

# The Grand Valley Ledger

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## Clarksville man is killed in one car crash

Larry J. Henderson, 23 of 176 West Cross Rd., Clarksville died at St. Marys Hospital following a one car crash last Thursday in Walker, Michigan. Henderson was a passenger in an auto driven by Mark Fritch, 25, of Grand Rapids, who is still listed as critical in Butterworth Hospital's surgical intensive care unit.

The accident occurred at 11:48 p.m. on Thursday,

February 28 as the Fritch vehicle was apparently traveling eastbound on I-96 at a high rate of speed when it left the roadway, jumped the guardrail and plunged about thirty feet from the overpass crossing US-131 to the road below.

Henderson was an Amway employee and had relatives in Lowell. Obituary information is listed in this issue.



### TIP-UP-TOWN SOUTH

If you're looking for something to do this weekend, you might want to visit Lake Odessa, Michigan, but make sure you wear your longhandles. The community is sponsoring their second annual "Jordan Lake Tip-Up-Town". A partial schedule of events includes dances Friday and Saturday nights at 9:00 in the Community Center, Breakfast at the V.F.W. at 6 a.m. both Saturday and Sunday, and events all day Saturday and Sunday on the ice that include snowmobile drag races, fishing contests, cross country skiing, ice skating races, and horse and sleigh rides. Sounds like fun!

### ANOTHER WEEKEND STORM

It looked as though we might get through a weekend without a major storm, until Sunday rolled around. More snowing, blowing and drifting resulting in a list of school closings for Monday as long as your arm. This time Lowell called classes too, having been able to get by the last two Mondays when schools all around us were closed. City crews worked late Sunday and into the wee hours of Monday keeping Lowell's streets open with most catching just a couple of hours sleep before getting back behind the wheel of a snowplow again Monday morning.

### COMMENDATION FOR ALBERT KERR

The Kent County Sheriff's Department has informed us of their commendation to Albert "Shorty" Kerr of 11931 Four Mile Rd., Lowell for "outstanding community service". The commendation came as the result of Kerr offering the unrestricted use of his home on Murray Lake to Sheriff's Department divers and other personnel for three days during recovery operations for the persons lost in the January 10 incident when four snowmobilers drowned. The commendation was signed by Sheriff Phil Heffron.

### WEATHER DOESN'T CLOSE NIGHT SCHOOL

When daytime classes are called off in the Lowell Area Schools, this does NOT mean that classes for night school are called off. At 4:00, if the weather is bad enough, a decision will be made. If classes are called off, it will be announced on the radio: stations WOOD, WLAV, WGRD, and WION. Please do not call the school as they will be busy notifying the staff.

## Pearl returns for '82

President of the Lowell Showboat Corporation Ray Quada and talent committee Chairman Chuck Lippert are very pleased to announce that Miss Pearl Bailey has been signed as the star of the 1982 Lowell Showboat. Miss Bailey appeared on the Showboat in 1977 to near capacity crowds for six nights grossing over \$100,000 in ticket sales, topping a previous high of \$56,000 and netting a solid \$20,000 in profits for Showboat. It was the best year for attendance and income in all of Showboat's fifty years. Miss Bailey thoroughly enjoyed her last engagement here and told people so during many appearances on national TV.

This is Showboat's 50th anniversary and a special, old fashioned, all amateur show and parade is being planned for Saturday, July 10 as a gala celebration. Miss Bailey's four night engagement begins on Wednesday July 14 and runs through Saturday and will feature some excellent support acts plus a revised format for the show. The Showboat Board of Directors is working on activities for Sunday, Monday and Tuesday such as a gospel show, an "Alive & Well" concert and other possibilities. It should be a festive week and great celebration of Showboat's Golden Anniversary.

This is the earliest booking that Showboat has ever had and that should be very helpful in booking bus tours. Brochures have been printed and available at That Special Place for those wishing information or who might be able to help distribute some in their travels around the state.

Showboat officials are hopeful for a profitable year after coming off a losing effort in 1981.

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The above photo is one autographed by Miss Bailey for Forrest "Bucky" Buck, a Showboat Endman who dates back to the earliest days of Lowell's now 50 year old tradition.

## House fire claims elderly couple

A house fire took the life of 78 year old Voldemars Poga and his 70 year old wife Ingeborga last Wednesday afternoon. The couple resi-

ded at their home at 11840 Sayles Road, Lowell with their daughter Skaidrite Poga and a friend Janis Kanel. Kanel and the daughter were away when the fire broke out.

The fire was first discovered when a driver, Jerry Hale of Lowell noticed smoke coming from the house. Hale stopped at the nearby William Nelson residence. Carolyn Gage at the Nelson residence called the Pogas and Mrs. Poga answered. Mrs. Poga asked Gage to call

the fire department and after doing so she went to the Poga home where she was forced back at the front door by dense smoke and heat.

Firefighting units from Lowell, Saranac, and Berlin-Orange responded but the house was engulfed in flames by the time they arrived. Mr. Poga was blind and fire officials speculate that Mrs. Poga may have been trying to reach him and was overcome by smoke.

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### Police receive

### emergency tool

It was announced at Monday's meeting of the Lowell City Council that the Lowell Police Department has just received a pneumatic chiseling tool to be used for extracting accident victims that have been "pinned in". The tool cost nearly \$300 and was a donation to the Police Department by Dr. Harold Myers of Lowell. The tool will be kept in the Lowell Police Rescue Van and will replace a saw that has been used but was potentially dangerous because of the sparks it created.

Mayor Dean Collins ordered that the city draft a letter of appreciation to Dr. Myers for his generous donation.

## New YMCA director



He's still unpacking boxes and buying Michigan license plates, but Lowell's new YMCA Director Jim Hodges says he'll be ready to roll up his sleeves and get to work

Monday. Jim, 31, has spent most of this week getting "moved in" from his previous Y position in Pittsburg. Jim, his wife Chris and two sons Jimmy, 3 and Ben, 1, will be residing at 416 Howard St., Lowell.

Jim has a wealth of YMCA experience serving as a Branch Director in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania; Senior Program Director in Schaumburg, Illinois and Youth Director in Port Huron, Michigan. Jim holds a B.A. in Applied Behavioral Science from George Williams College in Downers Grove, Illinois. Originally from Lansing, Jim graduated from J.W. Sexton High School there. In spite of all our snow, Jim says, "It's nice to be back in Michigan".

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# Obituaries

**BECHSTEIN** — Mrs. Florence S. Bechstein, aged 86, formerly of Tamarack NW., passed away Wednesday morning, Jan. 27, 1982. Surviving are her son, Jack G. Bechstein and his wife, Donna of Lowell; a daughter-in-law, Mildred Bechstein of Grand Rapids; several grandchildren; and great grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Ethel Johnson of Grand Rapids; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral and Committal Services were held Saturday at the Evangelical Covenant Church, 1933 Tremont NW., with Rev. Wesley Swanson and Rev. Walter Ribbe officiating. Interment Rosedale Memorial Park.

**BENSON** — Miss Vernice Mae Benson, of 10647 Baker Ave., Alto, died at the Osteopathic Hospital, Saturday, Jan. 30, 1982. Miss Benson was born July 9, 1907 in Dunningville, MI. The daughter of Samuel and Hatie Benson. She had taught school for 42 years, retiring in 1973 and was a member of the Retired Teacher's Assoc. Surviving are three sisters and five brothers, Mrs. Marguerite Hale, Mrs. Daisy

Conklin, Lloyd, Lawrence, Donald and Robert Benson all of Allegan, Mrs. Marian Batty of Fennville, and Sam of Pullman; several nieces and nephews. Services will be held Wednesday 2 p.m. at the Allegan Chapel, Gordon Funeral Residence, Rev. Paul Ray officiating. Graveside Services 4 p.m. Wednesday in Freeport Cemetery, Freeport, Mich.

**DANCER** — Florence Dancer, aged 73, of Lowell, passed away Thursday, Jan. 28, 1982 at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Edward; a daughter, Mrs. Harold (Jacquelyn) Brooks of Ft. Wayne, Ind.; grandchildren, Gay Elaine Canough of South Bend, Ind., Wendy Pamela Lee of Amber, Germany, Sheila Eileen Canough of Ft. Wayne, Ind., Benjamin and Jeffrey Brooks of Ft. Wayne, Ind., and great grandchildren, Roger and Shellan of Amber, Germany; four brothers and four sisters; many nieces and nephews; and also many friends. Funeral and Committal Services were Saturday at the Roth-Gerst Fun-

eral Home, Lowell, with Rev. Allen Wittrop of the Snow United Methodist Church officiating. Interment Chubbick Cemetery, Kent City.

**GARDNER** — Doris C. Gardner (nee Coles) aged 83, of Lowell, passed away January 29, 1982 at her home. Surviving are her husband, Stanley; her daughters, Charlene Geiger of Detroit and Marylou Gooze of Westland, MI; a brother, Stanley Coles of Greenville; a sister, Mrs. John (Irma) Pasanen of Lowell; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren; also several nieces and nephews. Mrs. Gardner was a long time member of the First United Methodist Church and held several positions of leadership in the Womens Organization of the church. She also was a member and past President of the Lowell Womens Club. Funeral Services were Monday at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell, with Rev. Gerald R. Bates of the First United Methodist Church officiating.

**GRUCHOWALSKI** — Cecelia Gruchowski, aged 88,

of 1864 Buttrick, Ada, passed away Sunday. She is survived by her children, Aloysius and Ethelyn, George and Beth all of Ada, Mrs. Fred (Dorothy) Newbecker of Cascade, Mrs. Chester (Bernice) Lozicki of Ada, Albert of Ada brother, Walter Gaca of Dorr; sisters, Anna Dasgalos of Detroit, Helen Markus of Grand Rapids, Verna Higbee of Grand Rapids, Sophie Beurkens of Grand Rapids; 25 grandchildren, seven great grandchildren, also two great great grandchildren. The Funeral Mass will be said Wednesday 10 a.m. at St. Robert of Newminster Church, Interment St. Mary's Cemetery, Lowell. Memorials may be made to the Lincoln School.

**HALE** — Arthur B. Hale, aged 91, of Hastings, formerly of Grand Rapids, passed away Monday, February 1, 1982. He was a retired assembler at Kelvinator. Surviving are three sons, Arthur E. Hale of Wyoming, Homer D. Hale of AZ, Kenneth J. Hale of Lowell; four daughters, Mrs. Ethel Radaz of Wyoming, Mrs. Robert (Eleanor) Uhlman of Dundin, FL, Mrs. Eugene (Donna) Kissinger of Lakeland, FL, Mrs. Paul (Betty) Campbell of Port Richey, FL; 16 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; a brother, Hibbard of Kentwood. Funeral arrangements will be announced later by the Vanderpool-Stegenga Funeral Chapel, 3131 S. Division.

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Robert (Dolores) Walenga; nine grandchildren; 23 great grandchildren; one great-great granddaughter; a sister, Helen Urbanski and several nieces and nephews. She was a member of St. Isidore Altar Rosary Society. The Funeral Mass was celebrated Monday in St. Isidore Church, Interment Holy Cross Cemetery.

**WYN** — Ronald Dale Wyn, aged 50, of 6606 Buttrick, Alto, passed away Thursday. He is survived by his wife, Gloria; parents, Henry and Cora Wyn of Grand Rapids; children, Mark of New York, Melissa Wyn of St. Louis, MO, Melissa, Chad and Jessica Creasey at home; brother, Joel Wyn of Casnovia; two sisters, Mrs. Elroy (Maizie) Richardson of White Cloud, Mrs. Donald (Yvonne) Harley of Grand Rapids. The Funeral Service was held Monday at the O'Brien-Gerst Funeral Home, 3980 Cascade Rd. SE, Rev. Seymour Vanduyken of East Congregational Church officiating. Interment Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.

## Jump rope for heart

The Michigan Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (MAHPERD) presented the Michigan Heart Association with net proceeds from its Jump Rope for Heart event totaling \$126,000 and hopes to be able to top that amount in 1982.

MAHPERD developed the event to encourage students to develop lifelong cardiovascular fitness habits, which is also one of the goals of the Heart Association. Last year's event involved 9,600 students from 110 elementary, middle, senior high schools and colleges from throughout the state. To date, this year 51 schools have registered to participate in the event.

Schools will be conducting the Jump Rope for Heart during February and March. During the event each student jumps as part of a six-person team and each member will jump until tiring, then pass the rope to another team member.

Funds from the event will help the Michigan Heart Association continue to provide free information on how to begin a good cardiovascular fitness program.

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### Paul Miller wins Scholarship

Paul Miller of Lowell has won a college tuition assistance grant from the Michigan Road Builders Association.

The scholarship will help the Michigan Technological University student complete his studies in civil engineering.

"The scholarship program was instituted as an incentive for students pursuing careers in civil engineering," says Lawrence Martin, executive director of the MRBA. "There is a growing need for trained engineers to develop, maintain, and improve our roads, streets, and bridges. Providing financial assistance to students selected under the scholarship program is one way the MRBA can encourage careers in civil engineering."

MRBA began this scholarship program in 1979. Students are selected from the state's six engineering schools; University of Michigan, Michigan State University,



Paul Miller

Lawrence Institute of Technology, Wayne State University, University of Detroit, and Michigan Technological University. Grants totaled \$15,000.

Miller, who will graduate this spring with a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering, is specializing in transportation and water resource.

Last summer and fall he worked for the Michigan Department of Transportation doing maintenance, inspection and surveying.

This is the second successive year that he has won an MRBA scholarship.

The Michigan Road Builders Association serves 400 road, bridge, tunnel and

airport construction contractors throughout the state.

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## HOMESPUN DEVOTIONS

by Pauline E. Spray



Let the words of my mouth ... be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord ... (Psalm 19:14).

A mother reprimanded her little daughter by putting her in the clothes closet. At first there was a big commotion. After it subsided the mother decided she had better investigate. "What have you been doing?" she asked.

"I've been 'pittin' the child replied. "I 'pit on your coat, I 'pit on your dress, I 'pit on your suit, I 'pit on Daddy's suit."

"What are you doing now?"

"I'm waiting for some more 'pit."

There are more ways than one to "pit" on others. We can "pit" on them through attitudes and words.

The tongue is a small member of the body, but it has great potential. It can give happiness or sorrow. It

can administer healing balm, or it can send bullets which wound and destroy.

With the tongue one can curse God and one's fellowmen. Or, with his tongue an individual can glorify his Heavenly Father and invoke His blessings upon others.

It pays to watch our words. Are they "bullets of blessings"?

Prayer: Dear Lord, Thou hast put within my power the ability to bless or blame, to defend or to destroy, to hurt or to heal. Enable me to speak those words which will glorify Thee and benefit my fellowmen. Amen.

Some words, like speeding bullets, May wound, or sometimes slay;

And some are healing potions That drive despair away. AUTHOR UNKNOWN

Malted milk was invented in 1882 or 1883 in Racine, Wisconsin, and was originally called "Diastoid."

### Julissa Grooters in D.C.

Fifteen Western Michigan University students are spending the winter semester in Washington D.C. as participants in the "Semester in Washington" program sponsored by the WMU Honors College.

The students will be in the nation's capital until mid-April. They will receive 16 hours of credit for taking part in the program. Each has been assigned to an internship and also will take part in an independent study project and receive credit for two courses. "The Public Policy

Making Process" and "Washington — A National Center for the Arts."

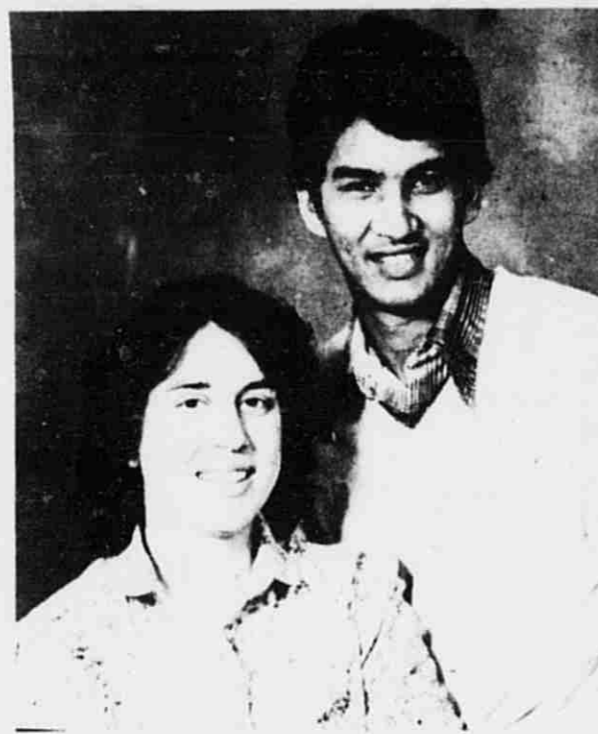
While in Washington the students are being involved in an intensive study of the process of policy making and implementation in the federal government. In addition to their academic activities, students are expected to attend two cultural activities per week.

Julissa Grooters, of 3530 Snow Avenue, Lowell will be assigned to Senator Carl Levin of Michigan. Julissa is a sophomore at WMU.

### May wedding plans

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Wittenbach of Lowell announce the engagement of their

daughter, Kathleen Joy, to Andy Girwornauth of Grand Rapids. He is the son of Mr.



Kathleen Wittenbach and Andy Girwornauth

and Mrs. Girwornauth Haradall of New York City. The couple plans a May 29, 1982 wedding.

Kathleen is a graduate of the Grand Rapids School of the Bible and Music and Grace College. Andy attended Grand Rapids Junior College and is employed at Westing Company. Kathleen is a self-employed piano teacher in Lowell.

# Coming Events

**FEBRUARY:** Tickets now available for "Don't Drink the Water", a comedy by Woody Allen, sponsored by the Lowell Area Arts Council. \$2.00 (at door) February 18. By reservation February 19, 20, 25, 26, 27 at \$3.00 and \$4.00. Call 897-8545 or at That Special Place, 215 W. Main.

**SAT. FEB. 3:** The John Ball Park Community Assoc. is sponsoring a Sweetheart Swirl Dance (a Valentine party with music from the 50s and 60s). It will take place at the Westside Complex, 215 Straight NW on Saturday, Feb. 13 from 8 p.m. till midnight. Prizes for the best 50s outfit, contests, 50/50 raffle, TV door prize along with a good time. Cash bar, \$1.00 admission at the door. For more information or advance tickets please call the JBPCA at 451-3121.

**MON. FEB. 8:** Lowell Showboat Garden Club meeting at the home of Mrs. Harold Lind, 418 N. Hudson at 7:30 p.m. Speaker — Mr. James Shook. Subject — "Iris". Hostess and cohostess: Mrs. Clark Fletcher and Mrs. Emerson Stevens.

**SAT., FEB. 6:** The Kent County Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer a "Babysitting" class for young people ages 11 to 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The class will be held at the Red Cross chapter building at 1050 Fuller, N.E. Red Cross certificates will be issued to students upon completion of the course. The fee for the course materials is \$1.00, and is payable at the door.

To register, call Red Cross Nursing and Health Services, a United Way service, at 456-8661.

**TUES. FEB. 9:** The regular meeting of the Lowell Masonic Lodge will be held at 7:30 p.m. E. A. Degree. All Masons are welcome.

## Letters...

**EDITOR**  
If you are still interested in readers' answers to the survey of last week; here are my ideas:

I feel that 1/2 of the Daley money should go to the Lowell Area Schools. The other 1/2 of the money could go to the senior center. Maybe they could buy a van to pick up people. They are having a hard time getting people to doctors appointments, etc. and are depending on volunteer help.

Crystal Wilbur  
13080 Four Mile Rd. N.E.

parking lot was going to pieces. It needs some thoughtful, loving care.

For the beautiful building itself as well as the tremendous organizations it houses, I urge that this building be properly rejuvenated and kept that way.

In closing I want to say that I miss Lowell very much. Since moving, so many of my friends there have gone; three in my block alone. First my good neighbor and friend Budd Bishop, then

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This month's speaker will be Walt Corneil on "Substance Abuse — It's Effect on Your Business." All interested are welcome!

**COM. EV.**  
**WED. FEB. 10:** The Lowell Women's Club will meet at 1:00 p.m. at Schneider Manor with Maida Rose as sponsor. Ethel Anne Rivette will give a mini-report on Michigan History and Edna Martin will present the program, "Drug Rehabilitation Program for Teens."

**TUES. FEB. 16:** Lowell Masonic Lodge will confer the EA Degree. Lodge opens at 7:30 p.m. All Masons are welcome.

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### HOT LUNCH MENU WEEK OF FEBRUARY 8, 1982

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- TUESDAY:** Cheeseburgers or hamburgers, lettuce salad w/dressing, steamed corn, choice of fruit crisp, fruit or pudding, milk.
- WEDNESDAY:** Hot roast pork sandwich, w/mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, jello w/whip or fruit, milk.
- THURSDAY:** Tacos w/meat, cheese and lettuce, jonny cake w/syrup, buttered veggies, assorted fruits or jello, milk.
- FRIDAY:** Macaroni and cheese or ravioli, garden peas or salad, raisin rolls or bread, chocolate pudding or fruit, milk.

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<p><b>SARANAC COMMUNITY CHURCH</b> (United Church of Christ) 125 Bridge St. Saranac, MI DIAL-A-PRAYER • 642-9659 Morning Worship 10:30 A.M. Sunday School 11:15 A.M. THE REV. EDWIN MENDENHALL 642-6322</p>	<p><b>ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> 402 N. Armit FR. THOMAS SCHILLER PASTOR NEW HOURS Saturday Mass 5:30 P.M. Sunday Mass 9 &amp; 11 A.M.</p>	<p><b>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 2287 Segwun, S.E. Lowell, Michigan Service 9:00 A.M. Sunday School 10:15 A.M. KENNETH MUELLER, PASTOR Ron Moykynen, Elder 897-9551</p>	<p><b>REORGANIZED CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS</b> 8146 68th St. S.E. Alto, MI HIGH PRIEST DIRK VENEMA 868-6292 Church School 9:45 A.M. Worship Service 11:00 A.M. Midweek Prayer Service 7:30 P.M. Evening Worship Service 7:00 P.M.</p>
<p><b>TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCA)</b> REV. Dr. James G. Cobb, Pastor Ronald McCallum, Seminary Intern 2700 E. Fulton Worship Service 8:30 &amp; 10:45 A.M. Sunday Church School 9:30 A.M. Nursery Provided - Barrier Free</p>	<p><b>VERGENNES UNITED METHODIST</b> Corner Parnell &amp; Bailey drive Worship Service 10:00 A.M. Coffee Hour 11:00 A.M. Church School 11:15 A.M. DR. STANLEY H. FORKNER Ph. 531-7942 "Little White Church On The Corner"</p>	<p><b>YMCA outings</b> The Lowell Family Y is planning two family outings for February. On February 6th a cross-country ski outing will take place at Deer Run Country Club from 2:00 — 4:00 p.m. Group rates of \$3.00 if 20 or more people register. Other groups pay \$4.00 or \$1.00 with own skis. Call 897-8445 to register. On February 13th there will be a Family Ice Skating Party at Richards Park in Lowell from 1:00 — 3:00 p.m.</p>	

## ATTEND SERVICES

## In the service

Second Lt. Stephen J. Simmerer, son of Carl N. Simmerer of 2148 Darwin S.E., Grand Rapids, and Catherine M. Simmerer of 9560 36th St., Lowell, has arrived for duty at a post in Darmstadt, West Germany.

Simmerer, a combat engineer platoon leader with the 130th Engineer Brigade, was previously assigned at Fort Belvoir, Va.

He is a 1977 graduate of Lowell High School.

**Off the blotter**

Lowell officers investigated 11 accident complaints in the month of January including one injury accident.

Lowell Rescue responded to 3 runs during January.

Patricia Fonger of Lowell skidded on icy pavement and struck a parked vehicle Friday the 22nd on M-21 near Riverside Drive, resulting in property damage only.

Kent County Sheriff's Department deputies arrested Marcus Kline north of Lowell Friday morning on charges of being a disorderly person. He was lodged in the Kent County jail until arraigned later that morning.

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**Births**

**Kiss your baby week**

The Lowell Area Jaycettes are providing information to promote National Kiss Your Baby Week, February 7-14. There will be posters and informational pamphlets in area doctors' offices and local stores to remind you to perform this pleasant but life saving act.

Cystic Fibrosis is discovered through detecting a salty taste left on the baby's skin. This early detection method and early treatment is important to lessen the lung damage and improve digestion.

The Jaycettes encourage you to Kiss Your Baby and if your child's skin tastes salty, please contact your physician.

**Acheson to attend School**

Howard R. Acheson, Jr., secretary of Lowell Moose Lodge 809, will attend the Moose Administration School to be held at the

Holiday Inn in North Aurora, Ill. on February 13 and 14. Serving as instructors will be the Staff of the Supreme Secretary's Office. Purpose

of the school is to better acquaint secretaries with their duties and responsibilities.



Rye flour is usually richer in protein than white wheat flour.

Patricia joins two sisters, Angela and Teresa.

Jim and Melonie Kimble of Lowell are the proud parents of a baby girl, Mindy

**License plate tabs**

This year when you purchase license plate tabs from the Department of State, you must include a proof of insurance certificate with your prepared application and personal check.

This is a new law enacted by the Michigan legislature in 1981.

Your insurance company will furnish two copies of a certificate of insurance. One

Bea, born January 27 weighing 8 lbs. 6 oz. A brother, Lee James, welcomes her home along with grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Versil Swift of Ionia and Mrs. and Mrs. Richard Finner of Lowell.

should be sent to the Department with your mail application for plates or tabs. The other should be carried in your car with your vehicle registration.

In addition to a drivers license and vehicle registration, you are now required by law to show proof of insurance on your vehicle if you are stopped by a law enforcement officer.

**Arts council sponsors concert**

The Lowell Area Arts Council will sponsor a concert by the 63-voice Choir and Chorale from the Interlochen Arts Academy on February 9, 1982 at 9:30 a.m. in the Lowell Middle School Cafeteria. This Lowell appearance by these young singers is part of their four-day Michigan tour which is supported through a grant from the Michigan Council for the Arts.

The Choir is composed of high-school students who come from as far away as Zambia and Saudi Arabia to attend academic classes and study music at Interlochen's fine arts boarding high school, 15 miles southwest of Traverse City. The Chorale, a select group of nineteen voices chosen from the Choir, will share the concert with the members of the larger ensemble.

Both choral groups are conducted by Interlochen's director of choral activities, Craig Dieterich. In his second year at Interlochen Arts



Craig Dieterich, Conductor

Academy, Dieterich has taught previously at Cleveland Heights High School, Grosse Pointe South High School and Port Huron Northern High School.

During their four-day tour, the singers will present concerts in Cadillac, Grand Rapids, Ypsilanti, Detroit, Dearborn, and Howell, Michigan. The tour repertoire includes a variety of sacred and secular choral works ranging from P.D.Q. Bach's humorous "The Art of the Ground Round" to William L. Dawson's religious "Ezekiel Saw De Wheel".

Students in the Choir and Chorale are among nearly 400 high-school-aged students who came from all over the world to study arts and academics at Interlochen Arts Academy from September through May. The Academy is part of Interlochen Center for the Arts which also includes the summer-time National Music Camp and the fine arts public radio station, WIAA-FM at 88.3 on the dial.

For more information regarding the Choir/Chorale concert contact Mrs. Hanni Driedger at (616) 897-5050.



The first annual dog show in America was held in 1877 at Gilmore's Garden in New York, sponsored by the Westminster Kennel Club.

**LETTER POLICY**

The Ledger invites readers to express their feelings on topics of general interest in letters to the editor.

Letters should be no longer than 600 words and typed double space if possible. They should be addressed to The Editor, Box 128, 105 N. Broadway, Lowell, MI 49331. All letters must be signed by the author.

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**Lowell State Savings Bank  
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of Lowell, Michigan, And Foreign and Domestic Subsidiaries, at the close of business December 31, 1981, a state banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

		Dollar Amount in Thousands	
		Mill	Thou
Assets	1. Cash and due from depository institutions (From Schedule C, item 6)	2,761	2.
	2. U.S. Treasury securities	1,912	3.
	3. Obligations of other U.S. Government agencies and corporations	1,197	4.
	4. Obligations of States and political subdivisions in the United States (From Schedule B, item 2, Column E)	6,031	5.
	5. All other securities	60	6.
	6. Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	3,900	7.a.
	7. a. Loans, Total (excluding unearned income) (From Schedule A, item 10)	23,004	7.b.
	b. Less: Allowance for possible loan losses	173	7.c.
	c. Loans, Net	22,831	8.
	8. Lease financing receivables	None	9.
	9. Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises	462	10.
	10. Real estate owned other than bank premises	None	11.
11. All other assets (From Schedule G, item 3)	485	12.	
12. TOTAL ASSETS (sum of items 1 thru 11)	39,639	13.	
Liabilities	13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations (From Schedule F, item 1, Column A)	4,613	14.
	14. Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations (From Schedule F, item 1, Columns B & C)	27,753	15.
	15. Deposits of United States Government (From Schedule F, item 2, Columns A & B & C)	2	16.
	16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions in the United States (From Schedule F, item 3, Columns A & B & C)	2,194	17.
	17. All other deposits (From Schedule F, item 4, Columns A & B & C)	None	18.
	18. Certified and officers' checks (From Schedule F, item 5, Column A)	261	19.
	19. Total Deposits (sum of items 13 thru 18)	34,823	19.a.
	a. Total demand deposits (From Schedule F, item 6, Column A)	5,484	19.b.
	b. Total time and savings deposits (From Schedule F, item 6, Columns B & C)	29,339	20.
	20. Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	550	21.
	21. Interest-bearing demand notes (note balances) issued to the U.S. Treasury and other liabilities for borrowed money	446	22.
	22. Mortgage indebtedness and liability for capitalized leases	None	23.
23. All other liabilities (From Schedule H, item 3)	378	24.	
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES (excluding subordinated notes and debentures) (sum of items 19 thru 23)	36,197	25.	
25. Subordinated notes and debentures	None	26.	
Equity Capital	26. Preferred stock	None	(par value)
	27. Common Stock	75,000	5.00 (par value)
	a. No. shares outstanding	75,000	375
	b. No. shares authorized	75,000	375
28. Surplus	1,825	28.	
29. Undivided profits and reserve for contingencies and other capital reserves	1,242	29.	
30. TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL (sum of items 26 thru 29)	3,442	30.	
31. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CAPITAL (sum of items 24, 25 and 30)	39,639	31.	
Memoranda	1. Amounts outstanding as of report date:		Memo
	a. Standby letters of credit, total	None	1.a.
	b. Time certificates of deposit in denominations of \$100,000 or more	2,895	1.b.
	c. Other time deposits in amounts of \$100,000 or more	None	1.c.
2. Average for 30 calendar days (or calendar month) ending with report date:		2.a.	
a. Total deposits (corresponds to item 19 above)	34,186		

I, Robert J. Elzinga, Executive Vice President of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this report of condition has been prepared in conformance with the instructions issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the State Banking Authority and is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

*Robert J. Elzinga*  
Signature of officer authorized to sign report

We, the undersigned directors, attest the correctness of this report of condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with the instructions issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the State Banking Authority and is true and correct.

H. J. Englehardt }  
Herbert Elzinga } Directors  
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State of Michigan County of Kent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th

day of January, 1982

*Vivonne Gausman*  
Vivonne Gausman  
My commission expires 1/12/83



**cozy  
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By Roger Brown

You'll notice in the above photo an old, down trodden, beat up, seen-better-days, weary looking typewriter. Oh sure, some of those adjectives apply to me too, that's probably why I like my old typewriter so much.

That old typewriter is the one I keep at home and drag out every Tuesday to write this drivel with. It was at the Ledger when I bought the place, and was probably there when Carol Sebastian bought it, when Fran Smith bought it, and possibly even when R.G. Jefferies bought it way back in 1930. I doubt however, that it dates back to 1893 when the Ledger was started. Almost nothing is that old; nothing that still works anyway.

It's a Remington Rand office model and has the number 16 in two places on the front, so I presume it's a model 16. My old "Sweet Sixteen". She has big keys with metal rims around them so my fingers don't slip off and they're spaced far enough apart so I'm not hitting two or three keys at once with my Frankenstein-like fingers. She's been used so hard and so long that I can pound on her as hard as I want and nothing will break; all the breakable parts are already broken. She's a great typewriter alright.

No, I haven't gone crazy, I can write about my typewriter if I want to. I got the idea for this column from a magazine I was thumbing through the other day while waiting for my wife to come out from a demonstration on a new word-processor. The fact that she was looking at a word processor is only a coincidence and I would never try to compare "Sweet Sixteen" to one of those new computerized gadgets. That would be like comparing the space shuttle to a paper airplane.

The magazine had an article about a multi-millionaire newspaper tycoon that amounted to a study of one of his typically hectic days. It had a lot of pictures and started with him jogging along the beach at his Florida home, swimming in his indoor pool, kissing his young wife goodbye just before taking a chauffeured limousine to the office. The first picture that really caught my eye was one of him typing notes to schedule his day. He was pounding away on an old beat up looking typewriter like "Sweet Sixteen". A few more pictures and there he was typing away on a 1927 Royal portable balanced on his lap while flying in his plush business jet to Washington D.C.

I skimmed through the article trying to find out more about his apparent love for old typewriters and discovered that he had a dozen or so of these old gems stashed in different offices around the country. What I didn't find out was why. Terese came out of the demonstration before I could get all the way through the article, and if it did tell why he liked his old typewriters, I didn't get to it. But, I have a theory. I think pounding away on an old typewriter is good mental therapy, just like some people enjoy sewing, mowing grass, chopping wood, fishing, etc., etc. It doesn't matter what you type, just pound away, and that's how I get through this column every week.

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**Bank earnings**

Independent Bank Corporation, an Ionia-based bank holding company has reported improved earnings from operations for the fourth quarter of 1981 as well as for the full year.

For the fourth quarter, 1981, Income Before Securities Transactions was \$411,000, up 15.4 percent from the \$356,000 earned during the same three months 1980.

Income Before Securities Transactions was \$1,288,000 for all of 1981. This is a 10.8 percent improvement over 1980 Operating Income of \$1,162,000.

As a result of the corporation's ongoing program of upgrading securities portfolios as market conditions change, Net Income in the fourth quarter was \$383,000, compared with \$295,000 in the same period last year. Full year Net Income was \$827,000. The 1980 figure was \$949,000.

Loren C. Adgate, president and chief executive officer, explained, "Our improvement in operating results reflects the acquisition of Peoples Bank of Leslie in February and the results of our program to improve the yields on our investment portfolios. Considering the poor economic environment in which we had to operate all year, we think that we have every reason to be pleased with our results."

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### Cub Scout Pack 3188



PACK 3188:

Front Row Left to Right: D. Wissman, N. Wissman, T. Alderink, B. Bergy, K. Carpenter, G. Ruizenga, Harig, R. Klitz, N. Robertson, J. VanStee, E. Carroll, G. Krul, A. Schaffer, W. Free, J. Heaven, B. Klitz, M. Mull, N. Maloley, G. Pecor.

Second Row Left to Right: B. Nurbury, K. Hall, S. Maloley, S. Gray, E. Drougal, B. Chaterdon, B. Peters, D. Richardson, C. Shimmel, K. VanderWerff; R. Burnas, K. Fox, B. Rogers, J. Rupp, D. Wilcox, C. Towers, M. Gorecki, S. Martin.

Third Row Left to Right: B. Belmers, S. DeWitt, D. Engle, T. Anderson, J. Speerstra, J. Borton, B. Napieralaki, B. Baughn, T. Bailey, C. Pelon, J. McPeck, J. Saboo, J. Ryan, J. Belmers, K. Hullberger, D. Brooks, S. Morse.

Fourth Row Left to Right: J. Peters, N. Richardson, B. Rogers, M. Hullberger, F. Wissman, D. Carpenter, R. Robertson, P. Krul, M. Tower, R. Starkweather, D. Belmers, T. Speerstra, D. Rogers.

Cub Scout Pack 3188 consists of 8, 9, and 10 year olds. When the boys first joined the pack they had to earn the rank of Bobcat. Then the 8 year old boys study to earn the Wolf badge. At 9 years old they begin work to earn the Bear badge. At age 10, they are allowed to become members of the Webelos den. Between the different ranks they work for gold and silver arrow points. Each boy can earn 10 arrow points for each rank.

When Cub Scouts reach the age of 11, they go into Boy Scouts. There they achieve different ranks, the highest being Eagle Scout.

The boys meet each week at the den leader's home or in the Lowell United Methodist Church, the charter institution of the pack.

During the year the Cub Scouts have a lot of fun and learn to be better citizens of the community. All of the boys are proud to belong to the scouting family.

### Scouting anniversary week

Members of the West Michigan Shores Council, Boy Scouts of America, will wear uniforms to religious services on Scout Sabbath and Scout Sunday as part of the activities commemorating Scouting Anniversary Week in February.

Scout Sabbath will be observed on Saturday, February 6, and Scout Sunday will be observed on Sunday, February 7. Scouting Anniversary Week, February 7-13, will celebrate the 72nd year of the Boy Scouts of America with a number of special activities throughout the council. The theme for this year's celebration is "The Better Life... Through Conservation."

"Wearing the Cub Scout and Boy Scout uniforms to local synagogues and churches calls attention to a significant part of both the Cub Scout Promise and the Scout Oath," said Paul Bongiovanni, Public Relations Director. "This reflects Scouting's strong commitment to a boy's religious duties. It is also important that the twelfth point of the Scout Law is that a Scout is reverent."

Information on other council activities planned during Scouting Anniversary Week is available from the council service center 1935 Monroe Ave., Grand Rapids, MI 49505-6295; 616-363-3828.

### Mozart on Fifth performs

A versatile and extraordinary trio known as "Mozart on Fifth" will perform at Aquinas College on Friday, February 5, 1982 at 8:00 p.m. in the Wege Student Center Auditorium. The trio's performance will be part of the College's 1981-82 Black Tie Series.

Clarinetists Richard "Bud" Goldfarb and Dan "Cash" Kelley, along with bassoonist Ronald Grun, comprise Mozart on Fifth. Their mixture of classical and ragtime music ranges from Mozart to Glenn Miller to Scott Joplin. They describe themselves as "Three bums redeemed by music".

Mozart on Fifth dates back to 1976 when the trio, dressed in velvet brocade 18th Century costume, performed up and down Fifth Avenue in New York City. It was not until a visit to Mardi Gras in 1978 that the act got rolling. There they found agent Bill Fegan which led to bookings across the country.

The trio has since produced an album, Redeemed By Music, and continues to perform on streets, at fairs and art shows, in parks, bandshells, libraries, auditoriums, gymnasiums, and concert halls.

Ticket prices for the Mozart on Fifth concert at Aquinas College are \$2.50 for students; \$4.00 for faculty, staff and administration; and \$6.50 for the general public.

## Area Sports

### Lowell triumphs over Coopersville Wrestlers conquered Cedar Springs



Lowell Red Arrow's #32, Phillip Beachler, jumps for 2 more points to give him a total of 18 points against Coopersville last Friday night.

Photo by Jeremy Barber

### Kalamazoo College study program

Overseas destinations await 75 Kalamazoo College students participating in the College's Foreign Study Program. The students will live with host-country families while studying in France, Germany or Spain during the spring quarter.

Foreign study is a standard curricular feature of the four-year Kalamazoo Plan, and nearly 85 percent of the College's students study abroad before graduation. As of Spring, 1981, more than 4,800 students will have studied in 32 countries since 1958. The distinctive program is designed to accommodate a variety of student needs, abilities, interests, and levels of foreign language proficiency. The difference between program charges to students and the actual costs is provided by the S.R. Light Trust Fund, which forms a solid financial base for the program. Thus, Kalamazoo College students pay little more than the usual on-campus fees for studying abroad, enabling a large number to go overseas who would otherwise be unable to afford the experience.

Participating in this program from this area is Clifford Mulder, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Mulder of 9494 Bailey Drive, Ada. Clifford will study in Hannover, Germany.

The Lowell Red Arrows survived a ragged first half last Friday night to bounce back and defeat the Bronco's of Coopersville 50-49. The victory left Lowell with a 5-2 mark in the league and sets up a showdown next Friday against league leader Lakewood.

Lowell trailed by as many as 14 points in the first half. Coopersville hit 57 percent of their shots to take a 30-20 lead at halftime.

In the second half Lowell started to take the ball to the basket a lot better. They tightened up their defense and started rebounding. Phil Beachler hit an eight foot jump shot with 3:23 remaining in the game to put Lowell up 43-42. Greg Malone followed with two key free throws to increase the lead 45-42. Coopersville narrowed the gap back to one point several times in the last minute of the game, but could never get the lead again.

Phillip Beachler led Lowell with 18 points and Greg Malone had 16.

The Red Arrows shot down the Red Hawks last Thursday night when the wrestlers conquered Cedar Springs by the amazing victory of 37 to 28, the score was tied 25-25 after the 10th match when Mark Kloosterman gained a pin. Thanks to the superb jobs by Steve Martinez and Greg Durkee, the Arrows were able to shoot ahead. Kevin Hurt, Steve Martinez, Mark Kloosterman, and Greg Durkee all earned pins. Randy Roth won 13-4, and Mark Wilcox 5-0. Troy Hall won by a forfeit. The team is now placed 2nd in the conference league.

Saturday the Lowell wrestling team traveled to Wyoming for a six team dual meet. Each team wrestled four other teams. Lowell beat Wyoming Park by the great score of 45-27. Troy Hall, Randy Roth, Tim Stepek, Steve Martinez, Mark Kloosterman and Ken Hall were the ones who obtained pins for the team. Kurt Blasher won 8-3 and Keith Stanford received a forfeit. After that the team crushed Forest Hills Central 49-21. Troy Hall, Hurt, Roth, Blasher, Wilcox, and Ken Hall gained pins. Stepek won 13-11, and Martinez won 12-2. Durkee won by a forfeit. The Zeeland Chix beat The Arrows 52-12. Jerry Adams and Randy Roth achieved pins in that match. Lowell was defeated by Grandville 42-24. It was tied 24-24 before the last three matches. Those pinning for Lowell were Troy Hall, Kevin Hurt, and Mark Wilcox. Adams won 9-6 and Roth won by the decision of 9-4. The team will travel to Greenville for a match on Thursday.



**FISHING INFORMATION**  
Winter storm conditions have again kept winter angling activity to a bare minimum as in past weeks. Only the very hardy souls have braved the bitter cold and extreme wind conditions to venture forth. In the western counties along Lake Michigan, foot travel on frozen lakes is nearly impossible because of deep snow. Freezing rain early last week-end made a light crust which supports the body only part of the time which makes walking extremely difficult.

Panfishing on inland lakes has been at a standstill. Perch are biting on Pigeon Lake, Ottawa County, and Muskegon Lake, Muskegon County. Muskegon Lake is yielding some catches of northern pike and walleyes on the east shore. Perch are doing best on the southwest side near the sand docks.

**HUNTING INFORMATION**  
The cold and snowy weather that has hit the state the past two weeks has wildlife biologists concerned. Due to a poor acorn crop, an extended period of severe weather could seriously affect deer and turkey populations. November and December were unseasonably mild with little snow which brought the state's wildlife into the winter in excellent condition. The key to wildlife survival the rest of the winter is snow depths and the date of spring break-up.

Bird feeders should be kept well supplied the next couple of months when birds need it the most.

## GRATTAN TOWNSHIP NOTICE

### ORDINANCE NO. 82-1 AMENDMENT TO SANITARY SEWER ORDINANCE

At a monthly meeting of the Township board of the Township of Grattan, Kent County, Michigan, held in the Township Hall in said Township on the 11th day of January, 1982 at 8:00 P.M.

Present: Lamoreaux, Malone, Siowinski, Byrne, and Maidens  
Absent: None

It was moved by Pat Malone and seconded by Mart Byrne that the attached Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 78-3, ADOPTED FEBRUARY 13, 1978, known as THE GRATTAN TOWNSHIP SANITARY SEWER ORDINANCE be adopted.  
Yeas: 5  
Nays: 0

The Supervisor declared the Ordinance adopted. The following is Ordinance No. 82-1 as adopted.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 82-1

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 78-3 adopted February 13, 1978, known as the Township Sanitary Sewer Ordinance.

The Township of Grattan ordains: Section 1.01. That Section 4.06 be added to the Grattan Township Sanitary Sewer Ordinance as follows:

Section 4.06. The owner or owners of a single-family residence in which residence said owner or owners reside and upon which charges have been imposed may submit a hardship application to the Township seeking a deferment in the partial or total payment of the charges provided for herein based upon a showing of financial hardship, subject to and in accordance with the following:

(a) The owners of the premises shall, under oath, complete a hardship application provided by the Township Board and file said application, together with all other information and documentation reasonably required by the Township, with the Township Board not less than sixty (60) days prior to the due date of such charge. An application shall be completed and filed by each and every legal and equitable interest holder in the premises, excepting financial institutions having security interests in the premises.

(b) Hardship applications shall be reviewed by the Township Board, and after due deliberation of hardship applications, the Township board shall determine in each case whether there has been an adequate showing of financial hardship, and shall forthwith notify the applicants of said determination.

(c) An applicant aggrieved by the determination of the Township board may request the opportunity to appear before the Township Board in person for the purpose of showing hardship and presenting any argument of additional evidence. A denial of hardship following such a personal appearance before the Township Board shall be final and conclusive.

(d) In the event that the Township board makes a finding of hardship, the Township Board shall fix the amount of partial or total deferment of the charge so imposed, and in so doing, shall require an annual filing of financial status by each applicant, providing that upon a material change of financial status of an applicant said applicant shall immediately notify the Clerk of the Township so that a further review of the matter may be made by the Township board, and provided further that the duration of the deferment granted shall be self-terminating upon the occurrence of any one of the following events:

- (1) A change in the financial status of any applicant which removes the basis for financial hardship.
- (2) A conveyance of any interest in the premises by any of the applicants, including the execution of a new security interest in the premise or extension thereof.
- (3) A death of any of the applicants.
- (e) Upon a determination of the Township Board deferring all or part of the Charges imposed, the owners of the premises shall, within one (1) month after such determination, execute and deliver to the Township, as the secured party, a recordable security instrument covering the premises guaranteeing payment of the deferred amounts on or before the death of any of the applicants or, in any event, upon the sale or transfer of the premises. Said security interest shall guarantee payment of an amount necessary to cover all fees and charges deferred and all costs of installation and connection, if applicable, the consideration for said security interest being the grant of deferment pursuant to this ordinance.

Made and passed by the Township Board of the Township of Grattan, County of Kent, Michigan, this 11th day of January, 1982.

Robert C. Lamoreaux, Supervisor  
Patrick G. Malone, Clerk

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## Alignment of planets

All nine planets of the solar system will come together on one side of the sun this year, says University of Michigan astronomy Prof. Richard G. Teske.

"This extremely rare formation will occur on March 10. It has no exceptional significance or interest for astronomers and no unusual experiments or observations have been planned for the occasion," Teske points out.

"However, this is the much-publicized 'alignment of the planets' that has prompted the prophecy of a great California earthquake--one of the forecasts of catastrophe that we can now ignore, for all of them are incorrect."

Teske explains that in a 1974 book titled "The Jupiter Effect," two British physicists wrote of a planetary alignment which was predicted for 1982:

"They said the line-up would come at a time when sunspots were prevalent on the sun and would heighten sunspot activity. The sunspots, they speculated, ought to trigger other effects in the solar system which would influence the earth and cause a complicated chain of events that finally should release a catastrophic earthquake."

"Then in 1980 one of the British authors retracted the prediction. Since by then it was known that the number of sunspots would be much lower in 1982 than had originally been expected, he acknowledged that there is now no reason to anticipate any unusual earthquake activity in connection with the coming planetary formation."

"Despite this retraction," says Teske, "the notion of a coming calamity has been widely written about. Many popular writers have envisioned that the gravitational pull of lined-up planets will directly affect our earth. They have claimed that the tidal forces exerted by the sun and planets will tug at earth, setting off severe seismic activity."

"But in fact the other planets have only a very weak gravitational effect on us. It can be shown by simple calculation that if all the planets were perfectly lined up, their combined tidal influence would be less than a ten-thousandth of the moon's tidal effect, which our earth endures all the time."

The U-M astronomer says that the planets will come to the same side of the sun this year, but they hardly will lie in a straight line.

"This kind of planetary formation can be predicted centuries in advance with the aid of simple calculations," Teske adds.

"According to one prediction, this very rare formation will not be repeated again until at least the 24th century."

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## 25th Anniversary



The family of Ray and Phyllis Slayton are holding Open House for their 25th Anniversary. It will be Saturday, February 6 from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. at Smyrna Bible Church on Whites Bridge Road.

All friends and neighbors are invited. A buffet lunch will be served. Their children are Mike and Brenda Slayton (baby Shaun), and Peggy Slayton. No gifts requested.

## IF IT FITZ

In the wake of the latest Alexander Haig flap, it was discouraging to learn that some people don't know the difference between a gorilla and a guerilla.

"There is a big ape working in the White House," my friend Dumbo said. "Alexander Haig said so."

Haig didn't say that, of course. He said a high-ranking White House official is a guerilla. A guerilla is sneaky and harasses the enemy by climbing to the top of tall buildings and leaking Jack Anderson's nationally syndicated column on the people below.

A man described as "a big gorilla" is usually a thug. Certainly there is no room for a thug in the White House, where there is room for Mr. Julius, the Los Angeles hairdresser who commutes to Washington to do Nancy Reagan's hair in the White House beauty salon.

According to the Associated Press, there are weeks when Mrs. Reagan has her hair done at least once every day, so there is a second hairdresser ever ready to substitute in case Mr. Julius, in flight, drops his black Ace comb in the Mississippi River.

Only the first family is allowed to use the White House beauty salon. That is so Mrs. Reagan won't be asked to trade appointments with some guerilla who, at the last minute, discovers he can't keep an 11 a.m. appointment for a comb-out because he's been summoned to the Oval Office for a surprise raid.

Guerillas must behave like civilized people, otherwise they couldn't be sneaky, so the guerillas assigned to the White House are gracious about being banned from Mrs. Reagan's beauty salon. They don't stomp and snarl because they're forced to wait their turn in ordinary barbershops. On the other hand, gorillas, or thugs, wouldn't behave that reasonably, which is why they're not allowed in the White House where they might become inflamed by the smell of bay rum they can't drink.

Alexander Haig made his guerilla charge in response to a Jack Anderson column that wasn't published in Washington or in most other newspapers for which it was scheduled. The column said President Reagan was disappointed in Haig who, as a result, would soon lose his job as secretary of state. Anderson withdrew the column after both Reagan and Haig objected to it. Haig claimed he was the victim of a White House guerilla who was spreading lies about him.

This apparent censorship raises an interesting question: How did the president read the column before it was published? Anderson's only explanation was that the squelched column "reached the White House in advance."

Does Jack Anderson, the famous muckraker, submit his copy to the White House for approval before publication? That couldn't be. Any muckraker who allows the subject of the muck to read it without first buying a newspaper raises a serious question about the purity of the muck. Such a muckraker should be exposed as a phony and publicly stripped of his muklugs.

As a longtime admirer of Anderson's muck, I prefer to believe he was victimized by a gorilla who swiped an advance copy of the column and leaked it to the president to thwart and embarrass the White House guerilla, allegedly national security adviser Richard Allen, who fed false information to Anderson in an effort to thwart and embarrass Haig.

That sounds complicated. I know, but we must realize this is the White House, our country's most important building, not some kindergarten where little kids must be prevented from monkeying around with the bay rum. Guerilla warfare in the White House involves the top-level officials who determine the direction in which our nation is headed.

That's why I was comforted to read that President Reagan called Haig and Allen into his office and told them to behave themselves. Jack Anderson hasn't confirmed it yet, but I understand Reagan also ordered them to write on the blackboard, 200 times each: "A guerilla is not a gorilla."

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
The Probate Court for the County of Kent  
JUVENILE DIVISION

Notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held in the Juvenile Court in the City of Grand Rapids, Michigan in the matter of, on the date and time and on petition by petitioner shown below alleging that said children are delinquent children within the provisions of the Juvenile Code. To preserve your parental rights under the law any parent or guardian shall contact the Juvenile Court Center at 1501 Cedar N.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan or take such other action as may be permitted by law, on or before the hearing date. Failure to comply with this order may result in said children being made a temporary ward of the court.

Child: William Brown Jr.  
Petitioner: Officer Mikalinski  
Hearing: Feb. 9, 1982 at 10:30 a.m.

Child: Ryan Ferris Steegals  
Petitioner: Mr. Anthony Galloway  
Hearing: Feb. 23, 1982 at 10:30 a.m.

Child: John Lee Wood  
Petitioner: Officer Galt  
Hearing: Feb. 23, 1982 at 10:30 a.m.

Child: Charles Edward Cull  
Petitioner: Officer Bruce Kibowit  
Hearing: Feb. 23, 1982 at 10:30 a.m.

Child: Brenda Ruck  
Petitioner: Debra Kautzman  
Hearing: Feb. 23, 1982 at 10:30 a.m.

Child: Gary Lewis Roberts  
Petitioner: Officer Sullivan  
Hearing: Feb. 23, 1982 at 10:30 a.m.

Dated January 27, 1982  
JOHN F. STEETEE  
JUDGE OF PROBATE

## Good management planning

Good management planning will be the key to staying in the dairy business this year. To find out how to improve their management, area milk producers can attend a special seminar Feb. 3.

The seminar, to be held at the Kent County Skills Center, 1655 East Beltline, Grand Rapids, is sponsored by the Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Service. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. The program adjourns at 3 p.m.

Reservations should be made by Jan. 28. Contact Robert Knisely, 836 Fuller Ave., N.E. Grand Rapids 49503 (616) 774-3265. The cost is \$2 for registration. A cafeteria luncheon is on your own.

Seminar topics include: marketing problems facing producers and processors; effects of Grade A compliance; milk price trends; dollar management to avoid financial disaster; feeding for profit and production; and milk quality management.

Speakers include: Tom Angott, president of Detroit Pure Milk Co.; William McCarthy of the Michigan Department of Agriculture; Glynn McBride and Sherrill Nott, MSU agricultural economists; and Donald Hillman and Roger Mellenberger, MSU dairy scientists.

## Tax help available

The Internal Revenue Service reminded area taxpayers that help with federal tax questions is available by phone and at the local office.

The local office staff offers free in-person help with tax returns. The office in Grand Rapids is located at 110 Michigan Ave., N.W. It is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Toll-free telephone assistance is available Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. Telephone numbers are listed in the tax forms package and in local

## Legal Notices

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT

File No. 81-44747-DO  
VIRGINIA M. LAWLER, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
RUFUS J. LAWLER, Defendant  
ORDER OF PUBLICATION

At a session of said Court held in the Hall of Justice in the City of Grand Rapids, in said County, Michigan, this 15 day of January, 1982.

Present: Honorable Woodrow A. Yared, Circuit Judge

In this cause an action was filed on the 24th day of July, 1981 by Virginia M. Lawler, Plaintiff, against Rufus J. Lawler, Defendant, for an absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

IT IS ORDERED that the Defendant, Rufus J. Lawler, answer Plaintiff's complaint or take such action as may be permitted by law on or before the 19th day of April, 1982.

Failure to comply with this order will result in default judgment against the Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

WOODROW A. YARED  
Circuit Judge  
TIMOTHY J. CONROY (P12155)  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
440 Union Bank Building  
Grand Rapids, Mich. 49503

Examined, Countersigned and Entered by Me:  
SUSAN ATKINSON  
Deputy Clerk

ATTEST: A True Copy  
S. Atkinson  
Deputy County Clerk  
c12-15

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF KENT  
PUBLICATION AND NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:  
Jennifer Louise Lance —  
Change of Name.

TAKE NOTICE: On February 16, 1982 at 9:00 a.m., in the probate courtroom, Grand Rapids, Michigan, before Hon. Donald J. De Young Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held on the petition of Jennifer Louise Lance to change her name from Jennifer Louise Lance to Jennifer Louise Bolton.

Date: Jan. 27, 1982  
Petitioner name: Jennifer Louise Lance  
Address: 1549 Rossman, S.E.  
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49507  
Phone: 456-3792  
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directories. IRS says you can get quicker service if you call during slow periods. The best time to call is early in the morning or late in the day. Try to avoid Mondays and Tuesdays if you can. They are the two busiest days of the week, IRS says.

According to IRS, about 3.1 million Michigan residents will get tax refunds this year. The agency says you can help speed up your refund if you use the pre-addressed label on the return you file, and mail it in the envelope in your tax package. If someone else pre-

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT  
File No. 81-44584-DM

ORDER FOR PUBLICATION AND TO APPEAR AN ANSWER  
JONNIE LOUISE TAYLOR, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
ROBERT DEAN TAYLOR, Defendant

At a session of said Court held in the Hall of Justice, City of Grand Rapids, Michigan on this 5th day of January 1982.

PRESENT: The Honorable Stuart Hoffius, Circuit Court Judge.

On the 8th day of July, 1981, an action for divorce was filed by the above-named Plaintiff against you, the above-named Defendant, in the Circuit Court for the County of Kent.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that you, the Defendant, whose last known address was 1309 Broadway N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49504 shall answer or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the 5th day of April, 1982.

FAILURE to comply with this Order shall result in a judgment by default against you, the Defendant, for relief as set forth in the Complaint filed in this cause.

WOODROW A. YARED  
Circuit Judge  
TIMOTHY J. CONROY (P12155)  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
440 Union Bank Building  
Grand Rapids, Mich. 49503

Examined, Countersigned and Entered:  
MARILYN HULL, Deputy Clerk  
ATTEST: A True Copy  
M. Hull, Deputy Clerk  
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STATE OF MICHIGAN  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT  
ORDER OF PUBLICATION  
Case No: 81-45931-DO

Cynthia Lindsay, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Gregory Arnold Lindsay, Defendant,

At a session of said Court held in the Circuit Courtrooms in the Hall of Justice, City of Grand Rapids, County of Kent, State of Michigan, on this 12th day of January, 1982.

Present: Honorable George R. Cook  
Circuit Judge

In this cause an action was filed on the 17th day of December, 1981, by Cynthia Lindsay, Plaintiff against Gregory Arnold Lindsay, Defendant, for an absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

IT IS ORDERED that the Defendant, Gregory Arnold Lindsay, answer to take such action as may be permitted

pared your return, ask the person to use the label and envelope, says I.R.S.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN  
CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT

ORDER FOR PUBLICATION AND TO APPEAR AN ANSWER  
Connie Darlene Franklin, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Joseph Leon Franklin, Defendant.

At a session of said Court held in the Hall of Justice, City of Grand Rapids, Michigan on this 17th day of December, 1981.

PRESENT: The honorable George R. Cook, Circuit Court Judge.

On the 9th day of December, 1981, an action for divorce was filed by the above-named Plaintiff against you, the above-named Defendant, in the Circuit Court for the County of Kent.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that you, the Defendant, whose last known address was 1556 Broadway N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49504 shall answer or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the 17th day of March, 1982.

FAILURE to comply with this Order shall result in a judgment by default against you, the Defendant, for relief as set forth in the Complaint filed in this cause.

George R. Cook  
Circuit Court Judge  
Examined, Countersigned and Entered:  
Sandra Czewski, Deputy Clerk  
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S. Czewski, Deputy Clerk  
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S. Czewski, Deputy Clerk  
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by law on or before the 12th day of April, 1982.

Failure to comply with this Order will result in a default Judgment against the Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

George R. Cook  
Circuit Court Judge  
Entered, examined, and countersigned by me:  
Sally Modderman  
Deputy Clerk

ATTEST: A True Copy  
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Sally Modderman  
Deputy County Clerk  
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STATE OF MICHIGAN  
The Probate Court for the County of Kent  
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Child: Hoa Quing Pham  
Hearing: Feb. 23, 1982 at 11:00 a.m.  
Petitioner: Paul Rozka

Child: Lou Nguyen  
Hearing: Feb. 23, 1982 at 11:30 a.m.  
Petitioner: Paul Rozka

Dated January 27, 1982  
JOHN F. STEETEE  
JUDGE OF PROBATE

Publication in the Grand Valley Ledger once at least one week prior to the hearing date is ordered.

**PERSONALIZED** — Playing cards. Single or double deck. Grand Valley Ledger, 897-9261.

# Tax tips for small businesses

(Prepared by the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants)

Several new tax law provisions will not affect your 1981 federal income tax return unless you are a small business owner.

With this in mind, the provisions for faster depreciation, and some larger investment tax credits on business equipment are retroactive to January 1, 1981. To ensure you're taking advantage of the available tax breaks, ask yourself these questions.

How much can I deduct for depreciation under the new tax law? Most business equipment costs can now be recovered in three or five years. The three-year recovery includes most business cars and light trucks as well as certain tools. Most other office and factory equipment can be depreciated over five-year terms.

The IRS has prepared new tables for reporting depreciation on your 1981 federal income tax return. Here's how the five-year depreciation scale works. A 15 percent cost deduction in the first year; 22 percent in the second; and 21 percent in each of the following years.

These rules apply to business equipment bought and in service after January 1, 1981. There is no longer a salvage value limitation, so your entire costs are recoverable. In addition to allowing quick cost recovery, this system should eliminate the many IRS examinations that were common when the reporting system was more complicated.

While you are preparing your 1981 tax return, you may want to plan ahead to accommodate some of the changes that will affect your 1982 tax return. Here's a review of some major changes:

Tax credits for rehabilitating old buildings will increase from 10 to 15 percent on buildings which are 30 to 39 years old. Higher credits will apply to older, rehabilitated buildings or certified historic structures.

You can "expense" up to \$5,000 of your capital expenditures if you do not depreciate them and that amount will gradually increase. It may be easier for you to claim investment tax credits and depreciation on leased equipment.

Changing your inventory accounting system from FIFO to LIFO may provide a tax savings. The targeted jobs credit will continue to cover wages paid to eligible employees hired before the end of 1982.

Deductible charitable contributions by corporations will increase to 10 percent of taxable income which is double the present rate.

How much can I deduct for service awards to my employees? You can deduct as much as \$400 for each award to an employee for length of service, productivity, or safety achievement. This is an increase of \$300 per award and must be tangible property, not cash. You qualify if the awards are made after August 13, 1981, the date the new tax law was enacted.

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# Council Proceedings

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS of the CITY COUNCIL of the CITY OF LOWELL, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting of Monday, January 18, 1982. The Meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by Mayor Collins. The Pledge of Allegiance was given and the roll called. Present: Councilmen Christiansen, Fonger and Collins. Absent: Councilmen Maatman and Schneider.

IT WAS MOVED BY Councilman Fonger that the absence of Councilman Maatman be excused supported by Councilman Christiansen.

Carried. IT WAS THEN MOVED by Councilman Christiansen that the Minutes of the January 4, 1982 Meeting be approved as written, supported by Councilman Fonger.

Carried. IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Fonger that the Bills and Accounts Payable be allowed and warrants issued, supported by Councilman Christiansen.

Yes: Councilmen Christiansen, Fonger and Collins. No: None. Absent: Councilmen Maatman and Schneider.

**BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE TOTALS**

General Fund	\$38,355.86
Local Street Fund	296.55
Sewer Fund	407.48
Water Fund	2,982.36
Equipment Fund	1,625.75
Trust and Agency Fund	741.00
Sewer Construction Fund	20,488.00

Mr. Wendell Christoff was present and requested an extension of the P.A. 198 industrial property tax relief incentive granted in 1981, from eight years to the full twelve, to allow for additional expansion of their foreman Street plant. He explained that the new expansion would be constructed in the Spring of 1982, and rather than apply for another P.A. 198 exemption, they would like it included in the original request, and make the coverage for the 12 years total.

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Fonger that the public hearing on the request of C. J. Christoff and Sons for an extension of the P.A. 198 tax exemption from 8 to 12 years be set for the February 15, 1982 meeting, supported by Councilman Christiansen.

Carried. Manager Quada then headed a discussion on a request by Craig and Mary Wittenbach to install stop signs at the intersections of N. Hudson and Elm and N. Hudson and Spring Streets. Mr. Quada stated that the topic was placed on the agenda because of their request to do so, but that he had not had a chance to study the traffic pattern in depth, or to find out how many accidents have occurred in that area in any given amount of time. He also stated that it is a four-lane major street, controlled by the Kent County Road Commission, and that the City could not install stop signs there, also that because of the volume of traffic on Hunson, it could be more dangerous to have stop signs at those intersections. He stated that he would study available information and report his findings back to the Wittenbachs, in any case.

Council then discussed a request to control daytime parking on W. Main Street, in the area of Mel's Bar, Vennen Chrysler-Dodge and ERB Lumber.

Manager Quada stated that there are two driveways at Erb Lumber, one drive at Vennen's, all facing Main Street, and with no off-street parking for Mel's Bar, his patrons park on both sides of Main Street, making visibility of traffic very hazzardous. There have been several accidents and many near misses. The problem was brought to his attention by a request of Mr. Jim Gober, Manager of Erb Lumber, to restrict daytime parking in the area during business hours.

Manager Quada suggested that a "timed-no parking" area, between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. be established in front of Erb Lumber and Vennen Chrysler-Dodge for a period of 60 days. It would eliminate eight parking spaces and improve visibility of both oncoming traffic to see cars exiting from the driveways, and the exiting cars to see oncoming traffic.

Council concurred to try the timed, no parking area for 60 days. Manager Quada to work out details of sign installation, etc.

Council then discussed the bids received on a new Police Cruiser.

The following resolution was offered by Councilman Christiansen, supported by Councilman Fonger for adoption.

WHEREAS, the City of Lowell is interested in purchasing a new Police Cruiser; and

WHEREAS, bids have been received and tabulated as follows;

Thomet Chevrolet and Buick, Inc.:  
1982 Impala 4 Door Sedan \$10,160 with trade 1980 Dodge, \$8,662.00

Vennen Chrysler-Dodge, Inc.:  
1982 Dodge Diplomat 4 Door Sedan, with trade 1980 Dodge, \$9,039.95

Harold Zeigler Ford, Inc.:  
1982 Ford L.T.D.'s Police Special \$9,410.97 w/1 1980 Dodge \$7,208.97

1982 Ford Fairmont Futura Police Special \$8,198 w/1 1980 Dodge \$5,996.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of \$7,208.97 for the 1982 Ford L.T.D.'s Police Special, submitted by Harold Zeigler Ford, Inc. be accepted.

Yes: Councilmen Christiansen, Fonger and Collins. No: None. Absent: Councilmen Maatman and Schneider.

Manager Quada then stated that he had received a request from a property owner on Bowes Road to vacate a "paper street", West Street, south of Bowes Road, and a portion of Clarke Street which intersects S. West. Manager Quada suggested that the request be directed to the Planning Commission for consideration with the land use plan for that area, stating that the owner is also considering requesting rezoning at a later date for building purposes.

Council concurred to send the matter to the Planning Commission.

Council next discussed the yearly contract with the Michigan State Highway Department for maintenance of the Municipal Trunk Line.

The following resolution was offered by Councilman Fonger for adoption, supported by Councilman Christiansen.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipal Trunkline Maintenance Contract between the Michigan Department of Transportation and the City of Lowell for the period October 1, 1981 to September 30, 1983, is hereby accepted and Ray Quada is designated as Maintenance Superintendent on sections of the State Trunkline Highways as shown on the Municipal Route Section Map and budget Sheets.

The following City official, Ray Quada, Clerk is authorized to sign the said maintenance contract.

(and the following resolution)

WHEREAS, Section 13 (7) of Act 51, Public acts of 1951 provides that each incorporated city and village to which funds are returned under the provisions of this section, that the responsibility for street improvement, maintenance, and traffic operation work, and the development, construction, or repair of offstreet parking facilities and construction or repair of street lighting shall be coordinated by a single administrator to be designated by the governing body who shall be responsible for and shall represent the municipality in transactions with the state transportation department pursuant to this act.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this honorable Body designate Ray Quada as the single (Street) administrator for the City of Lowell in all transactions with the State Transportation Department as provided in Section 13 of the Act.

Carried. Under Remarks from the Audience, Mr. Gray Dietzel presented a letter to the Council in reference to his recent dismissal from the City's employment. (copy attached.)

Council concurred to take the matter under advisement in executive session.

Under Council Comments, Councilman Fonger asked the status on the request for vacation of an unused portion of Amity Street at Suffolk Street. Manager Quada replied that he would have details worked out for the next meeting.

IT WAS THEN MOVED to adjourn at 8:46 p.m. by Councilman Christiansen.

Dean E. Collins Mayor  
Ray E. Quada City Clerk

What rules apply to used business equipment purchased in 1981? The same rules apply to used equipment. The new tax law erases any difference in provisions for depreciating new or used business equipment.

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How much can I deduct for service awards to my employees? You can deduct as much as \$400 for each award to an employee for length of service, productivity, or safety achievement. This is an increase of \$300 per award and must be tangible property, not cash. You qualify if the awards are made after August 13, 1981, the date the new tax law was enacted.

While you are preparing your 1981 tax return, you may want to plan ahead to accommodate some of the changes that will affect your 1982 tax return. Here's a review of some major changes:

Tax credits for rehabilitating old buildings will increase from 10 to 15 percent on buildings which are 30 to 39 years old. Higher credits will apply to older, rehabilitated buildings or certified historic structures.

You can "expense" up to \$5,000 of your capital expenditures if you do not depreciate them and that amount will gradually increase. It may be easier for you to claim investment tax credits and depreciation on leased equipment.

Changing your inventory accounting system from FIFO to LIFO may provide a tax savings. The targeted jobs credit will continue to cover wages paid to eligible employees hired before the end of 1982.

Deductible charitable contributions by corporations will increase to 10 percent of taxable income which is double the present rate.

## Pockets of prosperity

There are pockets of prosperity in the job outlook for June graduates, according to a nationwide recruiting trends survey done by Michigan State University's Placement Services.

Jack Shingleton, director of Placement Services, says graduates in certain fields, particularly engineering and computer science, will be in high demand while the demand has leveled off, or in some cases fallen off, in some nontechnical fields.

"What we're finding are pockets of high demand," says Shingleton. "In some areas of engineering and computer science, for instance, there will be more jobs to fill than there will be graduates to fill them."

Patrick Scheetz, assistant director of Placement Services, says the same is true in other fields.

"In education, for instance, there is great demand for science and math teachers, while many elementary teachers cannot find jobs."

Overall, the placement officials say they expect the demand for graduates to be about the same as last year, when 87 percent of the graduates found work within three months of graduation.

The survey of 428 businesses, industries, government agencies and educational institutions nationwide also showed that salary offers to new graduates would be up about 5.2 percent more than offers to June 1981 graduates.

The highest starting salaries will be paid to chemical, electrical and mechanical engineers, who will earn an average of more than \$22,000 per year.

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Patricia L. Smith Treasurer, City of Lowell

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## Interlochen outreach show



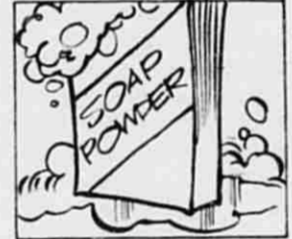
Michigan audiences will again have the opportunity to experience music and other programs from Interlochen right in their own community as the Interlochen Outreach "Show on the Road" project, supported by the Michigan Council for the Arts, begins its 8th season.

The Interlochen Arts Academy Choir and Chorale will make their Lowell appearance on Feb. 9 at 9:30 a.m. in the Lowell Middle School Cafeteria sponsored by Lowell Area Arts Council.

The Interlochen Center for the Arts was identified in 1974 by the Michigan Council for the Arts as one of the state's major cultural institutions, thus becoming eligible to share in an appropriation made by the Michigan State Legislature.

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## Zoo opens new lab

John Ball Zoo is pleased to announce the opening of "Zoo Lab" on a regularly scheduled basis.

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our zoo and in the wild, through fun, participatory activities.

Until now, Zoo Lab has been a popular attraction opened only in conjunction with zoo special events. We are now very pleased to begin opening Zoo Lab for Zoo visitors on a regular basis, staffed by Zoo volunteers, as follows:

- 10:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m. Saturdays.
- 1:00 p.m. — 3:30 p.m. Sundays.
- 1:00 p.m. — 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays.
- 1:00 p.m. — 3:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

There is no admission fee. Zoo Lab is intended to be a family experience. All children should be under supervision.

## Winter mail delivery

Postmaster Charlie Doyle has asked area mail residents to clear ice and snow from sidewalks and steps in order to receive delivery of their mail.

Postmaster Doyle said he realizes it's not always easy to remove ice and snow, but carriers are not required to risk personal injury from unusual hazards to deliver the mail.

Rural and curbside customers are reminded to keep their mailboxes cleared of snow, vehicles, and other objects.

This will permit the carrier to drive up to each mailbox to deposit and collect mail without leaving the vehicle. The approach to and exit from the mailbox should be cleared sufficiently on both sides to allow the carrier to drive ahead and not be required to back up the vehicle after delivery.

Postmaster Doyle further stated that carriers are instructed to take all mail with them daily as no mail will be given out over the counter. On days of heavy snow rural customers should meet their carrier if mailboxes have not been cleared.

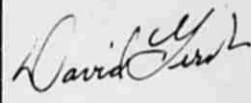

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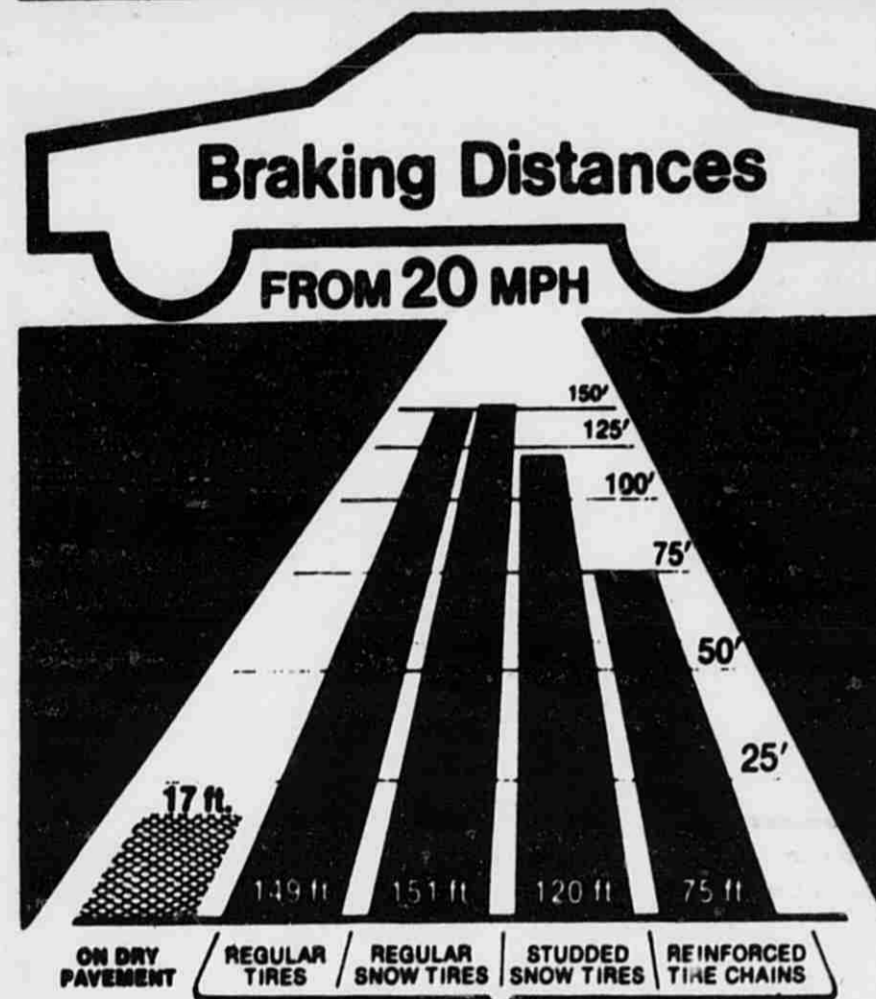
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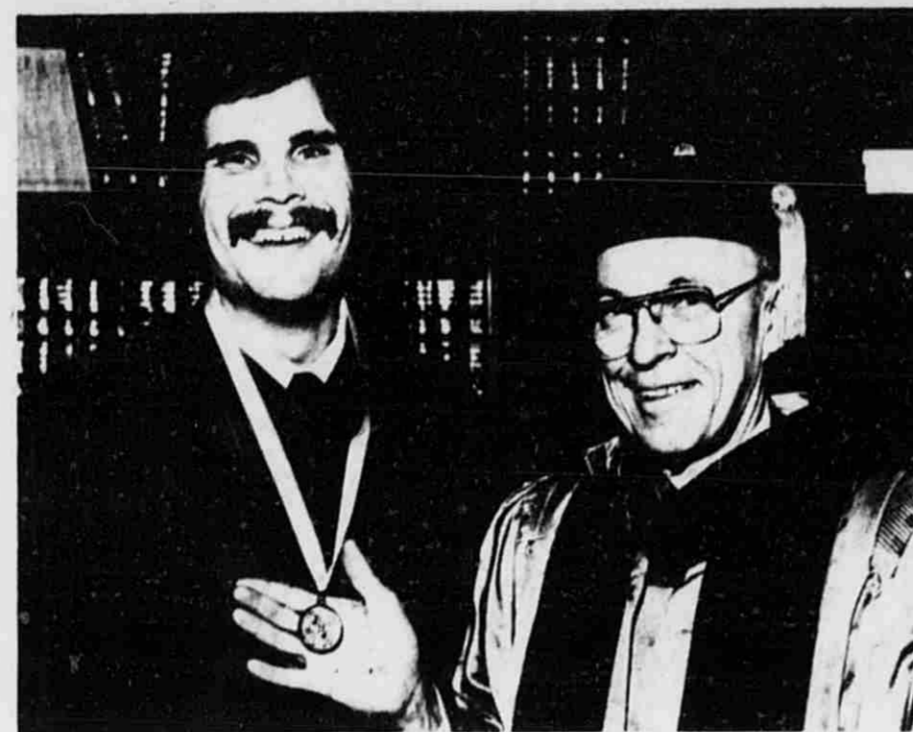
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## Stanley is NMU Honor Grad



Roger Scott Stanley (left), son of Mr. and Mrs. James Stanley, who now lives in Howard City, received his bachelor's degree with highest honors at Northern Michigan University in Marquette during the university's recent commencement. Stanley was presented with NMU's commemorative summa cum laude medal, symbolic of academic excellence, by Dr. Donald Heikkinen, Dean of Northern's School of Arts and Science. To earn Northern's highest academic award, graduating seniors must have attained a grade point average of at least 3.7 out of a possible 4.0. Stanley majored in conservation. He is a 1975 graduate of Forest

Hills Central High, and is the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Benedict, 10988 60th Street, Alto.

### VA insurance dividends

Nearly four million veterans who have kept their GI life insurance policies in force will share in a record \$664.6 million dividend during 1982, Administrator of Veterans Affairs Robert P. Nimmo announced today.

Because of higher interest rates earned by insurance funds, the amount to be paid to policyholders during 1981 is \$45 million above the 1981 figure.

No application is needed, Nimmo stressed. Dividends will be paid automatically during 1982 on the anniversary date of the individual's

insurance policy. Policyholders will receive varying amounts depending on the type of policy, the amount of insurance in force, the insured's age at issue or renewal and time the policy has been in force.

A greater share of the higher interest rates was earned by those veterans who converted their insurance plans to permanent type policies rather than continuing to hold the original term policies, Nimmo said.

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# State Police honor REACT

The Alto Sky High React group was presented a commendation from the Michigan State Police for their efforts in volunteering long hours in manning free coffee stands in the 1981 Operation C.A.R.E. Alto Sky High React is one of 45 C.B. radio clubs statewide that gave generously of their holiday weekend time.

Sky High React Group is part of a nationwide network of React Groups that monitor C.B. channel 9 and attempt to aid motorists in any way possible. The eight member group in Alto monitors as much time as possible and makes every effort to monitor constantly during bad weather.

The group is always looking for new members and those interested are urged to contact Group Director Vernon Yeater of 11313 60th St., Alto; his phone number is 868-6425.



Michigan State Police Trooper Gary Knottner presents Alto Sky High Group Director Vernon Yeater with a commendation from the Department of State Police.

# City is closer to a new sewage treatment plant

For nearly ten years the city of Lowell has been under a court order to build a secondary sewage treatment plant. Over those years there has been a tremendous amount of red tape that had to be done to satisfy the Environmental Protection Agency and the State Department of Natural Resources. The city has been able to pursue the project at a pace that was something less than "top priority".

But now all preliminary studies are finished, plans for the plant are very nearly complete and it is time for the city to get behind the project and get the plans approved by the D.N.R. or run the risk of losing some of

the federal funding. The plans call for a total project cost in the neighborhood of two million dollars with the federal government picking up the tab for 75 percent and the city paying the remainder. The project calls for the repair or replacement of some of the city's sewer lines and the construction of a new sewage treatment plant that will be located at the fairgrounds between the horse arena and the Flat River.

Designers of the plant are Fishbeck, Thompson, Huber and Carr, the city engineers for Lowell. City manager Ray Quada offered a "guess" for groundbreaking in the spring of 1983.

## snow causes service interruptions

The accumulation of snow in recent weeks could cause service interruptions or possibly interfere with safe operation of certain gas appliances unless precautions are taken by natural gas customers, according to Consumers Power Company.

John G. Dorman, district appliance and meter superintendent, says ice and snow should be carefully removed from around outdoor gas meters and regulators. Caution should be exercised to avoid striking meter installations with snow removal equipment.

Dorman recommends that snow should also be removed from the front of basement windows or foundation vents to aid in safe operation of your gas furnace. These furnaces require a considerable amount of air to operate properly.

Dorman notes that many mobile homes draw combustion air from under the home or through roof vents. Owners of mobile homes with foundation skirting should have some snow removed so that air can circulate beneath the home and those with roof-mounted vents and chimney vents should keep those openings free of snow and ice.

All chimneys should be checked periodically for proper venting. However, Dorman especially cautioned people whose chimneys are capped with a metal draft diverter. Sometimes chimney-top draft diverters that are made of metal deteriorate because of rust and the

corrosive effect of flue gases and collapse on top of the chimney causing improper venting, Dorman said.

Basement home dwellers should be certain that foundation vents are unobstructed.

## Freeze-dried baits

Just about everybody has enjoyed the flavor of a cup of freeze-dried coffee, but fishermen are only beginning to catch on to the advantages of something new on the market — freeze-dried bait!

The new product is being marketed in the Upper Great Lakes country by Mainstream Freeze-Dried Baits of Marquette, and word has been spreading through the northwoods on what owner Bob Hanson calls the "fishermen's telegraph."

"The best thing I can say about our bait is that fishermen are using it for the first time, liking the results, and recommending it to their friends," says Hanson who, established the business early in 1981.

Mainstream Baits currently offers smelt, minnows and nightcrawlers, handily packaged and easily stored in a tackle box, pocket or creel — indefinitely until needed.

"The freeze-drying process preserves the odor and color with no need for refrigeration," Hanson points out. "Place the bait in water for 15 to 45 minutes — depending on size — and life-like appearance and color is restored."

# IRA

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If you were to deposit \$2,000.00 per year and receive a 12%\* yield, here's a sample of how fast your funds would accumulate

5 yrs.	10 yrs.	15 yrs.	20 yrs.	25 yrs.	30 yrs.
\$14,458.00	\$40,570.00	\$87,732.00	\$172,913.00	\$326,759.00	\$604,625.00

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