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## Lowell Schools to ask for 3.4 mills in September

Area voters will be going to the polls on Monday, September 27th to decide whether the Lowell Area Schools will get a 3.4 mill increase to the 28 mills currently being levied. The

Lowell Board of Education decided to ask for the millage increase at a special meeting held last Thursday. The increase request will be for a three year period. Also on the ballot will be a request

for voter permission to levy the entire 28 mills (17.9 voted, 10.1 state allocated) rather than rolling back the millage to 27.7758 or about 1/4 mill as specified by the Headlee Amendment.

Superintendent of Schools Don Kelly said that 1.5 mills of the request is necessary to balance revenues and expenditures and allow a little for inflation. The remaining 1.9 mills is necessary to replace

staffing at the second semester to go back to a full six hour school day and to fund activities at the same level as the 1981-82 school year. Both of these points are in response to what people in the

school district said they wanted in a survey conducted last spring.

## "Ask the Candidates" forum is tonight!

Get ready to ask some tough questions. Wednesday, July 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lowell Middle School is the Lowell Lions' sponsored "Meet the Candidates" forum. As of this writing 16 candidates for various offices have confirmed that they will attend.

The format for the program is tentatively set with each office being opened up to written or oral questions from the floor with the candidates for that office each getting a chance to respond to the questions. A moderator will be present.

Those that have indicated they will attend are; 5th Congressional, Dale Sprik - Democrat, 31st State Senate,

John Hoogenvee - Democrat, John Damstra, Albert DeWitt and Dick Posthumus - Republicans, State Representative 90th District, Gary Rodenburg - Democrat, Victor Krause, Larry Lindsley, Fredrick Thorne, Norm Visser and Jerry Wallace - Republicans, State Representative 91st District, Donald Crandall - Democrat, Kent County Commissioners, 3rd District, Bernie Hale - Democrat, 12th District, Diane Siciliano - Democrat, Arline Levit and Jo Somerville - Republicans.

Dozens of other candidates were invited, many of which may be present but have not returned their confirmation cards.

## Superstars headline Ionia Free Fair

The Ionia Free Fair's grandstand shows will present an array of show-business superstars that are probably unmatched during the long and illustrious history of the famed outdoor event.

The line-up includes a legendary comedian-actor, the "First Lady of Country Music", this year's country music "Entertainer of the Year" award winners, an Australian rock group, a soap opera actor who is a singing idol, and a country star who has achieved immense popularity as Burt Reynolds' movie sidekick.

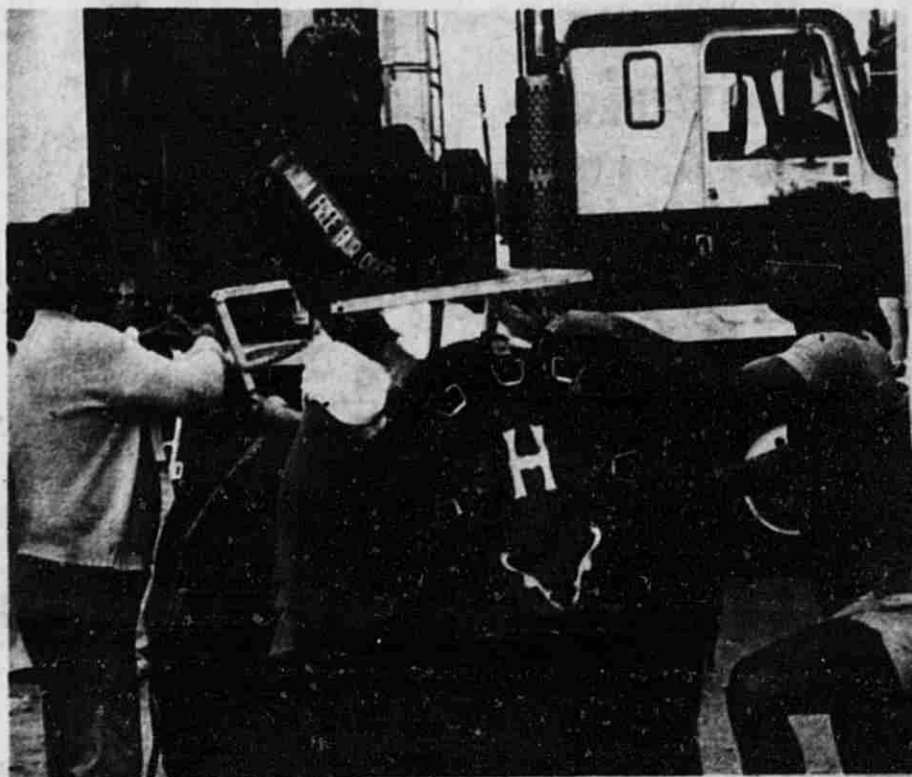
George Burns is the legend. The 84-year old performer steps before the footlights August 2nd at 6:30 and 9:00 p.m. Also in the Burns' show are the "New Seekers," a vocal-instrumental group with credits that include appearances with many top stars and numerous major television commercials.

Australia's popular rock group, "Air Supply" will be on hand for an 8:00 p.m. performance August 3rd. The band recently toured Europe and features laser lights and other special effects.

Loretta Lynn is the undisputed "First Lady of Country Music". She makes her third Free Fair appearance at 6:30 and 9:00 p.m., August 4th. Until Miss Lynn's first visit to Ionia in 1973, country music stars were not booked to headline the Fair's major grandstand shows. But her sold-out performances "cracked the country music barrier" by proving to Fair officials that country music would be the big box office draw of the future. She'll be joined by the "Thrasher Brothers", one of country music's fastest-rising instrumental-vocal groups and the winners of five consecutive Grammy Awards.

"Alabama", winners of country music's Entertainer of the Year Award and one of the country music's premier attractions, will play before anticipated sell-outs August 5th at 6:30 and 9:00 p.m.

Advance ticket sales are very heavy for the appearance of Rick Springfield at 8:00 p.m., August 6th. The teenage singing idol first gained national attention as Dr. Noah on television's "General Hospital". His record hits include "Don't Talk to Strangers" and two al-



**ELEPHANT THRONE** -- Ionia Free Fair Queen Karen Renucci possibly became the first queen in the history of the Fair to sit on a throne aboard an elephant. Miss Renucci's ride on the pachyderm occurred during the Royal Hanneford Circus' appearance at the Free Fair Grounds. The Free Fair is expected to draw close to a half-million Fairgoers during its July 30-August 8 run.

bums, "Working Class Dog", and "Success Hasn't Spoiled Me Yet".

Jerry Reed brings his considerable music talents to the Fair August 7th at 8:00 p.m. He's been featured in several Burt Reynolds' movies, including his memorable role in "Smokey and the Bandit". Paul Lennon, a longtime Free Fair favorite, will emcee and perform throughout the week.

In addition to the Monday through Saturday shows, the Fair will present for the first time, a gospel singing show at 8:00 p.m., August 1st, featuring "The Masters Five", one of gospel music's top singing groups. Two other groups, "The Teletals" and "The Singing Americans" will round out the show.

**Elect Roger Odell, Kent County Commissioner, District 3. Vote August 10. Paid for by Committee to Elect Roger Odell.**

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## Posthumus named U.S. agricultural officer

Secretary of Agriculture John R. Block has appointed Dale M. Posthumus as agricultural officer on the staff of the U.S. Embassy in Moscow. Posthumus replaced Finn Rudd, who has been reassigned to the American Embassy in Rome.

In his new assignment, Posthumus will work in the areas of agricultural reporting and market development in the USSR. In fiscal 1981, the United States exported some \$1.7 billion worth of agricultural products to the Soviet Union, primarily corn and wheat.

Posthumus joined USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service in February 1980 as an international economist in international trade policy. Two years later he was

assigned to foreign agricultural affairs where he worked until his appointment to the Moscow post.

Before joining the Foreign Agricultural Service, Posthumus held a variety of agriculture-related positions with Michigan State University.

Posthumus, a native of Alto, Mich., earned a bachelor's degree in agricultural economics from Michigan State University in 1975 and a master's degree from the same institution in 1979.

He is scheduled to arrive in Moscow in early July.



### SUMMER THEATRE PARTY

The second children's theatre party to Circle in the Park, Grand Rapids will be August 4. "Rumplestiltskin" will be a participation drama where the audience gets into the act, too. Contact Laura Garcia (897-5489) for reservations. There is always a picnic lunch after ... FUN!!

### SIDEWALK SALE NEXT WEEK

The Lowell Chamber of Commerce sponsored sidewalk sale is slated for next Thursday, Friday and Saturday. There'll be bargains galore all up and down Lowell's Main Street, so plan at least an afternoon of bargain hunting. It's a great chance to pick up some back to school items, fill in your depleted summer wardrobe or just browse.

### SADDLE UP!

The 13th annual Parnell Horse Show is scheduled for this Saturday, July 31 at Parnell Rd. and Five Mile Rd. The show is scheduled to get underway at 8:30 a.m. Dave Mannes will be judging the 32 classes, western and English. There will be four high point trophies awarded and six ribbons in each class. Food will be served on the grounds.

### OFF THE BLOTTER

Kevin Kaminski backed his car from a private drive Thursday morning and struck a parked vehicle on Carol Lynne near Elizabeth Dean.

James Edlin of Belding lost a wheel and tire off his semi-trailer Wednesday morning which struck a West bound vehicle driven by William Warnet of Saranac. There were no injuries. Accident occurred on West Main and Riverside Drive.

Three bicycles were taken from different locations in the City of Lowell Thursday evening; all were recovered by Lowell officers and returned to their owners. Several juveniles will face possible probate court action because of the incident.

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# Obituaries

**BROWER** - Mr. William J. Brower, aged 70 of Whitneyville Rd. Alto and the owner of the Brower Construction Co. passed away Friday afternoon, July 23, 1982 of accidental injuries. He is survived by his wife, Virginia A. Brower; their children, Michael and Mari Brower, Thomas G. Brower, Bonnie K. Brower, all of Alto; two grandchildren, Michael and Michelle; four brothers, Thomas and Phillip Brower of Grand Rapids, Joseph of Irons, and Paul Brower of Alto; four sisters, Margaret Pe-

trovich of Grand Rapids, Ellen Miller, Donna Brower and Loretta Herring of Detroit; several nieces and nephews. The Funeral Mass was offered Monday morning in the Holy Family Catholic Church, Caledonia, Rev. Donald Heydens as Celebrant. Interment followed in St. Patricks Cemetery. Because of the untired efforts and dedication to service that the Kent County Sheriff Deputies and E-Unit personnel rendered to William, the Brower family would greatly appreciate memorial contributions to the E-Unit Program.

**EISENHART** - Allie Mae Eisenhart, aged 83, of Lowell, passed away Sunday. She is survived by her children, Mrs. Mildred Mansfield of Saranac, Mrs. Grace Burrows of Lowell, George Eisenhart of Nebraska; six grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; one brother, Charles Brown of Battle Creek. Private funeral services were held Tuesday, Interment Oakwood Cemetery.

**NELSON** - Mrs. Sylvia E. Nelson, aged 81 of Lowell, passed away Friday. She is survived by a nephew, Robert L. Olson of Lowell and a sister Mrs. Emily Swanson of Minneapolis Minn. Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home Lowell, Rev. William F. Hurt, church of the Nazarene, Lowell officiating. Interment Oakwood Cemetery.

**YODER** - Harold E. Yoder, aged 79, of Clarksville, passed away Sunday, July 25, 1982. He is survived by his wife, Margaret; four daughters, Mrs. Dave (Janice) Miller of Lake Odessa, Mrs. Tom (Marion) Klimson of Lowell, Mrs. Bliss (Sally) Allison of Clarksville, Mrs. Walter (Judy) Steele of Ionia; one son, William of Lake Odessa; three sisters, Mrs. Edna Zook of Clarksville, Mrs. Catherine Aaron of Springer, Ill., Mrs. Ida Oyer of Fisher, Ill.; 12 grandchildren, six great grandsons. Funeral services were held Tuesday 1:30 p.m. at the Clarksville Bible Church. Interment Bowne Mennonite Cemetery.

## Births

Phil and Mary Roxbury of Hopkins are proud to announce the birth of a son, Alex Andrew on June 10, 1982. Alex weighed 8 lbs., 13 1/2 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Luis Luna of Lowell and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Roxbury of Holland.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Mercer of Lowell wish to announce the birth of a daughter, Carolyn Ann, on July 21, 1982. She weighed 8 lbs., 1 1/2 oz. and was 21 inches long. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. William R. Mercer of Lowell and Mr. and Mrs. Billie Ellison of Lowell. She was born at St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Rapids.

# Letters...

Attention: Dog Owners  
-During the hot summer days I stress the fact that it is not being kind to your dog to take him in the car even with the windows rolled down. It is hard on the dog as their lungs breathe in the hot air which could bring sickness or even death.

Especially, leaving your dog in a car with the windows rolled down or even letting your dog ride in the back of an open pickup truck.

Please think twice, wait towards evening when it cools off. I am sure your dog will thank you and also myself.

Gratefully,  
John Erickson  
Animal Control Officer  
Lowell Police Department

Dear Mr. Brown:  
The chips are flying again at the New John Ball Zoo!! The call is going out to all known "bull slingers" in Western Michigan to come join us. The Second Annual Buffalo Chips Throwing Contest will be held at 2:00 p.m.

on Saturday, August 28, in John Ball Park.  
This year's contest is part of Zoo '82 being sponsored by the Eberhard Food Stores, WCUZ, the City of Grand Rapids, and the John Ball Zoological Society. Zoo '82 is a two day family weekend with continuous entertainment, food booths, and zoo attractions. Proceeds from Zoo '82 will go towards the completion of the Jaguar/South American Panorama.

We hope that you will join us and prove yourself to be a "chip off the ol' block". The competition promises to be fierce this year as team responses have been piling up higher and deeper. Come on out and sling some on August 28.  
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# Coming Events

**THUR., JULY 29:** 11 a.m., Alto Branch Library, 6069 Linfield, "Count Pigula's Scary Stories."

**TUES. AUGUST 3:** Miles and Webb in Concert, members of the ReGeneration Group, at 8:30 P.M., the Lowell Calvary Church on the corner of M21 and Church Street. Any questions call Bier's at 897-7555 or Tinklenbergs at 897-8215.

**AUGUST 5 and 6:** Lowell Senior Center, 214 E. Main St. will have a bake goods and craft sale from 9 to 4 which coincides with the Sidewalk Sales. Please keep us in mind.

**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.

**SAT., AUGUST 7:** at 1 p.m. the Lowell High School class of 1945 are having a picnic reunion bring a dish to pass and table service. Ada Township bicentennial Park, Buttrick and Grand River, Ada. See you there.

**MON., AUGUST 9:** The Golden-Swingers will meet for potluck supper at 6 p.m. at the Fallsburg Pavilion Porch. Bring own service, beverage and a dish to pass. All welcome.

**TUES., AUGUST 10:** Lowell Women's Bowling Assoc. Meeting at 7 P.M. American Legion Lanes. Bowling Workshop at 7:30.

**SUN., AUGUST 15:** Two in one concert featuring vocalist Lynnette Pierce and the musical group The Counselors at 8:15 P.M., outdoors at the Lowell Amphitheatre by the Showboat on M21; Free

will offering. Sponsored by Lowell Calvary Church.

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

**SAT., AUGUST 21:** The DeWitt memorial Association announces the 36th Annual DeWitt ox roast to be held on the Streets of DeWitt, Michigan. Festivities to start at 10 A.M. with a parade and continuing till 11 P.M. Fun, food, rides and entertainment all day. Proceeds are used to support the DeWitt Memorial building.

**SAT., AUGUST 21:** Lowell Moose Benefit Breakfast for M.D.A. down stairs in the Moose Lodge, serving from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m.

**AUGUST - SEPTEMBER:** Lowell Church of the Nazarene invites you to Singspiration! Singspiration is a special service which takes place the last Sunday in every month at 6:00 P.M. It's a time of fun and fellowship where different people are preselected to bring you an evening of worship in song.

**SEPTEMBER 11:** from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Honey Creek

Christian Homes. 11652 Grand River Ave., Lowell will present the annual country Fair. Musical programs, auction at noon, food, family activities and entertainment.

**OCTOBER 4, 5, and 7:** The Ionia County Chapter of the American Red Cross will hold a basic life support course in Cardio pulmonary resuscitation on from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Saranac High School. There will be a \$5.00 charge to cover cost of materials. To register call 897-9679.

**OCTOBER 4 and 5:** The Ionia County Chapter of the American Red Cross will hold a review course in CPR basic life support from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Saranac High School. There will be a \$5.00 charge to cover cost of materials. You must have a valid CPR certificate to enroll. Call 897-9679.



Cadet, the term used to describe students in the U.S. military academies, is a French word meaning younger son.

# In The Service...

Airman Brian J. Duckett, son of Douglas W. and Rose M. Duckett of 4091 Causeway Drive, Lowell, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force aircraft electrical repair course at Chanute Air Force Base, Ill.

Graduates of the course learned how to inspect and repair aircraft electrical systems, and earned credits toward an associate degree in applied science through the Community College of the Air Force.  
Duckett will now serve at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., with the 6515th Field Maintenance Squadron. He is a 1977 graduate of Lowell Senior High School.

Marine Pvt. Kenneth R. Sweet Jr., son of Letitid A. and Kenneth R. Sweet Sr. of 6011 Patterson, Saranac, has completed recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

During the 11-week training cycle, he learned the basics of battlefield survival. He was introduced to the typical daily routine that he will experience during his enlistment and studied the personal and professional standards traditionally exhibited by Marines.

He participated in an active physical conditioning program and gained profi-

ciency in a variety of military skills, including first aid, rifle marksmanship and close order drill. Teamwork and self-discipline were emphasized throughout the training cycle.  
Army Pvt. Wayne W. Worthington Jr., son of Wayne W. and Ruth D. Worthington of 13989 Covered Bridge Road, Lowell, has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.  
He is a 1979 graduate of Lowell High School.

## Open house

A Twenty-fifth Wedding Anniversary open house is being given for Gary and Sharon Eickhoff by their daughter, Perri, on August 1, 1982 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. The open house will be at 2642 Segwun Avenue, Lowell. Family and friends are cordially invited. The family requests no gifts please.

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### West-Dempster company under new management

The West-Dempster Company, a Grand Rapids commercial studio and custom photographic processing laboratory has been wholly acquired by Mr. Bernard Smith of Lowell. Mr. Smith, who will assume the position of General Manager, has been associated with the West-Dempster Company since 1952, and has been a major stockholder since 1976.

Mr. Michael Forrest, a graduate of the Rochester

Institute of Technology and a West-Dempster photographer since 1979, has been named Chief Photographer and Studio Manager.

The West-Dempster Company was founded in 1924, and specializes in custom photographic services for advertising and displays, and operates its studio and laboratory facilities in the Waters Building in downtown Grand Rapids.

All the natural elements can be found in seawater. Among the metallic elements dissolved in the ocean are millions of tons of gold and silver.

## NOTICE To All Athletes (1982-83) PHYSICALS

Girls - Friday, August 6, 7:00 P.M.

Boys - Friday, August 13, 7:00 P.M.

All athletes must have physical cards signed. Cards may be picked up at Senior High Office.

Physicals will be held in the Girls locker room of the Senior High

NO FRESHMAN Must get physicals at family physician.

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## HOMESPUN DEVOTIONS

by Pauline E. Spray

...to-day I must abide at thy house (Luke 19:5).

"Company's coming!" What a thrill that announcement brings! It sends the members of the household scurrying about performing the various tasks which invariably precede the advent of guests.

When Grandma and Grandpa, aunts, cousins, or friends send word of an approaching visit, plans are immediately formulated with the hope of making the guests' stay as comfortable as possible. First, the house is tidied and dusted. Then the guest room is made attractive with freshly laundered linens. In the kitchen goodies are prepared for the enjoyment of the expected guests. Nothing is overlooked which will provide pleasure for those we love.

"Company's coming!" is the cry that sends us scurrying to make preparations for the arrival of those we love. If Jesus announced His arrival today, what would happen? Would preparations have to be made quickly? Or, do we live in readiness for His reappearance at all times? He ought not to be considered a guest on occasion, but a "daily abider," a constant dweller, in every household.

Prayer: Dear Jesus, teach me to live at all times in readiness for Thy reappearing. Abide with me always. Amen.

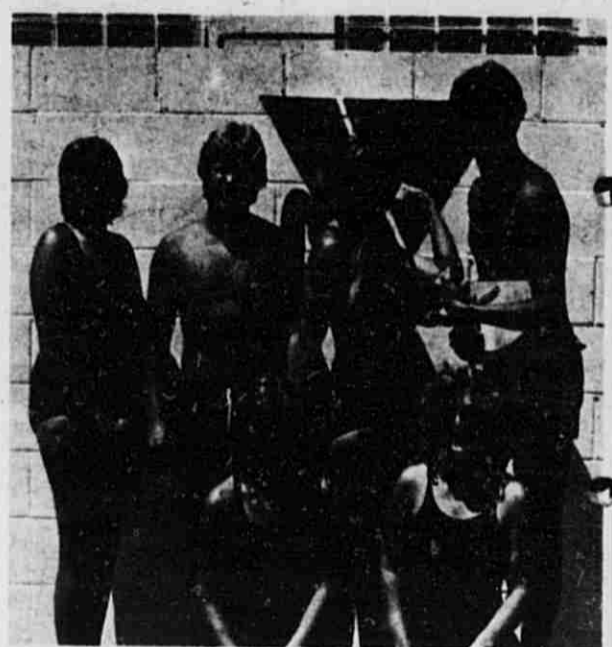
I need Thy presence ev'ry passing hour.

What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Who, like thyself, my guide and stay can be?

Thro' cloud and sunshine, Oh, abide with me! HENRY FRANCIS LYTE

### 1982 YMCA pool staff

The 1982 Pool Manager at King Memorial Pool is Bobbie White, returning to the summer staff after a two year retirement. Bobbie has a physical education degree from Western Michigan University, where she received her Water Safety Instructor Certification Course. Since that time she has taken a refresher course from Grand Valley State College and YSI course from the Grand Rapids YMCA.



The 1982 YMCA pool staff invites the community to stop by the King Memorial Pool for some fun in the sun. If you haven't met the pool staff yet this summer here they are: The 1982 Pool Staff front row from left to right; Tammy Nagy and Bobbie White. Back row, Laura Leasure, Jim Pittman, Nancy DeLoof and John Kwant.

Five years of experience comes with Nancy DeLoof to the pool. Nancy received her associates degree from Grand Rapids Junior College, and will be transferring to Central Michigan University in the fall. Nancy is a YSI from Grand Rapids YMCA.

Tammy Nagy is a Sophomore at Central Michigan University. Coming highly recommended from the Low-

ell YMCA, Tammy was hired by the Mt. Pleasant YMCA to teach swimming, diving, gymnastics and aerobics, this past school year.

Laura Leasure, formerly one of the Dey Girls, has just completed classes at Central Michigan University in secondary education. Laura received her Red Cross WSI, while attending CMU. She will be student teaching at Belding in the fall.

Jim Pittman comes to the Lowell YMCA this year from Saranac. He recently received his Red Cross Water Safety Instructor Certification from Grand Rapids Junior college. Jim says he loves kids of all ages.

John Kwant will be a Senior at Lowell High School in the fall with a 4.0 average. John has been a volunteer and assistant instructor at the pool for the last 6 years.

The full time staff is assisted by some excellent volunteers and part time instructors including Angie Wood, Karen Pizarek, and Mia Dreger.

The entire YMCA staff invites the Lowell Community to stop in at the pool for some water fun. Remember, the King Memorial Pool is located down at the Fair Grounds.

### Loomis Brothers Quartet

The Ionia Free Methodist Church has announced the scheduling of All-day services with the Loomis Brothers Quartet. These artists have recorded many records and written several songs. Services are scheduled on August 1 at 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. The public is welcome.

The Ionia Free Methodist Church is located at 1022 Lincoln Street in Ionia.

PERSONALIZED - Playing cards, single or double deck. Grand Valley Ledger, 897-9261.

### Danish exchange student here



Ulla Thirup, 20, of Frederikshavn, Denmark has been the guest of David and Sharon Potter, 14000 Cascade Road, Lowell since June 22. Ulla is visiting here for six weeks through the Lions Club's Youth Exchange Program. Potter is a member of the Lowell Lions Club and Ulla's father is a member in Denmark currently hosting a guest from Michigan.

While here, Ulla has spent a week in California, visited the Ford Museum and other Grand Rapids sights, seen

her first baseball game, played her first round of golf and tried her hand at tennis. The Potters are planning a trip with Ulla through northern Michigan and the upper peninsula, taking in the many sights.

Ulla has graduated our equivalent of junior college and speaks Danish, English, German, French and a little Swedish. Besides those languages, she also has studied Latin. Favorite among her many interests is horseback riding.

### Can You Survive A Respiratory Challenge?

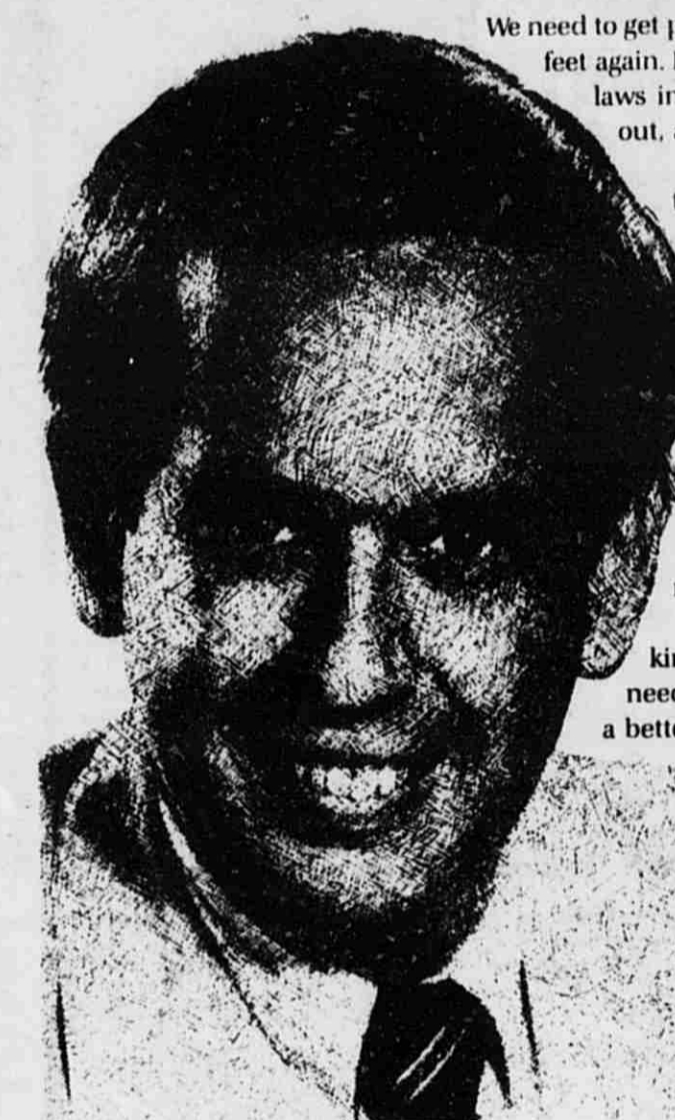
When your respiratory system must cope with a challenge, whether you survive or die may depend on whether you smoke.



This information is from a newsletter of the New York Lung Association: "According to Dr. David J. Pierson, Director of Respiratory Therapy at Seattle's Harborview Medical Center, combined findings show that

smoking weakens the ability of the respiratory system to cope with a challenge."

# Vic Krause for State Representative



We need to get people back to work and businesses on their feet again. I believe there is something wrong with our laws in Michigan which causes industry to move out, and welfare benefit seekers to move in.

I will shape new ideas which will effectively diminish the size and scope of state government, so that we are not constantly faced with higher taxes and regulations which stifle personal initiative and business development.

As Vice President of the West Central Area American Cancer Society, and former executive in a large corporation and owner of a small business, I've gained a keen sense and broad understanding of the local business environment and the needs of the citizens in our community.

I will represent the 90th District with the kind of knowledge, enthusiasm and energy needed to make our state and our communities a better place in which to live.

### 90th District

Townships: Ada, Algoma, Alpine, Cannon, Courtland, Lowell, Nelson, Oakfield, Plainfield, Solon, Sparta, Spencer, Tyrone, Vergennes. Cities: Cedar Springs, Lowell, Rockford.

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## ATTEND SERVICES

<b>MISSIONARY CHURCH</b> 10501 Settlewood Ph 897-7185 Sunday School 10:00 A.M. Worship Service 11:00 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Prayer and Bible Study 7:30 P.M. Wednesdays GLENN H. MARKS Foreman Road 897-9110	<b>WHITNEYVILLE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST UNDENOMINATIONAL</b> 4935 Whitneyville Rd. Ada 49301 Sunday Morn. Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Evening Prayer Service 7:30 p.m. Challenger's Youth Group, Wed. 7:30 p.m. PASTOR JAMES GROENDYK	<b>ATTEND SERVICES</b>	
<b>ADA CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH</b> 7152 Bradford St., S.E. - 676-1698 REV. ANGUS M. MACLEOD Morning Worship 9:30 A.M. Sunday School 11:00 A.M. Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.	<b>ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH</b> 7227 Thornapple River Dr. - 676-1032 Pastor: Jerry L. Johnson Morning Worship 10:00 A.M. Sunday School 11:20 A.M. Evening Worship 6:00 P.M. WE INVITE YOU TO MAKE THIS COMMUNITY CHURCH YOUR CHURCH HOME. WELCOME TO ALL	<b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ALTO</b> Corner of 60th Street & Bancroft Avenue Sunday School 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Jr.-Sr. High Young People 6:30 P.M. Evening Worship 7:00 P.M. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 P.M. REV. GEORGE L. COON Telephone 868-6403 or 868-6912	<b>GALILEE BAPTIST CHURCH OF SARANAC</b> Corner of Orchard & Pleasant Sunday School 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening Worship 7:00 P.M. Young Peoples Afterglow 8:30 P.M. Wed. Family Night 6:30-8:30 P.M. REV. JAMES FRANK 642-9174 - 642-9274 (Nursery & Children's Churches)
<b>BETHANY BIBLE CHURCH</b> 3900 East Fulton REV. RAYMOND E. BEFUS Morning Worship 9:30 A.M. (Broadcast 10 A.M. WMAX 1470) Sunday School 11:15 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Wednesday Service 7:30 P.M.	<b>CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> 1151 West Main Street - 897-8841 REV. RICHARD VANDEKIEFF Worship Service 10 A.M. & 6 P.M. Sunday School 11:15 A.M. Supervised Nursery During All Services	<b>CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE OF LOWELL</b> 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	<b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> 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
<b>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> (Member United Church of Christ) North Hudson at Spring St., Lowell 897-9309 DR. RICHARD GREENWOOD Morning Worship 10:00 A.M. Church School 10:00 A.M. (Cribbery & Nursery Provided)	<b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> 621 E. Main St. 897-5936 Morning Worship 8:30 A.M., 9:45 A.M. Church School 9:45 A.M. REV. WILLIAM AMUNDSEN, MINISTER Nursery 8:30 A.M., 9:45 A.M.	<b>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 2287 Segwun, S.E. Lowell, Michigan Service 9:00 A.M. Sunday School 10:15 A.M. KENNETH MUELLER, PASTOR Ron Moikkynen, Elder 897-9551	<b>REORGANIZED CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS</b> 8146 - 68th St., S.E. Alto, MI HIGH PRIEST DIRK VENEMA 868-6292 Church School 9:45 A.M. Worship Service 11:00 A.M. Midweek Prayer Service 7:30 P.M. Evening Worship Service 7:00 P.M.
<b>SARANAC COMMUNITY CHURCH</b> (United Church of Christ) 125 Bridge St., Saranac, MI DIAL A-PRAYER - 642-9658 Morning Worship 10:30 A.M. Sunday School 11:15 A.M. THE REV. EDWIN MENDENHALL 642-6322	<b>ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> 402 N. Amity FR. THOMAS SCHILLER PASTOR NEW HOURS Saturday Mass 5:30 P.M. Sunday Mass 9 & 11 A.M.	<b>TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCA)</b> REV. Dr. James G. Cobb, Pastor Ronald McCallum, Seminary Intern 2700 E. Fulton Worship Service 9:30 A.M. Nursery Provided - Barner Free	<b>VERGENNES UNITED METHODIST</b> 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"



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### United Federal merging with Great Lakes Federal

United Federal Savings (formerly First Savings and Loan Association of Saginaw) will merge with Great Lakes Federal Savings of Ann Arbor, subject to the anticipated approval of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board. This according to a joint announcement by William F. Lawrence, Chairman of the

Board and President of United Federal and Roy E. Weber, President and Chief Executive Officer of Great Lakes Federal. The merger will combine United's assets of over \$600 million and its twenty-eight offices with Great Lake's \$900 million and thirty-two offices. The \$1.5 billion, sixty

office Association will be the third largest in Michigan and will service a 25 county market area, the largest of any savings and loan in the state. Initially under the proposal, United Federal will operate as a division of Great Lakes Federal. "We are very excited about this merger ... one

which will allow two of Michigan's finest savings and loan associations to join forces in positioning themselves for the increased competition and expanded customer service areas of the 1980's. The sixty offices which virtually blanket most of Michigan's lower peninsula will provide customers with a branch system second to none in the state and enable the Association to provide increased services to a market area which contains over three million people," said Lawrence in making the announcement.



Dan Patch was the first race horse in history to earn a million dollars for his owner.

## Lowell State Savings Bank Consolidated Report of Condition

of Lowell, Michigan And Foreign and Domestic Subsidiaries at the close of business June 30, 1982, a state banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

Dollar Amount in Thousands		Mil	Thou
<b>Assets</b>			
1. Cash and due from depository institutions (From Schedule C, item 6)	2,162	2	162
2. U.S. Treasury securities	1,907	1	907
3. Obligations of other U.S. Government agencies and corporations	1,195	1	195
4. Obligations of States and political subdivisions in the United States (From Schedule B, item 2, Column E)	6,116	6	116
5. All other securities	66		66
6. Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	4,600	4	600
7. a. Loans, Total (excluding unearned income) (From Schedule A, item 10)	24,307	24	307
b. Less: Allowance for possible loan losses	173		173
c. Loans, Net	24,134	24	134
8. Lease financing receivables	None		None
9. Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises	455		455
10. Real estate owned other than bank premises	None		None
11. All other assets (From Schedule G, item 3)	472		472
12. TOTAL ASSETS (sum of items 1 thru 11)	41,107	41	107
<b>Liabilities</b>			
13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations (From Schedule F, item 1, Column A)	4,207	4	207
14. Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations (From Schedule F, item 1, Columns B & C)	27,649	27	649
15. Deposits of United States Government (From Schedule F, item 2, Columns A & B & C)	2		2
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions in the United States (From Schedule F, item 3, Columns A & B & C)	3,424	3	424
17. All other deposits (From Schedule F, item 4, Columns A & B & C)	None		None
18. Certified and officers' checks (From Schedule F, item 5, Column A)	229		229
19. Total Deposits (sum of items 13 thru 18)	35,511	35	511
a. Total demand deposits (From Schedule F, item 6, Column A)	4,529	4	529
b. Total time and savings deposits (From Schedule F, item 6, Columns B & C)	30,982	30	982
20. Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	1,012	1	012
21. Interest-bearing demand notes (note balances) issued to the U.S. Treasury and other liabilities for borrowed money	375		375
22. Mortgage indebtedness and liability for capitalized leases	None		None
23. All other liabilities (From Schedule H, item 3)	496		496
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES (excluding subordinated notes and debentures) (sum of items 19 thru 23)	37,394	37	394
25. Subordinated notes and debentures	None		None
26. Preferred stock a. No. shares outstanding (par value)	None		None
27. Common Stock a. No. shares authorized b. No. shares outstanding 75,000 5.00 (par value)	375		375
28. Surplus	1,825		1,825
29. Undivided profits and reserve for contingencies and other capital reserves	1,513		1,513
30. TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL (sum of items 26 thru 29)	3,713	3	713
31. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CAPITAL (sum of items 24, 25 and 30)	41,107	41	107
<b>Memoranda</b>			
1. Amounts outstanding as of report date:	None		None
a. Standby letters of credit, total	None		None
b. Time certificates of deposit in denominations of \$100,000 or more included in Schedule F, Column C	3,713		3,713
c. Other time deposits in amounts of \$100,000 or more included in Schedule F, Column C	None		None
2. Average for 30 calendar days (or calendar month) ending with report date:	None		None
a. Total deposits (corresponds to item 19 above)	35,186	35	186

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

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

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

H. J. Englehardt  
Herbert Elzinga  
Keith L. Caldwell } Directors

State of Michigan County of Kent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26th

day of July, 19 82

*Terry B. Conley*  
Terry B. Conley

My commission expires July 22, 1985

## 'OUTDOORS' with Jack Friesner

Wildlife prospects for the hunter and trapper this fall are, in general, excellent. The D.N.R. report on pheasants throughout the state indicates a general decline. They also report a decline of birds in this area. I don't like to dispute the D.N.R. but in this case they are wrong. Pheasant populations within a forty-mile radius of here are up by at least 20 percent.

Quail (bob whites) season will be closed again this season and personally I am glad to see this, they also are on the increase but their numbers remain low and there is no justifiable reason for a harvest.

Partridge (ruffed grouse) were in good supply last year and their numbers appear to have increased by 10-20 percent since then.

We have an abundance of cottontails although in the low lying areas our heavy rains may have drowned much of one litter. Fox squirrels are also plentiful and an excellent mast crop this year should insure another good year for old bushy tail. We also have some black squirrel migrating into this area, please do not shoot them. The woodcock numbers seem to be up this summer also, I have seen more than usual in our low moist areas where earthworms are plentiful. Wild duck populations appear stable at about the same nesting population as last year. The brightest spot in our waterfowl picture is in the numbers of nesting geese we now have, more than at any other time in my lifetime. Thanks to the Michigan Duck Hunters Assn. and Ducks Unlimited we are realizing more local geese than at any time in recent years.

Thanks also to the hunters guns and dollars and to the habitat and management systems they have provided, we now have more whitetailed deer than at any other known time in history. Yes, Cleveland, many times more than when Columbus discovered this great land.

As for our furbearers the outlook is generally good. Our fox populations, both red and grey, is too numerous and we may start to see some mange, parvo virus and rabies this season. The outlook of fox pelt prices is good. \$50-\$55 on reds and \$30-\$35 on greys is about right.

Raccoon populations are down somewhat due to the parvo virus and canine distemper outbreak of last fall and winter. There is however a good population and at least 15,000 should be harvested within a forty-mile radius to insure a continuing healthy population. Local prices are expected to be off somewhat. \$15-\$25 being expected.

Muskrat numbers appear generally unchanged and the prices may drop some. \$3.75-\$4.00 can be anticipated. Wild mink populations seem to stay about constant but I fear that the pelt prices will decline slightly to about \$20 for males and half that for females. Opposum numbers are up and skunk remain about stable but neither fur is expected to be worth much. \$1-\$4 will probably be about tops. All prices mentioned are educated guesses and depend on a lot of variables between now and harvest time and all are for properly handled, or unhandled #1 prime pelts.

**FISHING FORECAST:**  
Again this week the bluegill has dominated the scene, excellent catches are being reported from most area lakes. Many limit catches of real nice gills are coming in. This past week has been the best of the season. Most gills seem to be coming from deep water areas while only fishing six to ten feet deep. Crickets seem to be the top bait but wax and leaf worms are also working well. Nice catches of perch are also being reported.

Catfish and walleyes are doing good on the Grand along with some real nice smallmouth. Stop by the Grand River Bait and Tackle shop before you go fishing. My son Mark and myself try to stay abreast of the latest methods and hotspots and are always glad to share this information. thanks.

JACK

### Readers Are Leaders

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### Proposal to freeze allocated millage

PROPOSAL "A", on the August 10 Primary Ballot would freeze the allocated 15 mills provided for by the Constitution as follows:  
4.8 County, 1.1 Townships, .1 Intermediate School District, 9.0 Schools.

The Kent County Tax Allocation Board has divided the 15 mills as shown above for the past 15 years. The present allocation process is expensive and time consuming for local officials. Under the present process,

the County, Townships, and School Districts must spend hours every Spring preparing budgets to be submitted to the Tax Allocation Board. A series of hearings are then held leading up to the final allocation of 15 mills. All of

this time and expense can be eliminated if the allocation of the 15 mills is frozen as promised.

Here are some basic facts you should know in considering this Proposal: The Tax Allocation Board has allocated the 15 mills in exactly the same proportion for the past 15 years: 4.8 mills to the County, 1.1 mills to Townships, 9.0 mills to School

Districts, and .1 mill to the Intermediate School District. This is the same proportion being proposed on the Ballot.

56 of the 83 Michigan Counties presently operate under a frozen millage.

This Proposal does not increase your millage or your taxes.

This Proposal does not decrease your millage or your taxes.

This Proposal does not give anyone the power or ability to raise or lower your millage or your taxes.

All local units of government would be able to plan on a specific allocation of millage each year.

If you have further questions concerning this Ballot Proposal, please contact your local Township, County or School Officials.

## Doing MORE...With LESS!

By the Staff of THE MOTHER EARTH NEWS

### FREE VITAMIN-RICH VEGETABLES!

There's a world of tasty, free-for-the-picking leaf vegetables to be found in fields, in vacant lots, along streams... and even shooting up among your own garden crops!

One of the most common edible wild greens is lamb's-quarters (*Chenopodium album*). This nutritious relative of spinach (also known as goosefoot and pigweed) has jagged, diamond-shaped leaves with powdery-feeling, white-dusted undersides. Remember, though, that you should never eat any wild food until you have positively identified it as edible. (NOTE: Three guidebooks to wild plants are listed at the end of this article.) Harvest your "wild spinach" from plants no more than a foot high, or pick the youngest (uppermost) blades from more mature specimens. The delicately flavored leaves can be steamed, or used in most any recipe calling for spinach.

Another "weed" that's earned a lot of names (including careless weed, redroot, and, also, pigweed) is amaranth (*Amaranthus retroflexus* and *hybridus*). This extremely common plant has rough, oval-but-pointed leaves that are borne on long, stalks, and a crimson-colored root. An excellent hunting ground for amaranth is the space between rows of cultivated crops. The young leaves are favored as salad makings, but the fronds taste even better when fried, steamed, creamed, or boiled and served with a homemade cheese sauce.

A favorite wild food among foragers is purslane (*Portulaca oleracea*), better known as "pussley". The paddle-shaped leaves shoot out from a plant that rarely grows over two inches tall but spreads horizontally, on fleshy, reddish-purple stems, with a vengeance. The greens taste good served raw in salads or sandwiches, cooked in meat loaf, fried in an egg batter, pickled, or added as a thickener to soups and gumbos.

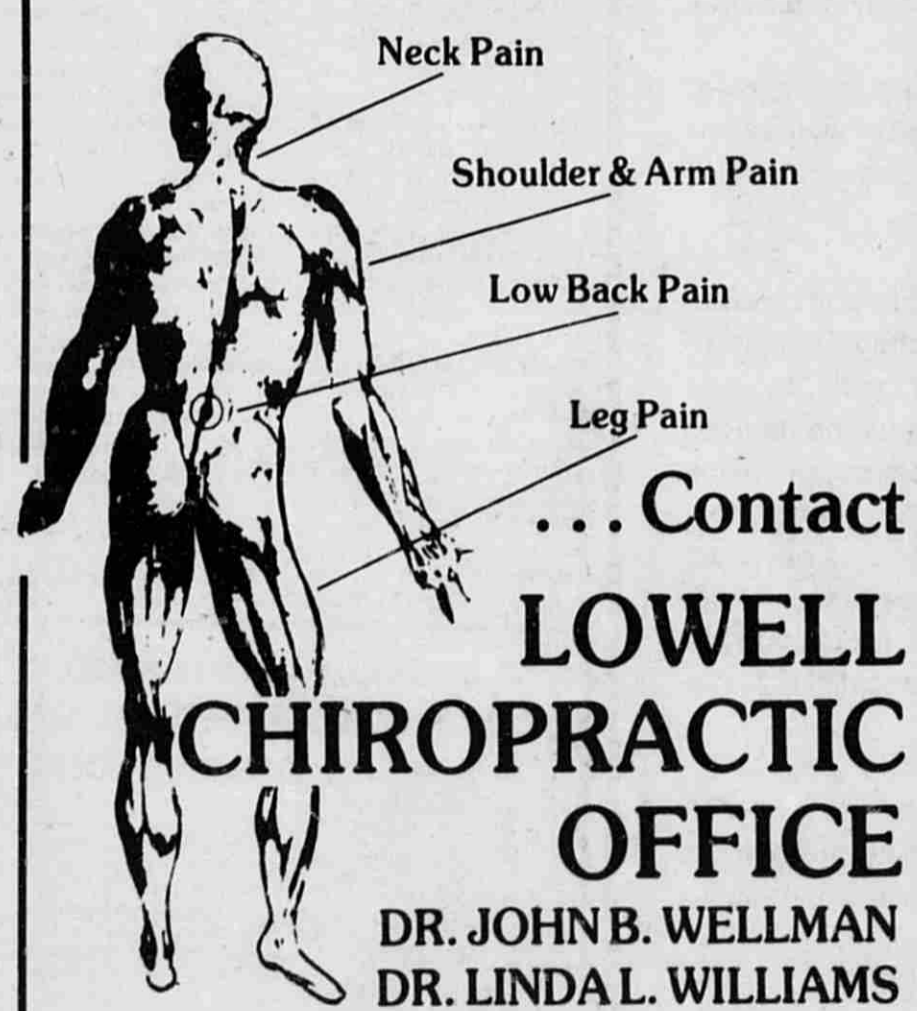
The most remarkable feature of winter cress is its availability during cold weather. *Barbarea vulgaris* is also called scurvy grass, upland cress, and spring tonic. This fast-growing plant can reach a height of over two feet. The youngest leaves make a crisp and tangy raw salad green, while the more mature blades serve well as boiled or steamed vegetables. In addition, in late spring you can pick some of the unopened winter cress flower buds, boil them for five minutes, and serve up some delicious "wild broccoli".

There are a zillion other flavorful wild greens: dandelion, curled dock, milkweed, plantain, fireweed, watercress, wild grapes, shepherd's purse, wood sorrel, chickweed, stork's-bill, burdock, chicory... and on and on. So gather... and enjoy!

NOTE: Lee Peterson's A Field Guide to Edible Wild Plants (Houghton Mifflin, \$10.95), Euell Gibbons' Stalking the Wild Asparagus (David McKay, \$5.95), and Billy Joe Tatum's Wild Foods Cookbook & Field Guide (Workman, \$5.95) are three good references for foraging. These books can be found in many libraries, good bookstores or—for their listed prices plus 95¢ (\$2.00 for three or more items) shipping and handling charges—from Mother's Bookshelf, P.O. Box 70, Hendersonville, N.C. 28791.

For FREE additional information on wild foods or on THE MOTHER EARTH NEWS magazine, send your name and address and ask for Reprint No. 619 "Anyone for a Calfat?" Mail to Doing MORE With LESS!, P.O. Box 70, Hendersonville, N.C. 28791 or in care of this paper. Copyright 1982 THE MOTHER EARTH NEWS, Inc.

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON INCREASING PROPERTY TAXES

The Township Board of the Township of Lowell will hold a public hearing on a proposed increase of .013 mills in the operating tax millage rate to be levied in 1982.

The hearing will be held on Monday, 16 August, 1982 at 8 o'clock in the p.m. at Lowell Township Hall 2910 Alden Nash, SE.

If adopted, the proposed additional millage will increase operating revenues from ad valorem property taxes 18.9% over such revenues generated by levies permitted without holding a hearing.

The taxing unit publishing this notice, and identified below, has complete authority to establish the number of mills to be levied from within its authorized millage rate.

This notice is published by:

Lowell Township Board  
2910 Alden Nash, S.E.  
Lowell, Michigan 49331  
(616) 897-7600

### Sid Smith seeks 90th district seat



Sid Smith

Sid Smith of Sparta has announced his bid for the 90th District State Representative seat currently held by the retiring Martin Butch of Rockford. Smith seeks the Democratic nomination in the August 10th primary. Two Democrats and seven Republicans are on the primary ballot.

Smith, who has taught American Government and coached at Kent City High School for the past 11 years, said of his candidacy, "I have always told my students to care and to get involved. I decided it was time to put my words into action."

Smith was a cum laude

graduate of Western Michigan University in 1971, majoring in Political Science. While at Western he was a Waldo-Sangren scholar and a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, Phi Eta Sigma and Kappa Delta Pi - all honorary fraternities.

"Michigan is at a crossroads," commented Smith. "There are major economic issues that must be dealt with during our current critical period, including land use legislation protecting our environment and farmland, property tax relief, reform in the welfare system and incentives to rebuild the business climate in the state."

"However, all too often our legislators use stop-gap methods to solve already existing problems and don't look far enough ahead to avoid others. Michigan's single greatest natural resource is probably her fresh water supply. This could be a key to Michigan's long term economic recovery. And yet little is being done to protect this resource from the 800 known or suspected surface pollution sites already identified by the DNR. This should be a top priority."

Smith also believes that a statewide method of financing our public schools should be found. "The state has

progressively spent a lower percentage of the state budget on public education over the past 15 years. This has put too great a strain on the local taxpayer. The educational quality of a whole generation of students is in jeopardy."

### CCC camp reunion

The men who were part of the Civilian Conservation Corp (CCC) Camp #678 in Cedar River, Michigan between 1933 and 1942 will have an opportunity to meet, after 40 or more years. A Reunion Picnic will be held for the men and their families on Saturday, August 14, from 11 a.m. till 7 p.m. at the J.W. Wells State Park in Cedar River, Michigan. Most of the men were in their teens or early twenties when they built trails, shelters, picnic tables, grills and planted trees throughout the area, now known as the J.W. Wells State Park.

Camping facilities are available, but it would be wise for those planning to use these facilities, to write for a reservation, so they

won't be disappointed. (J.W. Wells State Park - Cedar River, Michigan - Jim Harter, Park Manager). Everyone is responsible for their own food and refreshments. For those who would be traveling a long distance, there are a number of fast food places in Marinette, Wis., Menominee, Mich. and Stephenson, Michigan.

If interested parties have any further questions, they may send a self-addressed and stamped envelope with their questions to any of the following: Ed Bradford Rt. 3, Box 47, Pulaski, Wisc. 54162 - Al Bradford, Rt. 2, Box 495, Menominee, Mich. 49858 - or Jim Harter, Park Manager, J.W. Wells State Park (M-35), Cedar River, Mich. 49813.

### Eddy makes All-State team



As a fitting finale to an outstanding high school softball career, Lisa Eddy a 1982 Saranac High School graduate, has been chosen as a High School All-State player and will play in the state All-Star game in Lansing on Saturday, August 7.

Eddy played four years of varsity ball for Saranac making the first team all-conference her last three seasons, and conference most valuable player her junior year. Also during her junior year Eddy received Lansing State Journal All-Area and Grand Rapids Press All-Area honors. Her Senior year, Eddy made the Lansing State Journal's All-Area, and All-Region teams, besides picking up All-State Honorable Mention recognition.

Eddy credits her coaches, Barb and Joe Vezino of Lowell with helping her achieve the honors.

### Michigan's only one-half mile pro race

Professional AMA sanctioned motorcycle racing returns to the Ionia Free Fair Saturday August 7th at 2:30 p.m. for the sixth annual half-mile dirt race ... the only pro event set for Michigan in 1982 and the only race scheduled in the USA that day ... good for Ionia.

Around 100 racers from ten states and Canada will compete including: area favorites like; Ted Boody from Lansing and Garth Brow of Flint both Ionia Fair winners, defending champ Charlie Robert of Wheeling, WVA, and Tom Maitland of Clio who kissed the wall in 81 and still won the Jr. final. He is now an expert and has several wins to his credit.

Winston Pro Series riders are between "nationals" and will use Ionia as practice for their next event, in Chicago, also a pure clay track. Nationals pay ten times the purse of \$2,700 offered in Ionia but the smaller races are essential to groom younger riders for the circuit such as; Charlie Bowles and Bryan Hardin of Pontiac, age 16 and Juniors. They will be as exciting to watch as the better-paid Experts and will

race in two events ... the Junior event and the featured "Battle of the Brands" which allows only novices and juniors of 500cc four-stroke bikes to race. These guys have been at each other's elbows all season and are the youngest juniors in the nation.

Novices, Juniors and Experts will compete and hit 110 mph on the dirt and even though they have brakes they seldom use them ... relying instead on throttle control and good traction to slow them in the turns as they throw their machines sideways and put their steel shoe ("hotshoe") on the track as an outrigger. Only Harley-Davidsons are winning the Expert class but the featured "Battle of the Brands" is just that - a wide mixture of what is widely sold to the public as street legal but converted into expensive hand-built racing exotics but not to exceed the value of \$2,500. A claiming rule like that found in horse racing keeps the equipment in that price range ... a Harley costs \$15,000.

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### NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON INCREASING PROPERTY TAXES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on August 23, 1982, at 7:30 o'clock p.m. at the Board offices of the Board of Education of Lowell will hold a public hearing on the levying in 1982 of an additional proposed millage rate of 5.9429 mills for operating purposes pursuant to Act 5, Public Acts of Michigan, 1982.

The Board of Education has the complete authority to establish that 31.4 mills be levied in 1982 if an election proposal of 3.4 mills receives a favorable vote.

The maximum additional proposed millage rate would increase revenues for operating purposes from ad valorem property tax levies in 1982 otherwise permitted by Act 5, Public Acts of Michigan, 1982, by twenty-four and ninety-eight hundredths percent (24.9796%).

The Lowell Area School District is an "in-formula" school district and receives a basic per pupil state aid allowance. If the Lowell Area School District reduced its present operating levy from 27.7758 mills to 25.4571 mills, its basic per pupil state aid guarantee for the 1982-83 school year would be reduced from \$1,874 per pupil to \$1,747 per pupil (\$127 per pupil). If voters approve the millage request in the forthcoming special election it would be reduced from the proposed operating levy of 31.4 mills to 25.4571 mills, and its basic per pupil state aid guarantee for the 1982-83 school year would be reduced from \$2,071 to \$1,747 per pupil or a loss of \$324 per pupil. These calculation are based on the 1982 basic per pupil state aid allowance that is most likely to be adopted.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony and discuss the levy of an additional millage rate. Not less than seven (7) days following the public hearing, the Board of Education may approve all or any portion of the proposed additional millage rate.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education.

Linda Beers, Secretary  
C38

### cozy corner

By Roger Brown

The whole family went to the grocery store last night, and as usual the kids and I got in trouble with Terese. She always insists that we all go together, but for the life of me I can't understand why.

The kids have to take turns pushing the cart, and neither one of them can stand to plod along at Terese's pace while she peruses the shelves. What always ends up happening is the kids wait at the end of an aisle, for Terese to trundle up with an armload of stuff and lecture them about not running off with the cart. Same thing the next aisle, and the next, and the next, and the next ....

Terese has become very proficient at pretending she doesn't know who the heck we are when we're in the grocery store. She read the ingredients on a bottle of salad dressing when I feigned a forward pass with a cantaloupe telling Casey to run a pattern down the produce aisle and I'd hit him by the bananas. It's easy to tell the embarrassed wife though, she's the only one not watching the dummy with the cantaloupe.

Terese closely double-checked her grocery list when I found a stockboy's price sticker gun and holster in one of the aisles. I went into my James Cagney bit and pulled the gun on Casey. He put up his hands, but I showed no mercy and blasted him with a 4/51.00 sticker before he knew what hit him. Terese moved on without comment.

The kids did their usual begging. Casey wanted a model car and Angie wanted a Garfield doll. I retaliated by begging for two new kids, pointing out several in the store that I thought would make swell replacements for the ones I have. Terese continued to ignore us.

It's pretty hard for Terese to ignore us at the checkout, because we're all bunched in there together. To save being embarrassed she went over to check out a nearby suntan oil display, while we unloaded the cart. She would have been all right this time, as the unloading went without incident, but she may have been thinking about the time I dropped an \$11.00 bottle of whiskey. Even I was embarrassed that time; Terese was mortified.

A near miss on a Cadillac in the parking lot as Angie pushed the cart to the car was the only incident left before loading the groceries and clearing the parking lot. Terese breathed her usual sigh of relief.

### Ask the Governor

**QUESTION:** On a recent trip to the Capitol Building in Lansing, I noticed that there weren't any of the usual annual flowers in the beds around the building. Why not?

**GOVERNOR:** This spring for the first time there were no flowers planted around the Capitol Building. There are still the tulips, iris and other perennial flowers in a few of the beds, but because of the current financial situation in Michigan, the state budget has been slashed to the bare essentials in every area.

We do not consider the planting of flowers around the state buildings absolutely necessary, and they do require quite a bit of maintenance, so we opted to eliminate them for the 1982 season. This year's budget cut the ground crew by about 50 to 60 percent, and there currently are only enough grounds staff to keep the lawns mowed.

The flower beds are worked up occasionally to keep them from being overgrown with weeds in the hope that we will have the funds to replant them in another year.

**QUESTION:** Although summer relieves the energy "crunch," is progress continuing in the development of Michigan's coal mining industry?

**GOVERNOR:** In the last 50 years, Michigan has reclaimed only a very small portion of its coal deposits, but current trends imply that coal mining will have increased importance in the future of this state. Until the 1970s, our efforts to develop coal mining were minimal, as it was less expensive to import coal from other states in the nation than to develop the industry in Michigan. With rising transportation costs, new surface mining and reclamation techniques, and other new technology, Michigan's coal deposits are becoming more attractive to miners.

According to official estimates, Michigan has some 250 million tons of high quality bituminous coal, yet unexcavated, which has the potential of generating over \$2.5 billion and many jobs. One major problem, however, is that Michigan coal has a higher sulfur content than imported coal and is

more harmful to the environment. Also, most of Michigan's coal reserves are in the center of the lower peninsula, beneath prime agricultural lands.

I wholeheartedly support the development of coal mines in Michigan, provided that it is done in a manner consistent with sound environmental practices and in a way that does not unduly jeopardize prime agricultural land.

In July, 1978, I committed Michigan to developing and establishing a set of rules and regulations concerning the future of coal mining. Before adjourning this June, the Michigan Senate passed a bill to tighten up Michigan's weak mining regulations, as the industry is becoming more of a reality. I feel that this is the first step toward developing productive coal mines in Michigan.

If you have a question for "Ask the Governor," send it to:

Press Section  
Executive Office  
State Capitol  
Lansing, Michigan 48909

### FIRST AID FACTS

#### Summertime At The Beach

The beach is likely to win many family polls for favorite summer spot. Help make it a happier place by practicing rules of safety and common sense.



Beach time should be fun for the entire family.

Cuts and scrapes do occur, even on the most care-free beach days. Keep a first aid kit as part of your regular beach gear. Care for minor wounds with these easy steps: **CLEANSE** with mild soap, running water and a sterile pad. **TREAT** with first aid cream or antibiotic ointment. **COVER** with a non-stick sterile pad or **BAND-AID** Brand Adhesive Bandage. **TAPE** securely to keep out dirt and germs.

Kids learn by example. Practice safety rules and common sense for a healthy and happy summer.

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Did you ever see a desk race? How about an obstacle relay race on wheeled chairs? Well you can catch these wacky contests and more during Crazy Corporate Challenges, July 30, starting at 11:30, downtown Monroe Center. It's all part of City Celebration's Matinee on the Mall and it promises to be one of the zaniest lunch-time treats of the summer!

There will be ten corporate teams participating. Come on down and cheer on your favorite: Beane Garter & Co., Amway Grand Plaza Hotel, Grand Rapids Recreation Dept., Michigan Bell Telephone, Michigan Crystal Flash Petroleum, Steketees, Herps, Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce, H.B. Shaine & Co., and Sefton Associates.

Team competition commences at 11:30 a.m. at the Monroe Amphitheater and events include: the Desk

Dash, Take a Letter, Office Obstacles, Putt-Putt and Nine to Five. The "piece de resistance" will be the Dress for Failure Contest at 12:30 p.m. on the Checkerboard stage. The corporate team that racks up the most points from all the events will win a wonderful, wacky prize.

The public won't be left on the sidelines, by the way. You're invited to participate in the Paper Clip Chain and Paper Wad Shooting contests. Plus, there will be the Top 40 sounds of Edye Evans and Friends for your listening pleasure and food everywhere! So come on downtown, Friday, July 30th at 11:30 for Crazy Corporate Challenges and find out just how zany Grand Rapids can be!

If you would like additional information, call Cindy Clair at the Arts Council, 454-9221.

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**Saranac postmaster appointed**

The appointment of Nancy S. Jackson as Postmaster at Saranac, effective July 10, has been announced by Paul N. Carlin, Regional Postmaster General for the 13-state Central Region.

Mrs. Jackson has been an employee of the Postal Service since 1973 and has served as a Part-time Flexible Clerk at Clarksville, and since 1978 at the Grand Ledge Post Office. She functioned as Officer-In-Charge on Saturdays while working weekdays at Grand Ledge.

Mrs. Jackson is the mother of five children - a son, who lives in Oklahoma, and four daughters, one of whom resides with her at Lake Odessa. She plans to move to Saranac in the near future. She is a member of the

Central United Methodist Church at Lake Odessa.

Postmasters are selected on merit, based on recommendations by a management selection board, and appointed by the Postmaster General. Appointments are not subject to Senate confirmation.

**United in marriage June 26**

Marlene Marks and Lars Sjöholm were united in marriage at the Lowell Missionary Church on June 26, 1982 at 3:00 p.m. Marlene is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Marks of Lowell and Lars is the son of Eva and Ivan Sjöholm of Stockholm, Sweden.



Marlene and Lars Sjöholm

The bride's father, Rev. Glenn Marks, officiated at the ceremony which was a unique combination of Swedish and American traditions. The couple exchanged their vows in both English and Swedish.

Jeanette Marks was her sister's Maid of Honor and Best Man was Stefan Jafs from Sweden. Ushers were Thomas Marks of Mishawaka, Indiana and Jeffrey Lindgren of Chicago, Illinois.

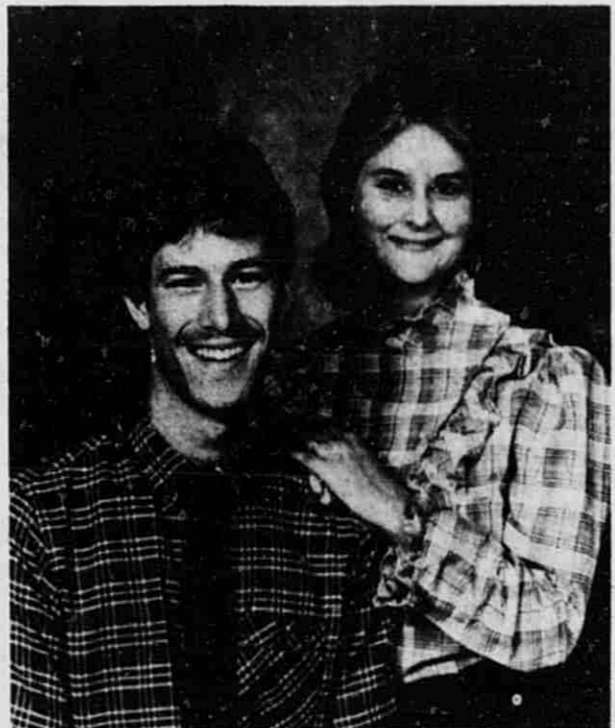
Following the ceremony, the couple went by pony cart to the home of the bride's parents on Foreman Road. The reception was held in the yard where a Swedish Midsummer pole had been raised since the wedding took place on Midsummer Day. This is an important holiday in Sweden. The bride and groom took an active part in the entertainment playing Swedish folk music on their violin and clarinet, and leading in other festivities centered around the Midsummer Pole. Everyone enjoyed this time of celebration.

Marlene and Lars flew to Sweden on July 25th. They will make their home in Stockholm where Lars is employed as an engineer for Sullair Technology.

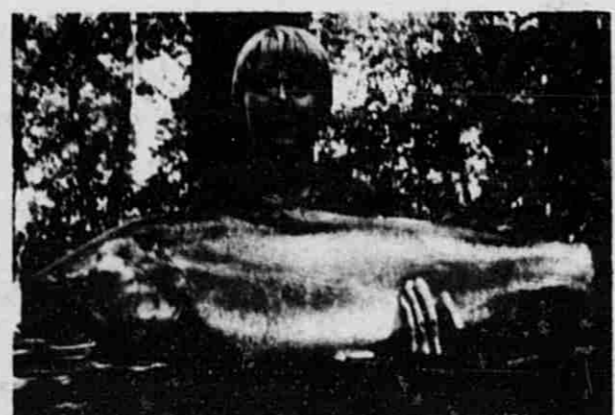
**Winter wedding plans**

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Serne of Ada have announced the engagement of their daughter, Teresa to Dale Peters of Ada. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Peters of Lowell. The couple plan a December wedding after Dale completes basic training and schooling for the United States Marine Corps. She is employed at School-

house Ice Cream Shop in Ada. Both graduated from Lowell in 1982.



Teresa Serne and Dale Peters



THE SALMON ARE COMING!! It won't be long and area anglers will be catching salmon like this twenty pounder caught by twelve year old Todd Lyon of 3825 Hilton S.E. in Lowell. The fish hit a blue J-plug in Lake Michigan near Saugatuck.

# GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION

## To the Qualified Electors:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That a General Primary Election will be held in the City of Lowell, Lowell Township, Vergennes Township, Bowne Township And Grattan Township, County of Kent, State of Michigan on:

# TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1982

AT THE PLACES OF HOLDING THE ELECTION AS INDICATED BELOW:

### CITY OF LOWELL

Precinct No. 1, Runciman Elementary School  
300 High Street

Precinct No. 2, Bushnell Elementary School  
700 Elizabeth Street.

Ray E. Quade, City Clerk

### VERGENNES TOWNSHIP

Corner of Bailey Drive and Parnell Avenue,  
Vergennes Township Hall

Irene Osborne, Clerk Vergennes Township

### BOWNE TOWNSHIP

6059 Linfield Avenue, Alto, Bowne Township Hall

Sandra Kowalczyk, Clerk

### LOWELL TOWNSHIP

2910 Alden Nash, S.E., Lowell Township Hall

Carol Wells, Clerk Lowell Township

### GRATTAN TOWNSHIP

Village of Grattan, Grattan Township Hall

Patrick Malone, Clerk Grattan Township

FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLACING IN NOMINATION BY ALL POLITICAL PARTIES PARTICIPATING THEREIN, CANDIDATES FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICES, VIZ:

**STATE GOVERNOR**  
**CONGRESSIONAL UNITED STATES SENATOR, REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS**  
**LEGISLATIVE STATE SENATOR, REPRESENTATIVE**  
**COUNTY COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

ALSO ANY ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS OR PROPOSITIONS THAT MAY BE SUBMITTED

AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLACING IN NOMINATION, CANDIDATES PARTICIPATING IN A NON-PARTISAN PRIMARY ELECTION FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICE, VIZ:

**JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS, CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE, PROBATE COURT JUDGE, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE.**

AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING:

**Delegates To The County Convention of the Democratic, Republican and Anderson Coalition Parties.**

AND ALSO FOR:

**The Kent Count Tax Allocation Board's Question of Adopting Separate Tax Limitations.**

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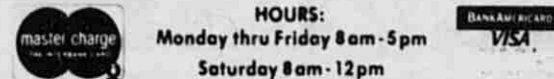
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- \* Aug 5th - ALABAMA
- \* Aug. 6th - RICK SPRINGFIELD
- \* Aug. 7th - JERRY REED
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Ecumenical Church Service - Aug. 1st

Fre Kiddle Show - Aug. 3rd

\$700 Give-away by Ionia Burger Chef

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Governor's Day - Aug. 4th

Ladies Day Program - Aug. 5th

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Motorcycle Races - Aug. 7th

Stock Car Races - Aug. 8th

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# NOTICE Lowell Township

The following ordinance was adopted by the Township Board, Township of Lowell, Kent County, Michigan, at their regular meeting held on the 19th day of July, 1982:

**ORDINANCE NO. 8-7-82 AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE AUTHORIZATION OF CATV OPERATIONS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWELL, KENT COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

### LOWELL TOWNSHIP ORDAINS:

**Section 1. AUTHORIZATION TO OPERATE.** No person shall install or operate a Community Antenna Television System within the Township of Lowell without having first obtained a formally executed Consent Agreement between the proposed installer or operator and the Township of Lowell.

**Section 2. DEFINITION.** Community Antenna Television System, or "CATV" means a system of coaxial cables or other electrical conductors and equipment used, or to be used, primarily to receive television or radio signals directly or indirectly off the air and to transmit them via cable to subscribers for a fixed or a variable fee, including the receipt, transmission and distribution of voices, sound, signals, pictures, visual images or any other type of close circuit transmission by means of electrical impulses.

**Section 3. APPLICATION.** Any proposed installer or operator of a Community Antenna Television System shall make formal application in writing to the Lowell Township Board. The application shall include the following information:

- The name, mailing address and telephone number of the proposed operator.
- The Corporate Charter, Partnership Agreement or other similar document which sets forth the legal status of the proposed operator.
- A list of the owners and officers of the proposed operator.
- The most recent annual financial statement of the proposed operator.
- A list of the proposed television and/or radio signals to be carried.
- A statement of the estimated cost of providing service to the Township and how the proposed operator will bear this cost.
- A detailed description of the method of installation of cable and other electrical conductors and equipment.
- Evidence of all necessary easements or agreement to use or go upon the property of another for installation operation and maintenance of the system.
- Evidence that the operator can obtain performance and labor and material bonds.
- A schedule of all rates and charges to subscribers and users of the system.
- A specific timetable for providing services to residents within the Township, or a specific timetable for providing services to residents within certain areas of the Township.
- A description of services other than existing television signals which the proposed operator intends to offer subscribers. Such services may include two-way communication, public access channels, educational access channels and local government access channels.
- A statement that the operator will comply with all existing Federal Communication Commission Rules and Regulations related to CATV.
- Any other information as may be requested by the Township Board.

**Section 4. PUBLIC HEARING.** The Township Board shall hold a public hearing prior to selecting an operator to provide CATV services within the Township. At such public hearing, the applicant (s) shall make formal presentation(s) describing the services it intends to provide. Citizens of Township of Lowell shall be permitted to comment on the application(s).

**Section 5. SELECTION OF OPERATOR NEGOTIATION AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGREEMENT.** The Township Board, after public hearing, shall determine by Resolution a selected operator. The Re-

view Board shall thereafter negotiate with the selected operator in an attempt to complete the proposed CATV contract to be known as "The Consent Agreement".

The proposed Consent Agreement must be approved by the Township Board within ninety (90) days from determination of the selected operator, unless such time is extended by the Board, or if such Consent Agreement is not approved, all negotiations to be terminated.

In the event the Review Board and the selected operator cannot agree on a proposed Consent Agreement, it shall submit a list of items of disagreement between it and the selected operator, and the Township Board shall either approve or disapprove each of the items of disagreement, together with the remainder of the Consent Agreement.

In the event the Township Board shall not approve any proposed Consent Agreement, the Review Board shall attempt to negotiate a Consent Agreement with the second selected operator, in the same manner, and within the same or similar timeframe, as established for the first selected operator.

In the event no Consent Agreement is approved by the Township Board with the second selected operator, the Township Board shall hold a new public hearing for applications as provided under Section 4, of this Ordinance.

**Section 6. CABLE TELEVISION REVIEW BOARD.** A Cable Television Review Board is hereby created which shall evaluate, monitor and review the proposed Consent Agreement, and the performance and service of CATV operators. The Township Board shall act as the Review Board or shall appoint a five (5) member Review Board at its option, and said Board shall meet as often as necessary to carry out the duties herein described.

The Review Board shall have the duties of:

- Negotiating a Consent Agreement with the selected operator.
- Holding public hearings on all aspects of a CATV operator's performance at three (3) year intervals following the formal execution of a Consent Agreement; as well as holding any additional hearings it believes necessary prior to the execution of the Consent Agreement.
- When applicable, reviewing the effectiveness of an operator in insuring public access to the CATV medium.
- Providing the appeal and hearing mechanism for customer complaints which are not resolved to the mutual satisfaction of the customer or the system operator. The procedures established by the Review Board shall be consistent with the Township, and shall at all times insure and preserve the full measure of due process of law.
- Any additional responsibilities which may from time to time be necessary to assure a CATV operator is performing consistent with the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Township of Lowell, Kent County, Michigan.

The Review Board shall have complete access to any and all records, documents or information of a CATV operator necessary to evaluate and monitor the performance of such operator and to resolve customer complaints.

**Section 7. TRANSFER OF LICENSE.** No Consent Agreement shall be approved by the Township Board unless it provides that the franchise held by the Cable operator shall not be transferred or assigned, nor shall control of the franchisee or Cable operator be transferred or assigned without prior written approval of the Township Board.

**Section 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Ordinance shall take effect thirty days after its publication.

Carol L. Wells  
Lowell Township Clerk  
897-7600

## New American Country music

The music is changing at Charlton Park. Using traditional instruments, the musicians are known as an "audience band" that delivers an old-time sound in the styles of folk, blues, jazz and even rock, when appropriate.

Last, but certainly one of the leaders of the day's bill, is the Sweet Corn String Band of Kalamazoo, a favorite of audiences during the eight years of the Thornapple Music Festivals. Sweet Corn bases its music in traditional bluegrass and old-time music with the flair of contemporary styles.

On stage, beginning at 11:30 a.m. will be Footloose from Ann Arbor, Lost World String Band from the Lansing area, Iowa Rose 'n riff raff from the Grand Rapids area, Sweet Corn String Band of Kalamazoo, and the Hotmud Family from New York state.

"We've had some of these bands at our previous festivals," says promoter Tim King, "and enjoyed their unique combinations of different country music styles. On August 1, we want them to have their day when the best of these contemporary bands will appear together."

The Hotmud Family recently celebrated its tenth anniversary. The distinctive sound of the band with six albums under its belt draws from the strengths of more than 50 years of country music traditions: a style with the rhythmic lilt and instrumental virtuosity of the old-time string bands combined with the expressive vocal technique and sweet harmony singing common to bluegrass and country music. They have performed in the United States, Canada and Europe.

Iowa Rose 'n riff raff has become a favorite at the Thornapple Music Festival in recent years. The band has been on the circuit developing a show of bluegrass, country, old-time, folk, rhythm and blues and swing music using both traditional acoustic instruments with a touch of electric instruments.

Lost World String Band began as a traditional string band and has also moved into the other areas of American country music. Like the other performers, Lost World has been traveling a circuit where they can branch out and perfect their combination of tradition and contemporary styles.

Footloose is making its first appearance at Charlton Park with a style of music it

### Carlos Montoya to perform

The world famous master of the Flamenco guitar, Carlos Montoya, will appear at Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp August 7 at 8 p.m.

The essence of Flamenco for Montoya is the improvisational freedom within his music. It comes from the heart, the soul, and indeed, from the Spanish gypsy tradition that spawned Flamenco music itself.

"If you stop and think about it while you are playing," says Montoya with a smile, "The spirit just disappears."

However, Montoya, often referred to as "Mr. Flamenco," points out that Fla-



The normal, average human being breathes about 700,000 cubic inches of air every day.

## Create designer look from your old sofa

Your sofa is almost like an old friend. It's right at the center of your home life, a natural spot for family and friends to relax and share good times.

Because it is such an old friend, you may not notice how much wear and tear it takes. But when you stop to look at it objectively, you may see a piece that's slightly out of style, maybe even lumpy, saggy and well, a little faded.

Perhaps your budget won't stretch for that sleek new decorator sofa that caught your eye in the furniture store last week.

What's the alternative? You may be surprised to discover a new look in your old sofa, a look that you can create to fit into your lifestyle and your color scheme. The magic transformation can be done effortlessly through professional reupholstering, and you may well end up with an added bonus. Your restyled sofa may be a better value for the money you are willing to spend, because many old sofas are built with solid wood frames—maple, oak, pine—and better quality construction all around than today's new sofas.

If the frame of the sofa is split or cracked, consider a visit to your local thrift store or garage sale. You can probably buy a very inexpensive old sofa with a solid frame for reupholstering.

First, think about color. This is the element that creates the mood: bright and sassy or quiet and cool.

In both traditional and modern-style furniture, today the trend is still toward light natural tones, at home most anywhere. Blues, dark greens and navies are dominant in more formal-style furniture, while sleek new sofas are appearing in browns, rust/cognacs and camels.

Mauves are being used, especially in the background of cheery checks, paisley and quilt motifs is becoming popular. There's a creative use of gold and other metallics in prints, stripes and weaves.

Today's emphasis is on the "soft" look—furniture with pluckers, shirred edges, pleated backs.

Keep in mind that for busy homes with small children, a vinyl-coated fabric is more durable than cloth and can be wiped clean. But you need not give up the cloth look. Your upholsterer can show you a variety of Naugahyde brand fabrics in florals, stripes, nubby and smooth textures, suede-like fabrics, plus leather-look patterns that are difficult to distinguish from expensive genuine leather. Good-quality vinyl-coated fabrics are extra durable and pliable, especially Naugahyde's nonwoven-back vinyls.

And now that you've made these decisions, what about restyling? Your upholsterer can offer suggestions here.

Having the sofa reupholstered can be a wise investment. It's also a chance for you to let your creative juices flow and come up with a piece of furniture that can help set the tone for the focal point of your home, the living area. Here are some tips on how to achieve that decorator touch.

•Have the sofa reupholstered in the same style to give it a fresh look.

•Add inexpensive but creative touches such as shirred pillows, buttons on the back, contrasting color trim, pluckers in seat cushions or back, extra padding at arms to give a totally new look.

•Add new legs—it'll give the finished sofa the final designer touch.

•Structural changes, such as altering the sofa's frame, can run costs up fast.

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## Reagan appoints committee to fight drunk driving

There is a widespread epidemic in this country, indiscriminately killing thousands of Americans each year. The problem has become so serious, in fact, that President Ronald Reagan recently named a 26-member blue ribbon commission to combat it.

The problem is drunk driving, and over half of the 50,700 people who were killed on the nation's highways last year were victims of this epidemic.

The committee, which consists of senators, congressmen, governors and concerned private citizens, plans to heighten awareness of the drunk driving epidemic and to persuade state and local communities to do something about it.

One commissioner has started work already. Dr. Joseph Pursch, Medical Director of the nationwide CAREUNIT program, including the Kent Community Hospital CAREUNIT here in Grand Rapids, got drunk to prove a point.

Pursch, a moderate drinker, participated in an experiment to test reactions and judgement while driving under the influence of alcohol.

"I got involved with the experiment to learn more about the drunk driving problem," explained Pursch, a former navy doctor who has treated such illuminaries as Betty Ford and Sen. Henry Talmadge. "Many of my patients claim they can drive better after a few drinks. I was curious to see if this was true."

The test is designed to measure a participant's reaction time to everyday traffic situations before and after drinking enough booze to raise the blood alcohol level to .10, the legal intoxication level in California and in most states, as well as Michigan.

The test was conducted by the Academy of Defensive Driving, a school based in Newport Beach, CA, that teaches driving skills.

For Pursch, the test was a success. He failed! The syndicated columnist ran six out of six red lights.

"My reactions were all fuzzy," he says. "I could see the signals but I just couldn't react fast enough."

Pursch estimates that roughly 50 percent of first offenders, 70 percent of second offenders and 100 percent of third offenders are alcoholics.

For both the alcoholic and nonalcoholic caught driving under the influence, Pursch believes in "on the spot mandatory incarceration."

"Drunk drivers should be jailed immediately upon arrest and should be held for a minimum of 48 hours. No bail, no bargaining, no releases," Pursch says resolutely. "It's important that jail time be immediate when it has the most effect, not 30 days down the road. Immediate jail time can be very therapeutic, since behavioral changes will most likely take place when a person is in crisis and the adverse experience is new and foreign to his or her life-style."

"Jail will usually frighten the nonalcoholic into becoming a responsible drinking driver," says Ochsankhel. "But for the alcoholic, incarceration without rehabilitation doesn't work. Statistics show that an alcoholic will drink and drive again."

"But while jail does not rehabilitate, it can work as an intervention technique if used properly by the judicial system," Ochsankhel continued. "By intervention, I mean that after spending time in jail, it would be easier for someone to convince the alcoholic to seek treatment."

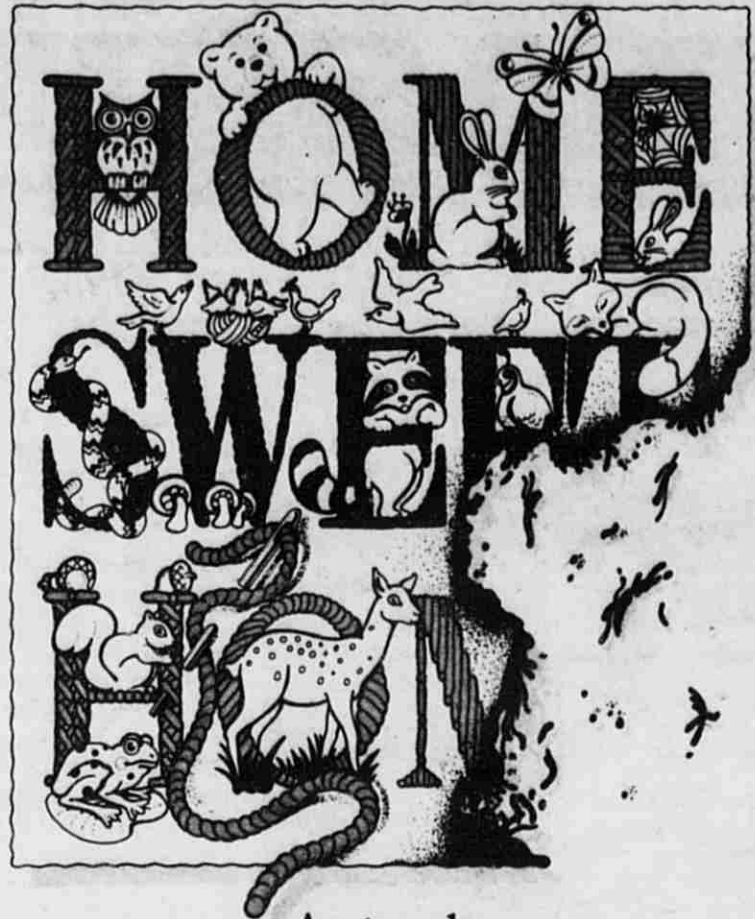
"If judges would order inexpensive diagnostic testing for all drunk driving offenders, the alcoholic and the nonalcoholic could easily be discerned and sentenced accordingly."

"Isn't it the judicial system's responsibility to protect the public from a person who drinks and drives?" Ochsankhel asked.

Actually, it is everyone's responsibility to keep the drunk driver off the streets. If you know someone who has had too much to drink and plans on driving, Kent Community Hospital CAREUNIT suggests that you:

Take his keys, call a cab, make arrangements for the intoxicated person to get a ride home with you or someone else. Or arrange for the intoxicated person to have a place to "sleep it off" before driving.

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