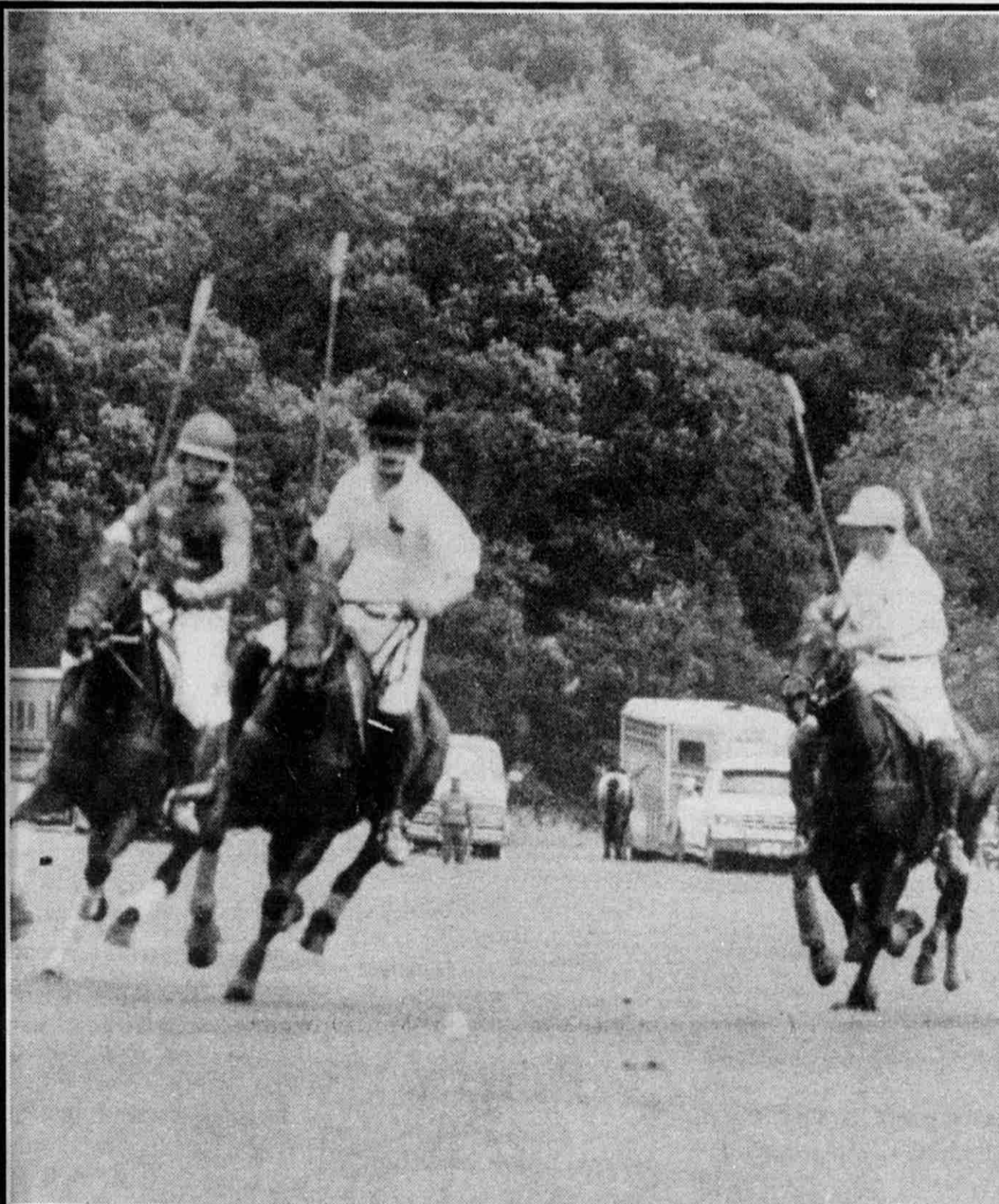


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Polo In The Park

There was plenty of action in Saturday's Polo in the Park match between the WOOD TV 8 team and a club from Milwaukee representing W-Light 95-7. WOOD TV 8 won the contest 13-8. Polo in the Park story, page 3.

LUCKY FELLOW!

Out-going superintendent thankful for his 11 years served as Lowell Superintendent

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Royal Oak's secretary to the superintendent, Suzanne Covert, answered the phone Friday in a most unusual way—"Good morning. Royal Oak Superintendent Fritz Esch's office."

tice that his contract would not be renewed.

Both Nichols and Esch leave schools after extended stays. Nichols had completed 12 years at Royal Oak while Esch had completed 11 at Lowell.

Last May Esch announced he would be resigning from

led the district through many successful millage campaigns. His most significant contribution to the district was



Fritz Esch

I've enjoyed my 11 years here at Lowell. I believe the school district has accomplished a great deal during this time. I only regret that at the apex of the new high school and renovation endeavors that I must leave at this time.

Fritz Esch

That followed Thursday night's 4-3 vote by the Royal Oak School Board to ratify Esch's new four-year contract (renew annually) with the school. He will start his new position beginning July 5.

According to Royal Oak school officials, the "no" votes were not in opposition to Esch, but instead in opposition to the superintendent process search. They did not feel that outgoing Superintendent Lawrence Nichols was given enough prior no-

his post as Lowell Superintendent, effective June 30, 1995.

Esch stated that the school district had experienced significant growth over the last five years and that he felt it was time for the school system to move ahead with new direction and under new leadership.

During Esch's tenure at Lowell Schools, he implemented a school improvement program, a strategic planning program, and

the highly successful \$30 million bonding election for the renovation of existing school buildings and construction of the new high school.

Esch leaves Lowell for a school three times its size. It has 40 administrators, 600 teachers, 400 support staff, two high schools, three middle schools, 13 elementaries and an 800 student body training facility.

While the position is new,

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Legislators determine it's alright for cities to capture school millage for DDA projects

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Recess never allowed enough time for games to be completed.

Cities throughout the state of Michigan, which have outstanding Downtown Development Authority bonds or are selling DDA bonds, kept their fingers crossed that legislators would have enough time before they recessed to complete legislation that would determine if they allow cities to capture school millage for use toward DDA projects. It didn't happen until late Wednesday night.

Legislation was passed that will allow cities to capture existing school and municipal revenue. If there is a shortfall, it is said that the state will reimburse and make up the money.

Back in August of '93, bonding without school millage was miscalculated at \$380,000. It has been recalculated such that the city of Lowell will bond for \$600,000 without the school operating millage. With this millage, the bonding will be at approximately \$1 million.

"It is important to note that the new calculations are only estimates," said Lowell City DDA, cont'd., pg. 8

Election recount shows Mulder was the one-year term winner

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

A petition for a recount, subject to the June 13 Lowell School Board election, uncovered a memory pack programming mistake.

On Tuesday, June 28, the Board of Kent County Canvassers, Bowne Township clerk Sandy Kowalsik and Lowell City clerk Betty

Morlock executed a manual recount of all three precincts for both the one-year seat and the two four-year seats that were up for election.

The recount showed that it was Mulder who garnered the 830 votes and that Jousma received 177 votes. Wendy Southwell's vote count of 527 was correct.

Kay Jones, secretary to the Recount, cont'd., pg. 22



Ann Mulder

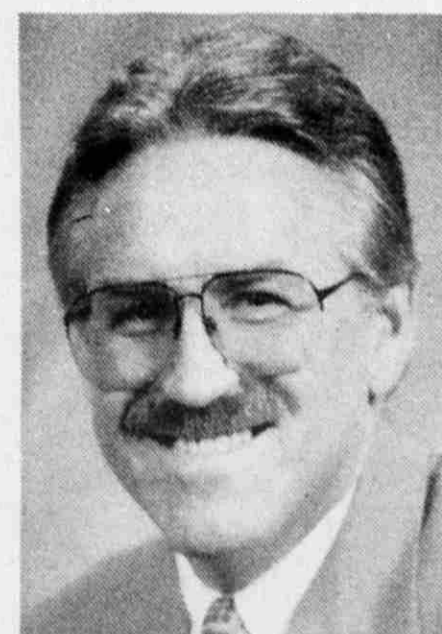
STEADY HE GOES!

Lowell School Board appoints Dick Korb to serve as interim superintendent.

••• *"It's time we focus on what we all have in common, and work together to move forward."*

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell Area Schools will look to a 17-year district veteran, Richard Korb, to serve



Dick Korb

as its interim superintendent as the searching process begins to replace out-going superintendent Fritz Esch. Esch will begin his tour of

duty at Royal Oak Schools on July 5.

Richard Korb, who has served six years as a high school assistant principal, six years as a high school principal and the last five years as the director of school and community services, said he hopes to provide a stable transition between Esch and Lowell's next superintendent.

"Lowell needs to look for the most qualified person out there, it deserves nothing less than that," Korb said.

Korb said he doesn't care to be a caretaker or figurehead, but would like to provide Lowell with leadership to help it move forward.

"Lowell Schools has a number of issues it needs to address, and with open communication to all segments of the community, I think it can begin moving forward," Korb said.

The director of school and community services said while there has been a focus

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New elementary school given a name, pg. 18

King Milling project approved by commission, pg. 8

OBITUARIES

ALDERINK - Harold I. Alderink, aged 93, of Clarksville, passed away Monday, June 27, 1994 at the Lowell Medical Center. He was a lifetime member of the Masonic Temple Lodge #90 of Lowell and also a member of the OES Cyclamen 94 of Lowell. He attended the Elmdale Church of the Nazarene. He is survived by his wife Dorothy; a son Bruce Alderink of Clarksville; a daughter Beverly Overbeck of Woodland; two stepsons Duane Weeks of Saugatuck and Roger Weeks of Clarksville; a brother Merton Alderink of Grand Rapids; a sister Anna Myers of Clarksville; 22 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a sister Irene Morris, a brother Clare Alderink, a granddaughter Nancy Alderink Winkler,

a great grandson, D.J. Winkler, a stepson Donald Weeks and a stepgrandson Dean Weeks. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, June 29, at 2:00 p.m. at the Clarksville Bible Church. Rev. Richard Erdman officiating with interment Saranac Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Elmdale Church of the Nazarene Building Fund.

ARNOLD - George S. Arnold, aged 76, of Saranac, passed away June 24, 1994 in Florida. He is survived by his wife, Myrtle, of Saranac; son Dexter of Saranac; one daughter Marvin (Marilyn) Arnold Parker of Lorain, OH; two brothers, Douglas of Battle Creek and Richard of Grand Blanc; one aunt, Stella Arnold Chase of Saranac; many cousins, nieces and nephews. Funeral Services will be held

Wednesday, June 29 at 1:00 p.m. at the Lake Funeral Home with Rev. Craig Adams officiating. Interment Easton Cemetery. Anyone wishing may make contributions to Zion United Methodist Church of Ionia or Faith Lutheran Church of Parish, FL.

BARTLETTE - Jeremiah "Jerry" Bartlette, aged 19, passed away unexpectedly June 20, 1994. He was a 1993 graduate of Cedar Springs High School where he played varsity football. He was most recently employed at G.R. Controls and also worked at Levy Music & Video. He is survived by his mother, Judy Evans of Grand Rapids; his father, Brian Bartlette of South Bend, IN; his stepfather, Bruce Evans of Middleville; and many special moms and dads; sister, Maris-Lyn Bartlette of Grand Rapids; stepbrothers and step-sister, Ann Black of Lowell, Mark and Lisa Evans of Hopkins, Pat and Kay Evans

of Grand Rapids and L.Cpl. Brice Bartlette of Camp Pendleton, CA; grandparents, Mary Lou Phillips of Rockford, Erma Bartlette of Cedar Springs and Charles and Dee Bartlette of Palm Bay, FL; stepgrandmother, Donna Evans of Wayland; aunts, uncles, cousins and very special friends. The service was held Friday morning at Pederson Funeral Home, Pastor John Frye officiating. Interment Bostwick Lake Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Cedar Springs Education Foundation, designated for athletics.

BOHN - Mrs. Ella May Bohn, aged 86, of Grand Rapids, died Sunday, June 26, 1994 at the Tender Care Nursing Home, Hastings. She was preceded in death by her husband, August C. Bohn, in 1975; by a granddaughter and by a great-granddaughter. Surviving are two sons, Robert and Betty Bohn of Saranac, Kenneth and Ruth Bohn of Hastings; seven grandchildren; many great-grandchildren; one brother Burton and Lillian Smith of Grand Rapids; one sister, Mildred and Earl Vinton of Arnoldsville, GA; and several nieces and nephews. Mrs. Bohn was a past member of the Eastern Star. Funeral and Committal Services were held Tuesday, Interment in Chapel Hill Memorial Garden.

DYBERT - Mr. Athol (Dick) Dybert, aged 80, of Grandville, passed away Wednesday, June 22, 1994. Surviving are his children, Larry and Midge Pippel of Kentwood, Linda Kay and Jim Anderson of Jenison, Edward Dybert of Lansing; his grandchildren, Kris and Greg

Pippel, Jimmy, Jennifer, and Julia Anderson, Ryan Dybert; his sister and brothers, Maxine Kropf of Lowell, Lloyd (Juanita) Dybert of Grand Rapids, Lincoln (Dorothy) Dybert of Ionia, Darl (Betty) Dybert of Grand Haven. Funeral Services were held Saturday with Dr. S.R. Richardson officiating. Interment Graceland Memorial Park. Those who wish may make memorial contributions to Hospice of Greater Grand Rapids.

MACKINNON - Martha Jean MacKinnon, aged 76, of Cedar Springs, passed away June 21, 1994 in Belding. She is survived by her husband Cecil of Cedar Springs; son Bruce Patterson of Ionia; daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rickert of Saranac; five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, three stepchildren, several stepgrandchildren and great-grandchildren. Cremation has taken place and memorial services were held Saturday at the United Methodist Church, Cedar Springs. Memorial contributions may be made to the Church Building Fund or American Cancer Society.

REEG - Mrs. Marilyn J. Reeg, aged 58, of Grand Rapids, went to be with her Lord on Wednesday, June 22, 1994, after a courageous three-year battle with lung and bone cancer. She is survived by her loving and devoted husband David; her four children, Crystal and Bruce Bellgraph of Alto, Ryan and Julie Reeg of Granger, IN, Lorie and Fernando Rodriguez of Morelia, Mexico and Amy Jo Reeg of St. Louis, MO; her grandchildren, Kyle and Steven Bellgraph, Kayla, Emily and Hannah Reeg and

Stephanie, Fernando and Kevin Rodriguez; her sister and brother-in-law, Margaret and Gail Landon, her brother and sister-in-law, Jim and Jeanne Slusser and several nieces and nephews. She was a 1957 graduate of Central Michigan University. She taught elementary and junior high in Coldwater, MI for seven years before joining World Book Educational Products in 1964. She retired in 1991. She was an active member of Delta Zeta Sorority and the World Book Alumni. The Mass of Christian Burial was offered Saturday morning at Holy Family Catholic Church, Rev. Fr. James Cusack celebrant. Memorial contributions may be made to Visiting Nurse-Hospice.

SCHIEDEL (Comstock Park) - Mrs. Catherine Scheidel, aged 91, passed away Sunday afternoon, June 26, 1994. She was a member of Holy Trinity Alpine Catholic Church, Holy Trinity Altar Society, Holy Trinity Senior Citizens, and a former 4-H leader. Mrs. Scheidel was a member of the first coed graduating class at Catholic Central. For several years she worked at Quality Creamery. Surviving her are her sons and their wives, Tom and Florence Scheidel of Lowell, John and Rose Scheidel of Rockford, Dick and Juanita Scheidel of Belmont; 11 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Theodore (Eva) Scheidel of Comstock Park. Her husband, Sylvester Scheidel, passed away May 18, 1981. The Mass of Christian Burial was held Wednesday at Holy Trinity Alpine Church. Interment in Holy Trinity Cemetery. Memorials may be given to the Building Fund at Holy Trinity Alpine Church.

SPAULDING - Anna M. Spaulding, aged 69, of Freeport (originally from Cascade) passed away Saturday, June 25, 1994 at her home. She is survived by her husband, William; children Donald Spaulding Sr., Alto, Barbara (Duane) Fisher, Saranac, Sandra Alsteens, Grand Haven, Steven (Joyce) Spaulding Sr., Gowen, and Joyce (Gary Sr.) Callihan, Clarksville; brothers, Ora (Martha) Boilanger and Herbert (Allene) Boilanger, both of Indiana; 13 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. Funeral Services were held on Tuesday, Rev. Walter Winebrenner officiating. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Barry County.

VANDERSCHER - Jesus took our little angel, Amanda Renee VanDerScheer, aged 8, home to be with Him on Monday, June 20, 1994. Surviving are her parents, Ken and Kim VanDerScheer of Alto; her sisters and brother, Stephanie, Christopher and Erika; her grandparents, John and Lorene VanDerScheer of Rockford, Ralph and Sheila Bischoff of Cutlerville; her great-grandma, Violet Brace of Cedar Springs; and several aunts, uncles and cousins. The Funeral Service was held Thursday morning, Pastor Bruce A. Sabados officiating. Interment Alaska Cemetery.

Benefit enhances awareness of both polo and Broadway Theatre Guild

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

The goal of the Broadway Theatre Guild is quite simply to bring the best of Broadway to Grand Rapids.

Kentree Polo Club's Flat River Field in Lowell is quite simply the home of some of West Michigan's best polo players.

The four-year partnership between the two has quite simply raised the curtain on each of the last three Broadway Theatre Guild's seasons.

Dave Mix, co-chairman of

this year's Polo in the Park, said the event pays for the cost of the shows each season.

The Broadway Theatre Guild has been the sole recipient of the event's revenues. Those revenues have ranged from \$28,000 to \$52,000 (including underwriting). This year's numbers have not yet been determined.

"The underwriting portion is extremely important," Mix said. "That puts us on the front line."

The event not only raises the awareness of the Broadway Theatre Guild but also unveils the excitement of polo

to those who might not otherwise become familiar with the game.

Mel Cummings, president of the Broadway Theatre Guild, has strong ties to both the theatre and polo.

His son, Peter, graduated from Denison University in 1988. He has since pursued a professional polo career and has played in Canada, Argentina and Africa. He represented the USA in a world

championship in Chile. "It's something unique. This event has increased the awareness of polo," Mix said. "A lot of people don't know a lot about the game of polo. I think it is a unique, elitist but fun, sport."

The Polo in the Park event has grown with that increase in awareness.

"It's grown tremendously over the last four years. The event now has four food

booths and three restaurants involved. We've also seen an increase in family-type activities. This year we've added a petting zoo for the children," said Mix who is aided by approximately 150 volunteers.

The poor weather leading up to the event on Saturday may have kept the crowd below the 3,000 spectator average.

Mix said in 1993 the event raised \$35,000. In each of the

first two years, Polo in the Park raised \$50,000. The Broadway Theatre Guild was hopeful of reaching its \$100,000 goal.

Joining Cummings on the Grand Rapids team were Scott Devon, Jose Manuel Campos and Steve VanAndel.

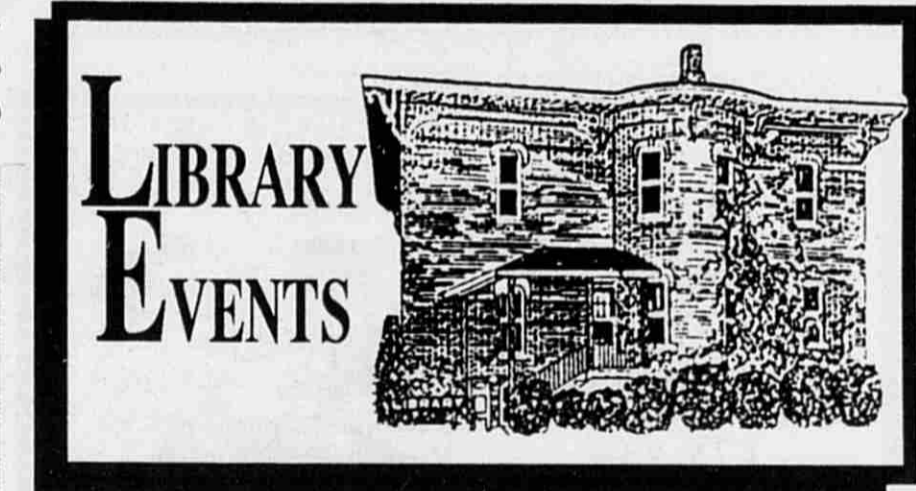
In Saturday's six chucker, eight-goal contest against a club from Milwaukee, Grand Rapids posted a 13-8 win.

Saturday, July 23, at 9:30 or 11 a.m. Free family movie: *The Secret Garden* at Showcase Cinemas. Tickets required and available while supplies last beginning July 1 at any Kent County branch library.

Monday, July 25, at 11 a.m. Free movie: *The Doll House Murder* - Ages seven and up. Based on Betty Wright's book.

July 5-8 is Puzzle Week. Puzzles and activities to take home or do in the library. Remember to turn in a Mosquito Card for every two hours you read. An added treat is the free SPLASH pass and seven other prizes drawn at every program.

Friends Of The Library meets the second Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at the Lowell Library. If you are interested in promoting the needs of the library, come and join us as we focus on not only the immediate needs of the library but on the projection of a new library building.



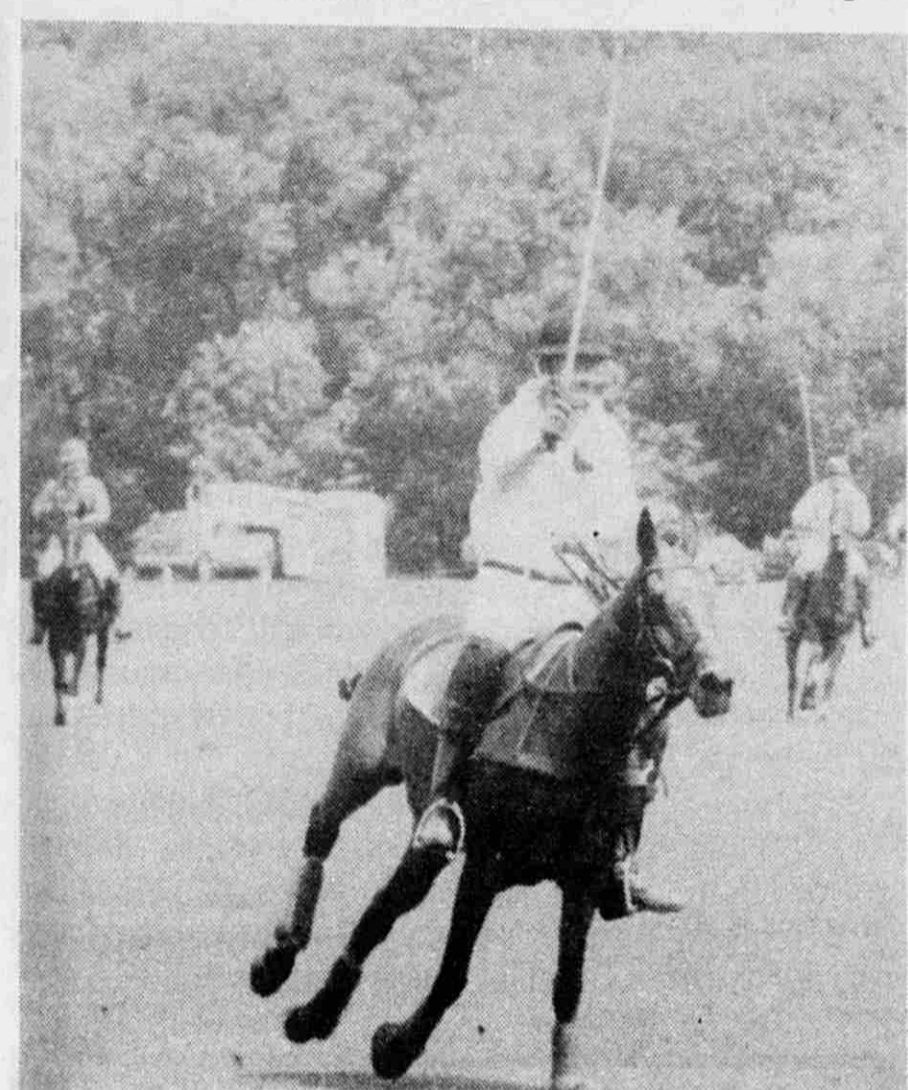
The Camp Read reading program had its kick-off on June 20 with 72 children attending the puppet theatre presentation of Jon Scieszka's book, *The True Story of the Three Little Pigs*.

The July programs begin at 11 a.m. and are 45-60 minutes long unless otherwise noted.

Thursday, July 7, at 2 p.m. (At the East Grand Rapids branch) FOX 17 READING PARTY - All ages - Meet Miranda & White Caps representative at the party. Great fun and prizes including passes to Michigan Adventure & Cedar Point.

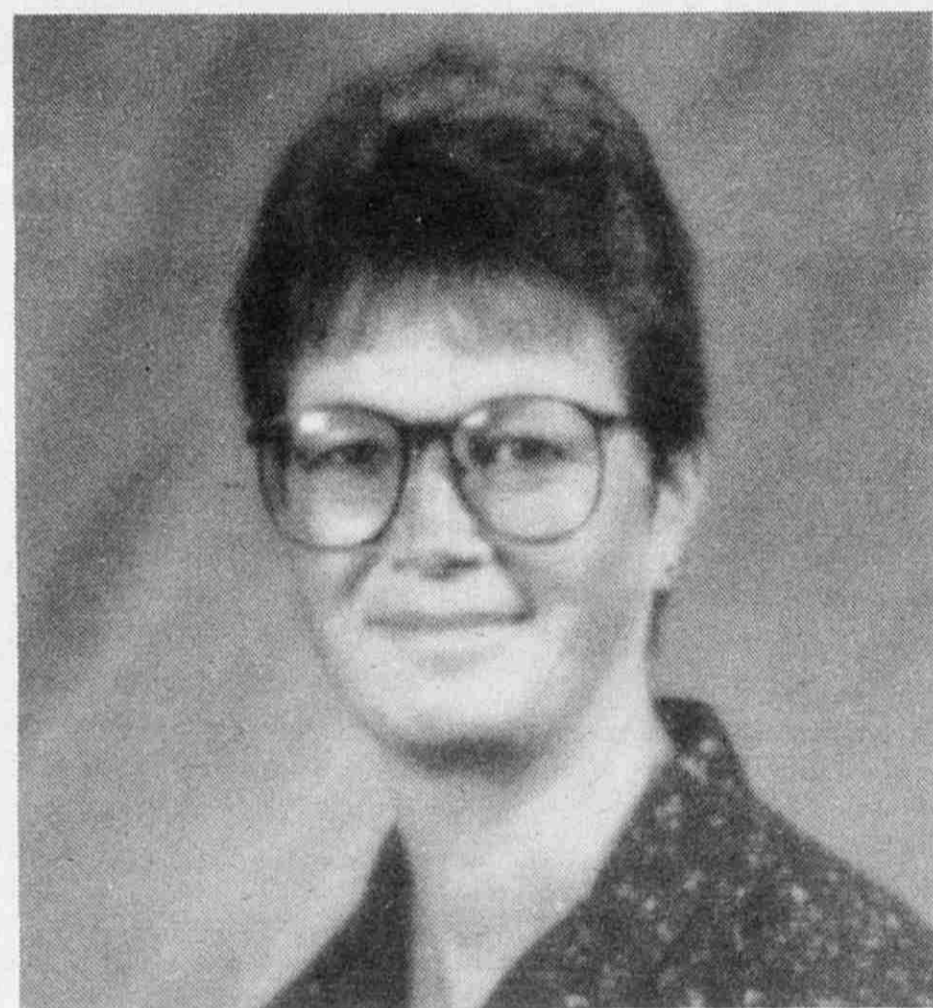
Monday, July 11, at 11 a.m. String games for ages nine and up. Learn how to make fun & fabulous patterns with string. Materials supplied. Registration limited to 20.

Monday, July 18, anytime between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Shirt painting. All ages (six and under must be with an adult). Bring your own tee shirt. Paint & stencil supplied. This activity will take about 10 minutes to do.



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The June 1994 FMB State Savings Bank "Employee of the Month" is Patricia K. Finkler. Patricia has been a bank employee for 2 years and works as a teller. When asked about her job at the bank, she replied, "I enjoy the people I work with and feel I get a lot of support from my co-workers. I like dealing with the public and meeting new people."

Patricia has lived in Lowell most of her life. She graduated from Lowell High School and decided to raise her family here. She has a son, Brian, 14, and a daughter, Jeni, 17. She is a member of First Congregational Church and her hobbies consist of reading and watching old movies.

Congratulations Patricia K. Finkler, June Employee of the Month.

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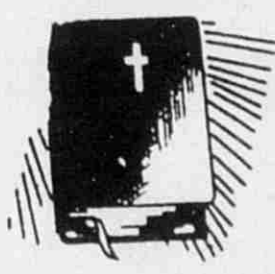
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Homespun Devotions

By Pauline Spray

My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O Lord; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up (Psalm 5:3).

I love the quiet hush of early morning, that time before

the world has begun its wild, mad rush. It is then one can hear the hungry birds chirping as they rustle up their breakfast. I like to dig in the earth, pull weeds out of my flower beds, and enjoy the

freshness of the new-born day. The cares and noises of daily living have a way of cluttering up one's mind and dulling one's spiritual receptivity. In the stillness of the early morning hours there are fewer distractions and it is easier to hear God's voice and feel His presence.

My heart was thrilled at the beginning of a day to hear a neighbor whistling the beloved hymn, "Take Time to Be Holy."

Morning is the time to "take time" to be holy, to begin the day right—with God. Prayer lifts one's heart up to Him and holds one to Him throughout the day. A portion read from His Word sets the



Kathy Lynn McFall and Thomas Nugent

McFall and Nugent to wed in September

James and Sharon McFall and Terrance and Jean Nugent, both of Lowell, are proud to announce the wedding of their children, Kathy Lynn and Thomas Nugent, on September 24, 1994. Both are graduates of Lowell Senior High School and Michigan State University. McFall graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Financial Administration and Nugent graduated with a dual Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Communications and Agricultural Economics.

AREA BIRTHS

Russ and Kim Race are proud to announce the birth of their son Garrett Alden on June 1, 1994.

He weighed 8 lbs. 4 oz. and was 21 inches long. He is welcomed home by big brother Logan.

Grandparents are Jim and Sharon McFall of Lowell, Bill and Marilyn Race of Indianapolis, IN. Great-grandparents are Paul and Eleanor Dintaman of Alto.

Viewpoint . . .



cozy corner by Roger Brown

About six weeks ago I was following a guy pulling a large trailer heavily loaded with landscape bark. He was driving a full-size pickup truck at a moderate speed on a clear, dry, open road. We topped a small hill and I had a chance to pass. As I went around the guy I noticed his trailer had begun to sway, or fishtail. Curious, I watched in my rearview mirror. I should have taken notes. Little did I know that what was about to happen to this poor guy was soon to bite me. *Deja vu* — all over again.

As I watched, the fishtailing became steadily worse. Before long the entire rig was sideways in the road as if it was swinging on the end of some invisible pendulum. I suppose some physics student could explain what takes place in this scenario. All I know is, it looked plenty scary to me. I can't swear to it, but even at my safe distance I think I could see the driver's eyes bulge out and read his lips. I can't repeat what I think he was saying.

Eventually, the truck and trailer went completely out of control, jackknifed and careened down into the ditch. I went back to see if the driver was hurt, or if I could be of any assistance. Shaken, but otherwise uninjured, the driver was already out of his vehicle and inspecting the damage. It was considerable. The heavy iron tongue of the trailer was twisted like a pretzel. The truck didn't fare too well either. Everything was mired in the soft dirt in the ditch and it was obvious some

heavy equipment would be necessary to extract the wreck.

I remember feeling sorry for the guy, but thinking a good driver, such as myself, could have gotten things under control. I hate having smug thoughts like that. They always come back to bite me!

Last Friday was moving day for my mother-in-law. I had borrowed a large enclosed cargo trailer from a fellow I know. To give you an idea of the size of this thing, he hauls an antique car in it. My jeep looked like a toy hooked to it. We had loaded most of her household belongings on Thursday night. I got out of work early on Friday, finished loading the trailer and took off for her cottage 200 miles north of here at about 3:30. I had my dog in the back of the fairly new Jeep I depend on to make my rounds on business. I was towing a borrowed trailer containing practically everything my mother-in-law owns. It was raining. The wind was blowing. Traffic was heavy with people getting out of work and heading north for the weekend. I never heard it, but the Twilight Zone theme music should have been audible in the background.

Things went pretty good for awhile. I got almost to Three Mile Road north of town when I started down my first grade and was able to nurse my rig up past 40 miles per hour. At about 55 I felt the trailer sway slightly. I let off the gas, and the swaying worsened. I stepped on the gas and the swaying continued to worsen. I tried adjusting with the steering, turning with the convulsions like you would when skidding on ice. Nothing seemed to help. With each swing of the invisible pendulum, I went more and more out of control. In flying circles, the term "pucker factor" is used when describing tense situations. That's when your butt cheeks involuntarily grab the seat under you. About this time I had some serious pucker factor working.

In the movie "Star Wars," Old Ben kept telling Luke to "Go with the Force," "Feel the Force, Luke!" Well, I was feeling the Force alright, and I was definitely going with it. Right into the ditch! Before it was over, I was sideways in the road several times, panicked, but grateful there wasn't a big

Would-be vacationers are urged to spend their vacations in healthy country air, harvesting fruit and vegetable crops.

N.Y. Gov. Thomas Dewey and Ohio Gov. John Bricker are nominated for president/vice president at the Republican National Convention in Chicago.

semi coming from the north. I can't tell you what all transpired before I ended up in the ditch. I was jackknifed against the trailer which was jutting out into the roadway at a right angle. Because this is a family newspaper, I also can't tell my thoughts and mutterings at the time. I have no idea what my dog, Thor, thought of all this but, from the back of the Jeep, he certainly had a good view of things.

I didn't want to get out and inspect the damage. I remembered all too well the scene following the accident I had recently witnessed. When I did get out, I found that things weren't nearly as bad as I had envisioned. The trailer tongue was dented from where it pinched against the heavy duty hitch. There was some superficial damage to the sheet metal on the trailer and my Jeep where they came together. All in all, I was very, very lucky. In fact, I was so lucky, I was able to back the mess up out of the ditch without calling a wrecker. I could have just as easily collided with oncoming traffic or rolled the whole thing upside down in the ditch. Maybe the Force was with me.

Five hours later I pulled into the cottage. I'd driven the entire distance at no more than fifty miles per hour with white knuckles on the wheel even at that speed. I didn't score any points with people trying to get north for the weekend. Especially on two lane roads. I was flipped off by more than one passing vehicle. Oh well.

In summation, I'll give you some advice. Don't ever borrow a trailer. Don't ever overload a trailer. Don't tow a trailer with a vehicle that looks like a toy when hooked to it. If you ever see a trailer fishtailing on the highway... stay clear! And most important of all, never, never, never get that smug "I'm a better driver than that" feeling if you see some poops pull this stunt. I'm telling you, once that fishtailing starts, driving hasn't got a thing to do with it. It's pure luck from there on out, and I feel very lucky to be telling you about this from my office and not a hospital bed.

TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

In response to Glenna Blanding's letter (6/22/94). We do not feel she (new board member) misrepresented herself. It's no one's business in the first place if your child goes to a private or parochial school.

G. Blanding implied, if you have no children in a public school, you should not run or serve on the school board. We all pay school taxes and we have the right to know how our money is being spent and who has a say in spending it, even though we have no children in the school.

We hope she can, as she said "restore fiscal responsibility and redeem the public trust."

We do not know her personally, but we know who G. Blanding is referring to. We voted for her because we believe she was the best qualified for the post.

You have a right to your opinion and so do we, but no one deserved such sarcastic remarks made about them (referring to her as "one of those members" and "this particular candidate"). Incidentally, we do not belong to CQE, nor have you ever seen our names on lists backing any one candidate.

Sincerely,
Mr. & Mrs. I. Roskamp

To the Editor:
We would like to express our feelings about a decision made by the Lowell City Council regarding a bid for Heating, AC and Ductwork to be done at the City Hall. Three companies were asked to bid on this work. One of the companies is a very small one and did not submit a bid.

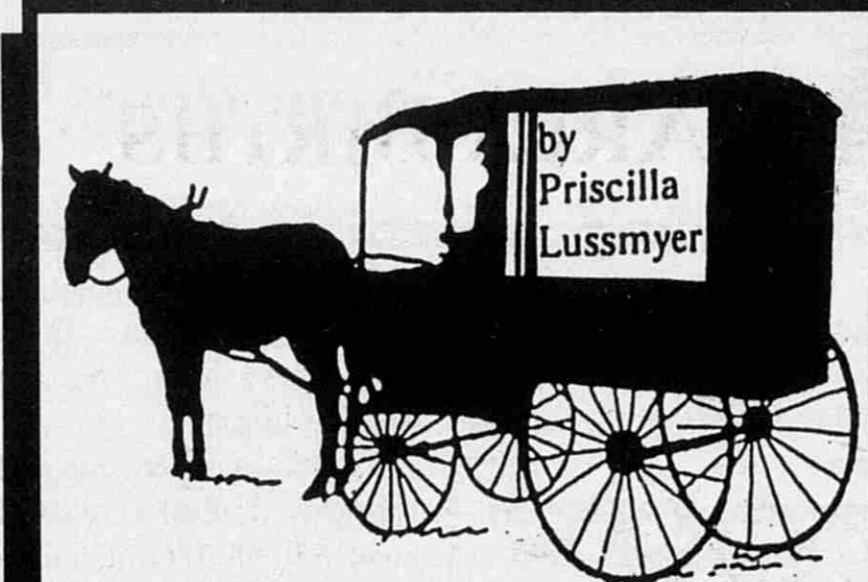
The other company was from Grand Rapids and bid \$229 lower than Lowell Heating & Airconditioning. They have a policy that they have to go with the lowest bid, but exceptions have been made before.

Ask these questions: Does this outside contractor support the community like we do? How much do you save if a company has to come out to do a service call from Grand Rapids? JUST REMEMBER, THIS IS ALL TAXPAYERS MONEY!!! Why has the city called Lowell Heating & Airconditioning to service the police and fire department several times this year?

Example: Lowell Heating & Airconditioning supports the fire prevention program through the fire Department DARE program, sports programs at the schools, 5th-grade camp at Alto School, and we provide full-time work for five local citizens, who in return support Lowell, either through schools, stores, etc. We provided work for a laid-off school employee this past year and we pay taxes.

If we had been off a great deal, then yes, it should go to the outside contractor, but the difference is too small to not take in consideration what a local business contributes to the community.

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

100 YEARS AGO IN THE JOURNAL - JUNE 27, 1894
73-year-old Mrs. James Shepard is attacked by a tramp while walking home in the evening. She takes his club away and hits him over the head, yells for help, but breaks her arm in the process.

Chris Blaser's cheese-making operation at Alto is taking 900 pounds of milk a day.

The welcome rain Sunday was driven by damaging winds; the east side of Lowell is hard-hit.

"Coxey's Army," which marched to Washington from Massillon, Ohio several weeks ago in protest against the recession is reported to be starving, but want to go to New York before returning to Ohio.

75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JUNE 26, 1919
The Michigan Motor Garment Co. prepares to open factory number three in Lowell, installing machinery in the west end of the Reed Block. They plan to open June 30.

The first Wednesday night concert and dance downtown was a big success. The Elks' Band of Grand Rapids played until 10:30.

The Michigan Millers' Association warns farmers to weed out the rye from wheat fields now, or expect much lower prices at harvest.

Kent County roads, once the worst in the state, are rapidly becoming the best, says the Grand Rapids Press.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JUNE 29, 1944
The heat's on—more than 100 degrees in the shade Tuesday evening, following last Thursday's downpour of almost 3 inches.

Carleton Runciman is appointed head of the State Social Welfare Commission.

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ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH 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.		CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH OF LOWELL REV. CARL J. REITSMA - 897-9836 1151 West Main Street, Lowell, MI Morning Worship..... 10:00 A.M. Sunday School..... 11:20 A.M. Evening Worship..... 6:00 P.M. Nursery available at both services Barrier-Free	CORNERSTONE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF LOWELL 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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FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL (United Church of Christ) 404 North Hudson • 897-5906 Worship and Church School..... 10:00 A.M. Dr. Roger LaWarre..... Pastor Eleanor Martin..... Director of Education Barrier-Free..... Nursery Provided	ALTON BIBLE CHURCH Lincoln Lake Ave. at 3 Mile Road Sunday School..... 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship..... 11:00 A.M. Evening Praise..... 6:00 P.M. Wednesday AWANA..... 7:00 P.M. (Sept. - April) Prayer and Bible Study..... 7:30 P.M. REV. KENNETH R. MCGEE, Pastor 897-5648 or 897-4273 YOU ARE WELCOME!	DAY BIBLE CHAPEL "A friendly church with a life changing message" • God Loves you and has a plan for your life. • Jesus Christ died on the cross for your sins. • Forgiveness is yours and Heaven your destination when you believe in Christ. Sunday Service..... 10:00 A.M. Bible Study..... 7 P.M. Tuesdays 897-6322 Located: on Centerline Rd. just east of Pinkney or 1/2 miles west of Hawley Hwy. Pastor Frank and Daphne Littmore	LOWELL CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 201 N. Washington • 897-8800 Sunday School..... 9:45 A.M. Morning Worship..... 11:00 A.M. Sunday Evening..... 6:00 P.M. Wednesday Family Ministry..... 7:00 P.M. Robert L. Walls, Pastor Staffed Nursery Provided Barrier-Free Entrance

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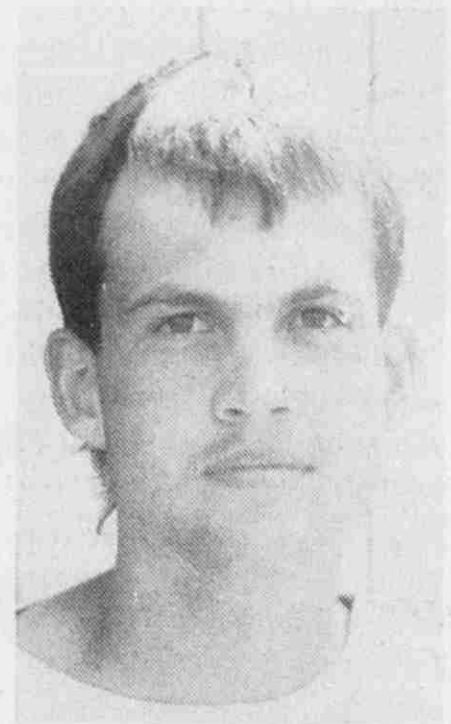
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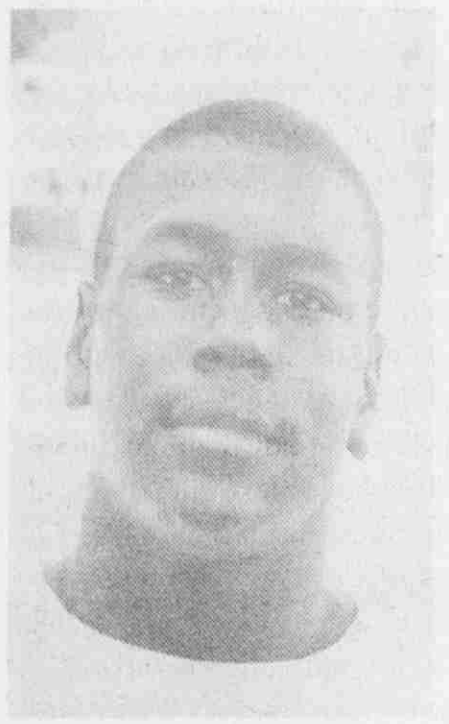
Have you been watching the World Cup?



Darin Stuart
Not much. I like soccer. It's just that I've been pretty busy. It is one of the toughest sports.



Jason Seiler
No. I'm not really a soccer fan. That's because I really never watched or played it as a youth.



Tom Dumas
I've been watching it. It's been pretty interesting. I don't play soccer because I'm not dedicated enough.



Truett Miles
I like soccer, but I've been too busy to watch any of it on television.

Successful Buy-A-Board campaign closes

The Creekside Kingdom Buy-A-Board school campaign came to a close June 7, but not before more than \$1,000 was raised to help fund the new playground. The youngsters involved will each receive a gift certificate for

ice cream from Balls Softee Cream. Elementary phys ed teachers Nancy Anderson, Mark Russell and Bill Stouffer assisted in collecting the forms and securing the monies. "This was an incredible

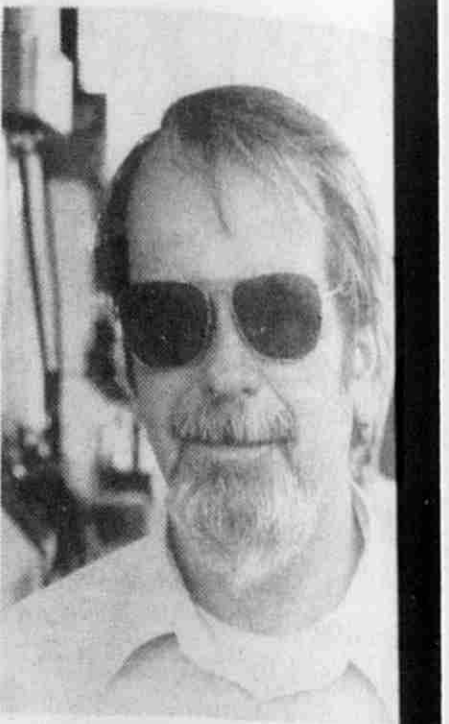
addition to the Create-A-Kingdom effort," said Tina Phillips, co-coordinator of Creekside Kingdom Playground Committee. "It is very encouraging to see the kids respond to this project."

Andrew Hopkins, a student from Mrs. Burd's kindergarten class, was awarded the pizza party from Chuck-E-Cheeze. His name was drawn from all entrants received by June 7.

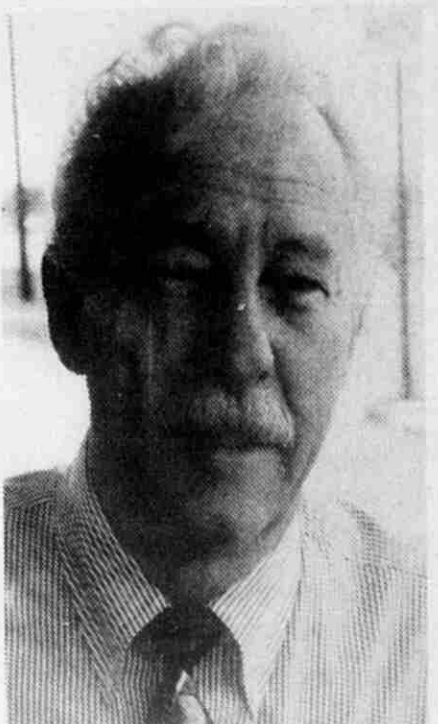
Children participating in the event were: Katie Gunberg, Jenny Gunberg, Mandy Gunberg, Andrew Hopkins, Kelsea Phillips, Brian Pfaller, Malley Cahoon, Ben Baughman, Danielle Nebelung, Ryan Karasiewicz, Chris Curtis, Stafany Bieber, Kory Anderson, Josh Anderson, Devin Kyllonen, Noah Fremer, Nathan Luebs, Andrew Min, Kristie Luebs, Drew Ingraham, Adam Ingraham, Brian Janeschek, Andy Curtis, Ashley VanEck, Whitney Jernigan, Jonathan Walker, Michael Shinabery, Rachell Wernet and Daniel Brinks.



Sharon Miles
Yes, I've watched the World Cup. My grandson is nuts about it. He's also pretty good at it.



Don Bridgewater
I haven't had time. I haven't paid much attention to soccer or any other sport since college.



Ken Walsh
Yes. My boss is an Englishman and that's all he talks about.



Tim Wood
No, I haven't. I don't like soccer; it's boring.

The Secret Garden featured at "Camp Read"

Participants of the Kent County Library System's "Camp Read" summer reading club are invited to attend a special showing of the delightful family film *The Secret Garden*.

The movie will be shown Saturday morning, July 23, at 9:30 and 11 a.m. at Showcase Cinemas, 5100 28th St. S.E.

All reading club members are welcome. Admission is by free tickets only; the tickets will be available at Kent County Library System branches beginning July 1.

For more information, call the youth services department, 336-3253, or the Lowell branch, 897-9596.

Letters, continued...

It is probably who you know, not what you know. And for sure, not what you do... Thank you, Jim Hodges, for supporting the Lowell businesses.

Catharina Evert Bek

Dear Editor:

At the school board meeting on June 21, I again witnessed the anger and unreasonable negative attitudes of the Citizens for Quality Education and others who are

associated with them. I have observed their unruly techniques at school board meetings since last fall and have been trying to determine their objectives. My conclusion is they do not value treating people with respect. CQE claims they are only doing what is "best for the district" when in fact their behaviors are identical to the traits they have often attributed to others. They are closed minded to change, unfair, and dishonest.

Their methods include making themselves the center of attention using their self-assumed power and attempts to gain control.

The CQE have turned the school board meetings into stages where they have attempted to belittle and embarrass the board and administration. Most of the "questions" they ask could be answered by a phone call or visit to an administrator. Instead CQE and friends are confrontational at public meetings where access to specific answers are not always avail-

able without prior research. When answers are given they are often "unsuitable" to the CQE who then accuses the individual of not doing their job. Their accusations contain half-truths (and sometimes outright lies) and they make many demands that are totally unreasonable and beyond the realm of current budget constraints.

Unfortunately, when administrators or teachers do not agree with their position the CQE launches personal attacks. These have taken place at board meetings, in

the Ledger and Grand Rapids Press, and even in classrooms in front of students. In their quest for control, they are intent on destroying the career of anyone who disagrees with their methods or opinions.

It is time parents and community members, who value the high quality of education the children in Lowell are receiving, become actively involved in countering the negative effect these people are having on our administration, staff and, ultimately, the students. Sitting back and pretending these people will

"calm down" will lead to an unfortunate situation of potentially losing very good administrators and teachers. CQE's next agenda may very well be censorship and curriculum restrictions based on their views.

Now that CQE has elected two of their friends to the school board, I challenge this group to turn their negative energy and attitudes into positive support for the wonderful educational opportunities available to students in the Lowell schools.

Susan Burt

School's budget deficit to be a topic of concern at roundtable

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

It is not the time to be a finance keeper in many school districts. That holds true in Lowell.

Lowell Area School District will be operating with an approximate \$700,000 budget deficit in 1994-95. That's a fact that doesn't sit well with Assistant Superintendent Gary Kemp or any of those who are attending school meetings.

Lowell Schools expects to get \$14,666,905 in state aid this upcoming year. That is based on the state's new basic foundation grant of \$4,777 per student. Local property taxes will account for \$1.35 million of the revenues.

These numbers represent the change in school financing. For years local property tax accounted for most of schools' revenue. With the reduction of property tax, coming through the passage of Proposal A, most of schools' financial revenues will be dependent on state aid.

Proposed expenditures for the 1994-95 Lowell School year pencil in at \$17,836,929 leaving a deficit of \$728,024.

Kemp said Monday night at a special school board meeting that he is receptive to being a part of a budget roundtable/brainstorming session to discuss ways to overcome the issue of a deficit budget.

To that end, Kemp has invited any who are interested to attend the session on Tuesday July 12, at 7 p.m. at the new middle school library (old high school).

Kemp asked that those who plan on attending, please call his office in advance at 897-4402.

Lowell will carry into the 1994-95 school year a fund equity of \$1.16 million. The question of how much, if any of that, should be used to reduce the deficit will have to be addressed. So, too, will areas in which money can be saved.

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VERGENNES TOWNSHIP Ordinance 94-3
An ordinance amendment to restore to the definition of lot area (Section 201.202 V.) A portion of the definition inadvertently omitted when the definition was amended in December 1989 for another purpose. The definition, including the restored omission, will read as follows (added wording underlined):
SECTION 201.202 V. LOT AREA:
The total horizontal area included within lot lines. However, lot area shall not include land lying below the ordinary high water mark of a lake, river, or pond which is not totally enclosed within the boundary lines of the lot (also see section 201.202 JJ and Article V., Section 201.503 Variance). Where the front lot line is the centerline of a street or lies in part or in whole in the right of way area, the lot area shall not include that part of the lot in use or to be used as the right of way.
Effective date: This Ordinance shall become effective upon its publication.
I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of an ordinance adopted at a regular meeting of the Vergennes Township Board on July 20, 1994.
Mari Stone
Township Clerk

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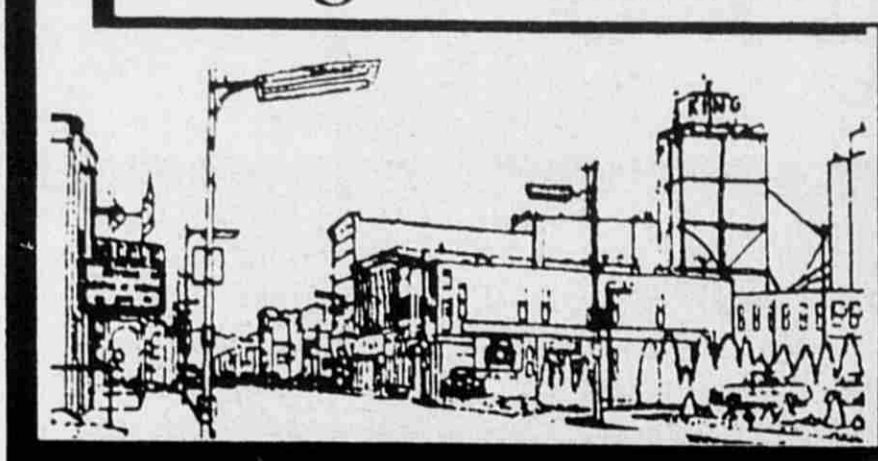
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A public hearing of the Grattan Planning Commission will be held at the Grattan Township Hall, 11676 Old Belding Road, on:
Wednesday, July 6, 1994 at 7:30 p.m. at which time and place the following subject will be heard.
Gerald Gitchel has made special land use permit application for a proposed private road located at 6272 Lincoln Lake Avenue, parcel 41-12-14-351-001, to service proposed home sites. The parcel is located south of M-44 on the east side of Lincoln Lake Avenue.
Written comments concerning this issue should be received prior to the hearing and addressed to: Ron Mayers, Grattan Township Planning Commission, 11676 Old Belding Road, Belding, MI 48809.
Grattan Township

Along Main Street



MUSIC BOOSTER COOKBOOKS AVAILABLE

The Lowell Music Booster cookbooks can be purchased by calling Maureen at Bushnell School, 897-8471, or stop by and pick one up at the Buyers Guide.

LOWELL AREA JAYCEES FOURTH OF JULY PARADE

The Lowell Area Jaycees are looking for entries for the Fourth of July parade which will be held Monday, July 4 at 10 a.m.

If you would like to enter, please contact Dan Chrisman at 897-6035. Parade lineup will begin at 9:30 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church. Bicyclists, remember to enter your bike in the parade.

SHOWBOAT CHORUS REHEARSAL

Roger MacNaughton, director of the 1994 Lowell Showboat Chorus, reports that the next rehearsal will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, July 7 at the First Congregational Church.

If you like to sing and can carry a tune, they'd like to have you be a part of this year's production. Call Carol Briggs, 897-5501, evenings, for more information.

Planning commission approves King Milling project

Michael Lovell
Lowell Ledger Intern

As presented to the Lowell Planning Commission at their June 27 meeting, King Milling is approved to construct a new storehouse building.

The new building will replace the existing structure located between Water Street and the Flat River near the railroad bridge.

There may be some foundation work for the slightly smaller new building but,

hopefully, most of the existing foundation can be used.

The new building will be 4,275 square feet and 28 feet tall, compared with the existing building, which measures 4,470 square feet and 25 feet tall.

In the past, the wood frame building has been used as a processing plant and as a warehouse for packing bran. The new structure will be used for much the same purpose.

One of the main forces driving the construction of the

MUSICIANS NEEDED

Musicians needed to march in Lowell's Fourth of July Parade. We will meet behind the First United Methodist Church at 9:30 a.m. Parade starts at 10 a.m.

High school, middle school and alumni musicians are welcome. For further information call Bob Rice at 897-8959.

MULTI-FAMILY PARKING LOT SALE

There will be a multi-family parking lot sale on Saturday, July 9 from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. in the parking lot of First United Methodist Church of Lowell, corner of Jackson and E. Main. Many families will set up tables to sell their good, reusable secondhand items.

There is plenty of parking on Jackson Street and the main church parking lot. In case of rain, sale inside.

CAR WASH TO BENEFIT CREEKSIDE KINGDOM

A car wash will be held Saturday, July 2 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Family Fare parking lot.

All proceeds will benefit Creekside Kingdom Playland.

COED SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

A coed softball tournament will be held July 30. This is a Class C, 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.

OFF THE BLOTTER

Pearl Murphy, 71, of Lowell, was involved in a property damage accident June 20 on East Main near James Street when the vehicle she was driving was struck by Aliene Dwyer, 66, of Saranac, who attempted to pass her on the right.

Beverly Taylor, 55, of Lowell, pulled from a parking place in the Shell gas station at Main and Hudson Street June 22 and struck a vehicle driven by Aaron Rolfe, 29, of Lowell. No injuries were reported.

A vehicle owned by Jeffery Jacobs, 21, of Saranac, was struck in the front as it was parked in a lot at Main and Hudson Street June 21 by a vehicle that backed into it and was driven by Joseph Houseman, 19, of Hesperia.

John Roberts, 60, of Owosso, was slightly injured in an accident June 22 at Main and Hudson when a vehicle operated by Roger Rymer, 39, of Lansing, struck his vehicle in the rear.

A 16-year-old driver from Lowell turned too sharply in the Shell station at Main and Hudson Street June 22 and pulled gas hose from the pump. No one was injured.

Korb, continued...

in the community on the differing views, he hopes a healing process can begin whereby the focus is on what they all have in common.

"We all have an interest in our school. That is a common thread. Let's magnify what we have in common and move forward," Korb said.

Esch, continued...

Esch is quite familiar with the area. Before moving to Lowell, he served as superintendent in Lamphere, a neighbor to Royal Oak.

"It will be like going back home," Esch said. "We have many friends and acquaintances over there."

He left Lamphere in 1981 to come to Lowell. "When I arrived in '81, the board was together but the staff hated it," Esch said. "Lowell is changing and how successful the new superintendent is will depend on how he/she manages it. However, it cannot take place any faster than the board of education will allow it."

Despite the troubles Lowell has faced over the last couple of years, Esch said it

is an exciting time for Lowell Schools. "Lowell is where it is at today because of the foresight of former board members who made a commitment to Lowell Schools longer than just a couple of years," he said. The former Lowell Superintendent recognized Bob Reagan, Dave Coons, Chris VanAntwerp, Roger Roberts, Roger Knopf and John Haggai as examples of that commitment.

Esch carries with him to Royal Oak a tremendous amount of satisfaction in the completion of the new high school and the renovation work. "I'm also pleased that the school has land available for the next building that may be needed," Esch said.

DDA, continued...

Manager Dave Pasquale.

He added that the percentage of the monies captured in future years, to pay back the bonds, was originally set at 80 percent. That now has been changed to 100 percent. There will be no excess monies for the city's use till the bonds are paid off.

Legislators in Lansing made good on their promise that they had every intention to continue to provide funds to the cities which have already begun the DDA bond process.

The core of Lowell's project will take place between Hudson and Monroe

Streets. It will deal with sidewalk and light fixtures (historical). It will also deal with curb and gutter, landscaping and underground electrical service. Pasquale said the city may be helped with costs in the areas of curb (state) and electric (Lowell Light and Power).

Originally the state had planned to go ahead with paving M-21 (Main St.) in 1996. It stated that it would be willing to help Lowell with curbing if it waited.

The city asked that it move its plans up to 1995.

Legislators have recessed until Sept 13.

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Barbara Walters is host of "In a New Light," an ABC special on Saturday. The two-hour program, which includes a statement from President Clinton, is the focal point of the unprecedented "A National Night Against AIDS" highlighted by viewing parties in cities across the nation.

LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS NOTICE

Due to the renovation work being done at the Middle School, the Board of Education regular meetings will be held in the Bushnell Elementary Media Center at 700 Elizabeth Street.

The meetings begin at 7:30 p.m.
July 11, 1994
August 8, 1994

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THURSDAY EVENING JULY 7, 1994. Broadcast stations table with columns for time slots (7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30) and rows for various channels like WWTM, WOTV, WGVU, etc.

THURSDAY LATE NIGHT JULY 7, 1994. Broadcast stations table with columns for time slots (12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 1:30, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30) and rows for various channels like WWTM, WOTV, WGVU, etc.

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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 29: 7:45 a.m. Women's traveling breakfast.

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COLLEGE NEWS

Julie Tinkenberg of Lowell has been named to the dean's list at Trinity Christian College in Palos Heights, Illinois for the spring semester, 1994.

To qualify for the dean's list, students must be enrolled full-time and earn a semester grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

Stephen Lenger of Lowell entered Kappa Delta Pi during the 1993-94 school year at Taylor University. Lenger, the son of Paula Lenger, is a graduate of Lowell High School.

Kappa Delta Pi is an international honor society for those pursuing a career as educators. Entrance requirements for students include a grade point average of 3.2 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

Taylor University is a Christian liberal arts college based in Upland, IN. The institution maintains campuses in both Upland and Fort Wayne, IN.

Michael A. Ray of Lowell was named to Ferris State

Kathleen Trowbridge and Josh M. Wacławski, Leslie Rebecca Draft of Alto.

Central Michigan University's spring semester honors list includes students from the Lowell area who placed in the top 10 percent of their classes.

In all, 878 CMU students were named to the honors list, and 204 earned straight "A's". About 16,250 students attend CMU in Mount Pleasant.

Included in the list are Dimitri M. Beliaev, Andrew Breimayer, Cara L. Jackson, Linda S. Keim, and Elizabeth J. Nugent, all of Lowell, and Heather M. Burns of Alto.

A total of 1,093 students completed the requirements for certificates, associate's, bachelor's and doctoral degrees at Ferris State University during the winter quarter, which ended May 9, 1994.

Included in the list are Marc Alan Briggs, Sara Elice Dewaard, Heather L. Dubois, Melanie J. Kaeb, Jennifer Langridge, Michelle Anne Lucas, Timothy J. Schumaker and Jennifer Lynn Wieland, all of Lowell.

From the Ada area are Diane Christina Garrett, Kristine M. Grill, Kassand Hulliberger, Dana A. Marquez, Susan Gabrielle Mendoza, Sandra Gail Parfitt,

For the second consecutive year, the Michigan State Board of Education selected Madonna University in Livonia as one of six host schools for the Summer Institute for the Arts and Sciences, a two-week long educational/recreational program for Michigan teens ranging from 15 to 17 years old.

Close to 100 high school students representing 34

counties will arrive on Sunday, July 10, and depart on Saturday, July 23. Included in the list is Christina Thaler, of Lowell, who will study political journalism.

She is the daughter of David and Carolyn Thaler and an honor roll student at Lowell High School. She is a member of the National Honor Society and participates in forensics and drama. She plans to attend college and learn more about writing, psychology and French.

New elementary school given name - "Cherry Creek"

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

For 20 years the building that sits at 12675 Foreman has served as Lowell's Middle School.

During this time it has served as an institution of instruction for sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade students.

It will continue as an institution of instruction, but with the commencement of the 1994-95 school year, it will house second-, third-, fourth and fifth-grade students.

The change in students will also bring about a change in the building's name.

Following a three-week community search, the building's new name will be Cherry Creek Elementary.

The eight-member committee, who made the selection, was made up of three parents from the elementary PTOs, three students who will be attending the school, one board member, and one business member from the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce.

The committee received 189 entries. From that list, 87 different names were submitted. The committee narrowed the list to five before selecting its winner.

The final five names for

the new elementary building were Showboat Elementary, Flat River Elementary, Creekside Elementary, Red River Elementary and Cherry Creek Elementary.

Four participants of the 189 entries recommended the name Cherry Creek. They were Teresa Johnson, fourth-grade; Holly Gregersen, high school senior; D.J. Armstrong, fifth-grade; and Debbie Stoutjesdyk, mother.

Each of them will receive a \$100 savings bond. The money for the bonds was provided by an anonymous donor.

IN THE SERVICE

Marine 2nd Lt. Benjamin P. Richmond, son of Jerold and Diane Richmond of Lowell, recently graduated from the Basic School.

During the course at Marine Corps Combat Development Command, Quantico, VA, newly-commissioned officers are prepared for assignment to the Fleet Marine Force.

The course includes instruction on land navigation, marksmanship, tactics, military law, personnel administration, Marine Corps history and traditions, communications, and the techniques of military instruction.

Officer candidates are also taught leadership by example and the importance of teamwork in addition to participating in a demanding physical conditioning program.

He is a 1989 graduate of Lowell Senior High School. Richmond is a 1993 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD, with a BS degree.

Navy Petty Officer 1st Class David J. Buck, whose wife Janet is the daughter of Nicholas and Nora Chernoby of Lowell, is deployed aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Guam, homeported in Norfolk, VA, and recently participated in the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of D-Day.

Fifty years ago, Allied forces stormed the beaches at Normandy, France, in the greatest amphibious assault in history. Code-named Operation Overlord, D-Day

marked the turning point in the European campaign of World War II. An Allied fleet of 2,727 ships and 2,606 landing craft transported the invasion force which broke through the Nazi's "impenetrable" Atlantic Wall and dug a toe-hold in Europe.

In a little more than a month, one million soldiers were carried by sea to France with the weapons and enormous logistic support demanded by modern warfare; the drive to liberate Europe was not turned back.

During the commemoration Buck's ship visited Southampton, England, and Cherbourg, France, and has now joined the U.S. Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean.

USS Guam and the three other ships of the Mediterranean Amphibious Ready Group are carrying more than 2,000 Marines of the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit.

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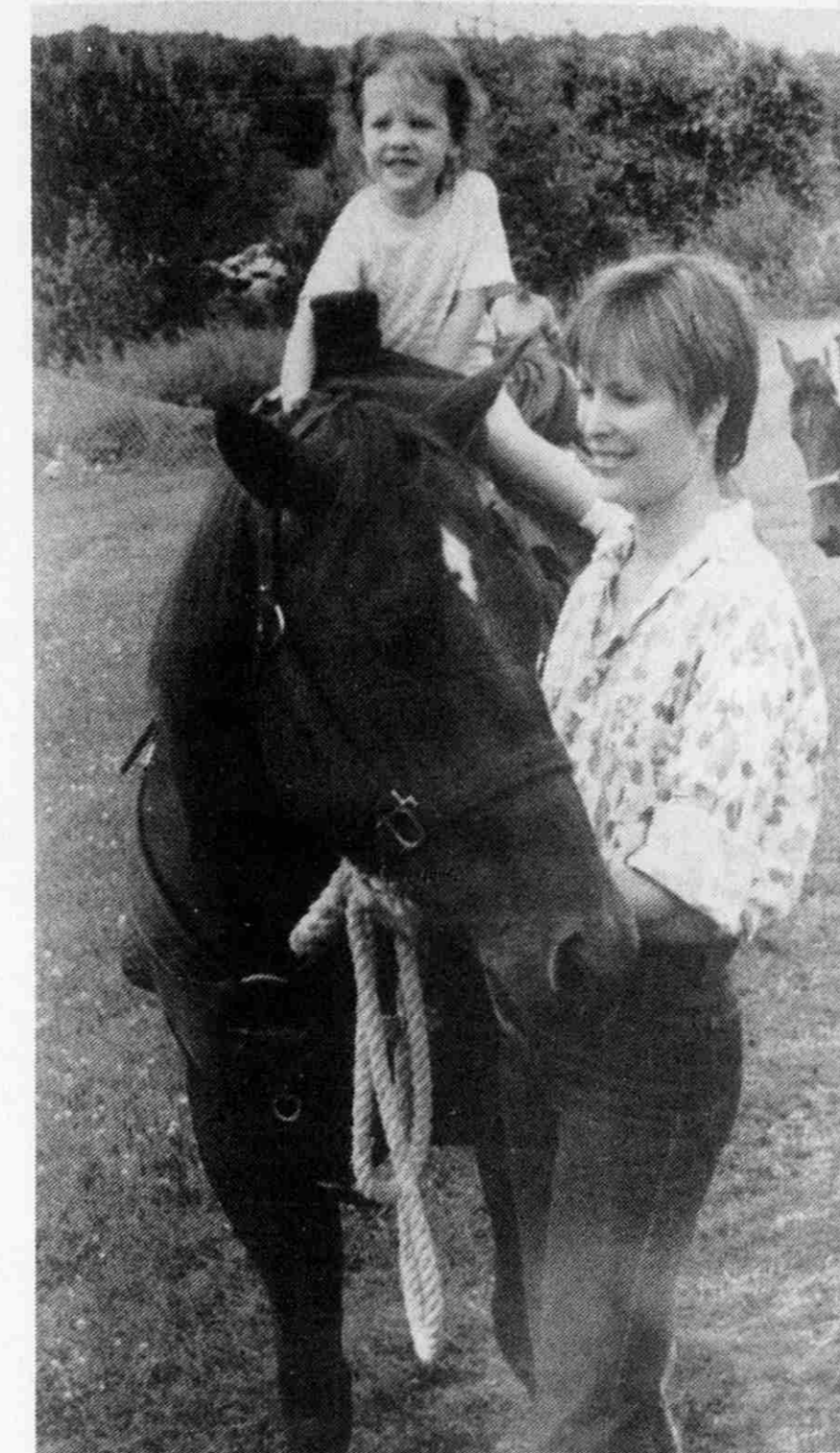
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St. Pat's festival sights



Clinton Russo, nine years old, Heather Carmer, five, and Ashley Carmer, seven (left to right) spend a moment with the piglets.



Allison Stephens, three years old, enjoys her pony ride at St. Patrick's Parish Festival on Sunday.

LEGAL NOTICES

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PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF KENT

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ceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, LORI DOUGHERTY, c/o John D. Mitus, 410 Bridge Street, NW, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504, or to both the independent personal representative and the Kent County Probate Court, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

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Angela Smith purrs like a kitty.

Methodist Church to ring bell of freedom

On July Fourth, Lowell First United Methodist Church will participate in the 1994 "Let Freedom Ring" National Ceremony by ringing the church bell thirteen times at 2 p.m. in honor of The Signers of the Declaration of Independence.

The simultaneous ringing

of bells, from churches, national monuments, state capitols and carillons has now become a tradition of Independence Day celebrations all across America. Last year President Clinton initiated the "Let Freedom Ring" observance from the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia, PA.

In addition to the United Methodist Church, other noteworthy participants in this program now include The National Cathedral in Washington, DC, Old North Church in Boston, MA, The Netherlands Carillon at Arlington National Cemetery, The USS

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YMCA ADULT SUMMER SOFTBALL STANDINGS

Posted 6/27/94

MONDAY CO-ED

TEAM	W	L
ITM	8	0
Lowell Nazarene	6	1
Atwood	5	3
Poster Children	3	5
Alto Baptist	3	5
Country Gardens/Wilcox Farms	3	5
St. Marys	3	5
First Congregational Church	2	5
Lowell Methodist	2	6

TUESDAY - MEN'S OVER '30'

TEAM	W	L
Larkins	7	1
Saranac	6	2
Alto Gas	6	2
Central States	4	4
Carpenters	3	5
Ideal Poured Walls	1	7
Lowell Engineering	1	7

WEDNESDAY - MEN'S

TEAM	W	L
Sneakers	6	1
King Milling	5	2
Moose	2	5
Blue Ribbon Feed	4	3
G.M.A.C.	3	4
Cascade Lawn Sprinkling	1	56

THURSDAY - MEN'S

TEAM	W	L
Ball Busters	6	1
Larkins	6	2
Captain Jacks	5	2
Harold Ziegler Ford	4	3
Sneakers Outlaws	3	4
West Mich. Computer Systems-Snyder Farm Supply	3	4
Lowell Vision	2	6
River Dogs	0	7

FRIDAY - MEN'S

TEAM	W	L
Denny's Dollar Store	7	1
Ostrander Siding/Roofing	7	1
Picking Rock Homes	6	3
Ada Beef	5	3
Lowell Moose	2	6
Precise Engineering	1	6
Lowell Engineering	1	8

In Observance of the 4th Of July Holiday the Buyers Guide, Lowell Ledger Offices will be closed MONDAY, JULY 4TH

The Advertising Deadline Will Be Friday, July 1st at 12:00 noon.

Major street and water main improvements discussed

Michael Lovell
Lowell Ledger Intern

Improvement, repair, and maintenance. Future projects for the 1994-1995 year include:

- *A 6-inch main on King from Jackson to Monroe costing \$45,000.
- *A 6-inch main on High east of Division to improve water pressure costing \$15,000.
- *A 12-inch main on Main from Hudson to Monroe to better balance the water system between the two sides of the river costing \$54,000.
- *A 6-inch main on Grove to High costing \$7,000.
- Projects for 1995-1996 include:
 - *A 12-inch main on Gee from Ridgeview extended east to Foreman costing \$73,000.

The director of the Department of Public Works, Art Gall, has made a list of the projects, as well as their scheduled commencement.

For the water main system, some of the projects are in-

duced by the harsh winter that was experienced, while others are just a result of wear and tear to the system.

*An 8-inch main on Beech between Godfrey to 150 feet north of Birchwood Court.

As far as street improvement goes, the list is long, and expensive. The state gives \$119,000 per year towards major road improvements (salaries, maintenance, supplies and snow removal), but sometimes it doesn't seem like enough.

City Manager Dave Pasquale noted that he wishes that the city could afford to

keep up on all of these projects, but "the funding just isn't there."

Future street improvements include:

- *The widening of the Hudson-Main intersection to allow trucks to pass through the intersection more freely. A cost estimate is \$80,000, with 50 percent coming from the state, 25 percent from the county and the remaining 25 percent from the major streets fund. This project is scheduled for 1995-1996.
- *The reconstruction of Hudson from Bowes to Main which would be a joint effort between the county and the major streets fund. There has been additional talks to rubberize the railroads. Cost for this project totals \$250,000 and is planned for 1996-1997.
- *The improvement of Jefferson from Main to North which will occur in 1997-1998 and cost \$25,000.

In addition to the major street repairs and improvements, numerous local streets are scheduled to be repaired including two in 1994-1995. These are the west end of Bowes cul-de-sac, and High Street and Grove from Avery to James Street. Both projects will cost \$15,000 and be paid for out of the local streets fund.

4-H wants addition to Reath show barn

Michael Lovell
Lowell Ledger Intern

totaling 14 feet of new extension.

The 4-H Club plans to get its materials from Steadfast, who were the creators of the original structure, but will build the addition using volunteer power from the 4-H.

"All of the work for the 4-H is done by volunteers because we feel it is a good experience for the children," said Wenger, who is a farmer in Lowell.

The planning commission said that they have no problems with the project, except that they would like to have a sealed site plan.

Wenger said "that would

be no problem."

The planning commission then set a special meeting for Monday, July 11, to review the future site plan and voted to waive the standard fee of the special meeting.

additional unexpected winter maintenance and routine maintenance salaries.

*Finally, an additional \$3,000 is needed to repair the lift station and \$3,000 is needed for additional professional services (attorney fees).

In all, the budget adjustment went very smoothly, and City Council quickly moved on to the next item on the agenda.

City makes budget amendments

Michael Lovell
Lowell Ledger Intern

More was talked about at the June 20 City Council meeting than just the now-famous M-21/Bowes Road intersection and frozen pipes; also on the docket was a budget adjustment for the 1993-1994 fiscal year.

The budget adjustment discussion didn't last long. As a matter of fact, it was brought up; then, almost as quickly, it was voted on and approved.

Among the biggest changes was the fact that City Council learned late that it must pass a D.D.A. fund budget (Downtown Development Authority) to allow for development in the downtown area.

The 50-cent charge per bag for trash service brought more revenue than the city was originally expecting, netting \$18,000 for the city.

Other changes include:

- *A \$2,410 increase in the Treasury related to additional overtime for two members and additional insurance for one of the members.
- *A \$1,120 increase in planning due to a survey sent out to Lowell residents.
- *A \$20,010 increase in Fire/Rescue to repair the bay door and to compensate for increased salaries. In addition, supplies, communications, insurance and utilities have all exceeded the budgeted amounts to some degree.
- *City Hall adjustments include \$14,000 for the new heating/cooling unit, and \$2,600 for additional janitorial and maintenance work to the building.
- *Unallocated funds, which are usually used to cover insurance costs that are difficult to allocate to a specific department increased by \$2,500.
- *The local street fund needs an estimated \$6,700 to cover

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NOTICE
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SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES FROM REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 20, 1994

Called to order at 7:02 P.M.; 4 board members present. Minutes of May 16 approved.

Approved bills totaling:

General Fund.....	\$19,973.30
Sewer Fund.....	6,491.95
Trust & Agency.....	1,412.50
Twp./School Water Fund.....	297,720.35
Twp./School Sewer Fund.....	2,092.58

Business Conducted: Moved to transfer \$117,203.58 from surplus to the following: \$51,919.00 to the road fund account, \$300.00 to the cemetery fund, \$55,000.00 to Building/Sites Fund, \$9,984.05 to be used to offset the Pension Fund expense; moved to eliminate all lettering on the water tower and accept \$3,000.00 reduction in cost of painting the water tower; moved to request Community Development to amend the Master Plan Project to include the Zoning Ordinance update; moved to support the Pension Plan Ordinance; received the Building Department report for May and the Sheriff's reports for March and April; received citizens' comments.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Gladys Fletcher, Acting Secretary for Carol Wells, Clerk

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St. Pat's pictures, cont'd...



John Koewers, Lowell, is the proud owner of this 1954 Ford Skyliner.



GR's Myles wins Z-28 Camaro

Michael Myles, of Grand Rapids, won this 1994 Z-28 Camaro at St. Patrick's Parish Festival on Sunday.

Budget, continued...

additional unexpected winter maintenance and routine maintenance salaries.

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Showboat tickets available at Antique Mall

Tickets to the Lowell Showboat on August 12 and 13 are available at the Flat River Antique Mall office.

The hours are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.;

Bell, continued

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Recount, continued....

Lowell Superintendent, explained how the discrepancy occurred.

"The Kent County Election personnel programs the memory packs before sending them to the school. The packs are supposed to be programmed alphabetically. This time they were not," Jones said.

If programmed correctly,

memory pack one should have been Warren Jousma; memory pack two should have been Ann Mulder and memory pack three, Wendy Southwell. Instead memory pack one was programmed for Mulder and memory pack two was programmed for Jousma, thus creating the error in the vote tally.

"After the school receives

the memory packs, it puts them through a number of accuracy tests," Jones said. "We failed to look at the names that went with each pack. For the accuracy tests we labeled the packs candidate one...two... and three. We assumed they were programmed alphabetically. We were wrong."

There was also a petition for a recount for the two four-

year seats by candidate Tom Heintzleman. The manual recount showed there were no errors.

Jones said she was not sure if there was a process for an appeal by Jousma if he so desired. Nancy Giar of the Kent

County Elections Office could not be reached for comment prior to the Ledger going to press on Tuesday.

City manager's raise in line with high performance marks

Michael Lovell
Lowell Ledger Intern

After it was all over (the June 20 City Council meeting, that is), City Council adjourned to a closed session.

The subject of this session was a performance rating of the Lowell City Manager David Pasquale for the past year.

City Councilman James

Hodges said, "He has done a splendid job."

As a result of the review, Pasquale received an increase in salary, from \$48,500 to \$51,000 per year.

In addition, Pasquale will receive \$2,000 per year for car allowance, due to the fact that Pasquale uses his own car for his job, and his job sometimes carries him as far as Lansing or Detroit.

While city manager this year, Pasquale has accomplished many things including his work on the water system, the change in police chief and the addition of the Department of Public Works director, Art Gall.

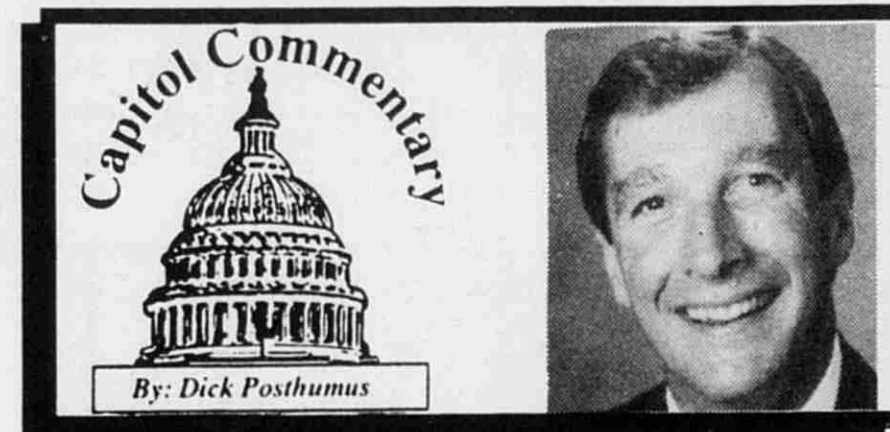
"The information that he provides for us is very good, and he has earned this raise," finished councilman Hodges.

Nothing changes more constantly than the past; for the past that influences our lives does not consist of what actually happened, but of what men believe happened.

—Gerald White Johnson

The basic test of freedom is perhaps less in what we are free to do than in what we are free not to do.

—Eric Hoffer



In 1990, this state faced a \$1.8-billion budget deficit. This was caused by state government spending too much on one hand and taxing too much (making job creation costly) on the other.

Eliminating that deficit called for tough decisions, but we made them. By reducing state spending and cutting many unnecessary government programs, we eliminated the deficit. And with the tax cuts enacted in the past three years, we spurred our state's economy. This has created a surplus of

more than \$300 million.

Some legislators favored using the surplus to increase state spending; others favored putting a majority, if not all, of that surplus in the state's rainy day fund; and most of us supported returning a portion of it to you, the taxpayers, because you are the ones who have continued to create Michigan's wealth. And thanks to legislation recently passed by the House and Senate, we are doing just that. Together, our proposals deliver a \$155-million tax cut to retirees and to our state's job providers.

The relief to retirees even out an unfair system that taxed private pensions but not public pensions. Under the legislation, pension income for retirees (both public and private) will be exempt from state income taxes up to \$30,000 on a single return and \$60,000 on a joint return. This measure will virtually eliminate taxes for 550,000 Michigan seniors with private pensions.

The legislation also allows senior citizens without pensions to deduct \$1,000 on a single return and \$2,000 on a joint return, for non-pension income.

The other part of our tax relief plan is aimed at creating

even more jobs. It reduces the Single Business Tax from 2.35 percent to 2.3 percent. For low income businesses, the Alternative Profits Tax is reduced from 3 percent to 2 percent. It also raises the gross receipts filing threshold from \$100,000 to \$250,000, which means 37,000 of the state's 180,000 small businesses will no longer have to pay the tax.

This is great news for Michigan. Since small businesses provide most of our state's jobs, lessening their tax burden encourages further job growth and expansion. That means more people will be able to find work.

I firmly believe a little bit of tax relief goes a long way. Just look at what our other tax cuts have done for Michigan's economy. Our unemployment rate has fallen to a 20-year low of 5.7 percent and we've created thousands of new jobs.

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