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WINTER SPORTS SPECIAL IN NEXT LEDGER

A four page section featuring the Lowell High School winter sports teams will be published in next week's Ledger. Pictures, rosters and schedules for all the teams will be included. The special section was slated for this issue but a mishap at the film processor resulted in the loss of all the team pictures. The pictures are being re-taken, but were not ready in time for this issue.

SANTA PARADE ON LCTV

The Lowell Chamber of Commerce Santa Claus Parade held last Saturday will be aired on Lowell Cable Television's public access channel 2. The footage will be run on Wednesday, December 10 at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, December 11 at 7:00 p.m., Friday, December 12 at noon and Saturday, December 13 at 10:00 a.m.

CURTIS OPENS TANNING SALON

Have a beautiful tan all winter long! Curtis Cleaners have opened Curtis Tanning Salon at their 1410 W. Main Street location. The salon features two advanced tanning beds by Solaire. The beds use the patented Wolfe lighting system. An advertisement on the front page of our TV section offers three free visits. The salon offers reduced rates to members and laundry customers. Call 897-9809 for further information, or to make an appointment.

FIREMEN'S BLOOD DRIVE IS A SUCCESS

Despite inclement weather, the Wednesday, December 3 Blood Drive sponsored by the Lowell Volunteer Fire Department netted 47 pints of blood. In all, 62 donors showed up for the drive, and the firemen would like to thank each and every one of them. Public Relations Officer Frank Leasure says, "Hopefully these donors will make someone's holiday season a little better."

BUGGY RIDES BEGIN TONIGHT!!!

Rides in an old fashioned horse and buggy along a candlelit route will begin tonight, Wednesday, December 10 at 6:30 p.m. The rides will leave from a warm "Coach Stop" at the rear entrance of Lambert Variety. The route will take riders along a candlelit Riverside Drive to Hunt Street, and back again. A nominal fee of \$2.00 per person will be charged. Lee Jeans is helping sponsor the buggy ride program through an arrangement made with Pfaller's Clothing.

Santa Claus will be on hand to visit with children Wednesday at Cousins' Cards and Gifts from 7:00 until 8:00 p.m. Santa will also be at Anderson Family Shoes on Saturday from 2:00 until 3:00 p.m. and at Lambert Variety next Tuesday from 7:00 until 8:00 p.m.

The buggy rides will also be offered on Tuesday and Thursday, December 16 and 18 beginning at 5:30 p.m. each evening.

COUSINS' CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Karin and Joann Hale, proprietors of Cousins' Card and Gift Shoppe are celebrating their second anniversary Friday and Saturday, December 12 and 13. Shoppers and visitors are invited to enter a drawing with a prize of up to \$50.00 in Hallmark merchandise. Also, poinsettias are being offered at just \$1.25 with a purchase. Stop in, do some shopping and wish the "Cousins'" a happy anniversary!

CAFE EUROPA TO OPEN IN ANTIQUE MALL

A touch of Europe is coming to Lowell in the form of Cafe Europa, scheduled to open Friday in the Flat River Antique Mall. The quaint little cafe is located in the large front windows of the mall and will feature delicious soups, quiche, spinach pie, delightful cinnamon rolls and a host of other selections. Take out orders are also welcome.

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Ministerial Assn. donates to TI



Lowell Superintendent of Schools Dr. Fritz Esch accepts a check from Rev. Meg Cobb, Secretary/Treasurer of the Lowell Ministerial Association. Esch and Cobb are flanked by Lowell High School Teens Involved Officers: Peter Kemp, Denise Southland, Kris Stouffer, Lori Esch, Tony Beachler, Glen Rozich, Jamie Andrews, Amy Davis, Nancy Kwant and Tricia Frey.

The Lowell High School Teens Involved group got a shot in the arm from the Lowell Ministerial Association on Monday. The TI group was given a check for \$200 to help send up to 20 TI members to the Camp Pretty leadership training camp.

The Lowell TI group grew out of the L.H.S. Students Against Drunk Driving (S.A.D.D.) about three years ago.

Jamie Andrews, one of the founding members of the group, says Teens Involved was formed

because the group felt S.A.D.D. had a negative connotation (Students Against). Andrews explained, "We are against alcohol and drugs, but we are also for alternative highs." Last year TI staged three sizeable events; a post-prom party, a variety show and TI Day.

This year's TI Day is slated for Saturday, December 13. It will begin with registration at 7:45 a.m. and last until a dance is concluded at 11:30 p.m. The day's activities include speakers,

family group sessions, skill builder classes, alternative highs, a Donahue style talk show, a movie, athletics, two meals and a dance. A full day of activities in anybody's book.

The Skill Builder classes include cake decorating, Christmas arts and crafts, drama, fitness, massage and relaxation techniques, radio broadcasting, the perfect college and mime. The Alternative Highs include cheerleading, dating and relating, dance, floor hockey,

scruples, sharing personal experiences and volleyball.

The TI Directors say all students need bring is the \$2.50 registration fee, a smile and a positive attitude. The event is open to all Lowell High School students. Anyone seeking more information should contact TI Officers: Amy Davis, Jamie Andrews, Tricia Frey, Denise Southland, Tony Beachler, Pete Kemp, Nancy Kwant, Glen Rozich, Kris Stouffer, Lori Esch or TI Counselor Barb Pierce.

Three accidents claim six lives

Six traffic fatalities over the past few days are linked to the Lowell area. An Alto woman and her three children were among five who drowned after their vehicle slid off an icy road and into a Calhoun County pond last week. David Alan Wheeler, 31, of 1800 W. Main, Lowell was killed early Saturday when his vehicle crossed the centerline of M-57 west of Myers Lake Rd. and collided with an oncoming vehicle. Diann Bekkering, 23, of 322 E. Madison, Hastings was dead on arrival at Butterworth Hospital Monday afternoon as the result of a collision on Alden Nash near 40th St.

Sherry Theodore, 24, of Alto, and her children, Anna, 2; Emily, 3; and Anthony, 4; and Julio Theodore, 28, the brother of Sherry's ex-husband were all pronounced dead by two Battle Creek area Hospitals. Police say their car was headed south on Waubascaon Road just north of Halbert Road. The car apparently left the icy roadway north of Battle Creek in Calhoun County's Bedford Township. The car was towed from about four feet of water by a wrecker



Diann Bekkering of Hastings was killed Monday when she lost control of her Buick Skyhawk (right) and skidded into the path of the Ford Pinto driven by Terry McCaul of Lowell. The accident happened on Alden Nash just north of 40th St. at about 2:45 p.m.

before police and rescue personnel could extract the five victims.

The car had turned over and was upside down in the pond. The vehicle was spotted by a

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IN THE SERVICE



Army National Guard Private Richard S. Jastifer, son of Clayton and Dorothy Jastifer of 2383 Pettis, Ada, has completed basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, MO.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Mr. Terrance C. DeBold has entered the United States Air

Force's Delayed Enlistment Program (DEP). According to SSgt Tory J. Klamka, the Air Force recruiter here, his entry into the DEP allows the Air Force to schedule an opening for him to attend basic training and be assigned to a job or skill area.

Mr. DeBold will be a 1987 graduate of Lowell High School and will enter the United States Air Force on June 30, 1987. Following graduation from the six-week basic training course at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, he will receive technical training as a Security Specialist and be assigned to a duty station.

Mr. Kurtis J. Kropf has entered the United States Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program (DEP). According to SSgt Tory J. Klamka, the Air Force recruiter here, his entry into the DEP allows the Air Force to schedule an opening for him to attend training and be assigned to a job or skill area.

Mr. Kropf is a 1986 graduate of Lowell High School and will enter the United States Air Force

on July 21, 1987. Following graduation from the six-week basic training course at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, he will receive technical training in the General Area and be assigned to a duty station.

Marine Pfc. James L. Watrous, son of Ralph L. and Alyce M. Lawrence of 13889 Covered Bridge Road, Lowell, recently reported for duty with 1st Force Service Support Group, Camp Pendleton, CA.

Airman Steven D. Forwerck, son of James D. Forwerck and stepson of Mary A. Forwerck of 5254 Page Road, Saranac, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force aerospace ground equipment mechanic course at Chant Air Force Base, IL.

During the course, students were taught to repair generators, gas turbines and hydraulic pumping equipment. They also earned credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

His mother is Trudy A. Forwerck.

BURDETTE - Mrs. Virginia M. Burdette, of Lowell, passed away December 6, 1986 at the age of 69. She is survived by her son, David Burdette; grandchildren, David, Cole, Belinda and Kish, all of Lowell; brothers, Bud Sweet of Dowagiac, MI, Jack Sweet of Ft. Worth, TX; sister, Charity Nowak of Kalamazoo. The Funeral Service was held Monday, December 8 at the Roth-Gerst Chapel. Pastor Joseph Fremmer of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church officiating. Interment Riverside Cemetery, Kalamazoo.

Arrangements by Roth-Gerst, Lowell

THEODORE - Mr. Julio Theodore, of Wayland, passed away of accidental injuries at the age of 28. Funeral Services were held Tuesday, December 9 at the Roth-Gerst Chapel.

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WHEELER - Mr. David A. Wheeler, of Lowell, passed away December 6, 1986 of accidental injuries at the age of 31. He is survived by his wife, Judy; children, Michael and Julie; parents, Fred and Majorie Zerbe of Alto; brothers, Gary Wheeler and wife Diane of Greenville, John Zerbe and wife Julie of Alto; sisters, Connie Taylor and husband Rick, Sonja Ryan and husband Leo, Dorene Sauer and husband Dino; grandmother, Florence Zerbe of Alto; close friend, Laurie McDonald. The Funeral Service was held Tuesday, De-

cember 9 at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Rev. John VanderMay officiating. Interment Bowne Center Cemetery.

Arrangements by Roth-Gerst, Lowell

BOWYER - Mrs. Ida C. Bowyer, of Jenison, formerly of Wyoming, passed away Tuesday, December 2, 1986 at the age of 60. She is survived by her children, Robert Bowyer, James and Linda Cleveland, Dick and Connie Krzeminski, Terry and Sue Bowyer, Edward and Julie Bowyer, Martin John and Michele Bowyer, all of the Grand Rapids area; five grandchildren; five brothers, Henry and Marie Postma, Martin and Barbara Postma, Kenneth and Lois Postma, Joe and Maureen Postma, all of the Grand Rapids area; a sister, Mrs. Duane (Martha) Wilson of Wyoming; brother-in-law, Norman and Esther Hall of Alto; several nieces and nephews. Funeral Services were held Friday, December 5 at the Ronan-Vanderpool-Stegenga Chapel with Pastor R. Lee Buer officiating. Interment Restlawn Memorial Park.

Arrangements by Roth-Gerst, Lowell

VALENTINE - Mrs. Marie V. Valentine, of Freeport, died Monday, December 1, 1986 at Penock Hospital at the age of 92. She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Margrete Flynn of Portage, Mrs. Mayoma Dawson of Lowell, Mrs. Shirley DeLong of Portage; one son, Burl Valentine of Washington D.C.; 12 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren. Funeral Services were held Friday, December 5 at the Wren Funeral Home, Hastings.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Roger,

I would like to thank Lee's Landing, Harold Zeigler Ford, Gloria Graber and her volunteers, as well as the community of Lowell, in making the YMCA Pancake Breakfast such a great success.

Last Saturday morning Gloria was able to gather twelve adult volunteers, 16 youth (under the leadership of Phil and Kathleen Beachler) and her sleepy husband to flip 'n serve 600 or so pancakes to a community eagerly awaiting the Santa Claus parade. The result was not only

a good meal, good time and warm coffee but support for the YMCA's youth basketball program for 1986-87.

We should recognize the contributions of Lee's Landing in providing such a wonderful place for this annual event and Harold Zeigler Ford in contributing towards offsetting all costs, which meant all \$335 will help the YMCA's program.

And thank you to all of those who came out! It was a great day for our organization and this town!

Jim Hodges
Y-Director

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Coming Events

Notices in the Ledger's "Coming Events" are free of charge to any non-profit organization in the Lowell, Ada, Alto, and Saranac areas. 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.

EVERY TUESDAY Flat River Woodcrafters meet from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Lowell YMCA. New members welcomed.

EVERY SECOND TUESDAY The Lowell Area Fishing Club now meets at the Flat River Snowmobile Clubhouse on Potters Road, just East of Montcalm Ave, at 7:00 p.m. All prospective members or interested individuals are cordially welcome.

QUA-KE-ZIK SPORTSMEN'S CLUB meets every 2nd and 4th

Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. at the Club building at 11400 Foreman Road, Lowell.

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 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.

WED., DECEMBER 10: The Lowell Women's Club will meet at Schneider Manor at 12:00 Ann Booth, sponsor. Luncheon is in charge of Joy Sargeant. Members will exhibit Christmas craft items, limit 3. Mini-report on International Affairs will be given by Tricia Frey and Darcie Rickert. The 1987 HOBY candidate will be introduced. A highlight of the season is the annual concert and sing-along to be presented by the Lowell High School Chorus with Mr. Paul Balaam, Director.

HOT LUNCH MENU WEEK OF DECEMBER 15, 1986

MONDAY

Ravioli or Italian Spaghetti, coleslaw or veggie, French bread w/p-nut butter, assorted fruits or pudding, milk.

TUESDAY

Fish Sticks or Swiss Steak, mashed potatoes w/gravy or sweet potatoes, green beans or peas, Hillbilly rolls w/honey butter, jello w/whip or fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY

Cheeseburgers or Hot Dogs, lettuce salad w/dressing, buttered mixed veggies or corn, chilled fruits or jello, bars or cookies, milk.

THURSDAY

Fruit Juice, Pizza w/meat and cheese, carrot sticks or salad, choice of fresh or canned fruit, milk.

FRIDAY

Grilled Cheese or Tuna Salad Sandwiches, potato chips and pickles, soup or salad, fruit or jello or pudding, cookies or bars, milk.

Price of lunches to students includes milk. Elementary 85¢, Middle and Senior High 90¢.

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Choir Concert 7-9 p.m. in the Middle School cafeteria.

THURS., - SAT., DECEMBER 11-13: Vesta Chapter #202 Order of the Eastern Star will sponsor a Christmas Arts and Craft Fair at the Ada Masonic Temple in Ada. Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus will be visiting Friday and Saturday. Public welcome. Lots of good Christmas shopping.

THURS., DECEMBER 11: Cheese and Rice will be distributed from 10:00 - 5:00 at the Lowell Moose Club, 210-1/2 Main St.

FRI., DECEMBER 12: There will be a Potluck dinner before the regular monthly meeting of Cyclamen Chapter #94 O.E.S. at 6:30 p.m. Meeting 8 p.m. in the Lowell Masonic Temple. Bring a dish to pass and own table service.

FRI., DECEMBER 12: Alto Christmas Concert at 2:00 p.m. at the Alto Elementary School.

SAT., DECEMBER 13: The Lowell Area Boy Scout Pack #3102 is holding a bake sale at the Lowell Antique Mall in downtown Lowell from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Our scouts need your continued support to raise funds for this year's activities. Save yourself time and energy - get your Christmas cookies from us!

MON., DECEMBER 15: Middle School Caroling Party 6-8 p.m. at the Lowell Middle School.

WED., DECEMBER 17: High School Band and Choir Concert from 6-9:30 p.m. High School gym.

FRI., DECEMBER 19: Cub Scout Pack 3188 annual service.

Christmas Play will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Lowell Middle School auditorium.

SAT., DECEMBER 20: Shirley McKinny, Worthy Grand Matron, will be the Instructor at School of Instruction of Cyclamen Chapter #94 O.E.S. at 1 p.m. in the Lowell Masonic Temple.

SAT., DECEMBER 20: For the second year, the Bowne Center United Methodist Church will present a live nativity as a "drive-thru" experience. The manger scene may be observed from 6-9 p.m. The church is located on the corner of 84th St. and Alden Nash Road near Alto.

Enter off of 84th and follow the luminaries to the stable. Roll down your windows and hear the sounds of Christmas. Cars are asked to exit onto Alden Nash Rd. (M-50).

SUN., DECEMBER 21: The Children's Christmas Program at the First United Methodist Church of Lowell will be held at 4:00 p.m.



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Local art competition wins honors

Twenty-three pieces recently exhibited at the Lowell Area Arts Council Center have been selected to be on exhibit in the Governor's Office in Lansing from early December until March 1, 1987. All this is part of Mrs. Blanchard's Made in Michigan project.

Artists will be invited to attend a photo session and reception with Mrs. Blanchard sometime in mid January.

Featured will be works by David Ball, Roy Beardslee, Larry Blovits, James Clover, Marlan Winter-Cotter, David F. Davis, Mary Doezema, Deborah Gryka, Betty Gutsell, Debra Gritter, Jacqueline Harlow, Madeline Kaczmarczyk, Patrick Kelley, Jeremy Long, David

Lubbers, Treelee MacAnn, Loretta Sailors, Roger Timmerman, Dick Zayac. Both Davis and Zayac are Lowell residents.

Women of the Moose to hold Christmas party

Normas Hemingsen Social Service Chairman and her committee will have a Christmas Party December 15th. The business meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m., the Social Hour at 6:30 p.m., and dinner will follow at 7:00 p.m. Each co-worker is asked to bring a dish to pass, a \$3.00 gift for exchange and a white elephant for the Chinese Auction. The Chapter will furnish the refreshments, meat, coffee, rolls, butter and table service.

Zigmont wheelchair drive still active

Larry Mikulski, pictured on the far right, is seen here presenting a check to Richard Korb, chairman of the fund drive for Laura's wheelchair. Donations are still being accepted. It is hoped that by the end of the holiday season the total goal of \$6,000 will be reached. Anyone still interested in contributing may contact Dick Korb at Lowell Senior High School, 897-9202.

Seated next to Dick and Laura is Laura Zigmont in her new specialized electric wheelchair.



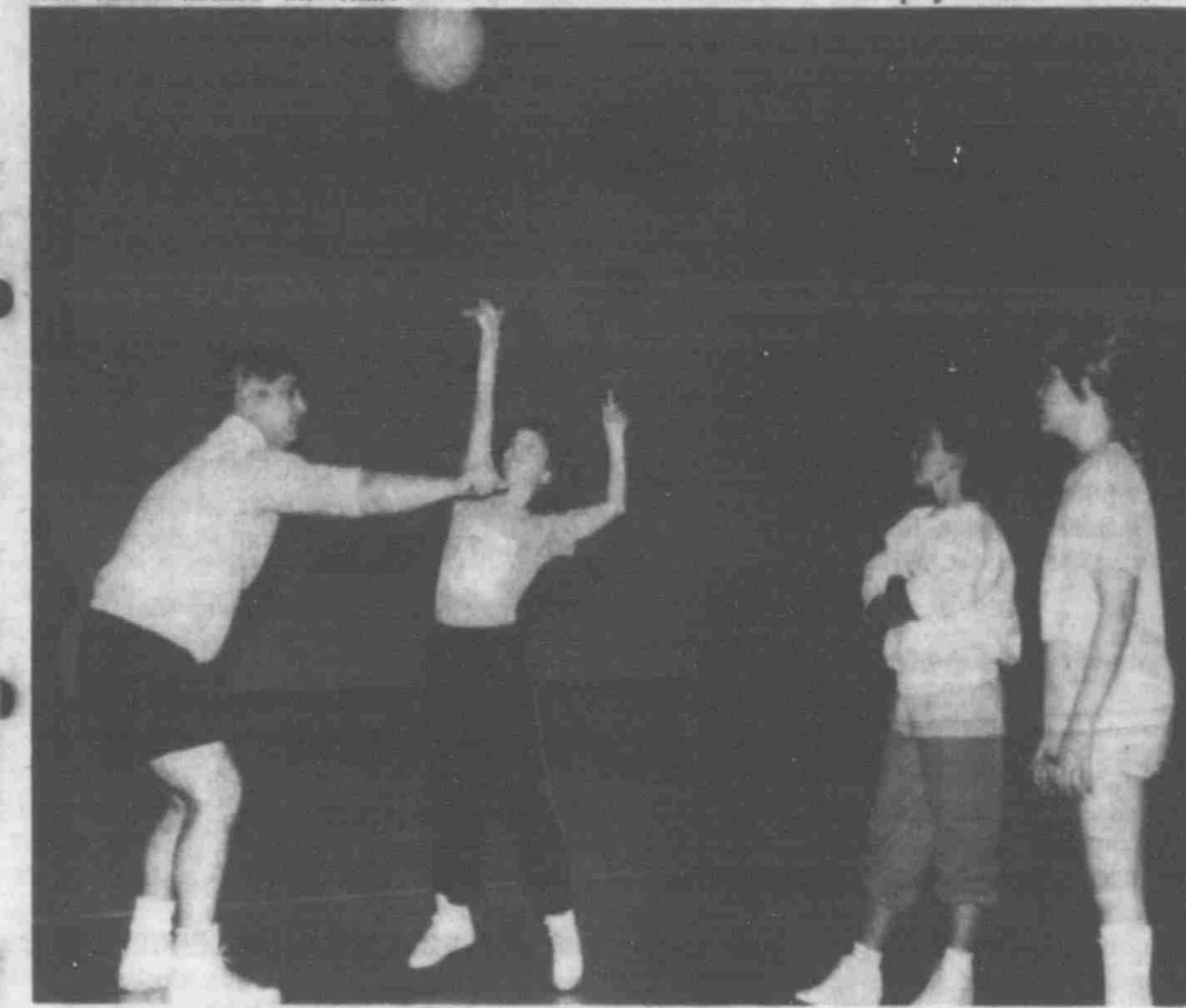
Pictured from Left to Right are Laura Zigmont, Richard Korb and Larry Mikulski.

Basketball Clinic at Middle School

On Wednesday, December 3 the Lowell YMCA hosted a Youth Basketball Players Clinic at the Lowell Middle School gym. Red Arrow, Varsity Coach Ken Akers headed the clinic along with Junior Varsity Coach Kurt Holzhueter, and freshman Coach Phil Beachler. The coaches split up the group of about twenty players and worked with them on various skills such as dribbling, passing and shooting. The coaches even had time to do some individual work with each of the players. At the end of the clinic Coach Akers talked to the players about attitude, and the time and dedication it takes to become a good player. He also told players that they need to get started playing at a young age so that they have the time to practice and develop into a varsity player.

The clinic was a great success, and the YMCA would like to thank Coach Akers, his staff, and also some of his varsity players who helped out at the clinic. The young players were very fortunate to get the chance to work with such a fine bunch of coaches.

The YMCA would like to remind all boys and girls in grades 3rd thru 6th that Thursday, December 11 is the last day of registration to get on a team. Also, we would like to remind everyone to stop by and see the High School teams in action.



Pictured from Left to Right are: Ken Akers, Amy Vezino, Krista Posthumus and Heather Pelon. Ken helps Amy with her shot during last Wednesday's YMCA basketball clinic.

cozy corner

by Roger Brown

I'm a big proponent of shopping locally. I own a business in Lowell. My wife works in Lowell. My kids go to school in Lowell. We all live in Lowell. As far as I'm concerned, it only makes good sense to support my friends and neighbors doing business here.

Even though I'm a staunch "Shop Lowell" kinda guy, I have to admit that there are several things on my Christmas shopping list that I simply can't buy in Lowell. Jewelry for Terese, Boy Scout paraphernalia for Casey, Monkees tapes for Angie, "Masters of the Universe" toys for my nephew, etc. I finally admitted to myself that a trip to the dreaded malls was inevitable.

I chose Monday night because it featured lousy road conditions, and I reasoned that most people wouldn't brave them for a little Christmas shopping. There was probably less congestion than normal for this time of year, but still enough to run my blood pressure up a few pounds per square inch.

Terese dropped me at Breton Village Mall while she went to a nearby salon for a haircut. As far as I'm concerned, Breton Village doesn't have too much to offer, especially if you're stuck there for an hour or so. There are very few toys and no record stores or Boy Scout merchandise. I was pretty much left with only one place to shop, and that was a jewelry store. I didn't see anything I liked, at least at a price I was willing to pay, so I was left with an hour to kill.

I wandered aimlessly. I checked out the window display in a lingerie shop, but didn't see anything I liked. Well, I didn't see anything I liked that I could talk Terese into wearing. I went into a fish market, and wondered what everyone would think if they found fresh filets in their stockings. I ended up spending most of my time in a book store where I leafed through several sailing calendars and chuckled my way through some "Far Side" books. It wasn't very productive Christmas shopping.

Terese finally came to the rescue, and we were off to Eastbrook Mall. There has been some talk of a fur coat around our place. Terese and her mother have been shopping critter coats, and this whole issue will likely be the source of material for a future column. For the time being I'm just lying kinda low, and gathering strength for the eventual big push.

Being the sly little thing she is, Terese made sure we used the mall entrance that took us by a fur salon which had a coat she liked. Caught off guard, I consented to a show. The old blood pressure went up a few more pounds per square inch as the salesman tried to tell me what a wonderful investment a fur coat is. I was given a lecture on being rude to salesmen after leaving the shop. I didn't think I was so rude. Heck, I could have ripped open my shirt and flashed my Greenpeace T-shirt at him!

From there we actually did some shopping. We picked up a couple of items for the kids, Terese found something for her mother, and I bought the new "Police" album for myself. Hey, I never claimed to be a philanthropist.

I checked out those "Masters of the Universe" toys for my nephew, but just couldn't force myself into buying him one. I know they are what he wants, but they are all so evil and vicious looking, and he's such a cute little kid, that I have trouble giving him an "Evil Slime Pit" or "Castle Grayskull". I guess I still think of toys as Tonka trucks, electric trains and fire engines. They say old age is when the narrow waist and broad mind begin to trade places, and I guess this is a good example.

There are still a few things left on our lists that require a trip to Woodland Mall, but it was closing time when we left Eastbrook. The mere thought of another trip to that particular spot on the planet sent my blood pressure up a few more pounds per square inch. By the time Christmas gets here I'm afraid they'll have to check my blood pressure with a tire gauge!

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DECEMBER 12: Joyce Stormzand, Brad Briggs, Patrick Rasch.
DECEMBER 13: Susan Dombak, Orand Kazemier, Carla Rozman, Christina Thaler, Doug Wester.
DECEMBER 14: Chris

Kropf, Julie Tarak, Tim Metternick, Denise Southland.

DECEMBER 15: David Kryger, Richard Yseldyke, Danny Kathan, Karen Latva, Ellen Kwant.

DECEMBER 16: Marilyn Keim, JoAnn Frey, Helen Waters, Jim Willyard, Joan Carless, Ernie Blasher, David Blakeley, Russ Breckon, John Osmolinski, Klass Kwant, Jeff Hendrick.

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Homespun Devotions

By Pauline Spray

My help cometh from the Lord... (Psalm 121:2).

A math teacher was explaining how to work carry over addition problems. "Let's take this problem," he said, "thirty-six and twenty-eight. Six and eight are fourteen. Put the four down here and carry the one to the top of the next column."

But one of the youngsters who hailed from the deep Southland just couldn't understand.

"Put down the four and carry the one," the teacher said over and over.

Still the boy did not catch on. Finally, a classmate sitting close by leaned over and whispered, "Tote it over. Tote it over." Immediately, the light dawned.

The song tells us to take our burdens to the Lord and leave them there. Too often we fail to heed the poet's advice. We struggle with our troubles until we are worn out when all the time the Lord is waiting to carry them for us.

Once we have cast our troubles upon the Lord, Christians, and learned the lesson of trusting Him, we find (contrary to the principles of addition) that it is necessary to "tote them over" from day to day. In fact, we do not have to "carry them" at all.

Prayer: O Lord, my help cometh from Thee. I do not have to "tote" my problems from day to day. In fact, I do not have to "carry them" at all, for I am trusting Thy care. Amen.

How gentle God's commands!
How kind His precepts are!
Come, cast your burdens on the Lord,
And trust His constant care.
PHILIP DODDRIDGE

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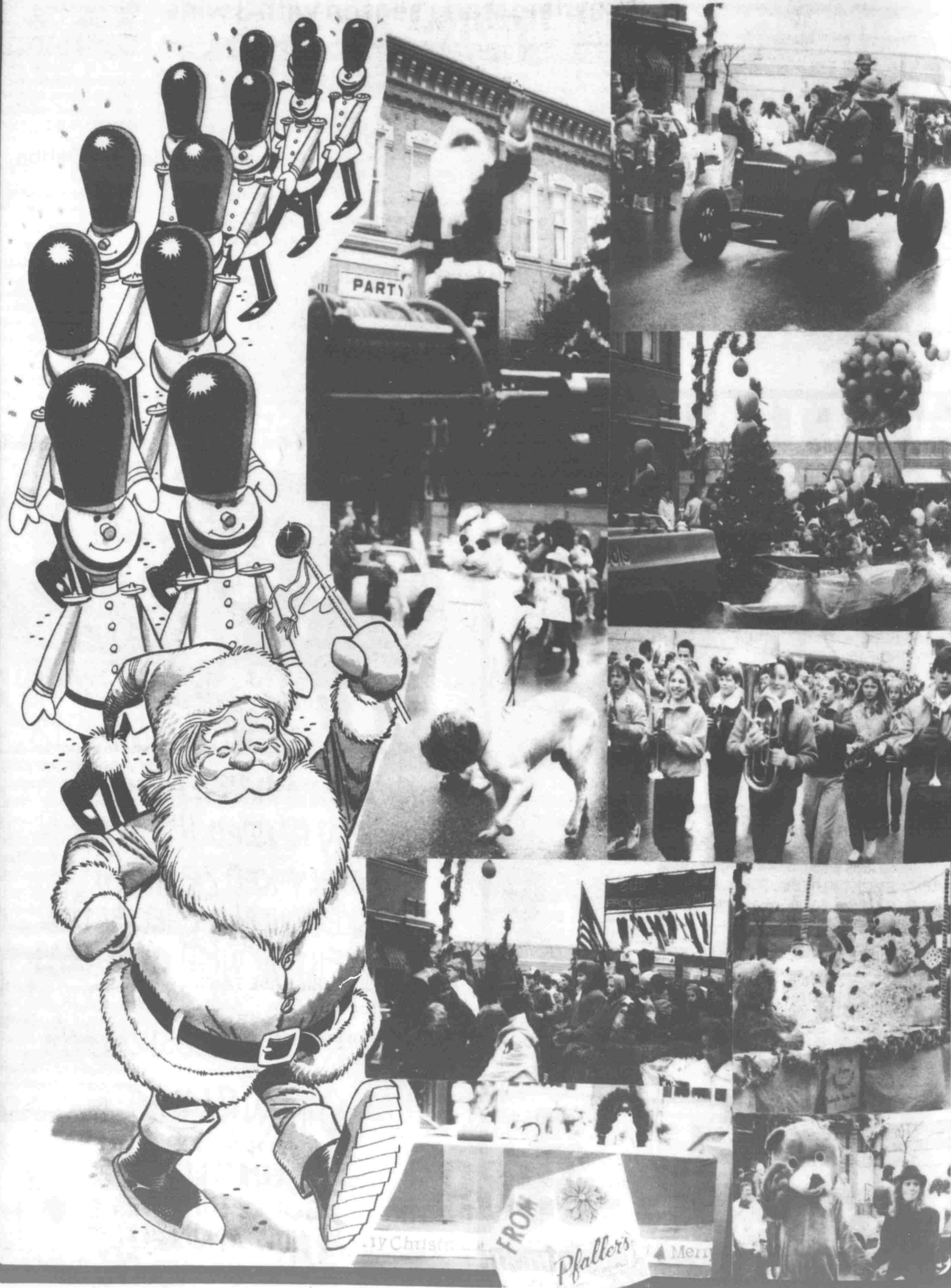
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FRIDAY 12/11/86

- MORNING
5:00 AWA Wrestling (R)
5:05 [MAX] MOVIE: 'Adventures of Buckaroo Banzai: Across the 8th Dimension'

FRIDAY'S MOVIES

- 5:05AM [MAX] - 'Adventures of Buckaroo Banzai: Across the 8th Dimension'
7:00AM [MAX] - 'Dreamscape'
8:00AM [HBO] - 'Highpoint'

- 11:00 [MAX] MOVIE: 'High Anxiety'
11:30 Mazda SportsLook (R)
AFTERNOON
12:00 [17] MOVIE: 'Nicholas Nickleby'

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- 11:30 [3] Benny Hill Show
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MORNING
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5:30 27 The More Real People.
6:00 27 News.
6:30 27 Today's Special.

Consumers Power Company offers suggestions for a safe holiday season

Christmas comes but once a year, and along with it comes an advisory from Consumers Power to "think safety" while enjoying the holidays.
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"Read manufacturers' instructions carefully. Make sure you don't overload an electrical circuit with too many lights...

"Capitol Column"
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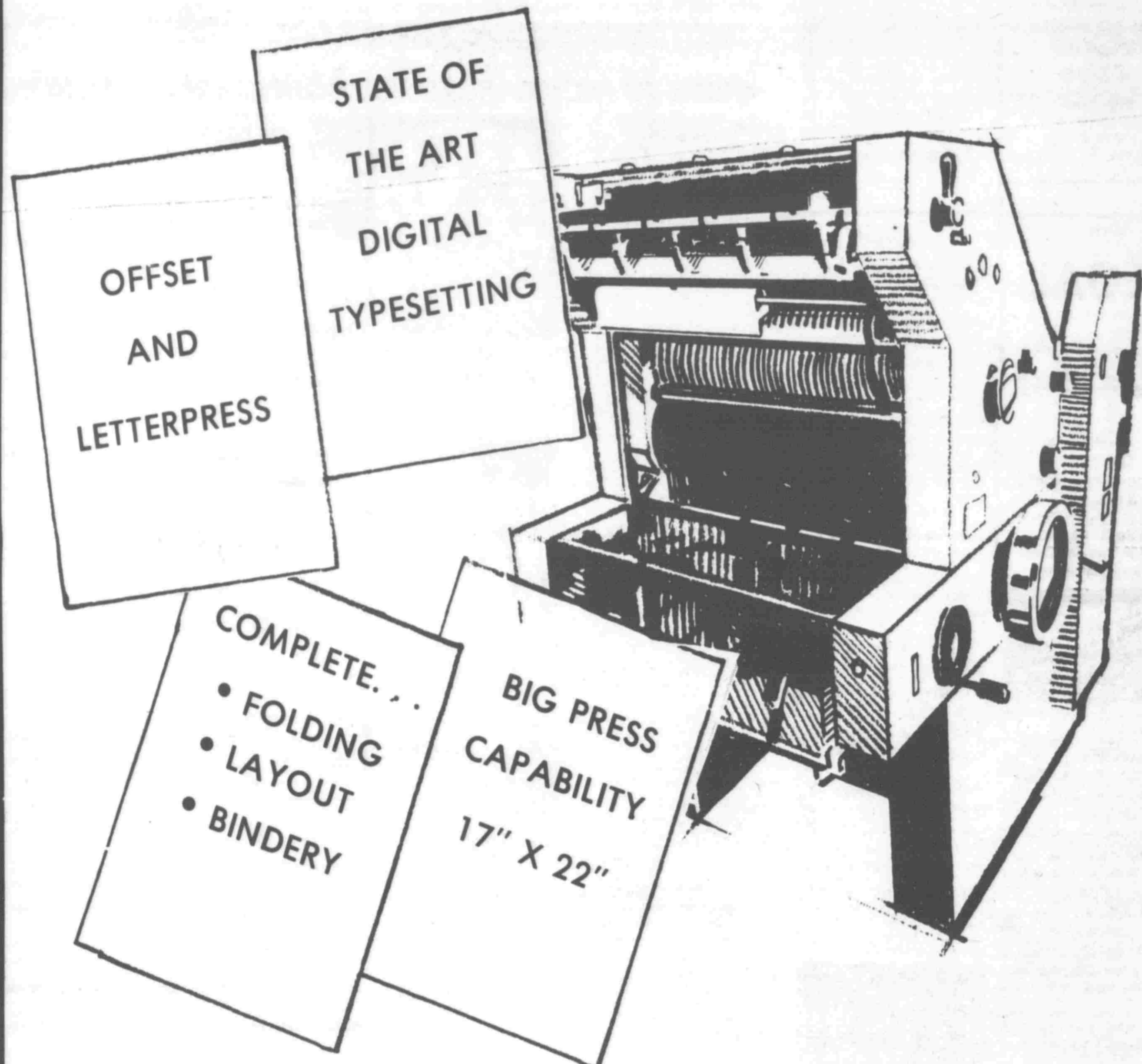
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P3-4

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Home mailing program! Information? Send self-addressed, stamped envelope, dollars weekly, 0-11679 8th Avenue, Department L, Grand Rapids, MI 49504

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HELP WANTED - McDonald's Restaurant is now hiring for part-time nights and weekends (ideal for students). Uniforms, profit sharing and meal policy provided. Flexible work schedules with a starting rate of \$3.75 per hour. Apply in person at 5105 28th Street, (I-96 at Cascade).

HELP WANTED - GOOD MONEY! Weekly! Processing mail information? Rush SASE to: "The Powney Co.," Dept. C, 1219 Hamilton, N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49504.

CTFN

For Sale

FOR SALE - 1977 Volare, \$150, needs battery and voltage regulator. Can be seen at 4409 Snow Avenue or call 897-7653 after 2p.m.

C4

For Sale

1986 BUICK REGAL - NEW car demo, NEW car warranty. Equipped with air, cruise, V8, tilt, chrome wheels, cassette and much more. Save \$\$\$! Thomet Chevrolet-Buick, Lowell, 897-9294.

FOR SALE - 1967 Schultz Mobile Home, 2 bedroom, possible 3 bedroom. Call 897-4292 after 6 p.m.

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FOR SALE - Dune Buggy: fiberglass body on 1963 VW Chassis. Runs great, needs T.L.C. and a mechanic's touch. Make offer. Call 897-9261 days ask for Roger, 897-5381 evenings.

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FOR SALE - Firewood. Call 897-8002

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CHEVROLET 1986 - C70 Chassis-cab, 32,800 GVWR, 3208 Cat diesel, 5-2 speed, Michelins, NEW! Price reduced. Thomet Chevrolet Buick, Lowell, 897-9294.

Thank You

Card of Thanks
We wish to express our gratitude to all our family, friends and neighbors for their cards, flowers, food, money and visits during Tom's illness and after his death.

We also wish to thank Rev. David Hagens, the Congregational Church and Rothgerst Funeral Home.

A special thank you to Jeanne Shores and Bill and Norma Gardner from the Village Inn for their help with the luncheon.

The family of Tom Cornell P4

Card of Thanks
I wish to thank all my friends and family for the cards, flowers, food, and visits. Also, thank-you for the many thoughtful things you have done to make it easier for me.

Arlene Biggs P4

The Census Bureau reports 64.1 percent of the voting age population is registered to vote.



The first president of the U.S. to be born outside the boundaries of the original 13 Colonies was Abraham Lincoln, born in Hodgenville, KY, in 1809.



Theodore Roosevelt was America's first president to fly in an airplane. The event took place in 1910, more than a year after he had left the presidency.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS (REVISED)

Lowell High School will receive sealed bids for the construction of the Energy Retrofit, until 3 o'clock p.m. eastern daylight time, December 17, 1986 at the existing school, located at 12685 Foreman Rd., Lowell, MI.

Bids will be opened publicly and tabulation of bids will be furnished to all bidders as soon as practical.

Lowell High School
Lowell, Michigan

PUBLIC NOTICE

Kent County has reported its annual expenditures of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for the year ended December 31, 1985, to the Michigan Department of the Treasury. A copy of this report is available for public inspection in the Kent County Controller's Office, Kent County Administration Building, 300 Monroe N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan, during normal business hours.

Richard J. Platte
County Controller
C4

LOWELL TOWNSHIP NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on Monday, December 22, 1986 at 8:00 p.m. at the Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Aiden Nash, S.E. to interpret the Zoning Ordinance and to consider a variance request which would allow the Oak Ridge Inn to construct a new building in Section One, Lowell Township.

For further information, please call the Hall at 897-7600 during regular office hours.

Carol L. Wells
Lowell Township Clerk
C4

Chamber sponsors contest

Dress your windows and string some lights, there may be a few bucks to be made for your efforts. The Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce is again sponsoring a home Christmas decorating contest. Homes will be judged the evenings of Thursday and Friday, December 18 and 19.

The contest will be judged by representatives from the Lowell Area Arts Council, Lowell High School, Lowell Light and Power, Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce and an at-large member of the community. Each outdoor display will be judged on creativity, design, originality and overall effect. The judges will begin at 6:30 each evening and will tour the entire community. Those outside the city limits, but still

in the Lowell area can enter the contest by calling the Chamber of Commerce office at 897-8545 between 1:00 and 5:00 p.m. daily. All such calls should be made prior to December 17.

The slate of prizes is even bigger and better than last year. First

place receives \$80.00 in cash, a \$20.00 gift certificate from Lee's Landing and a \$25 cordless screwdriver from Erb Lumber. The second place prize is \$40.00 in cash, a \$20.00 gift certificate from Pfaller's Clothing and a \$20.00 gift certificate from

Hahn's Hardware. Third place will receive \$10.00 in cash, a \$20.00 gift certificate from Anderson Shoes and a \$20.00 gift certificate from the Lowell Sport Shoppe. The cash prizes were donated by Lowell Light and Power and The Lowell Granite Co.

Lowell School Board Briefs:

The Lowell Board of Education held its regular meeting on Monday, December 8, 1986.

Following the payment of bills, Miss Becky Dine and Miss Dawn Thompson of the Lowell chapter of the Future Farmers Association (FFA) gave a slide presentation to the Board and explained their recent competition activities on a state and national level.

In other business, Mrs. Carrie Pelon, a representative of the Lowell Equestrian Team addressed the Board with a request to certify the team as a high school club. After some discussion, the Board asked that the issue come back for further consideration at the January meeting.

The Board adopted the amended resolution to the budget

for the 1986-87 school year. As required by law, periodic amendments to the current year's budget are made to adjust actual expenditures against known revenues.

The Board heard the recommendation by the Transportation Committee regarding the purchase of four buses for the 1987-88 school year. In an effort to test both the International and Ford diesel buses, the Board awarded the bid to purchase two buses from Woodland International and two from Duthler Ford with the bus body bid awarded to Ride Equipment.

A new Board policy entitled "Smoking in Lowell Area Schools Building and Facilities" was accepted on its first reading. The policy will come back for a second reading and probable adoption at the January meeting. The Board approved the employment of Mark Thomas as the 7th grade B basketball coach for the 1986-87 season.

In the last item of business, the Board adopted a resolution to collect summer property taxes in 1987.

DNR suggests State Park permit as Christmas gift

A great Christmas gift idea that's delighted many a family with year-round recreation is the annual State Park Motor Vehicle permit. The 1987 permit, which goes on sale December 1, will cost \$10.00 and is good from January 1 - December 31, 1987.

"An exciting year lies ahead for these vehicle permit holders as our 87 State Parks and Recreation Areas host a number of Sesquicentennial activities in 1987, highlighting Michigan's natural and historic heritage," said De-

partment of Natural Resources (DNR) Director Gordon E. Guyer.

Permits can be obtained at all State Park and Recreation Areas and at the DNR office of Information Services, 7th floor, Mason Building in downtown Lansing/517-373-1220. Written requests for a permit, plus a \$10 check/money order payable to "State of Michigan" should be sent to DNR's Office of Information Services, Box 30028, Lansing, MI 48909.

Accidents, cont'd.

passing motorist at about 11:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 4. Police did not know how long the car had been in the water. The obituary for Sherry Theodore and her three children appears in this issue.

Wheeler was westbound when he collided with an oncoming vehicle driven by Michael Andrews, 45, of 11181 13 Mile Rd., Rockford. Wheeler was pronounced dead at the scene. Andrews was admitted to Butterworth Hospital and was reported in critical condition on Saturday.

Police say Wheeler was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the accident. He worked as a truck driver for Larkin Air-Federal Armed Services Co. His obituary appears in this issue.

Bekkering was northbound on Alden Nash during very snowy and slippery conditions at about

2:45 Monday afternoon. She lost control of her Buick Skyhawk as she crested a hill just north of 40th St. Her vehicle skidded sideways into the southbound lane and was struck squarely in the passenger's side by a southbound Ford Pinto driven by Terry McCaul, 22, of 13515 Grand River Dr., Lowell.

Both Bekkering and McCaul were treated at the scene by Lowell Rescue personnel and later transported to Butterworth Hospital via Life E.M.S. Bekkering was pronounced dead on arrival by Kent County Medical Examiner Dr. Raymond Lang. Lang cited the cause of death as a spinal cord injury to the neck area. McCaul was treated for facial lacerations and possible internal injuries. Both Bekkering and McCaul were wearing seat belts at the time of the accident.

"Main Street", cont'd.

ATTENTION SENIOR PARENTS

Plans are underway for the 1987 Senior All-Nighter, but we need YOU!!! Please plan to attend our first meeting, December 11 at 7:30 p.m. High School K-Quad. If you are unable to attend this meeting, but can help-call Frey's 897-8572 or Nauta's 897-8986.

HOLIDAY ARTS AND CRAFTS SALE AT LAAC

The Holiday Arts and Crafts Sale continues at the Lowell Area Arts Council Center through December 23. Featured are Christmas ornaments, pottery (both decorative and functional), baskets, rugs, pillows, throws, scarfs, wreaths, paintings, sketches, wooden toys, jewelry, and much more. Hours at the Center for this sale are 1-5 p.m. M-F, 10-4:30 Saturdays, and 1:30-4:30 Sundays.

OFF THE BLOTTER

Injured in an accident early Sunday morning, December 7 on East Main near James were Dennis DeWitt, 33, of Lowell, and his passenger, Dana Anderson, 19, of Ionia. DeWitt was attempting to pass a car on the right and struck a parked car owned by Sam Qualls of Lowell. The impact sent DeWitt's pickup and the parked car into a utility pole.

Russell Palmitier of Saranac was involved in a property damage accident Sunday evening, December 7 when he struck a deer that ran in front of his van on East Main St. near the east city limits.

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