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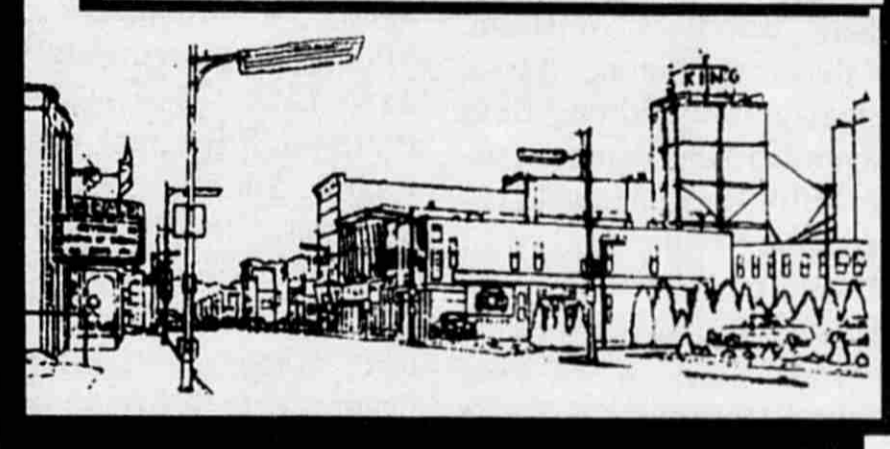
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Along Main Street



LOWELL LITTLE LEAGUE BOARD MEETINGS

The Lowell Little League will be holding its board meetings on Wednesday, Jan. 10 and Wednesday, Jan. 24 at 7 p.m. in the Key Heights community building.

LMS DRAMA CLASS PRESENTS "GONE WITH THE BREEZE"

The Lowell Middle School eighth-grade drama class will present "Gone With The Breeze" on Thursday, Jan. 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the new middle school cafeteria at 750 Foreman.

Don't miss this free evening of entertainment.

PTO CARNIVAL

The Lowell Elementary PTO is holding its "Winterfest" school carnival on Saturday, Jan. 13 from 1 to 4 p.m. also featured during the carnival will be a raffle with prizes donated by local businesses.

All proceeds will be used to purchase playground equipment for Bushnell School.

TEEN CHALLENGE TO VISIT CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER

Christian Life Center will be presenting Western Michigan Teen Challenge on Sunday, Jan. 14 at 10:30 a.m. Students will be sharing their life stories and how they experienced a total life change by acceptance of Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior.

A pot luck dinner will follow the service. Christian Life Center is located at 3050 Alden Nash S.E., Lowell.

HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Visiting Nurse Services needs volunteers for Hospice patients in their neighborhood. Help is needed two hours per week doing homemaker services or errands and shopping.

General orientation is on Monday, Jan. 15. Call Sue or Elaine at 774-2702 or 1-800-774-2702.

YMCA ADULT VOLLEYBALL

Starting Jan. 10, the YMCA will be offering open adult volleyball from 7 - 9 p.m. on Wednesday evenings at the Lowell Middle School. The session will run thru April 24 with the exception of Jan. 24. The cost is \$2 per person, per time.

LACC QUARTERLY MEETING

The Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a quarterly meeting January 10 at FMB State Savings Bank, 414 E. Main St. at 7 p.m.

Come and meet the 1996 Board of Directors and enjoy an informative program, *Business Advisory - School to Work*. You need not be a member to join us. R.S.V.P., Liz Baker at 897-9161.

HOME SNOWMOBILE SAFETY COURSE

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources will be offering a snowmobile home study course for anyone 12 years or older who would like to earn a snowmobile safety certificate.

In Kent County the course test will be held at the Flat River Snowmobile Club, 11841 Potters, Lowell on January 13, 1996 at 9 a.m. To participate, please contact the DNR t 616-456-5071 or 350 Ottawa N.W., Grand Rapids, MI by Dec. 31, 1995.

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP

The Lowell support group for family members and friends of Alzheimer's disease patients will meet Wednesday, Jan. 3 at Cumberland Retirement Village, 11535 E. Fulton at 6:30 p.m. Interested persons may contact group leaders Betty Wiley, 897-4810 or Lynne Bylsma, 897-0200.

The meeting is free and open to the public. On-site respite care provided. Please call 897-0200 ahead of time to arrange. For more information contact the Chapter at (616) 949-7890 or 1-800-722-2516.

A Word From the Wise

16-year veteran of the Vergennes Township Planning Commission, Gil Wise says this term will be his last. He plans to act as a township consultant

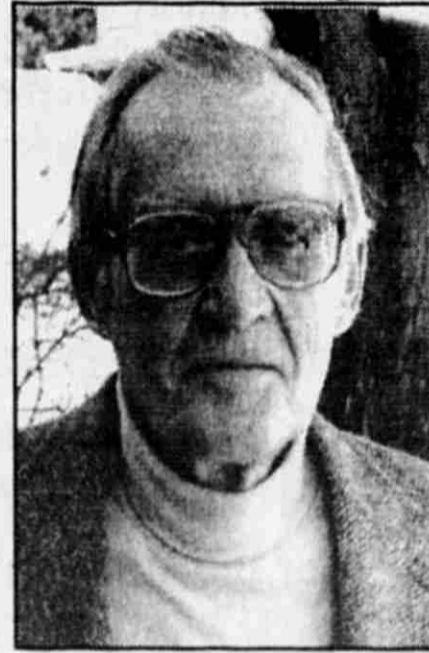
By Marc Popiolek
Contributing Writer

Vergennes Township has grown significantly during the past few years and nobody has witnessed that growth more than Gil Wise.

As a 16-year member of the township's planning commission, Wise has virtually seen it all.

However, that will soon come to an end as he is no longer an official member of the commission; instead, he will act as a consultant.

"I shouldn't have stayed that long," he said, "but the commission had some vacancies and there were a lot of hot issues to be handled so I stayed on."



Gil Wise

A firm believer in term limits, Wise said he informed the planning commission two years ago that this would be his last term on the commission.

Lowell Township looks to private organizations for additional park funds

By Marc Popiolek
Contributing Writer

With the completion of a five-year recreation plan, the Lowell Charter Township can now turn its attention to acquiring funds to purchase land for a park.

The township has entertained thoughts of purchasing more than 70 acres of land, owned by Wayne Norton, for the purpose of building a park, but the two sides can't agree on a price.

"We have a grant that provides 75 percent of the funds on the acceptable appraised value of the land," said township supervisor John Timpson. "Our appraisal came in at \$610 (per acre) and he is asking for \$1,300. Needless to say, there is a substantial shortfall on our part to come up with the funds."

While the township was working to update its plan, Norton informed the board of his plans to put the land up for sale on the open market.

Timpson said he doesn't begrudge Norton's efforts and said if he can get his asking price, then it validates his efforts.

"If he can get his price, then that's fine with us," he said.

Norton said his plans are not a threat to the township, but just a way to put the situation to rest.

If the township had not completed the recreation plan by Jan. 1, it could have lost more than \$49,000 in state grant funds. However, that is no longer an issue with the updated plan, which is good for another five years.

With the plan complete, Timpson said his board can now present a plan to private organizations for the additional funds.

"We will not use more public funds," he said. "Our list of foundations, I believe, includes Amway, Steelcase and Meijers."

If the township is able to acquire the funds, Timpson said the board's next action will be to create a plan to develop the land.

Preliminary plans include the construction of softball fields, hiking trails and picnic facilities.

Recently, the board hasn't been able to give the park plan its full attention because of construction efforts at the new township hall.

"Once we get this hall project completed, we'll work on our budget and look at the park project," Timpson said.

"Nobody should feel they own their position, and I don't think anybody does, but it was time to move on," Wise said.

Originally born and raised in Grand Rapids, Wise moved to Vergennes Township after spending 14 years in Washington D.C.

As a veterinarian, Wise has worked most of his career with the federal government and believes being a part of one's local government is very important.

"A lot of people complain about their local government but do nothing to improve it," he said. "That is nothing new. In most places 10 to 15 percent of the people take an interest in their government while the rest just complain."

When Wise joined the commission in 1980, he said the commission met only four times a year compared to the current 12 times.

"The state law said we had to meet at least four times a year, so a lot of times we met to fulfill that criteria," Wise said. "But now they meet once a month, sometimes twice, because the township has grown."

Wise attributes that growth to people's desire to live in the country and to the cost of land in the area.

"Land here is much cheaper than to the west and

us. A lot of people can't afford to buy land in Ada or Cascade, so they move here," he said.

Wise doesn't feel there were any drawbacks to being on the commission; instead he believes it's one of the most interesting local governmental bodies.

"You have no real authority on the planning commission. You hear each individual situation and make a recommendation to those who do have authority," he said. "We evaluate and forward a recommendation to the elected body. It makes their job a lot easier because they are filling the need in which they were elected and don't have time for everything."

Stepping away from active involvement with the commission doesn't mean Wise is about to take it easy.

He plans on working on several projects which he has put aside, as well as helping Vergennes Township officials with certain issues.

"I'll be doing staff support work, preparing paperwork and researching items," he said.

Wise's replacement is also no stranger to the governmental workings of the township.

Carol Nauta has been appointed to Wise's position and

Wise, cont'd. pg. 6

Lowell woman killed in New Year's Day crash

A Lowell woman was killed Monday after her truck crossed the center line at Lincoln Lake Ave. and Old 14 Mile Road.

Karry Ruth Waldorf, 25, of Lowell, was southbound in her truck when it crossed the center line, left the roadway and impacted a pine tree on the east side of the road.

Waldorf was treated at the scene by Oakfield Rescue and Rockford Ambulance. She was transported to Butterworth Hospital, where she was pronounced dead at 8:52 p.m.

Waldorf suffered closed head and internal injuries.

Deputy Aaron Bowser said Waldorf was not wearing a seatbelt and it is believed alcohol may have been a contributing factor.

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OBITUARIES

BIRD - Mr. James Bird, aged 74, of Grand Rapids, went Home to be with the Lord on Sunday morning, December 31, 1995. Mr. Bird was a retired machinist of McDonald World Wide, a veteran of WWII, a graduate of Creston High School, Class of 1938, and a member of Disabled Veteran's Chapter #33 and Creston Memorial Post VFW #3023. While in the service, he received the Purple Heart.

the Distinguished Service Cross, the Silver Star, and two Bronze Stars. Mr. Bird is survived by his children, Michael and Glenna Bird of Grand Rapids, Marlene and Ron Rice of Ada, and Gary and Sherry Bird of Grand Rapids; a special daughter-in-law Sharie Bird of Rockford; his grandchildren James D. and Pam Bird, Nathan, Eric and Kyle Rice, Michael J., Amanda, Scott, David and Dennis

Bird; his brothers and sisters, Leo and Thelma Bird of Lowell, Dr. Gerald and Pat Bird of Marne, Madonna and Wesley Bigelow of Ada, Edward and Arlene Bird of Marne; his sisters-in-law Merrie Bird and Ann Bird both of Grand Rapids and Kay and Ray Erickson of Chantilly, VA; and nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife Ruth on July 15, 1994; a son James G. Bird in November of 1968; and an infant daughter. The Service for Mr. Bird will be held Wednesday afternoon (today) at 1 p.m. at the Pederson Funeral Home, Rockford with Dr. Wilbur Closterhouse and Pastor Howard Collver officiating. Interment will be in Rockford Cemetery. Military Honors will be offered by the Kent County Veteran's Honor Guard. Those planning an ex-

pression of sympathy are asked to consider Downes Syndrome Association or the American Lung Association.

FLIER - Mr. John Flier, of Lowell, passed away Tuesday, December 26, 1995. Funeral Services were held Thursday at the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans Chapel.

KIDDER - Mrs. Catherine Kidder, aged 70, of Alto, went to be with her Lord, Wednesday, December 27, 1995. She is survived by her husband, Arnold; her sister Mary Corrigan; her brother Hugh Corrigan; her brother-in-law and sister-in-law Carroll and Donna Kidder; her nieces Cara Kidder, Debra and Leroy Yahne, Lori and Jack Proulx; her nephew David and Patty Kidder. The Mass of Christian Burial was offered Satur-

day at Holy Family Catholic Church with Rev. Fr. Raymond Bruck Celebrant. Interment Alaska Cemetery. The family requests memorial contributions be made to Holy Family Church.

MARSH - Louise W. Marsh, aged 85, of Lowell, formerly Wyoming, died December 28, 1995. She was preceded in death by her husband William and grandsons Alan and John Heagle. She is survived by her children Yvonne and Wesley Heagle of Lowell, William and Alice Marsh of Alto; grandchildren Leslie and Gary Boomers, William, Valerie and Sarah Marsh; great-grandchildren, Benjamin and Sarah Boomers; sister Millie Rose of Lowell; sister-in-law Millie Atwood of Rockford. Funeral Services were held Tuesday with Rev. Gordon Barry of the First United Methodist Church of Lowell officiating. Interment Fairplains Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Western Michigan. Arrangements by O'Brien-Eggebeen-Gerst.

RITTENGER - Mrs. Harold (Lucille Mae) Rittenger, aged 88, of Alto, passed away December 31, 1995. She was born March 24, 1907, to Mr. and Mrs. Harley Taylor of Burlin, near Saranac. She married Harold Rittenger on June 20, 1929. They celebrated 57 years together before he passed away on July 2, 1986. She is survived by her children Patricia (Stewart) Thomet, Bruce (Cheryl) Rittenger, all of Alto, sister-in-law Kathryn Taylor of Saranac; grandchildren Debra Mae (David) Galbreath, Steve

(Ruth) Thomet, Mark and Scott Rittenger, four great-grandchildren, several nieces and nephews. Funeral Services will be held Wednesday (today) at 2 p.m. at Roth-Gerst Chapel, Rev. Bryan Thomas-Schneider of Alto United Methodist Church, officiating. Interment Bowne Center Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alto Fire Department or to Alto United Methodist Church. Arrangements by Roth-Gerst, Lowell.

ROBBINS - Mrs. Helen (Schondelmayer) Robbins, aged 74, formerly of Middleville, passed away Friday, Dec. 29, 1995 at Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids. Surviving are two daughters, Judith (Harold) Seese of Caledonia, Charleen (Willard) Smart of Lowell; three granddaughters Lorie Conrad, Beth Smart, Melissa Baker; two grandsons Lloyd Seese, Jeffrey Smart; ten great-grandchildren. Funeral and Committal Services were held Tuesday at the Beeler Funeral Chapel, Middleville. Interment Mt. Hope Cemetery, Middleville.

WATSON - Mabelle I. Watson, aged 76, of Lowell, died Friday, December 29, 1995. She was preceded in death by her husband DeWayne L. Watson Sr. She is survived by her children Beverly Edwards of Grand Rapids, DeWayne Jr. (Leola) Watson of Lowell, James Watson of Greenville; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Private Service will be held. Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

VERGENNES TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Vergennes Township Board meetings for 1996 are scheduled as follows:

January 15	July 15
February 19	August 19
March 25	September 16
April 15	October 21
May 20	November 18
June 17	December 16

The board meets the third Monday of every month at the Township Hall at 10381 Bailey Dr. at 7 p.m. Phone 897-5671.

The Planning Commission meetings for 1996 are scheduled as follows:

January 2	July 1
February 5	August 5
March 4	September 3
April 1	October 7
May 6	November 4
June 3	December 2

All Planning Commission meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the Township Hall.

The Zoning Board of Appeals meets as required or requested.

Gerald Roark - Building Inspector...676-9191 ext. 43
Butch Visser - Electrical/Mechanical Inspector... 949-3765 or 676-0302
Dave Cooley - Plumbing Inspector...949-3765
Dave Murray - Zoning Officer...676-2692

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If there are any questions, please contact Denny's Disposal 691-8530.

Betty R. Morlock
Deputy City Clerk

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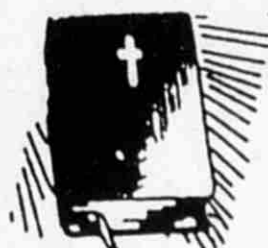
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Homespun Devotions

By Pauline Spray

...he will beautify the meek with salvation (Psalm 149:4).

"I wish I were pretty." I used to say to my mother when I was a teenager.

Invariably she'd answer, "Oh, you're pretty enough. If you were any prettier the boys would all be chasing you."

That, I might add, wasn't the consolation I was seeking, although now I understand why she answered me as she did.

"Beauty is as beauty does" - so goes the old saying. A beautiful youngster can cause much unpleasantness if he is rude and unruly. On the other hand, the plainest child can bring joy to many if he has a sunny smile and a loving disposition.

When an elderly Quaker woman with a beautiful complexion was asked what kind

of cosmetic she used, she replied: "I use for my lips, truth; for my voice, prayer; for my eyes, pity; for my hands, charity; for my figure, uprightness; for my heart, love."

In answer to her response, another has added, "This prescription can be filled without expense and the supply will increase with continued use."

"We can be beautiful!"
Prayer: O Lord, I yield myself unto Thee. Let Thy perfect love possess and control me. May Thy beauty be seen in me today and always. Amen.

No life is so lovely and enticing as one that is sweet and mellow and holy with the very elixir of heaven exuding from its daily conduct.

L.B. Hicks

AREA BIRTHS

Gerald and Kim Hale would like to announce the joyous birth of Paige Nicole Hale. She was born December 21, 1995 weighing 8 lbs. 4 oz.

She is welcomed home by sister Alicia and brother Shaun. Proud grandparents are Roger and Muriel Hale of Lowell and Ken and Elaine Dykhuus of Alto.

LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS LUNCH MENU

Week Of Jan. 8, 1996

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MONDAY: Ravioli or burrito, corn, French bread with margarine or peanut butter, assorted fruit, milk.

TUESDAY: Cheeseburger in a bun, (Catsup, mustard, pickles), tater tots, fresh or canned fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with gravy, homemade dinner roll with margarine or peanut butter, gelatin or fruit, milk.

THURSDAY: Pizza with meat, cheese and pepperoni, fruit juice, carrot sticks and dip, chocolate pudding or fruit, milk.

FRIDAY: Grilled cheese sandwich, lettuce salad, baked beans, canned or fresh fruit, milk.

HIGH SCHOOL & MIDDLE SCHOOL

MONDAY: Ravioli or burrito or chef salad, Choose Two: corn, side salad, fruit juice, French bread with margarine or peanut butter, assorted fruit, milk.

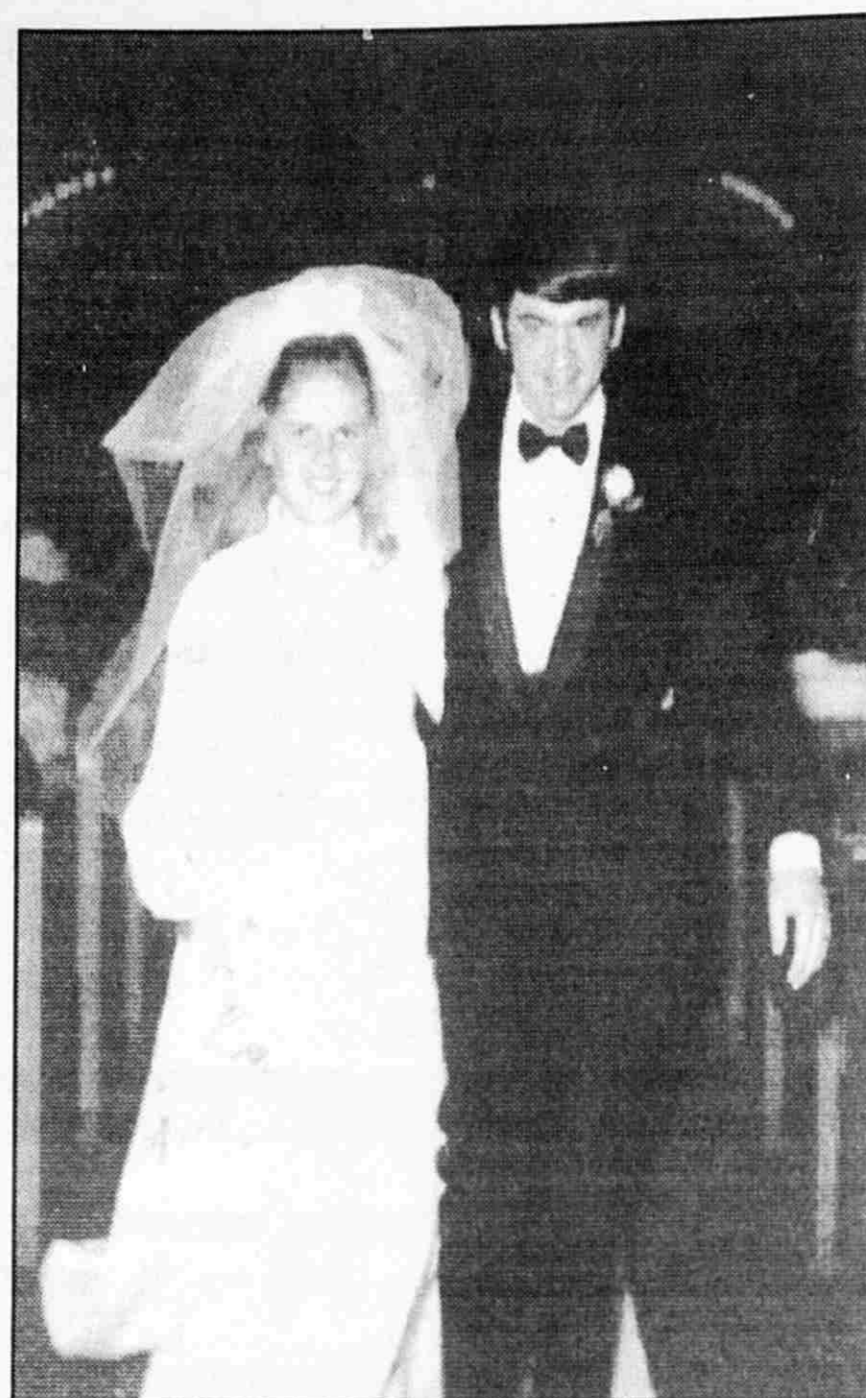
TUESDAY: Cheeseburger in a bun or chili dog on a bun or chef salad with bread, Choose Two: Steak fries, side salad, carrot sticks, fresh or canned fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Chicken nuggets or Swiss steak or chef salad, Choose Two: Mashed potatoes & gravy, peas, side salad, homemade dinner roll with margarine, fruit or gelatin with whip, milk.

THURSDAY: Pizza with meat, cheese and pepperoni or Nacho tortilla pieces with meat & cheese or chef salad with bread, Choose Two: Fruit juice, carrot sticks, side salad, chocolate pudding or fruit, milk.

FRIDAY: Grilled cheese sandwich or chicken patty in a bun or chef salad with bread, Choose Two: Side salad, baked beans, turkey vegetable soup, canned or fresh fruit, milk.

Roudabushes celebrate silver anniversary



Wilma and Kurt Roudabush (Then)



Kurt and Wilma Roudabush (Now)

A silver wedding anniversary was observed on December 19 by Kurt and Wilma (Heyboer) Roudabush of Lowell.

The occasion was marked with a family dinner held on December 28 and later, an Alaskan cruise.

The Roudabush's children are Tanja (Tom) Greenfield, Marsha, Nathan, Karen and Beth Roudabush.

LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP NOTICE

PLEASE BE NOTIFIED that there will be a public hearing at the Township Hall at 2910 Alden Nash, SE, Lowell, Michigan at 7:30 p.m. on the 15th of January, 1996 of the Township Planning Commission.

They will be considering the preliminary development plan request of Curtis Cowles and Stoneridge Development Company to rezone two (2) parcels of land totaling approximately twenty (20) acres from the present LI (Light Industrial) and R1 (Residential) to a P.U.D. zone for the purpose of developing multiple family housing and a commercial area. The properties are located in Section 4 (PP#s 41-20-04-401-017 and 41-20-04-401-028 at 11627 and 11729 Fulton Street East of Lowell Township.

Tentative text and zoning map may be examined at the township office during regular office hours.

Carol L. Wells, Clerk
Lowell Charter Township

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JANUARY 4 - Nicholas Hill Brown.
Knonenwetter. Donna **JANUARY 7** - Lois Seese.
Johnson, Nita Baker-Czapek. Helga Wester, Bob Leyman.
JANUARY 5 - Ryan Sauber, Karen Cummings.
Craig Carpenter. **JANUARY 9** - Jordan Potter.
JANUARY 6 - Don Green, **JANUARY 10** - Mary Jo
Mary Ellen Miller, Dimpna Vezino.

He that hath wife and children hath given hostages to fortune; for they are impediments to great enterprises, either of virtue or of mischief.

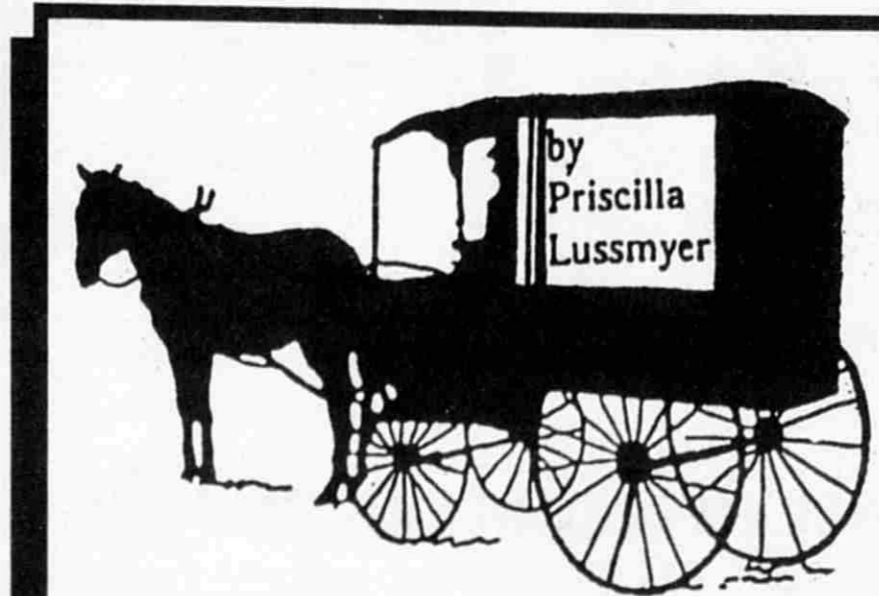
—Francis Bacon

AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

<p>ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH 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>CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH OF LOWELL 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>LOWELL WESLEYAN CHURCH "A great place to bring your family!" 1069 N. Lincoln Lake Rd. Phone 897-6890 or 897-8304 Sunday Morning Worship begins at 11 A.M. Pastor Bill Price</p>
<p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LOWELL 621 E. Main Street • 897-5936 REGULAR HOURS Morning Worship..... 8:30 & 11:00 A.M. Sunday School..... 9:45 A.M. REV. B. GORDON BARRY Nursery & child care available at both services Barrier - Free Entrance</p>	<p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL 2275 West Main Street Sun. Worship Service..... 9:30 A.M. & 6:00 P.M. Sunday School Hour..... 11:00 A.M. AWANA & JV; Wednesday..... 6:30 P.M. Prayer Meeting; Wednesday..... 6:45 P.M. JOE GERKIN, PASTOR, 897-7168</p>	<p>EMMAUS LUTHERAN Serving SE Kent County Meeting At: Pine Ridge Elementary School 3250 Redford S.E. Bill Brander - Pastor 897-1584 WORSHIP 9 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:15 A.M. Church office 956-6695 We invite you to "walk" with us.</p>
<p>EVERGREEN MISSIONARY CHURCH 10501 Settlemood • Ph. 897-7185 Sunday School..... 9:45 A.M. Morning Worship..... 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>ALTON BIBLE CHURCH Lincoln Lake Ave. at 3 Mile Road Sunday School..... 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship..... 11:00 A.M. Evening Praise..... 6:00 P.M. Wednesday AWANA..... 7:00 P.M. (Sept. - April) Prayer and Bible Study..... 7:30 P.M. REV. RICK FLOYD, Interim Pastor 897-5648 or 667-1948 YOU ARE WELCOME!</p>	<p>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH 10305 Bluewater Highway Morning Worship..... 10:00 A.M. Sunday School & Adult Bible..... 9:00 A.M. JOSEPH FREMER, PASTOR 897-8307</p>
<p>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL (United Church of Christ) 404 North Hudson • 897-5906 Worship and Church School..... 10:00 A.M. Dr. Roger LaWarre..... Pastor Joe Le Pard..... Director of Education Meghan Culver..... Music Director Barrier-Free..... Nursery Provided</p>	<p>DAY BIBLE CHAPEL "A friendly church with a life changing message" Worship with us this Sunday and find yourself part of a caring church family! Day Bible Chapel is an independent and nondenominational church. (COME AS YOU ARE) Location: The church is just east of the intersection of Centerline and Pinckney, north of M-21. Worship Service..... 10 A.M. Call 897-6332 anytime Rev. Frank Lattimore</p>	<p>LOWELL CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 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>



Viewpoint



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

100 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JAN. 3, 1896
The editor preaches again about a Lowell basket factory, suggesting it be placed south of the Grand River where land and power are cheap, taxes low and plenty of raw materials. Lowell area used 100,000 last year.
The Baptist and Methodist churches go over to the Congregational church for a special magic lantern show Sunday

LEGAL EASE

With
Jonathan J. David

Dear Jonathan: I recently purchased a \$2,000,000 term life insurance policy on my life to protect my wife and children in the event something happens to me. I don't want my wife to work and I want to make sure that my kids have enough money to pay for their college educations. A friend of mine recently told me that now that I am a "millionaire" that I will owe taxes at my death. I can't believe this is true. First of all, I am not really a millionaire. I just have a lot of insurance. Secondly, although my wife and I do have a lot in the way of material assets, we also carry a lot of debt. Will I owe taxes at the time of my death?
Jonathan says: You didn't give me enough information about your net worth (your assets minus your liabilities). However, I can respond in general terms to your question. First of all, regardless of the net value of your estate outside of your life insurance policy, just one life insurance policy in the amount of \$2,000,000 will put you in a taxable situation. I do not agree with your friend's assessment that you are now a "millionaire" because a term life insurance policy in effect

evening. The church fills up and doors are locked, no explanations given, alienating a number of tardy souls.
The asylum for the dangerous and criminal insane at Ionia is overcrowded and can take no more patients until new quarters are built.
Popular old violinist O.O. Adams and his orchestra (two violins, clarinet, piano and bass) play for the Vergennes Dancing Club New Year's party.
The editor guesses the Lowell Water & Light has changed its name to Peninsular Electric Light Heat & Power Co. and received permission from Grand Rapids to extend its lines from the city limits on into the city.

75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - DEC. 30, 1920
An oil stove in Frank Beams' barber shop in Ada explodes; the resulting fire destroys the east side of Main Street (Odd Fellows Hall, town hall, grocery, dry goods, barber and the apartments above).
Lowell board of Trade calls a meeting of Kent County village and township representatives, meeting at the county building in Grand Rapids to defeat the proposed county commission form of government.
The Lowell Literary Club enjoys victrola music, solos by Mrs. Lynn Pletcher and a speech by high school principal Doerr.
The American Legion sponsors a program to care for French orphans. \$75 will provide a year's care for one child.

creates an artificial estate on your behalf. In other words, that life insurance has absolutely no value to you except upon your death. The policy will not build any cash value for you and if you terminate it or let it lapse at any time, the policy will have zero value.
Having said that, let's assume you retain the policy through the date of death. Let's further assume that you name your wife the beneficiary of that policy and all of your other assets. Since you are married and leaving all of your assets to your wife, there will be no taxes due at your death because married couples are entitled to what is known as the "unlimited marital deduction." This means that regardless of the value of your estate at death, whether it is \$100,000 or \$100,000,000, if everything goes to your surviving spouse, there would be no federal estate tax due and owing at your death. However, at your spouse's death, assuming she has not remarried, then her estate will have to pay a federal estate tax on the value of her net estate, reduced by her "unified credit" amount to which she is entitled, which is currently \$192,800. To further explain, everyone is entitled to what is known as the unified credit. This unified credit amount is equal to the amount of tax that is assessed against an estate with a value of \$600,000. Consequently, if your estate is \$600,000 or below, the government automatically gives you a credit against that tax so there will be no federal estate tax due and owing at your death. However, once your estate is above the \$600,000 level, and the unified credit amount has been used up, then there will be a federal estate tax imposed against your estate.
The best way to explain this is to use an example. Let's assume that you die this year and your wife dies next year. As

50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JAN. 3, 1946
Council is negotiating for a diesel engine to provide more power for the municipal plant.
Tire rationing ended January 1, but ample supplies will be a while in coming.
Returned veteran "Babe" Wingeier is the Standard Oil bulk station agent for Lowell District, replacing George Story.
Low and moderate income taxpayers are the chief beneficiaries of the new, lower withholding tax rates.
Melvin Lewis buys the Emma Green house on East Main and will use the first floor for his business, Lewis Electric.

25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - DEC. 24 & 31, 1970
Since two weeks were covered in one issue, here are some ads of the period.
Christmas greetings from: Clark Plumbing & Heating, Ball Floral, Coons, Lippert Pharmacies, Paul Kellogg Vinegar Co., King Milling.
Ron's Texaco, Lowell Cutrate Market, The Levee, Arnie Standard, Hahn's Hardware, State Savings Bank.
Art's TV, Village Inn, Industrial Tool & Machine, Thomet Chevrolet-Buick, Dick's TV, YMCA, Peter Speerstra Insurance.
Lowell Automotive, Valley Vista Drive-In, Lowell Bakery, Fairchild Oil, Dick's Union 76, B&D Service, B&J grocery, JRB Agency, Root Lowell, Birchwood Gardens Floral, Roth Funeral Home—and a whole bunch more.

earlier explained, if everything goes to your wife, then there is no tax due and owing at your death due to the unlimited marital deduction to which you are entitled. If your wife's estate is valued at \$2,000,000 at the time of her death, then her estate is going to have to pay a federal estate tax of approximately \$600,000. That is because under current law the federal estate tax due and owing on a \$2,000,000 estate would be \$780,800. After you deduct the unified credit amount of \$192,800, the federal estate tax due and owing would be \$588,000.
There is a way to minimize the federal estate taxes due and owing on the second spouse's death. If you use the unified credit in conjunction with the marital deduction so that each spouse takes full advantage of the unified credit amount of \$600,000, then a married couple can effectively eliminate any federal estate taxes due and owing on a joint estate with a value of \$1,200,000.
Utilizing the above example, if prior to your death you and your wife engage in proper federal estate tax planning and utilize your respective unified credits in conjunction with the marital deduction, then upon your wife's death, the federal estate tax bill would be reduced by almost \$300,000 based on the current size of your estate.
You should consult with an estate planning attorney to review your situation and the particulars as to how you can engage in federal estate tax planning now to minimize any federal estate taxes due and owing later on. Good luck.
The information contained in this column is not to be construed as legal advice or legal representation and should not be relied upon as such. If legal advice or legal representation is desired, please consult with an attorney.

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

HAIR LOSS
Hair loss is a common problem seen in our office. A number of things may cause hair loss. Sometimes, after a major illness or surgery, you may suddenly lose a large amount of hair. This hair loss tends to be temporary and is usually related to the stress of the illness. The stress of pregnancy and childbirth can also cause hair loss.
Hormonal problems can also induce hair loss. Overactive or underactive thyroid function may cause hair to fall out. Male and female hormone (estrogens and androgens) imbalances can also lead to loss of hair. Correcting the hormonal problem will usually lead to reversal of the hair loss.
Certain medications can lead to hair loss. Some blood thinners, medicines for gout, chemotherapy, vitamin A in large amounts, birth control pills, and antidepressants can cause loss of hair. Usually the trend is reversed if the medication is stopped.

Fungal infections and some types of bacterial infections of the scalp can cause hair loss. Proper treatment will help.
If you are losing hair and there is no apparent reason for it, consult your physician. In any event, avoid aggressive washing of the hair - use the palms of the your hands to work the shampoo in, rather than your finger tips. Use wide spread combs and brushes which do not pull the hair too tightly.
Spontaneous hair loss, if no cause is discovered, will usually reverse itself with time.

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LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP CORRECTED NOTICE

PLEASE BE NOTIFIED that there will be a public hearing at the Township Hall at 2910 Alden Nash, SE, Lowell, Michigan at 7:30 p.m. on the 15th of January, 1996 of the Township Planning Commission.

They will be considering the preliminary development plan request of Curtis Cowles and Stoneridge Development Company to rezone two (2) parcels of land totaling approximately twenty (20) acres from the present LI (Light Industrial) and R1 (Residential) to a P.U.D. zone for the purpose of developing multiple family housing and a commercial area. (underlined portion omitted from the original notice). The properties are located in Section 4 (PP#s 41-20-04-401-017 and 41-20-04-401-028 at 11627 and 11729 Fulton Street East of Lowell Township.

Tentative text and zoning map may be examined at the township office during regular office hours.

Carol L. Wells, Clerk
Lowell Charter Township

Length and difficulty lead township to waive penalty fees

By Marc Popiolek
Contributing Writer

Lowell Charter Township has joined the growing number of municipalities to waive penalty fees for persons forgetting to file a property transfer affidavit.

Township supervisor John Timpson said waiving the fees wasn't a big deal because the township never expected to collect them.

"Most everybody files the affidavit if they know about it," he said. "And we don't want to penalize those who didn't know about it."

Adding to the township's decision was the fact that collecting the fees, which never topped \$200 was difficult and took too long.

"It was a hassle trying to collect fees. We never collected any and we never planned to," Timpson said. "If after a year it becomes a problem, then we may revise our decision, but for now, we're just doing what others (other municipalities) are doing."

State laws require property owners to submit property transfer affidavits when any property changes ownership.

Persons failing to do so can be charged \$5 a day up to a maximum of \$200 for every day it is not filed.

Recently Vergennes Township waived the fee. Jeanne Hoffman, township treasurer, said the expense of mailing the funds to each taxing authority cost more than the fees received by their township.

Once the fines were collected, if they were collected, the funds were dispersed among all the taxing authorities, including the county and school boards, by virtue of levying mills.

Timpson said any amount that would have been collected was never a significant amount.

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he can't think of anybody more qualified to fill in his shoes.

"Carol started on the township board around the same time I did. She was on there for 14 years, before working for the school, and she knows the township," he said. "She knows the township, how it runs, and its residents. She is ideal for the planning commission."

The call for transportation service slows to an idle

By Marc Popiolek
Contributing Writer

Lowell Charter Township has a secret that neither the city of Lowell nor Vergennes Township has, but it's the kind of secret that needs to be shared.

What's the big secret you ask?

Actually, the secret is nothing new, but it seems to be forgotten.

On July 1 of 1995 Lowell Charter Township residents joined a growing list of Kent County residents who have been offered transportation through the North Kent Transit Service.

During the month of July, the service attracted attention with eight rides being registered.

The following month that figure grew to 12 (the third highest figure in the service's coverage area), but as fast as the service began to peak the interest of riders, it also began to lose them.

In September, only two rides were registered and since then nobody has taken advantage of the system, much to the bewilderment of Cathy Winick Warmels, administrative manager of the service.

"I can't say why there was a drop off," said Winick

Warmels. "Nobody used the service in October or November, but we may have had some in December."

North Kent Transit Service offers public transportation to the handicapped and elderly as well as to the general public for a fee.

Persons with disabilities and/or over the age of 60 can use the service for a cost of \$2.50 one way for destinations within its primary service area.

Currently, the area includes the townships of Algoma, Cannon, Courtland, Plainfield, Solon, Sparta and Tyrone. It also serves the city of Rockford (with some restrictions) and the villages of Casnovia, Kent City and Sparta. Destinations to other locations in Kent County and return trips cost handicapped and those over 60 \$5.50.

For the general public those figures are doubled to \$5 in the primary service area and \$11 to other locations.

Recently, Vergennes Township turned down the opportunity to join the system because it wasn't sure of the need.

"We've had calls from people in Vergennes and the city of Lowell who have expressed an interest. If they

want the service they should contact their local governments and inform them," said Winick Warmels.

One misconception municipalities may have with the system regards their funding.

Municipalities are asked to subsidize the service with funds from their Community Development Block Grant funds.

Those funds which range from \$1,000 to \$13,200 (depending on the municipality's desire) pay for the cost of maintaining the buses, paying the drivers' wages and operating the service.

Municipalities are asked to support the service, but they are not asked to pay for anything that isn't used.

"We only charge them for the amount of people who use the service," said Winick Warmels. "If there are any funds left over, they go back to the county or municipality, depending on what their guidelines are. We don't keep any excess."

For more information on the service or to reserve a bus time, contact the service at 243-2783.

Life can only be understood backwards, but it must be lived forwards.

—Soren Kierkegaard

LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP

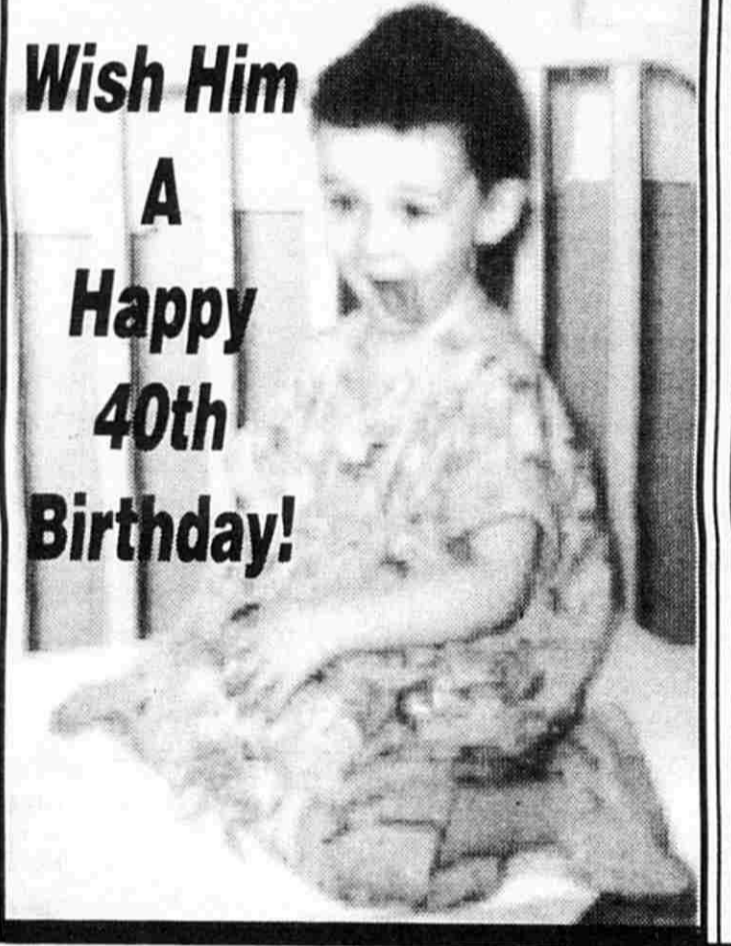
Notice of Change of Meeting Schedule

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township meeting schedule for the month of January, 1996 will be changed as follows:

Township Board Workshop	Jan. 8 - 7 p.m.
Planning Commission Regular	Jan. 15 - 7 p.m.
Township Board Regular	Jan. 22 - 7 p.m.
Planning Commission Workshop	Jan. 29 - 7 p.m.

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FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 5 THRU JANUARY 11

Patrick Muldoon (*Melrose Place*) stars as a college student seeking his father after his mother's murder, and Tori Spelling (*Beverly Hills, 90210*) plays a woman hired by the killers to seduce him, in *Deadly Pursuits*. The NBC TV movie, debuting Monday, also stars Reginald VelJohnson and Richard Belzer.



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Catherine and Roger Wilhelm Jr.

Pasquale and Wilhelm exchange October vows

Catherine Anne Pasquale and Roger A. Wilhelm Jr. were united in marriage October 14, 1995, at First Baptist Church of Lowell.

The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. David Pasquale of Lowell.

The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Roger A. Wilhelm Sr. of Atwater, Ohio.

The bride is a 1993 graduate of Lowell High School and a 1995 graduate of Cedarville College, Cedarville, Ohio.

The groom is a 1991 graduate of Waterloo High School in Ohio and a 1995 Cedarville graduate.

The couple is now living in Davenport, Iowa.

IN THE SERVICE

Navy Ensign Mark T. Adamy, son of Kenneth and Marion Adamy of Alto, and whose wife, Nicole, is the daughter of Beverly McNutt of Lowell, has returned to Norfolk, VA, after completing a six-month South American deployment aboard the destroyer USS Comte De Grasse, the flagship for the commander of the U.S. South Atlantic Force.

While on deployment, Adamy's ship passed through the Panama Canal, the Strait of Magellan and crossed over the equator.

While spending 97 days at sea, Adamy also visited Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Panama, Peru, Puerto Rico, Uruguay and Venezuela. While in port, Adamy and fellow shipmates had the opportunity to tour jungles, scuba dive, horse back ride and snow ski.

Adamy's involvement in this exercise demonstrates the ability of U.S. Naval forces to serve as the cornerstone of international coalitions, while projecting a positive American image and enhancing diplomatic contacts.

The 1983 graduate of Lowell Senior High School joined the Navy in April 1985. He is a 1994 graduate of the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, with a BS degree.

After 16 years, Shores decides to experience a taste of retirement

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

The news of Jeanne Shores' retirement from FMB State Savings Bank has been met with a miniature size melancholy.

Shores, who has been a drive-thru teller at the east end FMB branch since 1980, began giving out miniature size milk bones to some of her canine visitors four years ago.

"The dogs really love it. They like the miniature milk bones better because they have more flavor," Shores said. "I don't know; I've not tasted them myself."

Shores says if there are two dogs in a car, she is sure to send the same color milk bones to both dogs, insuring that there is no fighting over who gets what milk bone.

Shores announced in October that she would retire from her full-time position at the end of the year. Beginning Jan. 6, Shores will man the drive thru window at the west branch just two days a week.

"I began thinking about the change in March and April," Shores said. "I gave it serious thought in August and I made my decision in October. I think going down to two

days a week will be a nice transition to when I retire completely."

Playing a part in her decision was the fact that her brothers died at a reasonably young age. There are also other things Shores would like to do, such as volunteer work at the Lowell Family Medical Center and at Grand Rapids Alzheimers Association.

Shores started at FMB in January of 1979. She quit in December of '79 following her husband's death and then returned in October of 1980. "When I started in 1979, I worked at the west end branch. Then in 1980 I came to the east end branch and have been here ever since," Shores said.

The biggest change Shores has experienced at FMB has been computers. "Computers have changed the banking business a lot. They have made things faster and a lot more accurate," she said. "I didn't like the change when it occurred, but now I couldn't get along without the computer."

Along with her volunteer work, Shores will busy herself with ceramics, needle work, crafts, walking, bike riding and her role as a city councilmember.



Jeanne Shores, a teller at FMB State Savings bank for 16 years, is reducing her work load to two days a week.

NOTICE

Hearing of Public Comment BPI Treatment Facility Improvements

Monday, January 8, 1996
7-8 p.m.

Grattan Historical Museum
11676 Old Belding Road
Grattan Center

There will be an informational meeting for residents within the Big Pine Island (BPI) sewer service district on Monday, January 8, 1996, at which time and place, information regarding the project, construction schedules, and financing will be presented and public comment received.

We shape our dwellings, and afterwards our dwellings shape us.

—Winston S. Churchill

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL

For the Regular Meeting of MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1995.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Maatman and the Clerk called the Roll. Present: Councilmembers Shores, Green, Hodges, Thompson and Mayor Maatman.

Absent: None.
IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by THOMPSON that the minutes of the December 4, 1995 meeting be approved as written.

YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

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

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

NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (12/18/95)

GENERAL FUND:	\$104,050.72
CURRENT TAX:	1,371.19
WATER FUND:	59,501.80
MAJOR STREET FUND:	8.93
LOCAL STREET FUND:	8.62
DDA FUND:	209.06
EQUIPMENT FUND:	4,153.15
DATA PROCESSING FUND:	989.54
WASTEWATER FUND:	23,548.45
BUILDING AND SITE FUND:	710.00
AIRPORT FUND:	15.37

Item #1. PROPOSED ENGINEERING SERVICES - BOWES ROAD RELOCATION PROJECT. As directed by Council at the December 4, 1995 meeting, City Manager Pasquale requested proposals from Williams and Works and Ed Swanson and Associates (traffic engineer) providing engineering services for the Bowes Road relocation project. The proposal given outlined the work scope and fees by phase. The project's first phase

would be the development of a new alignment, involving property owners Jim and Barb Barber, Michigan Department of Transportation, and the Kent County Road Commission, to ensure that all parties are notified and a safe road is constructed.

There will be a total engineering cost of \$22,800. A portion of these expenses would be offset by less property acquisition cost and reallocating engineering funds from the KCRC (budgeted for \$9,500) to Williams and Works. The KCRC will charge approximately one-third to one-half of the \$9,500 charge and the City will be responsible for 75% of this cost.

Councilmember Shores questioned if the City will have to acquire a portion of the Barber property. Pasquale responded that is his understanding, but only by consent of the Barbers. Jeff Vos of Williams and Works spent time with the Barbers and believes that there is a workable solution to this.

Councilmember Thompson asked if it will take the \$22,800 to find out that again the City can not use the Barbers' property. Pasquale said it was stated very clearly to Williams and Works that a voluntary agreement must be reached with all property owners in the relocation project. Councilmember Hodges understood that if this can not be accomplished in Phase I (\$5300 cost), the City could discontinue the project with Williams and Works and Ed Swanson and Associates.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by GREEN to approve the contract for the engineering services with Williams and Works and Ed Swanson and Associates at a cost of \$22,800 for the Bowes Road relocation project.
YEA: 4. (Councilmembers Shores, Green, Hodges and Mayor Maatman).
NAY: 1. (Councilmember Thompson)
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #2. LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS AND KENT INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT - COLLECTION OF SUMMER TAXES FOR 1996. As in previous years, the City is requested to pass the continuing resolution to collect the Summer taxes for Lowell Area Schools and Kent Intermediate School District. The City collects the taxes for the two school districts at no fee but keeps the interest earned during the bank deposit before distributing these monies.
IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to approve the continuing resolution to collect the Lowell

Area Schools and Kent Intermediate School District summer taxes for 1996.

YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION APPROVED.

Item #3. APPROVAL OF 1996 CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES. The Council reviewed the proposed list of 1996 meeting dates. As established, the first and third Mondays have been scheduled each month for regular meetings. When holidays occur on Monday, the meeting would be established for Tuesday.

IT WAS MOVED BY THOMPSON and seconded by GREEN to approve the 1996 City Council meeting dates as presented.

YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #4. APPOINTMENT OF BUILDING AUTHORITY MEMBERS. Previously, the Council approved a resolution creating a Building Authority at the December 4, 1996 meeting. This will be used as a financing vehicle for the new library project as well as other public buildings.

The appointment of three Commissioners beginning on January 1, 1996 needed to be considered. City Attorney Richard Wendt recommended that James Maatman (term on Council expires at end of the year), Judy Noonon, Treasurer/Finance Director and City Manager Pasquale be appointed to staggered terms of one, two and three years.

It was noted that any funding decisions on projects must still come from the City Council. The Authority acts as a conduit for the financing.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN that James Maatman be appointed for three years, Treasurer/Finance Director Judy Noonon for two years and City Manager Pasquale for one year to the Building Authority.
YEA: 4. (Councilmembers Shores, Green, Hodges and Thompson)
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
ABSTAIN: 1. (Mayor Maatman)
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #5. NEW ZONING ORDINANCE - CONSIDER

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

ADOPTION OR SET PUBLIC HEARING. City Planning Commission Chairman Michael Blough stated the Commission has been working diligently since the adoption of the Master Plan in March and the Action Plan in May to update the Zoning Ordinance, applying the goals and policies of the adopted plans. It provides definition and consolidation of zoning requirements to the city, ensuring growth occurs in a manner expected. A public hearing was held on Monday, December 11, 1995 for the new Zoning Ordinance.

Pasquale mentioned that the Planning Commission recommended the following zoning map changes to be incorporated into the new code:

- east side of James: R-1 (minimum floor area 1000 square feet)
- south side frontage properties along W. Main from the new NAPA building to City Limits: I (Industrial) to C-3 (General Business)
- entire United Methodist Church block: PF (Public Facilities)
- entire First Baptist Church property: PF (Public Facilities) (some back acreage zoned residential)
- Public Works Building (Public Facilities from I Industrial)
- Stoney Lakeside Park: PF (Public Facilities from R-3 Multiple Family Residential and F-1 Floodplain)
- Water Treatment Plant: PF (Public Facilities from I Industrial and F-1 Floodplain)

If approved, a new Zoning Ordinance will be printed along with an amended map showing all of the above changes as well as those which have occurred over the past few years by public hearing and ordinance.

Mayor Maatman asked if there were any public comments from the audience or at the public hearing on December 11, 1995. Planning Commission Chairman Blough responded that there were no public or written comments regarding the zoning ordinance.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by THOMPSON to adopt the new Zoning Ordinance as amended.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #6. CONTRACT WITH CONSUMERS POWER FOR STREETLIGHT BY AIRPORT ENTRANCE. Carl Francis, Director of Aviation at Cornerstone Aviation Services, noted that the entrance drive to the Lowell City

Airport from Lincoln Lake was particularly dark. Francis made an initial contact to Consumers Power to provide a streetlight for the location. Consumers would approve the placement of a 250 watt streetlight provided an agreement is signed to cover the installation cost of \$205 and a \$13.45 monthly fee. These would be paid from the Airport Fund.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to approve the contract with Consumers Power for the installation of a streetlight by the Lowell City Airport entrance on Lincoln Lake at a cost of \$205 for installation and a monthly fee of \$13.45 provided from the Airport Fund.

YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #7. MONTHLY REPORTS. No comments received from materials presented.

Item #8. CITIZENS COMMENTS. Linda Tabor, of WHTN, questioned Pasquale if any progress has been made toward complying with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rules and regulations regarding a leased channel. It was Pasquale's understanding that this would be processed through the City Attorney's office as well as the Cable TV Board. Councilmember Hodges stated as a Cable TV Board member, this is being handled by the City Attorney, Richard Wendt.

Tabor also requested copies of several documents from the Lowell Cable office. She noted that the Cable TV secretary was unsure where to locate these at that time and Paul Christman, the Superintendent of Lowell Cable TV, was out of the office.

Councilmember Thompson responded that the City has an attorney that represents the City and its taxpayers. If she felt that the needed information was not received, Thompson said to provide a letter of request to the City Manager for a response by the City Attorney. Wendt must respond to Tabor's legal rights.

Tabor also questioned who paid City Attorney Wendt to review some of her tapes submitted to Lowell Cable TV. Pasquale responded that this would be paid through the Cable TV Fund.

Item #9. COUNCIL COMMENTS. Mayor Maatman stated that Ray Quada has resigned from the Lowell Cable TV

Board, effective immediately.

Item #10. MANAGER'S REPORT. City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:
a. Copies of minutes of the November 1 meeting of the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce were provided.
b. The following activities were the highlights experienced by the City during 1995 in terms of projects. Also, the City will be entering into significant projects such as downtown streetscape work and the new public library during the coming year.

- Installation of water mains on Gee Drive (Ridgeview to Foreman), King (Jackson to Washington), High (east of Division) and Grindle (east of James).
- Receipt of State Equity Grant, starting riverfront improvements along Lafayette Street.
- Completion of streetscape plans for downtown Main Street, ready for construction in 1996.
- Adoption of Master Plan, an Action Plan and a Parks and Recreation Plan.
- Final course paving of Creekside parking lot.
- Completing plans for the new public library.

c. The City offices will be closed on Friday, December 22, Monday December 25 and Monday, January 1 in observance of Christmas and New Year's Day.

Item #11. OTHER BUSINESS. Mayor Pro Tem Thompson stated that Mayor Maatman had decided to leave his position of Mayor and City Councilmember and is a great loss to the City. He has done an excellent job and has been a great leader. He presented Mayor Maatman with a plaque reading: James D. Maatman, that reads James D. Maatman, in tribute to 16 years of service to the City of Lowell, acting as City Councilmember, January, 1980 through December of 1995, Mayor Pro Tem 1980 to 1984 and Mayor from 1984 to 1995 and Look Memorial Fund Committee member from 1984 to 1995. Many thanks for your efforts in making Lowell a better community, Lowell City Council 1995 and City Manager.

Mayor Maatman thanked everyone for the privilege of working with excellent Councils, City Managers, Citizens and dedicated people of the City of Lowell.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: January 2, 1996

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

Red Arrow grapplers break even at Grandville Invitational

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell's predominantly young wrestling team has helped put the "coach" back into coaching for 38-year wrestling mentor Gary Rivers.

"I'm really enjoying having to go out on the mat and coach the kids," Rivers said. "The fun part is then sitting back and watching the kids progress."

Rivers continued coaching his Red Arrows at the Grandville Invitational. Lowell finished the day with a record of 2-2. The Red Arrows defeated Lansing Eastern 46-30; then lost to Grandville 56-15; was defeated by Cedar Springs 47-29; and finished the day with a 41-31 win over Jenison.

"I thought we looked tired against Cedar Springs. They pushed us around and outmuscled us," Rivers said.

Some of that may have had to do with its earlier match against Grandville.

"I thought we wrestled as well against Grandville as anybody there. Most of our matches went three periods," said Rivers. "Grandville has a strong club."

Lowell opened the day against Lansing Eastern.

The Red Arrows built a 36-3 lead over the Quakers through the first seven matches.

Nick West (103) and Casey Harper (112) recorded second-period pins. West's came at 2:44 and Harper's was at 2:29.

At 130 and 135 pounds respectively, Brad Lyons and Dave Luyk posted first-period pins. Lyons' came at 1:57 while Luyk stopped the match at 1:40.

Dan Spicer, 119 pounds, won by way of forfeit.

Matt Inman at 140 and Scott Hays at 152 came off the mat with first-period pins. Inman's was in 1:11 and Hays' was at 1:09.

Joel Uzarski, wrestling at 171 pounds, posted the quickest pin of the match in 41 seconds.

Steve VanLaan (160) major decisioned Gilbert Martinez 15-7.

Nate Roudabush (125) and Mike Minier (189) were decisioned by the counts of 7-2 and 7-1 respectively.

Lowell's Mike Arnsward (215) and Jason Willard (HWT) both were pinned by their Quaker opponent.

In its match against Grandville, Lowell earned victories at 112, 119 and 152.

Harper pinned Derek Boom in 1:13 of the first period. Spicer decisioned Alan Smith 5-1. Hays pinned Jason

Creager in 3:02 of the second period.

In Lowell's match against the Red Hawks from Cedar Springs, Harper, Spicer, Luyk, Inman, VanLaan and Uzarski earned victories.

Harper won by forfeit; Spicer won in a major decision over Charlie Towns 14-3.

Luyk major decisioned his opponent Chris Huff 16-4; Inman pinned Jerry Eastman in 3:07 of the second period.

VanLaan was a 21-14 winner of Brendan McDonald while Uzarski pinned Jason Bettys in 5:47.

"I was impressed with the job VanLaan and Luyk did in all four matches," Rivers said. "They are going to be pleasant additions to the team."

Both wrestlers won three of their four matches. Spicer and Harper were both undefeated, going 4-0.

Against Jenison, Lowell won seven of the first 10 matches. Winning by way of forfeit were West, Harper and Hays. Posting decisions were Spicer, 13-3; Lyons, 4-3; and VanLaan, 19-6.

Lowell will travel to East Grand Rapids on Thursday.

Moerdyke has his wish granted

By Thad Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Cari Slot and Merideth Maitner were greeted at the door by Philip Moerdyke.

The Make A Wish Foundation volunteers were at 2980



Philip Moerdyke works on his new lap top computer. The computer was delivered to his home on Dec. 28 by Make A Wish Foundation volunteers.

Bewell to fulfill a wish the 11-year-old Moerdyke had made during one of his many hospital stays in his fight against Rhabdomyosarcoma.

The soft tissue cancer was detected in Moerdyke's sinuses in February of last year.

The Make A Wish Foundation of Michigan began in 1984. Since its inception, it has fulfilled the wishes of 1,200 children. Wanda Colon, co-chairperson for the Grand Rapids Council, said the wishes of 200-250 children in the state of Michigan are carried out each year.

The Make A Wish Foundation fulfills the wishes of Michigan children between the ages of 2 1/2 and 17 who suffer from life-threatening illnesses.

On Thursday (Dec. 28) Maitner and Slot delivered a lap top computer to Moerdyke.

"Being a Make A Wish volunteer is very rewarding," Slot said. "The kids appreciate the stuff so much. You can see it in their faces."

Slot and Maitner are two of the 25 volunteers who help serve the West Michigan area for the foundation.

Volunteers are used in three areas. They are:

- The wish-granting process (interviewing families)
- Fundraising
- Media and public speaking.

The process of fulfilling wishes is done year-round - not just during the holidays.

Colon said the foundation is always looking for volunteers.

"If the family goes through the qualification process and meets all the requirements, then a wish is granted," Colon said.

The average cost for granting a child a wish is \$4,000. The more popular wishes include a trip to Disney World, computers, and toy store shopping sprees.

Moerdyke's computer includes fax capabilities and on-line services.

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LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT 333 Monroe NW Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503

File No. 95-2387-DM

ORDER FOR PUBLICATION AND TO APPEAR AND ANSWER

TAMI SUE MARTINEZ Plaintiff vs

RAUL MARTINEZ-ANGELES Defendant

At a session of said Court held in the Hall of Justice, Grand Rapids, Michigan on November 29, 1995

PRESENT: The honorable DONALD A. JOHNSTON, Circuit Court Judge.

On the 20th day of October, 1995, an action for divorce was filed by the above-named Plaintiff

against you, the above-named Defendant, in the Circuit Court for the County of Kent.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that you, the Defendant, whose last known address was: 3990 FRUITRIDGE NW, KENT CITY, MICHIGAN 49330 shall answer or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the 2nd day of February, 1996.

FAILURE to comply with the Order shall result in a Judgment by default against you, the Defendant, for relief as set forth in the Complaint filed against you.

DONALD A. JOHNSTON Circuit Court Judge

LEGAL AID OF WESTERN MICHIGAN By: Christine A. Wu (P48845) Attorney for Plaintiff 89 Ionia NW - Suite 400 Grand Rapids, MI 49503 (616) 774-0672

LEGAL NOTICES

COUNTY OF KENT CLAIMS NOTICE INDEPENDENT PROBATE

FILE NO. 95-161,251-IE

ESTATE OF GEORGE A. STORY DECEASED SS# 368-10-5929

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:

The decedent, whose last known address was 11535 EAST FULTON, LOWELL, MI 49331 died 11-7-95. An instrument dated 1-23-80 has been admitted as the will of the deceased.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that

all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative RONALD STORY, 1765 NOTTINGHAM TRAIL, IONIA, MI 48846 or to both the independent personal representative and the Kent County Probate Court, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice.

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

JOHN P. O'KEEFE Attorney-at-law (P-18447) 220 West Main Street PO Box 123 Ionia, MI 48846 (616) 527-0020

LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT (KENT COUNTY)

CASE NO. 95-5453-CH

OTTACO, INC. A Michigan Corporation, Plaintiff vs

ALBERT SHED; ELNORA SHED; AND THE OCCUPANT OF REAL PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 414 PLEASANT, SW, GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN 49503, Defendants

Rapids, Michigan 49503, shall answer or take such other action as may be permitted by law at the offices of the Clerk of this Court at the Hall of Justice, 333 Monroe, NW, Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49503 on or before twenty-eight (28) days following the last date of publication of this order. Failure to comply with this Order shall result in a Judgment by Default against said Defendants, which shall vest Plaintiff with absolute fee simple title to the following described real estate situated in the City of Grand Rapids, County of Kent, State of Michigan, to-wit:

ORDER UNDER MCR 2.105(I) PERMITTING SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION UNDER MCR 2.106 UPON ALBERT SHED, ELNORA SHED AND OCCUPANT OF 414 PLEASANT, SW, GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN 49503 AND ORDERING SAID DEFENDANTS TO ANSWER

At a session of said Court, held in the Court-house, Grand Rapids, Michigan, on December 19, 1995

PRESENT: Honorable Dennis B. Leiber

Plaintiff having filed heretofore its Summons and Complaint to quiet title and its Motion under MCR 2.105(I) for an Order Permitting Service of Process by Publication under MCR 2.106 and for an Order to Answer, and the Court otherwise being fully advised in the premises;

HON. DENNIS B. LEIBER

SOTIROFF ABRAMCZYK & RAUSS, P.C. By: Keith A. Sotiroff (P42904) Attorneys for Plaintiff 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 444 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 (810) 642-6000

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that Defendants Albert Shed and Elnora Shed and Occupant at 414 Pleasant, SW, Grand

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TOWN TALK

In what order of importance would you place these four stories of 1995 - Oklahoma City bombing, Bosnia, the budget and O.J. Simpson?



Arnold Kimball
Oklahoma City, the budget, Bosnia and O.J.



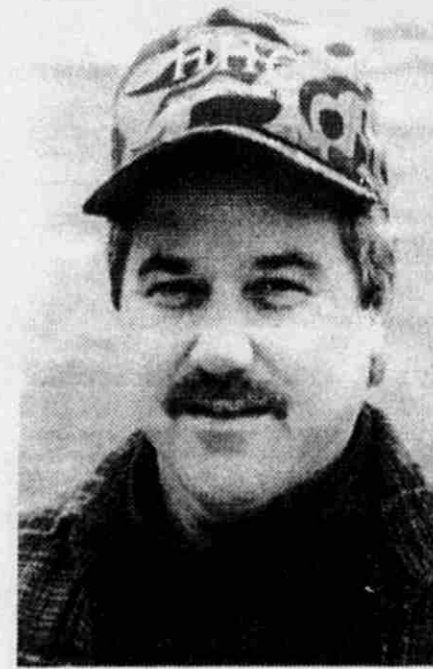
Jack Thompson
The budget, Bosnia, Oklahoma City and then O.J.



Steve Moorehead
The budget, Bosnia, Oklahoma City and O.J.



Mary Fry
Bosnia, the budget, Oklahoma City and then O.J.



Rob Ebmeyer
Oklahoma City, Bosnia, the budget and then O.J.



Al Mull
Oklahoma City, the budget, Bosnia and O.J.



Rick Eickhoff
O.J., Bosnia, Oklahoma City and the budget.



Jacqueline Sorensen
O.J., Oklahoma City bombing, the budget and then Bosnia.

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"I will use the computer to write my journal, play games and do my homework," Moerdyke said.

The 11-year-old has four more sessions of chemotherapy remaining. Each session involves a five-day stay at Butterworth Hospital.

"So far, everything is going pretty good," Maggie Moerdyke said. "If everything continues to go well, Philip will be through with treatments in March."

Moerdyke's weight, which dropped to 81 pounds, is back up to 92 pounds which is about where he was before treatment began.



Cari Slot, Make A Wish Foundation volunteer, arrives with Philip Moerdyke's new lap top computer. Not pictured is Slot's partner Merideth Maitner.



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CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

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CITY OF LOWELL

For the Special Meeting of **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1995.** The Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Maatman and the Clerk called the Roll.

Present: Councilmembers Shores, Green, Hodges, and Mayor Maatman.
Absent: Councilmember Thompson.

Item # 1 . RESOLUTION TO DELETE THE HOBBY STOP BUILDING PROPERTY FROM THE DOWNTOWN DISTRICT - PUBLIC HEARING. City Manager Pasquale stated that since the City acquired the Hobby Stop Building property (119 E. Main Street) and tore the structure down, the parcel has been proposed for deletion from the Downtown District so that it is not used as a penalty when the City collects tax increment revenues for the DDA. At its meeting of November 30, 1995, the

Downtown Development Authority recommended this proposal.

No comments were received at the public hearing.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to amend the downtown district of the City of Lowell Downtown Development Authority by removing the Hobby Stop Building Property (119 E. Main Street) from the Downtown District.

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

No other business was brought before the Council.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 6:32 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: January 2, 1996

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

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