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## Future holds change for M-21/Bowes Road intersection

### •••Intersection study yields much discussion, no decisions

By Michael Lovell  
Lowell Ledger Intern

The results of the Alden Nash Avenue/Bowes Road/M-21 intersection were presented to the City Council.

The idea for the study was developed due to concern over the present safety of the existing intersection, and the future use of Bowes Road due to the opening of the new Lowell High School in September.

The main concern is to put some kind of signalization at the present intersection.

Seven options were developed by the engineering firm of WW Engineering & Science, Inc. Leaving the existing intersection unchanged was not one of the options due to previous studies indicating inadequacies in the intersection geometrics.

The Michigan Department of Transportation and the Kent County Road Commission also indicated that the intersection geometrics would have to be improved prior to signalization.

The options that were developed took into consideration five major criteria including transportation system, traffic, land use, utilities and environmental concerns. Three other factors that were also important were the amount of right-of-way that would be necessary to acquire, the cost of construction and the number of commercial properties that would be impacted.

Of the seven options developed, option 7 was recommended for the short term, which suggests that the entrance to Bowes Road from M-21 be closed, and a cul-de-

sac be built on Bowes to allow for residential use of the road.

The traffic counts show that at this time, it is not worth the money to move Bowes.

The phrase, "at this time" however is the key. A long-term plan for this area, and for Bowes Road remains to be developed.

First, it is difficult to predict the amount of traffic that will increase with the opening of the new High School.

Second, some citizens present at the meeting expressed concern that the traffic reports, which indicated light traffic on Bowes, were incorrect, and that actual traffic on Bowes was much greater. Some blamed this error on the fact that the study was conducted two years ago, and since then, traffic has increased.

Third, there is a gravel pit located on Bowes Road owned by the Grand Rapids Gravel Company. Although the company has no immediate plans for the site, a representative

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By Marc Popiolek  
Contributing Writer

In a joint effort to control traffic concerns at the Bowes Road and M-21 intersection, an engineering study was done to determine the best solution.

The outcome of that study has led to a difference of opinions by the city of Lowell and Lowell Township.

Seven plans suggesting a solution were mapped out and it was up to each board to decide which solution would be the best.

According to Lowell Township Supervisor John Timpson, the city of Lowell would like to choose a plan which would discontinue Bowes Rd. at the intersection and install a cul-de-sac to stop the traffic.

Timpson and other board members feel a cheaper and easier solution wasn't outlined in the study.

Lowell Township officials would like to see Bowes Rd. remain open, but only al-

### •••Township and city have differences of opinion on what's best for Bowes' intersection

low one-way traffic to travel east to Hudson and close off the west-bound traffic to M-21 with signs.

Traffic wishing to go into the trailer park, motel and other businesses would be allowed, but that traffic would be stopped before it reached M-21.

Timpson said closing Bowes Rd. would not help alleviate traffic congestion running through the city.

"This road is heavily used by east-bound M-21 traffic to bypass traffic in the downtown area. If it's closed, they might have more traffic problems," said Timpson.

The idea of closing Bowes Rd. came because the city and township planning commissions discussed putting a stop light at the intersection to help buses cross the

road. It was deemed dangerous by both commissions to have a bus cross that road without a light.

When the planning commissions approached the Michigan Department of Transportation about a light, the idea was turned down because the roads met at a 90-degree angle as opposed to a desired 45-degree angle.

The commissions felt blocking off the traffic, then restructuring the road, would help get a light installed at the intersection.

Lowell Township Clerk, Carol Wells, believes making the road one way going east could be enough to warrant a light.

"This is the cheapest and easiest option available. I think it should be tried first to

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## '94 graduates challenged to reach potential

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell High School Class of 1994 Valedictorian Micah Skidmore reflected with his fellow graduates on the changes that have taken place over the last few years.

He then reminded them of the greatest change each one will face. "Our biggest and greatest change facing us is not who we become today but who we become tomorrow."

The Class of 1994 was made up of 153 graduates. Its class colors were purple and white. Class president Shan-

non Bennett noted that the color purple stood for the graduates' future success and the color white for the new chapter in life they are about to embark on.

That journey will require character. Skidmore talked of the success Theodor Geisel (Dr. Seuss) realized only after enduring 23 rejections.

Following his 23rd rejection, Geisel was walking up the west side of New York City looking to dump his unpublished children's books into an incinerator. Into his journey, Geisel met up with a friend he had not seen in quite some time. His friend asked

what he was doing

Geisel replied he was an unsuccessful children's book author. Geisel then asked his friend what he was doing. The gentleman replied, "I'm a publisher of children's books."

"It is our challenge to reach and recognize our potential so that our future is rich and full for each of us," Skidmore said.

Salutatorian Adrian Schuster talked of how his four years at Lowell High School (13 in the Lowell school system) were more than just merely textbooks. "It has also helped us build character and beliefs."

He told his classmates

while change is important and may be the answer to some things, he stressed the importance of hanging onto the values that they have developed.

Barb Pierce, Lowell High School counselor, recognized the senior foreign exchange students - Martin Andersson, Sweden; Taras Baca, Slovakia; Kristian Magro, Australia; Michael Puknat, Germany; and Tomasz Zaprzala, Poland.

Joining Skidmore and Schuster as members of the Top 10 were Ann Kilpatrick, Andrea Richmond, Connie

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## Valentine named as Lowell's new police chief

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

There is "comfort" in familiarity.

There is no better sign of that than the Lowell Police Department.

It's fourth police chief, Barry Emmons, will serve his final day June 30 before moving on to Asheville, North Carolina.

Replacing Emmons will be

Jim Valentine - a face familiar to the city of Lowell. He will become Lowell's fifth police chief since Lowell became a city.

Valentine served as a patrol officer in Lowell from 1983 until 1992 before being promoted to detective in 1992.

The 20-year veteran of law enforcement spent 8 1/2 years on the Lake Odessa Police Department (six as sergeant).

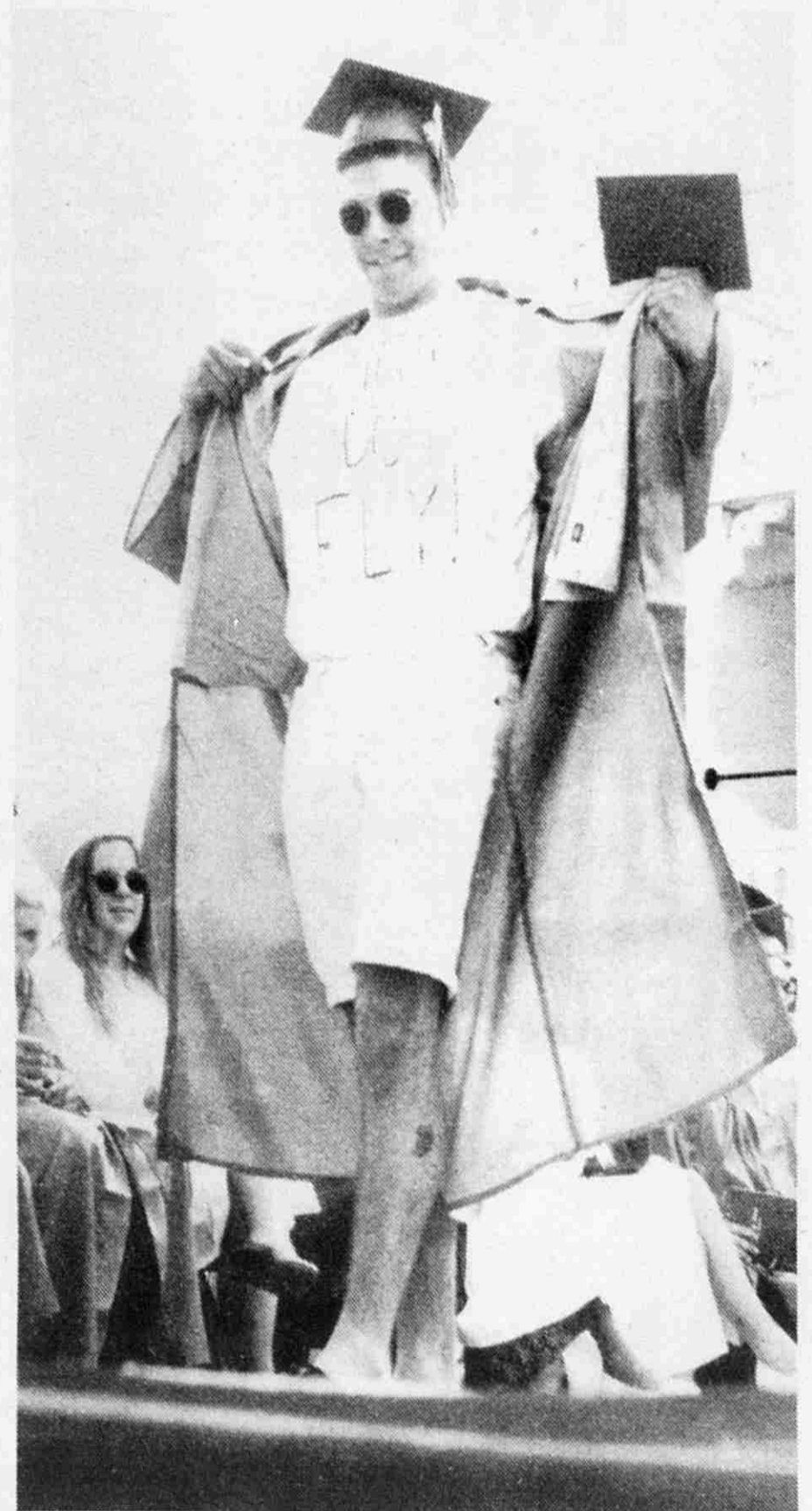
"I don't think the appointment to police chief has hit

yet," Valentine said. "I'm nervous in the sense that plans

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The 1994 LHS graduates were flying high after receiving their diplomas on Sunday. More graduation pictures page 29.

## OBITUARIES

**BOHNE** - Helen L. Bohne, aged 71, passed away May 31, 1994 at her home. Mrs. Bohne was born in Lowell to the parents of Wayne and Grace (Morrill) Sharp. She lived most of her life in the Jackson area and moved to Empire in 1984. She served as a Wave and worked for Consumers Power as executive secretary, a member of Alpha IOTA Security, a volunteer worker at Empire Library, Jackson Red Cross, and at Wiesen Enterprises as an accountant bookkeeper. Surviving are her husband, Dick Bohne; one daughter, Pamela Jean and Eric Johnson, Brooklyn, MI; one son, Michael Wayne Bohne, Port St. Lucia, FL.

**FIELD** - Norma Jean Field beloved wife of Byron D. Field, died May 24, 1994. She is survived by her children Susan and Gilbert (Grace) Field; sister, Maryan Siegel; grandchildren, Michael Redfield, Gwen, Colleen and Jeffrey Field. Funeral Service was held May 27 at White-Mullen Mortuary.

**GOGGINS** - Mrs. Dorothy M. Goggins, aged 82, of Lowell, went home to be with her

Lord on Monday, May 30, 1994. She was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, the Altar Society at St. Patrick's, a former member of Sweet Adeline's and an alumnus of Mt. Mercy Academy. She was organist and choir director at many churches including St. Alphonsus Catholic Church, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Bless Sacrament Catholic Church, St. Mary's Catholic Church in Lowell and St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Parnell. She also had her own show on WOOD Radio. She was known as the "Golden Voice of Radio." She is survived by her husband, James K. Goggins; her children, Mary Jo Middaugh and Anne and Jack Wood of Lowell, Kathleen and Pedro Rodriguez of E. Grand Rapids, James and Marti Goggins of Lowell, Michael and Susan Goggins of Muskegon and Patrick and Peggy Goggins of Sand Lake; 19 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Fran and Mary Ellen Goggins of Hastings, Bea Carmody and Sally Widorski both of Grand Rapids; several nieces and nephews. The Mass of Christian Burial was offered Friday morning at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Parnell with the Rev. Fr. Wayne Wheeler as celebrant. Burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the building fund at St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

**LA PREZE** - Melba J. LaPreze, aged 73, died Friday, June 3, 1994. She is survived by her brother, Lawrence and Dorothy (D.D.) Dygert of Alto; Aunt Audia Yeiter of Lowell. Funeral Services were held Monday with Rev. Todd Thompson of the Alto-Bowne Center United Methodist Church officiating.

**SWARTZ** - Jane Swartz, aged 77, of Greenville, died Thursday, June 2, 1994, at Butterworth Hospital. She was born March 1, 1917, in Greenville, the daughter of William and Margaret Jane Guba Callaghan. She was a member of St. Charles Catholic Church, the Alter Society and was on the St. Charles Cemetery Board for many years. She was also an avid bowler and was active in the bowling leagues for more than 55 years. She worked as an accountant for many years in local stores, including I.M. Rood Co. She is survived by her husband, Lewis Swartz, whom she married on November 18, 1942, in Remus; three daughters and two sons-in-law, Ann Swartz, Seattle, WA; Susan Swartz and her husband Greg Wolffe of Mil-

waukee, WI; Mary and Bryan Kimble of Lowell; two sons and one daughter-in-law, Ed and Sooky Swartz of Greenville; and Joe Swartz of Greenville; eight grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday at St. Charles Catholic Church, with Rev. Tom McKinney as celebrant. Burial in St. Charles Cemetery. Memorial contributions in her memory may be made to the St. Charles Catholic Cemetery.

## COLLEGE NEWS

Charles W.S. Dannison of Alto is one of 33 students serving as an orientation student leader this summer during Western Michigan University's orientation program.

Each leader is in charge of a small group of students during the nine three-day sessions between June 12 and July 19. The student leaders will help freshmen and their parents become acquainted with WMU's campus by giving tours, assisting students in registering for fall semester classes and facilitating student development and social activities.

More than 75 applications were received for the positions and 33 were hired in February to be a part of the team. They were selected on the basis of group and personal interviews, references, academic standing, curriculum, work experience and campus involvement in student organizations. "The competition to be an orientation leader is keen,"

said Donna StJohn, orientation coordinator. "To be selected signifies one of the highest honors the university can bestow on one of its students."

Prior to the start of the program, the leaders enroll in a four-week training class that covers academics, activities, housing, student development, group building, diversity and general University information. During the orientation sessions, they will be focusing on this year's theme, "Making History Together," by encouraging the freshmen to learn the traditions of WMU.

"Orientation student leaders play a key role in the orientation process because they are with the freshmen throughout the entire three-day program," StJohn said. "During the fall semester, the leaders will meet again with their freshmen to see how they are adapting to the university community."

About 2,750 freshmen and 1,800 parents are expected to attend orientation at WMU this summer.

Dannison, a sophomore majoring in theatre performance, is the son of Drs. Charles and Linda Dannison of Alto.

Toby Czarnopis of Lowell

has been named to the dean's list for spring term at Northwood University. The announcement was made by Timothy G. Nash, acting academic dean of the college.

Czarnopis, a senior, is the son of Margaret Czarnopis of Lowell.

To achieve dean's list recognition, students must earn a 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Northwood University is a private, accredited college specializing in managerial and entrepreneurial education offering two-and four-year degrees in a variety of enterprise fields. The college's newly developed Executive MBA program makes Northwood's free market-based degree offerings in management and entrepreneurship the most complete anywhere. The college emphasizes the importance of free enterprise and is dedicated to the preservation of the free market and the important relationship between business and the arts.

Hope College has released the dean's list for second semester of the 1993-94 school year. To be named to the dean's list, a student must have a minimum 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Included on the list was Katie L. Wills of Lowell, Gregg M. Gruizenga, Justin G. Grochoski and Thomas R. Engelsman, all of Ada.

## Water safety skills at the crest of fifth-grade program

Michael Lovell  
Lowell Ledger Intern

Who needs bathing suits to swim in the water? Not Cindy Young's fifth grade class from Bushnell Elementary, who took part in a water safety program Wednesday at the SE YMCA - with their clothes on!

Travis Anderson, one of the participants, climbed from the pool dripping wet but beaming and said, "It felt really weird because they stuck to you."

"Yeah!" cried Karrie Akers, as she dangled her legs in the water, "I felt like I was wearing bell-bottoms."

This was the third week of Young's class out of a four-week program in which the students are taught various aspects of water safety and rescue by the YMCA staff.

Survival swimming was the focus of today's class. The program was developed by Bushnell physical education teacher, Mark Russell, four years ago for Bushnell Elementary. After the first year, however, the program expanded to include both Alto and Runciman Schools. The fifth grade water safety program began after Christmas. Young's class is the last to finish the program.

Young said, "The program is very nice. I come here every week with the kids. Mark

Russell has really worked hard to organize the program."

Russell explained the program saying, "It is designed to teach basic water safety skills. They learn ice and boating safety, simple rescues, throwing assets, survival swimming as well as some swimming techniques such as treading water, and front and back floats. It's really great, and the kids have a great time."

Young added, "The kids really understand that this is more than just playing in the water. It takes the place of our gym time, but it's well worth the time we spend out of class. The YMCA has been great in providing instruction and practical learning to teach the kids water safety. Our PTO has also helped us with the costs."

The session began with some instruction by Betty Chanard, a YMCA supervisor and instructor for the program.

First the kids jumped in the water in groups of four with their clothes on and swam across the pool in order to get used to the feeling.

"OK," said Chanard, "now we're ready to try taking off our clothes in the water and inflate them to use as flotation." "What happens if we lose our pants at the deep end?" asks one fifth-grader to the immediate laughter of his classmates.

"Well," answered Chanard, playing along with the joke, "you're going to have to dive down and get them."

Chanard then called the first group to begin. They jumped into the water, inflated their shirts around their necks, then took off their pants and inflated those. The entire process took about three or four minutes per group.

"That is tiring," said one, climbing from the pool with an exhausted, yet triumphant smile. "It felt like the ground was pulling me down."

Tom Dawson said, "The water was warm, but very heavy with jeanson." Lyndsey Geer added, "It's hard to swim

with our clothes on."

After finishing, Doug Anchors explained the different water safety techniques they had learned. "We learned how to save people and different kinds of swimming. You can even save someone with a towel," he said as he demonstrated by lying down beside the pool and stretched a towel out to a classmate. "See?" he smiled.

When the groups were finished, Chanard got them together for a last minute talk before free time.

Chanard asked, "How many thought that this was hard?" Most of the class raised their hands at this. "Did you notice how some things hold air better than others? Blue



Joey Wisner learns about survival floatation. "I just sat there."

jeans and sweatpants get very heavy." The class all nodded their heads at this.

"Ok," said Chanard, "next week we are going to learn how to use a canoe, and fix it when it flips over and fills

with water." One student asked, "Where are we going to go canoeing?" "Right here in the pool," answered Chanard. Classmates slapped hands with each other and smiled in excitement for

next week. "Now it's time for free time," finished Chanard. Yelling fiercely, the class jumped in the pool, using the free time as best as they could until the session ended.

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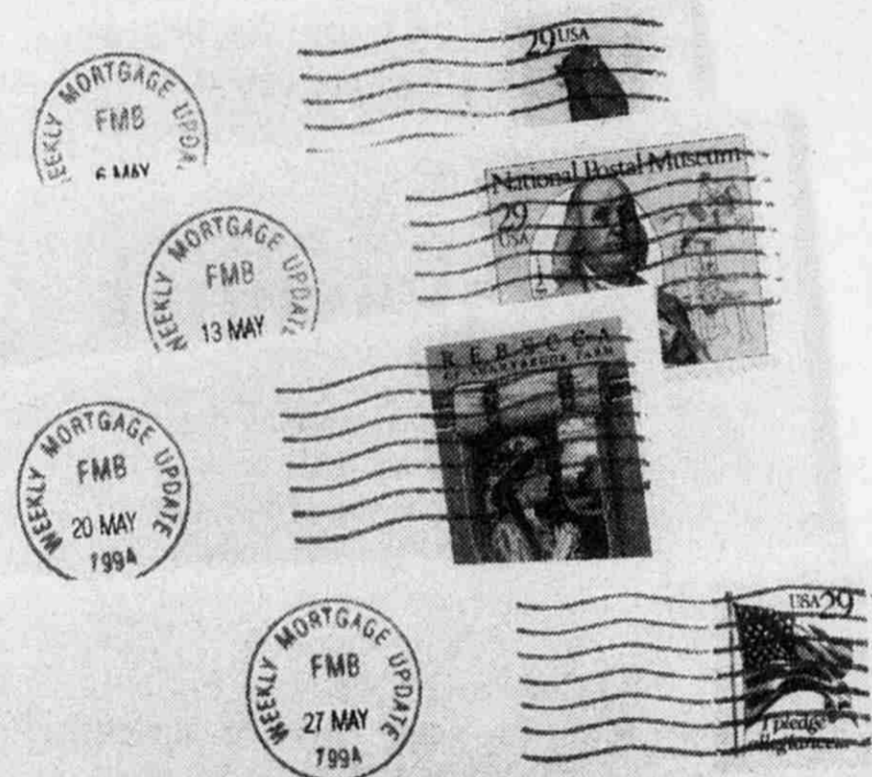
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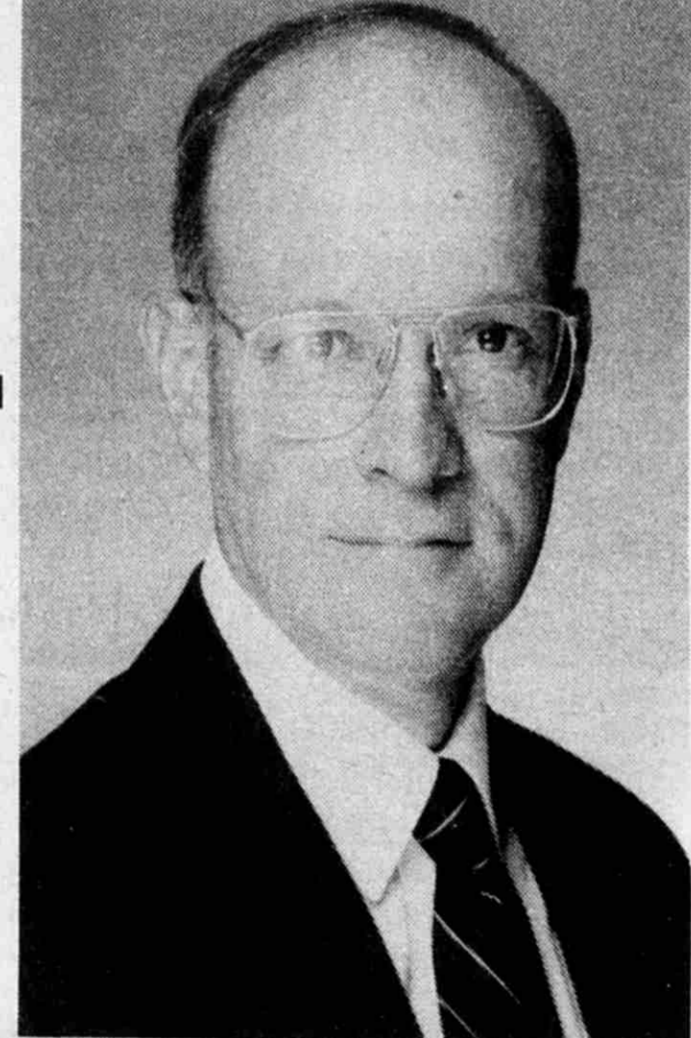
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- Vergennes Historical and Cemetery Commissions
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- Director, Natural Areas Conservancy of West Michigan (1986-92)
- Governor's appointee, Pigeon River Advisory Council
- Grand Rapids Metro Chair, Campaign for Michigan
- Chair, State Bar Civil Procedure Committee (1986-89)

**BACKGROUND**

- Lowell resident 19 years
- Wife: Ginny, (Curriculum Council, LAAC and YMCA Board)
- Children: Lindsay, 14; Michael, 11
- Graduate U of M (with distinction), Michigan Law School (magna cum laude)
- Capt. U.S. Marine Corps 1971-74
- Partner, Warner, Norcross & Judd

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Terri Dodson and Bradley Garrett

## Lowell couple plans December wedding

Marjorie and Jerry Dodson of Fremont and Phyllis and Richard Garrett of Lowell are proud to announce the engagement of their children, Terri Lynn and Bradley Sherwood.

They are currently studying education at Grand Valley State University and the future groom is pursuing a Master's Degree in English at Central Michigan University.

## Homespun Devotions

By Pauline Spray

*He hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised (Luke 4:18).*

Broken hearts come to people of all ages. The infant is heartbroken when his toy is snatched away from him. I remember how utterly heartbroken I was when my friends laughed and called me "the Dummy" while playing a game when I was a young child.

Teen-agers frequently experience broken hearts over disappointing "love affairs." With adulthood and middle age come more heartbreaking experiences—illnesses, financial loss, disappointments, unfulfilled dreams. And into old age, the story is the same.

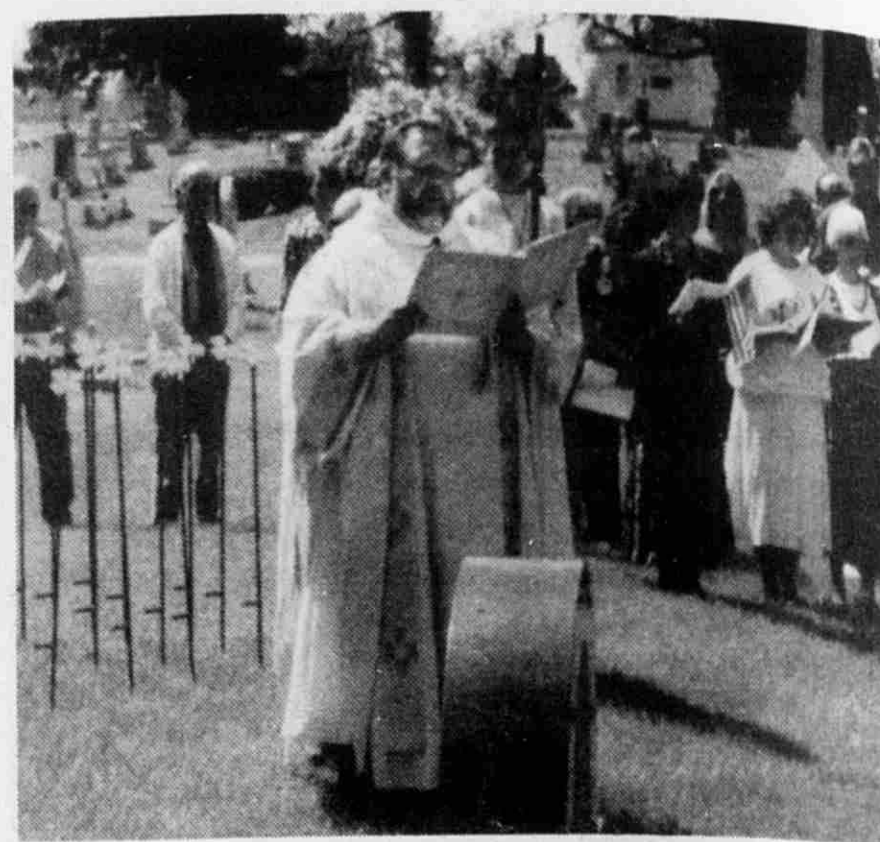
Not long ago our little grandmother was found crying because she thought her children didn't want her any more. When Jesus Christ was here on earth, He went about touching bereaved mankind.

Christ has not changed. He waits to comfort His children when they lose those things nearest and dearest to them, when misunderstandings come, hopes and dreams are smashed into a million pieces, friends betray confidences, and when they feel unwanted and alone.

He sustains when all else fails. He is a friend of "the brokenhearted."  
*Prayer: Precious Lord, Thou art ever near. Thou art ever waiting to comfort and sustain me. Touch my heart. Heal my wounds. Cheer my spirit. I trust Thee to do it now. Amen.*

Holy Ghost, with joy divine, Cheer this saddened heart of mine; Bid my many woes depart; Heal my wounded, bleeding heart.

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Father Wayne B. Wheeler Jr. announces to the congregation the names of the founding members of St. Patrick's Church.

## St. Patrick's Church celebrates sesquicentennial and founding fathers

Michael Lovell  
Lowell Ledger Intern

Singing the Battle Hymn of the Republic, the St. Patrick's church choir, led by the Rev. Father Wayne B. Wheeler Jr. and followed by the congregation, entered the cemetery and began a ceremony to honor the founders of their church.

As part of the St. Patrick Church's sesquicentennial celebration, the congregation took part in a ceremony in which metal shammocks were placed by the gravesites of each of the founding members of the church.

Ed Myers, a member of St. Patrick's, came up with the idea of the shammocks when he read a book entitled *Passing of the Gael* by Father John McGee. Father McGee, a prominent Irish priest from Grand Rapids, Mich., died in 1969.

What makes this election special is that there are eight candidates vying for the two four-year seats and three candidates running for the one-year term.

# Viewpoint . . .

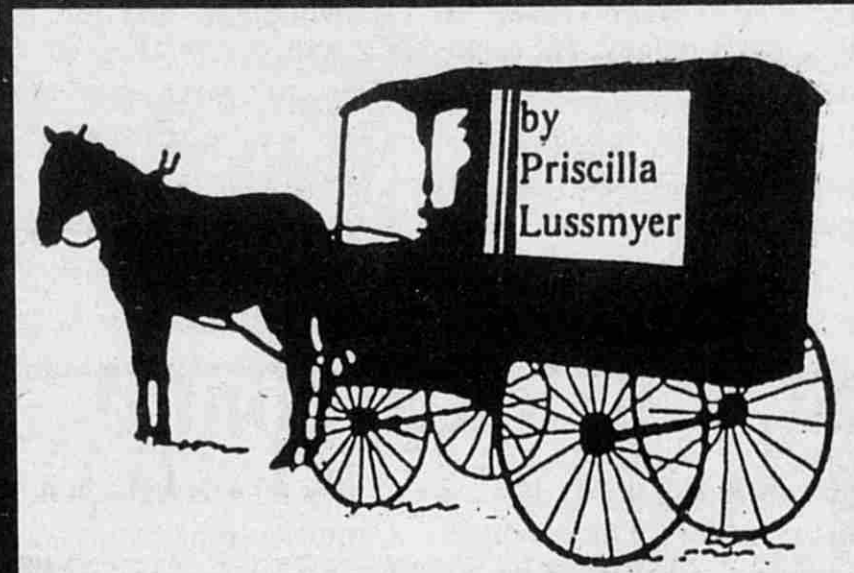
## Thad's Thoughts

In my seven, working on eight, years as a reporter and now as an editor here in Lowell, I'm not sure there's been an election with as much importance that has created as much discussion as the one that will take place Monday.

As readers of this column are well aware, I'm talking about the school board election that will be held on Monday (June 13).

Voters will let it be known at that time who they want to fill the two vacated four-year seats and who they want to fill the vacated one-year seat.

Both Memorial Day and Commencement exercises (for 23 graduates) are in this issue. The annual trip down the Grand River by the Grand Rapids Boat & Canoe Club was the best ever, with about 200 canoes making the route from Lowell to the Plainfield bridge.



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

Michigan legislators meet in special session to enact the federal ballot proposal, enabling servicemen to vote in the November elections by absentee ballot.

Farmers no longer have to have permits to slaughter and deliver livestock; moving meat into consumer channels will be much improved.

Seniors Roger Krum and Robert McCormick will not be graduating with the class tonight; they have been called to duty.

City Manager Bernard Olson's departure may be delayed for a few days to tie many loose ends.

A light turnout is predicted for the School District annual election, with only one incumbent up for reelection.

A junior-high first-aid class, practicing outdoors, prompts some anxious calls from people wondering about the bodies lying on the ground.

A 1/4 page Open Letter to the County Road Commission by George W. Welsh names the gravel road where he lives as a dangerous, accident-prone area which has received little attention despite numerous accidents.

Kevin was forced to be a part of the pirating that Captain Grey was behind, even though it was against everything he believed in.

Freedom did come, but the way in which it came, and the surprising twist to the story's end filled with excitement, left me "breathless on the beach." This is not a lengthy book and ten year olds and up will find it well worth the time it takes to read—even if you're not a pirate fan.

"This author is very popular with junior readers," Mrs. Aronson, the librarian smiled, as she handed me a copy of *Captain Grey* by Avi. *Confessions of Charlotte Doyle* preceded this newest adventure.

Not being much of a fan of pirate books, I still chose it, thinking, "Let's try something different." Junior book authors know how to keep your mind running with the adventure, and often I have found that putting the book down after a chapter is difficult to do. You just have to keep reading---it's gotcha!

*Captain Grey* was no different. 1783 was a year to be remembered for Kevin Cartwright. He and his father and sister had been captured by a murdering band of pirates and their leader, Captain Grey. For some unknown reason the captain took a liking to Kevin, but his family was murdered.

For those unable to attend any of the forums, or who didn't watch any of them on Lowell's cable access channel 22, take time and read through the election special which can be found in this week's Ledger. Hopefully, it will provide each of you with some insight to the candidates which will help you with your decision on election day.

Because of the high charged interest in the election, I asked Lowell Ledger publisher Roger Brown if I could organize a public forum. He granted me permission. I bring this up only because I believe weekly newspapers truly are and should be community papers - not just in reporting the news each week but in their service involvement in the community. I hope as my stay in Lowell grows over the years, the Ledger's community involvement grows with me.

My civic pride buttons are popping now. Hopefully yours will pop on Monday as you go out to vote.

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



### TENSION HEADACHES

Headaches can be caused by a variety of different factors, but by far, the most common type of headaches seen in a physician's office is the tension headache.

Tension headaches have been thought to be caused by muscle contraction of the scalp muscles with resulting pain, but the exact etiology of tension headaches is still unclear. Patients affected by tension headaches usually describe pain in a band-like distribution around the top of the head. Pain is usually constant and aching. Frequently the pain goes down the back of the neck. The pain of tension headaches is usually present on both sides of the head and tends to occur later in the day. These types of headaches are often precipitated by stress. Tension headaches can last from a few hours to a few days.

If you suffer from headaches your physician will usually obtain a history and perform an exam to differentiate tension headaches from true migraine headaches. A migraine headache is usually located on one side of the head and the pain is more throbbing in nature. Migraine headaches tend to be more disabling than tension headaches. Migraine headaches will often present with warning symptoms and they are frequently associated with nausea and vomiting.

The neurologic exam in patients with tension headaches is usually normal. Occasionally your physician may order other diagnostic tests (cat scan, MRI scan, etc.) to rule out other causes of headaches.

Treatment of tension headaches is usually very successful. We recommend dealing effectively with stress in your life that may be contributing to the headaches. Application of cool compresses or ice may improve symptoms. Massage and manipulation have been shown to improve tension headaches. Over the counter anti-inflammatory medications (ibuprofen) will often prove beneficial if taken in adequate doses. Occasionally your physician will need to provide stronger analgesics or daily preventive medication to successfully treat more stubborn tension headaches.

Almost always step-wise approach to treatment of tension headaches will provide the best relief with minimal risk or side effects.

If men could foresee the future, they would still behave as they do now.

—Russian Proverb

## To The Editor

Dear Editor:

We've seen them in other races for elected office. The Protest Candidates. We have several in our local board of education race. They are running with a collective burr

under their saddles.

Their common theme is negativism. They are against more things than could economically be listed here. And, they are asking you to vote for them and their private agen-

das (when some of those candidates are very erratic voters themselves). The reality is that the public school and its surrounding community are a co-operative system of people working together to make the future better for everyone. Enough negative things just happen without purposefully electing to have them happen. Another reality is that one

of the hardest to find, but most necessary, qualities in a school board member is the ability to see the big picture - to see all sides of an issue and then make a fair decision. After all, there are students, there are employees, there are parents, there are community members and businesses, all with an interest in the positive performance of the school board. Letters, cont'd, pg. 6

## AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

<b>ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH</b> 7227 Thornapple River Dr. 676-1032 Pastor: THOMAS J. BARTHA Morning Worship..... 10:00 A.M. Sunday School..... 11:20 A.M. Evening Worship..... 6:00 P.M. We invite you to make this community church your church home. WELCOME TO ALL	 <b>CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> REV. CARL J. REITSMA - 897-9836 1151 West Main Street, Lowell, MI Morning Worship..... 10:00 A.M. Sunday School..... 11:20 A.M. Evening Worship..... 6:00 P.M. Nursery available at both services Barrier-Free	<b>CORNERSTONE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> Meeting at the Middle School (12675 Foreman) Sunday Morning Worship and Children's Activities..... 10:00 A.M. Midweek Bible Studies and Youth Groups "LISTENING AND HELPING" 897-0077
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# Letters, continued...

Narrow minds, hidden agendas, and unreasonableness have no place in a great community nor in a school system that is on the brink of greatness.

The final reality is that children live what they learn. Do we really want them to learn to be negative and narrow-minded? Perpetually antagonistic and hostile? Or do we want them to know that the world can be a positive, progressive place where good things happen when people work together?

The malignancy of negative-thinking on the part of

elected officials takes a little piece of the heart out of a community.  
Marsha Wilcox  
Dear Voters:  
On June 13 I hope that all of you will go to the polls and support the candidate of your choice, but I urge you to look carefully at their motives for wanting to be members of the board of education.  
In no other position is the willingness to compromise so important. The board of education is and should be a microcosm of the total community and there is no room for those who believe their ideas or methods are the only solution to a problem.  
Some candidates, by their ads, would have you believe that they intend to vote "no" when other board members are voting "yes" and "yes" when the others are voting "no." Simply stated, this means that they have no interest in listening to the facts or being a constructive part of the discussion. This, "my way or the highway" concept, is not good for the district.  
Some candidates have attempted to raise the ire of the public by saying that the board

is trying to make the district like Forest Hills. For those who follow the Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP) scores, I urge you to obtain a copy of the May 27 issue of the Detroit Free Press. In two of three test areas, Lowell scored in the top 25 of all districts in the state. Forest Hills and East Grand Rapids ranked first and second in two test areas and both of those districts placed in the top six of the third test area. No other Kent County School District placed in the top twenty-five. While the MEAP test is just a snapshot of our system, it is also a reminder that we need school board members who are capable of seeing the progress that has been made and going forward with improvements, not those who will tear the system down and have no ideas for putting it back together.  
When you choose a candidate, pick someone who is full of ideas and is willing to hear what others say; they are the ones who will be listened to when they speak.  
As for the candidates who ride and beat the same horse everyday, when the horse is dead, so are they.  
Ray Quada

is a sense of trust between many people. In Lowell, school is not just school; we learn by activities what students enjoy and have fun with. I am on the student council and recently we traveled to another school. I have always felt proud of our school, but this made me appreciate it even more. It seemed that no one trusted anyone, and no one was happy.  
Lowell has the best teachers that any school system can get. For those of you who think they are overpaid, let me tell you they earn every penny they get. They deal with many problems every day and I believe that they have the hardest job there is.  
Lately, many people complain about the problem with money. We are not alone; many other schools are going through the same problems we are. Besides, Lowell has something that no amount of money can buy: trust, happy environment, and the best teachers.  
Thanks L.W., C.B., J.N., M.M., J.H., S.W., S.V., C.P., J.H., A.B.  
Beth Hoag

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Contributing Writer

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**Lowell Area Schools Board of Education Candidate One-Year Term**  
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EDUCATION  
K-12th Caledonia Schools 1964  
Butterworth School of Nursing 1967 - Registered Nurse  
Grand Valley State College 1972 - B.S. Psychology/Sociology Major

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY  
• Pine Rest Adolescent Unit: Supervisor, Continual Care Areas  
• Butterworth Hospital: Neonatal, General Med Surgery, ICU, Emergency Room 8 yrs.  
• Grand Rapids Public School Nurse for 7 yrs.  
Lincoln School: Elementary, Middle School, & Alternative Ed Program  
• Project Rehab - Methadone Program  
• Country Roads - Family owned manufacturing facility in Belding - In charge of production and financial areas for last 10 years.

FAMILY  
Husband - Frank  
2 Stepchildren 29 and 30 years old  
Children at home: son 13 years old in 8th grade, daughter 10 years old in 4th grade

VOLUNTEER  
For school classrooms - 6 years  
For 5th grade camp - 4 years

**ISSUES FACING LOWELL BOARD OF EDUCATION:**  
**Improve communication between parents and school staff, administration & board.**

- Re-establish a positive community feeling towards the school.
- Open lines of communications between parents, board members, community groups, administrators and teachers.
- Establish clear cut ways of receiving input on issues from each group.
- Timely response to written and verbal questions.
- Creative and inventive scheduling of our resources for optimum use.

**Input from community on problem solving:**

- Curriculum
- Busing
- Technology
- Money Allocations

*"My business and financial experience has taught me to respect the process of controlling budgets. I feel my input in this area would be an asset to the community."*

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## St. Patrick's, cont'd...

ids, included in his book a listing of the 29 names of the founding members of the St. Patrick's Church.  
Myers coupled this information with knowledge provided by Pat Nugent, an amateur historian and parish member, that 22 of the 29 individuals were buried within the church's cemetery.  
As part of the 150 year anniversary, Myers wanted to recognize these individuals who helped build the parish that today includes over 650 families. "We had a good turnout," Myers said.  
The ceremony began with ordinary mass, followed by the moving of the congregation to the cemetery located across the street. Once there, Father Wheeler read off the names, and as each name was called, a descendant of the founder or a representative picked up a shamrock, went next to the gravesite, and planted the shamrock at each monument.  
The shamrock placement, or Memorial Day celebration, is not the only event planned for the St. Patrick's parish, however.  
The parish is sponsoring a number of activities ranging from the annual St. Patrick Church Festival June 25 and 26 to the Sesquicentennial celebration August 13 and 14 in which Governor Engler may appear. "We sent a letter to Gov. Engler informing him of the event but haven't heard back from him. I think that if he doesn't have something already planned, he'll show up," said Myers hopefully.  
The parish events continue until late fall and promise to be well attended and a lot of fun.

**LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS**  
**NOTICE OF TESTING**  
**OPTEC COMPUTER PROGRAM FOR THE JUNE 13, 1994 ANNUAL ELECTION**  
Notice is hereby given that the OPTEC Computer Program Testing for the June 13, 1994 Annual Election will be conducted Thursday, June 9, 1994 at 5:00 P.M. at the Lowell City Hall, 301 E. Main St., Lowell, MI.

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## City Council reviews budget & millage rate

Michael Lovell  
Lowell Ledger Intern

Lowell City Council discussed the revised operating budget for 1994-1995, the millage rate and the public hearings for the truth-in-taxation at the June 6 City Council meeting.  
Basically, the city is looking at the same budget as last year.  
This year, however, the city is looking to create a master plan for the sewer system. City Manager David Pasquale

has been budgeted to take care of these problems.  
Pasquale said, "There is not enough money to do everything that we want. We have a big list. It's frustrating that we don't have the dollars, but we want to do as much as we can in the downtown area. Sidewalks, lighting and landscaping all need to be improved."  
The budget passed with a vote of 5-0.  
The millage rate passed with a vote of 5-0 at a rate of 13.85 mills. Under the truth-in-taxation laws in Michigan, revenues are to be the same as last year.  
This year, revenue has increased due to property rate appreciation. The state says that the city cannot assume the extra revenue without a public hearing and vote of the council, so the millage rate must be backed down; however, the city passed the vote holding the millage at the same rate as last year.

## Township eliminates logos & saves \$3,000

By Marc Popielek  
Contributing Writer

It's not often the cost of a major project that turns out to be less than expected, but for Lowell Township that will be the case in regards to the new water tower.  
The cost of putting up a new water tower and line to serve the new high school was projected to cost \$500,000. However, that cost will be \$3,000 less just by eliminating two logos on the tower.  
Initially the water tower was to be painted blue and then have the logo "Lowell Township" painted on both sides. The township felt painting the name on the tower was inappropriate and asked the contractor for a new bid. That new bid turned out to be \$3,000 less than the original.  
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## Library seeks funds for building maintenance

By Marc Popielek  
Contributing Writer

To help pay for the cost of maintaining the Lowell library building, the Lowell library board has asked Lowell Township to give them \$83.  
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proached the city of Lowell about the problem and they told her to devise a plan where the city would pay half of the total cost and Lowell and Vergennes Townships, would split the other half.  
John Timpson, Lowell Township Supervisor, felt the request was not out of line as long as a contract wasn't needed.  
"We can give the library the extra money to keep the building up; we just don't want to enter into a contract with the library to provide this on a yearly basis," said Timpson.  
Aronson said if the mill-

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**Lowell Area Schools Board of Education Candidate Four Year Term**  
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Education  
K-12th grade Grandville Public Schools  
A.A., Grand Rapids Junior College  
B.S. of Accountancy, Ferris State College

Work Experience  
• International public accounting firm - tax and auditing experience  
• Accounting Manager for a local manufacturer  
• Assistant Divisional Controller for Allied Stores, Inc.  
• Auditor for Meijer, Inc.  
• Self employed financial consultant  
• Currently Controller for Concept Industries

Family  
Married for 16 years  
Lived in Lowell for 12 years  
2 daughters: age 7 and 16 months

Community Service  
Special Education  
Special Education Parent Support Person (Our son was in special education.)  
Conducted workshops for parents on special education laws. Participated in a series of forums for the reorganization of health insurance provided for high risk children.  
Researched and organized the material for our newest workshop on Transition: out of the public school system and into vocational training and/or supported employment settings.

Alto Elementary  
Developed and taught a Spanish curriculum for the kindergarten class during 1993.

Local Church  
Worked with the high school group both as mentor and support crew for their annual 300 mile bike trip. Directed the young children's choir and the Christmas Program. Assumed leadership in the music area for worship.

Exchange Student Hosts  
Hosted many exchange students from Chile, Japan, and Sweden.

**ISSUES FACING LOWELL BOARD OF EDUCATION:**  
**Cost Containment**  
Simple sensible measures need to be consistently implemented such as:  
• Bidding out goods and services.  
• Writing bid specifications in a generic manner without specifying brand names.  
• Looking for alternatives to ongoing costs i.e. naturalizing areas instead of mowing.  
• Maintain the highest level of staffing and benefits at the most reasonable cost.  
• Financial reporting must include budget numbers before 5 months into the school year so areas are monitored and held accountable for their spending.

**Technology**

- Providing the proper tools and training for our kids so that they can be on an equal or superior competitive edge with their peers.
- Computers need to be readily available at the elementary level, with keyboarding completed in the early grades, rather than high school as it is now.

**Communication**

- The board, administration, and staff need to be available to parents on a regular basis.
- Times of availability need to be published and follow-up taken seriously. All meetings, workshops, and forums need to be published well in advance.
- Each board committee should report what they are working on and pertinent information reported at the board meetings.

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## Valentine, continued....

need to be prioritized." One of those plans will include relocating from Lake Odessa to Lowell. Valentine graduated from Lakewood High School in 1972. Following high school he attended Lansing Community College before enrolling in the eight-week West Michigan Police Academy in Muskegon.

## Intersection, continued....

present at the meeting said that the pit will be used sometime in the far future, and that gravel trucks driving down a small residential street might be undesirable. A representative from the Lowell Township summed up the obvious dilemma, stating, "It all depends on the city's view of Bowes. Do they see it as a bypass of M-21 on the way to I-96 or do they see it as

out responsibility through the department so goals can be accomplished. Department goals cannot be accomplished by one's self," Valentine said. He credits his predecessor (Emmons) with supporting his staff and allowing him a lot of leeway and involvement in administrative responsibilities. The Lowell detective said he had an opportunity to join the Muskegon Police Department six or seven years ago

caused concerns among those who lived off of Bowes, and who were faced with the dilemma of getting to their homes on a one-way street. After a discussion of more than one hour, councilman Hodgess said, "Option 1 is preferable for the long term, but an overall master plan for the area is still in the works." Option 1 causes Bowes to be straightened, connecting the

but, through his own personal evaluation, determined that he liked the identity, contact and involvement that a small town has to offer versus the big city. "There will be a transition from detective to police chief. As detective I carried out someone else's plans and goals. As police chief I will be delegating it," Valentine said. "I hope the Lowell Police Department under my guidance will continue to ser-

vice the community with the expected level of service that exists." Valentine was one of two candidates considered for the post. Both were from within the department. The other candidate was Sergeant Al Eckman. "It was a tough decision the city manager had to make," said Emmons. "Either choice would have been good for the city of Lowell. I support the

decision. Jim will be an outstanding chief for the department, the citizens and the community." Both Valentine and Eckman vowed that no matter who was selected, the other would provide support.

make when both candidates are from a small department in a community." Helping Lowell City Manager Dave Pasquale with the interview process were police chiefs from Cadillac, Holland and Spring Lake/Ferrysburg. "I wanted people involved who didn't know the candidates so there were unbiased opinions involved," Pasquale said. "It's a difficult decision to

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## Grads, continued

Kelly, Robert Berrington, Bennett, Carl Moore, Jennifer Idema and Kevin Vezino. There were 60 students in the Class of 1994 who graduated with grade point averages of 3.0 or higher. The class motto was "It's time for a new generation of leadership... For there is a new world to be won." JFK. The class flower was the orchid.

## Basketball camp available for fourth through ninth-graders

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell basketball enthusiasts will have a chance to improve their basketball skills June 20-24. The five-day basketball camp will include shooting instructions and drills, one-on-one hot-shot and free-throw tournaments, shooting drills

and individualized charts of strengths and weaknesses in shooting. In addition to shooting, the basketball camp will also help players work on offensive fundamentals such as driving, passing, pivoting and dribbling. The first session will take place from 9 a.m. until noon at the current high school gym-

nasium. The session will be for fourth-fifth and sixth-graders (co-ed). Session two will run from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. at the current high school. It will be for boys in seventh, eighth, and ninth grades. The cost for both sessions will be \$30. Checks can be made payable to Phillip Beachler. They can be mailed to him at 750

Foreman Rd., Lowell, MI 49331. Each player will receive a DC sports basketball. Prizes will be awarded to winners of the competitions.

### LOWELL BASKETBALL CAMP REGISTRATION

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 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Session Two - \$30 \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Make checks payable and return to:  
 Grade (Sept. 1994): \_\_\_\_\_ Phillip Beachler  
 750 Foreman Rd  
 Lowell, MI 49331  
 897-7821

## Wyntjes and Dumas scholarships added to list

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The awareness of local scholarships cannot be overstated in Lowell. There are approximately 17 local scholarships awarded to high school seniors each year. Some of the scholarships recognize as many as 15 students and some recognize just one student.

This year two more scholarships were added to the list. They are the Wyntjes and Dr. James and Elnora Dumas Scholarships.

The Wyntjes Scholarship is for students pursuing studies in the medical field. In its first year, Wyntjes Scholarships of \$1,500 each were awarded to senior Ann Kilpatrick and continuing grad, Stacy Davis (Indiana University). The scholarship allows applicants to re-apply each year as long as they meet the scholarship's minimum requirements which include do-

ing well academically and remaining in the study of medicine. Michael Dumas announced that beginning with this school year, two \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded in the name of his parents (Dr. James and Elnora Dumas). This year's recipients of the Dr. James and Elnora Dumas Scholarship were seniors George Ponchaud and Emily Davis.

Criteria used in making the selections were academic records, character, plans to attend college and athletic background.

Dumas said the scholarships are a way for him to give something back to the Lowell community for his good fortune. Dumas, a 1986 graduate from Lowell High School, was also an All-Conference football player in the Big 10 for Indiana University. He now plays professional football for the Houston Oilers, a member of the AFC central division.

## Bowes, continued

see if it will be successful," said Wells. "If it's successful, they might put a light up. They have lights at other intersections like the one we're proposing."

Timpson said he would pursue the matter more with the city before deciding on a solution.

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## ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION OF THE ELECTORS OF LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS, KENT AND IONIA COUNTIES, MICHIGAN, TO BE HELD JUNE 13, 1994**

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the annual election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 13, 1994.

THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING AND CLOSE AT 8 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

At the annual school election there will be elected two (2) members to the board of education of the district for full terms of four (4) years ending in 1998, and one (1) member for an unexpired term of one (1) year ending in 1995.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS HAVE BEEN NOMINATED TO FILL SUCH VACANCIES:

<p><b>FOUR-YEAR TERMS</b> Debra Anchors Joe Barnella Mark R. Blanding Dennis P. Brown Peter L. Gustafson Dale B. Hanson Thomas W. Heintzleman Ellen McClain</p>	<p><b>ONE-YEAR TERM</b> Warren Jousma Ann Mulder Wendy Southwell</p>
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THE VOTING PLACES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

PRECINCT NO. 1  
Voting Place: Runciman Elementary School, 300 High Street, Lowell, Michigan. The first precinct consists of the city of Lowell and those portions lying north of the centerline of Cascade Road in Cascade and Lowell Townships in Kent County, and Boston Township in Ionia County.

PRECINCT NO. 2  
Voting Place: Old Township Hall, 8240 Alden Nash Road, Alto, Michigan. The second precinct consists of Bowne Township in Kent County and those portions lying south of the centerline of Cascade Road in Cascade and Lowell Townships in Kent County, and Boston Township in Ionia County.

PRECINCT NO. 3  
Voting Place: Vergennes Township Hall, corner of Bailey Drive and Parnell Avenue in Vergennes Township. The third precinct consists of the townships of Ada, Cannon, Grattan, and Vergennes in Kent County, and Keene Township in Ionia County.

All school electors who are registered with the city or township clerk of the city or township in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election.

This Notice is given by order of the board of education.

Norman Byrne  
Secretary, Board of Education

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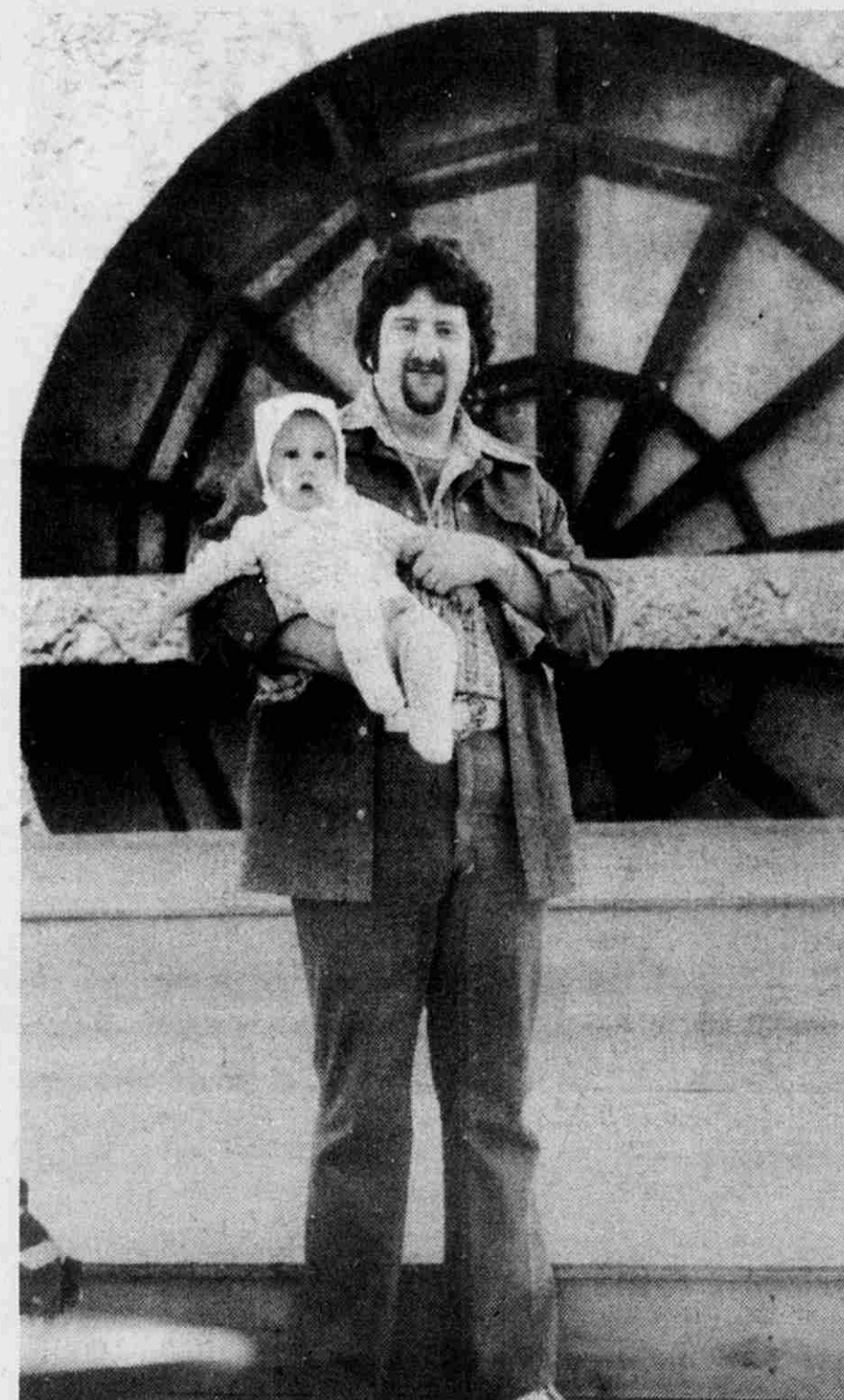
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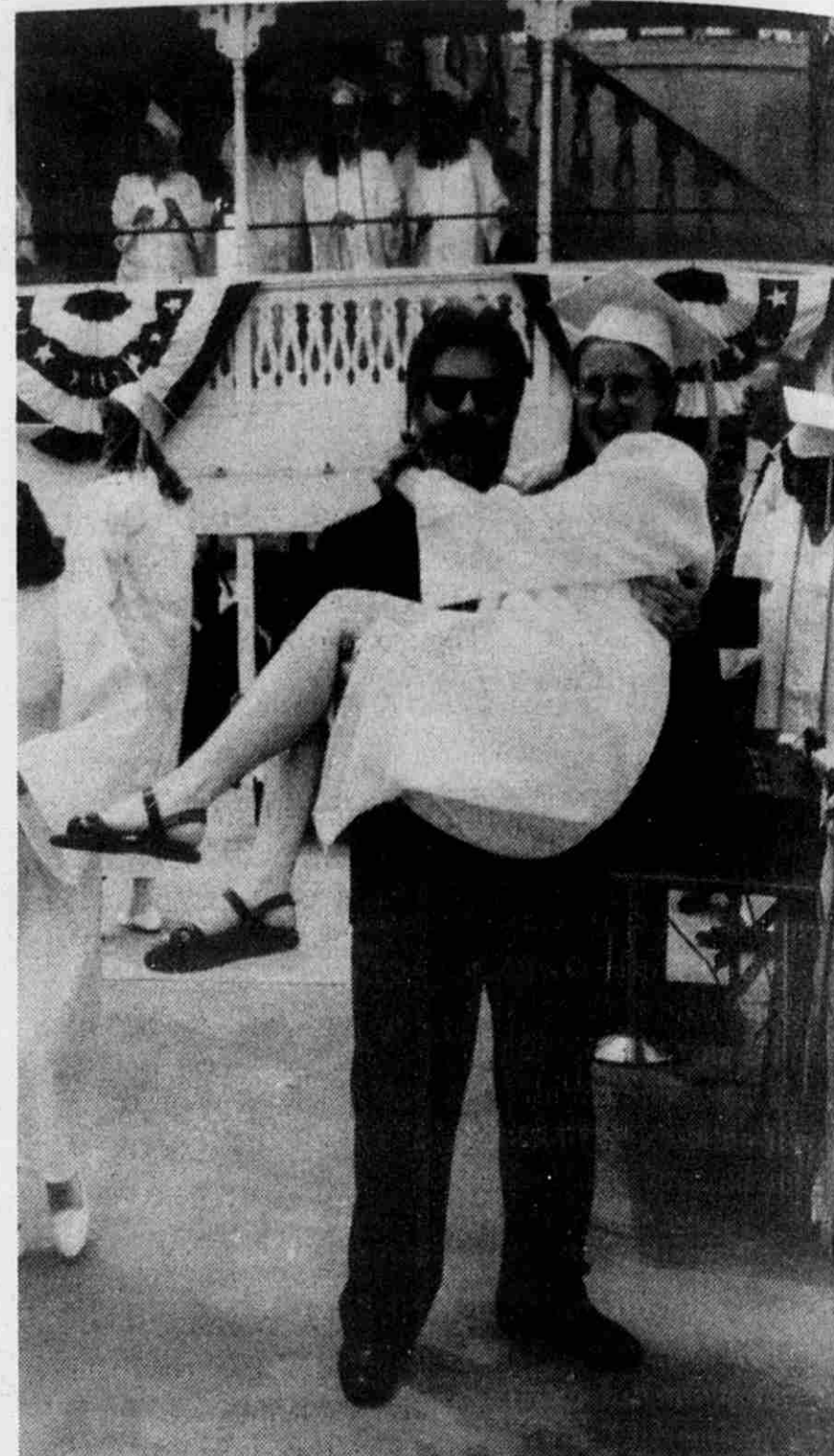
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## Lowell graduate and father take center stage again

As a member of the Danny Davis & the Nashville Brass, Phillip Jones graced the Lowell Showboat Amphitheatre stage nearly 18 years ago. In his arms was his little baby girl Jessica. Jones returned to the amphitheatre on Sunday to watch his little girl - now an 18-year-old Lowell graduate - receive her diploma. Sunday, Jones held Jessica again on center stage of the amphitheatre following the graduation ceremony. Jessica and her mother Sandra (John) Merritt moved to Lowell from Tennessee. Jones now lives in Edgewater, New Jersey.



# Lowell High School senior awards & scholarships

<b>Social Studies Awards</b> Jack Ogle	Liz Arnold, Shannon Bennett, Chris Scoles, Emily Davis, Micah Skidmore	<b>Creative Writing Award</b> Laurie Kuna	Ann Kilpatrick, Elizabeth Arnold, Donna Abel	Scholarship	Annette Mutchler	Scholarship, Grand Valley State University Award for Excellence Scholarship, Grand Valley State University Provost Incentive Award, Michigan Technological University
<b>Model UN</b>	Micah Skidmore, Jerry Winsor, Steve Stepek, Adrian Schuster, Liz Arnold, Shannon Bennett, Chris Scoles, Levi Harper, Tomasz Zaprzala	<b>English Awards</b> Dr. Jill VanAntwerp	Elizabeth Arnold, Bob Berrington, Brenda Bitrick, Jennifer Copeland, Jennifer Idema, Jessica Jones, Connie Kelly, Ann Kilpatrick, Sarah Matyczyn, Ashley Olin, Andrea Richmond, Adrian Schuster	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Davenport College Presidential Scholarship
<b>Athletic Awards</b> Tom Stahr	Lisa Allchin, Martin Andersson, Elizabeth Arnold, Holly Bauman, Shannon Bennett, Brenda Bitrick, Ryan Boersma, Erin Bryant, Phil Catlin, Curt Coleman, Kathy Craig, Emily Davis, Scott Denton, Betsy Elzinga, Tera Hammond, Levi Harper, Jody Hoffman, Dan Huizenga, Chris Kamphuis, Rob Kennedy, Brad Kinyon, Cory Kirkbride, Sara Kropf, Kathy Krul, Chuck Lupton, Kristian Magro, Joe Minier, Carl Moore, Chris Nauta, Matt Nowak, Ashley Olin, Alethea Parmenter, Ryan Pawloski, Bruce Phillips, Cutter Phillips, George Ponchaud, Andrea Richmond, Adrian Schuster, Chris Scoles, Kelly Smith, Sean Smith, Amy Stauffer, Rich Stouffer, Andy Tichelaar, Ryan White, Mandy Wills, Jerry Winsor, Jim Young	<b>French Awards</b> Ingrid Baird	Ann Kilpatrick, Jennifer Idema, Micah Skidmore	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Peter and Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship
		<b>Albert Annibali</b> Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship	Sara Hecksel	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, ROTC Scholarship, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
		<b>Elizabeth Arnold</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, C. H. Runciman Scholarship	<b>Tracey Hobbs</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Peter and Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Academic Leadership Award, Aquinas College Presidential Merit Scholar, St. Mary's College Geff Reinke Scholarship, Lowell Women's Club Scholarship, General Scholarship, Lowell Education Association
		<b>Hollida Bauman</b> Trustees Scholarship, Grand Rapids Community College, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship	<b>Jody Hoffman</b> Michigan Business School Association Scholarship, Davenport College, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Award for Excellence Scholarship, Grand Valley State University, Trotter Tri-County Scholarship, Grand Valley State University, Peter and Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship, Lowell Women's Club Scholarship, Roger Scholarship, Lowell Education Association
		<b>Shannon Bennett</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Trotter Tri-County Scholarship, Grand Valley State University	<b>Daniel Huizenga, II</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, University of Michigan, Grand Rapids Press Superstar Senior Presidential Scholarship, Calvin College Dependent Scholarship, Lowell Education Association, The Detroit Free Press Athlete-Scholar Award, Chris Burch Scholarship
		<b>Robert Berrington, III</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Faculty Scholarship, Grand Valley State University Award for Excellence Scholarship, Grand Valley State University, Distinguished Scholarship, Grand Rapids Community College	<b>Jennifer Idema</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, R. O. S. E. Award from YMCA, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, General Scholarship, Lowell Education Association	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Western Michigan University
		<b>Brenda Bitrick</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship	<b>Stephanie Brown</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Trustee Scholarship, Davenport College Presidential Scholarship, Olivet College	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Excellence Scholarship, Western Michigan University
		<b>Tim Bott</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship	<b>Connie Kelly</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, College Days Scholarship, North Central Bible College, Decade of Harvest Scholarship, Christian Life Center, Minneapolis, MN, National Youth Scholarship, Michigan District, Peter and Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship, Louise Harper Memorial Fine Arts Scholarship	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Excellence Scholarship, Western Michigan University
		<b>Stephanie Brown</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Trustee Scholarship, Davenport College Presidential Scholarship, Olivet College	<b>April Clark (Leach)</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Western Michigan University Achievement Scholarship	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Excellence Scholarship, Western Michigan University
		<b>Robert Cilley</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship	<b>Curtis Coleman</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Foundation Scholarship, Grand Rapids Community College	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Excellence Scholarship, Western Michigan University
		<b>April Clark (Leach)</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Western Michigan University Achievement Scholarship	<b>Katherine Craig</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Excellence Scholarship, Western Michigan University
		<b>Emily Davis</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Peter and Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship, Dr. James and Elinora Dumas Scholarship	<b>Emily Davis</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Peter and Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship, Dr. James and Elinora Dumas Scholarship	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Excellence Scholarship, Western Michigan University
		<b>Lindsey DenBoer</b> Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship	<b>Robert Loughlin</b> W. MI United Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Association, Grand Rapids Community College	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Excellence Scholarship, Western Michigan University
		<b>Joshua Fuller</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Trustees Scholarship, Grand Rapids Community College	<b>Jennifer Haan</b> Margaret McMahon Scholarship	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Excellence Scholarship, Western Michigan University
		<b>Levi Harper</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Board of Control Scholarship, Michigan Technological University Merit Scholarship, Michigan Technological University Dependent Scholarship, Lowell Education Association	<b>Levi Harper</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Board of Control Scholarship, Michigan Technological University Merit Scholarship, Michigan Technological University Dependent Scholarship, Lowell Education Association	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Excellence Scholarship, Western Michigan University
		<b>Louise Harper Memorial Scholarship</b> Connie Kelly	<b>Levi Harper</b> State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Board of Control Scholarship, Michigan Technological University Merit Scholarship, Michigan Technological University Dependent Scholarship, Lowell Education Association	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Excellence Scholarship, Western Michigan University
		<b>Journalism Award</b> Laurie Kuna	Donna Abel	Scholarship	Andrew Tichelaar	State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Excellence Scholarship, Western Michigan University

## CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Main) will come to town. Ron McCollum, owner of the proposed site, stated that the diner is expected to arrive in the fall.

**Item #13. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT.** City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:  
A. Pasquale asked whether the Council had reviewed the proposed sidewalk installation in front of the Public Works Garage. Councilmember Green stated he had not visited the site. However, he did not have a problem with placing in a sidewalk at that location. Councilmember Shores questioned how long ago the asphalt driveway had been constructed and whether it would be deteriorating in the near future. Dan DesJarden, Streets and Parks Supervisor, responded that the asphalt will not decay. When the driveway was paved, it was not known where the sidewalk would be installed. When the Fire Station was constructed, the sidewalk

grade was set. Councilmember Thompson said that he walks the area frequently and has never had a problem. Councilmember Hodges felt that by requiring others to install sidewalks, the City should be required to do the same in public areas. City Manager Pasquale noted that the sidewalk should be installed correctly. Art Gall, Director of Public Works, questioned if commercial buildings were required to put concrete across asphalted driveways. City Manager Pasquale responded that it has been done both ways in the past.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by GREEN that a sidewalk should be installed in front of the Public Works Garage.  
YEA: 3. (Maatman, Green and Hodges)  
NAY: 2. (Shores, Thompson)  
ABSENT: 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

B. City Manager Pasquale informed the Council that tomorrow, May 17 was Mayor's Exchange Day. Further, Tuesday, May 24, the City of Lowell would be visiting the City of Hudsonville.

**Item #14. APPOINTMENTS.** Mayor Maatman stated that there was a vacancy on the Planning Commission due to the resignation of Ray Zandstra.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 9:08 p.m.

DATE APPROVED:  
James D. Maatman, Mayor  
David M. Pasquale, City Clerk

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**HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE**

Wednesday: Family/Activity Nights at 7:00 p.m.

June 12th: Life Action Ministry "AMERICA, YOU'RE TOO YOUNG TO DIE!" 6:00 p.m. - Free Admission.

June 13 - 17: 5-DAY CLUB 9:30-11:20 a.m. Call Church Office for Locations.

June 19th: FATHER'S DAY... Recognition and gift for all fathers!

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Date: June 8  
Time: 4 p.m.-8 p.m.  
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# COMING EVENTS

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

**SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH:** The Lowell Area Schools Board of Education meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Board of Education office located in the Middle School, 12675 Foreman Road.

**EVERY MONDAY EVENING:** Euchre will be played at the V.F.W. Post 8303 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$1, prizes, Public welcome.

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

**SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH:** Golden Ages meet 6 p.m. at Hale House (Senior Neighbors, 314 S. Hudson). Potluck. All are welcome.

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

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

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

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

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

**TUESDAYS:** Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops M I #372 meets every Tuesday evening at the Lowell Congregational Church basement. Corner of Spring and Hudson St. Weigh-ins at 5:45 p.m.

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

**EVERY TUES.:** Support One Group for the single, separated and divorced, 7 p.m. at Saranac Community Church.

**EVERY TUES.:** 10 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Ladies Coffee Break Bible Study, Children's Bible Story Hour. Calvary Christian Reformed Church, 1151 W. Main, Lowell. Nursery provided free. For ladies with or without previous Bible knowledge.

**LAST TUES. OF EVERY MONTH:** Concerned women for America meets at 7 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Lowell, 2275 W. Main Street. Protecting the rights of the family through prayer and action. Phone for more information 897-6044 or 897-6418.

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

**EVERY WED.:** Royal Rangers for the boys at 7 p.m. Sunshine Adventure Team for the girls kindergarten and up. Christ Ambassadors for the youth (7th thru 12th-grades) Christian Clubs to help our children grow through the means of achievement programs, special activities, crafts, and basic moral learning. For more information, call Christian Life Center, 3050 Alden Nash S.E., 897-1100

**FIRST WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH:** Alzheimer's Support Group meets at 6:30 p.m. at Cumberland Retirement Village. Phone 897-4810 for information.

**EVERY FIRST WEDNESDAY:** Lowell Area Jaycees meet at 7 p.m. at the Lowell City Hall. New members welcomed. Membership 21-39 years of age. Leadership training through community involvement.

**EVERY FIRST WEDNESDAY:** Parenting group available the first Wednesday of the month from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Share, learn, question and discuss issues important to you as a parent. Call Sister Barbara Cline, F.S.E., at 897-7842 for more information. Held at the Franciscan Child Development Center.

**EVERY FOURTH WEDNESDAY:** Elderly volunteers needed to participate in The Intergenerational Program with school age children from Lowell in many different seasonal activities. Two times available: 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. or 12:45 to 1:45

p.m. Call Sister Colleen Ann Nagle, F.S.E. at the Franciscan Child Development Center, 897-7842.

**THURSDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops MI, No. 333.** Saranac, meets every Thursday evening at the Saranac Public Library, Weigh-ins at 6:45 p.m.

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

**EVERY THIRD THURS.:** The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse at 11841 Pottery Rd. Just east of Montcalm Ave. at 7 p.m. New members and guests are welcome.

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

**EVERY FRIDAY:** Respite day care for the elderly. Activities and respite for the aging person from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call Sister Darlene Wessling, F.S.E. at the Franciscan Child Development Center, 897-7842.

**EVERY SAT. - Lowell Independent Amateur Radio Operators sponsor an information net on Frequency 147.420 Simplex - Lowell Showboat Network.**

**SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS:** Hours at the Fallasburg Schoolhouse Museum, 2-6 p.m. May - mid-October. "Across the Covered Bridge from Fallasburg Park." Admission is free.

**EVERY SUNDAY:** The

p.m. at the Lowell Masonic Temple.

**SAT., JUNE 11:** The Cyclamen Chapter #94 O.E.S. invites families and friends to a Fun Friendship meeting from 2-4 p.m. at the Lowell Masonic Temple. There will be a ventriloquist.

**JUNE 11 & 12:** The Classy Chassis are coming to the Ionia Fairgrounds. Hundreds of vintage and classic vehicles. Plus auto swap and flea market.

**JUNE 11 & 12:** The Classy Chassis Arts and Crafts Show at the Ionia Fairgrounds.

**SUN., JUNE 12:** Saranac V.F.W. Hall, 3 p.m. auction. Last sale of the summer. Everyone welcome. Proceeds go to the V.F.W. Building Fund. J & J Wholesale Outlet.

**MON., JUNE 13:** The Lowell Showboat Garden Club will have its upcoming meeting at the Lowell Arts Council Center at 7 p.m.

**THURS., JUNE 16:** Keenagers will meet at 10 a.m. at Vergennes United Methodist Church. There

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LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR 897-5949			
WEEKLY ACTIVITIES			
MON.: 8 a.m. Walkers.	THURS.: 9:30 a.m. Bingo.		
TUES.: 8 a.m. Walkers.	THURS.: 1 p.m. Euchre.		
WED.: 1 p.m. Shopping assistance.	FRI.: 8 a.m. Walkers.		
SPECIAL EVENTS			
WED., JUNE 1: 7:45 a.m., Men's traveling breakfast.	FRI., JUNE 24: 12:30 p.m., Reminiscence - Gerontology Network.		
WED., JUNE 1: 9:30 a.m., Blood pressure.	TUES., JUNE 28: 10:30 a.m., Wellness class.		
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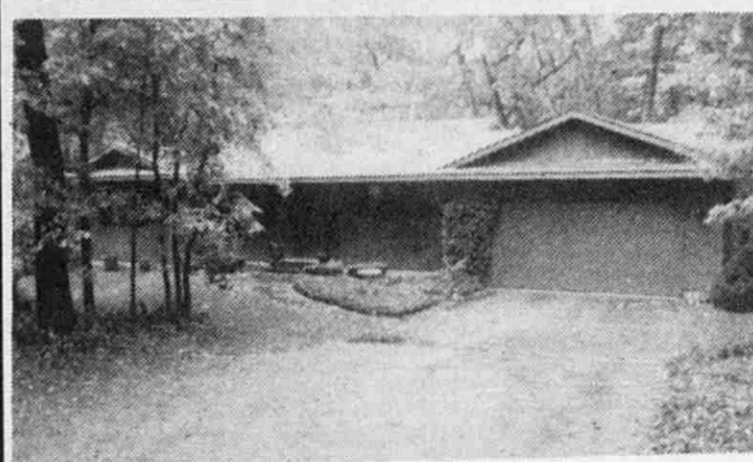
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District is officially launched, millage proposal next hurdle in plan

By Marc Popielek Contributing Writer

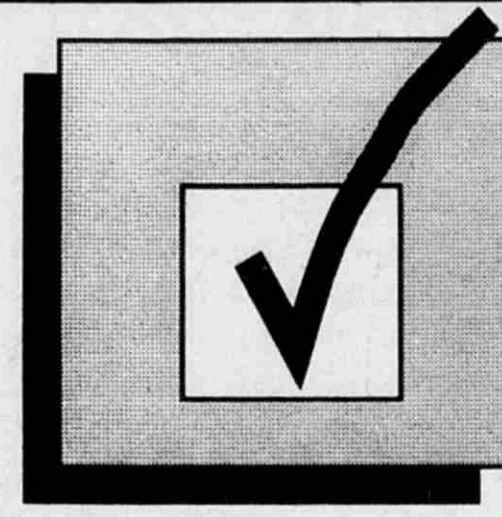
The move to a district system makes Kent County the 96th district library system in the state. The old system, which has been operating for nearly 60 years, will be officially out as of July 1.

between 0.55 mills and 0.75 mills will be put on the November ballot and voted on by the people. The idea is that the millage will make the funding more stable and equitable for all government bodies involved. Putting the millage proposal together will be done by the formation of a district board.

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# Lowell School Board Election '94



## Be Counted—VOTE!



What expectation or concern do you think might weigh heavily on a voter's June 13 decision as to which three candidates to vote for?

I believe the public expects Lowell Area Schools to spend public money wisely without coming back to the taxpayer for additional money.



Ellen McClain

What do you hope voters realize about Ellen McClain before the June 13 election?

That I have made every effort to obtain all relevant information and to the best of my ability to determine what the truth is.

Ellen McClain, as a school board member... I will not be a rubber stamp. I'll do what the general public wants done.

Lowell Area School's operating millage expires and will need to be renewed in 1996. The board will be charged immediately, within this time frame, to give a new image to the taxpayers to insure the renewal millage passes. How does Ellen McClain plan to achieve this?

It will take time to gain the public's trust. The board will have a year. It must provide information as it becomes available. Voters cannot make decisions until they are informed.

Finally... I challenge my detractors to investigate information I have brought forward and challenge me on any point. Until they do, I don't think they should question whether or not my information is the truth.

What expectation or concern do you think might weigh heavily on a voter's June 13 decision as to which three candidates to vote for?

I think voters are looking for good common ordinary people with good sense. Voters want board members with common sense and the ability to run the school system.



Dennis Brown

What do you hope voters realize about Dennis Brown before the June 13 election?

I'm an average working man looking to give back to the community for what it has given to my family.

Dennis Brown as a school board member... Will devote whatever time, energy it takes to represent the people who voted me on the board in a way they would expect the school board to operate.

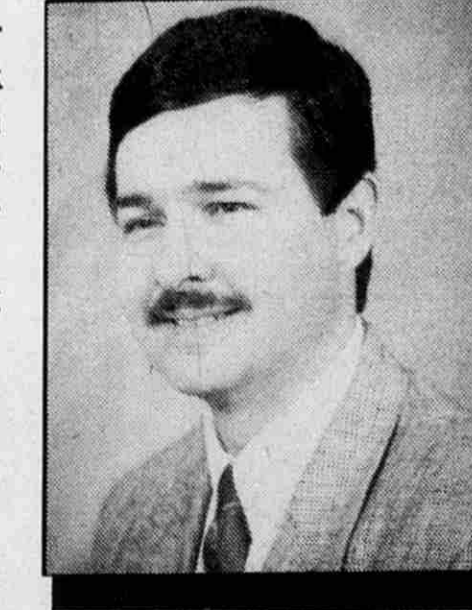
Lowell Area School's operating millage expires and will need to be renewed in 1996. The board will be charged immediately, within this time frame, to give a new image to the taxpayers to insure the renewal millage passes. How does Wendy Southwell plan to achieve this?

To do this, the board must be approachable at all levels. Trust must be built. If that trust is there, the community will support the system and what is needed.

Finally... My main reason for running is that I believe every board should be represented by a cross section of people whose have entrusted you with their money. I think I am representative of the average person. I also think a person must be willing to work at education to be come good at it.

What expectation or concern do you think might weigh heavily on a voter's June 13 decision as to which three candidates to vote for?

Voters will be looking for community commitment, someone who is capable of clear-headed thinking and who is supportive of the community.



Mark Blanding

What do you hope voters recognize about Mark Blanding before the June 13 election?

That I am here for the school, kids, and to do what is best for the community and school system.

Mark Blanding as a school board member... Will work diligently for the community and do what is best for children's education. I will be open and consider thoughts and new ideas. I will also respond to them.

Lowell Area School's operating millage expires and will need to be renewed in 1996. The board will be charged immediately, within this time frame, to give a new image to the taxpayers to insure the renewal millage passes. How does Mark Blanding plan to achieve this?

I think we need to make it clear that we're doing the proper things as far as fiscal responsibility. We need to insure the community that we're concerned about the bottom line and doing everything we can to take care of it.

Finally... I think there are a number of fine candidates. Voters need to think about the history of the candidates and what they expect from them in the long term.

What expectation or concern do you think might weigh heavily on a voter's June 13 decision as to which three candidates to vote for?

First, I hope people go to the polls. I'd also hope that they ask themselves where the school needs to go from here and which of the candidates have the vision to get the school there.



Tom Heintzleman

What do you hope voters realize about Tom Heintzleman before the June 13 election?

That I will bring a broad base perspective and vision to the board. Other than Ann Mulder, I'm the only candidate to have direct school board experience in Lowell (served two years).

Tom Heintzleman as a school board member... Is a leader in the discussion of Lowell Schools and throughout Michigan in terms of innovative, creative and fiscally responsible delivery of top quality education.

Lowell Area School's operating millage expires and will need to be renewed in 1996. The board will be charged immediately, within this time frame, to give a new image to the taxpayers to insure the renewal millage passes. How does Joe Barnella plan to achieve this?

I think there will be a heck of a difference in the funding formula in two years. I think Lansing will change the rules two or three times before 1996. I think we need to go beyond the physical plant structures and look at curriculum, full use of facilities and the communication of successful use of the new facility. We need not sell the image, but instead, we need to sell the product - quality education.

Finally... This is probably the most important school-related election in the last decade. Unlike a millage election, if it fails, there is another one; the community will be electing nearly half of the school board. These board members will need to have the vision to move the school district ahead.

What expectation or concern do you think might weigh heavily on a voter's June 13 decision as to which three candidates to vote for?

I think voters are concerned about electing candidates who will be open and communicate with the community. I think there is the perception that the school board keeps things covered up.



Ann Mulder

What do you hope voters recognize about Ann Mulder before the June 13 election?

I hope they recognize that I'm a person of integrity. I come into the election with four months of experience. I will not have to lay any groundwork. It's already been laid. I hope they see me as someone who is open to listening and communicating.

Ann Mulder as a school board member... Is conscientious. She makes her decisions after researching the issue and she seeks out community input.

Lowell Area School's operating millage expires and will need to be renewed in 1996. The board will be charged immediately, within this time frame, to give a new image to the taxpayers to insure the renewal millage passes. How does Ann Mulder plan to achieve this?

The board will have to start with educating the community regarding the present status of financing. It will have to find ways to involve the community in the educational process. For example, the goals put forth by Vision 2000. The board has to create a pride in the community and school system so people are willing to expend dollars.

Finally... We have a new, state of the art high school and an impressive athletic complex. The board has to find ways to be fiscally responsible while still providing quality education and preparing youth for the 21st century.

Joe Barnella

What expectation or concern do you think might weigh heavily on a voter's June 13 decision as to which three candidates to vote for?

I believe one major factor will be who voters believe are going to be honest with the people of the community and who will support the people and not be a rubber stamp.

What do you hope voters realize about Joe Barnella before the June 13 election?

I hope they recognize that I'm in support of the community and that my goal is to return the community's confidence in the school board.

Joe Barnella as a school board member... Is concerned with the future of the school system. The school system needs to begin preparing now for the future. I will devote myself to this purpose until the job is done.

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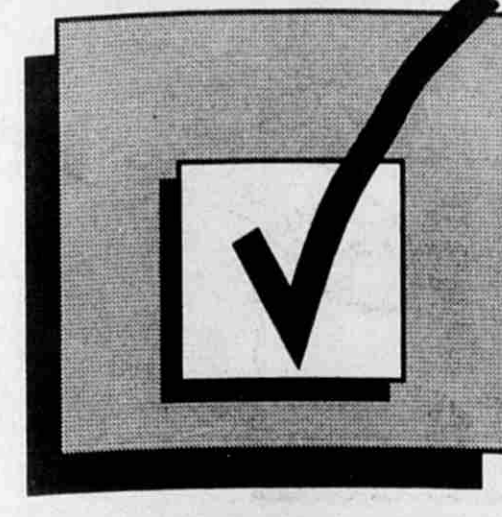
I believe if a school board is a good steward of what it has financially - spends wisely, conserves when needed, provides the community with real numbers and cuts back when it is a must - it is then easier to go to the people.

Finally... I hope people will vote for me so that I can be a positive force in the future of the Lowell School system.

"A great teacher never strives to explain his vision - he simply invites you to stand beside him and see for yourself."

-The Rev. R. Inman

# Lowell School Board Election '94



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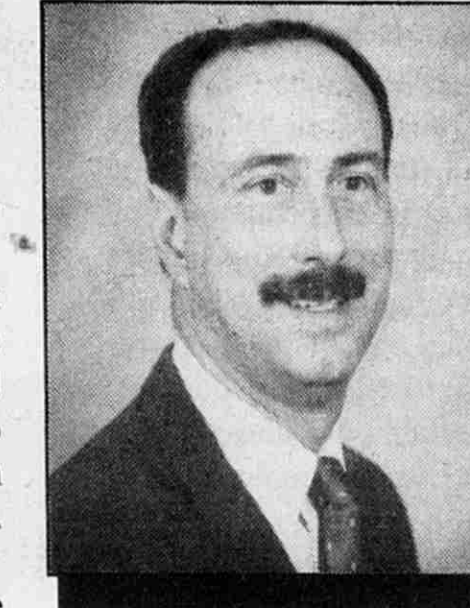
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What expectation or concern do you think might weigh heavily on a voter's June 13 decision as to which three candidates to vote for?

Candidates who look at both sides of an issue and who are level-headed in their approach as to which side is correct when a decision has to be made.



Dale Hanson

What do you hope voters recognize about Dale Hanson before the June 13 election?

That I am fair and always upfront.

Dale Hanson as a school board member... Will do the best job I know how to do.

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I think the important thing is to publicize what a fine school system Lowell has. The commitment was there for the bond issue. We must work hard to bring that commitment back.

Finally... Everyone should exercise their right to vote. It is sad that eight to 10 percent of the voters decide issues. Everyone should vote.

What expectation or concern do you think might weigh heavily on a voter's June 13 decision as to which three candidates to vote for?

The main thing is budget management. Voters are looking for strong financial background and board members who will gain control of the money. Everything else hinges on budget management.

What do you hope voters realize about Wendy Southwell before the June 13 election?

That I have a well-rounded background in community service. I've been a controller of a small business for 10 years. I believe this has made me capable in the financial area. I've also spent 20 years dealing with programs for kids and in medicine.

Wendy Southwell as a school board member... I will try to make the school fiscally responsible. I will be involved in the most innovative, wide-range educational planning that the school has. I will be a volunteer advocate. If people want special programs, they have to give of their time and effort. We must get back a sense of community or we will be an isolated one.

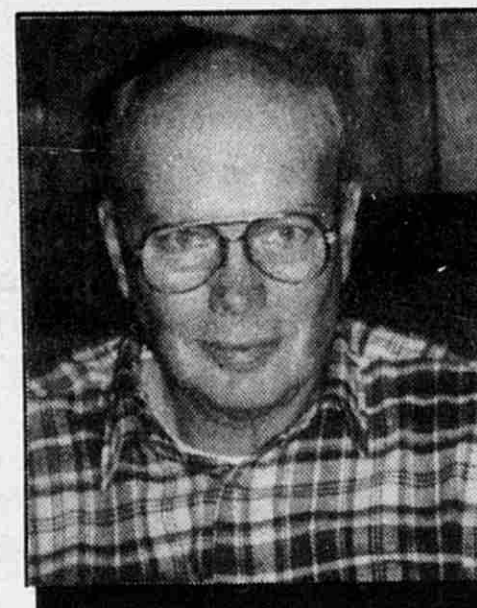
Lowell Area School's operating millage expires and will need to be renewed in 1996. The board will be charged immediately, within this time frame, to give a new image to the taxpayers to insure the renewal millage passes. How does Wendy Southwell plan to achieve this?

There are two things that must happen: 1) The budget needs to be published. The school must also state what it expects, how well it is meeting its goals and its history. 2) People must feel better about the school. There needs to be an avenue of input that provides community members with concrete ways to contribute time towards goals in school buildings.

Finally... It is real important that the voters pick the best qualified and the candidates who have the most at stake (meaning children in the district). It is also important that board members are aware of what's going on in the buildings.

What expectation or concern do you think might weigh heavily on a voter's June 13 decision as to which three candidates to vote for?

I think voters want the board to live within the budget and to hold the line on expenditures.



Warren Jousma

What do you hope voters recognize about Warren Jousma before the June 13 election?

That I will help hold the line on expenditures.

Warren Jousma as a school board member... Will not vote for an increase in the millage. I will see to it that the school lives within the budget. There is plenty of money.

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Renewal millage has never been a problem. I think all can agree to pay that amount. I believe voters can understand what a renewal millage is. It's the increase millage that is the taboo.

Finally... I will hold the line on spending. I will also look to see that the board reduces its debts by recalling bonds.

What expectation or concern do you think might weigh heavily on a voter's June 13 decision as to which three candidates to vote for?

Who does the voter trust to represent his/her views and the interests of the community as a whole? Which candidate has the character and courage to oversee school operations and make the right decisions on difficult issues, free of bias or self-interest?

What do you hope voters realize about Pete Gustafson before the June 13 election?

That he is committed to improving our schools, has worked hard on school issues in the past, and expects to be fully accountable for his decisions. That he is tolerant of differing views and not too proud or programmed to consider the wisdom and ideas of others. That there are no hidden agendas... his goal is simply to work hard to make the Lowell Schools the best they can be.

Pete Gustafson as a school board member... He will stress educational excellence in academics, arts and athletics; management integrity at all levels; financial accountability in all decisions; and open communications with citizens and taxpayers.

Lowell Area School's operating millage expires and will need to be renewed in 1996. The board will be charged immediately, within this time frame, to give a new image to the taxpayers to insure the renewal millage passes. How does Pete Gustafson plan to achieve this?

I will assure that money is being spent wisely, without waste, so voters will know that their valuable tax dollars are not being squandered. I will promote appreciation among all citizens for the value of educational excellence to our young people and our community.

Finally... Please take the time to vote. Our society needs good public schools and our kids get only one chance. Each school day is important... we can't go back and do it all over again.

## Bushnell fifth-graders place importance on D.A.R.E.

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Parents, organizations and teachers often tell today's youth what is important.

The success of these messages is measured by how the youth reacts to the message and then proceeds to act on it.

Bushnell music teacher Rachel Niemi is happy with the way Bushnell fifth-graders have reacted to the integrated D.A.R.E. music program/graduation.

"Earlier this fall, when Lowell was working under a five-hour day, I had some young fifth-grade boys come to me and ask if we were still going to have the D.A.R.E. program," Niemi said. "I think that shows that the kids think it is pretty neat."

What students have also found neat is the way Niemi has integrated music into the

D.A.R.E. graduation program.

"I think it is important kids will remember. I think music has the power to do that," Niemi said.

The Bushnell music teacher is hopeful that, through song, the positive message that D.A.R.E. carries will come back to them as the temptations of drugs and alcohol grow.

The students go through a 17-week program on the dangers of drugs and how to deal with peer pressure. Niemi tells her students the hardest part now that they've completed the D.A.R.E. program is keeping the pledge of being drug free.

The 17-week D.A.R.E. program was taught by Lowell's newly appointed Police Chief (effective July 1) Jim Valentine.

On Friday Bushnell fifth-graders received their certi-

cate of completion at the graduation/music program entitled "Forever Free II - Be Smart - Don't Start!"

This was the second year that music has been integrated into the graduation ceremony.

"This program is unique," Valentine said. "A large part of that credit has to go to Rachel Niemi."

Preparation for the graduation began prior to spring break. Students were asked to fill out an application stating what they wanted to do. Roles included being a member of the full cast, soloists, narrators, artists, scenery committee, set up crew, and curtains. Every student had a hand in the production.

"I'm very happy with the way the graduation went. The kids did a great job," Niemi said.

Following the music part of the graduation, students presented Niemi with flowers, a gift, a hearty thanks, and a sentimental goodbye.

Niemi, who is completing her eighth and final year in the Lowell School system, resigned (effective the end of the school year). She will be getting married this summer and relocating in Midland.

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To the being fully alive, the future is not ominous but a promise; it surrounds the present like a halo.

—John Dewey



The D.A.R.E. program helps fifth-grade children become aware of the danger, caution and warning involved in drug use.



Mark Smith raps to the tune "They're Not Real Friends" during the D.A.R.E. graduation/music program.

## Library, continued

Carol Wieland has received the backing of Lowell, Vergennes and Bowne Townships. She still needs the vote of the city of Lowell to be officially nominated for a dis-

trict board seat.

If the work of the board doesn't convince voters of its importance, then it may be back to the starting line for the Kent County Libraries.

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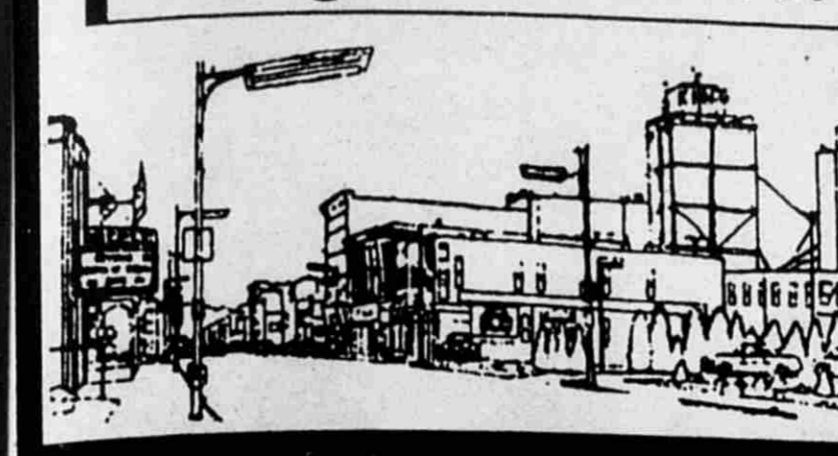
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### CREEKSIDE PARK COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Creekside Park Committee meeting will be held Monday, June 13, at 7 p.m. at the Lowell United Methodist Church.

Anyone interested is welcome to join. For further information call Tina at 897-0709.

### LHS COMMENCEMENT ON CHANNEL 2

The Lowell High School commencement will be shown on Lowell Cable TV, Channel 2 the following dates: Wednesday, June 8 at noon; Thursday, June 9 at 5 p.m.; Friday, June 10 at 9 p.m. and Saturday, June 11 at noon.

### MUSIC BOOSTER COOKBOOKS AVAILABLE

The Lowell Music Booster cookbooks are in. You can purchase them by calling Maureen at Bushnell School, 897-8471, or stop by and pick one up at the Buyers Guide.

### POST OFFICE CUSTOMER APPRECIATION DAY AND OPEN HOUSE

The Michigan Post Offices are celebrating Customer Appreciation Day on June 9, 1994. The Lowell, Ada and Alto offices will each have an open house throughout the day. There will be tours offered between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

### CREEKSIDE KINGDOM CONSUMER DISCOUNT CARDS AVAILABLE

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All proceeds benefit Creekside Kingdom.

### COMMUNITY PARTY WITH BUCK MATTHEWS

Everyone is invited to a Meijer Community Party with

Buck Matthews including a chicken stir fry dinner, and prizes at Calvary Church at Main and Church Street in Lowell on Thursday, June 9 at 6:15 p.m.

Tickets are \$5 and are available from Jan Bieri, 897-7555, or Linda VanStee, 897-6462, or from the church office, 897-7060. All proceeds will go to International Aid in Spring Lake for emergency relief in Rwanda.

### MOMS IN TOUCH PICNIC

A picnic will be held at the home of Linda Johnson, 3550 Alden Nash S.E., June 9 at 12:30 p.m., to celebrate the last day of school.

Moms and children are welcome to attend.

### COED SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

A coed softball tournament will be held July 30. This is a Class D, double elimination tournament. The cost is \$100 per team. Prizes include a first and second place trophy and t-shirts.

All proceeds will benefit Creekside Kingdom. Call Dan Phillips, 897-0709 to register or for more information.

### SUMMER WORKSHOPS BEGIN AT LAAC

The Lowell Area Arts Council has organized a roster of exciting summer workshops for both children and adults. Children's workshops will begin with "Cubies World" in July and continue with "Fine Arts Day Camp" in August.

Adult workshops are basket making, beginning quilting, two watercolor workshops and a beginning artists workshop. Stop at the Arts Center, 149 S. Hudson, for a brochure or call 897-8545 for further information.

### YMCA SUMMER CLUBHOUSE/SPORTS AND SPECIALTY CAMP

Registrations are now being taken for the 1994 Summer Clubhouse Program. There are eight, one-week sessions with both daily and weekly rates. This program is open to boys and girls 5 to 12 years old. Many sports and recreational activities are included.

Financial assistance is available and space is limited. For further information call 897-8445.

### YMCA SWIM LESSONS

Swim lessons will be offered to boys and girls entering kindergarten through fifth-grade. Lessons will be taught by the S.E. Branch YMCA staff. Van transportation will be provided from the Lowell YMCA at 10 a.m. and will return to the Y parking lot by 11:45 a.m.

Session I begins June 20 and runs through July 6 and Session II begins July 11 and runs through July 27. Both sessions are held on Monday and Wednesday. Call 897-8445 for more information. Space is limited and financial assistance is available.

tance is available.

### LAAC WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

The LAAC White Elephant sale will be held June 23, 24 and 25. Drop off articles at the Arts Council Center on June 10 and 11.

### TV/VCR RAFFLE

Tickets are now available for a Panasonic 20" TV/VCR combination. Tickets are \$1. All proceeds will be used for the Creekside Park Project. For ticket information please call Tina, 897-0709, or Brenda, 897-8282.

### YMCA FIRST AND SECOND-GRADE COED SOFTBALL

A new program with pitching machines begins the week of July 11. Registration deadline is June 23. Games will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The cost for Y members is \$19; non-members, \$31. Space is limited and financial aid is available.

### OFF THE BLOTTER

Thomas Summerfield, 24, of Lowell, was involved in a property damage accident on Main Street at Monroe May 31 when he collided with a vehicle driven by Cynthia Clark, 37, also of Lowell.

Maureen Kissinger, 41, of Lowell, backed into a vehicle driven by Rachel Niemi, 31, of Grand Rapids, May 25, in a private parking lot on Elizabeth Street.

A 16-year-old juvenile driver from Lowell backed her car from a parking space, turned too sharply and struck a parked car owned by Orloe Gwatkin, of Lowell, May 30. The accident occurred at Stoney Lakeside Park on Bowes Road. No one was injured.

Lowell officers took 16 accident complaints in the month of May, only two of which incurred injuries.

A 13-year-old juvenile will be referred to probate court at a later date on four counts of assault and malicious destruction of property over \$100. The charges stem from an incident at the middle school June 2.

Grant Ponder, 21, of Lowell, was arrested June 1 on a warrant issued out of a Bay County court.

Roy Aitchison, 36, of Lowell, was arrested on a warrant issued out of Lake Odessa Police Department.

A 16-year-old from Ada will be referred to probate court at a later date on charges of retail fraud (shop lifting) from the Rite-Aid Pharmacy on June 2.

A 16-year-old driver and her 15-year-old passenger were injured in an accident on Main near Amity when she struck the rear of a car driven by Phillis Bender, 49, of Lowell.

A 14-year-old juvenile from Lowell will be referred to juvenile court for shoplifting from the 7-Eleven store on West Main Street June 4.

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# Red Arrow girls earn All-State honors in two events

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell girls' track team placed in two of the six events it participated in at the Class B Michigan High School Athletic Association girls' state track meet.

Lowell tied for 12th place with 16 points.

The Red Arrow 800-meter relay team, ranked third going into the meet, placed second to River Rouge. The Panthers came home in 1:44.62. Lowell was three sec-

onds back at 1:47.62. By finishing second, Lowell earned All-State honors.

"All the girls ran good quarters," said an elated Kathy Talus. "River Rouge broke out early, but Courtney Arnett hung in there and kept us in good position for second."

Running for Lowell was Arnett, Lesley Murphy, Kortney Gowen and Dawn Burrows.

Burrows garnered a third place finish in the 100-meter dash with a time of 12.71. Charnell Lynn of Inkster was first at 12.23. Simby Bonner

of River Rouge was second in a time of 12.36.

Based on her regional time, Burrows was ranked 13th in the 100. In an effort to sharpen her focus and concentration for the 100-meter dash, Talus pulled Burrows from the 200.

"It not only allowed Dawn to focus on the 100, but it kept her fresh for the 800-meter relay," Talus said.

River Rouge won the Class B State Title with 58 points. Caledonia was second with 48. Wyoming Park finished eighth with 19 points. Hudsonville, who will join the O-K White next year, tied for 19th place.

Lowell's Lesley Murphy tied for seventh in the high jump. Murphy cleared 5-2 and just missed 5-4. During the regular season Murphy cleared 5-5 once. That height won the

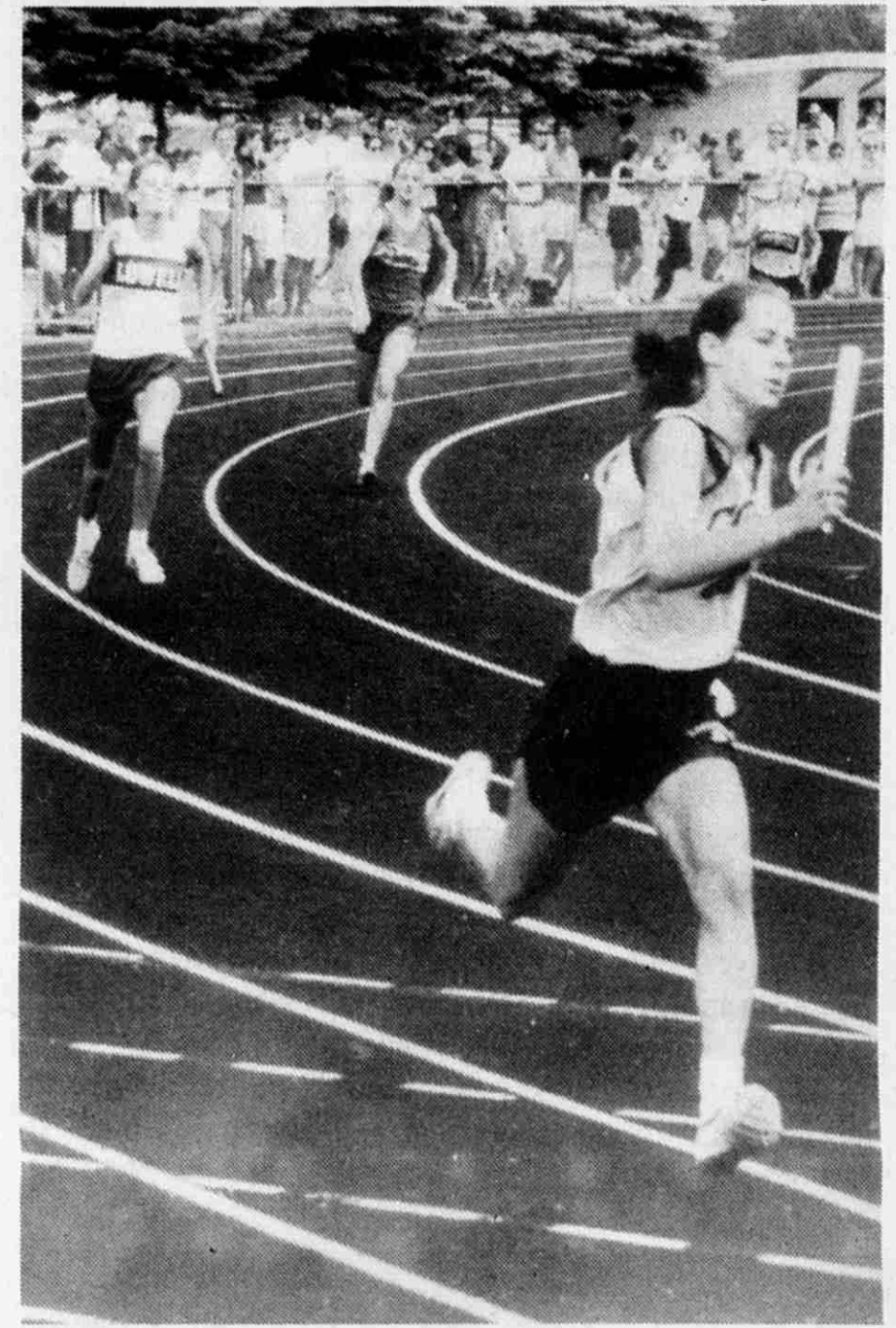


Lowell's Dawn Burrows, second from the left, catches her breath after helping Lowell's 800-meter relay team to a second place finish at the state meet in Saginaw on Saturday.

state championship on Saturday.

Lowell was ranked second in the 400-meter relay but was DQ'd at the start of the race. "It was a nice day. It was

also nice to see the girls place and earn All-State honors," Talus said. "It was just a nice way to finish the year."



Heather Gowen races to pick up ground.



Courtney Arnett, running the first leg of the 800-relay, gets Lowell off to a good start coming out of turn one.

## LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
CIRCUIT COURT FOR  
THE COUNTY OF KENT  
333 Monroe N.W.  
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

ORDER FOR  
PUBLICATION AND TO  
APPEAR AND ANSWER

FILE NO. 94-0430-DM

BARBARA ANN  
CHARLES,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.

THADFORD  
AUGUSTUS CHARLES,  
Defendant

At a session of said  
Court held in the Hall of  
Justice, Grand Rapids,  
Michigan on April 29,  
1994

PRESENT: The Honor-  
able Dennis C. Kolenda,  
Circuit Court Judge.

On the 23rd day of Febru-  
ary, 1994, an action for  
divorce was filed by the  
above named Plaintiff  
against you, the above  
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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED  
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whose last known ad-  
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permitted by law on or  
before the 15th day of  
July, 1994.

FAILURE to comply with  
the Order shall result in a  
Judgment by default  
against you, the Defen-  
dant, for relief as set forth  
in the Complaint filed  
against you.

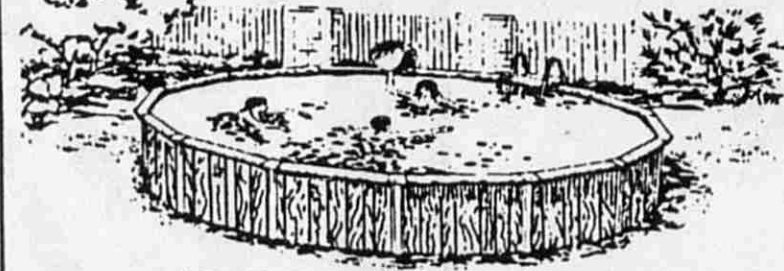
DENNIS C. KOLENDA  
Circuit Court Judge

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# Class of '94 graduation pictures



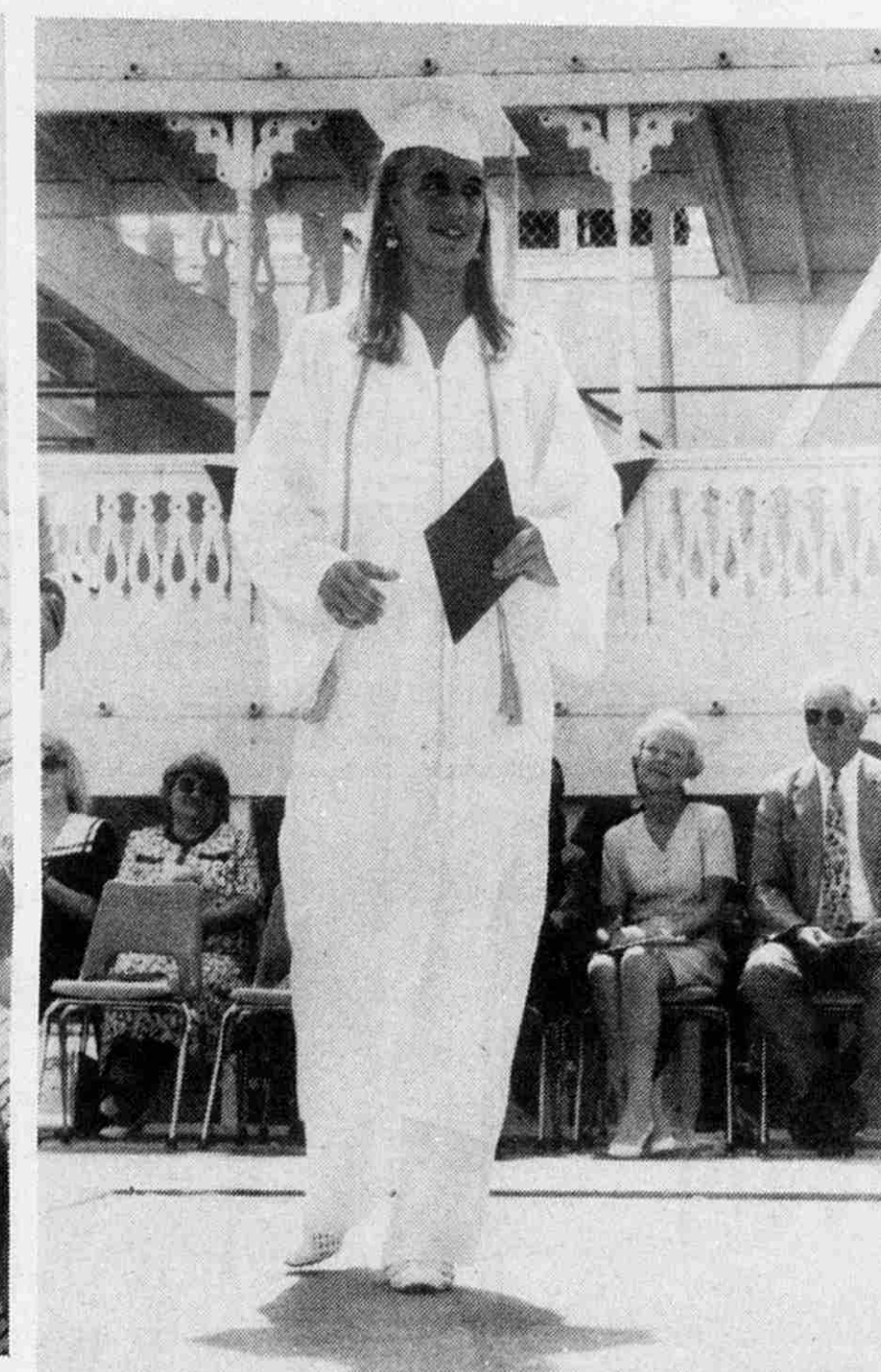
Salutatorian Adrian Schuster addresses the Class of '94.



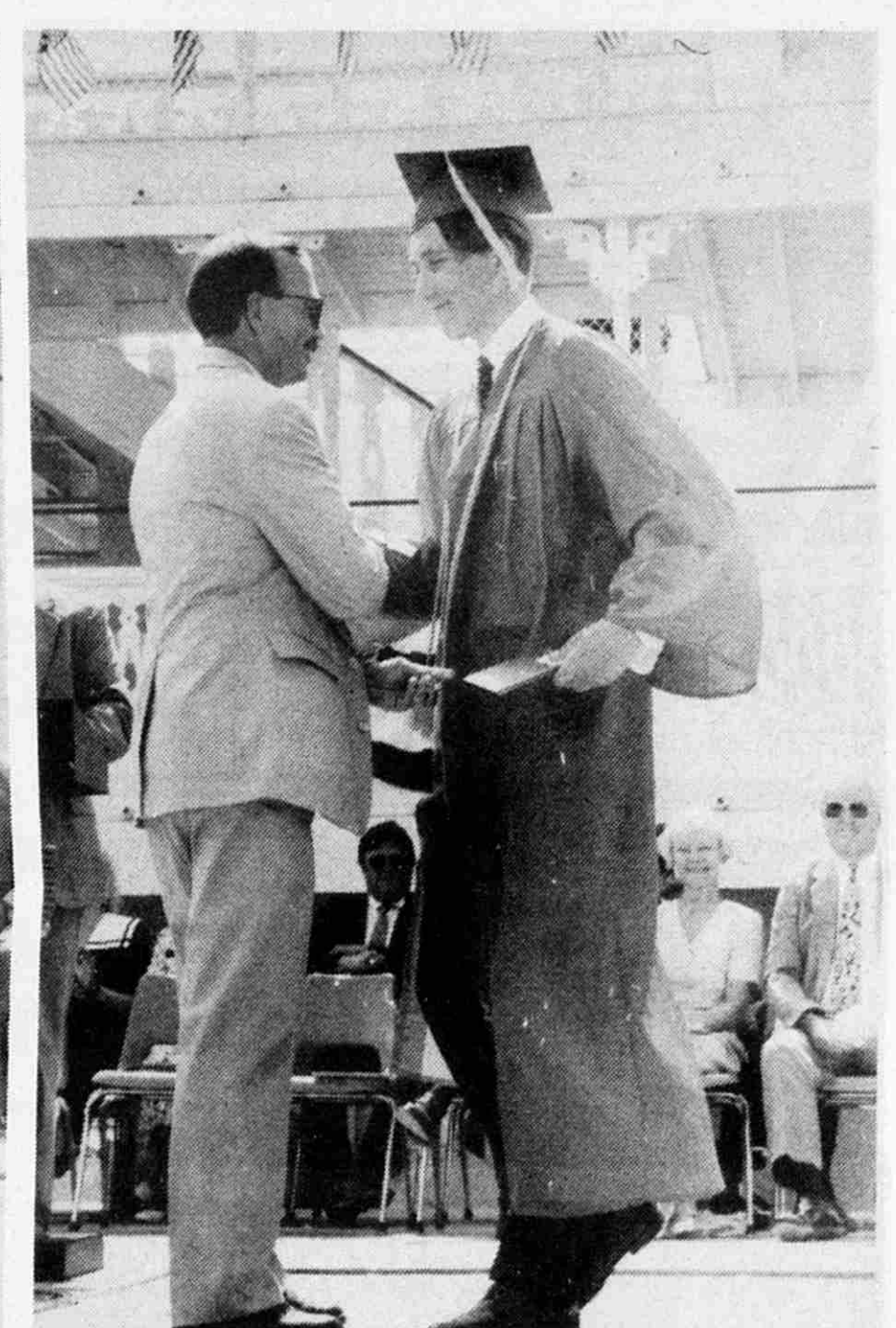
Heather Pelon belts out a few notes of "The Blue and the Gray."



Robert Berrington III performs one last time with the Lowell High School Band during the graduation ceremony on Sunday.



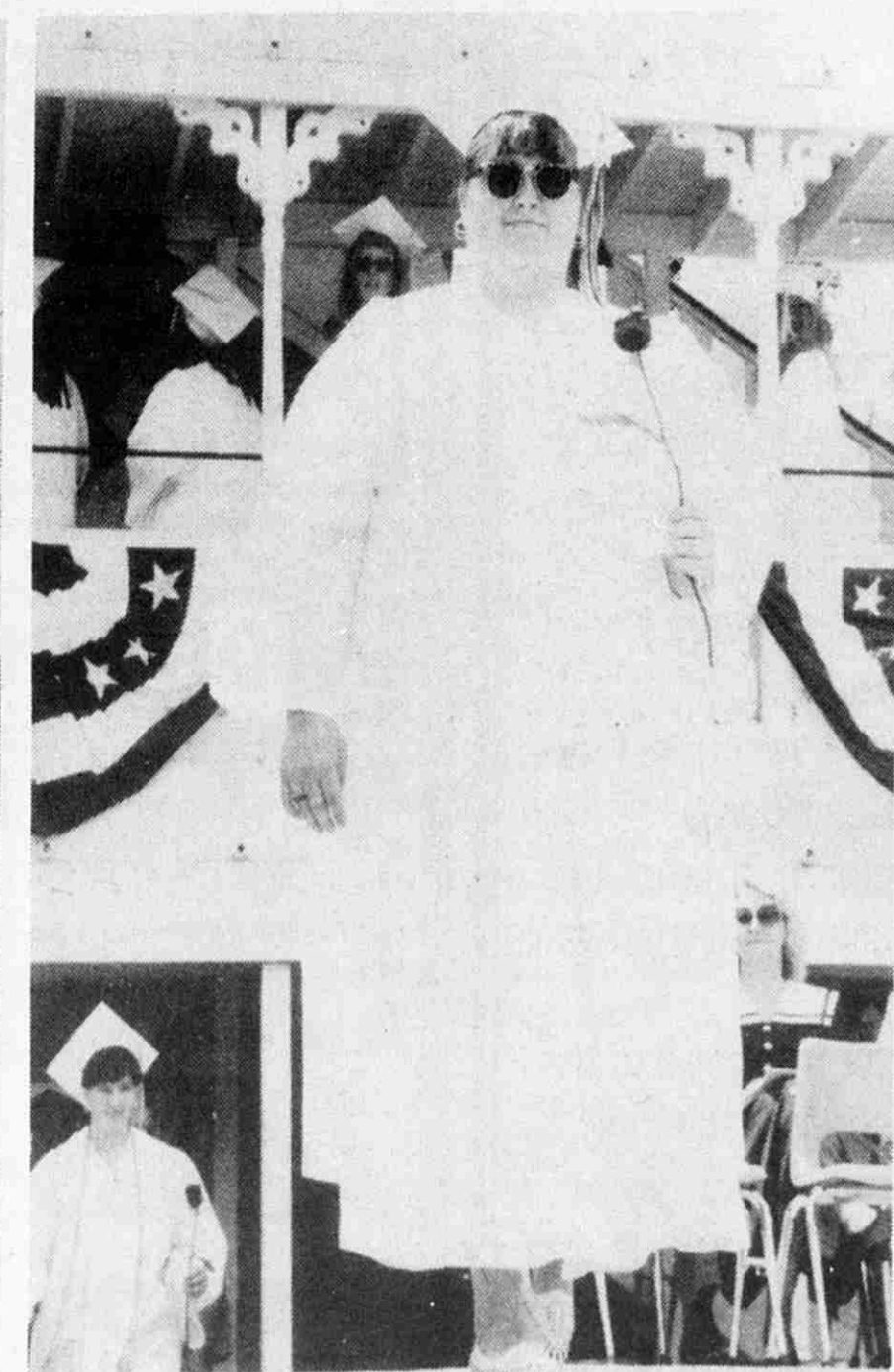
Brenda Bittrick



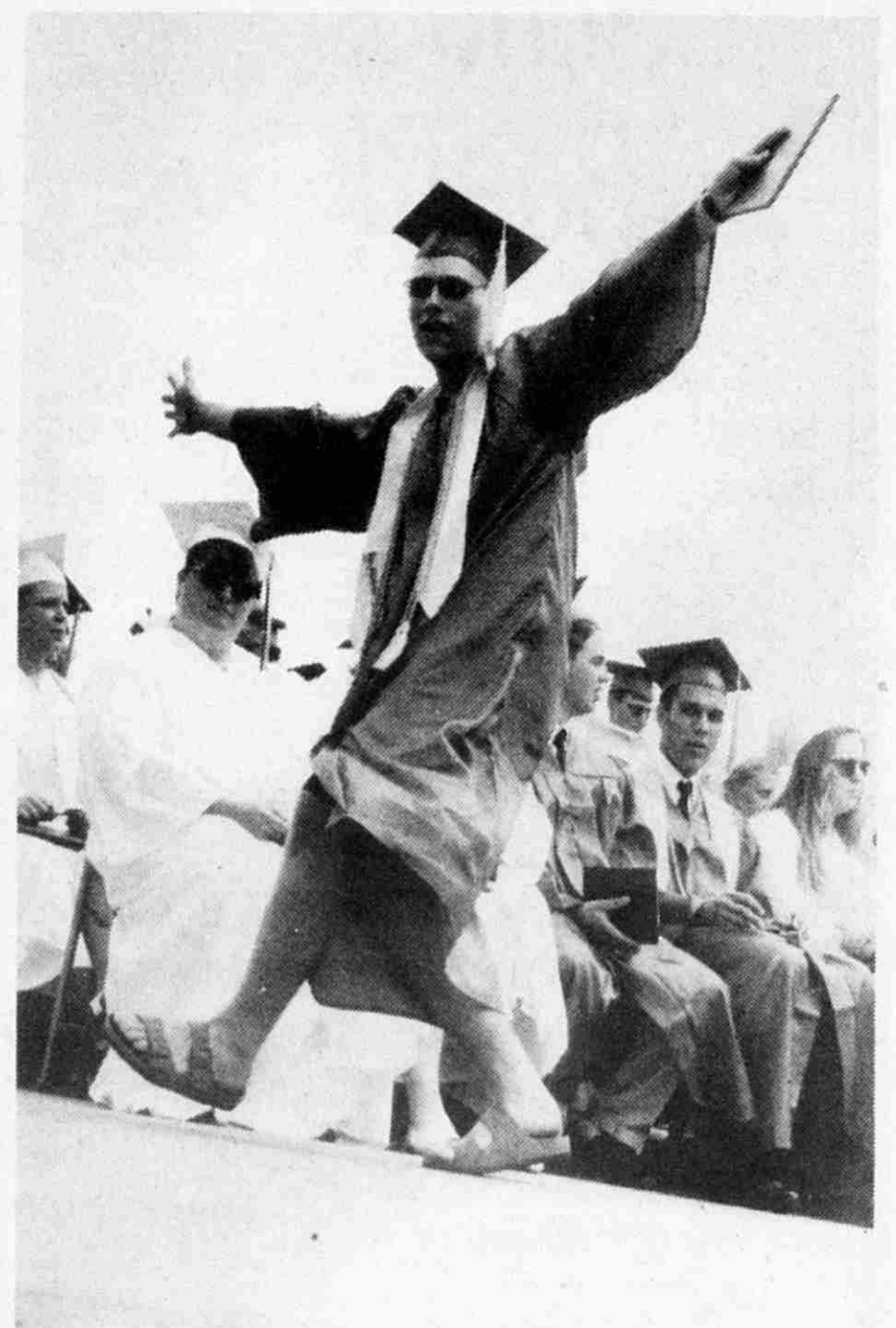
Sweden exchange student Martin Andersson receives a congratulation from his host family father, Jim White, upon receiving his diploma.



Andrea Richmond



Debra Wieland



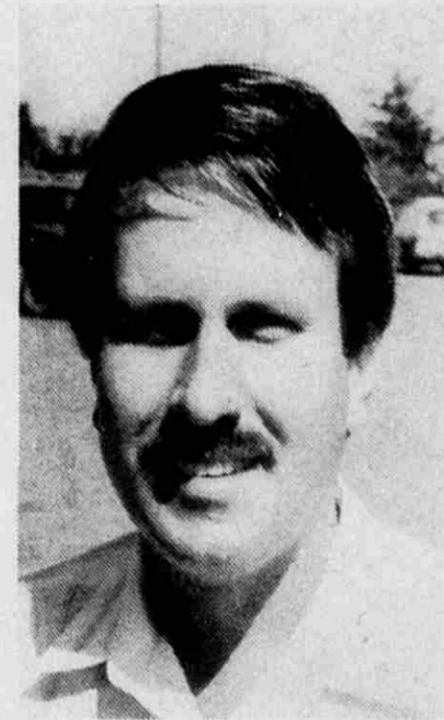
Kevin Vezino did a little graduation shuffle after receiving his diploma.

# TOWN TALK

What characteristics or qualities do you look for in a school board candidate?



**Nancy Misner**  
Honesty, knowledge of the issues and someone who is positive.



**Brad Siek**  
A good education, preferably has or is working in the school arena.



**Paul Walters**  
Honest and upright.



**Chris Lohr**  
Someone who cares about the overall education for children - not just the basics but art, physical education and music. I also want the person to care about the kids' safety.



**Emaline Hulbert**  
Someone who is dedicated toward what benefits kids without any political orientation. They must have kids at heart.



**Tim Roscoe**  
We moved here from Hastings three years ago. People need to realize Lowell has a real good school system. I want a board member to be for all kids and their education. I want a board member to be open-minded about what goes on inside the school.



**Melody Kastanek**  
I would like them to have children in school; involvement in other leadership organizations and high moral standards.



**Catharina Bek**  
Someone who has kids in school. Someone who knows what they are talking about and who is dedicated to the board and the people.

**LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS**  
**NOTICE OF TESTING**  
OPTEC COMPUTER PROGRAM FOR THE JUNE 13, 1994 ANNUAL ELECTION  
Notice is hereby given that the OPTEC Computer Program Testing for the June 13, 1994 Annual Election will be conducted Thursday, June 9, 1994 at 5:00 P.M. at the Lowell City Hall, 301 E. Main St., Lowell, MI.

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I also am a licensed mechanical contractor, part-time. I sit on Multi Product's Credit Union Board of Directors and the Kent County Youth Fair Board, as a Director.

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**Awards come in pairs for the Garden Club**

The Lowell Showboat Garden Club received two awards at the Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan State Convention held May 24-26 at the Amway Grand Plaza.

The District IV Community Improvement Award and an Award of Service for Roadside Development were presented to the Lowell Showboat Garden Club for its Adopt-A-Tree program. The club President, David Richard Drain, accepted the certificates at an awards banquet on Wed., May 25.

Drain commented afterwards that credit goes to the members of the club for their participation in the program, to club members Sue Doyle and Cheryl Tolley for compiling and submitting the book of evidence, to the city of Lowell for their logistical support and to the Look Memorial Committee for their financial support over the years.

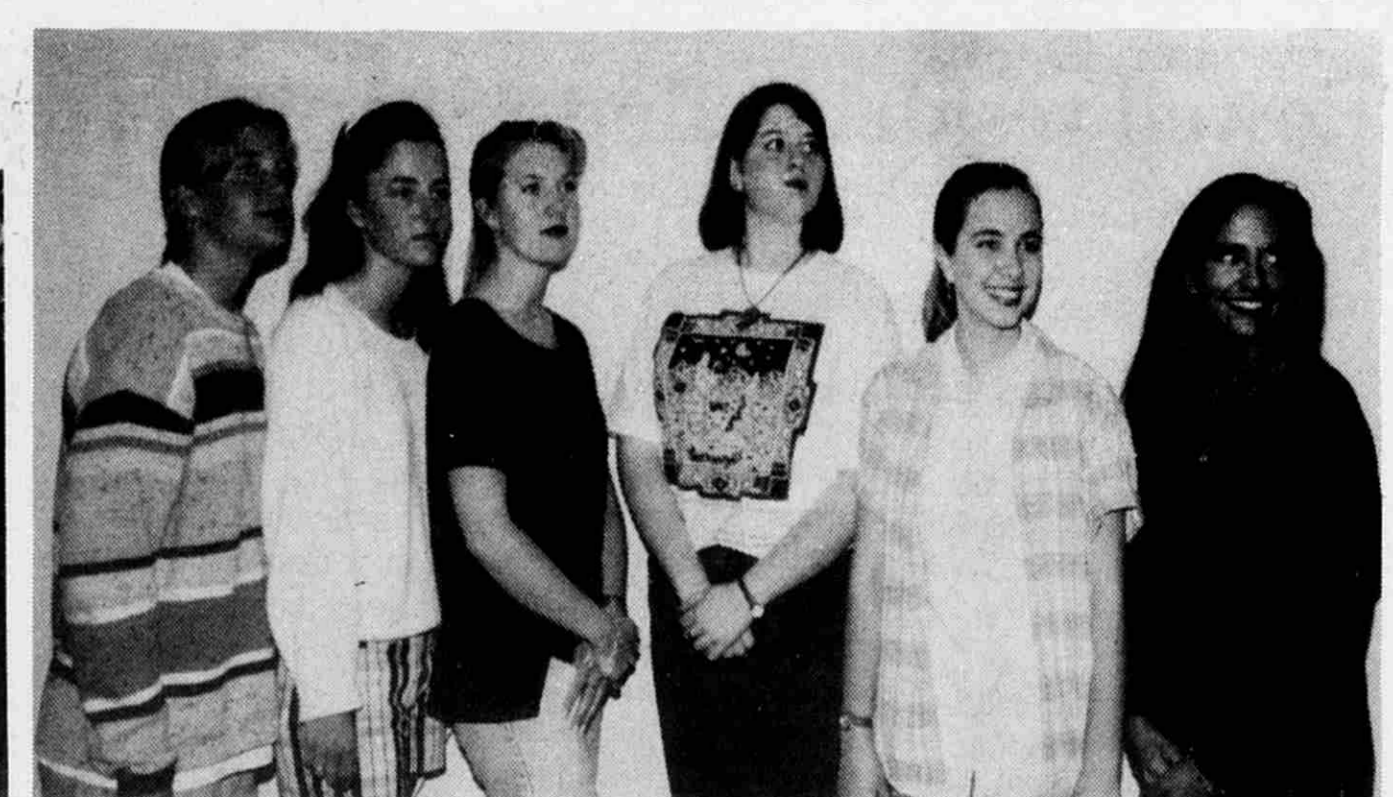
The Adopt-A-Tree program offered free trees to Lowell residents if planted between the curb and the sidewalk or within 10 feet from their property line. Each recipient assumed responsibility of watering and maintaining the tree. In the four years the program existed, 315 trees were planted within the city limits.

# Summer Games!



Runciman, Bushnell and St. Mary's joined together this year for the Lowell Elementary Games held May 25 and 26 at Creekside Park. There were roughly 1000 kids who participated. Sponsors who helped make the elementary games a wonderful success were: Wernet Distributing, Gus Macker, McDonalds, City of Lowell, bus drivers, YMCA, Metropolitan Hospital, teachers, principals, P.T.O. and all the many volunteer parents.

Pictured is Josh Anderson participating at the Jackie Joyner Jump during the Lowell Elementary Games.



## Creative Writing Honorees

Six high school students won cash prizes in the annual creative writing contest sponsored by the English department at Lowell High School. Winners in the short story category are Heather Young, first prize; Lisa Allechin, second prize; and Chrys Thaler, third prize. Honorable mention went to Suzanne Bladley and K.J. Vezino. Winners in the poetry category were Cat Kilpatrick, first prize; Elizabeth Arnold, second prize; and Brenda Bittrick, third prize. Honorable mention in poetry were Chrys Thaler, Donna Abel, Sara Hecksel, and Carolyn Ballema. Commended poets were Lainey Krieg, Melody Brubaker, April Leach and Nichole Walsweer.

Cash prize winners pictured above, from left to right, are: Brenda Bittrick, Lisa Allechin, Elizabeth Arnold, Cat Kilpatrick, Heather Young and Chrys Thaler. Prizes were provided by the Gifted and Talented fund of the Lowell Area Schools.

## Candidates field questions from their peers

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

many areas of our budget," said Ellen McClain who is running for a four-year term.

Ann Mulder (incumbent), vying for the one-year term, said the board needs to be sure it spends district money wisely, but added you cannot increase the size of a school system without increasing its cost.

Dale Hanson, running for a four-year seat, said he felt voters' number-one concern was seeing to it that the board spends the district money wisely. "I also believe that getting positive ideas flowing provides for a good community census."

Joe Barnella, also running for a four-year seat, said he couldn't run for the board if his wife was a teacher without feeling some sort of bias in his decision-making.

The question of bias stems from the fact that three of the candidates have spouses who work within the system.

Wendy Southwell, one of three candidates running for the one-year term, said she has been frustrated with the way the district has problem solved over the last year.

Southwell promised to find and come up with better ideas. "I think it is important to use community members in buildings as much as possible."

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You give but little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give.

—Kahlil Gibran

**VERGENNES TOWNSHIP Notice**

Notice is hereby given that the Vergennes Township Board will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 13, 1994 at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, to receive public comment on a request from Precise Engineering, 683 Lincoln Lake Road, to amend their present Special Exception Use Permit as follows:


Addition of a 50 foot by 50 foot storage building to the present Precise Engineering building in the NE 1/4 of section 34 in the Industrial District. The addition will be of the same height and construction as the present building and provide for inside storage of vehicles and equipment. No additional employees will be involved.

Drawings of the proposed addition can be examined at the Township Hall from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Written comments will also be considered if received by the Township Clerk prior to 7 p.m. on June 13, 1994.

Mari Stone  
Clerk

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**CHILDREN AND NOSEBLEEDS**

A child with a nosebleed should lean forward, pinch the nostrils together for a full 10 minutes, says Prevention Magazine. Note to parents: Any situation you feel is an emergency is one according to Dr. Edgar Marcuse of Children's Hospital in Seattle. Always get help if you are unsure. The most important role of the parent is usually to calm the child.

**AGE IS GREATEST BREAST CANCER RISK**

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## Lowell residents find 350 million-year-old glacial deposit in backyard

Michael Lovell  
Lowell Ledger Intern

While leveling the ground in his backyard in order to place an above-ground pool, Lowell resident Tom Smith unveiled the remains of a 350-million-year-old glacial deposit.

"I was just digging, and I hit a rock. I tried to get the rock out but it just chipped apart. When I started pulling out the pieces, I noticed some fossils on the rock. That's when I stopped digging and called the Grand Rapids Public Museum," said Smith.

The find, according to former curator of Natural History Mary Jane Doceray and the curator of Natural Science Scott Rawlins, is very interesting.

Doceray and Rawlins first examined the find as well as the rocks that Smith had already pulled from the hole, which measured approximately two feet wide and one foot deep. The two scientists appeared excited over what they saw.

Fossilized within the rock are objects that clearly show a marine past. This means that the rocks were at some point in history underwater. Some of the fossils included honeycomb coral, horn coral, brachiopods (small clam-like animals) and petosky stones.

The fossils were imbedded with limestone, which is a rock generally associated with a marine environment. "These are typical rock formations of northern Michigan," said Doceray. "They must have

then been picked up by a glacier and deposited down here as a sort of glacial dump," she concluded. Smith added jokingly, "Great! We live on a dump."

Smith added that he would be more than happy to donate whatever the museum wanted, in order to study or to enhance their collection.

Rawlins suggested that they try to bring as big a piece as possible back to the museum, stating, "We don't have anything this big now. It would make a great exhibit."

Doceray said, "It would take an enormous amount of work to excavate this." "Research-wise, it would be very interesting to see just how big this piece is," finished the retired geologist.

Rawlins recommended that Smith contact Grand Valley State University to see if their

geology department would be interested in studying the site.

The two scientists then took five minutes to explain to Smith and his wife, Lynne, the different types of fossil that are found in the rocks exposed. Doceray said, "The petosky stone is a colony of

coral, and all the other fossils come from a marine environment. I would say this deposit dates back to the Devonian age." In geologic time, the Devonian age represents a time period existing about 350 million years ago.

Having finished their

work, the two scientists then gave the numbers where they could be reached to the Smiths, then left. Smith and his wife were excited about the fossils in their backyard, but one of their children summed it up well, exclaiming, "Daddy, when are we going to be able to go swimming?"

## Lowell's Canfield finds success at Silver Lake

Silver Lake Sand Dragway, with new owners Frank and Ellen Phaff at the helm, kicked off the 94 Point Series battle on Saturday, May 28. Within minutes Dale Chiles of Flint in the EXCAVATOR Top Fuel Dragster shattered the MPH record with a 121 MPH blast that had the crowd on

their feet, screaming for more, and they were not to be disappointed.

The Memorial weekend weather was perfect. The new four-abreast staging, random-pick pairings and race order worked flawlessly, making for a fast-paced exciting race for the competitors and fans. One hundred twenty-eight competitors registered for battle and the elusive points, Top Fuel to Jr. Dragster competitors, were looking to get a jump on the competition and hold off their fellow racers and be one of the top ten leaders going into the Point Series finale in October.

The competition was intense in all brackets from round one right up to the final pairing. Top Fuel pilot Dale Chiles, shoeing his super charged, 500 C.U. inch, alcohol burning, Rodeck-powered dragster qualified for T/F.

Chiles met Burt Vanbennekorn's Mopar powered dragster from Saranac, and defeated him with a 3.21 pass to Vanbennekorn's troubled 3.90.

ATV was next out of the chutes with Bob Boruta of Kent City dominating the bracket meeting Matt Smith of Muskegon (winner of the Gamblers race, just a week

earlier) in the final. Boruta prevailed and went into the top eliminator. Pro Comp, an exciting crowd pleasing bracket made up of hot buggies, dragsters, and V8 ground pounders, kept the fans on the edge of their seats, round after round.

Dan Howard of Grand Rapids, in his THUNDER Funny Jeep, was invincible and defeated Roger Jareo's BBC dragster from Davidson in the final. Comp dished up an exciting final pitting Craig Klooster's bodiless funny car, from Hart, against Joe Scheid's of Grand Rapids "Fastest Odyssey in the World." The Craig "Stir" came out on top.

Mike Bruins of Holland, in his second year of competition, went up against Tim Marsh, a 10-year seasoned veteran, and defeated him in the final of Modified.

Super Stock action went to the wire with Dan Bosch and Mike Marckini in the final; Bosch prevailed. Jr. Dragster started with six entries and ended in an all-girl final Lisa Koetsier of Grand Rapids (her first year) and Shelby Wagner of Shelby, newest member of the Appletree stable, ran a

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**LIONS CLUB**  
LOWELL, MICHIGAN

This year marks the 40th anniversary of the Lowell Lions Club. We have scheduled our Charter Night for

**SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 1994**

We invite you to join us for an evening of dinner and dancing. The cost is \$40.00 per couple.

During that day, The Lions Club is sponsoring a golf outing at Arrowhead Golf Course. You may choose the 9-hole or the 18-hole event.

Please call Dennis Anchors (897-5449) for details and make your reservations for golf and/or dinner.

## CITY OF LOWELL Public Notice

Due to construction work at the intersection of South Hudson and Bowes Road, the County will be closing Bowes Road from West Street to South Hudson on Monday, June 13, 1994.

Starting on Wednesday, June 15, 1994 South Hudson between Grand River Drive and Bowes Road will also be closed.

The construction work will take approximately six (6) weeks. Please call City Hall at 897-8457 for detour routes.

Betty Morlock  
Deputy City Clerk

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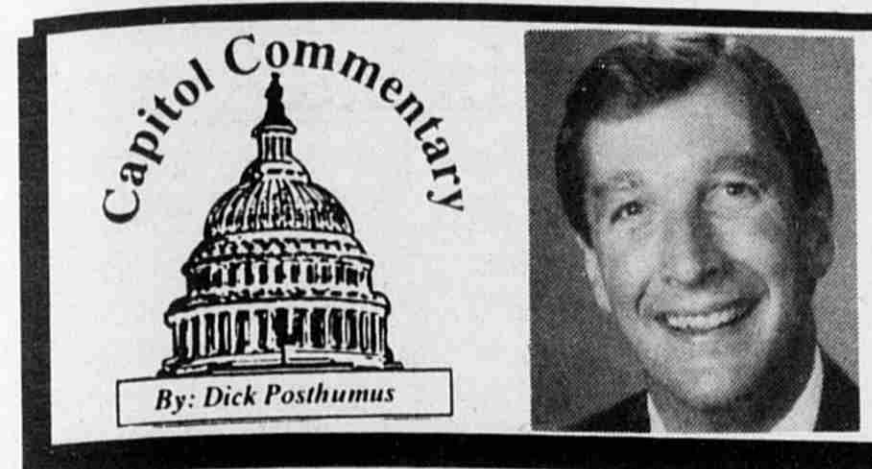
**PLEASE VOTE ON MONDAY, JUNE 13!**

I've made a decision on at least one candidate, **ELLEN McCLAIN. WHY?**

1. She is a qualified accountant and internal auditor. That means she will do her utmost to maximize our educational output.
2. She's done her homework on cost issues and technology and brought these to the public at great personal expense because she knew the public had the right to know this information.
3. She has the stamina and won't back down on those hard to address issues.

There are also 10 other fine candidates to fill a total of three positions. Make your decisions based on the facts. Status quo cannot be changed unless **YOU** vote.

Sincerely,  
John Clore



The 1993-94 session of the Legislature has been, without a doubt, the most active in recent history. Not only did we tackle issues that stymied lawmakers for years, but we also passed tax cuts, anti-crime measures, pro-job growth legislation and many other proposals to make Michigan a better place to live and work.

The past week was no exception. We in the Senate passed a number of bills that, if signed into law, will significantly impact state citizens. Rather than focus on one or two of those issues, I have decided to provide you with a brief summary of a few of the major proposals we sent over to the Michigan House.

**School Testing.** Right now, school districts can develop local tests for the purposes of awarding state-endorsed diplomas. They can do this until 1996. But for 1997 graduates, school districts must use a test developed by the state.

Because I believe districts using tests equal to or tougher than the state test have a right to hold their students to higher standards, I sponsored two bills that will allow the 24 districts with their own tests to continue using them in the future.

Senate Bills 1150-51 were approved Wednesday in the Senate. Under the bills, the local tests would be approved by the state every five years.

This issue has a direct effect on West Michigan because the Rockford school district here has developed its own tests and they have proven quite successful.

**Gun-Free Schools.** Senate Bill 966, also passed Wednesday, is an effort to combat violence in our schools. This measure requires expulsion for students found in possession of a gun or any other dangerous weapon on school property. Students in the fifth grade or lower would be expelled for 90 days, while students in the sixth grade or higher will be out of school for 180 days. Expelled students could not enroll in another school district until the expulsion period has been exhausted.

This is a tough and necessary bill. Every day in the United States, 135,000 guns are brought into schools, and 28,000 secondary school students are attacked each month. In fact, half of all teen-age violent crime occurs in school buildings, on school property or on nearby streets.

For the sake of my children and yours and the teachers we

ask to educate them, this violence must stop. In some schools throughout the nation and in this state, students attend with fear. How can we expect our children to get an education and the teachers to do their jobs when they cannot feel safe in their classrooms?

Some may think this is just a big city issue, but it goes beyond that. Carol Powell, a West Branch teacher who was threatened by a 13-year-old student with a loaded semi-automatic weapon, said her life has been changed forever. "Children bringing guns to school has become a real, common and deadly occurrence," Powell said. "It changes innocent lives forever. It can destroy a child's or a teacher's sense of well-being and safety that schools have tried so hard to build."

This legislation will send a strong message to students and parents that guns and other weapons will not be tolerated in school. It will also ensure offenders do not get another chance to victimize other students and teachers. It is a crucial step toward improving our schools.

**High-Speed Chase Package.** Every year, innocent people are killed or injured because they get caught in the middle of high-speed chases. In fact, a 1991 study shows that at least 30 innocent people died in a nine-year period as a result of high-speed pursuits by Detroit police officers.

In an effort to crack down on those who flee and elude police or other emergency vehicles, the Senate passed legislation Wednesday that establishes felony charges. Currently, the offense is a misdemeanor. If a death results from the chase, the offender would face a 15-year sentence. The bills also set up a process to establish standards that emergency personnel must follow when engaging in a high-speed chase.

While the police often must pursue criminals, they must do it in a way that protects the innocent people who are often caught in the crossfire. This legislation encourages responsibility and cracks down on those who force law enforcement officers to engage in dangerous chases.

**Do-Not-Resuscitate.** On Tuesday, we passed a bill that will allow the terminally ill to die in peace and with dignity. Senate Bill 1069 creates the Michigan Do-Not-Resuscitate Procedure Act. Under it, individuals who are 18 or older can execute a do-not-resuscitate order with their physicians. The order demands that in the event of death, the individual must not be resuscitated. In order to ensure emergency workers are aware of the orders, the Michigan Department of Public Health will provide identification bracelets.

Under current law, emergency workers must attempt to resuscitate patients with no vital signs, whether the patient wishes it or not. With this legislation, emergency personnel

will be relieved of the burden of reviving patients they know are beyond saving.

All of these proposals are examples of good public policy. They are measures that will help people throughout the state lead safer, more productive lives, and they treat people with the respect and attention they deserve, both in life and death. As we wrap up this legislative session, we will continue to do all we can to deliver positive reforms like these to all of Michigan's citizens.

## Library, continued

age proposal passes for the district library system, the cost of maintaining the building will be cut in half.

Under the guidelines of the district system, libraries that own their own buildings will be given \$1 for every square foot. That would gen-

erate \$1,100 for the Lowell library to help defray the cost of maintaining the building.

Aronson said she will approach Vergennes Township about the help needed and hope they will agree with the request.

## Township, continued

"We felt since the tower was not in Lowell Township and the fact that we want it to be as low keyed as possible, it would be best not to put a logo on it," said Lowell Township clerk Carol Wells.

The construction of the tower is complete; all that remains is to have it painted. The township said it will be painted blue in an effort to get it to blend with the sky and that is all.

## IN THE SERVICE

Navy Constructionman Melissa M. Turner, daughter of James and Patsy Turner of Lowell, recently reported for duty at Naval Air Station, Sigonella, Italy.

The 1986 graduate of Lowell Senior High School joined the Navy in July 1992.

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## Canfield, continued

close race with Wagner taking the win.

Chiles and Scott Canfield, of Lowell, lined up for the Top Fuel. With a double foul start Canfield, our tract E.T. record holder at 2.85 seconds, took the win.

The stage now set for Top eliminator, the best of the best squared off against each other

(all bracket winners) and when the dust settled for the last time this Memorial Day race, Bruins was victorious. With a smile on his face, a fat wallet and stories of the victory to be told again and again, the Silver Lake Sand Dragway 94 Point Series season is launched.

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Homemade pies and cakes  
Dinner 12-5 pm - Take Outs 12-7 pm  
Adults \$6.00 Children (12 & under) \$3.00 Preschoolers Free  
(Pay At Door)  
Mass - Saturday 4 pm Sunday 10:30 am / Polka Mass

- St. Patrick's Parish Cash Raffle - Tickets \$5.00 - Drawing June 26 at 6 p.m.
- Auction - June 25, 5-8 pm. Large selection of new items and services.
- St. Patrick's Parish Car Raffle - 1994 Chevrolet Camaro Z-28 - Tickets \$20.00 - Drawing June 26 at 6 p.m.

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**LAS VEGAS - CASH SATURDAY 8-12 & SUN. 1-5**

## ANN MULDER

**Board of Education  
One year term**

- QUALIFIED** -
- A current board member
  - Resident of the area for 32 years
  - Four children, all LHS graduates
  - Involved with the activities of children
- COMPETENT** -
- Assistant Director of Nursing involved in staff supervision employee concerns, training programs and problem solving
  - Leadership roles in church, community and professional organizations
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