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Lowell tweaks kindergarten schedule in search of right one for district

By J. N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer

Whether or not a perfect kindergarten schedule can ever be found is still up for debate. But Lowell school officials hope that they have come one step closer with its new schedule for the 1998-99 school year.

Jim White, director of curriculum and instruction, presented the school district with a new plan for kindergarten students. Under this plan, students would be grouped into two sessions. The first group would meet Mondays and Thursdays, and in the morning on Wednesdays. The second group would meet Tuesdays and Fridays, and in the afternoons on Wednesdays.

The goal of the new schedule would be to allow as much contact time between students and teachers and create some consistency in the kindergarten schedule, White said. Both of these are in an effort to maintain a happy medium between a full-day program and a half-day program.

In a recent survey of 285 parents, of which 56 percent responded, current parents of kindergarten-age students said they liked the opportunity of having their children being in school full time, but were in favor of more consistency in the schedule. The 1997-98 schedule has students meeting full days Monday and Wednesday and Tuesday and Thursday with the two groups switching Fridays.

Several problems arose with this schedule in that, because of scheduled days off, teachers were only meeting some groups one day out of the week. Teachers also found that they were spending more time teaching the daily routines versus re-enforcing the lessons, White said.

Teachers indicated they would like more consistency and contact time with the students, White said. After review, the district felt the proposed schedule for 1998-99 was the direction to head.

One resident, Paul Young, did raise some concerns

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Lowell Community Responds Again

••• The Lowell Rotary Auction raised approximately \$20,000 in its second year. There were roughly 240 people who attended the social event.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell Rotary auction chairperson Sylvia Taylor called the opportunity to sing, prior to the dinner and live auction at Noto's Old World Italian Dining, great fun for her.

"I had a great time singing. It was like therapy for me," Taylor said.

While Taylor provided the vocals, Roger MacNaughton accompanied her with music.

The second annual Rotary auction also proved to be pretty good therapy for worthwhile community and international causes.

The social event raised approximately \$20,000.

Last year, the auction raised \$40,000, far exceeding the club's hopes and expectations. The money went toward a children's literary section at the Englehardt Library.

Of the funds raised, 50 percent will go toward the Flat River Outreach Ministry, Inc. (formerly ACCESS 6); 30 percent toward the purchase of a thermal imaging unit, and 20 percent toward a Rotary International Foundation project.

Beyond the funds raised, the auction also had community therapeutic value.

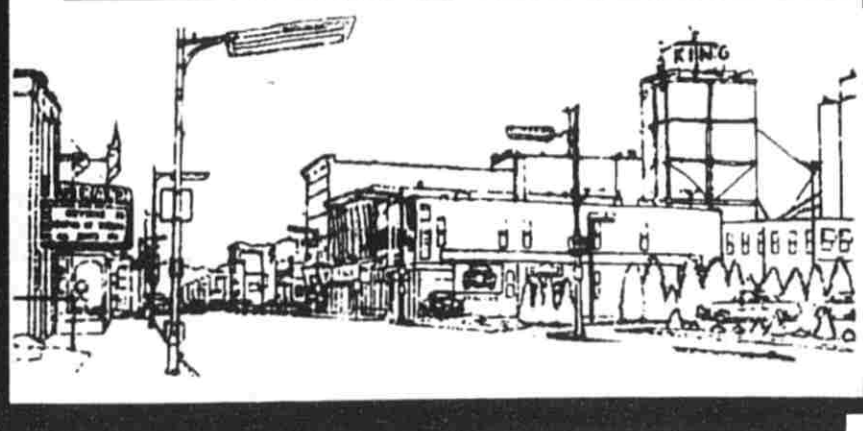
"It gave the community an opportunity to get together and see those it doesn't see on a regular basis for fun and

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Lowell Rotary Auction chairperson Sylvia Taylor holds the keys to Mike Rocheleau's new Harley Davidson. The Attwood employee was the lucky winner in Saturday night's drawing. Standing between Rocheleau and Taylor is Roger Chapman, chairman of the raffle.

Along Main Street



EDUCATIONAL SCREENING

Educational Screening is available for children 2-5 years old on Friday, April 24. Check and see whether your child is developing consistently with other children his or her age.

Call Carol Briggs at 897-8415 between 7:45 a.m. and 4 p.m. to make an appointment.

BICYCLE RODEO

Lowell Area Schools along with Lowell Police Department, Lowell Fire Department and Cub Scout Pack 3188 will sponsor a bicycle rodeo on Saturday, April 25, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Cherry Creek Elementary.

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City ready to begin downtown construction project

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

While many are a little frightened of what this summer's downtown construction may bring - Mike Sprenger isn't.

"People are scared after what happened two years ago," said the Downtown Development Authority board member and Springgrove Variety owner. "I don't think things will be as bad."

Sprenger says that confidently because downtown businesses won't be losing sidewalks or parking.

"The communication prior to the start of the project has been better," Sprenger explains. "The weekly updates have started prior to construction and there were two large meetings held to discuss the project."

An incentive/disincentive plan was born from the first meeting held back in January.

Construction work on the sluiceway/bridge near Veteran's Memorial is scheduled to begin next week.

The city has offered sub-contractor K&R Construction an incentive that could garner the company up to an extra \$25,000 for completing the work early. There is also a penalty for not

having the sluiceway/bridge work completed by noon on July 2.

The Michigan Department of Transportation will also work on milling and repaving M-21 from the east county limits to Broadway during this time.

After July 2, the streetscape work from Broadway to Lincoln Lake and intersection work at Hudson/ M-21 and at

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OBITUARIES

DODDS - Kathryn V. Dodds, 68, of Saranac, passed away April 17, 1998. She was born February 27, 1930, in Keene Twp., the daughter of Walter and Orpha Gilliland Hubbard. She married Hugh Dodds April 8, 1960; he preceded her in death August 15,

1994. Also preceding her death was a son Michael in 1976. She retired from Lacks Industries in 1980. She is survived by her son Thomas Dodds of Saranac; brothers Auburn and Gloria Hubbard of Saranac; Kenneth and Peg Hubbard of Saranac; Dean and

COLLEGE NEWS

Jason Sayen, a Northwood senior from Grand Rapids, was granted the Clarence P. and Grace A. Chamberlin and Jack Case/Brake Parts Inc. Memorial Scholarship for the 1997-98 academic year.

Sayen is the son of Robert Sayen of Wyoming and Gloria Sayen of Lowell.

Private donor scholarships at Northwood are awarded by the scholarship committee of the college to those students who meet the requirements specified by individual scholarship donors. These scholarships represent support from organizations, foundations and individuals

who show concern and interest for student achievements and are committed to the future of Northwood University. Private donor scholars, who represent Northwood University and the scholarship donor, participate in community and campus projects. This year, more than \$700,000 was donated to over 350 qualified Northwood students.

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NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS AND SUMMARY OF THE REGULATORY EFFECT THEREOF

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT on April 13, 1998, the Township Board of the Township of Grattan adopted amendments in the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Grattan. The regulatory effect of the Zoning Ordinance amendments can be summarized as follows:

1. Retail Sales of Non-Agricultural Products in Greenhouses and Nurseries. Section 13.25 (C) of the Township Zoning Ordinance is amended so as to provide that the Planning Commission may approve, as a special land use, retail sales of non-agricultural products by greenhouses and nurseries in the A Agricultural District that have been approved as special land uses, if such retail sales of non-agricultural products are accessory to the principal nursery or greenhouse use. Such non-agricultural retail sales would be subject to various standards, conditions and minimum requirements.

2. Effective Date. The Zoning Ordinance amendments will become effective April 29, 1998.

A copy of the amending ordinance may be examined or purchased at the offices of the Grattan Township Clerk, 11676 Old Belding Road, within the Township, during Township office hours.

Dated: April 15, 1998

Township Board of the
Township of Grattan

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Cousins' contest reaches out to area food pantry and thrift shop

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

The Flat River Outreach Ministry, formerly ACCESS 6 Food Pantry, is expanding its service to the underserved to reach beyond eastern Kent County and extend into western Ionia County.

The purpose of the ministry is to meet the emergency needs of those in the Lowell area and surrounding communities.

"By linking the food pantry with a thrift shop, we can better enable families to manage their budgets with dignity," said Roger LaWarre, pastor of First Congregational Church of Lowell and chairperson of Flat River Outreach Ministry. "There is more of a need than handing out food."

The decision to change the name came about in an effort to provide an identity that springs from Lowell's churches and allows it to expand in areas it hasn't been.

The outreach ministry will also be ready in times of crisis to assist in clothing, food, and large or small household items.

"By making good clothing available at low costs, we will serve a wide clientele within the community," LaWarre said. "It will also

give people the same opportunity to have what they need."

The thrift shop will provide an income immediately needed to pay development cost. "In the future, new vital ministries to the community will be developed from potential reserves created," said Gordon Barry, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Lowell and vice chairperson of the Flat River Outreach Ministry, Inc.

They will be developed under the policy of reaching out to address the needs of the community.

The ministry is looking to obtain a building. LaWarre said it is looking at two buildings. "We hope to have the

The longest span of Olympic competition by a U.S. man is 32 years, by equestrian Michael J. Plumb, who competed in seven Olympics.

Customers were excited about an opportunity to purchase Peace, Princess and Erin Beanie Babies, but many wouldn't have participated had the proceeds not gone toward Flat River Outreach Ministry.

Karen Hale
Owner of Cousins Hallmark Gift Shoppe



Karen Hale, owner of Cousins Hallmark Gift Shoppe, middle, presents a check for \$1,500 to Roger LaWarre, left, and Gordie Barry, to be used toward the Flat River Outreach Ministry, Inc.


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The main areas affected are:
N. Hudson Street - from Main to Howard
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This year's Ionia PhoneGuide cover artist is Melissa VanTimmeren from Belding Middle School - shown here atop one of many skids containing 39,000 1998 Ionia PhoneGuides.

Melissa entered the Ionia Area PhoneGuide cover contest sponsored by gni Directory Services and won with her original cover drawing of the reasons people might use phone directories.

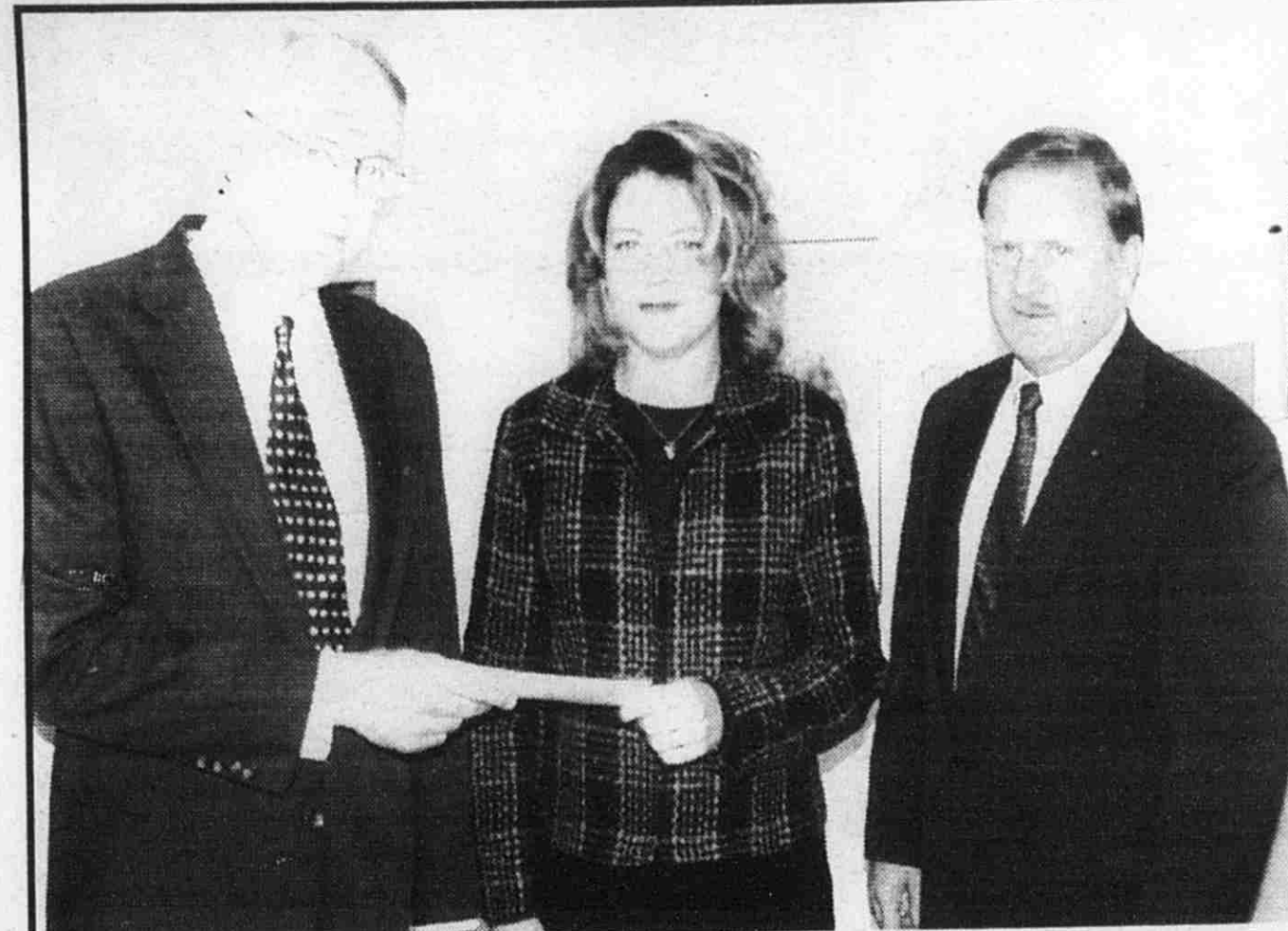
She won \$200 for her efforts, and can be proud that her art will be seen by people all over the Ionia County area.

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Presenting Lowell superintendent Bert Bleke with a check for \$1,060 are Ionia County National Bank's office manager, Jennifer Uphaus, and president, Jim Fast.

Reading program beneficiary of ICNB's donation

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Through Ionia County National Bank's own proprietary credit card program, Lowell and four other area schools were each the recipients of \$1,060.

"This is the third year Ionia County National Bank has run the program," said its president Jim Fast. "The monies are unrestricted funds for the school superintendents to use."

This is the first year Lowell has had the opportunity to participate.

The program's funds are raised by setting aside a small percentage of interchange fees from the credit card program.

The money is put into a pool and split up among school districts in the immediate markets that ICNB serves. Those markets are Lowell, Ionia, Belding, Saranac and Lakewood.

I am highly appreciative of the opportunity to share in the resources. It will go a long way in helping the accelerated reading program.

Bert Bleke
Lowell Superintendent

Lowell superintendent Bert Bleke said the Lowell funds will be used to support the accelerated reading program for second-graders at Cherry Creek Elementary.

"I am highly appreciative of the opportunity to share in the resources. It will go a long way in helping the accelerated reading program," Bleke said. "It's like Christmas in April - April 15th at that."

Work is much more fun than fun.
—Noel Coward.

Lowell Township receptive to scouts' offer to serve the outdoor community

By Amy Briggs
Contributing Writer

A local Eagle Scout troop wants to help beautify the

Lowell Charter Township! A troop leader contacted township clerk Carol Wells with an interest in involving

Eagle Scouts in community projects around the township.

"The scouts wanted to put up fencing around one of our four township cemeteries and in the process learn about families and history," Wells explains.

Wells brought the topic before the Lowell Charter Township Board at their regular meeting April 20, noting that all of the township's cemeteries were already fenced in.

The board was eager to supply project ideas for the scouts to consider in lieu of the cemetery fencing.

"Merriman Cemetery has water available," noted board member Alyn Fletcher. "The Merriman Association could be approached about a long-term tree project."

Other ideas included care of the landscaping at the park on Grand River. "Plants and trees could be labeled for educational purposes," suggested board member Carlton Blough.

Township supervisor John Timpson thought of clearing branches and brush

out of the park as a beneficial community activity. "However, we'd need to find scouts who weren't allergic to poison ivy!" he laughs.

Wells intends to speak with a scout representative this week regarding opportunities for serving our outdoor community.



Week of 4/27 - 5/1

ELEMENTARY

MON: Ravioli, California blend veg, French bread/peanut butter, assorted fruit, milk.

TUES: Hot dog in a bun, tater tots, grapes or canned fruit, milk.

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

THURS: Pizza w/meat & cheese & pepperoni, cole slaw or juice, chocolate pudding or fresh fruit, milk.

FRI: No School, Staff Professional Development Day.

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOLS

MON: Ravioli, burrito, chef salad, or cheeseburger, yogurt; choose 2: Calif. blend veg., side salad or juice; French bread w/margarine, peanut butter, assorted fruit, milk.

TUES: Chili hot dog or crispito w/cheese, chef salad w/bread, cheeseburger or yogurt; choose 2: Oven fries, side salad or veg soup/crackers; grapes, canned fruit, milk.

WED: Chicken nuggets or teriyaki dipper, cheeseburger in a bun, chef salad or yogurt; choose 2: mashed potatoes/gravy, rice, cole slaw or side salad; homemade dinner roll, fruit or gelatin w/whip, milk.

THURS: Pizza w/meat, cheese, pepperoni, ham/scalloped potatoes, yogurt, chef salad w/bread, cheeseburger; choose 2: Broccoli w/cheese sauce, fruit juice or side salad; chocolate pudding or fruit, milk.

FRI: No School, Staff Professional Development Day.

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<p>ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH 7277 Thornapple River Dr. 676-1032 Pastor: THOMAS J. BARTHA Morning Worship.....9:30 A.M. Sunday School.....11:00 A.M. Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.</p> <p>We invite you to make this community church your church home. WELCOME TO ALL.</p>	<p>CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH OF LOWELL Rev. William J. Renkema - 897-7060 1151 West Main Street, Lowell, MI Morning Worship.....10:00 A.M. Sunday School.....11:20 A.M. Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.</p> <p>Nursery available at both services Barrier-Free</p>	<p>LOWELL WESLEYAN CHURCH "A great place to bring your family!" 1069 N. Lincoln Lake Rd. Phone 897-6890 or 897-8304 Sunday Morning Worship begins at 11 A.M. Pastor Bill Price</p>	
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<p>EVERGREEN MISSIONARY CHURCH 10501 Settlemore • Ph. 897-7185 Sunday School.....9:45 A.M. Morning Worship.....11 A.M. Evening Service.....6:00 P.M.</p> <p>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><i>Join Us In Worship</i></p>		
<p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL 2275 West Main Street Sun. Worship Service, 9:30 A.M. & 6:00 P.M. Sunday School Hour.....11:00 A.M. AWANA/J.V.....Wed. 6:15 Contact Church Office For Prayer Meeting Times 897-7168 A Family Friendly Fellowship</p>	<p>ALTON BIBLE CHURCH 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>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL (United Church of Christ) 404 North Hudson • 897-5906 Worship and Church School.....10:00 A.M. Dr. Roger LaWarre.....Pastor Louise Weeks.....Interim Christian Ed Director Meghan Culver.....Music Director Barrier-Free.....Nursery Provided</p>	
			<p>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH 10305 Bluewater Highway (Missouri Synod) Halfway between Lowell & Saranac on M-21 Sunday School.....9:00 A.M. Sunday Worship.....10:00 A.M. (Nursery available) Wednesday Evening.....7:00 P.M. JOSEPH FREMER, PASTOR 897-8307 All facilities are wheelchair accessible</p>
			<p>LOWELL CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 201 N. Washington • 897-8800 Sunday School.....10:00 A.M. Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M. Sunday Evening.....6:00 P.M. Wednesday Family Ministry.....7:00 P.M. TIMOTHY E. HARMON, Minister Staffed Nursery Provided Barrier-Free Entrance</p>

Viewpoint . . .



By Priscilla Lussmyer

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

125 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL WEEKLY - APRIL 23, 1873

A mineral spring hotel was opened recently in Lansing and promptly patronized by legislators.

The proposed woman suffrage amendment to the Constitution is killed in the Michigan Senate.

"Let those who are lovers of fun not forget to be present at

Chapman's Scepticon Gift Entertainment." No explanation. Fruit growers should bring samples of long-keeping fruits, plus spring buds showing effects of the severe winter weather past, to the Ada Hotel meeting. Mr. Bradfield will lead a tour of his vineyards and orchards.

100 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - APRIL 21, 1898.

The Baptist church is making \$1,000 of improvements: new basement, an additional room, new windows and furnace.

In the question of war between the U.S. and Spain, it is said more than once that a war will wipe out sectional feeling between North and South, when soldiers from both sides can join against a common enemy.

The school at Peach Hill Grove did not open Monday, on account of measles.

Belding's refrigerator factories are turning out about 6,000 refrigerators a month.

75 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL LEDGER AND ALTO SOLO - APRIL 19, 1923

The Lowell boys' basketball team wins the county title for the third year in a row, defeating Sparta 29-7. The girls' team comes in second to Sparta.

Ben Wepman's three children are enrolled in school here. They recently were able to leave Russia, though a fourth son is back there getting his passport corrected. The family is penniless, having spent \$5,000 on the effort.

Health Officer A.M. Andrews advises all persons with

outside privies to have them cleaned and sanitary before warm weather.

Alto High School and Alto local talent will present a play at the South Lowell Grange, "The Minister's Wife's New Bonnet."

50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - APRIL 22, 1948

The Lowell Music Department is having a fundraising concert this week, under the direction of Orval Jessup, to buy recording equipment and more uniforms.

The Flat River game area gets 20 more acres and a new 3,615-acre game area is established south of the Grand River between Saranac and the western boundary of Ionia County.

It turns out that, due to past state rules, 144 state employees earn more than their bosses.

Harry Heilman will be announcing all Tiger games this summer on station WGRD.

25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER-SUBURBAN LIFE - APRIL 19, 1973

More than 25 burglaries in three counties over the past two years are being solved. 23 Lowell youths are involved so far.

Complaints lead to an ad by the city of Lowell for a dog warden.

63rd District Court sessions are moving to Lowell City Hall on Fridays, says Judge Joseph B. White. Traffic Bureau fines can be paid at the Ledger office.

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

ULCERS

Almost 4 million Americans suffer from ulcers in a given year and up to half of those affected with ulcers never experience any symptoms.

Ulcers occur in the stomach or upper part of the small intestine called the duodenum. Gastric acid can destroy the protective lining of the GI tract, leading to erosions and open sores which are termed ulcers. Two factors play a major role in the development of ulcers: infections with the bacteria Helicobacter pylori (H. pylori) and the use of aspirin or other nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAID's).

LEGAL EASE

By Jonathan David

DEAR JONATHAN: My wife and I have been married two years and we just had our first baby. We are both in our early twenties. At what point do we need to engage in estate planning? The reason I ask is that my parents are going through that process for the first time and they indicated that we should also consider doing some type of planning. We have a fairly small estate, although I do have a little bit of life insurance. What do you think?

JONATHAN SAYS: It is never too early to engage in estate planning. Many younger people do not feel the urgency to plan their estates because they feel death and/or disability are things they don't need to worry about until much later in life. Consequently, they put off preparing wills, trusts or durable power of attorneys until later. Unfortunately, people can die or become disabled at any time regardless of age, so don't let your youth lull you into not properly planning for your family.

You will want to consider preparing both types of durable power of attorneys available, i.e. the general durable power of attorney for financial matters, and a durable power of attorney for health care. These documents allow you to appoint others to act for you in the event you cannot act for yourself. I recommend these documents to all of my clients regardless of age.

H. pylori infection may be responsible for up to 80% of ulcers. Nobody knows how the bacteria causes ulcers. Some speculate that it may make the tissues in the stomach more sensitive to acid or lead to an increased production of acid. Surprisingly, many people infected with H. pylori will never develop ulcers.

Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAID's) like aspirin, ibuprofen and others are also major contributors to ulcer formation. These medications interfere with the stomach's acid protection and inhibit healing of ulcers by limiting blood flow to the stomach. Ulcers caused by NSAID's are often asymptomatic and may heal spontaneously.

Symptoms of ulcers can vary. Frequently, a gnawing or burning pain is present in the upper abdomen. The pain of duodenal ulcers usually worsens between meals and is relieved by food while the pain of stomach ulcers flares up during a meal. Nausea and loss of appetite can also occur. Many ulcers are asymptomatic. Some ulcers may bleed slowly over several weeks leading to anemia and fatigue.

Treatment of ulcers consists of antibiotic therapy for H. pylori infection, if it exists, and acid suppression. Eradication of H. pylori significantly reduces the chance of ulcer recurrence while acid suppression allows for faster healing.

Steps you can take to prevent ulcers are to avoid NSAID's, if possible, stop smoking and limit your alcohol intake.

In addition to the durable power of attorney documents, you will want to prepare a last will and testament, which sets forth who you want your assets to go to upon your death and who you would like to act as the personal representative of your estate in the event of probate. Also, your will is the only place you can name who you would like to act as guardian and conservator of your child and his or her estate in the event neither you nor your wife survive. If you don't make out a will, then you are foregoing this opportunity. Consequently, individuals other than those who you would select could end up acting as the guardian and conservator of your child.

You and your wife will also want to consider establishing a trust to receive your joint estate and your life insurance proceeds to be held on behalf of your child in the event of a common death. Otherwise, your estate and life insurance proceeds will end up being managed on behalf of your child by the conservator appointed by the court who must render an annual accounting to the probate court and who also must disburse those assets to your child at the time he or she reaches the age of 18, regardless of his or her maturity level. If you decide to implement a trust, you do not need the involvement of the probate court, so no annual accountings will be necessary. Further, the trustee named in the trust can be directed to manage the trust assets on behalf of your child until whatever age you determine he or she will be responsible enough to receive those assets, in any event until an age older than age 18.

The type of trust you prepare can be a living trust where you actually transfer assets into the trust while you are alive, which will allow those assets to avoid probate upon your death. In the alternative, you can set up a trust which is only to take effect upon both of your deaths. Although this second type of trust will not allow your assets to avoid probate, upon the completion of probate, it will at least be able to receive those assets on behalf of your child and manage those assets pursuant to the terms stated therein.

PET POINTERS
By Jennifer Sobie

With the welcome change to warm weather, people tend to leave their dogs outdoors for longer periods of time. For the most part, this works out well, but sometimes it can create a problem. The ground is no longer frozen, tree litter is often scattered about, small critters like ground moles begin burrowing beneath the grass: warm weather is an invitation to a dog to dig.

Digging is one of the most frustrating problems facing dog owners, and the reason is simple: it's very difficult to stop. The problem is that digging is an innate behavior for dogs; it comes naturally to the dog and the act of digging is itself rewarding regardless of what the dog may find during his excavation

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I recommend that you at least meet with an estate planning attorney to review what type of planning is available to you and recommended under the circumstances. Good luck.

DEAR JONATHAN: I am a widower in my late sixties. I am currently updating my will. I want to divide all of my assets between three of my four children. I do not want to leave my other child anything for reasons that I do not need to get into here. If I cut him out altogether, can he challenge the will? **JONATHAN SAYS:** He can always challenge the will, but whether he is successful would depend upon whether there is a factual basis to support his challenge. In order to minimize the possibility of your son's challenging your will for being disinherited, you will want to make sure that you do not simply ignore your son in your will. If the will makes no reference to him, he might very well be able to make a case that he should be treated as an "omitted child" under Michigan law which means that he was left out of your will by accident and as such that he is entitled to receive an equal share of your estate. Instead, you should put a provision in the will where you specifically indicate the name of your child you want to disinherit and that you are intentionally omitting him as a beneficiary of your estate. By doing this, you will preclude his right to file a claim as an omitted child.

I recommend that you meet with an estate planning attorney to make sure that the will is properly prepared which will also help you down the road if your son were to challenge the will after your death. Good luck.

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process. For a dog, digging is fun just because digging is fun. Discipline, no matter the behavior, will generally fail if the discipline doesn't include removing the reward, and since digging is its own reward, removing the reward is almost impossible.

Sometimes dogs do dig for a reason, and this type of digging can be eliminated by making the dig unsuccessful for the dog. For instance, some dogs try to tunnel their way out of their yard or pen. This kind of digging can be controlled by placing rocks and large stones around the perimeter of the fence. Set the rocks against the fence in a pile about a foot to a foot-and-a-half wide. The rocks make it impossible for the dog both to escape and even to dig at all. Another approach is to bury a two-foot strip of wire fence, attached to the bottom of the yard fence, so that it lays flat just below the sod.

But what to do about the dog that isn't trying to escape - the dog that's just having fun excavating the back yard and rezoneing the landscaping? Even if you're desperate, don't try burying a fence just beneath the surface of your entire yard.

your dog will still be able to turn up sod and fling bits of earth. Instead, you need to give your dog a place to dig. A dirt/dig spot.

Create the dig spot like you would a sandbox for kids, except be sure to put the dig area somewhere where your dog'll be inclined to use it (dogs like to dig into the side of hills, around perimeters and under decks). And fill the area with dirt - not sand - so the smell and texture appeals to your dog. Give the area obvious borders by putting a low landscape fence around it or edging it with rocks.

To get your dog to dig in the area, simply bury bits of food or dog bones or biscuits there. Your dog will find them and dig them out. Do not take your dog to the area - taking him to the spot may actually deter him from digging there. But you can let him see you dig there yourself, because he may be attracted to the sight and smell of the turned earth (which is why you shouldn't let your dog watch you garden or garden just before you let your dog out if your garden is where he'll have access to when he's left alone).

Once your dog shows an attraction for his dirt-box spot, you can begin to punish digging in other areas. This is best done by buying a hand-held air-horn (Meijers carries them, as do the boat supply stores), and then watching the dog from the house. When the dog starts to dig anywhere but his dirt-box, say nothing (no yelling!) and sound on the air-horn. Another approach is to make use of a waterbed fill kit and a pulse spray sprinkler. The idea is to catch the dog in the act of digging in an inappropriate place and turn the water on him. Set the sprinkler in the general vicinity of your dog's digging. Run the hose into the house through a window so that you can turn on the sprinkler and spray the dog without warning him you're coming outside by opening the door.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL

For the Regular Meeting of MONDAY, APRIL 6, 1998.

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, Shores and Mayor Thompson.

Absent: Councilmembers Blough and Myers. Also Present: City Manager David Pasquale, Deputy City Clerk Betty Morlock, Chief of Police James Valentine and Director of Public Works Daniel DesJarden.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN that the minutes of the March 16, 1998 meeting be approved as written.

YEA: 3.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 2.
MOTION CARRIED.

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

YEA: Councilmembers Green, Shores and Mayor Thompson. NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 2. (Councilmembers Blough and Myers).
MOTION CARRIED.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (04/06/98)

GENERAL FUND	\$80,506.02
MAJOR STREET FUND	736.69
LOCAL STREET FUND	405.48
DDA FUND	32,462.60
AIRPORT FUND	152.83
WASTEWATER FUND	27,287.41
WATER FUND	2,122.64
DATA PROCESSING FUND	3,048.75
EQUIPMENT FUND	11,931.75
CURRENT TAX FUND	27,861.89
LEE FUND	2,897.00
CARR FUND	150.00
IMPROVEMENT FUND	6,350.00

Item #1. ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION REGARDING ENFORCEMENT OF DISHONORED CHECKS - PUBLIC HEARING. The ordinance amendment proposed to the Dishonored Checks Article would render a misdemeanor to make, draw, utter or deliver a dishonored check in an amount of less than \$50. Checks over \$50 are currently handled by the Kent County Prosecutor's office, pursuant to State Law. Chief Valentine stated this would allow the Lowell Police Department to assist the merchants in pursuing the collections of dishonored checks.

A resolution was also proposed which would tighten the existing provisions of the City Code. This establishes any cost of collection of dishonored checks would be billed to the responsible party based on the City's actual cost determined on a cost accounting basis.

Councilmember Green questioned if this was a government function. Valentine responded several police departments are providing this service. Local business

owners could utilize an outside company to recover a dishonored check, if so desired.

Councilmember Shores asked if the business owners try to collect on the dishonored check, before the police become involved.

Valentine noted under the ordinance, the business owner would be required to send notice to the person or party involved. After five days to make the check valid, the police would start its investigation.

No public comments were received. The public hearing was closed.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to adopt the Ordinance to add Section 13-214 to Article IX, "Dishonored Checks", of Chapter 13, "Offenses", of the Code of Ordinances and the Resolution approving cost recovery schedule for Dishonored Checks as proposed.
YEA: 3.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 2.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #2. ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COST RECOVERY PROVISIONS RELATED TO DRIVING WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE - SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE (4/20). On May 7, 1990, the Lowell City Council adopted an ordinance initiating the charging of costs involving police, fire and rescue services for those drivers operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance. The ordinance amendment related to those with an alcohol blood level which may be less than 0.07% as may be established by the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code for impairment of a person's ability to operate a motor vehicle. Therefore, any changes in the Motor Vehicle Code are accounted for in the revision.

The ordinance also amended the presumption a person is operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of an alcoholic beverage to include those under the age of 21 who have any bodily alcohol content.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to establish a public hearing for Monday, April 20, 1998 to consider the adoption of an ordinance amending the cost recovery provisions related to driving while under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance.
YEA: 3.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 2.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #3. UPGRADE OF COMPUTER MODEM FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. The Lowell Police Department requested to upgrade their current computer modem on the shared County system. The Department proposed a 56K baud modem, utilizing a dedicated digital line for data transfer. Chief Valentine stated this would improve response between Department dispatch and the main frame computer at the Sheriff's Department. The response time would be reduced with the upgraded modem which is five times faster than present.

Chief Valentine had recommended the following to be allocated from the General Fund - Police Department account:

- purchase of the modem upgrade, including installation from Hand Crafted Systems of Nashville, Michigan for \$2,770.

- Digital telephone line, monthly-recurring charge - \$286.22 from Ameritech.

Mayor Thompson was concerned with not using the bid process with this project. Valentine stated he had proceeded with the recommendation of the Sheriff's Department because Hand Crafted System is familiar with the County.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to purchase the modem upgrade including installation from Hand Crafted System of Nashville, Michigan for \$2,770 and enter into contract with Ameritech for digital telephone line at a monthly-recurring charge of \$286.22 to be allocated from the General Fund - Police Department account.
YEA: 3.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 2.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #4. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

A. 216 MAPLE - MICHAEL AND DANA WOLBERS - FRONT AND SIDE YARD SETBACK VARIANCES FOR ROOFED PORCH - SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE (4/20). Michael and Dana Wolbers wished to replace their roofed porch at 216 Maple. Since this structure is roofed, a 30 foot front yard setback is required. The existing and proposed porches are 27 feet (6 foot extension) from the right of way adjoining Maple Street. Also, the porch would be 5 feet from the south side lot line, where 6 feet is necessary. Thus, variances had been petitioned.

At its March 23 meeting, the Planning Commission reviewed the request and recommended the variance be granted at vote of 5 to 1.

IT WAS MOVED BY THOMPSON and seconded by GREEN to establish a public hearing for April 20, 1998 to consider the request from Michael and Dana Wolbers for front and side yard setback variances for a roofed porch at 216 Maple Street.
YEA: 3.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 2.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #5. BIDS - CLEAN OUT BACKWASH POND AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT. Bids were sought to clean out the backwash pond and deposit the lime on site at the Water Treatment Plant. The job was estimated to take 3 days, utilizing an excavator to dig out the lime pit and two dump trucks.

The bids were as follows:
- O.E. Bieri and Sons, Inc. \$4,200.
- Shaler Excavating, Inc. 5,520.

Water Treatment Plant Superintendent George Reagan recommended the low bid from O. E. Bieri and Sons, Inc.

Eastgate residents polarized on park issue

By Amy Briggs
Contributing Writer

Does the Eastgate subdivision need a park for children? At the April 20 Lowell Charter Township Board meeting, some Eastgate residents said yes and some voiced a resounding no.

"The children in our area have no place to play except in the street," stated Eastgate resident Cathy Bergeron. "A community park would allow kids a safe area for fun."

"But what about vandalism?" countered Scott Treglio, also of Eastgate. "It's already a problem, and a park would be a magnet for it."

The discussed location for an Eastgate park is the land at the end of Stonewood which is owned by Ken Cox. Township supervisor John Timpson pointed out that the land there "is shaped like a beach ball and would need to be excavated" before any park plans would be plausible.

Many objections to an area park were voiced. "Who would be responsible for kids getting hurt at the park?" "What

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John Timpson
Lowell Township Supervisor

about the privacy of residents living at the end of Stonewood?" "Wouldn't a park encourage teens to start fires and shoot birds on that property?"

The board drew no concrete conclusion for the Eastgate park issue. Timpson, however, reinforced that "a lot of problems don't get solved overnight. Your opinions will be heard — don't give up."

Timpson added that the township has applied for grant money for the park situated on Grand River. If the grant is approved, sites will be drawn up for three baseball diamonds, two soccer fields, and a paved road and parking lot.

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Mayor Thompson questioned which pond is being cleaned out at this time. City Manager Pasquale responded the small pond.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to award contract to O.E. Bieri and Sons for the low bid of \$4,200 to clean out the backwash pond at the Water Treatment Plant.

YEA: 3.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 2.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #6. AMENDMENT TO AUTHORIZATION OF SIGNATURES FOR CITY BANK ACCOUNTS AND ACCESS TO SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX. With the retirement of Finance Director/City Treasurer Judy Noonon, authorization by the City Council is necessary to have Suzanne Olin, City Treasurer and Charlene McNab, Assistant Finance Director/Investment Officer to sign for the following accounts at Huntington Bank in their new positions:
- Look Fund Account
- Local Unit Government (LUG) Account

Also, access to the safety deposit box required the addition of Deputy City Treasurer Vickie Videan and delete of Charlene McNab.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to authorize Suzanne Olin, City Treasurer and Charlene McNab, Assistant Finance Director/Investment Officer to sign the Look Fund and LUG checking accounts and add Deputy City Treasurer Vickie Videan to access of the safety deposit box with the deletion of Charlene McNab.
YEA: 3.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 2.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #7. ORDINANCE AMENDMENT REVISING MONTHLY AVERAGE LIMIT FOR CYANIDE ORGANIC PARAMETER - SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE (4/20). City Manager Pasquale stated the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality discovered an error regarding the acceptable discharge of cyanide into the sanitary sewer system on a monthly basis. The limit is required at 6 micrograms per liter (equivalent to parts per billion) rather than 7. This is needed for enforcement purposes of local industries which are monitored under the pre-treatment program.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to establish a public hearing for Monday, April 20, 1998 to consider adoption of an ordinance amending revising monthly average limit for cyanide organic parameter from 7 to 6 micrograms per liter.
YEA: 3.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 2.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #8. CITIZENS COMMENTS. None.

Item #9. COUNCIL COMMENTS. Councilmember Shores questioned if the Department of Public Works had started sweeping the sidewalks. DPW Director DesJarden responded the sidewalks have been washed.

Councilmember Green noted the Confirmation class from First Congregational Church had attended the Parks

and Recreation Commission meeting Saturday, April 4. A resident on Foreman Street had donated her back yard for their project and a neighbor will supply the water.

Thus, the group thanked the City for the consideration of possibly using Richards Park. In the future, this request might be brought before the City Council.

Mayor Thompson noted the condition of the front of the old Rite Aid building on East Main Street. Pasquale stated the Building Inspector had reviewed this structure and sent a letter to the owners.

Item #10. MANAGER'S REPORT. City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:

a. A work session regarding the City Hall - Police Station study is planned for Tuesday, April 14 from 7-9 p.m. at City Hall. A review of the space needs and structural appraisal of the City Hall building will be undertaken by Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and Huber, Inc. Several building alternatives are to be presented.

Representatives from the Planning Commission, Historic District Commission, Police staff as well as City Hall staff will be present.

b. The M-21 projects are anticipated to start the week of April 27. A community meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, April 22 at 7 p.m. in the library. Representatives from MDOT, URS Griener (who will perform inspections) and Rieth-Riley (the general contractor) will be present at this meeting.

Mayor Thompson requested that a notice of this meeting be sent to the Village of Saranac and City of Ionia.

c. The Lowell City Council authorized the creation of a Director of Cable TV Operations at its September 2, 1997 meeting. After conducting interviews, Paul Christman and David Pasquale hired (in consultation with the Cable TV Board) Thomas Richards for this position beginning April 6.

Richards is a 1976 graduate of Michigan State University, has an extensive background in television management and marketing. In particular, he worked for WOOD TV/WOTV (Channel 8) for eighteen years in such positions as Program Manager, Production Manager and Writer Producer.

d. Copies of the February 23 Planning Commission meeting minutes were enclosed in the agenda.

At its March 23 meeting, the Commission approved the following two site plans: (a) 3982 square foot addition to Bernard's True Value (b) construction of a 7700 square foot retail center on the south side of West Main west of Ridgeview Drive (immediately west of the Quick Lube).

e. Minutes of the Downtown Development Authority and the Cable TV Board meetings, both of February 26, were provided.

f. A request had been received from Lowell Township for participation in the Gypsy Moth Suppression Program. The City had not participated in this program in the past. This County program had received some inquiries from city residents to participate. The areas involved are immediately north of the City Hall by the cemetery and also in the

TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Spring is here and another track season is upon the Red Arrows. I am reminded of those great packets Mr. Boeve hands out to the boys at the banquet. They contain a season's worth of newspaper articles and photos from the Lowell Ledger and the Grand Rapids Press. A pile of stats for each individual and team effort in each event. That is a lot of stuff.

A wealth of info for any scrapbook. Also a lot of extra work, looking, cutting, copying and figuring. I would like to thank Mr. Boeve and say it was and is appreciated. Young men grow up. They will enjoy your efforts long after high school is over. Whenever they bring out that scrapbook to show a new friend or a wife, Mr. Boeve's dedication to his team lives on. Thanks, Boev! Good luck, Red Arrows! Have a great season!

Four times a
Red Arrow mom,
Connie Stencel

Geer Drive area. It appears that there are sufficient egg masses which would warrant the spraying.

This will be brought back to the Council for consideration when more information is received.

g. The City received requests for the removal of the following trees:

Bruce Walter, 606 Riverside, requested that two walnut trees on the Hudson Street side of his property be removed. The trees have been trimmed because of the wires and are in rather poor condition.

Mark Sellner, 990 N. Hudson, has an Elm tree with broken branches. Because it is close to the street, the tree has been hit by vehicles.

DesJarden received a cost of approximately \$600 to remove the trees.

The Council will review the trees and will provide a decision at the next meeting.

h. It had been proposed to install a pitched roof on the old NAPA building, rather than replace the flat roof. In discussing this with Dan Durkee of Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and Huber (who had prepared specifications for this building) a cost of \$4500 has been estimated to perform the addition (engineering and architectural work) for the pitched roof. This would take about two weeks to complete.

A pitched roof would allow for more competitive bids because local contractors could bid on the project. It was also noted a pitched roof would only need to replace the shingles as compared to a flat roof where more extensive repairs are needed.

Mayor Thompson asked if the City could bid with the engineering and construction.

DesJarden noted that \$4500 required is for the structural engineering and architectural services.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to enter into contract with Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and Huber for the engineering and architectural work to design a pitched roof for the old NAPA building at a cost of \$4500.

YEA: 3.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 2.
MOTION CARRIED.

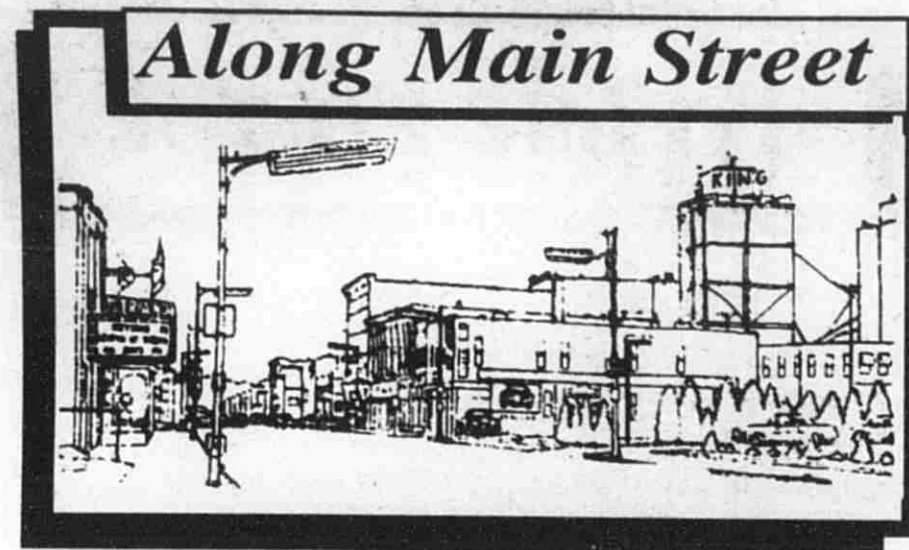
i. As a matter of information, the cost for the west side sidewalks (minus \$43,000 which is allocated on the south side from Allisandra to Bowes Road) is costing \$146,000. The Block Grant will be contributing \$42,000, while the Improvement Fund would provide \$33,000 and the Downtown Development Authority \$71,000.

Item #11. APPOINTMENTS. None.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 8:17 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: Monday, April 20, 1998

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



There will be a 10-station skill course, safety checks, bike registration, prizes and a concession stand. Rain date is May 2.

LAHA PANEL DISCUSSION
 "A History of Retailing on Lowell's Main Street" will be the subject of a panel discussion at the meeting of the Lowell Area Historical Association on Wednesday, April 29.

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fellowship," said auction prize committee chairman Wendell Christoff.

The live auction featured trips to Toronto and Beaver Island, a 27-inch color television set, Princess Di and Erin Beanie Babies, a skiing trip, Whitecaps tickets, golf irons, and Grand Rapids Griffith tickets.

Between social hour and dinner, a silent auction and a silent raffle were carried on. The silent raffle featured such things as 18 holes of golf and a cart from Crystal Mountain, a fax machine and a barnyard bird feeder.

The silent auction featured a Presidents Inn gift certificate, men's golf shirts, and one year of oil changes, to name a few. The highly anticipated drawing for the Harley Davidson bright red 883 Sportster "Hugger" closed out the evening. The winner of the bike was Attwood's Mike Rocheleau.

"I'll have to decide on what kind of tattoo to get now," Rocheleau said with a grin. "I've won Super Bowl pools before, but never anything like this."

Roger Chapman, chairman of the Harley raffle, said approximately 800 of the 1,000 tickets printed were sold.

The event drew 240 people. "It is the social event of the year in Lowell," Taylor said. "What I like so much about the Lowell community is the way the people are right there to support, attend, participate and contribute."

Lowell auctioneer Jim Cook Jr. volunteered his services at the Lowell Rotary auction.

Several longtime Lowell residents who owned and/or operated businesses on Main Street will discuss how the mix of commerce, customers and merchandising took place in a small town. Several artifacts from the LAHA will be displayed. Refreshments will be served following the program which will be held at 7 p.m. in the upper level of the Lowell Charter Township Hall.

LHS CHILD DEVELOPMENT CLASS - PRESCHOOL

Lowell High School child development class will be conducting their free preschool starting May 4. For more information call Marsha LaHaye at 897-4125.

LAAC PRESENTATION

The recent mixed media works of Cedar Springs artist Hazel Palmer appear at Huntington Bank in a Lowell Area Arts Council presentation.

Palmer's paintings will be on view through May 6. The Huntington Bank is located at 414 E. Main Street in downtown Lowell.

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Valley Vista and M-21 will be worked on.

In all, the \$1.1 million project is slated to be completed by October.

"This is a different type of work compared to two years ago," Lowell city manager Dave Pasquale said. "I think the city is better prepared."

Sprenger agreed, stating that the city saw the hurt that happened two years ago. "It is taking extra precaution to see that it doesn't happen again," he explained.

The project's general contractor is Reith-Riley and USR Greiner is the engineering firm.

Kindergarten Schedule, cont'd.... From Page 1

toward the end of Monday night's regular board meeting, about the schedule conflicting with day care schedules. He raised the issue that of the 13 districts in Kent County which offer a similar kindergarten program, all of them had the half day on Friday. Young said many of the parents he talked to said the half day on Friday would work better.

Superintendent Bert Bleke said school officials would look into those issues and get back to Young and the board.

White said he doubts that there is a perfect kindergarten schedule out there and he is certain that not everyone will be happy with the proposed one. It is an on-going project to find the right kindergarten schedule for Lowell and one the district will continue to tweak, he said. Parents again will be surveyed at the end of the school year next year to see what improvements or changes need to be made, White concluded.

Lowell Board opts for Kent County Schools of Choice plan over the Governor's

Board members Norm Byrne and Ellen McClain voted against the Kent County plan.

By J. N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer

Lowell Area Public Schools will once again participate in the Kent County Schools of Choice.

This will be the third year the school will participate in the program, which started in the 1996-97 school year. The program covers all of the public school districts in Kent County.

Under this option, the district can opt to accept students for or not. In the past, Superintendent Bert Bleke said the district has had one or two students participate in the Kent County program over the past couple of years.

The board, in a 5-2 vote, approved to again be involved in the Kent County Schools of Choice plan rather than the governor's plan. The Kent County plan was actually created in reaction to the

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Ann Mulder
Lowell Board of Education secretary

governor's plan largely in part because of concerns among county districts that a state-wide schools of choice program could bring chaos and cause some districts great hardships with either mass students trying to leave or mass students trying to enter. Under the Kent County plan, the number of students allowed to leave the district is equal to one percent of the district's total student population. Also, the state aid funding money for that student would go to whatever district was the student's choice and was accepted in.

"I do see the KISD plan

as a safeguard that the school districts of Kent County sought to make sure there wasn't a district having a large number of students leaving as well as against students trying to get into a school that didn't have space," said board secretary Ann Mulder.

Broad trustee Ellen McClain said, however, that she saw it as a boycott of the governor's plan, which she stated for the record she thought was a good plan. McClain, along with trustee Norm Byrne, voted against the Kent County Schools of Choice Plan.

LHS recognizes honor roll students

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FRESHMAN

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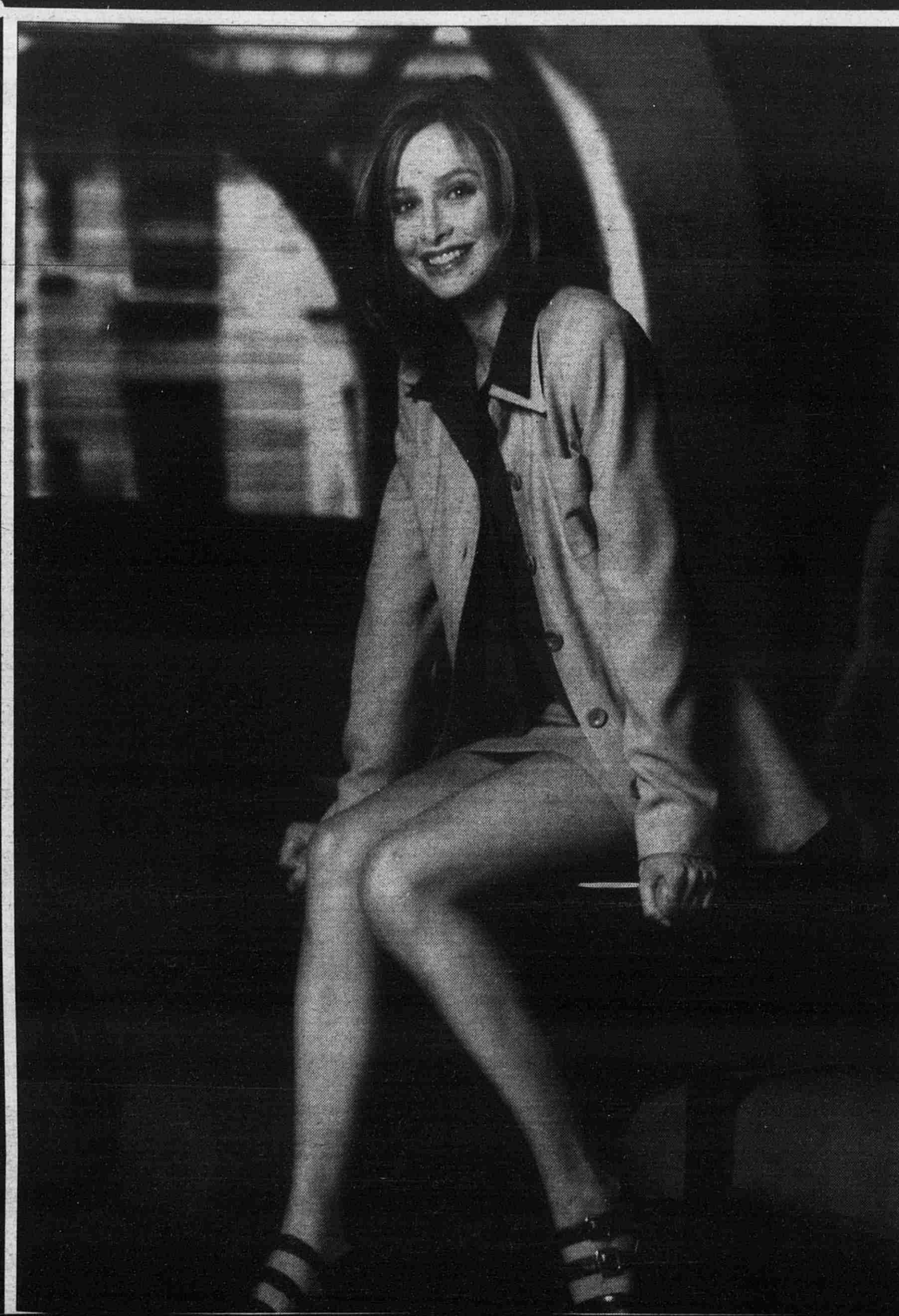
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FRIDAY EVENING APRIL 24, 1998 BROADCAST STATIONS 7:00 7:30 8:00 8:30 9:00 9:30 10:00 10:30 11:00 11:30

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SATURDAY EVENING APRIL 25, 1998. Table with columns for time slots (7:00-11:30) and rows for broadcast stations (WVMT, WOVU, WGVU, etc.) listing programs like Wheel of Fortune, Save Our Streets, and various news and entertainment shows.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON APRIL 26, 1998. Table with columns for time slots (12:00-6:30) and rows for broadcast stations (WVMT, WOVU, WGVU, etc.) listing programs like News, This Week, and various sports and entertainment shows.

SATURDAY LATE NIGHT APRIL 25, 1998. Table with columns for time slots (12:00-4:30) and rows for broadcast stations (WVMT, WOVU, WGVU, etc.) listing programs like Star Trek: Next Generation, Wheel of Fortune, and various comedy and entertainment shows.

SUNDAY EVENING APRIL 26, 1998. Table with columns for time slots (7:00-11:30) and rows for broadcast stations (WVMT, WOVU, WGVU, etc.) listing programs like 60 Minutes, Animal Kingdom, and various news and entertainment shows.

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MONDAY EVENING APRIL 27, 1998. Table with columns for time slots (7:00-11:30) and rows for broadcast stations (WVMT, WOTV, WGVU, etc.) listing programs like Wheel of Fortune, Jeopardy!, and various news and entertainment shows.

MONDAY LATE NIGHT APRIL 27, 1998. Table with columns for time slots (12:00-4:30) and rows for broadcast stations listing programs like Late Show, Politically Incorrect, and various comedy and talk shows.

TUESDAY EVENING APRIL 28, 1998. Table with columns for time slots (7:00-11:30) and rows for broadcast stations listing programs like Wheel of Fortune, Jeopardy!, and various news and entertainment shows.

TUESDAY LATE NIGHT APRIL 28, 1998. Table with columns for time slots (12:00-4:30) and rows for broadcast stations listing programs like Late Show, Politically Incorrect, and various comedy and talk shows.

WEDNESDAY EVENING APRIL 29, 1998. Table with columns for time slots (7:00-11:30) and rows for broadcast stations listing programs like Wheel of Fortune, Jeopardy!, and various news and entertainment shows.

WEDNESDAY LATE NIGHT APRIL 29, 1998. Table with columns for time slots (12:00-4:30) and rows for broadcast stations listing programs like Late Show, Politically Incorrect, and various comedy and talk shows.

THURSDAY EVENING APRIL 30, 1998		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
BROADCAST STATIONS											
3	WVMT	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Promised Land "When Darkness Falls"	Diagnosis Murder "Food Fight" (In Stereo)	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)			
4	WVOT	American Journal	Real TV (In Stereo)	Movie: *** "The Firm" (1993, Drama) Tom Cruise, Gene Hackman. A law-school grad signs on with a sinister Tennessee firm. (In Stereo)	News	Charlie Rose (In Stereo)					
5	WGVU	5:30 Auction									
7	WXMI	Home Improvement	Seinfeld "Yada Yada"	World's Wildest Police Videos (In Stereo) (PA)	Stopping the Stalkers (In Stereo)	Pal Factor: Chronicles of the Paranormal	Frasier (In Stereo)	M*A*S*H			
8	WOOD	Inside Edition	Extra (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	Just Shoot Me	Seinfeld "The Maid"	Veronica's Closet	ER "Of Past Regret and Future Fear" (In Stereo)	News	Tonight Show	
22	WKAR	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Practical Sports	Michigan Out-of-Doors	This Old House	Origins With Burt Wolf	Mystery! "An Unsuitable Job for a Woman"		Practical Sports	Michigan Out-of-Doors	
23	WZZM	Entertainment Tonight	Mad About You	Movie: *** "The Firm" (1993, Drama) Tom Cruise, Gene Hackman. A law-school grad signs on with a sinister Tennessee firm. (In Stereo)					News	Nightline	
24	WSYM	Frasier (In Stereo)	Home Improvement	World's Wildest Police Videos (In Stereo) (PA)	Stopping the Stalkers (In Stereo)	News	Real TV (In Stereo)	Jenny Jones (In Stereo)			
17	TBS	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Movie: *** "Hang 'Em High" (1968, Western) Clint Eastwood. A rancher swears revenge on the men who tried to lynch him. (In Stereo)	Movie: *** "High Plains Drifter" (1973) Clint Eastwood, Marianna Hill.						
18	FAM	Watsons "The Heartbreaker"	Rescue 911 (In Stereo)	Movie: *** "Volunteers" (1985) Tom Hanks, Rita Wilson.					700 Club		
19	FX	Miami Vice "Bad Timing"	X-Files "Never Again" (In Stereo)	NYPD Blue "Emission Impossible" (In Stereo)	In Living Color	X-Files "Leonard Betts" (In Stereo)					
20	USA	National Hate Test	Walker, Texas Ranger "Badge of Honor"	Movie: *** "School Ties" (1992) Brendan Fraser, Chris O'Donnell. (In Stereo)		Silk Stalkings "Crush" (In Stereo)					
21	DISC	Gimme Shelter (R)	Wild Discovery "Animal Deception" (R)	Animal X	Movie Magic (R)	Justice Files "Critical Condition" (R)					
25	WGN	Family Matters	Coach (In Stereo)	Major League Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals at Chicago Cubs. From Wrigley Field. (In Stereo Live)		News (In Stereo)	Honeymooners				
26	ESPN	6:30 Sportscenter	Stanley Cup Playoffs: Conference Quarterfinal Game 5 - Teams to Be Announced. (Time Approximate) If necessary, (Live)			Baseball Tonight					
27	CNN	Moneyline	World Today	Larry King Live	World Today	CNN/Sports Illustrated	Moneyline (R)				
28	NICK	Doug (In Stereo)	Rugrats (In Stereo)	Secret of Alex	Bewitched	Wonder Years	Wonder Years	Happy Days	I Love Lucy		
29	A&E	Law & Order "The Violence of Summer"	Biography "Tammy Wynette"	UFOs: Have We Been Visited? Some of the most intriguing UFO stories. (R)							
30	FSD	Red Wings Wk.	NHL Cool Shots (R)	Major League Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals at Chicago Cubs. From Wrigley Field. (Live)							
31	TNT	Baylon 5 "No Surrender, No Retreat" (In Stereo)	NBA Basketball Playoffs: Teams to Be Announced. (In Stereo Live)			NBA Basketball Playoffs: Teams to Be Announced. (In Stereo Live)					
32	NASH	Dallas "Who Done It?" (In Stereo)	Championship Rodeo (R) (In Stereo)	Prime Time Country (In Stereo)	Today's Country (In Stereo)	Dallas "Who Done It?" (In Stereo)					
33	TRAV	Loose in Wildest Africa	Outdoor Journal (R)	Amazing America	Castles-Europe	Lonely Planet "Spain" (R)	Rough Guide "Alaska"	Amazing America (R)	Castles-Europe		
34	TLC	Home Again (R)	Home Again (R)	Medical Detectives (R)	Medical Detectives (R)	Roswell (R)	We Are Not Alone "Space Voyagers" (R)	Medical Detectives (R)	Medical Detectives (R)		
35	SCIFI	Movie: *** "Alien Nation" (1988) James Caan, Terence Stamp.		Movie: ** "Alien Nation: Dark Horizon" (1994) Gary Graham, Michele Scarabelli.		Movie: *** "Alien Nation" (1988)					
36	HIST	Air Combat "Vietnam: Combat From the Cockpit"	Abominable Snowman	Wrath of God: Disasters in America	History Undercover	World at War "Alone"					
37	AMC	6:30 Movie: *** "Weekend in Havana" (1941)	Movie: *** "Julia" (1977), Vanessa Redgrave, Jason Robards PG (Adult language, violence)	Movie: *** "Seven Ways From Sundown" (1960), Veneta Stevenson	Movie: "Living It Up"						
38	DISN	"Land Before Time II: Great Valley"	Movie: "The Land Before Time III: The Time of the Great Giving" (1995) 'G'	"Land Before Time IV: Journey Through the Mists"	Goofy-Freeway	Ballad of Hector, the Stowaway Dog					
39	HBO	5:45 Movie: "Volcano" (1996)	Movie: ** "Solo" (1996) (In Stereo) PG-13 (Adult language, violence)	Movie: "Butter" (1998), Nia Long (In Stereo) R (Adult language, brief nudity, violence)		Skinheads U.S.A.: Soldiers of the Race War					
40	MAX	5:45 Movie: "Close Encounters - Special Ed"	Movie: *** "Frankie and Johnny" (1991), Michelle Pfeiffer, Hector Elizondo (In Stereo) R	Movie: *** "City of Industry" (1997), Stephen Dorff (In Stereo) R	Movie: "The Assault"						

THURSDAY LATE NIGHT APRIL 30, 1998		12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30
BROADCAST STATIONS											
3	WVMT	11:35 Late Show	Late Late Show (In Stereo)	Geraldo Rivera				CBS Up to the Minute (Joined in Progress)			
4	WVOT	Politically Incorrect	Strange Universe (R)	Paid Program	Paid Program	(Off Air)					
5	WGVU	11:30 Charlie Rose	(Off Air)								
7	WXMI	Vibe	To Be Announced			Paid Program	Murphy Brown	(Off Air)			Blossom (In Stereo)
8	WOOD	11:35 Tonight Show	Late Night (In Stereo)			Paid Program	NBC News Night				
22	WKAR	(Off Air)									
23	WZZM	Politically Incorrect	Martha Stewart Living	Gayle King (In Stereo)	News (R)	Access Hollywood	The View				ABC World News Now (Joined in Progress)
24	WSYM	11:30 Jenny Jones	Martha Stewart Living	Gayle King (In Stereo)	News (R)	All News Night	All News Night	All News Night	All News A.M.	All News A.M.	
17	TBS	10:35 Movie: *** "Joe Kidd" (1972) Clint Eastwood, John Saxon.				Movie: *** "High Plains Drifter" (1973) Clint Eastwood, Marianna Hill.					Gomer Pyle, USMC
18	FAM	Bonanza: The Lost Episodes	Paid Program	Paid Program	700 Club						Paid Program
19	FX	NYPD Blue "Bad Rap" (In Stereo)	Miami Vice "Evan"		Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
20	USA	Highlander: The Series "The Return of Amanda"	La Femme Nikita "Simone" (R) (In Stereo)	Movie: *** "Outrageous Fortune" (1987) Bette Midler, Peter Coyote. (In Stereo)							Sirens "The First Time" (In Stereo)
21	DISC	Wild Discovery "Animal Deception" (R)	Animal X (R)	Movie Magic (R)	Wings "Thunderchief" (R)						Paid Program
25	WGN	In the Heat of the Night "Liar's Poker" (In Stereo)	Simon & Simon "Shadows"		Paid Program	Paid Program					Movie: *** "Dying Young" (1991) Julia Roberts, Vincent D'Onofrio.
26	ESPN	Baseball Tonight	World's Strongest Man	Billiards: WPBA Classic Tour Final.	Sportscenter						Stanley Cup Playoffs: Cont. Quarterfinal Game 5 - Teams TBA
27	CNN	NewsNight	Burden of Proof (R)	Larry King Live (R)	Showbiz Today (R)	CNN/Sports Illustrated	Crossfire (R)	CNN/Sports Illustrated	CNN International	Newsroom	
28	NICK	Newhart "Local Hero"	Dick Van Dyke	Odd Couple	Bob Newhart	Rhoda	Bewitched	Happy Days	I Love Lucy	Mary Tyler Moore	Taxi "Jim the Psychic"
29	A&E	Biography "Tammy Wynette" (R)		UFOs: Have We Been Visited? Some of the most intriguing UFO stories. (R)							Movie: *** "Code of Silence" (1985)
30	FSD	Fox Sports International	Last Word	NBA Action (R)	Boxing: Fight Night at the Great Western Forum. From Inglewood, Calif. (R)						Paid Program
31	TNT	NBA Basketball Playoffs: Teams TBA	Inside the NBA	Movie: *** "The Doberman Gang" (1972) Byron Mabe, Julie Parrish.							Movie: *** "The Daring Dobermans" (1973) Charles Knox Robinson.
32	NASH	Dukes of Hazzard "Uncle Boss" (In Stereo)	Prime Time Country (R) (In Stereo)	Today's Country (R) (In Stereo)	(Off Air)						
33	TRAV	Lonely Planet "Spain" (R)	Rough Guide "Alaska" (R)	We Are Not Alone "Space Voyagers" (R)	Home Again (R)	Loose in Wildest Africa	Outdoor Journal (R)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
34	TLC	Roswell (R)	We Are Not Alone "Space Voyagers" (R)	Home Again (R)							Paid Program
35	SCIFI	11:00 Movie: *** "Alien Nation" (1988)	Movie: ** "Alien Nation: Dark Horizon" (1994) Gary Graham, Michele Scarabelli.	Wrath of God: Disasters in America	History Undercover (R)	Boris Karloff Presents Thriller "Waxworks"	World at War "Alone"				Abominable Snowman (R)
36	HIST	Abominable Snowman (R)									
37	AMC	11:30 Movie: *** "Living It Up" (1954)	Movie: *** "Johnny Dark" (1954), Piper Laurie, Don Taylor	Movie: *** "Willie and Joe Back at the Front" (1952), Harvey Lembeck	Movie: *** "The Gaucho" (1927), Lupe Velez						
38	DISN	Zorro (In Stereo)	Mickey Mouse Club	Movie: *** "Hot Lead and Cold Feet" (1978), Karen Valentine 'G'	Mousepiece Theatre	Movie: *** "The Three Lives of Thomasina" (1964), Karen Dotrice 'PG'	Scrooge McDuck				
39	HBO	From the Earth to the Moon (R)	From the Earth to the Moon (R)	"Round Midnight: David Spade: Take the Hit" (R)		Movie: "Grand Avenue" (1996) (Part 2 of 2), Irene Bedard (In Stereo)	"Operation-II"				
40	MAX	11:45 Movie: "The Assault" (1996) NR	Movie: *** "Kids" (1995) (In Stereo) NR (Adult language, adult situations, strong sexual content)	Movie: ** "Thinner" (1996), Joe Mantegna (In Stereo) R	Movie: "Sci-Fighters" R						

Posthumus' election covers all state bases for Lowell FFA chapter

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

With the election of Lisa Posthumus to the state FFA office of treasurer, a Lowell representative has now served in every state office of the organization.

Posthumus is the 11th state officer to come from Lowell. "She's carrying on a tradition of Lowell officers at the state level," said FFA director Pete Siler.

Serving as a state officer

Concern over Eastgate traffic accelerating

By Amy Briggs
Contributing Writer

"Our concerns need some attention!" was the outcry from residents of Eastgate subdivision at the Lowell Charter Township Board meeting April 20. Citizens are seeking intervention to safeguard children and pedestrians from speeding traffic in the residential Eastgate areas.

"The traffic is terrible on Settlewood where we live," reports Eastgate homeowner Cathy Bergeron. "The other day I saw a car [drive over] a soccer ball; next time it could be a child."

"People drive 60 in a 35 zone," announced another concerned resident. "People out walking have to jump into the weeds to avoid being hit."

Possible solutions for the Eastgate traffic problem were discussed at the meeting. Township supervisor John Timpson states that he has already looked into the possibility of having stronger light bulbs installed in traffic signals in the area. New signage was also mentioned, detailing desires for additional stop signs and signs announcing entrances to and exits from Eastgate.

"I don't know of any accidents reported in that area recently," says Timpson, "but I understand the concern with children playing in a high traffic area."

has been a goal of Posthumus' since attending her first convention as a freshman.

"I remember how everybody looked up to the state officers," Posthumus explained. "I knew then I wanted to be someone others looked up to."

Between her freshman and senior years, Posthumus has been extremely active and involved in FFA.

"I set a goal as a freshman to be a state officer. I've

worked hard to achieve that. I look forward to working with the state team and doing a great job as state treasurer," Posthumus said.

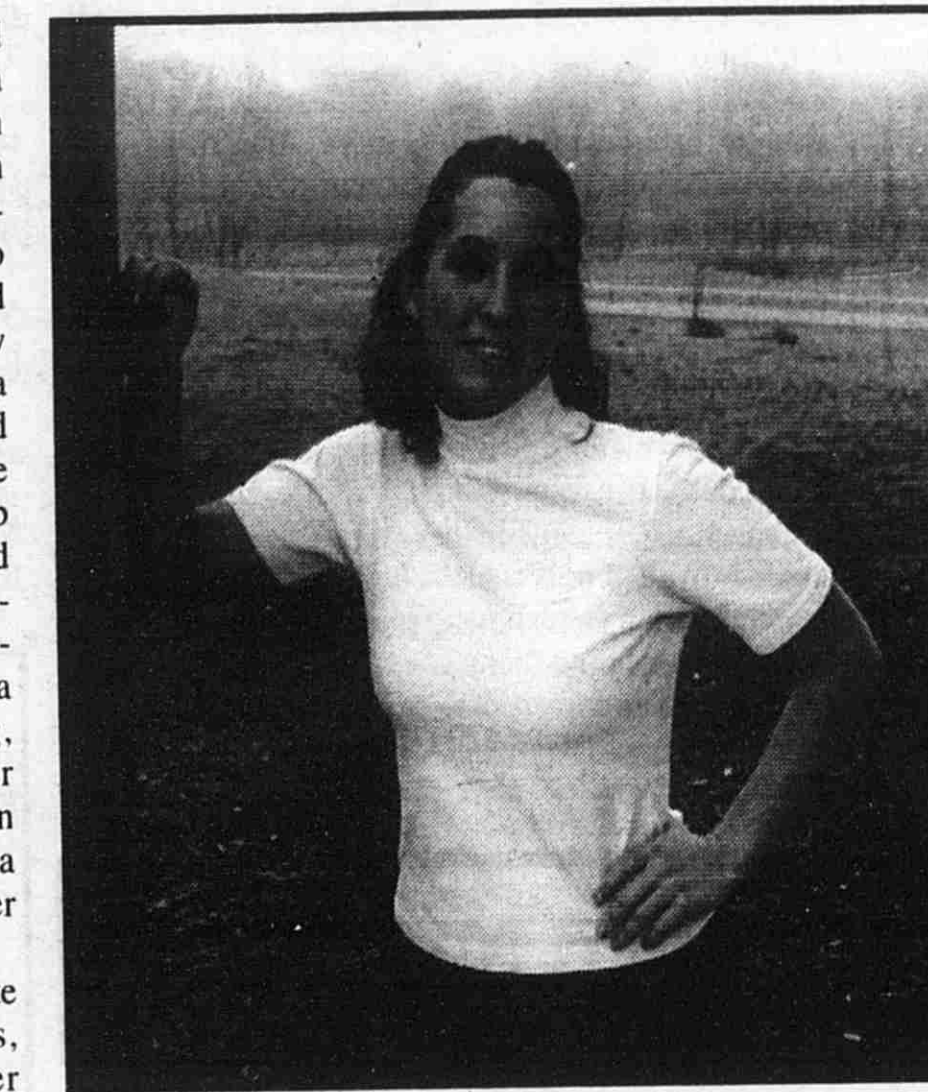
The Lowell senior was one of 19 candidates vying for a state office. After numerous interviews and a speech to the nominating committee, two people were slated for each office.

After each individual gave a speech to the delegates, they waited patiently for the president to announce the results. "It was about three hours later that the president announced the election results," Posthumus said.

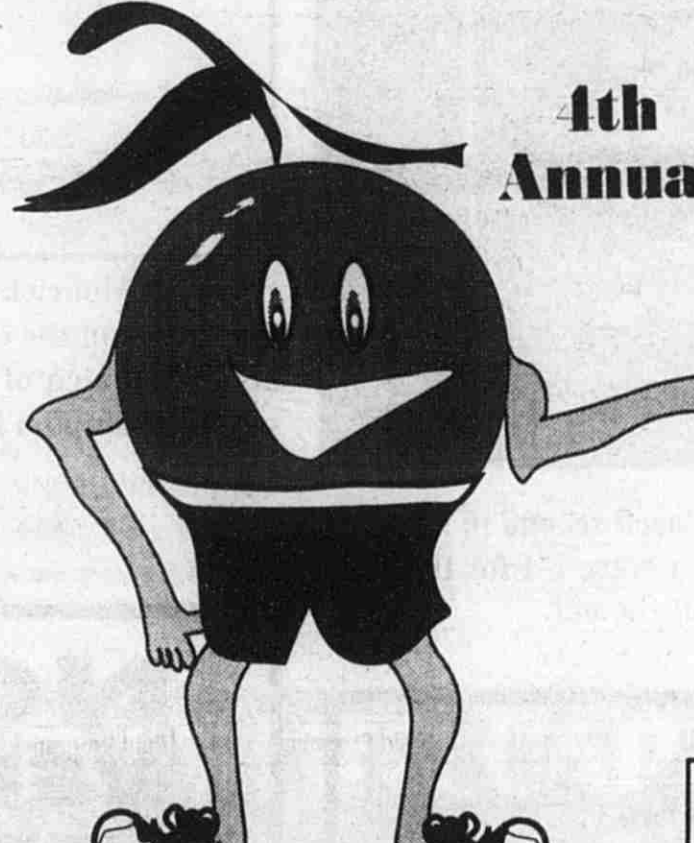
The treasurer plans on attending Michigan State University in the fall where she will study agricultural communications and political science.

Lowell's Beth Hoag and Posthumus also received a state degree; Shannon Finnegan and Katie Balaam were selected to the '98 national chorus; Finnegan also received a fourth-place gold award in the job interview contest; Bill Zook received a silver award in the greenhand public speaking contest; the demonstration team of Bob Ford, Chris VanSpronsen and Joe Patterson received a silver award; and the parliamentary procedure team of Lisa Osterhaven, Beth Hoag, Maggie Wisner, Jennifer Wisner, Jeff Noall, Brian Fitzpatrick and Terra Thurlow received a silver award.

Performing with the state band were Jenny Prins, Christin Colon, Jennifer Wisner and Lindsay Perkins.



Lisa Posthumus was elected to the state FFA office of treasurer.



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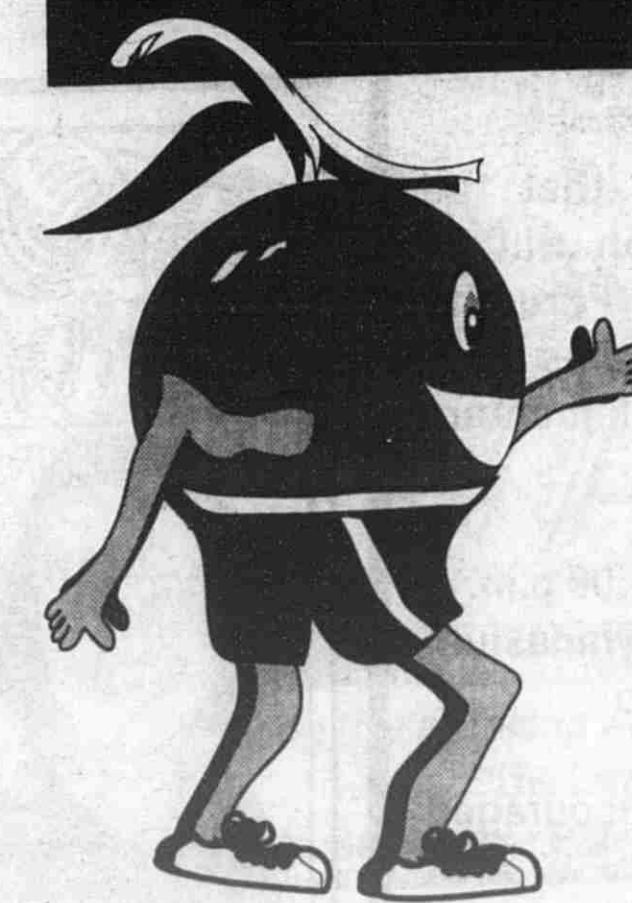
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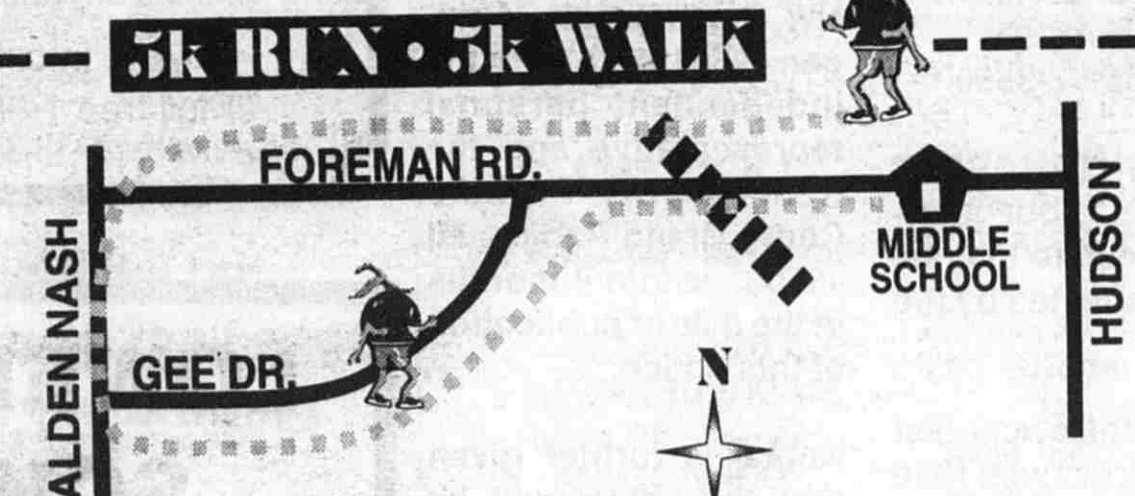
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Freshmen lead Red Arrow netters in respectable showing at Lowell Invitational

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

The Red Arrow third doubles team of Alan Stiver and Collin Vincent are freshmen all right, but their play in the Lowell Tennis Invitational Saturday reflected that of experienced upperclassmen.

The freshman duo were 3-0 with two of their wins of a three-set variety - the most significant one coming in the finals against Greenville.

Stiver and Vincent hung on for a grueling 6-3, 6-7, 7-5 win and the third doubles championship.

"As far as I'm concerned, they were the story of the tournament," Lowell tennis coach Jerry Adams said. "To show the mental stamina after having played two matches (one three set) shows a lot about them."

The four-team tournament was won by Greenville. The Yellowjackets garnered 19 points. Alma placed second, win-

ning the tiebreaker over Big Rapids. Both squads finished with 10 points. Lowell was third with nine.

"I'm very pleased with our performance. It is a definite improvement over their performance last year," Adams said. "I hope we can take the confidence gained from this into the rest of the season."

Lowell's fourth doubles team of Ryan Brown and Andy Mikutta finished second. The doubles team lost to Greenville in the finals 6-4, 7-6.

"They started out slow but slugged it out in the first match and then won their second match easily," Adams said.

Red Arrows' number one doubles team of J.B. Hunt and Mauro Lima also placed second. They lost to Greenville in the finals 6-0, 6-0.

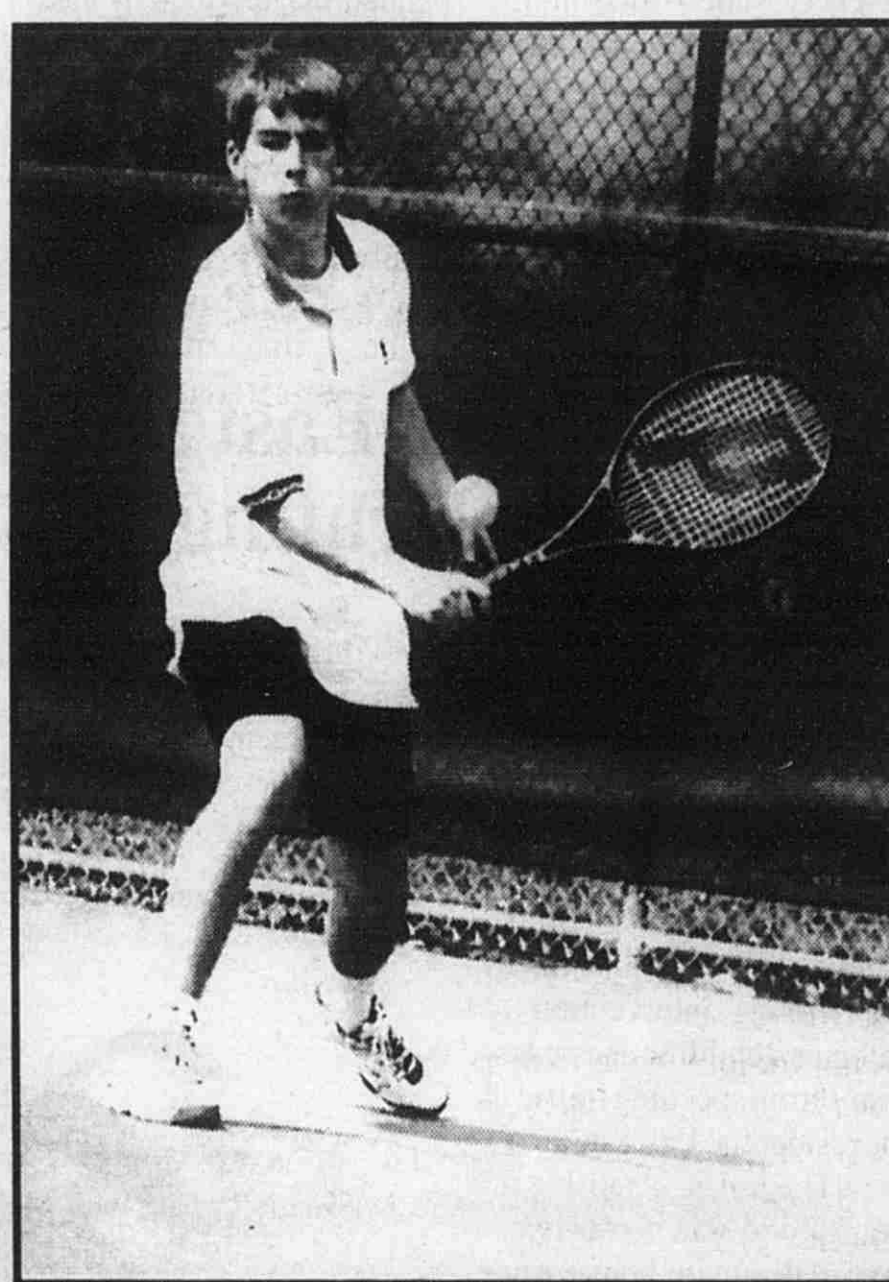


J. B. Hunt and Mauro Lima placed second in number one singles play on Saturday. They were 2-1 for the day. Lima, above, puts the ball away at the net.

"Their key match was a tough 7-5, 6-2 win over Alma," Adams said.

Lowell's second doubles team of Jeff Noall and Jim Jastifer were 0-3.

In singles play, Brandon Grove (1st singles) was 0-3, Charlie Johnson (2nd singles) was 1-2, Jason Grover (3rd singles) was 0-3 and Tom Maurier (4th singles) was 1-2.



Tom Mourier did not place but went 1-2, winning his last match of the day. The Red Arrow lost in three sets in his first match of the day to the eventual number four singles champion from Greenville.

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Application forms may be obtained at the township offices located at 10381 Bailey Dr., Lowell, MI 49331. The office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. A summary of job descriptions is also available. If you are unable to visit during the office hours, send a stamped self-addressed envelope to the above address and a form and job description will be sent.

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Lowell girls' track team needs 1600-meter relay to conquer Zeeland

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Seniors Julie Wisner, Cindy Briggs and Celena Risner bring portfolios with them.

A coach knows what to expect when they suit up.

It's the new faces, the unknown, that Lowell track coach Kathy Talus was trying to discover in the Red Arrows' opening league meets against Zeeland and Hastings.

Lowell defeated Zeeland 72-65 and lost to Hastings 75-62.

One of those new faces that vaulted and raced into the Lowell girls' track team picture was freshman Ashley Cunningham.

"Ashley is going to score us some points this year," Talus said.

After two meets, the Hastings 75 Lowell 62

Shot Put: 2) Maggie Wisner, 31-10 1/2.

Long Jump: 1) Julie Wisner, 14-10; 2) Celena Risner, 14-3; 3) Treasure McElven 12-11 1/2.

Discus: 2) Wisner, 86-7.

High Jump: 2) Kristy Ford, 4-8; 3) Becker 4-4.

Pole Vault: 1) Ashley Cunningham, 7-3; 2) Beth Larabee, 6-3.

3200 M Rel: 2) Lowell, 11:22.92.

100 H Hurdles: 1) Sarah Sper, 19.98.

100 M Dash: 1) Christie Johnson, 14.25.

800 M Rel: 2) Lowell, DQ.

400 M Run: 1) Wisner, 1:04.7; 3) Trisha McCaul, 1:06.

300 Hurdles: 2) Andrea Baker, 57.13; 3) Sper, 59.04.

800 M Run: 1) Cunningham, 2:49; 3) Cindy Briggs, 2:50.

200 M Run: 1) Johnson, 28.6; 2) Wisner, 29.4.

3200 M Run: 3) Baker, 15:04.

1600 M Relay: 2) Lowell, 4:54.4.

Lowell 72 Zeeland 65

Shot Put: 3) Maggie Wisner, 29-4.

Long Jump: 1) Julie Wisner, 15-7; 2) Celena Risner, 14-6.

Discus: 1) Maggie Wisner, 92-9.

High Jump: 2) Kristy Ford, 4-10.

Pole Vault: 1) Ashley Cunningham, 6-9; 3) Risner, 6-9.

3200 M Rel: 1) Lowell, 11:35.77.

100 H Hurdles: 2) Kristen Smit, 19.66; 3) Sarah Sper, 20.07.

100 M Dash: 1) Risner, 13.16.

800 M Rel: 1) Lowell, 1:54.34.

1600 M Run: 3) Kaily Wittenbach, 6:41.68

400 M Relay: 2) Lowell, 56.20.

400 M Run: 3) Trisha McCaul, 1:09.

300 Hurdles: 2) Andrea Baker, 56.81; 3) Mindy Tarney, 58.71

800 M Run: 1) Cindy Briggs, 2:43.44; 3) Cunningham, 2:53.98.

200 M Run: 1) Julie Wisner, 27.52.

3200 M Run: 2) Baker, 14:40.

1600 M Relay: 1) Lowell, 4:33.96.

freshman is the team's leading pole vaulter. She cleared 6'9" against Zeeland and then raised her performance bar to 7'3" against Hastings. Both marks earned her first-place finishes. "That will put Ashley right up there with the best in the league," said Lowell boys' track coach Keith Boeve and the girls' pole vault coach.

Cunningham did all right on foot too. Her time of 2:49 in the 800-meter run against Hastings was nearly a second better than her nearest competitor.

Against Zeeland, Cunningham and teammates Trisha McCaul, Andrea Baker and Briggs easily dispatched their Chix counterparts. The Red Arrows stopped the clock in 11:35.77.

Rickert no-hits Greenville

*** Lowell sweeps Greenville, splits with FHN and loses two to Rockford.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell's Andrea Rickert recorded her first varsity softball win and a no-hitter in back-to-back games against Forest Hills Northern and Greenville.

After losing its season opener to Creston, the Red Arrows bounced back to win three of its next four games. Lowell split a pair with the Huskies, losing the opener 5-1 and winning the nightcap 12-6.

Against Greenville, Lowell had to battle back in game one before winning 8-6; then behind the strong pitching performance of Rickert, the Red Arrows won the second game 11-1.

Lowell answered with three runs of its own in the bottom half of the inning. A double, two singles, an error and a wild pitch scored the Red Arrow runs.

Lowell added two runs in the third, three in the fifth, and three more in the sixth to complete its scoring.

Lisa Posthumus was 3 for 4, scored three runs and

knocked in a run.

Amy Snell and Laurie Barton each collected two hits and scored two runs. Barton also had two runs batted in.

"Posthumus is 11 for 16 at the plate," Rodenhouse explained. "I don't think two of her hits have gotten past third base. She's doing a great job of bunting."

In game one, Rickert tripled home Snell from first base with the go-ahead run and then scored on a pass ball in the top of the seventh in-

ning.

Lowell got a big lift from Stacey Kinyon in relief. The Red Arrow came into the game in the second inning for starter Jenny Miller. The bases were loaded with no outs. Kinyon struck out the first two batters and got the third out on a ground ball to short. "That was a key. It propelled us to victory,"

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Zeeland came home in 11:56.17.

There were no surprises in the long jump in either meet. Wisner, state qualifier in each of the last two years, bested Risner. Wisner jumped 15'7" against Zeeland and her one jump of 14-10 was enough against Hastings.

The senior (27.52) was also first in the 200 against

Zeeland and in the 400 (1:04.7) against Hastings.

She won the 400, despite running with a pulled leg muscle.

Wisner teamed with Christie Johnson, Briggs and McCaul to post a winning time of 1:54.34 against Zeeland.

Risner and Johnson each earned top honors in the 100 dash. Johnson accomplished it against Hastings in a time of 14.25 and Risner raced home in a winning time of 13.16 against Zeeland.

Johnson was also first in the 200 against Hastings with a time of 28.6.

The match against Zeeland came down to the final event, the 1600-meter relay. The Red Arrows' Johnson, McCaul, Briggs and

Wisner stopped the clock in 4:33.96.

"That race determined the meet. The girls were confident going in that they would win it," Talus said.

Their time proved it, as it was 14 seconds better than Zeeland's.

Maggie Wisner's throw of 92'9" earned her a first against Zeeland. Her 86'7" placed her second at Hastings.

Briggs earned an individual first in the 800 run against Zeeland with a time of 2:43.44.

"Zeeland is a much improved club," Talus said. "Hastings is a club I felt we should have beaten. We were hurt by injuries in that meet, but that is part track."

*** Happiness is good health and bad memory - Ingrid Bergman ***

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Red Arrow boys track down Zeeland; fall to strong Saxon team

••• Tyler Southwell clears 12-6 in the pole vault at Hastings on Thursday.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

It's early in the season, but there are two people who think Tyler Southwell has a chance at the school pole vault record.

Least of which is the senior himself. "I am going to break the school record," Southwell says.

The school record (13-6) was set last year by Matt Dykstra.

"The record is within Tyler's reach," says his Red Arrow track coach Keith Boeve. "I am pleased with the improvement he has shown. Tyler's confidence level has been super."

Southwell cleared 12'6" against Hastings and finished second. His height of 11'6" won him the event against Zeeland.

Boeve also likes the leadership Southwell has dis-

played with underclassmen. "I actually think it has helped Tyler to be able to help the younger teammates."

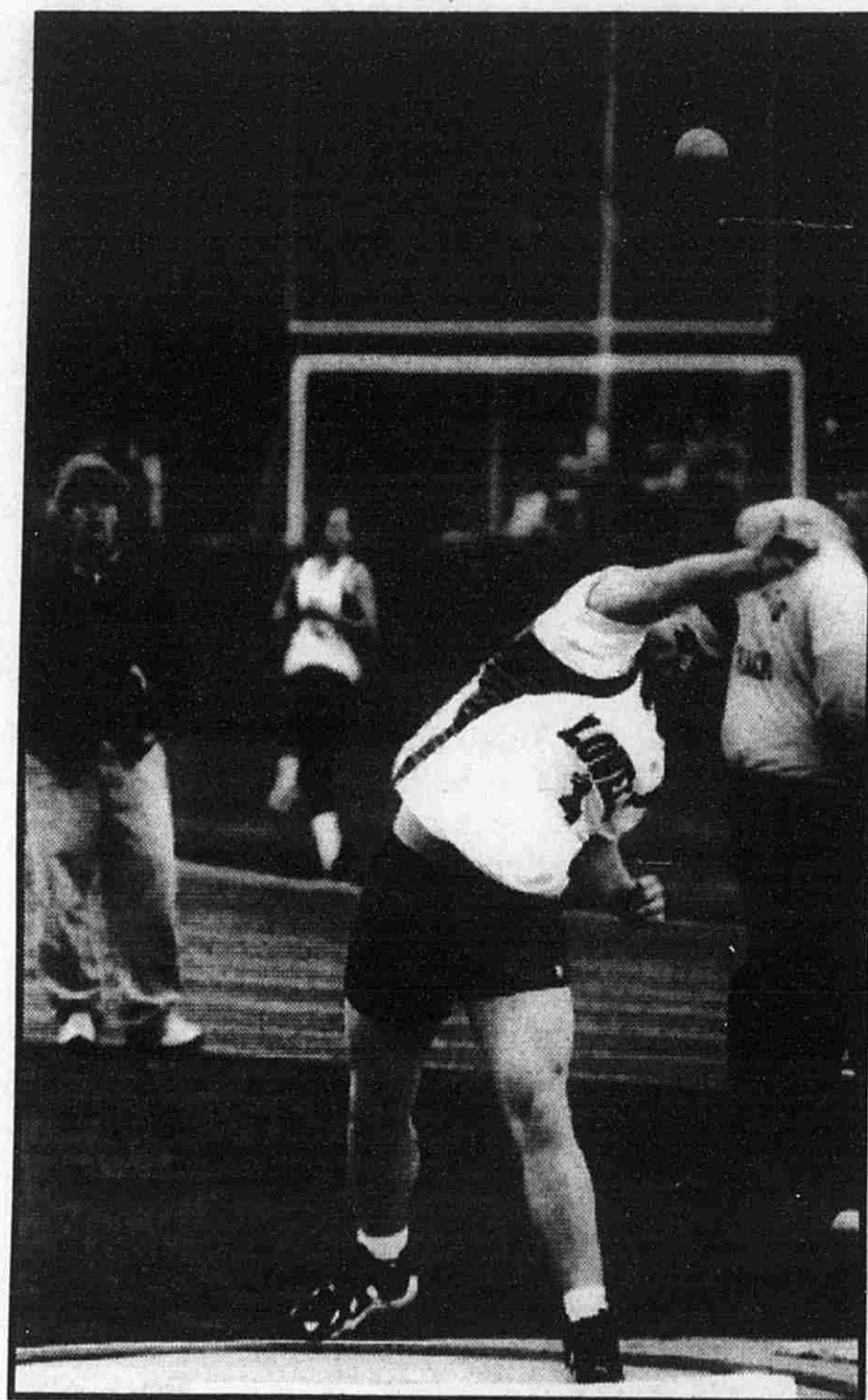
It definitely has helped to spark Neil Reimbold. The freshman cleared nine feet against Zeeland and then came back and cleared 10'6" against Hastings. "Neil is just going to get better and better," Boeve explains.

Southwell's support has also been spread over to the first-year girl pole vaulters.

"I like the camaraderie that has been built between the boy and girl pole vaulters," Boeve explains. "They are there for one another when vaulting. That's cool."

The first two league meets of the season proved one thing. Track is all about match-ups.

"We do not match-up very well with Hastings," Boeve said. However, Lowell beat



Damian Omness lets go with one of his throws in the shot put.

Zeeland. "Zeeland is a club that will match-up with Hastings. The Chix may be the only team in the league which has a chance at defeating Hastings."

It was the Saxons' sprint crew which was the difference in their 82-55 win over Lowell. "Hastings' sprint crew is outstanding and deep," Boeve said.

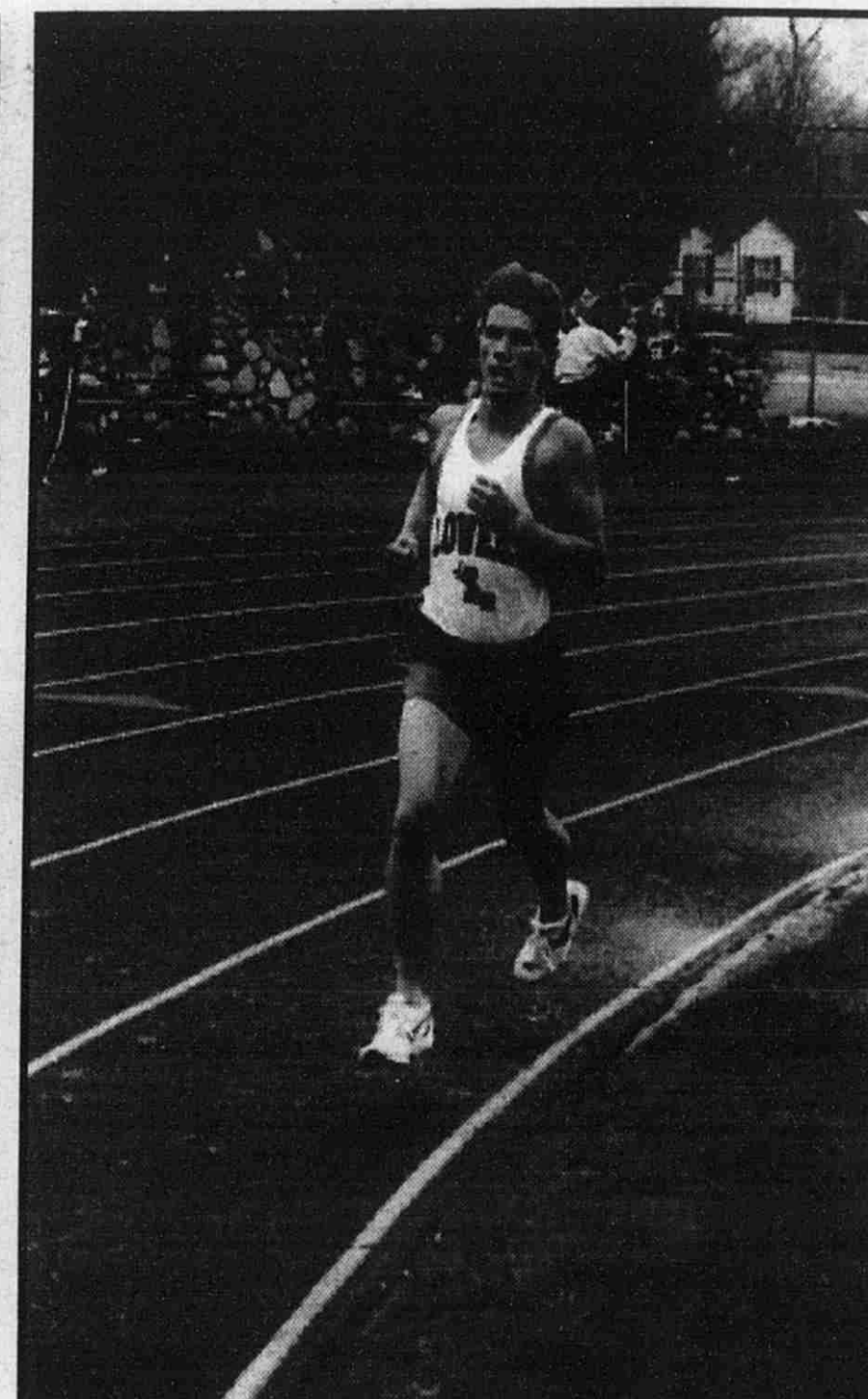
The 100, 200, 400, 800, 1600, 3200, 6400, 12800, and 25600 meter relay teams also claimed top honors.

Jeff Ortowski, Wittenbach, Mark Maatman, and Mix came home in 8:40.88 in the 3200.

Kevin Huisman, Wittenbach, Mix and Nick DeZwaan stopped the clock at 3:50.9 in the 1600.

Wittenbach and Ortowski were second and third respectively in the 800.

In its league opener



Ryan Wittenbach won the 1600-meter run in a time of 4:55.1 against Hastings.

relays and hurdles were Hastings' strongholds.

Lowell held its own in the distance and field events.

Bill Stouffer won the shot put (43-3 1/2). Brian Bellechasses, the long jump (18-7 1/2) and Bill Wiering, the high jump (6-2).

In the distance events, Lowell won the 3200-meter relay (8:36.3), and the 1600-meter relay in 3:44.46. Wittenbach won the 1600-meter run (4:43.50) and the 800 (2:07.16).

We have a number of young kids who are starting to know what it takes to be good at the varsity level," Boeve said. "DeZwaan, Maatman, Chris Huizinga, Mix and Reimbold all ran varsity for the first time."

Wittenbach, Mark Maatman, and Mix came home in 8:40.88 in the 3200.

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Lowell 77 2/3
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Shot Put: 1) Bill Stouffer, 43-3 1/2; 2) Damian Omness, 39-9.

Long Jump: 1) Brian Bellechasses, 18-7 1/2; 2) Bill Wiering, 18-7; 3) Brian Haan, 17-6 1/2.

Discus: 3) Kevin Condon, 117-9.

High Jump: 1) Wiering, 6-2; Mike Williams, 5-0.

Pole Vault: 1) Tyler Southwell, 11-6.

3200 M Rel: 1) Lowell, 8:36.3.

100/110HH: 1) Josh Manion, 16-6; 2) Neil Reimbold, 16-9.

100 M Dash: 2) Williams, 11-5.

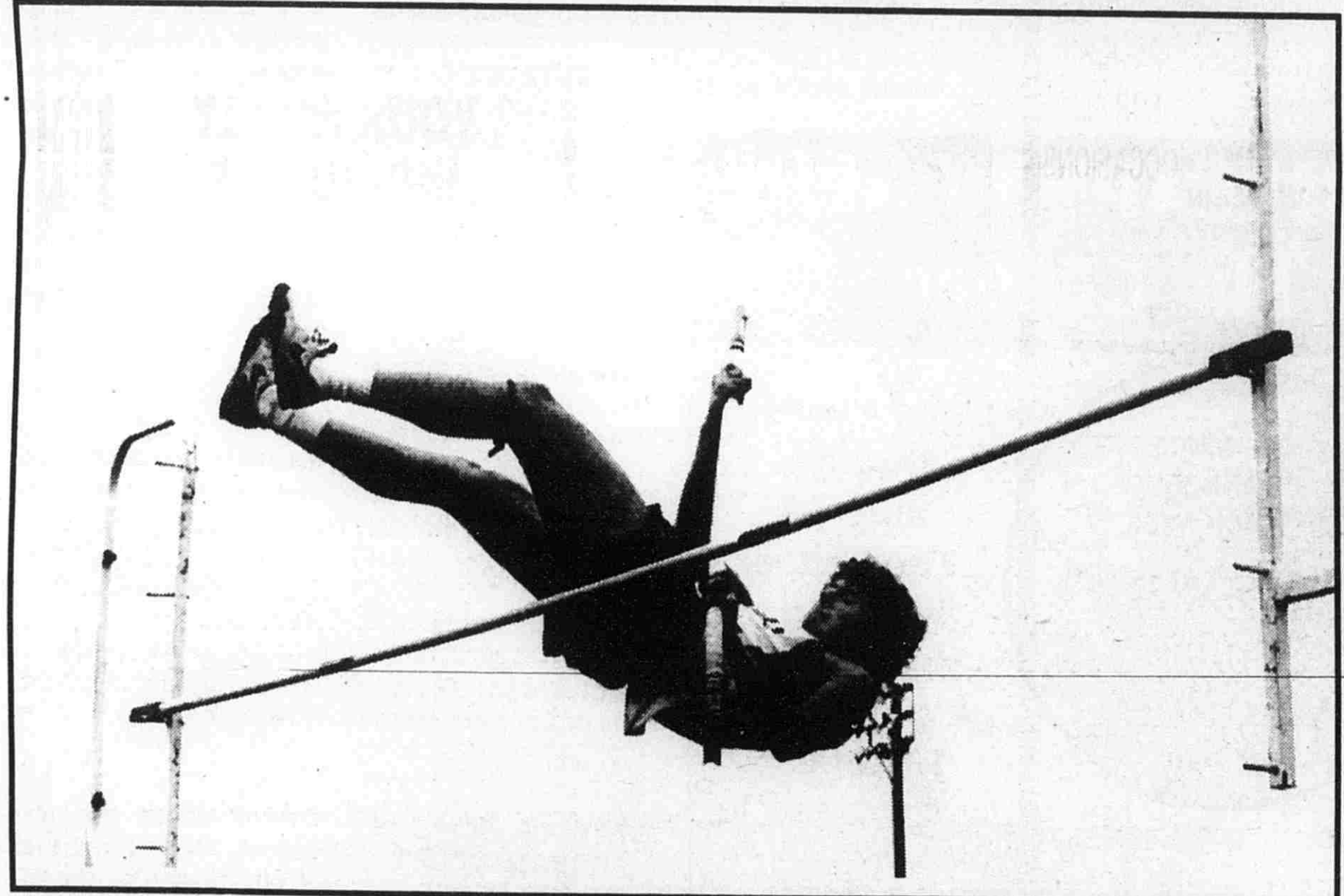
1600 M Run: 1) Ryan Wittenbach, 4:43.50.

400 M Dash: 1) Nate Schoen, 52:61; 2) Adam Mix, 54:84.

300 MH: 1) Nate Reimbold, 43:75; 2) Jeff Pfaller, 44:10.

800 M Run: 1) Wittenbach, 2:07.16; 2) Jeff Ortowski, 2:09.11.

1600 M Rel: 1) Lowell, 3:44.46.



A plethora of local camps available to LHS athletes

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Spring sports mark the end of the high school athletic season, unless you're a high school coach or athlete at Lowell High School.

From June 15 through July 31, there will be 10 athletic summer camps based at sites throughout the district for Lowell athletes. The only sport not represented is wrestling.

"I opened up the idea to all the coaches and asked if they were interested in holding a summer camp," Lowell athletic director Barry Hobra explains. "I don't think it is common in Michigan for high schools to hold athletic camps over the summer."

Hobra explains that traditionally colleges have held summer camps for high school athletes. "They have used camps as recruiting tools and ways to make money," he says.

Lowell has always had a few camps that have run during the summer.

This year, the number of camps has multiplied. The summer camp season begins June 15 for cheerleaders and girls basketball. The last of the summer camps is volleyball which runs July 27-31.

"The camps are a way for athletes to see their coaches and develop a bond and a desire to participate," Hobra said.

The high school camps are also far less expensive than the cost of a college camp. With the exception of football (\$25) and golf (\$49), the camps all cost \$30. Tennis offers a reduced price for youth (\$18).

Each camp offers approximately 10 hours of instruction. "The intent is to develop Lowell area students into better athletes in their sports," Hobra said.

All camps, except golf, will be directed by Lowell High School coaching staffs. They will be instructed by coaches and athletes with a thorough knowledge of the sport.

The golf camp will be run by Cascade Golf Center pro Randy Ernst.

Lowell athletes will have the opportunity to sign up for camps on Saturday, April 25, from 9 until 11 a.m. in the high school cafeteria. Those who enroll on April 25 will receive a camp T-shirt.

One of the challenges the Lowell Athletic Department was faced with was coordinating the 10 camps so that they didn't compete with one another, thus allowing two three sport athletes to participate in more than one camp if they so choose.

"It's up to the coaches to continually improve and promote the camps," Hobra said. "They must make sure the experience is a valuable and fun one for the student."

Habitat for Humanity construction begins this summer

Two houses for Habitat for Humanity are going up this summer in Lowell. Initiated by the local churches, the whole community is now joining together to see the houses built. Each house requires \$40,000 (\$20,000 from Habitat and \$20,000 donated from the community). Individuals and organizations have offered money and labor to help make this dream a reality. Several local restaurants have offered to provide food for on-site meals during work days. The goal for groundbreaking is early summer.

Through a lengthy screening process, Habitat has selected the two homeowners for Lowell. They are Jill Sloma and Donna Keech. Each homeowner is expected to put in 500 hours of labor on Habitat sites; 150 of those hours must be completed before their own home is started. After the house is built, the homeowner will pay the entire price of the house back to Habitat, who will use that money to begin other houses.

If you would like to help build these two houses, you can send monetary donations to Habitat for Humanity, 539 New Ave. SW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503. Donations must be designated for the Lowell houses. You may also request a volunteer registration form to help on-the-job site by calling 774-2431 and say that it is for the Lowell house.

For years now, Habitat for Humanity has been building

The answer to this week's Whitecaps trivia question: Who is the manager for the Whitecaps? Bruce Fields.

houses to provide "a simple decent place to live" at an affordable price for families around the world. By providing a low cost house to low income families and assistance in financial planning, Habitat for Humanity is changing lives. Each house is built through the cooperation of volunteers, guided by professionals, and the future homeowner.

Honor Roll, cont'd.... From Page 9

Wisner, Kaily Wittenbach, Tasha Yeiter, Katie Yeo, Benjamin Zeeuw, Joseph Zeeuw.

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Habitat for Humanity has been active in Kent County for 15 years. To date, they have built 71 houses. This year alone they will be building 17 more. These two will be the first two houses in the Lowell area.

Nationally, Habitat builds 4,000 houses a year and has built more than 63,000 houses in their history.

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Slow start hinders Red Arrow girls in 2-0 loss to Zeeland

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Two things are becoming ever so clear to the Lowell girls soccer team.

First, that soccer is a physical sport; secondly, that a lot of hard work is involved in preparing to win.

"The girls who have played varsity sports know how much intensity and hard work are needed," Lowell soccer coach Ryan Conlan said. "Our younger players still need to understand that."

His club's lack of intensity and aggressiveness in a 2-0 OK White league loss to Zeeland disappointed Conlan.

"The first 15 minutes we were not aggressive. Zeeland knocked us around and dictated the way the game was going to go. The girls then elevated their play, but it was too late," Conlan explained. "Our girls weren't ready to play. I attribute that to lack of experience and the layoff."

What may have hurt Conlan even more was that the first-year coach believes Zeeland is a game his squad could have won.

From an execution standpoint, Conlan said his club is having trouble in transition from defense to offense. "We have

to get the ball to our midfielders further up the field. I want them to look to shoot and not just look to pass to our forwards," he said.

Zeeland scored the game's first goal in the first half. Katie VanDussen pushed one past Lowell goalie Megan Cindric off an assist from Patty Elsen.

The Chix second goal came 10 minutes into the second half off the foot of Kara Folkert with an assist from Elsen.

"We had two scoring opportunities, but didn't capitalize," Conlan said. "On a positive note, I think our inexperienced

players are beginning to understand the physicalness of girls' soccer."

The Lowell coach recognized Cindric for her play in the net. "Megan is doing a good job in the net in her first year as goalie," he explained.

Zeeland outshot Lowell 22-12. Cindric had seven saves. Zeeland's Ivy Bodkins recorded five saves.

On Friday Lowell traveled to Hastings. It lost by the same score, 2-0.

The loss dropped Lowell's record to 2-3 overall and 0-3 in the OK White.

Softball, continued... From Page 21

Rodenhouse said. "We came out flat, but the girls came through when they needed to."

Kinyon pitched six innings, gave up four runs on three hits and struck out six in earning her first varsity win.

Whatever it was about FHN's Jodi Kirmode that puzzled Lowell in game one was solved in game two.

Lowell, which only secured three hits against Kirmode in the opener, unloaded on the Huskie in the nightcap. The Red Arrows pounded out 16 hits and scored 12 times enroute to the victory.

"It was great to see the girls come back against Kirmode. She is a quality pitcher," Rodenhouse said. "We finally got the

bats going. I hope this is a sign for the rest of the season."

Rickett got the win for Lowell, allowing six runs on six hits. She walked five and struck out four.

In the opener against the Huskies, a bases-loaded triple with no outs in the seventh inning broke up a 1-1 tie leading FHN to the win.

The four-run seventh inning nullified a strong pitching performance by Lowell's Miller.

"Jenny pitched a great game. She had good control," Rodenhouse said.

Lowell closed out the week with a doubleheader against Rockford. The Rams pounded Lowell 14-3 and 144.

Red Arrow 9-5 win over Christian gives Lowell its nine second straight tournament championship

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

For the second straight year, Lowell did what a host is supposed to do - win its baseball tournament.

Lowell's 9-5 win over South Christian in the day's finale earned the Red Arrows the Lowell Invitational title.

Lowell, Grandville and South Christian each finished the day with 1-1 records. Lowell won the championship using the win differential as a tiebreaker.

The Red Arrows lost to Grandville 2-1 in the day's opener. South Christian then defeated Grandville 7-4.

In the final game of the tournament, the Sailors and Red Arrows were tied at 5-5 going into the seventh inning to secure the win.

A couple of bloopers and a few blasts, however, helped Lowell cross home plate four times in the final inning.

T.J. Thayer led off the

inning with a single. He then stole second. Steve VanLaan then brought him home as he belted a pitch over the center field fence some 345 feet away.

One out late, David Luyk delivered a pinch hit single. Shane Teelander followed with Lowell's second two-run homer of the inning, this one sailing over the left field fence.

"We have not been hitting that well. It was nice to see our bats get going," Lowell baseball coach Kris Kropf said.

Lowell pounded out nine hits against Sailor pitching.

The Red Arrows scored two runs in the first and added single runs in the third and fourth innings to take a 4-0 lead.

South Christian battled back into the contest with a four-run fourth, tying the contest at 4-4.

The Sailors took a 5-4 lead in the fifth on a two-out double and a Lowell error.

Tied at 5-5 in the sixth, Lowell's Tim VanLaan singled, then stole second and third. He then scored on a pinch hit sacrifice fly off the bat of Keith Valentine.

In its loss to Grandville, the Red Arrows managed just four hits off of Bulldog pitching. Three of those hits came in the seventh inning.

The big hit was a solo blast over the left field wall by Andy Graham to lead off the inning.

Lowell loaded the bases on a walk and two singles, but Jeff Altoft grounded to first to end the game.

The Red Arrows got sound pitching from Jim Gilchrist. "He was fantastic. He had control of his curve ball. We just couldn't get it going at the plate. We're a better hitting team than what we've shown to this point."

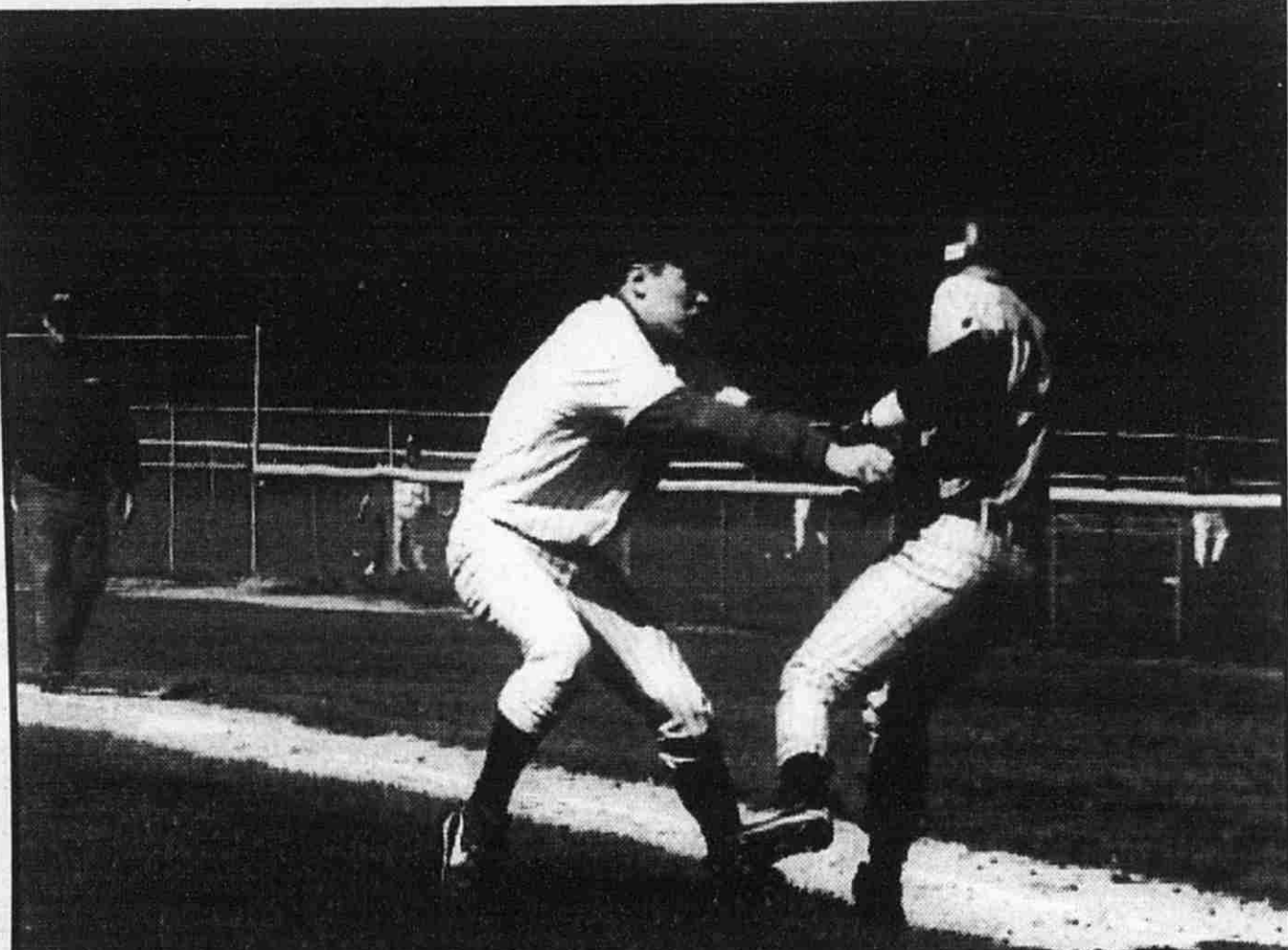
Gilchrist held a good hitting Grandville club to three hits.

On Friday, Lowell split a doubleheader with Rockford. The Rams won the opener 10-4. Lowell came back and won game two behind the pitching of Dusty Gless.

"Gless was in total control after the first inning," Kropf said. "He had command of his pitches."

Rockford scored its only run in the fifth on two singles and a sacrifice.

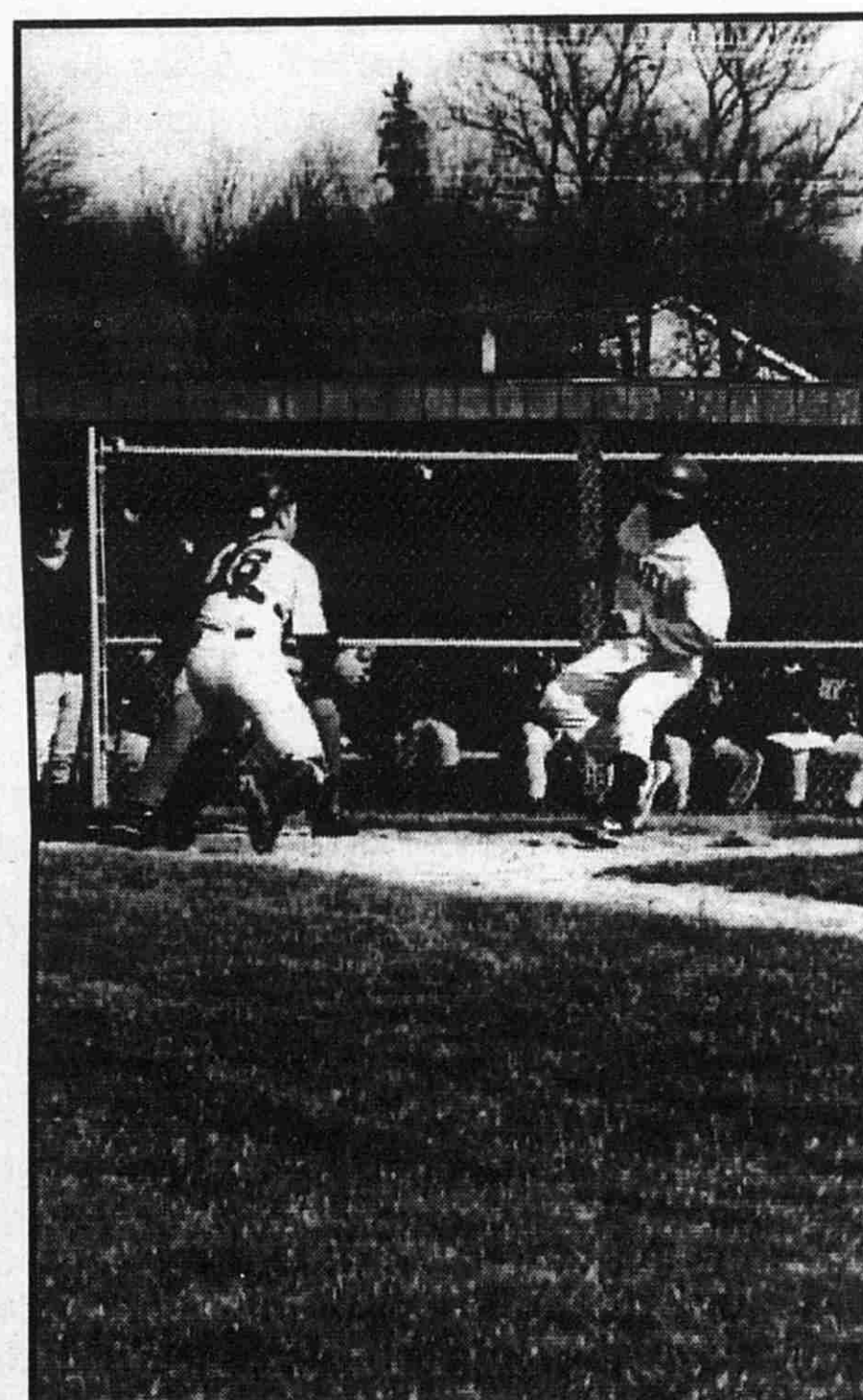
Lowell scored all of its runs in the second inning. Steve VanLaan walked. An



Jeff Altoft, Lowell first baseman, tags out the Grandville runner on a sacrifice bunt.

error then put Lowell runners at first and second. Gless then drove them both home with a two-run double.

Lowell finished the week at 2-2. It has games with Zeeland on Wednesday (April 22) and Wyoming Park on Friday.



A Red Arrow runner attempts to score against the Bulldogs.

Hazardous material conference focuses responders in on exposures and response

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

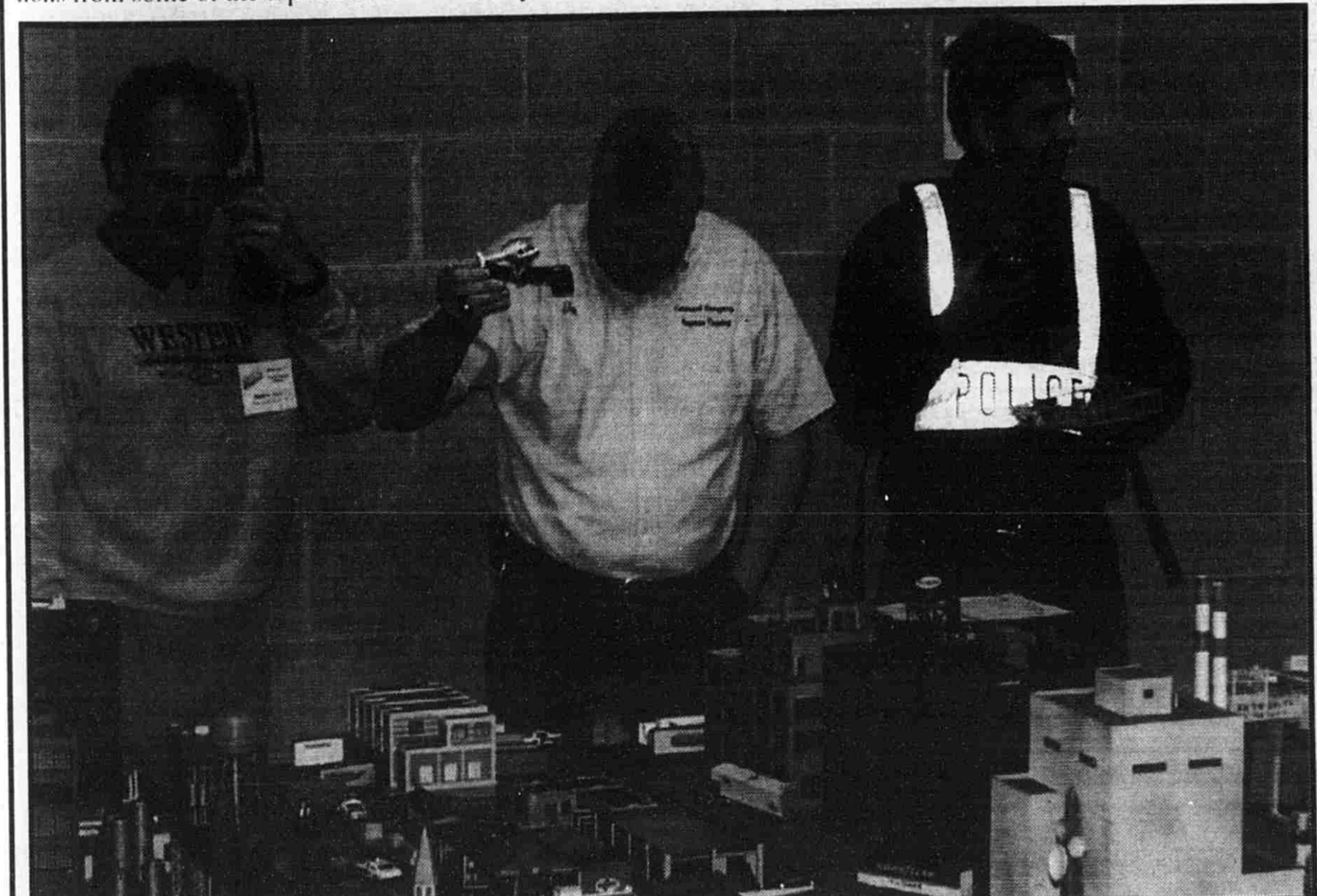
The community of Lowell has never been protected so well as it was Saturday and not known it.

The first annual Hazardous Materials Conference brought nearly 300 hazardous materials responders to Lowell High School for the two-day (Friday and Saturday) conference consisting of lectures, hands-on workshops, and demonstrations from some of the top names in the country.

captain of the Wallingford, Conn., Fire Department. He is the coauthor of *Hazardous Materials Exposures-Emergency Response and Patient Care*.

Callan is also the lead instructor on the video training series by Emergency Resources Inc. - *Surviving the Hazardous Materials Incident*. The speaker also conducts chemical response training around the country for Industrial and Municipal HazMat teams.

According to Robert Townsend, supervisor of Amway's Hazardous Materials Emergency Response team, it is not



Hazardous material responders participated in a hazardous spill simulation.

Some of the classroom topics covered were law, chemistry, explosives, corrosives and air monitoring.

The conference was organized by Kent County HazMat (Hazardous Material) teams. There are six teams in Kent County, three of which are jurisdiction and three are industry.

The jurisdiction teams are located in Cascade, Grand Rapids and Wyoming. The industry teams are with Amway, Gordon Foods and Lacks Industry.

"The purpose is to increase the level of training, and organize so we can better help each other," said Steve Nichols, president of Michigan Association of Hazardous Materials Responders (MAHMR).

Michael Callan was the conference keynote speaker. Callan is a 20-year veteran of the fire service and a former

just rushing into a contaminated area. "The chemical must be identified first. If you rush in, there's a good chance you won't walk out."

That is also a good tip for residents within a contaminated area. "Stay away," Townsend said. "If you can smell it, you're too close."

Back in the early 1980's, nearly 6,000 people lost their lives after a methylisocyanate spill in Bhopal, India.

"No matter how educated a person is, the instinct is to go see what it is," Townsend said.

Both Nichols and Townsend had high praise for the accommodations provided by Lowell High School. "Dick Graham and his crew went out of their way to assist us," Nichols said.

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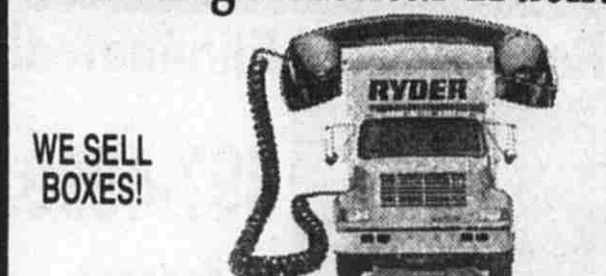
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EVERY THIRD SUN.: The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse at 11841 Potters Rd. Just east of Montcalm Ave., potluck dinner, 12:00 p.m., meeting at 1:00 p.m. New members and guests are welcome. No Sept. meeting.

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

EVERY THIRD MONDAY: MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) meeting from 9:45 a.m. - noon at Saranac Community Church. Pre-register. Childcare provided. 642-6322.

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: 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 SECOND TUES.: Lowell Masonic Lodge regular meeting, 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Center, 119 Lincoln Lake, Lowell. All Masons are welcome.

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.

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.

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

EVERY FIRST WEDNESDAY: Lowell Area Jaycees meet at 7 p.m. at Lowell City Hall. Individual, community and management development for young

adults 21-39 years of age. Phone 897-0709 for information.

FIRST WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH: Alzheimers Support Group meets at 6:30 p.m. at Cumberland Retirement Village. Phone 897-9310 for information.

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."

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

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

EVERY 2ND THURS.: N.A.R.F.E. meets 1:30 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 2700 E. Fulton.

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.

EVERY THIRD THURSDAY: Royal Arch Masons regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Lowell Masonic Center, 119 Lincoln Lake, Lowell. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

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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.

THURSDAYS: Weight Watchers meets in Lowell at the Lowell Congregational Church, 404 N. Hudson, at 7 p.m. Registration is a half hour before and after meetings. New members are invited to join at any time. Questions? Call 1-800-651-6000.

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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.

THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH: Parents Of Murdered Children & Other Survivors of Homicide (POMC) of West Michigan meets at 7 p.m. in the Discovery Room of Trinity Methodist Church, 1100 Lake Drive, SE, Grand Rapids. Contact Danni Smith, 897-2544.

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., APRIL 29: "A History of Retailing on Lowell's Main Street" will be the subject of a panel discussion at the meeting of the Lowell Area Historical Association. Several long-time Lowell residents who owned and/or operated businesses on Main Street will discuss how the mix of commerce, customers and merchandising took place in a small town. Several artifacts from the LAHA will be displayed. Refreshments will be served following the program which will be held at 7 p.m., in the upper level of the Lowell Township Hall.

SAT., MAY 2: Lowell Masonic Temple will be hosting an all-you-can-eat fish fry from 5-7 p.m. at 119 Lincoln Lake. Adults \$6.50; children 6-10 \$4; under 6 free. Public welcome.

SAT., MAY 9: The Knights of Columbus "Second Best Sale" from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at St. Mary's School Hall, 402 Amity St., Lowell. Lunch and refreshments available. Anyone wishing to donate items please call 897-7492.

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

ALTO LIBRARY HOURS: Open Tues. 12 to 8 p.m.; Wed. 12:30 - 5:30 p.m.; Thurs. 12 to 8 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m. to 1 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.

WED., APRIL 29: "A History of Retailing on Lowell's Main Street" will be the subject of a panel discussion at the meeting of the Lowell Area Historical Association. Several long-time Lowell residents who owned and/or operated businesses on Main Street will discuss how the mix of commerce, customers and merchandising took place in a small town. Several artifacts from the LAHA will be displayed. Refreshments will be served following the program which will be held at 7 p.m., in the upper level of the Lowell Township Hall.

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PART-TIME DRIVER - Mondays & Tuesdays, 20 ft. straight truck, deliveries in West Michigan & Detroit. Must be dependable. Ritchie Warehousing, 977-0132 or send resume to Box 231, Lowell, MI 49331.

RN/LPN - Metron of Belding has the following job openings. Management Nurse position for RN. Charge Nurse positions available for RN/LPN. 1st. and 2nd shift, full & part-time. Competitive wages & excellent benefit package. Aggressive 128 bed facility providing post-acute medical & behavioral care. Call (616) 794-0460. Metron of Belding, 414 East State Street, Belding, MI 48809. M/F EOE.

HELP WANTED FOR DIETARY DEPARTMENT - at Laurels of Kent. Full-time day shift (with benefits) or part-time night shift. Includes weekends & holidays with in-house training. Apply 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Laurels of Kent, 350 N. Center St., Lowell, MI 49331. 897-8473.

HELP WANTED - Part-time waitress, experience helpful. Apply Backwater Cafe, 109 Riverside Dr., Lowell.

PRESS OPERATORS, PRESS HELPERS - wanted for local growing automotive supplier. Your mechanical ability, experience and leadership may qualify you for benefits, vacation and our employer contribution 401 (k) plan. If you are ready to join a progressive manufacturing team, apply at: Concept Industries, Inc., 4950 Kraft SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49512.

1991 PRO CRAFT BASS BOAT - 19'2" Pro 200, 200 horse Mariner, 42 ft. lb. trolling motor, Eagle fishfinder, \$6,300 or best offer. 897-4129.

'95 JIMMY - 4 WD, teal, 4.3 L V6, PW, PL, tilt, cruise, air, AM/FM stereo cassette, power seat, keyless entry, limited slip rear axle, 3.73 ratio, 69,000 miles, \$17,500. 897-7380 after 3 p.m.

1996 DODGE INTREPID ES - teal w/grey, 54,000 miles, \$11,600. Call 897-6126 after 5 p.m.

BLIMPIE OF ADA & CASCADE - Now hiring for day shift, 11-3 p.m. both locations. Additional hours available. Apply in person at 6759 Cascade Rd. at 28th Street or 7277 Thornapple River Dr. in Ada.

HILBRANDS LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT, INC. - Ada seeks individuals for seasonal employment on mowing & landscaping crews. Experience preferred, positive attitude necessary. Competitive wages. 942-9591.

GOLF COURSE WORK - full or part-time available. The Golf Club at Thornapple Pointe, 554-1489 or 554-4747.

NURSE AIDE CLASSES - Metron of Belding is accepting applications for a Nurse Aide class. Must be enthusiastic, motivated & enjoy working with seniors. Metron offers good pay & benefits. Class begins soon, so apply now. Apply in person at Metron of Belding, 414 E. State Street, Belding, MI 48809, M/F EOE.

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MOBILE HOME FOR SALE - 1989 Schultz, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, price reduced, 897-5843.

HEATMOR OUTDOOR WOOD FURNACES - stainless steel construction, 10 year warranty. Safely heats home, water, pools. Call Woodheat, 616-868-0640.

1995 CAMRY LE - loaded, 35,000+ miles, \$13,800 or best offer. 897-0932, ask for Tate.

1995 PONTIAC GRAND PRIX SE - 4 door, all power options, new tires, 62,000 hwy. miles, company maintained. \$9,500. Call 363-5986.

FOR SALE - Riding mower with bagger. Wards. Ready to go. \$600. Call 897-2540.

TRAMPOLINE FOR SALE - round, excellent condition. Asking \$150 obo. Call 897-5448.

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1994 MAZDA 626 LX - new tires & battery, no accidents, air, power, non-smoking owner, ABS, excellent condition. 46,200 miles. \$11,800. Call to see 243-6213.

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE SCHOOL LUNCH MENU IN THIS ISSUE!

FOR RENT

STORAGE UNITS - 5 x 5 to 20 x 40, heated units available, household goods, boats, cars...you name it! Rates from \$15 per month. LANDMAN STORAGE CO. 897-8451.

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

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RIDE NEEDED - from downtown Lowell to 28th St./Patterson area. 1st shift. Will help w/gas. Please call 897-1160.

LOST
LOST - Collie dog, looks like Lassie, area of Pratt Lake Ave. & 36th St. Call Joyce Smith, 897-8846.

MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE - Fri., April 24 & Sat., April 25, 9-5 p.m. 3376 Segwun (North off Cascade)

GARAGE SALE - April 25th, 8:00 a.m.-6 p.m. Clothes, adult & childrens, toys, trampoline, furniture & more. 6561 Buttrick, Alto.

ESTATE SALE - Furniture, paintings, wall hangings, household items, baskets & crafts. Sat., April 25, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. & Sun., April 26, 1 p.m. - 6 p.m. & Mon., April 27, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. & Sat., May 2, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Sun., May 3, 1 p.m. - 6 p.m. 1465 Sibley, Lowell.

IT'S YARD SALE TIME! - 5 family yard sale. Where: 909 Bowes Rd. When: Sat., April 25, 10 a.m.-? Crafts, furniture, clothes (various sizes) & much, much more!

MOVING SALE - 2435 Gee Drive, 9-? Friday, April 24. Lots of everything. Clean items!

MEET QUALITY CHRISTIAN SINGLES! - Christian dating club, 6,000 current members. Free singles package, 1-800-437-1926.

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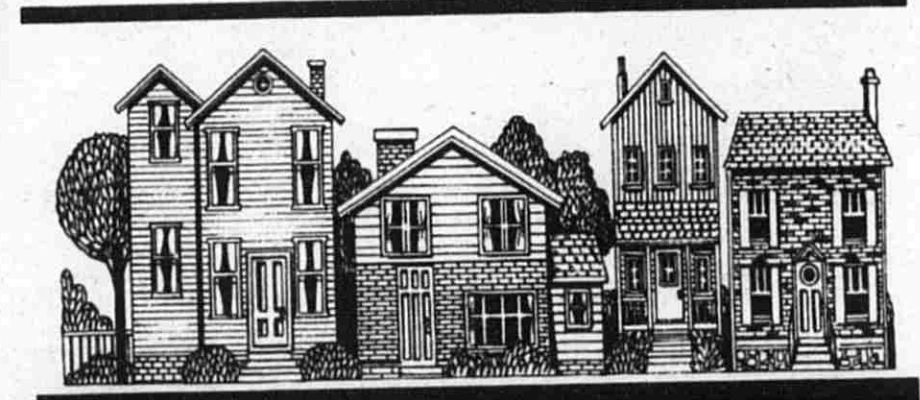
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Roth Bags 1st Turkey

If there can be Christmas in July, why not Thanksgiving in April? Lowell's Jason Roth, 15, bagged his first turkey southeast of Lowell on Monday. Roth dropped the fowl with a 20 gauge. The 16-pound turkey had a seven-inch beard. Roth's uncle, Scott Roth, did the calling.

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PICTURES: Pictures will be kept on file at The Ledger office for two months after it's been published. They will then be discarded.

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Mail information to The Lowell Ledger,
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49331 or drop it off at The Ledger office.

All items **MUST** be brought in **NO LATER THAN 5 p.m. ON THE MONDAY** before that week's issue.



Johnson Wins Quality Tax Service Raffle

Brandon Johnson's tax return could include a cruise to the islands of Playa Del Carmen, Grand Cayman and Cozumel or \$1,800 cash. He chose the money. Johnson was the winner of Quality Tax Service's cruise giveaway. Customers who had their taxes prepared by Quality Tax Services were eligible. The drawing took place on April 15 at 4:30 p.m. Pictured, from left to right, are Johnson's girlfriend Renee Reed, Johnson, and Quality Tax Service's Donna Siciliano.

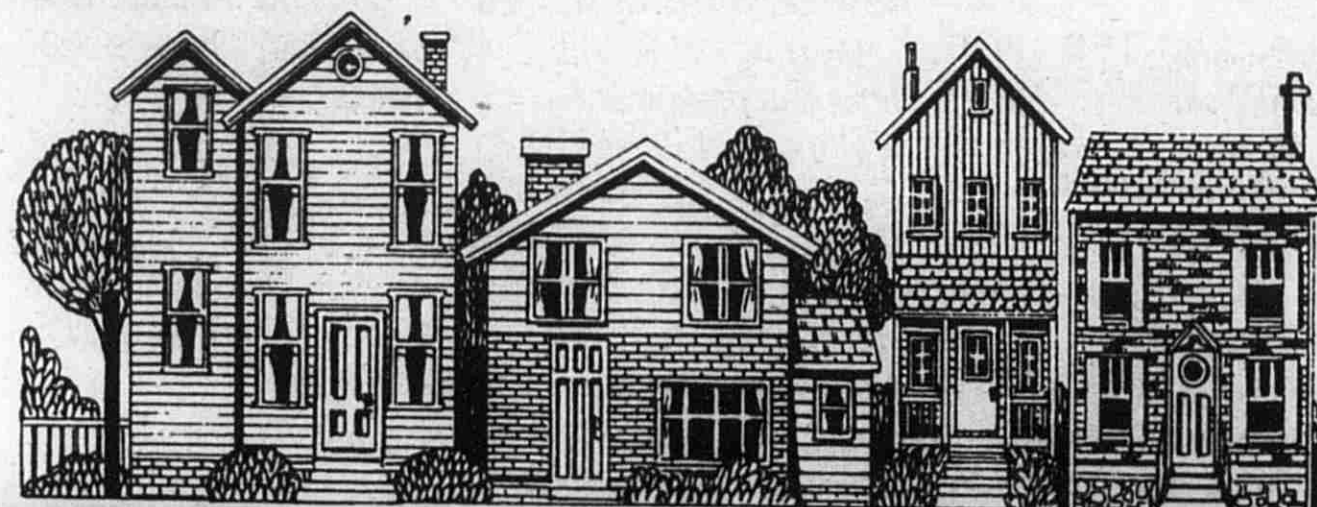
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done before stop signs will be put in," he reports, "and adding traffic signals could raise taxes when we are striving to keep them low."

The board agreed to intercede for Eastgate residents by speaking with the sheriff's department regarding more

stringent monitoring of traffic violators.

"We don't have all the answers yet," says Timpson. "We're exploring here."



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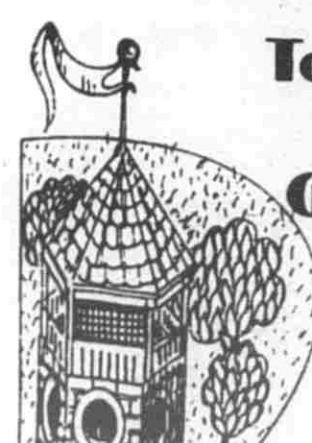
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