

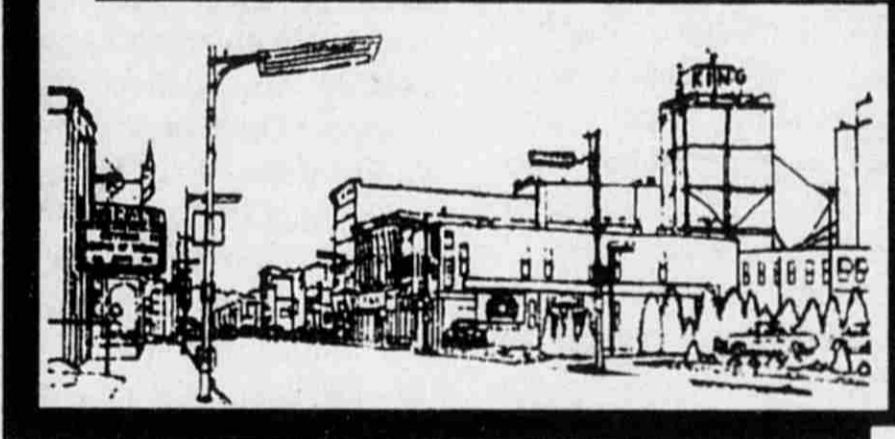
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Along Main Street



GRADUATION TO BE SHOWN ON LCTV

Lowell High School's 1995 graduation will be shown on LCTV Channel 2 on the following dates: Wednesday, June 7 at 2 and 7 p.m.; Thursday, June 8 at noon and 7 p.m.; Friday, June 9 at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Saturday, June 10, 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. and Sunday, June 11 at 7 p.m.

LAAC WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

The Lowell Area Arts Council's annual white elephant garage sale will be held June 15, 16 and 17. This year the sale will be held inside the arts center. Donated items may be dropped off there June 5 through 9 from 1:30 to 5 p.m. Please no clothing or large furniture.

To volunteer your time or make other arrangements for dropping off articles, phone Denise, 897-9678.

PARTY IN THE PARK

"Party in the Park" featuring the Stoney Creek Band, 70's and 80's rock music will be held June 16 from 6 to 9:30 p.m. at Creekside Park on Gee Drive. Free admission, food concession available. This is a family event sponsored by the Lowell Area Jaycees.

CREEKSIDE KINGDOM PLAYGROUND REUNION

Remember the fun and friends of "Build" week? Sanding and sealing of the playground will be held June 17 and 18. For Main St., cont'd. pg. 8

Cascade/Alden Nash accident leaves Grosse Pointe woman in serious condition

By Thad Kraus
 Lowell Ledger Editor

Marie Welniak, Lowell, has often heard the familiar sounds of brakes locking up, followed by the crunching sound of two vehicles colliding from her home (corner of Alden Nash and Cascade).

Those familiar sounds revisited her home Wednesday (May 31).

"I heard the semi's brakes lock up, the sound of the collision and then I saw a puff of smoke and a car leave the road and go off into the cornfield," Welniak said. "Accidents happen all the time at this intersection."

Wednesday's accident involved a vehicle driven by a Grosse Pointe Farms resident and a Town Air Freight semi.

Joyce Osborn, 62, Grosse Pointe Farms, was northbound on Alden Nash when she turned west onto Cascade Road in front of a Town Air Freight semi driven by Kris Sova. He applied his brakes but could not avoid a collision.

Kelley Scott, Middleville, was a couple of cars back when he saw Osborn pull out in front of the semi. "I saw her pull out in front of him and



Rescue and ambulance workers needed approximately 40 minutes to safely remove and transport Joyce Osborn.

then I saw a puff of smoke - like the anti-freeze blew."

Sova was not injured. Osborn was transported to Butterworth Hospital via AeroMed. She was listed in serious condition with head and chest injuries.

Siciliano, former director of public works, dies suddenly in Florida

By Thad Kraus
 Lowell Ledger Editor

Working 28 years for one employer may lead one to believe Tone Siciliano was a company man.

Family, friends and fellow employees know that wasn't true with Siciliano - he was a true city (Lowell) man.

Siciliano, 67, died unexpectedly Saturday while vacationing in Ocala, FL.

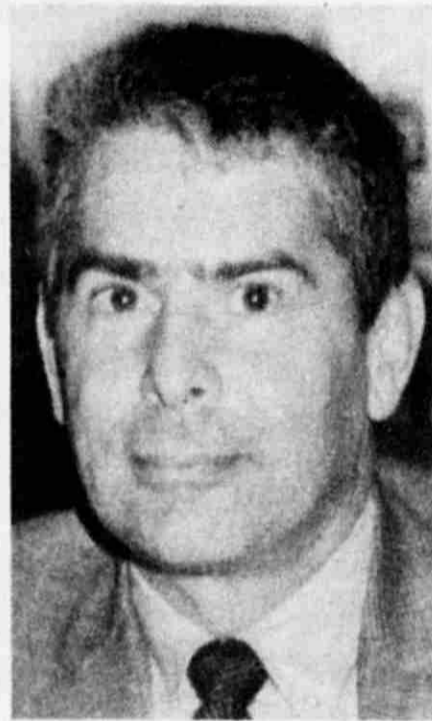
"Tone was a real good community guy," said long-time friend Jim Hall. "He always put the city of Lowell first."

Siciliano was a city employee for 28 years. He had planned to retire at the end of the year.

He started working for the city of Lowell in 1967 at the sewage treatment plant. In 1973 he was named director of the Department of Public Works. Siciliano held that position until August of 1993.

Bob Stewart, who worked for the city of Lowell for 45 years, remembered Siciliano, the fellow worker and friend. "I couldn't have had a better guy to work with. He was a good worker, a good friend and as honest as the day was long."

In 1975 Siciliano served as acting city manager between Blaine Bacon and Ray Quada.



Antanino A. (Tone) Siciliano

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Two candidates challenge incumbents in June 12 school board election

... At stake in the election are two four-year terms.

By Thad Kraus
 Lowell Ledger Editor

Two four-year term seats on the Lowell School Board will be at stake on Monday June 12.

The two seats up for election are those of incumbents Ann Mulder and Jack Lane.

Mulder completed the final year of a four-year term won by Charlie Kohler, who was unable to complete his term. Mulder earned the opportunity by winning the one-year term in the '94 election. She garnered over 830 votes in that election - the most by any candidate.

Lane, school board vice president, is completing his second four-year term.

Challenging the incumbents will be Joe Barnella and write-in candidate Marv Hasso.

The polls will open at 7 a.m. on June 12 and close at 8 p.m. People in the city of Lowell can vote at the administration building 300 High St. (Precinct I), Bowne Township Hall (Precinct II) and Vergennes Township Hall (Precinct III).

In 1994, along with the one-year term, there were two four-year seats up for election. In that election only 1,592 of the 12,300 registered voters voted or 13 percent.

Joe Barnella has been a Lowell resident for the past 16 years. He is a Bay City Central graduate and attended DeVry Tech in Chicago.

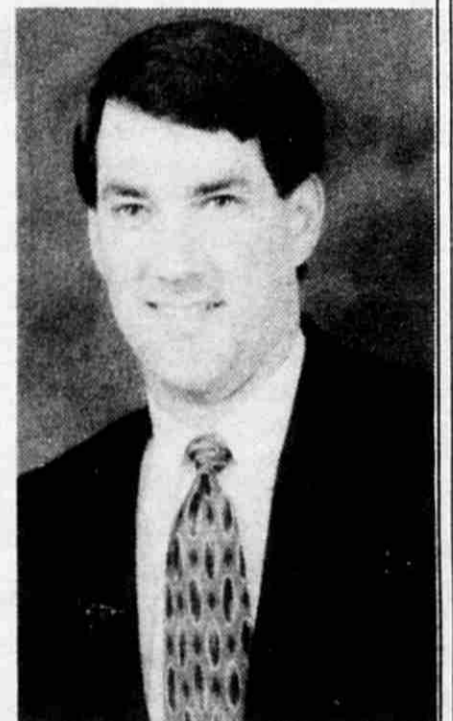
Currently he owns and operates West Michigan Computer Systems.

He is running for a seat on the board because he hasn't seen much change in the board. He also believes he can add balance.

"I believe there needs to be more responsibility to fiscal management and planning," Barnella said. "The school board needs to be more fiscally oriented and responsible to the community."

Barnella would like to see a healthier fund equity and a focus on getting back to the basics and making education the number one priority.

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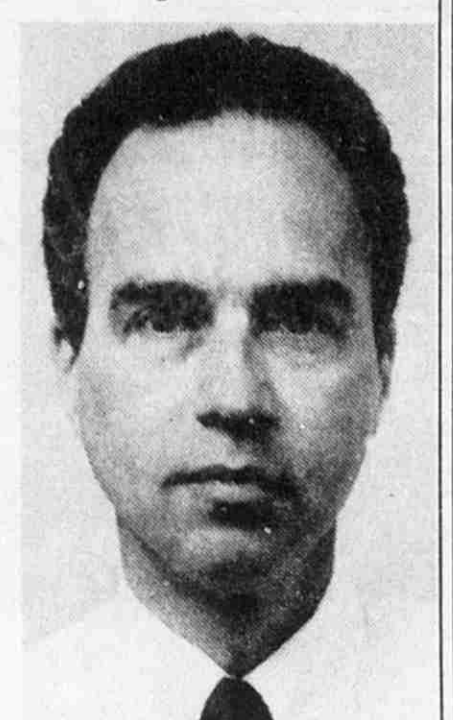
Marv Hasso



Ann Mulder



Jack Lane



Joe Barnella

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Graduation, cont'd...From Page 9



Nate Livingston, far right and Anastasia Luyk, far left, (co-valedictorians) and Dustin VanStee (salutatorian), middle, addressed their class Sunday.



Krista Posthumus, class president, addresses the Class of 1995.



Lesley Murphy makes her way to the front of the Showboat Amphitheater to receive her diploma.

The after-effect of an insight depends on temperament.
—Friedrich Nietzsche

Nay Sayers Win!

Kissing Rock survey reveals more opponents than proponents

By Marc Popiolek
Contributing Writer

It may not have been the most democratic method, but residents against the repaving of Kissing Rock Avenue are happy with the results.

The Lowell Charter Township Board has decided against repaving Kissing Rock after its survey revealed that more residents were opposed to the plan than those who favored it.

The results of the survey showed that 17 residents, out of a possible 44, voted against the paving. Nineteen ballots were returned with "yes" votes and another four were not returned at all, which counted as being in favor of the project. Four people didn't

receive the ballots at all. "The repaving of Kissing Rock is a dead issue now," said Lowell Charter Township Clerk Carol Wells.

The Kent County Road Commission had planned on paving over 4,000 feet of the road in order to alleviate blind spots, but slowed its decision because a petition against the project was circulated.

However, the petition was not backed up by all of the residents in the area. Many Kissing Rock residents wanted the road work completed because they believed it would make the road safer.

In order to find a solution to the problem, township supervisor John Timpson said a survey would be taken to determine the result.

"If two thirds vote against the project, then we will drop it, but if the majority approves it, then we'll proceed," said Timpson at earlier meetings.

Some residents had hoped the township would change the voting procedure to a ma-

jority decision rather than a two-thirds decision, but not even that would have prevented the project from being canceled.

The township board will formally vote on the action at its June 19 meeting.

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Brittney Powell portrays a store clerk and Jason Lewis plays a young ski instructor who are volunteer members of a California rescue team in *High Sierra Search and Rescue*. The series premieres Sunday before moving to its regular time slot Wednesday on NBC.

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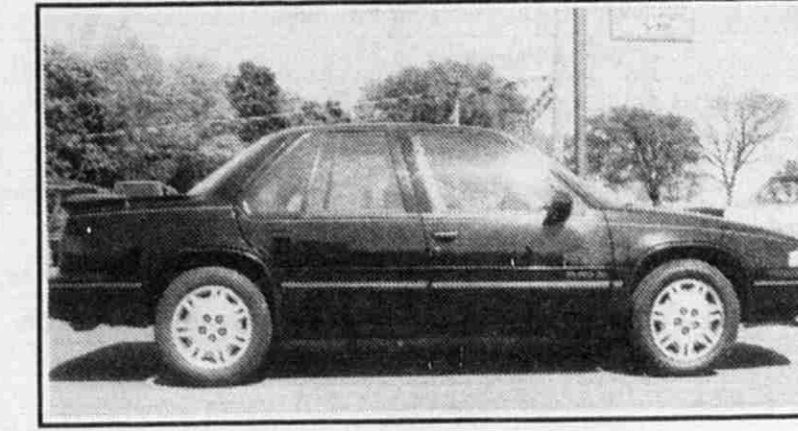
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LMS students-of-the month

Lowell Middle School May Students-of-the-Month are, front row, left to right: Cherie Gillman, seventh-grade; Dan Rottier, seventh-grade; Annie Zalokar, seventh-grade; Suzanne Swift, sixth-grade and Karrie Akers, sixth-grade; Back row, left to right: Jenny Sherman, eighth-grade; Virginia Bultema, sixth-grade; Jolynn Stalsonburg, sixth-grade; Melinda McIver, eighth-grade; Rachel Rice, seventh-grade; Kara Tousley, seventh-grade; Jill Sherman, eighth-grade and Shelly Hyzer, eighth-grade.

Lowell YMCA director Andy Johnson honored at conference

Andy Johnson and Julie Riewald were recently honored by their peers during the YMCA spring conference of the APD (Association of Professional Directors) Chapter 33. Chapter 33 president Mary Beth Ormiston presented the awards on May 12.

Julie Riewald, program director at the Southeast YMCA, won the Rookie of the Year award. Riewald's outstanding job with the youth sports program and her winning attitude were the reasons

for her selection. She has expanded the youth sports program at the Southeast YMCA serving record numbers of children. The APD is a professional association for YMCA directors to help them further develop their skills and leadership abilities.



Pictured from left to right: Julie Riewald, Mary Beth Ormiston and Andy Johnson.

Lowell's Steven Koning wins MADD poster/essay contest



Mothers Against Drunk Driving held their 1995 poster/essay contest. And on May 17, Amy Callaway, MADD, Kent County Charter, was in Lowell to award the first-place poster, grades 1-3, to Steven Koning, a third-grader at Cherry Creek Elementary.

He received an award certificate and \$30 for his creative work.

The poster has been forwarded to the state competition. This year's theme is "Take a Drive on the Safe Side - Steer Clear of Alcohol." Koning designed a poster with a bull driving a convertible through a dangerous obstacle course of alcohol cans, and making the right decision.

Steven Koning, MADD poster contest winner, "Take A Drive on the Safe Side - Steer Clear of Alcohol."

LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT

known address was 350 N. CENTER, LOWELL, MICHIGAN 49331, died March 16, 1995. An instrument dated January 16, 1991 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, JAMES S. PETERSON, 12605 - 60TH STREET, ALTO, MICHIGAN 49302 or to both the independent personal representative and the Kent County Probate

Court, 320 Ottawa, NW, 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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BOWES RD. APT. H2, LOWELL, MICHIGAN, 49331, died May 11, 1995. An instrument dated October 13, 1986 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 co-independent personal representatives, SHARON JONES and LINDA ZINKE, 3230 SEGWUN & 11440 FOREMAN RD., respectively, LOWELL, MICHIGAN 49331, or to both the independent personal represen-

tative and the Kent County Probate Court, 320 Ottawa, NW, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice.

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STUART S.E., GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN 49508, died April 21, 1995. An instrument dated January 31, 1990 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, JANICE KAY HANSON, 11310 - 36TH STREET, LOWELL, MICHIGAN 49331, or to both the independent personal representative and the Kent County

Probate Court, 320 Ottawa, NW, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice.

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ESTATE OF EFFIE VINK DECEASED SSN: 366-18-4216

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Cherry Creek students make good choices

In an effort to help promote Lowell Schools and Together Lowell Cares, the TLC organization sponsored a health poster contest involving Cherry Creek Elementary. Winners were Melissa Neubecker, Christine LaFave, Christopher Gallagher and Alan Hasso.

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Acheson gains all-state honors with third place finishes in the discus and shot put

••• Red Arrow girls take fourth and fifth in 400- and 800-meter relays.

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Nobody in the regional or state meets threw the discus like Lowell's Ron Acheson.

They all used the standard spintech. Conventional wisdom identifies this as the superior technique.

Unless, of course, you can't master the technique. Then, the power position throw from the front of the circle is the technique of choice.

Acheson took his uncon-

ventional style and a new discus with him to Midland Saturday for the Class B Michigan High School Track and Field State Championships.

The Lowell senior made it into the finals of Saturday's competition with a throw of 142 feet. That was good enough to seed him third going into the finals.

"Actually Ron's style gave him an advantage in the qualifying round because it was wet," Lowell track coach Keith Boeve said.

With 142 feet still his best throw of the day, Acheson took his third and final throw. The senior came through with a throw of 150-6, vaulting him into third place and garnering him all-state honors in the discus.

Earlier in the day on Acheson's second to last throw in the shot put, the senior came through with a distance of 51-73/4, earning him his first of two third-place finishes and all-state honors.

"Ron handled the pressure of the state competition very well," Boeve said. "I'm happy for him. He's had such a nice four years at Lowell. Not only that but he's a nice kid who has a lot of class."

"I wanted to place in the top four in both events," Acheson said. "It would have been nice to get another foot in the discus and take second, but I'm happy with how I did."

Acheson will be attending the University of Michigan in the fall on a football scholarship.



Ron Acheson lets go with one of his three final discus throws.

Lowell tied for 15th overall with 12 points. Comstock won the Class B state championship with 70 points.

In the shot put Timothy Moore, Onsted, was the champion with a distance of 54-4. Corey Smith, Muskegon Heights, was second with a throw of 52-5 1/4.

In the discus Pete Owen, Bloomfield Hills, won the event at 160-5. Smith was second in 151-5.

The Lowell girls track team tied with East Grand Rapids

for 24th place with nine points.

The Red Arrow 800-meter relay team of Courtney Arnett, Kortney Gowen, Lesley Murphy and Dawn Burrows placed fifth with a time of 1:48.46. Tecumseh won the relay in a time of 1:46.88.

Lowell's 400-meter relay team of Jenny Jansma, Tammy Eteo, Arnett and Burrows placed fourth. They stopped the clock at 51:37. Cheboygan won the relay in 51:11.

Red Arrow girls fall short in district softball championship against Caledonia

By Marc Popielek
Contributing Writer

The Lowell girls softball team may have ended the regular season with a disappointing record, but its year long effort is one to applaud.

Nothing mirrored the season as much as the district's championship where the lady Red Arrows showed what they are made of before bowing out in the second round.

In game one of the district games, held in Lowell, the lady Red Arrows used timely hitting and solid defense to send the Ionia Bulldogs packing 8-6.

After falling behind 1-0 in the first inning, the lady Red Arrows put together a seven-run second inning and never looked back.

Tracy Loughlin and Lisa Murphy highlighted the inning by driving two runs a piece. Loughlin finished the game 3-3 with a single, double and three RBIs.

Murphy collected three singles and two RBIs and was able to pitch a complete game for the win.

"That was the best pitching effort Lisa gave us all year," said Lowell softball coach Kelly Drake. "We've played games like this all year, only this time we were able to hold on for the victory."

Leading 7-2 entering the fourth inning, Lowell displayed tough defense in recording three force outs at third base in the inning.

"Being from Lowell I didn't think the plays were as close as the opposing coach, but I could understand his questioning the calls," said Drake.

Caledonia 10 Lowell 2
On the heels of a confidence building win, the lady Red Arrows entered the semifinals of the districts in hopes of walking away with the title, but Caledonia had other thoughts.

Lowell started the game in the same fashion it ended the first game - with Tammy Stauffer lacing a double and Lowell scoring in the first, but by the third and fourth innings, Caledonia started to put the game away.

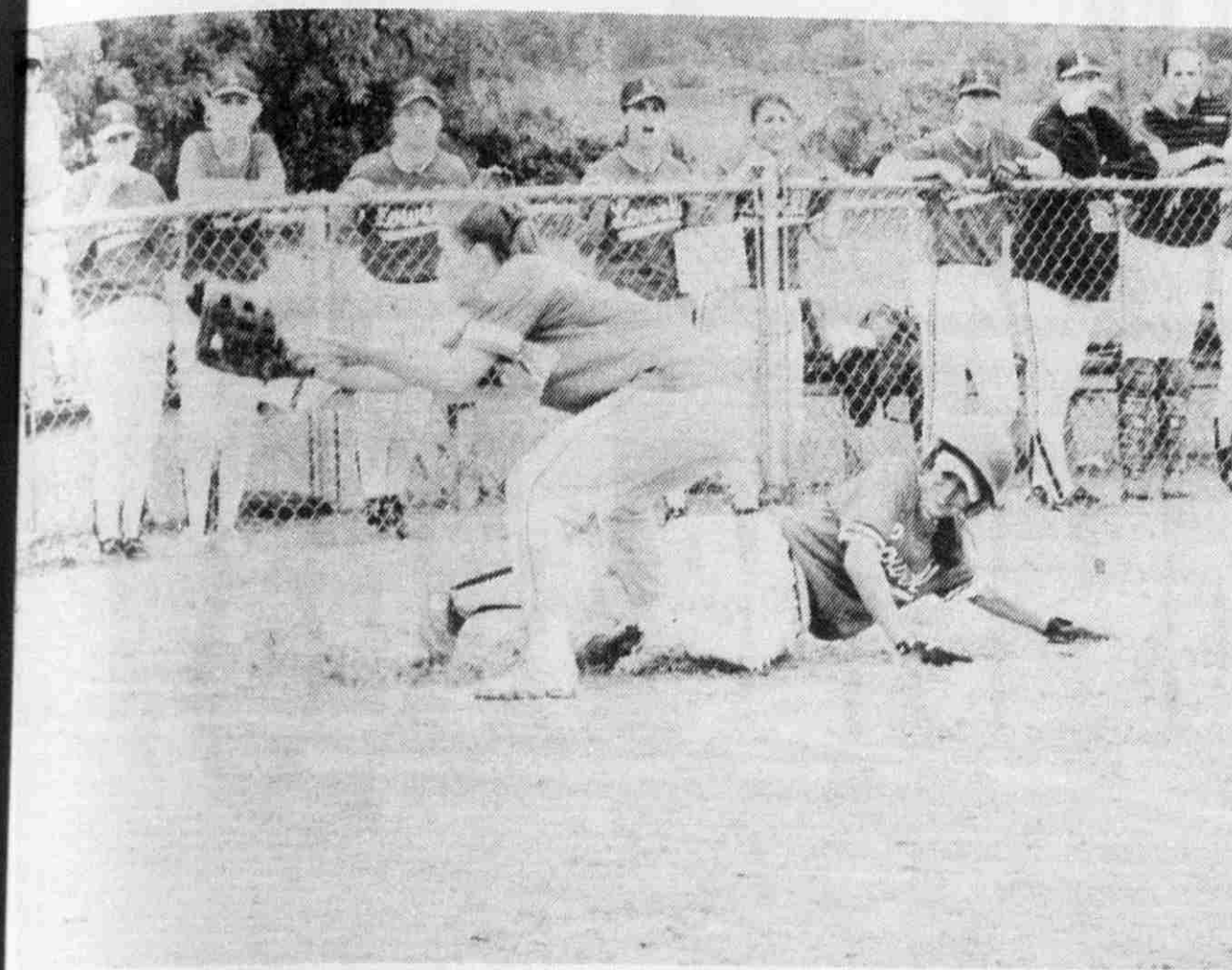
"We had a tough season, but after the first inning I thought we had a chance to win the districts. Unfortunately Lisa tired and our defense let down," said Drake.

After giving up three runs in the third inning, Murphy was replaced by Jenny Miller in the fourth, but Caledonia was able to get to her right away.

The Fighting Scots scored four more runs in the fourth and were able to shut out Lowell the rest of the way to win the game 10-2.

"They scored one run on

Love seems the swiftest, but it is the slowest of all growths. No man or woman really knows what perfect love is until they have been married a quarter of a century.
—Mark Twain



In the district opener, the close call at the plate favored the Red Arrows.



In a bang bang play at third base, Lowell got the Bulldog.

Fighting Scots rally to edge Lowell in district baseball final

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Just like it was intended, the best game of the Class B District at Bancroft Field was saved for the championship.

One more hit... one less error... one less base on ball and the script could have read Lowell "1995 District Champions."

As it was, Caledonia rallied for an exciting 6-5 district

championship win over Lowell Saturday afternoon.

Twice, the Fighting Scots rallied from deficits to catch and eventually surpass the Red Arrows.

The winning rally came in a two-run sixth inning. Caledonia's Jim Abbot started the inning with a single. Matt Barr singled him to third. Later Barr would move up to second. Matt Neely then came

through with a game-winning two-run single.

"You've got to give Caledonia credit, they come through when the opportunity presents itself," Lowell coach Kris Kropf said. "They were one hit better than us today."

Lowell jumped out to a 4-0 lead by scoring two runs in the first and second innings.

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Jamie Compton celebrates his solo home run in district play against Ionia.

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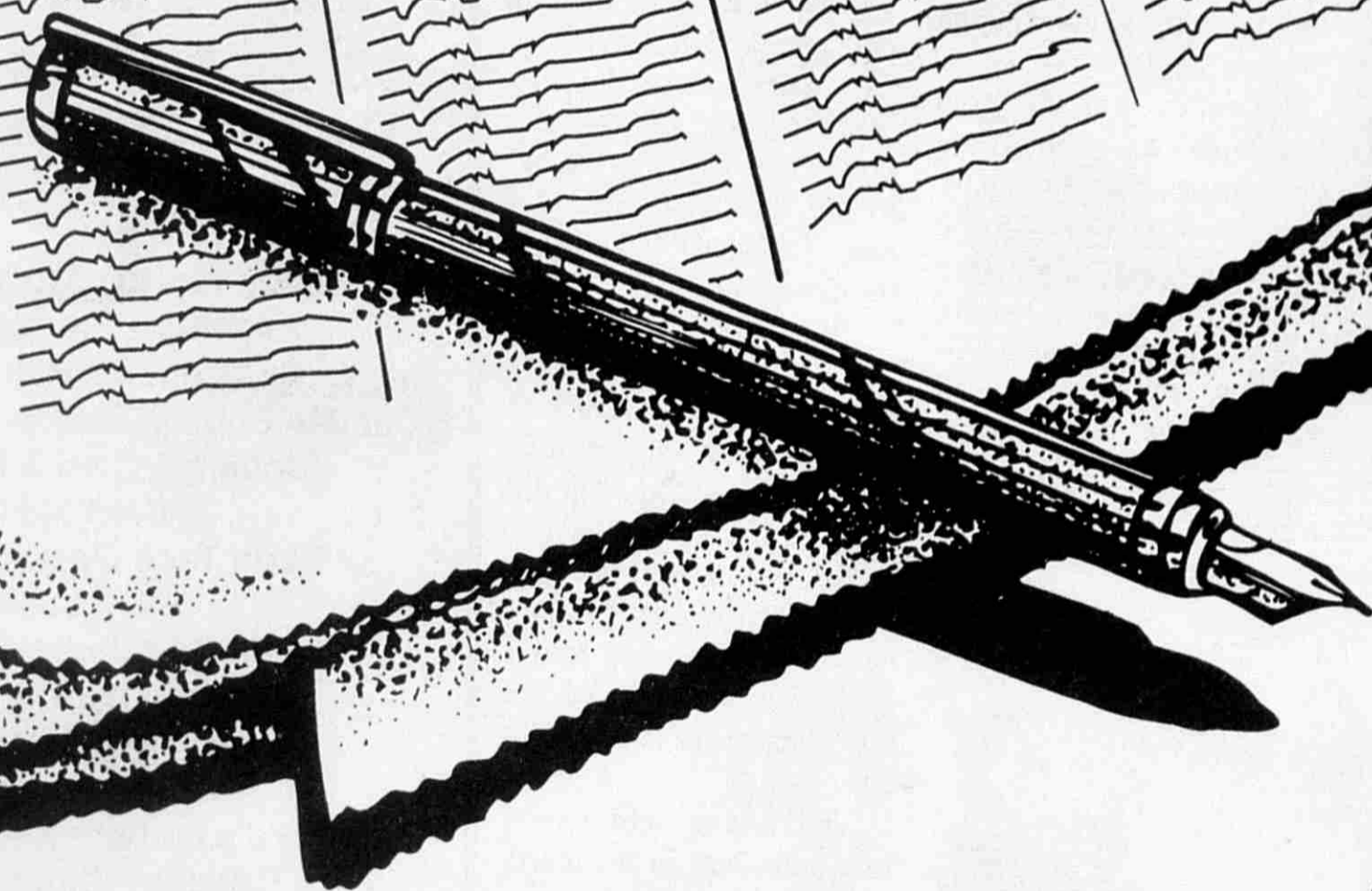
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Gowen leaves Lowell with duffle bag full of varsity letters

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

When Kortney Gowen pulled a muscle in a relay event against Ionia in the season's first track meet, it set the senior back, but only in time. Her mental makeup would not allow for any pouting or anger. "That's not me. It's not my style," Gowen said. The senior had practiced in the spring and gotten herself ready for the start of her fourth and final track season at Lowell. "I was ready and I was in shape," Gowen said. "Then I got injured. It was disappointing because it was my last year and my last sport at Lowell High School and I was watching instead of running."

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In the Red Arrow first, Brad Holtz led off with a double. Paul Pelon walked. On a double steal, Holtz was gunned down at third by Caledonia catcher Clarence Fuller. Jamie Compton and Aron Kennedy were hit by pitches to load the bases. A fielder's choice off the bat of Jarred Sper scored Pelon and an overthrow at third allowed Compton to score. In the second inning, Brian Willmarth got things started with a single. Brian Wierenga followed with a single, putting Red Arrow runners on the corners. Willmarth came on a sacrifice fly from Holtz, and Wierenga later scored on a wild pitch. A three-run homer by Fuller highlighted a four-run Caledonia third inning. With the score tied at 4-4, Holtz singled to start the fourth inning and later scored on a sacrifice fly by Kennedy. "We've had a lot of highs and lows this season. However, the down moments were wiped away by the effort the boys gave today," Kropf said. "This was the hardest fought 14 innings of baseball I've witnessed. It was just a tremendous team effort."

Lowell advanced to the district final with a 16-8 win over Ionia. The Red Arrows broke open a tie game (6-6) in the fifth as they erupted for six runs. Jack Livingston reached base with two outs when he was hit by a pitch. Willmarth reached on an infield single. Wierenga came through with an RBI single, scoring Livingston. Two Ionia errors, a walk and a two-run single by Compton, and an RBI single by Kennedy built Lowell's lead to 12-6. Doubles were wild in a four-run Lowell sixth inning. Recording doubles in the inning were Willmarth, Wierenga, Scott Smith and Compton. "A key hit for us in the game came in the first inning," Kropf said. "Livingston came through with a two-out RBI single to tie the game at 3-3."

Compton had a big day at the plate as he had three hits (including a mammoth solo home run in the third inning), three runs batted in, and he scored two runs. Wierenga had two hits, two runs and knocked in two runs. Scott Smith had two runs, two hits and an RBI. Holtz scored three runs and had two stolen bases. "After we took the lead 7-0 in the fifth inning, I think Ionia may have gotten a bit rattled," Kropf said. "Our boys

The youngest Gowen learned from her sister Heather. "She did a lot of cheering," Kortney said.

Despite an injury that kept her out until the last three weeks of the season, the senior was still a key leg in the Red Arrows' 400- and 800-meter relay teams qualifying for the state meet.

Gowen's pulled muscle may not seem that significant until one stops and considers she is an athlete who's been competing at the varsity level since stepping into high school. Gowen has received a varsity letter in 11 of the 12 athletic seasons during her four years at LHS. This was not an athlete who spent a lot of time watching.

The only sport she failed to receive a varsity letter in was as a freshman basketball player.



Kortney Gowen

Her dedication to athletics may have distracted her a little from her studies. "Looking back I liked sports so much, I probably should have spent more time with my studies."

- Parents:** Steve and Cheryl Strokes.
Sister: Heather.
Favorite Movie: Forrest Gump.
Favorite Show: Home Improvement.
Favorite Athlete: Florence Kersey Joyner.
Favorite Cartoon: Animaniacs.
Favorite Class: English.
Most Difficult Class: Geometry.
Favorite Day of the Week: Friday.
Favorite Food: Pizza.
Favorite Musical Group: Pearl Jam.
Favorite Sport: Volleyball.
Favorite Place to Play: Belding - their players were always so nice.
Favorite Team to Beat: Wyoming Park.
Toughest Competitor: Wyoming Park (all around).

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TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the annual election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 12, 1995.

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

At the annual school election there will be elected two (2) member(s) to the board of education of the district for full term(s) of four (4) years ending in 1999.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS HAVE BEEN NOMINATED TO FILL SUCH VACANCIES:

- Joe Barnella
- Jack T. Lane
- Ann Mulder

GRAND RAPIDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE REGULAR BIENNIAL ELECTION

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Regular Biennial Election of Grand Rapids Community College, Michigan, will be held at the same time and at the same voting places as the annual school election on Monday, June 12, 1995, and will be conducted by the same school officials for those electors of the community college district residing in this school district.

At the Regular Biennial Election there will be elected two (2) members for the office of Community College District Trustee for full terms of six (6) years ending June 30, 2001.

THE FOLLOWING PERSON HAS BEEN NOMINATED TO FILL SUCH VACANCIES:

- SIX-YEAR TERMS
- (VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 2)
- Terri A. Handlin

THE VOTING PLACE(S) ARE AS FOLLOWS:

PRECINCT NO. 1

Voting Place: Runciman Elementary School, 300 High Street, Lowell, Michigan. The first precinct consists of the City of Lowell and those portions lying north of the centerline of Cascade Road in Cascade and Lowell Townships in Kent County, and Boston Township in Ionia County.

PRECINCT NO. 2

Voting Place: Old Township Hall, 8240 Alden Nash Road, Alto, Michigan. The second precinct consists of Bowne Township in Kent County and Campbell Township in Ionia County and those portions lying south of the centerline of Cascade Road in Cascade and Lowell Townships in Kent County, and Boston Township in Ionia County.

PRECINCT No. 3

Voting Place: Vergennes Township Hall, corner of Bailey Drive and Parnell Avenue in Vergennes Township. The third precinct consists of the Townships of Ada, Cannon, Grattan, and Vergennes in Kent County, and Keene Township in Ionia County.

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

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

Norman Byrne
Secretary, Board of Education

School schedules a survey to gain public's views on a number of issues

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

The last time (March 1990) the Lowell School District conducted a community-wide survey, it was to ascertain the community's thoughts on building a new high school.

Another survey will be conducted on June 13th and 14th - this time, though, it will be to measure the perceptions and attitudes of a multitude of issues.

"The school is looking to find the public's attitude and perception on where the district needs to focus," interim superintendent Dick Korb said.

Out of the 12,000 registered voters, 1,600 names will be drawn randomly. The names will be divided into four columns of 400 names each. The first person picked in column one will be called. If the person doesn't wish to participate in the survey or isn't home, then the first person in column two is called. For each of the 400 people, there are three backups.

The validity factor for the survey will be 95 percent (plus or minus 5 percent).

The survey came as a result of a meeting of Vision 2000 chairmen. "They were asked if the school should go after enhancement mills. The chairmen said they did not recommend it. However, they thought the school should get a response from others. From that the idea of a survey came about," Vision 2000's James Bosserd said.

It was also felt that a survey could give the school the community's perception on other issues.

The survey was put together with the help of the research and development department at the Kent Intermediate School District.

"Past documents were looked at and questions were drawn up from them," Korb said. "They address a variety of issues."

- They include:
- How well informed the school keeps the public.
 - Where the public gets its information about the schools.
 - The level of trust in the board of education and administration.

- The quality of instruction.
- How well the school manages its money.
- The biggest problems facing the school.
- A report card of Lowell Schools.
- Feelings toward any potential enhancement millage.

"I think this survey can also serve as a tool for our new superintendent Bert Bleke to get a picture of community feelings," Korb said.

A combination of staff members and community volunteers (Volunteers In Action) will be conducting the phone survey. Korb said there would be 70 volunteer callers used over the two nights.

Council approves abatement for Chadalee Farms

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Chadalee Farms (1400 Foreman) received city council approval for an industrial facilities exemption certificate. The Lowell company applied for an industrial tax abatement related to the 17,334 square foot addition to the west side of the plant currently under construction.

Chadalee Farms qualifies for 12 years of abatement under the point system adopted by the council.

The cost of the building improvements plus machinery and equipment will be \$3,685 million. There will be 70 current jobs retained with 10 new jobs to be created within two years of project completion.

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- Toughest Competitor:** Wyoming Park (all around).
- Closest Friend:** Melissa Beute.
- Toughest Coach:** Coach Ken Akers.
- I Get Relaxed By:** Running.
- Strength:** Attitude.
- On the Athletic Field I Am:** A team player.
- Away From the Athletic Field:** I am practicing.
- Best Athletic Moment:** Our second place finish in the 800-meter relay in the 1994 state track meet.
- Kathy Talus is:** A coach and a friend.
- Ken Akers is:** Loud for sure, but has a warm heart.
- Laurie Kuna is:** Friendly and caring.
- Winning is:** Doing your best.
- Losing:** Should not be thought of as bad.
- Best Thing I Like About Lowell:** The people are friendly.
- Superstitions:** Have none.
- Fear:** Pulling a muscle.
- What I Look Forward to Most About College:** Meeting new people.
- Major:** Special Education.
- Who/What Motivates You:** God, family and friends.
- Advice You'd Give to a Lowell Freshman Athlete:** When you come across an athlete who beats you, and you will, shake his/her hand and congratulate them. They deserve it and that's what sportsmanship is all about.