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Settlement reached in West Main sidewalk issue

By J. N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer

To continue the project along W. Main, it will cost the city about \$6,270.

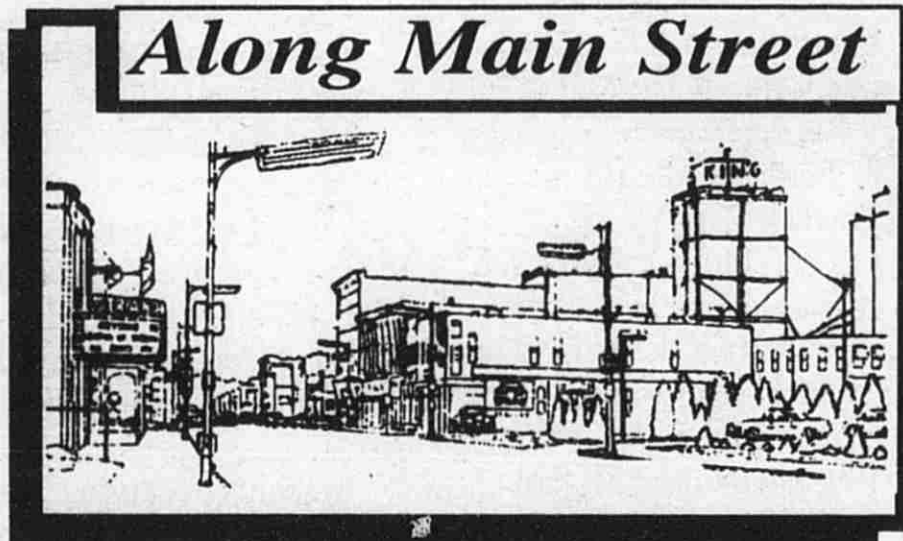
That was the good news, according to mayor Bill Thompson,

who said it could have cost the city nearly \$32,000.

A few weeks ago, the city learned that the Michigan Department of Transportation had not issued the per-

We do know that it wasn't the city's fault as (Pasquale) did sign it. As to where it went from there, no one really knows.

Bill Thompson
Lowell Mayor



Along Main Street

CLEANUP AT SHOWBOAT PARK FOR TEEN DANCES

A general cleanup will take place on Friday, June 19 at 1 p.m. at Showboat Park to get ready for the teen dances to be held there for the next six Monday evenings - June 22 & 29 and July 6, 13, 20 and 27.

All area teens are invited to come and help. Any questions call Rev. Gordon Barry, 897-5936, office: 897-8267, home.

YMCA PRE-K - 2ND-GRADE BASKETBALL CAMP

The Lowell YMCA pre-K thru second-grade basketball camp at the Lowell Middle School will begin on Monday, June 22.

Please call 897-8445 and sign up today.

HISTORICAL TREASURES REVEALED

Historical Treasures Revealed is the title of the Lowell Area Historical Association's program to be held June 24 at 7 p.m. at the Lowell Township Hall.

For this program, members and the public are invited to bring in historical artifacts, photographs or other memorabilia that they would like to show and tell about or that they would like help in identifying. Refreshments will be served following the program.

BIMINI BROTHERS BAND PLAYS FALLSBURG

The LHS class of 1978 invites their classmates, brothers, and sisters, friends and fans of the Bimini Brothers Band to join our class party at Fallsburg Park Pavilion on Friday evening, July 24, from 5 to 10 p.m.

Reservations and a \$10 contribution per person are required. Please send your reservations to Tom Smith at 2255 Boston St. S.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49506.

SHOWBOAT CITY HOOPS TOURNAMENT

The Lowell YMCA is securing volunteers for the 11th Annual Showboat City Hoops Tournament that will take place on the weekend of June 26 & 27. They need as many volunteers as they can get for various duties.

Please call the YMCA office at 897-8445, if you would be willing to volunteer your services for a couple of hours on either Friday or Saturday.

LHS CLASS OF '88 REUNION

The Class of '88 10-year reunion is being planned for Saturday, Sept. 12. They still need some help finding lost classmates. Any questions, call Tom and Kathy (616) 693-2817.

BLUE RIBBON STREET MARKET

Wanted: flea marketers, crafters, farm marketers or people who just want to turn their junk into someone else's treasure. The Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the Blue Ribbon Street Market on August 13 and 14 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. A 16'x8' spot is \$30 for two days.

Application forms for registration are available at Lowell Bed & Linen Shop, Springrove Variety, Rupert's Drop, Victorian Thymes or by calling the LACC at 897-9161. Stop by Rupert's Drop, 214 E. Main St., to register and pick your spot.

mit for it to construct sidewalks along W. Main. And, in fact, MDOT had a number of concerns about the project and a few changes to portions that had already been completed.

After a couple of meetings between Thompson and city manager David Pasquale with the engineering firm in charge of the project, McNamee, Porter, and Seeley, Inc. the contractor, McCreary Concrete, Inc. and MDOT, Thompson said he felt the city had come to an agreement that everyone could live with.

"Everybody took responsibility," Thompson said. "There was no fighting or arguing."

Two major areas were focused on. The first was an

improper elevation of the sidewalk on the west side of the driveway by 2251 W. Main. The contractor agreed to remove the sidewalk at his own expense with the sidewalk being moved back and lowered to align with the walk to the east to provide a safer travelway, Pasquale said. The cost to reinstall the sidewalk is \$1,440, minus the cost savings of lowering the driveway, \$900, left a total bill of \$540. The city and the contractor agreed to split the bill with each paying \$270, Pasquale said.

Also the city would be taking down four pines and an elm tree, which is dying, to allow for the sidewalk to have a straighter path, he said.

The other point of contention was 500 feet of curb

and gutter west of Valley Vista Drive on the north and south side, which is required for proper drainage. Through negotiation with the engineer and MDOT, the city has agreed to cover the cost of \$6,000, which would be allocated from the Major Street Fund. Pasquale said this would not affect any planned street projects.

"So basically for \$6,000 we ended up with a much nicer project with curb and gutter," Thompson said.

While approving these two projects, the council also decided to extend the project another 170 feet, at a cost of \$3,000 across the Greenridge Realty property. Pasquale said this portion of the property was left out because at

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Lowell's eighth-grade writing scores nothing short of excellent

••• Low science scores in line with county and state averages.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Writing skills of Lowell fifth-grade students continued to be among the very best in Kent County while eighth-grade results were the very best.

Of those eighth-grade students taking the MEAP writing test, 96.8 percent were proficient.

Lowell fifth-grade students were sixth best (86.6 percent were proficient) in writing among public schools in Kent County.

The same type of success, however, was not achieved in science by Lowell students, other students in the county, or even around the state.

Of Lowell fifth-graders, 58 percent were proficient on the science test. That is up from 37.1 percent last year. It was ninth best in Kent County.

Jim White, Lowell's director of curriculum and instruction, warns against reading too much into the significant jump.

"Such a spike in scores from one year to

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Township salaries labeled outdated

••• Lowell Charter Township salaries increased by five percent.

By Amy Briggs
Contributing Writer

Pay raise? Did someone say pay raise??

Yes, someone did. The Lowell Charter Township Board of Trustees proposed a wage increase for the positions of township supervisor, clerk, treasurer, and secretary at their June 1 special meeting. The proposal passed at

the township's regular board meeting June 15.

Salaries will increase by five percent retroactively from June 1, and an insurance increase for these positions was implemented May 18. In addition, a firm policy on sick pay and vacation days was also approved for full-time employees.

"The current salaries we were paying were outdated," reported Alyn Fletcher, a township trustee. "It has been several years since the numbers were updated."

The positions affected are all elected titles with the ex-

ception of secretary, Fletcher explained. He also noted that newcomers to these positions

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M-21 Milling Delayed

••• Asphalt mix formula does not meet state specs

By J. N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer

Well, everyone has seen the big equipment associated with road repair work. Now the question is when exactly is the repaving of M-21 going to take place?

Soon, according to city manager David Pasquale.

Councilor Chuck Myers brought up the issue, which Pasquale planned to report on at the regular Lowell City Council meeting Monday night, about residents concerned with the noise level due to trucks driving over potholes.

"The delay has come in that (the Michigan Department of Transportation) has a new asphalt mix formula requirement and the contractor has not met the specs for that," Pasquale said.

The new requirement has not only affected the M-21 project but many road construction projects throughout the state including the Chicago Drive project in Wyoming.

Pasquale said the contractor is expecting to get approval from MDOT this week and will begin milling the road this week. Once the road is milled, the asphalt work can be done.

"Once you mill M-21, you really need to repave it right away," he said. "The road (after milling) would be really rough."

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OBITUARIES

GAISER - Louise M. Gaiser, aged 102 of Saranac, passed away June 10, 1998, in Lowell. She was born September 22, 1895 in Jefferson, Wisconsin, the daughter of Fred and Lena Walthers Keson. She married Frank Gaiser in May of 1924. He preceded her in death in 1956. She was a member of the Eastern Star of Lake Odessa. She is survived by her sons Robert and Lavada Gaiser of Stevensville; daughter Kathryn and Joseph Thompson of Saranac; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two brothers. Funeral services were held Friday at the Lake Funeral Home in Saranac. Interment Lakeside Cemetery in Lake Odessa.

JON STEMKOSKI'S CELEBRANT SINGERS

A fresh, dynamic Christian singing group from California, featuring ten singers with a twelve-piece orchestra, will minister through song, prayer and personal testimony on: **Saturday, June 20 for Mass at 5:30 p.m. and concert from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary Church, 402 Amity, Lowell.** Mr. Stemkoski (or one of his associates) will bring a special message. *All seats are free, and all are encouraged to attend this inspiring service.*

COLLEGE NEWS

O'CLAIRE - Joan H. O'Claire, aged 85, of Lowell, passed away June 13, 1998. She was preceded in death by her husband, Leo and son Joseph O'Claire. Mrs. O'Claire is survived by her daughter, Patricia Sachen (David Toombs) of Lowell; grandchildren, Stacy and Zachary Sachen; brother William Korby of MN. Service will be held in Minnesota. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Esko, MN. Arrangements by Roth-Gerst, Lowell.

Gena T. Buhler, 17, of Belding, has graduated from Interlochen Arts Academy, this country's leading high school for fine arts and academics.

Buhler, the daughter of Keith and Jan Buhler, majored in dance during the past year at the Academy. This year's 1998 graduating class numbers 197 seniors and 18 post-graduates. Of the graduating seniors, 35 received scholastic honors for their cumulative grade point average of 3.74 or higher at Interlochen and their former high school. The Academy's total enrollment is 459 students from 49 states and 22 other countries.

The Academy is an independent, co-educational boarding school for grades nine through 12, plus an optional post-graduate year. It offers both intensive academic programs and pre-professional fine arts training. Students may major in creative writing, dance, theatre arts, music, visual art or academics. Graduates go on to study at the country's leading universities, conservatories and colleges, with 90 percent accepted at the college of their first choice.

Interlochen Arts Academy is awarding scholastic honors to nearly 1,400 students for the recently completed spring 1998 semester. Brett William Plattner, of Lowell, was among the names of the students receiving semester honors that were announced by the deans of K-State's colleges, who also have announced the names of 186 students who earned spring 1998 graduation honors.

Students receiving semester honors rank in the top 10 percent of their class within their respective colleges and have completed 12 or more hours of graded course work in the semester. The students receive commendation from their deans, and the honors are recorded on their permanent academic records.

David VanderMeulen, of Ada, received a perfect 4.00 (all A's) spring quarter from Michigan Technological University in Houghton, Michigan.

The faculty and staff of MTU recognize that this achievement comes through diligent study, extra effort, and organizational skill on the part of the student.

Albion College student Melissa K. Peterson was recently named one of 12 recipients of the President Bernard T. Lomas Project 250 Award.

The President Bernard T. Lomas Project 250 Award scholarships are given to Albion College students who have made significant contributions to the campus community, and who are classified as freshmen, sophomores, or juniors at the time each is a candidate.

Peterson was further honored with a Peggy Couch Memorial Prize in Women's Studies and was also named to the dean's list for the spring 1998 semester. Students named to the dean's list must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above at the completion of the semester with the completion of four units, three of which must be in graded courses.

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schools of engineering, business, and arts and sciences. The university, located in Angola, IN, has branch campuses in Fort Wayne, IN, and South Bend, IN.

Jeremiah Berends, of Lowell, a graduate of Lowell High School, was recently named to the honor roll at ITT Technical Institute in Grand Rapids.

In order to be named to the honor roll, a student must maintain a 3.5 grade point average or better. Berends plans to graduate with an associate's degree in electronics engineering technology.

Kansas State University is awarding scholastic honors to nearly 1,400 students for the recently completed spring 1998 semester.

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Fields at city parks provide youths less than ideal playing conditions

Fields have steadily gotten worse over the last five years and they are real close to being ruined - especially the soccer fields.

Andy Johnson
Lowell YMCA executive director

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell city manager Dave Pasquale is glad the city parks are being used so much.

There is a price, however, that has come with that heavy use.

The condition of the baseball/softball diamonds and soccer fields is on a decline... a deterioration parents and coaches have begun to vocalize their displeasure about.

Lowell YMCA executive

director Andy Johnson reports the fields have steadily gotten worse over the last five years and they are real close to being ruined.

"There is no sprinkling or irrigation at the fields," Johnson explains.

Lowell's Public Works director Dan DesJarden says a sprinkling system would help, but it won't solve the problem. "There are just too many people using the fields," he says.

DesJarden and Pasquale do point out that the fields are receiving maintenance. They are mowed once a week and are being serviced by Tru Green Lawn Care. They are also aerated twice a year.

Creekside Park, which is the largest and most used, presents the most amount of work.

While everyone agrees there are more kids in the various programs, there are some

There is no sincerer love than the love of food.
—George Bernard Shaw

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Connie and Tony Stencel, owners of Lowell Family Hairstyling, will retire the business as of June 17, 1998. The building has been sold but the long tradition of styling hair will continue. The staff, Shirley Kammers, Trisha Propst, Peg

Theodore and Connie Stencel will relocate at Riverbend East Hairstyling Salon, 203 E. Main, in downtown Lowell, owned by Carol McGregor. The Stencel's purchased Myers Family Hairstyling in 1986 from Doris Myers, renaming the business Lowell Family Hairstyling. The building is well over one hundred years old. It was originally owned by a Doctor Green. Through the years, it went from a residential home

to an appliance store. After sitting empty for several years, it became a unique hairstyling salon in the late 1960s. Clients have been coming for hairstyles for 30 years. Grandchildren of the original clients come with their parents... a long tradition, a family tradition. An offer for the building was presented and accepted. The decision not to relocate **Business Matters, cont'd, pg. 4**

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This Is What Makes Our Community Great!

Reflections

Of Faith

By Robert Holmes, Pastor
Christian Life Center
Assembly of God

WHAT REAL MEN DO?

Real men. How many real men does it take to change a light bulb? None, because real men aren't afraid of the dark. That's what Bruce Feirstein said in his book made popular in the early eighties, *Real Men Don't Eat Quiche*. When he divided men into two categories, real men and quiche eaters, he distinguished between the two this way: "Real men love John Wayne, chain saws, beer and Monday night football. Real men don't worry about the diminishing ozone layer. Real men don't buy flight insurance. Real men don't floss. Real men bullfight. Real men don't play Frisbee. Real men play monopoly with real money. Real men enter tractor pulling contests and they are the ones who are pulling the tractors."

The Bible has a lot to say about real men, real men of God. In *1 Timothy 6:6-12*, Paul tells us what a real man of God does.

First, a real man of God flees the act of sin. In verse 11 Paul advises Timothy, "But you man of God, flee from all this..." What was this Paul was speaking about? If you begin reading in verse six, Paul describes the things that the real man is to flee.

Sometimes fleeing or running away is seen as a sign of cowardice, but other times it is a sign of sound decision

making and courage. At 17, Joseph found himself sold into slavery by his envious brothers, in a new culture, and in Potiphar's house. He was doing his best to serve God. After his master's wife made a sexual advance toward him, the Bible says that he immediately decided "No way," and ran the other way as fast as he could - a sign of courage. Real men flee the act of sin.

A real man of God flees not only the act of sin but also the attitude of sin. In his advice to Timothy, Paul spoke specifically to the attitude that says, "Gain is godliness," or the attitude of greed, always wanting more. This attitude is evidenced by the love of money that causes great heartache and wreaks havoc in people's lives. It is an attitude that incorrectly assumes, "If I am a godly person, I'll be a wealthy person. And if I can just get more, I'll be happy." Greed. It's not just the act of sin but the attitude of sin that Paul says to "Flee. Leave it!"

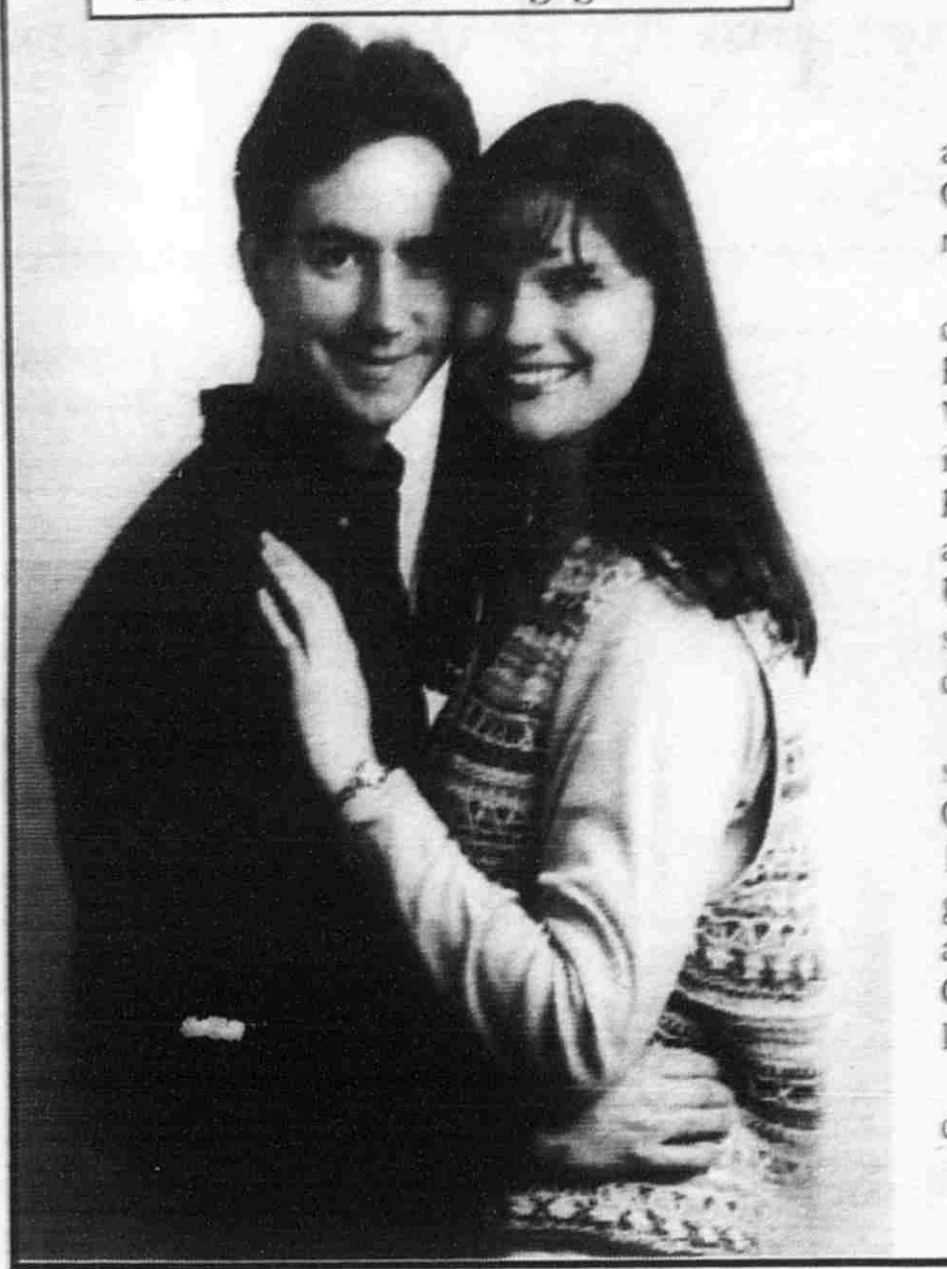
How do we do that? By having a renewed mind. That's why Peter, in *1 Peter 1:13*, directed us to "...prepare your minds for action..." Then in verse 16, he reminded, "for it is written, 'Be holy, because I am holy.'" How can we be holy? By renewing our minds, by thinking upon things that are true, honest, just, lovely, of good report, praiseworthy, and virtuous. (Philippians 4:8) The man of God flees both the act and the attitude of sin.

Second, the man of God follows. In *1 Timothy 6:11*, the work used in the New International Version is "pursue." Paul said, "Flee these things but then pursue or follow after." What are we to pursue? Righteousness. That is simply personal integrity. Righteousness is our inner character becoming like Christ as we open our hearts to Him. "Not only that," he continued, "you will pursue or follow godliness." While righteousness is what is happening on the inside, godliness is the character or the conduct manifested on the outside. It is turning the other cheek. It is walking the second mile. It is going the little extra. It is living like God in human flesh. That is godliness.

Pursue godliness and pursue faithfulness, faithfulness to God, to your spouse, to your children. Pursue love, sacrificial love. That's the love that responds rather than reacts. That's the love that doesn't fight back. That's the love that gives up for others. The real man of God will love his spouse, will love his children and though he may be rejected, he will keep loving. Paul also said we are to pursue endurance or patience. That means sticking it out when the going gets tough. That means hanging in there under pressure. It's the kind of endurance that Paul defined in *II Corinthians 4:8-9*.

When I love Jesus, I'm going to pursue Him. I'm going to pursue so I can be like Him. Righteousness, godliness, faithfulness, love, endurance and gentleness. Those are the qualities of my Savior, Jesus Christ. When I pursue them, then indeed I will be a man of God - a REAL MAN!

Feusse-Christman/Engagement



Michelle Lynn Feusse and Daniel Walker Christman are pleased to announce their engagement.

The future bride is the daughter of David Feusse of Blanchard, MI and Lee Watterworth of Lowell. She is a 1993 graduate of Lowell High School and will graduate from Central Michigan University in August with a special education teaching degree.

The future groom is the son of Chris and Marty Christman of Lowell. He is a 1987 Lowell High School graduate and received an associate's degree from Grand Rapids Junior College in 1991.

A July 18, 1998 wedding is planned.

Viewpoint . . .



By Priscilla Lussmyer

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

125 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL WEEKLY - JUNE 18, 1873

Lowell Union Schools will close June 27 for the summer. The last of the log drive on Flat River should pass by here soon.

Common Council rooms have been fitted with new carpet, handsome writing desk, chandelier and table to replace the burned-out quarters.

Subscribers must pay five cents every three months for postage on county papers, starting July 1. Pay at the office of delivery. The editor calls this law shameful.

Heavy rains in Texas destroyed many crops in the "severest storms ever known."

100 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JUNE 16, 1898

Elderly James Hart is choked and robbed when two men stop his horse and pull him from the buggy.

Trains will run to the "great pyrotechnic display of the Battle of Manila" at Grand Rapids Athletic Park next Tuesday. The editor declares that the daily papers are a record of lies about the war, that the weeklies sift out the truth.

Hail the size of walnuts destroyed many crops in Alton Friday. Other places report heavy rain washing out corn.

The Clarksville Record reports the local man who takes it easy around town every day, but his wife walks home on a rare (for her) trip.

75 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL LEDGER AND ALTO SOLO - JUNE 14, 1923

Congressman Carl Mapes recommends Norman E. Borgerson for Lowell postmaster.

More than 500 Kent County eighth-graders will receive their diplomas at Ramona Park tomorrow.

America's armed forces have worked quietly and efficiently to make our coasts impregnable to air attack.

Pere Marquette publishes a large ad about how to avoid an accident on the tracks.

Alto will have free movies every Thursday night, starting next week.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JUNE 17, 1948

A new auditorium is needed. 1,000 crowded into the high school gym for graduation, but 300 more had to be turned away.

King Milling is awarding a 25-lb. bag of flour weekly and cash prizes at the end of the year for the best recipes using flour.

Carroll Burch and Janet Thorne will manage the summer recreation program for eight weeks at Recreation Park.

A brand new 30x85 showboat is being built, supervised by engineer Elmer Schaefer. Lafayette Street will be closed at Main for construction.

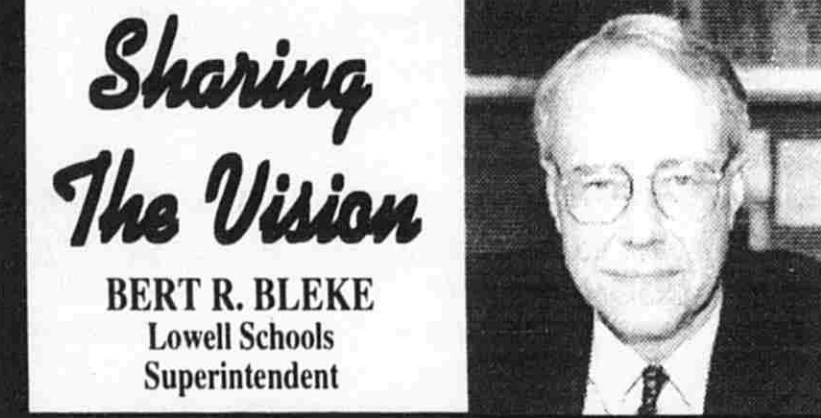
25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER-SUBURBAN LIFE - JUNE 14, 1973

441 Lowell voters turn down a county community college, increased millage, and a special Education for the Handicapped bonding.

The new Shell station at Main and Hudson is almost complete.

Panfish thinning and carp removal in Michigan lakes is halted for a time because of problems with disposal of the dead fish.

The Avery family's new book, "Slow Me Down, Lord" is released at the Avery Studios in Au Train.



Sharing The Vision
BERT R. BLEKE
Lowell Schools Superintendent

When I was a child, my mother was a real stickler for her kids writing thank you notes for Christmas and birthday gifts received. Promptness and thoroughness were important to mother. No notes meant no food. Thank you notes were serious business in the Bleke household.

Thus, my current dilemma. How do I thank the many thousands of individuals who have made the recently completed school year so productive for the Lowell Area Schools?

Perhaps I should start with our students who throughout the year were cooperative and committed to learning. In today's society we hear so many negative things about youngsters. The one common theme that I heard from our staff in all of our schools was how blessed we were to have so many great and caring kids. And how about our parents who are committed not only to their own youngsters but to the success of all kids in our school system? You worked with your children to assure their success, but also spent countless hours as volunteers in our schools to assure enhanced learning opportunities for all students.

To the staff at our schools - the teachers, the bus drivers, our secretarial and custodial staffs, our paraprof, food service staff, and administrators - a hearty thank you. The community owes you a great deal. You take your job seriously, you care about providing quality service to our children, our parents, and our community. The Lowell Schools and its staff members work hard daily to provide the optimum learning experience for all of our children.

Even after mentioning all of the above groups and people, I am afraid mother still would not be happy. I sure can't forget the wonderful support that we receive from our athletic, academic and music boosters, as well as our business community and the community-at-large who continually support our schools. The Lowell police and volunteer fire department have also supported us in the critical areas of security and safety for our children.

Last, but certainly not least, I need to thank our dedicated and knowledgeable Board of Education who truly care about youngsters and place them at the center of all of their decisions.

Well, I hope that ma is happy that my thank yous have been done promptly and with thoroughness. If I have missed anyone or any group, my sincere apologies. I look forward to working with each and every person and group again next year. I hope that this year has been enjoyable and profitable for you. My best wishes for a fun and relaxing summer. See you in a couple of weeks.

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

Kent District Library to spin spider tales for children

It's a party and you're invited as Kent District Library staff spin spider tales. Charlotte will be our host as guests make a spidercraft and enjoy arachnid activities. Those activities may include

the Tarantula treasure hunt, a film about Anansi the spider and much more.

The Charlotte's Web Party will be at the Alto Branch on Tuesday, June 23, at 2:00 p.m. and at the

Englehardt Branch Library on Thursday, June 25, at 1:30 p.m. To register call the Kent District Library at 336-3250 or the Alto Branch at 868-6038 or the Englehardt Library at 897-9596.

Business Matters, cont'd.... From Page 3

the business was a difficult one to make. Connie Stencil is pleased with the arrangements with Carol McGregor and hopes all of the Lowell Family Hairstyling clients will feel at home in her new salon Riverbend East, next door to Gary's Meat Market. Parking and a second entrance are located at the back of the salon.

starting June 18. The joining of staffs will make Riverbend East the largest and most experienced salon in the area. With eight cosmetologists, two manicurists and two nail

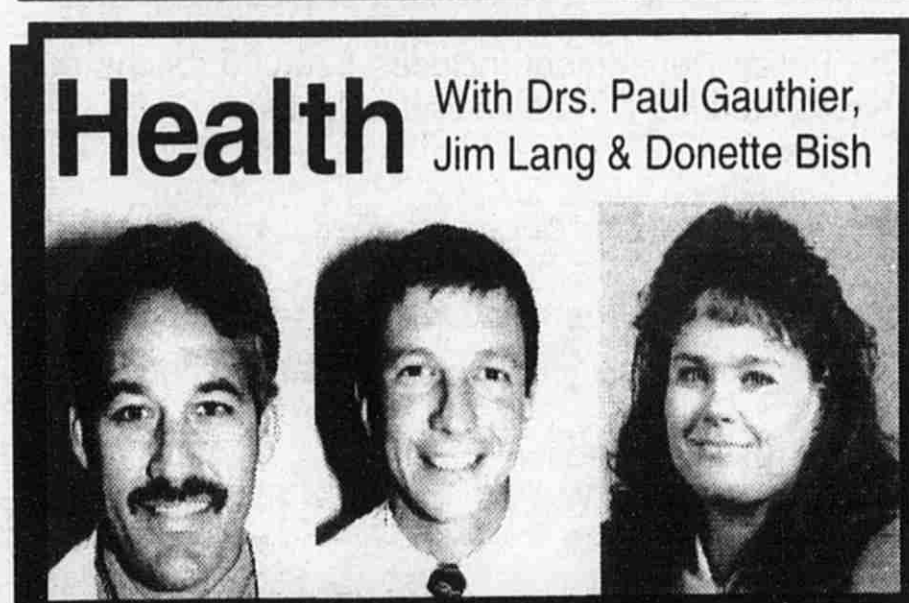
technicians, a pedicure, facial and massage room is now under construction.

The number to call for an appointment is 897-7442 Riverbend East Salon.

AREA BIRTHS

Michael and Merlene Baker of Olive Branch, Mississippi, are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Jamie Morell Baker. She was born May 25, 1998, weighing 8 lbs. 9 oz. and measuring 19 inches.

Grandparents are Clark and Greta Parsons of Lowell, James Baker of Conway, Arkansas, and the late Lucy Baker.



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

MOTION SICKNESS

With summer upon us, many people are actively boating, taking trips in cars, and enjoying the thrill of amusement parks. With any of these activities, the motion may induce nausea, dizziness, lightheadedness, etc. As a person moves about in a

fashion they are not accustomed to, nerve signals from the eyes, inner ears, joints, and muscles provide constant feedback to maintain spatial orientation. When those messages contradict each other, the result can be the cold sweats, pallor, nausea, and vomiting of motion sickness.

To keep from getting car sick, a passenger should sit in the front seat and focus on the horizon. On a boat, he should stay out of the cabin, walk around the deck, and if nausea develops, focus on the horizon.

Over the counter antihistamines (Dramamine) block messages from the inner ear and work for many people. Others swear by acupressure bracelets that press on the inside of the wrist. Ginger in candies, teas, or capsules can settle an upset stomach.

If these measures do not do the trick, a prescription patch called Transderm Scop is available. It is worn behind the ear and works for up to 72 hours. Soon, a new form of this product will be available which can be taken nasally.

AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

<p>ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH 7227 Thornapple River Dr. 675-1092 Pastor: THOMAS J. BARTHA Morning Worship: 9:30 A.M. Sunday School: 11:00 A.M. Evening Worship: 6:00 P.M. We invite you to make this community church your church home. WELCOME TO ALL.</p>		<p>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. 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>
<p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LOWELL 621 E. Main Street • 897-5936 Worship: 8:30 A.M. Fellowship Time: 9:30 A.M. Worship: 10:00 A.M. REV. B. GORDON BARRY Nursery & child care available at both services Barrier - Free Entrance</p>	<p>EMMAUS LUTHERAN E.L.C.A. Meeting At: Pine Ridge Elementary School 3250 Redford S.E. Bill Brandner - Pastor 897-1584 WORSHIP: Sunday 10:45 A.M. Thursday Evenings Summer Service 7 P.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 A.M. Church office 956-6695</p>	<p>CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER (Assembly of God) 3050 Alden Nash S.E. • 897-1100 Nursery for Every Service Robert W. Holmes, Pastor SUNDAYS: Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m. Sunday Night Alive: 6:00 p.m. WEDNESDAYS: Family Night: (for All Ages) 7-8 p.m. Your invitation to a "Church on the Grow"</p>	
<p>EVERGREEN MISSIONARY CHURCH 10501 Sutherland • Ph. 897-7195 Sunday School: 9:45 A.M. Morning Worship: 11 A.M. Evening Service: 6:00 P.M. Prayer and Praise - Wed. 7:30 P.M. GLENN H. MARKS - Senior Pastor, 897-9110 STAN GERIG - Associate Pastor, 897-5894 ALL ARE WELCOME! (Barrier-Free)</p>			
<p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL 2275 West Main Street Sun. Worship Service: 9:30 A.M. & 5:00 P.M. Sunday School Hour: 11:00 A.M. AWANA: JV 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 Loose Weeks.....Interim Christian Ed Director Meghan Culver.....Music Director Barrier-Free.....Nursery Provided</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>

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Capitol Commentary

By: Dick Posthumus

SUPER-MAJORITY REQUIREMENT WILL HELP LAWMAKERS SAY "NO" TO RAISING TAXES

For some liberal Democratic lawmakers, trying to raise taxes at some point in the future will be an enchanting temptress whose siren call will be impossible to resist. Michigan's economy is strong because of bold initiatives taken by the Michigan Legislature and Gov. John Engler, turning our state into the envy of the nation. These actions centered around 24 tax cuts which put more than \$8 billion back into taxpayers pockets since 1991. But, as we get ready to step into a new century, Michigan's economy is more and more sensitive to the ups and downs of worldwide happenings. Right now, the economic troubles in

Asia could be troublesome for many of our state businesses dependent on selling manufactured goods in those countries. This could affect Michigan in two dramatic ways: first, a slowdown in economic activity and second, loud cries from the liberal political establishment to raise taxes for more governmental programs. To help future lawmakers combat the temptation to get back on the treadmill leading to higher and higher taxes, the Michigan Senate has passed a package of four bills to make it significantly more difficult to increase the state income tax, use tax and sales tax. Presently, taxes can be raised by a simple majority of the votes in the Senate and the House or one more than half.

Letters, Letters, Letters, Letters, Letters...

The Lowell Ledger welcomes all "Letters to the Editor" for publication on its "Viewpoint" page. Letters can be typed or written. However, we ask that they do not exceed one written page or one typed, double-spaced page. "Letters to the Editor" should be sent to the Lowell Ledger, 105 N. Broadway, P.O. Box 128, Lowell, MI 49331. Editing may be necessary for space, clarity and to avoid obscenity, libel or invasion of privacy. The Lowell Ledger thanks you in advance for your cooperation.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL

For the Regular Meeting of **MONDAY, JUNE 1, 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 Blough, Green, Myers, Shores and Mayor Thompson. Absent: None. Also Present: City Manager David Pasquale, Deputy City Clerk Betty Morlock, Chief of Police James Valentine, Director of Public Works Daniel DesJarden, City Treasurer Suzanne Olin, Water Treatment Plant Superintendent George Regan, Planning Commission Chairman Daniel Brubaker, Historic District Commission Chairman Steve Doyle and Airport Boardmember Roger Brown.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES that the minutes of the May 18, 1998 meeting be approved as submitted.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by MYERS that the bills and accounts payable be allowed and the warrants issued.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (06/01/98)

GENERAL FUND	\$71,911.08
MAJOR STREET FUND	547.39
LOCAL STREET FUND	17,366.79
DDA FUND	9,307.30
WASTEWATER FUND	3,966.39
WATER FUND	40,143.99
DATA PROCESSING FUN D	3,218.80
EQUIPMENT FUND	631.18
CURRENT TAX FUND	888.31
CARR FUND	400.00
IMPROVEMENT FUND	10.00

Item #1. NEWELL MANUFACTURING (615 CHATHAM) - APPLICATION FOR AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE - PUBLIC HEARING The City received an Industrial Exemption Certificate application from Newell Manufacturing Corporation (615 Chatham). Jack Caudill, Executive Vice President of Newell Manufacturing, stated the purchase of personal property improvements amounted to \$1,135,000. He also noted 120 current jobs would be retained, while creating six to ten additional jobs. City Manager David Pasquale explained, according to the City policy, since Newell invested more than one million dollars into its facilities, a twelve year exemption is provided. Caudill added this expansion was due to projects received from General Motors.

No public comments were received.

Councilmember Myers questioned the amount of monies saved over a twelve year period. Pasquale responded he would provide this information at the next meeting.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by GREEN to recommend approval of the application submitted by Newell Manufacturing Corporation (615 Chatham) for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate (P.A. 198) relating to the improvements of \$1,135,000 in personal property improvements for twelve years of abatement to the State Tax Commission.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #2. ADOPTION OF THE 1997-98 BUDGET AMENDMENTS. As required by State Law, the City Council must review and approve final adjustments to the City's operating funds. City Treasurer Suzanne Olin had prepared a list of affected funds. The following amendments to the 1997-1998 Budget are proposed:

REVENUES:	GENERAL FUND		
	CURRENT	AMENDED	AMT OF CHANGE
Property Tax Real	\$800,000.	\$811,400.	\$11,400.

Property Tax Personal	173,600.	176,000.	2,400.
C.O.P.S. Grant	\$28,000.	\$18,000.	(\$10,000)
Transfer from DDA	\$10,000.	0.	(\$10,000)

The police officer through the C.O.P.S. program (Sandra Lee) was not hired until October 1997 of the current year.

EXPENDITURES:	CURRENT	AMENDED	AMT OF CHANGE
Council Community Promotion	\$6,000.	\$10,500.	\$4,500.
Council Printing	200.	2,000.	1,800.
Conferences	3,500.	4,000.	500.

City Mgr. Comm. Promotions	11,500.	12,500.	1,000.
Attorney	15,000.	40,000.	25,000.

Treas. Personal Svcs	112,250.	117,575.	5,325.
City Hall Personal Svcs	5,600.	5,650.	50.

City Hall Supplies	3,000.	4,500.	1,500.
City Hall Rep & Maint.	3,900.	6,000.	2,100.

City Hall Capital Expend	7,000.	10,500.	3,500.
Engineer/Bldg Insp	5,000.	18,600.	13,600.

Police Temporary Salaries	12,000.	25,000.	13,000.
Fire Department Accident Ins.	1,800.	2,000.	200.

Fire Department Workers Comp.	1,500.	2,600.	1,100.
Fire Department Equipment	7,500.	12,500.	5,000.

Capital Exp. Sidewalk	500.	500.	
Parks Utilities	9,000.	12,000.	3,000.

Library Personal Svcs	10,900.	12,500.	1,600.
Utilities	10,000.	13,000.	3,000.

LAHA Contr. & Maint.	5,000.	6,700.	1,700.
LAHA Insurance	00	260.	260.

LAHA Utilities	00	1,400.	1,400.
Unallocated expense	69,500.	85,600.	16,100.

TOTAL REVENUES AS AMENDED:		\$1,827,770.	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AS AMENDED:		\$1,962,355.	

FUND BALANCE:			\$353,424.
(unrestricted)			

STREET FUNDS

LOCAL STREET FUND REVENUES:	CURRENT	AMENDED	AMT OF CHANGE
Federal Grant	\$60,000.	00	(\$60,000)

LOCAL STREET EXPENDITURES:	CURRENT	AMENDED	AMT OF CHANGE
Township contribution	40,000.	00	(40,000)
Transportation fund	56,400.	74,500.	18,100.
Proceeds loan			50,000.
Interest	2,500.	1,850.	(650).
Construction	191,000.	157,000.	(34,000)
Winter Maint. Personal Svcs.	21,500.	15,400.	(6,100)
Routine Maint. Contractual	12,350.	10,850.	(1,500)
Routine Maint. Communication	100.	75.	(25)

TOTAL REVENUES:		\$161,850.	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:		\$238,075.	

FUND BALANCE:			\$9,788.48
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A short term loan in the amount of \$50,000 from the General Fund to the Local Street Fund is required. Federal grant (\$60,000) and Township contribution (\$40,000) for the Bowes Road realignment project provided directly to the State.

MAJOR STREET EXPENDITURES:	CURRENT	AMENDED	AMT OF CHANGE
Construction	\$185,000.	\$108,500.	(\$76,500)
TOTAL REVENUES:	\$130,900.		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	\$217,760.		
FUND BALANCE:	\$128,523.		
D.D.A. FUND			

REVENUES:			
TIFA Revenue	\$262,300.	\$210,461.	(\$51,839)
State Grants	107,619.	00	(\$107,619)
Interest	22,000.	13,500.	(8,500)

The Federal grant (through the State) for streetscape work is now anticipated to be received in the 98/99 budget year.

There are no changes proposed to the Water and Sewer Funds Budget.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to approve the 1997-98 budget amendments as presented.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #3. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE 1998-99 OPERATING BUDGET, SET MILLAGE RATE, HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUDGET AND RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE DOWNTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION. The City Council had the opportunity at two previous meetings to review the budget document. This has also been available for public review and comment.

A. General Fund: The budget has planned expenditures (including transfers to Other Funds) of \$1,904,180. The same millage rate of 13.85 as the last five years is proposed. A fund balance of \$339,429 is shown.

Capital Expenditures	00	198,200.	\$198,200.
Transfer to General Fund	10,000.	00	(10,000)

TOTAL REVENUES:			\$223,961.
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:			\$341,730.
FUND BALANCE:			\$54,290.

The General Fund includes:

Council Manager	\$26,100.
Elections	81,690.
Assessor	6,830.
Attorney	32,600.
General Office	25,000.
Treasurer	114,585.
Planning Commission	149,610.
Police	4,945.
	682,245.

The Police Department includes \$20,000 for the purchase of a used vehicle and refurbishing two.

Fire	163,250.
Ambulance	3,000.
City Hall	33,150.
Cemetery	92,750.

The Cemetery included \$10,000 of road paving.

Eng/Bldg. Inspection	11,100.
Dept. of Public Works	144,620.
Sidewalks	10,550.
Refuse	90,000.
(recycling)	
Parks	123,995.
Library	41,100.

The Library is offset by a \$7741 contribution by the Kent District Library.

Historic District Comm.	2,800.
Lowell Area Historical Association	8,760.
Senior Neighbors	1,500.
Chamber of Commerce	3,000.
Unallocated	31,000.
Transfer to Local Streets	20,000.
TOTAL:	\$ 1,904,180.

Blough would seek support for this type of investment in the City's future and the Historic District Commission. Green stated his agreement on a case by case basis.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to adopt the 1998-99 operating budget as presented and to set the millage rate of 13.85.
YEA: Councilmembers Blough, Green, Myers, Shores and Mayor Thompson.
NAY: None.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

B. Building Authority. The Building Authority bond payment for the library is \$125,785 for the fiscal year. This is the third year of a ten year bond payment. Contributions will be provided from the Look Fund (\$40,000), Lowell Area Community Fund (\$40,000) and remaining donations and interest earned. Thus, no General Fund contribution is required for this year.

C. Water and Wastewater Fund. No rate increases were proposed.

Currently, water commodity charge \$ 1.58 per thousand gallons per month readiness to serve \$17.50 per month.

A 12" main will be installed from Broadway to Armitage as part of the downtown improvement project. An 8" main from the intersection of S. Hudson and Main Street will also be undertaken.

sewer commodity charge \$ 1.80 per thousand gallons

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

per month debt service \$11.00 per month

No sewer projects have been planned. A master plan for an expansion of the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant will be undertaken by Earth Tech. No allocations will be required from the Wastewater Fund.

D. Lee Fund. The Parks and Recreation Commission and City Council adopted a policy to ensure at least \$1,000 or 10% of net proceedings would be set aside toward building a fund reserve to gain greater investment revenue. Two pavilions are planned for Creekside and Stoney Lakeside Parks. There will be one 20 x 24 structure at each park by the current fiscal year end. An additional pavilion and more parking will be installed at Creekside Park during the coming budget year. An allocation of \$4,800 is provided for design services to Recreation Park improvements as part of reviewing access to the facility. King Milling Company will donate \$5,000 for this study.

On behalf of the Downtown Historic District Commission, Jim Doyle provided a letter to the Council which addressed issues and concerns discussed at their last meeting.

A lengthy process entitled "Demolition by Neglect" can be pursued by the Historic District Commission. The funds used for restoration or demolition of buildings within the district would be levied against the property owners and considered a receivable in the General Fund upon exchange of the sale of the property or taxes being paid.

Councilmember Blough had concerns where the funds would come before the City is reimbursed. Pasquale responded the City could have an allocation from the General Fund. This is an unallocated activity where monies could be utilized as the Historic District Commission needs. The allocations would be considered a receivable until property taxes are paid and the City is reimbursed.

Councilmember Blough questioned how many properties have been estimated for this budget year for Demolition by Neglect.

Doyle responded there are two to four properties under consideration for this process.

Mayor Thompson inquired if interest will be charged on these monies, until reimbursement is made. City Treasurer Olin responded interest would be charged, if placed as a special assessment on the tax bill.

Councilmember Myers questioned if repairs would be in the amount greater than the value of the building. Concerns were also raised on providing more money into a building than it's worth for the sake of saving the structure. When the property goes to tax sale, Olin stated eventually the State of Michigan would bill the City for the difference.

Mayor Thompson stated there are at least two buildings which are a risk to the public. The City has to pay to prevent the liability.

Councilmember Blough stated the City Council supported the formation of a Historic District Commission process of studying the properties which are downtown. It has been noted the process for Demolition by Neglect is very lengthy. The initial two phases take almost 3-4 months, not including the legal work and hearings to the Circuit Court, if the property owner does not comply.

Blough would seek support for this type of investment in the City's future and the Historic District Commission. Green stated his agreement on a case by case basis.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to adopt the 1998-99 operating budget as presented and to set the millage rate of 13.85.
YEA: Councilmembers Blough, Green, Myers, Shores and Mayor Thompson.
NAY: None.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #4. UPDATE ON TREE REMOVAL REQUIRES AT 829 N. JEFFERSON. Pasquale stated the Council had questioned the proposed spending of \$1,300 to cut down a healthy tree at 829 N. Jefferson. It has been noted

the tree is pushing slightly on the retaining wall. One alternate is to have Poortenga Tree Service trim the two trees in the area to allow sunlight through, costing \$475.00.

Arnold DeLoof, as property owner, received a quote of \$750 from another company for removal of the tree. Councilmember Shores would like to ensure this company is insured and bonded.

Councilmember Myers questioned Department of Public Works Director DesJarden concerning the tree damaging the wall further over time. DesJarden replied the wall had been in this condition for years. Myers would support spending \$375 for tree removal (one half of cost) as opposed to \$475 for tree trimming, with the understanding of replacing the tree.

DeLoof wanted to plant the replacement tree on his own property. The City agreed.

Mayor Thompson stated the City should ensure this contractor meets the insurance requirements.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by BLOUGH to allow removal of a tree located in the City right of way at 829 N. Jefferson, paying \$375 or one half the cost provided a replacement is planted and the contractor meet the City of Lowell's insurance requirements.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #5. AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE INVOLVING FRONT YARD LANDSCAPING REQUIREMENTS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL AND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS - ADOPT OR SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE (6/15). Planning Commission Chairman Dan Brubaker stated the Commission noticed a discrepancy in the Commercial and Industrial Districts when a site plan was reviewed. Each of these districts contain site development requirements for building or enlarging a structure. In the C-3 General Business District, when building or erecting a structure, the front yard area and the street side of a corner lot, except for necessary entrance drives, shall be landscaped. Such landscaping shall consist of the equivalent of one canopy tree and three deciduous shrubs for each twenty feet of lot width is established for lot width.

The Planning Commission proposed an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance reading the same landscaping requirements apply for the C-1 (Neighborhood Business), L-1 (Light Industrial) and I (Industrial) districts.

Brubaker noted under Section 1 C-1 (Neighborhood Business District), should state "The front yard area..." Sections 2 and 3 were correct.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by BLOUGH to establish a public hearing on June 15, 1998 to consider an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance involving front yard landscaping requirements in the Neighborhood Business, Light Industrial and Industrial District.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

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ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #5. AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE INVOLVING FRONT YARD LANDSCAPING REQUIREMENTS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL AND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS - ADOPT OR SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE (6/15). Planning Commission Chairman Dan Brubaker stated the Commission noticed a discrepancy in the Commercial and Industrial Districts when a site plan was reviewed. Each of these districts contain site development requirements for building or enlarging a structure. In the C-3 General Business District, when building or erecting a structure, the front yard area and the street side of a corner lot, except for necessary entrance drives, shall be landscaped. Such landscaping shall consist of the equivalent of one canopy tree and three deciduous shrubs for each twenty feet of lot width is established for lot width.

The Planning Commission proposed an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance reading the same landscaping requirements apply for the C-1 (Neighborhood Business), L-1 (Light Industrial) and I (Industrial) districts.

Brubaker noted under Section 1 C-1 (Neighborhood Business District), should state "The front yard area..." Sections 2 and 3 were correct.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by BLOUGH to establish a public hearing on June 15, 1998 to consider an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance involving front yard landscaping requirements in the Neighborhood Business, Light Industrial and Industrial District.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #6. AWARD OF BIDS- PAINTING AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT. Water Treatment Plant Superintendent George Regan stated bids were received to paint the exterior of Water Treatment building - west and south walls, the Slaker building, as well as its interior and floor installing new concrete.

The bids were provided as follows:

Dave Cole Decorators, Inc. (G.R.)	\$5,650.
Kool Ind. Painting Co. (G.R.)	\$7,205.
Pennington Bros., Ltd. (Twin Lake)	\$8,465.

Pasquale stated the following costs involving to the low bid from Dave Cole Decorators, Inc.:

- Water Treatment Plant (west and south walls)	\$1,800
- slaker building	\$1,100
- interior of Slaker building	\$1,300
- Floor of the Slaker building	\$800.00.

The City may also consider installing a new concrete floor.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by MYERS to award contract of painting at the Water Treatment Plant to Dave Cole Decorators, Inc. for a cost of \$5,650 to be allocated from the Water Fund.

IT WAS MOVED BY BLOUGH and seconded by GREEN to table the West Main Street sidewalk project until the June 15, 1998 meeting.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #8. CITIZEN COMMENTS. Police Chief Valentine complimented the Public Works and Light and Power Departments for their fast action on Sunday's storm (May 31). DesJarden stated he had five workers clearing the streets which were blocked by large trees and spent the rest of the day with Light and Power. His workers also assisted Light and Power on Monday to clear trees so power lines could be replaced.

Lowell Ledger Editor, Thad Kraus stated the Cherry Creek Classic will be held on June 13, 1998 starting at the Lowell Middle School. Proceeds will go to the DARE program.

Item #9. COUNCIL COMMENTS. Councilmember Shores stated the new logo contest has started. There has been one notice in the paper and more coming. There will be a \$750.00 prize for the winning entry. Entries are due by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 26. Lowell Light and Power, Cable TV and City have all donated \$250.00 each toward the prize. It is anticipated that the prize will be presented to the winner at the Riverwalk Festival on September 5, 1998.

Councilmember Myers stated the bridge project appears to be progressing well. It is good to see the caution light rather than the stop light. The local traffic seems to appreciate it.

MEAP, cont'd.... From Page 1

another indicates an anomaly," White explains.

There are three levels of scoring in science - proficient, novice and not yet novice.

Only 1.4 percent who took the test were not yet novice. That is down from 2.2 percent last year.

The Kent County average was 46.3 percent. The state average was 40.4.

Lowell had just 32.4 percent of its eighth-graders score proficiently in the science test. That was eighth best in Kent County. It was also better than the county (29.6 percent) and state (22 percent) averages.

While in comparison Lowell's score is competitive

with what other schools are doing. White explained there is still work to do and a lot of room for improvement.

"Schools which have typically had very high science scores haven't had high scores since the new science test was given three years ago," White said.

Reasons for the three-year low science score trend include the difficulty of the new test and the alignment of the schools' instruction and curriculum which is not yet matched up with the concepts being tested on the MEAP.

Lowell's fifth- and eighth-grade science scores

this year are the highest they have been in three years.

"I think our teachers have done an outstanding job of working on all subject matters. Lowell doesn't just practice for the MEAP two weeks before the test. It is a part of our curriculum," White said.

"The MEAP is a good tool to measure how we're doing."

The director of curriculum and instruction adds that while over the last 10 years there has not always been a huge show of it, aligning curriculum with the concepts being measured by the MEAP is something the school has always tried to do.

5th-GRADE WRITING	
District	Score
E. Grand Rapids	90.4
Caledonia	90.2
Forest Hills	88.2
Northview	87.3
Byron Center	86.7
LOWELL	86.6
Grandville	84.5
Cedar Springs	83.7
Godfrey Lee	81.8
Rockford	81.8

8th-GRADE WRITING	
District	Score
LOWELL	96.8
Forest Hills	92.8
E. Grand Rapids	90.5
Caledonia	89.1
Thornapple-Kellogg	89.1
Grandville	86.6
Byron Center	85.7
Northview	84.0
Wyoming	84.0
Rockford	83.6

5th-GRADE SCIENCE	
District	Score
Byron Center	91.1
Forest Hills	78.0
E. Grand Rapids	73.9
Grandville	71.3
Godfrey Lee	67.6
Caledonia	66.3
Rockford	65.9
Comstock Park	59.4
LOWELL	58.0
Northview	53.8

8th-GRADE SCIENCE	
District	Score
Forest Hills	59.3
E. Grand Rapids	52.4
Caledonia	47.3
Godwin Heights	44.7
Kenowa Hills	39.8
Rockford	35.7
Northview	33.2
LOWELL	32.4
Grandville	31.7
Kentwood	30.9

1998 MEAP RESULTS

TO THE CITIZENS OF LOWELL

I would like to comment on the article that Deb Canfield put in the June 15 Buyers Guide.

First: I agree that if the Lowell Education Association steps into a School Board campaign and endorses candidates without even so much as contacting the opponents, this becomes an unfair election. When school employees are contacted by phone and by mail that the Lowell Education Association is sponsoring Pete Gustafson and Pat Nugent, perhaps they also should explain what qualifications make them the better candidates. Is it not enough for a parent and business woman, who gives countless hours of volunteerism to the school system, to be considered a worthy candidate? I sure think it is.

Second: If, in fact, the five values that Lowell Area Schools are trying to put into place are Responsibility, Integrity, Compassion, Honesty and Respect, has the Lowell Education Association set an example of these values? I certainly don't think they have.

Our school encourages parental involvement. Is this the "thanks" they get in return? I feel that the very system that Deb had so much trust and belief in has done her a great injustice.

Respectfully,
Barb Zandstra

Sidewalk, cont'd.... From Page 1

the time of putting the project together, it was unknown where the driveway for the property would be. That issue has been resolved, allowing for the sidewalk to be done.

The council unanimously

approved all three additional projects, allowing the W. Main sidewalk work to continue.

As to what happened to the original pesky permit application, no one is too certain.

"We do know that it wasn't the city's fault as (Pasquale) did sign it," Thompson said. "As to where it went from there, no one really knows."

Milling, cont'd.... From Page 1

The plans call for the workers to begin milling at the Ionia County line and work to Broadway. They will then

repave that portion of the road. Once that is completed, they will begin from the Valley Vista area heading east to fin-

ish up the project that is scheduled for this year. Pasquale said.

Salaries, cont'd.... From Page 1

would be subject to a three-month probationary period. Ability to adhere to the gov-

ernment-mandated job descriptions for elected posi-


tions could also determine rate of pay.


Answer to this week's Whitecaps trivia question: Name all of the professional sports teams located in the Grand Rapids area. West Michigan Whitecaps, Grand Rapids Rampage, Grand Rapids Griffins and the Grand Rapids Hoops.

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Council Proceedings, cont'd.... From Page 7

A. At its April 20 meeting, the Look Memorial Committee awarded grants for the purchase of two defibrillators totalling \$5,000 to the Lowell Fire Department and \$4,100 for an ice skating rink study.

Also, copies of the February 18, 1998 meeting minutes were given.

B. Provided in the agenda was a letter from the Michigan Aeronautics Bureau which will be sent to adjoining property owners regarding the liability of trees obstructing the safety of runways at the Lowell City Airport. This was pursued by Airport Boardmember Jim Sowle, who talked with staff members at the Aeronautics Bureau concerning the issue of safety and informing these property owners about the liability undertaken when their trees are left alone. Roger Brown of the Airport Board added this would be a major tool to keep trees trimmed at the end of the runways.

C. The Planning Commission, at its May 26, 1998 meeting, approved the following site plans: (1) construction of an 8250 square foot warehouse building for Admiral Petroleum at 2335 W. Main, (2) a ground sign and monument at First Baptist Church, and (3) pavilions at Creekside and Stoney Lakeside Parks.

The Commission also established a public hearing on Monday, June 22 to review the Water Street vacation proposal along with deleting a portion of Recreation Park adjoining Michigan Wire from the Master Plan.

D. The following meeting minutes were provided in the agenda packets:

- Cable TV Board meeting of April 23 - Community Swimming Pool Committee meeting of May 21 - GVMC Transportation meeting of April 15 - Lowell Area Cham-

ber of Commerce meeting of April 9 - Downtown Development Authority meeting of April 30.

E. The next City Hall - Police Station study meeting is tentatively scheduled for early July.

Item #11. APPOINTMENTS. none.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 8:31 p.m.

DATE APPROVED:
Monday, June 15, 1998

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

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Accident Wounds Nose and Foot

A broken right foot and nose were the result of a two-car accident at the intersection of Vergennes and Parnell Monday in Vergennes Township. Darcie Matthews, 17, of Lowell, was driving eastbound on Vergennes when a dump truck driven by Bernard Anderson, 68, of Newaygo, pulled out in front of her. Anderson was southbound on Parnell. He was cited with failing to yield the right of way, according to Kent County Sheriff Department deputy Marc Faase. Both drivers were wearing seatbelts according to the deputy.

Lowell Charter Township increases Hope Network allotment to \$3,000

By Amy Briggs
Contributing Writer

Hope Network may provide a service with a smile, but the program's cost sailed far beyond budget this year! This was determined at the Lowell Charter Township regular board meeting June 15. While the township remains committed to their partnership with Hope Network, it was clear to board members that the budgeted funds for the service needed re-evaluating.

"For 1997-98 [the board] voted for \$2,000 of [the township's] Community Development monies to go toward Hope Network services," explained township clerk Carol Wells at the meeting. "With one month to go yet in our fiscal year, we are overextended \$768.04."

While the costs surpassing the budget can be paid from the township's General Fund, Wells proposed that a budget amendment be added to allow for the June service costs of Hope Network. The motion carried that \$1,500 would tack onto the June budget. The next year's budget includes a Hope Network allotment of \$3,000. The service includes transportation for the elderly and handicapped at a township-subsidized cost. "Providing Hope Network Transport is one of the

Providing Hope Network Transport is one of the few things our Community Development funds qualify for. Area folks depend on the service and we will continue to offer it.

Carol Wells
Lowell Charter Township Clerk

get with unused monies recycling into next year's General Fund. Hope Network's Transit Service was implemented in this area in 1991. Its popularity has grown so much that

Karp project back on track

By Amy Briggs
Contributing Writer

What has become of Tom Karp's proposed site condominium project in Lowell Charter Township?

The development, slated for Foreman and Cumberland, is still in the works, as citizens learned at the township planning commission meeting June 8.

Jordan McCormack, Division Manager for Capital Consumers Engineering, represented the Karp project and spoke for the development's progress. He stated that a "storm water management plan" is being formulated with "stipulations for water main and sewer to meet county and township standards."

The Karp project had been temporarily on hold while

concerns raised by the commission were considered, and the commission was pleased to see the project back on track.

"We are happy to accommodate Mr. Karp; that's why we rezoned that area," explained commission vice chair Richard Bryan. "If he meets our criteria, we will see no reason to deny approval of his plans."

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4	WOTV-41
5*	WILV-43
6	WGVU-35
7	WXMI-17
8	WOOD-8
9*	WLNS-6
10*	WILX-10
11*	WTLJ-54
12	WKAR-23
13	WZZM-13
14	DISNEY**
15	WSYM-47
16	HBO**
17	WTBS
18	C-MAX**
19	FAM
20	FX
21*	MTV
23	USA
24	DISCOVERY
25	WGN
26	ESPN
27	CNN
28*	HN
29	NICK
30	A&E
31	FOX SPORTS
32*	TNT
33*	C-SPAN
34*	EWTN
35	TNN
36	TRAVEL
37	LEARNING
38	SCI-FI
39*	VH-1
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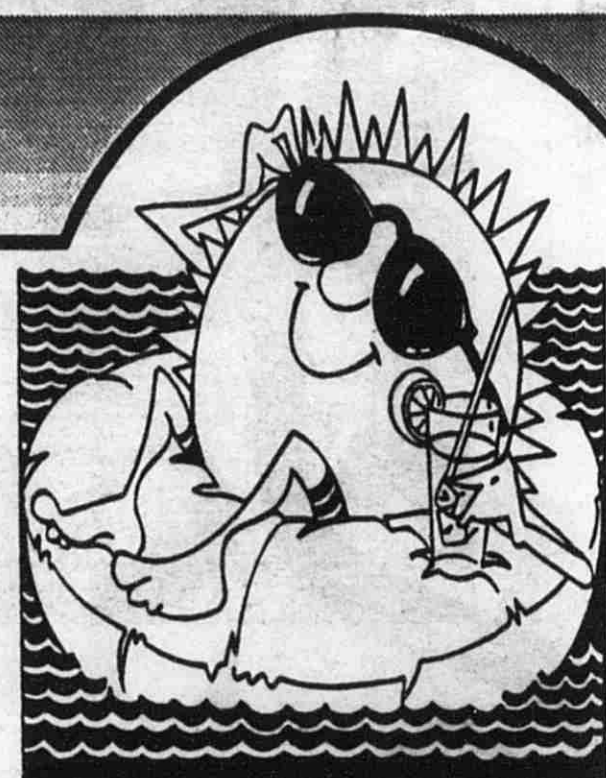
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TUESDAY LATE NIGHT JUNE 23, 1998. Table with columns for time slots (12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 1:30, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30) and rows for broadcast stations (WVMT, WOVU, WGVU, WXMI, WOOD, WKAR, WZZM, WSYM, TBS, FAM, FX, USA, DISC, WGN, ESPN, CNN, NICK, A&E, FSD, TNT, NASH, TRAV, TLC, SCIFI, HIST, AMC, DISN, HBO, MAX).

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THURSDAY EVENING JUNE 25, 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 "Mr. Muscles" (R) (In Stereo)	Diagnosis Murder "Discards" (R) (In Stereo)	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)			
4	WQTV	American Journal	Real TV (In Stereo)	One Life to Live	Prey "Vengeance" (In Stereo)	Thursday Night (In Stereo)	News	Nightline			
5	WGVU	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Practical Sports	This Old House	Michigan Out-of-Doors	Fly Fishing	Anywhere Wild	Great Lakes Outdoors	Waiting for God	Charlie Rose (In Stereo)	
7	WXMI	Home Improvement	Seinfeld "The Trip"	World's Wildest Police Videos (In Stereo) (PA)	New York Undercover "The Troubles" (In Stereo)	Pai Factor: Chronicles of the Paranormal (R)	Fraser (In Stereo)	M*A*S*H "Dear Sis"			
8	WOOD	Inside Edition	Extra (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	Veronica's Closet	Seinfeld (In Stereo)	Just Shoot Me	ER (In Stereo)	News	Tonight Show	
12	WKAR	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Practical Sports	Michigan Out-of-Doors	This Old House (R)	Origins With Burt Wolf	Mystery! "A Mind to Murder" (R) (In Stereo)				
13	WZZM	Entertainment Tonight	Mad About You	One Life to Live	Prey "Vengeance" (In Stereo)	Thursday Night (In Stereo)	News	Nightline			
14	WSYM	Fraser (In Stereo)	Home Improvement	World's Wildest Police Videos (In Stereo) (PA)	New York Undercover "The Troubles" (In Stereo)	News	Magic Hour (In Stereo)				
17	TBS	Andy Griffith	Major League Baseball: New York Yankees at Atlanta Braves. From Turner Field. (Live)				Movie: *** "Two Mules for Sister Sara" (1970) Clint Eastwood.				
18	FAM	(6:00) Movie: ** "The Sacketts" (1979)	Rescue 911 (In Stereo)				Movie: ** "The Ghost and Mr. Chicken" (1966) Don Knotts, Liam Redmond.				
20	FX	Miami Vice "Back on the World"	X-Files "The Field Where I Died" (In Stereo)				NYPD Blue "For Whom the Skull Rolls" (In Stereo)	In Living Color	Bobcat's Big Show	X-Files "Humbug" (In Stereo)	
23	USA	Highlander: The Series "Blind Faith" (In Stereo)	Walker, Texas Ranger "Rampage" (In Stereo)				Movie: *** "Death Becomes Her" (1992) Meryl Streep, Goldie Hawn. (In Stereo)				
24	DISC	Disc	America's Great Parks: Grand Canyon, Yellowstone and Yosemite Most-loved national parks. (R)				Wings "Future Wings" "Space Planes"				
25	WGN	Major League Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Detroit Tigers. From Tiger Stadium. (In Stereo Live)					News (In Stereo)				
26	ESPN	(6:30) Sportscenter	World's Strongest Man Competition 1996 (R)	X-Games From San Diego. (Live)							
27	CNN	Moneyline	Crossfire	World Today	Larry King Live		Newsstand: Entertainment Weekly			Sports Tonight	Moneyline (R)
28	NICK	Doug (In Stereo)	Rugrats (In Stereo)	Angry Beavers	Brady Bunch	Brady Bunch	Wonder Years "Denial"	Happy Days	Bewitched	I Love Lucy	Mary Tyler Moore
29	A&E	Law & Order "The Fertile Fields"	Biography "Annette Funclero" (R)				Empire of Crime: A Century of the New York Mob	The rise and fall of the New York mob. (R)		Law & Order "Sanctuary"	
31	FSD	Major League Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals at Cleveland Indians. From Jacobs Field. (Live)									
32	TNT	Babylon 5 "A Spider in the Web" (In Stereo)	Movie: ** "Jacob" (1994) Matthew Modine, Irene Papas. (In Stereo)								
33	NASH	Waltons "The Graduation" (In Stereo)	Championship Rodeo (R) (In Stereo)				Prime Time Country (In Stereo)			Dallas "The Prodigal" (In Stereo)	
35	TRAV	Loose in the Wild West Africa	Outdoor Journal (R)	Amazing America (R)	Great Palaces		Lone Planet "Pakistan" (R)			Amazing America (R)	Great Palaces
37	TRC	Home Again (R)	Home Again (R)	Medical Detectives (R)	Medical Detectives (R)		Hunt for Amazing Treasures II (R)			Medical Detectives (R)	Medical Detectives (R)
38	SCI FI	Sequest DSV "Brothers and Sisters" (In Stereo)	Sightings (In Stereo)	Making-Dust			Forever Knight "Hunted" (In Stereo)			Sequest DSV "Brothers and Sisters" (In Stereo)	
41	HIST	Air Combat "The Fighters"	Frankenstein (R)				History's Crimes & Trials "Doctors of Death" (R)			World at War "Whirlwind"	
42	AMC	(6:30) Movie: *** "My Six Weeks" (1963)	Movie: ** "Springfield Rifle" (1952), Phyllis Thaxter, David Brian								
43	DISN	Movie: ** "That Dam Cat" (1997), Doug E. Doug, Dean Jones PG	American Teacher Awards Outstanding teachers from throughout the United States are honored. (R) (In Stereo)							Walt Disney Presents "The Coyote's Lament" (R)	
44	HBO	Wimbledon Tennis Highlights	Movie: ** "Booby Call" (1997), Tommy Davidson (In Stereo) NR	Movie: ** "Subway Stories" (1997), Mercedes Ruehl (In Stereo) R	Movie: ** "B Heads in a Duffel Bag" (1997), Andy Comau (In Stereo) R	Movie: ** "Bikini Hoe Down" NR					
45	MAX	(6:30) Movie: ** "Wayne's World 2" (1993)	Movie: *** "The Devil's Own" (1997), Brad Pitt (In Stereo) R (Adult language, violence)				Movie: ** "B Heads in a Duffel Bag" (1997), Andy Comau (In Stereo) R	Movie: ** "Bikini Hoe Down" NR			

THURSDAY LATE NIGHT JUNE 25, 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	WQTV	Politically Incorrect	Strange Universe (R)	Paid Program							
5	WGVU	(11:30) Charlie Rose	(Off Air)								
7	WXMI	Vibe									
8	WOOD	(11:35) Tonight Show	Late Night (In Stereo)		Later (In Stereo)	Paid Program	NBC News Nightside				
12	WKAR	(Off Air)									
13	WZZM	Politically Incorrect	Martha Stewart Living	Paid Program	News (R)	Access Hollywood	The View			ABC World News Now (Joined in Progress)	
14	WSYM	Real TV (In Stereo)	Jenny Jones (R) (In Stereo)		Forgive or Forget (In Stereo)		Martha Stewart Living	Gayle King (In Stereo)	All News Night	All News Night	All News Night
17	TBS	(10:35) Movie: "Two Mules for Sister Sara" (1970)	Movie: ** "El Condor" (1970) Jim Brown, Patrick O'Neal.								
18	FAM	Bonanza: The Lost Episodes "Kingdom of Fear"	Paid Program	Paid Program	700 Club			CHiPs "Ride the Whirlwind"		Charles in Charge	Coach
20	FX	NYPD Blue "Upstairs, Downstairs" (In Stereo)	In Living Color	In Living Color	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
23	USA	Highlander: The Series "Methos" (In Stereo)	La Femme Nikita "Not Was" (In Stereo)		Movie: ** "The Rescue" (1988) Kevin Dillon, Charles Haid. (In Stereo)						
24	DISC	America's Great Parks: Grand Canyon, Yellowstone and Yosemite Most-loved national parks. (R)	Wings "Future Wings" "Space Planes" (R)								
25	WGN	In the Heat of the Night "Legacy" (In Stereo)	Simon & Simon "Burden of the Beast"								
26	ESPN	Baseball Tonight	X-Games From San Diego. (Live)								
27	CNN	Larry King Live (R)			Newsstand: Entertainment Weekly (R)		Sports Tonight	Moneyline (R)		CNN International	Newsroom
28	NICK	Taxi "Friends"	Newhart		Dick Van Dyke	Bob Newhart	Rhoda "Nose Job"	Brady Bunch	Happy Days	Bewitched	I Love Lucy
29	A&E	Biography "Annette Funclero" (R)			Empire of Crime: A Century of the New York Mob	The rise and fall of the New York mob. (R)		Law & Order "Sanctuary"		Movie: ** "The Big Wheel" (1949)	
31	FSD	Last Word (R)	Boxing: Fight Night at the Great Western Forum. From Inglewood, Calif. (R)				In the Zone (R)				
32	TNT	Movie: *** "Exodus" (1960, Drama) Paul Newman, Eva Marie Saint, Ralph Richardson. Jewish refugees escape British internment camps on Cyprus.									
33	NASH	Dukes of Hazzard (In Stereo)	Prime Time Country (R) (In Stereo)				Today's Country (R) (In Stereo)				
35	TRAV	Lone Planet "Pakistan" (R)	Rough Guide "Rajasthan" (R)				Loose in the Wild West Africa	Outdoor Journal (R)			
37	TRC	Hunt for Amazing Treasures II (R)	Nuclear Sub: Seawolf (R)				Home Again (R)	Home Again (R)			
38	SCI FI	Sightings (In Stereo)	Making-Dust				Forever Knight "Hunted" (In Stereo)				
41	HIST	Frankenstein (R)	History's Crimes & Trials "Doctors of Death" (R)				History Undercover "Spying for Love" (R)				
42	AMC	(11:45) Movie: *** "The Song of Bernadette" (1943) Jennifer Jones. A young peasant experiences a miracle near Lourdes.	Movie: *** "Oklahoma!" (1955, Musical) Gordon MacRae. An adaptation of the Rodgers and Hammerstein Broadway hit. 'G'								
43	DISN	Zorro (In Stereo)	Movie: *** "The Horse in the Gray Flannel Suit" (1968), Diane Baker, Lloyd Bochner 'G'								
44	HBO	Arli\$\$ (In Stereo)	Sex and the City (R)	Movie: "Bone Daddy" (1998), Barbara Williams (In Stereo) NR	Movie: ** "Booby Call" (1997), Tommy Davidson (In Stereo) R	Movie: ** "Pimps Up, Ho's Down" (R) (In Stereo)					
45	MAX	(11:35) Movie: "Bikini Hoe Down" (1997) NR	Movie: ** "Sprung" (1997), Rusty Cundieff (In Stereo) R (Adult language, adult situations)				Movie: ** "Pinocchio's Revenge" (1996) (In Stereo) R				

COMING EVENTS

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

EVERY THIRDSUN.: 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 THIRDMONDAY: 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!

EVERY MONDAY: Senior Men's Golf Club at Arrowhead Golf Course, 9 a.m. tee-time. 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.

TUES. & THURS: Flat River Running Club, 7 p.m. at Fallsburg Park-main parking lot, during summer months starting June 23. For more information call Mike Wojciakowski, 691-7455.

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 11:45 a.m.

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

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 1ST TUES: Adults with A.D.D. Issues Group meeting at Aquinas College

in the classroom building (at the far end of the parking lot) on Woodward, just south of Fulton in room 109. For information call Ann at 949-8537.

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

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

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

FIRST WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH: Alzheimers Support Group meets at 6:30 p.m. at Cumberland Retirement Village. Phone 897-9310 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 THIRD THURSDAY: LaLeche League of Ada, Cascade & Lowell meets at 6:30 p.m. for socializing with meeting at 7 p.m. Mother to mother support for pregnant & breastfeeding women. Nursing children are welcome to attend. Our current location is a church in Ada. Call Janet 897-6845 or Laurie, 642-6195 for more information.

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

EVERY WEDNESDAY: 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.

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.

EVERY THURS. - St. Mary's Pregnancy Crisis Center, 402 Amity St., non-denominational-help for pregnant women and adolescents at the school. From 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. and on Mondays from 5:30 - 8 p.m. Phone 897-9393.

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

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.

THURS., JUNE 18: KeenAgers will meet at Vergennes Methodist

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.

EVERYSAT: Lowell Amateur Radio Club sponsors the 145.270 - repeater which operates on a 24-hour basis. Also there is a Simplex Frequency 147.420 PL 186.2.

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

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.

THURS., JUNE 18: KeenAgers will meet at Vergennes Methodist

Church at 10 a.m. Pot luck dinner, bring a dish to pass and your own table service. They will play cards. Come and bring a friend.

FRI., JUNE 19: 1 p.m. A general cleanup will take place at Showboat Park to get ready for the teen dances to be held there for the next six Monday evenings. June 22 & 29, July 6, 13, 20 & 27. All area teens are invited to come and help. Any questions call Rev. Gordon Barry, 897-5936, office; 897-8267, home.

MON., JUNE 22: The Lowell YMCA pre-K - 2nd second grade basketball camp at the Lowell Middle School will begin. Please call 897-8445 and sign-up today.

FRI., JULY 24: The LHS Class of 1978 invites their classmates, brothers & sisters, friends and fans of the Bimini Brothers Band to join their class party at Fallsburg Park Pavilion from 5-10 p.m. Reservations and a \$10 contribution per person are required. Send reservations to Tom Smith at 2255 Boston St. S.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49506.

***** No matter how old a mother is, she watches her middle-aged children for signs of improvement. —Florida Scott-Maxwell*****

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR 897-5949

- MON.:** 8:30 a.m. Walking, Woodland Mall. and shop - Woodland Mall; 1:00 p.m., Euchre; 9:30, Crafts.
- TUES.:** 8:30 a.m. Walking, Woodland Mall. **FRI.:** 8:30 a.m. Walking-Woodland Mall.
- WED.:** 12:45 Shopping assistance. **MON.-FRI.:** Senior meals program, noon.
- THURS:** 9:00 a.m. Walk

Special Events

- FRI., JUNE 19:** 12:30 p.m., Gerontology Network.
- MON., JUNE 22:** 12:30 p.m., Roger's Plaza shop.
- WED., JUNE 24:** 8 a.m., Women's breakfast. (Dinner reservations should be made 3 working days in advance)
- FRI., JUNE 26:** 11 a.m., Noels Restaurant luncheon.
- MON., JUNE 29:** 12:45 p.m., Close Enuffor Jazz, at the Center.



IS SATELLITE TV THE ANSWER?

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Church and Hendrickson capture honors at 4th Annual Cherry Creek Classic

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

For the law school grad student from North Carolina, it was his final stop before San Francisco.

"It was a long grind," said Richard Church. He wasn't referring to his law school days in Tar Heel country; instead he was describing the 3.1 mile Cherry Creek Classic course.

Church raced through the hilly course, Saturday, in posting the day's best time of 15:50.

"I was tired when I finished," Church explained.

Valerie Hendrickson was the top female runner and 16th overall. The Grandville native did so in record-setting fashion, crushing the previous record set by Lyndsay Carrier (20:09) in 1997.

Hendrickson stopped the clock in 18:36.

The win was her second in four years at the Cherry Creek Classic.

"It's a tough, hilly course," said Hendrickson who has been road racing for 13 years.

Katie Clifford was the second fastest woman runner. She stopped the clock in 18:59. Clifford was 22nd overall.

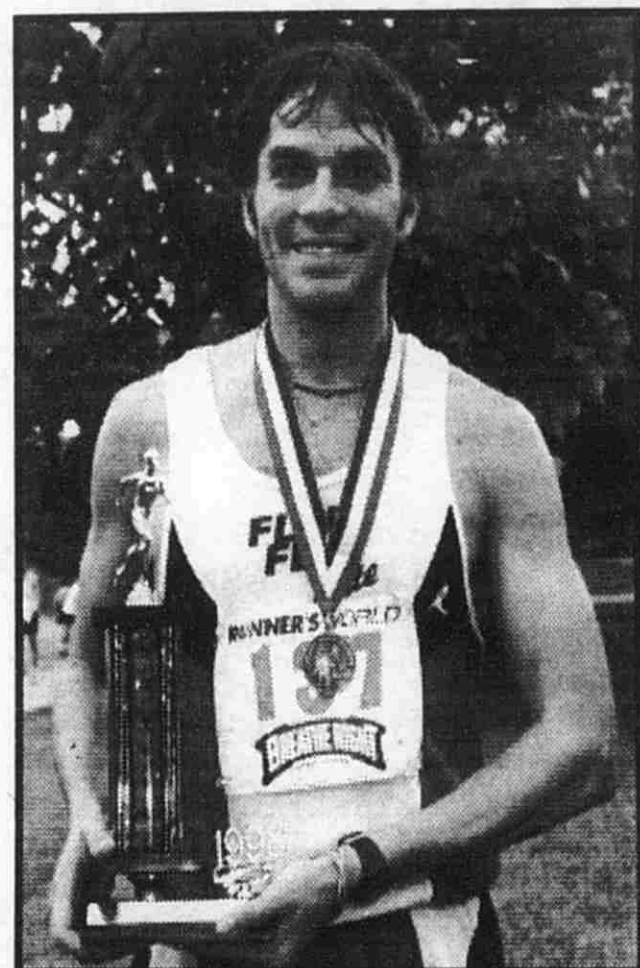
Earning gold medals in the men's running divisions were Nick Liversedge, 14 and under; Minnema, 15-19 year olds; Andy McCarty, 20-24 year olds; Church, 25-29 year olds; Jeff Tercheck, 30-34 year olds; Steve Peabody, 35-39 year olds; Steven Kenaga, 40-44 year olds; Randy Bates, 45-49 year olds; Tom Rademacher, 50-54 year olds;

participants, some of which registered but did not run or walk.

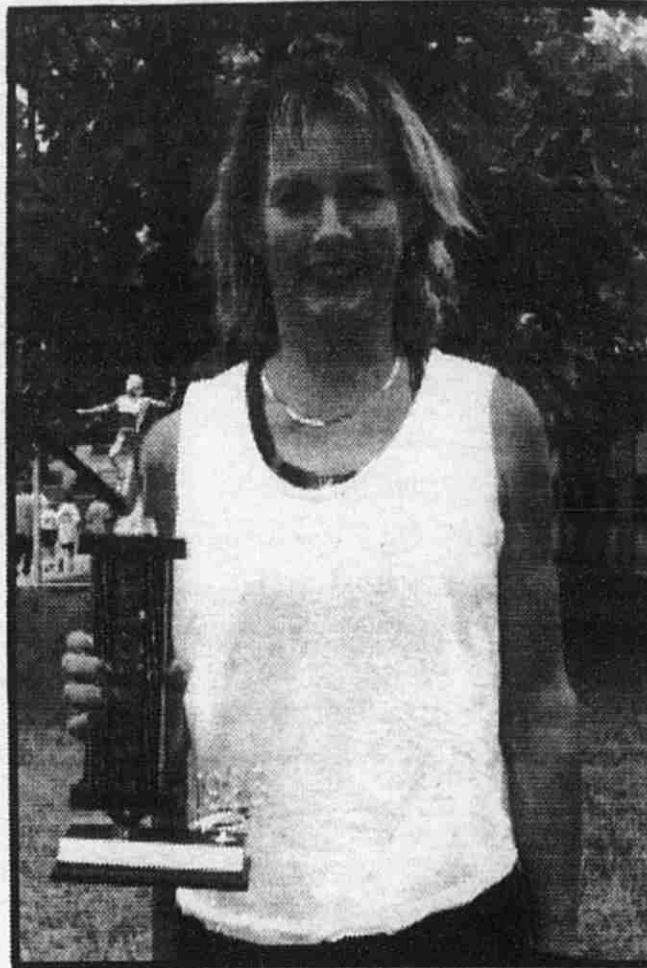
Amy Hartert, of Grand Rapids, was a first-time participant. "It was a real nice course - very pretty. It was just my third 5K race this year. That's all I run," she explained. Hartert stopped the clock in 22:50.

Race proceeds, which will be announced within the next two weeks, will be donated to the D.A.R.E. program.

Earning gold medals in the men's running divisions were Nick Liversedge, 14 and under; Minnema, 15-19 year olds; Andy McCarty, 20-24 year olds; Church, 25-29 year olds; Jeff Tercheck, 30-34 year olds; Steve Peabody, 35-39 year olds; Steven Kenaga, 40-44 year olds; Randy Bates, 45-49 year olds; Tom Rademacher, 50-54 year olds;



Richard Church was the top overall runner, completing the 3.1 mile course in 15:50



Valerie Hendrickson was the top female runner overall with a time of 18:36

Larry Scott, 55-59 year olds; and Paul Grindel, 60-65 year olds.

Receiving gold medals in the women's running divisions were Alyse Clever, 14 and under; Clifford, 15-19 year olds; Paula Krupiczewicz, 20-24 year olds; Bridget Tomich, 25-29 year olds; Hartert, 30-34 year olds; Hendrickson, 35-39 year olds; Deborah Yealin, 40-44 year olds; Bernardino, 45-49 year olds; and Paula Emmons, 50-54 year olds.

Earning gold medals in the men and women's walking divisions were Derek Offenbacher, 14 and under; Deanna Brooks, 15-19 year olds; Laura Kryger, 20-24

year olds; James Lowry and Wendy Lowry, 25-29 year olds; Laura Betz, 30-34 year olds; Loren Miller and Edie Beckers, 35-39 year olds; Brian Nisbet and Cindy Koning, 40-44 year olds; Ed Zimmerman and Barb Minier, 45-49 year olds; Ray Vantil and Marcia Rickert, 50-54 year olds; Gail Houlihan, 55-59 year olds; and Ronald Mossel and Margie Lowry, 60-65 year olds.

Sponsoring this year's race were Springrove Variety, The Lowell Ledger, King Milling, Huntington Bank, Sneaker's, Judd Carroll D.D.S., David G. Durkee O.D., Roger Chapman Ins., Metric Mfg., Chadalee

Farms, Lowell Lanes, Arctic Refrigeration Inc., Thomt Chevrolet, Harold Zeigler Ford, Greenridge Realty, Speerstra-Carr Agency, Curtis Cleaners, Softee Creme, Newell Mfg., Larkin's Restaurant, Animal Hospital and Pet Complex of Lowell and Ionia County National Bank.

"The race ran very smoothly. We are pleased with the number of runners/walkers who participated," said Cherry Creek Classic coordinator Terry VanderWarf. "We will continue to work to make this event bigger and better each year."



There were approximately 230 runners/walkers who signed up for the Cherry Creek Classic.

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RUNNERS

1. Richard Church	15:50	35. Doug DeBoer	20:27	69. Paula Emmons	22:59	103. Dennis Nead	25:11	137. Barbara Graham	28:08
2. James Minnema	16:07	36. Steven Kanoza	20:31	70. Brian Wilmarth	23:03	104. Terry Dawson	25:33	138. Cynthia Kulak	28:56
3. Ryan Hesselink	16:56	37. Ricko Houtstra	20:34	71. Paula Krupiczewicz	23:04	105. Brenda Teegardin	25:39	139. Patrice Conrad	29:05
4. Ryan Wittenbach	16:58	38. Danny Feyan	20:36	72. Kris Fox	23:04	106. Jenny Outen	25:45	140. Belinda Lenneman	29:10
5. Randy Bates	16:59	39. Karen Bernardino	20:42	73. Tyson Mengel	23:12	107. Sarah Fox	25:49	141. Chris Hurst	29:19
6. Michael Cooper	17:10	40. David Harris	20:43	74. Robert Anderson	23:14	108. Bekah Brooke	25:49	142. Nettie Shank	29:20
7. Steve Peabody	17:29	41. Jon Dehn	20:47	75. Ken Willmarth	23:14	109. Cornelius Guyt	25:52	143. Bob Hollen	29:37
8. Eugene Kreys	17:54	42. Mark Nisbet	20:51	76. Jerry Hendrick	23:17	110. Kelly Beckers	25:54	144. Betty Ann Pratt	29:40
9. Nick Liversedge	18:10	43. Michael Scheider	20:52	77. Dori Helms	23:18	111. Shari Reinholt	25:54	145. Renee Porter	29:46
10. Andy McCarty	18:10	44. Wade Chipman	20:55	78. Alyse Cleaver	23:18	112. Nancy Lesser	25:56	146. Joanna Williams	29:52
11. Paul Pitsch	18:18	45. Robert Klingbeil	20:56	79. Donna Kanoza	23:23	113. Michael Goodsell	25:58	147. Michelle Krick	29:52
12. Joe Chichester	18:23	46. Deborah Yealin	20:59	80. Anna Higgins	23:25	114. Rick Szczepanski	26:13	148. Kathleen Schmidt	30:17
13. Steven Kenaga	18:26	47. Steve Boer	21:03	81. Jeff Mossel	23:38	115. David Thaler	26:14	149. Patty Stephan	30:30
14. Rick Houghton	18:28	48. Bridget Tomich	21:07	82. Steve Nawrocki	23:39	116. Jana Young	26:31	150. Danielle Krieger	30:42
15. Chip King	18:30	49. Shane Ward	21:12	83. Michael Bayne	23:42	117. Judi Madden	26:37	151. Barb Milanowski	30:53
16. Valerie Hendrickson	18:36	50. David Himebaugh	21:13	84. Holly Beckers	23:47	118. Rhonda Signs	26:53	152. Brian Langlois	31:09
17. Dave Minier	18:41	51. Dan Sysma	21:27	85. Kelsey Scheider	23:49	119. Jack Beckers	26:54	153. Dennis Higgins	31:14
18. Daniel Rottier	18:46	52. Mark Westbrook	21:40	86. Donald Hall	23:51	120. Barbara Gravelyn	26:54	154. Becky DeLiefde	31:22
19. Al Slendebroek	18:49	53. Nancy Liversedge	21:46	87. Doug Abel	23:52	121. Bonnie Peters	26:55	155. Marcia Scheider	31:27
20. Joseph Kaupa	18:50	54. Jeffrey Drake	21:47	88. Robert Cooper	23:53	122. Walter Powell	26:55	156. Janice Paas	32:26
21. Derek VanMeurs	18:53	55. Mike Plaska	21:49	89. Joe Cosgrove	24:00	123. Margaret Tuori	27:08	157. Nancy Anderson	32:51
22. Katie Clifford	18:59	56. Jerry VanderHorst	21:55	90. Lisa Nawrocki	24:01	124. Stacy Early	27:09	158. Josh Anderson	33:07
23. Jeff Tercheck	19:01	57. Paul Rumisek	22:02	91. Paul Grindel	24:04	125. Kyle Mervack	27:09	159. Theresa Green	34:12
24. Matt Klingbeil	19:16	58. John Snippe	22:19	92. James Kikkert	24:15	126. Kathy Ormiston	27:19	160. Melissa Telman	34:53
25. Wendell Martin	19:17	59. Ken Lusk	22:21	93. Darrick Line	24:22	127. Luann Raimondo	27:24	161. Laura Telman	34:54
26. Brian Doyle	19:21	60. Larry Scott	22:23	94. Tonya Knight	24:27	128. Dan Wood	27:29	162. Gary Harvey	35:03
27. Matt Eaton	19:23	61. Keith Hesche	22:25	95. William Martin	24:31	129. Christine Bayne	27:36	163. Deborah Hall	35:03
28. Robert Jazwinski	19:29	62. Don Chandler	22:29	96. Diane Boehlke	24:32	130. Kory Anderson	27:42	164. Michele Strater	36:08
29. Tony LaCount	19:46	63. Craig Wittenbach	22:33	97. Kindall Hewitt	24:35	131. Regan Doyle	27:43	165. Alice Grieser	38:10
30. Ryan Thomsen	19:51	64. David Vail	22:35	98. Kelley Travis	24:39	132. Susan Gasper	27:44	166. Jessica Towne	38:19
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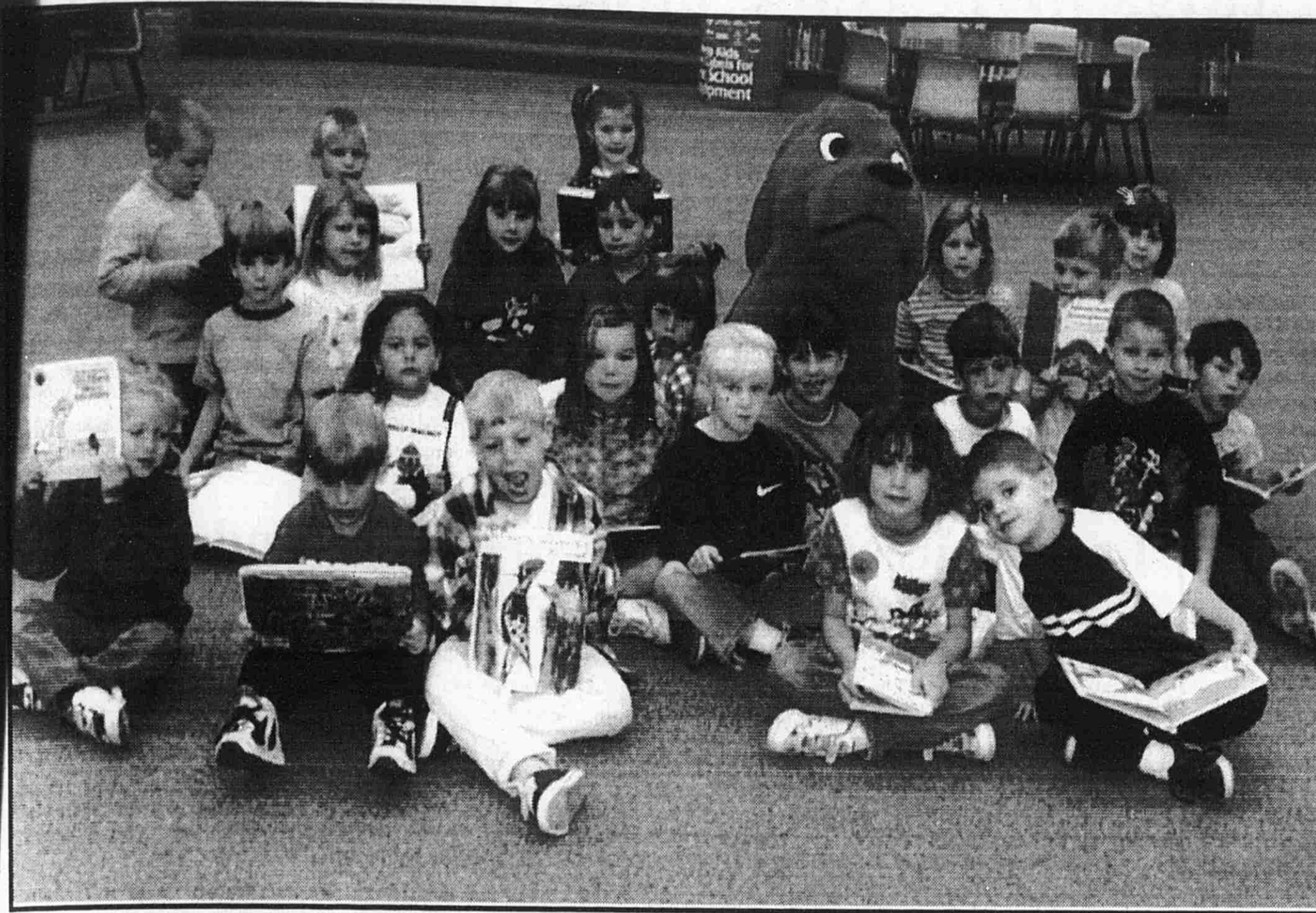
Kids Find New Reading Buddy

Bushnell Elementary students recently met their new classmate- Clifford (The Big Red Reading Dog).

Bushnell first-graders collected "Pennies for Jenny" to help pay for Clifford.


The fund-raiser was done in memory of Jennifer Roberson, who died along with her two sisters in a Thanksgiving morning car accident in 1996.

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Illegal tree cuttings increasing along state highways

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is facing an increased onslaught on its rights-of-way along state highways with more illegal tree cuttings taking place. The department estimates damages at more than half a million dollars annually.

"The trees, shrubs and other plant life alongside our roadways not only makes traveling through Michigan more pleasant, it also prevents erosion and other environmental problems that can plague a roadway," said state Transportation Director James R. DeSana. "The visible damage of trees being clear-cut along our highways is upsetting. But in addition, the resulting consequences can be very damaging and expensive."

Illegal cuttings occur about seven times per year in each of MDOT's seven regions. The average loss in trees and plants is \$5,000 per occurrence. A recent illegal cutting along I-96 in Grand Rapids caused an estimated \$31,000 in damage. The highest recorded damage for one incident, which was approximately \$40,000, occurred along I-94 in Washtenaw County.

"The worst areas are urban, but it's less an issue of where it's occurring than why it's occurring," said Todd Neiss, Grand Region resource analyst. "The worst offenders are primarily property owners involved with billboards, car dealerships and hotels. MDOT has policies and guidelines regarding when, where and how much vegetation can be cut from our rights of way. Unfortunately, people often don't seek a permit or ignore the limits of a permit and we end up with a substantial amount of damage."

When the culprit is determined, MDOT will pursue them for monetary damages or replacement plants. Additional permits also are denied to anyone still involved with mitigating an illegal tree cutting with the state.

Additional problems arise after the cuttings. Loss of vegetation can lead to soil erosion or a build up of silt in drainage ditches, which leads to problems underneath a roadway. In addition, tree cutters often use chippers to grind up the trees they are cutting. When they leave the piles of chips behind, as is often the case, the vegetation underneath is smothered, leading to more damage.

"Most illegal cuttings occur on nights and weekends," Neiss said. "MDOT strongly encourages travelers to report any suspicious activity to their local MDOT office or police agency."

Farm Bureau Insurance to mail refunds July 1

Farm Bureau Insurance, one of the state's largest auto insurers, will mail refund checks totaling more than \$46 million to its auto policyholders on July 1.

"We are refunding \$180 for each vehicle that was insured with us on March 18, 1998," said Luke Schafer, public relations manager for Farm Bureau Insurance. "All our checks will be mailed on the same day, July 1, so our customers can expect to have their checks in hand by the first few days of July."

The refunds are part of a \$1.2 billion surplus that was

returned to Michigan insurance companies by the Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association (MCCA).

According to Schafer, the refund applies to a variety of vehicles insured by Farm Bureau Insurance, including antique cars and seasonal farm trucks.

"Any vehicle that had a coverage in force with us on March 18, 1998, qualifies for the refund," Schafer said. "This applies to cars, trucks, motorcycles, motor homes, antique vehicles, and commercial vehicles."

Gerard deserving recipient of Wilcox award

By J.N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer

When Doctor Donald Gerard saw his children file into the Lowell Area Schools Board of Education meeting room last Monday night, he knew something was up.

"Some of them came from Holland and Zeeland and I knew that they wouldn't drive

in Lowell athletics," said board president Pete Gustafson, in his speech about the many contributions Gerard has given not only to the school district, but the Lowell community.

Besides his 35 years as the Lowell football team physician, which earned him honorary status in the Michigan

ally think about himself. Gerard was nominated by Lowell schools' athletic di-

it is "something anybody should do." Gustafson said a plaque

It is the hope of the district to continue recognizing people like Wilcox and Gerard, who give so much and ask for so little in return.

Pete Gustafson
Lowell School Board President



Marsha Wilcox, left, presented Donald Gerard with the Marsha Wilcox Award. Gerard's wife, Donna, looks on.

all that way for just a board meeting," Gerard said.

In a way, they did drive all that distance for a school board meeting, because their father, Gerard, was honored with the Marsha Wilcox Community Service Award. He becomes the second person in the district to earn the honor, the first being Marsha Wilcox, whom the award is named after.

"Gerard has been a fix-

High School Coaches Association in 1988. Gerard has served as a Lowell school board member, from 1963-1972, a leader in the Lowell Baptist Church, and chairman of the Look Committee.

He also has helped with the ninth-grade and JV football squads.

"When I looked at the agenda, I saw somebody was getting an award," Gerard said, adding that he didn't re-

recognizing Gerard's work will be hung in the board room next to Wilcox's. "It is the hope of the district to continue recognizing people like Wilcox and Gerard, who give so much and ask for so little in return," Gustafson concluded.

Gerard is still active with the athletic program and, in fact, just completed physicals for some of the athletes set to play this fall on teams.

As for all of his service work, Gerard said he believes

AREA BIRTHS

Phillip and Christine Beachler are proud to announce the birth of their son, Matthew James Beachler. He was born Friday, June 12, 1998 at 11:15 p.m. weighing 7 lbs. 3 oz. and measuring 21 inches long. His big sister Kortney welcomes him home.

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—Groucho Marx

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Lowell YMCA prepares for its fourth basketball tourney

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

In basketball terms, the Showboat City 3-on-3 HOOPS tournament is a three-point play.

Its annual proceeds from the two-day tournament help offset program, supply and scholarship costs.

The YMCA runs roughly 75 youth programs each year. This does not include child care.

Supplies for those programs cost the YMCA \$12,000.

There are 275 children recognized with YMCA scholarships at a cost of \$8,000.

In each of its first three years of coordinating the event, the YMCA has realized profits of \$3-\$5,000, making it a valuable venture.

"Our goal for the tournament is to provide fun and competition for the players

and to raise money for the YMCA," said Lowell YMCA executive director Andy Johnson.

In each year the YMCA has run the tournament, it has had 50-60 teams compete; that is approximately 250 players.

The 1998 tournament is scheduled for Friday, June 26 and Saturday, June 27. It will be carried over to Sunday, June 28 only if necessary.

"The last couple of years we've finished on Saturday," Johnson said. "It just depends on the weather."

A change in the format of the tournament may be made without any reference to the weather.

"We're considering changing from a double-elimination to a round-robin tournament," Johnson explains.

The change would guarantee that each team play at least three games and, in some

cases, possibly five.

More importantly, it would set up a full schedule for the whole weekend. "Each team would know going in when they play," Johnson said.

This year, the tournament will again ask to see birth

certificates to verify ages of participants; however, they can be shown prior to the day of the event.

While it doesn't affect the play on the court, there has also been a change in the title sponsor.

This year, Michigan Wire Processing Inc. will wear that hat, a title previously worn by Family Fare which quit as the event's title sponsor.

Lowell Granite will replace Michigan Wire as one of two corporate sponsors,

joining King Milling.

A free (for all registered participants) three-point shootout will be held on Friday night (June 26).

For further information, call the Lowell YMCA at 897-8445.

Buhler recognized with LAAC Harper Scholarship

The Lowell Area Arts Council is pleased to announce that the recipient of the annual Louise Harper Memorial Scholarship is Gena Buhler of Belding.

Buhler, who attended Lowell Area Schools through 11th grade, chose to pursue her career in dance at the Interlochen Center for the Arts in Interlochen, Michigan, where she received her high school diploma this spring. While at Interlochen, she participated in a variety of dance ensembles, both as a member of the corps and a soloist. Her academic achievements earned her a place on the dean's list.

While an honor roll student at Lowell High School, Buhler was active in several dance companies, including the School of the Grand Rapids Ballet, Tap, Inc., Company Dance Traverse, Retter's Dance Center as a member of the Senior Company and Dance Unlimited European Tour 1994. She attended the Ada Dance Academy where she also

taught tap, jazz, modern and character dance for 2 1/2 years. She has choreographed several musical plays, including *Anything Goes* for the Forest Hills Northern drama department and *Little Mary Sunshine* for the Lowell High School drama department. In her spare time she gives private tap lessons.

Buhler plans to attend the University of Michigan, majoring in dance. She hopes to perform with a regional or national company in musical theater and would also enjoy choreographing or teaching. "After my performance career, I wish to inspire the younger generation of dancers with the serenity and beauty of dance."

The Louise Harper Memorial Scholarship is awarded annually by the Lowell Area Arts Council in memory of Harper, who was an active and ardent supporter of the arts in the Lowell area until her death of cancer in 1984. The \$250 award is for the 1998-99 academic year.

Lowell board approves 1998-99 school budget

J.N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer

With little fanfare, the Lowell Area Schools Board of Education set its 1998-99 school budget last week.

Under state guidelines, all public schools in Michigan must have budgets for the following school year in place by July 1, despite the fact that many factors, such as state aid grants, have yet to be determined.

Based on past experience, school officials can make educated guesses as to what to expect for the upcoming year. They also realize that budgets can be amended during the school year to better reflect the financial situation of the district, which financial administrator Connie Gillette said will happen with Lowell's 1998-99 budget. Already the district will have to make an adjustment in the food service program since the board approved a new contract with the food service employees which was slightly higher than anticipated.

Lowell schools are expecting \$23,605,700 in revenues with the largest portion, \$17,894,185, coming from state aid grants. A combination of property taxes, interest earnings, federal sources, interdistrict sources, and other local revenue sources make up the rest of the district's interest.

The district is predicting it will spend \$22,072,772. The largest portion of the expenditures is basic program costs, coming in at about \$10,807,944. Other expenses topping the one million dollar mark include operation and maintenance,

\$2,273,243; added needs, \$2,357,517; public transportation, \$1,428,888; school administration, \$1,344,179; and public services, \$1,058,720.

At the June 8 meeting, the board also approved the food service fund, with a revenue of \$889,899 and a projected expenditure of \$841,305; and the athletic fund with a revenue of \$424,999 and a projected expenditure of \$415,114. Also on

the board's agenda was approval of debt funds for 1971 and 1990.

The district's first official meeting for the 1998-99 school year will be July 13. This is when the district will swear in Pete Gustafson for another four years on the board and newcomer Pat Nugent for a four-year term.

Library host to 'The Grasshopper and the Ant'

An industrious ant teaches a happy-go-lucky grasshopper an important lesson in the wonderful Aesop's fable, "The Grasshopper and the Ant" performed by the Kent District Library Puppeteers this summer. This show will be performed at all 17 KDL branches, and all ages are welcome. Adults should accompany children under the age of 5.

The show is based on the tale about the grasshopper that would rather sing and play all day than get ready for winter. Enter an ant that warns the grasshopper to prepare...a warning he chooses to ignore. Will the ant help the grasshopper when the days grow cold and the winter snow begins to fall? Filled with humor, songs, and audience participation, this puppet show guarantees a good time for all.

Maggie McDaniel and Diane Forbes, two KDL staff

members (also known as the KDL Puppeteers), have been performing puppet shows for summer reading club since 1994.

"The Grasshopper and the Ant" is offered in conjunction with the Kent District Library's Catch the Reading Bug, Summer Reading Club. The Summer Reading Club has a theme relating to insects, in conjunction with the traveling exhibit, Backyard Monsters: The World of Insects at the Public Museum of Grand Rapids. Children of all ages (and adults) may register at any Kent District Library for the Summer Reading Club between June 15 and August 15.

The Englehardt Branch Library will be hosting the puppet show on Monday, June 22, at 6:30 p.m. The Alto Branch will be hosting the show on Tuesday, June 30, at 2:00 p.m.

For more information about "The Grasshopper and the Ant" call the Kent District Library at 336-3250. To register call Englehardt Library at 897-9596 or the Alto Library at 868-6038.

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Pasquale said the idea behind the e-mail address is to provide another direct ac-

cess to residents who need or want to contact City Hall staff.

Pasquale said he hopes to also get the e-mail addresses of all the city council members so as to keep them up-to-date on information or answer their questions, as well.

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MOTIONS APPROVED:

MOTION to approve the agenda as amended.

Motion to approve the consent agenda as amended.

MOTION to move appointments to public safety to #5 under "New Business."

MOTION not to proceed with Murrayview Paving Project until better, more complete support.

MOTION to approve a resolution for approval of contract changes #1-6. On new Township Hall/Community Center.

MOTION to accept bid from Central Interconnect, Inc. to move phone systems and install cable and data systems.

MOTION not to approve change orders for Custer Office. Environments to install systems per bid specifications.

MOTION to approve resolution that the Grattan Township Board supports the preservation of a natural undisturbed shoreline around McCarthy Lake and urges the applicant to find alternate methods of lake access.

MOTION to approve December legislative conference P.O. for three township officials.

MOTION to approve purchase of Gateway computer and printer for \$3,275.

MOTION to approve T&W Electronics bid for portable radios for \$2,088 for the fire department.

MOTION to approve payment to Kentwood Excavating.

MOTION to approve a resolution to clean out a drain known as the Parnell Drain.

MOTION to reappoint Lou Kirkbride for a second term to the Public Safety Com. and extend the term of Linda Nugent until Joe Anderson can return to duty.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:50.

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Lowell superintendent begins to restructure roles of administrative staff

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

With projected deficit spending for the 1998-99 school year somewhere between \$300-\$400,000, Lowell superintendent Bert Bleke knew something had to be done.

Earlier this year, Bleke announced that the contracts of Louie Dudeck, Bushnell principal, and Susan Lockwood, school community outreach coordinat, would not be renewed for the 1998-99 school year, saving the school district roughly \$135,000.

Since then, Dick Korb has announced he will be leaving the school district for a superintendent's position in Ipswich, Massachusetts.

"We will not refill that position," Bleke explained. "The school district will restructure its administrative staff members in the personnel and finance offices."

Connie Gillette, school finance director, will now be responsible for leadership of personnel and finance. Bleke, Jim White, director of curriculum and instruction, and Pam Thomas, co-director of educational support services department will also pick up some of the responsibilities previously held by Korb.

Originally, Bleke had planned to add the principalship of Bushnell Elementary to White's current administrative role. That has changed. "We will fill that position from within the building," Bleke explained. "The district will use the reduction of central office administration to its advantage by streamlining and becoming more efficient."

If these moves had not been made, Bleke says the deficit spending numbers for the 1998-99 school year could be even more discouraging.

There may be a silver financial lining. There is a chance school districts could get more money per student as opposed to the no increase in student funding as promised by the state.

"If Lowell gets more money per student, then the deficit spending could be as little as \$109,000," Bleke said.

The district will make up the difference through its \$2 million fund equity.

"Even if we don't see an increase in state funding, I think we've done a good job of tightening our belt," Bleke said. "Connie Gillette and the people in the finance department have done a good job. The auditors have also said that."

Lowell Charter Township discusses water rate hike

By Amy Briggs
Contributing Writer

Psst! There is talk of a water rate increase in Lowell Charter Township for the 1998-99 fiscal year!

At the township's regular board meeting June 15, the details were vague. "We're not discussing the increase at length at this time; it's still being reviewed," reported township supervisor John Timpson. In fact, the topic was "tabled" till more information becomes available.

What is known, however, is that standard water service has a projected increase of 28 cents per thousand gallons in next year's figures. The township engineer, Gary Voegt of Moore & Bruggink in Grand Rapids, was said to be evaluating the change in numbers in water service.

"A few things have been added into the water equation and our engineer will confirm whether we concur with them," stated Timpson.

The topic of the water rate increase will be further explored at the board's next meeting in July.

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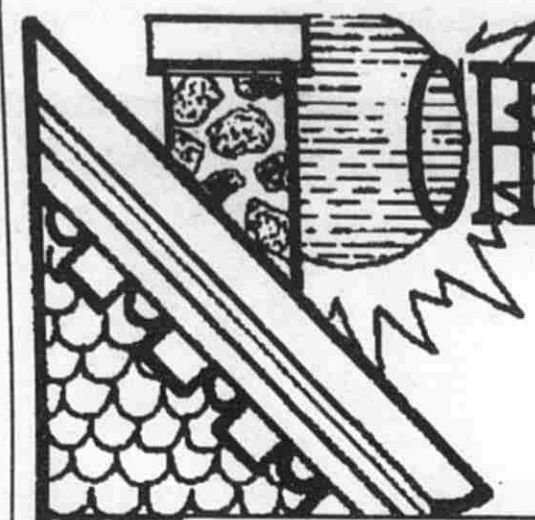
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Posted 6/15/98

MONDAY NIGHT COED CHURCH	W	L
Corona	5	0
Ogden	3	1
Alto Baptist	3	2
Lowell Church of Nazarene	2	2
1st Congregational Church	1	3
Bowne Center United Methodist	1	3
1st United Methodist	0	4

TUESDAY NIGHT Over 30 MEN'S	W	L
Germaines/Saranac Dental	5	1
Alto LP Gas	3	2
Larkins	3	2
Sneaker's	0	6

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEN'S	W	L
Architectural Specialties	6	1
King Milling	6	1
Ball Busters	3	4
Valley City Linen	2	5
Lowell Engineering	1	7

FRIDAY NIGHT MEN'S	W	L
River City Fire Protection	4	0
Ostrandres Siding & Roofing	4	1
Driftway/Warner Trucking	4	1
Ada Beef	3	2
Overbeck Construction	2	2
Col.-Mel.	2	2
Thomet Stables	2	3
Lowell Moose	1	4
Church of Nazarene	1	4
Alpha II	0	4



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7-FAMILY YARD SALE

Sat., June 20, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Corner lot of Lowell United Methodist Church (Jackson & Main). Many good deals on used videos, boy's bike, baby things, maternity clothes, clothes for whole family, dishes & much, much more!

HUGE SALE

exercise equip., king size feather bed, name brand clothing, antiques. June 19 & 20, 218 Marsac, off Monroe in Lowell

MOVING SALE

18, 19 & 20, 10566 Bell Rd., Clarksville. Lots of everything! W. of Clarksville on Bell Rd., N. of M-50 on Bell Rd.

YARD SALE

Fri., June 19. Lots of things & stuff. 9 a.m. till 5. 780 Bowes Rd.

ESTATE SALE

13961 76th St., Alto. Mon., June 15, 8:30-5 & Tues., June 16, 9-3 p.m. Antique beds, stack bookcase, nice pot bellied stove, couch, chairs, glassware, candle-wick, crackle glass, old farm toys, large copper kettle, garage items. No early sales M-50 S. to 64th, E. to Pratt Lake, S. to 76th. Sale by J&B.

GARAGE SALE

One day only! Friday, June 19. Kids clothes, toys, misc. household items. 1267 Sibley Street, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

GARAGE SALE

Huffy baby jogger, Little Tikes items, lots of kids items, 8 ft. truck topper, much more. Thurs., June 18, 9-5 p.m. & Fri., June 19, 9-5 p.m. 12620 Grand River Dr., Lowell.

GARAGE SALE

College kids home: stuff must go! June 19 & 20, 9 to 4, 10980 - 36th, southside between Hilton & Timpson.

YARD SALE

216 Riverside, June 18, 19, 9-5; Sat., June 20, 9-12. Ladies clothes sz. 10-12, maternity, 17"x19" sink w/base, men's new skis, sz. 10 wedding dress.

GARAGE SALE

Nice quality infant girls clothing, some boys, girls & adult also. Newly retired Beanies & Peace (\$12-\$25) bassinet, exersaucer, toys, tools & misc. 6920 Morse Lake, Alto (S. of 68th St.) Thurs. & Fri., June 18 & 19, 9-6 p.m.

ESTATE SALE

table & chairs, bedroom sets, baby items, some antiques & many, many more items. Fri., Sat., & Sun, June 19, 20 & 21 or until gone. 14320 E. Fulton, 1 mile E. of Lowell at the Grandma's sign.

HUGE SALE

11000 Cascade, 1 mile W. of Alden Nash. Lots of everything for everyone. Thurs. & Fri., June 18 & 19, 8:30-6 p.m.

GARAGE SALE

Thurs. & Fri., June 18 & 19, 9 - 5 p.m. Children's clothing, infant to size 14, Little Tikes toys, household items, dog run, Steelcase desk, baby items & much more. 93 Flat River Dr.

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YARD SALE

men's, womens & girls clothes (4T & up), Barbie house & lots of other toys & many misc. items. 413 N. Monroe, Fri., 9-6 & Sat. 8-5 p.m.

YARD SALE

1 day only! June 18 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Ethan Allen rocker, wooden portable crib, children's clothes & lots of other great items, 3940 Segwun, Lowell.

GARAGE SALE

Clothes, furniture, tools, dishes, misc. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Everything must go! Mon, Tues & Wed., June 15, 16 & 17. 4861 Montcalm SE, Lowell.

MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE!

Thursday only, June 18, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Lincoln Lake N. to Bailey, to Alden Nash. 1/2 mile W. of Alden Nash on McPherson Road. Children & adult clothing, Little Tikes, toys & a variety of household treasures!

GARAGE SALE

Thurs. & Fri., June 18 & 19, 9-6 p.m. 6164 Timpson Ave, Alto. Microwave stand, stove, refrigerator, car seat, light fixtures, hide-a-bed, headers/mufflers (brand new), 1979 Polaris snowmobile (needs work), good clean clothing, infant-adult & lots more.

5-FAMILY GARAGE SALE

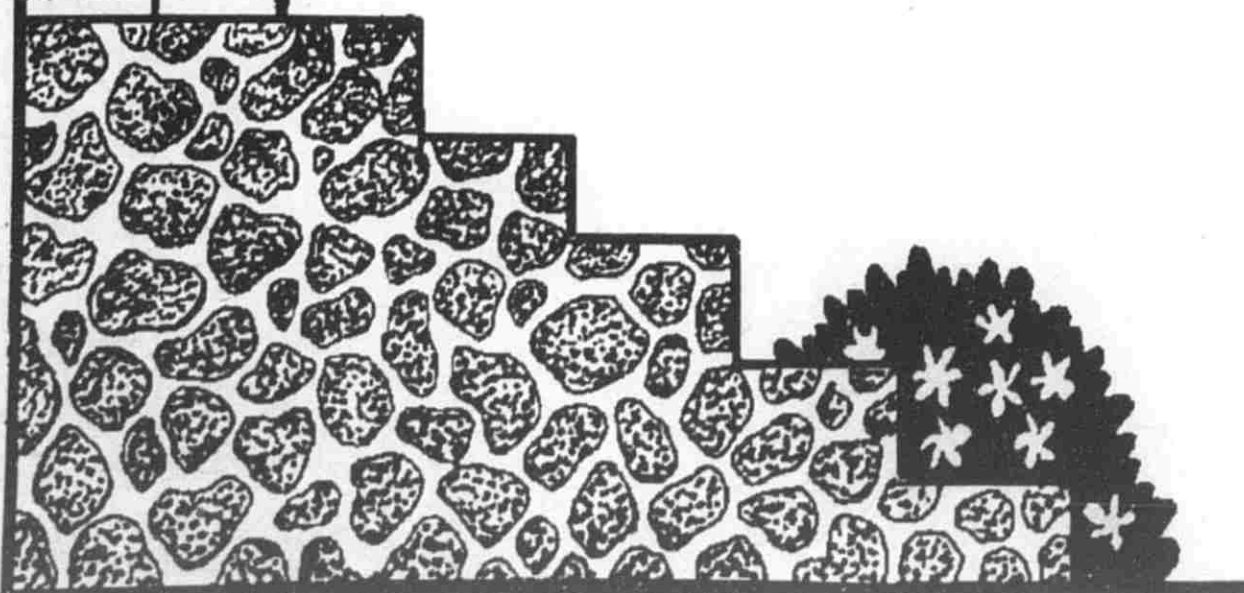
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Schreur disputes Vergennes Township's demand for an easement application

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Property owned by Bill Schreur Jr. is currently in an open space development rights easement.

He wants a designated open development rights easement with historic sites, natural rivers and shoreland.

The difference between the two is that in the latter one, the state pays the difference in taxes between the undeveloped assessment and what it would be when developed.

That switch will have to wait until the two sides can settle whether Schreur needs to provide the township with an application.

The resident at 538 Flat River Dr. told the Vergennes Township Board that according to the state an application isn't necessary.

Vergennes Township interim supervisor Marsha Wilcox said as the local unit of government, it can set its own conditions. "The township would like an application for its records," Wilcox explained.

Schreur said he will take his marching orders from the state. "I am following what the state (Rich Harlow, unit chief of farm land and open space preservation real estate division) tells me. They are the professionals."

In a letter to the township, Harlow explained that the state was willing to convert the open space development rights easement to the designated open development rights easement. "The applications for both easements are one in the same."

Harlow needs the township's approval to do so. Approval for the switch is contingent on receiving an application from Schreur.

Wilcox says a signed agreement, with an application and the minutes from the May 18th township board meeting, need to be sent to the state before the switch to the new easement can be made.

Schreur also questioned if the township board could amend the minutes to the May 18 meeting to include that an application is needed, if it was not stated at that meeting.

Schreur said if Harlow tells him he needs an application, he will fill one out.

Until a settlement is reached, the switch from one easement to another is on hold.

Richard Petty won the Daytona 500 seven times between 1964 and 1981.

CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Lowell Planning Commission - Citizen Advisory committee will conduct public hearings at their regularly scheduled meeting of Monday, June 22, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. at the City Hall for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on the following requests:

1. Michael Nosko petitioned to rezone a portion of the southeast corner of Sibley and Ridgeview on parcel 41-20-03-401-016. It is requested that the westerly portion of the property that is zoned R-2 (Two Family Residential) be rezoned to R-3 (Multiple Family Residential).
2. To consider releasing a portion of Recreation Park from park designation in the City Master Plan.

Interested persons may submit written comments or appear in person at City Hall, 301 E. Main, Lowell, MI 49331.

Betty R. Morlock
Deputy City Clerk
616-897-8457