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## School district's amended budget plans include substantial cuts

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
 Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell School District's fiscal year started with an adopted deficit budget of \$327,000.

Those gloomy numbers were based on presumptions made in June.

As new information has become available to Lowell School's finance director Connie Gillette, those numbers don't seem nearly so dim.



Connie Gillette, school finance manager

With the new information as the district now knows it, Gillette says the deficit is at \$500,000.

Attributing to the increased deficit were a lower student count than anticipated, additional special education costs, fluctuating staff costs, staff replacement costs and funds for early retirement.

"The school district cannot continue to deficit spend if it is to remain viable," Gillette said. "Deficit spending impacts

this year and our future."

Lowell superintendent Bert Bleke said cuts will be made. "I believe they can be made without affecting staff."

The district wants to make cuts in its budget so that its deficit spending is no more than \$200,000 and its fund balance is not reduced below \$1.6 million.

Gillette said it is likely the district could be in better shape, but a number of key issues such as foundation allowance, at-risk spending and special education funding have not been cleared up. Lowell's finance director is hoping answers to these questions will come from Lansing within the next couple of weeks.

"If special education funding is not at least at last year's level, deeper cuts will have to be made," Gillette explained. "People should understand that our adopted budget in June was based on what the school knew at that time. My financial update is based given facts known at this time."

The school plans on reducing the deficit in one of three ways: cutting cost, increasing revenue and saving money.

It will use monies from its capital outlay and contingency funds totaling \$110,000.

Gillette will provide a list of approximately 40 items to the school board and staff. Each item will be given a cost value. The Board and staff will be asked to identify which ones can and can't be reduced.

From these lists, the administration will make its decisions on where the cuts will fall.

Recommendations won't be made to the board until the budget is amended. Gillette said that will most likely be done in December.

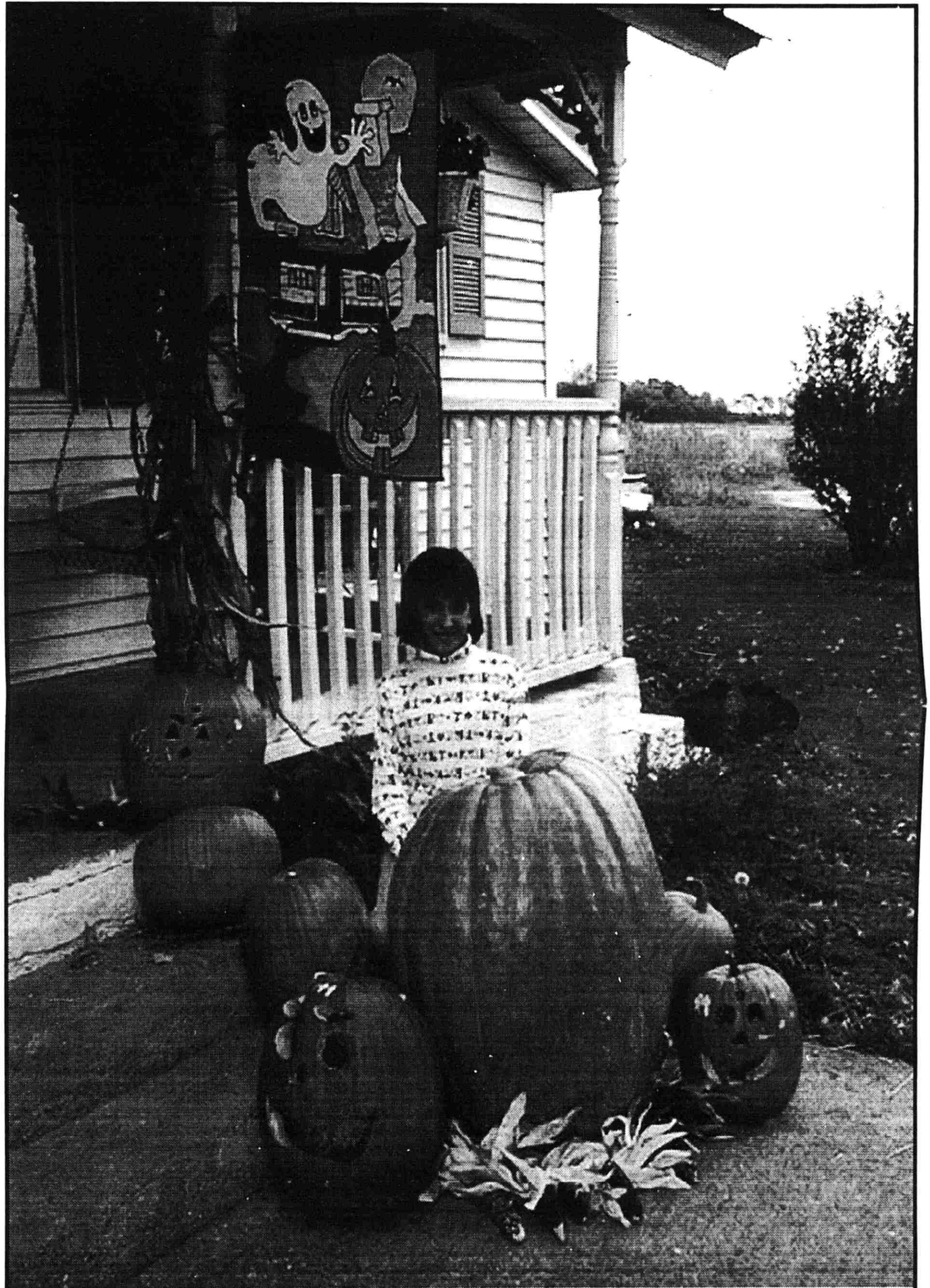
"Our fiscal year started in July and we still don't know what our budget is going to be .... Lansing hasn't told us," Bleke said.

## ZBA fails to see hardship, rules hooves must be removed from roof

by J.N. Boorsma  
 Contributing Writer

Seeing that there was no undue hardship, Lowell's Zoning Board of Appeals turned down a request for a zoning variance for a local business to have a horse on its roof.

In the 45-minute discussion, John Wallace, from DPM Consultants, representing Turn West owner William Bolt, tried to convince the board that the variance was necessary



Nicholas Bergy, what does your garden grow? Would you believe a 185-pound pumpkin? Bergy isn't completely sure how it happened, but he has taken notes and intends to repeat the same steps next year. Bergy planted over 290 pumpkin seedlings in a half acre of land. The healthy harvest of pumpkins has netted the 15-year old some fall spending money. He has sold pumpkins from his home at 8884 Bergy St. and at the location of a Cascade barber. There are still pumpkins available," says Nicholas' mother, Annette. Pictured above with the prized 185-pound pumpkin is Nicholas' sister, Marissa.

since Bolt did not enjoy the same privileges as other businesses by having adequate signage.

However, in the end it may have been Wallace's own video tape showing landscaping, buildings, and other viewing restrictions to the business that could have been the downfall of his argument. Several councilmembers noted that in the tape, they could barely make out the horse figure on top of the building.

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## OBITUARIES

**CAHOON** - Demeris Cahoon, of Saranac, passed away Tuesday in Ionia. She is survived by four sons Richard (Loretta) Nead of FL, Ronald (Rose) Nead of Lowell, Dennis

(Nancy) Nead of Saranac and Richard (Joan) Cahoon of Saranac; two daughters Kathy (Walt) Powell of Saranac and Virginia (Celester) Fox of Vermontville; 17 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Friday at the Saranac Community Church with Rev. Hagemeyer and Rev. James Frank officiating. Interment Saranac Cemetery. Any one wishing may make contributions to the Saranac Community Church, Galilee Baptist Church or Saranac Sports Boosters. Arrangements by Lake Funeral Home in Saranac.

**McBAIN** - Mr. Charles R. McBain, aged 62, of Grand Rapids, passed away in his home Saturday, October 11, 1997. Surviving are his children Richard McBain of Grand Rapids, Teresa (Christopher) Lyman of Lowell, Melanie Magee of Bloomsburg, PA, Kenneth McBain of Lowell; nine grandchildren. He was a member of St. Isidore Benevolent Aid Society. Funeral and Committal Services were held Thursday. Interment Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. Arrangements by Arsulowicz Brothers Mortuary.

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## Lowell Charter Township signs on for another year in gypsy moth program

By Emma Palova  
Contributing Writer

Lowell Charter Township Board agreed unanimously to participate for another year in the Gypsy Moth Suppression program during their regular meeting.

"We have been involved in the suppression program for three years," said township supervisor John

Timpson. "According to the Press, gypsy moth is on the run."

The township received a "Letter of Intent" from Kent County Conservation District, which administers the suppression program. The letter outlines specific program responsibilities and reports for the participating parties.

According to the letter,

the conservation district will provide the participating municipality with an egg mass census determining spray blocks and will coordinate aerial spraying activities and postings. The conservation district will provide the municipality with proposed spray blocks, color-coded infestation levels.

The conservation district

will assist the municipality in any public contact, including new releases and public notices.

The first survey performed in the township revealed that 360 acres of land are infested with the moths, which are known to destroy thousands of acres of land in less than one season.

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## Community Fund forum to discuss building a positive future for Lowell community

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

How should the Lowell community look in the future?

To help provide vision, a Lowell Area Community Fund forum is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 13, from 7 until 9 p.m.

The forum is intended to provide an opportunity to cultivate ideas on how the fund can be used to build a positive future for the Lowell community.

"The committee intends on bringing all groups in our area together to begin understanding what we would like our community to look like in the future," said Lowell Area Schools superintendent Bert Bleke.

Bleke is one of five community members who is sitting in on the Lowell Area Community Fund advisory committee.

The need for the committee came about through the generosity of Harold Englehardt's \$12 million bequest to the Lowell area.

Serving with Bleke on the committee are Jim Bosserd, city executive of Huntington National Bank; John Darling, a great-nephew to Englehardt; David Pasquale, Lowell city

manager; and Scott Vashaw, Lowell High School principal. "The forum provides the committee an opportunity to hear comments about the future of the Lowell area," Bosserd said. "This fund can play an integral role in continuing to build a strong and

healthy community." The Community Learning Enterprise, of Grand Rapids Community College, will help facilitate the forum so

that a report can be produced for the use of the advisory committee. Diana Sieger, of Grand Rapids Foundation, will ex-

plain the relationship between the foundation and the Lowell Area Community Fund.

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# Reflections

Of Faith

By Gordie Barry

What Is Important and What Is Not

We live in a time of conflicting values. We live in a time and culture where ideals and beliefs of faith are being drowned out by stress and validation of material goals. In spite of this material direction, we see our culture yearning for that which will bring peace to our minds, hearts, and souls. Sooner or later we find our way into the church and into the presence of God.

As a pastor I am reminded every day of what is important and what is not. Every day I am confronted with pain, longing, searching, wanting, as people seek to fill the gap in their lives. I share the following story about knowing what is important and what is not.

"One of the most dangerous jobs in the war was sailing in convoys; and the worst danger of all was sailing in the convoys bound for Russia, for then, if a ship was torpedoed, a man perished quickly in the icy waters, unless help came at once...One day a chaplain came to a man who was sailing in those convoys and asked him for any special impressions...there must be something that you will remember all your life." "Yes," said the man, "there is something, or rather, there are two things that I shall always remember. The first is the sound of men's voices in the sea at night, when you can't stop to pick them up... and the other is the sound of people's voices complaining in the shops at home."

We have been given the gift of reason and the gift of faith. Together these gifts enable us to be the creatures God has created and called us to be. May we continue to listen, stop wherever and whenever need be the business of our lives and schedules, and BE the people we are to be. Not only may we know the difference between what is important and what is not, but may we also act out this difference.



Bees live in almost every part of the world except the North and South Poles.

## New pastors introduced at First Baptist Church of Lowell

The First Baptist Church of Lowell is happy to announce the addition of their two new pastors. A special Installation Service was held September 28, 1997. MARBC state representative Rev. Maynard Belt gave the charge to both the church and the pastors.

The new pastor/teacher is Dr. Gary Hauck. Dr. Hauck is a graduate of Moody and Dallas Theological Seminary in Dallas, Texas. He has two doctoral degrees from California Graduate School of Theology. He is currently working on his doctor of education degree from Michigan State University and should have the necessary work completed in December of this year.

Dr. Hauck was a teacher at Baptist Bible College in Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania. He served as chaplain in the US Army. Most recently Dr. Hauck was the Senior Pastor of Berean Baptist Church in Grand Rapids. He also currently teaches at the Grand Rapids Seminary, associated with Cornerstone College.

Dr. Hauck and his wife Lois have four children: Heidi, Greg, Andrew and Jared. They reside in Grand Rapids.

The new Pastor of Ministries is Rev. W. Lee Taylor. Pastor Taylor is a graduate of Grand Rapids Baptist College and Grand Rapids Baptist Seminary. After three years in the USMC as a sgt., attached to the Marine Security State Dept., Washington, D.C., he returned to Grand Rapids and worked for



From left to right: Rev. Maynard Belt, MARBC state representative, Dr. Gary Hauck, Pastor Lee Taylor and Tom Ritchie, chairman of the board.

K.I.S.D. writing the local and state "Close-up" program for four years. Pastor Taylor has served 23 years in churches in Grand Rapids, Cedar Springs and Middleville before coming to Lowell. He was state Teen Bible Conf. chairman for five years, a con-

ference attended by over 1,000 teens each year. Most recently he was administrator of Emanuel Baptist Christian School in Toledo, Ohio. Pastor Taylor and his wife Beverly have five children: Kim, Chris, Heather, Pam,

and Deb. They currently reside in Caledonia, but plan to move into the Lowell area in the near future.

October 26 is Pastor Appreciation Sunday. The community is invited to join in welcoming our new pastors.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

OCT. 23 - Bill Stouffer, Melody Kastanek, Lyle Morrison, Rachael McIntyre.

OCT. 25 - Diane Pretzel, Bill Ellison.

OCT. 26 - Ray Jones, Mike Ray, Thomas Cook, Kait Cummings.

OCT. 27 - George Cook, Tim VanLaan.

OCT. 28 - Aaron Stencil, Bonnie Essich.

OCT. 29 - Tammy Barber, Al Mulder, Tracey Johnson, John Butler Jr.



Most bats spend the daylight hours hanging upside down.

# Viewpoint



cozy corner  
by Roger Brown

John Denver's recent, untimely death dominated the news for a couple of days. The incident also spurred its share of morbid jokes, one of which I heard on the radio. It went, "What was John Denver's last big hit?" After you've scrolled your memory banks for titles such as "Take Me Home West Virginia," "Rocky Mountain High," "Annie's Song," etc., you are told the correct answer is the Pacific Ocean. Sick.

Being a John Denver fan these days is about as "cool" as wearing a leisure suit. However, I do have to admit I like his work, I liked him and was saddened by his death. I took some comfort in the fact he bit the big one while doing something he dearly loved. He really went out with a splash. If he'd died slowly and quietly of something as mundane as prostate cancer, I doubt the news media would have given his death much more than a mention.

One of the details dredged up by the media was the fact Denver was flying with an expired medical certificate. Once you have a pilot's license, you never have to renew it, but it's not valid unless accompanied by a medical certificate, which is good for two years. Also, every two years a pilot must seek out a Certified Flight Instructor to enter a Biennial Flight Review (B.F.R.) endorsement in his log book. The B.F.R. is an oral exam and flight test aimed at determining the pilot's competency. I never heard whether Denver had a current B.F.R. endorsement.

All of this means nothing to most people, but it did prompt me to check the dates of my own B.F.R. and medical certificate. My B.F.R. is good until next August. Cool. I knew my medical expired in the fall, and could have sworn I just went

through the ordeal of an exam last year. However, upon checking, I found my last exam was November 10, 1995. This meant my medical expires December first of this year. As Homer Simpson would say, "D'oh!" Amazing how time flies when you're having fun. Or, getting older and older. I'm not sure which is the case.

I scheduled an appointment with an F.A.A. approved doctor and went in for my exam yesterday. I checked out pretty good for an old guy. My weight was up eight pounds, but I'd left my shoes on. This meant my height was up an inch, so that's an even trade off. Heart, lungs, reflexes, prostate, blood pressure, etc. all checked out okay. I even passed the old turn your head and cough routine. I hate physicals!

The hearing test didn't go so well. It seems I have some high frequency hearing impairment in my right ear. Nothing serious, just something I really didn't want to hear, pardon the pun. My left ear checked out fine, except the doctor discovered a big gob of hardened earwax in there. I have to use a dissolving oil for several days, then have it flushed. This is kinda neat. With my left ear plugged with partially dissolved wax and the oil, and my right ear deaf to high pitched noises, I can't hear whiners at all.

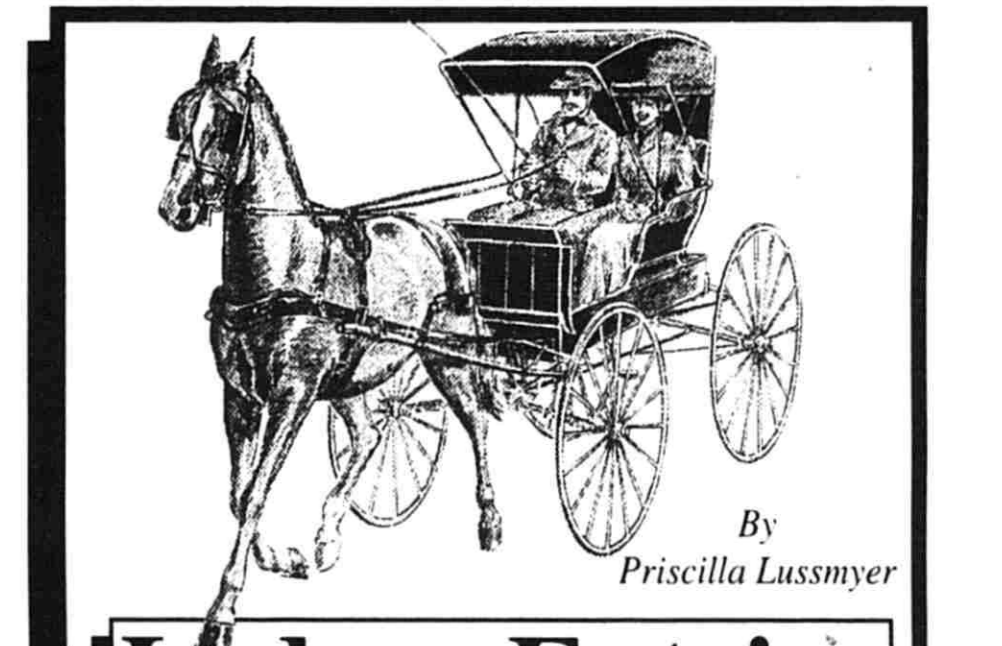
The big blow to my ego was the vision test. For years I've aced that exam with 20/20 plus eyesight. I have taken a bit of pride in the fact my eyesight has remained strong even as I approach fifty. In fact, I've been a bit of a chump about it when around friends my age who are buying drugstore "cheaters" to read with, getting bifocals, holding menus out as far as they can reach, etc. I've been fond of saying, "Everything else is going to hell, but at least my eyes are still good!" Well, guess I'm going to have to change my tune.

For the vision test the nurse had me put my face in the usual contraption. Color blindness...piece of cake. Peripheral vision...duck soup. Near vision...read the bottom lines for 20/15, both eyes, left eye, right eye. Far vision... read the 20/20 line both eyes, left eye...right eye...whoa! I adjusted myself in the contraption. I blinked a few times. I looked away, then back again. I tried everything, but all the little horseshoe shaped things pointing in different directions just looked like circles

until I worked halfway back up the chart. I tested 20/50 for far vision in my right eye. 20/40 is acceptable. Again, "D'oh!!!"

Now I have to go to an optometrist on Thursday for further testing and a prescription for glasses if necessary. I'm really in for it from all the people, my wife included, who I've been poking fun at for years. What goes around, comes around...and it's headed straight for me!

If I do need glasses, I've already decided on the style. You know those goofy little round wire rims John Denver always wore. You got it, that's what I'm ordering. They'll be my John Denver tribute glasses. If he hadn't crashed with an expired medical, I probably never would have checked mine, and wouldn't have discovered I need glasses for another year. You might be saying, "Big deal. What's a year?" Well, when you get to be my age, a year is a very big deal! I'm tellin' you, this gettin' old business ain't for sissies.



By Priscilla Lusmyer

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

### 100 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL LEDGER - OCT. 21, 1897

Houseman and Jones offers a free railroad fare to the Grand Rapids Carnival next week in return for a \$10 purchase.

Page 2 feature this week: "Items of Interest - Pungent Paragraphs Picked Promiscuously."

The owner of the Alton flour mill decides not to buy a gasoline engine to replace the failing water power, so the mill will close.

Wm. Pullen's house is being lighted by the power plant; also his store. J.E. Lee is thinking of connecting his place of business with his farm by telephone.

State law requires placement of fish chutes in all dams.

### 75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER & THE ALTO SOLO - OCT. 26, 1922

Michigan Agricultural College plus County Agent Keats Vining will open a campaign in November for farmers to improve dairying and raise more alfalfa. Meetings will be held on farms.

The sixth victim of moonshine liquor in the area this year dies in Vergennes.

Teachers Institute in Grand Rapids this Thursday and Friday.

Lieut. R.L. Maughan, U.S. army pilot, shatters all records at Selfridge Field and flies at 248.5 mph.

Great Britain pays a first installment of \$50 million on its war debt to the U.S.

### 50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - OCT. 23, 1947

The high school Driver Training program gets underway with teacher Charles B. White's attendance at a Driver-Training Institute at Bay City.

Auto registration certificates will now be mailed out by the state, instead of drivers filling one out each year at the Dept. of State offices. Should be much faster with fewer errors.

Lowell Airport, with land donated by C.H. Runciman and L.W. Rutherford, is designated a Class I airport by state inspectors. Richard Lampkin is the manager and the state has approved training under the GI bill. Classes will start next week.

Inflation has struck with the post-war years, and state officials are trying to plan necessary tax hikes without doing them in 1948, an election year.

### 25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER-SUBURBAN LIFE - OCT. 19, 1972

Police chief Barry Emmons gets council support to ask the schools, especially the middle school, to restrict students to campus during noon hour.

South Pleasant Street area folks are having problems with dogs running at large; some bites too. Police are cracking down.

Two letters to the editor point out unacceptable behavior of students at the Homecoming game.

The Flat River Snowmobile Club's Ecology Day roadside trash pickup on M-21 yields three pickup loads over the seven miles.

## TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor -

I don't agree with the writer of the letter to the editor who fails to see justification in spending money for welcome signs. First of all, the writer has mixed apples with oranges in assuming that this money could be spent for computers in the schools. This is the taxpayers' obligation! These benefactors did not leave the city these bequests to lower taxes for school purposes. They left the money for projects that the city could not afford or would be a burden on the taxpayers.

To answer the writer's question further — yes, I would say the Look Memorial Fund was meant to be used to appease the "vanity" of the citizens of Lowell, as long as the money is spent wisely. Don't blame the Look Committee or the city council as they have both done extremely well in financing projects to benefit our community.

Another thing, it is the writer's opinion that the citizens of Lowell would think this is a frivolous expense. I do not. Further, to belittle an individual in saying "If he wants the signs, he should donate the monies himself to have his wish come true," how about the writer of the letter donating monies for school computers? It makes as much sense.

The writer should inform himself of what does go on in Lowell. The city of Lowell, by action of the council, annually makes a contribution in kind to our local YMCA. And further, don't tell me how strapped the teachers are in our schools! If a teacher wishes to spend their own money, which most of them do, on certain things pertaining to their class, this is their personal decision. Yes, the city of Lowell would benefit by

welcome signs. We have had them in the past, now how about the future.

Charles R. Doyle

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to the Town Talk question in the October 8 issue. The question asked was concerning the Detroit Red Wings and if it was felt that they could repeat their Championship. Did you notice all of the people interviewed were of the male persuasion?

Am I to assume you feel women have no interest or opinions on sports, or is it acting on instinct to ask men about it rather than women?

I believe maybe you should widen not only your sample of people interviewed, but also your minds! Please include the opinions of all society and not just one gender.

This question should be asked again, but this time to women so we can get a more balanced view on sports.

Sandie Ross

Dear Editor:

After reading Lynn Seese's letter in the Ledger, I felt I should let people know that I also have a pet that has been shot. Her front leg was fractured in several places and had shot pellets in it. Her leg was so badly injured that it had to be amputated.

What kind of a person could bring so much pain and suffering to a small 5 1/2 pound defenseless animal?

Ann Jankowski

private sector of our economy. Privatization has become a popular mantra for many, with some proclaiming its benefits and others equating it was a swear word.

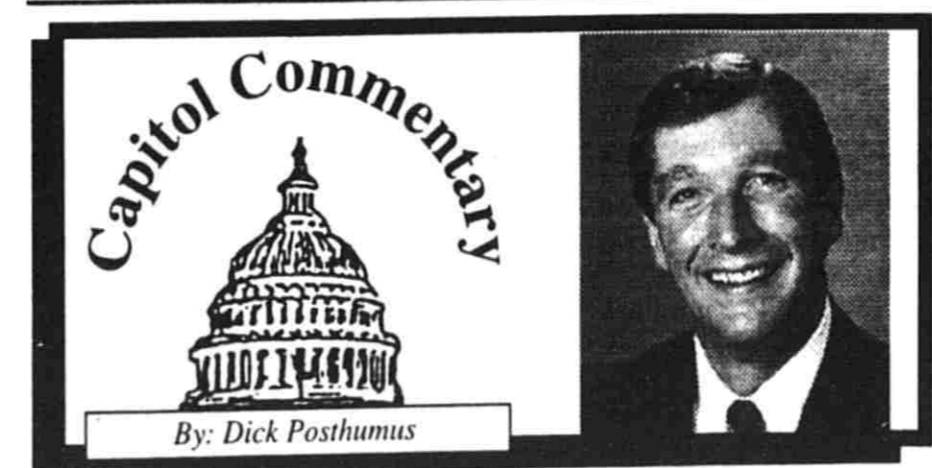
Two concerns could motivate the lashing out against this paradigm shift in state and local government. One could be a concern for public employees whose lives are affected when a service is farmed out to a private company. It's necessary to sympathize with any group of workers who are displaced from a job and face the uncertainties that come with change.

That's why we have unemployment compensation and a host of other services, both public and private, to help them find new jobs.

The other motivation could be more selfish, however. A mind set has developed among public sector employees that government has been established to give them work. And they oppose anything that disturbs that position. Self-interest is understandable.

But, that's not why government at any level exists. What's important that the citizens of Michigan are sensitive to the criticisms of the privatization of governmental services that are expressed during public debate, especially by those who are public employees.

To help put these concerns in perspective, it's important to look at the motivation for striking out against a movement where many governmental services are being restored to the



By: Dick Posthumus

### POSTHUMUS' ARTICLE

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<p><b>EVERGREEN MISSIONARY CHURCH</b> 10501 Settlemore • P. 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 897-5648 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.....7:00 P.M. Pastor Ken Ford (Home) 897-6418 YOU ARE WELCOME!</p>	<p><b>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> (United Church of Christ) 404 North Hudson • 897-5906 Worship and Church School.....10:00 A.M. Dr. Roger LaWare.....Pastor Louise Weeks.....Interim Christian Ed Director 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>
<p><b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> 2275 West Main Street Sun. Worship Service.....9:30 A.M. &amp; 6:00 P.M. Sunday School Hour.....11:00 A.M. Contact Church Office For Prayer Meeting Times 897-7168</p>			



# Health

With Drs. Paul Gauthier, Jim Lang & Donette Bish



## PNEUMONIA

We are already starting to see an increase in the number of pneumonia cases this fall. Pneumonia is still a major cause of hospitalization and is responsible for about 40,000 deaths annually in the United States.

Pneumonia is an infection of the lungs caused by a virus or bacteria. Pneumonia frequently follows a cold or the flu so it is more common in the fall and winter months. The infection can occur at any age, but it is more common in older patients, people with chronic respiratory problems, and smokers.

Symptoms of pneumonia usually include a fever, cough, shortness of breath, generalized aching, chest pain, and malaise. It may be difficult to distinguish bronchitis from pneumonia, but the symptoms of pneumonia are generally more

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ever the level, federal, state or local, government does not exist for the sake of the workers. Government exists to be a servant and not be served.

Let's look at the specific examples of privatization sometimes cited as failures.

One was the state's sale of the Accident Fund of Michigan, the state's largest workers' compensation insurer. It was a historic moment when the state got out of the insurance business by awarding the sale of the insurer to Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan for a hefty profit of \$291 million to the state of Michigan.

The score sheet shows a net gain for the state and for employees of the Accident Fund who were shifted from a public payroll to a private one. Where's the problem? The size of government has been reduced and the state treasury got a sizable one-time boost.

Liquor privatization has been cited. The state has served as a middleman in the sale of liquor for decades. If bars and retail stores wanted these alcohol products, they had to buy them from the state or they didn't buy them. The state was the sole source of supply.

What Gov. John Engler proposed and the Legislature adopted was partial privatization for the sale of liquor. The state divested itself of many activities, but stayed around to act as price setter and tax collector on each bottle sold.

The state still collects more than \$80 million each year in taxes on the liquor products sold here. Many have said the state should have completely privatized liquor distribution, including the setting of prices, leaving it to free market to adjust.

When looking at public policy changes like the privatization of public services, they should be examined in terms of their total impact.

State employees may lose their jobs to private organizations who can do it for less. However, when privatization is done right, precious resources are then freed up to be spent in some other life improving way - tax cuts, safer roads or better schools, for instance.

The most basic proposition in our economic system is that resources are scarce. If they weren't, we wouldn't need to talk of privatization, budgets or government because they wouldn't be necessary. All wants would be satisfied.

That's just not the reality that we live in.

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Many in this world run after felicity like an absent man hunting for his hat, while all the time it is on his head or in his hand.

—Sydney Smith

# LEGAL EASE

By Jonathan David



## DEAR JONATHAN:

I recently paid off a land contract and the seller gave me a quit-claim deed transferring the title to my name. However, I noticed after receiving the deed that the land contract required the seller to give me a warranty deed. Is the quit-claim deed sufficient or should I go back to the seller and ask for a warranty deed?

**JONATHAN SAYS:** You should go back to the seller and require him to give you a warranty deed. Not only is this required by the contract but there is a big difference between a quit-claim deed and a warranty deed. A quit-claim deed only conveys the seller's interest in the property and nothing more. There are no warranties of title included with a quit-claim deed.

A warranty deed, on the other hand, contains warranties of title. In this deed, the seller warrants to the buyer that the title to the property is fully vested in the seller, that with the deed

he is transferring that interest and that the buyer is receiving clear title to the property.

In addition to requiring the seller to give you a warranty deed, you should require the seller to give you, at the seller's cost, a policy of title insurance or if there is already title insurance in place, then a title search to make sure that the seller has not encumbered the property since you purchased it on land contract. Further, you will want to make sure that the seller pays the transfer tax which will be due at the time the warranty deed is recorded at the register of deed's office. There is both a county and state transfer tax that is imposed at the time the property is transferred. The combined transfer tax rate for the county and state is \$8.60 per \$1,000 or fraction thereof of value. For example, if the property is valued at \$100,000, then the combined transfer tax imposed by the county and the state will be \$860.

**DEAR JONATHAN:** I have agreed to loan some money to a friend for which she will sign a promissory note. How much interest am I allowed to charge on this loan?

**JONATHAN SAYS:** It depends on what the loan will be used for by your friend but generally speaking the legal rate of interest in Michigan is 7% per annum unless there is an applicable exception. One such exception would be if your friend has a business purpose for the loan and signed an affidavit to that effect. If the loan is to be used for personal purposes, however, then you should stick with the legal rate.

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severe. A chest X-ray is often needed to diagnose pneumonia.

Once the diagnosis of pneumonia is made, treatment usually consists of antibiotics and rest. The elderly and patients with more severe symptoms may need to be hospitalized. Antibiotics will usually be prescribed for a couple of weeks and it may take several weeks for pneumonia to completely resolve. If an antibiotic is prescribed, you should be sure to take the entire amount even if you are feeling better before the antibiotic is gone.

Many cases of pneumonia could be prevented with the

pneumonia vaccine. This vaccine is given once only - unlike the flu vaccine which is given annually - and appears to provide protection for several years. The current recommendations are for all patients with chronic respiratory illnesses and everyone over the age of 65 to receive the vaccine. Unfortunately, the pneumonia vaccine is probably one of the most underutilized weapons we have to prevent this illness. Estimates are that less than 20 percent of individuals who could benefit from this vaccine actually have received it.

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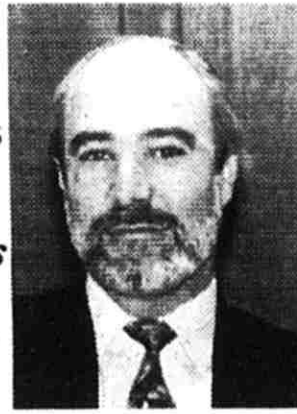
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# CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

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

For the Regular Meeting of MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1997.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Thompson and the Deputy City Clerk called the Roll. Present: Councilmembers Green, Hodges, Myers, Shores and Mayor Thompson. Absent: None.

Also Present: City Manager David Pasquale, Deputy City Clerk Betty Morlock, Chief of Police James Valentine, Director of Public Works Daniel DesJarden, and City Planning Commissioners Daniel Brubaker and Gordon Barry.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES that the minutes of the September 15, 1997 meeting be approved as written.

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

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

YEA: Councilmembers Green, Hodges, Myers, Shores and Mayor Thompson.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

### BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (10/06/97)

GENERAL FUND .....	\$74,276.28
WASTEWATER FUND .....	28,850.63
EQUIPMENT FUND .....	6,768.51
LOCAL STREET FUND .....	4,363.12
AIRPORT FUND .....	15.97
DATA PROCESSING FUND .....	1,962.72
BUILDING AND SITE FUND .....	11,801.40
CURRENT TAX FUND .....	5,295.63
WATER FUND .....	4,668.84
DDA FUND .....	2,105.67
MAJOR STREET FUND .....	41,793.87

**Item #1. RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION - ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS REGARDING FLAGS, BANNERS AND SIGNS - ADOPT OR ESTABLISH A PUBLIC HEARING.** Shortly after the adoption of the new zoning ordinance on April 1, 1996, a subcommittee of the Planning Commission composed of Dan Brubaker, Gordon Barry and Dan Pipe was formed to address the issue of flags, banners and some general provisions of the sign ordinance.

The draft was reviewed by City Attorney Richard Wendt and discussed with the Planning Commission. A public hearing was held at September 22, 1997 Commission meeting. After some minor modifications, it was recommended unanimously for adoption.

Commissioner Brubaker stated that several committee meetings were held, including those with representation from residents and local merchants to discuss revisions to the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to flags, banners and signs.

In Section 20.04.1, it states "flags (other than those used for governmental identification) streamers, pennants and other similar devices are not permitted". Under the current Zoning Ordinance, no flags, pennants, banners or windsocks are allowed as interpreted. There is one exemption in Section 20.05.J, which exempts "flags or insignia of any nation, state, city, community organization, or educational institution". It does state that the flag cannot be any larger than 5' X 8'. Further, no more than one such flag would be permitted on each parcel or land for every 20 linear feet of street frontage. This applies in all districts.

Some felt that these provisions should be left alone because of opposition to flags, banners and pennants, primarily on aesthetic grounds. The local business representatives believed that flags, banners and pennants should be permitted so long as these are kept presentable. They felt that these devices draw attention to businesses and contribute to their success.

Brubaker also highlighted other proposed amendment changes throughout the ordinance.

Councilmember Green questioned what would restrict a business from having a large 24' X 36' American flag. Brubaker responded that if a flag of that size is proposed, it would have to count toward the total signage. Otherwise, any flag over 5' X 8' would require a variance.

Mayor Thompson commended the committee and the Planning Commission for the excellent work on this issue. Brubaker was appreciative of all the help from the community. There was good attendance from all the meetings with residents as well as the businesses.

As in the past, Councilmember Shores stated that the Planning Commission had carried out an excellent job in revising this ordinance. However, she felt an additional public hearing should be held.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to establish a public hearing on Monday, October 20, 1997 to consider the adoption of the zoning ordinance amendment regarding flags, banners and signs.

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

**Item #2. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**  
**A. 2173 W. MAIN - TURN WEST - VARIANCE TO ALLOW A SIGN (HORSE FIGURE) ABOVE THE ROOF LINE OF THE BUILDING - ESTABLISH A PUBLIC HEARING (10/20).** Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman Shores stated that Bill Bolt had petitioned to have the horse figure on the roof of his building (2173 W. Main) for the Turn West store remain. The horse for purposes of the Zoning Ordinance is considered a roof sign. According to Section 20.04 K of the Ordinance, no sign shall be erected above the roof line of the building. Therefore, a variance had been requested.

At their regular meeting of September 22, 1997, the Planning Commission reviewed the request with Mr. Bolt's representative, John Wallace. The Commission recommended against the variance, based on the current ordinance having no regulation allowing signs to be hung from the roof of a building.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by THOMPSON to establish a public hearing for October 20, 1997 to consider a variance request from Bill Bolt to allow the horse figure on the roof of his building at 2173 W. Main for the Turn West store to remain.

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

**Item #3. ADOPTION OF ANTI-DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE POLICY.** In order to be in compliance with Federal and State regulations, an anti-drug and alcohol abuse policy for employees needs to be adopted. Specifically geared for those who hold commercial driver's licenses and other safety-sensitive positions, a random drug testing program is in place. Also, a complete administrative policy manual has been provided.

Dan DesJarden, Director of Public Works, stated Lowell would be combined with other municipalities so many names will be drawn out of the pool per year for testing conducted by an outside agency. If anyone in Lowell is selected, City Manager Pasquale or Director of Public Works DesJarden would be contacted concerning the date and time for testing. These persons would be informed no more than two hours prior to the test.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by HODGES to adopt the Anti-Drug and Alcohol Abuse Policy as presented.

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

**Item #4. BOUNDARY SIGNS PROPOSAL.** Through a committee composed of Planning Commissioners Barry and D'Agostino and Mayor Thompson, a proposal was assembled to provide boundary signs at East and West Main as well as North and South Hudson. This committee reviewed and provided locations, costs of signs and installation as well as landscaping, and types of signs to be proposed. These signs were designed by DeRuiter Woodcrafts with the entire project estimated to cost approximately \$8,255.

Commissioner Barry stated that a company from Wisconsin was contacted for a proposal. This firm was approximately \$1500 higher than DeRuiter in addition to shipping charges. DeRuiter also designed the cemetery signs as well as the entrance signs for the City of Kentwood.

The Planning Commission reviewed and recommended approval of the proposal at their September 22, 1997 meeting. In previous discussions, it was believed that the Look Memorial Fund Committee would be an excellent source for funding. Mayor Thompson stated his desire to have the Look Memorial Fund name placed on the signs. This was provided on the City of Kentwood signs with the Jaycees, in recognition for their work.

Councilmember Shores suggested that the Historic District Commission review the proposals before the project is finalized. Mayor Thompson wanted to approach Lowell Light and Power to consider installing lights at each sign if possible.

By consensus, the City Council approved the boundary signs proposal.

**Item #5. PURCHASE OF OFFICE WORK STATIONS.** Two work stations have been proposed along the east wall of the Council Chambers in the City Hall to house the State mandated Qualified Voter File computer and printer as well as an area for the PC/Scanning system. This would be a cubicle arrangement that provides flexible work area, more professional image and additional space for staff. Panels will be purchased with storage bins and table tops. Existing files and chairs would be utilized. This design would leave sufficient room for meeting space in the Council Chambers.

Doris Titcombe had contacted several vendors about purchase of work stations. The low quote was received from Kentwood Office Interiors of \$2,700 for the materials with the City staff performing the installation.

Deputy City Clerk Betty Morlock stated that the County is purchasing a computer and printer for the State mandated Qualified Voter File program. This computer must be only used for voter registration and elections.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by HODGES to approve the purchase of the two work stations from Kentwood Office Interiors for \$2,700, allocated from the General Office Equipment account.

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

**Item #6. AMENDMENT TO ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE WEST MAIN SIDEWALK PROJECT.** When sidewalks along M-21 were originally proposed, it was thought that the walks could be constructed using the existing grade. But as the design work started, the Kent County Road Commission, which administers and reviews permits on behalf of the State, required that the sidewalks be raised above the crown of the road. This did complicate the design of McNamee, Porter and Seeley and the amount of time spent on construction engineering. Because of this, it raised their cost from \$8,100 to \$11,900.

Mayor Thompson inquired the reason for the sidewalks being raised above the crown of the road. Director of Public Works DesJarden stated mainly because of drainage. Councilmember Green asked if the drainage would impact the property owners and parking lots. DesJarden responded no, it would not impact the property owners or their parking lots.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by GREEN to approve the adjustment on the contract from McNamee, Porter and Seeley for sidewalk engineering along M-21 of \$11,900 from \$8,100.

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

**Item #7. LAWN CARE BIDS.** The City received bids on October 1, 1997 for lawn care maintenance for the years 1998 and 1999. Of the two bids received, TruGreen-Chemlawn provided the lowest price of \$17,248.00 per year. An increase in cost was noted from the previous two years because of the addition of the Water and Wastewater Treatment plants, the new library, Burch Field and six areas for tree/shrub applications.

# Renaissance Festival to be created by Creative Anachronism

Something or someone that exists out of its own time, something from a former age existing in the present - that is an anachronism, and that describes the members of a group who dress in Renaissance clothing and come together on a regular basis to practice Renaissance skills. At 7 p.m. on Saturday, October 25, this group, the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA), will recreate a Renaissance festival in the hallway outside of the Lowell Performing Arts Center as part of the program being sponsored by the Lowell Area Arts Council.

The members of the SCA are Grand Rapids-area residents interested in the crafts, customs, clothing, weaponry, music, dance, and heraldry of the Medieval and Renaissance eras. They enjoy sharing their skills with the public and, until recently, have been staging performances and demonstrations on a regular basis at North Kent Mall. The performance at Lowell High School will be their first demonstration in the Lowell area. Some of the crafts they will demonstrate will be weaving, spinning, embroidery, costumery, weaponry, and hercraft.

The Renaissance festival is the opening portion of a program called *Reveal Perugino: A Renaissance Revelry*. The program is being held by the LAAC in conjunction with the exhibition of the works of Pietro Perugino at the Grand Rapids Art Museum. The October 25th program begins with the festival. The SCA finishes their portion of the program with a fencing demonstration on the stage of the Performing Arts Center. Following that, a Punch and Judy show will be presented by Master Arts Theater. The final act will be Quodlibet,

an early music ensemble performing Renaissance music on authentic instruments.

Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens. Tickets are available afternoons from the Lowell



Two Society for Creative Anachronism members fencing in a Renaissance Fair.

# Township transfers lot from Englehardt Trust

By Emma Palova  
Contributing Writer

It's more viable to the township than anybody else. We could plant some flowers there."

With these words, Lowell Charter Township supervisor John Timpson accepted the transfer of Sept. 10 of an acre lot south of the railroad and north of Grand River Drive. "Everybody uses that as a storage lot," he said.

The transfer of the property from the Harold J. Englehardt Trust is to be accomplished at no cost to the township. The property is the last, non-liquid asset remaining in the trust.

The late longtime Lowell resident and major benefactor Harold Englehardt always viewed money as a way of helping people. The former president and CEO of FMB State Savings Bank donated a generous gift of \$380,000 toward the new library's construction, which bears his name.

# CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by SHORES to award contract to TruGreen Chemlawn for lawn care maintenance during the years 1998-99 at a cost of \$17,248.00 per year.

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

**Item #8. MOWING BIDS.** The City also received bids on October 1, 1997 for mowing of parks and public areas. Of the six bids received, Huisman Property Maintenance of Alto was the low at \$ 11,520 per year for 1998 and 1999. It was noted that the current cost was \$ 14,448 per year, which is \$3,000 less than the Huisman bid.

DPW Director DesJarden did review the bids as well as checked references, recommending the bid from Huisman Property Maintenance.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to award contract to Huisman Property Maintenance of \$11,520 per year for 1998 and 1999 to mow the parks and public areas.

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

**Item #9. CITIZENS COMMENTS.** None received.

**Item #10. COUNCIL COMMENTS.** Councilmember Shores felt the Michigan Municipal League Convention held in Muskegon was informative and enjoyed the opportunity to attend.

Councilmember Myers inquired if the self-contained shrimp sales van located at the southwest corner of West Main and Hudson received a transient merchant permit. City Manager Pasquale responded that a permit was issued. Mayor Thompson asked if the sign requirements were met.

Chief of Police Valentine stated that the signage issue had not been addressed. City Manager Pasquale mentioned that Zoning Administrator Pat Hudson could review this issue.

Councilmember Green read a letter of thanks to Paul Christman at Lowell Cable TV for broadcasting "Stand in the Gap. A Sacred Assembly" on Saturday, October 4. He also thanked Frank Taber for his extra work to ensure that the broadcast was received.

Green also wanted to publicly thank his wife, Lynn, for eighteen years of marriage and thank the Lord for giving her to him.

Councilmember Hodges also commented his enjoyment and the excellent content of information given at the

Michigan Municipal League Convention. Hodges had an opportunity to walk along the new and old Bowes Road and was very pleased with the project so far.

Mayor Thompson mentioned that the City of Lowell did receive a First Place Municipal Achievement Award for the Harold and Mildred Englehardt Public Library project from the Michigan Municipal League.

**Item #11. MANAGER'S REPORT.** City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:

A. Lowell Light and Power requested that the City Council adopt a proclamation recognizing October 5-11 as Public Power Week.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by MYERS to adopt the proclamation recognizing October 5-11, 1997 as Public Power Week.

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

B. The City recently received a Federal COPS grant that enables us to hire another full time Police Officer. After conducting written exams and oral interviews with interested part time officers, Sandy Lee was selected for the position, starting on September 29.

Sandy is a 1989 Hastings High School and 1993 Grand Rapids Community College graduate. She has served as a part time officer with the City since September, 1995 and also a permanent part time capacity since December, 1996. Sandy also has had experience with several other law enforcement agencies including the Village of Lake Odessa.

Sandy is the first full time female officer to be employed with the City.

Mayor Thompson asked what the process was in hiring a police officer. Chief of Police Valentine stated that the written exam counts for 30%. The oral interview, which is about 40 to 60 minutes of questions on the laws and its applications is 70%. The oral board consists of three police chiefs from outside of the area.

C. After the September 17 meeting on the proposed swimming pool issue, School Superintendent Bert Bleke, Vergennes Supervisor Jim Cook, Lowell Township Supervisor John Timpson, Gil Wise of Vergennes and myself met to review the issue. A proposed process was developed from this meeting on how to consider this issue. It was felt that a study group of all affected jurisdictions, as well as from the YMCA should be formed to provide a recommendation to all governing boards.

At this point, the Council was asked if there was interest in this effort and to consider appointing two Councilmembers as representatives from the City for this study committee in the very near future. This committee would spend a minimum of six to seven months analyzing the issues such as financing and location to report back to the respective boards.

By consensus, the Council expressed interest in participating on the study group process for the swimming pool.

D. Copies of the August 25, 1997 Planning Commission meeting minutes were provided.

At the September 22 meeting, the Commission set a public hearing date of October 27 to consider a recommendation of a Sexually Oriented Business Regulation Ordinance.

E. The City is considering filing an application to the Michigan Municipal League to establish a "Building A Sense of Place" project. This provides an integrated, computer based community land information system. It requires cooperation from area communities and organizations. At this time some alternate means of financing are being reviewed for the requirement of \$20,000 locally needed to be contributed. The Council will be updated on information as it is received.

F. Arnold DeLoof (829 N. Jefferson) had requested the removal of a maple tree which is adjacent to his retaining wall. The tree is located in the City right of way. As required by City policy, such requests are brought before the City Council for review.

G. With the Qualified Voter File system being conducted by the State, it has been brought to our attention of staff concerning the problems with Lincoln Lake Road. It has also been considered a public safety issue. Between the City and Vergennes Township, several addresses overlap each other as well as two being identical. Staff is exploring ideas on how to handle this problem.

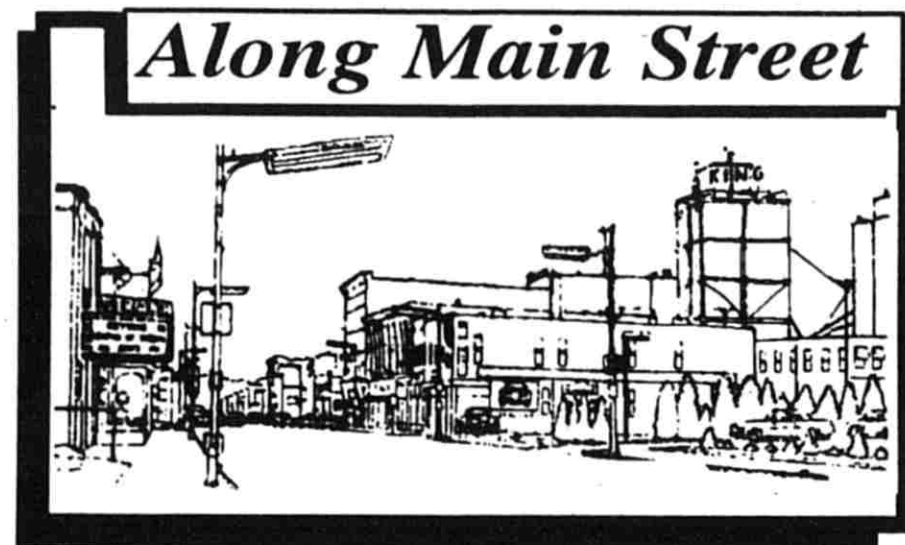
**Item #12. APPOINTMENTS.** Mayor Thompson appointed Jim Mygaard (413 N. Washington) to a vacant position on the Lowell Airport Board until January 1, 2000. In his letter of interest Mygaard stated that he is a private pilot and former president of a flying club which operated from the Grand Rapids International Airport from 1983 to 1990.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 8:30 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: Monday, October 22

William F. Thompson, Mayor  
David M. Pasquale, City Clerk





**LMS PRESENTS "INTERNAL TEEN MACHINE"**  
The Lowell Middle School eighth-grade drama class will present the fantasy adventure, *Internal Teen Machine* on Thursday evening, October 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the LMS cafeteria, 750 Foreman. Don't miss this free evening of entertainment.

**PREGAME FOOTBALL TICKET SALES**  
Pregame ticket sales for the East Grand Rapids vs. Lowell varsity football game on Friday, Oct. 24 will go on sale on Friday only in the Lowell High School athletic office. The cost is \$3 for students and adults. Tickets will be sold between the hours of 7 a.m. and 3 p.m.

**LOWELL COMMUNITY EDUCATION CLASSES**  
Lowell Community Ed will offer coed regulation volleyball on Tuesday evenings starting October 21 - January 20 from 7 to 9 p.m. The fee is \$10 for 12 weeks.

## Gypsy Moth, cont'd... From Page 2

The county has identified in the past nine 40-acre parcels in Lowell Charter Township that are infested. Those areas include parcels on Timpson Avenue and 36th St., Emery Drive and Alden Nash Avenue.

The areas have between 35 and 96 egg masses in a 40-acre parcel. In order to qualify for assistance in funding of the suppression program, you have to have at least 302 egg masses in a 40-acre parcel.

By agreeing to continued participation in the moth suppression program, the township is responsible for payment for administration to conduct the program timetable from September through December.

The total cost of \$11 per acre for municipalities with continued participation includes administrative and spray cost.



Goldfish have been reported to live over 50 years in China. A goldfish was reported to live 41 years in Great Britain.

Also offered is an active parenting course consisting of six, 2 1/2 hour sessions held October 28, November 4, 11, 18, 25 and December 2 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. The cost is \$25 per person/couple.

To sign up for any of the above, please call Lowell Community Education at 897-8235.

### YOUTH FOOTBALL MEETING

The end of the year youth football meeting and elections for next year will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 28 beginning at 7 p.m. in the middle school cafeteria. Call 897-5073 with questions.

### PARENT SUPPORT GROUP FOR G/T

There will be a parent support group for Gifted/Talented on Tuesday, Oct. 28, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the board room, 300 High St.

Guest speaker will be Jonathan Gamm, L.L.P., C.S.W. and the topic will be the emotional and social aspects of the gifted. R.S.V.P. to Kim at 897-6755.

## Hardship, continued... From Page 1

"It really doesn't give the store owner what he really wants," said planning commissioner Mike Blough, who was at the Monday night meeting.

Zoning Board of Appeals member Chuck Myers made the motion citing the city sees no undue hardship for Turn West by not having the sign. The Zoning Board of Appeals unanimously approved the motion.

Wallace said Bolt was seeking the variance request because his property sits back 440 feet from Fulton Street and is blocked from view by buildings and vegetation.

"Routinely, Mr. Bolt has been told by customers that it is difficult to find the place," Wallace said. "He is just trying to answer those concerns."

## United Way sets Dec. 2 for community fund deadline

The deadline to request funds from the Lowell Community Fund is noon on Tuesday, Dec. 2.

To receive consideration and approval, all requests must be for funds that will aid local organizations in providing help to persons in the Lowell area.

The Heart of West Michigan United Way has set the December date aside for those qualified to receive funding for 1998-99.

It has now implemented a two-year funding cycle, which means groups interested in receiving funds will submit a formal funding request every other year.

Request forms may be picked up at Dr. James Reagan's

### SPOOK HOUSE

The Lowell Fire Department will be having their annual spook house on Friday, Oct. 31 from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Look Memorial Fire Station on S. Hudson. Admission is free.

### CHRISTMAS THROUGH LOWELL

The sixth-annual Christmas Through Lowell will be held November 14, 15 and 16. Pick up your map at Cousins, Rupert's Drop or Creative Crafts Shop & Gifts, Inc.

### ARMISTICE DINNER

The annual Clark-Ellis American Legion and Auxiliary Armistice Day dinner will be at Schneider Manor Monday, Nov. 10 at 6 p.m. It will be a catered dinner and reservations must be made.

Please call 897-8258 or 897-8870 by November 5.

### VETERAN'S DAY DINNER

VFW Post #8303 and Auxiliary will hold a Veteran's Day spaghetti dinner on Saturday, Nov. 8 from 5-7:30 p.m. Adults, \$4.50; children, \$2.00. The Post is located at 307 E. Main St. Call 897-8625 or 897-9132 for further information.

City manager David Pasquale said part of the concern of the city staff was the fact that Bolt went ahead and put the horse up without even asking for input on whether it met city ordinances. As it turned out, Bolt was in violation of city ordinances with the matter first being brought before the Planning Commission, which recommended denial of the variance to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Wallace, at the meeting, said Bolt would consider alternative solutions to the signage problem and was open to alternative suggestions. Pasquale said city staff is always available for input on whether a solution is workable and would meet city ordinances.

office at 207 W. Main St. or at the main branch of Huntington Bank (formerly FMB), 414 E. Main St.

The formal request forms include a demographic data sheet on clients served, how funds from the previous year were spent and the annual budget for the organization requesting funds.

Since 1966 up through 1997, the Lowell Community Fund has dispersed \$127,036 into the community.

"It is important to note that this funding program is entirely separate from the Harold Englehardt funding program which is handled through the Grand Rapids Foundation," said Robert Reagan.

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The advantage of keeping family accounts is clear. If you do not keep them you are uneasily aware of the fact that you are spending more than you are earning. If you do keep them, you know it.  
—Robert Benchley

# LOWELL SCHOOL BOARD BRIEFS

## REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 13, 1997

**STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT** - Nate Schoen, Student Council President and Representative to the Board of Education, reported that the Homecoming was a big success. Things have quieted down at the high school after Homecoming.

**FFA PRESENTATION OF PLAQUES** - Pete Siler, FFA Advisor, introduced members of the FFA group who presented plaques to four area businesses who made substantial donations to the FFA group at the pig/sheep auction at the Kent County Youth Fair. Those businesses who received a plaque were: Huntington National Bank (formerly FMB), Ionia County National Bank, Michigan Wire Processing, and King Milling Co.

**YOUTH AMBASSADORS PRESENTATION** - Barb Pierce, high school counselor and Youth Ambassador advisor, introduced members of the Youth Ambassadors who gave an update of their activities. Youth Ambassadors is dedicated to the enhancement of human relationships between all diverse groups in our school system and community.

### ACTION ITEMS

- Approved the following gifts:
- Mrs. Marlene Landstra donation of golf clubs and bags valued at \$750 to be used by the Athletic Department to provide beginning players with equipment necessary to participate in the sport.
  - Mrs. Maureen Gruel donation of golf clubs, bags, and balls valued at \$250 to be used by the Athletic Department to provide beginning players with equipment necessary to participate in the sport.

### CONSENT ITEMS

Approved were:

- Minutes for September 8, 1997 Regular Meeting
- The following payment of bills:  
GENERAL FUND.....\$632,416.85  
SCHOOL SERVICES FUND  
A. Food Service Fund.....\$19,188.08  
B. Athletic Fund.....\$12,750.23  
TRUST AND AGENCY FUND.....\$16,813.37  
ENERGY & MAINTENANCE FUND...\$17,403.88  
1990 BOND FUND PROCEEDS.....\$32,347.79
- Approved the trip for FFA students to travel to Kansas City, Missouri to attend the National FFA Convention.
- Adopted the West Michigan Risk Management Trust resolution which names the position of Finance Manager and Insurance Benefits Coordinator to be voting members from the Lowell Area Schools.
- Adopted the resolution to proceed with Headlee Amendment Claims.

**AUDIT REPORT** - Board auditor, Phil Saurman, gave an extremely positive overview of the 1996-97 audit and the Board accepted the 1996-97 audit report.

**DEMOGRAPHICS UPDATE** - Dick Korb explained the reason for reconvening the district's Demographic Task force is to continue to look at the major issues facing Lowell Area Schools due to growth. The following four sub-committees will meet during the 1997-98 school year: Finance, Student Growth, Community Growth, and Facilities/Program.

### EDUCATION AND BUSINESS PLAN UPDATE

During the 1997-98 school year, the Board will receive a report

from each of the committees who produced the Education and Business Plan which was presented to the Board two years ago. Jim White and Mark Weber, committee members of the Vision Committee, reported on their committee's progress to date.

**FINANCE UPDATE** - Connie Gillette, Finance Manager, briefed the Board of the still unclear financial scenario from Lansing and the impact this is having on Lowell Area Schools.

**EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES OVERVIEW** - Pam Thomas, Educational Support Services Director, gave an overview of what her department is accomplishing for the students at Lowell Area Schools. The Educational Support Services Department actually is "specially designed education" for any student who needs a little extra.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** - Bert Bleke read a letter that was sent to Middle School and Bushnell Elementary parents and staff concerning an underground contamination problem. A parent/staff informational meeting is set for Monday, October 20, at the middle school regarding this situation. Bert mentioned the topic of a community swimming pool and that within the next 6-7 months, a study group will look at the possibility of a pool. An anonymous donor gave \$1,500 to the middle school for the homework hotline.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- Board Dialogue Session - Monday, October 27, 1997 - 7:30 p.m. Runciman Admin. Building - Board Room.
- Board of Education Meeting - Monday, November 10, 1997 - 7:30 p.m. Runciman Admin. Building - Board Room.

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# COMING EVENTS

Notices in The Ledger's "Coming Events" are free of charge to any non-profit organization in the Lowell, Ada, Alto, and Saranac area. We prefer such notices to be kept brief and to be submitted by mail, but will accept notices by phone at 897-9261.

**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, 8 p.m. at the Club building, 1400 Foreman Road, Lowell.

**EVERY TUES.NOTE CHANGE:** Support One Group for the single, separated and divorced, will not meet during the month of August. Meetings will resume on September 9.

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

**FIRST MONDAY:** Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) meets at the High School during lunch periods in the cafeteria for updates on coming events and information.

**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.

**EVERY MONDAY:** Senior men's golf club at Arrowhead. Tee time 1 p.m. Play 9 holes, walk or ride. For more information call Al at 897-7342.

**MONDAYS:** Overeaters Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 10305 Bluewater Hwy. 3 miles East of 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 Historical Museum at 84th and Alden Nash. 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 Washing-

**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 897-9310 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 SECOND WEDNESDAY:** G.F.W.C. Lowell Women's Club meets at noon in the community room at Schneider Manor, 725 Bowes Rd.

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**SECOND WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH:** 2 to 3:30 p.m., Family Council for the Laurels of Kent Nursing Home. This is a volunteer group formed to enhance the quality of life for all the residents. Interested persons are welcome to meet in the Activity Room, Wing "C."

**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 St. Lukes Lutheran Church, 32156 4-Mile N.E. (at the intersection of 4-Mile and the East Beltline), 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.

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

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

**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.

**EVERY SAT.** Lowell Amateur Radio Club sponsors the 145,270 - repeater which operates on a 24-hour basis. Also there is a Simplex Frequency 147.420 PL 186.2.

**WOMEN OF THE MOOSE:** Business meeting is held the third Monday of each month at 8 p.m.

**LOWELL AREA ARTS COUNCIL SUMMER HOURS:** 149 S. Hudson St. Hours: Tuesday thru Friday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Closed Saturdays, holidays & all holiday weekends. 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.

**ENGLEHARDT LIBRARY HOURS:** Monday & Wednesday, 1-8 p.m.; Tuesday & Friday, 1-5 p.m.; Thursday & Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. students. For more information about Cub Scouts and Pack 3188, call 897-8751.

**THURS., OCT. 23:** Keen Agers will meet at Vergennes Methodist Church at 10 a.m. Note the date change for this meeting. They will be planning for Thanksgiving dinner,

**SAT., NOV. 1 & SAT. DEC. 13:** (Nov. 1, 1-3:30 p.m. & Dec. 13, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.) Testing dates for the Snowmobile Home Study Course held at Flat River Snowmobile Club, 11841 Potters Rd. For more information contact the DNR at 456-5071.

**THURS., OCT. 23:** 3:30 p.m. Sr. Neighbors 25th Anniversary, YMCA.

**THURS., OCT. 23:** 8 a.m. Women's traveling breakfast.

**FRI., OCT. 24:** 12:30 p.m. Barnes & Noble bookstore.

**MON., OCT. 27:** 12:30 p.m. Mystery trip.

**THURS., OCT. 23:** 9:00 a.m. Walk and shop Woodland Mall. 9:30 a.m. craft time, 1 p.m. Euchre.

**FRI., OCT. 31:** 12:30 p.m. Gerontology Network.

Respectfully submitted by Colleen O'Brien, Transcriber



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## G&B "sales" pitch begins with watching, listening

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Don Calton learned a multitude of lessons prior to graduating from high school in 1981.

Today, as manager of G & B Sales clothing store, he applies three of the very basic lessons on a daily basis.

As a student, Calton says he heard over and over again to listen, watch and learn.

"To be competitive selling clothing, you must watch for what people are wearing, listen to what they want and apply what you've learned," Calton said.

In August, Calton's parents Gene and Betty opened the clothing store in downtown Lowell at 209 E. Main. It sells jackets, T-shirts, shirts (country prints, craft design and southwest design), sweatshirts, Carharts, sports clothing and jerseys. "These are top quality clothes at low prices," Calton said. "We opened the downtown store to provide customers easier access and more convenient parking."

Prior to opening the store on Main Street, G & B Sales was run from a building at 11147 Bluewater Highway (1 1/2 miles east of Lowell).

Don Calton now operates as a second-time-around shop. It sells antiques, appliances, tools, furniture and many other miscellaneous items or as Calton describes it "everything under the sun."

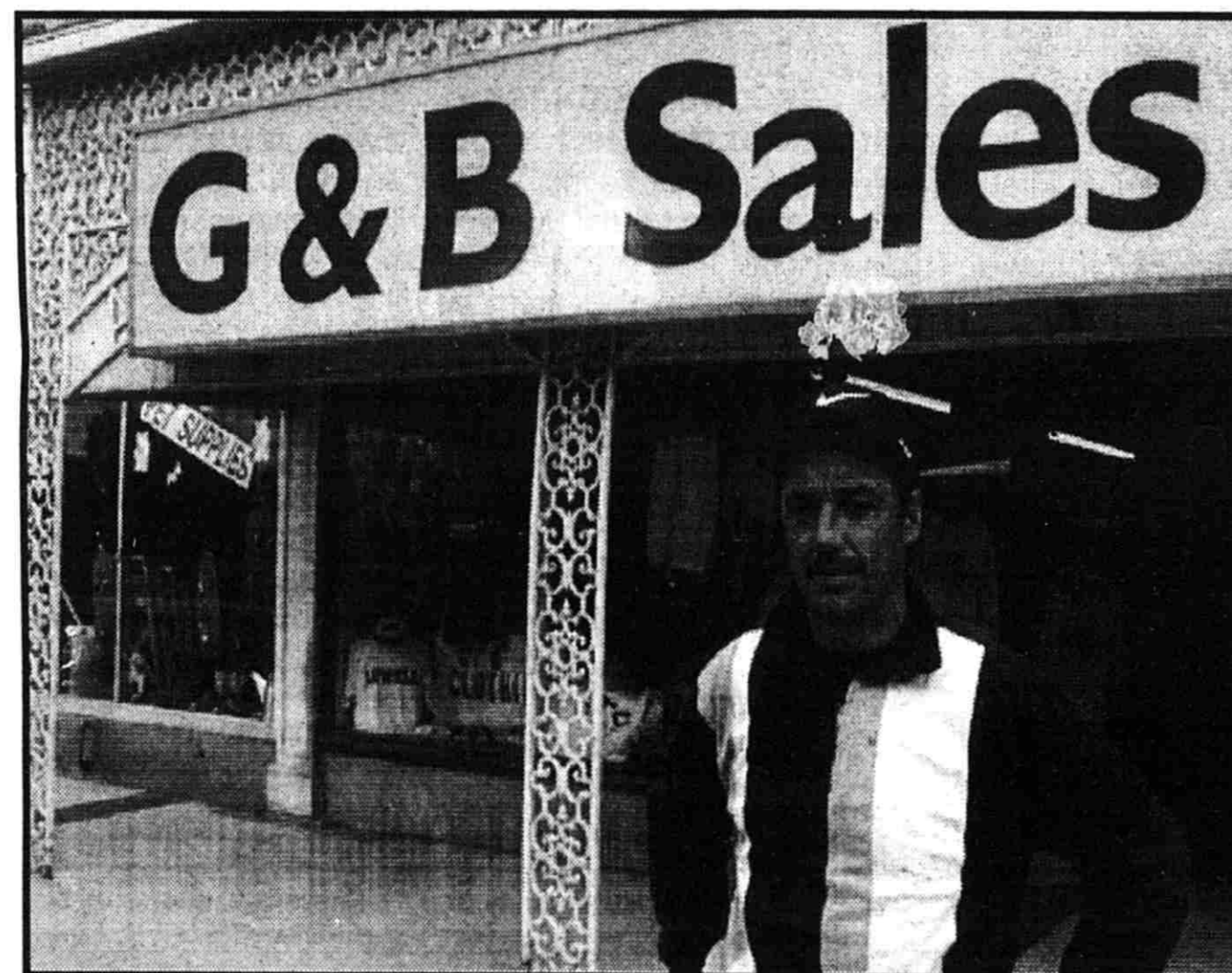


Calton's retail bug was nurtured through traveling with his family to festivals and other items.

His family still travels throughout the year to Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio and Michigan.

The idea to open a store originated with people stopping by the Calton house to purchase items.

"We are constantly observing what people are buying and wearing," Calton said. "I like to get and give deals. I want to be competitive."



Don Calton, manager of G&B Sales stands with sales clerk Amber Fry. The new clothing store has an array of shirts and sporting wear. Left, Calton stands outside of G&B Sales at 209 E. Main.

## Lowell students recognized on their literary merit

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The poetic works of nine Lowell fifth-graders and one fourth-grader were recognized from Creative Communication, Inc., through creativity, literary merit, and social awareness.

The company began sponsoring a young poets' contest in 1993. Each year it awards thousands of dollars to young poets.

The top 10 poets in each grade level (4-6, 7-9, 10-12) receive a \$50 savings bond.

The poetry of 1996-97 Alto and Cherry Creek elementary fifth-grade students Annie Didion, Christina Dixon, Brandon Mason, Christina McCaul, Adrienne Ripley, Crystal Spino, Chris Corlett, Chris Pfaff, Jacqueline Vos and fourth-grader Kelsey Rae Payne has been selected worthy of publication in Creative Communication's annual anthology. Less than 50 percent of the poems submitted are included in the anthology.

Subjects of some of the poetry included Hepatitis A, broken hearts, the blues, golf and memories.

The goal of Creative Communication is to be selective enough that it is an honor to be accepted, but not so exclusive that only a few poets receive recognition.



The Idaho legislature once passed a law making it illegal for a man to give his sweetheart a box of candy weighing less than 50 pounds.

## Vacating Water Street could impact access to Recreation Park

by J.N. Boorsma  
Contributing Writer

Discussion continues on the request of the city vacating Waters Street.

City manager David Pasquale said the issue has been brought up before the city's Parks and Recreation Committee for review. The group spent some time discussing the impacts of restricted public access to Recreation Park if Waters Street is vacated.

Pasquale said the group looked at other access areas either to the north or south of the old swimming pool building. Jim Doyle, vice president for King Milling Company and who brought up the original proposal to vacate, suggested reconfiguring the ball diamonds.

"Doing this would mean the city would have to incur a great expense," Pasquale said, adding that by changing the ball field around, it would be more feasible for parking and public access. Along with the price tag, the ball field would be out for about a year due to the construction.

At this point, the committee has asked that King Milling, Michigan Wire, and the city sit down and discuss the various alternatives if Waters Street were to be vacated.

"King Milling, Michigan Wire and the city are looking at this as partners," said Pasquale. "We all utilize this road to reach our facilities."

Pasquale said a report of that meeting would be made available to the Parks and Recreation Committee and the city council.

## Lowell Women's Club selling discount books

Dine at your favorite restaurants, enjoy top local and national attractions, save on airfare, cruises, car rentals and over 1,600 hotels, plus much more, all at up to 50 percent off.

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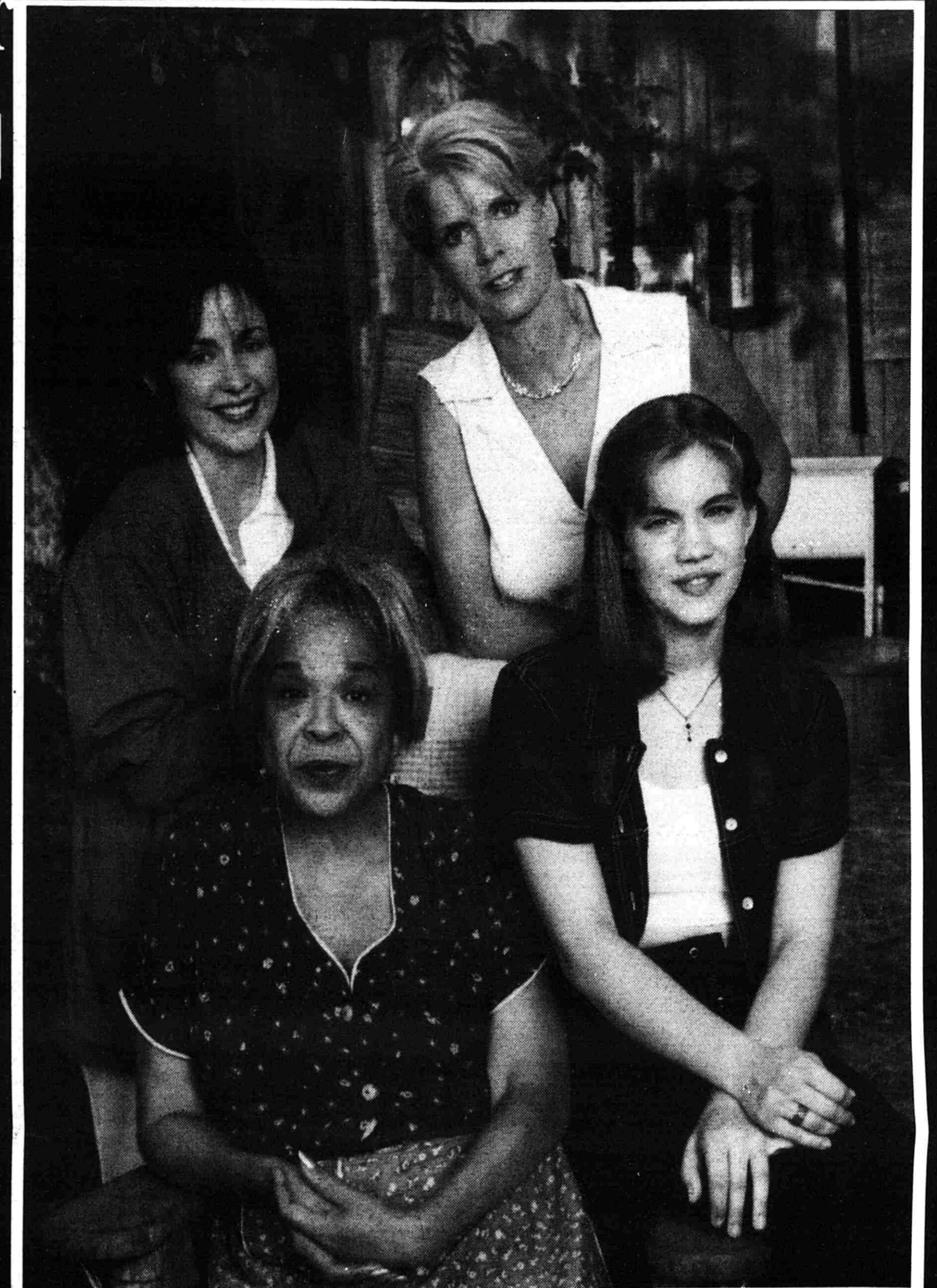
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FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 24 THRU OCTOBER 30

Patricia Heaton, Meredith Baxter, Anna Chlumsky and Della Reese (clockwise from upper left) star in *Miracle in the Woods*, airing Sunday on CBS. Heaton filmed the drama while on break from *Everybody Loves Raymond*, the sitcom she stars in that airs Mondays on CBS.

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MONDAY EVENING OCTOBER 27, 1997. 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 (WVMT, WOVU, WGVU, etc.) listing programs like Wheel of Fortune, Jeopardy!, and various news and entertainment shows.

TUESDAY LATE NIGHT OCTOBER 28, 1997. 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 (WVMT, WOVU, WGVU, etc.) listing programs like Late Show, Politically Incorrect, and various comedy and news shows.

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THURSDAY EVENING		OCTOBER 30, 1997									
		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
<b>BROADCAST STATIONS</b>											
3	WVMT	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Promised Land (In Stereo)	Diagnosis Murder "Crash" (In Stereo) (Part 1 of 2)	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)			
4	WVTV	American Journal	Real TV (In Stereo)	Movie: *1/2 "Village of the Damned" (1995) Christopher Reeve, Linda Kozlowski (In Stereo)	20/20	News	Nightline				
5	WGVU	Newshour With Jim Lehrer	Practical Sports	This Old House	Michigan Out-of-Doors [Fly Fishing]	Trailside: Adventure	Great Lakes Outdoors	Waiting for God	Charlie Rose (In Stereo)		
17	WXMI	Home Improvement	Seinfeld (In Stereo)	Living Single	Between Brothers	413 Hope St. "Halo Crimes" (In Stereo)	Veronica's Closet	ER "Good Touch, Bad Touch" (In Stereo)	News	Tonight Show	
8	WOOD	Inside Edition	Extra (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	Union Square	Seinfeld (In Stereo)	Veronica's Closet	ER "Good Touch, Bad Touch" (In Stereo)	News	Michigan Out-of-Doors	
23	WKAR	Newshour With Jim Lehrer	Practical Sports	Michigan Out-of-Doors	This Old House	Frugal Gourmet "Duck"	Mystery! "Heily Waintrupp Investigates"	Practical Sports	Michigan Out-of-Doors		
13	WZZM	Entertainment Tonight	Mad About You	Movie: *1/2 "Village of the Damned" (1995) Christopher Reeve, Linda Kozlowski (In Stereo)	20/20	News	Nightline				
15	WSYM	Frasier (In Stereo)	Home Improvement	Living Single	Between Brothers	413 Hope St. "Halo Crimes" (In Stereo)	Real TV (In Stereo)	News	Keenen Ivory Ways		
17	TBS	Coach (In Stereo)	Coach (In Stereo)	Movie: * "Maximum Overdrive" (1986) Emilio Estevez, Laura Harrington.	Movie: * "Graveyard Shift" (1990) David Andrews, Stephen Macht.						
19	FAM	Waltons "The Actress"	Rescue 911 (In Stereo)	Movie: *** "Crocodile Dundee" (1986) Paul Hogan, John Meillon. (In Stereo)	700 Club						
20	FX	Miami Vice "Down for the Count" (Part 2 of 2)	X-Files "Our Town" (In Stereo)	NYPD Blue "Heavin' Can Wait" (In Stereo)	In Living Color	In Living Color	X-Files "Soft Light" (In Stereo)				
21	USA	Highlander: The Series "Free Fall" (In Stereo)	Walker, Texas Ranger "The Return of LaRue"	Movie: ** "Lionheart" (1990) Jean-Claude Van Damme, Deborah Rennard. (In Stereo)	Silk Stalkings "Crush" (R) (In Stereo)						
22	DISC	Gimme Shelter	Wild Discovery "Wolverine" (R)	Into the Unknown	Movie Magic (R)	Wings "Eagles of the Crown" "Rapid Reaction"	Justice Files "Psycho Killers" (R)				
23	WGN	Family Matters	Coach "Baby Coaches"	Movie: ** "Fire Birds" (1990) Nicolas Cage, Sean Young. (In Stereo)	News (In Stereo)						
23	ESPN	(6:30) Sportscenter	Weekend Kickoff Show	College Football: North Carolina at Georgia Tech. (Live)							
27	CNN	Moneyline	Crossfire	Prime News	Burden of Proof (R)	Larry King Live	World Today	CNN Sports Illustrated	Moneyline (R)		
27	NICK	Rugrats (In Stereo)	Secret of Alex	Happy Days "Haunted"	Munsters	Addams Family	Odd Couple	Newhart	Happy Days		
28	A&E	Law & Order "Poison Ivy"	Biography "Gary Gilmore: A Fight to Die" (R)	Sea Tales "Blackbeard's Reign of Terror"	Unexplained "Alien Abductions"						
31	PASS	Inside CART (R)	Champions of Speed	This Week in NASCAR (R)							
32	TNT	Lois & Clark: The New Adventures of Superman	Movie: *** "The Horse Soldiers" (1959, Adventure)	John Wayne. A Union officer leads a mission to destroy an enemy depot.	Rough Cut (In Stereo)	Movie: *** "Two Mules for Sister Sara" (1970)					
33	NASH	Dukes of Hazzard "Dead and Alive" (In Stereo)	Championship Rodeo (In Stereo)	Prime Time Country (In Stereo)	Today's Country (In Stereo)	Dallas "Out of the Frying Pan" (In Stereo)					
33	TRAV	My Town (In Stereo)	Earth Journeys	On the Horizon	BBC Travel	Getaway	My Town (In Stereo)				
33	TRAV	Home Again	Medical Detectives	Without Warning	Quest "Bigfoot" (R)	Quest (R)	Hauntings Across America (R)				
37	SCIFI	Time Trax "The Dream Team" (R) (In Stereo)	Sequest 2032 "Weapons of War" (In Stereo)	Movie: *1/2 "To Die For" (1989) Brendan Hughes, Amanda Wyss.	Movie: *1/2 "The Watcher in the Woods" (1980) PG (Mild language)	"Close-3rd Kind"	Time Trax "The Dream Team" (R) (In Stereo)				
41	HIST	Air Combat "Marine Aviators"	In Search of History "Witchcraft"	Modern Marvels "Crime Science" (R)	History Undercover (R)						
42	AMC	Movie: **1/2 "Dr. Terror's House of Horrors" (1965), Christopher Lee, Donald Sutherland	Movie: *** "The Beast From 20,000 Fathoms" (1953), Paula Raymond	Movie: **1/2 "The Giant Behemoth" (1959), Andre Morell, Leigh Madison							
43	DISC	Scoby Doo Meets the Boo Brothers (R)	Movie: "Susie Q" (1996), Shelley Long (In Stereo) PG (Adult language)	Movie: ** "The Watcher in the Woods" (1980) PG (Mild language)	"Close-3rd Kind"						
43	HBO	Movie: *** "Top Gun" (1986) (In Stereo) PG (Adult language, adult situations, violence)	Movie: "Acts of Betrayal" 1997, Matt McColm (In Stereo) NR	Perversions of Science	Inside the NFL (In Stereo)						
43	MAX	(5:45) Movie: *** "Indiana Jones-Lost Crusade"	Movie: ** "The Presidio" (1988) (In Stereo) R (Adult language, adult situations, violence)	Movie: **1/2 "The Return of the Living Dead" (1985), Don Calla 'R'	Movie: **1/2 "Ricochet"						

THURSDAY LATE NIGHT		OCTOBER 30, 1997									
		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)	Geraldo Rivera				CBS Up to the Minute (Joined in Progress)			
4	WVTV	Politically Incorrect	Strange Universe	Paid Program	Paid Program	(Off Air)					
5	WGVU	(11:30) Charlie Rose	(Off Air)								
17	WXMI	Vibe	Keenen Ivory Ways (In Stereo)	Paid Program	Simpsons (In Stereo) (Off Air)			Blossom (In Stereo)	Murphy Brown		
17	WOOD	(11:35) Tonight Show	Late Night (In Stereo)	Later (In Stereo)	Paid Program	NBC News Nightside					
23	WKAR	(Off Air)									
13	WZZM	Politically Incorrect	Martha Stewart Living	Gayle King (In Stereo)	News (R)	Access Hollywood	View	ABC World News Now (Joined in Progress)			
15	WSYM	Keenen Ivory Ways	Gayle King (In Stereo)	Martha Stewart Living	News (R)	Jenny Jones (In Stereo)		All News Night	All News Night	All News A.M.	All News A.M.
17	TBS	Movie: ** "Silver Bullet" (1985) Gary Busey, Everett McGill	Movie: * "Maximum Overdrive" (1986) Emilio Estevez, Laura Harrington.					Beverly Hillsbillies	Laverne & Shirley		
19	FAM	Three Stooges	Paid Program	Paid Program	700 Club			Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
20	FX	NYPD Blue "One Big Happy Family" (In Stereo)	Miami Vice "Give a Little, Take a Little" (R)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
21	USA	La Femme Nikita "Choice" (R) (In Stereo)	Magnum, P.I. "Thicker Than Blood" (R)	Movie: ***1/2 "Superman II" (1980, Fantasy) Christopher Reeve. Three criminals from Krypton take over the United States.	Facts of Life (In Stereo)						
22	DISC	Wild Discovery "Wolverine" (R)	Into the Unknown	Movie Magic (R)	Wings "Eagles of the Crown" "Rapid Reaction" (R)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
23	WGN	In the Heat of the Night "Sweet, Sweet Blues" (R)	Simon & Simon "Love and/or Marriage" (R)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Columbo "Dagger of the Mind"					
23	ESPN	Strongest Man	Strongest Man	Billiards: WPBA Classic Tour Final. (R)	Sportscenter	College Football: North Carolina at Georgia Tech. (R)					
27	CNN	Newsnight	Showbiz Today (R)	Burden of Proof	CNN Sports Illustrated	Larry King Live (R)		Crossfire (R)	CNN Sports Illustrated	CNN International	Newsroom
27	NICK	Addams Family	Happy Days "Haunted"	Munsters	Addams Family	Odd Couple	Dick Van Dyke	Newhart	Happy Days	Addams Family	Mary Tyler Moore
28	A&E	Biography "Gary Gilmore: A Fight to Die" (R)	Sea Tales "Blackbeard's Reign of Terror" (R)	Unexplained "Alien Abductions" (R)				Law & Order "Seed" (R)		Movie: *** "The Cotton Club" (1984)	
31	PASS	Sports Writers on TV	Extreme Championship Wrestling	Inside CART (R)	Champions of Speed	This Week in NASCAR (R)					
32	TNT	(11:00) Movie: *** "Two Mules for Sister Sara" (1970) Clint Eastwood.	Rough Cut (In Stereo)	Movie: *** "Deadly Friend" (1986) Matthew Laborteaux, Anne Twomey.							
33	NASH	Dukes of Hazzard "Dead and Alive" (In Stereo)	Prime Time Country (R) (In Stereo)	Today's Country (R) (In Stereo)	(Off Air)			Undersea Adventures	Water Sports World	Pathfinders	Pathfinders
33	TRAV	Earth Journeys	Earth Journeys	On the Horizon	On the Horizon	BBC Travel	Getaway	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
37	SCIFI	Sequest 2032 "Weapons of War" (In Stereo)	Movie: *1/2 "To Die For" (1989) Brendan Hughes, Amanda Wyss.	History Undercover (R)				Boris Karloff Presents Thriller	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
41	HIST	In Search of History "Witchcraft" (R)	Modern Marvels "Crime Science" (R)	History Undercover (R)				World at War "On Our Way"			
42	AMC	Movie: *** "Gargo" (1961), William Sylvester, Vincent Winter	Movie: *** "Kronos" (1957), Barbara Lawrence, John Emery	Movie: *1/2 "Tobor the Great" (1954), Karin Booth, Billy Chapin	Movie: ** "The Mask"						
43	DISC	(11:35) Movie: *** "Close Encounters of the Third Kind" (1977) (In Stereo) PG (Adult language)	Movie: "Susie Q" (1996), Shelley Long (In Stereo) PG (Adult language)	Movie: *** "Mickey's Greatest Adventures" (R)	Scoby Doo-Boo Bros.						
43	HBO	Arli's (R) (In Stereo)	Movie: ** "The Dentist" (1996), Linda Hoffman (In Stereo) R	Tales From the Crypt	Movie: ***1/2 "JFK" (1991, Drama) Kevin Costner. Based on the alleged conspiracy surrounding JFK's death. (In Stereo) R						
43	MAX	(11:30) Movie: **1/2 "Ricochet" (1991) R	Movie: *** "Surviving Picasso" (1996, Drama) Anthony Hopkins. Pablo Picasso finds a lover as strong-willed as himself. R	Movie: * "Married People, Single Sex II: For Better or Worse" (1994) R							

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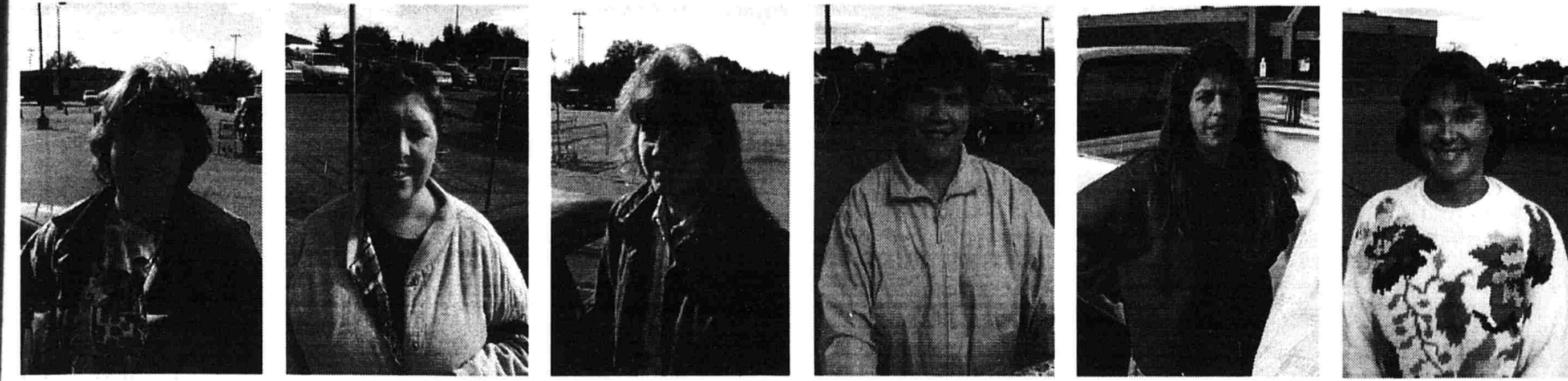
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**Barb Foster**  
I don't know, I don't watch baseball. I'll pick the Florida Marlins.

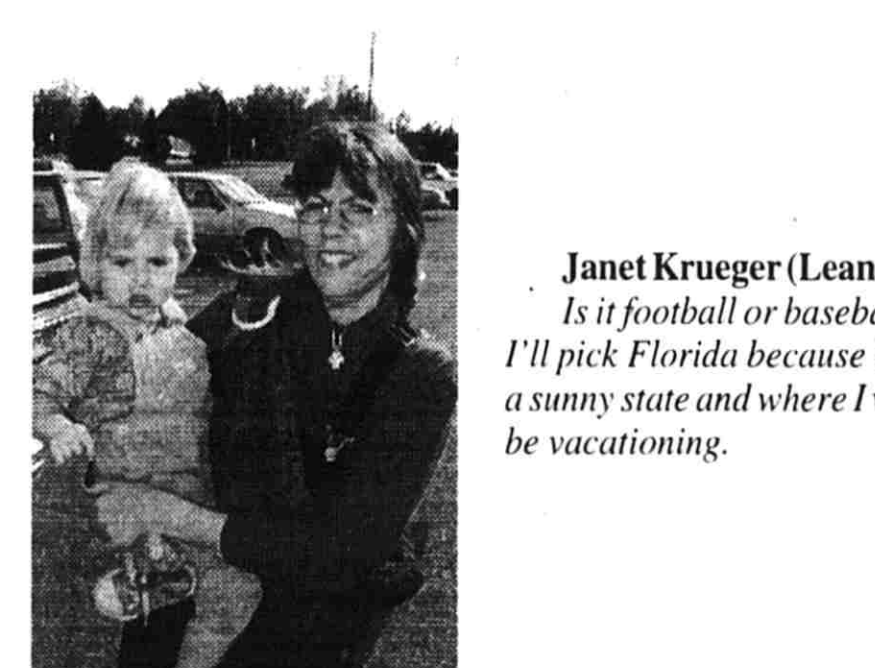
**Sharon Garza**  
I am not up on them, but I will pick Florida.

**Deveny Dibble**  
I have not watched baseball. I'll pick Florida.

**Ashley Hendrick**  
I hate Florida. I'm a Florida State fan, so I'll pick Cleveland.

**Jo Hineline**  
I don't know.... Florida.

**Karen Johnson**  
Florida.



**Janet Krueger (Leanna)**  
Is it football or baseball? I'll pick Florida because it is a sunny state and where I will be vacationing.



**Donna Borth**  
Before it all started, I would have picked Atlanta. That wouldn't be a very good pick now. So I will pick the Marlins.

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She weighed 8 lbs. 11 oz. and measured 20 1/2 inches long.  
Proud parents are Scott VanDyke and Crystal Woods of Lowell.  
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Lowell Board of Education will be having a "Dialogue Session" on Monday, October 27, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. at the Administration Building - Board Room, 300 High St., Lowell, MI.

The purpose of the session is for the Board and the Administration to receive public input and to enter into dialogue regarding various issues. Please stop by to "chat."

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

The decedent, whose last known address was 3612 BURLINGAME, GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49509, died August 27, 1997. An instrument dated December 8, 1993 has been admitted as the will of the deceased.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative of the decedent's will to probate.

This estate is not being supervised by the Probate Court. Any interested party may file a written petition with the Kent County Probate Court, located at GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN, and with the independent personal representative, objecting to the appointment and to the admission of the decedent's will to probate.

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# Lowell answers Eagles' early challenge on way to 28-7 win

••• The Red Arrows' win improves their record to 5-1 in the OK White and 6-1 overall and sets up a confrontation with conference tri-leader East Grand Rapids.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger  
Editor

Lowell's 28-7 win over visiting Hudsonville kept the Red Arrows' Class A playoff hopes alive.

It also set up an OK White showdown with perennial power East Grand Rapids on Friday.

"It will be a good game played by two teams who execute and who are very well coached," Hudsonville coach Dave Duram said. The Eagles' play in the first half did not re-

semble that of a 1-6 team. "If the playoffs would have started tonight, our schedule would consist of six playoff teams," Duram noted. The Red Arrows (6-1, 5-1) took note after the Eagles drove 56 yards in 10 plays to take a 7-0 first-quarter lead. The big play was a fourth-and-17, 36-yard touchdown

pass from D.J. VanSlyke to Jamie Buikema. It woke Lowell up. The Red Arrows' offense, starting from its own 31, marched 69 yards in nine plays with T.J. Thayer scoring on a 10-yard run around the left side. The Eagles flying high from a strong first quarter performance, began what appeared to be a second touchdown march

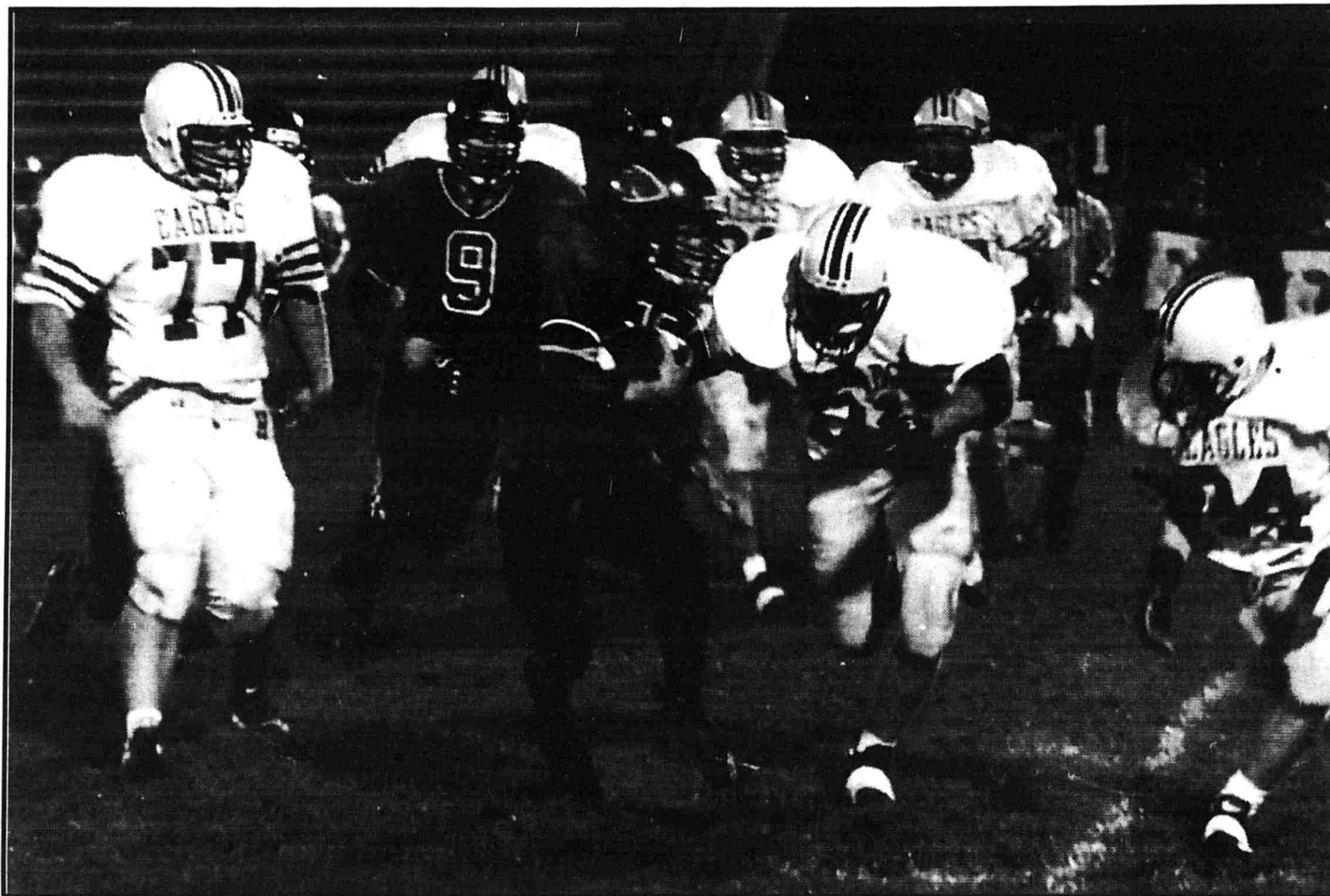
from its own 37. On Hudsonville's 11th play at Lowell's 24-yard line, the Eagles fumbled the ball. Lowell's Nate Schoen recovered.

"We've been getting on cutting down on our turnovers, but it has been a problem for us," Duram said. "That obviously was a big play."

Lowell wasted no time capitalizing. Running back Steve VanLaan followed some key blocking before racing 67 yards for a touchdown, giving Lowell its first lead of the game at 14-7.

"We were in a little funk at the start of the game, but we then began to settle in," Lowell football coach Noel Dean said.

On its first possession of the second half, the Red Arrows established control with some



Brian Bellechasses rushed for 70 yards in Lowell's 28-7 win over Hudsonville.

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smash-mouth football. Lowell drove 65 yards in 13 plays, eating up six minutes of the third-quarter clock. VanLaan capped the drive off with a two-yard touchdown run. The drive consisted of 12 rushes.

The Red Arrows scored the game's final touchdown early in the fourth quarter. Thayer connected with Andy Graham on a 20-yard touchdown pass in the left corner of the end zone. It was Graham's first game back since breaking his ankle four weeks ago.

The win kept Lowell tied for first in the OK White with Forest Hills Central and East Grand Rapids.

"Not many teams around the state will be in a game that matters in week eight," Dean said.

Lowell's game against the Pioneers will have playoff and league title implications.

## OK White Recap

(6-1, 5-1) East Grand Rapids 35, (5-2, 4-2) Zeeland 18

(6-1, 5-1) Forest Hills Central 34, (3-4, 2-4) Hastings 6

(2-5, 2-4) Wyoming Park 12, (0-7, 0-6) Northview 7

(6-1, 5-1) LOWELL 28, (1-6, 1-5) Hudsonville 7

## Effort not rewarded in two close defeats

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger  
Editor

In the end it wasn't the foul shots Battle Creek St. Phillips made, but the foul shots Lowell girls' basketball team missed that led to the Red Arrows' 52-46 nonconference defeat.

The Tigers hit on 14-of-18 foul shots. Lowell connected on six-of-14 from the line. "A number of those were the front ends of a one-and-one," Lowell coach Ken Akers said.

Despite a less than productive night from the line, Akers was pleased with his girls' effort.

"We played a pretty good team with a good record," Akers said. "After the first quarter, the girls slowly fought their way back into the game."

Lowell trailed by 10 after one quarter, five at halftime and by three to start the fourth quarter.

Lynn Boersma led all Lowell scorers with 18 points. It marked the second straight game in which the Red Arrow tallied over 15 points. "Lynn's beginning to give us some consistency in her scoring," Akers said.

Nikki Arnett tallied 10 points and grabbed a club-high 12 rebounds.

"We're doing a better job with the simple things," Akers said. "We're not traveling as much, we're rebounding better

and the girls are getting in better position to shoot the ball."

Caledonia 48  
Lowell 47

The Red Arrows handed in a balanced performance at both ends of the floor as it narrowly missed recording its first win of the season.

"When we were 0-8 and not playing well, I didn't feel bad for the girls," coach Ken Akers said. "Now, I feel bad for them, because they are working hard, hustling on defense, diving for loose balls and showing improvement. Conceivably they could have won their last two games."

Lowell led the Fighting Scots 17-14 at halftime. Caledonia rallied for a 31-30 lead after three quarters of play.

Lynn Boersma netted a club-high 16 points against Caledonia. Nikki Arnett contributed with seven points and a team-leading seven rebounds. Rachael Fredline and Shelby Williams each netted six points.

"Williams played a real smart game and did a nice job defensively against Caledonia's best player," Akers said.

Lowell finished the week at 0-12. It will host Hastings on Thursday.

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## Lowell soccer team enters pre-district having won three of its last four games

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell's soccer team (7-7, 9-8) will enter the pre-district, winners of three of its last four games. The Red Arrows will play the winner of the Forest Hills Central/Northview game at Red Arrow Stadium on Wednesday (Oct. 22).

"It's a tough district, but I'm real happy with the way the boys are playing going into Wednesday's game," Lowell soccer coach Dave Wydock said. "Their confidence has grown with each game."

Helping that confidence was a 5-1 win over Hudsonville on Tuesday. The Red Arrows had their three-game winning streak snapped on Thursday as they lost 2-1 to East Grand Rapids on a penalty kick in the final four minutes of the game.

Pioneer Sean Barnes slid one by Lowell keeper Ben Michael to give East a 2-1 lead.

East Grand Rapids took a 1-0 lead within the first minute of the game on a goal by Andrew Vyn.

"A quick goal like that can sometimes take a team out of a game mentally," Wydock said. "Our boys kept their heads and did what they had to do."

It remained 1-0 until early

in the second half. Nick Blough, having missed seven games with a tear in a calf muscle, fed Matt Maatman. The Red Arrow put one past Pioneer goalie Jesse Panter to tie the score.

"With it being his first game back, Blough played extremely well," Wydock said. "Maatman connected on a pretty tough angle shot."

Lowell and East both took 14 shots on goal. Panter recorded seven saves while

Michael had nine.

Despite the loss, Wydock is pleased with his club's play. "The guys have stepped it up and have been playing well. We've had a strong second half of the season."

### Lowell 5 Hudsonville 1

The Red Arrows jumped all over an undermanned Hudsonville team with four first-half goals on their way

to their third straight conference win.

"The guys are playing solid soccer right now," Wydock said. "Our younger guys have really been stepping up."

Shaun Precious scored the first of four first-half goals following a feed from Matt Maatman.

On a feed from Aaron Alsgaard, Maatman made it 2-0. Jake Brown made it 3-0 on a terrific kick from the

corner. "He bent it right around the goal and into the net," Wydock said. "It was an incredible bending shot."

Maatman increased the lead to 4-0 when he creased the net from six yards away following a cross-over from Jim Jastifer.

The two teams traded goals in the second half. Precious sent one into the lower right hand corner of the Hudsonville net, following a poor Eagle goal kick.

## Cross country teams drop a pair to East Grand Rapids

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell boys' cross country team did not have enough in the end to hold off East Grand Rapids in the final dual meet of the OK White season at Johnson Park.

The Red Arrow boys were

defeated by the Pioneers 27-30.

Lowell led 9-12 after the top three runners from both squads came off the course. However, EGR claimed spots six and seven to secure the league win.

Lowell's Dan Rottier took

top honors as he finished the 3.1 mile course in 17:51. Pioneer Martin Beels was second at 17:57.

Lowell's Ryan Wittenbach took third with a time of 18:24, easily outdistancing EGR's Pat Walker (19:03).

Caleb O'Boyle, Lowell's third runner home, stopped the clock in 19:21. Pioneer Josh Levin was sixth at 19:37. Levin's teammates Chris Beels and Hillel Kurlandsky placed seventh and eighth re-

spectively in times of 19:42 and 19:43.

Lowell's Aaron Plattner (19:57) and Derrick Harmon (20:12) were 10th and 11th overall.

The Red Arrow girls' team was defeated by East Grand Rapids 17-43.

The Pioneers swept the top four spots. Jessin Blossom placed first in a time of 21:30. She was followed by Catlyn Turmelle, second, 21:36; Emily VanDahm, third, 21:40; and Annie Booth,

fourth, 22:05. EGR's fifth runner home was Elizabeth DeGraaf, seventh, in 23:53.

Lowell was led by Stacey Anderson. The Red Arrow was fifth in a time of 23:16. Andrea Baker was sixth, stopping the clock in 23:33. Teammate Beth Larabee, covered the terrain in 24:14, finishing ninth.

Courtney Baker (24:49) and Melissa Miller (25:00) finished 11th and 12th respectively.

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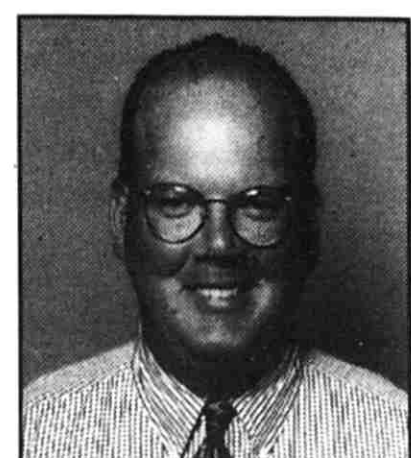
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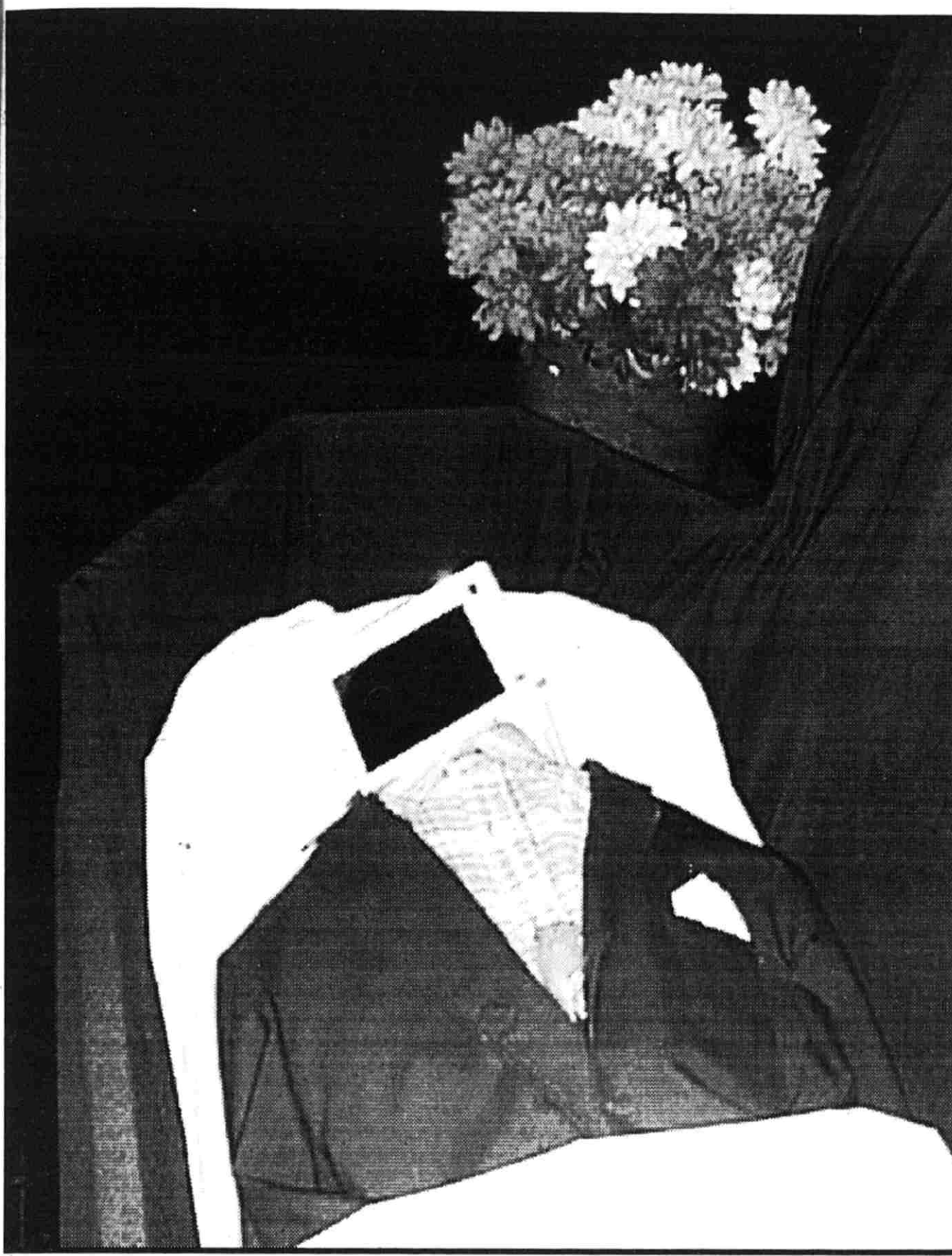
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## Freshman FB win thriller

The Lowell freshman football team played its toughest game of the year last week defeating Hudsonville 22-19. The Eagles scored first on a 60-yard run early in the second quarter. The extra point kick was good for a 7-0 Hudsonville lead. It was the first time this year the freshman squad found themselves behind.

Three plays later, Red Arrow quarterback Josh Brown made a dazzling 59-yard run sparked by a great down-field block from guard Matt Oesch. The extra point failed.

Neil Reimbold scored from 24 yards out late in the second quarter with the two-

## JV girls BB splits with St. Phillips and Caledonia

The JV girls tallied another win by beating up on St. Phillips of Battle Creek. Coach Brent Noskey was pleased with the win. "Their zone defense forced us to put up the perimeter shot. Beth Fredline, Laurie Biener and Kelly Chapman responded by hitting some big outside shots. We needed this win to give us confidence going into the second half of the season." Two members of the squad reached double figures - Beth Fredline with 17 and Lindsay Scigliano with 10. Also scoring were Biener 9, Chapman 7, Jody Seif 6, and Annie Zalokar 2. Chapman led the defense with five steals and four rebounds. Scigliano added six rebounds and Katie McPherson grabbed five.


The 7-0 freshmen take on East Grand Rapids this Thursday at 5 p.m. at Red Arrow stadium.

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## Red Ribbon week delivers strong message

The week of Oct. 20 through 23 is Red Ribbon week at Lowell High School. Red Ribbon week is sponsored by the SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving) chapter at LHS and is dedicated to spreading awareness about the dangers of drinking and driving.

On Monday, red ribbons were handed out to everyone

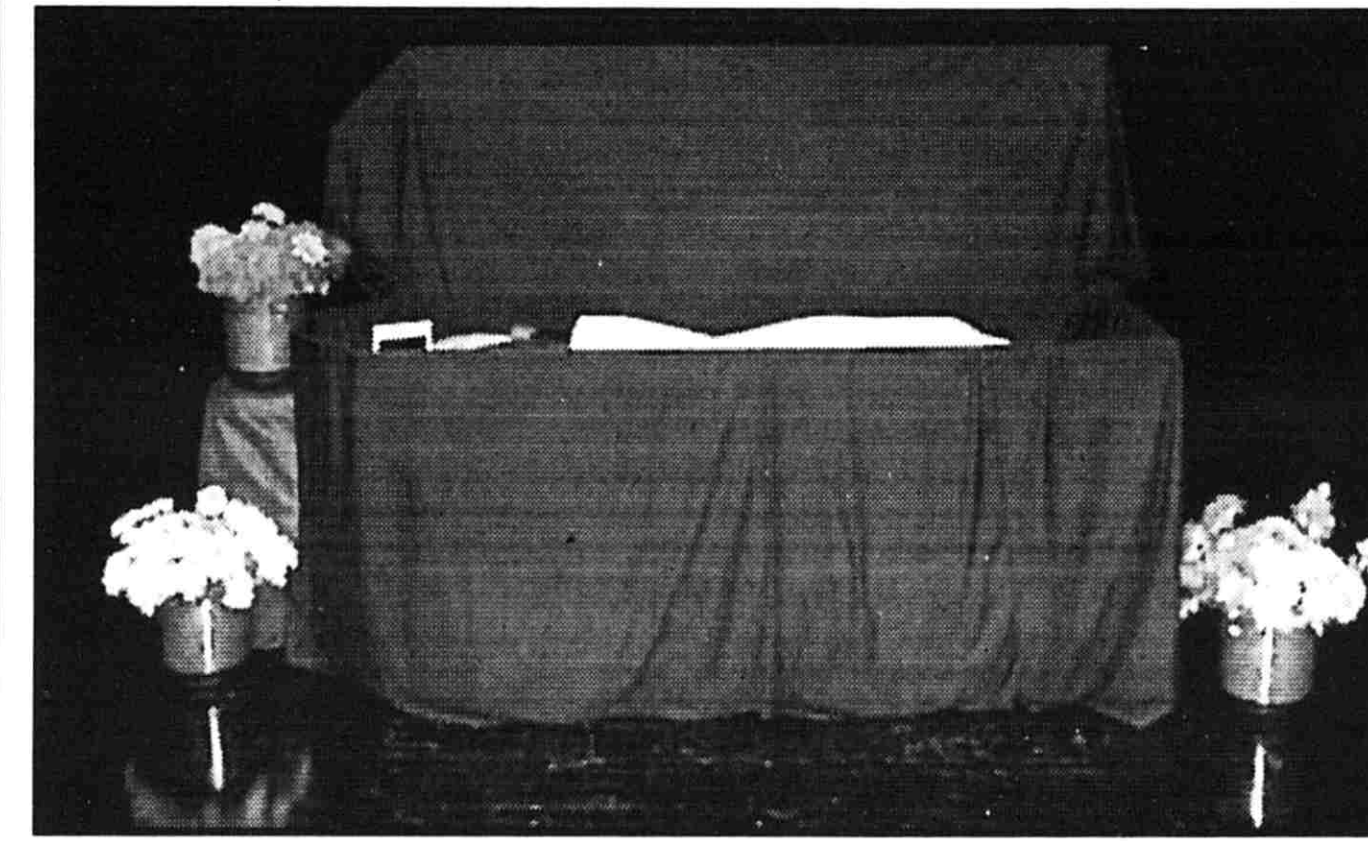
at school. Students tied these ribbons on their backpacks or on their car antennas to show their support for SADD.

Tuesday was mystery day. On this day, without students knowing, a seat belt check took place. Any drivers wearing their seat belts were rewarded with a ticket that they could win prizes with from a raffle later that day.

Wednesday, to raise money for SADD, students who pay 50 cents will be allowed to wear hats throughout the day.

Red Ribbon week ends on Thursday with a B.Y.O.B. (Bring Your Own Banana) celebration for all SADD members. Local businesses have donated ice cream and toppings for this event.

Throughout the day on Tuesday, Lowell High School students were reminded of the consequences of drinking and driving. The reflection off the mirror, which served as the head of the body lying in the casket, was a reminder to students that unless they use good judgment, the corpse could be them. This was part of Red Ribbon week sponsored by SADD.





## O. E. Bieri & Sons - Lowell's foot path contractor

By J.N. Boorsma  
Contributing Writer

A Lowell company has been awarded the task of constructing a foot path at Creekside Park.

At its Monday night meeting, Lowell City Council voted unanimously to award the contract to O.E. Bieri and Sons. It was one of two companies bidding to install a foot path from Creekside Park to Foreman Road.

In the project, the concrete culvert across Cherry Creek would be furnished and installed; washed stone and rip-rap are to be placed along with cutting 665 lineal feet of an eight-foot-wide path to provide compacted gravel.

O.E. Bieri and Sons bid the project at \$6,360 with an optional bid of \$1,360 for 100

yards of fill through the low area north of the creek, rip-rap on the down side of the culvert, and a down stream silt filter to help reduce erosion.

"The main reason for this is because Bieri and Sons likes to do above and beyond what is required by the state," said Public Works director Dan DesJarden. "I also would consider this phase two of the project. Eventually we do plan to pave the walk area and put in a safety fence along the ditch."

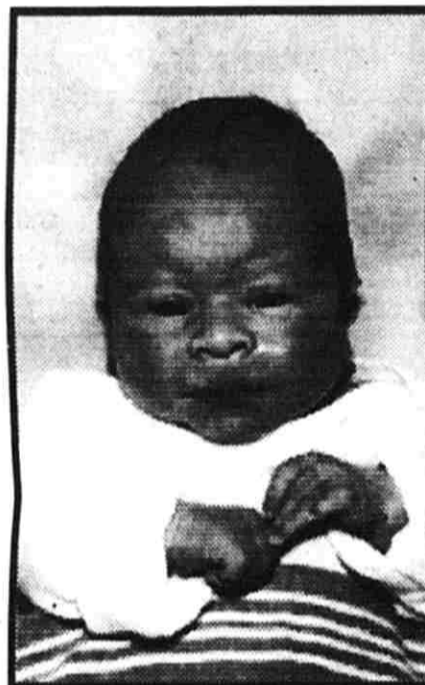
Even though the optional bid and the regular bid combined were more than the other bid, from Saranac-based Ken Shaler and Son Excavating, both DesJarden and city manager David Pasquale recommended going with Bieri and Sons.

The new path would give students, especially those living in or near Valley Vista subdivision, a new and safer path to walk to school, Pasquale said. Many of the students in the past have taken the railroad tracks to reach Foreman Road, where Lowell Middle and Cherry Creek Elementary schools are located.

DesJarden said the city will make a pathway through the park for the students, but for now the plans only call for the city to create the pathway from Cherry Creek to Foreman Road. He said the city will be watching what route residents and students take to determine the rest of the foot path.

Construction on the foot path will begin in two to three weeks.

## AREA BIRTHS



Bill and Peggy (Reagan) LaPenna are the proud parents of a second son, Francis Peter, born Friday, September 19, 1997 at 3:52 a.m. He

weighed in at 7 lbs. 8 oz. and was 21 inches long.

Big brother Joey welcomed him home. Irish grandparents Bob and Carol Reagan and Italian grandparents Tony and Marion LaPenna have bestowed their blessings on their newest grandson. Frankie is also welcomed home by his 19 1/2 cousins and their parents.

Travis and Tonya Mixon (Strouse) of Aurora, CO are proud to announce the birth of their son Walker Travis III (Tray), born on August 23, 1997. He weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz.

and measured 20 1/2 inches long.

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## Lowell Police Department offers up safety treats for Halloween

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

It's Halloween night and ...

a.) There is a strong presence of trick or treaters;  
b.) There is a strong presence of trick or treaters accompanied by parents;  
c.) There is a strong presence of trick or treaters accompanied by parents with local public safety officers out in force.

If C was your selection, the hunt for costumes may begin.

"Young children are usually excited on Halloween night and don't always follow safety rules," Lowell police chief Jim Valentine said. "Therefore, it is recommended that parents accompany children, and drivers slow down and adhere even more carefully to traffic safety laws. Lowell Police Department officers will be out in force."

The suggested time for trick or treating this Halloween (Friday, Oct. 31) is from 5 until 8 p.m.

The Lowell Police Department offers a list of safety tips to make this Halloween a safe and enjoyable event:

\* Consider alternatives to traditional trick or treating such as private parties, civic groups or church-sponsored parties.

\* "Children are going to want to trick or treat, but Halloween parties are usually available through churches and civic groups," Valentine said.

\* Children should wear light-colored clothing that is short enough to prevent tripping. Reflective tape and markings should be added.

\* Make sure a child can see well through the face mask, or use makeup as an alternative.

\* Go out in the daylight if possible or carry a flashlight after dark.

\* Stay within a child's neighborhood and only visit homes that you are familiar with.

\* Children should watch for traffic before crossing or entering streets. Cross streets only at intersections.

\* Walk only on sidewalks. If no sidewalks are available, walk facing traffic on the side of the street.

\* Only give and accept candy that is wrapped or packaged.

\* Parents or an adult should inspect all food treats before allowing children to eat them.

\* Costumed children should stay away from pets. A pet may not recognize the child and become frightened or aggressive.

\* Avoid hard plastic or wood props such as daggers or swords. Foam rubber or similar material which is soft and flexible should be used instead.

As for motorists, Valentine suggests basic safety precautions.

\* Drive slowly during trick or treat times.

\* Watch for children crossing the street, or darting into the street.

\* If driving children around the neighborhood, remember to have everyone buckle up.

Finally, the Lowell Police Department recommends homeowners turn off their porch lights after 8 p.m.

## Caution needed when dealing with raccoons

Lowell animal control person Jill Moore has removed six raccoons, during daylight hours, from the Valley Vista subdivision area within the last month.

"Raccoons are very nocturnal animals. If they are out during the day, that is usually a sign they are sick," Moore said. "Sick raccoons can be

very aggressive and voracious."

Moore warns that family pets (dogs) and children should not move toward the raccoons.

"They look like nice, cute little animals, but they are not," Moore said. "Families should not approach the animal, but keep their pets away

and call the police department so that the raccoon can be removed."

Moore explains that a recent outbreak of raccoons spotted in garages, front yards and even in the Family Fare and Lowell 5 Theater parking lots suffers from distemperment.

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**IONIA ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLE MARKET** - Sun., Oct. 26. Ionia Fairgrounds. M-66, Ionia, MI. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission \$2. Rain or Shine.

**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 so we can invite them: Saralee (Chrouch) Eden & Dorothy (Venneman) Hoffman. If you can help us with information, please call Jo at 897-9524 or Alice at 897-

**SARANAC AMERICAN LEGION LADIES AUXILIARY** - is having a scarecrow contest, Oct. 25. Have your scarecrow at the Legion at 3 p.m. Judging will be at 5:30 for 1st, 2nd & 3rd prizes. Scarecrows can be taken home after 5:30 p.m.

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## LMS drama presents "Internal Teen Machine"



Cast members, above, front row, left to right: Bridget Harrigan, Christie Lacio, Amy Howes and Nick Baker; second row, left to right: Patrick Mendez, Philip Moerdyke, Susie Hoag and Tara Ripley; third row, left to right: Chad Harvey, Tiffani Jastifer and Wade Gilchrist.

Cast members, at right, front row, left to right: Anna Moore, Matt Barry, Matt Roth, Molly Kirsch, Amanda Dykhuis and Molly Balaam; second row, left to right: Brad Eldridge, Becky Brinkley, Brandon Bouwkamp and Rachel Swift; third row, left to right: Michelle Strzyzewski, Kayla Johnson, Amy Bellechasses and Tara Kuipers.

The Lowell Middle School eighth-grade drama club will present the adventure fantasy, *Internal Teen Machine* on Thursday, Oct. 23.

Marc Williams has a problem: he has such a crush on Tina, whenever he sees her, he has a nervous reaction and starts to sneeze. However, he can never complete the sneeze,

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Don't miss this free evening of entertainment at 7:30 p.m. in the middle school cafeteria on 750 Foreman.



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Love Always Lucile; Gary & Bonnie Denman; Bob & Becky Adriane; David & Tammy Adriane; grandchildren & great-grandchildren.

**IN MEMORIAM**  
A mother's love, a sister's need, a friend's dependence, a religious creed, all form the love of one at our side, that was taken away in the blink of an eye. Our tears fall down like the autumn leaves as our loved one meets God, her reward from the creed. The wound too wide to quell the pain, the love of the Lord is our soul gain. We love and miss her but we'll go on. We'll finish our work and when it's done, we'll meet again on that heavenly shore, where tears and pain will be no more.

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# Lowell Area Schools DIRECTIONS

October 1997



**ATTENTION  
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Lowell Area Schools would like to build relationships with families before their children start school. Let us know your needs and get information from us on:

- Child development
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If you are a parent of young children or know of someone who is, please call today to request our informational services. We look forward to getting to know you.

Working together, schools and families make learning better for children. Call Susan Lockwood, Community Outreach Coordinator, at 897-8415.



The Lowell Middle School  
Eighth-Grade Drama Class Presents  
**INTERNAL TEEN MACHINE**

by Tim Kelly

**Thursday, October 23 at 7:30 PM**  
In The Middle School Cafetorium, 750 Foreman

**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!**

Mark your calendars for the Cherry Creek Fall Book Fair put on by Pooh's Corner November 3, 4, 5 & 6.

This is a great way to do some early Christmas shopping. Watch the "Cherry Creek Communique" for further details.

**OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD**

Pinky McPherson has received the Henry Lightner Award for the field of Water Safety. She has been an instructor of Water Safety for the Red Cross since 1969. Pinky has continuously expanded her service to the chapter by becoming an instructor in Life Guard Training, Community First Aid and Safety, CPR for the Professional Rescuer, Sport Safety Training and Responding to Emergencies.

Pinky is currently in the process of becoming certified as an Instructor Trainer in Water Safety. Congratulations for your 27 years of volunteering in such a vital area.

**NEW ART TEACHER AT BUSHNELL**



Hello, my name is Mrs. Norman. I'm the new art teacher solely devoted to the students of Bushnell. I come to Bushnell after having worked many years as a professional artist and graphic designer in various mediums and have even been commissioned to design a piece of artwork for a famous musician. It's this same excitement I wish to share with the students.

Students will be involved this year with hands-on projects, art history lessons, possible museum and art gallery trips, artists-in-residence coming in to work with the students and much more. Their exposure to the arts will be enormous. I will continue to bring a wealth of knowledge, as well as much enthusiasm to the program. I will always be creating new and exciting ways to get the students of Bushnell involved in the world of art.



**DEER SEASON**

**Mammals are popping out everywhere in Ms. Charles' first grade class at Bushnell Elementary.**

Science comes to life for Mark Ford, bear; Nolan Blair, raccoon; Taylor Schumacher, sheep and Katie Sefton, deer.



**LOWELL COMMUNITY EDUCATION**

**WINDOWS '95 CLASS** will be held for eight weeks October 21 through December 9 in the Riverside building located next to the library on Tuesday nights from 6 to 9:30 p.m. To sign up call 897-8235. Cost for the class is \$100.

Come join in the fun and play coed regulation **VOLLEYBALL** on Tuesday evenings, in the Runciman building. Starting October 14 through January 13, 1998 from 7 to 9 p.m. The fee for 12 weeks is \$10. Call 897-8235 to register.

**ACTIVE PARENTING CLASSES** - Parenting education groups are flourishing as never before. We are pleased to offer an active parenting course which consists of six, 2 1/2 hour sessions. The class nights are: October 28, November 4, 11, 18 & 25 and December 2 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. These classes are designed for parents of middle school age children and under. Cost for this class is \$25 per person/couple, which includes a book and free baby-sitting. If interested please call Lowell Community Ed at 897-8235.

**KINDERGARTEN APPLE DAY**

Kindergartners had an apple day to celebrate Johnny Appleseed on Friday, Sept. 26 at Bushnell Elementary.

They did a classroom apple graph, became scientists with our own apples estimating and observing, made apple smiles (apple slices, peanut butter and marshmallows) and did apple painting.

Pictured, from left to right: Samantha Perrin, Mike Thuston, and Justin Young, all from Ms. VanVleck's first-grade class.

**NEW PTO GROUP WILL HELP PARENTS STAY IN TUNE AND INFORMED**

It's not unusual for kids coming to a new school to feel alone. We know that in time they find their way through the network of new friends, teachers and other staff they see daily at school. But what about the parents? Where is their network of friends? Who do they call with their questions and how do they find their way?

The answer is the "Welcoming Group" recently formed by the Cherry Creek/Bushnell PTO. To help parents become integrated into our schools and stay informed about activities, the "Welcoming Group" will develop a network of parent mentors. As mentors, parent veterans of the school system will be partnered with newcomers to answer their questions about our schools and provide insight into our community.

The "Welcoming Group" will also offer several social activities during the school year to give new parents the chance to meet other newcomers and community members. According to co-chair Marsha Bieber, these events will be a great chance for all of us to develop a strong sense of belonging in our schools and community. The first event is scheduled for Friday, Nov. 21 at Cherry Creek from 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. A continental breakfast will be served and youngsters are welcome!

Co-chairs Marsha Bieber and Nancy Hopkins would like to hear from you if you're interested in being involved as a mentor or need help as a new parent. Please call Marsha at 897-6908 or Nancy at 897-0056.

**VARSITY FOOTBALL COACH RECOGNIZED BY DETROIT LIONS**

Noel Dean was named prep coach of the week by the Detroit Lions for his role as varsity football coach at Lowell Area Schools.



Currently, the Red Arrows have a 4-1 record. Last year, Dean led the team to a 7-2 finish. As prep coach of the week, Dean will receive a framed certificate signed by NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue, Lions coach Bobby Ross, and former Lions player Gene Washington. He will also receive a personalized game ball. The Red Arrows will receive a \$500 donation to the football program and will be honored at the Lions-Jets game on December 21. Dean was selected by a panel of three Michigan sports writers - Hugh Bernreuter from the Saginaw News, Jane Bos from the Grand Rapids Press and Mick McCabe from the Detroit Free Press.

The success of the football team under Noel's leadership is from an emphasis on lessons off the field as well as on the field. Athletic director Barry Hobla notes that Noel "gets the team involved in giving back to the community." The Red Arrows' team works to raise money for the library and participates in a reading program at the local elementary schools.

Congratulations, Noel Dean!

**STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY**  
No School For Students K-12  
Thursday, October 30, 1997

**CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3**  
Alto K-5 and Cherry Creek 2-5 • 4:30 - 8:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4**  
Bushnell Elementary K-1  
4:30 - 8:30 p.m.  
Middle School  
5:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
High School/New Dawn/Unity  
4:30 - 8:00 p.m.  
Full day for students and staff K-12

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5**  
Middle School  
6:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
Full Day for students and staff K-12

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6**  
Alto K-5, Bushnell K-1, Cherry Creek 2-5  
1:30 - 4:30 and 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.  
Middle School  
12:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
High School/New Dawn/Unity  
4:00 - 7:30 p.m.  
1/2 day for students; full day for staff

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7**  
No school for students and staff K-12

**UNITY vs MEIJER BOTANICAL GARDENS**  
By Angie Briggs (student)

What happens when thirty-three Unity High School students, three teachers and a bus driver visit Meijer Botanical Gardens for two hours? A whole lot of fun! When we first arrived, we had to wait 15 minutes. After the wait, we went inside to start the excitement. Everyone went their different ways, which was better because we were not so crowded. There was the Victorian room, the Dessert room, the Tropical room and the gift shops. In the Tropical room, there were little baby quails that were so cute. You would be amazed as to what people said about the cute furry birds.

When our exploration of the inside was completed, we drifted outside. There was a one-mile trail that led us all around. While walking we saw apple trees, wild flowers, a pond and sculptures. The sculptures they had were gigantic. These included monkeys, exotic birds, pigs, frogs on lilly pads and every other thing you could imagine.

**LOCAL PARENTS TO ATTEND ADVOCACY TRAINING**

Parent support is a critical aspect of our Gifted and Talented program. Parents need to share with other parents experiences and concerns about their GT kids. Parents of the gifted have found it necessary to advocate at several levels for appropriate educational programs.

Kim Griffioen and Paula Blumm will be attending Parent Leadership training as a team to develop the art of advocacy. This training is funded by the Nicholas Green Education Fund Grant, awarded to state affiliates of the National Association for Gifted Children. Michigan is one of only two states to receive this grant.

Dottie Roth, the GT coordinator for LAS, has invited Kim and Paula to lead the Parent Support Group of Lowell Area Schools' Gifted and Talented program. Meetings are open to all interested parents. Meetings will be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month (except December) from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the board room of the Administration building at 300 High Street.

The parent support meeting on October 28 will feature a speaker, Jonathan Gamm, L.L.P., C.S.W. He will speak on helping our children with social and emotional difficulties. Call Kim Griffioen, 897-6755 if you can attend.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The Board of Education meets the second Monday of each month. All interested people are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings which are held in the Administration Building (Runciman, 300 High St.) beginning at 7:30 p.m.

**BOARD MEMBERS**

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**SCHOOL CLOSING INFORMATION**

Parents should listen to radio stations: WCJZ, WGRD, WJFM, WKTH, WLAV, WLHT, WOOD, OR WZZM-TV when the weather is bad. Every effort will be made to have the notice of school closings on the air by 6:45 AM.



# Helping your children identify needs and desires will provide them with motive

**Editor's Note:** This is the last in a series of four articles dealing with goal-setting, motivation, visualization, success and balance in one's life.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Parents may not be able to motivate their children, but they can help their children identify needs or desires that serve to springboard the child to action.

"How do you motivate your child? You don't," said Tonia North, a representative with Growth Through People, Inc. "However, parents can do help kids discover what their motive is. Motivate comes from two words - motive and action.

If a five-year-old wants something, give him/her a series of steps (objectives) he/she must do to attain it. North suggests making the steps easy, but make more of them.

"Let's say the motive is a new bike. Sit down and help your child write a list of ways to get the bike," North said. Earning money is obvious. How? Will you match funds? Are

other incentives in order like grades, cleaning?"

Parents and educators who team up to give kids tools to attain goals and make decisions will see a greater ability to focus on larger questions.

"Kids who know where they are going will apply themselves in school because they've made the connection between school and their goals," North said.

Many students don't know what they want to do. North believes a lot of this has to do with conditioning. "Kids spend more time being told 'what to do' than deciding 'what to do.'"

Goal setting techniques can help kids in determining what it is they want to do. "Get them to think about their strengths, hobbies and what they enjoy doing," North said.

A kid may start out wanting to be a professional athlete and realize they would like to be a sports trainer or physical therapist.

However, some may have no idea what they want so it may mean starting with life skills that can be used in whatever they choose to do. There are four basic life skills that North identifies:

1. Success - learning from others who have been successful. Study what it is they did.

2. Communication - learning how to communicate successfully with family, friends, and co-workers.

3. Money - learning and understanding how to spend, save, budget and invest money.

4. Productivity - getting the most out of your time. Example - A guy who makes \$60,000 a year in sales doesn't work twice as hard as a salesman making \$30,000, but he is more productive, bringing more value with his time.

As they learn more about areas of interest through the use of communication, research of successful people, productivity and the use of money these basic skills can help them narrow their focus.

It also makes answering that dreaded "what do you want to do when you grow up" a little easier.

"If you want to motivate you children, the answer is helping them discover what motivates them," North said. "That means helping them discover the power of goal setting.

# City uses state monies to purchase computer equipment

By J.N. Boorsma  
Contributing Writer

The city will be giving up its one-time state allocation of \$1,125 for new computer equipment.

The equipment will enable Lowell to send information about qualified voters within its limits, as well as inform the state of election results. In return for establishing a registration file with direct ties to the state, the state government was to give Lowell 45 cents for each qualified voter. City clerk Betty Morlock said that would amount to around \$1,125, which will now be turned over to Kent County who is purchasing the equipment for Lowell.

"Our county has usually been very much ahead on these matters," Morlock said. "The county began looking into a

countywide registration system in the late 1980's, but when the state began to look at it, the county put its program aside."

The state finally did go through with its plans for a statewide registration of qualified voters. However, under that plan, the state would only purchase computers for municipalities of 5,000 or larger.

Because the county already had the money set aside for the systems, county officials and the Kent County Board of Commissioners decided to purchase the computers for the county municipalities that were below 5,000 in population, Morlock said.

In return, those municipalities were asked to relinquish the 45 cents per voter name from the state to help cover the costs of the computers.

The Lowell City Council at its Monday night meeting unanimously agreed to turn over the money to the county.

While uncertain of how much the computer is valued at, since the state is buying all the units in one bulk purchase, Morlock said the computer package will include the computer, color monitor, parcode barcode reader, a laserjet printer, oracle license and support for one year, all warranties, Netscape 4.0 Communicator and one-year subscription. The city would be responsible for maintenance and internet charges amounting to \$450 per year. This would continue to provide access to a statewide voter file, Morlock explained.

Earlier this month, the city council approved that a portion of its old council chambers be remodeled to house the new office area for the computer.

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## LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP NOTICE

PLEASE BE NOTIFIED that the Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on

MON., OCTOBER 27, 1997 at 7 PM

at the Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash, SE, Lowell to consider the request of Thomas Karp to rezone approximately 72 acres in Section 5 of Lowell Township (PP #41-20-05-201-014 at Foreman and Cumberland) from R-1, Rural Low Density Residential to R-2, Medium Density Residential to permit more building sites. Copies of the tentative plans and the Township Zoning Ordinance may be examined at the Township Office during regular office hours.

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