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Possible property assessment exemptions exist for low income households

By Marc Popielek
Contributing Writer

Low income families in Vergennes and Lowell Charter Townships can get a break on their property assessment this year if they fall within

certain federal guidelines. The two township boards approved a resolution granting poverty exemptions to qualified home owners in an effort to ease the assessment burden on low income families.

The resolution, which is being adopted across the state, allows for a portion or all of the assessment value of the land to be waived.

The township's board of review, which will meet in March, will determine who qualifies for the exemption.

To be considered for the exemption the total assets, other than a vehicle, personal property and the homestead being claimed should not exceed \$1,500 for the claimant and \$3,500 for the household. Also, the total annual in-

come shall not exceed the following amounts according to household size: Claimant, as sole householder-\$12,000; two persons-\$13,200; three persons-\$14,400; four persons-\$15,600; five persons-\$17,500; six persons-\$19,718; seven persons-\$22,383; eight persons-\$24,838; and nine persons or more-\$29,529.

The figures for determining those who qualify are from the federal government and are part of Act 390 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1994, which is effective for all 1995

assessments.

The resolution allows for medical and extraordinary hardship situations to be considered for applicants who do not meet the income and asset guidelines.

The board of review shall follow the guidelines when granting or denying an exemption, but may "deviate from the guidelines if there are substantial and compelling reasons given in writing by the claimant."

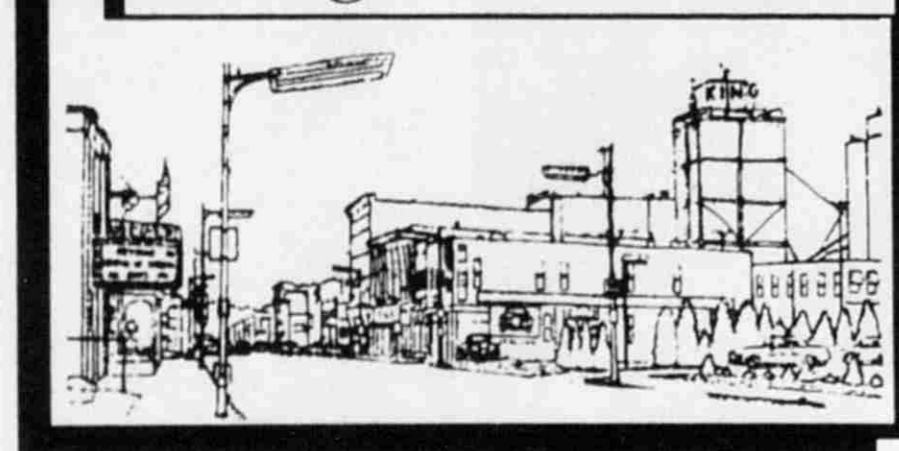
This will be the first time low income residents in Low-

ell Township will be able to use the exemption, but some Vergennes residents have benefited from a similar rule in the past.

"We had a written policy that wasn't dissimilar to this. But, the state wanted the exemptions to be more structured so we adopted the new policy," said Wise.

Home owners wishing to apply for the exemptions must present asset documentation and their income tax forms to the board of review.

Along Main Street



BLOOD DRIVE

The Grand Valley Blood Program will be holding a blood drive Wednesday, March 1 from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Look Memorial Fire Station, 319 S. Hudson.

Anyone who is 17-years-old and weighs at least 110 pounds may be eligible to donate blood every 56 days. Call Frank Leasure at 897-5667 to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins welcome. For more information, call Ginni Blanchard GVBP Mobile Consultant at 774-2300.

COMING SOON

Lowell's largest oceanarium will be coming soon. Walk through this 40-foot oceanarium and see wonderful examples of the world's oceans...tiger sharks, blue whales, schools of jellyfish and much, much more.

This is not to miss. Watch this space for further information.

YMCA KIDDY GYM PROGRAM

The Lowell YMCA is again offering its Kiddy Gym Program. This program is for boys and girls ages three to five years old. It is a gym class with emphasis on body and spatial awareness, locomotor skills, movement education and social skills. Class starts on February 28 and runs until April 18. (No class on April 4).

The class is held at Bushnell School on Tuesdays from 3:15 to 4:15. The cost is \$18 for YMCA members and \$28 for non-members. Since space is limited, be sure to sign up today.

ANNUAL LOWELL GET-TOGETHER

The annual Lowell Get-Together will be held March 5 in Lakeland, FL, at Stacy's Restaurant at noon. Everyone is welcome.

SIGN UP EARLY FOR ART WORKSHOPS

Sandy Bartlett returns to the Lowell Area Arts Center to present two children's after school workshops. The drawing workshops are geared for kids ages eight to 14. Beginners will meet at the Center on Wednesdays, 3:30 to 5 p.m. and advanced meet on Thursdays, 3:30 to 5 p.m.

This is a six-week workshop and classes will begin March 15 and 16. The fee is \$50 for LAAC members and \$60 for non-members. Size is limited, sign up early. Phone 897-8545 to register.

WEST MICHIGAN REGIONAL ART COMPETITION

Entry forms are available now for the Lowell Area Arts Council's 9th Annual West Michigan Regional Competition. More than \$1,000 in prize money will be awarded.

Entries are \$7.50 each and artists may enter up to three works. Deadline for entries is March 10. Write to Lowell Area Arts Council, 149 S. Hudson, P.O. Box 53, Lowell, MI 49331. For further information phone 897-8545.

WATERCOLOR EXHIBIT

The watercolors of artist Janice Easterday of Sturgis are on view in a Lowell Area Arts Council exhibit at the FMB State Savings Bank in Lowell.

This exhibit is on view through March 1. Hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to

Financial firm's investment into Lee's Landing could delay future plans

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

The future of the Lee's Landing building at 109 W. Main may now rest in the hands of an investing firm.

Equivest Financial purchased one of three years of delinquent taxes on the building at the Kent County Sheriff's Department tax sale.

The purchase forced the building's owner, Hugh Lilley, to either pay Equivest Financial the cost of the taxes plus any related fees within six months or lose the title. Lilley decided to turn over the title.

Equivest, one of six firms owned by the same investor, could pass the title onto one of the other firms if it decided not to pay the second year of delinquent taxes (due in May).

Terry Conley, mortgage loan manager at FMB State Savings Bank, said this type of maneuvering could tie up the Lee's Landing property for some time. "Equivest could just let it set out there and not do anything until condemnation proceedings are started and then transfer the title over to one of the other firms owned by its investor," he explained.

The Downtown Development Authority's offer of \$1 fell way short of the \$8,000's worth of interest the firm has into

the building.

"The problem with the building is that there is no parking and it is in need of significant work," Lowell City Manager Dave Pasquale said.

Another option being studied by the city is condemnation. This would force the title-holder to do something with the building. The city would pay for the condemnation process and the property owner would be billed for all of the condemnation costs.

Priscilla Lusmyer, Fallasburg Historical Society president, urged that the building be saved through public-private partnership by way of grants and tax credits. "This way the building could be brought to useful life," she said.

Pasquale said that would take a "whole bunch of investment, which to this point hasn't happened."

There has been discussion that once the DDA gains control of the building, it may be dismantled to its deck and used for an observation area.

With all the variables involved, plans for the building are complicated at best.

Pasquale said the DDA and the financial firm have had discussions in the past but nothing recent.

Developer eyes Lowell Township as home for proposed 18-hole golf course

18-hole, 80 acre course proposed for north of Cascade Road

By Marc Popielek
Contributing Writer

Lowell golfers may have a new course to play on if Woodruff Palmer proceeds with his proposed Beechtree Golf Course.

Recently Palmer made an informal presentation to the Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission about a proposed 18-hole 80-acre golf course north of Cascade Road near Hilton Avenue.

Before the planning commission can act on the proposed course, Palmer must provide them with a complete set of plans and a letter of approval from the Department of Natural Resources.

After accepting those

documents the commission would schedule a public hearing for the rezoning of approximately 100 acres of land.

Palmer informed the commission he had the option to purchase 180 acres in the area.

However, that 180 acres is broken down into two zoning classifications.

More than half of the land is zoned Agriculture II, which permits a golf course with a special use permit. The remainder of the land is zoned Agriculture I, which doesn't allow for a golf course at all.

To move forward with the project all the land must be zoned Ag. II, which will require a public hearing.

Palmer, who is an archi-

tect and landscape designer, informed the council that this would be his first venture into building a golf course.

Palmer stated that very little tree clearing would be done and that the course

would not have a restaurant or sell alcohol.

No time frame has been set for further discussions with the planning commission.

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CBI program finds success, pg. 24

Lowell spikes Park,
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OBITUARIES

BENSON - Mrs. Gertrude Laura Benson, aged 81, of the Clark Retirement Community, went home to be with her Lord Saturday, February 18, 1995. She was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Carlton A. Benson; and her grandson, Rick Zandstra. She is survived by her children, Beverly Zandstra of Lowell, Allen (Sevilla) Benson of Morristown, TN, Priscilla (Mike) Nearing of Lowell; her son-in-law, Lee Zandstra of Caledonia; her grandchildren, Craig and Rhonda Zandstra, Michael and Jason Nearing, and Tim Benson; two great-grandchildren; her sisters, Alchid Tallefson, and Edith Grant; her sister-in-law, Sylvia (William) Nickelson, and Mrs. Mary Benson; her brother-in-law, Bruce (June) Benson. Funeral Services were held Tuesday with Rev. Joseph Gerkin and Rev. Ethel Stears officiating. Interment Woodlawn Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Clark Retirement Community.

GASPER - Baby Brianna May Gasper (Stearns), aged 3

months, passed away Friday, February 17, 1995 in Ann Arbor. She is survived by her parents, James Gasper and Robin Stearns of Saranac; one brother, Jimmy Gasper; grandparents, Jim and Judy Whorley of Saranac, Jim and Kareen Gasper of Belding, Russell and Carol Stearns of Paris; great-grandparents, Beatrice Rathburn of Ionia, Lois Stearns of Dorr, Julia Whorley of Saranac and Virginia Molter of Grand Rapids. Funeral Mass was held Tuesday at St. Anthony's Church with Rev. George Darling celebrant. Interment Easton Cemetery. Contributions to Family Choice in memory of Brianna.

KAMPHUIS - Martin R. Kamphuis, aged 75, of Kentwood, went home to be with his Lord, Sunday, February 19, 1995. He is survived by his wife Pearl, his sons Martin A. (Karen), Calvin (Louise), and Roger (Joy); nine grandchildren, his sisters Roelvina (Lou) Zandstra, and Theresa Swears, his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law Marjorie and Marvin

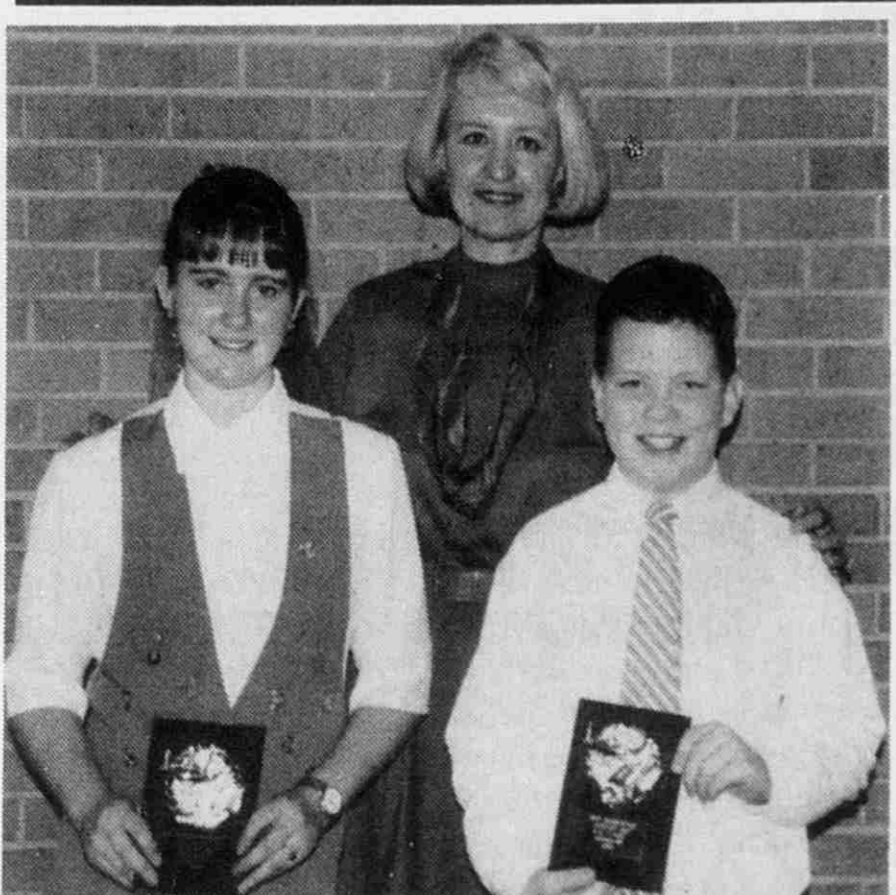
Besteman, Robert Kennedy, Esther and John Duimstra, Mildred Curths, and Ann Kornolje; several nieces and nephews. He was a member of the New Life Reformed Church, a veteran of World War II serving with the Army, and a retiree of Consumers Power Co. after 37 years of service. Funeral Services will be held Wednesday (today), 1 p.m. at the Zaagman Memorial Chapel, 1865 Eastern Ave SE, Grand Rapids, with Pastor Ed Vining officiating. Interment with Honor Guard services will follow at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.

LUM - Chew Shee "Mama Lum" of Lansing, born August 13, 1905 in Canton, China, died February 15, 1995 at the age of 89. Since arriving from China in 1946, she has raised 3 sons and was a part of the Foo Ying Restaurant until her death. She was preceded in death by her husband,

Walter Ling Lum (1959), she was the beloved mother of three sons, Wing Dot (Rebecca), Wing Foo (Kim) and Wing Wah (Mary Jo) all of Lansing, and 10 grandchildren. Funeral Services were held in Lansing on February 17.

PINCKNEY (Caledonia) - Mr. Fred Pinckney Jr., aged 73, formerly of Lowell, passed away Sunday, February 19, 1995 at Metropolitan Hospi-

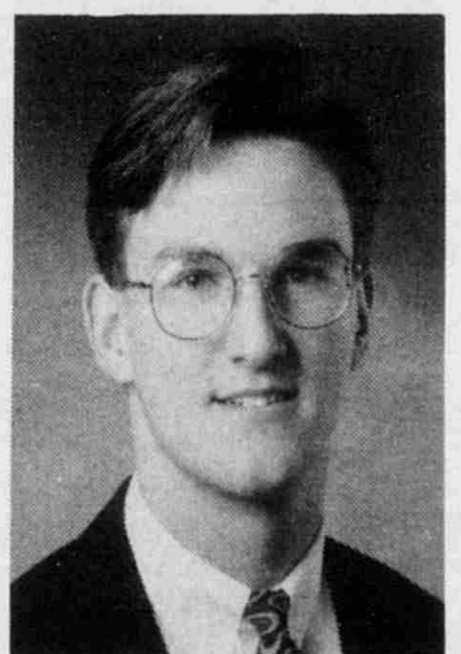
tal, Grand Rapids. Survived by one daughter, Janice (Larry) Hale of Shelbyville; one son, Gary (Pam) Pinckney of Grand Rapids; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; sister, Phoebe Baughman of Middleville; brother, Tildon Pinckney of Lowell; several nieces and nephews. Graveside Services will be held Wednesday (today) at 11 AM at Oakwood Cemetery, Lowell. Rev. Gordon Barry officiating.



Spelling Bee winners

Alto principal Mary Ann Schramm is pictured with Alto Spelling Bee winner Nicole Elliott, left, and runner-up Brad Eldridge, right.

Business Matters



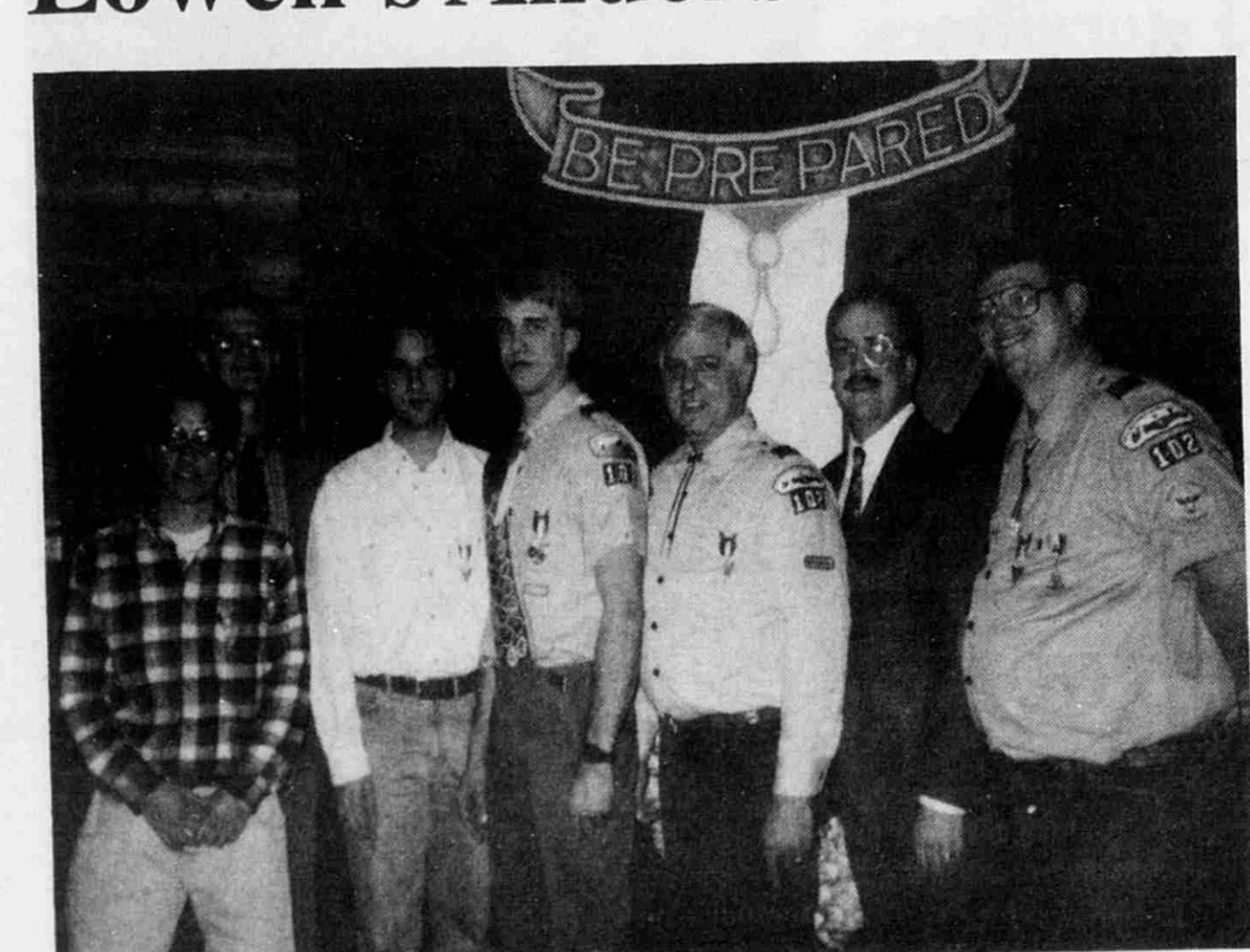
Matthew L. Vredenburg

Kellogg Company has promoted Matthew L. Vredenburg to project leader. Vredenburg joined the company in 1990 and was most recently senior analyst programmer.

He received a bachelor's degree in computer information systems from Ferris State University.

A man should live if only to satisfy his curiosity.
—Yiddish Proverb

Lowell's Anderson lauded in Eagle Scout ceremony



Welcoming Eric Anderson into the Eagle Brotherhood are past Eagle Scouts from Troop 102, from left to right: Pete Wills, Mark Ritzema, Marc Briggs, Eric Anderson, Kraig Haybarker, Mark Lessens and Dirk Ritzema.



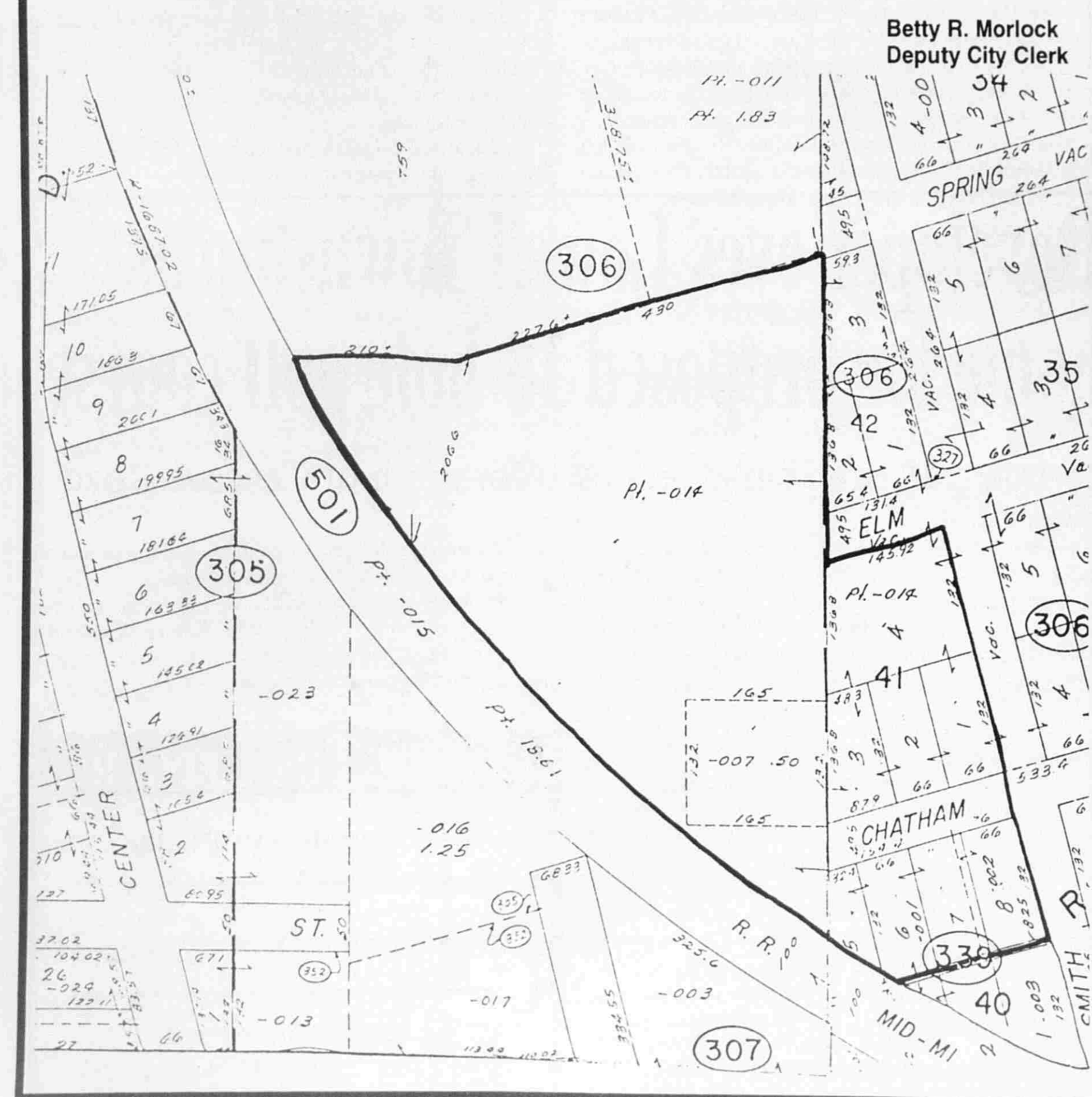
Boy Scout Troop 102 had a Court of Honor on Tuesday, Feb. 7. The troop gave out 25 awards to 10 scouts. They had the pleasure of welcoming their 28th Eagle Scout, the highest rank in scouting. Pictured above is Eric Anderson, receiving the Eagle Medal from his father, Jeff, while Eric's mom, Judy, and Scoutmaster, Jim Williams, look on. Eric has been in the troop for seven years, advancing throughout his career. Troop 102 has a great history in scouting having celebrated its 50-year anniversary in 1993 and having 28 Eagle Scouts. If any boy who is 11 years old or has completed the sixth-grade wants to join, the troop meets at the Scout cabin on Tuesday nights from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY 897-9261

CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Lowell Planning Commission-Citizen Advisory Committee will conduct a public hearing at their regularly scheduled meeting of Monday, February 27, 1995 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on a rezoning request from Bruce and Deborah Wilk, 727 Chatham St., to rezone parcels 41-20-02-306-007, 41-20-02-339-001, 41-20-02-339-002 and part of parcel 41-20-02-306-014 (see attached map) from Industrial (I) to Residential (R-3).

Interested persons may submit written comments or appear in person at City Hall, 301 E. Main, Lowell, MI 49331.



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Homespun Devotions

By Pauline Spray

As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you... (Isaiah 66:13)

Children are amusing. When they fall and bruise a knee or scratch an arm, how quickly they run to Mother! As soon as she has kissed the injured member, the pain vanishes and the tears stop falling. Then the child skips away to resume his play. What consolation, what medicinal value, what healing is found in a mother's kiss!

There are two kinds of Christians: There is the one who indulges in self-pity. He has more burdens to carry and greater afflictions to bear than anyone about him—or so he believes. His sorrows are more numerous and grievous. Everything is wrong and

everybody mistreats him. Life is difficult and dreary. His pain shows clearly on his face.

Then, there is the other kind of Christian—the one who finds solace in prayer. In his secret closet he seeks and finds comfort, strength, courage, and sustaining grace. He takes his burdens to the Lord and leaves them there and comes away as happy as a child whose bruise has been healed by "Mother's kiss."

Prayer: Dear God, to Thee I come with my burdens and bruises, for I know I can find healing in Thee. Sustain. Strengthen. Comfort me with Thy touch. I leave my hurt with Thee. Amen.

O, what peace we often forfeit,
O, what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer".

JOSEPH SCRIVEN

Experience has shown, and a true philosophy will always show, that a vast, perhaps the larger, portion of the truth arises from the seemingly irrelevant.

—Edgar Allan Poe

Kent District library announces PJ storytimes

Pleasant dreams begin with special bedtime stories at the library. That's why Kent District Library branches are offering PJ Storytimes to help tuck your child in for a good night's sleep.

For ages 3-6, PJ storytimes are 30-minute evening story programs that invite your child to wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to the library.

The storytime is scheduled for the Lowell branch on Monday, May 22 at 7 p.m. and the Alto branch on Thursday, May 25 at 7 p.m.

Some branches may require registration. For more information, contact the Lowell Library at 897-9596, or the Youth Services Department at 336-3253.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Feb. 23: Dwight G. Frey, Sharon Leverage, Joe Ellis, Heather Essich, Leannah Seese, Sharon VandenHout, Brenda Walters.

Feb. 24: Toni Miller, Robert Curtis, Cliff Mulder, Tarah Essich, Nathan Kalkman, Michael Arehart, Amy Aksamitowski.

Feb. 25: Lorna Franks, Jill Reinke, Staffan Magnusson,

Martha Froese, Connie Roth, **Feb. 26:** Tracy DeWitt, Barry Vezino, Jeremy Goff, Robert Ford, Patricia Loew.

Feb. 27: None

Feb. 28: Brian Zigmont, Carol Wolfe, Mark V. Ritzema, Rhonda Dickerson, Scott Denton, Eddie Nausieda.

March 1: Helen Mahynski, Richard Haines, Angela Ritzema, Donald L. Brower, Barak Brown.



John Richard Van'tHof and Stephanie Ann Patow

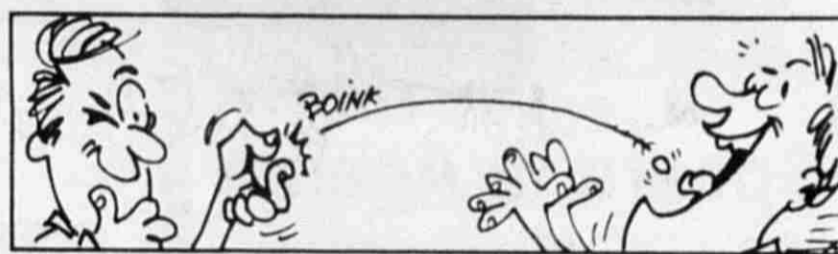
Patow and Van'tHof plan May wedding

Larry and Marcia Patow of Lowell are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Stephanie Ann to John Richard Van'tHof, son of Ernie and Gayle Chernoby of Ada and John and Nancy Van'tHof of Grand Rapids.

The future-bride is a 1990 graduate of Lowell High School and is currently attending Grand Rapids Community College.

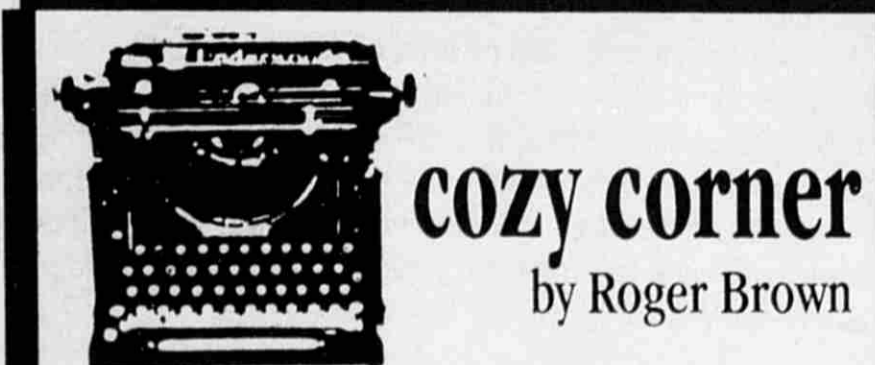
The groom-to-be is a 1989 graduate of Forest Hills Northern High School and Ferris State University.

The couple is planning a May 13, 1995 wedding.



Sunflower seed fans should thank North Dakota, our nation's top producer of the tasty seed snack.

Viewpoint . . .



Fifty degrees in the middle of February! In Michigan! What a treat! I couldn't resist the temptation. I had to roll out my airplane on Sunday, proving yet again that I must be nuts.

My airplane is a Stearman. It is a World War II primary trainer. It is a biplane, has open cockpits, an air cooled radial engine and no heater. They were flown by army and navy cadets and their instructors from bases located in the deep south. Stearmans simply weren't designed for winter flying. But, I hadn't flown in over three months, and I was ready to take what I could get. There's something about being upside down in a loop or a roll at three thousand feet with the wind in your face that tends to clean the cobwebs out of the old noggin.

Rolling out the Stearman was no easy task. It was parked behind another airplane and sandwiched in between an old MG, and my dad's boat. Plus, it was surrounded by summertime junk like picnic tables, lawnmowers and bicycles. Fortunately I had help. A young college student friend of the family wanted a ride. After considerable effort we had things pushed, towed, tugged, carried and carted out of the way of the

Stearman. I told you I was nuts.

Starting the old bird after three months was no easy task in itself. I pulled the propeller through dozens of times to lubricate the cylinders and whatever stuff is inside that cold-blooded monster. They put the same engine in some tanks during WWII, so that might give you some idea of how much fun it is to pull the prop through by hand.

Of course I had parked the thing last fall with almost no gas in the tank. That meant a trip across the field to fill some five gallon cans with Avgas. The fuel tank is located in the top wing, which is just shy of ten feet off the ground. The easiest route to the fuel fill is to scale a short ladder to the lower wing root, climb into the front cockpit and stand on the back of the seat. That puts me just above eye level with the fuel fill. If that sounds difficult in itself, try it with thirty-some pounds of gasoline on your shoulder. I accomplished this feat four times, to give us a half tank of fuel. If I'm ever accused of a crime, I know I can get off on an insanity plea. All I have to do is give the judge copies of these columns I've written for nearly twenty years.

I had the foresight to begin charging the battery a couple of hours before, but it was still not up to the task of rolling over that cold engine more than a few slow turns. We jump started it with the MG. The battery in an MG is conveniently hidden in a small compartment behind the seats. You have to be a contortionist to access it with jumper cables. With my passenger revving up the MG and me in the Stearman priming, pumping and crossing my fingers, the old girl finally coughed, spit, sputtered and came to life. We had close to two hours

invested in our flight by this time.

Up until the engine started, I had a mental image of Jack Nicholson in "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" trying to lift that big porcelain sink. Flying the Stearman in February seemed nearly as futile. Not to mention the fact the movie was set in a mental asylum.

Now all we had to do was bundle up, strap in and take off. I left the engine running while I put on my coveralls, a towel for a scarf, heavy gloves, etc. My passenger dressed similarly, and away we went. The moment the wheels left the runway, all my efforts seemed worthwhile. Kinda like a little kid going through the ordeal of his mother dressing him in layers and layers of warm clothes to play outdoors in winter. I always thought it was worth the effort as soon as I clobbered a neighbor kid with a snowball.

We climbed to three thousand feet, did a slow roll and a few loops. We toured around the area, climbed back up for some more loops, toured some more, shot a couple of landings and put it away. I was so cold I had a headache like you get from eating ice cream too fast. The wind had been working on the exposed part of my forehead between my goggles and flying helmet. I'll have to remember to duct tape that spot next time. The whole flight lasted less than an hour. Another hour later we had everything tucked back in the hangar. The headache went away quickly and I noticed the winter cobwebs were gone as well.

Was it all worth it? Well, I'll put it this way. It sure beat being cooped up indoors, parked on a couch, watching the Daytona 500 on TV.

LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS LUNCH MENU

Week of Feb. 27, 1995

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MONDAY: Italian spaghetti, California blend vegetables, French bread with peanut butter, assorted fruit, milk.

TUESDAY: Cheeseburger in a bun, buttered corn, fruit selection, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Chicken nuggets or chef salad, mashed potatoes with gravy, dinner roll with peanut butter, gelatin or canned fruit, milk.

THURSDAY: Taco with meat, cheese & lettuce or cheeseburger in a bun or chef salad, green beans, cornbread with syrup, choice of fresh or canned fruit, milk.

FRIDAY: Grilled cheese sandwich, tuna salad in a pita pocket, chef salad with bread, baked beans or vegetable soup, assorted fruit, milk.

HIGH SCHOOL & MIDDLE SCHOOL

MONDAY: Italian spaghetti or turkey str fry with rice or chef salad, choice two: California blend vegetables, side salad, cole slaw, French bread with peanut butter, assorted fruit, milk.

TUESDAY: Double meat cheeseburger in a bun or hot dog in a bun or chef salad with bread, choice two: corn, side salad, homemade vegetable soup with crackers, fruit selection, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Chicken nuggets or baked ham or chef salad, choice 2, mashed potatoes with gravy, steamed peas or side salad, dinner roll with peanut butter, gelatin or canned fruit, milk.

THURSDAY: Taco with meat, cheese and lettuce or cook's choice or chef salad, choice 2, green beans, side salad or Spanish rice, cornbread with syrup, choice of fresh or canned fruit, milk.

FRIDAY: Grilled cheese sandwich or tuna salad in a pita pocket or chef salad with bread, choice 2, baked beans, side salad or vegetable soup, assorted fruit, milk.

AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

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100 YEARS AGO IN THE JOURNAL - FEB. 19, 1895
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Ledger Entries
of 100, 75, 50 and 25 Years Ago

50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - FEB. 22, 1945
The annual village caucus brings out 371 voters, the most in years. The president (John Arehart) and three trustees (Jay

Capitol Commentary
By: Dick Posthumus

As welfare reform occupies the minds of legislators both in Washington and Lansing, debates rage over how to best replace this costly social program. In discussions that tend to fall along partisan lines, we repeatedly hear the pros and cons of different solutions, from block grants to individual entitlements.

Yet, despite the numerous questions and disagreements, people across the nation seem to agree on one thing—welfare reform is an absolute necessity if we are to end America's cycle of poverty. In a recent ABC/Washington Post survey, 72 percent of Americans said the nation's public assistance system does not work well enough.

Although his intentions were good, President Lyndon Johnson failed to exercise foresight when he introduced the Great Society three decades ago. What started as a program to help people get back on their feet has become a way of life for generations of Americans—not to mention a tangled web of bureaucracy with costs that are spinning out of control.

With the federal government in control of each state's social programs, we have found ourselves in the midst of unnecessary disorder and expense—results of the wrong decisions being made by the wrong people. This control belongs in the hands of each state, with the governors, state lawmakers and local decision-makers; with those who are directly in touch with the needs of their individual state.

will play at Clarksville next. Alto local talent is presenting "From Sumter to Appomattox" in Alto, Freeport and Clarksville.

"Taylor's Cough Drops contain no lamp black or opiates. Try them once."

The bids for the electric light plant were opened last night at 8 o'clock and the Council is still in session.

Lena Barry did not miss a word of the 800 pronounced in the spelling match at Grattan Saturday night.

75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - FEB. 19, 1920
The annual village caucus draws an attendance of 25, of whom 17 are recorded as voting on the nominations. One informal ballot is taken for president, and all officers succeed themselves without opposition.

The flu is going around again, but not as badly as in 1918. An English physician asserts that flu runs in cycles 33 or 66 weeks apart.

Britons are asked by the London Daily Express to turn in their gold and jewelry to pay off the British war debt to the U.S. Operation of railroads by the government during World War I has run up to a \$700 million deficit, says the railroad administration.

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At the annual meeting of the National Governors Association last month, Governor Engler led the fight for a national block grant program. Under this initiative, control over welfare programs would be shifted from federal to state governments. Every state would be given a lump sum of money to be used for developing programs individualized to each state's needs.

While the states would be responsible for reporting their plans to the federal government, those plans would not be subject to federal approval. According to preliminary estimates, this unprecedented step could save America approximately \$40 billion over the next five years.

A block grant program is undoubtedly a step in the right direction. If we provide states with control of the more than 100 federally funded social programs, we will not only open the door for more effective programs, but we will also cut the federal budget by as much as 20 percent in each entitlement program.

Across America, we can find examples of successful and innovative welfare reform programs. Here in Michigan, Engler's "social contract" theory has been touted as a "pioneering state effort." By requiring welfare recipients to work, study or volunteer 20 hours a week to receive full benefits, we are encouraging self-sufficiency and responsibility, instead of reinforcing dependency.

In fact, Michigan's Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) caseload is at its lowest level since 1988. In the past year alone, more than 25,000 AFDC recipients have stopped taking welfare checks because they've entered the workforce.

Looking at Michigan's success, we can only predict what other states can accomplish given the opportunity. By transferring control of the welfare program from the federal government to the states, we all will have that opportunity—including those now prisoners of this poorly planned social program.

Bolens, Henry Weaver, Robert Hahn) are new.

Steel tie rods and plates, new creosote-treated timbers and a new floor will keep the Fallsburg Covered Bridge going at least another 25-30 years, says bridge engineer L.W. Brunson.

Fallsburg's David Krider brings in a Foreman Strain White Leghorn hen egg measuring 6 3/4 x 8 1/4 inches in circumferences and weighing 4 1/8 ounces.

All but two of the bean-sorting machines at Runicman's are in operation again and a new lighting system is installed. Quick work after the fire.

High school musicians will present solo and ensemble numbers in a free concert next week to prepare for the district competition in Muskegon in March.

25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - FEB. 19, 1970
Young Bill Onan rescues friend Bill Brenk and dachshund Schatzie after the dog runs out on the ice, is followed by Brenk trying to catch her and both fall in the river.

A wild-and-woolly weekend of several drunk-driving and lesser violations results in overloaded police and court clerks. The contracts are signed and footings being poured for six 4-apartment units of the new Schneider Village.

Postal and bank employees will celebrate Washington's Birthday holiday on Monday, February 23. City Hall will be open as usual.

Book Review by:
Joan Wittenbach

BOOK REVIEW

Take the classic tale of a mouse from the country and a mouse from the city and put two charming mice couples in their place, add the imagination and artistic beauty of author/writer Jan Brett and you have an awesome tale. Hence, the book is called "Town Mouse/Country Mouse."

Brett's flight of fancy added an owl and a cat to the adventures of the mice couples. At times those adventures left a breathlessness and almost a weariness to the reader. "Just Go Back Home." I heard myself say out loud at one point of the story. Brett's skill in drawing mice is amazing. I hate mice, it is a known fact, but somehow when I see sketches of her mice, I soften. The amazing beauty that comes from her touch of drawing forest and animals is a wonder in itself.

The old saying, "The grass is always greener on the other side of the fence" is the theme of this mouse classic. It is a reminder of the restlessness of us all at certain times in our lives. I chuckled at the last page of the book and cried out, "Oh no, not again." You'll just have to read it to find the reason for the chuckle.

Two other favorite books by Jan Brett are "The Mitten" and "The Three Bears" which are available at local bookstores and libraries.

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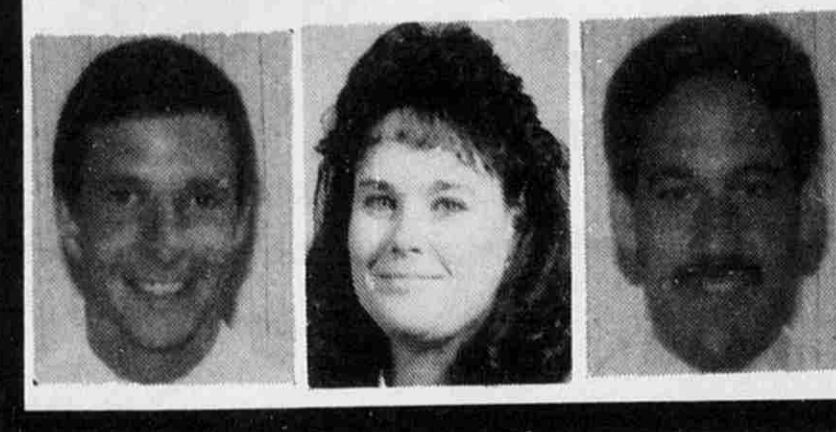
Wed., Feb. 22 **6:30 pm.** Taco Bar potluck and presentation by Betty Roldan, missionary to Ecuador.

Sat., Feb. 25 **10:00 am.** Ladies' continental breakfast with Teresa Renkema, former missionary to Argentina, Honduras, and Puerto Rico.

Sun., Feb. 26 **10:00 am.** Worship led by Rev. Tom Soerens, missionary to Honduras.
11:20 am. For children—Fran Karmemaat, former missionary to Africa.
6:00 pm. Worship led by Rev. Eugene DeJong, missionary in the Forest Hills area.

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AMENORRHEA

Amenorrhea is the medical term used to denote an absence of menstrual cycles and periods. Today, we'll discuss this disorder and review some of the likely causes.

Most women begin to menstruate between the ages of 10 and 16. Primary amenorrhea means never having had a period while secondary amenorrhea occurs in women who have stopped having periods after experiencing normal cycles previously. Today we are going to focus on secondary amenorrhea, the most common type.

Probably the most frequent cause of secondary amenorrhea is pregnancy. This is always one of the first things your doctor will suspect if you stop having periods. Another possible cause is an imbalance in the hormones regulating ovulation.

Amenorrhea has been associated with depression and other psychiatric illnesses. Frequently there is no clear single cause of amenorrhea but rather several factors that may play a role. Inadequate nutrition can lead to irregular periods. Eating disorders such as anorexia or bulimia can interrupt normal menstrual cycles. Excessive thinness and weight loss have long been known to cause amenorrhea. Athletes involved in running, or other strenuous activities are likely to experience amenorrhea. Stress may also play a role in inducing amenorrhea.

If you have been experiencing amenorrhea you should probably see your physician to determine the cause. If you are an athlete, you should not assume this as a simple by-product of physical training.

Usually amenorrhea can be effectively treated after determining the likely cause. Frequently, athletes will have a return of normal menstrual function after several months of simply relaxing their training schedule. Occasionally your doctor may prescribe hormones to restore the normal hormonal balance. Treatment of related medical problems causing secondary amenorrhea may be necessary in selected cases.

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**Lowell Performing Arts Center's
high hopes met with large numbers**

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

The role of the new performing arts center at the new high school is spreading about as fast as a fire stoked by the Santa Anna winds.

A smile of pride lit up the face of Dick Graham, performing arts center coordinator, as he told the Lowell Board of Education that attendance at the center through January was 12,940.

The figure is broken down into three areas. Outside activities have drawn 1,445; district activities have drawn 2,270; and high school activities have seated 9,225.

There have been 113 activities scheduled over 182 hours. The average attendance

has been 115 people.

District-wide use has included events from Cherry Creek and Alto elementaries as well as the school's grand opening ceremony and the Lowell Education Association.

Outside use of the performing arts center has come from Cheer Michigan, IBA Sales Seminar and Lowell Showboat.

There are currently 16 activities scheduled for the performing arts center between now and the end of August. "Eight of those paying," Graham said. "I'd like to see that ratio continue."

The center's scheduling of events is not the only thing that has gotten off to a promising start - so too has the

student/crew training program.

Graham has offered student volunteers a great opportunity with hands-on experience. Training has come in the areas of lights, rigging, set building, layout, building flats, paint surface and the running of audio and video

boards.

The performing arts coordinator also has a list of prioritized responsibilities which are strictly followed.

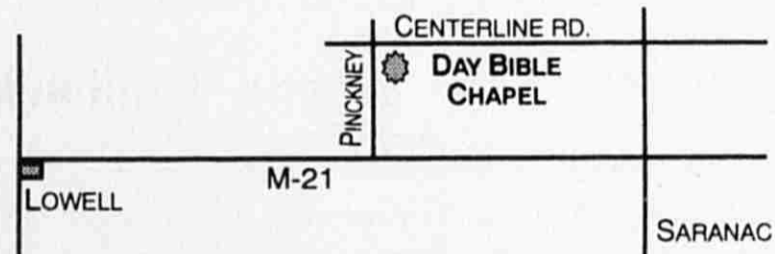
The list includes school work, safety, on stage, light catwalks, scene shop and working with tools.



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CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
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CITY OF LOWELL**

For the Regular Meeting of MONDAY, February 6, 1995. The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Maatman and the Clerk called the Roll. Present: Councilmembers Shores, Green, Hodges, Thompson and Mayor Maatman. Absent: None.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES that the minutes of the January 16, 1995 meeting be approved as written.
YEA: 5
NAY: 0
ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY THOMPSON and seconded by HODGES that the bills and accounts payable be allowed and the warrants issued.
YEA: Councilmembers Shores, Green, Hodges, Thompson and Mayor Maatman.
NAY: 0
ABSENT: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (2/6/95)

GENERAL FUND	\$117,094.75
MAJOR STREET FUND	263.87
LOCAL STREET	133.23
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	2,249.01
AIRPORT FUND	1,031.49
WATER FUND	85,669.85
SEWER FUND	160,891.03
DATA PROCESSING FUND	2,353.18
EQUIPMENT FUND	1,355.20
LOOK MEMORIAL FUND	784.00
CURRENT TAX FUND	95,343.60

Item #1. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
A. 229 JAMES - GAIL KLOOSTERMAN - VARIANCE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN 864 SQUARE FOOT SINGLE HOME IN AN R RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (MINIMUM 1600 SQUARE FEET) - PUBLIC HEARING. Councilmember Thompson, as Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals, stated that Gail Kloosterman is requesting a variance for an 864 square foot home on James Street where 1600 square feet of floor area is required. Ms. Kloosterman explained that this hearing is her last opportunity because of the constraints placed by her financial institution, the Farmers Home Administration. She had stated that she has been working on the application at length indicating in a letter the reasons why her variance should be granted.

City Manager Pasquale said that the Zoning Board had received the following as prepared by Ms. Kloosterman: an introduction letter, variance application, assessed valuations of the properties, history of attempting a home purchase and expenses incurred. Also, a letter was provided from Pam Runciman of Schmidt Realtors,

Coldwell Banker in support of Kloosterman and her efforts. Pasquale read aloud letters received from Don Shepard, owner of a home located at 805 High and Ruth Patton of Greenridge Realty, supporting the new housing. Pasquale stated that the Planning Commission had reviewed the variance and did not recommend the variance by a vote of 4 to 2. A reason for the denial included that none of the residential districts have a minimum area of 1000 square feet. Also, the variance did not meet the criteria established in Sections 18.06 and 18.07 of the Zoning Ordinance.

Ms. Kloosterman mentioned that the Planning Commission is considering to rezone this neighborhood for a residential living area down to 1000 square feet. She stated her desire to finish off a sun porch in order to bring it within the 1000 square foot requirement. Austin Wallard, an uncle to Ms. Kloosterman, stated that in discussions with the building inspector, he would be willing to pay the cost to install an emergency window in the basement to provide added living area to the dwelling.

City Manager Pasquale mentioned that a fire wall is also required for the furnace area in order to qualify the basement as a living area.

Marilyn Bovee, 114 James, felt that a house would be an asset to the area and the City as Ms. Kloosterman would pay taxes and utility bills.

Michael Blough, Planning Commission Chairman, stated that Ms. Kloosterman prepared her presentation extremely well. He added that there was no question that the home would be an accepted use for the lot. More particularly though, the square footage requested was lower than any of the residential districts in the City. Blough added that when the most comprehensive plan was adopted, the idea was to zone the area R-1. The Commission is at the point where the characteristics of neighborhoods across the city are being reviewed as part of the new master plan. Blough stated that relative to all the criteria set forth, this proposed home was not close to the requirements for R-1 which is why the majority of the members voted against this petition. He mentioned that with this many neighbors in support of an 850 square foot house, perhaps the whole area in question should be zoned a proposed R-4. The Planning Commission cannot compensate for the investment that this petitioner has put forth. However, the Commission can only rule and give recommendation relative to the master plan as applied through the zoning ordinance currently in force. Mark Baughman (410 James), Beverly Holst (411 James), George Blocher (215 James), and Ross Griffith (430 James), neighbors of the proposed single home, expressed their support for the variance.

Councilmember Hodges stated that the Planning Commission does an outstanding job and the process has worked well. His understanding of this home with a finished basement would nearly double the square footage providing the 1600 square feet. Hodges noted that the intent and direction of this particular home would be conducive to the neighborhood.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by GREEN to approve the variance for Gail Kloosterman (229 James) to construct an 864 square foot single home in an R Residential District where 1600 square feet of floor area

is required.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.
Mayor Maatman stated that Ms. Kloosterman's documentation was one of the best ever presented to the Council.

B. LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS - 300 HIGH - SETBACK VARIANCE FOR SIGN IDENTIFYING ADMINISTRATION BUILDING - PUBLIC HEARING. The Lowell Area Schools have proposed a sign identifying the administration building near the main entrance on High Street. The 32 square foot sign is below the maximum allowed area of 50 square feet. The sign has been proposed to be within 4 feet of the lot line where 25 feet is required and 28.7 feet from the zoning boundary line where 50 feet is necessary. City Manager Pasquale explained that the Planning Commission reviewed this petition at their January 23 meeting and recommended that the variance be approved. The Commission placed the following conditions: lighting for the sign be off by 10:30 p.m. each night and appropriate landscaping be installed by the sign. Jim Ferro, from Beta Design Group, Inc., prepared a plan of landscaping that the district would provide around the base of the sign. Planning Commission Chairman Blough stated that Lowell Public Schools have indicated that this logo be perpetuated in a number of different locations in the district. The Planning Commission concurred that this was a substantiated variance because the sign could not be set back as far as is required.

Ferro explained that due to the current building setback of 19.9 feet a free standing sign is impossible to use and comply with the minimum setback requirement. Also, most of the school building frontage along High Street is ground to ceiling windows, so that a wall sign is impractical. A free-standing sign would be more effective and less likely to be objectionable to the neighbors residing across the street.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAATMAN and seconded by GREEN to approve the setback variance for a 32 square foot ground sign (Lowell Area Schools - 300 High) allowing 4 feet from the lot line where 25 feet is required and 28.7 feet from the zoning boundary line where 50 feet is needed subject to the following conditions: the sign be off by 10:30 p.m. and appropriate landscaping be planted around the sign.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #2. FINAL CONSIDERATION OF LOWELL TOWNSHIP OFFER REGARDING SHARE OF ENGINEERING COSTS FOR THE BOWES ROAD REALIGNMENT PROJECT. City Manager Pasquale stated that through meetings with Lowell Township Supervisor John Timpson and Jon Rice of the Kent County Road Commission, a proposal from the Road Commission to undertake engineering services for the Bowes Road realignment project would cost \$9,500. Lowell Township had offered 25% of \$2375 toward the project. The City would then be respon-

sible for the remainder of \$7125. At the January 16 meeting, the City counter offered with a 50-50 split with the township. In response, Timpson said that the possibility of State or County monies were not forthcoming. Also, the township did not have any additional funds for the engineering. Thus, the 25% contribution was the maximum.

Mayor Maatman stated that the proposal should provide projected costs for right of way acquisition. Currently, there are only assumptions and the study should provide more precise information. Councilmember Shores felt the City should proceed with the study so that a more informed opinion can be determined.

Councilmember Green stated that when the City counter-offered and it was not accepted, the original offer must be considered.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by HODGES to proceed with the engineering services from the Kent County Road Commission for the Bowes Road realignment project at a cost of \$9,500 with Lowell Township contributing 25% or \$2,375 and the City responsible for 75% or \$7,125.
YEA: 4. (Green, Hodges, Shores and Mayor Maatman).
NAY: 1. (Thompson)
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #3. ORDINANCE TO ALTER THE PRETREATMENT STANDARDS FOR WASTEWATER ENTERING THE WWTP. WasteWater Treatment Plant Superintendent Mark Mundt stated that the pretreatment standards of specific pollutants entering the plant for industrial users has not been changed since the new facility was built. He explained the local limits (levels the industrial users are allowed to discharge) are derived by using data at the wastewater plant. The limits have been set at a point where the biological process of the plant will not be disturbed. Also, the pollutants will not be accumulated in the sludge to a level where land application is prohibited. As a result, nothing will pass through the plant polluting the receiving stream. As part of the industrial pretreatment program, these limits are supposed to be addressed every five years. Mundt explained that the old limits were based on the previous plant. Further, the proposed limits will not interfere with any of the industries which are currently discharging.

City Manager Pasquale stated that the DNR concurs with these pretreatment standards which were presented to the Council as part of the ordinance.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY THOMPSON and seconded by SHORES to adopt the ordinance to alter the pretreatment standards of specific pollutants entering the wastewater treatment plant.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #4. POLICE DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION ON A PARKING COMPLAINT REGARDING THE 600 BLOCK OF CHATHAM STREET. As a result of a concern expressed by Councilmember Shores regard the

congested parking in front of Newell Manufacturing, Chief Valentine had reviewed the situation. Valentine proposed that the City now allow parking on the south side of Chatham St., from the east side of the first driveway to Amity Street. Also, no parking will be allowed on the north side of Chatham St. from Amity west approximately sixty feet.

Valentine noted that a resident in this location currently had difficulty pulling his vehicle out. With the proposed solution, the resident would be allowed to move his vehicle onto Chatham heading east. In discussions with Newell Manufacturing, the firm has already begun to voluntarily comply with this remedy. He added that Newell plans to pave the old Keiser's lot for additional parking and will gain an additional ten parking spaces. Valentine said that currently the majority of problems occur during Newell's shift change in the afternoon. Streets and Parks Supervisor Dan DesJarden noted that the parking change would consist of signage and painting the curb lines. Councilmember Shores thanked Chief Valentine for his prompt attention to this situation.

The Council concurred to not allow parking on the south side of Chatham Street from the east side of the first driveway to Amity Street and no parking allowed on the north side of Chatham St. from Amity west approximately sixty feet.

Item #5. CITIZEN COMMENTS. No comments were received.

Item #6. COUNCIL COMMENTS. Councilmember Hodges suggested that City Manager Pasquale and Lowell Township Supervisor John Timpson discuss matters before the press is informed.

Item #7. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT. City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:

A. Regarding the Road Commission project, the engineering would provide the City and Township with complete information to contract bidding. A construction document as well as complete specs will also be provided.
B. The Airport Board is having difficulty providing recommendations for membership. The Board has recommended that a seven member board be organized with four who must be city residents. Pasquale noted that the Board is strictly advisory to the Council. It was felt that this would be helpful in attracting those interested in serving on the board. He added that this proposal would require an ordinance amendment. Councilmember Hodges questioned if the three non-city residents would be voting members of the board. He had a problem with it since the non-residents would be voting on how city tax dollars are spent. Hodges suggested reducing the number of regular, City boardmembers to three instead of five.

City Manager Pasquale responded that reducing the board to three creates a problem if one person is absent. Councilmember Hodges questioned how the non-city members would be chosen. City Manager Pasquale stated they are appointed by the City Council. As an alternative, the Council proposed a four-person Board with three ex-official members who may not be city residents. Pasquale said that he would mention this

proposal to the Airport Board. If not agreeable, the Board would discuss this matter with the Council directly.
C. City Sexton/Maintenance Worker DeWayne Watson has decided to retire early. He has worked for the city for seventeen years and will be missed. Pasquale said that he and DPW Director Art Gall are reviewing options to fulfill sexton responsibilities. Pasquale stressed that the cemetery will continue to be maintained well.
D. A tree planting grant is available through the Department of Natural Resources. An application has been proposed for street trees as part of the DDA project. The City will be requesting \$15,000 in federal funds through the Small Business Administration (SBA) for the \$30,000 project involving 75 trees in the downtown administered through the DNR.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by GREEN to pursue a federal SBA tree planting grant through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources requesting \$15,000 for the \$30,000 project involving 75 trees in the downtown.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Pasquale noted that the idea is to stretch the DDA dollars as much as possible. There are a number of proposed projects in the downtown area and the goal is to complete as many as possible.

E. The December minutes and the January agendas of the Light and Power and Cable TV Boards were presented.
F. The minutes of the November 28, 1994 Planning Commission meeting were presented. At its January 23 session, the Commission approved a site plan for the construction of a 17,084 square foot addition to Chadalee Farms.

Also, review of McDonald's Restaurant addition to accommodate a playland and service windows was considered. This was tabled until MDOT could review the proposed relocation of the west drive.
G. The minutes of the December 8, 1994 Downtown Development Authority meeting were presented. At its February 2 meeting, the DDA approved the purchase of lighting fixtures as recommended by Light and Power. Also, the Board has told Fishbeck to proceed with the construction documents concerning the Broadway-Riverside parking lot.

H. The next Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 21 in observance of President's Day on Monday, February 20.

Item #8. APPOINTMENTS. Mayor Maatman reappointed Karen Hale to the Downtown Development Authority to a four-year term expiring January 1, 1999.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 8:16 p.m.
DATE APPROVED: February 20, 1995

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

Lowell High School February students-of-the-month

Each month four Lowell High School departments choose an exemplary student to represent their content area. Each of these students represents an outstanding individual with high standards and achievements. February students of the month are as follows:

Matt Langridge, a junior at LHS, was selected to represent the math department. Langridge is the son of Rich and Bette Langridge of Lowell. He is active in tennis, Model U.N. (where he placed 1st in the simulation of Korean Unification at the 1994 Hope College Model U.N. program), and Science Olympiad. He also is a member of the National Honor Society. Langridge enjoys sports and outdoor activities, and his favorite classes include chemistry and F.S.T. (functions, statistics and trigonometry.) He was selected by the math department because of his advanced knowledge and enthusiasm for mathematics. He is in the top one percent of his class and a member of the math league.

Brent McCormick, a senior at LHS, was selected as the February physical education student-of-the-month. He is the son of Daniel and Glenda McCormick, both of Lowell. McCormick has consecutively been on the honor roll first and second marking periods his senior year. He plans on attending Grand Rapids Community College in the fall and has goals of a successful career. He currently works at Family Fare in Lowell and enjoys spending free time working on cars, electronics or with friends. McCormick enjoys all of his classes at LHS and is anxiously anticipating graduation in the spring.

Ann Merigian, a freshman at LHS was selected to represent the life management department as outstanding student achiever for the month of February. She is the daughter of Shelly Merigian of Lowell and Mike Merigian of Grand Rapids. Merigian has proven her outstanding capabilities to work on projects with many hours of hard work. She is a courteous and dedicated student and is very deserving of student-of-the-month.

Dianna Rice, a junior at LHS, has been chosen to represent the music department. She is the daughter of Lanie and Bob

Rice of Lowell and is a member of both the band and choir. She is also a member of the Art Club, Drama Club, and the International Club as well as the Varsity Girls Golf team.

She is very active in the music program. Rice has been a member of the Michigan State University honors band and is first chair in the Grand Valley State University honors band. She is the first student at Lowell High School to ever receive a first-division rating at both instrumental and vocal solo and ensemble festivals. She is presently working at the Helping Hands Day Care Center.

The Outstanding Student Citizenship Award for the month of February goes to Melissa Peterson, a junior at LHS She was chosen for this award because of the tremendous leadership role she has at Lowell High School in various activities.

This award is honored to students who are showing a responsible role in society and are consciously making an effort to make a difference in the community. Peterson not only has done that academically but also socially in the organizations she is involved with after school. She is student coordinator for the Project Pals program sponsored by the FFA. She is also involved in Model U.N., and Science Olympiad, and is a member of the National Honor Society.

She is the daughter of Kay Peterson and the late Robert Peterson. She has received honors from Who's Who Among American High School Students and was the state winner of the Greenhand Public Speaking for FFA. Peterson works as a cashier at Family Fare and enjoys music, reading and spending time with friends.



Lowell High School students-of-the-month, pictured from left to right, are: Ann Merigian, Melissa Peterson, Matt Langridge, Brent McCormick and Dianna Rice.

the ships own high-tech air tracking and intercept radar to relay information.

Onan and fellow shipmates spent Christmas on patrol off Bosnia before finally heading to Naples, Italy, where they had a chance to resupply and relax ashore during New Year's.

Earlier in the deployment,

Onan participated in several exercises with French, Spanish and South Korean naval forces, in which Cape St. George crew member trained the foreign units in maneuvering, communications and combating submarines and aircraft.

Departing Norfolk, VA, in late October as part of the

USS Dwight D. Eisenhower carrier battle group, Onan's involvement in the deployment is an example of how U.S. Sailors are serving aboard ships, submarines and aircraft carriers around the world from the Persian Gulf and Western Pacific Ocean to the Mediterranean Sea.

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He joined the Navy in May 1977.

IN THE SERVICE

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Onan is one of 400 Sailors aboard the high-tech ship who have been involved in enforcing an international embargo in the Adriatic Sea

along with units from 14 other NATO nations. Onan's ship is one of the Navy's newest high-tech vessels, which has been using its sophisticated combat information system to monitor aircraft movements in the Adriatic no-fly zone as well as track submarines and shipping in the area.

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The purpose of this session is to solicit additional input from the community on ways to best utilize the school day and year for both students and staff, as well as to seek ideas for meeting new state mandates which deal with increased time for elementary students.

If you would like to submit your ideas or comments but are unable to attend, please mail them by March 6th to:

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SUNDAY MORNING FEBRUARY 26, 1995. Table with columns for time slots (5:00, 5:30, 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30) and rows for Broadcast Stations, Cable Stations, and Premium Stations.

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MONDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 27, 1995. 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 Broadcast Stations, Cable Stations, and Premium Stations.

MONDAY LATE NIGHT FEBRUARY 27, 1995. 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 Broadcast Stations, Cable Stations, and Premium Stations.

TUESDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 28, 1995. 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 Broadcast Stations, Cable Stations, and Premium Stations.

TUESDAY LATE NIGHT FEBRUARY 28, 1995. 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 Broadcast Stations, Cable Stations, and Premium Stations.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MARCH 1, 1995. 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 Broadcast Stations, Cable Stations, and Premium Stations.

WEDNESDAY LATE NIGHT MARCH 1, 1995. 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 Broadcast Stations, Cable Stations, and Premium Stations.

THURSDAY EVENING MARCH 2, 1995										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
BROADCAST STATIONS										
3	WMT Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Due South (In Stereo)	Eye to Eye (In Stereo)	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)			
41	WOTV Highway Patrol	Extra (In Stereo)	Extreme (In Stereo)	Commiss (In Stereo)	Day One	News	Nightline			
35	WGVU MacNeil/Lehrer Newshour	Practical Sports	This Old House	Michigan Out-Of-Doors	Trailside: Adventure	Mark Russell's Tour de France (In Stereo)	Waiting for God	Charlie Rose (In Stereo)		
17	WXMI Fresh Prince of Bel-Air	Simpsons (In Stereo)	Movie: "Love and Betrayal: The Mia Farrow Story" (1995, Biography) Patsy Kensit, Grace Uha.	Kung Fu: The Legend Continues "Gunfighters"	Cheers "Baby Talk"	Murphy Brown				
8	WOOD Entertainment Tonight	Inside Edition	Mad About You	To Be Announced	Seinfeld (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	News	Tonight Show		
6	WLNS Entertainment Tonight	Hard Copy	Due South (In Stereo)	Eye to Eye (In Stereo)	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)			
19	WILX Star Trek: The Next Generation "Haven"	Mad About You	To Be Announced	Seinfeld (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	ER "Chicago Heat" (R) (In Stereo)	News	Tonight Show		
23	WKAR MacNeil/Lehrer Newshour	Practical Sports	Wild America	Birds of the Backyard A guide to avian life.	Mystery! "Inspector Morse"	Practical Sports	Wild America (R)			
13	WZZM Cops (In Stereo)	Current Affairs	Extreme (In Stereo)	Commiss (In Stereo)	Day One	News	Nightline			
17	WSYM Simpsons (In Stereo)	Roseanne "Home-Ec"	Movie: "Love and Betrayal: The Mia Farrow Story" (1995, Biography) Patsy Kensit, Grace Uha.	Cops (In Stereo)	Highway Patrol	Jenny Jones				
CABLE STATIONS										
17	TBS Who's the Boss?	NBA Basketball: Chicago Bulls at New York Knicks. From Madison Square Garden. (Live)	NBA Basketball: Orlando Magic at Houston Rockets. From the Summit. (Live)							
FAM	Waltons "The Return" (Part 2 of 2)	Evening Shade	700 Club	Father Dowling Mysteries (In Stereo)						
FX	Hart to Hart "Getting Awright with Murder"	Under Scrutiny	Home and Away	Dynasty "The Scandal"	In Living Color	In Living Color	Sound IX Music videos.			
USA	Wings "The Gift"	Wings "The Gift"	Murder, She Wrote "Deadly Lady"	Movie: "Backstab" (1990) James Brolin. An architect awakens beside the corpse of his boss.	Duckman (In Stereo)	Wings (In Stereo)				
DISC	Beyond 2000	Next Step (R)	Mysterious Universe	Magical Worlds (R)	Movie Magic (R)	Know Zone (R)	Beyond 2000	Mysterious Universe	Magical Worlds (R)	
WGN	Love Connection	Jeffersons	Wayans Bros.	Parent Hood	Unhappily Ever After	Muscle (In Stereo)	News	Night Court	Simon & Simon	
ESPN	(6:30) Sportscenter	College Basketball: Florida State at Georgia Tech. (Live)	College Basketball: Memphis at Cincinnati. (Live)							
CNN	(4:30) O.J. Simpson Trial (Live)	Primetime Live	Crossfire	Larry King Live	World News	Showbiz Today	Sports Tonight	Simpson Trial		
NICK	Doug (In Stereo)	Looney Tunes	I Dream of Jeannie	Bewitched	I Love Lucy	Mary Tyler Moore	Taxi	Bob Newhart	Dick Van Dyke	
A&E	Rockford Files "Joey Blue Eyes"	Biography "Ava Gardner" (R)	Bonnie Raitt Longing in Their Hearts Concert	Sinatra in Concert at the Royal Festival Hall	Law & Order "Skin Deep"					
PASS	OCHA Digest	College Basketball: Southern Mississippi at South Florida. (Live)	Around the Rim	College Basketball: California at Oregon. (Live)						
TNT	In the Heat of the Night "By Means Most Foul"	Movie: "The Philadelphia Story" (1940) Katharine Hepburn. An ex-husband disrupts a woman's wedding plans. Colorized.	Movie: "Operation Petticoat" (1959, Comedy) Cary Grant, Tony Curtis.	Movie: "Highlander" (1986, Fantasy) R						
NASH	American Skyline	Country News	Waylon Jennings & Friends (In Stereo)	Music City Tonight Scheduled: Boy Howdy, Margo Smith. (In Stereo)	Club Dance (R) (In Stereo)	Country News (R)				
SCIFI	Twilight Zone	Tales-Darkside	Quantum Leap "Runaway - July 3, 1964"	Future Cop "The Girl on the Ledge"	Friday the 13th: The Series (In Stereo)	Twilight Zone	Tales-Darkside			
PREMIUM STATIONS										
DISN	Movie: "Turk 182!" (1985) A man gets angry over his disabled brother's pension denial. "PG-13"	Artha Franklin: Going Home (R)	Preview Show	Movie: "Cleopatra" (1963) Elizabeth Taylor.						
HBO	Movie: "Almost an Angel" (1990) A petty crook is convinced he's become God's messenger. "PG"	Movie: "No Contest" (1994, Drama) Shannon Tweed. (In Stereo) "NR"	Def Comedy Jam (R)	Movie: "Highlander" (1986, Fantasy) R						
MAX	(6:00) Movie: "Escape From Alcatraz" (1979)	Movie: "A Perfect World" (1993) Kevin Costner. A boy begins to admire the escaped con who kidnapped him. "PG-13"	Movie: "Thunderbolt and Lightfoot" (1974) Clint Eastwood, R							

THURSDAY LATE NIGHT MARCH 2, 1995										
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BROADCAST STATIONS										
3	WMT (11:35) Late Show	Late Late Show (In Stereo)	Jerry Springer							
41	WOTV Last Call (In Stereo)	Paid Program	(Off Air)							
35	WGVU (11:30) Charlie Rose	(Off Air)								
17	WXMI Jon Stewart (In Stereo)	Psychic Phone Line	Newz (In Stereo)	(Off Air)						
8	WOOD (11:35) Tonight Show	Late Night (In Stereo)	Paid Program	Leeza (In Stereo)						
6	WLNS (11:35) Late Show	Late Late Show (In Stereo)	Paid Program	Home Shopping Spree						
19	WILX (11:35) Tonight Show	Late Night (In Stereo)	News (R)	NBC News Nightside (Joined in Progress)						
23	WKAR (Off Air)									
13	WZZM Rush Limbaugh	Married... With	In the Heat of the Night "No Other Road"	Mike & Maty						
17	WSYM Extra (In Stereo)	Newz (In Stereo)	Jon Stewart (In Stereo)	Movie: "Supergirl" (1984) Helen Slater. Superman's cousin battles an evil Terran sorceress. (Off Air)						
CABLE STATIONS										
TBS	Movie: "The Dirty Dozen" (1967, Adventure)	Lee Marvin, Convicts undertake a deadly mission in Nazi Germany. Time Approximate.	CHiPs "Bio-Rhythms"	Three Stooges	Jeffersons					
FAM	Bonanza: The Lost Episodes	Paid Program	700 Club	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	
FX	Batman (Part 2 of 2)	Back Chat	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	
USA	Quantum Leap (In Stereo)	Counterstrike "Cat in the Hat"	American Gladiators	Movie: "The Finest Hour" (1992) Rob Lowe. Two Navy SEALs launch a daring Middle East rescue.						
DISC	Movie Magic (R)	Know Zone (R)	Beyond 2000	Next Step (R)	Beyond 2000	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	
WGN	(11:30) Simon & Simon	Movie: "Loose Cannons" (1990, Comedy) A no-nonsense cop teams up with a wacky sidekick.	Zephyr Media	Movie: "Making the Grade" (1994, Comedy) A rich kid hires a ringer to finish out his school year.						
ESPN	College Basketball: Arizona at Washington State. (Live)	Racehorse Digest (R)	Sportscenter	Up Close (R)	Auto Racing: SCORE Baja 1000. From Mexico.	Motor Sports Awards				
CNN	Newsnight	Moneyline	Calling All Sports	Sports Latentight	Larry King Live (R)	Crossfire (R)	Overnight	Overnight	Simpson Trial	
NICK	Dragnet	Superman	Lucy Show	F Troop	Mary Tyler Moore	Taxi	Bob Newhart	Dick Van Dyke	Dragnet	Superman
A&E	Biography "Ava Gardner" (R)	Bonnie Raitt Longing in Their Hearts Concert	Sinatra in Concert at the Royal Festival Hall (R)	Law & Order "Skin Deep"						
PASS	Sneaux Zone (R)	ATP Tour Highlights	American Adventurer	Equestrian: U.S.E.T. Pan American Games Final	College Basketball: S. Miss. at S. Fla.					
TNT	(10:35) Movie: "Operation Petticoat" (1959)	Movie: "The Long, Long Trailer" (1954) Newlyweds sink their savings into a cumbersome trailer.	Movie: "Forever Darling" (1956, Comedy) A young couple's marriage is saved by a guardian angel.							
NASH	Waylon Jennings & Friends (R) (In Stereo)	Music City Tonight Scheduled: Boy Howdy, Margo Smith. (In Stereo)	Country News (R)	(Off Air)						
SCIFI	Quantum Leap "Runaway - July 3, 1964"	Future Cop "The Girl on the Ledge"	Friday the 13th: The Series (In Stereo)	Suspense Theatre "The Kamchatka Incident"	Paid Program	Paid Program				
PREMIUM STATIONS										
DISN	(11:00) Movie: "Cleopatra" (1963, Drama) Elizabeth Taylor. An account of the Egyptian queen's tragic love affair. "G"	Eerie Indiana	Movie: "Turk 182!" (1985, Drama) Timothy Hutton. "PG-13"	Artha Franklin: Home						
HBO	(11:15) Movie: "Highlander" (1986) R	Movie: "Fist of Honor" (1993) Sam Jones. A street fighter and his wife are caught in a mob war. "R"	Movie: "On Deadly Ground" (1994, Adventure) Steven Seagal. "R"	Movie: "Spellcaster"						
MAX	(10:30) Movie: "For a Few Dollars More" (1965) Two gunmen form an uneasy alliance to hunt down an outlaw.	Movie: "Double Exposure" (1994, Suspense) Ron Perlman. (In Stereo) "R"	Movie: "Chain of Desire" (1993, Drama) "NR"							

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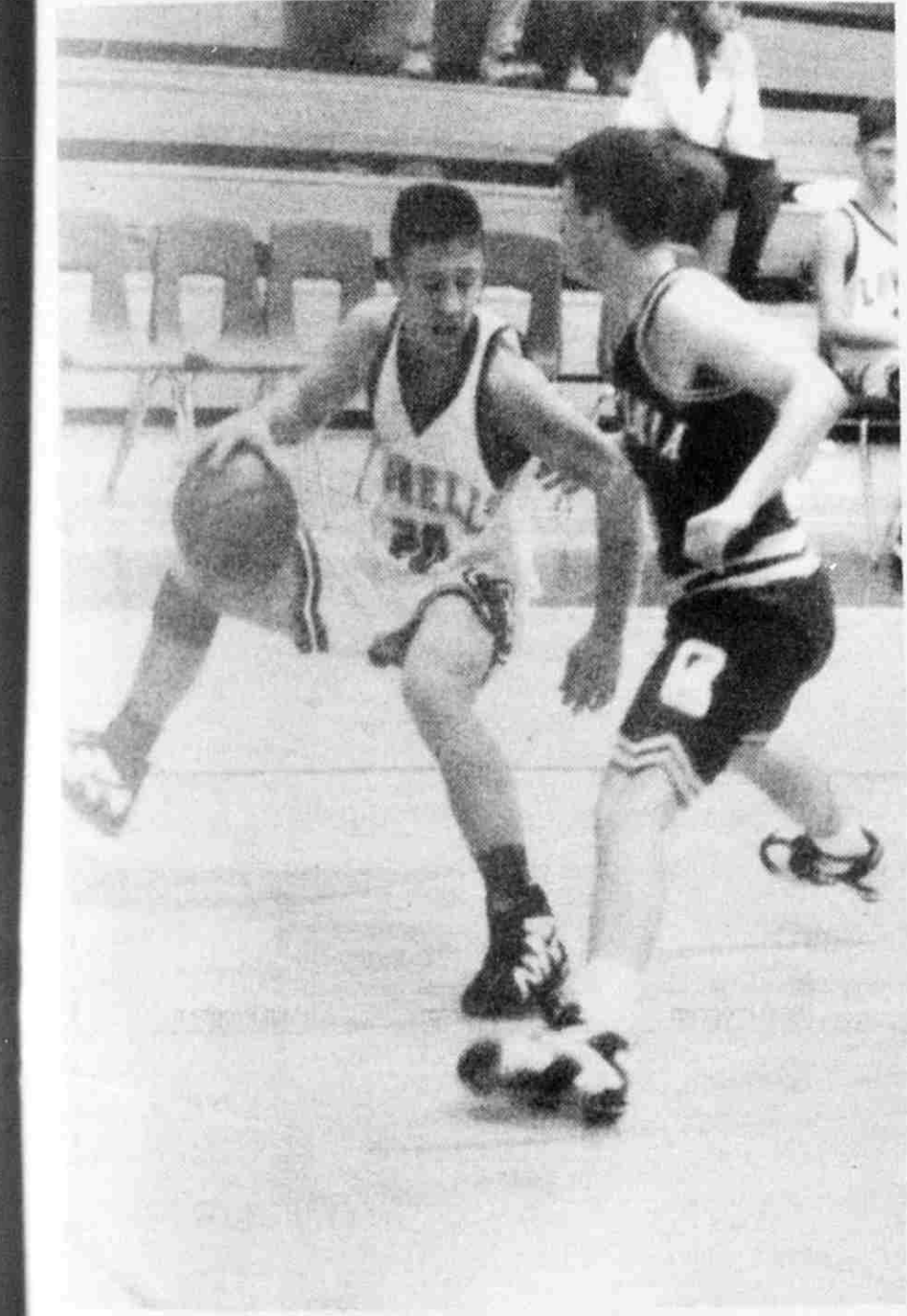
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 2/28 MWR Greenville A 4 pm

Red Arrows lack emotion in 70-57 non-conference loss to Caledonia

By Thad Kraus
 Lowell Ledger Editor

Changing defenses helped Caledonia silence one of Lowell's top three-point guns as the Fighting Scots earned a 70-57 non-conference victory.



Lowell's Ryan Graham slows things down near the baseline. Graham and his Red Arrow teammates lost to Caledonia 70-57.

Lowell basketball coach Phil Beachler said, "Out of our motion offense, we have plays designed to give B.J. Barber and Scott Smith looks at the basket from the three-point arc. Caledonia's defense was able to take Smith out of the game."

Barber, on the other hand, netted a season-high 6 three-point shots. He also scored a season-high 22 points.

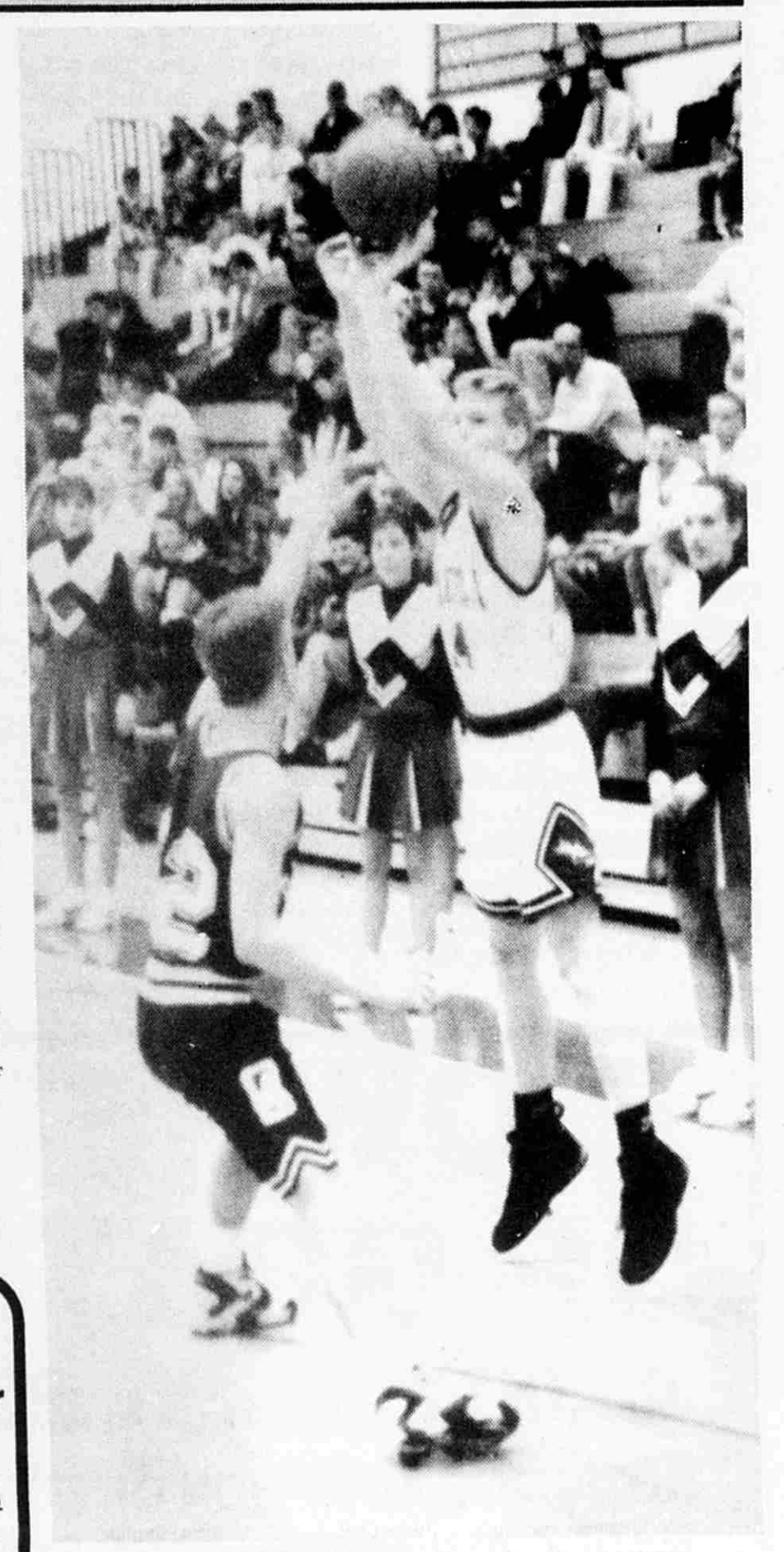
Beachler recognized that over the last three weeks, his club has come ready to play both emotionally and physically.

"It's a difficult thing to be up emotionally all the time," Beachler said. A key point in the game came in the second quarter after Lowell cut a Caledonia 14-point lead to three. The coach's son, Brian Rea, netted three of his 14 points.

The Red Arrows then misfired on a quick three-point shot of their own. Caledonia rebounded and made Lowell pay for its impatience with a layup at the other end.

Pat Stegeman led Caledonia in scoring with a team-high 21 points. Rea and Jeff Born contributed with 14 points each.

Other than Barber, Steve Bossard, 11 points, was the only Red Arrow to reach double digits. Dustin VanStee contributed with eight points. With the loss Lowell dropped to 3-14 overall. Caledonia improved its record to 9-6 overall.



Red Arrow B.J. Barber pulls up for three of his team-high 22 points Tuesday against Caledonia.

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MONDAY, MARCH 13

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 Bowne Township

VERGENNES TOWNSHIP NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Vergennes Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 6, 1995 at 7:00 PM at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive on a request to amend an existing special exception use permit held by David and Ruth Divine of Central States Precision Grinding in the SW 1/4 of section 35 as follows:

David and Ruth Divine, Central States Precision Grinding, are requesting an amendment to their special exception use permit to allow expansion of their current manufacturing facility by adding an additional 7000 square feet of manufacturing space. This property is in the industrial district in the SW 1/4 of section 35 at 1089 Lincoln Lake.

The application for amendment can be viewed at the Vergennes Township Hall between 9 AM and 3 PM on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Written comments will also be considered if received by the Township Clerk not later than 7 PM on March 6, 1995.

Rick Gillett
 Chairman

Red Arrow gymnasts have best day of the year at conference meet; Laux qualifies for regional in floor exercise

Holland wins title again; Corturier gains individual honors

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

The defending state champion and a freshman gymnast were the top two stories at the O-K Rainbow Conference gymnastics tournament at Lowell High School on Saturday.

The Holland Dutch, the defending state champion, easily moved to the head of the league field at the meet. It wasn't a surprise since the Dutch also led the league during the regular season dual meet competition.

The only gymnast capable of stealing some of that shine away from Holland's armour was the Knight herself, Kenowa Hills' freshman Bethany Corturier. She finished first in all four events.

Her total of 38.05 was the second highest in meet his-

tory; only Mona Shores' Heather Schneller (1991) had totaled more.

Corturier scored a 9.15 on the vault, a 9.8 on the uneven bars, a 9.65 on the balance beam and a 9.45 in the floor exercise.

Holland won the league tournament with 144.15 points. The Dutch were followed by East Kentwood 134.90; Rockford 134.25; Kenowa Hills 132.65; East Grand Rapids 132.35; Mona Shores 128.85 and Lowell 117.50.

"I think we are capable of winning the state title," Holland coach Tim Lont said. "We have depth, experience and the talent." The Dutch have won the conference title in seven of the last 10 years.

"I'm very proud of the girls. They had a wonderful day," Lowell coach Michele

Chamberlain said. "They showed improvement. The 117.50 total was our highest point total of the year."

The day for the Red Arrows was highlighted by the fact that Shannon Laux earned her fourth qualifying score in the floor exercise. The sophomore will now compete in the vault, floor exercise and beam at the regional in Rockford on March 4.

Laux will be joined by Brenda Lacey who also qualified for the regional in three events: floor, vault and uneven bars.

Chamberlain also recognized Lowell's only senior, Lesley Murphy. "It was nice to see Lesley have a good day. She was a little more relaxed. She did a good job," said Chamberlain.

Lowell's top score on the vault was handed in by Laux.

She tallied an 8.3 which was 15th overall.

Other Red Arrow scores came from Lacey 7.95; Murphy 7.80; Rachel Brown 7.35; Alana Valentine 7.0; and Trisha Schmidt 6.65.

Lacey had the top team score on the uneven bars with a 7.7. That was good enough for 24th overall.

Other Lowell scores included Murphy 6.0; Laux 5.3; Brown 5.05; Valentine 4.60; and Skye Fisher 4.30.

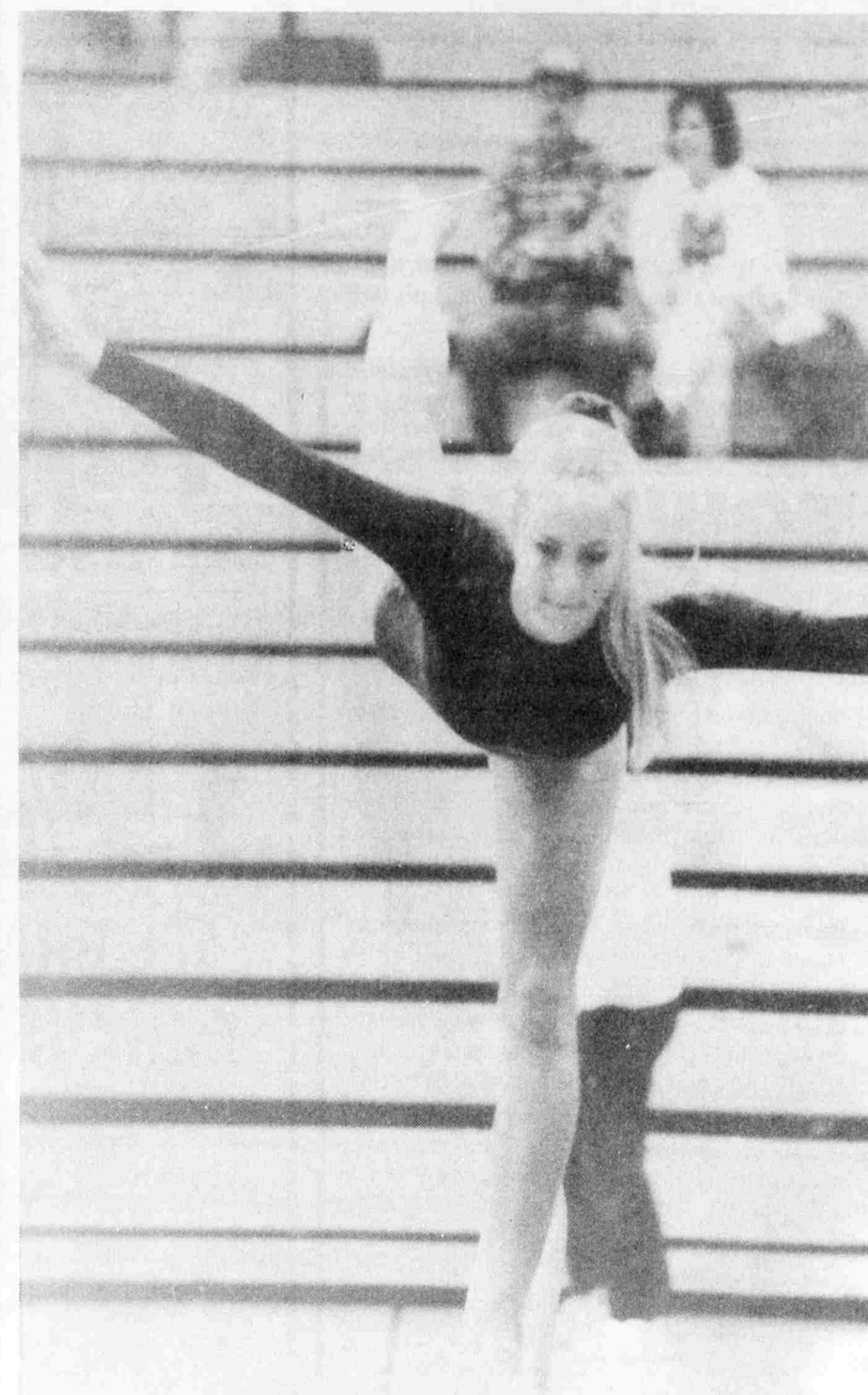
Fisher had her best day on the balance beam with a team-high score of 8.0. That was good enough for 21st overall. Following her were teammates Laux 7.70; Lacey 7.60; Murphy 6.65; Cory Land 4.90; and Schmidt 4.40.

Lacey led Lowell in the floor exercise with a mark of 8.5. That score was the 17th best overall. Murphy was next at 7.95. The rest of Lowell's scores were Laux 7.85; Fisher 7.8 and Valentine 6.9.



Lowell's Brenda Lacey performs on the balance beam during competition at the O-K Rainbow conference gymnastics meet on Saturday.

Nothing is particularly hard if you divide it into small jobs.
—Henry Ford



Steady she goes. Lesley Murphy finds her balance on the beam.

Red Arrow spikers hit on all cylinders in win over Park

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell's volleyball team knew that if it wanted to enter the conference tournament this weekend as the number two seed, a win against the Vikings was mandatory.

Focused on the job at hand, Lowell put forth a wonderful team effort in defeating Wyoming Park in straight games 15-12, 15-5.

Stepping up and playing key roles in the win were Elena Richmond and Tara Harmon.

Richmond led the club in aces with three. More importantly, in game two with Lowell trailing 5-4, Richmond was able to put together a string of nine consecutive service points. This gave Lowell a 13-5 lead and an eventual victory.

"Elena was fired up and really ripped the ball," Lowell volleyball coach Laurie Kuna said.

The Red Arrows never allowed the Vikings to get into a rhythm. That was due to some outstanding serving. "The key to the win was our

servicing," Kuna said. "We missed a serve to start our rotation in game one, but after that the girls came back and did a nice job."

For Wyoming Park's coach Anne Walker, it was more of the same. "We never got into a rhythm. We let Lowell's serves control the game, instead of us controlling the serve," she explained.

Park, considered one of the league favorites to start the season, has fallen to 1-4 in conference play.

"We expected to challenge for the conference champion-

ship. We've played everybody close, but we haven't been able to win. I still think we are a good team but our wins just don't support that," said Walker.

Harmon led Lowell in kills with seven. "Tara really picked things up for us in game two," Kuna said. "She's playing with more intensity."

Alison Kissinger led Lowell in assists with 10.

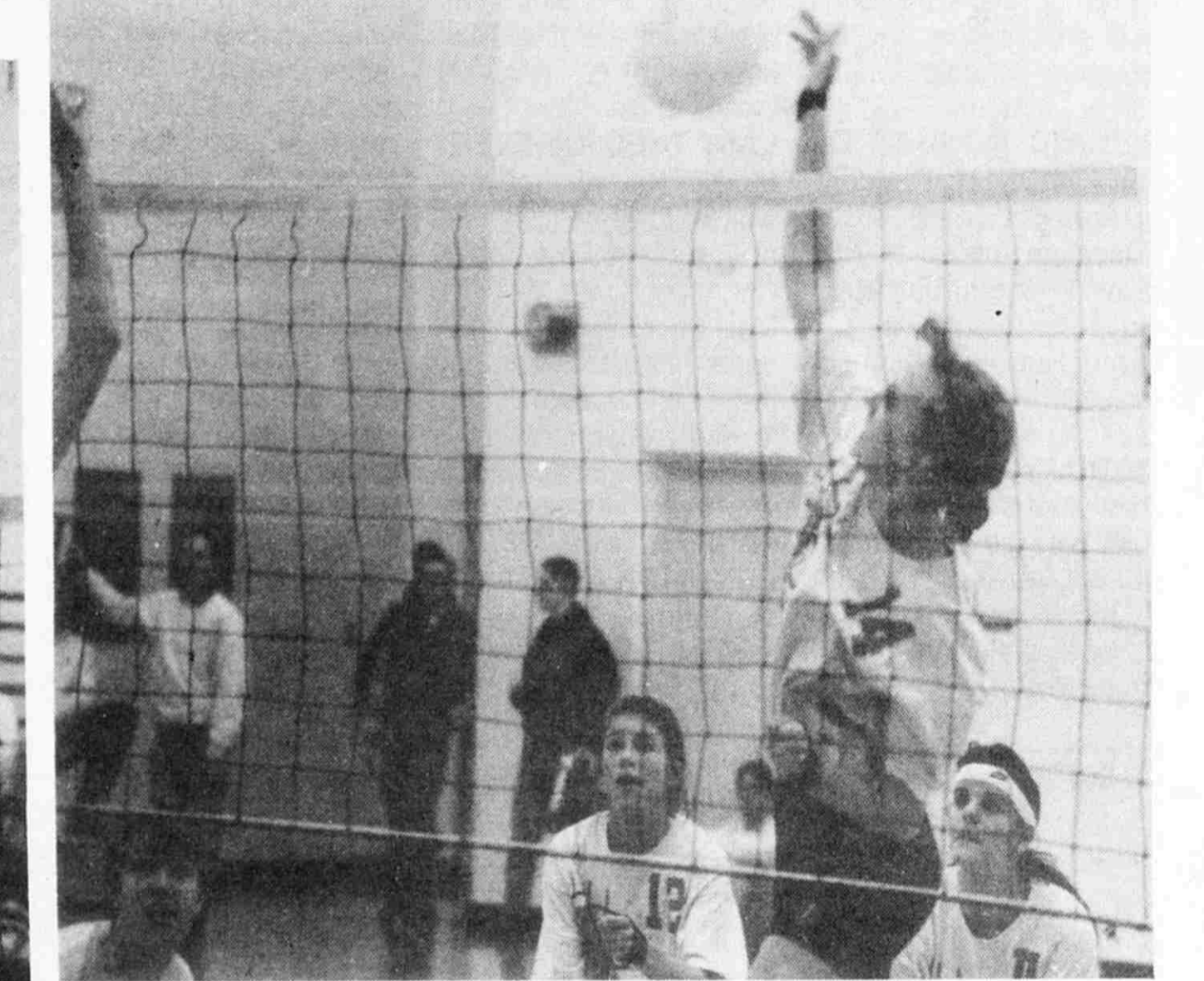
The win improved Lowell's league record to 3-2 with a home match against Hudsonville on Thursday and the conference meet on Sat-

urday. Lowell will host this year's meet. with an overall record of 20-12-6.

Lowell ended the week



Kortney Gowen deflects a Viking attempt at a kill. Lowell won the match in two games 15-12, 15-5.



Cori Boersma blasts one in the other direction in high school volleyball action against Wyoming Park.

TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT AND SUMMARY OF THE REGULATORY EFFECT THEREOF

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 13, 1995, the Township Board of the Township of Grattan adopted an ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Grattan. The principal provisions of the amending ordinance can be summarized as follows:

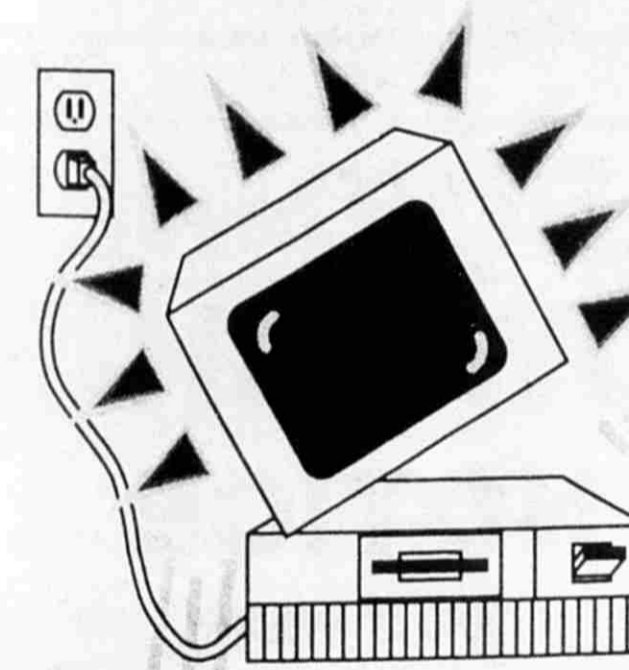
- Institutional or Public Uses.** Section 2.20 of the Zoning Ordinance is amended so as to add to the definition of institutional or public uses noncommercial private clubs, non-commercial clubhouses and other noncommercial private club buildings and fraternal organizations.
- Conditions on Special Land Uses.** Sections 13.01 and 18.08 are amended so as to include as Section 13.01F the ordinance text pertaining to reasonable conditions on special land uses that was previously included in Section 18.08 and to delete the same from said Section 18.08.
- Special Land Uses Required to Satisfy Minimum Zone Requirements.** Section 13.04 is amended so as to state that in addition to other requirements, any special land use shall comply with the minimum lot area, minimum yard sizes, minimum lot width, lake frontage requirements, building height requirements and any other area or dimensional requirement of the zoning district in which the special land use is located. In approving any special land use, more restrictive requirements than the minimum zone district requirements and the general requirements may be imposed.
- Consistency with Land Use Plan.** Subsection C of Section 13.06 is amended so as to state that in approving any institutional or public special land use, the Planning Commission must determine that the proposed special land use, as approved and limited by the Planning Commission, would be consistent with the goals and objectives of the Grattan Township Land Use Plan.
- Jurisdiction of Board of Zoning Appeals.** Section 18.02 is amended so as to state that the Township Board of Zoning Appeals shall have no jurisdiction over special land uses or planned unit developments.
- Other Matters.** Section 13.06G is added, so as to state that in approving a special land use for noncommercial private clubs or club buildings, the Planning Commission may include the condition that such clubs and club buildings be limited to use by club members only or by only other stated categories of users. Section 2.62 of the Zoning Ordinance, pertaining to a definition of outdoor recreation and entertainment facilities, is deleted, inasmuch as the subject matter thereof has been included in Section 2.34a.
- Effective Date.** The Zoning Ordinance amendment will become effective on February 22, 1995.

A copy of the Zoning Ordinance amendment may be examined or purchased at the offices of the Grattan Township Clerk, 11676 Old Belding Road, within the Township, during Township office hours.

Dated: February 14, 1995

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THERE WILL BE A COMMUNITY FORUM MEETING WITH THE LOWELL BOARD OF EDUCATION ON MONDAY, FEB. 27 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE VERGENNES TOWNSHIP HALL

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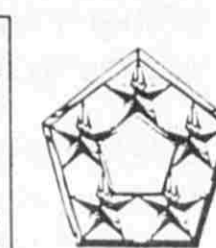
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COMING EVENTS

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

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

SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: The Lowell Area Schools Board of Education meets at 7:30 p.m. in Administration Building located in the former Runciman Elementary, 300 High Street.

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 7 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 MONDAY: V.F.W. Post 8303 meets at the V.F.W. Clubroom, 307 E. Main St. Lowell at 7 p.m.

TUESDAYS: Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops MI#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-Ke-Zik 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.

FOURTH TUES. OF EVERY MONTH: Family story-time offered by Saranac Public Library at 7 p.m. Designed for the whole family, pre-school thru 6th-grade, plus parents. For information call 642-9146.

FOURTH TUES. OF EVERY MONTH: The Fallsburg Historical Society meetings will now be held at the Look Memorial Fire Hall on S. Hudson. The March 28 meeting will start with a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. Bring own table service and dish to pass.

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

WEDNESDAYS: 8 p.m. ALANON meets at Lowell Congregational Church.

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: Alzheimers Support Group meets at 6:30 p.m. at Cumberland Retirement Village. Phone 897-4810 for information.

EVERY FIRST WEDNESDAY: Lowell Area Jaycees meet at 7 p.m. at the Lowell City Hall. New members are welcome. 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 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.

EVERY SUNDAY: The Grattan Museum, Old Belding Road in Grattan, is open from 2 to 4 p.m.

EVERY THIRD SUN.: The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse at 11841 Potters Rd. Just east of Montcalm Ave., potluck dinner, 12:30 p.m., meeting at 1:30 p.m. New members and guests are welcome.

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE: Business meeting is held the third Monday of each month at 8 p.m.

LOWELL AREA ARTS COUNCIL: 149 S. Hudson St. Hours: Tuesday thru

Friday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Closed holidays. Phone 897-8545.

ALTO LIBRARY HOURS: Open Tues. 12 to 8 p.m.; Thurs. 12 to 8 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Phone 868-6038.

THURS., MARCH 2: Vergennes Cooperative Club meets at Schneider Manor, 1 p.m. First meeting of the new year is a spaghetti luncheon by the presidents. Bring your appetites, also bring one box item for Access 6 which is one of our projects for 1995. Favorite flower is answer to roll call. Hostesses: Dorothy Randall and Evelyn Tichelaar. Sponsor: Ann Booth.

APRIL 27 - MAY 3: Wisconsin/Iowa trip. Call Mary Condon at 897-7092.

SEPT. 6-18: 7-day Alaskan cruise on The Love Boat plus more. Sign up by Feb. 14 for discount. Call Mary Condon at 897-7092.

SUN., MARCH 5: Annual Lowell Get-Together in Lakeland, FL at Stacy's Restaurant at noon. Everyone welcome.

SAT., MARCH 25: Maple Syrup Run, 9 a.m. at the Sap House, Maple Hills Sugar Bush, 9306 Grand River Dr., Ada. Entry fee (run and walk) and registration information available by calling 616-676-9568. All proceeds to Thornapple Valley Lion's Club.

Spicer, Weeks and White qualify for regional; Lowell loses to Caledonia

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

From the regular season to the individual districts, the focus of a high school wrestler changes.

It goes from what's best for the wrestler.

For Dan Spicer that meant a change in weight classes.

With the exception of the Hemlock Tournament where Spicer wrestled at 112 pounds, the junior grappled at 119 pounds throughout the rest of

the team dual season, earning a record of 35-6.

Wrestling where Lowell coach Gary Rivers said he should be (112 pounds), Spicer, seeded first, took it to the rest of the field as he won the individual district championship.

"This is his natural weight and where he should wrestle at," Rivers said.

The Lowell coach said the additional two pounds added to the weight classes in January set the table for wrestlers to wrestle at their highest

weight during the regular season. However, they had to work hard to drop weight in order to wrestle the post season at a lower weight.

"I'm not really sure that is fair to the kid who wrestles at his natural weight all year and then has to face monsters who have come down a weight at the end of the year," Rivers said.

Lowell's coach supported Spicer's move. "Dan wrestled at 119 because it made the team stronger. Through practice his weight naturally came

down. He did not have to work like mad to get his weight down to 112," Rivers said.

The 36-year veteran coach said that probably two-thirds of the wrestlers at the district wrestled at their natural weight.

Spicer moved with grace and precision at 112 pounds. He opened the day with a 12-1 decision over Caledonia's Matt Humphrey.

That was followed by a technical fall at 4:17 of the second period over Reed City's Wayne Cowley.

In Spicer's third match of the day, he defeated Big Rapids' Terry Allen 9-0.

In the championship match Spicer defeated Lakewood's Phil Root 14-3.

"When Dan moves like he was today, he's tough to beat," Rivers said.

With the four victories, Spicer improved his seasonal record to 39-6 and will advance to the regional at Alma on Saturday.

Red Arrow Doug Weeks, wrestling at 134 pounds, was one of seven seeded wrestlers in that weight class to come into the district with 30 or more wins.

Weeks finished third. He was 3-1 for the afternoon improving his record to 38-8 for the season.

The senior wrestled once during the year at 134 pounds to qualify at that weight for the post-season.

He opened the day with a pin against Portland's Jeremy Black at 1:25 of the first period. He followed that pin with another pin against Alma's Travis Gager at 10 seconds into the first period.

Weeks then scored technical fall against Hastings' Craig Bowen at 4:07 of the second period.

His only loss came in the semi-final against Middleville's Ryan Winchell in overtime 8-6.

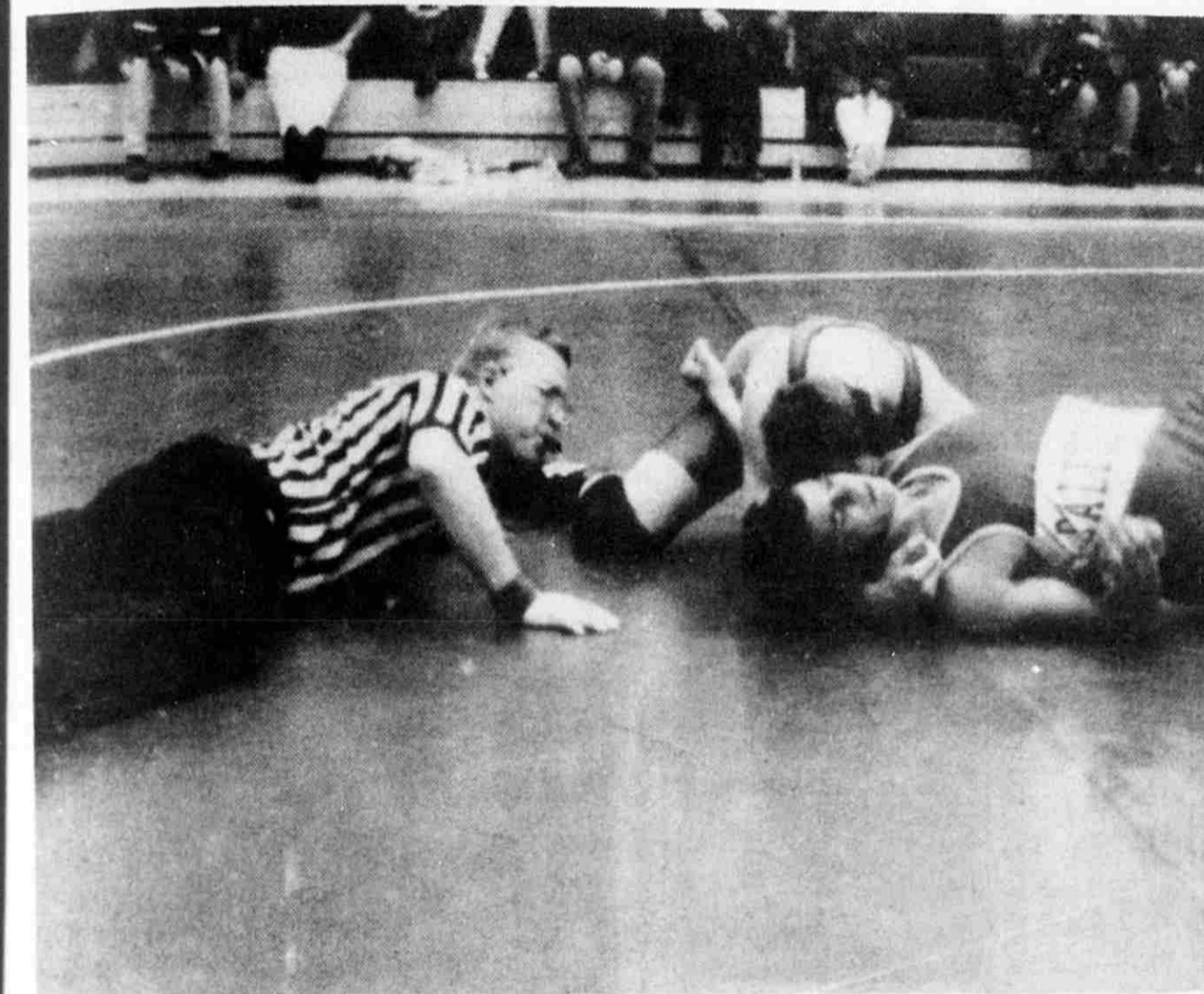
Lowell senior Rob White, 215 pounds, placed second at the district Saturday, earning himself a place in the regional field at Alma this Saturday.

"Rob wrestled to his potential," Rivers said. White pinned Haslett's Chris Hostetter at 25 seconds into the first period. He followed that with a pin against Portland's Nick Lawless at

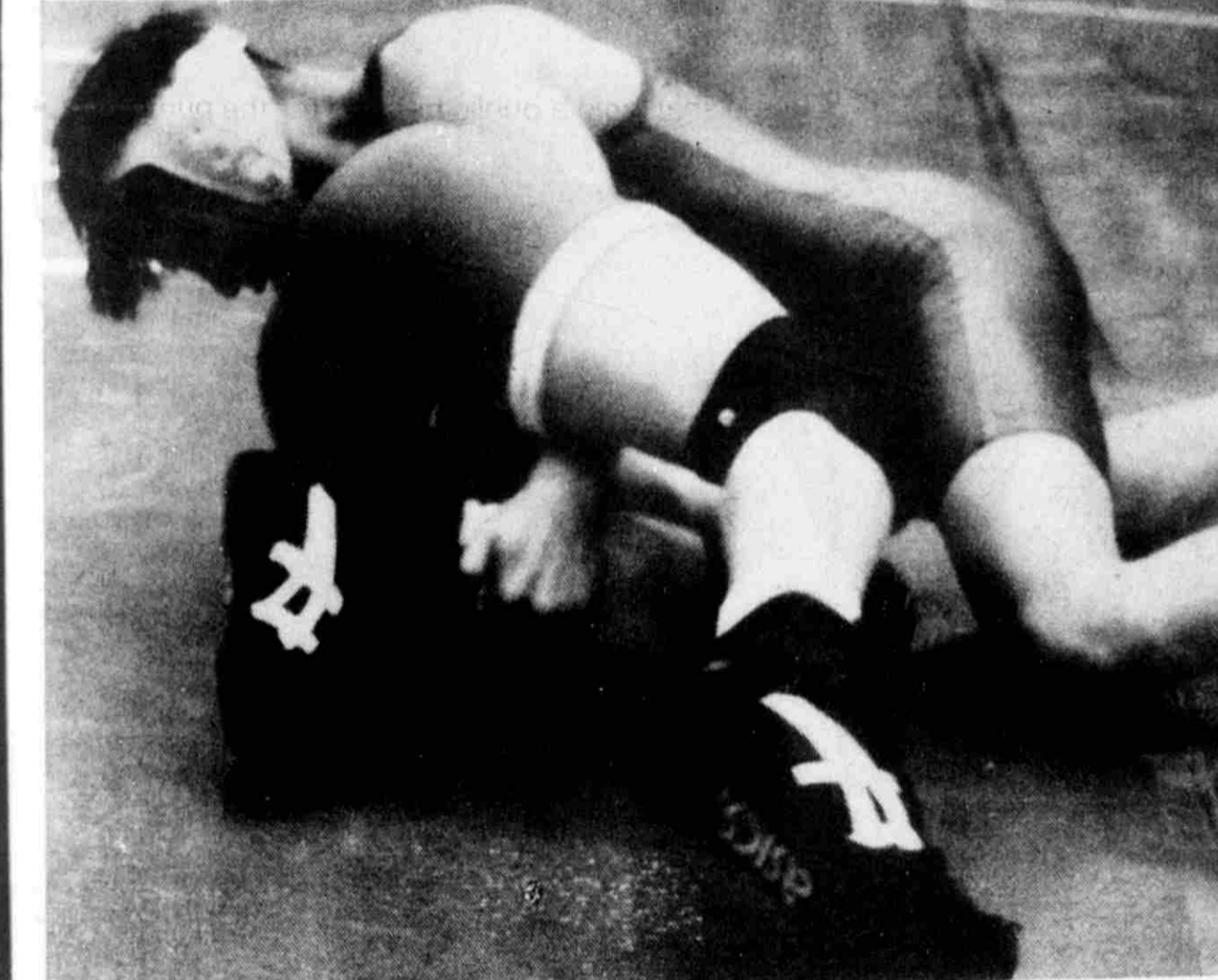
:54 seconds of the first period.

A pin at 1:36 of the first period against Lakewood's Gabe Stewart sent White into

the finals. In the finals, Joel Appel of Middleville decided White 17-6. "Rob wrestled well for Wrestling, cont'd, p. 22



Todd Lyonnois didn't get the pin, but he did earn an 18-1 win over Caledonia's Bill Norris.



Scott Swanson works over his Caledonia foe in opening-round district action. Lowell lost the meet 35-22.

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TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

REVIEW OF DNR APPLICATION FOR USE OF PROPOSED WAYNE TIFFANY NATURAL AREA

Notice is hereby given that the Grattan Township Board shall hold a public hearing for the purpose of reviewing the DNR grant application for the Michigan Natural Resource Trust Fund grant. The grant would apply towards the proposed Wayne Tiffany Natural Area.

The public hearing shall be held on Monday, February 27, 1995, in the Grattan Township Hall, 11676 Old Belding Road, Belding, MI at 7 p.m.

Peggy A. Gurney
Grattan Township Clerk

VERGENNES TOWNSHIP NOTICE

BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board of Review of Vergennes Township will meet at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, on

MONDAY, MARCH 13, 1995
between the hours of 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and from 6 p.m.-9 p.m.; also on

TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 1995
between the hours of 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and from 1 p.m.-4 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the tax roll and hearing all claims. You may appeal your assessed valuation one of two ways:

- 1) By letter addressed to the Vergennes Township Supervisor and received by him prior to March 10, 1995; or
- 2) By phoning the Township Hall (897-5671) for an appointment to appear in person.

The tentative Real Property assessment ration and assessment multiplier required by P.A. 165 of 1971 are

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LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR 897-5949 WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

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TUES.: 8:30 a.m. Walking.	THURS: 9:00 a.m. Walk and shop; 9:30 a.m. Bingo; 1 p.m. Euchre.
WED.: 12:45 p.m. Shop.	FRI.: 8:30 a.m. Walking.
SPECIAL EVENTS	
WED., MARCH 1: 8 a.m. Men's breakfast.	TUES., MARCH 21: 10:30 a.m. Wellness class.
WED., MARCH 1: 10 a.m. Blood pressure.	THURS., MARCH 23: 12:30 p.m. Shopping Daane's.
TUES., MARCH 7: 12:30 p.m. Shopping.	SAT., MARCH 25: 1:15 p.m. All school play - Rumor.
WED., MARCH 15: 9:30 a.m. Advisory council.	WED., MARCH 29: 8 a.m. Women's breakfast.
FRI., MARCH 17: 12:30 p.m. Reminisce.	FRI., MARCH 17: Saint Patrick's Day. Make noon meal reservations 3 working days in advance.

CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE

The City Water Treatment Plant will not be softening the City water from March 1 to March 15, 1995 due to major plant maintenance.

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two periods and then lost it," Rivers said. "Appel is a strong wrestler."

**Caledonia 35
Lowell 22**

Lowell coach Gary Rivers agonized over his club's opening-round district loss to Caledonia.

"It's always tougher to deal with a loss when a break here or there could have turned things around," Rivers said. "That's wrestling. We didn't get the breaks we needed and lost to a good Caledonia team."

Fighting Scot coach James Maxim was able to move his best wrestler, Dan Simmon from 185 to 215 to wrestle Lowell's Rob White.

Rivers had hoped his club would be ahead or even tied so that he could bump White to heavyweight.

With Lowell trailing 26-

22, White had to be left at 215 and wrestle Simmon. The Caledonia wrestler bested White 11-5, clinching a Caledonia win.

"Obviously some of the key matches were in the middle weight," Maxim said. "We were fortunate and won a couple of the close matches. I thought our team also did a good job of staying away from getting pinned in matches where we weren't expected to win."

The two schools split the first six matches 3-3 and were tied at 14-14.

Doug Weeks, 142 pounds, decisioned Jason Haywood 9-3 to give Lowell a 17-14 advantage. It was the Red Arrows' first lead of the match.

Lowell's Shane Risner was decisioned 6-5 by Josh Haywood at 151 pounds, pushing Caledonia and Lowell into a 17-17 tie.

Todd Lyonais gave the

lead back to Lowell at 22-17 with an 18-1 beating of Caledonia's Bill Norris.

The Fighting Scots answered as Tim Soper (172 pounds) decisioned Joel Uzarski 6-3, closing Lowell's lead to 22-20.

Mike Minier was pinned by Caledonia's Ryan Sinclair at 1:36 of the first period, giving the Scots a 26-22 lead.

Simmon's win at 215 was followed by Adam Paarlberg's spinover Lowell's Jeff Hovinga at 1:51 of the first period.

"We did better than I anticipated when the season started," Rivers said. "We knew going in we had some question marks. We just didn't

fill them soon enough."

Other Red Arrows who posted victories for Lowell were Mike Rottier, Dan Spicer, and Scott Swanson.

Rottier pinned Mike Draft in 57 seconds of the first period.

Spicer decisioned Jamie Trudeau 14-2, and Swanson shutout B.J. Tomanek 9-0.

"It is always a thrill to beat a Gary Rivers' coached team. I have great respect for him," Maxim said.

Caledonia used the district-opening win as a catalyst to a district championship 41-29 win over Hastings.

Lowell finished its team season at 17-7.

Amateur radio operators get clear signal from Vergennes Township

By Marc Popiolek
Contributing Writer

Amateur radio operators in Vergennes Township could find their reception improved now that the township has amended its building ordinance.

Present wording of the ordinance permits no structure, except silos, to exceed

35 feet.

Under the new amendments, that passage would allow radio towers to be constructed larger than 35 feet in residential and rural areas.

"We had a public hearing on Feb. 6 and there was no opposition from residents. Really we have no choice under federal guidelines," said Gil Wise, a member of the

township's planning commission.

Wise said current and past court cases involving the township show that the township cannot "restrict the structural height of radio towers if it affects the use of their equipment."

Under the township's new ordinance, valid amateur licensed radio operators can

erect a 200 foot tower in R-A and R-1 districts and 65 feet in R-2 and R-3 districts.

Operators need to provide the township with a copy of a valid Federal Communication Commission radio operators license, a copy of the tower/antenna manufacturers installation instructions and location of the antenna and its guy wires.

In cases with antennas near an airport, the township will follow federal and state guidelines.

"We can't outlaw antennas, but we can regulate them in regards to the public's health and safety," said Wise.

Township trustee Mark Weber said the planning commission had several meetings with the Lowell Amateur Radio Club and the topic was well researched.

"We had a lot of questions answered and we don't believe they would harm the township. Also these towers will not be left behind because they have value," said Weber.

Wise added that in case
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After a tense weekend, new understanding has you in a wonderful mood as the week opens. Channel your newfound energy into your latest idea—the time is ripe! Also—take your vitamins. You need your strength this week.

TAURUS
April 21-May 21
Your tenacity carries you through some minor difficulties early this week, and you enjoy a fairly uneventful time at work. Watch for lapses in productivity, though.

GEMINI
May 22-June 21
A lucky week for you in terms of your personal life. Someone you had not expected to hear from has an unexpected proposal for you. Listen carefully—it may not be all that it seems at first.

CANCER
June 22-July 22
This week, Cancer mines an unexpected passionate streak. Don't be afraid—you've earned it. Your kindness and loyalty reap benefits at work this week, also. Apparently, someone has been watching you.

LEO
July 23-August 23
You need to be paying more attention to loved ones. Your focus on other things has left them feeling neglected. Rudeness from another person is a sign of frustration—could you be the cause?

VIRGO
August 24-September 22
Organized Virgo opens the week all set to do spring cleaning. Distractions prevail, though, and by the end of the week your accomplishments don't resemble your midweek plans at all.

LIBRA
September 23-October 23
Underlings look to you for guidance this week as work enters an uncertain time. Be careful not to add to the stress level by wavering. Now is the time to be strong!

SCORPIO
October 24-November 22
An unexpected opportunity has you excited midweek. If it looks good, then go for it! Your instinct for survival will help you make the right decision. A recent confrontation has you angry—beware your desire for vengeance. You may do more damage than you think.

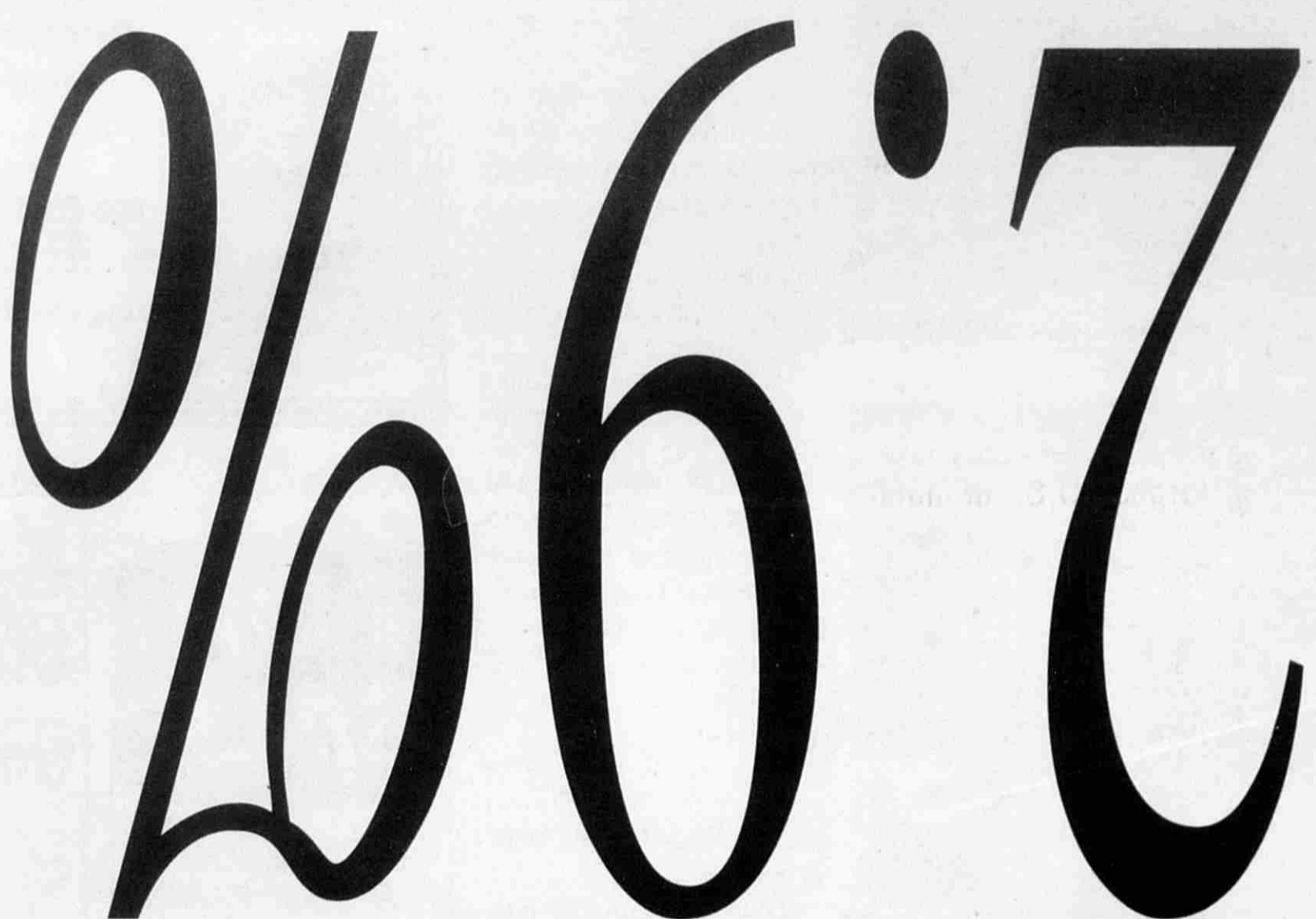
SAGITTARIUS
November 23-December 21
New plans have you excited for the future. You're able to channel this energy in a productive way, if you want. A loved one has a surprise for you. Be tactful if it's not what you want.

CAPRICORN
December 22-January 20
Careful planning is beginning to pay off for you. Watch to make sure that you don't get caught in a rut though—especially in your personal relationships. Someone may be feeling that you have taken them for granted. Show them how you really feel!

AQUARIUS
January 21-February 18
A good week to focus on personal growth and relationships. Your genius for innovation has another impressed as the week progresses. This is a good time to write a business plan or work with a partner.

PISCES
February 19-March 20
Intuitive tendencies are right on as you start the week. Someone is not being honest with you. Careful confrontation will ease the situation. Don't be discouraged; your luck will be better next time around.

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Community Based Instruction provides a partnership for students and businesses

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

When Cumberland Market Place owner Jeff Roys first learned of Lowell High School's Community Based Instruction (CBI) program, he was leery.

"I was involved in a similar program in Grand Rapids and it did not work because students who did not want to be there were being forced to come," Roys said.

So, how is it that Roys is now helping his sixth Lowell High School student attain employability skills through the CBI program?

"The program in Grand Rapids was high on talk and short on motivation," Roys said. "Lowell's program is high on motivation and short on talk."

Roys said he was convinced of the program's merits after talking to Sheila Dubbink, CBI site coordinator at Lowell High School.

"After talking to Sheila, I could tell she cared about what was going on and if the students are getting something out of the program," Roys said. "She has the students motivated and ready to go when they arrive. She is firm with them and yet fair."

CBI is a partnership between business and the educational community. Its charge is to help students gain employability skills while working on the job site. That is supplemented with classroom instruction that reinforces those job skills.

Away from the job site, students have spent time on computers writing up data sheets, resumes and letters of application. They have also filled out applications and have gone through mock job interviews.

"The kids are learning the value of references and resumes," said Keith Boeve, a special education instructor at Lowell High School.

Three years ago, Dubbink Wendy Ackermann and Mary Schull, a middle school special education instructor, worked on a functional curriculum.

Plans have been made to provide middle school students with pre-vocational skills opportunities. This program would serve to assist the CBI program imple-

mented at the high school.

"A functional curriculum group was formed. From this came a vocational education committee," Dubbink said. "We then visited other programs, wrote up a proposal and took it to Pam Thomas, LHS supervisor of special services. Following this, a vocational education committee began working on a functional curriculum."

There are 13 students involved in the CBI program. They go out to the job site two days a week. Dubbink said there are many more businesses who would like to participate in the program.

Keiser's Chris West said she is happy to be able to do something to help out the school and students. "It's definitely something I would like to continue," she said.

West noted that Keiser's employee Phyllis Sypher has served as an on-the-job trainer to the students.

The CBI program provides the students with work experiences they might not otherwise have after four years of high school.

Mike Stienstra, who has served as Cumberland Market's trainer, said he felt the program gave students a chance to get out into the real world.

"Each kid has different abilities, so you must build on their strengths," Stienstra said. "Some need hounding and some need more space and authority."

Roys said it's too easy for the students to feel comfortable in mediocrity.

"One of the students who worked for us asked questions about every little thing he did," Roys explains. "We finally told him to decide, and to judge for himself. By the end of the nine weeks, he was asking fewer questions and was even developing personal relationships with customers and was answering their questions."

Besides providing students with job skills, it has helped with their self-esteem and self-pride.

"We asked Shannon Witherell to present an opening statement at the board meeting, but he didn't think he wanted to," Dubbink explains. "Witherell then discussed this opportunity with

Roys. The Cumberland Market Place employer told Witherell that he should do it and that the teachers wouldn't have asked him if they didn't think he could do the job." The Lowell student changed his mind and did the presentation.

One of the more important by-products of the program is that it has students coming to school on days they used to skip.

Over the last few years, government and private industry have been working together to identify the needs of business and industry.

Education has responded by developing programs directed at teaching these identified skills.

The technique is proving to be successful for the Lowell High School education department.



Shannon Witherell is one of 13 Lowell High School students participating in the school's Community Based Instruction (a partnership between school and business) program. Witherell and other students spend a few hours a week at different area business locations. The programs allows the students to gain valuable employability skills.

LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS BOARD BRIEFS

FROM FEBRUARY 13, 1995 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

"SHARING THE VISION" STUDENT PROGRAM - Several special education students from the high school were on hand to present a video describing their class entitled "Prevocational Training - Community-based Instruction." The students produced the 11 minute video and the audience saw the exciting program which introduces students into the work world at various local businesses.

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT - Zac Cole explained that the student council will be sending a letter to the Kent County Road Commission asking for priority snowplowing and salting on Vergennes and Alden Nash Roads near the high school and asked for endorsement from the Board of Education.

TECHNOLOGY PROJECT UPDATE - Technology Coordinator, Mark MacDonald, updated the Board on the technology projects. Elementary computers have arrived and have been installed at Cherry Creek and Alto. He explained that a sound system would be ordered soon for the new Board of Education meeting room.

AUDIENCE AGENDA COMMENTS - Debra Anchors submitted a letter to the Board for the possible addition of JV girls golf to the sports program offerings.

PAYMENT OF BILLS - The Board approved the payment of general fund bills in the amount of \$822,937.70 and athletic, food service, trust and agency, and energy and maintenance funds in the amount of \$64,049.73. Also approved was the payment of 1990 Building and Site funds in the amount of \$297,473.64.

PERFORMING ARTS CENTER UPDATE - Dick Graham, Performing Arts Center Coordinator, presented a video explaining the usage of the performing arts center. To date there have been 29 instructional activities and 71 general meetings with a total attendance of 12,940. After school hours, Dick trains several students on the operation of sound and light boards, stage set production and the use of computer technology available in the performing arts center.

8TH GRADE BAND TRIP REQUEST - The Board approved the 8th Grade Band trip to Chicago, Illinois on May 23, 1995.

CURRICULUM UPDATE - Curriculum Director, Jim White, presented an overview of the curriculum council and various curriculum subcommittees, along with their structure and responsibilities, and explained the procedure for revising curriculum within the district.

GIFTED AND TALENTED REPORT - Dottie Roth and Winnie Eshragh, from the district's Gifted and Talented Committee, explained the three-phase plan which has been developed to ensure that all talents for all students are developed in a systematic, permanent, and timely (during the school day) manner.

BUS PURCHASES - The Board approved the purchase of four (4) 71-passenger buses from Hoekstra Truck Equipment Co. in the amount of \$49,849 each to be purchased out of the 1995-96 school year budget.

FRESHMAN GIRLS SOFTBALL AND JV GIRLS GOLF - The Board approved the addition of Freshman Girls Softball and JV Girls Golf to the athletic program offerings.

REQUEST TO STRIKE DELINQUENT TAXES - The Board approved the striking of 1989 delinquent personal property taxes from the rolls of the city of Lowell in the amount of \$647.66.

BOARD POLICIES - The following Board policies were adopted on their second reading with a few changes by consent of the Board: #5112 "Legal Resident of Students," #5118 "Non-Resident Students," #5125.2 "Right to Access and Privacy of Student Records," and #9360 "Availability of Public Records."

UPCOMING MEETINGS:
Board Community Forum, Monday, February 27, 1995 - 7:30 p.m.
Vergennes Township Hall

Regular Board Meeting, Monday, March 13, 1995 - 7:30 p.m.
Administration Building (Runciman)

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the towers fall over, they would not harm the surrounding area.

"The towers are built to crumble to the ground, much like buildings that are blown up. Ninety percent of the tow-

ers that come down fall within a 30-40 foot radius of its base," said Wise. "Also 90 plus percent of the towers are only 65 feet in height and they rarely fall over."

AREA BIRTHS

Ed & Lisa Stormzand are happy to announce the birth of their son, Reed Henry Stormzand, born on February 6, 1995. He weighed 6 lbs. 13 oz. and was 20 inches long.

He was welcomed home by brother Maxwell, grand-

mother Sara Brown of Lowell, grandfather Larry Brown of Grand Rapids, grandmother Joyce Stormzand of Lowell, great-grandmother Hazel Brown of Sparta and great-grandfather Albert Hermans of Lowell.