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Along Main Street

IMPORTANT HIGH SCHOOL DATES

Here are some important dates and times for students and parents as we start another school year. If you have any questions, be sure to call the High School Student Service Center at 897-4125.

August 8-12	New Student Enrollment - by appointment call 897-4125
August 15-17	Student Schedules Mailed
August 30	School Begins
September	Senior/Parent Interviews begin
September 23	Final registration date for Oct. ACT Test
October 11	Late registration deadline for ACT
October 12	Grand Rapids Area College Night Calvin College
October 22	ACT Testing - Lowell High School

PERSON OF YEAR BANQUET SLATED FOR SEPT. 8

The 3rd Annual Lowell "Person of the Year" Banquet and Golf Outing will be held at Deer Run Thurs., Sept. 8. Cocktails will be at 6 p.m.; Dinner at 7 p.m.; and tee off at 1 p.m.

Tickets are available at Anderson Shoes and Pfallers Clothing, Larkins Saloon, Cousins Cards and Gifts, Lowell Granite or any Chamber of Commerce Board member. Dinner only is \$15.00 per person and Golf and Dinner, which includes 18 holes, cart dinner and prizes is \$35.00 per person.

For more information contact Bob Pfaller at 897-6411; Linda Zaczek at 897-8415 or John Wilterink at 897-7191. Those wishing to nominate a person for this award should call Jerry Patton at 897-9253.

This is a Lowell Chamber of Commerce and Community Education project.

ALEXANDER NAMED CYSTIC FIBROSIS CHAIRMAN FOR LOWELL

Mary Alexander of Pratt Lake Road, Lowell has been named Community Chairperson for Lowell for the 1988 "Breath of Life" Campaign for Cystic Fibrosis.

The president, U.S. Congress and our Governor have officially declared the month of September as CF month

FREE GLAUCOMA SCREENING

Free Glaucoma screening will be available to anyone 18 years of age or older on August 11 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Lowell Senior Center in the basement of the Congregational Church, 404 N. Hudson, Lowell.

Screening will be done by Vision Enrichment Services (formerly the Association for the Blind) of Grand Rapids.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER PLAYERS

A reminder that practice begins Monday, August 15, 1988. Time and place will be in next week's Ledger. All need to attend whether you have signed up or not.

REMINDER - YMCA POOL OPEN THROUGH AUGUST

"Just a reminder" that the Lowell YMCA Pool is open until August 30. Open swim and family swim hours remain the same. We still have dates available for group and private rentals at a cost of \$40 an hour. For information on swimming pool hours, call 897-8869.

LOWELL YMCA SOFTBALL NEWS

The Lowell YMCA's Men's Softball Tournament will be held on two weekends. You have a choice of either weekend or your team may play both weekends.

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VILLAGE PARTY SHOPPE - Lotto, LIQUOR, coldest beer in town, no keg deposit. Call 897-8791.

VILLAGE INN - Daily specials - Kitchen open until 2 a.m. - Beer specials 2-5 p.m. M-F. Call 897-8880.

BROKEN WHEEL CAFE - Free meal special. Free meal with purchase of business. Take-out - call 897-0013.

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

HUCKLEBERRY'S SIDEWALK CAFE - Serving daily specials, sandwiches, desserts and cold drinks. Take-outs are welcomed. Call 897-8120.

CRANBERRY URN ANTIQUES - Furniture, dolls, clocks, art, glass, china, lamps, and jewelry. Come & Browse, Tues., Wed., Fri. & Sat. 10-5 p.m.

MCGEE HOMESTEAD - Bed and breakfast, 2534 Alden Nash N.E., Lowell. 897-8142.

MUSIC MASTER - 109 W. Main, Rivertown Mall. 897-6040

MODERN PHOTOGRAPHICS - Lowell YMCA team pictures are in and may be picked up.

Showboat profit reaches \$10,000

As it appears now, the profit excess from the 1988 Lowell Showboat extravaganza is \$10,000.

"The Showboat committee would have considered the Showboat a success if we had broken even," Showboat President, Ray Quada said.

Quada feels the success should help nurture the quantity of volunteer help. "I think the prospects for volunteer help is greatly enhanced when the image portrayed is of an organization in good shape," he said. "People don't volunteer when the organization isn't going anywhere."

He continues, "Showboat has already begun to see additional volunteers come forward be-

cause of its success."

Showboat, which began the year with \$1,500 in the bank, now has roughly \$15,000, that includes funds from donations, program sales and concessions.

Areas which will receive a more concentrated focus in 1989 include better guidance and/or help in the sales process and direct assistance in lining up bus tours. Quada suggests that the three or four the Showboat had in 1988 should be closer to 20-25.

The costs for the 1988 Showboat was roughly \$40,000, including such things as performers and advertising.

Quada, who has presided over the Showboat as its president for six years added that Showboat

would like to establish a system where the president changes every year, with the previous president working with the incoming president the following year.

"Establishing a system where there are new faces every year, gets more people involved and provides fresh thoughts and ideas," Quada said.

The Showboat board has asked Quada to serve one more year as its president as it works to select his replacement.

Projects Quada says the Showboat will undertake for '89 include establishing a capital improvement fund. Its use will be for stage, boat, and bleacher improvements. Other anticipated projects are an operating fund;

and a solicitation campaign.

The Showboat president adds that he would like to see \$5,000 earmarked each year toward the operating fund. This could help serve as a start-up and maintaining fund for the next year.

Quada suggested that the Showboat has two purposes, to provide quality entertainment and to raise funds for a special, worthwhile project within the community.

Lowell citizens interested in working on the 1989 Showboat can contact Ray Quada, 897-8533; Bonnie Grooters, 897-7451; Gordon Gould, 949-8777; James Reagan, 897-7179 or Judy Straub at 897-7904.

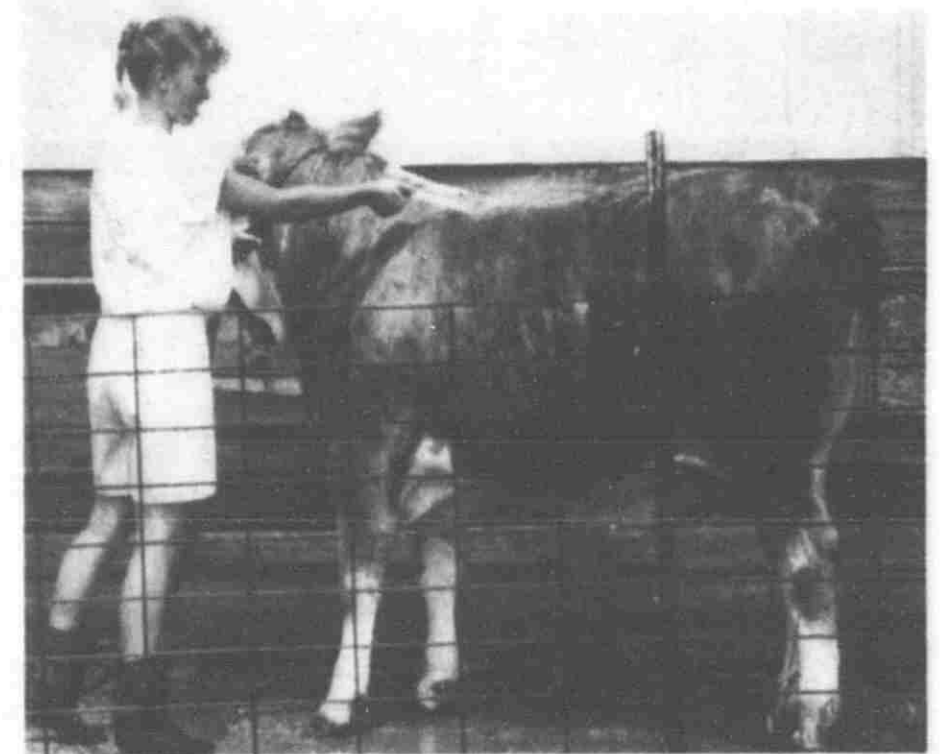
"Now's the time when help is needed and work should be started for '89," Quada said.



Driving in the heat isn't a whole lot of fun for youngsters either.

4-H Fair Days

Picture yourself at the 54th Annual Kent County 4-H Youth Fair. Why not, Some 15,000 people are expected to walk the fairgrounds this week (Aug. 8-13). Pictures and a story are inside this week's Ledger.



It wasn't just hot and humid for the people that attended the Kent County 4-H Youth Fair Monday. The farm animals needed a splash or two also.

Plans laid for millage campaign

A well organized, focused and concentrated special millage campaign was let out of the hat, so to speak, at the August board meeting.

Dick Korb, Linda Zaczek and Dave Burdette, in charge of administration, organization and survey, presented the board with the campaign strategy and its focus.

Korb said the theme will be "Keeping in Step" for Kids.

The campaign approach will be done in a two-phase strategy. The first phase will be employee education and their commitment. This will include a breakfast kickoff meeting. At the meeting a button promotion will be revealed.

Another part of the first phase will include "Me and three" pledge cards. This is where the education employees' commitment will come in. Each individual will be asked to contact three people within the Lowell district (neighbors), explain the special millage election, answer any questions, and encourage them to vote on Sept. 26.

Many employees will also be asked to help with telephone survey and with the election day reminder calls.

Phase two, entitled positive voter registration, will include compiling names, addresses, and phone numbers of all Lowell School parents by building.

Possibly the most important part of this phase will be calling parents and compiling survey results from discussions with the them -- which will help determine support.

Former teachers living in the district will be identified, all board of education members will be met with and informed about the millage campaign, businesses and community will be targeted for the button campaign, windows and sign board space will be initiated by messages of support.

"I am very pleased with the initial response from business and community leaders," Korb said.

Korb added that political endorsements will also be sought.

The Lowell High School principal was very clear in wanting to keep the campaign professional, positive, upbeat and informative.

Obituaries

ATCHISON - Donald J. Atchison Sr., aged 64, of 188 Pettis Rd. S.E., Ada, passed away Sunday evening at Metropolitan Hospital. Surviving are his wife, Katherine; his children, Donna and Jack Harmon, Fran and Fred Gilhoran, Pat and Larry Glass, Barb and Doc Vincent, Helen and Al Dykstra, Betsy Atchison, Mary and Art Markle, Joe and Marie Atchison, Mike and Mary Lou Atchison, D.J. and Anita Atchison, all of Grand Rapids; 21 grandchildren; one great-grandson. Mr. Atchison was a veteran of World War II, 126th Infantry and a former Lear-

Siegler employee. A funeral Mass was celebrated Wednesday morning at 11 a.m. in St. Robert of Newminster Catholic Church. Entombment Resurrection Mausoleum.

DEVRIES - Raymond DeVries, aged 75, of Lowell, passed away August 6, 1988. He is survived by his wife, Genevieve; children, R. George (Beverly) DeVries of Spring Lake, MI, Mrs. Garry (Sandra) McWhinney of Lowell; grandchildren, Genevieve, Robert and David McWhinney, Trisha (Scott) Larsen; one great-grandson, Ryan.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Lowell, Msgr. James P. Moran, of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Lowell, officiating. Interment Resurrection Cemetery.

LEWIS - Miss Shirley M. Lewis, aged 54, passed away unexpectedly Thursday afternoon, August 4, 1988. She was preceded in death by her mother, Mabel F. Lewis on April 6, 1982. She is survived by her father, Floyd B. Lewis of Lowell; three sisters and a brother, Lyle and Alice DeMeester of Cutlerville, Richard and Fern Eldridge,

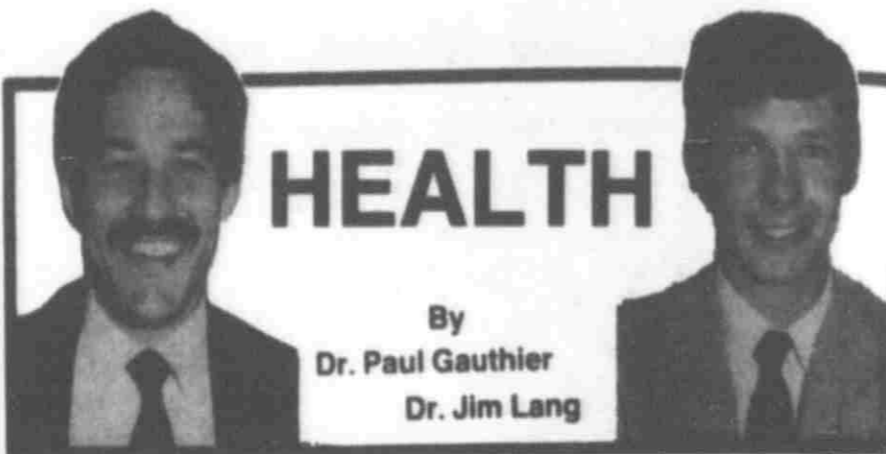
Gerald and Marjorie Baker of Alto, Roger and Sue Lewis of Battle Creek; many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins. A Service of Remembrance was held Sunday afternoon at the Alaska Baptist Church. Interment in Alaska Cemetery.

NICKSON - Albert N. Nickson, aged 75, of Grand Rapids passed away August 5, 1988. He is survived by his sister, Mrs. Marjorie Carpenter and her husband Albert of Cascade; a nephew, nieces; also a dear friend, Helen Webber of Lowell. Funeral Services were held Tues-

day at O'Brien-Eggebeen-Gerst Chapel, Rev. Dale charters, of Cascade Christian Church, officiating. Interment Lakeview Cemetery, Lakeview, MI.

STERZICK - Mrs. Helen Ann Sterzick, aged 93, of Lowell, passed away Saturday, August 6, 1988 at the Lowell Medical Care Center. She was preceded in death by her husband, John B. Sterzick and two daughters, Mrs. June Lavender and Mrs.

Melba Churchill. She is survived by one son, John J. (Joyce) Sterzick of Palmetto, FL; and two daughters, Mrs. Esther Ransom of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Raymond (Lorene) Geelhood of Lowell; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Funeral Services were held Tuesday at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Lowell, Rev. David Hagens of First Congregational Church of Lowell officiating. Interment Merriman Cemetery.



HEALTH

By
Dr. Paul Gauthier
Dr. Jim Lang

GASTROESOPHAGEAL REFLUX - HEARTBURN

Heartburn is a common problem experienced by almost everyone at one time or another. It is estimated that 10% of all persons experience this problem on a daily basis. Gastroesophageal reflux is the medical term for this problem. For most persons, gastroesophageal reflux is not severe enough to seek medical attention, however, in others it may lead to choking, difficulty swallowing, or difficulty breathing.

Normally the sphincter between the stomach and esophagus (feeding tube) remains tightly closed allowing food to pass from the esophagus to the stomach but not from the stomach to the esophagus. When stomach acid refluxes up into the esophagus it irritates the lining, causing a burning or pressure sensation in the lower chest. Further reflux into the upper esophagus can lead to a sour taste in the mouth. Other common symptoms of gastroesophageal reflux are, indigestion, nausea, cramping and chest pain.

The diagnosis can usually be made by obtaining a description of the symptoms and physical examination. Your doctor may order an upper GI x-ray to rule out other causes such as peptic ulcer. During the upper GI you will drink a substance that contains a contrast material. X-rays are then taken to see if the contrast material refluxes back up into the esophagus. In severe cases an endoscopy may be performed. This procedure is done in a hospital, where a long scope is passed into the esophagus and stomach to directly visualize the lining to see if there are any ulcerations or other changes in the protective lining.

Gastroesophageal reflux can usually be treated in the following ways:

1. Avoid foods such as caffeine, spices, citrus juices, peppermint, foods high in acids like tomatoes, chocolate and alcohol. These all have a tendency to relax the lower esophageal sphincter leading to reflux.
 2. Eat smaller meals.
 3. Don't lie down within an hour or two after eating. Gravity helps keep food and acid in the stomach when we are upright.
 4. Stop smoking - smoking causes the sphincter to relax.
 5. Raise the head of your bed by placing 6 inch blocks under the legs - this allows gravity to keep stomach contents out of the esophagus while sleeping. Do not use extra pillows - this may actually worsen reflux.
 6. Lose weight. Overweight persons will have more of a problem because the abdominal mass pushes the stomach contents up.
 7. Use antacids such as Maalox®, Mylanta®, or others to help buffer the acid content. Take as directed after meals and at bedtime.
- If these simple measures fail to correct the problem you should see your doctor. There are other medications that can be used to decrease the stomach acidity or speed emptying of the stomach which have proved very useful in treating this common problem.

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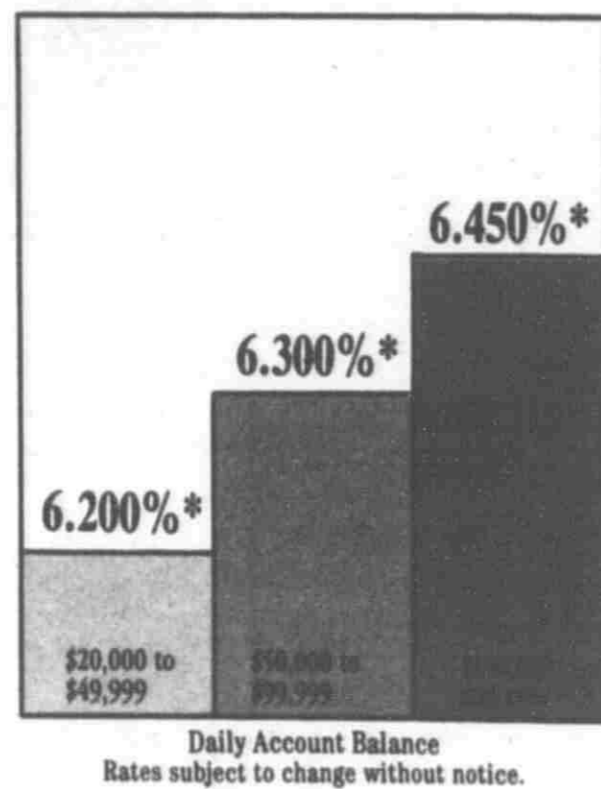
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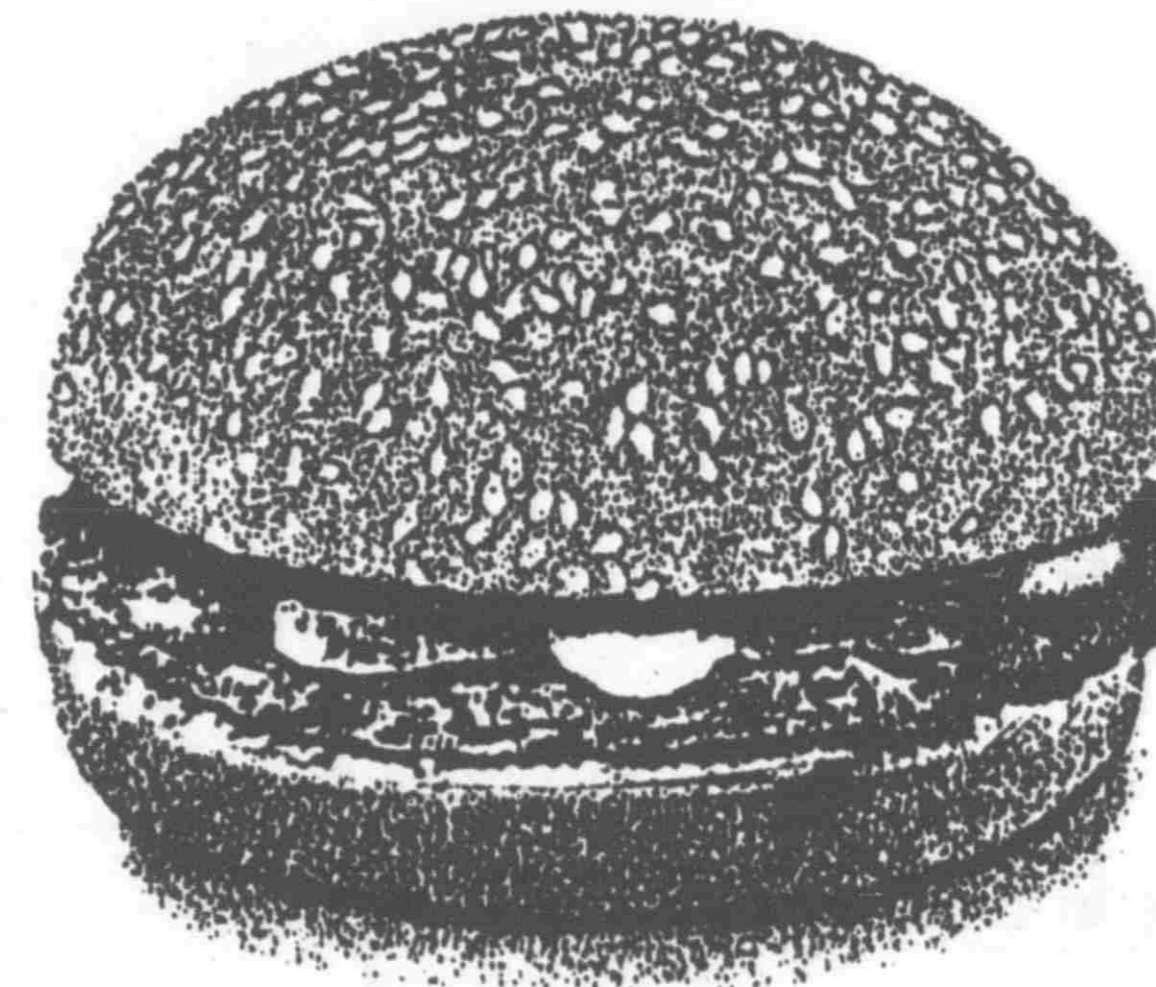


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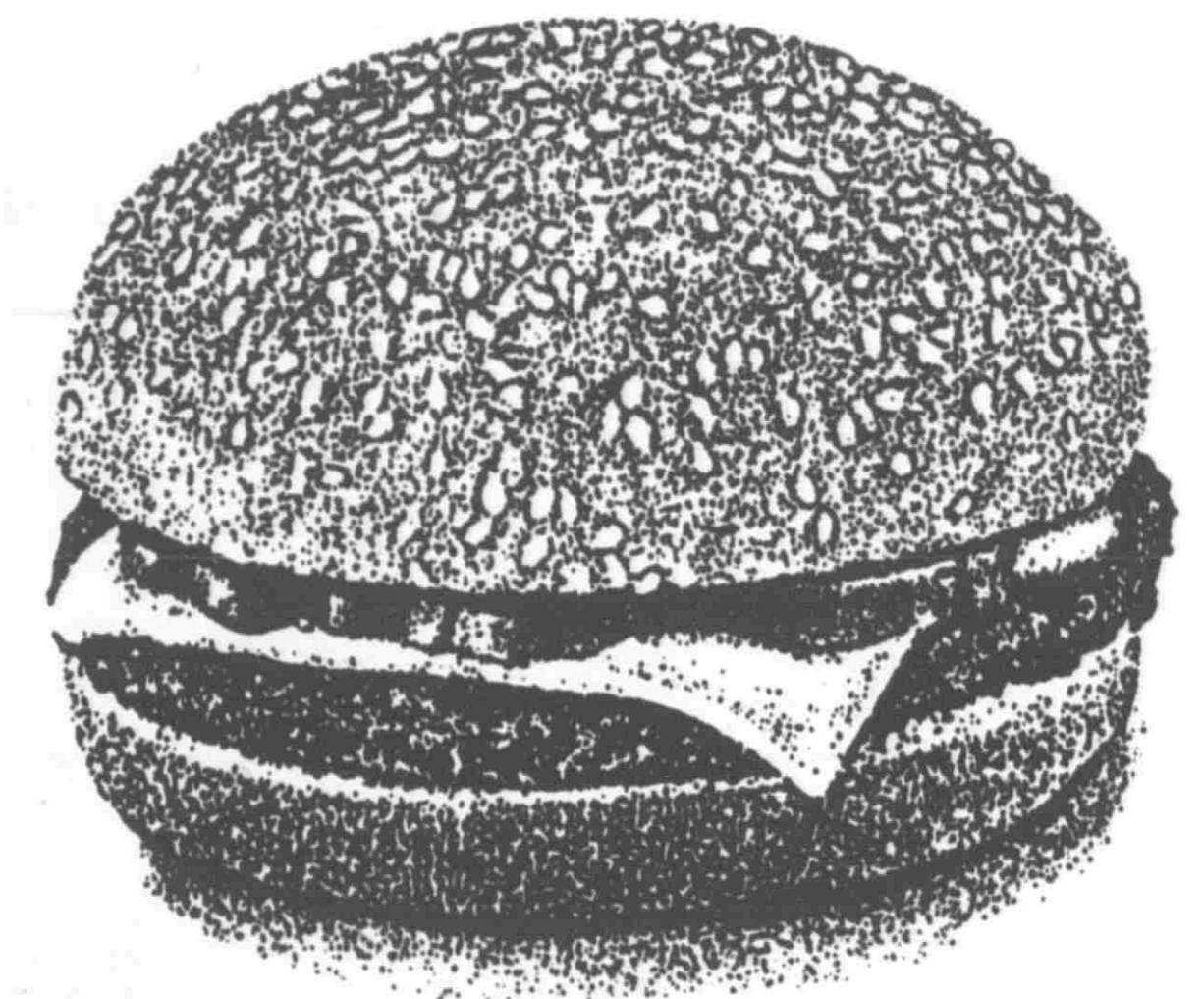
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Katie Wills attends MTU Youth Seminar

Katie Wills of Lowell is participating in the Medical Physiology exploration, which is a feature of Michigan Technological University's Summer Youth Program. She was among 900 junior and senior high school students attending the sixteenth annual Summer Youth Program held at Michigan Tech from July 10 through August 6. Each student has the opportunity to participate in one of the forty-seven week-long explorations. Program design focuses on career



Katie Wills of Lowell is shown here participating in the Summer Youth Program at Michigan Technological University in Houghton, MI.

Engagement told



Sheila Patrick & Kevin McCarrey

The engagement of Sheila Arlene Patrick of Saranac and Kevin Matthew McCarrey of Utica has been announced. Patrick is the daughter of Duane and Jenett Patrick of Saranac. She is a graduate of Saranac High School and Central Michigan University.

The future groom is the son of Patrick and Erma McCarrey of Utica, MI. He is a graduate of Eisenhower High School and Central Michigan University. A November 5th wedding is planned.

Homespun Devotions

By Pauline Spray

We love him, because he first loved us (1 John 4:19)
A car has a radiator, a generator, a muffler, battery, manifold, valves and spark plugs. Or, so I'm told. Some of these parts I'd recognize on sight. Others? Well, I just take another's word that they're there. When I get into the car, turn on the key and the motor starts, good. If the motor fails to turn over, I look at the gas gauge or call my husband. I'm no mechanic. I do not understand how a car operates, although I'll readily admit I'm not proud of my ignorance. The important thing to me when I want to go somewhere is not how the parts

of the engine fit together and function but that they make the proper connections. I appreciate the scientists who perfected our modern inventions. But I don't for the life of me understand how the car, television, radio, and my kitchen appliances work. The love of Jesus Christ is great enough to encompass all mankind. It extends to every individual, regardless of age, race, creed, or social rank. I do not understand the magnitude of such a love, but I appreciate its benefits. It is wonderful to know that "Jesus loves me." Prayer: Dear Jesus, Thy love for me is beyond my comprehension. It cannot be measured or described. I do not understand how Thou couldst love me as Thou dost, but I'm grateful that it is so! Amen

Thou I forget Him and wander away, Still He doth love me wherever I stray. Back to His dear loving arms would I flee When I remember that Jesus loves me.

Philip P. Bliss

In The Service

Navy Fireman Recruit Amy J. Boss, daughter of Larry B. and Pamela J. Boss of Marble Road, Lowell, was graduated from Basic Hull Maintenance Technician School. During the 8-week course at Naval Damage Control Training Center, Naval Base, Philadelphia, Boss received instruction on the basics of welding, pipefitting, and metalmithing. She also studied the procedures used to fabricate, install and repair all types of shipboard structures, plumbing and piping systems. A 1985 graduate of Saranac Community High School, she joined the Navy in January 1988.

Army Private Simon L. Miller, son of Hallie H. and Carol J. Miller of Saranac, has arrived for duty in South Korea. Miller is a missile repairer with the 702nd Maintenance Battalion. He is a 1987 graduate of Saranac High School.

October Wedding

Stacey A. Christman & Michael K. Pniewski

An October 15th wedding is planned at St. Stanislaus Church in Dorr, MI.

Christman is the daughter of Dale R. and Sue Christman of Allegan. She is a graduate of Allegan High School and Kalamazoo College and employed as an EDP Audit Officer at First Michigan Bank Corporation.

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August showers: It's been a couple of months since those refreshing April showers, but August promises a good chance to see a different type of shower - the meteor shower. According to National Wildlife magazine, you will be able to see over thirty "shooting stars" in one hour during August's Perseid meteor shower. The showers reach their high point on August 12. So start making a list of summertime wishes.

The future groom is the son of Kenneth Pniewski of Southfield and Bernadette Pniewski of Lowell. He is a graduate of Catholic Central High School of Detroit and Kalamazoo College and is employed as an Investment Officer at Baird/Buys MacGregor.

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 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.

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.

FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: The Bowne Township Historical Society will hold regular meetings at the Township Hall, 6059 Linfield, Alto, on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

EVERY SECOND WEDNESDAY: Lowell Woman's Club meets every 2nd Wednesday of the month at Schneider Manor at 12:00. Luncheon and program.

EVERY SECOND THURSDAY: Lowell VFW Auxiliary No. 8303 meets at 8:00 p.m. at the VFW Post, 307 W. Main Street, Lowell.

EVERY THIRD SUNDAY: The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse at 11841 Potters Rd. A Potluck is at 12:30 p.m. with business meeting following. New members and guests are welcome.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH: Post Polio Support Group meets at the Easter Seal Building, 4065 Saladin Dr. S.E. (off East Paris) at 2:00 p.m. Survivors, families and friends 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.

SECOND TUESDAY - Better Buyers Food Buying Club meets the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at Grace Kutchev's home, 1001 Heffron, Lowell. Interested people are welcome. For information, call Kathy at 897-8779.

EVERY 1ST & 3RD THURS. - Lowell Area Jaycees, meet at the Lowell Congregational Church at 7:00 p.m. New members welcomed. Membership 21-39 years of age. Leadership training through community involvement. Interested, call 897-9152 or 897-6539.

EVERY 1ST & 3RD TUESDAY - V.F.W. Post 8303 meets at the V.F.W. Clubroom, 307 E. Main St., Lowell at 8:00 p.m.

EVERYDAY OF THE YEAR PAPER DRIVE - Ada/Cascade Paper Chase has trailers located behind Cascade Christian Church on Thornapple River Drive, north of Cascade, for old papers. All revenue goes to non-profit organizations in this area.

3RD WED OF EACH MONTH - Jolly Community Club meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 12:30 for dinner at Millcreek Meadows East, Saranac.

SATURDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops #M11493 meets every Sat. at 8:30 a.m. in the Congregational Church basement in Lowell. Corner of Spring and Hudson Sts. Weigh-ins from 8:30 a.m. til 9:00 a.m.

TUESDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops #M1372 meets every Tuesday evening at the Lowell Congregational Church basement. Corner of Spring and Hudson Sts. Weigh-ins at 5:45 p.m.

MAY 28 THROUGH SEPTEMBER: Fallsburg Schoolhouse Museum is open Sat., Sun., and holidays, 1-5 p.m., other times by special arrangement. (Call 897-6430, 897-9081, 897-7088). Don't miss the "Blue Monday and Tuesday" exhibit of antique washing machines and sardirons.

People believe if you carry a potato with you, you will be healthy.

2ND & 4TH SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH: Roman Catholic Latin Mass. Our Lady of Hope Chapel at 6:30 p.m. Church is located at 14275 92nd St. (M-50 east) between Hastings Rd. and Freepport Rd., Alto. For info call 765-3094 after 7 p.m.

JUL & AUG: Monday and Wednesday 6:15 - 7 p.m. Lowell YMCA Swimnatics Water Exercise.

JULY 18 - AUG. 17: Monday and Wednesday American Red Cross Advanced Life Saving at King Memorial Pool from 6-8 p.m. Call the YMCA for more details, 897-8445.

THURS., AUG. 11: Free Glaucoma screening from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Lowell Senior Center at Congregational Church, 404 N. Hudson, Lowell. Anyone 18 years of age and over are welcome.

FRI., AUG. 12: The regular meeting of Cyclamen Chapter No. 94 O.E.S. will be at 8 p.m. in the Lowell Masonic Temple.

SUN., AUG. 14: Visiting hours will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. for friends and relatives who wish to visit with Jean (White) Doyle, formerly of Saranac. Mrs. Doyle will be staying at the home of her mother, Crystal Wells, at 4998 Darby Rd. Saranac, enroute from attending funeral services for her husband in Pennsylvania. Mrs. Doyle is presently residing in Montana.

MON., AUG. 15: Soccer practice begins for High School Soccer. Time and place will be in next week's Ledger.

TUES., AUG. 16: 7 p.m. at Fallsburg Schoolhouse Museum: Gladys Stout will present "Quilt Patterns Old and New", plus regular meeting of West Central Michigan Historical Society. Visitors Welcome.

WED., AUG. 17: Lowell Garden Lore Club will meet for luncheon at 1 p.m. Hostess, Dorothy Randall, 822 Ferro Rd., Co-hostess is Jo Willard.

THURS., AUG. 18: Past Matrons of Cyclamen Chapter No. 94 O.E.S. will meet at 7:30 p.m. at Marlene Jackson's home.

SUN., AUG. 21: The Fallsburg Park Cubs baseball team will hold its annual reunion at Fallsburg Park near the Arch at 12 noon. Jim Topp will fry the hamburgers as usual.

MON., AUG. 22: Bob & Doris Ellis will host the annual picnic of the Clark-Ellis Post No. 152 American Legion and Auxiliary and their families in their yard at 2719 Bewell S.E. at 6:30 p.m. Bring a dish to pass and own table service, also your own drink. Coffee and meat will be furnished by the post.

THURS., AUG. 25: Note change of date. Keenagers will meet at Steve and June Wittenbach's at 4 p.m. Bring bathing suit for swimming, bring dish to pass and table service. Meat and beverage will be provided.

SEPT. 1 DEADLINE: Donations are being accepted until Sept. 1 in the name of the Ellura Frost McPherson Scholarship Fund. The recipient is a Lowell graduate, Kirsten Hawk. Please leave your donations at the FMB State Savings Bank with Marj Harding.

THRU SEPT. 20: Varieties of trees available this fall thru the Kent Soil Conservation District are: Red Pine, Austrian Pine, White Pine, White Spruce, Blue Spruce and Norway Spruce. Orders are being taken thru Sept. 20 but quantities are limited. The smallest quantity of any one species is 50. Prices range from \$11.00 to \$20.00. For more info call 361-8511 or stop by the office at 3321 Plainfield N.E.

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Saturday, August 13, 1988

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- *Chicken BBQ (beginning at 2 p.m.)
- *Antique Tractor Pull (2 p.m.)
- *Square Dancing (8 p.m.)
- *Ride All Day at the Carnival for \$5.00! (unlimited rides)
- *Pig Races (every hour 6 p.m.-10 p.m.)
- *Fireworks Extravaganza (beginning at dark)

All Activities Free to the General Public

Welcome to your Kent County 4-H Youth Fair!

LOWELL, MICHIGAN

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<p>CORNERSTONE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF LOWELL Meeting at the Lowell Middle School (12675 Foreman) Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 A.M. And Children's Ministries Midweek Bible Services and Youth Ministry "A JOYFUL WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY" 897-6477</p>	<p>MISSIONARY CHURCH 10501 Settletwood Ph. 897-7185 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 GLENN H. MARKS Foreman Road 897-9110</p>	<p>ADA CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH 7152 Bradford St., S.E. 676-1698 REV. BRIAN P. BOSSCHER Morning Worship 8:45 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. Sunday School 10:00 A.M. Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.</p>	<p>ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH 7227 Thornapple River Dr. 676-1032 Pastor: JERRY L. JOHNSON Morning Worship 10:00 A.M. Sunday School 11:20 A.M. Evening Worship 6:00 P.M. WE INVITE YOU TO MAKE THIS COMMUNITY CHURCH YOUR CHURCH HOME. WELCOME TO ALL</p>
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Timpson wins big in Lowell Twp. Supervisor race



John Timpson



Jean Huver



Carol Wells

Less than 18 percent of the registered voters in Lowell Township cast a ballot in Tuesday's primary election. However, despite the low turnout, the voters' choices were very clear on who they wanted on the November ballot.

Registered voters who made their way to the Lowell Township Hall to vote, selected people for the Lowell Township supervisor, clerk, treasurer and trustees.

Of the 2,387 registered voters in Lowell Township only 427 took time to cast their vote.

Three people ran for the Lowell Township Supervisor spot, including incumbent Harry Yeiter. Yeiter received 41 votes while Donna Jane Cloud collected 28 tallies. However, the winner was John Timpson with a convincing total of 258.

In the battle for Township Clerk incumbent Carol Wells received 202 votes outdistancing Carlinda Boyd who finished with 77 votes.

Being the incumbent also paid

Protect appliances from lightning

Summer storms in Michigan mean thunder growing overhead and occasional lightning strikes. At times, lightning hits electric lines and utility poles, causing power surges which on very rare occasions can damage home appliances.

There are steps people can take to protect against power surges, says David V. Voight, vice president of distribution operations from Consumers Power Company.

dividends for Jean Huver as she worked to regain her Township Treasurer seat. Huver was the recipient of 265 votes compared to her competition, Janet Boyd's 49 tallies.

Richard M. Huver and Herb VanderBilt, both incumbents, were the trustees elected for the November ballot. Huver received 243 votes and VanderBilt was the recipient of 199 votes.

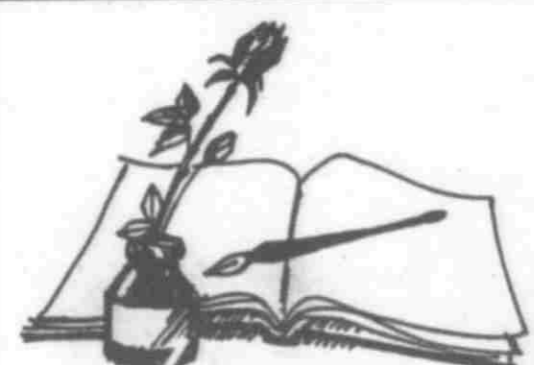
"Power surges into customer homes happen very infrequently. However, in order to provide protection against surges, particularly during a lightning storm, you should simply unplug the appliance," said Voight. He noted that some customers choose to take this precaution with more expensive appliances, such as personal computers, televisions, stereo and VCR units, or microwave ovens.

Another precaution customers can take is to purchase surge protectors for appliances, Voight said. While not fail-safe, surge protectors effectively defuse voltage variations caused by lightning strikes or other actions affecting the distribution system. Circuit switching by a utility, or vehicle accidents in which a utility pole is struck, can also cause variations in normal electricity voltage.

"Our distribution system is designed to handle lightning strikes in such a way that customers experience little or no change in their electric service," said Voight. "These precautions are suggested for those customers who want additional protection from the possibility of unexpected power surges." Voight added.

When lightning strikes an electric distribution system, the power surge is detected by a lightning arrester and directed into the ground. A lightning arrester acts like a lightning rod on a house top.

"It is also important that customers not overload a circuit by plugging too many major appliances into one outlet," said Voight. Overloading one circuit could decrease the amount of voltage going to each appliance and could cause motors to deteriorate.



by Joan Wittenbach

"MOTHER, I'M HOME"

How many times we've heard the call, "Mother, I'm home!" As the children get older and more independent we learn to listen for the extended call....the car pulling in the drive, the back door opening and shutting very quietly, the squeak of the bedroom floor upstairs...ever so many clues. The emotion is all there--relief! They are safe--they are home.

Marjorie Holmes wrote a piece that was so endearing to me that I jotted it down in my journal, applied its truth to my heart and pulled out two more kleenex. Holmes reflects:

"They grow up so fast; they go away one by one. After awhile only on visits does that glad cry come...Home is somewhere else. A different job, a different life, a different person to greet them when they return...and that one familiar cry has taken on a new significance. You don't have to worry. They have reached their destination. Each one is safely in. In a new and much more wonderful way, each voice is assuring you: "I'm home, Mother, I'm home."

I remember the time my oldest daughter and some of her friends piled into a car and headed for Chicago. Yul Brenner was on stage there in his classic portrayal, The King and I. They would drive home after the evening performance. I am always apprehensive about Chicago, but I knew she'd love every minute of that musical.

The early hours of the morning began to do their motherly work of "wondering." Sometime later, hearing the car come up the drive, I rolled over to look at the clock--3:04 a.m. A few minutes later I heard a whispery excited voice, "Mom--Mom--are you awake? I've got a birthday present for you, MOM!"

Of course I was awake (she had to be kidding) and although my birthday wasn't for two more weeks, I found myself, unwrapping a lovely, hooped skirted doll. It looked just like Anna, in the play. We talked for an hour and a half. It had been a treasured time for her.

I wonder if any woman has counted up the hours of sleep she has lost from the time just before she gives birth to a child until--until--when? There are times in life when if the eyes fall asleep, the heart stands watch. I guess I'll leave the counting to God, and thank Him for the memories of the voices that called out, "Mother, I'm home!"



One's boudoir, according to the French, should be a brown study, a room for sulking in. The word comes from the French boudoir, to sulk.

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CONTAINS LISTINGS FOR FRIDAY, AUG. 12, THRU THURSDAY, AUG. 18, 1988

CONNIE CHUNG, Tom Brokaw and John Chancellor (from left) will provide coverage of the Republican National Convention for NBC's *Decision '88* Monday through Friday, Aug. 15 through 18. Brokaw will anchor the event, while Chancellor provides commentary and Chung offers the latest information from the podium.

THANK YOU!

To all the people of Lowell Township who campaigned for and who supported me in the primary election and made my re-election possible.

Sincerely,
Carol L. Wells

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MORNING
5:00 The Best of Walt Disney Presents

- Mousecase
TBA
Christian Science
Style with Elia Klenach

SUNDAY CONT.

- 4:00 Music Videos
Star Trek: The Next Generation
NBC SportsWorld

- NFL Football
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Laugh In

- The Young Ones Christopher Ryan, Rick Mayall
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- AFTERNOON
12:00 Mesquite Championship Rodeo
Friday the 13th
Bowling Classic

- 6:00 Music Videos
World Tomorrow
You and Me, Kid

- 8:00 Sky Commanders
Sunday Today
In Touch

- 9:00 Music Videos
Inside Winston Cup Racing
Mass from St. Thomas

- 10:00 Performance Plus
Hawaii Five-0
Slime Time

- 6:00 Motoworld
Boom Buddies
NBC News

- 7:00 Music Videos
American Sports Cavalcade
Spectacular World of Guinness Records

- 8:00 Motoworld
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The ancient Chinese were the first people known to acquire more than one name. The Emperor Fushi is said to have decreed the use of family names, or surnames, about 2852 BC.



The first American flag with fifty states was unfurled on July 4, 1960 at the Fort McHenry National Monument in Baltimore, Maryland.

Crossword Puzzle

Grid for a crossword puzzle with numbers 1-50 and a central clue: 'Which comedy writer became the head writer for a show he created about a comedy writer?'.

The answer to the Crossword Quiz is found within the answers in the puzzle. To find the answer, unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle.

- Across:
1. Comedian Gleason.
6. Actress Howland.
10. Hardy to Stan.
11. Actor Estevez.

Arcoaire Air Conditioning & Heating advertisement featuring a central image of an air conditioner and text: 'Make Your Home an Oasis With Arcoaire Central Air Conditioning'.

DAYTIME

- MORNING
5:00 Music Videos
5:25 (FR) Comedy Experiment: But Seriously Folks (CC)
5:30 (TU,WE,TH,FR) Gomer Pyle
5:40 (WE) Comedy Hour: Martin
5:45 (M) Before Hours
6:00 (M) NBC News at Sunrise
6:10 (TU) Survival Series: The World of the Beaver
6:15 (M) Nightly Business Report
6:30 (M) 20 Minute Workout
6:35 (WE,TH) Movie
6:40 (WE) The Frog Prince
6:45 (M) A.M. Weather
7:00 (M) He-Man
7:05 (M) Today
7:10 (M) Zoo
7:15 (M) Good Morning America (CC)
7:20 (TU) The Trouble with Grandpa (CC)
7:25 (MO,FR) Tom and Jerry
7:30 (M) Movie
7:35 (M) Good Morning, Mickey!
7:40 (M) Superbook
7:45 (M) Daybreak
7:50 (M) World of David the Gnome
7:55 (M) CBS This Morning
7:58 (M) Dennis the Menace
7:59 (M) My Little Pony
8:00 (M) Neighborhood
8:05 (FR) Deaf Mosaic
8:10 (M) Business File
8:15 (TU,WE,TH) Microwave Chef
8:20 (FR) Adventures of Tom Sawyer: The Frog Leaping Contest
8:25 (MO,WE) Adventures of Tom Sawyer: Dobbins Flips His Wig
8:30 (TU) Tales of Little Women: The Unwelcome Mat
8:35 (M) Our Friends on Woster Square
8:40 (M) Spiral Zone
8:45 (M) National Business Today
8:50 (M) Business Day
8:55 (M) Music Videos
9:00 (M) Scooby Doo
9:05 (M) Smurfs
9:10 (M) Sesame Street (CC)
9:15 (FR) Autograph With Marilyn Mackay
9:20 (MO,TU,WE,TH) Wildlife Woodcarvers
9:25 (TU,TH,FR) Movie (CC)
9:30 (WE) Comedy Experiment: K.O. Kippers (CC)
9:35 (M) Donald Duck Presents
9:40 (M) Gospel Bill
9:45 (M) Bozo
9:50 (M) Daybreak
9:55 (M) Beverly Hillsbillies
8:55 Bewitched
9:00 Fandango
9:05 (M) Hour Magazine
9:10 (M) Wil Shriner
9:15 (M) Pink Panther

- Today's Special
Sesame Street (CC)
Gerald
(FR) Kaleidoscope Concert: Parachute Express
Father Knows Best
Smurfs
(WE,TH) Walt Disney Presents
(MO) Credit Time Bomb
(TU,WE,TH,FR) Man from U.N.C.L.E.
(MO) Sign Off
(TU,TH) Action Outdoors with Julius Boreas
(WE) Auto Racing
(TU,WE,TH,FR) Crossfire
(MO) Sports Review
(FR) Comedy Experiment: But Seriously Folks (CC)
(TU,WE,TH,FR) Gomer Pyle
(MO) Green Acres
(FR) Scheme of Things
(FR) Perfect Diet
(MO,TU,WE,TH) TBA
(MO,FR) Rhoads
Getting Fit with Denise Austin
(TU,WE,TH,FR) ShowBiz Today
(MO) Inside Business
(WE) Comedy Hour: Martin
Mull Live (CC)
(M) Before Hours
Hooked on Aerobics
NBC News at Sunrise
Jimmy Swaggart
(FR) To Climb a Mountain
CNN
(FR) Movie
Mickey Mouse Club
(FR) TBA
(TU) Youth Secrets
(TH) Perfect Diet
Today with Marilyn
Alice
Bodies in Motion
Daybreak
Curious George/Kids in Motion
CBS Morning News
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(MO,WE) Movie
Dumbo's Circus
Gentle Ben
SportsCenter
CNN Headline News
Today's Special
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Fandango
Hour Magazine
Wil Shriner
Pink Panther

- (MO) (WE) Movie
Laverne and Shirley
News
Bewitched
(FR) The Day the Universe Changed (CC)
(MO) America's Testament
(TU) Firing Line
(WE) National Geographic Special (CC)
(TH) American Art Forum
(FR) Comedy Hour: Martin Mull Live (CC)
(TU) Tanner '88: The Boiler Room (CC)
Madama's Place
Gerald
Bodies in Motion
Songs Live in L.A.
Pinwheel
Barnaby Jones
Donahue
(FR) Only One Earth
(MO) Only One Earth
(TU) Living Isles
(WE) Changing Worlds
(TH) Soviet Women
Little House on the Prairie
Thundercats (CC)
Captain Kangaroo
(TU) World Stage: Olivia Newton-John in Australia
(TH) Warning: Medicine May Be Hazardous to Your Health (CC)
(TH,FR) (WE) Movie
Hazel
Teddy Ruxpin
(TU) Horseshow Jumping
(FR) Only One Earth
(TU) Shakespeare's Trilogy
(WE) Deaf Mosaic
(MO) Movie
Crook and Chase
Wil Shriner
Sale of the Century
(FR) Sewing With Nancy
(MO,TU,WE,TH) Sheriff Lobo
Size Small Country
Mister Rogers' Neighborhood
(MO,TU,WE,FR) Teletext
(TH) Teletext
(TH) Showcase '88: Tidy Endings (CC)
(FR) Home Alone
Movie
700 Club
Incredible Hulk
(WE) Surfing
(TH) Outdoor Life Magazine with William Conrad
Hour Magazine
Family Feud
(TU) Movie
(MO) Enchanted Forests Underwater
(TU) Galapagos: Ways of Survival
(WE) Ark on the Move
(TH) Automated Factory
(TU,WE,TH,FR) Movie
(MO) Bonanza: The Underdog and the Crucible
Fandango
Learn to Read
(TU) Movie
Play the Percentages
Bachelor Father
(WE) Yachting
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Bold and the Beautiful
(TU) Scientists
(TH) Heart and Soul
You Can Be a Star
K.O. Kippers (CC)
Another World
(MO) Here's Boomer
(WE) Raccoons
(TU) Zorro
(TU) Action Cycle Sport Series
(TH) Motorweek Illustrated
CNN Headline News
New Card Sharks
(TU) English Garden
(WE) Pacific Outdoors
(TH) Wildlife Cinema
(MO,TU) Music Videos
American Magazine
Jefferson
Fantasy Island
(TU) Microwave Master
(FR) Modern Maturity
(MO) Sit and Be Fit
(WE) The Collectors
(TH) Sewing With Nancy
Bonanza
(MO,TH) (TH) Movie (CC)
(TU) Comedy Experiment: The Big Bang (CC)
You and Me, Kid
Charlie's Angels
Getting Fit with Denise Austin
Elephant Show
Price Is Right
Growing Pains (CC)
Whirl of Fortune
(FR) Portraits of Power
(MO) The 1930s
(TU) Odyssey
(WE) Ed McBain
(TH) Country
New Country
Bewitched
Win, Lose or Draw
Sesame Street (CC)
Body Piles
Home
(TU,FR) (MO,WE) Movie
(TU,WE,TH,FR) Walt Disney Presents
(MO) The Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet
(MO,FR) American Baby
(TU,TH) Cabie Kitchen
(WE) Lee Dubelle
Basic Training Workout
(WE,TH,FR) Little Koala
(MO,TU) Maple Town
(FR) Amazing Years of Cinema
(MO) The 1930s

- Marilyn Mackay
General Hospital
(TU,WE) Movie
Welcome to Pooh Corner
The Tac Dough
Dobie Gillis
Welcome Back, Kotter
(FR) Tennis
(MO) Australian Rules Football
(TU) Horseshow Jumping
(TU) Thoroughbred Digest
(TH) Fishing
International Hour
Lassie
Guiding Light
(FR) Human Face of Indonesia
(MO) Living Isles
(TU) Changing Worlds
(WE) The Inughuit, Part 1
(TH) John Mortimer
Tom and Jerry
Club MTV
American Magazine
Jetsons
(MO,TU,WE,TH) Ghostbusters
Mister Rogers' Neighborhood
Trilogy
Dumbo's Circus
Jackpot
Green Acres
(FR) Lead-Off Man
(WE) NFL Yearbook
(TH) Inside the PGA Tour
Inspector Gadget
(FR) Buckman Treatment
(MO) Shakespeare's Trilogy
(TU) Deaf Mosaic
Flintstones
Music Videos
Nashville Now
DuckTales
(MO,TU,WE,FR) Magnum, P.I.
Sesame Street

- Love Connection
Edison Twins
Chain Reaction
Hazel
(FR) Baseball
(MO,TU,WE,TH) BraveStarr
Dobie Gillis
Welcome Back, Kotter
Class Wrestling
(WE,TH) PGA Golf
It's a Wonderful Life
You Can't Do That on TV
Oprah Winfrey
Divorce Court
Newswatch Game
(FR) Case of the Missing Murmur
(MO) Lost Kingdoms
(TU) Wins of Italy
(WE) New Pacific
(TH) Global Village
Flintstones
Brady Bunch
Double Dare
People's Court
(TU) The Trouble with Grandpa (CC)
(TH,FR) (WE) Movie
Donald Duck Presents
Bumper Stumpers
Father Knows Best
(MO,TU,WE,TH) Transformer
CNN Headline News
Monkees
Andy Griffith
Dating Game
(MO) Journey into India
(TU) TBA
Brady Bunch
Dial MTV
Trilogy
Silver Spoons
Facts of Life
(MO,WE,FR) Punky Brewster
(TU,TH) Punky Brewster
Mister Rogers' Neighborhood
Reading Rainbow (CC)
Family Ties

- (FR) (TU,WE) Movie
Leadfoot (CC)
Survival Series: The World of the Beaver
(TH) To Climb a Mountain
(MO,FR) Kids Incorporated
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(MO) Galapagos: Ways of Survival
(TU) In the Wild with Harry Butler
(WE) World Alive
(TH) Ark on the Move
Leave It to Beaver
New Country
Facts of Life
News
Silver Spoons
3-2-1 Contact (CC)
Too Close for Comfort
(MO) (MO) Movie
(TH) High School Narc
Videopolis
Riffman
(MO,TU,WE,TH) Jam
(MO) Action Cycle Sport Series
(TU) All American Pulling Series
Denise the Menace
(FR) Wild Refuge
(MO) English Garden
(TU) Wildlife Cinema
(WE) Edge of the Cold

Alabama heats up the Ionia Free Fair again

by: Mary Kimble

It's 95 degrees in the stands, but it just got hotter on stage. Rising out of the floor in a cloud of smoke, Alabama has just taken the stage for the fourth time in 6 years at the Ionia Free Fair.

Alabama is rated one of the biggest box office attractions in the 73 year history of the Free Fair and is one of the top national touring acts. Alabama fans went wild as they opened their performance with the hit, "The Closer You Get". The show continued for a full hour with non-stop music including such favorites as "Feels So Right", "Face to Face", and "Old Flame Burning", which had many of their fans holding candles aloft as they sang along.

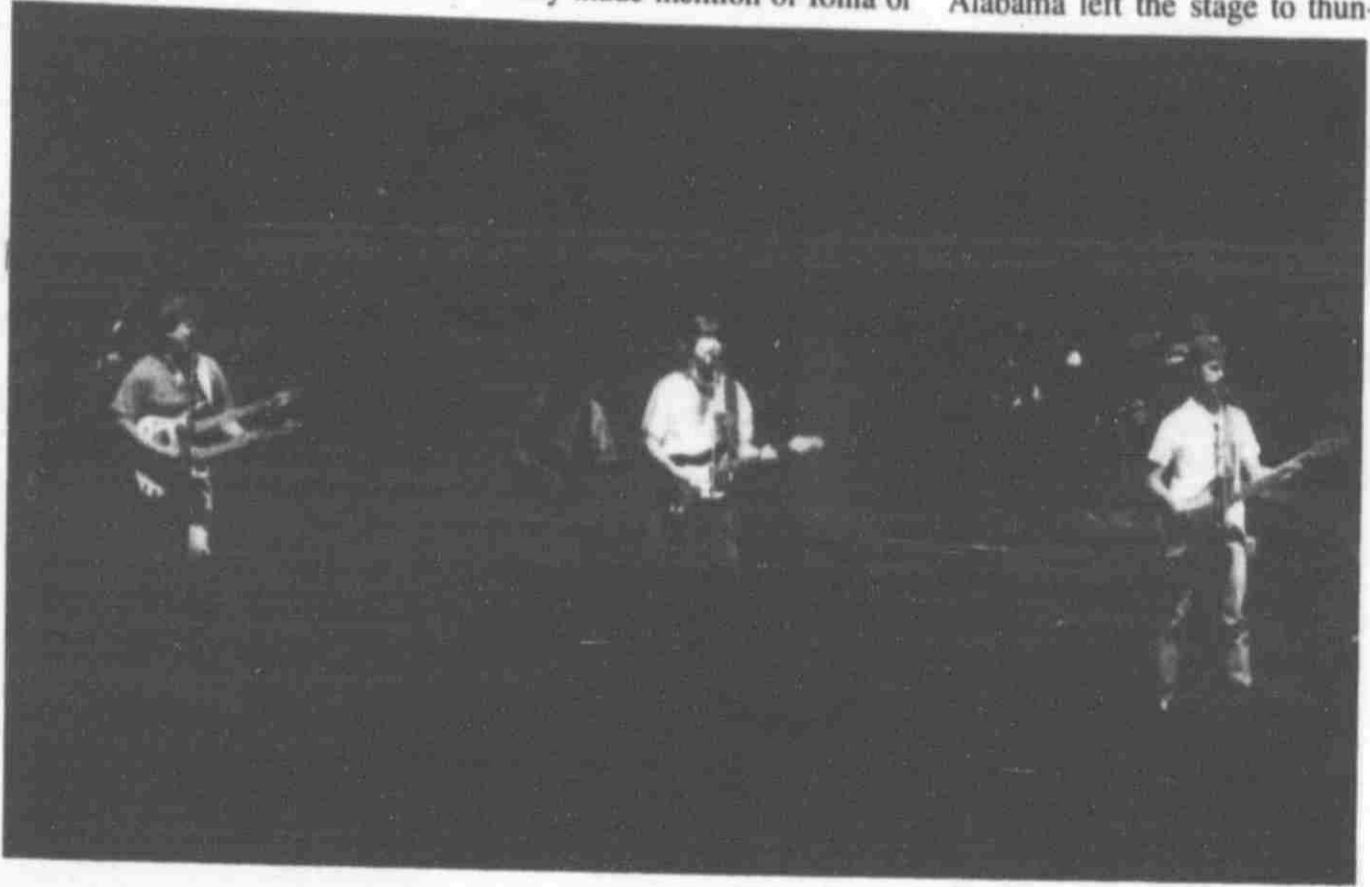
The group seems to have not forgotten their beginnings in a small bar in South Carolina, where they played for tips and beer. A very long way away from the 20,000 watts of sound they emit today and the millions of fans they perform for. The group performed a song they had written just for the fans and it was enthusiastically received.

Alabama consists of lead guitar player, Jeff Cook; bass guitarist, Teddy Gentry; drummer, Mark Herndon and lead

singer Randy Owen. The group has a contagious and charismatic quality, and I'm sure there were many fans with

sore hands and throats from applauding and singing along with the songs. The group consistently made mention of Ionia or felt like a Southerner when you left.

After a full hour of music, Alabama left the stage to thunder. Country singer K.T. Oslin opened the show last Thursday, August 4, with a 45-minute show including her hit, "Eighties



Alabama played to a standing room only crowd of enthusiastic and appreciative fans last Thursday at the Ionia Free Fair.

Photo courtesy of Bryan Kimble

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Michigan in their songs and won the hearts of all who were there. If you weren't from the South when you arrived there... You

derous applause that did not die down until they returned to the stage. They then did a 20 minute encore which included their hit,

"Forty Hour Week", a Bachman-Turner Overdrive Medley and "I Heard It Through The Grapevine" featuring several of Alabama's stage hands dancing as "California Raisins". The encore came to an end with their hit "My Home's In Alabama." Country singer K.T. Oslin opened the show last Thursday, August 4, with a 45-minute show including her hit, "Eighties Lady". WCUZ personality, Karen Vance, after completing 85 hours on the Double Ferris Wheel at the Fair to benefit the Arthritis Foundation, emceed the show. The group played to a standing room only crowd and the overall reaction of the spectators at this performance most assuredly proves Alabama will be welcomed back for years to come.



Bass guitarist and vocalist, Teddy Gentry of the singing group Alabama, entertains the crowds at the Ionia Free Fair.

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Resolution for special millage passed

Lowell's Board of Education adopted a resolution calling for a special millage election Sept. 26 at the August Board of Education meeting.

The special millage which will be seeking 2.9 mills for 1988-89 and an additional .3 mills increase over the 2.9 (3.2) in 1989-90, and an additional .3 percent increase over the 3.2 (3.5) in 1990-91.

In other action, the board approved the first readings of two policy revisions. The first revision was to approve board policy number 5118.2 entitled "Foreign Exchange Students" and approved its new administrative policy number X5118.2 According to Lowell Superin-

tendent, Fritz Esch, this revision will help in identifying the shaky groups that exist which take advantage of students.

The other approved revision was of board policy number 6200 entitled "Addition/Deletion of Athletic Programs."

The revision better defines adequate student interest and makes notification of the one year of probation. The board supported casting a vote for Carol Muth for MASH director from group IV for a three-year term.

A motion was also passed to cast a vote for Carol Perry, David Kellom and Janis Emery for directors at large for three-year terms.

Wernet Distributors were approved as the district's milk supplier for the 1988-89 school year.

The annual reviews of the document entitled "Superintendent/Board of Education Relationships" was also confirmed by the board as a statement of agreement on relationships between the Lowell Board of Education and its Superintendent.

* Jane Gillespie was appointed as the debate coach for the 1988-89 school year * John Turko was appointed the varsity soccer coach for the 1988-89 school year. * The board approved the motion to increase the substitute teacher pay. The rate will go from \$35 a day to \$40 a day.

School beginning with the 1988-89 school year at the BA-O level (\$21,593) as a probationary teacher.

* The board agreed to employ Donna Lenneman as the sixth-grade teacher at the Middle School beginning with the 1988-89 school year at the BA-1 level (\$21,936) as a probationary-1 teacher.

* Board Notes: * The board approved the unpaid leave of absence for Judy Drain during the 1988-89 school year and that the leave be terminated as of June 30, 1989. * The board agreed to employ Karen Latva as the third-grade teacher at Bushnell Elementary

Lowell drivers injured in collision

Two Lowell drivers sustained injuries in an accident that occurred Thursday, Aug. 4 in front of Eberhard's.

Stacie Lambert, 18, of 11303 Fay St. in Lowell, attempted a left turn from the McDonald's parking lot (heading west) when her car was struck by a car driven by Orville Hostler, 51, of 1110 Fero St. in Lowell, according to Lowell police.

The police report adds that Lambert did not see Hostler's car due to an east-bound semi that was turning into McDonald's.

Lambert was cited for failing to yield. She was transported to Blodgett Hospital by Mercy Ambulance.

Hostler was taken to Metropolitan Hospital by LIFE. There were no passengers in either car.



Orville Hostler was east bound on Main Street when Lambert turn in front of him. Hostler could not stop in time.



Stacie Lambert, the driver of this car, sustained an injury when she attempted to make a left turn onto M-21 from a private drive into the path of Orville Hostler. She was cited for failure to yield.

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Ledger Looking for Football Forecasters

With less than a month before the Lowell Red Arrows kick off their season at Ionia against the Bulldogs, the Ledger is gathering together a crew of prognosticators. Football soothsayers should have knowledge of the game -- thus one understands why gridiron tough-fans are being sought.

Each week a fan and the other fearless forecasters will attempt to forecast the outcome of games played that weekend.

If you're interested, the Ledger asks that you send a self addressed stamped envelope to the Ledger office (105 N. Broadway, Lowell, MI 49331) with your name, address and telephone number. All the entries will throw together in a hat and each week a name will be drawn.

Each lucky fan that has its name drawn must provide a head-and-shoulder picture of oneself or come to the office no later than 9:30 Tuesday morning and have a picture taken.

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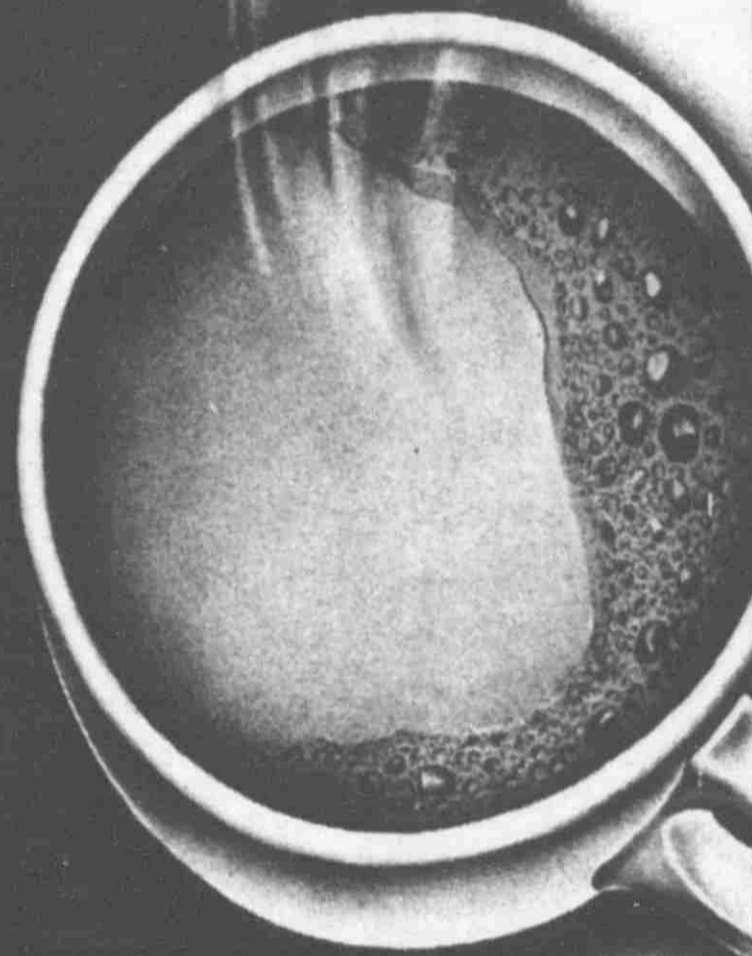
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Kent County Fair-goers' favorites differ

Lowell's 4-H Youth Fair will bring roughly 15,000 people to the fairgrounds over a six-day period. The ages, faces and reasons for coming to the fair are different to each individual. On Monday, Aug. 8, the first day of the Fair, the Lowell Ledger caught up with some of those fair-goers and got some early first impressions.

Jeremy Tase - Is an 8-year-old from Lowell. He enjoys the ghost and goblins, and the terror and horror, of the haunted house.

Nate Tase - Has been attending the Fair for three years. The rabbits are the 9-year-old's favorite part of the Fair. "I like showing rabbits," he says.

Shane Vitele - The 4-year-old Lowell boy who hasn't seen many fairs leaves no doubt about what he enjoys. "I like the rockets and spaceships."

Therese Bocian - Bocian, 15-years-old, from Grand Rapids, is in her first year as a 4-H member. "I have some cross-stitching work that I've done that is being judged," she said.

Peggy O'Malley - The second-year 4-H member from Grand Rapids has some drawing and writing exhibits that she is showing at the fair.

Sandy Turoski - "I enjoy setting up our 'Tasty Treats' booth," Turoski said. The 15-year-old from Grand Rapids is one of 11 4-H members from the city club.

Rachell Lyon - "My favorite part of the fair is the food," she says. "I like the corn dogs the best. I've only had one thus far." Lyon's older sister has been controlling her appetite.

Laurie Sheldon - Sheldon, a Clarksville native, enjoys the rides the most.

Angie Allison - Allison is also from Clarksville, but attends Lowell High School. "I also like the rides. I'm not real crazy about the pig races though," Allison said.

Conrad DeVries - DeVries, 16, from Lowell, enjoys the games and the girls. "I've been coming to the fair for about six years."

Millie Scott - Scott, Lowell, has been coming to the fair for 12 years. "I like to go over to the Bingo Tent and play," she says. "Actually I enjoy most of the games and exhibits, but I'm too old for the rides."

Beatrice Przybylski - "I've been attending the fair for 10 years. I enjoy playing Bingo and the animals, not the pigs so much," Przybylski said.

Susan Porter - "This is my first year at the Fair and as a 4-H member," the Rockford girl said. Porter will show her horse, Sheba, in her initial year at the fair.

Al and Bonnie Penar - "We are here with the 'Galloping Riders' group," Al Penar said. "We enjoy fairs, especially the cattle and horse exhibits." The Penars are from Byron Center.



Evil Knivel he may not be, but this young guy enjoyed his hot-rodding around at the 4-H Youth Fair.

Darts are paying dividends

A game with a point, darts, that old English standby, is becoming increasingly popular in the U.S. One reason for this may be that playing now pays more when you win.

The days when the sport only existed in a dark pub with a mug of beer in one hand, and a dart in the other are long gone. Darts has re-

cently taken on a new edge of competition which was revealed in the 1987 Lucky Lights International Challenge of Champions hosted in New York City in December. The "Challenge" served as the culmination of 26 tournaments across the country. The series is the first national darting circuit, offering a total of \$450,000 in prizes. Clinching the title and a cash prize of \$10,000, the winner of this year's "challenge" went to Englishman, Eric Bristow of Staffordshire, England. To date, Bristow has earned approximately \$300,000 in prize money and endorsement fees.



The 4-H Youth Fair Court took part in opening day ceremonies Monday night. Left to right are Chantel Cosgrove; Fair King, Tom Nugent; Fair Queen, Jamie Cook; and Tracie Scheer.



The petting barn is one of the biggest attractions at the Fair. The Petting Barn, sponsored by the FFA Chapters of Lowell, Caledonia and Cedar Springs gives young city girls a chance to pet a variety of farm animals.

Blohm will attend convention

Dana Blohm, of Lowell, will join the Michigan Scatterblitzers, an energetic, enthusiastic, and hardworking group of individuals, dedicated to promoting Republican principles and the great state of Michigan on the journey to the National Republican Convention in New Orleans.

The Scatterblitzer bus, filled with 35 to 40 volunteers, will depart from Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills on Thursday, August 11 and take 2 1/2 days to make the trek to

New Orleans. The Scatterblitzers, ranging from age 18 and up, will be sent off by a group of Republican officials and delegates.

Michigan's Scatterblitzers were first organized by National Committeeman Peter F. Secchia during the 1976 presidential campaign for Gerald Ford when caravans of as many as 150 of his friends travelled to five different states. Committeeman Secchia states, "Our groups had a very impressive record, winning

every precinct we worked in during blitzes to Florida, Ohio, Wisconsin, and Indiana as well as Michigan."

The Scatterblitzers will be gone a total of nine days.

"The trip will be filled with hard work and fun at the same time. It's a great opportunity for Republicans from Michigan to meet other Republicans around the country," commented Blohm, who will be attending the University of Michigan in the fall.

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Nugent meets President Reagan on FFA trip



Tom Nugent of Lowell, State Vice President of the Michigan FFA Association was one of over 100 state FFA officers who met last week with President Reagan in Washington D.C.

The White House meeting highlighted the week-long FFA State Presidents' Conference in the nation's capital. The conference, sponsored by Chevrolet as a special project of the National FFA Foundation, Inc., is designed to help newly-elected FFA state officers improve their leadership skills by expanding their knowledge of FFA and the issues facing American agriculture.

Nugent is the son of Terry and Jean Nugent of Lowell. He was elected State Vice President of

the Michigan FFA Association at the State FFA Convention in March.

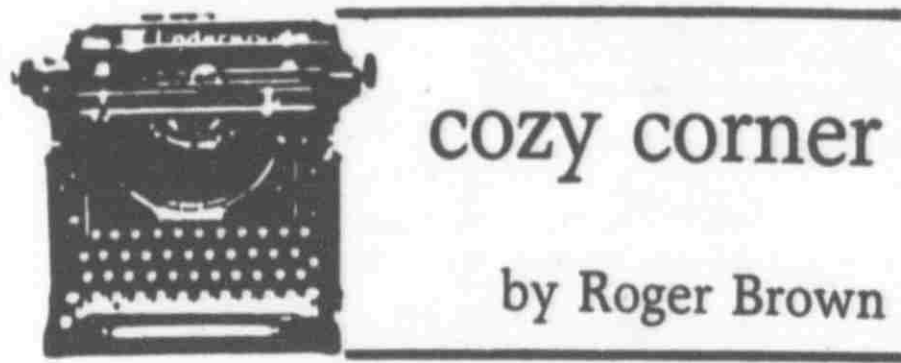
President Reagan welcomed the state officers and adult FFA leaders to the White House and to Washington D.C. He told the audience, "In going back to Iowa and talking to many of the farmers there, and businessmen and government leaders, I heard a great deal about changes in American agriculture during the last few years. In many ways, these changes are reflected in your own organization's emphasis on broadening the public's perception of what FFA is all about. Because you're not only an organization for farmers but an organization for all those looking for opportunities in ag-

ricultural marketing, management, production, engineering, research, communications, government and other areas."

Reagan continued, "Your 400,000 members in 7,800 chapters are testimony to a number of young lives that FFA influences in all these wide areas. And, believe me, having traveled the world as I have during these past eight years, I can

tell you how important this work is to the hopes of so many millions for a better world and a better future."

During the conference, July 25-29, the state officers also participated in leadership workshops, meeting with their Congressional representatives, tours of Washington D.C., and special presentations about agriculture and the FFA.



I know there are those of you who didn't even notice that I failed to submit a column last week. I know there are those of you who noticed, but didn't care that I failed to submit a column last week. But, to those seven or eight readers who really did miss my weekly offering, you have my humblest apologies.

The reason for my absence was my first week's vacation in the summer in ten years. I worked Wednesday, and half a day on Thursday, but I did miss press day for the Ledger and press day for the Buyers Guide, so I'm counting it as a week's vacation. The rest of the staff looks at it that way, so I may as well play along.

Monday and Tuesday of last week were spent at the big airshow in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. I packed up my two kids, our 14-year-old Japanese exchange guest, tent, sleeping bags, etc. and headed out in a Cessna 172 early Monday morning. The thermometer in my car was already registering in the eighties when we were driving to the airport. Had I realized just how hot it was going to get, I might have opted to spend my two days in an air conditioned room reading about airplanes.

We had spent nearly an hour bucking headwinds and climbing to 8,500 feet when we crossed the Lake Michigan shoreline. That's the east shoreline. In another hour or so, we were over Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, and my coffee laden bladder instructed me to stop there for fuel instead of trying to make it on into Oshkosh.

Fond Du Lac is just a few miles from Oshkosh, and serves as a major staging area for transient aircraft. A temporary control tower had been set up, and there were planes taking off and landing on both the east/west and north/south runways. My bladder insisted that this was no time to be faint-of-heart, and I maneuvered the old Cessna into the very busy traffic pattern. Once on the ground, I wasted no time in completing my mission. I fueled the plane too.

We again headed for Oshkosh. If you've never heard of this airshow, I'm afraid I don't have adequate time or space to describe it here. Let me just say that there is just about any type of aircraft there that you can imagine. There were ultralights that resemble somebody's lawn furniture with cloth wings and a snowmobile engine. There was a B-1 Bomber. There was a British Airways Concorde supersonic jetliner. There was a Goodyear blimp. There were antique airplanes, classic airplanes, experimental airplanes, both antique and modern military airplanes, stunt airplanes, etc. You name it, and it was probably there. One article I read stated that 14,000 airplanes were expected to visit the ten day show. I think two thirds of them were trying to get in the same morning I was.

Aircraft heading into Oshkosh first stages in left hand traffic over the small town of Rippon, eighteen miles to the southwest of the airport. Everybody is supposed to fly at 1,800 feet and 100 miles per hour. Of course there are old Piper Cubs and the like that can hardly make 100 miles per hour in a dive, and powerful twins that would fall out of the sky at 100 miles per hour. No matter, everybody is supposed to maintain the same speed. Around and around went the scores of airplanes.

When the controller finally gives the okay to head up the railroad tracks toward Oshkosh, planes are supposed to do so as they come around the circular pattern. It's a nice plan, but only a few adhere to it. Everybody else leaves the circular pattern and beelines for the railroad tracks. As I approached the railroad tracks there were planes beside me, over me, under me, flying at me and flying away from me. Somehow I struggled through the maze, and when I finally opened my eyes, we were lined up bumper-to-bumper on the tracks with everybody else.

The trip up the tracks was uneventful, other than trying desperately the entire way to stay behind a woefully slow antique Piper. We were fortunate not to get waved off into the secondary holding pattern over a lake west of the tracks. I wasn't real keen on repeating that Rippon mess right away. Once at the airport, things went pretty smoothly. The closely spaced airplanes were instructed to land long, land short, land mid-field and even turn left and land on the north south runway. They had us going every which way in an attempt to get us on the ground and out of the way. I have to admit, I was more than a little happy to get on the ground myself.

The airshow was great. We suffered through 105 degree temperatures on the field, high humidity, rain showers with virtually no shade or shelter. My daughter and I both nearly fainted from the sun and heat. There were huge crowds, and we were parked in an overflow area where there were no showers, concession stands or drinking fountains. The only transportation from our parking site to the main part of the field was a hot, bumpy school bus ride that stopped every few hundred feet to take on or let off passengers. Sleep that night was impossible because of the heat, noise and ants that took up residence in our tent. The four of us sponge bathed the next morning using a gallon of distilled water I purchased at the commissary. All in all, creature comforts were something akin to those at Woodstock.

Up to this point, a reader might get the idea that we might not have had much fun at Oshkosh. The fact is, the planes, stunt flying, demonstrations, comradery, etc. more than made up for the unpleasant physical conditions. In fact, I'm already looking forward to next year. Hey, I never said sanity was one of my long suits.



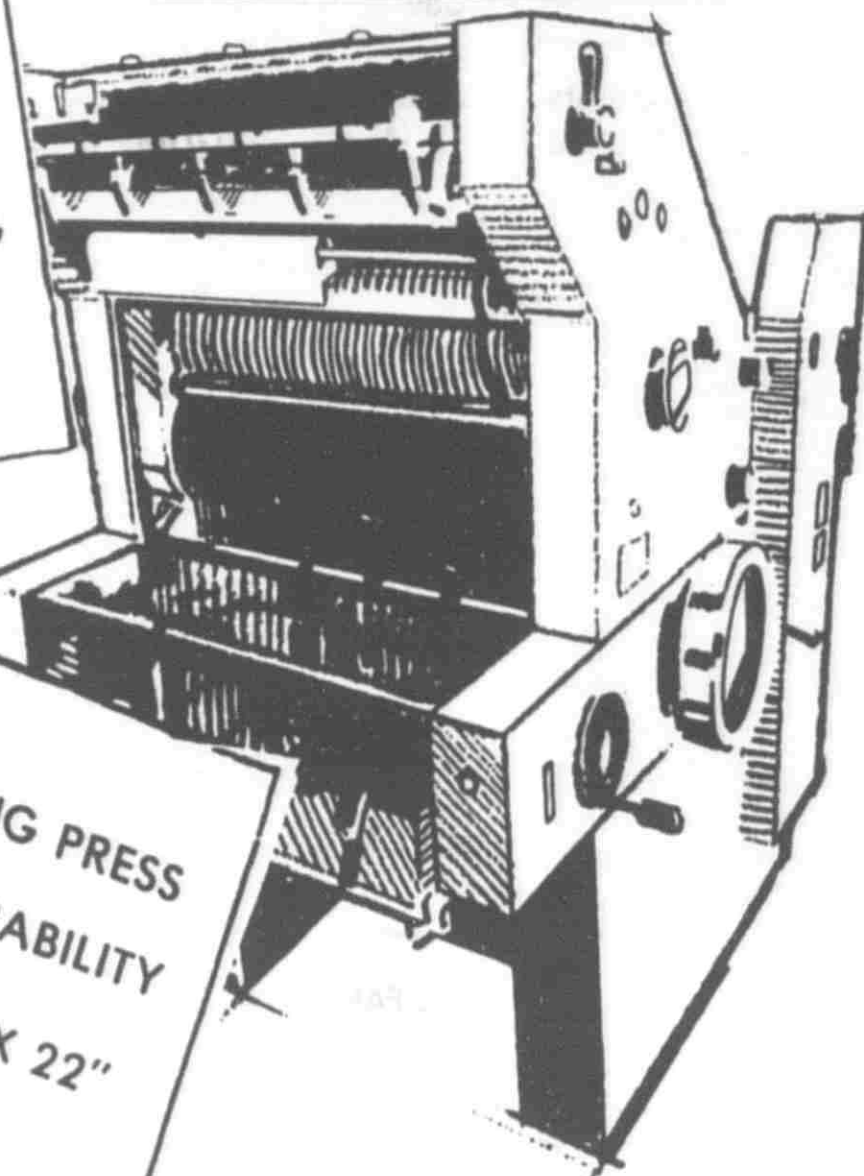
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IN MEMORY OF - the players, umpires, fans, and all who were connected with Fallsburg Park Cubs ball team, who have passed away. Special recognition will be given to them at Cubs Reunion, Sun., Aug. 21, 1988.
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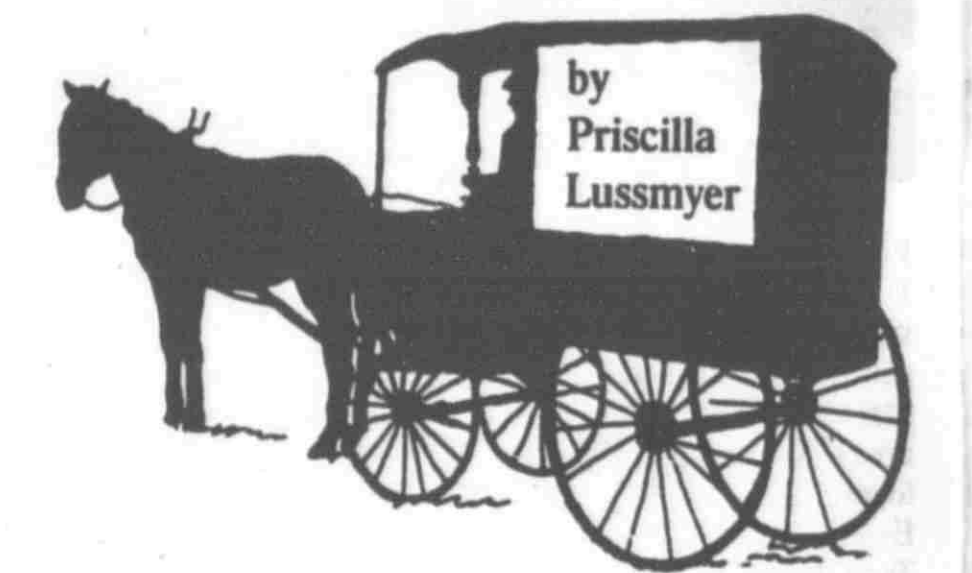
THE FAMILY OF - Roxie Sullivan would like to extend our thanks and appreciation to all the friends and family who helped us through our time of sorrow.
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Ledger Entries

of 75, 50, and 25 Years Ago



100 YEARS AGO IN THE JOURNAL - AUG. 10, 1888
J.L. Brazee retires and sells the Grand Rapids Telegram-Herald. Editor thinks the "Herald" should be dropped from the name.

Kent County Republicans endorse the Harrison-Morton ticket, Gov. Luce, high protective tariffs, and condemn Pres. Cleveland and Democrats' Free Trade aspirations.

Two ladies berrying, one with a gun for snakes, are accosted by a naked "being resembling a man" near Greenville. The gun scares him off. An 8 year old girl reported the same description a few weeks ago, driving him away with her screams.

The Central Michigan railroad bypasses Grand Rapids, but goes through Lowell. "Ten years from now Grand Rapids will be a suburb of Lowell."

75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - AUG. 7, 1913
The Third Annual Homecoming celebration is underway, with picnics, bands, vaudeville, ballgames, balloon ascension and other events. With large crowds attending good weather, it is declared a grand success.

A.H. Patterson of Almont, who taught Editor F.J. Johnson the printing business 33 years ago, is filling in for the vacationing typesetter.

An overwhelming vote in Hastings rescinds the vote of the seven who proposed to build the \$75,000 schoolhouse at the annual school meeting.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - AUG. 11, 1938
Sen. Vandenberg offers to bring the Lowell Showboat to the attention of national media such as Life Magazine next year. He was very impressed with the enterprise as a spectator last week.

The Central Michigan Office Chair Company and the Lowell Post Office report a very good year so far in sales.

Marijuana, or loco weed, should be wiped out in Michigan within two years, says the head of the Detroit narcotics squad.

Three Battle Creek men are caught and jailed after cutting a wide swath of thefts through Barry, Kent, Ionia counties, including chickens, gasoline, and chicken feed in Lowell, lumber, wheat, a calf and more chickens elsewhere.

25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - AUG. 8, 1963
The ban on lawn sprinkling holds even though there has been some rain.

Lowell officers, chasing a speeder almost to Ionia, throw a rod in the police car and have to call in state police help.

A firm hired by the council is test drilling for water. The present supply is contaminated with salt from an improperly capped oil well of the thirties.

Trudy Schlemitzauer breaks another record of the National Rifle Association, this one for the 30-shot, 25-meters course.



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Planning Committee affords district many strengths

When confronted with challenging problems and issues, it is appropriate for the Lowell Board of Education to call upon citizens of the school district and staff for assistance in the study of the current status of programs, services, and facilities of the school district and in developing a course of action for the district's future.

The future of this district is dependent upon appropriate decisions toward anticipated goals. Strategic long range planning for institutional improvement, therefore, seemed essential.

With that in mind, the school district took a "Step into the Future," behind the leadership and guidance of Ray Quada, the Chairman of the Strategic Planning Steering Committee, citizens and staff who were futuristic in their vision of the community and about the contribution that a quality public school system can produce. Quada and the Planning Steering Committee designed as a guide, a recommendation for the district's growth and progress.

"Planning from implementation is intended to constantly bring facts to the attention of the public and board," Quada said. "It allows us to raise the prospect of correcting problems in the future."

An example Quada used was overcrowdedness in the classroom. If the school, through research and studies knows that increased student enrollment will crowd classrooms in three years, why not start addressing that problem -- that is the strength that a steering committee affords the district.

Another example of that strength working for a school and its community is that through the Strategic Planning a place for the Senior Neighbors Center may come out of the committee.

"The board operates in a non-static circumstance -- a constant state of flux," Quada said. "The committee can be that tool that helps organize ideas and thought for the board, administrators, teachers and students."

After many hours of thoughtful consideration and serious study from all who participated, seven general objectives were harnessed. It should be noted that they are not and were not listed in rank order.

General Objectives

- * Develop a communication system designed to improve information flow within and between all employee groups, students, parents, community, and improve the district's image through a public relations package.
- * Maintain a continuous updated Strategic Plan by establishing procedures to monitor and evaluate progress on all plan objectives and recommending changes based upon evaluation of future needs.
- * Study methods to improve teacher and administration performance.
- * Develop a K-12 curriculum in technological literacy and provide up-to-date equipment to facilitate the instructional plan.
- * Establish a fund development program, independent of public funding.
- * Prepare plans to include a feasibility study, full working drawings and site development plans for the construction of facilities to reflect future needs.
- * Enhance administrative services to ensure curriculum relevance and balance, inclusive of instructional programs for remedial and gifted students.

It is difficult to see tomorrow's problems and impossible to predict, but through historical and demographical data it may provide a procedure to look at them, according to Quada.

With the need for an additional 2.9 mills for the 1988-89 school year and an additional .3 mills for 1989-90 and another .3 for 1990-91. Is it appropriate and/or realistic to ask the board (school district) to consider developing, updating, enhancing or establishing programs, systems or plans?

The answer is yes, according to Quada -- "for it must be remembered, the committee is not providing solutions, but bringing to the district's attention many non-cost items that can be achieved and save it money." He adds, "The primary purpose is to help provide solutions for the future for the everyday problems that surround the board of education."

According to Lowell Superintendent Fritz Esch a certain amount of that money will be used to help implement some of the strategic planning objectives.

Many of the items facing the school district are not isolated but are key items in any school district. Quada feels it is important for the board to establish a planning advisory committee that brings data together from the administration, teachers, community and students.

"The only way to do this is to talk about what is coming," Quada said. "This type of pre-planning readies the district to leap at an opportunity down the road that could provide assets." Esch refers to this as being pro-active instead of reactive.

An ongoing committee that reports information to the Board of Education will be created, however, it would not report directly to the board. It would be attached to a Board Goals Committee, a strategic planning review group.

Possibly the most important part about the Strategic Planning Steering Committee, is that if it does nothing else it provides for freedom of discussion of a wide array of problems and a forum for idea exchange.

"It is strictly an advisory committee and not a supplement to the Board," Quada said. "The Board has the final say. The planning process benefits all of us."

He continues, "These objectives are nothing unique, but it is a simple common sense approach." Quada adds that many might wonder what each committee member individually knows about the school operation. "Individually maybe not a lot, but collectively we've learned a great deal about the operation -- and as a body have secured knowledge."

Quada said that in all public entities it is important that the public is served and that it's aware of what's going on.

"Not just letting individuals on committees learn, but having board members, teachers and administration talk and help the public understand," Quada said.

"Main St." cont'd.

Weekend 2 will be August 12, 13, & 14. Church teams and below 500 teams and over 30 league except 1st & 2nd place will play on August 13 & 14. Above 500 teams will play on August 12 & 13. Both tournaments are Double Elimination. The YMCA will supply 1 game ball for each game. Teams should have a good backup ball available.

The tournaments will be played at Recreation and Creekside Parks. Trophies will be given for 1st & 2nd place of each weekend. Winners of each weekend will play for the City Championship. There will be no charge for the City Championship and a date has not been set yet.

The cost of the tournaments is \$85 per team. Entry fee must be paid when registering. No refunds will be given unless tournament has been cancelled. Entry deadline is July 28 at 10 a.m.

The Lowell YMCA Women's Softball Tournament will be held August 13 & 14 at Recreation Park and Creekside Park. The cost per team is \$85. This is double elimination. The YMCA will supply game balls. Entry fee must be paid when registering. No refunds will be given unless tournament is cancelled. Trophies for 1st & 2nd place.

The Lowell YMCA Fall Softball Program has been announced. Co-ed Softball Leagues will play on Sunday or Monday evenings. Men's Leagues will play Tuesday thru Friday. This year there will also be a NEW Men's Friday Night Church League. All leagues will play 8 games, cost being \$240.00 per team. No games on Labor Day Weekend. Non-refundable \$100.00 deposit required when registering. Leagues start week of August 21. If you need more information, call the Y, 897-8445.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL GIRL BASKETBALL PLAYERS

First practice is Monday, August 15. Varsity runs from 9-12; and 2-3:30 and Junior Varsity and Freshman runs from 12-3:00.

Physicals will be given free on Wednesday, August 10 at 7 p.m. at the high school. At this time you should bring your \$5.00 for athletic insurance.

OFF THE BLOTTER

Injured in an accident August 4 was Stacie Lambert, 18, of Lowell when she attempted a left turn from a private drive onto M-21 near Valley Vista Drive and pulled in front of a car driven by 51 year old Orville Hostler, also of Lowell who sustained injuries.

Robert Ries, 54, of Ada was involved in a property damage accident on S. Hudson St. near Bowes Rd. when a wooden plank fell off a vehicle driven by George Ocock, 50, of New Haven, IN struck Ries' car.

Issued appearance tickets for Minors in Possession of Alcohol were Robert Kellogg, 18, Benjie Ayers, 17, and Todd Bruinekool, 17, all of Lowell Saturday evening, August 6.

Arrested on a warrant issued for Parole Violation was Orville Raney, by Lowell officers Sunday, August 7.

Issued an appearance ticket for Open Container of Alcohol in a Motor Vehicle, August 6 was Jay Barnhart, 21, of Alto.

Scheduled to appear on a warrant issued by 63rd District Court Aug. 10 to answer to charges of Driving While License Suspended Second Offense is Rickey Scott, 30, of Saranac.

Happy Birthday

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| AUG. 13: Mike Roth, Andy Sanborn. | AUG. 16: Marge Meisner, Don Gasper, Donna M. Hill, Terri Jones, Tina Comstock. |
| AUG. 14: Robert Ellison, Bob Wilczewski, Vicki Harris, Phyl- | AUG. 17: Margaret Videan, Ted Kazemier, Eugene Bailey, Kim Ysseldyke, Trent Raab, Alma Johnson. |

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