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## Lowell Charter Township's sign ordinance ruled unconstitutional by circuit court judge

Township to consider pursuing judge's ruling in the Michigan Court of Appeals

By Marc Popiolek  
Contributing Writer

Lowell Charter Township's on-going battle with resident G.M. Ross took a turn in Ross's direction when Kent County Circuit Judge George Buth ruled the township's political sign ordinance was unconstitutional.

Buth's ruling overturns 63rd District Court Judge Sara Smolenski, who found Ross in violation of the township's sign ordinance.

Ross and the township were at odds over the constitutionality of the township's sign ordinance which did not allow for the displaying of political signs within 100 feet of the polling precinct.

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**G.M. Ross**, after the circuit court ruled Lowell Township's sign ordinance unconstitutional

During a 1993 election, Ross posted signs in favor of Vern Ehlers too close to the polling station. Township supervisor John Timpson asked Ross to remove the signs but was turned down.

Timpson cited Ross for the violation after receiving several complaints from voters who found the signs offensive.

"I don't enjoy handing out citations, but when citizens complain, I have to follow our ordinance," said Timpson.

After learning of Buth's ruling Timpson said the township will talk to the Michigan Townships Association's legal council about pursuing the matter in the Michigan Court of Appeals.

"According to the judge the ordinance was too narrow in its limits to political signs. But we still need to get a final clarification on the ordinance, so we'll look to take it to a higher court," said Timpson.

Ross said he was pleased with the judge's ruling that the ordinance was not only unconstitutional in its application, but also facially.

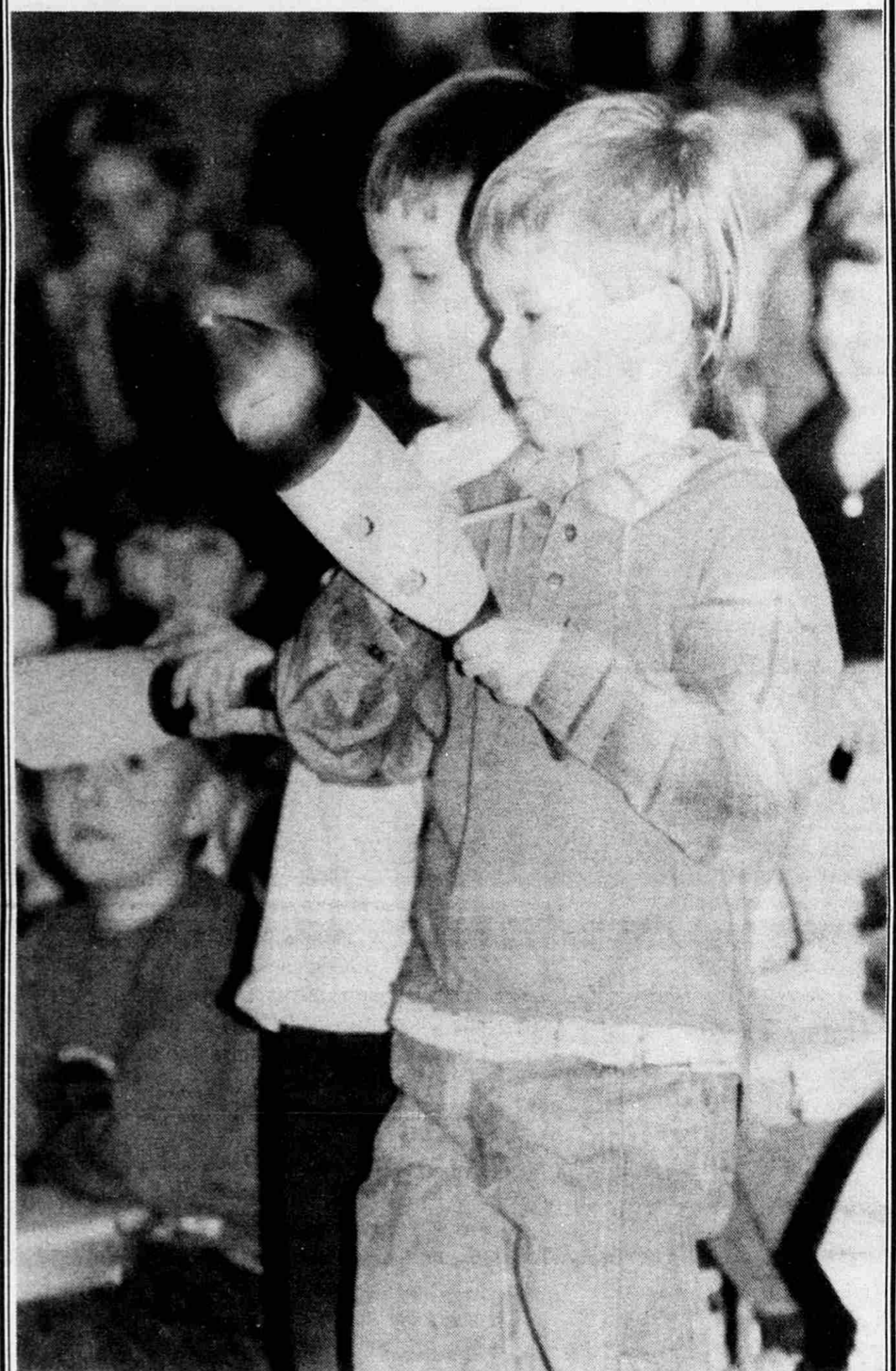
Ross said the judge's ruling doesn't say the entire ordinance is unconstitutional, "only the political sign portion is unconstitutional."

No monetary penalties were handed out by the judge, but Ross said if he wanted to, he could have pursued that option.

"If I would've lost in circuit court, I would've crossed the street and filed in federal court and I still can," said Ross. "But I've decided to give life like a king rather than take life like an ordinary man."

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## Percussion Players



Austin Koster (left) and William Davenport (right) were an important part of Bushnell Elementary's special kindergarten program entitled "Colors, Numbers and Shapes." The program defined how colors, shapes and sizes play an integral part in almost everything students do.

## City reduces first-year scope of pedestrian mall project; second block of project to be coordinated with construction of new library

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell's Lafayette Plaza/Riverfront Pedestrian Mall project was bolstered by the announcement that the city of Lowell's DDA would receive \$36,000 through the Michigan Equity Grant.

The city applied to the state for the grant two months ago. It requested \$97,500 - or half of the total cost of \$195,000 needed for the riverfront improvement project.

Lowell was one of three West Michigan cities with a

population of 40,000 or less to receive funds from the equity grant. Cedar Springs and Saugatuck were the other two.

The \$36,000 equity grant plus \$104,000 from the DDA fund will be used to complete the first block of work - extending from M-21 to Avery. That work will be completed this summer.

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### LOWELL AREA HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION MEETING

Jim Doyle will be presenting a slide program on the history of Lowell's Main Street. Slides of fires, floods, parades and many other pictures over 100 years old will be presented.

The program will start at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 29 at the Look Memorial Fire Station. The public is welcome and there is no cost.

### ARTS COUNCIL SUMMER CAMP

Lowell Area Arts Council summer camp scholarship applications are now available from Jill VanAntwerp at Lowell High School, Karen Lamberts at Lowell Middle School, or the Lowell Area Arts Council office at 149 S. Hudson.

The deadline for the applications is Wednesday, April 12, 1995. You will need written references so get your applications early. For further information call LAAC office 1 to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Friday at 897-8545.

### SPRING BREAK BAND JAM

A spring break band jam will be held Wednesday, March 29

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## Family and Friends gather to remember Pary Horian

A casual gathering of Pary Horian's family and friends will be held on Sunday, March 26, from noon until 2 p.m. at the Moose Recreation Building (Bingo Hall), 1320 E. Main St., Lowell.

Horian was killed March 4 when a car which he was a passenger left the road and hit a guardrail. The car flipped and rolled - throwing all five passengers from the vehicle.

Horian, Robert Doran and Thomas Koewers were all killed. Michael Horian (son) and Michael Ketchum suffered injuries.

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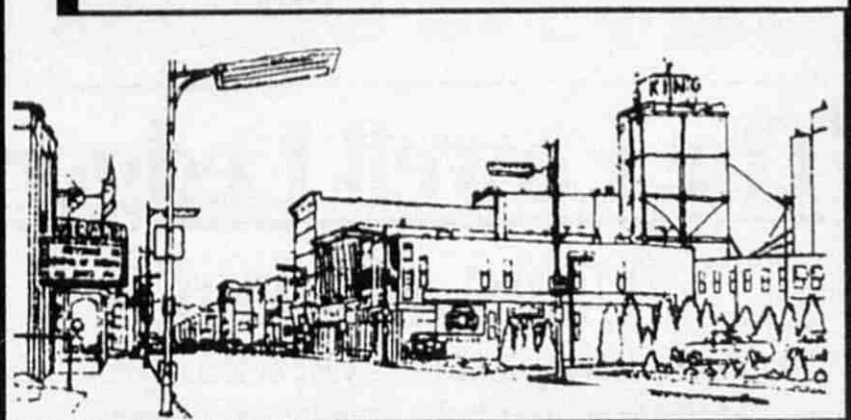
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**Spring Has Arrived!**

## Along Main Street



### LMS EIGHTH-GRADE TO PRESENT "ALADDIN"

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Come and enjoy this free evening of entertainment in the new Lowell Middle School cafeterium at 750 Foreman. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m.



## OBITUARIES

**BROWNELL** - Rollin Brownell, aged 80, of Belding died March 13, 1995. He was born May 17, 1914 in Cedar Springs to Samuel and Iva Morehouse Brownell. He was a dedicated husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather to a large and loving family. He was a retired farmer and rural mail carrier in Belding. He was a member of the Smyrna Social Club, the Smyrna Friendship Club and the Grattan Historical Society. He was married October 12, 1935 in Valentine, IN to Cora VandenBos who survives. Also surviving children, Wes and Sherry Scott, Greenville, Delbert and Karen Linebaugh, Belding, Rob and

Karlene Brownell, Sand Lake, Dave Brownell, Belding, Mike and Jill Yaw, Saranac, Randy and Sue Brownell, Belding; grandchildren, Deway and Michelle Francisco, Scott and Diane Brownell, Kristy Brownell, Voni Brownell, Mike and Bev Brownell, Bruce and Heather Sluiter, Steve Scott, Peter Linebaugh, Marc and Mikayla Linebaugh, Sean Yaw, Angie and Amy Brownell; great-grandchildren, Matt Francisco, Elizabeth Brownell, Jessica Brownell,

Audra Brownell, Kyleigh Linebaugh, Emily Sluiter; one brother, Wayne and Marion Brownell, Muir; one sister, Art and Jean DiCaire, Lansing; and many nieces and nephews; two sisters-in-law, Mary Brownell, Rockford, Rita Brownell, Lowell; two brothers-in-law, Ken Ward, Richland, and Vern LaBore, Lansing. Funeral Services were held Wednesday at Johnson Funeral Home in Belding. Pastor Darwyn Hassert officiating. Interment Bostwick Lake Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Smyrna Social Club or the Grattan Historical Society.

**CILLEY** - Earl W. Cilley, aged 67, went to be with his Lord, Monday, March 20, 1995. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Tena; children, Kathy (Edward) Genee of Ada, Earlena (Ned) Browne of Lowell, Robert "Bob"

(Brenda) Cilley of Lowell, Carol (David) Stoutjesdyk of Clarksville; grandchildren, David, Tim, Tammy, Roxann, Martin, Rachel, Rob, Tabatha, Jason, Jenny, Greg, David, Danny; great-grandchildren, Cherokee and Justice; Uncle Ralph Tanner of Greenview, Aunt Elise Kyle of Pinellas Park, FL; mother-in-law Thelma Conlon of Grand Rapids. He was founder of Earls Train World and retired from K-Mart after 25 years, a past Post Commander of V.F.W. Creston Post #3023. Funeral Services will be held Thursday 1 p.m. at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Rev. Bruce Sabados of Alto Baptist Church, officiating. Interment Merriman Cemetery. Visitation Wednesday (today) 2 to 4 and 7 to 9. Memorials may be made to Gideon Bible Society, Kent South Gideons, P.O. Box 8252, Kentwood, MI 49508.

**PETERSON** - Helen Rose Peterson, aged 83, of Alto, died Thursday, March 16, 1995. She was preceded in death by her husband Oliver. She is survived by her children, Shirley Weeks of Middleville, James and Norma Peterson of Alto; brother Edward and Margaret Storkan of Florida; sister Anne and Richard Maters of Kalamazoo; grandchildren, Allen and Noah Weeks, Brian Peterson, Lynn and Mark Droog, Kathy Peterson; great-grandchildren, Jesse, Laura and Jacob. Funeral Services will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Rev. Todd Thompson of Alto-Bowne Center United Methodist Church, officiating. Visitation Friday 2 to 4 and 7 to 9. Interment Bowne Center Cemetery. Memorial Contributions may be made to Alto Methodist Church.

## Another excellent turnout for Lowellites in Lakeland

The annual get-together of Lowellites in Lakeland, Florida this year was a success with 84 people showing up for the gathering.

In attendance were: Leonard and Gloria Jackson, Jane R. Jasper, Jack Smith, Hugh Linkfield, John and Marge Phelps, Alfred and Joann Roth, Bob and Velma Perry, Bernard and Betsy Kropf, Herb Elzinger, Jerry and Dottie DeForest, Eileen

Comdure, Ann Armstrong, Phyllis and Dan Lessens, Jake and Peg Hoover, Flora Myers Bishop, Jack Smith and Theresse, Robert and Sandy Smith, Carroll Kyser, Pat Kyser, Marilyn Kyser Hartger, Mel Hartger, John W. and Alice C. Raymor, Ron and Jeanene Stevens, Bob and Susie Harter, Bob and Dorothy Anderson, Dave and Betty Clark, Don and Ginny Sauser, Al and Joann Roth, Phil and Marian Schnieder, Carmen and

Virgil Roudabush, Margaret Peckham, Darla West, King and Marie Doyle, Rosie Fonger, Nick Fonger, Alice Warfield, Ilene and John DeWolf, Paul and Elsie Detmers, Marilyn and Bob Masten, Agnes Masselink, Barb and John Vos, Gene and Ruth Niles, Ed and Pat Roth, Hugh and Marcie Young, Marilyn Hendrick, Austin Ingersoll, Esther Ingersoll, Juanita Wheat, Mart and Treva Johnson, Carol Stevens and Emerson Stevens.

**STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT CLAIMS NOTICE**  
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File No. 95-159,474 IE

Estate of Sophie B. Bender, Deceased  
SSN: 380-03-5216

**TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:**

Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following: The decedent, whose last known address was 749 Strobel, N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504 died 11/14/94.

An instrument dated 01/04/94 has been admitted as the will of the deceased.

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John D. Mitus (P31244)  
410 Bridge Street, N.W.  
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT CLAIMS NOTICE**  
Independent Probate

Estate of Alexander J. Tarachanowicz, Deceased  
SSN: 380-03-9341

**TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:**

Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following: The decedent, whose last known address was 1214 Park Street, S.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504 died 12/25/94.

An instrument dated 01/24/81 has been admitted as the will of the deceased.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be

forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, Lawrence Tarachanowicz, c/o John D. Mitus, 410 Bridge St., N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504, or to both the independent personal representative and the Kent County Probate Court, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

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## Lowell High School's March Students-of-the-Month

Each month four of the Lowell High School Departments choose an outstanding student in their particular content area. Each of these students has shown exemplary work and added effort in the area they represent. Any staff member can nominate any student and then the entire staff votes for one outstanding student each month.

Two seniors, Scott Swanson and Alejandro Brubaker, were selected from the art department for the month of March because they have dedicated a tremendous amount of time within the area of computer graphics and design. They have encouraged and challenged one another to their best.

Swanson is the son of Russ and Barb Swanson. He has been involved in baseball and has served as a captain for the wrestling team his senior year. Swanson is currently active in the South Kent 4H Club. He hopes to attend Western Michigan University next fall.

Brubaker is the son of Daniel and Tamara Brubaker, of Lowell. He has been involved in soccer, wrestling, art club and Science Olympiad. He is currently active in the Youth group and Sunday school for Aldersgate Methodist Church. He plans on attending Western Michigan University and majoring in graphic design.

Brent Young is a senior at Lowell High School. He was selected by the technology department because he is a conscientious and dedicated student who has been instrumental in getting the technology department up and running in the new high school.

Young, the son of Grant and Lynette Young of Lowell, works as a manager at Hahn Hardware plans on attending GRCC and then transferring to a larger college, majoring in computer design.

Sarah Wieland is a senior at Lowell High School. She was selected by the science department for her excellent record in all of her science classes from biology to chemistry to physics. She is an exemplary student who works hard and is very conscientious.

Wieland is the daughter of Bill and Carol Wieland, of Lowell. She has been involved in girls basketball, served as a manager of boys basketball, and was a member of National Honor Society. Wieland has been active in the South Kent 4H Club as president for two years and in the Alto United Methodist Church.

Shari Grieser is a sophomore at Lowell High School. She was selected by the agriscience department for being a dedicated chapter officer and leader.

Grieser is the daughter of Dan and Norma Grieser, of Clarksville. She likes to play basketball, is a member of Teens Involved, as well as an active member of FFA. She is active in the West Odessa Mennonite Church youth group and helps her brother on his dairy farm in Clarksville.



March High School Students-of-the-Month are, left to right: Scott Swanson, art; Shari Grieser, agriscience; Sarah Wieland, science; Brent Young, technology; Alex Brubaker, art.

### TO ALL LOWELL TEACHERS REQUESTED BY INTERNAL MEMO TO ATTEND THE MARCH 13, 1995 BOARD MEETING TO SUPPORT THE CURRICULUM DIRECTOR:

I am sorry you were disappointed that no one was personally attacked. It is unfortunate that when issues are addressed with the school board and administration that are deemed uncomfortable to discuss, that individuals try to turn these into personal attacks.

### THE ISSUE AT HAND IS: DO WE NEED A FULL-TIME CURRICULUM DIRECTOR'S POSITION AT LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS?

The rationale behind that question is:

- Only about 50% of the schools in Kent County have full-time curriculum directors.
- Many districts handle curriculum at the principal level at each of their schools.
- If more direction on curriculum is needed, it is available at the county level through the KISD.
- We have not had money in our budget to update our curriculum or buy buses for some 2-5 years, depending on which administrator you talk to.
- The position of curriculum director costs somewhere between \$70,000 and \$90,000 when you factor in all benefits.

Wouldn't we as a district be better off to eliminate the position of curriculum director and spend the money on curriculum instead? The kids don't benefit as much by spending all our curriculum dollars on an administrator's position as they do by getting new curriculum materials in the classroom. About 50% of the districts in Kent County have elected to take this approach and it seems to work very well for **THE CHILDREN** of their districts.

**MOST MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED BY SOMEONE TAKING AN UNPOPULAR STAND!** No changes in administrators or in financial procedures would have occurred had questions not been raised and people been made to feel uncomfortable. Also, had nothing been said, the taxpayers of this district would have been asked to vote on at least two millage increases by now. **THE WHOLE SYSTEM NEEDS REEXAMINING AND PERFECTING!**

In addition, we would like an extension of the rule of the **"NO PUT-DOWN ZONE"** at board meetings. Since we make it a practice not to attack people personally, it would be appreciated (and professional) to withhold any snide comments about certain board members while at the meeting.

Respectfully,  
Shawn Eshragh

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**LMS drama class to pull curtain up on "Aladdin"**

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Members of the cast are: front row, left to right: Andy Graham, Sarah Bommarito; back row, left to right: Josie Anstett, Cory Dubridge, Adam Billingsley, Shaun Precious, Aaron Plattner, Julia Ennis.

**Golden Opportunity Auction to benefit Lowell Senior Neighbors**

Senior Neighbors will be the beneficiary of the Annual Golden Opportunity Benefit Auction on Friday, March 24. The auction will offer a variety of items, but will highlight antiques. This year's items include an antique cash register, a day of sailing on Lake Michigan, a White Caps ball game and dinner package plus much more. The oral auction, which begins at 8 p.m., will be hosted by WOOD Radio's Gary Allen and Ray Bentley. The silent auction begins at 6:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$10 which include admission to Davenport College's Sneden Center, hors d'oeuvres and beverages. They can be purchased by calling 459-6019 or contacting any of the Senior Neighbors Centers.

Senior Neighbors works to help persons 60 and over

maintain their independence in the community. The support services offered by the agency include helping with a variety of needs from prescription assistance to housing assistance. The meal program includes home delivered

meals as well as congregated meals. Senior Neighbors Centers are located in Grandville, Lowell, Sparta and in the Westside Complex, Adams Park Apartments and Weston Apartments.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

**MARCH 23:** Hazel Turner, Brian Gabriel, Scott Whaley, Richard King.  
**MARCH 24:** Joe Vezino, Jr., Jennifer Kortjohn, Mary Phillips, Marian Rutherford.  
**MARCH 25:** Whitney Bishop, Nancy Zywicki, Chuck Johnson, Virginia VanTassel, Angie Fonger, Jeremy Baldwin.  
**MARCH 26:** Jan Easton, Margaret Hoats, Bob Perry,

Carol Maynard, Jan Silvis, Rose Hildenbrand, Jacque Videan.

**MARCH 27:** Adam Tichelaar, Joel Roudabush, Lee Baldwin, Kimberly Weeks, Jason Pine.

**MARCH 28:** Doris Anderson, Jason Curtiss, Tammy Stepek, Randy Dintaman, Dale Finkler, Mamie Stahl.

**MARCH 29:** John Ellison, Rick Huver, Cathy McCabe, Sandra VanWeelden, Ron Potter, Judith Schafer Eiseaman.

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Closer is He than breathing,  
Nearer than hands and feet.

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**Cumberland Retirement Village,  
11535 E. Fulton, Lowell, MI 49331.  
Attn: Paul Wyman  
or call (616) 897-8413 for an interview**

**Area Birth**

Aaron and Barbara Roth are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Rebecca Ann, born March 3, 1995. She weighed 6 lbs. 11 oz. and measured 18 1/2 inches.

Grandparents are Steve and Barb Roth and Roger and Pat Kropf.

Great-grandparents are Ed and Doris Roth, Herbert and Sylvia Huizing and Eleanor Kropf.

Great-great-grandparents are Albert and Florence Huizing.

Aunts and uncles are Steve and Janine Kropf, Laura Kropf, Aletha Roth, Ryan Roth, Kyle Roth and Trent Roth.

**Viewpoint . . .**

**I had's thoughts**

It is easy to be cynical about what is wrong with one's life, work, school, professional sports or politicians. I, on a number of occasions, have used this column to share my cynical views with you the reader.

Mike Lupica, a columnist for the New York Times and for Newsweek, was talking on the radio Sunday night about what's wrong with today's sports writers. He mentioned that years ago, reporters went to an event to find something to celebrate and that he doesn't see that practiced today. Instead they're looking for an angle to apply their cynicism to.

Lupica was talking about sports. In reflection, I think it may be true about more than just sports writers. What he had to say struck a chord with me - so I have decided to use this week's column to celebrate a number of unrelated events/topics/happenings.

Unless you have just shut yourself off from what's going on in the community, you know there have been discussions/concerns, sometimes heated, about curriculum and "low"



While watching the evening news recently, one of the stories struck me with a strong feeling of irony. The reporter was talking about how job creation is booming so much in West Michigan that area businesses are having a difficult time finding workers to fill the jobs. Though that is certainly terrific news, it is very ironic that just five years ago, Michigan's economy was struggling against a heavy tax burden, exorbitant unemployment and a dwindling population.

Over the past four years, we have taken great steps to improve Michigan's economic climate. And there is no question in my mind that Governor Engler, through his courageous leadership in working with the Legislature, has done more to create a renaissance in Michigan than any governor in my lifetime. The policies we have pursued over the last four years to reduce the overall tax burden on families and job providers have made Michigan competitive once again with other states and with other nations. There is no clearer indication of this than the fact that our unemployment rate last year was the lowest it's been in nearly 30 years.

However, I had to oppose my close ally and friend's proposal last week and vote against legislation to establish the Michigan Economic Development Authority (MEGA). Governor Engler first talked about MEGA in his January State of the State address, and colleagues of mine followed through with the introduction of a two-bill package. Those bills, Senate Bills 350 and 351, passed the Senate last Wednesday.

Under MEGA, selected businesses would be given tax breaks for up to 20 years for creating new jobs in Michigan. Supporters of the plan say it is the medicine Michigan needs to better compete with surrounding states for jobs. Taken alone, however, MEGA really deals with the symptom rather than the cause.

The real cause we need to deal with is the cost created by the Single Business Tax for some firms, which makes them less competitive with other states. MEGA seeks to help some of those firms. And although MEGA may help some communities gain new jobs in the short-run, the problems MEGA would create outweigh the targeted benefits. If implemented, MEGA would create economic, fiscal and political problems.

Economically, we would be putting the state of Michigan in the position of giving companies picked by a political board a competitive advantage over others. Why? Because MEGA picks large companies over small, expanding companies over non-expanding ones and those that threaten to leave over those that will stay in Michigan no matter what. This economic advantage is real and is unjust to those not picked.

There is also a glaring fiscal problem. Passing MEGA would give the MEGA Board not only the authority to pay for jobs created today with funds today, but it would also give it the ability to saddle a child who today hasn't even entered kindergarten with the responsibility of paying for this job when he or she graduates from high school 18 to 20 years from now.

MEAP scores. I'm not going to discuss either; instead I will expound on the school's successes - NO, the students' successes. For two years standing, Lowell High School students have finished first at Hope College's Model United Nations program.

Al McGuire once said a true champion is not someone who does something well or extraordinary once, but it's the person who does something well and/or extraordinary over and over and over again.

Which leads me to Lowell's FFA Chapter and its advisor Pete Siler. For the past 20 years students, under the guidance and motivation of Siler, have demonstrated their talents and gifts at the state and national level. In the eight short years I have covered Lowell, I don't know of a student group which has represented Lowell Schools or the community with more pride and respect.

Terry Raymor, the gentleman who takes care of the finances for the Ledger and Buyers Guide, returned to the office Monday night celebrating how impressed he was by the talent displayed by Lowell seventh and eighth-graders at their academic track competition against Hastings.

If you're not keeping track of the face-lift the city is about to undergo over the next 2-3 years, you are in for a pleasant surprise. I can promise you this, if I haven't given it enough press to this point, you will be getting plenty of it from here on out. I can't believe there is anybody who can't get excited about the \$1.3 million Downtown Development Authority project planned.

Though well-intentioned, these are the kinds of policy decisions that have already burdened our children and grandchildren with massive federal debt.

Finally, and maybe the most problematic, MEGA would create political problems. No matter how well-intentioned the MEGA Board and public officials are, human nature guarantees that political coercion will be a certain player in the program. This coercion may be over, it may be subtle. It could be direct or indirect. But the opportunity will exist.

The political coercion could take the form of a legislator suggesting to a MEGA Board member - who is also a department director - that the legislator could better support the department's budget if that board member looked more kindly on a business proposal in that lawmaker's district. Or it could be the board member hinting he or she could look more kindly on a business proposal in a lawmaker's district if that lawmaker supported his budget. It could take the form of a board member suggesting to a private person that her project could be in danger if she doesn't contact her legislator. It could mean a business might be more or less likely to make a political contribution based on the outcome of a MEGA proposal.

All of these dangers - economic, fiscal and political - are very real threats. For these reasons, I opposed a more expanded version of this same program when former Governor Jim Blanchard proposed it.

And so not to be a hypocrite, I had to oppose it again. In the end, I believe there are better and fairer ways to make Michigan more competitive with other states. Picking and choosing, giving tax breaks to out-of-state businesses to compete with Michigan-based companies and forcing our children to buy jobs in the future isn't one of them. But lowering tax rates and regulations for all job providers, we create jobs through the marketplace - not through politics.

**Health With Drs. Paul Gauthier, Jim Lang & Donette Bish**



**ENDOMETRIOSIS**

Endometriosis is a common disease involving progressive growth of endometrial tissue outside the uterus in the pelvis and abdominal cavity. All endometrial tissue, whether inside or outside the uterus, can respond to the female sex hormones controlling the reproductive cycle. The areas closest to the uterus like the ovaries, fallopian tubes, cervix, supporting ligaments, bowels are usually the common sites for occurrence of endometriosis.

Endometrial tissue lining the inside of the uterus grows and thickens, and then breaks down and bleeds at menstruation; so does the endometrial tissue outside the uterus. The tissue growing outside the uterus has no normal exit, so when breakdown and bleeding occurs, the tissue remains in the

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If that isn't enough, it now seems Lowell will also be home to a new \$1.2 million public library.

I'm sure by now everybody has walked through the new high school facility at least once. Pretty amazing stuff! Not just for the Lowell community but even for Detroit News' legendary Joe Falls. If you haven't read his column on Lowell's gleaming new edifice - stop by. I'll make you a copy. Falls got a first-hand look at the new high school during his visit last Wednesday.

Finally, he's back. Michael Jordan, probably the greatest basketball player ever to play the game, returned to the canvas where he painted so many masterpieces. The consensus among his NBA peers is that it is only a matter of time before the rust is worked out and he begins to play the way he once did. The television audience which tuned in to watch him Sunday more than tripled that of the NCAA basketball tournament. Jordan gives me reason to tune into a whole NBA game again. I haven't done that since the days of Larry, Magic and Michael.



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

**100 YEARS AGO IN THE JOURNAL - MARCH 20, 1895**

The Lowell Athletic Club will give an entertainment at Saranac; their shows are gaining much favorable notice.

The Avery Building on the east side is being refitted for the use of James McPherson's establishment, McPherson's Bazaar, which has been in the Lee Block.

Martin Bros. are building the new suits for the Lowell Base Ball team.

Eugene Cambell and Frank Keech caught a pickerel Saturday of 16 lb. 6 oz.

Alton's Swiss Band has increased to 10 members.

Several schools have closed their terms in the last few weeks with appropriate programs.

**75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - MARCH 18, 1920**

Lowell voters will have two full states to choose from in April, plus other important matters; and the addition of women voters should produce a large turnout.

Subscriptions by citizens, plus a large discount by the Peckham brothers in selling the Auto Body building of the Lowell Cutter Co., bring the Ypsilanti-Reed Furniture Co. to sign on the dotted line for a branch in Lowell to eventually hire 200 men and women. The old Lowell Hotel, as formerly reported, was not the right building.

Ruben Lee of Boston Township raises a sack of wheat weighing 161 pounds with his teeth and thereby wins a new suit.

The Cook Evangelistic Party of Grand Rapids is starting a big evangelistic campaign at the Baptist Church.

**50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - MARCH 22, 1945**

Kenneth Dennis advances to Eagle Scout rank, the second Lowell boy (after Capt. Sam Yeiter) to do so.

A weekly Garden Hour will be broadcast over many radio stations to provide information for Victory Gardens.

Along Main Street complains about people who dump trash along the streets. It shows, now that the snow has melted.

A warm spell last week broke records after a hard winter—78 above here.

**25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - MARCH 19, 1970**

Police ask for extradition of a man being held in Peoria on other charges, who wrote two fraudulent checks for more than \$5,000 here for antiques.

Lowell voters renew 12.5 mills for operation by a 3 to 2 margin.

The city mulls over a charter change to eliminate primary elections.

Assessed valuations in Lowell Township go over \$4 million, those in Lowell over \$12 million.

The Lowell Business and Professional Women's club will hear Olive Huston, the woman mayor of Xenia, Ohio.

**AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY**

<p><b>ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH</b> 7227 Thornapple River Dr. 876-1032 Pastor: THOMAS J. BARTHA Morning Worship ..... 9:30 A.M. Sunday School ..... 11:00 A.M. Evening Worship ..... 6:00 P.M. We invite you to make this community church your church home. WELCOME TO ALL</p>		<p><b>CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> REV. William J. Renkema - 897-7060 1151 West Main Street, Lowell, MI Morning Worship ..... 10:00 A.M. Sunday School ..... 11:20 A.M. Evening Worship ..... 6:00 P.M. Nursery available at both services Barrier-Free</p>	
<p><b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> 621 E. Main Street • 897-5936 REGULAR HOURS Morning Worship ..... 8:30 A.M. &amp; 11:00 A.M. Sunday School ..... 9:45 A.M. REV. B. GORDON BARRY Nursery &amp; child care available at both services Barrier-Free Entrance</p>	<p><b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> 2275 West Main Street Sun. Worship Service ..... 9:30 A.M. &amp; 6:00 P.M. Sunday School Hour ..... 11:00 A.M. AWANA &amp; J.V. Wednesday ..... 6:30 P.M. Prayer Meeting, Wednesday ..... 6:45 P.M. JOE GERKIN, PASTOR, 897-7168</p>	<p><b>CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP OF LOWELL/ADA</b> Sunday Worship at 10 A.M. at Cherry Creek Elementary Phone (616) 897-0077</p>	<p><b>EMMAUS LUTHERAN</b> A New ELCA Church Serving SE Kent County Meeting At: Pine Ridge Elementary School 3250 Redford S.E. • 868-6611 (off "7000" Cascade Rd. on Leyton) WORSHIP 9 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:15 A.M. We invite you to "walk" with us.</p>
<p><b>EVERGREEN MISSIONARY CHURCH</b> 10501 Settlewood • Ph. 897-7195 Sunday School ..... 9:45 A.M. Morning Worship ..... 8:30 A.M. &amp; 11 A.M. Evening Service ..... 6:00 P.M. Prayer and Praise - Wed., 7:30 P.M. GLENN H. MARKS - Senior Pastor, 897-9110 STAN GERIG - Associate Pastor, 897-5894 ALL ARE WELCOME! (Barrier-Free)</p>		<p><b>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 10305 Bluewater Highway Morning Worship ..... 10:00 A.M. Sunday School &amp; Adult Bible ..... 9:00 A.M. JOSEPH FREMER, PASTOR 897-8307</p>	<p><b>DAY BIBLE CHAPEL</b> "A friendly church with a life changing message" • God Loves you and has a plan for your life. • Jesus Christ died on the cross for your sins. • Forgiveness is yours and Heaven your destination when you believe in Christ. Sunday Service ..... 10:00 A.M. Bible Study ..... 7:30 P.M. Monday 897-6332 Located on Centerline Rd. just east of Pinkney or 2 1/2 miles west of Hawley Hwy. Pastor Frank and Daphne Lattimore</p>
<p><b>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> (United Church of Christ) 404 North Hudson • 897-5906 Worship and Church School ..... 10:00 A.M. Dr. Roger LaWare ..... Pastor Eleanor Martin ..... Director of Education Meghan Culver ..... Music Director Barrier-Free ..... Nursery Provided</p>	<p><b>ALTON BIBLE CHURCH</b> Lincoln Lake Ave. at 3 Mile Road Sunday School ..... 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship ..... 11:00 A.M. Evening Praise ..... 6:00 P.M. Wednesday AWANA ..... 7:00 P.M. (Sept. - April) Prayer and Bible Study ..... 7:30 P.M. REV. KENNETH R. MCGEE, Pastor 897-5648 or 897-4273 YOU ARE WELCOME!</p>	<p><b>LOWELL CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE</b> 201 N. Washington • 897-8800 Sunday School ..... 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship ..... 11:00 A.M. Sunday Evening ..... 6:00 P.M. Wednesday Family Ministry ..... 7:00 P.M.</p>	<p>TIMOTHY E. HARMON, Minister Staffed Nursery Provided Barrier-Free Entrance</p>

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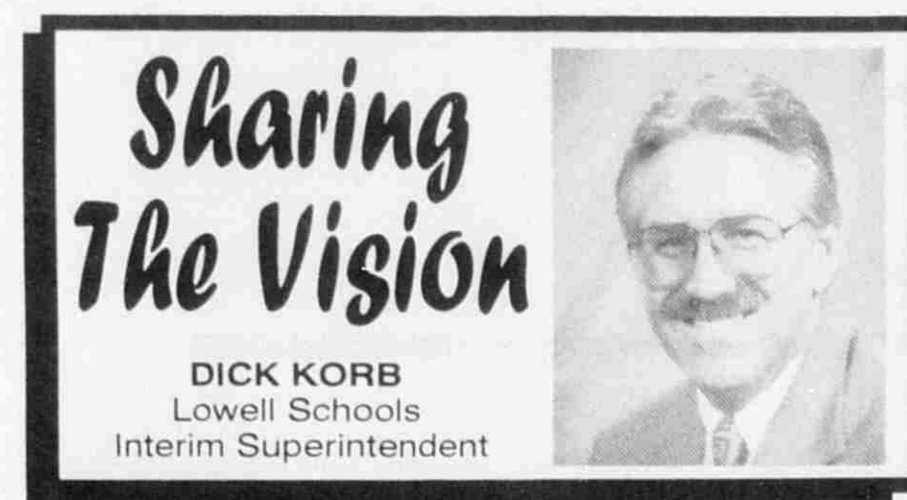
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## Sharing The Vision

DICK KORB  
Lowell Schools  
Interim Superintendent

### VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION: SHARING THEIR VISION

Volunteers In Action (VIA) evolved from a VISION 2000 Strategic Planning Committee, which was comprised of local business people, parents, and educators who thought that Lowell Area Schools could better utilize community human resources in the classroom. Our Volunteers In Action Program (VIA) is unique because it is an organized, district-wide community volunteer program whereby community members, including senior citizens, are actively recruited to volunteer in our schools. From this recruitment, volunteers are asked to fill out an Application for Community Service listing their career and special interests, volunteer experience, available days and hours, school/grade preference and the type of volunteer work preferred from over 20 areas listed and described. All of the information is then entered into a data base, which enables us to procure help for our schools as their needs arise plus keep an accurate record of volunteer time in our schools. In addition, in order to assist volunteers with questions they may have regarding the program, they are given a Volunteer Handbook pertinent to the school building they will be volunteering at.

The VIA Program is running smoothly and Marlene Heemstra continues to receive calls from teachers who need volunteers to help out in their classroom. So far, over 100 VIA Application forms have been returned. Some examples of parent and student volunteers are: tutoring of non-English speaking students, supervising students at Cherry Creek Elementary School during the breakfast program, and reading

textbook chapters onto cassette tapes for resource room students to listen to later on. We are extremely proud of the over 200 volunteers that currently are serving their school community. It is this kind of example of school community partnerships that make our schools better and serve to improve the total quality of all our educational programs. Volunteers in Action is a living example of parents and citizens actively "Sharing the Vision" with the future citizens of our society. If you are interested in the Volunteers in Action program, please call Marlene Heemstra at 897-8235.

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body. This endometrial tissue that remains in the body may cause pain, abnormal menstruation, scar tissue formation, and even result in infertility.

Endometriosis can cause no symptoms in some women, but the most common symptom is pelvic pain, which occur one to two weeks prior to periods. Most women experience painful periods and pain during sexual intercourse. Some women have irregular or heavy menstrual bleeding and some experience infertility. With the implantation of endometrial tissue on areas close to the uterus some women experience abdominal pain, constipation, diarrhea, urinary frequency, pain with defecation or urination or blood in the urine.

Endometriosis affects women of reproductive age. It can occur at any age after the start of menstruation and usually regresses at the time of menopause. It progresses slowly over the years and is nonmalignant.

Direct visualization of endometrial lesions with laparoscopy is the way to diagnosis endometriosis and to determine the extent of the disease. Treatment is individualized to patients' symptoms. Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs may be sufficient for relief of pain. Other treatments include hormonal and drug therapy. When medical therapy fails to relieve symptoms, surgical therapy is indicated. Electrocautery or laser treatment of endometriosis can be performed by laparoscopic surgery. Total abdominal hysterectomy and removal of the ovaries and all visible endometriosis is reserved for patients with advanced disease who have failed medical therapy and conservative surgery and for whom childbearing is completed.

## Lowell Area Schools opens "Action Line"

The Lowell Area Schools has installed a 24-hour-a-day, seven days a week, "Action Line" for parents and community members to call when they have questions about the district. The "Action Line" number is 897-1219.

"The purpose of the Action Line is to open one more line of communication to the community," said Marsha Wilcox, president of the Board of Education. "Residents can always call board members at home, of course, but people are sometimes reluctant to call us early or late. The "Action Line" can handle calls at any time."

This 24-hour-a-day line rounds out a number of communication opportunities already in place. In addition to before-and-after public comment periods at regularly scheduled monthly board meetings, there are four community forums held around the district during the year.

All board and board committee meetings are open to the public, and visits to see the new and renovated buildings are always welcome. When stopping by, please check in at the building principal's office to let the staff know that you are there.

When you call the "Action Line," you will be asked to state your name, address, phone number and your questions about the district. Those questions will be routed to the appropriate administrator or board members. Your call will be returned as soon as possible.

While we encourage callers to use the "Action Line" whenever they have district questions, it is always most effective to have questions regarding your child answered closest to the child, i.e., with the teacher.

Please look for other Lowell Area Schools news, board minutes, and announcements in the Lowell Ledger, the Buyers Guide, Lowell Cable T.V., Grand Rapids East Press and the Directions Newsletter. Parents may also receive news from their children's particular building.

# SUCCESSFUL SEARCH!

## Alto woman and sister's four-year quest to unite them with abandoned brother

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Sisters Eva Anderson and Rose Sharp always viewed the dinner table as being full.

That view is easily understood when one learns they were just two of seven children scraping their plates clean with their forks.

A little over four years ago, the sisters learned it wasn't as full as it could have been.

"Our mother told us we had an older brother," Anderson said. What Anderson and Sharp couldn't be told was where he was or what his name was. No one knew.

They would learn that, at three weeks old, their older brother was left in the Roanoke Hotel in Toledo, OH on Oct. 28, 1938. He was lying in the middle of a bed, wearing homemade clothing with two nursing bottles and formula instructions sitting on the dresser.

The similarities between the article and real life were

uncanny, but it did not lead the sisters to their brother. They continued to search out the names and addresses of property owners in Michigan and those living in retirement places that took on the name of Snyder-the last name of the man arrested back in November of 1938.

The search did not turn up anything. However, they would later discover that the man accused and arrested pled guilty.

The next step was writing to the state of Ohio's Department of Motor Vehicles to request a list of all males born with the same birth date as their oldest brother.

"We sent all of them letters asking them if they had any information that could lead us to our brother," Anderson said.

Sharp adds, "We got a lot of responses by phone and Search, cont'd., pg.17

Their sibling search began a couple of months after their father passed away in 1990. "We were told not to talk to Dad about our older brother," Sharp said.

Their three-year search included several trips to Ohio where several resources - court systems, police agencies, libraries and newspaper articles - were used to gather whatever information they could. The information was slim picking and did not bear any knowledge of their brother.

However, on the front page of the Oct. 29, 1938 edition of the Toledo Times, an article was written about an infant abandoned in a hotel room. The article stated that homemade clothing and bottles with formula directions were also found in the room.

The similarities between the article and real life were



Rose Sharp, Alto, and Eva Anderson, Ovid, unveil some of the paperwork they shuffled through during their search for their abandoned brother.

# CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL

For the Regular Meeting of MONDAY, MARCH 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 and Mayor Maatman.

Absent: Councilmember Thompson.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES that the minutes of the February 21, 1995 meeting be approved as written.

YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

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

YEA: Councilmembers Shores, Green, Hodges and Mayor Maatman.

NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1. (Thompson)  
MOTION CARRIED.

### BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (3/06/95)

GENERAL FUND	\$55,747.51
MAJOR STREET FUND	342.70
LOCAL STREET FUND	66.68
AIRPORT FUND	62.70
WASTEWATER FUND	133.63
WATER FUND	8,353.68
EQUIPMENT FUND	1,030.87
DATA PROCESSING FUND	522.34
CURRENT TAX FUND	586,987.14

Item #1. RECOMMENDATION FROM PLANNING COMMISSION - REZONING OF AREA NORTH OF WEST MAIN STREET WEST OF SMITH STREET AND EAST OF THE MID MICHIGAN RAILROAD - CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT OR SET PUBLIC HEARING. The Council had previously received a request from Bruce and Deborah Wilk (727 Chatham), to have their property

rezoned from Industrial (I) to Residential (R-3). City Manager Pasquale stated that the Planning Commission reviewed the Wilks' property including several single family home parcels nearby and including Newell Manufacturing which are currently zoned Industrial and considered these for R-3 (residential and apartment) zoning. The Commission recommended that an area bounded by the Mid Michigan Railroad to the west, West Main Street to the south and west of Smith Street be rezoned for R-3.

Mayor Maatman questioned why a portion of the Newell Manufacturing property was included in the proposal. In previous testimony, the Wilks noted their inability to secure mortgage financing and expand their home. Dave and Tammy Adriane (120 Smith) were supportive as their property was in the position along with Mrs. Wes Adriane (114 Smith).

City Manager Pasquale responded Newell was included as part of long term residential needs. He noted that no comments were received from Newell regarding the proposal. Pasquale explained that most of the property is vacant with the buildings located to the east near Chatham and Amity St.

Maatman inquired if the rezoning could possibly hamper future expansion plans for Newell Manufacturing. City Manager Pasquale responded that it could impede if Newell was currently in a position to proceed with expansion of their facilities.

Deputy City Clerk Morlock said that the only comment received in regard to the rezoning was a letter from Mid Michigan Railroad. Pasquale read aloud the letter received from the railroad stating their opposition. Robert Dine, Superintendent of Operations for MMRR, felt that rezoning these parcels denies the opportunity to secure additional businesses and that the railroad is currently plagued with right of way problems. Councilmember Green questioned if the Newell property surrounded the Wilks property. Deborah Wilk said that she had a verbal agreement to buy the property between their home and the railroad to the south and west. Councilmember Green suggested rezoning the Wilks' and the two Adrianes' parcels south including the two Newell parcels to be purchased by the Wilks. He felt the Council should leave the remaining Newell property Industrial. This would allow the railroad to service future industrial properties.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by HODGES that the following real properties legally described be rezoned from I Industrial District to R-3 Residential and Apartment District:  
PART OF SW 1/4 SEC 2 T6N R9W DESC AS - COM ON THE N LINE OF THE S 132 FT OF THE N 1053 FT OF

THE NW 1/4 SW 1/4 OF SD SEC. TH W TO ELY LINE OF C & O RR R/W (100 FT WIDE), TH SELY ALG ELY LINE OF SD RR R/WAY TO W LINE OF LOT 5 OF RICHARD'S & WICKHAM'S PLAT, TH N ALG W LINE OF SD PLAT TO BEG.

and from C-2 General Business District to R-3 Residential and Apartment District:

LOTS 5 THROUGH 8 OF BLK 40 OF SD PLAT, AND THE S 1/2 OF VACATED CHATHAM ST ADJ TO THEM ON THE NORTH.

YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #2. BID AWARD - KING AND HIGH STREETS WATER MAIN PROJECT. As part of a program to upgrade the water system eliminating winter freeze up problems, the installation of an 8" main on King Street from Jackson to Washington was proposed. As an alternate, the work included extending the main into the Washington-King intersection. In order to alleviate with pressure problems, a 6" main on High east of Division (372") was also planned.

City Manager Pasquale explained that the King and High Streets water main projects were initially considered last fall. However, there was concern about the nearness to winter and higher than projected costs. Thus, the bids were rejected at that time. Recently, these projects were readvertised for bid.

On February 28, the following bids were received:

	Base Bid	Alternate	Total
Ken Shaler and Son Saranac	\$48,969.00	\$11,200.50	\$60,169.50
DeWitt Trenching Grandville	\$61,775.75	\$13,827.75	\$75,603.50
Diversco Construction Grand Rapids	\$66,285.00	\$17,075.00	\$83,360.00

City Manager Pasquale stated that there was a savings of \$11,458 over the bids received in October.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by HODGES to award the King and High Streets water main project to Ken Shaler and Son for \$60,169.50 with funds allocated from the Water Fund.

# CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #3. FINAL CONTRACT PAYMENT AND CHANGE ORDER - KAMPHUIS PIPELINE - WEST SIDE WATER MAINS. As part of the west side water improvements project, water mains were installed on West Main, Gee Drive and Alden Nash. The work has been recently completed by Kamphuis Pipeline Company. City Manager Pasquale stated that the City is considering a final balancing change order for the project of \$21,753.05. Items added include relocating of a water main on Alden Nash as required by the Kent County Road Commission, additional unit quantities per field measurements and relocation of a hydrant. Pasquale noted that this work has been inspected by the engineering firm of Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and Huber as well as city staff.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by SHORES to approve the final change order in the amount of \$21,753.05 along with the final payment of \$7,350 to Kamphuis Pipeline for the west side water mains project.

YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #4. RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING POLICY AND GUIDELINES FOR GRANTING POVERTY HOME-STEAD PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS. City Manager Pasquale explained that a recent law was passed requiring local units of government to adopt poverty standards when reviewing homestead property tax exemptions. The resolution to be considered was originally developed from the City of Wyoming. However, some amendments were provided by City Attorney Richard Wendt. It was important to note that the City's guidelines are higher than the federal from one to four residents as follows to reflect area income status:

	FEDERAL	CITY
One resident	\$ 7,363	\$12,000
Two residents	9,414	13,200
Three residents	11,522	14,400
Four residents	14,763	15,600

The annual incomes between five to nine residents are exactly with the federal guidelines. (five \$17,500, six \$19,718, seven \$22,383, eight \$24,838 and nine \$29,529). The Board of Review will utilize these figures to authorize one year exemptions based on poverty.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by HODGES to adopt the resolution establishing policy and guidelines for granting poverty homestead property tax exemptions in the City of Lowell.

YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #5. DONATION AND TRANSFER OF VACANT PROPERTY LOCATED AT 725 EAST MAIN. City Manager Pasquale stated that a request was received from Nicholas Van Vorst of Kentwood who currently owns a vacant parcel at 725 East Main to donate the property to the city. Pasquale noted that the land is relatively small in size (30' X 99') and the City does not have any need for it. It was recommended by Mayor Maatman that if an adjoining property owner was interested, the City could receive the property and transfer it to an adjoining property owner. Upon inquiry, Steven Fitzgerald of 110 Horatio had stated his willingness to take the property. On the instruction of City Attorney Wendt, Van Vorst submitted a letter stating his consent to donate the property to the City or have the City transfer the parcel to the adjoining property owner. Also, Van Vorst agreed to pay for the quick claim deed to handle the donation of the property.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to donate the property at 725 East Main from Nicholas VanVorst (current owner) to the City with the City having the right to transfer the parcel to the adjoining property owner Steven Fitzgerald of 110 Horatio.

YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #6. AUTHORIZATION OF 1995-96 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT. As required by Kent County in order to comply with federal CDBG regulations, a program agreement is necessary. City Manager Pasquale noted that the application for the Gee Drive water main has been submitted for Block Grant funding.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by HODGES to approve the 1995-96 Community Development Block Grant program agreement with the County of Kent as required by federal CDBG.

YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #7. CITIZEN COMMENTS. No comments were received.

Item #8. COUNCIL COMMENTS. No comments were received.

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

A. The Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring a Riverwalk Event on Saturday, September 2 and Sunday, September 3 (Labor Day weekend). Events will be centered on the south Riverside School lot (future library site) which include an Arts and Crafts Show, canoe trips and races, children face painting, rubber duck race on the Flat, a pig roast and dance. The chamber is attempting to seek greater visibility and providing a means for fund-raising.

In case of rain, the Chamber would be able to utilize Riverside School for their activities. Pasquale expressed thanks to the Chamber for their efforts.

B. The January minutes and February agendas of the Light and Power and Cable TV Boards were presented.

C. The January 23, 1995 minutes of the Planning Commission were presented. At its February 27, 1995 meeting, the Commission approved site plans for a playland addition and service windows to McDonald's Restaurant. Also, an eight unit apartment building to Schneider Manor (off Bowes) was approved.

D. The Look Memorial Fund Committee (February 13 meeting) approved a \$10,000 grant to the Lowell City Airport to assist in payment for paving the main runway. This reduces the Airport's debt on the project to approximately \$10,500.

E. The City Council will have a joint meeting with the Planning Commission on Monday, March 13 at 7 p.m. to review the Master Plan. A copy of the draft was presented to each Councilmember.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 7:57 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: March 20, 1995  
James D. Maatman, Mayor  
David M. Pasquale, City Clerk



## MAIN ST., CONT'D.

at 7 p.m. at the new high school auditorium. The bands "Breath" and "Dent" will be playing.  
The cost is \$3 in advance and \$4 at the door. Half of the proceeds will go to the school auditorium.

### LOWELL SHOWBOAT PRESENTS THE SWEET ADELINES AND BARBERSHOP CHORUS

The Lowell Showboat presents the Sweet Adelines and the Great Lakes Barbershop Chorus Saturday, May 6 from 7 to 9:30 in the Lowell High School Performing Arts Auditorium. Tickets are \$8 and \$10 and may be purchased by phoning the Lowell Showboat offices at 897-8280. Tickets may also be purchased at the door.

### DRIVERS TRAINING FORMS AVAILABLE

Drivers training forms are now available at Lowell High School for summer session. Students must be 15 by June 30 to apply.

### ANNUAL FALLSBURG HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

The annual meeting of Fallsburg Historical Society will be held Tuesday, March 28 at 6:30 p.m. at the Look Memorial Fire Station. There will be a potluck dinner and beverages will be provided. Everyone is asked to bring their own table service and a dish to pass.

## Pedestrian Mall, continued... From Page 1

Because the city did not receive all the monies it applied for, it received an okay from the state to reduce the scope of the project (scheduled for this summer) outlined in the application.

The riverwalk north of Avery to the Amphitheatre would then be coordinated with the new library construction at the adjoining site.

A news conference has been tentatively scheduled for Tuesday (March 28) to unveil the sketching of the proposed \$1.2 million, 9,000 square foot library. It is also

anticipated that the news conference will provide more intimate details on the project's funding.

Lowell City Manager Dave Pasquale said the construction of the new library is currently scheduled for next year - allowing one year for fund-raising.

The Graham building has served as the home to the Lowell Public Library for the past 70 years.

Once the new library is constructed, the Graham building will become the showcase for Lowell Area

There will be an election of trustees and Reverend Vance Dimmick of the First United Methodist Church of Lowell will speak on "Circuit Riders: Preachers of the Frontier." Visitors are welcome.

### LOWELL AREA CROP WALK RECRUITMENT RALLY KICKOFF

A recruitment rally kickoff for the Crop Walk will take place at First United Methodist Church, 621 E. Main, Lowell on March 23 at 7 p.m.

For more information call the church at 897-5936.

### HELP NEEDED TO LEARN MORE ON SHOWBOATS HISTORY

Persons interested in working on a committee to gather information about the Showboat's history in Lowell are asked to please contact Ray Quada, 897-8533.

### LHS DRAMA CLASS PRESENTS "RUMORS"

Lowell High School's drama class presents "Rumors" Friday and Saturday, March 24 and 25. The curtain opens at 8 p.m. and the matinee on Saturday starts at 2 p.m.

The regular ticket price is \$4; students pay \$3. Special group rates are available. More information is available by writing Lowell High School, Drama, 11700 Vergennes, Lowell, MI 49331 or by calling 616-897-4125.

### COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION

Commodities will be distributed Thursday, March 30, between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. at the Lowell Moose Recreational N Building, 210 E. Main. Must bring proof of eligibility or no commodities will be distributed.

## OFF THE BLOTTER

Kendall Witherspoon, 41, of Lowell, was released March 13 after posting bond on a warrant for assault and battery. Lawrence Williams, 44, and Edward Ford, 44, both of Grand Rapids, were arrested and taken to the Kent County Jail on charges of retail fraud (shoplifting) over \$100 March 13. The shoplifting occurred at Family Fare and Rite Aid Pharmacy.

Tracey Snyder, 22, of Lowell, was arrested and taken to the Kent County Jail on two warrants March 14. One warrant was issued out of 63rd District Court for failure to appear in court and the other was from Ionia County Court for issuing no account checks.

Randy Paddock, 23, of Saranac, was arrested March 14 on a warrant for driving while license suspended.

Linda Schumaker, 50, of Lowell, was issued an appearance ticket to 63rd District Court March 16 for a violation of a city ordinance against burning.

Terry Abel, 32, of Lowell, was taken to the Kent County Jail for domestic assault March 14.

Richard Rutherford, 56, of Lowell, sustained minor injuries when he was struck March 19, while riding his bicycle on Hudson at Elm Street, by a car driven by Marcha Plummer, 43, also of Lowell.

Kathryn Schoolland, 28, of Belding, was released after posting bond on a warrant issued out of 63rd District Court March 20.

Gary Bulman, 41, of Lowell, was arrested and taken to the Kent County Jail March 18 for driving under the influence of alcohol.

A 15-year-old female, from Alto, will be referred to probate court on charges of retail fraud (shoplifting) which occurred March 17 at the Amoco Station.

## Vocational-technical education discussed in Washington briefing

Marsha LaHaye, life management teacher at Lowell High School, attended a three-day briefing in Washington, D.C. on education policy initiatives of the Clinton administration and the Republican controlled 104th Congress. These policies will affect vocational-technical education in schools across the country.

LaHaye also consulted with Congressman Vern Ehlers, Nick Smith, Fred Upton, Joe Knollenberg, and Barbara-Rose Collins to encourage more support for vocational-technical education as part of the school-to-work transition system for public school students in Lowell.

In sessions at the American Vocational Association National Policy Seminar March 5-8, LaHaye and three others from the Michigan Life Management Educators group were briefed on work force education reform legislation by Secretary of Labor Robert Reich and Congressmen William Goodling and Dale Kildee. The seminar program included several workshops focused on new federal legislation and practical guidelines on education reform.

Goodling, chair of the House Economic and Educational Opportunities Committee, Doug Ross, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment and Training, and Augusta Kappner, Assistant Secretary of Education for Vocational and Adult Education, gave seminar participants their views of the federal role in vocational-technical education. And a panel of Congressional staffers and expert observers discussed changing mechanisms for vocational-technical education funding under proposed block grants to states.

Representatives from Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, Tech School, General Motors, Integrated Human Resources and ServiStar Corp. explained how to build and strengthen business-education partnerships at the local level.

In a how-to session, J.D. Hoye, director of the National School-to-Work Office, and members of her staff discussed the nuts and bolts of establishing a school-to-work system in public schools.

During their stay in Washington, many participants in the seminar paid visits to their Congressional delegations on Capitol Hill. The Michigan delegation visited both Senator Abraham and Senator Levin's offices along with the congressmen listed above.

## CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE

The annual clean-up of the Oakwood Cemetery will be the week of:  
APRIL 3 THRU APRIL 7, 1995  
Please remove all arrangements, baskets, etc., you wish to keep by:  
SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 1995

Betty R. Morlock  
Deputy City Clerk

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## FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 24 THROUGH MARCH 30

Dianne Wiest is a favorite to win an Oscar as best supporting actress for her performance in Woody Allen's *Bullets Over Broadway*. ABC presents the 67th annual *Academy Awards* live from Los Angeles Monday. David Letterman is host of this year's ceremony.

## LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 29, 1995 at 7 p.m. at the Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash, SE, to consider the following rezoning requests:

1) Six residents have a joint request to rezone approximately 53 acres in Sections 14 and 15 -

41-20-14-100-043	Ignatoski	5.79 acres
41-20-15-200-022	DenHouter	17.22 acres
41-20-15-200-031	Ennis	6.91 acres
41-20-15-200-034	DeWeerd	10.16 acres
41-20-15-200-039	Noskey	2.66 acres
41-20-15-400-015	Mauer	10.40 acres; and

2) The Lowell Township Planning Commission is also sponsoring a request to rezone approximately 134.53 acres in Sections 14 and 15, specifically those parcels in the Nyalala and Emberwood Drive areas.

Both requests are to rezone Agricultural-2 land to Residential-1 land to allow for more splits to build dwellings.

The rezoning requests and the Lowell Township Zoning Ordinance and maps are available for public inspection at the Township Hall during regular office hours. Please call 897-7600 for further information.

Carol L. Wells  
Lowell Township Clerk

## TOWNSHIP OF VERGENNES NOTICE

The Vergennes Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 3, 1995 at 7:00 p.m. to receive public comment on a request by ITM Corporation, 533 W. Godfrey, Lowell, MI to construct an 800 square foot office addition on the north side of their present building.

Such action requires an amendment to their Special Exception Use. The ITM plant is located in the SW 1/4 of Section 35, Vergennes Township.

The plans and application for this construction can be reviewed at the Vergennes Township Hall from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Written comments will also be considered if received by the township prior to 7:00 p.m. on April 3, 1995.

Rick Gillett  
Chairman

## shower of Spring SAVINGS



'92 C1500 4X2 SUBURBAN  
SLE package, 350 engine, deep tinted glass, automatic, a/c, tilt, cruise, camper mirrors, 4 spd., a/c, tilt steering, aluminum wheels, trailer pkg., 3.73 gears, panel doors, AM/FM stereo w/cassette, buckets w/center console.



'91 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER  
4 cyl., automatic, cruise, AM/FM stereo w/cassette, 7 passenger seating, a/c, r. defog., good runner with only 58,000 miles.

### PROGRAM CARS

'94 OLDS 88 4 dr., white, 22,004 mi.	\$16,595
'94 OLDS 88 4 dr., maroon, 18,425 mi.	\$16,595
'94 OLDS CIERA 4 dr., blue, 10,000 mi.	\$14,295
'94 PONTIAC GRAND PRIX 4 dr., blue, 17,091 mi.	\$14,195
'94 OLDS CIERA 4 dr., white, 15,000 mi.	\$13,795
'94 PONTIAC GRAND AM 4 dr., blue, 16,940 mi.	\$13,595
'94 OLDS CIERA 4 dr., white, 18,594 mi.	\$13,495



'88 CHEVY 1 TON DUAL WHEEL PICKUP  
Crew cab, 454 engine, Scottsdale pkg., camper mirrors, 4 spd., a/c, tilt steering, running boards, sliding r. window, pwr. windows, pwr. locks, AM/FM stereo w/cassette.



'93 PONTIAC TRANSPORT SE  
3800 V-6, automatic, tilt cruise, pwr. seat & windows, pwr. locks, deep tinted glass, AM/FM stereo w/cassette, steering wheel controls, 7-passenger seating.

'94 OLDS CIERA 4 dr., maroon, 16,850 mi.	\$13,495
'93 OLDS ACHIEVA 4 dr., white, 23,000 mi.	\$11,695
'94 OLDS SUPREME White, 18,916 mi.	\$14,995

'92 GMC K1500 PICKUP, Blue, 47,000 mi.	\$15,495
'93 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER VAN, Burgundy, 19,000 mi.	\$14,995
'92 GMC SAFARI VAN, Blue, 42,740 mi.	\$14,995
'91 GMC JIMMY, 4 dr., red, 68,650 mi.	\$14,595
'91 OLDS BRAVADA, 4 dr., blue, 74,000 mi.	\$14,595
'90 JEEP CHEROKEE WAGON, Red, 76,519 mi.	\$14,575
'92 OLDS SUPREME INTL, Black, 48,000 mi.	\$13,995
'91 GMC JIMMY, 4 dr., blue, 74,000 mi.	\$13,995
'91 CHEVY SUBURBAN 4X4, Grey/red, 94,000 mi.	\$13,995
'92 OLDS 88 4 dr., blue, 30,000 mi.	\$12,995
'92 OLDS 88 4 dr., maroon, 23,000 mi.	\$12,595
'92 OLDS 88 4 dr., maroon, 48,161 mi.	\$12,495
'91 OLDS 98 REGENCY, Black, 56,308 mi.	\$12,495
'91 PONTIAC TRANS VAN, Maroon, 93,763 mi.	\$11,995
'94 FORD PROBE, 2 dr., black, 24,800 mi.	\$11,995
'91 CHEVY K1500 PICKUP, Blue, 98,000 mi.	\$11,995
'93 PONTIAC GRAND PRIX, 4 dr., grey, 28,100 mi.	\$11,995
'92 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE SE, Black, 72,922 mi.	\$10,995
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'91 BUICK LESABRE, 4 dr., blue, 56,076 mi.	\$10,995
'94 CHEVY S10 PICKUP, Blue, 21,997 mi.	\$10,495
'93 FORD RANGER XLT, Teal, 17,749 mi.	\$10,495
'92 DODGE DAKOTA PICKUP, Blue, 39,000 mi.	\$9,995
'94 PONTIAC SUNBIRD, 4 dr., red, 18,000 mi.	\$9,995
'91 CHEVY LUMINA EURO, 4 dr., blue, 41,587 mi.	\$9,995

"AS IS" SPECIALS	
'87 OLDS 88 Burgundy, 2 dr., 90,000 mi.	\$3,995
'84 JEEP WAGONEER Silver, 4 dr.	\$3,995
'87 FORD F150 Pickup, red, 87,590 mi.	\$3,995
'85 DODGE 3/4 VAN Blue, 114,725 mi.	\$2,995
'83 GMC SIERRA PICKUP Silver, 134,000 mi.	\$2,495
'87 CHEVY Z24 2 dr., red	\$2,295
'86 PONTIAC FIREBIRD Formula, blue, 200,000 mi.	\$1,995
'85 MAZDA 626 4 dr., brn, 133,466 mi.	\$1,995
'81 PONTIAC T-1000 2 dr., blue	\$1,295
'86 OLDS FIRENZA 2 dr., white	\$695
'86 FORD EXP 2 dr., white, 130,000 mi.	\$695
'82 HONDA PRELUDE 2dr., silver, 197,000 mi.	\$495

USED CAR DEALS	
'95 OLDS AURORA, 4 dr., blk cherry, 10,000 mi.	\$29,995
'94 GMC PICKUP 4X4, Red, 11,850 mi.	\$18,995
'93 FORD EXPLORER, Teal, 4 dr., 62,877	\$17,495
'93 OLDS SUPREME CONVERSION, Aqua	\$16,995
'93 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE SSE, Tan, 51,000 mi.	\$16,995
'93 CHEVY ASTRO, Ext. cl., white, 36,777 mi.	\$16,995
'92 CHEVY K2500 PICKUP, grey/slr, 47,700 mi.	\$16,795

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FRIDAY EVENING MARCH 24, 1995 7:00 7:30 8:00 8:30 9:00 9:30 10:00 10:30 11:00 11:30

FRIDAY LATE NIGHT MARCH 24, 1995 12:00 12:30 1:00 1:30 2:00 2:30 3:00 3:30 4:00 4:30

SATURDAY MORNING MARCH 25, 1995 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

SATURDAY AFTERNOON MARCH 25, 1995 12:00 12:30 1:00 1:30 2:00 2:30 3:00 3:30 4:00 4:30 5:00 5:30 6:00 6:30



SATURDAY EVENING MARCH 25, 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.

SATURDAY LATE NIGHT MARCH 25, 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.

SUNDAY MORNING MARCH 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.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON MARCH 26, 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, 5:00, 5:30, 6:00, 6:30) and rows for Broadcast Stations, Cable Stations, and Premium Stations.

SUNDAY EVENING MARCH 26, 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.

SUNDAY LATE NIGHT MARCH 26, 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.



MONDAY EVENING MARCH 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 and Cable Stations.

MONDAY LATE NIGHT MARCH 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 and Cable Stations.

TUESDAY EVENING MARCH 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 and Cable Stations.

TUESDAY LATE NIGHT MARCH 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 and Cable Stations.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MARCH 29, 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 and Cable Stations.

WEDNESDAY LATE NIGHT MARCH 29, 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 and Cable Stations.



THURSDAY EVENING MARCH 30, 1995										
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<b>BROADCAST STATIONS</b>										
3	WVMT	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Due South "The Deal" (In Stereo)	Eye to Eye (In Stereo)	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	News	Late Show (In Stereo)	
4	WOTV	Highway Patrol	Extreme "Death Do Us Part" (In Stereo)	Extra (In Stereo)	Commish "The Kid" (In Stereo)	Day One	News	News	Nightline	
5	WGVU	MacNeil/Lehrer Newshour	Practical Sports	This Old House	Michigan Out-of-Doors	Command Performance	News	News	Charlie Rose (In Stereo)	
7	WXMI	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air	Simpsons (In Stereo)	Martin "Movin' on In" (In Stereo)	Living Single	New York Undercover "Eliminate the Middleman"	Kung Fu: The Legend Continues (In Stereo)	Cheers	Financial Self-Defense	
8	WOOD	Entertainment Tonight	Inside Edition	Mad About You	Hope & Gloria	Seinfeld (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	ER "Full Moon Saturday Night" (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)
9	WLNS	Entertainment Tonight	Hard Copy	Due South "The Deal" (In Stereo)	Eye to Eye (In Stereo)	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	News	Late Show (In Stereo)	
10	WKAR	Star Trek: The Next Generation (In Stereo)	Mad About You	Hope & Gloria	Seinfeld (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	Frugal Gourmet (R)	Mystery! "The Inspector Allyn Mysteries" Allyn sets a trap for a society blackmailer. (In Stereo)	Day One	News
11	WZMR	MacNeil/Lehrer Newshour	Practical Sports	Wild America	This Old House	Michigan Out-of-Doors	Command Performance	Day One	News	Nightline
12	WZZM	Cops (In Stereo)	Current Affairs	Extreme "Death Do Us Part" (In Stereo)	Commish "The Kid" (In Stereo)	Day One	News	News	News	Nightline
13	WSYM	Simpsons (In Stereo)	Roseanne "Bingo"	Martin "Movin' on In" (In Stereo)	Living Single	New York Undercover "Eliminate the Middleman"	Cops (In Stereo)	Highway Patrol	Jenny Jones	
<b>CABLE STATIONS</b>										
10	TBS	Who's the Boss?	Who's the Boss?	NBA Basketball: Atlanta Hawks at Golden State Warriors. From the Oakland Coliseum Arena. (Live)	Movie: ** "Car's Eye" (1985, Horror) James Woods. Time Approximate.					
11	FAM	Waltons	Erin becomes the town's first pin-up girl.	Evening Shade	Evening Shade	Rescue 911 (In Stereo)	700 Club	In Living Color	Father Dowling Mysteries (In Stereo)	
12	FX	Hart to Hart	"Blue and Broken Hearted"	Under Scrutiny	Home and Away	Dynasty "Sins of the Father"	In Living Color	In Living Color	Sound IX Music Videos	
13	USA	Wings (In Stereo)	Wings (In Stereo)	Murder, She Wrote "Murder at the Oasis" (R)	Movie: *** "Hoosiers" (1986, Drama) Gene Hackman. The new high-school basketball coach meets with resentment. (In Stereo)	Wings (In Stereo)				
14	DISC	Beyond 2000	Next Step	World of Wonder (R)	Amazing America (R)	Movie Magic (R)	Know Zone (R)	Beyond 2000 Indoor resort replicates outdoors.	World of Wonder (R)	Amazing America (R)
15	WGN	Love Connection	Jeffersons	Movie: ** "The China Lake Murders" (1990) A cop suspects a colleague is behind a rash of killings.					Honeymooners	Simon & Simon
16	ESPN	Sportscenter	Fitness for Young Americans Aerobics	Auto Racing: Thunder. From Ventura, Calif.					Baseball Tonight	Sportscenter: Final Four Edition
17	CNN	Moneyline	Crossfire	Primernews	Simpson Trial	Larry King Live			World News	Sports Tonight
18	NICK	Doug (In Stereo)	Looney Tunes	I Dream of Jeannie	Bewitched	I Love Lucy	Mary Tyler Moore	Taxi	Taxi "Tony's Baby"	Bob Newhart
19	A&E	Rockford Files (Part 2 of 2)	Biography "Dionne Quintuplets" (R)	Judy, Frank and Dean: Once in a Lifetime (R)	Judy Garland and Friends (R)	Judy Garland and Friends (R)			Law & Order "Securitate"	Dick Van Dyke
20	PASS	To Be Announced	JHL Hockey: Cleveland Lumberjacks at Detroit Vipers. (Live)						College Hockey U.S.A.	Drag Racing: NHRA Slick 50 Nationals.
21	TNT	In the Heat of the Night "Discovery"	Movie: *** "Splendor in the Grass" (1961, Drama) Natalie Wood, Warren Beatty, Pat Hingle. First love shatters a young girl's life in a Kansas town.	Movie: *** "Shampoo" (1975) Warren Beatty.						
22	NASH	American Skyline	Country News	Wayton Jennings & Friends (In Stereo)	Music City Tonight (In Stereo)	Country News (R)			Club Dance (R) (In Stereo)	Country News (R)
23	SCIFI	Twilight Zone	Tales-Darkside	Quantum Leap (In Stereo)	Nightmare Cafe "Sanctuary for a Child"	Friday the 13th: The Series "The Baron's Bride"			Twilight Zone	Tales-Darkside
<b>PREMIUM STATIONS</b>										
DISN	Movie: "Wool Returns! A Kid's Best Friend" (1994, Fantasy) Edward Fidoe.	Nature by Design	Movie: *** "9 to 5" (1980) Jane Fonda. Three working women rebel against their sexist pig of a boss.	Movie: "The Old Curiosity Shop" (1995, Drama)						
HBO	Movie: "Almost" (1994, Comedy) Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	Movie: *** "Coneheads" (1993, Comedy) Dan Aykroyd. (In Stereo) PG	Movie: "Bloodst V: Human Target" (1993) Don "The Dragon" Wilson. R	Def Comedy Jam (R)	Movie: "The Stranger" (1994) Kathy Long. NR					
MAX	Movie: "What's Eating Gilbert Grape" (1993)	Movie: *** "A Bronx Tale" (1993) A youth favors a flashy mobster over his hard-working dad. R	Movie: ** "I'll Do Anything" (1994) A struggling actor gets custody of his precocious daughter. PG-13							

THURSDAY LATE NIGHT MARCH 30, 1995										
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<b>BROADCAST STATIONS</b>										
3	WVMT	(11:35) Late Show	Late Late Show (In Stereo)	Jerry Springer	Dennis Prager	Home Shopping Spree				
4	WOTV	Last Call (In Stereo)	Paid Program	Paid Program	(Off Air)					
5	WGVU	(11:30) Charlie Rose	The Eagles This "In the Spotlight" special features an April 1994 Los Angeles concert. (R) (In Stereo)	(Off Air)						
7	WXMI	Jon Stewart (In Stereo)	Psychic Phone Line	News (In Stereo)	(Off Air)					
8	WOOD	(11:35) Tonight Show	Late Night (In Stereo)	Later (In Stereo)	Paid Program	Leeza (In Stereo)			NBC News Nightside	
9	WLNS	(11:35) Late Show	Late Late Show (In Stereo)	Paid Program	Home Shopping Spree					
10	WKAR	(11:35) Tonight Show	Late Night (In Stereo)	Later (In Stereo)	News (R)	NBC News Nightside (Joined in Progress)			Headline News	
11	WZMR	Practical Sports	Wild America	(Off Air)						
12	WZZM	Rush Limbaugh	Financial Self-Defense	In the Heat of the Night "Love, Honor and Obey"	Mike & Maty	ABC World News Now (Joined in Progress)				
13	WSYM	Extra (In Stereo)	News (In Stereo)	Jon Stewart (In Stereo)	Movie: ** "Son of Flubber" (1963, Comedy) An inventive professor creates an anti-gravity vapor. (Off Air)					
<b>CABLE STATIONS</b>										
10	TBS	(10:30) Movie: ** "The Amityville Horror" (1979, Horror) James Brolin, Margot Kidder. A family finds terror in their new Long Island home.	WCW Pro Wrestling	Laverne & Shirley	Jeffersons					
11	FAM	Bonanza: The Lost Episodes "It's a Small World"	Paid Program	Paid Program	700 Club	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
12	FX	Batman	Back Chat	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
13	USA	Quantum Leap "Stand Up - April 30, 1959" (R)	Counterstrike "No Honour Among Thieves"	American Gladiators						
14	DISC	Movie Magic (R)	Know Zone (R)	Beyond 2000 Indoor resort replicates outdoors.	Next Step (R)	Beyond 2000	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
15	WGN	(11:30) Simon & Simon	Movie: *** "On the Line" (1984) Two American border guards clash over a Mexican prostitute.	Movie: *** "Frenzy" (1972, Suspense) Jon Finch, Barry Foster. A man is wrongly suspected of committing a rash of murders.						
16	ESPN	Swimming and Diving	NCAA Men's Championship. From Bloomington, Ind.	Racehorse Digest (R)	Sportscenter	Up Close (R)	America's Horse (R)	Billiards: World 9-Ball		
17	CNN	Newsnight	Moneyline (R)	Calling All Sports	Sports Latenight	Larry King Live (R)	Crossfire (R)	Overnight	Simpson Trial	
18	NICK	Dragnet	Superman	Lucy Show	F Troop	Mary Tyler Moore	Taxi	Bob Newhart	Dick Van Dyke	Dragnet
19	A&E	Biography "Dionne Quintuplets" (R)	Judy, Frank and Dean: Once in a Lifetime (R)	Judy Garland and Friends (R)	Law & Order "Securitate"	Movie: *** "The Blue Lamp" (1950, Mystery)				
20	PASS	Trackside	Raceweek: Food City 500. From Bristol, Tenn.	Press Box	Great Sports Vacations	American Adventurer	Drag Racing: NHRA Slick 50 Nationals. (R)	Sneaux Zone (R)		
21	TNT	(10:50) Movie: *** "Shampoo" (1975, Comedy)	Movie: *** "Reds" (1981, Drama) Warren Beatty, Diane Keaton, Edward Herrmann. Oscar-winning account of the life of journalist John Reed.							
22	NASH	Wayton Jennings & Friends (R) (In Stereo)	Music City Tonight (R) (In Stereo)	Country News (R)	(Off Air)					
23	SCIFI	Quantum Leap (In Stereo)	Nightmare Cafe "Sanctuary for a Child"	Friday the 13th: The Series "The Baron's Bride"	Suspense Theater "Threepersons"	Paid Program	Paid Program			
<b>PREMIUM STATIONS</b>										
DISN	(11:00) Movie: Walt Disney World	David Bowie: Black Tie White Noise (In Stereo)	Movie: *** "Sink the Bismarck" (1960, Adventure) Kenneth More.	Movie: *** "9 to 5" (1980, Comedy) Jane Fonda, Dolly Parton. PG						
HBO	(11:00) Movie: "Judicial Consent" (1994) A Supreme Court nominee finds herself accused of murder. NR	Movie: ** "Warlock: The Armageddon" (1993, Horror) Julian Sands. R	Movie: "The Cool Surface" (1994, Suspense) Teri Hatcher. (In Stereo) R							
MAX	Movie: "Raw Justice" (1994, Drama) David Keith, Pamela Anderson. R	Movie: ** "The Getaway" (1994) Husband-and-wife thieves flee after a gangster's betrayal. R	Movie: "The Cool Surface" (1994, Suspense) Teri Hatcher. (In Stereo) R							

# Area youths receive holstein awards at Grand Plaza

The Michigan Holstein Association held their annual convention at the Amway Grand Plaza in February where an awards presentation program was held. Area youths receiving Junior All-Michigan and All-Michigan Holstein awards included Renee Nugent, Eric and Alan Hasso and Steven and Christian Koning.

All members belong to the Michigan Junior Holstein Association. Each exhibitor showed their heifers and cows

at local, district and state levels during 1994. Their animals were nominated, and show results determined the winners throughout the state.

Nugent received awards for Junior All-Michigan Spring Yearling, Junior All-Michigan Aged Cow, Junior All-Michigan Dry Aged Cow and Junior All-Michigan 100,000 Pound Cow. She also received All-Michigan honors for Produce of Dam, Reserve All-Michigan Dam and Daughter, and Reserve All-

Members' agricultural activities, community involvement and record keeping are included in the application process. He is a third-grader at Cherry Creek Elementary. Alan Hasso received Reserve Junior All-Michigan Summer Yearling Heifer. He attends Cherry Creek Elementary and is in the second-grade. The young men's show heifers are showing. They are the sons of Diane and Mary Hasso of Lowell.

Steven Koning received awards for Reserve Junior All-Michigan Spring Heifer Calf and Reserve Junior All-Michigan Winter Yearling Heifer. He is currently the Kent County 4-H Prince and a third-grader at Cherry Creek Elementary. He co-owns two winners with his brother, Christian. And these animals received Junior All-Michigan Junior Two-Year-Old and Reserve Junior All-Michigan Fall Heifer Calf. Christian Koning, who attends Bushnell Elementary, also was awarded Junior All-Michigan Spring Heifer Calf. This calf has been nominated Red and White All-American. They are the sons of Cindy and Steve Koning of Lowell.



Attending the Holstein Convention in February were, front row, Christian Koning; middle row, left to right: Eric Hasso, Alan Hasso and Steven Koning and back row, Renee Nugent.

## TOWNSHIP OF VERGENNES NOTICE

The Vergennes Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 3, 1995 at 7:00 p.m. at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, to receive public comments on proposed amendments to the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance concerning the "I" Industrial District.

The proposed amendments would expand Section 201.309 "I" Industrial District and make certain other amendments to support such action. The Primary provisions of the proposed changes are as follows:

**Article III**  
**Delete:** The existing Section 201.309 in its entirety.  
**Add:** A new Section 201.309 "I" Industrial District with the following primary provisions:

**A. Purpose:** To provide for low intensity processing, warehousing, assembly and manufacturing uses with low land coverage and minimal external effects. Included are appropriate design, siting and buffering elements to protect nearby residential areas.

**B. Permitted Uses:** All permitted uses would be subject to site plan review, to Section D below, would have less than 28,000 square feet of building area or employ less than thirty people on site during any one shift, and be limited to the following:

- Warehouses or transfer operations, excluding bulk storage of petroleum, chemicals and rubbish or scrap.
- Tool and die, machine shops or similar uses.
- Mini storage facilities
- Printing and publishing
- Parts assembly and cabinet making
- Office buildings accessory to the permitted use.

**C. Special Exception Uses:** Any industrial use shown in "B" above exceeding 28,000 square feet of floor area or employing more than thirty people during any one shift, or land developments creating two or more industrial sites and requiring construction of a public or private street or road.

All Special Exception Uses require permission under required procedures in the ordinance, are subject to any specific standards adopted for such permission, and are also subject to procedures in "D" below.

- D. Site Development Standards**
- Building height is limited to 35 feet, with a lot area of not less than two acres, a minimum lot width of 200 feet and with not more than 30% of the lot area occupied excluding employee and visitor parking.
  - Front setbacks of 75 feet, side set-

backs of 30 feet (50 feet from residential property) and a minimum rear line setback of 40 feet (50 feet from residential property) would be required.

Construction standards would require that at least 80% of the front side, and any other side facing a residential area, to be finished with brick, wood, glass, stone or other compatible and acceptable materials.

All utility lines to be underground

Landscaping of all ground surfaces between street or road edges to buildings would be required as well as all on other ground areas unless kept natural.

Fencing would be solid and not less than six feet high. Except for parking areas and loading docks all uses not enclosed in a building would be enclosed in a solid fence or acceptable earth berms or walls. Nothing would be higher than six feet in such areas.

Fencing, berms, plantings or a combination of these would be required for all property lines abutting a residential district. If plantings alone are used a solid green evergreen strip not less than 30 feet wide shall be required, with inclusion of a planting plan on the site plan.

Installation and maintenance of fencing, berms and planting is the responsibility of the industrial property owner and a performance bond may be required.

All roads and streets would be hard surfaced in compliance with applicable Kent County Road Commission or township requirements. Any industrial development containing two or more operations would have a dual land ingress-egress road entrance installed as approved by the Kent County Road Commission.

**Article IV**  
 Section 201.417 F4 would be amended to specify numbers of required parking spaces depending on the type of industrial use, size of buildings and number of employees.

**Article V**  
 Section 201.501 would be amended to provide that an Industrial Special Exception Use granted approval prior to adoption of the proposed ordinance amendments could continue such use and expand under terms specified at the time of original approval. Future expansions would be required to meet ordinance requirements in effect at that time.

The full text of these proposed ordinance changes can be reviewed at the Township Hall between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Written comments will also be considered if received by the Township Clerk prior to 7:00 p.m. on April 3, 1995.

Rick Gillett  
Chairman

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letter. I think some were hoping they would be coming into some money."

Finally on Dec. 20, 1994, they received a phone call from man named Robert Green in Oak Harbor, OH.

"He told me that his adopted mom had told him he was abandoned as a child," Anderson said. "He went to a library in Toledo and found the same article we did, and thought maybe that was who we were looking for."

He later revealed that on the back of his adoption papers, his adoptive mother had written his given birth name - it read William Earl Sharp.

"We may never have really known had she not done that," Sharp said.

On March 24 (Friday) the long-awaited reunion with their brother who they've been separated from for over 50 years will take place in Ovid at Anderson's home.

"We have not yet met him. Eva is the only one who has even talked to him," Sharp said.

The television news magazine "A Current Affair" has contacted the family to tape the reunion for the show.

"He sounded great over the phone. He said he had beautiful parents," Eva said. "I'm real excited. I can't wait to meet him."

Sharp adds that they all want to know what he is feeling, how he is feeling, and what his life was like growing up.

Sharp and Anderson concluded that their investigating and research was helped by author Joseph J. Culligan's book *You, Too, Can Find Anybody*.

"I'm not sure we could have done it without reading that book. It gave us a lot of ideas as to where to look," Sharp said.

As things turned out - no farther than Oak Harbor, OH.

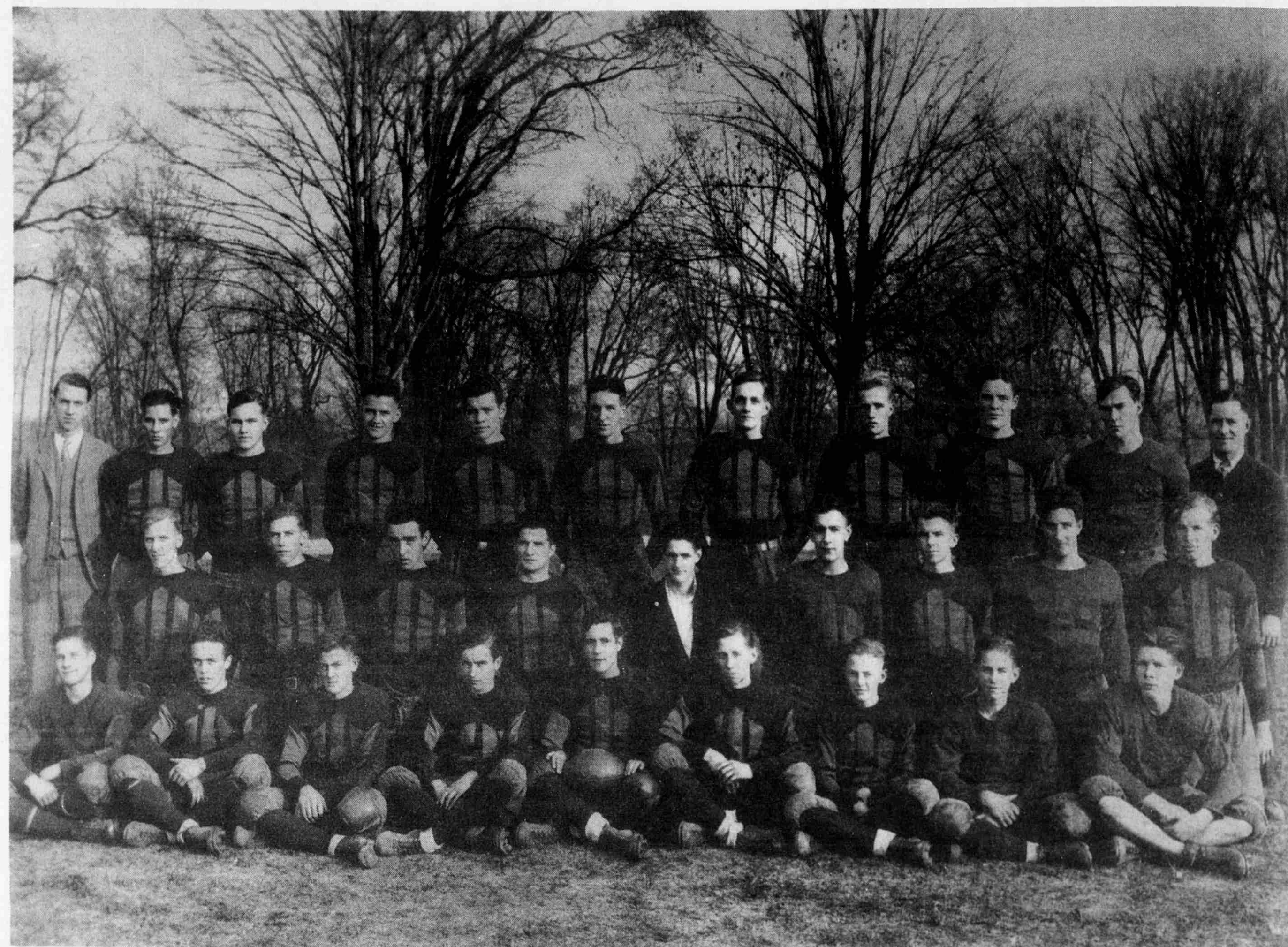
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## COLLEGE NEWS

Ferris State University's fall semester academic honors list includes 1,098 students, university officials have announced.

Among the honored students were Jennifer S. Anderson, Kirby D. Carpenter and Sonnie L. North of Lowell. To be eligible, a Ferris

student must have compiled a 3.50 grade point average in at least 12 semester hours of work.

Washburn, Ada; Raymond E. Alexander, Karen S. Chapin, Tracy Hill, Alto; Shannon Denny and Dean R. Gage, Saranac.

Grand Valley State University congratulates the following individuals who graduated at the conclusion of the fall 1994 semester.

Students from this area include: Deborah V. Adams, Christine A. Beachler, Frank L. Cruttenden, Jeffrey D. Shuster, Lowell; Ann M. Calomeni, Kimberlee A. Fontaine, Lisa G. Jordan, Helitha D. Tichelaar, Jon C.

Adrian Schuster, a 1994 graduate of Lowell High School, was honored at Indiana University's Founders Day Ceremony for scholastic achievement for the fall semester 1994.

Schuster is a freshman at Indiana University in Bloomington, IN.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**CITY OF LOWELL**

**PLANNING COMMISSION**

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

The City of Lowell Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 27, 1995 at 7 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers (301 E. Main Street) to receive comments on a new Comprehensive Plan. This document gives guidance for the city providing stated goals and policies for future development.

Those interested may review the document at Lowell City Hall (301 E. Main), Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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# Nugent tandem leave mark of excellence on Lowell's FFA Chapter

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Besides sharing the same birth date, the most compelling trait which fraternal twins Kerry and Kevin Nugent share may very well be their ability in taking advantage of experiences available to them.

"They are a unique pair of twins," Lowell FFA advisor Pete Siler said. "They are both industrious, hard-working and very organized. They are also unique in that if you give them a job to do, it gets done. There's no need to check."

Kevin started out with the FFA four years ago as a quiet, somewhat reserved, freshman. He will finish his senior year representing the Lowell FFA chapter at the national level in the area of extemporaneous speaking.

The last Lowell FFA member to do so was Renee Nugent. Before that Stacy Beute and Jamie (Cook) Frain also accomplished the feat. "That is pretty select company Kevin is in," Siler said. "He wouldn't have done this (extemporaneous speaking) four years ago."

The extemporaneous

speech category requires FFA members to write a four-to five-minute speech in 30 minutes on a specific topic in one of five categories. "The information provided in the speech must be current and must be presented in a logical sequence," Siler said.

Through his involvement in FFA and his ability to take advantage of opportunities before him, Kevin has grown from his experiences as has his leadership development skills. "When I think about how many people I was competing against, I guess I am a little surprised that I won," Kevin said. "However, I work hard and put in a lot of time - so I guess winning is the reward."

His affiliation with the FFA won't stop after high school. Kevin has aspirations of filling a state office and becoming a member of the national cabinet.

In his senior year he has served as the Region 5 treasurer and chapter vice president; last year Kevin was the chapter treasurer.

While Siler has watched

Kevin's leadership skills develop, he has also seen Kerry's personality blossom. "Kerry started out polished and over the years has just become more polished in the areas of public speaking and job interviewing," Siler explains.

Evidence of that was demonstrated when Kerry won the job interview contest at the state level. "Kerry has grown tremendously over the years. Winning at the state level must really boost her confidence," Siler said.

Kerry is serving as the chapter president and the Region 5 secretary this year and served as vice president and treasurer last year.

The job interview contest has been good to Lowell over the years. A Lowell FFA member has finished first or second in the state in each of the last six to seven years.

"As the advisor I have always emphasized for members to take full advantage of their opportunities," Siler said.

Both Kevin and Kerry have done that and are proud examples for Siler to point to.



Kerry and Kevin Nugent with their well deserved FFA honors.

## LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS BOARD BRIEFS From March 13, 1995 Regular Board Meeting

**"SHARING THE VISION" STUDENT PROGRAM** - Technology Coordinator, Mark MacDonald was on hand along with several students to demonstrate computer programs that the students are learning in the classroom. Mark also reported that elementary students are using computers to type their "Young Authors" books and are using graphics to illustrate their stories.

**STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT** - Zac Cole reported that graduation is being planned for the Showboat and amphitheater on Sunday, June 4. Students will make sure the area is cleaned up and will investigate any needed repairs. School elections will be held soon for the 1995-96 school year.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS** - The board approved the payment of general fund bills in the amount of \$952,925.53 and athletic, food service trust and agency, and energy and maintenance funds in the amount of \$252,172.27. Also approved was the payment of 1990 Building and Site Funds in the amount of \$357,666.44.

**HEALTH EXPO UPDATE** - High school teachers, Marsha LaHaye and Kathy Talus, along with high school student, Amber Hesel, gave a short presentation of the Health Expo recently held at the Lowell High School. A short video showed all the different health-related activities the high school students demonstrated for Lowell 4th and 5th grade students.

**FUTURE FARMERS ASSOCIATION (FFA) CONTEST WINNERS** - Pete Siler and student members of the Lowell FFA presented trophies which were won at the State Leadership Conference. State winners were: Kerry Nugent, Job Interview; Kevin Nugent, Extemporaneous Public Speaking; and Lisa Posthumus, Green Hand Public Speaking. The Agriculture Forum Team was State Runner-up and the Demonstration Team took a Silver Award.

**UNITED NATIONS MODEL** - High School teachers, Steve Kampfschulte and Jack Ogle, along with several students, explained the different categories they participated in at the United Nations Model held at Hope College last week. Lowell students participated in eight individual categories and took 5 first places, 2 second places, and 1 third place. This was by far the most successful of any of the 10 high schools who participated from Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, and Michigan.

**PERSONNEL** - The board approved a leave of absence for Donna Robbins effective Monday, May 8, 1995 with her expected return in the fall of 1995. The board approved the employment of Jennifer Bolhuis as elementary teacher for "At Risk" students effective February 14, 1995.

**ADMINISTRATOR AND SUPERVISOR CONTRACT EXTENSIONS** - Approval was given by the board to extend the administrator and supervisor contracts for the 1995-96 school year.

**TRACTOR/MOWER BID** - The board approved the purchase of a tractor, mower, front-end loader and fertilizer spreader in the package amount not to exceed \$32,635.

**ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION RESOLUTION** - The board adopted the annual school election resolution which calls for the election to be held on Monday, June 12, 1995. The ballot language will contain two four-(4) year board seats to be voted upon.

**RECOGNITION OF THE AUDIENCE** - Joe Barnella asked Board Curriculum Committee Chairperson, Ann Mulder, questions about the curriculum. Shawn Eshragh voiced concern over the curriculum. He felt that Lowell Schools should not have a full-time curriculum director but rather should assign curriculum to a principal and a teacher (on a rotating basis). Linda Beers asked the board and community to look at where the district has come from when Lowell did not have a curriculum director. She said the curriculum process takes time, the district has come a long way, and it is important to focus on the numerous positive things happening at Lowell Area Schools.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**  
Regular Board Meeting, Monday, April 17, 1995 - 7:30 p.m.  
Administration Building (Runciman)

The Lowell Area Schools "Action Line" (897-1219) is a phone service available to anyone who has a question or wishes to leave a message for an administrator or members of the Board of Education.

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doll, LaHaye already sees it as an advantage over the previous method of using flour sack "babies." The doll is far more realistic, and requires actual interaction between it and the "parent."

Also, it's nearly impossible for a student to falsify his or her experience with the doll.

It should also be noted that due to a generous donation from a private citizen,

four new and updated dolls are being purchased for fall semester. There is also the possibility that the donation will be used to purchase strollers, car seats and such.

## In The Service

Elisha S. Craft, son of Susan Kenyon of Lowell, enlisted in the United States Air Force Delayed Enlistment Program (DEP), according to TSgt. Ronald Holcomb an Air Force recruiter.

Craft who will graduate from Lowell High School in June is scheduled for enlistment in the Regular Air Force on July 6, 1995. Upon graduation from the Air Force six-week basic training course near San Antonio, TX, his is scheduled to receive technical training in the mechanical area and be assigned to an Air Force duty station.



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**GRATTAN TOWNSHIP**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**BUDGET HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that the Grattan Township Board will hold a public hearing to answer questions, review and adopt the annual budget for the 1995/1996 fiscal year.

The meeting will be held on Monday, March 27, 1995 in the Grattan Museum, Old Belding Road at 7:00 p.m.

All interested parties are welcome.

Peggy A. Gurney  
Grattan Township Clerk



# 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 M#372 meets every Tuesday evening at the Lowell Congregational Church basement, Corner of Spring and Hudson St. Weigh-ins at 5:45 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

**EVERY FIRST WEDNESDAY:** Lowell Area Jaycees meet at 7 p.m. at Lowell Burger King. 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 par-

ent. 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.

**TUES., MARCH 28:** 6:30 p.m. at the Look Memorial Fire Station, (note changes in day and place). Annual meeting of Fallsburg Historical Society. Potluck dinner; bring table service and a dish to pass; beverages will be provided. Election of trustees. Program: Reverend Vance Dimmick of the First United Methodist Church of Lowell will speak on "Circuit Riders: Preachers of the Frontier." Visitors 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.

**WED., MARCH 22:** The Lowell Middle School eighth-grade drama class will present "Aladdin" under the direction of Cheryl Blodgett. Come and enjoy this free evening of entertainment in the new Lowell Middle School cafeteria at 750 Foreman. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m.

**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.

**TUES., APRIL 4:** Grattan Township Historical Society meets at 7 p.m. at Grattan Museum, 11673 Old Belding Road. Speaker: Ann Koeze, "Activities of Michigan Historical Commission." Guests are welcome. After the business meeting refreshments will be served during a social hour.

**SUN., MARCH 26:** The Symphony Sidekicks, a choral group comprised of members of the Grand Rapids Symphonic Chorus, will present a concert at First Congregational Church of Lowell at 6 p.m. There is no admission charge; however, a free-will offering will be taken. Child care will be provided. The church is located at 404 N. Hudson St. in Lowell.

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**WED., MARCH 29:** Spring break band jam at 7 p.m. in the new high school auditorium. Tickets \$3 in advance; \$4 at the door. Half of the proceeds go to school auditorium.

**THURS., APRIL 6:** Vergennes Co-Operative Club meets at Schneider Manor at 1 p.m. Program will be Easter Eggs-Travaganza. Answer roll-call with a favorite household tip. Please bring one box item for Access 6. Hostesses: Aileen McCabe, Elva Watson and Dorothy Byrne. Schneider Manor Sponsor, Pauline Burtle.

**WED., APRIL 12:** Snow United Methodist Church at 3189 Snow Avenue S.E. will serve a family-style turkey and dressing dinner commencing at 5:15 p.m.

**APRIL 27, 28 & 29:** Cyclamen Chapter is accepting sellable items for their second best sale. Items can be dropped off at the Masonic Hall on Wednesdays during March between 1:30 and 3 p.m. or call Sandy Caswell 868-7467.

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

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**THURS., MARCH 30:** Commodities will be distributed between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. at the Lowell Moose Recreational Building, 210 E. Main.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 1:** Masonic Lodge #90 will be sponsoring a fish fry from 5 to 7 p.m. Adults, \$6.50; Children, 6-10, \$4 and under 6, free. The fish fry will be held at Masonic Temple, 112 Lincoln Lake Rd., Lowell.

**TUES., APRIL 4:** Grattan Township Historical Society meets at 7 p.m. at Grattan Museum, 11673 Old Belding Road. Speaker: Ann Koeze, "Activities of Michigan Historical Commission." Guests are welcome. After the business meeting refreshments will be served during a social hour.

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**LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR**  
897-5949  
**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

**MON.:** 8:30 a.m. Walking assistance.

**TUES.:** 8:30 a.m. Walking.

**WED.:** 12:45 p.m. Shopping assistance.

**THURS.:** 9:00 a.m. Walk and shop; 9:30 a.m. Bingo; 1 p.m. Euchre.

**FRI.:** 8:30 a.m. Walking.

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**THURS., MARCH 23:** 12:30 p.m. Shopping Daane's.

**SAT., MARCH 25:** 1:15 Make noon meal reservations 3 working days in advance.

**EVERY FIRST WEDNESDAY:** 8 a.m. Women's breakfast.

# THE CLASSIFIEDS

## HELP WANTED

**IMMEDIATE OPENINGS - General office skills needed, call Thibaudeau 245-2505. No fees.**

**FULL-TIME/PART TIME RESTORATION POSITION OPEN - Anderson Brothers Steamatic. Apply at 4900 E. Fulton, 7:30 to 5, Mon. - Fri.**

**MILITARY VETERANS ALL BRANCHES! - Michigan National Guard needs you part-time for, engineering, mechanics, drivers & infantry! Call 616-534-6030 or 616-754-7255.**

**FACTORY POSITIONS AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY - no experience necessary. 1st, 2nd & 3rd shifts, permanent possibilities. Call 245-2505 Thibaudeau. No fees.**

**CNA'S - Do you enjoy working with the elderly? Lowell Medical Care Center is currently seeking certified nurse aides to provide quality care to our residents. Starting wage \$6.50 per hour. Please apply at 350 N. Center, Lowell.**

**LAWN MOWING & LANDSCAPE INSTALLATION - Full or part-time, immediate openings, experience preferred, salary negotiable, call 942-9591, Hilbrands Landscape Management.**

**NURSE AIDES - Lowell Medical Care Center is seeking caring individuals to assist in providing quality care to our residents. Nurse aide classes begin March 27. Potential wage earnings of \$7.00. Apply at Lowell Medical Care Center. Interviews held Monday thru Thursday, 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

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**FOR SALE - 1983 Chevy Caprice wagon, 87,000 miles, good condition, \$750. Call 868-0327.**

**FOR SALE - Golf club set, 8 irons 3-9 + W, 3 woods 1 3 5, \$65. Call 897-7532.**

**FOR SALE - Washer & electric dryer, \$75 each, white, both work well. Call 897-3047.**

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**JOIN THE TEAM - at Grand Rapids' premiere family restaurant, Finley's. We offer health insurance, 401K, paid vacation, competitive wages, accepting applications for all positions. Apply in person at Finley's, 4095 Plainfield, Grand Rapids, MI.**

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**RN'S NEEDED FOR HOME HEALTH AGENCY - Helping Hands home nursing is looking for registered nurses, who are experienced in home nursing &/or Hospice. Salary is equivalent to experience in the field. We are looking for RN's in specific geographical areas, (Saranac, Lowell, to Ada.) Please apply or send resume to our new facility, located at 545 Apple Tree Dr., Ionia, MI. For more information call 616-527-1500.**

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**LAND FOR SALE - Ada, 6 1/2 acres, wooded, small spring, wildlife. Between Ada & Lowell. Call 530-9372 or 698-7453.**

**FOR SALE - Yamaha student flute, (YFL2255), used 3 years, excellent condition, purchased from Christian Music Center. Call 676-1765 after 7 p.m.**

**RURAL ACRES PLAT - For sale - under construction, 3 bedroom ranch with full walkout lower level, 1/2 of which has area, 14x65 with 12 ft. high ceiling. 3 bedrooms, living room, beautiful large kitchen, dining room, family room with fireplace, 2 car garage, covered front porch, 24' balcony. Parcel "A" 6.89 acres with house overlooking beautiful pond. Lowell Schools, 12 miles to 28th St. & I-96 to M-50 (Alden Nash Hwy.) South 2-1/2 miles to rural acres plat. We also have: parcel "B" 10.02 acres, parcel "C" 17.08 acres, Parcel "D" 10.01 acres. These three parcels can be bought with 11% contract with 20% down with a 3-year balloon. Call Phil Bishop 616-367-4900. Evenings after 6 p.m.**

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**ROOM FOR RENT - Please call after 7 p.m. 897-0964.**

## WANTED

**WANTED - Place to store/park Honda Civic, part car. Call 897-3123.**

## Thank You

**CARD OF THANKS - A very special thank you to the many friends in Lowell who sent cards or stopped by the hospital during my stay. Your support has meant a great deal to us. Thank you for being so thoughtful. Mike Ketchum and family.**

**WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK - all our friends and relatives who sent cards and gave donations in memory of Lyle Covert. We would also like to thank Pastor McGee and the ladies of the Alton Bible Church, Hospice and Visiting Nurses for all their help in our time of need. Many Thanks, Peg, Peggy, Bill & Emma**

## EVENTS

**ROLL AWAY RINK SUNDAY SKATING SPECIAL March & April. Free skating rental; only \$3.50 per person 1-3:30 pm.**

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Every Saturday Night 4:00 P.M.  
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## Students give and take as representatives on county health board

By Marc Popiolek  
Contributing Writer

Two Lowell High School students have been given the opportunity to learn more about the Kent County Community Health Board and still lend a younger perspective to its ideas and programs.

Emily VanStrien and Cara Thaler recently were appointed to the health board and both plan to make the most of their opportunity.

"I'm interested in becoming a psychologist and this gave me a chance to learn more about that profession," said Thaler, a 16-year-old junior. "I've always helped my friends with their problems and that's helped me get interested in this type of career."

VanStrien, a 16-year-old junior, doesn't share in Thaler's desire to become a psychologist, but said mental health issues have always been interesting to her.

"I haven't asked many questions yet, but once I understand the issues and how the board works I plan to get involved," said VanStrien. "This was a great opportunity to do something I couldn't normally do."

Both girls said applying for the mental health board was their first choice and they are looking forward to giving their thoughts on programs and issues.

"Grown-ups tend to look at things differently. I hope to lend a younger perspective to the meetings," said VanStrien.

Besides offering her opinions on issues, Thaler hopes to learn more about the career field she is bound for.

"I want to know what's going on out there and what we're doing. This is a good springboard for my college education," said Thaler.

Neither Thaler nor VanStrien have a college at this point, but agree the board experience will help them when that time comes.

## "Rumors" about town



Members of the cast of "Rumors" are, left to right: Josie Inbody, Austin Hardy, Adam Hernandez, Emily VanStrien, Ben Boggs, Lisa VanStrien, Andrea Bryant, Elizabeth Zeeuw, Josh Speerstra, Heather Young and Nick Staal. The LHS drama class will present "Rumors" Friday and Saturday March 24 and 25. The curtain opens at 8 p.m. The matinee on Saturday starts at 2 p.m.

## Township develops leads in the March 10 vandalism incident

By Marc Popiolek  
Contributing Writer

The Lowell Charter Township Board hopes to enlist the service of residents near Eastgate to help track vandals who damaged a township pump station on March 10.

Township supervisor John Timpson said the township has a lead on who may have caused the damage, but still needs more information

before further pursuing the matter.

"One nearby resident recognized one of the vandals as a neighborhood kid, but we still need more information," said Timpson.

Vandals used a steel fence post to break a ventilation grate to gain entrance to the pump station. Upon entering, the vandals "knocked out" gauges and switches which the township was in the process of selling.

Timpson said a switch valued at \$250 and a pump control worth \$750 were the biggest losses from the incident.

Timpson was directed by the township board to further pursue the matter.

"We can't let them get away with this. If we don't pursue the matter, they may think they can do more," said township board trustee Herb VanderBilt.

According to Timpson, the vandals were lucky the electricity was shut off in the station.

"Since it wasn't being used, the electricity was shut off and nobody was electrocuted, which could have been a real danger considering they used a steel post to damage the equipment," said Timpson.

The township encourages anybody with information on the incident to contact the township hall at 897-7600.

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The measure of success is not whether you have a tough problem to deal with, but whether it's the same problem you had last year.

—John Foster Dulles



Week Of Mar. 27, 1995  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MONDAY: Cheeseburger in a bun, oven fries, fresh or canned fruit, milk.

TUESDAY: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes and gravy, dinner roll with peanut butter, fruit or gelatin, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Baked macaroni and cheese, California blend vegetables, sweet roll, assorted fruit, milk.

THURSDAY: Lowell Red Arrow Sub sandwich, homemade vegetable soup, cookie bar, assorted fruit, milk.

FRIDAY: FIRST DAY OF SPRING BREAK!

HIGH SCHOOL & MIDDLE SCHOOL

MONDAY: Cheeseburger in a bun or chicken patty in a bun or Cook's choice or chef salad with bread. Choose Two: Oven fries, vegetable, side salad, fresh or canned fruit, milk.

TUESDAY: Chicken nuggets or pork chop patty or chef salad. Choose Two: Mashed potatoes or rice and gravy, side salad, green beans, dinner roll with peanut butter, fruit or gelatin, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Baked macaroni and cheese or turkey dipper nuggets or chef salad. Choose Two: California blend, side salad, carrot sticks, sweet roll, assorted fruit, milk.

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## VERGENNES TOWNSHIP NOTICE

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Copies of the proposed budgets are available to the public for inspection during office hours at the Township Hall.

Mari Stone, Clerk  
Vergennes Township

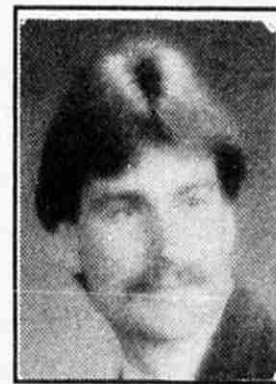
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## Area Birth

Jeff and Heather Bean are proud to announce the birth of their son, Austin James, born March 15, 1995 at Metropolitan Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. 8 oz. and measured 19 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Juan and Susan Posada and Lynn and Barb Wittenbach.

Great-grandparents are Maynard and Mable Barton and Eugene and Edna Rash.

Uncles are Juan Jr. and Jose Posada and aunt is Phyllis Wittenbach, all of Lowell.