

The Grand Valley Ledger

Volume 6, Issue 40

Serving Lowell Area



Readers Since 1893

August 11, 1982

Lowell High School class registration begin next week

During the week of August 16, Lowell Senior High School students will be scheduling classes. The 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students are asked to come to arrange their schedules in a college type registration.

Ninth grade students will have schedules arranged from their course selections and ready to be picked up in the high school cafeteria as soon as they arrive at school for classes on August 30.

Students new to Lowell Senior High School should come to the Student Service Center of the high school to

enroll during the week of August 9, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. New students should be accompanied by their parent or legal guardian.

Upperclassmen should come to the school to schedule classes at the times listed below. For those sophomores, juniors, and seniors who do not come to register, a schedule will be worked out for the classes he/she had selected in the spring.

REGISTRATION FOR CLASS SCHEDULES:
(Please enter the high school at the back (GYM)

entrance to register)
TUESDAY, AUGUST 17
CLASS OF '83
Seniors with last name beginning:
S-Z 9:00 a.m.
I-R 10:00 a.m.
A-H 11:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18
CLASS OF '84
Juniors with last name beginning:
S-Z 9:00 a.m.
I-R 10:00 a.m.
A-H 11:00 a.m.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19
CLASS OF '85
Sophomores with last name beginning:
S-Z 9:00 a.m.
I-R 10:00 a.m.
A-H 11:00 a.m.

If you have any questions regarding enrollment and/or registration for classes, please call the high school at 897-9202.

4-H Fair is underway

The 1982 Kent County Youth Fair will end with something new this year.

The Kent County 4-H Agricultural Association is sponsoring a demolition derby on August 14 at 8:00 p.m. at the Lowell 4-H Fairgrounds.

The gate fee will cost \$3 and spectators will see four action-packed preliminary heats with cash prizes awarded to the last two cars in each heat. The eight preliminary heat winners will compete for the \$100 cash prize in the final heat.

The pit will open for entries at 4:00 p.m., and the first 50 entries will be accepted. The entrants must be over 17 and the cost is \$5. For more information, call 774-3265.

YOUTH FAIR PROGRAM OF JUDGING AND ACTIVITIES

The 1982 Kent County Youth Fair Program of Judging and Activities is as follows:

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11
9:00 a.m. - Judging of Swine, Poultry and Horse Halter and Showmanship.
2:00 p.m. - Judging of Beef Breeding Classes.

5:00 - 10:00 p.m. - Ice Cream Social sponsored by Kent 4-H Service Club.
7:00 p.m. - Livestock Sale at Reath Building.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12
9:00 a.m. - Dairy Showmanship, Horsemanship, Pleasure and Speed Judging.

10:00 a.m. - Judging of Dairy Goats.
11:30 a.m. - Judging of Dairy Type Classes.

2:30 p.m. - Pet Parade - any pet may be entered by any youngster ages 2-13 years (No 4-H Fair project can be shown in the parade.)
3:30 p.m. - Clowning Project Performances and Evaluation Foreman Building.

5:00 - 10:00 p.m. - Ice Cream Social.
7:00 p.m. - Contesting - Horse Arena.

7:30 p.m. - Grandstand - Livestock Parade, Presentation of 1982 Fair Queen and Court Games and contests for youngsters.

Appointments not always needed at Vanity Hair Fashions, open 5 days Lowell, 897-7506.

ROSIES - French toast 95c. 2 chill dogs, \$1.20.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13
9:00 a.m. - Novice Day - Horse Exhibitors.

9:30 a.m. - Goat Cart Competition.

10:30 a.m. - Showmanship Sweepstakes.

2:30 p.m. - Tractor Driving Contest.

5:00 p.m. - Parade of Horse Clubs - Horse Arena.

5:00 - 10:00 p.m. - Ice Cream Social.

7:00 - 11:00 p.m. - Service Club Dance.

7:00 p.m. - Lightweight Draft Horse Pulling Contest.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14
8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Release of Exhibits (All exhibits must be picked up during this time.)

8:00 p.m. - Demolition Derby (Gate fee will be charged.)

McDonagh Amusements will present rides and games all week!!!

Fair Board Members include E.L. Phelps, president,

Bud Fairbrother, vice president; Marvin Bunn, treasurer; and Carol Meyer, secretary. Other members are Russ Barkow, Tom Briggs, Alan Adsmund, Keith Caldwell, Gene LaBelle, Jim Newman, Larry McDonough and Leon Snyder.

Junior Fair Board Directors are Greg Gryka, Janice Meyer, Tim Scott, Chuck Skinner, Todd Zandbergen and Steve Adsmund.



CROSS COUNTRY PRACTICE BEGINS

Lowell High School's cross country team will hold its first practice on Monday, August 16, rain or shine. Interested students should report to the K-Quad of the High School at 9:00 a.m.

OOPS!

A couple of businesses were overlooked in our "Along Main Street" item which mentioned those that would be participating in last week's sidewalk sale. A "SORRY!" and a promise to include you next year goes out to Dave Clark Plumbing and Heating and That "Special" Place. Perhaps if the editor would stay at his desk instead of taking a vacation, such mistakes might not happen. On the other hand, that's no guarantee either.

NEW BRIDGE VERY NEAR OPENING

Lowell's new bridge over the Grand River at Division Street is in the final stages of completion. A crew that is to set the guard railings on the bridge approaches is slated to begin work today. Other than that the bridge is virtually complete and should be open to traffic sometime next week. A formal ribbon cutting ceremony will be scheduled by Kent County and Lowell officials. Several people have asked city hall about the cuts in the new pavement on the bridge. City Manager Ray Quada says that they are part of the bridge design to allow for expansion and contraction and are NOT a flaw in construction.

WHAT, NO ELECTION RESULTS?

The necessity of meeting our deadline at our printer made it impossible for us to stall this issue long enough to include the election results of the August 10 primary. We will however include the results in next week's paper paying particular attention to candidates and offices in the Lowell area.

OFF THE BLOTTER

An injury accident occurred in the 2300 block of Segwon on the 2nd at 2:30 p.m. Rescue was called out to assist.

William Hansen was injured Thursday afternoon at Main and Hudson when he collided with a car driven by Michael Miller when Miller failed to stop for the traffic light.

Lowell police are investigating the theft of a pick-up truck last Wednesday afternoon. The truck was found Thursday afternoon on a road south of town.

PRECISION & FASHION HAIRSTYLING - For both men and women. Man's World Hairstyling. Phone 897-8102.

TAXI SERVICE
J&K SHUTTLING, TAXI & DELIVERY, 7 A.M. - 7 P.M. MON-SAT. PHONE 897-8638.



The rooster's crow at the break of dawn marks another busy day for 4-Hers at the Kent County 4-H Fair. These photos were all taken early Tuesday morning.

Vein observatory open house

Stepek lands whopper

AUTOMOBILES . . .

**MUST BE
INSURED
FOR**



29 12 FEB 77

YOUR PROTECTION

You must carry auto insurance for your car in most states, but the extent of coverage and policy prices vary. We can create a policy for you offering the most extensive coverage at the most reasonable prices.

J.R.B.

Agency, Inc.

835 W. Main 897-9253

You may not be able to catch a falling star and put it in your pocket, but at the Vein Observatory's Annual Open House you may be able to catch a glimpse of your favorite star ... close up. The week long Open House runs from Monday August 23 through Friday August 27, from 8:30 - 11:00 p.m. The Vein Observatory is located at 3308 Kissing Rock Road in Lowell. The Open House is free.

When the sky is clear, visitors will be able to view the moon and other celestial bodies through large telescopes. There is also the possibility that visitors will be able to view the recently discovered "Comet Austin", which will be in the evening skies briefly during late August.

"A Night on Kissing Rock Road", the Vein Observatory audio-visual program, is shown every half hour during the week. Tours of the Observatory and demonstrations of the radio telescope are also available, regardless of the weather.

To reach the Vein Observatory, follow Cascade Road to 36th Street. Go East on 36th Street to Kissing Rock Road (four miles). Go North on Kissing Rock Road 1/3 mile until you come to the Observatory drive, which will be clearly marked.

The Vein Observatory Annual Open House is sponsored by the Chaffee Planetarium of the Grand Rapids Public Museum and the Grand Rapids Amateur Astronomical Association.

Blood donor recruitment campaign

In an effort to avoid a shortage of blood for patients in Kent County, the Grand Valley Blood Program initiated the "Lifeline 8,000" blood donor recruitment campaign in the spring of 1982.

"Lifeline 8,000" has a goal of recruiting 8,000 new blood donors from businesses, churches, clubs, community groups and schools throughout Kent County in 1982 and 1983.

According to Tracey Kohl, Director of Blood Donor Resources for Grand Valley Blood Program, the campaign in which existing blood donor groups are being asked to increase the number of blood donors from their membership, has been met with enthusiasm from organizations throughout the area.

Three groups from the Lowell area have traditionally sponsored blood drives in cooperation with the Grand Valley Blood Program. They are the Lowell Lions Club, Local V.F.W. Post 8303 and the Lowell Moose Lodge.

"In 1981, we drew 111 pints of blood at the blood drives conducted in Lowell," said Kohl, "and so far in 1982, we have already collected 62 pints from just one blood drive."

"We feel that this shows a firm commitment from the people of Lowell to increase their participation as volunteer blood donors and we are very gratified with this response," Kohl continued.

Blood drives conducted by the Grand Valley Blood Program in collaboration with organized groups provide the blood and blood components needed every day for hospital patients in Butterworth, Blodgett, Ferguson-Droste-Ferguson, St. Mary's and Osteopathic Hospitals.

Each day of the week from 80 to 100 units of blood are required in Kent County. One unit of blood can serve several patients by being separated into components. Blood components such as plasma, platelets, and red cells are needed every day for burn patients, cancer treatment and open heart surgery patients.

Accidents and emergency needs such as infants needing blood exchanges immediately after their birth can drastically increase the anticipated need for blood on any given day.

Anyone between the ages of 17 and 66 may give blood if he or she is in good health and weighs over 113 pounds.

Lowell residents interested in donating blood to save lives in Kent County are urged to participate in Lowell community blood drives. They may also donate blood at the Grand Valley Blood Center at 1055 East Fulton in Grand Rapids. The blood center is open on Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and on Saturday mornings from 8:00 a.m. to noon.



Tony Stepek, 12, of Lowell landed this whopper 20" small mouth bass below the King Milling Co. dam on the Flat River. Stepek was using a night crawler. Stepek's friend and fishing partner Aaron Adams helped him land the big bass.

New optometrist in area

Dr. Gerald L. Almy II, of 2504 Ardmore S.E., announces his association with James Ford, O.D. Dr. Almy is married to the former Suzanne L. Snyder of Burton and has two sons, Gerrad age two years and Joshua age three months.

Dr. Almy is a 1973 graduate of Ionia High School. He did his undergraduate work at Central Michigan University in pre-optometry. In 1975 he was selected to be one of the initial twenty-one students to attend Ferris State College of Optometry. While at Ferris he was selected by the Faculty and

Bausch and Lomb to assist in contact lens research.

After graduating in 1979 he chose to pursue his profession with the U.S. Air Force. He received his commission in August 1979, as a Captain and spent three weeks in San Antonio, Texas, prior to being stationed at Norton Air Force Base outside of Palm Springs, California.

Dr. Almy is practicing Family optometry with special interests in children's vision and contact lenses.

His office hours are Tuesdays through Saturday with evening and early morning hours by appointment.

DODGE RAMPAGE



America's First Personal Size Pickup,
1140 Lb. Payload, 0-50 MPH in 6.5 sec.'s

Sth. 23T	Sth. 22T	Sth. 59T	Sth. 21T	Sth. 58T
List 7177	List 7509	List 7937	List 8137	List 9298
Disc. 300	Disc. 350	Disc. 400	Disc. 450	Disc. 500
300*	300*	300*	300*	300*

YOUR PRICE

\$6577 | \$6859** | \$7237** | \$7387** | \$8498****

*Rebate, **Taxes extra

Look's Like A Car - Acts Like A Truck

Plymouth

Dodge Trucks

VENNEN

LOWELL, MICHIGAN

CHRYSLER

Dodge

930 W. Main, Lowell • Phone 897-9281

I'm working to make your future a little more predictable.



Dale Johnson
1940 28th St., S.E.
Grand Rapids, MI 49508
(616) 241-5920

FARM BUREAU INSURANCE GROUP

To me, insurance is a way to provide security for you and those you love. I'm here to help with all your insurance needs—life, home, farm, car, business and more. I'll be there when you need me, serving you promptly, dependably, and with knowledgeable insurance counsel.

Sale

Shaker Sport Slacks
SUMMER COLORS
Only \$10.00

ENDS SATURDAY, AUGUST 14

THAT SPECIAL PLACE

215 W. Main, Lowell, 897-8545

Member Of The Lowell Area Chamber Of Commerce