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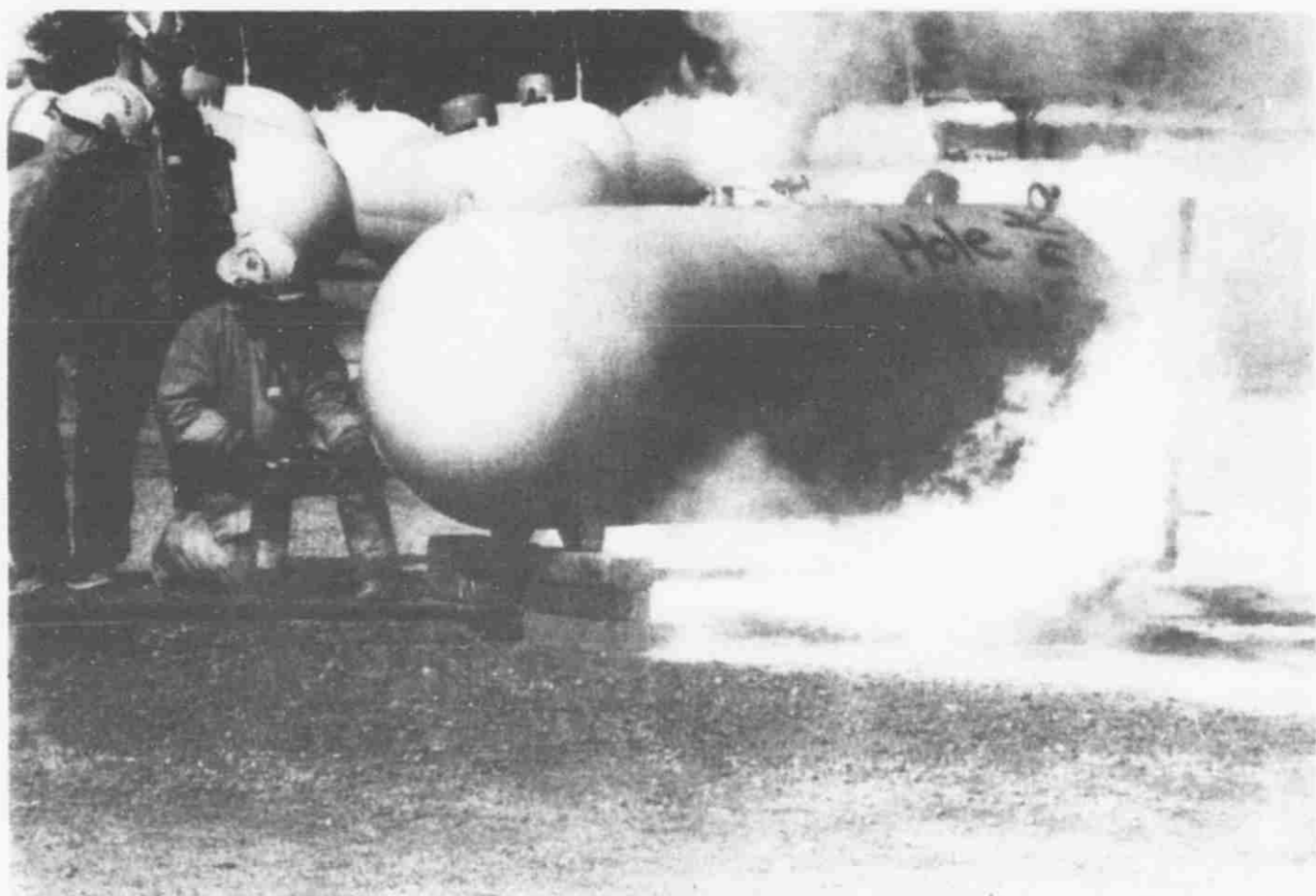
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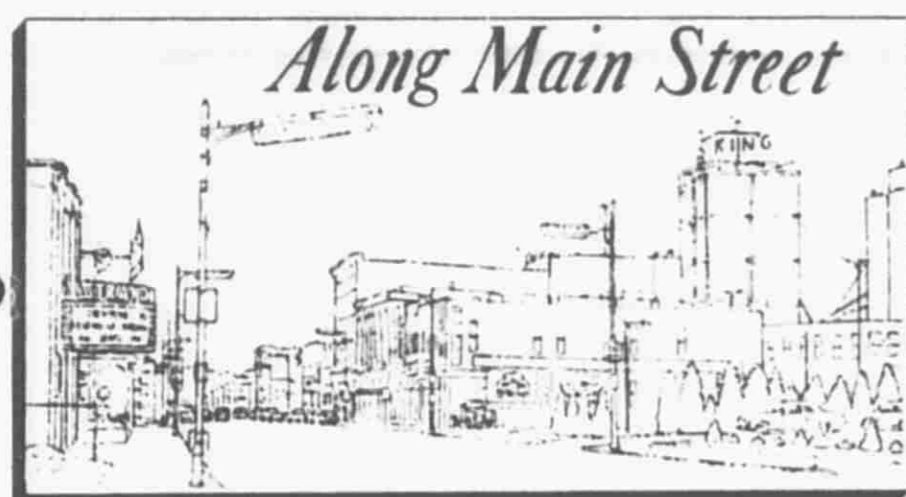
Ferrellgas holds hazardous material exercise for area firemen



The exercise helped firemen become more familiar in dealing with hazardous material.



Firefighters from Lowell and the surrounding area participated in a fireman safety exercise sponsored by Ferrellgas Propane.



FALL FESTIVAL RAFFLE

It just takes one ticket to win the 1992 Fallasburg Fall Festival Quilt. This year's quilt "Rose Gazebo" was created by Dolores Dey and friends and is on display at FMB State Savings Bank.

Over fifty Fallasburg Fall Festival artists have also donated items to be raffled along with the quilt. Tickets are available at FMB, The LAAC office or from an LAAC member. Join the fun and celebration and support the arts September 26 and 27.

PUMPKIN PICKING PARTY

There will be a big pumpkin picking party for all LAAC members and their families and friends to pick pumpkins for Fallasburg Fall Festival.

Meet Saturday, Sept. 19 at 10 a.m. at the Lowell Art Center, lunch to follow.

BOOK FAIR

If you like mysteries, biographies, classics, workbooks, humor, how-to books, sports, adventures and popular fiction, come to the Lowell Middle School's Scholastic Book Fair.

Everyone is invited and everyone who visits will be surprised, and delighted. The Book Fair will be held in the Media Center on Sept. 22 through 25 from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m.

ATTENTION LITTLE LEAGUE PARENTS

There will be a Lowell Little League meeting Oct. 6 at 7 p.m. at the High School.

Come join us and help plan for a great year in 1993. For more information call 897-7433.

SENIOR CITIZEN TRIP

Lowell Community Education is offering a motorcoach senior citizen trip to see the Toledo Geritol Follies on Friday, Sept. 25. The \$50 charge includes coffee and rolls, a delicious
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It's a flammable situation firefighters hope they never find themselves in. However it's one they must all be prepared for.

Saturday morning members of the Lowell, Ada, Cascade, East Grand Rapids Fire Departments and Kent County and Lowell ambulance participated in a fireman safety training exercise sponsored by Ferrellgas Propane, 12312, E. Fulton.

The program was to help area firefighters become more familiar in dealing with hazardous material.

"Most firemen are never involved with propane tank fires," Ferrellgas account manager, Joe Hogan said. "This was an exercise in how to fight this type of fire and how to approach the situation."

In a time where most school financial reports indicate that more tax dollars are needed, Lowell's Board of Education was pleased to support a motion that will save the taxpayers of Lowell Area Schools a total of \$4.3 million over the life of the bond issue.

"It is my hope the Community of Lowell will be pleased with the action of this Board," said Beverly Bonning of Thrun, Maatsch and Nordberg, the Board's bonding counsel. "Some schools have not taken advantage of the refinancing opportunity to the regret of its taxpayers."

Bonning said Lowell's sav-

Hogan explained, that doesn't always mean fighting the fire. He added sometimes it's best to just evacuate the area. "What you really want to do if you can, is to stop the source feeding the fire," Hogan said.

The morning program started with an introduction, followed by a tape about Boiling Liquid Expanding Vapor Explosion (BLEVE). A discussion of the tape followed. The firemen and rescue personnel were then taken on a plant tour of Ferrellgas' different transfer points (transferring the product to a certain type of vehicle - e.g. cylinder or tank).

Following the tour of the plant, the firemen participated in a fire extinguishing exercise (a simulation of a pro-

pane tank fire).

Hogan explained that propane tank fires only become hazardous if there is an explosion. He explained that an explosion takes place when the fire comes in contact with its own tank walls or another tank's outside walls. When the liquid on the inside can no longer absorb the heat from the flame the wall begins to break down, eventually allowing a mass of vapor and liquid to leak out, causing an explosion.

The fireman safety exercise was the first in the area. To a man, the 30-plus fire fighters and rescue personnel found the exercise beneficial.

Lowell fire captain Kelly Holst said it familiarized them with Ferrellgas' plant operation. "The exercise was excel-

lent for hands on experience. It helps our awareness as to what to expect."

Lowell firefighter Kevin Porter said he found the exercise very beneficial. "You never know when you'll be confronted with such a situation. This exercise gives us a better understanding of what to do. I want to thank Ferrellgas for the program," he said.

Explorer Ryan Burns said, "It is extremely helpful to explorers to learn how to fight different types of fire before they are actually on the scene of one."

"We'll probably do it again. It hasn't been done in the Lowell area before," Hogan concluded.

Lowell's taxpayers saved millions by school's bond re-financing

ings in re-financing its bond, will represent the largest savings in any school district to date in the State of Michigan.

Lowell's interest rates on its bond will drop from 7.5777 to 6.4450.

Bonning said financial advisors stated that the interest rates are the lowest they have been in 20 years or since John F. Kennedy was President.

The school fees for re-financing the bond will come out of the bond proceeds. Bonning said the fee figure will be \$108,000. It includes all professional fees, printing fees, state agency fees and underwriting fees.

Bonning stated that it would be inappropriate and illegal to take from the general fund to pay the fees.

Lowell Superintendent Fritz Esch said the school's attorney and financial advisors contacted the school about the low interest rates. "We've

spent two weeks putting this together and waiting for the right rate," Esch said.

The closing on the bonds will be Oct. 6. All the bonds have been sold.

The Board took action Monday to approve the re-financing of the bonds.



Obituaries

MYERS - Mr. William "Bud" J. Myers, aged 69, a life long farmer in Ada and a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Parnell, passed away on Sunday, September 6, 1992. He is survived by his wife, Rose; his children and their spouses, Bill and Karen Myers, Lenora and Joe Michaud, Vince Myers, Martin and Leslie Myers; five grandchildren; and a sister, Mrs. Aileen McCabe. The Mass of Christian Burial for Mr. Myers was offered on Wednesday morning at St.

Patrick Catholic Church, Parnell, with Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. Bolger and Rev. Fr. Wayne Wheeler as co-celebrants. Interment in St. Patrick's Cemetery.

KIRKBY - Gerald F. Kirkby, aged 79, of Lowell, died Monday, September 7, 1992. He is survived by his wife, Frances; children, John and Jan Kirkby of Lowell, Patricia Kirkby of Ft. Myers, FL; brother, William Kirkby of Tustin, MI; sister, Kathleen Noller of Kerney, NB; four grandchil-

dren; one great-grandchild. Funeral Services were held Friday at Roth-Gerst Chapel, Lowell. Rev. Robert Joseph of Seventh Day Adventist Church of Ionia officiating.

WYLIE - Mr. Floyd D. Wylie, aged 74, formerly of Ionia, passed away Wednesday, September 9, 1992 in Orlando, FL. He was former owner and administrator of Ionia Manor for 35 years. He served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. He is survived by his wife, Marguerite of Or-

lando; his sons, James (Patricia) Wylie of Kentwood, John (Cheryl) Wylie of Orlando, Robert (Rose) Wylie of Rockford and David Wylie of Orlando; six grandchildren, one great-grandchild; his sister, Mrs. Ada Skinner of Lowell. A Memorial Service was held Monday evening at the funeral home, with Rev. Fr. John Porter and Bishop Richter Council of Knights of Columbus, officiating. Entombment has taken place in Graceland Memorial Park.

Park sidewalk program approved

Two proposals were given

and \$12,000 was budgeted for the Stoney Lakeside Park sidewalk program.

At its September meeting, the City Council approved one of the two proposals and City Manager Dave Pasquale stated that the bids for the project came in under budget.

The proposal that was approved calls for a walk from the east to the west park property lines by the Water Treatment Plant (1038').

The job was awarded to Jordan Smith Concrete Construction (Lake Odessa) at a cost of \$9732.50.

The other proposal would have extended the sidewalk from the east property limits by the apartments to Valley Vista Drive (800'). Its cost would have been \$7,495.

Jordan Smith has provided several smaller jobs for the City and according to City Manager Dave Pasquale its work has been acceptable.

KSRP 14th Annual Ride-A-Thon next weekend at Ionia State Recreation Park

The Kent Special Riding Program will hold its 14th annual Benefit Ride-A-Thon on Saturday, Sept. 26, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Ionia State Recreation Area. The 1992 Annual Benefit Ride-A-Thon is sponsored by Radio Station WCUZ and Old Kent Bank and Trust.

The Annual Benefit Ride-A-Thon is a fund raising benefit with riders and hikers of all ages gathering pledges in support of KSRP. Participants are invited to bring their horses or hiking shoes and spend a day on the trails of the beautiful Ionia State Recreation Area. Prizes are awarded to entrants in various age categories based on the amount of pledges they have collected. Each entrant who brings in at least \$25 in pledges will receive lunch and a 1992 Ride-

A-Thon tee shirt, and participants will be entertained by special guest Bozo the Clown from TV 13.

Pledge sheets are available at WCUZ, the Tack Room, the Bridle Path (Ada), the Kent County Cooperative Extension office, and Blue Ribbon Feed Company.

The Kent Special Riding Program Annual Benefit Ride-A-Thon has been very successful in raising the needed funds to operate KSRP. In 1991, the Ride-A-Thon raised \$24,700, and KSRP anticipates an even more successful event in 1992. The Kent Special Riding Program is the 4-H Therapeutic Horseback Riding for Handicappers program in Kent County. KSRP is a non-

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Legal Notices

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT CLAIMS NOTICE Independent Probate FILE NO. 92-154,708-IE

Estate of PPAULINE M. LARSEN, Deceased SSN: 379-14-7947

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following: The decedent, whose last known address was 10370 Swem Road, Rockford, Michigan, 49341 died 7/29/92. An instrument dated 2/26/87 has been admitted as the will of the deceased. Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, NANCY SHURTER, c/o John D. Mitus, 410 Bridge Street, N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49504, or to both the independent personal representative and the Kent County Probate Court, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

GRATTAN TOWNSHIP HALL 11676 OLD BELDING ROAD BELDING, MICHIGAN 48809

Barry Bittrick Kent County Drain Commissioner

NOTICE KENT COUNTY OFFICE OF THE DRAIN COMMISSIONER NOTICE OF MEETING OF LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD

There will be a meeting of the "BIG CROOKED LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD" on the 22nd day of September, 1992, at 7:30 P.M. to hear objections to the apportionments, at the following location:

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FRPA fights to keep area natural

Tranquil Flat River is threatened by development

For Mike Armstrong and other neighbors on the shores of the Flat River, the threat of development, shore erosion, and further pollution to the stretch of river that runs between White's Bridge and the Covered Fallsburg Bridge,

became too great.

Armstrong and friends would like to keep the area natural and tranquil, but a 22-home development may threaten that desire.

In an effort to try to put controls on the section of river,

Armstrong and friends formed the Flat River Preservation Association.

"Our charge is to keep that section of the river clean, protect its wildlife, not let the shores become crowded and to keep it natural and tran-

quil," Armstrong, the presi-

dent of the association, said.

The 32 member association currently meets on a monthly basis. In the future that may change to bi-monthly, according to

Armstrong.

The association's concern is that with the old Bradshaw property being formed into a housing development, more people will be put on the water's edge, increasing jet skiers, water skiers, soil erosion, and driving out wildlife.

"We don't want it to turn into another Murray Lake. While the increase in residents, boats and jetskiers has worked out alright on Murray Lake, we don't think that is best for this stretch of the river."

Rivers are already being protected by the Natural River Beauty Act put in place by the State and the DNR. The formation of the association will just help tighten the focus.

The association's purpose is not only to protect the river, but to also enhance it.

"We will be responsible for bi-annual cleanups," Armstrong said. "That's a

minimum, there may be more if there is a need."

Another enhancement program Armstrong says the association will carry out is the maintenance of wood duck houses. "We want to enhance the shore birds habitat for nesting and breeding," Armstrong said.

The association also fears development will bring public access, which in turn creates traffic. Armstrong says the river is ideally suited for canoeing, but not for power boats ramming around, creating wakes which will cause erosion.

The Flat River Preservation Association will hold its first cleanup on Sunday Oct. 11. A time has yet to be determined. If interested in helping, people may call Armstrong at 897-6817.

There is a \$10 fee to join the association.

Area Births

Shad and Trisha (Stencel) Probst, of Lowell, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Nathan Scott, born Saturday, September 12, 1992. Nathan was born at 9:45 p.m. weighing 9 lbs. 2 oz. and measuring 21 inches.

Grandparents are Tony and Connie Stencel, of Lowell and Irvin and Zetta Probst, of Cedarville.

Great-grandparents are

Anna Stencel, and Freda Osborne of Livonia plus many aunts and uncles and cousins.

With only one bid received, the City's choice as to who to award its cemetery mower bid was clear cut.

George Hofacker, Grand Rapids, was awarded the bid for \$5,362.50 on a Yazoo

Master Mower 48" drive shift deck. There was \$8,000 budgeted

in the equipment fund for the purchase.



Drawing workshop starts Sept. 30

The Lowell Arts Center will kick off its Fall Workshop line-up Sept. 30.

Instructor Sandra Bartlett returns with an intensive eight week drawing workshop. Beginning students will meet Wednesdays 3:30 to 5 p.m. and advanced students will meet Thursdays 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Students will learn shading, perspective and drawing three dimensionally. This workshop is geared for children ages eight to 14. Class size is limited. The fee is \$55 for non-members and \$35 for members.

Laura Leasure is back to show the latest in basket making every Wednesday night in October from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Pick one night or pick them all, it's pay as you play. Several baskets will be offered including a special Halloween basket. Phone the Center at 897-8545 to enroll.

Explore the world of cubism through the eyes of Pablo Picasso and have fun creating your very own work of art. Instructor Chris VanAntwerp promises an exciting workshop. No experience is needed to have a great time two Saturdays in October. This workshop is available to sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth grade students. The fee is \$35 for non-members and \$25 for LAC members. All materials furnished. Call the Lowell Area Arts Center at 897-8545 to enroll or for further information.

Life is a great bundle of little things.

—Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr.

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FMB State Savings Bank "Employee of the Month"



GINNY GAUGER

The September 1992 FMB State Savings Bank "Employee of the Month" is Ginny Gauger. Ginny has been a bank employee for 18 years and works as a Customer Service Representative.

When asked about her job at the bank, she replies, "It's the employees that make FMB a nice place to work. In my 18 years at FMB I've made many friends. I like the variety of duties my job offers."

Ginny and her husband Jerry have two children, Tiffany and Jeremiah. Ginny's spare time is spent with her family and her hobbies include sewing, gardening and calligraphy. She is a life-long resident of Lowell and is a member of the First Baptist Church.

Congratulations September Employee of the Month, Ginny Gauger.



LOWELL & ROCKFORD

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WESTOWN 1425 West Main Street

ROCKFORD 68835 Belding Rd., N.E. 874-8330

Johnsons celebrate 50th anniversary



Martin and Treva Johnson, then and now.

Martin and Treva Johnson have been married 50 years as of Feb. 21, 1992 and will celebrate the occasion with an open house, given by their children, on Sept. 27.



The open house will be at the Lowell First United Methodist Church, 621 E. Main Street from 2 to 4 p.m. The couple requests no gifts.

Vows Spoken



Bobby Quinn and Beverly Curtis

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Curtis, of Brooksville, FL and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Quinn Sr., of Stone Mountain, GA, are pending marriage of Beverly Curtis and Bobby Quinn on October 16, 1992.

fore, I was lucky to get through it once..." Shirley was distressed when "cast upon a certain island," but she used her interruption to advantage. God has a reason for everything He allows to come to us. Let us always look for the purpose and make the best of "life's interruptions."

Prayer: Dear Lord, I do not understand why I have been "cast upon [this] certain island." Help me not to look upon this intrusion as a side-track or hindrance, but as an opportunity. Grant that I may make the most of my interruption. Teach me to be surrendered to Thy will. Show me what Thou wouldst have me do. Give me the strength and grace to never fail. Thee Amen.

Happy Birthday

Sept. 17: Sharon Johnson, Jill Rozman, Doreen Schneider, Sharon Durkes, Dennis Denton, Yvonne Swift, Terry Blattner, Chad Blasher.
Sept. 18: Barbara Kryger, Ron Wilkerson, Keith Frasier, Fern Lamb, Bob Schanta.
Sept. 19: Abbey Goff, Judith Bowden, Judy Young, Darlene Heeringa, Megan Claypool, Marj Snyder.
Sept. 20: Erik Fulkerson, Marilyn Dombak, Todd Johnston, Evan Ritzema, Edward Stormzand, Mike Hecht, Jack Winks.
Sept. 21: Jamie Zywicki, Deanne Anchors, Laura Staup.
Sept. 22: Mark Kloosterman, Anita Miller, Paul Whaley, Ellen Ritzema, Mike MacDonald, Dawn Ysseldyke, Rosie Fonger, Jennifer Haan.
Sept. 23: Wayne Michael Racine, Sally Johnson, Elba Moore, Glen Lehmann, Martha Sawicki

Viewpoint . . .



cozy corner by Roger Brown

I spent the weekend alone in motels located in places not usually found in dreamy travel brochures. Joliet, Illinois (famous for its penitentiary), Galesburg, Illinois (famous birthplace of uh, um, ah... oh I forget his name) and Michigan City, Indiana (famous for absolutely nothing that I know of).

The purpose of this fun-filled adventure was to attend the National Stearman Fly-in in Galesburg. I left early Friday and was stuck in Joliet when my 50 year-old biplane developed carburetor problems. After some creative repairs on the antique Stromberg, I limped into the fly-in Saturday afternoon. Sunday morning it was time to go, and the plane promptly developed a magneto problem. I nursed the coughing and wheezing crate as far as Michigan City before deciding it would be a shame to crash an irreplaceable antique in a farmer's pig lot. I am speaking of the airplane, not myself, when referring to an antique.

It was an intense weekend. The old bird quit on me entirely as I throttled back for my final approach into Joliet and a spitting and sputtering aircraft engine at any altitude is not conducive to anything even remotely resembling relaxation.

I'm sure the trials and tribulations experienced on my little sojourn will make good column material. But, having just limped in last night, I don't think I've digested the trip thoroughly enough to extract all the humor from it. At least I think I'll eventually be able to find some humor in a dead-stick landing.

So, as I lay on the bed in my room in Joliet I nearly wore out the remote control for the TV in an attempt to relieve my boredom. I'm tellin' ya, it's no wonder guys who have to travel on business are so weird. I was ready to climb the walls of that room after ten minutes. One of the things I ran across on my journey through the endless parade of TV trash was a humorous sidebar on a local news program. It seems a Chicago area University polled people for their ideas of what should be broadcast in an upcoming university project which will transmit a message from Earth out into the solar system. Here are some of the replies, as best as I can remember them.

"If you should make contact with us, please advise everyone here that all the money really does belong to me." Signed So-and-So.

Another said, "Things aren't so good here, so I think it would be best for all concerned if you'd contact me first, Cecil Myers, Brookfield... I'm in the book."

My favorite went something like, "We welcome your advanced thoughts in areas such as knowledge and healing, but please stop landing in Uncle Gilbert's bean field."

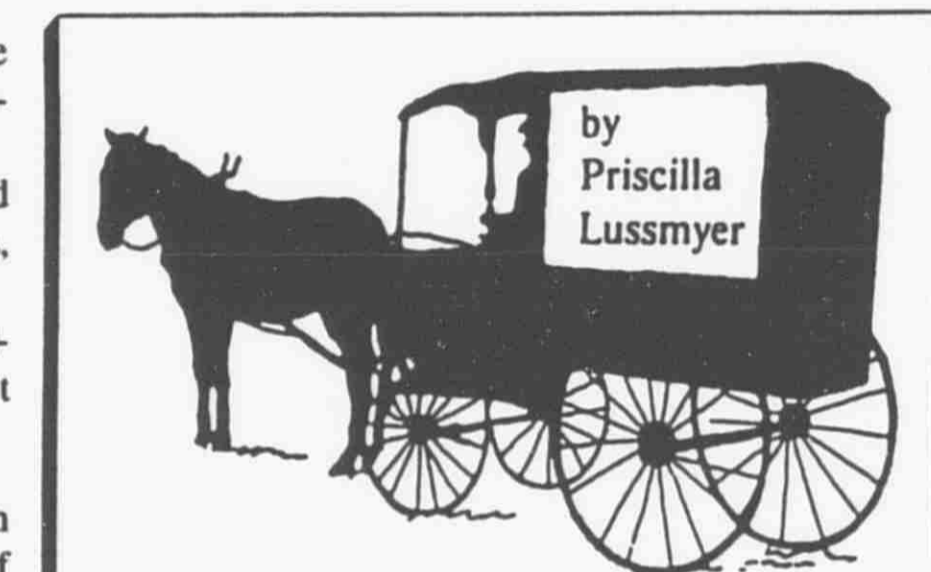
So, lying there in my cubicle, my warped mind came up with a few interplanetary messages of my own. How about, "If you're really as ugly as those pictures we see in the Star and

National Enquirer, we'd be glad to loan you Mel Gibson and Julia Roberts to model yourselves after." Then as a joke we could give them H. Ross Perot and Queen Elizabeth.

Or how about, "We're currently in the middle of our presidential campaign, how about taking Bush, Quayle, Clinton and Gore for a leisurely tour of the galaxy while we look for suitable replacements?"

Maybe something like this would pique their interest. "Tired of your daily routine and low paying job? Apply now to The National Truck Driving Academy. You too could make good money, be your own boss and set your own hours! Call 1-800-BIG-BUCKS!"

No? Well, I told you those motel rooms had me climbing the walls. Maybe I'm not fully recovered from my claustrophobia. Maybe I'm just plain weird. At any rate, it's time to end this mess and hope next week goes better.



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

100 YEARS AGO IN THE JOURNAL - SEPT. 14, 1892
Wealthy residents of Fire Island, near Long Island NY, protest the use of the island as a cholera quarantine station for immigrants. They say they will burn down the hotel the state purchased if the action is taken.

Mrs. J. T. Jones has a fuschia with 200 blossoms and Al Ransford has a sunflower with 192 blossoms.

The West Michigan Fair at Comstock Park is having its first Dog Show with 35 breeds diving up \$1,200 in premiums.

The Si Plunkard Show, at Train's Opera House last week had "an excellent Jew, an excruciatingly funny Dutchman, and a pair of fighting dogs."

75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - SEPT. 13, 1917
The Edwin Fallas Canning Co. adds machinery to bring production to over eight tons of mincemeat a day. Soldiers guard many railroad bridges now.

Principal of the High School G. A. Himebaugh is called to the Aviation Corps.

British training for draftees is down to 3-4 months and American troops may soon have the same.

13 women are arrested for placing banners about woman suffrage and interrupting the selective service parade in front of the White House. A wealthy Philadelphia woman furnishes bail.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - SEPT. 17, 1942
The new Main Street bridge is nearing completion. A car carrier with four new cars passed through Lowell last week, a rare sight in wartime.

Purchasers of toothpaste and other products in tubes must bring an empty to trade in. Tubes are almost 90 percent tin.

School enrollment is at an all-time high, with several new and former teachers filling the places of those in the services. High school students are excused to harvest or preserve crops, and math and science courses are very full.

25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - SEPT. 14, 1967
Parents south of Main Street protest the dropping of bus transportation for kindergartners due to opening the new Bushnell School. Another Alto barn and one just out of Lowell go up in flames, a week after the two arson fires in Alto. These may or may not have been set.

A paltry turnout of 269 voters approves the new Lowell Township zoning ordinance.

Lowell police churn out 10 West Main speeding tickets in two hours on Monday, thanks to radar.

The former McQueen garage on N. Broadway is bought by Lowell Light & Power for \$10,000.

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Thomet and Fox set a December wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thomet, of Lowell, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fox, of Lowell, are pleased to announce the engagement of their children, Carrie Lynn Thomet and Brian Thomas Fox.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Lowell High School and is a recent graduate of Chic University of Cosmetology.

The future groom is also a graduate of Lowell High School.

A Dec. 4, 1992 wedding is planned by the Lowell couple.



Homespun Devotions

By Pauline Spray

Howbeit we must be cast upon a certain island (Acts 27:26).

Interruptions can be trying. Just when you get your hands in the dishwasher, or the pie dough, the telephone rings.

Other interruptions cause delay in our work—sickness, for instance. When there are a million and one things to do, the doctor advises a series of X-rays in the hospital. "But I haven't the time," you sigh. However, the stern look in the physician's eye causes you to reconsider.

Paul's trip to Rome was interrupted by a shipwreck. In the midst of the storm he and his fellow travelers were "cast upon a certain island." God used this means to carry the message of the Gospel to the natives of the island of Melita.

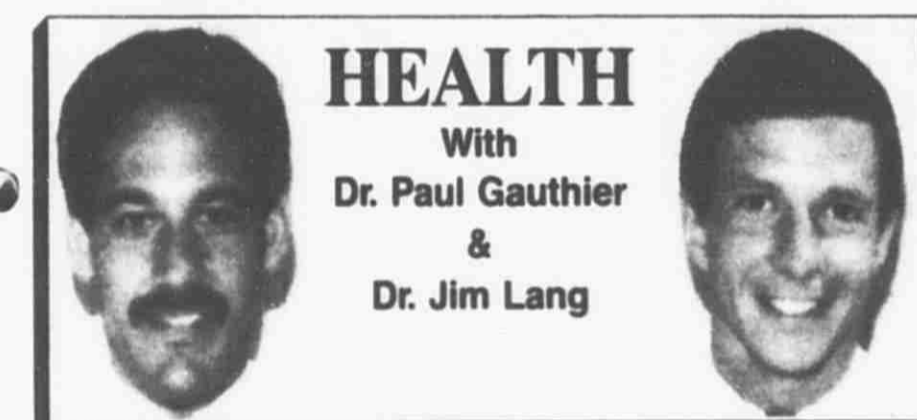
A friend, the mother of three young children, was bedridden. During her confinement, she wrote to me: "I've already gone over my prayer list twice today. Be-



Brian Fox and Carrie Thomet

AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

<p>ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH 1227 Thompage River Dr. 676-1032 Pastor THOMAS J. BARTHA Morning Worship 10:00 A.M. Sunday School 11:20 A.M. Evening Worship 6:00 P.M. We invite you to make this community church your church home. WELCOME TO ALL.</p>		<p>CORNERSTONE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF LOWELL Meeting at the Lowell Middle School (12675 Foreman) Sunday Morning Worship And Children's Activities 10:00 A.M. Midweek Bible Studies and Youth Groups "LISTENING AND HELPING" 897-0077</p>	<p>CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH OF LOWELL REV. CARL J. REITSMA - 897-9836 1151 West Main Street, Lowell, MI Morning Worship 10:00 A.M. Sunday School 11:20 A.M. Evening Worship 6:00 P.M. Nursery available at both services. Barner Free</p>
<p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL 2275 West Main Street Sun. Worship Services - 9:30 A.M. & 6:00 P.M. Sunday School 11:00 A.M. Awana - Wednesday 6:30 P.M. Ladies' Bible Study - Tues. 9:30 A.M. Prayer Meeting - call for location - 7:00 P.M. JOE GERKIN, PASTOR, 897-0017 DAN NAVE, ASSOC. PASTOR, 897-6737</p>	<p>ALTON BIBLE CHURCH Lincoln Lake Ave. at 3 Mile Road Sunday School 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening Praise 6:00 P.M. Wednesday AWANA 7:00 P.M. (Sept. - April) Prayer and Bible Study 7:30 P.M. REV. KENNETH R. MCGEE, Pastor 897-5648 or 897-4273 YOU ARE WELCOME!</p>	<p>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL (United Church of Christ) 404 North Hudson • 897-5906 Worship and Church School 10:00 A.M. Dr. Roger LaWarre Pastor Eleanor Martin Director of Education Roger MacNaughton Director of Music Barner-Free Nursery Provided</p>	
<p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LOWELL 621 E. Main Street 897-5936 REGULAR HOURS Morning Worship - 8:00 A.M. & 10:45 A.M. Church School 9:30 to 10:30 A.M. REV. WILLIAM AMUNDSEN, MINISTER Nursery available at both services. Barner - Free Entrance</p>	<p>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH 10305 Bluewater Highway Morning Worship 10:00 A.M. Sunday School & Adult Bible 9:00 A.M. JOSEPH FREMER, PASTOR 897-8307</p>	<p>EVERGREEN MISSIONARY CHURCH 10501 Settlement Ph. 897-7188 Sunday School 9:45 A.M. Worship Service 11:00 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Prayer and Praise - Wed. 7:30 P.M. GLENN H. MARKS, Senior Pastor, 897-9110 STAN GERIG - Associate Pastor, 897-5854 ALL ARE WELCOME! (Barner Free)</p>	<p>ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH 402 N. Amity MSGNR. JAMES MORAN MASSSES Saturday Mass 9:30 P.M. Sunday Masses 9:00 & 11:00 A.M.</p>



HEALTH With Dr. Paul Gauthier & Dr. Jim Lang

A new skin patch for the treatment of the menopausal female is now available in Britain. While in the United States a patch for menopause has been available for quite some time, the patch we use contains estrogen only. The new patch, called Estracombi (Ceiba-Geigy), combines estrogen and progesterone. It reportedly relieves many of the symptoms of menopause and still confers the benefit of prevention of osteoporosis.

Additionally, it improves the likelihood of compliance because their is no oral medicine which must be taken. Until now, in women who have not had hysterectomies, estrogen patches have had to be used in combination with oral progesterone.

The new patch contains a lower dose of progesterone than many of the current regimens being used to treat menopause. In many women, some of the side effects of progesterone make it difficult to take regularly: abdominal bloating, breast tenderness, anxiety, depression and irritability.

The estrogen only patches are worn for the first two weeks of the month and the combination patches are worn for the last two weeks. The patches are changed twice a week.

Because of increased compliance and potentially decreased side effects, we hope that this new patch for the treatment of menopause and the prevention of osteoporosis is quickly approved for use here in the United States.



Book Review by Joan Wittenbach

I gasped as I opened a birthday present - a book! But, not just any book. It was one that I had wanted for two years, I thought that someday I would just go and buy it at one of my favorite shops in Rockford, The Olive Branch. I didn't.

But now, FLAVIA AND THE DREAM MAKER was mine, and even more beautiful than I had remembered. I asked my friend who gave it to me to read it aloud to the birthday gathering. As she leafed through the pages, I sighed, often, smiled, and at times felt warm tears trickle down my cheeks. There was so much truth that caught my heart. Truth about life and growing up and being

grateful for each day. I watched my friends and saw their faces masking the same emotion. We understood Flavia's story.

This book is auto-biographical and introduces the reader not only to Flavia as an author, but as the artist and philosopher that she is known to be. Her family and the early years of her growing up are drawn in whimsical, soft pastel sketches. Her Uncle Jack is her personal dream maker and it is to him that the book is dedicated. His influence in her life has been a springboard in much of her creativity.

This is Flavia's first children's book, but there are others, plus an enchanting collection of other memorabilia which could easily make one into a collector. Anything given from Flavia is a gift of cherished love.

Sue Bricker, the owner of The Olive Branch is delightful as she escorts her customers around the shop, and I am sure she'd have something just for you or someone that is special in your life.

FLAVIA AND THE DREAM MAKER
by Flavia Weedn
Price: \$19.95

Letters

Dear Editor,
First Congregational Church of Lowell was the gathering point for supplies to be sent to Hurricane Andrew victims as part of the International Relief effort of the Red Cross. The response from the community was gratifying and we of First

Congregational, on behalf of the many who will be helped by these donations, wish to say thank you to all who gave of their time and resources.

A total of three van loads of material was distributed to help those in need. One van load included food, cleaning supplies, blankets, towels and

Thank you,
Dr. Roger LaWarre
First Congregational Church,
U.C.C. of Lowell

To the Editor,

The school board has seven elected members. We think they picked an odd number for a reason. The school board meets the second Monday of each month at 7:30

Main St., cont'd.

lunch and the show.

The trip will be shared with Caledonia and Middleville, so reserve your place early. Call Marge at 897-8434 to make your reservation and learn about the program to be presented.

HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION RAFFLE

Lowell Area Historical Association museum fund-raiser raffle drawing will be held Oct. 17. Tickets available at FMB State Savings Bank or from LAHA members.

First prize, "Scenes from the Historical Crossroads" by Gary Eldridge, on display at FMB. Second prize, two nights at McGee Homestead Bed and Breakfast.

D.D.A. MEETING

There will be a meeting about Lowell's D.D.A., Sept. 17 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. Anyone interested please feel free to attend.

FALLSBURG FALL FESTIVAL

Plan to attend the 24th Annual Fallsburg Fall Festival, Sept. 26 and 27. Featured will be arts and crafts, food booths, entertainment, demonstrations of turn-of-the-century skills, antique autos, the annual quilt and art raffle, a free children's craft area, free parking and free admission.

PIONEER DAYS IN FALLSBURG VILLAGE

Pioneer Days will be held Oct. 10 and 11. Food, crafts, demonstrations, cake contest, old fashioned baseball game and more.

Letters, continued...

p.m. Mr. Byrne, where are you?

Some of us had misgivings about re-electing anyone from the previous board. You admitted you had made some mistakes but, assured us we

would be well represented this time around.

Can we be truly well represented by an empty chair?

Lisa and Ed Stormzand II

Free admission. Sponsored by Fallsburg Historical Society. Follow the signs at Fallsburg Park into Fallsburg Village, parking by Scouts.

PERSON OF THE YEAR NOMINATION DEADLINE

The Chamber of Commerce Person-of-the-Year nomination deadline is Sept. 18 for the Oct. 17 dinner. Mail your nomination to: Chamber Person-of-the-Year P.O. Box 224, Lowell, MI 49331-0224.

ATTENTION YOUNG ADULTS

The Lowell Area Fire Department is now forming a Explorers Post for anyone interested in learning about the fire service. You must be at least 14 years of age and have completed the eighth grade or be 15 years old and not yet 21.

There will be a sign-up meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 29 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be at the Lowell Area Fire Station located at 315 South Hudson Street. For more information call Tom at 897-7607, weekdays, between 3 and 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Lowell Area Fire Department and The Boy Scouts of America.

HOMEWORK HOTLINE NUMBER CORRECTION

The correct number for the Lowell Middle School Homework Hotline is 246-6122.

"ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT COLLEGE"

The Lowell High School Student Services Center and the Academic Boosters Club will be co-sponsoring a program called, "All You Need To Know About College," Sept. 21, at 7 p.m. in the High School Media Center.

Four college admission representatives will be present. All students and parents are invited with the main focus on juniors and seniors. Refreshments will be served.

COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION

Commodities will be distributed between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 24, at the Moose Recreation Building, 1320 E. Fulton.

OFF THE BLOTTER

Carrie VanTatenhoven, 20, of Zeeland, reported to police that the trailer she was towing was struck by a hit and run driver on South Hudson near Bowes Road, Sept. 12. No injuries were reported.

James Bowen, 21, of Lowell, was involved in a property damage accident, Sept. 8, when he failed to stop in time and struck a vehicle driven by John Roudabush, 17, also of Lowell. The impact sent Roudabush's car into the rear of a vehicle driven by John Wright Jr., 30, of Fowler. The accident occurred on Main Street near Pleasant.

Brake failure was the cause of a property damage accident, Sept. 7, on Hudson near Main Street, when a car, driven by Bruce Wilk, 34, of Lowell, exiting a private drive, struck a vehicle driven by Elizabeth Thompson, 69, also of Lowell.

Arrested Sept. 9 on a warrant for failure to appear in court was Dennis Eckman, 23, of Lowell.

David Warren, 26, of Lowell was arrested by Lowell officers, Sept. 9, on a warrant issued by the Friend of the Court in Kent County.

Gabriel VanderWulp, 17, of Ada, was involved in a property damage accident, Sept. 9, when he struck the rear of a vehicle driven by Robin DeWitt, 41, of Lowell, of Hudson Street near Howard.

Pamela Hotchkiss, 28, backed from a driveway on Valley Vista Drive and struck a parked vehicle owned by Wayne and Sandra Hendrick on Sept. 10. No one was injured. Both are Lowell residents.

Melba LaPreze, 72, of Lowell, was involved in a property damage accident, Sept. 13, when she struck a car while backing from a parking space on North Central Street. The parked vehicle was owned by Sandra Wright, of Greenville. Arrested by Lowell officers, Sept. 11, for driving while license suspended, second offense, was Leo Ryan, 49, of Lowell.

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Fallsburg Fall Festival features full fare of food

The 1992 Fallsburg Fall Festival is less than two weeks away which means that 12 area groups are very busy preparing for the hungry crowd which will descend on Fallsburg Park. The Lowell Area Arts Council food booth committee has selected the non-profit organizations to operate booths at the 24th Annual Festival to be held September 26 and 27.

Six of the booths offer food fit for lunch or dinner for

those who want to make a day of the festival, which runs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday. The First Congregational Church of Lowell has both barbecued pork sandwiches and vegetarian sandwiches in pita bread, accompanied by chips-n-cheese, brownies and cheesecake. Chili and homemade soup, accompanied by a roll are available from the Knights of Columbus of St. Mary's

Church. The Lowell Athletic Boosters will be selling beef shish-kabobs, while the Lowell Area Jaycees prepare soft-shell tacos, corn-on-the-cob, and tortilla chips with salsa.

For a break from beef, diners can visit the Lowell Fire Department booth for a chicken dinner complete with potato salad, baked beans and a roll. Finally, a meal can be made of the Polish dogs offered by the Lowell Rotary Club.

The remaining six booths offer desserts and snacks. The Alto Lions club will be frying the always popular elephant ears and French fries. Offering traditional fall snacks, the Fallsburg Historical Society will sell caramel apples and donuts. The Lowell Lions Club will offer soft pretzels, with or without melted cheese and the Vergennes United Methodist Church will offer two flavors of a favorite dessert with both apple and peach dumplings.

Sharing the north porch of the pavilion will be the Women of the Moose with homemade pies and the LAAC Kids, who will be popping enough popcorn for everyone at the festival and selling balloons for the kids as well. The booths will also sell cocoa, hot and cold cider, lemonade, fruit punch, coffee and canned pop.

While sampling this great array of food, festival visitors can enjoy musical entertain-

ment on the outdoor stage and afterwards they can use up all the calories while walking among the 76 artists' booths and enjoying the demonstrations of traditional craftspeople.

Other features are a free children's craft area, a show of antique vehicles and the annual opening of the Fallsburg Post Office with an original cancellation for collectors. Everyone will want to

buy a chance in the raffle of a handmade quilt and other art objects. With parking free and no entrance fee, this two-day festival promises an enjoyable outing for the whole family.



Lowell's Fire Department will once again sell chicken dinners.

KSRRP, continued

KSRRP has been in operation since 1976. Since then the program has grown from 25 riders to more than 100 per six-week session, and to date, the program has served over 3,000 special riders. For more information about the Annual Benefit Ride-A-Thon or the Kent Special Riding Program, contact the Kent County Co-operative Extension office at 774-3265.

profit organization dedicated to teaching mentally, physically, and emotionally challenged individuals of all ages to ride horses. Funds raised by the Annual Benefit Ride-A-Thon will be used to train and pay instructors, feed and maintain horses, maintain the riding facilities, and for administrative costs.

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Dental News

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Coming Events

Notices in The Ledger's "Coming Events" are free of charge to any non-profit organization in the Lowell, Ada, Alto, and Saranac area. We prefer such notices to be kept brief and to be submitted by mail, but will accept notices by phone at 897-9261.

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

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

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

SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: Golden Swingers meet 6 p.m. at Lowell Senior Center.

EVERY MON.: Boy Scout Troop 102, for boys 11 and up, or completing the 5th grade, will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m., during the school year, in the Scout Cabin, at the end of North Washington Street. Enjoy activities like hiking and camping and learn skills that can last a lifetime. For more information call 897-8829.

SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: The Bowne Township Historical Society will hold its regular meetings at the Township Office, 6059 Linfield A. E., Alto. The meeting is at 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

TUESDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly: Tops #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: If you are looking for an enjoyable way to exercise, come join the Lowell Community Education line dance at The First United Methodist Church at 10:30 a.m. Bring comfortable shoes. \$1 donation.

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 Group meets 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: Tops #M, No. 333. Saranac, meets every Thursday evening at the Saranac Public Library. Weigh-ins at 6:45 p.m.

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 EACH MONTH: All Lowell area senior citizens are cordially invited to attend the Lowell Community Education lunch and learn at 12 p.m., at Lowell High School. The cost of lunch for 1992-93 school year is \$2.20. Call Marge at 897-8434 to make your reservation and learn about the program to be presented.

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: Tops #M 1493 meets every Sat. at 9:00 a.m. in the Congregational Church basement in Lowell. Corner of Spring and Hudson Sts. weigh-ins from 8:30 a.m. to 8:50 a.m.

EVERY THIRD SATURDAY: Men's Breakfast 8

a.m. at Lowell Assembly of God, 3050 Alden Nash, just south of town). Special speaker and good food. For more info call 897-7047.

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

EVERY THIRD THURS.: The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse at 7:30 p.m., 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.

FALLSBURG SCHOOL-HOUSE MUSEUM: Across the Covered Bridge from Fallsbury Park and opened from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays May - October. Admission is free.

EVERY TUES.: Coffee break Bible study and children's story hour, (3 to 6 years old). Free at Calvary Christian Reformed Church, 1151 W. Main, 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. No previous Bible knowledge or experience expected. Nursery provided.

THURS., SEPT. 17: Past Matrons of Cyclamen Chapter #94 O.E.S. will meet at the home of Fran DeGraw, 725 Bowes Rd., H-1 at 7 p.m.

SAT., SEPT. 19: Cannonsburg Christmas Light Assoc. will host a pancake

breakfast, from 7 to 11 at the Cannonsburg Elementary School on Sturgis Ave. Cost is \$3 adults, \$1.25 children, \$10 per family. At the door adults \$3.50 & children \$1.75. Advanced tickets at Donahues Country Market and Honey Creek Inn.

SAT., SEPT. 19: Day Bible Chapel, Centerline Rd., Saranac, Ice Cream Social changed to Sept. 19, 7 p.m. Everyone welcome.

MON., SEPT. 21: Fallsburg Historical Society, 6:30 p.m. at Celtic Isle Restaurant, 211 West Main, Lowell. Dinner and program, "Special Events." Reservations necessary. Call 897-7000 or 897-6430.

MON., SEPT. 21: Lowell American Legion Auxiliary will meet at 1 p.m. in the lounge at Schneider Manor. Come and meet our 1992 Girls' State Representative. Our sponsor, Angeline Mulder.

THURS., SEPT. 24: Commodities will be distributed between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the Moose Recreation Building, 1320 E. Fulton.

THURS., SEPT. 24: Alto School Book Fair & open house, from 7 to 8 p.m. Featuring books from The Book Tree.

SAT., SEPT. 26: Pig Roast from 5 to 7 p.m. at Bowne Center United Methodist Church, corner of 84th St. and Alden Nash (M-50).

SAT. & SUN., SEPT. 26 & 27: The 24th Annual Fallsburg Fall Festival will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day at Fallsburg Park, 4 miles north of Lowell. Featuring art and crafts, food booths, entertainment, etc. Free children's craft area, free parking and free admission.

MON., SEPT. 28: Cyclamen Chapter #94 O.E.S. is having a Meijer Community party at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$4 each and can be purchased from any officer of the Cyclamen Chapter. Please purchase tickets by Sept. 20.

TUES., OCT. 6: Lowell Little League meeting at 7 p.m. at the High School for information call 897-7433.

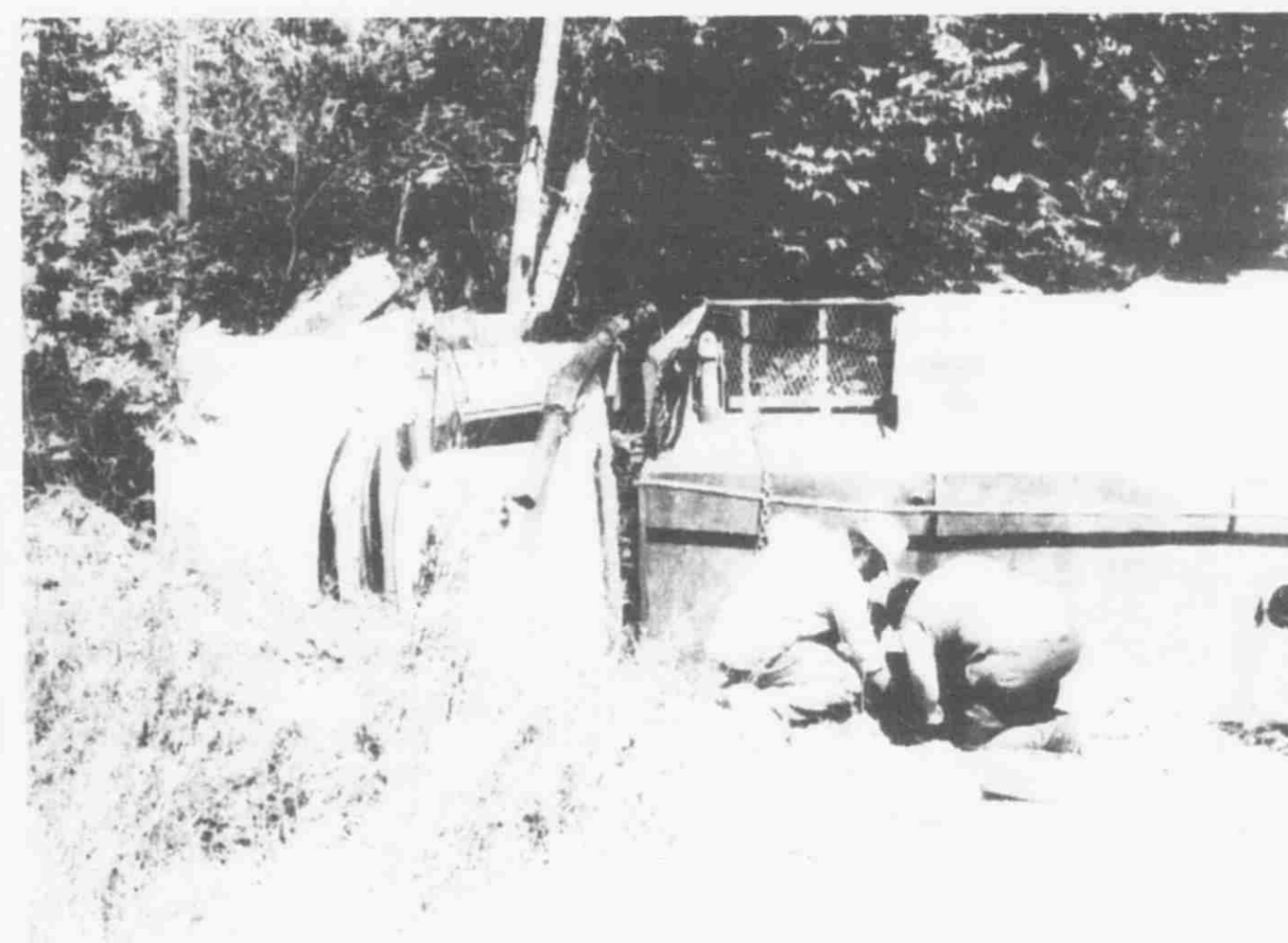
OCT. 14 & 28: Senior flu clinic at Lowell Township Hall, 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. Healthy seniors 65 and older with household members of 60 and older will be given the vaccine. A \$5 contribution would be appreciated if able to pay.

Success is a toy balloon among children armed with sharp pins. —Gene Fowler

Brakes fail Geiger Well Drilling driver



While attempting to back his truck onto property on Timpson Road, Manning Meyia of Geiger Well Drilling lost his brakes on his truck on Tuesday, Sept. 8. As the truck started down the hill Manning tried to stop it, but couldn't. However, he did manage to keep the truck from going over the hill onto Grand River Drive, which could have been



disastrous to oncoming traffic or the residents. Manning was not hurt seriously but was taken to Belding Hospital for a checkup.

Picture courtesy John Whaley

Townships and City's priority list starts with M-21/Bowes/Alden Nash intersection

The Citizen Planning Commissions of the City of Lowell, Vergennes and Lowell Township met to discuss and further the communications of a metropolitan wide basis of the singular planning issues that all three entities have in common.

As the highlights of these plans were reviewed, it became apparent that the M-21, Bowes Road and Alden Nash intersection was high on each commission's priority list for improvement.

Areas of concern regarding this intersection include:

* Increasing development and traffic occurring along M-21 within both Lowell Township and the City of Lowell limits. "By the year 2010, the traffic volume along this corridor is estimated to have increased 51 percent from today's levels," said Mike Blough, chairman of the Lowell Planning Commission.

* A distinct possibility for the land south of M-21 would be an industrial area.

ment in areas serviced by this major traffic artery as well as an increased school commuter traffic load due principally to the location of the new senior high school complex within Vergennes Township.

* The complex configuration of this intersection due to the oblique angle at which Bowes Road meets M-21. "This configuration leads to confusion, impedes lines of sight as well as turning sig-

nals for drivers attempting to negotiate left to right hand turns from Bowes onto M-21," Blough said.

The Citizens Planning Commissions adopted a motion to prepare a recommendation for adoption by all individual planning commissions.

A distinct possibility for the land south of M-21 would be an industrial area.

The property acquisition and new street work would take place primarily within the City limits. Capital improvements budgeting must take place to determine when such a project can occur.

Tuesday night (Sept. 9) the Lowell City Council supported a motion to pursue the planning process with the State Highway Department.

"This plan is not creating any new road, it is just redefining the configuration of the intersection," Blough said.

The intent would be to straighten the southern approach of Bowes Road to provide a 90 degree intersection with M-21.

- Installing a traffic light at the improved intersection.
- Installing left turn lanes.
- Installing right turn deceleration lanes.

It was further recommended that the current quarter mile of Bowes Road be modified to a cul-de-sac and a new connector extension of Bowes Road be created extending from the City of Lowell into Lowell Township south of M-21.

"This proposed realignment is not presented as an ultimate solution," Blough said. "Instead it is a way of addressing with vigor and importance the need to improve the intersection."

Councilman Bill Thompson questioned the business response to routing traffic south of the business area. Blough said the planned approach would give drivers a safe traffic corridor.

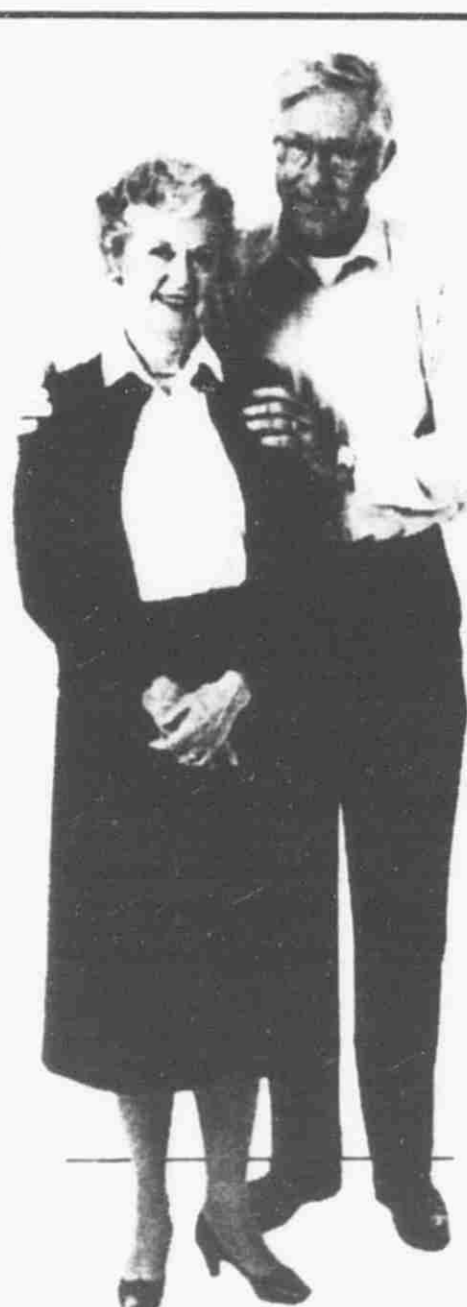
Councilman Don Green said he didn't think it would have a major impact. "Right now all it takes is a little turn of the wheel to get off of M-21 and onto Bowes. With a turning lane and a stop light cars may show less patience and continue straight rather than waiting to turn," Green said.

The realignment of Bowes Road could also help open up new development alongside the south frontage road (Bowes) to M-21. In turn, it would also help minimize the curb cuts on M-21.

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Notice is hereby given that the Vergennes Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, September 23, 1992 at 7:30 p.m. at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, for the purpose of receiving comments on a proposed ordinance amendment to rezone a portion of Parcel 41-16-35-351-020 in the SW 1/4 of Section 35 from "R-2" Medium Density Residential to "I" Industrial. David L. Divine, owner, has requested such rezoning.

The above parcel of about 16 acres is located at or about 1089 Lincoln Lake and is presently divided between two zoning districts. The south 8+ acres has been zoned "I" Industrial since 1982. The north portion of 7+ acres has remained "R-2" Residential. The Vergennes Township Master Plan of 1989 (page IV-7 and Map 10) recommends that this entire parcel be available for "I" industrial zoning.

The specific wording of the proposed amendment can be reviewed at the Vergennes Township Hall on Mondays and Wednesdays between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Written comments will also be considered if received by the Township Clerk prior to 7:30 p.m. on September 23, 1992.

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Lowell police department welcomes South Haven native, Hinton, to staff

Lowell Police Chief Barry Emmons and the Lowell Police Department welcomed a new member to its staff Tuesday (Sept. 8).

James Hinton, a native of South Haven, was hired in to help fill the void left by officer Mike Martin, who left the Lowell police force to become the Police Chief in Leslie.

Hinton joins Lowell having spent five years working

with the VanBuren County Sheriff's Department as a Marine Deputy (search and rescue in water). He served as the supervisor for 2-1/2 of those years. Prior to that he worked as a 911 dispatcher for 1-1/2 years and he has eight months of experience working on the road as deputy for the Van Buren County Sheriff's Department.

Through the placement

agency at Kalamazoo Valley Community College, Hinton got a list of agencies that had participated in career days. "After getting a list of names, I sent out cover letters and resumes," Hinton explains. "Lowell was the second place to contact me."

Hinton was then put through a test, an interview and a psychological evaluation.

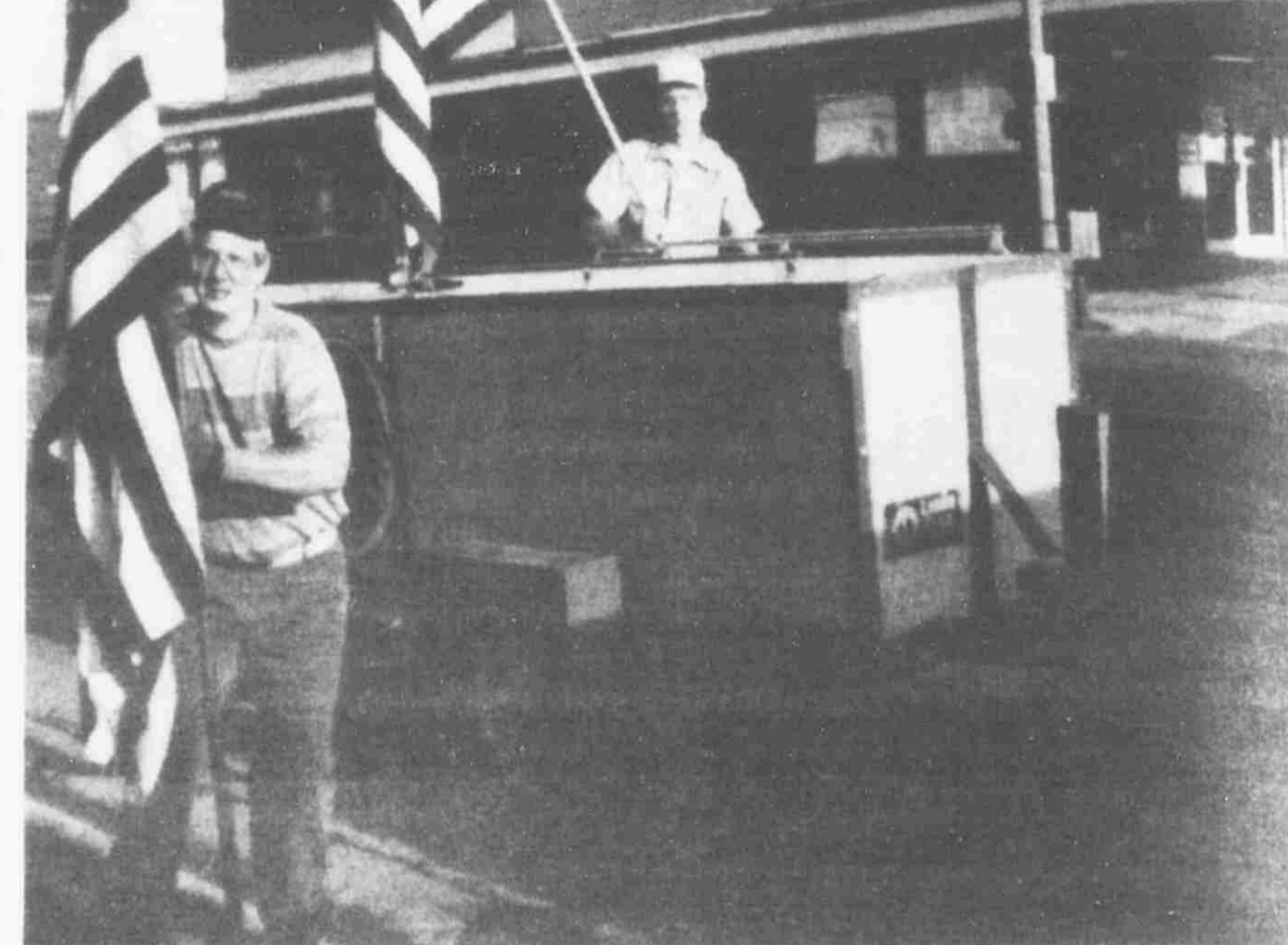
The evaluation measured his reasoning, his aggressiveness, his mental soundness, his frame of mind to be a police officer and his ability to solve problems.

"The three written exams took roughly three hours. The oral interview lasted 1-1/2 hours," Hinton explained. "It took a month-and-a-half before I learned the results."

The results came in the form of a question from Emmons, "Would you like to join the Lowell Police force?" Hinton said he was very interested and took the job.

The new Lowell officer said he's interested in getting to know the needs of the community and the department. "I want to help the community by solving disputes and keeping drunk drivers off the street."

Hinton and his wife Debbi, of two years, are looking to relocate in Lowell. They enjoy boating, skiing and family functions.



Explorers Post signing up members

The Lowell Area Fire Department is now forming a Explorers Post for anyone interested in learning about the fire service. You must be at least 14 years of age and have completed the eighth grade or be 15 years old and not yet 21.

There will be a sign-up meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 29 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be at the Lowell Area Fire Station, located at 315 South Hudson Street. For more information call Tom at 897-7607 weekdays between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sponsored by The Lowell Area Fire Department and The Boy Scouts of America.

Thomet awarded dump truck bid

Thomet Chevrolet was awarded the bid on the new cemetery dump truck. The truck, 1992-93 cab

chassis truck with a two to three yard HD box nine feet long will be purchased from Thomet Chevrolet for \$21,655.

Of the four bids that met the City specifications, Thomet was the lowest bidder.

Orson E. Coe of Grand Rapids submitted a lower bid of \$21,200 but the 8'1" dump box did not meet specifications where 9' was required.

The City sold its trade-in, a 1985 Dodge dump truck to Noon Equipment for \$3,304. That price was higher than any of the trade-in prices offered by the dealers.

The combination of Thomet and Noon Equipment provided the City of Lowell with the lowest net combination (\$18,351).

Lowell City Manager Dave Pasquale noted that \$25,000 has been budgeted for the purchase from the Equipment Fund.

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MORNING

- 5:00 Sports LateNight
5:20 MOVIE: Cover Up Two men in Israel are stalked by terrorists...

EVENING

- 6:00 Who's the Boss? (CC)
6:05 News
6:10 Off to the Races From Hazel Park

AFTERNOON

- 12:00 MOVIE: Casablanca An American running a bar in Africa faces a difficult choice when an old lover walks in with her husband...

- 9:00 MTV's Weekend Blastoff
9:05 Nashville Now
9:10 SportsCenter

- 9:30 MTV's Weekend Blastoff
9:35 Nashville Now
9:40 SportsCenter

- 10:00 MTV's Weekend Blastoff
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- 11:00 MTV's Weekend Blastoff
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- 11:30 MTV's Weekend Blastoff
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SATURDAY

September 19

MORNING

- 5:00 Sinatra in Concert, Royal Festival Hall (Stereo)
5:05 Dennis the Menace

- 6:00 NBC Nighttime
6:05 Marketing
6:10 NBC Nighttime

- 6:30 World of Collector Cars
6:35 News/Our Money
6:40 ATP Tour Magazine

- 6:45 Wondershow Family
6:50 Wondershow Family
6:55 Wondershow Family

- 7:00 House of Style
7:05 Golden Girls (CC)
7:10 CBS News (CC)

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SUNDAY

September 20

MORNING

- 5:00 Music Videos
5:05 Sports LateNight
5:25 [MAX] MOVIE: Kiss Me a Killer (Stereo)
5:30 CNN News
5:35 [MAX] MOVIE: Kiss Me a Killer (Stereo)
6:00 [MAX] MOVIE: Kiss Me a Killer (Stereo)
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6:30 [MAX] MOVIE: Kiss Me a Killer (Stereo)

- (CC) To Be Announced
7:05 Music Videos
7:35 Music Videos
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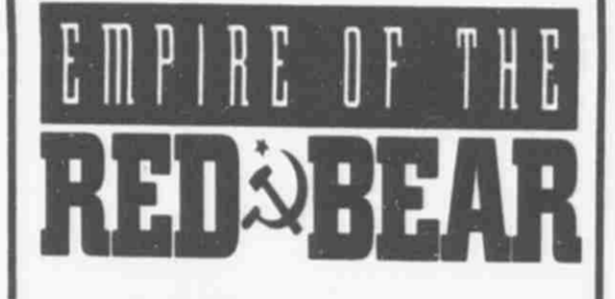
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September 21

- MORNING
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6:15 [MAX] MOVIE: Wicked Stepmother (CC)
7:00 [MAX] MOVIE: Bunny Lake Is Missing (CC)
7:30 [MAX] MOVIE: M.C. (CC)
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DAYTIME

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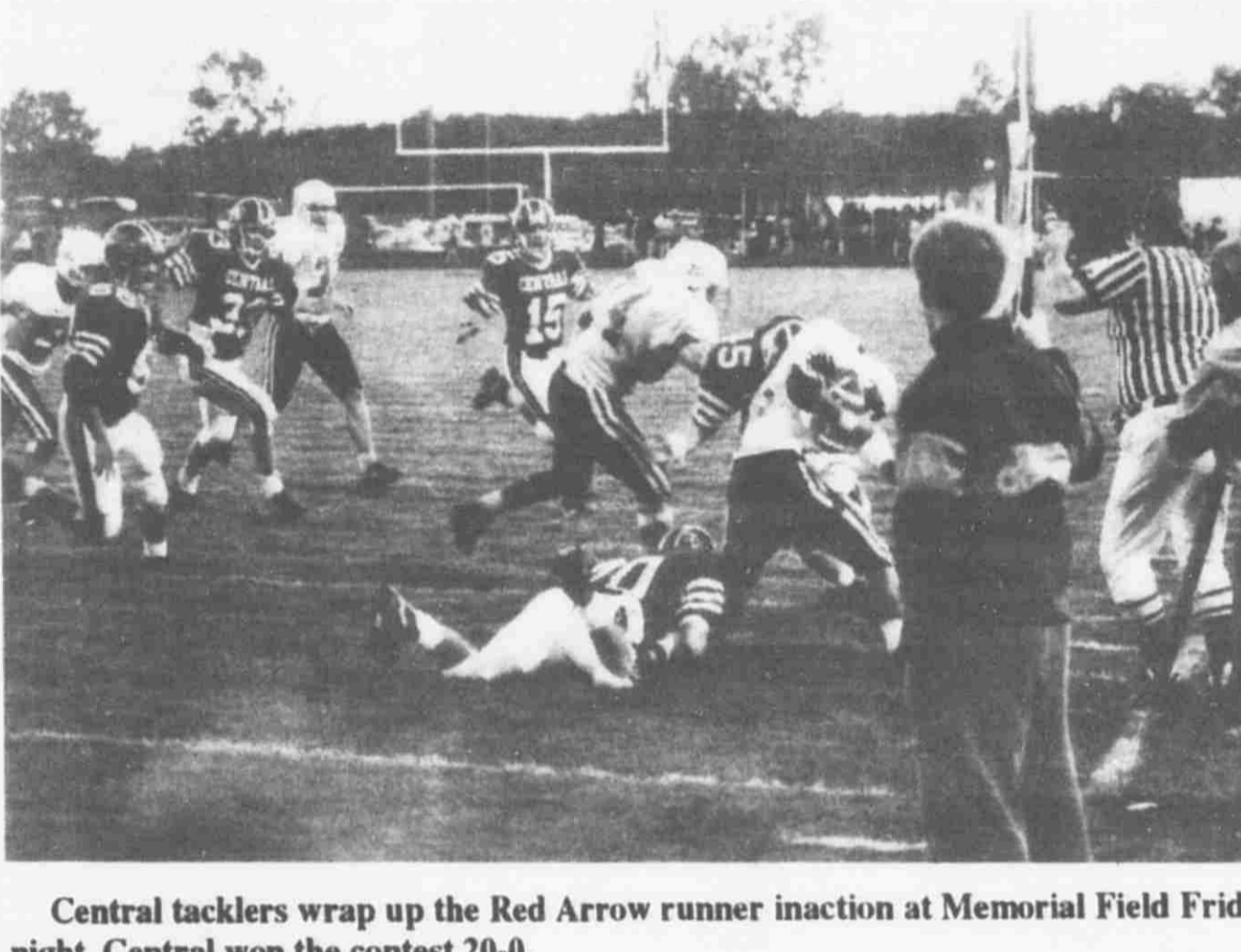
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Central capitalizes on Red Arrow miscues in 20-0 shutout

Two Lowell first half miscues led to 13 Forest Hills Central points and helped carry the heavily favored Rangers to a 20-0 O-K White win over the visiting Red Arrows. Statistically speaking, Lowell and Forest Hills Central were even, except for one area. MISTAKES. Lowell had three fumbles and a bad snap on a punt. Forest Hills Central did not commit a turnover. Lowell fumbled the ball on its first two possessions. On its first possession, it fumbled on its very first play. On its second possession, it fumbled the ball away on its third play from scrimmage, leading to Central's first of three touchdowns.

With the ball on the Lowell 30-yard line, Central took seven running plays to reach paydirt as Ranger quarterback Jay McGee ran it in from six yards out. McGee finished the game as FHC's leading rusher with 55 yards. He was one of four passing for 35 yards. "Give McGee credit. If he isn't back there to scramble, Central doesn't get out of some big holes," Lowell coach Phil Christensen said. "This is a tough one. We ran the ball up and down the field against a Class A school that is rated in the top 10. The difference tonight was two fumbles and a bad snap. The bad snap came early in the second quarter. Chris Meidema was standing back near his 10 to punt the ball away. However, the ball sailed over his head to the three yard line where Lowell's punter fell on it. Central wasted no time as Pete Bucklin ran it in for a touchdown on the first play from scrimmage, giving Central a 13-0 lead. "We capitalized on Lowell's mistakes," FHC football coach Tim McGee understated. "Offensively we were not very consistent tonight. We weren't as tough defensively as we wanted to be. We need some work." McGee knows of what he speaks. His Rangers travel to the highly rated Chix of Zeeland on Friday. "I call it the University of Zeeland," muses McGee. "I'm happy to walk away with a win tonight."

Lowell drove the ball from its own 35 to Central's 13-yard line before having its best drive of the game stalled. The drive was stalled not by the Ranger defense but instead by the Lowell offense. On second and 10 from the 11, the Red Arrows had a bobbled snap from center. It pushed Lowell into a third and 14 from the FHC's 15. Joe Minier's fourth down pass was incomplete. The Red Arrow defense held and the offense got the ball back on the Ranger 39 just before half. Lowell got to the FHC 19 before time ran out. FHC put together its only legitimate drive of the game in the third quarter. It drove the ball 80 yards in nine plays. The Rangers capped the drive on a 35-yard touchdown pass from McGee to Jace Morgan. On that drive Forest Hills Central had gains of seven, eight, 10, 15, 14 and 35. "Our offensive line did a nice job on that drive in the third quarter to start the second half," McGee said. The closest Lowell got to the Central endzone in the second half was the Ranger 17-yard line. "We moved the ball well. But we have to cut down on our mistakes. We had four turnovers and a bad snap tonight," Christensen said. FHC rushed the ball for 192 yards on 38 carries. The Rangers passed for 35 yards (227 total yards) and garnered 11 first downs. Lowell ran for 212 yards and passed for seven (219 total yards). The Red Arrows also picked-up 11 first downs. Lowell is now 0-2 overall and 0-1 in the O-K White, and will host Northview in its home opener on Friday.



Central tacklers wrap up the Red Arrow runner inaction at Memorial Field Friday night. Central won the contest 20-0.

Red Arrow freshmen defeated by Rangers

Rumblin, stumblin, fumbli..... He could go all the way. A tackle at the Central 20 stopped Aron Kennedy and a penalty took the punt return all the way back. Lowell's freshmen lost the contest 20-8.

Lowell's junior varsity edges past Ionia 34-33

The Junior Varsity Girls Basketball team improved its season record to three wins and no losses with two big wins this past week. On Thursday, Lowell defeated a good Ionia squad by a score of 34 to 33. Alison Kissinger was leading scorer with 12 points while Elena Richmond puled down a game high 18 rebounds. The game was decided at the free-throw line where Lowell outscored Ionia 13 to seven. On Saturday, the JVs defeated Forest Hills Northern 44 to 32. A solid full court press and good team defense allowed the JVs to build up a commanding 30 to 10 half-time lead. Elena Richmond with 14 points, Tammy Stauffer with 13 points, and Alison Kissinger with 12 points, were leading scorers, while Cindy Kosnik and Elena Richmond were high rebounders.

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Lowell girls fall to 0-3 with losses to Ionia & Forest Hills Northern

Ken Akers' young girls basketball team learned two things Thursday night in its game against a talented Bulldogs' squad from Ionia. It is hard to be competitive in any game when you shoot 20 percent from the floor and 10 percent from the line, especially against a team as talented and good as Ionia. Lowell was handled rather easily in its second game of the season, falling to Ionia 60-30. Ionia shot right around 50 percent," Akers said. "That is the difference. We shot 20 percent and Ionia didn't." Another major factor was ball handling skills of Sonya Pinnow. "When she was out of her hands, the press was effective. But when she had the ball it was effective," Akers said. "Our press isn't as effective as it is in other games. We still need to

make some adjustments on it. That will come in time." Lowell's coach was most pleased with the play of sophomore Melissa Beute. She scored 10 points and grabbed nine rebounds. "The points are nice, but not as important as the rebounds," Akers said. "I thought Melissa played very well in the second half." While it wasn't a great game, Lowell's coach was also happy with junior guard Amy Stauffer. "She didn't shoot extremely well, but she played well. Amy is not only playing better this year, but is also practicing better." Pinnow led all scorers with 18 points. Kelly Bronsema tallied 12. Lowell was led by Stauffer with 15 points. Stauffer also had seven rebounds. "I think we missed 10 layups in the first half, that's

20 points," explains Akers. Lowell's coach believes opening the season against two very strong teams in Lakeview and Ionia will pay dividends when his club plays teams of equal caliber. Lowell travels to Forest Hills Central on Thursday. FHN 56, Lowell 42 Lowell girls' basketball coach Ken Akers believes he has convinced his young squad that it can play the game of basketball. "My next goal is to convince them that they can win. Once they believe that, watch out." The Red Arrows suffered their third straight non-conference defeat at the hands of the Huskies of Forest Hills Northern. Unlike the opening two games, Lowell was well



JV goes to 2-0 with win against Forest Hills Northern.

Lowell's junior varsity rolled to a 32-14 win over the visiting Rangers from Forest Hills Central.

within striking distance (down five) with two minutes to play. "We had to take some chances late," Akers said. "Northern burned us on our press. We played a good game and had a chance to win it." Forest Hills Northern rode on the back of center Janet Stawski, who tallied a game-high 25 points. When Stawski wasn't scoring on the inside, guard Allyssa Dgkgraff was filling it up from the outside. She scored 21 points. The two players combined for 46 of Northern's 56 points. "Beute (Melissa) played well defensively against Stawski. Had Melissa not been in there, Stawski may have scored 50," Akers explains. "Stawski and Dgkgraff are

A 15-5 FHN fourth quarter scoring advantage safely secured a win for the Huskies. Lowell travels to Forest Hills Central on Thursday to open its league play. "The turning point in the game was when Stauffer picked up her fourth foul with two minutes to play in the third quarter," Akers said. Lowell trailed 21-8 after the first period. The Red Arrows fought back outscoring the Huskies 18-10 in the second quarter, trailing 31-26 at halftime. Lowell cut that lead to four after three quarters, outscoring Northern 11-10 in the stanza. Amy Stauffer led all Lowell players with 15 points. Jodi Bishop added nine and Kortney Gowen and Courtney Arnett each netted six points apiece.

two good players." After hearing that legally it cannot wholly exclude mineral extraction from its municipality, Lowell's City Council adopted an ordinance providing extensive regulations for mining operations. At its Aug. 17 meeting the Lowell City Council stated that it wanted to bring to a close all mineral extraction within the municipality. Its intention became clear after O.E. Bieri and Sons stated that it wished to establish a gravel pit on Grand River Drive next to its existing operation. In researching if it could exclude gravel mining, the City, heard in a letter from attorney Jeff Slugger, stating it could not. The impact on local roads and the issues such as noise abatement and safety are addressed in the special use process.

City adopts ordinance on mineral extraction

Lesky leads Red Arrows with first place finish; but Lowell falls 21-39

As Lowell cross country coach Tom Harper was jogging from where the girls' race ended to where the boys' race was to begin, he glanced back over his shoulder, and stated, "Today we're running for times and fun, we will race later." Other than seniors Sara Lesky and Jenny Kerman, Harper's girls' cross country team may need time before it can race competitively against some of the league's elite. Lowell was defeated by the

Rangers 21-39 Wednesday. If there was any doubt as to who would be the leader of the 1992 squad, Wednesday's race against Forest Hills Central should have ended the discussion. Lesky, a bubbly leader off the terrain, led most of the way as her closest competitor finished some 23 seconds in back of Lesky. "Sara is our leader and she ran like it today. She had a good first race at Johnson Park." Following Lesky was a

foursome of Rangers, Megan Grimaldi, 23:08; Robyn Whetler, 23:16; Amy Shimota, 23:30; and Kelley Ratza, 23:38. Kerman placed sixth at 23:42. The Lowell senior led the whole pack at the start of the race. "Jenny, I think, went out too fast and got tired. However, her time was good," Harper said. FHC's fifth runner, Katie Stanger came home in seventh in a time of 24:58. Lowell's third runner,

Tricia Raab, was ninth overall in 26 minutes flat. Red Arrow freshmen Michelle Billingsley and Melissa Deeb were 11th and 12th respectively. Billingsley stopped the clock at 26:28 and Deeb came in at 26:49. "Tricia's time of 26 minutes was alright for her first race," Harper said. Lowell ran the race without the services of Stephanie Ward and Laura Boyink. Ward is also an experienced returner from last year.

Forest Hills Central Rangers too deep for Lowell; Mull stops clock at 17:57

Lowell boys' cross country team placed three runners in the top five. However, the Red Arrows placed just one runner in the second five (six through 10) and that proved to be the difference in its 26-32 loss to Forest Hills Central at Johnson Park on Wednesday. Central, while just placing two runners in the top five, filled spots six through nine. That's the difference between having a roster with 30 runners and having a roster with 12 members. "It would be nice to have 30 runners," Harper said. "We're going to be alright. The boys will be decent this year. We still need some conditioning."

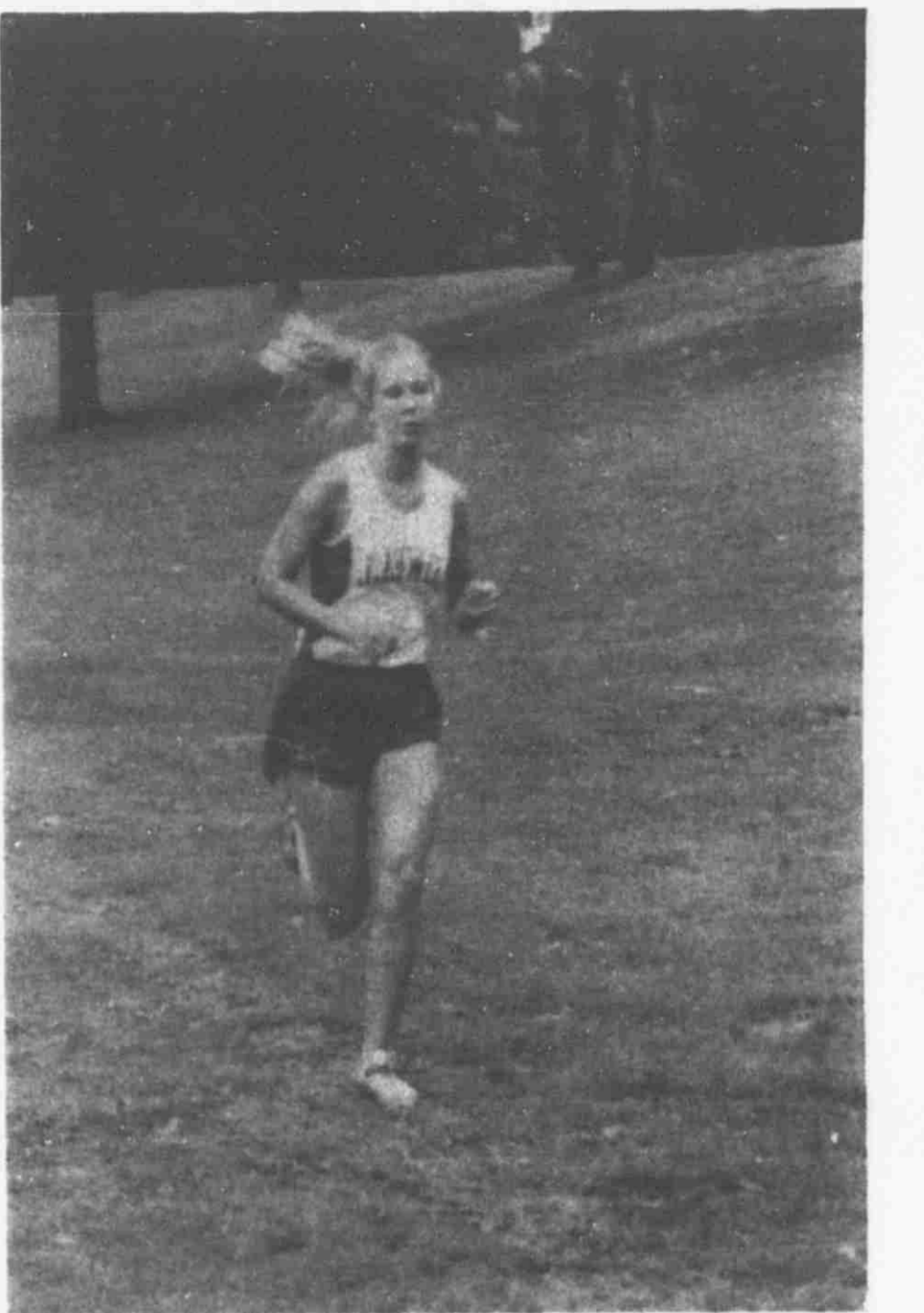


Lowell's Paul Pelon brings it home in a race against Forest Hills Central on Wednesday. Behind Pelon is Red Arrow Rich Langridge.

Saldivar placed fourth and fifth respectively in 19:05 and 19:13. The key to the race though, was places six through nine. They were dominated by the jerseys in green. Tommy Origer was sixth, 19:32; Ryan Winkus, seventh, 19:51; Nick Kasberger, X-C, cont'd. pg. 22



Mike Mull out-races Central's Chris Havenga to claim the top spot in Wednesday's race at Johnson Park.



Lowell's Sara Lesky was in top form in the girls' race as she also finished first.

Lyon attends Taylor

Mark Lyon, of Lowell, arrived on the Taylor University campus in late August for freshman orientation and the Sept. 1 launch of 1992-93 school year classes. Mark is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lyon and is a graduate of Lowell High School. He enters Taylor with a major in mathematics. Taylor University is a Christian Liberal Arts institution based in Upland, IN.

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FAMILY FARE
Athletes of the Week



Mike Mull
Nothing a coach likes better from a senior than leadership by example. Mull went out Wednesday on a wet and muddy track and stopped the clock at 17:57 earning a first in the club's first league meet.

Amy Stauffer
The Lowell junior guard has averaged 17 points a game in the Red Arrows' first three contests. Stauffer tallied 15 against Forest Hills Northern, 21 against Ionia and 13 against Lakewood. "Amy has been playing well and practicing well," Lowell coach Ken Akers said.

Scott McNaughton
Defensively this Red Arrow has been at the top of his game in recent weeks. Lowell coach Dave Wydock credits the low scores against Lowell to the aggressive, determined play of McNaughton. "Scott does his job and doesn't give up. He has been super defensively for us," Wydock said.

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Red Arrow soccer team opens league play with a 3-1 victory over Zeeland

The Red Arrow soccer team opened its 1992 O-K White league schedule with a triumphant 3-1 win over Zeeland.

Eric Arnett scored the winning goal 15 minutes into the second period off a corner kick from John Roudabush. The ball bounced once before Arnett booted it home. The goal broke a 1-1 tie.

"The boys played well," Lowell coach Dave Wydock said. "We were much more aggressive."
Lowell tallied its third goal when Scott McNaughton fed Roudabush on a nice chip, which allowed Roudabush to score on a breakaway.

Lowell had 30 shots on goal to Zeeland's 14. Red Arrow goalkeeper Scott Scoles recorded 10 saves.

"We controlled the game," Wydock said.
Lowell's first goal was scored by Mark VanOostveen. The Red Arrow exchange student brought the ball in from the halfback position and

pushed it in from the corner on an assist from Jim Young.

Hastings 2, Lowell 0
Lowell suffered its second setback of the season in a non-conference battle with Hastings.

For Lowell it was a game filled with missed opportunities. "We had plenty of chances," Wydock said. "We hit the post a couple of times."

The Red Arrow coach said his club hustled, worked hard and passed better but the Saxon defense beat Lowell's

Lowell outshot Hastings 16 to 11. Scoles recorded 13 saves.

Wydock said his club still needs work on its wing crosses. "But, we're progressively getting better," he said.

The Red Arrows ended the week at 4-2-1.

X-Country, continued

eighth, 20:00; and Michael Freed, ninth, 20:06 (his score did not count in the scoring). Lowell's Rich Langridge was 10th at 20:09 and Matt Inman placed 12th at 20:21.

"This first race at Johnson Park gives us times to work from," Harper said. "Today, the course was wet and muddy and the times were okay."

Lowell runs against Northview on Wednesday (Sept. 16). Northview beat Rogers 24-31 in its first O-K White meet of the season.

TOWN TALK

With the recent natural disasters suffered in the United States, are you surprised or angered that a foreign country hasn't offered aid? And/or should they be expected to?



Bob Self
I'm not angry or surprised. I believe in a policy that each country does what it can according to its own ability. Few people realize just how incredibly wealthy U.S. citizens are compared to the rest of the world.

Keith Houghtaling
I'm not surprised or angered. It seems that the role of the U.S. is to provide help. That's been our role since WWI.

Rev. Todd Thompson
It does anger me somewhat. America helps so many others with disasters or hungry, it seems other countries (democracies) could help as well.

Doug Krause
I didn't expect them. We seem to be the helpers for others. When America suffers a disaster we are expected to pull up our own boot straps and get on with it. It doesn't anger me, I'm use to it.



Lynda McMahon
I'm not the least bit surprised or angered. Do other countries help ever. Not only that, I'd like to think that the U.S. can take care of its own. I guess that is my ego speaking.



Tina Grochowalski
They should be expected to. People are supposed to help each other out when others are down and out.



Dawn Jones
I'm angered, not surprised. The U.S. is always the one to foot the bill, for us and other countries.



Mary Dewey
I'm not surprised or angered. I've never heard foreign countries offer before. I'd like to think they would. It seems like the right thing to do. It would be a nice gesture.

Resolution passed for T-hangar loan

A resolution formally authorizing the borrowing of \$40,500 from the Michigan Aeronautics Commission for the construction of a T-hangar at the Lowell Airport was approved by the Lowell City Council, at its Sept. 8 meeting.

The resolution also authorizes the Mayor and the city clerk to execute the loan agreement. The loan (\$40,500) is for 10 years at six percent interest. It will be paid back through hangar rentals.

Following the City's approval, the next step is the approval of the loan by the Michigan Aeronautics Commission. It will consider the loan at its Sept. 23 meeting. Subject to the approval of the loan, the Lowell City Council awarded the hangar

bid to Tailored Building Systems out of Nunica. Its bid came in at \$44,868. The hangar would be built next to the newest hangar, which was also constructed by Tailored Building Systems. It was started in 1989 and completed in 1990.

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Parents also face transition after child goes off to college

As Dean of Students in the College of the University of Chicago, Katie Nash knows what colleges ask of parents who send students to her school. And, as the mother of two college graduates, Nash also knows the joy and pain of seeing children leave

for college. From her perspective, what can Nash tell parents facing their first fall with sons or daughters away at school?

"Most importantly, parents should recognize they are going through an educational process just as their children are," Nash stresses. "There is a lot for everyone to adjust to, and it can be difficult."

Parents will feel mixed emotions, Nash explains. "On the one hand, they feel proud and excited. Their child is on the right track," she says. "But as the time to leave for school gets closer, parents may feel some anxiety. And once the child is actually gone, the routine is altered, the house becomes more quiet, and parents may find themselves going through what very much resembles a grieving period."

Nash says the stress level depends on how well both

parents and students have articulated their expectations and established lines of communication. "Before the student leaves home, the family should discuss expectations," Nash advises. "If college is close to home, how often will he or she come home? If college is far away, when will the first visit be? Will they try to call each other once a week, or is once a month enough?"

"Once the child is at school, communication will become key," Nash says. "Parents should try to be involved without being intrusive. Get a general feel for your child's schedule. Without pressuring, find out how well he or she is adjusting to the new academic environment."

"Parents have to accept the fact that their child is in a new environment, with new rules," Nash continues. "They have to be patient and sup-

portive." To keep in touch without crowding, Nash suggests parents consider joining the college's local parents' organization, attending special events at the school, and getting to know their child's adviser. These contacts help parents establish a network that can help them better understand what their child is experiencing.

And when the child comes home at Christmas with a new hairstyle, new ideas and burgeoning independence, parents must practice tolerance, Nash warns. "The principles of the home shouldn't change," Nash says, "but parents must adapt themselves to their child's growth. They must remember that their son or daughter is regularly being asked to grapple with new concepts, to write and think in increasingly sophisticated ways. The student is exposed to a multitude of new people

and ideas, and some of that is going to influence him. Parents should listen and discuss, and they should try very hard to be nonjudgmental. Just because your child feels passionately about something today doesn't mean he will feel the same way the next time you see each other. Over a four-year college program, students go through many phases."

The same holds true for those late-night telephone conversations when your child calls crying. "Students call home when they are upset, but not so often when they are happy," Nash laughs. "Take those calls with a grain of salt. Misery isn't fatal, and in the case of the average college student, it isn't even long-term. Parents should listen patiently and call back in a few days to see whether the problem has been resolved."

Parents of teenagers must also practice flexibility, Nash says. "Your child may head off to college fully intending to be a rocket scientist, but he may decide to become a writer once he reads poetry. Let him discover his strengths and let him pursue them. Give him time to explore and try to support his personal choices."

"And remember," Nash continues, "your child is not living in a vacuum just because he's not living with you. A college isn't mom and dad, but it does keep an eye out. Students' decisions are rarely made without some collaboration, whether it's with an authority or friend in the dorm, an academic adviser or a teacher. Choices aren't made in isolation."

But, Nash says, colleges are not allowed to talk to parents about a student without

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City of Lowell Ordinance 92-2

Councilmember Thompson supported by Councilmember Hodges moved the adoption of the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE 92-2

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 16.01 AND SECTION 16.04 OF APPENDIX A TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF LOWELL, MICHIGAN, THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LOWELL.

THE CITY OF LOWELL ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. That Section 16.01, Article XVI of Appendix A to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Lowell, is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

Section 16.01 Purpose

This Section provides a set of procedures and standards for special uses of land or structures which, because of their unique characteristics, require special consideration in relation to the welfare of adjacent properties and the community as a whole.

These regulations and standards are designed to allow practical latitude for the investor or developer while, at the same time, maintaining adequate provision for the protection of the health, safety, convenience and general welfare of the community.

The following special approval categories are, together with cited Special Approval uses within the various districts, allowed under the conditions and standards of Article IV (Site Plan Review) and this Article.

- A. Vehicular sales and service areas.
- B. Two family dwelling in R-1 and R-2 districts.
- C. Storage of recreational equipment.
- D. Offices in R-3 district.
- E. Funeral Home.
- F. Service Stations.
- G. Wall signs in excess of one hundred fifty (150) square feet in Business Districts.
- H. Mobile Homes in R-3 Residential Districts.
- I. Private recreation facilities and uses.
- J. Public facilities parking lots.
- K. Mineral extraction operations.

The following requirements, procedures and standards, together with references in other sections of the Ordinance, must be met before a Special Approval use can be granted.

Section 2. That section 16.04, Article XVI, of Appendix A to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Lowell, is amended to add the following:

L. Mineral Extraction Operations:

1. As used in this Article, mineral extraction operations or 'extraction operations' shall mean the removal, processing or extraction of sand, gravel, soil, rock, minerals and other similar

natural resources.

2. The Planning Commission, upon the recommendation of the City's Department of Public Works, shall establish routes for truck movement to and from the premises to minimize wear on public roads and to prevent hazards, nuisances and damage to properties in the City. The portion of any access road within the area of operations shall be provided with a dustless surface.

3. Setbacks shall be provided and maintained from all property lines and public right-of-ways to assure adequate lateral support for adjacent public and private property. No extraction operation shall be permitted within 150 feet of a property line or public right-of-way. If adjoining property is also used for mineral extraction operations, the Planning Commission may reduce or eliminate the required setback from that property line.

The Planning Commission may allow extraction operations within the minimum setback during the reclamation process, provided that: no extraction is allowed within 50 feet of any property line or public right-of-way (except as provided in Section 16.04(L) (4) hereof), reclamation is promptly effectuated in accordance with a reclamation plan approved by the Planning Commission, and adequate lateral support is maintained at all times.

4. Extraction operations may occur within 50 feet of a public right-of-way if done to lower land adjoining said right-of-way to the grade level of the right-of-way. Such extraction shall at no time be permitted where adequate lateral support for the maintenance of adjoining lands is not maintained.

5. No building or other structure shall be erected on the premises except as otherwise may be permitted in accordance with this Ordinance or except as temporary shelter for machinery and a field office, subject to approval by the Planning Commission. Any primary or accessory structure permitted to be constructed shall not be located closer than 250 feet from any property lines or public right-of-way. The foregoing requirements shall apply to the location or storage of equipment used in the operations, vehicles used in the operations, and to the stockpiling or loading of materials.

6. Extraction operations shall be located at least 100 feet from the banks of any stream or watercourse unless previously approved, in writing, by the Michigan Water Resources Commission, or such other state or local commission, department or agency having jurisdiction of the same.

Extraction operations shall not interfere with the surface or subsurface waters to the detriment or damage of public or private properties.

7. Landscaping shall be provided along all boundaries of the site which otherwise lack natural screening. Such landscaping shall consist of one or more of the

following:

- a. Earth berms constructed to a height of 6 feet above the mean elevations of the center line of any adjacent public road or 6 feet above the general level of the terrain of the site. Berms shall have slopes that are not in excess of one foot vertical to three feet horizontal and shall be planted with grass, trees or shrubs.
- b. Plantings, evergreen trees or shrubby parallel to the boundaries of the property, not less than 4 feet in height at the time of planting and which grow not less than 6 feet in height at maturity. Plantings shall be spaced to provide effective sight barriers when 6 feet in height.
8. Noise and vibrations attendant to the extraction operations shall be minimized through the utilization of machinery and equipment designed to accomplish such purpose and through the proper use of berms and natural planting screens.
9. Air pollution, in the form of dust and dirt, shall be minimized through the use of equipment and methods of operation designed to mitigate the creation of excessive dust or dirt substantially annoying to adjoining property owners. Provision shall be made to treat all interior and access roads to minimize dust and dirt.
10. Extraction operations shall be restricted to the hours of 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., local time, and no operation shall be allowed on Sundays or legal holidays.
11. Reclamation and rehabilitation of all extraction operation areas shall be accomplished progressively as an area is mined. Immediately upon the termination of extraction operations in an area consisting of one acre or more, the restoration of such area must begin. Substantial completion of reclamation and rehabilitation shall be accomplished within one year after the termination of extraction operations in each area. Inactivity for a consecutive 12 month period shall, for this purpose, constitute termination of extraction operations in an area.
12. Reclamation and rehabilitation shall minimally include:
 - a. All excavation shall be either to a water producing depth of not less than 5 feet below the average summer level of water in the excavation, or shall be graded or back-filled with non-noxious, nonflammable and non-combustible solids to ensure:
 - i. that the excavated area shall not collect stagnant water and not permit the same to remain therein; or,
 - ii. that the surface of such area which is not permanently submerged is graded or back-filled as necessary to provide a final grade harmonious with surrounding land area.
 - b. The banks of all excavations shall be sloped to the waterline in a water producing excavation, and to the pit floor in a dry operation, at a slope which shall not be steeper than one foot vertical to three feet horizontal.

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student's knowledge. "In 1974, the federal government passed the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act," she says. "It established that students have a right to privacy and that colleges cannot have private discussions with parents or reveal grades or other information to them unless the child knows. That's the law."

"But, even if it weren't, college administrators would be cautious about turning to parents all the time," Nash says. "We have to balance our support of parents and students. At college, students are treated as mature adults. At that point in their lives, they're getting themselves up in the morning, getting to class or work on time. They are taking responsibility for themselves, and we respect that."

Of course, students don't immediately take control of every aspect of their lives,

and finances seem to be one of those responsibilities they assume later rather than sooner. "The things parents spend money on will shift," Nash says. "They may dole out more money for books and a monthly allowance, but those expenditures will be balanced by the fact that the bills at home often go down. The grocery bill is lower, for example, as are most of the utility bills—except the phone. Parents should be braced for big phone bills."

And on the subject of finances, parents can help their children by keeping up with the college bills. "When a parent is delinquent with a payment, it's the student who suffers," Nash says. "It may be a touchy subject, but it's not fair for a student to be restricted at the library or asked to leave the dorm because his term bill wasn't paid on time."

Probably one of the easiest ways for parents to pre-

pare themselves for sending a child to college is by reading the materials the college sends home "Read everything with your name on it," Nash advises. "A lot of your questions about whom to call and where to turn will be answered in the information you receive at home."

The school's official policies will also be explained in that literature, and Nash encourages parents to become informed. "Some parents think that they can persuade an institution to bend its rules if only they apply enough pressure," she says. "But in reality, parents don't change

school policy. They can, however, help their child work effectively within the system, and that will benefit everyone."

Finally, Nash recommends Coburn and Treeger's "Letting Go: A Parents' Guide to Today's College Experience" as a good outside source

of reference. "When young people go away for the first time it's hard, but it's also liberating. Parents will regain some of the freedoms they lost a long time ago. They will see their children go through some very positive changes. The experience can really be joyful."

Public hearing set for McDonald's sign variance

The Lowell City Council set a public hearing for Sept. 21 in regards to a McDonald's restaurant sign variance.

McDonald's has proposed to install a 24 square foot reader board on its pole sign. The maximum allowable square footage for the pole sign is 91 square feet.

On June 24, 1984, the City granted a variance to approve an additional 10.3 square feet over the maximum for this

sign. Thus, a variance is needed because the current sign has already exceeded its maximum.

McDonald's has requested this to allow more visibility and to have an equal

footing with its competitors who possess reader boards.

Lowell City Manager Dave Pasquale pointed out that presently, a large service area must be turned off if repairs are needed. The installation of three

valves (two 10" and a 6") on Foreman near Beech Street past the high school (Amity Street area) is necessary to provide better control of water in case of breaks and aid in the looping of the system.

Shaler awarded water main valve bid

A bid for the installation of water main valves and a hydrant near Foreman Street and Amity was awarded to Ken Shaler and Sons for the price of \$4,000.

The installation of three

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c. Topsoil of a quality equal to that occurring naturally in the area shall be replaced on excavated areas not covered by water, except where streets, beaches or other planned improvements are to be completed within a one year period. Where used, topsoil shall be applied to a minimum depth of four inches sufficient to support vegetation.

d. Vegetation shall be restored by the appropriate seeding of grasses or the planting of trees and shrubs to establish a permanent vegetative cover on the land surface and to minimize erosion.

e. Upon cessation of extraction operations by abandonment or otherwise, the operator, within a reasonable period of time not to exceed twelve months, shall remove all structures, stored materials, foundations, stockpiles, machinery and equipment provided that structures which have a function under the reclamation plan and which can be lawfully used under the requirements of the zone district in which they will be located under such plan may be retained.

13. At the time of the granting of a Special Approval use, as provided for herein, the applicant shall provide a performance guarantee in the form of a performance bond or letter of credit, in a form acceptable to the City, or cash to the City Clerk to insure the proper rehabilitation and reclamation of excavated areas prior to the commencement of extraction operations. The amount of the performance guarantee shall be not less than the estimated cost of rehabilitating and reclaiming the areas proposed to be excavated in the following twelve month period and such additional amount to cover the cost of rehabilitating and reclaiming those areas previously excavated and not reclaimed and rehabilitated in accordance with this Ordinance and the operator's filed plan. Excavated areas resulting in a water depth of five feet or more shall be deemed to be reclaimed areas to within fifteen feet of any vertical shoreline thereof and to the extent of the shoreline where the same has been sloped to a grade of not more than one vertical to three horizontal, for the purpose of this performance guarantee. Such performance guarantee shall be reviewed annually on or about the anniversary date of the granting of the Special Approval use for adjustment and compliance with the foregoing requirements by the Zoning Enforcement Officer and by the Planning Commission. In no event shall such performance guarantee be less than three thousand dollars (\$3,000) in amount.

14. Mineral extraction operations shall not be permitted until a site plan has been submitted and approved in accordance with Article XV, Sections 15.05 and 15.07. The site plan shall not be approved by the Planning Commission unless it evidences compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance. In addition to the information required to be included pursuant to Article XV, Section 15.05, a site plan submitted under this subsection shall identify:

- a. The number of acres and location of the same proposed for extraction operations during the initial twelve month period following commencement of operations.
- b. The type of extraction or processing equipment proposed to be used and the process involved.
- c. The location of the principal processing plant and the distance of any proposed excavation from the property lines of the site.
- d. The results of soil boring tests conducted around the perimeter of the excavation site if excavation or related activities are to occur within one hundred fifty feet (150) from the property lines of the site. Soil boring tests shall disclose conditions satisfactory for lateral support of adjacent premises as determined by a qualified, licensed engineer. The written consent of the owners of all adjoining premises and of the Planning Commission shall be required if extraction operations are proposed other than as permitted in this subsection.
- e. The final grades and elevations to be established following the completion of extraction operations, including the proposed use of the premises, future lakes and roads and such other matters as may evidence the bona fide nature of the reclamation and rehabilitation plans.
15. The Planning Commission shall be responsible to approve, approve with conditions or deny the application for Special Approval use under this subsection. In addition to those requirements otherwise provided for in this Ordinance, in making its determination the Planning Commission shall consider:
 - a. The most advantageous use of the land, resources and property.
 - b. The character of the area in questions and its peculiar suitability, if any, for particular uses.
 - c. Conservation of property values, as well as natural resources and the general and appropriate trend and character of development in the subject area.
 - d. The protection and preservation of the general health, safety and welfare of the City.
 - e. The scarcity or value of the minerals sought to be extracted as compared with the effect upon the adjacent community of the proposed operations.
 - f. Whether or not the operations were in existence prior to the adoption of the text provision concerning the same and the extent and character of such previous operations.
16. In making its determination, the Planning Commission may impose conditions and safeguards for the protection of the health, safety and general welfare of the neighborhood, adjoining residents and property owners. Among other conditions, the Planning Commission may limit the duration of a Special Approval use and may require a periodic review of the proposed extraction operations to

ascertain compliance with any conditions imposed. It shall be empowered to renew or extend a Special Approval use where all standards and conditions are complied with and may revoke or refuse to renew the same where non-compliance exists. No revocation or failure to renew or extend a Special Approval use shall release the operator from the duty of rehabilitation and reclamation of disturbed areas.

a. A Special Approval use shall not be revoked or renewal denied except on thirty (30) days written notice of any violation forming the basis for the same and unless the violation has not been cured, as confirmed by the City Manager, within such thirty (30) day period. All such Special Approval uses shall be reviewed by the Planning Commission annually.

b. The operator shall be required to pay such annual fee as shall be established by the City Council.

17. Operators shall be required to carry personal injury and property damage insurance while any unreclaimed or unrehabilitated area exists, in an amount of not less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) per occurrence and not less than three hundred (\$300,000) for injury or damage to more than one person or one person's property arising out of one occurrence. A Copy of the policy shall be filed with the City Clerk prior to issuance of a Special Approval use.

SECTION 3. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with any part of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency or conflict.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect ten (10) days after it, or a summary of it, is published in the Lowell Ledger, a newspaper of general circulation in the City. YEAS: Councilmember(s) Green, Hodges, Fonger, Thompson and Mayor Maatman. NAYS: Councilmember(s) none. ABSENT: Councilmember(s) none. ABSTAIN: Councilmember(s) none.

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Bond to bring telecommunication age to Alto Elementary

The age of technology has reached Lowell schools and Alto Elementary will be the first to be infiltrated.

The telecommunications package, which is scheduled to be completed at Alto Elementary by Nov. 14, will

provide students and staff tremendous opportunities for learning.

The budget for the telecommunication system was \$60,000. The total cost is expected to run somewhere between \$6-\$7,000 over. Jim White, Director of Curriculum and Instruction said that despite being over, the costs could be covered by the loose equipment fund and/or the contingency fund from the Alto Elementary project. Money was saved in the con-

tingency fund, which can be used for this equipment.

The bid for the project has been awarded to Industrial Communications Company for \$57,144. This figure does not include the \$9,000 it is expected to cost for the televisions/monitors.

The televisions/monitors will be able to receive educational satellite programs, project classroom video within classrooms or from room to room using video cameras, and in the future, distance learn-

ing will be available, using a video signal from another school.

Each classroom (and office area) will be able to send and receive a voice video and datatext. This visually translates for each room into a 27-inch television, internal wall phone, modem capabilities and VCR/camera broadcast from every room. A 12-foot disk antenna is also part of the package.

The cost figure will also include training of staff and

administration until everybody feels comfortable. "It will be a slow and methodical training procedure for the staff," White explains.

Lowell Superintendent Fritz Esch said Alto Elementary is the pilot school for the district. "It sets the stage for what is coming for the rest of the school district," he explained.

Installation of the system should begin in about 10 days.

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Board extends opportunity for community to express it's opinions

Members of the community now attending Lowell Board of Education meetings will have two opportunities to address the Board.

Board of Education president Ray Quada announced that the Board would be adding a new procedure to its meeting, called audience agenda comments. It will follow the communications item at the beginning of the meeting. This part of the meeting will give school district members an opportunity to write down on a card, questions it may have about items on that night's agenda. Questions at this portion of the meeting will be restricted to the agenda.

After the Board has made its way through the agenda,

time will be taken for recognition of the audience. At this time questions will be taken by the Board on any topic.

The change in procedure is an effort to further open the communication lines between the community and the school board.

In addition to the new procedure, there will be four extra community meetings intended to provide an additional forum for public input.

"This is intended so that the Board can hear from the public. It is not intended to be argumentative. We want to avoid being defensive," Quada said. "If the public perceives that there is a problem communicating with the board then there is a problem."

Board vice president, Chris VanAntwerp said it is necessary for the school to promote these meetings as effectively as possible. "More than just the day of the meeting," VanAntwerp said. He added the message needs to be taken to the PTOs and booster clubs.

Board trustee Steve Idema

also suggested that the meetings not all be held at the Lowell Middle School. "I believe we need to hold one meeting in each of the three precincts."

Board member Marsha Wilcox also requested that the school provide babysitting for parents who might not otherwise be able to attend.

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