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Light & Power gets nod for cable TV franchise

With the potential for profits the main motive for their decision, the Lowell City Council voted unanimously to award the city's franchise for cable TV service to the Lowell Light and Power Company. In the Power Company's proposal the standard 5 percent of annual gross franchise fee will go to the city, plus 50 percent of all profits. The other half of the

profits will go into the coffers of the Light and Power Company, which of course is owned by the city. A fifteen year payback schedule places profits for the system at over 1.6 million dollars. Besides the potential revenues for the city at a time when state and federal aid is dwindling, Mayor Dean Collins feels that municipal ownership is also a "super opportunity"

for the people of Lowell to mold a cable TV system that suits their needs perfectly.

Not willing to go down without a fight, representatives from North Ottawa Cablevision and Liggett Broadcasting were on hand to present one final appeal in favor of independent ownership. Gary Van Volkenburg of North Ottawa Cablevision pointed to potential problems such as a possible monetary loss instead of profits, upcoming competition from home rooftop dishes and the fact that the proposal from Lowell Light and Power was the first ever prepared by their consultants. Daverman and Associates and that their

projection of profits was "very optimistic". Van Volkenburg went on to say that a company such as North Ottawa with several systems in operation is much more capable of operating a cable TV system than a municipality.

Dr. Orval McKay speaking on behalf of the Light and Power Board rebutted Van Volkenburg's comments about profits by stating that cable systems must be profitable or the independents wouldn't be fighting so hard for the franchise. McKay also proposed that since the system will be owned by the people of Lowell, it will be especially responsive to the community and the schools.

Bob Liggett's remarks were that he was disappointed that the council had not chosen his company, but would like to offer his services in the future for work on the system that needs to be contracted out. Liggett also promised his full cooperation if he should be awarded a franchise in a neighboring community.

City Manager Ray Quada addressed the opinion of some around the community that the townships and school system hadn't been given enough opportunity to participate in the decision of which company would get the franchise. Quada pointed out that all public hearings

regarding the franchise were printed two weeks in advance in the Grand Valley Ledger and that representatives from the school and Lowell Township were at those hearings.

The Light and Power Company did not offer a timetable for construction of the system, but two of the companies that did call for initial hook-ups in late summer or early fall with completion in early 1983. Since the Power Company will be letting the construction of the system out for bids, the actual construction will be delayed by the bidding process.



NEW — NEW & USED FURNITURE STORE

B & M New & Used Furniture opened for business at 221 W. Main St., Lowell last Monday. The store occupies space previously used by Riverside Fireplace Shoppe which has now consolidated its merchandise into the building next door at 223 West Main. B & M was opened by Mel Byington and Robert Sly, both of the Sheridan area. Mel is the former owner of The Country Store in Sidney. B & M will be buying "good" used furniture and selling both new and used merchandise.

DINNER-DANCE REMINDER

Just so you don't forget, the Lowell Showboat is sponsoring a dinner dance at Deer Run Golf Club on Friday, April 3. Steak is the main course, followed by dancing to the music of Lowell's ever-popular "Alice & Well". The evening kicks off with a cocktail hour at 6:30, dinner at 7:30 and dancing at 9:00. Price for the evening is \$12.50 per person (cash bar), phone Deer Run 897-8481 for reservations.

WHITE CANE WEEK

More than 35,000 Lions from over 500 Michigan Lions Clubs, including the Lowell Lions Club, are gearing up for the annual White Cane Week drive scheduled for April 23 to May 2 and they hope the public is ready for them! Representatives from the Lions will be at several locations in downtown Lowell April 23, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and April 24, 9 a.m. to 12 noon. All proceeds will go to Leader Dogs for the Blind and Welcome Home for the Blind.

OFF THE BLOTTER

Arrested and taken to the Kent County Jail early Tuesday morning was Dwayne Salzwedel of Lowell on a criminal bench warrant issued by 63rd District Court for failure to pay fines and costs.

A stolen car, taken from the Valley Vista Trailer Park on Tuesday morning was recovered in Flint, MI, Thursday evening. A juvenile run-away suspect is being sought by the police in the incident.

A juvenile shoplifter was apprehended in Eberhards Tuesday afternoon by store employees.

Cited to appear at a later date in 63rd District Court on shoplifting charges was Gerald Nugent. Apprehended in Lipperts Pharmacy Thursday afternoon. Also Edward Maile and Gary Slemmons were both apprehended in separate incidents in Eberhards Saturday.

1982-83 budget is presented to council

Lowell City Manager Ray Quada submitted his proposed budget to the City Council Monday evening. The 1982-83 budget calls for

School taxes to be split

The Lowell City Council unanimously approved a request from the Lowell Area Schools to split the collection of school taxes between winter and summer. The school stated that because of deteriorating finances due to the economic status of the State of Michigan, the Lowell Area Schools have reached the point where the collection of summer taxes could significantly help with cash flow problems.

What this means to taxpayers is that winter taxes will be comprised of combined county taxes, intermediate/special education taxes and 50 percent of the Lowell Area School taxes. The summer taxes will consist of taxes levied by the City of Lowell and the remaining 50% of the local school tax. The first tax billing to go out this way will be the summer taxes of 1983.

With the school taxes split in this manner, summer and winter billings should be about equal instead of a winter tax bill that is about three or four times as big as the summer billing. The school is attempting to persuade the townships in the district to adopt the same legislation.

a millage assessment of 11.38 mills, a reduction from last year's 12.5. Expenditures for the coming fiscal year (July 1, 1982 to June 30, 1983) are as follows: Legislative \$9,950, Administrative \$182,458, Public Safety \$250,556, Public Works \$254,747, other activities \$29,500, contributions \$65,500, Highway Fund

\$246,030, Improvement Fund \$200, Federal Revenue Sharing \$800, Lee Fund \$10,850, Building and Site Fund \$400, Public Utilities \$620,359 and Equipment Fund \$232,286.

In his cover letter to the council, Quada noted that projected state revenues are down nearly \$20,000 from 1981-82 and \$60,000 from

1980-81. It was also pointed out that there are no new major projects proposed and every effort will be made to keep well within the budgeted limits this year.

Public hearings on the budget were slated for Monday, May 3 and 17 at 8:00 p.m. at Lowell City Hall.

Lowell man in Ionia Theater production

Dave Rittersdorf of 11660 Bluewater Hwy., Lowell is making his debut in Ionia Community Theatre's production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Oklahoma". Rittersdorf will be playing the part of Will Parker in the 1943 Broadway hit musical.

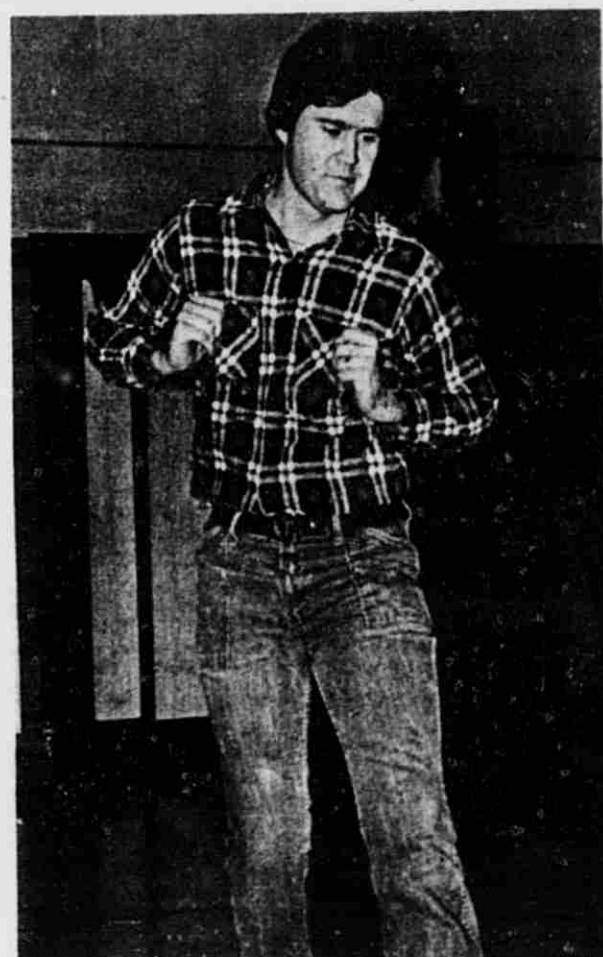
Rittersdorf is a graduate of Lowell High School and Ferris State College and is now employed as a medical technologist at Ionia County Memorial Hospital. He says, "I've always wanted to act, but I was too shy before".

Dates for the performance are April 22, 23, 24, 30 and May 1. The curtain goes up at 8:00 p.m. each night at Watt Auditorium in Ionia High School.

ROSIES — Ham and cheese omelet, \$1.99. Cheeseburg basket, \$1.50. House trailer for rent.

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Lowell's Dave Rittersdorf rehearsing his part as Will Parker in the Ionia Community Theatre's production of "Oklahoma".

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STRAND Theatre LOWELL, MICHIGAN	Walt Disney's <i>Cinderella</i> TECHNICOLOR Re-released by BUENA VISTA DISTRIBUTION CO. INC. ©MGM/UA Walt Disney Productions	ONE SHOW EACH NIGHT AT 8 P.M.
Fri. April 23rd Thru Mon. April 26th		Monday Is Bargain Night

Obituaries

COLES - STANLEY A. COLES, AGED 71, OF GREENVILLE, passed away Sunday, April 11, 1982. He is survived by his wife, Alice; a son, Floer and Jean Coles of Greenville; a daughter, Shirley Hughey of Southfield, MI; a son, James and Kathleen Coles of Detroit; a sister, Mrs. John (Irman) Passanen of Lowell; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. Funeral Services were Thursday at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell, with Dr. Richard Greenwood of the First Congregational Church of Lowell officiating. Interment Bowne Center Cemetery. Memorials to Osteopathic Hospital I.C.U.

10 A.M. in St. Stephen's Church, Interment Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

PECKHAM - Victor A. Peckham died in Pittsburgh, Pa. on April 9th at the age of 76. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Algernon Peckham of Lowell and a graduate of Lowell High School in 1924. He earned his BA degree from Olivet College and then graduated from the University of Michigan Law School in 1930, with a JD degree.

Mr. Peckham joined a patent law firm in Pittsburgh and became a partner, carrying on the firm name after the other members retired. He was still in active practice until a few days before his death. He leaves his wife, the former Vernie Holmes of Clare, Michigan, and three sons and one daughter, and nine grandchildren. Mrs. Robert Hahn of Lowell is his sister, and Howard Peckham of Hendersonville, N.C. is his brother.

A memorial service was held in Pittsburgh on Easter Sunday, at the Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church. The body was cremated, and the ashes will be interred on the Peckham lot in Oakwood Cemetery, Lowell.

SCOTT - Robert M. Scott, of 8007 Blue Water Highway, Saranac, aged 55, died April 14. Born Sept. 29, 1926 in Michigan. Surviving are

three sons, Bob, Rick and Rowie; one daughter, Bev; five grand children. Funeral Service were held Friday at the Gorsline-Runciman East Chapel, 1730 E. Grand River, E. Lansing, with Rev. Jack E. Rowe of the Calvary Memorial Assembly of God, Grand Rapids, officiating.

WISE - Mrs. Bernice Wise, aged 89, widow of Howard, passed away Sunday evening at the M.J. Clark Memorial Home. Surviving are her family, Helen and Donald J. Hams of Phoenix, Ariz., Patti and Rex Coryell of Fox Point, Wisc., Dr. Gilbert H. and Jeanne Wise of Lowell, MI; 11 grandchildren, and six great grandchildren; two sisters, Miss Bertha Pullen of Grand Rapids, and Mrs. Norma Morgan of Ypsilanti, MI. Friends may meet the family at the Clark Home Chapel Wednesday 10 A.M., where Funeral Services will be held 11 A.M. Interment Rest Lawn Memorial Park. Mrs. Wise had been a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church for 60 years and a member of the Naomi Circle.

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by the staff of THE MOTHER EARTH NEWS

COLD WEATHER TIPS FROM JAPAN

One of our readers, Carole Woods, picked up a lot of ideas about coping with cold weather while she was growing up in Japan. She points out that most Japanese houses are not centrally heated, but that her winter experiences there proved that the Japanese people (who live in temperature zones comparable to those of the United States) generally manage to live comfortably during cold weather... in homes that are designed primarily for summer heat.

The typical Japanese winter bed covering is a quilt called a *hakebuton*. Ms. Woods describes it as being something like a comforter: "It consists of a light nylon covering over each side of a loft (or thickness) of approximately four inches—composed of untold layers—of cotton. This quilt isn't sewn through as a Western one would be. Instead, only an occasional thread—which is not pulled tight—runs from the nylon on one side, through the filling, to the other cover. This produces, essentially, a big, flat, warm and wonderful, rectangular sleeping bag."

During the winter, families often center their evening activities around a *kotatsu*, which is a heater placed on the floor underneath a traditional Japanese table (like those used in Japanese restaurants). A special quilt is draped over the top of the table to help keep the feet and legs placed beneath it warm, and a second table top is rested on the quilt.

A *hibachi*, which more closely resembles a large vase or flowerpot made of fired and kiln-glazed clay iron than the cooking apparatus called by that name in this country, provides heat for the *kotatsu*. Various grates or tripods can be put over the fire so that food may be cooked or water boiled on the *hibachi*. For the most part, a kettle of water is kept simmering on the unit to humidify the room. (Such open fires may be safer in a rather lightly constructed, well-ventilated Japanese structure, but we do not advise you to try it, since an open fire emits dangerous carbon monoxide.)

The Japanese cover their wooden floors with *tatami*... straw mats that are approximately 1-1/2 inches thick. In especially cold weather, a layer of newspaper is often put between the straw mats and the wooden floor for extra insulation.

Carole says that many Japanese items of clothing are designed to provide winter comfort in cool houses. A short kimono-type garment called a *haori* is constructed in the same layered manner as the *hakebuton*, except it's covered on the outside with cotton fabric. Such jackets are worn indoors and out. Under the *haori*, the Orientals wear several layers of sweaters and other garments.

Carole's favorite memories of her life in Japan concern her late-afternoon visits to the *ofuro*, a sort of hot tub/sauna combination. "After a soak in the *ofuro*," Ms. Woods states, "you'll be warm for at least a half hour, and if you're staying up for a while, you won't need as many sweaters as before." At bedtime the Japanese get out the *yutampo*, a device akin to a metal hot water bottle, to warm up the bed (*futon*) before climbing in. "Then, when you're ready to slip under the warmed cover," she says, "you'll have something nice to put your feet against as you drift off cozily to sleep."



Coming Events

WED., APRIL 21: There will be a Stanley demonstration when Past Matrons Cyclamen Chapter No. 94 OES meets at the home of Alice Ryder at 7:30 P.M.

WED., APRIL 21: Lowell Garden Lore Club will meet at Schneider Manor at 1 P.M. Hostess is Dorothy Randall and Evelyn Tichelaar. Program by Priscilla Lussmyer on her trip to Haiti. Sponsor Pauline Johnson.

SAT., APRIL 24: Cyclamen Chapter No. 94 have rescheduled their Friendship Night at 8 P.M. in the Lowell Masonic Temple.

SAT., APRIL 24: Lowell Volunteer Fire Department is hosting a pancake breakfast 7:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. at VFW Post 8303, 307 E. Main. Donation Adults \$3.00, children under 12 \$1.50.

MON., APRIL 26: at 9 A.M., the Senior Men's Golf League will commence play at Arrowhead Golf Course. New players are welcome.

TUE., APRIL 27: Special meeting of Lowell Lodge No. 90 F.&A.M. officers meeting, F.C. Practice and Lodge Finances are on the agenda. Membership is urged to attend. 7:30 P.M.

TUE., APRIL 27: The annual meeting of the West Central Michigan Historical Society will be held at the Runciman Elementary School, 300 High Street, Lowell, MI. Election of directors, followed by a very interesting program and refreshments. Anyone interested in the future of the society, is welcome to attend. For more information call 897-7000.

WED., APRIL 28: from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. there will be a second best sale (clothing and household goods) at Mayflower Congregational Church, 2345 Robinson Road, S.E. Grand Rapids.

FRI, APRIL 30: Spaghetti Dinner from 5 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. at the First Congregational Church of Lowell sponsored by the Junior High

Youth Group. Featuring our own Italian chef. Adults \$3.00, children 12 and under \$1.50. For advanced sale tickets call 897-7403.

FRI., APRIL 30: and SAT., MAY 1 Cyclamen Chapter 94 Order of the Eastern Star will hold a second Best sale in the Lowell Masonic Temple. Hours are from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

SUN., MAY 2: Cascade Christian Church in cooperation with the Grand Valley Blood Program will hold a mobile blood drawing from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. at the Cascade Christian Church. For further information or to make an appointment to donate call Cascade Christian Church 949-1360.

TUE., MAY 4: The annual meeting of the Alton Cemetery Association will be held at the Alton Church, at 8:00 P.M.

MAY 17, 18, and 20: The American Red Cross will hold a CPR course at Saranac High School on May 17, 18, 20 from 6:30 to 9:30 P.M. There will be a \$5.00 charge to cover cost of material. To register call 897-9679.

SAT., AUGUST 7: 15th Class Reunion - Lowell High School Class of 1967, at 6 P.M. will be held at the Canonsburg Ski Lodge. For reservations call Carol Briggs during the day 897-5936.



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Many governmental agencies also have toll free numbers. Here are a few you can use for everyday problems. Consumer Product Safety Commission, 1-800-638-8301. Michigan Public Service Commission, 1-800-292-9555 and the Michigan Travel Bureau at 1-800-292-5456.

There's also a directory of the 25,000 most useful toll free numbers. It's called "Toll Free Digest," priced at \$6.50. They have a toll free number to take orders. 1-800-447-4700.

There's also a group of various entertainment information services that you can have fun with, but they're not free. Here are a few examples. Soap Opera Scoop, 1-313-976-3939. Sports Phone, 1-313-976-1313 and Lottery Line at 1-313-976-2020. There are many other numbers like this and you can get them by calling the "Dial-It" information number at 1-313-976-1000.

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Arne's Funland to open soon

Construction of Arne's Funland, Michigan's first water theme amusement park, is on schedule for its projected Grand Opening in May. "Since we began moving earth in October," said Arne's Funland President, Arne Lundmark, "the ten-acre site on 28th Street in Grand Rapids has undergone substantial changes. We're pleased with the progress and anticipate opening right on time."

Major excavation at the site will accommodate six high waterslides of various types, and mammoth pools are being dug for splash-downs. According to Lundmark, "Riders will cascade down the waterslides at roller coaster speeds."

Excavation is also underway for the park's central building, an unusual dome-shaped structure which will be used for ticket sales and a variety of indoor games and other activities. A unique aspect of the building involves the stretching of a durable weatherproof fabric over a steel frame.

The park will also feature a one-of-a-kind "contour" miniature golf course that simulates the conditions of a real golf course with water hazards.

Other amusements at the park will include a race track with Can-Am go-karts and a special lake for remote-control boats. A food services and commons area and a large parking lot are also being constructed at the site. Additional information and

group reservations can be obtained by contacting Steve Batdorff, Group Sales Director, at 616/957-2522.

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Church News

Rev. Amundsen new First United Methodist pastor

The First United Methodist Church of Lowell will soon be welcoming its new pastor, Reverend William J. Amundsen. His appointment here, effective May 1, has been announced by Bishop Edsel Ammons through District Superintendent Darwin Salisbury. He is currently Associate Pastor at Trinity United Methodist Church in Grand Rapids.

Reverend Amundsen is a graduate of Michigan State University and Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary. Prior to his three years

Grace Belles will entertain

"Grace Belles" from Grace College will present a special service at Alton Bible Church, corner of Lincoln Lake Ave. and 3 Mile Rd. NE, April 25 at 11:00 a.m. as announced by Pastor Ralph "Chip" Wood (Interim Pastor).

"Grace Belles," now in its second year, is a group of 16 ladies who sing and perform with a 4-octave set of Schulmerich handbells. These students are enrolled in Grace College from states as far away as Hawaii and New York.

Members of the group include: Dori Ansah, Queens, New York; Sherri Juday, Warsaw, Indiana; Kathy Carpenter, Cement City, Michigan; Deanna Smith, Elkhart, Indiana; Sandi Loper, Lucerne, Indiana; Cheryl Garoux, No. Canton, Ohio; Ruth Garoux, No. Canton, Ohio; Connie Hulme, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa; Sherrie Kirkpatrick, Omaha, Nebraska; Diana Martin, Kent, Washington; Stacy Nifong, Elkhart, Indiana; Linda Wedertz, Counselor, New Mexico; Kathy Bradbury, Wheaton, Illinois; Ann St. Germain, Goshen, Indiana; Margaret Dennis, Aiea, Hawaii; Donna Kuni, Peoria, Illinois.

Director of the group is Mrs. Richard L. (Ethel) Anderson, an instructor of string music and mathematics at Grace College. She holds a B.S. degree in music and mathematics and a M.S. degree in mathematics. She was a member of the Wheaton College Chapel Choir.

The group's repertoire consists of sacred numbers, hymn arrangements, bell and voice compositions, and novelty numbers displaying the varied color of bell tone.

The goal of Grace Belles is to glorify Jesus Christ as women who love and serve Him through vocal and bell music.

HOMESPUN DEVOTIONS

by Pauline E. Spray



"Behold, the Lord our God hath shewed us his glory and his greatness, and we have heard his voice out of the midst of the fire: we have seen this day that God doth talk with man, and he liveth (Deuteronomy 5:24).

Children are unpredictable. Mother continually reminds them to "hang up your clothes." Put your books where they belong. "Clean up your room." She is tempted to throw up her hands in dismay, thinking it will go on like this forever. Then one day she walks into daughter's room, blinks her eyes, and stands there with her mouth opened wide in amazement. She pinches herself and cries, "I'm dreaming! It can't be! It's too good to be true!" For suddenly and unexpectedly she discovers a room as neat as a pin, with not a thing out of place.

"I would be prayerful through each busy moment. I would be constantly in touch with God. I would be tuned to hear His slightest whisper. I would have faith to keep the path Christ trod...."

AUTHOR UNKNOWN

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Larry drives a truck the year around, delivering oil to farmers throughout a wide area of southwestern Michigan. His ever-present smile bears testimony to his fellowship with the Divine. "He rides right there with me," he said, "right there in the seat."

Keeping close to God is the only way to insure true and enduring happiness.

We keep close to God by spending time alone with

Him. A wise way to begin the day is by conversing with the Lord. The longer private devotions are postponed, the easier they are omitted altogether. We cannot expect life to run smoothly unless we include Jesus Christ in all our plans and activities.

Prayer renews, revitalizes, unclutters, and connects us with God's wonderful Spirit. His love and his goodness. It is the lifeline of the Christian. Without it, he withers and dies. Rubbing elbows with skeptical unbelievers day after day and expending the nervous energy needed to combat the forces of Satan is exacting and exhausting. Christians need spiritual renewal as surely as they need physical nourishment and rest.

Many things in life are fleeting, but Jesus promised, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world" (Matt. 28:20). His Word cannot fail. Joy comes with that recognition.

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Spring theme for Women's club program

"A Sonnet in My Bonnet" was the title of a program presented to the Lowell Women's Club at Schneider Manor last Wednesday afternoon. Naomi Forkner of Grand Rapids delighted the women by reading a most interesting variety of her own compositions in verse. A Spring theme dominated the more serious of her offerings, but her audience chuckled over such goodies as, "Emily (Post) Rolls Over," which dealt with modern laxness in etiquette, and "Dilemma," a homemaker's nightmare.

The April birthdays of Priscilla Lussmyer, Irma Pasanen and Louise Schneider were duly recognized with a rousing Happy Birthday song.

Guests included Evelyn Barnes, Doris Myers, Mella

Saxton and Pauline Wittenbach. Also visiting was Willie Moore from Virginia, the mother of Rommie Moore, former YMCA director.

Following the meeting, refreshments were served by the tea committee consisting of Treva Johnson, chairman, Ruth Jones, Eleanor Kropf, Ruby Leeman, Zona Postma, and Connie Odell, Eunice VanderVeen and Margaret Ford.

Sponsor for the event was Maida Rose of Schneider Manor.

In the Service

Staff Sergeant Steven Hewitt is home on leave from the Azores Islands. His next duty station will be Ellsworth A.F.B., South Dakota, 45th Missile Security Squadron. He would like to see and hear from his friends while he is in the area. He will be staying with his parents, Pat and Mel Hewitt at 11381 Sara Street in Key Heights Trailer Park, Lot #101 or phone 897-5420.

Coast Guard Seaman Apprentice Edward D. Whyte, son of Nelson E. and Florence F. Whyte of 9710 84th SE, Alto, and whose wife, Cheryl, is the daughter of Donald H. and Doris Johnson of 6219 Scottville SE, Grand Rapids, Mich., has departed on a two-month Alaskan fisheries patrol.

He is a crewmember aboard the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Rush, homeported in Alameda, Calif.

During the patrol, the Rush will conduct surveillance operations with Coast Guard aircraft to enforce international treaties and U.S. laws, including the 200-mile fisheries conservation zone. More than 90 percent of all foreign fishing in the United States' 200-mile fisheries conservation zone takes place in Alaskan waters.

The Rush is a high endurance cutter and carries a crew of 155. It is equipped with guns, torpedo launchers and is outfitted with a landing platform for a search and rescue helicopter.

Flat River snowmobile club Easter egg hunt

Flat River Snowmobile Club held their Annual Easter Egg Hunt for the children and grandchildren of club members on Saturday, April 10 on the clubhouse grounds. Although the weather was a bit inclement thirty seven youngsters had a good time searching for twenty four dozen colored eggs and several plastic eggs that contained special prizes. Thirty

six mothers, daddys, grandparents and one great grandparent enjoyed the festivities with them. Besides numerous winners of money prizes were the winners of prizes from a drawing of names. These were Greg Will winning a Bunny Cake that was baked by Debbie Scheck. Large chocolate bunnies were won by Jenny Will and Andy Brooks.

A report by Ethel Kelly explained the ACCESS program (All-County Churches' Emergency Services System) by which services to the needy are coordinated through the churches of Kent County. This prevents the doubling up of aid to some families while others go without.

In addition to Mrs. Forkner's program, the annual arts and crafts show was featured. Club members' displays included quilts, afghans, needlework, ceramics and china painting. Of special interest was a photograph of the beautiful cross-stitch quilt that had been designed and sewn cooperatively by nearly half of the membership.

A plaque was presented to the Club by Ed Marshall, Club Delegate and District 9 Director to the Michigan Association of Recreational Snowmobilers. The Club received the plaque from MARS in recognition of their involvement in Community Affairs. Accepting for the Club was Jane Anible, Club Historian. Ed Marshall also received a plaque at the recent MARS Convention held in Clare, Mich. for Outstanding Director of the year. The Club received a Certificate from the National Reyes Syndrome Foundation acknowledging their participation in the Foundation's Fund Drive to find the cause and cure of Reyes Syndrome. There have been twenty-three cases of Reyes in Michigan so far this winter with seven deaths.

The Club is planning a Pancake Breakfast for their May meeting for the membership. Jane Anible will be in charge.

Portable heaters unsafe

In the interest of home fire safety, the State Police fire marshal division and local fire departments have joined in cautioning Michigan residents about use of portable kerosene and propane heaters as household heating supplements to hold down heating costs.

Fire officials say many households are using these heaters because of dramatic rise in home heating costs. They particularly emphasize that use of propane (LP-Gas) heaters for supplemental heat is prohibited by Michigan liquefied petroleum gas regulations. The state fire marshal's office in recent years has investigated incidents involving explosions resulting from propane containers being inside the home.

Regarding use of portable kerosene heaters, the fire officials advise the following safety precautions be observed:

Contact local building department to determine if use of heater is allowed by code in your community. If permitted, only kerosene heaters approved by a nationally recognized testing laboratory should be used.

The heaters are prohibited in schools, hospitals, nursing

homes, homes for the aged, and adult foster care homes.

Never substitute the heater for a central heating system.

Only use the heater in a well ventilated room to ensure an adequate oxygen supply. An inadequate oxygen supply may cause an accumulation of poisonous carbon monoxide gas.

The heater should be placed away from combustible materials (drapes, bedding, furniture). Care should be taken to prevent children or pets from coming in contact with the heater.

Never refuel the heater inside the home or while the heater is in operation or hot.

Never substitute fuel oils, diesel fuel, or gasoline in a heater designed for kerosene. Fire officials say there may be some inclination to do this because kerosene is not readily available in bulk quantities.

Smoke detectors should be installed in the home.

Persons having questions about portable heaters should contact D.Lt. E. Schmitt at the State Police fire marshal's office in Lansing (517) 322-1935, their local fire department, or their local building department.



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BIRTHS
Al and Phyllis Eckman are the proud parents of a baby girl. The baby was named Dixie Marie Eckman. She was born on April 1st and weighed in at 6 pounds, 15 ounces.
Debra and Dennis Anchors of Lowell wish to announce the birth of a son, Douglas Raymond on Sunday, April 18. He weighed 9 lbs., 5/2 ounces and was 22 inches long.
Douglas joins two sisters, Deanna and Dara. Grandparents are Joan and Darle Rickert of Lowell and Ray Anchors of Novi.

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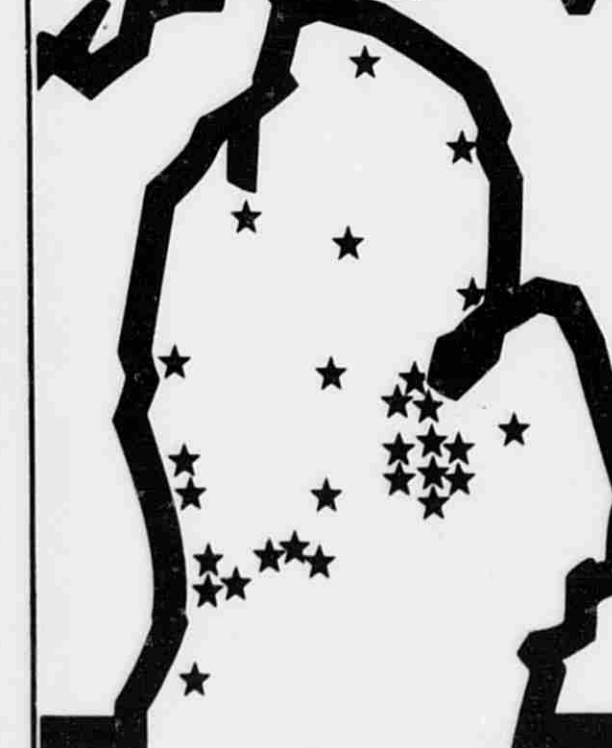
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Persons planting these varieties can provide food and shelter for wildlife, aid in soil conservation, establish windbreaks, and create landscape beauty.

The wildlife packages are available at \$14.98 each, plus \$1.50 for shipping from MUCC, Box 30235, Lansing, Mich. 48909.

MUCC, a nonprofit organization, uses proceeds from the program for its conservation and education projects.

"OUTDOORS" with Jack Friesner

Spring, the time of year when every man's fancy turns to fishing. I believe that's the way it goes, at least that's always been the case at our place. This Saturday, our annual trout opener, is probably more memorable in the minds of Michigan fishermen than is Christmas. The first day of trout fishing and deer hunting seasons have always been my favorite holidays.

I would like to share with you my outlook for the local opener. Probably the most productive stream in the area will be the Coldwater River, both below and above Freeport. Tributary streams such as Tyler and Duck Creeks and others will also be good. It has now been three years since the last D.N.R. poisoning and re-planting of brown trout in this stream, with subsequent seasonal releases since then. Most "brownies" will average in the 8-10" range, however a good number of 15-17" fish can be anticipated along with a few real trophy size trout of up to about seven pounds. A few rainbows will also be taken from the Coldwater, and a few brookies from some of the tributaries.

Another, probably more popular, and certainly more crowded brown stream is the Rogue River in the Rockford area. Extremely heavy D.N.R. plantings of this stream provides for an excellent put and take fishery. Personally if I were to fish these waters on opening day I would stay well away from the roads, near the headwaters. Many of the tributaries contain good numbers of brookies and browns. The nicest part about this stream is that if you become lonesome you can always drop downstream to the Childsdale dam and watch, or join in on, the steelhead circus.

The Bear Creek near Cannonsburg is another good brown stream, but access is a problem. This same problem also exists on Honey Creek north of Ada which contains a fair number of brookies. Many tributaries of the Grand and Flat rivers provide good brook trout fishing despite the fact that the salmon ascending these streams in the fall, have killed a great number of these fish.

The Flat river, between Fallsburg and Belding, could be a sleeper. Most local anglers are now aware that this stretch of river was stocked by the D.N.R. with a large number of rainbows two years ago, some of this release was brood stock fish of considerable size. This fishery has been largely neglected up to now but could produce some nice fish.

As of this writing water conditions for the opener cannot be anticipated. Generally speaking, live bait will be the most productive early in the season. Leaf or celery worms, crawlers, small minnows, baby crayfish and wigglers are all good as are many other naturals.

Please note that I was very careful not to name our local brook trout streams. I am afraid that, by Saturday, I might have so many fly rods wrapped around my neck that I couldn't fight my way through the brush.

If the steelhead aren't in local streams by next weekend I'm afraid that the run may never materialize. Most fish which are now being taken contain ripe spawn and some are already spawned out. The cold water conditions has held the migration off and the fish might be dropping their roe in the lower Grand and returning to the lake. Large numbers of big Lake Michigan rainbow or black suckers are being taken from the Grand below the sixth street dam. The white suckers and red horse are starting on the Grand and lower Flat Rivers at Lowell and will really pick up in the next week. Still very little panfish activity on local lakes, this should also be improving due to warming conditions.

I have already noted our slob and litter bugs at work along the Flat and Grand rivers. Many suckers, stone rollers and carp are discarded and left to die along our waterways. Very few things disgust and anger me more than this flagrant waste and disregard for our fish and wildlife. Every member of our wildlife society, fish included, have a definite place in the food chain and overall plans of nature. The individuals responsible for these actions certainly cannot be considered as sportsmen, fishermen, or hunters. They are slob, more concerned with raping and destroying the environment than they are in performing anything constructive. Most of you are not deserving of these accusations. But some of you are. Please utilize what you take, or leave it alone. Those of you who are taking home the steelhead and salmon and discarding the suckers and carp, are in fact, throwing away the steak and taking home the bologna. If you can carry your cans and wrappers full, down to the old fishing hole, you can sure as hell carry them home empty. I personally would like to see stronger anti-litter laws, and more importantly, see someone attempt to enforce them.

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FISHING CONDITIONS
The steelhead run is slow in developing due primarily to cold water. It will improve as soon as the weather warms a bit. It is felt that a little warm water is needed for them to negotiate the ladders.

The ice is out. For those that want to get out in the chilly weather, crappies, bluegills, and perch can be caught at this time of year.

Sucker dipping spearing is now in progress, but high waters make it a little difficult for those who wish to wade.



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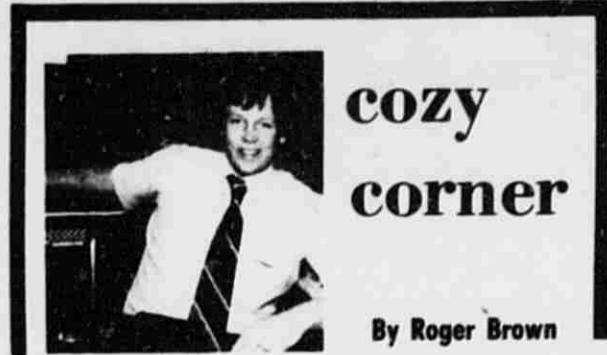
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By Roger Brown

A couple of weeks ago my wife's sister wasn't feeling well and her doctor prescribed lots of rest. That's a little hard to do when you have a house to see after and a twenty-month-old daughter who's still in diapers and into anything she can. So, we took them in for a few days. My sister-in-law pretty much hibernated in an upstairs bedroom and Amy was everywhere.

It's been about five years since we've had a kid that age and I'd almost forgotten how cute they are. At twenty months, Amy is a blond haired, blue eyed, cuddly little runt who is just learning to talk and is fascinated by her own voice. For lack of anything better to do, she spends most of her time mimicking whatever people around her are saying. If I said, "Angie's a meathead", Amy said, "Angie meathead". If I said, "Casey's a dummy", Amy said "Casey dummy". If I slipped and said, "##&\$\$#%&%", Amy said, "##&##%&?". I'm sure her mother will appreciate that!

Amy was intrigued by "Thor", our big Yellow Labrador Retriever (no, not a Golden Lab, there is no such thing, Golden Retrievers yes, but not Golden Labs, that's a pet peeve of mine). You remember Thor, he's been referred to as "the Marvelous Frisbee Catching Wonder Dog" in this column on numerous occasions. He only lives up to his reputation when he's outdoors, when inside he mostly sleeps, except when Amy was here. She made it her duty to use him as a "jungle gym" whenever and wherever he laid down, and the poor old boy couldn't find a spot to hide. Amy called him "Soar", and she pronounced it in her cute little way that no amount of pronunciation marks can describe. She perpetually followed that dog around the house muttering endearments that she had heard from us, such as, "Soar big dumb gog", "Soar stupid gog" and "Soar go way down". I'm sure he was glad to see her go.

Amy's affection for "Soar" was second only to her love for my kids. Being an only child (so far), she was delighted to have a big brother and sister for a week. I'm sure Thor couldn't wait for them to get home from school each day to save him from Amy's affection. Amy is an early riser and each day at about 4:30 a.m. we'd hear her wandering around in the hallway muttering, "Angie seepin'", "Casey seepin'", "Soar seepin'". No kidding Amy, no kidding.

Well, my sister-in-law got back on her feet, which is good, but that meant losing our little mocking bird. Although Thor probably would rather she didn't, as far as the rest of us are concerned, Amy's welcome to come stay with us anytime.

Track teams opened season in Caledonia

Lowell's track teams opened their 1982 season last week in Caledonia. With only one practice at the track, the girls' team showed a lot of potential.

Paula Doyle was Lowell's top scorer taking a first in the high jump, 2nd in the long jump and running a leg of the winning 800 meter relay. Kathy Wiseman showed improvement over last year as she took two seconds in the hurdles.

Lowell is trying to rebuild in the shot and discus. Gone from last year's squad is state ranked Kelly Dickerson. No one placed in these two events against Caledonia.

The following is a summary of those placing:

Arrows win season opener

Lowell High School softball team opened its 1982 season with a 19-7 victory over Grand Rapids Central. It marked the third consecutive year that the Arrows defeated Central in the opening game. Lowell scored in the first inning without the aid of a hit. Beth Beachum walked, stole second base and came home on two past balls. In the third, the Arrows scored 4 more runs, hit a single from Kerry Cosgrove driving in 2 runs. Central then came to life by tallying 6 runs on 3 hits and 3 walks to take a 6-5 lead after 4 innings.

The Red Arrows came right back to lead 7-6 with a lead off walk to Jackie Malone, a triple by Kathleen Beachler and a sacrifice fly by Ruth Bobko. A 10 run-out burst in the 5th sent the Rams home packing, as the

many of those placing: High Jump, 1st Paula Doyle; 2nd (tie) Kathy Kazemier. Long Jump, 2nd Paula Doyle. 100 m hurdles, 2nd Kathy Wiseman. 100 m dash, 2nd Brenda Lehigh. 800 m relay, 1st Lehigh, Doyle, Chris Hildenbrand, Sue Schoenborn. 400 m relay, 1st Lehigh, Theresa Taylor, Theresa Heintzman, Hildenbrand. 200 m hurdles, 2nd Wiseman. 400 m dash, 2nd Sue Schoenborn. 200 m run, 2nd Kathie Dey.

The next meet is at home on April 22 against Belding. Field events start at 4:00 with the running events at 4:30.

Engagement announced



Carol Gahan & Charles Schrenk

Mr. and Mrs. James Gahan of Parnell wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Carol Lee to Charles Thomas Schrenk.

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Comdure wins NMU award



Winner of the 1982 Student Marketing Award of Merit was Orin A. Comdure of Lowell, a senior at Northern Michigan University, Marquette. Presentation was made at the annual conference of the American Marketing Association (AMA) in St. Louis, MO. Comdure is shown with NMU Marketing professor, James Camerius, also the advisor of the NMU chapter of the AMA.

Orin A. Comdure, a senior at Northern Michigan University from Lowell, is recipient of the 1982 Student Marketing Award of Merit.

Presentation was made at the 21st Annual Marketing Conference of the American Marketing Association in St. Louis, Mo., following nationwide competition.

The award, made by the president of the St. Louis chapter of the AMA, was presented "in recognition of the outstanding student achievement in the field of marketing."

Comdure was one of over 800 students attending the conference from colleges and universities from throughout the country, and a member of a nine-person NMU delegation. They were accompanied by their advisor, Prof. James Camerius.

Earlier this year, Comdure won the Wall Street Journal's Student Achievement

Award. He was also named Outstanding marketing Student by the School of Business and Management at NMU, and the Outstanding Senior by the Department of Management and Marketing.

Comdure is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Comdure, 11641 McPherson, Lowell.

Lowell girl is a NMU, MVP

Eight Most Valuable Players and other award winners in varsity sports for men and women were named during Northern Michigan's annual spring sports banquet Thursday night (April 15) at the Don H. Bottum University Center.

Elected by her teammates as the Most Valuable Player on the varsity field hockey team was Deborah Canning of Lowell.

Barb Brown is appointed to Daley Trust committee

The Lowell City Council unanimously appointed Barbara Brown of 526 N. Hudson Street, Lowell as their second and last appointment to the five member committee to administer the City's portion of the Daley trust. They previously selected the mayor as a permanent appointment; currently Dean Collins. Dr. Orval McKay was appointed in the will and has agreed to serve on the committee. The other two

members are to be an appointment from the Lowell Congregational Church and a nurse or other professional person to be appointed by the other four members of the committee.

Barb is a longtime resident of Lowell and was a speech therapist in the Lowell School system for several years. She currently works as an Annuities Broker for the Michigan Education Association. Barb is a past board member of the Lowell Showboat.

Attwood Pres. visits capitol



Lowell businessman Don Rocheleau [r.] was in Washington DC at the beginning of April representing Attwood Corp. and the National Marine Manufacturers Association (NMMA) to carry views of concern of the recreational boating industry directly to Congress. Rocheleau is shown being welcomed to the nation's Capitol by NMMA Chairman Eddie Smith, Jr.

Alto man receives NMU honors



Roger Stanley [left] of Alto, a December, 1981 graduate of Northern Michigan University in Marquette, is the first recipient of the recently-established Henry S. Heimonen Award for Excellence in Geography. He is presently enrolled in the Graduate School at NMU. A conservation major, Stanley graduated summa cum laude with a grade point average of 3.97 out of a possible 4.0, and is the Geography Department's Outstanding Senior of the 1981-82 academic year. He is shown with Prof. Sten Taube, coordinator of the Heimonen award program. Stanley's name has been engraved on a permanent Departmental plaque, and he received a copy of the new "Geography of Michigan."

His wife is the former Joyce Benedict of Alto, and he is the son of James and Betty Stanley, Westgate Road, Howard City.

College students face aid cuts

Reagan proposals to cut Social Security benefits for low-income students could also affect many Grand Valley students, Fridsma said.

Currently about 360 students — 8 to 9 percent of Grand Valley's full-time enrollment — are receiving Social Security benefits. They would be subjected to a "double whammy", according to Fridsma, "because at the same time that their Social Security funds are being cut, other aid programs are also being reduced."

The Social Security cut-back is being phased in over a three-year period. Already, benefits have been cut to eight months per year; students can no longer receive funds for May, June, July or August. Benefits will be cut 25 percent each September for the next three years, starting in September 1982. Students will receive their last payments in April 1985.

Most students currently enrolled in high school would be ineligible from the program because, in order to be eligible, students must be enrolled as full-time college students by May, 1982.

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