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## School district to recoup \$1.19 million from Durant Case

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

As the state aid picture sits right now, it's better than it was before the Durant settlement.

With the settlement came answers to the foundation grant and schools' retirement contribution rates.

"It is better as it sits now. However, state aid and the Durant settlement should have been separate issues," Lowell Schools' business director Connie Gillette said.

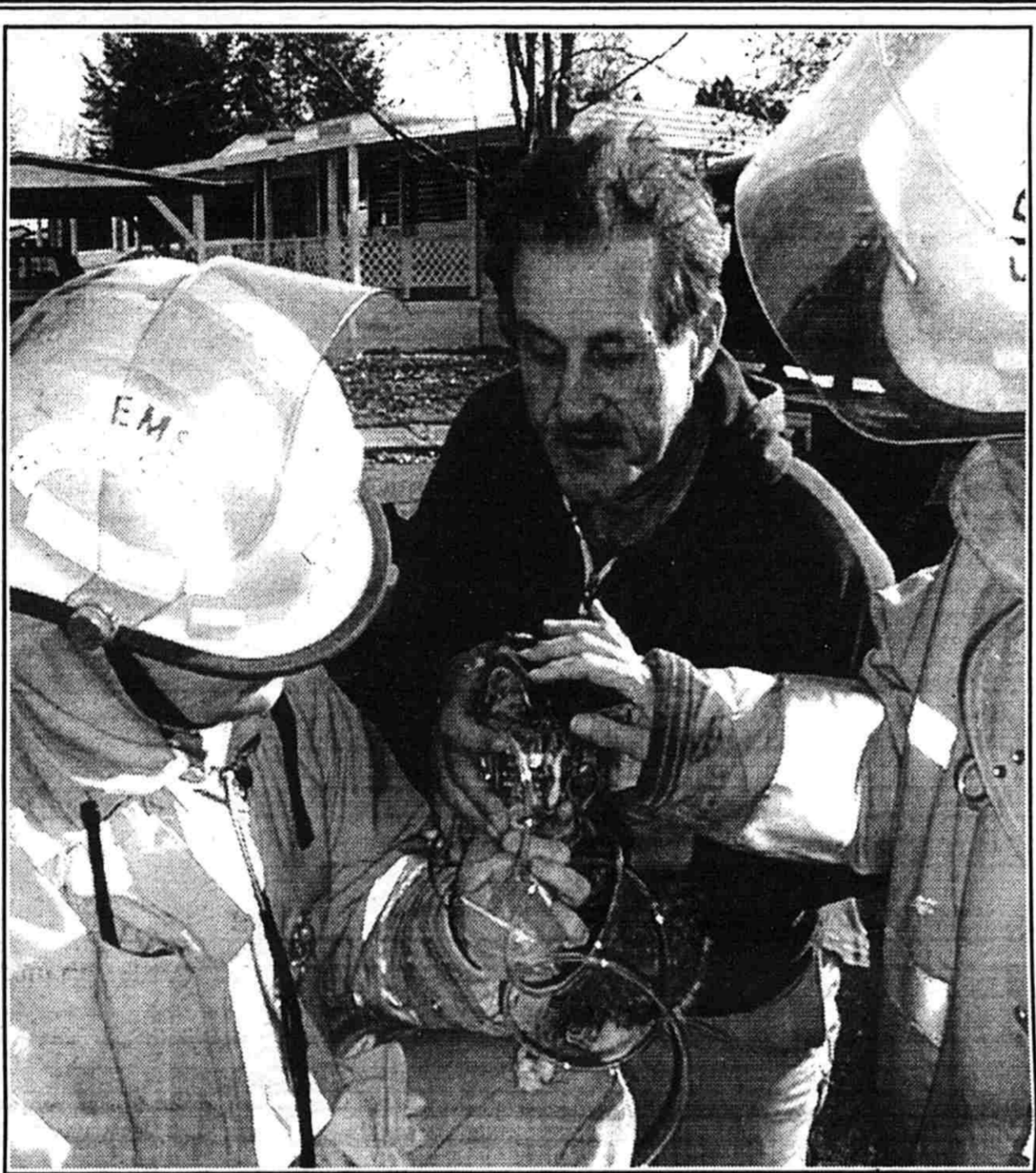
Schools' contribution to retirement was cut to 11.12 percent, down from 14.66 percent in October of 1996. This will mean a reduction in expenditures of approximately \$400,435 for the Lowell School District.

As of two weeks ago, the school district's budget was operating on a \$427,008 deficit budget. With the savings from retirement, the budget now reflects revenues at \$223,427. "These budget numbers also reflect proposed cuts of \$250,000," Gillette said. "If we spend nothing more and nothing less, I am confident the \$223,427 will hold."

Some may question the need for such deep cuts with news of the retirement rate contribution cuts. Lowell's business director says to look no further than next year when the state will freeze the school's foundation allowance.

"While many schools will benefit more from the retirement rate decrease, we would have gained more through an increase in the foundation grant," Gillette said.

The difference between what Lowell would have gained through next Durant, cont'd, pg. 8



Firefighters give Arlene Andree's cat Muffy some oxygen after she was rescued from the back bedroom of the trailer.

## Stove may have been cause of Key Heights' fire

••• Arlene Andree, a resident at Key Heights for 28 years, lost her trailer in a Saturday morning fire.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

A fire destroyed the trailer of Arlene Andree's at 50 Eleanor St. in Key Heights Village Saturday morning.

Andree, awakened by the unusual chill in her trailer early that morning, turned the oven on for a little warmth.

Many hours later, Andree's son Terry saw flames shoot up from behind the stove while trying to light the pilot light to their furnace.

Lowell fire chief Frank Martin said the cause of the fire was undetermined and was still being investigated.

Lowell firefighters were called to the scene at 10:15 a.m.

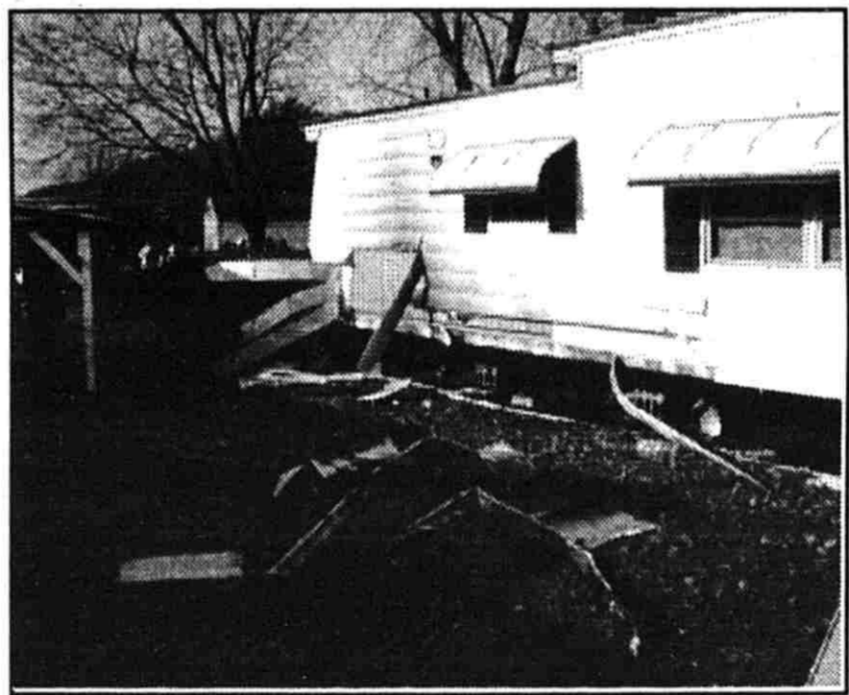
Andree's neighbor Virginia Washburn came over and took Arlene to her trailer.

Andree has been a

resident in Key Heights for 28 years. "I was the 12th resident to move into the park," Andree explained.

Living with Andree for many of those years have been her two cats Buffy and Muffy. "They are both 17 years old," Andree said.

After his mother was safely removed Key Heights, cont'd., pg. 8



## Public hearing set for addition of light industrial zoning district

By J. N. Boorsma  
Contributing Writer

While there may not be a need for it now, the Lowell Planning Commission has decided to go full steam ahead on recommending the addition of a new zoning district—light industrial.

The commission unanimously agreed to host a public hearing on the proposed zoning at its next regular meeting, which will be in January.

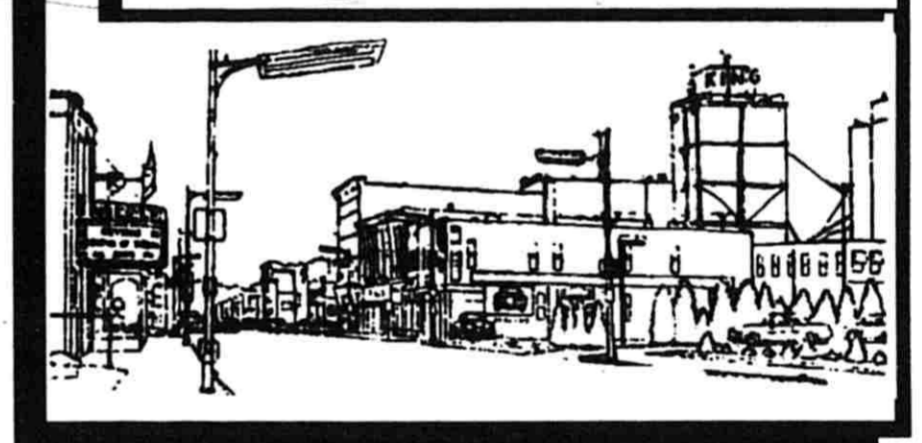
*If we don't have it in place, I predict we will have a usage that doesn't conform and we will have to arbitrate between existing zonings.*

Mike Blough  
Lowell Planning Commission Chairman

The light industrial zoning would be for industrial and related uses which are lower intensity uses than those permitted in the industrial district. The new district could be used as a buffer between industrial and less intensive uses. For that reason, the district would permit compounding, assembling or treatment of articles or materials, but would not allow for heavy manufacturing or the processing of raw materials.

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## Along Main Street



### ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB MEETING

The Lowell Area Schools Athletic Booster Club will hold their regular business meeting at the high school staff lounge on Monday, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m. Please come and help us support our athletes.

### GARDEN CLUB MEETING

The Lowell Showboat Garden Club Christmas party will be held Wednesday, Dec. 3, at Schneider Manor. Call Sue at 897-9331 after 4 p.m. with any questions.

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## LL&P completes repair work from August fire

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Approximately 200 Lowell Light & Power (LL&P) customers were without power for six hours Sunday while repair work was being completed at the north end substation.

American Electric Power (AEP) out of St. Joseph, Mich., replaced the cables between the switch gear and transformer which were damaged by the transformer fire on Aug. 19. It also replaced the secondary cabinet on the north substation

transformer with a rebuilt cabinet. The existing one was burned in the fire.

The cost for the work completed by AEP was \$14,500. This does not include Lowell Light & Power expenses (manpower).

"Lowell Light & Power is very appreciative of the patience and tolerance of our customers," said LL&P superin-

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# OBITUARIES

**BORGERSON** - Raymond Borger Borgerson, aged 90, of Lowell, passed away November 21, 1997. Borgerson was born Sept. 30, 1907 in Suttons Bay, Mich. He was eighth in a family of 10 born to Norwegian immigrants Johan and Ella Borgerson.

His family owned a hotel and bar. In 1918 the effects of Prohibition eventually led to the closing of the bar and the family selling the hotel. The family moved to Lowell and took up the grocery business, from which Johan and Ella eventually retired.

Ray Borgerson, a Lowell High School graduate, was involved in business. He represented several tobacco companies and the E. Rauk Fertilizer Company. Later he would go into business of buying and selling antiques.

Borgerson served in the United States Army in England, France and Belgium

away November 24, 1997, in Ionia. She was born July 16, 1922, in Cicero, Illinois, the daughter of Charles and Levina (Rankin) Marek. She married Lyle Denny July 22, 1941, in Saranac; he survives her in Saranac. Also surviving are sons Ralph Denny, Norman and Kathleen Denny, Lyle G. and Diane Denny Jr., Phillip and Vicki Denny, Douglas and Marlene Denny, Paul Denny, all of Saranac; daughters Emily Kelly of Saranac, Pamela and Kenneth Ruid of Saranac; brothers Robert and Lyn Marek of Florida, Charles and Mary Lou Marek of Ohio; sisters Frances and Charles Hamilton of Sand Lake, Barbara Taylor of Saranac; two brothers-in-law Bert and Barbara Denny of Belmont, Glenn and Joan Denny of Indiana; 20 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews. She was a member of Saranac Community Church. Funeral services will be held Wednesday (today) 1 p.m. at the Galilee Baptist Church in Saranac with Rev. James Frank officiating. Interment Saranac Cemetery.

Anyone wishing may make contributions to the Saranac Fire Department. Arrangements by Lake Funeral Home, Saranac.

**PHILLIPS** - Richard George (Dick) Sr., aged 73, of Kentwood, passed from this world on Thursday, November 20, 1997, at Butterworth Hospital. He will be greatly missed by his wife of 53 years and best friend, Betty Jane (Voltz); son Richard George Jr. (Rick) (Yuko) of Lowell; daughter Lynn Dee (Bill) Hekker of Grand Rapids; grandchildren Eric, Jason and Stacey Phillips and Onalee Smith; sister, Virginia Jane (Morris) Avery of Charlevoix and Yuma, AZ; nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his brother Robert. Dick graduated from South High School, G.R.J.C. in accounting and attended U of M School of Engineering. He worked with Stickley Furniture, Kelvinator, GM#2 and Lear Siegler. Dick and Betty established A-1 Dry Cleaners in 1959 and operated the business together until retirement in 1990. Dick also established A-1 Accounting and Tax Service in 1969 and operated until recently. Dick was a U.S. Navy veteran of WWII. He worked hard, played hard and enjoyed life to the fullest. In keeping with his wishes, cremation has taken place. A memorial service is to be announced at a later date. Memorial contributions to the charity of choice.

**PHILLIPS** - Norman's life began January 18, 1919, in Traverse City, MI, the son of the late Archie and Hilda Phillips. He was an Army veteran and a member of the American Legion Post #89 Allegan. Norm was an accomplished parachutist and had performed at the state fairs with the Daredevil Skydivers jumping out of hot air balloons. He also enjoyed fishing, card playing and his family recalls his fondness for telling jokes and stories. His family includes his wife Vivian (Dunklee) Phillips; four stepsons, Warren Dunklee of Tennessee, Steven Dunklee of Fulton, Jerry Dunklee of Allegan, Timothy Dunklee of Martin; his four sisters Myrtle Lasco of Florida, Josephine Morris of Cedar Springs, Viola Avila of AZ, Lois Werkema; one brother James Phillips of Lowell; four grandsons; six granddaughters; many nieces and nephews. Norm's walk on earth was completed Friday, November 21, 1997, in Allegan. He was preceded in death by his two brothers Ivan and Joseph Phillips and a sister Grace Miller. Celebration of Life Service was held Monday at Plainwell Chapel. Burial will follow in the family plot in South Martin Cemetery. Memories of Norm may be shared with the family on line at [www.rdmg.com](http://www.rdmg.com).

**DENNY** - Dorothy M. Denny, aged 75, of Saranac, passed

Lake Funeral Home in Ionia.

**WISNER** - Marie Wisner, aged 99, of Grand Rapids, formerly of Lowell, went to be with her Lord on Wednesday, November 19, 1997. She was preceded in death by her husband Otto Wisner. She is survived by her children Allen (Marian) Wisner of Lowell, Lloyd (Joyce) Wisner of Saranac, Lucille Laven of Grand Rapids, Frances (Donald) Pelon of NC; 22 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; 3 great-great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Saturday at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Mr. Ralph Van Ryn of Northwest Gospel Hall officiating. Interment Oakwood Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Resthaven Home, 1424 Union NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49505. Arrangements by Roth-Gerst, Lowell.

**ZOODSMA** - Benedict "Ben" Zoodsma, aged 74, of Cascade Township, passed away Nov. 24, 1997. Surviving are his wife Alice; their children Jill Mann of Atlanta, GA, Joy and Mike Isham of Atlanta, GA, Sandi and Bob Sheppard of South Plainfield, NJ, Ben and Sue Zoodsma of Lowell, Mary and Jim Wert of Cascade, Amy and Garth Banninga of St. Johns, 10 grandchildren, one brother Roger and Fran Zoodsma of Byron Center; one sister-in-law Barbara Zoodsma of Washington, OH; numerous nieces and nephews. Mr. Zoodsma was predeceased by his son Jack Zoodsma in Viet Nam and a brother Lester Zoodsma. He was the former owner of Thornapple Hardware, a longtime volunteer for the Cascade Fire Dept., and a lifelong member of Ada Community Reformed Church. Funeral Services will be Saturday at 2:00 p.m. in Ada Community Reformed Church, the Rev. Thomas Bartha officiating. Interment Cascade Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Ada Community Reformed Church Building Fund, Other Way Ministry or Habitat for Humanity of Kent County. The family will receive friends Thurs. 6-9 p.m. and Fri. 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at Metcalf & Jonkhoff Funeral Service, 4291 Cascade Rd. SE at Kenmoor.

**STOUT** - Marion E. Aldrich Stout, aged 91, of Ionia, passed away November 16, 1997. Surviving are two daughters Dorothy (Lincoln) Dygert of Ionia and Lillian (Pete) Garland of Rodney; one step-son Alton (Doris) Stout of Fenwick; one step-daughter Alice (Darrel) Hesche of Alto; eight grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; several step-grandchildren. Funeral services were held November 19 with burial in Balcom Cemetery. Arrangements by

## Pickup truck lands on its hood after maneuvering to avoid oncoming vehicle

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor



Dale Wilcox, of Grattan Township, in an attempt to avoid a head-on collision, lost control of his truck and came to a stop by a tree. Wilcox incurred minor injuries.

A Ford Ranger sat on its hood. The front right corner of an Eagle Automotive truck was caved in. The cause of the mishap was absent from the scene.

According to Kent County Sheriff Department deputy Ed Knott, a blue Dodge Neon was northbound on Lincoln Lake Road when it crossed the center line into the southbound lane and into the path of Dale Wilcox, Grattan Township.

Wilcox swerved off the side of the road to avoid the northbound vehicle. "In coming back onto the road, he lost control and crossed into the path of the southbound vehicle (Eagle Automotive) which was behind the Dodge Neon," Knott said.

James Wyeth, the driver of the Eagle Automotive truck, said he attempted to avoid the Ranger but hit its tailgate.

"I saw the Neon cross into the southbound lane and directly into the path of the Ranger," Wyeth said.

Wyeth was not injured in the Friday morning accident. Wilcox incurred minor injuries and was transported to St. Mary's Hospital by Lowell Ambulance.



James Wyeth, the driver of this Eagle Automotive truck, caught the tailgate of the Ford Ranger.

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# Reflections

Of Faith

By Tim Harmon  
Lowell Church of the Nazarene

Thanksgiving is becoming a favorite holiday for many people. Of course, it is hard to compete with Christmas, since it is the day we celebrate the birth of our Lord. But Christmas is so commercial and so hectic that many people are finding that Thanksgiving is their favorite holiday. It doesn't demand a lot out of us like Christmas tends to. It just asks us to be thankful and overeat. Now, sometimes it is not easy to be thankful. In fact, sometimes a person just

has to force oneself to be thankful. If you have to use coercion, then you must. For Thanksgiving Day without thanksgiving is just an ordinary day.

Calvin Miller writes that "joy is a discipline." It's something we must work at, much like any other discipline. We can't expect just to be joyful without working at it. The same could be said of being thankful. It doesn't just come naturally to us. In fact, there is a natural tendency for us to be ungrateful. If we are not careful, we'll start taking things for granted. Before long, we might think we deserve all the good things in our lives. We might think we earned them all. We might forget the inherent blessings of our American birthright. We might just forget how "graced" we have been. Or we might start feeling sorry for ourselves, wishing we had what other people have. Of course, there are people who do have more than us. But overall, and certainly on a global scale, we will find that the residents of Lowell have been blessed more than most. We need to be thankful. Thanksgiving is a discipline that must be practiced or the ability to be thankful might well be lost. We have seen some who have lost it.

I recently read a story about a Presbyterian church

in Omaha. All the people in the church were given helium-filled balloons and told to release them at some point in the service when they felt like expressing joy and thanks in their hearts. Whenever they felt like praising the Lord for something, they were to let the balloons go. All through the service, balloons ascended to the ceiling. But when it was over, one third of the balloons were unreleased. A full third of the people had deflated their balloons and evidently just took the balloons home with them. After a day or two, the balloons no longer had the

ability to soar. The time for praise had come and gone. The pathetic, earthbound balloons became a testament to their hearts. Their hearts could no longer soar. Thanksgiving helps our hearts soar. Each of us still has countless opportunities to express our thankfulness to the Lord and to others. During this Thanksgiving season, let your balloons go. Let them fly in church. Launch them at home. Even let a few go at work. Practice the discipline of thanksgiving.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

NOV. 27 - Bonnie Vezino, Kim Harding, Marty Chambers, Chad Uzarski, Elizabeth Roudabush.  
NOV. 28 - Shelly Hildenbrand, Lee Miller.  
NOV. 29 - Margaret Gardner, Gail Thomet, Kelly Sauber, Gary Rivers, Scott Swanson, Tara Propst.  
NOV. 30 - Jason Craig, Todd Ryder, Joe Kiczenski, April McClure.  
DEC. 1 - Travis Briggs, Jack Fonger, Karolyn Batt, Mary Alice Bancroft, Deb Anchors, Denny Brenek II, Joyce Watrous.  
DEC. 2 - Chelsey Treglia, Kari Bergy.  
DEC. 3 - Chris Chambers, Chris Darby, Amanda Sterzick.

## AREA BIRTHS

Jeff and Cara Bouma are pleased to announce the birth of a son, Joshua Alan. He was born Friday, November 7, 1997, weighing 6 lbs. and measuring 19 inches long. He was welcomed home by his brother Mitchell. Proud grandparents are Bud and Ruthann Bouma and Marlene Jackson and the late Carl Jackson.



The name Barbara means "stranger."



Steven and Shannon Eickhoff

## Eickhoff and Hayden united in June wedding

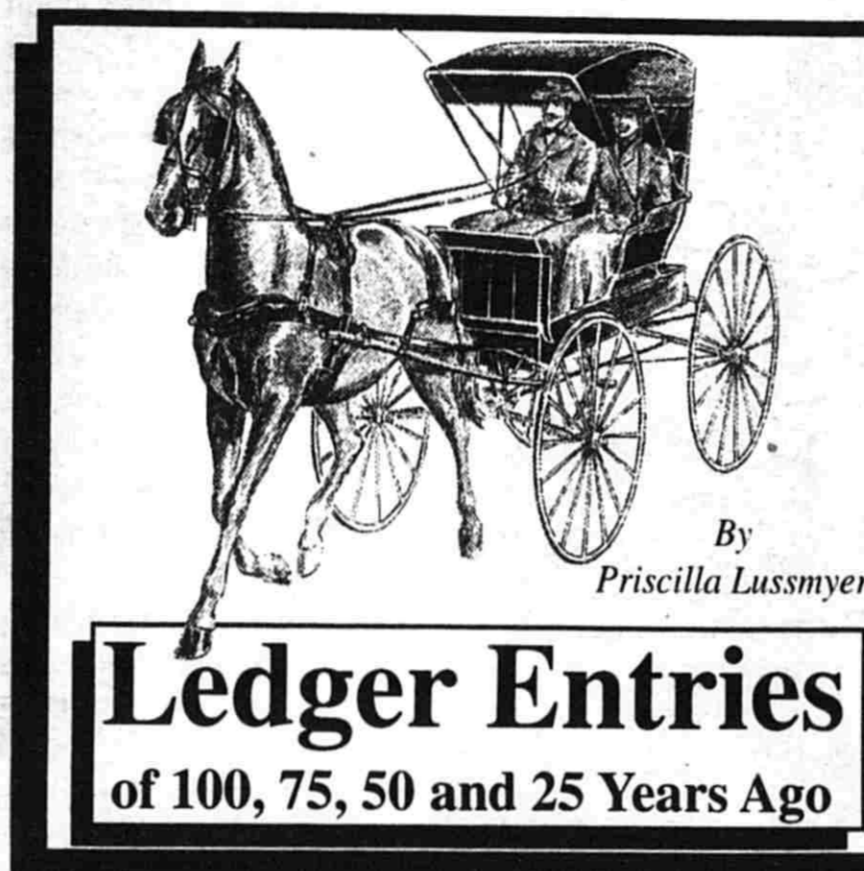
Shannon Marie Hayden and Steven J. Eickhoff were united in marriage on June 21, 1997, at the First United Methodist Church in Lowell.

Parents of the couple are Mike and the late Cathi Hayden, Gary and Sharon Misner, Barb and Gary Dykhouse and Joe Eickhoff.

Serving as maid of honor was Tanya Whalen with bridesmaids Rochelle Ludge, Heidi Spiegel and Laurie Velser. Flower girl was Jessy Knowlton.

Best man was Mike Hayden Jr. with groomsmen Joe Eickman, Darrin Peterson and Jeff Dickerman. Ringbearer was Justin Scott. J.J. Bender and Jason Bender served as ushers.

# Viewpoint . . .



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

### 100 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL LEDGER - NOV. 25, 1897

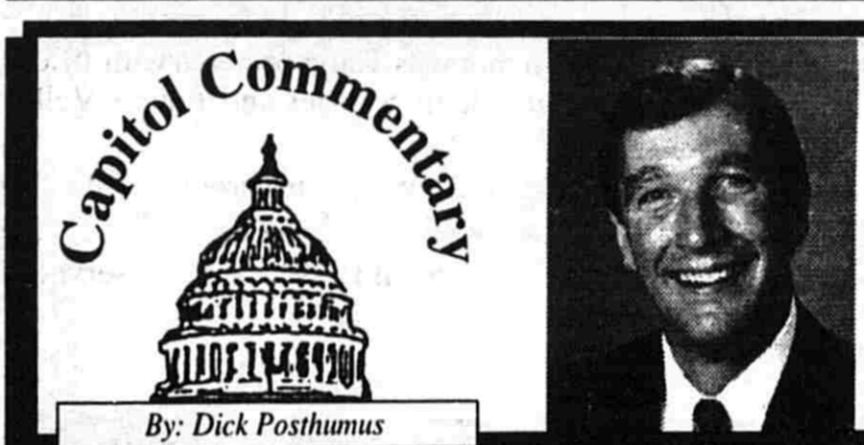
The Lowell Furniture Co. factory burns down. The company was declared insolvent recently and arson is suspected. The building had recently been occupied by the Michigan Cutter & Buggy Company, owned by six local men.

Frank White, township supervisor, publishes a tax table so residents can figure their own. State tax is up, county and township taxes are down, while school taxes are either, depending on the district.

The person who advertised for a lost rubber (overshoe) last week and got it back refused to pay for the ad, notes the editor.

It should be a mild winter; a Portland farmer has winter wheat 8' tall, and his geese, ducks and turkeys are mating.

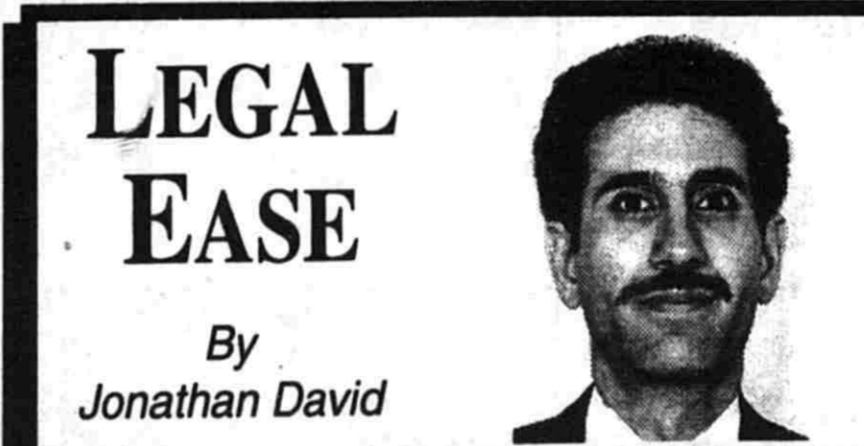
Bicycle croquet is the latest novelty, played on a somewhat larger area and with longer mallet handles, and the ball may be advanced by contact with the front wheel.



In the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, we often forget to take time to reflect on our lives and count our blessings. We are busy preparing meals and planning gatherings with friends and family. Before long, the holidays are gone and we return to the routine of our daily lives. This season, let's try to make the time to reflect on the past year and look forward to the next.

In America, we have many reasons to be thankful. We are constantly reminded of other countries' difficulties as we watch the news, listen to the radio or read the newspaper. Visions of bitter civil wars, starving children and poverty-stricken nations are etched in our minds. When we see sights such as this, we can better appreciate America's unity, promise and abundance.

We have much to be thankful for in Michigan as well. Our



**DEAR JONATHAN:** Last year, my wife and I updated our estate planning which included the implementation of revocable living trusts. The trusts include family trust provisions allowing us to each take advantage of the unified credit exemption amount of \$600,000 so that we can shelter the maximum amount currently allowed from federal estate taxes at both of our deaths, which amount is currently \$1.2 million. Now that the law has provided for a gradual increase of the unified credit exemption amount, do we need to revise our trusts?

**JONATHAN SAYS:** Technically, no. So long as your trust documents were properly drafted, then you do not need to revise those trusts in order to take advantage of the benefits of the increased exemption amount. However, it is always a good idea to review your estate planning at least annually to make

### 75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - NOV. 23, 1922

Wallace Reid in an auto-racing movie, "across the Continent," and a Harold Lloyd extra "Never Weaken," make the Friday-Saturday feature at the Strand special.

It's time to add alcohol to the radiator and make sure your skid chains are handy.

A Detroit judge is sending speeders to jail, and now Woodward Avenue is averaging a nice 20-25 mile-an-hour average.

The Lowell Rod and Gun Club sponsors a dancing party at City Hall with Jack Crawford's orchestra.

### 50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - NOV. 27, 1947

Christmas lighting returns to Lowell for the first time since 1940. 32 strands over Main Street are up through the efforts of the Lowell Light plant, Garden Lore Club, Women's Relief Corps and Board of Trade. Christmas shopping in Lowell is emphasized in every issue.

Railroads issue a plea to parents and schools to help children understand the disastrous results of tampering with railroad equipment.

Sen. Vandenberg and Michigan-born presidential hopeful Thomas Dewey both promote the Marshall Plan (aid to Europe) as necessary to prevent communism from taking over.

Banking the house - stacking leaves, hay or other insulation around the foundation - in preparation for winter is still a country custom for many people.

### 25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - SUBURBAN LIFE - NOV. 23, 1972

Sam Noon bags a 13-point buck near Freeport.

Council will help with costs for filing an application for Public Housing with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, about \$2,500.

Citizens complain that they can't get through to City Hall, so a second phone line is installed.

The newly-formed Kent County Towing Association will ask the Sheriff's Department for fairer treatment of its members on calls, to spread business around.

economy is surging, crime is down, and our educational system is one of the best in the nation. Michigan's unemployment rate has dropped below the national average for 30 consecutive months, after being above the national average for more than 16 years. Something for which each of us can be thankful.

We are truly fortunate for the opportunities we have. However, as we count our blessings, we should not lose sight of those less fortunate than ourselves. Take the time to enjoy family, renew old friendships and build new relationships. Cherish the opportunity to experience loved ones. These relationships can provide the key to keeping the holiday spirit alive all year long.

The holiday season serves as a time during which we can reflect upon the passing year and look forward to the future. As your state Senator, I look forward to the coming year so we can work together to solve the problems of our towns, cities and state. I also look forward to sharing the joys of life with you. We have a busy year ahead of us - many challenges and rewards await us. I am confident that if we work together to continue Michigan's success we will have a pleasant and prosperous year.

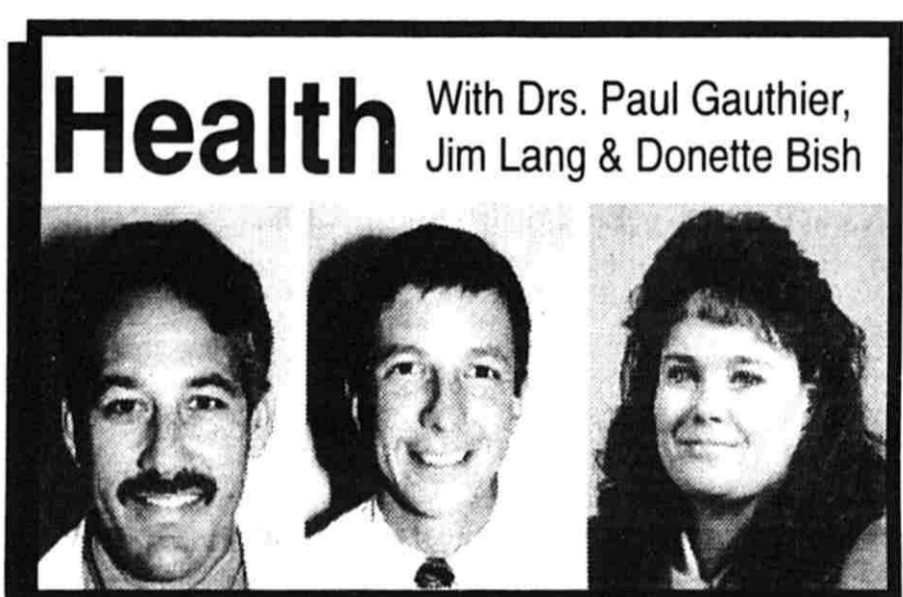
But, for now, I am happy to be caught up in the spirit of the season with family, friends, togetherness and love. Cherish this holiday season and may you find health and happiness in the future.

sure there have not been any changes in your life, financial or otherwise, which may require certain changes in your estate planning.

If your estate consists of a family-owned business, then you may need to make some changes to your current estate plan. Beginning in 1998, an estate which consists of a family-owned business may qualify for an exclusion from federal estate taxes. The amount of this exclusion, when combined with the unified credit exemption amount, cannot exceed \$1.3 million. For example, since the unified credit exemption amount increases to \$625,000 in 1998, then the amount of the exclusion for a family-owned business will be \$675,000.

If your estate consists of a family owned business, I recommend that you meet with an estate planning attorney to review whether you qualify for the family-owned business exclusion and if so, to make whatever changes are necessary in your estate plan to take advantage of this exclusion.

The information contained in this column is not to be construed as legal advice or legal representation and should not be relied upon as such. If legal advice or legal representation is desired, please consult with an attorney.



## MANAGING DIABETES MELLITUS TYPE II

Diabetes is a chronic disease that requires ongoing medical care as well as patient self-care and family education both to prevent acute illness and to reduce the risk of long-term complications. A well-balanced, calorie restricted diet remains a fundamental step in the treatment of diabetes. Another important goal in the treatment is to maintain a normal blood sugar level. Fasting blood sugar should be less than 120 mg; bedtime blood sugar 100-140 mg, and glycosylated hemoglobin less than 7 percent. These are the recommended blood sugar levels suggested by the American Diabetes Association.

Many individuals with diabetes are obese, and do not exercise or follow the rules of diabetes control. Ingrained habits of lifestyle are hard to change. An individual can feel great with elevated sugars, but changing behavioral patterns can reduce sugars and delay the risk of complications.

The following steps can help to maintain a healthier lifestyle living with diabetes:

1. Eat healthy - low fat diet, weight reduction, reduced sugar/sweets and meticulous attention to meal planning.
2. Frequent self-monitoring of blood glucose.
3. Regular exercise. Choose your favorite exercise and do it three-four times a week. Always check first with your doctor.
4. Take your medication (either insulin or pills) exactly as your doctor has instructed. If you are unable to or unwilling to do what is recommended, let your doctor know.
5. Understand how to prevent and treat hypoglycemia (low sugar) and hyperglycemia (high sugar).
6. Develop a support system. A dietician for diabetic education or refresher courses; regular appointments with health care provider to review blood sugar diaries and check blood pressures, cholesterol and other lab work. Annual eye exams and routine foot care. Educating your family about the disease.
7. Talk with your doctor on how to quit smoking.

Treatment begins with understanding diabetes and lifestyle changes. Set goals for yourself and plan specific ways to reach your goals. A very important part of a good diabetes management plan is a team approach with talking openly with your doctor and your family. A good supportive environment with involvement with family and friends will improve your support in staying healthy.

For more information on diabetes, call the American Diabetes Association at 1-800-232-6733 or ask your doctor.

## TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I found last week's article on Endurance Products quite amusing. Two weeks earlier, our city council debated if the presence of a plastic horse should be allowed to remain on a building because of its apparent ugliness. But the same council allows yet another recreation vehicle parking lot to be placed alongside M-21, at the gateway to Lowell.

We don't allow RV parking on our front lawns, but welcome it in our city streets. If the city council's intent is to better the appearance of Lowell, don't worry about the plastic figures on the roof, look at the RVs lined up in a mud lot.

P.S. My two-year-old daughter is already missing the horse.

Dan Kaczanowski

## Letters, Letters, Letters...

The Lowell Ledger welcomes all "Letters to the Editor" for publication on its "Viewpoint" page. Letters can be typed or written. However, we ask that they do not exceed one written page or one typed, double-spaced page.

"Letters to the Editor" should be sent to the Lowell Ledger, 105 N. Broadway, P.O. Box 128, Lowell, MI 49331.

Editing may be necessary for space, clarity and to avoid obscenity, libel or invasion of privacy.

The Lowell Ledger thanks you in advance for your cooperation.



## Week of 12/1 - 12/5 ELEMENTARY

**MON:** Taco w/meat & cheese & lettuce, sweet potatoes, corn bread, syrup, fruit selection, milk.

**TUES:** Lowell Red Arrow Sandwich, homemade veg. soup, crackers, oranges, canned fruit or apple crisp, milk.

**WED:** Chicken nuggets, cheese potatoes, homemade dinner roll, gelatin w/whip or fruit, milk.

**THURS:** Pizza pockets, fruit juice, baby carrots, assorted fruit, milk.

**FRI:** Italian dunkers w/cheese, Calif blend veg., fresh or canned fruit, milk.

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**TUES:** Lowell Red Arrow Sub, quesadilla, cheeseburger, chef salad, yogurt, choice 2, baked potato, dill pickle, half or side salad, oranges or apple crisp, milk.

**WED:** Chicken Frys, cheeseburger, chef salad, yogurt, choice 2, au gratin potatoes, corn, or side salad, dinner roll, gelatin w/whip or fruit, milk.

**THURS:** Pizza pocket, turkey croissant, chef salad, cheeseburger, yogurt, choice 2, oven fries, side salad or cole slaw, assorted fruit, milk.

**FRI:** Italian dunkers w/cheese stick, turkey noodle cass, yogurt, cheeseburger or chef salad, choice 2, Calif blend, fresh carrots or side salad, canned or fresh fruit, milk.

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# Lowell High School November students of the month

Each month four of the 12 Lowell High School departments choose an outstanding student in their particular content area who has shown exemplary work and added effort. For the month of November they are as follows: Business - Lisa Osterhaven; English - Sarah Sper and Amber Bolen; Social Studies - Mike Befus; Foreign Language - Sandi Spicer.

Lisa Osterhaven, a senior, was selected by the Business department. Osterhaven is a very self-motivated student. She is conscientious, thoughtful, neat and accurate and works well individually and in groups. She is very respected by both students and staff. The daughter of Paul and Linda Osterhaven of Lowell, Lisa has been involved in tennis, FFA, International Club, and Project Pals. She has been active with her youth group as a secretary at the Christian Reformed Church

of Lowell. She was in National Honor Society her junior and senior year. She won the Scholar Athlete and Sportsmanship awards for tennis.

Mike Befus is a senior and was selected by the Social Studies department. Befus has produced outstanding re-

sults in A.P. and Honors Government. He has contributed a great deal to the class through participation in discussion, providing many insightful questions and points. Mike,

the son of Ray and Carol Befus of Lowell, has been involved in Marching band. He belongs to Vineyard Christian Fellowship and is a student leader. He plans on attending Calvin

College next year. His favorite class is Honors Government.

The English department has selected two students, Sarah Sper and Amber Bolen, to share the honors. Sper is an exceptional English student having mastered the skills of reading, writing, and speaking. In addition, she has a positive attitude, contributes in class, and looks for enjoyment in all her activities. Bolen has steadily improved over her years at LHS until she is one of the best readers and writers. She is very responsible and serious about the academics and adds to group work with her careful preparation. She is a young woman with high standards of character, thus a good role model. Sper is the daughter of Dave and Ginger Sper of Ada. She has been involved in cheerleading, track, FCA, NHS, International Club, Rotary and Model UN. She has

## Business Matters

Westshore Consulting (formerly Westshore Engineering & Surveying, Inc.) recently announced the appointment of Julie A. (Rutherford) Beaton as corporate president. Beaton, a 1972 Lowell High School graduate, has 20 years of environmental, engineering, and land use consulting experience, and was previously the director of Westshore's Environmental Division. Before joining Westshore in 1994, Beaton was a principal and a director at a national engineering and science consulting firm.

Beaton's appointment coincides with the celebration of Westshore's 15th year in business. The firm started as a small surveying company located in the back of a wood stove store owned by the father of Stephen V. Vallier, P.S. Vallier is currently a vice president of the corporation, and is the elected Muskegon County surveyor. Over the years, the firm has expanded to include engineering and land use planning disciplines. In 1987, Robert L. Schulz, C.P.G., vice president, started the Environmental Division to provide environmental services to our new and existing clients. Continued growth is

expected as the new management team focuses on the expansion of private and public sector Brownfield Redevel-

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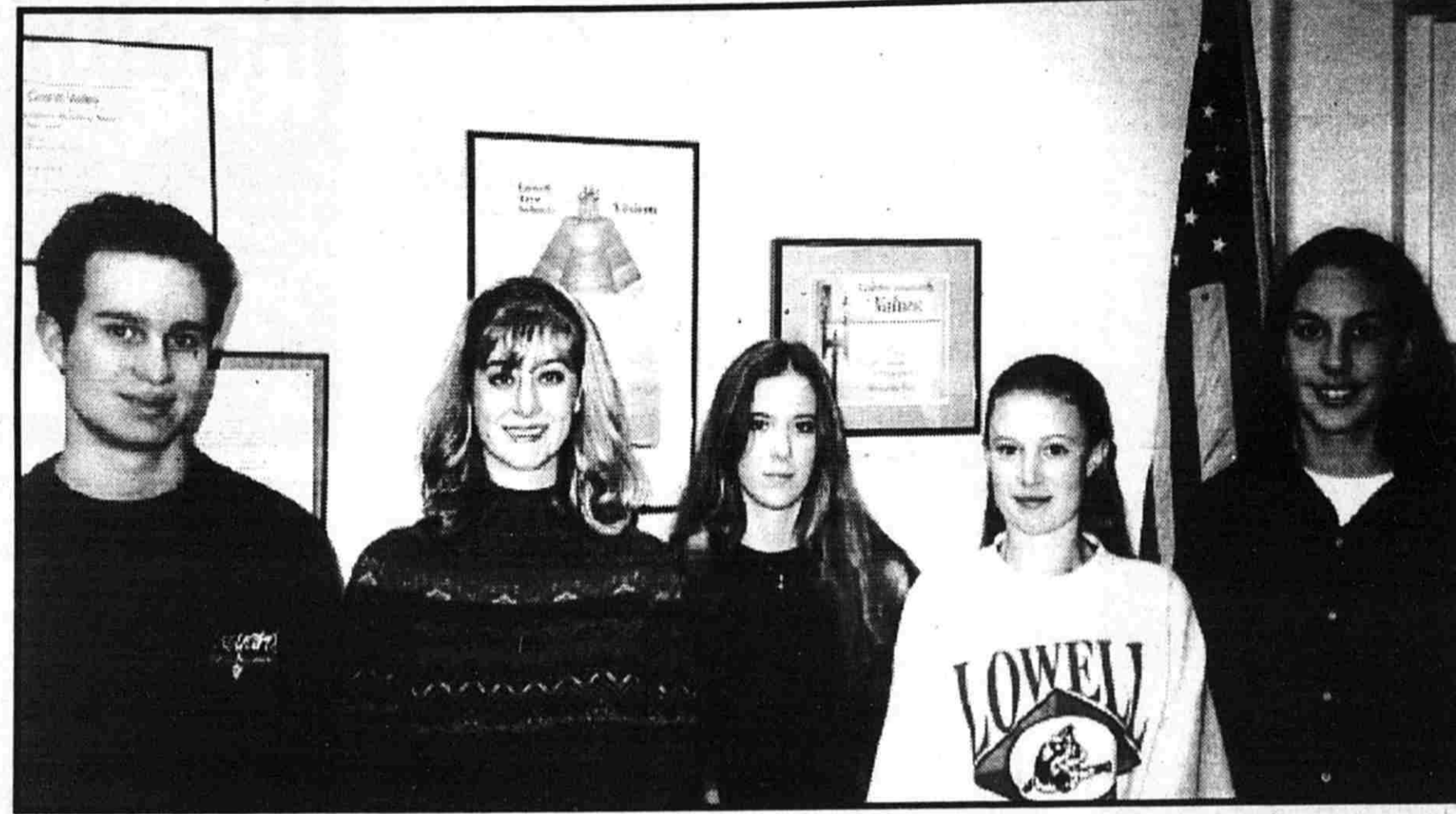
corporation's name has been changed to Westshore Consulting.

## LHS, cont'd... From Page 6

been active at Calgary Church as a nursery volunteer. Sper works at Arnie's as a bakery girl and as a hostess at Carlos O'Kelley's. She is planning to go to college and has applied at schools in California, Illinois, Indiana, and Pennsylvania. Sper received the Coaches Award last year for track and has been on the Honor Roll all four years. Her favorite classes are English and French. She was a National Merit Commended student.

Bolen is the daughter of Robert and Valerie Bolen of Lowell. She is a senior who enjoys horseback riding at least two times a week at Meadowview Farm. Bolen works at Cumberland Retirement Village in Lowell. She

plans on attending Ferris State next year and majoring in the medical field. Her favorite classes are art and math. She puts a lot of care and effort into every assignment. She fully participates in class and is always willing to help others who have questions. The daughter of Steve and Janell Spicer of Lowell, she has been involved in track, cheerleading, gymnastics and was captain of her sophomore and senior soccer teams at LHS. Soccer is Sandi's life, having been active in indoor soccer as well as outdoor. She works at Rowdink Inc., where she is in warehouse parts management. She plans on attending MSU or CMU where she wants to major in architecture, marine biology or interior design. She has been a member of NHS and she likes the Spanish language.



Pictured, from left to right, are: Mike Befus, Sarah Sper, Amber Bolen, Sandi Spicer and Lisa Osterhaven.

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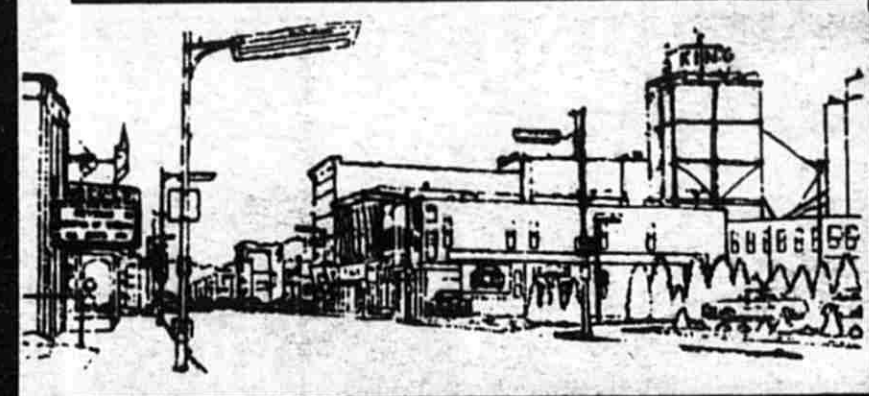
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### Along Main Street



## Zoning, cont'd... From Page 1

Three of the planning commissioners were to have presented a report to the commission on possible areas the new zoning would fit. Only planning commission chair Michael Blough said he had time to review the maps and look at the various options.

"What I would like to see are some of the areas that are zoned industrial, zoned light industrial," Blough said, adding that he did not see any reason to move forward and rezone any area at this point.

Blough said he did believe it was important for the city to have the zoning in place for future planning.

"If we don't have it in place, I predict we will have a usage that doesn't conform and we will have to arbitrate between existing zonings," he said.

It was the general consensus of planning commission members to move ahead to add the text of the light industrial zoning to the city books so it would be in place if ever needed.

## Key Heights, cont'd... From Page 1

from the trailer. Terry grabbed Muffy and put her in the car. "I couldn't get Buffy. She went into the back bedroom," he said.

Arlene Andree was relieved that Lowell firefighter Jim Hodges Jr. rescued Buffy from underneath the bed in the back bedroom.

The cat was a little disoriented from the smoke, but a little oxygen and the comforting arms of Arlene seemed to have Buffy feeling better.

### CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST

The judging for the Christmas Lighting contest will be Wed., Dec. 3. Gift certificates for Lowell businesses to the winners.

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### CUB SCOUT UNIFORMS NEEDED

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## Durant, cont'd... From Page 1

year's foundation allowance grant increase and what it saves in retirement is about \$116,000.

The action taken by Legislature does ensure that schools have a two-year state aid bill. However, it does not assure that schools won't be deficit spending.

Gillette explains deficit spending is likely if staffing level needs increase, retirement costs increase, and salaries and other services increase.

"There are no provisions in the current package that insures schools the retirement rate won't increase," Gillette said. "Schools do not have a say in the investment decisions, and the retirement benefits and rates are made by the state, yet the schools are fully funding it."

It is anticipated that the Lowell School District will receive \$1.19 million from the Durant Case settlement. An annual cash payment equal to one-twentieth of half of the award begins in the fiscal year 1998-99 and continues in the subsequent nine fiscal years. The funds awarded must be spent on school buses, electronic instructional media and software, school security, textbooks, technology, infrastructure or infrastruc-

## LL&P, cont'd... From Page 1

tendent Paul Christman. "We recognize that the customers were inconvenienced."

Christman added that everything damaged in the fire is now in good shape.

The cause of the August fire was a mechanical failure in the tap changer.

Scout uniforms for their boys. Anyone wishing to donate a uniform please contact Mark Mundt at 897-4209.

### FREE CARRIAGE RIDES FOR THE HOLIDAYS

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ture improvement, training for technology, or to reduce or eliminate voter-approved debt.

Schools have two options in collecting the second half of the settlement total. They can sell bonds for half of the total with the state reimbursing schools their annual bond payments. Schools would begin receiving proceeds from these bonds beginning May 15, 1999. Or they can opt to have the state give them an annual cash payment of one-thirtieth of the total over 15 years. The use of these monies is restricted to reducing or eliminating voter approved debt, tax obligation debt, or depositing the annual payment into the district's sinking fund.

The \$250,000 in cuts which the school has proposed will be finalized at the Dec. 8 board meeting. The capital outlay and contingency fund will provide \$110,000 of that total.

Gillette says the cuts will not include staff or services.

Lowell will receive about \$18,000 more in At-Risk monies, bringing the total to \$181,000. Special Education will remain at \$150,000.

## Wisner attends engineering workshop

Julie Wisner, a senior at Lowell High School, along with several other area high school students, recently participated in Michigan Technological University's Women in Engineering Workshop (WIE). WIE is a week-long investigation of engineering careers in areas such

as mechanical, environmental, electrical, chemical, civil, geological, metallurgical and mining engineering.

Students with strong mathematics and science backgrounds and an interest in technological studies were chosen to participate.



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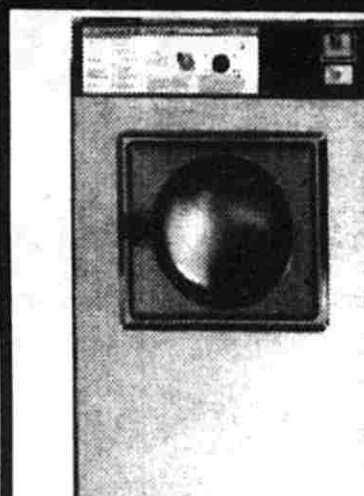
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## FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 28 THRU DECEMBER 4

Hector Elizondo, Roma Downey, Eric McCormack and Sarah Rosen Fruitman (clockwise from left) star in the drama *Borrowed Hearts*. Airing Sunday on CBS, the TV movie tells the story of a struggling single mother who agrees to pose as her employer's wife to help him impress a wealthy prospect.

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SUNDAY MORNING NOVEMBER 30, 1997. Table with columns for time slots (5:00, 5:30, 6:00, 6:30, 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, WOV, WGVU, WXMI, WOOD, WKAR, WZZM, WSYM, TBS, FAM, FX, USA, DISC, WGN, ESPN, CNN, NICK, A&E, PASS, TNT, NASH, TRAV, TLC, SCIFI, HIST, AMC, DISN, HBO, MAX).

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MONDAY EVENING DECEMBER 1, 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, WXMI, WOOD, WKAR, WZZM, WSYM, TBS, FAM, FX, USA, DISC, WGN, ESPN, CNN, NICK, A&E, PASS, TNT, NASH, TRAV, TLC, SCIFI, HIST, AMC, DISN, HBO, MAX).

MONDAY LATE NIGHT DECEMBER 1, 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, WXMI, WOOD, WKAR, WZZM, WSYM, TBS, FAM, FX, USA, DISC, WGN, ESPN, CNN, NICK, A&E, PASS, TNT, NASH, TRAV, TLC, SCIFI, HIST, AMC, DISN, HBO, MAX).

TUESDAY EVENING DECEMBER 2, 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, WXMI, WOOD, WKAR, WZZM, WSYM, TBS, FAM, FX, USA, DISC, WGN, ESPN, CNN, NICK, A&E, PASS, TNT, NASH, TRAV, TLC, SCIFI, HIST, AMC, DISN, HBO, MAX).

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WEDNESDAY EVENING DECEMBER 3, 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, WXMI, WOOD, WKAR, WZZM, WSYM, TBS, FAM, FX, USA, DISC, WGN, ESPN, CNN, NICK, A&E, PASS, TNT, NASH, TRAV, TLC, SCIFI, HIST, AMC, DISN, HBO, MAX).

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THURSDAY EVENING DECEMBER 4, 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>	WVMT	WVOT	WGUV	WXMI	WOOD	WKAR	WZZM	WSYM	TBS	FAM
1	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Promised Land "Par for the Course"	Diagnosis Murder "Physician, Murder Thyself!"	DellaVentura "Dreamers"	News	Late Show			
2	American Journal	Real TV	Billy Graham Crusade	Cracker	20/20	News	Nightline			
3	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Practical Sports	This Old House	Michigan Out-of-Doors	Fly Fishing	Great Lakes Outdoors	Waiting for God	Charlie Rose		
4	Home Improvement	Sinfeld	Living Single	Between Brothers	413 Hope St. "Hate Crimes"	Pa-Factor: Chronicles of the Paranormal	Frasier	M*A*S*H		
5	Inside Edition	Extra	Friends	Working	Sinfeld "The Voice"	Veronica's Closet	ER "Union Station"	News	Tonight Show	
6	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Practical Sports	Michigan Out-of-Doors	Building the Mighty Mac	Building the Mighty Mac					
7	Entertainment Tonight	Mad About You	Nothing Sacred	Cracker	20/20	News	Nightline			
8	Frasier	Home Improvement	Living Single	Between Brothers	413 Hope St. "Hate Crimes"	News	Real TV	Keenen Ivory Wayans		
9	Coach "Hurry-Burleigh"	Coach "Vows"	Movie: "Uncommon Valor"	Gene Hackman. A father goes after his son, who is missing in Vietnam.	Movie: "Medicine Man"	(1992) Sean Connery, Jose Wilker.				
10	Waltone "The Braggart"	Movie: "The Angel of Pennsylvania Avenue"	(1996) Robert Ulrich, Tegan Moss. (In Stereo)	Hawaii Five-O "Retire in Sunny Hawaii Forever"	700 Club					
11	Backchat Winter Movie Preview	X-Files "Avatar"	NYPD Blue "Where'd the Van Gogh?"	In Living Color	In Living Color	X-Files "Jose Chung's From Outer Space"				
12	Highlander: The Series "The Return of Amanda"	Walker, Texas Ranger "Devil's Turf"	Movie: "Stolp Or My Mom Will Shoot"	(1992) Sylvester Stallone, Jobeth Williams. (In Stereo)	Silk Stalkings "Dead Asleep"	(R) (In Stereo)				
13	Gimme Shelter	Wild Discovery "Everyday Monsters"	Movie Magic	Wings "The Bear Trap"	Justice Files "Murder One"	(R)				
14	Family Matters	Coach "Homewreckers"	Movie: "Escape From Atlantis"	(1997) Jeff Speakman, Tim Thomerson. (In Stereo)	News	Beverly Hills, 90210 "Meeting Mr. Pony"				
15	ESPN (6:30) Sportscenter	NFL Tonight	NFL Football: Tennessee Oilers at Cincinnati Bengals. From Cincergy Field. (Live)			NFL Sportscenter				
16	CNN	Moneyline	Prime News	Burden of Proof	Larry King Live	World Today	CNN/Sports Illustrated	Moneyline		
17	NICK	Doug	Secret of Alex	Happy Days	Wonder Years	Bewitched	I Love Lucy	Odd Couple		
18	A&E	Law & Order "Blood is Thicker"	Biography: The Marshall Fields: Tradition	Sea Tales "The Halifax Explosion"	Unexplained "Robot Journey Into the Past"	Law & Order "Prince of Darkness"				
19	PASS	(Off Air)								
20	TNT	Lois & Clark: The New Adventures of Superman	Movie: "Escape From Alcatraz"	(1979) Clint Eastwood. A convict plots to escape from the notorious island prison.	Rough Cut	(In Stereo)	Movie: "Heaven's Gate"	(1980), John Hurt		
21	NASH	Dukes of Hazzard "Road Pirates"	Opry Christmas Past	Prime Time Country	Today's Country	(In Stereo)	Dallas	(In Stereo)		
22	TRAV	Loose in Wildest Africa	Loose in Wildest Africa	Amazing America	Castles-Europe	Rough Guide "Kenya"	Amazing America	Castles-Europe		
23	TLC	Home Again	Home Again	Medical Detectives	Without Warning	Connections III "What's in a Name?"	Medical Detectives	Without Warning		
24	SCIFI	Time Trax	Sequest DSV	Forever Knight	VR.5	(In Stereo)	Time Trax	(In Stereo)		
25	HIST	Why We Fight "The Battle of China"	In Search of History "Mexico's Great Pyramids"	Fifties	History Undercover		World at War "Red Star"			
26	AMC	Movie: "With a Song in My Heart"	(1952), David Wayne, Rory Calhoun	Movie: "Hombre"	(1967), Fredric March, Richard Boone		Movie: "The Egg and I"	(1947)		
27	DISN	Spot's Cmas	Movie: "Ernest Saves Christmas"	(1988) (In Stereo) PG	Inside Flubber	Movie: "In the Nick of Time"	(1991), Michael Tucker, Alison La Placa	Movie: "The Christmas Star"	(1986) (In Stereo)	
28	HBO	Movie: "La Bamba"	(1987), Esai Morales (In Stereo) PG-13 (Adult language, violence)	Movie: "Wounded"	(1997) (In Stereo) R (Adult language, violence)	Tenacious D	(In Stereo)	Inside the NFL	(In Stereo)	
29	MAX	(6:00) Movie: "House Arrest"	(1996) PG	Movie: "Real Genius"	(1985), Gabe Jarret (In Stereo) PG (Adult language, adult situations)	Movie: "The Glass Cage"	(1996), Richard Tyson (In Stereo) R	Movie: "Diabolique"		

THURSDAY LATE NIGHT DECEMBER 4, 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>	WVMT	WVOT	WGUV	WXMI	WOOD	WKAR	WZZM	WSYM	TBS	FAM
1	(11:35) Late Show	Late Late Show	Gerardo Rivera		CBS Up to the Minute	(Joined in Progress)				
2	Politically Incorrect	Strange Universe	Paid Program		(Off Air)					
3	WGUV	Charlie Rose	(Off Air)							
4	WXMI	Vibe	Keenen Ivory Wayans	(In Stereo)	Paid Program	Simpsons	(In Stereo)	(Off Air)	Blossom	"The Test"
5	WOOD	(11:35) Tonight Show	Late Night	(In Stereo)	Later	(In Stereo)	Paid Program	NBC News Nightside		
6	WKAR	(Off Air)								
7	WZZM	Politically Incorrect	Martha Stewart Living	Gayle King	News	Access Hollywood	View	ABC World News Now	(Joined in Progress)	
8	WSYM	Keenen Ivory Wayans	Gayle King	Martha Stewart Living	News	Jenny Jones	(R) (In Stereo)	All News Night	All News A.M.	All News A.M.
9	TBS	(10:20) Movie: "Sharky's Machine"	(1981), Drama Burt Reynolds. A vice cop uncovers high-level government corruption.	Movie: "Big Bad Mama II"	(1987) Angie Dickinson, Danielle Brisebois.					
10	FAM	Three Stooges	Paid Program	700 Club	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
11	FX	NYPD Blue "Yes, We Have No Cannolis"	Miami Vice "Bought and Paid For"	Movie: "Fat Man and Little Boy"	(1989, Drama) Paul Newman, Scientist J. Robert Oppenheimer develops the atomic bomb.	Paul Newman, Scientist J. Robert Oppenheimer develops the atomic bomb.	Paul Newman, Scientist J. Robert Oppenheimer develops the atomic bomb.	Paul Newman, Scientist J. Robert Oppenheimer develops the atomic bomb.	Paul Newman, Scientist J. Robert Oppenheimer develops the atomic bomb.	Paul Newman, Scientist J. Robert Oppenheimer develops the atomic bomb.
12	USA	Highlander: The Series "Revenge of the Sword"	La Femme Nikita "Noise"	Movie: "Fat Man and Little Boy"	(1989, Drama) Paul Newman, Scientist J. Robert Oppenheimer develops the atomic bomb.	Paul Newman, Scientist J. Robert Oppenheimer develops the atomic bomb.	Paul Newman, Scientist J. Robert Oppenheimer develops the atomic bomb.	Paul Newman, Scientist J. Robert Oppenheimer develops the atomic bomb.	Paul Newman, Scientist J. Robert Oppenheimer develops the atomic bomb.	Paul Newman, Scientist J. Robert Oppenheimer develops the atomic bomb.
13	DISC	Wild Discovery "Everyday Monsters"	Into the Unknown	Movie Magic	Wings "The Bear Trap"	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
14	WGN	In the Heat of the Night "Judgment Day"	Simon & Simon "What's in a Crone?"	Paid Program	Paid Program	Columbo Lt. Columbo's prime suspect in a homicide case is found murdered.				
15	ESPN	Rodeo Preview	Wheelchair Sports	Golf: Putting Champ.	Golf: Putting Champ.	Up Close	Timber Series	Racehorse Digest	Billiards: 9-Ball	
16	CNN	NewsNight	Showbiz Today	Burden of Proof	CNN/Sports Illustrated	Larry King Live	Crossfire	CNN/Sports Illustrated	CNN International	Newsroom
17	NICK	Mary Tyler Moore	Dick Van Dyke	Rhoda	(Part 2 of 2)	Happy Days	I Love Lucy	Taxi	(Part 2 of 2)	Newhart
18	A&E	Biography: The Marshall Fields: Tradition	Sea Tales "The Halifax Explosion"	Unexplained "Robot Journey Into the Past"	Law & Order "Prince of Darkness"	Movie: "Anatomy of an Illness"	(1984)			
19	PASS	(Off Air)								
20	TNT	(11:00) Movie: "Heaven's Gate"	(1980, Western) Kris Kristofferson, Christopher Walken, John Hurt. Cattlemen battle homesteaders for land in 1890s Wyoming.	Rough Cut	(In Stereo)	Movie: "The Lolly-Madonna War"	(1973)			
21	NASH	Dukes of Hazzard "Road Pirates"	Prime Time Country	Today's Country	(In Stereo)	(Off Air)				
22	TRAV	Loose in Wildest Africa	Loose in Wildest Africa	Amazing America	Castles-Europe	Undersea Adventures	Sports Safari	Taste for Travel	Taste for Travel	
23	TLC	Volcano Daredavils	Connections III "What's in a Name?"	Home Again	Home Again	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	
24	SCIFI	Sequest DSV	Forever Knight	VR.5	(In Stereo)	Boris Karloff Presents Thriller	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	
25	HIST	In Search of History "Mexico's Great Pyramids"	Fifties	History Undercover		World at War "Red Star"				
26	AMC	(11:00) Movie: "The Egg and I"	(1947) Movie: "With a Song in My Heart"	(1952), David Wayne, Rory Calhoun	Movie: "Hombre"	(1967), Fredric March, Richard Boone	Christmas-Once a Year	"The Christmas Star"		
27	DISN	(11:10) Movie: "The Christmas Star"	(1986) Movie: "Ernest Saves Christmas"	(1988) (In Stereo) PG	Movie: "In the Nick of Time"	(1991), Michael Tucker, Alison La Placa	Christmas-Once a Year	"The Christmas Star"		
28	NICK	Movie: "Mean Guns"	(1997), Ice-T (In Stereo) R (Adult language, adult situations, graphic violence)	Movie: "Best of Real Sex"	(In Stereo) R	Movie: "The Godfather, Part III"	(1990) (In Stereo) R (Adult language, graphic violence)			
29	MAX	(11:40) Movie: "Diabolique"	(1996), Isabelle Adjani (In Stereo) R	Movie: "Castle Freak"	(1995), Barbara Crampton (In Stereo) R	Movie: "Intersection"	(1994), Sharon Stone (In Stereo) R	Movie: "Black Out"		

## Planning commission has mixed reviews on Nosko development

By J.N. Boorsma  
Contributing Writer

A local developer has been sent back to the drawing board after his "drastically different" site plan proposal met with mixed review from the Lowell Planning Commission.

Developer Michael Nosko presented a revised site plan for the Maplewood Square project, which is property located on the east side of Ridgeview Drive between Sibley and West Main. Last month, Nosko proposed placing 28 single-family homes on a little over two acres of property.

Nosko had reduced the number of homes to 24, increasing the lot space to 36 feet. He also created additional parking by adding a second parking garage allowing for two parking spots, one in the garage and one in front of the garage, per home. He also created 34 parallel parking spots along the street for the 24 proposed homeowners.

Even with dropping the number of homes by four, the general consensus from the planning commission was it was simply too many houses being packed in on one lot.

"I see the economics of this project driving the land and not

what might be best for the land," said planning commission chair Michael Blough.

While some of the planning commissioners said they could endorse the idea, which has been used in a number of larger cities to fill small parcels and alleys, they could not support it because of concerns over the lack of green space and the parking arrangements.

Seeking some guidance from the planning commission, Nosko asked what the members would prefer to see with the general consensus turning toward multi-family housing, which had been approved by the commission at an earlier time.

Nosko said he was trying to do what he felt was practical and would best fit with the uses surrounding the property, which includes commercial, apartments, single-family homes, and a grocery store. He wanted to create affordable single-family homes in the price range of \$75,000—\$91,000 for older couples and young families.

"To have Nosko's proposal fit current city ordinances, there would either have to be some variance or ordinance changes," said city manager David Pasquale, who admitted he was not very comfortable with the overall plan.

Nosko said he does plan to go back to the drawing board and continue to work on the property with hopes of bringing back a new plan for the planning commission's review.

## Local FFA members attend PALS conference

Members of the Lowell FFA chapter attended the fourth annual PALS (Partners In Active Learning Support) Mentoring Conference on November 12 as part of the 70th national FFA convention.

PALS is a mentoring program that matches high school agriculture students with elementary youngsters who have special needs. The program helps those involved to build trust in others and develop positive self-esteem, both of which are critically lacking in many of today's young people. Through this program, high school and elementary students alike explore their interest in plants, animals and the world around them. They get excited about school and through these special one-to-one relationships, they develop stronger social skills.

The conference featured Charlie Jones, national FFA vice president, southern region as the keynote speaker. Following his comments, over 350 elementary school students from Excelsior Springs schools were paired with FFA members from across the country. Morning activities included each pair of students (an FFA member and elementary school student) conducting an agriculture activity and participating in team building exercises. PALS is sponsored by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation as a special project of the national FFA Foundation, Inc.



The name Samuel means "God has heard."

## GRATTAN TOWNSHIP TREASURER'S OFFICE 1997 WINTER TAX

1. TWO PARTY checks are not acceptable as payment for taxes. This includes Federal and State income refund checks and social security checks.

2. Your check must be made out to "Grattan Township."

3. Always include your tax bill for prompt accurate payment of your taxes.

4. Mail your tax bill in the YELLOW envelope provided.

5. If you want a receipt mail all copies of your tax bills (s) with a self-addressed envelope. One copy of the paid tax bill will be returned.

6. Your parcel number must be on your check.

7. PLEASE do not pay our taxes in cash. The township office is not allowed to maintain large amounts of cash on hand and will not have the proper amount of change. Obtain a cashier's check from your bank.

8. DO NOT INCLUDE sewer payments or dog license payments with your tax check. Separate payments are required.

9. After hours deposit your payments in the brass mail slot to the left of the entrance.

**TREASURER'S OFFICE HOURS FOR DECEMBER**

December 2, Tuesday	8am - 5pm
December 5, Friday	8am - 5pm
December 9, Tuesday	8am - 5pm
December 12, Friday	8am - 5pm
December 16, Tuesday	8am - 5pm
December 19, Friday	8am - 5pm
December 23, Tuesday	8am - 5pm

Closed December 24 thru January 4, 1998. If you have any questions please call the township office 691-8450.

Charles R. Palazzolo, Treasurer  
Grattan Township  
Dated 11/11/97

## CITY OF LOWELL SNOW REMOVAL REMINDER

As referenced in the Snow Removal Ordinance #86-1, all occupants or owners of any premises or property are responsible to keep sidewalks and areas adjacent to existing sidewalks clear of snow and ice within twenty-four hours of snow fall.

No person shall cause snow to be piled or discarded upon another premises or property without permission. No person shall cause snow to be piled or discarded upon any public property, street right-of-way, or sidewalk so as to obstruct its normal use.

Any occupant or property owner that violates this ordinance will be fined.

Betty R. Morlock  
Deputy City Clerk.

## TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on December 3, 1997 at 7:30 p.m., the Planning Commission of the Township of Grattan will hold a public hearing at the Grattan Township Museum Building, 11663 Old Belding Road, within the Township, concerning the application of Harley Dryer for a special land use under Section 3.29 of the Township Zoning Ordinance, for a private road to serve parcels of land not having frontage on a public street, and for a special land use under Section 3.53, for approval of land divisions, and for other related purposes, all covering lands commonly described as 10084 Whitten Street and legally described as follows:

The Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 except the West 260.50 feet; and also the North 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4, Section 7, Town 8 North, Range 9 West, Grattan Township, Kent County, Michigan.

All interested persons may attend the public hearing and comment upon the requested special land uses. Written comments may be submitted to the Township office, 11676 Old Belding Road, Belding, Michigan 48809, prior to the public hearing.

Dated: November 21, 1997

PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN

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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.

**EVERY THIRD SUN.:** The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse at 11841 Potters Rd. Just east of Montcalm Ave., potluck dinner, 12:00 p.m., meeting at 1:00 p.m. New members and guests are welcome. No Sept. meeting.

**FIRST 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 THIRD MONDAY:** 4-H Drama Club (Life's a Stage). Open to middle and high school students. The club examines theater related topics and personal development skills. Meetings held once a month at Lowell Middle School choir room. For more information call 897-1502 evenings after 5 p.m.

**EVERY MONDAY:** 7:30 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous. No fees. No dues. No weigh-ins. Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 10305 Bluewater Hwy, 3 miles East of Lowell on M-21. 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 Washington Street. Enjoy activities like hiking and camping and learn skills that can last a lifetime. For more information call 897-6405.

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

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

**EVERY TUES.:** Ladies Coffee break Bible study. Free nursery and preschool story hour/crafts time. Calvary Christian Reformed Church across from Burger King, 10 to 11:15 a.m.

**TUES. THRU SUN.:** Shop at Christmas on Main Street, Lowell Arts Council's World of Unique Gifts. Located at 222 West Main St. Open 1 - 5 p.m. Call 897-8545 for information.

**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. Luke's 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.

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**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.

**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."

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

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

**FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY:** The Alto Lions Club meets at Dari's at 7 p.m.

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

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**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.

**SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH:** The Ada Historical Society meets at the Ada Township office at 7 p.m.

**SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH:** Fellowship of Christian athletes (FCA) meets in individual homes for huddle meetings for fellowship and devotions.

**THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH:** Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) meets in the high school cafeteria during seminar time for planning sessions for activities.

**FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH:** Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) meets at 7 a.m. in high school teachers dining room for a light breakfast. For information concerning FCA call Kris Gallagher at 676-1355 or Linda Johnson at 897-4922.

**EVERY FRIDAY:** Respite day care for the elderly. Activities and respite for the aging person from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call Sister Darlene Wessling, F.S.E. at the Franciscan Child Development Center, 897-7842.

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**WED., DEC. 3:** Lowell Showboat Garden Club's Christmas party will be held at Schneider Manor.

**WED., DEC. 3:** The judging for the Christmas lighting contest. Gift certificates for Lowell businesses to the winners. Sponsored by the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce. For information call 897-9161.

**THURS., DEC. 4:** Vergennes Cooperative Club will meet at Schneider Manor. Punch at noon, Christmas dinner at 12:30, photographer at 1:30, business meeting at 2, Sweet Adeline Quartet at 2:30, collection at 3. Reservations by Dec. 1 to Char Siciliano or Dorothy Randall. Sponsor, Evelyn Briggs.

**DEC. 6, 13, 14, 20 & 21:** The Lowell Chamber of Commerce will be offering free carriage rides throughout the holiday season. Call the chamber for more information at 897-9161.

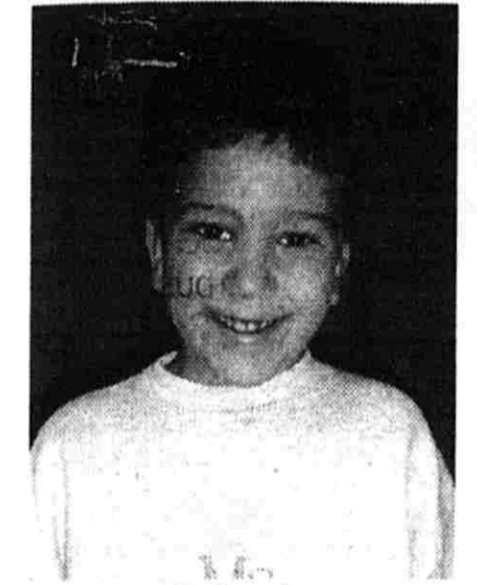
**SAT., DEC. 6:** An all-you-can-eat fish fry will be held at Lowell Masonic Temple from 5-7 p.m. Adults \$6.50; children, 6-10, \$4; under 6 free. Public welcome.

**THURS., DEC. 11: (NOTE DATE CHANGE):** Keenagers will meet at Vergennes Methodist Church at 10 a.m. Christmas ham dinner, bring assigned dish to pass and own table service. Also bring three prizes for the Bingo game.

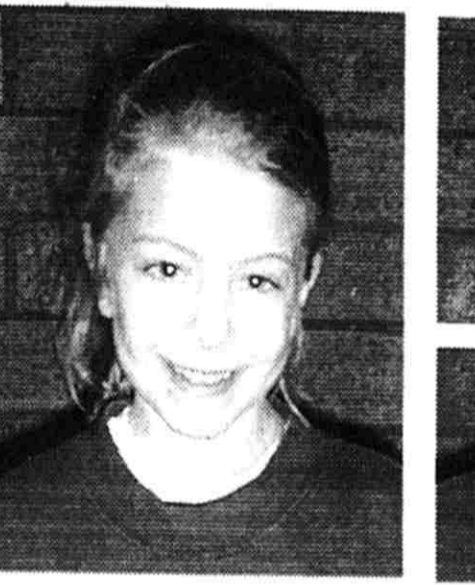
**SAT., DEC. 13:** Testing date for the Snowmobile Home Study Course held at Flat River Snowmobile Club, 11841 Potters Rd. For more information contact the DNR at 456-5071.

## TOWN TALK

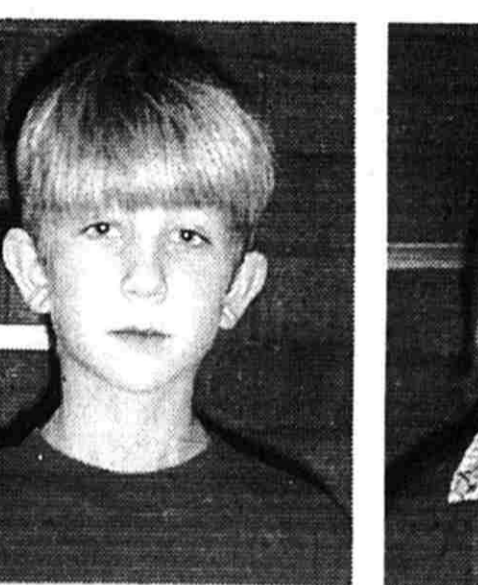
The Lowell Ledger queried eight second graders from Jennifer Bolhuis' room on turkey preparation for the holiday. Here are their responses.



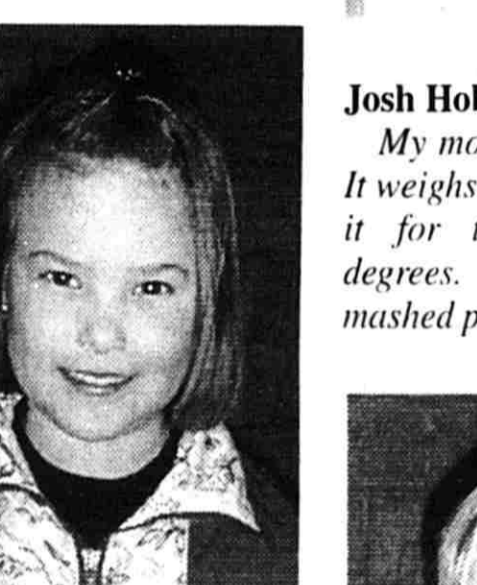
**Tony Dubbink**  
My mom cooks the turkey. It weighs about 15 pounds. She cooks it for 15 minutes at five degrees. We have stuffing, potatoes and drink with the turkey.



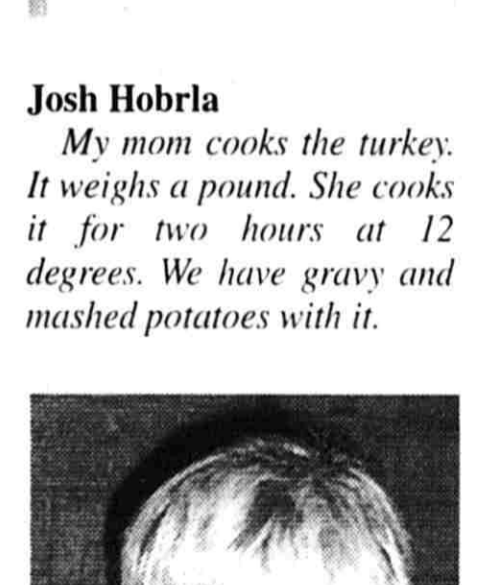
**Rochelle Bieri**  
My grandmother bakes the turkey. It weighs around 10 pounds. She cooks it for an hour at 20 degrees. We have biscuits, fruit salad, stuffing and lemonade with the turkey.



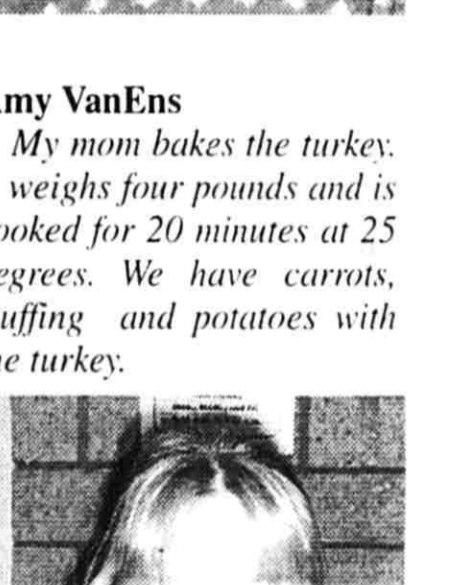
**Cory Hagerman**  
Usually my mom and my aunt cook the turkey. It weighs about four pounds. It is cooked for three hours at 500 degrees. We have salad and vegetables with the turkey.



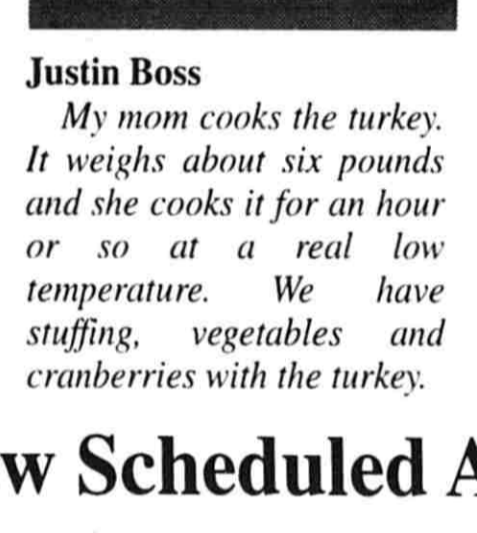
**Devon DeCator**  
My grandpa cooks the turkey. It weighs about 18 pounds. He cooks it at 20 degrees for two hours. He stuffs it with dressing. We have potatoes and pie with it. My favorite pie is apple.



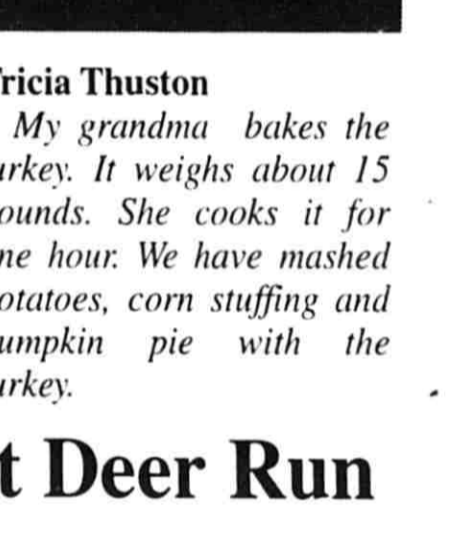
**Josh Hobrila**  
My mom cooks the turkey. It weighs a pound. She cooks it for two hours at 12 degrees. We have gravy and mashed potatoes with it.



**Amy VanEens**  
My mom bakes the turkey. It weighs four pounds and is cooked for 20 minutes at 25 degrees. We have carrots, stuffing and potatoes with the turkey.



**Justin Boss**  
My mom cooks the turkey. It weighs about six pounds and she cooks it for an hour or so at a real low temperature. We have stuffing, vegetables and cranberries with the turkey.



**Tricia Thuston**  
My grandma bakes the turkey. It weighs about 15 pounds. She cooks it for one hour. We have mashed potatoes, corn stuffing and pumpkin pie with the turkey.



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**TOWNSHIP OF GRATTA**  
County of Kent, Michigan

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Planning Commission of the Township of Grattan will hold a public hearing on December 3, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. at the Grattan Township Museum Building, 11675 Old Belding Road, within the Township, concerning a proposed amendment in the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Grattan.

The proposed ordinance would, if adopted, repeal Sections 2.43 and 2.44 of the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to the definitions of private stable and public stable, respectively.

All interested persons may attend the public hearing and comment upon the requested Zoning Ordinance amendment. Written comments may be submitted to the Township office, 11675 Old Belding Road, Belding, Michigan 48809, within the Township, prior to the public hearing.

Dated: November 10, 1997

Planning Commission of the Township of Grattan

## Rogue River Artisans Show Scheduled At Deer Run

The sights and sounds of Christmas will bring combined pleasure to holiday shopping at the 15th annual Rogue River Artisans Show and Sale, Saturday, Dec. 6, from 9:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. at Deer Run Golf Club, 13955 Cascade Road S.E.

This special group of artists and crafts people represent many West Michigan and Northern Michigan communities. A total of more than 30 artists/designers will be featuring one-of-a-kind, unique and beautiful items.

Pottery, wearables, weaving, holiday decor, jewelry, stained glass, bird houses, furniture, sculpture and much more will be exhibited.

Everything is displayed in a festive clubhouse atmosphere of live trimmed trees, fresh poinsettias and Christmas music. Lunch will be available from a special holiday club menu. There is no admission charge.

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We wish for laziness of the wicked and silence of fools.

—Nicolas Chamfort

**BOWNE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

**SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT FOR NON-FARM DWELLINGS**

Notice is hereby given that the Bowne Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on December 11, 1997 at 7:30 P.M. in the Historic Township Hall, located at 8240 Alden Nash Avenue, Alto, Michigan, to hear citizens' comments regarding a proposed Special Land Use Permit for a parcel of land located at 9727 Alden Nash Avenue. The Special Land Use Permit application may be inspected at the Township Offices at 6059 Linfield Avenue, Alto, Michigan, on WednesdayS or Fridays between the hours of 9 and 5 p.m. Written comments concerning the request will be received at the Township office.

November 13, 1997  
Sandra L. Kowalczyk, Clerk  
Bowne Township

**CITY OF LOWELL**

**FALL LEAF PICK UP PROGRAM EXTENSION**

The leaf pickup program will be extended through the first week of December, 1997 by Denny's Disposal. You must purchase leaf bags at the same locations as the trash bags:

- City Hall
- Hahn's Hardware
- Family Fare Supermarket
- Lowell 66 (formerly Phillips 66)

These bags are sold in lots of 20 for \$5.00. They hold 30 gallons and are made of a paper, biodegradable material. The leaves are taken to a compost area.

This is a leaf composting program. Leaves, yard waste and twigs up to 2" in diameter may be placed in the leaf bags. The composting operation cannot accept leaves in plastic bags.

If your trash pickup is Monday or Tuesday, your leaf pickup day is Tuesday. If your pickup for trash is Wednesday or Thursday, your leaf pickup is Wednesday.

If there are any questions, please contact Denny's Disposal (691-8530) or City Hall (897-8457).

**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

**LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR 897-5949**

**MON.:** 8:30 a.m. Walking, Woodland Mall. & shop - 1st Thurs. Eastbrook - others, Woodland 9:30 a.m. craft time; 1 p.m. Euchre.

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

**WED.:** 12:45 Shopping assistance. Center open to 3 p.m. for videos with volunteers.

**THURS:** 9:00 a.m. Walk

**FRI.:** 8:30 a.m. Walking, Woodland Mall - Center open to 3 p.m. for videos with volunteers.

**MON.-FRI.:** Senior meals program, noon.

**Special Events**

**WED., DEC. 3:** 8 a.m. Men's traveling breakfast.

**WED., DEC. 3:** 9:30 - 11:15 a.m., blood pressure.

**FRI., DEC. 5:** 12:30 p.m., Tour VanAndel Museum.

**TUES., DEC. 9:** 12:30 p.m., Meijers & Eastern Floral.

**THURS., DEC. 11:** 12:20 p.m., Tour Sr. meals program, Ronald McDonald House.

**TUES., DEC. 16:** 10:30 a.m., Wellness class.

**WED., DEC. 17:** 9:30 a.m., Advisory Council.

**THURS., DEC. 18:** 12:30 p.m., Walmart/Fruitbasket Flowerland.

**FRI., DEC. 19:** 12:30 p.m., Gerontology Network - reminiscence.

**MON., DEC. 22:** 12:30 p.m., Christmas party, optional gift exchange.

**DEC. 24 & 25:** Center closed. Merry Christmas!

**WED., DEC. 31:** 8 a.m., Women's traveling breakfast.

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

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# Lowell Cable enjoys net profit hike of \$30,000

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell Cable superintendent Paul Christman called the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997 an extremely good one.

The numbers from the audit support Christman's statement. The cable company's net income shot up \$30,184 from 1996.

Christman said the increase was a result of three things:  
• An increase of 60 (from 2186 to 2246) basic cable subscribers.  
• A rate increase that went into effect May 1, 1996.

• A restructuring of the Lowell Cable Television loan from Lowell Light and Power, resulting in a lower monthly payment of \$2,388.23 from \$6,209.30.

This also extended the loan debt retirement from year 2001 to 2014.

"Restructuring the loan allows us to put aside more money for system improvements," Christman said.

The superintendent explained that the system has been watchful and prudent with expenditures. "Programming is one area where expenses have increased the most," Christman said. "However, program expenses is one area we have no

control over."  
Subscribers to the three premium channels have declined over a two-year period, HBO subscribers have declined by 10, Cinemax by 4, and Disney by 15.

Gross profit margins for HBO and Cinemax remained unchanged while Disney suffered a significant decline of 12.3 percent (from 44.1 to 31.8 percent). The dollar decline was \$1,427.

The gross profit percentage for basic service declined from 73.8 percent to 72.3, although gross profit dollars increased by \$21,381.

## City schedules interviews

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Interviews to determine which architectural firm will be contracted to provide a City Hall/police station needs assessment and schematic study will be held in December.

In a joint work session, the Lowell City Council and Planning Commission narrowed the list of firms from nine to three.

The firms selected for in-

terviews were Tower, Pinkster Titus (Tuesday, Dec. 2); Beta Design (Thursday, Dec. 4); and Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and Huber (Monday, Dec. 8).

"The decision in narrowing the list to three was determined by prior experience," Lowell city manager Dave Pasquale said.

All interviews will be held in the library community room at 7 p.m. Each interview will

last one hour and the public may sit in on one or all of them.

The firm chosen will prepare a study that will examine three City Hall/police station options - building a new City Hall/police station; renovating the existing City Hall/police station; or renovating City Hall and building a new police station.

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## Submitting Photo & News Copy to The Lowell Ledger

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# Bushnell students learn a slate-full from their predecessors

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Martha Hayden's first-grade class didn't take a page out of early American history — they borrowed an entire schoolhouse.

The Bushnell Elementary class took a half-day adventure back in time to live and learn as their predecessors did.

They were aided in their journey by Fallsburg's historical one-room schoolhouse. Hayden's class was the first of what Priscilla Lusmyer, president of Fallsburg Historical Society, hopes is many to use the schoolhouse to bring history to life.

With slate pencils in hand, students completed math and writing assignments on their individual slates. Mistakes



Martha Hayden's first-grade class turned back time as they spent a half day learning and studying at the Fallsburg Schoolhouse.

were erased with a cloth. As was common in the early days, students were called up in small groups to recite to a teacher's question or a lesson while the other students worked on an assignment.

"I felt like Laura Ingalls

Wilder," explained Hayden. "It was great. The kids really enjoyed it."

To help capture the era, students were asked to dress according to how their predecessors did.

For the girls, that meant putting their hair in pigtails

or braids, wearing a bonnet or straw hat, long skirt, blouse or shawl, tights or knee socks, and sturdy shoes or boots.

Boys were asked to wear long johns if it was cold, white or dark long-sleeved shirts, a cap, knickers (dark pants or sweats), suspenders and sturdy shoes or boots.

Lunches were brought in a pail, bucket or straw basket covered with calico cloth. Sandwiches were wrapped in cloth. A lunch would consist of a meat sandwich, fruit, raw vegetables, hard-boiled egg and a homemade cookie.

"The kids were very au-

thentic, true to the times," Hayden said. "There was one exception...one student brought a pop tart."

Some adjustments were a little more difficult than others. Students did not yell out answers to a teacher's question - they stood up beside their desk and waited to be called on.

Another big adjustment was recess. "Students asked where the playground equipment was," Hayden explained with a smile.

There was no playground equipment for their predecessors. Common recess activity

was a game of tag or Farmer-In-The-Dell.

"It was pretty cool," said six-year-old Nickie Hurley. "I liked working on the slates."

Lunch was a little difficult for the self-proclaimed picky eater. "I had an apple and some muffins," Hurley said.

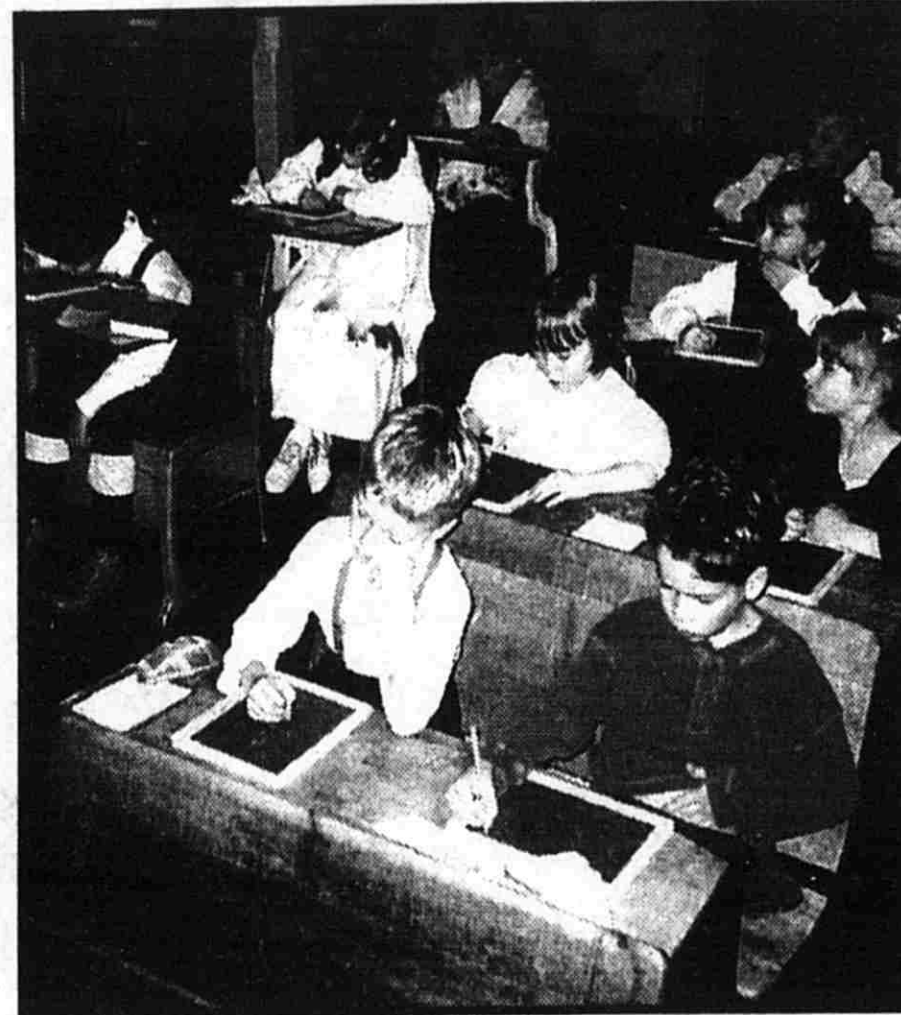
Jim Nordman, age seven, said he learned a lot. "They just had one room, now we have a lot of rooms. The clothes they wore were different. They didn't have much."

The cost per student for a half day at the Fallsburg Schoolhouse was \$1.65. Not much for a historical journey in time.

"This is very much what I had envisioned. The kids were very excited. This schoolhouse hasn't heard that many decibels in quite some time," Lusmyer said. "We want the schoolhouse to be used by children - to show them things can be done in different ways."

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"The options would detail cost, floor plans, size, and land need," Pasquale said. "The information provided in the study will be helpful in determining which way the city decides to go."



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**COUNTER PERSON NEEDED** - Part-time afternoons & Saturdays. Apply in person at Cooper's Drycleaners, 6555 28th St., Cascade, 591 Ada Dr., Ada or Breton Village.

**WORK FROM HOME** - Mothers & others, earn what you are worth! \$500 part-time to \$5,000 full-time. Call 24 hours, free booklet, 616-752-8346.

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**HELP WANTED** - Dec. 1. Grand Rapids Press carriers needed for the Valley Vista Trailer Park & the east end of Lowell. Also need substitutes. Call 897-5793 for information or leave message.

**HELP!** - We are looking for good people willing to be trained for various positions. Qualifications are: willing to learn, good attendance and ability to pass drug screen and criminal check. Up to \$7 to start upon hire by Valley City Plating, up to \$8.25 an hour. Apply at Valley City Plating, 3353 Eastern SE, Grand Rapids, Phone 245-1223.

**FOR SALE** - Large Duotherm fuel oil heater; propane gas range; Kenmore wringer washer. All good working condition. 897-8044 days, 897-8345 eves.

**PRODUCTION CONTROL CLERK** - An opening currently exists in our production control clerk for 2nd shift. The successful candidate must possess data entry skills & have experience working in the automotive industry. Accuracy is a must. We offer competitive wages & benefits. Qualified candidates may apply in person or send resume to: Newell Mfg. Co., 615 Chatham St., Lowell, MI 49331, Attn: Human Resources.

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## EVENTS

**MRS. CLAUD ANNUAL BAZAAR & CRAFT SHOW** - 180 booths. Sat., Dec. 6, 9-4. Ionia Middle School, Union St./M-21, E. of M-66. Breakfast, lunch, snacks available. FREE admission. Door prizes all day. Sponsored by Ionia County Commission on Aging.

**THE CHRISTMAS ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR** - will be held at West Catholic High School, 1801 Bristol NW, Grand Rapids, Dec. 6, 1997 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. 50 cents admission. 180 booths.

## WANTED

**LET'S HELP EACH OTHER** - You need time alone for holiday shopping & parties, I need X-mas money, babysitting offered. Red Cross Certified. 13 year old. Call 897-6944, ask for Nick.

**WANTED TO RENT** - Indoor storage for car. Call 957-1078.

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**WORK WANTED** - I do babysitting, reasonably priced. 11- year-old girl. Call 897-6944, ask for Courtney.

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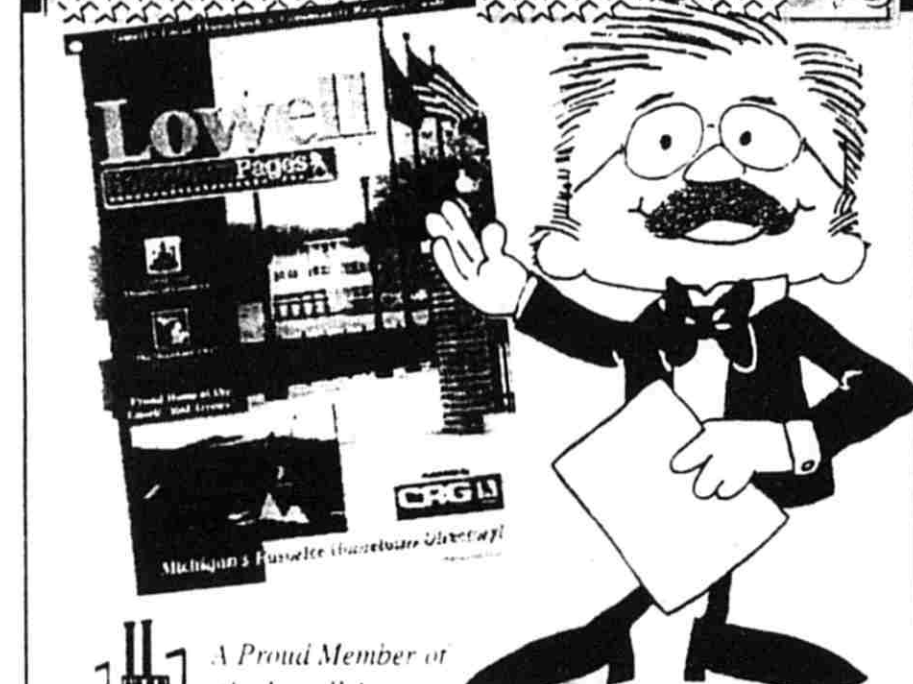
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PLEASE BE NOTIFIED that the Lowell Charter Township Board did approve the request of Thomas Karp to rezone approximately 72 acres in Section 5 of Lowell Township (PP#41-20-05-201-014 at Foreman and Cumberland). This parcel will be zoned R-2, Medium Density Residential effective thirty days from publication of this notice.

Carol L. Wells, Clerk  
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## CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE

Lowell City Offices, Lowell Light and Power and Lowell Cable TV will be closed on Thursday, November 27, and Friday, November 28, 1997 in observance of Thanksgiving.

The City of Lowell refuse pick up scheduled for Thursday will be picked up on Friday due to the holiday.

Betty R. Morlock  
Deputy City Clerk.

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## Unattended candle likely cause of Sunday evening blaze

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

A candle was the cause of a house fire at 1034 Riverside Dr. early Sunday evening.

The fire at the home of Bob and Sue Bristol was contained to the bedroom of their

oldest boy Charlie. However, smoke damage was incurred throughout the home.

The Lowell family had returned from Arby's when Sue Bristol and her two boys Charlie and Brian smelled smoke.

In checking for its source, they detected the fire in Charlie's room.

"I had a scented candle lit in my bedroom. It was sitting on top of my stereo," Charlie Bristol said.

Bristols, like approximately 200 other residents in the northwest section of Lowell, had lit their house with

candles due to their power being shut off so that Lowell Light and Power could complete work on the north substation.

Authorities were not sure whether the fire started after the candle had melted or if it got knocked over by one of Bristol's two house cats.

All of the family members got out of the home safely. Charlie even grabbed some family pictures on his way out. "They were baby pictures my mom kept of us boys."

Lowell firefighters were called to the scene at approximately 6:15 p.m.



Lowell firefighters spent approximately two-and-a-half hours at the scene of a house fire at 1034 Riverside Drive Sunday evening.

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