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## Youth fair reigns supreme



Despite sweltering heat that presented problems for patrons and animals, the Kent County Youth Fair was once again a success for all who participated. Grand Champions were crowned in and out of the ring making this year's gathering one of the most memorable and heartfelt events of the fair's long and distinctive tradition. One of the crowning achievements was the coronation of the Kent County Youth Fair Royal Court. Pictured, left to right, are: Jenny Bauer, Lisa Chase, Teresa Kenney - queen, Angie Peavey - second runner-up, Kathy Thuston, first runner-up

## Lowell community loses twp. supervisor, scorekeeper and a good man

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Keene Township supervisor for six years and long-time Lowell wrestling scorekeeper Ernest J. Blasher died at his home on Wednesday (Aug. 7).

Blasher, who lived at 9855 Potters Rd., was 65 years old.

"Ernie was a very good supervisor," said Keene Township treasurer Maxine Gasper. "He did his best to solve any problems. Ernie was very congenial and always willing to help everybody."

Blasher was appointed to the Keene Township Planning Commission in 1987-88 before being appointed supervisor in 1990. He was elected back to the seat in 1992.

"Ernie called me and told me he would not run for supervisor again and asked me to run in the primary," said



Phil Jones, owner of Jones Farm Market. "I told him there were some areas I didn't know a lot about and I'd need his help. Ernie was going to be my ace in the hole." Jones won his primary on Tuesday.

Ed Roth, a neighbor of Blasher's for 30-plus years, called Blasher a very good neighbor and a man who was always willing to help out. "Ernie treated people well and was honest and very capable," Roth said. "People are going to miss him."

Blasher underwent heart bypass surgery this past winter. Roth said Blasher never really felt good after that.

Jeanne VanderSloot, Keene Township zoning administrator, remembers Blasher as a man who cared about the township. "He was always looking to what was down the road for the township and not just at the township's immediate needs," VanderSloot said.

VanderSloot, the daughter of Ed Roth, also remembers Blasher, the neighbor.

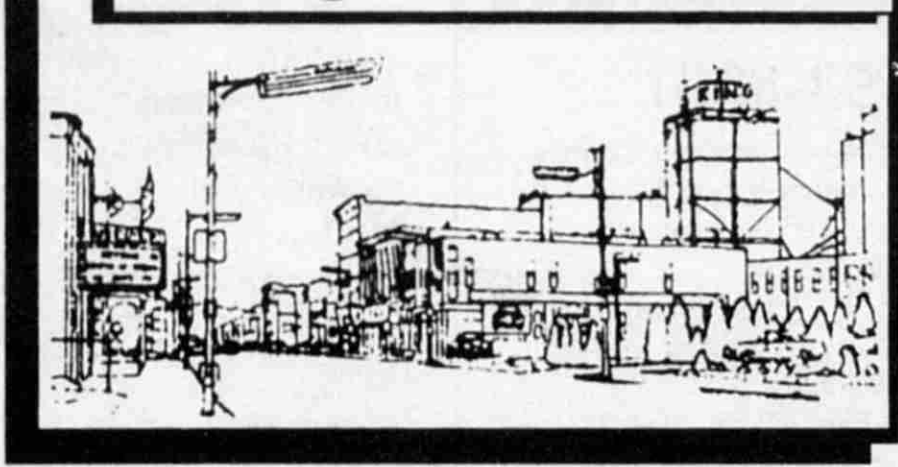
"I don't ever remember him hollering at us as kids," she said. "We used to ride the backs of his pigs. He'd say 'one of those might buck you off into the slop and then bite you, so maybe you shouldn't do that.'"

Blasher was preceded in death by his son, Barry. Surviving are his wife, Joyce; children, Dawn (Rick) Fisher of Lowell, Elaine (Richard) Haines of Belding, Kurt (Renee) Blasher of Lowell, Chad (Gina) Blasher of Belding; grandchildren, Skye Fisher, Cara and Paul Haines, Benjamin, Brady and Sam Blasher; also many nieces and nephews.

He worked at Dickerson Press in Grand Rapids before his retirement. He was a former 4-H leader.

Funeral services were held Saturday at Roth-Gerst Chapel with interment at Bailey Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Ernest Blasher Wrestling Scholarship Fund.

### Along Main Street



#### LOWELL LITTLE LEAGUE MEETING

The Lowell Little League meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on August 21, at Key Heights Community Building.

#### ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The Lowell Friends of the Library will be holding their annual Ice Cream Social, Thursday, Aug. 22 from 6-8:30 p.m. at the Look Memorial Fire Station.

Donation is \$1 per person or \$5 per family. Free ice cream for new memberships to the Lowell Friends of the Library. Last chance to buy a "brick."

#### YMCA FALL YOUTH SOCCER REGISTRATION

The Lowell Branch YMCA is accepting registrations for its Fall Youth Soccer Program. The registration deadline for boys and girls grades 1-8 is Thursday, Aug. 15. Coaches for this age group will be meeting on Aug. 22 and teams will then start practices.

Registration for boys and girls ages 4 and 5 years old and Kindergarten are now being accepted till the deadline of Aug. 26. For further information call the YMCA office at 897-8445. SPACE IS LIMITED! FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE!

#### SEVENTH & EIGHTH GRADE PHYSICALS

Lowell Middle School will be offering athletic physicals on Wednesday, Aug. 28 in the Middle School locker rooms from 6-8 p.m. The physicals will be offered to seventh and eighth grade students who plan to be involved in athletics during the upcoming school year.

The cost is \$5 CASH. Physicals will be performed by Dr. Gauthier, Dr. Lang, and Dr. Bish.

#### PIG ROAST

There will be a pig roast fundraiser for St. Mary's Church on Sunday, Sept. 8 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children, 12 and under, preschoolers are free. Carryouts welcome. For more information call 897-9820.

## Lights, camera, action!

### Lowell 5 Theater opens to rave reviews



Bob and Missy Decker were the lucky recipients of Lowell 5's first movie tickets.

By Marc Popiolek  
Contributing Writer

It wasn't exactly a Hollywood gala or Broadway opening, but the debut of Lowell's new five-screen theater was popular enough to be dubbed a success.

Goodrich Quality Theatre's new Lowell 5 movie theater was met with a sold out house, although no tickets were actually sold last Thursday when Flipper, Robin Williams, and "Fear" headlined the marquee.

"We were really excited about the opening and all the comments we heard were positive," said Lisa Cooper, marketing manager for Goodrich. "The signs are there that this will be a good thing for Lowell."

Bob and Mary Decker christened the new theater as they received the first tickets at the new facility, which featured free keepsakes, candy and other prizes.

The Lowell 5 is designed to feature the best in movie-going comfort and style in one 13,000 square foot building.

Besides rocking chair seats with padded cup holder armrests, the theater features DTS digital stereo sound.

The next day featured current releases: *Escape From L.A.*, *Independence Day*, *The Rock*, *Kingpin*, *Phenomenon*, and *Hunchback of Notre Dame*.

Cooper said the theater will offer the latest hits as they come out in an effort to save Lowell residents a 20-30

minute drive to Grand Rapids theaters.

"It was a positive turnout that we only expect to get better," said Cooper. "It will get better because A: People will be used to us being open and B: We will continue to have newer movies."

Cooper said there is no formula to the opening of new films, but said most occur on Fridays and Lowell 5 expects to have them all.

"We may not have them in as long as some other places, but we don't have more than 20 screens like others," said Cooper. "However, we will have all the new hit releases as they come out and we will keep them in the theaters as long as they are popular."



**OBITUARIES**

**AMBURGEY (SPARTA)** - Chester Amburgey, aged 87, passed away on Thursday, August 8, 1996 at Laurels of Kent, in Lowell. He is survived by his wife, Marie; daughters Janet and Harvey; Aileen of Grand Rapids, Laura and Med Broussard of Seattle, WA; Donna and Irvon Lester of Sparta; Cheryl and Jim Bowman of Estoria, OR; 13 grandchildren, 12 great-

**BENNETT** - Marguerite Ann Bennett, aged 61, of Lowell, went to be with her Lord August 6, 1996. Surviving are her husband of 30 years, Robert, sons Brad and Dawn of Grand Rapids, Brian of Lowell; mother, Ellen McKinney of Kalamazoo; brothers Russ McKinney of CA, Rich and Debbie McKinney of TX; sisters Vickie Frazee of Kalamazoo, Doris McKinney of Grand Rapids. Funeral services were held Friday at Sparta Baptist Church with Rev. Bob Greenman officiating. Interment in Greenwood Cemetery, Sparta. Those who wish may make memorial contributions to Sparta Baptist Church.

cer Society or Radio Bible Class, 3000 Kraft SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49555-0001. Arrangements by Roth-Gerst, Lowell.

**BLASHER** - Ernest J. Blasher, aged 65, of Lowell, died unexpectedly August 7, 1996 at his home. He was preceded in death by his son, Barry. Surviving are his wife Joyce; children Dawn (Rick) Fisher of Lowell, Elaine (Richard) Haines of Belding, Kurt (Renee) Blasher of Lowell, Chad (Gina) Blasher of Belding; grandchildren Skye Fisher, Cara and Paul Haines, Benjamin, Brady and Sam Blasher, also many nieces and nephews. Mr. Blasher worked for 41 years at Dickerson Press in Grand Rapids before his retirement. He was a former 4-H leader, and supervisor of Keene Township Funeral Service, was held Saturday at Roth-Gerst Chapel, Lowell. Interment, Bailey Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Ernest Blasher Wrestling Scholarship Fund, c/o Lowell Area Schools, 2920 Fuller NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49505.

**HAMILTON** - Ronald E. Hamilton, aged 84, of Grand Rapids, died unexpectedly Monday, August 5, 1996. He was preceded in death by his wife, Virginia. He is survived by his children, RDean (Larry) Radle of Lowell, Thomas Hamilton of Grand Rapids, Donald (Judy) Hamilton of Jenison, Edward (Pat) Hamilton of Wyoming; 11 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter, also several brothers and sisters-in-law. Mr. Hamilton was retired from Steelcase. Funeral services were held Thursday at the O'Brien-Eggebeen-Gerst Chapel, Rev. Jay Prum of Baldwin Street Christian Reformed Church officiating. Interment Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. Memorial contributions may be made to the Arthritis Foundation Michigan Chapter, 2920 Fuller NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49505.

**COLLEGE NEWS**

Elizabeth Reimbold recently participated in Michigan Technological University's first annual Summer Institute of Technology. She was among twenty junior and senior high school students attending this summer's sessions.

Each student has the opportunity to participate in the Wildlife and Forestry Workshop, held at the Ford Forestry Center and the Michigan Tech campus. The program focuses on animal behavior and ecology through field experiences.

Reimbold is the daughter of Richard and Rita Reimbold of Ada. She is a senior at Lowell High School, and participates in softball, art club, and Science Olympiad. She is also a National Honor Society member.

Steven J. Heim of Lowell was among the 1,337 students who completed the requirements for certificates, associate's, bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees at Ferris State University during winter semester (January-May).

Heim received a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from Ferris State University. He is currently employed as a French scientist of the 1800s, proved that bacteria spread disease.

**M.R.W. Creative Services wins best of show**

For the second year in a row, M.R.W. Creative Services has won the Best of Show award for Kodak's booth at the Meijer "Outlook" Merchandising Show.

This year's show, "The Big Top of Retail," was held July 23-24 in Grand Rapids and attracted nearly 1,000 exhibitors displaying their products for Meijer's buyers from around the country.

Kodak's 10'x40' booth included a 60-foot long hand-

Painted, full-color mural on theater-style flats depicting people, clowns, circus acts, and animals. Three circus rings, complete with hay, were constructed to finish the circus tent scene and showcase Kodak products.

"It is exciting to win this honor two years in a row," said David McCord, president of M.R.W. Creative Services. "We pulled this together in three weeks and are obviously proud of the results."

For last year's show, M.R.W. created a life-size interior of an antique railroad passenger car for Kodak.

The team of professionals at M.R.W. Creative Services has more than 43 years of combined graphics and communications experience, ranging from corporate art direction and technical illustration to desktop publishing and traditional paste-up. M.R.W. is focused on combining talent with the latest technology and developing creative and flexible relationships with clients and other firms.



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**GARAGE SALE**  
Aug. 15, 16 & 17, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. 3449 S. Lee Rd., Saranac. Go down M-21 to Saranac corners, turn N. to top of hill, turn on Centerline & follow signs. Super C tractor, with wide front end; 1989 Dodge Dynasty, power steering & brakes, runs good; 4 bar stools; dining room table & 6 chairs; high chair & baby walker, clothes of all sizes plus infant to 3 toddler, much, much more.

**GARAGE SALE**  
2 family, Fri., Aug. 16, 9-5 p.m. Freezer, humidifier, children-adult clothing, many baby items. 273 Jane Ellen Dr., Lowell.

**YARD SALE**  
Kids' clothes, adults' clothes, answering machine, toys, boots, shoes, misc. 702 N. Washington. Aug. 14, 15 & 16, 8-6 p.m.

**ESTATE SALE**  
Household, glassware, dolls, arts and craft supplies, 80 years accumulation. August 15 and 16, 156 Bridge St., Saranac, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**5-FAMILY GARAGE SALE**  
Wide variety of items, baby furniture, keyboard, daybed, clothes, from newborn to adult, and much more! Thurs., Aug. 15 & Fri., Aug. 16, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., 42 N. Pleasant, Saranac.

**3 FAMILY YARD SALE**  
901 Grindle, Sat., Aug. 17, 9-5 p.m.

**YARD SALE**  
Fri. & Sat., Aug. 16 & 17, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. First time sale - Bargains! Bargains! Key Heights, 1763 Veronica St. Lot 203.

**MULTI-FAMILY SALE**  
Rain or shine, Thurs. & Fri., Aug. 15 & 16, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Baby items, Little Tykes slide, bikes, typewriter, dresser, weight bench, leather coat-size M, clothes, many other items too many to list. 198 Montcalm, Fallasburg Park Drive to McPherson to Montcalm. Look for signs.

**GARAGE SALE**  
Fri., Aug. 16 only, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Clothing, childrens & adults - most 25¢ each. Storm windows & doors, toys & more. 10809 Ware Rd., one mile N. of Jimmy's Grill. Follow signs.

**CASCADE GARAGE SALE**  
2296 Buttrick, Wed. & Thurs., Aug. 14 & 15, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., girl's clothing, books, antique trunk, toys, household items, craft & sewing supplies.

**GARAGE SALE**  
6240 Whitneyville Rd., Alto. Fri., Aug. 16, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. & Sat., Aug. 17, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lots of children's clothes, girls baby thru 8, boys baby thru 8, household items, bikes, children's books & toys.

**GARAGE SALE**  
356 Valley Vista. Clothes! Clothes! Clothes! Vacuum, fish finder, misc. kitchen items. Thurs. & Fri., 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sat., 9 a.m. to noon.

**ONE DAY ONLY GARAGE SALE**  
Sat., Aug. 17 from 9-5 p.m. 6988 Hastings Road, 1st. house N. of Jimmy's Grill. Boys & girls infant thru adult - good quality clothing, great for back to school. Manicure table, picnic table, 7 ft. artificial Christmas tree, exercise bike, lots of toys, misc. items. This is one you don't want to miss. Something for everyone.

**GARAGE SALE**  
August 15, 1996 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 11020 Vergennes. Something for everyone. Rototiller, super single waterbed (mattress and heater), Queen size mattress and heater, Apple IIC plus computer with printer and color monitor, bikes, clothes, and misc. items.

**GARAGE SALE**  
Antiques & collectors come over and visit the first sale here for Precious Memories Antiques offered at exciting prices. Also 4 families gathered up quality items for this sale Thurs. & Fri., 9-6 p.m. 618 Lafayette.

**MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE**  
Rain or shine, Aug. 16 & 17, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., 4469 Causeway Dr., Murray Lake. Generator, tools, Honda Spree, speedboat, antiques, Christmas decorations, toys, bikes, furniture, brand name clothing, collectibles, firewood & many other household items.

**3-FAMILY GARAGE SALE**  
Lawnmower, Fisher Price workbench, old schoolhouse desk, clothes & lots more, Aug. 16 & 17, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., 506 Lincoln Lake.

**ANTIQUES**  
1890's oak 3-piece bedroom set, oak buffet; 1920 Victorian couch and 2 chairs. FURNITURE SALE - baby furniture, (4) oak high back swivel bar stools, oak kitchen table, (6) chairs & rocker. By appt., 897-9667 or sale Fri., 2-7 p.m., Sat., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; 2790 Canaan Creek Dr., Lowell, off Grand River between Kissing Rock & Snow Ave.

**GARAGE SALE**  
Antiques and collectibles, infant items & clothes - through boys size 4, household items & more. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 16, 9 a.m. to noon, Sat., Aug. 17, 12605 60th St., Alto.

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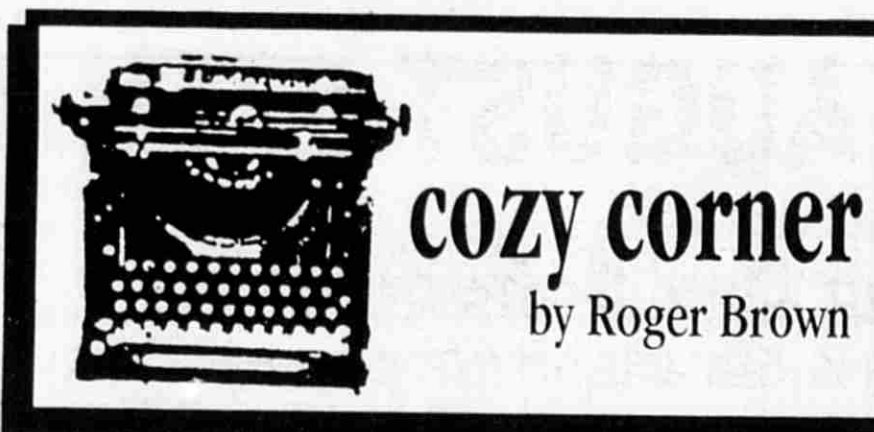
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# Viewpoint . . .



**cozy corner**  
by Roger Brown

Let me tell you about being a nice guy. So very often a nice guy's reward for being thoughtful, caring, humane and all that other nice guy stuff will get you a kick in the butt, and little else.

It was hot around here last week. Real hot! Hotter'n a snake's ass in a wagon rut. (I borrowed that from Robin Williams.) Actually, we're all a bunch of pansies when it comes to heat. My wife lives in the Florida Keys. My son is stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas. My daughter's boyfriend lives and works in Phoenix, Arizona. A good friend of the family is with the Peace Corps in Nicaragua. Those people can tell you about heat!

But, by Michigan standards, it was hot around here last week, and my dogs were suffering. I was suffering too, but us nice guys never dwell on ourselves. I don't mind the heat and humidity if I don't have to work. Getting in and out of the car a hundred times a day, wearing long pants and a tie, standing out in a car lot taking photos of used cars in the blazing sun... that kinda fun just doesn't wear out.

So, here I was dragging myself around town trying to hawk ads to customers who were just as miserable as I was when I noticed a stack of wading pools in front of the dime store. My dogs had one, but it was cracked down the side and would only hold a couple inches of water. I decided to pull in and buy them a new one. I took a parallel parking spot on the west side of Riverside, bought the pool, loaded it in the back seat and proceeded to back out. I was feeling good about doing

a nice guy deed for my dogs.

Riverside is a fairly narrow street and is configured with parallel parking on both sides. As you all know, there is considerable construction and confusion downtown. Consequently, I was keeping an eye out the driver side window for traffic turning off Main Street. I have no interest in buying the farm from being run over by a twenty ton front end loader. Any peripheral vision I may have had straight back was blocked by the wading pool in the back seat.

Just as I was about to stop, hook it in drive and proceed to the air-conditioned comfort of the office, I heard and felt a gentle thump. I put the car in park, jumped out and discovered a nice, new sedan with a dent in the driver side rear door. The woman driving the sedan had pulled out of a parking spot across the street and I had backed into her. Great!

We surveyed the damage. There was none to my car, as the bumper had done its job. Her door and the area just behind it were dented. We decided we should call the police. As we stood in the sweltering heat, the officer gathered information and determined I was at fault because the woman in the sedan had backed into the point of impact slightly ahead of me. If I'd been just a second or so quicker, she would have backed into my car. I concurred with that logic, and accepted fault in the mishap.

I felt like telling the officer that the heat was really to blame. If it hadn't been so hot, my dogs wouldn't have been miserable. If the dogs hadn't been miserable, I wouldn't have stopped to buy the pool that obscured my vision, and the accident never would have happened. I had a gut feeling the police officer wasn't going to buy into that logic, and I kept my mouth shut.

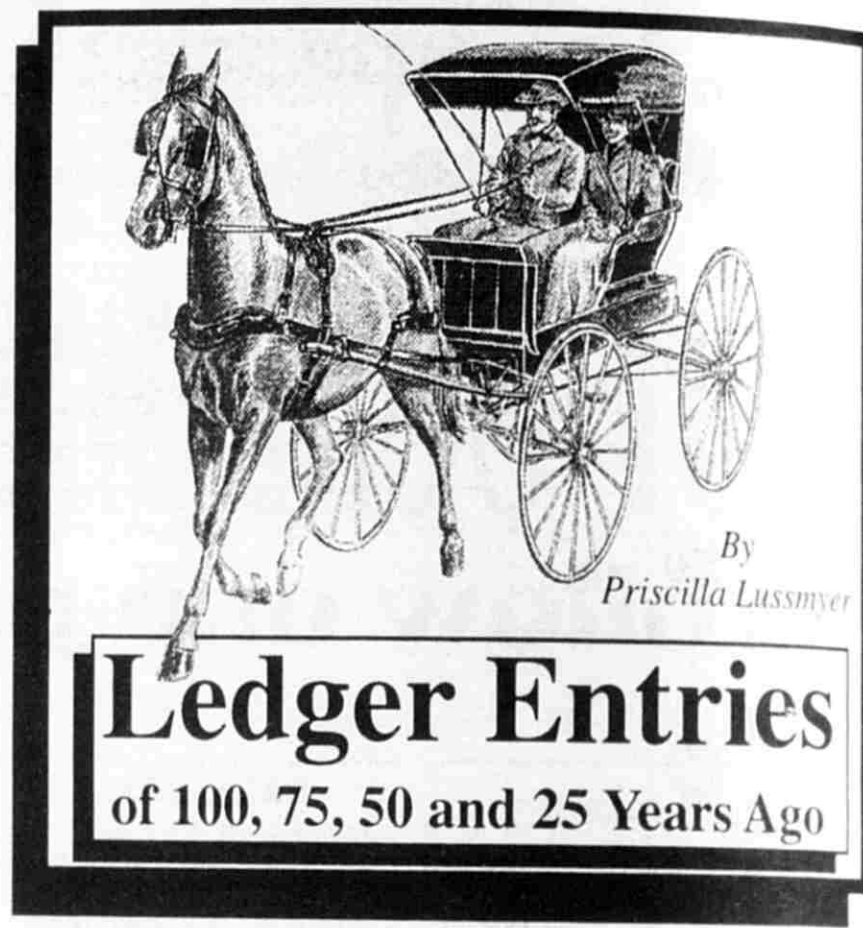
Fortunately, no ticket was issued. I really don't need any more of those right now. The officer filed an incident report and we were on our merry way. Well, perhaps that's a bit upbeat. Let's just say we left the scene.

For the remainder of the afternoon I had to listen to wisecracks from customers who had already heard about my little mishap. It is unbelievable how quickly word travels in

this town.

Finally, the workday was over, and I headed home with my wading pool. I crumpled up the old one and put it in the trash. I filled the new one and the dogs immediately plopped down in the cool water with big grins of contentment on their faces. Lucky for them. If they had chosen to ignore the comfort of the pool after what I went through, I'm afraid there would have been no more Mr. Nice Guy.

So, the moral to this story is, "If you insist on being a nice guy, you'd better watch your backside." Or, "If you're just plain stupid, at least look where you are backing."



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

### 125 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL WEEKLY JOURNAL - AUGUST 9, 1871

John Delaney of Vergennes realized 383 bushels of wheat from ten acres.

Capital stock of the Lowell National Bank stands at \$100,000. A dividend of \$33,744.62 was declared this month. That's what it says.

Heavy winds Monday night blew down the framework for repair of the upper Grand River bridge. Contractor Brazeo promises to be finished in a few days.

James L. Allen's horse dies of rattlesnake bite below its eye. Several rattlesnakes have been killed in that area of Lowell.

### 75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER AND THE ALTO SOLO - AUG. 11, 1921

Two boys are arrested and fined for killing turkeys on Leon McCarty's farm. He has also lost a hog and a cow to gunshots. The editor mentions that "No Hunting" signs are springing up everywhere because of actions like these.

Hazel Stout's Girl Scouts will care for babies and young children at City Hall, whose mothers wish to attend the Chautauqua next week.

A quarter-page of "poetry" with an advertising slant offers gems like this: "If you're thinking of a Monument, To mark the place of Rest, Of some departed loved one, Then why not get the best. We carve from the heart of granite-It stands the weather test, Therefore our stones are better, and outlast all the rest.—Lowell Granite Co. Phone 20."

### 50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - AUG. 8, 1946

The new streamliners will pass through Alto and Elm Dale next Saturday. The trains even offer entertainment for passengers and a new phone-ahead ticket reservation system.

Wittenbach Sales & Service contracts to have their new 82'x100' building put up on Main Street west of the Pere Marquette tracks.

About half of Michigan's doubled farm sales are city people, many of whom made enough money to invest in a hobby farm.

Local churches' request to close taverns on Sunday is read and filed by Common Council.

Fire chasers within 500 feet of a fire, and Main Street double-parkers are being ticketed.

### 25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER/SUBURBAN LIFE - AUG. 12, 1971

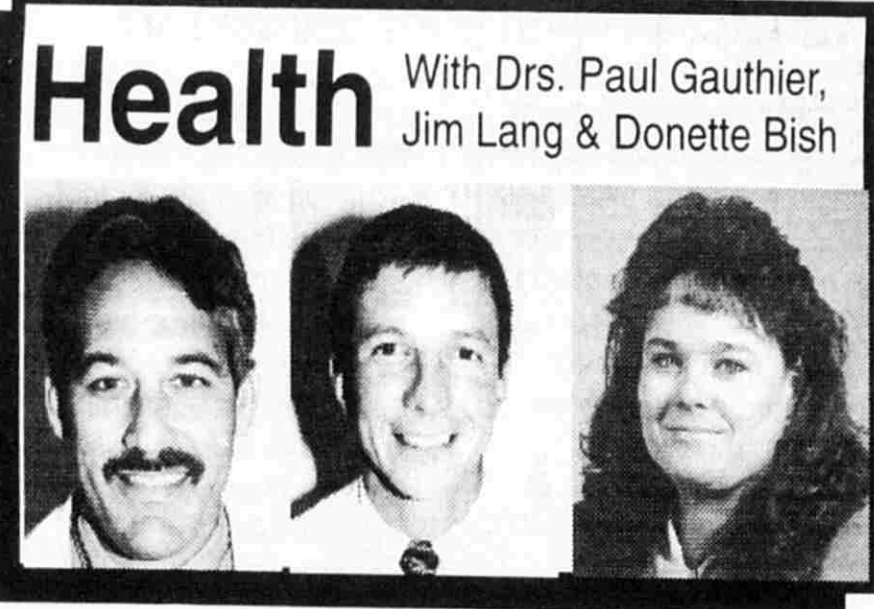
Mayor Harold Jefferies and wife start on a two-week sailing cruise to the Greek islands of the Aegean Sea.

Lowell is a sample area for a U.S. census study on employment; several households will be visited next week.

Lowell's second-quarter share of the state Highway Fund collections is \$11,432, higher than last year.

Former resident Hoyt Avery and his AuTrain studio in the U.P. are an inside-page feature.

The Western Michigan Balloon Association has established headquarters at the Lowell airport, with a dozen members.



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

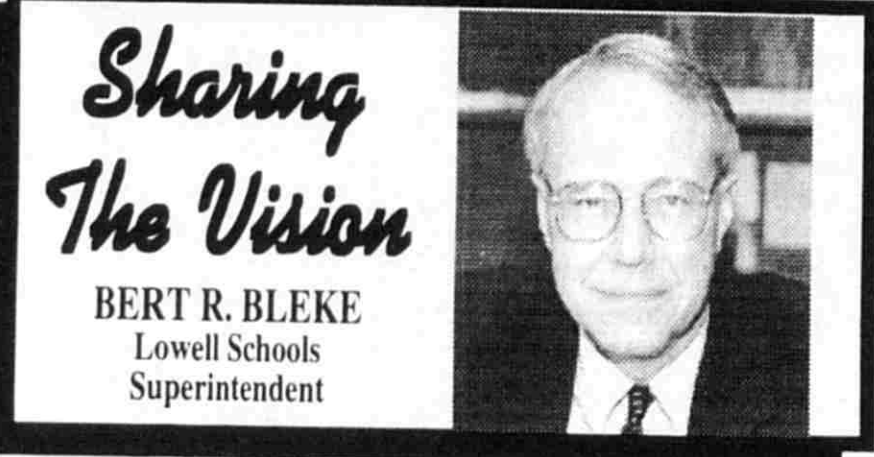
### RHUS DERMATITIS

Rhus dermatitis is an acute or chronic inflammation of the skin caused from contact with poison ivy, poison sumac, or poison oak plants. All parts of the plant contain a potent oleoresin (or resin) called urushiol. Irritation of the skin occurs from contact with the leaf or internal parts of the stems or roots and can occur at anytime of the year including winter and fall.

The severity of the dermatitis depends upon the quantity of resin in contact with the skin. Smaller quantities of resin produce only redness, whereas large quantities cause redness and blistering. Exposure to the resin can be obtained from contaminated animal hair (dog or cat), or from clothing or from smoke while burning the plant.

The outbreak of redness or blisters may appear as quickly as eight hours after contact or be delayed for a week or more. New blisters can occur a week later after the initial exposure. Blister fluid does not contain the resin and contrary to popular belief, cannot spread the inflammation.

Washing the skin with soap and water removes the surface resin, preventing further contamination. Washing is most effective if done within 15 minutes of exposure. If blistering occurs, use cold wet compresses for 15 to 30 minutes several times a day for one to three days until itching and severe blistering is controlled. Oral steroids or a shot of steroid may be needed if inflammation is severe. A short, cool tub of Aveeno oatmeal bath is very soothing and helps to control widespread inflammation. Calamine lotion controls itching, but prolong use may cause excessive drying. Benedryl can help to control the itch and encourage a good night's sleep. The best treatment of Rhus dermatitis is avoidance with the plants.



**Sharing The Vision**  
BERT R. BLEKE  
Lowell Schools  
Superintendent

three-year window of opportunity to pass additional millage. Your school board has chosen not to request additional millage the first two years. However, in this final year, the Board has decided to seek the enhancement millage in order to substantially improve student access to technology and student transportation services.

As a taxpayer, the request for an increase of 2.79 mills is not particularly good news. The Board of Education understands this. There is good news, however, in that the Board has also voted to reduce the current debt levy for 1996 by 1.0 mills. This means that the enhancement millage of 2.79 mills when passed, would equate to an increase of only 1.79 mills.

**FOR THE 1996 SCHOOL YEAR ONLY:**  
2.79 mills enhancement request  
-1.00 mill debt levy reduction  
**1.79 mill net increase**

Please call the superintendent's office at 897-8415 regarding any questions that you may have concerning the enhancement millage and the debt levy reduction.

Your comments about this concern or any issue would be greatly appreciated. Send to Bert Bleke, Lowell Area Schools, 300 High St., P.O. Box 269, Lowell, MI 49331.

On Tuesday, September 24, the Lowell Board of Education will ask its citizens to support a 2.79 enhancement millage. The purpose of this millage is to increase the school district's capabilities in the area of technology and transportation. In technology, our goal is to place a computer in all of our students' classrooms as well as a new computer lab in Bushnell Elementary School. In the area of transportation, we wish to purchase nine buses over the next two years. These buses will replace our oldest buses to increase student safety as well as accommodate student growth.

As a citizen, it is important to understand that an enhancement millage is a part of Proposal A passed by the State legislature in 1994. Proposal A allowed school districts a

# LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS

School Begins...

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 27TH

### Opening Day Schedule

Elementary Grades K-5th attend 1/2 day - AM only  
Secondary Grades 6th - 12th attend full day

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

Elementary Grades K-5th attend 1/2 day - AM only  
Secondary Grades 6th-12th attend full day

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

FULL DAY FOR ALL STUDENTS



### TELEPHONE NUMBERS FOR HIGH SCHOOL OFFICES:

- Main Office:.....897-4125
- Athletic Office:.....897-4442
- Food Service:.....897-4443
- Performing Arts Center:.....897-4449

### Lowell Area Schools 1996-97 SCHOOL CALENDAR

**AUGUST**

- 22-23 Th./Fr. Orientation Day for new staff
- 26 Monday Full day for all staff - school preparation. No classes for students
- 27 Tuesday First day of school for students  
Kindergarten: 1/2 day for students and staff  
1-5 Elementary: 1/2 day for students; full day for staff  
6-12 Secondary: Full day for students and staff
- 28 Wednesday K-5 Elementary: 1/2 day for students and staff  
6-12 Secondary: Full day for students and staff

**JANUARY**

- 6 Monday Classes Resume
- 17 Friday (6-12 Secondary: End of first semester)
- 20 Monday Staff Professional Development Day - No school for students K-12
- 24 Friday (K-5 Elementary: Midway through second trimester)

**SEPTEMBER**

- 2 Monday Labor Day - No school for students or staff
- 16 Monday Staff Professional Development Day - No School for students K-12

**FEBRUARY**

- 3 Monday Alto & Bushnell Kdg. Conf.: 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Cherry Creek Elem. Conf.: 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 4 Tuesday Alto Elem. K-5 Conferences: 4:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
Bushnell Elem. K-1 Conferences: 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 5 Wednesday Cherry Creek Elem. Conf.: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 6 Thursday Alto Kdg. Conferences: 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Bushnell Elem. K-1 Conf.: 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 10 Monday Alto & Bushnell Kdg. Conf.: 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 11 Tuesday Cherry Creek Elem. Conf.: 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Bushnell Elem. K-1 Conf.: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 13 Thursday Bushnell Kdg. Conf.: 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
Cherry Creek Elem. Conf.: 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Alto Elem. Gr. 1-5 Conf.: 4:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 18 Tuesday 6-8 Secondary Conferences: 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
9-12 Secondary Conferences: 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 19 Wednesday 6-8 Secondary Conferences: 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
9-12 Secondary Conferences: 4:00 - 7:30 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 20 Thursday 6-8 Secondary Conferences: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
Kindergarten Only: No School for students and staff
- 21 Friday 1-5 Elementary: Full day for students and staff  
6-12 Secondary: 1/2 day for students; full day for staff
- 24 Monday Mid-Winter Break - No school for students and staff K-12
- 25 Tuesday School resumes

**OCTOBER**

- 8 Tuesday Alto & Bushnell Kdg. Conf.: 4:30 - 8:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 10 Thursday Bushnell Elem. K-1 Conf.: 4:30 - 8:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 11 Friday Alto & Bushnell Kindergarten Only: No school for students and staff  
Grades 1-12: Full day for students and staff  
(K-5 Elementary: Midway through first trimester)
- 14 Monday Alto & Bushnell Kdg. Conf.: 4:30 - 8:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 15 Tuesday Bushnell Elem. K-1 Conf.: 4:30 - 8:00 p.m.  
6-8 Secondary Conferences: 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
9-12 Secondary Conferences: 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 16 Wednesday 6-8 Secondary Conferences: 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 17 Thursday Alto & Bushnell Kdg. Conf.: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon  
Bushnell K-1 Elem. Conf.: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
Cherry Creek Elem. Conf.: 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.  
Alto Elem. K-5 Conf.: 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.  
Alto Elem. Gr. 1-5 Conf.: 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.  
6-8 Secondary Conferences: 12:00 noon - 4:00 p.m.  
9-12 Secondary Conferences: 3:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
Alto & Bushnell Kdg. Only: No school for students; full day staff
- 18 Friday Grades 1-12: 1/2 day for students; full day for staff  
No school for students and staff K-12
- 21 Monday Cherry Creek Elem. Conf.: 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Alto Kdg. Conferences: 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 24 Thursday Alto Elem. K-5 Conferences: 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Cherry Creek Elem. Conf.: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12
- 29 Tuesday Cherry Creek Elem. Conf.: 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12

**MARCH**

- 7 Friday (K-5 Elementary: End of second trimester)
- 27 Thursday End of third marking period
- 28 Friday Good Friday - No school for students and staff K-12

**NOVEMBER**

- 1 Friday (6-12 Secondary: End of first marking period)
- 6 Wednesday Staff Professional Development Day - No school for students K-12
- 27 Wednesday (K-5 Elementary: end of first trimester)
- 28-29 Th./Fr. Thanksgiving Vacation - No school for students and staff K-12

**APRIL**

- 3 Thursday Last day of classes before Spring Recess (Spring Recess: 4-13)
- 14 Monday School Resumes
- 25 Friday (K-5 Elementary: Midway through third trimester)

**DECEMBER**

- 20 Friday Winter Holiday begins at end of day; (Winter Holiday: 12/21-1/5)

**MAY**

- 2 Friday Staff Professional Development Day - No school for students K-12
- 26 Monday Memorial Day - No school for students and staff K-12

**JUNE**

- 8 Sunday High School Graduation
- 13 Friday Last Day of School K-12

**1996-1997 OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE**

BUSHNELL	Thurs., Aug. 22	6:30-8 pm
CHERRY CREEK (2nd grade only)	Wed., Aug. 28	7-8 pm
CHERRY CREEK (grades 3-5)	Wed., Sept. 4	6:30-7:30 pm
MIDDLE SCHOOL	Thurs. Sept. 5	7:30-8:30 pm
HIGH SCHOOL	Tues., Sept. 10	7-8:30 pm
ALTO	Thurs., Sept. 19	7-8:30 pm

Totals: 181 Student Days - 188 Days for Staff  
\* Any "Make-up Days" due to "Act of God" for K-12 would begin Mon., June 16, 1997

### Kindergarten Information

If your child has not been registered (through our kindergarten roundup last spring), please do so as soon as possible by calling the school in your attendance area (or the superintendent's office at 897-8415 if you are unsure of which school your child will attend), and the bus garage for specific kindergarten information.

### YOU WILL NEED:

1. Birth Certificate
2. A Record of Immunization
3. Proof of Vision & Hearing Test
4. Medical & Dental Information
5. Completed Registration Form

To comply with state regulations, we cannot officially enroll your child into kindergarten without the above listed items.



# BACK TO SCHOOL INFORMATION CONTINUED...

## 1996-1997 SCHOOL YEAR Starting & Dismissal Times

Building	Student Day Begins	Student Day Ends
High School	7:45 a.m.	2:10 p.m.
Alternative High School	7:55 a.m.	2:00 p.m.
Middle School	8:00 a.m.	2:25 p.m.
Cherry Creek & Alto Elementaries	9:10 a.m.	3:20 p.m.
Bushnell Elementary	9:00 a.m.	3:10 p.m.

## FOOD SERVICE - FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATIONS

Applications for free or reduced lunches will be handed out to elementary children the first day of school. The application is also included in the district-wide newsletter, **DIRECTIONS**, which is being mailed out on August 15.

You may obtain the application by calling 897-4443 or visiting any school building including the administration office located at 300 High St. (Runciman building).



## MEAL PRICES

Elementary Breakfast	Secondary Breakfast	Elementary Lunch	Secondary Lunch
Full Pay \$ .80	Full Pay \$1.00	Full Pay \$1.35	Full Pay \$1.50
Reduced \$ .30	Reduced \$ .40	Reduced \$ .40	Reduced \$ .40

### TENNIS

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
08/16/96	Sparta Inv.	A	8:00 AM
08/23/96	Northview Inv.	A	TBA
08/28/96	Union	A	4:00 PM
08/29/96	Rogers	H	4:00 PM
09/05/96	Greenville	H	4:00 PM
09/07/96	Ionina Tour.	A	8:00 AM
09/09/96	E.G.R.	A	4:00 PM
09/11/96	Zeeland	A	4:00 PM
09/16/96	Hastings	H	4:00 PM
09/18/96	F.H.C.	A	4:00 PM
09/20/96	Portland	A	4:00 PM
09/23/96	Northview	H	4:00 PM
09/25/96	Wy. Park	A	4:00 PM
09/30/96	Hudsonville	A	4:00 PM
10/05/96	Conference	A	A
10/08/96	Ionina	A	4:00 PM
10/09/96	Cedar Springs	A	4:00 PM

### SOCCER

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
08/17/96	Ottawa (Scr.)	A	10:00 AM
08/23/96	Tri Unity	A	5:00 PM
08/26/96	Greenville	H	5:00 PM
08/28/96	Lakewood	A	4:00 PM
08/31/96	Union	H	11:00 AM
09/03/96	Hudsonville	A	4:00 PM
09/06/96	Hastings	A	5:00 PM
09/10/96	Northview	H	5:00 PM
09/12/96	Zeeland	H	5:00 PM
09/17/96	E.G.R.	H	5:00 PM
09/18/96	Rogers (JV)	A	4:00 PM
09/21/96	Wy. Park (V)	H	4:00 PM
09/24/96	F.H.C.	H	5:00 PM
09/26/96	Hudsonville	H	5:00 PM
10/01/96	Hastings	H	5:00 PM
10/03/96	Northview	A	4:00 PM
10/07/96	Zeeland	A	4:00 PM
10/10/96	E.G.R.	A	4:00 PM
10/14/96	Ionina (JV)	A	4:00 PM
10/15/96	Wy. Park (V)	A	4:00 PM
10/17/96	F.H.C.	A	4:00 PM

### FOOTBALL VARSITY

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
09/06/96	Ionina	A	7:30 PM
09/13/96	E.G.R.	H	7:30 PM
09/20/96	Zeeland	A	7:30 PM
09/27/96	Hastings	H	7:30 PM
10/04/96	F.H.C.	A	7:30 PM
10/11/96	Northview	H	7:30 PM
10/18/96	Wy. Park	A	7:30 PM
10/25/96	Hudsonville	A	7:30 PM
11/01/96	Greenville	H	7:30 PM

### FOOTBALL FRESHMAN/J.V.

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
09/05/96	Ionina	H	5:00 PM
09/12/96	E.G.R.	A	5:00 PM
09/19/96	Zeeland	H	5:00 PM
09/26/96	Hastings	A	5:00 PM
10/03/96	F.H.C.	H	5:00 PM
10/10/96	Northview	A	5:00 PM
10/17/96	Wy. Park	H	5:00 PM
10/24/96	Hudsonville	H	5:00 PM
10/31/96	Greenville	A	5:00 PM

### GOLF VARSITY

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
08/20/96	Kent Classic	A	TBA
08/22/96	Lowell Inv.	H	8:00 AM
08/27/96	Rogers (Byron Hills)	A	3:30 PM
09/05/96	Wy. Park/Hastings	H	3:30 PM
09/10/96	North/Hudsonville	A	3:30 PM
09/12/96	F.H.C.	A	3:30 PM
09/17/96	Zeeland/E.G.R.	A	3:30 PM
09/19/96	Hastings/Wy. Park	A	3:30 PM
09/23/96	Ionina	A	3:30 PM
09/24/96	North/Hudsonville	H	3:30 PM
09/26/96	F.H.C.	H	3:30 PM
09/30/96	E.G.R./Zeeland	A	3:30 PM
10/07/96	Conference	A	A

### GOLF J.V.

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
09/03/96	E.G.R./F.H.C. Scramble	A	3:30 PM
09/05/96	Kenowa Hills	H	3:30 PM
09/10/96	Wayland	A	3:30 PM
09/12/96	Caledonia	A	3:30 PM
09/19/96	South Christian	A	3:30 PM
09/24/96	Thornapple-Kellogg	H	3:30 PM
09/26/96	Byron Center	A	3:30 PM
10/03/96	Spectrum Tour.	A	3:30 PM

## LOWELL FALL ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

### CROSS COUNTRY

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
08/24/96	Benzie Central Inv.	A	10:00 AM
08/29/96	Caledonia/Middle	A	4:00 PM
09/04/96	E.G.R.	A	4:00 PM
09/07/96	Bullock Creek Inv.	A	10:00 AM
09/11/96	Zeeland	A	4:00 PM
09/14/96	Sparta Inv.	A	A
09/18/96	Hastings	A	4:00 PM
09/21/96	Lowell Inv.	H	9:00 AM
09/25/96	F.H.C.	H	4:00 PM
09/28/96	Carson City - Crystal	A	9:00 AM
10/02/96	Northview	A	4:00 PM
10/09/96	Wy. Park	A	4:00 PM
10/16/96	Hudsonville	A	4:00 PM
10/21/96	Conference	A	4:00 PM

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
08/30/96	Rogers	A	4:00 PM
09/03/96	Belding	A	4:00 PM
09/05/96	Ionina	H	4:00 PM
09/12/96	Greenville	H	4:00 PM
09/17/96	E.G.R.	H	4:00 PM
09/19/96	Zeeland	A	4:00 PM
09/24/96	Hastings	H	4:00 PM
09/26/96	F.H.C.	A	4:00 PM
10/01/96	Northview	H	4:00 PM
10/05/96	F.H.N.	A	2:00 PM
10/10/96	Wy. Park	A	4:00 PM
10/15/96	Hudsonville	A	4:00 PM
10/17/96	Middleville	A	4:00 PM
10/22/96	E.G.R.	A	4:00 PM
10/24/96	Zeeland	H	4:00 PM
10/29/96	Hastings	A	4:00 PM
11/05/96	F.H.C.	H	4:00 PM
11/07/96	Northview	A	4:00 PM
11/12/96	Wy. Park	H	4:00 PM
11/14/96	Hudsonville	H	4:00 PM



## LOWELL ADULT & COMMUNITY EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF CLASSES & ACTIVITIES 897-8434

### ADULT HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION

If you've been putting off returning to school to earn a diploma, **NOW IS THE TIME TO DO IT!** Lowell Community Ed. offers evening classes that you can attend in a relaxed, friendly atmosphere. Classes begin in the Riverside Building on North Monroe Street on September 9. Please call Marge 897-8434 for information or to register. Classes offered are math, science, language arts, U.S. History, government, Introduction to IBM computers. (Graduates may take these classes for an \$80 fee) Adult non-grads can also take classes free at the Kent Career/Technical Center for high school credit.

If you don't know how many credits you need, just call 897-8434. We will send for your credits with no obligation on your part.

### ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION

Lowell has 2 alternative programs: New Dawn, for pregnant teens or young moms, and New Beginnings High School. Please call Marlene at 897-8235 for information.

### KENT CAREER/TECHNICAL CENTER SCHEDULE

Fall 1996 Schedule of Classes  
Starting Date September 3, 1996  
High School Completion

Class	Day	Start Date	Tuition Fee	Time	Weeks
<b>AGRICULTURAL</b>					
Floral Design I	M	9/9	\$150	6-10 pm	15
<b>BUSINESS</b>					
Accounting I	W	9/4	\$100	6-10 pm	15
Secretarial	W	9/4	\$100	6-10 pm	15
<b>HEALTH OCCUPATIONS</b>					
Graduate Nurse Aide T&TH	9/3	\$100	5-10 pm	8 1/2	
<b>HOME &amp; COMMERCIAL SERVICE</b>					
Culinary Arts-Introduction	M	9/9	\$100	6-10 pm	15
<b>INDUSTRIAL/MECHANICAL</b>					
Auto Mechanics-Tune-Up/ Electrical	M	9/9	\$100	6-10 pm	15
Heating - Burner Service	W	9/4	\$100	6-10 pm	15
Machining I	T	9/3	\$100	6-10 pm	15
Machining II	W	9/4	\$100	6-10 pm	15
Professional Auto Body I	M	9/9	\$150	6-10 pm	15
Refrigeration I	M	9/9	\$125	6-10 pm	15
Small Engine Repair	TH	9/9	\$100	6-10 p.m.	15
<b>TECHNICAL</b>					
Electronics	T	9/3	\$100	6-10 pm	15

### ENRICHMENT CLASSES

Class	Day	Start Date	Tuition Fee	Time	Weeks
<b>AGRICULTURAL</b>					
Floral Design II	W	9/18	\$150	6-9 pm	10
Floral Design III	TH	9/19	\$150	6-9 pm	10
<b>*Floral Seminars - 1 week classes - class supplies are provided</b>					
Fall/Dried Door Swag	T	10/8	\$25	6-9 pm	1
Fresh Christmas Wreath	T	12/3	\$25	6-9 pm	1
Fresh Christmas Centerpieces	T	12/17	\$25	6-9 pm	1
Horizontal Eucalyptus Swag	T	11/5	\$25	6-9 pm	1
Thanksgiving Centerpiece	T	11/26	\$25	6-9 pm	1
Topiary Design	T	10/22	\$25	6-9 pm	1

Class	Day	Start Date	Tuition Fee	Time	Weeks
Landscape Design I	W	9/18	\$100	6-9 pm	10
Plant Identification	T	9/17	\$100	6-9 pm	10

Class	Day	Start Date	Tuition Fee	Time	Weeks
<b>BUSINESS</b>					
Entrepreneurship - Establishing A Small Business	M	9/16	\$100	6-9 pm	10
Excel	W	11/13	\$60	6-9 pm	3
Keyboard Skills	W	9/25	\$100	6-8:30 pm	8
Lotus 1-2-3	M	9/23	\$100	6-8 pm	8
Microsoft Word for Windows	W	10/16	\$60	6-9 pm	3
Microsoft Works for Windows	W	9/11	\$80	6-9 pm	4
Peachtree	TH	9/26	\$100	6-9 pm	8
Platinum	T	9/24	\$100	6-9 pm	8
Windows 3.1	W	9/25	\$100	6-9 pm	4
Word Perfect/6.1 Windows	M	9/23	\$100	6-9 pm	4

### CONSTRUCTION TRADES

Residential Const.-Finishing	M	9/9	\$100	6-9 pm	10
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Class	Day	Start Date	Tuition Fee	Time	Weeks
Commercial Photography I	T	9/17	\$100	6-9 pm	10
Intro to Macintosh-Graphics	M	9/23	\$100	6-8:30 pm	8
Pagemaker 5.0	W	9/25	\$100	6-8:30 pm	8
Quark Express	T	9/24	\$100	6-8:30 pm	8

### INDUSTRIAL/MECHANICAL

Class	Day	Start Date	Tuition Fee	Time	Weeks
Auto Mechanics - Front End	W	9/18	\$100	6-9 pm	10
Basic Hydraulics/Pneumatic	TH	9/19	\$150	6-9 pm	8
Blueprint Reading	T	10/1	\$60	6-9 pm	4
CNC Router - Furniture	T	9/24	\$175	6-9 pm	8
Machining - CNC	TH	9/19	\$100	6-9 pm	10
Professional Auto Body I	W	9/18	\$150	6-9 pm	10

### QUALITY

Class	Day	Start Date	Tuition Fee	Time	Weeks
Beg. Quality (TQM Primer)	T	10/1	\$150	6-8 pm	4
Interpersonal Skills	TH	10/3	\$150	6-8 pm	4
7-Step Problem Solving	M	10/14	\$150	6-8 pm	4

\* Class supplies are provided for the 1 week Floral Seminar classes only.

### TECHNICAL

Class	Day	Start Date	Tuition Fee	Time	Weeks
Basic Electricity	M	9/16	\$100	6-9 pm	10
Drafting-CAD/Advanced	M	9/16	\$125	6-9 pm	10
Rel. 13 Windows/DOS					
Drafting - CAD/Basic	TH	9/19	\$125	6-9 pm	10
Rel. 13 Windows/DOS					
Drafting - CAD/Intermediate	W	9/18	\$125	6-9 pm	10
Rel. 13 Windows/DOS					
NEC 1993 - Journeyman	T	9/24	\$165	6-9 pm	8
NEC 1993 - Masters	TH	9/19	\$195	6-9 pm	10
Plastics Technology	TH	9/19	\$150	6:30-9 pm	8

All courses will require additional supply and/or textbook charges.

### COMPUTER CLASSES

**Windows '95** - Begins Tues., Sept. 10 - runs for 8 weeks from 7-9 pm, in the Riverside Building. Cost \$80.  
**Introduction to IBM Computers** - Begins Thurs., Sept 12 from 6:30 -10 pm in the Riverside Building. Cost \$80.

### KARATE CLASSES (Kids & Adults)

Sanchin-Ryu Karate & Self-Defense - Begins Mon., Sept. 9, Riverside Building.  
Athletes in Motion - Begins Thurs., Sept. 12 - Runciman Begins Tues., Sept. 17 - Alto

### GED TESTING

Lowell Community Ed. is a GED testing site. Please call Marge at 897-8434 for information or to schedule testing.

### GOLDEN AGE CARDS

Senior Citizens (retired & over age 60) who live in the Lowell School District can apply for Golden Age Cards through Lowell Community Ed. Please call 897-8434 for an application form.

### TRIPS

Some of the trips being offered this year are:  
Liza Minnelli in concert.....Sept. 21  
Country Inns & Old Mills of Ontario.....Oct. 3-5  
Mackinac Island - Grand Hotel .....Oct. 13-15  
Branson, Missouri.....Oct. 21-26



### LOWELL I APARTMENTS

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## Lowell Police Department purchases one of few remaining Caprice cruisers

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

When Chevrolet completes filling its 1995 Caprice orders in December, it will discontinue production of the popular police cruiser.

"Lowell, along with most other departments, was saddened to hear that Chevy will no longer produce the full-size Caprice police cruiser," Lowell police chief Jim Valentine said. "The Caprice cruiser has probably been the best we've had."

The demise of the Caprice came about due to the general lack of interest the public showed in it.

Chevrolet is going to

take the motor and drive train from the Caprice and put it in its pickup truck.

Chevy expects to get paid nearly double for the truck what it got for police cruisers. The price reduction that police departments enjoyed was partially due to a dealer assistance program Chevrolet offered.

In August of 1997, Chevrolet will introduce a two-wheel drive Tahoe (a down-sized Blazer) as a police vehicle.

The Lowell Police Department picked up one of the two remaining cruisers left on the Shaheen Chevrolet lot last week.

"I was told by two Chevrolet dealers Shaheen

was the only dealer around who fleet-ordered additional Caprice model police cars," Valentine said.

The new cruiser will replace a 1992 cruiser with 98,000 miles. The department ordered a new unit a year and a half ago and just received it in July.

With the arrival of a new cruiser last week, Lowell's patrol units are as follows: a 1995 Caprice (40,000 miles) and two new 1996 Caprice units. The 1994 Caprice with 88,000 miles will be converted to a staff car.

Money from the sale of the 1991 Caprice will be used to offset the cost of the cruiser delivered in July.

Money from the sale of

the 1992 cruiser will be used to offset the cost of the cruiser picked up last week. The purchase of that cruiser will require a budget adjustment from \$12,500 to the price of the car (\$20,476.96).

Those funds will be allocated from the general fund. Valentine said the department stayed with the Caprice (Crown Victoria is the only other police cruiser produced) based upon performance, the stocking of parts, and repairs.

"With the purchase of the cruiser, it will allow us to spread out the mileage on our patrol units and give us time to see what comes of the Tahoe and with the production of police cruisers," Valentine said.

## Host families needed for exchange students

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'new' family in America. The students are under the sponsorship of World Heritage International Student Exchange and will be arriving locally in August, to spend the 1996-97 academic year living with a host family and attending school.

The students have undergone an intensive screening process and each possesses the maturity to become a participating member of an American family - pitching in with everything from household chores to family discussions. The host family provides room and board and the

opportunity for the student of their choice to gain a firsthand appreciation of American daily lifestyles and democracy.

Families may select their student from student applications, photo collages, and biographical essays. Once paired, students and families are encouraged to begin corresponding prior to their late summer arrival. The local World Heritage volunteer representative will provide ongoing program support during the exchange year.

World Heritage is also seeking local high school stu-

dents to become an exchange student abroad. Students should be between 15 and 18 years old, maintain a B or better academic average, and be capable of handling an extended stay away from home, while living with a warm and caring host family. Shorter term summer programs are also available.

Families or couples who would like to receive more information about becoming an exchange student or hosting one, should call the World Heritage office at 800-888-9040.

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## Alton Bible Church welcomes its new pastor Ken Ford

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Those close to Ken Ford have always seemed to know what lies ahead for him before he does.

As a youth growing up in Grove City, Pennsylvania, those close to Ford always assumed the young boy would someday end up in the ministry.

On Sunday (Aug. 11), Ford will be installed as the new pastor of the Alton Bible Church.

"I don't know that I feel as if I am ready," Ford explained. "However, He (Jesus Christ) feels I am. I am willing to allow him to use me to meet and serve the needs of people."

Ford came to Grand Rapids in the fall of 1985 to attend

Grand Rapids Baptist College (now Cornerstone College). He graduated with a bachelor's degree in arts and religion in 1990. The following spring he attended the Grand Rapids Baptist Seminary.

Before completing his seminary work, Ford would question whether he was doing the right thing.

"I sat out of the seminary for a while to make sure I was pursuing the right direction," Ford said.

Through his hiatus, Ford uncovered his desire to continue his ministerial pursuit.

"There are people throughout this area and this country who are searching for answers to life," Ford said. "I hope to share with them that their needs can be met through Jesus Christ."

Prayer: O Lord, Thou doest all things well. Thou knowest what is best for me. Lead me where Thou wilt. Amen.

Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom, Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom, By waters still, o'er troubled sea, Still 'tis His hand that leadeth me!

Joseph Henry Gilmore

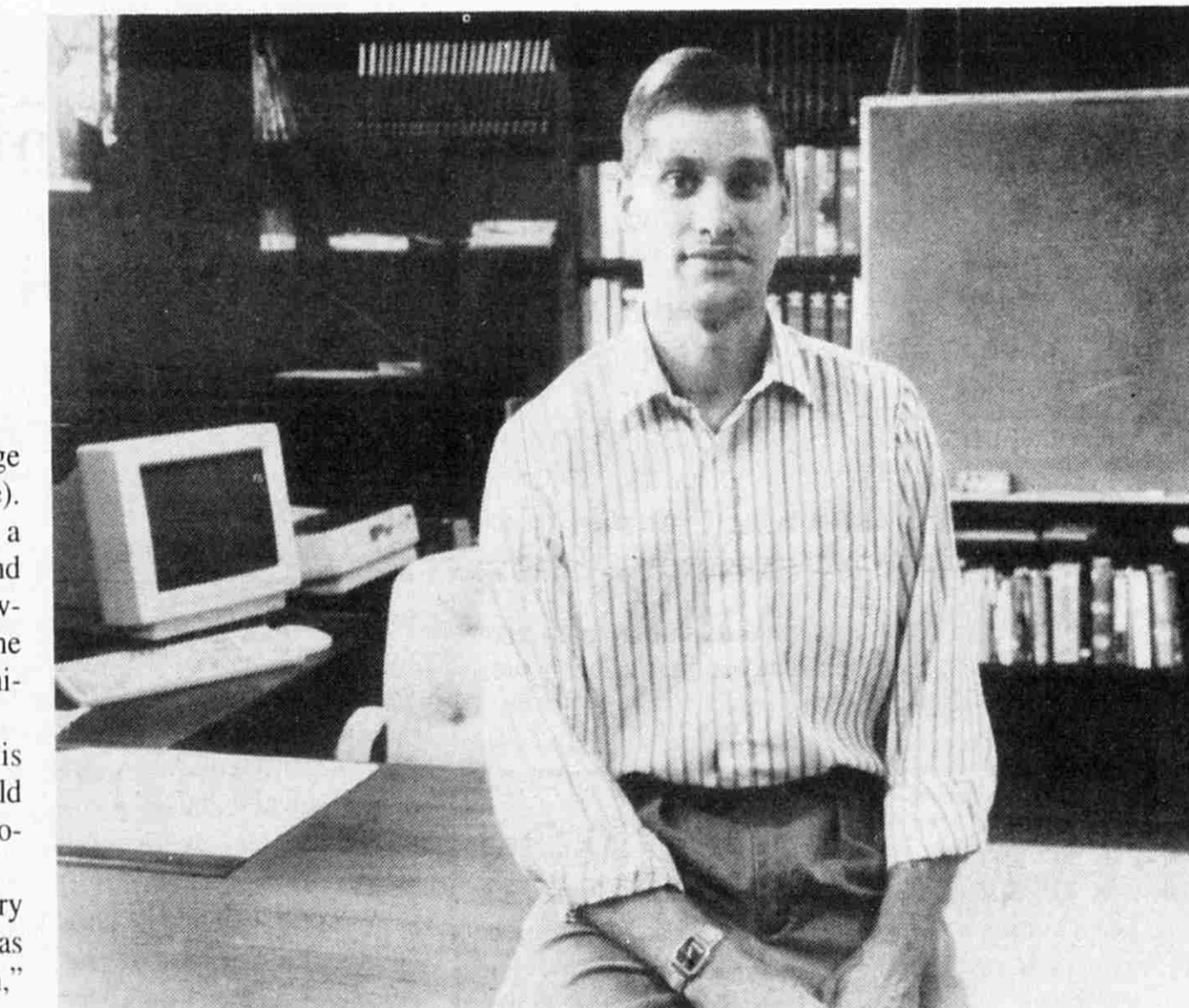
### Revival meeting slated

River of Revival will be at Christian Life Center, 3050 Alden Nash SE, Lowell, on August 18, 19, 20 and 21. Special speaker is Bob Klingenberg with special guest soloist, Judy Buffum.

On Sunday, August 18, services are at 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Services on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday are at 7:00 p.m. For more information, call 897-1100.



For the Germans, coffee drinking was at first largely a masculine pleasure. Johann Sebastian Bach wrote a "Coffee Cantata" expressing the emotions of women whose husbands neglected them to drink coffee with the boys.



Pastor Ken Ford

The Alton Bible Church, with a congregation of 100, is Ford's first pastoral position. "I'm excited and I'm in awe of the responsibility," he explains.

Ford, who was born in Xenia, Ohio, but raised in Grove City, has two brothers

and a sister. His parents, George and Donna Ford, reside in Mercer, Pennsylvania. The young 28-year-old pastor and his wife Shantell (of eight years) have three children: Justin (six), Alissa

(four) and Kendra (two). "I really enjoy the small town/community," Ford said. When he's not fulfilling his ministerial duties, Ford enjoys the outdoors (hunting and gardening).

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**AUGUST 15** - Ben Raymor, Lila Thaler, Vada Kline, Bill Barber, Dena Baylis, Vivian Johnson, Donna Shaffer.  
**AUGUST 16** - Helen Vezino, Don Gasper, Trent Raab, Mike Mooney, Ryan Aksamitowski.  
**AUGUST 17** - Brittany Essich.  
**AUGUST 18** - Matthew D'Agostino, Sandy Dykhuizen, Sean Pawloski, Paul Reggie Owen, Paul R. Owen II.

**AUGUST 19** - Peggy Idema, Joseph Thaler, Lois Boonstra, Braydon Brown, Brian DeBold, Daryl Chamberlain.  
**AUGUST 20** - Mattie Dalziel, B.J. Rittersdorf, Alexis Holloway.  
**AUGUST 21** - Madelyn Pfaller, Charlene DeShane-Dalga, Tim Aksamitowski, Joshua Hobla.

Michele and Rick Kuiper of Grand Rapids are pleased to announce the arrival, 5 1/2 weeks prematurely of Joshua Henry on August 4, 1996. Josh weighed 5 lbs. 6 oz. and was 18 3/4 inches long. At home waiting for Josh is big sister Alexandria, age 17 months.

Grandparents are Charlie and Dee Doyle of Lowell and Gerry and John Kuiper of Cutlerville. Great-grandmothers are Alice Baut of Lowell and Jean Braam of Jenison.

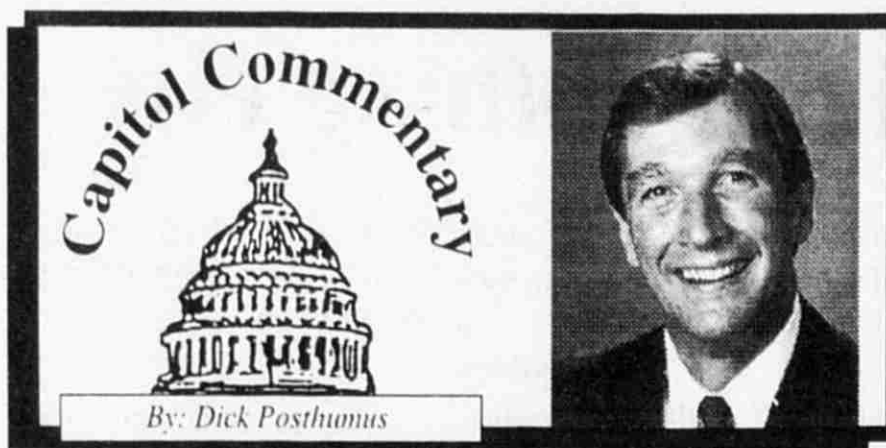
Gary and Cathy Acker are pleased to announce the arrival of another little boy, Kyle Jeffrey. He was born August 5, 1996, weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz. and measuring 20 inches long.

Big brothers are Cody and Connor Acker and Jeff Kuehle. Grandparents are Harold and Alma McKellar and Bud and Ruby Acker, all of Grand Rapids.

## 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>LOWELL WESLEYAN CHURCH</b> "A great place to bring your family!" 1069 N. Lincoln Lake Rd. Phone 897-6890 or 897-8304 <b>Sunday Morning</b> Worship begins at 11 A.M. Pastor Bill Price</p>
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<p><b>EVERGREEN MISSIONARY CHURCH</b> 10501 Settlewood • 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><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. Pastor Ken Ford (Home) 897-6418 897-5648 YOU ARE WELCOME!</p>	<p><b>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 10305 Bluewater Highway (Missouri Synod) Halfway between Lowell &amp; Saranac on M-21 Sunday Worship.....9:00 A.M. (Nursery available) Wednesday Evening.....7:00 P.M. JOSEPH FREMER, PASTOR 897-8307</p>
<p><b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> 2275 West Main Street Sun. Worship Service.....9:30AM &amp; 6:00PM Sunday School Hour.....11:00AM Contact Church Office for Prayer Mgt. times 897-7168 JOE GERKIN, PASTOR</p>	<p><b>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> (United Church of Christ) 404 North Hudson • 897-5906 Worship and Church School.....9:00 A.M. Dr. Roger LaWare.....Pastor Joe Le Pard.....Director of Education Meghan Culver.....Music Director Barrier-Free.....Nursery Provided</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>





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August, although a beautiful and busy month, has always been a bittersweet time. For most of our children it means continued carefree summer days, but it also means that the beginning of school is just around the corner. Our college bound children are no exception. My eldest daughter is preparing to return for her second year of college, and with a return to college, comes the return of the tuition, housing costs and book fees. Unfortunately, over the past 20-30 years, the national trend has been large increases in these costs, sometimes putting the price of receiving a college education out of reach.

In Michigan, however, there are a number of efforts being put forward by the state as well as the universities to keep the rising costs of a college education at bay.

At Central Michigan University, for instance, they have put together a strategy called the "Degree Partners Plan." Under

this program, CMU is guaranteeing graduation in four years for students enrolling in most of the university's undergraduate programs. If a student participating in the plan doesn't graduate in four years, the university will pay for the courses needed to finishing the degree. The plan is an option for students enrolling in fall semesters and applies to approximately 85 percent of CMU's 150 undergraduate programs. Students sign agreements and develop their four-year plans during summer orientation.

This innovative program helps keep college costs down by making sure an undergraduate degree only takes four years to complete. And it does so without mandating insurmountable course loads or summer classes.

Michigan State University is also implementing and guaranteeing a program that is helping to keep college costs down for students and their families. Their guarantee is that any yearly tuition increases will be at or lower than the rate of inflation. This helps students plan financially for their education, knowing that there will be no "unexpected" double-digit tuition increases while they are attending college.

Oakland University in Rochester is working hard to make college-level courses more accessible by implementing a system of long distance learning via interactive video. They have been offering three classes this year and will offer five next year to students in Traverse City. They also will be using interactive video to offer courses at other off-campus sites like Birmingham Center. They've also added a phone-registration system to make the process more efficient. With expanded technology, other Michigan universities and col-

leges are working to provide off-campus instruction, making access easier for people all over the state.

These cost-cutting, user-friendly innovations are just a few of the ways that Michigan's fine public universities are helping today's students become competitive in tomorrow's market. In the Senate, we've also been committed to preparing our students for the future. We've done this by enacting legislation that will increase higher education funding for next year.

This legislation, which we passed in the spring, reaffirms the Senate's long commitment to higher education by increasing funding 5.1 percent, the largest yearly increase since the 1980's. We know that in order for our children to be able to compete in the highly competitive market of tomorrow, they'll need a quality education. This budget will allow our public universities to continue to provide students with the skills they need to be successful. Through this additional funding, we are helping our universities to continue developing and implementing their innovative approaches to higher learning, all the while keeping the costs to students and their families under control.



A regulation basketball outweighs a regulation soccer ball.

**Condo development loses 10 feet in road but nothing else**

By Marc Popiolek  
Contributing Writer

Stedfast Construction's Lincoln Lake Site Condominium development hit a curve in the road which may delay the final outcome of the project, but will not deter it. Stedfast learned that its cul-de-sac radius is 10 feet

more than Vergennes Township's guidelines, which set the firm before the township's planning commission to work out the details.

"This delays it a little, but that is all," said Ed Huizenga, a representative of Stedfast. "The 10 feet just took up more room than what was needed."

The 10-foot discrepancy

was revealed when the township's engineer inspected the road.

Because the 10 additional feet were not part of the original plan, it was determined that a meeting with the commission would be in Stedfast's

best interest, said Rick Gillette, a member of the commission.

The commission agreed to recommend to the township board that the new plans, with the 10-foot reduction, be approved as presented by Huizenga.

The only condition facing Huizenga is that he provides owners of the "industrial" condominiums a copy of the easement and road

maintenance agreement and that both are understood by all parties.

"The road maintenance agreement is the only common element in the develop-

ment and presenting it is a matter of finding it in all the paper work," Huizenga said. "The township should have

the details to the development and it doesn't present a big problem."

The six-condominium development currently has three sites occupied with three more available.

**Roberta Jayne project to start in September**

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Residents in the area who have battled water back-ups in their basements due to high groundwater will soon be getting some much needed relief.

Bogard, Inc. (Grand Rapids) will begin work on the Roberta Jayne Street underdrain project the third week in September.

Lowell's city council authorized the installation of an underdrain immediately west of the rear yards along Roberta

Jayne Street to alleviate a high groundwater table adjacent to basement wall elevations.

The project involves the installation of 800 lineal feet of 12 inch slotted drain pipe (north of Sibley) with pea stone envelope backfill, three manholes, clearing and grub-

bing, curb and pavement restoration, surface restoration, engineering and contingencies.

The project was designed by McNamee, Porter and Seeley. The city will use \$38,000 from the Federal Community Development

Block Grant with the general fund providing the remaining \$22,600.

In a study completed back in January, the primary concern spelled out was a high groundwater table complicated by rainfall that brings the water table to a level so

that sump pumps can't keep up.

Also, the drainage ditch continually carries surface drainage to north of Gee Drive. This is consistently four to five feet above the level of basements along Roberta Jayne.

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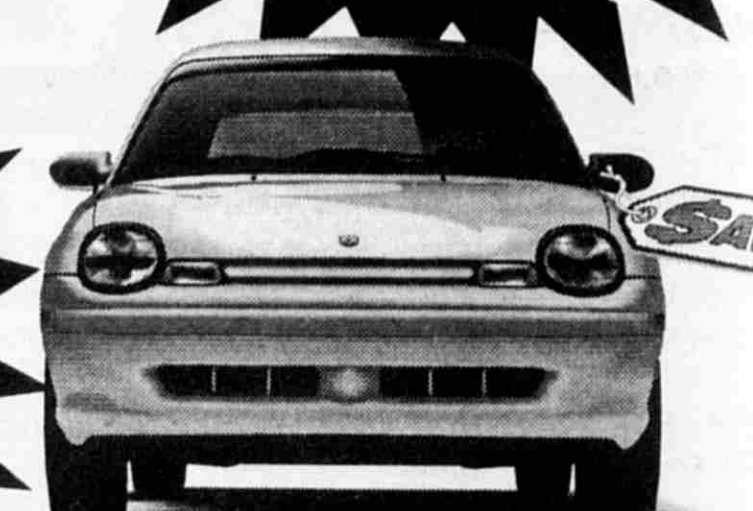
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**FIRST MONDAY EACH MONTH:** The South Kent 4-H group regular meetings at 7 p.m. in the Alto Elementary School cafeteria.

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

**MONDAYS:** Overeaters Anonymous new meeting, 7:30 p.m. at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 10305 Bluewater Hwy. Lowell. Call 451-8953. Come join us!

**SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH:** Golden Ages meet 6 p.m. at Hale House (Senior Neighbors, 314 S. Hudson). Potluck. All are welcome.

**SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH:** The Bowne Township Historical Society will hold its regular meetings at the Township Office, 6059 Linfield, Alto. The meeting is at 7:30 p.m.

**FOURTH MONDAY OF EACH MONTH:** American Legion Clark-Ellis Post 152 at Lowell V.F.W. Hall, 307 E. Main St. at 8 p.m.

**EVERY 1ST MONDAY:** V.F.W. Post 8303 meets at the V.F.W. Clubroom, 307 E. Main St. Lowell at 7 p.m.

**EVERY MON.:** Boy Scout Troop 102, for boys 11 and up or completing the 5th-grade, will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. during the school year in the Scout Cabin at the end of North Washington Street. Enjoy activities like hiking and camping and learn skills that can last a lifetime. For more information call 897-6405.

**TUESDAYS:** Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops MI#372 meets every Tuesday evening at Key Heights Mobile Home Park Community Building, Weigh-ins at 5:45 p.m.

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

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

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

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

**EVERY 1ST & 3RD TUESDAY:** Lowell Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Look Memorial Fire Station, South Hudson, Lowell.

**EVERY 3RD TUES:** Children with A.D.D./A.D.H.D Issues Group meeting at Sunshine Ministries between 3 & 4 Mile Road at 7 p.m. For information call Linda at 874-5662.

**EVERY 1ST TUES:** Adults with A.D.D. Issues Group meeting at Aquinas College in the classroom building (at the far end of the parking lot) on Woodward, just south of Fulton in room 109. For information call Ann at 949-8537.

**EVERY THIRD TUESDAY:** La Leche League of Ada, Cascade, Lowell meets at 7 p.m. for socializing with meeting at 7:30 p.m. Mother to mother support for pregnant and breastfeeding women. Nursing children are welcome to attend. Our current location is the Ada Congregational Church on Ada Drive. Call Laurie, 642-6195 for more information.

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

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

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

**EVERY FIRST WEDNESDAY:** Lowell Area Jaycees meet at 7 p.m. at Lowell City Hall. Individual, community and management development for young adults 21-39 years of age. Phone 897-0709 for information.

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

**EVERY FIRST WEDNESDAY:** Parenting group available the first Wednesday of the month from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Share, learn, question and discuss issues important to you as a parent. Call Sister Barbara Cline, F.S.E., at 897-7842 for more information. Held at the Franciscan Child Development Center.

**EVERY FOURTH WEDNESDAY:** Elderly volunteers needed to participate in the Intergenerational Program with school age children from Lowell in many different seasonal activities. Two times available: 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. or 12:45 to 1:45 p.m. Call Sister Colleen Ann Nagle, F.S.E. at the Franciscan Child Development Center, 897-7842.

**EVERY WEDNESDAY:** DivorceCare meets at 7 p.m. at the Helping Hands Child Care Center, 1188 Lincoln Lake Rd. This support and recovery program is for all adults experiencing divorce or separation. For more information, call (616) 897-6890.

**THURSDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops MI, No. 333.** Saranac, meets every Thursday evening at the Saranac Public Library. Weigh-ins at 6:45 p.m.

**EVERY THURSDAY:** The Alto Lions Club meets at 7 p.m. at the Alto Elementary School cafeteria.

**EVERY SECOND THURSDAY:** Lowell V.F.W. Auxiliary No. 8303 meets at 3:30 p.m. at the V.F.W. Post, 307 W. Main Street, Lowell.

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p.m., meeting at 1:30 p.m. New members and guests are welcome.

**EVERY SUNDAY:** Saranac Depot-Museum is open to the public from 1 to 4 p.m.

**WOMEN OF THE MOOSE:** Business meetings 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 868-6038.8045 Cannonsburg Rd. Any questions call Frank at 874-6861.

**THURS., AUG. 15:** KeenAgers will meet at Vergennes Methodist Church at 10 a.m. They will play cards and have a potluck dinner. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service.

**MON., AUG. 19:** The annual picnic for the Clark-Ellis Post American Legion & Auxiliary will be held at Creekside Park at 6 p.m. Meat and coffee will

be furnished. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service.

**AUG. 21 - 23:** Georgian Bay, Canada trip. Lowell Seniors travel. Contact Mary Condon, 897-7092.

**SAT., AUG. 24:** Saranac Bridgefest. There will be food booth, flea market, quilt raffle tickets for sale, 50-50 raffle, and entertainment. 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Tom & Cherie Hagen; 1-3 p.m. the Grand Valley Strings and at 3 p.m. the Corn Cob Cloggers. The Depot-Museum will be open with new displays.

**SAT., AUG. 24:** Saranac Public Library will have a book sale during Saranac's Annual Bridgefest. Hundreds of books will be on sale from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**MARCH 14-22:** (1997) All inclusive trip to Italy (air fare, meals, hotel, tours) for \$1099. Call Mary Condon, 616-897-7092.

**OCT. 21 - 31:** Panama Canal cruise. Lowell Seniors travel. For more information contact Mary Condon, 897-7092.

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### WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

**LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR 897-5949**

**MON.:** 8:30 a.m. Walking, Woodland Mall. **THURS.:** 9:00 a.m. Walk and shop Woodland Mall; 1 p.m. Euchre.

**TUES.:** 8:30 a.m. Walking, Woodland Mall. **FRI.:** 8:30 a.m. Walking Woodland Mall.

**WED.:** 12:45 p.m. Shopping assistance. **MON.-FRI.:** Senior meals program, noon.

### Special Events

**FRI., AUG. 16:** 9 a.m., Golden games, Calvin College. **WED., AUG. 21:** 9:30 a.m., Advisory Council.

**MON., AUG. 19 - 12:30 p.m.,** movie, Grand Rapids. **FRI., AUG. 23:** 12:30 p.m., Garage sales.

**WED., AUG. 28:** 8 a.m., Women's breakfast.

*(Dinner reservations should be made 3 working days in advance)*

**Linda Moon** "Celebrating Our 24th Year!"

**REGISTRATION** Wed., Aug. 28 3:00 - 7:00 p.m.

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**Lowell YMCA '96 FALL ADULT SOFTBALL STANDINGS**  
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MONDAY - CO-ED	FINAL (Summer League)	W	L
J.H.F. - Champions		12	0
BOON'S FARM - Runner Up		10	2
ALTO BAPTIST		7	5
CHADALEE FARMS		6	6
LOWELL CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE		5	7
LOWELL METHODIST CHURCH		5	7
ATTWOOD ANIMALS		4	8
FIRST CONG. CHURCH OF LOWELL		4	8
F.M.B.		1	11

WEDNESDAY - MEN'S	Fall League	W	L
LEC/BASF		2	0
WHO'S BUYING		1	1
LENA LOU'S		0	1
ALTO GAS		0	1
LOWELL VISION		0	0

THURSDAY - MEN'S	Fall League	W	L
<b>WHITE DIVISION</b>			
RHODE CONSTRUCTION		1	0
RANDI'S RIVERSIDE PARTY STORE		1	0
LARKINS		0	0
NELSON CONSTRUCTION		0	1
WOODLAND TOWNHOUSE		0	1
<b>BLUE DIVISION</b>			
ADA BEEF		1	0
CHADALEE FARMS		1	0
SNEAKERS		1	1
ALTO BAPTIST		0	1
LOWELL ENGINEERING		0	1
CASCADE LAWNSPRINKLING		0	2

FRIDAY - -- MEN'S	Fall League	W	L
ALTO BAR		1	0
GREAT DANE TAVERN		1	1
M-91 TIRE		1	1
LILLIE'S		0	0
RIVER CITY FIRE PROTECTION		0	0
LOWELL MOOSE LODGE		0	1
RIVER DOGS		2	10

**TO THE EDITOR**

Dear Editor:

You may have heard the WCUZ commercial on the air last week. It started out: "You may have noticed a little bit of construction in downtown Lowell this summer? (First voice)

"Excuse me?!" (Second voice sounding annoyed)

"OK, OK, A lot of construction this summer. (First voice)

The summer reconstruction project is past the half-way mark; the completion date is early October. WCUZ maybe exaggerated when they said the D.D.A. is "rebuilding" Lowell after 165 years, but with the cooperation of Lowell's D.D.A., City Council, Look Fund, and Lowell Light and Power, we are "rebuilding" a large section of downtown Lowell that has been here since the late 1800's! The late 1800's! That is a long, long time.

The City Council will consider enacting a new city ordinance to safeguard the history of Lowell next Monday, August 19. The proposed Lowell Historic District's border is from Hudson Street eastward on Main Street to Washington Street including the Rite Aid building.

The Lowell Historic District study committee has submitted their final report to the Lowell City Council. The City Council will have authority to enact an ordinance which creates a historical dis-

trict in Lowell. Part of the ordinance creates a historic preservation commission. We need you!!

If you feel you would like to hear and learn more about being on the commission, contact anyone on the study committee or the City Council: Study committee- Jim Doyle, Steve Doyle, Mike Blough, Dave Coons and Dr. Jim Reagan. City Council- Bill Thompson, Don Green, Chuck Myers, Jim Hodges, Jeanne Shores and Dave Pasquale.

The requirements to be on the commission are:

1. You must reside in the city limits of Lowell. Members will be appointed by the City Council for a three-year term. A majority of the members shall have a clearly demonstrated interest in or have knowledge of historic preservation. The commission will meet at least quarterly or more frequently at the call of the chairman.

The purpose of the Lowell Historic District is to:

1. Safeguard the heritage of the city of Lowell by preserving districts which reflect elements of its culture, social, economic, political or architectural history, and to preserve historic landmarks.
2. Stabilize and improve property values in such districts.
3. Foster civic beauty.
4. Strengthen the local economy.

Jim Reagan, DDS

**Superfan tickets on sale**

The Lowell High School athletic department is once again offering discounted ticket prices for the upcoming school year.

Superfan tickets are available for adults at a cost of \$40 and for students at a cost of \$25. Superfan tickets provide admission to all home athletic contests sponsored by Lowell High School (excludes MHSAA and OK Conference events). Reserved stadium seating will be included in the price along with souvenir schedule keychains. Those holding reserved seats from the 1995-96 school year can maintain their seats when renewing their tickets by September 1, 1996.

Football season tickets are also available at a cost of \$15 for adults and \$10 for students. These tickets also provide reserved seating. Tickets can be purchased in the athletic office or by mail with brochures available at area businesses.

**VOWS SPOKEN**



Deb and Jeff Hill

Deb Nachazel and Jeff Hill were united in marriage on June 29, 1996 at their home.

Parents of the bride are Jean Nachazel of Hillsdale and Karen Nachazel of Dewitt.

Parents of the groom are Joe and Buelah Hill of Ionia.

Maid of honor was Rhonda Heimbecker of Turk Lake and best man was Mark Howe of Saranac.

The bride's sons, Jason and Joshua Fizer, gave her away. The couple was married on the groom's parent's 56th wedding anniversary.

**TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN COUNTY OF KENT ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on August 19, 1996 at 7:30 p.m., the Board of Zoning Appeals of the Township of Grattan will hold a public hearing at the Grattan Township Museum Building, 11677 Old Belding Road, within the Township, in order to interpret Article 7, Section 7.03 and other related sections, pertaining to front setback, non-conforming structures and other matters, and such hearing shall also be for the purpose of considering an application for such variances from the terms of the Zoning Ordinance as may be appropriate in order to implement the proper interpretation of such Zoning Ordinance Provisions, all with respect to the following described lands:

Parcel Number: 41-12-29-227-031  
Address: 5090 Abrahams Road, Lowell, MI

Description: PART OF GVT LOT 3 COM AT NE COR OF SLY 25 FT OF LOT 29 OF ABRAHAMS ISLAND BEACH RESORT TH SWLY ALONG SELY LINE OF SD PLAT TH S 57D OOM E TO E LINE OF GVT LOT 3 TH N ALONG E LINE OF GOVT LOT 3 TO A LINE BEARING S 57D OOM E FROM BEG TH N 57 D 00M

All interested persons may attend the public hearing and be heard concerning the requested interpretation and variance. Written comments may be submitted to the Board of Zoning Appeals, the Grattan Township offices, 11676 Old Belding Road, Belding, Michigan 48809, up to the time of the public hearing.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON INCREASING PROPERTY TAXES**

The Bowne Township Board of the Bowne Township will hold a public hearing on a proposed increase of .0640 mills in the operating tax millage rate to be levied in 1996.

The hearing will be held on Monday, August 19th at 7:30 p.m. at Historic Township Hall, 8240 Alden Nash SE.

The date and location of the meeting to take action on the proposed additional millage will be announced at this public meeting.

If adopted, the proposed additional millage will increase operating revenues from ad valorem property taxes 1.69% over such revenues generated by levies permitted without holding a hearing. If the proposed additional millage rate is not approved the operating revenue will increase by 5.87% over the preceding year's operating revenue.

The taxing unit publishing this notice, and identified below, has complete authority to establish the number of mills to be levied from within its authorized millage rate.

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FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 16 THRU AUGUST 22

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TUESDAY LATE NIGHT AUGUST 20, 1996. 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 AUGUST 21, 1996. 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.

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THURSDAY EVENING AUGUST 22, 1996										
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<b>BROADCAST STATIONS</b>										
3	WVMT	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Family Film Awards	Nominees are chosen from family-oriented feature films and television series.	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)		
41	WOTV	Highway Patrol	LAPD (R) (In Stereo)	NFL Preseason Football	Kansas City Chiefs at Chicago Bears. (In Stereo Live)		News	Nightline		
35	WGVU	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer		Practical Sports	This Old House	Michigan Out-of-Doors	Trailside: Adventure	Mystery! "The Inspector Allyn Mysteries"	Waiting for God	Charlie Rose (In Stereo)
17	WXMI	Home Improvement	Seinfeld (In Stereo)	Martin (R)	Living Single (R)	New York Undercover	"Deep Cover" (R)	Tales From the Crypt	Tales From the Crypt	Star Trek: Deep Space Nine "Shattered Mirror"
8	WOOD	Extra (In Stereo)	Inside Edition	Friends (In Stereo)	Single Guy "Loves"	Seinfeld "The Calzone"	3rd Rock From the Sun	ER "Fevers of Unknown Origin" (R) (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)
6	WLNS	Entertainment Tonight	Hard Copy	Family Film Awards	Nominees are chosen from family-oriented feature films and television series.	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)		
16	WILX	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Friends (In Stereo)	Single Guy "Loves"	Seinfeld "The Calzone"	3rd Rock From the Sun	ER "Fevers of Unknown Origin" (R) (In Stereo)	News	Tonight Show
23	WKAR	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer		Practical Sports	Woof! A Guide to Dog Training (In Stereo)			Sleevy Ray Vaughan: A Tribute (In Stereo)		
13	WZZM	Entertainment Tonight	Hard Copy	NFL Preseason Football	Kansas City Chiefs at Chicago Bears. (In Stereo Live)			News	Nightline	
6	WSYM	Home Improvement	Roseanne (In Stereo)	Martin (R)	Living Single (R)	New York Undercover	"Deep Cover" (R)	Cops (In Stereo)	Highway Patrol	Jenny Jones
<b>CABLE STATIONS</b>										
17	TBS	Funnies Home Videos	Major League Baseball	Cincinnati Reds at Atlanta Braves. From Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium. (Live)				Clash of the Champions (Time Approximate) (R)		
41	FAM	Waltons "The Deed"		Highway to Heaven "Thoroughbreds"		Rescue 911 (In Stereo)		700 Club	Three Stooges	
41	FX	In Living Color (R)	No Relation	Hart to Hart "The Harts at High Noon"		Mission: Impossible "Butterfly"		In Living Color (R)	In Living Color (R)	Vega\$ "Magic Sister Slaysings"
35	USA	Wings (In Stereo)		Movie: *** "House Party" (1990) Christopher Reid, Christopher Martin. (In Stereo)				Movie: ** "House Party 2" (1991) Christopher Reid, Tisha Campbell. (In Stereo)		
23	DISC	Beyond 2000	Next Step (R)	Wild Discovery "Alaska's Whales and Wildlife" (R)	Mysterious World	Movie Magic (R)	Time Traveler "Che Guevara"	Next Step (R)	Beyond 2000	
23	WGN	Andy Griffith	Newhart	Major League Baseball	Toronto Blue Jays at Chicago White Sox. From Comiskey Park. (In Stereo Live)			News (In Stereo)	Simon & Simon	
23	ESPN	Sportscenter	Cheer/Dance	Figure Skating	World Championships -- Exhibition Performances. From Edmonton, Alta.			Baseball Tonight	Sportscenter	
23	CNN	Moneyline	Crossfire	Prime News	Inside Politics	Larry King Live	World Today	Sports Tonight	Moneyline (R)	
23	NICK	Doug (In Stereo)	Tiny Toon Adventures	Odd Couple	Odd Couple	Odd Couple	Odd Couple	Taxi	Mary Tyler Moore	
23	A&E	Equalizer "The Defector"		Biography "Jerry Lewis: The Last American Clown"	The life and career of comic Jerry Lewis. (R)		Target: Mafia "Gangbusters"	Law & Order "Mayhem"		
23	PASS	Racing Home	This Week on DIRT	This Week in NASCAR	Cycle World (R)		Press Box	PGA Today	Trackside	Motorsports Hour
23	TNT	In the Heat of the Night "AKA Kelly Kay"		Movie: *** "Joe Kidd" (1972) Clint Eastwood, John Saxon.				Movie: *** "Two Mules for Sister Sara" (1970) Clint Eastwood, Manolo Fajrebas.		
23	NASH	Dukes of Hazzard "Go West, Young Dukes"		Life and Times of Gary Cooper (R) (In Stereo)	Prime Time Country Guest host: Jack Hanna. (In Stereo)			Club Dance (R) (In Stereo)		Country News
23	SCIFI	Twilight Zone	Monsters	V "Breakout"	She-Wolf of London (Part 1 of 2)	Friday the 13th: The Series "Coven of Darkness"		Twilight Zone		Monsters
<b>PREMIUM STATIONS</b>										
10	DISN	Ocean Girl	Ready or Not	Young Musicians Symphony Orchestra (In Stereo)		Preview Show	Movie: *** "Places in the Heart" (1984), Danny Glover PG			James Taylor
10	HBO	(6:15) Movie: ** "Clue" (1985) PG		Movie: "Danger Zone" (1996), Robert Downey Jr. (In Stereo) R		Comedy Hour: "Mark Curry -- The Other Side"	Movie: ** "Tales From the Hood" (1995), Corbin Bensen (In Stereo) R			
10	MAX	(6:00) Movie: *** "The Getaway" (1972) PG		Movie: ** "The Getaway" (1994) (In Stereo) NR (Adult language, adult situations, violence)		Movie: "Indecent Behavior 3" (1995), Sam Hennings, Colleen Coffey NR	Movie: "Hourglass" R			

THURSDAY LATE NIGHT AUGUST 22, 1996										
	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30
<b>BROADCAST STATIONS</b>										
3	WVMT	(11:35) Late Show	Late Late Show (In Stereo)	American Journal	Donahue (In Stereo)		Home Shopping Spree (Joined in Progress Left in Progress)			
41	WOTV	Top Cops (In Stereo)	Paid Program	Paid Program	(Off Air)					
35	WGVU	(11:30) Charlie Rose	(Off Air)							
17	WXMI	Richard Bey	Billy Dee Williams	Murphy Brown	Cosby Show (In Stereo)	(Off Air)		Wonder Years	Doogie Howser, M.D.	
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)	Cosby Show	Home Shopping Spree (Joined in Progress)	Home Shopping Spree (Left in Progress)				
16	WILX	(11:35) Tonight Show	Late Night (In Stereo)	Later (In Stereo)	News (R)	NBC News Nightside (Joined in Progress)			Headline News	
23	WKAR	(Off Air)								
13	WZZM	Current Affair	Most Wanted	Cops (In Stereo)	Gordon Elliott (R)	Caryl & Marilyn: Real Friends	ABC World News Now (Joined in Progress)			
6	WSYM	Ricki Lake (R)	LAPD (R) (In Stereo)	Rescue 911 (In Stereo)	Beverly Hills, 90210 "Girls on the Side"	(Off Air)				
<b>CABLE STATIONS</b>										
17	TBS	Clash-Champions	Movie: ** "The Stone Killer" (1973) Charles Bronson, Norman Fell.			Movie: ** "Through Naked Eyes" (1983) David Soul, Fionnula Flanagan.			Gomer Pyle, USMC	
41	FAM	Bonanza: The Lost Episodes	Paid Program	Paid Program	700 Club	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	
41	FX	Rahwidge "Incident at Sulphur Creek"	In Living Color (R)	In Living Color (R)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	
35	USA	Big Date	Love Connection	Knight Rider "Let It Be Me"	Movie: ** "Katie: Portrait of a Centerfold" (1978) Kim Basinger, Fabian.			American Gladiators		
23	DISC	Wild Discovery "Alaska's Whales and Wildlife" (R)	Mysterious World	Movie Magic (R)	Time Traveler "Che Guevara" (R)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	
23	WGN	(11:30) Simon & Simon	Honeymooners	In the Heat of the Night "Private Sessions"	Tower	Tower	Movie: ** "Cattle Drive" (1951) Joel McCrea, Chai Wills.	Tower		
23	ESPN	Baseball Tonight	Running & Racing (R)	Inside the PGA Tour	Sportscenter		Up Close	Auto Racing: IndyCar -- Texaco/Havoline 200. (R)		
23	CNN	NewsNight	Showbiz Today (R)	Inside Politics (R)	Sports Laterlight	Larry King Live (R)	Overnight	Sports Laterlight (R)	Crossfire (R)	Newsroom
23	NICK	Rhoda "Joe"	Dick Van Dyke	Bob Newhart	Phyllis	I Love Lucy	Taxi	Mary Tyler Moore	Rhoda "Joe"	Dick Van Dyke
23	A&E	Biography "Jerry Lewis: The Last American Clown"	The life and career of comic Jerry Lewis. (R)		Target: Mafia "Gangbusters" (R)		Law & Order "Mayhem"	Police Story "Prime Rib"		Bob Newhart
23	PASS	Motorsports Hour	Powerboat Racing: United States Offshore Series	Paid Program	Thoroughbred World	Prime Cuts (R)	This Week in NASCAR (R)	Motorsports Hour (R)		
23	TNT	Movie: *** "Joe Kidd" (1972) Clint Eastwood, John Saxon.		Movie: *** "Two Mules for Sister Sara" (1970) Clint Eastwood. A gunslinger helps a whiskey-swilling nun reach Mexico.				Movie: *** "Kung Fu: The Gunman"		
23	NASH	Life and Times of Gary Cooper (R) (In Stereo)	Prime Time Country Guest host: Jack Hanna. (R) (In Stereo)		Country News (R)	(Off Air)				
23	SCIFI	V "Breakout"	She-Wolf of London (Part 1 of 2)	Friday the 13th: The Series "Coven of Darkness"	Boris Karloff Presents Thriller "Kill My Love"	Paid Program	Paid Program			
<b>PREMIUM STATIONS</b>										
10	DISN	(11:45) James Taylor: Going Home (In Stereo)	Urban Heartlands: Kellor's Mpls.	Movie: *** "Imitation of Life" (1959), John Gavin, Juanita Moore		Movie: ** "Dragonworld" (1994) PG				
10	HBO	Memphis PD: War on the Streets (In Stereo)	Movie: *** "Death and the Maiden" (1994), Ben Kingsley (In Stereo) R (Adult language)	Movie: ** "Angel 4: Undercover" (1994), Shane Fraser (In Stereo) R		Movie: "Dream Man" R				
10	MAX	(11:40) Movie: "Hourglass" (1996) R	Movie: "Red Scorpion 2" (1994), Jennifer Rubin, John Savage (In Stereo) R	Movie: *** "Full Metal Jacket" (1987) R (Adult language, adult situations, graphic violence)		Movie: ** "Joy of Sex"				

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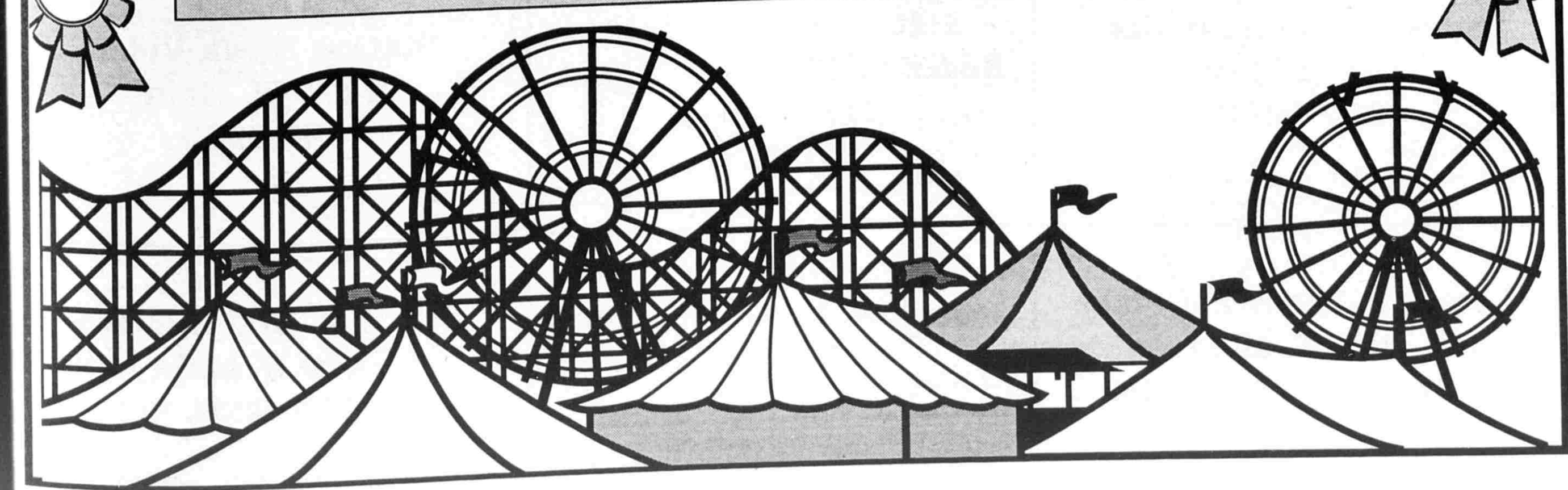
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# Rascal and Brower quite the duo - grand champion steer and showman

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

His name belies his grand performance. The trophy and ribbon, however, befit the Kent County Youth Fair grand champion steer.

"Rascal," under the tutoring and guidance of his trainer Jake Brower, earned that title.

It was Rascal's first such honor (steers can only reap that honor once), though it is the second straight year Brower has shown his steer at the Youth Fair.

The 11-year-old in three years has claimed two firsts and a second in the beef steer class. On Thursday, Brower added a first in the intermediate beef showmanship.

While the moment of judging takes place in a 15-20 minute period in the livestock ring, Brower began preparing Rascal some six months before.

"I worked about an hour a day for six months with Rascal," Brower recalls. "I went over and over with Rascal where the feet are supposed to go. You do that until the steer gets used to it. A good steer will eventually put its feet in the right place when they stop."

The right place is about shoulder length apart. People aren't the only ones who become nervous when performing in front of a crowd - so do steers. "They get a little nervous being around other steers," Brower said.

Scratching a steer in a favorite spot is a technique used to calm the animal. "Many steers like to be scratched in the belly," Brower explains. "Rascal's favorite spot is right under the chin. When Rascal's nervous, he will move a lot and jerk his head."

Brower earned his training stripes from his neighbors, Bob and Doug Ford. They trained him and showed the East Kent Beef Club youth the correct way to show his steer.

The experience also teaches youth much about responsibility. "I sort of like the work that comes with it. Sometimes I'm not in the mood and it's a hassle, but I still have to do it."



Jake Brower showed the grand champion steer for the second straight year. The 11-year-old stands with his 1,200 pound steer named "Rascal."

*Selling Rascal will be difficult. Rascal has been fun to work with, and we've grown a friendship.*  
**Jake Brower**

Brower said.

After Brower finishes showing the steer, he then auctions it off at the livestock sale.

"That is difficult because Rascal has been fun to work with, and we've grown a friendship," Brower said.

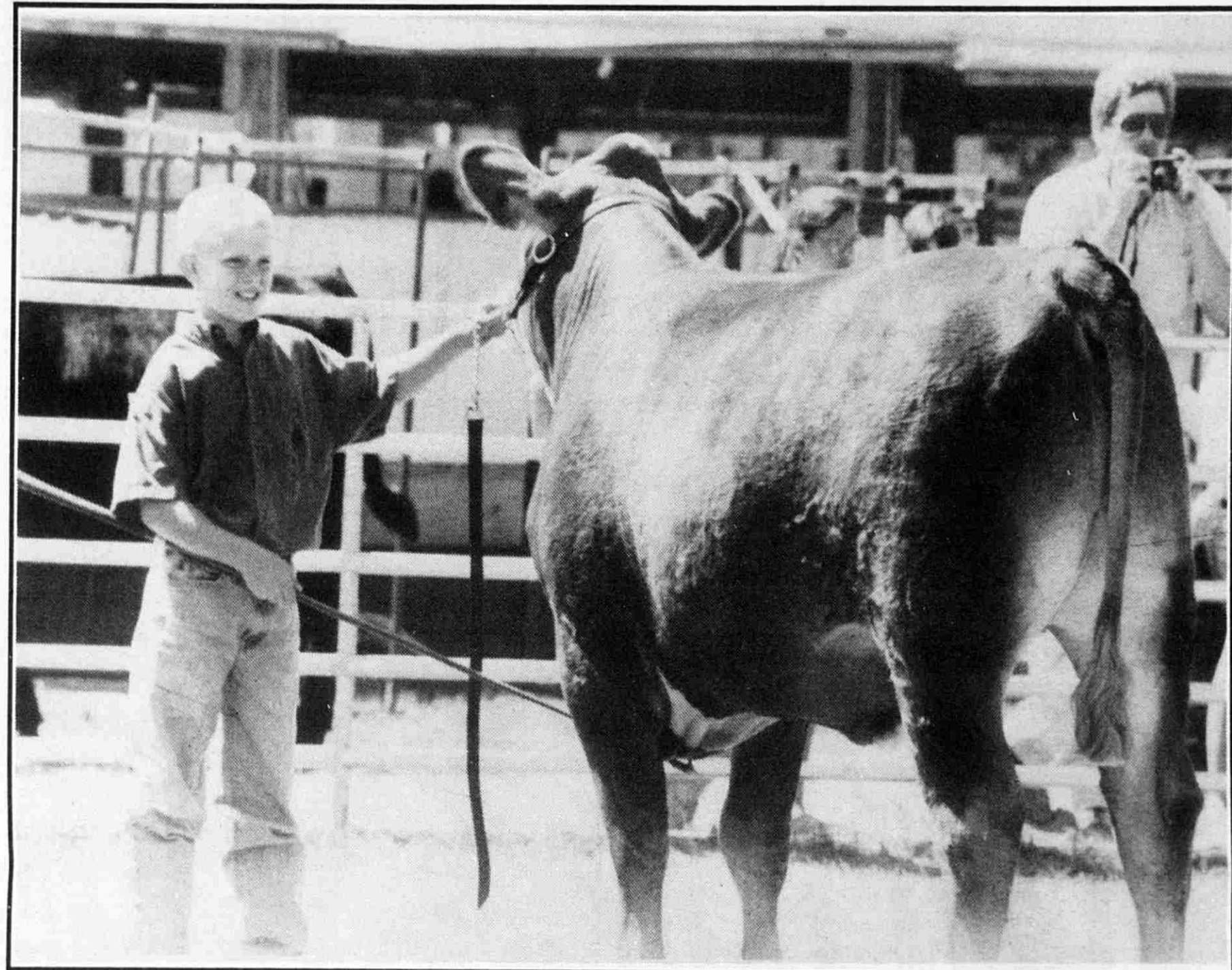
The money from the livestock sale will be put toward paying Brower's father back for the grain, \$500 toward college, upkeep of the barn and toward next year's cow. Brower also gets to spend some money on something he wants.

Brower is the son of John and Laura Brower.

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Jake Brower earned showmanship honors in the intermediate beef exhibit class.

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# Memorial provides lasting tribute to life of dedicated 4-H member

By Marc Popiolek  
Contributing Writer

Motorists driving past Lowell's fairgrounds on South Hudson will be reminded of the love and commitment one 4-H member demonstrated in his all but too brief career.

The 5,600 pound granite memorial reads "In Memory of Jason Rideout" and for Dianne Rideout, the memorial is more than she could have imagined.

"We hoped to have some sort of memorial to Jason, but we never expected this," Rideout said. "When Tommy (Thompson, an organizer with

the Kent County Youth Fair) showed us what was going to be put in, we just couldn't believe it."

Rideout, a Cedar Springs native, also never expected to have the life of her 15-year-old son taken from her by a car accident in March.

"He had just purchased his pig and was getting the pen ready when the accident occurred," she said.

Jason, who had been very active with the fair for the past three years, may not have been able to show the 200-pound Yorkshire pig, but his brother Kevin could and did at last week's Kent County Youth Fair, conducted at the

Lowell Fairground.

Kevin, 12, followed in his brother's footsteps in an effort to keep the family tradition going and to help raise funds for the Jason Rideout Memorial Fund.

The support has been tremendous and Dianne said nothing will be able to take away the pain, but the memorial and kindness displayed by 4-H organizers have helped ease the burden.

"Everybody has been so great to us. We appreciate everything people have done for Jason," she said. "It's nice to know that people thought so much of him and that his memory will continue."



Diane and John Rideout were shocked and honored by the youth fair's tribute to their son

# 4-H youth battles more than competition at fair



Ronald Zaagman, whose chicken won top honors at last week's youth fair, battles the effects of treatment for his condition.

By Marc Popiolek  
Contributing Writer

When Ronald Zaagman's chicken was deemed Grand Champion at the Kent County Youth Fair last week, the honor was more than a testament to fine poultry.

The award capped off a hectic week in the Zaagman

family as Ronald, 10, won the award on Tuesday and went in for chemotherapy treatment on Wednesday.

"Ronald enjoys it very much," said Ed Zaagman. "It takes his mind off what he's got and as long as he felt good and liked doing it, it was all right with us."

Ronald, a Byron Center resident, was diagnosed with Lymphoblastic Lymphoma last month, and despite treatment which tends to drain him of energy, the youth was not about to give up his pursuit of a grand champion title.

"I think children handle things like this better than adults," Zaagman said.

"Ronald is a neat kid who takes what life hands him."

So far life has handed Ronald cancer treatments which cause him to get sick and medication which offsets the effects of other medication, but it has not set back the outlook on his life.

While Ed and his wife Joylene (Blough) Zaagman, a lifelong resident of the Lowell area, have been very supportive of Ronald's fight, Ed said.

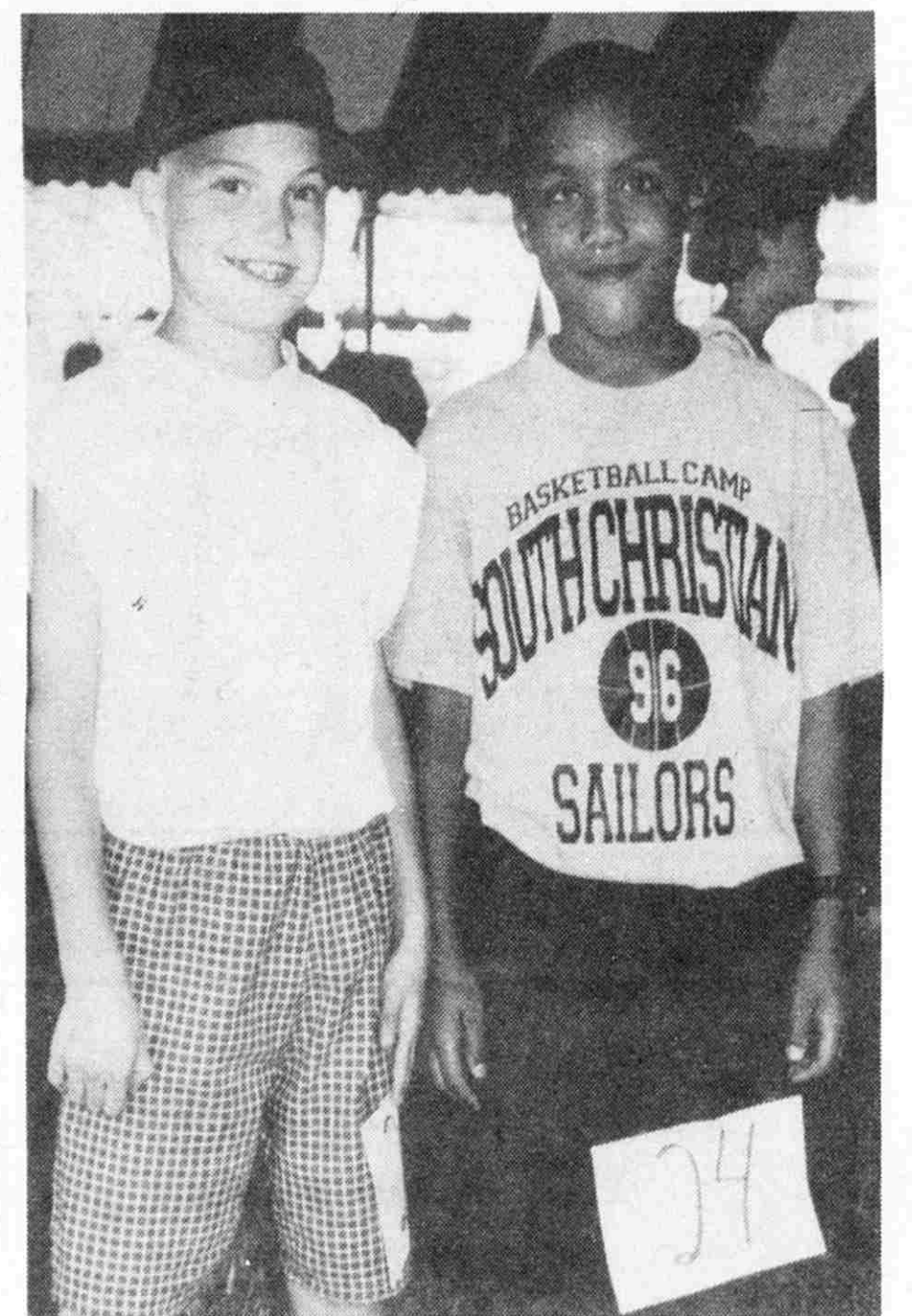
A motor home was on hand in case Ronald needed some rest. Even a midweek chemotherapy treatment wasn't enough to daunt Ronald's spirits.

Besides receiving support from his brothers and sisters, Ronald has been assisted by his good friend Nathan Vanderlaan.

"Nathan's spent a great deal of time with Ronald at the hospital and spent all day with him at the fair," Ed said.

With the fair behind him and more treatment ahead, Ronald is preparing to enter the 5th grade at Cutlerville Christian School.

"It's possible he will be tired from all the treatments, so we'll have to see how things go," Ed said. "How much time he'll spend there we're not sure, but Ronald is a very good student and we're confident he'll do well."



Nathan Vanderlaan is Ronald Zaagman's best friend and confidant during the 10 year-old's battle with cancer.

ell area, have been taught how to give shots and care for their son, they remain very optimistic.

"Grand Rapids has some of the best cancer doctors in the nation. We work closely with Butterworth's clinic and doctors are optimistic they can kill off the cancer cells," Ed said. Participating in the fair has become a family tradition as the couple's four other children, Steven, Lisa, Kent and Michael entered exhibits with Ronald last week.

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# Fair Flashes....



Kids were asked to wheelbarrow bales of hay at Fox 17's Field Day on Monday at the Kent County Youth Fair.

A Kent County Fair youth and her goat listen for the judge's comments.



Molly Cryderman, 13, has her poultry undergo the pullorum testing. It tests for blood diseases. It is part of a poultry improvement plan. Performing the test are Mick Wesche, left and Paul Bieneman, right.



The carnival rides helped fair-goers find relief from the heat during the fair's first few days.



These Kent County Fair youths got a blue ribbon for finding relief from the heat.



# Rachel Penninga shows more than her "fair" share of determination in clearing life's hurdle

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

With the help of her cousin Kristi VandenBerge, Rachel Penninga guides her dairy feeder cow around the intermediate beef showmanship ring.

"It's not fair to the other kids that I have help," Penninga says without even the slightest hesitation.

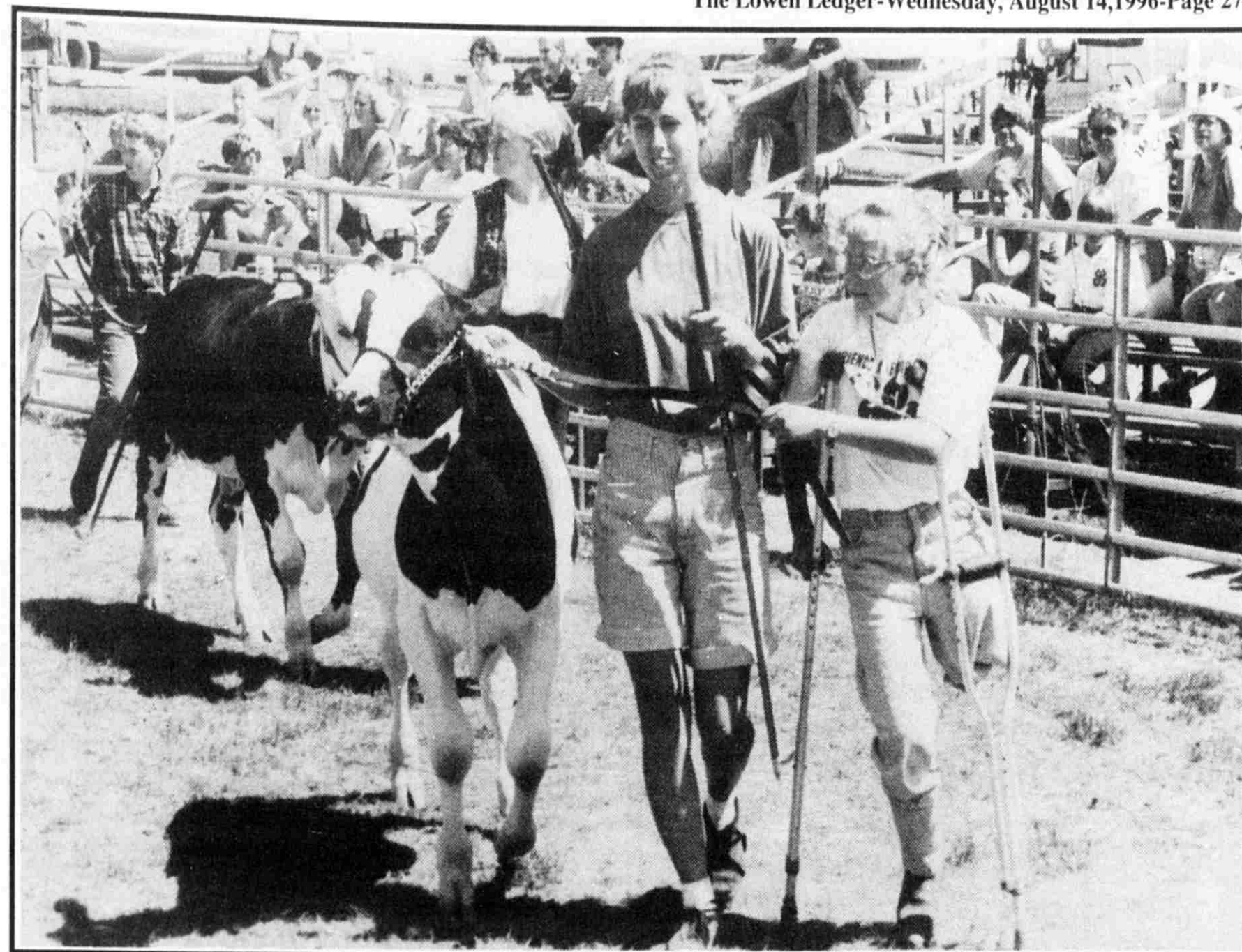
Some would say she has been given a reason to slow down, to hesitate, but that hasn't been Penninga's style.

"After having my leg amputated, I knew I wanted to move forward and become involved," the 11-year-old Clarksville girl said.

In October of 1993, she was diagnosed with osteosarcoma bone cancer. In February of 1994, Penninga had her left leg amputated above the knee. In October of the same year, she entered remission.

"My goal is to show the cow by myself," Penninga said. "I can't get a first if someone is helping me. That wouldn't be fair to the others."

Thursday, Penninga was fifth among 19 other Kent County 4-H Fair youth in the intermediate showmanship competition. The judge stated that her dairy feeder Larry Loudmouth, was well trained and when it stopped, its feet were



Rachel Penninga, right, with the help of cousin Kristi VandenBerge, negotiates "Larry Loudmouth" around the showmanship ring.

*To see other kids dealing with cancer at the camp provided me with encouragement. I now want to provide encouragement for other kids who have cancer.*

**Rachel Penninga**

where Penninga wanted them.

"I was very happy with fifth. I didn't expect to do that well," Penninga said. She placed second in the lightweight dairy feeder steer class.

Her 435-pound dairy feeder is amply named. A couple of days after it was born, it bellowed for what seemed to be nonstop for a week.

From his loud, somewhat obnoxious, first few days, Larry Loudmouth grew into a pretty well behaved dairy feeder as was shown in the showmanship competition.

"Showmanship is harder than showing in the beef class," Penninga said. "In showmanship, you are being judged in how you handle the cow and in the beef class, the cow is being judged."

Penninga spent an hour a day for three weeks prior to the fair, getting Larry Loudmouth ready.

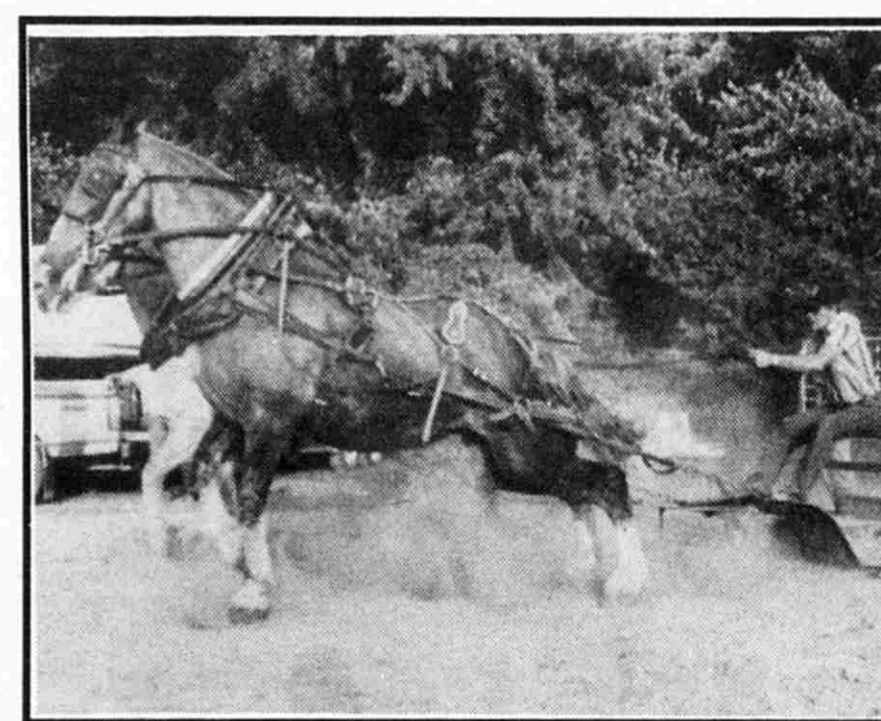
The animal is too big for Rachel to practice with by herself, so she is helped by her brother Andy, her cousin or her father.

She is determined to someday practice and show her cow on her own through the support of a prosthetic leg.

While Penninga helps out any way she can, her 14-year-old brother carries out a lot of the chores that come with raising a cow.

"He's been a big help to me. We get along well together most of the time," Penninga said. "When we don't, mom is there to help us."

Penninga's strong determination in part was built up through a camp she attends for kids with cancer. "It provided me with encouragement to see other kids dealing with having cancer," she explained. "I now want to provide encouragement for other kids who have cancer."



## Pulling Their Weight

The lightweight horse pull remained one of the more popular fair activities.

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**Nugent, state FFA vice president, attends state presidents' conference**

Kevin Nugent, vice president of the Michigan FFA Association, was one of the state FFA officers who attended the 29th Annual FFA State Presidents' Conference in the nation's capital.

More than 100 young men and women gathered July 22-27 in Washington, D.C., for a training and learning experience that included Congressional visits, discussions of important agricultural and educational issues with national leaders, and visits to major sights around the area. The state officers came from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, and represented 451,649 FFA members nationwide.

Nugent, 19, is the son of Denny and Mary Nugent of Lowell. He was elected vice president of the Michigan FFA Association at the State Convention in March.

Watching the state FFA officers move around the nation's capital was a bit like watching a domestic version of the Olympic parade of nations. While they proudly represented the individual states whose names were embroidered on the backs of their blue corduroy jackets, they

were united by a common vision: To strengthen agricultural education and FFA in the next year and beyond.

The goal of the state Presidents' Conference is to prepare state leaders for their responsibilities as delegates and committee chairs for the 69th National FFA Convention, to be held in Kansas City, MO., Nov. 14-16. The conference exemplifies the FFA's emphasis on student leadership. The team of six national FFA officers plan and conduct the event for state officers, who in turn train local chapter officers. Most officers are 18 to 21 years old.

Sen. Larry Craig (R-Idaho), a former state FFA officer, thanked FFA for providing him a solid base of leadership and personal skills. "Congratulations on your accomplishments," he told a group at the opening banquet. "I challenge you to achieve even greater heights."

Later in the week, the students met with Secretary of Education Richard Riley, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Richard Rominger and Rep. Charles Stenholm (D-Texas). They attended a Congressional breakfast, visited

the U.S. Departments of Agriculture and Education, met with their individual congressional leaders and received a briefing from representatives of the Clinton Administration.

The FFA state Presidents' Conference is sponsored by Chevy Trucks as a special project of the National FFA Foundation. FFA Alumni leaders also met this week; their conference was funded in part by Philip Morris USA as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

FFA is a national organization of 452,734 members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture. The organization has 7,269 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.



Two officers of the Michigan FFA Association attended the FFA state Presidents' Conference, July 22 through 27, in Washington, D.C., and met with the national officers who planned and led the activity.

Seated, left to right, are: Seth Derner, national FFA president; Kevin Nugent, vice president; Teresa Swamba, president; and Charles Snyder, executive secretary

Standing, left to right, are: William M. Catania, eastern region vice president; Joe Caffee, central region vice president; Andy McCall, western region vice president, and Clara-Leigh Horn, southern region vice president.



Kent County students who participated in the 1996 Summer Institute for the Arts and Sciences at Madonna University in Livonia, front row, left to right, are: Rebecca Kelbel, Ginger Hood and Jennifer Cantwell; back row, left to right, are: Mark Galante, Lisa Boessenkool, Johanna Lindblom and Alaina Wombach.

**Cantwell participates Madonna's summer program**

Choosing to spend two weeks of her summer learning and experiencing college life, Lowell's Jennifer Cantwell was among 140 Michigan teens - ages 15 to 17 - who gathered at Madonna University in Livonia for the 1996 Summer Institute for the Arts and Sciences, sponsored by the Michigan State Board of Education.

Cantwell, the daughter of Linda Cantwell, is an honor roll student at Lowell High School. She studied Japanese language and culture.

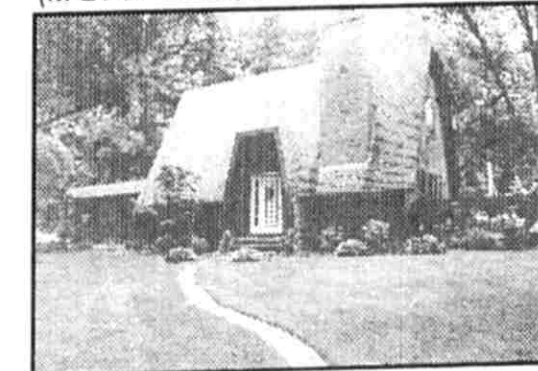
Cantwell is a member of the National Honor Society. She is active as a math tutor and participates in the drama and international clubs. Her future plans include earning a baccalaureate degree in secondary education.

As one of seven institutions chosen to participate in the program, Madonna University offered the following intensive programs:

printmaking old and new, music video production, black and white photography, journalism/reporting, sign language and artistic interpretation for the deaf, Japanese lan-

guage and culture, molecular genetics and engineering, conflict resolution, creative writing and freshwater ecology.

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**Woman of the Year**



Evelyn Briggs was presented with the "Women of the Year" award for her commitment to the GFWC - Lowell Women's Club. Briggs has been a loyal member of the Lowell Women's Club since 1970. She has devoted much of her loyalty towards being the club historian and organizing the club calling committee.

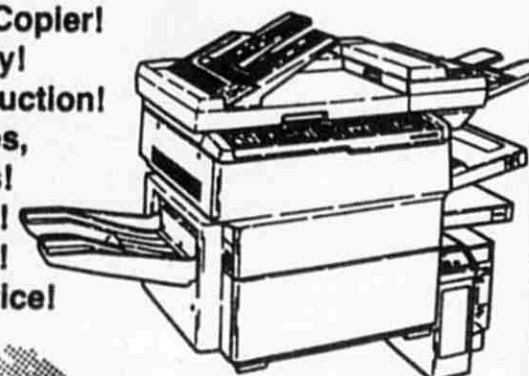
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10 a.m. JV team 30 play scrimmage & team/cheerleader introductions  
11 a.m. Varsity team 30 play scrimmage & team/cheerleader introductions  
Noon Announce awards by grades for punt, pass & kick competition  
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## Council asks city to seek separate bid on sixth item

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
 Lowell Ledger Editor

Low bids on five budgeted asphalt projects left the city asking for one more.

A vote of 3-2 by the city council turned down the city's request. A majority of the council felt the city should seek a separate bid process if it was to carry out an additional project that was not in the original bid packet sent out to contractors.

The city approved bids by Wolverine Paving on:

- Resurfacing the DPW parking lot (\$7,134).

- Resurfacing and extending new pavement at the Look Memorial Fire Station (\$9,085).

- Repaving two east/west roads and connecting two sections between second and third additions of Oakwood

Cemetery (\$4,940).

- Resurfacing the water treatment plant parking lot (\$5,548).

- Removing existing pavement and resurfacing Horatio Street (\$5,727).

The accepted bid was submitted by Wolverine Paving, Middleville, at a price of \$32,434.

The bid given on Horatio Street was nearly \$10,000 less than what the city had budgeted.

This led Lowell city manager Dave Pasquale to recommend that the city allow Wolverine Paving to resurface 1,280 lineal feet of Grindle, east of James Street, at a cost of \$9,976. This would have put the total cost at \$42,410, still nearly \$9,000 under what was budgeted for the five projects bid out a month ago.

Councilman Jim Hodges did not believe the city should add an additional project to the bid package just because it was under budget.

"I don't think it is appropriate to accept bids on five different projects, and because they're under budget, to go do the next thing," Hodges said.

In voting to have the Grindle project bid out separately, there is the risk that city officials will not get the same price.

"Smaller projects usually come in higher," Lowell mayor Bill Thompson said.

Councilman Don Green and councilwoman Jeanne Shores understood what Hodges was saying, but said as stewards of city residents'

tax dollars, they felt the council should add the Grindle projects.

"I agree we risk paying a higher price to have that portion of Grindle repaved, but we are then doing things correctly," Hodges said.

Not putting out a separate bid, Hodges and councilman Chuck Myers felt, would be unethical. Hodges stated by not bidding out Grindle separately, it risked companies coming back and accusing the city of abusing and misusing the bid process.

"I was not saying that our city manager was unethical. Dave is squeaky clean and goes out of his way to make sure things are done as correct as can be," Hodges said.

## Vergennes voters show little interest in primary results

By Marc Popiolek  
 Contributing Writer

With little to choose from, voters in Vergennes Township displayed little interest in voicing their choice.

Less than 20 percent of Vergennes' 1,842 registered voters decided the fate of its township board for the next four years.

A total of 383 voters cast their vote for the township supervisor, clerk, and treasurer's position as well as the seats of two trustees.

In each case, candidates ran unopposed and were guaranteed seats on the board.

Supervisor Jim Cook was reelected with 268 votes while incumbents Mari Stone and Jeanne Hoffman garnered 274

and 279 votes respectively. Incumbent trustee Mark Weber tallied 232 votes while newcomer Susan Geiger-Hessler earned 240 votes.

Voters also appointed Dave Carson as Republican representative for the Sept. 6 state caucus.

Democrats Diane and Dennis Brown were named to represent their delegates at the caucus.

## Lowell voters stick with experience in township's lone contested race

By Marc Popiolek  
 Contributing Writer

With more than 30 years experience behind her, Lowell Charter Township clerk Carol Wells will have an opportunity to add four more years to her resume.

Wells was one of seven township officials to be elected to the township board last week.

Wells was the lone official being challenged in the election as former trustee Carol Wieland posed a threat to Wells' consecutive streak.

In the end, voters went with Wells' experience as she accumulated 374 votes to Wieland's 122.

"I'm very happy with the results," said Wells. "I never

thought when I started here that I would be here this long, but I love the job and it's still fun."

Wieland, a four-year member of the board and planning commission, liked the fact that the race was clean, but had hoped for a better ending.

"It was a clean campaign, efficient as always, and I lost," said Wieland, who will relinquish her role on the planning commission and district library board. "I couldn't run a negative campaign. It would not be fair and not right. If you can't bring out the problems, then you can't fix them."

Wieland hasn't ruled out being involved with the township board in the future, but said it will depend on the township.

"Unless they find a need for my services, I don't know," said Wieland. "I'm going to miss it because it was an eye-opening experience."

While Wieland says good-bye to her roles in township politics, incumbents John Timpon, Jean Huver, Alyn Fletcher, and Richard Huver were reelected as was newcomer Carlton Blough.

Incumbent Herb Vanderbilt was left off the primary ticket, but managed a successful write-in campaign

to assure himself a place on the Nov. 5 ballot and the township board.

Timpon led all candidates with 449 votes followed by Jean Huver's 448 and Richard Huver's 370 votes.

Fletcher earned 351 votes and Blough 366.

Vanderbilt managed 46 votes and since no other write-in candidates or primary candidates could bypass his vote total, he earned a place in the general election.

All progress has resulted from people who took unpopular positions.

—Adlai E. Stevenson

### BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Patrick and Kathy (Doane) Williams, of Lowell, announce the birth of their son, Nicholas Patrick, on July 31, 1996. He weighed 8 lbs., 6 oz., and was 21 1/2 inches long. Nicholas is welcomed home by his sisters, Kayla and Kinsey. Grandparents are Helen Tetzlaff of Saranac, John Tetzlaff of Wyoming and Rita Williams and the late Walt Williams of Comstock Park.



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- Flat River Antique Mall Lot
- Water St. (Across From Springrove Variety)
- Veteran Monument Lot (Main)
- City Parking Lot (Monroe)



## TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN

### COUNTY OF KENT ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on August 19, 1996 at 7:30 p.m., the Board of Zoning Appeals of the Township of Grattan will hold a public hearing at the Grattan Township Museum Building, 11677 Old Belding Road, within the Township, in order to interpret Article 7, Section 7.03 and other related sections, pertaining to front yard setback and other matters, and such hearing shall also be for the purpose of considering an application for such variances from the terms of the Zoning Ordinance as may be appropriate in order to implement the proper interpretation of such Zoning Ordinance Provisions, all with respect to the following described lands:

Parcel Number: 41-12-03-301-020  
Address: 11985 MAC Drive, Belding, MI

**Description:** PART OF GOVT LOT 6 COM 20 FT N 88D 30M E ALONG S LINE O FMC ARTHUR'S PARK FROM SE COR OF LOT 16 OF SD PLAT TH S 30D 24M 22S W 50.06 FT TH S 8D 50M 14S W73.32 FT TH S 34D 00M 28S E 80 FT M/L TO WATERS EDGE OF BIG PINE ISLAND LAKE TH NELLY ALONG SD WATERS EDGE TO S LINE OF SD

All interested persons may attend the public hearing and be heard concerning the requested interpretation and variance. Written comments may be submitted to the Board of Zoning Appeals, the Grattan Township offices, 11676 Old Belding Road, Belding, Michigan 48809, up to the time of the public hearing.

## Booming business looks to add storage and parking

By Marc Popiolek  
Contributing Writer

A boom in automobile sales and a lack of parking

spaces brought representatives from ITM, 503 Godfrey, in front of the Vergennes Planning Commission seeking a new warehouse and a new parking lot.

The commission recommended approval of the new parking lot and agreed to the idea of a warehouse on the condition that detailed plans be submitted in the future. "They have been very thorough and have followed our ordinances," said commissioner Rick Gillette.

The commission's recommendation will be put before the township board who must approve the commission's decision before ITM officials can begin construction. The need for a parking lot stems from current employees using spaces at a nearby church and construction company. "The company (ITM) will be happy as will the church and other company," Gillette said.

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Parcel Number: 41-12-10-257-020  
Address: 12493 Woodland Park, Belding, MI

**Description:** Lot 2 \*Woodland Park  
All interested persons may attend the public hearing and be heard concerning the requested interpretation and variance. Written comments may be submitted to the Board of Zoning Appeals, the Grattan Township offices, 11676 Old Belding Road, Belding, Michigan 48809, up to the time of the public hearing.

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## TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN

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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on August 21, 1996 at 7:30 p.m., the Board of Zoning Appeals of the Township of Grattan will hold a public hearing at the Grattan Township Museum Building, 11677 Old Belding Road, within the Township, in order to interpret Article 3, Section 3.29 and other related sections, pertaining to creating more than one (1) private drive per 1/4 mile and other matters, and such hearing shall also be for the purpose of considering an application for such variances from the terms of the Zoning Ordinance as may be appropriate in order to implement the proper interpretation of such Zoning Ordinance Provisions, all with respect to the following described lands:

Parcel Number: 41-12-21-326-012 & -013  
Address: 5540 Dunn, Lowell, MI

**Description:** PART OF GOVT LOT 2 COM AT S 1/4 CORNER TH S 89D 56M 35S W ALONG S SEC LINE 774.75 FT TO CL OF DUNN AVE EXT S TH N 1D 07M 30S W ALONG SD CL ON A 975.94 FT RAD CURVE LT/LONG CHORD BEARS N 8D 53M 07S W 263.56 FT/TH N 16D 38M 45S W.

All interested persons may attend the public hearing and be heard concerning the requested interpretation and variance. Written comments may be submitted to the Board of Zoning Appeals, the Grattan Township offices, 11676 Old Belding Road, Belding, Michigan 48809, up to the time of the public hearing.

## GRATTAN TOWNSHIP

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### REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR COWAN LAKE WEED MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Dated August 7, 1996

The Grattan Township Board, in cooperation with the Cowan Lake Association, is requesting proposals for the Cowan Lake Weed Program.

Cowan Lake is located in northern Kent County on the township line between Grattan Township and Oakfield Township. The Weed Maintenance Program is intended for Grattan Township properties only where the majority of the lake is located. The north portion of Cowan Lake, located in Oakfield Township, is NOT included in this program and is not to be treated.

All interested parties should contact the Grattan Township Treasurer at the above address, or call for a bid package at (616) 691-8450.

**ALL BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED AT THE GRATTAN TOWNSHIP TREASURER'S OFFICE PRIOR TO 11:00 AM, MON., SEPT. 9, 1996**

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## CITY COUNCIL CITY OF LOWELL, KENT COUNTY, MICHIGAN

The adoption of the following Ordinance was moved by Councilmember Hodges, seconded by Councilmember Green.

### ORDINANCE NO. 96-4 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONE MAP OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LOWELL

THE CITY OF LOWELL ORDAINS:

1. That the "Official Zoning Map" as referenced in Section 3.02 of Chapter 3 of the Zoning Ordinance of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell is amended to change the zone district classification of real properties legally described from C-3 General Business District to R-2 Residential District.

PART SE 1/4 COM 100.05 FT ELY ALG N LINE OF FULTON ST. (100 FT WIDE) FROM N&S 1/4 LINE, TH N PARALLEL TO THE W N&S 1/4 LINE TO S LINE OF SIBLEY ST. EXT W FOR PT OF BEGINNING, TH E TO NW COR OF LOT 205, VALLEY VISTA NO. 7, TH S ALG WLY LINE OF SD LOT EXT SLY A DISTANCE OF 388 FT, TH WLY TO E LINE OF W 100.05 FT OF SEC 3, THEN NLY TO PT OF BEGINNING CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 2.465 ACRES

and R-3 Residential District:

PART SE 1/4 COM 100.05 FT ELY ALG N LINE OF FULTON ST. (100 FT WIDE) FROM N&S 1/4 LINE, TH N PARALLEL TO THE W N&S 1/4 LINE TO S LINE OF SIBLEY ST. EXT W, TH E TO NW COR OF LOT 205, VALLEY VISTA NO. 7, TH S TO SW COR OF SD LOT FOR PT OF BEGINNING, TH E ALG S LINE OF SD PLAT 155.35 FT, TH S PERPTO S LINE OF SD PLAT 253 FT, TH W 155.35 FT, TH N TO BEG CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 0.9 ACRES.

2. This Ordinance shall take effect ten (10) days after its publication in the LOWELL LEDGER, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Lowell.

YEA: Councilmembers Green, Hodges, Myers, Shores and Mayor Thompson  
NAYS: Councilmembers none.  
ABSENT: Councilmembers none.

ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED.

David M. Pasquale, City Clerk

I, David M. Pasquale, City Clerk of the City of Lowell, do hereby certify this Ordinance was adopted by a majority vote of the members elect of the Lowell City Council at a regular meeting held on August 5, 1996 and that the Ordinance was published in the LOWELL LEDGER on August 14, 1996.

David M. Pasquale, City Clerk

A copy of this Ordinance may be purchased or inspected at City Hall, 301 E. Main Street, during regular business hours Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

## Decision made to open Grattan Academy despite relatively small enrollment

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Building renovations are now underway for the Grattan Academy, a charter public school (K-sixth grade) at 12047 Old Belding Rd.

Charter school officials decided to open their doors to 85 students. The average student enrollment start-up size of a charter school in 1995-96 was 129. In early July, Grattan Academy thought a minimum of 150 students would be needed to open the school.

But with enrollment that has yet to reach 100, Valerie

Von Frank, director of communications for the Michigan Partnership for New Education, said the partnership worked out a lease instead of a purchase agreement with other cost elements. Von Frank said the agreement is for the length of the terms of the charter (three years).

"We still think we will get there," Von Frank said. "Once the school is open, I think we will see enrollment pick up."

Some elementary charter schools will open up with less than 50 students. Detroit Southfield Academy (338) has the highest enrollment for

elementary level academies. The preponderance of students are ages five through eight (grades K-3).

Von Frank did not find that surprising. "Parents don't want to pick up and move older elementary children," she said. "The academy is offering a good educational program and I think will see enrollment pick up next year."


The Grattan Academy program will stress a core base of knowledge, high academic

standards, an extended school year, and a partnership with families.

Its teaching content will be based on the Modern Red Schoolhouse, a program developed by the Hudson Institute.

Ron Schavey has been hired as the principal of the new academy.

Von Frank said 4-6 teachers will be hired. Teacher salaries will range from \$25,000 to \$45,000 with full benefits.



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## TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the Township of Grattan will hold a public hearing on September 4, 1996, at 7:30 p.m., at the Grattan Township Historical Museum Building, 11663 Old Belding Road, within the Township, to consider two ordinances to amend the Township of Grattan Zoning Ordinance as follows:

An ordinance to amend the Township Zoning Ordinance by the amendment of Section 3.29E so as to revise the minimum spacing requirements for private roads and to exclude from said spacing requirements certain private roads serving not more than two parcels or dwellings; an amendment in Section 3.35 B so as to amend the regulations on fences for swimming pools, to delete a fence requirement for above-ground swimming pools at least four feet high and to make other changes in the swimming pool fence requirement; to add Section 3.51 concerning accessory buildings, to provide that trailers, vehicles and other such items shall not qualify as authorized accessory buildings, and to make other requirements regarding accessory buildings, except for bona fide agricultural storage buildings and temporary tool sheds or other temporary storage structures; amendment of Section 7.04D and 7.04E, Sections 8.03E and 8.03F and Sections 9.03E and 9.03F, to provide that lots in the R-L Lake Residential District, the R Residential District and the R-R Residential District, respectively that do not comply with the minimum lot area or minimum lot width may nevertheless be permitted as a special land use by the Planning Commission if certain requirements are met, including Kent County Health Department approval and a determination by the Planning Commission that surface water drainage resulting from development will not adversely impact lakes or streams and that the land will not severely limit the use of septic tanks; amendment of Section 13.01H so as to add additional requirements for the granting of special land uses, including a requirement that a special land use shall be designed, constructed and operated so as to

be harmonious with the character of nearby properties; a requirement that a special land use shall not change the essential character of the surrounding area or neighborhood; a requirement that a special land use shall not have adverse effects upon nearby properties, lakes or streams or otherwise be detrimental to persons or property; and other requirements concerning demands on public services resulting from special land uses, compliance with the intent of the Township Zoning Ordinance and Township Master Plan and other requirements pertaining to the land development goals of the Township and the preservation of environmental features, agricultural areas and natural areas.

And also, an ordinance amending the Township Zoning Ordinance as follows:

The addition of Section 3.52 to provide that no canopy, drive-through window or drive-through facilities shall be permitted in the C-1 and C-2 commercial districts unless approved by the Planning Commission as a special land use and also to provide that in the C-1 and C-2 commercial districts, no building shall be built or expanded for commercial use on a non-conforming lot unless approved as a special land use by the Planning Commission, under various conditions and requirements, and including the amendment of other applicable provisions concerning the C-1 and C-2 Districts; and amendment of Section 4.04 of the Zoning Ordinance so as to provide that the requirements of Section 4.04A and 4.04B, regarding non-conforming lots, shall not apply to commercial uses in the C-1 and C-2 Districts.

All interested persons may attend the public hearing and be heard concerning the proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment. Written comments regarding the proposed amendment may be submitted to the Township office, 11676 Old Belding Road, within the Township, up to the time of the public hearing.

Dated: August 12, 1996

PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN.



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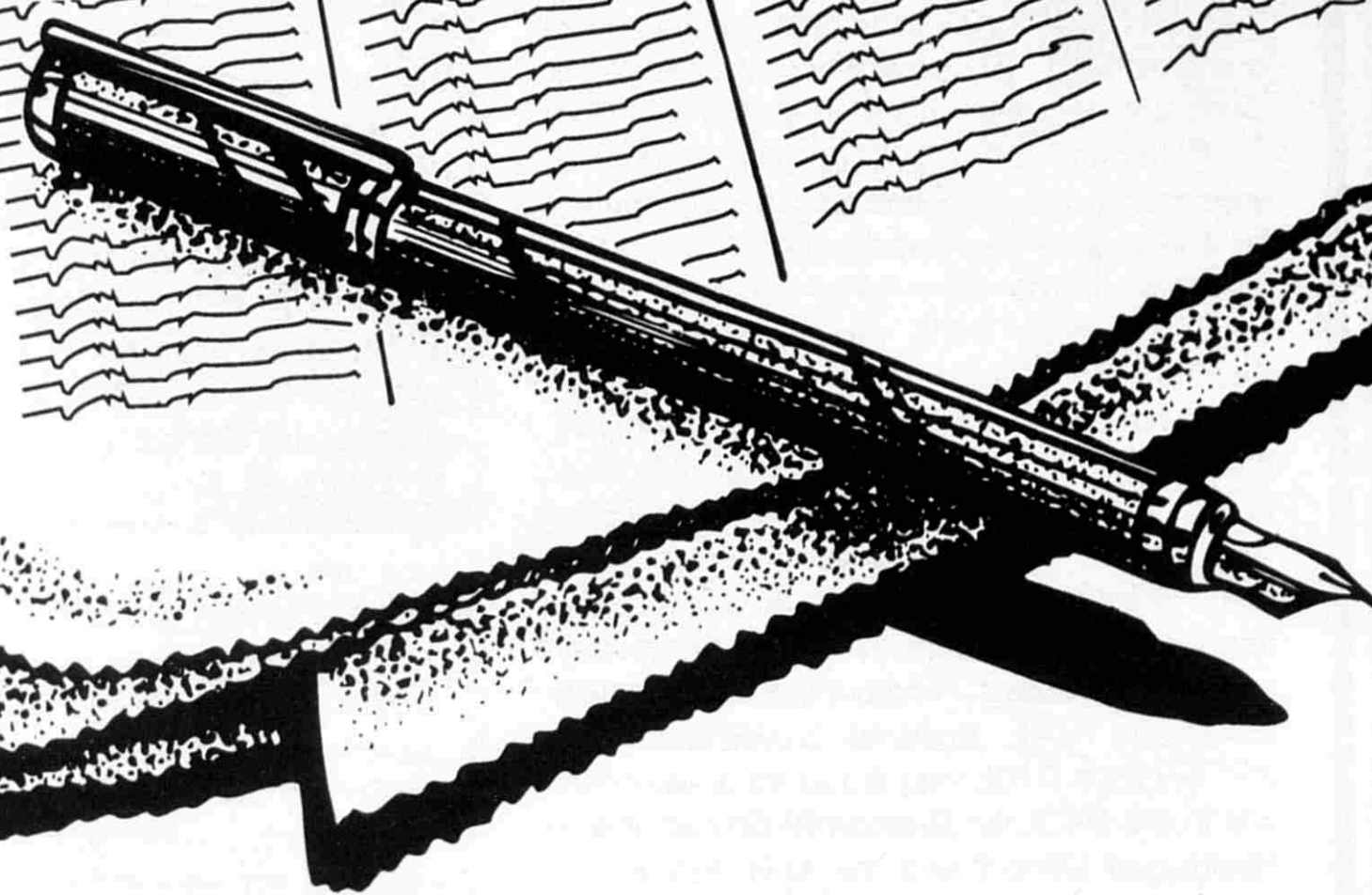
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 In County - \$23<sup>00</sup> • 2 yr.

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 Outside Kent County - \$33<sup>00</sup> • 2 yr.

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- Complete Local News • L.H.S. Sports
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- Engagements • Births • News of Local College Students and Those in the Armed Forces • Church News
- And Much, Much More!

# THE CLASSIFIEDS

## EVENTS

### BINGO

Every Saturday Night  
4:00 P.M.

### LOWELL MOOSE BINGO

1320 E. Fulton  
Early Bird Bingo at 4:00 p.m.

### BINGO

Every Friday Night  
6:00 P.M.

### LOWELL VFW HALL

East Main St., Lowell

Early Bird Bingo at 6:00 p.m.

### PUBLIC INVITED

### LOWELL 5

On M-21 next to Family Fare  
897-1351

### BARGAIN MATINEES \$3.50

Before 6 pm

### ALL SCREENS STEREO

Every Seat a Luxurious Reclining Chair

Free Drink Refills, 25c Popcorn Refills  
Real Buttered Popcorn  
Popped in Peanut Oil

### THE ROCK (R)

Sat.-Thurs. 7:05 & 9:40

Fri. & Sat. 12:10 am

### HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME (G)

Sat.-Thurs. 5:10

### KING PIN (R)

Sat.-Thurs. 5:00, 7:20, 9:45

Fri. & Sat. 12 am

### PHENOMENON (PG-13)

Sat.-Thurs. 4:50, 7:10, 9:25

Fri. & Sat. 11:45 pm

### ESCAPE FROM L.A. (R)

Sat.-Thurs. 5:15, 7:30, 9:55

Fri. & Sat. 11:55 pm

### INDEPENDENCE DAY (PG-13)

Sat.-Thurs. 7:00, 9:35

Fri. & Sat. 12:05 am

\*\*Movies subject to change coupon

### \$2 off concessions

With a minimum \$2 purchase. One coupon per person per purchase. Cannot be combined with other offers. Coupon valid with ticket purchase. EXPIRES 8-22-96

### FOR SALE

### BEAGLE PUPPIES FOR SALE - \$50. Call 517-637-4010.

FOR SALE - 1986 Jeep Cherokee, 4-door, 5-speed, 94,000 miles, \$4,500. No rust, 897-9843.

FOR SALE - 1988 Caravan, looks good, runs good, \$3,500 o.b.o. Call 897-4886.

## FOR RENT

**FOR RENT IN LOWELL**  
-3 bedroom house, \$600 a month plus utilities, \$600 deposit. Call 897-9357.

**FOR RENT - Flat River**  
Snowmobile Clubhouse, has kitchen facilities & seats approx. 75. Call 897-7398.

**BANQUET HALL -**  
Available for rental, for wedding receptions, birthday parties, etc. Call The New Riverview Banquet Hall. 897-9948.

**CENTER COURT APARTMENTS - Lowell.**  
1 & 2 bedroom apartments with heat, carpets, garages, short-term leases, small pet, air & more. 897-0099 day or night.

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## ELDERLY OR NEAR-ELDERLY APARTMENTS

- 1 Bedroom
- Carpeted
- Stove and Refrigerator
- Elevators
- Laundry Facilities
- Community Room
- Utilities Furnished
- Dial-A-Ride to Ionia
- Local Transportation Available
- Rent Based On Income

Convenient to doctors, shopping, churches, etc.

## INQUIRE AT Saranac Housing Commission

203 Parsonage St.  
Saranac, MI 48881  
**(616) 642-9832**



## IN MEMORIAM

**IN MEMORY OF**  
Tricia Jean Erbantraut,  
March 14, 1974-  
August 14, 1992.  
"Forever in our hearts"  
Orlie & Mary Grindle,  
Terry, Kelly, John & Jake,  
Sheryl, Dewayne, Jessie & Sara,  
Andy & Jean.

## CARD OF THANKS

**DEAR FRIENDS**  
What a tribute to Steve! Your love, kindness and support will always be treasured. We thank each and every one of you from the bottom of our hearts.  
The Idema Family,  
Peggy, Anthony, Jennifer, Julie, Steve and Jackson.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
I want to thank all my family and friends for the cards, beautiful plants, phone calls & your prayers for me while I was in the hospital and since returning home. They were all appreciated so much. Thanks again and God Bless.  
Marylynn Thomet.

## CLASSIFIEDS FOR AS LITTLE AS \$1?

It's true! 15 words for \$1 and each additional word is only 10 cents! Call the Lowell Ledger to find out how! 897-9261!

Put your family's names in the Lowell Ledger Birthday List!  
Just call 897-9261! Or send them to P O Box 128, Lowell, MI 49331.

## HELP WANTED

**RN's & HHA's/CNA's -**  
Are you looking for a change, would you like to supplement your income? Come & talk with us at Heartland Home Health Care & we'll show you how. Call 942-7733. EOE.

**THE LOWELL YMCA -**  
is looking for child care staff for expanding programs. Must have experience working with preschoolers and/or school aged children. Please call 897-4371 or send resume to 404 N. Hudson, Lowell, MI 49331.

**LOCAL BUILDER -**  
is looking for hard-working & ambitious individual. Starting pay \$8 per hour. Send resume to P.O. Box 332, Lowell MI 49331.

**TEACHER SUPERVISOR/FAMILY INVOLVEMENT WORKER -**  
Needed for Head Start classroom in Lowell. Immediate opening for qualified individual to direct the operation, administration and maintenance of a Head Start Center facility half time and to assist families in meeting their needs for essential family support services half time. Minimum requirement is Child Development Associate (CDA) credential with 12 hours in Early Childhood. Bachelor's degree preferred. One year supervisory experience and two years experience in Head Start or other preschool program required. Familiarity with community resources necessary. Must have reliable transportation and ability to travel throughout the designated service area. Must be able to work with children and families of differing cultural and socio-economic backgrounds. Resume/application must be received no later than Friday, August 23. Mail to: Michigan Family Resources, Attn: Human Resources Manager, 1805 Bristol, N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49504. EOE M/F/V/D

## BUSINESS SERVICES

**COOKS & SERVERS -**  
Fast paced busy restaurant is looking for qualified hard-working individuals interested in making money-no holidays. Apply in person Larkins Restaurant, Lowell.

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Vacationers featuring motorhomes August. Make your favorite chair like new. Free written estimates. 22 years experience, quality guaranteed work. Call Beth 897-7654 or 897-7756.

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Foreclosed, HUD, VA, S&L Bailout properties. Low down. Fantastic savings. Call 1-800-513,4343 Ext. H-1520 for list.

**HANDYMAN NEEDS WORK -**  
do most anything, specializing in roofing. Also do metal roofs & barns. Call anytime, 616-794-9677.

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Call Bill, certified farrier. 517-637-4010.

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Quality • Service  
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**IRRIGATION/LANDSCAPE -**  
Landscape/irrigation experience helpful, but not necessary. Learn all aspects of business. Call 676-9286, 3777 Cherry Lane, \$6-\$8 depending on experience.

**PIANOS -**  
Big savings on quality-built, American-made pianos. Reconditioned in my home. Delivered & tuned. Gary 874-8235.

**CONAN'S REMOVAL -**  
1 call does all! We haul anything! Call 243-7502.

**CUSTOM BUILT HOMES -**  
Garages, barns, decks, home renovations and remodeling. For free estimate, call Ray Residential, Inc. (616) 891-8511.

**LICENSED DAY CARE -**  
in my Eastgate home, 16 years experience, 6 mos. & older, 1st shift. Call 897-8398.

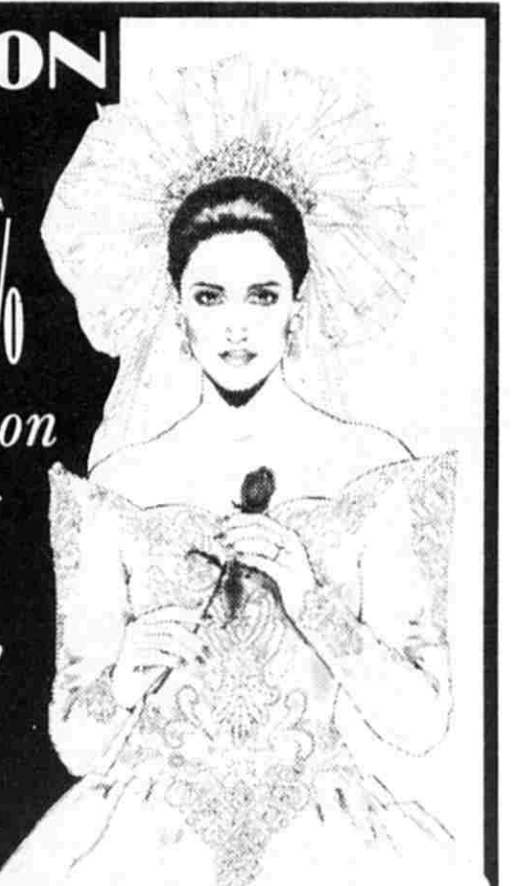
**CARPET SALES & INSTALLATION -**  
23 years experience. Kraig Haybarker, 897-8829.

## CLASSIFIEDS DO THE TRICK!

## ATTENTION BRIDES!

**SAVE 20%**  
On your Carlson Craft wedding order totaling \$150 or more!

In order to receive the 20% off, this ad must be brought in when placing your order. Offer expires Aug. 30, 1996



**Lowell Ledger/ Lowell Litho**  
105 N. Broadway, Lowell  
897-9261





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**Thursday, Friday & Saturday**  
**AUGUST 15, 16 & 17**

**BEST BARGAINS**  
**OF THE YEAR!**

*Typical Savings Of*

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*All Floor Displays*  
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