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Engler's "Build Michigan" program provides City of Lowell with an extra \$16,407

Thanks to Governor John Engler's "Build Michigan" program, Michigan's infrastructure will be strengthened and job support for thousands will be realized.

On a local basis, the program means that the City of Lowell will receive an estimated \$16,407.04 for road improvements in the fiscal year 1992-93. The first payment on these additional funds is expected this week.

A cornerstone of Build Michigan has been the creation of the Local Program Fund. The local Program Fund will funnel an additional \$65 million for vital roadway improvements to cities and counties in the current fiscal year. This will increase to \$78 million in fiscal year 1993-94 and fiscal year 1994-95. From these amounts, \$45 million is a direct grant from the State Trunkline Fund, made possible because of savings and efficiencies achieved by the Michigan Department of Transportation.

The balance of these funds will come from a shift in the collection point of motor vehicle fuel taxes to the supplier level.

Lowell will receive approximately \$44,680 in local street funds in 1992-93. It will receive approximately \$96,460 in major street funds. The Build Michigan program will add an additional \$16,407.04 to that, thus the total number of dollars allocated through the transportation fund for Lowell roadway improvement in 1992-93 will be \$157,547. The City of Lowell anticipated an increase of nearly \$6,000 instead the increase will be roughly \$22,000.

Of the \$16,407, 68 percent of those funds will go toward the major street fund, with 32 percent used for the local street fund.

Public hearing set for Chadalee Farms facilities exemption

A Public hearing was set for Dec. 21 to discuss Chadalee Farms application for an industrial facilities exemption certificate.

At its Dec. 16, 1991 meeting, the Council re-established an Industrial Development District for Chadalee Farms which included the .56 acre parcel acquired from the City.

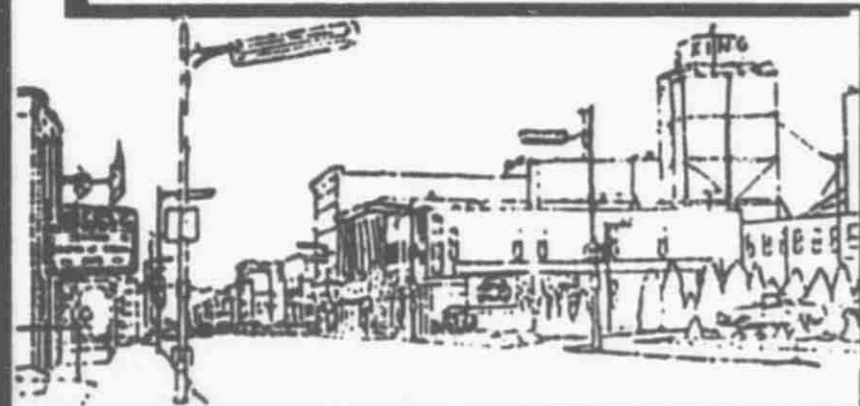
The total acreage amount was 9.93 acres.

The district status enables the company to apply for tax abatement on the two exemptions and equipment.

In reviewing the application, Chadalee Farms would qualify for 12 years abatement under the point system adopted

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Along Main Street



LOWELL PARADE TO BE AIRED ON CHANNEL 9

The Lowell Santa Claus Parade will be shown on LCTV Channel 9 on Wednesday, Dec. 9 at 3 p.m.; Thursday, Dec. 10 at 6 p.m.; Friday, Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 12 at 10 a.m.

LOWELL SHOWBOAT GARDEN CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

Children escape burning home

The Lowell community rallies to provide support

Lowell fire officials were still not sure of the cause of Friday night's house fire at 11439 E. Fulton on Monday morning.

"It started in the living room. If I was to guess, I'd say it was probably electrical," said Lowell Fire Chief, Frank Martin.

The two-story home was owned by Arlin Maas, owner of Cumberland Manor. The family of Leonard and Laurie Dockters resided at the residence.

Maas said he believed the house was completely destroyed by the fire. Maas had the house insured for \$56,500.

The call went out for the fire at 9:02 p.m. Martin said the house was fully engaged by the time firefighters arrived on the scene.

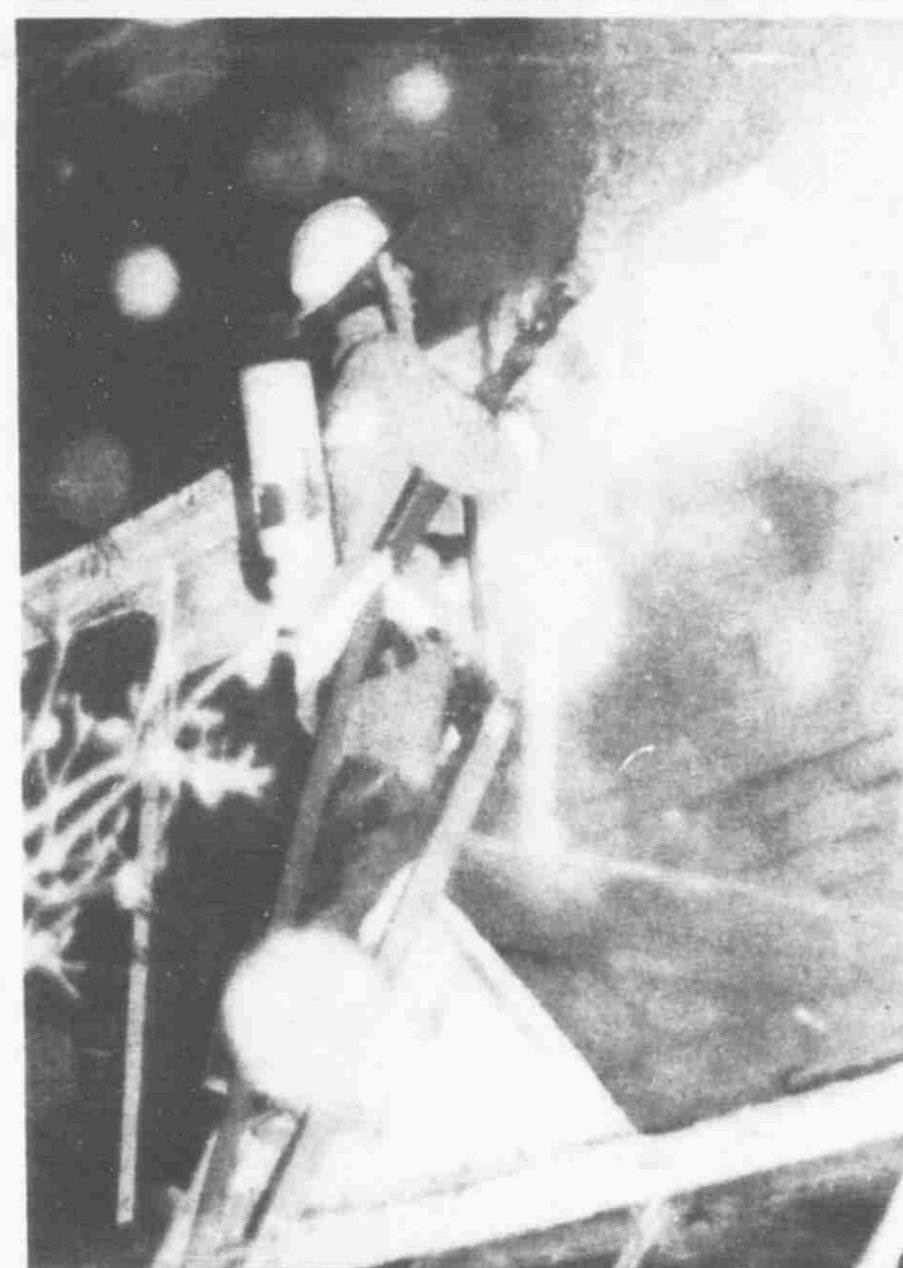
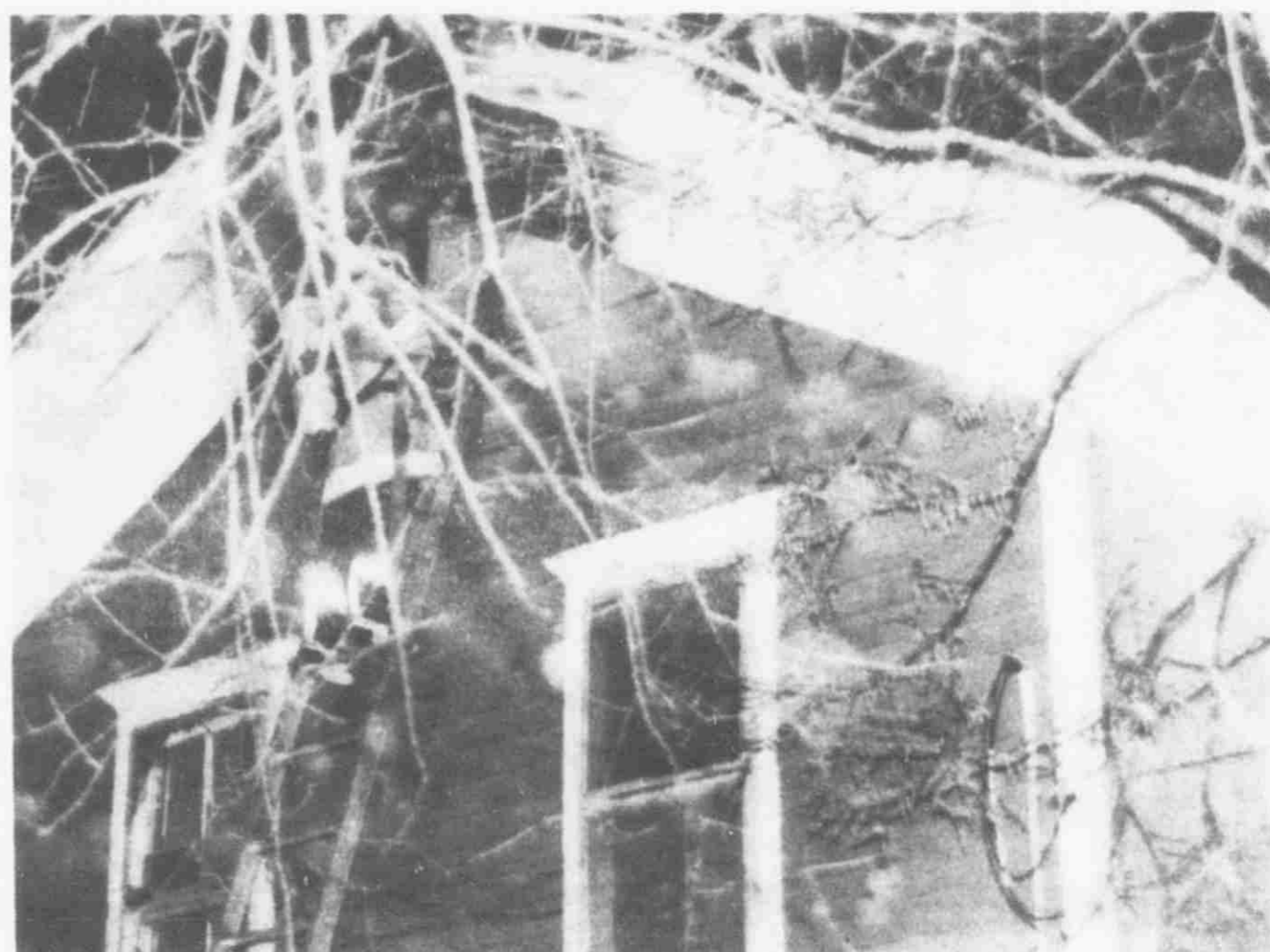
The parents, Leonard and Laurie Dockter had left earlier in the evening for a corporate (Rite-Way Plumbing and Heating) Christmas party.

The children were in the kitchen when they noticed the fire. The kitchen door leading into the living room was closed which hindered spotting the fire earlier than what they did, according to Martin. All the children safely exited the house without injury.

Donations for the family started coming in that night. The Red Cross put up the Dockters at the Red Roof Inn for two nights and Mr. Fables donated meals for the family.

On Monday the Ada Christian Reform Church donated \$300 to the family. Hardee's owner Bill Kerr donated three family pack

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Firefighters fought the house blaze at 11439 E. Fulton for six-plus hours Friday night. Lowell, Ada and Alto were called to the scene of the fire at 9:02 p.m.

The Lowell Showboat Garden Club Christmas party will be on Monday, Dec. 14 at the McGee Homestead at 7 p.m.

OPEN HOUSE FOR GEORGE DEY

Lowell Area Schools will have an Open House in recognition of George Dey who is retiring after 28 years. The public is welcome to come to this special event on Monday, Dec. 14 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the Lowell Middle School Media Center located at 12675 Foreman Road.

A short presentation of awards will be given at the beginning of the Board of Education meeting which begins at 7:30 p.m.

VOLUNTEER BASKETBALL COACHES NEEDED

The Lowell YMCA youth basketball program is in need of volunteer coaches.

Teams in need will be practicing one night per week and play games on Saturdays. Practices to start as soon as possible. For further information call 897-8445.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTESTS

Entries for the Christmas lighting contests for residents and businesses will be judged Dec. 10 starting at 6 p.m.

CHRISTMAS TREE AND WREATH SALE

The Lowell Area Schools Athletic Boosters Club will be selling Christmas trees and wreaths in the Family Fare Supermarket parking lot. The sale will be held through Dec. 24. Hours will be Monday through Friday, 4 to 8 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday 12 to 8 p.m.

Please help support our athletes by purchasing your trees and wreaths from the Athletic Boosters sale. Anyone wishing to volunteer to help us sell please call Pat at 897-8963.

LAAC HOSTS CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP

The Lowell Area Arts Council will host a Christmas workshop for children on Saturday, Dec. 12 and again on Main St., cont'd., pg. 27

OBITUARIES

FIKE - Alton E. Fike, aged 80, of Ada, died Saturday, December 5, 1992. He was preceded in death by his wife, Geraldine in 1983. He is survived by his children, Nancy (Clifford) Doublestein of Wyoming, Janice Cordier, David (Richanda) bolt all of Grand Rapids; 13 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; many cousins. Mr. Fike was a member of the Qua-Ke-Zik Sports Club. Funeral Services were Tuesday at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Lowell, Rev. William Doublestein of Byron Center Methodist Church officiating.

JOHNSON - James "Bob" Johnson, of Alto, passed away Monday, November 30, 1992. He is survived by his children, Paul (Jean) Johnson of Wyoming, Richard (Sally) Johnson of Alto, Sherry (Stephen) Karrar of Lake Odessa; brother, Henry A. Johnson Jr. of Alto; sisters, Alice Coles of Greenville, Helen Bryant of Grand Rapids; eight grandchildren, two great-grandchildren. Funeral Services were held Thursday at Roth-Gerst Chapel, Rev. Gary Austin officiating. Memorials may be made to the Michigan Cancer Fund.

Secure cottage before heading home to avoid burglaries

While opening the family cottage is often the most anxiously awaited time of year, closing up properly after the season is the most essential precaution against burglary, according to AAA Michigan.

"Because cabins and cottages are generally in secluded areas along lakes or in the woods, they are often prime targets for burglars," said AAA Michigan Community Safety Services Manager Jerry Basch.

Last year, nearly 110,000 home burglaries were reported in Michigan, Basch added, resulting in \$99.7 million worth of stolen goods. Burglaries last year were up a total of 5,000 from 1990.

AAA Michigan and the Michigan State Police-Alpena Post have developed a brochure titled "Cottage and Cabin Security" available to the public at all AAA Michi-

gan branch offices and Michigan State Police posts. Some of the security tips offered are:

- Install a gate at your driveway.
- Trim trees and shrubs that could conceal intruders around doors and windows.
- Be sure doors are constructed of solid wood or are steel-clad, with reinforced jambs and frames.

- Secure all doors with deadbolt locks and all windows with adequate locks.
- Cover all windows with shutters, blinds or drapes.
- Hide smaller items inside the cottage.
- Keep boats, recreational vehicles and other items locked and disabled, even if they are locked in an outbuilding or garage.
- Leave extra keys with trusted neighbors. Don't hide

spare keys near the home.

- Never leave firearms in your cabin if you are heading home. They are easily sold and difficult to trace.
- Engrave your driver license number on televisions, video cassette recorders and tools. This lets the burglar know that the belongings can easily be traced back to the owner and may be harder to sell.

Roth attains variance

Ed Roth, 1740 Sibley, requested and received a variance on the footage his garage would set from the side yard lot line.

Lowell's City Council approved Roth his variance to build a 21.5' x 24' attached garage to residence.

The garage will be 1.5' from the west side yard lot line. In the R-2 district, a structure on a side yard cannot be less than six feet.

Because of the narrowness of the lot the City Council saw fit to grant the variance.

Lowell Light & Power to trim area trees

For approximately eight weeks, the Lowell Light & Power company has contracted Pootenga Tree Service to trim trees in the southern portion of its service territory.

Tree trimmers will be working primarily in the area south of the Grand River although, some selected trimming may occur in other locations.

This work is a continuation of a trimming program started several years ago designed to reduce power outages caused by tree limbs contacting overhead conductors during snow, ice, and wind storms.

Individual property owners will be contacted to obtain their permission to remove and/or trim trees deemed to be a hazard to the electric system.

Chadalee, continued

by the Council. The cost of building improvements plus machinery and equipment would be \$2.5 million (\$1.8 million in equipment and \$700,000 in construction). There are an expected 10 new jobs to be created with 60 current jobs to be retained.

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Hideous ties help harvest funds for the needy



For Greg Gilmore, this tie puts the "U" in ugly.

Two guys are in a bar... It sounds like the start to one of any number of jokes. Instead, it was the unlikely genesis to the Un "Bear" ably Ugly Tie contest that is in full swing at the Thornapple Village Restaurant in Ada.

"I think it was about three years ago, two customers (friends) were sitting in our taproom late one evening when one friend told the other he was wearing an incredibly ugly tie. He took the tie and put it on our taproom mascot bear," explains Jennifer Tarbell. "The hideous tie has been there ever since."

From that, Tarbell came up with the idea for a Un "Bear" ably Ugly Tie contest. "It's destined to be an annual event," says Greg Gilmore. The contest started in the middle of November and will last through Dec. 18. It is being carried out as a promotion by Thornapple Village Inn Restaurant to give back something to its community. "The proceeds will be used to provide food baskets that will feed families for the weeks to come and to provide gifts for special needs children who might not otherwise receive a toy," Tarbell said. This will be done through donations to the

Mel Trotter Ministries and the D.A. Blodgett Children's Program.

The tie contest has sent customers and employees rushing to their closets in an effort to dig out their ugliest, oldest and loudest ties to enter into the contest. There is a five dollar fee to enter a tie into the contest. There is also a dollar fee to vote. A person may vote as often as he/she would like. "We are encouraging everyone to come in and vote often, even stuff the ballot box, because every dollar, every vote, goes towards helping someone this Christmas sea-

son," Gilmore said.

The ballots used for voting will have four categories, loud and ugly, old and ugly, ugly holiday ties, and just plain ugly.

"We honestly didn't know whether we would find another tie with as much character as the bear's current tie," restaurant manager Mark Meyers said.

The bear will sport each of the winning ties for one month with the previous owner's name predominantly displayed.

Other ties will be returned

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Dental News

You can use!

James J. Lagan, D.D.S.

TOOTH DECAY VS. GUM DISEASE

Question: I am 35 and was happy when the dentist told me I had no cavities. However, he did tell me I had gum (periodontal) disease and should be more worried about that. Why is this so?

Answer: When a tooth loosens in childhood, we know there is another one below the surface to replace it. Such is not the case in adulthood, a reason why we should have healthy respect for periodontal disease, a process that damages the tissue surrounding a tooth and eventually erodes the bone that forms its socket. It is the major cause of lost teeth after the age of thirty. The cavities of tooth decay can progress pretty far, yet with modern techniques, a working tooth can be saved. However, if supporting tissues are destroyed by periodontal disease, even a good tooth may be lost.

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Homespun Devotions

By Pauline Spray

Thou art my portion, O Lord... (Psalm 119:57).

Diets! What a frustrating suggestion! It's difficult to understand why some people can get by on so little food. Trying to cut down is no problem; they say they never get hungry. This is a claim absolutely foreign to many of us. And anyone like myself who loves food knows how irritating such persons can be.

It takes a great deal of self discipline to sit down at a table loaded with calories, refuse the pies, cakes, gravy and dressing, and nibble on celery sticks and carrot curls instead. Yet, strange as it may seem, countless people are deliberately passing up the rich things the Lord has provided for them spiritually and are living on restricted diets.

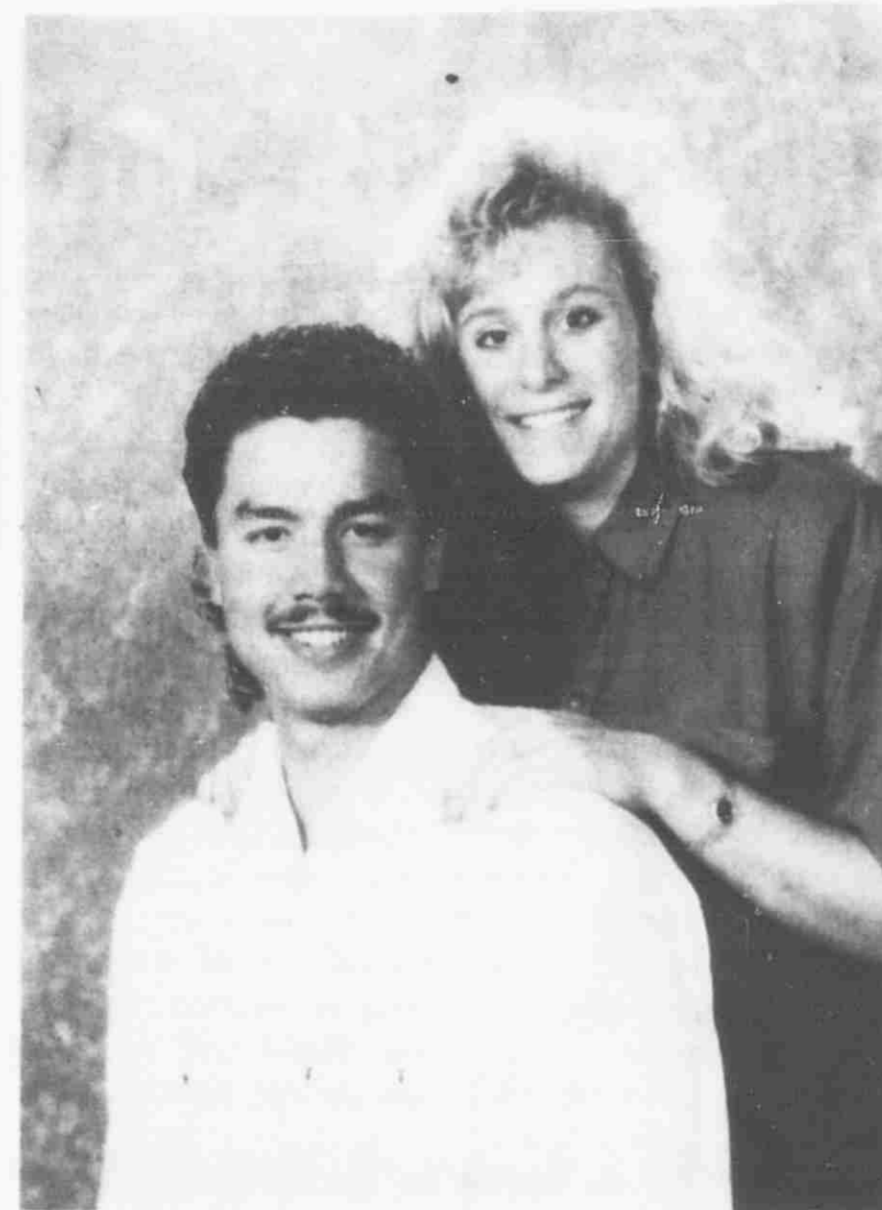
The Lord's table is spread with generous blessings. His Word is filled with many

promises—the gift of eternal life, rest for the weary, strength for the weak, solace in sorrow, protection in danger, release from care, comfort in loneliness, and courage for the difficult tasks. The table is spread. We can take what we will. Or we can refrain. But who likes diets, anyway? "Don't count the calories!"

Prayer: "Thou art my portion, O Lord." Thy Word assures me that Thou wilt supply my every need. Thou givest me generous blessings. I praise Thee for Thy bountiful supply." Amen.

With numberless blessings each moment He crowns, And filled with His fulness divine, I sing in my rapture, oh, glory to God For such a Redeemer as mine!

FANNY J. CROSBY



Mary Martin and Dave Buckius.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mary Martin, of Alto, and Dave Buckius, of Wyoming, are announcing their engagement.

Martin's parents are James Martin and the late Nancy Martin.

The parents of the groom-to-be are Robert and Judy

Buckius of Omer. The bride-elect is a graduate of Lowell High School.

The groom-elect is a graduate of Arenac High School.

A January 9, 1993 wedding is planned.

Happy Birthday!



Dec. 10: Wendy Greenwood, Marc Johnson, Richard Longway, Evelyn Heim.

Dec. 11: Chris Elzinga, Valerie Johnston, Jennifer Wieland.

Dec. 12: Brad Briggs, Joyce Stormzand, Patrick Rasch, Kim Hoshet, Ival Paulson.

Dec. 13: Doug Wester, Carla Rozman, Sarah Dombak, Christina Thaler, Oranda May, Shanda Marie Miller, Clarice Boerma, Gordon Standard.

Dec. 14: Mark Knottnerus, Chris Kropf, Julie Tarak, Tim Metternick, Denise Southland, Kristin Hutfilz, Craig Fonger.

Dec. 15: Danny Kathan, Karen Latva, David Kryger, Tammy Baird, Richard Ysseldyke, Kristin Ellis, Hellen Kwant, Joe Moorhead.

Dec. 16: JoAnn Frey, Helen Waters, Jim Willyard, Joan Carless, Ernie Blasher, David Blakely, Russ Breckon, Klass Kwant, Jeff Hendrick, Marilyn Nickless, Judith Potter.

LMS Honor Roll omission

There were four Lowell Middle School honor roll students from the sixth-grade class who were inadvertently omitted from last week's edi-

tion of the Ledger. They were: Daniele Childs, Kelly O'Dell, Tanya Oberlin and Casey Parker.

Careys solemnize September vows

Al and Donna Racine, of Lowell, are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Eva Racine to James Carey.

The couple was married September 5, 1992 in Fallsburg Park.

The groom's parents are

Ron and Verla Carey also of Lowell.

Maid of Honor was Nancy Roth with Becky Kyser as bridesmaid.

Best man was Delbert Will with Don Friesner as groomsmen.



Eva Racine and James Carey

AREA BIRTHS

Joseph and Kimberly Pennock, of Saranac, would like to announce the birth of their son Joseph Steven Pennock, Jr. He weighed 8 lbs. 12 oz. and measured 20 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Ron and Jan Pennock of Lowell, Linda Post of Belding and Victor Inman of Chandler, TX.

Great-grandparents are Everett and Reba Pennock of Belding, Velma Spencer of Belding and Jerry and Dot Frost of Hastings.

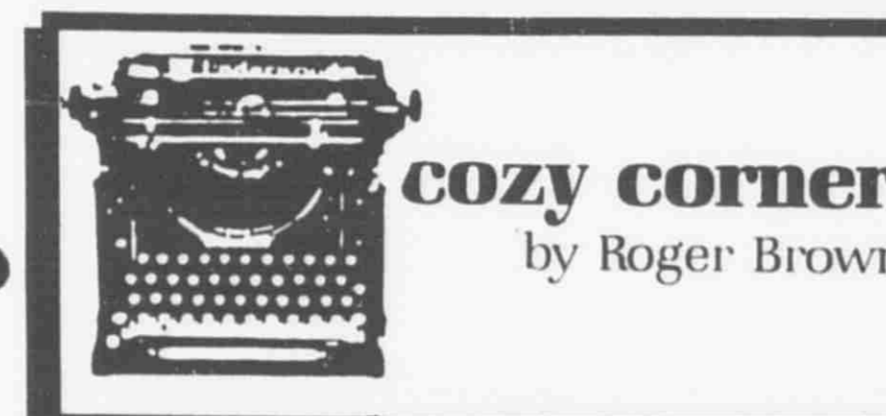
Tammy Chamberlain would like to announce the birth of her daughter, Rebecca Michele, born November 6, 1992 at 2:14 p.m. She weighed 5 lbs. 15 oz. and was 19 inches long.

She was welcomed home by Grandpa Wayne and Grandma Carol, Uncle Daryl of Lowell and Aunt Michele, of Grand Rapids and Great-Grandma (Doris). Many other relatives of Illinois and Washington are still waiting to welcome her home.



It may be easier to take the temperature of a child under seven by putting the thermometer under his or her armpit. Add one degree for the oral equivalent.

Viewpoint



Have you ever had poor service at a restaurant? Of course you have. You might even add, "What kinda dumb question is that!?" But, if you really stop to think about it, I'll bet you're hard pressed to come up with the last time you were poorly treated by a waitress. Even with my Ziggy-like life-style consisting of an endless chain of small calamities, I very seldom run into poor service in a restaurant. Poor food, now that's a different story.

One of my favorite authors often extols the virtues of waitresses in his books. He makes waitressing sound like a very noble profession. I have to agree. Waitresses have to care for the whims of the human race when they are often on their very worst behavior. The patrons are hungry, hurried and impatient. In a restaurant serving alcohol or in an establishment open after the bars close, they often have to deal with drunks. Yet, most waitresses serve our food, clean up our messes, cater to our every need and with a smile they'll throw in a joke, a wink, a compliment on your tie or political opinion at no extra charge. In return they receive complaints about the food, unsolicited flirting from balding old men and if they're lucky, a reasonable tip.

I mention all of this simply to clarify the fact that I too think waitressing is a noble profession. I tip generously and make it a point to treat waitresses with the respect I feel they deserve. With that said, I'll now proceed to rip one apart in the remainder of this column.

A few weeks ago, my wife and I went to Michigan State University for parent's weekend with our daughter. Sunday afternoon we did some shopping and ended up in a large sports bar and restaurant where I could watch my Lions loose dismally on a large screen TV. The staff of waitresses was comprised of exceptionally attractive young women. I assumed they were co-eds at the university. As I watched and

On Line

with Lowell School Superintendent
Fritz Esch

HOLIDAY SURVIVAL TACTICS FOR PARENTS

As I visit classrooms and observe teachers working with kids of all ages, I'm amazed at the patience and understanding they display when teaching an active classroom of students who are excited about what they are doing. Continually using patience and understanding as a teaching technique in the classroom is one thing, but using it at home with your own kids is another story. I am amazed at how well my own kids have turned out after all the mistakes I made with them when they were growing up. I've never told them that they taught (and still teach) me more about being a parent than I ever taught them about being an adult. At best, being a parent these days is tough, particularly around the Holiday Season, when every parent needs a "survival kit".

Last week a "parental survival kit" arrived in my mailbox which I thought was worth passing on to you. The "survival kit" appeared on the front page of a publication called the Bottom Line and was an article written by James Windell entitled "Ten Worst Discipline Mistakes Parents Make... And Alternatives".

In a perfect world, parents would have boundless energy, patience, tolerance, understanding and flexibility. But this is not a perfect world, we do make mistakes with our kids and here is a survival kit of alternatives.

MISTAKE #1 - YELLING may be an effective way to vent our frustration but most kids soon learn to "tune it out". The child's behavior seldom changes and kids grow hostile. Kids feel the same way as adults do when someone yells at us. **ALTERNATIVE:** Delay your action until your anger is under control. Kids respond better to a calm, reasonable request of command. Save the yelling for emergency situations when you really need to get the child's attention: "Look out for that car!"

MISTAKE #2 - DEMANDING IMMEDIATE COMPLIANCE - Like adults, kids just don't respond well to demands such as, "Do it right now because I said so!" Commands to "Come here this instant" or "Stop that this instant"

waited for one of them to wait on our table, it soon became apparent that they were far more interested in the jocks at the bar than they were in the Brown family. Just before I suggested we leave for an establishment that might at least recognize our existence, one of the waitresses giggled over to our table, and in her best "valley-girl" impersonation said, "Ooooh, giggle giggle, I didn't see you sitting over here, giggle, giggle. Can I get you anything from the bar, giggle, giggle?" I repressed my urge to giggle our order and simply gave it to her straight.

When she was able to break away from the conversation at the bar with the jocks, she returned with our drinks. My wife's rum and tonic order had been lost in the translation between our waitress and the bartender. It had become what smelled like a scotch and soda. If it had been anything but scotch, which my wife abhors, she probably would have drunk it anyway. I returned the drink to the bar myself, as it was obvious our waitress had no intention of prying herself away from the jocks to see if our drinks were satisfactory. I didn't throw in any giggles with my re-order, and the bartender got it right.

Our waitress finally came back to check on us, and asked if we'd like another round, giggle giggle. I said, "No, we'd like to order something to eat." She replied, "Ooooh, giggle, giggle, I'm just the cocktail waitress. I'll send a waitress over, giggle, giggle." I breathed a sigh of relief, optimistically thinking things were going to improve. It's amazing that I keep my positive attitude. Things seldom get better once I find myself in a bad situation. This was to be no exception.

As promised, another waitress eventually showed up at our table. She was even more giggly than the first and hadn't left the company of the jocks at the bar since we had been in the place, which was beginning to seem like a long, long time. She said, "Ooooh, giggle, giggle, would you like to see menus, giggle, giggle, giggle?" I repressed my urge to say, "No, I'd like to see you grow a brain!" I very politely said, "Yes, we would like to see menus," and added in a muffled voice as she giggled away, "You brainless twit!" My wife kicked me under the table but, my daughter thought it was funny.

The lunch was a bigger fiasco than the Lions game, and that's saying something this season. We were hungry, so we ordered some house specialty with onion rings as an appetizer. They came after our sandwiches arrived. I asked for salt and

are often ignored and tuned out. **ALTERNATIVE:** Make a respectful or firm request and praise and reward good behavior. For example, "You picked up your toys and put them away so nicely that I'm going to read you an extra story tonight before bedtime."

MISTAKE #3 - NAGGING is often a problem for parents who are lenient or permissive. They don't want to get angry but are constantly asking, "Did you clean your room yet?" - until they explode. **ALTERNATIVE:** Praise and reward first time responses. It's also helpful to use warning statements: Lunch is in 20 minutes.

MISTAKE #4 - LECTURING is fruitless. Kids have limited attention span for monologues that involve no interaction. Lecturing a kid whose homework is chronically late about the value of a good education does not address the homework issue. **ALTERNATIVE:** Learn to use informal opportunities to teach lessons. Since a child who has brought home a poor report card is anxious about parental response, reduce the anxiety. Say, "I can see you're upset about your grades. Let's both make a list of some ways to help your grades."

MISTAKE #5 - ANGER Adult overreaction and inappropriate anger are, unfortunately, extremely common in our high stress society. Kids often get hurt and confused. **ALTERNATIVE:** If you do "blow up," offer your kids a heartfelt apology, along with an explanation. The result will be that kids learn to talk about feelings and understand human fallibility.

MISTAKE #6 - BELITTILING OR SHAMING remarks from parents cause their kids to feel smaller, inadequate, less intelligent, or more insecure. **ALTERNATIVE:** Monitor your language and emphasize more positive speech, versus negative speech.

MISTAKE #7 - SETTING TRAPS for kids to prove a point is punitive and authoritarian. The trap setter says, "Do you and your friends smoke?" The child becomes defensive, has to say "no" to avoid punishment, learns to lie, conceal things and mistrust adults. **ALTERNATIVE:** Provide your child with the dignity of a straightforward, trusting inquiry. "I'm concerned that you are smoking with your friends. Can we talk about it?"

MISTAKE #8 - IMPOSING EXCESSIVE GUILT Parents who were raised in dysfunctional families often make the mistake of implying their children are responsible for the circumstances of the parent's life... i.e. "If you loved me, you'd do this." The child learns to feel guilty and responsible for the adult problems in the home. **ALTERNATIVE:** Adults need to examine their own codependent relationships with each other and emphasize other techniques of getting children to do the right things.

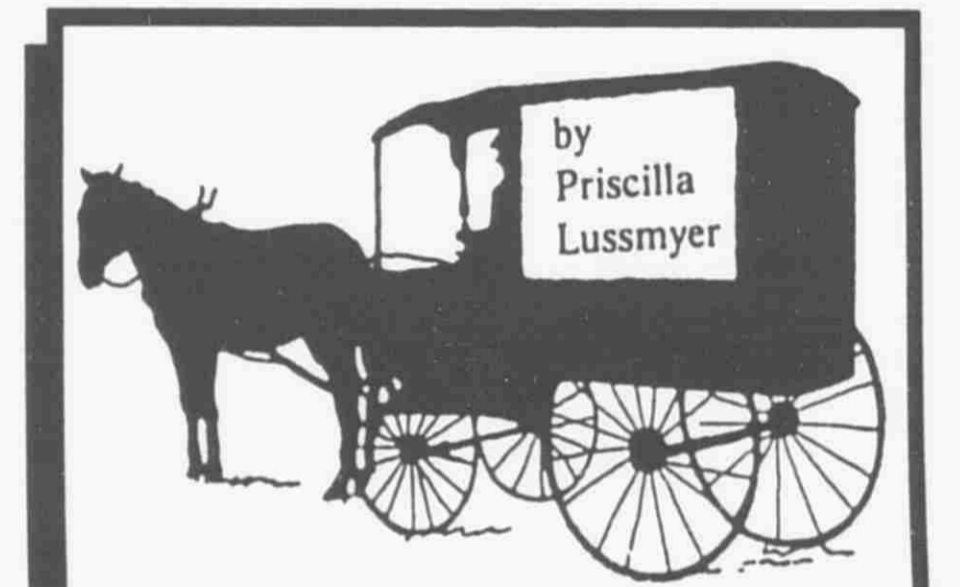
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pepper for my fries. She only brought salt. When I asked again for pepper she said, "Ooooh giggle, giggle, giggle, that's right, you did ask for pepper didn't you?"

We had to ask for everything, catsup, silverware, water, napkins, you name it. It's a good thing the table and chairs were there when we came in or we would have had to ask for them too! Of course, every trip to the kitchen involved a stop to chat with the jocks at the bar. My daughter never did get the guacamole dip she ordered for her chips and cheese, despite asking three or four times. The whole thing became so ridiculous I thought I was in a Mel Brooks movie.

The topper came when she took my payment to the cashier. The bill had come to thirty-one dollars and change. I put two twenties on the little tray. When our waitress picked it up she said, "Ooooh, giggle giggle, did you need your change back?" I guess I was too dumbfounded to think that she was actually asking me for a 25 percent tip, to come back with a proper wisecrack. I simply said, "Yes, I'd like my change back!" But I did throw in my muffled, "You brainless twit!" as she walked away. And yes, my wife kicked me again and my daughter laughed.

I won't say how much I left as a tip. But, I will say this, I've got a few bucks tucked away as an extra tip for a time when I'm served by a waitress like the ones I referred to in the first few paragraphs. Save the giggles 'til I've got my grits, that's my motto.



Ledger Entries

of 100, 75, 50 and 25 Years Ago

100 YEARS AGO IN THE JOURNAL - DEC. 7, 1892
The second session of the LLD (52nd in Roman numerals) Congress opens; among other items, Arizona and New Mexico statehood bills are passed.

J. O. Chapin's ice house and the Lowell & Hastings freight warehouse burn down, but the nearby Ecker Mill is saved. 13,000 dozen eggs, plus flour, wheat and miscellaneous are destroyed.

Kisor & Ayres are shipping out many monuments, here and elsewhere.

Lowell gives better prices for potatoes than Belding, say the Alton farmers.

Two new overcoats were stolen from the South Boston Union Church during evening service last week.

75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - DEC. 6, 1917
A nine-foot-deep, 30-foot-wide, 14 mile drain is being dug near Freeport.

The two literary clubs of Lowell have formed a Santa Claus Club to assure happy Christmases for needy children here.

The Red Cross Auxiliary lists an awesome number of sewing and knitting projects completed the last six months, and is filling Christmas bags for soldiers.

Lowell boys have pledged \$400 for the Army & Navy Y, and are asking for jobs to meet their goal.

The new Bolshevik regime in Russia is called a failure and the former czar is trying to regain control.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - DEC. 10, 1942
Draft registration is extended to 18 year olds. Married men will be called starting early next year.

The Office of Price Administration cuts back all rental charges to March 1 levels. Landlords must fill out forms showing they comply.

Diphtheria is a real threat to Michigan children this winter, since many have not been immunized.

Special permits must be obtained from the conservation department to keep small game meat more than 30 days, or deer/bear meat more than 60 past the end of the season.

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On Line, continued

MISTAKE #9 - PHYSICAL PUNISHMENT rarely produces lasting desired behavior in children and causes damage to a trusting parent-child relationship. Parents who regularly strike their children in frustration or anger usually lack alternative skills, and frequently have unrealistic expectations of their children at different ages. **ALTERNATIVE:** Work at understanding your kids by getting developmental information on normal child or teenage behaviors. Information is readily available in books, magazines, videotapes and support groups.

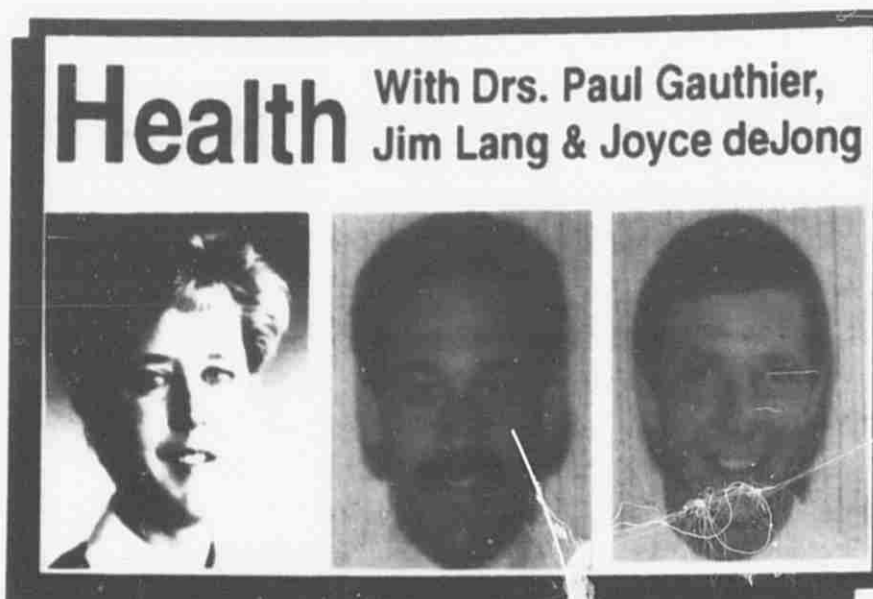
MISTAKE #10 - COERCION is the use of physical force to get the child to do what you want. Pushing or dragging a frightened child into the doctor's office is only asserting the parent's need rather than understanding and responding to the child's needs. **ALTERNATIVE:** Give the child a choice: "Do you want me to hold your hand, or do you want to go in by yourself?" This gives the child control over the situation, but leaves no doubt about what has to be done.

Ledger Entries, continued...

25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - DEC. 7, 1967
The school bus department is 30 years old, starting in 1937 with four buses; now there are 28.

The city needs to have an ambulance proposal before the County Board of Supervisors and decisions made before January 1, when Roth Ambulance Service will stop.

John Jones is promoted to acting superintendent of Lowell Light and Power to succeed the late Jake Callier.



Health With Drs. Paul Gauthier, Jim Lang & Joyce deJong

DETECTING BREAST IMPLANT PROBLEMS

Probably the least desirable problem associated with breast implants is that of implant leak or rupture. Symptoms of rupture vary from woman to woman, but may include changes in breast shape and sensation; chest pain or a burning sensation in the chest; stiffness in the chest, shoulder or upper arm; and lumps or swelling under the arms.

The current feeling of many implant specialists as well as the F. D. A. is that unless women have symptoms, they should not be concerned about having their implants removed, even though breast implants can sometimes rupture without having symptoms.

The F. D. A. currently recommends against having routine mammograms for the sole purpose of trying to detect ruptures. Instead, women with implants should perform monthly self breast exams, and they should be examined by their physician

every six months to one year.

Women with gel-filled breast implants should contact their physician if they experience symptoms associated with immune-related disorders or connective tissue disorders. Symptoms may include pain and swelling of the skin; swollen glands or lymph nodes; unusual, persistent or unexplained fatigue; swelling of the hands and feet; and unusual hair loss.

Let your physician know if any of these problems related to breast implant occur. In addition, the F. D. A. has established a toll free number 1-800-638-6725 which patients may call for further information.



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CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL

For the Regular Meeting of Monday, November 16, 1992.

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

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

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by FONGER that the minutes of the November 2, 1992 meeting be approved as written.

YEA: 5.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by THOMPSON that the bills and accounts payable be allowed and the warrants issued.

YEA: Councilmembers Green, Hodges, Thompson, Fonger and Mayor Maatman.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (11/16/92)

General Fund	\$ 71,517.25
Major Street Fund	942.89
Local Street Fund	1,241.94
Sewer Fund	750.32
Water Fund	9,709.27
Equipment Fund	3,886.61
Airport Fund	162.19
Current Tax Fund	7,317.95
Lee Fund	8,813.49
Improvement Fund	2,650.00

1. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

A. 1002 WEST MAIN (SOUTHEAST CORNER OF W. MAIN AND S. WEST) - CRYSTAL FLASH - NEW PYLON SIGN TO REPLACE TWO EXISTING SIGNS - PUBLIC HEARING. Councilmember Thompson as chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals, opened the public hearing for Crystal Flash that proposed to install a new pylon sign to replace two existing signs. Jeff Surman, a representative from Valley City sign company, stated that the new sign was requested since curbing was installed along Main Street west of the store by the Burger King location. This area was used as an access for a refuse truck. Since the vehicles are now forced to use the existing driveway, there is not adequate room to pass through safely near the existing pylon sign. Crystal Flash wished to place a new pylon sign onto the northeast corner of the property. The two current signs will be taken down and combined into one. The new 104 square

foot pylon sign will exceed the maximum square footage for pole signs by 54 square feet. Also, a pole sign is not allowed within a triangle formed between points on the front and side lot lines within 35 feet from the intersection. The proposed sign falls within that triangle. Councilmember Hodges questioned if the new pylon sign could be smaller. He felt it is important to help business. However, the City is receiving too many requests for exceptions.

Councilmember Green wondered if Crystal Flash has been operating under a variance for their two present signs. He felt the City should review the City's sign ordinance, but noted that Crystal Flash is cutting down on their total signage by 34 square feet. Green believed that it is a step in the right direction.

As requested by the Zoning Board, Police Chief Emmons thought that the location of the new sign posed no problem.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by HODGES to approve the variances for 1002 West Main - Crystal Flash to install a new 104 s.f. pylon sign to replace two existing signs and located within the 35' triangular area by the Main-West intersection.

YEA: 3. (Green, Hodges and Maatman)

NAY: 2. (Fonger and Thompson)

ABSENT: 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

B. 1300 W. MAIN - MCDONALD'S RESTAURANT - HEIGHT CLEARANCE FOR NEW READER BOARD SIGN - PUBLIC HEARING. Tina Black, as a representative from McDonald's, stated that her company felt the ground clearance requirement for the reader board of 10 feet could be achieved when recently installed on the pole sign. However, the reader board has only 8 feet of clearance. Thus, a request was made for a variance. Councilmember Hodges questioned if it would be possible to get a different sign. Black responded yes. Councilmember Green stated that the City was assured by McDonald's that the reader board would meet the 10 foot clearance requirement when a previous variance was granted.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAATMAN and seconded by GREEN to deny the variance request for 8 feet of clearance for the new reader board sign mounted on the pole sign at 1300 W. Main (McDonald's Restaurant).

YEA: 5.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

C. 1740 SIBLEY - EDWARD ROTH - SIDE YARD VARIANCE FOR GARAGE - SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE (12/7). Edward Roth has proposed to build a 21.5 X 24 ft. attached garage to his residence located at 1740 Sibley. The garage would be 1.5' of the west side yard lot line. In the R-2 district, a side yard can not be less than 6 feet. Because of the narrowness of the lot, a variance has been requested.

IT WAS MOVED BY FONGER and seconded by GREEN to set a public hearing date for December 7, 1992 to consider a variance allowing a garage less than 6 feet from the west side yard lot line.

YEA: 5.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

Item #2. NEW SEWER USE ORDINANCE - PUBLIC HEARING. Mark Mundt, Waste Water Treatment Plant Superintendent, was present to discuss the new sewer use ordinance. He stated the City's present ordinance was developed in 1986. Since that time, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has initiated new regulations for cities with industrial pre-treatment programs to implement. City Attorney Richard Wendt felt that the new ordinance should be parallel to the EPA standards. Mundt stated this ordinance will place the City of Lowell parallel with other communities with industrial pre-treatment programs as well as ahead in the State.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by FONGER to approve the new sewer use ordinance.

YEA: 5.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

Item #3. DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. A. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A DDA AND DESIGNATING DOWNTOWN DISTRICT - PUBLIC HEARING. City Manager Pasquale said that the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce has actively endorsed the Downtown Development Authority. The Chamber has sponsored several meetings and have done an excellent job in gathering information. Through City Attorney Richard Wendt, an ordinance to establish a DDA can now be considered. The Board will consist of nine members and will provide recommendations to the City Council regarding redevelopment potentials for the downtown area as well as adopting plans. A district has been proposed which included the commercial areas along Main and most of the industrial properties. There were two deletions involving residences that encompassed the Wittenbach Trailer Park and the north half of the block of Chatham, N. Hudson, Main St. and Lincoln Lake. Dr. James Reagan, Chamber of Commerce President, said tax increment financing will be the main source of funding. The DDA can raise up to 2 mills. However, there is no intent to do so. Councilmember Thompson read a letter from Gordon Hill, owner of Hill's Shoe Store (218 W. Main), regarding S. Water street east of the Michigan Wire Building. He felt the City and Michigan Wire should begin to work together and improve the area. Councilmember Thompson questioned how long the current City Council can restrict the levy of taxes by the DDA. City Manager Pasquale read a letter written by City Attorney Wendt which stated that no action may be



Brian Petersen, Attwood (Toys for Little Children Committee) presents Hugh Linkfield, Lowell Moose, with a check for \$1,070 to be used to help local families and children this holiday who are in need. Pictured above are, front, left to right, Pam Krause, Petersen, Linkfield, Cindy Geldersma, back row, left to right, Vicky Seaburg, Patricia Nowak-Wheeler and Dan Thomas.

"Toys for Little Children" committee raises \$1,070

For 20-plus years the Lowell Moose Club has been lending a helping hand to local families and children in need during the holiday season.

This year alone, the Lowell Moose will buy gifts and toys for in excess of 50 area children.

Since 1987, Attwood's

Toys for Little Children Committee has helped raise money for the Moose to buy food and gifts.

This year through its Toys for Little Children "Raffle 92," Attwood employees were able to collect \$1,070.

The gifts will be purchased and wrapped by the Ladies of

the Moose.

The Moose will deliver over 60 food baskets in the Lowell, Saranac, Ionia and Ada areas.

Delivery of the gifts and food baskets are scheduled for a week-and-a-half before Christmas.

For every five dollar donation an Attwood employee gave, he/she received one

ticket in the TLC raffle. A donation of \$25 earned an employee five raffle tickets.

Prizes awarded in the raffle were a one-night stay for two at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids. Other prizes included a handmade, hand-crocheted doll, a crocheted rag doll, a crocheted dog and a Garfield Gumball Machine bank.

Ties, continued...

to their owner unless they do not want the tie back, then it will be displayed again next year.

"Ties are totally subjective. Some have taste and some have no taste," Gilmore said.

The goal Thornapple Village Inn Restaurant has set in its initial year for the tie contest is \$1,000. Gilmore believes it will be reached.

"In the future we may make it a large promotion because

we believe it is a great event," Gilmore said.

Winning ties will be eligible for a week's lodging at Red Stone Inn, Redstone CO; a \$100 gift certificate to the Thornapple Village Inn wine cellar; a Thornapple Village Inn deep-dish pizza party for 10; a \$25 gift certificate to Kirby Grill; and a \$25 gift certificate to Thornapple Village Inn.

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taken by the current City Council to forever bar future City Councils from approving the levy of such tax. Future City Councils would always be free to repeal the ordinance. City Manager Pasquale added a resolution provides a means to indicate the City is not interested in levying the two mills on the district.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by GREEN to adopt the ordinance which establishes the Downtown Development Authority and designating a downtown district.

YEA: 5.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY THOMPSON and seconded by HODGES to accept the resolution expressing intent not to levy an added millage in the downtown development district.

YEA: 5.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

Item #4. ADDENDUM TO EASEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN GRAND RIVER INVESTMENTS, INC. AND THE CITY RELATING TO PUBLIC ACCESS TO BOAT LAUNCH AT STONEY LAKESIDE PARK. City Manager Pasquale explained the City entered into an agreement with Grand River Investments, Inc. (owners of the Pebble Beach Apartments) to provide access to a proposed boat launch at Stoney Lakeside Park. The agreement involved deeding of property and an easement to the City.

As part of the agreement, a four foot high fence is required to be installed by the City. Originally, the fence was to be extended 100 feet from the southeast corner of the easement property. But after reviewing the site, it was felt by city staff and GRI that the new location (145' of fence starting 85' from the easement property) will avoid placing the fence in the asphalt and will be easier to maintain for plowing snow. An addendum to the agreement was presented for consideration.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by FONGER to approve the addendum to the easement agreement between Grand River Investments, Inc. and the City relating to public access to boat launch at Stoney Lakeside Park.

YEA: 5.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

Item #5. CITY AUDIT PRESENTATION REGARDING LIGHT AND POWER AND CABLE TV DEPARTMENTS. Virgil Biggs and Dan Cafmeyer, of Biggs, Hausserman, Thompson and Dickinson were present to discuss the audit of the accounts and records of Lowell Cable Television for the year ended June 30, 1992. Biggs stated the net income for the year ending 1992 was \$93,439. In 1991, the net income was \$10,000 with the

previous year producing a loss. He added that there has been a significant change in the operating revenues that have taken place over time due to rate adjustments. The effects of these is very positive in terms of producing a profit. Biggs noted that the operating profit has caused the accumulated deficit to go down. He added there still is an accumulated deficit in the fund so the ability to maintain these profits is critical.

Additionally, restricted assets cash and investments were \$67,000 for the year ending June 30, 1992, due to an increase in operating revenues.

Regarding Lowell Light and Power, Biggs mentioned the 1992 statement indicated a loss of \$4290. This contracted with 1991 which provided a profit of \$52,000 and a profit of \$352,000 in 1990. He added there were significant operational changes and factors not in control by Light and Power. He explained in detail the areas of payment in lieu of taxes, revenues received from power purchase contracts, labor and outside sources and writing off of uncollectibles which all have had an impact. Councilmember Thompson noted the numerous audit adjustments required to the accounts of Lowell Light and Power. He wondered if there were problems with the accounting department and if so, how the situation is being handled. Biggs stated there is an issue of accounting adjustments not being undertaken on a more current basis. He added many adjustments are not being made until the time of the audit.

Ray Quada, as chairman of the Light and Power Board, responded that Paul Christman, Superintendent of Lowell Light and Power, has been with the organization since the beginning of the new fiscal year. He added that Light and Power is in the process of completing a series of personnel evaluations. Quada said he is confident that with the new leadership, the proper evaluations will be conducted.

Thompson questioned if Light and Power had sufficient policies to administer the area of delinquent accounts. Biggs responded legal advice was sought as to the validity of the write offs. A letter presented to the Light and Power Board in November 1990, from City Attorney Richard Wendt who stated the writing off of those delinquent accounts in question was valid. Quada mentioned the Light and Power Board is dedicated to developing solid fair policies. He stated with the hiring of Paul Christman, good solid results will be received and continue to resolve the issues presented this evening.

Item #6. MONTHLY REPORTS. The following monthly reports were presented:

Police	Animal Control	Building Permits
Fire	Budget	Ambulance
Budget	Public Works	

Item #7. CITIZEN COMMENTS. None.

Item #8. COUNCIL COMMENTS. Councilmember Hodges stated his wishes to establish a worksession concerning the sign ordinance with the Planning Com-

mission. He asked that this issue be brought to the Commission next week.

Item #9. MANAGER'S REPORT. City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:

A. During the course of discussions with Lowell Township, questions concerning the service area for the sanitary sewer arose. There are no service areas defined in the current agreement but the township is limited to 18% of plant capacity. By consensus, the Council had no problem with the defined exclusive area of the water agreement as long as the same plant capacity for the township is kept.

B. The East Riverfront plan is nearing completion. This is a joint effort of the City and Schools to consider future development of the Runcimans Riverside Schools and City Hall blocks, including a new library site and parks expansion.

After review with the Council, the following groups will be contacted:

- Planning Commission
- Parks and Recreation Commission
- Library Board and staff
- Downtown Development Authority
- Area businesses and residents
- Schools
- Showboat
- YMCA

Pasquale mentioned that these groups will be invited to provide input as to future plans in this area. A plan will be adopted by the City Council and the School Board that would provide a direction for future development of this area.

C. City Manager Pasquale stated in response to Councilmember Thompson's inquiry, property owners along Grindle between James and Shepard are being assessed for the asphaltting of the road (\$10,200 est.). Final costs have not been calculated. However, these will be included in their special assessments.

Item #10. APPOINTMENTS. Mayor Maatman appointed the following persons to the Downtown Development Authority:

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| Dr. James Reagan | Terry Conley |
| Robert Pfaller | Ray Quada |
| Brian Doyle | Dean Lonick |
| Karen Hale | Charlene Chapman |
| David Pasquale | |

Pasquale said that there were a number of other persons that expressed an interest. The lengths of terms will be discussed at the organizational meeting scheduled for early December.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES to adjourn at 8:59 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: December 7, 1992

James D. Maatman, Mayor
David M. Pasquale, City Clerk

MADD Kent County Chapter blankets area with red ribbons

Red ribbons will blanket the roadways here between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day as a symbol of sober driving. That's the goal of the MADD Kent County Chapter

in its effort to save lives and prevent injury this holiday season.

Now in its seventh year, MADD is again asking motorists to "The One On For

Safety" as part of Project Red Ribbon, MADD's largest public awareness campaign. The red ribbon, tied to a visible location on the vehicle, is a symbol of the motorist's

pledge to drive safe and sober during the holiday season and throughout the year, and to remind others to do the same.

Last year in the United States, nearly 50 percent of

all fatal traffic crashes were alcohol-related. In Michigan 635 people were killed in alcohol related crashes, 16 in Kent County alone. Between Thanksgiving and New Year's

Eve, 1673 people in the United States died in alcohol related crashes.

"The number of people killed in impaired driving crashes has dropped over the years, but one death is one too many," said Carol Korf, President of the Kent County chapter. "PROJECT RED RIBBON is an easy way for everyone in the community to get involved and remind other motorists of their support to fight drunk driving. We're asking everyone here to 'The One On For Safety' this holiday season." Ms. Korf continued. Korf's remarks were made today during a press conference to kick off this year's PROJECT RED RIBBON campaign.

Mayor John Logie of Grand Rapids participated proclaiming the 1992 Holiday Season to be "THE ONE ON FOR SAFETY/ RED RIBBON CAMPAIGN PERIOD" and urged all citizens to participate in the campaign.

Senator William VanRegenmorter of Jenison, stressed the importance of the legislation that went into effect January 1, 1992. He quoted statistics from the Secretary of State which indicate the laws are having an impact on drunk driving.

Other participants in the press conference were the Kent County Chapter of the Professional Independent Insurance Agents, represented by president Jim Teets, the Kent County Sheriff's Department, represented by Captain Hudenko and Sergeant Berg, and Students Against Driving Drunk represented by Liz Spang and Karen Thwaites from Northview High School.

Spartan Stores, Inc., Gannett Outdoor and the Interstate Truckload Carriers Conference all contributed to this year's local campaign.

Ribbons are available at all Spartan Stores, Butterworth Med Centers, Witmark Stores, insurance agents and many neighborhood businesses. Ribbons are cut and distributed by MADD volunteers who have contacted the businesses and delivered their display of ribbons. Area businesses who have not been contacted but are interested in participating are urged to contact the MADD office at 456-6233.

In addition, many local businesses are distributing ribbons to their employees and/or company vehicles. These companies include Gordon Food Service, Steelcase, Lax Industries, and Lumberman's.

MADD's mission is to stop drunk driving and support victims of this violent crime. For more information on Kent County's PROJECT RED RIBBON campaign, please contact Amy Callaway at 456-MADD or Carol Korf at 249-4259.

A comedian can only last till he either takes himself serious or his audience takes him serious. —Will Rogers



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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.

SECOND 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!

THIRD 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 E., Alto. The meeting is at 7:30 p.m.

FOURTH MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: American Legion Clark-Ellis Post 152 at Lowell VFW Hall, 307 E. Main St. at 8 p.m.

EVERY TUESDAY MORNING: Coffee break, a community Bible study for ladies at Calvary Church, 1125 W. Main St., Lowell at 9:30 a.m. Free nursery. Bible story hour for 3 to 6 year olds. A good way to meet your neighbors.

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

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 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 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.

EVERY SECOND & FOURTH TUES.: Qua-Ke-Zik Sportsmen's Club - meets at 8 p.m. at the Club building at 1400 Foreman Road, Lowell.

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 Dar'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.

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 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 SUN.: The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse at, 18841 Potters Rd. Just east of Montcalm Ave. at 1 p.m. New members and guests are welcome.

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.

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THROUGH DEC. 24: Christmas trees and wreaths will be sold in the Family Fare parking lot by the Lowell Area Schools Athletic Boosters Club. Hours: Mon. through Friday, 4 to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday 12 to 8 p.m.

THURS., DEC. 10: Change of date. Keenagers will meet at Vergennes Methodist Church at 10 a.m. We will pack boxes for shut-ins. Please bring baked goods, cookies, breads, candies. We will have dinner; chicken a la king, please bring salad or dessert and your own table service.

FRI., DEC. 11: Cyclamen Chapter #94 will have a potluck dinner before the regular meeting. Bring a dish to pass and own table service. Meat furnished. Eat at 6:30 p.m. and meeting at 7:30 p.m.

DEC. 11 & 12: Craft and bake sale at FMB State Savings Bank. Sponsored by Honey Creek Christian Services Guilds. Finish up your Christmas shopping.

SAT., DEC. 12: The 5th Annual Cannon Historical

Society Christmas Party will be held at Cannonsburg School on Sturgis Ave., in Cannonsburg at 7 p.m. Bring a dish to pass, table service, and salad or dessert. Program to be presented by John Grudzinskas will include a Community sing-along and dancing. Everyone welcome.

SUN., DEC. 13: The Clark-Ellis Post American Legion and Auxiliary family Christmas potluck dinner will be at 1:30 at Schneider Manor. Please bring your own table service and dish to pass. Coffee and punch will be furnished. Sponsor is Angeline Mulder.

SUN., DEC. 13: Saranac Country Village Christmas Home Tour from 2 to 7 p.m. Tickets \$5 each from Ge-

ranium Guild members in advance or at the Saranac Community Church the day of tour. For more information call 897-8936.

DEC. 18 & 19: Benefit Craft Open House, 6472 Hastings Road (mobile home) 1/2 mile north of Jimmy's Grill. Friday, Dec. 18, 6 to 9; Saturday, Dec. 19, 9 to 4. Last minute Christmas shopping. Free punch and cookies. Proceeds to Honey Creek Christian Services.

SAT., DEC. 19: Past Matrons of Cyclamen Chapter #94 O.E.S. invites the families to their Christmas potluck at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Ival and Effie Paulsen. Bring a dish to pass and a small, unwrapped gift for a needy child. Meat furnished.

CITY OF LOWELL SNOW REMOVAL REMINDER

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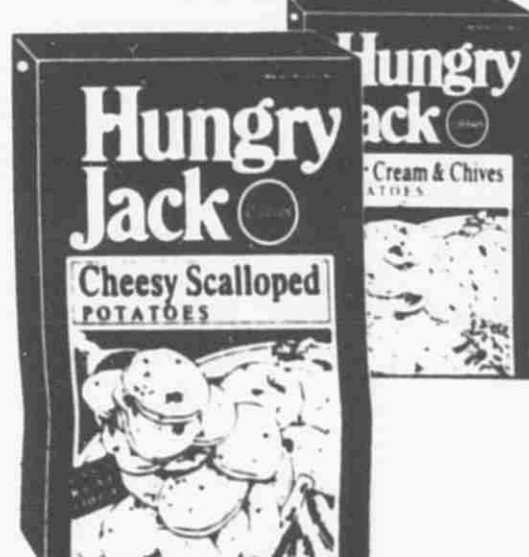


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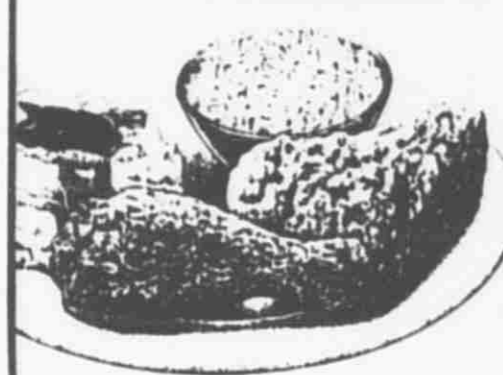


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Lowell High School recognizes December Students-of-the-Month

Students-of-the-month at Lowell High School for the month of December are: senior, Karen Serne; junior, April Leach; sophomore, Leesha Metternick and freshman Elena Richmond.

Serne is the daughter of Michael and JoAnn Serne of Ada. At various times during her four years at Lowell High School, she has been involved with International Club, Teens Involved, and Women's Club. She hopes to be a nurse.

Her teacher nominator's comments show that Serne displays qualities on a daily basis which she will need in nursing: teamwork, helpfulness, and sensitivity. The teacher wrote, "I found her best quality is her ability to make newcomers in the school feel at home." Serne plans to begin her nursing studies at Grand Rapids Community College next fall. Outside of school she spends her time working at Ada Drug Store, reading, or going to movies.

Leach is the daughter of Rob and Pam Leach of Lowell. She likes to be active and has been involved in a variety of clubs and sports. She has been a manager of the soccer team and has participated on the track team. She is a member of the International Club, Teens Involved, and the National Honor Society. She has been in Marching Band three years and served as its secretary two years. She was also captain of this year's Junior Powder Puff Football team.

Her teacher nominator calls her "an extremely enthusiastic student who goes out of her way to get every bit of information available and sets an excellent example for her classmates." Her favorite classes are Honors Chemistry and Spanish II. To keep active when she isn't doing schoolwork or clubs, she rollerblades, skis, dances, or runs.

Metternick is the daughter of Colleen and Dar Lalone of Lowell. She has chosen competitive activities to fill her time outside of classes since she has been at the high school. In her freshman year she competed in tennis, volleyball, and golf. In her sophomore year she will repeat the same three sports and has added debate to the list.

Her teacher nominator describes Leesha as a student "eager to learn and enthusiastic when she is given a new project or assignment." She also commends Metternick for being helpful and complimentary to other students in the class. She lists English, Spanish, and biology as her favorite classes and swimming, reading, and listening to music as her favorite activities.

Richmond is the daughter of Jerrold and Diane Richmond of Lowell. She was a member of the Junior Varsity Basketball team this fall, is now involved in volleyball,

and plans to try out for the softball team. Despite being active in sports, she hopes to keep up the high grades she earned first quarter. Her favorite classes are gym, physical science, and health. She is a junior officer in the FFA, and is also involved in the South Kent 4-H Club and the youth group at St. Patrick's church.

Her teacher nominator describes her as polite and pleasant, adding that "she is a

great competitor and shows good sportsmanship." She helps on her family's dairy farm and also enjoys horseback riding, reading, ceramics, and crafts.

These four young women exemplify the characteristics promoted at Lowell High School. The community is asked to join the LHS administration, faculty, and staff in honoring them as students-of-the-month.



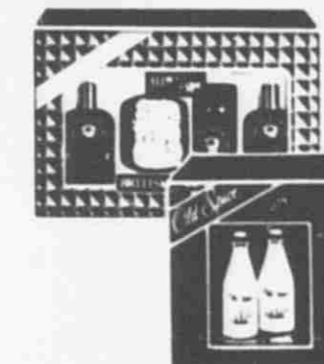
The December Students-of-the-Month at Lowell High School are, from left to right: freshman, Elena Richmond; sophomore, Leesha Metternick; junior, April Leach and senior, Karen Serne.

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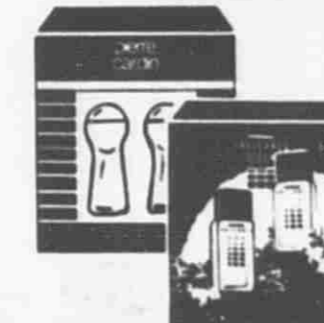
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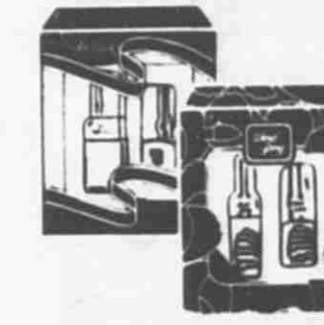


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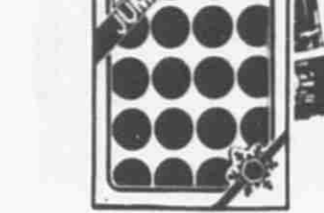
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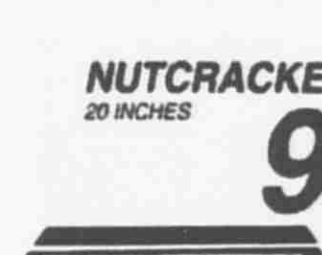
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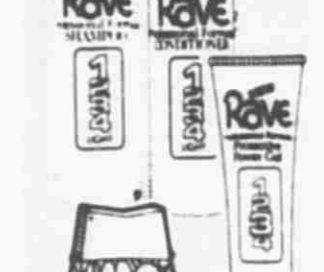
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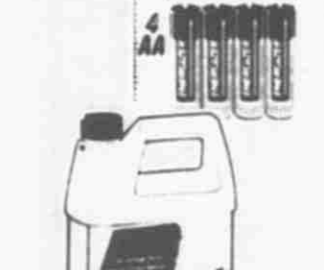
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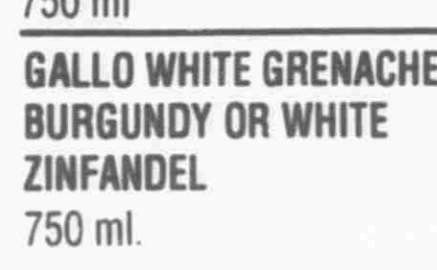
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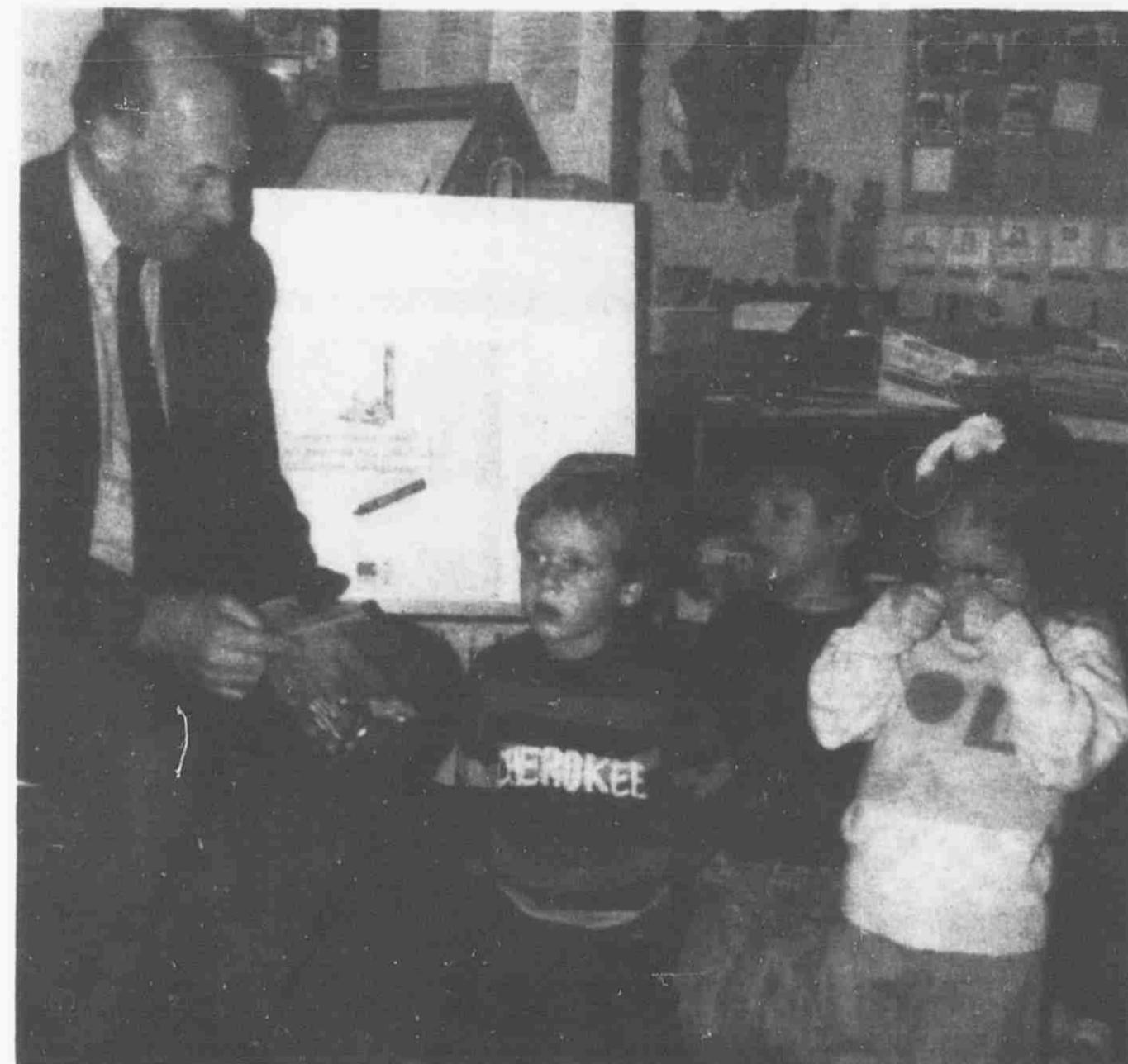
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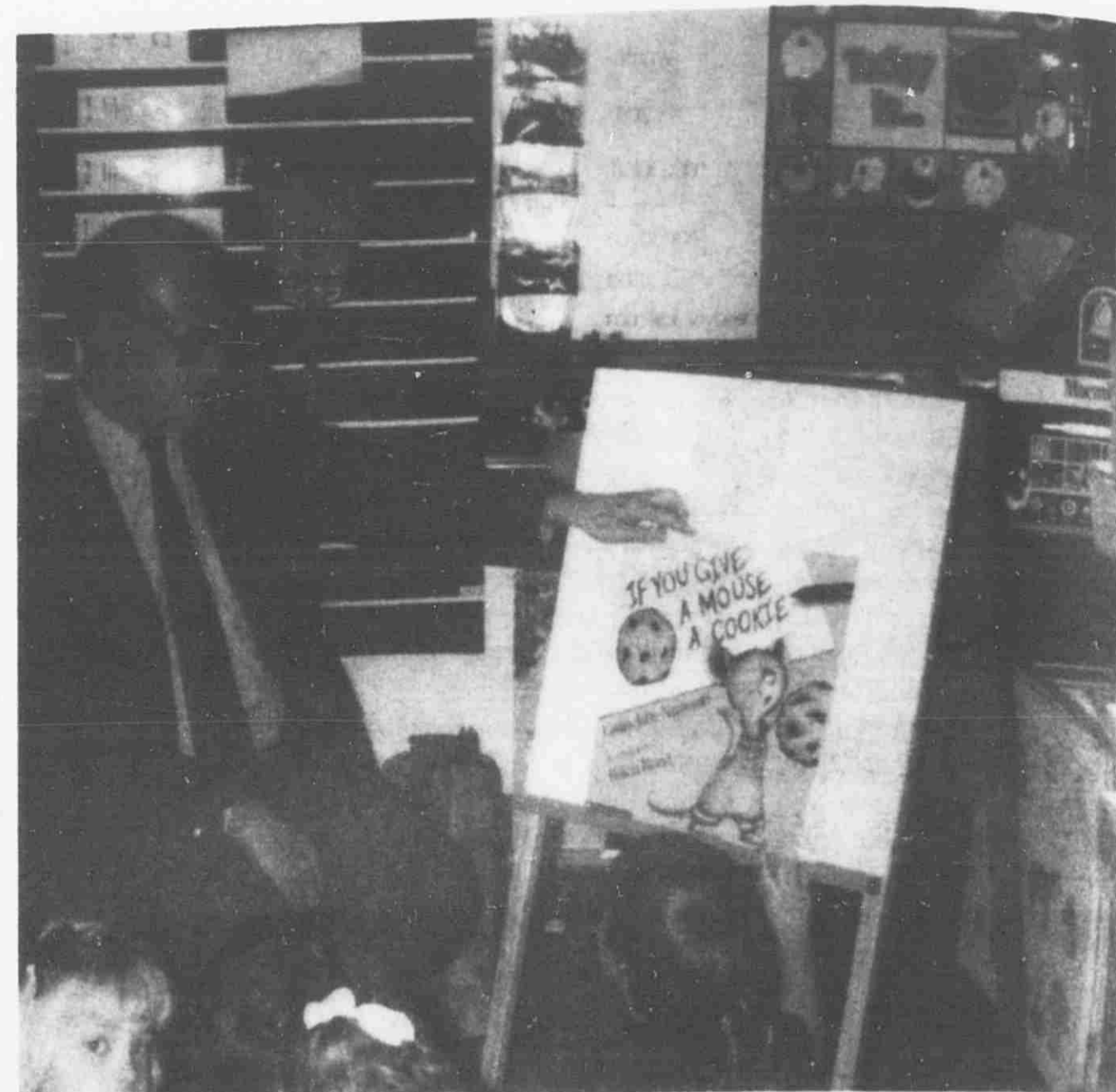
Esch enjoys first hand Alto classroom experiences

Alto kindergartners gave Dr. Fritz Esch, the superintendent of the Lowell Area Schools, a friendly welcome last week. He visited Alto School as part of his effort to visit all Lowell Schools to enjoy classroom experiences first hand. Students reviewed their vocabulary words and sang three songs complete with tom-toms and bells accompanied by their teacher, Barbara Townsend. But students turned the tables on Dr. Esch by asking him to read a story from one of their Big Books, "If You Give a Mouse a Cookie."

At the end of the story, Dr. Esch was presented with a home-made cookie made especially for him by a kindergarten student.



Kindergarten students baked a homemade cookie for Superintendent Esch.



Lowell superintendent shares a story with Alto Elementary students.

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6:00 MOVIE: There's No Business Like Show Business A family finds adventures in show business.

7:00 SportsCenter
8:00 MOVIE: The Competition Two gifted artists competing in one of the world's most renowned piano contests fall in love with each other.

9:00 MOVIE: Every Which Way But Loose An easygoing trucker earns extra money by lighting with his bare knuckles in barsrooms, while his best friend, an orangutan, looks on.

10:00 SportsCenter
10:05 MOVIE: The Love Boat Visits Greece A graduating class sails to Greece for its final ceremonies.

10:15 MOVIE: Firstborn A sensitive teenager immediately distrusts the slick and familiar ways of his mother's boyfriend, Christopher Collet.

11:00 MOVIE: Courage Mountain A mountain girl is plunged into adventure when her boarding school is overrun by soldiers and an evil man becomes her guardian.

11:30 Tennis Grand Slam Cup, quarterfinals (L)

AFTERNOON

12:00 MOVIE: American Madness A bank clerk conspires with gangsters to rob his bank and he frames the bank president for the crime.

1:00 MOVIE: The Big Knife A top Hollywood star grows dissatisfied with his life, his work and his marriage.

1:05 MOVIE: Napoleon and Samantha Two youngsters and their pet lion hit the road to go live with a recluse friend.

1:30 MOVIE: The Return of Frank James Frank James once again rides the trail of crime in order to

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2:00 MOVIE: Coast to Coast A trucker on the lam and a damsel in distress are thrown together in a cross-country adventure.

2:15 MOVIE: 13 West Street An electronics engineer is brutally beaten by a gang of well-dressed teenagers and sets out, against the advice of a police, to find them.

3:00 MOVIE: The Man Behind the Gun An army agent goes undercover to investigate the Southern California secret movement in the 1850s.

3:30 MOVIE: The Forty-Eight Hour Mile A private investigator tries to serve a subpoena to a wealthy industrialist.

4:00 MOVIE: Cry Terror A psychopath forces an electronics expert to help him in an elaborate heist.

4:30 MOVIE: Waiting for the Light During the 1950s, a practical joke causes a man to believe he has been visited by God.

5:30 MOVIE: The Nutcracker Prince An enchanted toy battles the forces of evil as Christmas approaches.

6:00 Classic MTV
6:30 MOVIE: Alien Nation (L)
6:30 MOVIE: Life is Sweet (Stereo)

6:30 MOVIE: The Apple Dumpling Gang A gambler and three frisky orphans strike it rich after a bank robbery in El Dorado.

6:30 MOVIE: The Smugglers An innocent old lady has the slightest suspicion that her European vacation is being used as a cover-up for a smuggling operation.

6:30 MOVIE: One Magic Christmas A disillusioned young man rediscovers the power of love through her children's belief in Santa Claus.

6:30 MOVIE: The Grind
6:30 MOVIE: Night Court (CC)
6:30 MOVIE: NBC News (CC)

6:30 MOVIE: Wanted: The Sundance Woman faces danger from pursuit by a relentless lawman and a risky alliance with a Mexican revolutionary.

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6:35 Andy Griffith
7:00 MTV Jams
7:00 Roseanne (Stereo) (CC)
7:00 Entertainment Tonight (Stereo) (CC)

7:00 Cheers (CC)
7:00 MacNeil/Lehrer NewsHour (CC)
7:00 Current Affair (CC)
7:00 (HBO) Inside the NFL

7:00 Christmas Under the Umbrella Tree
7:00 Quantum Leap (Stereo) (CC)
7:00 Big Brother Jake (CC)
7:00 Designing Women (Stereo) (CC)

7:00 SportsCenter
7:00 Looey Tunes
7:00 New Wilderness
7:00 Hockey Week (Stereo) (CC)

7:00 Wheel of Fortune (CC)
7:00 That's Amore
7:00 The Jeffersons
7:00 Beverly Hillsbillies

7:00 Hall Hour Comedy Hour
7:00 Golden Girls (CC)
7:00 Inside Edition (CC)
7:00 Murphy Brown (Stereo) (CC)

7:00 You Bet Your Life
7:00 Will Vinton's Claymation Christmas
7:00 Maniac Mansion (Stereo) (CC)
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7:00 News
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7:00 Off the Record
7:00 Asia Now
7:00 [MAX] MOVIE: Sheena (Stereo) (CC)
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WRESTLING

Rivers hedges on his Red Arrows' success in 1992-93

Some coaches finish a wrestling season at 16-4 and think they have the world by the tail. Others seek out answers as to why they lost the four matches.

Lowell coach Gary Rivers did just that, and he hopes what he has found will help make his Red Arrow grapplers quicker on their feet.

"We have to be better on our feet. The last couple of years we've been slow on our feet and have been beaten because of it," Rivers said. "This year we will be returning to some old, proven down moves."

A slow on its feet Red Arrow wrestling team was still good enough for a tie of the O-K White Conference championship, a District Championship, and a Regional Championship. "That was not expected," Rivers says with a tone of disbelief.

In 1992-93 Rivers and his Lowell wrestling team will be seeking its fifth O-K White Championship. The 33 year veteran Lowell wrestling coach knows there are some hurdles to clear.

The highest of hurdles will be two-time defending conference champion, Sparta. "The Spartans are the team to beat.

They have quality returning, plus they have quality youngsters coming up through their program," Rivers explains.

Other hurdles include Northview, Zeeland and Forest Hills Central. "Zeeland has an awful lot of young kids with freestyle background. They have the potential to be good. Central also has the potential," Rivers says. "Northview is always tough. They, like Sparta and ourselves have that tradition. I think that helps give our kids a boost."

On paper Rivers believes his Red Arrows look stronger, but will need a boost of its own in certain weight divisions. "If things come around and certain weights develop we'll be stronger," he says.

Rivers will find out answers to his questions early as he put together a formidable early season schedule. It includes traveling to the Hemlock Tournament, the Battle Creek Lakeview Tournament, and a trip to the Grandville Invitational.

"We're going to be tested early. I like it that way. Our boys will get educated," Rivers smiles.

This year's schedule also includes four encounters with

Cedar Springs (two quads and two tournaments).

There will be 33 wrestlers vying for 13 spots on a weekly basis. Rivers has 15 experienced wrestlers back from a year ago. At the other end of that spectrum, he has four promising freshman on the roster.

Red Arrow wrestlers who would seem to have a lock on whatever weight they choose are Mike Rottier, 119; Corey Kirkbride, 152; Jim Inman, 140 or 145; Rich Stouffer, 171; and Chris Miedema, 189.

"Our strength this year should be in the light and middle weight classes. Going into the season I'd say our heavier weights are not as strong," Rivers says. "The key will be how they develop."

Sophomore Scott Swanson may be the favorite at 103. He's been wrestling free-style since the age of five.

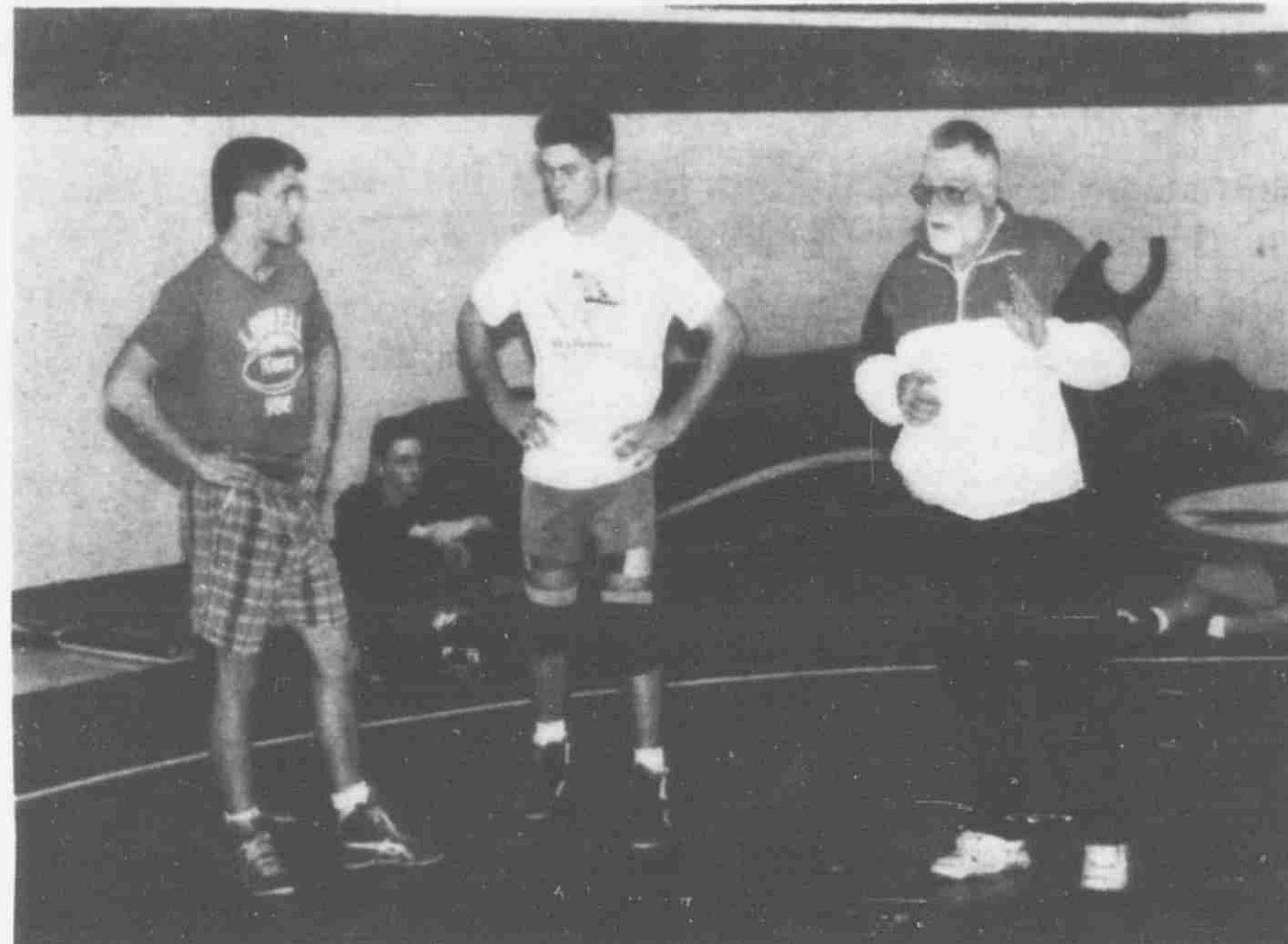
At 112 it will be a tough battle between Chad Campbell and freshman Dan Spicer. Chad Chertos and Doug Weeks will battle at 125 pounds.

Justin Anes is most likely to fill the 130 pound spot.

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Lowell wrestling coach Gary Rivers, in his 33rd year, is busy preparing his 1992-93 squad for another dogfight in the O-K White. Once again Sparta and Lowell are considered favorites.



The Red Arrows eye a 5th conference crown.

VOLLEYBALL

Youth should serve Red Arrow spikers well

Its 1991-92 win/loss record did not reflect it, but Lowell volleyball coach Laurie Kuna believes a late season two-set loss to Forest Hills Central (13-15, 12-15) did.

What it reflected was the girls belief in themselves. "Despite the win/loss record the girls enjoyed the game enough to stick with it. Against Central they came close to proving on any given night they could compete against one of the O-K White Conference's best," Kuna said.

The Lowell coach is looking forward to the 1992-93 season. "We have a young team that I believe is capable of having a good year," Kuna said. "The keys to a good year will be basic - we must do a good job of passing and serving."

Responsible for carrying out the setting and passing duties will be seniors Jodi Bishop and Carolyn Kline. "We're a lot quicker and that is going to help our setting and passing. The quickness of Bishop and Kline will help improve the confidence of the hitters," Kuna said. "Better setting is going to help our hitting and finishing."

Another area of emphasis going into the season has been conditioning. Kuna believes conditioning will go a long way in improving the defense.

Lowell will look to seniors Stacy Tousignant and Erin Nausieda for leadership. Both girls have played four years of volleyball, two of those at the varsity level. Both will see significant playing time.

Nausieda possesses Lowell's best serve. "Not only is Erin consistent with her serves, but she can place them where she wants. Lowell's hardest serving honors goes to Ashley Olin.

Both Tousignant and Nausieda will be key Red Arrow hitters. Defensively they should hold their own when it comes to blocking. So much so, that Kuna believes that blocking is where Lowell will show significant improvement.

The two seniors will get support in this area from underclassmen Kortney Gowen and Alison Kissenger. Kuna reports that Gowen has a 24-inch vertical jump. "Kortney has improved. As she develops, Kortney will find more and more success blocking," Lowell's coach explains.

If Lowell has a diamond in the rough, it may be Sarah Hall. She possesses good passing skills, hits the ball well, has an improved serve and plays good defense. "Hall works hard and is a great kid," Kuna said.

Without hesitation Kuna calls Kerry Nugent the smartest player she has ever coached. "She runs the court well and knows, not only her position, but the positions of others," she says.

Kuna tabs the Rangers as the league favorite. "Pat Hartzog of Forest Hills Central. I believe, is the best technical coach in the area."

Lowell's coach picks Zeeland, Wyoming Park and East Grand Rapids to be right behind.

Kuna lauds the numbers out for volleyball at Lowell High School in 1992-93. She has 16 girls out for volleyball at the varsity level. Lowell's coach will keep 12, plus foreign ex-

change student Jeannine Priess. "In all honesty, I think Jeannine may be able to help us before the year's over," Kuna said.

There were 25 girls who went out for volleyball at the junior varsity level and 36 who signed up at the freshman level. Provided they stick with the sport, numbers like that bode well for Lowell volleyball.

Wrestling, continued

although Ron Osmolinski will challenge.

Chris Kamphuis appears to be Lowell's 135-pounder.

Jason DesJarden will wrestle either at 140 or 145, which means he'll have to contend with Inman or Noah Newhouse. A tough task to say the least.

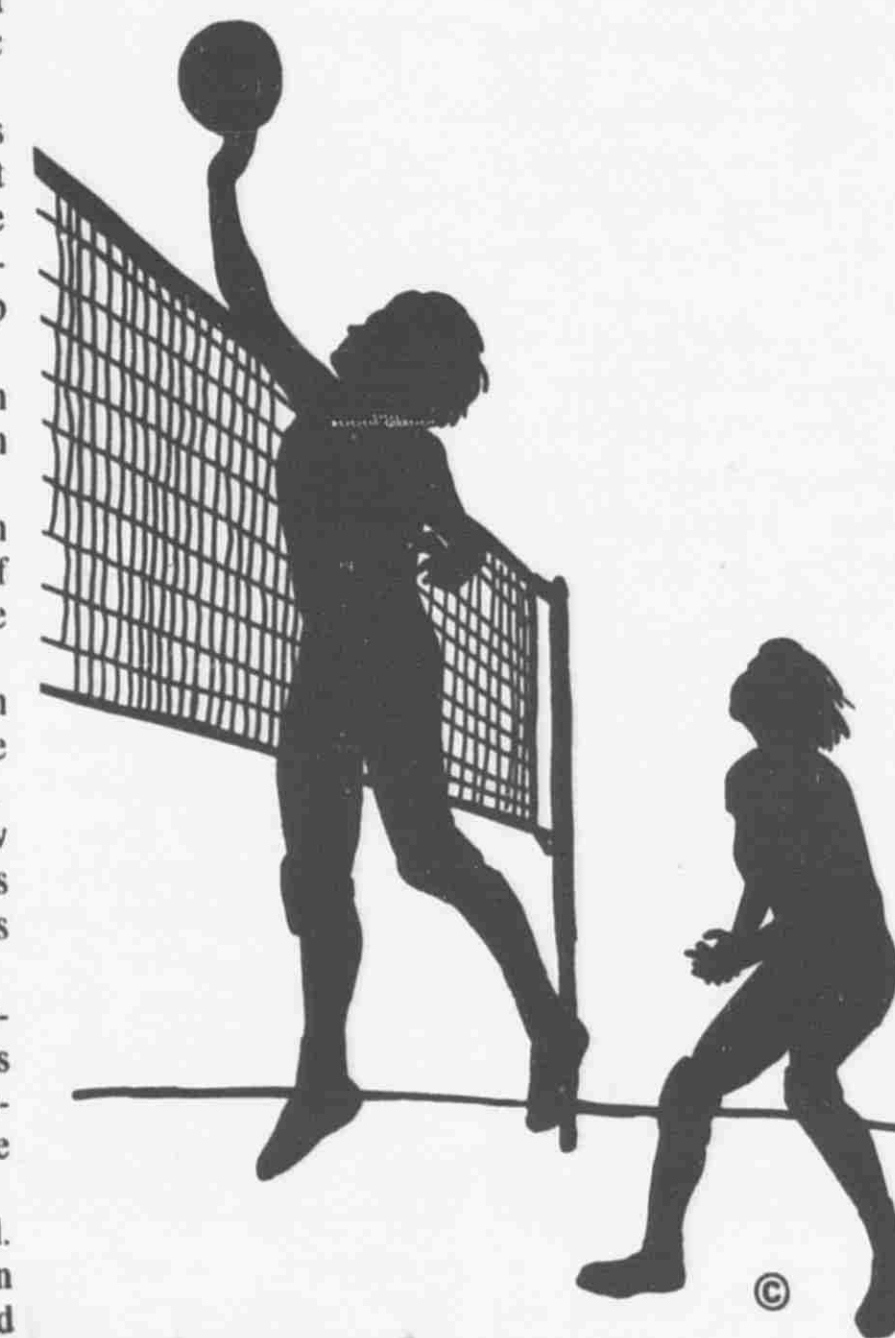
With Stouffer at 171, Ryan Scott may try to reduce down to 160. This weight class may be the biggest question mark facing Lowell.

The heavyweight spot looks to be Sean Smith's for the taking. He could be challenged by junior Chris Nauta.

Other than Spicer, Rivers thinks freshmen Matt Inman, Joel Uzararski and Jeff Hovinga could contribute before years end.

With the loss of Rich DePew and Dave Stouffer to graduation, Lowell will not have the outstanding individual wrestlers, but Rivers says the Red Arrows will be a tournament team.

At the top of the team goal list is a fifth O-K White Championship.



Lowell merchants wish all winter athletes a successful season

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BASKETBALL

Off-season commitment may parlay into successful season

Winning takes commitment, a willingness to put in the time, and a desire to win.

During the off season, many of the players on the 1992-93 Lowell varsity basketball roster showed signs of

Park to follow.

"Our boys made a commitment this summer. They want to win. They attended three camps, Albion, Calvin and Northwood. They also attended our local camp here in

to help us. He's fundamentally a good all-around player. He understands the game, is a good passer, goes to the hole and knows when to pull up," Beachler said. "He can also shoot."

The presence of Summers

in the backcourt gives Lowell two outside scoring threats and also permits Beachler to move the other threat to the forward position.

The other scoring threat is senior Chad Dunn. "Both players can shoot the ball from the outside," Beachler said.

Depending on whether Leigh is at the point or off-guard position, he will be joined by teammate James Manion in the backcourt. Junior Greg Jannenga may also help out.

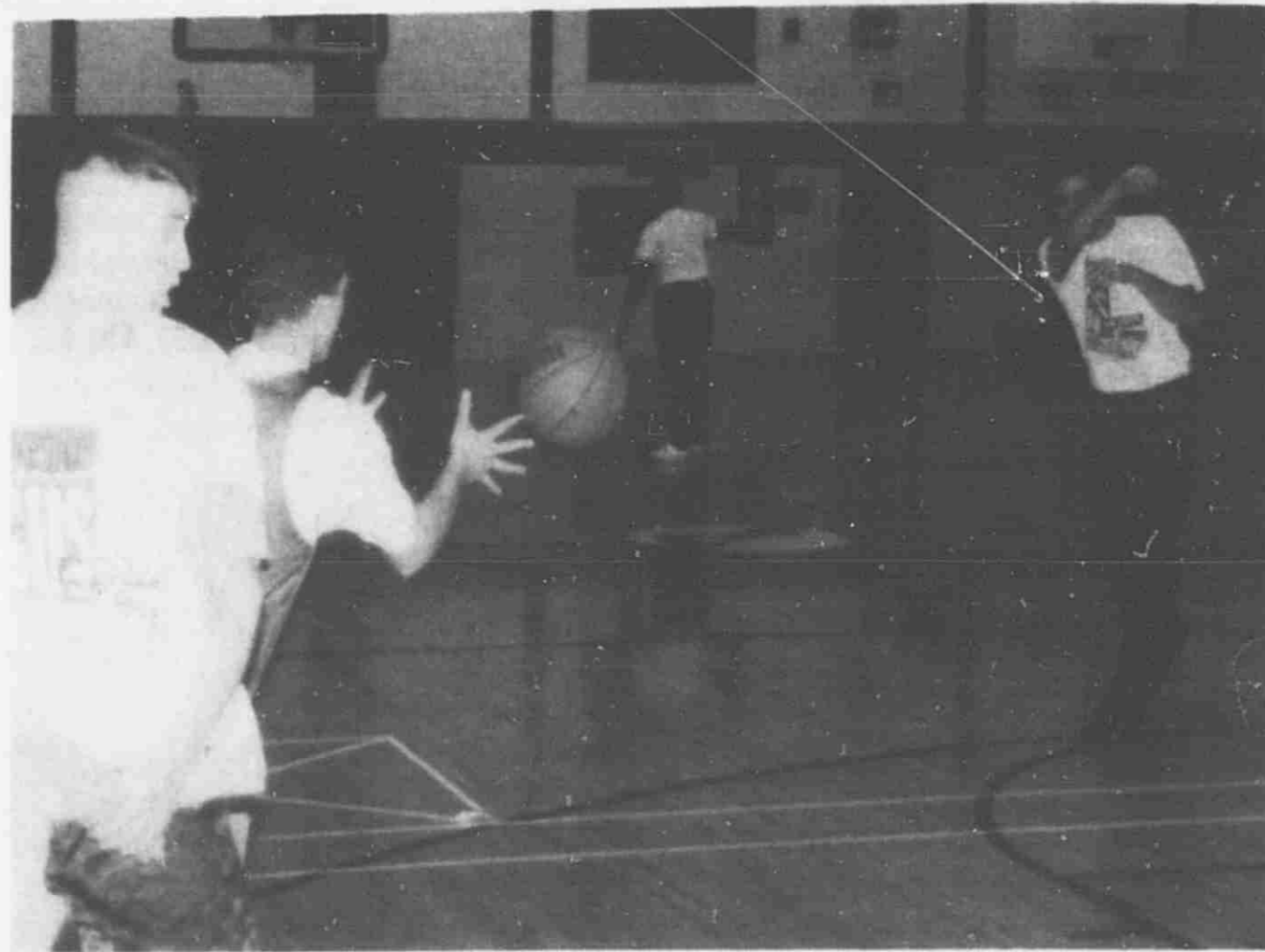
Manion and Summers will a run and press style of play.

They will work with a strong, sturdy and tested front-line. At center will be Nate Janes. Behind Dunn and Summers he may very well be Lowell's best shooter. "Nate shoots the ball very well," Beachler said. The question will be how Janes rebounds.

Beachler likes his offensive play, but realizes success will depend partly on Janes' ability to rebound.

At the forward spots will be David Jones and Dunn.

Jones will start the season at less than 100 percent. He's still recovering from an off-



Lowell opens its conference schedule against FHC.

season accident where he partially separated his shoulder. The injury hasn't hurt his work ethic. "Dave works hard, he'll be ready," Beachler insures.

Beachler is not only feeling good about where this year's team is at, but where the Lowell basketball program is at and the direction it is heading.

"I feel much more comfortable with the program. I believe we have some good people plugged in at the junior varsity and freshman levels, who are willing to put in the time."

Stepping away from the junior varsity coaching position was Dave Eichberg. This

year he will serve as Beachler's assistant coach.

Filling the JV position will be Tim Antel. Brent Noskey will coach at the freshman level.

Lowell's style of pressing and running will require some depth Beachler believes he can go 9-10 players deep.

Providing in support off the bench will be Torrey Gemmell at the guard and forward positions. Matt Craig will spell relief at the forward spot, as will Joe Minier and Ryan Boersma.

Lowell's coach believes the

league will be much more competitive. "There are no outstanding individual players, but I think there are a number of good squads," Beachler said. "Although by year's end, I think Park could be outstanding."

Lowell's coach likes Northview, Wyoming Park and Forest Hills Central as favorites. He points to East Grand Rapids as the darkhorse.

As for his Red Arrows, "We will definitely be competitive. I think we can be in the upper middle of the O-K White."

Go Red Arrows!

1992-93 LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY BOYS' BASKETBALL ROSTER					
NO.	PLAYER	POSITION	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	GRADE
14	George Ponchaud	G	5'9"	155	11
20	Greg Jannenga	G	5'8"	140	12
22	Chad Dunn	G/F	6'4"	175	12
24	James Manion	G	5'9"	145	12
30	Torrey Gemmell	G/F	6'1"	185	12
32	Leigh Summers	G/F	6'1"	190	12
34	David Jones	F	6'1"	185	12
40	Matt Craig	F	6'1"	170	12
42	Nate Janes	C	6'6"	190	12
44	Joe Minier	F	5'10"	160	11
50	Chuck Mestler	C	6'5"	190	12
52	Ryan Boersma	F	6'3"	150	11

Coach: Phil Beachler
Assistant Coach: Dave Eichberg
Manager: David Brand

all three.

"As a team we're way ahead of the previous two seasons as far as what we've been able to accomplish at this point," Lowell third-year coach, Phil Beachler said.

The Lowell mentor is glad the Arrows are ahead, because the early season tough schedule will demand it.

Five of Lowell's first six games are on the road. Two of those games are against Class A schools (Greenville and Forest Hills Central). It opens conference play against the Rangers with games against Northview and Wyoming

Lowell," Beachler said.

Beyond the commitment and hard work in the off season, the biggest change in the Lowell roster will be in the experience the players bring to the hardwood. Many of the seniors gained plenty of playing experience a year ago.

There are some new faces, Greg Jannenga, Leigh Summers, Joe Minier and Ryan Boersma.

The head of that class in basketball talent is Lowell's Australian connection, exchange student Leigh Summers.

"Leigh is definitely going

GYMNASTICS

Red Arrows aim for good execution and amplitude

Annette Pearson has divided this year's team into two levels of ability.

Those being returning gymnasts who are working on new skills and routines; and the new gymnasts who are working on tumbling skills.

"We have average team ability, but if we can pull off good execution and amplitude we can do alright," Pearson said.

The Red Arrows first match is at home on Jan. 4. Plenty of time for preparation? "Unless you practice gymnastics year

round, there's never enough time," Pearson said.

In her third full year as Lowell's gymnastic coach, Pearson knows there is just one way to upgrade the Lowell program: "We need a Middle School program, either through the school or the YMCA. A Middle School program would improve the Lowell gymnastic level. That way gymnasts would be starting at a higher level when they reach the high school level."

Over the summer, Pearson offered a one night a week

gymnastic program for middle school students. It was used as a way to familiarize the youth with the equipment and to teach basic mechanics.

"Gymnastics is really challenging because, as a coach, you're working with various people, personalities and abilities," Pearson explains.

The captain of the 1992-93 squad will be senior Anna Lietzke. She will perform in three events, the uneven bars, the balance beam and on the vault.

Lesley Murphy, along with Sara Kropf and Amy Pullen, are the team's most advanced gymnasts. "The girls are starting where they left off last season - working on new skills and new routines," Pearson said.

Lowell's coach said the club will be strong on the vault and in the floor exercise. "We have some work to do on the beam and the bars," Pearson said.

Kropf and Pullen will be Lowell's only two all-around performers. Kropf's strength being in the floor exercise and Pullen's strongest exercise is a toss-up between the floor and the vault.

Murphy, a sophomore, is strongest in the floor exercise, but will also contribute on the vault and the balance beam.

Kropf and Pullen lead a pool of juniors. Others include, Betsy Elzinga, who will perform on the uneven bars; Jodi Elenbaas will be an alternate on the vault. Laura Witherell will see time in the floor exercise, on the balance beam and as an alternate on the vault.

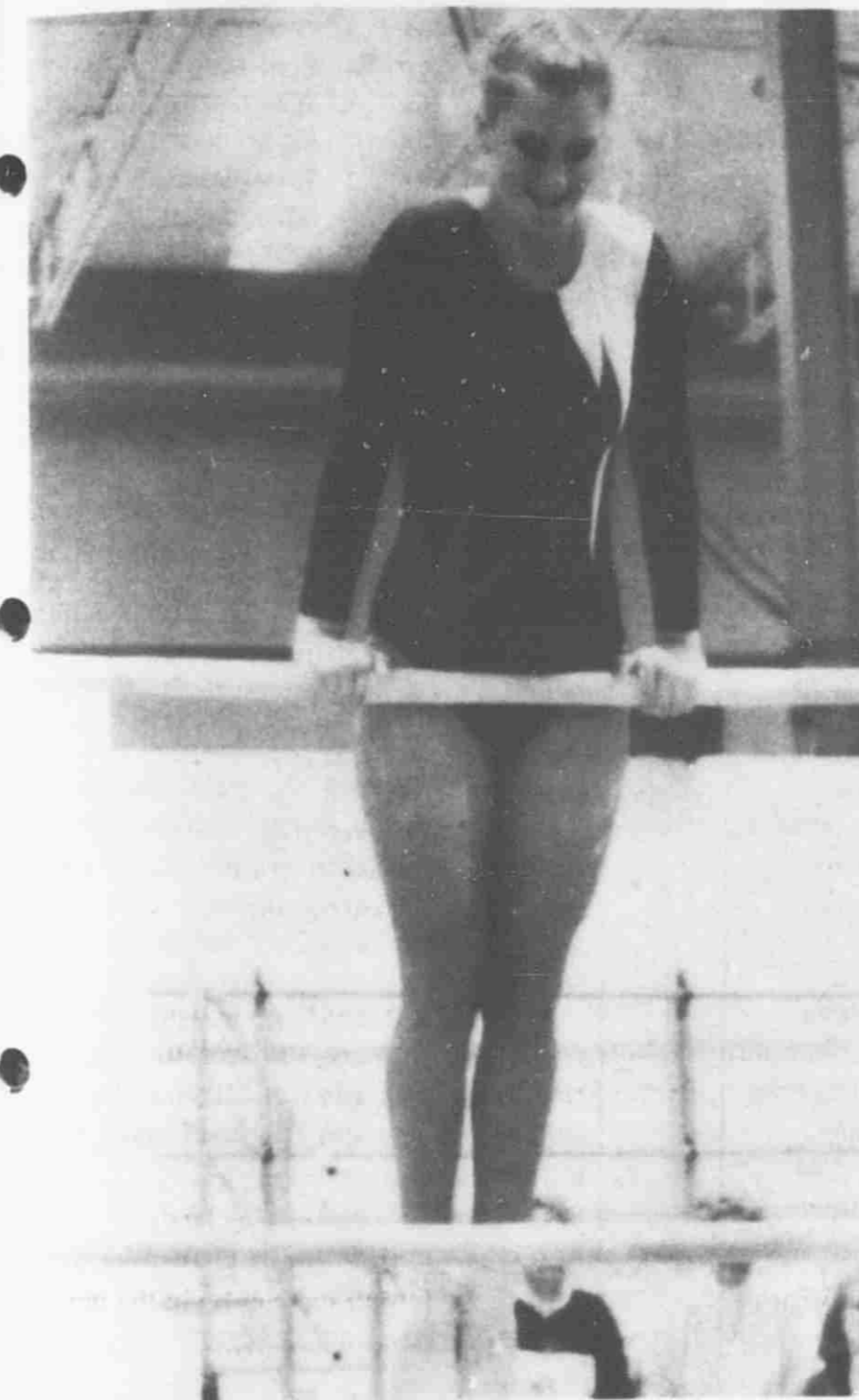
Juniors out for gymnastics for the first time are Brenda Bittrick, Danielle Johnson and Liz Arnold. Pearson says all three have some ability. "I believe they will be able to help the team in the areas of the uneven bars, the balance beam and in the floor exercise."

Pearson welcomes three freshman to this year's squad. They are Jamie Denton, Rachel Brown and Trisha Schmidt.

Brown appears to be the furthest along at this point. "They are all a little green. The girls need to work on their skills," Pearson said.

Although Alicia Benson is a senior, this marks her first year out for gymnastics. Pearson said it will depend on how much Benson wants it, as to how much she helps the team.

Lowell will open its season against Grand Rapids Creston.



Sarah Kropf



Betsy Elzinga

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1992 LOWELL SPORTS SCHEDULE

LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

DEC 26 92 SAT 8:30 A WMOVA INV
JAN 04 93 MON 7:00 H WYOMING PARK
JAN 07 93 THU 5:30 A SARANAC/CS
JAN 21 93 THU 7:00 H SPARTA
JAN 25 93 MON 6:00 A KHGODWIN
JAN 26 93 TUE 7:00 A FH NORTHERN
JAN 26 93 THU 7:00 A EAST GR
FEB 04 93 THU 7:00 H ZEELAND
FEB 06 93 SAT 9:00 A SARANAC TOURNEY
FEB 08 93 MON 6:00 H IONIA/TK
FEB 11 93 THU 7:00 A ROGERS
FEB 13 93 SAT 8:00 A CRESTON INV
FEB 15 93 MON 7:30 A HASTINGS
FEB 18 93 THU 7:00 H FH CENTRAL
FEB 25 93 THU 7:00 A NORTHVIEW
FEB 27 93 SAT 9:00 A CONF (FHC)
MAR 06 93 SAT TBA A DISTRICTS
MAR 13 93 SAT TBA A REGIONALS

COACH: LAURIE KUNA
1ST TEAM LISTED IN AWAY TRIANGULARS IS HOST

LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL JV VOLLEYBALL

DEC 30 92 WED 9:00 A SARANAC INV
JAN 04 93 MON 6:15 H WYOMING PARK
JAN 07 93 THU 5:30 A CS/SARANAC
JAN 21 93 THU 6:15 H SPARTA
JAN 23 93 SAT 9:00 H LOWELL TOURNEY
JAN 25 93 MON 6:00 A GODWIN/KH
JAN 26 93 TUE 6:15 A FH NORTHERN
JAN 26 93 THU 6:15 A ZEELAND
FEB 04 93 THU 6:15 H ZEELAND
FEB 08 93 MON 6:00 A TK/IONIA
FEB 11 93 THU 6:15 A ROGERS
FEB 15 93 MON 6:45 A HASTINGS
FEB 18 93 THU 6:15 H FH CENTRAL
FEB 20 93 SAT 8:00 A WY PARK INV
FEB 25 93 THU 6:15 A NORTHVIEW

COACH: HEATHER KORTZ
1ST TEAM LISTED IN AWAY TRIANGULARS IS HOST

LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMAN VOLLEYBALL

JAN 04 93 MON 5:30 H WYOMING PARK
JAN 09 93 SAT 9:00 H LOWELL TOURNEY
JAN 11 93 MON 7:00 H GREENVILLE
JAN 18 93 MON 5:30 A GR CATHOLIC CENT
JAN 21 93 THU 5:30 H SPARTA
JAN 25 93 MON 6:00 A GODWIN/KENOWA
JAN 26 93 TUE 5:30 A FH NORTHERN
JAN 26 93 THU 5:30 A EAST GR
FEB 01 93 MON 5:00 A BYRON CENTER
FEB 04 93 THU 5:30 H ZEELAND
FEB 11 93 THU 5:30 A ROGERS
FEB 13 93 SAT 8:00 A EGR TOURNEY
FEB 15 93 MON 6:00 A HASTINGS
FEB 18 93 THU 5:30 H FH CENTRAL
FEB 25 93 THU 5:30 A NORTHVIEW

COACH: JACK MORSE

LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

DEC 12 92 SAT 9:00 A LAKEWOOD JV INV
DEC 12 92 SAT 10:30 A BC LAKEVIEW INV
DEC 17 92 THU 7:00 A FH CENTRAL
DEC 19 92 SAT TBA A HEMLOCK INV
DEC 29 92 TUE 10:00 A GRANDVILLE INV
JAN 07 93 THU 7:00 H NORTHVIEW
JAN 09 93 SAT 9:30 A HASTINGS INV
JAN 09 93 SAT 9:30 A GODWINN JV INV
JAN 14 93 THU 5:30 A WYOMING PARK (NO JV)
JAN 16 93 SAT 10:00 H LOWELL INV
JAN 19 93 TUE TBA A CDR SPRINGS QUAD
JAN 21 93 THU 7:00 A SPARTA
JAN 27 93 WED 6:00 A BELDING QUAD
JAN 28 93 THU 7:00 H EAST GR
JAN 30 93 SAT 9:00 A CEDAR SPRINGS
FEB 04 93 THU 7:00 A ZEELAND
FEB 11 93 THU 7:00 H ROGERS
FEB 12 93 FRI TBA A JV TOURNEY (SP)
FEB 13 93 SAT 10:00 A CONF (WP)
FEB 17 93 WED TBA ? TEAM DISTRICT
FEB 20 93 SAT TBA ? IND DISTRICT
FEB 24 93 WED TBA ? TEAM REGIONAL
FEB 27 93 SAT TBA ? IND REGIONAL
MAR 05 93 FRI TBA ? IND FINALS
MAR 12 93 FRI TBA ? TEAM FINALS

COACH: GARY RIVERS
ASST: KYLE GILDEA



VOLLEYBALL



LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL

DEC 08 92 TUE 7:45 A LAKEWOOD
DEC 11 92 FRI 7:45 A GREENVILLE
DEC 15 92 TUE 7:45 A FH CENTRAL
DEC 18 92 FRI 7:45 H NORTHVIEW
JAN 05 93 TUE 7:45 A WYOMING PARK
JAN 08 93 FRI 7:45 A SPARTA
JAN 12 93 TUE 7:45 H CEDAR SPRINGS
JAN 15 93 FRI 7:45 H EAST GR
JAN 22 93 FRI 7:45 A ZEELAND
JAN 26 93 TUE 7:45 H IONIA
JAN 29 93 FRI 7:45 H ROGERS
FEB 02 93 TUE 7:45 H FH CENTRAL
FEB 05 93 FRI 7:45 A NORTHVIEW
FEB 09 93 TUE 7:45 H WYOMING PARK
FEB 12 93 FRI 7:45 H SPARTA
FEB 16 93 TUE 7:45 H CALEDONIA
FEB 19 93 FRI 7:45 A EAST GR
FEB 23 93 TUE 7:45 A FH NORTHERN
FEB 26 93 FRI 7:45 H ZEELAND
MAR 05 93 FRI 7:45 A ROGERS

COACH: PHIL BEACHLER
ASST: DAVE EICHBERG

LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL JV BOYS BASKETBALL

DEC 08 92 TUE 6:00 A LAKEWOOD
DEC 11 92 FRI 6:00 A GREENVILLE
DEC 15 92 TUE 6:00 A FH CENTRAL
DEC 18 92 FRI 6:00 H NORTHVIEW
JAN 05 93 TUE 6:00 A WYOMING PARK
JAN 08 93 FRI 6:00 A SPARTA
JAN 12 93 TUE 6:00 H CEDAR SPRINGS
JAN 15 93 FRI 6:00 H EAST GR
JAN 22 93 FRI 6:00 A ZEELAND
JAN 26 93 TUE 6:00 H IONIA
JAN 29 93 FRI 6:00 H ROGERS
FEB 02 93 TUE 6:00 H FH CENTRAL
FEB 05 93 FRI 6:00 A NORTHVIEW
FEB 09 93 TUE 6:00 H WYOMING PARK
FEB 12 93 FRI 6:00 H SPARTA
FEB 16 93 TUE 6:00 H CALEDONIA
FEB 19 93 FRI 6:00 A EAST GR
FEB 23 93 TUE 6:00 A FH NORTHERN
FEB 26 93 FRI 6:00 H ZEELAND
MAR 05 93 FRI 6:00 A ROGERS

COACH: TIM ANTEL

LOWELL FRESHMAN BOYS BASKETBALL

DEC 08 92 TUE 4:00 A LAKEWOOD
DEC 11 92 FRI 4:00 A GREENVILLE
DEC 15 92 TUE 4:00 A FH CENTRAL
DEC 18 92 FRI 4:00 H NORTHVIEW
JAN 05 93 TUE 4:00 A WYOMING PARK
JAN 08 93 FRI 4:00 A SPARTA
JAN 12 93 TUE 4:00 H CEDAR SPRINGS
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FEB 02 93 TUE 4:00 H FH CENTRAL
FEB 05 93 FRI 4:00 A NORTHVIEW
FEB 09 93 TUE 4:00 H WYOMING PARK
FEB 12 93 FRI 4:00 H SPARTA
FEB 16 93 TUE 4:00 H CALEDONIA
FEB 19 93 FRI 4:00 A EAST GR
FEB 23 93 TUE 4:00 A FH NORTHERN
FEB 26 93 FRI 4:00 H ZEELAND
MAR 05 93 FRI 4:00 A ROGERS

COACH: BRENT NOSKEY

LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASTICS

JAN 04 93 MON 7:00 H GR CRESTON
JAN 06 93 WED 7:00 A MONA SHORES
JAN 09 93 SAT 10:00 A E LANSING INV
JAN 11 93 MON 7:30 H E KENTWOOD
JAN 16 93 SAT TBA A ROCKFORD INV
JAN 20 93 WED 7:00 H ROCKFORD
JAN 27 93 WED 7:00 A EAST GR
JAN 30 93 SAT 10:00 A KH INV
FEB 03 93 WED 7:00 A KENOWA HILLS
FEB 17 93 WED 7:00 H HOLLAND
FEB 20 93 SAT TBA A CONFERENCE
MAR 06 93 SAT TBA A REGIONALS
MAR 12 93 SAT TBA A STATE FINALS

COACH: ANNETTE PEARSON

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Fee for this Christmas workshop is \$10. Call The Arts Center at 897-8545 to enroll. Class size is limited so early enrollment is advised.

BOOK FAIR

The Lowell High School Library Media Center will be hosting a book fair Thursday, Dec. 10 through Tuesday, Dec. 15 at the High School.
Hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The public is invited.

OFF THE BLOTTER

Arrested and taken to the Kent County Jail, Dec. 3, for driving under the influence of alcohol was John Woodhead, 39, of Lowell.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Starting on Monday 12/07/92 for about 8 weeks Lowell Light & Power has contracted Pootenga Tree Service to trim trees in the Southern portion of its service territory. Tree trimmers will be working primarily in the area South of the Grand River, although some selected trimming may occur in other locations. This work is a continuation of a trimming program started several years ago designed to reduce unplanned power outages caused by tree limbs contacting overhead conductors during snow, ice, and wind storms.

Individual property owners will be contacted to obtain their permission to remove and/or trim trees deemed to be a hazard to the electric system.

Betty R. Morlock
Deputy City Clerk

Wilhelmina Grove, 38, of Lowell, was involved in a property damage accident Dec. 3 when she pulled out of a private drive onto Foreman Road into the path of a semi-truck driven by Wilbur Gordon, 44, of Logansport, IN.
Kimberly Shaw, 29, of Lowell was involved in a property damage accident Dec. 5 when she struck a parked pick-up truck near the corner of Avery and Jackson Street belonging to Ronald Zimmerman of Lowell.
Jason Lamontagne, 21, of Saranac lost control of the vehicle he was driving and struck a utility box beside the roadway on West Main near Ridgeview Drive, Dec. 5.
Robert Hemingsen, 78, of Lowell struck the rear of a car driven by Scott Minard, 26, of Saranac, Dec. 5, on Main and South Washington. No one was injured.
Arrested on a warrant issued out of an Ionia County court, Dec. 6, was Harry Carson, 27, of Lowell.
James Brondyk, 29, of Lowell was arrested and taken to the

Kent County Jail, Dec. 6, on charges of spouse abuse and on two traffic warrants issued out of a Grand Rapids court.
Joyce Allen of Lowell reported to Lowell officers that her vehicle was struck by a hit and run driver Dec. 5 while parked in the rear of the 200 block of East Main.
Arrested Dec. 3 on a warrant issued out of New Baltimore, MI for failure to appear in court was Elton Hodges, 65, of Lowell.
There was a house fire on M-21 across from the bowling alley on Dec. 4 about 8:15 a.m.
Arrested on a warrant for failure to appear in court was Roger Rollins, 30, of Lowell on Dec. 2.
Involved in a property damage accident Nov. 27 on Main at Hudson Street was Richard Burns, 35, of Lowell. His vehicle was struck in the rear by a vehicle driven by Ralph Kuiper II, 17, of Lowell.

Area Bonnie Blue Bells participate in fall championship at Lee High School

The Bonnie Blue Bells / Jazz America Fall Championship took place at Lee High School in Wyoming on Saturday, Nov. 14. A number of girls from the Lowell area participated in the event.
Trophies, medals and ribbons were awarded in seven categories.
Jenny Hampton of Lowell took first place in the Best Dress category, first in Personality, second in Ad Lib and third in Dance with Props. She also received a parade trophy and participation trophy.
Becky Raymor, also of Lowell, received a first in Marching, moving her to the advanced division for the remainder of the contest. She then took a first in Dance, second in Dance with Prop and second in Best Dress. She also received trophies for parade and participation.
Brooke Bennett, Lowell, earned a second in Free Form Dance, second in Ad Lib, fourth in Marching and fourth

in Best Dress.
Also participating from Lowell was Amanda Vezino, age three. She participated in Best Dress and received a ribbon and trophy for participation.
Jessica Garber of Lowell, Katreasha Graves of Alto and Cassie Burke also competed in several categories, receiving participation trophies. Garber received a parade trophy as well.
The Bonnie Blue Bells will be performing in a Holiday Happening on Sunday, Dec. 13 at 2 p.m. at the Wyoming Park Auditorium. Admission fee is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.



From left to right: Brooke Bennett, Becky Raymor, Jenny Hampton and Jessica Garber.

Fire, continued...

chicken dinners.
Kerr also volunteered to use the Hardee's Restaurant as a collection point for donated clothing and food items.
The Dockters have a 15-year old boy, and girls ages 13, 11, five, and two.
Through a friend of the family's the Dockters have been offered use of a home in Alto.
Maas also donated furniture to the family.
Laurie Dockters sister-in-law, Ruth Anne Scott said the family is so grateful for the awesome response by the Community of Lowell.
Fire fighters from Lowell, Ada and Alto Fire Departments fought the blaze. They remained there until 3 a.m. Two firefighters remained at the site throughout the early morning, Martin explained.
One Lowell fire fighter was injured after slipping down the steps, jamming a piece of glass through his arm. Martin said the fire fighter was taken to Blodgett Hospital where surgery was required that evening.

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Because February 15th is a legal holiday, the last date to pay taxes without penalty is Tues., Feb. 16th. After the 16th a 3% penalty is added.

Taxes can also be paid by mail. Use the envelope enclosed with your tax bill. For receipt, enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

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Parade pictures, continued



Christensen's impact doesn't end on the field WMOA honors Lowell coach for his heart

When Lowell's football team started the season at 0-4, its coach questioned whether or not he was the best person for the job, not whether he was the best coach for the job. There is a difference, just ask Lowell senior Robert Harrasim. When he was deliberating as to whether he should go out for football for the first time in his senior year, his decision was not based on Phil Christensen the coach, instead it was based on Christensen the teacher, the person.

"Robert's feelings for Christensen as a teacher and a person were instrumental in his decision," Harrasim's father, Norm Borgerson said.

Harrasim, who had never played a down of football in his life, prior to this year, did so through the encouragement of Christensen. The encouragement was not shown in just words, Christensen invited Harrasim to come over and throw some passes with him at his home.

Bob Rodenhouse has been an official for the past 24 years, and a peer of Christensen's for the past 13 years. In his presentation speech he noted how Lowell's coach has taken athletes from broken homes and students who have no home and allowed them to stay at his home for months at a time. "Phil always had the student in mind."

He had the student in mind when he and his wife, Karen took Andre Arnold into their home, at a time when homes in Andre's life were not at a premium.

Harrasim's mother, Judy Straub, hinted at an explanation. "In Robert's case it was the ethics that Coach Christensen sends out. He encourages kids to try."

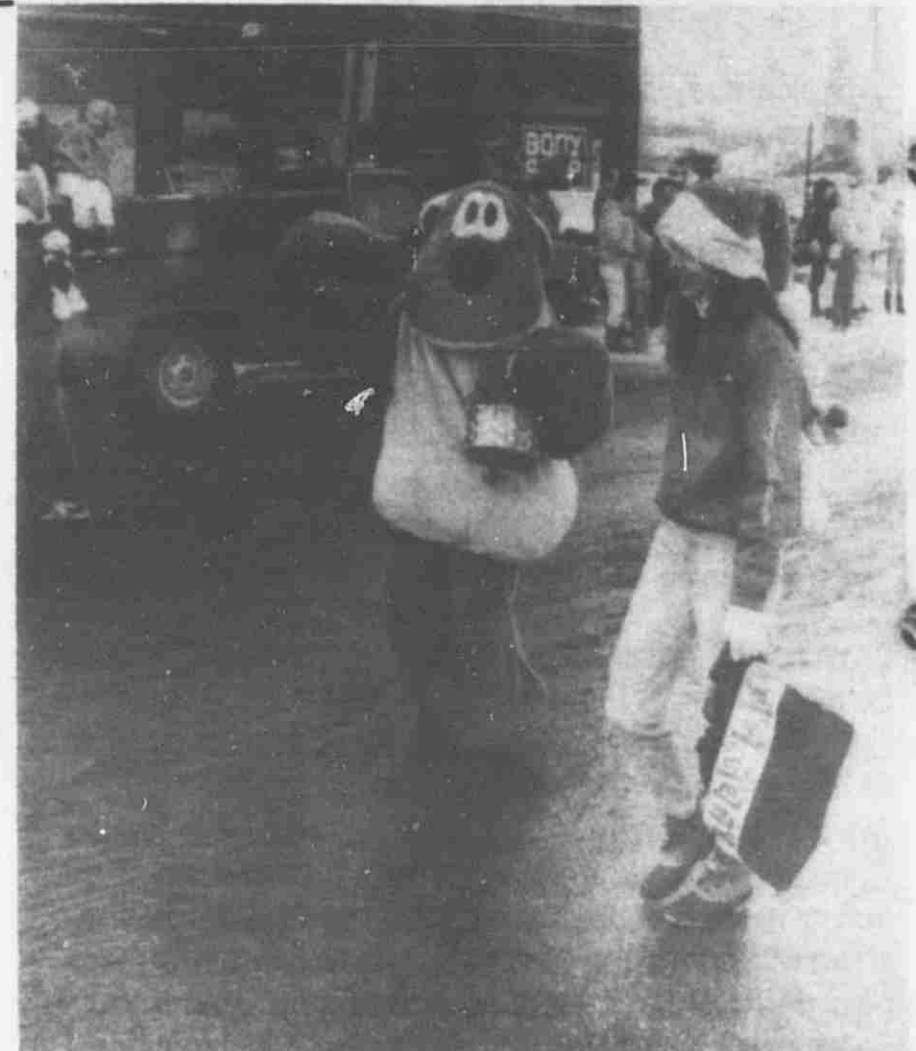
Rodenhouse presented the WMOA "Coach of the Year" award to Christensen, describing him as an impact coach. Christensen's close coaching comrades, friends and former players knew Rodenhouse was talking about much more than football.

That's not to say the Lowell coach hasn't had an impact on the field. He has had 11 players go on to play at the college level and two Lowell players go on to the professional level. In 13 years at Lowell, he has compiled a record of 65-52.

"I respect Phil because he always has kids at heart. He's always doing what's best for kids. He'll do anything for them," Rodenhouse said.

The West Michigan Officials Association's "Coach of the Year" award is based on what a coach has done, what a program stands for, his ability to promote winning in life

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Lowell students take part in NASA seminar

Missy McGuire thought she was writing fiction when she wrote a science paper on people living in a space station.

Then, along with the rest of Rob Stevens' fifth grade class, she watched the NASA Link program through the Integrated Learning System lab set up in Jerry Biernacki's

high school science room. "I wrote in my paper that the people had to strap themselves onto the toilets," McGuire explained. "I didn't realize they really had to do that."

With the cooperation of Lowell Cable (moving the satellite), Stevens' Class and the rest of the Lowell Community

was able to pick up the NASA Link signal on Channel 30, pre-empting PASS.

This NASA seminar that took place at Troy High School, allowed students from around the country to ask questions of space experts.

Through the Integrated Learning System lab hookup, Stevens' fifth-grader, Derrick

Harmon was able to ask a question of the panel on Thursday. Harmon's question was, how would the dome be built in space?

McGuire, Stefanie Hafui, Jacob Sparks and Callie Boyce were selected to go with Stevens to Troy High School on Saturday. They were selected because of the fine jobs they did on space stories.

space program," Stevens said. While in Troy, Stevens and his four students attended four seminars, have lunch with people from NASA, and participate in experiments.

"This type of program helps provide young students with a purpose in science at an early age," Stevens said. "I don't think this has been neglected in years past, instead it is another opportunity."

Christensen, cont'd...

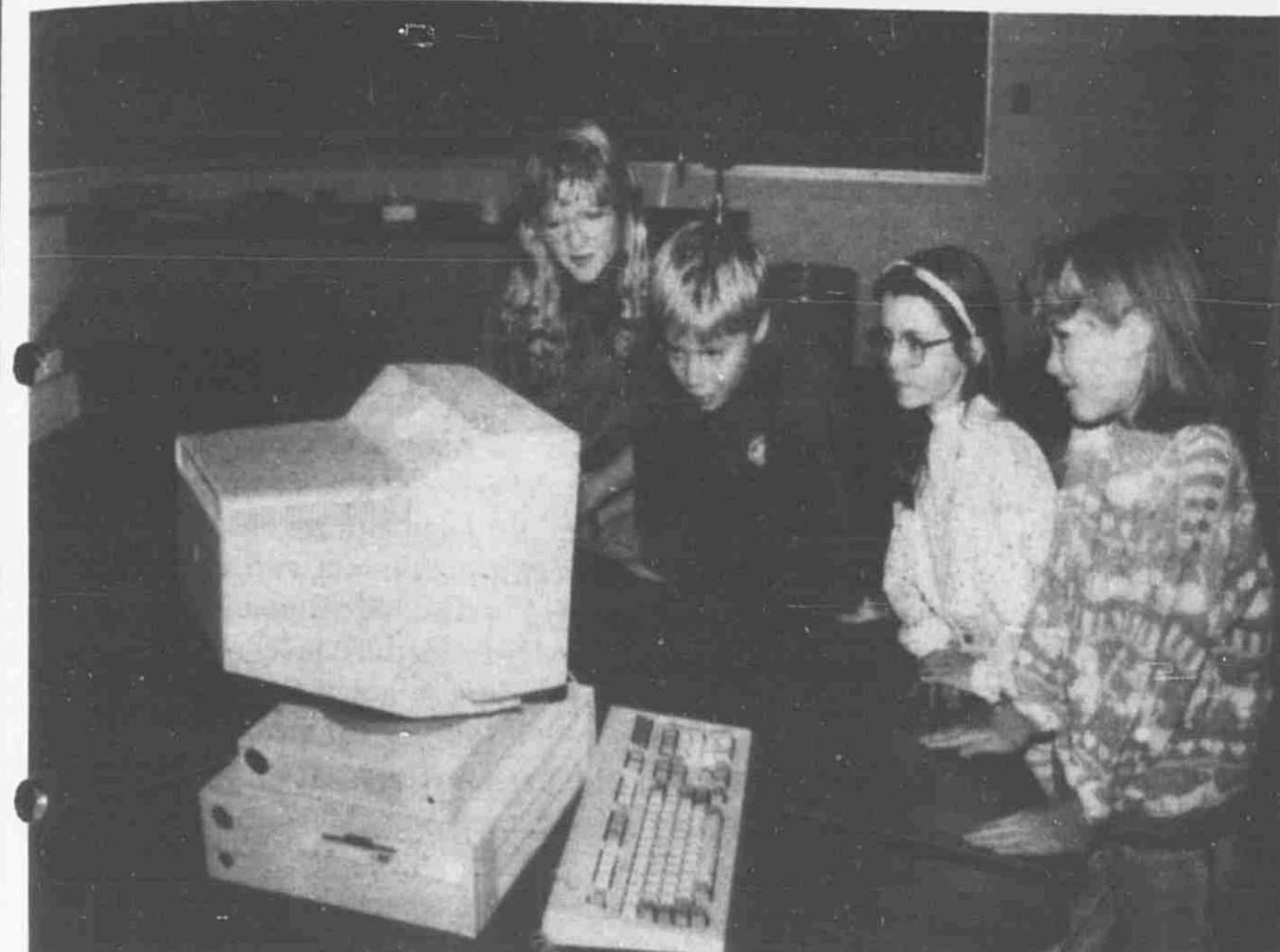
after the game, longevity and competitiveness.

"It's often misused but the lessons of life learned in athletics go far beyond winning and losing," Christensen said.

With great emotion he credits his father for his ideals and ethics. "He talked to me about whether we won or lost a game, he always asked if I gave my best effort and if I practiced hard. I didn't realize the value of that until I started coaching."




Christensen believes that the values and ideals he talks about, those passed on to him by his father, will have an everlasting effect on athletes' lives.

So one then understands why he cherishes letters he receives from past players. The letters talk of how their experience of playing Lowell football has helped them in life.



Rob Stevens' fifth grade students gather around the computer to watch "Nasa Link."

One man with courage makes a majority.
—Andrew Jackson

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Last Week's Record	8-2	7-3	8-2
'92 Overall Record	78-60-2/.564	89-49-2/.643	90-48-2/..650

CORRECTION AND ADDITION FOR: LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP NOTICE - SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES FROM REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 23, 1992, AS IT APPEARED IN THE LEDGER OF 12/2/92.

CORRECTION:
Under Business Conducted: Moved to approve the PUD/Site Condo Ordinance; should read: Moved to accept for public hearing the PUD/Site Condo Ordinance.

ADDITION:
Approved bills totaling: General Fund, \$20,989.89; Sewer Fund, \$5,758.05.

CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING OF BOARD OF REVIEW

The Lowell City Board of Review will meet to correct the various Assessment Rolls for 1992 at City Hall, 301 East Main Street, Lowell, Michigan on:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1992, 10:00 - 11:00 A.M.

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Resolution approved for summer tax collection

A resolution maintaining the current policy for summer taxes was approved by the City of Lowell. The Lowell Board of Education requested that the City collect the school's property taxes at no fee, but keep the interest in bank deposits before distributing the monies to the School. The interest will cover the minimal amount of extra work to perform this task.

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Lions Club donates \$300 to fire Department

Mark Lessens, Lowell Lions Club, presents Polly McCaul with a check for \$300 to go toward the purchase of a CPR mannequin. The mannequins cost \$3,000 each. Lowell Fire Chief Frank Martin said with other donations from the Community Fund and the Gurney Hahn Family, just a \$1,000 is needed before a purchase can be made. The mannequins will be used for in-house training and department and community educational programs. Pictured above, left to right, are Martin, McCaul (EMS Training Coordinator), Lessens, and Tony McCaul, EMS Training Coordinator.

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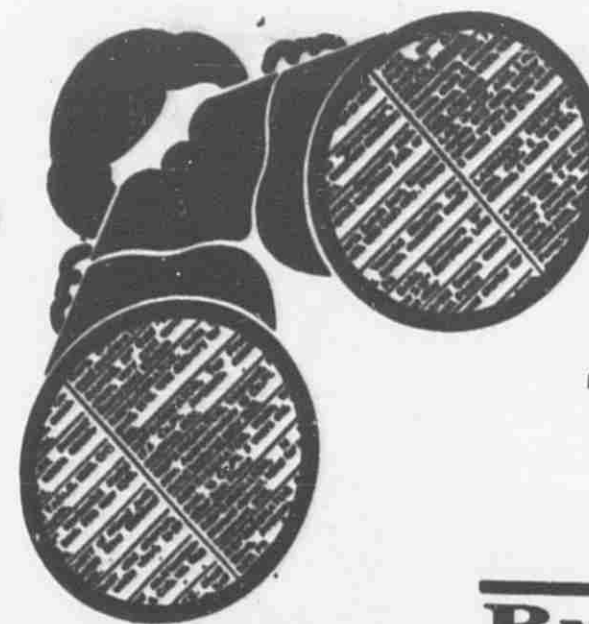
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WE WISH TO THANK - all our friends and relatives for all their kind thoughts and deeds, the beautiful flowers and food, at the time of our mother/grandmother's passing. Also Larry Able for his fine services, Dr. Evenhouse and Rothgersts. Bless You All, The Family of Rosie DeLoof.

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY - who sent flowers, cards, gifts, food, best wishes, prayers, and words of encouragement during Berwyn's recent stay in the hospital and his recovery at home - a big Thank You! We really appreciate your many acts of kindness and concern. A special thanks to all the folks at Fairchilds; you have been great throughout this time. Berwyn & Shirley Kloosterman & Family.

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LMS Students of the Month

The Lowell Middle School Students-of-the-Month are, (front) from left to right: Shannon Finnegan, sixth-grade; Willow Schumaker, sixth-grade; Mike Befus, seventh-grade; Rachael Fredline, sixth-grade; (back) left to right: Chad Gallagher, seventh-grade; Hollie Smith, eighth-grade; Brian Willmarth, eighth-grade; Jessica Winsor, seventh-grade.



TOWN TALK

Should rape victims 21 years and older have a six-year statute of limitations on reporting a rape offense?



Char Hardy

No. The victim is usually so traumatized that it takes time to come forward. The victim should have the option to come forward anytime they want.



Malinda Converse

Yes, there should be a statute of limitations. Taking 20 years to come forward with something is a long time.



Liz VanStrien

I think six years is adequate. It takes time to resolve something as traumatic as rape. If the woman has no support system it's more comfortable just not to think about it. Without support, six years may not be long enough.



Diane Gamache

No, the victim should be able to go back at any time. A crime is a crime whether it's been five or 10 years. If there is enough evidence to convict someone, then I say yes.



Kenny Wittenbach

Yes, there should be a statute of limitations for all involved.



Shannon Converse

No. If a victim can tell then, they should be able to tell now. I understand it is difficult, but after a point (six years), it's been long enough.



Allen Miller

Victims should have as long as they need. It's difficult to come forward.



Nancy Wood

There should never be statute of limitations on sexual assault crimes. There is a stigma that goes with that and it is always a stigma on the victim. It takes that long some times.

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