

# The Grand Valley Ledger

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## Chamber publishes brochure promoting Lowell

The Lowell Chamber of Commerce recently published 10,000 copies of a sixteen panel brochure promoting Lowell. The piece is printed in two colors on a quality matte finish paper. It folds down to a convenient size that fits into a display rack or a standard number 10 envelope.

Former Chamber President Jerry Patton spearheaded the project. "This is something that

the community has needed for a long, long time," Patton said. "We've got a great little city here, and we need to blow our horn about it," Patton added.

The brochure touts Lowell as the "Best Kept Secret In Western Michigan" on its cover. The back panel shows Lowell's location on a map that includes Michigan, and portions of Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana and

Ohio. When opened one fold there is a thumbnail description of the community titled "Our Community At A Glance." When opened another fold, the reader sees a map of the area depicting highlights such as the covered bridges, various parks, golf courses, and arrows indicating driving times to such attractions as Lake Michigan, the State Capitol, Grand Rapids, Kent County International Airport, etc. These panels also list the recreational facilities available to the public.

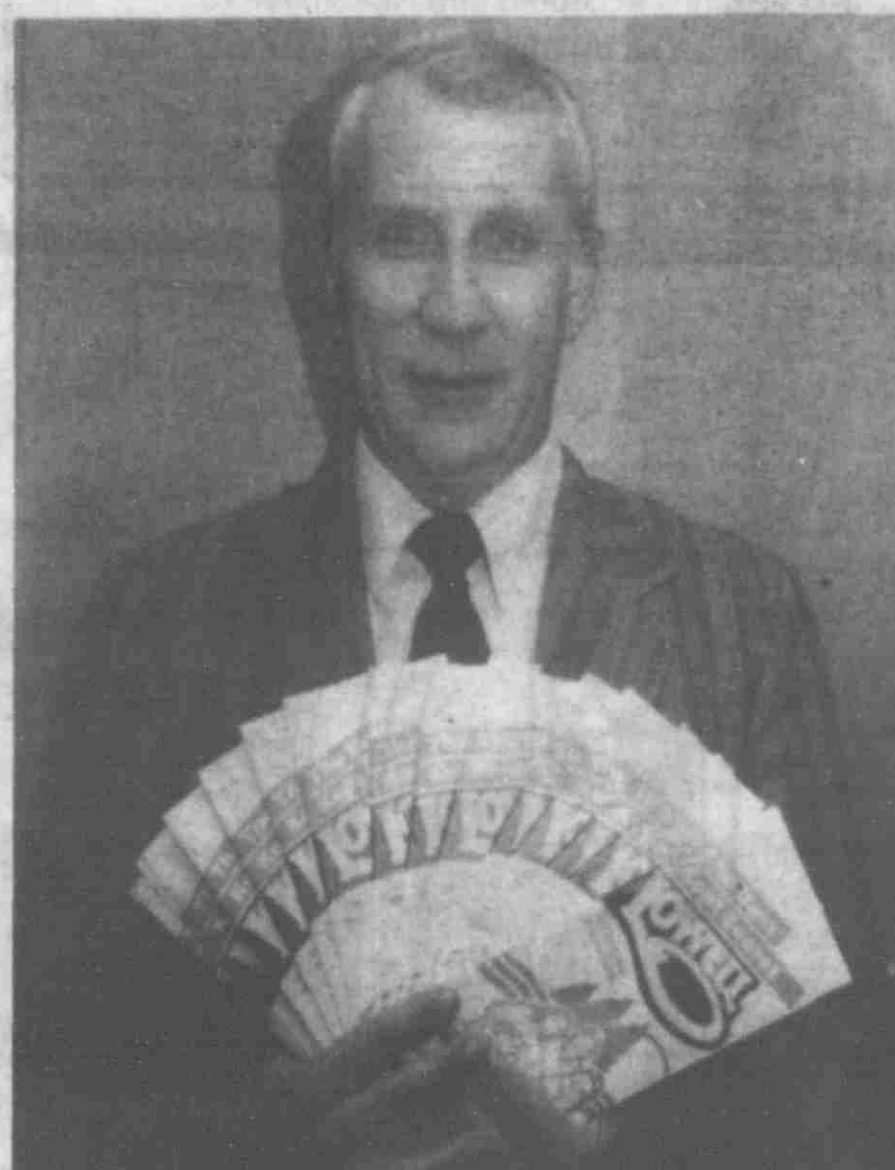
When opened one more time, the reader comes to the eight panel back side of the 15" x 18" brochure. The panels are categorized as: City Government, Business, Industry, Organizations, Churches, Schools, Recreation and Activities. Each panel includes a photograph, a piece of artwork and several paragraphs about its title.

The brochure was designed to not date itself too quickly. No specific numbers, names or details were used to describe what the current tax base is, who the mayor is or how many people are

employed by a certain business. The brochure should remain an effective tool for promoting Lowell for the next several years.

The artwork and layout for the brochure was provided by Pelz Art and Design Service of Lowell. The copy for the brochure was written by Roger Brown, editor and publisher of the Grand Valley Ledger. The brochure was printed by the Grand Valley Ledger.

Copies are available at several locations around town, such as the Lowell Area Arts Council Center, City Hall and The Grand Valley Ledger. Should you be in a position to help distribute the brochures, please contact one of the above sources for a handful or box full. Realtors, employers interviewing new employees, ministers welcoming new parishioners and anyone dealing with tourists to the area are all good examples of people who can get these brochures into the hands of those who might be interested in moving to, shopping in, or just visiting our community.



Former Lowell Chamber of Commerce President, Jerry Patton displays a few copies of a recently published brochure which touts the positive aspects of living, working and playing in Lowell.



### PRE-HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE IS TONIGHT!!

Several Lowell merchants are staging a Pre-Holiday Open House Tonight, Wednesday, November 6. The merchants are offering a full 20% Discount on all in stock merchandise from 6:00 until 10:00 P.M. There are a few exceptions, and you should check an ad in this edition for details. In all there are 13 businesses participating in the event. They are: Front Row Video, Straw Basket Collections, Tee-Jay's Family Clothing, Cousins' Cards & Gift Shoppe, Lowell Waterbeds, Lambert Variety, Heritage Meat Market, Pfaller's Riverfront Clothing, Modern Mini-Lab & Camera, Hinkley Drug Store, Curtis Cleaners and The Afterdeck Restaurant. These merchants invite you to come out Wednesday evening and Save, Save, Save!

### NEW JAYCEES CHAPTER MAY BE FORMING

There is a movement afoot to organize a new JayCee Chapter here in Lowell. The Lowell JayCees disbanded earlier this year, citing problems in attracting members as the cause. Jim Lantto, a Director of the 120 member Wyoming Chapter told us that there will be an informal meeting at the Lowell Lanes on Wednesday, November 6 at 7:30 P.M. Lantto said that the Wyoming Chapter is interested in sponsoring a new chapter here, and will work directly with the membership during the critical first year. Lantto says that the Wyoming Chapter has sponsored about eight new chapters over recent years, and none have failed. He noted the Byron Center Chapter which became the number two rated chapter for its size in the nation just two years after it was sponsored by the Wyoming Chapter.

JayCees are open to young persons age 18 to 35 who want to better themselves while serving their community. Lantto said that it takes at least 20 members to start a chapter, and he already has 10 people interested in a new Chapter here in Lowell. Those who can not attend the meeting, but want more information, should call the Wyoming JayCee Hotline at 532-0804.

### SHOWBOAT MEETING

The Lowell Showboat Board of Directors will meet Thursday, November 7 at 7:30 in Lowell City Hall. The board will discuss an upcoming project aimed at thanking WCUZ for their help with past fund-raising projects. The board will also be discussing the possibility of staging a Showboat in 1986. Anyone in the area interested in helping to plan, produce and promote a 1986 Showboat should please try to attend. The Showboat Board is very much interested in hearing YOUR ideas. Financially, things look favorable for a continuation of the famous Lowell Showboat. The corporation's debts are all but paid off, and there is a small nest egg that could be used to get the ball rolling toward a show in 1986. If it's going to happen, it's going to take community support. If you are interested in helping in any way, please attend this important meeting.

### VETERAN'S DAY

At the eleventh hour, of the eleventh day of the eleventh month of 1918, the big guns fell silent and an armistice was declared in the war that would come to be known as World War I. Sixty-seven years later we still recognize November 11 as the end of the "war to end all wars". It's more than just another day that the Post Office is closed, it's a day when we should take time out to reflect on the sacrifices made by the veteran's of this country, and throughout the free world who fought to keep us free.

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## Neighbors bristle at variance request

A zoning variance request from Jack Fonger met with some criticism from neighbors of the property in question. The Lowell City Council, of which Fonger is a member brought up the request in a public hearing. Acting as Zoning Board of Appeals, the group heard City Manager explain Fonger's request.

Fonger owns a vacant lot in a zoned commercial district with 68' fronting on Main Street just east of the Patton-JRB Insurance Agency. He wants to build a 25' X 50' commercial building to be used either for office space or a florist shop. His site plan included parking space for 14 cars, 1-1/2 more than required by the city ordinance. The variance re-

quest asked that the building be allowed to within three feet of the east lot line, seven feet less than the required side lot clearance.

Gerald Patton, owner of the Patton-JRB Agency protested the variance request. Patton explained that he felt such a variance would set a bad precedent for others wanting to build commercial buildings on small lots. Patton's neighbors to the north also expressed a concern. Drs. James Lang and Paul Gauthier submitted a letter protesting the variance. They are also opposed to a commercial building on such a small lot, and indicated in their letter that they felt the project would clutter the neighborhood.

Roger Odell, who owns a two-family rental unit just east of Fonger's property, showed up just in time to voice his opinion. Odell said he definitely felt that a commercial building in such close proximity to his property would be a detriment, and would have a negative impact on his property value.

Quada reminded Odell that his rental property was actually in non-conformance with the area's commercial zoning, and suggested the Odell's property might be more valuable as commercial rather than residential.

Councilman Phil Schneider made a motion that the issue be presented to the Planning Com-

mission for review. The motion was seconded and approved. The Planning Commission will re-view the issue at their regular meeting at 7:30 on Monday, November 25.

## Halloween Contest



This shifty looking charcter was one of the winner's in last week's Halloween Costume Contest until we discovered that he was just a dummy. This presidential look-alike was propped up in the front office of Dr. Robert Reagan's dentist office keeping the receptionist company. Look for five pages of photos and a list of our winners beginning on page 19 of this issue.

**STRAND Theatre**  
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**Obituaries**

**HARTMAN** - Larry D. David (Alice) Walter of Saranac Hartman, aged 69, passed away at his residence, Sunday, from also of Saranac; three brothers; Ionia. He was a retired Grand Rapids GM Diesel Employee. dren. There will be no funeral He is survived by his wife, services. Visitation was at the Louise; two daughters, Mrs. Lake Funeral Home in Saranac.

Clark Douglas Fletcher, aged 73, of 927 Hudson Street, Lowell, passed away Friday, November 1, 1985, at Butterworth Hospital. He was born the eldest of five children to Lynn and Hazel Fletcher on Oct. 15, 1912 and attended Lowell Schools until his family was hard hit by the Depression and he had to find work. He worked for Bendix and later served in the U.S. Navy as a Chief Electrician's Mate during WWII and was later stationed at Yokosuka, Japan. After the war, he attended Frys School of Refrigeration and became a master electrician. He ran his own business, Fletcher Electric, out of his home for nearly 40 years. He was a member of the Lowell First Congregational Church where he served as a trustee for many years. He was a past member of the Lions Club, a YMCA trustee, and also belonged to the Lowell Masonic

Lodge #90 and the American Legion Clark-Ellis Post #152. Following his retirement, Clark enjoyed driving around town for numerous coffee breaks with his friends until his sight began to fail. He is survived by his wife, Ona; daughter and son-in-law, Marlene and Glenn Zaetsch of Imlay City, MI sister, Barbara Davis of Lowell, brother, Alvin (Gladys) Fletcher of Lowell; sister, Dorothy (Russell) Sible of Lake Odessa; darling grandson, Kenneth Zaetsch, and nine nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a brother, Kenneth. Funeral Services were held Tuesday at the Roth-Gerst Chapel with Rev. David Hagens officiating. Interment was in Oakwood Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Lowell YMCA.



Clark Douglas Fletcher

**HOT LUNCH MENU  
WEEK OF NOVEMBER 11, 1985**

- MONDAY**  
Ravioli or Italian spaghetti, cabbage salad or carrot sticks, French bread w/p-nut butter, fruit or pudding or jello, milk.
- TUESDAY**  
Cheeseburgers or hot dogs, tossed salad and pickles, buttered corn or carrots, assorted fruits, bars or cookies, milk.
- WEDNESDAY**  
Breaded chicken or swiss steak, mashed potatoes or rice and gravy, steamed green beans or beets, whole wheat rolls or bread and honey butter, jello w/whip or fruit, milk.
- THURSDAY**  
Tacos or burritos, Jonny cake w/honey, salad or veggie, choice of fresh or canned fruit, milk.
- FRIDAY**  
Grilled cheese or tuna salad sandwiches, potato chips and pickles, soup or salad or bake beans, chilled fruit or jello, cookies or bars, milk.  
Price of lunches to students includes milk. Elementary 85¢, Middle and Senior High 90¢.

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**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.

**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.

**LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE**  
canned goods or other non perishable foods can be left at the rear of the Club Room for the Christmas baskets.

**THE GOLDEN SWINGERS**  
will meet at 6:00 p.m. on November 11, 1985 for Thanksgiving Pot-luck. Turkey, dressing and potatoes will be furnished. Bring other dishes and desserts to pass. Meeting will be held at the High School Home Economics Room. Mrs. Wellman will entertain us with her accordian.

**NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY** Faculty Exhibition will be at the Lowell Area Arts Council Center Gallery, 149 S. Hudson Street, Lowell October 20 to November 10. This exhibit features the works of Michael Cinelli, Wayne Francis, John Hubbard, Diane Kordich, William Leeie, Wolfram Niessen, James Quirk, John Rauch, Dennis Staffne, Dale Wedig, and Marvin Zehnder. Gallery hours are 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sundays during this show.

**THURS., NOV. 7:** The Vergennes Co-Operative Club will meet at Schneider Manor at one o'clock. Hostesses: June Wittenbach, Marion Yates, Gladys Thelen, Elva Watson. Sponsor: Anna Booth. Program Chairman, Marcia Wilcox will present "Preservation of Family Heirlooms".

**NOV. 7 & 8:** A crafts and bake sale will be held at the Lowell Senior Neighbors Center on Thursday and Friday from 10 A.M. until 4 P.M. each day. Donations are welcomed.

**FRI., NOV. 8:** The regular meeting of Cyclamen Chapter #94 O.E.S. will be held at 8:00 P.M. in the Lowell Masonic Temple.

**SAT., NOV. 9:** Dinner auction, Meri Rufner family. Roast pork & beef w/trimming 4-7. Auction begins at 7 - cash donations or any items for auction. Call 693-2414 or 693-2160. Pick up service available.

**MON., NOV. 11:** The Showboat Garden Club will meet at 7:30 P.M. at the Congregational Church. Linda Hamp will hold a workshop on making silk flower corsages. This is open to visitors but a fee to

cover materials will be charged to non-members. Plans will be finalized for the Fineis Memorial Planter to be constructed on the Library YMCA site.

**TUES., NOV. 12:** The Evening Club will meet at the home of Dolores Dey at 8 P.M. The program will be a demonstration on gift wrapping by Mickey Pome and Debbie Willet.

**WED., NOV. 13:** The Lowell

Womens club will meet at Schneider Manor, Ann Booth, sponsor. A salad luncheon will be served at 12:00, Iva Pullen in charge. A mini-report on Education will be given by honorary High School Senior members, Michelle Schick and Carrie Richards. The program "Sisters of the Third World, Women's Opportunities and Problems in Developing Countries", will be presented by the Reverend Ethel V. Stears from Trinity United

Methodist Church in Grand Rapids. Last call for mittens and caps for Santa Claus Girls. A few recipe books are available for Christmas giving.

**WED., NOV. 13:** The Snow UMW will serve a Roast Beef and Pork dinner at the Snow Christian Center, 3211 Snow Ave. beginning at 5:30. Public invited.

**NOV. 14, 15 & 16:** Arts and Craft Fair sponsored by

Vesta Chapter - Order of the Eastern Star, Ada Masonic Temple, Ada - MI.

**SAT., NOV. 16:** The Annual Fashion Show at the Belding Coverillage Mall will be held starting at 1 P.M. Admission is FREE.

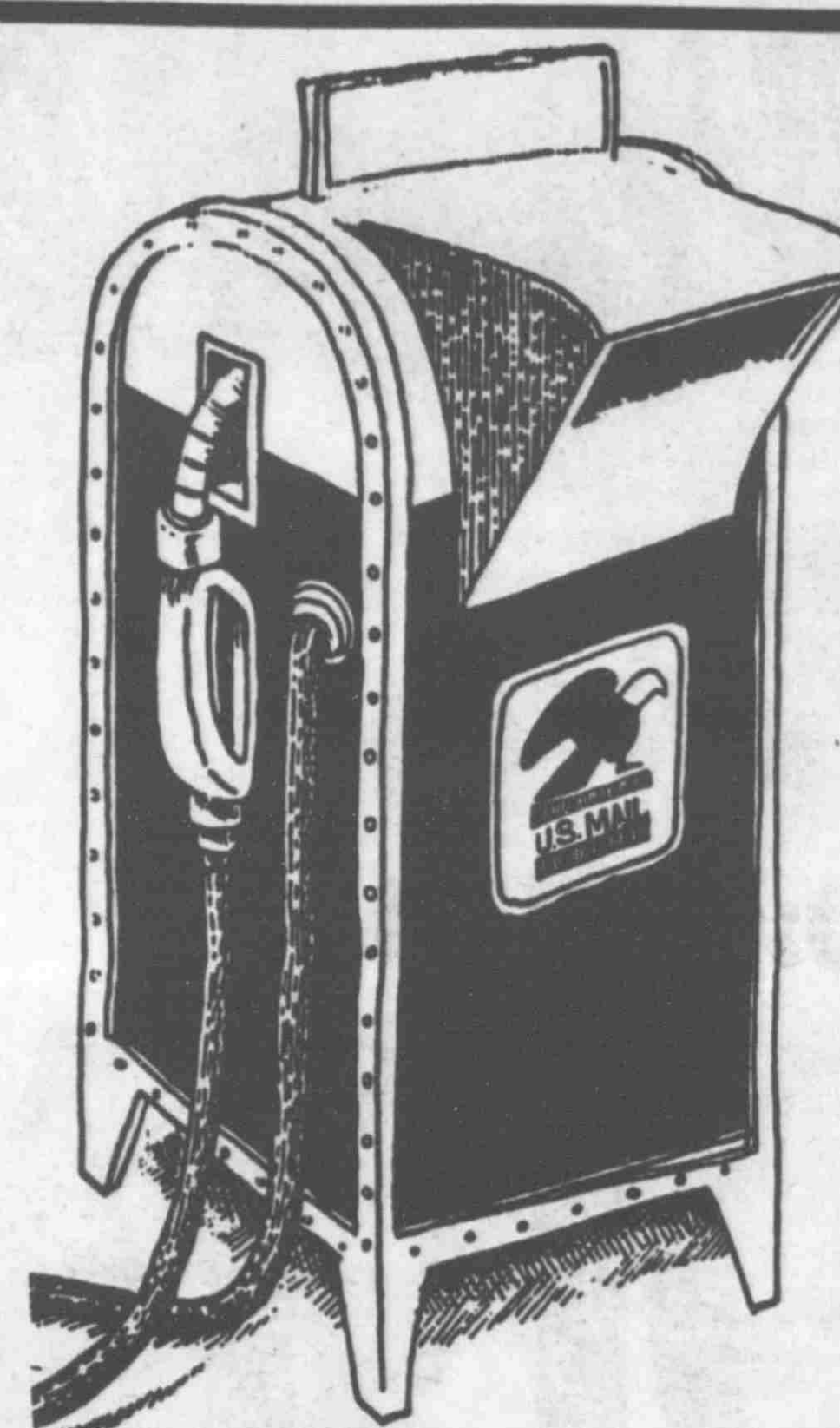
**THE LOWELL COMMUNITY BAND** will rehearse the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7:30 P.M. in the Lowell High School band room.

**EVERY THIRD THURSDAY** Pack Meeting, Cub Scout Pack 3188 will meet at Run-ciman School, beginning at 7:00 p.m. This is a family event. Future activities will be discussed and awards presented.

**THE RECYCLE CENTER** at Eberhard's parking lot is open for bottles, tin cans, aluminum, newspaper, and brown paper bags.

**LOWELL YMCA  
PROGRAM DIRECTOR  
POSITION**

20-24 Hours/wk. to supervise youth sports, pre-school program, gymnastics and fitness programs. Job description available upon request. Applications accepted thru November 15. LOWELL YMCA, 323 W. MAIN, LOWELL 49331 OR CALL 897-8445



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**NEW LOBBY HOURS:**  
Mon. Through Thurs. . . 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.  
Friday . . . . . 9 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.  
Saturday . . . . . 9 A.M. - Noon

**DRIVE-UP HOURS:**  
Mon. through Thurs. . . 8:30 A.M. - 5 P.M.  
Friday . . . . . 8:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.  
Saturday . . . . . 8:30 A.M. - 1 P.M.

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<b>Lambert Variety</b> 123 W. Main Lowell 897-9918	<b>Heritage Meat Market</b> 1400 W. Main Lowell 897-7049 <small>Specific items only</small>	<b>Pfaller's Clothing</b> 103 E. Main Lowell 897-9411	<b>Modern Mini-Lab &amp; Camera</b> 106 W. Main Lowell 897-5606	<b>Hinkley Drug Store</b> 219 E. Main Lowell 897-6818 <small>Cards, Plush animals &amp; Timex Watches</small>	<b>Curtis Cleaners</b> 1410 W. Main Lowell 897-9000
		<b>After Deck Restaurant</b> Rivertown Mall 109 E. Main Lowell 897-8401 <small>*Except Drinks</small>			



## Two become one



Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bergy

On July 6, 1985 Thomas Lee Bergy and Christine Marie Baird were united in Holy Matrimony by Rev. Roger Van Donkelaar on the front porch of their new log home. The couple arrived by helicopter minutes prior to their 7:00 P.M. wedding.

The bride wore her Mother-in-Law's (Sondra Bergy) wedding dress with bridesmaids in pink dresses with white lace trim made by Judy Baird. There were: Mrs. Carol Leyman, Matron of Honor and sister of the bride; Ms. Bonnie Baird, sister of the bride and Mrs. Linda Phillips, friend of the bride. All carried white lace fans with a silk flower arrangement of white, pink and burgandy flowers made by the bride.

The groom wore a white tuxedo and tailcoat with Groomsman in silver tuxedos and tailcoat. Scott Phillips stood as Bestman, with Mike Bergy, brother of the Groom and Steve Thomet, friend of the Groom. Tim Bergy and David Baird were the ushers.

Parents of the couple are Allan and Judy Baird and Donald and Sondra Bergy. Doug & Ginny Ferris presided as Master and Mistress of Cerimonies.

The reception was held at 6548 Hastings Road, the home of Tom and Chris Bergy. Informal dress was the attire for the pig roast, cooked by Herb Pett and Jim McCaul. Music provided by Gerald and Elisa Dupres.

After a honeymoon trip to Beaver Island, to the cabin of Mike and Pam Meaney, Tom and Chris returned to their new home.

## Happy Birthday

**NOVEMBER 6:** Chris Benjamin, Alicia Dupres, Jake Ver-spoor, Cathy Kehoe, Laurie Mercer, Philip Schneider, Sr., Tom Moore.

**NOVEMBER 7:** Bonnie Heeringa, Carrie Wingieir, Charlene Butter, Terry Raab.

**NOVEMBER 8:** Sabie Baker, Dick Rutherford, Jim Dumas, Nancy B. Schug, David Korte, Sharon Hines, Sharon Keim.

**NOVEMBER 9:** Frank Meisner, Todd Swanson, Doris Ellis, Stanley Galbreath, Kurt Blasher.

## In the Service

Air Force Airman Ronald T. Raymore, son of Carol Averill of 209 Grant, and Ronald L. Raymor of 520 Avery, both of Lowell, Michigan, has arrived for duty with the 43rd Strategic Wing, Andersen Air Force Base, Guam.

Raymor, a security specialist, was previously assigned at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

He is a 1984 graduate of Lowell High School.

Army Pvt. 1st Class John E. Davison, son of Pat J. and Tom D. Long of 5557 McKendry, Saranac, Michigan, has arrived for duty with the Soldier Support Center, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.

Davison, a military police specialist, was previously assigned in West Germany.

He is a 1982 graduate of Saranac High School.

Michael Q. Purcell, son of Patricia A. Sturgis and stepson of Richard J. Sturgis of 10855 Woodbush S.E., Lowell, Michigan, has been promoted in the U.S. Army to the rank of specialist four.

Purcell is a portable air de-

fense system crew member in West Germany with the 3rd Infantry Division.

He is a 1982 graduate of Lowell Senior High School.

Navy Lt. Gary T. Harper, whose wife, Laura is the daughter of Betty Ingraham of 3379 Montcalm Ave., Lowell, Michigan recently received the Navy Achievement Medal.

He received the decoration while serving as the Nuclear Safety Officer of Attack Squadron-147 embarked aboard the aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk from May 6 to June 6, 1985 during workup deployments in the Pacific Ocean.

A 1975 graduate of Sequin High School, Sequin, TX, and a 1980 graduate of Texas A & M University, College Station, TX, with a Bachelor of Science degree, he joined the Navy in August 1980.

## Golden Wedding Anniversary

Roy and Ella Thompson, 11931 Riverside Drive, Lowell, will observe their Golden Wedding Anniversary November 10. The occasion will be celebrated with an Open House from 2 to 6 P.M. at the VFW Hall, Main Street, Lowell. The presence of family and friends is gift enough; no others, please. The Thompsons children are Jerry and Helen Thompson, Jim and Peg Thompson, Jack and Sharon Thompson, and David and Joanne Flugler. They have 15 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

## Wolfe/Phillips wed, Sept. 7



Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Phillips

Sheila Deneen Wolfe and Gordon Keith Phillips were united in marriage in a September 7 wedding at the Snow United Methodist Church with Rev. Allen Wittrup presiding.

The Bride is the daughter of Wilma Wolfe of Lowell and John Wolfe of Grand Rapids. The Groom's parents are Robert and Florence Phillips of Ada. The Maid of Honor was Debbie Malone, a friend of the Bride. Bridesmaids were Kim Strouse, a cousin of the Bride and Stacie Wolfe, the Bride's sister.

The Best Man was Donny Shores, a friend of the Groom. Groomsman were Shan Wolfe, a brother of the Bride and David Phillips, a brother of the Groom.

The Bride is a graduate of Lowell High School. The Groom graduated from Forest Hills Central. The Bride is employed by Newell Manufacturing in Lowell. The Groom is employed at Vennen Chrysler, Dodge and Plymouth, also in Lowell. The couple resides in Kentwood.

A reception was held at the Double R Ranch in Smyrna.



## Homespun Devotions

By Pauline Spray

He that loveth not knoweth not God... (1 John 4:8).

Most people have at least one distinguishing characteristic.

Some have a profusion of curly hair or a stubborn cowlick. Others have large eyes, or exceedingly soulful ones.

Birthmarks and scars also provide a means of identification. I could always identify my mother should the need arise, for she bears the scar of a horse's hoof on her leg - the result of a childhood accident.

The Christian also bears a distinguishing characteristic. God is love. When Christians manifest genuine love and concern for one another, they are exemplifying Him; they are testifying to His indwelling presence. No garb, no sanctimonious air, no ritual, no liturgy can take the place of love within the individual heart. But this love for others comes only after the human heart has first been filled and empowered with divine love.

True love for one another cannot be concealed. Love is "the distinguishing mark" of the Christian.

Prayer: Dear God, Thou art full of compassion. Fill me and empower me with Thy Spirit. Make love "the distinguishing mark" of my life. Amen.

Love divine, all loves excelling,

Joy of heaven to earth come down;

Fix in us Thy humble dwelling;

All Thy faithful mercies crown.

CHARLES WESLEY

## Open House

A 25th Wedding Anniversary was celebrated by Mart and Mary Alderink on October 21, 1985. Their children Mike and Teresa Alderink, Patty Alderink and Julie Alderink will hold an Open House in their honor on November 9, 1985 from 5 - 9 P.M. at 9485 Cascade Road.

## Postal service advises: Wrap it right

Lowell Postmaster Charlie Doyle has half a dozen "dos" and "don'ts" for customers who want to be sure their holiday parcels get delivered.

**Don't box yourself in -- use the right container.** Boxes must be adequate in size for the items being mailed and provide enough space for cushioning material. They must also be strong enough to hold the weight of

their contents. If the box has adequate space for an address (cross out confusing information), it is not necessary to wrap it in paper. If you use paper, however, be sure it is equivalent to the kind used in grocery bags (60-pound weight). Fiberboard tubes and similar long packages are acceptable if their length does not exceed 10 times their girth.

**Give yourself some cushion.**

Cushioning absorbs and distributes shock and vibration. Examples of good cushioning materials are foamed plastics, corrugated cardboard and loose fill material such as polystyrene, popcorn or shredded newspaper. Loose fill material should completely cover the items being mailed.

**Close parcels up right.** Use tape, not string or rope, to close

packages. Cellophane and masking tape should not be used. Pressure sensitive, filament-reinforced tape is recommended and should be wrapped around the parcel at least twice.

**Addresses are important.** You can spend a fortune on wrapping, but your package will never reach its destination if it is not addressed right. Print or type the address clearly on one side of

the parcel only. It is also a good idea to put the name and address inside the package in case the address label comes off.

**Don't mail your pet elephant.** Packages must not exceed 70 pounds. They must also be at least 3-1/2 inches wide and 5 inches long, and total length and girth cannot exceed 108 inches.

**Don't overinsure.** If your par-

cel is valuable, you might want to insure it, but insure it only for its actual value. The Postal Service pays claims based on the actual value of lost or damaged items and not a higher insured amount.

"If you follow these six suggestions, it'll help us get your package where it's going on time, in good shape," Postmaster Doyle said.

Another in a series of informational messages concerning your phone service.

# We're trying to make things simple for you again. Starting with your new phone bill.



When all those changes happened in the telephone business a while back, some things got more complicated. Including your phone bill. Ever since, we've been looking for ways to simplify it, so it's easier to read and understand. And after a lot of research and listening hard to customers like you, we think we've done it.

For starters, we've cut out some duplication, so the new bill you'll be getting could have as few as three or four pages.

From now on, you'll just mail in the *Payment Page* with your payment. The *Payment Page* is the top page of your bill. We've done away with the computer card you used to have to send in. (If you pay in person, you should bring the whole bill with you.) The Total Amount Due will be easy to find because it's shaded in a box on the *Payment Page*.

You'll find the new appearance and wording of the bill help make it a whole lot easier to understand.

We think you'll agree that a confusing phone bill is just one more little problem none of us wants to muddle through. That's why we hope our new shorter version will be easier for you.



## ATTEND SERVICES

<p><b>ALTON BIBLE CHURCH</b> Lincoln Lake Ave. and Three Mile Rd. Lowell 897-5648</p> <p>Sunday School 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship 11:10 A.M. Family Bible Hour 7:00 P.M. Wednesday Ministries 7:00 P.M. *Applying God's Word to Daily Life and God's Love to Hurting Lives*</p>	<p><b>MISSIONARY CHURCH</b> 10501 Settlewood Ph. 897-7185</p> <p>Sunday School 9:45 A.M. Worship Service 11:00 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Prayer and Bible Study-7:30 P.M. Wednesdays</p> <p>GLENN H. MARKS Foreman Road 897-9110</p>	<p><b>ADA CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH</b> 7152 Bradford St., S.E. 676-1698 REV. BRIAN P. BOSSCHER</p> <p>Morning Worship 9:30 A.M. Sunday School 11:00 A.M. Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.</p>	<p><b>ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH</b> 7227 Thomapple River Dr. 676-1032 Pastor: JERRY L. JOHNSON</p> <p>Morning Worship 10:00 A.M. Sunday School 11:20 A.M. Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.</p> <p>WE INVITE YOU TO MAKE THIS COMMUNITY CHURCH YOUR CHURCH HOME. WELCOME TO ALL</p>
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## Lowell's Equestrian Team places 4th in State Finals

On Sunday, October 27, the Lowell Equestrian Team coached by Carrie Pelon earned a fourth place in the Class A M.I.H.A. State Finals held in Mason.

In their first year of competition as members of the Michigan Interscholastic Horsemanship Association, Lowell competed with eight other Class A teams from around the state. South Lyons jumped out to an early lead which was never challenged. However, a battle was staged between Lowell, Mason, and Dexter as each traded second, third, and fourth place throughout the competition, only to have Romeo come from behind to take third place away from Lowell in the last event.

Lowell was blanked in saddle seat fitting and showing but came back in the second class, western fitting and showing, with Rob Huver placing second and Melanie Nelson third out of the 34 entered in the event. This put Lowell in second place with a one point lead over Mason and Dexter. With 33 competitors in the remaining three saddle seat classes Lowell placed second keeping Lowell in second place behind the eventual state champion, South Lyons. However, Lowell's inability to score in the remaining three saddle seat classes dropped Lowell to third and then fourth place. In hunt seat equitation with 35 riders entered, Lowell started to come back with Rob Huver taking sec-

ond place and Dawn Thompson fourth place. Hunt seat bareback had 29 riders with Jennifer Cosgrove picking up a third place to continue the fight to stay in the standings. Lowell was blanked in equitation over fences despite a clean run by Amy Versluis. In western equitation, Lowell's Melanie Nelson placed fourth putting Lowell back in the running only three points out of third place. In western bareback, Dawn Thompson received seventh place. Moving on to western riding, Kellie Nelson picked up a fifth place with Rob Huver placing seventh. Up to this point Dexter and Mason had been trading second and third in a see-saw battle with Lowell within striking distance. Then

Lowell's Kelleigh Kinsey picked up a fourth in trail. After the trail class, Lowell was still in fourth place with the third, fourth, and fifth place teams separated by only five points. Dexter, however, began to move decidedly into second place. Rick Winger went all out in the flag race and picked up a second place to put Lowell into third place. Lowell did not manage to place in the cloverleaf or speed and action but still held on to third place by one point. Everything came down to the final event, the two-man relay. Despite a seventh place finish with Laura Finney and Wayne Osmolinski, Romeo edged Lowell out of third place by one point and into a fourth place tie with

Mason. Only two points separated the third, fourth, and fifth place teams. The final standings ended up with South Lyons in first, Dexter in second, Romeo in third, Lowell and Mason in fourth, Big Rapids and Midland Dow in fifth, Lakeshore in sixth, and Adrian in seventh. The team is extremely happy to have finished fourth in the

state in our first year of competition. The support given by parents, spectators, and patrons was greatly appreciated and was a great aid to our successful year. We would like to congratulate our graduating seniors Jennifer Cosgrove, Lori Dykehouse, Cindy Luehrs, Kellie Nelson, and Amy Versluis. Your talents will be missed as we eagerly await next fall's competition.

## Lowell kicks past Spring Lake in final game of the season

By Kurt Quiggle

Last Friday night the Lowell Red Arrows traveled to Spring Lake to play the Lakers for the final game of the High School regular season.

The torrential down pour, lasting throughout the game, made the field very muddy. That didn't stop the foot of Bob Essex, however. Essex's field goal came in the third quarter after a 59 yard drive that took 14 plays.

Eric Beechum of Spring Lake came into the game with over 1000 yds. But was only allowed 47 on 18 carries by Lowell's stifling defense.

Lowell's leading rusher in the game was Rich Johnson. After Mike Dumas received a rib in-

jury in the first half, Johnson took over at tailback and racked up quite a few yds. Thanks to the superb blocking of Lowell's offensive line. "Rich really got us pumped!" reported junior tackle Jim Johnson. "that just made us blow bigger holes," he added.

The Lakers only score came on the very last play of the game. With one second left on the clock, Mike Barnes took the snap on the goal line and boot legged out of the endzone. A safety was ruled giving Spring Lake two points.

Lowell came out on top 3-2. The Arrows' season record was upped to 7-2, while Spring Lake's was knocked to 5-4. Good job Arrows!



cozy corner

by Roger Brown

As you have probably noticed, the Ledger sponsored a Halloween costume contest among area businesses and it was a big success. I told the three judges, to whom I am eternally grateful, that if we began our rounds by 10:00 a.m., we should be done by lunch. My calculations were slightly off. I think we finished up at around four in the afternoon. I had no idea we would get the response that we did. I haven't counted them, but I'd bet we visited 25 to 30 businesses and took pictures of nearly 200 people in costume. An outstanding turnout. We're already talking about making it bigger and better next year.

Since this whole thing was basically my idea, I figured it would be only proper for the judges, my reporter and myself (the photographer) to be in appropriate attire as we made our rounds from business to business. Look for judges: Dave Davis from the Straw Basket, Joann Hale from Cousins' Cards & Gifts, Bob Pfaller from Pfaller's Riverfront Clothing; reporter Melinda D'Agostino and myself from the Ledger in the contest photos, and you can see for yourself what a wild crew we made. I would say that we were very appropriately dressed for the occasion. We were also quite a hit at the Afterdeck for lunch.

The funny thing about my "Father Time" costume, is that it in no way resembles the Revolutionary War soldier that I had planned to be right up until the evening before. I almost had to go dressed as myself, and really cause a stir.

As the holiday approached, I had procrastinated (what else is new) about rounding up my costume until the eleventh hour. The Saranac American Legion Post at one time had a pretty famous "Historical Color Guard". It was comprised of veterans dressed in either authentic or faithful reproductions of uniforms from every war the United States has been in. My father wore the uniform of a Continental Soldier, complete with white wig and tri-cornered hat. When I called my father the evening before Halloween to find out where the uniform was, he told me it had been stolen from the Legion Post. If anybody saw a Revolutionary War soldier on Halloween, please let me know. I know a few people who would like to fix him up with a new costume of black and white horizontal stripes.

So, I was stumped. It just so happened that I had run across a mask that I liked while in Grand Rapids that day. It was called a Mark Twain mask, but could easily be mistaken for Moses or "Father Time". I remembered an antique sickle that was in the warehouse at the Ledger that fit right in with the "Father Time" scheme. But, what about a robe? By the time I went to bed, I had a plan.

The next morning I put in a call to the King Milling Co., and Brian Doyle was able to fix me up with some burlap bags. I went from there to Big D Auto Trim, where Dale Dawson was kind enough to drop what he was doing and tailor a robe for me out of the burlap. I added a pair of beat up leather sandals as a final touch, and the costume was complete by 9:00 a.m.

I tested the intimidating costume by freaking out everybody at the Post Office while picking up our mail, and paying an impromptu visit to my wife at Attwood. Everybody at Attwood wanted to know who it was, and Terese said, "Can't you tell by my red face". Convinced that it was probably the most impressive costume I had ever come up with, I wore the thing throughout the day, greeted Trick or Treaters in that event, and ended up touring Tootsie's, Z's, Magoo's, Millie's, Flannigan's, etc. still later that evening. "Father Time" had a great day!

Who says procrastination isn't a virtue?

## "Capitol Column"

By State Senator Dick Posthumus



We've all heard a lot of horror stories about government spending; but the budget problems of the MESC's automation project are making some of those stories pale by comparison. And, the biggest problem of all is what to do about it.

The Senate Committee on Labor has been hearing testimony on the project for about six months now and the haze that surrounds the facts has lifted a little. A key factor in clearing the air has been the report of the Auditor General which implies that a series of mistakes by the Michigan Employment Security Commission in their management, accounting, implementation, and anticipated scope of the project resulted in massive cost overruns in their unemployment insurance automation project. But that doesn't do much to appease those who footed the bill, which grew from \$17 million to \$81.5 million over 5 years.

The bulk of the money involved comes from Michigan's Unemployment Insurance Solvency Tax enacted in 1982 on "negative balance" employers - those whose laid-off workers collect more in benefits than their employers pay into the fund. The employers and the Legislature would like to know how the original estimate presented by MESC jumped by almost \$65 million and why, as well as who was responsible. Those aren't easy questions to answer since the MESC has had two different directors since the project began and several different groups were responsible for overseeing the operation.

No one is arguing with the need to automate the agency's major function of handling the payment of benefits to unemployed workers. The scope of that job, in light of the employment problems in Michigan, requires something more efficient than millions of paper files. And, while it's an added irritation that the computer system seems to have more bugs than the manual filing system, some hitches are usual in a new system.

There is argument, though, over who should be paying the bill and over what action should be taken in the future to prevent this kind of catastrophe. As more and more of our society moves from the tradition of manual filing to computerized information networks, we should be prepared with guidelines which facilitate a smooth transition and reasonable accountability. The trick is to see that we learn from our past mistakes and prevent future problems before they happen.

The Department of Labor is even now in the process of automating the workers' compensation system, although they seem to be doing so with great caution in the light of the MESC's fiasco. That's wise, considering that some members of the Senate

"A free thinker is he who does not fear to go to the end of his thought."

Leon Blum

Contrary to popular folk wisdom, lightning does strike the same place twice. According to National Wildlife magazine, scientists believe that some areas have topography and wind-flow patterns that make them especially prone to lightning. In Florida, for instance, lightning repeatedly strikes bulges in the coastline, such as Cape Canaveral, where sea breezes converge.

are calling for an investigation of any criminal intent on the part of those who may have benefited from MESC's over-expenditures for hardware and services.

Demanding accountability from those responsible is only half the issue. The other half is seeing how we can prevent the same problem in the future and that will be a key priority in the Legislature in coming weeks.

## Craig James to join WOTV News Team

Dan Spaulding, News Director at WOTV, has announced that Meteorologist Craig James, will join the News 8 news team as Chief Meteorologist and Director of Weather Services. In making the announcement, Spaulding said, "I'm very pleased that Craig is joining the News 8 team. Actually, the word

"thrilled" is more like it. Craig's obvious devotion to bringing viewers highly accurate forecasts and his overall expertise will be invaluable as the News 8 team continues to deliver the best and most comprehensive television news product in West Michigan."

James' responsibilities will include the preparation and reporting of the News 8 weather forecasts for "Live at 5:30", and on the six and eleven o'clock newscasts Monday through Friday. Additionally, he will coordinate the overall efforts of WOTV's team of meteorologists. He replaces Gary Bazner, who is joining WOOD Radio in Grand Rapids.

on. I am happy that I will stay in West Michigan. Whether or not I continued at Channel 13, I think that the future growth of news in this market is going to be at TV 8. I am pleased that I will be part of it."

James, his wife, Marcie, and their three children, Nathan 15, Christopher 8-1/2, and Katherine 7, reside in Belmont, Michigan.

## American Red Cross holds CPR classes

The Kent County Red Cross is now making cardio-pulmonary resuscitation training (CPR) available during the day. Classes will be conducted at the Red Cross chapter building, 1050 Fuller, N.E., and will run on

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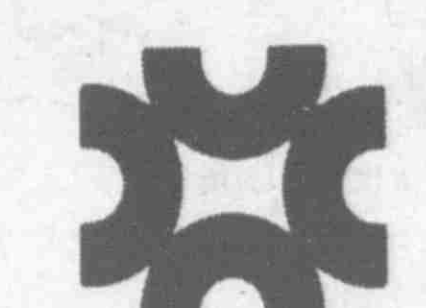
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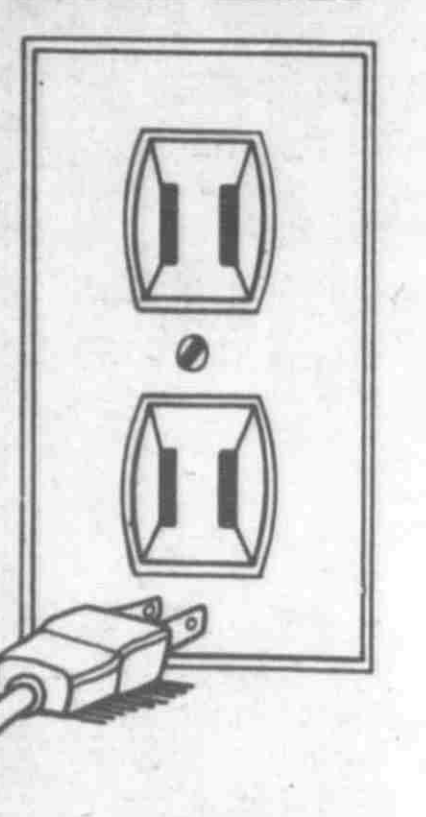
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### Camp deer licenses are available

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reminds hunters that the 1985 camp deer season will run from November 15-30, statewide. The fee for the resident and nonresident camp deer license is \$9.75 and can be purchased at any DNR District Office.

A camp deer license authorizes four or more licensed firearm deer hunters to apply, as a group, for one camp deer license for the taking of one deer with antlers at least three inches long.

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### Revenue sharing funds protected under legislation

Revenue sharing funds recently slashed by the Governor's veto and then reinstated through legislative negotiations would be permanently protected under legislation supported by State Senator Dick Posthumus (R-Lowell) and passed by the Senate yesterday. Senate Bill 415 would ensure all 73 eligible local units of government receive full revenue sharing funding from the state each year.

"Local units depend very heavily on the dollars they receive from revenue sharing,"

Posthumus said. "They deserve to operate with a stable, consistent formula."

Revenue sharing funds are determined by a state formula, based in large part on the size of local taxes. Senate Bill 415 was prompted by the Blanchard administration's decision last year to revise the state revenue sharing formula by not including special tax assessments. The special assessments, which had always been included as local tax effort, are levied for police and fire protection, and other special services. Without including local tax effort, revenue sharing allotments were slashed by nearly \$2 million. Under SB 415, though, those special assessments will be included in determining the amount of state revenue sharing funds a community receives.

In addition to altering the revenue sharing distribution formula, Blanchard vetoed legislation sponsored by Senate Republicans to restore to local units the money they would have lost under his plan.

"Although the Governor vetoed our legislation, we were successful in overriding his veto," Posthumus said. "After long negotiations, he has agreed to support our proposal."

The bill was passed on a 30-5 vote and now goes to the House for debate.

"I'm glad we were able to reach this agreement," Posthumus concluded. "The state has recognized special assessments as part of local tax effort for a decade, and with this bill, will do so by law in the years to come."

### The Bowling Corner

By Jay Michaels

Open bowling is a sure way to improve upon your league average. That's a rather simple statement, yet if you follow a few simple tips, open bowling really CAN improve your average. Years ago I used to open bowl just to see what kind of scores I could get. If I open bowled exceptionally well, I'd usually end up being pretty disappointed in my league play. Here's a couple helpful hints to improve your average while still having some fun during open play.

Work on your spares. My first ball I'll usually shoot at just the 10 pin, which has always given me problems. If you're having trouble with a particular spare, envision ONLY that spare is standing and shoot at it alone until you feel confident in converting it on a regular basis. After I'm warmed up, I play a little game I call Progressive Spares. In the first frame I shoot for just one pin in the rack, usually my old nemesis the 10 pin. If successful, the second frame I try to get only two pins down, the three in the third and four in the fourth and so on. It may sound easy, but try it some time and see how well you do. The game is designed to help you make spares and develop your accuracy.

Sure, strikes are an important part of your game, there's no doubt about it. But, consider this fact for a moment. If you make every spare, and never throw a strike, you'll still be averaging in the 180's. During open play, try to keep the ball "in play". Keep the ball around the head pin, which is considered "in play", and eventually your strikes will come.

Another hint is to experiment with different hand positions and lines during open play. Ladies, keep your thumb in the 10 o'clock starting position during your approach. There's a reason for this and it's fairly simple. A woman's arm, elbow, and shoulder aren't nearly as strong as a man's. In the thirty years I've been bowling, I've never seen a woman who could roll a ball like a man does. Because of the differences in physical make-up, you must follow this simple rule to become successful at this game. Another little hint is don't try to see how hard you can roll the ball. Surlyn coated pins (plastic) have a tendency to "fly", and with the heavier wood being used today, you need all the deflection your bowling ball can give you. And a slow rolling bowling ball will deflect a lot more than a fast moving "truck" will. After all, the whole object of this game is to see how many pins you can knock down, right?

Next week in The Bowling Corner we'll look at some of the gimmicks on the market that supposedly "help the bowler", and at some that really do. Until then, make your spares and take a friend bowling.

### City Honor Roll

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Dan Nelson	222-573	Linda Colburn	230-664
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Rog Runyon	217-564	Deb Craig	224-569
Don Shepard	203-561	Linda Clouse	200-559
Dick Strouse	193-557	Connie Roth	206-554

\*(4 games)

A big SALUTE to Terry Abel who had the city's highest game this year at Lowell Lanes, a fine 298!!!

And a hearty CONGRATS to the Kent County Sheriff's Deputy team for winning the First Annual Law Enforcement Team Bowling "Challenge" held last week at Legion Lanes. They defeated the Walker City Police in the double elimination style tournament, 1012 to 1003 in the championship match.

May the bowling gods be generous this week.

### 4-H travel club sponsors holiday bus tour

The Kent County 4-H Travel Club is sponsoring a holiday bus trip to Woodfield Mall in suburban Chicago on November 16, 1985. The cost is \$22. The trip will depart and return from North Kent Mall and Grand Village Mall. For more information, call 774-3265, during work hours, or 878-3305.

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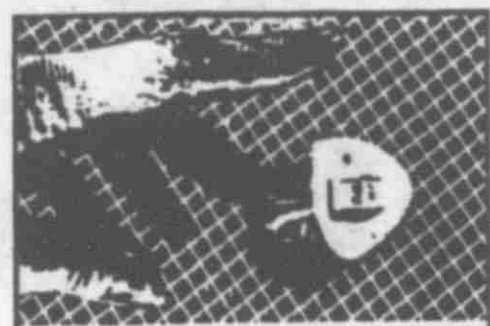
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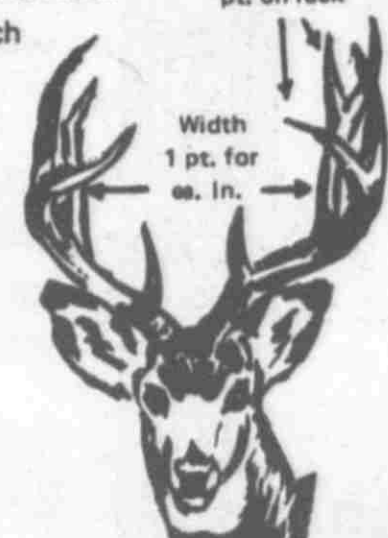
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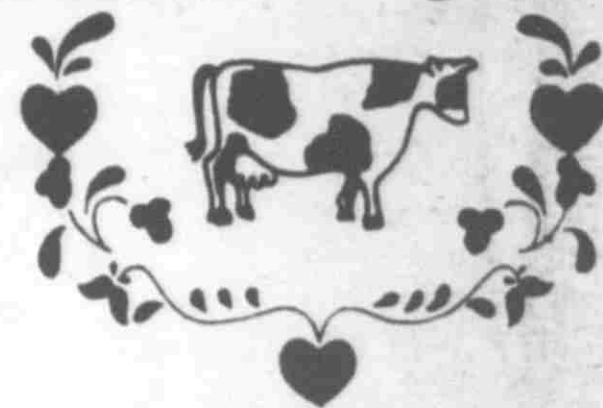
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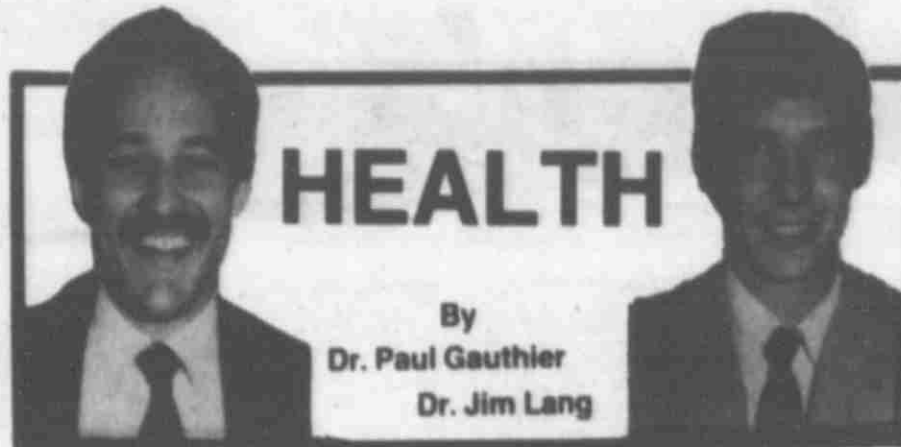
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## HEARTBURN

Heartburn is a common complaint that almost all patients have experienced at one time or another. Heartburn is caused by relaxation of the sphincter between the esophagus and stomach. Regurgitation of stomach contents into the lower esophagus results in inflammation and burning. The medical term for heartburn is reflux esophagitis.

As already stated, the most common symptom of reflux esophagitis is a burning pain, located behind the breast bone. This usually occurs 30-60 minutes after eating and is made worse by lying down. The pain may mimic that of angina or a heart attack. Difficulty swallowing or pain during swallowing can occur. In severe cases, nausea and vomiting can occur. Occasionally a patient may experience blood tinged vomitus or dark tarry stools if the inflammation is severe enough to cause internal bleeding.

Reflux esophagitis can occur in anyone, but conditions that predispose a person to this ailment are obesity, pregnancy and hiatal hernia. Tobacco and alcohol decrease the gastroesophageal sphincter tone and can lead to worsening of the symptoms. Certain foods such as tomato products, chocolate, peppermint, citrus foods or fatty foods can also worsen symptoms.

Diagnosis of reflux esophagitis is usually straightforward and is made after careful history and examination. An upper GI series (X-rays) may aid in making the diagnosis and to rule out other diseases like ulcers. Sometimes, gastroscopy (passing a tube into the esophagus and stomach to actually visualize the surface lining) is used to confirm the diagnosis.

General measures such as weight loss, avoidance of irritating foods, avoidance of alcohol and avoidance of smoking will decrease reflux. Elevating the head of the bed by placing 4-6 inch blocks under the bed posts may provide relief. Antacids taken one and three hours after meals will usually decrease pain. If the above measures provide minimal relief your doctor may prescribe medication to inhibit acid production or speed gastric emptying. Surgery is used in cases that do not respond to medical management. Your doctor can assist you in determining the appropriate treatment that is best for you.



Regular airmail service was first established in 1918.

## Symphonic Band to preform at First Baptist Church of Lowell

The Symphonic Band of the Grand Rapids Baptist College, Grand Rapids, Michigan, will present a sacred concert at the First Baptist Church of Lowell at 7:00 P.M. on November 10, 1985.

The fifty-five select men and women who form the band are conducted by John Varineau. The band's music ranges from "Jericho" by Morton Gould to "The Feast of Trumpets" and "Day of the Shofar." Congregations, high school assemblies, and campus groups in the Midwest and on the East Coast have been excited and motivated by their concerts.

Grand Rapids Baptist College offers a Christian liberal arts curriculum on a 134-acre campus in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Its fully accredited programs prepare students for a number of vocations in Christian ministries, social work, elementary and secondary education, business, and computers, among others. The College is one of the nine schools approved by the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches.



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## Shorter and simpler bills for Michigan Bell customers

Michigan Bell customers this month are receiving telephone bills that are shorter and simpler. Acting on recommendations made by customers and experts, the company has overhauled its old bill with graphic improvements and reworded phrases. As a bonus, the new bill has two to four fewer pages than its predecessor.

"The project began about a year ago when it became clear that many customers had difficulty reading and understanding

the old bill," said Phil Gould, Michigan Bell corporate affairs manager.

"The old format was a by-product of the Jan. 1, 1984, breakup of the Bell System," Gould said. Customers said the bill was unnecessarily complicated, and many complained about the number of pages.

Minor changes were made immediately and the company began working on major improvements by seeking opinions and recommendations from customers, graphic designers and even a linguist, Gould said.

Prototypes of a new bill -- varying the page size, content and style -- were developed and reviewed by panels of nearly 800 customers across the state.

"We found that by adding enhancements such as lines and shaded boxes to guide the reader's eye, modifying the wording of our messages and using some variations of upper and lower case letters we could make the bill much easier to follow and understand," Gould said.

Also, the bill payment card -- a computer punch card that since the early 1960s has been enclosed with bill to keep track of customer account information -- has been replaced. The new mailings include a bill payment page which can be read directly by a computer optical scanner and must be returned with payment to ensure the proper account is credited, Gould said.

"Our customers pointed out the problems and contributed greatly to the solutions," Gould said.

Gould said the company's computer equipment in Saginaw and Southfield was modified to produce the new bills.

Most of the company's 3 million customers pay their phone bills by mail, using the return envelope supplied by Michigan Bell, Gould said.

Nature photographers, get prepared! Come fall, *National Wildlife* magazine says you'll have the chance to take pictures of one of the country's most accessible wildlife spectacles: the annual elk rutting ritual at Yellowstone National Park. That's when bucks clash head-to-head in battle for awaiting does. If you go, you won't be alone. Dozens of American photographers return to the park for this spectacle every year.

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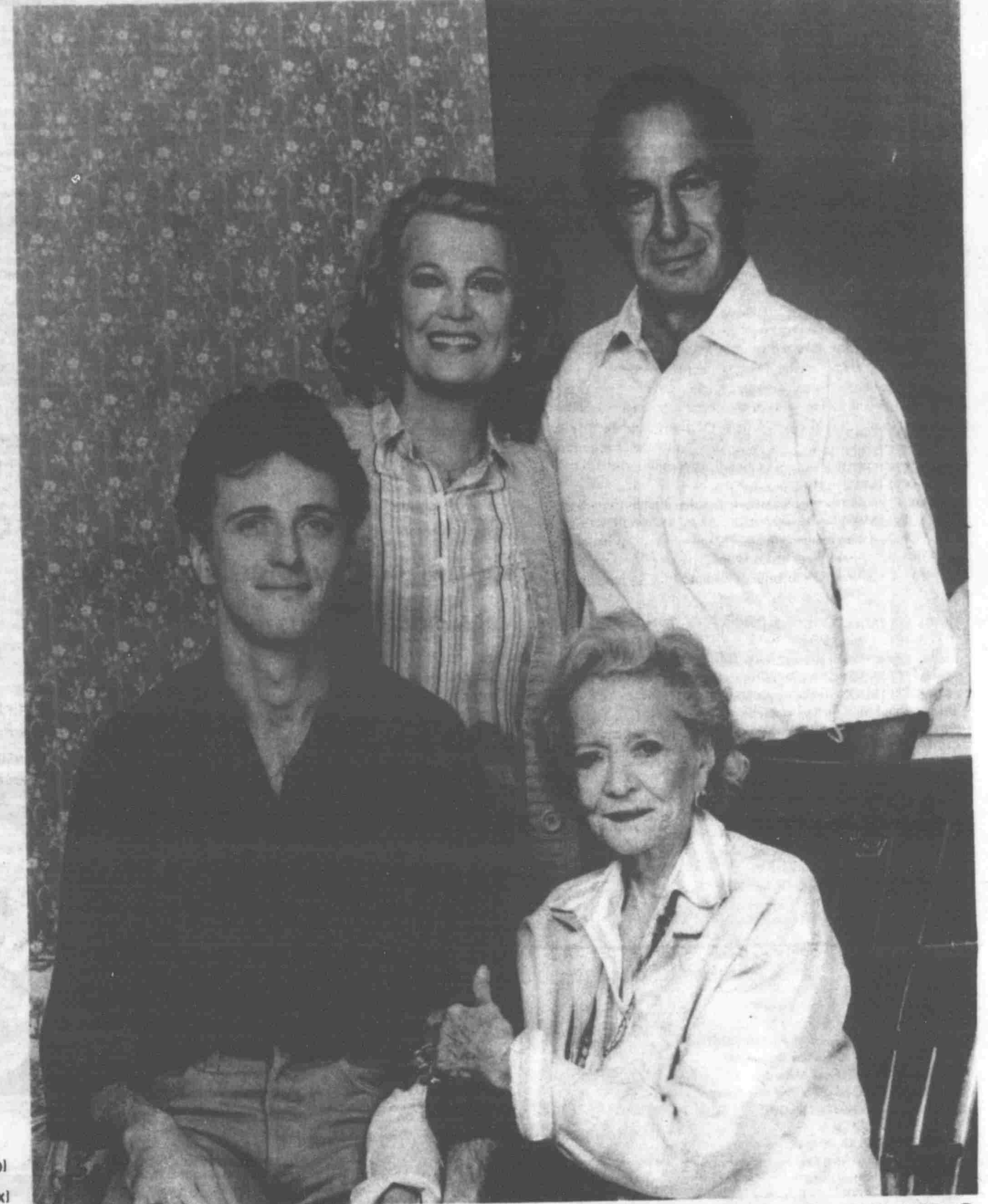
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Clockwise from top right: Ben Gazzara, Sylvia Sidney, Aidan Quinn and Gena Rowlands star in "An Early Frost," airing Monday, Nov. 11 on NBC. The film centers around a family that is thrown into crisis when it learns that the son has AIDS.

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10:00AM [HBO] - 'Where the Lilies Bloom'
8:00AM [HBO] - 'Reunion of Fairborough' (CC)
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12:00PM [HBO] - 'Race for the Yankee Zephyr'
12:30PM [MAX] - 'Judith'
1:00PM [MAX] - 'Bill Cosby, Himself'
1:05PM [MAX] - 'Wander Man'
1:05PM [HBO] - 'All the Brothers Were Valiant'

2:00PM [HBO] - 'Something Wicked This Way Comes'
3:00PM [MAX] - 'Life on the Mississippi'
3:00PM [HBO] - 'Two of Hearts' (CC)
5:00PM [MAX] - 'Moonrunners'
6:00PM [HBO] - 'To Be or Not to Be'
8:00PM [HBO] - 'Jenny's War' Part 2 of 2
8:00PM [HBO] - 'The Philadelphia Experiment' (CC)
8:05PM [HBO] - 'The Long Ships'
9:00PM [HBO] - 'The Kid from Brooklyn'
9:00PM [HBO] - 'The Bishop's Wife'
10:00PM [HBO] - 'To Be Announced'
10:00PM [HBO] - 'The Holywood Knights'
10:30PM [MAX] - 'Bill Cosby, Himself'
11:00PM [HBO] - 'The Last Flight of Noah's Ark'
11:30PM [HBO] - 'Fallen Angel'
12:05AM [HBO] - 'Warrior of the Lost World'
12:15AM [MAX] - 'French Women'
12:30AM [HBO] - 'The Don is Dead'
1:55AM [MAX] - 'Bachelor Party' (CC)
2:00AM [HBO] - 'Operation Daybreak'
2:00AM [HBO] - 'House of Cards'
2:40AM [HBO] - 'The Man Who Loved Women' (CC)
3:00AM [HBO] - 'A Farewell to Arms'
3:30AM [HBO] - 'Big Clock'
3:45AM [MAX] - 'Apocalypse Now'
4:00AM [HBO] - 'Hell Bent for Leather'
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5:00 Crossfire
5:30 [MAX] MOVIE: 'The Philadelphia Experiment' (CC)
6:00 [MAX] MOVIE: 'Supergirl' (CC)
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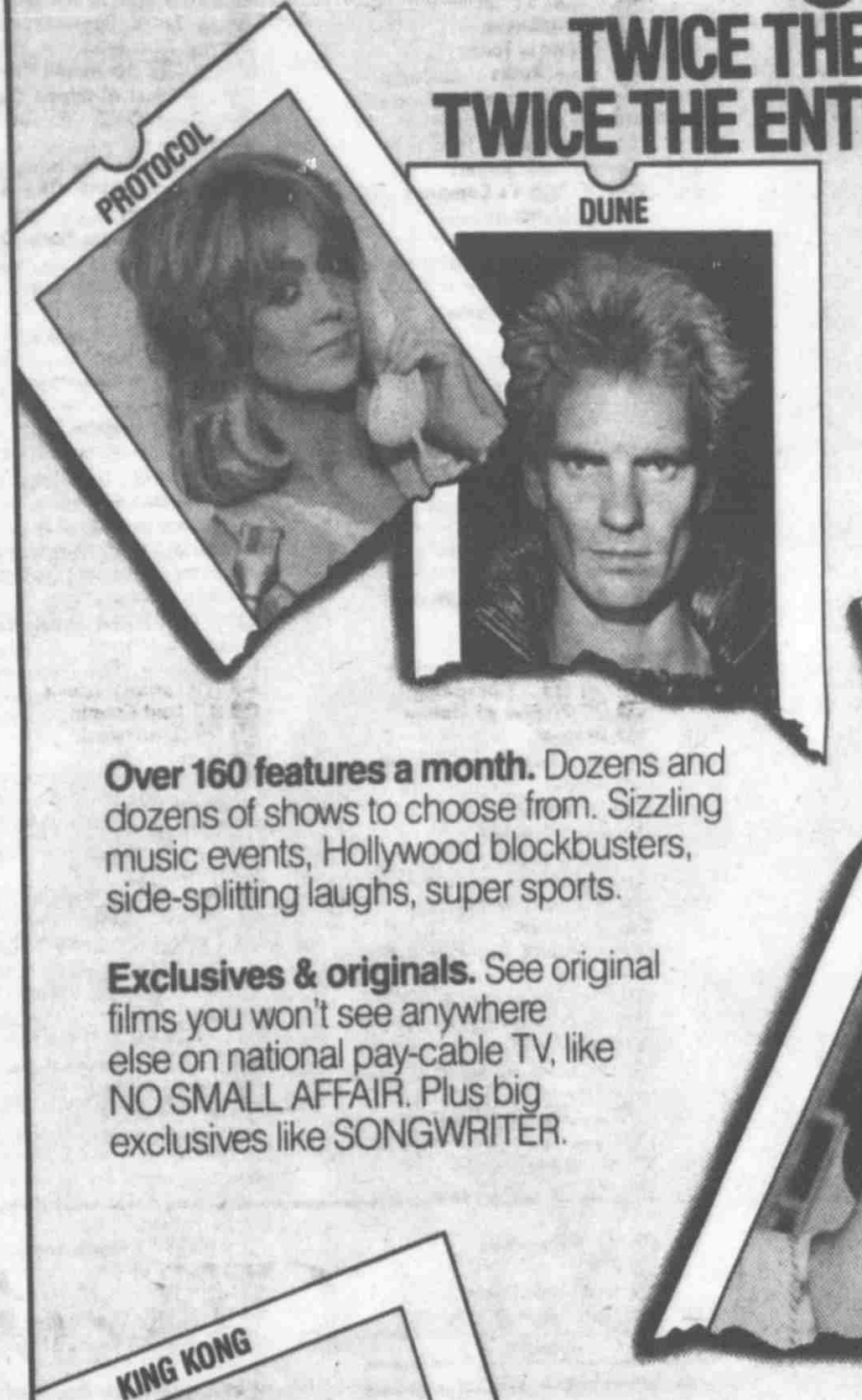
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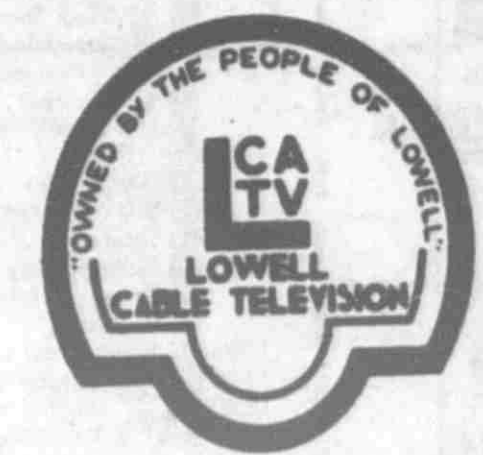
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MONDAY

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5:00 Sports Review
6:00 Mazda SportsLook
6:35 (MAX) MOVIE: 'Highpoint'

MONDAY'S MOVIES

6:35AM (MAX) - 'Highpoint'
8:00AM (HBO) - 'Zelig'
10:00AM (MAX) MOVIE: 'Beau Brummel'

10:30 (HBO) MOVIE: 'My Favorite Year'
11:30 (HBO) Preview
AFTERNOON
12:00 (HBO) MOVIE: 'Bugs Bunny's Third Movie: 1001 Rabbit Tales'

MONDAY'S MOVIES

12:30 (HBO) MOVIE: 'To Be Announced'
1:00 (HBO) MOVIE: 'The Bishop's Wife'

6:35 (MAX) MOVIE: 'Brentanosaurus'
10:05 (HBO) MOVIE: 'Honeymoon Hotel'

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TUESDAY

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5:00 All American Wrestling
6:00 SportsCenter
6:30 (HBO) 'No Crush, I'm in Love'

TUESDAY'S MOVIES

7:00AM (MAX) - 'Son of Kong'
8:00AM (HBO) - 'To Be or Not to Be'

10:00 (MAX) MOVIE: 'Electric Dreams'
10:05 (HBO) MOVIE: 'Breaking the Sound Barrier'

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Pictured are employees of Hinkley Drug Store, they are as follows: Mike Hinkley, Ronald McDonald; Barb Bareel, Rambo; Laurie Sisson, Indian; Chris Talcott, clown; and Tracy Denman, farmer. In the front row is Nancy Richardson, clown and Marie Leson dressed as a person from the 50's.



These employees from the State Savings Bank are: Nancy Metternick as a fireman, Ernestine Bundy as a chicken, Diane Barnes as a bag lady, Dianne Thomas, as a Wizard and Terri Jones as a bag lady.



In this photo, are employees of State Savings Bank. They are as follows: Marea Borg, "Fonzie"; Bob Elzinga, "At the Hop"; Janell Spicer, Zira from the Planet of the Apes; Lu Green, baseball player; Cheryl Guild, bag lady and Linda Barnes as "Brutus".



Pictured are employees of Eberhards: Jill Simon, dressed as a hayseed, Lois DeYoung as a railroad worker, Judy Hath as a cowboy, Ruth Wood dressed as a cleaning women, Sheila Kyburz as a ball player and Joe Mitchell as a football player.



Some employees from ITM took time out to pose for a picture. From left to right are: Marcy McUmbler, Granny; Sarah Vezino, Clown; Cathy Biggs, Arabian dancer; Russel Way, Devil and Mike Vermerris as a Nerd.



Employees of State Savings Bank employees are: Herm Stukkie, Dutch boy; Gaye Hostler, Devil; Ann Kemper, Lifesaver, Ginnie Gauger, Smurfette and Vonnie Gauger as "Annie".



Four employees from Root-Lowell Manufacturing dressed up for the festivities. They are from left to right: Cheryl Ford, farmer; Carol Scharaswak, angel; Karen Haskins, Raggedy Andy and Nancy Brenk, bag lady.



Five employees from the State Savings Bank took time out for a photo, they are: Sharon McFall, U of M fan; Debbie Burrow, Pumpkin; Virginia Kaye, football coach; Helen Craig, Minnie Peral and Linda Block as a Diet school drop-out.



Employees of the Buyer's Guide enjoyed dressing up Thursday, pictured are: Helen Grant as a nurse, Cathy Kuehle as a Mermaid and Velma Perry dressed as a referee.



Keiser's Kitchen participated in the contest, they had nine employees dressed. In this picture are five of the contestants, they are: Ruth Merritt as a gypsy, Linda Cooper as a Baby, Lorretta Miller dressed as bum, Chris West as a nun and Blair Cahoon as the Jolly Green Giant.



These two witches were found putting cards away at Cousin's Card & Gift Shoppe. They are Karen & JoAnn Hale.



Ellen Woudenberg, Mexican attire and Cher Stokes, Hillbilly are shown here posing with Dave Davis as a real live wierdo from the Straw Basket.



Bob Pfaller, owner of Pfaller's Riverfront Clothing, poses as an ancient aviator complete with leather flight jacket, silk scarf and leather flight helmet.



Salesman, Fred Hardesty (the old Lady) and his wife Rita (the old man) got in the spirit of things at Vennen Chrysler Dodge.



Employees of the Lowell Beer Store, Alice Kinyon, Green Sprout and Alice Johnson, clown found time for this shot.



Dressed in Halloween attire are Cumberland Manor employees: Bobbie Miller as a baby, Sharon Scharaswak as a baseball player and Alice Oesch as a bum.



As a Devil look-a-like, Marylin Dawson of Man's World Hair Styling, took time out to pose for this picture.





Six employees from Cumberland Manor are shown in this picture. In the back row, from left to right are Sharon Adams, clown; Denise Simpson, train robber and Eugene Rash dressed as a bum. In the front row are Susan Sommers as a clown, Peggy Pfaff, baseball player and Christine Crawford also as a clown.



Not only did the State Savings Bank Main office employees dress up, so did the Branch office. Pictured are: Diane McNaughton as a Pumpkin, Chery Valentine as a monk, Tina Cross as a clown and Linda DesJarden as a drive thru window.



Dr. Todd Gillian and all his employees enjoyed taking time out for a picture. In the back row is Peg Mulder as Harpo, Michelle Bauman dressed as a tube of cream, the frog is Judy Hardy and Dr. Todd Gillian is the cowboy. Seated are Amy DeYoung as a fire fighter, Sara Kenyon as a devil and Cindy Kramer posed as a bunny.



Cumberland Manor's Judy Brainard dressed as a cat, Alyce Watrous as a bunch of grapes and Betty Dean as a cat are all pictured in the back row. In the front row is Cristine Potter as a clown, Maxine Codling as a Lady of the night and Janette Scatullo dressed as a gypsy.



In this picture are Lowell Light and Power's Chris Simmons, Witch; Gina Whittington, Crayon and Elsie Copron also dressed as a witch.



These State Savings Bank employees are: Jill Wright as a Lake Odessa Police Officer, Michele Doyle as a bank robber, Lynn Peterson as a cow and Chuck Myers as a flasher.



These four employees of Keiser's Kitchen are: Linda Kazemier as a clown, Bonnie Ring as a witch, Donna Brown as a farmer and dressed as a young farmer is Mary Brown.



When Ledger camera's got to Brothers Inn, we found this group of employees awaiting our arrival. Pictured is Roxanne Gildner as a sailor, Pat O'Rielly dressed as a cook and Dee Murray posed as a mime.



Mike Spurlock from Balloons By Golly dressed up as a werewolf.



Terese Hessler, receptionist at Dr. Reagan's office, dressed as a Devil.



This pair of waitresses from Larkin's Saloon are: Rita Cahoon as the bag lady and Linda Hotchkins as a punker.



Stephanie Amelia dressed as a vampiress. Stephanie is an employee of the Brothers Inn.



Tee-Jay's very own Jim Rasch, dressed as Dracula, posed last Thursday for the Ledger's camera.



Only two employees of Myers Family Hairstyling were available for pictures, they are Margret Green as Dolly Parton and the witch is Connie Stencil.



Cindy Addington also an employee of Lambert's Variety, costumed in a Pinocchio outfit.



Arlene Lambert from Lambert's Variety, dressed up as a clown, was available for a quick picture.



Wayne and Erma Cheyne, owners of Cheynes Pub, got into the swing of things as they dressed as an old time Bartender and saloon girl.



# Krause at the House

**Vic Krause**  
19th District  
State Representative

The Department of Natural Resources is encouraging conservation-minded citizens, organizations and colleges in Michigan to apply for small grants to fund field work that will help the state's nongame wildlife and rare plants.

The small grant monies are available under the new Nongame Wildlife Fund, which comes from donations made by residents on their state income tax refunds.

This year, the fund has sponsored 32 projects at a total cost of more than \$70,000. These projects focused on a board range of species, including loons, lake sturgeon, Kirtland's warblers, rare plants and unique natural areas. Students and biologists at six Michigan colleges and universities received 1985 grants.

A high priority will be placed on projects benefiting those wildlife and plant species listed as endangered or threatened in Michigan. Top consideration will also be given to those grant proposals which offer matching monies from outside sources to help share project costs with the Nongame Wildlife Fund.

Grant proposals must be submitted by December 15, 1985. Applications are available from

the Nongame Wildlife fund, c/o Small Grants, Box 30028, Lansing, MI, 48909. Copies of the form and other information may be obtained by calling the DNR at (517) 373-1263. This is not a toll-free number.

All proposals will be reviewed and ranked by the Fund's citizen advisory committee and approved projects will be announced in mid-February. LEGISLATION WOULD REQUIRE SCHOOLS TO OPEN AFTER LABOR DAY

Legislation that would require school districts to start after Labor Day is currently being debated in the Michigan House and supporters say its passage could give the Michigan recreation and tourism industry a boost.

Supporters of the bill (HB 4461) say that school opening dates vary around the state. Many schools start classes before Labor Day, causing family vacations, camping trips and other events to be cancelled or cut short.

According to the Michigan State Chamber of Commerce, states like Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas, Texas, South Dakota, and Minnesota have adopted post-Labor Day school opening laws. Missouri's travel industry

realized a 25 percent increase in business from August 19 through Labor Day 1984, compared to the previous year. This resulted in about \$40 million in increased gross revenues and \$1.6 million in state tax revenues.

A State Chamber survey found that nearly two-thirds of Michigan's registered voters favor starting school after Labor Day. The September survey found that if all Michigan public schools followed such a rule, 15 percent of those questioned would increase their travel activities while 3 percent would decrease their travel plans.

The Michigan Travel Bureau estimates that a 12-15 percent increase in travel by Michigan residents would mean an additional 250,000 to 300,000 trips, which would increase direct travel expenditures by about \$25 million. SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE PASSES HOUSE BILLS, INCLUDING PROPOSAL TO INCREASE CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND CHECKOFF

The Senate Finance Committee recently approved several House Bills dealing with such issues as home heating credits and designation of income tax refunds for the state nongame fish and wildlife fund and the Children's Trust Fund.

House bill 4876 would increase the limit on contributions made to a child-abuse prevention

program through income tax checkoffs. The legislation would allow people to designate \$2 or more of their income tax refunds for the Children's Trust Fund. Currently there is a \$2 limit on what a person can designate. At that present rate of contribution, the income tax designation would have to remain in effect for 64 years before the fund became self-sufficient. If passed, the bill would increase the likelihood that the fund could attain self-sufficiency at an earlier date.

The committee also reported a bill that would extend the time period on the designation of income tax refunds for the state nongame fish and wildlife fund. HB 4322 would allow people to designate a portion of their tax refunds to the fund through 1994, unless the fund's assets already exceed \$6 million.

A third bill passed by the committee would increase home heating credits for low-income families that claim credits against the income tax for fuel costs that exceed certain percentages of household income.

The measure (HB 4988) would increase home heating credits for claimants with five exemptions or more from \$460 to \$480. For those with six exemptions the credit was raised from \$502 to \$550, plus \$70 for each additional exemption.



Golf's "Big Four" tournaments are the U.S. Open, Masters, P.G.A., and British Open. The golfer who wins all four of these is the winner of the "Grand Slam."

## Alto branch library to hold musical puppet show, Nov. 14



HANSEL AND GRETEL, a musical puppet show, will be presented at the Alto Branch of the Kent County Library System on Thursday, November 14 at 4:00 P.M. School age children and their parents are invited to attend this free program which is being sponsored in celebration of Children's Book Week and the 200th birthday of Jakob Grimm, of the famous Grimm Brothers.

SNOW WHITE'S MAGIC STORYBOOK, has been scheduled for Wednesday, November 13 at the Lowell Branch at 4:00 P.M.

For further details, contact your local branch or the Children's Services Department at 774-3253.

## Ski operators banking on business rise

Michigan's public ski facility operators are banking on good weather and improvements to help continue a two-year upward trend in business, according to AAA Michigan.

Lift tickets sold last season at 26 facilities surveyed by the Michigan Travel Bureau were nearly 9 percent above the 1983-84 season and rose 37 percent over the 1982-83 season, which was plagued with below average snowfall and warm temperatures. If that trend continues, ski revenues could match or exceed the record \$145 million collected during the 1978-79 season.

AAA Michigan's 1985-86 guide to downhill ski areas lists 51 facilities, four less than last year. Closed this year are Timberlee Mt. near Traverse City, Black Forest near Port Huron, Mt. Grampian in Oxford and Big Valley at Newberry.

Lift ticket fees for weekend skiing range from \$3.00 to \$22.00 and average \$12.66 per day at the 43 facilities reporting prices in AAA Michigan's pre-season survey. The price range was \$2.00 to \$20.00 last season.

One-third of Michigan's downhill public ski facility operators reported improvements for the upcoming year in AAA Michigan pre-season survey. Though the \$6.6 million in projects includes major renovation and expansion of ski facilities, some of the projects are aimed at luring visitors throughout the year.

Among the largest reported in the survey is a \$2 million project at Indianhead Mt. Resort in Wakefield. In the first phase of the two-year project, a one-mile run and a 7,000-square-foot

health club are being added this season. A second one-mile run is planned next year, costing approximately \$2 million.

Nearly half of the other improvements are being made in West Michigan. They include another of the state's most expensive projects, costing \$1.2 million, underway at Boyne Mt. in Boyne Falls. Owners are renovating public rooms and have added a golf course, which will be used for cross-country skiing.

At Cedar, Sugar Loaf's \$1.1 million project includes remodeling lodge rooms and building condominiums. Thompsonville's Crystal Mt. will open deluxe condominium units at a cost of \$800,000.

A \$300,000 project at Swiss Valley in Jones includes a cocktail lounge and new rental skis. In Buchanan at Ski World, formerly Royal Valley, operators are investing \$225,000 to add a barbecue pit, carpet the lodge, expand a cocktail lounge and cafeteria and add rental skis.

Hilton Shanty Creek at Bellaire is constructing a \$100,000 health club. Caberface at Cadillac has a partially recontoured race hill and a new 3/4 mile run served by an express triple chair lift. In Lake City, Missaukee Mt.'s ice skating rink is being refurbished.

In Southeast Michigan, \$500,000 is being invested at Mt. Holly for a triple chair lift, improved snowmaking equipment and enlarged rest rooms. Riverview Highlands has invested \$45,000 to improve snowmaking equipment, to add a rental shop and for new equipment and expanding the ticket sale area.

Mt. Brighton has installed a 1,500-foot triple-chair lift to serve a recarved back bowl, regraded a 1,500-foot hill, created an outside ticket window, expanded the lodge and rental area and added rental skis and ski boots.

Pine Knob has redesigned a slope, added snow cannons and will open a year-round restaurant at the Clarkston facility. Milford's Alpine Valley has improved snowmaking capacity, expanded the lodge and added rental skis. Highland Recreation Area at Highland has added lighting for night skiing and has cut new trails.

In East Michigan, Mio Mt. in Farwell has a new 300-foot run a 1,500 foot run and one rope tow. Gaylord's Sylvan Resort is building chalets at a cost of \$400,000.

In the Upper Peninsula, owners of Ski Homestead and Ski Brule, both in Iron River, added one 300-foot connecting run and widened six runs. NASTAR (National Standard Race) racing is new at Big Powderhorn in Bessemer. Norway's Briar Mt. will offer interchangeable lift tickets with Pine Mt. in Iron Mt.



Among some primitive tribes, people hope to secure more game birds by drawing pictures of the creatures and imitating their cries.

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## Council Proceedings

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

Regular Meeting of Monday, October 7, 1985.

The Meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was given and the Roll called.

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

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Thompson that the Minutes of the September 16 Meeting be approved by correcting page 4, paragraph 1 to read, "Two bids were received, one for \$400 and one for \$1350. He strongly suggested that the \$1350 bid from Valley Truck Parts be accepted and the truck sold to them.", supported by Councilman Collins.

Carried.

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Schneider that the Bills and Accounts Payable be allowed and warrants issued, supported by Councilman Fonger.

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

### BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE TOTALS

General Fund	\$50,211.22
Major Street Fund	407.31
Local Street Fund	20,833.22
Sewer Fund	905.75
Water Fund	4,775.28
Equipment Fund	4,033.67
Federal Revenue Sharing	2,750.00
Community Development Fund	958.30
Current Tax Fund	2,086.78
Lee Fund	50,648.27

Look Memorial Fund	500.00
Storm Sewer Fund	113,801.89

The first item of business was the consideration of a proposed contract with Square Consulting Services for creation of a Downtown Development Authority.

Manager Quada stated that the cost of the contract would be \$6,500, which could be paid from the General Fund and later reimbursed. A D.D.A. would incorporate all new projects, mer chants and property owners within the given areas.

Council questioned whether to enter into the contract without input from area merchants, if they weren't all interested, would the venture be worthwhile.

Manager Quada then suggested that the City ask Mr. Sowles for a master outline on exactly what needs to be done, step by step, and a time schedule. Then, Council could take time to study and assess the worth of the project and determine where to go from there.

Councilman Thompson asked if it would involve extra work for City employees to update information for such an outline. Manager Quada replied that the assessment cards are kept up to date on a yearly basis, and all information needed would be pulled from them, which would be current.

Councilman Collins asked if that much information could be put together and ready by December 31 of this year to make the necessary deadline. Manager Quada stated he would rather not push for this year end, but wait for 1986 figures instead, to ensure a thorough job. He also suggested that the Chamber of Commerce be asked to look over a master outline for an opinion. If they feel it would not be advantageous, Council may not wish to proceed.

Manager Quada then suggested that Council not approve the proposed contract at this time, but authorize Mr. Sowles to prepare a master outline, laying out the exact responsibilities of the City Assessor, Planner and business community, and spell out on a calendar year basis, when each step must be ready, i.e., presentation to Council, when each project should begin, when it should be completed, etc.

IT WAS THEN MOVED by Councilman Thompson that Mr. Sowles be authorized to prepare a master outline, at a cost not to exceed \$350.00, supported by Councilman Fonger.

Carried.

The next item for discussion was the request of Newell Mfg. Company for a Certificate of Exemption under the tennets of P.A. 198.

Mr. Russell Dunham, representing the firm, stated that since the 1983 expansion, business has increased 200%. They have increased from 60 employees to 102, and with the proposed 50,000 square foot expansion, they will add another 60 to 70 employees. By 1990, they will be four times the size of the original plant. They are anticipating two or three more expansions in the next few years to the rear of their property, keeping the center for parking.

Manager Quada gave a rundown on the amount of area businesses in the 198 program, stating that \$3,903,600 will be included in tax abatements, if the two current requests being considered tonight are included. That figure represents only 9.76% of the City's total State Equalized Valuation. He again pointed out that with none of the past additions has the City ever had to add any expenses to the City's budget. No new employees, no additional equipment, no extension of water or sewer lines to accommodate any of the expansions. All of the present systems are adequate and sufficient to handle the additional needs of the present expansions.

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Collins that the P.A. 198 Certificate of Exemption be granted to Newell Mfg. for the twelve year period, supported by Councilman Schneider.

Carried.

Council then discussed the second 198 Certificate of Exemption request submitted by Attwood Brass.

Mr. Don Rocheleau, President of Attwood introduced Mr. Bruce Wolverton who is in charge of the project.

Mr. Wolverton explained that their expansion would be 32,000 square feet to house an additional 25 injection molding machines. He stated that the plant is at maximum size and they simply must expand their space to expand their production.

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Schneider, supported by Councilman Thompson that the P.A. 198 Certificate of Exemption be granted to Attwood Brass Corp. for the twelve year period.

Carried.

Manager Quada then gave an update on the West End Park, stating that it was ready for a "punch card inspection" in the morning. The diamonds are beautiful, the park area is beautiful, and the fence has been well received. The Parks Committee has discussed formally naming the park, and will make a formal presentation and recommendation for Council consideration. He also noted that a new Parks Committee member will need to be appointed to replace Mr. Gerald Kellogg who has moved from the community.

He then asked for authorization to submit a request to the Helen Look Daley Committee for funding to construct the concession stand/restroom facility.

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Collins that the Manager be authorized to submit a request to the Helen Look Daley Committee for the necessary funding, supported by Councilman Fonger.

Under Citizen Suggestions and Remarks, Mr. Rocheleau thanked the Council for their confidence in the Lowell Business Community, in the support of the 198 Tax Exemption Program, and he also thanked Mr. Bob Pfaller representing the Chamber of Commerce for their support. Because of that kind of support, Attwood Brass is always ready to reciprocate in helping this community.

Mr. Pfaller stated that went "ditto" for the chamber.

Under Council Remarks, Councilman Thompson commented on the flowers and landscaping being done at the Shell Station

and the renovation of Dr. Reagan's, Great Lakes and the whole block getting strated, really looks good.

Councilman Fonger stated that he has noticed some of our City streets are breaking up badly, and asked if they can be patched yet this year. Manager Quada replied that they were already being done, as long as the tar can be kept hot, it can be done.

Councilman Schneider asked if all the trees in the Main Street area have been placed. Manager Quada replied that all have been, but that two will need to be moved for better vision at the corner of Main and N. Broadway, and that the City will again paint lines marking parking spaces so that no one will be trapped on the passenger side of vehicles with doors opening into planters, etc. Also, the Chamber of Commerce is making plans to decorate the trees with lights for the Christmas Season.

Mayor Maatman thanked Attwood Brass and the Helen Look Daley Committee for paying the cost of having Mr. Bill Sanders speak at the school. It was an excellent program.

Under the Manager's Report, Manager Quada stated that he has received a copy of a Violation and Order to Comply for a new sewage treatment plant by July 1, 1988.

Manager Quada stated that the City has rigidly opposed the method of funding by the E.P.A. since 1976. We have gone through all of the processes, marching to the tune of their drummer with no results. There have been extremely long delays by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. In 1983 we started an Industrial Pre-Treatment Program for all industries within the City, determining how much they can discharge into a public owned treatment system. In 1983 we submitted a proposed ordinance to the M.D.N.R. who forwarded it to Washington for review. It was not received back until August of 1984. It was resubmitted with necessary changes in February of 1985, and was not returned until August 15, 1985 with a request for additional changes before it can be approved. They have now ordered the City Manager to sign a paper stating that the City promises to adopt an ordinance by or before year's end. Manager Quada refused.

He continued that the single-most major problem has been the funding list and the City's number on it. Our plans were approved in December of 1982, one year after submission. The Federal Government may be starting to listen, we are now #44 on the list. They have indicated that enough grant funds are available for 36 to 40 projects. We have requested that if any additional funds become available for projects #45 and above, if the City funds our own project, will they reimburse the city. There has been no commitment, but they have said our project is not fundable. A letter was received today which documents state funding options. In 1984 we asked for a statement on privatization, with no response.

If, at this point the City is forced to build the plant at our own expense, the costs would have to be passed on to customers, ranging in bills being raised approximately \$30 per month with a state grant, \$40 per month without. It could conceivably be as much as \$52 per month. The fact that no Lowell household could afford those kinds of billing costs has been conveyed to the federal government.

The Manager briefly outlined the timetable set by the M.D.N.R./E.P.A., stating that the plant must be completed and operational by May 30, 1988. We must respond to this notice within 14 days.

Manager Quada suggested that in the meantime, perhaps the City should be looking at updating our secondary treatment program, to make the job easier if funding is found.

Councilman Collins asked if the City should be looking at quick, stop-gap measures that will hold us for three to four years. Manager Quada replied yes, if we cannot get the necessary funding by the program.

IT WAS THEN MOVED by Councilman Collins to adjourn at 9:04 P.M.

It was announced that the School Millage Election had passed (unofficially) by a vote of 788 yes, to 672 no.

Approved: Monday, November 4, 1985

James D. Maatman, Mayor  
Ray E. Quada, City Clerk



# Snowmobile trails to be best ever

Snowmobilers should find the best conditions ever this winter since grooming is planned at least weekly on the state's 175 public trails by the Department of Natural Resources in a stepped-up maintenance program, according to AAA Michigan.

In previous years, most heavily used trails were groomed weekly but others were groomed only as needed following a snowfall.

The Michigan Legislature has allocated \$500,000 from the general fund to ensure weekly grooming this season and to help

boost tourism. An additional \$900,000 will come from the state's snowmobile registration fees. Registration costs \$15 per vehicle for a three-year period. Grooming will be done by state workers and 50 local government and private groups.

Michigan has 1190,000 registered snowmobiles, the same as last year but down from the record 400,000 in the early 1970's. Approximately 4,500 miles of trails—the same as last year—are listed on AAA Michigan's 1985-86 guide to public snowmobile sites. They are in 63 state parks,

one southern game area, 107 state forests and four national forests. A \$2 daily or \$10 annual motor vehicle permit is required to operate a snowmobile in a state park.

Trail lengths range from one mile in Petoskey State Park to 200 miles through the Upper Peninsula's Ottawa and Huron national forests.

Michigan law prohibits snowmobiling on trails with less than four inches of snow. Depths usually are adequate by Dec. 1 in the U.P. and before the end of that month in much of Lower Michigan. Snowmobiling will be permitted Jan. 2 through March 31 in West Michigan's state game area in Allegan County, following the bow-and-arrow deer hunting season.

Off-trail snowmobiling is allowed on state forest land but is prohibited or restricted in national forests. Snowmobilers should contact rangers' offices for specific rules.

## Motorists urged to watch for deer

While no figures are available for last winter, 16 persons died in snowmobile accidents during the 1983-84 season. They include two persons who drowned after falling through the ice and one driver who fell from the vehicle after hitting a chain strung across a trail.

AAA Michigan advises snowmobilers to follow these safety rules:

- Only cross ice that is at least six inches thick over lakes or rivers.
- Avoid ice at river mouths and stay alert for fishing holes,

stumps and pilings covered by snow.

- Dress warmly. Avoid clothing which may tangle in equipment.
- Carry tools, spare parts and extra fuel.
- Carry survival and first aid kits with a compass, maps,

waterproof matches, food and extra clothing.

- Stay on marked trails and watch for fences and wires concealed in snow.
- Respect private property and do not litter.
- Avoid alcohol consumption.

More than 26,400 car-deer accidents occurred in Michigan last fall, resulting in five deaths, 1,299 injuries and millions of dollars in property damages.

Department of Natural Resources (DNR) officials advise motorists to be alert and on the look-out for deer on the roads, especially from now until the end of December, when deer are much more mobile than at other times of the year.

In addition to the loss of life and personal injuries, "car-deer incidents in the State accounted for more than \$43,000,000 last year in property damages and individual deer value," says DNR Director Ronald O. Skoog. "Therefore, motorists should be particularly alert during the first few hours before sunrise and after sunset, especially near areas posted as deer crossings."

"Remember that deer often move in numbers, and some may lag behind. Buckle safety belts, use high beams if possible, slow down, and most importantly, be prepared to stop immediately if necessary."

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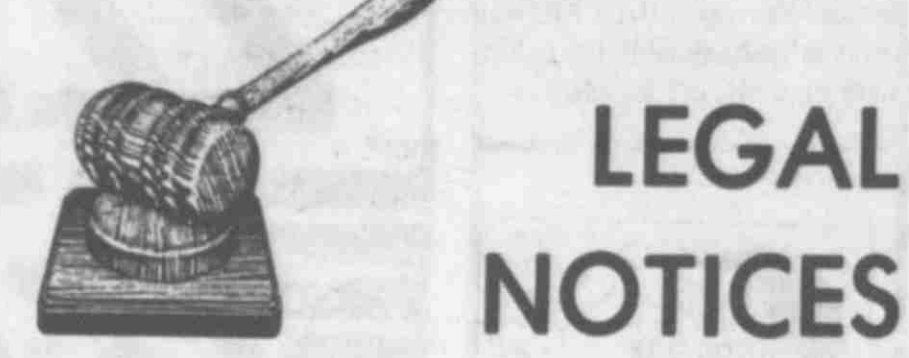
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## LEGAL NOTICES



**STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT PUBLICATION OF CLAIMS NOTICE**  
FILE NO. 85,142587-SE  
Estate of RONALD D. KATHAN, Deceased  
TAKE NOTICE: Creditors of Ronald D. Kathan, Deceased, of 750 Fuller, N.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan, who died on July 30, 1985, Social Security Number 381-16-6552, are notified that all claims against the decedent's estate are barred against the estate, the Personal Representative and the heirs and devisees of the decedent, unless the claims are presented either personally or by mail to the following Personal Representative on or before January 30, 1985: Maureen Pawloski and Kathy Noskey 899 Cumberland, Lowell, MI 49331.  
Dated: October 30, 1985  
Michael J. Tummino, Jr.  
Bar No. P-21618  
Attorney for Estate  
311 East Main Street  
Lowell, Michigan 49331  
Phone: (616) 897-5931  
C51

**STATE OF MICHIGAN County of Kent Probate Court JUVENILE DIVISION**  
TO: KEN MEEKHOF  
In The Matter Of: Jeremiah MCPARDEN  
Hearing: November 22, 1985, at 3:30 p.m.

**STATE OF MICHIGAN County of Kent Probate Court JUVENILE DIVISION**  
TO: MICHAEL WHITEHEAD AND CARLA CLARK  
In The Matter Of: Kanisha and Lovie CLARK  
Hearing: December 5, 1985, at 2:00 p.m.

**STATE OF MICHIGAN County of Kent Probate Court JUVENILE DIVISION**  
TO: HERBERT AND LINDA SYLVESTER  
In The Matter Of: Toni Renee SYLVESTER  
Hearing: December 23, 1985, at 9:00 a.m.

**STATE OF MICHIGAN County of Kent Probate Court JUVENILE DIVISION**  
TO: ROBERT SIILOP  
In The Matter Of: Crystal KIRKWOOD  
Hearing: December 12, 1985, at 2:00 p.m.

**STATE OF MICHIGAN County of Kent Probate Court JUVENILE DIVISION**  
TO: JOHN P. STEKETEE  
In The Matter Of: [Name obscured]  
Hearing: [Date obscured]  
Dated: October 30, 1985  
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**GRATTAN TOWNSHIP NOTICE**  
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS SPECIAL MEETING  
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing of the Grattan Township Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on:  
**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14**  
at Grattan Township Hall at 8 o'clock P.M. at which time the following subject will be considered and at which time any interested person will be heard.  
Andrew J. Biermacher requests a variance to erect a pole building 30 X 88 feet on a vacant lot by Pioneer Pole Buildings (licensed builders). Property located at 7189 Wabasis Lake Road, Belding, Michigan. Parcel Number 41-12-8-300-005.  
Marilyn A. Hessler  
Secretary, Grattan  
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## "Main Street", cont'd.

### MUDDY WATERS TO SPEAK AT FOOTBALL BANQUET

Players and parents of the Freshman, J.V. and Varsity Football squads will hear the famous Frank D. "Muddy" Waters, current Chairman of the Selection Committee to the Michigan Cherry Bowl. Waters began his career in football as a prep star at Pawling, N.Y. After serving three years in the Air Corps during WWII, he enrolled at Michigan State University where he was a four-year member of the football team as a solid blocker and fullback. Upon graduation he turned down an offer from the Green Bay Packers, and began his illustrious coaching career. His 1951 Walled Lake team went undefeated and won the state championship. A year at Albion preceded his move to Hillsdale where he served as assistant coach and athletic director before becoming the head coach in 1954. During his 20 years at Hillsdale, his teams were ranked nationally 12 times. In 1974 he went to Saginaw State College where he took the school, which was just starting an athletic program, to a football championship in the Great Lakes Conference in just five years. Waters became head coach at M.S.U. in 1980, and stepped down following the 1982 season. As a coach, Waters left behind 21 winning seasons in 29 years.

### OFF THE BLOTTER

Christine Bartrum, 34, of Lowell was injured Monday afternoon, October 28 when the car she was driving was struck from behind by a vehicle driven by Leroy Marshall, 42, of Grand Rapids. The accident occurred on Main Street at Center.

Perry Bieber, 26, of Lowell struck the rear of a car driven by Sharon Vensas, 34, of Grand Rapids, Friday morning, October 25. The accident occurred on Main at Amity Street. No one was injured.

Very minor damage occurred when two vehicles collided on Main Street near Smith Street on Saturday, October 23. Drivers of the two vehicles were Randy Miller, 19 and Kevin Kyser, 31, both of Lowell.

Arrested by Lowell officers Wednesday, October 30, on two criminal bench warrants (1 from 63rd District Court in Grand Rapids, the other from the Greenville District Court) was Lance Willingham, 19, of Lowell.

Raymond Smith, 58, of Richmond, Indiana collided with a car driven by Robert Mierkalis, 27, of Lowell on Chatham and Lincoln Lake Street, Friday morning, November 1. No one was injured.

Lowell officers investigated 38 accident complaints in the month of October, bringing the total number of accidents investigated for the year to 235.

The Lowell Medical Unit was dispatched to 16 medical runs in the month of October, bringing their total for the year to 181 runs.

## Krause addresses business group

About 25 business men and women from the area met with State Representative Vic Krause Monday morning for breakfast at the Afterdeck Restaurant. Krause spoke on a variety of subjects, but spent most of his time discussing pending reforms in the State's liability laws and court system.

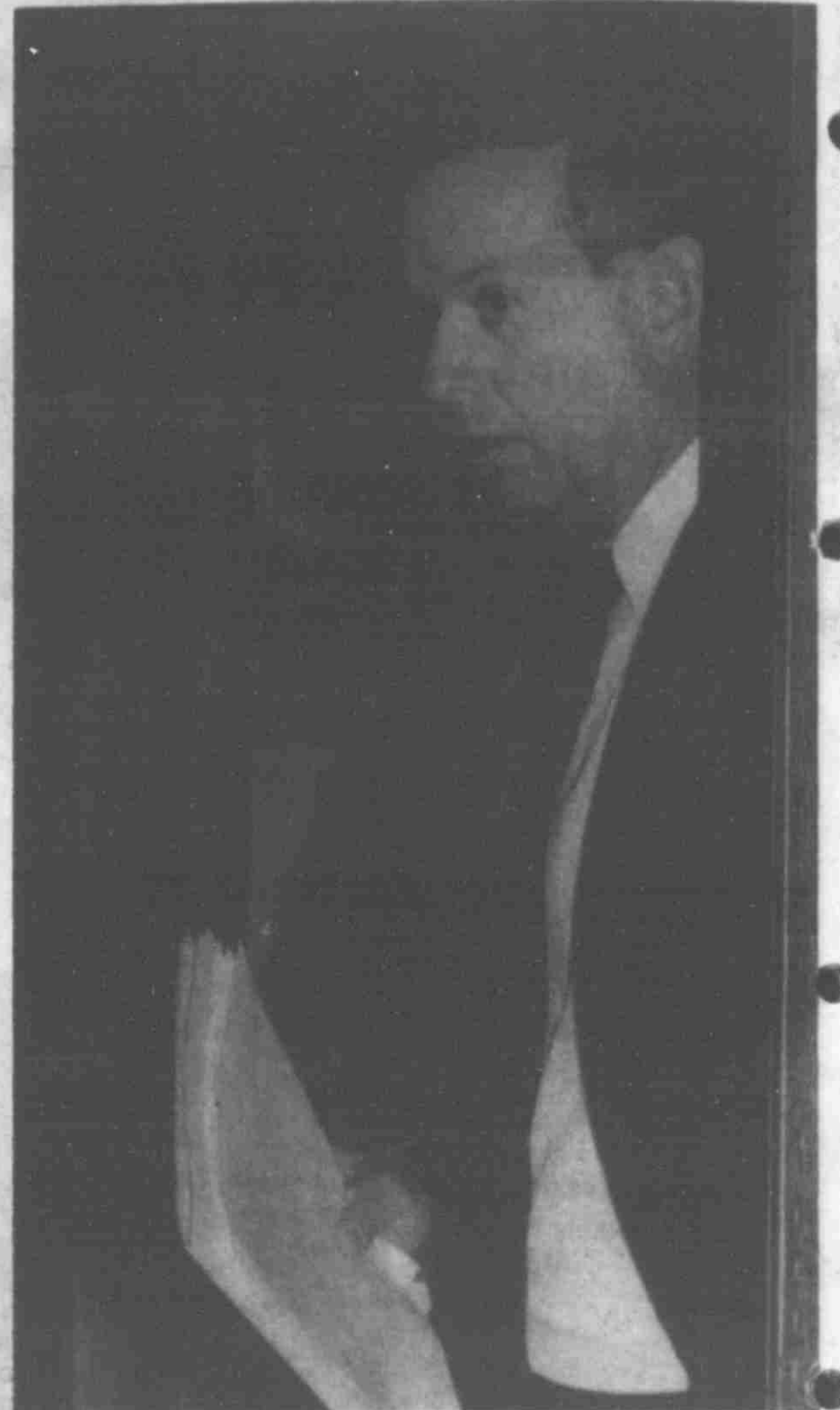
Krause cited Crossbow Catering, a small catering business located at Bostwick Lake, as an example. According to Krause, the business grossed about \$60,000 last year, and had to pay \$6,000 in liability insurance premiums because they dispense liquor at the functions they cater.

Another example he mentioned were defendants in liability cases having to pay unfair shares of the claim because other defendants are financially unable to pay, or protected by incorporations. Krause said that county

road commissions often bear the brunt of such cases. "And that means you and I, the taxpayers are paying", he said.

Krause is backing a "Frivolous Law Suit" bill that would make the plaintiff pay all the defendant and court costs if the case is ruled as frivolous. Krause estimates that 15 to 20% of the 200,000 or so civil cases filed in the state each year could be ruled as frivolous.

Krause invited questions from the audience, and again, most pertained to court reforms. Local attorney Michael Tummino was asked to defend the legal practice in response to a question regarding the lawyer's role in what some feel is an "out of control" legal system. Tummino spoke at some length defending a lawyer's right to advertise, a claimant's right to seek a fair settlement for a disability and



State Representative Vic Krause fields a question from the audience at a Monday morning breakfast meeting. About 25 business men and women were on hand at the meeting.

pointed out that he feels lawyers are doing a pretty good job of weeding out cases that should never be heard. Tummino estimated that he turns away 80 or 90 percent of the liability claims that seek his services.

Krause closed by inviting everyone present to call or write his office whenever in need of his help or advice.

The average person spends about 20 years asleep.

### A LEDGER APOLOGY

The Grand Valley Ledger would like to apologize for overlooking a rather important event in the community. As many of you probably know, Tuesday, November 5 was election day, and three City Council seats were decided. Three incumbents, Dean Collins, Jack Fonger and Phil Schneider along with one challenger Charlie Doyle were vying for the three seats. It was a very quiet election, and the Ledger didn't help matters any by allowing it to pass without a news story. And, to make matters even worse, its a Tuesday election, so our press deadline dictates that we can't even bring you the election results until next week. Again, we apologize for the oversight, will make every effort to prevent a similar situation from occurring in the future.

Roger K. Brown  
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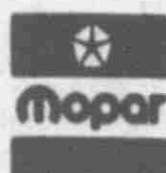
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