

# The Lowell Ledger

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## Power-less residents find salvation and comfort from Lowell Schools and Red Cross volunteers

The storm that ripped through Lowell on July 7 left many in the Lowell area wondering if last week should have been "National Lights Out and Water Off" week.

Karen McCarthy, Consumer's Power area manager, said no, it was just

the effects of the worst storm in the company's 105-year history.

The storm shut off the electric in 335,000 homes in West Michigan. As of Friday, there were still 3,000 homes without electricity. McCarthy said the company expected to

have all of its customers back on line by the end of last Friday (July 12).

For Michael and Molly Distelrath, of 160 Bahala Dr. and their seven children, the whole ordeal went from fun, to an adventure, to not much fun at all.

"It's definitely been more stressful on Michael and me," Molly said. "The kids have done great. They seem to think it's an adventure. When the refrigerator went out and they were allowed to have ice cream for breakfast, they thought that was great fun."

Distelrath's son, Andrew said not having electricity didn't bother him until he heard it would be Sunday (a week) before they'd get their electric back.

His sister, Liza, 10-years old, said she'd be glad to have television back in the evenings. "It gets real boring in the evenings without television," she sighs.

The Distelrath family shared their trials and tribulations caused by the storm over a hot dog, potato salad, baked bean dinner at Lowell Middle School last Wednesday. The meal was prepared and served by volunteer Red Cross members.

"Having the Red Cross here serving meals is a salvation," Molly said. "Making meals and cleaning up without electricity is an all day task. By the time you heat water and wash dishes, it's time to start all over again."

Molly said the first couple of days were spent eating the food in the refrigerator. "We put dry ice in the freezer for a while, but then some friends stored the food in their freezers," she explains.

The Red Cross came to Lowell last Tuesday evening

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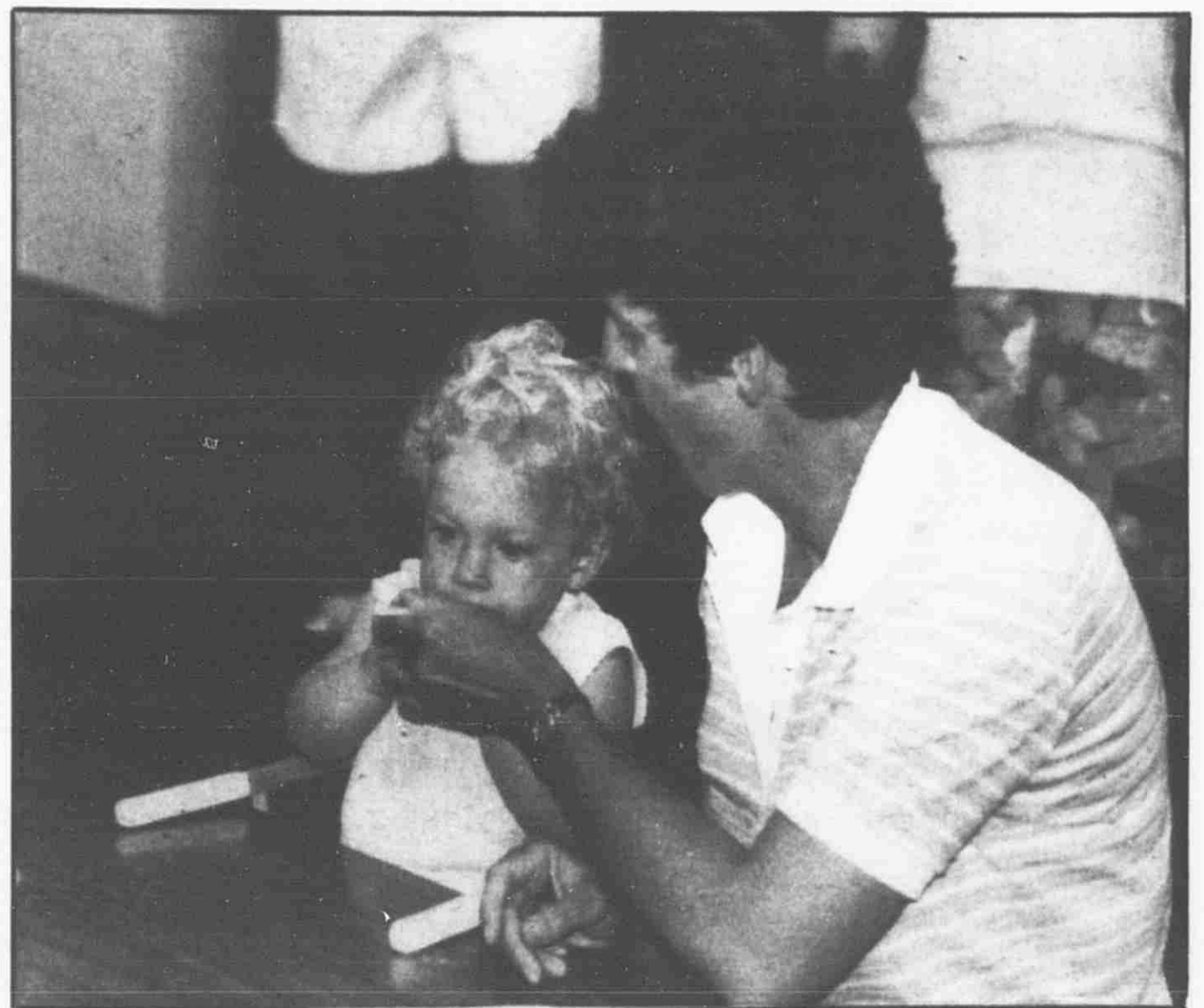
## Huisman gains enough funds to undergo intensive chemotherapy treatment

On May 8, Tammy Huisman learned she had a recurrent bout with breast cancer and in order to survive she would need some experimental treatment.

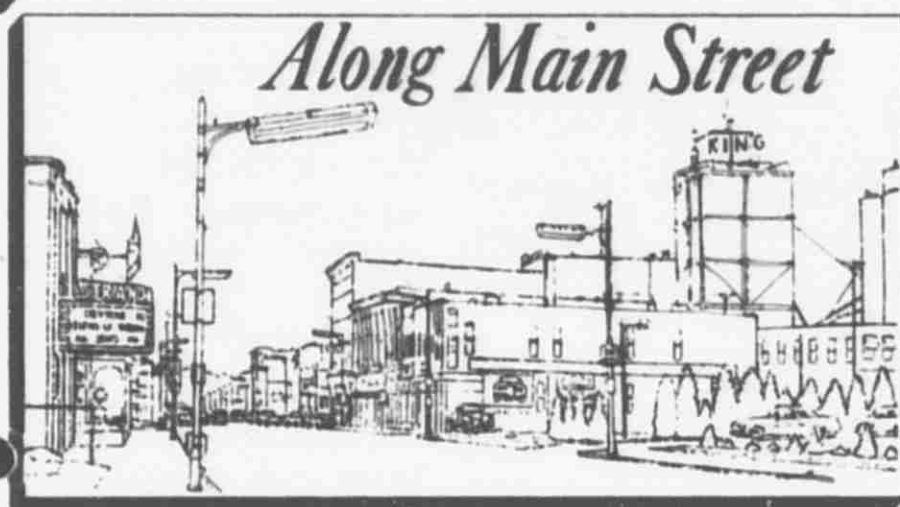
Subsequently, she also learned that her insurance company would not cover the cost of the treatment. Thus, she was also denied medical treatment until she could come up with \$100,000 of the \$160-



Meet the Distelrath family. Many families who were minus electricity took advantage of the free dinners served by the Red Cross volunteers.



Molly Distelrath feeds her baby girl, Catherine dinner at the Lowell Middle School on Wednesday. Distelrath's family of seven persevered through nearly five days without electricity.



### ALTO FALL FESTIVAL HAS OPENINGS

Openings for booths for the Alto Fall Festival to be held Sept. 7 are now available. Call 868-6742, 897-8644 or 868-6793 for information.

The Talent Contest to be held at Alto Fall Festival is now accepting applicants. There will be two classes, adult and children. Call 868-6239, 868-6742, 897-8644 or 868-6793.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

"Marketplace Ministry" First Baptist Church of Lowell, August 5-9 (Mon. - Fri.) 6:15 - 8:30 p.m. Open to all children entering kindergarten thru sixth grades.

### PRESCHOOL ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The Lowell United Methodist Preschool is now accepting applications for its 1991-92 classes.

Please call the church office, 897-5936 or Mary Dudeck, 897-5605.

### OFF THE BLOTTER

Roy Markham, 34, of Lowell collided with a semi-truck while exiting Bowes Rd. onto Hudson St. June 20. The semi was driven by Gary Rash, 44, of Ada. There were no injuries.

Bernard Kropf, 70, of Lowell failed to yield right of way at Hunt and Hudson St., July 13 and struck a pickup truck driven by a 16 year old juvenile male from Lowell. No one was hurt.

Darrell Page, 66, of Lyons and Randy Durkee, 26, of Woodland collided on South Broadway near Ottawa July 6. No one was injured.

Robert Deleon, 22, of Lowell was injured in an accident July 5 on Main and Pleasant St. when he Failed to Yield Right of Way and struck a car driven by Duane Warren, 28, of Saranac, who also sustained injuries.

Laih Marvin, 67, of Lowell turned into the path of a vehicle driven by Manohar Joshi, 17, of Grand Rapids on Main St. near Valley Vista Dr. July 9. No injuries were reported.

Bruce Schafer, 28, of Ionia was involved in an accident July 8, when he struck the rear of a car on West Main St. near Alden Nash. The other left the scene before it could be identified.

Amy Noonon, 19, of Lowell struck the rear of a car driven by Gregory Chrapek, 29, of Grand Rapids, July 11 on West Main St. near Alden Nash. Only minor property damage resulted.

David VandenBosch, 44, of Grand Rapids was arrested for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol by Lowell officers, July 12.

Arrested for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol July 9 was Keith Mueller, 60, of Lowell.

\$200,000 experimental treatment cost.

After nearly two months, Huisman was able to gain the funds through fund-raising efforts in the Lowell and surrounding Communities and through a \$55,000 personal loan.

Huisman was flown to Denver's University Hospital last Monday, and was admitted into the Hospital on

Tuesday. On Wednesday, doctors removed her healthy bone marrow, so intensive chemotherapy treatment could be started.

Brenda Clark, who helped organize the local fund-raising campaign, said the healthy bone marrow was removed so the chemotherapy treatment would not destroy it.

The intensive chemotherapy treatment was com-

pleted on Sunday. "Doctors said there is a 20 percent mortality rate during this treatment," Clark said. "So Tammy has cleared a big hurdle."

According to Clark, the bone marrow will be re-implanted in Huisman on Thursday. "For the next 6-10 weeks Tammy will be kept in isolation. Doctors said any oppor-

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tunistic virus caught by Huisman during this time could kill her."

During this time though, Huisman's body will be building back its immune system.

University Hospital in Denver is just one of 20 medical facilities in the country recognized by the American Cancer Society to perform this treatment.

Due to lack of financial funds, Huisman was turned away by the University Hospital in Omaha, Neb.; Duke University Hospital in North Carolina; and the Dana Farber Institute in Boston, Mass.

"I think what needs to be understood here, is that a person is fighting for her life and she has to expend energy to raise money first instead of on getting better," Clark said.

"Something needs to be done by the FDA so other people won't have to go through what Tammy and her family have gone through."

Clark is calling for people to get emotional and angry about the issue and to stand up with her to help create a change.

"People must realize that if enough money had not been raised, Tammy Huisman

would have been allowed to die under the current system," Clark explains.

Clark said she has been overwhelmed by the response and outpouring of people in the Lowell Community and outlying communities.

"It's a wonderful thing to see children in Little League raise \$300 for Tammy by go-

ing door-to-door collecting returnable cans and bottles," Clark said.

Clark was also touched by a phone call she received from Tammy on Monday, wishing her a happy anniversary. "It's unbelievable. With all that she is going through, to find time to call me and wish me a 'Happy Anniversary,' that's the special kind of person

Tammy is," she said. Clark emphasized that the fund-raising is not over. There will be a D.C. Talk concert at Sunshine Ministries on Friday, July 26. Tickets (\$11 each) are available through Zondervans. "Tammy's spirits are still intact and asks for the community's prayers," Clark said.

## Lowell will give crime and drugs a going away party

On August 6 the Lowell Community will join in with 23 million other Americans from thousands of cities around the U.S. for a "Going Away Party."

The affair is intended to give crime and drugs a grand send-off. This will mark the eighth annual National Night Out which is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch. Locally it will be co-sponsored by the Lowell Police Agency. This will mark the first year Lowell has participated.

"This year is kind of a grassroots-start for us," said Lowell Police officer, Jim Valentine. "Hopefully this will help people take crime and drugs from their subconscious and consciously alert them of what they should be aware of in their neighborhoods."

Valentine said on the evening of Aug. 6 from 7 until 9 p.m. All Lowell part-time and reserve policemen will be going door-to-door to hand out key chains and sharing information about neighborhood and child watch programs here in Lowell.

During this time people in the Lowell Community will also be asked to turn on their lights and go outside and meet their neighbors.

The National Night Out program is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; generate support and participation in local anti-crime efforts; strengthen neighborhood spirit and police/community relations; and send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

"On many occasions we investigate a burglary only to find out a neighbor saw something going on in the house but wasn't sure if it was a family member or a friend, so they don't call the police," Valentine said. "We want people to call the police in those type situations."

Helping Valentine with the Lowell effort are Mary Jo



Smith from FMB State Savings Bank and Alicia Depres from the Lowell Police Station.

"We're also going to have a poster contest for children aged one through six and children aged seven through

12," Smith said. "It's important that we get everyone in the community involved." Having the lights on is a symbolic and visible sign that crime and drugs are not wanted in neighborhoods.

National project coordinator Matt Peskin said, "National Night Out" is designed in part to call the nation's attention to the importance of police-community partnerships and neighborhood unity in the fight for a safer America. "The fact that National Night Out itself occupies a single calendar date is merely symbolic," he said. "It is a powerful reminder that crime prevention awareness and programs must be nurtured and sustained every day of the year."

## Lowell baseball takes 1st in division

Lowell Big League baseball team won first place in the (16-18) American League District Nine Division by a few percentage points with a 9-2 record. Members of the team include: Troy Addington, Jim Anible, Steve Brown, Kip Carpenter, Marc Denman, Rich Depew, Brad Harrall, Jon Hutfilz, Greg Jannenga, Aaron Laux, Chad Lyon, Ryan Peel, A.J. Teft, and Todd Tryon.

The team was coached by former Lowell High School player Gary Warning and

managed by Kris Kropf. Four Lowell players were selected to the All-Star team and will represent the American League in a double-elimination tournament which will be televised on Channel 23, Wyoming Park Television the week of July 20-27.

The All-Stars are Troy Addington, Rich Depew, Brad Harrall, Chad Lyon and Ryan Peel. The team will be coached by Warning and Kropf.

Games will be played at Kimball Field.

## Obituaries

**FIRLIK** - A Mass of Christian Burial for Mr. Thomas C. Firlik II, aged 35, of Greenville, was celebrated Friday at St. Patrick's Church,

Parnell. Memorial contributions may be made to Neure Intensive Care Unit for Research, c/o Blodgett Hospital.

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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 Tops #M1 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 Tops #M1 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.

**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.

**SATURDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops #M1 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. 1-96 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.

**LOWELL LIBRARY HOURS:** Open Mon. 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Wed., 12:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Fri. & Sat., 12:30 to 5:30 p.m.

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

**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.; Satur-**

days and Sundays, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Closed holidays. Phone 897-8545.

day is inviting the Past Matrons of Cyclamen Coming Events, cont'd., pg. 8

## FMB State Savings Bank

### "Employee of the Month"



Gaye Hostler

The July 1991 FMB State Savings Bank "Employee of the Month" is Gaye Hostler. Gaye has been employed at the bank since January of 1972. She currently works as an executive secretary.

Gaye lives in the Lowell area with her husband Orville. Their children are Mark and Carolyn Lessens and Jim and Teri Hostler. Gaye and Orville particularly enjoy their six grand-daughters. In fact, Gaye lists her grand-daughters among her hobbies that include reading, gardening and bowling.

About her work at FMB Gaye says, "I have enjoyed working at the bank and talking with the customers. I have also enjoyed working with all my fellow employees and have developed many friendships. My job keeps me very busy and I am interested in the many functions the bank performs."

Congratulations, July Employee of the Month, Gaye Hostler.



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### Congregational Church scene of July 6 wedding; Rivette and Davis exchange vows

Barbara Davis and Gould O. Rivette, both long-time Lowell residents were married on Saturday, July 6 in an afternoon ceremony at the First Congregational Church. They were attended by Barbara's daughter, Kimberly Hoseth, and Gould's foster son, Will Bennett, with Rev. Terry Tessari of the First Congregational Church officiating, assisted by the Rev. William Amundsen of the First United Methodist Church. A reception for relatives and friends at the First United Methodist Church followed the ceremony. After a Canadian honeymoon, Mr. and Mrs. Rivette are at home at 421 N. Washington St., Lowell.

### Happy Birthday

July 18: Helen Ford, Brett Kirby, Ron Zimmerman, Scott Southland, Dianne Scanlon, Henry Kwant.  
 July 19: Jamie Miller, Randy Johnson, Chalynn Sandy, Bob Elzinga.  
 July 20: Cara Thaler, David Thaler III, Maureen Pawloski, Beth Berry.  
 July 21: Dara Anchors, Stephanie Wade, Barbara Lucas, Jan Brandt, Joyce Roesink, Kathie Abel, Jeff Gurney.  
 July 22: Barb Jacob, Mary Ann Ayres, Eric Shear, Robin Baldwin.  
 July 23: Jim Briggs, Angie Hoffman, Kitty Dintaman,

Dave Fosburg, Nathan Swift, Roxann Seese, Carol Collins, Marcia Inman, Ida Litschewski.  
 July 24: Mike LaHaye.



### Homespun Devotions

By Pauline Spray

I will praise thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will shew forth all thy marvelous works (Psalm 9:1).  
 Mud pies! What fun they were to make! Dirt and water were mixed to the proper consistency. This mixture was poured into odds and ends of dishes we girls had accumulated in one way or another. The pies were then decorated magnificently with small stones or bits of colored glass. Burrs from the dock plant served nicely. Those creations looked wonderful to us. When the boys destroyed our efforts, we were heartbroken.  
 Buried within each of us, regardless of our age, is the urge to create—to bake pies and cakes, paint a landscape, build houses, design automobiles, ships, rockets, and satellites.  
 The first verse in the Bible speaks of God's ability to create. Because we were made after His likeness, we, too, must be creative if we are to live usefully, successfully,



Carolyn Ann Bielefeld and Thomas Keith Caldwell

and happily. We can do much to create the atmosphere in which we live. We can create happiness for ourselves and others by keeping His praise upon our lips. Praise promotes joyful living—and it is contagious.  
*Prayer:* O Lord, I will praise Thee with my whole heart. Thou hast been very gracious to me. If I had a thousand tongues to sing Thy praise, my lips could not express Thy praise sufficiently. Amen.  
 Oh for a thousand tongues to sing  
 My great Redeemer's praise,  
 The glories of my God and King,  
 The triumphs of His grace!  
 Charles Wesley

### Bielefeld and Caldwell to be wed next spring

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard J. Bielefeld of Indianapolis, Indiana, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Carolyn Ann to Thomas Keith Caldwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith L. Caldwell, 555 Foreman, Lowell.  
 The future bride and groom are 1989 graduates of the Indiana University School of Law in Indianapolis. Carolyn is an attorney with Coons & Saint in Indianapolis and Tom is an attorney in Detroit. The couple will reside in Indianapolis following a March 21, 1992 wedding.

### Area Births

Chris and Mary (Dumbeck) Page of Grand Rapids, are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Kayleigh Elizabeth, on June 30, 1991. She weighed 7 lbs. 4ozs. and was 20 inches long. Proud grandparents are Aland Betty Page of Cascade and Jim and Mary Dumbeck of Lowell. Great-Grandmother, Ila Knapp and Great-Great-Grandmother, Marion Wilson, both live in Cedar Springs.

Randy and Karen Benjamin of Saranac announce the arrival of their first baby, Kyle Raymon, who was born Tuesday, July 9, 1991 at Metropolitan Hospital in Grand Rapids. He weighed 7 lbs. and 13 ozs. and was 19 1/2 inches long. Grandparents are Jane and the late Bob Myers, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Benjamin, all of Saranac. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. S.H. Benjamin and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Green, also of Saranac.

*A tree growing out of the ground is as wonderful today as it ever was. It does not need to adopt new and startling methods.*  
 ROBERT HENRI

# Viewpoint . . .

## Thad's Thoughts

As an editor of a weekly newspaper, or any newspaper for that matter, you get a lot of requests for stories. There are also requests you don't get that you wish you would have.  
 To be perfectly honest, there are story requests that you wish were never spoken.  
 But if the newspaper is going to be successful, and in turn you're, going to be successful, it behooves you to honor as many requests as possible.  
 I think I do a pretty good job of keeping track of happenings in the Lowell area. However, it's insane to think I have a pulse

on everything that's happening.  
 Example, two weeks ago I was at a City Council meeting. During the City Manager's comments (which is my sign that the meeting is almost over), it was brought up that a local Boy Scout troop cleaned the south end of Cherry Creek of its debris.  
 I immediately turned to my Press comrad, (Juanita Westaby), and she to me, as we both checked to see if the Troop had contacted either paper (it's that fear of being scooped). Neither one of us was contacted, unfortunately. It would have made for a good feature story and some great pictures.  
 The north end of Cherry Creek is also scheduled to be cleaned of debris by another Scout troop. If you're associated with that troop and reading this column, and you know when and where, call me.  
 It was roughly two weeks ago a gentleman walked into the office one late afternoon with a story idea. He was wondering if I'd agree to write a feature on some friends coming into town in a couple of weeks. I listened and soon realized the gentleman had done some leg work in trying to set up a story. It sounded like a good feature story with a local angle.  
 The interview was fun and I enjoyed talking to the gentlemen. I was happy that I had garnered a feature story with a local angle. Readers love these type of stories.  
 The feature, the local angle and my excitement about the story was shattered the next day when I saw an exact same story splattered all over the front page of the Press.  
 In setting up the interview, I never envisioned that he'd go to the Press with the story before it was printed in the local paper. Once again I was bitten by one of the five commandments in newspaper reporting which states "assume nothing."  
 I guess that was supposed to be the point of the stories, don't assume anything. If something is happening and you think it's newsworthy, call me. But the chances are better that I'll show up if I know ahead of time and not after the fact.  
 And the next time someone walks in off the street with a good local feature story, I'll be sure to ask if and when are they going to the Press with it.




### Ledger Entries of 100, 75, 50 and 25 Years Ago

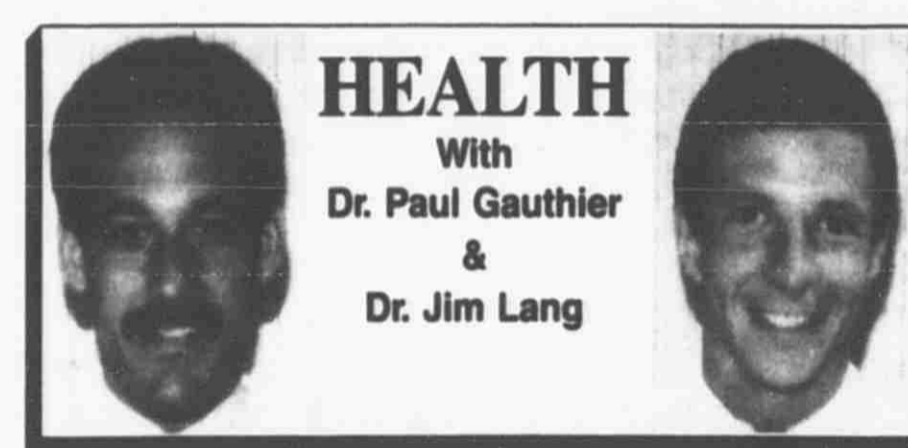
**100 YEARS AGO IN THE JOURNAL - July 15, 1891**  
 The shute just below the dam is popular both with young swimmers and with onlookers.  
 The new half-mile track at the fairground is nearly complete.  
 A drunk driver asleep on his wagon is instantly killed by a train.

Lowell Grocery Co. has Wisner, King Milling and Grand Rapids Celebrated brands of flour.  
 Haying, corn cultivating and harvesting have come together this season, keeping the modern machinery just as busy and hard on the farmers as the scythe and cradle days.  
**75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JULY 13, 1916**  
 Col. Theodore Roosevelt has offered to raise a division of 12,000 picked men for the coming war with Mexico, provided he is promoted to general.  
 D.G. Look says that the road from Grand Rapids through the hills to Cedar Springs is in fine shape, except for within the city limits of Cedar Springs. County prison labor has been used to good advantage.  
 After smallpox and typhoid immunization the 31st Michigan National Guard arrives in the hot sun of El Paso, Texas, ready for a war with Mexico, if it takes place.  
 The German U-Boat Deutschland, the first submarine "merchantman" evades British warships and docks at Norfolk with a load of dyestuffs, mail and a message to President Wilson.  
 An infantile paralysis epidemic threatens New York City's babies.  
**50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JULY 17, 1941**  
 Showboat Chairman Norm Borgerson announces that Lt. Commander Eddie Peabody will fly here daily

from Chicago to be back on the show.  
 Elmer Ellis takes over the east side DX service station from Hollis Andrews.  
 Former big-league baseball player Raymond Russell reports a large black bear on the Lee Lamplin farm, where he was wedding oners.  
 The first test well of several will be started at the foot of Peck's Hill in the attempt to obtain a salt free water supply.  
 Henry Ford's two camps for underprivileged sons of veterans produce food as well as training in farm practices.  
**25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JULY 14, 1966**  
 The parking lot on the old Forest Mill site should be finished by Showboat week. A mill stone will be set in the sidewalk at the entrance, and an old water wheel at the end of the entrance walk, with a plaque describing the history.  
 The special Showboat postal cancellation is receiving requests from all over the country.  
 A No vote in June, 1965 on financing school additions will cost the district at least \$100,000 in increased costs.  
 A Yes vote in Jan., 1966 resulted in bids much higher than architects' estimates.  
 A drunk and disorderly man smashes and rips signs, plantings and equipment along Main Street; outside help is needed by police to stop the man.

## AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

<b>ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH</b> 7227 Thomapple 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. WE INVITE YOU TO MAKE THIS COMMUNITY CHURCH YOUR CHURCH HOME. WELCOME TO ALL.	<b>BETHANY BIBLE CHURCH</b> 3900 East Fuller REV. RAYMOND E. BEFUS Morning Worship 9:50 A.M. (Broadcast 10 A.M. WMAX 147D) Sunday School 11:15 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Wednesday Service 7:30 P.M.	 <b>CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE OF LOWELL</b> 201 North Washington Street REV. JIM GELDHOF Church School 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Wednesday Mid-Week Service 7:00 P.M. Nursery-Care & Worship With Us.	<b>CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE OF LOWELL</b> 201 North Washington Street REV. JIM GELDHOF Church School 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Wednesday Mid-Week Service 7:00 P.M. Nursery-Care & Worship With Us.
<b>CORNERSTONE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> Meeting at the Lowell Middle School (12675 Foreman) Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 A.M. And Children's Activities 10:00 A.M. Midweek Bible Studies and Youth Groups LISTENING AND HELPING 897-0077	<b>DAY BIBLE CHAPEL</b> Bible Believing - Non Denominational 9035 Centerline, Saranac, MI Worship Service 10:00 A.M. PASTOR FRANK LATTIMORE 942-3868	<b>CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> REV. CARL J. REITSMA - 897-9836 1151 West Main Street, Lowell, MI Morning Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:20 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Nursery available at both services Barrier Free	<b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> 2275 West Main Street Sunday School 9:45 A.M. Sunday Worship Services 11:00 A.M. & 6:00 P.M. Awana - Wednesday 6:30 P.M. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 P.M. JOE GERKIN, PASTOR 897-0017 Dan Nave, Youth Director 897-6737
<b>ALTON BIBLE CHURCH</b> Lincoln Lake Ave. at 3 Mile Road Sunday School 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening Praise 6:00 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!	<b>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> (United Church of Christ) 404 North Hudson 897-5906 Worship and Church School 10:00 A.M. Rev. Terry Tessari Pastor Eleanor Martin Director of Education Roger MacNaughton Director of Music Barrier-Free Nursery Provided	<b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> 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	<b>FRIENDSHIP COUNTRY CHAPEL</b> 10200 Grand River Ave Sunday Services 10:30 A.M. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 P.M. BOB ROUSH, PASTOR 897-7489
<b>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 10305 Bluewater Highway Morning Worship 10:00 A.M. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:00 A.M. JOSEPH FREMER, PASTOR 897-8307	 <b>EVERGREEN MISSIONARY CHURCH</b> 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 Praise - Wed. 7:30 P.M. GLENN H. MARKS - Senior Pastor 897-9110 STAN GERIG - Associate Pastor 897-5894 ALL ARE WELCOME! (Barrier Free)	<b>ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> 402 N. Amity MSGNR. JAMES MORAN MASSES Saturday Mass 5:30 P.M. Sunday Masses 9:00 & 11:00 A.M.	



### HEALTH With Dr. Paul Gauthier & Dr. Jim Lang

**IRRITABLE BOWEL SYNDROME**  
 The irritable bowel syndrome (A.K.A. spastic colon, irritable colon, spastic colitis) is a chronic abdominal disorder which causes belly pain, cramping, bloating, and a change in bowel habits. Typically there is alternating constipation and diarrhea, although only one or the other may be consistently present. Mucous passed with the stool is another common finding with irritable bowel syndrome (IBS), as are flatus and the urge to have a bowel movement.  
 Estimates are that up to 30 percent of the general population will seek medical attention. Many times the affected individual will seek medical care due to a fear of having colon cancer.  
 We do not really know the true cause of IBS. In many instances there tends to be an emotional or stress related component to the disease. Its symptoms may worsen when there is a particularly stressful time in the life of an IBS patient. Additionally, the IBS patient may suffer from concurrent lactose intolerance, which makes dietary restriction and modifications even more difficult.  
 IBS is a benign disorder. That is, it is not life threatening or associated with an increased risk of cancer or terminal illness.  
 Treatment begins with dietary modification. Gas producing vegetables and fruits should be avoided (ie: cabbage, beans, cauliflower). Dairy products should be restricted if

there is a likelihood of lactose intolerance. Increasing the bulk in the diet with bran and other whole grains reduces constipation and may aid in decreasing bloating and spasm of the bowel. Caffeine is a bowel stimulant and should also be avoided.  
 If natural therapy with dietary restriction does not meet

with satisfactory result, then medication to specifically reduce spasm in the colon are indicated.  
 While IBS is benign it is nevertheless troubling and unsettling to the affected individual. Hopefully, diet and occasional use of medication can adequately control its symptoms.

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor and the Lowell Community,  
 Both of my children have graduated from the Lowell Schools. Not only have they received a high quality education, but the personal values I sought to instill were also reinforced by teachers, coaches, and administrators. I am proud to have raised my children in Lowell and am grateful for the numerous positive opportunities the schools have provided them.  
 Recently, many decisions made by the School Board and Administration have been questioned and challenged. We are privileged to live in a society that allows us to express our opinions through

elections, media and forums such as the School Board meetings. Even though not all of the Board's decisions are favorable to our personal point of view, we have the right to express our opinions concerning those decisions. Unfortunately, many recent criticisms of our school officials have been undeservedly vicious and inappropriate.  
 Now that a court decision has been reached concerning the land use for a new high school, it's time for our community to dedicate it's full support to our school district by making education a priority. We know our district is rapidly growing and we have already expressed our support with the passage of a bond issue to build a new school and renovate existing buildings. Our school also needs operational millage and equally important, the support of the community, especially parents, to help them achieve the highest levels of educational success.  
 Instead of working to destroy a wonderful school district, we should all be working together to build the best possible educational system our community can provide. Our children and future of Lowell deserve our support.  
 Sincerely,  
 Susan Burt



# High school sweethearts celebrate March wedding

They met in study hall in 1956. She was a freshman, he a junior. They dated for two years and then drifted apart when he went away to college. In the next 32 years they both married, raised a family and divorced. They met again in August of 1990 at the Lowell High School reunion. This time they dated long distance between Arizona and California, then married on March 9, 1991.

Jim White, senior class president in 1958 and Barbara Bain, class of 1960, were married at Nova-Ro II Commons Building by Don Rayment, pastor emeritus of the Presbyterian Church in Novato, CA.

The witnesses were Dorothy Bain, the bride's sister of Wausau, WI and Robert White, the groom's brother of Novato.

The groom is the son of Hester White, also of Novato. Following the reception, the couple took a two day wedding trip to Gualala. They reside in Eureka.

Classmates Sandy Bozung Forschler, class of 1958 and Barbara Kelley Bocaleoni, class of 1957, also attended the ceremony.



Mr. and Mrs. Jim White



An elephant's trunk has about 40,000 muscles.



Janet Kathleen Francis and Loren D. Conklin

## Francis and Conklin engagement announced

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Francis, of Lowell are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Janet Kathleen, to Loren D. Conklin of Belmont.

Conklin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Conklin of DeWitt.

The bride-elect is a 1990 graduate of East Kentwood High School. She is presently attending nursing school at Grand Rapids Education Center.

The future groom is a graduate of St. John's High School and is employed by the United States Post Office in Greenville.

Plans are made for an August 17 wedding at St. Mary's, Lowell.

## GRCC offers seminar on college survival

Grand Rapids Community College is offering to students who plan to attend college this fall a chance to learn how to push the odds in their favor. A special seminar SURVIVAL IN COLLEGE: PUSH THE ODDS IN YOUR

FAVOR is being sponsored by the college on Monday, August 12 and Tuesday, August 13. Two sessions will be offered: 8 a.m. to 12 noon or 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. each day. Topics to be covered in the seminar include: listening and

notetaking skills, stress management, concentration and memory, time management, mastering the text, goal setting, and studying for and taking exams.

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# Lowell City Council Proceedings

### OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL

For the Regular Meeting of Monday, July 1, 1991.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Maatman and the Clerk called the Roll.

Present: Councilmembers Doyle, Fonger, Thompson, Hodges and Mayor Maatman.  
Absent: None.

IT WAS MOVED by Hodges and seconded by Doyle that the minutes of the June 17, 1991 meeting be approved as written.

YEA: 5  
NAY: 0  
ABSENT: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED by Hodges and seconded by Doyle that the minutes of the Closed Session of June 17, 1991 meeting be approved as written.

YEA: 5  
NAY: 0  
ABSENT: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED by Thompson and seconded by Fonger that the bills and accounts payable be allowed and warrants issued.

YEA: Councilmembers Doyle, Fonger, Thompson, Hodges and Mayor Maatman.  
NAY: None.  
ABSENT: None.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Bills and Accounts Payable Totals (July 1, 1991).**

General Fund	\$33,214.83
Major Street Fund	554.28
Local Street Fund	430.82
Sewer Fund	19,052.20
Water Fund	974.53
Equipment Fund	192.64
Current Tax Fund	3,991.72
Look Memorial Fund	296.00

IT WAS MOVED by Thompson and seconded by Hodges to have an agreement prepared with the City and Joseph and Helen Vezino that would allow the Vezinos until May 1, 1992 to install a new sidewalk across the frontage of their property located at 1064 Riverside.

YEA: 5  
NAY: 0  
ABSENT: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item No. 3. RESOLUTION TO CONGRESS OPPOSING ELECTRIC UTILITIES TO ESTABLISH DEREGULATED GENERATING COMPANIES.** Herb Haines, Superintendent of Light and Power, had requested that the City Council pass a resolution to Congress dealing with equal access to electric transmission lines. A proposed amendment in Congress would allow electric utilities, such as Consumers Power, to establish deregulated generating companies which would prevent equal access. This is particularly important to municipal electric utilities, such as Lowell.

IT WAS MOVED by Doyle and seconded by Fonger to adopt a resolution to Congress opposing electric utilities to establish deregulated generating companies.

YEA: 5  
NAY: 0  
ABSENT: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item No. 4. RESOLUTION REGARDING "NATIONAL NIGHT OUT".** Police Chief Emmons stated that as part of the Community Watch program, the Police had requested a passage of a resolution proclaiming Tuesday, August 6, 1991 as "National Night Out". This will be a nationwide crime and drug prevention event promoting neighborhood awareness, community unity and police/community cooperation.

IT WAS MOVED by Thompson and seconded by Hodges to adopt the resolution proclaiming Tuesday, August 6, 1991 as "National Night Out".

YEA: 5  
NAY: 0  
ABSENT: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item No. 5. STREET NUMBERING ORDINANCE ON ALL RESIDENCES AND OTHER BUILDINGS - PUBLIC HEARING.** As discussed at the June 17th meeting, an ordinance had been proposed requiring street num-

bers for all residences and other buildings, in support of the emergency services (ambulance, police and fire). Both Lowell and Vergennes townships had passed similar ordinances earlier in the year. This ordinance would be used as a tool to convince property owners to install numbers. The tact will be informative, rather than punitive.

Dave Roskamp (1270 Sibley) stated that he supports such an ordinance. Councilmember Fonger asked if the numbers would have to be a specific size. The consensus of the Council was that the numbers be large enough to be seen from the street.

IT WAS MOVED by Hodges and seconded by Thompson to adopt the street numbering ordinance for all residences and other buildings within the City of Lowell.

YEA: 5  
NAY: 0  
ABSENT: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item No. 6. RESOLUTION TO VACATE A PORTION OF GROVE STREET PROVIDING SELLING OF RIGHT OF WAY.** As directed by the City Council, City Manager Pasquale approached the Bardwells (805 E. Main) about purchasing a portion of the Grove Street right of way. It was determined that the most appropriate value would be the cost of the survey (\$500), which was agreed upon by the Bardwells. Therefore, it was recommended that the Council approve a resolution vacating a portion of Grove Street between East Main and Avery to Harry and Carol Bardwell for \$500.

Councilmember Fonger asked why should the City settle for covering the cost. It was a quarter of a lot and should go out for bid. Councilmember Hodges felt that the Bardwells would most likely be the only one interested in this small piece of property. It would be too small of a lot to build on. Councilmember Thompson suggested that a bid notice be advertised with a minimum of \$500.

IT WAS MOVED by Hodges and seconded by Doyle to adopt the resolution to vacate a portion of Grove Street, providing the selling of the right of way to Harry and Carol Bardwell at a cost of \$500.

YEA: 3 (Doyle, Hodges and Maatman).  
NAY: 2 (Fonger and Thompson).  
ABSENT: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED by Hodges and seconded by Doyle to adopt the resolution to vacate a portion of Grove Street, providing the selling of the right of way to Harry and Carol Bardwell at a cost of \$500.

YEA: 3 (Doyle, Hodges and Maatman).  
NAY: 2 (Fonger and Thompson).  
ABSENT: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item No. 7. RE-PAINTING MAIN STREET PARKING**



Tammy Kathleen Jurkowski and Alan Jay Post

## Engagement Told

Tammy Kathleen Jurkowski and Alan Jay Post will be joined in marriage in September 21, 1991. The bride-elect and her parents, Joe and Joyce Jurkowski, reside in Kentwood. She is a graduate of Kelloggsville

High School and Kent Skills Center. The future groom and his parents, Don and Bonnie Post, are Ada residents. He graduated from Lowell High School and Calvin College and is working on a doctorate at Purdue University.

# "Annie" will be presented by the Greenville Creative Arts Council

The cast has been selected for the musical "ANNIE" which will be presented by the Greenville Creative Arts Council during the Danish Festival on August 9, 10, 11, & 15, 16, 17 & 18 at the Community Center. Playing the part of Annie is Jessica Burns and Carrie Moeggenberg. Katy McDonough will play the role of Miss Hannigan, and Dick Jessop portrays Daddy

Warbucks. Other cast members are: Charlotte Lothian as Grace, Lisa Newton as Lilly, and Ron Baldwin as Rooster. The orphans are: Karen Gnewkowsky, Leslie Carpenter, Sara Kellogg, Jodi Gnash, Coleen McKnight, Laura Lothean, Jennifer Daniels, Julie Jakubowski, Samantha Sandro, Heidi Kulas, Casey Burns and Theresa Lindsey. Also in the

cast are: Deb Dieckman, Karen Raymore, Christy Worfel, Tammy Lariaus, Jane Wyckoff, Heather Barnhart, Shannon Lofts, Niki Steury, MaryAnn Mendrea, Mikel Merren, Jim Long, Kyle Rush, Mark Wheeler, Bert Healy, Joshua Webster, Matt Burris, Jeremy Lavieri, Kevin Dodd, Ryan Dodd, and Patrick Kulas. Tickets for all performances are \$3.00 for children

under 18, and \$5.00 for adults, and can be purchased at Hansen's Music Store downtown, and at Cathy's Hallmark at Greenville West Mall, or at the door. The show is directed by Ruth Hansen, and produced by Doris Whitten. Vocal Director is Paula Haist; choreographer is Linda Van Houten, and orchestra director is Keith Hudson.

## GRCC, continued

Deschaine, Director of Small Business Courses, "the comprehensive seminar is not only motivational, it provides specific techniques which will assist college students of all ages."

The popular seminar attracts more students each year. It is recommended that anyone who plans to attend inquire early. Cost of the seminar is \$30. Call the college's Continuing Education office (771-4200) for more information.

# Posthumus helps procure Federal highway grant

Michigan Senate Majority Leader Dick Posthumus (R-Alto) announced that, at his request, U.S. Congressman Bob Carr has been successful in procuring a \$2.4 million federal highway project grant for a planning and engineering study to complete the I-96 Grand Rapids Bypass in Kent County. Total cost of the South Beltline project is pegged at \$3 million, requiring only a \$600,000 commitment from the Michigan Department of Transportation.

"This is great news for West Michigan, the City of Grand Rapids and all the residents and businesses in our area," Posthumus stated. "We have fought long and hard for completion of this project. As West Michigan grows and prospers, completion of this project becomes even more vital and this helps to assure that." Posthumus said he was

appreciative of the cooperation he received from Congressman Carr, as Chair of the Transportation Subcommittee.

"We're delighted that Washington is recognizing Michigan's transportation needs," Posthumus concluded.

Icelanders read more books per capita than any other people in the world.

# Lowell City Council Proceedings

**STALLS AND CURBS.** Since the painting of the downtown parking stalls on Main and curbs last summer, there has been considerable wearing. It was proposed that re-painting work be accomplished. The following three quotes were received:

Parking Lot Maintenance (Grand Rapids)	\$ 890
Pro Line Painters (Wyoming)	1,200
Leep's Parking Lot Maintenance (Grand Rapids)	1,396

Councilmember Thompson stated his concerns that the contractor not overspray as was done last year. DPW Director Siciliano mentioned that Parking Lot Maintenance had been checked out. The firm did the fire station parking project as well as several areas in the City of Grand Rapids.

IT WAS MOVED by Doyle and seconded by Thompson to award contract to the low bid of \$890 from Parking Lot Maintenance of Grand Rapids for the repainting of Main Street parking stalls and curbs.

YEA: 5  
NAY: 0  
ABSENT: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item No. 8. DESIGNATION OF AN ADDITIONAL DEPOSITORY BANK.** At the January 7, 1991 City Council meeting, the Council approved eight area banks as depositories. City Treasurer Judy Noonon had recommended that Standard Federal of Grand Rapids be added to this list.

IT WAS MOVED by Fonger and seconded by Hodges to add Standard Federal of Grand Rapids to the list of depository banks.

YEA: 5  
NAY: 0  
ABSENT: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item No. 9. RESOLUTION TO THE MICHIGAN EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM RECOGNIZING THE POLICE DISPATCHER POSITIONS AS ELIGIBLE.** Starting July 1, Jan Baker and Alicia Despres will work thirty (30) hour a week shifts as police dispatchers. In order to provide eligibility under the Michigan Employees Retirement System (MERS), a resolution is needed from Council recognizing these employees as full time. Councilmember Thompson asked if by recog-

nizing a thirty hour employee as full time they would gain any other privileges by a full time basis other than MERS. City Manager Pasquale responded that all benefits have been clearly spelled out in a letter to each of them in terms of insurance, vacation and sick time.

IT WAS MOVED by Doyle and seconded by Thompson to adopt a resolution to the Michigan Employees Retirement System recognizing the Police Dispatcher thirty hour a week position as full time for eligibility.

YEA: 4 (Thompson, Doyle, Fonger and Maatman).  
NAY: 1 (Hodges)  
ABSENT: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item No. 10. CITIZEN COMMENTS.** None.

**Item No. 11. COUNCIL COMMENTS.** Councilmember Fonger asked if the DPW has a plan to take care of the grass and weeds that are growing between the concrete and blacktop throughout the City. DPW Director Siciliano responded that the department is planning to proceed with weed eaters first, and then herbicide.

Councilmember Doyle requested that the weeds on the Hudson Street bridge be cut down. Also, he asked if the water has been turned on at Richards Park. Councilmember Doyle said that Bruce Walter volunteered to turn the sprinklers on and off at the Park. Also he complimented the Lowell Rotary on the sign displayed on the Community billboard in the King Milling parking lot.

Councilmember Hodges mentioned that the Boy Scouts cleaned Cherry Creek on the south side of Main Street on Saturday, June 29th. He also said that he will have a car available for the Fourth of July parade. Any interested Councilmembers wishing to participate, should arrive at the United Methodist Church parking lot by 9:30 a.m.

**Item No. 12. MANAGER'S REPORT.** City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:

- The minutes of the Light and Power and Cable TV Board meetings were attached in the agenda.
- City Treasurer Judy Noonon was informed that Versys would trade a Cash Receipt Program worth (\$1000) and a Special Assessment Program (\$1750) for the City's Tiger 64. A special assessment program has not been located at this price. Pasquale questioned the Council if they wished to trade with Versys or proceed with bids on the Tiger 64.

IT WAS MOVED by Hodges and seconded by Thompson to approve the Versys proposed trading the Tiger 64 for the Cash Receipt and Special Assessment Programs.

- YEA: 4 (Hodges, Fonger, Thompson, Maatman).  
NAY: 1 (Doyle).  
ABSENT: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.
- A block party has been planned on Saturday, July 20 closing Pine Street between Monroe and Lafayette from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.
  - MDOT has approved the City's request to add Valley Vista Drive from M-21 to Bowes and Bowes from Valley Vista Drive to West Avenue to the Major Street system. This aids the City's State Act 51 funding.
  - The following City trees are being requested for removal:
 

410 James (Mark Baughman)	one tree
822 Grindle	
(A.J. Mathews, s. of driveway)	one tree
Creekside Park	one tree
222 S. Division	
(backyard tree is on S. Jackson).	one tree

The consensus of the Council was to have these trees marked for review before making a formal decision at the July 15 meeting.

6. Red Snyder of the Kent County 4-H stated that helicopter rides would be provided as part of the fair. He mentioned that proper insurance has been requested from the helicopter owners. A landing site south of the Wastewater Treatment Plant would be designated. The Council stated that they were concerned about the insurance as well as noise. They also suggested that, as a matter of courtesy, Mr. Snyder should contact Lowell Township.

7. At its June 24 meeting, the Planning Commission reviewed and approved an auto body shop at 501 Ottawa (Chris Bieri). The Commission will meet with the Lowell Township Planning Board to discuss transportation and development issues on Wednesday, July 17, 7:00 p.m. at the Lowell Township Hall.

**Item No. 13. APPOINTMENTS.** None.

IT WAS MOVED by Doyle to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.

Approved: July 15, 1991.  
James D. Maatman, Mayor  
David M. Pasquale, City Clerk



# FFA members attend Washington conference

Dave Hildenbrand and Hayley Murphy of the Lowell FFA Chapter attended the 1991 Washington Conference Program in the nation's capital. The week-long program was designed to help FFA members improve leadership skills, develop an understanding of national heritage and prepare for more effective leadership roles in their chapters and communities. Sessions on human relations, goal setting, and interpersonal communications were combined with discussions on personal outlook, motivation, and values to help members become effective leaders in the science, business and technology of agriculture.

Visits to Mount Vernon, the Smithsonian Institution, Arlington National Cemetery, the Jefferson Memorial and other historic sights in Washington were included in the conference.

A highlight of the week was the visit to the office of Congressman Steve Gunderson of Wisconsin. The Chapter's FFA Advisor is Pete Siler. The trip to the conference was sponsored by the Lowell FFA Chapter.

*Procrastination is the art of keeping up with yesterday.*  
DON MARQUIS

## Legal Notices

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

WHEREAS, default has been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by DENISE HAYWOOD, of the City of Grand Rapids, County of Kent, State of Michigan, Mortgagor, to CENTRAL MORTGAGE CORPORATION, a Michigan corporation, Mortgagee, dated the 12th day of September, A.D., 1986, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Kent and State of Michigan, on the 18th day of September, A.D., 1986, in Liber 2241 of Mortgages on pages 1145-1147, which said mortgage was thereafter on, to wit: the 30th day of June, A.D., 1990, assigned to AMERIHOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION, a Michigan corporation, and said assignment was recorded on the 13th day of July, 1990 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for said County of Kent in Liber 2765 of Mortgages on page 266, and

WHEREAS, the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage as of the date of this notice is the sum of TWENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND NINETY FIVE AND 25/100 dollars (\$28,095.25), 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 15th day of AUGUST, 1991, 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 Circuit Court in said County), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage with the interest thereon at NINE AND ONE HALF percent (9.5%) per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fee allowed by law, and also any sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. The premises described in said mortgage are as follows: Property situated in the City of Grand Rapids, County of Kent, State of Michigan, to wit:

## Historic Bowens Mills presents Revolutionary War re-enactment

The crack of muskets, the roar of cannons and lingering clouds of gun powder will fill the air as Historic Bowens Mills host a weekend-long re-enactment of Revolutionary War battles and camp life. Troops from the Northwest Territory Alliance (N.W.T.A.) are busily preparing for their planned invasion on July 20 & 21. The hours will be from 10 am until 4 pm on Saturday and from noon until 4 pm on Sunday.

The men, women and children of the N.W.T.A. will bring the 18th century to life with color ceremonies, followed by parades and skirmishes. Events include battle demonstrations, volley fire competitions, lawn bowling, tomahawk throwing contests and bayonet drills. Eighteenth century cooking and historic uniforms and ladies fashion shows will also be part of the day.

Historic Bowens Mill was built in 1864 and is a Michigan State Historic Site. The Mills' main floor museum will be open for tours. The museum houses many items including Indian artifacts and an Indian dug out canoe along with early tools and miscellaneous items from Barry

County's past. The grinding of corn into fresh corn meal will be done on the huge old French burr stones by water power.

"The Village Smithie," John O'Brian of Grand Rapids, will be at work in The Mills lower level Blacksmith Shop, demonstrating this old time art. He will be making and selling his wares and taking special orders for items that can't be found elsewhere.

The Old Mill is located in the heart of beautiful Yankee Springs Township just 2 miles north of the Yankee Springs (Gun Lake) State Park entrance - or - one could take the 131 expressway to the Bradley Exit (midway between Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids) and travel east to Briggs Road, about 8 miles, then go north one mile. Watch for the huge grindstone marker!!! Phone 616-795-7530.

The largest Oxen Team in Michigan will be on hand, giving rides in an old ox cart. The oxen weigh in at well over a ton each. Their owner-

townsend Park, Sec. A, at noon. Bring dish to pass. Coffee and lemonade furnished. All past, present and future Cannoneers are invited. Una Kitson 874-7342.

### Coming Events, cont.d...

Chapter No. 94 O.E.S. to a potluck picnic at her home. Gather at 4 p.m. Picnic at 5 p.m.

SAT., JULY 20 - Cannon Township Historical Society Annual Picnic will be at

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Dave Hildenbrand, left and Hayley Murphy, right, of Lowell are greeted in Washington D.C. by Terri Lynn Hames, far right, of Norman, OK, Washington Conference Program Director of the National FFA Organization. Hildenbrand and Murphy are attending the week-long National FFA Washington Conference Program.

# The Lowell Ledger's

## TV

### LISTING MAGAZINE

- Features Complete Listings of Lowell Cable TV Channels On A Daily Basis.
- Complete & Easy To Use
- Listings Coincide With Numbers On Your Tuner

Channel	Station	City
8	MTV	Music
9	NASH	
10	WSYM	Lansing
11	WTV	Grand Rapids
12	WXMI	G. Rapids
13	WGUV	Grand Rapids
14	WKAR	East Lansing
15	WZZM	Grand Rapids
16	HBO	Premium
17	TBS	Atlanta
18	MAX	Premium
19	DISN	Premium
20	USA	
21	FAM	Family
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DAYTIME

- MORNING
5:00 (M) Morning Stretch
(M) Avonlea (CC)
(TU) Paid Program
(WE,TH) My Sister Sam
(MO,TH) Movie
(TU,WE,TH,FR) ShowBiz Today
(MO) Sports LateNight
(TU,WE,TH,FR) Mr. Ed
(MO) Farmwood 2Night
(TU,WE,TH,FR) (M)
(TH,FR) Home Shopping
5:05 (MO,TU,WE,FR) Hogan's Heroes
5:10 (TH) Movie (CC)
(FR) Short Subjects
5:30 (F) (M) (W) This Morning's Business
Hooked on Aerobics
(TU) (W) WE Movie
(WE,TH,FR) Paid Program
Larry Lea
(TU,WE,TH,FR) Getting Fit
(MO) SportsCenter
DayBreak
(TU,WE,TH,FR) Dobie Gillis
(MO) Dragnet
(1) AD Day
(FR) Trailer Camp
(TU) National Velvet
(WE) Crime Doesn't Pay
5:35 (MO,TU,WE,FR) CNN Headline News
(FR) Movie
(TU) Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet
5:50 (TH) Movie
6:00 Awake on the Wild Side
(1) (M) (W) NBC News at Sunrise
(1) (F) First Business
(1) (F) Ethics in America
(MO) The Mind (CC)
(TU) Voyage: Challenge and Change in Careers
(WE) Strategies in Reading
(TH) Survival Specials
(1) (M) ABC World News This Morning (CC)
(MO) (W) WE Movie
Mousercise
Today With Marilyn
(TU,WE,FR) Facts of Life
(MO,TH) World Tomorrow
(TU,WE,TH,FR) SportsCenter
CNN Headline News
Lassie
(MO,TU,FR) Rising Damp
(WE,TH) Blackadder Goes Forth
(1) (M) CBS Morning News
(1) (W) News
Woody Woodpecker
6:05 Gomer Pyle
6:30 (1) (M) (W) News
(1) (F) Kenneth Copeland
(MO,FR) Movie
(TU) Crazy About the Movies (CC)
You and Me, Kid
(MO) Paid Program
James Robinson
Faith 20
Nation's Business Today
Business Morning
Kids World
A & E Preview
CBS Morning News
My Three Sons
7:05 (M) My Three Sons
(1) (W) Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (CC)
To Life! Yoga
(1) (F) Good Morning America
(TH) Remember When
(FR) Movie
Good Morning, Mickey!
Cartoon Express
The Littles
Success-N-Life
DayBreak
Mr. Wizard's World (CC)
(FR) Four Days in Summer
(MO) French Revolution
(TU) My Family and Other Animals
(WE) Previn on Concertos
(TH) Freud
(1) (M) CBS This Morning
Fun Zone
7:05 (TU) The Red Shoes
Munsters
(WE) Movie
7:10 (TH) Movie
7:15 (1) (M) (W) AM Weather
7:30 (TU) Club MTV
Merrie Melodies
(TU) Tiny Toons Adventures (CC)
(1) (M) Captain Kangaroo (CC)
(FR) Do It for Yourself
(MO,TU,WE,TH) Business File
(TU) Encyclopedia Brown, Boy Detective (CC)
(MO,TU) Movie
Care Bears
Dinosaucers
Nation's Business Today
Business Day
Most Wanted: Yogi Bear
7:35 Leave It to Beaver
8:00 (1) Dennis the Menace
Merrie Melodies
Sesame Street (CC)
(FR) Sewing Connection
(MO,TU,WE,TH) Business of Management
Babar
Donald Duck Presents
Jem
Flintstone Kids
Banana Splits
DayBreak
Inspector Gadget
World of Survival
Poppye
8:05 Brady Bunch
8:30 (FR) Paid Program
(MO,TU,WE,TH) Brady Bunch
Muppet Babies (CC)
Wonderful Wizard of Oz

- (WE) Full House (CC)
Tastes of the World
Daktari
11:15 (FR) Movie (CC)
11:30 (1) (M) (W) Trialwatch
(1) (F) Silver Spoons (CC)
(1) (M) Degraded High (CC)
(1) (W) Hooked on Aerobics
(FR) Movie
(MO) King of the Beasts
(WE) Bill Cosby in Aesop's Fables
(TH) The Remarkable Rocket
(1) (M) Divorce Court
(MO,TU,WE,TH) Basic Training Workout
(1) (F) Crier & Co
Fred Penner's Place
Pasquale's Kitchen Express
11:35 (MO) Andy Griffith
(WE) All in the Family
11:45 (WE) Movie (CC)
AFTERNOON
12:00 Beach MTV
Cookin' USA
(TU,WE,TH,FR) (M) (W) (F)
(MO,WE) Movie
(MO) Best of National Geographic
(1) (M) (W) (F) News
(1) (F) Charles in Charge (CC)
(1) (M) Reading Rainbow (CC)
Lassie
(FR) City of Angels
(MO) Elly Queen
(TU) DeVecchio
(WE) O'Hara, U.S. Treasury
(TH) Mrs. Columbus
(1) (M) Sally Jessy Raphael
(1) (F) Happy Days
(1) (F) Wheel of Fortune (CC)
(FR) The Big Ice: Views of Antarctica
(MO) Beyond 2000
(TU) World Leaders
(WE) Wildlife Chronicles
(TH) Native Land
Fraggle Rock
9:05 Little House on the Prairie
9:30 (1) (F) Bullwinkle
(FR) Tastes of Louisiana
(MO) Lap Quilting With Georgia Bonesteel (CC)
(TU) Sewing Connection
(WE) Welcome to My Studio
(TH) Today's Gourmet With Jacques Pepin
(TU) Movie (CC)
Dumbo's Circus
Hazel
Cooky's Cartoon Club
(MO) Baseball Tonight
(TU) Baseball Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies
(WE) Surfing
(TH) Bicycle Racing
Maya the Bee
(1) (F) Happy Days
(FR) Earthfile
(MO) Leading Edge: Technology in the Computer Age
(WE) Homanus Americanus
Pink Panther
10:00 Adam Curry
(1) (F) Graham Kerr
(1) (M) Wheel of Fortune (CC)
Wonderful World of Disney
(1) (F) Good Thyme Cooking
(1) (M) Strip Quilting
(1) (W) Sewing With Nancy
(1) (F) Fun With Watercolors
(TH) Health Smart Gourmet Cooking
(1) (M) Mister Rogers' Neighborhood (CC)
Geraldine
(WE,FR) (MO,TU,WE,TH) WE Movie (CC)
(FR) Hey, Cinderella!
Lost in Space
700 Club With Pat Robertson
(MO,TU,WE,FR) Trapper John, M.D.
(TH) Magnum, P.I.
(WE) High School Swimming
World Day
Eureka's Castle
The Fugitive
(1) (M) Designing Women (CC)
Webster
(FR) Pulse
(MO,TU,WE,TH) Dr. Edell's Medical Journal
Daktari
10:05 (1) (F) People's Court
(1) (M) Trump Card
(FR) Amish Cooking From Quilt Country
(MO) Quilt in a Day
(TU) Needle Workshop
(1) (F) Joy of Decorative Painting
(TH) Gourmet Cooking
(1) (M) Reading Rainbow (CC)
(MO) Movie
(MO,TU) ESPN's SpeedWeek
Care Bears
Dinosaucers
Nation's Business Today
Business Day
Most Wanted: Yogi Bear
7:35 Leave It to Beaver
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8:05 Brady Bunch
8:30 (FR) Paid Program
(MO,TU,WE,TH) Brady Bunch
Muppet Babies (CC)
Wonderful Wizard of Oz

- (TH) Contrary to Love
(FR) National Audubon Society Specials (CC)
(1) (M) National Geographic
(1) (F) Fun and Fancy Fabric Painting
(1) (W) Journey Into Sleep
(1) (M) Nova (CC)
(1) (W) One Life to Live
(FR) Movie
(TU,WE) Under the Umbrella Tree
Wipeout
(MO,TU,FR) Dick Van Dyke
(WE,TH) Lead-Off Man
(FR) Inside the Senior PGA Tour
(TH) Unlimited Hydroplane Racing
Newsday
LIT'S Bits
(FR) Elly Queen
(MO) DeVecchio
(TU) O'Hara, U.S. Treasury
(WE) Mrs. Columbus
(TH) City of Angels
(1) (M) As the World Turns
(FR) Pulse
(MO,TU,WE,TH) Dr. Edell's Medical Journal
2:15 (MO,TU) Movie
2:20 (WE,TH) Major League Baseball
2:30 (1) (F) Gummi Bears (CC)
(1) (M) (W) African-American Journal
(TH,FR) (W) (F) (TH) Movie
(FR) Bill Cosby in Aesop's Fables
(MO) Wuzzles
(TU) Mouse Factory
(WE) Animated Fraggles Rock
(TH) Dorothy in the Land of Oz
Win, Lose or Draw
(MO,TU,FR) Gidget
(FR) Thoroughbred Digest
(WE) Glory Days
Your Health
2:35 (TU) Movie (CC)
(WE) Then Came Bronson
2:45 (FR) Then Came Bronson
2:50 (FR) Cartoon
3:00 (FR) Bill & Ted's Bogus Journey
Cookin' USA
(1) (M) (W) DuckTales (CC)
(1) (F) Santa Barbara
(1) (M) Newton's Apple (CC)
(1) (W) Acrylic Fun for Everyone
(MO) Victory Garden (CC)
(TU) Joy of Painting
(1) (W) Travels in Europe With Rick Steves
(TH) Paint With Pittard
(1) (F) General Hospital
(FR) (W) (WE) Movie (CC)
Raccoons
Hollywood Squares
Father Knows Best
(MO,TU,FR) One Day at a Time
(FR) ATP Tour Tennis
(WE,TH) NFL Yearbook
International Hour
CNN Headline News
Flipper
(1) (M) Guiding Light
Tastes of the World
3:05 (TU,WE,TH,FR) Tom and Jerry's Funhouse
3:20 (MO) Tom and Jerry's Funhouse
3:30 Top Card
(1) (M) (W) Chip 'n' Dale's Rescue Rangers (CC)
(1) (F) 3-2-1 Contact (CC)
(1) (M) Sesame Street (CC)
(MO,TU) (MO) Movie (CC)
Pound Puppies
\$25,000 Pyramid
Father Knows Best
(MO,TU,FR) Leave It to Beaver
(MO,TU,WE,FR) Sunkist K.I.D.S.
(TH) Inside the Senior PGA Tour
Looney Tunes
Pasquale's Kitchen Express
3:35 (WE) Cartoons
3:45 (FR) Cartoons
4:00 (MO,TU,WE,TH) Hot Seat
Club Dance
(1) (M) Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (CC)
(1) (F) Hard Copy
(1) (W) Tale Spin
(1) (M) Sesame Street (CC)
(1) (F) Family Ties (CC)
(1) (W) Care Bears (CC)
(MO,TU,WE,FR) Press Your Luck
(TH) PGA Golf
Batman
(MO,TU,FR) Flintstones
(MO,TU,WE,FR) USWA Wrestling
(TH) Senior PGA Golf
Newsday
Heathcliff
(1) (M) Oprah Winfrey (CC)
(1) (W) Woody Woodpecker
(1) (F) Donahue
Do It for Yourself
(1) (M) Sesame Street (CC)
4:15 (WE) Movie (CC)
4:30 (1) (F) Peter Pan and the Pirates (CC)
(1) (M) Instant Recall
(1) (W) Mister Neighborhood (CC) Rogers'
(TU,TH,FR) Movie
Donald Duck Presents
(MO,TU,WE,FR) High Rollers
(1) (F) Title for Rogers or Ed
Gather
Gladys Knight's state of birth: abbr.
4:31. Title for Rogers or Ed
4:34. Movie alien
4:37. Mottos of Father Murphy
4:45. Free Partner's role
DOWNS
1. Squares Bursting
2. Footbal pas.
3. Vigoda's insignia
4. Flincy car, for short
5. Anderson of Wagar
6. Glen Campbell's state of birth: abbr.
7. Initials for Shotton
8. Pressure craft
9. Swivels
10. 2000 pounds
Acting Families
(Words in parentheses not in puzzle.)
Carol Burnett Ethel (Barrymore) Emilio Estevez Kiefer (Sutherland)
Carrie (Hamilton) John (Barrymore) Julia (Roberts) Drew (Barrymore)
Jackie Gleason Jane (Fonda) Eric Roberts Henry (Fonda)
Jason Patric Peter (Fonda) Desi (Arnez) Martin (Sheen)
Donald (Sutherland) Bridget (Fonda) Lucille (Ball) Audrey (Meadows)
Jayno Meadows
Puzzle by Lisa Orsini

WORD SEARCH

S W O D A E M E N Y A J I W I
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Y E L R T T W A U E I R N F E
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I Y R D I A T Y R U H L Y K E
L E N S I D L R K E E T O B O
E R E C A U G N S E L I F I O
W D T A N O S E L L I C U L
C U T A R M E H T Y R E W I
I A R E F E I K L T H E K I M
D S W O S T R E B O R C I R E

This sunny star was coaxed into doing a TV series after discovering her beloved husband had embezzled and mismanaged her life savings.

Grid for word search puzzle with numbers 1-45 and asterisks indicating letter positions.

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

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Down and Across words.



Catherine Distelrath seemed to be enjoying the no electricity adventure.



David Geldersma loads up on the peanut butter Ketchup anyone!

Red Cross, continued

and served a beef stew dinner. The Red Cross heard there was a need for its help in Lowell because of the extensive power outages...

Red Cross, continued

courteous, appreciative and many have pitched in and helped clean up. Stout said, "Lowell Schools should also be complemented. They have been extremely helpful in making our job easier..."



Henrietta Moykkynen is served some bake beans, hot dogs and potato salad by a Red Cross volunteer.

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# "Letters To The Editor", continued...

his time. There were others who donated cleanup time as well.

Our family, who was without water or electricity for 5 days, would like to send a big THANK YOU to all of the above. Your kindness won't be forgotten.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Laura Evans

Dear Editor:

The statistics are alarming. Each year 50,000 bicyclists suffer serious head injuries. More children die yearly from bicycle injuries than from accidental poisonings, falls, firearm injuries and many illnesses.

Yet, few children or parents regularly wear bicycle helmets. In fact, a study showed that less than two percent of elementary, junior and senior high school students, and only 10 percent of

adults, wore helmets.

As an oral and maxillofacial surgeon, all too often, I witness and treat needless injuries to the mouth, face and head — knocked out teeth, broken facial and jawbones and fractured skulls — which could have been prevented with the proper use of bicycle safety helmets. And, when young children are hurt, it's even more of a tragedy since permanent damage can result from injuries to facial bones that are not fully developed.

The American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (AAOMS) strongly advocates the use of bicycle safety helmets by all riders. With summer upon us and bicycle accidents on the rise, it's imperative that individuals of all ages take protective measures and put an end to needless injuries.

Wear protective equipment such as safety helmets,

knee pads and gloves when riding bicycles. In the event of an injury, know first aid tips to lessen the damage and pain. Your readers may obtain more information on sports safety and a free first aid wallet card by contacting AAOMS at 1-800-467-5268.

Sincerely,  
Richard W. Panek,  
D.D.S.

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Mellemas and the Greens for all they have done in the Sportsman's Club controversy. Myself, as an adjoining land owner, owe them a debt of gratitude for their efforts in stopping the onslaught of the school board in taking the Sportsman Club and the eventual ruin of my property and home as it is now.

I disagree with Mrs. Korb's indication that there has been serious mudslinging character assassinations. There have possibly been some aggressive actions taken during this controversy but no more so than any property owner may have taken if it had been their property involved. Then again, I may not be entitled to my opinion in this issue since I am only one of the adjoining property owners who do not have any children in the school system. I guess my having paid property taxes to this school system for over 21 years does not give me a right to say how and what my taxes are going for because I do not have children in this school system.

A number of people have indicated it is now time for the community to come together and address the needs of our young people. I could not agree more but in order

for this to happen I believe the school board and administration have to come down off their pedestals and remember who they are and why they are in their positions. They were elected and are paid to SERVE the people of this school district and insure the children of this school district receive the best education possible within our means. I don't believe it says anywhere they are in these positions to build a "Cadillac" of a school system as a monument unto themselves.

Dr. Esch's statement in the 7-10-91 Ledger article concerns me. Dr. Esch stated "Whatever land we chose I'm sure there will be neighbors who don't want us." Is he saying this because it is being planned to be handled as the sportsman club situation was? Or does Dr. Esch realize the neighbors to a school have reason to be unhappy and

concerned over their property? As the school board holds it's Neighbors Who Care meetings will they be held with the same attitude of the Neighborhood forum meeting? Does the school board want to get the community back together? Then why are they even considering appealing Judge Kolenda's decision?

Yes, I care about the education of the young people, it is my future. Perhaps if I stay in Lowell township long enough I will see a weekly write up in the paper about student's educational accomplishment not just Lowell's sports accomplishments.

Bonnie Phillips

## Players and/or Townships may be asked to bear some of the burden for new light system at Recreation Park

According to one City Councilman, it's been in the "On Deck" circle of the City's goals for several years, but after several pinch-hitters have strode in front of it, new lighting at Recreation Park may finally get an "at-bat."

The undertaking will definitely be more expensive than its estimate of several years ago.

"It's not a question as to

whether the Council agrees new lighting is needed. It's whether or not Recreation Park is the most sensible park to put money into at this time," Lowell Mayor James Maatman said. "At one time it was discussed that we move softball and baseball games away from Recreation Park and down to Creekside Park."

Don Green, Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Board, said it's unanimous among players that they'd prefer money be put into Recreation Park.

"Councilman Hodges said the majority of players would prefer Recreation Park. I think it's more like unanimous,"

Green said.

"If there is a preference among players which one field should be lit, Recreation would get the vote."

Green said players prefer Recreation over Creekside because it is a traditional ballpark, it has a traditional home run fence, and grandstand seating.

Lowell City Manager suggested the funding could be handled the same way as the King Memorial Pool. Application could be made from through the Lee Fund, a third through the general fund and a third through Parks and Recreation. It was suggested that the Look Memorial Fund be considered.

Maatman asked how much the City was paying compared to those who are using the

facility. Councilman Bill Thompson added people outside the City use it a lot.

"Possibly there should be a user fee charged to the players for use of the Park," Maatman said. Thompson agreed that the adults should share in the burden.

"I'd like to see the Townships get involved," Thompson said. "Lowell Township, to its credit, got involved in park maintenance last year (\$2,000). It's intent was good last year. I believe it would be again, if approached correctly," Thompson said.

Both Thompson and Maatman agreed Townships should be involved since adults from both Townships are using the field.

"I think the \$30,000 could be better used for kids' fa-

cilities. I'm not sure \$30,000 at a park used by adults is the

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## First Baptist Church offers Bible School

"We want kids to have fun, experience firsthand what it was like to live in 29 A.D., and learn about the Bible at the same time," says Nancy VanLaan, Coordinator of Vacation Bible School at First Baptist of Lowell this year.

"The marketplace was a vital center of the community then; people were usually there at least once a day," she adds, to explain the reason for the setting. VanLaan first heard about the program from a relative whose church overflowed with children at the event.

Using animals, drama, crafts, and songs similar to those of the first century, the "Marketplace Ministry" will be held the week of August 5-9. From 6:15 to 8:30 each

night, children will become a part of a typical Jewish family, where they will participate in everything from pottery to brick-making in the ancient fashion.

Participants will gain a "Real-Life" understanding of money, family, culture and worship of the period; above all, they will have a great time!

Open to all children entering Kindergarten through sixth grade, the Marketplace will be set up behind the First Baptist Church, one block west of Family Fare on Fulton. The church will be making its regular bus route; questions about additional transportation can be answered at 897-7168. Please call by Friday, Aug. 2, to make these arrangements if necessary.

# TOWN TALK

How were you affected by the Sunday (July 7) storm?



Rog Quiggle

I didn't lose my power, except for when they shut it off while working on my neighbor's line. I did store my boys' girlfriend's food in my freezer for 1-1/2 days. The weatherman described the storm as one that hit straight on, but with no twisters.



Carole Anderson

We lost our electric up until Monday night. It wasn't a struggle for me. The wind did take down our flagpole and a big branch. My kids were without electric until 6 p.m. Wednesday. They have little kids so the hardship was more on them. I stored their food in my refrigerator and freezer.



Bill Snyder

I recently joined the Northeastern Sportsman's Club. I bought a trailer to stick out there. We've spent the week without electric and no showers. We had to tote water down to the trailer from the spring. The well pump in the club house had to be rewired to a generator to get hot water. As of Friday there still was no power. At home a tree fell across our driveway.



Dan Spickler

I lost my electricity for about three hours on Sunday. The hillside we live next to, lost a lot of trees. My Mom and Dad are still picking up. My neighbor asked to borrow our generator. They had their weatherhead knocked right off their house. These are the strongest winds I've ever witnessed.



Noel Seif

We finally got our power back on Thursday. We went 96 hours without electric. We live on Beckwith Drive. We lost 2-3 trees. It was terrible. No power makes you appreciate showers. We got a generator the first thing Monday. Not having water is worse than not having electricity.



Shannon Schank

My power was out until Wednesday. We stayed with my Mom. It was definitely a struggle. My Mom didn't have electric either. We had to heat baby food over a candle. I'm glad it's over. I had four freezers of food, what a mess. We did get a generator at the last minute.



Nora Bell Rash

I didn't lose my electric or telephone, but my television was struck by lightning. Fortunately our television set was still under warranty. My son lost his electric for four days.



Denny Finkler

I live a mile south of town and I was one of the lucky ones. I only lost power for a couple of hours. I stored food for my brother in Saranac.

## Shaler and Sons awarded bid on Stoney Lakeside Park construction

The bid for work at Stoney Lakeside Park was awarded by the Lowell City Council Monday night.

Ken Shaler and Son was awarded the construction contract. The work would include placement of sand to create a beach extending underwater for a swimming area. Also, a restroom changing facility building along with a parking lot, entrance way and seed mulch - black dirt for grass.

The bid was let out to Shaler and Sons for \$113,310. This was contingent upon reducing the bid amount by diminishing quantities for certain aspects of the job to match the budget. If, after negotiation with Shaler, an added dollar amount over budget is necessary, the issue would be

brought before the City Council.

"We are hoping the park work can be completed this construction year," Lowell City manager, Dave Pasquale said.

The funds for the construction will be allocated through the Quality of Life Recreation Bond Grant, the Look Memorial Fund and the Lee Fund. The Quality of Life Recreation Bond allocated funds totaling \$47,000 toward the Park's completion. The Look Memorial Fund will allocate \$60,000 and the Lee Fund will allocate \$10,000.

The City has already spent \$3,690 toward the rough grading work, bringing the total budgeted amount for the project to \$117,000.

## College News

Ferris State University's spring quarter academic honors list includes 1,329 students, University officials have announced.

To be eligible, a Ferris student must have compiled a 3.50 grade point average in at

least 12 quarter hours of work. The list includes 257 who earned 4.00 grade point averages, or all A grades.

Among the honored students were Robin K. Held and Harry J. Theodore, both of Ada.



Some experts estimate there are more people studying English in China than there are people in the United States.

## LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE

RECEIPT OF A SPECIAL USE APPLICATION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission will hold a hearing on:

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 1991 at 7:00 P.M.

at the Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash, SE.

At this hearing, the following described property which generally lies at 2287 Segwon, SE (41-20-11-177-003) will be considered for a special use permit to allow the building to be used for a small animal veterinary clinic.

The special use permit application and the Lowell Township Zoning Ordinance are available for public inspection at the Township Hall during regular office hours. Please call 897-7600 for further information.

Carol L. Wells  
Lowell Charter  
Township Clerk

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# Wilkerson stopped rescue work after 13 years, but her heart and soul still want to go

"It's everything," smiles Joyce Wilkerson, when hearing the words, the LOOK Memorial Fire Station.

Wilkerson remembers the days Lowell's Rescue personnel used Art Warning's truck to go out on emergency runs. She also remembers when the fire station used to be at the old city building underneath the old Showboat Amphitheatre.

For the past 13 years, being a part of the Lowell Rescue team has been and meant everything to Wilkerson.

"There's not a better feeling a person can get than that of helping another person in an emergency situation," she says. "But, there may not be a more empty feeling than putting all you have mentally and physically into saving a person's life, only to have them die."

Like all of us, Wilkerson was influenced at a young age as to what she wanted to do.

"The school nurse had the biggest influence on me. I was in the sixth-grade and she formed a Future Nurses Club," Wilkerson said. "That did the trick for me. I knew from that point on I wanted to be involved in medicine."

After graduating from high school, Wilkerson attended Grand Rapids Junior College (now Grand Rapids Community College). It was there and through Butterworth Hospital she earned her practical nursing license.

In November of 1989, she

returned to the place where she did some of her studying, Butterworth, this time to work at the hospital's medical center.

"I worked a little bit after graduating from GRJC before raising a family," Wilkerson said.

After raising a family, Wilkerson became the first civilian member of the Lowell Rescue team. Prior to that, she went back to school to become an Emergency Medical Technician. "I went one year for basic training and one year for specialist training."

"I've always enjoyed the fast pace of emergency rescue work," Wilkerson said. "The adrenaline that flows within a rescue person, I believe, gives them an inner strength to look past the peripherals (the pain and the blood) and to care for the person. How bad the situation does not hit you until afterwards."

Wilkerson said the worst feeling she has experienced when on the scene of an accident, was a year or so ago when a truck rolled over trying to avoid the bridge that was out on south Hudson.

"It was early in the morning, and I happened to be the first one on the scene. I could talk to the truck driver, but there wasn't anything I could do to help him until my help arrived. That was a terrible feeling. Thank goodness he was alright."

The Lowell woman said

she decided to step away from the Lowell Rescue team in June because of medical reasons (foot surgery). "It slowed me down and I felt it was time to stop."

While her body told her it was time to stop, Wilkerson's head still tells her to go. "When there was that house fire on Monroe not too long ago, I was at home and it was hot, so I drove to the Fire Station, got some ice water together and took it to the scene for the firefighters," she said. "I miss it very much and I've

only been away since June. A large part of me still wants to go when my scanner goes off."

On June 14 a party was held in honor of Wilkerson's 13 years of service as a Lowell rescue person.

"The people I've worked with over the past 13 years have been marvelous. Because of them I've never felt stressed. They are always there for you. They've been like a second family to me," Wilkerson said.

For the past 13 years Joyce Wilkerson has meant everything to her second family.



Joyce Wilkerson, shown here with her husband, Bob, was recently honored at a retirement party at the Look Memorial Fire Station.

## Board's meeting schedule set for 1991-92 fiscal year

Get me to the meeting on time.

Lowell's Board of Education approved the site, time and dates for the monthly meetings for the next fiscal year.

The regular monthly meetings of the Board of Education of Lowell Area Schools, shall be held in the Lowell Middle School media Center, 12675 Foreman Rd on the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Meeting Dates for the next Fiscal Year  
 August 12, 1991  
 September 9, 1991  
 October 14, 1991  
 November 11, 1991  
 December 9, 1991

January, 13, 1992  
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# Comradery and basketball fun bring San Diego hoopsters across country to play in original Gus Macker tourney

The obvious question was why would a group of four men leave San Diego, CA to visit Belding?

Must be visiting family in the area. Nope!

Must be visiting friends in the area. Nope!

The weather in Belding is nice. Get out of here!

Well, if it was the weekend of July 12-14, it must have been the Gus Macker three-on-three basketball tournament in Belding.

"We've played in the Macker Tournament in San Diego the last three years, and we finished second twice and we won't talk about the third year," smiles Dick Paff, one of four "Miss Elizabeth Fan Club" team members.

The Macker Tournament in San Diego is played in the parking lot of Jack Murphy Stadium, home of the San Diego Padres.

"We've read about the tournament in Sports Illustrated, heard about it on ESPN and we wanted to play in the original Gus Macker tourney," Paff said.

Paff's teammates are Terry Lawrence, Ralph Mora and

Jerry Fike.

But, did Miss Elizabeth's Fan Club team know where the original home of Gus Macker was? In unison the four players responded, "521 Elizabeth, Lowell MI."

Not only did the San Diego men come prepared to play basketball, but they were primed for Gus Macker Trivia Pursuit.

In reading about Gus Macker, Paff remembered he knew someone in Lowell. But, who? "Then I remembered, I went to school (George Williams College) with Bill Jones, and he was from Lowell." He said. Paff, would later find out that Dave Jones (Bill's brother) wrote the Gus Macker theme song.

Paff's memory also helped pay for the team's accommodations while in the area. They stayed with Bill's mother, Ruth Jones at 803 Shepard Dr. "When I first asked my Mom if she would take in four basketball players from San Diego for the weekend, she gave me a blank stare," Bill Jones said.

"She has just one rule: two

losses and we're out," laughs Fike.

"Miss Elizabeth's Fan Club" has a team average of 45.3. "That's not a team scoring average, it's our average age," Fike inserts.

Why at 45.3 years of age would four men still be playing basketball and travel across country to play in a tournament?

"The comradery," Lawrence said. Paff chuckles, "The 25-footer and three-to-make-two."

Ralph chimes in, "It beats the hell out of jogging. It's also an inexpensive sport. It cost just \$65 for the four of us to play in this tournament. It's good fun and you meet a lot of new people."

It also cost the foursome something to get trip approval from their family. Ralph explains, "First of all, they think I'm crazy. They think I'm re-living my second childhood. Then there was the trade-off: I come to Gus Macker, they go to Mazatlan, Mexico."

Jerry adds, "I said to my wife do you think I should go? She said, 'I want you to go, I've got plans.'"



They came from all over this past weekend to play in the Gus Macker Tournament, including San Diego. Bill Jones, second from the left, found room and board for the hoopsters at his mother's place (Ruth Jones). Members of the "Miss Elizabeth's Fan Club," are left to right, Ralph Mora, Dick Paff, Jerry Fike and Terry Lawrence.

Paff said he was told if he doesn't have a trophy with him at the airport, there will be no one there to pick him up. Miss Elizabeth's Fan Club

team from San Diego played their first game, Saturday morning at 11 a.m. on Court A.

"In San Diego's tournament there were a pleasant 350 teams. This past weekend there were 5,500 team," Paff said.

## Stahr approved as Lowell's new athletic director

Lowell's Board of Education filled four vacated staff positions for the 1991-92 school year at its regular monthly meeting. The positions filled in-

cluded athletic director, a 3/5 spanish position, an eighth-grade Middle School English position, and a seventh-grade Middle School reading spot.

The Board approved the hiring of Tom Stahr for the position of High School Athletic Director.

Stahr has served the past six years as the assistant athletic director under former

A.D. Bob Perry. "He is certainly deserving of the job and we have confidence that Tom will fill the position with enthusiasm and competence," DeWeerd said.

Susan Cocola Ross will fill the Spanish vacancy. She taught for one year in the Lowell Community education program. She also has five years of experience in New

York and three years in Ohio for a total of eight years in high school teaching and one year in adult education.

She has a B.A. Degree with a Spanish and Social Studies major and an M.A. Degree in secondary Education.

Laurie Wagner was hired on to fill the position as the eighth-grade English teacher. Wagner emerged as the top

candidate from a field of 80 applicants and nine finalists. Wagner served as a teacher assistant at Creston High School and student taught at Jenison Junior High.

Ellen Anker was hired to fill the seventh-grade reading position. Anker has a MA Degree pending from Calvin College with a major in reading.

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 7:00 - 8:15 pm • District financial review  
 • Review of potential ballot issues for Fall election

(Break at 8:15-8:30 pm)

Session II -  
 8:30 - 9:30 pm • Organization of millage campaign committee

**Where:** Lowell Middle School Cafetorium

**When:** Thursday, July 18, 1991  
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**Why:** The Lowell Board of Education requests community input regarding these issues.

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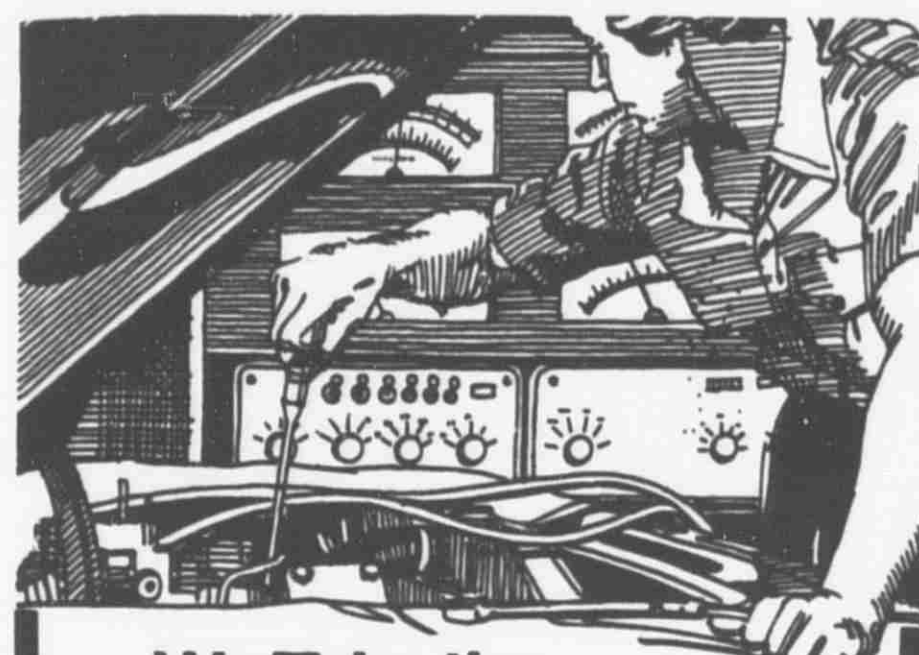
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## Peckham wouldn't change a thing as she prepares to celebrate her 90th birthday

Lowell woman crochets gifts of love for family and friends

From the time she was a little girl on her parents' farm, to now, as a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Lena Peckham has always been her own person. Raised on a Vergennes Township farm on Bailey Drive, the young Peckham, when given a choice would choose helping with the hay or milking cows over working in the house. "I guess you could say I

was a tomboy," Peckham explains. Now living with her daughter, Dolores Peckham on M-21 just east of Lowell, Peckham who will be celebrating her 90th birthday on Aug. 23, was still driving up until three years ago. "I'd still be driving had my family not sold my car," she laughs.

Many things about Peckham's life stray away from the common. At the top of that list are the 12 children she and her husband, William raised. Due to William's death in 1946, Peckham was on her own for much of it. "I worked nights. I would then be home in the morning to get the kids off to school and would take in washings and ironings during the day," Peckham recalls.

In 1947 she took a job with Doehler Jarvis, manufacturer of chrome parts for cars. She stayed with the company through October of 1966. "I had gallbladder problems in 1966 and never worked again," she says. During World War II she worked for the A.C. Spark Plug facility. "I had to get a permit in Grand Rapids to work in Ionia County," Peckham said.

Peckham fills her days reading newspapers and crocheting. She crochets doilies, afghans and hanging hand towels. "I give most of them away. I do sell a few," she says. "I'm very happy and content with my life."

Her family will celebrate Peckham's celebration of life on July 28 at Fallsburg Park's Pavilion from 2 until 5 p.m. Raising 12 children on her own for a good period of time was quite a struggle for Peckham. A struggle she'd love to do all over again. "I wouldn't change a thing. I love my kids," she says. Peckham faced a struggle she almost didn't survive just a year ago. She was sitting in Keiser's with Dolores for lunch when she got real cold and started to shake. She was taken to the hospital. She stayed there three weeks fighting pneumonia. "It almost killed me," she says as her daughter, Dolores and daughter-in-law, Margaret, shake their heads in concurrence. One year later though, the strong-willed Peckham has endured and seems to be as strong as ever. "I think my fight with pneumonia has hurt my memory."



Lena Peckham displays some of her crocheting work as she sits with her dog, Lady. Peckham celebrates her 90th birthday in August.

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# Lowell upgrades its adult education graduation requirements

Starting with the 1991-92 school year, all students in the adult education program in the LCTK (Lowell, Caledonia, Thornapple Kellogg) Consortium will be required to earn 20 credits to qualify for a diploma.

That was just one change in the new board-approved graduation requirements for adult education students.

The change in the number of credits earned only affected Caledonia, who was at 18. Both Lowell and Thornapple

Kellogg were already at 20.

The changes outlined by Dick Korb, Director of School and Community Services at the recent Board of Education meeting, were all monitored by the state before approved by the Lowell Board.

"The adult requirements coupled with the new curriculum at Lowell, puts the school in the upper 10 percent of Adult High School completion programs," according to State Department of Education's Sharon

Panchuk.

Korb points out, that as every program goes through the evaluation process, other schools will change and update the requirements for adult education also.

"Every three years schools go through a self and state evaluation of their adult education program," Korb said.

Over the last year, their have been over 300 students in the LCTK adult education districts. In Lowell alone, there were 80-85.

Korb says the Lowell program is set up to match and individualize the program for each student. One way in which it does this is by requiring the same amount of credits that would have been required of them had they graduated with their class.

If a student who was born before 1952, enters into Lowell's adult education program, the student would be required to earn 16 credits, equaling the standards that were set when he/she attended school.

Anyone who was born between 1952 and 1968 would be required to earn 18 credits, or 20 credits if born after 1968. In all cases, at least two of the credits must be earned in the

Lowell Adult Education program.

The revised required courses for a Lowell Adult Education diploma include three English credits; two math credits (up from 1); two science credits (up from one); two social studies credits; five computer credits; and one credit in either practical arts, fine arts and/or vocational.

Adult education students are also eligible to receive life experience/work experience credits. "This is a way for the school to recognize what a person has done in his/her life and give them some recognition for it," Korb said.

Finally, it is possible to earn five credits toward a diploma if an adult student scores at least 50 on each of the five GED tests.

However, in no case will

the total credits accumulated with GED testing, work experience, life experience, military experience be allowed to supplant more than 1/2 of the credits needed for the granting of an adult high school diploma.

July 9, 1991

An Open Letter to the Lowell Community:

Tammy Huisman is in Denver now and is finally undergoing her long awaited bone marrow transplant. The battle we have waged on her behalf, to raise funds for this costly procedure, is not over, however, and her personal battle with cancer has taken on some new, even frightening complications. But the wonderful thing, the joyful thing is that she is there and receiving the treatment that will save her life. All of us who have worked, struggled, slaved on all the various fund-raising projects and all those from the community who have participated in them can rejoice in the knowledge that what they have done has made a difference. And not just a little difference, but a big one. Not just a financial difference, but an emotional difference as well. Tammy has gone to Denver filled with the outpouring of love and caring for herself and her family from this community and is stronger and better for it. Whatever happens now, she knows that she and her family are loved by us all. How many things will we ever do in this life that have such an immediate and profound impact, an impact we can see and feel and know? Together we have accomplished what Tammy and her family could not have done alone.

So, on behalf of Tammy and her family, we thank you for your generous gifts, not just of money which have been substantial, but gifts of your time, your love, your understanding, your perseverance, your tenacity, your faith. How deeply indebted we feel to all of you, to Jody Haybarker, Pam Geer and the participating schools who raised \$7400.00 in submarine sandwich sales alone, to David Burch and the staff at Shearson Lehman Brothers who raised over \$700.00 in a mini-walkathon, to the Little League Team who went door-to-door for pop can donations, to all of the anonymous contributors who sent us checks, not knowing Tammy but believing she should have the medical treatment she needs, and of course, the list goes on. There were many, many more people who helped us in ways too numerous to mention here which were just as important, just as significant. We thank you all from the bottom of our hearts.

Just as we ask God to bless Tammy and keep her and watch over her, so we ask God the same things for each and all of you.

Sincerely,

Brenda Clark  
Chairperson, Tammy Huisman Fund

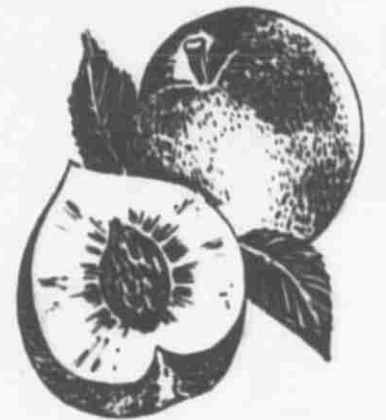
To the many, many people who gave of themselves out of compassion and understanding, whether it came in the form of coins dropped into a donation canister, organizing an event or making a monetary donation, please know that you have our everlasting gratitude, it is in the true spirit of life that we can give these gifts of time and patience and understanding from the heart not for anything else in return, and that if by happenstance the recognition comes, the accolades, the praise, then that is just a bonus because the real reward is the knowledge that we gave of ourselves the best we had and the community is better for it. As we enter this second leg of our journey we ask you to keep Tammy and her family in your thoughts and prayers and to continue your efforts however great or small.

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