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School district and MEA reach two-year agreement

Contract calls for a 2.75 percent increase in the first year, and a wage re-opener in year two

By Thad Kraus

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Lowell Ledger Editor

Negotiations between the Lowell School District and the Lowell Education Association came to a conclusion Monday night as the a two-year agreement was ratified.

The agreement, which was approved by the Kent County Education Association, calls for a 2.75 salary increase for the 1993-94 school year only. There will be a wage reopener in the second year of the contract.

The teacher agreement also calls for a change in medical insurance which will reduce the two-year agreement and is equal to a savings of 2.3 to 2.8 percent of association wages over the life of the contract.

"This concession by the Association, at a time when health care costs are increasing dramatically, represents their interest in helping the district to reduce costs," Quada said.

Currently under the health plan, it cost \$446 for a full family (married with children) and less for married with no children and single employees. This is separate from dental coverage and long term disability. The agreement will reduce health care premiums by \$45 per month, per employee. Gary Kemp and Dick Korb represented the school district in the negotiations. "It was a cooperative effort in problem solving which had the best interest of kids and

community in mind," Korb said.

LEA President, Tim Hawkins, said he felt both sides proceeded in good faith. "We knew there were problems and both sides worked together for the good of the district.

The agreement went a long way in helping to bring back the six-hour day, while it did not necessarily meet the standards of what the KCEA would have liked.

"The 2.75 salary increase represents the lowest in Kent County," Hawkins said.

Kemp added that many schools are not showing what

Alcohol may have played a role in M-21 accident

Wyoming man held over for observation at Butterworth; accident still under investigation



Lowell Education the Association's health-care benefits from the level II to a level

Lowell Board of Education President Ray Quada said the reduction has an immediate savings to the school district of \$160,000 to \$200,000 over

they are actually paying. "They are showing one number and paying another," he said.

Other minor language changes in the contract will include early retirement incentives and adjustments in Agreement cont'd., pg. 8

The driver of this car incurred injuries in a three -car accident on Thursday in front of Plumb's. The accident is still under investigation. Lowell Police Officer James Hinton said he believes alcohol may have been a factor. According to the police report, Richard Larabel, 34, Wyoming, was held for observation at Butterworth Hospital after the car he was driving struck a semi truck driven by Howard Coles, 32, of Belding. Larabel then lost control of his car and skidded into the path of oncoming traffic and was struck by a vehicle driven by Farley McCaul, 31, of Saranac. McCaul incurred minor injuries. On impact of the second collision, Larabel was thrown from his vehicle and onto the pavement. He was not wearing a seatbelt according to the police report.

long Main Street

COPIES OF ENGLER'S SCHOOL REFORM PLAN AVAILABLE

If you are interested in reading Gov. Engler's School Reform Plan, there will be copies available in each school building. Please call any school office and sign up to check out one of the copies.

Neighbors Who Care feel it's important that you know about the entire plan.

LCTK ARTS AND CRAFTS BAZAAR

The annual Lowell Caledonia Thornapple Kellogg Community Ed arts and crafts bazaar will be held in the Lowell Middle School, Saturday, Nov. 20 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

AUDITIONS FOR THE LAAC ANNUAL WINTER PLAY

Scripts are in for the Lowell Area Arts Council's annual winter play. This year's play, Thornton Wilder's timeless classic, "Our Town," calls for seven women, ages 16 and up and 15 men, ages 11 and up.

For more information call 897-8545.

NEW LIBRARY HOURS

Starting Nov. 15, there will be new hours at the Lowell Library.

The new hours are Monday and Wednesday from 12 to 8 p.m.; Friday, 9 to 5 p.m. and Saturday, 9 to 2 p.m.

BUSHNELL SCHOOL BOOK FAIR

The Bushnell School Book Fair will be held Nov. 17, 18, and 19 from 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The school is located at 700 Elizabeth Street, Lowell. Along Main St., cont'd., pg. 8

"Drug Free Schools" survey shows students do not perceive drugs/alcohol as immediate threat

By Thad Kraus

Lowell Ledger Editor

A survey completed by Lowell's"Drug Free Schools" program shows students are in need of avenues to attain help for their alcohol or drug problem.

The results of a survey of Lowell eighth and 10th grade students show that at-risk students looking for help, seek advice of friends 61.9 percent of the time and of family members 41.7 percent of the time.

Lowell's Sue Burt and Karen Latva presented the findings to the Lowell Board of Education Monday night.

"Through Kent County Mental Health a program will be set up to provide at-risk students with a place to go for help with their problem," Burt said.

Training will be provided in January for school officials so that they too can help atrisk students.

The poll showed that 50 percent of the eighth and 10thgraders were not totally aware

of the health and legal ramifications that could happen to them if they use drugs and alcohol.

"It's not so much that they are not aware, as it is they do not perceive it as a threat to themselves," Latva said.

Of the students polled, 22 percent said they used tobacco within the last 30 days and 34 percent said they used alcohol within the last 30 days.

Of the "A and B" students, 54 percent said they never tried smoking; 20 percent of the "D and E" students said

they never tried smoking.

The top three places where students used alcohol were at a friend's home, a party, and their own home.

The easiest drugs to obtain, according to the survey, were tobacco, alcohol, marijuana and amphetamines.

It also showed pressure played a role in the use of the drugs. Those who said they did not feel pressure to use drugs or alcohol totaled 58 percent. However, 41 percent said they felt pressure to use Survey cont'd., pg. 8

Lowell Township looking for alternative funding for Kent County Library System

By Marc Popiolek Contributing Writer

Responding to a letter by the Kent County Library system, the Lowell Township board is scrambling to find a way to keep the library going in 1994.

The letter from the library board stated it would not freeze the payment for the 1994 year at the 1993 rate as requested by the board.

The township board informed the library board several months ago that it would not pay any more than \$23,109 for the 1994 year. This came in response to the library board stating Lowell would have to pay \$30,025 for 1994.

The township board will look to find funding for the 1994 year through alternative means. Those alternative means could include moving into a district system or having homes with library cards pay a \$70 fee.

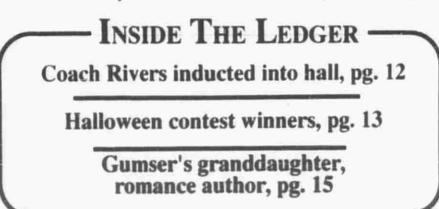
The district system is suggested by the library board

and supported by some of the Lowell board members, but Township Clerk Carol Wells doesn't like the idea of a district system.

"A district system would

just add one more tax to the community. I think the library should tighten its belt and operate at its current level," said Wells.

Library cont'd., pg. 8





OBITUARIES

BOUWENS - Mr. Frank GASPER - Theodore Gasper Bouwens, aged 72, of Alto, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 2. 1993 at Butterworth Hospital. He is survived by his wife. Eunice; his daughter and son-in-law, Mary and Stephen Antecki of Caledonia; his son, Frank A. of Alto; his granddaughter, Maria and grandson, Steven; his mother, Grace Bouwens of Alto; his brother, Seymour(Carol) Bouwens of Freeport; his sisters, Ruth Hollinshead of Alto, Jean (Chris) Fahrni of Clarksville, Verne (Kenneth) Goff of Lowell; his mother-in-law, Ila Rogers of Caledonia; his sisters-in-law and brothers-inlaw, Phyllis Rogers, Vern and Rita Deleeuw, Ronald and Rosalie Shook, Darwin and Patty Rogers, Bruce and Joy Rogers, all of Caledonia, Jack and Shirley Janose of Middleville, Karl and Sally Biggs of FL, Joyce Rogers of AZ, Patrick and Marlene Rogers of CA, several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. Funeral Services were held Friday at the Caledonia Funeral Chapel with Pastor Mark Beers officiating. Interment Bowne Center Cemetery.

of rural Belding passed away at Cumberland Village Tuesday morning, November 9, 1993. Visitation will be at Johnson Funeral Home, Belding, MI. Funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. at St. Mary's, Miriam, Friday, Nov. 12.

RIESBERG - Mrs. Ruth R. Riesberg, aged 78, of Grand Eisentrager; sophomore, Rapids, passed away Monday, Scott Smith and freshman, November 1, 1993. She is sur- Kendra Akers. vived by her husband, Allen Riesberg; herchildren, Phyllis Steve and Peggy Idema of and Clifford DesJarden, Mary Lowell. She has been a mem-Ellen Orr, Donna and Charles ber of the International Club Malott. She was preceded in retary in her junior year. She death by a daughter, Alberta traveled to France with other and Julie Matton; 17 grand- major in International Studchildren; 28 great-grandchil- ies or Education at the Unidren; six great great-grand- versity of Michigan where she children; her sisters, Phoebe has been accepted for next Combs, Bernice McColley, year. Idema is also a member Dorothy Blanchard; and sev- of the National Honor Socieral nieces and nephews. Mrs. ety, serving as treasurer this Riesberg was a member and year; the Lowell Art Club sepast president of the Fraternal nior class representative; the Order of Eagles 301 Auxil- Yearbook staff senior section iary. Funeral and committal services were held Thursday Rotary; Close-up; and Lowell

Park.

viving are his wife, Adriana of Wyoming, passed away Caledonia, Donald (Vicki)

the funeral chapel. Inter- Saturday, Nov. 6, 1993 at Stonehouse of Kenosha, WI, Funeral services were held on ment in Rosedale Memorial Lowell Medical Center. Sur- Rick (Pam) Stonehouse of Tuesday with Rev. Robert Jamestown; 16 grandchildren; Baird officiating. Interment (Raterink); his children, 11 great grandchildren; one Jamestown Cemetery, STONEHOUSE - Mr. Ken- Sharon Jenkins of Wyoming, brother, Carroll (Ruth) neth L. Stonehouse, aged 80, Diane (Bill) Bierema of Stonehouse of Grand Rapids.

Lowell High School recognizes its **November Students-of-the-Month** Four Lowell High School

students have been named the November Students-of-the-Month. They are senior, Jennifer Idema; junior, Brandon

Idema is the daughter of McClain, William and Sheila for four years, serving as sec-Orr. Also surviving are her students on one of the LHS step daughters, Paula Gouna European trips. She hopes to editor; the Young Democrats; Ski Club. She was on the tennis team for three years and



Kendra Akers; senior, Jennifer Idema, junior, Brandon Eisentrager and sophomore, Scott Smith.

in her sophomore year.

Outside of school, Idema is an executive officer of the Y Leader's Club and a member of the Lowell Area Arts Harmony House in Grand are physics and psychology. Idema's teacher nominator describes her as a student who is highly motivated and eager to do well. Evidence of her academic achievement includes being on the honor roll since beginning high school and being a year-end academic honoree for the past

earned a scholar-athlete award Dean and Helen Eisentrager sition. of Lowell. Basketball is one of his favorite activities. Be- and Jeanne Smith of Lowell. sides being on the team each He also divides his time beyear since beginning high tween academics and sports, school, he enjoys playing bas- keeping a spot on the honor Council. She is employed at ketball at any time. roll reserved while he plays Eisentrager has also played varsity golf, JV basketball. Rapids. Her favorite classes football in his freshman and and JV baseball. He enjoys sophomore years and was on golfing on the weekends and the track team during his playing basketball with his freshman year. Outside of friends. Smith has distinschool he is a cook at Hardees. guished himself in the classroom. Teacher nominators He hopes to keep his grades speak of the quality of his up all year even when he will work and his good attitude be putting extra time in on the towards school. While leadteam during basketball seaing the golf team in average son. His teacher nominator is this fall. Smith was also an impressed with his hard work academic leader in several of in the classroom, adding that his classes. He lists his favorshe enjoys his pleasant dispoite classes as advanced algebra and biology.

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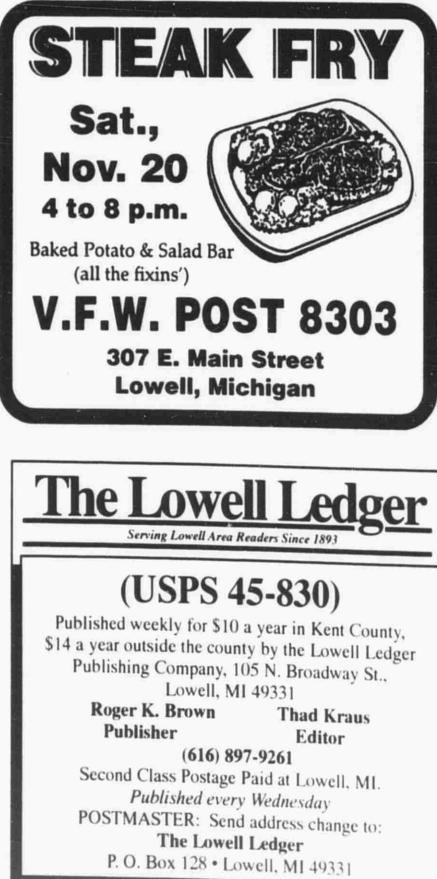
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two years. Eisentrager is the son of



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Akers is the daughter of Ken and Kathy Akers of Lowell. In her first quarter of high school, she has chosen math and English as her favorite classes. Her teacher nominator describes her as a hard-working student who goes beyond what is expected of her. Her hard work each and every day make her a role model for her classmates. member of the 4-H Club and

of-the-Month. These students uphold the pride and respect which is the motto of the school. The community is asked to extend these four young people congratulations.

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Shores, first woman elected to Council since 1967

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

City voters at the Special Congressional Primary and City General Election elected a woman onto the Lowell City Council for the first time in 26 years.

The last woman to serve on the City Council was Virginia Myers, who served from 1965

4 YEAR TERMS

4 YEAR TERMS

2 YEAR TERMS

Jeanne

Shores

Jim

Hodges

James

Maatman

Chuck

Myers

through 1967.

The last woman to run for a council seat was Helen of the City's 2,400 registered Thompson in 1984

Not only did Lowell's Jeanne Shores get elected onto ber of votes," Shores said. "I the Council, but she also guess I felt the guys sounded earned highest number of more qualified and their files votes.

voters who made their way to years on the Lowell Planning a four year-seat.

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the polls on Nov. 2. However, only 25 percent resident of Lowell.

voters took time to vote. "I'm surprised by the num-

sounded better."

427

348

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PRECINCT 2 TOTALS

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Commission and is a lifelong

"I think people knew me and wanted a change. I think being a woman probably helped a little bit," Shores said. Shores earned 427 votes and one of two-four year seats. Shores got the vote of 72 Her modesty does not hide Jim Hodges was second in percent of the 590 registered the fact that she spent 12 voting. He got 348 votes and

Earning the two-year seat was Mayor James Maatman with 335 votes. Missing a seat on the Lowell City Council by just 21 votes was Chuck Myers.

"Lowell has been good to Hodges, Maatman and Myers. me and I wanted to give something back to the Community," Shores explained as to why a lot of the women votes."

facing the City, Shores said Council. I hope it encourages she believes the downtown area and traffic need to addressed and soon.

Township's first settler's focal point of Bowne Museum

By Marc Popiolek Contributing Writer

ing what the area was like in of the new museum were held donations or loans for the future. days gone by, now can revisit and an arts and crafts area collection. the era at Bowne Township's demonstrating woodworking, new museum.

The two-story, two-room designs was arranged. museum was first built in 1909 meals and community fund gathering." raisers.

Historical Society requested the historical society. The first the township for \$47,000 from building to be preserved was its Federal Community De- the old township hall facing velopment Block Grant Fund Alden Nash. That building to continue the restoration of now serves as a meeting place. the museum. After facing an \$11,000 overrun the hall was the Ladies Aid Hall, was reabout 500.

of the first settlers in the tures, household items, baby community.

Lowell residents wonder- dedicating the building, tours society would welcome more may offer regular hours in the like to do something with the Township hall on Wednesdays weaving, pillow case and doll

Bowne Township Hisat a cost of \$900 by a mis- torical Society President Linda sionary group of women who Sinclair said "it was a nice, assisted area farmers with hot relaxed, friendly community

The museum is the sec-The Bowne Township ond building to be restored by

> The museum, known as with the use of old photos and

Local band, Eruption, wins "Battle of the Bands"

Eruption, the Lowell area based rock band, faced some stiff competition, but came home a winner in the Grand Rapids "Battle of the Bands" at Martini's night club.

Brandon Triplett, drummer of Eruption, summed it up best by saying, "This was an unexpected surprise. You always go in thinking positive thoughts, but there's a lot of good bands out there, so it's

The competition was Larkin's, "The Other Place." riety of music, from the music store and radio station Judging was based on a variety of things, from crowd reaction to attitudes of the band members.

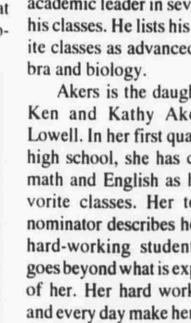
According to Sinclair the

Eruption members said they were thankful for the support they received from their

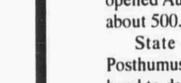
Myers and Triplett said Eruption will continue to work







Outside of school, Akers is a enjoys collecting porcelain dolls and clowns . The faculty and staff at Lowell High School are proud of the November Students-



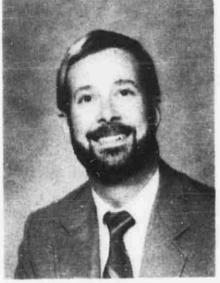


Jeanne Shores

Hodges said he wasn't surprised by the closeness of the vote. Just 34 votes separated

"I knew it would be close and I knew Jeanne would get ran for a City Council seat. Hodges said. "I think it's good As to immediate concerns that there's a woman on the others to become involved."

Shores will begin her fouryear term in January.



Jim Hodges



James Maatman

The historical society museum is not the last restora-In addition to Posthumus equipment from the era. The on a special request basis but She said the society would old schoolhouse next.

Citizens wishing to set up furniture, quilts and office plans to open the museum first tion project for the society. a tour or would like to join the society can call the Bowne and Fridays at 868-6846.

two bands there will be a va- and their original music.

sponsored by a Grand Rapids They will be performing with Allman Brothers blues to Mass Quantities. Between the Guns 'n Roses and Metallica

> * * * Let us permit nature to have her way; she understands her business better than we do. -Michel de Montaigne

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Lord . . . (Psalm 121:2).

plaining how to work carry over addition problems. "Let's take this problem," he said, "-thirty-six and twentythe next column.

But one of the youngsters who hailed from the deep Southland just couldn't understand.

carry the one," the teacher said over and over.

on. Finally, a classmate sit- Amen. ting close by leaned over and itover." Immediately, the light How kind His precepts are! dawned.

The song tells us to take the Lord, our burdens to the Lord and leave them there. Too often we fail to heed the poet's ad-

My help cometh from the vice. We struggle with our troubles until we are worn out, when all the time the Lord A math teacher was ex- is waiting to carry them for US.

Once we have cast our troubles upon the Lord, Christians, and learned the lesson eight. Six and eight are four- of trusting Him, we find (conteen. Put the four down here trary to the principles of addiand carry the one to the top of tion) that it is unnecessary to "tote them over" from day to day. In fact, we do not have to "carry them" at all.

Prayer: O Lord, my help cometh from Thee. I do not "Put down the four and have to "tote" my problems from day to day. In fact, I do not have to "carry them" at Still the boy did not catch all. for I am trusting Thy care.

whispered, "Tote it over. Tote How gentle God's commands! Come, cast your burdens on And trust His constant care.

PHILIP DODDRIDGE



Alto Lion Club members are, from left to right: Walter Wingeier, Dale Johnson, Earl Posthumus, president and Martin DeVries.

Alto Lion's Club inducts new members

Alto Lions Club inducted two new members, Walter International Comradeship of Wingeier and Martin DeVries. the Lions organization. There Zone Chairman, Earl will be 16 Lions from Posthumus, was present to Drumbo, Ontario, Canada swear them in.

Susan Chmsynsky spoke to meeting in Turkeyville USA the group and showed slides (Marshall), for dinner of her recent trip to Russia and Poland.

Nov. 11: Mike Roudabush, Tom Roudabush, Shelley Burkett, Kelly Eldridge, Terry Harris, Ruth Kosnik, N. Steve Kelley, Zachary Ligman. Nov. 12: James Zywicki, Dan Wingeier, Jr., Stan Ralys, Mike Mankel, Steven Burrows, Karen (Ruby) Baker, Margaret Koewers. Nov. 13: Steve E. Snow, Gene

Pawloski.

Nov. 14: David Durkee, Pam Sterzick, Kris Clore, Vince Videan, Craig Fonger.

Nov. 15: Bill Nagy, David Nov. 17: Tammie Knottnerus, Scott MacNaughton, Marian Hildenbrand, Rick Denkema, Patti Sandy, Mary Schutts, Reintges, Cory Dubridge. Tricia J. Frey, Beth Stouffer, Jane Hawkins, Mary Ford, Arie Leeman.

Nov. 16: Jerold King, Duke Burdette, Mary Lou Cook, Kim Van Weelden, Dean Collins, Terri Nausieda, Alice Baut.

visiting the Club Nov. 22,

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Lowell's Grieser and Hildenbrand to serve as delegates to 66th National FFA Convention

Two local FFA members pected to attend this year' will help to decide the future event. The opening night fesdirection of the National FFA tivities on Wednesday, Nov Organization when the 10, will include an inspiraworld's largest annual youth tional performance by convention is held this No- Grammy award winner Lee vember. Dave Hildenbrand Greenwood. and Randy Grieser, both 19, President and Vice President respectfully of the Michigan 1993 convention. The theme FFA association will represent the state as official del- derlying purpose of developegates to the 66th National FFA Convention Nov. 10-13

in Kansas City, MO. Hildenbrand and Grieser will join 475 state FFA officers who will conduct the busi- paring for leadership and caness of the National FFA Or- reers in the science, business ganization during special ses- and technology of agriculture sions for the convention. The organization has 7,545 Hildenbrand, a sophomore at local chapters located Michigan State University throughout the United States, and Grieser, a freshman at Puerto Rico, Guam and the Lansing Community College Virgin Islands. are both members of the Lowell FFA Chapter.

More than 29,000 FFA members and guests are ex-

LCTK holds 6th annual bazaar

The sixth annual Lowell, items. A raffle is being held Kellogg(LCTK)Community quilts, a \$50 Meijer gift cer-Education arts and crafts ba-Middle School on Saturday, Nov. 20 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

served for crafters from as far away as Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

With free parking on the Caledonia and Thornappleeast side of the school and Kellogg Senior Citizen profree admission, shoppers will grams. find a unique array of gift

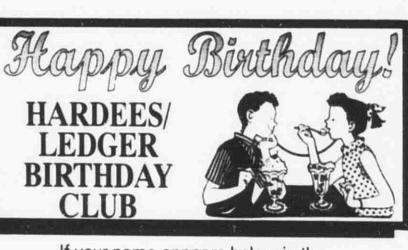
Caledonia, Thornapple- with prizes of two hand-made tificate, and a portable stereo zaar will be held in the Lowell Raffle tickets are two for \$1 and may be purchased all day at the bazaar. Cinnamon rolls and coffee will be sold and a There will be 80 tables re- tasty lunch will be available.

All profits from the bazaar will go to the Lowell.

The education of a man is never completed until he dies. -Robert E. Lee

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Third annual food drive for homeless scheduled

"FFA - Leadership for

America" is the theme for the

reflects the organization's un-

ing enthusiastic and highly

skilled leaders for America

and the agricultural industry

FFA is a national organiza-

tion of 417,462 members pre-

The plight of local homeless will be eased this holiday season through the joint ef forts of the Ada Business Association (ABA) and Ada school children. The ABA and students and families of Ada Elementary, Thornapple Elementary, and Ada Christian Elementary Schools are organizing their third major food drive for the homeless and needy in our community. School children and other donors will bring food to col-

lection areas at their schools from Nov. 1 through 15. (Individuals without children are encouraged to participate by bringing a food contribution to any of the three schools.) ABA members will deliver

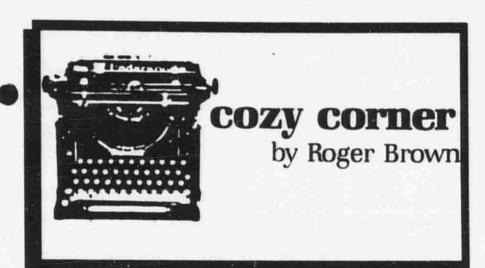
the food to Baxter Community Center with the help of an Amway Corp. truck the morning of Monday, Nov. 15.

"We hope these young children will learn the benefits of giving to other people who need help," said Steve Haarman, ABA Food Drive chairman. "Last year the food drive collected almost two and a half tons of food. This year

interested in assisting the effort can contact Steve Haarman at 676-2177 or 676-1816.

* * * The secret of education is respecting the pupil. -Ralph Waldo Emerson

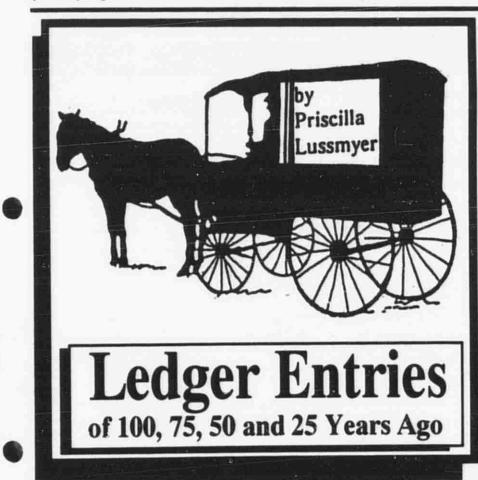
* * * make a good listener.



How about a movie review this week? Hey, Gene Shallit, Siskell & Ebert, John Douglas and a host of others across the nation make a living doing movie reviews for newspapers, TV and magazines. The bottom line to any review is that it's only that person's opinion. Of course, we all know what they say about opinions. You know ... "Opinions are like belly buttons. Everybody has one.". At least that's the "suitable for publication in a family newspaper" version of what they say about opinions.

You may wonder about my credentials as a movie reviewer. You'll be happy to know that my all-time favorite movie was not "Smokey and The Bandit". In fact, I don't care much for that movie. Even if I have seen it about 23 times. To give you an idea of what I like in a movie, I'll list some of my favorites: "Gone With the Wind", "The Blues Brothers", "The African Queen", "Airplane", "Dr. Zhivago" (oh boy, I worry about that spelling), "Caddyshack", "The Graduate", "The Jerk", etc. You might deduce from that list that my taste in movies runs from really good to really bad. Not so. I like really good movies and I like really bad movies. None of that in between stuff.

"Gettysburg" was almost bad enough to rank in my list of favorites, but not quite. Tom Berringer did a credible job of portraying Confederate General James Longstreet, but his



100 YEARS AGO IN THE JOURNAL - NOV. 8, 1893 A 13 foot vein of natural stove polish (zinc sulfate) is found near Fort Dodge, IA.

With only two policemen on hand, Ann Arbor windows are broken, trolleys rotten egged and possessions fed to a large bonfire by a large crowd of students celebrating Halloween, with only four arrests.

A burglar, turning keys in locks with nippers, enters three Lowell homes, but gets only a watch.

The Morse Lake correspondent relates (with straight face?) the story of two Grand Rapids hunters who "were successful, exploded most of their shells, tramped the woods faithfully and counted up two red squirrels, one woodpecker and one bluejay.

The new administration (Cleveland) asserts that the old administration (Harrison) overthrew Queen Liliuokalani of Hawaii unjustly, and restores her to the throne.

75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - NOV. 7, 1918

The deaths of five Lowell and Alto soldiers, two in battle and three from illness, have been reported in two weeks. Reporter Arthur Dunn writes from Washington that

talk of an early peace is foolish. (Look for next week's Ledger)

The Citizen's Lyceum association announces the first of four evenings for \$1, a concert by the Schuman **Quintet**

An article about treating the Spanish flu says bed rest, laxative, food, call the doctor are good, but nature is the only cure. Also, don't panic and keep free of colds by the new package. With time growing short, they are scheduled using Vick's VapoRub.

Herbert Hoover urges still less consumption of wheat

fake beard was so bad I whispered to my daughter that the make-up people probably bought it at the Halloween costume section of a Five & Dime. The guy sitting next to her about split a gut. I kept waiting for Berringer to turn around so I could see the string holding the beard tied behind his head.

·Viewpoint

Martin Sheen did a pretty good job as General Robert E. Lee. At least his beard was a little better. But Sheen is a pretty small guy, and somehow I felt he'd be better cast as a Munchkin in "The Wizard of Oz" (another one of my favorites).

Sam Elliott was commendable in his performance of Union Calvary General John Buford. Unfortunately, Buford's part in the battle of Gettysburg dealt with only the opening skirmishes of the very first day. The battle lasted four days and the movie even longer. Well, at times it seemed like it.

Jeff Daniels portrayed Union Colonel Lawrence Chamberlain. Chamberlain was the hero of Gettysburg as the commander of the 20th Maine. His 300 men were positioned at the extreme left end of the Union lines and held against impossible odds. Their heroism saved the Union from yet another defeat in battle, if not the war itself. Daniels even sported a very realistic mustache. He might have even grown it himself.

Yes, I was disappointed in the movie. But that was preordained. I've been interested in and have been something of a student of the American Civil War since I was a kid. I'm no Bruce Canton or Shelby Foote, but I'm more knowledgeable about that war than your average Joe.

The nation began observing the war's centennial when I was about ten years old. During those years my father ran an illustrated column in his newspaper titled "This Week in the Civil War". I remember reading those columns for months ahead when he got a shipment. To top off this lifelong interest in the Civil War, the movie was based on "The Killer Angels", possibly the best book I've ever read (three or four times). Consequently, "Gettysburg" would have to have been one heck of a production to have impressed me. Ted Turner produced "Gettysburg", and I have to tip my

and meat. Victory flour is 3/4 wheat and 1/4 other grains

50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - NOV. 11, 1943 The War Food Administration outlines the rules under which people may slaughter livestock for their own use without giving up ration coupons.

Dean of Agriculture Ernest Anthony of MSC points out to the Lowell Rotarians that with seven percent of the farmland and two percent of the farmers, America cannot feed the world.

There are several suggestions for ways to include turnips on the wartime menu.

A back-page article praises the WACS for doing a first class job of essential work, many with exceptional skill. 25.



Well, I just (that is, if it is Monday at about 5:17 p.m.) received a call from my college buddy/beer brewing entrepreneur partner.

We recently capped our fourth attempt at brewing a fine holiday vintage. Our first two attempts were okay. They inspired us to seek a higher, more improved vintage. Well, we failed miserably, as the third attempt was not meant for human consumption.

Back to the Monday phone call. Dr. Richard Pahl (the head of Family and Children Services in Battle Creek) or Rick Pahl as referred to by his family, friends, working associates and anybody else that has ever met him, called me with an explosive, fast-breaking story.

It seems he went home for lunch last week, and as he relaxed there at the dining table, he heard this loud bang (sounded like it was straight out of a shot gun). No! It was straight from our cardboard cases (sitting in his basement) where the newly capped Krahl Beer (that's a clever combination of our last names)bottles were setting.

It seems that we didn't allow the fermentation process to complete its cycle beforewe started the bottling process. What he found was that eight bottles had exploded and puddles of would-be beer were on his floor.

As you probably have heard or read, our Governor would like the school finance reform bill on his desk by Dec. 1. It seems our representatives in Lansing haven't come to an agreement on the size of the basic student grant or how to fund to break on Friday and reconvene Dec. 1. That may have to be changed.

It takes a great man to -Sir Arthur Helps

we hope to do even better. Individuals or businesses

hat to him for biting off such a massive undertaking. But, after sitting through nearly four hours of this movie I almost rose to my feet and cheered when Turner was shot through the chest while portraying a Confederate officer in Pickett's charge up Seminary Ridge.

Besides the dime store beards, there were other basic flaws in the production. The hoardes of extras it took were made up of volunteer Civil War re-enactors who do this kinda thing for fun all around the country during the summer months. These folks gleefully gathered at Gettysburg to take part in Turner's production. Only one problem. Troops in the Civil War were in their mid-twenties and endured gruelling marches carrying heavy packs and rifles. They camped out every night and lived on hardtack biscuits, bacon and coffee. In other words, they were young, lean and mean. Turner's reenactors were, for the most part, middle aged and looked like today's typical Americans who live on quarter pounders, Twinkies and Budweiser.

Also, the movie was sanitized. I guess it started out to be a TV mini-series. When Turner decided to go to the big screen with it, they minimized the blood and gore to keep a PG rating. This may be a good idea in that it is suitable for viewing by younger people who should (in my opinion) learn about what could possibly have been the most important four days in our country's history. But, without the blood and gore, there is no sense of the absolute terror and horror that these men endured. There were 53,000 casualties during that four days. Turner's movie had less blood than you see on a good offensive lineman on a Sunday afternoon.

Yes, I was disappointed. No, I won't tell you not to see the movie. The movie is based on an important historical event and a wonderful book which recounts that event through the major players like Lee, Longstreet, Buford and Chamberlain. The movie and the actors do a credible job of carrying off the task of telling the story. If you can overlook such things as the cheap beards and Pickett's Porkers, you can enjoy this movie.

There are almost a million Girl Scouts in the U.S.

25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - NOV. 7, 1968 The City Council discusses a proposed street improvement/storm drain project that will cost about a million dollars.

Richard Nixon beats Hubert Humphrey in a close vote and Gerald Ford walks away with the bid for Congress (but Humphrey wins in Michigan).

Rev. Gordon Blossom proposes the building of Honey Creek Christian Homes for boys, south of Lowell.

Concerned Citizens for Better Education launches a campaign for the special millage vote to come on Nov.

Cleaning the Dirty Laundry:

I was collared Monday night for the fact that the pumpkin sale story failed to mention that Bushnell students also participated in the fund-raiser for fifth-grade camp.

I'd also be remiss if I didn't mention that it was Chris Burch's grandson who spoke to the team following Lowell's 15-7 loss to Forest Hills Central. As you are all aware, and many of you made it a point to inform me, Chris and Helen Burch do not have a son.

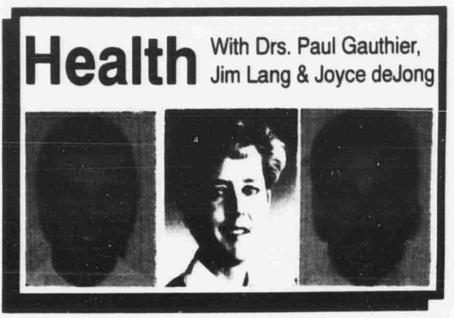
In last week's edition of the Lowell Ledger, a letter to the editor was written stating that Lowell Schools was dropping Kent Career and Technical Center as an option for juniors and seniors due to the lack of money. That is incorrect. The center is in danger of closing its doors due to funding, or lack thereof. The reason is that since 1978, KCTC has depended upon 1.1 mills of county property tax to completely fund their programs. This past July, the state legislators voted to eliminate property tax for operating public educational institutions, eliminating funds for KCTC.

For more information read the letter to the editor by Lowell High School Principal Jim DeWeerd in this edition of the Ledger.



MICHIGAN'S ECONOMY CONTINUES TO GROW

I was encouraged to see the latest edition of U.S. News and World Report which ranked Michigan as having the 10th strongest economic recovery in the country. When it comes to new business growth, we rank number one.



INFLUENZA 1993-1994

Predictions from the center of Disease Control are that this year will be particularly a bad year for the flu. There have already been a few isolated outbreaks in several regions in the U.S. This year a new strain of virus is expected that has been associated with an elevated number of deaths. This new strain, called the A/Beijing virus, is incorporated into this years

It's not too late to receive the vaccine this year. The flu shot is usually given in October or November to give adequate lead time for antibodies to develop prior to outbreaks in January and February. Protection usually begins about two weeks after injection and may last for up to six months.

The flu shot should be given to all individuals at risk of experiencing complications from the flu. This includes people with heart disease, chronic lung conditions, diabetes, asthma, residents of nursing homes and all individuals over the age of 65. People who are likely to come into close contact with the high risk individuals should also be vaccinated. Therefore, household contacts and health care workers need to be immu-

It is a myth that the vaccine can cause the flu. Today, the vaccine is made from an inactivated virus. The most frequent side effect after vaccination is soreness or redness at the injection site lasting a day or two.

If everyone that should be vaccinated actually received the vaccine, we could decrease the 10,000 - 40,000 excess deaths that occur each year as a result of the flu.



rights of survivorship."

JONATHAN SAYS: After reading your question I am not quite clear as to how the deed is titled. If both spouses have been named as the titleholders on the deed, then the surviving spouse would own the property outright at the first spouse's death.

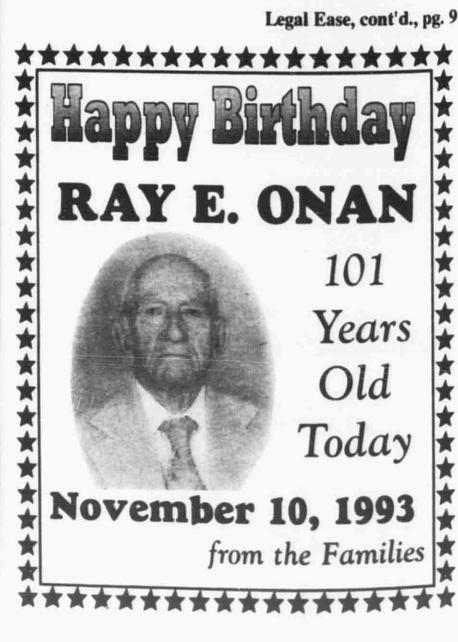
If someone, other than the surviving spouse, was named as a titleholder on the deed and after his or her name it indicates as joint tenants with full rights of survivorship, then that individual and not the surviving spouse would own that property at the titleholder spouse's death.

In the event that only the spouse is named as the titleholder on the property, then upon that spouse's death, that property would first have to be probated in that spouse's estate prior to its passing to the surviving spouse.

DEAR JONATHAN: I sued an individual who owed me money and I received a judgment for that amount. In an effort to collect against that judgment, I served an affidavit and writ of garnishment on a church for whom the individual had contracted with to do some work. Upon being served with my garnishment, the church denied owing any money to the individual because the work required under the contract was not yet completed. Since I knew he would be getting paid from the church in the near future, I refiled my affidavit and writ of garnishment the following week. On the same day my second affidavit and writ of garnishment was served on the church, the individual was paid by the church in full for the amount due and owing him under his contract with the church. A few days later I saw him working at the church doing more work. I do not know if this was additional work or work that he was finishing up under the original contract. In any event, he got paid and I did not collect on my garnishment. What can I do? **JONATHAN SAYS:** Before getting to your question, let's methods available to collect the amounts due and owing on

first discuss some of the attributes of an affidavit and writ of garnishment. An affidavit and writ of garnishment is one of the unpaid judgments. The affidavit portion of the document requires the plaintiff (the person in whose favor the judgment was entered) to state: (1) that a judgment was entered against the principal defendant (this is the person who was sued on the debt owed) and that the judgment remains unsatisfied, (2) the amount of the judgment currently due and owing, and (3) that the plaintiff knows or has good reason to believe that the garnishee defendant (an individual or entity which owes money to the principal defendant) has possession or control of property belonging to the principal defendant, or is indebted to the principal defendant.

The writ of garnishment portion of the document directs the garnishee defendant to disclose with the court any liability it has to the principal defendant. It also prohibits the garnishee defendant from delivering property or paying any obligations to the principal defendant. It further directs the garnishee defendant to serve a copy of the garnishment on the principal defendant.



Capitol Commentary, continued...

dark days of the late 1970's and early 80's when jobs were leaving in droves. Since August of 1991, 11.2 percent of all new jobs created in the nation have been created in Michigan. This equals 338,000 new jobs. And, for the first time in more than 25 years, our unemployment rate has consistently been below the national average.

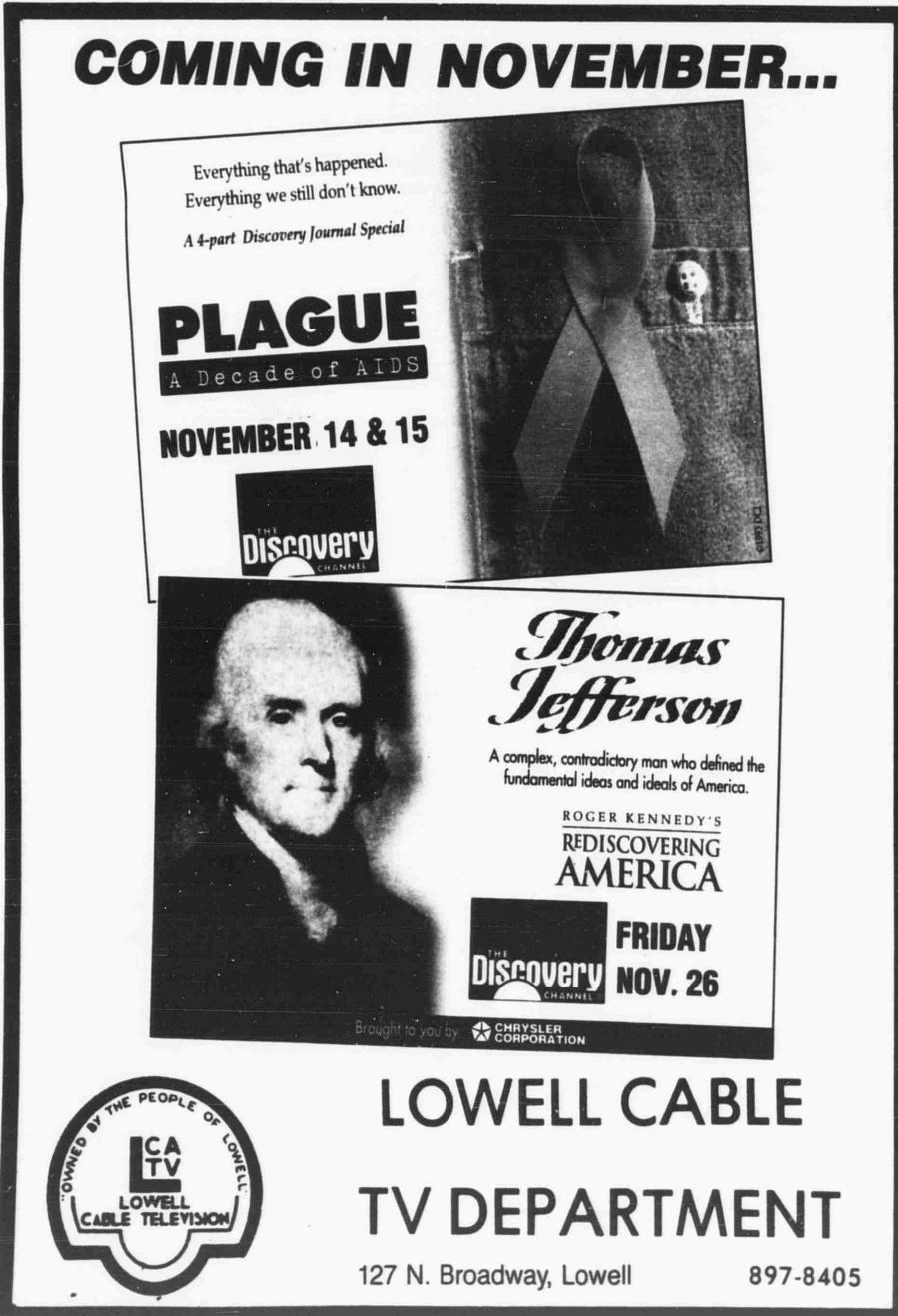
All of these figures are encouraging because they show that Michigan is on the right track. They also demonstrate that cutting taxes and needless government red tape spurs economic growth. During the 1980's Michigan government embarked on a pattern of rapid growth, fueled by higher taxes. But as government grew, private enterprises, whether the Big Three or small farms, suffered

The Legislature, through bipartisan cooperation during the past three years, has worked to reduce our tax burden. In 1991, we passed a property tax freeze that saved homeowners \$400

million. In 1992, we reduced the single business tax to give the State's 85,000 small businesses a shot in the arm. And, earlier this year, we eliminated the inheritance tax, saving taxpayers an average of \$95 million in the first year. Coupled with these cuts, government waste has been vigorously targeted. A budget that was in the red by \$1 billion in 1991 is now fiscally responsible and balanced.

The fruits of our efforts have come full circle.

But there is still more to accomplish. As you are well aware, the Legislature is working on a plan to find a better way of funding our schools and preparing them for the 21st century. In the end, we will have a more equitable and quality educational system, a less burdensome and disparate tax system, and a net tax cut. We need all of this if we are to continue down the road of growth and prosperity.



DEAR JONATHAN: With a quit claim deed, can the spouse of the person to whom property has been quit claimed. become an automatic recipient of the property as well, in the event of the death of the named individual? The person named on the quit claim is shown as being a "joint tenant with full

As for your question, you are wondering how the church (the garnishee defendant) was able to pay the individual (the principal defendant) for the work he did pursuant to his

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Years

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Losers no more! Tired o the "kids will be the losers" talk, Lowell Special Education Supervisor Pam Thomas and the Lowell Special Education Department have organized a volunteer program which actively solicits the help of classroom volunteers.

From those who responded to the letter sent home with the special education newsletter, interviews were held.

From these interviews, 10 classroom volunteers were selected. Combined, they have donated 26 hours of their time each week.

"This program is unique in that the volunteers in this team program have committed to one school year of service on a regular basis," Thomas said.

The volunteers will help students with a variety of activities including: working on a computer, bulletin boards, and reading tests to the students.

Each volunteer has donated from one-half day to three days a week.

"We didn't check to see if it might not otherwise have. learned of the program this was something other "The rooms have children through the retired senior schools were doing," Thomas from grades kindergarten volunteer program she joined. said. "We just decided to do through fifth grade. The lev- "I want to be of help to

Lowell's special education demand on the teacher is ful," she said. teachers and asked if they great," McCormick said. could use some assistance in their classrooms. The response teers two hours of her time years at Runciman, said she was positive.

The Special Education Supervisor said the volunteers help children in a classroom kids accomplish tasks. could never take the place of a para professional. "The kids still need the daily, consistent help that a paraprofession provides in the classroom, "

Thomas said.'

Lowell School Board President Ray Quada commended the volunteers for their cooperative effort with Thomas and the elementary and middle school special education instructors. "Thope people understand what the cooperative effort volunteerism means to a community, its school district and especially to the students," he said.

Nancy McCormick, elementary teacher consultant, said the volunteers can help provide each room a quality big sister, Megan Marie.

els of each student (10 to a children. I want to be produc-Thomas went to each of room) are varied. Thus, the tive and do something use-

> Dorothy Hoag who volun- as a room mother for two every Thursday afternoon said volunteered her time because she has always wanted to of the reward in seeing the setting. "I came up and volunteered my service before I plishments seem small to us, even knew about this pro- but they work so hard to gram," she said. "You truly achieve them, and I find that get more back from these kids to be very rewarding," Ross than you give. They are nice said. kids who want to learn."

Eileen Beach, a retired this a program where "the Alto Postmaster, says she kids are the winners."

AREA BIRTHS

was born November 1, 1993. He weighed 7 lbs. 13 oz. and was 20 inches long.

Andy and Jayne Rogers are Grandparents are Bruce and proud to announce the birth Marcia Baird and Vern and of their son, Kyle Baird, who the late George Rogers, all of Lowell.

Great grandparents are Essie Baird of Lowell and Kyle is welcomed home by Dorotha Biggs of Saranac.





Old Today November 10, 1993 from the Families

Volunteers' time adds quality in assistance to classroom

Sherry Ross, who served

"Many of their accom-

Such volunteerism.makes





Lowell's Sherry Ross volunteers a couple hours of her time on Monday to work in Pam Kinnucan's classroom at **Bushnell**.

Layaway and exchange privileges. MasterCard, Visa and Discover accepted. Pictured styles are representative of our stock and occasionally specific styles may not be available. If delivered after sale starts, we will honor sale prices if quantities are available. ME SPECIALS AVAILABLE WHILE QUANTITIES LAST.





YMCA YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE REGISTRATION

Registration for the Lowell YMCA 1994 youth basketball program is now open. Registration is open to all boys and girls grades three through four and five through six. A separate program will be offered for girls if enough register, otherwise it will be coed.

This program is a league. Practices start in December; games start in January. Volunteer coaches are needed. Financial assistance is available. For further information call 897-8445 to register. Deadline for registration is Nov. 18 at 4 p.m.

VETERAN'S DAY HOLIDAY POST OFFICE HOURS

There will not be any mail delivery on Veteran's Day, Thursday, Nov. 11. However, the lobby will be open from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. for box customers and stamp vending.

UMW USED WINTER CLOTHING SALE

A used winter clothing sale is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 20 at the First United Methodist Church, 621 E. Main St., between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. All proceeds go to support Access 6.

Good winter clothing donations are still needed, especially

9161 or 642-9820. Nov. 19.

YMCA REC BASKETBALL PROGRAM

The Lowell YMCA will offer a new warm-up rec basketball program for boys and girls, grades three through six. This program will run for six weeks. Participants will be able to play intermural games each Family Fare (two-\$75 shopping sprees), Bernard's True

week. This program will not conflict with the winter basketball leagues. For more information call 897-8445.

UMW HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW

UMW Holiday Craft Show at First United Methodist Church, 621 E. Main St., 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 20. For further exhibitor information contact Lynn Drown, 897-6871.

CHRISTMAS WALK-THROUGH IN LOWELL

Visit the homes and studios of local artists and shop for hundreds of beautifully handcrafted items in the quaint, friendly atmosphere you deserve. The Christmas walk-through will be held Thursday, Nov.

Saturday, Nov. 20 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Follow Christmas signs to find participating homes or pick up a flier with map at Cousins or the Arts Council.

LOWELL CHRISTMAS PARADE

Entries are needed for the Lowell Christmas parade. It will

Library, continued...

tem, to start a district system ready incorporated by board. The district library \$70 fee. board would then have the the people. The vote would trict system.

with a district system, they with this plan is the board

According to Ruth may charge each household doesn't know if the library McCrank, Deputy Director of carrying a library card \$70 to board will accept a partial paythe Kent County Library Sys- use the library, a measure al- ment. Lowell would have to join Vergennes Township. To help would accept any amount of with two other communities absorb some of the cost, the money, and it would give us and establish a district library township may pay half of the more time to figure what i

district system put to a vote of board is contemplating is pay- ship Supervisor. ing \$23,109 and letting padetermine how much of a mill- trons use the library until that Jan. 1, to respond to the liage is needed to run the dis- money runs out or another brary boards request before it solution is found to fund the is locked into its 1994 pay-If the board doesn't go system. The only problem ment of \$30, 025.

"I would think the library best for the township," said Another measure the John Timpson, Lowell Town

The board will have until

coaching to provide equity letic director's position from without disruption of school

within the district. The positions for which compensation have been increased include cheerleading, gymnastics, volleyball and trict to set the salary and said. "It also reflects the will reductions for the wrestling benefit levels of this position ingness of the LEA member coaching staff but with a without negotiations. grandfather clause for the existing staff.

The LEA also agreed to parties to reach an agreement allow the removal of the ath-



Survey, continued

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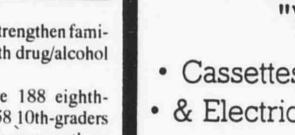
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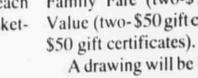
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lies to deal with drug/alcohol problems).

graders and 158 10th-graders surveyed. If there were three or more inconsistencies in student responses, the individual

There were 188 eighth-





LAAC GALA CHRISTMAS SHOW AND SALE

The Lowell Area Arts Center is now accepting reservations for the Gala Christmas Show and Sale champagne buffet. It will be held Sunday, Nov. 21 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dine on seasonal gourmet fare and shop from the gallery o gifts featuring the work of 60 West Michigan artists. Meet special guest artists Mary Bailey and Russ Henckel.

Reservations are \$7.50 each and may be made through the

Arts Center, 149 S. Hudson, Lowell, MI 49331 or phone 897-8545. The Gala Christmas Show and Sale continues through 18 from 5 to 9 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 19 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Dec. 24 and is underwritten by FMB State Savings Bank.

> LOWELL LIONS CLUB - ODYSSEY PASSBOOKS The Lowell Lions Club is selling Odyssey Passbooks. Anyone interested in purchasing one, contact any Lions Club member or Bob Ford, 897-7501.



set up to help strengthen fami-

for kids. Clothes may be dropped off at the church through be held Saturday, Dec. 4 at 10 a.m. Contact Dee Brown, 897-

LHS SOPHOMORE CLASS SELLING RAFFLE TICKETS

The Lowell High School sophomore class will be selling raffle tickets as a fund raiser for prom. Prizes were donated by Value (two-\$50 gift certificates), and Pfaller's clothing (two-

A drawing will be held on Nov. 19. For more information please call the High School at 897-4125.

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Agreement, continued...

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> WE NOW CARRY ... ÖRBIT

Helping Local People

MAIN ST., CONT'D.

COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION

Commodities will be distributed Thursday, Nov. 18 between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. at the Lowell Moose Recreational Building, 210 E. Main.

Check the "expiration date" on your commodities pick-up card. If it has expired and you want to renew it, you must bring: current proof of total household income; current proof of eligibility for ADC, General Assistance, SSI and Food Stamps and Social Security recipients: Form SSA-1099 So-

cial Security Benefit Statement. You must have the current information or you will not receive any commodities.

FIRST AID COURSE OFFERED

The Lowell Area Fire Department is offering an American Red Cross First Aid Course on Dec. 8 and 9 from 6 to 10 p.m. You must attend both days to be certified.

The fee is \$30, and class size is limited to 12 people. To register call 897-5241 before Dec. 3, 1993.

OFF THE BLOTTER

A 12 year old juvenile from Lowell was apprehended by

TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to the letter to the editor written last week by Carol Sisson-Wingeier. I am very pleased that Mrs. Wingeier is supportive of the Kent Career press my appreciation for the Technical Center (KCTC) and concern that Mrs. Wingeier that the training she received has for the KCTC program, from there has played an im- but I need to emphasize that portant role in her success. the future of the program does Herletter, however, had some not lie in the hands of local misconceptions that need to districts but is dependent upon be cleared up so that everyone the financial package that understands what is happen- comes out of Lansing. I would ing at KCTC.

Lowell High School is not dropping the option for students to attend KCTC the second semester. A full program, including transportation to and from the center, will be offered to students that want to attend.

Second, KCTC is in danger of closing all or part of their Dear Editor: programs beginning July 1, 1994. The reason is that since 1978, KCTC has depended upon 1.1 mills of county property tax to completely fund their programs. This past July, the state legislators voted to eliminate property tax for op- the City would allow an aparterating public educational institutions. Thus, funding Hunt Street with handicapped KCTC was eliminated.

A third point that needs cor- to get downtown or to the rection is the idea that students must "maintain a C average at both their home school and KCTC." The truth is that the program is open to all students and students with grade point averages ranging from know people had a chance to "A" (4.0) to "D-" (.5) do at- use it, instead of using the side tend. KCTC offers a wide va- of the road or street which, of ricty of programs for students course, we all know isn't safe. of all abilities. We often find that students who do not excel in a traditional classroom setting at Lowell High School are very successful at some of • the technical hands-on pro-

grams at the center. The programs at KCTC are outstanding and we would desire that more students take advantage of the programs offered.

Again, I would like to exencourage everyone to make First, the administration at contact with their local legislators to express support for equitable and sufficient educational funding for all students.

> Jim DeWcerd, Principal Lowell High School

What is the purpose of having sidewalks? To save peoples lives!

Our son, Mark Peckham, would still be alive today in there were sidewalks.

We don't understand why ment complex to be built on apartments, with no sidewalks doctor's office. School children and the elderly need sidewalks too, or walk in the street or people's yards.

I would rather have a sidewalk in front of my home and We are surprised more

people haven't been hit or killed, like Mark, before this.

Oscar & Shirley Peckham



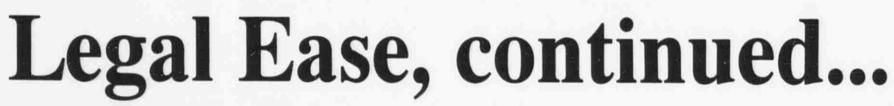
Mormon pioneers who settled the Utah region in 1847 called it *Deseret*, a Mormon word meaning hon-eybee. The word stands for hard work and industry. Hence the state's nickname, "The Beehive State."

store employees of Rookies Sports Cards Plus, Nov. 2, for from his vehicle onto the pavement due to his not wearing a shoplifting.

James Piercefield, 43, of Lowell, was arrested by Lowell taken to the Kent County Jail Nov. 8 on a warrant issued out officers Nov. 4 on a warrant issued for uttering and publishing. Dean Volpe, 60, of Ada, was involved in a property damage of Grand Rapids District Court for failure to appear. Barry Curtis, 36, of Grand Rapids, was involved in a accident Nov. 3 when the truck trailer he was pulling was property damage accident Nov. 7 on West Main near Valley

struck from behind by a vehicle driven by Herman Colegrove II of Wyoming, MI, on Main near West Street.

Slagel, 24, also of Grand Rapids. A third car operated by Dean Richard Larabel, 34, of Wyoming, MI, was hospitalized Ward, 43, of Grand Rapids, then struck the rear of the Curtis after being involved in an accident on Nov. 4 on West Main vehicle when he could not stop in time to avoid the first near Valley Vista Drive. He struck a semi-truck driven by Howard Coles, 32, of Belding, lost control of his car and accident. skidded into oncoming traffic and was struck by a vehicle Jeffrey Riggs, 33, of Irons, backed the cement truck he was driven by Farley McCaul, 31, of Saranac. McCaul also redriving into a parked car in the McDonald's Restaurant ceived minor injuries. The second collision ejected Larabel parking lot on West Main Nov. 5. The parked car was owned by Jerry Kirkbridge of Kingsley. No one was injured.



contract with the church on the same day it was served with your second affidavit and writ of garnishment. It all depends on the timing. If the church paid the individual prior to being served with the affidavit and writ of garnishment, even if it all happened on the same day, then there is not much you can do. However, if the church was served with your affidavit and writ of garnishment before paying the individual and then turned around and paid the individual on the contract, then the church would be in violation of the writ of garnishment and would be liable to you for up to 1-1/4 times the unpaid balance of the judgment amount.

You may want to consult with an attorney to review your judgment, the affidavits and writ of garnishments you prepared and had served on the church, and the sequence of events to see if the church in fact improperly paid the individual





seat belt. Patrick Tarman, 31, of Grand Rapids, was arrested and

Vista Drive, when he struck the rear of a car driven by Kerry

Even if you cannot make a case against the church for improperly paying the individual, you can still pursue the collection of the judgment by ways of further garnishments in addition to the other remedies available to you under Michigan Law for the collection of unpaid judgments. Good luck. Clarification: In my last column a reader commented that he was in an accident that was not his fault and he was concerned about having to pay his insurance deductible when his car was repaired. I indicated to him that he would not have to worry about paying his deductible because the other driver was at fault. However, this would only be true if the reader carried broad form collision coverage on his insurance policy. If he did not have broad form collision coverage, then he would still be required to pay his deductible amount regardless of fault.

Over 800 people curious about progress at the new high school facility

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

highs school project done and end and highlighted the large completion expected to come open areas which included in June, interests were at a the cafeteria, physical educa- able to open the school in the peak Sunday for a tour of the tion area, fine arts, the auditonew \$26 million facility.

It was the third tour of the facility, with the first one tak-May of this year.

p.m., was the charm.

total of 465 patrons. On Sunday, 811 people walked families and present students." been opened.

through the 50 minute tour. Unlike the first two which started at the west end, With two-thirds of the new Sunday's tour began at the east facilities. rium, lab areas, technical areas and the media center.

ing place in October of 1992 the new people (faces) that money to open the new faciland the second tour was in attended this tour that weren't ity," Korb said. at the previous two," Dick The third tour on Sunday, Korb, Lowell 's Director of planned for the Spring of 1994 which went from noon until 4 School and Community Edu- and that the school is also cation, said. "I was also en- hopeful of holding a fifth tour The first two tours had a couraged by the former stu- in October or November of dents who came with their next year after the school has

Tourists were impressed by the design, layout, flexibility and usability of the new

They also gueried whether money was going to be avail-Fall of 1994.

"They were told that we're hopeful the new legislative "I was most pleased with package will provide enough

Korb said a tour has been



Craig Willison, back to the camera, shows open house patrons, the greenhouse high school that students will be working in next year.

Noise pollution to bring further action to Township Board

By Marc Popiolek Contributing Writer

Responding to more complaints from area residents the Lowell Township Board will continue to look at what can be done with model airplane flying on a private air pute. strip along Grand River Dr.

Pauline Molinosky, 11712 petition to the board several to come up with a solution. weeks ago hoping it would complaints.

by 15 residents in the area and draw up the petition. who are upset over the "noise pollution" caused by the model airplanes.

The Western Michigan Radio Aircraft Flyers, which consist of 100 members, has for the past couple of years leased a portion of land at 11621 Grand River Dr. from Robert VanStrien for the sole purpose of flying airplanes.

The club's regular hours during the summer months are Tuesday evenings and Sunday afternoons, but Molinosky says she sees people flying seven days a week.

After Molinosky's initial visit to the board in September, club president Dave

Jaeckels visited her at the request of Township Supervi- here. We live in this area, he sor John Timpson.

stated he thought Molinosky also," said Molinosky. was willing to work with his organization to settle the dis-

He also explained that his club wants to work with the Grand River Dr., presented a township in any way possible

Molinosky denies coming lend some weight to her to an agreement with Jaeckels, instead his visit prompted her The petition was signed to talk with other residents to be found."

"We want the noise out of doesn't. If he had to hear the Jaeckels approached the noise we do on a daily basis he board after the meeting and would look to get it out of here

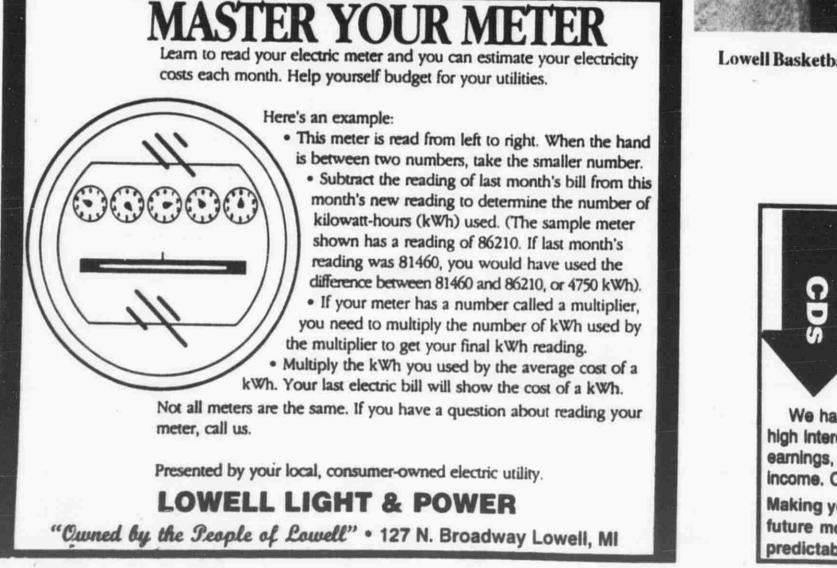
> Timpson said he would bring the petition to the attention of homeowners and said if the small planes cause enough nuisances they'll have to be moved.

He went on to explain that "a piece of paper carrying this many names carries a lot of weight and a solution will have



Phil Christensen talks to a bus load of tourists about the new high school sports complex.







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Lowell Basketball coach Phil Beachler shares information about the new gymnasium.

Lowell soccer team can't hold off Sparta firepower

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

possible nightmare being lived ing round of the Class B Re- corner. out right before his eyes.

ing the Red Arrow net in the possible nightmare," Owens had them scared," Lowell early goal in the second half first half of the regional high said. "We pounded their net coach Dave Wydock said. was probably the biggest goal Travis Jarrell scored school soccer tournament at in the first half and don't score "Weplayed a defensive game. of the game. Forest Hills Northern, but un- and Lowell scores on a great I wanted to stop Sparta from able to score.

1-0 halftime lead.

Before the nightmare could first half. Villafano drilled a would get frustrated, and I and two assists in the second half, cutting the deficit to one be completed, Owens and his low shot home past a diving think they did a little in the half, scored Sparta's second at 3-2. Spartans woke up in time to Sparta goalie. The ball was first half, but they pulled to- goal at 25:58 of the second It was Paul Owens worst secure a 4-2 win in the open- perfectly placed in the far left gether and worked together to half. gional.

Then like a bolt from the That great shot came off sky, Lowell scores on a great the foot of Paco Villafano. It kick, giving the underdogs a came on a penalty shot with eight minutes to play in the

The Spartans were pound- "It was a coach's worst Sparta is a good club and we frustration standpoint, that of the second half. scoring right away, hoping to 38:07 of the second period. rattle them."

> Wydock. "I was afraid our boys

Red Arrows hold off game Zeeland ball club

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

"Sister Act II" premiered Thursday night on the hardwood courts of Zeeland High School.

Lowell's Amy and Tammy Stauffer had leading roles in the Red Arrows' 54-51 O-K White Conference win over the host Chix.

tory assured the Red Arrows of at least a share of the conference title.

A win over Rogers or Forest Hills Central in Lowell's Lowell leading 43-39. Zeeland trouble." final two games of the regular

second O-K White title in the ing within one at 43-42. last five years.

proved Zeeland club which but sophomore Tammy Arnett. She scored 12 of her role on the boards with a teamrefused to go away.

White. However, its home Lowell's lead back to four at fensive play was Kortney caroms respectively. record in league play was 4- 46-42.

ter as the season progresses. Lowell's 10th league vic- Zeeland is big and it has im-Akers said.

came in the third quarter with

Deer Safety tips:

Michigan motorists may get a bang out of this year's firearm deer season...but if won't be guns that take the Strophy, says AAA Michigan ... it could be the front end of their cars.

"Although car-deer crashes take place throughout the year, most occur during the fall and early winter months," said Community Safety Services Manager Jerry Basch. "Between 1988 and 1991, the state averaged nearly 45,000 reported cardeer crashes annually.

"By following a few simple safety tips, it is possible to reduce the risk of cardeer crashes and the serious injury or death which can result,' Basch added. This year, according to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), an estimated 760.000 firearm deer hunters are expected to take to Michigan woods between Nov. 15 and 30, adding to the normal traffic flow and tourist travel.

Deer numbers are projected at 1.5 million statewide. Whether they wander onto state highways depends on several factors: food availability, weather, size of herd and season of the year.

"Deer volumes are smaller in the southern half of the state," said Basch, "but the number of cars on roads is higher. As a result, the potential for a car-deer crash is high in areas heavily populated by humans.

While the unpredictable nature of the animal makes it difficult to eliminate all car-

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Betty R. Morlock Deputy City Clerk



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season will clinch Lowell's netted a three-pointer, pull- shutting her down in the sec- Gowen with 11 points. Krista ond half." Akers said. The basket could have cre-Lowell held off an im- ated a big momentum swing, Lowell was junior, Courtney

Zeeland entered the game only bucket of the evening, a quarters.

"That was a big bucket. "Big teams tend to get bet- Tammy played a great floor game for us," Akers said. "Tammy distributed the basproved," Lowell coach Ken ketball, ran the court, and didn't commit a turnover. We A key point in the game needed that from her tonight with Posthumus in foul

> The other half of the sister act, Amy Stauffer, netted a game-high 15 points.

"Tammy had a good first half. Zeeland did a good job of

Picking up the slack for nine.

score early in the second

Sparta's first goal came at marker. the assist from Craig Lusk.

Lusk, who had one goal

Javier Medlavilla tallied

Sparta made it 4-2 when the games final goal at the 16:48

The goal was netted on a head esting with a goal inside the thing. They left everything Owens concurred with shot by Jeremy Gardner with box at 20:31 of the second out on the field," Owens said.

Four minutes later, Sparta answered with its fourth and final goal of the game. Sparta "Our boys played well, half," Owens said, "From a the third Spartan goal at 21:07 made it 4-2 when Travis Jarrell scored the games final goal at the 16:48 marker.

"Lowell came in here pumped up and played a great game. I think it's safe to say Ryan White kept it inter- their boys didn't save any-



Posthumus contributed with

Melissa Beute played a key Stauffer answered with her 14 points in the third and fourth leading nine rebounds. Amy Stauffer and Andrea Rich-

"I was pleased with the way our girls played. Zeeland leads the league in scoring and they play well at home," Akers

Lowell ended the week with an overall record of 14-4 with a 4-7 record in the O-K three point shot, pushing Also stepping up her of- mond added seven and five and a 10-2 mark in the O-K White

American Education Week Be a part of the education team!

American Education Week was first observed back in 1921 when the National Education Association and the American Legion joined forces to raise public awareness of the importance of education. It was to be "an educational week...observed in all communities for the purpose of informing the public of the accomplishments and needs of the public schools and to secure the cooperation and support of the public in meeting those needs."

That tradition continues this year with November 14-20 being designated as the week to spotlight education and the important role communities play in the educational future of our children.

Building better schools takes the participation and contributions of all segments of our society. How well our schools do is a reflection of how much emphasis and value our communities place on education.

Schools should be a major priority of every community, because education is the very foundation on which our future will be built. It is an investment in people-a critical investment that will help shape a better tomorrow.

Please join us in celebrating American Education Week by getting to know your public schools better!

Lowell Education Association



Rivers begins 34th year with induction into Hall of Fame

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

The start of Gary River's 34th year as Lowell's varsity wrestling coach is less than a month away.

Friday night, at the Holiday Inn South in Lansing, it couldn't have been scripted mat a little early as he became coach, Duane Wohlfert. the 34th inductee into the

tion Hall of Fame.



Grandville wrestling coach Tom Krepps introduces Hall of Famer, Gary Rivers.

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

gan Corporation, Mortgagors, to Aneta M. bate Court File No. 91-153, 199-IE, Mortgagee, as follows: dated January 24, 1986. recorded on February 11, The West 20 feet of Lot 2 freeway accidents are not ex-803, Kent County Regis-Aneta M. Townsend, Deceased elected to declare the entire unpaid amount of the debt secured by said mortgage due and payable forthwith.

At the date of this notice there is claimed to be due for principal and interest and advances on said mortgage the sum of Thirteen Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Seven dollars and Twenty Cents (\$13,467.20). No suit or proceedings at law have been instituted to recover this debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given

that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay such amount with interest, as provided in said mortgage, and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including attorneys fees allowed by law, said mortgage will be

public vendue to the highest bidder at the Hall Default has been made of Justice in Grand Rapin the conditons of a ids. Michigan on Thursmortgage made by Sure day, December 2, 1993 at Distributors, Inc., a Michi- 10:00 a.m. local time. The premises covered by said mortgage are situated in Townsend, now de- the City of Lowell, County ceased, Kent County Pro- of Kent, State of Michigan, and are described

1986 in Liber 2197, Page and also Lot 3 except the West 22 feet, Block 1 of ter of Deeds. By reason Richard and Wickham's of such default Nancy C. Plat, according to the plat O'Neal, Personal Repre- thereof as recorded in sentative of the Estate of Liber 2 of plats on page 55.

> Subject to existing highways, easements and rights of way of record. The above described premises contains less than three acres and is commercial in nature.

Pursuant to the Public Acts of 1971, as amended, the redemption period will be six (6) months from the date of the foreclosure sale, as determined under Section 3240 of said Act, being MSA 27A.3240.

Dated: November 3, 1993

RHOADES, MCKEE. BOER, GOODRICH & TITTA By: Mary L. Williams P40705 Attorney For The Personal Representative 600 Waters Building Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503 (616) 235-3500

any better. Rivers got off the years; and former Fenton

"I've often joked with other Michigan Wrestling Associa- coaches that if you stick around long enough, things Rivers shared the spotlight will come to you, but I guess with other inductees. Zeke tonight there is some truth to Jones, a silver medalist in the that," Rivers said. "If I have 1992 Olympics; Ed one message for coaches out Langenburg, an official for 33 there, it is to stick with the profession.

> Rivers began his coaching career at Lowell High School in 1960. He has amassed a record of 418 wins, 99 losses and six ties. He has coached 25 state medalists and four state champions.

> During this time, the Red Arrows have won 18 conference championships as well as 10 district and four regional crowns.

> In his 33-year tenure, Rivers has seen 11 Lowell wrestlers win more than 100 career matches. He has been selected Regional Coach of the Year three times and in 1986 was the Class B Coach of the Year.

Introducing Rivers was Grandville coach and longtime friend, Tom Krepps.

"I call him the Chief for the Krepps said. "Beyond all the schools numbers in tonight's pro-

foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises at Deer, continued...

deer crashes, AAA Michigan advises motorists to always wear safety belts, avoid alcohol when driving and heed the following tips:

• Look for deer. Expand your field of vision to include nore of the roadside environ-

· Car-deer crashes most often occur on paved local and county roads, although

· The hours just before dawn and just after dusk are the most likely times to have deer move from area to area. Hours of darkness account for two-thirds of all car-deer crashes.

· If you see a deer, drive slowly, and assume that more are nearby.

· If you should approach a deer in the road, do not take unsafe evasive action. It is usually safer to strike the deer than another object, such as a tree or other vehicle.

· Be aware of eyes reflected from your headlights.





Inducted into the Michigan High School Wrestling Hall of Fame over the weekend were left to right: Zeke Jones, Duane Wohlfert, Lowell's Gary Rivers and Ed Langenburg.

wrestling programs (Cedar Springs and Belding)."

Many of Rivers' former leave on the floor between the coach Tom Harper. wrestlers, of years gone by, mat and chairs. "He was fun to "We have a very good were on hand to help com- watch. He use to pace back feeder program and Tom memorate the special honor and forth. When the match Harper deserves a lot of that way he has worked officials bestowed on the Lowell coach. was over there were black credit," Rivers said. and crowds over the years," Even wrestlers from other marks all over the floor."

Mike Vanderhyde, Sparta, Rivers paid special recogni- to honor Rivers in person at gram, Gary has been instru- recalled the great duals the mental in starting a number of two schools have had. The '73

> Drive at a speed that allows you to stop safely within the range of your headlights.

> · Halogen headlights, which provide about 25 percent more light than conventional headlights, may reduce accident risks by increasing your ability to see deer.

· Ultrasonic warning devices--although many drivers using these devices feel they are effective in alerting deer, there have been no definitive studies which show they reduce car-deer crashes.

· Should you strike a deer, report it to local or county police and your insurance company. If you choose to keep a deer you hit, you will need a permit from the police department or DNR.

AAA Michigan is the nation's third largest auto club affiliated with the American Automobile Association (AAA). The Auto Club is a non-profit corporation which provides safety, travel, recreational, insurance and financial services to its 1.5 million members statewide.

The Lowell Equestrian

Team took fourth place at the Interscholastic Horsemanship Association state finals against 12 other class A district champions.

straight championship scoring in 15 of the 17 classes for 210 points. Port Huron Northern followed with 130 for second place. Fruitport finished in third with 123, and Lowell was fourth with 94 points.

with Kelly Dykstra's eighth placing in western fitting and showing with Heather Pelon receiving an honorable mention. Hunt seat fitting and showing had Pelon fourth, Kelly Dykstra fifth and Jill Dykstra ninth. Lindsev Brogger then took sixth in saddleseat fitting and showing, eighth in saddleseat equi-

graduate made special note of and in particular Lowell the black marks Rivers use to Middle School wrestling

Lowell wrestling fans and In is acceptance speech, supporters will have a chance tion to his assistant coaches an open house on Sunday, Nov. 14 from 2 until 4 p.m.



Gary Rivers

Equestrians place 4th

tation and an honorable men-

Dexter earned its third Scoring for Lowell started

tion in saddle seat pattern. Jill Dykstra took eighth in hunt seat equitation. In hunt seat bareback, Jill Dykstra earned fourth, Kelly Dykstra sixth and Pelon 10th. Kelly Dykstra won western equitation with Jill Dykstra fourth and Pelon 10th. Lindsey Brogger took seventh in western bareback. Trail was won by Pelon, followed by Amanda Smit second and Kelly Dykstra fourth. Michelle Dykstra took an eighth in speed and action. Also showing for Lowell were Jamie McCaul, Denise Parker and Katie Stouffer.

Participation at the state finals was made possible by the team's summer car wash patrons and donations made by area businesses and indi-



Air Force Airman Basic Drew D. McElvain and Jason Vander Warf have graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Airforce Base.

During the six weeks of training the airmen studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate

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degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Boyd of Hill Airforce Base, McElvain is the son

of Saranac. Vander Warf is the son of his wife, Dee.

Terry and Sharon Vander Warf of Lowell.

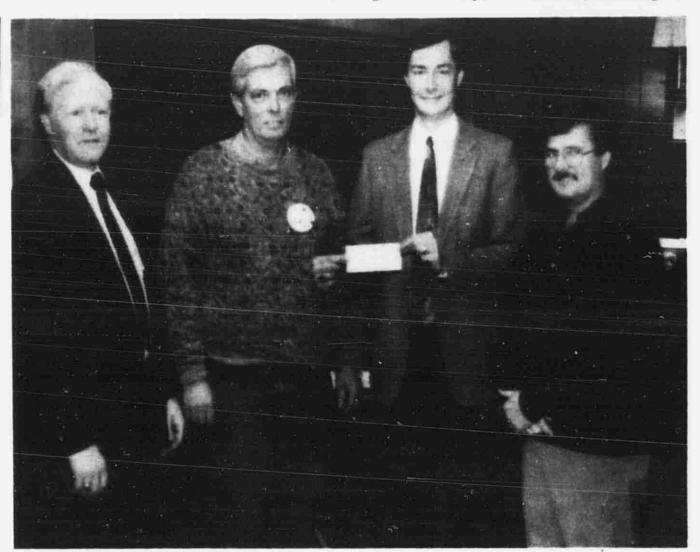


Lt. Col. Edward James Utah, retired Sept. 23, 1993, Richard and Vicki McElvain after 23 years as a C141 pilot. He resides in Utah with

> Boyd attended Lowell High School in 1964, then graduated from Michigan Tech in 1969 and Bowling Green in 1970.

He is currently studying accounting at the University of Utah in order to obtain a teaching certificate.

His mother, Doris Boyd, brother and sister-in-law Robert and Carlinda Boyd and sister, Janet Boyd, all reside in Lowell.



The Lowell Fire Department received \$2,000 from the Lowell Rotary to be used in equipping its dive team. Pictured left to right are: Roger Chapman, Rotary President Jerry Hale, Kelly Holst and Paul Roderick from the Lowell Fire Department.

Martin attends conference

volunteer recruitment and

men in a woman's world. Greg

Risberg, keynote speaker at

the N.A.A.P. convention, also

presented "The Value of

Touch" and "Making a Dif-

ference in Your Job and Life."

Nine mini-shops were also

is to promote educational op-

portunities, personal develop-

ment and the continuing ex-

The purpose of M.A.A.P.

conducted.

Robin L. Marin, certified activity director, from Lowell cluded adaptive activities, in skilled nursing facilities, Medical Care Center attended the 10th annual fall conference of the Michigan Association of Activity Professionals on Oct. 6, 7, and 8 in Grand Rapids.

The conference was held at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel and was focused on "Celebrating the Past and Preparing for the Future."

Michael Watters, from Oregon, was the keynote

Halloween costume winners

Winners in this year's Lowell Ledger Halloween contest were Tonya Gorby, "Ace of Spades," Bonnie Grooters, Backwater Cafe; Floriana Lucille Ball," Lawrence. "President Clinton," Kevin Floriana, a girl, and Diane Jachim, a pregnant woman

Grooters won a gift certificate from Sneaker's; Jachim won a gift certificate to the Alyce won a gift certificate to Larkin's; Gorby won a gift certificate from Cousins'; and Lawrence will receive a gift certificate from Zzanos.



Lowell's Bonnie Grooters was the lovable redhead for Halloween.



speaker and his topics in- cellence of activity programs geriatric residential housing, adult day care programs, nursing homes and senior centers.

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Rotary donates monies to dive team



Football awards handed out

Post season football awards were handed out on Nov. 2 at the Red Arrow Football Banquet. Pictured, center, is Lowell varsity cheerleading Most Valuable Player, sophomore, Jenny Jansma. Back row: left to right, Rob Kennedy, Most Valuable Defensive Player; Phil Catlin, Lions' Club Most Valuable Player; Scott LaHaie, honorable mention all-conference tight end; Ron Acheson, most improved offensive player; Brian Phillips, most improved offensive player; Clay Covell, Coach Burch Defense Award; Sean Pawlowski, most improved defensive player; and Andy Tichelaar, Coach **Burch Offense Award.**

1st neighborhood meeting reveals need for more participants

By Marc Popiolek Contributing Writer

Hoping to stop crime be-

attended the township's first tablishes a communication The meeting, organized by VanderLaan, brought out nine

Neighborhood Watch program meeting Thursday night. fore it starts, Lowell residents Tracey Ligman and Jamie residents of Eastgate village. The residents listened to separate Kent County Sheriff Deputy John O'Rourke explain what they can do to establish a neighborhood watch program in Eastgate. 10648 Ligman.

Settlewood Drive, wants to establish a formal program for the 280-home subdivision. The formal program es-



LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS LUNCH MENU

MONDAY: Pizza with meat, cheese & pepperoni, fruit juice, carrot sticks and dip, canned or fresh fruit, milk.

TUESDAY: Breakfast for Lunch Orange juice, egg, sausage and cheese biscuit, hash brown potao patty, choice of fresh or canned fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Hot dog in a Bun, cole slaw, cookie bar, assorted ruit or gelatin, milk.

HURSDAY: Chicken nuggets, steamed peas, mashed potatoes and gravy, wheat dinner rolls & pnut butter, fruit selection, milk.

RIDAY: Red Arrow Sub Sandwich, tater tots, homemade soup, crackers, fresh or canned ruit, milk.

MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL

MONDAY: Pizza with meat. cheese & pepperoni or baked enchiladas, fruit juice, chef salad with bread, carrot sticks and dip or lettuce salad, canned or fresh ruit, milk.

TUESDAY: Breakfast for Lunch Orange juice, egg, sausage and heese biscuit, cheeseburger on a bun or chef salad with bread. hash brown potato patty, choice of fresh or canned fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Hot dog in a Bun nacho pieces with cheese or chef salad with bread, cole slaw or lettuce salad, homemade chili refried beans, cookie bar, issorted fruit or gelatin, milk,

HURSDAY: Chicken nuggets or readed pork patty or chef salad. teamed peas, mashed potatoes or rice and gravy, wheat dinner rolls & p-nut butter, fruit selection,

FRIDAY: Red Arrow Sub Sandwich or tuna salad in a pita or chef salad with bread, tater tots or oven French fries, homemade soup, crackers, fresh or canned fruit,

Veekly pre-paid lunches welcome.



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network for a designated area. If a problem arises in that area, Deputy O'Rourke will call Ligman who in turn calls the block captain of the area. The block captain then watches for any problems and informs the police department if anything happens.

According to Ligman, the ideal situation for their program is to have one block captain for every five houses. Currently she is well below the necessary volunteers, but she hopes to get more captains before the next meeting.

"We had a lot of people interested in helping us with the program who couldn't show up because of prior commitments, but we hope to get them committed before we meet again," said Ligman.

Ligman went on to explain that everyone who attended the meeting came away inspired to help with the program.

"Deputy O'Rourke said sometimes these programs take several years to get fully established, but I'm hoping to get it fully started within a year," said Ligman.

Residents wishing to help with the program or obtain more information can call Ligman at 897-7694 or contact the township hall at 897-7600.

PICK A

FAVORITE

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Tara Taylor Quinn remembers going down to the Lowell Levy with her grandfather, Walter Gumser, for dinner.

"They made the greatest chocolate shakes," Quinn recants with feeling you can see through the lines from her home phone in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Feeling that allows readers to see what's happening is characteristic of Quinn's Harlequin Romance novels.

"My best memories of Lowell are as a youth with my grandparents," she says. "I also remember stopping at the Dime Store on my way home from school and buying IL tootsie rolls."

Ouinn'sgrandfather served as Superintendent of Lowell Schools from 1926 until 1960.

She has incorporated pieces of her childhood days in Lowell into parts of her four emotionally compelling novels.

"In my second book, McGillus v. Wright, I incorporated parts of Lowell into it," she said.

Her first published book entitled "Yesterday's Secrets" was published in April of and earning a RITA Award



Tara Taylor Quinn

Quinn's romance writing ability is no longer a secret of serve as a measuring stick for days past. Despite her suc- Quinn to look back onto. In ceased brother, Walter cess, she is still surprised by the beginning the letters were

goal was just to get something personal: "They began to in- grave each time a book of hers published. After I got my first clude information about what is published. book published, then I wanted was good and bad about my to do it again. Then, after the work," Quinn said. second book I wanted to write a third With each success I learning her craft. The techni- paperbacks sold, 45 percent have reached, I've looked to cal aspects of writing. "No are romance books, according take it another step," Quinn matter how good a writer you to Quinn

book, "Loves Own Time," Quinn has set her sights on terization, they won't get their \$30,000 or more a year," reaching the best sellers' list work published," she says. (the Oscar of emotionally

compelling, futuristic and time through conversations she travel books).

"I didn't dare dream getting a book published was "People talk trigger story possible. I wanted to, but I didn't think I would." Ouinn different ideas into one story."

She says the dream became a reality when she began to and McGillus v. Wright, take herself seriously and started treating writing as a Love and her latest novel career as opposed to a hobby. Loves Own Time. She con-

Supporting her along the siders her latest book her best way has been her husband, to date. Kevin. "He's always believed in me. Kevin found good in motion so I had like six weeks the rejection letters," Ouinn to put it together. My editor

The rejection letters now work," she says. generic. Then, as her writing shared in. In his memory, "When I first started ,my progressed they became more Quinn has a rose put on his

The Scottsdale resident was are, if a person does not un-After completing a fourth derstand the technical aspects, ally compelling books are such as plotting and charac- college -educated and earning

Story ideas are created romance novels just appeal to

Freeze-ups holding City ransom

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

It's been a running problem that has drained the City of Lowell of \$2.000 a year for the last three years.

The monies lost stem from the City not billing some customers for anything more than their average water consumption. These are customers who run their tap water continuously during the cold winter months to prevent freeze-ups. This winter freeze preven-

tion program currently has 64 customers on the list. It has tomers on the list over the home owners to run their wa- un-heated basements, lines too years. It currently has 64 ter during the cold months. shallow and lines running unnames on the list. The list has been shortened through the to learn, there wasn't much of years by city projects, lower an attempt to investigate the people on the winter freeze lines and insulation.

rector Art Gall said he could whole process." only guess that the program was started a number of years said work has already begun that it never had a freeze-up ago because no one went to to assure that the City lines are problem, but was running its the trouble to determine if it safe. was the City's problem or the private home owner.

... To my extreme mortification, I grow wiser every day. -Lord Byron

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had as many as 100-plus cus- also sent out letters asking the lated walls and crawl spaces,

"From what I've been able der driveways. problem," Gall said. "The let- prevention program who don't Lowell Public Works Di- ters implicate the City in the know why they are on it.

The public works director Lowell Bus Garage. It reported

This work would include so by the City. Gall said the checking for shallow lines, problem was not with the bus Not only did the City just lines running under drivereduce the customers' rates, it ways, and lines running up tomers hooking up to the city against sanitary sewer man-

holes. All of these increase the chance of line freeze-ups. Gall adds that typically

there is no guarantee that solv- eral the problems lie with the ing city problems will correct property owner(s), he would private home owner problems like to recommend to no longer

Once there is assurance give a discount rate to custhe city lines are safe, then an tomers who are on the list, assumption can be made that following a notification. the problem lies on the private "The current project, which property. There are a number has already been started, is to of reasons line freeze-ups can assure that our (city) lines are occur. They include un-insu- safe," Gall said.

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Ouinn said.

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"They wanted it for a proalso thought it was my best

Work she wishes her de-"Wright" Gumser, could have

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"The readers of emotion-Ouinn said. "No longer do frumpy housewives."



Gall reports that there are

An example of this was the water because it was told to do garage, but instead with cusmain which runs to the bus

Gall said once the preventative work is done on part of the City, and in gen-



VERGENNES TOWNSHIP NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Vergennes Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, November 17, 1993 at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, to receive public comment on the following proposed amendments to the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance:

PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT

A proposed Ordinance No. 93-10 to amend the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance to provide for Planned Unit Developments under Section 125.286c of Michigan Public Act No. 184 of 1943 as amended (proposed new Section 201.429 of the Vergennes Township Ordinance).

A planned unit development would offer a controlled method for additional flexibility in utilization and development of parcels of land in appropriate locations. The proposed ordinance contains provisions substantially consistent with present land use planning and zoning requirements and would provide an alternative to the present grid pattern of development by making it possible to cluster structures while retaining essentially the same overall density for the total parcel and protecting natural features such as woods, streams and hills while making them available for general use of occupants of the parcel.

Before any parcel could be rezoned for Planned Unit Development, a detailed review and approval process would be required, ad follows:

An informal pre-application conference.

A preliminary development plan review, including an optional advisory public hearing and recommendations from the Planning Commission to the Township Board.

· Final development plan review by the Township Board, following review of the final plan by the Planning Commission and also following a pubic hearing by the Township Board on the final plan.

 If the property proposed for rezoning for **Planned Unit Development exceeds three acres** the Township Board may also require one or more additional statements or assessments. Such additional information could include market need, economic feasibility, fiscal statement and community, traffic, or environmental impact.

PRIVATE ROADS AND STREETS

proposed Ordinance No. 93-11 to provide additional detail on specific construction standards for private roads and streets (Section 202.005 of the Vergennes Township Ordinance).

The proposed amendments would provide a revised cross section drawing for Local Roads, including specific standards for private residential, commercial or industrial streets or roads, and widen dead-end turn arounds to an 80 foot diameter.

Copies of the above proposed ordinances can be reviewed at the Vergennes Township Hall from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Monday, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Written comments will also be considered if received by the Township Clerk prior to 7 p.m. on November 17, 1993.

> Gil Wise Chairman



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Notices in The Ledger's cal Society will hold its regu- Center, 314 S. Hudson St. "Coming Events" are free lar meetings at the Call 897-5949 for reservaof charge to any non-profit Township Office, 6059 organization in the Lowell, Linfield E., Alto. The meet-Ada, Alto, and Saranac ing is at 7:30 p.m. area. We prefer such notices to be kept brief and to be submitted by mail, but FOURTH MONDAY OF meets at 6:30 p.m. at will accept notices by phone EACH MONTH: American Cumberland Retirement at 897-9261

SECOND MONDAY EACH MONTH: The South Kent 4-H group regular EVERY1ST&3RDTUESmeetings at 7 p.m. in the DAY: Lowell Lions Club Alto Elementary School meets at 6:30 p.m. at Look cafeteria.

SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: The Lowell EVERY 1 ST & 3RD TUES- EVERY THURS - 10 a.m. Area Schools Board of Education meets at 7:30 p.m. meets at the V.F.W. in the Board of Education Clubroom, 307 E. Main St., office located in the Middle Lowell at 8:00 p.m. School, 12675 Foreman Road.

EVERY EVENING: Euchre will be evening at the Lowell Con- Pounds Sensibly Tops MI, 6038 played at the V.F.W. Post gregational Church No. 333. Saranac, meets 8303 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$1, prizes, Public and Hudson St. Weigh-ins the Saranac Public Library. welcome.

Anonymous New meeting. FOURTH TUES .: Qua-Ke-7:30 p.m. at Good Shep- Zik Sportsmen's Club - 7 p.m. herd Lutheran Church, meets at 8 p.m. at the Club 10305 Bluewater Hwy., building at 1400 Foreman EVERY Lowell. Call 361-5463. Road, Lowell. Come join us!

EACH MONTH: Golden Community Church. Ages meet 6 p.m. at Hale House (Senior Neighbors, WEDNESDAY: Rollaway 314 S. Hudson). Potluck. All are welcome.

Troop 102, for boys 11 and p.m. Sonshine Adventure up or completing the 5th Team for the girls for kids SATURDAYS & SUN- 5:15 to 7 p.m. \$6 for adults. grade, will meet from 7 to kindergarten and up. Christ DAYS: New hours at the 8:30 p.m. during the school Ambassadors for the youth Fallasburg Schoolhouse year in the Scout Cabin at (7 thru 12 grades) Chris- Museum, 2-6 p.m. "Across the end of North Washing- tian Clubs to help our the Covered Bridge from ton Street. Enjoy activities children grow through the Fallasburg Park." like hiking and camping and means of achievement prolearn skills that can last a grams, special activities, lifetime. For more informa- crafts, and basic moral tion call 897-8829.

SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: The 1ST WEDNESDAY: Men's

Legion Clark-Ellis Post 152 at Lowell VFW Hall, 307 E. for information. Main St. at 8 p.m.

South Hudson, Lowell.

DAY - V.F.W. Post 8303

TUESDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops #M MONDAY 1372 meets every Tuesday THURSDAYS - Take Off at 5:45 p.m.

EVERY TUES .: Support Post, 307 W. Main Street, SECOND MONDAY OF One, 7:30 p.m. at Saranac Lowell.

> Ltd. Senior Bowling, 1 p.m., 55 and over.

EVERY MON .: Boy Scout Rangers for the boys at 7 learning. For more info, call Christian Life Center, 3050 Alden Nash S.E., 897-1100

Bowne Township Histori- breakfast at Lowell Senior

LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR · 897-5949		
WEEKLY ACTIVITIES		
MON.: 8 a.m. Walkers.	WED.: 1 p.m. Shopping assistance.	
MON.: 12:45 p.m. Kitchen		
Band practice	THURS.: 9:30 a.m.	
TUES.: 8 a.m. Walkers.	Bingo.	
-	THURS.: 1 p.m. Euchre.	
SPECIAL EVENTS		
THURS, NOV. 11: Cen- ter closed - Veteran's Day.	WED., NOV. 24: 7:45 a.m. Women's traveling break- fast.	
TUES., NOV. 16: 12:45	iddt.	
p.m., Movies, GR.	THURS., Nov. 25: Closed Thanksgiving.	
WED., NOV. 17: 9:30	gring.	
a.m., Advisory Council.	FRI., NOV. 26: Center closed.	
THURS., NOV. 18: 8:30 a.m. Trip to Fennville Winery.	Make noon meal reservations three working days in advance.	

tions.

EACH MONTH: Alzheimers Support Group Village. Phone 897-4810

EVERY FIRST WEDNES-DAY: Lowell Area Jaycees meet at 7 p.m. at the Lowell City Hall. New members welcomed. Membership Memorial Fire Station, 21-39 years of age. Leadership training through community involvement.

> at the home of Linda Johnson. 3550 Alden Nash StE. Moms In Touch International. Mothers meeting to a.m. to 2 p.m. pray for their children and schools. All Lowell School mothers are invited

basement. Corner of Spring every Thursday evening at Weigh-ins at 6:45 p.m.

FIRST AND THIRD MONDAYS: Overeaters EVERY SECOND & THURSDAY: The Alto Lions Club meets at Dari's at

> SECOND THURSDAY: Lowell VFW Auxiliary No. 8303 meets at 3:30 p.m. at the VFW

EVERY SAT. - Lowell In- tries, 3300 E. Beltline N.E. dependent Amateur Radio Operators sponsor an information net on Frequency 147.420 Simplex - Lowell EVERY WED .: Royal Showboat Network.

EVERY THIRD SUN .: The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse at 18841 Potters Rd. Just east FIRST WEDNESDAY 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.

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MONTH: C.H.A.D.D., a support group for parents of children with Attention Deficit Disorder, meets at 7 p.m. at Sunshine Minis-For more information phone 248-CHAD (D).

WED., NOV. 10: Family style turkey dinner at Snow United Methodist Church, 3189 Snow Ave. Serving

NOTE DATE CHANGE -THURS, NOV. 11: Keenagers will meet at 10 a.m. at Vergennes Meth-



cess 6. Good winter needed, especially for kids. Clothes may be dropped

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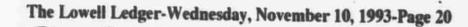
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