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Alert dog warns master, both escape flames

An alert dog likely saved the life of James Marvin, 52, of 219 North West Street, Lowell last Thursday evening. Marvin was reportedly sound asleep at about midnight when the dog, appropriately named "Smoky", began raising a fuss as if he had to go outside. Marvin who rents an

apartment in the basement of the home owned by Betty Morris, 57, reluctantly put on his pants and went upstairs to let the dog out the garage door. When Marvin opened the door leading to the garage he was confronted with the heat and thick smoke of a fire. Marvin and Smoky, who

were the only ones home at the time, immediately fled from the fire. The blaze destroyed all of the attached garage before units from Lowell and Alto Fire Departments could bring it under control.

Morris, her daughter Pamela and another tenant Roger Kemp were not in the dwelling at the time of the fire. There was a smoke detector in the house, but Marvin said he did not hear it go off. Nearly all of Marvin's belongings were in the garage and were destroyed.

Lowell Fire Chief Frank Martin said the fire is under investigation by the State Fire Marshall's Office. Martin placed a damage estimate at about \$22,000, citing the complete loss of the garage, and much smoke and water damage to the interior of the home.



Units from Lowell and Alto Fire Departments battled this blaze at the Betty Morris residence last Thursday after midnight. The garage was totally destroyed, but the firefighters saved the main structure.

Photo by Pat Harkness



MEDIA BASKETBALL GAME

The Lowell Area Schools Athletic Boosters are sponsoring a "Media Basketball Game" on Wednesday, January 9 at 7:30 P.M. Lowell coaches and staff from the High School and Middle School will take on representatives from the area electronic media and press. The action will take place at the Lowell High School Gymnasium. Tickets prices for this annual fund raiser are \$1.50 for adults and \$1.00 for students. Come on out for a good time while supporting the Booster's worthwhile projects!

NO PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

The Public Health Nurse usually available at the Lowell City Hall on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month will not be at her post on Wednesday, December 26. She asks that you enjoy your holidays, and she looks forward to serving you again on second and fourth Wednesday through 1985.

ANNUAL ALUMNI HOCKEY GAME

The Lowell High School Alumni Hockey Game will be held on Friday, December 28 at the Cascade Sports Arena at 5:00 P.M. Admission for this exciting event is \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for students. All proceeds benefit the Lowell High School Hockey Team directly, and will be used to purchase ice time.

LAST MINUTE REMINDER

The public is cordially invited to attend a Holiday Concert performed by the Lowell High School Band and the Lowell High School Choir. The event will be held in the L.H.S. Gymnasium at 7:00 P.M. tonight, Wednesday, December 19.

TEEN DANCE SATURDAY

The "Teens United" group is now sponsoring Teen Dances every Saturday in the Lowell American Legion Roller Rink from 10:30 until 12:30 P.M. The dances are open to those aged 13 through 19 and cost is \$1.50 per person. Those attending these dances are asked to wear tennis shoes or socks. For more information about these dances or Teens United, call 897-8238.

ADVANCE NOTICE

The Ledger has finalized its schedule for its annual holiday shutdown. We will publish our normal Wednesday, December 26 issue two days early on Monday, December 24 so that Christmas greeting ads from area businesses will reach our readers prior to Christmas. Our deadlines for that issue will all be moved up accordingly as we intend to go to press on Saturday, December 22. Copy deadline for all news and advertising will be Thursday, December 20 at 5:00 P.M. As in past years we will skip one issue. This year we will not print a Ledger for Wednesday, January 2. We will resume publishing on Wednesday, January 9. Our offices will be closed from 5:00 Friday, December 21 until 8:00 P.M. Wednesday, January 2. Try as we might, we were unable to arrange for an early print out of our TV listings from our source in Atlanta. Consequently we will not be able to provide our readers with TV listings covering the week of Friday, January 4 thru Thursday, January 10. The Ledger apologizes for any inconvenience that our holiday closing might cause. This year is particularly difficult because both Christmas and New Years Day fall on our normal Tuesday press day. We thank you in advance for your understanding. Season's Greetings to all of you.

Council Okays Rate Hike

The Lowell City Council unanimously gave their nod of approval to the Lowell Cable Television Department's request for rate hikes on Basic Service, HBO and Cinemax. As was reported in the Ledger two weeks ago, the city owned LCTV has been losing money since it went on line in late 1982. In an effort to defray some of these losses, the LCTV Board of Directors asked for \$1.00 per month increased for Basic Service (now \$8.00) HBO (now \$8.95) and Cinemax (now \$7.00). The new rates will go into effect on January 1, 1985. LCTV also asked for a rate hike of another \$1.00 per month on Basic Service effective July 1, 1985, but the City Council recommended that the request be shelved and figured into LCTV's budget for the next fiscal year and will be subject to the public hearing process.

The council approved the purchase of a new utility truck for use by the Department of Public Works. The present truck is 15 years old and is termed to be beyond repair. The council awarded the bid to Vennen Chrysler, Dodge and Plymouth with their low bid of \$12,592.30. The bids were very close with all four Lowell new car dealers bidding, and only \$257.70 separating the high bidder from the lowest bid.

The council reviewed a request by Crystal Flash, 1002 W. Main, Lowell for a new SDM (beer and wine take-out) license with adjacent gas pumps. The State Liquor Control Commission has final authority in granting such licenses, but the local government and local law enforcement agencies are asked for their opinion. The application was written by Thomas Fasnfeld of 3510 Reeds Lake Blvd., Grand Rapids. The Lowell Police Department gave Fasnfeld and his company a clean report, but City Councilman Dean

"Framemaker" opens in mall



Isadora and Ed Prah are shown here with some of their barn board frames. Their new shop specializing in these custom frames and handcrafted gift items is located in the Rivertown Mall.

Another new business has opened its doors in Lowell. Ed and Isadora Prah of 111 N. Jefferson Street have opened "The Framemaker" shop in Rivertown mall. Ed has been making his beautiful custom frames from selected barnwood for about ten years, mostly for friends and relatives, but occasionally for profit. At the urging of several acquaintances he and Isadora decided to give his framemaking a try as a business.

The duo literally start from scratch when making these frames as they even tear down old barns to get their raw materials. The barnwood is then brushed extensively to enhance its beauty, but is never stained or finished in any way. Visitors to the shop will notice several different colors and shades of frames. Ed said the variations are caused by different woods, different ages of the wood and how the wood was affected by the sun and elements. "No two frames are exactly alike", Ed proudly points out.

The prints used by Ed and Isadora are carefully selected to complement the barnwood frames. Western scenes, wildlife, sailboats and outdoor scenes are popular. Their framed prints start at \$17.50, and Ed stresses, "we want to be an affordable art gallery". The Framemaker also has gifts on consignment from \$5.00. Custom framing of prints, original art and family photos are also services offered at the Framemaker. Their hours are 11:00 A.M. through 9:00 P.M. Tuesday through Saturday.

Buy your Holiday film at MODERN MINI-LAB & CAMERA! - With this ad we will take 10% off the purchase of any film in stock until Christmas. 897-5606, 106 W. Main Street Lowell.

Appointments not always needed at Vanity Hair Fashions, Open six days Lowell, 897-7506.

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

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Obituaries

The Ledger's criteria for running obituary notices is to glean from the Grand Rapids Press obituaries that contain deceased persons or relatives of the deceased from Lowell, Ada, Saranac and Alto. Should you know of an obituary that would be of interest to our readers, but is not listed in the Press, please give us a call at 897-9261. There is no charge for obituary notices in the Ledger.

BANNAN - Ella T. Bannan, aged 96, of Lowell, passed away December 13, 1984. She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Jules (Sarah) Erler of Lowell; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren. Funeral Services were held Saturday at the First United Methodist Church of Lowell. Rev. William J. Amundsen officiating. Interment Oakwood Cemetery. Mrs. Bannan was a life member of the First United Methodist Church of Lowell, Lowell Women's Club for 52 years and the Lowell Garden Club. Arrangements by

Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell.

JERNBERG - Mr. Henry Jernberg, aged 81, of 16325 Bailey Road, Bailey, MI, died Thursday evening, December 13, at Kent Community Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Helen; his children, Robert and Susan Jernberg of Bailey, Carolyn and James VanAsselt of Sparta, Paul and Patricia Jernberg of Ada, Jewel and Dave Stark, Judith and Dave Behler, both of Bailey; 15 grandchildren. Funeral Services were held Monday, December 17, at the McKinley Funeral Home in Grant, with Rev. Frank D. Decker and Rev. Arnold Guikema officiating. Interment Seaman Cemetery.

DE GOOD - Mrs. Grace De-good, widow of Gerrit went to be with her Lord Saturday at Buterworth Hospital. Surviving are one daughter, Ardyce and Ralph Schipper of Grand Rapids; four sons, William and Betty of Sand Lake, Howard and Esta of Ot-

sego, Marvin and Marilyn of Ada, Dale and Mary Lou of Alto; a daughter-in-law, Lucy De-Good of Standale; 19 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren; three sisters and one brother, Mrs. Roy (Dora) Vanden Berg, Mrs. Louis (Effie) VerHage, Mr. Case Theule and Mrs. Anne Vanden Berge; and many nieces and nephews. Funeral Services were held Tuesday at the Zaagman Memorial Chapel, Rev. Claude DePrine officiating. Interment Cascade Cemetery.

HELLER - Homer M. "Nick" Heller, D.O. aged 61, of Maracaibo Shores SE, died unexpectedly Friday, December 14, 1984 in Jackson, Wyo. Surviving are his wife, Edith; four children, Christine and Pat Kelley of Lowell, Karen and Mike Hale of Lowell, Steve and Sandy Heller of Glen Arbor, Todd Heller of Dallas, TX; four grandchildren, Donald Hindley, Jennifer Hale, Steven and Whitney Heller, his mother, Mrs. Homer F. (Lillian V.) Heller of Grand Rapids and sister, Mrs. Robert

(Anita) Millmore of St. Clair Shores. Dr. Heller was a charter member and Elder of Forest Hills Presbyterian Church, and a charter member of the Wyoming Kiwanis. Funeral Services were held Tuesday in Forest Hills Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Thomas Keizer officiating.

DOUGHERTY - Anna M. Dougherty, aged 74, passed away Tuesday, December 11, 1984 in Florida. She is survived by her children, Mrs. F.G. (Elizabeth) Price of Newburgh, IN, Mr. Lewis (Marilyn) Dougherty of Grand Rapids. Mr. William (Delores) Dougherty of Alaska, Mr. Arlin F. (Judy) Dougherty of Grand Rapids, Mr. Terry (Kathy) Dougherty of Ada; a sister, Helen Lovarco of Palm Beach, FL; two brothers, Mrs. Roy (Doris) Isaacson of Palm Springs, CA, Mr. Clifford (Marion) Isaacson of Florida; 32 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. Mrs. Dougherty was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence and daughter, Patricia Koeber. The Mass of

Christian Burial was offered Monday at St. Robert of Newminister Church, Ada, Rev. David Hawley Celebrant. Interment Resurrection Cemetery.

KENNEDY - Mr. Thomas J. Kennedy, aged 78, of 3237 Soft Water Lake Dr. N.E. passed away Friday evening December 14, 1984 in the Blodgett Memorial Medical Center. Mr. Kennedy was the owner-operator of Kennedy's of Ada Restaurant for 19 years and was a veteran of WWII, having served in the U.S. Navy. He is survived by his wife, Mary Jane Kennedy, one daughter, Mrs. Mary Jane Noel of Wyoming; three grandchildren, Dennis S. Noel, Kristine K. Noel and Ann Marie Noel; one brother, William Kennedy of Sarasota, FL and one sister, Miss Ann Kennedy of New York.

TOPPEN - Henrietta Toppen (Tigelaar) aged 77 of 511 Pine-land NE, Ada, passed away Friday, She is survived by her husband John J.; children, Andrew Tigelaar of Wyoming, Merle and Gertrude Tigelaar, Allen and Jerrie Tigelaar, both of Hudsonville, Donald Tigelaar of Byron Center, Mrs. Gerald (Laura) Pastoor of Cutlerville, Norman and Joan Toppen of Grandville, Mrs. Robert (Linda) Van Kampen of Jenison, Mrs. Harvey Jr. (Lenora) Berens of Zeeland; Brother, Dan Vos of Ada; sisters Mrs. Gertrude Buist of Jenison, Mrs. Georgiana Grit of Grandville; 26 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral Services were held Tuesday at Ada Community Reformed Church Rev. Jerry L. Johnson officiating.

SCHERER - Mrs. Ruth Mae Scherer, aged 62, of 6843 Bonita Vista Ct., passed away Monday, December 10, 1984 at her home. She was the widow of the late LaVerne R. Scherer and worked as a secretary-treasurer of G.W.I. Engineering (General Welders) for 20 years retiring in 1978. Surviving are one son, Rolland L. Scherer of Kent City; one daughter, Mrs. Constance Uecker Vawter of Alto; eight grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; her mother, Mrs. Iva Goodrich of Grand Rapids; one brother, Francis Leroy Goodrich of Cape Coral, FL; one sister, Mrs. Clinton B. (Phyllis) Earle of Grand Rapids; her step-mother, Mrs. Martena Goodrich of Grand Rapids; many nieces and nephews. Funeral Services were held at 11 o'clock Thursday morning at the Funeral Chapel.

SOBIE - Mrs. Adelaide E. Sobie, aged 86 widow of Joseph J. Sobie, passed away Monday evening in St. Mary's Hospital. Mrs. Sobie was a member of St. Dominic's Church and formerly of 64 Floyd S.W. Surviving are her family, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard (Mary) Crowley of Phoenix, AZ, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon T. (Margaret) Pike of Wyoming, MI, Mr. and Mrs. William (Barbara) Kasal of Kentwood, Edmund and wife Kate Sobie of Rockford, MI, Andrew and wife Kathleen Sobie of Mame, Roman and wife Sally Sobie of Ada, Paul and wife Carol Sobie of Rockford; 46 grandchildren; 68 great-grandchildren; one brother, Jess Fryer; one sister, Mrs. Irene Arms, both of California; one niece, Mrs. Martin (Marie) Byrne of Parnell. Funeral Mass was offered Thursday at St. Patrick's Church-Parnell. Interment St. Patrick's Cemetery.

WRIGHT - Mrs. Ida M. Wright, aged 79, of Grant, died Tuesday following a long illness. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Walter (Maxine) Wright, Mrs. James (Margaret) Traxler, Mrs. Jack (Peggy) Church all of Grant; two sons, Clifton of Rockford and Hugh of Bailey; 14 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren; three brothers, Clifford Raymer of Elsie, Bill Raymer of Chesaning, Elmer Raymer; three sisters, Macie Martin of Alto, Vec Earl of Grand Rapids, Minnie Steadman of Grant. Funeral Services were held Friday, December 14 in the McKinley Funeral Home in Grant.

KYSER - Mrs. Bessie M. Kyser, aged 93, of Lowell, passed away Monday, December 17, 1984. She was preceded in death by a son Clayton Keith in 1931, and her husband Charles Edward (Ned) in 1945. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Douglas (Pauline) LaDue of Lowell; two grandchildren, Mrs. Dennis A. (Karen) Schumaker of Chapel Hill, NC, Douglas E. (Patricia) LaDue II of Grandville; nine great-grandchildren, Denise, Christine, Paula, Pamela and Jaime Schumaker, Douglas III, Daniel, Nicole and Michelle LaDue; several nieces and nephews. Mrs. Kyser was a long time member of the First United Methodist Church of Lowell. Funeral Services will be held Wednesday at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell. Rev. William Amundsen officiating. Interment South Boston Cemetery.

Letters

Dear Roger,
Through snow and sleet
And the gloom of night,
The Postal Service
Displays its might.
It could be icy.

It may be pouring,
No Matter what ---
The rates keep soaring.
Merry Christmas to all.
Charlie Doyle
Postmaster



cozy corner
by Roger Brown

It dawned on me the other day that I'm building quite a compilation [(kom pil as hun) n. materials gathered into a fresh form, as a book; assembled data] of dictionaries. No, these aren't Websters or Funk & Wagnalls monsters, my collection contains such works as "Sailing", a tongue-in-cheek dictionary of nautical terms, "Fishing", a dictionary of fishing terms by the same authors as "Sailing", "Sniglets" a glossary of words that don't appear in the dictionary, but should and "The Difficult Dictionary", a dictionary of hundreds of incredibly weird words that actually have real definitions. I thought that I might share some of the wisdom from my dictionaries with you this week, as they make excellent Christmas gifts for the weidos on your list like me.

Here are a few selections from "Sailing". Boom: 1. Laterally mounted pole to which sail is fastened. Often used during jibing to shift crew members to a fixed horizontal position. 2. The sound produced when an alcohol stove is used to convert a boat into a liquid asset. Spinnaker: An extremely large, lightweight, balloon shaped piece of sailcloth frequently trailed in the water off the bow in a big bundle to slow the boat down. Tides: The rise and fall of coastal waters. There are two tides daily on weekdays, one on Saturday, and none on Sunday, Harbor Day, Spinnukah, Swabber Day, Clam Wednesday and Farragut's Birthday.

Enough sailing? How about a few selections from Fishing 1. n. The art of casting, trolling, jigging, or spinning while freezing, sweating, swatting, or swearing. Suckers 1. Type of bait fish favored by anglers fishing for muskelunge. 2. Anglers fishing for muskelunge. Rowboat 1. Small craft that is so named because its occupation by more than one angler immediately causes a row. Prize Fish 1. Any fish that weighs more than the gear used to catch it. Oar 1. Clumsy wooden instrument used to moisten boat occupants. Line Length of filament connected to two rods and joined at mid-point by two hooks. Leader 1. Short length of nylon or wire that connects a snagged hook to a tangled line. Knot 1. A tangle with a name. Ice Fishing 1. Winter fishing method in which anglers use a variety of specialized equipment to catch colds. Bucket 1. Clumsy form of metallic footwear found in the bottom of boats.

How about some "Sniglets"? As I mentioned earlier, these are not words, but should be. Hozone (hoz ohn) n. The place where one sock in every laundry load disappears to. Snorring (snorf fng) n. The little game waitresses love to play of waiting until your mouth is full before sneaking up and asking, "is everything okay?". Pencil-ventilation (pen si ven ti layz hun) n. The act of blowing on the tip of pencil after sharpening it. Maypop (may pahp) n. A bald tire. Glackett (glakt t) n. The noisy ball inside a spray paint can. Accor-dinated (ah kor de on ay tid) adj. Being able to drive and refold a map at the same time. If you want more sniglets you can buy the book, borrow mine or watch "Not Necessarily the News" on HBO.

My "Difficult Dictionary" is actually a word game in which players make up definitions to its very off-the-wall words, and then try to determine the real definition from the fakes. According to the "Difficult Dictionary" abacinate means to blind with hot irons, a catenary is the overhead wiring system of an electric railroad and an eriff is a two-year-old canary. Want more? A muckle is a heavy maul used to kill cod, a punity is an iron rod used in glassmaking and qunt is a grease made from dried sheep sweat. As you can guess, the made-up answers often seem more believable than the real definitions of these words.

So, if you've got a problem word, just give me a call and I'll see if I can't come up with a definition from one of my dictionaries. You could use the library, but I doubt if their definitions would correspond with mine, and mine are definitely more fun. At the risk of being fugacious, I guess I'll end this column here. Fugacious? Look it up.

Coming Events

Notice in the Ledger's "Coming Events" are free of charge to any non profit organization in the Lowell, Ada, Alto, and Saranac area. We prefer such notices to be kept brief and to be submitted by mail, but will accept notices by phone at 897-9261.

THUR., DEC. 20: Shown on Cable TV Channel 2 at 5:00 P.M. - Celebrating the Bi-centennial of Methodism.

DEC. 8 - 23: Christmas tree and wreath sale sponsored by Cub Pack 3188. Open Friday 5-9, Saturday 9-9 and Sunday 12-7 at the corner of Main & Hudson. Large selection of trees \$10 to \$15. Wreaths in limited supply.

MON., DEC. 24: Ada Community Reformed Church, 7239 Thornapple River Drive, (across from Arway)

will have a Christmas Eve Candle Light Communion Service at 11 P.M. "The Shepard's Account" a first person's message by Rev. Jerry C. Johnson. Everyone is welcome.

NEW YEAR'S EVE: New Year's Eve Gala Party at the Moose Lodge 210 E. Main Street. Dinner upstairs from 8 P.M. to 9:30 P.M. Drinks and favors \$15.00 per person. Music by Friendship Band.

NEW YEAR'S EVE: VFW New Year's Eve Party, at the VFW Hall. 6:30 P.M. Social Hour, 7:30 P.M. buffet dinner, \$10.00, cash bar. Members and guest welcome.

TOPS MI 372 - The Lowell Chapter of TOPS (take off pounds sensibly) meets every Tuesday at 7 P.M. in the Congregational Church

of Lowell, 404 N. Hudson. Weigh-ins are from 5:45 to 7 P.M. For more information call 897-9048.

EVERY THIRD THURSDAY: Pack Meeting, Cub Scout Pack 3188 will meet at Runciman School, beginning at 7:00 P.M. This is a family event. Future activities are discussed and achievement awards presented.

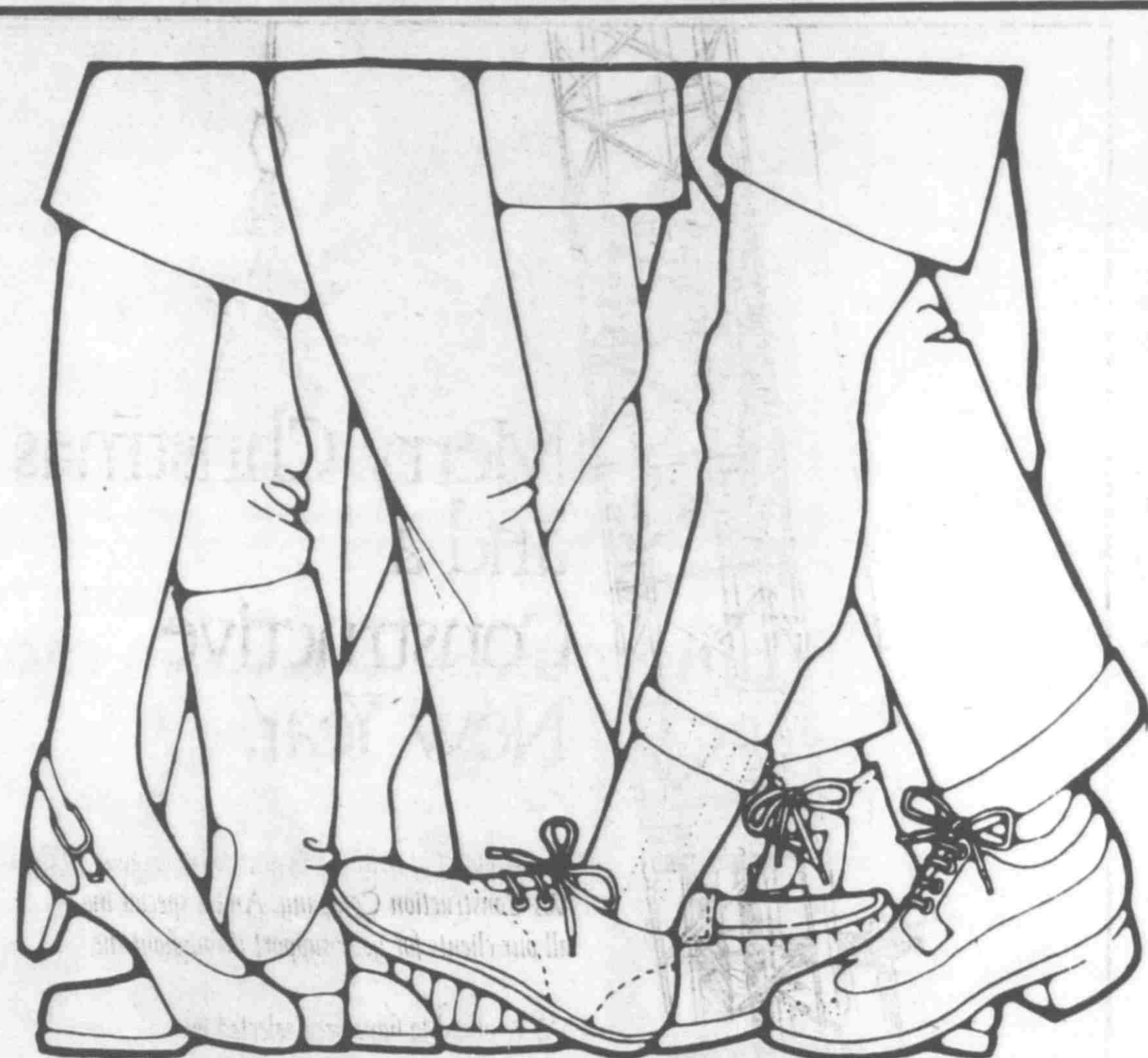
EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT: Teen Dance, sponsored by Teen's United, at the Lowell American Legion Roller Rink. 10:30 P.M. to 12:30 A.M. \$1.50 per person. Tennis shoes or socks! Ages 13 to 19. Information on Dance or joining Teens United call 897-8238.

THE LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS ATHLETIC BOOSTERS: meet the 1st Mon. of each month at 7:30 in

the K-Quad of the High School.

NOW THRU DECEMBER 12: Scout Paper Drive, held by Cub Pack 3188. Please donate papers to pack members or drop off at Lowell First United Methodist Church. The first week of December a drop off truck will be at the corner of Hudson and Main Street.

LOWELL UNITED METHODIST PRE-SCHOOL'S: second semester will begin soon. There are currently afternoon openings (12 noon to 2:15 P.M.) in the following classes: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, pre-kindergarten; and Tuesday, Thursday, three-year-olds. Call the First United Methodist Church at 897-5936 to register.



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United in Marriage



Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kropf

Pamela Sue Miller and Kenneth Frederick Kropf were married Saturday, August 18, in Haven Lutheran Church, Hagerstown Md.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Dennis C. Miller, 1428 Hamilton Blvd., Hagerstown. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip M. Kropf of Lowell, Michigan.

The bride received a bachelor of science degree in personnel and labor relations from the University of Maryland. She was employed at MCI Telecommunications Corp. in Washington, D.C. before leaving late this fall.

The bridegroom received a bachelor of science degree in physics from Kalamazoo College and a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from the University of Michigan. He is employed at Westinghouse Corp., Columbia, Md.

The couple honeymooned in Switzerland and other parts of Europe before reporting to Cairo Egypt, where they will reside until Ken has completed a special assignment for Westinghouse Corp.

John Belaski speaks at Project DARE December meeting

"We have to work in constructive ways with our young people," John Belaski told Lowell's Project DARE group at their November meeting. "We need to set guidelines, not only for teens, but for adults, too." Belaski spoke to the group of 40 on the topic of developing capable young people. He described this development process as "a little bit of a look at yourselves and your skills and capacities."

In the Service

Airman David C. Barker, son of William C. and Claudia Barker of 135 Clarksville Road, Clarksville, Michigan has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

Assigned at George Air Force Base, Calif., Wood was approved for reenlistment by a board which considered character and performance.

He is a munition systems specialist with the 37th Equipment Maintenance Squadron. The airman is a 1980 graduate of Forest Hills Central High School, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Huver of Lowell, are proud grandparents again! A baby girl, Susan Rae, born December 13 and weight 7-1/2 lbs. to Joe & Paula Hoffman of Clarksville.

Don and Laurie (Smith) LaBelle of Durango CO are pleased to announce the arrival of their son, Michael Drew, on November 7. Proud grandparents are Patricia Smith of Kentwood, Gerald Smith of Albion, and Dorothy LaBelle of Houston, TX.

Birds sleep in many different places, says National Wildlife's Ranger Rick magazine. Most sleep in old nests close to where they feed. But sea birds snooze while floating on the water and a ruffed grouse will dive into a snowbank to catch 40 winks.

Although the overall picture of substance abuse is negative, there are positive aspects of the movement to overcome the problem. Belaski cited the students present at the meeting as a strong plus and a source of hope for the success of community efforts. Quoting Jonas Salk, he commented that "If you can get up one more time than you've fallen down, then there's hope."

Belaski compared the problem of substance abuse to that of a waterbed. When pressure is applied to one area of the bed, there is a wave effect that is felt in other areas. We've got to relieve the pressure on the whole system," he stated, adding that the problems of children are the problems of adults, too.

Solutions are varied. "There is no one answer for everybody," Belaski said. He did cite lack of communication and lack of trust between youth and adults as two major problems that need to be addressed. "Adult modeling is probably the most significant positive influence we have today."

"You folks are the creative ones," Belaski told the group. He takes the ideas he gathers from groups that he addresses and uses them as examples for other groups who have similar concerns. "I'm able to work with them (teens and community groups) in such a way that gets them looking at themselves and seeing themselves."

By recognizing the skills and capacities of individuals, the development of capable young people can begin. "They (teenagers) make their own choices about drugs," Belaski commented. "We can't follow them around and tell them what they should or shouldn't do," by helping teens to see their capabilities and realize their

J C's Donate To New Dawn



Jaycees First Vice President, Tena Mellema; Program Chairperson, Cheryl Williams; Community Ed Director, Linda Zaczek and New Dawn Teacher, Barbara Wingard.

The Lowell Area Jaycees recently donated funds to the New Dawn Program to purchase toys and equipment. The money was raised by the Jaycees through the sponsorship

of the Third Annual Osborne Brothers Bluegrass Show. New Dawn is sponsored by the Lowell Community Education Department providing an opportunity for young mothers to

Lowell City Council, Cont'd.

Collins asked that a letter be written to the LCC in protest to selling spirits at a gas station. Collins felt that selling gasoline and alcohol at the same location

was in conflict with recent attempts to discourage drinking and driving. The council concurred with Collins' feelings, and City Manager Ray Quada was in-

Ledger Deadline

To help us meet our deadlines, please take note of the following guidelines for submitted material, including pictures. All news copy should be in the Ledger office by 5 p.m. on Mondays. The material should be type-written or written legibly. Either way, we ask that you provide space between the lines to make room for possible editing. Wedding stories should be submitted within six weeks after the ceremony. We prefer black and white photos. Color photos, because they don't reproduce as well, will be accepted only if they are of exceptional quality. The deadline for classified ads (want ads) is Monday at 5 p.m. Display advertising deadline is also Monday at 5 p.m.

"Main Street", cont'd.

OFF THE BLOTTER

Gail Dawson, 20, of Lowell was involved in a property damage accident, Wednesday morning, December 12, on Hudson Street at Elizabeth Street. Dawson failed to yield right-of-way at the intersection and collided with a car driven by Charles Horan, 28, also of Lowell.

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HOMESPUN DEVOTIONS

by Pauline E. Spray



Now faith is the substance of things hoped for... (Hebrews 11:1).

Long before the season our girls began making up lists of things they wanted for Christmas. It was their way of informing their father and me of their "substance of things hoped for."

In fact, I remember one time right after the holiday when one of them began, "Next year I want..."

A child is certain he will receive the things for which he asks. Parents will go to extremes to provide coveted gifts; some people go in debt to secure presents for their children; others have gone so far as to steal in order to provide the things their children wanted.

Our Heavenly Father is pleased when His children come to Him with childlike faith. Contrarily, He is displeased if we ask halfheartedly, not expecting to receive when we ask. He has promised to give us every good thing if we ask in believing faith. And He is abundantly able to provide for us. He does not have to borrow, beg, nor steal. His warehouse is full and running over. He will supply our needs and give us those items on "our Christmas list" which He knows we should have.

Prayer: "Lord, hear my voice: let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications." Give me what Thou wilt. Withhold from me what Thou seeest best. Thy will be done. Amen.

Lord, give us such a faith as this. And then, whate'er may come, We'll taste, e'en here, the hallowed bliss Of an eternal home. WILLIAM H. BATHURST

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- DECEMBER 19: Tina Zywicki, Nina Miller. DECEMBER 20: Lori Decker. DECEMBER 21: John Hunt, Carrie Richards. DECEMBER 22: Carol Reagan, Garret Ellison, Sue Meisner, Eva Metternick. DECEMBER 23: Charles Reintges. DECEMBER 24: Jeffrey Pfaller, Larry Stahl, Sheila Fritz, Phillip Schneider, Jr., William Serne, Beth Sharp, Mart Briggs, Les Sherman. DECEMBER 25: Karen Durkee, Myrt Jacobson, Jo Meyers.

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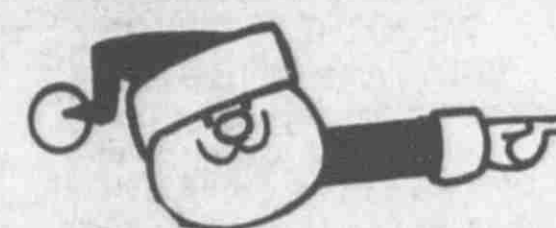
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FRIDAY 12/21/84

MORNING
5:00 Quarterhorse Racing: 1984 Champion of Champions
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NewsHour
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[HBO] Inside the NFL
[IMAX] MOVIE: 'Gilda Live'
Night Flight
700 Club

FRIDAY'S MOVIES

6:00AM [HBO] - 'The Christmas That Almost Wasn't'
7:30AM [MAX] - 'Carousal'
8:00AM [HBO] - 'Gain' Coconut

12:00PM [HBO] - 'The Return of Frank James'
12:30PM [HBO] - 'A Royal Scandal'
1:00PM [HBO] - 'The Millman'

2:00PM [HBO] - 'To Race the Wind'
2:30PM [HBO] - 'Threshold'
3:00PM [HBO] - 'Yd Climb the Highest Mountain'

3:30PM [HBO] - 'Marlin'
4:00PM [HBO] - 'The Christmas That Almost Wasn't'
4:30PM [MAX] - 'Carousal'

5:00PM [HBO] - 'Gentle Giant'
6:00PM [HBO] - 'Octopussy'
9:00PM [HBO] - 'A Tree Grows in Brooklyn'

10:00PM [HBO] - 'The 39 Steps'
10:30PM [HBO] - 'Samson and Delilah'
11:00PM [HBO] - 'Circle of Iron'

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SATURDAY 12/22/84

MORNING
5:00 [HBO] Video Jubilee
5:30 [HBO] Video Jubilee
6:00 [HBO] The Nutcracker: A Fantasy on Ice

7:00 [HBO] Sportsman of the Year
7:30 [HBO] Animal World
8:00 [HBO] The Smurfs and the Magic Flute

9:00 [HBO] Not Necessarily the News
9:30 [HBO] The Next Victim
10:00 [HBO] The Earthling

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LCTV CHANNEL 2 SCHEDULE:

L.H.S. Hockey Vs. West Catholic Saturday, December 22 at 11:36 A. M. and 4:36 P.M.
L.H.S. Basketball Vs. E. Grand Rapids Wednesday, December 19 at 3:00 P.M. Saturday, December 22 at 10:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M.

Lowell First United Methodist Advent Service from Sunday, December 16 followed by Methodist Pre-School Christmas Prog. Thursday, December 20 at 7:00 P.M.

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6:30AM [MAX] - 'It Happened One Christmas'
8:00AM [HBO] - 'Defiance'
10:00AM [HBO] - 'Huckleberry Finn Escapes'
11:30AM [MAX] - 'They Call Me Bruce'

12:00PM [HBO] - 'The Return of Frank James'
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THURSDAY CONT.

- 1:00 [MAX] MOVIE: 'Jesse James'
[MOVIE: 'Little Miss Marker'
A little girl is brought up by book-makers and racketeers. Shirley Temple, Adolphe Menjou, Charles Bickford, 1924.

- Newshour
[13] Family Feud
[13] Gomer Pyle
Radio 1990
Five Mile Creek
Here Comes the Bride
Barney Miller
SportsCenter
Mansyline
You Can't Do That on TV
[13] [10] Jeopardy!
[13] [10] Jeopardy!

- Atlantic City, NJ
[13] [10] [10] Night Court
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[13] [10] [10] 20/20 (CC)
[13] [10] [10] Hill Street Blues
[13] [10] [10] Ballad of an Unsung Hero
[13] [10] [10] Tony Brown's Journal
[13] [10] [10] Anything for Money
[13] [10] [10] New '84: Final Edition
[13] [10] [10] Name That Tune
[13] [10] [10] Wild World of Animals
[13] [10] [10] PM Magazine

- 3:00 [MAX] MOVIE: 'The Pursuit of D.E. Cooper'
[13] [10] [10] NBC News
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- 4:00 [MAX] MOVIE: 'The Song of Bernadette'
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- 5:00 [MAX] MOVIE: 'The Song of Bernadette'
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SPORTS AT A GLANCE...

Table with columns for Day, Time, and Event. Includes events like 'Overseas Boxing 1984 Champion of Champions', 'NBA Basketball: Portland at San Antonio', 'College Football: Arkansas vs. Auburn', etc.

Acquire is host to a presentation of 20th Century-Fox's musicals of the past. Fred Astaire, Fred Sinatra, Barbara Streisand, 1974.

DAYTIME

Table with columns for Morning and Afternoon. Lists programs like 'Variety Programs', 'Crossfire', 'Laverne & Shirley & Co.', etc.

Auto Racing '84: SCCA Super Vees. Toss of the Stern Country! Upon their arrival in America, a young girl and her uncle find themselves in the middle of a feud between a Mammoth family and the townspopular, Diane Baker, Lee Philips, Jack Gimp, 1980.

Dr. Greenwood accepts new ministry



Dr. Richard Greenwood

On December 11, Dr. Richard Greenwood, pastor of the First Congregational Church of Lowell, notified the congregation that he had accepted the position of Senior Minister with the First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, of St. Joseph, Michigan. He will begin there in March, 1985.

In a recent letter to his congregation, Dr. Greenwood wrote: "It is with both excitement - for the opportunities ahead - and a sense of loss - at leaving Lowell and good friends - that Judy, Troy, Wendy and I face the future. For over ten years, as both individuals and as a congrega-

State Park Fees Increasing January 1st

The Natural Resources Commission has approved a one dollar increase in State Park Camping Fees from \$7.00 to \$8.00 per night. Off season rates will go from \$5.00 to \$6.00 per night.

Camping reservations have become very popular at most State Parks. At Holland State Park, out of over 10,000 camping permits issued in 1984, 3,000 were reservations.

Reservation requests will be accepted beginning January 2, 1985. Most State Parks, including Holland, accept telephone reservations. Up to one half of the available sites in a particular campground may be reserved, the others are first come, first serve.

Dr. Greenwood has been the pastor of the Lowell Church since June, 1974. He considers some of his more important accomplishments in the Lowell Church to be: 100% increase in membership, completion of church remodeling, new Church Constitution and By-Laws, increased community use of building, including Alternative Education Program and facilitating a major endowment into the church structure.

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Billy the Kid's real name was William Bonney.

Questions and Answers

from Lowell Community Ed



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QUESTION: What kind of people will I meet in Adult Ed classes?

ANSWER: All kinds! Some are working, some unemployed, some married, some single, some parents, housewives, and business men and women.

QUESTION: How old are Adult Ed students?

ANSWER: Ages range from 18 to Senior Citizen.

QUESTION: I went to high school for awhile in a small town in Indiana many years ago. How do I know how many credits I need to graduate?

ANSWER: Come and see Marge in the Community Ed. office in the high school, or call 897-8434. She will get your records from wherever you went to school and then tell you how many more you need.

QUESTION: I'd like to find out how many credits I need, but I'm not sure I want to go back to school.

ANSWER: She will find out for you, anyway. There will be no obligation on your part.

QUESTION: How many nights a week do I have to go to school if I decide to go for a diploma?

ANSWER: As little as one night a week, or as many as four. That's up to you.

QUESTION: OK, I want to find out about finishing high school, and my neighbor wants to take a welding class. What should we do?

ANSWER: Call Marge at 897-8434, and she will give you whatever information you need.

Also, see this paper on December 24 for a complete second semester schedule. Classes will be starting January 28, so what are you waiting for!



Pullman cars get their name from their designer, George Pullman.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT OF CLASS ACTION

TO: All Plaintiffs in the action known as:

VILLAGE GREEN OF LANSING, a Michigan Limited Partnership; ANNAS & MATUA, a Michigan Co-Partnership; BROOKSHIRES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, a Michigan Limited Partnership; IROQUOIS PROPERTIES, a Michigan Limited Partnership; HMH BUILDING COMPANY, a Michigan Limited Partnership; WOODGATE ASSOCIATES, a Michigan Limited Partnership; VILLE MONTEE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, a Michigan Limited Partnership; and 731 LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, a Michigan Limited Partnership, on behalf of themselves and all other persons similarly situated, Plaintiffs, VS

THE BOARD OF WATER AND LIGHT; THE MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION; and CHELSEA; CROSWELL; GRAND HAVEN; L'ANSE; LOWELL; MARSHALL; NILES; PETOSKEY; PORTLAND; SEBEWAING; STURGIS; WYANDOTTE; and ZEELAND, Defendants.

An action originally filed in the Ingham County Circuit Court, File NO. 79-22776-CZ.

The Plaintiff class having been defined as owners of multiple family dwellings receiving electricity from Defendants for hallways, common areas, and exterior lights with central meters at certain commercial rates rather than at residential rates; a judgment having been granted to Defendants Michigan Municipal Electric Association, Chelsea, Crowell, Grand Haven, L'Anse, Lowell, Marshall, Niles, Petoskey, Portland, Sebewaing, Sturgis, Wyandotte, and Zeeland on April 9, 1984 and an appeal of that Judgment having been filed by the Plaintiff class;

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the named Plaintiffs and Defendants Michigan Municipal Electric Association, Chelsea, Crowell, Grand Haven, L'Anse, Lowell, Marshall, Niles, Petoskey, Portland, Sebewaing, Sturgis, Wyandotte, and Zeeland have agreed upon a settlement of this action, the terms of which are:

(1) The Appeal as to Defendants Michigan Municipal Electric Association, Chelsea, Crowell, Grand Haven, L'Anse, Lowell, Marshall, Niles, Petoskey, Portland, Sebewaing, Sturgis, Wyandotte, and Zeeland will be dismissed without prejudice and without res judicata effect; and

(2) Defendants Michigan Municipal Electric Association, Chelsea, Crowell, Grand Haven, L'Anse, Lowell, Marshall,

Lowell Red Arrows topples East Grand Rapids

The Lowell Red Arrows put four players in double figures Friday night as they defeated the East Grand Rapids Pioneers in a thrilling 71-70 game played at Lowell. It was the opening game of the new O-K White conference.

Craig Potter scored six of his game high twenty points in the first quarter when Lowell took an eighteen to eleven lead. Both teams moved up and down the court at a very fast pace in the second quarter. The Red Arrows took a 35-27 lead going into the intermission.

East Grand Rapids fought back in the third quarter to narrow the gap 47-44. Foul shooting became an important factor in the fourth period and the Red Arrows were up to the task. Lowell made 16 of 22 free throw attempts in that period. The Pioneers had one last chance to win the game but a shot by Cory Smith came off the rim as time ran out.

Joining Potter in double figures were Pat Brown, 18 points; Dale Fegel, 14; and Dave Kryger with 10. Potter and Fegel also had 8 and 6 rebounds respectively.

Lowell will continue O-K White division play this week with conference games at Northview Tuesday and Forest Hills Central on Friday.

O-K WHITE STANDINGS

	W	L
Lowell	1	0
Northview	1	0
Forest Hills Central	1	0
Wyoming Park	1	0
East Grand Rapids	0	1
Wyoming Rogers	0	1
Kenowa Hills	0	1
Sparta	0	1

Wrestling team off to good start

The Lowell Red Arrow Wrestling team opened up its season on Dec. 6th, on a winning note defeating Belding, Union and Ionia in a triple dual at Lowell. Traveling to Forest Hills Central on Saturday they once again emerged the victor in a defeat of Alma and Muskegon Catholic Central. The opening OK White Conference dual season began on Thursday with Lowell facing the Pioneers of East Grand Rapids. Preceding the Varsity match, J.V. wrestlers Greg Zimmerman, Tom Nugent and Paul Wilcox won their matches with three pins in a row

and set the pace for the Varsity team. Pinning their opponents at 98, 105 and 112 lbs. were Carl Pratt, Mike Rivers and Brett Nagy. Chad Blasher won with a 19-2 major decision, followed by pins at 126, 132 and 138 by Brian Adams, Mike Barnes and Tony Huver. Continuing the pace at 145, 155 and 185 Mike Nugent, Brett Kirby and Kenny Hall made quick work of their opponents with three more pins followed by a pin by heavy weight Jim Johnson.

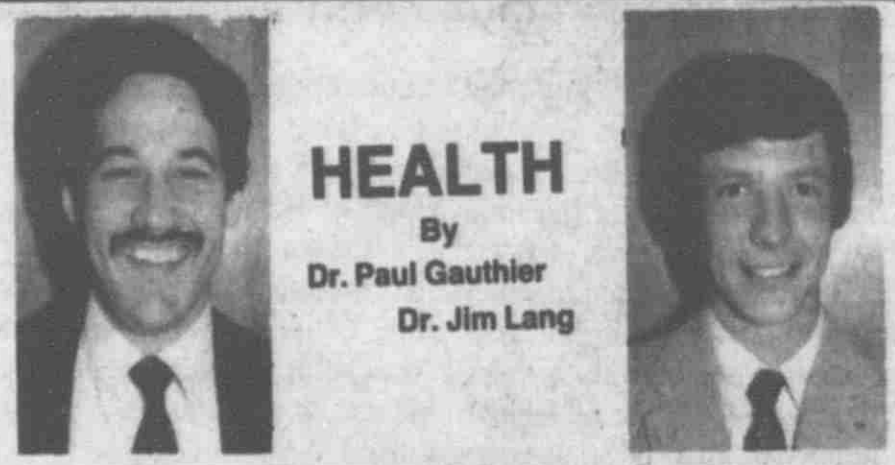
Losing only at 167 and having to forfeit at 198 resulted in the final score of 65 to 12. The team traveled to Olivet on Saturday to participate in a 15 team Invitational Tournament, placing six team members into the final championship round and the over all strong performance of the team led to the Arrows winning the tournament. Mike Rivers, Mike Nugent and Tony Huver finished in first place, Brett Nagy with a second place and Carl Pratt, Brett Kirby and Kenny Hall in third place. The team will wrestle Northview this Thursday at Northview.

WCUZ, Studio 28 to collect cans for Christmas

In the spirit of caring and sharing as demonstrated by President Reagan's recent proclamation, WCUZ Radio and Studio 28 12 Screen Theatre are joining together to collect food for the needy this Christmas season. On Saturday and Sunday December 22 and 23, WCUZ is presenting special 10 A.M. matinee showings of the Walt Disney family classic "Pinocchio" at Studio 28. Admission is 2 cans of food per person. The food will be donated

to the West Michigan Gleaners who will handle the distribution to various civic organizations and church pantries.

Families are encouraged to attend the special showing Saturday morning hosted by WCUZ morning personality Andy Rent, or the Sunday showing, or to drop off any canned goods at Studio 28 before December 24 if they are unable to view the film at those times.



HEALTH
By
Dr. Paul Gauthier
Dr. Jim Lang

PEPTIC ULCER DISEASE PART I

In our column this week we will review a very common affliction of modern day man . . . ulcers.

There are two types of ulcers. One is located in the lower part of the stomach (actually the beginning of the small intestine) and is called a duodenal ulcer. The other is located in the body of the stomach and is, logically, called a gastric ulcer. This week we'll discuss duodenal ulcers.

Duodenal ulcers are the "usual" ulcers that a physician diagnoses. They are seen about four times as frequently as gastric ulcers. About one in every ten Americans will suffer from duodenal ulcers at one time or another. The incidence of duodenal ulcers is decreasing in the general population but, not surprisingly, increasing in women. This may be due to social changes that place more women in the work force along with other factors such as increased smoking and alcohol consumption among women.

It has been theorized that duodenal ulcers are caused by an increased acid production and a breakdown of the protective barrier lining the stomach. Familiar factors probably play a role in ulcer formation as ulcers are seen three time more commonly in close relatives. Other factors also responsible for duodenal ulcers are smoking, alcohol ingestion and aspirin. Aspirin can have damaging effects on the mucosal barrier of the stomach.

The classic symptoms experienced by a patient with a duodenal ulcer is a burning or gnawing sensation of pain located below the tip of the breast bone which may be relieved by ingestion of food or milk, however pain may radiate through the stomach and may not be relieved by food in some patients.

Diagnosis of duodenal ulcer is made by an upper G.I. x-ray. In this test, a patient drinks a cup of contrast material (tasting like a chalk milk shake) and an x-ray is taken. The radiologist will see a small crater in the lining of the duodenum. Sometimes endoscopy is needed to confirm a diagnosis. During this test, the patient is sedated and a long, flexible tube is passed through the mouth, down the esophagus and into the stomach to directly look at the lining for evidence of ulceration.

Treatment of duodenal ulcer is fairly standard. Contrary to popular belief, we no longer recommend a strict diet for ulcer patients other than avoidance of food which particularly bother a patient, avoidance of caffeine, aspirin and aspirin containing products, avoidance of alcohol and smoking. Antacids should be used in adequate dosage. By adequate dosage, we mean taking one or two ounces of liquid antacid one and three hours after each meal and at bedtime. Therefore, for an antacid to be effective it should be taken a minimum of four times a day and preferably seven times a day!

Magnesium hydroxide, a buffer in Mylanta® or Maalox® can cause diarrhea so this should be alternated with an antacid containing aluminum hydroxide such as Amphojel® or Alternagel®. A drug called Tagamet® is also commonly prescribed for patients with ulcers. It acts by blocking acid production in the stomach. It is usually taken four times daily with meals and at bedtime. It is used in conjunction with antacids but because antacids can decrease the absorption of the drug it should be taken one hour before taking an antacid. A newer drug, Carafate®, has been approved for short term treatment of duodenal ulcers. This medicine acts by forming a protective barrier over the ulcer site which aids in healing. Rarely, ulcers may not be controlled with medicine alone and complications such as persistent bleeding, intractable pain, or perforation may occur. In these special situations, surgery may be indicated.

Next week . . . Gastric Ulcers.
We welcome any questions and/or comments you may have regarding our weekly column. Please send them to our office at 147 N. Center Street, Lowell, Michigan 49331.

Stop Smoking Program Being Offered In Grand Rapids

Are you resolved to quit smoking in the new year? Give it a go with other people who want to kick the habit too.

The American Lung Association of Michigan's FREEDOM FROM SMOKING group program can help you.

The sessions will begin with a free orientation session on January 7 at 7:00 P.M. at the Kent County Health Department (multi-purpose room) conducted by Lori Stegmier.

Developed and tested extensively, the Lung Association's new FREEDOM FROM SMOKING clinic program runs for seven sessions for a \$35 fee.

"Quit Night" is at the third session. Although the majority of sessions are a week apart, the fourth session is held two days after the third to offer support

and encouragement within 48 hours of the quitting session. The smoker can unlearn a habit without any scare tactics. For more information, call 241-3283 or 774-3971.

Local students receive degrees from U of M

University of Michigan students who expect their degrees this winter attended the University's commencement ceremonies December 16.

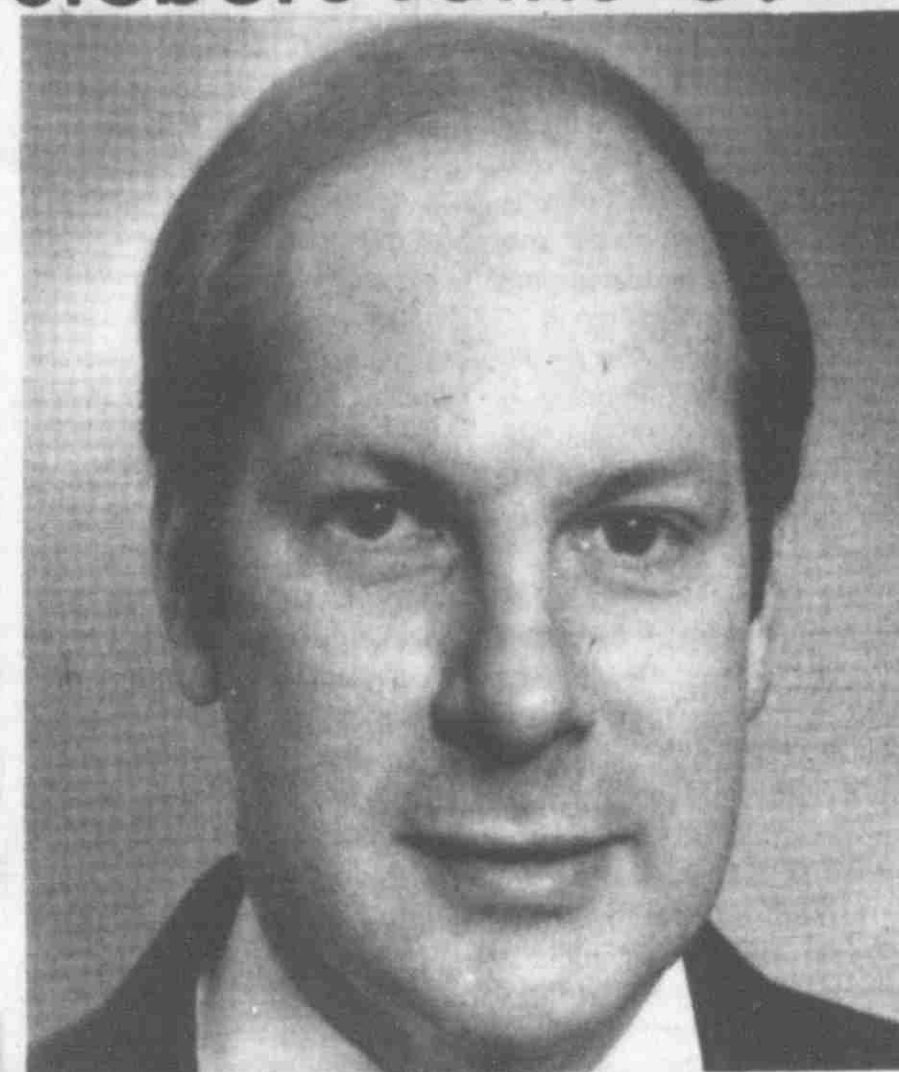
Some 2,000 students on the Ann Arbor campus are degree candidates this winter.

Nancy Hays Teeters, director of the economics department at the IBM Corporation and former governor of the Federal Reserve Board, was the main commencement speaker.

Students earning their degrees

from this area are: Mark Kenton Forrest, 1690 Glen Forest, Ada; Bachelor of Arts; Mark James Bonnera, 6900 Austhoff Wds., S.E., Alto and Douglas Henry DeVries of 7929 Fitzsimmons Ct., Alto; Bachelor of Science in Engineering; Robert Bruce Bieri, 115 Flat River Dr., Lowell; Bachelor of Science in Engineering in Industrial & Operations Engin.; Michael Francis Lessens, 517 Elm, Lowell; Bachelor of Music.

Siebers Joins G. R. Law Firm



Jack A. Siebers

Brian Sullivan, Executive Partner of Dykema, Gossett, Spencer, Goodnow & Trigg, Michigan's largest law firm, announced that Jack A. Siebers will become a partner in the Grand Rapids Regional Office of the firm.

Siebers comes to Dykema, Gossett, Spencer, Goodnow & Trigg from Foremost Corporation of America where he was Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary.

"We are pleased to have a person of Jack's stature affiliated with the firm," Sullivan said. "He is well established in the community, and comes to us with excellent credentials."

Siebers, a 1966 graduate of the University of Michigan School of Law, is a former Lowell resident and now resides in Grand Rapids. He graduated

with honors from Ottawa Hills High School, then attended Hope College, where he earned degrees in economics and business. Jack currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Advisory Centers for Teens and The Bridge for Teenage Runaways.

Siebers joins Dykema, Gossett, Spencer, Goodnow & Trigg January 1, 1985. The firm opened its Grand Rapids Regional Office on August 1, 1984. Siebers' appointment marks a continuing effort by the firm to develop a full-service law office in Grand Rapids.

Dykema, Gossett, Spencer, Goodnow & Trigg, based in Detroit, was established in 1926. The firm now numbers almost 200 lawyers with regional offices in Ann Arbor, Battle

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School board pleased with improved student basic skill competencies

With one exception, the Lowell Area Schools fourth, seventh, and tenth grade classes demonstrated improved results on the 1984 Michigan Educational Assessment Program tests. The exception is that one and one-half of this year's 4th grade students tested did not achieve the same results in reading as compared to the 1983 program. According to Dr. Fritz Esch, Superintendent, this percentage represents less than two of the 173 fourth grade students tested. A year ago 209 tenth, 188 seventh, and 185 fourth graders were tested by the now familiar MEAP tests which have been administered to public school children since 1969.

Dr. Esch presented the results to the Lowell Board of Education, staff, parents, and members of the Lowell Citizens' Committee for Educational Excellence at the December Board meeting. Dr. Esch noted that 1980 was the base year for the series of tests. "These scores represent continued growth in student learning of the basic objectives tested."

"The improved scores are due in part to the direct involvement of teachers in curriculum development and the emphasis we have placed on teaching the basic skills," said Dr. Esch.

There is now an effort underway to produce tests for Social Studies, Science, Health, and Career Education. If the Department of Education is successful in piloting accurate tests in these areas, the State Board of Education will be asked to take a giant step in the direction of measuring the achievement of minimal competencies in areas other than

the "basics" of math and reading. Roger Kropf, Board President noted the Board's pleasure with the detailed report and especially the improved scores. "There are obviously very positive things happening in this school district and among them is the improved learning of our students in our classrooms. I am particularly pleased with the improved math scores which can only be attributed to the fine work of our administration and teachers. Speaking for the Board, I commend them for the fine work they are doing in our classrooms."

The chart below displays the results of Lowell MEAP testing since 1980:

LOWELL Michigan Educational Assessment Program Pupils Achieving 3/4 or more of the objectives				
	Percentages			
	1980	1982	1983	1984
10th Grade Math	49.8	52.0	47.8	68.6
7th Grade Math	52.7	57.9	77.3	94.1
4th Grade Math	68.0	86.2	83.2	89.4
10th Grade Reading	79.5	70.7	71.5	82.4
7th Grade Reading	85.2	81.9	94.1	96.8
4th Grade Reading	74.3	81.6	85.9	84.4
	Numbers Tested			
	1980	1982	1983	1984
10th Grade	219	200	209	204
7th Grade	203	216	188	187
4th Grade	206	174	185	173

Council Proceedings

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

Regular Meeting of Monday, December 3, 1984.

The Meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. and Roll called.

Present: Councilmen Collins, Fonger, Schneider, Thompson and Maatman.
Absent: None.

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Schneider that the Minutes of the November 19 Meeting be approved as written, supported by Councilman Fonger.

Carried.

IT WAS THEN MOVED by Councilman Collins that the Bills and Accounts Payable be allowed and warrants issued.

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

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE TOTALS

General Fund	\$29,526.43
Sewer Fund	250.43
Water Fund	501.56
Equipment Fund	171.56
Lee Fund	3,800.00
Look-Daley Fund	1,084.00

Manager Quada stated that the first order of business was a request by St. Mary's School for a building permit to allow construction of an 18 x 32 out building on the southwest corner of the School's property, for storage to free up a classroom. Because they are located in a Public Facility Zone, the Site Plan must be reviewed by the Planning Commission and approved by the City Council, however, no public hearing is required. The building meets all Code requirements and is allowable. There was one negative vote, the Planning Commissioner at the time feeling that it would take away too much playground area from the children. He has since discussed it with School officials and found that it is to be able to make use of a sorely needed classroom, and he is now in favor of the construction.

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Schneider that permission be granted to St. Mary's School, under Section 14.08 of City's Zoning Code, to construct an 18 x 32 structure building in a Public Facility Zone, supported by Councilman Thompson.

Carried.

Mayor Maatman then opened the Public Hearing on the Amendment to the City's Code of Ordinances on Unsafe Buildings at 8:06 P.M.

Manager Quada stated that it is intended as a safeguard for the property owner and a guideline for the City for an orderly timetable to remove a structure that is unsafe. There were no complaints or remarks from the audience, and none were re-

ceived by mail or phone to City offices. Mayor Maatman closed the hearing at 8:08 P.M.

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Schneider that the following Ordinance be adopted, supported by Councilman Fonger.

Carried.

Manager Quada noted that the ordinance will be published in the Grand Valley Ledger one more time. If the public wishes, they can ask for a referendum within 45 days to repeal it.

Council then discussed the awarding of bid for two new Police Cruisers. Manager Quada stated that ordinarily one new cruiser is purchased in a year, replacing the oldest one at approximately 65,000 miles. However, with the loss of the newest cruiser in an accident while on patrol, it is necessary to replace both. Bids received were for two vehicles, with trade in of the old one, as follows:

Zeigler Ford	\$21,900.00
Vennen Chrysler-Dodge	\$20,656.00
Thomet Chevrolet and Buick	\$20,616.94

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Collins that the low bid of Thomet Chevrolet and Buick for two Chevrolet Impalas at \$20,616.94 with trade in be approved, supported by Councilman Schneider.

Carried.

Council then listened to the 1983-84 Audit presentation by Biggs and Hauserman and Co., P.C. Mr. Steve Thompson gave a detailed report and stated that the City is in excellent financial condition.

Manager Quada complimented the City's financial staff, stating that the Audit reflected the City's care and interest in the accounting. He also stated that all efforts are made to meet the State's Public Act 621 on municipal accounting procedures.

Council next listened to a request by the Lowell Cable T.V. Board to increase customer service rates.

Mr. King Doyle, spokesman for the Board, reported that Lowell Cable T.V. had a loss of \$55,000 for the past year, the same as the previous year, and will continue to lose approximately the same over the next three years, unless rates are increased. Interest payments to Lowell Light and Power Co. of \$62,000 per year cannot be met. To date, \$841,000 has been spent on developing the system, twice the amount originally figured. However, because of purchasing newer designed, better grade equipment, cable wire, etc. and constantly upgrading the system as it was being installed, to make it the best system possible, caused the costs to double.

He explained the rate increase, stating that several new channels will also be offered, such as the Disney Channel for \$8.95 per month, and "Tier No. 1", consisting of MTV, Lifetime and Nashville channels for \$3.95 per month. Estimating 100 subscribers, would add \$1000. in revenue per year.

Channels already in service would be raised as follows: Basic, a \$2 raise, from \$8 to \$10 per month. \$1 beginning January 1 1985, another \$1 beginning July 1, 1985. Cinemax, a \$1

raise, from \$7 to \$8 per month, beginning January 1, 1985. HBO, a \$1 raise, from \$8.95 to \$9.95 per month, 50¢ beginning January 1, 1985, and another 50¢ beginning July 1, 1985. Estimating 415 subscribers at the \$1 rate increase would add about \$4,500 per year in revenue.

He noted that Lowell's rates would still be better than the surrounding areas, by comparison, Caledonia, for Basic, which has only 6 to 8 channels, pay \$9.75 per month, Saranac, Basic, \$13.00 per month, and Ionia, Basic for \$9.00 per month. Lowell Cable T.V. has 19 channels in its basic package. Mr. Doyle stated that with the City's feeling of having an obligation to provide worthwhile recreational facilities, he feels Cable TV should be considered a recreational function and should be supported just as wholeheartedly. It provides recreational entertainment 24 hours a day, 12 months a year, and he asked council to consider the rate increase accordingly.

He also stated that several other ideas have been discussed to help solve the Cable System's financial problems, and that one idea had occurred to him earlier in the day. Perhaps the ownership of the system could be turned over the Lowell Light and Power Co. as a capital account.

Councilman Collins stated that he would like more time for the Council to study the Audit and the proposed rate increases before making a decision. If acted on at the second meeting in December, there would still be time to implement any changes if approved. Council concurred and the Mayor tabled the matter until the December 17 meeting.

There were no remarks from the audience.

Under Council Remarks, Councilman Collins complimented the City on the beautiful Pine trees planted this week in Richards Park. The large lighted Pine in the center is great, but, it needs a star on top!

Under the Manager's Report, Manager Quada stated that a new business, the Cousins Card and Gift Shop will be opening on Main Street next week and deserves some type of recognition. They have done extensive remodeling of both the exterior and interior, with excellent work.

He also reported that he had received a letter from "Y" Director, Jim Hodges, stating that the Y would be willing to handle the scheduling of all recreational activities for City Parks. He suggested setting the date of Monday, January 14, 1985 as a work-study session to meet with the Y Board to discuss such a program and work out the needs for the future.

Manager Quada then requested an executive session at the close of the meeting to discuss a personnel problem.

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Schneider to adjourn at 9:35 P.M. into an executive session, supported by Councilman Collins.

Carried.

Approved: Monday, December 17, 1984
James D. Maatman, Mayor
Ray E. Quada, City Clerk

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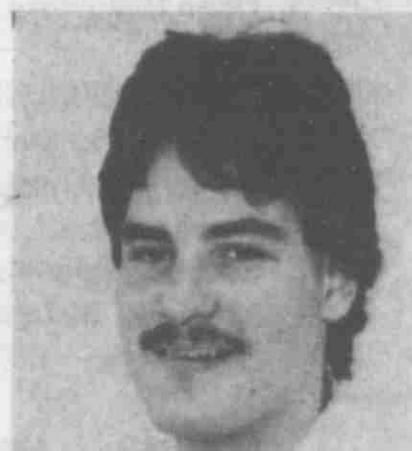


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