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Along Main Street

ATTENTION! LEDGER ISSUE DATE CHANGE AND CLOSINGS

The Lowell Ledger will be published on Thursday, December 29 instead of Wednesday, December 28. All ads and articles will have a deadline of Tuesday at 5 p.m. The Ledger office will be closed Monday, Dec. 26 and Monday, Jan. 2 to observe the Holidays.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD INVITES COMMUNITY TO CHRISTMAS DAY CELEBRATION

The congregation of Lowell Assembly of God would like to invite the community to a Christmas Day Celebration. Special service will be held at the church on Christmas morning at 11 a.m.

There will be singing of some old and new Christmas carols and a time of worship.

A special message will be presented by Rev. Daniel J. Wansten. Come and celebrate. The church is located at 3050 Alden Nash, south of Lowell.

ALTO LIBRARY HOSTING OPEN HOUSE FOR SUPPORTERS

1988 was a great year for the Alto Library. The library staff wants to extend its appreciation to the many friends and supporters by hosting an Open House in the library, 6059 Linfield, on Thurs., Dec. 29 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Refreshments will be served and there will be favors for the kids. Come celebrate a wonderful year at the library.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA TO BE SHOWN ON LCTV

The First United Methodist Church Christmas Cantata "Christmas is Love" will be shown on LCTV, Channel 9 on:

Wed., Dec. 21 at 12 noon; Thurs., Dec. 22 at 6 p.m.; Fri., Dec. 23 at 5 p.m. and Sat., Dec. 24 at 10 a.m.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO PONY FUND STILL ACCEPTED

Anyone wishing to make a contribution to "Cyndi's Pony Fund" may still do so by contributing to any of the cans at the businesses in Lowell or by dropping it off at the Community Education office at the High School.

The money will be used to defray medical expenses and to feed the new pony given to Cyndi. Grondman of Lowell, has been fighting Leukemia for three years and her pony was shot accidentally this past month.

LOWELL AREA ARTS COUNCIL OFFICE CLOSINGS

The Lowell Area Arts Council Gallery and offices will be closed Dec. 24, 25 and 26 and also Dec. 31, Jan. 1 and 2 in observance of the holidays.

The Gallery will re-open on Tuesday, Jan. 3 with an exhibit of paintings and drawings by artist Cathy Van Voorhis.

OFF THE BLOTTER

Cathy Dykstra, 36, and her 4 year old juvenile passenger were injured Thurs., Dec. 15 when she ran off the road and struck a tree on Jackson near King St.

Cited into court for Malicious Destruction of Property over \$100 in connection with shooting holes in windows with a B-B gun were 12 & 13 year old juvenile males.

Arrested for Disorderly Person Dec. 15 was John Inman, 23, of Lowell after creating a disturbance in the Valley Vista Trailer Park.

A 16 year old juvenile female lost control of the car she was driving and struck 2 guard rail posts, a sign, and a tree on Gee Drive at Creekside Park Saturday evening, Dec. 17. No one was injured.

Sherry Davis, 27, of Sheridan, MI was involved in a property damage accident on West Main near Valley Vista Dr. Sat. afternoon, Dec. 17 when her vehicle was struck from behind by another vehicle driven by a 16 year old juvenile from Lowell.

Cited into 63rd District Court for Furnishing Alcohol to Minors Under the Age of 21, was Ann Moorhead, 23, of Grand Rapids.

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1988: A Year in Review

Showboat returns, H.O.O.P.S comes to Lowell, & summer's drought

Another year has past here in the Showboat City. But never does a year go by without some memorable stories.

The Lowell Ledger in 1988's year in review hopes it has capsulized some of these moments for you.

Happenings and events to remember 1988 by....

January 6, 1988

Lowell's City Council questions the bill it received from Lowell Light and Power for street lighting on Ridgeview Drive.

In the past, Lowell Light and Power had not charged the city for electricity, labor or materials in lieu of taxes. Councilman Charlie Doyle asked why?

Light and Power Board member Ivan Blough noted that bills to the city for major projects, such as the Ridgeview lighting, were needed for accounting purposes.

Local poet Andy Andrzejewski was one of 138 poets nationwide to be accorded the honor of publication by CSS Publications.

Andrzejewski's work entitled "A Song of Myself" is among the 160 poems featured in the publication.

Helen Schaefer completed her move into what was formerly Hinkley Drugs on Dec. 18.



A fire destroys the venerable Keiser's Kitchen.

Along with the move came a few additions. Schaefer added three quality consignment shoppes called Yesterdays, Tomorrows and Forever to her antique shoppe.

Lowell's Close-Up group traveled to Lansing for a convention. One of the keynote speakers was Governor James Blanchard.

The City of Lowell lost its equipment operator on Dec. 31, 1987. Jim Gibbs decided to leave his position with the city after 18 years of service.

January 13, 1988

Keiser's Kitchen, which started out as a truck stop in 1945, and turned into Lowell's venerable eating establishment and oldest operating retailer, was destroyed by a fire on Friday, Jan. 8.

The State fire marshal said the cause of the fire was electrical and that he suspected the fire started in the electrical closet. There were 40 firefighters who battled the blaze.

The fire left 40 of Keiser's Kitchen employees without

work.

The Lowell Board of Education approved a 5.8 increase in new monies for the 1988-89 administrator and supervisor salaries which reflects an average increase of 5.5 percent.

Work continued on Dari's Restaurant and Banquet Hall in preparation for its Feb. 4 opening.

Barry Checkoway, professor of social work and planning at the University of Michigan, directed a group of 55 people, including community leaders and interested community members in a Strategic Planning Workshop entitled "Getting it Together."

The workshop was to help facilitate a strategic planning process for the school, and to help bring an understanding of goals and objectives in key areas.

January 20, 1988

Jodi Lynn Rash was critically injured in a two-car crash and later died from the injuries she sustained.

Lowell's City Council approved a 10-year airport lease with the Grand Rapids School of the Bible and Music. With the approval, GRSBM's duties included managing the airport while maintaining all facilities in

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Action Auto opens its doors to Lowell

"Action Auto has a desire to service small communities and the residents of Lowell," said Action Auto President and Chief Operating Officer Richard A. Sabo. Following the ribbon cutting ceremony he said, "Our doors are now officially opened."

In 12 years, Action Auto has constructed and serviced some 66 communities in Michigan, In-

diana and Ohio. The store's base is in Flint, Michigan, where it was founded by James Sabo, Chairman and Chief Executive officer; Richard Sabo; and Robert Sabo, Senior Executive Vice President.

Lowell's Planning Commission first heard of Action Auto's intention to move into Lowell in March of this year. It then gave its approval of the plan in April.

"Construction started in the summer," said Lowell City Manager David Pasquale.

Currently, along with the 100 existing stores there are five locations under construction and 41 other proposed sites.

"We dream big enough to want to make this a national organization in due time to service millions more than we do now, but to always serve everyone as well

and as adequately as we serve our Michigan customers today," Sabo said.

He added that the public company is a contemporary parts, gas, tires and service store.

Managing the Lowell store at 2001 West Main are Dale Sinclaire, manager; Jim McNeely, assistant manager; Jim Marvin, assistant manager; and Spencer Gysen, service manager. "We staff our stores with employees who have the Action Auto Service First spirit," Sabo said. "It is service levels and profitability that drive us, not size alone."



Action Auto held its ribbon-cutting ceremony on Friday, Dec. 16. There are 66 Action Auto dealers in Michigan.

WESTSIDE DELI - Pan Pizza is our specialty. We also make great round pizza too. Free Delivery, five minute radius. Call 897-7049.

MODERN PHOTOGRAPHICS - Old Heirloom photos in black and white or sepia tone. Copy cat sale - 2 for 1. Offer good until 2/28/89. Call 897-5606.

GARY'S COUNTRY MEATS - For fresh meat cuts, cold cuts and cheese visit Lowell's exclusive meat market at 205 E. Main. Call 897-7306.

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

BRIDAL & PRINCESS BOUTIQUE - New and gently worn stylish consignments. Located in the Ye Olde Curiosity Shoppes, 214 E. Main.

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

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

HUCKLEBERRY'S SIDEWALK CAFE - Stop in for our homemade soup & sandwich combo or a fresh baked cookie. Take-outs too. 897-8120.

Obituaries

BRYAN - Kenneth C. Bryan, aged 83 of Lowell, passed away Sunday, December 18, 1988. Survived by his wife, Josephine, Gregory (Beverly) Bryan of Wyoming, MI, Richard (Nola) Bryan of Lowell, a daughter, Mrs. Bonita Strong of Minnesota, 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Memorial Services will be held today, Wednesday at 11 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Lowell. Rev. William Amundsen officiating. Memorials may be made to the Lowell Campership Fund.

CAMERON - Lucy Cameron, 79, of Wyandotte, died November 29, 1988. Surviving are three daughters: Maryanna (Robert) Ferenczi, Southgate, Helen Clifton of Dallas, Texas, Donna (Marvin) Theock of La Miranda, CA, and many grand-

children. Committal services were held Dec. 12 in Lowell at Oakwood Cemetery with the Rev. William J. Amundsen officiating. Mrs. Cameron was preceded in death by her husband, Donald Cameron in 1956. The former Highland Hill Dairy in Lowell was established by Donald's parents, Neil and Anna Cameron.

FAHRNI - Esther L. Fahrni, aged 88, of Lowell, passed away Friday, December 16, 1988 at Lowell Medical Care Center. She is survived by her son, James (Ruth Anne) Fahrni of Ada, four grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, many nieces and nephews. Funeral Services were held Tuesday at Roth-Gerst Chapel, Lowell. Rev. Greg Freed of the Elmdale Nazarene Church officiating. Interment: Cascade Cemetery.

FLANAGAN - Candace J. Flanagan, aged 4, of Kent City (formerly of the Lowell area), passed away Saturday, December 17, 1988 of accidental injuries. She is survived by her parents, Michael and Debra of Kent City, a brother, Michael, and a sister, Autumn; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon (Ruth) Flanagan of Rockford, Mr. and Mrs. Donald (Regina) Pethers of Ada, and several aunts and uncles. Mass of Christian Burial will be offered today (Wednesday) at 10 a.m., St. Patrick's Church, Parnell at 10 a.m., Fr. Julian Reginato, Celebrant. Interment: St. Patrick's Cemetery.

FROST - June Darby Frost, aged 85, of Lowell, passed away unexpectedly December 16, 1988. She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Lois and Richard Ballerma, grandchild-

ren, David and Sarah of Grand Rapids, niece, Evelyn (Mrs. James) Marron of Lowell. Funeral Services were held Monday at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Lowell. Rev. Bruce Bode of Fountain Street Church officiating. Interment: Riverside Cemetery, Alberta. Memorial contributions may be made to Lowell Senior Neighbors.

JOHNSON - Mr. Arthur L. Johnson, aged 48, passed away unexpectedly Friday evening, December 16, 1988 of accidental injuries. He is survived by two children, Laurie and Dale Wittczak of Wyoming, Steve Johnson of Saranac, a grandson, Brett Wittczak, his parents, Harry and Vivian Johnson, two brothers, Lyle and Linda Johnson and Phillip and Sherry Johnson, all of Lowell, a sister, Bonnie, and Eugene Moyer of Caledonia, several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. Funeral Services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Roetman Funeral Chapel, Caledonia. Rev. Kenneth McGee of Alton Bible Church of Lowell officiating. Interment: Lakeside Cemetery.

SMITH - Mr. Frank Smith Jr., 63, of Alto, passed away unexpectedly Monday morning, December 12, 1988 of accidental injuries. Mr. Smith was a WWII

Army Veteran and retired from Steelcase in June of 1987 after 36 years of service. He is survived by his wife, Rosalie, four sons, Frank, Gary and Allan Smith, all of Grand Rapids, William and Kelly Smith of Clarksville, a daughter, Terri and Scott Conner of Rockford, seven

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grandchildren, a step-daughter, Robert Smith of Florida, several nieces and nephews. Funeral Services were held Thursday afternoon at the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Whitneyville, with Elder Lloyd DeVormer officiating. Interment in Alaska Cemetery.

Lowell Rescue purchased a rescue unit. Lowell purchased a rescue unit from Rockford. The Rockford Ambulance, which was in the process of phasing out the ambulance for a smaller type van, sold the unit to Lowell for \$11,500.

Keiser's Kitchen temporarily re-opened its doors at the former Keiser's Too location on 109 Riverside Drive. The West Michigan Historical Society was a lucky recipient of a Michigan Equity Fund grant. The matching grant was for \$28,000.

Jim Pfaller, Hazel Smith and Steve Larkin were elected to the Chamber of Commerce Board. **January 27, 1988** It was announced that Lowell would have its second fast food restaurant by May 1 of 1988. Hardee's restaurant, owned by Wolverine Fast Foods, Co. plan-

ned to locate at the southwest corner of the Ridgeview Mall. Ground breaking was scheduled for Feb. 15.

Keith Caldwell was named CEO of FMB State Savings Bank. A new 15-passenger Ford sports van was leased to the Lowell Senior Neighbors Center through the Michigan National Bank and the Area Agency on Aging.

Dr. Donald Gerard was named an honorary member of the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association for his 25 years of service at Lowell football games.

February 3, 1988 Lowell's City Council okayed a petition for Keiser's to be rebuilt at the same location that it occupied prior to the fire that destroyed the original building.

Past National Marine Manufacturers Association chairman developed a Hall of Fame for families and/or business associates of those whose names and deeds are synonymous with pursuit of quality, innovation and perfection within the sphere of the marine history.

The Lowell Planning Commission appointed Michael Blough, Elizabeth Thompson and Tom Speerstra to the planning commission board. **February 10, 1988**

S.J. Bob Furniture sent out over 500 Valentines from local school children, churches, or-



Accepting Runciman/Riverside's certificate of appreciation Dianna Rice.

Accepting a certificate of appreciation from Captain R.L. Yarbery are Julie Shortle and Nathan Seeley.

Is it Rudolph or Randolph? It's Jim White... Santa, being short on reindeer found it necessary to do some quick recruiting this year. White did a great job in taking up the slack in the reins.

Avoid buying grapefruit with a soft and tender peel that breaks easily with finger pressure.

Local schools help "Toys for Tots"

On Thursday, Dec. 15, Principals Jim White and Louie Dudeck traveled to Grand Rapids with student representatives to accept a certificate of appreciation from Captain R.L. Yarbery of the United States Marine Corps for their participation in the "Toys for Tots" Campaign.

Joining White and Dudeck were student representatives Nathan Seeley and Julie Shortle from Alto Elementary and Jill Rozman and Dianna Rice from Runciman/Riverside.

The students in each school contributed several large boxes of new toys as their way of mak-

ing a brighter, happier Christmas for those in our county who are less fortunate. More than six thousand new toys were distributed as a result of "Toys for Tots".

Thank you Alto and Runciman/Riverside Elementaries.

Every shopper knows 28th Street congestion can put a damper on the entire Holiday season! This year, why not shop the over 50 merchants in Lowell. Holiday dollars spent here in your hometown stay here, help pay for community services and support Lowell in many ways.

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The Arctic tern spends three months of each year in the arctic regions, three months in the Antarctic and almost six months in the air.

JOHN CLORE'S AUTOS, INC & LA RENT-ALL
will close Sat. Dec. 24th at 12:00 noon and re-open Tues. Dec. 27th.
MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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Vows Spoken...



Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Austin

Debra Lynn Videan and Robert Loren Austin exchanged wedding vows on September 10, 1988 at the South Boston Bible Church of Saranac.

Parents of the couple are Donald, Sr. and Margaret Videan of Ada, and Bert and Alma Au-

stin of Saranac.

The bride was attended by her sister, Jennifer Videan, as Maid of Honor. Alvin Smith was Best Man. Ushers were John Austin, nephew of the groom and Donald Videan, Jr., brother of the bride.



Happy Birthday

DEC. 22: Kristin Ellis, Carol Reagan, Garret Ellison, Sue Meisner, Mark Lenartz, Eva Metternick.
DEC. 23: Charles Reintges.

Save and freeze bits of chicken and vegetables, such as carrots, celery, potatoes and onions to make a chicken pie.

Homespun Devotions

By Pauline Spray

...because I live, ye shall live also. (John 14:19).

As I write these lines, the ground, trees, shrubs, and buildings are covered with a heavy blanket of snow. It doesn't seem possible that only a few days ago our mums were nodding gayly. Their beauty added to the grim surroundings freezing weather brings. Nor does the yard look the same. Last summer flowers cheered us with their splashes of pink, lavender, and gold. It takes a stretch of the imagination to believe that the jonquils, tulips, chrysanthemums, lilies and phlox will come to life again. They are not dead, only sleeping.

An elderly person, who was fast approaching the end of her life's sojourn on earth, once wrote a friend that she was preparing for "the great transition." To her, death was not something to be dreaded; it was only a change to be made.

Because Jesus Christ broke the confines of the tomb and made it possible for all humanity to live eternally, He has given us hope beyond the grave. He has given Christians the promise of new life - after they have made "the great transition."

Prayer: Dear Jesus, because Thou hast triumphed over the confines of the tomb, I have hope in this life - and the next. Because Thou dost live, I shall live also. For this I praise Thee. Amen.

Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace hath bro't me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.
John Newton

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ganzations and local residents to the American Hostages in Iran. The Kent Intermediate School District's request for an increase of 1.75 mills for special education purposes was supported by the Lowell Board of Education.

Lowell Sport Shoppe announced the addition of a new, darkroom and silk screening equipment. The silk screening setup has the capacity for up to four colors.

Michigan Bell held an open house in celebration of its newly installed 5 ESS Digital Switch. The switch allows residents to enjoy a variety of basic features.

Lowell resident Gary Yeiter was reunited with his birth mother, Barbara Sonneiter, of Rosenheim, Germany, after a 33 year separation. Yeiter was separated from his mother shortly after birth, when Sam and Ida Yeiter adopted him.

February 17, 1988
Nine Lowell Elementary students were injured in a bus accident on 36th Street. Mary Kay Wright, the bus driver, was westbound on 36th Street when she shifted as the bus was beginning to descend on a hill, as she did this, the right rear side of the bus slid right and stopped after hitting a tree.

T&D Truck and Auto was destroyed by a fire. The damage was estimated at \$15,000. Seven Red Arrow wrestlers qualified for the regionals at the district tournament in Hudsonville.

Lowell seniors Matt Newhouse and Ken Mulder were named as finalists for the 1988 National Merit Scholarship Program.

February 24, 1988
Frost was responsible for pulling a pipe out of its joint, causing a 10,000-gallon sewage spill into Denny Hawk's cornfield at 64th and Bancroft Avenue.

The Lowell City Council approved a variance submitted by Keiser's Kitchen allowing the 20-by-60 expansion of the building previously occupied by

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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 AREA. WE PREFER SUCH NOTICES TO BE KEPT BRIEF AND TO BE SUBMITTED BY MAIL, BUT WILL ACCEPT NOTICES BY PHONE AT 897-9261.

first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. No December or January meetings.

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.

3RD WEDNESDAY - Jolly Community Club will meet at Millcreek Meadows West for dinner at 12 noon.

FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: The Bowne Township Historical Society will hold regular meetings at the Township Hall, 6059 Linfield, Alto, on the

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 Ada Township Hall and behind Cascade Christian Church on Thornapple River Drive, north of Cascade, for old papers. All revenue goes to non-profit organizations in this area.

SATURDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops #MI 1493 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 #MI 372 meets every Tuesday evening at the Lowell Congregational Church basement. Corner of Spring and Hudson Sts. Weigh-ins at 5:45 p.m.

THURSDAYS: Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops MI No. 333. Saranac, meets every Thursday evening at the Saranac Public Library. Weigh-ins at 6:45 p.m.

3RD THURS. OF EACH MONTH: Senior Citizens luncheons are provided by the Mom's Club, with the cooperation of Saranac Community Church at 12 noon. The public is invited and no reservations are necessary.

2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAY: Toastmasters Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Ada Congrega-

EVERY MONDAY EVENING: "Euchre" will be played at the V.F.W. Post 8303 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$1. Prizes. Public welcome.

EVERY MON. & TUES. MORNING - Coffee Break Bible Study, Monday 7:15 to 8:30 p.m.; Tuesday 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Lakeside Community Church, 6201 Whitneyville Rd.

3RD SAT. OF EACH MONTH - V.F.W. Post No. 8303 in Lowell, 307 W. Main. Steak dinner, serving 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. Public invited.

2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAY: Toastmasters Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Ada Congrega-

tional Church, 7339 Bronson Blvd. in Ada. For more info, call 676-1583 or 363-6792.

EVERY TUES. MORNING - Ladies join us for Coffee Break/Story Hour at Calvary Christian Reformed Church, 1151 W. Main, Lowell 9:30 thru 10:45 a.m. Nursery provided.

FRI., DEC. 23: 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Live nativity drive-thru. Bowne Center, corner of 84th St. and Alden Nash. No charge. Everyone welcome.

THURS., JAN. 12: Lunch and Learn. Senior Citizen speaker series sponsored by Lowell Community Education. This month the speaker will be from Kent County Recycling. Call 897-8434 for reservations and information.

DRAWN BY: Tom Roudabush, age 11
Bushnell, Mrs. Young

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<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. WE INVITE YOU TO MAKE THIS COMMUNITY CHURCH YOUR CHURCH HOME. WELCOME TO ALL</p>	<p>ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH 7227 Thornapple River Dr. 676-1032 Pastor: THOMAS J. BARTHA Morning Worship 10:00 A.M. Sunday School 11:20 A.M. Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.</p>	<p>BETHANY BIBLE CHURCH 3900 East Fulton REV. RAYMOND E. BEFUS Morning Worship 9:50 A.M. (Broadcast 10 A.M. WMAX 1470) Sunday School 11:15 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Wednesday Service 7:30 P.M.</p>	<p>CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE OF LOWELL 201 North Washington Street REV. RICK UPCHURCH Church School 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Wednesday Mid-Week Service Jr. Teens, Adults 7:00 P.M. Nursery-Come & Worship With Us</p>
<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>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ALTO Corner of 60th Street & Bancroft Avenue Sunday School 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening Worship 7:00 P.M. Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer Meeting 7:00 P.M. GENE SICKLER, PASTOR 868-6403 or 868-6912</p>	<p>ALTON BIBLE CHURCH Lincoln Lake Ave. at 3 Mile Road Sunday School 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening Praise 7:00 P.M. Wednesday AWANA 7:00 P.M. (Sept. - April) Prayer and Bible Study 7:30 P.M. REV. KENNETH R. MCGEE, Pastor 897-5648 or 897-4273 YOU ARE WELCOME!</p>	<p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL 2275 West Main Street Sunday School 9:45 A.M. Sunday Worship Services 11:00 A.M. & 6:00 P.M. Awana - Wednesday 6:50 P.M. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 P.M. JOE GERKIN, PASTOR 897-0017 DAVID COBB, YOUTH PASTOR 897-6348</p>
<p>FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST 48 Lafayette SE (1 block S. of Fulton) Grand Rapids, MI Sunday Service & Sunday School 10:30 A.M. Wednesday Evening Service 8:00 P.M. (Child Care Provided) Weekdays 9 to 5:00, Saturday 10 to 4:00 First 2 Mondays of month - 7:00 - 9:00 ALL ARE WELCOME</p>	<p>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL (United Church of Christ) 404 North Hudson 997-5906 Worship and Church School 10:00 A.M. Rev. David Hagens, Pastor Eleanor Martin, Director of Education Marilyn Ossentjuk, Director of Music Barrier-Free Nursery Provided</p>	<p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LOWELL 621 E. Main Street 897-5936 REGULAR HOURS Morning Worship 9:00 A.M. and 10:45 A.M. Church School 9:30 to 10:30 A.M. REV. WILLIAM AMUNDSEN, MINISTER Nursery available at both services Barrier - Free Entrance</p>	<p>FRIENDSHIP COUNTRY CHAPEL 10200 Grand River Ave. Sunday Services 10:30 A.M. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 P.M. BOB ROUSH, PASTOR 897-7489</p>
<p>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH 10305 Bluewater Highway Morning Worship 10:00 A.M. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:00 A.M. JOSEPH FREMER, PASTOR 897-8307</p>		<p>MISSIONARY CHURCH 10501 Settlewood 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>ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH 402 N. Amity MSGNR JAMES MORAN Saturday Mass 5:30 P.M. Sunday Mass 9:00 & 11:00 A.M.</p>

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Former graduate receives award from NCEA

The National Community Education Association presented William O. Potter National Professional Service Letter of Merit Award at their annual conference held Dec. 1 in Orlando, FL. The NCEA honored Potter for his 30 years of community education citing the following accomplishments:

- Setting up Michigan Pilot Upper Peninsula Community Education Program in 1964 at Iron Mountain, Kingsford, Michigan.
- One of the founding fathers of three Community Education Associations. Helped write the By-Laws and constitutions of the U.P.

Community Education, Michigan Community Education and National Community Education Association. He was a charter member of each.

- Was instrumental in the development of other U.P. Community Education programs.
- Helped initiate the first Big Brother Program in the U.P. in 1968 in Iron Mountain-Kingsford. Also helped other U.P. Programs start similar programs.
- Initiated the first Head Start program in the U.P. in 1966.
- Helped initiate the first Big Sister program in the U.P. in 1970.
- Served on a National Task Force in 1972 to develop a Rural Model

for Community Education in Arkansas.

- Has taught college classes for Northern Michigan and Central Universities.
- Received the Outstanding Community School Program Award for the State of Michigan in 1980.
- Received the 1974 State of Michigan Award - Keep Michigan Clean.
- Received the Distinguished Service Award in 1980 for his development of the Big Brother Program.
- Co-founder of Michigan's U.P. Community School Games - A three-day event involving 28

community school programs. The 3,000 to 3,500 competitors involved in the Games make it one of the most unique programs in the country.

- Received the Charles Stewart Mott Award in 1981 as the Outstanding Community School Director of the Year.
- Present Task Force member which recently drafted Michigan's 5-year Community Education Plan.
- Helped to establish the Northern Michigan University Residence Center for college classes.
- Present member of the NMU-Bay De Noc College Advisory Board, Michigan Association

Concerned with School Age Parents, How To Say No Task Force, and Michigan Community Education Association committees for 1989 Fall Conference and Future of Community Education.

- Past Chairman of the U.P. Community Education Association, Board member of Michigan Community Education Association, NMU Golden Wildcats, and Adult Education Association of Michigan.
- Was involved with initial legislation to provide partial reimbursement of Community School Director's Salaries in the State of Michigan.

-Many educational committees work at the local, U.P., State and National levels for the past 30 years.

Potter was a 1950 graduate of Lowell High School. His mother, Euzefa Potter Mason, resides on a farm on Pratt Lake Ave. in Lowell. Potter was one of the early pioneers of community education, which has now grown on a worldwide basis.

Former restaurant owner killed in construction accident

Arthur Lawrence Johnson, former owner of the Changing Times Restaurant in Lowell, was killed Friday, Dec. 16. Johnson was operating a forklift tractor loaded with wood when a hydraulic hose on the machine disconnected and the forklift came down on his chest, pinning him.

Johnson, who was an independent contractor was found about 7:30 p.m. by a resident where he was building a pole barn. Johnson was working alone.

Funeral arrangements are published in the Obituary heading of this issue of the Lowell Ledger.

The bagpipe is an old instrument. It is spoken of in the Old Testament and it was used by the Egyptians, Greeks and Romans.

DRAWN BY:
Michelle Smith, age 10
Riverside, Mr. Blodgett

Merry Christmas To All From
George Sargeon
Iceman's Outlet, Inc.
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Formerly Village Party Shoppe

New fire barn on the top of Lowell's priority list

A year ago a space need study by WBDC identified a list of needs from all Lowell City departments. Based on the information gathered through their interviews the following departments were listed in order of priority.

Including the fire department, the police department, the vehicular storage - public works, administration/meeting facility, public works administration expansion, and the expansion of the existing library.

In an effort to relieve some of those space needs the Lowell City Council discussed the construction of a proposed fire barn that would be located adjacent to the public works building on the east side of South Hudson and immediately south of the public works garage.

"The building would benefit and help the space needs of other departments in need of storage," Lowell City Manager David Pasquale said. "Public Works is in need of space as is the police department." With the proposed new barn this space need could be easily accommodated by three facilities (fire department behind city hall, the old department of public works and the new public works department) now used by the fire vehicles.

The property which would hold an 8,700 square foot fire barn was originally designated to accommodate parking in the Recreation Park Plan of a few years ago.

"The integrity of the park plan is still there and the improvements for the park are still intact," Lowell City Manager David Pasquale said.

A report from the architect, engineering and planning firm of Robert, Lee, Wold and Associates indicates that of the three sites given: Bowes Road - the park property next to the water treatment plant; the property on Sibley and Ridgeview Drive; and the property on South Hudson, aforementioned, the South Hudson property represents the most appropriate location for the proposed new fire rescue station.

The Hudson Street site ranked

very high in all factors used to decide the best location for the proposed fire barn. The exceptions being its site development costs (fill is required) and possible traffic obstructions (railroad tracks). However, the Lowell Fire District has railroad tracks weaving throughout, that particular aspect would be a problem at any location.

Mark Valentine, General Manager of the Mid-Michigan Railroad Company, in a letter to the Robert, Lee, Wold and Associates stated that he did not see this as a potential problem and that they have and will continue to make every effort to clear the tracks in event of an emergency.

Pasquale stated a solution to the concern could be to maintain one vehicle in either the existing rescue barn or at City Hall to provide assistance to emergencies to the eastern fire district in the event vehicles are delayed by obstructions.

Following the approval of the Hudson Street site at the council's meeting, Pasquale said he has permission from the board to pursue proposals from architectural firms. "The first responsibility is to firm up the actual costs of the proposed fire barn, the type of construction, and its size," Pasquale said.

The new fire barn site study cost totaled \$2,000.



Year in Review, cont.

Showboat Restaurant, Keiser's set May 1 as the target date for Keiser's Kitchen re-opening.

Becky Vanderloo and Mary Brown were the winners of the Runciman/Riverside Spelling Bee.

Effie Price of Lowell celebrated her 100th birthday on Feb. 20.

Norm Byrne was the lucky winner of the Lowell Athletic Boosters Club/Lowell Auto Dealer car raffle.

Byrne was one of 24 contestants. The Lowell School Board member had a choice of one of four cars. He chose the Ford Escort.

Hardie's held a ceremonial groundbreaking on Feb. 25 at the site of the future restaurant at the Ridgeview Mall.

John and Doris Gerard celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Feb. 23.

Mike Rivers, Kyle Gildea and Tom Nugent completed their LHS wrestling careers at state competition in Battle Creek Lakeview. Rivers was the only Arrow to medal.

Mary Ann Ayres retired from her duties as secretary to the Lowell High School principal after 24 years.

Lowell's City Council passed a resolution that provides cost sharing as an incentive for property owners to construct or replace sidewalks on their premises.

The voluntary program offered 50 percent cost sharing for replacement of old sidewalks, and 25 percent city and 75 percent homeowner for new construction.

Amy Vezino, fifth-grader, St. Mary's Elementary, was the winner of the 1988 Regional Spelling Bee held at Alto Elementary.

March 16, 1988

Lowell's gymnastic team finishes eighth in the regionals at Kenowa Hills.

Roger Kropf of Kropf Orchard, solved his fruit bruising problems by combining molded foam trays and Goodyear Omnifilm as the solution to the complication.

Kropf said it is highly adaptable and ideally suited to highly bruise-susceptible fruits, like peaches and plums.

Local merchants had their day in court on March 9. The American Cancer Society had the merchants arraigned, tried, and convicted to raise money for the organization.

March 23, 1988

Curt Albrecht sold Radio Shack - Curt's Sound and Home Arcade Center to Jim Hodges, formerly the Director of the

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Have A Safe and happy holiday

DRAWN BY:
Tammy Stauffer, age 10
Riverside, Mrs. Roth

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Minor injuries incurred

Cathy Dykstra of Lowell glanced into the back seat at her four-year-old son and before any evasive action could be taken her vehicle struck this tree on North Jackson, according to the Lowell Police report.

Dykstra and her son both sustained minor injuries. They were treated and released by Metropolitan Hospital. She was ticketed with the failure to drive with due care and caution, according to the police report.

Pointers For Parents

New Antibiotic Taken Twice Daily

Many antibiotics have to be taken three or four times a day. If a child goes through an entire school day without receiving any medication, this brings the amount of antibiotic in the blood to below effective levels.

To confuse the matter even further, most antibiotics must be taken about an hour prior to meals because the presence of food interferes with absorption of the drug. Not only is it difficult for people to adhere to such a schedule, but many antibiotics, when taken on an empty stomach can cause stomach upset.

HO! HO! HO!

DRAWN BY:
Jason Fetterhoff, age 10
Riverside, Mr. Blodgett

King Mfg. Co.
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Merry Christmas

DRAWN BY:
Shelby Alber, age 10
St. Mary's, Mrs. VanderZee

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Laurie Byrant, age 10
Riverside, Mrs. Roth

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Santa Claus - Coming

DRAWN BY:
Ryan Odell, age 11
Bushnell, Miss Martinsons

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Holiday safety tips from AAA

This holiday season, homeowners should carefully follow safety precautions when decorating and preparing foods to ensure the season is as safe as it is merry, advises AAA Michigan.

"Celebrants should choose a fresh Christmas tree or a flame-resistant artificial tree," stated Dick Robertson, AAA Michigan property claim manager. "If a fresh tree is selected, once you get it home, you should make a fresh cut in the trunk and place it immediately in water."

Robertson noted that the tree should always be well-watered. A dry tree is easily ignited, so the tree should be removed from the home after the holidays.

Among his suggestions:

- * Make certain holiday lights are in good shape before stringing them indoors. Cords should not be frayed and plugs should fit snugly into wall outlets. Be sure to turn off lights at night before retiring and when leaving the house. Never leave small children alone near a lighted tree. Keep the switch or outlet away from the tree and clear of water.
- * Keep cords away from doorways and other areas where visitors may trip on them.
- * Keep candles away from small children and animals. Never place candles near draperies or hanging decorations. Completely extinguish candles when leaving a room. It is safest not to use open-flame candles as inside decorations.
- * After holiday gifts have been opened, place discarded wrappings in a safe spot, away from matches, candles and electric or gas heaters.
- * Make sure all ashes in ashtrays are cold before throwing them away.
- * Place a protective screen in front of crackling fires in the hearth to prevent a live spark from burning a hole in the carpeting or igniting papers.
- * Observe all safety rules when preparing holiday meals -- wipe spilled grease or food from floors as soon as possible, keep saucapans on the back burner so children won't be tempted to peek in and tip a pan over. Lift covers from steaming saucapans away from yourself to avoid being burned. Make sure handles on serving pans are secure before carrying them from the stove to the table.
- * "If you are unaccustomed to having children in your home, but expect them to visit during the holidays, be sure to place all poisonous household detergents, cleaning fluids and medicines out of reach," added Robertson.

The holidays can be a hectic time of year. To avoid fatigue--which can increase the likelihood of a home accident--the family should plan short rest periods.

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Happy Holidays
Sen. Dick Robertson and Family

Business tax reform, a relief

For a dozen years, Michigan small business owners have been pinned under the burdensome weight of the Single Business Tax. Many businesses collapsed under the SBT, because it compelled them to pay taxes even when they weren't making a profit.

At last, that weight is being lifted.

Last week, the Legislature approved a bill to give qualifying small businesses the option of paying a 4 percent pure profits tax rather than the Single Business tax. Senate Bill 878 means that thousands of fledgling, not-yet-profitable businesses will no longer owe taxes. It also means thousands more will get a tax break under an expanded small business credit.

Qualifying businesses are those with adjusted incomes of less than \$475,000, compensation to any one owner of no more than \$95,000 and reported gross receipts of up to \$7.25 million in 1989 and \$7.5 million in 1990. Businesses making less than \$45,000 won't have to file a return starting in 1993.

Senate Bill 878 will give Michigan a boost in two ways.

First, the measure will be an immediate boon to small business owners, who continue to be the leading source of new jobs in the state. While 68,000 jobs were eliminated by the auto industry and other major employers between 1984 and 1986, small businesses were generating 104,000 new jobs. Obviously, it is important to buttress the ability of small business to keep Michigan working.

Additionally, the bill will help to reverse the impression that Michigan is doing nothing to improve its business climate. Recently, in a poll of Michigan manufacturers by Michigan Bell, 62 percent of the respondents said the state is either a "fair" or "poor" place to do business. High taxes was the number one reason cited for the poor rating.

The best legislation is that which emerges from bipartisan, bicameral negotiation. Senate Bill 878 is the handiwork of both chambers, and is expected to earn the governor's swift endorsement. I look forward, along with entrepreneurs across the state, to the nurturing effect it will have on Michigan's small business climate.

Year in Review, cont.

YMCA Albrecht moved to Winslow, Ariz., where he will start a new Radio Shack franchise.

Hodges re-opened the store in April at its new location, the Ridgeview Mall next to Family Dollar.

Lowell's Science Olympiad team qualified for state competition by finishing fifth out of 30 high schools in the fourth annual regional science tournament at Grand Valley State University.

LHS student Curt Bond was one of thousands on hand for the Nevada Desert Experience. The demonstration was in protest of the nuclear testing site.

Lowell freshman Laura Kropf competed in the state gymnast competition in Ann Arbor. She qualified for state competition in the uneven bars. Kropf finished 12th.

March 30, 1988

Dave Baerwalde, president of the newly formed H.O.O.P., presents a plan before the city fathers to start up a three-on-three outdoor basketball tournament. He said the tourney would run from June 10 through the 12th.

Plans for a new business in Lowell was brought to the Planning Commission's attention. It reviewed a site plan for the store to locate at the northeast corner of Ridgeview Avenue and West Main St.

The Quonset Hut, a Lowell landmark since the mid 1930's was knocked down on March 24. The building was constructed by C.J. Place during the 4-H Fair; was used to serve dinners at the horse shows; was used for storage by the city; and C.H. Runci-man used the building to store sacks of white beans.

Lowell residents learned that postal rates will go up effective April 3. The cost of mailing a First-Class letter will rise to 25 cents.

Dana Blohm was awarded the Gerald R. Ford Leadership Scholarship for 1988 by the Gerald R. Ford Women's Club.

April 6, 1988

Heritage Meat Market announced that it will change over to Westside Deli, a prepared food franchise.

Heritage's broasted chicken and ribs were carried over to the Westside menu. The reason for the change was because the market changed from fresh meats to prepared food.

Republican Senate candidate Bob Huber spoke at the Lowell Rotary. Huber discussed drugs, foreign trade, the deficit and defense. Gathering votes for an upcoming election were also on the politician's mind.

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BOWNE TOWNSHIP NOTICE

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Notice is hereby given that the Bowne Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on a proposed amendment to the Bowne Township Zoning Ordinance. The proposed amendment deals with Section 11.02 of the Bowne Township Zoning ordinance and would permit a "Warehousing and Distribution Establishment" as a permitted use in the "I-1" Light Industrial District.

The public hearing shall be held on:

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 1989 at 8 P.M.

local time, at the Bowne Township Hall in Alto, Michigan. All interested persons are invited to attend.

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GRATTAN TOWNSHIP

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING GRATTAN TOWNSHIP LAND USE PLAN

Notice is hereby given that on:

JANUARY 18, 1989 at 8:00 P.M.

at the Grattan Township Hall, the Grattan Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing for the purpose of hearing citizen's comments regarding the draft land use plan for the township.

Copies of the plan will be available after January 2, 1989 at the township hall during regular working hours.

All interested persons are invited to attend.

Grattan Township Planning Commission
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DRAWN BY:
Evie Boone, age 10
Riverside, Mrs. Roth

REEDY REALTY, INC.
1160 W. Main St.
Box 129
Lowell, MI
897-9239

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

WHEREAS, default has been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by **George R. Anderson III and Debra A. Anderson, his wife**, Mortgagors, to **Benchmark Mortgage Corporation**, a Michigan corporation, Mortgagee, dated the 19th day of October, A.D., 1987, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Kent and State of Michigan, on the 21st day of October, A.D., 1987 in Liber 2336 of Mortgages on Pages 369-373.

Part of the northeast 1/4 commencing at the intersection of the centerline of 13-Mile Road (now Podunk Avenue) and the north line of the south 1/2 of the north 1/2 of the northeast 1/4; thence west along said north line to the north-south 1/4 line; thence south 193 feet along said 1/4 line; thence east parallel with said north line to said centerline; thence northwesterly along said centerline 209.66 feet, more or less to the point of beginning, Section 22, Town 9 north, Range 9 West.

The redemption period shall be one (1) year from the date of such sale.
Dated December 7, 1988

Benchmark Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee.

Charles M. Forrest, Jr.
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703 E. Court Street
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Telephone: (313) 238-4030
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WHEREAS, the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage as of the date of this notice is the sum of Sixty-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Four and 04/100 dollars (\$64,884.04), for principal and interest and,

WHEREAS, no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof, and default having been made whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative.

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **THURSDAY the 12th day of January, 1989, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon**, local time, said mortgage will be foreclosed at a sale at public auction to the highest bidder at the Main lobby of the Hall of Justice in the City of Grand Rapids, County of Kent and State of Michigan (that being the place of holding Cir-

In Uniform

Pvt. Rollin F. Hill Jr., son of Rollin F. Hill of Saranac, has completed the OH-58 helicopter repair course at the U.S. Army Aviation School, Fort Rucker, AL.

Subjects personnel studied through academics and hands-on training included the OH-58 turbine engine, transmission, electrical systems, flight controls, main and tail rotor systems, and the aircraft's hydraulic system.

He is a 1978 graduate of Hudsonville High School.

Staff Sgt. Willard S. Stawski, son of Ted and Barbara Grevers of Alto, has been awarded an associate degree in applied science by the Community College of the Air Force.

The worldwide college, headquartered at Maxwell Air Force Base, AL, awards associate degrees to enlisted airmen for programs combining technical education received in the Air Force with general education provided by civilian institutions.

Stawski is a deficiency report manager at Shaw Air Force Base, S.C., with the 363rd Tactical Fighter Wing.

He is a graduate of Caledonia High School.

training by jumping from 34-foot and 250-foot towers. The final week they made five staticline parachute jumps including one night jump.

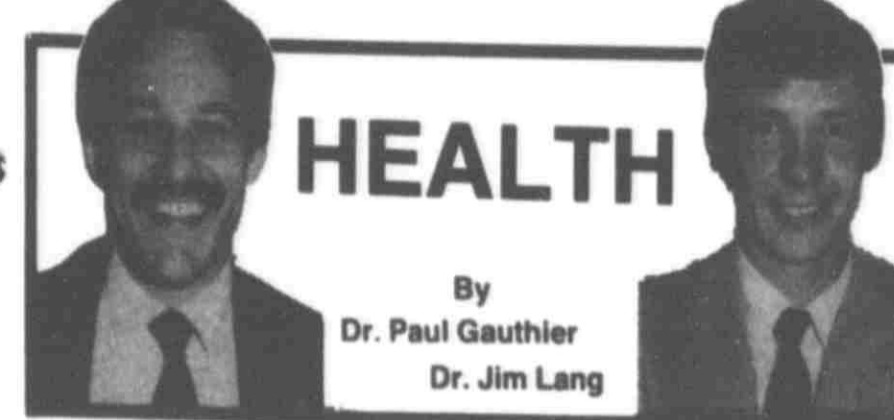
He is a graduate of Catholic Central High School.

He is a 1988 graduate of Lowell Senior High School.

Army Pvt. David M. Keister, son of Joanne Cowles of Lowell, has arrived for duty in West Germany.

Keister is a combat engineer with the 78th Engineer Battalion.

He is a 1988 graduate of Lowell High School.



HEALTH
By Dr. Paul Gauthier and Dr. Jim Lang

HEALTH COLUMN YOUR DIET AND CHOLESTEROL

In last week's column we discussed the importance of maintaining our cholesterol in the acceptable range. For most of us, this means our serum cholesterol level should be at or below 200 mg/dl. In today's column we are going to review some specific diet guidelines. To keep your cholesterol low, follow these recommendations.

Meats: Lean cuts of beef include extra lean ground beef, sirloin tip, round steak, rump roast, center cut ham, loin chops and tenderloin. You should trim all fats before cooking. It is not necessary to severely curtail red meat. Women should avoid severe reduction of meats which could lead to iron deficiency anemia. Avoid processed meats; they contain large quantities of hidden fat. These include bacon, bologna, salami, sausage, and hot dogs. Organ meats such as liver, sweetbreads, and kidneys are very high in cholesterol and should be avoided. Chicken and turkey are good sources of protein. Fat can be reduced by removing the skin. Poultry should not be fried or covered with fat-rich sauces. Fish are excellent sources of protein and can be substituted for red meats. They contain cholesterol but are low in fat. Fish should not be fried. Most shellfish contain less fat than meat or poultry. Some shellfish such as shrimp are relatively high in cholesterol and should be eaten only occasionally. A reasonable approach is to limit intake of lean meat, poultry and fish to six ounces per day.

Dairy Products: Use skim or 1% milk instead of 2% or whole milk. Decrease your intake of natural or processed cheeses and substitute low-fat type. Have at least two servings of low-fat dairy products daily to maintain calcium.

Fats & Oils: Reduce intake of fats and oils that are high in saturated fatty acids and cholesterol. Butter should be avoided. Vegetable fats do not contain cholesterol, but palm oil, coconut oil and palm kernel are high in saturated fat and should be avoided. These are often found in processed foods and bakery goods. Read the labels. Desirable liquid vegetable oils are corn oil, cottonseed oil, olive oil, safflower oil, soybean oil or sunflower oil.

Eggs: Eat no more than three egg yolks per week. Substitute one to two egg whites instead of whole eggs in recipes.

Fruits & Vegetables: The more, the merrier! They are rich in fiber, vitamins and minerals.

Breads, Cereals, Pasta, Beans: These are high in carbohydrates and proteins while low in fat and should be increased in the diet as a substitute for fatty foods. Combine large quantities of pastas, rice, beans or legumes with smaller amounts of lean meat, fish or poultry to derive complete protein sources with less fat and calories.

Cooking methods are important also. Steaming, baking, broiling or grilling are preferred to frying. Soups and stews should be cooled after cooking and the congealed fat that forms on the top skimmed and discarded. Allow the fat to drain from meat after cooking.

By limiting our saturated fat and cholesterol intake we can lessen the risk of coronary heart disease.

Year in Review, cont.

The Women of the Moose donated \$1,000 to Lowell fire chief Frank Martin. The money was to be used for fire equipment.

Lowell's volunteer firemen completed their three month mini pumper project.

The newly built vehicle pumps 300 gallons of water per minute. It also has a 200-gallon holding capacity.

Dardi McCombs was the lucky winner of Casual Touch's "win a trip" contest. McCombs used the \$600 voucher toward her December honeymoon.

April 13, 1988

Stanley Heckar, a retired employee at Stanfield Associates, gave Lowell's Board of Education a preliminary report of the district's enrollment projections.

Area youths at the Veen Observatory spent a spring evening zeroing in their sights on Venus. The observatory members used the Jeffery Borr 12.5 telescope reflector.

Lowell residents around the Lincoln Lake Avenue and Richard's Park area gave their consent to the H.O.O.P. three-on-three basketball tournament in June.

April 20, 1988

Lowell's Police Department started a foot patrol duty for selective enforcement in an effort to control the loitering problem on Main Street. The effort was put forth to help merchants with disorderly conduct on the city streets and bridge.

Geraldyn Bryant, 38, owner of Vanity Hair Fashions died suddenly on Monday, April 11 after being hospitalized for a week because of a blood clot in her leg.

Dick Dard and Laura Jastifer opened up a Cleaning Products Supply business in Lowell on Monday, April 11.

KaylaRae Hagadus surprised her parents, Mike and Lisa, and local doctor James Lang when she made a surprise entry into the world at the Lowell Family

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KaylaRae Hagadus makes a surprise entrance in Dr. Jim Lang's office.



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Wish You A Safe And Happy Holiday Season!

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1988 Firearm season sets new harvest record

The 1988 firearm deer hunting season set a new harvest record of 289,000 deer, exceeding last year's take of 257,360. Poor weather during much of the season held the harvest below the expected take of 321,000 deer.

Tests conducted by the Michigan Department of Public Health at the highway deer biological stations showed no "Ixodes ticks" (lyme disease carrying ticks) were found on the 4,157 deer examined.

"This confirms our belief that there is little, if any, danger of contracting lyme disease during deer hunting season," said Dr. Stephen M. Schmitt, Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Wildlife Veterinarian.

Overall, there were more firearm hunters this year, and hunter attitude was excellent, despite the bad weather.

Deer were in excellent shape and will be entering the winter in a healthy condition, in spite of this year's severe drought.

"We are pleased with the hunters' success," said Director

David F. Hales, of the DNR. "The deer hunting season is far from over, and we are certain the economic benefit to local communities and to the State of Michigan will be significant."

Archery deer hunting season began again December 1 and will end January 1, and the muzzleloading season is December 2 through 11 in the Upper Peninsula and from December 9 through 18 in the Lower Peninsula. About 50,000 archers and 100,000 muzzleloaders are expected to participate in the December season.

Hunting pressure was lighter during firearm season on public lands than last year, and about the same on private lands. Antler development was very good -- many 1 1/2-year-olds had six-and-eight-point racks.

Thirty-six injuries, compared to 33 in 1987, occurred during the firearm deer hunting season; 3 additional accidents resulted in fatalities, down substantially from 6 in 1987.



At times during the orbital motion of Uranus, the north or south pole is aligned nearly face on toward the Sun. During those times, the poleward hemisphere receives nearly constant sunlight, while the other hemisphere languishes in decades-long darkness.

Legal Notices



STATE OF MICHIGAN
County of Kent
Probate Court
JUVENILE DIVISION

TO: TERROLO JONES,
REGGIE HAMLIN AND
DORENA LINDSEY
In The Matter Of:
Levar O. LINDSEY
Hearing: January 11,
1989, at 2:00 p.m.

TO: JERRY AND MARY
PICKENS
In The Matter Of: Kelly
and Lenon PICKENS
Hearing: January 10,
1989, at 9:00 a.m.

TO: RANDALL AND SHANNON
GARN
In The Matter Of:
Katherine GARN
Hearing: January 26,
1989, at 9:00 a.m.

A petition for termination of parental rights has been filed in the above matter. A hearing on the petition will be conducted by the Court on the date and time stated above in Kent County Juvenile Court, 1501 Cedar NE, Grand Rapids, Michigan. It is therefore ordered that you personally appear before the Court at the time and place stated above. This hearing may result in a permanent loss of your rights to the child(ren).

Dated: December 14, 1988

JOHN P. STEKETEE
JUDGE OF PROBATE

STATE OF MICHIGAN
County of Kent
Probate Court
JUVENILE DIVISION

TO: TO LA AND TRAN THI
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Hearing: January 3,
1989, at 10:30 a.m.

TO: OTIS HAGGERTY AND
MIKE BASKIN
In The Matter Of:
Clarissa POLITE and
Kisha HAGGERTY
Hearing: January 11,
1989, at 3:00 p.m.

TO: DARRIN BAKER
In The Matter Of:
Darrin HOLIS
Hearing: January 19,
1989, at 10:00 a.m.

A neglect temporary wardship petition has been filed in the above matter. A hearing on the petition will be conducted by the Court on the date and time stated above in Kent County Juvenile Court, 1501 Cedar NE, Grand Rapids, Michigan. It is therefore ordered that you personally appear before the Court at the time and place stated above. This hearing may result in a permanent loss of your rights to the child(ren).

Dated: December 14, 1988

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Carl Roth's family picture

Who are the people in this picture? Norton Avery was the photographer? No, he wasn't. The picture was taken by Reverend Roster, the German Methodist Church Minister, according to Marion Yates. Lowell's Bill Roth (his dad is front row far right) with the help of Yates was able to identify all the people in the picture. The picture of the Carl Roth family was taken in the summer of 1909 at the family farm on Parnell Avenue. Pictured, front, from left to right, are the family dog Bob, Carl, Warner, Marion Yates, William (Roth's dad), second row, Rosa Moxon, Freda McKinnie, Elisa, Ernest, back row, Carl - holding Irma Williams, Maria (grandmother), Fred, and Anna Moye.

Year in Review, cont.....

Medical Center on April 7. Doug Ybema, 26, Middleville was selected to replace Jim Hodges as the new Lowell YMCA associate executive director.

April 27, 1988
Lowell High School Assistant Principal Jim DeWeerd is nominated for the state's Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals outstanding assistant principal of the year award.

Reverend Hakan Englund of Helsinki, Sweden arrived in Lowell on April 9. Englund and Lowell Reverend Bill Amundsen made the two-month switch through the world Methodist Council Exchange Program.

Jim Hodges officially opened Lowelectronics at the Ridgeview Shopping Center.

Lori VanZandbergen was hired to replace Mary Ann Ayres as the Lowell High School secretary.

May 4, 1988
The West Central Michigan Historical Society received its \$28,000 grant money from the Michigan Department of Commerce. The money is being used

CITY OF LOWELL

LETTERS OF INTEREST FOR CITY COUNCILMEMBER POSITION

The Lowell City Council is requesting letters of interest from City residents wishing to apply for the recently vacated City Councilmember position. The term of office will extend to the end of the 1989 year. The letter of interest should include reasons why interested in this position. Letters are to be directed to James D. Maatman, Mayor, Lowell City Hall, 301 E. Main, Lowell, MI 49331. Letters will be accepted no later than January 3, 1988. C6-7

to help purchase and preserve the historical significance, heritage and culture of the land and properties John Fallas settled on in the 1830's.

Over 20 residents showed up at a city council meeting to express concern over a plan to install water and sewer lines on West Main Street and water lines on Hunt Street west of Beech.

Tom Nugent was presented with a plaque indicating he was the recipient of a \$3,000 national scholarship sponsored by Farmaid as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

Seven Lowell Forensics students qualified for state competition at the regionals in Wayland.

Showboat holds auditions for its amateur talent show. Six acts were selected to perform on the Showboat in June.

May 11, 1988

Despite the recommendation

of Lowell Superintendent Fritz Esch, the Lowell Board of Education voted not to delete the Lowell hockey program, defeating a policy



The Lettermen re-opened the Showboat to raving reviews.

The board vote went against a newly formed policy which stated LHS athletic programs must meet five of eight criteria stated in the policy.

Responses from Runciman School's balloon launch arrived from Western Ontario, Brights

Lodge Organization owned building to Ye Olde Curiosity Shoppes' owner, Helen Schaefer, the Senior Neighbors Center will be without a permanent home after June 15. Lowell resident, Christopher

Along Main St., cont.

Arrested for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol Sunday evening, Dec. 18 was Pamela LaBine, 38, of Lowell, after she lost control of her car and struck a house on Washington St. No one was injured.

Daniel Spickler, 25, of Lowell was issued an appearance ticket by Lowell officers to 63rd District Court for Assault.

1988: A Year in Review, cont.

Leach, was killed May 15 when the car he was driving struck a van returning from a church outing.

Reverend Daniel Watson was named the new reverend at the Lowell Assembly of God.

Bill and Ardit Barber, owners of McGee Homestead, opened their Bed and Breakfast establishment at the historic brick house lived in for years by Father John McGee.

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital "Wheels for Life" Bike-a-thon riders (area youths) raised \$1,300. The Bike-a-thon was held in the LHS parking lot.

May 25, 1988
Local area man Don Berg was injured when the walls of a trench collapsed on him while he and Ted Mauger were putting in field tile.

Norm Byrne, Doug Olin, David Hagens, Dave Noonan and Dennis Brown all announced their intention to run and hopefully win two vacated school board seats.



The heat of the summer had a splitting effect on local apple orchards.

Senator Dick Posthumus was a guest at the Runciman/Riverside Elementary fourth-grade breakfast.

The Lowell Community Fund for 1988 awarded community organizations with their monies. Hardee's, national fast-food

News from Scout Pack 3188

December has been a busy month for the boys and families of Pack 3188. The month began Dec. 3 with participation in Lowell's Christmas Parade, where the Pack took 1st place in the float competition.

December 10th twenty-seven scouts and families traveled to the Lowell Medical Center where they were welcomed by the residents for an evening of Christmas caroling.

The sanctuary of the First United Methodist Church of Lowell was the scene of the December meeting for the Pack. Den 4 opened the meeting by leading all present in the Pledge

of Allegiance. Den 1 and Den 6 teamed together to present a skit entitled "There Came a Stranger: The Story of Akela the Cub Scout".

The highlight of the evening was a candlelight ceremony where the following awards were presented: Jeff Nethercot - Bear Badge; Sean Ellison - Bear Silver Arrow Point; Mike Knudstrup - Wolf Badge, gold and silver arrow points; Jason Ferguson - 3 Wolf silver arrow points; Ken Gregersen - 1 gold and 4 silver Wolf arrow points; Ben Knudstrup - 10 activity badges; Brian Knudstrup - Bear

badge and 9 activity badges; Josha Ennis - 4 activity badges; Bobby Saylor - 11 activity badges; Matt Langner - 4 activity badges; Jason Konant - 3 activity badges; Todd Potts - 1 activity badge.

The evening concluded with refreshments in the church basement and a visit from St. Nicholas, who presented the boys with their official Pine Wood Derby car kits in preparation of next month's derby to be held on January 21.

Pack 3188 is sponsored by the First United Methodist Church of Lowell.

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restaurant chain, opened its doors to the residents of Lowell on May 19.

Keiser's Kitchen re-opened at the corner of South Division and East Main Street on May 23.

The Historical Commission of the Michigan Department of State registered the one-room Alton School House as a local historical site.

June 1, 1988
With the purpose of promoting international understanding a 1988 Rotary Group study Team of District 921 from Southern Africa (not including South Africa) composed of five young, business and professionals visited the Lowell Rotary at its weekly meeting.

Parchment and Lowell mayors exchanged ideas during "Michigan Week's" Mayor Exchange Day.

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1988: A Year in Review, cont.

Work continues on the Lowell Waste Water Treatment Plant expansion project which is scheduled to be completed in March of 1989.

Lowell's baseball field was renamed R.D. Bancroft Memorial Field in a ceremony honoring the memory of Bancroft.

Lowell's baseball team defeats Caledonia in district play, 5-2.

Todd Weststrate was named to the all-conference team in track. Girl thinclads being named were Tonya Stepek, Deb Adams, Pam Sterzick, Ann Hildenbrand, Leigh Ranburger and Karen Busler.

Robert Rice, for the first time in history of the Lowell band, qualified for the Michigan All-State Honors Band.

June 8, 1988

The Bowne Township Historical Society announced that it will restore the Bowne Center Aid Hall.

Lowell's girls' softball team claimed a district championship by defeating Portland 6-4 in the championship game.

Kathy Krull was named Miss Majorette of Michigan in Detroit at the National Baton Twirling Association State Competition.

Red Arrow's baseball team lost to Forest Hills Central in the district final, 10-4.

The commencement exercise for the "Great Class of 1988" was held June 5. The class motto was "We do not remember days, we remember moments."

June 15, 1988

Norm Byrne and David Hagens won the two open board seats in the Lowell School Board election. Byrne received 354 votes and Hagens 260.

Lowell's Max S. Astor was appointed second lieutenant in the United States Army.

June 22, 1988

"The Michigan Road" brought TV 8's Dick Evans to Lowell as he spoke to the Lowell Rotary. Jeff Phillips was named O-K White Athlete of the Year by the league.

Hazel Smith, owner of Straw Basket Collections moved her store into the former Radio Shack building.

Showboat City H.O.O.P.S. had over 500 people in two days view the games. The tourney attracted 76 teams, barely covering the two blocks that the three-on-three tournament encompassed.

In its first year, the good did outweigh the inconvenience, something both the H.O.O.P.S. tourney and city officials wanted and hope continues for the future.

June 29, 1988

"Celebrate Good Times."

The City of Lowell did just that as the Showboat returned to Lowell June 23-25 for the first time in six years. The Lettermen provided the entertainment.

The approximately 7,000 people who attended the re-opening over the weekend left with song and laughter in their hearts just as C.H. Runciman had intended.

The attendance was far beyond most expectations. The crowd of roughly 3,000 on Saturday, June 25 was the largest since 1977. The Friday night crowd totaled 2,200 and 1,800 people were entertained on Thursday night.

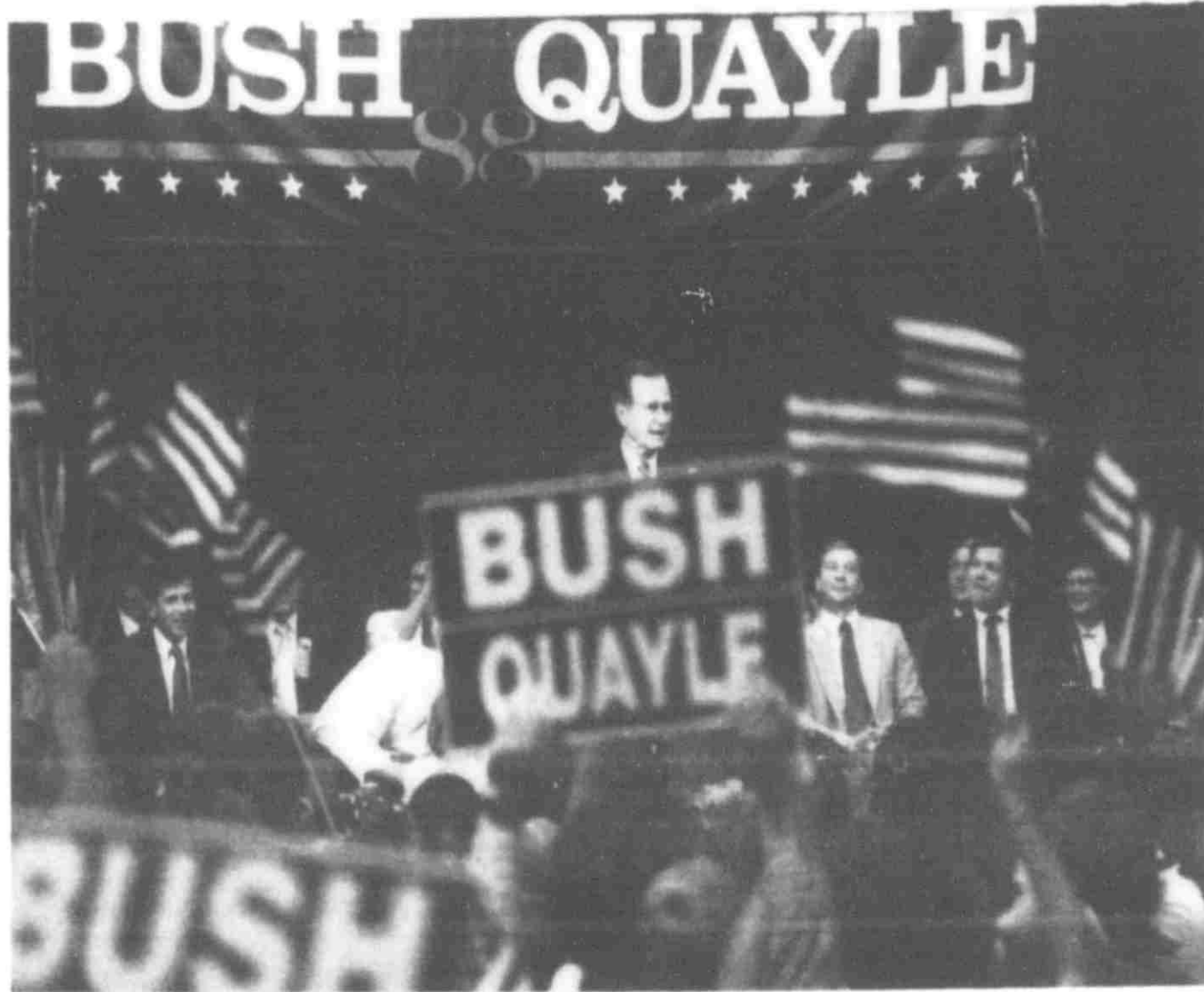
Kent and other counties were expected to be given disaster status unless rain rescued farmers from their continuing struggle with the drought of 1988.

Jerry VanderMeer was named the new manager of the Lowell NAPA Auto Parts Store.

Lowell's Chamber of Commerce honored Delores Dey for her 22 years of dedicated service as the Chamber's secretary.

July 6, 1988

A 19-year-old Lowell woman, Darcy Lynn McCready was held



George Bush for President - "That's the Ticket" for the next four years.

in lieu of \$50,000 bond, on an open murder charge, for the death of 19-month-old Allen M. Drayton, according to the Ionia County Prosecutor Gary Gabry.

Lowell Rotary installed its 1988-89 officers. They included Herb Haines, Jim Hodges, Jerry Patton, Roger Brown, James Lang, Jerry Hale, Roger Roberts, Paul Gauthier and Dick Bryan.

Steve DeHaan rides into Lowell on his 'Broken Wheel Cafe.' DeHaan's mobile cafe served up hot dogs, hamburgers, chili dogs, chips and cheese and soft drinks.

Bret Courtney and George Johnson recorded holes-in-one at Tyler Creek Recreation Area golf course.

July 13, 1988

Lowell's Board of Education announced at its July Board meeting that a special election would be held Sept. 26, asking for an additional 2.9 mills for the 1988-89 school year, over what the district is currently levying.

In addition to the 2.9 mill increase, Lowell schools said it would also ask for a .3 percent increase over the 2.9 (3.2) in 1989-90, and an additional .3 percent increase over the 3.2 (3.5) for 1990-91.

Jackie Foster, Don Green and many other Jaycees Chapter members helped bring a Jaycees chapter back to Lowell in February.

Lowell's Church of the Nazarene had two new signs and a strip of landscaping dedicated at the church.

King Milling received its first local load of wheat July 6 from Louis Mulder.

Lowell's Candi Wood was crowned the 15th annual Miss Macker Queen July 6 in Belding.

Lowell coaches Jack Kemper, Bob Perry, Rick White, Gary Rivers, Tom Stahr, Phil Christensen, Bob Rodenhouse, Charlie Pierce and Chris Burch were honored for their victory totals in a specified sport by the Franklin 1988 Select Circle Coaching Awards.

Lowell's athletic department finished second to East Grand Rapids in the O-K White All-Sports award.

July 20, 1988

Keith Caldwell, President and Chief Executive Officer of FMB-State Savings Bank announced the appointment of Brian Doyle as a Director of Bank.

Lowell's West Main water-sewer mains project was nixed by the Lowell City Council. The project would have cost \$486,603.

Pete Siler, Agriscience In-

structor at Lowell High School was elected President of the Michigan Association of Teachers of Vocational Agriculture at the annual state Technical Agriculture workshop.

Music Master, a tape, album, CD and 45 music shop opened up in Lowell.

July 27, 1988

The Lowell community got to know the person behind the man that walks through the town streets every day with the aid of his metallic walker.

Bernard Boersma shared some of life's storminess he has persevered through. The Lowell man uses walking as a medication for his heart and an enjoyment that has helped give him peace of mind.

Chris Kloosterman of Grand Rapids was chosen as the first recipient of the C.J. Christoff Scholarship at Western Michigan University.

August 3, 1988

At an August City Council meeting, Showboat City H.O.O.P.S. Classic spokesman Tom Scheidel presented checks of \$100 to the Lowell Boosters, the Knights of Columbus, the Senior Neighbors and Lowell Rescue.

Lowell youth David Carroll, 21, was killed July 31, when his car left the road and hit a tree on Covered Bridge Road near Falasburg Park.

The home of Doyle Schambau was destroyed by a fire thought to have started in the kitchen.

The Westside Deli Store opened its doors to the Lowell community.

Judy Baird, chairman of the Vergennes Cemetery Commission, and cohorts cleaned up the grounds at Fox's Corner Cemetery.

Baird and other volunteers spent four weekends uncovering and placing stones in an upright position on their bases.

Reedy Real Estate received national recognition for placing in the top 10 percent of more than 15,000 real estate firms across the country.

Tom Nugent and Jamie Beth Cook were named king and queen of the 1988 Kent County Youth Fair.

August 10, 1988

A report released by Showboat President Ray Quada stated that 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.

John Timpson, Jean Huver and Carol Wells were the big winners in the Lowell Township primary election. Timpson won the township supervisor race. Wells

won the township clerk race and Huver maintained her township treasurer seat.

Lowell's Board of Education passed a resolution to finalize the special millage election Sept. 26.

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 Ronald Reagan in Washington D.C.

August 17, 1988

The City of Lowell announced that an emergency medical service will be coming to Lowell. Rockford Ambulance, an affiliate of the Kent County Emergency Medical Service, having been in business for 20 years will provide Lowell Township and Vergennes Township with a pre-hospital emergency medical service.

Democratic Presidential nominee Michael Dukakis' daughter-in-law Lisa Dukakis visited Lincoln School checking out the facilities that are used to train and educate roughly 290 trainable mentally impaired, severely mentally impaired and severely multiply impaired students.

Fall two-a-day Lowell football practices start.

August 24, 1988

Lowell's Middle School opens its doors to area senior citizens. Lowell's Senior Neighbors center in need of a home was offered and accepted the use of the Lowell Middle School Graphic Arts room for at least one year.

LHS senior Dawn Finkler, 17, was in serious condition following a three-car accident on Aug 16 at 36th and Alden Nash.

Robert Reagan, D.D.S., having been in Lowell for 35 years, was elected by the "Keeping in Step for Kids" millage campaign as the school millage citizen chairperson.

Lowell Postmaster Charlie Doyle was one of more than 1,500 delegates to attend the 85th Annual National Convention of the National League of Postmasters in St. Louis, MO.

August 31, 1988

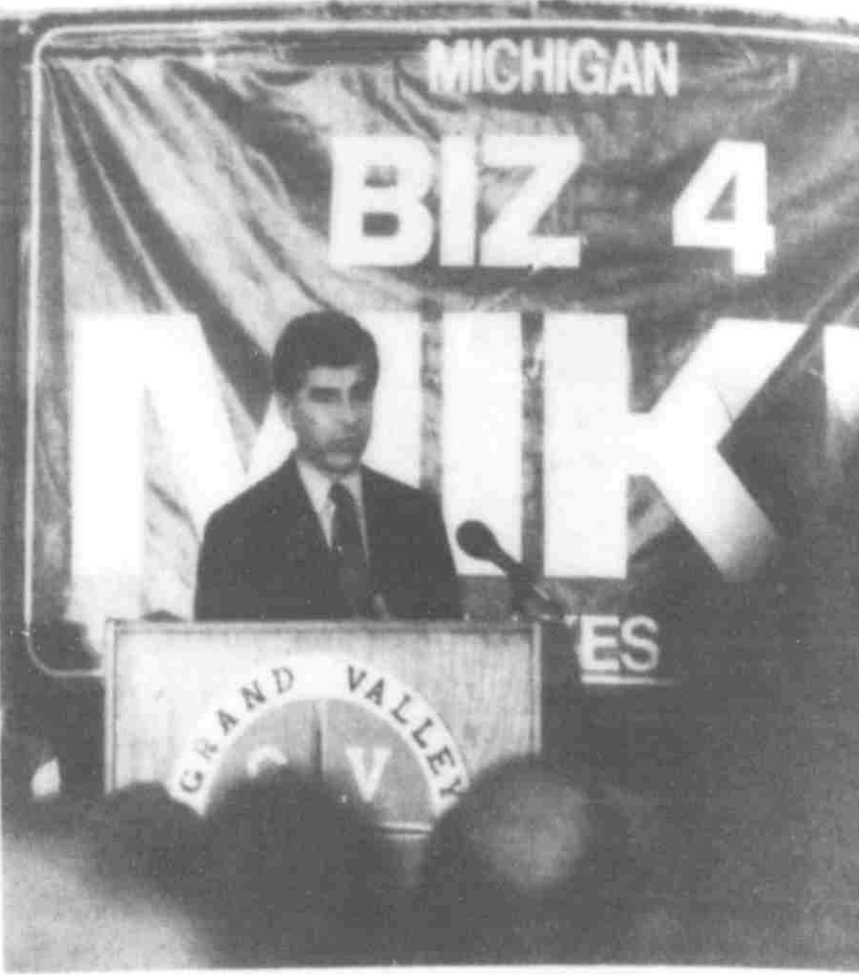
Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis visited West Michigan's Research and Technology Institute on Aug. 24.

Dukakis, politicking in a Republican dominated state talked about trade, the economy, the deficit, and George Bush.

Jane Aronson was named the new librarian of the Lowell Public Library.

September 7, 1988

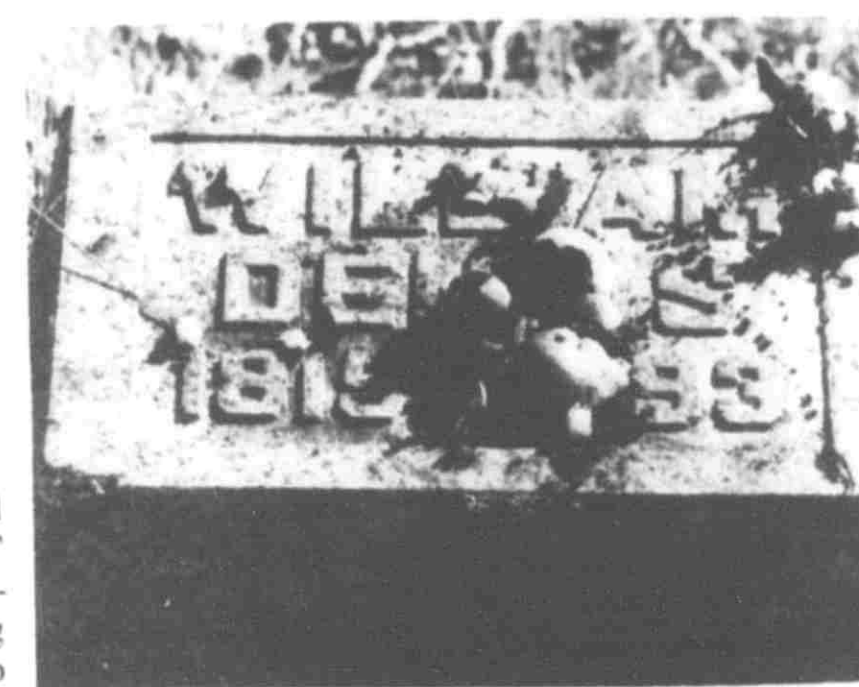
Lowell's Bushnell Elementary School started a playground equipment fund-raiser Sept. 2.



Michael Dukakis' dreams were dashed in November.



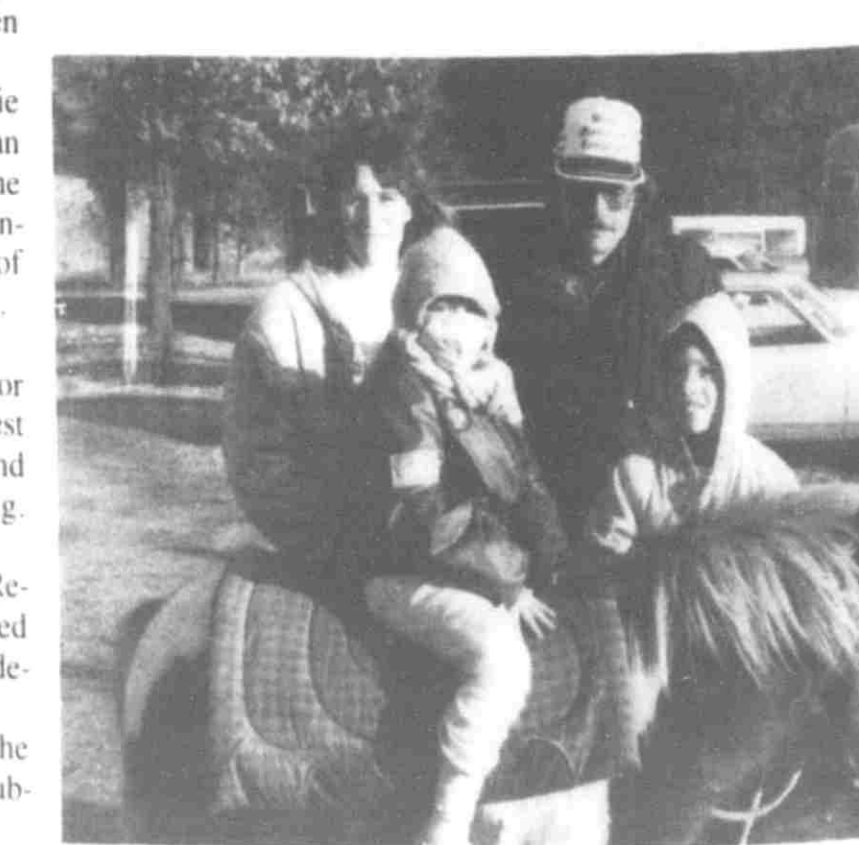
The 1987 4-H Fair Court.



Lowell's City Council stirs the wrath of some city residents when it decides to cut down 25 walnut trees at Oakwood Cemetery.



Lowell's football team upsets the previously unbeaten Zealand Chix.



Cyndi got her new pony thanks to small communities pulling together.

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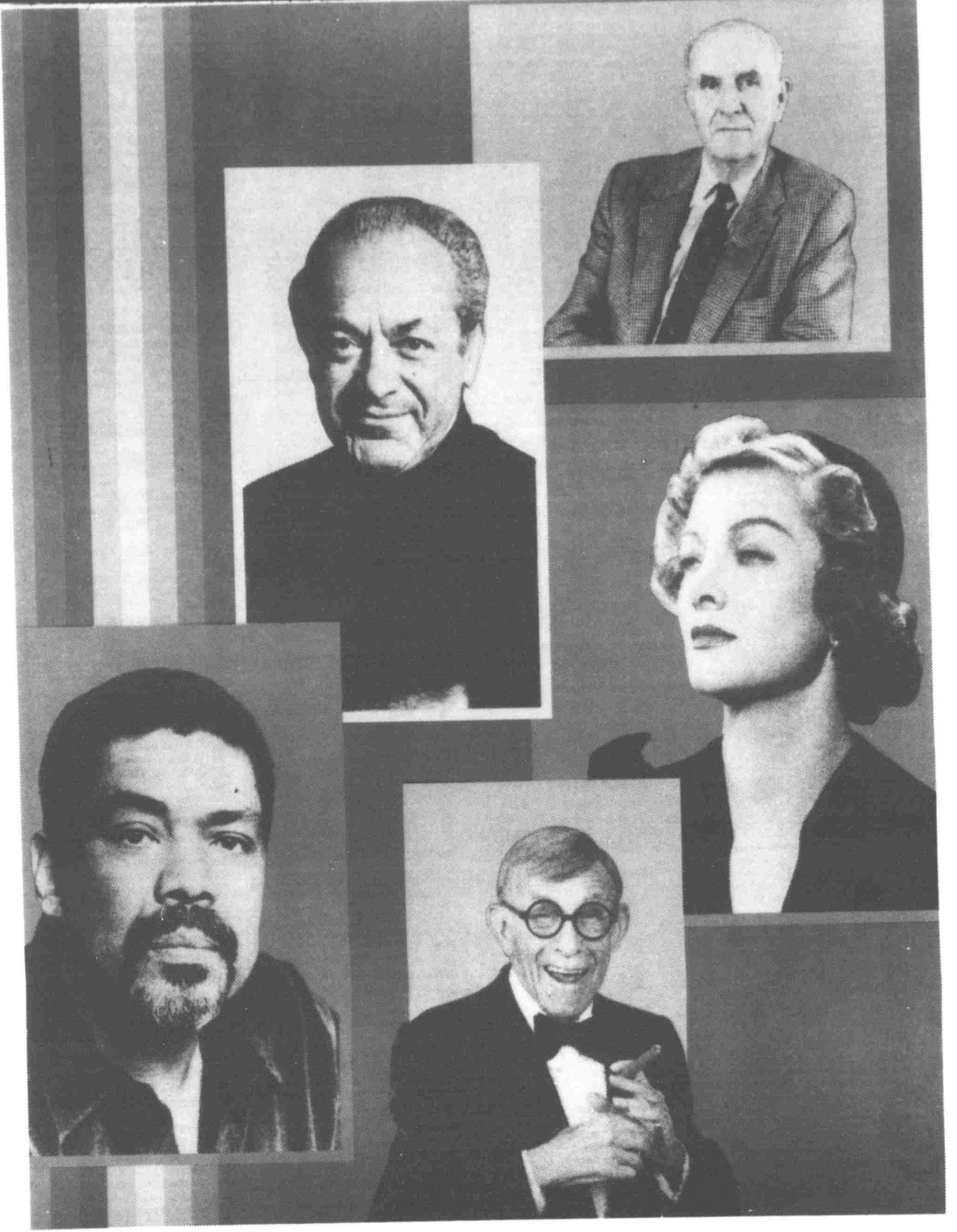
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CONTAINS LISTINGS FOR FRIDAY, DEC. 23 THRU THURSDAY, DEC. 29, 1988

ROGER L. STEVENS, Myrna Loy, George Burns, Alvin Alley and Alexander Schneider (clockwise from top) are saluted for "lifetime achievement in the performing arts" at The Kennedy Center Honors: A Celebration of the Performing Arts, from The Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington D.C., Friday, Dec. 30 on CBS.

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9:00 SportsCenter...
10:00 MOVIE: The Sea Wolves...

11:30 Basic Training Workout...
11:45 MOVIE: Dr. Strangelove...
12:00 MOVIE: Cowboy Serenade...
12:30 MOVIE: David Copperfield...
1:00 MOVIE: Apprentice...
1:05 MOVIE: Gabrielle Bonanza...
1:30 MOVIE: The Three Stooges...

AFTERNOON

12:00 MOVIE: Cowboy Serenade...
12:30 MOVIE: David Copperfield...
1:00 MOVIE: Apprentice...
1:05 MOVIE: Gabrielle Bonanza...
1:30 MOVIE: The Three Stooges...

EVENING

6:00 SportsCenter...
6:15 Jackson Action...
6:30 You Can Be a Star...
7:00 Remote Control...
7:05 Crook and Chase...
7:15 Current Affairs...
7:20 National Geographic...
7:30 Night Court...
7:35 Wheel of Fortune...
8:00 SportsCenter...
8:15 Jackson Action...
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9:00 SportsCenter...
9:15 Jackson Action...
9:30 You Can Be a Star...
10:00 SportsCenter...
10:15 Jackson Action...
10:30 You Can Be a Star...

MOVIE: Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory...
MOVIE: Merry Christmas Gunsmoke...
MOVIE: Over the Top Lincoln...
MOVIE: The Flying Missiles...
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- 12:00 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Grand Ole Opry Live Backstage
- 12:05 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Saturday Night Live
- 12:10 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Friday the 13th
- 12:15 **[HBO] MOVIE:** That's Entertainment: Anthology of scenes compiled from the classic MGM musicals and dramas extending from The Broadway Melody to Gig, Fred Astaire, Bing Crosby, 1974
- 12:20 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Christmas Eve Religious Special (CC)
- 12:25 **[HBO] MOVIE:** New Animal World
- 12:30 **[HBO] MOVIE:** A Christmas Carol Dickens' famous classic of a miserly old man who learns the true meaning of Christmas from some ghostly midnight visitors. Reginald Owen, Gene Lockhart. 1938 (Stereo)
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- 1:30 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Life's Most Embarrassing Moments
- 1:35 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Sign Off
- 1:40 **[MAX] MOVIE:** Appointment with Fear
- 1:45 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Hans Brinker or The Silver Skates
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SUNDAY

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December 25

- MORNING**
- 5:00 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Fences Riders Action western. Whip Wilson. 1950.
- 5:20 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Three Stooges
- 5:30 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Alice
- 5:40 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Cinemax Sessions: A Gospel Session (Stereo)
- 5:45 **[HBO] MOVIE:** America Undercover: Transplant (CC)
- 6:00 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Music Videos
- 6:10 **[HBO] MOVIE:** World Tomorrow
- 6:20 **[HBO] MOVIE:** News Update
- 6:30 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Johnny Quest
- 6:40 **[HBO] MOVIE:** The Christmas Tree Train
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- 2:30 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Home Run Derby
- 2:35 **[HBO] MOVIE:** This Week in Japan
- 2:40 **[HBO] MOVIE:** The Scarlet O'Hara
- 2:45 **[HBO] MOVIE:** War Film depicting the infighting and viciousness that surrounded the casting of the film. Gone With the Wind. Tony Curtis, Sharon Gless. 1980.
- 2:50 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Larry King Weekend
- 2:55 **[HBO] MOVIE:** My Favorite Brunette
- 3:00 **[HBO] MOVIE:** A baby photographer gets talked into playing the role of super sleuth by a beautiful and mysterious brunette. Bob Hope, Dorothy Lamour. 1947.
- 3:05 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Big Trouble
- 3:10 **[HBO] MOVIE:** Home Run Derby
- 3:15 **[HBO] MOVIE:** CNN Headline News
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PLEASE NOTE OUR HOLIDAY HOURS:

Dec. 24...Last load 3pm (Close at 4)

Dec. 25...CLOSED

DAYTIME

- MORNING
8-35 Bewitched
5:00 (TH,FR) Green Acres
(MO) The Best of Walt Disney
(TU) Walt Disney Presents
(MO) Winning at Losing
(TU) TBA
(TU,WE,TH,FR) Varied
Programs:
(MO) Sign Off
(TU) Action Outdoors
(TU,WE,TH,FR) Crossfire
(MO) Sports Review
5:05 (TU,WE) Green Acres
5:15 (WE) Movie (CC)
(TU) MAX Movie Show
5:30 (M) Body by Jake
(TU,WE,TH,FR) Gomer Pyle
(MO) Three Stooges
(WE,TH,FR) Scheme of Things
(FR) Love After Marriage?
(MO) New Healthy Diet
(WE,TH) TBA
Getting Fit
(TU,WE,TH,FR) ShowBiz
Today
(MO) Inside Business
5:45 (M) Hooked on Aerobics
6:00 (M) NBC News at Sunrise
(M) Jimmy Swagart
(MO) Les Miserables (CC)
(TU,WE,TH,FR) Movie
Mickey Mouse Club
(WE,TH,FR) TBA
(MO) Keys to Success
Today with Marilyn
(FR) Soap
(MO) At the Movies
(TU,WE,TH) Alice
Bodies in Motion
Daybreak
Curious George/Kids in Motion
(M) CBS Morning News
(MO) ABC World News This Morning (CC)
Business This Morning
6:05 (MO) Movie
6:10 (TH) Survival Series: Last Round up of the Elephants
6:15 (M) Nightly Business Report
6:30 (M) CNN
(M) News
(C) C.O.P.S.
(MO) ABC World News This Morning (CC)
Scooby Doo
Mousercise
(FR) New Healthy Diet
(MO) Update: Making It Happen
(WE,TH) TBA
James Robinson
Fair 20
Nation's Business Today
Business Morning
CNN Headline News
Little Pic Nics
Business This Morning
NBC News at Sunrise
CBS Morning News
6:35 (FR) The Trolls and the Christmas Express
6:45 (M) A.M. Weather
7:00 (M) Music Videos
Scooby Doo
Today
Jetsons
(MO) Good Morning America (CC)
(FR) Tales of Little Women: Gettysburg Address
(MO) Tales of Little Women: Invitation to the Dance
(TU) Tales of Little Women: A Fair Affair
(TH) Tales of Little Women: \$1 Christmas Presents
Tom and Jerry
Morning, Mickey!
Cartoon Express
Superbook
Private Benjamin
Daybreak
Mr. Wizard's World
CBS This Morning
(WE) Tales of Little Women: A Neighbor in Need
7:15 (M) Tax Tips on Tape
7:30 (M) Dennis the Menace
(TU) Dennis the Menace
(WE,TH) Dennis the Menace
Mister Rogers' Neighborhood (CC)
(MO,TH,FR) Creative Living
(TU) Great American Woodlots
(WE) Great American Woodlots
(FR) Adventures of Tom Sawyer: See No Evil
(MO,WE) Adventures of Tom Sawyer: Tom's Guilty Conscience
(TU,TH) Tales of Little Women: It's Downright Upright
(TH) The Original MAX Talking Headroom Show (CC)
Welcome to Pooh Corner
Adventures in Dry Gulch
Jem
Nation's Business Today
Business Day
8:00 (M) Finders Keepers
Smurfs
Sesame Street (CC)
Madeleine Cooks
Donald Duck Presents
She-Ra
Father Knows Best
Bozo
Daybreak
Lassie
8:05 Beverly Hillsbillies
8:15 (TU) Movie
8:30 (M) Flintstones
My Little Pony
Captain Kangaroo (CC)
Dumbo's Circus
Cartoon Express
Hazel
SportsCenter
CNN Headline News
Today's Special

- 9:00 (M) Fandango
(MO) Newswatch Game
Magnum, P.I.
Teddy Ruxpin
Today's Special
Sesame Street (CC)
Live with Regis and Kathie Lee
(MO, TU, TH, FR) Movie
(WE) A Disney Channel Christmas
Our House
Smurfs
(TU, FR) College Basketball
(MO) High School Football
(WE) World Cup Skiing
(TH) 1988 Nice Triathlon
Daywatch
Pinwheel
Sally Jessy Raphael
Happy Days
Donahue
(FR) Home from the Hill
(MO) Disappearing World
(TU) Heads
(WE) Royal Family
(TH) Sami Herders
9:05 Little House on the Prairie
9:30 You Can Be a Star
Dating Game
(FR) GLO Friends Save Christmas
(MO, TU, WE, TH) Popeye
(C) Captain Kangaroo
(TH) Coming Attractions
(FR) (MO) Movie
Gumbly
Leverne and Shirley
(TU) House Without Foundation
(WE) Deal Mosaic
(TH) Game
(MO, TU, WE, FR) Music Of Compassion
(FR) Cousteau's Amazon
(MO) Nature (CC)
(TU) 1988 Michigan Invitational March'g Band Competition
(WE) Smithville Fiddler's Jamboree
(TH) Die Fledermaus
(MO) 2-2-1 Contact (CC)
(WE) All My Children
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Here's to You, Mickey Mouse
Hot Potato
Celebrity Chefs
News
(FR) Great American Events
(MO) 1988 Computerland Corporate Sports Battle
(TU) Professional Golf
(WE) Monster Trucks and Mud Racing Spectacular
(TH) Professional Boxing
(FR) Dr. Snuggles
(TU) Big Save
1:00 (M) Music Videos
Days of Our Lives
(MO, TU, WE, FR) Gunsmoke
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Chain Reaction
Variety Programs
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(MO) Bold and the Beautiful
2:00 You Can Be a Star
(MO) Here's a Boomer
(WE) Music Factory
(TH) Animals in Action
(TU, WE, TH, FR) Archie Bunker's Place
(MO) Archie's Bunker Place
(TH) Motorweek Illustrated
CNN Headline News
I Dream of Jeannie
New Card Sharks
(FR) Safari
(TU) This Land
(WE) Pacific Outdoors
(TH) Day of the Whales
American Magazine
Quincy
Wheel of Fortune
Switched
Wondersports (CC)
(WE, FR) Country Basketballweaving
(MO) Country Basket Weaving
(TU) Currents
(MO) Modern Maturity (CC)
Sweethearts
(MO, WE) Movie
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Charlie's Angels
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Elephant Show
Price is Right
Growing Pains (CC)
(FR) Portraits of Power
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New Country
Win, Lose or Draw
Dick Van Dyke
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Jackpot
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3:00 VideoCountry
Real Ghostbusters
Sesame Street (CC)
(MO, WE, FR) Cousteau Odyssey (CC)
(TU) Firing Line
(TH) American Art Forum
(FR) Christmas at Radio City Music Hall
Let's Make a Deal
Gerardo
Bodies in Motion
Sonya Live in L.A.
(FR) Pinwheel
(MO, TU, TH, FR) Movie
(MO) Baby Dick
(TH) Moon Madness
Family Feud
Ryan's Hope
(FR) ChillySmith Farm
(MO) Birth of Language
(TU) Global Village
(WE) Traveler's Showcase
(TH) Wild Canada
12:05 Perry Mason
12:30 (M) (MO, TU) (M) (TU) Movie
Divorc Court
Leave It to Beaver
(TU) American Interests
(TH) In Recital
(L) Loving
The Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet
Play the Percentages
(MO, FR) American Baby
(TU) Children in Crisis
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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:
Last night I attended Lowell High School's Christmas concert. These kids, after working on their material since September, were faced with the rudest audience I have ever seen! The concert was always done in segments; first the Glee Club, then Concert Choir, then band. Some families have students performing with only one of these groups. So, during the Glee Club performance, I drove of people came in, noisily looking for seats in order to see their "special person" perform with the choir.



Some have thought thunder to be caused by the hooves of celestial horses.

Lowell City Council proceedings

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

For the Regular Meeting of Monday, December 5, 1988.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Mayor Maatman.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the clerk called the Roll. Present: Councilmembers Doyle, Thompson, Collins, Fonger and Mayor Maatman. Absent: None.

IT WAS MOVED by Collins and seconded by Thompson that the minutes of the November 21, 1988 meeting be approved as written. YEA: 5. NAY: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

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

YEA: Councilmembers Doyle, Thompson, Collins, Fonger and Mayor Maatman. NAY: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Table with 2 columns: Fund Name, Amount. Includes General Fund (\$34,361.40), Major Street Fund (120.70), Local Street Fund (120.70), Sewer Fund (1,493.18), Water Fund (651.42), Equipment Fund (1,045.97), Data Processing Fund (4,426.47), Improvement Fund (3,360.43).

Item No. 1: ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE (DEC. 19). A. Action Auto (2001 W. Main) Sign variance. Action Auto applied for a variance to allow three (3) wall signs on their recently completed building instead of the one (1) permitted by the Zoning Ordinance. It was noted that the overall square footage and number of signs would be in compliance.

IT WAS MOVED by Maatman and seconded by Fonger to set the public hearing for this variance on Monday, December 19, 1988. NAY: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Item No. 2. VACATION OF A PORTION OF WATER STREET - PUBLIC HEARING. King Milling has petitioned the City to vacate Water Street from 100 feet south of Main Street extending approximately 325 feet. Jim Doyle (Vice President of King Milling) stated that originally the firm had approached the City to repair the street. But the City felt that since King Milling uses the roadway almost exclusively, it was questionable to use City funds. Therefore, King Milling petitioned to vacate the street and would then repair it and pay the taxes on the roadway.

IT WAS MOVED by Thompson and seconded by Doyle to accept the resolution and letter of understanding for Hudson Street and Fun Street as proposed. YEA: 3. (Thompson, Doyle and Maatman) NAY: 1. (Fonger) ABSTAIN: 1 (Collins) ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

City Manager Pasquale said that the possibility of an east-west public route to the ballfield has been discussed. Don Fizer proposed that he would move his fence down by the swimming pool 15 to 20 feet to the north so that there could be access to the park. He felt it would also be safer for the public going to and from the park. The consensus of the Council was for City Manager Pasquale to explore the prospect of Water Street repair cost and the possibility of sharing this cost with King Milling. They also felt that a priority of street repairs should be provided.

Item No. 3: PRESENTATION OF THE FIRE STATION SITE ANALYSIS STUDY. Dan Durkee and Chuck Jylha of Robert Lee Wold & Associates, Inc., presented their findings of the Fire Station site analysis study evaluating the Bowes Road, Sibley Street, and South Hudson Street sites. They recommended the South Hudson Street location because of the accessibility to the intersection of M-21 and Hudson Street, which is considered the "hub" of the fire district. This site provides fire and rescue vehicles the most even distribution of accessibility to the entire district. The report suggested that accessibility could even be enhanced by gaining control of the traffic signal at the intersection of M-21 and Hudson to ease the flow of emergency vehicles and reduce the danger of accidents. The study also addressed the concerns of the trains blocking progress of emergency-bound vehicles. This poses a problem in at least one direction for all three sites considered. But at the South Hudson site, fire personnel would be aware of a potential obstruction even before their vehicles leave the facility and they could make an early decision to take an alternative route. Mr. Durkee stated that a simple and economical solution to this concern would be to maintain one vehicle in either the existing rescue barn or at City Hall to provide assistance to emergencies to the eastern district. Also because of being next to the City's garage it improves the costs and convenience and economy of shared City services (refueling, maintenance, etc.)

IT WAS MOVED by Doyle and seconded by Collins to accept the recommendation of the Airport Board to amend the Airport Access Agreement with James Sowle. YEA: 4. (Collins, Doyle, Fonger and Maatman) NAY: 1. (Thompson) ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Item No. 6. CITIZEN SUGGESTIONS. Brenda Schaefer of the Ye Olde Curiosity Shoppe stated that she has contacted many businesses on Main Street with regard to contracting WOTV to produce and air a "visit and shop in Lowell" promotion. Each business will pay \$60 or less, depending on how many other businesses are willing to get involved. Ms. Schaefer requested the Council guarantee payment with WOTV since an organization rather than an individual must do this. The Council stated that it is a very good idea. There would be 25 thirty second spots starting December 13 for a cost of \$2,650.00. Councilmember Collins requested that the City get an extra tape so that it could be put on Lowell's Cable Access Station.

IT WAS MOVED by Thompson and seconded by Collins that the City sign and guarantee a \$2,560.00 contract with WOTV to produce and air a "visit and shop in Lowell" promotion. YEA: 5. NAY: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Item No. 7. COUNCIL COMMENTS. Councilmember Thompson stated that he was impressed how Main Street looks this Christmas season. Other Councilmembers agreed. Councilmember Fonger stated that there are still many cars parked outside of the Auto Body Shop located near the intersection of Lincoln Lake and Main. City Manager Pasquale stated he would follow up.

Item No. 8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT. City Manager Pasquale reported the following: 1. The City of Marshall has accepted our invitation for Mayor Exchange in May 1989. 2. Mike Jones from MDOT mentioned that the data collection has been completed for the M-21 speed study. He is expecting the entire study sometime in January. 3. At its regular scheduled meeting of November 28, the Planning Commission approved a site plan amendment to Michigan Wire Main Street plant. An acid storage tank area is added. 4. A letter from the Metropolitan Water and Sewer Study Committee on their progress was enclosed in the Council agenda packet.

IT WAS MOVED by Thompson and seconded by Doyle to accept the resolution and letter of understanding for Hudson Street and Fun Street as proposed. YEA: 3. (Thompson, Doyle and Maatman) NAY: 1. (Fonger) ABSTAIN: 1 (Collins) ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Item No. 9. APPOINTMENTS. Mayor Maatman appointed Dr. Donald Gerard for the remainder of Bill Thompson's unexpired term on the Airport Board. IT WAS MOVED by Collins to adjourn at 9:10 p.m. Approved: December 19, 1988 James D. Maatman, Mayor David M. Pasquale, City Clerk

The highest honor for a novelist is the Nobel Prize for literature. This award for the most distinguished literary work was first presented in 1901. The first American novelist to receive the award was Sinclair Lewis in 1930.

Crossword Puzzle

Grid for a crossword puzzle with clues: 1. Trapper, M.D. 2. Brennan's monogram. 3. Airport vehicle. 4. Gilligan's Island's Skipper. 5. Framinger, int. 6. Lawrence of Arabia actor. 7. Actress Penna, int. 8. Superior Court. 9. Finders Keepers. 10. Family Ties. 11. Comedy Experiment. 12. Late for Dinner (CC). 13. Donald Duck Presents. 14. \$25,000 Pyramid. 15. (MO, TU, WE, TH) Father Knows Best. 16. (FR) G.I. Joe. 17. (MO, TU, WE, TH) C.O.P.S. 18. CNN Headline News. 19. Nick Rocks: Video to Go. 20. Dating Game. 21. (FR) Family Feud. 22. (TU, WE, TH) Family Feud. 23. Brady Bunch. 24. Wonderful World of Disney. 25. People's Court. 26. A-Team. 27. Mister Rogers' Neighborhood (CC). 28. Square One TV (CC). 29. Cosby. 30. (FR) Family Feud. 31. (TU, WE, TH) Family Feud. 32. Brady Bunch. 33. Wonderful World of Disney. 34. People's Court. 35. A-Team. 36. Mister Rogers' Neighborhood (CC). 37. Square One TV (CC). 38. Cosby. 39. (FR) Family Feud. 40. (TU, WE, TH) Family Feud.

Crossword Quiz Solution grid with filled-in letters. Includes clues: 1. You, in cockney. 2. Per, for short. 3. A.J. Simon's brother. 4. Gilligan's Island's Skipper. 5. God! 6. Soldier, for short. 7. Bond's nemesis. 8. Newsmen Newman, int. 9. Good quality. 10. Tax's Louie, int. 11. to Five. 12. Compass direction. 13. of Two Cities. 14. Actress Gardner. 15. Boo-Boo's friend. 16. Fresh. 17. Fashionable. 18. But's bride. 19. Mayberry. 20. Christmas. 21. Alien Life Force, for short. 22. Actor Caesar. 23. Actress Walsh, int. 24. Golf average. 25. the Road. 26. Matt Dillon. 27. Negative, prefix. 28. Singer Diamond. 29. Actor Nelson, int. 30. Approval, slang. 31. Tonight Show host. 32. Admissions. 33. Negative. 34. Columnist Barrett. 35. Miner's Daughter. 36. Laff's monogram. 37. Host Griffin. 38. Leading talk show hostess.

Arrow debate team finishes 2nd

Last week, the LHS Varsity Debate Team brought home the second place trophy in the O-K Gold League. Arguing for the resolution that "The United States should establish a comprehensive program to guarantee retirement security for all citizens over the age of 65" was the affirmative team of Heather Nauta and Pat Nugent. The negative team consisted of Katie Wills and Rachel Cattanaach.

Pat Nugent received the third highest point average in the entire league and was given a speaker award as well as an O-K All-Conference medal.

The junior varsity also had a stab at a winning trophy, but came home empty handed. They ended up in a four way tie for second place that resulted in a tie breaker. Greenville and Forest Hills Northern nudged out the Arrows for a victory. The top J.V. speakers were negatives Kristina Jefferson and Jay VanAntwerp and affirmatives Jason Jones and Bernadette Fox.



Members of the Varsity Debate Team are from left to right, backrow: Coach Jane Gillespie, Pat Nugent, Heather Nauta; front row left to right: Rachel Cattanaach, Katie Wills.



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Lowell Showboat Carolers

"Here We Go a Caroling." The Showboat Choir and company did just that on Dec. 15. Here the group of carolers is standing in front of Cousin's.

Year in Review, cont.

The fund-raiser was to help raise monies to pay for the \$8,000 playground equipment purchased from Jennings out of Kalamazoo.

Reverend Bill Amundsen, Pas-

tor of the First United Methodist Church returned from his four-month World Methodist Council Ministerial exchange in Helsingborg, Sweden.

Amundsen exchanged with

Reverend Hakan Englund who spent four-months here in Lowell.

Lowell Showboat President Ray Quada presented Bob Rice, LHS Band Director and the Red

Arrow band with a check for \$1,000.

Lowell's football team wins its seasonal opener against Ionia, 22-0.

September 14, 1988

Lowell's Chamber of Commerce honored, Ivan Blough, Lowell resident of 40 years, with the 1988 "Person of the Year" award.

Being named the third annual Lowell Chamber of Commerce "Person of the Year," is not a title Blough was real comfortable with. "It's a real nice honor and I appreciate the fact I've been in Lowell 40 years and have raised my children here," Blough said.

A report based on selected University of Michigan Accreditation Standards for 1987-88 reflects the availability and competitiveness of course offerings; educational opportunities for LHS students showed that Lowell's standards compared to other schools of its size and exceeded the norm.

Lowell's soccer team posted the school's first-ever victory against a Forest Hills School on the infamous "Hill."

Alto student Melody Brubaker won the elementary a computer through a summer reading prog-

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September 21, 1988

Pam Kruse a 400 and 800-meter freestyle swimmer in the 1968 Olympics shared her memories of the event with Bushnell Elementary students Sept. 16. Kruse won a silver medal in the 800 freestyle.

Flora Jean Beachum was one of 4,655 people to purchase a ticket from a Grand Valley Corvette Association member. However Beachum's name was the only one drawn when the lucky Corvette winner was announced.

Tony the Tiger visited the house of Dawn Jones Sept. 16. Jones won a Huffly bike for having Frosted Flakes in her cupboard when Tony the Tiger paid the unexpected visit.

September 28, 1988

Lowell's school district was denied its request for a 2.9 mill increase in 1988-89 and an additional .3 mills in 1989-90 and 1990-91. The millage rejection meant the board's immediate goal would be to make \$300,000 worth of cuts. The long-term goal was to activate the supportive voters for the projected early spring election.

Thousands of people traveled around and through detours to get to Fallasburg Park and enjoy the sights, sounds, and tastes of the 20th Annual Fallasburg Fall Festival, sponsored by the Lowell Area Arts Council.

University of Michigan students Corey Dolgon and Tim Hawkins stopped at Alto Elementary school to talk to the children about toxic waste and its perpetrators. What the students learned was that there are 1,778 official toxic waste sites in the state of Michigan. That's the third worst in the country behind California and New Jersey.

The Lowell Ledger receives another letter from the infamous Terry Smith about its coverage, or shall we say lack of coverage, in the area of seventh and eighth-grade and freshman athletics.

October 5, 1988

The community Republicans got their wish as George Bush visited Grand Rapids and

Ledger's reporter was there for the enthusiastic rally. In a presidential campaign that had an excess of verbal battering, Bush said he would spend the final 40 days of the campaign presenting fairly the differences between him and Democratic nominee Michael Dukakis.

Lowell's new \$96,000 fire-truck was delivered. The truck is able to spray 1,000 gallons of water per minute. The new truck replaced the old one purchased back in 1985.

Lowell's football team suffered a bitter 6-3 defeat at the hands of East Grand Rapids. The homecoming game was decided in the final minute of play as the Pioneers scored on a pass in the flats from Sam Middleton to Dave Hackerb.

October 12, 1988

Lowell's Board of Education approves \$298,000 worth of reductions in addition to the \$162,000 already cut from its budget. Superintendent Fritz Esch

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The LHS choir and band hold concert

Lowell's Choir entertained a large gathering with 25 minutes of mainly Christmas melodies.



Lowell's City Council stirs the wrath of some city residents when it decides to cut down 25 walnut trees at Oakwood Cemetery.

Birth Announcement

Dr. William and Carol Marculis of Garden City, Michigan, announce the birth of a son, Mathew William. Mathew was born December 12, 1988 and weighed 7 lbs. 1 oz. Grandparents are Dr. William and Nancy Marculis of Grand Rapids and Gil and Sandie VanWeelden of Lowell. Great-grandparents are Butch and Ruth Thompson of Lowell.

Jared and Joshua welcome their new cousin, John Michael Felling, born December 12, 1988 at 2:37 p.m. He was 19 inches long and weighed 7 lbs. 1 oz.

New parents are John and Darla Felling of Lowell. Proud grandparents Edwin and Annie Felling of Lowell and Dixon and Sherane Cloward of Payson, Utah.

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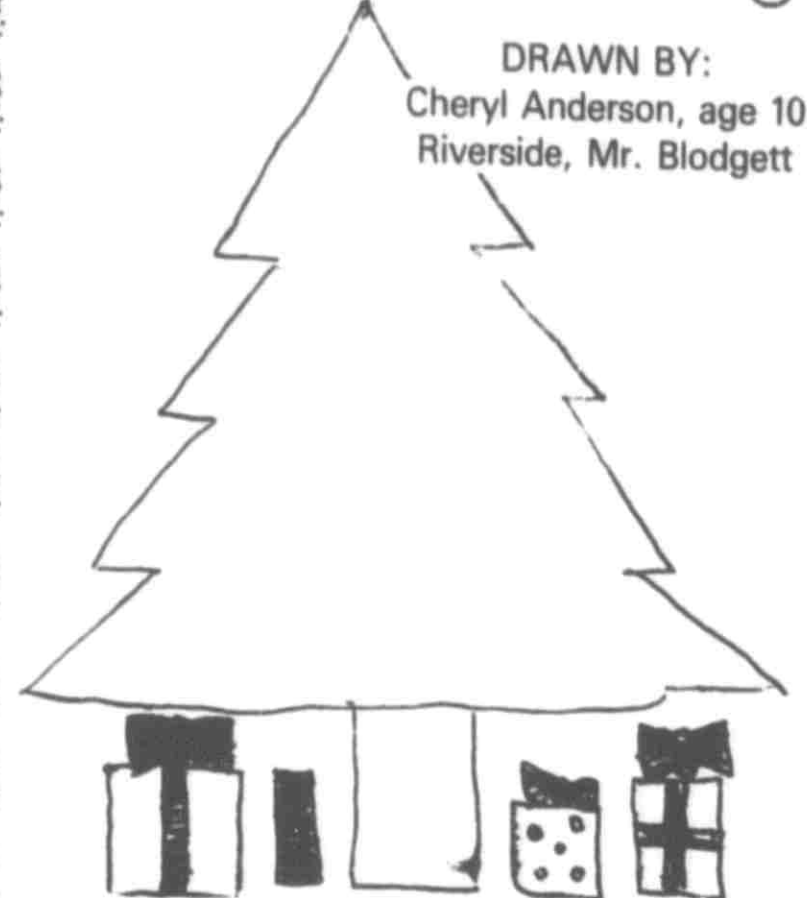
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said given the same set of circumstances a year from now, and the board will need to trim an additional \$750,000 from next year's budget.

Charlene McNab was named the new account clerk at Lowell City Hall.

Lowell's Red Arrow Cross country team set seven personal bests in defeating conference foe Northview.

The summer heat was gone but as reported in a Ledger story the effects it had on the apples may linger into 1989. Roger Kropf, Kropf Orchards, said the state apple production in 1988 would drop by 28 percent compared to prior years.

October 19, 1988
Tonia woman Letha McParland was killed after she sustained fatal head injuries when her car appeared to drift left of the center line and struck another vehicle.

Lowell's City Council gets a backlash of disappointment and anger after it had 25 Black Walnut trees severed at Oakwood Cemetery. The city stated the trees were messy, deteriorating, old and diseased as reasons for its decision.

A Runciman/Riverside fundraiser nets \$16,000. The money will be used to directly benefit the youngsters by providing goods and services which the

school could not normally afford.

The Lowell community lost a coach and friend when Carrol R. (Chris) Burch passed away at the age of 85. Burch came to the Lowell Schools in 1937. He coached Lowell football from 1937 until 1953, compiling a 72-57-7 mark, the winningest in Lowell history.

Lowell area friends, the business community and organizations were saddened to learn of the death of the Honorable George R. Cook, 67, a Kent County Circuit Court Judge, at his home in East Grand Rapids.

Cook was born in Ohio but moved to Lowell in 1925 with his parents and attended Lowell

Schools.
October 26, 1988

Dave Gerst was appointed to the FMB State Savings Bank Board of Directors.

Lowell's football team dedicated its contest with the conference-leading and undefeated Zeeland Chics to the memory of Coach Chris Burch. The Red Arrows pulled off the upset defeating Zeeland 18-13.

Lowell girl harriers finished second at the O-K White Conference meet.

The Equestrian team clinched the District V Championship.

November 2, 1988
There were 136 Lowell employees who joined in the Halloween fun and participated in the Lowell Ledger's 1988 Halloween Costume Contest. Top honorees went to Sharon Velzen, Root Lowell, for her Pippi Longstocking outfit.

Norm Byrne received design award honors at the 1988 Product Design Awards. He received a silver award for his design of the retractable power center in the category of innovative product solutions.

State Representative Vic Krause visited and spoke to a LHS social studies class. The seminar covered such topics as AIDS testing, capital punishment, transportation and others.

November 9, 1988
Gordon Gould appointed to the Showboat President position, following the resignation of board president Ray Quada, who stepped down because of positive changes in his employment.

At a special meeting, the Lowell Board of Education approved a pay-to-ride provision which paved the way for reinstatement of winter and spring interscholastic sports schedules for Middle School students. The \$20,000 cuts in the district's athletic budget were part of the \$298,000 of cuts made in this year's school budget as a result of the recent millage failure.

November 16, 1988
Lowell's School Board was advised by Dr. Stan Heckar and Dr. Fred Ignatovich in their projected enrollment report that it would need additional classroom space to help accommodate the

Gymnastics offered to area youth

Starting in January, Lowell Community Education and the YMCA will be offering a gymnastics program together. The gymnastics classes will include the 4 olympic events: Floor exercise, balance beam, vault and uneven bars. The schedule and fees are as follows:

Tuesdays, 3 year old beginners, 4-4:45 p.m.; \$25 Y-member \$30 non-member; 4-6 year old beginners, 4:45 - 5:45

p.m.; \$30 Y-member \$35 non-member; 3 year old advanced 5:45 - 6:30 p.m.; \$25 Y-member \$30 non-member; 4-6 year old advanced 6:30-7:30 p.m.; \$30 Y-member \$35 non-member.

Thursdays, 7 years and older Beginners, 4-5 p.m.; Intermediate, 5-6 p.m.; Advanced 6-7 p.m. \$30 Y-member \$35 non-member.

Both organizations are excited about the joint program offering.

Linda Zaczek, Director of Community Education says, "by working with the YMCA we will have more resources available and we also meet one of our corporate goals that were established."

Doug Ybema, Director of the YMCA says, "Both organizations serve the community and it is important that Community Ed and the YMCA work together."

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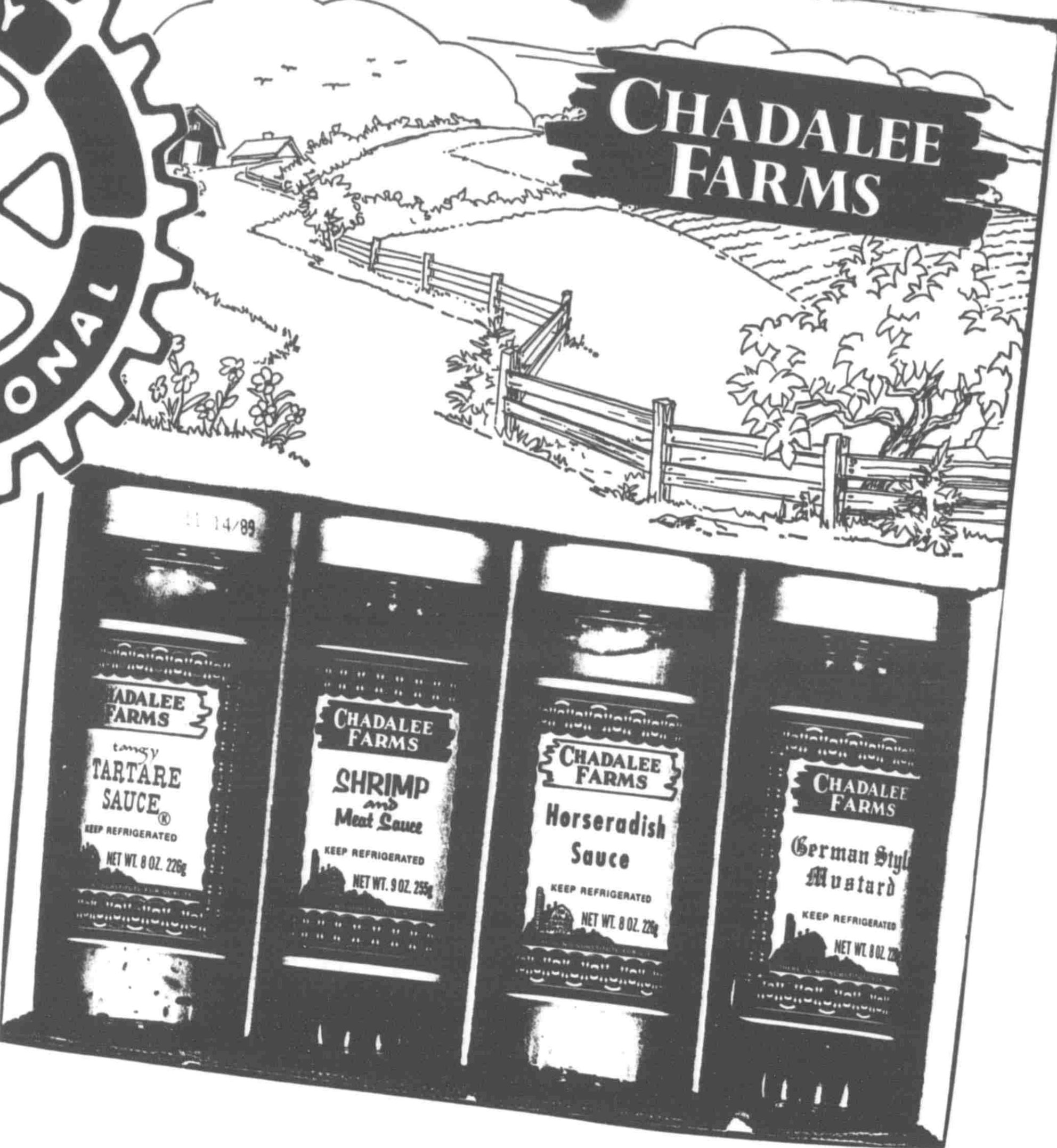
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Red Arrow wrestlers improve to 4-1

Lowell wrestling Coach Gary Rivers in his 30th year was given an early Christmas gift by his 1988-89 Red Arrow grapplers. The team enters the holiday part of the season at 3-0 in the league and alone at the top of the conference.

Rivers and his club entered the season with some major questions unanswered, but a tough early league schedule seems to have helped the Arrows skirt around finding the answers - or maybe the questions have been answered and the crafty veteran Lowell coach is playing a game of deception.

The Red Arrows opened the season with a win over Sparta, one of the top four teams in the

O-K White. In a quad meet against Ionia, Union and Belding, Lowell lost to a talented Redskin team 34-32, but ran roughshod over Union 57-12. River's squad then entered a meet against Northview, another top team in the conference, and Rogers with a record of 2-1 overall.

It came out of that match with a 3-0 league record and atop the O-K White. Lowell defeated Northview 30-27 and easily got past Rogers 54-12.

"The team is further ahead than I anticipated," Rivers said. "I think the tough early schedule has helped motivate them."

The Red Arrows closed out the week with an Olivet College Invitational championship. Lowell edged past Charlotte 131-121. The tourney came down to Aaron Wester against his Charlotte foe. The Arrow clinched the tourney title with a pin. "It was nip and tuck throughout between Charlotte and us. Wester's pin won it for us," Rivers said. "I'm very happy with the way the kids wrestled."

Lowell took three firsts, a second and three thirds. Earning top honors were Todd Nauta at 140 pounds; Bart Olin at 152 pounds; and Aaron Wester at 189 pounds. Taking second in the invitational was Lowell's Scott Nagy in the 112-pound class. Third-place finishes went to Trevor Tyler, 119 pounds; Aaron Adams,

125 pounds; and Nate Nauta, 130 pounds.

Lowell posted six and five pins respectively in its matches against the Wildcats and the Golden Hawks.

The Red Arrows won their first nine matches against Northview, five of them by pin. In fact, the results of five of the first six matches were Red Arrow pins.

"We wrestled well against Northview and did what we had to do to win," Rivers explained. "The kids are really coming through."

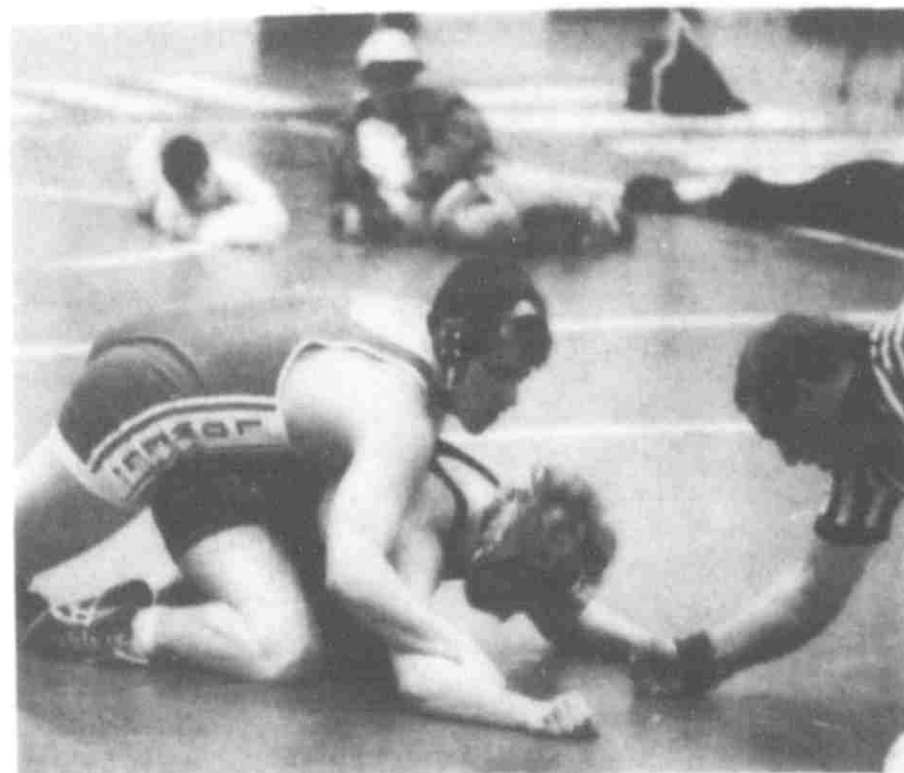
The pins were posted by Dave Rottier, 103, first period; Nagy, 112, second period; Adams, 125, second period; Nate Nauta, 130, second period; and Aaron White, 135, second period.

Four decisions were handed in. Tyler won 16-9; Todd Nauta won 8-3; Jeff Hoffman won 10-5; and Olin won 9-3.

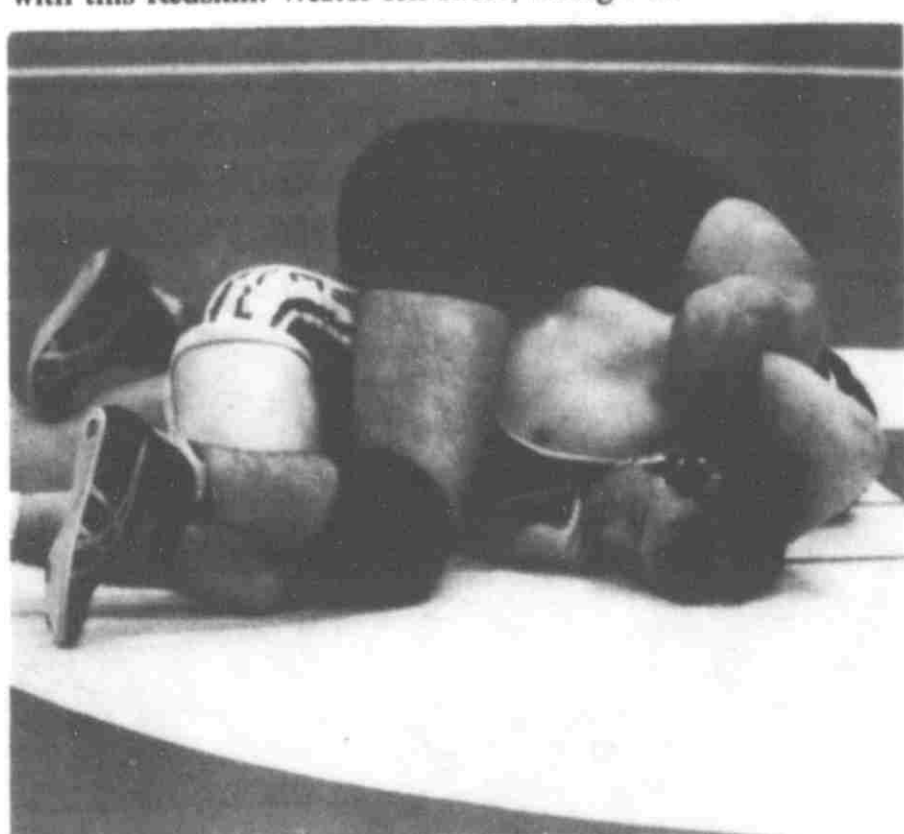
Against Rogers, Lowell won 10 of the 13 matches. Pins were posted by Nagy, first period; Adams, first period; White, first period; Todd Nauta, second period; and Tony Stepek, third period.

Winning decisions were recorded by Hoffman at 5-4 and Jeff Depew at 6-3. Kirkbride and Olin won by forfeit, while West-

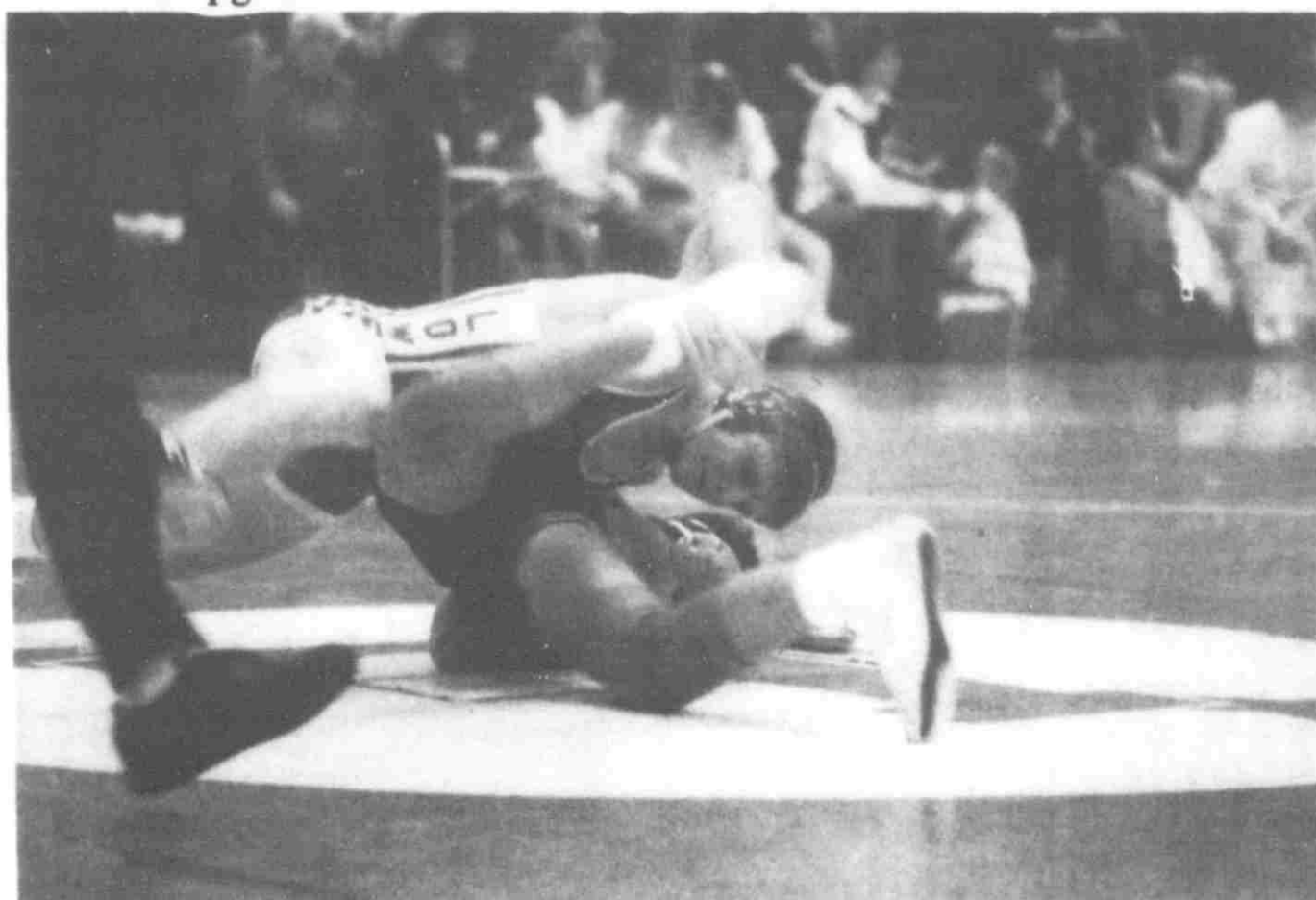
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Aaron Wester looks to take control in a closely contested battle with this Redskin. Wester fell short, losing 9-8.



Red Arrow grappler Tony Stepek found points hard to come by in his 18-2 loss to the Redskin wrestler.



Bart Olin had the upper hand in his match as he pinned his counterpart at 3:19 of the second period. Lowell, however lost the match 34-32.



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Csonka enjoys pro football from both perspectives

Larry Csonka, that big bruising fullback for those great Miami Dolphin teams back in the early 70's, has been out of football since 1979, but part-time analysis for NBC has allowed him to get close to football again.

"You put your finger on it. I really enjoy being back around the game and being able to recognize players without their numbers on," Csonka said.

Csonka, breaking through the line and into the secondary, was a defensive back's nightmare. More often than not the Stow, Ohio native ran over or just plain carried backs with him on his way to 8,081 career yards in 13 seasons. When Csonka's hands got control of that pigskin he rarely fumbled. During his

career, he fumbled just 20 times. The Super Bowl VIII most valuable player played his college ball at Syracuse University prior to joining the Dolphins. Today he splits his time between a farm just outside Youngstown, Ohio and a house in Jacksonville Florida.

As a man who's tested the strain and stress of the NFL as a

player and of the front office in the USFL, does Csonka have any aspirations to coach? "None whatsoever. Coaches have more stress than players," Csonka said. "Front office work is a different type of stress. It promotes big bellies and bald heads - who needs that?"

The three most successful coaches over the last 20 years have been Tom Landry, Don Shula and Chuck Noll. However, they too, haven't been able to escape the wrath of criticism that comes with losing.

"If coaches lose, they get criticized. But the people saying those coaches have lost it are uneducated about sports. They don't understand the draft system," Csonka said. "Because they've done so well in the past they are now suffering. The technical advances which once separated them from other coaches no longer exist. Teams have caught up to them and are now using those same technical advances."

The Dolphin great added that the coaching trio proved their greatness by winning for so long, now because of that and the way



Larry Csonka reminisces about his playing days with the great Dolphin teams of the early 70's.

H.S. wrestling, cont.

ter won by injury default. Belding 34, Lowell 32 Lowell 57, Union 12

Coach Rivers referred to the Belding match as one that would help prepare his club for conference competition.

The Redskins with a history of strong wrestling teams didn't disappoint the Red Arrows or the large crowd in attendance.

The match was close the entire way as the two teams went back and forth.

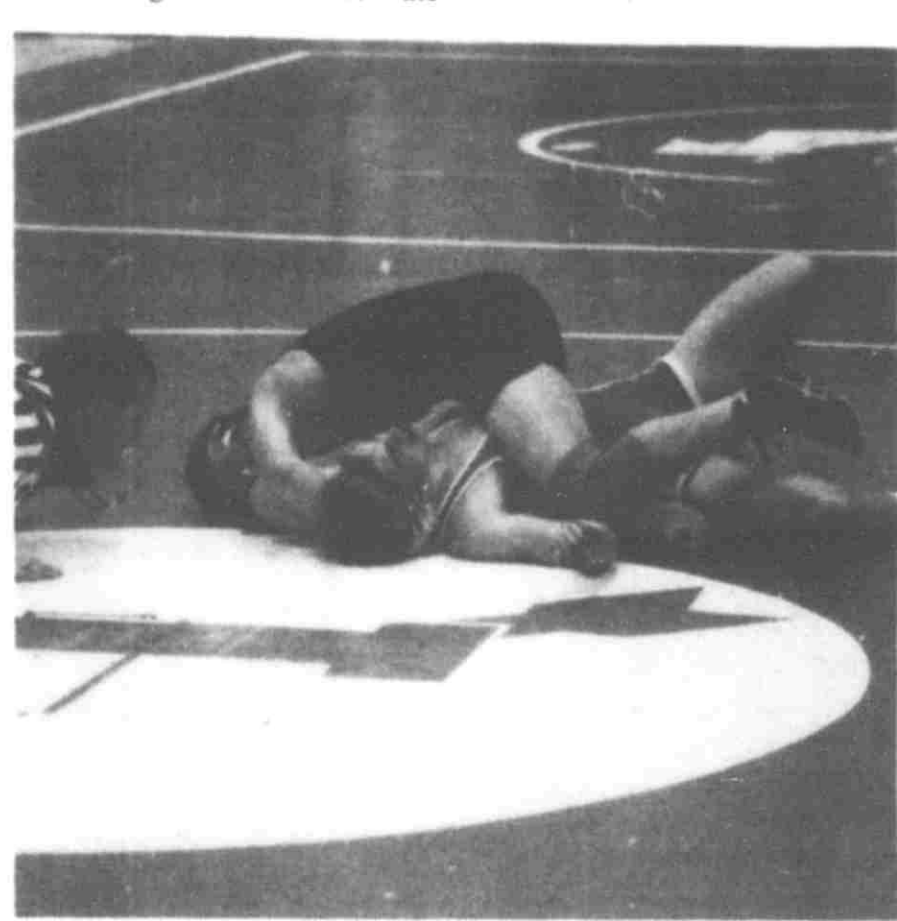
Lowell got off to a quick start winning three of the first four matches. All three victories were by way of pins. Nagy recorded his at 1:32 of the first period, Tyler followed with one at 1:52 of the first period and Adams made quick work of his Redskin foe, pinning him in 13 seconds of the first period.

Belding came back to win the next two matches before Todd Nauta stop the string with a 10-3 decision.

Following Hoffman's 12-4 loss, Olin and Depew fought back with second period pins. Belding, however, came back with two crucial decisions over Stepek (18-2) and Wester (9-8). Kirkbride won the

heavyweight tilt by forfeit. Lowell had no problem with Union, winning 10 of 12 matches with seven tallies in the pin column.

Helping with that total were Rottier, Nagy, Tyler, Adams, Hoffman, Depew and Wester. Winning decisions were Nate



Lowell wrestler Joe Depew had his back to the mat in a match against his Belding counterpart.

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Arrows fall short against Vikings

Lowell didn't go to the basket very aggressively in the first half against Wyoming Park, and when it did, Viking center Greg McVicker either altered its shot or blocked it.

"We were hesitant going to the hoop. We let him intimidate us in the first half," Lowell Coach Mark Thomas said following the Red Arrows 80-73 loss to Wyoming Park.

Unlike the final eight minutes of the contest, the start of the game was not a very auspicious

beginning for Lowell. Lowell unable to get untracked, stared a 14-4 first quarter deficit in the face roughly five minutes into the contest.

"Park played with reckless abandon and we were unable to get anything going," Thomas said. "I'm disappointed we didn't start better, but I think inexperience lends itself to slow starts."

Lowell trailed 23-14 at the end of one quarter and 41-17 at halftime. The third quarter saw Wyoming Park get fine inside

play from McVicker, 20 points, seven rebounds, and good outside shooting from Chad Kerr, 16 points; Jeff Miheve and Jessie Sallie Jr. each contributed with 11 points.

The third quarter ended with Park holding its biggest lead to that point at 66-45.

Despite playing at a height disadvantage, Lowell played with the Vikings on the boards, being outrebounded 43-40. The Red Arrows grabbed 11 of those cars in the final eight minutes, leading a Lowell charge that cut Park's lead from as many as 24 to as little as 12 with 2:36 to play in the game.

Viking Coach Kelly McEwen who had put his starting five beside him with a little less than four minutes to play had to reinsert his starters at the 2:36 marker to halt a Lowell rally. "I didn't want the lead to get into single digits," McEwen said. "Lowell plays hard. I was impressed with the way they kept

coming after us."

Lowell cut the lead to 10 at 76-66 with a minute-and-a-half to play, but the 80-73 final was as close as the Red Arrows could get. "I was proud of the way the kids hung in there," Thomas said. "What hurt us is that we were not aggressive going to the hoop until late in the game and we did not make our foul shots in the first half."

Lowell outscored Wyoming Park 28-14 in the final quarter. Coming off the bench to spark that rally was Wyoming transfer Joel Manion. He had six points and three rebounds.

Another key performance coming off the bench was handed in by Tom Moore. He scored seven points and grabbed three rebounds.

The Red Arrows were led in scoring by Bob Adams with 20 points. He also collected five rebounds. Jason Douma added

Larry Csonka, cont.

the draft is set up they have to win with less.

Csonka, a member of the "less filling - taste great" Miller Lite commercials, enjoys that time spent. "It's fun, but the only drawback is working with Bob Uecker. The man never sleeps. He's some sort of vampire," Csonka chuckles.

Drug use in the NFL is a topic Csonka doesn't find very funny. "I don't think it's as extensive and rampant as we think, but any use is too extensive," he said. "The first time I came in contact

with bigger players because of the use of steroids was in 1984-85. I never heard of the word steroid until a couple of years after I was out of the NFL."

The member of the 17-0 1972-73 Dolphin team added that unfortunately young kids are being leveraged into taking steroids. "It's been made inviting to be a little bigger, a little faster even if it means synthetically," Csonka said.

He adds steroids are wiping out the player that works hard to become bigger and quicker, the

player who does it with less, through natural abilities and hard work.

"The player that's not big or fast but works to make a difference is what sports is all about," Csonka said. "With steroids, suddenly it's not the guy that works the hardest - creating sports as a hollow shadow."

He continues, "The minute sports is perceived as fake and not real, fans will quit buying tickets."

Csonka said as much as he would like to side with the

former Dolphin believes that public opinion will substantiate drug testing. "Taking drugs is morally wrong. Ask any player in the NFL who's using steroids if they want their son or daughter taking steroids, if they say yes - they're lying."

The avid trout fisherman and bird hunter, Csonka believes money is the leverage that is pushing players toward steroids and other drugs. Take the drugs away and then when they reach 35 they'll realize a basket of money isn't worth "bleep" if you're alone at Christmas.

FAMILY FARE

"Athlete of the Week"



Bob Adams

Lowell basketball coach Mark Thomas says he wears his emotions on his sleeve. Thomas would also tell you Bob Adams leaves everything out on the court.

The 16-year-old junior, the oldest of the three Adams' children, is a three star athlete. In the fall he was one of Coach Christensen's top running backs; in the early stages of the basketball season he has led Lowell in scoring with a 15.6 average; and come spring Coach Boeve will welcome him as a track team member in the long jump and relay events.

"Both Coach Christensen and Coach Thomas stress believing in yourself, your teammates, playing hard and good things will happen."

Adams said. "Now, Coach Boeve is more loose. I think that's a good characteristic for a track coach."

Adams, a very emotional player, believes if he channels his emotions right, they can be a positive for the team, but if the emotions distract from his game, well, then it acts as a negative. "If channeled the right way it can help lift the team emotionally."

The junior admits though that the up and down roller coaster of emotions in basketball are difficult on him and that he's still learning to play at an even pace.

"With each game the team is believing in one another more, and believes we can play with the teams in our conference," he said.

Adams, who likes football and basketball equally well, has scored his share of points in both sports. Add to that the fact he's also scoring points in the classroom. Adams carries a 3.0 grade-point average. "Right now my interests after high school are in communications and business management," Adams said.

Merry Christmas



Thad Kraus Ledger Sports Editor, Bob Perry LHS Athletic Director, Phil Christensen Lowell Football Coach

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Last week's records	5-5	4-6	3-7
Overall Record	105-51-1/.672	94-62-1/.602	99-67-1/.634

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Year in Review, cont.

expected increased enrollment Lowell will have over the next couple of years at the elementary and middle school levels.

Kurt Blasher, Lowell, was the winner of the Lowell Ledger "First Buck" contest. Blasher brought in an eight-point buck. November 23, 1988

The list of Christmas activities sponsored by the Lowell Chamber of Commerce is published.

Cornerstone Community Church offers Thanksgiving Day dinner for the people in the community who might otherwise be spending the holiday alone.

Alto, Bushnell and Runciman-Riverside Elementary Schools in cooperation help raise money for Santa Claus Girls' "Give a Child a Book for Christmas."

Lowell girls' basketball team's season comes to an end in district play against Forest Hills Central. The Red Arrows lost 54-45.

Women of the Moose donate \$500 to the Boosters Club. November 30, 1988

City Fathers put finishing touches on a 1,000-foot sliding hill for youths on N. Washington east of the old shooting range.

Lowell Athletic Director, Bob Perry was named "A.D. of the Year" by the Western Michigan

Officials Association. Perry has dedicated 37 years of service in education and 20 years as the schools A.D.

The new board game Lottery Fever hit the local store shelves (Cousin's) in time for Christmas Shopping. The game was created by Lowell resident Bob Perkins and partner and friend, Ken Zoodmsa.

December 7, 1988
Lowell and area communities

3 by Lester Morse of Belding. Grondman, Lowell, a new pony after the seven-year-old lost her pony Ginger.

After 15 years of service as trustee on the Vergennes Township Board Rich Bieri retired. Lowell High School Principal pony delivered to her home Dec.

Lowell BB cont.

after Rogers jumped on the Red Arrows early and coasted to an O-K White Conference victory.

"We never got on our feet. Again we played better in the second half but that's little consolation," Thomas said.

Lowell was led by Tim Weststrate's 20 points. Bob Adams added 13, and Ryan Holtz contributed with 10. Lowell was outrebounded in the contest 38-23.

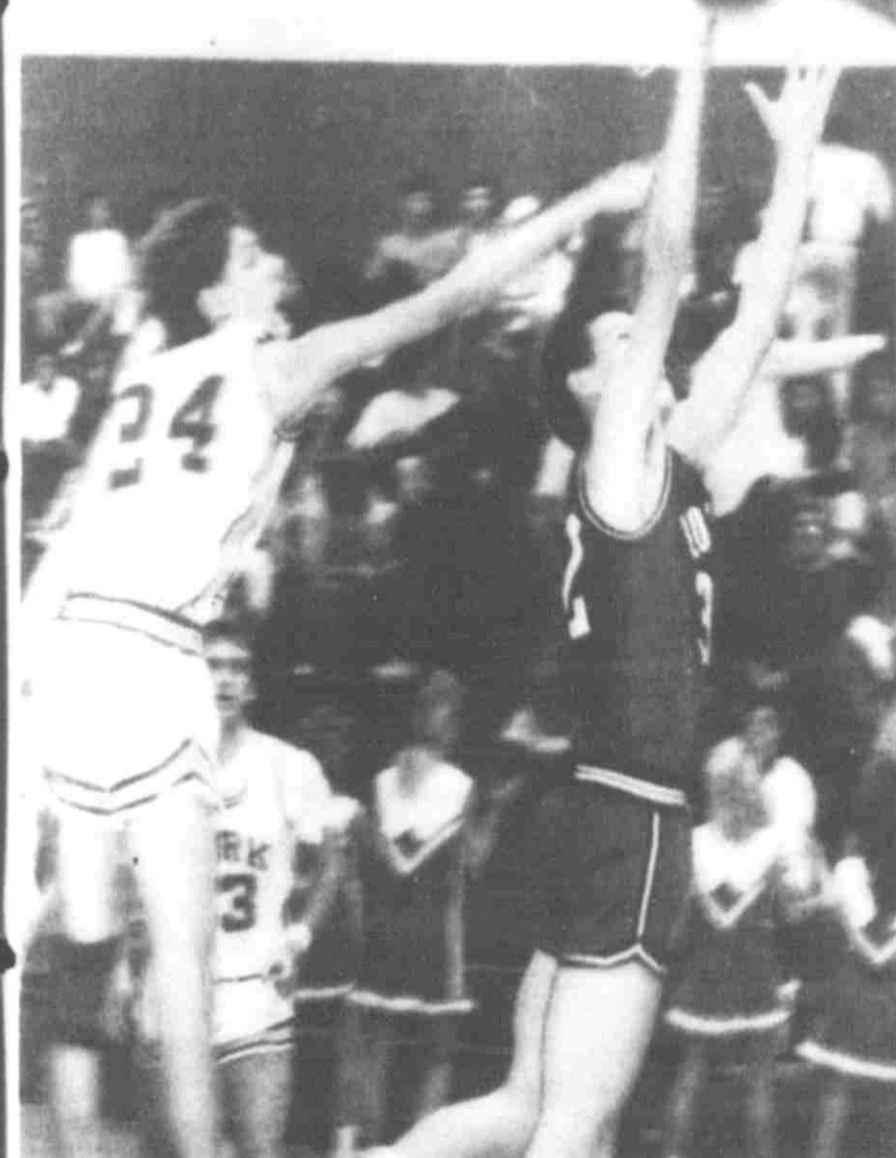
"We have to do a better job on transition - from offense to defense," Thomas said. "It's a matter of communicating with each other and finding a man."

He added the Arrows settled down in the final 16 minutes. "We do alright if we initiate the action and don't set back," Thomas said.

Rogers was led by Steve Henderson and Dudy Nash with 17 points apiece.



Tom Moore seizes control of the ball during action in the Wyoming Park contest.



Merry Christmas!

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Red Arrow Ryan Holtz out-positions this Viking for a rebound. Lowell stayed with Wyoming Park on the boards, being outrebounded 43-40.

11 points, but led the club on the boards with nine rebounds. Other players in double figures included Ryan Holtz and Tim Weststrate with 10 points apiece. Both players also grabbed six rebounds each.

With the win Park stood at 2-1 in the league and 2-2 overall. Lowell fell to 1-2 in the league and 1-4 overall. Rogers 90, Lowell 65

Lowell Coach Mark Thomas referred to Roger's gymnasium as an intimidating place to play

The reason there are so many surnames of Smith today is that during the Middle Ages the name was used for all metalworkers, or smelters, which means "to beat."

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of 75, 50, and 25 Years Ago



100 YEARS AGO IN THE JOURNAL - DEC. 21, 1888
The S of V (?) Bal Masque is the Social Event for Christmas Eve, with costume rental available at Train's Hotel for 75c to three dollars.

The Lowell School finishes the 1888 term, with the 1889 term beginning on Dec. 31. Parents who desire better education for their children than is obtainable in country schools are urged to send them here. Tuition is low, and boarding houses plentiful.

Joseph Carter Post is ordained a "minister, missionary and teacher" by The Michigan Association of Spiritualists.

Ira Johnson of Ada has 30 men cutting 14 hundred cords of wood for brick-yard use.

75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - DEC. 18, 1913
Lowell is one of six towns to be part of the newly formed Kent County YMCA. The plan is to organize groups of men and boys for Bible study, athletics and social recreation--all the features of YMCA work as can be done without building and equipment.

The editor guesses that America's increasing alcohol problem is the result of thousands of anarchists immigrating here.

Cold storage of foods, hailed as a blessing by some, is under Congressional investigation. Reports such as the four-year-old egg sold as "strictly fresh" abound.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - DEC. 22, 1938
The Ledger reminisces about when the Christmas "tree" was a bare branch decorated with cotton balls and colored paper, and an apple, orange, candy cane and pair of mittens were the typical stocking contents.

A number of WPA checks have recently been stolen and forged in West Michigan, and persons are warned to ask for the WPA identification card in any check-cashing transaction.

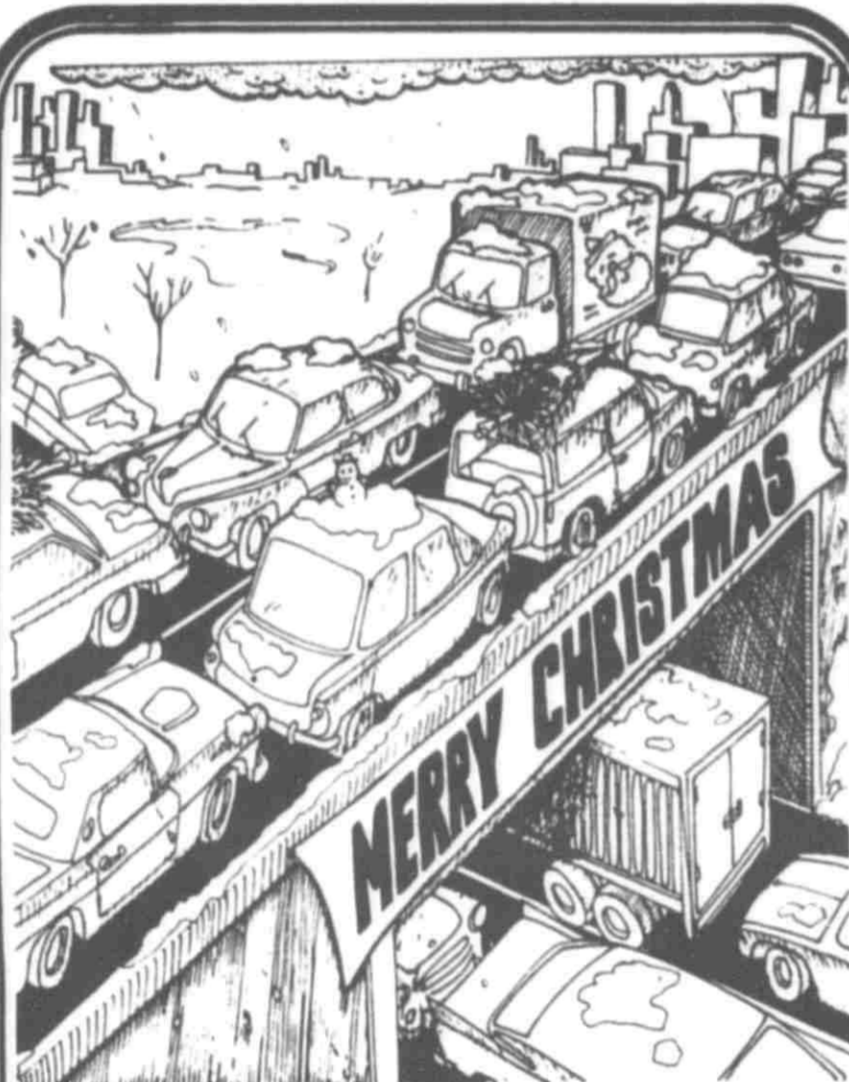
A Milk Marketing Study Commission created by Governor Murphy is recommending state control of milk prices for producers only. Marketing districts will be set up and cost of licenses will finance the operation, after dairy farmers ask for the setup. It is hoped that price control will help dairy farmers to resist low-price pressures.

25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - DEC. 19, 1963
Dawn Phillips wins a first-place trophy for 7-year-olds in her first out-of-state twirling contest.

The Light and Power crew hangs Christmas decorations twice on Main Street, thanks to heavy winds.

In spite of three first-string wrestlers out with injury or illness, Lowell's team keeps winning.

The nation's mobile homes increased by 152,000 this year (only 118,000 in 1962), many are moved only about once in two years, due to increased size and weight.



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Year in Review, cont.

Dick Korb received a letter from Arthur D. Stine of the Department of Civil Rights, State of Michigan stating Lowell would be removed from the list of schools in the final printed edition of the report regarding school nicknames with an Indian related name.

Lowell's Santa Claus Parade on Dec. 3 was a big success as residents lined the streets from Washington to Thomet's Chevrolet to George Saegon, the scout troops and bands marched merrily along.

The \$5.7 million waste water treatment plant nears its completion. The new plant will remove 95-98 percent of all the water pollutants before being returned to the Flat River.

December 14, 1988
The school board agreed to hold a special millage election on March 21. The board will ask for 2.9 mills in the first year and an additional .3 mills or 3.2 mills in the second year.

Lowell Rotary opens its doors to its first woman Rotarian. Linda Zaczek attended her first Rotary meeting as an official Rotarian.

The Village Party Shoppe is sold to George Saegon, the name was also changed to Ice-man's Outlet.

Lowell's boys' basketball team won its first contest of the year, defeating Sparta 89-78. The win was also first-year coach Mark Thomas' first varsity basketball victory.

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Showboat choir carols

"Here We Go a Caroling." The Showboat Choir and company did just that on Dec. 15. Here the group of carolers are standing in front of Cousin's.

Attwood employees bearing gifts

In the 1950's the Lowell Moose Lodge's civic affairs committee took it upon itself to make Christmas a happy and joyful time of year for the needy people of the community.

That sort of sharing and caring has a way of spreading. For the last number of years, the Attwood employees have taken it upon themselves to donate gifts and food to the Moose

Lodge for needy youngsters and families in the local area. "It's a wonderful thing that they do and I think people in the community should beware of it," Lowell Moose member Hugh Linkfield said.

The toys and food gathered this year were then distributed on Saturday, Dec. 17 by the Moose members. "We're working in conjunction with the Con-

gregational and Methodist Churches," Hugh Linkfield said. "After we are through distributing to the local families, the extra toys will be given to the Toys for Tots program."

Linkfield said holiday goods were distributed to 30 families

in the community.

The Moose Lodge has been in Lowell for 39 years and Linkfield explains it has been committed to sharing and caring. "Moose members are dedicated and have made a commitment to giving," Linkfield said.



Angelo Zengri, right, and Hugh Linkfield, left, keep a careful watch over the toys Attwood employees purchased and wrapped for the needy children in the area.

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