

# The Lowell Ledger

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## 14 area girls prepare for Lowell Showboat Queen honors

Lowell Showboat Queen Pageant Chairman Sheila Dubbink set out to make the 1992 gala bigger and better than ever.

Just sheer numbers of contestants alone, has assured Dubbink of that feat.

There are 14 girls 16-21 years old who will vie for the 1992 crown. That total more than doubles last year's number of participants.

Dubbink agrees her daily contact with the high school girls has made a major difference.

"We were able to use all of the high school resources. I also believe publicizing the pageant earlier than we have in the past helped," Dubbink said.

The 1992 Showboat Pageant will be held this Saturday (March 28), 7 p.m. at the Lowell Middle School. Admission to the public will be \$1.50 per person.

Incorporated into the show will be local performers Corrie Durkee, Ron Wood and Becky Raymor. Showboat President, Gordon Gould will serve as emcee. Pageant escorts will be Andrew Breimayer and John Roudabush.

"I think this a good way to begin to get the youth in the community involved in the Showboat," Dubbink explained.

This will mark the first year that the pageant will be open to 16-year olds.

This year's contestants include Christine Ponchaud, Renee Nugent, Lori Esch, Tammy Allchin, Heather Haynes, Alicia Benson, Jodi Elenbaas, Rebecca Conner, Michele Chamberlain, Jennifer Brown, Sara Lesky, Kelly Cichon, Renea DeRidder, and Kimberly Tryon.

Christine L. Ponchaud  
The Lowell High School



senior will attend either Grand Rapids Community College or Central Michigan University in the fall where she will pursue a special education major in elementary education.

She is the 17-year old daughter of Jim and Carole Ponchaud, 1440 Fero Ave.

Ponchaud has earned such

honors as Student-of-the-Month, Athlete of the Week, sophomore homecoming representative, and a member of the Sweetheart Swirl Court.

She enjoys water sports and sewing for hobbies.



Renee Teresa Nugent  
The daughter of Terry and  
Queen, pg. 6

## Bardwells, Roll Away, get approval for Resort C license

Harry and Carol Bardwell, owners of Roll Away, Ltd. (805 E. Main) received approval for a new 12 month Resort C license with a Dance Permit and SDM (packaged beer and wine).

Bardwells applied for a new 12 month Resort C license to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

Approval by the State was subject to a recommendation of the City Council.

Bardwells were one of 12 approved for a license, 70 to 100 applied.

This will enable the Bardwells to serve the bowling customers liquor refreshments. However, no bar will be constructed. It was noted that the Bardwells have no particular plans related to the packaged beer and wine license.

The Lowell Police Department completed a local investigation and found no problems with the application.

Since the First United Methodist Church is within 500 feet of the establishment, its opinion was requested. Bardwells said in talking to the Church it received no reservations from it.

tween 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., March 26 at Moose Recreational Building, 1320 E. Fulton. if time allows.

### LOWELL FMB BANK OPEN HOUSE

Lowell FMB State Savings Bank will hold an open house in honor of Lu Green and Annie Wittenbach, who both are retiring after over 30 years of service.

Cookies and refreshments will be available to all. Everyone is invited to wish Lu and Annie happiness in their retirement.

### MOBILE MAMMOGRAPHY UNIT

The Butterworth Mobile Mammography Unit will be at Family Fare on April 10.

Call 776-1372 for appointment. Walk-ins may be accepted



## Think Spring?

Arnie Kimball, 202 N. Hudson, spent his first Sunday of Spring clearing the approximately 10 inches of snow from his and neighboring sidewalks. The snow started to fall late Saturday afternoon and continued to fall through the night. Much to the chagrin of those thinking Spring, plenty of shoveling and scraping was needed Sunday morning.

### NO CHARGE TAX RETURNS FOR SENIORS

Tax returns for senior citizens are being prepared at no charge by A.A.R.P. trained counselors at the Senior Center on South Hudson Street.

Appointments can be made by calling 897-5949.

### LOWELL SHOWBOAT PAGEANT

The Lowell Showboat Pageant will be held in the Middle School Auditorium at 7 p.m., March 28. Entertainment will be provided by Becky Raymor, Ron Wood, Cory Durkee. Admission is \$1.50.

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### COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION

Commodities will be distributed, to those eligible, be-



# Obituaries

**COLSON (GRUSS)** - Mrs. Mary Lynn Colson, aged 35, of Kentwood, passed away Monday, March 16, 1992 in Chicago after a courageous battle with leukemia. Surviving are her husband, Mark; three children, Chad, Scott and Janelle; parents, Clarence and Jacqueline Gruss of Grand Rapids; mother and father-in-law, George and Arlene Colson of Ft. grandparents, Al and Caroline Snyder of Grand Rapids; seven sisters and one brother, Carol Dykstra of Lowell, Nancy Spears of Kentwood, Judy Scalon of Kalamazoo, Susan Bush of Kentwood, Debra Gummere of Kentwood, Timothy Gruss of Door, Patricia Bunker of Wyoming, Ann Nikels of Kentwood. Funeral Mass was offered Friday in St. Mary Magdalen Church. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family suggest memorials to Mary Lynn Colson Trust Foundation.

**LUDWIG** - Mrs. Prospera Ludwig, aged 84, passed away on Thursday, March 19, 1992 at Cumberland Manor, Lowell. She was preceded in death by her husband, Gerald Ludwig and daughter, Julie Demers. She is survived by her son, Philip Ludwig of Manhattan Beach, CA; her seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; her sisters, Mrs. Elinor Borden of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Mariquita Smith of Antioch, CA. The Funeral Mass and Committal Service was celebrated Monday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, with Interment in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

**MANGE** - Richard D. Mange, 88, of Ishpeming, passed away March 19, 1992 at the Mather Nursing Center where he had been a patient. Mr. Mange was born October 13, 1903 in Lowell, and graduated from Lowell High School in 1921. He was a graduate of Albion College in 1925 and received his MBA from Northwestern University in 1927. He was also a graduate of the Rutgers University Stonier Graduate School of Banking. His banking career included the Lowell State Bank, where he worked under the supervision of his father. Mr. Mange moved to Ishpeming in 1988. He was a

past treasurer of Bay View Association, an honorary Trustee of Albion College, a life time member of the Kiwanis Club, a member of Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity and Wesley United Methodist Church, Ishpeming. He is survived by two sons, Robert of Detroit, John of Burt Lake, one daughter, Jeanette Ruusi of Ishpeming, one sister, Dorothy Bliss of Good Hart, 10 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. He was predeceased by his wife Charlotte in 1988 and his brother Lester in 1991. A scholarship fund has been established in his name at the Bay View Association, Conservatory of Music, Bay View. Burial will be in the Oakwood Cemetery, Lowell and a memorial service will be held this summer in Petoskey.

**SHEPARD** - Dr. Richard Alan Shepard M.D., aged 47, of Scottsdale, AZ, passed away Monday March 16, 1992. Dr. Shepard is survived by his mother, Laura Shepard of Lowell, MI; brother, James Terrell Shepard and his wife Jan; nieces, Shannon and Shelli; nephew, Andrew, all of Holt. Memorial Services were held Saturday at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Parnell. Cremation has taken place.

**TUCKER** - Mr. Clarence W. Tucker, aged 84, of Wyoming, passed away early Wednesday evening, January 18, 1992. Surviving are his wife,

Cleo H. Tucker; two children, Roselyn and Paul Friedli of Saranac, Richard and Darlene of Wyoming; eight grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, one sister, Catherine and Chet Warner of Clarksville; several nieces, nephews and cousins. Funeral Services including Committal were held Saturday at the Zaagman Memorial Chapel, The Rev. Ronald Skidmore officiating. Entombment Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. Memorial contributions may be made to South Congregational Church or to the Kent County Humane Society.

**RICHARDS** - John J. Richards, aged 62, of Grand Rapids and Lowell, passed away March 19, 1992. He is survived by his wife, Jean; and daughter, Holly of Grand Rapids; mother, Henrietta Richards of Sturgis; many other family members and good friends. Memorial Service were held Tuesday, March 24, 1992 at Fountain Street Church. Memorial contributions to Hospice of Greater Grand Rapids.

**WOOD** - Mrs. Ola A. Wood, widow of Oscar M. Wood, born February 2, 1904 in Puxico, MO, passed away unexpectedly Sunday, March 15, 1992. Surviving are her children, Ernestine (Chick) and Earl (Lee) Jones of Grand Rapids, Delbert and Johanna Wood of Grand Rapids, Elmer Wood of San Antonio, TX, Joyce Abbott of Renton, WA, Patricia Ring

and Tom Smith of Lowell, Terry Wood of Grand Rapids; 13 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. Funeral Services were held Wednesday at Metcalf &

Johkhoff Chapel, Rev. Harvey J. Baas of Pioneer Christian Reformed Church officiating. Interment Fairplains Cemetery. Memorials to the Arthritis Foundation will be appreciated.



**Saranac women wins dollhouse**

Jane Meyers, Parsonage Street, Saranac, was the winner of the March 3 VFW Post 8303 doll house drawing. The doll house was made by Charles Melle. The \$250 raised through the raffle will be used to help send children 7-12 years old to Camp Trotter at Bill's Lake in Newaygo. The camp runs from the first of July to the end of August. Above, Meyers stands with Melle.

# Main St., cont'd.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFERS CPR TRAINING

Hop to it and learn CPR. The Lowell Area Fire Department will be sponsoring an American Heart Association adult CPR course April 9, from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Fire Department. Cost is \$5. To register call 897-9679.

## LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

The conference schedule for the Middle School and High School is as follows: April 1 - full day for students, conferences 5 to 9 p.m.; April 2 - full day for students, conferences 6 to 8 p.m.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Lowell Area Fire Department's Pancake Breakfast will be held Saturday, March 28. An "All you can eat" breakfast of pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee & milk will be served from 7 to 11 a.m. at the Look Memorial Fire Station, 315 S. Hudson. The cost is \$3.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children. The proceeds will be going toward a rescue vehicle.

## OFF THE BLOTTER

Todd Spaulding, 22, of Belding, was involved in a property damage accident, March 18, when he collided with a car driven by Sean Lamar, 20, also of Belding, on South Hudson near Ottawa. Lamar was attempting to pass as Spaulding was turning left.

David Miles, 32, of Lowell reported to Lowell police that his car was damaged when it left M-21 near Alden Nash and struck a culvert. No one was injured.

A vehicle driven by Arlene Spickler, 48, of Lowell struck a pick-up truck in the rear, which was driven by a 16 year old juvenile from Lowell. The accident occurred at the High School drive exit on to Foreman, March 18. No one was injured.

Isabelle Yurkinas, 78, of Lowell, turned left on Bowes Road near Pleasant Street, into the path of a car driven by Michael Kline, 28, also of Lowell, on March 17. No one was injured.

A 16 year old juvenile, from Lowell, backed the car he was driving into a pick-up truck driven by Michael Brimm, 17, of Ada in the High School parking lot, March 10. No injuries were reported.

Deborah Beimers, 41, of Lowell, backed the vehicle she was driving into a car driven by Christine Wieland, 20, also of Lowell, while in a parking lot on West Main near Ridgeview, March 5. No one was injured.

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A bulldozer is a machine that can make mole-hills out of mountains.

Anonymous

A vehicle stolen on the north side of the city, March 17, was found in the high school lot the next day by it's owner. The incident is under investigation.

Edwin Phillips, 31, of Lowell was arrested by Lowell officers, March 22, on a warrant issued out of a Kent County court.

# GRATTAN TOWNSHIP NOTICE WANTED

Persons interested in serving on the Safety Board of Appeals.

Also Persons interested in filling future vacancies in the following:

- 1) Office help
- 2) Election Workers

Contact Grattan Township Office  
11676 Old Belding Rd.  
Belding, MI 48809  
691-8450

Prior to April 11, 1992

**JOHNSON** - Hunter Ian Johnson, beloved infant son of Beau and Jennifer Johnson of Grand Rapids, died March 17, 1992. He is also survived by special aunt and uncle, Jessica and Jacob VanPutten of Lowell. Graveside Services were Friday 1:00 p.m. at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. Rev. William Amundsen officiating.

## Correction

In the March 4 story, about the Clark-Ellis Legion Auxiliary Girls State Delegates being selected, it should have stated the Lowell Rotary Club sponsors two of the girls.

## Legal Notice

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF KENT  
PUBLICATION AND  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
FILE NO. 90-151,173

In the matter of  
BRITTANY TOMLINSON  
(minor)  
TO: MICHALLE WOLFE,  
whose address is unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:  
TAKENOTICE: On APRIL 14, 1992 at 11:00 a.m., in the probate courtroom, Grand Rapids, Michigan, before Hon. Donald J. DeYoung, judge of Probate, a hearing will be held on the Petition for Discharge or Modification of Guardianship.

MARCH 17, 1992  
MARTHA WALKINGTON  
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Trufant, MI 49347-9727

PAMELA J. TYLER  
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Russian proverb

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## Homespun Devotions

By Pauline Spray

But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it (Romans 8:25).

Some people prefer the first piece of pie. Others clamor for the largest portion. Still there are those who eagerly reach for the piece with the most sugar on top. I like the last piece best, especially if I am allowed to eat it out of the pie dish. The extra cher-

ries, the sweet juice, or the overflow of pudding, accompanies the final piece—my reward for waiting.

So often in our work for the Lord we are inclined to demand immediate results. But we need to learn the secret of waiting for Him to give the increase.

Margaret Slattery said: "We teach and impatiently cry for results. God teaches, and

with majestic patience waits through the years for the lesson to be learned. We see the sowing, and are sometimes discouraged. God sees the ultimate harvest, and there is no discouragement with Him." It isn't easy to wait for the

last piece of pie, but it's worth it—if I can "scrape the pie dish."

Prayer: O God, when I would be impatient, teach me to wait quietly for Thee. When I demand hurried results, help me to rest and trust, knowing

Thou art working and will give the increase in Thine own way and time. Amen.

Be still my soul: thy God doth undertake To guide the future as He has the past.

Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake; All now mysterious shall be bright at last.

JANE LAURIE BORTHWICK

## Woodland Gospel Quartet to visit Lowell

Will perform at April 5 Lenten Service

The Alto United Methodist Women will be holding their Annual Lenten Service, April 5.

Their evening of worship will begin with a luncheon at 6 p.m. at the church followed by a gospel sing with The Woodland Gospel Quartet.

The Woodland Gospel Quartet has been singing Southern gospel music throughout the state of Michigan for over ten years. They have also sung in southern Indiana, where they were well received in the heartland of Southern gospel music.

The Woodland Gospel Quartet originally consisted of five men who had volunteered to provide music for the Sunday worship services in their local church. This group of amateurs, now consisting of six persons, includes a factory worker, a full-time farmer, a retired wholesale



Woodland Gospel Quartet

farm equipment dealer, a school employee, a retired school administrator, and a nursing home employee. Only two members are from the original group. These men

represent five different churches and three different denominations. Although they pursue their usual vocations, they devote many off

hours singing for the Lord. They have recorded two albums, WESING PRAISES, and THANK YOU, LORD.

## Happy Birthday

MAR. 26: Jan Easton, Margaret Hoats, Bob Perry, Carol Maynard, Jan Silvis, Rose Hildenbrand, Jacque Vichan.

MAR. 27: Adam Tichelaar, Joel Roudabush, Lee Baldwin, Kimberly Weeks, Jason Pine.

MAR. 28: Doris Anderson, Jason Curtiss, Tammy Stepek, Randy Dintaman, Dale Finkler, Mamie Stahl.

MAR. 29: John Ellison, Rick Huver, Cathy McCabe, Sandra VanWeelden, Ron Potter.

MAR. 30: Delores Ellison, Ron Howard.

MAR. 31: Peter Kemp, Tera Raab, Lilly Rose Hawkins, Tony Heykoop, Maxine Post. APR. 1: Christopher Vollink, John VanTassell, Cristi Ponchard, Hazel Leali.



From left to right Steve Junewick, Adam Mix, Rick Mockerman, Peg Vasbinder and John Coe.

## Vasbinder contributes time to LMS art

Peg Vasbinder came to Lowell Middle School Art Club after school in October to pick up her daughter, Amber, who is in sixth grade. She was excited about art and about the students working in art. Karen Lambert, art teacher and adviser, immediately invited her to help out. It is now nearing the end of the school year and Peg is still enthusiastically helping out the students both in Art Club and

each sixth grade art class since then. Lately, she has been coming early and helping with seventh grade first hour, also.

The students like Peg and appreciate the help and extra attention she gives them. She also makes projects and works along with them. She receives a lot of "Wows!" and "Radicals!" Travis Ginsberg says, "Thank you for taking the time to care about my work." Art, cont'd., pg. 6

## Area Births

We thank the Lord for blessing us with our son, Tyler John Schneider was born on Friday, March 13, weighing 8 lbs. 8 ozs. and measuring 21 1/2 inches long. Proud parents are John and Mandy Schneider.

Tyler's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Garth Olsen, Terri Bristol, Mr. and Mrs. John Schneider, Sr., of Lowell and Mrs. John Rolofs of Ada. Great-grandparents are

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lind, Mr. and Mrs. Red Bristol and Mr. and Mrs. William Geldersma.

Also welcoming Tyler is his sister Lindsey Schneider and his cousins David, Kyle and Mat Rosema, Christopher Barlow and Joshua Bosley.

Tim and Terri Bergy, of Lowell, have adopted a daughter, Kari Lynn. She was born December 2, 1991 and weighed 7 lbs. 9 ozs.

Grand parents are Don and Sandra Bergy of Lowell and Ben and Pat Frazer of Saranac.

Great-grandparents are Florence Bergy of Lowell, Doris Conner of Saranac and Frances Lang of Ionia.

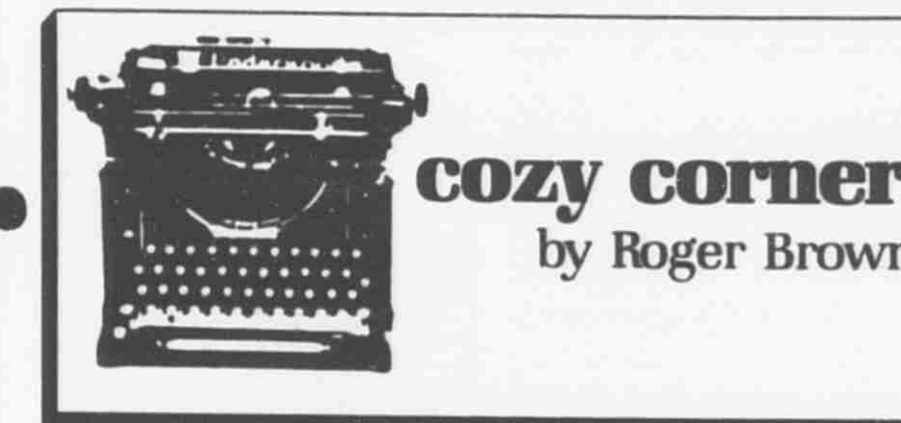
## LHS band places second

The Lowell High School 92 member Symphonic Band received a second division rating at the District 10 Band Festival.

The festival was held at Forest Hills Central Auditorium.

The Symphonic Band is part of the 146 member instrumental music department at the high school. Band director Bob Rice commented, "The band played very well, and I was very proud of them." Subsequently, the

# Viewpoint . . .



cozy corner by Roger Brown

If I said, "I got a ticket the other day," you would most likely assume I had been issued a traffic citation . . . probably for speeding. You would never consider that this might be a good ticket. You know, a ticket to the Tigers home opener, a plane ticket to Acapulco or a winning Lotto ticket. No, you would automatically assume that I'd been tagged by a traffic cop. I've been around long enough to know that's how most people think. If there's an assumption to be made, human nature assumes the worst. Trouble is, human nature is usually right. It sure is in this case. The radar got me at 69 in a 55. The cop wrote me up for 65. Nice guy.

This is my first ticket in several years. I typically drive faster than I should. Not terribly fast, but fast enough to prove my masculinity to Porsche and Corvette drivers with radar detectors clipped to their sun visors. I don't know why I hadn't been caught lately. Just chalk it up to good clean living I guess.

Quick! Who knows the Heimlich maneuver? I hear some of my readers choking out there!

I was given a warning a few months ago. I was stopped for 59 in a 35. I didn't have my seat belt on and the proof of insurance slips I found in my glove box dated back to the Crusades! I don't know why the guy let me off. It's not like I hiked up my trousers and gave him a glimpse of my leg. Maybe he let me go because I didn't hike up my trousers.

I mention the warning because it did slow me down for awhile. I earn my living in my car selling advertising for the Buyers Guide. I look at accumulating points, and possibly losing my driver's license, as a grave threat to my livelihood. Consequently, after I was issued the warning I kept within the speed limit until I was certain I had left the cop's radar range.

Back to the ticket. Here are the circumstances. It had been a hectic day at work and I was heading west on M-21. I was already running late for a 6:00 appointment in Grand Rapids. I'd been trapped behind some slow traffic on the two-lane between Lowell and Ada. (I thought all those Rambler drivers with the perpetually blinking left turn signal went to Florida in the winter!) I'd been boxed in on the four-lane a couple of times by creeps drifting along in the left lane, oblivious to those of us willing to risk life & limb, not to mention our licenses. When I finally busted out of the congested traffic I stepped down on the accelerator. In the professional jargon of those who've made law enforcement a career, I'd become what

they call, "an #@%\*&?%# just itchin' for a ticket!"

The cop asked me if I knew why he had stopped me. I felt like saying, "Oh . . . I don't know, are you taking an opinion poll or something?" But I simply hung my head and said, "probably speeding?" He said, "I had you at 69 back there. I'm going to write it for 65. It'll take about ten minutes." Then the jerk left. I didn't even get a chance to use my favorite excuse! I was going to tell him my wife had run off with a cop several months ago, and I was speeding because I thought it was him trying to bring her back. Even traffic cops sometimes have a sense of humor.

When I finally got to my appointment, I spent some time organizing my car. I had virtually emptied the glove box and my pockets in search of my license, registration and proof of insurance. Besides, I was already late and still steamed up over getting a ticket. I needed a few moments to let my face cool down from scarlet red to a less distinctive ruby. During this re-organization of my car, I somehow became disorganized in my routine of locking and leaving the car. When I returned three hours later I discovered I'd locked myself out. You might call this poetic justice, but I look at it as material for next week's column.

## Letters

Dear Editor,

I am writing due to concerns over our High School's handling of our athletes and their interpretation of the related policies.

Recently, the School reacting to rumors, hearsay and an unsigned letter, felt it was in the best interest of our Sports Program to suspend one of their young athletes for the remainder of the season.

Trying to prove the young athlete guilty of a Misdemeanor, the School came up with absolutely no evidence except self-incriminating evidence they obtained through threatening the young man.

Based upon this self-incriminating evidence the School subsequently imposed the maximum penalty.

The School found the athlete guilty of the following Athletic Policy: "Athletes accused of a felony or misdemeanor will be presumed innocent unless clear and reasonable conclusions are available as to the guilt or innocence of the athlete."

What happened with this young athlete was a private matter to be handled by his parents and a private party. The School tried at least three times to obtain information from the "alleged accuser" and was told each time that this was a private matter and none of their business. As the parents of the child, my wife and I pleaded with the School to stay out of this private matter.

The above policy states "Athletes accused", so we asked the School who the "accuser" was? We were told that he was guilty by association; he self-incriminated himself, therefore he must have been accused.

I believe that in this matter, the School was way "off-base" and instead of trying to correct the situation, held firm to their original guilty verdict to protect their Power and not to set precedence. I further

believe that the most important person regarding this matter, the athlete, was made the least important person so that power and precedence could be preserved.

Sincerely,  
JOHN V. DUNN

Dear Editor,

I'm writing in regards to a real problem we face in our country. It's called apathy, and at this particular time I'm referring to our apathy as a community with our school board.

I've been attending most of the board meetings since last fall and the meetings are poorly attended. There's always school administrators

there and sometimes some of the teaching staff, but usually less than five average "John Q. Citizens."

What actually prompted me to start going last fall, was that I was angry they were giving Dr. Esch a 5.5 percent raise, but cutting things that directly affected the kids. Do you know that approximately 85 percent of our school budget is spent on wages and benefits leaving only about 15 percent to spend on all the other areas?

I'm not anti-school or even anti-administration but, I do think that some things could be done more efficiently. If we don't like the way things are run we have to get in-

involved, hold the board accountable and attend the meetings so that we know what's happening!

I know it's not easy. I have three boys under age eight. I'm involved at their schools, Alto and Runciman, I work part-time, I'm helping my husband build our new home and we're active in our church. I say all this to say I understand time limitations, it would be very easy to say "I don't have time."

It's something you have to make time for. I encourage you to set aside your excuses and come! None of us will accomplish much on our own, or by simply complaining. We must get involved and be a

part of the process, and do it together.

I care about what happens in our district I grew up in and graduated from Lowell. Now I'm a parent and taxpayer. I'm sure there are lots of other folks that care too, come and join us at the meetings won't you?

School Board meetings are held the second Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Middle School media center.

Patty Austin

When I advanced to high school I graciously put an end to my athletic career.

Childhood allows all of us to identify our strengths and weaknesses. Then, if we're smart, we tackle things that play into our strengths.

There is one memorable undertaking I did as a youth I took piano lessons. I use to finish up my paper route and then ride over to my instructors home to practice and take lessons.

Being a middle child of nine, one of the sacrifices our family made, was there was no grand piano sitting in our living room.

Because of this, I use to practice piano at home on our kitchen table. Basically it was more an exercise in finger dexterity. It was probably a blessing for my family, we all know there is nothing more distracting than the music (noise) a person generates from an instrument he or she hasn't learned how to play yet.

I shared the story of my piano days with a few fellow employees. I also told them that I still have a desire to take up piano lessons again some day. Not that I want to or could become a Liberace, but I always thought I'd like to learn to play the piano well enough to satisfy this hunger inside me.

A few days later I found on my light table, an ad torn out of a magazine. At the top it read "The first piano that teaches you how to play it." It was called the Miracle Piano Teaching System. The cost was only \$399. I'm sure there was supposed to be a message there.

The premise of the ad was for those who have dreamed of playing a piano, but thought it would take a miracle.

This miracle keyboard features a sustain pedal, and full sized velocity-sensitive key.

This miracle piano creates lessons by drawing on its own extensive library of classical, pop and show tunes. It says it teaches children and adults alike how to read notes, understand rhythm and, best of all, make music.

I could only hope after \$400 and many lessons, such a miracle would occur.

## Thad's Thoughts

I have a marble paper weight on a shelf in my apartment that reads "The world is yours if you seek it."

It's great for the soul to believe you can do anything if you put your mind to it. Although, through the process of aging we all learn our shortcomings. By the time you reach the ripe old age of 30, or even sooner, a person pretty much knows what he or she is capable of.

If in 30 years you've never been able to carry a note, you're not going to wake up on your 31st birthday and sing like Barry Manilow. There are some out there who wouldn't want to.

As a youngster I realized, after two full weeks of Boy Scouts and a campout, that I was never going to be an Eagle Scout, nor did I have the desire to.

The only campout I ever attended as a Boy Scout I was partnered up with a classmate. The sun had set, a thunderstorm had set in and I was standing on top of a hill, which at the time seemed to be the highest point at the campsite, basically doing my best imitation of a human lightning rod. Being the tallest of the two, it did not seem like the ideal place to be. My partner was the only one in camp who didn't have his tent up before the storm came. I was no help at all, the only thing I knew about a tent, was how to spell it.

As a fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth-grader I also tried athletics. I was somewhat tall, and skinny to the point of being sickly looking. But because of my love for athletics I stuck it out. In those four years I learned about a thing called coordination. It was something new to me. It was also something I didn't have.



# Showboat Queen Pageant...

Jean Nugent, 4825 Lincoln Lake Rd., intends on graduating from Michigan State University with an agricultural degree in either communications, marketing, or education. Nugent enjoys sports, race cars and cross stitching as hobbies.

The 18-year old senior is a member of the National Honor Society and Future Farmers of America. With the FFA she has served as chapter secretary, chapter reporter and region 5 sentinel.

As a high school athlete she was named co-captain, All-Conference and most valuable player.

Nugent was named state winner in dairy showmanship and was state runner-up in prepared public speaking.



**Lori Esch**  
The 1988 graduate from Lowell High School plans on teaching emotionally impaired students so that she may help them develop a positive self-esteem, a desire to learn, the ability to dream and the knowledge to accomplish those dreams.

Her hobbies include swimming, volleyball and outdoor activities.

Esch is included on the

Dean's List at Grand Valley State University. She was also named GVSU's most improved swimmer. Esch is the daughter of Fritz and Sandy Esch, 590 Shepard Dr.



**Tamara Allchin**  
The 18-year old senior will study marine biology at Grand Valley State University in the fall.

Allchin is the daughter of Greg and Judy Allchin at 9359 Bennett, Ada.

She is an active member of the Women's Club, a four-year cheerleader, a track performer and a member of the annual staff.

Tamara enjoys being with people and all sporting activities.



**Heather Elizabeth Haynes**  
The daughter of Michael Haynes and Carol Klukas, 1848 Woodrun, Heather's future plans include teaching

math and dance. Heather has been dancing for 11 years. She earned second place at the Orchards Mall Dance Competition for tap dancing. In her senior year she has served as the secretary for Teens Educating America's Minors. Haynes has also been a mat minder for wrestling and a volleyball manager.



**Alicia Benson**  
The Lowell junior enjoys swimming, reading and photography in her free time.

Alicia has been a football cheerleader for two years, active in school gymnastics for one year, club gymnastics for 10 years and track for one year.

Her future plans include studying child psychology and one day to become a doctor of psychology. She loves children and wants to help them in every way she can.

Alicia is the daughter of Jack and Rosemarie Benson, 1806 Veronica.

**Jodi Elenbaas**  
The daughter of Bonnie and Eldon Elenbaas, 10818 Deerwood, is interested in pursuing a career in criminal justice, possibly as a police officer in an effort to help make the State of Michigan a better place to live.



She is active in Teens Involved and is a member of the high school gymnastic team.

Jodi considers herself to be very outgoing and loves to be around people. She has also served as a MDA camp counselor.

She enjoys gymnastics and sailing as hobbies.



**Rebecca Conner**  
The 16-year old Lowell High School student intends to become a child psychologist. She loves children and wants to be able to help them in any way she can.

Rebecca is active in track, Teens Involved, the International Club, and the Color Guard.

Rebecca is the daughter of Virginia and Allen Conner of 1116, Bowes Rd.



**Michele Christine Chamberlain**  
The 1989 Lowell High School graduate is currently enrolled at Grand Rapids Community College.

She enjoys aerobics and bowling in her free time. Michele's future ambitions include becoming a gymnastics or cheerleading coach, giving her an opportunity to give other young people the team experiences and leadership her coaches gave to her.

While in high school she was active in gymnastics for four years, football cheerleader for three years, annual staff two years. At Grand Valley State University she has been active as a football and basketball cheerleader.

Michele was a volunteer at the 1991 Special Olympics, she was a volunteer at the 1991 Kent Special Riding Program's Ride-a-Thon, and is currently involved in D.A. Blodgett's Big Brother/Big Sister program.

Chamberlain is also registered to participate in the Super Cities Walk for Multiple Sclerosis.

She is the daughter of Wayne and Carol Chamberlain, 10981 Sconcewood Dr.

daughter of Dennis and Diane Brown, 2209 Fallasburg Park Dr.

Her future ambition is to become a lawyer or medical researcher. She also enjoys public speaking and showing animals at the 4-H Fair.



She is active with Teens Involved, the International Club, FFA-reporter, varsity girls basketball manager, track and the annual staff.

Her hobbies include writing, reading and sporting activities.



**Sara Lesky**  
The Lowell High School senior hopes to help the environment around her through biological and ecological studies in college and on the job training and to educate others to do the same.

Sara is the daughter of Mike and Sharon Lesky, 4365 Bedaki. She enjoys running, swimming, biking, camping, painting and crafts as her hobbies.

She is captain of the Lowell cross country team, a class representative to the student council.

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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 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, 12675 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.

**MONDAYS:** Overeaters Anonymous New meeting. 7:30 p.m. at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 10305 Bluewater Hwy., Lowell. Call 361-5463. Come join us!

**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 Fish-

ing 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 7 p.m. at the Lowell City Hall. New members welcomed. Membership 21-39 years of age. Leadership training through community involvement.

**TUESDAYS - Lowell Community Education:** invites you to a line dance class from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the First Methodist Church on 621 E. Main in Lowell. This is a fun way to exercise using repeated pattern steps to dance with music. Come join the fun and exercise your way to a healthier you. \$1 donation.

**TUESDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly:** #M 1372 meets every Tuesday evening at the Lowell Congregational Church basement. Corner of Spring and Hudson Sts. Weigh-ins at 5:45 p.m.

**EVERY TUESDAY MORNING - Ladies:** join us for Coffee Break Bible Study and Children's Story Hour at Calvary Christian Reformed Church, 1151 W. Main, Lowell. 9:30-10:45 Nursery provided.

**ALTERNATE WEDNESDAYS:** Jan. 29, Feb. 12 & 26, March 11 & 25. Community Soup Kitchen, Saranac Community Church, 125 S. Bridge St. No reservation necessary. For information call 642-6322. To donate some food items or help serve call the church or Emily Laird, 642-9197.

**WEDNESDAY - Rollaway Ltd. Senior Bowling:** 1 p.m. 55 and over.

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

**FIRST WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH:** Alzheimers Support Groups meet at 1 p.m. at Lowell Medical Center and at 6:30 p.m. at Cumberland Retirement Village. Phone, 897-4810 for information.

**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.

**EVERY THURS.:** Co-dependents Anonymous (COCA) meets every Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Serenity Club, 101 W. Main, Lowell.

**THURSDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly:** #M 1372 meets every Tuesday evening at the Saranac Public Library. Weigh-ins at 6:45 p.m.

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

**FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY:** The Alto Lions Club meets at Dari's at 7 p.m.

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

**2ND THURSDAY OF MONTH:** All Lowell Area Senior Citizens are invited to attend the Lowell Community Ed Lunch and Learn at 12:15 p.m. given at the Lowell High School. Cost of lunch is \$2.10.

**SATURDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly:** #M 1493 meets every Sat. at 8:30 a.m. in the Congrega-

tional 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 Club 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 THIRD SUNDAY:** The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse at 18841 Potters Rd. New members and guests are welcome.

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

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

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

**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.

**ALTO LIBRARY HOURS:** Open Tues. 12 - 8 p.m.; Thurs. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Phone 868-6038.

**THURS., MARCH 26:** Runciman/Riverside "Celebration of China," open house, 7 p.m.

**THURS., MARCH 26:** Commodities will be distributed between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., at Moose Recreational Building.

**SAT., MARCH 28:** Lowell Area Fire Department's Pancake Breakfast. All you can eat. Serving from 7-11 a.m. at the Look Memorial Fire Station, 315 S. Hudson, Lowell; Adults \$3.50, children \$1.50. Proceeds go toward a rescue vehicle.

**TUES., APRIL 14:** Runciman/Riverside's PTO at 7 p.m.

**THURS., APRIL 2:** Vergennes Cooperative Club meets at Schneider Manor, 1 p.m. Hostesses: Aileen McCabe, Ellen Alberts, Dorothy Byrne, & Elva Watson. Program - Grace MacNaughten, chalk folk artist, & Judy Johnson, soloist, on Easter hymnology. Sponsor, Ann Booth.

**WED., APRIL 8:** Snow United Methodist Church at 3189 Snow Ave. SE, will serve a family style turkey dinner commencing at 5:30 p.m. Ticket sales begin at 4 p.m.

**THURS., APRIL 9:** The Lowell Area Fire Department will be sponsoring an American Heart Association adult CPR course, from 6 to 10 p.m., at the Fire Department. Cost is \$5. To register call 897-9679.

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## Art, continued...

Mahrya, Cherelle, Travis, Ryan, Mike and Aaron speak for all the students, in thanking Mrs. V. for helping them.

In a letter to Lowell Middle School, Vabinder states, "I appreciated you letting me come in and help with the students. I love to see the

look of satisfaction on their faces after completing something they made with their own hands. The love and care you give to each student makes me wish I would have had teachers like yourselves. It makes a big difference when you love your work."

Sara is the daughter of Mike and Sharon Lesky, 4365 Bedaki. She enjoys running, swimming, biking, camping, painting and crafts as her hobbies.

She is captain of the Lowell cross country team, a class representative to the student council.

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# Queen, continued...

cil, a member of the Art Club, and a member of the track and cross country teams.

Lesky has also served as a girl scout summer camp counselor, a Mackinaw Island honor scout and Governor's Color Guard, a three-year state qualifier in cross country and is currently working on the completion of the Girl Scout Gold Award (equivalent to an Eagle Scout).

### Kelly Jo Cichon

The 1990 Lowell graduate will be transferring to Central Michigan University in the fall where she will obtain a bachelor's degree in elementary education.

She believes an important task as an adult is to educate today's children, our future leaders.

Kelly is the daughter of



Terry and Colleen Cichon, 9022 Three Mile Rd. NE, Ada.

She considers herself outgoing, friendly, caring and polite and enjoys being with others. She also enjoys working with children. Cichon served as a teacher's aid at Bushnell Elementary School.

She made the Dean's List at

Grand Rapids Community College, earned the Grand Rapids Foundation Scholarship, the Doyle Scholarship, the M.B. Bissell Scholarship and was on the honor roll all four years in high school.

Cichon has been active in the Rotary Club, the Art Club, the International Club, Teens Involved, Young Democrats, Close-Up and the youth group at St. Patrick's.



graduate. She is currently in her third year at Western Michigan University.

She desires a future as a high school math teacher. She considers a good education very important to a young person's future.

Kimberly is the daughter of Sandra and Gerald Tryon, 1773 Woodrun Ct.

She has registered for the Super Cities Walk for Multiple Sclerosis in Kalamazoo in April. Tryon was named to the Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Kimberly has been an active member of the International Club, and Treasurer of the Young Democrats.

Her favorite hobbies include volleyball and golf.

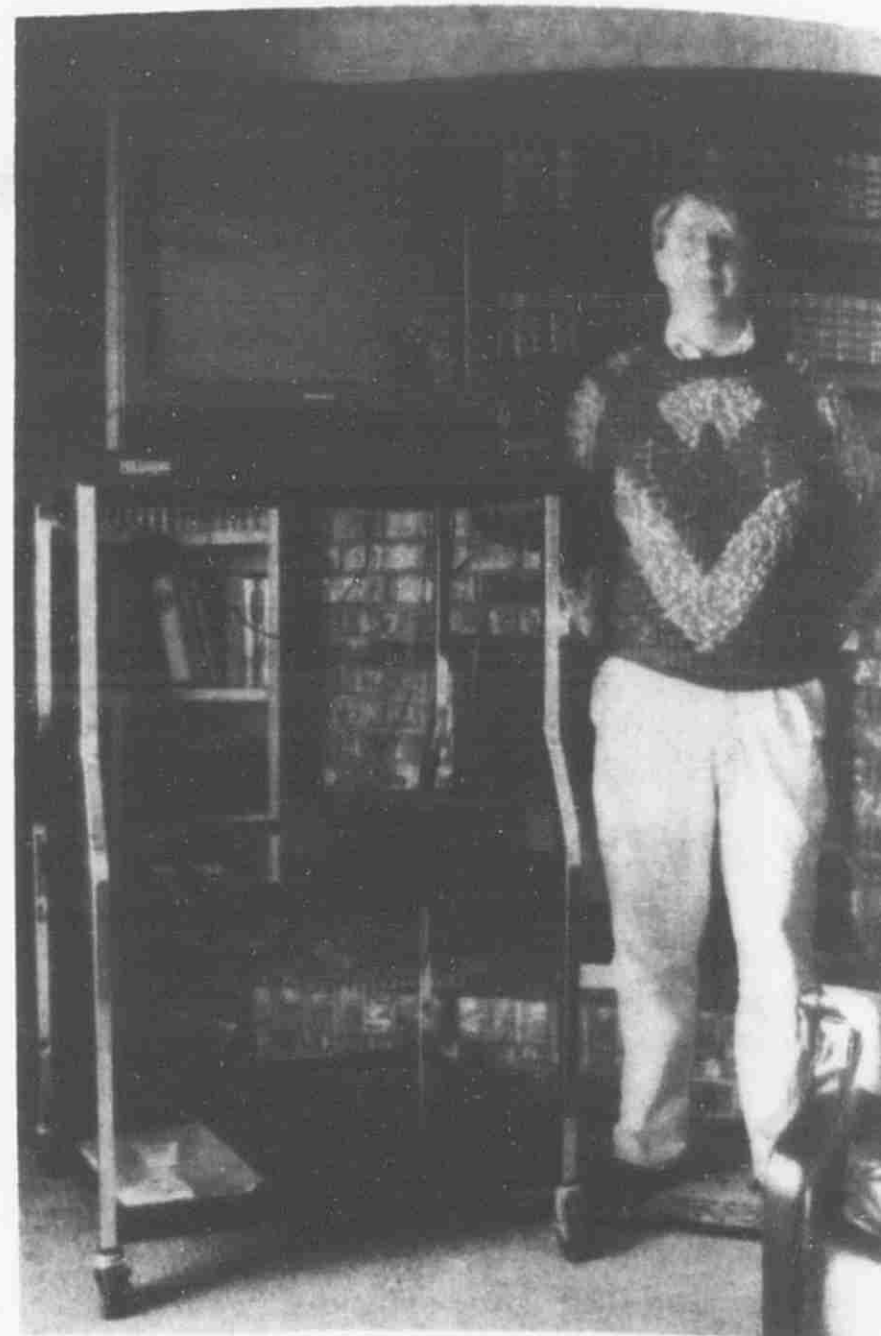
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Childhood is that brief interval between infancy, when they say "A whole penny!" and adolescence, when they say "Only five dollars!"

### Kimberly A. Tryon

Kimberly is a 20-year old 1989 Lowell High School

Henry Fredric



Mel Beers stands with TV/VCR that will be donated to a housing shelter for mothers and children

## Alto Lions donate TV/VCR to Salvation Army

Joanne Woods is the Salvation Army's Family Service Director for an 18-bed emergency shelter for women and children in need of re-establishing their everyday routines.

Woods says the shelter at 160 Fountain NE is full most of the time with women and children.

"Most of them are here because of eviction, loss of job, or their welfare has been cut off," Woods explains.

The shelter keeps residents anywhere from three days to three weeks in an effort to "I made calls to different agencies to find out what they supported and who they helped. The Club decided it wanted to help the mothers and their children. That's why this shelter was chosen."

After deciding on the shelter, Alto's Lions Club asked Woods to come out to one of its meetings and address the club.

"We are grateful for all the donations from service clubs," Woods said. "We thank the Alto Lions Club for its donation of a 27-inch television help them get re-established."

"We help provide them with information on searching for a job, and on parenting," Woods said. "The educational information is provided through tapes. As of this week, those tapes will be watched on a 27-inch television screen and played on a new VCR, all of which was donated to the shelter through the Alto Lions Club."

"Our Club decided we wanted to help the homeless," Alto President Mel Beers said. "Woods said the shelter is

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4	NASH	
7 (2)	WSYM	Lansing
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10 (7)	WXMI	G. Rapids
11 (5)	WGVU	Grand Rapids
12 (2)	WKAR	East Lansing
13 (3)	WZZM	Grand Rapids
16	HBO	Premium
17	TBS	Atlanta
19	MAX	Premium
21	DISN	Premium
23	USA	
25	FAM	Family
26	WGN	Chicago
28	ESPN	Sports
29	CNN	News
30	CNNHEAD	
31	NICK	
32	A&E	
33	PASS	Troy
34 (3)	WWMT	Kalamazoo
35 (1)	WUHQ	Battle Creek
36 (10)	WILX	Lansing
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March 27

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MORNING

- 6:25 (M) MOVIE: My Blue Heaven An ex-mobster is relocated to a tiny town by the witness protection program and decides to live things up. Steve Martin, Rick Moranis. 1990. (Stereo) (CC)
6:30 (M) Up Close
7:00 (M) MOVIE: Shakespeare Travels A young actress in a traveling British troupe has a passionate affair with a volatile Indian playboy, until his movie star mistress steps in. Shashi Kapoor, Felicity Kendal. 1985.
SportsCenter
8:00 (M) MOVIE: Spider's Web A diplomat's wife tries to dispose of an unexpected body before her husband returns with a top-level guest. Penelope Keith. 1988.
9:00 (M) MOVIE: Welcome Home, Roxxy Carmichael A small-town woman becomes intrigued by legends of a mysterious female rebel who lived there years before. Winona Ryder, Jeff Daniels. 1990. (Stereo) (CC)
MOVIE: Support Your Local Sheriff A stranger becomes sheriff in a gold-rush town besieged by outlaws. James Garner, Joan Hackert. 1969.
10:00 SportsCenter
10:05 (M) MOVIE: Eight Is Enough: Children of the Groom The wedding of Tom Bradford and Abby has a snag when the Bradford children become involved in planning it. Dick Van Patten, Betty Buckley. 1977.
10:30 (M) MOVIE: Casablanca Express Soldiers uncover a Nazi plot to assassinate Winston Churchill in 1942. Jason Connery, Donald Pleasence. 1989. (Stereo)
10:45 (M) MOVIE: The Big Picture A bright film student cleaves his way to the top of the big business but loses his integrity and friends along the way. Kevin Bacon, Martin Short. 1990. (Stereo) (CC)
11:00 (M) Tennis Davis Cup, 2nd round (singles A) (L)

AFTERNOON

- 12:00 (M) MOVIE: The Wild Country The Tanners take on the challenges of the 19th century wilderness when they sack up their belongings and move from Pittsburgh to Wyoming territory. Steve Forst, Vera Miles. 1971.
MOVIE: Rocky V Retired boxer Rocky Balboa takes a young fighter as a protégé while trying to mend his relationship with his son Sylvester Stallone. Talia Shire. 1990. (Stereo) (CC)
MOVIE: The Blackboard Jungle A new teacher at a New York high school confronts an apathetic and defiant student. Glenn Ford, Anne Francis. 1955.
12:30 (M) MOVIE: Air's Fair Several women decide to teach their sexist male counterparts a lesson during a game of mock combat. Sally Kellerman, George Segal. 1989. (Stereo)
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MOVIE: The Sea Hawk Pirates find exciting battles and romantic interludes when a seagoing Robin Hood sails against the Spaniards in the name of Elizabeth I. Errol Flynn, Brenda Marshall. 1940.
6:30 (M) MOVIE: 1941 Panic and the fear of impending war run rampant in Los Angeles following the attack on Pearl Harbor. Dan Aykroyd, Ned Beatty. 1979.
MOVIE: Bullseye! Two small-time hoodlums are mistaken for scientists and execute a series of clever scams. Michael Caine, Roger Moore. 1991. (Stereo) (CC)
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SATURDAY cont.

- 3:55 (HBO) MOVIE: Internal Affairs (Stereo) (CC)
4:00 (HBO) Night Flight
Love Boat
Larry King Weekend
Alfred Hitchcock Presents
MOVIE: Cyrano de Bergerac

A poet decides he is too repulsive to win the lady of his dreams and helps another man win her by writing love poems for him. Jose Ferrer. Male Powers. 1950.
[ MAX ] MOVIE: Suspects (Stereo)
4:30 Dragnet

SUNDAY

March 29

- MORNING
5:00 Music Videos
My Sister Sam (CC)
Paid Program
Love Boat
ESPN's SpeedWeek
Sports LateNight
Dick Van Dyke
NBC Nightside
Home Shopping
Logan's Run
5:10 Best of Walt Disney Presents
5:30 Midwest Outdoors Magazine
My Sister Sam (CC)
Fahri's Note
News/Moneyweek
Dobie Gillis
Home Shopping
6:00 Christopher Closeup (CC)

- News/Style With Elia Klensch
Littl Bits
New Wilderness
Paid Program
Fraggle Rock (CC)
7:00 To Be Announced
Kenneth Copeland
Charles Stanley
Great Decisions
El and Denny
Tom and Jerry's Funhouse
Under the Umbrella Tree
Calliope
D. James Kennedy
Miracles Today
SportsCenter
DayBreak
Eureka's Castle
Flambards
Ultranam
Outdoor Gazette
Paid Program
Pink Panther
8:00 Images
Sesame Street (CC)
Paid Program
Welcome to Pooh Corner
Robert Schuller With the Hour of Power (CC)
BodyShaping
Evans and Novak
Wild Kingdom
John Ankerberg
Day of Discovery
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- CNN Headline News
Danger Mouse
MOVIE: Santa Fe Trail
The Fight for Kansas prior to the Civil War initiates the military careers of Job Stark and George Carter. Eric Fynn. Olivia de Havilland. 1940.
Morning (CC)
In Search of the Lord's Way
Kenneth Copeland
American Medical Television
Bugs Bunny and Pals
9:05 Gilligan's Island
9:10 Fishing the West
9:30 Truckin' USA: The Greatest Working Truck Show. (Stereo)
Catholic Mass
Larry Jones
Angler's Diary
Smurfs (CC)
Garbert (Stereo)
People to People
Inside the Senior PGA Tour
News/Travel Guide
HealthTalk
Faith 20
John Ankerberg
Miracles Today
9:35 Captain Planet and the Planetoids
9:00 Top 20 Video Countdown
Exciting World of Speed and Beauty Highlights of Winston West racing. (Stereo)
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Day of Discovery
HBO MOVIE: Home Alone (Stereo) (CC)
Animated Fraggles Rock
Smurfs (CC)
Super Mario 3
Weekend Morning News
Inside the PGA Tour
Morning News

WEDNESDAY cont.

- 1:15 [ MAX ] MOVIE: Night Game (Stereo) (CC)
2:30 MOVIE: Badman's Territory
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SportsCenter
Sports LateNight
Adventures of Superman
Home Shopping
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1:00 [ HBO ] Rodney Dangerfield's The Really Big Boy Show (Stereo) (CC)
1:30 [ HBO ] News
Paid Program
This Week in World League Football
NewsNight Update
Disaster Chronicles
Jerry Springer
1:35 [ HBO ] Later With Bob Costas
2:00 Music Videos
Club Dance (Stereo)
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World News Now (Stereo) (CC)
MOVIE: Blithe Spirit
A woman's second marriage goes well until the ghost of his first wife appears. Rex Harrison, Constance Cummings. 1945.
700 Club With Pat Robertson
Inside the PGA Tour
Worldwide Update
Paid Program
Home Shopping
The Adventurers
2:05 [ HBO ] Hardknuckle
A recovered alcoholic tries to achieve his former glory as a championship snooker player. Steve Bisley, Gary Day. 1985.
NBC Nightside
2:10 [ HBO ] MOVIE: Hard to Kill (Stereo) (CC)
before his tragic death. Gary Busey, Charles Martin Smith. 1978.
Inside Politics '92
Dobie Gillis
Dennis Miller
12:35 Steve Isaacs
David Letterman
People's Court
12:45 [ MAX ] MOVIE: Witchtrap (Stereo) (CC)
1:00 [ HBO ] Somebody Lives There: Hungry (Stereo)
Fall Guy (CC)
MOVIE: Hero Tattoo
Nine Dragons: Two kung fu masters come together to fight their deadly skills for the love of a woman. Chen Kuan Tai, Chia Ling. 1975.
Scholastic Sports America (CC)
ShowBiz Today
Bugs Bunny and Pals
First Flights
Night Games
Naturalist With a Camera
MOVIE: Divorce, American Style
After 17 years of marriage, a couple decides to divorce and soon discovers the problems that arise from alimony and remarriage. Dick Van Dyke, Debbie Reynolds. 1967.
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- April 2
MORNING
5:00 America's Cup '92
6:00 [ MAX ] MOVIE: Random Harvest
6:15 [ HBO ] MOVIE: To Sleep With Anger (Stereo)
6:30 Up Close
Wild & Crazy Kids
Spartanuz
CBS News (CC)
SportsCenter and Pals
6:35 Andy Griffith
7:00 Hall Hour Comedy Hour
Golden Girls (CC)
Entertainment Tonight (Stereo) (CC)
CBS News (CC)
MacNeil/Lehrer NewsHour (CC)
Wheel of Fortune
7:05 [ HBO ] MOVIE: The Love Boat Goes to Chicago
The passengers and crew of the Love Boat encounter intrigue when they sail for the ancient past and splendors of China. Linda Evans, Ursula Andress. 1983.
7:00 [ HBO ] MOVIE: City Killer
Ward Bond, Dorothy Tree. 1943.
9:00 [ HBO ] MOVIE: Hanky Panky
10:00 SportsCenter
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11:00 [ HBO ] MOVIE: Running on Empty (CC)
AFTERNOON
12:00 [ HBO ] MOVIE: Deadly Intentions (Part 2 of 2)
A woman realizes her seemingly benign husband is a dangerous psychopath who tends to kill her. Michael Biehn, Madolyn Smith. 1985.
[ HBO ] MOVIE: Skyward
[ HBO ] MOVIE: Tucker: The Man and His Dream (Stereo) (CC)
MOVIE: The Gnome-Mobile
A businessman and his niece and nephew find a clan of tiny gnomes in the Redwood Forest. Walter Brennan, Matthew Garber. 1967.
Senior PGA Golf The Tradition, 1st round (L)
1:05 [ HBO ] MOVIE: The Man From Laramie
A man seeks revenge against his brother's killers, who are illegally supplying guns to the Indians. James Stewart, Wallace Ford. 1955.
2:00 [ MAX ] MOVIE: Support Your Local Gunfighter
MOVIE: The Last Bendit
A former outlaw tries to build a new life for himself in the Old West. William Elliott, Adrian Booth. 1949.
2:30 [ HBO ] MOVIE: Mark of the Vampire
An isolated Czechoslovakian village is terrorized by bizarre, inexplicable killings. Lionel Barrymore, Bela Lugosi. 1935.
3:00 [ HBO ] MOVIE: Ski Patrol (Stereo)
3:30 [ MAX ] MOVIE: Support Your Local Gunfighter
America's Cup Challenger/Defender Semifinals (L)
4:00 [ HBO ] MOVIE: Buddy Buddy
A hit man trying to fulfill a contract is interrupted by a man who wants to commit suicide. Jack Lemmon, Walter Matthau. 1981.
5:00 [ MAX ] MOVIE: Thunder Over the Plains
5:30 [ HBO ] MOVIE: Hanky Panky
EVENING
6:00 [ HBO ] Bet on a Winner: Harness Racing From Sports Creek Raceway.
Mama's Family
News
Mr. Belvedere (CC)
Ask the Lawyers
European Journal
Teen Win, Lose or Draw (Stereo) (CC)
Smurfs (CC)
Rin Tin Tin, K-9 Cop (Stereo) (CC)
Video Power
World Today
CNN Headline News
What Would You Do?
The Avengers (CC)
Bet on a Winner: Harness Racing From Sports Creek Raceway
Beyond 2000
Gilligan's Island
Beverly Hills, 90210
Like We Care
Who's the Boss? (CC)
NBC News (CC)
Perfect Strangers (CC)
Nightly Business Report
ABC News (CC)
[ MAX ] MOVIE: Looker (Stereo)
MOVIE: The Rescue A group

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This student of Les Stasberg receives an Oscar nomination for her performance opposite Dustin Hoffman.

answer to the Crossword Quiz is found within the answers in puzzle. To find the answer, unscramble the letters noted with bricks within the puzzle.
Sas Malone's portrayal
Information
Paving substance
Got a Secret
Brown Mama's Family
Words of commitment (2)
Foreast's portrayal on TV Fly Away (2)
Clampett family's source of wealth on The Beverly Hillsites
Skinny creature
Alter-dinner item
Carson's replacement
Article
Word in title of show about Laura Ingalls & family
Word on an invitation
Language: abbr.
One-quarter of M
Jeremy Miller's series (2)
Western Indian
Boring tools
Flightless bird
... the season to be...
Zia Zia's site
Wicked one
Word in the title of Monty Hall's show
Original Jeopardy host
Unexciting game result
43,560 square feet
Sir or Seifer
Commission
Opie Taylor's portrayal

15. Do a bank transaction
16. Star of P. S. I Love U
17. Gender: abbr.
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# TOWN TALK

Would you not vote for the Congressmen identified in the check-cashing scandal and will it have an effect your vote in the presidential election?



**Roger Bowen**  
If they are that crooked I won't vote for them. The average person would get jail time for doing something like that. But, the politicians won't. The scandal won't have any effect on my vote in November.



**Jim Burns**  
It won't cause me not to vote for a politician. Maybe it's the guys who were not smart enough to use the system we shouldn't vote for. It won't effect my presidential vote. I'll vote for whoever can best lead this country.



**Marion Mutschler**  
I'd vote those congressmen out of office. Yes, it will effect my presidential vote in November.



**Bekke Bronkema**  
Anybody can overdraw their checking account. But if a congressman does it 80-100 times, there is no way I'd vote for him. Yes, it will effect my vote in the presidential election.



**Bill Green**  
If my congressman was involved I will not vote for him. It will effect my vote in the presidential election.



**Don Scanlon**  
I will not vote for a congressman who was deeply involved in the scandal. It tells me he or she is not very credible. We elect them to be credible. It won't effect my presidential vote.



**Ed Zuidewind**  
I won't vote for the congressman. Dishonesty will effect my vote. It will effect my vote in November. They are being paid well, we should be able to expect more honesty out of our representatives.



**Larry Kennedy**  
I won't vote for them. It will effect my vote. Why should we vote for them if the congressmen are not going to be straight with us and are going to rip us off.

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# Lowell Order of the Moose help youths further their awareness of drugs

The Fifth Student Congress "Just Say No To Drugs" conducted by the Loyal Order of Moose, and held at the University of Michigan, in Ann Arbor, on March 7, was attended by four Lowell High School students. They were Joshua J. Ennis, Kimberly Shassberger, Veronica Ramirez and Jennifer Tate.

They will write an essay on how to tell the "Just Say No To Drugs" story to four to nine year old children in grammar school.

This program is held throughout the United States, Canada and Great Britain, by the Loyal Order of Moose and will continue in the future. In addition the students who attended will conduct classroom activities with young elementary students. The four students who attended were transported to the Student Congress by Lowell Lodge 809, "Just Say No To Drugs" coordinator, Angelo J. Zengri.



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# College News

Martin Perdok, son of Linda and Peter Perdok, Ada, who graduated from Lowell High School in 1988, plans to receive a bachelor's degree in manufacturing administration in December 1992. Project: Implementing International Quality Standards in an Order Flow System. Perdok will present a project in the tenth conference on Senior Engineering Design Projects to be held Tuesday, April 14, at Western Michigan University. The public is invited to attend the conference, which will be held at the Bernhard Center on the campus of Western Michigan University.

139 seniors in the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences will present the results of 69 projects undertaken to solve problems facing business and industry. Students in engineering technology and in aircraft and automotive, computer systems, electrical, industrial, mechanical, and paper engineering will participate.

The conference will run from 9 a.m., to 4 p.m. More information is available from Linda Hager by calling (616) 387-4017.

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The starch peanuts are being phased in at Amway's nine Regional Distribution Centers (RDCs) nationwide. First used by Amway in early February at its Michigan RDC, in Ada, the packaging material will be introduced within the next few months at the Texas RDC, followed by other North American RDCs as the material becomes available. The Michigan RDC services distributors and their customers in 14 Midwest states.

The starch peanuts will be used only with products that Amway manufactures, not with brand-name products sold through Amway catalogs.

Along with each package containing the starch peanuts, Amway sends a card printed on recycled paper that explains the benefits of the starch peanuts.

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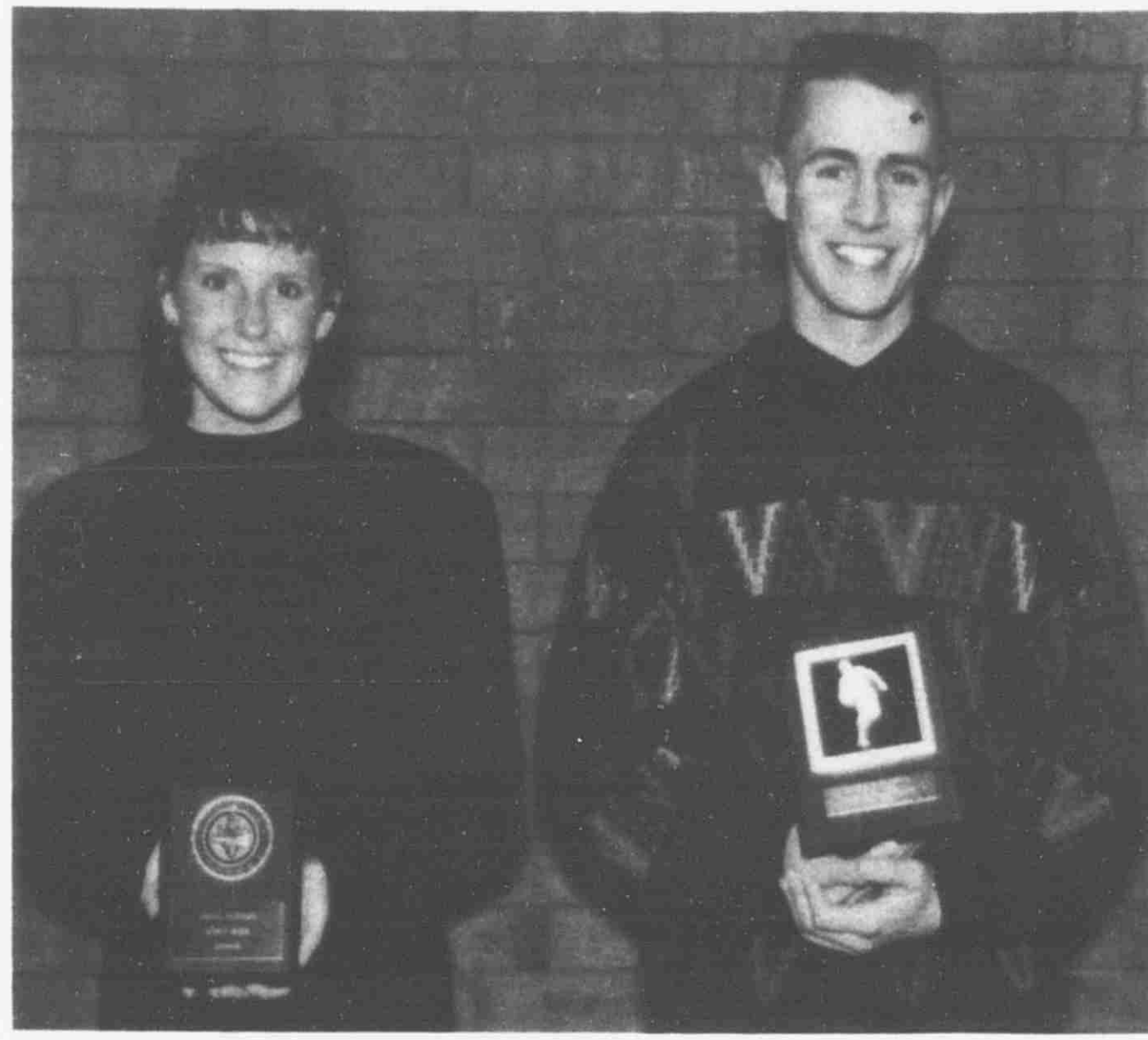
**GRATTAN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ANNUAL MEETING**  
The Annual Meeting will be held:  
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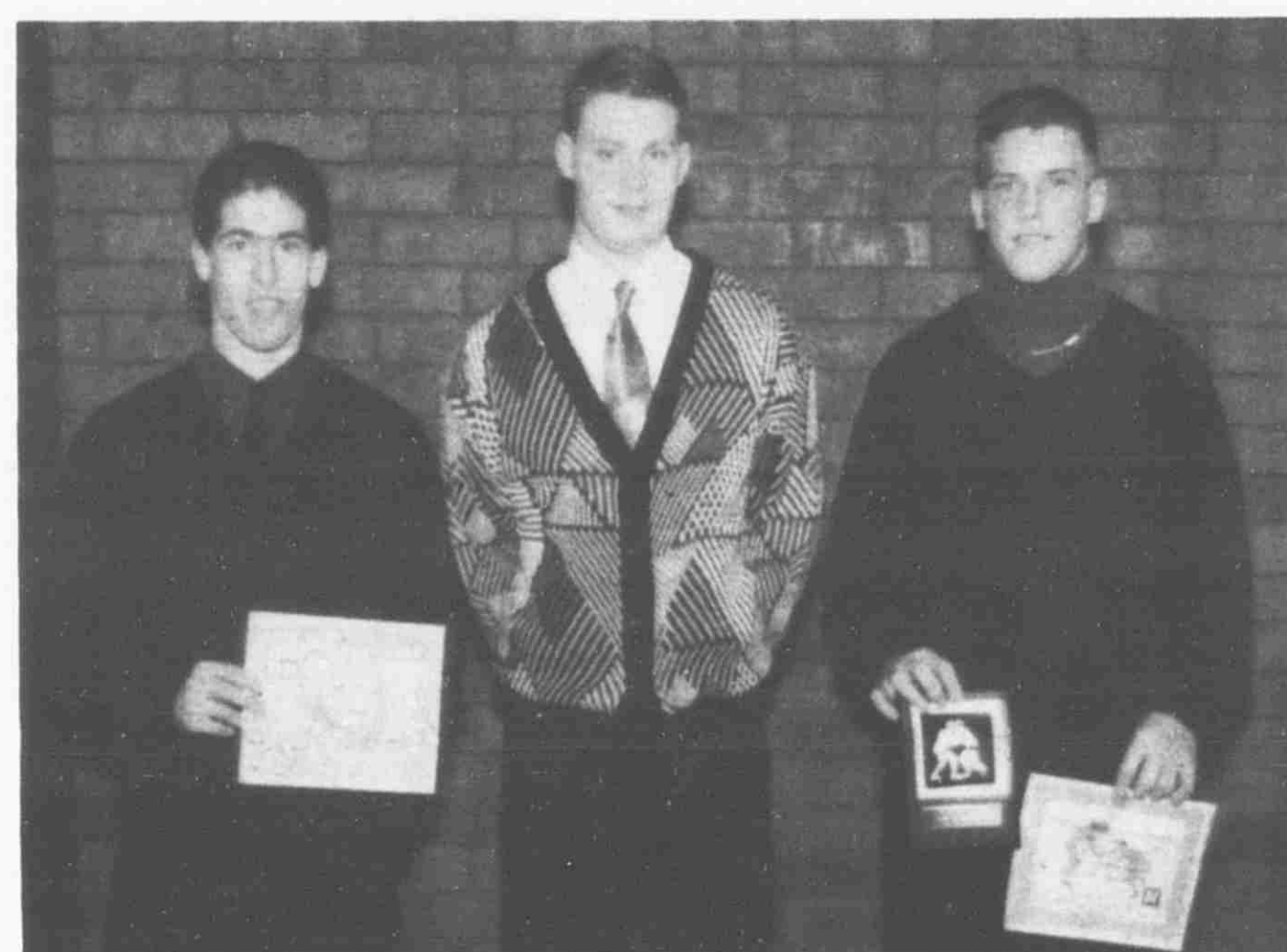
at the Grattan Township Hall, 11676 Old Bolding Rd. A budget shall be submitted for consideration.

Citizens attending the hearing have the right to provide written and oral comments and ask questions concerning the entire budget. A copy of the entire proposed budget shall be available for public inspection at the Grattan Township Hall.

James R. Lally  
Grattan Township Clerk



Christie Ponchaud, left, received varsity basketball cheerleading's "Most Spirit" honor at the basketball and cheerleading banquet. David Jones, to Ponchaud's left, earned the Lowell Lions Club Most Valuable Player award. Jon Amundsen was given the Coaches Award and Matt Craig earned the Most Improved award.

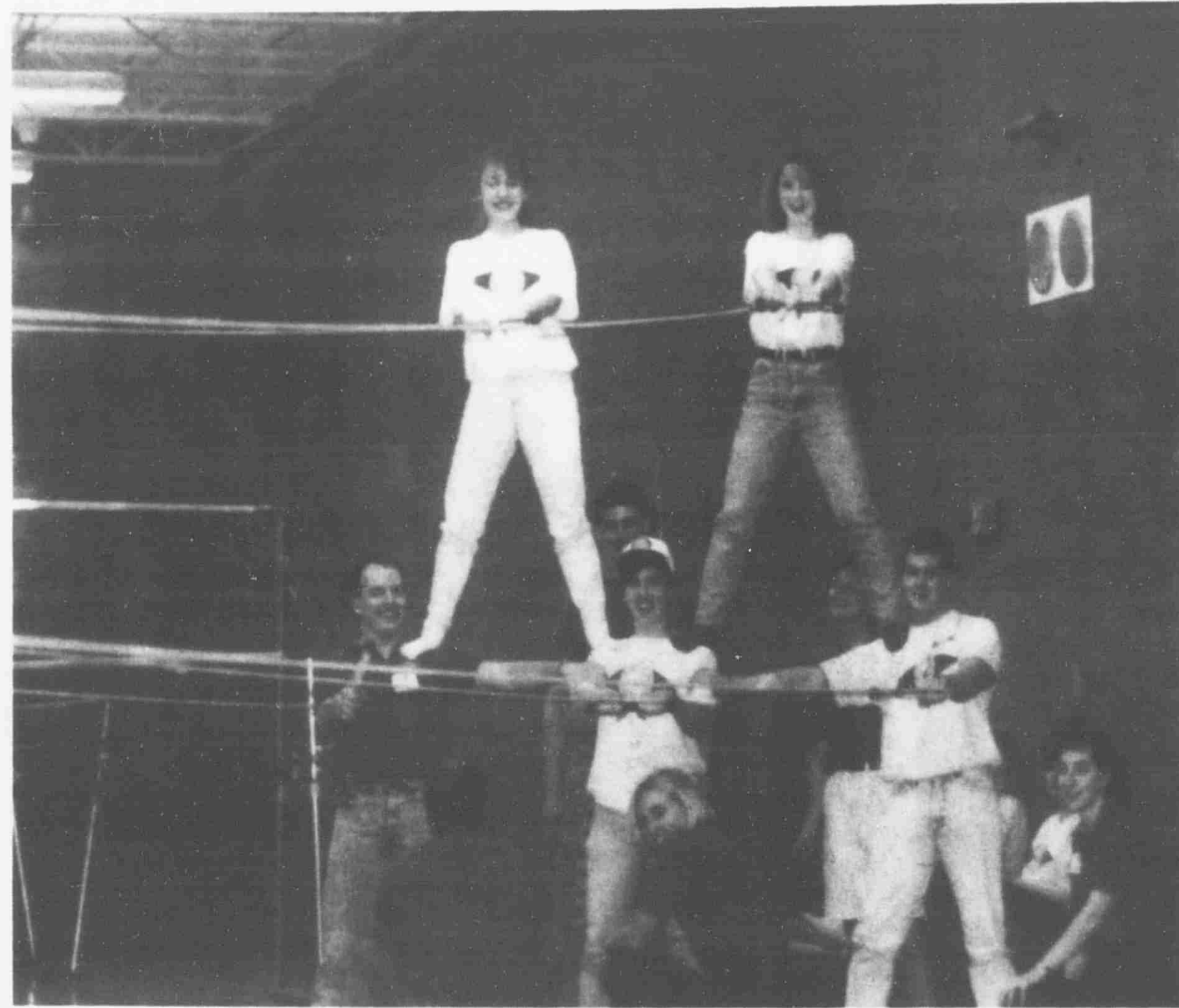


Receiving wrestling awards at it's annual banquet were, left to right: Dave Stouffer co-captain; Chris Miedema, Most Improved; Rich Depew, Most Valuable Player.





Teen Institute alternative highs included rappelling.



Students attending Teens Involved Day also had the opportunity to learn about tournament and barefoot skiing.

## Teens Involved Day unites roughly 100 students to alternative activities to drugs

They met new friends, formed new friendships, and became increasingly more knowledgeable and appreciative of alternative activities to drugs and alcohol.

### Amway, continued

plains how the recipient should dispose of the material. The starch peanuts will replace more than 200,000 cubic feet of polystyrene packaging material used annually by the Michigan RDC alone.

"This packaging material helps Amway convey a positive environmental message to distributors and customers," said James Stover, Amway's Director of Marketing-Home Care and Vice-Chairman of Amway's Environmental Task Force. "The

Roughly 100 8-12 grade students from Lowell and surrounding area schools participated in Lowell's "Teens Involved Day."

The day-long event started

starch peanuts will help make Amway distributors and customers better stewards in their own communities."

Amway has a history of environmental stewardship dating back to its founding in 1959 with a biodegradable cleaner called L.O.C. (Liquid Organic Cleaner). The company was awarded the 1989 United Nations Environment Programme Award of Achievement in recognition of its corporate leadership in promoting environmental awareness and education.

at 11 a.m. and did not wind down until 11 p.m.

"By the end of the day the kids were on an euphoria," Teens Involved advisor Maureen Dorough said. "The kids loved it. They all felt good about themselves."

Dorough said the day's events were planned by students. "We are planning on another TI Day again next year," she explains.

Because of the success of the format used on Saturday (March 14), Dorough said a similar format would be used again next year. She believes that the key to its success was student involvement. "There wasn't any down time," she explains.

The goal of Teens Involved is to provide education and training to Lowell students

and advisors, assisting them in developing sound habituated concepts and effective prevention programs that positively impact the alcohol and drug abuse problems within their communities.

Educational presentations, and workshops were available to students throughout the day.

Teen Institute workshops included, feelings, how to cope with them, teen suicide, education on AIDS, alcoholism, self-esteem, teenage relationships, sexual assaults, risks you afford to take, family problems, and how to be a friend.

Students also got to choose from Teen Institute alternative highs such as rappelling, jazzercise, martial arts, gour-

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## Legal Notices

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT

PUBLICATION AND NOTICE OF HEARING FILE NO. 92-153,634

In the matter of Daisy Uytershout, alleged legally incapacitated/protected person SSN 373-22-179D

TO: BEATRICE MASON, whose address is unknown and whose interest in the mater may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE; On April 2, 1992, at 10:00 a.m., in the probate courtroom, Grand Rapids, Michigan

before Hon. Donald J. DeYoung, Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held on the Petition for appointment of Guardian of Legally Incapacitated Person and the Petition for Appointment of Conservator of an Adult.

BOB THORNDILL KENT COMMUNITY HOSPITAL 750 FULLER, N. E. GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504

PAMELA J. TYLER ATTORNEY-AT-LAW (P-38374) Varnum, Riddering, Schmidt & Howlett Suite 800, 171 Monroe Avenue, N. W. Grand Rapids, MI 49503 (616) 459-4186

## LMS students qualify for academic events in "Track Meet" for the mind

Lowell Middle School held its first inter-scholastic academic track meet against Kenowa Hills.

Although Kenowa Hills won the overall meet, Lowell earned the right to go to state competition in nine out of 27 events. A total of 27 Lowell students participated. They will compete next in Farmington Park, hoping to qualify even more competitors for the state finals.

The meet consisted of 27 events divided into academic, art, and performance areas. Points were awarded for three placings with a first place qualifying the contestant for state competition.

In the academic section, Lowell's Scott Smith won the Geography competition, and Nathan Lietzke won Math Story Problems. Placing second were Karen Dykstra in Trivia, Matt Dykstra in Word-

O-Clock, and Matt Langridge in Physical Science. Third placings were earned by Nathan Lietzke in arithmetic, Joe Corey in biology, Beth Wilcox in music, Sara Chandler in Word-O-Clock, Cara Thaler and Elizabeth Reibold part of a four way tie in Math Story Problems, Emily VanStrien in earth science, Erin Kohler in speech and theater, and Scott Smith in spelling.

Heather Young won the art division, graphite/charcoal. Teammate Stephanie Matyczyn took second place. Lowell's art is on display in the entrance to the middle school.

Lowell dominated the performing arts winning six of the nine events. Emily VanStrien won Interpretive Reading and Melissa Lesky tied for first in Dramatic Reading with Heather Young third. The Vocal solo was won by Diana Rice as well as the Boys Quartet consisting of B. J.



Paul Balaam with LMS girls trio: Jenny Jansma, Haley Dawson, Dianna Rice.

Barber, Chris Goggins, Ryan Graham, and Rick Vander Warf. Skits and Improvisation was won by the team of Rachael Brown, Jon Smith, Aaron Taber, Jamie Tichelaar

and Emily VanStrien.

In non-keyboard instrumental solo, Tracy Loughlin tied for first, and Rebecca Bradley took third.

In keyboard instrumental solo, Melody Brubaker placed second while Sarah Chandler and Chris Goggins tied for third.

## T. I. Day, continued

et cooking, hair styling, make-over/ color analysis, manicures, tournament and barefoot skiing, and jewelry making.

Teens Involved objectives that have been drawn up include to provide relevant alcohol and drug information, develop and/or enhance habituating skills, to increase the knowledge and appreciation of "alternative" activities.

These objectives are achieved through TI Day; TI sponsored activities (parades,

floats, overnights, variety show, elementary teaching and other group activities); through recognized involvement by regional, county, and local concerned agencies and organizations; and through enthusiastic support of concerned teens, parents, and educators from Lowell.

The day-long activity cost each student \$13. The money helped to cover the cost of the T-shirts (all students received one), keynote speaker and DJ.

## CITY OF LOWELL

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received at the Lowell City Hall office, 301 East Main, Lowell, MI 49331 until April 1, 1992 at 2:00 p.m. where they will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time. The bids are regarding the purchase and installation of softball field lights.

Specifications may be picked up at the Lowell City Hall office or call 897-8457. On site inspection can be scheduled with Dan DesJarden between 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. by calling 897-5929.

The City of Lowell reserves the right to reject any or all bids and also the right to waive any formal defects in bids when deemed in the best interest of the City. Further, the City reserves the right to accept a bid higher than the lowest bid, if the City's interest will be better served.

## Dental News

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**SOFT TEETH?**  
Question: My first two children have very few dental problems but the youngest has cavities every time I turn around. My in-law says it's because he has soft teeth. Is there any basis to this?

**Answer:** You in-law is wrong! All teeth are very hard. As a matter of fact, tooth enamel is one of the hardest natural substances there is, (diamonds are the hardest). Tooth enamel is much harder than iron, gold, or porcelain. Some teeth are more susceptible to decay than others, but it is never because teeth are soft. Your youngest probably does not brush and floss as well as the others, if at all, eats more sweets and skips regular visits to your dentist.

## Wrestlers find success in freestyle

Lowell Freestyle wrestlers competed at Forest Hills on Saturday, March 21, with the following wrestlers earning honors. Group I: Joe VanLaan, 2nd. Group II: Eric Hays, 3rd; Nick Lillie, 2nd; Peter VanLaan, 2nd; Mike Forward, 3rd. Group III: Steve VanLaan, 1st. Group IV: Scott Hays, 3rd; Tim VanLaan, 2nd.

Medal winners at Lake View in Group I were Jake Brower, 3rd and Noah Scoby, 3rd.

At Wyoming, Rogers the medal winners were, Group I: Beau Wilder, 2nd; J.J. Wilder, 1st; Group II: Tommy Oesch, 2nd; Group III: Billy Stouffer, 1st.

Wrestlers placing at Lake-wood on Saturday were: Group IV: Matt DeGarmo, 1st; Dan Spicer, 2nd; Chad Lake, 1st; David Luyk, 2nd; Group II: Caleb O'Boyle, 1st; John McKay, 4th.

Red Arrows medaling at Northview on Friday, March

20 were: John Wilder, 1st place in open wrestling; Group I: Jake Brower, 1st; Isaac Scoby, 3rd. Medal winners at Lowell cadet and juniors tournaments were, Cadet: Doug Weeks, 2nd; Cory Kirkbride, 2nd; Rich Stouffer, 2nd; juniors: Jim Inman, 1st; Rich Stouffer, 2nd; Ron Osmolinski, 3rd.

Lowell wrestlers also placing at Forest Hills on Friday were: Open, Mike Foss, 1st; Kyle Gudea, 2nd.

Medaling at Northview on Saturday, March 14 were, Group IV, Greco Roman, 1st place.

Medaling at Lansing Waverly on Saturday, March 13 was Chad Chertos, Cadet, 3rd place.

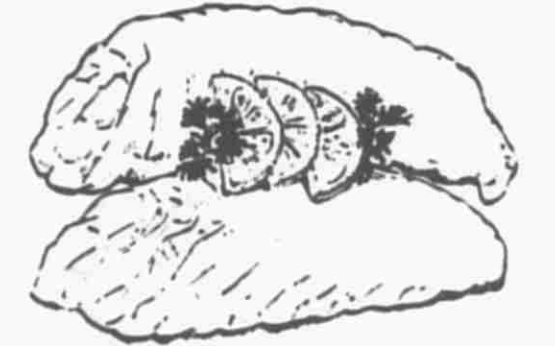
Medaling at Greenville on Saturday, March 14 were, Group I: J. J. Wilder, 1st; Bobby Gingerich, 3rd; Group II: Eric Hays, 2nd; Kevin

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## NOTICE LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES FROM REGULAR MEETING MARCH 16, 1992

Called to order at 7:00 P.M.; 5 Board members present. Minutes of February 17 approved.

Approved bills totaling:	
General Fund	\$18,499.85
Sewer Fund	\$5,551.39
Tax Fund	\$898,580.64

Business Conducted: Moved to strike the delinquent personal property taxes deemed uncollectible from the books; tables the district library resolution; moved to submit two projects to the Community Development Program - one for assisting the City of Lowell in lighting their softball field and one for assisting the City in the restoration of the upper floor of the Graham Building for an area-wide historical museum; discussed the township's and the new high school's water and sewer needs; moved to proceed on getting the sewer extended to the proposed high school; moved to support the changes proposed to the Kent County Fire Assessment Formula; moved to contract with Kruswijk Mowing Service for cemetery maintenance and grounds care; moved to sign an agreement for planning services with Progressive Architecture Engineering Planning; set Settlement Day for 7 P.M. on the 2nd of April and the Annual Meeting date for 1:30 P.M. on Saturday, the 4th of April; moved to pay a peridium rate to each member attending one of the April seminars according to this serving rate; received monthly reports from the Sheriff's Department, Lowell Ambulance, and the Building Official.

Adjournment at 9:30 P.M.

Carol L. Wells  
Lowell Township Clerk  
897-7600

## LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP

### ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the annual Township meeting of the electors in Lowell Township will be held on:

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 1992 AT 1:30 P. M.

at the Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash, S. E., Lowell, Michigan.

The budget for the coming fiscal year has been adopted and copies are available for public inspection at the Lowell Township Hall during regular office hours. Copies will be available at the annual meeting.

Carol L. Wells  
Clerk  
897-7600



# On Line

with Lowell School Superintendent  
**Fritz Esch**

## Education Bashing

The word "bashing" is a popular term that seems to have recently appeared in our language. Although it sounds like "old English slang", it is usually used to describe a continuous barrage of criticism from the electronic or print media on a particular topic. Since my chosen profession is education, I am particularly sensitive to "education bashing". Writers who participate and perpetuate the sport of educational bashing do so with the intent of convincing the public that education is a miserable failure and that all educational institutions are falling short. This is simply not the case!

While our high school dropout rate annually is 1.0 to 1.5% of the graduating senior class who entered as freshmen, we read in other publications that the dropout rate is 10 to 20%. While our students continue to score above average every year on achievement tests, we read that American students can't compete with their foreign counterparts. And, while the home buying public was recently told that only 35% of Lowell students go to college, the fact is that 75% of this year's graduating class will go on to post graduate schooling leading to one or more college degrees.

What I read about education in general is a stark contrast to what I see in classrooms as I visit our schools. Teachers today have so many more resources available to them to make

learning fun, than what I had when I entered the business. Contrary to what the newspapers and evening news anchor-men say, teachers today are teaching our kids HOW TO THINK AND LEARN, rather than the traditional memorized factual information that all of us had to remember long enough to record on a mid-term or final exam.

For example, I saw one of our first grade teachers totally engage a small group of kids in learning a basic law of electronics in a science lesson. At the same time she also had four other small groups independently working on four different academic areas equally exciting to them. She wasn't telling anyone what to do or look at, she was skillfully asking questions leading them toward conclusions.

I sat in on a middle school Chicago Math lesson and was amazed at how quickly groups of 7th graders could solve problems through collective reasoning and drawing conclusions based on evidence presented. Again the teacher was skillfully leading them to conclusions based upon their own thinking process.

A small boy in a special education class lit up like a light bulb when he discovered with some blocks that there was a sequence to our number system (10 ones in one ten, and 10 groups of ten in 100).

## Wrestling, continued

Rash, 3rd; Nick Lillie, 3rd; Petter VanLaan, 3rd; Dan Rottier, 3rd; Group III: T. J. Forward, 2nd; Steve VanLaan, 2nd; Group IV: Tim VanLaan, 1st.

# LAAC offers summer arts scholarships

Once again fine arts scholarships are being offered to students who live in the area served by the Lowell Area Arts Council, and who are enrolled in the sixth through the eleventh grades. Applications are available through Friday, 897-8545.

This is a wonderful opportunity for young people to participate in a fine arts experience and develop their emerging talent. The LAAC supports this program through small grants, donations and hard work by its members.

The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of the applicant's ability and goals in his or her particular field, ability to accept responsibility and academic achievement. The scholarship may be used to attend a summer camp, workshop or institute that teaches some area of the fine arts; visual arts, speaking, dance, music, creative writing, drama.

The scholarships will be awarded by April 27, 1992. The value of the scholarship will be an amount up to \$175, but not to exceed one half of the total cost of the summer experience.

Autumn DeVries, daughter of Scudder and Trudy DeVries, has been selected as an entrant in the 1992 Michigan's Perfect Teen Pageant, a Carver Production, to be held at the Holiday Inn, Fairlane Area Convention Center in Detroit, Michigan, March 28 and 29. The State Pageant will select Michigan's representative to the national America's Perfect Teen Pageant, this October in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

DeVries, who was selected as an entrant-at-large, will be competing with girls from all over the Wolverine State for the title of Michigan's Perfect Teen. She is a student at Lowell High School.

While in school Autumn has participated in Student Council, Teens Involved, International Club, cheerleading, volleyball and track.

Her other interests include: writing swimming, skiing, modeling and playing the piano.

The dates again for the Michigan's Perfect Teen Pageant are March 28 and 29, at the Holiday Inn, Fairlane Area Convention Center, Detroit.

I also discovered a 5th grade teacher with a small group of students at the end of a hallway teaching a vocabulary lesson and having the kids act out the word meanings. The vocabulary words were words I didn't learn to spell and use until I was in high school. The teacher had such a rapport with the kids that half of them never noticed that I was watching them. It's hard to describe the excitement I witnessed in the kids as the teacher skillfully worked through the lesson.

I recently talked with some of the most educated and articulate high school students I have ever met. They had some very definite plans for next year even though some had not decided which college or university offer they wanted to accept. They spoke positively of the future, exhibited self confidence and personal direction, and assured me that they greatly appreciated the personal attention and help they received from teachers at Lowell High School.

Since negative news sells newspapers and consumer products, "education bashing" may continue to be a media activity as long as it produces profit, but the message is certainly inconsistent with what I witness in our schools. Let me assure you that eyes light up every school day in Lowell Area Schools' classrooms as kids learn and discover new pieces of information. I just wish the expressions of discovery and learning that I see could be recorded on video tape for the evening news broadcasts. You would be impressed too!

**PET TAGS**

Dogs should be tested for heartworms each year, prior to starting preventive medication. There are two primary reasons for this. First, if a dog becomes infected with heartworms, treatment is much more successful if it is done prior to symptoms developing. These dogs have very little or no permanent damage, and go through treatment with excellent results. On the other hand if a dog has heartworms for two to three years and is showing signs of the disease, these dogs usually have irreversible damage, and may continue to have problems even after they are treated. The second reason we recommend testing, is if a dog is positive for heartworms and is started on medication, many dogs will have a reaction to the medication.

Testing for heartworms requires drawing a blood sample. The blood sample is mixed with a solution which causes the blood cells to burst. This solution is then filtered, and the filter is examined under a microscope for the presence of any microfilaria. Because it takes approximately six months from the time a dog is bitten by a mosquito, until it has adult heartworms in its heart, it is recommended that testing not be started until April. If a dog is found to be negative, it can then be started on the preventive medication.

Interceptor is the trade name for a new heartworm preventive available for use this year. I will be recommending this product for most dogs. Interceptor is given once monthly, and along with preventing heartworms, it will also treat the most common form of intestinal worms, which are roundworms, hookworms and whipworms.

Our laboratory results show that nearly 50 percent of the dogs in this area have one or more of these intestinal worms. So there is a great benefit in treating these parasites, while preventing heartworms. We will also continue to stock other brands of heartworm preventive medications.

This year we are participating in a program sponsored by the Michigan Veterinary Medical Association. With this program your dog will receive a free "Pet Bandanna" when he/she is tested for heartworms this spring. We have found that only about 30 percent of the dogs in the area are on a heartworm medication, and we hope this program can help make pet owners more aware of this deadly disease.

As always you can contact my staff or myself if you have any questions concerning heartworms, or any pet health concerns.

Bruce P. Langlois, DVM  
11610 East Fulton  
Lowell, Michigan 49331

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# THE CLASSIFIEDS

<p><b>EVENTS</b></p> <p><b>BINGO</b> Every Friday Night 7:15 P.M. Lowell VFW Hall East Main St., Lowell Early Bird Bingo at 6:45 P.M. <b>PUBLIC INVITED</b></p>	<p><b>BUSINESS SERVICES</b></p> <p><b>CASH!</b> For single family, multi-family and handyman specials. All areas considered. Written offer in 48 hours.</p> <p><b>Marshall Redder, Remax, 457-3245, C44tfn</b></p>	<p><b>HELP WANTED</b></p> <p><b>ASSEMBLY</b> - Ada &amp; Lowell areas. All shifts. To \$5.75 hr. No fee! Apply now. 241-6681, American Careers.</p>	<p><b>FOR SALE</b></p> <p>FOR SALE - 82 Chrysler New Yorker, air, tilt, power everything, cruise, \$1,000 or best offer. Call 897-5454 or 897-5563.</p>	<p><b>WANTED</b></p> <p>WANTED - Used Schwinn Airlyne, must be in good condition, call Sue or Bridget at 897-8397.</p>	<p><b>IN MEMORIAM</b></p> <p>THE TWO WORDS - that are often said and are so deeply felt by us are...thank you... for all of the prayers, cards, food and all of the many other ways that showed that you cared for us at the time of my illness. I especially wish to say...thank you...to "Bus run #84B, for their concern; to Rev. Bill Amundsen of the Lowell United Methodist Church, and Pastor Bill Kinnan of the Berkley Hills Wesleyan Church of Grand Rapids, for their prayers and support given to me and my family at this time.</p> <p>Al Wittenbach</p>
<p><b>BINGO</b> Every Saturday Night 7:00 P.M. <b>LOWELL MOOSE BINGO</b> 1320 E. FULTON Early Bird Bingo at 4:00 P.M.</p>	<p><b>SALES ASSISTANT</b> - Permanent position in Lowell area, Type 80 wpm, Lotus 1-2-3, Word for Windows, excellent verbal and written communication skills, call Manpower Temporary Services 897-0050 for interview.</p>	<p><b>COOK</b> - Porter Hills is looking for a dependable, fast-paced and quality oriented evening cook. Must have therapeutic diet knowledge and prior cooking experience. 10:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. shift. Also every other weekend and every third holiday. This is a full-time position, excellent wages &amp; benefits included. For immediate consideration, apply in person at 3600 E. Fulton, Grand Rapids.</p>	<p><b>FOR SALE</b> - 1975 Victorian Mobile home, \$5,500 or best offer. Call after 4 p.m. 642-6824.</p>	<p><b>RENTS DISCOUNTED</b> - to 4 year low. First 3 weeks free. 897-0099.</p>	<p><b>FOR RENT</b></p> <p><b>McGee Homestead</b> Diner &amp; Breakfast 2534 Alden Nash NE, Lowell (Just North of Arrowhead Golf Course) Gracious Accommodations for Your Out-Of-Town Guests PHONE 897-8142</p>
<p><b>BINGO</b> Every Saturday Night 7:00 P.M. <b>LOWELL MOOSE BINGO</b> 1320 E. FULTON Early Bird Bingo at 4:00 P.M.</p>	<p><b>VERN'S CARPET INSTALLATION AND REPAIR</b> - 29 years experience. 897-5138.</p>	<p><b>DAVIS ELECTRIC</b> Quality • Service Dependability RESIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL LIGHT INDUSTRIAL <b>Ph. 676-9574</b></p>	<p><b>FOR SALE</b> - 1985 GMC W7 - Cab over \$5,200, with a 20 ft. box 96 inch door, \$5,500 or with sleeper \$6,900. 693-2604.</p>	<p><b>FREE</b></p>	<p><b>FREE TO GOOD HOME</b> - Golden Retriever/ Doberman mixed puppies, all black. Call daytime 897-9281 ask for Cindy or evenings 897-8939.</p>
<p><b>ATTENTION CRAFTERS!</b> We are organizing &amp; taking reservations for a 1 day spring craft sale. May 2. Fee: \$15 for 8 ft. area. Those interested, call 897-7037, ask for Bobbie or 676-1120, ask for Alice.</p>	<p><b>BUSINESS SERVICES</b></p> <p><b>EUROPA AUTO SERVICE</b> - All German &amp; most foreign and American cars repaired! Just opened. 11797 E. Fulton, Lowell. Next to Larry's Collision. Reasonable rates.</p>	<p><b>HELP WANTED</b></p> <p><b>RN/OBRA COORDINATOR</b> - Lowell Medical Care Center is currently seeking an RN professional who wishes to put his/her nursing talents to work. The qualified candidate will have a current license in the state of Michigan. In this position, you will assist in in-service training, quality assurance, procedures &amp; clinical skills testing. We offer an excellent salary, insurance benefits &amp; a pleasant working environment. For immediate consideration, please apply in person or call administrator, Lowell Medical Care Center, 350 N. Center St., Lowell. 897-8473.</p>	<p><b>FOR SALE</b> - '79 Malibu, 4 door, V6 3 speed manual, needs clutch, \$200. Call 897-7620, leave message.</p>	<p><b>SALE</b></p> <p><b>WATERFRONT</b> - 2-3 bedroom year round home, Big Crooked Lake. Extra large double lot. 691-8847.</p>	<p><b>NEWS IN PICTURES</b></p> <p><b>Children and Pets: Good For Each Other</b> Six-year-old Linda, a patient at Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children in Chicago hugs "Doozer," a registered pet therapy dog.</p>
<p><b>BUSINESS SERVICES</b></p> <p><b>Complete Formal Wear Rental WEDDINGS OR OTHER SPECIAL OCCASIONS</b></p> <p><b>Pfaller's CLOTHING</b></p> <p><b>RIDGEVIEW SHOPPING CENTER</b> 2173 W. MAIN ST., LOWELL <b>Ph. 897-6411</b></p>	<p><b>BABY-SITTER NEEDED</b> - to care for my infant in my home, 2nd shift. 897-7865.</p>	<p><b>GIRLS WANTED</b> - between ages of 5 and 19 to compete in beauty pageant. Over \$2,000 in cash &amp; prizes awarded. For more information, call 1-800-937-6137.</p>	<p><b>FOR SALE</b> - 1986 Golf Volkswagen, excellent condition, like new. 676-0310.</p>	<p><b>FOR SALE</b> - 1976 1 ton Ford flatbed, excellent condition. Call 676-2943.</p>	<p><b>WOOD FOR SALE</b> - Seasoned mixed hardwoods or green oak. \$70 full cord, split; \$60 for round load. Delivery included in price. 1-945-4485, ask for Ken.</p>
<p><b>FOR SALE</b></p> <p><b>SOFA</b> - Wing-backed, \$30; wing-back chair, \$30; drum table, \$25; printer's drawer, \$10; antique smoking stand, \$25; truck tool box, fits in back of cab, \$30. Or best offers. 245-2199.</p>	<p><b>FOR SALE</b></p> <p><b>FOR SALE</b> - Tappan range, excellent condition, \$250, Speed Queen washer and dryer, good condition, \$300 for pair, call 897-7550 anytime.</p>	<p><b>FOR SALE</b></p> <p><b>FOR SALE</b> - 1986 Golf Volkswagen, excellent condition, like new. 676-0310.</p>	<p><b>FOR SALE</b> - 1976 1 ton Ford flatbed, excellent condition. Call 676-2943.</p>	<p><b>FOR SALE</b> - 1986 Golf Volkswagen, excellent condition, like new. 676-0310.</p>	<p><b>PERSONALS</b></p> <p><b>TO THE PERSON - who took my gold necklace from the Suntanner almost a year ago. I understand you still have it. Please return it. It was not insured and it was a gift from my husband. Please just drop it in Cher's mail slot at the Tanner. (Pam Sullivan) Please.</b></p>
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# LaGrow has a refreshing aqua outlook on "Fish 'N' Stuff"

Terry and Lynn LaGrow have raised your typical average family. Three kids, fish, a gerbil, a rat, birds, cats, dogs, and horses.

Their home serves as a community of all creatures great and small.

Knowing this, it should serve as no surprise that the LaGrows have opened "Fish 'N' Stuff Discount," a pet supply store at 117 W. Main.

Ironically, LaGrows might be their own best customer.

"I always had a pet when I was growing up as a kid," Terry LaGrow said. "I've just kind of grown with the critters."

Prior to the opening of "Fish 'N' Stuff Discount," LaGrow managed a pet store for a couple of years.

His pet supply store offers bulk cat and dog food, along with fish, and bird feed.

"Fish 'N' Stuff" also offers a wide selection of fish. "Every day a customer can come in and purchase two fish for the price of one," LaGrow explains.

LaGrow will also supply fish tanks and fish tank equipment.

He has parakeets and cock-a-teils. Along with bird cages to carry them home in.

LaGrow also provides the knowledge needed to have a clean and successful aquarium.

He says there are three common factors that cause fish to die prematurely.

"Three things should be set before putting the fish in the tank. The Ph level should be balanced. People can buy Ph kits to test the water," LaGrow says. "All fish need a certain amount of salt in the water and the temperature should be between 78-80 degrees."

He suggests those just starting out, purchase a 10-15 gallon tank.

"People probably have the hardest time with Angel fish. That's because they are the most susceptible to the Ph level," he explains.

For the bigger, more aggressive fish, LaGrow also offers feeder fish. Goldfish and guppies are the most commonly used as feeder fish.

LaGrow also sells crickets as feeder insects for lizards and chameleons.

The pet store owner says Angel fish and Neon fish are the most popular. Goldfish are considered the dirtiest.

The least favorable job of owning a tank has always been keeping it clean. The pet store owner says even that has been made much easier with all the new equipment.

Parakeets are to the bird family what goldfish are to fish.

The long tailed fowl is the most common small bird. All of the parakeets at "Fish 'N' Stuff" were hand-fed as babies.

LaGrow recommends that after purchasing a parakeet you put the bird in its cage covering it up about three-quarters the way around the cage, leaving

the bird enough space to look out if it so desires.

"This allows the bird privacy if it desires. This gives the bird time to adjust to his new environment," LaGrow said. "During the first seven days the new owner should not try to handle the parakeet. This may cause the bird stress."

LaGrow suggest that after the seven days are up, the cage door be opened, allowing the bird to come out if it so desires.

"It can take parakeets up to a year to become comfortable and begin to talk," LaGrow said.

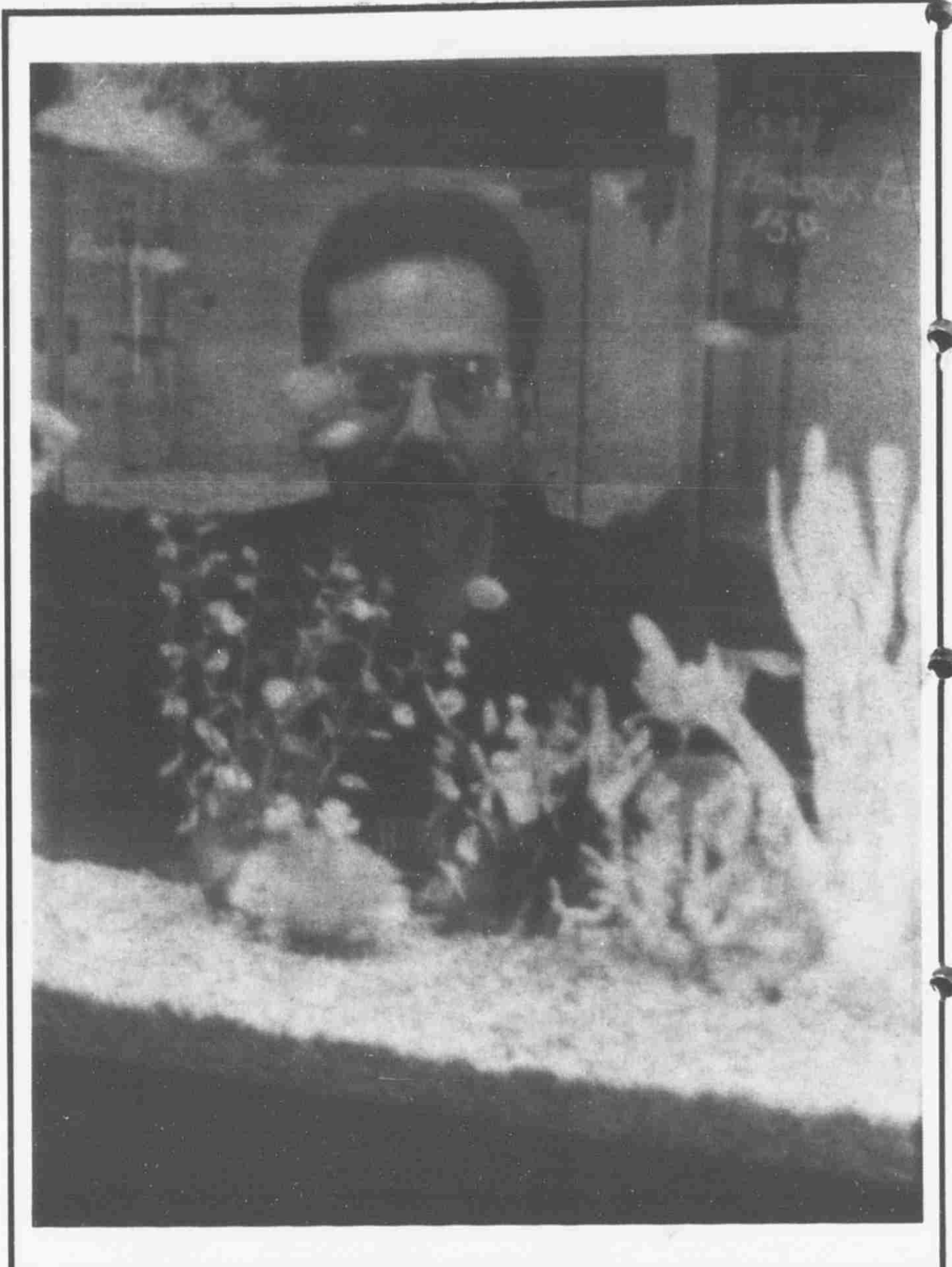
He also warns birds can catch colds from humans. "Birds are susceptible to catching colds from humans if they are handled while a person is sick," LaGrow explains. He also suggests that people don't buy two parakeets. He says you risk the birds interacting amongst themselves and ignoring you completely.

"Fish 'N' Stuff" also offers cat and dog products, toys, vitamins, and bulk bedding for critters.

"My wife was nervous about the venture. I actually feel comfortable. I believed I had a handle on what the area needed before opening the business," LaGrow explains. "I'm not going anywhere. I plan on being here a while. I have no time limit."

LaGrow said business is going well. "Most importantly, people are finding us."

"Fish 'N' Stuff" is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday.



Terry LaGrow opened "Fish 'N' Stuff" at 117 W. Main. He offers a variety of fish at two for the price of one.

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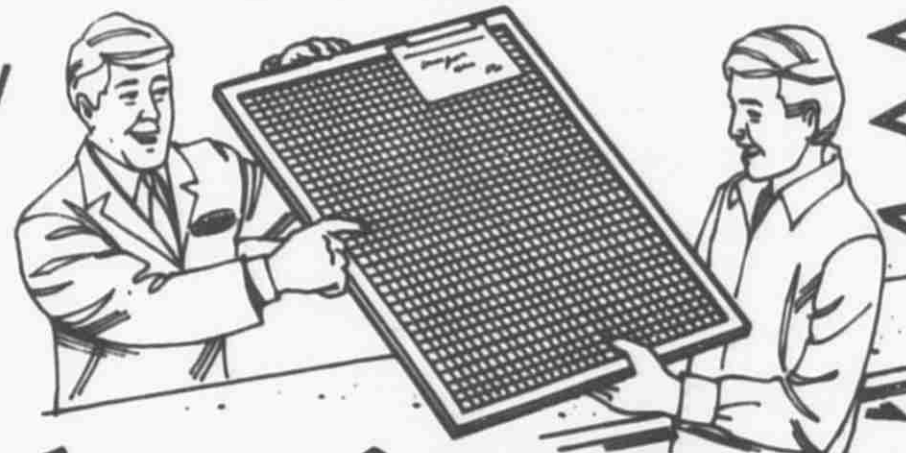
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