

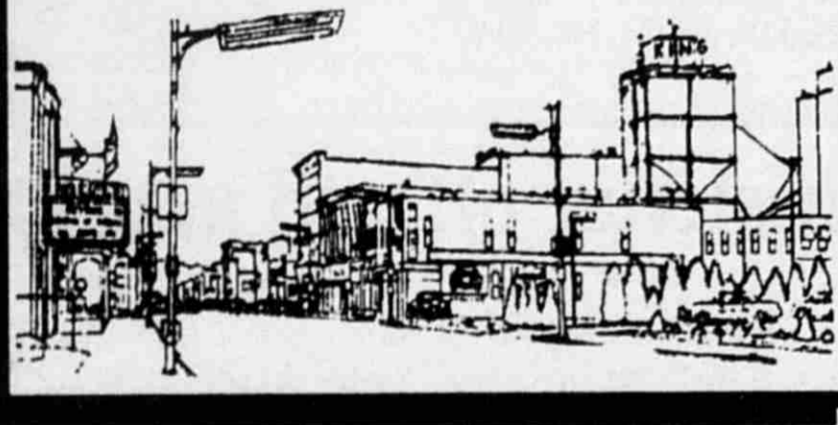
# The Lowell Ledger

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## Along Main Street



### ROSENBERGER SCHOOL REUNION

Attention classmates, parents, teachers, etc. You are invited to the Rosenberger School Reunion, on Sunday, July 23, 1995 at 1:30 p.m. at the Ed Schrock home at 11204 - 76th St., Clarksville.

Bring a dish to pass and table service. For more information call 616-868-6350.

### THE FLAT RIVER PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION NEEDS YOU

The F.R.P.A. is holding their meeting on July 19 at 7 p.m. at the Boy Scout cabin. The cabin is located at the end of North Washington Street. Discussion items will include F.R.P.A. project updates and project planning for the coming year.

New members are welcome. For more information call Ron Dawson at 897-6133.

### LOWELL LITTLE LEAGUE PICNIC

The Lowell Little League picnic will be held Monday, July 24 for girls T-ball teams and Wednesday, July 26 for boys teams. Events start at 6:15. Rain dates are July 25 and 27 respectively.

### CLASS OF 1930 REUNION

The Lowell High School class of 1930 reunion will be held July 30 at Keiser's Kitchen. The class of 1929 and 1931 are invited.

Call Emma Herron at 897-7218 for more information.

### YMCA SWIM LESSONS

In cooperation with the S.E. YMCA, swim lessons will be offered to area youth ages 6 to 12 years old in an outdoor heated pool. Lessons will run from July 31 to August 19 (two days a week) on Monday and Wednesday from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m.

Van transportation will be provided by the Lowell YMCA. For more information please call 897-8445.

### CLASS OF 1985 REUNION

The Lowell High School class of 1985 reunion is planned for Wed., October 14, 1995. Classmates are encouraged to call Terri Jones at 897-5794.

### LOWELL HISTORIC SOCIETY NEEDS INFORMATION ON BUSINESSES OVER THE BRIDGE

The Lowell Historic Society is looking for any old photos or information on businesses over "the bridge," from Springgrove Variety at 123 W. Main, east to the old Levee Restaurant at 119 E. Main. Contact Dr. Jim Reagan at 897-9656.

### OFF THE BLOTTER

Dennis Burns, 50, of Lowell, was slightly injured July 10 when the car he was driving was backed into by Steven Furman, 39, of Saranac, in a private parking lot off Pleasant St. south of Main.

Frank Pratt, 26, of Lowell, was struck by a hit and run driver while on his bicycle on West Main Street near Valley Vista Drive July 8. Pratt suffered minor injuries.

Kacie Simon, 21, of Orleans, exited a driveway on Main Street near Amity and collided with a vehicle driven by William Varnell, 36, of Grandville July 7. No one was injured.

Two 12-year-old juveniles from Lowell were apprehended by store employees July 3 for retail fraud (shoplifting) from the True Value store on West Main Street.

Timothy Tolle, 31, of Lowell, was arrested July 5 for driving under the influence of alcohol.

Greggory Barcelow, 20, of Lowell, was released after posting bond on a warrant issued out of an Ionia County court for failure to appear in court on July 9.

Two 11-year-olds and a 10-year-old juvenile were referred to probate court July 9 for assault.

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## Low water use leads to higher township cost

By Marc Popiolek  
Contributing Writer

Residents in Eastgate Village who want to water their grass on a daily basis will not get an argument from Lowell Charter Township Supervisor John Timpson.

The township recently received its bill for using the city's water system and Timpson believes the cost can be lower.

"We haven't gone through a full 12 months and that's what I would like us to do before we pay for using the system," said Timpson.

The city has indicated that the township's share is \$88,511 or \$2.95 per every thousand gallons used.

The bill received by the township reveals that the township has fallen short of projected use, which has caused the cost to be higher than expected.

According to the city, the township's water district, which consists of the high school and Eastgate Village, has used only 25 million gallons of water.

However, the city is willing to up that figure to 30 million.

"We get charged for the amount we use, and the more that is used the lower the cost," said Timpson.

Timpson said the extra estimation cut the cost from \$3.54 per thousand to the current \$2.95, but believes the figure can be even lower.

"This time of year is the busiest for water consumption. I believe that figure could reach 35 million gallons used as opposed to the 30 million projected," said Timpson.

Timpson said the additional cost will trickle down to the customers eventually.

When the township first signed an agreement with the city, Timpson said it expected to pay \$2.10 per thousand.

"We're going to sit down with the city to make sure all the figures are correct and that we come to a mutual understanding," said Timpson.

## Vergennes changes ordinances to strengthen their enforceability

By Marc Popiolek  
Contributing Writer

In an effort to better enforce its ordinances, the Vergennes Township Board is thinking about changing the status of several of their ordinances.

The change would reduce the violations from misdemeanors to civil infractions.

The reduction makes the offenses a lesser crime, but also makes it easier to enforce.

The board is considering changes to its zoning, building, plumbing, and electrical ordinances as well as other smaller ordinances.

The changes to the zoning ordinance will be discussed at a public hearing on Aug. 7. Changes to the other ordinances will be considered

at their regular board meeting in August.

Violators of the improved ordinances may face a fine of \$100 to \$500 depending on the infraction.

The changes may make the ordinance easier to enforce, but the board isn't pursuing the matter to crack down on any one individual. Instead it's hoping to reduce the amount of court cost involved in the enforcement.

"Our current ordinances have penalty clauses, but it's difficult to enforce because of lengthy court proceedings and lawyers' fees," said township clerk Mari Stone.

Stone and the rest of the board hope and expect most of the violations to be resolved before any fine is levied.

If a person is found to

have violated an ordinance, the board will send a letter to the individual explaining the violation.

It's the board's expectations that once the first letter is received, the matter will be resolved. If it is not, a second letter will be sent.

If that letter isn't addressed, then the board will issue a ticket. Once the ticket is issued, the whole matter will be turned over to 63rd District Court.

The court will hear the case and then determine if the ticket is valid and what the fine should be.

Stone said the township office will assist in administering the ordinances, but the enforcement will be left to the township supervisor.

Vergennes Township Su-

pervisor Jim Cook can issue the ticket or may appoint another individual to issue tickets. The board also wants the individual who issues the ticket to witness the violations firsthand.

"It would be difficult to prove in the court of law if the person who wrote the ticket was going on hearsay only and didn't witness the infraction," said Jim Brown, the township's attorney.

Stone said the state of Michigan recently passed a law which allows municipalities to enforce civil infractions.

"A vast majority of communities in Grand Rapids has either passed or are considering passing this kind of ordinance revision," said Stone.

## Bleke using first few months of new job to deepen his understanding of the school district

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Bert Bleke has been on his new job as Lowell superintendent for three weeks.

His first superintendent position has yet to throw him a changeup.

"No surprises, but I'm an old man," Bleke said, followed by a laugh. "I came to Lowell with seven years experience in a central office."

Bleke, however, continues to ask a lot of questions. "It helps me to get a total grasp of all aspects of this job." It may also help him detect changeups before they sail his way.

What he's heard from the administrators he works with, teachers and the board of education have thus far been validated by the members of the community he's been able to speak to.

"A vast majority of the comments has validated my thinking prior to coming to Lowell," Bleke said. "My talks with members of the community have just deepened my understanding."

A common denominator among all his conversations has been that Lowell has a fine teaching staff. "That point also jumps off the sheet at you from the recent survey the school just completed," Bleke said. "That is the most important thing a school can have."

Another area where Bleke has deepened his understanding

is the community's desire for administrators, teachers, and the board of education to listen and respond, and not just listen.

"Perception is reality. We have to do a better job to change that perception and to be more successful," Bleke said.

Areas Bleke promises will get his ongoing attention include improving the perception of listening and responding to the community, working to improve the school; working to meet the needs of the kids; providing a school district that is driven by accountability; and preparing students so that they have an opportunity to do well on the MEAP.

"I think these should be our mission every year. These are not things that can be done in six months. They are ongoing,"

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# OBITUARIES

**GILMORE** - Bessie A. "Betty" Gilmore, aged 89, of Grand Rapids, passed away July 9, 1995 at her residence at Clark Retirement Community. Bessie and her husband Ralph lived in a home they built at 2947 Pine Tree Road, Holt, from shortly after their marriage in 1931 until his death in June, 1977. Bessie was born September 20, 1905 in Ada Township, Kent County. She graduated from Lowell High School and Ferris Institute. During WWII she was employed in the Auditor General's office of the Department of State, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and Army Ordnance. Bessie was a member of Holt United Methodist Church, where she was a charter member and ten-year officer of the United Methodist Women. She was also past president of the Auxiliary to the National Association of Letter Carriers, a past officer of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees and a member of the Holt Senior Citizens. Bessie is survived by several nieces and nephews; five sisters, Helena Dintaman and Bertha Jessup, both of Lowell, Rosalie Carey of Grand Rapids, Cora Cepnick of Atlanta, GA and Maud Chadwick of Reno, NV. She was preceded in death by two brothers William and Floyd Foster and one sister, Edith Bordine. Funeral Services were held in Holt, with interment in East Lawn Memory Gardens, Okemos. Friends desiring may make contributions to the Holt United Methodist Church Memorial Fund, Holt, MI 48840.

**PECKHAM** - Howard H. Peckham, aged 84, of Carolina Village, died Thursday, July 6, 1995. He was a native of Lowell and lived in Ann Arbor before moving to Hendersonville in 1977. He was the son of the late H. Algernon Peckham and Harriet Wilson Peckham. He attended Olivet College and the University of Michigan, where he received his bachelor's and master's degrees. Olivet awarded him an honorary doctor of letters degree in 1975. After graduating from the university, he worked as the editorial writer for the *Grand Rapids Press*. In 1935 he became the curator of manuscripts at the William L. Clements Library of American History at the University of Michigan. From 1945 to 1953, he was director of the Indiana Historical Bureau and secretary of the Indiana State Historical Society. In 1953 he returned to the University of Michigan to become director of the Clements Library until his retirement in 1977. He wrote extensively and had many articles and books published on the colonial and Revolutionary War periods of American history. His book, *Pontiac and the Indian Uprising*, was first published in 1947 and republished for the fourth time in 1994. For the Bicentennial series *The States and The Nation*, he wrote *The History of Indiana*. To commemorate the 150th anniversary of the University of Michigan in 1967, he was asked to write a history of the university. This was updated for the 175th celebration and reprinted in 1994. He wrote

three children's books for the Bobbs-Merrill series of Childhood of Famous Americans. He was past president of the American Association of State and Local History and one of the founders of *American Heritage* magazine. After retiring to Hendersonville, he played in the Hendersonville Symphony Orchestra for 10 years, served on the board of the Friends of the Library and was active in the Rotary Club and First Congregational Church. Survivors include his wife Dorothy Koth Peckham; a son, Stephen Peckham of Lexington, KY; a daughter Angela Peckham Hewitt of Wallingford, PA; and three grandchildren.

**RANBURGER** - Mrs. Esther L. Ranburger, aged 76, of Wyoming, went home to be with her Lord Monday, July 10, 1995. She was preceded in death by her husband Robert in 1979. She is survived by her children Larry and Sharon Ranburger, Carl and Sylvia Parker; 11 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; her sister Lenora and Vern Berendt; her brother, Robert and Shirley VanLoon; several nieces and nephews. She was retired from Michigan National Bank and was a long time member of the Open Bible Church. Funeral Services were held Thursday with Pastor Dan Spaulding officiating. Interment Woodlawn Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Open Bible Church.

**SHEPARD** - Roger Harold Shepard, aged 58, of Conroe, TX, died July 6, 1995. He was born March 6, 1937 in Saranac, the son of Floyd and Viva (Hawley) Shepard. On

December 10, 1977, he married Beverly Ann Kidd in Adrian and she survives. Mr. Shepard was employed as a truck driver with Eagle Freight USA. In addition to his wife Beverly, he is survived by two sons Ronald Shepard of Kentwood, Roger Shepard of Lowell and Randy Shepard of Grand Rapids; one daughter Lori Shepard Bodycombe of Coral Springs, FL; two step-daughters, Michelle Moorehead of Adrian and Angela Righter of South Lyon. Mr. Shepard is also survived by two brothers Floyd "Gene" Shepard of Grand Haven and James Shepard of Grand Rapids; one sister, Bonnie Novakowski of Grand Rapids and also 12 grandchildren. Preceding him in death were

his parents and two infant siblings. Funeral Services were held Monday in Adrian with Rev. Richard Rentner of the Christ Redeemer Lutheran Church officiating. Cremation followed the service. Interment of cremains will be in Lenawee Hills Memorial Park in Adrian.

**WALSH** - Wavelet V. Walsh, aged 88, of Anaheim, CA, formerly of San Diego, CA, Clifton, TX and Ionia and Lowell, passed away Wednesday, July 12, 1995. She is survived by daughter Marquene Johnson of Anaheim, CA; sons LeRoy F. of Clifton, TX, Kenneth R. of Saranac, Roger O. of Bonita, CA, Donald G. of San Diego, CA, Harold W.

of Romoland, CA, Harry T. of Chula Vista, CA; sister Marguerite Shaler of Lowell; brothers Rev. Roy G. Holland of Ellisville, MS, Lee Holland of Saranac; 20 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren. Services and interment were held Tuesday at El Camino Mortuary, in San Diego, CA. Memorial Mass for the dead, Saturday, July 22, 1995 at 8:30 a.m. at St. Justin Martyr Church in Anaheim with Rev. J. Douglas Dale officiating. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to: The Hospice Foundation, 1343 W. Valencia Dr., Ste. #H, Fullerton, CA 92633.

## New health newsletter offered in area

Dr. Paul Tuthill, a chiropractic physician at Doctors Chiropractic in Lowell, today announced a new free health service to area businesses with a fax machine.

The service is X-MED (Express Medical Information). It is a faxed health newsletter. It contains latest health news from the Internet, the AMA, the Associated Press and medical newsletters.

X-MED is information on saving health care dollars, medical breakthroughs, prevention and health care alerts.

"The focus of this public service is helping health consumers find solutions for their personal health," said Tuthill. Daily, Dr. Tuthill collects the latest news from around the globe and makes it available through X-MED.

"X-MED is delivered bi-monthly and can be read and posted as an added employee benefit," said Dr. Tuthill. X-MED will be faxed to

area businesses or individuals who have a fax machine as long as it is a local call (Grand Rapids exchanges) and the fax machine is always call ready. Persons with an 800 number fax may also receive X-MED as is done by such notables like G. Gordon Liddy and Rush Limbaugh.

"X-MED provides a safety net of knowledge for health consumers. In certain cases it could save lives," asserted Tuthill.

Businesses or individuals wishing X-MED service may call 897-4999 with their fax number.

## FFA members attend D.C. leadership conference

Loren Kaeb, Amy Larabee, Ken VanSprosen and Shari Grieser of the Lowell FFA Chapter of Lowell attended the 1995 Washington Leadership Conference in the nation's capital. The conference is an activity of the National FFA Organization in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Education.

The week-long program helps FFA members improve their leadership skills, develop an understanding of the nation's heritage and prepare for leadership roles in their chapters and communities. Sessions on self-confidence, goal setting, and team building were combined with discussions on personal development, motivation, and citizenship to help members become effective leaders in the science, business and technology of agriculture.

Visits to Mount Vernon, the Smithsonian Institution, Arlington National Cemetery, the Jefferson Memorial and other historic sights in Washington were included in the conference.

A highlight of the week was a visit made to the office of Congressman Carl Levin of Michigan and Spencer Abraham of Michigan. The chapter's FFA advisor is Pete Siler. The trip to the conference was sponsored by the Michigan FFA Alumni and the Lowell Ag Supporters. FFA is a national organization of 428,109 members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture. The organization has 7,257 local chapters located throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands. FFA's mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. Local, state and national activities and award programs provide opportunities for students to apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom.

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Why shouldn't truth be stranger than fiction?  
Fiction, after all, has to make sense.  
—Mark Twain

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# Survey indicates community in favor of enhancement mills under certain parameters

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The responses extracted from Lowell Area Schools' survey of 407 registered voters, who were randomly called for the scientific procedure, brought surprise and intrigue.

"I think Lowell Schools got a good grade," Lowell School Board president Marsha Wilcox said. "The results from the survey left room for us to improve and we intend to do that."

Lowell's new superintendent Bert Bleke was pleased and intrigued by some of the results.

"The survey appears to show a high level of trust. It also shows support for enhancement mills which is both surprising and intriguing," Bleke said.

When asked about the level of trust the community has for the administration, 24.7 percent said a great deal, 61 percent said some, and 14.3 percent said very little.

When asked about the level of trust it has for the board of education, 22.8 percent responded a great deal, 64.3 percent said some, and 12.9 percent said very little.

Wilcox wasn't surprised by the favorable response. "I knew most of the people trusted us. Lowell has a good board, and an excellent administration. Many of these people have been dependable for a long time," she said. The board president said she thinks people get caught up in trying to measure numbers from what they hear from a vocal few. "My political senses tell me you can't do that."

Managing district money is an area where the marks were

not as favorable. "This is the area of the survey where the district received the lowest marks," said James White, director of curriculum and instruction.

Of those surveyed, 7.5 percent said the school does an excellent job with district money, 47.5 percent said it does a good job, 33.4 percent said it does a fair job and 11.6 percent said it does a poor job.

"It is critical that the school bring these marks up," Bleke said.

With the window of opportunity closing, which would allow districts to ask for enhancement mills, school officials were pleased with the survey response supporting enhancement millage to generate additional dollars for the schools for two years.

The survey revealed that 74.7 percent of those polled would favor using enhancement mills to purchase additional textbooks and materials to support curriculum; 58.1 percent would favor using enhancement mills to support transportation and the purchase of new buses; 71.4 percent would support using enhancement mills to purchase additional computers, software, or other technology.

However, only 49 percent supported putting enhancement mill dollars in the bank as a hedge against cuts in future state funding.

"This is one objective way that can be used in helping us make a decision," Bleke said. "It is just one tool."

The survey is one tool that Bleke believes should be done on an annual basis. "A lot of schools do surveys only when they have to and not because they want to. I believe surveys should be done regularly."

In the area of communications, 72 percent said the district does either a good or excellent job in keeping the public informed. Of those surveyed 27 percent said they get their school information from the Lowell Ledger; 23 percent from Directons.

The survey was completed over two evenings (June 13th and 14th) through the help of 70 volunteers. The volunteer force of callers worked from a bank of phones provided by Attwood Corporation and three of the school buildings.

Kent Intermediate School District supplied the school with a representative expert to put together survey questions.

"This survey was important because it helped give us a snapshot of how the community is feeling," Bleke said. "It had been five years since a survey had been completed in the Lowell School District."

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—Albert Einstein

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## Homespun Devotions

By Pauline Spray

Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him... (Job 13:15). Many of us have visited the home of Mark Twain and have seen a replica of the fence Tom Sawyer once painted. High board fences, though not as popular as they once were, are a provocation to the curious. If one cannot see through such a fence, and there are no peep holes available, it can be irritating. There are many things in life we cannot "see through." Often we become irritated and upset because of this. We may not understand the actions of our friends, nor their attitudes. We may not understand why others do not return our gestures of kindness.

The Christian does not always understand the workings of the Lord. Sometimes he cannot understand why the Lord doesn't answer prayer as quickly as he thinks He should or in the way he thought He would. Frequently the Christian cannot understand why the Lord allows certain things to come into his life.

When we cannot "see through" the wall of the unknown, we must rest in the knowledge that the Lord doeth all things well. Christians, we need a determination like Job. We may not be able to "see through," but we can stand firm, regardless of what comes. Not even death should dissuade us. We must trust and obey—"when we can't see through."

Prayer: Dear Lord, many things come in life which baffle me. There are many walls I cannot "see through." But Thou doest all things well. Although I do not understand, I shall continue to trust and obey Thee. Amen.

## Lowell Charter Township plans on having violators absorb cost of hazardous waste spills

By Marc Popiolek  
Contributing Writer

Companies or individuals who accidentally spill hazardous material in Lowell Charter Township may soon be facing a stiff bill. The township board is reviewing a set of ordinances which would force companies or individuals to foot the bill for any hazardous dumping.

"We want to protect ourselves from incurring the cost for major spills on our highways," said township supervisor John Timpson. Under the ordinances which are currently being reviewed, the "responsible party" would incur all costs by the township in response to an emergency call. The emergency calls can be handled by either the police, fire department, or emergency medical services and may involve any dangerous, explosive, poisonous, or corrosive liquid or solid.

Following the conclusion of a hazardous materials incident, the officer in command would keep track of all the cost incurred and submit them to the township. The township would then send an invoice to the responsible party to be paid in full. Timpson said the board is reviewing the ordinances, but could not say if or when any formal action would be taken.

## Summer brings record numbers to GVSU

Grand Valley State University (GVSU) reached a record enrollment of 6,151 students for the 1995 spring/summer session, a 9.8 percent increase from last summer. "Grand Valley has been the state's fastest growing university for many years and this session's record enrollment shows that the trend continues," said Lynn M. Blue, GVSU Registrar. "Our gains are significant because they are spread over different class levels, indicating that Grand Valley is successfully fulfilling the educational needs of a

broad variety of students." Blue noted that the largest increase, almost 46 percent, was in the number of freshmen enrolled. The number of juniors increased by 21 percent, and the number of graduate students increased by 18 percent. Many of the record number of summer students were among the first to visit the university's new one-stop Student Services wing in the new Science Complex. The area features a Student Assistance Center, which offers student record, registration, and

cashiering services. It also includes the Admissions, Dean of Students, International Affairs, Financial Aid, Career Services, and Housing offices. The Career Planning and Counseling Center and the Office of Academic Resources and Special Programs are also located in the Student Services area. The rest of the Science Complex is being completed in stages. A portion of the East Wing is already open and Henry Hall will open in time for the fall semester. The rest of the complex is expected

to be completed in December, at which time the entire \$41 million complex is to be occupied.

Other developments on the Allendale campus include an addition and renovations to the Fieldhouse, construction of a new child care center, and improvements to campus walkways and grounds.

"While we believe students returning in the fall will enjoy Grand Valley's new look, they will also find that the high quality of our faculty and programs remain the same," concluded Blue.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JULY 20 - Cara Thaler, David Thaler III, Maureen Pawloski.  
JULY 21 - Dara Anchors, Stephanie Wade, Carolyn Mercer, Jeff Gurney.  
JULY 22 - Kelly Roth, Laurie Fonger, Richard (Dick) Roth.

## COLLEGE NEWS

Kenneth R. Stauffer, son of David and Sandra Stauffer of Lowell; Paul M. Kudirks, son of Paul and Janet Kudirks of Ada; and Barbara A. Johnston, daughter of William and Victoria Johnston of Alto were among nearly 300 Western Michigan University students and recent graduates initiated into Phi Kappa Phi national honor society in a ceremony this spring. Phi Kappa Phi recognizes and encourages superior scholarship in all academic disciplines. Founded nationally in 1897, there are more than 250 chapters worldwide. The WMU chapter was established in 1989.

Members are selected on the basis of high academic standing. Seniors must possess a cumulative grade point average of 3.78 or above and juniors must have maintained at least a 3.88 cumulative grade point average. Also eligible are academically superior graduate students, faculty members and alumni who have received scholarly distinction. Since 1970, the national

organization has distributed more than \$3 million in fellowships and awards to students.

Nicholas Staal of Lowell was among more than 100 talented high school students at Adrian College from July 9-22 during the Michigan State Board of Education Summer Institute for the Arts, Sciences and Technology.

At Adrian the program is called SEEKS — Sustaining the Environment through Education, Knowledge and Skills. High school juniors and seniors participated in intensive programming in "The Interrelationship of Humanity to the Environment." Study areas included improvisational theatre, creative writing, dance, archeology, video production, sculpture, landscape architecture, freshwater ecology, biochemistry of plants and bacteria, biological chemistry and cultural perspectives.

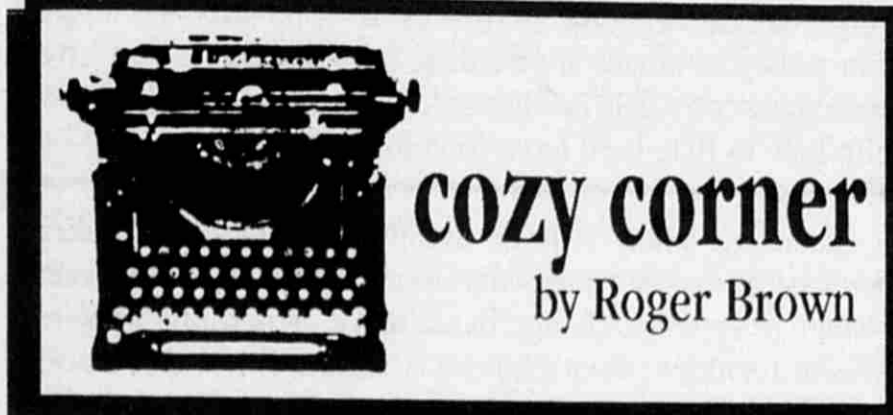
Staal is the son of Kenneth and Janice Staal of Lowell and is a student at Lowell High School where he is active in soccer, drama club, international club, art club, leaders club and performing arts center crew member. During SEEKS, he is studying video production.

Adrian faculty and visiting experts used non-traditional methods to encourage intellectual freedom and interdisciplinary thinking. Activities ranged from discussions to lab and field experiences to art performances.

LeAnna Funderburg graduated from Cornerstone College on May 12, 1995 with a bachelor of arts degree in Social Work.

Funderburg is the daughter of Michael and Nancy Funderburg and a 1991 graduate of Lowell High School.

# Viewpoint . . .



I was in the office of one of those rental storage facilities the other day. On the wall was a brass and walnut engraved plaque bearing a quote from George Carlin, the comedian with the extra twisted outlook on life. In this quote Carlin made the point that the only reason people buy houses is to store their "stuff." As time goes by they buy bigger and bigger houses solely to store the more and more "stuff" they accumulate. As a punchline to this train of thought, Carlin pointed out that there is an entire service industry, rental storage facilities, thriving on storing everybody's "stuff" that they don't have room for in their homes. As is usually the case, Carlin's humor tickles me because it strikes so close to home.

The last two years have marked some huge changes in my life. My wife lives and works in the Florida Keys where we are building a home. My son is in the Army. My daughter is at Michigan State. We've sold our house and cottage. Along with them went boats, furniture, lawn equipment, etc. A lot of "stuff" I don't have to deal with any more. I'm tellin' you folks, it feels real good. Throughout this transition I've made a

conscious effort to shed myself of excess baggage, simplify my life, and concentrate on the things I truly enjoy. There's only one problem. I seem to be a magnet for "stuff." I'm apparently addicted to it.

In the last three months I've accumulated an antique Harley Davidson, a huge old garden tractor with a barn full of implements my brother gave me and my daughter's one-year-old Labrador retriever. As if that weren't enough, I stumbled across another irresistible cache of free "stuff" a couple of weeks ago. This time my father was my supplier.

One of my father's neighbors died awhile back, and his widow wanted some help cleaning out his basement den. Most of this guy's "stuff" was sold, given to relatives or otherwise disposed of. The books posed a problem. Nobody was interested in them, even at garage sale prices, so they were doomed to the dumpster. My father noticed a rather large collection of Ernest Hemingway books, and knows that my daughter and I are on a bit of a Hemingway kick right now. He dragged them home and called me to come over for a look. There were about thirty books in all, including hardbound copies of just about everything Hemingway wrote along with several books about his life. A real find for a Hemingway freak. I scarfed them up and carted them home. More stuff!

Unfortunately, the Hemingway works were just the tip of the iceberg. My father couldn't help but notice my enthusiasm in the "stuff," and told me there were lots of other books in the collection I might be interested in. He rattled off a few authors, and like a chocolate freak being offered a case of Hershey bars, I began to salivate. He said he'd drag it all over to his garage and I could come by for a look. What I didn't want, he said he'd

donate to a veteran's facility or something. The very next day he called and told me he had the "stuff." I jumped in my car and headed for his house being careful not to get a speeding ticket. A "stuff junkie" is truly a thing to behold.

I was expecting a couple boxes of books. I found four or five hundred. My old man must have spent the better part of the day hauling them all. Junkies don't find dealers like that very often. This was like a wino getting a free case of Ripple.

I paged through the books, most of them hardbound editions, and was amazed at the "stuff" I was interested in keeping. The authors included John Steinbeck, Mark Twain, Norman Mailer, Sinclair Lewis, Edgar Allan Poe, Bruce Catton, Winston Churchill, etc., etc., etc. There were humor books by authors like Bennett Cerf, Will Rogers, Art Linkletter and others. There was an entire Time/Life series on ships and sailing. There were several other books on sailing and seamanship. There was a virtual treasure trove of Civil War history books. There were biographies of several famous people like Lincoln, J.F.K., Truman, Churchill, etc. In the end, I nearly filled my Jeep with more "stuff."

I spent an entire evening assembling a large set of shelves left over from my house and put all the books away. They took up about a dozen two foot sections of shelving. Twenty four feet of free "stuff." Will I ever read it all? Probably not. Do I have room for it all? Not really. Why did I take it all? You tell me. I'm a stuff junkie and probably in need of professional help. Someday I'll likely run out of room and all these books will end up in that storage facility with the George Carlin quote on the wall. Makes a lot of sense, doesn't it?

## I had's thoughts

What the heck is going on in small town Lowell?

We have post office lights being smashed out, the mortar holding cement slabs together being loosened, flowers being ripped out of the boxes in front of the Ledger and Lowell Light and Power offices, cars being broken into and stones and rocks being launched from sling shots in the general direction of the windows at the water treatment plant. It is thought these crimes are being committed by juveniles.

It's a given every day a person is going to read about or hear about crimes committed by adults - but kids? To some, these kids' crimes may seem like rather insignificant crimes, but doesn't there seem to be a more significant number of them?

How do you stop it? Lowell City Council spent 20 minutes discussing just that at Monday's council meeting. Everything from surveillance cameras to replacing the windows with plexiglass to bricking shut the windows in front of the water treatment plant. The council is not sure what the answer is. However, it is sure that something needs to be done. I think the

council leaned toward offering a substantial reward for the arrest and conviction of the perpetrators responsible. The city has already paid nearly \$1,500 to replace broken glass at the water treatment facility.

My first thought is you catch the little punks and hit them upside the head with a two-by-four - but once past that irrational thought I began to realize these simple kids' crimes don't have simple answers.

What these kids' crimes do hold is that somewhere along the way, society is failing. Years ago kids didn't do as much of this kind of thing, I think, because they feared more of what mom and dad were going to do to them if they were caught than the punishment handed out by the law. Today reprimanding kids is confused with abuse and infringing on kids' rights.

Different sectors of all communities have neighborhood watches. Maybe a city-wide watch is needed where everybody is concerned and looking out for what's going on around them and their neighbors. Maybe we all need to file the "I don't want to get involved '90's mindset and start taking back our small hometown and the ideals that we want to go with it.

The other side which is often discussed is... Give the kids something to do. I'm not sure those type of programs attract the kids that are vandalizing the park restrooms or slinging rocks through windows. Lowell has a YMCA program, it has parks and a public swimming area but based on this summer, some kids are not using them. Maybe those caught should be put to work in a summer

program - thereby stripping them of their free time. The theory being they will appreciate their free time a lot more if they go part or all of a summer without it.

As became apparent at the council meeting Monday night, answers to the problem are not simple. However, making everybody aware that vandalism is occurring on a much too frequent basis may stir masses and make it much more difficult for the perpetrators.

Changing topics sort of, but remaining with kids, don't young children run through sprinklers anymore? I drove around the east end of town Friday in the sweltering heat looking for children playing in sprinklers. Not a one.

Dick Korb, you just completed a year as interim superintendent. Where are you going to go? I hear he went fishing in Canada. I am sure he had much more fun fielding fish from streams than questions at a board meeting. I'm not sure if anyone noticed (or cares) but Korb was missing from the July board meeting. It didn't take him long to cut board meetings from his Monday routine. I'm told he will return. I hope so; I need some traveling advice so I can plan my Canadian fishing get-away, too...although, I'm feeling as if I may need more than a week.

## AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

<p><b>ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH</b> 7227 Thornapple River Dr. 676-1032 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 &amp; 10:00 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>Vineyard</b> CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP OF LOWELL/ADA 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> 15001 Sisseton • Ph. 897-7185 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>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. RICK FLOYD, Interim Pastor 897-5648 or 667-1948 YOU ARE WELCOME!</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 Daphnie Lattimore</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. TIMOTHY E. HARMON, Minister Staffed Nursery Provided Barrier-Free Entrance</p>

## Ledger Entries

of 100, 75, 50 and 25 Years Ago

### 100 YEARS AGO IN THE JOURNAL - JULY 17, 1895

Farmers around Fairplain, near Benton Harbor, are forming an irrigation cooperative to pull water from the St. Joseph river with a 30-horsepower gasoline engine. The extremely dry conditions have made this unusual action necessary.

The East Lowell scribe (correspondent) didn't get her column in last week because she picked 14 bushels of cherries at Peach Glen farm.

An anonymous verse questions, among other things, how a woman wearing the new bloomers can hold a baby in her lap. Lowell is looking for a cheaper way to light the streets until

midnight. It's been costing \$100 per light per year, and Battle Creek, for one, lights all night for \$50.

The editor suggests the schools hire someone to teach shorthand.

Base ball games are the entertainment of the summer. Alto has two teams, Lowell at least two and probably more.

### 75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JULY 15, 1920

The citizens of Lowell will present a beautiful flag to the Charles W. Clark Post of the American Legion tomorrow at City Hall, announces Community Council chair D.G. Look.

The first Base ball game finally takes place between Lowell and Grand Rapids, 4-7. The writer enthuses over "no booze, no cussing, no vulgar language" and suggests that families will enjoy the games. The editor publishes the article in spite of the game being played on Sunday.

A big, unusual turnout of 107 at the annual school meeting, whether because of half the voters being women (Michigan, and other states, had local woman suffrage before the U.S.) or the issue of returning the library to City Hall from the school and arbitrating rental differences.

A congressional committee is investigating presidential campaign expenditures.

### 50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JULY 19, 1945

In the effort to improve beef production, keep consumer prices down and eliminate unauthorized slaughtering, Uncle Sam starts a beef cattle subsidy.

The Hedge Hoppers sponsor a fly-in; eight planes come, as well as a good local turnout for the picnic meeting, planned for improving the airport site.

1,322 foxes were destroyed in 30 Michigan counties last year by conservation department personnel.

Get your fuel oil and/or coal supplies now. The war in the Pacific will require most supply routes next winter.

The Lowell village treasurer is located in the Lowell Township clerk's office, and the township treasurer is in the Lowell village clerk's office.

### 25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JULY 16, 1970

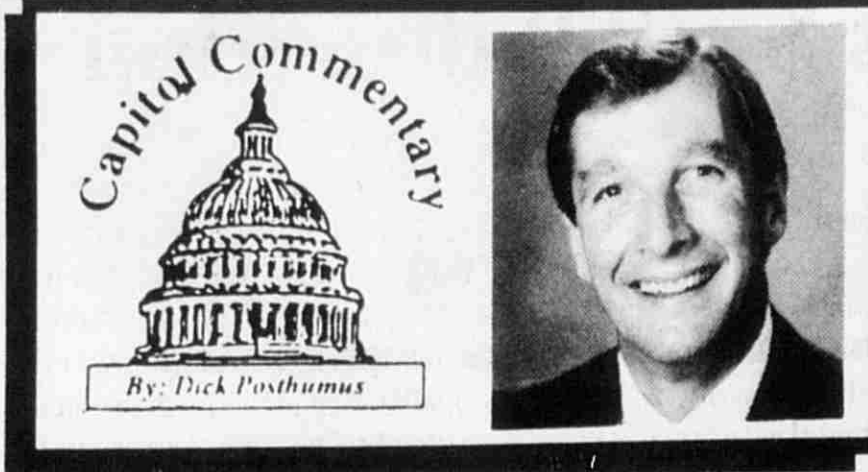
The 1970 census shows Grand Rapids shrinking and Ada and Cascade townships making gains at the Strand Theatre this week; next week, *How The West Was Won*.

The planning commission OK's Douglas Dok's proposed 43 new lots on the north end of the Valley Vista subdivision.

Eberhard employees win increased vacation, pension and health benefits as well as more pay in a three-year agreement. The strike is over.

## Letters, Letters, Letters,

The Lowell Ledger welcomes all "Letters to the Editor" for publication on its "Viewpoint" page.  
Letters can be typed or written. However, we ask that they do not exceed one written page or one typed, double-spaced page.  
"Letters to the Editor" should be sent to the Lowell Ledger, 105 N. Broadway, P.O. Box 128, Lowell, MI 49331.  
Editing may be necessary for space, clarity and to avoid obscenity, libel or invasion of privacy.  
The Lowell Ledger thanks you in advance for your cooperation.



Throughout the past few years, Michigan has become a national leader on many fronts. We've been noted for our action on school finance and property tax reform, as well as our legislation regarding crime victims' rights and stalking. Michigan has even been cited by the state that balanced its budget without raising taxes. But perhaps the greatest issue of current national interest is Michigan's welfare policies.

In Congress and in states across the country, people are talking about ways to reform the welfare system. Few, if any, Americans believe our current system encourages poverty because it lacks incentives for people to become self-sufficient and independent.

Here in Michigan, we are bucking national statistics and changing welfare as we know it. Rather than penalizing public assistance recipients by taking away medical benefits when they get a job, we now reward them by allowing them to keep some of those benefits while earning a paycheck.

We have made significant strides since the start of the decade. We eliminated general assistance for the able-bodied, reserving help only for needy parents and those with disabilities. We also established the Social Contract, which offers recipients a job or job training, an education or involvement in community service. In addition, we started a program called Work First, which helps those dependent on public assistance prepare for the work world by helping them with resumes or interviewing skills, for example.

To say the least, we have been successful. In fact, Governor Engler announced last month that caseloads in Michigan's largest welfare program fell to their lowest level in 16 years. What that means is that about 199,000 families received Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) in May. It marked the first time caseloads have fallen below 200,000 since July 1979. Even more encouraging is that 28 percent of those still receiving AFDC are working compared with a national average of 8 percent.

State leaders and taxpayers aren't the only ones happy about the falling welfare numbers. Former recipients are grateful, too. Owosso resident Jo Ann Foster said the computer and clerical skills she learned through the Department of Social Services' programs helped her get a job at the Shiawassee

Employment and Training Center. As a mother of six dependent on welfare for eight years, she's happy to have a job.

Tina Medrano, a single mother from Charlotte, credited the Work First Program with helping her get a job as a nurse's aide. Work First assisted Tina in putting together a resume and developing interviewing skills, and also provided financial assistance during her job search.

In reality, Michigan's welfare reforms have given these women—and thousands of others—their lives back. By giving people an education and job skills, we make them more self-sufficient, breaking the endless cycle of poverty and despair. Our policy is aimed at fulfilling the idea that if you give a person in need a fish, he'll have food for a day. But if you teach him how to fish, he'll have food for a lifetime.

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



Many people think of depression as being sad, bluesy, or downcast. While we all have these feelings for short periods of time, actual clinical depression is much more significant in terms of mental disability.

We now understand depression to be a true "chemical imbalance in the brain." Certain substances which should be present in "normal" amounts, may be depleted in the truly depressed patient.

There are many tell-tale symptoms which may indicate depression, and they may vary in severity: sleep disturbances, change in appetite, change in sex drive, irritability, hopelessness or feeling of despair, poor confidence, low self-esteem, pessimistic feelings, over-all sense of unhappiness.

Depression is not something which should be hidden or "put on the back burner." Because many people may view depression as a weakness, they may be less likely to seek medical attention. Because of the markedly improved means of therapy (primarily newer anti-depressant medication) we strongly urge you to discuss the possibility of depression with your physician. Treatment can ease or very often reverse all symptoms - many times dramatically. Please don't allow yourself to suffer from this potentially devastating dilemma - seek the advice of a health care professional.

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What's the use of a house if you haven't got a tolerable planet to put it on?

—Henry David Thoreau

# CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

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

For the Regular Meeting of WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 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, Thompson and Mayor Maatman.

Absent: Councilmember Hodges.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES that the minutes of the June 19, 1995 meeting be approved as written.

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

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

YEA: Councilmembers Shores, Green, Thompson and Mayor Maatman.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1. (Hodges)  
MOTION CARRIED.

### BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (7/5/95)

GENERAL FUND:	\$ 44136.25
MAJOR STREET FUND:	383.58
LOCAL STREET FUND:	362.03
DDA FUND:	2754.62
SEWER FUND:	20716.20
DATA PROCESSING FUND:	3858.88
WATER FUND:	396.03
EQUIPMENT FUND:	1121.92

Item #1. 413 N. DIVISION - ALFRED THOMET - CONSIDER VARIANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF GARAGE ACROSS THE STREET FROM RESIDENCE - PUBLIC HEARING. As noted from the last meeting, Alfred Thomet wishes to construct a garage across the street on property he owns from his residence. He desires to build a garage 32' x 35' x 50' in size, large enough to house a motor home. According to the Zoning Ordinance, accessory buildings may not be built upon any lot on which there is no principal building or structure.

Since the proposed garage is located across the street,

it was questionable whether the lot would be considered adjacent. At its June 26, 1995 meeting, the Planning Commission noted that, in their opinion, the lot was not adjoining and a variance is required. The Commission recommended approval of the variance subject to the submittal of a site plan showing enough set back to allow a future home on the lot.

City Manager Pasquale stated that the lot in question is on the east side of N. Division Street containing a parcel 165' x 264'. The garage would be constructed in the northeast corner, 20' from the north and east lot lines. It was noted that sufficient room exists for a house and a garage to satisfy the Planning Commission's concern that it would prohibit a future home.

Dan DesJarden (206 S. Division) questioned if constructing a new garage meant that Thomet would have to install sidewalk. City Manager Pasquale responded only when a home is built on the lot.

Deputy City Clerk Betty Morlock received a call from Ron and Sue Antcliff, 430 N. Division, expressing support for the variance mentioning that Thomet has kept the vacant lot beautiful over the years.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAATMAN and seconded by GREEN to approve the variance request for Alfred Thomet (412 N. Division) allowing construction of a garage on a vacant lot (413 N. Division) across the street from his residence.  
YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #2. TRANSFER OWNERSHIP OF 1994 CLASS C LICENSED BUSINESS WITH DANCE-ENTERTAINMENT PERMIT LOCATED AT 301-303-305 W. MAIN REGARDING THE MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION. City Manager Pasquale stated that an application for a transfer of a Class C liquor license with a Dance Entertainment Permit located at 301-303-305 W. Main (Larkin's) has been received. The transfer involved a transfer from Stephen Larkin to C.W. Pals, Inc. (Casmier Czarnopys and Michael Larkin, stockholders).

Pasquale said that the Police Department has completed its review and recommended the transfer.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by THOMPSON to approve the transfer of ownership of a 1994 Class C licensed business with Dance-Entertainment Permit located at 301-303-305 W. Main from Stephen Larkin to C.W. Pals, Inc. (Casmier Czarnopys and

Michael Larkin, stockholders).  
YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #3. RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING NEW WATER SYSTEM AND SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM RATES AND CHARGES. A resolution which alters the water and sewer charges was presented to Council. As noted in the adopted 1995-96 Fiscal Year Budget, water and sewer rates need to be raised to meet increased operating and maintenance costs. The following major changes in rates were proposed:

- Water Commodity from \$1.50 to \$1.53 per thousand gallons per month.
- Water Readiness to Serve (residential) from \$15.75 to \$16 per month
- Sanitary Sewer Use Charge from \$1.66 to \$1.80 per thousand gallons per month
- Sanitary Sewer Debt Service Charge from \$10.50 to \$11 per month

City Manager Pasquale said that based on a typical usage of 9,000 gallons of usage per month, a resident's bill would rise from \$54.69 to \$56.97 (4.16% increase).

Also, several other items were updated including pool filling, frozen meter repairs, service turn-on fees and an abandon service fee. Additionally, charges for water and sewer connections were revised.

Pasquale noted that Water Distribution Supervisor Bob Robinson has recently completed the City's water service rules and regulations, which will be presented for Council consideration shortly.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by THOMPSON to adopt the resolution establishing new water system and sanitary sewer system rates and charges to meet increased operating and maintenance costs.  
YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #4. WARRANTY INSPECTION OF THE 500,000 GALLON RESERVOIR REHABILITATION. City Manager Pasquale stated that the interior of the reservoir behind the Water Treatment Plant had been painted last year. It was noted that the one year warranty period for the project will expire August 5, 1995. Dixon Engineering had proposed a warranty inspection for the interior painting of the reservoir. If Dixon notices a deficiency, the contractor (Pete Haralambis of Woodhaven) must correct the problem at his own expense. The cost for

# Foundation start-up enhanced by LEA's \$1,000 donation

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The steering committee to the Lowell Area Schools Education Foundation was warned that initiating an education foundation is hard work, but with it comes rewards.

Resource representatives from the Cedar Springs Education Foundation and the Forest Hills Education Foundation discussed their experiences in developing a foundation in their district.

Joining in on one of the three informational meetings held so far were Bert Bleke, Lowell Area Schools superintendent designee; and Pete Gustafson and Steve Idema, Lowell Board of Education.

Also sitting in on the meetings were nine community steering members: Idema, Linda Beers, Sue Burt, Gustafson, Pinky McPherson, Rena Mitchell, William Roth, Wendy Southwell and Marsha Wilcox.

"The meeting was informational. We discussed how to get a foundation started, how to set it up, ways in which to raise money, and programs the foundation can fund," Idema said.

He added that the resource people said foundations take a lot of hard work, but if the committee sticks with it, it will pay off. "The funds from the foundation will be used to fund programs that may not otherwise be available to students," Idema said.

Examples of programs that could benefit from a foundation include mini grants for specialized teaching concepts, various scholarships and technology equipment.

The steering committee was scheduled to meet on Tuesday (July 18). At this meeting candidates to serve as board of directors were scheduled to be discussed and selected. Idema

said the number of board of directors will range between five and 15.

"I'm excited about it. It's taken a while to get off the ground," Idema said. "I think it will finance different and creative programs."

A large portion of the foundation's funding will come through corporations and individuals.

A start-up contribution of \$1,000 has already been contrib-

uted by the Lowell Education Association.

The steering committee is developing a clearly worded mission statement in order to receive internal revenue service tax-exempt status. Articles of incorporation and by-laws must also be written in order to qualify for 501(c)(3) designation. Legal assistance is being provided by Dean Pacific, an interim at the law firm of Warner, Norcross, and Judd, P.C.s

# US Signal to bring a competitive local exchange to Lowell

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell became the 15th of 25 municipalities in Kent County to allow US Signal, Inc. to utilize the public-right of way to place fiber optic cables.

Agreement between US Signal and the city of Lowell will provide local exchange telephone service, in competition with Ameritech.

US Signal will pay 25 cents per foot for cable during 1995 with a minimum cost of \$1,000. Beginning in 1996, the city will receive the greater

of 25 cents per foot or one percent of gross revenues derived, whichever is greater.

For Lowell residents, the agreement means they will be able to choose their local carrier - just as they now do for long distance.

US Signal executive vice president Brad Evans said its fiber optic service will be up and ready to go by mid October. "The worst case scenario would be January," he said.

US Signal already has connected 2,000 business and residential customers in West Michigan.

US Signal, through state regulations, is allowed to lease Ameritech lines and phone numbers.

Evans pointed out several benefits to having a second local phone company in Lowell. They include:

- US Signal rates are expected to be five to 40 percent below that of Ameritech.

- Competition will lead to faster repair time, will shorten turn-up intervals, and will generate a more customer oriented attitude. The fiber optic network provides a clearer connection than analog cop-

per-based networks. One area the city made sure it protected was one-way transmissions to customers of video programming or other programming services of subscriber interaction that would compete with Lowell Cable.

Evans said US Signal has no intentions of transmitting video programming.

Municipalities who sign a three-year agreement get a special rate of nine cents per minute for local calls as opposed to the 15-20 cents they are now being charged.

# CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Dixon to perform the warranty inspection would be \$1420.

Councilmember Thompson questioned the cost for painting the tank interior. Pasquale responded between \$30,000 - \$40,000. Thompson further inquired if an engineer is required to perform the inspection. Pasquale stated that the inspection requires a firm specialized in this type of work.

Councilmember Thompson had a problem with the City paying all these engineering costs and then having to rereck their work afterwards.

Councilmember Shores felt the inspection would protect the City's original investment.

Mayor Maatman questioned how long the paint would last. Robinson responded approximately ten years.

Councilmember Shores asked if the inspection needed to be done yearly. Robinson responded after the first year, a reinspection could be planned between five to seven years.

Streets and Parks Supervisor Dan DesJarden stated that when the tank was originally painted, Water Treatment Plant Superintendent George Regan discovered flaws. Pasquale noted after a winter's use, the tank could develop problems. DesJarden felt it would be advantageous to have the tank inspected at this time.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to approve the warranty inspection of the 500,000 gallon reservoir behind of the Water Treatment Plant with Dixon Engineering at a cost of \$1420.

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

Item #5. RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 113 LAFAYETTE STREET (NAPA AUTO PARTS). As directed by the Council at its closed session held on June 19, 1995, City Manager Pasquale stated he contacted Don Skinner of Manistique concerning the purchase of the building at 113 Lafayette (presently housing NAPA Auto Parts) and a sale price of \$32,000 was reached. If approved, the City could take ownership by August 1.

The advantages to City ownership are the usage of storage and meeting room space as well as the possible private use for retail in the future. With the upcoming pedestrian mall along Lafayette Street as well as other planned downtown improvements, the building will be strategic in renovation efforts.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to approve a resolution purchasing 113 Lafayette for \$32,000 with funds allocated from the General Fund from Skinner Divestore, Inc.

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

Item #6. CITIZEN COMMENTS. Dwight Nash, 118 N. Jefferson, requested that the City allow extension of the water main on Grindle near James 30' east so that he could have water service to a new house he will be constructing at the northeast corner of Grindle and James.

City Manager Pasquale said it is City policy to extend water mains from lot line to lot line. In this case, the lot extends approximately 400'. Robinson stated that the City could extend the water main 60' with a hydrant and service for Nash at a total cost of \$5600. For an additional \$1100 for the property owner, Nash's cost would cover his share for the entire frontage.

In sharing the expenses for the entire 400' of the main Nash's cost would be approximately \$6700. The City's share of \$7500 includes the oversizing of the 12" main and covering properties on the south side currently serviced from James St. The cost of \$14,200 includes the extension of 12' of water main (400' x \$25/ft), a fire hydrant at \$2000, restoration \$1000 and a 1" water service \$1200.

Councilmember Thompson questioned if the neighbors had been approached to gather any interest in City water. In his experience, City Manager Pasquale said that if the well is operating adequately, there is not an inducement to seek City water. Robinson stated he would contact adjacent property owners to determine interest in City water.

Mayor Maatman felt the City should install the water main across the entire lot and not stopping at 60'.

Nash said if and when the water main was to be extended around his entire lot, he would be willing to pay his share at that time. It was the consensus of the Council to consider only the extension of the water main across the entire lot as a project.

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

Item #8. MANAGER'S REPORT. City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:

A. The Planning Commission minutes of the May 22 and

June 12 meetings were presented. At its June 26 meeting, the Commission approved a site plan from Crystal Flash for the construction of two small additions and changes to the glass storefront.

B. The City received word from the Michigan Department of Transportation that the downtown streetscape project was not selected for a Transportation Enhancement Grant (\$350,000 application). In discussing this with MDOT staff, the project was in the "just missed" category.

The City is exploring the possibility of doing part of the streetscape work in 1996 and the rest in 1997 to keep eligibility of the grant. The City has been strongly encouraged to apply in 1997.

C. The City has recently hired Don DeJong and Pat Jorgensen in the Public Works Department. While both individuals will keep flexibility to provide assistance in the DPW as needed, DeJong has a primary duty as cemetery sexton as Jorgensen has a Water Distribution. Director of Public Works Art Gall, Bob Robinson and Dan DesJarden were involved in the selection and interview process and were very helpful.

D. A letter was received from the Kent County Road Commission giving a cost estimate for the Bowes Rd. relocation. The first option was a 36 foot wide curb and gutter with 33 foot bituminous pavement estimated at \$260,000.

The second option was a 22 foot wide bituminous pavement with shoulders estimated at \$170,000.

E. City Manager Pasquale mentioned the "Buy a Brick program" for the new Lowell Library. He noted that \$5.00 buys a "brick", providing an incentive for local residents to support the building of the new library. Mailings will be sent to City of Lowell residents in the next few days, as well as all Vergennes and Lowell Township residents and various businesses.

F. A letter was received from the Fallasburg Historical Society stating plans for its first annual Covered Bridge Bike Tour for Sunday, July 16, 1995. The Society stated that part of the tour will proceed through the City of Lowell. The tour starts at 9:00 a.m. at the Fallasburg School House, and should be completed by 4:00 p.m. The tour expects between 50 - 150 riders. The City Council had no concern with this proposal.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 8:12 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: July 17, 1995

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

# MAIN ST., CONT'D.

A 12-year-old juvenile from Lowell, will be referred to probate court for retail fraud from the True Value Hardware store that occurred on July 11.

A 16-year-old juvenile, female from Muskegon will be referred to probate court for violation of curfew which occurred July 14.

Jerry Bellah, 27, of Lowell, was involved in a property damage accident July 5 at Main and Hudson Street when he backed into a vehicle driven by Jeffrey Sanderson, 44, also of Lowell.

Amy Thompson, 17, of Lowell, was injured in an accident at Main and Hudson Street July 2 when Geoff Emelander, 22, also of Lowell, failed to yield right of way and collided with a car driven by Flora Beachum, 66, of Lowell. Thompson was a passenger in Emelander's vehicle at the time.

## Management change at Larkin's

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

From a management standpoint the change has al-

### Legal Notice

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
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CLAIMS NOTICE  
INDEPENDENT PROBATE

FILE NO. 95-160,186-IE

ESTATE OF  
ILA L. SWANSON  
DECEASED  
SSN: 370-40-5484

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following: The decedent, whose last known address was 13420 CASCADE ROAD, LOWELL, MICHIGAN 49331, died 5/25/95. An instrument dated 9/29/94 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 within four months of the date of publication of this notice, or four months after the claim becomes due, whichever is later. Claims must be presented to the independent personal representative, CAROLE M. EMORY, 4283 W. TUPPER LAKE ROAD, LAKE ODESSA, MICHIGAN 48849, or both the independent personal representative and the KENT County Probate Court, GRAND RAPIDS, Michigan, 49503.

Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

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ready taken place. From a legal standpoint the change will not be official until Mike Larkin and Casey Czarnopys receive a license from the state of Michigan.

The license will denote an ownership transfer of the 1994 Class C licensed business with a dance entertainment permit at 301-303-305 W. Main.

The transfer is from Steve Larkin to C.W. Pals, Inc. (Mike Larkin and Czarnopys).

Mike Larkin began managing Larkin's and Larkin's - The Other Place just over a month ago.

The six years prior to that he owned and operated the Hook & Cook take-out restaurant (exclusively fish).

With the change in management, customers can expect to see a change in the

## Free athletic physicals offered at LHS

Lowell High School students who will be participating in athletics can receive free athletic physicals at Lowell High School. These free physicals are for returning athletes and not for first time athletes or incoming freshmen (who should schedule physicals with their family doctor for a more thorough physical).

Physicals will be held in the locker rooms at Lowell High School on Wednesday, July 26 for boys from 6 to 8 p.m. and on Wednesday, Aug.

2 for girls from 6 to 8 p.m. Students should come with completed physical cards containing medical history and parent consent signature. These cards can be picked up in the athletic office weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Physicals will be performed courtesy of Dr. Evenhouse and Dr. Mogor.

Lowell Middle School

## Lowell Light and Power crew helps Portland restore power

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Power employees left at 9 p.m. They worked in Portland until midnight, then drove back to take care of a broken line at the corner of Main Street and Hudson.

"After that we got about four hours sleep and then returned to Portland," Bellah said. Their work in Portland continued until midnight Sunday.

"Portland reported a tornado hit. Officially I am not sure if it was, but it looked like a tornado hit," Bellah said.

Bellah and Russo worked on resetting tipped poles, setting new poles, resetting wire

and running secondary wire. They also trimmed trees which had fallen and pulled down lines.

Portland will pay for the use of Lowell Light and Power's manpower and a service charge on the vehicles, as well as replace whatever equipment of Lowell Light and Power's they may have used. Bellah said Portland will also pay an overhead fee.

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Jerry Bellah and his family came in off the lake on Saturday because threatening weather was approaching. The violent weather which Bellah was hedging against did not touch down in Lowell, but it did leave its mark on Portland (about 40 minutes to the east of Lowell).

After the storm ripped through Portland, poles, lines and trees were down along with damaged homes and a trailer.

Power crews from Marshall, Eaton Rapids and Lowell were called in to help. All are a member of the Michigan Municipal Electrical Association (MMEA).

"It's for smaller companies that don't have the manpower that a Consumers Power has," Bellah said. "Through MMEA, smaller companies help one another out."

Bellah, Lowell Light and Power department supervisor, and Tom Russo, power plant supervisor, were called Saturday evening by LL&P superintendent Paul Christian to go to Portland and help.

The two Lowell Light and

Power employees left at 9 p.m. They worked in Portland until midnight, then drove back to take care of a broken line at the corner of Main Street and Hudson.

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## LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Lowell Board of Education has approved a series of "Dialogue Sessions" during the 1995-96 school year. The purpose of the sessions is for the Board and the Administration to receive public input.

The First of these "Dialogue Sessions" will take place on Monday, July 24, 1995, at 7:30 p.m. in the Runciman Administration Building - Board Room, 300 High Street, Lowell.

Your input and opinion are important to us! Please stop by to "chat."

# The Lowell Ledger's

## TV LISTING MAGAZINE

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23	USA
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26	ESPN
27	CNN
28	HN
29	NICK
30	A & E
31	PASS
32	TNT
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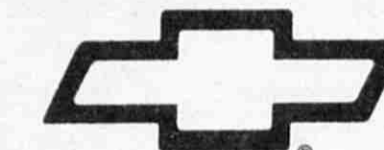
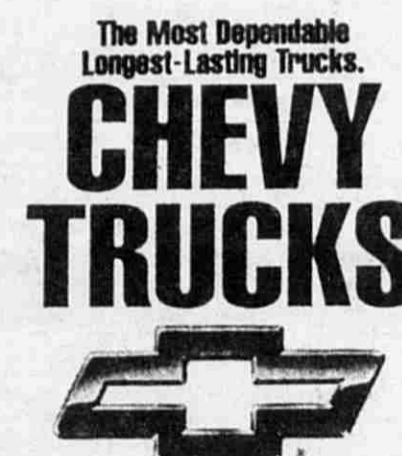


FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 21 THROUGH JULY 27

Radio personality Rush Limbaugh, who holds forth each weekday in a three-hour syndicated call-in show without guests, is profiled in Part 3 of *Naked News*, an *Investigative Reports* special airing Sunday on A&E. Other topics include the grooming of broadcast anchors and the impact of Ted Turner's CNN.

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MONDAY EVENING JULY 24, 1995. Table with columns for time slots (7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30) and rows for Broadcast Stations, Cable Stations, and Premium Stations.

MONDAY LATE NIGHT JULY 24, 1995. Table with columns for time slots (12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 1:30, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30) and rows for Broadcast Stations, Cable Stations, and Premium Stations.

TUESDAY EVENING JULY 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.

TUESDAY LATE NIGHT JULY 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.

WEDNESDAY EVENING JULY 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.

WEDNESDAY LATE NIGHT JULY 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.



THURSDAY EVENING JULY 27, 1995		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
<b>BROADCAST STATIONS</b>											
3	WVMT	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Burke's Law: "Who Killed the Tammis Aol?"	Eye to Eye (In Stereo)	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)			
4	WOTV	Highway Patrol	Top Cops (In Stereo)	Movie: "Narciss" (1985) Patricia Wettig, Premiere (In Stereo)	Peter Jennings Reporting: "Hiroshima"	News	Nightline				
5	WGVU	MacNeill/Lehrer Newshour	House to Home	Practical Sports	Michigan Out-of-Doors	Trailside: Adventure	Language of Life (In Stereo)	Waiting for God	Charlie Rose (In Stereo)		
7	WXMI	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air	Simpsons (In Stereo)	Martin (R) (In Stereo)	Living Single (R)	New York Undercover	"Garbage" (In Stereo)	Kung Fu: The Legend Continues "Eye Witness"	Cheers "The Proposal"	Murphy Brown	
8	WOOD	Extra (In Stereo)	Inside Edition	Mad About You (R)	Hope & Gloria (R)	Seinfeld (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	ER "House of Cards" (R) (In Stereo)	News	Tonight Show (In Stereo)	
6	WLNS	Entertainment Tonight	Hard Copy	Burke's Law: "Who Killed the Tammis Aol?"	Eye to Eye (In Stereo)	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)			
10	WILX	Star Trek: The Next Generation "The Outcast"	Mad About You (R)	Hope & Gloria (R)	Seinfeld (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	ER "House of Cards" (R) (In Stereo)	News	Tonight Show		
23	WKAR	MacNeill/Lehrer Newshour	Practical Sports	Wild America	This Old House (R)	Frugal Gourmet (R)	Mystery: "Prime Suspect 3" (R)	Practical Sports	Wild America (R)		
13	WZZM	Cops (In Stereo)	Current Affairs	Movie: "Kansas" (1995) Patricia Wettig, Premiere (In Stereo)	Peter Jennings Reporting: "Hiroshima"	News	News	Nightline			
17	WSYM	Simpsons (In Stereo)	Roseanne (In Stereo)	Martin (R) (In Stereo)	Living Single (R)	New York Undercover	"Garbage" (In Stereo)	Highway Patrol	Jenny Jones		
<b>CABLE STATIONS</b>											
17	TBS	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Movie: *** "Joe Kidd" (1972) Clint Eastwood, John Saxon	Major League Baseball: Atlanta Braves at Los Angeles Dodgers. From Dodger Stadium. (Live)	700 Club	Father Dowling Mysteries (In Stereo) (Part 2 of 2)				
14	FAM	Waltons "The Pin-Up"	Paradise "Treasure"	Rescue 911 (In Stereo)	In Living Color	In Living Color	Sound FX				
20	FX	Under Scrutiny	Hooperman	Hart to Hart "To Coin a Hart"	Dynasty "The Vigil"	Wings "Roy Crazy"	Wings (In Stereo)				
22	USA	Wings (In Stereo)	Murder, She Wrote "Truck Stop"	Movie: *** "Conan the Destroyer" (1984) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Witt Chamberlain	Mysterious Universe	Mysterious Universe	Magical Worlds (R)				
23	DISC	Beyond 2000	Next Step (R)	Mysterious Universe	Magical Worlds (R)	Movie Magic (R)	Know Zone (R)	Beyond 2000	Honeymooners	Simon & Simon	
29	WGN	Love Connection	Jeffersons	Movie: *** "Magnum Force" (1973, Drama) Clint Eastwood. "Dirty" Harry Callahan investigates gangland-style murders.	News	Baseball Tonight	Sportscenter				
29	ESPN	(6:30) Sportscenter	Auto Racing SCORE - Fireworks 250	Auto Racing: Thunder. From Indianapolis Raceway Park. (Live)	Press Box	This Week on DIRT	Trackside	This Week in NASCAR			
29	CNN	Moneyline	Crossfire	Primemove	Inside Politics	Larry King Live	World News	Simpson Trial	Sports Tonight	Moneyline (R)	
29	NICK	Doug (In Stereo)	Clarissa Explains It All	Dream of Jeannie	Dream of Jeannie	Dream of Jeannie	Dream of Jeannie	Taxi	Mary Tyler Moore		
20	A&E	Rockford Files "Say Good-Bye to Jennifer"	Biography: Charles Lindbergh	A&E In Concert Paul Simon, Phil Collins, Sting, Neil Young. (R)	Press Box	This Week on DIRT	Trackside	This Week in NASCAR			
31	PASS	Tigers Weekly	On Pit Road Preview	U.S. Olympic Festival Scheduled: figure skating, boxing, canoeing, kayaking. From Denver. (Live)	News	News	News	News			
27	TNT	In the Heat of the Night "The Lethal Man"	In the Heat of the Night "The Lethal Man"	Movie: *** "The China Syndrome" (1979, Drama) Jack Lemmon. A TV news crew tries to report a nuclear accident they saw. "Chernobyl-Final"							
65	NASH	(6:30) Club Dance	Country News	Loretta Lynn & Friends (In Stereo)	Music City Tonight Scheduled: Lonnie Shorr. (In Stereo)	Country News (R)	Club Dance (R) (In Stereo)				
65	SCI FI	Twilight Zone	Tales-Darkside	Quantum Leap "Runaway - July 3, 1964"	Hammer House of Horror "Rude Awakening"	Friday the 13th: The Series "The Inheritance"	Twilight Zone	Tales-Darkside			
<b>PREMIUM STATIONS</b>											
10	DISN	MMC (In Stereo)	Sinbad "Adoption"	Frog (In Stereo)	Movie: ** "The Money Pit" (1996) PG (Adult language, adult situations)	Thomas Jefferson: The Pursuit of Liberty (R)	Nixon-With David Frost				
10	HBO	Movie: *** "Rocky II" (1979), Talla Shire, Burgess Meredith (In Stereo) PG (Violence)	Movie: *** "Rocky II" (1979), Talla Shire, Burgess Meredith (In Stereo) PG (Violence)	Movie: *** "Rocky II" (1979), Talla Shire, Burgess Meredith (In Stereo) PG (Violence)	Movie: *** "Rocky II" (1979), Talla Shire, Burgess Meredith (In Stereo) PG (Violence)	Movie: *** "Rocky II" (1979), Talla Shire, Burgess Meredith (In Stereo) PG (Violence)	Movie: *** "Rocky II" (1979), Talla Shire, Burgess Meredith (In Stereo) PG (Violence)	Movie: *** "Rocky II" (1979), Talla Shire, Burgess Meredith (In Stereo) PG (Violence)	Movie: *** "Rocky II" (1979), Talla Shire, Burgess Meredith (In Stereo) PG (Violence)	Movie: *** "Rocky II" (1979), Talla Shire, Burgess Meredith (In Stereo) PG (Violence)	Movie: *** "Rocky II" (1979), Talla Shire, Burgess Meredith (In Stereo) PG (Violence)
10	MAX	(6:15) Movie: ** "Collision Course" (1987) PG	Movie: *** "Some Kind of Hero" (1982), Margot Kidder, Ray Shockey	Movie: *** "Some Kind of Hero" (1982), Margot Kidder, Ray Shockey	Movie: *** "Some Kind of Hero" (1982), Margot Kidder, Ray Shockey	Movie: *** "Some Kind of Hero" (1982), Margot Kidder, Ray Shockey	Movie: *** "Some Kind of Hero" (1982), Margot Kidder, Ray Shockey	Movie: *** "Some Kind of Hero" (1982), Margot Kidder, Ray Shockey	Movie: *** "Some Kind of Hero" (1982), Margot Kidder, Ray Shockey	Movie: *** "Some Kind of Hero" (1982), Margot Kidder, Ray Shockey	Movie: *** "Some Kind of Hero" (1982), Margot Kidder, Ray Shockey

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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 (Joined in Progress Left in Progress)					
4	WOTV	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	(Off Air)					
5	WGVU	(11:30) Charlie Rose	(Off Air)								
7	WXMI	Richard Bey	Psychic Phone Line	Bullwinkle	Jenny Jones	Charles Perez (In Stereo)	Cosby Show (In Stereo)	Golden Girls (In Stereo)			
8	WOOD	(11:35) Tonight Show	Late Night (In Stereo)	Later (In Stereo)	Paid Program	NBC News Nightside					
6	WLNS	(11:35) Late Show	Late Late Show (In Stereo)	Paid Program	Home Shopping Spree (Joined in Progress)	Home Shopping Spree (Left in Progress)					
10	WILX	(11:35) Tonight Show	Late Night (In Stereo)	Later (In Stereo)	News (R)	NBC News Nightside (Joined in Progress)					
23	WKAR	(Off Air)									
13	WZZM	Rush Limbaugh	Married...With	In the Heat of the Night "King's Ransom"	Mike & Maty	ABC World News Now (Joined in Progress)					
17	WSYM	Extra (In Stereo)	Paid Program	Movie: *** "The Murder of Mary Phagan" (1988) (Part 2 of 2) Jack Lemmon, Rebecca Miller.	(Off Air)						
<b>CABLE STATIONS</b>											
17	TBS	Major League Baseball: Braves at Dodgers	Movie: *** "Hellfighters" (1968, Adventure) John Wayne. Firefighters travel the globe battling oil-well blazes. Time Approximate.	Leave It to Beaver	Laverne & Shirley	Jeffersons					
14	FAM	Bonanza: The Lost Episodes "Riot"	Paid Program	Paid Program	700 Club	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	
20	FX	Mission: Impossible "Trial by Fury"	Vegas "Deadly Blessing"	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	
22	USA	Quantum Leap "Future Boy - October 6, 1957"	Magnum, P.I. "Forty"	American Gladiators	Movie: *** "White Lie" (1991) Gregory Hines, Bill Nunn. (In Stereo)						
23	DISC	Movie Magic (R)	Know Zone (R)	Beyond 2000	Next Step (R)	Beyond 2000	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	
29	WGN	(11:30) Simon & Simon	Honeymooners	T.J. Hooker	Fame	Movie: *** "The China Lake Murders" (1990) Tom Skerritt, Nancy Everhard					
29	ESPN	Baseball Tonight	Strongest Man	Motorcycle Racing: Netherlands Grand Prix	Racehorse Digest (R)	Sportscenter	Up Close (R)	Auto Racing: Thunder. From Indianapolis Raceway Park. (R)	Crossfire (R)	O.J. Simpson Trial Highlights	
29	CNN	Newsnight	Showbiz Today (R)	Calling All Sports	Larry King Live (R)	Overnight	Overnight	O.J. Simpson Trial Highlights	Dick Van Dyke	Bob Newhart	
20	NICK	Dick Van Dyke	Bob Newhart	Dragnet	Superman	Lucy Show	F Troop	Mary Tyler Moore	Taxi	Dick Van Dyke	Bob Newhart
20	A&E	Biography: Charles Lindbergh	A&E In Concert Paul Simon, Phil Collins, Sting, Neil Young. (R)					Law & Order "Jurisdiction"	Evening at the Improv (R)		
31	PASS	This Week in NASCAR	Major League Baseball: Oakland Athletics at Detroit Tigers. From Tiger Stadium. (R)					This Week in NASCAR	MotorSports Hour (R)		
27	TNT	(11:45) Movie: *** "Chernobyl: The Final Warning" (1991) Jon Voight.	Movie: *** "Nightbreaker" (1989) Martin Sheen, Lea Thompson.	Movie: *** "Nightbreaker" (1989) Martin Sheen, Lea Thompson.	Movie: *** "Nightbreaker" (1989) Martin Sheen, Lea Thompson.	Movie: *** "Nightbreaker" (1989) Martin Sheen, Lea Thompson.	Movie: *** "Nightbreaker" (1989) Martin Sheen, Lea Thompson.	Movie: *** "Nightbreaker" (1989) Martin Sheen, Lea Thompson.	Movie: *** "Nightbreaker" (1989) Martin Sheen, Lea Thompson.	Movie: *** "Nightbreaker" (1989) Martin Sheen, Lea Thompson.	Movie: *** "Nightbreaker" (1989) Martin Sheen, Lea Thompson.
65	NASH	Loretta Lynn & Friends (R) (In Stereo)	Music City Tonight Scheduled: Lonnie Shorr. (R) (In Stereo)	Country News (R)	(Off Air)	Movie: ** "Incident at Dark River" (1989) Mike Farrell, Helen Hunt.					
65	SCI FI	Quantum Leap "Runaway - July 3, 1964"	Hammer House of Horror "Rude Awakening"	Friday the 13th: The Series "The Inheritance"	Prisoner "Many Happy Returns"	Paid Program	Paid Program				
<b>PREMIUM STATIONS</b>											
10	DISN	(11:30) Nixon Interviews With David Frost (R)	Movie: **** "Hail the Conquering Hero" (1944), Ella Raines	Movie: "Little Lord Fauntleroy" (1995), Michael Benz, David Healy	Movie: "Son of Godzila"						
10	HBO	Shock Video 2: Crime and Punishment	Movie: ** 1/2 "The Client" (1994), Tommy Lee Jones (In Stereo) PG-13 (Adult language)	Dream On (In Stereo)	Movie: * 1/2 "Chained Heat 2" (1993), Paul Koslo (In Stereo) R						
10	MAX	(11:20) Movie: "Open Fire" (1994) (In Stereo) R	Movie: "Monolith" (1993), John Hurt (In Stereo) R (Adult language, violence)	Movie: * 1/2 "Kickboxer 4: The Aggressor" (1994) (In Stereo) R	Movie: ** 1/2 "House of Angels" (1992) R						

# TOWN TALK

Should model Elizabeth Hurley stick with or dump Hugh Grant?



**Paul Sikkenga**  
Dump him! Any man who plays around with a prostitute, I think, has that coming to him.

**Lynn Woodhead**  
Dump him! What he did was sick.



**Tricia Czarnopis**  
Dump him! No man should be messing around on his woman.

**Lucille Slowinski**  
Oh, I think she ought to stick with him. Everybody deserves a second chance.

**Pam Ruge**  
I think she should stick with him. In Hollywood they all do that stuff. I don't know why everybody is acting shocked.

**Kathy Waldron**  
Dump him - there are better men out there.



**Sharon Miller**  
Dump him! It's against God's will to do what he did or to live together.

**Jason Jones**  
I don't think she should stay with him. A hooker is a low way to go.

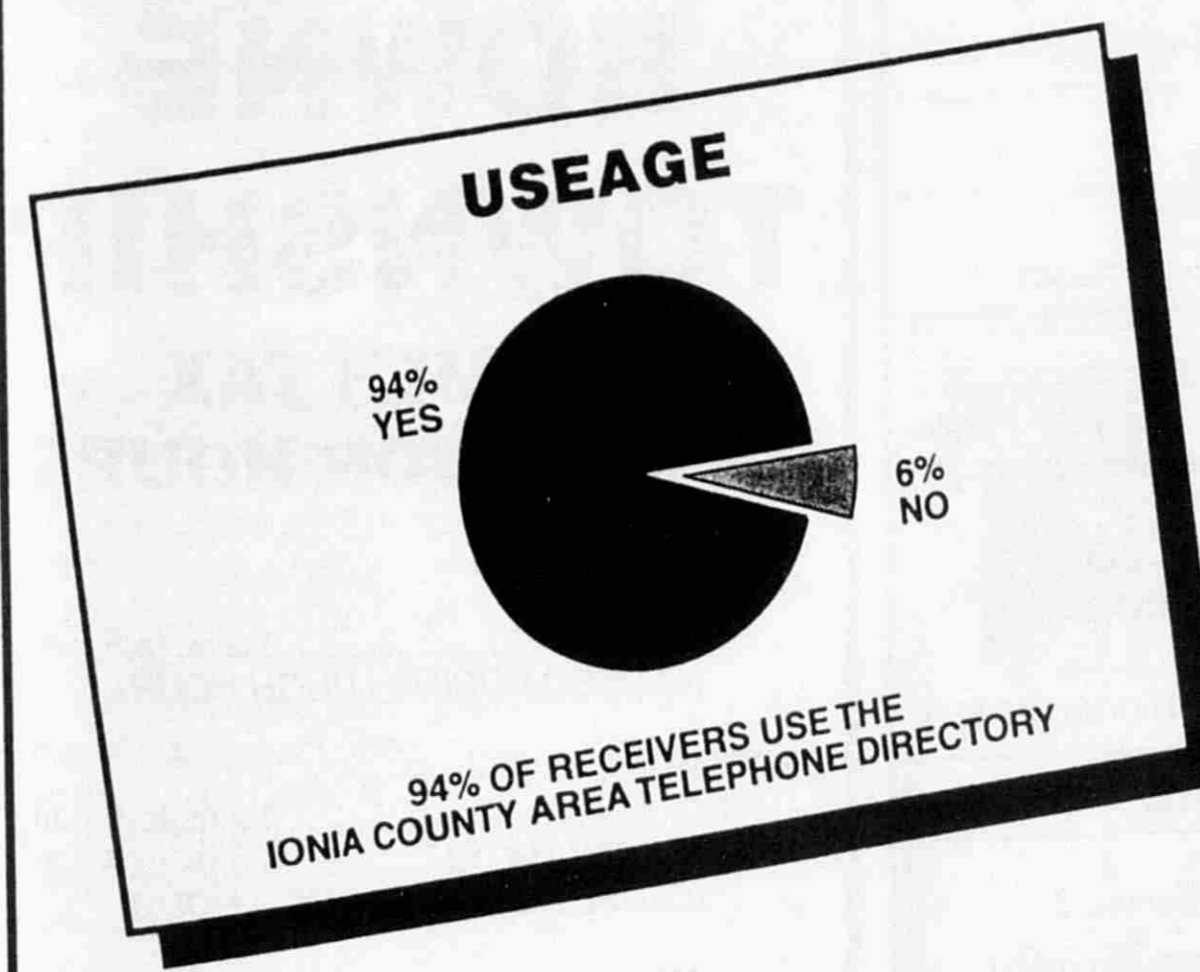
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# Ongoing city vandalism investigation brings confession

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The investigation into a rash of vandalism incidents on Broadway Street remains ongoing for the Lowell Police Department.

Investigative officer Steve Junewick said adults involved in the vandalism have not yet been served with warrants and juveniles involved have not been petitioned to juvenile court.

"I still have three more suspects I want to talk to before that can occur," Junewick said. "It's been frustrating. They are 17-20 years of age and are very fluid. They don't have an address or a telephone number."

The vandalism has occurred in front of the Lowell Branch United States Post Office, Lowell Light and Power/Lowell Cable and the Lowell Ledger/Buyers Guide/

Lowell Litho buildings. Junewick, at this point, has spoken to four adult suspects and two juvenile suspects. One of the adults questioned admitted to having a part in the vandalism. The two juveniles denied responsibility but fin-

## Domestic dispute results in felonious assault charge

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Greg Duiven, 30, 203 N. Jefferson, was arraigned in the 63rd District Court Monday on charges of felonious assault.

He was being held on a \$5,000 bond. His preliminary hearing was set for July 31.

Lowell police were called to the home of 203 N. Jefferson at about 12:20 a.m. after Duiven pointed a single shot 22-caliber rifle at his wife and mother.

Lowell Police Chief Jim Valentine said both the wife and Duiven's mother fled the premise and then called police. Lowell Police were assisted by four Kent County

officers, a two-man state unit and three officers from Ionia County.

In an effort to talk to Duiven, police tried to make phone contact with him but couldn't.

Valentine said Duiven walked out onto the porch and a little ways into the yard while police were set up around the perimeter.

"He was not carrying his gun, but was too close to the house to try to apprehend him," Valentine said. He also noted that Duiven's three- and five-year-old children were asleep in the house.

Shortly thereafter after Duiven's father-in-law arrived, Duiven invited him to come up and talk to him on the porch. It was during this conversation that Duiven turned himself over to authorities.

Valentine said they apprehended the gun, which was inside the house. The gun had no ammunition in it, but ammo was near the gun. "He walked out toward us in a calm demeanor," Valentine said.

The Lowell Police Chief said drinking may have been

gered an adult for smashing out one of the lights in front of the post office.

The Lowell investigative officer said a breaking point in the investigation came a couple of weeks ago when an adult and a juvenile were caught breaking into a vehicle parked behind the Lowell Ledger/Buyers Guide/ Lowell Litho office and charged with larceny of under \$100.

"Since the arrest, the number of vehicle break-ins and vandalism complaints has slowed considerably," Junewick said. "The investigation continues and there are several suspects."

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EVERY FOURTH WEDNESDAY: Elderly volunteers needed to participate in the

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.

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will follow business meeting and program.

THURS., AUG. 3: Vergennes Cooperative Club will meet at 1 p.m. at Schneider Manor - Catherine Hurlbut, sponsor. Program is a talk on Costa Rica by Dr. Emanuel Campos. Answer roll call with your most embarrassing moment and bring one paper good or boxed pasta for Access 6. Hostesses are Esther Clemenz, Marie Rickert and Char Siciliano.

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# Newly structured Hoops tourney geared toward serving youth

By Thad Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

YMCA "Showboat City" '95 Hoops Classic staff tournament director Kendall Klingel-Smith and YMCA director Andy Johnson had to

break a full-court press in order to insure that there would be a 3-on-3 tournament this year. Following the two-day tournament over the weekend, it appears that they not only broke the press, but

scored on a layup. The two-day tournament (July 14 & 15) played host to 49 teams (approximately 196 players). Johnson said he believes the tournament will raise between \$2,000 and

\$4,000 for the YMCA youth programs. The youth organization learned in mid May that the Knights of Columbus would not be running the tourney in 1995.

"We are very pleased with the way things went in our first year," Johnson said. "The YMCA is glad it held the tournament and looks forward to doing so again next year."

The tournament in years past has been held in mid June, however because of the timing in learning that the Knights of Columbus would not hold the tournament, the tourney had to be pushed back to July.

"The tournament will return to its mid June time slot," Johnson said. "This will allow us to promote the tournament while kids are still in school."

Johnson and the YMCA committee are set on keeping this a kids' tournament. All the adult divisions were discontinued. The YMCA di-

rector said while the adult brackets made up about 10-20 percent of the teams, they also were 80 percent of the problems in previous years.

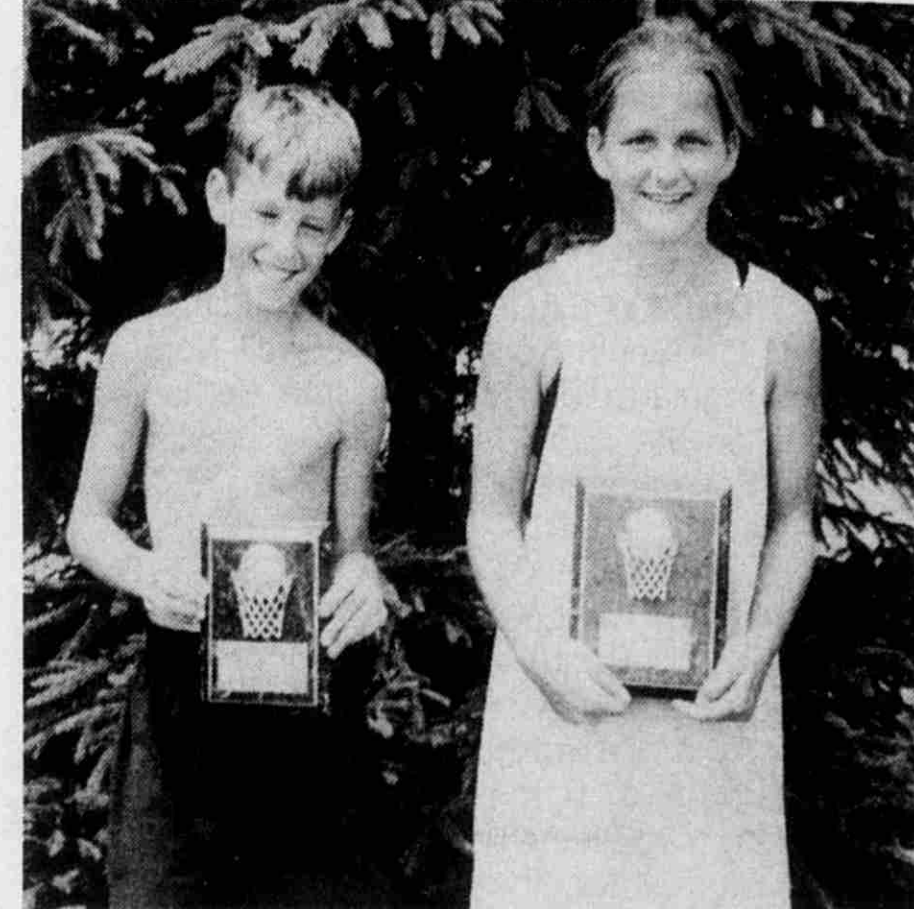
"The YMCA is a youth

Court Jesters defeated Swish 15-9 in the championship game of the 11-13-year-old division.

In the 13-14-year-old division title game, Fake Plas-



Winning the boys' 11-13-year-old division was Court Jesters. Members (left to right) are: Andy Curtis, John Webb, Nate Borth and Troy Gillan.



Pictured above are the winners of the "Showboat City" Class 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament Three-Point Shootout. They are Danny Brown (winner in the boys' division) and Heather Posthumus (winner in the girls' division).

organization and we want the tournament to be for the youth," Johnson said. "The kids really want and enjoy the tourney."

While each court has a monitor, they are not there to make any foul calls. Johnson said the monitors intervene if an argument or if a flagrant foul occurs.

A couple of areas which need some improvement are registration, and rules.

There were six boy and two girl brackets.

In the girls 10-11-year-old bracket, the Jammers defeated Woman Power 7-1 in the title game. The game was called due to its length and the heat.

Townsend won the championship game against Greased Lightning in the girls' 14-16-year-old bracket, 15-4.

In the boys' 9-10-year-old division, it was the Fab Four defeating Snuff the Rooster 12-3.

Michael's Magic (10-11-year-old division) upended Homies 12-7 in the championship game.

tic Trees bested Alsgaard 15-9.

In the most tightly contested championship (14-16-year-old), Arnett won the championship with a tough 18-16 win over Pure Net.

Amigos was crowned the champion in the 17-18-year old division, squeaking out a 15-13 win over El Pez.

Court sponsors for the 1995 tournament were FMB State Savings Bank, King Milling, Crystal Flash, Timpon Orchard, Pfaller's Clothing and Shoes, Chadalee Farms, Michigan Wire, Thomet Chevrolet, Keiser's Kitchen and The Lowell Ledger.

The corporate sponsor for the event was Family Fare Supermarkets.

"Obviously this could not have happened without the support of Family Fare and the court sponsors," Johnson said. "I also want to thank all the volunteers and the Knights of Columbus for helping us set up and for running the food booth."

## City joins GRETS and approves application for funds

A Bowes Road/M-21 project has not been approved by the Lowell City Council, but the city fathers hedged their bets Monday night as they approved an application to the Grand Rapids and Environs Transportation Study (GRETS) for federal transportation program funds.

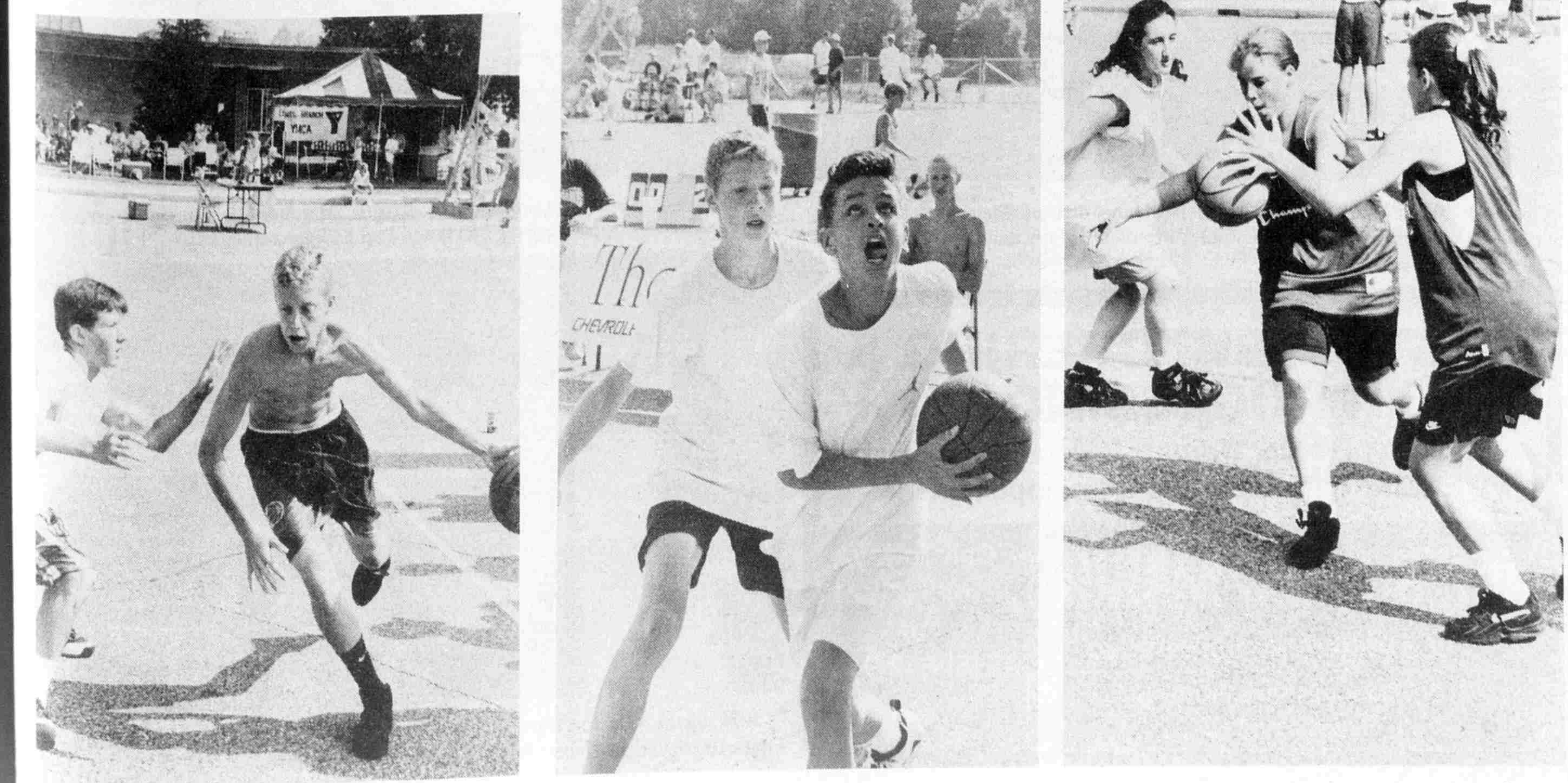
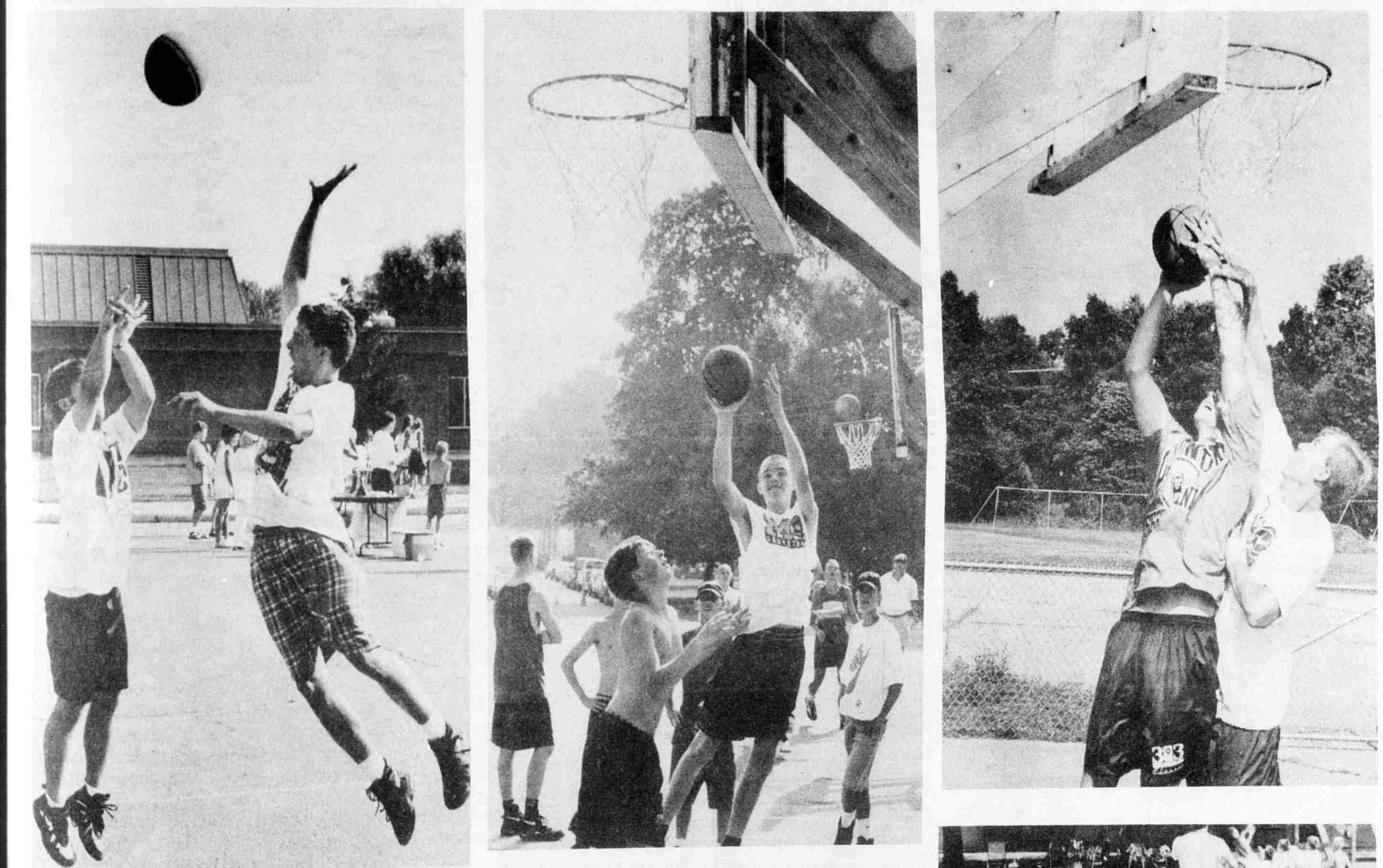
City Manager Dave Pasquale discussed possible projects with Itani. It was noted that the cost of the first 200 feet of the Bowes Road relocation from M-21 would qualify for intersection improvements. The program could fund 80 percent of the

\$20,000-\$30,000 cost. The total M-21/Bowes Road project, if approved, will cost approximately \$170,000.

An application for funds is also being secured by Lowell Charter Township. Federal transportation funds are available through GRETS. Approximately \$183,000 will be set aside for Kent County.

The City Council also approved the city joining GRETS. The cost per year is \$480. GRETS provides a regional perspective on transportation and is involved with funding issues.

# Hooping it up in heat!



**TOWNSHIP OF GRATTA  
COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN**

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF  
TOWNSHIP ORDINANCES AND  
SUMMARY OF THE REGULATORY  
EFFECT THEREOF**

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on July 10, 1995, the Township Board of the Township of Grattan adopted Ordinances to designate certain violations of existing Township ordinances to be municipal civil infractions and provide penalties for such violations. The principal provisions of the amending ordinances can be summarized as follows:

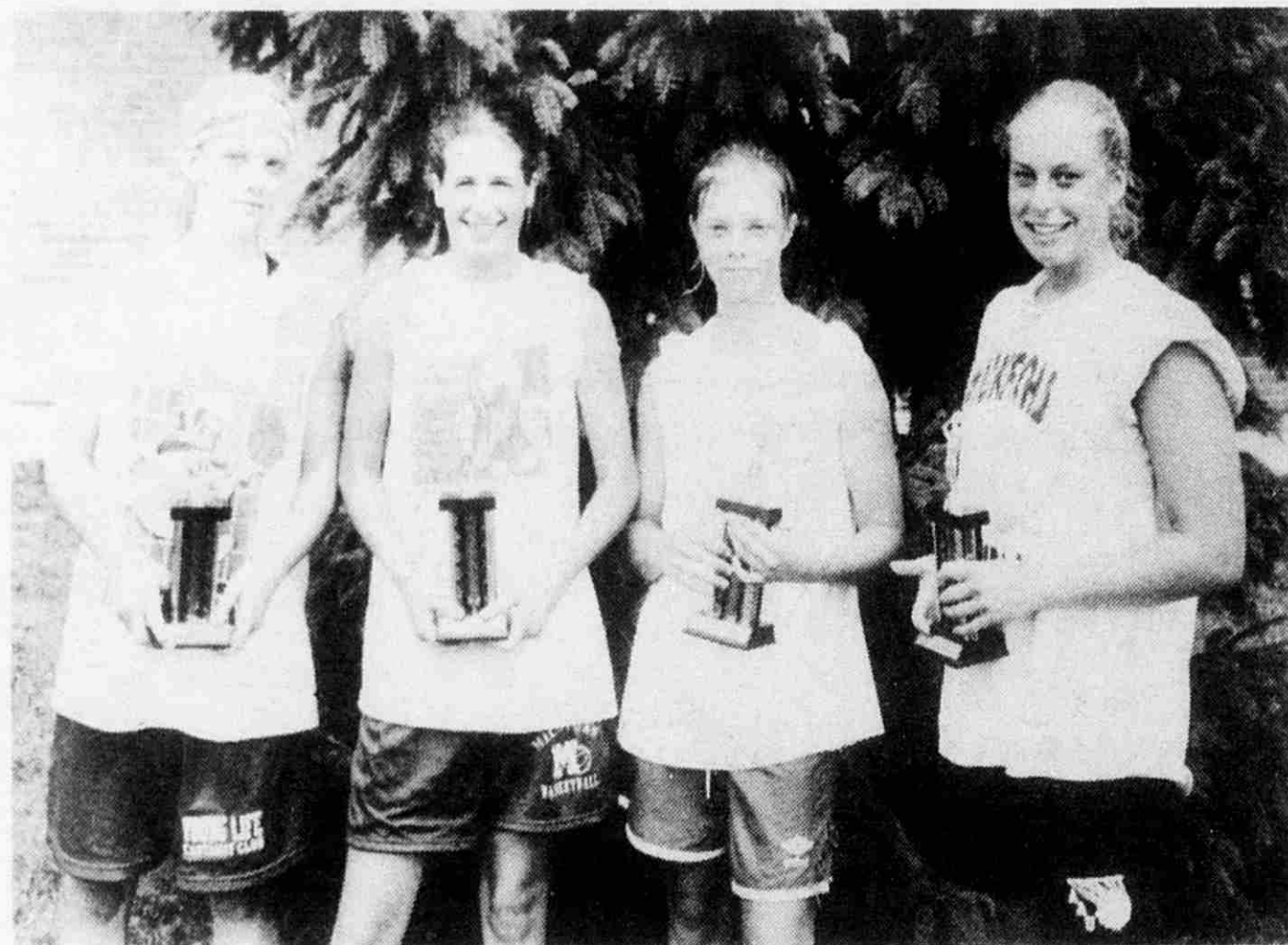
- Inoperable Motor Vehicles.** Grattan Township Ordinance No. 95-20 amends Grattan Township Uniform Ordinance No. 1, pertaining to inoperable motor vehicles, so as to make violation of the ordinance a municipal civil infraction and to provide certain penalties for first and subsequent offense violations.
- Unwholesome Substances.** Grattan Township Ordinance No. 95-21 amends Grattan Township Uniform Ordinance No. 11, pertaining to the accumulation of trash, junk, and other unwholesome substances, to make violation of the ordinance a municipal civil infraction and to provide certain penalties for first and subsequent offense violations.
- Outdoor Assembly.** Grattan Township Ordinance No. 95-22 amends the Grattan Township Outdoor Assembly Ordinance, so as to make violation of the ordinance a municipal civil infraction and to provide certain penalties for first and subsequent offense violations.
- Sewer Use.** Grattan Township Ordinance No. 95-23 amends Township Ordinance No. 78-3, pertaining to sewer use, connection and rates, to make violation of the ordinance a municipal civil infraction and to provide certain penalties for first and subsequent offense violations.
- Boat Launching and Docking.** Grattan Township Ordinance No. 95-24 amends Township Ordinance No. 92-01, pertaining to boat launching and docking, to make violation of the ordinance a municipal civil infraction and to provide certain penalties for first and subsequent offense violations.
- Septic Waste Disposal.** Grattan Township Ordinance No. 95-25 amends Township Ordinance No. 92-02, pertaining to the disposal of septic wastes, so as to make violation of the ordinance a municipal civil infraction and to provide certain penalties for first and subsequent offense violations.
- Disposal of Trash and Junk.** Grattan Township Ordinance No. 95-26 amends Township Ordinance No. 92-04, pertaining to the disposal of trash, junk and other deteriorating substances, to make violation of the ordinance a municipal civil infraction and to provide certain penalties for first and subsequent offense violations.
- Subdivision Control.** Grattan Township Ordinance No. 95-27 amends the Grattan Township Subdivision Control Ordinance, so as to make violation of the ordinance a municipal civil infraction and to provide certain penalties for first and subsequent offense violation.
- Street Numbering.** Grattan Township Ordinance No. 95-28 amends the Grattan Township Street Numbering Ordinance, to make violation of the ordinance a municipal civil infraction and to provide certain penalties for first and subsequent offense violations.
- Citations for Municipal Civil Infractions.** Grattan Township Ordinance No. 95-29 provides that the Township Supervisor is authorized to issue citations for violations of Township ordinances designated to be municipal civil infractions. The Township Building Official is authorized to issue citations for violations of Township Building Code provisions. The Township Zoning Administrator is authorized to issue citations for violations of the Township Zoning Ordinance.
- Building Codes.** Grattan Township Ordinances Nos. 95-30, 95-31, 95-32, and 95-33 amend Township Ordinances Nos. 94-02, 94-03, 94-04, and 94-05, pertaining to the Township Plumbing, Mechanical, Electrical and Building Codes, respectively, so as to provide that violation of certain provisions of said Codes shall be municipal civil infractions and to provide penalties for first and subsequent offense violations. Failure to comply with stop work orders issued by the Township Building Official shall be a misdemeanor punishable as provided in said ordinance.
- Effective Date.** The Building Code amendments shall take effect 90 days after their adoption or 90 days after a certified copy of the ordinances are filed with the State Construction Code Commission. All of the other above-described ordinances shall take effect 30 days after this publication.

A copy of the amending ordinances may be examined or purchased at the offices of the Grattan Township Clerk, 11676 Old Belding Rd., Belding, Michigan, during normal business hours.

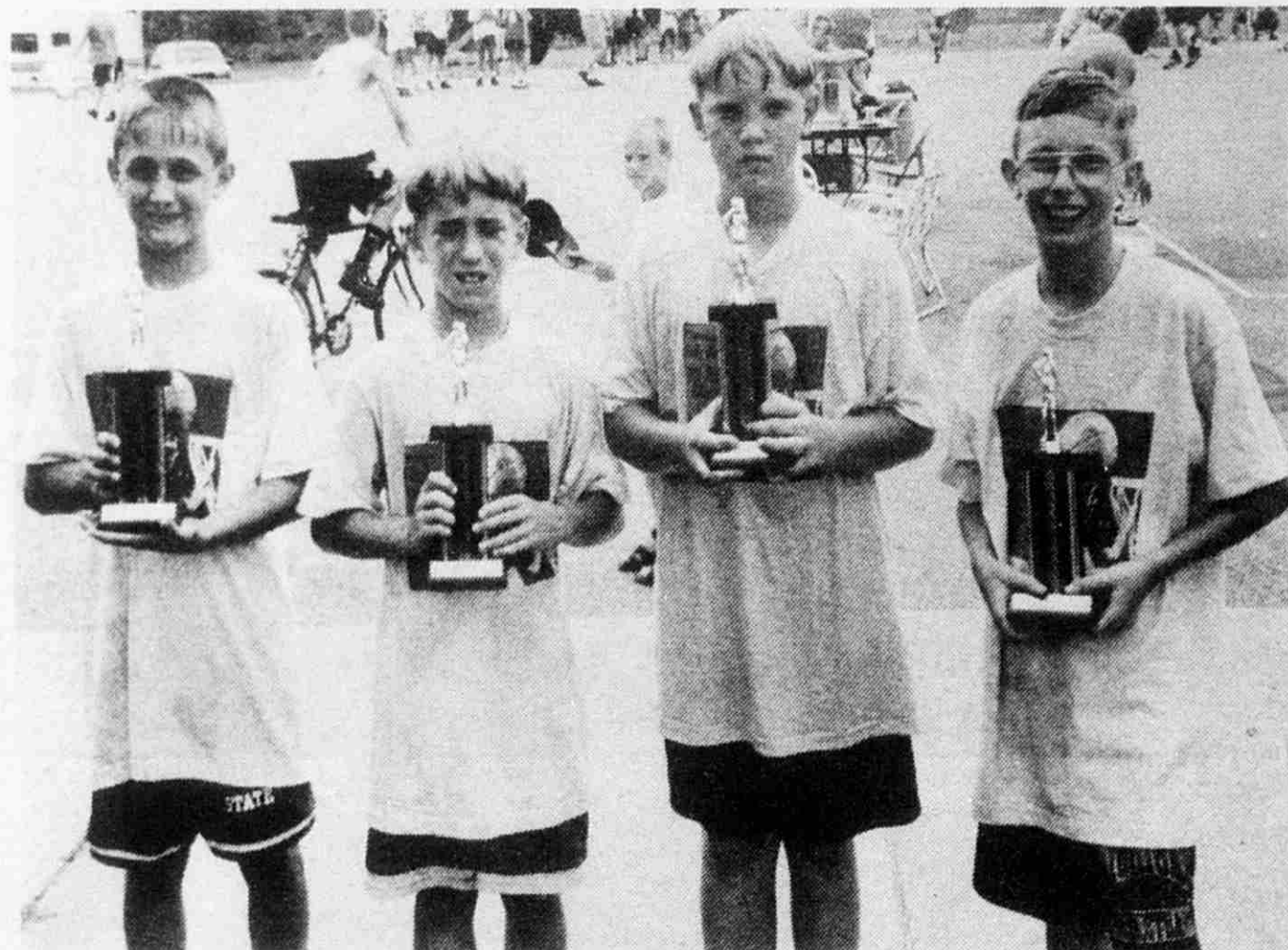
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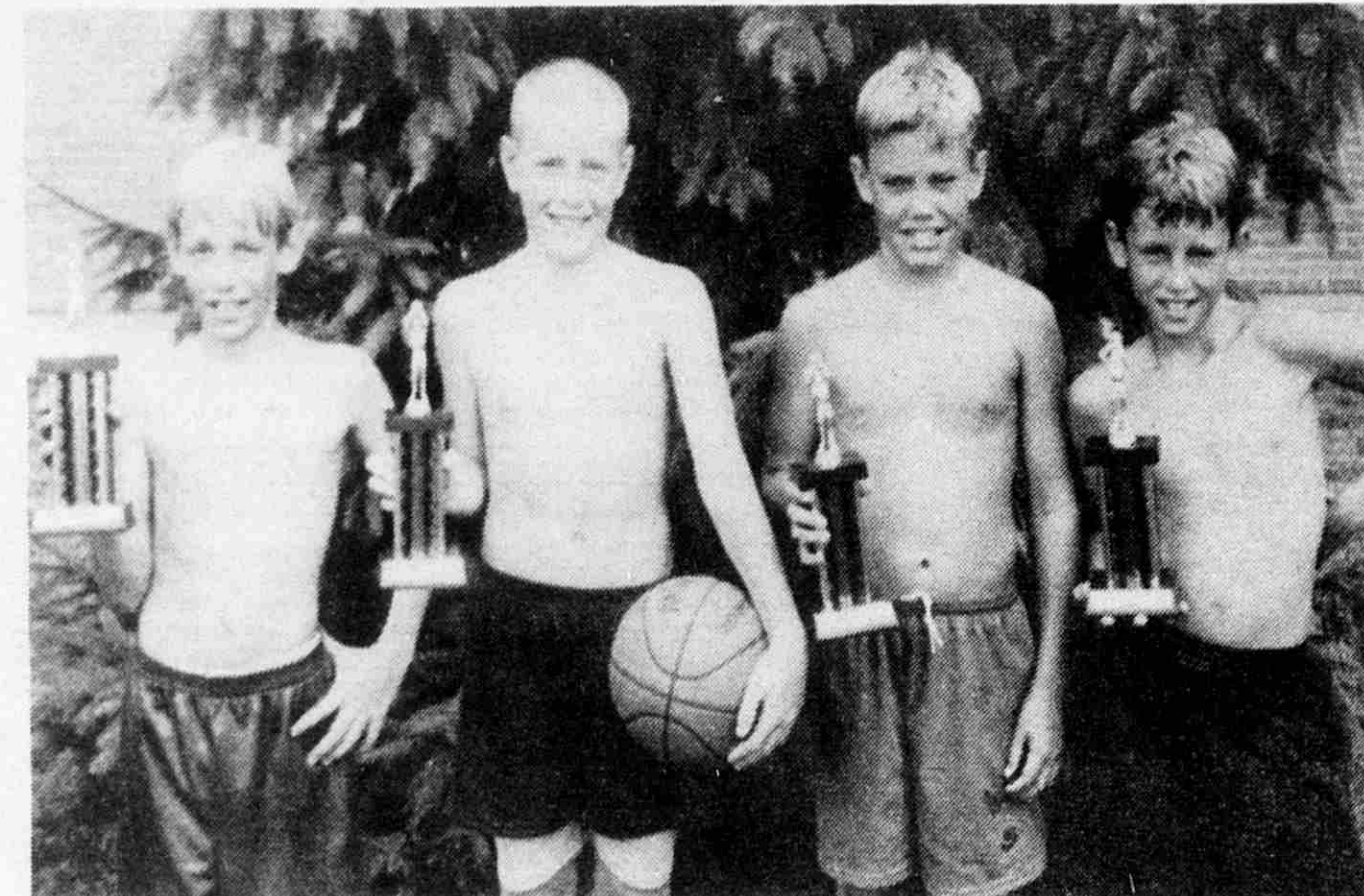
# 1995 Hoops tournament champions



Townsend won the 14-16-year-old girls' division. Members (left to right) are: Christy Townsend, Leslie Palmer, Courtney Townsend and Devney Pieuss.



The winning team in the 9-10-year-old boys' division was Fab Four. Members (left to right) are: J.J. Wilder, Travis Gillan, Landon Trierweiler and Craig Carpenter.



Michael's Magic Men won the 10-11-year-old boys' division. Members (left to right) are: Justin VanSpronsen, Michael Fosburg, Brandon DuPrey and Danny Brown.



Winning the boys' 13-14-year-old division was Fake Plastic Trees. Members (left to right) are: Kyle Hoffman, Caleb Moore, John Purins and Jason Alber.



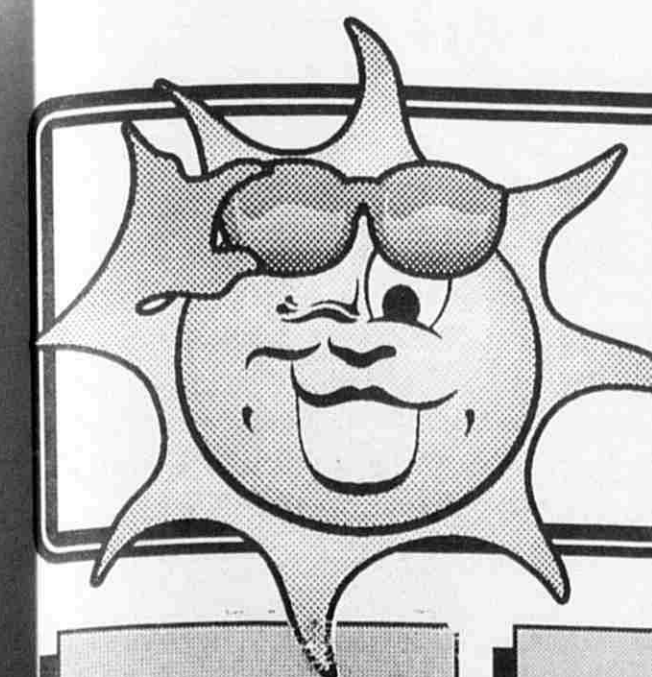
The winning team in the 14-16-year-old boys' division was Arnett. Members (left to right) are: Nick Arnett, Brian Ballast, Sam Himmelspach, and Pat Cleland.



Amigos won the 17-18-year-old boys' division. Members (left to right) are: Matt Carstens, Jeremy Oppewal, Greg Stortz and Phil Killingham.



Winning the girls' 10-11-year-old division was Jammers. Members (left to right) are: Laura Horsley, Erin Weber, Jenny Wagner, and Renee Fox.



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### ATTENTION CRAFTERS

Last chance if you wish to participate in the 1995 Christmas thru Lowell. For application call Jodi at 897-8829 or Diane at 897-6919. Your show will be on Nov. 17, 18 & 19 in participating homes around Lowell.

### SALES

**GARAGE SALE** - Sat., July 22, only, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., 54 Flat River Dr., (Old 91). All items like new. Table & chairs, TV, lamps, tools, pictures, cassettes and arts & crafts.

**SALE** - 7351 Bronson, Ada. Sat., July 22. Contemporary beige couch, antique cherry dining tables, ladder-back side chairs, electric dryer, 2 touring bikes, wood garden bench, 2 patio tables, cast-iron wood heat stove, smoker/cooker grill & much more.

**THE ALTO PTO** - will be holding a bake sale on Thurs., July 20 from 10-2 at the Kountry Korner on Linfield Street in Alto. Home-baked goods of all kinds & snow cones & cotton candy will be on sale while supplies last. If you would like to donate a baked good, contact Becky Moschetti at 868-6207.

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# Bleke continued.... From Page 1

Bleke said. The new superintendent said he believes the MEAP is an excellent and very important test. "I think we need to prepare kids to do those things that are on the test. I also think by doing that we help prepare them for college and life." In recent years the school district has been criticized for not putting enough emphasis on the test. Bleke said things will be different.

He believes there are three things that must be in place to show the community that an emphasis is being placed on students doing well on the MEAP. They include an attitude that MEAP is important; making sure that the curriculum and instructional methodology aligns with the MEAP; and preparing students to take the MEAP.

"The state uses the MEAP as a tool to evaluate school systems. It must be used to provide focus and direction for curriculums," he said.

Bleke's views and changes in the running of the board meeting have been met openly by both the board and public.

Citizens' comments have been limited to five minutes at the beginning of the meeting. Along with that a second meeting has been added. This will be used to provide time for the community to discuss issues with the board and administrators.

"I called people who have taken an active role in the board meetings and explained that I thought the board and the community were frustrated by the previous system. It did not bring about true positive discussion. It served as an irritation to both sides," Bleke said.

He would also like to see board meetings last no longer than an hour - hour and 45 minutes. "This would have to happen without inhibiting the good exchange of ideas," Bleke said.

Hot plate items which Bleke has to deal with include enhancement mills and what to do with the remaining bond money that was not used (\$1.2 million).

"I will make a recommendation to the board within the next three weeks on the issue of enhancement mills," Bleke said. "A recommendation on the bond issue funds will come after we've gone through a process."

## Vergennes United Methodist Church welcomes new pastor

By Thad Kruas  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Some may find Pastor David Stout's use of sitcom and movie clips during worship and study sessions a little unorthodox.

However, there is nothing unorthodox about the liturgical success he has found through the method.

"My focus as a pastor is to help people experience Jesus and live a life of love and faith," said Stout, Vergennes United Methodist Church's new pastor. He is also the church's first full-time pastor in its 150 years of existence.

Stout joined the church on July 1. Prior to his Vergennes appointment, Stout spent 3 1/2 years at Church of Master, a reform church in Warren, MI. Before going to Warren, he spent 6 1/2 years in Rochester, N.Y.

Stout grew up in Buchanan, MI. He earned his bachelor's degree at Western Michigan University before getting his

Master of Divinity from the Western Theological Seminary in Holland, MI.

"It's quite a change from Warren to Vergennes," Stout said. "However, Vergennes United Methodist Church has more members."

"I have found the people in Vergennes to be warm and outgoing," Stout said. "Actually, I have gotten more of a sense of a neighborhood here in Vergennes than in Warren. I think that's because people living in cities tend to stay to themselves more."

His charge is to find out where his congregation is spiritually and to focus on their life issues. He will also focus on outreach and community involvement.

Stout says he has used clips from movies and sitcoms (e.g. Mighty Ducks, Mission, and Married With Children).

"I am excited to be here and excited about the potential here at Vergennes United Methodist Church," Stout said.

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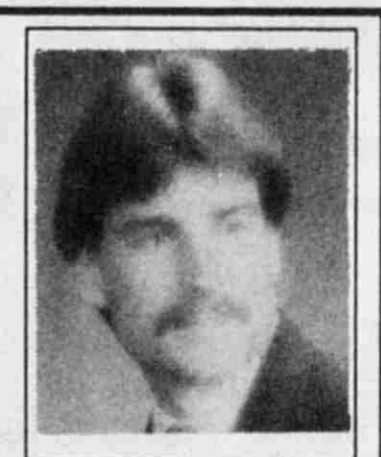
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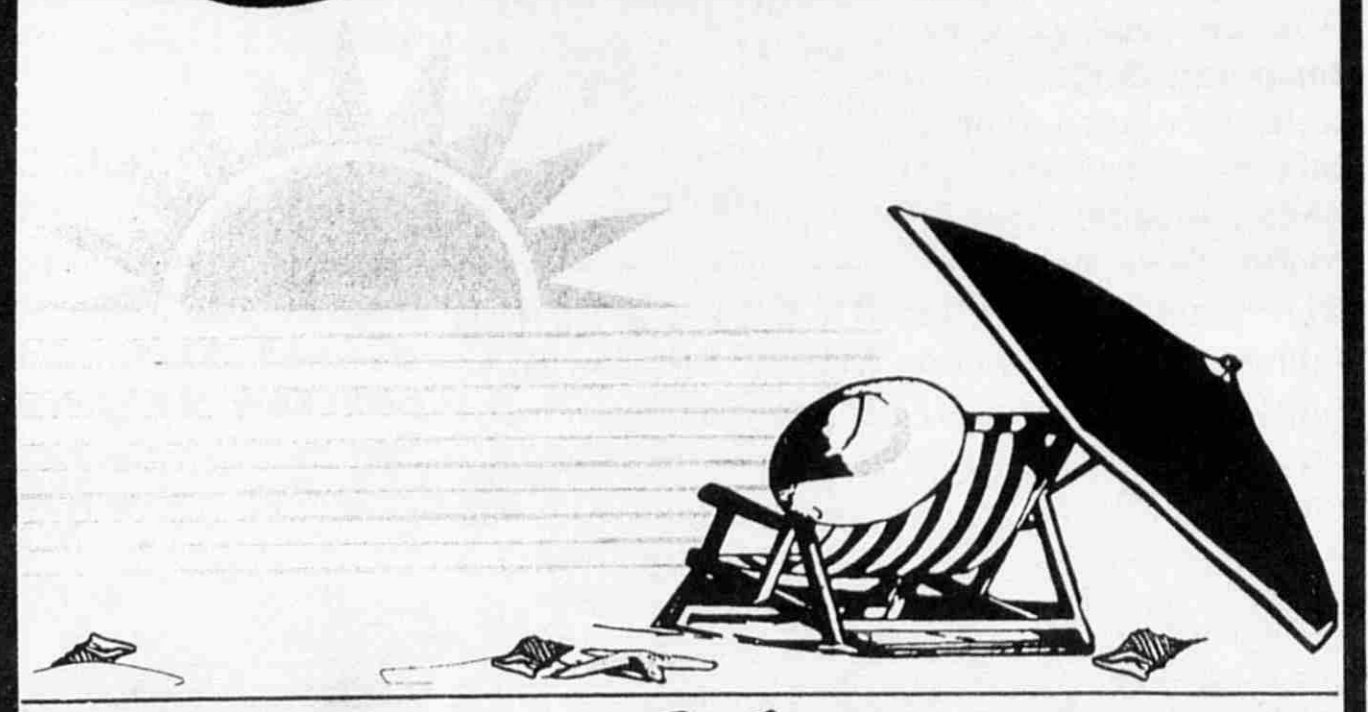
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