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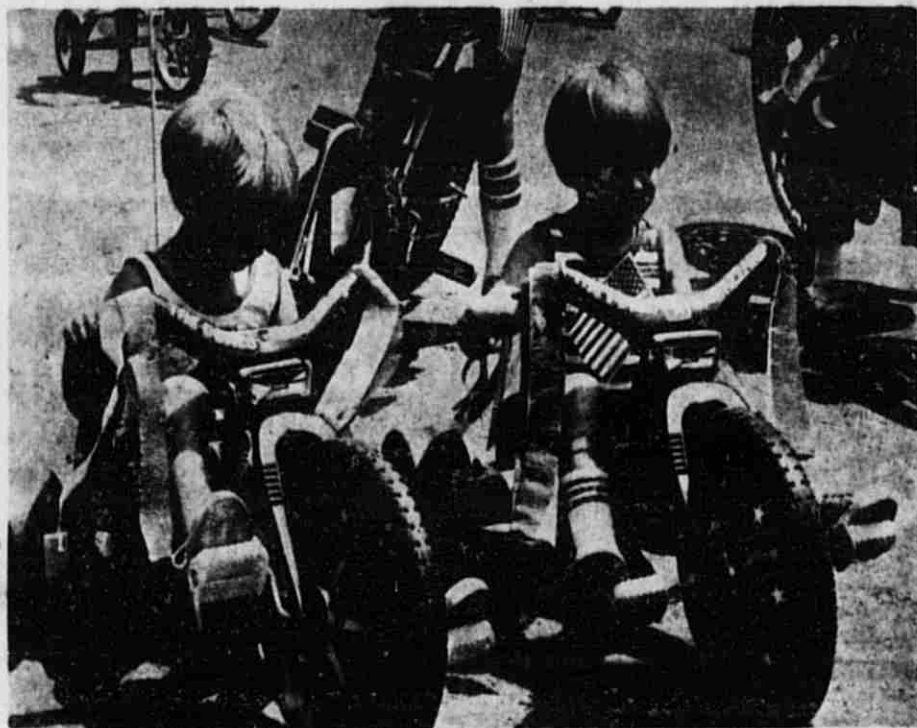
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Lowell's 4th is a huge success



With red, white and blue crepe paper strung from their handlebars, these two future CHIPs seemed to be taking their part in Sunday's parade very seriously.

The weatherman cooperated to make Lowell's annual Fourth of July celebration a whopping success. The day's festivities kicked off with a Main Street parade over an hour long. Bands, antique cars, floats, the Grand Valley

Corvette Club, horses, and a host of gaily decorated bicycles were just a few of the parade entries.

After the parade the festivities centered in Recreation Park where there were numerous food booths, a fire-

man's waterball contest, music, and activities for youngsters. The King Memorial Pool was open for a YMCA sponsored water carnival from 3 until 6 p.m. (see article in this issue for further details). The fireman's waterball competition in which opposing teams try to force a tethered beer keg into the opponents' territory, with high pressure water hoses, was won by the Middleville Fire Department.

Also in the competition was the Lowell and Alto departments. The Lowell women won the Bucket Brigade competition.

The volleyball tournament ended in a tie because of darkness. Curtis Cleaners and the Wing Dings came out on top.

The ever popular "Puff, Peddle and Paddle" competition was won by a team consisting of Mike Dey, Jim Doyle and Stephan Doyle. This event consists of a three mile running leg, (Puff), a three mile bicycling leg, (Peddle) and a canoe leg after which the bicycle is placed in the canoe and all three team members carry the canoe and bicycle over the finish line. Six teams competed in the event.

The day was capped off with a spectacular fireworks display that many spectators claimed was the best yet, in the 7 year history of Lowell's Fourth of July celebration.

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HARRINGTON RETIRES, SORT OF

Don Harrington of Ada whose byline has appeared in the Ledger, The East Press and Wonderland Magazine has retired after over 25 years with the Kent County Sheriff's Department. Though it's just speculation on our part, we wouldn't be surprised if we start seeing those bylines a little more often. Don's son Steve teaches outdoor education in the Lowell Area Schools and turns in frequent items to the Ledger. Congratulations Don, and keep that typewriter busy.

ATTENTION QUILTERS!!

July 12 through 16 ---- Attention LAAC Quilters! Work begins on the Fallasburg Fall Festival '82 quilt at 7 p.m. in the lower level, Congregational Church. Bring needles, thimble and scissors. Call Robyn (897-6706) or Dode (897-8545) if you can't attend the first session.

CITY OPEN TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The Lowell YMCA will be sponsoring the 2nd Annual Showboat City Open Tennis Tournament on Saturday, August 14 through Sunday, August 15. Events offered will be Men's and Women's singles and doubles. The action will take place at the high school courts on Foreman Street. Interested players should contact the Lowell YMCA office for information and registration forms.

Showboat starts Sat.

The Lowell Showboat takes a new look to the riverfront stadium this year as the Board of Directors seeks to diversify the offerings of the riverfront show. Rather than running for six nights of name entertainment, the board has decided to have four nights, Wednesday through Saturday, July 14-17 with Pearl Bailey and the other nights, Saturday July 10 through Tuesday July 13 filled with a variety of activities designed to please almost any taste.

On Saturday, July 10, a big parade kicks off the 50th year celebration of the Showboat at 2:00 p.m. Then at 3:00 a wood choppers contest featuring all kinds of contests will be held. At 9:00 p.m. an old fashioned Showboat made up of all of the regular features of the Showboat, the zany endmen, the chorus and six semi-pro and amateur acts will be presented at the amphitheatre. Starring that night will be several acts from around the West Michigan area including the Marsha Strong Dancers, the Comstock Park Sweet Adelines, Tempo '82, an "Andrews Sisters" type act with Donna Colligan, Lisa Poggi, and Lynne Karamel, all Catholic Central High grads Tom Hagen and the CJ singers, a group of young people from the Saranac and Ionia areas specializing in the music of the '50s and '60s. The theme of this old

fashioned Showboat is the music of the fifty years of Showboat. This old fashioned Showboat, complete with costuming of the era should make a tremendously entertaining and interesting family show.

On Sunday July 11, the Original Michigan Fiddlers Association will take to the Showboat stage for an old fashioned hoedown. Some of the finest fiddle players in the state are set to play during this four hour concert. Taking place in the great outdoor facility on the Flat River, this promises to be a real highlight of the celebration week. Showtime is 5:00 p.m.

Monday night the 12th it's Dixieland and bluegrass combined at the Showboat stage. Ragtime and Dixieland music will be provided by the Muscat Ramblers from Grand Rapids, one of the premier dixieland bands in the state. They'll be sharing the stage with the Hill People, another name entertainment group featuring bluegrass style music. It's a two hour concert beginning at 8 p.m.

Tuesday night the 13th, the Great Lakes Chorus and the Sweet Adelines team up in a benefit concert for the Lowell Showboat. Over 140 magnificent voices and 4 quartets will be providing a two hour show that should be just a treat for those in attendance. Showtime is 8:00

p.m. There is a separate admission for each event, but a series ticket can be purchased for just \$7.50 for all four nights. Call the Showboat ticket office at 897-9237.

Of course, the rest of the week, July 14-17 will see the regular Showboat performance with Pearl Bailey each evening. The show gets underway with the boat docking at 9:00 p.m.

Tickets for the Pearl Bailey show are available by calling the ticket office or at Herps at Wyoming Village Mall, Sears at Woodland, all Believe In Music stores, Hansens Music House in Greenville, Bosleys Drugs in Ionia, and Lippert Pharmacies in Lowell and Allegan.

Accident victim dies of injuries

Carrie Condon, 93, of Lowell died on Wednesday, June 30 as the result of injuries she sustained in an auto accident on Friday, June 25. Condon was a passenger in a vehicle driven by Elizabeth Ford, 78, also of Lowell. Ford's vehicle was making a left hand turn on Lincoln Lake Road just north of Three Mile and was struck by an oncoming vehicle driven by Gerald Weeks, 45, of Rockford.

Ford remains hospitalized at Butterworth and is listed in good condition. Weeks is still listed in critical condition at St. Mary's Hospital.

Macker Mania this weekend



Gus Macker rode through the July 4 parade in his limousine surrounded by body guards. The ninth annual new and ??? [I can't remember all those adjectives] Gus Macker Tournament is this weekend. The event annually draws thousands and with the Showboat's 50th Anniversary celebration the same weekend Lowell is going to be one hecava busy place.

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Obituaries

ACHESON - Shirley Acheson, aged 58, of Lowell, passed away June 29, 1982. She is survived by her son, Howard (Gail) Acheson Jr. of Lowell; grandchildren, Karen Saladiono and Ronald Acheson, many nieces and nephews. Funeral Services were Friday at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell, with Rev. William Amundsen of the First United Methodist Church officiating. Interment Oakwood Cemetery.

CONDON - Carrie Condon, aged 93, of Lowell, passed away June 30, 1982. She is survived by her son, Glenn D. Condon of Ft. McCoy, Fla.; and a sister, Elizabeth Ford of Lowell, and family; five grandchildren, 15 great

grandchildren, and six great great grandchildren. Funeral Services were held Saturday, July 3, at the Roth-Gerst funeral home, Dr. Richard Greenwood of the Lowell Congregational Church officiating. Interment Alton Cemetery. Carrie Condon will always be remembered for the loving care she gave to so many.

GUMSER - Walter W. Gumser Jr., age 24, of Columbus, Ohio passed away Sunday of accidental injuries; he

is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gumser Sr. of Dayton, Ohio; a brother, Michael Scott Gumser and a sister Mr. Tera Lee Delaware of Columbus, Ohio. Funeral services will be Thursday 1 p.m. at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell. Rev. Roy E. Wigal of Aldersgate United Methodist Church officiating. Interment Oakwood Cemetery. The family will meet friends Wednesday 7-9 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Aldersgate United Methodist Church Youth Fund, Dayton, Ohio.

wife, M. Kris Myaard; his children, Mara S. McLaughlin of Ada, Mark E. Myaard of Cascade, Kara L. Davis of Lowell, and James K. Myaard of Ada; three grandchildren, Sara E., Carla L. Davis and Thomas Bosscher; two sisters, Mrs. Sherwin (Ruth) Walter of Holland, and Mrs. Glenn (Lila) Bouwens of Zeeland; four step daughters; and nieces and nephews. Services were held Friday afternoon at the funeral chapel, with Robert J. Lignell of Faith Lutheran Church officiating. Committal Services were held Friday afternoon in Forest Grove Cemetery.

SARANAC, Mrs. Richard (Shirley) Swiger, Saranac: 17 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren. Services were held Friday at the Galilee Baptist Church in Saranac with Rev. James Frank L. officiating. Interment Saranac Cemetery. Anyone wishing any contributions to the Saranac Library or the Galilee Baptist Church.

WINGEIER - Mrs. Margaret Wingeier Steude aged 77. Former resident of Oshkosh, Wisconsin died June 18, 1982 St James City, Florida. Born in Alto, Michigan, January 11, 1905. Daughter of Daniel & Rose Wingeier. Survived by her husband John, 2 daughters, Mrs. Dale (Sara Jane) Landry of St. Louis, MO.; Mrs. James (Karen) Warningsham, Ann Arbor, MI.; one son William and Georgine Steude, A Arbor; one brother Daniel, Alto, MI, 3 sisters, Sarah Ford, Grand Rapids, MI; Ida Washburn, Holland; Rose Steinhilber, Oshkosh, Wisconsin; 8 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Grave side services were held at the Riverside Cemetery Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

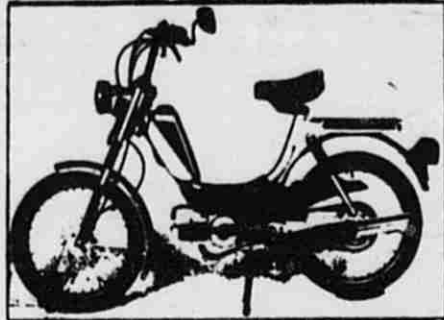
TALCOTT - Gertrude P. Talcott, aged 82, of Saranac, passed away Tuesday evening at St. Mary's Hospital. She was born in Saranac, August 30, 1899, she was a member of Women's Auxiliary of Saranac, married Keith Talcott April 24, 1920, who preceded her in death in 1959. She is survived by two sons, William E. of Saranac, David K of Saranac, one son Charles preceded in death 1974; three daughters, Kerwin (Jeanne) Knop, Saranac, Mrs. Joe (Patricia) Wyman,

MELLE - Orson Melle, aged 69, of Lowell, passed away July 1, 1982. He was born June 25, 1913, at Six Lakes, MI, and moved to Lowell at an early age. He owned and operated a well drilling business for 25 years. After selling his business, he worked for Root-Loell Mfg. Co. and retired in 1979. He is survived by his wife, Ilah; a daughter, Susan Menefee of Grand Rapids; three grandchildren, Linda, Christopher, and Russell; one sister, Florence Peters of Ada; two brothers, Charles Melle of Lowell and Orville Melle of Houghton Lake; and several nieces and nephews. Memorial Funeral Services were Saturday at 2 p.m. with Rev. William Amundsen of the First United Methodist Church officiating.

MYAARD - Howard J. (Jim) Myaard, aged 57, of 2114 Melita NE., passed away Wednesday evening, June 30, 1982 at St. Mary's Hospital. He is survived by his

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Prepared by the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants. Police statistics show that burglary activity increased during August vacations. Protecting your possessions and your family is essential and it can be economical.

A professionally installed, sophisticated security system can cost thousands of dollars, but you can protect your home adequately for much less. Survey your home to determine security needs, and invest in security devices that are most cost-effective. FBI statistics report 82 percent of illegal entries are gained through doors, most often the front door. Although, police say, locks are not reliable deterrents, they may persuade burglars to find an easier target.

A second lock, such as a dead bolt, can provide further protection for another \$45 to \$75. You might want to protect the lock itself with a \$25 plate.

Even if you stop a thief from breaking the lock, you might not prevent other attempts at breaking the door. Doors can be reinforced with steel sheets (\$90 to \$120) or plywood. Or you could install a metal-clad or steel door and frame for about \$600.

Sliding glass doors and windows can also be secured. Bars which prevent forced opening of sliding doors cost about \$30 apiece. Windows can be secured by metal gates (\$60 to \$150), fastened by locks that can cost another \$150. You can permanently lock your upper window sash with long nails or screws for only a few dollars.

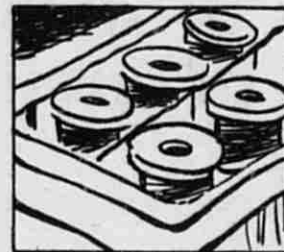
Experts believe many thieves rob on impulse and are easily scared away by lights or sound. Timers that turn lights on automatically cost only \$20, and there are two basic types of security systems that aren't prohibitively expensive, especially if you install them yourself.

Perimeter systems protect your home against invasion by monitoring entry points. Wired or wireless sensors attached to doors and windows trigger the alarm when the contact is broken. So your cost depends, in part, on how many windows and doors you have. While the wired system is more complicated and more difficult to install than the wireless system, its cost is generally lower.

When comparing systems, price the central control unit which includes the cost of the alarm, although the alarm may be housed separately. A wired control runs about \$80 to \$150, with an additional cost per sensor of about \$10 to \$20. (Some sensors may be included) Extra wire is minimal - \$6 to \$8 per 100 feet. But don't forget to include the cost of the battery, usually less than \$25.

YMCA water carnival winners

There were over ninety entries in the YMCA 4th of July Water Carnival Best Dive from the low dive was Mia Dreiger, Tonya Stepek second best, and Mary Brown third best. Best Dive on the High Dive (3 meter board) was Tony Stepek, John Selders second best, and John Overbeck third best. The biggest splash on the low dive was Angie Fonger, with second biggest splash Shane Smith, and third biggest splash Mark Vanderbilt. Biggest splash from the high dive was John Selders, with second biggest splash Tony Stepek, and third biggest Steve Selders. Both the inner-tube relay and crazy relay was captured by a strong team of John Selders, Steve Selders, Tony Stepek, and John Overbeck. Twenty youth participated in the water volley and watermelon game. Due to the good turn out, next year the YMCA hopes to have age group categories in each event. Congratulations to all the winners and participants on good swimming. The next special event at the King Memorial Pool will be the Free City Swim Meet on Saturday, July 31.



Sewing box a tangled mess of spools and threads? Use discarded egg cartons as nifty compartments for spools.

Coming Events

MON., JULY 12: The Golden Swingers will meet for potluck supper at 6 p.m. at the Fallsburg Park Pavilion. Bring own service, a dish to pass and own beverage. All Welcome.

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

JULY 12, 13 and 15 The Ionia County Chapter of the American Red Cross will hold a basic life support course in CPR from 6:30 till 9:30 P.M. at the Saranac

High School. \$5.00 charge to cover cost of materials. To Register call 897-9679.

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AUGUST 21: The Lowell Class of 1977's 5 year Reunion. More details to follow.

JUNE 26-JULY 24: Six Saturdays in a row there will be Free Lowell City Open Swims from 10 A.M. until

12:00. On Saturday July 31 there will be a Free City Swim meet from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00, at King Memorial Pool.

Regular open swims will continue on Saturday and Sunday from 1:00 to 3:00 and adult/Family open swims from 3:00 to 5:00 by gate admission or seasonal pass.

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A BLUE SUEDE SHOWS PRODUCTION

Christian Drama group to perform

HIS Company (Honoring Christian drama troupe from Fort Wayne, Indiana, will be In Service), a five-member Fort Wayne Bible College, performing at the Missionary



HIS Company — a Christian drama troupe from Fort Wayne Bible College is touring throughout the Midwest and Western United States this summer. Members are: 1st row (left to right), Duane Maboe, Cathy Smidt, Cindy Nantz; 2nd row: Mark Vincent, Sonja Strahm, (director), Neil Herrberg.

RX For Happiness

Joy, someone has suggested, is Jesus, first; Others, second, and Yourself, last. Jesus told us the way to "inherit eternal life" is to "love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself" (Luke 10:27). We have discussed giving God first place in our lives. We are now ready to look at



Through the process of seed selections (cultivating superior plants) the Chinese developed the chrysanthemum from the daisy.

the remaining two requisites for joyful living. Before we pursue the matter of loving others, let us first consider the aspects of loving "thyself."

"Know thyself," Socrates advised. It is by understanding himself that man is able to understand and live more successfully with his fellow-men.

"In order to judge of the inside of others, study your own; for men in general are very much alike, and though one has one prevailing passion, and another has another, yet their operations are much the same; and whatever engages or disgusts, pleases, or offends you in others, will engage, disgust, please or offend others in you," said Philip Chesterfield, 18th-century orator and wit.

King Solomon recognized the role self-understanding plays in the matter of happiness. He observed, "Understanding is a wellspring of life unto him that hath it" (Prov. 16:22).

Human beings are more or less alike because all possess the same basic urges and

needs. Still each is also unique, a distinct one-of-a-kind creation, fashioned by the imaginative hand of God. By understanding our individual differences, we are better able to make the most of what God has given us.

Understanding one's aptitudes, capabilities, and strengths enables one to make a greater contribution to life. Understanding one's weaknesses and limitations prevents discouragement, frustration, and failure.

Self-understanding precedes healing. Before a person can receive spiritual satisfaction, he must recognize that he is a sinner and in need of God's forgiveness. Self-understanding is also necessary for the relief of illness today.

This article is an excerpt from the author's book, RX for Happiness, published by Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City, 1978. Price: \$2.50 Pauline E. Spray's books may be purchased at Baker Book House, Paris and 28th, Grand Rapids. Also ask for them at The Bookworm, Zondervan's and Kregel's.

Strahm, the goal of HIS Company is to effectively communicate with drama that always honors God. "Our goal is to relate Jesus Christ to today's world in understandable, contemporary biblical communications," she said.

Members of the drama troupe are Cathy Smidt, Neil Herrberg, Duane Maboe, Mark Vincent, all of Fort Wayne, and Cindy Nantz of Elkhart, Indiana.

Fort Wayne Bible College is a co-educational four-year college training Christian young men and women for service in fields of teacher education, missions, Christian education, pastoral ministries, music education, missionary nursing, Christian social work, and business administration.

Church, 10501 Settlement Drive, Lowell, on Friday, July 9th at 7:30 p.m. Pastor Glenn Marks invites the public to attend.

HIS Company is touring this area of the United States this summer appearing before churches, camps, conferences, and community organizations with a variety of programs. The group's ministry includes biblical dramas, dramalogues, and puppetry. They are being directed by Miss Sonja S. Strahm, Assistant Professor of English. Christian drama, and art at Fort Wayne Bible College. According to Miss

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... I am the Lord. I change not... (Malachi 3:6).
Worry is a man (and woman) killer. People every-

where are wasting time, energy, and spiritual power because they are continually fretting and worrying. "What if I lose my job?" "What if we should have another depression?" On and on their questions go.

God has given us many things to enjoy; His gifts can never be taken from us as long as this world stands — downy clouds floating leisurely through a soft blue sky, crystal clear water to cool a parched and feverish tongue, a gentle breeze to soothe a perspiring brow on a hot July day, the velvety carpet of grass in early spring, the accent of blossoms gay, the perfume of newly mown hay, the sunrise and sunset in riotous splendor, stars twinkling like diamonds against navy blue velvet, a golden moon on a crisp autumn night, and the resplendent sun in early summer.

But, best of all, the God who gave these gifts will never change. His love will remain the same — forever. He will continue to give freedom from care, providing we trust Him implicitly. We need not die from anxiety. If our confidence is in Him, "we can live without worry."

Prayer: O Lord, I know Thou canst care for me. Thou canst supply all my needs. I surrender my worries to Thee. I shall trust and not be anxious. Amen.

Take the world, but give me Jesus.

In His cross my trust shall be.

Till, with clearer, brighter vision,
Face to face my Lord I see.
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| BETHANY BIBLE CHURCH 3900 East Fulton REV. RAYMOND E. BEFUS Morning Worship 9:50 A.M. (Broadcast 10 A.M. WMAZ 1470) Sunday School 11:15 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Wednesday Service 7:30 P.M. | CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH OF LOWELL 1151 West Main Street - 897-8841 REV. RICHARD VANDEKIEFT Worship Service 10 A.M. & 6 P.M. Sunday School 11:15 A.M. Supervised Nursery During All Services | CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE OF LOWELL 201 North Washington Street REV. WILLIAM F. HURT Church School 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Wednesday Mid-Week Service Jr. Teens, Adults 7:00 P.M. Nursery - Come & Worship With Us | FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL 2275 West Main Street Sunday School 9:45 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Jr. High Youth Group 5:30 P.M. Evening Service 7:00 P.M. Sr. High Youth Group 8:15 P.M. Wednesday Family Hour 7:30 P.M. DR. DARRELL WILSON - 897-5300 | REORGANIZED CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS 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. |
| SARANAC COMMUNITY CHURCH (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 | ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH 402 N. Armit FR. THOMAS SCHILLER PASTOR NEW HOURS Saturday Mass 5:30 P.M. Sunday Mass 9 & 11 A.M. | TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH (L.C.A.) REV. Dr. James G. Cobb, Pastor Ronald McCallum, Seminary Intern 2700 E. Fulton Worship Service 9:30 A.M. Nursery Provided - Barrier Free | VERGENNES UNITED METHODIST Corner Parnell & 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" | WEDDING INVITATIONS & Napkins available at the Grand Valley Ledger, 105 N. Broadway, Lowell. |

The Captain's Quarters Central Michigan honors student

by Forrest Buck

A meeting was held about a month ago to prepare for Showboat's 50th anniversary. At that time we had six endmen. (I wonder why they still call us endmen. Endmen belong to a Minstrel show. Our show is no longer Minstrel. More about that later.) Two fine young men, Randy Adams, and Steve Dickerson, are no longer with us. Randy has taken employment out of state, and Steve had to drop out for health reasons. Your endmen for this year will be Dick McNeal, Terry Fenech, Terry Buck, and myself.

Over the year, I have been asked, "What have you enjoyed most about Showboat?" First of all, it gave me an opportunity to come in contact with some fine people. This I enjoyed. Secondly, I have always been very fond of Dixieland music. This brings us back to Minstrel, one who sings negro melodies in blackface. Some people take offense to blackface. I don't understand why. When you copy someone you portray their virtues, and after Al Jolson, a Jewish man rocketed to the top of the entertainment world doing blackface. He was well accepted. When they took the color out of Showboat, it left a void as far as I am concerned. Louis Armstrong, told me in person that it is sacrilegious to put on minstrel in whiteface. Nuff said.

During the past 50 years the entertainers who have played the Lowell Showboat reads like the who's who in show business. They have been great, just to name a few; Louis Armstrong, Dinah Shore, George Gobel, Jerry Reed, The Step Brothers, Steve Allen & Jayne Meadows and of course Pearl Bailey, and many many others. Most of these have appeared only once. The greatest star of all Showboats, will have appeared counting this year 47 years. The greatest star of all, is



none other than the Robert E. Lee, itself. The first Showboat in 1932 was named the George Washington. In 1935 a new boat was built and it was christened the ROBERT E. LEE. The name was good in 1935 and it has stuck ever since, even to 1982. "Long Live the ROBERT E. LEE."

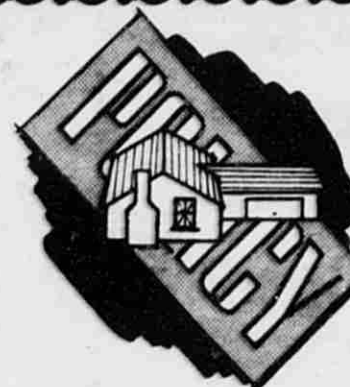
On August 19, 1978 an early morning storm completely destroyed that Robert E. Lee. Gloom was everywhere and with tears in their eyes the question on everyone's lips was not whether this or that star would ever play Lowell again. The question was, "Will there be another Showboat?" The present Robert E. Lee answers that question. With Don Rocheleau, acting as chairman, the funds began to pour in. Large industries, organizations and civic groups and individuals came to the rescue, dollars from many and nickles and dimes from others. The money was raised.

Jim Hall and Ivan Blough, spent many hours designing this project. The results, an almost exact copy of the famous Disney Land riverboat. I for one am proud, and I believe we all are. What would Holland be without its tulips, or Traverse City without its cherries, and Niagra, without its falls, and what would the Lowell Showboat be without the Robert E. Lee? It is now and has been the greatest star for 50 years.

Now is the time to get your tickets for the one nighters, Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Don't miss Pearl Bailey, and Louis Bellon Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

See you There. "Bucky"

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VA loan guaranty program

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Under this new mortgage concept, loans are arranged to mature much earlier than standard 30-year mortgages. In some cases the loan could be satisfied in 11 years, even though early mortgage payments are in the same amount as those for a 30-year loan.

This early payoff results from a gradual increase in mortgage payments, typically no more than 3 to 5 percent each year. Unlike variable interest rate mortgages, however, all of the payment increase is applied to principal rather than interest, resulting in an accelerated reduction in the loan balance.

In addition to an early payoff of a GEM, another advantage to the borrower is that the investment in the property grows rapidly at a relatively low monthly cost. Lenders also benefit by receiving an early payback of capital and a lessening risk of loss as the property equity quickly increases.

Like other types of VA financing, VA-guaranteed GEMs are obtained through mortgage lenders and other

residential loan sources.

OPEN LETTER

Dear friends,
A properly prepared Will enables you to distribute your estate after death exactly as you wish. Members of your family and other loved ones may be remembered — bequests to your church, charities, and organizations will be distributed as you direct — your personal wishes fulfilled as you specify.
Respectfully,

David Gerst



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When I examined the 1982 Winter Semester Honors List, I was delighted to find your name included in this group of outstanding students. Your achievement ranks you in the top ten percent of the Sophomore class for Winter Semester.

Needless to say, superior scholarship is not only a source of pride to you and your family but to your University as well. Therefore, it is my pleasure to congratulate you on your academic achievement and wish you continued success in the future.

Sincerely,
James L. Hill
Vice President for Student Affairs

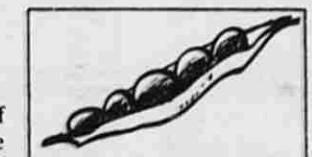
K College commencement

Kalamazoo College held its 146th annual Commencement ceremonies on Saturday, June 12. More than 300 members of the Kalamazoo College Class of 1982 participated in the Commencement exercises.

Graduating from this area was John Hosley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Hosley, 607 N. Washington; graduating cum laude (3.50 grade point and above).

Dean's List

Paul Andrew Baerwalde of Lowell was named to the Dean's List for the 1982 Spring semester at Grand Rapids, Junior College. He is the son of David and Theresa Baerwalde.



The wisteria, the string bean and the locust tree are all members of the same family, producing similar seed pods.

Lowell Showboat 50th July, 1982

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5:00 P.M. Riverside School Grounds * Free 4:00 - 8:30 P.M. Riverside

11- "ORIGINAL" MICHIGAN FIDDLERS ASSOCIATION
5:00 P.M. * Amphitheatre * \$1

12- VARIETY - "MUSCAT RAMBLERS" & "THE HILL PEOPLE"
8:00 P.M. * Amphitheatre * \$2.50

13- "GREAT LAKES CHORUS" & "SWEET ADELINES"
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REGISTRATION NOTICE

FOR

GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION

TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1982

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF: The City of Lowell, Lowell Township, Vergennes Township, Bowne Township and Grattan Township, County of Kent, State of Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT OFFICIALS WILL BE AT THESE OFFICES ON

MONDAY, JULY 12, 1982 - - LAST DAY FROM 8 O'CLOCK A.M. UNTIL 8 O'CLOCK P.M. THE 30th DAY PRECEDING SAID ELECTION

As provided by Section 498, Act No. 116, Public Acts of 1954 As Amended.

VERGENNES TOWNSHIP

Corner of Bailey Drive and Parnell Avenue
Tuesdays 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., other weekdays call Township Clerk Linda Biggs for an appointment, 897-8820. Monday, July 12 from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.
Linda Biggs, Clerk
Vergennes Township

LOWELL TOWNSHIP

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Open Monday thru Friday (Closed Wednesday) 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and on Monday July 12, from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.
Carol Wells, Clerk
Lowell Township

CITY OF LOWELL

301 East Main Street, Lowell, Michigan
Normal office hours and from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Monday, July 12.
Ray E. Quada
City Clerk

For the purposes of REVIEWING the REGISTRATION and REGISTERING such of the qualified electors in said TOWNSHIP, CITY or VILLAGE as SHALL PROPERLY apply thereof.

The name of no person but an ACTUAL RESIDENT of the precinct at the time of registration and entitled under the Constitution, if remaining such resident, to vote at the next election, shall be entered in the registration book.

GRATTAN TOWNSHIP

Village of Grattan, Grattan Township Hall
Registrations will be taken at the residence of Township Clerk Pat Malone, phone 691-8834 for appointment.
Pat Malone, Clerk
Grattan Township

BOWNE TOWNSHIP

6059 Linfield
Office open 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays and in the Clerk's home at 8793 Alden Nash, Alto from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Monday, July 12.
Sandra Kowalczyk, Clerk
Bowne Township

Saranac High School Honor Roll

4th Quarter 1981-82

12th Grade
ALL A's
Carrie Bush, Polly Emelander, Stephanie Kimball, Carol Mutschler, Martha Smith, Melody Stahl.

A's & B's
Don Bignall, Jodi Carigon, Julie Coulier, Lisa Eddy, Cris Gates, Art Hotchkiss, Barb Snay.

A's, B's & 1 C
Glen Cornelisse, Kelly Denny, Scott Mogdis, Barb Risher, Pam Sprague, Carol Warner, Keri Whipple.

11th Grade
ALL A's
Becky Borup, Sheri Fahrni, Cindy Geiger, Becky Jorgensen, Laura Rickert, Heidi Smith, Jean White, Teresa White, Brenda Wiczorek.

A's & B's
John Bateman, Kris Cantu, Kim Coulson, Sonja Donovan, Julie Emelander, Jill Hendricks, Bob Larsen, Valerie Lewis, Tony McCaul, Allison McPherson, Bonnie Meyers, Marliou Mulder, Dan Simmons, Kim Sweet, Bill Williams.

A's, B's & 1 C
Kris Clouser, Becky Coulier, Wanda Curtiss, Bonna Ellison, Mary Goss, Christi Grieves, Laura Merritt, Jennifer Rose, Don Shoen, Nelson Terburgh.

10th Grade
Scott Bauman, Selina Stahl, Karen Vargo.

A's & B's
Rick Bush, Tracey Carigon, John DeYoung, Chris Freeman, Dawn Leslie, Craig Lowetz, Esther Mutchler, Judy Overbeck, Angie Reagan.

A's, B's & 1 C
Gary Heilman, Michelle Huyser, Lisa Kingsley, Deb McIntire, Jill Quinn.

9th Grade
All A's
Jess Mutschler, Colleen Rose, Jill Sage, Kathleen Seiler, Becky Simmons.

A's & B's
Lori Frazer, Michelle Harrington, Colleen Jackson, Eric Jorgensen, Laura Lepien, Brenda Longwell, Eric MacDonald, Denise Meyers, Beth Mutschler, Mike Nystrom, Janet Ogle, Maureen Simpson, Kelly Weeks.

A's, B's & 1 C
Matt Batchelor, Sean Coble, Bart Denny, Patsy George, Lori Jacobson, Dawn Potter, Julie Pritchard, Becky Schneider, Bob Sluiter, Maria Williams, Peggy Willison, Roxanne Wright.

8th Grade
All A's
Marcia Davenport, Angie Smit, Russ Tiejema.

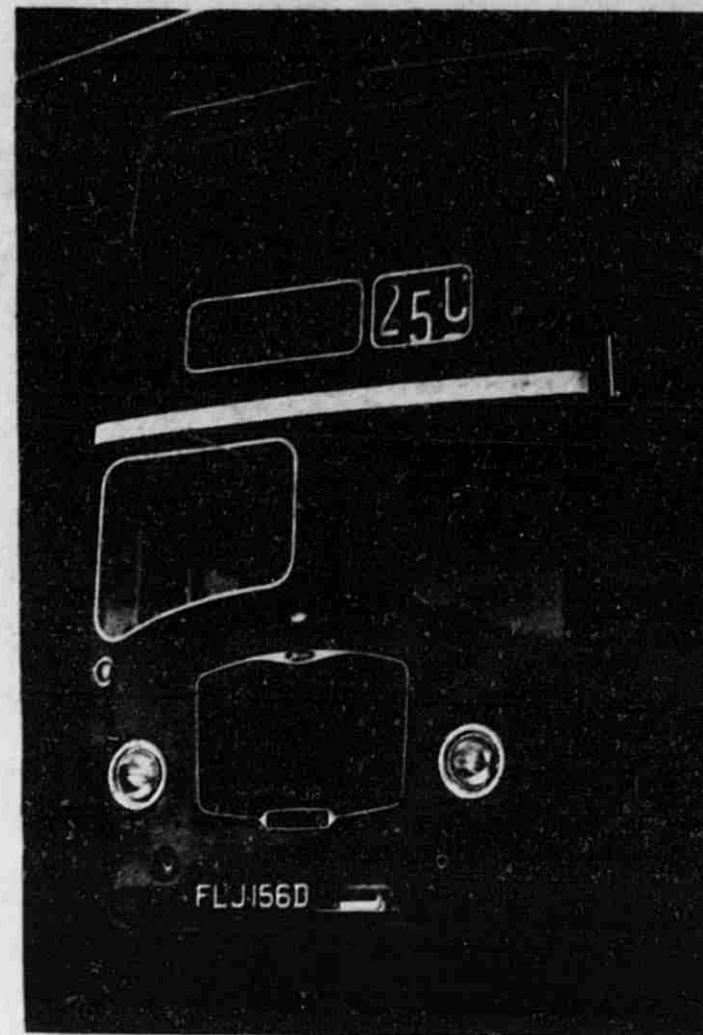
A's & B's
Brian Anderson, Brenda Clover, Doug Eddy, Lisa Fisher, Tanya Garofalo, Susan Geiger, Clark Harrington, Brian Hopkins, Krista Kesky, Stephanie Longwell, Blaine Lowetz, Amy McLeod, Christy Melle, Lyn Renwick, Terry Smith.

A's, B's & 1 C
Linda Champagne, Suzette Flugger, Heather Freeman, Rich Grant, Ron Kietzman, Lydia Niemala, Tina Visser, Becky Wood.

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"Fun Wagon" new G-R attraction



Still displaying the route sign from its years on the streets of London, the bright red two-story Tootsie Fun Wagon will now cover three downtown Grand Rapids routes during lunch hours Monday through Friday. Beginning and ending at Tootsie's, the free service extends from the Gerald R. Ford Museum on the west side to Junior College on the east, and from the Grand Rapids Press on the north to Sietec's downtown on the south. Schedules are available on the big bus.



The flying dragon is a lizard that lives in Asia and the East Indies. It can spread out folds of skin to form "wings" which it uses to glide through the air from tree to tree.

Grattan Township NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING

GRATTAN TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REGULAR MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing of the Grattan Township Zoning Board of Appeals will be held

JULY 14, 1982

in the Grattan Township Hall in Grattan, at 8:00 P.M. at which time the following subjects will be considered and at which time any interested persons will be heard.

1. Valdis Taurins. Parcel #41-12-33-101-018. Property located on Murray Lake. Variance to continue placement of a travel trailer.
2. James Inman. Parcel #41-12-33-408-012. Property located on Murray Lake Island. Variance to build pole building for equipment.
3. E.J. Faesen. Parcel #41-12-09-100-002. Property is Grattan Race Track. Variance to use property for a farm market and flea market.

Joyce Oberlin, Secretary
Grattan Township Zoning Board of Appeals

Cheers for whistler's father

Long before the throaty sound of the diesel locomotive air horn became a part of the railroading scene, there was the piercing shriek of the steam locomotive whistle. Many people still miss the wail of the old steam-powered locomotives. But a century-and-a-half ago, when the whistle made its debut on the railroad, few citizens appreciated the shriek of the whistle. It scared cattle, startled horses and was considered a general

nuisance. An account in a yellowing issue of the Delaware Journal sheds some light on why some people were less than enthusiastic when railroads began substituting whistles for the traditional bells on the iron horses. The item reads: "The locomotive was provided with a steam whistle, an instrument whose piercing, shrill sound may be heard at a distance of at least a mile and gives awful notice of its approach."

The locomotive steam whistle was invented by the father of James Abbott McNeil Whistler, the American artist who painted the famous "Whistler's Mother." The elder Whistler, George Washington Whistler, was a well-known engineer and a musician when he was asked by a railroad, in 1836, to develop a warning device that would replace manually-operated bells.

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In The Service...



Mark Homolka

Airman Mark A. Homolka, son of Milton M. and Beverly L. Homolka of 429 High, Lowell, has been assigned to Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, after completing Air Force basic training.

During the six weeks at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree in applied science through the Community College of the Air Force.

The airman will now receive specialized instruction in the aircraft maintenance field.

He is a 1980 graduate of Lowell High School.

Airman Tod S. Clark, son of Peggy J. Peacock of 712 Pine St., Big Rapids, Mich., and Robert J. Peacock of 304 Shawnee Drive, Saranac, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force electronic warfare systems specialists course.

Clark will now serve with the 81st component Repair Squadron at RAF Bentwaters, England.

He is a 1980 graduate of Pine River High School, Leroy, Mich.

Airman David M. Randall, son of Harvey M. Randall of 11100 Gibson S.E., Albuquerque, N.M., and Ruth G. Seiler of 6125 Riverside Drive, Saranac, Mich., has graduated from the U.S. Air Force avionics navigation systems course at Keesler Air Force Base, Miss.

Graduates of the course were taught basic navigation, maintenance of radio and radar avionics navigation systems and earned credits toward an associated degree in applied science through

the Community College of the Air Force.

Randall will now serve at Altus Air Force Base, Okla., with the 443rd Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.

He is a 1979 graduate of Highland High School, Albuquerque.

Kids' Kiosk panels

Two new kiosk panels were recently completed and hung as permanent designs alternating with LAAC activities. The project was sponsored by the Lowell Area Arts Council.

The panels are graphic composites of delightful sixth grade students' drawings (class of '87) done in the spring of 1981 during art class at the Lowell Middle School.

The yellow-orange panel depicts the south side of Lowell and includes the bank, photographic studio, house, depot, fire station, King Milling Co., Lowell Fairgrounds and a vintage car.

The yellow-green panel portrays the north side of Lowell showing Main Street bridge, clothing store, grocery store, cattail bend, church, Riverside School, Post Office, Lowell Showboat, Fallasburg Park, covered bridge, barn in the countryside and more vintage cars.

Each individual drawing was arranged in a total design and transferred to each panel and painted with exterior house paint by Karen Lambert, students' art teacher. The panels stand as a tribute to a once flourishing art room at the Lowell Middle School which now stands idle — a victim of the budgetary axe!

Marsha Strong Dancers



Above are four members of the Marsha Strong Dancers, a professional dance act that will perform in the old fashioned Showboat, Saturday, July 10th. Sixteen dancers will be participating in this opening act that has been created especially for this Lowell Showboat appearance.

Legal Notices

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 neglected 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, 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 temporary wards of the Court."

Child: Tina & Navesa Casler
Hearing: July 12, 1982 at 11:00 a.m.
Petitioner: Dennis Hoes

Child: Arlene Kulkstra
Hearing: August 2, 1982 at 11:00 a.m.
Petitioner: Diane Gillman

Child: Sue Arlene Cook
Hearing: August 5, 1982 at 2:00 p.m.
Petitioner: Barbara Bush

Child: Patrick Schulling
Hearing: August 5, 1982 at 2:00 p.m.
Petitioner: William Slabubiere

Child: Kathleen Augustine
Hearing: July 29, 1982 at 11:00 a.m.
Petitioner: Renee Kasprzak

Date: June 30, 1982
Publication in the Grand Valley Ledger once at least one week prior to the hearing date is ordered.

JOHN P. STIKETEE
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Child: Michael Lee Sabus
Hearing: July 29, 1982 at 9:30 a.m.
Petitioner: Gwelo Portschke

Child: William Lee, Lee Edward & Sherrylla Michelle Moore
Petitioner: Thomas Nelson

Date: June 30, 1982
Publication in the Grand Valley Ledger once at least one week prior to the hearing date is ordered.

JOHN P. STIKETEE
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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

SOLICITATION FOR BIDS
The Kent County Purchasing Department is soliciting bids for the items listed below. Detailed specifications are available at the Purchasing Office Room 227, County Administration Building, 300 Monroe Avenue N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503. The bids will be publicly opened in the Purchasing Office at the time designated below. The County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids as it seems to be in its best interests.

Bid For: Typewriting & Printing Patient Information Booklets. To be received by Friday, July 16, 1982 at 10:00 a.m.

Bid For: Leather Good for KC Sheriff's Dept. To be received by Wed., July 14, 1982 at 10:00 a.m.

Bid For: Demountable Partition System for Circuit Court. To be received by Thurs., July 15, 1982 at 9:30 a.m.

Bid For: Duct work Revisions-Circuit Court. To be received by Thurs., July 15, 1982 at 9:30 a.m.

Bid For: Electrical for Circuit Court Probation. To be received by Thurs., July 15, 1982 at 9:30 a.m.

Bid For: Painting of Circuit Court. To be received by Thurs., July 15, 1982 at 9:45 a.m.

JACK STANLEY, CPPD
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASING

A public hearing which had been scheduled for Monday, July 12 at 7:30 p.m. to consider a request to rezone six adjoining parcels of property located on the south side of Bowes Road from R-2 Single Family Residential to R-3 Multiple Family and Apartments, to allow the construction of condominium housing is hereby cancelled at the developer's request.

All area residents will be advised of any future rezoning request relative to this property.

Ray E. Quada
City Clerk

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YMCA Swim Lessons



Session I Swim Lessons
First Session swim lessons come to a close as instructors Nancy DeLoof and Bobbie White play one last game of Motor Boat with their Tadpoles Class.



The Showboat Endmen made their usual appearance in the 4th of July parade riding the callope float with Dick McNeal at the keyboard.

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KENT AND VAN BUREN COUNTIES:

Perch are beginning to bite at Wabasis Lake in Kent County and Grand Haven pier, also at South Haven. Walleyes are being caught at Johnson Park in the Grand River. Some catches of pike, specs and bluegills have been reported at Murray Lake and Cranberry Lake in Kent County. Now that we are having warmer weather, fishing should get better.

OTTAWA COUNTY:

Some walleyes have been caught in Lake Michigan and Kalamazoo River, however, the report is slow in the big lake (Lake Michigan) area for bass and bluegill. Some larger chinook are being caught in 40-60 feet of water. Lake trout are found in depths of

100-120 feet. Black and silver lures, Chargers and Holy Angels as well as Northport Nailers are used for bait.

MUSKEGON COUNTY:
The hottest items are walleyes and perch. Bluegills are still good in this area. The walleyes (up to 7-3/4 lbs.) are improving in Muskegon Lake. Smallmouth bass are reported in Muskegon Lake, however, the majority has not spawned yet. Perch are beginning off breakwaters. Rainbow and brown trout are found on Upper Muskegon River with fly fishing and bait. When spawning is completed, conditions should improve.

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'OUTDOORS' with Jack Friesner

All statewide citizens, outdoorsmen and non-outdoorsmen alike, should be concerned with the present federal policy of attempting to control the waterways and natural resources of the state of Michigan. The question is who has jurisdiction and control over the natural resources of this state.

At a time when the federal government is supposedly in the process of de-regulation and in fact turning management and regulation of many programs over to the state governments, they are attempting to take over the waterways of this state.

We are presently faced with an attempt by the Corps of Engineers to implement a new regulatory program that would result in its controlling all navigable waters of this state. (Navigable waters are defined as any body of water capable of floating a log). This interpretation would result in the federal government controlling all of our border water and over 6,000 miles of Michigan rivers. Naturally it would then be necessary for us to procure a federal permit to build a dock or do any work along these waterways. It would be necessary also for our own D.N.R. to procure federal permission to build weirs, fish ladders, or even to manage wetlands habitat or fishery programs. We have no need for, nor do we want, federal regulation.

Naturally, as taxpayers, we would be required to pay for these new programs, along with the State programs we are now providing funds for. We presently have the Michigan Wetlands Protection Act and the Inland Lakes and Streams Act, both of which have been enacted recently and provide adequate regulatory control by the state.

The National Park Service is also trying to get into the act and jab it to us from another quarter. They have now proposed a ban on trapping, smelt dipping, and certain fishing on the Platt River, within the confines of the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore. Rumors also have it that the next step is to eliminate all boat traffic on the Platt and to charge a \$100 fee for hunting on these federal lands. Our natural resources are limited and these federal proposals only tend to limit them further. Our apathetic concern over these type issues only tends to encourage others to rip us off at a faster pace. I urge you to be heard, write or call your state and federal legislators and express your feelings. Your silence only tends to condone the actions of your adversaries. Please demand that these federal theft programs be denied.

FISHING FORECAST:

Once again I am becoming optimistic about our local fishing prospects. Panfishing is picking up on most area lakes. The water temperatures are still well below normal for this time of year and most fish are still staying pretty shallow. With the exception of perch most panfish will be taken in less than twelve feet of water. The fish are becoming much more scattered and tough to locate. I would like to share with you a tip concerning these scattered schools. A method used much in the past, but seldom today, is sculling or slow trolling. This method not only enables you to locate the fish, but also to produce nice catches of the larger gills. A small spinner is used in conjunction with bait and in some instances a fly is also added on a short dropper. (I manufacture and sell a rig designed specifically for this method). You then add weight or lengthen line to control depth and slowly troll until you catch fish. At this time you can continue trolling the area, or once the fish have been located you may revert to your more conventional still fishing techniques.

Due to the cool water conditions Pike fishing remains good, nice catches are being reported through the area. Bass, both small and largemouth also have been doing well. Catfishing on the Grand has been very good with many nice flat heads being taken along with many channels. Walleyes also are being taken in good numbers. The secret weapon on Grand right now is soft-shelled crayfish for the smallmouth and cats. Yes, we have a good supply at the shop (Grand River Bait and Tackle). Please stop by for your fishing needs and B.S.

JACK

Michigan's best fishing waters

Which of Michigan's more than 11,000 lakes make up the state's 50 best inland fishing waters?

To find the answer to that question, the Michigan United Conservation Clubs (MUCC) polled leading fishing authorities in the state. Fishermen of wide experience, outdoor writers, and fisheries biologists were asked to name the five inland lakes they considered the best in Michigan for fishing. Their choices were weighted and tabulated, and the lakes receiving the largest number of points were selected for inclusion in a new guide for sport fishing.

Entitled "Michigan's 50

Best Fishing Lakes," the book contains a map, profile, and description of each lake. Anglers are given data on public access to the lakes, water depths and temperatures, game fish species found in the lakes, and much other information to help them improve their fishing success.

Copies of "Michigan's 50 Best Fishing Lakes" may be obtained for \$6.95 each, postage and sales tax included, from MUCC, Box 30235, Lansing, Mich. 48909. Proceeds from sales will be used by MUCC, a nonprofit organization, for its conservation and education programs.

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| 2 | Blough Builders | 5-2 |
| 3 | State Savings Bank | 5-2 |
| 4 | Durkee Linton Legion | 4-2 |
| 5 | Timpson Orchards | 4-3 |
| 6 | Showboat Auto | 3-3 |
| 7 | Larkins Saloon | 3-4 |
| 8 | Mr Bill's | 2-5 |
| 9 | Cherry Creek | 1-6 |
| 10 | Roth Rental | 0-7 |

MENS LEAGUE:

RED DIVISION

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| 1 | Curtis-Cleaners | 6-1 |
| 2 | Art's TV | 5-2 |
| 3 | Larkins Saloon II | 5-2 |
| 4 | Methodist Men | 4-3 |
| 5 | Village Party Shoppe | 4-3 |
| 6 | 12 Packs | 3-4 |
| 7 | Christoff & Sons | 1-6 |
| 8 | Parnell Grocery | 1-6 |

WHITE DIVISION

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| 1 | Lowell Engineering | 7-0 |
| 2 | Alto Bandits | 4-3 |
| 3 | Lowell V.F.W. | 4-3 |
| 4 | Mr. Bill's II | 3-4 |
| 5 | Mr. Bill's I | 2-5 |
| 6 | Dave Clark Plumbing | 1-6 |

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The 35 members pride themselves on having 6 sets of mother-daughter combinations.

They meet Tuesdays at 8:00 p.m. at Stoney Creek Elementary School in Comstock Park. They welcome new singers anytime.

With the daughters standing behind their respective mothers in the above photo are: Standing — Kim Peck, Cheryl Peters, Joan Seeley, Marilee Linner, Shari Alberts, Cheryl Posel, Sue Owen. Seated — Beverly Wisner, Beryl Gale, Lillian Linner, Leda Platte, Helen Posel, Delores Owen.

Miss United Teenager contest

Miss Tenley Ysseldyke, age 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ysseldyke of Ada has been selected to be a State Finalist in the 1982 Miss United Teenager Pageant to be held at the Adrian College at 7:30 p.m. on July 22, 1982.

The Pageant is the Official State-Wide Finals for the Miss United Teenager Pageant.

Contestants from all over the State will be competing for the title. All Contestants are between the ages of 14 and 18 and must have at least a "B" average in school. They are requested to participate in the Volunteer Community Service Program of the Miss United Teenager Pageant. Through this program many youngsters are becoming involved in Community activities by contributing at least 8 hours of time to some worthwhile Charity or Civic work of their choice.

The winner of the State Finals of the Miss United Teenager Pageant will receive an all-expense paid trip



Tenley Ysseldyke

to compete in the National Finals, a three phase pageant in Hollywood, California; Honolulu, Hawaii and Washington, D.C.; where she will compete for \$15,000 in Cash Scholarships, a new automobile for her reigning year, \$5,000 personal appearance contract, \$2,000 wardrobe and other awards.

Contestants will be judged on Scholastic, Civic Achievements, Beauty, Poise and Personality.

No swimsuit competition is required. Each contestant will write and recite on stage a 100 word Essay on the subject, "My Country".

Miss Ysseldyke is sponsored by Lippert Pharmacy in Lowell, Thomet Chevrolet in Lowell, Fulton Pharmacy in Grand Rapids and Van Belkum and Faulkner in Grand Rapids. She is a student at Lowell Senior High School. Her hobbies include skiing, biking and poetry.

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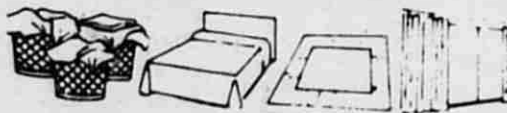
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Even by saving \$50 a month, at 5 1/4 percent when the child is eight, you will have \$8,000 when the child is 18. However, if you wait until he's 13, you'll have to save \$145 a month to reach the same goal. It is best to start your planning based on today's cost for college and increase the amount along with the annual rate of inflation.

A savings plan for a long-term goal like a college education should involve high-yield earnings and tax sheltering to get the maximum performance from your money. Money placed in a bank account should be put into term accounts, such as certificates of deposit, which pay the highest possible interest rates.

A common savings method is to shift your income to your child, who has most likely a lower tax bracket. One of these "shifts" is the interest-free loan, which under current judicial rules, has no tax consequences for the parent. Instead of buying a certificate of deposit, you lend the money to your child so the interest is his income not yours. If your child has no other income, it is likely he will not have to pay any tax on the interest.

Giving your child appreciating stock which could be sold to pay for college, is another idea. His tax on any capital gain would be less than yours. In addition, it is

best to see about possible gift tax liability in any savings program that shifts tax from you to your child.

Another method is the custodian or trust accounts which earn interest and provide a tax benefit to you. If such an account is opened in your child's name, he will pay the tax on the interest or dividends at a lower rate than you and the child will control the money when he reaches the age of majority.

The Clifford (or short-term) Trust is a popular planning tool. It calls for putting cash or income-producing property in a trust and making your child the beneficiary. If the trust is set up to last 10 years and a day, the income is taxed either to the child or to the trust for a lower tax. However, before setting up a trust, it is best to know the dollar impact, the state and local tax effect and the legal consequences.

If time is short, there are other ways to get money for college including refinancing your mortgage, borrowing on your life insurance or pledging your savings account passbook for a loan. Any loan with an interest rate lower than the rate of inflation is good leverage since you repay with cheaper dollars.



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