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## Showboat headliners create a special fan rapport

### Newton gives a 2 1/2 pain-relieving performance

In Las Vegas, long lines form outside the showrooms to see Wayne Newton because people consider him the greatest Las Vegas performer in history.

Saturday, lines formed for blocks outside the Gerald Ford Fieldhouse, as fans waited again to get in to see the consummate entertainer.

It was quite a contrast from

the cozy, intimate Lowell Showboat Amphitheatre, but a steady rain that had arrived overnight carried into the early Saturday afternoon, forcing the decision to move the show.

Newton's skills were tested, as his talents were called on to help people forget about the pre-show wait, and the seating confusion they en-

countered once inside the Fieldhouse.

Lowell Showboat concert promoter Brad Coombs (Group I) was approached by Newton's production manager, Lee Parsons, on Saturday afternoon about 1:30. Parsons told Coombs Newton's crew would not set up the equipment in the rain and inclement weather. Left

with either moving the show to the Fieldhouse or not having a show at all, Parsons' stage crew, technical crew and Showboat volunteers spent the next 6 hours moving equipment from the Showboat Amphitheatre to the Fieldhouse. Showboat volunteers scurried around with fieldhouse officials to coordinate Amphithe-

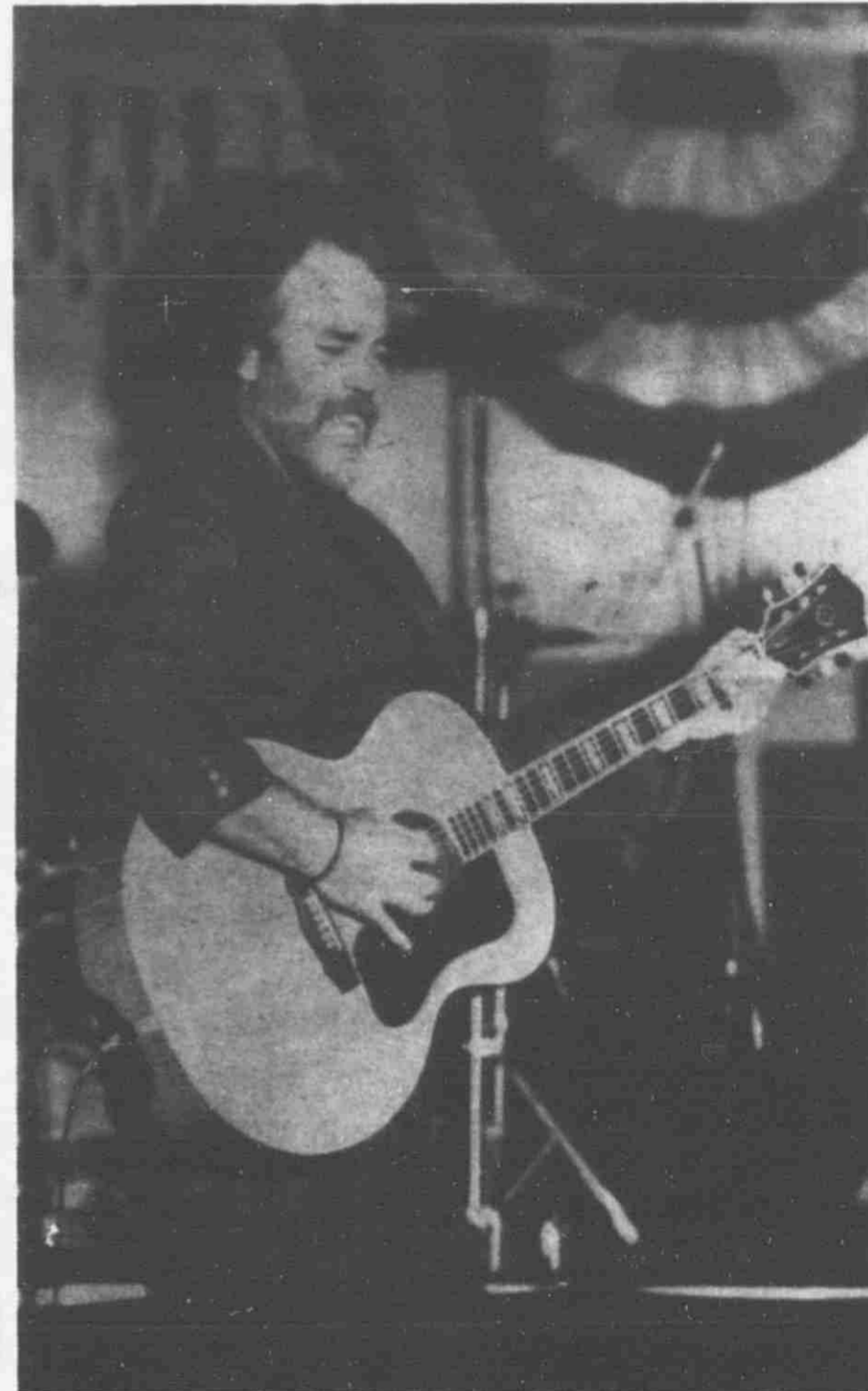
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Wayne Newton performed for nearly 2-1/2 hours Saturday night for Lowell Showboat fans at the Ford Fieldhouse.



Puckett turned back the clock with 60's rock.



Morris' singing talents and wit entertained Friday night's crowd.

## Music disagreement results in shooting of 19 year old Lowell man

An argument over the loudness of music at an open house/graduation party resulted in a Lowell man getting shot in the abdomen Saturday night.

Pete Gerkin, 19-years old of Lowell, was listed in good condition Tuesday at Blodgett Memorial Hospital after being shot by a Grand Rapids man Saturday.

According to Kent County Sheriff's Department Detective Bob Start, shortly after four black Grand Rapids men showed up at a graduation party at 158 Bahala, a private drive off of Bailey Drive, an argument over the loudness of their music ensued. The argument led to a fist fight between James Russell Whitney,

25, of Grand Rapids and other guests at the party.

"During the fight, Whitney produced a handgun and fired it into the air," Start said. "As he then tried to get back into his car, Whitney felt it necessary to fire the gun once more, the second shot hitting Gerkin in the abdomen."

Whitney and his three male passengers then attempted to drive off. In doing so he hit two others in attendance at the party and ran into a number of other cars on his way out, Start said. "Whitney and his passengers were invited by two female members at the open house/graduation party."

Whitney was arraigned Monday on charges of carrying a concealed weapon and

carrying a felony firearm, the latter charge carrying an automatic two-year sentence, if convicted.

The other three passengers were retained, questioned and released. Whitney's bail was set at \$5,000.

Start said the case is still being reviewed with the preliminary exam set for July 3.

Gerkin's father, Rev. Joe Gerkin said his son was fortunate in that the bullet missed all major organs.



### ATTENTION LHS CLASS OF 1981

It is not too late to make your reservations for our 10 year Class Reunion on August 3, 1991.

The following are classmates we've been unable to locate: Robin Hildenbrand, Tom Brown, Robert Amborski, Rebecca Hatcher, Debra Myers, Brian Spencer and Rick Wilson.

If you know the whereabouts of anyone listed or have questions about August 3 reunion, please call Ruth Thomet at 868-2073.

### JAYCEES SPONSOR BLOOD DRIVE

The Lowell Area Jaycees in cooperation with the Grand Valley Blood Program invite you to save a life by donating blood on Wednesday, July 10 from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Look Memorial Fire Station on Hudson St., Lowell. If you have any questions, please call Noel Seif at 897-4395.

### ST. PATRICK'S FESTIVAL - JUNE 30

The Annual St. Patrick's Parnell Festival is set for Sunday, June 30.

There will be a chicken barbeque from noon to 5 p.m. with take-outs available. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. Preschoolers are free. Homemade pies and cakes, too.

Bingo will be played on Saturday, June 29, 6 to 11 p.m. and Sunday from 12 to 5. Live music on Saturday from 8 to 12

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# Obituaries

**BERGY**- Bruce W. Bergy aged 52, of Alto, died unexpectedly June 16, 1991. Survived by his children, Lori (James) Kauffman of Bremerton, WA, Linda Bergy of Orlando, FL, Patrick Bergy of Ft. Myers, FL; special friend, Connie Kennedy of Lowell and Ruth Sanft of Kissimmee FL. Mr. Bergy was the owner of Bergy Bros. Inc. of Alto and was the Assistant Fire Chief with the Alto Fire Dept. Funeral Service was held Thursday at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Rev. Todd Thompson of Alto-Bowne Center United Methodist Church officiating. Interment Bowne Center Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, me-

morial may be made to Alto Fire Dept.

**DREW**- Mrs. Carolyn Drew, age 79, of Lowell, died June 17, 1991 at Lowell Medical Care Center. She is survived by her daughter, Delores Strikwerda of Valparaiso, IN; nine grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren. Funeral Services were held Friday, June 21 at Roth-Gerst Chapel, Msgr. James P. Moran of St. Mary's Church officiating. Interment Woodlawn Cemetery, Grand Rapids.

**PASANEN** - Mrs. Irma C. Pasanen, aged 78, of Lowell,

died June 21, 1991. She was preceded in death by her husband, John A. and daughter, Judy Stebbins. Survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Peter and Dorothy Pasanen, of Rochester Hills, MI; four grandchildren, Tracy (Tom) Stebbins-Butt of Stark, MS, Kirsten (Paul) Nestro of Cincinnati, OH, John and Amy Pasanen of Rochester Hills; brother-in-law, Stanley Gardner of Lowell, sister-in-law, Mrs. Alice Coles of Greenville; nephew, William Pasanen of Berkeley, MI; niece, Jina Early of Galveston, TX; also several nieces and nephews. Mrs. Pasanen was a member of First United Methodist Church of Lowell, Mary Esther Circle, Lowell Women's Club and Vergennes Club. Funeral Service was held Monday at 1 p.m. at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Rev. William

Amundsen officiating. Entombment at Graceland Mausoleum. Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Lowell.

**TRUMBLE** - John W. Trumble, DVM, aged 79, of Portland, formerly of Lowell, died June 22, 1991. He was

preceded in death by his wife, Ruth. Survived by children, Patricia (Dale) Kuenzli, James Trumble, Jerry (Eva) Trumble, all of St. Johns, MI, Cheryl (Larry) Rogers of Portland, 14 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. Dr. Trumble was a retired veterinarian in Lowell and for the State of Michigan. Fu-

neral Services were held Tuesday at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Lowell, Rev. Robert Nixon of United Congregational Church of Portland officiating. Interment Oakwood Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

## 39 youths compete in 5th annual "Andy Kooiman" Kids Fishing Day

Saturday, June 8th, saw 39 area youngsters at the Lowell Middle School Pond as the guests of the Lowell Area Fishing Club at 5th Annual Kid's Fishing Day. The event is supported by donations

from area businesses and merchants.

The kids enjoyed themselves fishing with their Dads, Granddads and some Moms and Grandmas were in attendance. "We enjoy doing this for the kids, as much as they enjoy being here," said Bill Degroot III, President of L.A.F.C. "We had a super nice day, although the fish didn't really cooperate as well as in the past. They only caught 147, four of them Brook Trout. Everyone attending was treated to a hotdog, cookies and soda pop lunch after the official end of the contest. A door prize drawing was held and new this year was a casting contest.

Winners in the 5-6 yr. old category were: Timmy Vezino 1st, Stacey Onan 2nd, and Benny Symmes 3rd; \*7-9 yrs. Doug Ford and David Dabakey tied for 1st; Shawna Seiloff 2nd; \*10-11 yrs. Mindy Onan 1st, Coby Onan and Bob Ford tied for 2nd; \*11-13 yrs.: Benny Vinton 1st, Brian Dabakey 2nd and Erik Rose 3rd. The Most Fish were caught by Benny Vinton (13) and Biggest Fish was caught by Erik Rose.

In the Casting contest, David Dabakey was 1st for the Boys and Tami Sherman was 1st for the girls with other places being taken by Shawna Seiloff, Brian Dabakey A.J. Bsharah and Stacey Onan.



Five year old Eddie Howey concentrates hard on his casting technique at the 5th Annual Andy Koolman Kids Fishing Day, while club member, Bill Holtz takes names of onlooking contestants.

# Kemp reviews district's financial situation

Lowell Assistant Superintendent Gary Kemp spelled out very clearly, at the Monday night Board of Education meeting, what the rejection of the recent school renewal millage will cost the school and what a second rejection in September would cost the district.

The first total can be measured in dollars. The school lost through state aid and local taxes, \$8.3 million. Of that total, property taxes represented \$6.6 million.

"If the renewal millage effort in September fails, the school will be out of money at the end of September and will

have to shut its doors," Kemp said.

Because of the difficulty the state continues to have financially, the school received the second half of its state aid formula monies for the summer on June 24.

Schools have already been informed that they will get

half of their fall state aid formula funds in August and the other half in September.

As a result of the lost mills in the June millage renewal, Lowell Schools will get \$1,273 per student as opposed to the \$3,752 it would have received had the millage passed. The gross state aid

this year for Lowell Schools will be \$4.2 million.

"People should be warned that their summer tax bill will be drastically low, so low in fact they might be tempted to spend the money they had budgeted for taxes," Kemp said. He noted that if the September millage renewal vote

is approved, the school will collect all 26.1 mills in the winter.

"Some would say, cut busing and cut athletics. Busing only accounts for \$500,000 and athletics only accounts of \$150,000," Kemp said.

Lowell Superintendent

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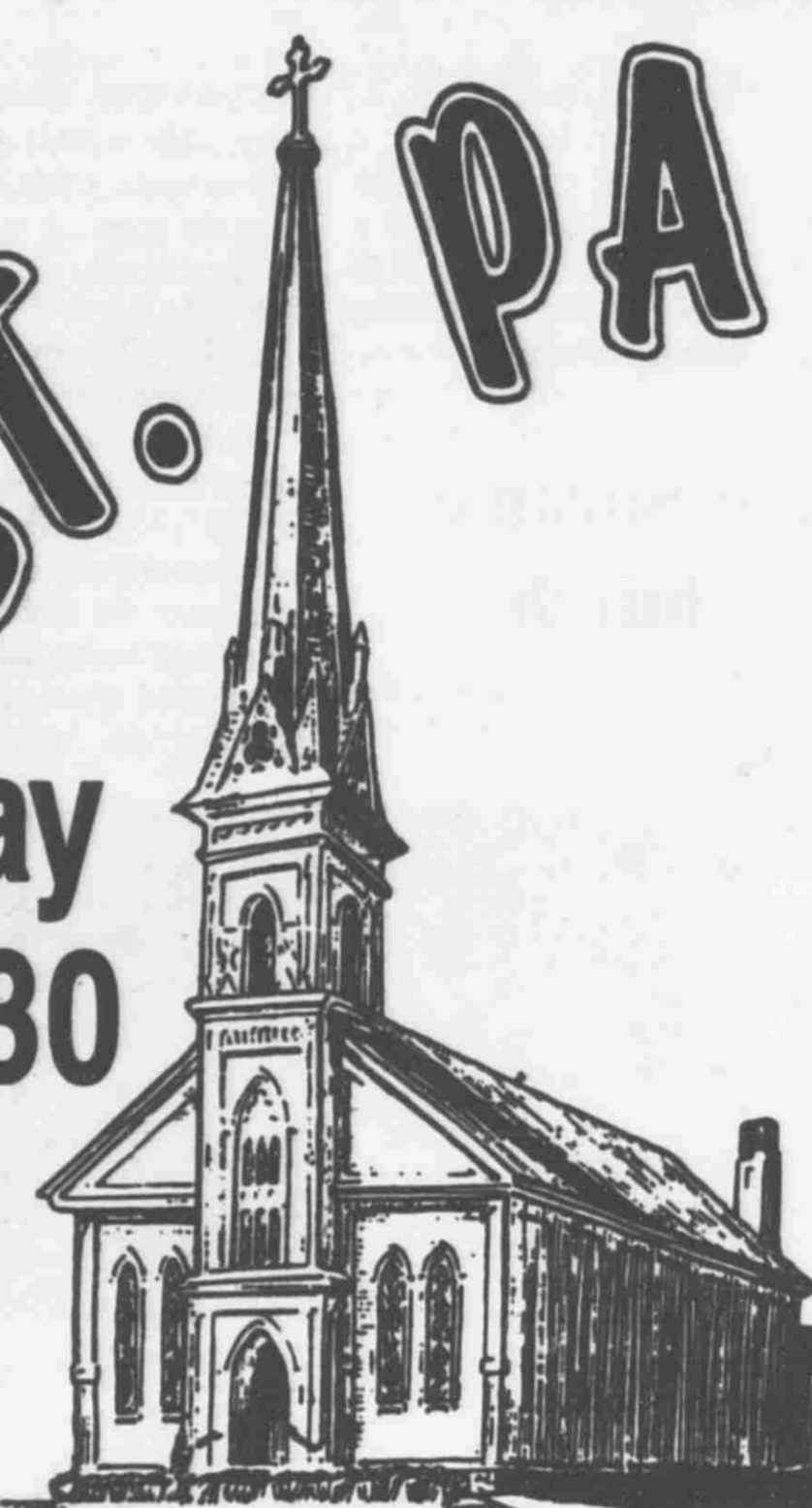
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# More 1991 Lowell Showboat highlights...



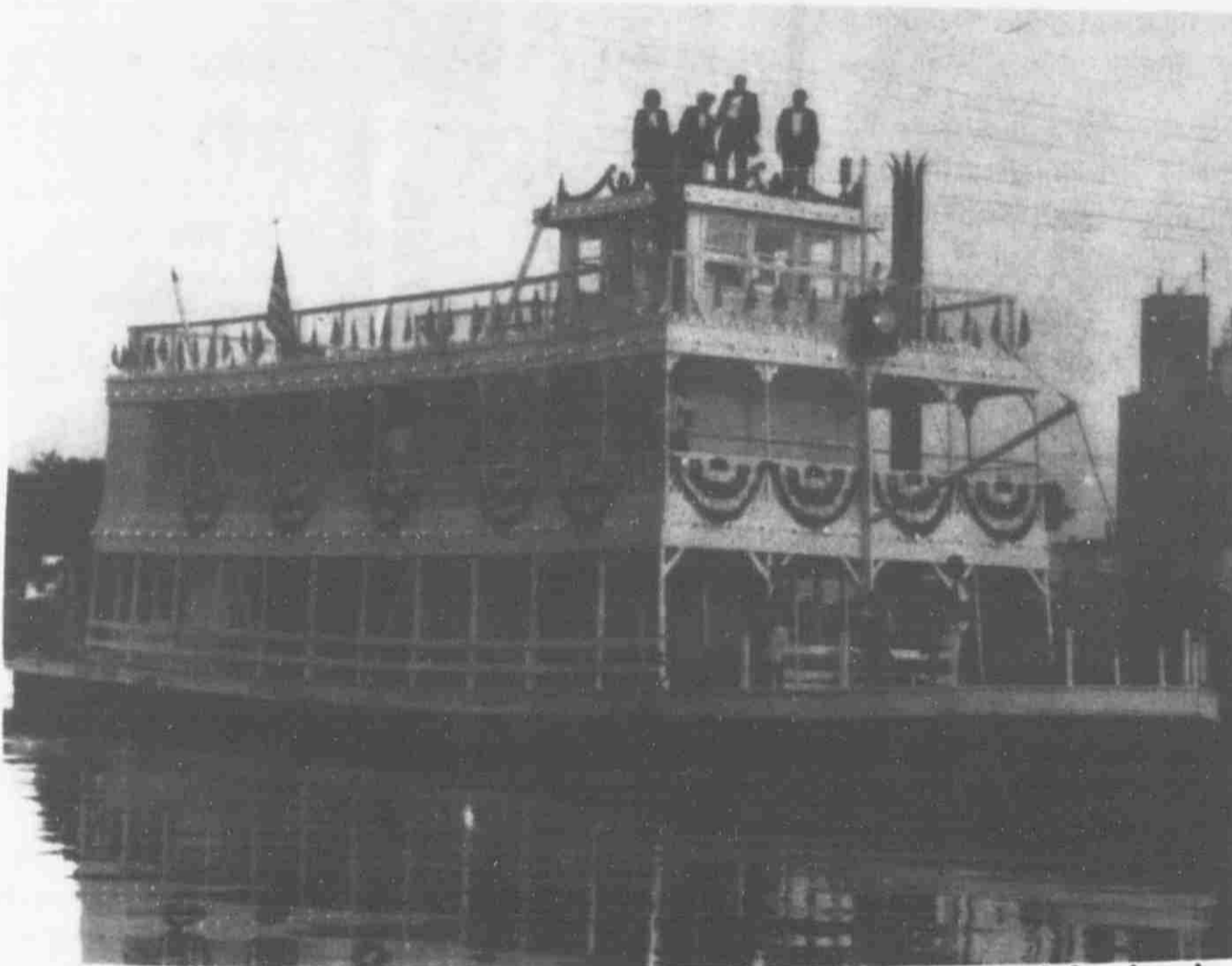
Eeww! A Puppy?



The "King of Las Vegas" lived up to his billing as the greatest entertainer of all.



Gary Morris' version of "Wind Beneath My Wings" brought tears to the eyes of some.



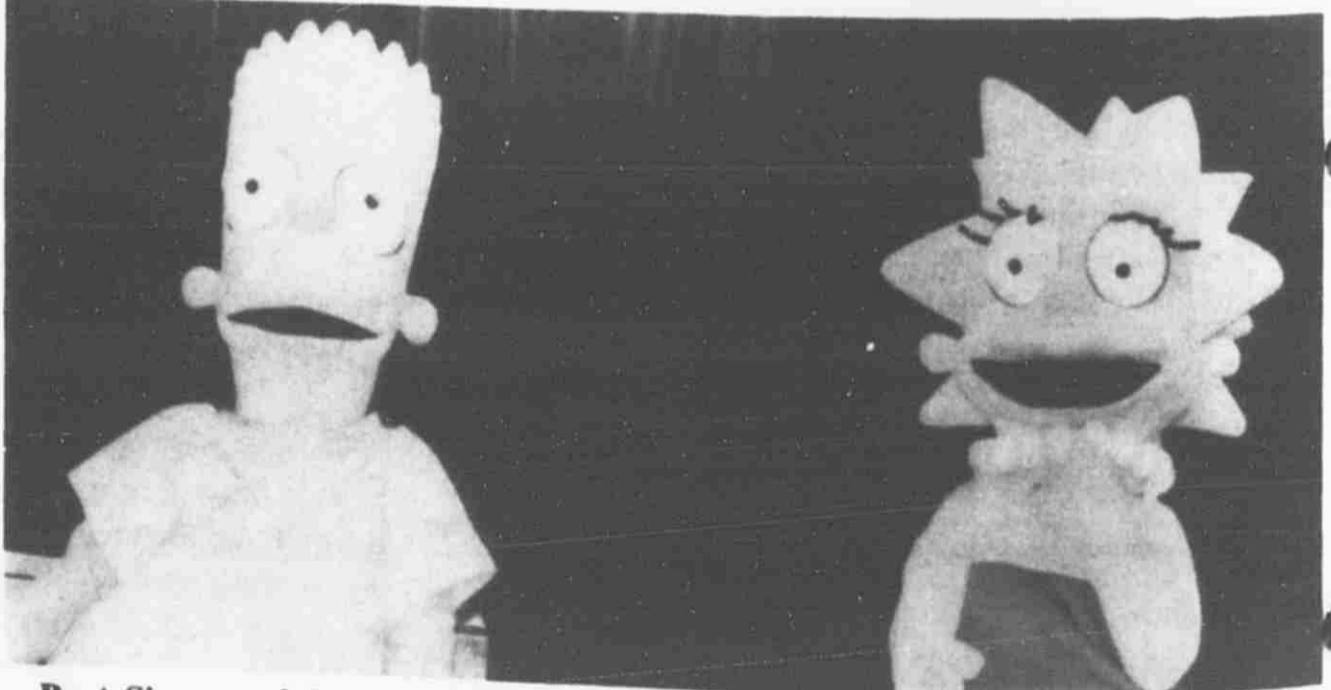
Here Comes the Showboat! The Lowell Showboat made its way around the river in time to dock at the amphitheatre for the Gary Puckett Show on Thursday.



Shannon Greene and Joe Greene (left to right), were two of the four endmen. The other two were Tony Stencil and Tamela Spicer.



Wedding Bells chimed Friday night on the Lowell Showboat.



Bart Simpson, left, and his sister, Lisa, right, were a big hit at the Showboat Amphitheatre on Saturday.



Gary Morris, right, played and sang for nearly two hours on Friday night at the Lowell Showboat.

# Lowell Showboat, continued...

atre tickets and seats with those at the Fieldhouse.

The end result was people holding reserved tickets in some cases getting general admission seats and some even had to stand.

"In my 13 years in the business, I've never had anything quite like this happen," Coombs said.

Some general admission ticket holders had their vision blocked by double tiered speakers on both sides of the stage.

After his opening few numbers, Newton "thanked the audience for their patience in waiting and for their understanding with the seating complications."

While his words were of little solace for those who paid \$22.50 and \$25 for tickets, the 2-1/2 hour-performance that

followed helped ease the pain of seating discomfort for many.

Newton, attired in his Riverboat blue blazer and white pants and shoes, and red rose in his lapel, told the audience he was dressed that way because he thought he was going to be on the Lowell Showboat.

The Las Vegas performer was accompanied by a 17-piece orchestra, under the direction of Don Vincent.

In the 150 minute concert, Newton shared 25 songs with the audience, including "Danke Schoen," "Red Roses For A Blue Lady," and "Spanish Harlem."

Newton, a multi-versatile singer as well as an instrumental player, displayed his talents on the guitar, banjo, trumpet, and piano.

Newton's encore performance had the entertainer all decked out in Elvis Presley attire. He closed his show with the "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Prior to taking to the stage, Newton asked that Lowell Showboat President Gordon Gould send the five amateur acts who made up the pre-show backstage so he could meet with them. The amateur acts were Chapel of Love, Ico Ico, Family Tradition, Angie Bethel and Becky Raymor.

His dry wit, compelling vocal talents, and his straightforward quality and honesty endeared country-western star, Gary Morris to the Lowell Showboat faithful Friday night.

Morris also serenaded the

Showboat crowd to pre-wedding ballads in preparation for the marriage of Kevin Reynolds, account executive at WCUZ, to Cherie Clancy.

The 10-15 minute wedding ceremony was a show sweetener packaged inbetween an hour-an-50 minutes of Morris who awed the audience with his vocal range and ability to sing any genre, any range and with any level of emotion.

Before a crowd of over 1,400 people, Morris captivated the crowd with songs from his most recent LP "These Days" and his signature song, "Wind Beneath My Wings."

Selections performed by Morris from his LP included "Workin' Man Blues," "Love Don't Work That Way," "These Days," "Baby Bye Bye," and "Making Up For

Lost Time."

Morris may have had his finest hour with the Showboat crowd during the sing-along-portion of "Velvet Chains." He worked the crowd for all of its vocal talents. Needless to say, the crowd fell well short of Morris' standards. "That @#%& (when something is real bad)," Morris laughed, as did the audience.

The California man related well to the audience, including an explanation of how Gary Puckett and the Union Gap was named. Puckett explained that the Union Gap name was taken from the historic town of Union Gap, Washington. That's how the decision to dress in Civil War uniforms came about.

Puckett first appeared on

the Lowell Showboat in July of 1970. He seemed genuinely happy for the chance of a return visit. Following his show, fans were genuinely pleased he was asked back. Many were surprised by just how good the Puckett vocals still are.

The Showboat crowd corrected Puckett when he kept referring to it as a Grand Rapids crowd. "But I flew into Grand Rapids," he said, with an apologetic glare. When that didn't work, he chuckled. "I could have said, 'It's great to be back in Cleveland.'"

WODJ's J.B. Miller and Jennifer Williams emceed prior to the start of the amateur show and introduced Puckett to the Robert E. Lee Showboat crowd.

## Main St., cont'd.

and Las Vegas Cash from 8 to 12 on Saturday and 1 to 5 on Sunday.

There will be a raffle and much, much more. Come, and enjoy the fun!

### JAYCEES ACCEPTING ENTRIES FOR PARADE

The Lowell Area Jaycees are accepting entries for the Fourth of July parade, which will begin at 10 a.m. at the Methodist Church. Lineup will be at 9:30 a.m.

All children who wish to participate by walking in the parade will receive a hand held flag. Please contact Jackie Foster with your parade entry at 868-6766.

### ADVENTURE CAMP STILL HAS OPENINGS

Registration is still open for YMCA Adventure Camp which consists of bicycle riding, canoeing, high ropes course and overnight at Camp Manitou-Lin on July 1, 2 and 3.

Volleyball Camp is July 8, 9, 10 and 11 with field trip to Splash on July 12 for students entering the 4th-8th grades.

Tennis Camp is July 15, 16, 17 and 18, with field trip to Chuckie Cheese on Friday, July 19 for students entering 3rd - 8th grades.

Bowling Camp is July 22, 23, 24 and 25 with field trip to Maze Craze on July 26 for students entering grades 4-8. Call the Y Office at 897-8445 for more information.

### OFF THE BLOTTER

Avery Block, 70, of Lowell was involved in a minor property damage accident June 14, when a tire on his vehicle jumped the curb, causing his vehicle to strike one of the tree planters on Main near Lafayette.

Shawn Parrish, 19, of Sheridan, Failed to Stop in Time June 18 on South Hudson near Ottawa and struck the rear of a car driven by Lisa Davidson, 28, of Belding. Both Davidson and Karen Howe, 25, of Lowell, a passenger, suffered minor injuries.

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A 15 year old juvenile male was cited into Probate Court this past week for Destruction of Property Over \$100, which occurred June 16 to Wittenbach Sales and Service on West Main St.

Given an appearance ticket to 63rd District Court for Minor in Possession of Alcohol was Robert Whitcomb, 17, of Lowell. Robert Watrous, 28, of Clarksville was arrested June 21 for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol.

Arrested June 19 on a warrant issued out of Roane County, Tennessee for Forgery, was Wayne Will, 39, of Lowell.

Arrested June 21 on a warrant issued out of an Ionia County Court was Steven Ellison, 29, of Saranac by Lowell officers. Two juveniles, one nine years old, the other eleven, will be referred to Juvenile Court in connection with a larceny from the carnival at Riverside School grounds on June 21.

## House saved in garage fire mishap

A stalwart firewall and an expeditious response by firefighters are two critical reasons Bruce Munroe's home was saved from the destruction of a garage fire at 1470 Carol Lynne Drive last Tuesday.

Lowell's Fire Department was dispatched to the garage fire at 12:11 p.m. Tuesday afternoon, firefighters were on the scene of the blaze at 12:14.

Lowell Fire Chief Frank Martin pointed to a good fire wall between the garage and the Munroe home and a good response time as reasons why extensive damage to the home was prevented.

"I'm extremely grateful with how fast the fire department got here. Its quick response, saved my home," a relieved Munroe said.

According to Martin, the fire started in the front, northeast corner of the garage. "The fire was accelerated along by a flammable liquid. How it was ignited has not yet been determined," he said. The fire was first detected by a neighbor who called 911 for help.

Munroe was contacted at work (Modular Transportation) by his wife, Marie.

Martin estimated the damage to be near \$10,000. Munroe also had to deal with 4-5 inches of water which had settled into his basement.

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Lowell officers stopped and arrested four suspects involved in a shooting Saturday evening, June 22, on Bahala Dr. in Lowell. The suspects were turned over to the Kent County Sheriff's Dept.

Arrested in 63rd District Court on charges of Criminal Sexual Conduct, 2nd Degree, was Samuel Lowden, 27, of Lowell.

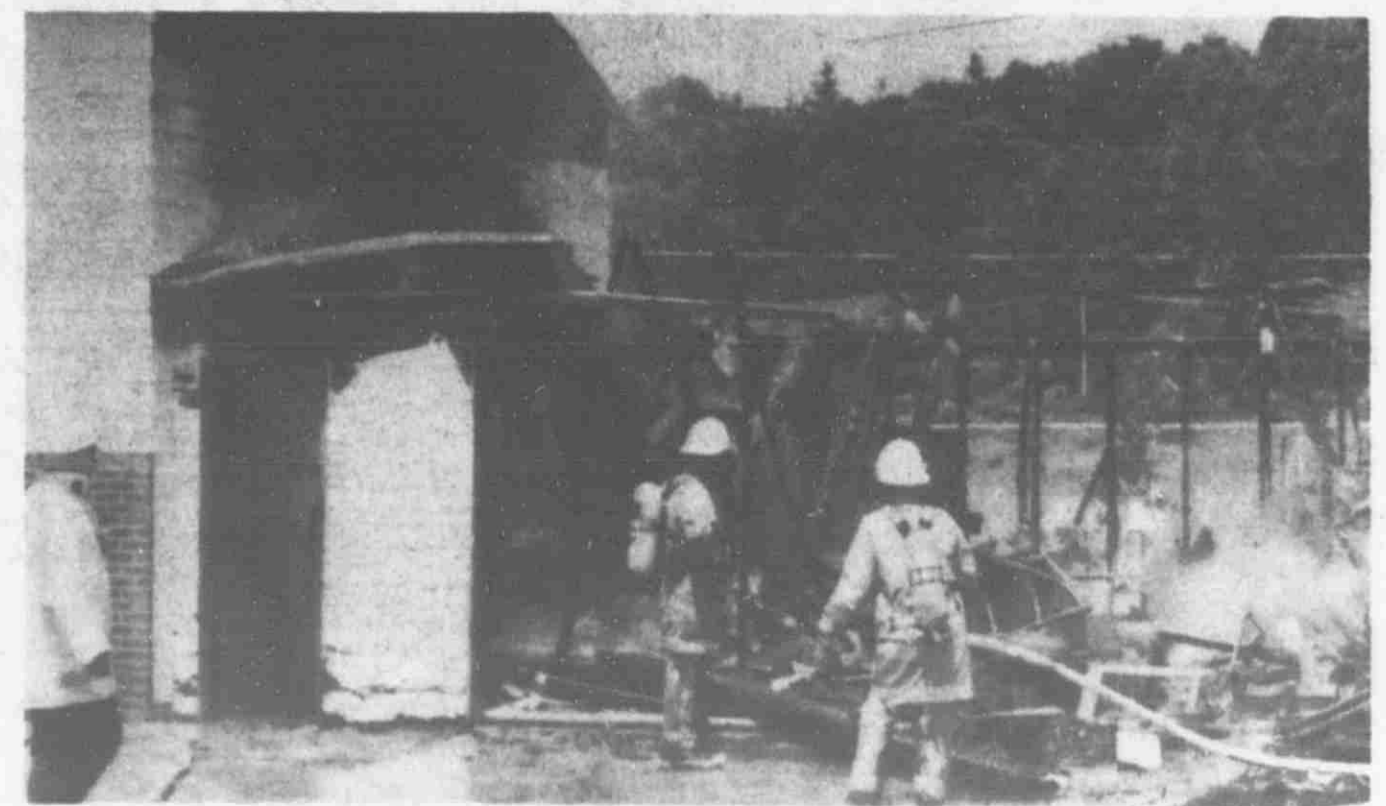
Arrested on two warrants issued out of a Hastings, MI court by Lowell officers, June 21 was David Hayes, 26, of Grand Rapids.

A 13 year old juvenile female from Grand Ledge, was taken to Detention June 21, after Lowell officers apprehended her as a run-away.

Cited into 63rd District Court June 21 for Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor, was Richard Hunter, 22, of Alto.



A fire destroyed a garage at 1470 Carol Lynne Drive last Tuesday.



Lowell firefighters were on scene minutes after the fire started.

# Showboat Parade holds 46 entries



Roger's Department Store's Roger Raccoon.



Lowell students were making music as they paraded down Main Street.



The Showboat Parade lasted 30 minutes.



There were 46 entries in this year's Showboat Parade.



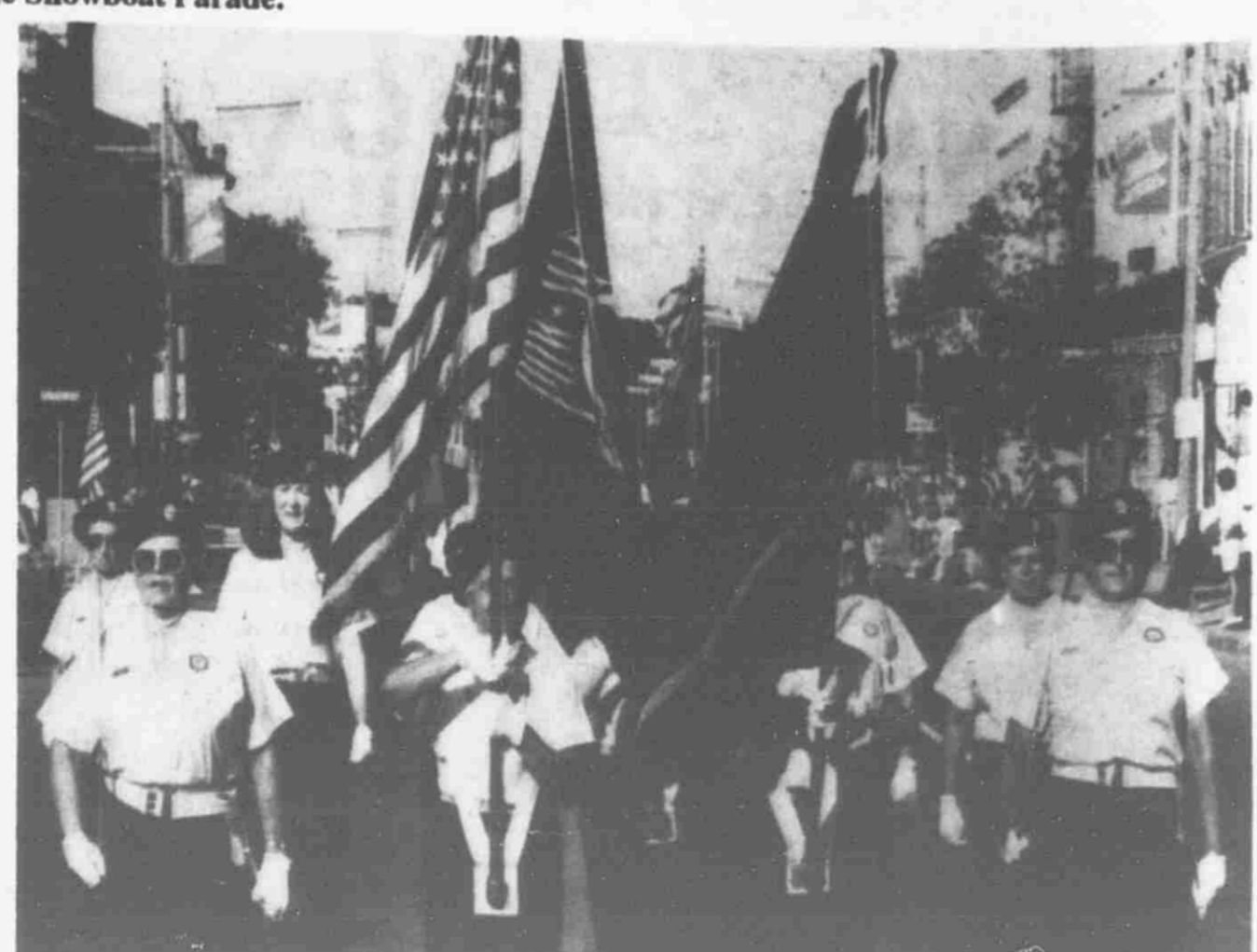
Biffy, the Ionia Free Fair Mascot, had an enjoyable ride down Main Street in the Showboat Parade.



Amanda Panda gives a friendly wave to parade onlookers.



Lowell's Showboat Court shone brightly in the parade's sunshine.



The weather was ideal for marching in the Showboat parade.

## School financial situation, continued...

Fritz Esch said the school will open with the full compliment of services for the 1991-92 school year. "The school will hire replacement staff positions but no new positions under its current millage status," he said.

Lowell schools should have collected \$4.5 million in summer taxes. Usually it's able to invest that money and collect interest. However, now, if the millage renewal passes in September, it will have to borrow money to make

it to the winter tax collection. "Instead of interest income, the school will have an interest expense," Kemp said.

Doris Roth and John Stencil both questioned why the school did not separate the issues of energy and maintenance, the Headlee Waiver and the operational renewal.

"A person could not vote 'yes' in favor of the operational millage renewal without voting 'yes' on the other two issues. We were politicized into voting on all three to-

gether instead of separately," Stencil said. He also asked if the school could delay spending the bond money a year. Esch said the state does not allow schools to draw interest on bond issue tax dollars of the people.

Joe Barnella said the people of Lowell are tired of the Board's arrogant attitude. "There's a ton of opposition out there against what the school is doing. I hope the school is willing to listen when the operational millage is

turned down a second time," Barnella said.

Lowell Board of Education treasurer, Linda Beers said she believes the people will weigh in favor of the educational pursuit of many, rather than the recreational pursuit of a few. "The Board is guilty of assuming too many things going into the recent operational millage renewal," she said.

Beers added that there will be informational meetings set up in July and August to ex-

plain the Headlee Waiver (which reauthorizes the current tax levy) and answer other questions people may have. "The information will be there for those who want it," Beers said. "I feel confident once people know the issue, they will support it."

Herman Weststrate agreed with Stencil and Roth. I am a Qua-ke-Zik Club member and that was an important issue in my voting "no" on this last millage, but not the only one. I, too, needed more than one

issue to vote on. I differ with the Board on a couple of points, but that doesn't mean I can't support the Lowell Board in the future."

Lowell Board of Education member John Haggai said the board failed in educating the public on what the vote meant to the district. "There are those who are smiling because the millage renewal failed. What the renewal rejection did, was throw \$250,000 of their tax money into the wind."

## Biker group works to change image Harley riders clean up Hudson Street



Biker groups are supposed to throw their empty beer cans onto the side of the road.

Biker groups are supposed to throw their fast food wrappers onto the side of the road.

Biker groups are supposed to be loud and obnoxious.

So, why then, did the Lowell education and legislative biker group dedicated to the freedom of the road, go quietly about cleaning up Hudson/Lincoln Lake Road from the Grand River to Vergennes Road Wednesday evening.

"Biker groups have been stereotyped over the years and we're trying to change that," explained Roy "Strider" Aitchison.

Aitchison and his Harley strider comrades are members of Michigan's Region 8 of ABATE (A Brotherhood Aiming Toward Education). Region 8 encompasses Kent,

Ottawa, Barry and Allegan Counties. "Its motto is 'educate not legislate,' thus saving people money," Aitchison says.

The Region has 387 members. There are 8,700 members nationally. Locally, the bikers meet in Lowell on the third Sunday of every month at the Zoo Bar. "Actually it is supposed to be a regional meeting, but it's mostly local bikers who are able to attend," Aitchison said.

ABATE is the seventh largest toy collection group for "Toys For Tots," accounting for \$1.25 million nationwide.

Aitchison and his "Rebels" spent a couple hours Wednesday evening cleaning and picking up trash along Lincoln Lake Road. Aitchison also hopes it was a couple hours well spent in cleaning up the biker stereotype.

ABATE, an education and legislative bike group dedicated to the freedom of the road, clean up along Hudson as part of the Adopt-a-Highway program.

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## Fire, continued...

"The family will spend the next couple of weeks with friends and family until the garage debris and things in the basement can be cleaned up," Munroe said. "There was

no fire damage to the inside of the house."

The heat from the garage fire also bubbled the paint on the neighbor's car.

## GRATTAN TOWNSHIP NOTICE

PLANNING COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING

A Public Hearing by the Planning Commission will be held at the Grattan Township Hall, 11676 Old Belding Road on

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 1991  
at 7:30 p.m.

at which time and place any interested person will be heard.

1) Cecil Reed has requested a Special Use to build on a substandard lot (Section 3.39). Also, a private road permit (Section 3.33). Parcel #41-12-14-376-006, Address 13391 7 Mile Road, Belding, MI.

Written comments concerning the request should be received by July 10, 1991 and addressed to George Poulas, Secretary, Grattan Township Planning Commission, 11676 Old Belding Road, Belding, MI 48809.

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## CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE

### PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Lowell City Council will conduct public hearings at its regularly scheduled meeting on:

MONDAY, JULY 1, 1991 AT 7:30 P.M.

at the Lowell City Hall, 301 E. Main, Lowell, Michigan.

The purpose of said hearings will be to receive comments on the following:

- 501 Ottawa - Chris Bieri has requested a front yard setback variance to allow a 28' setback (50' setback is required) so that a 72'x40' building could be erected.
- To consider adopting a street numbering ordinance on all residences and other buildings in the City of Lowell.

Interested persons may submit comments prior to the meeting or appear in person at City Hall.

Betty R. Morlock,  
Deputy City Clerk.



Ed Marshall, left, President of the Flat River Snowmobile Club presents Barry Emmons, middle, VFW Post Commander, and Gordon Marshall, right, with a check for \$500 for the War Monument Memorial.

Whales depend on their sense of hearing more than their sight. Sound travels faster through water than through air and whales have good hearing.

## Flat River Snowmobile Club donates \$500 toward monument

Donations to the War Monument located across the street from the Showboat ticket booth continue to flow in.

Lowell VFW Post Commander, Barry Emmons said donations are now up to \$2,500 following a \$500 donation from the Flat River Snowmobile Club.

Emmons and Gordon Marshall who have headed the War Monument Memorial were presented with the check by the Club's president, Ed Marshall.

Donations will be used in the purchase of the four miniature memorial stones representing WW I, WW II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. "There will also be a fifth stone that will represent the servicemen involved in police actions, interventions, cold wars, Panama, Grenada, and Lebanon," Emmons said.

The foundations for the memorials are scheduled to be laid this week. Lowell Granite will donate the lettering and inscriptions.

Not included in the \$2,500

are donations of \$150 from the Kent Optimist Club and \$100 from Eastern Star.

"We are pleased to be able to give community money back to the community," Marshall said. The snowmobile club first started in 1971.

Gordon Marshall and Emmons also announced that the coffin flag of CWO-3 Kenneth Welch will be raised at the monument site on Memorial Day, Flag Day, Veteran's Day and the Fourth of July.

## Happy Birthday

June 27: Carol Wieland, Skye Perala, Richard Mahynski, Kevin Galloway, Joy Potter, Jennifer Kerman.

June 28: Brian Doyle, Dianna Sandy, Dawn Potter, Don Byers.

June 29: Marlene Knotnerus,

Colin Pawloski, Peg Bedell, Mary Iliff.

June 30: Cindy Anderson Midaugh, Jeanne Satterfield. July 1: Carolyn Hobbs, Kirk Collins, Nancy Dowling Mathews.

July 2: Ryan Lynne Roth, Joy Gahan, Marilyn Sauber, Tracy DeVries.

July 3: Alica Ryder, Kevin Whaley, Paul Wilcox, Leann Iteen, Sarah Wingeier, Paul Wilcox, Irma Richmond.

## In The Service

Air Force Master Sgt. Gayla J. Phillips, a first sergeant, has arrived for duty at Ankara Air Station, Turkey. She is the daughter of Barbara J. Dobbs of Indianapolis.

Her husband, Air Force Senior Airman Richard S. Phillips is the son of LaDonna M. Phillips of Saranac.

The sergeant is a 1964 graduate of Broad Ripple High School, Indianapolis, and is a 1990 graduate of Park College, Parkville, MO.

## Letters, continued

attend board meetings, voice concerns, etc. The school board reigns supreme. They have placed themselves in an "ivory tower" because we have allowed it!

Many voters have their minds made up - "you can't fight city hall" "what difference can I make?" It is these attitudes that have allowed all forms of local government to soar out of control. So let's not get too upset with the school board without first taking a look at ourselves. We have just as much responsibility as the board.

The school officials should realize the public did just what they were told - expressed their will at the voting booth. The other ninety percent of the voting community should realize we have the freedom to vote, but along with the privilege comes the responsibility. Both sides should wake up!

Tena Mellema

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13 (13)	WZZM	Grand Rapids
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CONTAINS LISTINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 28, THRU THURSDAY, JULY 4, 1991

Actress Helen Hayes (seen here in costume for *Vanessa, Her Love*) is paid tribute in the latest installment of Public Television's critically acclaimed series *American Masters*. After more than 80 years as an actress, Hayes is saluted by her peers and inheritors, Monday.

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1:05 MOVIE: Tropic Zone A man tries to move a banana plantation from crooks in tropical Central America...

AFTERNOON

12:00 MOVIE: The Sky's the Limit Elderly man defies all in an effort to win his grandson's affection...

19:00 Liquid TV
19:30 Wheel of Fortune
20:00 MOVIE: Lasse Come Home A faithful dog sets out on a long journey to find her former master...

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SATURDAY

June 29

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MORNING

5:00 Music Videos
5:30 Fishing With Roland Martin
6:00 Wake Up Call
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# Young Vezino to take part in Balloon championship

When the expected field of over 120 balloons fill the sky over Battle Creek during the 1991 Int'l Balloon Championship to be held June 29-July 6, Lowell pilot Kevin Vezino will be at the controls of his craft. Vezino will be flying his balloon in the competition class. The competition requires pilots to complete tasks to earn championship points.

Vezino, who is a printer at Amway, has been a balloon pilot for 10 years. During those years "The Vez", as Vezino is known, has participated in many balloon events in Michigan. Among his best events was a first place in the 1983 Jackson Hot Air Jubilee.

Kevin, who pilots a red and blue paneled balloon named "Big Mouth", has flown before at the Battle Creek event as a "Fiesta pilot". Kevin's best finish at Battle Creek was third in 1985. Vezino's crew includes his wife and crew chief, Mary, son K.J., brother Bob and Bob's wife Bonnie, and any of his other six brothers as they are needed from time to time.

As of this date, balloonists representing nine countries are registered for the seven

day event. Many Fiesta balloons, including the Kellogg Company's "Tony" balloon, and many other "festival balloons" like the "Michigan" balloon, a huge bear, a battery, a paint can and many other unique shaped and colored balloons will be drifting in the sky over the city of Battle Creek during the weeklong event.

In addition to the scheduled balloon flights at 6:30 am and 6:30 pm each day, other crowd pleasing features during the week include the precision U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds flying team, the thrilling Army Golden Knights parachute team, a fireworks show, a Lee Greenwood concert, and comedian Pat Paulsen.

The opening on Saturday evening, June 29 will find the balloons in a "mass balloon launch" at 6:30 p.m.

Paulsen is scheduled as part of a Comedians Plus program set from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 30th.

The Thunderbirds are scheduled to fly during mid-afternoon on both Wednesday, July 3 and Thursday, July 4, weather permitting.

The 24 minute fireworks

show is set for dusk on July 4th.

Skydiving by the Canadian Sky Hawks will be featured during the afternoon on July 3rd and July 4th. The Golden Knights will have performances at 6:45 p.m. on July 5, and at noon and 5:30 pm on July 6th.

Lee Greenwood's concert set for 8:15 p.m. on Friday, July 5 will be followed by a 45 minute "Balloon Illume", when the firing of balloon burners will light the Kellogg Field skyline.

Adult admission for the Championship event is \$2.00 per day. Anyone wishing to purchase the "official balloon pin", which is good for unlimited admission to the balloon event, will be able to purchase them at the Kellogg Airport site for only \$ 8.00.

Events take place at the Kellogg Regional Airport located on Helmer Road near

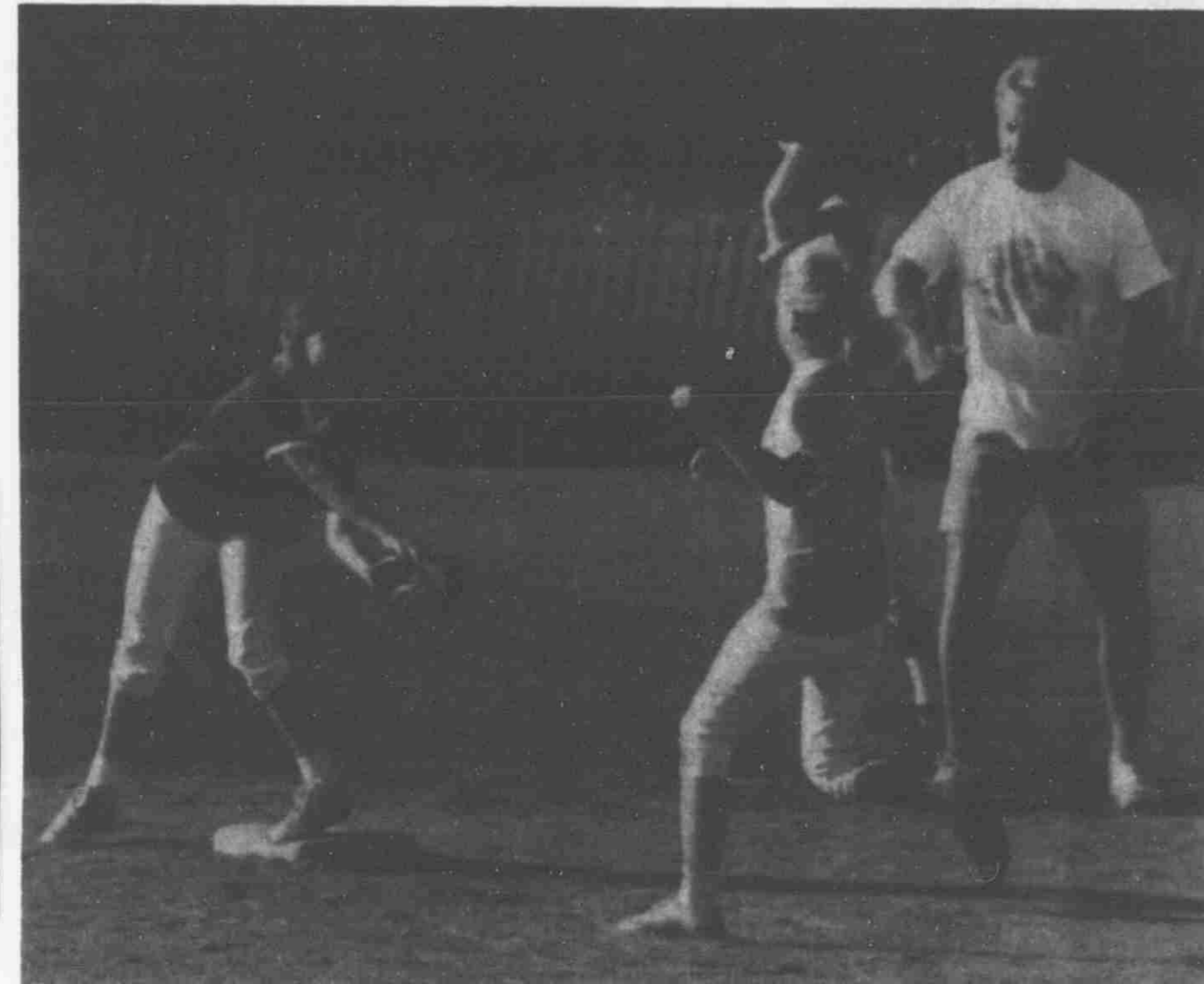


Kevin Vezino, right, inflates his hot air balloon, while his wife Mary, left, lends a hand.

Dickman Rd. on Battle Creek's Southwestside. Area travelers going to Battle Creek

should take M-37 South to Battle Creek, then follow Helmer Road to the airport.

For additional info or specific event details, call 616-962-0592.



## Moose girls win tourney crown

Moose girls win League tournament with a 10-9 victory over Alto Lionettes.

## THANK YOU!

Bruce and Marie Munroe of 1470 Carol Lynne would like to thank the Lowell Fire, Police and Rescue Units, as well as the Ada Fire Department, for their prompt and professional response to a fire that destroyed our garage, Wed., June 18. Their efforts saved our home.

Again, Thank You!

## LITTLE LEAGUE RESULTS

### BOYS MINORS - TEAM STANDINGS

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Bernard's	9	2	.818	
Superior Furn.	8	2	.800	1/2
Lowell Graphics	4	6	.400	4 1/2
Fritt's Bait Shop	3	7	.300	5 1/2
Shady Acres	2	9	.181	7

### Game Results

Monday, June 17, 1991

Bernard's True Value 10 - Fritt's 8

Lowell Graphics 11 - Shady Acres 6

Wednesday, June 19, 1991

Bernard's 15 - Shady Acres 6

Superior Furniture 14 - Fritt's Bait Shop 13

### BOYS MAJORS - FINAL TEAM STANDINGS

Central States	12	2	.857
Root-Lowell	8	5	.615
Lowell Ledger	7	6	.538
Blinds 'R Us	5	9	.357
Elite Auto Body	5	9	.357
Alto Lions	4	10	.285

### Game Results

Tuesday, June 18, 1991

Lowell Ledger 15 - Alto Lions 8

Central States 3 - Elite Auto Body 2

Root-Lowell 10 - Blinds 'R Us 5

Thursday, June 20, 1991

Alto Lions 9 - Elite Auto Body 7

Blinds 'R Us 4 - Lowell Ledger 3 (7 innings)

Central States 6 - Root-Lowell 2

Congratulations to Central States, the 1991 Boys' Majors league champs. Great job, boys.

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# TOWN TALK

Do you think the Lowell Showboat setup for this year has been any better, worse, or the same?



Jim Doyle

I believe all the added attractions have helped to give the week a festival atmosphere. The other events help to bring more people out. I think the board made a move in the right direction by making the amateur acts a pre-show. People were filing out of the Showboat on Thursday at 10:30. I think people like that. Last year it was 11:30 or so before the shows ended.



Lisa Blumberg

Yes. I think it will help attract more people. The carnival is a good idea, but its location should be at the fairgrounds. The talent selected for this year was okay, but I'd like to see younger people's music. The parade was much longer than it has been.



Arlene Stark

I like the changes that have been made. Now kids can enjoy Showboat weekend too. The shows are mainly for adults, so having the clown, parade, carnival and the Simpsons's matinees gives the children something to enjoy. I still like the amateur talent idea. My Grandma used to be Mammy years ago on the Showboat and my Grandpa was a black faced endman. I enjoyed that part of Showboat.



Vic Everlove

It's been 22 years since I attended the Showboat. I just recently moved back from California. I've bought some tickets and will attend the Showboat this year. I always like it trying to expand. The carnival is a good idea as long as it doesn't interfere with the show. I've seen Wayne Newton maybe 20 times in Las Vegas. He probably puts on the best show in the world.



Hazel Strouse

Yes. It gives people more to look forward to. The Showboat should draw more people into town, especially children. I really like the choice of Wayne Newton.



Laura King

Yes. My boy, Brandon really likes the carnival and is excited about seeing the Simpsons. I think it is a good idea to have events for children.



Norm Holmes

Compared to what it was, I think the setup is better. I'm glad the parade was longer. It was more of a parade. A lot of little kids looked forward to the carnival and Simpsons. I took all my grandchildren.



Diana Bittrick

Gary Puckett was excellent. I do like the added variety this year. I like the carnival idea, but I'm not sure its location is the best spot. I think it takes away from the parking. The parade was very good this year. It was longer than I thought it would be.

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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 EACH MONTH:** The South Kent 4-H group regular meetings at 7 p.m. in the Alto Elementary School cafeteria.

**2ND AND 4TH MONDAY NIGHTS:** Men's Life Bible study group will meet at Calvary Christian Reformed Church in the Narthex. All men in the community are welcome. Call 897-6215 or 897-7555 for more information.

**SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH:** The Lowell Area Schools Board of Education meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Board of Education office located in the Middle School, 12685 Foreman Road.

**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 1ST & 3RD TUESDAY:** Lowell Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Look Memorial Fire Station, South Hudson, Lowell.

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

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

**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.

**TUESDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly:** #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.

**THIRD TUESDAY EVENING:** Ladies Joy Fellowship. Various topics and

special speakers. For more info call Lowell Assembly of God at 897-7047.

**2ND WEDNESDAY:** Men's breakfast at Lowell Senior Center, 314 S. Hudson St. Call 897-5949 for reservations.

**EVERY FIRST WEDNESDAY:** Lowell Area Jaycees meet at 7 p.m. at the Lowell City Hall. New members welcomed. Membership 21-39 years of age. Leadership training through community involvement.

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

**FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH:** The Bowne Township Historical Society will hold regular meetings at the Old Township Hall, at Bowne first Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. No December meeting.

**EVERY SECOND THURSDAY:** Lowell VFW Auxiliary No. 8303 meets at 3:30 p.m. at the VFW Post, 307 W. Main Street, Lowell.

**THURSDAYS - Take Off**

**Pounds Sensibly:** #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. to 9:00 a.m.

**EVERY THIRD SATURDAY:** Men's Breakfast 8 a.m. at Lowell Assembly of God, 3050 Alden Nash, just south of town). Special speaker and good food. For more info call 897-7047.

**EVERY SUNDAY EVENING:** Royal Rangers for the boys. Missionettes for the girls for kids kindergarten and up. Christ Ambassadors for the youth (7 thru 12 grades) Christian Clubs to help our children grow through the means of achievement programs, special activities, crafts, and basic moral learning. For more info, call Lowell Assembly of God at 897-7047.

**EVERY SUNDAY:** Singles dance featuring "Touch of Class." 50's and 60's music. Cost \$5. Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, 5700 28th St., Grand Rapids. I-96 at 28th St. then east 2 blocks.

**EVERY THIRD SUNDAY:** The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse at 18841 Potters Rd. A potluck is at 12:30 p.m. with business meeting following. New members and guests are welcome.

**QUA-KE-ZIK Sportsmen's Club:** meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the Club building at 1400 Foreman Road, Lowell.

**WOMEN OF THE MOOSE:** - Business meeting is held the third Monday of each month, at 8 p.m.

**LOWELL AREA ARTS COUNCIL:** 149 S. Hudson St. Hours: Monday thru Friday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Closed holidays. Phone 897-8545.

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**MUSEUM NOW OPEN:** Admission is free to the Fallasburg Schoolhouse Museum - Across the Covered Bridge from Fallasburg Park, 1 to 5 p.m. Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays. 4 miles north of Lowell in eastern Kent County.

**SAT. & SUN., JUNE 29 & 30:** St. Patrick's Parnell Festival. Games, music,

chicken barbecue and more.

**THURS., JULY 11 (Note: Date change):** Vergennes Cooperative Club meets at Eleanor Kropf's cottage on Murray Lake for a picnic and auction. Bring dish to pass and three unwrapped items for auction. Dessert, beverage and tableware will be furnished.

**THURS., JUNE 27 - Hooker Chapter, Royal Arch Masons:** will hold their next Stated Convocation at 7:30 p.m. in the Lowell Masonic Temple. Refreshments follow the meeting.

**THURS., JUNE 27 - Past Matrons Cyclamen Chapter No. 94 O.E.S.:** will meet at the home of Doris Boyd at 7 p.m.

**WED., JULY 3 - Alzheimer's Support group:** meets at 1:30 p.m. at Lowell Medical Care Center and the evening group meets at 6:30 p.m. at Cumberland Retirement Village. Contact (616) 458-3392 or 1-800-722-2516 for more information.



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# Knights of Columbus crown 12 area teams champions!

Go figure, it's its third annual Knights of Columbus Showboat Hoops three-on-three basketball tournament, the host was whistled for delay of game.

Saturday afternoon's halt in play had nothing to do with time running out, instead it was the wet, inclement weather.

After morning and afternoon showers, play was stopped at 3 p.m. on Saturday and started back up at 8 a.m. Sunday morning.

"The effort and cooperation by tournament officials and players on Sunday was super," said Knights of Columbus spokesman, Larry Mikulski. "With the inclement weather we played eight hours of basketball within a four-hour period."

The Knights of Columbus Showboat Hoops tournament crowned 12 team champions, following double-elimination (boys) and round-robin (girls) tournament play. The last game was completed at roughly 5:30 p.m. Sunday.

The tournament field was 106 teams strong "Obviously we would have liked better weather on Saturday. The delay back-logged games and made Sunday interesting," Mikulski said.

In girls' round-robin championship play on Court B-1, Backboard Babes defeated Fantastic Four. Presented with first-place trophies in the 13-14 year old girls division were Kerry Nugent, Melissa Beute, Kortney Gowen and Krista Posthumus. Members of the Fantastic Four squad included Tammy Stauffer, Courtney Arnett, Katie Hayward, and Alison Kissingier.

In the girls' 12 and under division, Street Sweeper defeated Lethal Weapon, 10-2. Members of the championship team are Shannon Griffith, Julie Norman, Carolyn Bowen and Sheila Doyle.

Members of Lethal Weapon were Emily Dunn, Kari Maddux, Linnea Lamoreaux and Sarah Jannenga.

In boys' 11 and under championship action on Court A, Joel Hofstra, Tom Hurst, Ryan Eisentrager and John Feenstra of Kettle Lake defeated Blinds 'R Us Jason Ferguson, Andy Inbody, Tim

VanLaan and Steve VanLaan, 15-13.

On Court C, Ball Park Franks defeated No More Joiners II. Members of the winning team are David

On Court G, Mo Better Moves defeated Lights Out 20-16.

Playing for Mo Better Moves were Mike Shifferd, Clyde Conley, Duane Jones

Enough were Chris Byrne, Pat Heffron, Chad Dunn and Cameron.

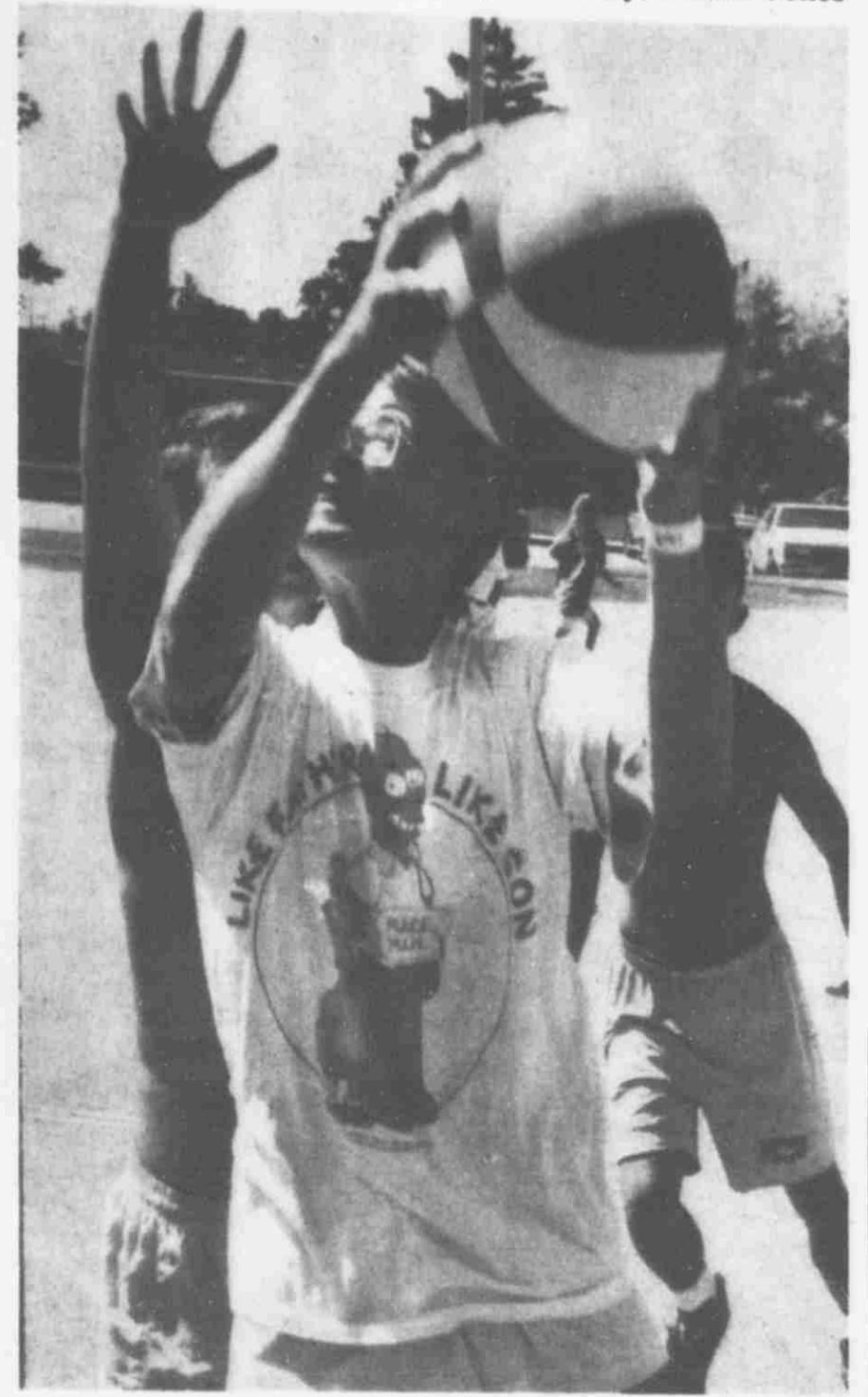
On Court I-2, Good Bad Ugly and Me earned a 21-19 win in the championship game against Warfield.

Members of the winning team were Doug Ybema, Doug Thaler, Ed Colburn and Mike VanAntwerp.

Members of the Warfield team included Lee Coy Cancler, Lawrence Cleaveland, and Roderic Warfield.

Major sponsors of the Knights of Columbus Showboat Three-on-Three basketball tournament for 1991 were Family Fare and Little Caesar's.

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Lowell Showboat Hoops crowned 12 champions on Sunday.

Forsyth, Jeff Stewart, Brandon Dion and Mike Gilpin. Members of the second-place squad are Matt Breslin, Andy Smith, Ben Ottenweller and Jack Livingston.

On Court D, P.H.D. Crew defeated Final Four 20-7. The winning team was made up of Nathan Smalley, Luther Davis, Dante Sims and Quinn Adams.

Members of the Final Four squad were B.J. Barber, Steve Bosserd, Chris Goggins and Jason Ruge.

On Court F, Attwood won the championship 20-11. Members of the winning team include Steve Morgan, Tim McKinney, Shawn McKinney and Doug Mascho.

and Reggie Battle. In a losing effort Lights Out members were Tim Weststrate, Don Reagan, Brent Noskey, Jerry Bellah.

In overtime, Supreme Team edged past The Time on Court H, 23-21. Members of the championship team are Brant Erbentraut, Adrain Schuster, Joe Minier and Rob Kennedy.

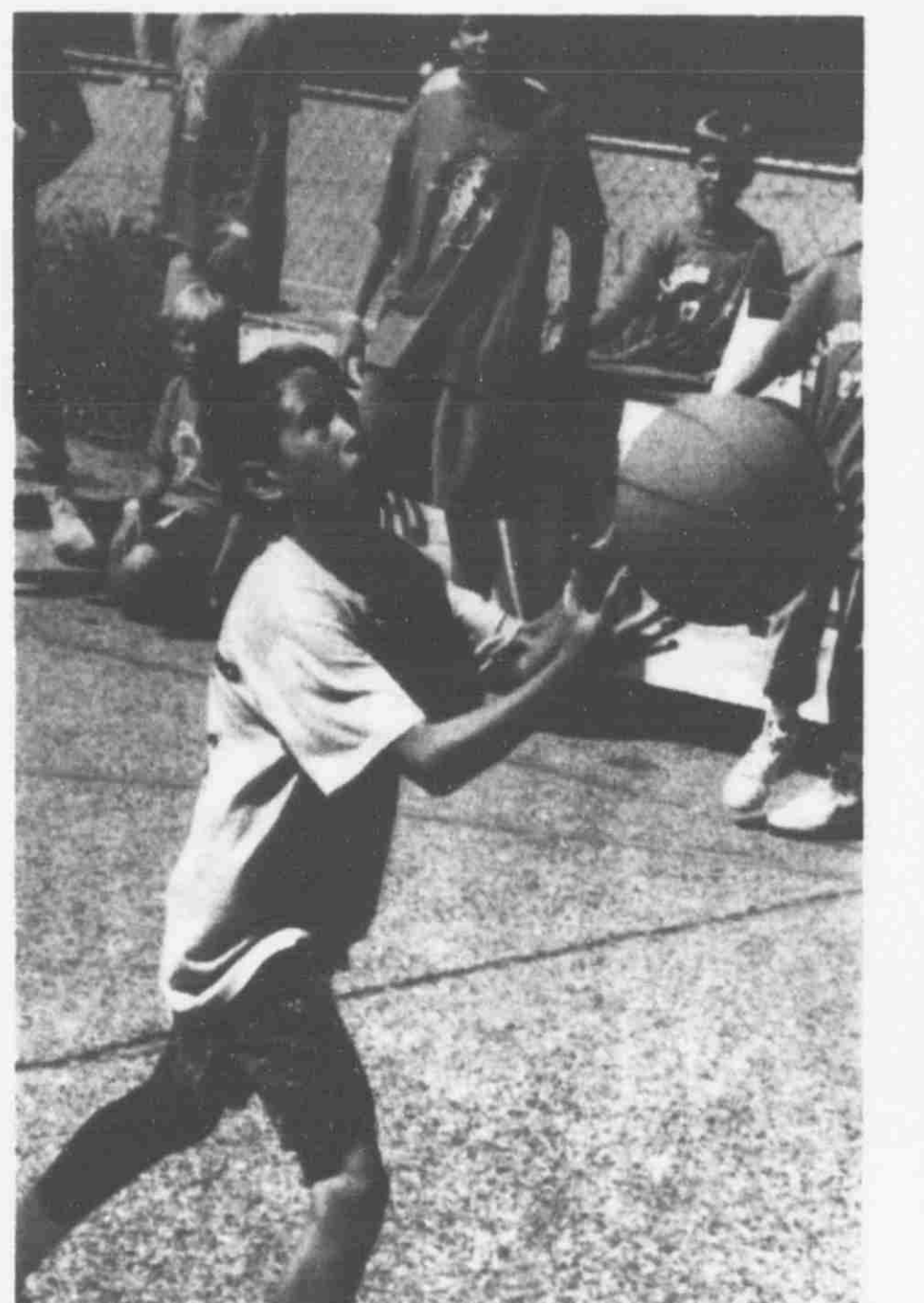
Runners-up were Ryan White, George Ponchaud, Jim Young, and Steve Stepek.

Andy Metcalf, George Young, Loran Davis and Ricky Drew of The O-B Crew earned a highly contested 20-18 win over We've Had Enough on Court I-1.

Members of We've Had



This young lad drives inside amongst the big boys in Hoop action Sunday.



Hoopsters look on as this young man got set to release a shot.

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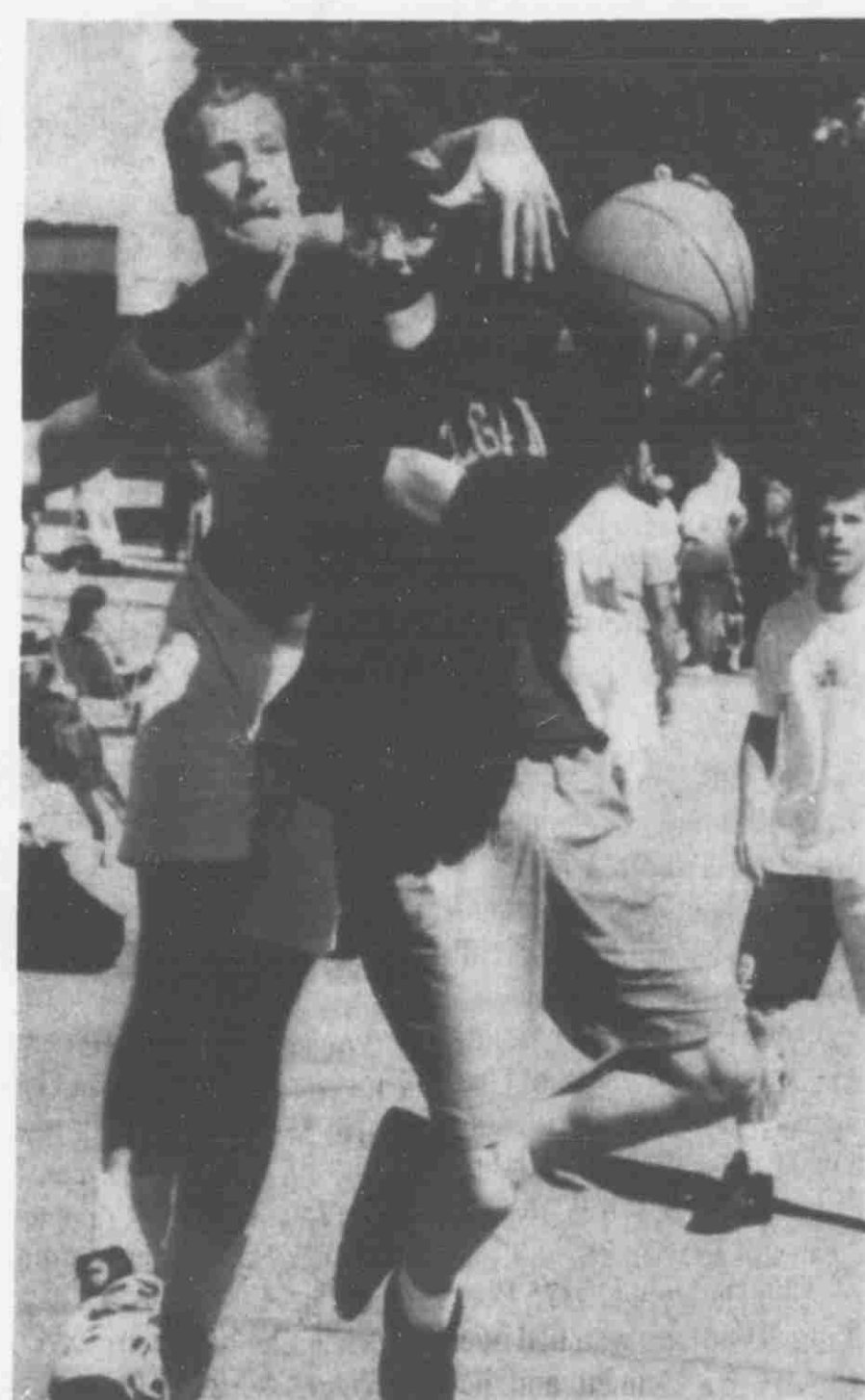
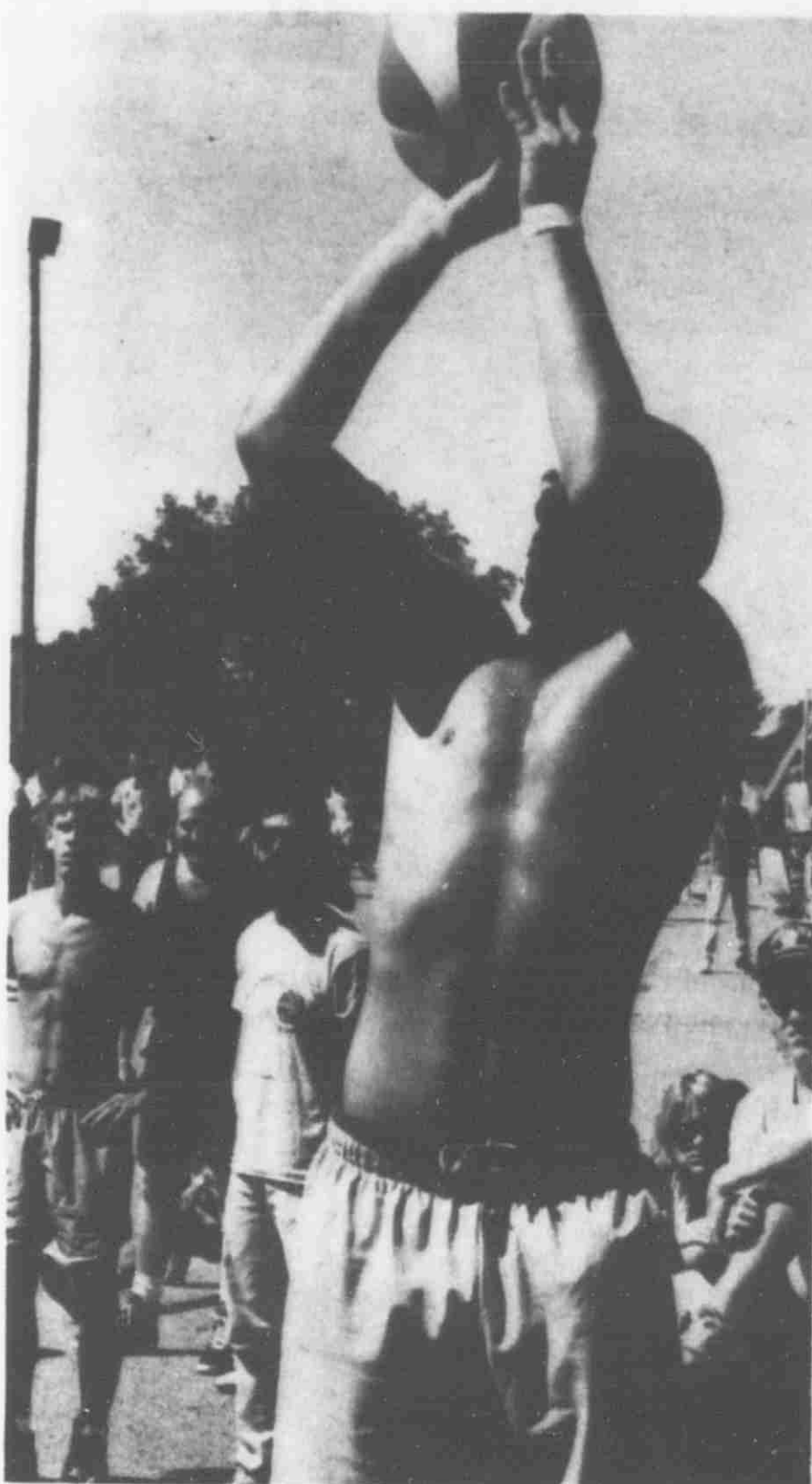
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# Sunday sunshine lifts Showboat Hoops through tourney



A little hoop de-scoop leaves the defender reaching in over the top.



106 teams participate in the third annual Showboat Hoops Classic.

Rain on Saturday forced Hoops officials to run the majority of the tournament on Sunday.



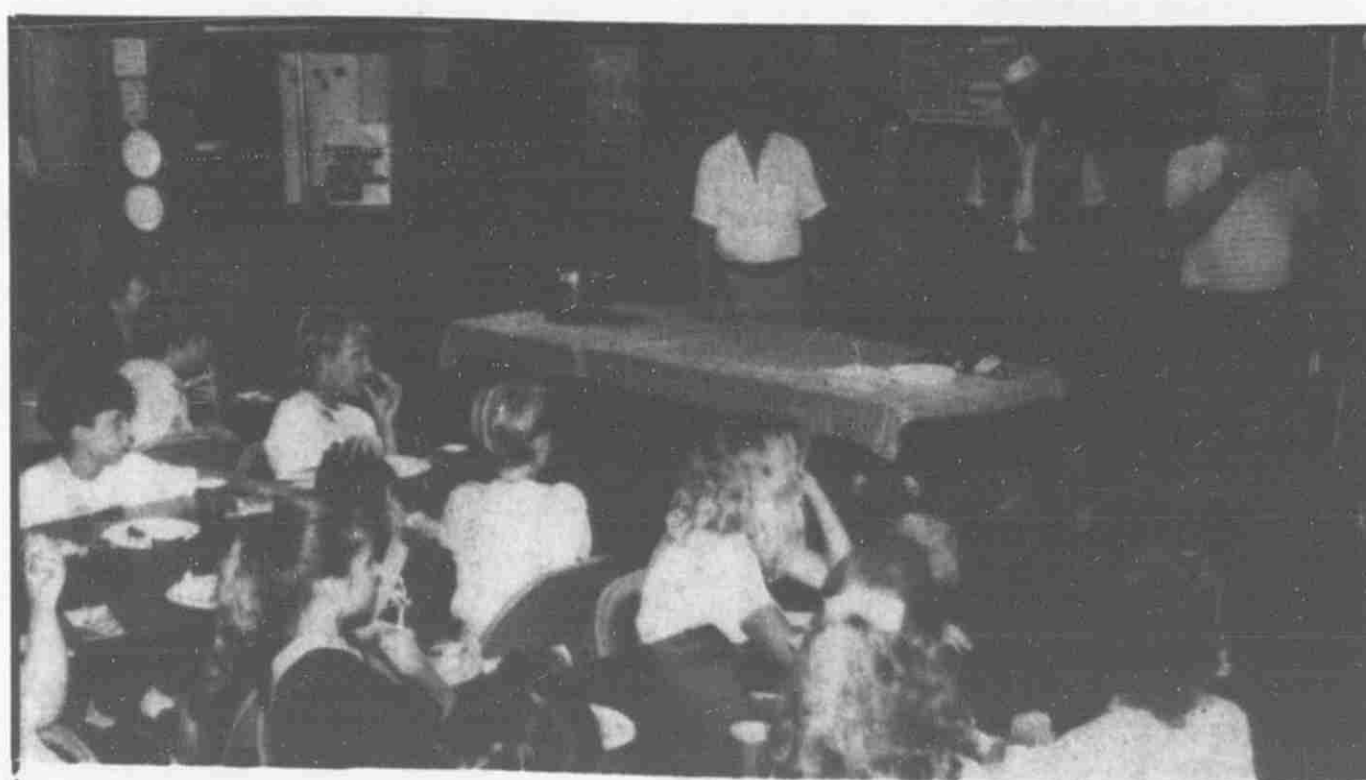
Should I shoot or should I drive, that's the question.



No shot went uncontested in play on Sunday.



A hand in the face isn't going to stop this man from driving to the basket.



## VFW serves pizza to Safety Patrol

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# Five generations of Haneys Grandma's House - The sights & sounds of family unity

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For Carol Bennett Stone and Nancy Bennett Haynes those are loving memories of their childhood visits to Grandma and Grandpa's house.

Memories that are only matched by the loving values that Viola and Clarence Haneys have helped pass on to five generations of family.

"Grandma also told us when we started having our own families that you can't put old heads on young shoulders. We've tried to remember that as we've raised our children," Carol said with a nod of agreement from Nancy.

Stone and Haynes have a third sister, Lorri Bennett, and two brothers, Kevin and David Bennett.

The five children of Theodore and Margaret Bennett share more than just a last name. Each were given the middle name of Lee. "I couldn't give it to one of my children without giving it to

the others," Margaret Bennett said. "I still do it. When I find special things that I like, I get them for everyone."

Bennett says the key to her family being a loving, close-knit group is that she always put her children first. "I always considered and tried to do what they wanted. Now that we're all older, my children are here for me whenever I need something."

Nancy added that religion has played an important part in keeping the five generations of family together. "We were all raised Christians and went to church. I really believe that helped keep us and bring us together," Nancy said. "Carol's daughter, Wendy, and my daughter, Kimberly are always calling one another. One lives in Spring Lake and the other lives in Jefferson City, Tennessee."

Carol points to two nearly fatal family mishaps in the mid 70's as family unity pillars. "My brother, Kevin was shot and nearly killed in 1976, while my brother, David fell 70 feet in 1977 and was nearly killed. Both spent a time in intensive care. That brought us together even more."

There are two sets of five generations that start with Viola and Clarence Haneys.

One five generation family (all girls) tree branches out like this: Clarence and Viola Haneys - their daughter, Margaret Bennett Haneys - her daughter, Carol Bennett Stone - Stone's daughter, Wendy Stone Potts - and Potts' little girl, Kristen Potts.

The second five generation family tree branches out like this:

Clarence and Viola Haneys - their daughter, Margaret Bennett Haneys - her daughter, Nancy Bennett Haynes - Haynes' son, Scott Strickler - and Strickler's little boy, Keith William Bruce Strickler.

Viola and Clarence Haneys are 83 and 89-years old respectively. Carol adds, both are still very sharp minded. As if on cue, Viola inserts, "I'm not 83, I'm 38."

The Haneys' (10375 Peck Lake Road) are watched over closely by Bennett and her sister, Marian Witherell.

"In big families, there's more of a responsibility to care for one another," Bennett said. The Bennetts have been married 48 years. "Theodore al-



The second set of five generations of Haneys are, left to right Margaret Bennett, Clarence Haneys, Viola Haneys, Wendy Potts and her daughter, Kristen Potts, and Carol Stone.

ways tells me that I married his Harley Davidson not him. I did love that bike." Like mother like daughter, Nancy also enjoys riding on a bike. "The only difference is, Mom used to drive hers, too. I just ride."

While Carol and Nancy agreed, neither had more than three children. "I was raising kids in the mid 60's. That's

when there was a push for zero population growth. That, and I wanted just two kids," Carol said. "I think parents who raised children in the 60's and 70's had to protect their children from more than when Mom and Dad raised a family."

Both Carol and Nancy and their children (Wendy and Scott) claim they really didn't

have run-ins with their parents. "My biggest run-in was with Nancy because she wouldn't keep her room clean," Carol said.

Nancy adds, "The biggest run-in Scott and I ever had was for him to keep his stairs clean."

Sounds like family.



There are two sets of five generations of Haneys. Pictured here from left to right are Margaret Bennett, Clarence Haneys, Viola Haneys, Nancy Haynes, Scott Strickler and his son, Keith.

Presenting five generations of the Haneys family, from left to right, sitting are: Margaret Bennett, Clarence Haneys, Viola Haneys, Nancy Haynes and Carol Stone. Standing, left to right are Wendy Potts with her daughter, Kristen, and Scott Strickler with his son Keith.

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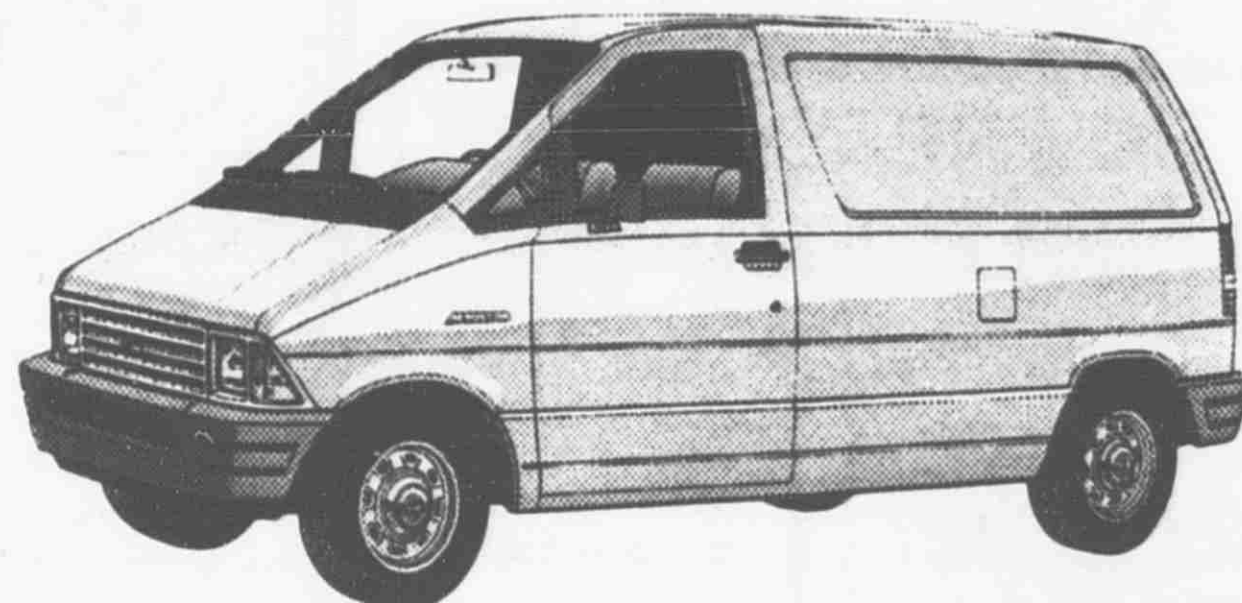


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The Calvary Church will salute the men and women of Desert Storm in a musical celebration of freedom.

This colorful two-hour production, called "Star Spangled America," will feature a cast of over 300 musicians, singers and dramatic performers. It is a heartwarming and fitting tribute to all the

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The Calvary Church will bring historic moments and national heroes to life while the red, white and blue revue, serves as a reminder to all of us, how privileged we are to live "free" in America.

From the opening moments of the Star Spangled Banner, and the Armed Forces salute, to a glorious grand finale of "Liberty," the Calvary Church's patriotic show of

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A morbid fear of peanut butter sticking to the roof of your mouth is known as arachibutyrophobia, a word you could never say with peanut butter sticking to the roof of your mouth.



Patty Elzinga, left, of Heidi Christine's, presents Brenda Clark with a check for \$614 from its cut-a-thon for Tammy Huisman.

## Local Huisman Fund totals rise to \$36,700

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Heidi Christine's cut-a-thon for Tammy Huisman, who is battling a life-threatening bout with reoccurring breast cancer, raised \$614.

The money is being raised so that Huisman can benefit from a \$175,000-\$250,000 treatment which will include removing and storing her still healthy bone marrow to preserve it from the effects of chemotherapy treatment. The treatment would call for Huisman to be injected with mass doses of chemicals to destroy the tiny tumors that have spread throughout her torso.

Fund-raising efforts organized to date have raised \$36,700. Huisman was told before she could start under-

going treatment she would have to produce \$120,000.

Along with the three hours of haircutting, other area merchants participating were: School House Ice Cream sold hot dogs; Ada Drug Store sold jewelry; Ada Greenery sold flowers; and Dr. Chris Norman and Ada Drug provided parking space.

Patti Elzinga, of Heidi Christine's, said people wishing to make donations may still do so at her shop.

Brenda Clark, Lowell Area Jaycees, who has spearheaded the effort to raise money for Huisman, said D.C. Talk will be performing in a benefit concert at the Sunshine Christian Complex on the East Beltline July 11. Tickets for the show will be \$11. For more information you may call Clark at 897-8282.



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