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Along Main Street

REMINDER ABOUT BILL SANDERS LECTURES

Parents and business people are reminded that nationally acclaimed speaker, Bill Sanders will offer motivational lectures at free programs slated for today. The program aimed at business and community leaders is scheduled for 3:30 until 4:30 at the Middle School Cafetorium. The program for parents and students is slated for 7:00 until 9:00 at the High School gymnasium.

Sanders is also speaking before school employees and students in separate programs throughout the day today. Classes are to be dismissed early so that school personnel can attend the afternoon lecture.

OCTOBERFEST IN DOWNTOWN LOWELL

Twelve downtown merchants are staging an "Octoberfest Celebration" this Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 3 thru 5. The participating merchants are offering sale prices on a variety of merchandise along with free cider, coffee, apples and doughnuts available at some of the shops. Enjoy Octoberfest savings at: Lowell Waterbeds, Modern Photographics, Anderson Family Shoes, Curtis Cleaners, Lambert Variety, Hinkley Drug Store, Lowell Nature Pantry, Pfaller's Riverfront Clothing, Carole's Critter, Cousins' Card & Gift Shoppe, Straw Basket Collections and Heritage Meat Market.

NEW HOURS AT STATE SAVINGS BANK

State Savings Bank began this week with new hours at the main office, which include Thursday afternoons. The bank lobby will now be open from 9:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M. Monday thru Thursday, 9:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. Friday and 9:00 A.M. until Noon on Saturday. Drive-up hours remained the same.

LOWELL COMMUNITY BAND REHEARSAL

The Lowell Community Band will have their first rehearsal on Monday, October 14 at 7:30 p.m. The practice will be in the High School band room. Everyone is welcome.

"ENERGIZE OUR SCHOOLS" SPECIAL MEETING BEING HELD

A special meeting will be held Thursday, October 3, at the Vergennes Township Hall. The video, "Energize Our Schools" will be shown. Gary Kemp, assistant superintendent will be the special speaker. A question and answer period will follow. All interested people are welcome!

YMCA MEN'S BASKETBALL

The Lowell YMCA is offering a men's open basketball night every Monday from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Lowell High School gym. A great way to keep in shape. \$2.00 at the door each week. For more information call the Y at 897-8445.

REMINDER!

The Lowell Area Schools Athletic Boosters will meet Monday, October 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the K-Quad of the High School. Wanted: persons to walk in the Homecoming parade! Be at the Methodist Church at 6:00 p.m., Friday, October 4 and represent the Booster Organization.

"STROLL THRU LOWELL"

The Lowell YMCA will be having a Walk-A-Thon -- or "Stroll Thru Lowell" -- this Saturday, October 5. The fun begins at 1:00 p.m. at the YMCA Office. Young and old are taking pledges for their 8K (5 mile) walk which will take them thru the northwest and southeast parts of the city. Sponsor forms are available at the Y-Office for anyone wanting to join in... and it's good exercise!

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Election will determine if repairs can be made to schools

Voters in the school district have an important decision to make next Monday. The proposed millage increase on the ballot would raise millage assessed in the district by 1.9 mills in the summer of 1986 and 1.4 mills each year for the following seven. The 1.9 mills for 1986 will generate \$400,000 in revenues if the issue is passed. The entire sum would be used to replace the badly leaking roof on the Middle School. Subsequent millage revenues will be used solely to repair roofs, install efficient doors and windows, install insulation and perform other costly projects that administrators say are needed, but cannot be funded by the district's current operational millage.

Administrators say that the energy saving doors, windows and insulation will reduce energy costs to the district by at least \$1,000,000 over the next eight years. Also, these major repairs will save the district substantially in monies spent on "band aid" approaches to major problems with the district's buildings. A good example is the Middle School roof. Over the years, several attempts have been made to repair the leaks. A neutral engineering study made recently concludes that the only solution to the problem is a new roof. "The building is being damaged every time it rains, or when snow melts", says Superintendent Fritz Esch. "This is a \$15,000,000 building, and we can't let it deteriorate for the lack of a good roof," Esch added. The proposed roof has a ten year warranty and 25 year life expectancy. If the millage passes, the roofs on the other five buildings

10 lb. bag ice, 96¢ plus tax at Heritage Meat Market, Lowell 897-7049

Lowell Masons & Eastern Stars are sponsoring a Fish Fry on Saturday, October 5, 1985 in the Lowell Masonic Temple. Serving Family Style from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Adults \$3.75, children under 12-\$1.00.

CONCECRATION CELEBRATION, October 13, 1985 at 10:00 A.M., Vergennes United Methodist Church, noon - free Buffet, 2-5 P.M. Open House. Come join us and tour our new Community Celebration Room. 46,47

in the district will be repaired over the eight year program.

Though most of the district's buildings appear to be well-maintained, modern structures, they were all built prior to the dramatic rise in energy costs in the seventies. Consequently, they are not adequately insulated (some not at all), nor do they have efficient windows and doors. The Riverside School has large walls of windows that are single panes of glass from near the floor to the ten foot ceilings. These would be replaced by a specially designed window that has been used effectively by other school districts in the area.

Esch says, "Big energy savings will only be realized by making major improvements. The little things that can be done to save energy, have already been done in our district."

Though they are sympathetic to taxpayers who feel they are already over taxed by all branches of government, school administrators are quick to point out two things. One, the district's "debt retirement" millage has dropped from 7.21 mills in 1979 to 3.2 mills in 1985, and two, no increases in existing operational millage is expected when a renewal vote comes before the voters in the spring.

The Citizen's Committee to "Energize Our Schools", has published several detailed documents that spell out how the millage will be spent if approved. This information can be obtained by contacting the Superintendent's office at 897-8415.

Polls will open Monday, October 7 at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. The district is divided into three precincts. Precinct one votes at Runciman Elementary School, precinct two votes at Bowne Township Hall and precinct three votes at Vergennes Township Hall.

Historic milling turbines

Have you walked or driven by the rusted spires near the municipal parking lot on the south side of Main Street, and wondered to yourself, "what in the world?" If so, don't feel like the Lone Ranger. Though they may not be the most attractive items ever displayed in a downtown setting, the old mill turbines have significant historical importance.

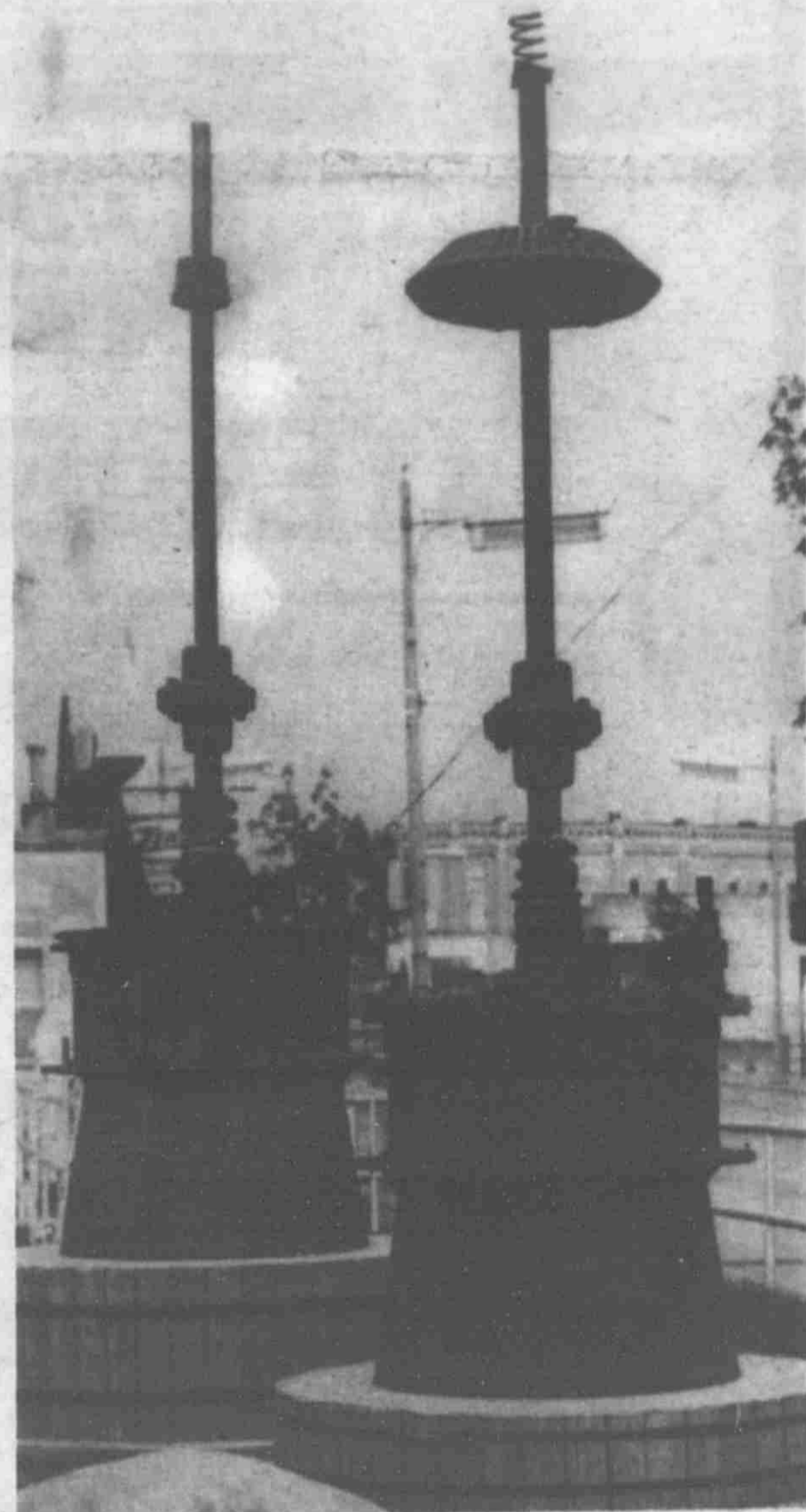
The turbines now on display atop two pedestals of solid concrete once powered the old Forest Mill, which was established in 1844 on the east bank of the Flat River just south of the

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Old Kent offer is withdrawn

Stating no reason for their decision, Old Kent Financial Corp. notified the State Savings Bank that they were withdrawing their offer to purchase the Lowell based bank. Old Kent had originally offered to purchase the bank, trading three and one half shares of Old Kent stock for one State Savings share. State Savings Stock is hard to peg with a fair market price because it is traded lightly, but the book value is set at about \$77.00 per share. The Old Kent offer equated to about \$100 per share.

The original vote by the S.S.B. Board of Directors was split four to three in favor of offering the proposal to the stockholders. Inside sources speculate that the split vote by the board, coupled with an often negative response from bank employees and customers caused Old Kent to withdraw their offer.



The old Leffel wheels, or milling turbines now displayed on Main Street were used in Lowell's first mill which was established in 1844. These particular turbines were used until the mill was razed in the early 1960's. Gil Wise, a member of the Lowell Area Arts Council designed the pedestals that the turbines are setting on.

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Obituaries

METTERNICK - Mr. Harold Metternick Sr., "Mr. Alto", aged 73, was raised on eagles wings to the Lord on Thursday, September 26, 1985. He is survived by his wife, Eva, their children, Harold and Ruth Ann Metternick, William and Rose Marie Bruinsma all of Alto, five grandchildren, Terry, Nancy and Tim Metternick, Cheri and Wendi Bruinsma all of Alto; three sisters, Reka Ohlman of Wyoming, Mrs. Forrest (Marian) Graham of Fennville, and Jean Coeling of Jenison; a brother, Matthew and Shirley Metternick Jr. of Beulah; an uncle, Nick Yonker of Hudsonville; several nieces, nephews and cousins. The Funeral Mass was offered Monday at the Holy Family Catholic Church, Caledonia, with Rev. Fr. Donald Heydens as Celebrant. Interment in St. Patrick's Cemetery.

CHRYSLER - Mr. Richard Paul Chrysler passed away

Saturday, September 21, 1985 at the age of 57. Surviving are his wife, Madeline; his children, Karen and Dick Plummer of Wyoming; one grandson, Daniel; one brother, Louis Kaminski of Lowell; two sisters, Elenor Seiting of Kentwood, and Peggy Hooker of Standale. Funeral Services were held at the Sullivan-Borr Funeral Home on Wednesday, with Rev. Dennis Emmons officiating. Interment Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.

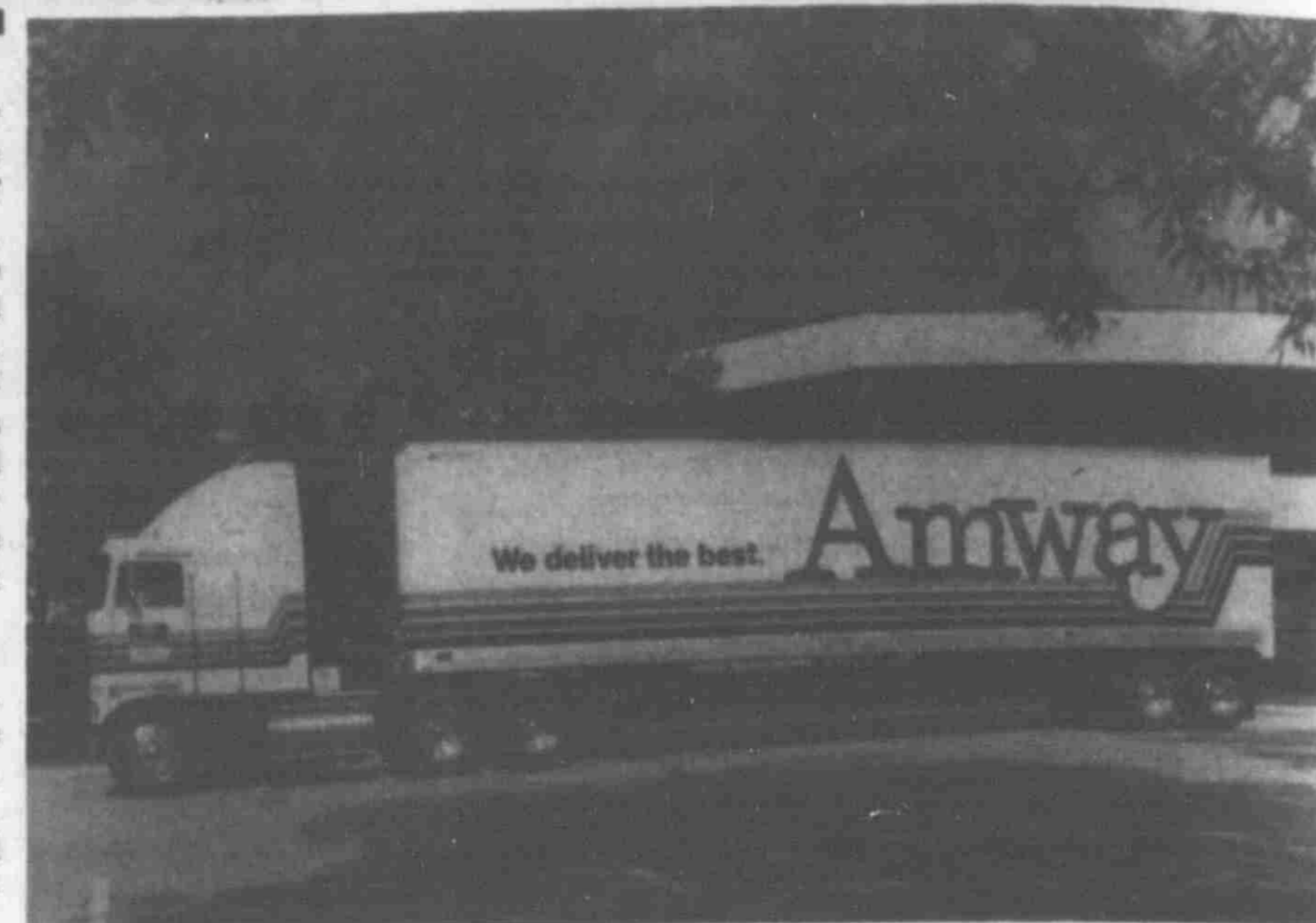
PEASE - Mr. Homer R. Pease, aged 78, died Wednesday morning at his home after an extended illness. He is survived by his wife, Leola, 13 children, Mrs. Mary Lee Kniss of Kalamazoo, Robert Jr. of Lawton, William of Riverside, CA, James of Las Vegas, NV, John of Maryland, Mrs. Donna Hendrickson of Paw Paw, Thomas of Stockton, CA, Lawrence of Lawton, David of

Paw Paw, Mrs. Sandra Brewer of Salt Lake City, Mrs. Julie Enos of Paw Paw and Daniel of Kalamazoo; 31 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Lawrence of Grand Rapids and Daniel of Florida, one sister, Mrs. Gladys Wiseman of Lowell. Funeral Services were held Saturday at the United Methodist Church, Paw Paw with Rev. Raymond McBrane officiating. Interment at Oak Grove Cemetery, Lawton.

HAY - Mrs. Minnie M. Hay, aged 79, passed away at the Lowell Medical Care Center, Tuesday, September 24, 1985. Surviving are her two sons and their wives, Clayton S. and Dolores Hay of Grand Rapids, Harold J. and Ruth Hay of Houston, TX, six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Funeral Services were held Friday at Vanstrien-Creston Chapel. Interment in Rosedale Memorial Park.

"To become mature is to recover that sense of seriousness which one had as a child at play."
Friedrich Nietzsche

Award Winning Trucks



Truck fleets do more than just carry products cross-country for their companies. They also serve as eye-catching rolling billboards seen by millions of people each year. Amway Corporation, a \$1.2 billion international direct selling company in Ada, Michigan, revamped the graphics on its trucks to reflect the company's new "We Deliver The Best" logo. The design virtually swept national graphics competition, earning three of four awards for best use of color, daytime visuals and nighttime visuals (reflectorized tape lets the graphics be seen at night.) Amway's fleet also was judged the safest private carrier on the highways of America in 1984. Top honors were bestowed by the Private Truck Council of America in conjunction with the National Safety Council, Private Carrier Conference of the American Trucking Association, and the Michigan Trucking Association. Amway's drivers logged 3.5 million miles with the lowest accident rate among more than 10,000 private carriers last year.

Announcing

NEW EXTENDED HOURS:

Lobby Hours:

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Friday 9am - 5:30pm
Saturday 9am - Noon

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Friday 8:30am - 5:30pm
Saturday 8:30am - 1pm

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Floyd Foster retires as Sexton of Merriman Cemetery

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Coming Events

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE Chapter night meeting is held the first Monday of each month, at 8 p.m.

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE Business Meeting is held the third Monday of each month, at 8 p.m.

THE ANNUAL HARVEST DINNER will be held at First United Methodist Church of Lowell on Tuesday, October 22 from 5 to 7 P.M. Tickets may be purchased from Annabelle Wittenbach at State Savings Bank (897-9277) and at the church office (897-5936). Prices for the turkey dinner are \$5.00, adults; \$2.25 children 5 thru 12, and free for children under 5. Take-out dinners are available.

WED. OCT. 2 Special Cooking class at Lowell Nature Pantry, 219 W. Main Street, from 7 P.M. to 9:30 P.M. The class is being offered free, with donations being taken to cover the supplies, everyone welcome.

WED., OCT. 9 The Snow UMW will serve a Roast Turkey and dressing dinner at the Snow Christian Center, 3211 Snow Ave. beginning at 5:30 P.M., Public invited.

THE SHOWBOAT GARDEN CLUB will meet Monday, October 14, at 7:30 p.m. at Schneider Manor, Gladys Thorne, Sponsor. A speaker from the Kent County Resource Recovery will present a program on "Waste or Resource - It's Up To You". Anyone interested in this current subject is invited to attend. The club has accepted a bid to construct a memorial planter to replace the small planter on the Library-YMCA lawn and coincide with city plans for the property. This planter will be a memorial for Hulda Fineis, longtime Lowell resident and garden club member, and financed by the Fineis family, the Showboat Garden Club and the Garden Lore Club.

VERGENNES CO-OPERATIVE CLUB - will meet at Schneider Manor on Thurs-

day, October 3, at 1:00 p.m. Program: Emma Herron presents "Grandparents Make The Difference." Sponsors: Anna Booth, Hostesses: Helen Schaefer, Dolores Laux, Evelyn Tichelaar, Eunice Vanderveen.

LOWELL RETIRED TEACHERS - will meet at Paul's Showboat Restaurant for lunch at 1:30 on Friday, October 4.

OCTOBER 6 - "Respect Life" Sunday at St. Mary's School, 322 Amity at 10:00 a.m. & 12 noon. Will have representatives from "Help Adoption Alternatives" & "Laleche", also pamphlets from "WEDA" & "Right to Life". Please come and be informed so you can help others. Coffee & rolls.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6 - Bountiful buffet brunch. Serving 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Ada Masonic Temple, corner of Ada Drive & Bronson. Adults \$5.00, seniors \$4.00 and children 5 to 10 \$2.50.

CHARGING ADMISSION? Roll tickets, single or double, assorted colors. Grand Valley Ledger, 897-9261.

COMMODITIES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Lowell Moose Club on Thursday, October 24th, 1985.

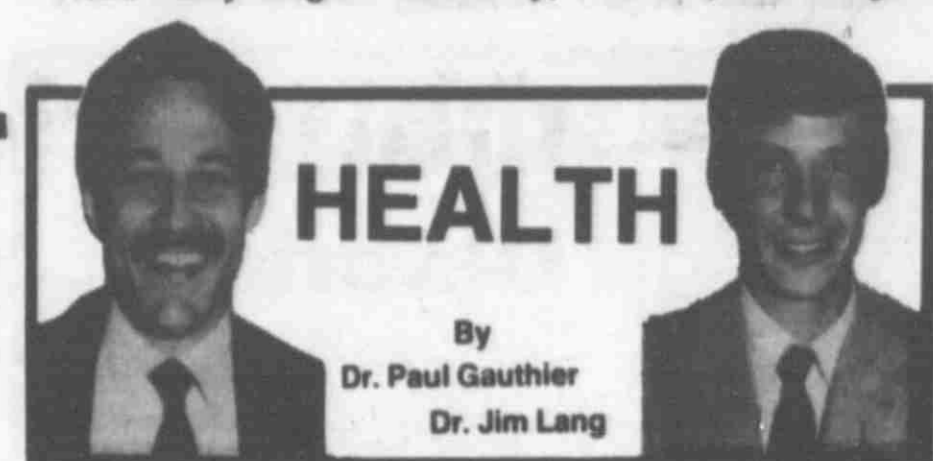
QUA-KE-ZIK SPORTSMAN'S CLUB meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. at the club building at 11400 Foreman Road, Lowell.

OCT 1-5 (TUES., - SAT.) Open House: Lowell Nature Pantry - 219 W. Main Street. Hours: 10 A.M. - 5 P.M. Tues. - Fri., Saturday 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. Everyone welcome.

THE LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS ATHLETIC BOOSTERS - will meet Monday, October 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the K-Quad in the High School. Wanted: persons to walk in the Homecoming parade! Be at the Methodist Church at 6:00 p.m., Friday, October 4 and represent the Booster Organization.

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HEALTH



By Dr. Paul Gauthier
Dr. Jim Lang

A NEW VACCINE

Recently, the Food and Drug Administration licensed a vaccine for prevention of diseases caused by Haemophilus influenzae type b. You may be saying "So what, whoever heard of Haemophilus influenzae?"

Haemophilus influenzae type b causes meningitis in infants and children and over 12,000 cases were reported in the USA last year. The incidence of the disease seems to be increasing with the increased use of day care centers. At least one, if not more, were from the Lowell area. Children with sickle cell anemia, certain cancers, American Indians and those attending day care centers seem to be more susceptible to contacting the disease. Once meningitis is diagnosed, effective antibiotics will cure most patients, but up to 1/3 of all patients will have permanent damage to the central nervous system! Haemophilus influenzae type b can also cause severe bone infections and a very serious infection of the throat called epiglottitis. Without proper emergency and intensive care, epiglottitis can be fatal. A less serious but more common infection caused by Haemophilus influenzae type b in children is pneumonia.

The U.S. Public Health Service recommends the vaccine for all children 2 years old and possibly those between 2 and 5 years old who have never had the vaccine. After vaccination the body responds by producing protective antibodies. These antibodies will probably last from 1-1/2 to 3-1/2 years after vaccination. The vaccine is not recommended for those more than five years old, as those children will have produced natural antibodies.

The vaccine is generally safe. Slight swelling or redness may occur at the site of the injection and occasionally a mild fever may occur. High fever has been reported in less than 1% of all vaccine recipients.

We feel the development of this vaccine is a great step forward in preventing serious illness and we recommend that all children receive the vaccine at their 2 year check up.

The first American advertising agency was opened by Volney B. Palmer in Philadelphia in 1841.

Lowell's Cross Country Team Racing On

Spartas strong, state bound boys team soundly beat Lowell's boys cross country team last Wednesday, September 25, at 39 to 18. Only Lowell's B. Kirby placed in the top five runners at fifth place. The Lowell girl's team also lost but at a more respectable 30 to 25. Lowell's girls A. Kanoza, K. Cridler, and J. Schank placed in the top five runners at third, fourth, and fifth places respectively.

Also running on the girls team: T. Briemayer, J. Spillane, and A. Clinger. Also running on the boys team: M. Harding, A. Milley, C. Kloosterman, C. Blasher, P. Wilcox, G. Mersman, D. Fegal, M. Grooters, R. Pawloski, E. Duram, J. Biemers, B. Kauffman, and returning from an injury, C. Sayen. Good job everyone!



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Homespun Devotions

By Pauline Spray

For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another (1 John 3:11).

It makes a difference what kind of flour we use when making delicate cakes. We don't pick up the first sack of flour we see on the grocery shelf. We search until we find the brand we feel confident will give us the best results when baking that special cake for Steve or Roxie's birthday party.

If choosing material for Debbie's Sunday dress, we are careful to select a good grade of material - one that will wear well and look its best after oodles of washings. Too often we have tried to "cut corners" and spent hours working on inferior material only to find, after a wearing or two, the seams, frayed, or after the first washing, the garment, shrunken and misshapen.

The Christian cannot expect to receive the best results spiritually if he tries to "cut corners" while building a character that counts. The kind of character that counts for God is the one into which the best materials have been utilized. Faith and hope make for good discipleship. To love is to be like God, our Heavenly Father. To obtain the best results, we must "use the finest cake flour."

Prayer: Heavenly Father, Thou art the author of love. If I am like Thee, I shall be loving, also. Increase my concern for others. Increase my faith. Help me to live in hope. Amen.

Long listening to Thy words, My voice shall catch Thy tone.

And, locked in Thine, my hand shall grow

All loving like Thy own.
AUTHOR UNKNOWN

Special Halloween Storytime Sponsored by Kent County Library

The Kent County Library System will sponsor Hoory for Halloween, a special story-time for children ages 3-6, at the Lowell branch on October 9 at 1:00 p.m. and at the Alto branch October 17 at 1:30 p.m. Halloween favorites including The Vanishing Pumpkin, Clifford's Halloween and Humbug Witch will be included. The story-time lasts about 40 minutes and groups must pre-register to assure adequate seating.

"Children really seem to love Halloween with the ghosts and goblins so we try to give them a story experience with both traditional and modern tales about the season," said Mary Frydrych, Coordinator of Children's Services. "Since the children are very young, we don't include any really scary stories."

Call your local branch or the Kent County Children's Services Department at 774-3253 for further information.

"A decision is what a man makes when he can't find anyone to serve on a committee."
Fletcher Knebel

Equestrian Team is Division Champion

Saturday, September 28, Lowell came home with another victory under their belts. Lowell scored 162 points, Rockford in second with 115 points and Cedar Springs came in third.

Total points for Class A Division V are: Lowell 535; Rockford 367; Cedar Springs 263. Putting Lowell in for Division V Class A Champions.

On October 27 the Equestrian Team will be going to Mason, Michigan for the Division Championship meet.

The placings for the last meet were as follows:
SADDLE SEAT FITTING & SHOWING SCHOOL: 6th Chantel Cosgrove, 2nd Kellie Nelson.

WESTERN FITTING & SHOWING SCHOOL: 2nd Kel-

lie Nelson, 4th Dawn Thompson and 5th Rob Huver.
HUNT SEAT FITTING & SHOWING SCHOOL: 1st Dawn Thompson, 3rd Candi Wood and 6th Tammie Knotnerus.

SADDLE SEAT EQUITATION SCHOOL: 3rd Cindy Luehrs, 6th Kelleigh Kinsey.

SADDLE SEAT PATTERN SCHOOL: 1st Cindy Luehrs, 6th Valerie Kuyt and 7th Kelleigh Kinsey.

SADDLE SEAT BAREBACK SCHOOL: 3rd Chantel Cosgrove, 4th Valerie Kuyt.

HUNT SEAT EQUITATION SCHOOL: 2nd Rob Huver and 7th Dawn Thompson.

HUNT SEAT BAREBACK SCHOOL: 2nd Cindy Luehrs,

3rd Melanie Nelson.
EQUITATION OVER FENCES SCHOOL: 1st Amy Versluis, 2nd Cindy Luehrs and 3rd Valerie Kuyt.
WESTERN EQUITATION SCHOOL: 1st Rob Huver, 3rd Dawn Thompson, 6th Melanie Nelson.

WESTERN BAREBACK SCHOOL: 1st Dawn Thompson, 2nd Rob Huver.

WESTERN RIDING/REINING SCHOOL: 1st Cindy Luehrs, 3rd Rob Huver.

TRAIL SCHOOL: 1st Candi Wood, 2nd Rob Huver.

FLAG RACE SCHOOL: 1st

Kirsten Hawk and 3rd Laura Finney.
CLOVERLEAF SCHOOL: 2nd Laura Finney, 3rd Rick Wingeier and 5th Kirsten Hawk.
SPEED & ACTION SCHOOL: 1st Laura Finney, 3rd Wayne Osmolinski and 5th Rick Wingeier.

TWO-MAN RELAY SCHOOL: 1st Team - Kirsten Hawk and Rick Wingeier, 2nd Team - Laura Finney and Wayne Osmolinski.

We would also like to thank all the people for their support at the carwash last week.

John Ball Zoo announces new winter hours

What's open 365 days a year and is always changing? The John Ball Zoo -- that's what! The Zoo has moved to shorter winter hours opening at 10 A.M. and closing at 4 P.M. The animals, however, do not move South for the winter and except for closing the Children's Zoo and moving the monkeys indoors everything stays the same.

The Zoo is less crowded this time of year and as the weather cools off the animals become more active and gain their lush winter coats. The snow leopards are particular winter time favorites as their color lightens and they race each other around in their snow covered exhibit.

New animals are always arriving -- expected later this Fall are

a pair of wildebeest for the newly renovated African area (formerly the hoofstock area). Just recently a sebu calf was born in the Children's Zoo and baby capybaras in the South American Panorama.

Special events planned for the Fall and Winter include the Halloween Fright Fest and Costume Parade on October 26 and the Christmas Party for the Animals on December 7.

For information concerning the Winter Zoo, call 776-2591. Admission is \$1.00 for adults and 50¢ for children and senior citizens. Admission will be charged through October and on weekends in November. The Zoo is open daily from 10 A.M. until 4 P.M.

Eastern Star to hold Annual Session at Wing's Stadium

The Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of Michigan will once again hold its Annual Session on October 8, 9 and 10, 1985 at the Wing's Stadium in Kalamazoo. This year will mark the 119th Session of the oldest Grand Chapter in the World.

The Order of the Eastern Star is the largest fraternal organization in the world, to which both men and women can belong, and is composed of close to 80,000 members in Michigan, with an approximate 3 million members world wide.

This 119th Convention, entitled the "Lighthouse of Hope" Session, will host about 4,000 Eastern Star members from Michigan and other jurisdictions throughout the United States and Canada.

Loyal service and loving dedication of these members, make it possible for the Grand Chapter to disburse in excess of \$145,000.00 yearly for its charitable work, and to many other charities on a local level and throughout the State.

Mrs. Lucile Martin, the Worthy Grand Matron, is from Clio, Michigan and Donald C. Shirey, the Worthy Grand Patron, is from the Chapter in Flint, Michigan. They will be presiding over this 119th Session.

There are 11 Chapters in Kent County and each chapter will be sending delegates to this Convention.

Mrs. Kathryn Hall, Mrs. Margaret Martin, Mrs. Nancy Wood and Richard Hall will be the representatives from Cyclamen Chapter 94 of Lowell.

Making homes for wildlife -- at home or work -- is becoming very popular, according to *International Wildlife* magazine. For the first time, a homeowners association and a group of factory workers have won certification from the National Wildlife Federation's Backyard Wildlife Habitat Program. The Homeowners Association of Sugar Creek in Waco, Texas has made a home for broad-winged hawks, armadillos and 25 species of butterflies. Near Buffalo, New York, 12 employees of the National Starch and Chemical Company plant converted a four-acre tract into a model wildlife habitat.

"Capitol Column"

By State Senator Dick Posthumus



Legislators spent much of the summer preparing for the Fall session. That effort will soon pay off with a loaded agenda.

At the top of the list is civil justice reform. Several special committees spent the last few months gathering testimony around the state on the critical issue of rising medical malpractice, bar owner, and municipal insurance rates. They have come out with recommendations, which will shortly be translated into legislative initiatives designed to slow down rising rates while maintaining the right to bring action against liable individuals.

The income tax question continues to stir debate and this fall will bring a whole new round of questions and answers. The Senate Finance Committee has sponsored hearings throughout Michigan on the Governor's tax plan and will likely act on the proposal this fall.

Worker's disability is far from a dead issue and, although legislators came to an agreement on how best to solve the short-term crisis of elapsed guidelines, Senate Republicans continue to work on long-term improve-

Second Annual Horse Fair Day to be held on October 20th

The Ionia County 4-H Horse Leaders will stage their second annual Horse Fair Day on Sunday, October 20, at the Ionia Free Fairgrounds beginning at 9 A.M. The day's events include a stallion parade, stallion service sale auction, commercial exhibits, seminars and demonstrations, a pony raffle, and raffles of assorted items.

The morning hours will be devoted to seminars and demonstrations and to viewing of the stallions and commercial booths. Horse seminars will include programs on horse driving, horse photography, and 4-H rodeo. In addition, the Town and Country Riders Club will give a drill team demonstration. Any time during the morning, visitors may visit with stallion owners and view their animals that will be stabled in the open show barns south of the covered arena. Horse enthusiasts may also look over the commercial booths which this year include a display of horse trailers and portable horse stalls by Circle J of Parma, Michigan, and a booth of the Palomino

Horse Association. The afternoon hours will be devoted to the parade of stallions and the stallion service sale auction. Mare owners and the general public may view some of the best stallions of all the major horse breeds. Many of these stallions will participate in the service sale auction. The bidding will start at half the stallions normal breeding fee. A mare owner has a very good chance of getting a bargain breeding rate.

Last year the first Horse Fair Day netted a total profit of over \$3500. This money and all money earned at Horse Fair Day has been set aside for the building of new horse stables at the Ionia Free Fairgrounds. At the present time 4-H horses are only able to be at the Free Fair on the opening Friday and Saturday. The horses must leave Saturday night to make room for the dairy and beef cattle. The goal of the Ionia County 4-H Horse Leaders is to construct new horse stabling so that all 4-H livestock can be on display at the Free Fair at one time.

New studies show that much of the produce imported into the U.S. contains pesticide residues, reports *International Wildlife* magazine. One-fourth of all fruit consumed in the United States is grown on foreign soil, where many pesticides banned in the U.S. are used. Only a tiny fraction of imported food shipments are inspected by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Even then, the FDA tests for fewer than half the pesticides which may be applied to foreign-grown produce.

Watch out, artificial sweeteners! Nature may provide us with some of the best sugar substitutes yet. *International Wildlife* magazine reports that a plant whose leaves and flowers are 1,000 times sweeter than sucrose has been discovered in tropical America. Early tests show that Lippis dulcis, once used by the Aztecs, is non-toxic, has no adverse effects and few calories. Two companies have begun investigating its possible use in toothpaste and mouthwash.

Rozich is member of Grand Valley 1985 Football team



Paul Rozich of Lowell is a member of Grand Valley State's 1985 Football team.

The Lakers, under new coach Tom Beck, is 1-2 this season and recently snapped a 14-game losing streak with a 28-14 victory over Evansville.

Rozich is a freshman offensive tackle. The first receivers of telephone calls cried out "Aho-yahoy" rather than the later greeting of "hello."

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I'll bet you think you get a lot of mail. But if you should happen to want more, just let me know, I'd be glad to share some of mine with you. I get enough mail for a dozen people.

For beginners, everybody in the world thinks newspapers should be on their mailing lists. The Ledger gets junk you wouldn't believe. We regularly receive huge packets of Lincoln-Mercury promotional material, but nothing from the car manufacturers with dealerships here. We get Hope College Field Hockey statistics. Every time they hire a new executive or bell hop at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel, they send me a nice news release with an 8 by 10 glossy of the new employee. I get Jerry Falwell's "Moral Majority Report" as well as regular missives from the American Civil Liberties Union. I get propaganda from the R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company right along with anti-smoking literature from the American Lung Association. The list goes on and on, and like I said before, I'd be more than happy to save some of this from the circular file if you are desperate for reading material.

Like the old wag says, "You can't judge a book by its cover." Consequently, you can't judge a news release by the envelope. After ten years of opening the Ledger's mail, I can almost always tell when an envelope contains some obscure information that is of no interest to me or Ledger readers. But I have to always at least open the envelope and take a quick look at the contents. You never know when a Hope College envelope might contain information about a Lowell student on the Dean's List, rather than Field Hockey results.

A good example of a near miss, was on a particularly busy morning about a year ago. I almost tossed an envelope from Rite-Aid Pharmacies with a Harrisburg, PA return address. What I had pegged as almost sure junk mail, was a lengthy news release concerning the sale of all thirteen Lippert Pharmacies to this unheard of Harrisburg outfit. I almost chucked out the biggest news story of the year.

On top of all this "earth shattering" news that I am buried with each day, I also get several magazines. I get about a dozen trade magazines. I get magazines from every organization I belong to; Rotary, Moose, V.F.W., American Legion, T.P.A., etc. I get several magazines like Europe, Michigan Milk Messenger, Michigan Township News, Michigan Artificial Breeders, etc., just because the publishers think I should be reading them. And, once a week, I get the only two magazines that I actually read, Time and Sports Illustrated.

How about catalogs and sales circulars? If you think you get a bunch, check out our mail. We get stuff trying to sell us everything from million dollar printing presses, down to promotional pencils. Need a hi-lo, or a laser beam typesetter, or ornaments for your Christmas tree? You, name it, and I can probably get it from one of the catalogs we get here. How about a "Pea Brain" hat that is molded to look like a huge serving of peas with a patty of butter melting over it? Yup, I can get it for you.

Yes, we do actually get some "mail" mixed in with all the "junk". There is always a mess of bills, and sometimes a check or two. There are often news releases of local interest, which we appreciate very much. We sometimes get nasty little notes complaining about something that did or didn't get into the Ledger. And once in a great while we get a complimentary note thanking us for helping promote an event, or whatever.

If nothing else, our mail here at the Ledger is at least, "abundant". Heck, it probably provides a job for an extra man on the city garbage truck.

There is one thing that I am waiting anxiously for in the mail. I ordered one of those "Pea Brain" hats to wear while writing this column.

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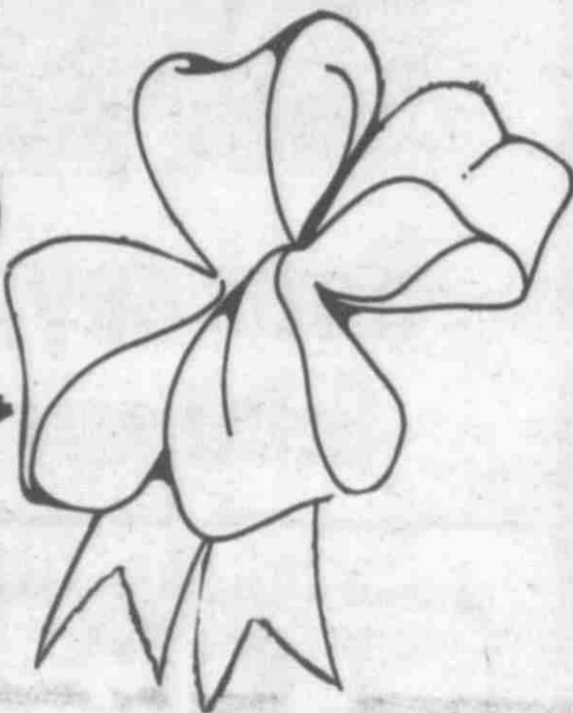
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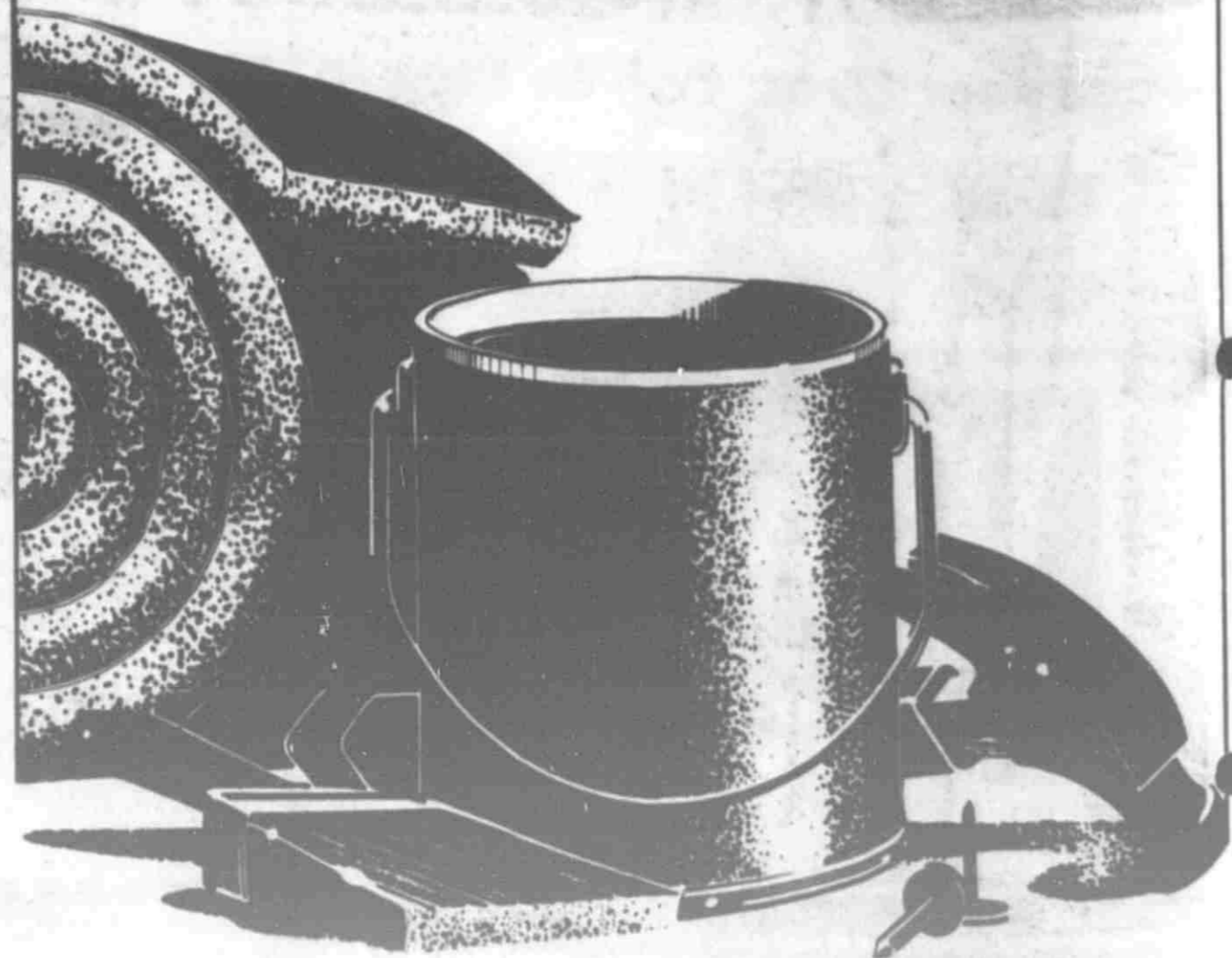
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Dairy judging team wins State contest

The Kent County 4-H Judging Team won the State Contest held at Michigan State University on August 21, 1985. Team members were: Julie Wissink, Belding; Jamie Cook, Lowell and Stacey Skinner, Caledonia. Team coach was Paul Meyer, Caledonia and team coordinator was Andy Hagenow, Rockford.

The Kent County team spent over two months working out for this contest. Evening meetings were held at dairy farms around the country to help members sharpen their skills for the contest.

The Kent County team met with competition from 23 other counties around the state. The team scored a total of 1510

points out of a possible 1600. Contestants placed eight classes of four dairy animals, and were required to defend their placings by writing written reasons and giving three sets of oral reasons.

The judging contest was part of a three-day event known as Dairy Days, where young people could participate in a dairy quiz bowl, speaking contests, demonstration contests, dairy exhibit contests, and dairy recipe contests in addition to the judging contest.

For more information on Kent County 4-H, please contact Patricia Tolle or Robert Trout, 4-H Youth Agents, 836 Fuller Avenue, NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503, phone (616) 774-3265.



Andy Hagenow, Team Co-ordinator; Julie Wissink, Belding; Jamie Cook, Lowell; Stacey Skinner, Caledonia; and Paul Meyer, County Coach.

Dial 373-WILD for wildlife news in Michigan

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has set up a new telephone hotline -- 517-373-WILD -- to answer the public's questions about Michigan wildlife.

The hotline's two-three minute recorded messages will provide the latest information about

hunting season dates, hunting license costs/availability deadlines, hunting tips and conditions in various parts of the State, rules reminders and rules changes, hunter safety, bird migrations and other general news about the State's wild animals and birds.

Tony Genco of the DNR's

Wildlife Division, who is coordinator of the new hotline program, says additional tips will be given on mushrooms, wild berries, wildflowers and rules changes in season. The recorded messages will be updated once a week.

"We expect that the new hot-

Special riding program holds successful Ride-A-Thon

Ride-On '85 was held September 21, 1985 at the Ionia State Recreation Area as the major fund-raiser for the Kent Special Riding Program (KSRP). The 47 participants collected over \$4700 in the ride-athon to support this 4-H horseback riding for the handicapped program.

The grand prize winner, Sandy Scott from Lowell, collected a total of \$836. Her prize was a bottle of champagne, a silver wine bucket and a horse and buggy ride in Grand Rapids. This is the third year that Ms. Scott has raised over \$500 for KSRP.

The Meadowbrook Mounts 4-H Club, Nancy Snyder's Alto area group, won the prize for the club with the most member participants, while the Midnight Riders collected the most pledges by a 4-H club. The Midnight Riders are led by Tom and Ginny Luehrs from Lowell.

The youths that collected the most pledges included Kim

Weeks, Clarksville, in the 9-11 year old group; Cindy Barnes from Grand Rapids in the 12-15 year old group and Cindy Luehrs, Lowell, in the 16-20 year old group.

The oldest rider prize, a \$50 gift certificate to Great Lakes Steak Co., was won by Henry Gepford of Grand Rapids.

The Marcia McDiarmid family of Kentwood won the prize

for the most pledges by a family group.

The Kent Special Riding Program offers recreational and therapeutic horseback riding for handicapped individuals. The program is located at the Bill and Lynn Schumacher Farm, 9705 Morse Lake Road, Alto. This 4-H program works with over 150 participants per year and is run by volunteers.



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CBN	CBN Cable Network	19 (CBN)
WGN	Chicago, IL	20 (WGN)
ESPN	Sports Network	21 (ESPN)
CNN	Cable News Ntwrk	22 (CNN)
NICK/ARTS	Nickelodeon	23 (NICK/ARTS)



CONTAINS LISTINGS FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1985 THRU THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1985

Don Johnson plays Ben Quick, a drifter who causes an uproar among the residents of a small Mississippi town, including schoolteacher Noel Varner (Judith Ivey, L) and her flirtatious sister-in-law, Eala (Cybill Shepherd), in "The Long Hot Summer." It airs in two parts on NBC, Sunday and Monday, Oct. 6 and 7.

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MORNING
5:00 1985 National Wheelchair Games from Edinboro, PA.
6:00 [MAX] MOVIE: 'The Westerner'
6:30 [HBO] MOVIE: 'Isaac Littlefeathers'
7:00 Sportscenter
7:30 [HBO] MOVIE: 'Isaac Littlefeathers'
8:00 [HBO] MOVIE: 'Last Plane Out'

11:00 Cycling: ESPN's Horse Racing Weekly
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AFTERNOON
12:00 [HBO] MOVIE: 'Shipwreck!'
12:30 [HBO] MOVIE: 'Country'
1:00 [HBO] MOVIE: 'Targets' A disturbed Vietnam veteran goes on a bloody rampage and encounters an aging horror film star. Boris Karloff, Tim O'Kelly, Nancy Hueck, 1968.
1:30 [HBO] MOVIE: 'So This is Love' While preparing for his debut at the Met, Grace Moore travels back in memory to the long road leading to this night. Kathryn Grayson, Mary Griffin, 1953.
1:00 [HBO] MOVIE: 'Vendetta For The Saint' A world traveler who seeks adventure wages a personal vendetta against the Mafia and involves two young girls. Roger Moore and Rosemary Dexter, 1966.
2:00 [HBO] MOVIE: 'The Princess and the Pea' PKA Full Contact Karate: [HBO] MOVIE: 'They Call Me Bruce?'
2:30 [HBO] MOVIE: 'The Westerner'
2:30 CFA College Football: Cal State-Fullerton @ San Jose St.

3:00 Top Rank Boxing from Las Vegas, NV
4:00 [MAX] MOVIE: 'Wonderlands of Atlantis'
5:30 Outdoor Life Magazine
EVENING
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8:00AM [HBO] - 'Last Plane Out'
10:00AM [MAX] - 'Wonderlands of Atlantis'
10:00AM [HBO] - 'Raw Wind in Eden'
10:00AM [MAX] - 'That Forsyte Woman'
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8:00PM [HBO] - 'Nude Bomb'
9:00PM [HBO] - 'Summer and Smoke'
10:00PM [HBO] - 'Monkey's Uncle'
11:00PM [HBO] - 'The Challenge'
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THIS WEEK'S SPORTS AT A GLANCE...

Table of sports schedules for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Columns include time slots (5:00AM, 6:00AM, etc.) and event descriptions (1985 National Wheelchair Games, ESPN's Speedweek, etc.).

DAYTIME

Table of daytime television programming for Monday through Friday. Columns include time slots (5:00, 5:30, 6:00, etc.) and program titles (Happy Days Again, The Dick Van Dyke Show, etc.).

Arrows celebrate Homecoming Week 1985 Fallsburg Fall Festival raffle winners

This is "Homecoming Week" in Lowell. The highlight of the week long festivities will be the crowning of the King and Queen at halftime of Friday night's football game with Sparta. Final selections of the "Homecoming Court" were not made until Tuesday evening. Therefore the Ledger was unable to publish the names of these students who are elected by their classmates to represent them on the court. The week began with "Hat and Shades" day on Monday. Students wore wacky hats and wild sunglasses. Tuesday was "College Day", and students wore clothing identified by the favorite colleges. Nothing was scheduled for Wednesday because of the in-service day. On Thursday students will dress accordance with the Homecoming theme, "The Decades". Students will wear period garb from the 20's, 40's, 60's, etc. Friday is the traditional "Red & White" day with Homecoming assembly at 2:00. All the members of the court will be introduced, and music will be provided for the occasion by High School Band member under the direction of Robert Rice. The Homecoming Parade is slated to step off at the First United Methodist Church on East Main at 6:20 P.M. The parade will proceed west on Main to Broadway, then south to Burch Field in Recreation Park. This year's parade will consist of floats entered by all the high school classes following the "Decades" theme, both the High School and Middle School Bands, the Booster Bus and possibly a float entry from the Athletic Boosters. Game time is at 7:30. Halftime activities include a performance by the High School Band, a review and judging of the floats, and of course the crowning of the 1985 Homecoming King and Queen. The weekend activities will wind up on Saturday night with the traditional Homecoming Dance at the Lowell Middle School, beginning at 8:00 P.M.

1985 Fallsburg Fall Festival raffle winners

The following is a list of Raffle winners from the Fallsburg Fall Festival, held last Saturday and Sunday, September 28 & 29: Quilt: Mike Muehlenbeck from St. Johns, Michigan. Duck: etched in acrylic carving - winner: Jim Doyle, Lowell, Michigan; artist: Cindy Folkertsma of Croton Dam, Michigan. Porcelain Pottery Bell: Winner: Karen Corbett of Lowell; artists: Stephen & Deanna Kotsyshyn of Charlevoix, Michigan. Woven Basket - winner: Lori Walcott of Wyoming, Michigan; artist: Sharon Buchanan of Vestaburg, Michigan. Stoneware Pottery Candle Stick Holder: Winner - Marlene Jackson of Lowell; artist: David Nelson of St. Joseph, Michigan. Stained Glass Jewelry Box w/ Sailboat Etching: Winner- Betty Udyke of Greenville, Michigan; artist: Dale Kropf of Lowell.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENTS VERGENNES TOWNSHIP, KENT COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Notice is hereby given that the Vergennes Township Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on Monday, November 4, 1985 at 7:00 P.M. in the Vergennes Township Hall, 12625 Bailey Drive.

The subjects of the public hearing will be the consideration of the following amendments to the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance:

VERGENNES ZONING ORDINANCE 3.075 "R-L LAKE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT"

A. Statement of Purpose and Description. This district classification is intended to (1) encourage the proper development of land abutting lakes and waterways, (2) avoid pollution and (3) preserve lakes and waterways for the best use of the land, and includes those properties in Sect. 4 on Lally Street, Causeway Drive or Murray Lake Avenue with frontage on Murray Lake.

B. Permitted Uses. Only the following use is permitted.
1. Single family dwellings.

C. Height. No residential building shall exceed 35 feet or two and one-half stories, whichever is lesser. No accessory building shall exceed a height of 16 feet.

D. Set Back and Side Line Spacing. No building or structure, nor the enlargement of any building or structure, shall be hereafter erected unless the following set back and side line spacing requirements are met in connection with the lot or parcel on which such building, structure or enlargement is located:
1. **Set Back.** There shall be a set back from all street right-of-way lines or not less than 35 feet.
2. **Side Line Spacing.** There shall be a space of not less than 10 feet from the interior side line of the lot to the building, structure or enlargement, except on corner lots where there shall be a set back of not less than 35 feet from all street right-of-way lines.
3. **Rear Line Spacing.** There shall be a space of not less than 30 feet from the building, structure or enlargement to the rear line of lot or not less than 30 feet from a water-front property line, or the highway line of a body of water, whichever is greater.

E. Lot Area.
1. **Single Family Dwellings.** The minimum lot area for use in this district shall be ten thousand (10,000) square feet. The width of such a lot shall be at no point less than 50 feet. These lot size restrictions apply only in areas with a public sewer system.

F. Floor Area Requirements. These requirements shall be the same as those in the "R-2" district. (3.06-G).

ORDINANCE NO. 84-3

An Ordinance pursuant to the Township Rural Zoning Act, being Act 184 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1943, as amended, to amend and supplement the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance.

The Township Board of Vergennes Township, Kent County, Michigan hereby ordains that the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance is amended by adding a new Section 4.14(a) which shall be entitled **PRIVATE ROADS AND STREETS**.

A. The layout of private streets in respect to their location, intersections, cul-de-sacs, vertical street alignment, street grades, horizontal curves, curb openings at intersecting streets, etc., shall conform to the Kent County Road Commission standards for platted streets. In addition, curb openings at intersecting public streets or roads shall have the curbing, guttering and surfacing to the property line as required under Kent County Road Commission standards completed within one year from completion of the private road.

B. The construction of the roadway shall conform to the Kent County Road Commission standard for a local road - 22' wide with 6" gravel base (MDSH 22A), 6' wide grass shoulders, side ditches with 1 on 3 front slope and 1 on 2 back slope at 0.5% grade minimum. Ditches shall outlet into a cross culvert or drainage course. In impervious soils (clay or other unsuitable materials), a 12" sand sub-base, graded parallel to the road surface (extending into the front ditch slope), shall be constructed. Bituminous surfacing and storm sewer will not be required.

C. Culverts shall be placed at all natural drainage courses or other waterways. Culvert sizes and grades shall be determined using the Kent County Road Commission storm runoff calculations formula. Materials for culverts shall also conform to their requirements.

D. Maintenance and repair of private streets shall not be the responsibility of the township.

PROPOSAL TO AMEND SECTION 6.02 OF THE VERGENNES TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE

6.02 (Title) Change word "PERMIT" to "PERMITS".

6.02 A. add the number "1" between "A" and "Building Permit Required".

change second sentence to read (addition underlined):
"A building permit is not required for any building incidental to the use for agricultural purposes of the land on which the building is located if it is not used in the business of retail trade, and for minor improvements ... etc. (unchanged to end).

6.02 A. 2. (new paragraph) "Zoning Compliance Permit Required. Except as otherwise provided in this ordinance, it shall be unlawful to erect any new building or structure for agricultural purposes as defined in Section 2.02 C. or to make a major improvement of any such existing building or structure until a zoning compliance permit has been obtained from the Zoning Inspector by the owner or his duly authorized agent. A zoning compliance permit is not required for minor repairs to existing agricultural buildings or structures and for minor improvements to existing agricultural buildings or structures such as interior remodeling for the purpose of continuing agricultural use, fencing, painting or siding work, water systems, or repair or installation of roofs."

6.02 B. change existing first sentence to read (addition underlined):
"Application for a building or zoning compliance permit shall be in writing and etc. (unchanged to end of paragraph).

6.02 H. change second line to read (addition underlined):
"Or part thereof erected or altered pursuant to a building permit as"

6.02 I. change existing second sentence to read (addition underlined):
"The required fee shall be collected by the Zoning Inspector prior to the processing of an application for building or zoning compliance permit, variance, or appeal.

EARTH HOUSING PROPOSED CHANGES TO VERGENNES ZONING ORDINANCE

1. Change existing Section 2.02E BASEMENT: Change word above (line 2) to below.

2. Add new Section 2.02KK GRADE: As applicable to buildings that surface of the earth or finished material located immediately adjacent to the structure.

3. Add new Section 2.02LL
a. DWELLING, EARTH BERMED: A dwelling where the ground floor area is partly below grade to provide climatic, noise, or life safety protection, but is so designed not to include any portion of a basement in the floor area calculation.
b. DWELLING, EARTH SHELTERED: A dwelling where the ground floor area is partly below grade to provide climatic, noise, or life safety protection and includes all or part of a basement in the floor area calculations; providing that any basement area used in floor area calculations meets the requirements of the ordinance for residential use.

4. Change existing 3.04 "R-A" RURAL AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT, B.5. to read: Private single-family dwellings including EARTH BERMED and EARTH-SHELTERED DWELLINGS.

5. Change existing Section 3.05 "R-L" LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, B.1 to read: Private single-family dwellings including earth-bermed dwellings.



There are miniature kangaroos that are no bigger than rabbits.

"If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous, he will not bite you. This is the principal difference between a man and his dog." Mark Twain

Red Arrows massacre Knights 28-7

Last Friday night, the Lowell Red Arrows ventured to Kenowa Hills to battle the Knights for their homecoming game.

Lowell's offensive and defensive squads played extraordinary football against Kenowa. The offense, led by senior quarterback Mike Barnes, moved the ball quite effectively for 400 total yards. Barnes had an exceptional night, throwing 8 out of 10 for 163 total passing yards.

At half time, the Arrows were ahead 20-0. In the second half, senior fullback, Joe Mitchell, danced in from 3 yards out after a substantial drive to make the score 28-0 in favor of Lowell.

Varsity girl's lose first conference game to Northview

Lowell Varsity Girl's basketball team played their first conference game against the Northview Wildcats on Thursday night at home. The Red Arrow girls' first half when Barnes hit a heavy-ily covered Mike Shepard from 8

yards out. Shepard caught 3 passes for 38 yards, one T.D. and a 2 point conversion while Jeff Phillips had 2 receptions for 41 yards.

When Barnes wasn't burning Kenowa's secondary in the air, Mike Dumas was slipping tackles for yardage on the ground. Dumas carried the ball 24 times compiling 152 yards and a T.D. which came in the second quarter.

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Lowell's defense only let the Knights score once in the fourth quarter, when Bill Rohloff pounded up the middle for a yard. The leading tacklers for Lowell were Mike Nugent with 7; Tim Arnold with 4; and both

Cindy Dumas was right behind Watrous with 7 points, 3 rebounds, and 5 steals. The only sophomore on the team Tammy Lindhout managed to put down 7 points, and 3 rebounds.

Arrows need to pull together and go on to their next conference game on October 1 against the Forest Hills Central Rangers at home.

A rough schedule faces the Arrows and only time will tell if the girls are equal to the test.

Important Info. for moped owners

Whatever it is called, if it has a motor and two or three wheels, it has to be registered before it can be driven on public highways, roads and streets.

If it has two horsepower or less, no gears, and a top speed under 30 miles per hour, it's a moped and the operator has to have either a driver license or a special moped license to operate on public highways. The minimum age for a special moped license is 15.

If it has more than two horsepower, a gear shift, and a top speed of over 30 miles per hour, it is a motorcycle. The operator must have a driver license with a motorcycle endorsement.

According to Secretary of State Richard Austin, this distinction is not clearly understood by many parents who purchase mopeds for their children.

Austin said the law requires all motorcycle riders and all moped operators under 19 years of age to wear helmets, but for safety sake, all moped operators regardless of their age should wear helmets.

YES - We have no bananas! But we finally have scratch pads made. 75¢ a pound. Grand Valley Ledger, 105 N. Broadway.

Bad weather delays two matches for girls tennis

The dreary, wet weather interfered with Lowell's Girls Tennis action this week. Wednesday's match was interrupted by a heavy downpour of rain. The girls will continue the match this Tuesday.

Last Thursday's match against the Greenville Yellow Jackets was also cancelled due to unexpected rain.

Super-action occurred Monday as the Arrows dominated Roger's team by a score of 6-1. Winners in singles for Lowell were Jeannie Dintamin, Tricia Frey and Jessica Rose. Winning in doubles was Jennifer Speerstra and Becki Wood, Marcia Ryder and Jodi Danley, and Angie Able and Tami Stephens.

The girls had beautiful weather last Saturday when they participated in Greenville's invitational. Tricia Frey, who played a tough three set championship

Arrows lose close match to Northview

In golf action last week the Red Arrows proved their character after losing a 4 stroke match to Northview and Forest Hills Central on Wednesday. In that match at Grand Island, Lowell shot 166 and was led by Jay Messner 39, Eric Schwamberger 42, and Paul Stroosnyder 40. Thursday, Lowell returned to it's winning ways by crushing Kenowa Hills 161-175 at Deer Run. Jay Messner once again led Lowell with 38, Eric Schwamberger 39, Paul Stroosnyder and Darl DeCater 42.

Friday ended a busy week for the Varsity Golf team as they took on 28 excellent west Michigan Teams at the Ludington Invitational Tournament held at scenic Lincoln Hills Country Club in Ludington. Lowell finished 10th in this fast field. Their score for this 18 hole tournament was 330. The scores counted for Lowell are Jay Messner 79, Darl DeCater 81, Paul Stroosnyder 83, and Bret Thomas 87. A non-league win over Belding rounded out a successful week.

Health Department Improvement program is now being offered

The Kent County Health Department has announced a schedule of screening and counseling for individuals wishing to take part in the Department's Health Improvement Program.

The Health Improvement Program was developed to identify and reduce lifestyle risk factors that are recognized as contributors to the leading causes of death. The program is being offered to employee groups in governmental and non-profit agencies in Kent County.

The risk assessment portion of the program begins with administration of a questionnaire about life style habits. Other tests conducted include height, weight, blood pressure, blood chemistry, fitness, lung function, percentage of body fat, strength, flexibility and endurance.

Three weeks later, participants return for a review of the computer scoring of their questionnaire and the results of other tests. This 45 minute counseling session concludes with recommendations for programs the participant can enter to reduce the identified health risks.

The fee for the program is \$40.00. Those who are unable to pay the full fee will be charged according to a sliding fee scale based on income and family size.

The screening and counseling sessions for the rest of 1985 will be held according to the following schedule. Appointments are available during the hours of 8-12 or 1-5.

Limbs had to be cut to make room for the traveling Christiansen home



The old Christiansen Home made its move up Jefferson Street last Tuesday. There were a few tight squeezes along the way, and many limbs had to be trimmed. Work has already begun on the First United Methodist Church parking lot that will be built on the home's old site at the northeast corner of Jackson and Main.

LEGAL NOTICES

SOLICITATION OF BIDS
The Kent County Purchasing Department is soliciting bids for the item(s) listed below. Detailed specifications are available at the Purchasing Office Room 227, County Administration Building, 300 Monroe Ave., N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49503.

TO: MICHAEL ORCASITAS
In The Matter Of: Andrew BURGESS
Hearing: October 8, 1985, at 3:30 p.m.
A neglect temporary wardship petition has been filed in the above matter. A hearing on the petition will be conducted by the Court on the date and time stated above in Kent County Juvenile Court, 1501 Cedar NE, Grand Rapids, Michigan. It is therefore ordered that you personally appear before the Court at the time and place stated above. This hearing may result in a temporary or permanent loss of your rights to the child(ren).

TO: MICHAEL JAMES, JOSEPH BETTISTEA AND GLORIA TAYLOR
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SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION OF THE ELECTORS OF LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS KENT AND IONIA COUNTIES, MICHIGAN TO BE HELD MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1985

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:
Please Take Notice that a special election of the electors of Lowell Area Schools, Kent and Ionia Counties, Michigan, will be held in the school district, on Monday, October 7, 1985.

THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7:00 O'CLOCK, A.M., AND CLOSE AT 8:00 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The following proposition will be submitted to the vote of the electors at the special election:

TAX RATE LIMITATION INCREASE PROPOSITION FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Lowell Area Schools, Kent and Ionia Counties, Michigan, be increased as follows:

1.9 mills (\$1.90 on each \$1,000.00) for the year 1986; and

1.4 mills (\$1.40 on each \$1,000.00) for a period of 7 years, 1987 to 1993, inclusive;

on state equalized valuation, for the purpose of providing additional operating funds for maintenance and repair of school facilities?

THE VOTING PLACES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

PRECINCT NO. 1
VOTING PLACE: Runciman Elementary School, 300 High Street, Lowell, Michigan. The first precinct consists of the City of Lowell and those portions lying north of the centerline of Cascade Road in Cascade and Lowell Townships in Kent County, and Boston Township in Ionia County.

PRECINCT NO. 2
VOTING PLACE: Bowne Township Hall, 6059 Linfield, Alto, Michigan. The second precinct consists of Bowne Township in Kent County and Campbell Township in Ionia County and those portions lying south of the centerline of Cascade Road in Cascade and Lowell Townships in Kent County, and Boston Township in Ionia County.

PRECINCT NO. 3
VOTING PLACE: Vergennes Township Hall, corner of Bailey Drive and Parnell Avenue in Vergennes Township. The third precinct consists of the Townships of Ada, Cannon, Grattan, and Vergennes in Kent County, and Keene Township in Ionia County.

All school electors who are registered with the City or township clerk of the city or township in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election.

STATEMENT OF KENT COUNTY TREASURER AS TO VOTED INCREASES STATE OF MICHIGAN

SS. COUNTY OF KENT
I, JOHN K. BOEREMA, the duly elected, qualified and acting Treasurer of the County of Kent, State of Michigan, hereby CERTIFY that part of Lowell Area Schools, is located within the boundaries of said County of Kent and that, at the date hereof, the records of this office indicate that there are voted increases in the total tax rate limitation, in local units, affecting the taxable property in said school district as follows:

Unit	Voted Increases	Years Effective
By Kent County:	NONE	
By Grattan Township:	NONE	
By Ada Township:	1.25 Mills	1982 to 1986 Incl.
By Cascade Township:	NONE	
By Vergennes Township:	NONE	
By Cannon Township:	NONE	
By Lowell Township:	Up to 1.50 Mills	1979 to 1988 Incl.
By Bowne Township:	17.90 Mills	1983 to 1985 Incl.
By The School District:	4.3 Mills	1985

John K. Boerema
Kent County Treasurer

Dated Aug. 29, 1985
at Grand Rapids, Michigan

I, Lucille Heppie, Treasurer of Ionia County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of September 3, 1985, the records of this Office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Lowell Area Schools, Kent and Ionia Counties, Michigan, is as follows:

By Ionia County:	.0125	Unlimited
By Boston Township:	NONE	
By Campbell Township:	.0100	1985
By Keene Township:	NONE	
By the School District:		4.3 mills, 1985 17.9 mills, 1985

Lucille Heppie
Treasurer, Ionia County

THIS NOTICE IS GIVEN BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS, KENT AND IONIA COUNTIES, MICHIGAN.

Sandra Nagy
Secretary, Board of Education
C45&C46

Happy Birthday

OCTOBER 2: Ann Pursley, Sandy Pursley, Bob Mercer, Debbie Shaffer

OCTOBER 3: George Anderson

OCTOBER 4: Ray Pitsch, Ron Pawloski, Jean Kinsey, Marj Harding, Roger Harris

OCTOBER 6: Michelle Serne, Dennis Dombak, Steven J. Ayres

OCTOBER 7: Fred Ray, Richard Rasch, Jenny Idema, John Alberts, Kathy Mitchell, Herm Carlisle, Cora Stormzand

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VERGENNES TOWNSHIP NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING

The Vergennes Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing to consider amending the Zoning Ordinance. The Meeting will be held on Monday, November 4, 1985 at the Vergennes Township Hall, 1265 Bailey Drive at 7:00 P.M.

Purpose of the Hearing will be the Rezoning of Property fronting on Murray Lake.

Jean Hoffman
Vergennes Clerk
C46&49

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ENERGIZE

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OCT. 7th

Millage is for repairs ONLY

By Superintendent Fritz Esch

The last sentence in the October 7th proposal before voters of Lowell Area Schools reads "... for the purpose of providing additional operating funds for maintenance and repair of school facilities." Wording the ballot this way specifically identifies the purpose for which the school district can use the funds once approved.

For example, the district could not use these funds to raise administrative or teacher salaries or improve any employee salary fringe benefit packages for that matter. However, money can be used to add insulation to buildings, to replace lighting fixtures with more efficient lights in interior classrooms and gyms, and replace single pane windows with energy efficient window systems.

Why haven't these things been done before? The answer is all too painfully simple - money. Over the past years, the school system has continued to place available dollars into direct services to students even at the expense of maintenance and repairs to buildings. Now the buildings need attention if the district is to avoid spending unnecessary dollars for heat, lights, and major maintenance repairs in the future.

The only issue in this millage request is cost avoidance. It makes sense to spend dollars today in redesigning utility systems

in buildings that were built between 1930 and 1972 when energy was cheap. Making the move today will help taxpayers avoid anticipated increases in utility costs beginning in 1986 and for years to come.

The millage proposal calls for a levy of 1.9 mills for 1986 only. Beginning in 1987 it would drop to 1.4 mills and continue at that rate until 1993.

During the same eight year period conservative estimates from Progressive Engineering indicate that taxpayers will spend over \$2,700,000 on gas and electrical bills alone if nothing is done to alter current energy using systems and if no insulation is added. It is interesting to note by contrast that a favorable vote on October 7, over the same period of time (8 years) would raise about \$2,000,000. It is also interesting to note that an expected equal amount will be avoided as costs to taxpayers.

Will there be an additional millage request next spring? In the foreseeable future there is no intent to request additional millage for school operation. How-

ever, 22.2 mills will expire and needs to be renewed prior to July 1, 1986. Approximately 7 tenths of one mill could be transferred from the debt service fund to operational fund by a favorable vote of electors at no additional cost to taxpayers. Those funds could be used annually to support the recommendations of the Citizens' Committee on Educational Excellence which were presented to the Board at its September meeting.

Dollar for dollar, Lowell Area Schools provides an excellent program for all students. It is obvious to the casual observers who have had experience with other school districts that previous board members serving on the Lowell Board of Education have made some very wise decisions in years past. It is also imperative that the current Board have the resources available to them to carry on the same tradition of providing an excellent educational program and schedule of building maintenance to address the needs in the future.

Lowell Teachers Association donates to millage campaign



Tom Stahr, President of the Lowell Education Association, recently presented a check for \$500 to Bill Amundsen, Dale Johnson, and Gaye Nauta, Chairpersons of the Energize Our Schools Committee, to use in publicizing their campaign for the upcoming election on October 7. Said Stahr, "To members of the teaching staff, it only makes common sense for us to do what we can to protect the investment we have in our buildings by making sure they are energy efficient and well maintained."

News From 5th District Congressman...
Paul Henry

Congressman Paul Henry was pleased to announce that funding requests were granted by the Department of Housing and Urban Development today to three applicants in the Fifth Congressional District. The funding requests were made under the HUD Section 202 program which provides direct low-interest loans to sponsors, either private non-profit entities, or consumer cooperatives, for the construction or rehabilitation of residential projects and related facilities for the elderly or handicapped.

The three loan recipients are:
1. David's House, sponsored by Honeycreek Christian Homes - will construct an 11-unit housing development for developmentally disabled, to be located in Wyoming. The loan amount is \$392,700.00.
2. Metropolitan Alternative Housing Corporation - will construct 18 apartments in Kent County, which will afford a great measure of independence to severely handicapped individuals. The loan amount is \$642,600.00.
3. Clarksville Senior Housing, Inc. - will construct a 24-unit housing development for seniors in the community of Ionia. This facility is designed to serve seniors in a non-metropolitan area. The dollar amount is \$856,800.00.

Several small Kentucky towns will soon have a "low-tech, low-cost" way to meet water quality standards for sewage effluents, reports *International Wildlife* magazine. How? ... By an artificial wetland. The man-made wetland, which is being designed by the National Wildlife Federation and the Tennessee Valley Authority, will filter sewage effluents - and at the same time increase wildlife habitat.

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We would like to express our love and appreciation to our family and friends for all of their support, acts of love and kindness shown to us during the short and precious lifetime of our "Special" son & brother, Christopher.

A special thank-you to Rev. William Amundsen for all of his prayers, guidance, hospital visits and beautiful services. First United Methodist "Women for the luncheon, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lake, Lake Funeral Home in Saranac.

Also, we want Dr. Lacina, Dr. Stockinger, the nurses on Peds and Peds ICU at Buterworth Hospital to know how much we appreciated the loving care they gave our little Angel.

God Bless each and everyone one of you. Although Christopher was only 9 months and 2 days young - his love and memories will live forever. Fred, Deb and April Peasley P46

Good Work

Lowell Athletic Boosters, friends and a number of students, both Middle School and High School, provided much needed assistance in keeping the flow of traffic and parking under control at Fallasburg Fall Festival. The weekend went a lot smoother thanks to their help. The Boosters thank all these special people. NC46

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In Memory of Deborah Kay Hoag, who was taken from us 17 years ago September 27, 1968.

When loved one's go ahead of us, It's hard to say good-bye, Blessed are the weak for they shall inherit the earth, Blessed are the Peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God. Sadly missed and not forgotten, Mom & Dad

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parking lot. The turbines were left at the site when the Mill was razed in the early 1960's. Through a combined effort of the King Milling Co., The Lowell Area Arts Council, Michigan Council for the Arts and the Greater Grand Rapids Arts Council, this permanent display was made possible.

Tracing its roots back to the Forest Mill, the King Milling Co. was honored last year as the oldest continually operated business in Kent and Allegan Counties.

These turbines are almost identical to turbines that are still in use today at the King Milling Co. The water driven turbines still generate about 15% of the power used to grind flour at the mill. The turbines are positioned upright in a vertical tube called a flume. Water is directed from a holding pond, down a mill race to the flume. As it passes by the turbine, the turbine spins. The more water directed past the turbine, the more power is generated.

"These turbines were not the original ones installed in 1844, and were probably added in the 1880's or 1890's," said Brian Doyle of the King Milling Co. They were removed, and re-installed in 1937 after a washout at the mill. When installed, the turbines are mounted on a bearing made of a special African wood called lignum-vitae. It is a very heavy, oily wood that will last for years while submerged. The bearings in the current King Milling turbines have been in place since they were installed in 1937.

A bronze plaque commemorating the site will be mounted on a large stone that has been placed near the turbines.

"Main Street", cont'd.

FALLSBURG FESTIVAL SHOWN ON CHANNEL 2

Highlights of the Fallburg Fall Festival will be shown on Lowell's own Channel 2 station, on these following dates: Wed., October 2 at 7:00 P.M.; Thurs., October 3 at 9:00 A.M.; Fri., October 4 at 5:00 P.M.; Sat., October 5 at 9:00 A.M. and Sun., October 6 at 12:30 P.M.

Also showing on Channel 2 will be the Lowell Red Arrows vs. Forest Hills football game on Saturday, October 5 at 10:00 A.M.

ATTENTION LOWELL MERCHANTS

The Lowell Police Department will hold a seminar on bad checks and the procedure that merchants must follow to assist in processing this type of complaint.

This seminar will take place at City Hall, Tuesday, October 8, 1985 at 7:00 A.M. The police would appreciate the owner of each retail business in Lowell or a designated representative to be present at this time.

DID YOU KNOW ... ?

... a concerned group of citizens has put together an excellent booklet to help people within the Lowell School District better understand how they might help the energy problem within our buildings? It is available through area business or by calling 897-8415.

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OFF THE BLOTTER

Arrested and arraigned in 63rd District Court this past week by Lowell officers was George Hicks of Grand Rapids on charges of failure to return rental property, belonging to the "Front Row Video" store on West Main Street.

Involved in a property damage accident Thursday morning, September 26, on Main & Monroe Streets was Priscilla Lussmyer, 58 of Lowell. Lussmyer struck the rear of a car driven by Mary Wright, 40, also of Lowell.

David Swearingen, 19, of Lowell was cited by Lowell officers for leaving the scene of a property damage accident. The citation was the result of an accident which occurred early Tuesday morning, September 24. Swearingen struck a telephone pole on Main near Smith Street.

A car owned by Jean Bradshaw of Lowell received minor damage when it was backed into by a vehicle driven by a 16 year old juvenile. The Bradshaw car was parked on Foreman near Riverside Drive Friday evening, September 27.

Receiving an appearance ticket to 63rd District Court on charges of Trespassing this past week was Roger Watters, Jr., 17, of Lowell. A 15 year old juvenile was also cited into Probate Court on the same charges.

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