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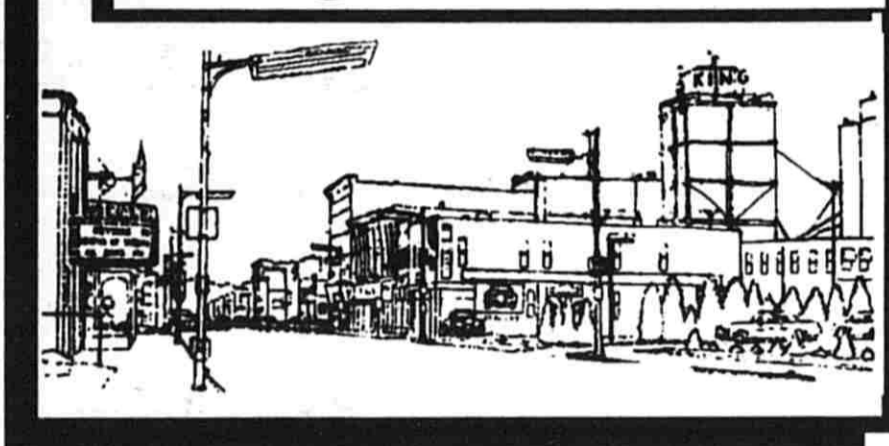
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Along Main Street



CABLE OUTAGE

There will be a cable outage on Wednesday, Sept. 17 at 8 a.m. for approximately two hours for maintenance work. It will only affect Key Heights and Eastgate and anyone west of Alden Nash.

HOMECOMING PARADE ENTRIES

Any club or association interested in participating in this year's homecoming parade on October 10 should contact Robert VanBelois at 897-4125.

LOOKING FOR THE "RED DEVIL" LOGO

The LHS class of '48 is planning their 50th reunion for June 27, 1998 and they are looking for the school emblem "Lowell Red Devils" which was their athletic team's name until 1947.

The planning committee would like to borrow a "Red Devil" emblem and make a copy. If you have one please call Alice or John at 897-9588.

FALLASBURG HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

The regular meeting of the Fallasburg Historical Society will be held Monday, Sept. 22 at 7:30 p.m. at the Fallasburg Schoolhouse on Covered Bridge Road. Jack Misner, teacher at Lowell Middle School, will speak on "Benjamin Morse, Civil War Medal of Honor winner" and Morse's connections to Lowell and Fallasburg.

Visitors welcome. For further information, call 897-6430.

GIFTED & TALENTED PARENT SUPPORT MEETING

The gifted and talented parent support meetings will be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Administration building, 300 High St.

The September 23rd meeting will feature a report on the upcoming year's Academic Enrichment program and a time for parents to meet each other.

LHS CLASS OF '48

Lowell High School class of '48 is planning their 50th reunion for June 27, 1998 at the Egypt Valley Country Club.

The planning committee is seeking the whereabouts of the following classmates: Rev. David Gardner, Barbara (Heintzelman) Gessner, Saralee (Chrouch) Eden and Dorothy (Venneman) Hoffman. If you can help us with information, please call Jo at 897-9524 or Alice at 897-9588.

COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION

Commodities will be distributed from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 25, at Moose Recreational Center, E. Main St.

This month's commodities are applesauce, beans, veggie, figs, salmon, corn, cereal, grapefruit juice, refried beans, spaghetti and tomato sauce.

LAAC EXHIBIT

Two Grand Rapids artists come together in a joint exhibition in the Lowell Area Arts Council Center Gallery. Molly Alicki-Corriveau and Lynette M. Vought bring recent work from their respective studios. Both women are working artists and instructors in the Grand Rapids area.

This exhibit will be on view through Tuesday, Sept. 30.

CAMP FIRE BOYS & GIRLS INFORMATION MEETING

A Camp Fire boys and girls informational meeting will be held Thursday, Sept. 18, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Lowell United Methodist Church in the education wing. Call Kathy at 897-6346 or Robin at 897-6015 with any questions.

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BALANCING NEEDS

Two sides come to understanding in effort to curb truck traffic on residential street. Meeting brings forth seven truck route changes.

By J.N. Boorsma
 Contributing Writer

The balance between being a good neighbor and running a business can be a difficult one, but city officials believe Newell Manufacturing officials are working toward that with an agreement to help curb truck traffic on residential streets.

At a Sept. 2 meeting, residents complained about the noise, traffic, and parking problems created by the trucks entering and leaving Newell Manufacturing, located at 615 Chatham Street.

The result was mayor William Thompson, police chief Jim Valentine, and Newell Manufacturing officials Jack Seese and John Reinberg sitting down to see what could be done about the problem.

On Sept. 8, residents were mailed out a proposed truck route changes letter that would take effect immediately after construction is completed at the company on or around Oct. 15.

Those changes included:

- Changing the present truck route to Amity Street to the entrance gate at Elm Street.
- Creating one-way truck traffic on Newell's property.
- Newell creating a truck staging area in the northwest corner of their property.
- The posting of no parking signs on the west side of Amity Street between Elm and Chatham.
- Prohibiting parking on the east side of Amity Street and north of Chatham Street to the first driveway. Ten-minute parking would be allowed on the east side of Amity Street from Elm Street to about 150 feet.
- No overnight truck parking.
- Newell continuing to close the large doors at the plant at 9 p.m. as much as

possible to accommodate hilt traffic.

City manager David Pasquale said the agreement has been met with positive response from the residents. The city did receive a letter dated Sept. 10, asking the city to consider four other conditions.

At this point, Pasquale said Newell and city officials felt two of the points - no truck parking on either side of Smith Street, and Newell

providing an area for drivers to stop and close their doors before leaving the company's property - could be met.

The other two points - no left turn for trucks at the corner of Smith Street and Fulton Street, and all parking limited to the north side of Chatham Street between Smith and Amity - needed a wait-and-see approach, said Valentine.

"I think we should keep an eye on this, but I would hate to implement something right

now," Valentine said about the no left turn from Smith Street to Fulton.

Valentine said the city could be creating more trucking problems in other neighborhoods with drivers trying to turn around to head east on the expressway. At this point, he said if the city starts to see trucks backing up on that street to make left-hand turns, then something should be implemented. Valentine said Newell officials indicated they expected most of their truck traffic would be heading west to Grand Rapids and thus be making right-hand turns.

As for the parking, Valentine said his officers did conduct some tests and found that with parked cars along the road, two cars could pass by with about three feet of room. Since the

When residents and businesses work together, as we have had them do in other circumstances, they usually work toward an understanding and acceptance.

Bill Thompson
 Lowell Mayor

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Halftime Tunes

Lowell High School marching band saxophonists Jenny McCaul, left, and Doug Reed join in during the season's halftime presentation. The band started the halftime show with "Born To Be Wild." Lowell football fans were wild about the Red Arrows' 14-13 win over Zeeland. Football story, page 20.

Belding parcel transferred to Lowell School District

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
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OBITUARIES

ADDINGTON - George P. Addington, aged 75, died Thursday, September 11, 1997. He is survived by his daughters Betty Jean (David) Mitchell and Berneice (Cecile) Mund; sons Pat (Diane), Tom, and Dennis (Cindy); sisters Lucile Noren, Anna Mae (Ray) Garner, Edith (William) Jonsson; brothers Robert (Ellen), Walter (Ruth) and Ernest (Eleanor) and special friend Joy Hannon. Funeral services were held Monday at McDowell Funeral Home in Reed City.

DE GROTE - Elizabeth (Betty) DeGrote, aged 59, of Ada, passed away Wednesday, September 10, 1997. She is survived by her children Dean (Deborah) DeGrote of Lowell, Mark DeGrote of Spring Lake, Beth DeGrote of Ada, Chris (Selena DeYoung) DeGrote of Lowell; sister Marilyn Alvarez of Sunapee, NH; grandchildren Anthony and Hailey DeGrote.

Funeral Services were held Saturday at St. Robert of Newminster Church, Rev. James C. Kowalski officiating. Arrangements by Roth-Gerst, Lowell.

LLANTO - Kaethe Llanto, aged 81, died September 5, 1997. She is survived by her children Hilda Zamora of Lowell, Trudy Gruber and Steven Shubba of Kitchener; six grandchildren, Adam, Jason, Wayne, David, Robert and Silvia; three step-grandsons Hoviar, Hoses, Luppa; six great-grandchildren and eight step-great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Friday at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Lowell, Rev. Bob

Roush of Friendship Country Chapel officiating.

MULDER - Marie (VanderMaas) Mulder, aged 83, passed away at her home Monday, September 8, after a long fight with Emphysema and Parkinsons. She was preceded in death by four brothers, Paul, Bert, Frank and Cornelius. She is survived by her husband of 63 years, Clarence Mulder and their five sons, Clarence Mulder of Maryland, Cornelius (Bonnie) Mulder of Cutlerville, Robert (Barb) Mulder of Florida, Frank Mulder of Lowell, John (Sena) Mulder of Wyoming, all of which she raised together with her husband on

their farm in Alto. She was blessed with 10 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren who also survive her. A memorial service will be held at First Assembly of God (Light-house Auditorium), 2100 44th Street SW, Wyoming on Wednesday, September 17 at 11:00. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her honor to Hospice of Grand Rapids.

THORNBURG - Arville L. Thornburg Jr., aged 44, of Fruitport Township, died Saturday, September 13, 1997. He was born January 11, 1953 in Sewickley, PA, to Arville and Helen Potts Thornburg. On March 20, 1976, he married Mary Huizen in Grand

Rapids. Mr. Thornburg was a member of Central Assembly of God Church and was the President-elect of West Michigan Missing Children's Network. He was employed at General Motors in Coopersville as a job setter. Survivors include his wife Mary; two sons Clint and Eric, both at home; four daughters, Lorrie (Todd) Van Wyck of Muskegon, Melissa, Nicole and Amber Thornburg, all at home; two grandchildren Brenda Marie Van Wyck and Justin Matthew Thornburg; mother, Helen Thornburg of Belmont; father and mother-in-law Irwin and Mary Huizen of Grandville; four sisters, Leah (Gary) Monroe of South Bend, IN, Janet (John) Pickens of Port St. Lucie, FL, Donna (Fred) Oesch of Alto, and Lois Tindle of Hastings; two brothers, Allen of Port St. Lucie, FL and Harry of Grandville; sister-in-law Joy (Roger) Kamphuis of Byron Center. Service will be Thursday, September 18, 1997, at 11 a.m. at Central Assembly of God Church with Pastor Gordon D. Aikin officiating. Interment at Fruitport Cemetery. Visitation Wednesday 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 at Clock Funeral Home-Fruitport. Memorial: West Michigan Missing Children's Fund.

Fox to replace PASS

Lowell Cable TV has learned through public announcements and conversations with PASS management that Fox Sports Detroit has bought the rights to telecast Detroit Redwings (NHL), Detroit Pistons (NBA), and Detroit Tigers (MLB) sporting events. Consequently, PASS will discontinue providing its service.

Lowell Cable TV will sign an affiliate agreement with Fox Sports Detroit to carry their programming on its system. The exact date of this switchover is not known at this time, although it will be prior to the start of the NHL season. Fox Sports Detroit will be carried on Channel position 31, the position currently used for PASS.

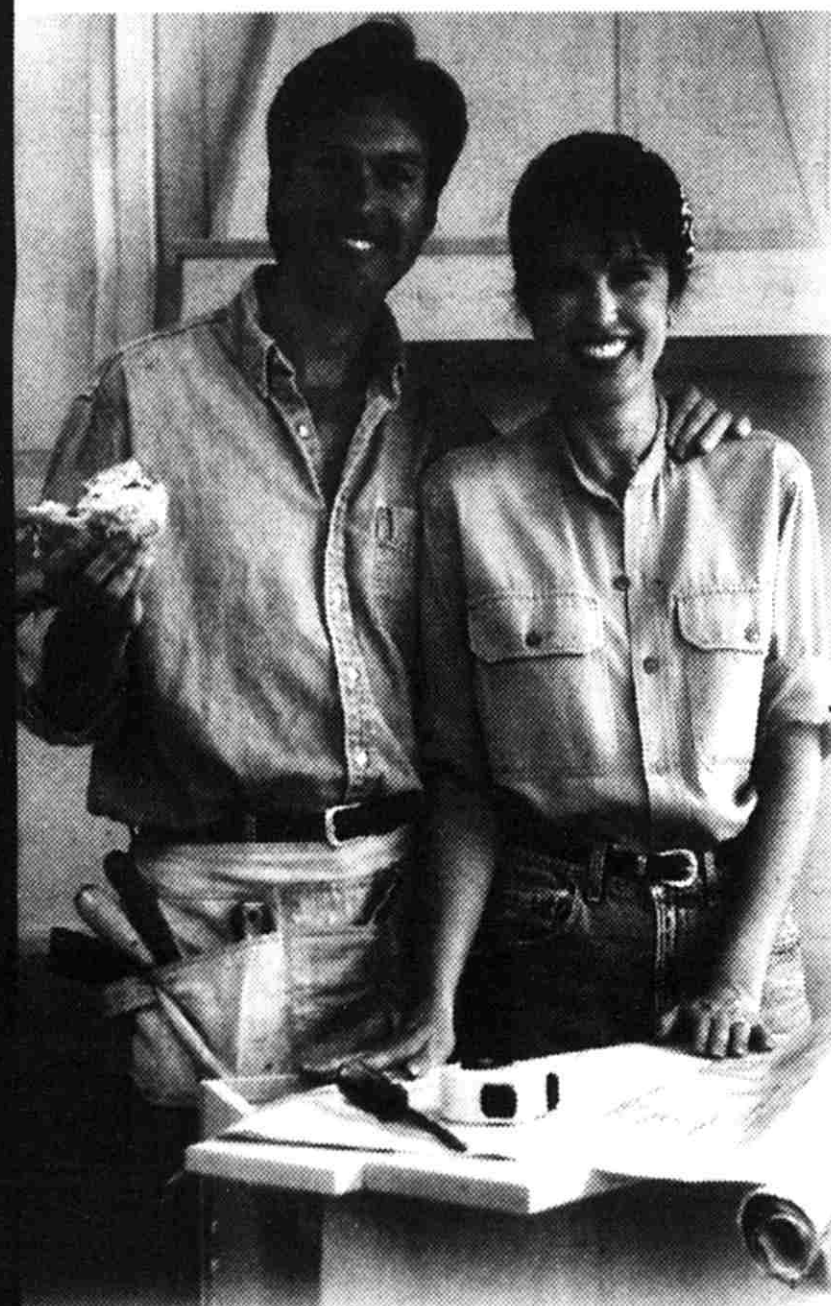


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STOMACH ULCERS AND H. PYLORI INFECTION

An ulcer is a break in the lining of the stomach or first part of the small intestine (duodenum). This usually results in a burning, gnawing, dull ache in your upper abdomen. These ulcers for many years were thought to be caused by stress, too much acid in the stomach, medications (ie: anti-inflammatory preparations such as aspirin or ibuprofen), and even certain types of foods. We now know that most of this is not true - most people who have ulcers have a bacterial infection called H. pylori. Ulcers in patients who do not have H. pylori are probably caused by use of one of the above named anti-inflammatory medications.

H. pylori can now be diagnosed with a blood test. If your doctor is concerned that your symptoms may involve some-

thing more than a simple ulcer, he or she may order an X-ray or have a specialist evaluate your stomach with a flexible scope (endoscopy).

If the diagnosis of H. pylori is made, the good news is that your ulcer should be curable by taking several medications a day for two to four weeks. If you have an ulcer, but it is not

caused by H. pylori, treatment with medications may need to be extended for up to 12 to 16 weeks. In any event, persistent stomach pain or burning should not be ignored. Effective treatment is available, but more importantly, other more serious causes for stomach pain should be ruled out.

Capitol Commentary, continued... From Page 5

With mounting pressure at the federal level to create a national deregulation plan, Michigan needs action to prevent a "one-size-fits-all" federal mandate from being forced on us.

Another topic likely to be of issue is Public Act 51. This law governs the road funding formula and has a sunset provision which expires next year. The Senate plans to bring a group together to find a solution.

Children are our future. We must do all that we can to protect them and ensure a healthy and happy future. Several children's bills adopted by the Senate are awaiting House action. Written in response to Lt. Governor Connie Binsfeld's children's commission, the measures focus on protecting children. They deal with child abuse, foster parenting and requiring accountability of parents and agencies charged with keeping children safe.

Quality education in Michigan has long been one of my top priorities. Senate Republicans conducted a series of teacher listen-ins across the state. The overwhelming response we

received from these and teacher surveys are the basis for much of the legislation being developed for fall introduction. Nearly 70 separate issues were identified by teachers, including student, parent and teacher needs, funding, testing, special education and safe schools.

The most pressing education issue which will face the Legislature when they return will be resolving the special education funding issue created by the Durant decision rendered by the Michigan Supreme Court.

This agenda was developed for the benefit of Michigan families. Fiscal responsibility, improved quality of life and safe communities are the bedrock issues upon which Senate Republicans have built and will continue to build Michigan's future.

I look forward to continuing our hard-hitting, responsive agenda, and as always, encourage you to contact me with any questions, concerns or suggestions.

Bleke's leadership supported through his words and actions

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Kenneth Kooiman owns a 39.84 acre parcel on Crooked Lake.

He is selling the west portion of the parcel (18.6 acres) to Mark Smith. The parcel would connect with Smith's parcel on Crooked Lake.

Smith intends to build a home on the Belding property and desires to have all of the property in the Lowell district.

Kooiman is also going to combine the remaining acreage with the parcel bordering Crooked Lake.

School transportation is provided by the Lowell Area Schools to the Lowell residents who currently reside in this area of Crooked Lake.

Belding superintendent Bert Emerson said it would be easier for the Lowell School District to serve that property. "We'd also much rather have our residents happy in another

district than being captive in ours," he said.

Emerson said the transfer does not represent a total loss of dollars for Belding.

Seven mills of Belding School debt is transferred with the property.

With both schools agreeing to the change, the process could be continued with a resolution from each district's board rather than the usual property transfer.

The final step in the process is the approval of the respective Intermediate School Districts' boards.

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Council offers city lots to Habitat for Humanity

By J.N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer

With little discussion, the Lowell City Council unanimously decided to offer to sell two city lots to the Habitat for Humanity of Kent County program for just a dollar apiece.

The two lots, which Habitat for Humanity approached the city about purchasing several weeks ago, are 807 Bowes and 942 Sibley. Each lot is approximately 66 by 122 feet.

City manager David Pasquale said Habitat for Humanity was interested in purchasing the lots to construct single family residential housing units for families whose household income falls below 50 percent of the median income for Kent County.

The city did seek bids on the property as authorized by

the city council at its August 18 meeting. Two bids were submitted. One was in the amount of \$3,000 for the 807 Bowes Road property from Roger and Sandy Fetterhoff, of 815 Bowes Road. The Fetterhoff's indicated in their bid they would like to expand their yard and fence it in.

The second bid came from Rosemary Fonger, 750 Bowes Road, who put in a bid of \$2,000 per lot. Fonger indicated she wanted to put manufactured housing on the lots.

"The city council has the opportunity to select who you wish," Pasquale said, adding that Richard Wendt, city attorney, has given his opinion that the city does not have to sell the lots to the highest bidder.

With that, counselor Charles Myers said because of his past experiences with working with Habitat for Humanity and having been part of the discussions over selling the lots to

them, he moved that the city offer the lots to Habitat for Humanity. The council approved his motion, 5-0.

Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit corporation. The organization brings community volunteers together to help construct the homes, which would be sold to low income families for zero down and zero interest on a 20-year loan.

In its bid, the organization did indicate that applicants for the homes would be sought from the Lowell area. The selection process does identify families who are ready to assume the responsibilities of home ownership and are willing to give 500 hours of their time on the construction of the home and the homes of others.

Habitat for Humanity also plans to work with Lowell area churches, businesses, civic groups, and individuals in constructing the homes.



Robert and Peggy Hayes

Hayes to celebrate 40 years together

Robert and Peggy (Gray) Hayes of Lowell will be celebrating 40 years of marriage on September 20, 1997.

The couple's children are Tammy Hayes, Kim (Hayes) Puite and Greg and Robin (Hayes) Briggs. They have five grandchildren.

The couple will celebrate the occasion with a family dinner.

Snuffer and Swanson announce engagement

Philip and Terry Snuffer and Robert and Janice Swanson, all of Lowell, wish to announce the engagement of their children Sarah and Keith.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Lowell High School and Davenport College.

The future groom is a graduate of Lowell High School and Grand Rapids Community College.

The couple is planning a September 27, 1997 wedding.

Lowell High School to host NCAA seminar

There will be a National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) seminar in the Performing Arts Center at Lowell High School on Monday, Sept. 22, at 7 p.m.

Representatives from Michigan State University, Grand Valley State University and Calvin College will be present to speak on topics including the NCAA clearinghouse, admission process and eligibility.

If you have plans to participate in intercollegiate athletics, this seminar can provide you with the information necessary to be eligible and the procedures to follow.

Lowell Engineering earns QS 9000 certification

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

General Motors, Ford and Chrysler all agreed upon one set of system standards which make manufacturers of auto parts accountable for processing, inspections and training.

Lowell Engineering, 6151 Bancroft, Alto, a manufacturer of exterior mirrors for the big three car dealers along with Toyota, Honda, BMW and Mercedes, recently received its QS 9000 certification.

"If you're not certified, your name is removed from the quote list," said Lowell Engineering's Pete Smith, assistant general manager.

Rosalind Lindsea, Lowell Engineering's QS 9000 coordinator, explained that the Alto company will go through a full-blown assessment every three years. However, every six months, a registrar carries out an assessment on a department within Lowell Engineering.

"QS 9000 certification insures that what a manufacturer says is what it is doing," Smith said. "It also emphasizes continuous improvement, training, control of processing and planning."

Lowell Engineering, a division of Magna International, founded in Ontario, Canada, employs 690 people.



Rosalind Lindsea, Lowell Engineering QS 9000 coordinator and Pete Smith, Lowell Engineering assistant general manager, hold up a plaque commemorating the Alto business' certification.

"Earning certification is a team effort," Lindsea says. "Everyone works together. It's taken a lot of work on everyone's part for Lowell Engineering to get where it is."

KSRP Ride-A-Thon Sept. 27

The Kent Special Riding Program (KSRP) will hold its 19th annual benefit Ride-A-Thon on Saturday, September 27, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Ionia State Recreation Area. The 1997 event sponsors are Old Kent Bank and King Milling Company.

The Ride-A-Thon is a fundraising benefit with horseback riders and hikers of all ages gathering pledges in support of KSRP. Participants bring their horses or hiking shoes and spend a day on the beautiful, groomed trails of the Ionia State Recreation Area. Trophies and rosettes are awarded in 10 age categories as well as high pledge individual, business, family, 4-H Club and non-4-H Club. Each entrant who brings in at least \$25 in pledges will receive a specially designed tee shirt, lunch and eligibility for over 100 door prizes and other special awards. Each \$50 in pledges earns one ticket in the grand prize drawing for a \$500 shopping spree. This event attracts riders from all over Michigan and Indiana. Many have made this a yearly tradition, participating for over 15 years.

The Ride-A-Thon has been very successful in raising the funds needed to operate KSRP. In 1996, 322 riders raised \$37,670.39. For the third year in a row, the KSRP

Ride-A-Thon was named the largest Ride-A-Thon in the country by NAHRA (North American Handicapped Riding Association). Organizers anticipate an even more successful event in 1997.

The Kent Special Riding Program is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing high quality therapeutic and recreational horseback riding instruction to physically, mentally and emotionally challenged individuals in Kent and surrounding counties. The program runs 3, six-week sessions serving 120 to 160 riders each. KSRP employs four certified instructors and the program itself is accredited by NAHRA. This national association requires strict adherence in the areas of quality of instruction, selection of horses, training of volunteers and safety. Funds raised through the Ride-A-Thon go directly to running the program.

KSRP is in its 21st year of operation. For more information about the Ride-A-Thon or to receive a pledge sheet, call the Kent County Cooperative Extension office at 336-3265 or Steve Grody at 642-2315. To learn more about KSRP, call Lynn Schumacher at 891-8066.

Lowell Methodist Church launches performing arts series

The opening event in Lowell United Methodist Church's *Series For The Performing Arts* will be held Sunday, Sept. 21 at 6 p.m. in the church sanctuary. Refreshments and fellowship will follow. There is no charge for the *Series* events but a free will offering will be received.

The opening concert this year is by Shawn Jacob. The program is entitled *Seeing is Believing* and features visual illusions, sidesplitting comedy and audience participation. Jacob states that his

purpose is to bring "home important Biblical messages about God's love" through improvisational bits, wacky sight-gags, way-out illusions and witty one-liners.

His performance is described by others as "awesome, refreshing to laugh to the point of having tears and draws both children and adults into his shows." One reviewer describes Jacob as "a Christian combination of Gallagher and David Letterman." The public is invited to attend this and all of the *Series*.

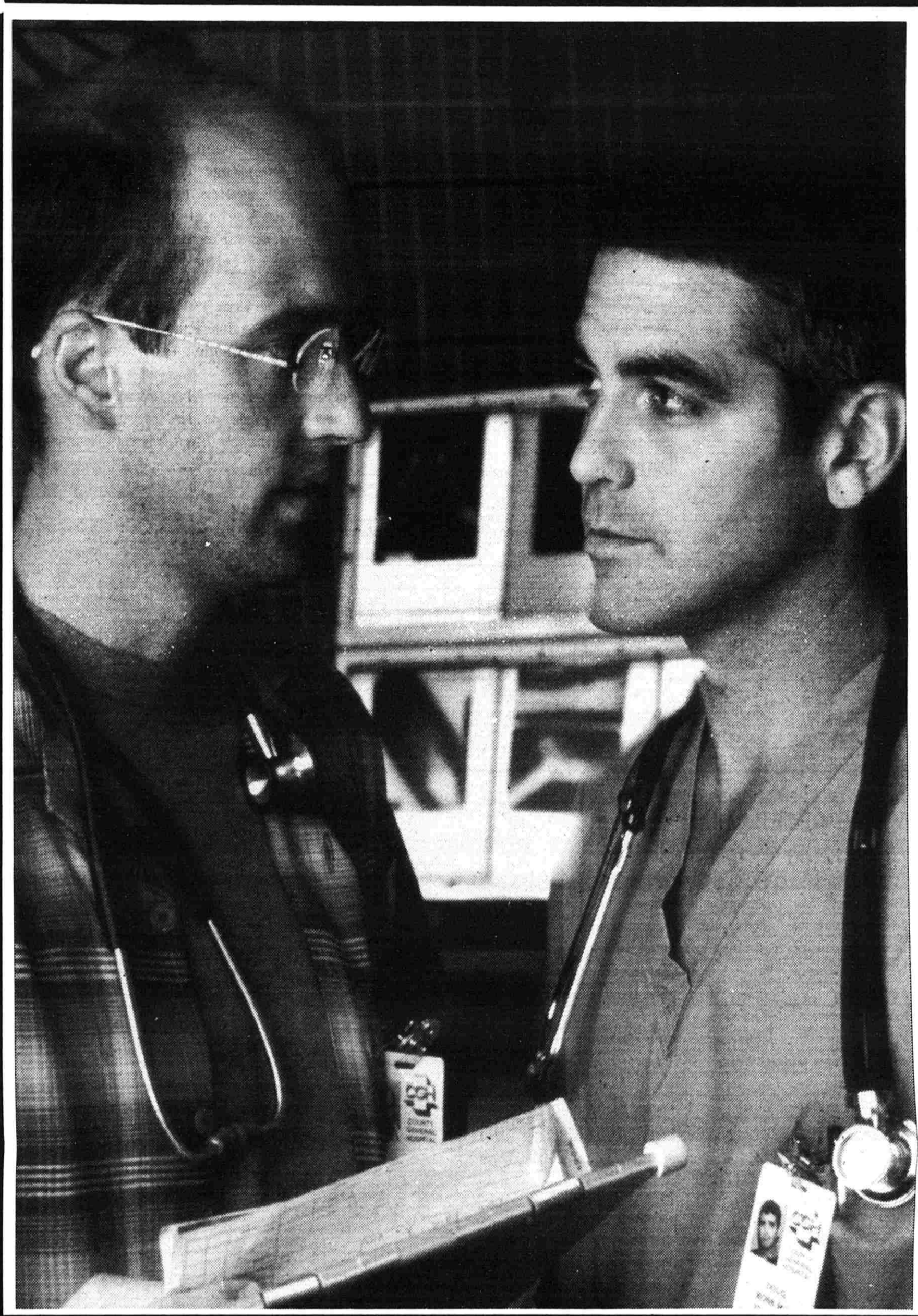


Shawn Jacob

The Ledger TV LISTING MAGAZINE

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11*	WTLJ-54
12	WKAR-23
13	WZZM-13
14	DISNEY**
15	WSYM-47
16	HBO**
17	WTBS
18	C-MAX**
19	FAM
20	FX
21*	M-TV
23	USA
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27	CNN
28*	HN
29	NICK
30	A&E
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33*	C-SPAN
34*	EWTV
35	TNN
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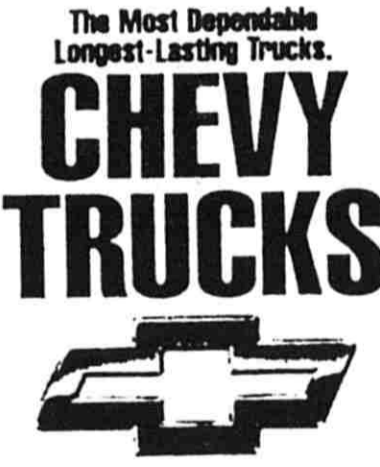


FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 19 THRU SEPTEMBER 25

Anthony Edwards, left, and George Clooney star in the live season premiere of ER. NBC is making television history with the live episode of the already lifelike hospital drama. The premiere airs Thursday on the Peacock Network.

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Table with columns for dates (Monday Night, Wednesday Night, Thursday Night, Friday Night) and team names/scores.

EVERY 1ST & 3RD TUESDAY: Lowell Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Look Memorial Fire Station... EVERY 1ST MONDAY: Boy Scout Troop 102, for boys 11 and up or completing the 5th grade... EVERY 1ST WEDNESDAY: Lowell Area Jaycees meet at 7 p.m. at Lowell City Hall...

The bell tolls for Snow United Methodist Church's centennial

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

A small group of people gave of their time, resources and talent so that Snow United Methodist Church could be built in 1897.

That giving, caring energy has manifested itself again and again over the past 10 decades.

The Snow United Methodist Church will celebrate its centennial on Saturday, Sept. 20th and will culminate with a centennial celebration service at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28th.

"Snow United Methodist Church has always been a very giving congregation in terms of time, talent and re-

sources," said church trustee Dick Doezeema.

Urial Snow, a farmer who lived on 28th Street back in the late 1800s, donated land and much of the lumber for the construction of the church in 1897. It was erected through volunteer labor.

Prior to its construction, the congregation met in a log schoolhouse, which sat in a field to the east of the church.

Volunteers from the congregation stepped forward again in 1952 to put a basement under the church.

Their efforts were complicated when heavy rains caused the ground to soften and the timbers to settle. This led to the church leaning,

which caused the bell to ring once.

Volunteers leveled the church by jacking up the timbers, moving it up to where it was supposed to be, with the basement walls being built under it.

Afraid that all of this had caused the steeple to weaken, it was decided to remove the 900-pound bell from the steeple.

It was not returned to the steeple until the fall of last year. "We reinforced the timbers in the steeple and put the bell back up," Doezeema said.

Through the advancement of technology, the bell is now set up to ring automatically at 9:30, 9:45 and 11:15 a.m. on Sundays.

In 1986, the church congregation again came forward volunteering its time, service and talent to construct an addition to the church. It attached the schoolhouse (now used as a Christian Center) to the sanctuary and increased the size of the sanctuary by a third. A nursery, office space, conference room and restrooms were also added.

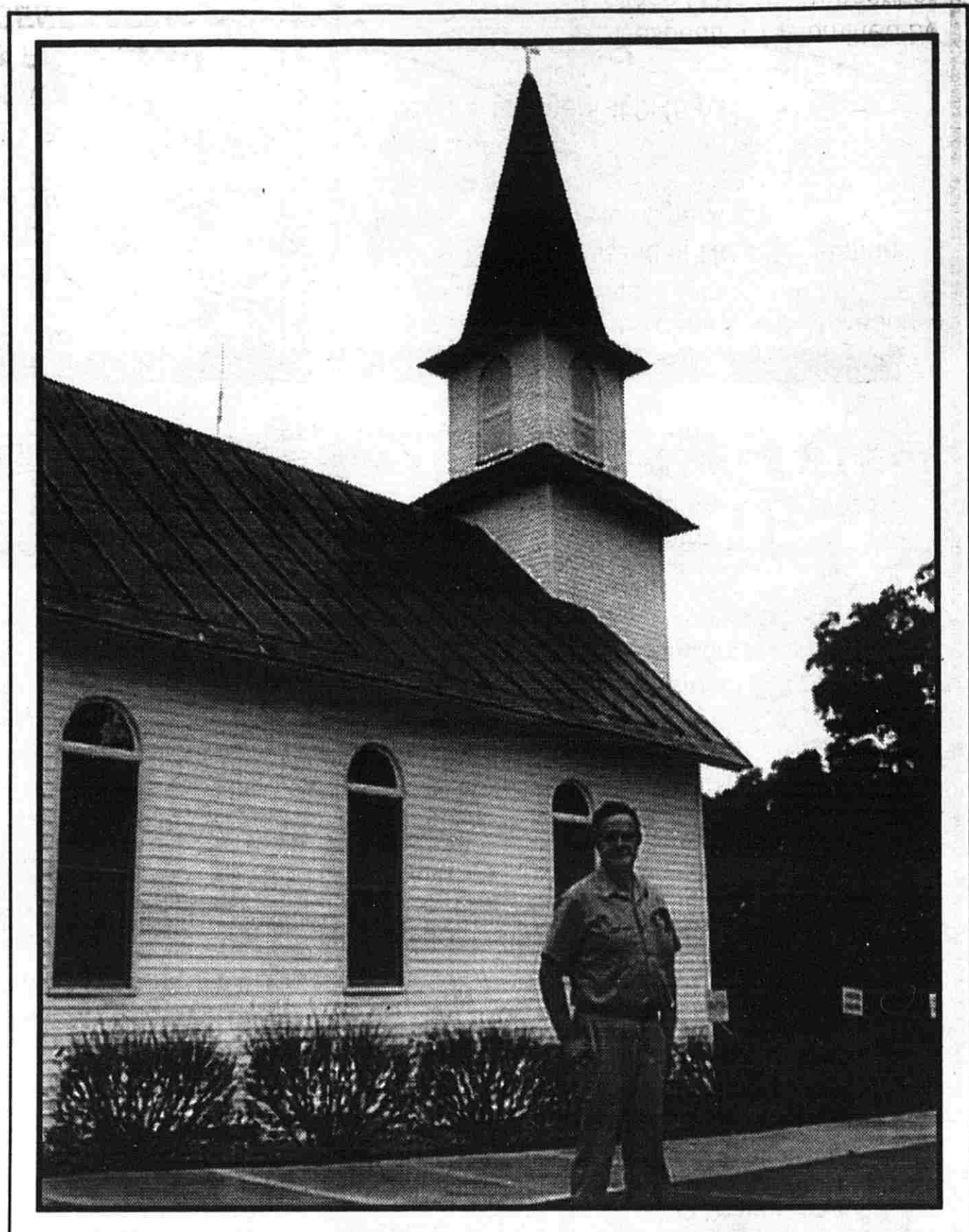
The cost of improvements was \$190,000. The church raised \$50,000 on "Miracle Sunday." The balance was paid for over a 10-year period.

The latest addition to the church was the installation of an elevator earlier this year.

Beyond the congregation's time, service and talent, it has become recognized over the years for its caring nature.

That has been most evident through its work in World Hunger. Over the last 20-plus years, it's been a leader in dollars per member in all of Methodism.

"Visit the World Global



Church trustee Dick Doezeema has experienced the caring energy which the Snow United Methodist Church congregation has with the missions and, more specifically, World Hunger.

Ministries in New York and they know about Snow United Methodist Church," says Rev. Thurlan Meredith.

Some of the monies raised by the church for World Hunger and other missions are done through six turkey dinners. The most recent one (Wednesday, Sept. 10) served 285 people.

"Snow United Methodist Church recognizes that there is a world out there beyond its church steps," Doezeema said. "We became involved in World Hunger in 1974. People have quickly learned what we have done. To hear that you are exceptional rubs off on all aspects of church life."

Another unique aspect of Snow United Methodist

Church is in providing lay leadership to the Grand Rapids District as well as the West Michigan Conference.

"This caring congregation has shown an openness to new ideas, a commitment to its faith, and a strong inter-

est in the missions. Getting involved in the missions back in 1974, I believe, was a turning point for the church," Meredith said. "This congregation is an incredible community of people."

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SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES GRATTAN TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 8, 1997

MOTIONS APPROVED:

- Motion to Approve the Agenda as amended
- Motion to Approve Consent Agenda
- Motion to Address the issue of alternatives to extending Nugent Avenue to Mr. Deane
- Motion to Accept Sewer Lease Agreement
- Motion to Postpone review of Job Descriptions and Operating Procedures
- Motion to Approve a Resolution for Street Light on Old Belding Road at Seeley Creek
- Motion to Approve a Resolution making available the Senior/Community Center 51% of the time
- Motion to Recommend the Zoning Board of Appeals hold monthly meetings
- Motion to Accept the Resolution to Award Construction Contract for New Township Hall/Community Center to Overbeck Construction
- Motion to Approve the Resolution of Intent to Finance Public Improvement by Installation Purchase Agreement
- Motion to Accept the bid of Nugent Heating for Museum Furnace Check and Maintenance
- Motion to Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Colleen O'Brien, Transcriber