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## Flat River Outreach Ministries purchases access to old Baptist Church

*The whole community can come in and shop for good used clothing. Money from the sale of clothes will be used to help families in need and maintain ministry.*

**Roger LaWarre**  
Interim Board of Directors Chairman

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Possibly as soon as December, Flat River Outreach Ministries Thrift Shop will expand into its new 5,000 square foot home at 519 E. Main St.

The purchase of the old Baptist Church will enable Flat River Outreach Ministries to not only expand its space but enlarge its stock of food and emergency supplies.

The building was purchased for \$25,000 from Norm Borgerson and Judy Straub. Flat River Outreach Ministries will pay \$5,000 a year over the next five years.

Earlier this year, the Lowell Rotary Club, through its annual auction, raised a little over \$14,000 toward the purchase and restoring of the building.

In June, Flat River Outreach Ministries learned that it would receive \$30,000 this year and \$20,000 next year from the Englehardt Lowell Area Community Fund toward the building's repair and upgrade.

Roger LaWarre, interim board of directors chairman, said the funds are seed money for a project which, when completed, will cost approximately \$100,000-\$120,000.

LaWarre said he believes cost can be reduced through the involvement of certain sectors of the community. "With the voluntary services of organizations and professionals within the community, we're hopeful of reducing that cost," he said.

The old Baptist Church was chosen because it is centrally located to Lowell and the community.

The building, in dire need of maintenance, is something Flat River Outreach Ministries' coordinators think can be



First Congregational Church pastor Roger LaWarre identifies areas of the old Baptist Church in need of repair.

turned around and made into something the community can be proud of.

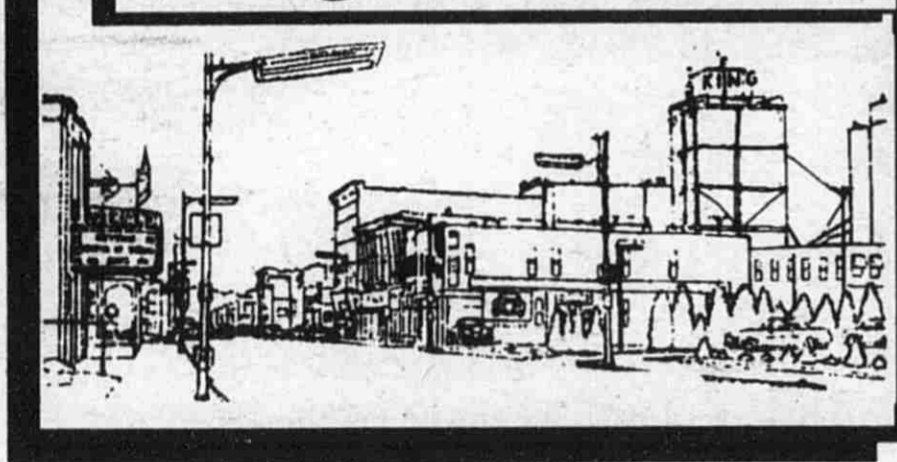
"With a lot of energy and sweat, the building can be brought up to code and have its beauty returned. It will be a sharp

building," LaWarre explained.

Flat River Outreach Ministries will continue to coordinate its food pantry with ACCESS 6.

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### Along Main Street



#### NEW LOWELL YMCA OFFICE HOURS

Effective Tues., Sept. 1 the Lowell branch YMCA will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Thursday and Fridays 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The office will *not* be closed during the lunch hour.

#### LACC RIVERWALK PARADE

The Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce is accepting entries for the 2nd annual Riverwalk theme parade. We would like to see many yellow and orange colors and your rendition of DUCKS! Everyone is welcome to participate. Call Liz at 897-9161 to sign up.

#### YMCA KIDDY GYM CLASSES BEING OFFERED

The Lowell YMCA still has openings in its Kiddy Gym classes for boys and girls ages 3-5 years for the fall session. Classes will be taught by Michelle DeHaan, Lowell high school gymnastics team coach. Classes will be held Tuesday afternoons and will start Sept. 8. For further information call 897-8445.

#### MINI-KICKERS SOCCER PROGRAM

The Lowell YMCA mini-kickers program is being offered to boys and girls ages 3-5 years of age. This instructional

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## Riverwalk Festival fanfare Saturday

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

A team of mules won't be able to pull patrons of the fourth annual Riverwalk Festival away, but it will be able to give rides through downtown Lowell.

The Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce-sponsored event is bringing 25 artists and craftsmen, and 10 food vendors to the Riverwalk Festival on Saturday, Sept. 5. The festival begins at 10 a.m.

Artisans will offer top end art and traditional crafts for sale. Among these booths are several nonprofit groups, offering their wares for sale or display.

Children will be able to enjoy a four-mule team wagon ride free of charge. There will be a minimal charge for adults.

The popular "Duck Race" is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. on the Flat River. This year, along with the first place prize of \$500, additional prizes donated by area businesses will be given away.

The traditional Pig Roast begins serving at noon and will continue until the food is



gone. Huntington Banks will again donate the hams.

LACC's Liz Baker said 25 percent of the proceeds from the pig roast will be donated to the Flat River Ministries and earmarked for the Lowell High School baccalaureate.

"The local churches have always donated their time and services to us," Baker said. "This is a way for the Chamber to give something back."

The festival serves as a major fundraiser for the Chamber. The monies raised through this event help sup-

port the Chamber office and a person to staff it.

Last year, a little over \$4,600 was raised. Baker said this year's goal is to surpass the \$5,000 mark.

"Eventually our goal is to see this turn into a community event in partnership with the Chamber," Baker explained.

This year, the parade will have a new twist with the theme of ducks. The colors of yellow and orange are expected to add to the day's festive mood. The Riverwalk parade will start at 11 a.m. featuring the Riverwalk Duck and Lowell High & Middle school marching bands.

Other attractions highlighted at this year's festival are:

- A dance featuring the music of the Hit & Run Band and the Bluez Brothers (7 p.m. til 11 p.m.).

- Showboat tours (noon - 5 p.m.).

- Face Painting.

Entertainment which will be featured on the Riverwalk from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. are 5 Times Faster (10 a.m.); Christy Ennis (11:30 a.m.); Prodigal Sons (12:15 p.m.); Modern Music Dancers (1p.m.); Ron Carney with karaoke & dance music (2 p.m.); and Christian, rock & pop musicians (3 p.m.).

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Nears Finish,  
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## OBITUARIES

**REIFFER** - Marjorie R. Reiffer, aged 47, of Grandville, passed away at her home Friday, August 28, 1998. Surviving are her husband Gary Reiffer; her children Amy Marie Reiffer, Laura Joy Reiffer, Julie Ann Reiffer all at home; her parents Raymond and Joyce Sietsema of Grand Rapids; brothers and sisters Perry (Pat) Sietsema of Grand Rapids, Carl (Pam) Sietsema of Hudsonville, Donna (Craig) Burgess of Jenison, Nancy

(Robert) Wieberdink of Lowell; brothers-in-law Raymond Reiffer, Randy Reiffer; many nieces and nephews. Funeral and Committal Services for Marjorie were held on Monday at the Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Jenison, with Rev. David J. Weber officiating. Interment Georgetown Township Cemetery. Those who wish may make memorial contributions to Visiting Nurse Hospice.

**SCHARASWAK** - James L.

Scharaswak, aged 68, of Six Lakes, went to be with his Lord, Tuesday, Aug. 25, 1998. He was preceded in death by his wife Delores. Mr. Scharaswak is survived by his wife of 33 years Barbara; children Steve and Jill Loveless of Greenville, James and Linnea Scharaswak of Crystal, John and Carla Scharaswak of Stanton, Bill and Terry Scharaswak of Vestaburg, Tony and Kellie Scharaswak of Six Lakes, Dawn Campbell of Saranac, Mary and James Weiss of Rockwell City, IA, Paula and Mike Fethkenher of Dallas, Valerie and Bruce Peterson of Sac City, IA; brother Elmer (Martha) Scharaswak of Belding; sister Ruth (Ken)

Badder of Ionia; 13 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. He founded, owned and operated J. B. & Sons Buffing & Polishing, Inc. of Six Lakes. Funeral Services were held Friday at Roth-Gerst Chapel, Rev. Robert Holmes of Christian Life Center officiating. Interment Tuttle Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Michigan in Big Rapids, 400 Perry St., Big Rapids, MI 49307. Arrangements by Roth-Gerst of Lowell.

**WITTENBACH** - Paul Christian Wittenbach, aged 96, of Saranac, passed away Saturday, August 29, 1998. He was preceded in death by

his wife Mildred and several sisters and brothers. He is survived by his daughter Mary Wittenbach; his sister Freda Armstrong; brothers Mike (Lee) Wittenbach and Steve (June) Wittenbach; sister-in-law Annabelle Wittenbach; many nieces and nephews. Funeral Services will be held Wednesday (today) at 1:30 p.m. at First United Method-

ist Church, Rev. Gordon Barry officiating. Interment Oakwood Cemetery. The family will meet friends Wednesday from 12:30 to 1:30 at the church. Memorial contributions may be made to First United Methodist Church of Lowell, 621 E. Main St., Lowell, MI 49331. Arrangements by Roth-Gerst of Lowell.

## COLLEGE NEWS



Jennifer Idema

She is the daughter of Peggy Idema and the late Steve Idema. She now resides in Atlanta, GA where she is teaching sixth grade at the Oak Grove Elementary School.

Jennifer Leigh Idema, formerly of Lowell, graduated with honors from the University of Michigan's School of Education on May 2, 1998.



Week of 9/7 - 9/11

### ELEMENTARY

**MON:** LABOR DAY, NO SCHOOL

**TUES:** Lowell Red Arrow Sub, side salad or baby carrots, oranges or canned fruit, milk.

**WED:** Chicken nuggets, cheese potatoes, homemade dinner roll w/peanut butter, fruit selection, milk.

**THUR:** Pizza pocket, tater tots, assorted fruit, milk.

**FRI:** Breakfast for Lunch. 3 French toast sticks, scrambled eggs, orange juice, warm cinnamon apple slices or fresh fruit, milk.

### MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOLS

**MON:** LABOR DAY, NO SCHOOL

**TUES:** Lowell Red Arrow sub, chix fajita, cheeseburger, chef salad, yogurt; choose 2: veg. soup w/crackers, deli dill half, side salad; oranges or canned fruit, milk.

**WED:** Chicken fryz, cheeseburger, chef salad, yogurt; choose 2: cheese potatoes, peas or side salad; dinner roll, gelatin or fruit, milk.

**THURS:** Pizza pocket, turkey croissant, chef salad, cheeseburger, yogurt; choose 2: oven fries, side salad or baby carrots; assorted fruit, milk.

**FRI:** Breakfast for Lunch. 2 French toast, 2 pancakes w/syrup, scrambled eggs, yogurt, cheeseburger or chef salad, chicken patty; choose 2: hash browns, juice or side salad; warm cinnamon apples, milk.

## Fallasburg Fall Festival to stretch over into historic village

••• Artists, blacksmiths, homemade ice cream, dowsing lessons and tours of the historic buildings will await Festival patrons at Fallasburg.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

It's a replica of its 1850 original.

"It's our new, old Misner house," said Fallasburg Historical Society (FHS) president Priscilla Lusmyer.

The newly constructed replica will be one of several attractions during Fallasburg Fall Festival weekend (Sept. 26-27).

Through the cooperative effort of FHS and the Lowell Area Arts Council, Fallasburg Fall Festival will extend into historic Fallasburg.

"We're going to have a few extra activities in historic Fallasburg," Lusmyer explained. "There are always a number of people who come over here from the festival each year."

This year, patrons will be

treated to artists, blacksmiths, homemade ice cream, dowsing lessons and tours of the historical buildings.

The old Misner house was torn down in February of 1997. After a nine-month construction period, the new Misner home was opened in June of this year. The construction cost was \$90,000.

It was paid for through a \$50,000 grant from the Kent County Hotel-Motel Tax and the Fallasburg Historical Society's fundraising efforts. "We raised nearly half of the amount needed," Lusmyer explained.

The next project is mov-

ing the Waterville mill in Saranac to the spot in Fallasburg where its original grist mill stood.

Fallasburg Historical Society bought the Waterville mill a few years ago. Lusmyer says it will cost about \$300,000 to have the mill moved to historic Fallasburg and restored.

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A fanatic is one who can't change his mind and won't change the subject.  
—Winston Churchill  
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## CITY COUNCIL CITY OF LOWELL KENT COUNTY, MICHIGAN

The adoption of the following Ordinance was moved by Councilmember Green, seconded by Councilmember Shores:

ORDINANCE NO. 98-9  
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONE MAP OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LOWELL

THE CITY OF LOWELL ORDAINS:

1. That the "Official Zoning Map" as referenced in Section 3.02 of Chapter 3 of the Zoning Ordinance of the cCode of Ordinances of the City of Lowell is amended to change the zone district classification of real property located at 1395 Bowes Road legally described from C-3 General Business District to LI Light Industrial District

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2. This ordinance shall take effect ten (10) days after its publication in the Lowell Ledger, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Lowell.  
YEA: Councilmembers Green, Blough, Myers, Shores and Mayor Thompson  
NAYS: Councilmembers none.  
ABSENT: Councilmembers none.

ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED.  
David M. Pasquale, City Clerk

I, David M. Pasquale, City Clerk of the City of Lowell, do hereby certify this Ordinance was adopted by a majority vote of the members elect of the Lowell City Council at a regular meeting held on September 2, 1998 and that the Ordinance was published in the Lowell Ledger on September 12, 1998.


David M. Pasquale, City Clerk

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## FLAT RIVER SNOWMOBILE CLUB RAFFLE



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# Reflections

Of Faith

By Dr. Roger LaWarre,  
First Congregational Church  
of Lowell

The story is told by William Willmon in his book *The Gospel for the Person Who Has Everything of a Little Tribe of Indians* who lived long ago in Mississippi. The tribe lived near a swift river, a river in which the current was so strong and deadly that no person could cross without being swept down-stream and drowned.

Indians were soon fighting with their backs to the river. They couldn't move anywhere except into the swift river. They knew that their only hope was to try to cross. So they gathered the youngest and oldest members of their tribe. The strong ones placed the weaker ones on their shoulders, and they risked wading into the river. Amazingly, the weight of their fellow tribes people on their shoulders kept them from losing their footing, and they were able to cross the swift stream and escape without harm.

It seems to me that this story is a window through which you and I can view discipleship and the way we live our lives. In a real way, we are disciples of anything and anyone who is central to our existence. The swift stream of life threatens to do us in and so we do whatever is necessary to manage our life so that we can protect what is important to us, what we have worked for and that which brings us satisfaction, pleasure and status. Moving against the current is difficult and life threatening for most of us. We have become a generation of people who measure the importance of people and things based on our personal desires and satisfactions. Like that little tribe of Indians, we do not want to face the strong current of change for fear it will destroy us.

Yet, when we read the scripture concerning the cost of discipleship, we read in Luke 14, beginning at the 25th

verse: "Now large crowds were traveling with him (Jesus), and he turned and said to them, 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple.'" (25-26) Here, the word "hate" is not the passion driven feeling of malice toward another. The word translates to mean "detachment." It reminds us that the main focus of our lives can not be on self-fulfilling, self-centering relationships. The relationship with Christ Jesus is a relationship that is so engaging that it transcends and transforms all other relationships. The cost of discipleship is experienced as we realize the only way life continues to have meaning is when we are facing the current with the concern for others as primary.

As the younger, stronger Indians were willing to walk against the current to a new place, you and I are really only Christ's disciples when we are willing to shoulder the burden of another and walk with them to new ground. It means that you and I must get beyond our own selfish and self-preserving tendencies. It means that we work a little harder to be a brother or sister to others in our community. We live for more than mother or father, wife or husband, or our siblings. We live for the way of Christian love in our families and in our communities.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

SEPT. 3 - Bailey Allen.  
SEPT. 4 - Walt Dickerson, Mark Smith, Ron Merriman, Theresa Engle.  
SEPT. 5 - Barb Vezino, Kohlton Scott Clouser.

## AREA BIRTHS

Mackenzie and Sydney Fox are very happy to announce the arrival of their baby brother, Brady Jack, born August 19, 1998 at 3 a.m. He weighed a bouncing 9 lbs. 2 oz. and measured 21

## cozy corner

by Roger Brown

SEPT. 6 - Brian Haas, Mitch Mercer.  
SEPT. 7 - Mackenzie VanderWarf, Gloria Morris.  
SEPT. 8 - Wilma Fairchild.  
SEPT. 9 - Sarah Schallow, Amy Cook, Allison Mahalic, Linda Morrison, Charles Gee.

I hate to be the bearer of bad tidings, but I've got news for you. Summer is just about over. Labor Day weekend is upon us. With Labor Day on the 7th of September this year, the traditional summer-ending weekend is as late as it can be, yet it seems like this has been a blink-of-an-eye summer.

I know, I know... time passing quickly is yet another sign of getting older. However, everyone, young or old, seems to concur with me on this one. Maybe this feeling we all seem to have stems from the fact it was such a beautiful summer in terms of weather. You could actually swim in the lakes for enjoyment rather than sheer determination to do so. Unusual for Michigan.

We used to have a cottage on Silver Lake. Every year, our neighbors a few doors down would have a "What-the-Hey-It's-Labor Day" party. They'd decorate their cottage with a bunch of tropical doo-dads, everyone wore Hawaiian shirts, flower leis and straw hats. Jimmy Buffet music played loudly and endlessly on the stereo and exotic rum drinks were the preferred beverage.

It was more than just a party. A ritual, or festival, would be more appropriate, as it lasted all weekend, day and night. The proportions of the thing ebbed and flowed as people came and went. I never did grasp the significance of it all, but it did always seem like an appropriate way to say good-bye to summer for another year.

So, with the Labor Day holiday upon us, that can mean only one thing: my annual Canadian walleye fishing trip is history. My friend Groucho and I go every year the weekend before Labor Day. We take the floatplane, check in with the outfitter at a lodge near Chapleau, Ontario, then fly further back into the bush to a 16-foot by 16-foot tarpaper shack situated where two rivers come together. It's pretty near heaven on earth.

Once there, we spend four days in complete incommunicado catching, cleaning, cooking and eating walleye until it's coming out our ears. We play a lot of blood and guts cribbage and do other guy stuff like belching, passing gas, growing our beards and wearing pretty much the same clothes for the entire weekend. Like I said, heaven on earth.

This was our sixth annual and we seem to have it down to

Levi Gregory Allen Fallstrom was born on August 16, 1998. He weighed 9 lbs. 10 oz.

Proud parents are Jeff & Nettie Fallstrom.

He is welcomed home by sister Hanna, grandparents Pat and Sandy Fetterhoff and Billie and Allen Fallstrom.

Todd & Kerrie VerWys are happy to announce the birth of their son Colin Michael. He was born August 23, 1998 weighing 7 lbs. 5 oz. and measuring 20 1/2 inches long.

Also welcoming him home are his big sister Samantha & big brother James.

Proud grandparents are Sherry Werdon of Lowell, Jim & Pat Turner of Lowell, Jim and Jan VerWys of Moline, Great-grandparents Joe & Dorothy VerWys of Grand Rapids, Harry & Francis Yankey of Grand Rapids, Lucille Turner & the late Robert Turner of Grandville.

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## Cub Scout signups Sept. 8th & 9th

Signups for Lowell and Alto Cub Scout packs will be held this month.

Lowell Cub Scout Pack 3188 is holding an informational meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 8 at the Lowell United Methodist Church.

Alto Cub Scout Pack 3180 is holding their informational meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 9 at the Alto School gymnasium.

These meetings are for parents of boys in first through fifth grades who are interested in signing up for Cub Scouts.

Call 897-8751 if you cannot make these meetings or if you have any questions.

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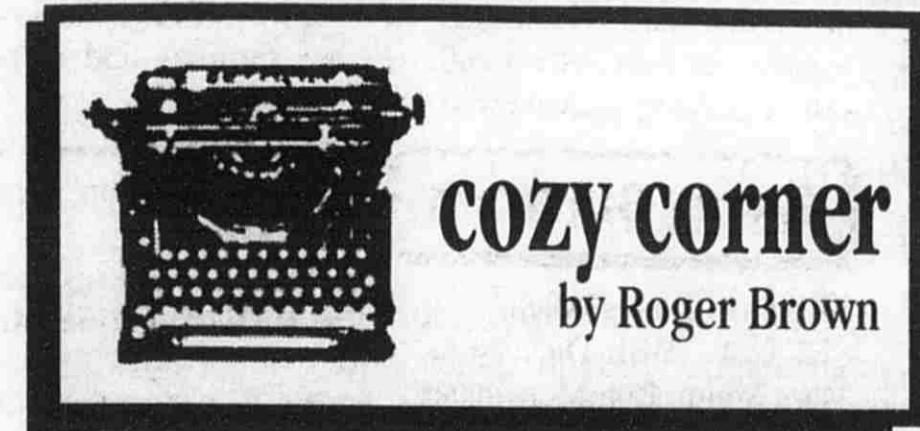
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Meghan Culver.....Music Director  
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# Viewpoint



## Ledger Entries

of 125, 100, 75, 50 & 25 Years Ago

125 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL WEEKLY JOURNAL - SEPTEMBER 3, 1873

The miracle washing machine is going door-to-door in town, doing sample washes. It performs so well that H.A. Rice, ex-pres. of the Lowell National Bank, pays \$6,500 for the Michigan and Wisconsin territories.

Elder Smith of New York will give a series of prophetic lectures at Train's Hall on the 5th, 6th and 7th.

Col. Merrill, engineer, will be building the Kalamazoo, Lowell and Northern Michigan RR through Lowell soon, on his way north.

The printer, Frank Hathaway, last week spilled type all over, liberated money from the Journal till, bought a hat on credit to the editor and took the train to Grand Rapids. The editor publishes his description.

100 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - SEPTEMBER 1, 1898

Lowell Bicycle Club had quarter-mile, half-mile and mile races last Friday.

The Ledger offers printed calling card bargains to the ladies of Lowell.

It is charged that much suffering in the recent Spanish-American war was the result of red tape holding up shipments and help.

The Alto grist mill bridge is repaired and Sam Ring's mill dam rebuilt.

Mrs. G.W. Crosby of Vergennes has added to her collection of curios an elk horn from Minnesota and whale's rib from the West Indies.

75 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL LEDGER AND ALTO SOLO - AUGUST 30, 1923

The Chautauqua of last week was appreciated, but attendance was not enough to warrant continuing the early series.

Grace Walker challenges the school board decision to not seat her, the first woman member. Her property was in her father's name; he died years before and she isn't on the taxpayer rolls. She has the change made as soon as she hears of the rule, after the election.

Gloria Swanson is playing in "Her Gilded Cage" at the Strand Theatre (4 for a dollar), and on Lowell's Dollar Day, Glenna Swanson will appear in "Her Golden Age" (7 for a dollar).

Alarmed citizens ask for military intervention as the Ku Klux Klan terrorizes people in six states, including Ohio and Indiana.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - SEPTEMBER 2, 1948

Michigan's first contingent of war babies starts to school, making the 120,000-odd kindergartners the largest class in history.

The annual Board of Trade picnic drew 500 from Lowell and surroundings, a bigger crowd than usual.

Michigan State parks will remain open after Labor Day, as long as weather and attendance holds up.

Living in the country and commuting to city jobs is possible now and desirable.

25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER-SUBURBAN LIFE - AUGUST 30, 1973

A Senior Neighbors Inc. senior citizen's center will open in Lowell soon, says County Commissioner Arnold Wittenbach. A site is needed.

The Labor Day weekend approaches, with its average 33 lives a year lost, warns the Michigan State Police.

The Strand Theatre is showing movies only on Friday-Sunday.

After a long bargaining, teachers and the school board settle a three-year contract. Starting salary is \$8,550.

The Back-To-School section is three pages. The same starting time for all students is the big change.

Dear Jonathan: A friend of mine wants to borrow \$5,000 from me. I really want to help him out but he has a poor track record with money and with taking care of his obligations. I have decided to take a chance on him but I want to make sure I protect myself. What should I do?

Jonathan Says: The best way to protect yourself is not to loan this man any money. Since you already know that he is a poor risk, that should be all that you need to know in order to

A study of economics usually reveals that the best time to buy anything is last year.

—Marty Allen

a science. I'm sure that in six years, I must have written about this excursion a time or two, so I won't bore you again with all the details. I will say that, once again, Groucho did hum and whistle the Arlo Guthrie tune, "Coming into Los Angeles," as I was filling out paperwork with the customs agent at the border. Some things never change.

The weather was absolutely perfect. The fishing was good. Our daily bets on first, biggest and most walleye ended up in pretty much a wash. The one noticeable difference was Groucho, my cribbage student, did come out ahead for the weekend. He still owes me a few bucks, albeit a few less than before the fishing trip.

All of this brings me to one little highlight of the trip. This isn't much of a story. Certainly not enough for my paltry writing skills to stretch into a column. That's why all the peripheral garbage.

It was Saturday morning. Dawn at our tarpaper Shangri-la. I was brought from the edge of sleep by a clatter and a ruckus outside. It was much more noise than a varmit would make, so my natural assumption was that Groucho was responsible. My first inclination was toward being irritated by one of his stupid pranks. My first thought was, "Now what is that @##%&# idiot up to?" If you knew Groucho, you'd know why that would be my first thought.

Only one problem... he was in his bunk, having exactly the same thoughts about me. Slowly, as I became more awake, I thought that I probably would have heard Groucho if he'd gotten up and gone outside. As a test I asked, "Hey, Groucho. What's that noise?" When he said from his upper bunk, "I don't know. I thought it was you," we both knew immediately what was up. We had a visitor clawing at the cabin, and he was big, black and shaggy.

We piled out of bed and rushed to the window, but never did see our friend. He was not interested in a confrontation. Once outside, we found clear paw prints where he'd stood on his rear legs under a window. There were also claw marks around the window. Just inside the window were the previous evening's dinner leftovers. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to add that up.

We were up! I'm here to tell you, the strongest cup of coffee going won't wake you up like the adrenaline rush you get from a bear clawing at your window in the morning. That's pretty much the whole story. The bear never came back. We got a little earlier start on our fishing that day. That's my story, and I'm stickin' with it.

Like I said, with our fishing trip in the books for another year, it's "What-the-Hey-It's-Labor Day!" Enjoy the weekend, then pack away those white shoes, belts, purses, etc., and get out the mackinaws and mukluks.

different colors and textures. It is this diversity that makes our educational process such a beautiful tapestry. The humanities, the arts, vocational training, reading, writing, health, the sciences, math, music, athletics and physical education - all of the courses across the spectrum of our curriculum. Some of our staff are beginning the very first year of their professional careers. For others, this will be a year of building upon past experiences and successes. But whether the first days of school are tinged with nervous expectation for something new, or the mellowed anticipation of another group of students and the challenges and rewards they will bring, the excitement of a fresh start is shared by all.

Speaking of diversity, one of our goals in the coming year will be to consider in our educational process how social, cultural and racial diversity impact our increasingly complex and interrelated world. This topic can be woven together with continued emphasis on the important character values we have developed and share in Lowell. Of course, through it all, the core value of providing an outstanding education to our students remains paramount, giving them the tools of knowledge they will need as we approach the millennium.

Welcome to another new year! Come visit our buildings, attend a school function, listen to a concert, enjoy the excitement of an athletic event, and witness first hand all of the great things going on in our school district.

My last Vision Article mentioned that, in coming weeks, I would be discussing three important national priorities for improvement in education. But first, this week deserves a welcome back to all of our students, teachers and administrators. School began on August 25th, and we are off to another great start. As befits a growing community, our enrollment is up. We now have some 3,660 students in the district, more than 120 above last year. That's not just a number; think about all of the families behind those additions and the teachers, rooms, desks, lockers, lunches and buses that will be needed to educate them.

As we begin a new year, it is appropriate to remember that the fabric of our schools is woven from many threads of

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## Ledger Entries

of 125, 100, 75, 50 & 25 Years Ago

125 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL WEEKLY JOURNAL - SEPTEMBER 3, 1873

The miracle washing machine is going door-to-door in town, doing sample washes. It performs so well that H.A. Rice, ex-pres. of the Lowell National Bank, pays \$6,500 for the Michigan and Wisconsin territories.

Elder Smith of New York will give a series of prophetic lectures at Train's Hall on the 5th, 6th and 7th.

Col. Merrill, engineer, will be building the Kalamazoo, Lowell and Northern Michigan RR through Lowell soon, on his way north.

The printer, Frank Hathaway, last week spilled type all over, liberated money from the Journal till, bought a hat on credit to the editor and took the train to Grand Rapids. The editor publishes his description.

100 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - SEPTEMBER 1, 1898

Lowell Bicycle Club had quarter-mile, half-mile and mile races last Friday.

The Ledger offers printed calling card bargains to the ladies of Lowell.

It is charged that much suffering in the recent Spanish-American war was the result of red tape holding up shipments and help.

The Alto grist mill bridge is repaired and Sam Ring's mill dam rebuilt.

Mrs. G.W. Crosby of Vergennes has added to her collection of curios an elk horn from Minnesota and whale's rib from the West Indies.

75 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL LEDGER AND ALTO SOLO - AUGUST 30, 1923

The Chautauqua of last week was appreciated, but attendance was not enough to warrant continuing the early series.

Grace Walker challenges the school board decision to not seat her, the first woman member. Her property was in her father's name; he died years before and she isn't on the taxpayer rolls. She has the change made as soon as she hears of the rule, after the election.

Gloria Swanson is playing in "Her Gilded Cage" at the Strand Theatre (4 for a dollar), and on Lowell's Dollar Day, Glenna Swanson will appear in "Her Golden Age" (7 for a dollar).

Alarmed citizens ask for military intervention as the Ku Klux Klan terrorizes people in six states, including Ohio and Indiana.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - SEPTEMBER 2, 1948

Michigan's first contingent of war babies starts to school, making the 120,000-odd kindergartners the largest class in history.

The annual Board of Trade picnic drew 500 from Lowell and surroundings, a bigger crowd than usual.

Michigan State parks will remain open after Labor Day, as long as weather and attendance holds up.

Living in the country and commuting to city jobs is possible now and desirable.

25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER-SUBURBAN LIFE - AUGUST 30, 1973

A Senior Neighbors Inc. senior citizen's center will open in Lowell soon, says County Commissioner Arnold Wittenbach. A site is needed.

The Labor Day weekend approaches, with its average 33 lives a year lost, warns the Michigan State Police.

The Strand Theatre is showing movies only on Friday-Sunday.

After a long bargaining, teachers and the school board settle a three-year contract. Starting salary is \$8,550.

The Back-To-School section is three pages. The same starting time for all students is the big change.

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Love, Mom, Troy & Nathan, Dad and Kristin, Bonna & Papa, Aunt Candi, Uncle Jeff & Skylar

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<p><b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> 2275 West Main Street</p> <p>Sun. Worship Service. 9:30 A.M. &amp; 6:00 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><b>ALTON BIBLE CHURCH</b> Lincoln Lake Ave. at 3 Mile Road 897-5648</p> <p>Sunday School.....10:00 A.M. Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M. Evening Praise.....6:00 P.M. Wednesday AWANA.....7:00 P.M. (Sept. - April) Prayer and Bible Study.....7:00 P.M. Pastor Ken Ford (Home) 897-6418 YOU ARE WELCOME!</p>	<p><b>LOWELL CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE</b> 201 N. Washington • 897-8800</p> <p>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.</p> <p>TIMOTHY E. HARMON, Minister Staffed Nursery Provided Barrier-Free Entrance</p>	<p><b>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> (United Church of Christ) 404 North Hudson • 897-5906</p> <p>Worship and Church School.....10:00 A.M. Dr. Roger LaWarre.....Pastor Louise Weeks.....Interim Christian Ed Director Meghan Culver.....Music Director Barrier-Free.....Nursery Provided</p>



# CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
OF  
CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE  
CITY OF LOWELL

For the Regular Meeting of MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 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 and Fire Chief Frank Martin.

IT WAS MOVED BY BLOUGH and seconded by MYERS that the minutes of the August 3, 1998 meeting be approved as corrected.

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

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

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

## BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (08/17/98)

GENERAL FUND .....	170,023.12
MAJOR STREET FUND .....	6,946.06
LOCAL STREET FUND .....	456.32
DDA FUND .....	2,454.29
WASTEWATER FUND .....	844.03
WATER FUND .....	3,138.14
EQUIPMENT FUND .....	1,579.80
CURRENT TAX FUND .....	865,475.31
LEE FUND .....	601.68

**Item #1. NORTHEAST CORNER OF VALLEY VISTA AND BOWES - WHITE'S BRIDGE TOOLING - REZONING FROM C-3 GENERAL BUSINESS TO LI LIGHT INDUSTRIAL - RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION - PUBLIC HEARING.** Pete Odland, owner of White's Bridge Tooling, had requested rezoning of his property located at the northeast corner of Valley Vista and Bowes from General Business to Light Industrial. The creation of the Light Industrial District was due in part to White's Bridge Tooling's desire as a machine shop to have a permitted use status at this location. An administrative decision allowed the machine shop. However, this did not provide Odland the opportunity to expand his business.

Odland stated concerns of not being able to reconstruct if damage occurs to the building because of the non conforming zoning.

Pasquale stated the Planning Commission had held a public hearing on July 27, 1998 and unanimously recommended to the City Council an ordinance amendment be adopted rezoning the property to Light Industrial.

Councilmember Green asked if any concerns or comments had been received from the surrounding neighbors.

Pasquale stated none had been received.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to rezone the northeast corner parcel of Valley Vista and Bowes Road from General Business to Light Industrial.  
YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item #2. VACATION OF WATER STREET - PUBLIC HEARING - CONSIDERATION OF BIDS FOR SALE OF PROPERTY NORTH OF RECREATION PARK BALLFIELD AND RECREATION PARK DESIGN PLAN.** City Manager Pasquale reviewed the following issues:

a. The vacation of Water Street, proposed by King Milling, is proposed from the first block south of Main Street to the end of the street. The road is used primarily by King Milling, who has stated their desire to upgrade the road, if it was for private use only.

b. A thirty foot drive would be installed north of the King Memorial Youth Center (old pool building) providing access to the ballfield. This would limit the use of Water Street and traveling through the Michigan Wire property. Dean Lonick of Michigan Wire had proposed acquiring property north of Recreation Park Ballfield (part of the old Recreation Park). The Planning Commission deleted this portion of the park from the master plan, allowing sale of the property.

In consulting with Jim Marfia, City Assessor, a value of \$.50 per square foot was determined for the property. Michigan Wire provided the only bid for this property at \$.40 per square foot (\$10,370.40) received on August 11.

c. The cost of \$9,800 by Design Plus for the Recreation Park Master Plan would be paid in part from a \$5,000 donation from King Milling. The remaining has been budgeted in the Lee Fund.

Dean Lonick stated Michigan Wire determined the bid amount by evaluating the property. He believed the fences on the north and south side of the ballfield would need to be replaced. Access to the ballfield from the south side of the property would also need to be provided.

Jim Doyle of King Milling felt all involved have been very cooperative with each other. He also stated this proposal would be a better access route to the park.

Doyle added the only utility on Water Street is the storm sewer. Doyle wanted the City to have an easement for the storm sewer maintenance.

Councilmember Green stated access to the back of the Antique Mall and river will still be provided, along with parking.

City Manager Pasquale said the City will need an easement or an acquisition to maintain the right of way through the Michigan Wire property to gain access to the Ballfield. Lonick stated either would be acceptable. Pasquale noted as long as the City has the right of way, an easement would be sufficient. Councilmember Green questioned how wide the right of way should be. Pasquale responded 30 feet.

Councilmember Blough questioned if an acquisition is chosen, would Michigan Wire be amenable to reimburse at the same rate of the bid. City Manager Pasquale stated this has never been discussed

Lonick stated originally Michigan Wire was hopeful to swap properties. It was discovered a specific administrative process for the transaction must take place. Mayor Thompson also thought this would happen.

With regard to easement or acquisition, Lonick wanted to do whatever is easiest.

Councilmember Blough felt this proposal would be beneficial to the City and to the Industrial District.

IT WAS MOVED BY BLOUGH and seconded by GREEN to (a) vacate Water Street from one block south of West Main Street to the end with the City retaining utility easements, (b) approve the sale of 25,926 square feet of former Recreation Park north of the ballfield to Michigan Wire Processing Company for \$10,370.40 and (c) acquire an access from Michigan Wire north of the King Memorial Youth Center at the same compensation rate (\$.40 per square foot) as the proposed sale.

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

In considering the Recreation Park Master Plan, Councilmember Blough questioned if the Parks and Recreation Commission had reviewed the proposal. Also questioned how long this was going to be administered and how many months it would take. City Manager Pasquale responded it would be administered by him and the Parks and Recreation Commission. The process would take approximately six months.

Mayor Thompson stated losing the old Grandstand at Recreation Park Ballfield had made some differences in the configuration of the park.

Councilmember Green stated there are some benefits in having the ballfield as currently orientated. Green felt the park could be left the same and questioned how much it would cost to reorient the ballfield. However, he believed having the spectators near the restrooms was a good idea.

IT WAS MOVED BY BLOUGH and seconded by SHORES to support the recommendation by the Parks and Recreation Commission to contract with Design Plus Inc., for \$9,800, (\$5,000 as a donation from King Milling) to carry out the Recreation Park Master Plan.

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

Mayor Thompson thanked everyone involved in the project and thought all aspects have worked out well.

**Item #3. PRESENTATION FROM FIRE CHIEF FRANK MARTIN REGARDING RESPONSE CALLS, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.** Fire Chief Frank Martin presented his Department's policies and procedures regarding response calls. Martin stated policies and procedures change depending whether it's a fire or medical call. There are two teams responding to medical calls. Each team is on call Monday from 6 p.m. to the following Monday and on weekends. The Fire Department averages approximately seven personnel to respond to medical calls. The average is six for the year. All available personnel respond to fire and accident calls. Currently, the Fire Department has seven volunteers able to respond during the day. Thirteen are available at night. The Fire Department has a contract with Kent County for mutual aid.

Councilmember Blough stated the budget for the last fiscal year was approximately \$75,000. This has increased this fiscal year by \$3,000. Comments have been received from city residents and the surrounding townships regarding the cost of sending a number of personnel on one call.

Blough questioned if the townships are charged for the total cost of each run. He also asked if there are procedures to analyze how many personnel should respond to each call.

Martin responded if all are not needed, they are sent home.

Blough asked if surrounding fire service suppliers have criteria to determine how many personnel should respond to a call.

Martin responded some do. However, these have more than one fire station. Usually, the first to arrive at the fire station are the personnel who live in the city. All are called in when responding to a call from a business. As soon as it is determined to be a false alarm, personnel are sent home. They are paid for responding to the call.

Blough asked what duties are performed when 13 fire fighters are called. Martin responded 13 fire fighters are not called for a medical emergency. Martin added currently the Department has nine rescue workers on a team and an average of six respond. He also stated currently there are four openings for fire personnel.



## Class of Their Shows

Tiffany Wieland, left, was the Junior Showmanship Sweepstakes winner, and Terresa Kenney won the Senior Showmanship Sweepstakes.

Kenney, 18, qualified for the senior sweepstakes by winning the Rabbit Showmanship. The sweepstakes required Kenney to show 10 different animals.

She is the daughter of Michael and Julie Kenney. Wieland, 13, is the daughter of Sharon and the late Earl Wieland.

She qualified for the junior sweepstakes by winning the dog showmanship. Wieland partnered with her golden retriever "Sadie." She also showed 10 different animals in the sweepstakes.

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Blough questioned whose responsibility it is to conduct the traffic. Martin responded the Lowell Fire Department conducts the traffic until the Lowell Police Department arrives in the City and the County Sheriffs in the townships.

Mayor Thompson stated he has reviewed procedures with Martin and believed the Fire Chief is doing an excellent job. The City is fortunate to have part time fire fighters and rescue workers. Thompson did not feel the City is overpaying the personnel. He is very proud of the Lowell Fire Department.

Blough stated residents in the community have questions from time to time and appreciate questions being answered. The community is concerned regarding spending taxpayers' money and want it used appropriately without risking the safety of the public.

Councilmember Shores asked if fire fighters are trained as medical personnel.

Martin responded all but two are trained as first medical responders.

Martin added the Fire Department also consists of two inspectors who inspect all businesses once a year for fire safety.

Councilmember Shores stated the Chief is very diligent about keeping the townships informed and felt he is doing a very good job.

Councilmember Blough asked if there have been any disagreements between the City and the townships regarding the billing process.

City Manager Pasquale stated the City would receive a call from a township clerk if there were any questions regarding the bill. It would then be reviewed by Martin.

Martin stated the townships are notified before the bill is sent out if it is larger than normal.

Pasquale did not recall a situation which has gone beyond inquiry.

**Item #4. CONSIDERATION OF TREE CUTTING AT 411 JAMES AND 318 LINCOLN LAKE.** Department of Public Works Director Dan DesJarden stated several tree trimming services were contacted. A quote was received from Poortenga Tree Service for 411 James Street in the amount of \$600 to take down three maple trees, which have been storm damaged and an additional \$300 to grind the stumps. The homeowner wanted to keep the wood. The City DPW would be able to take the tree down located at 318 Lincoln Lake, which is split and grown into overhead wires.

Mayor Thompson asked if City Tree Service had been approached. DesJarden stated the company was contacted, but a quote had not been received.

Councilmember Shores thought it was necessary for the trees to come down.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to contract with Poortenga Tree Service to remove the three maple trees located at 411 James Street at a cost of \$900 and for the Department of Public Works to remove the tree located at 318 Lincoln Lake.

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

Mayor Thompson thanked Councilmember Green for filling in at the Kent County Youth Fair. Also, he felt the fair was very clean and organized.

Mayor Thompson wanted another department head

**Item #5. MONTHLY REPORTS.** Councilmember Myers questioned Frank Martin concerning the new paging horn purchased for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Martin stated the paging system was needed so the phone could be heard.

Councilmember Myers inquired about the rise in the flow chart between the 23rd and 24th of July, elevating from 800,000 gallons to 1.6 million gallons. Martin responded that happens when a heavy rain is received.

**Item #6. CITIZEN COMMENTS.** Doug Morell was present to discuss the Toy Run scheduled for Sunday, September 13, 1998 starting at 1:00 p.m. He was hopeful about 400 bikers would be participating. Morell stated all funds raised during this event would buy gifts for children in hospitals during Christmas time. There will be a 50/50 raffle drawing for a quilt and a blues band will be performing.

Morell stated his organization wanted to use the Foreman building.

Chief of Police Jim Valentine and Chamber of Commerce Liz Baker discussed with Morell the possibility of a parade with the motorcycles. A police car will meet the motorcycles at the Hudson and Main Street stop light to escort the vehicles into the Fairgrounds. Valentine noted if a police officer does not arrive on time, they would have to wait for the officer before proceeding.

Councilmember Shores wanted to see more publicity for this event. Shores stated the Toy Run was very impressive last year.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to support the Toy Run on Sunday, September 13, 1998 starting at 1:00 p.m.

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

**Item #7. COUNCIL COMMENTS.** Councilmember Shores complimented Whites Bridge Tooling & Die on the upkeep of their property. She also complimented Fire Chief Frank Martin and felt that the City has a very dedicated group of rescue workers.

Councilmember Green thanked the Kent County Youth Fair for giving him an opportunity to speak at the opening ceremonies. It was a great privilege and fun.

Councilmember Blough asked for the current status on the City Hall and Police Station study. City Manager Pasquale responded he will discuss the status with architect Dan Durkee. An update will be provided at the August 31, 1998 meeting. Also, Pasquale had talked with the affected property owners whom the City has interest to acquire their parcels for a City Hall - Police Station project. Several have provided their asking prices.

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present at the next Council meeting. Thompson believed this would be beneficial to receive an overall view of each department.

DPW Director DesJarden will provide a report on the Department of Public Works for the next meeting.

**Item #8. MANAGERS REPORT.** City Manager Pasquale stated the following:

a. Copies of minutes from the Downtown Development Authority meeting of July 2, Parks and Recreation Commission meeting of July 11 and the Kent District Library Board meeting of July 18 were provided.

b. Pat Jorgensen, DPW Equipment Operator/Maintenance Worker, primarily in the Water Distribution, has resigned to start his own private excavating business. Jorgensen, who has worked with the City since July 10, 1995, will be missed. The City wishes him the best.

This job is currently being advertised in the Buyers Guide and Lowell Ledger.

c. The ice skating rink study is near completion. A meeting needed to be established to review the study. After discussion, the Council recommended the third Thursday of September for this meeting.

d. The new wholesale water rate for Lowell Township had been established at \$2.89 per thousand gallons (\$2.67 previously). This was reviewed with Township officials and is in effect.

e. A copy of the new City logo has been provided. By consensus, the Councilmembers approved the final design. Colors will be assigned to the flag.

f. Deputy City Clerk Betty Morlock stated the Municipal Employment Retirement System (MERS), will be holding its annual meeting at Shanty Creek. The Council should appoint the Employer's representative to attend. City Manager Pasquale and Morlock recommended Police Chief James Valentine attend with Department of Public Works Director Dan DesJarden serving as an alternate. City Mechanic Tom Hartman will serve as the Employees' representative.

IT WAS MOVED BY THOMPSON and seconded by MYERS to appoint Police Chief James Valentine as the Employer's representative and Department of Public Works Director Dan DesJarden as an alternate, to attend the annual MERS meeting.

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

**Item #9. APPOINTMENTS.** Mayor Thompson noted an individual has volunteered to serve as a member of the Planning Commission. Thompson will meet with the individual before the next meeting.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: Monday, August 31, 1998

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



## Kitten incident, a chilling, violent tale

A four-month old kitten was the victim of a heinous act of violence on Sunday.

A Lowell resident found the kitten whose head had been dunked in gasoline and had a cord tied tightly around its neck. The kitten was euthanized by humane society officials.

Rich Meyer, executive director for the Kent County Humane Society, said the heinous act is under investigation.

"The cat had ingested a fair amount of gasoline into its system. The residents who found the kitten tried to bathe the cat to get the gasoline off of it," Meyer explained. He said the humane society's cruelty investigator will definitely look into it. "One of the residents was also bitten in trying to help the cat."

Nothing is conclusive as to how it happened or as to the motive. While the cat's curiosity has not been ruled out, Meyer said it is unlikely that was the cause in this case.

"If this was done intentionally, the chance of something like this happening again is high," Meyer explained. "Violence at this level leads to more heinous violence down the road. If it's a young kid(s), it is important to catch them early."

Meyer added if anyone has heard or seen anything regarding this matter, they should call 453-7757 and ask to speak to the cruelty investigator. If that person is not in, they should leave a message.

## Flat River Ministries, cont'd.... From Page 1

Monies to sustain and maintain the building will be raised through selling good used clothing to all community shoppers.

"The whole community can come in and shop for good used clothing," LaWarre said.

Through this approach, coordinators hope to remove any stigma, labeling or stereotype associated with buying clothes at a thrift shop.

"Money from the sale of clothes will be used to help families in need and maintain ministry," LaWarre explained.

While good used clothes will be sold, food will not be sold. It will be available on a need basis. Clothes will also be made accessible on an emergency (e.g., house fire) need basis.

Work on the old Baptist Church is scheduled to begin this fall.

Tallahassee, Florida is so named from an Indian word meaning "old town."



program begins the week of Sept. 9. Classes are available Wednesday mornings, Saturdays and Monday evenings. Call the YMCA at 897-8445 for information or to sign up.

### THE BIMINI BROTHERS BENEFIT FOR JUVENILE DIABETES

On Saturday, Sept. 5, from 7 to 10 p.m., at Larkin's "The Other Place," the Bimini Brothers will be giving a benefit concert for the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. Tickets are a \$5 donation at the door. A silent auction will also be held beginning at 6 p.m. when the doors open.

From each dollar raised, 87 cents goes for research. Adults only; cash bar.

### ATTENTION ALL VETERANS - FREE FLU SHOTS

Free flu shots will be given to all veterans on Tues., Sept. 15 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at V.F.W. Post #8303, 307 E. Main St. Sponsored by Battle Creek VA Medical Center and Grand Rapids Outpatient Clinic.

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I have mixed feelings about ambivalence. —Bob Nickman

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Superintendent for Finance & Personnel,  
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## VERGENNES TOWNSHIP NOTICE

There will be a Public Hearing held at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Vergennes Township Planning Commission on September 8, 1998 at 7 p.m. at the township offices located at 10381 Bailey Dr., Lowell. The hearing is being held to allow public comment on a proposed addition to Precise Engineering, located at 683 Lincoln Lake Ave., SE, in the NE 1/4 of Section 34. The proposed project will be to provide additional space to house a stamping press.

Copies of the application and prints are available at the township offices on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Written comments will be accepted if received by the township clerk by 7 p.m. on September 8, 1998.

Rick Gillett  
Planning Commission Chair

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# The Ledger TV LISTING MAGAZINE

**FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 4 THRU SEPTEMBER 10**

CHANNEL	SYMBOL
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3	WVMT-3
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7	WXMI-17
8	WOOD-8
9	WLNS-6
10	WLX-10
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12	WKAR-23
13	WZZM-13
14	DISNEY
15	WSYM-47
16	HBO**
17	WTBS
18	C-MAX**
19	FAM
20	FX
21	MTV
22	VH-1
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 LEARNING
37	SCI-FI
38	COMEDY CENTRAL
40	WEATHER
41	HISTORY
42	AMC
43	WZPX-43
44	HOME & GARDEN
45	LIFETIME
46	TOON DISNEY
47	MSNBC

\* Denotes channels not appearing in the grids  
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Mia Cottet, Lenny Venito, Matthew Letscher, Melinda McGraw, Kira Arne and Dondre T. Whitfield (clockwise from left) star in *Living in Captivity*, a new Fox sitcom about young neighbors in a gated suburban community. The series premieres Friday.

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DAYTIME AFTERNOON 12:00 12:30 1:00 1:30 2:00 2:30 3:00 3:30 4:00 4:30 5:00 5:30 6:00 6:30

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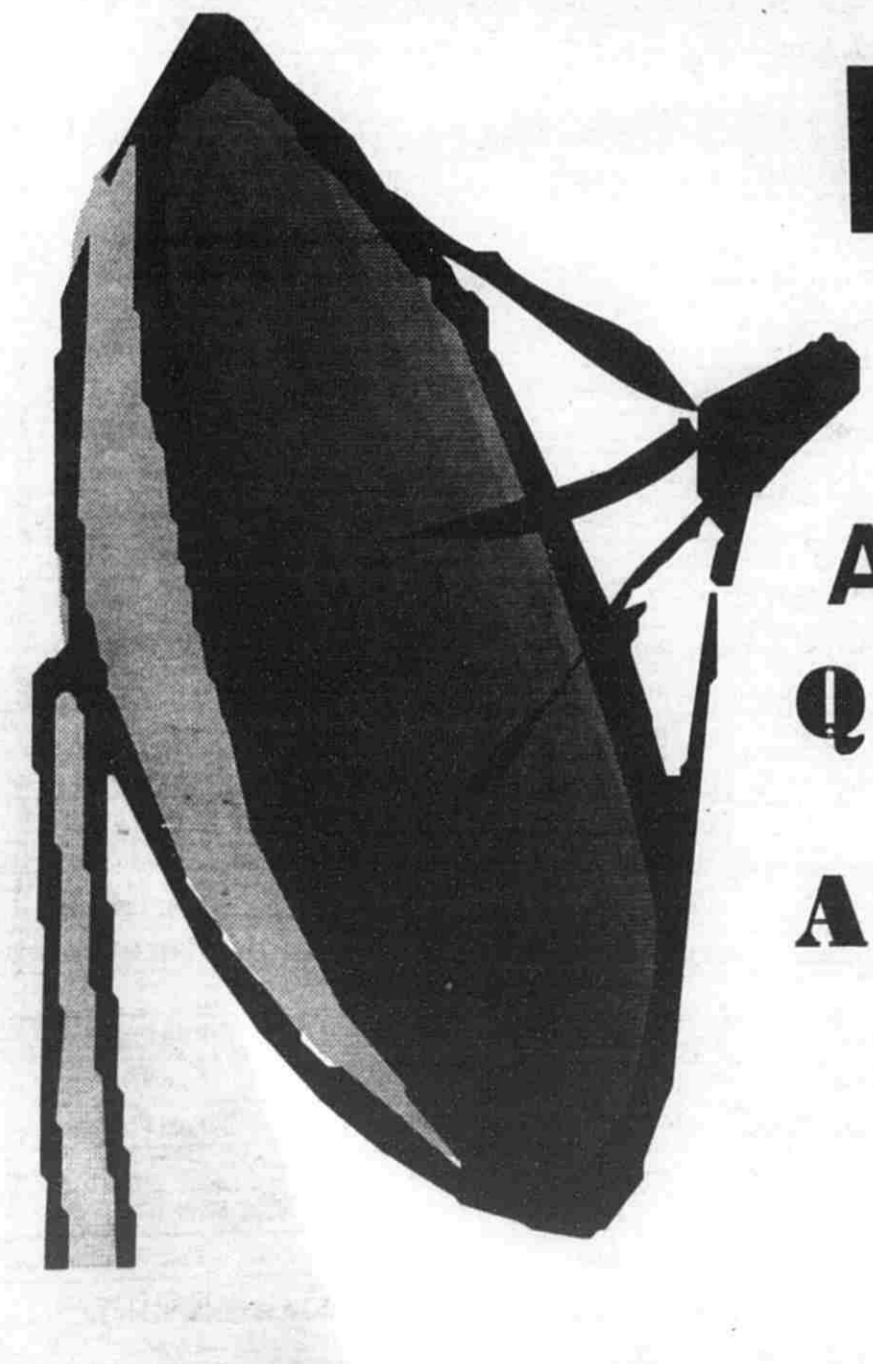
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THURSDAY EVENING SEPTEMBER 10, 1998		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
<b>BROADCAST STATIONS</b>											
WMT	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	JAG "The Stalker" (R) (In Stereo)	Best Commercials You've Never Seen	Diagnosis Murder "Talked to Death" (In Stereo)	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)			
WOTV	Extra (In Stereo)	Real TV (In Stereo)	Best Commercials You've Never Seen	Dangerous World: The Kennedy Years The career and legacy of President John F. Kennedy. (R)	Dangerous World: The Kennedy Years The career and legacy of President John F. Kennedy. (R)	News	Nightline				
WGUV	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)		
WXMJ	Home Improvement	Seinfeld (In Stereo)	World's Wildest Police Videos	Fox Files (In Stereo)		Psi Factor: Chronicles of the Paranormal (R)		Frasier (In Stereo)	M*A*S*H "Who Knew?"		
WOOD	Inside Edition	Extra (In Stereo)	Seinfeld (In Stereo)	Seinfeld "The Finale" (R) (In Stereo)	ER "Suffer the Little Children" (R) (In Stereo)	News	Tonight Show				
WZZM	Entertainment Tonight	Mad About You	Best Commercials You've Never Seen	Dangerous World: The Kennedy Years The career and legacy of President John F. Kennedy. (R)	Dangerous World: The Kennedy Years The career and legacy of President John F. Kennedy. (R)	News	Nightline				
DISN	Movie: *1/2 "D2: The Mighty Ducks" (1994), Kathryn Erbe (In Stereo) PG (Adult language)			Movie: "Brink" (1998), Christina Vidal, Patrick Levis	Mighty Ducks	Movie: "Moochie of Pop Warner Football" (1960)					
TBS	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	WCW Thunder	WCW Thunder	Movie: *1/2 "Warlock" (1989) Julian Sands, Richard E. Grant.						
FAM	Show Me the Funny	Show Me the Funny	Oh No! Mr. Bill	Life, Camera, Action	Movie: "Young Hercules" (1998) Ian Bochen, Chris Conrad, (In Stereo)						
FX	Beverly Hills, 90210 "Life After Death" (In Stereo)	X-Files "The List" (In Stereo)		NYPD Blue "Ted and Carey's Bogus Adventure"	Groundlings	Bobcat's Big Show	X-Files "Cyde Bruckman's Final Repose"				
USA	Xena: Warrior Princess	U.S. Open Tennis: Mixed	Doubles Final and Men's and Women's Quarterfinals.	From the USTA National Tennis Center in Flushing Meadows, N.Y. (In Stereo Live)			Silk Stalkings "Dead Asleep" (R) (In Stereo)				
DISC	Gimme Shelter (R)	Wild Discovery: Meaneat Animal	Into the Unknown (R)	Movie Magic (R)	Wings "Future Wings" "Eyes in the Sky" (R)		Justice Files "Bad Medicine" (R)				
WGN	Family Matters	Coach (In Stereo)	Major League Baseball: Pittsburgh Pirates at Chicago Cubs. From Wrigley Field. (In Stereo Live)				News (In Stereo)	Honeymooners			
ESPN	(6:30) Sportscenter	Thursday GameNight	College Football: Navy at Wake Forest. (Live)				Sportscenter				
CNN	Moneyline Newshour	Crossfire	World Today	Larry King Live		Newsstand: Entertainment Weekly	Sports Tonight	Moneyline (R)			
NICK	Doug (In Stereo)	Rugrats (In Stereo)	Wild Thornberrys	Cousin Skeeter	Brady Bunch	Wonder Years	Happy Days	Laverne & Shirley	I Love Lucy	Bewitched	
A&E	Law & Order "The Working Girl" (R)	Biography "Joan Rivers: Can She Talk" (R)		Biography "Joan Rivers: Can She Talk" (R)	Unexplained "Robot Journey Into the Past" (R)		Murder, She Wrote "Goodbye, Charlie"	Law & Order "Happily Ever After"			
FSD	Sports News	Major League Baseball: Toronto Blue Jays at New York Yankees. From Yankee Stadium. (Live)					FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News			
TNT	ER "Into That Good Night" (In Stereo)	Movie: ** "Bodily Harm" (1995) Linda Fiorentino, Gregg Henry.			Movie: *** "Trapped" (1989) Kathleen Quinlan, Ben Loggins.						
NASH	Waltons "The Comeback" (In Stereo)	Championship Rodeo (R) (In Stereo)		Prime Time Country (In Stereo)	Today's Country (In Stereo)		Dallas "And the Winner Is..." (In Stereo)				
TLC	Home Again (R)	Home Again (R)	Medical Detectives (R)	Without Warning (R)	Globetrotters	Panama Canal (R)	Medical Detectives (R)	Without Warning (R)			
SCIFI	Sightings (In Stereo)	Star Trek "Mini" (R)			Tekwar "Teklab" Jake and Sid attempt to unravel a murder conspiracy in London.		Sightings (In Stereo)	Star Trek "Mini" (R)			
COM	Daily Show (R)	Win Ben Stein's Money	Movie: **1/2 "UHF" (1989) Al Yankovic, Kevin McCarthy.		Dana Carvey: Critic's Choice (R)		Daily Show	Win Ben Stein's Money			
HIST	20th Century "Guardians of the Gulf" (R)	Devil's Island: Hell on Earth		Men Who Killed Kennedy (R) (Part 4 of 6)		Dana Carvey: Critic's Choice (R)	Modern Marvels "U.S. Mints: Money Machines"	Trains Unlimited "The Caboose" (R)			
AMC	(6:30) Movie: *** "Blood on the Moon" (1948)	Movie: **** "The Grapes of Wrath" (1940), Jane Darwell, John Carradine			Movie: *** "Sergeant Rutledge" (1960), Constance Towers, Woody Strode						
H&G	This Old House	House Doctor (R)	Great Fall Fix-Up (In Stereo)	Furniture (In Stereo)	Homes by Design	21st Century Home (R)	Breaking Ground (R)	Great Fall Fix-Up (In Stereo)			
LIFE	Party of Five "Brother's Keeper" (In Stereo)	Great Fall Fix-Up "Informed Consent" (In Stereo)			Chicago Hope "Informed Consent" (In Stereo)	Barbara Hershey, Hal Holbrook.		New Attitudes (R)	Golden Girls (In Stereo)		
HBO	Movie: *** "Little Nikita" (1988), River Phoenix (In Stereo) PG (Adult language, violence)	Movie: "Indiscreet" (1988), Gloria Reuben (In Stereo) R (Adult language, adult situations, violence)			Movie: "Indiscreet" (1988), Gloria Reuben (In Stereo) R (Adult language, adult situations, violence)			Inside the NFL (In Stereo)			
MAX	(6:15) Movie: *** "Men in Black" (1997) PG-13	Movie: *** "A Bronx Tale" (1993), Chazz Palminteri (In Stereo) R (Adult language, violence)			Movie: *1/2 "Day of the Warrior" (1997), Christian Lelander (In Stereo) R			Movie: "Above the Law"			

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<b>BROADCAST STATIONS</b>											
WMT	(11:35) Late Show	Open Highlights	Late Late Show (In Stereo)		Geraldo Rivera (R)			CBS Up to the Minute (Joined in Progress)			
WOTV	Politically Incorrect	Strange Universe (R)	Paid Program	Paid Program	(Off Air)						
WGUV	(11:30) Charlie Rose	(Off Air)									
WXMJ	Andy Griffith	Murphy Brown	Vibe (R)		Paid Program	(Off Air)					
WOOD	(11:35) Tonight Show	Late Night (In Stereo)	Later (In Stereo)		Paid Program	NBC News Nightside					
WZZM	Politically Incorrect	Coach (In Stereo)	News (R)	Married... With	The View		ABC World News Now (Joined in Progress)				
DISN	Zorro (In Stereo)	Mickey Mouse Club	Movie: **1/2 "Now You See Him, Now You Don't" (1972), Joe Flynn 'G' (R)	Mouse Factory (R)	Movie: *1/2 "D2: The Mighty Ducks" (1994), Kathryn Erbe (In Stereo) PG (Adult language)						
TBS	WCW Thunder (R)		WCW Thunder (R)		Movie: **1/2 "Sugar Hill" (1993, Drama) Wesley Snipes. One of two brothers wants out of the illegal drug business.	Family Ties					
FAM	Oh No! Mr. Bill	Life, Camera, Action	Paid Program	Paid Program	700 Club	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
FX	NYPD Blue "E.R." (In Stereo)	La Femme Nikita "Love" (R) (In Stereo)	La Femme Nikita "Love" (R) (In Stereo)	U.S. Open Tennis: Match of the Day. (R) (In Stereo)			Sirens "The Obsession" (In Stereo)				
USA	Highlander: The Series "Till Death" (In Stereo)	La Femme Nikita "Love" (R) (In Stereo)	La Femme Nikita "Love" (R) (In Stereo)	U.S. Open Tennis: Match of the Day. (R) (In Stereo)							
DISC	Wild Discovery: Meaneat Animal	Into the Unknown (R)	Movie Magic (R)	Wings "Future Wings" "Eyes in the Sky" (R)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
WGN	In the Heat of the Night "Sister, Sister" (In Stereo)	Simon & Simon		Movie: * "America 3000" (1986) Chuck Wagner, Victoria Barrett.							
ESPN	Baseball Tonight	Auto Racing: NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series - Virginia Is for Lovers 200.	Sportscenter	Up Close (R)	College Football: Navy at Wake Forest. (R)						
CNN	Larry King Live (R)	Newsstand: Entertainment Weekly (R)	Sports Tonight	Moneyline (R)	Crossfire (R)		CNN International	Newsroom			
NICK	Mary Tyler Moore	Taxi "Alex's Old Buddy"	Dick Van Dyke	Bob Newhart	Brady Bunch	Happy Days	Laverne & Shirley	I Love Lucy			
A&E	Biography "Joan Rivers: Can She Talk" (R)	Unexplained "Robot Journey Into the Past" (R)	Murder, She Wrote "Goodbye, Charlie"	Law & Order "Happily Ever After"	Movie: ** "Just Between Friends" (1996)						
FSD	Last Word (R)	Football Wkly	This Week in NASCAR	Motorsports Hour (R)	Aussie Rules Highlights	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program			
TNT	Movie: *** "The Competition" (1990, Drama) Richard Dreyfuss. Competing pianists are torn between love and ambition.	Movie: *** "Yentl" (1983, Musical) Barbra Streisand. A Jewish woman poses as a man so she can study the Talmud.									
NASH	Dukes of Hazzard "Close Call for Daisy"	Prime Time Country (R) (In Stereo)	Today's Country (In Stereo)	(Off Air)							
TLC	Globetrotters (R)	Panama Canal (R)	Home Again (R)	Home Again (R)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program			
SCIFI	(11:30) Star Trek "Mini" (R)	Tekwar "Teklab" Jake and Sid attempt to unravel a murder conspiracy in London.			Boris Karloff Presents Thriller "Well of Doom"	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program			
COM	Saturday Night Live	Upright Citizen	Daily Show (R)	Movie: *1/2 "Joy of Sex" (1984) Michelle Meyrink, Lisa Langlois.							
HIST	Devil's Island: Hell on Earth (R)	Men Who Killed Kennedy (R) (Part 4 of 6)	Modern Marvels "U.S. Mints: Money Machines"	Trains Unlimited "The Caboose" (R)	Devil's Island: Hell on Earth (R)						
AMC	(10:15) Movie: "Parrish" (1961, Drama) Troy Donahue, Claudette Colbert. Three women teach a young man about love and life.				Movie: *** "All My Sons" (1948), Burt Lancaster, Mady Christians						
H&G	Furniture (In Stereo)	Homes by Design (R)	21st Century Home (R)	Breaking Ground (R)	This Old House (R)	Hands On (In Stereo)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
LIFE	Golden Girls (In Stereo)	Unsolved Mysteries (In Stereo)	Homicide: Life on the Street "Double Blind" (R)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program			
HBO	Arless (R) (In Stereo)	Sex and the City (R)	Movie: *** "Soul Food" (1997), Vivica A. Fox (In Stereo) R (Adult language, adult situations)	Movie: "Valentine's Day" (1998), Randy Quaid, Rae Dawn Chong NR	Movie: "Valentine's Day" (1998), Randy Quaid, Rae Dawn Chong NR			"Don King Only"			
MAX	(11:40) Movie: **1/2 "Above the Law" (1988), Henry Silva (In Stereo) R	Movie: "Wild Dreams 2" (1995), Tane McClure (In Stereo) R			Movie: *1/2 "Shopping" (1994), Jude Law, Sean Pertwee (In Stereo) R			"I Love Alice"			



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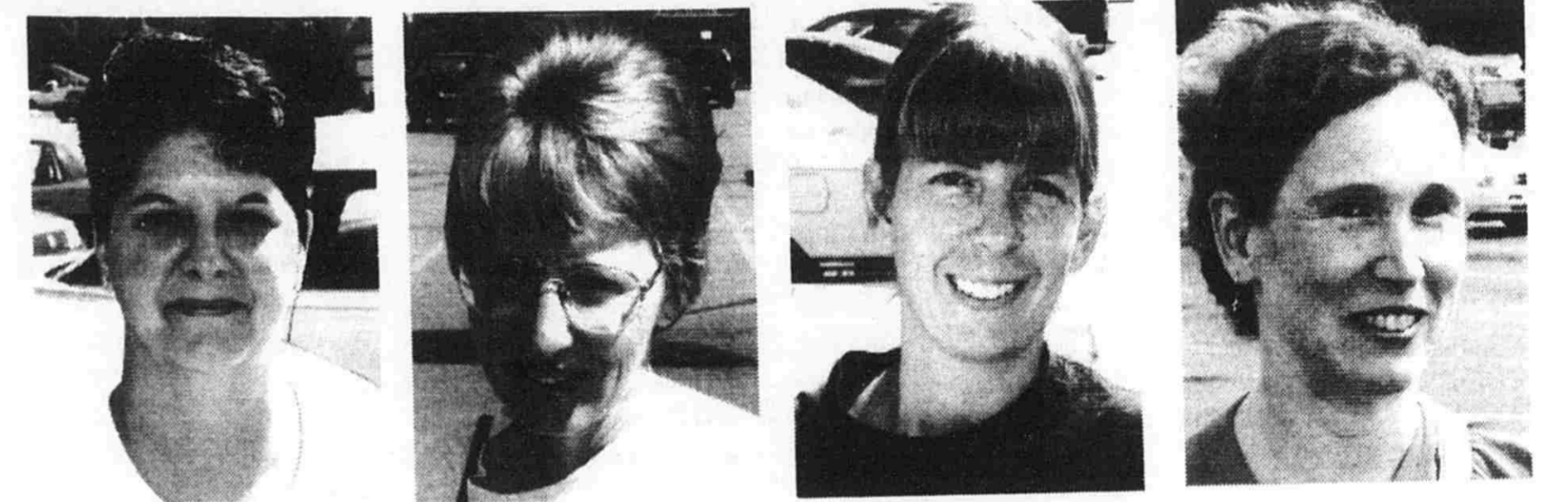
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# TOWN TALK

## Will Democratic nominee Geoffrey Fieger cause many Democratic die-hards to vote for Gov. John Engler in November?



**Cindy Addington**  
I think they will still vote Democratic, but I hope not.

**Dianne Milley**  
I hope they will.

**Jo Hinele**  
Probably not. I think they will stick with Fieger.

**Tami Griffith**  
I hope so. It is hard to tell what people think. I hope they choose Engler over Fieger.

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**Charles Doom**  
Yes, I do. They see him as not being a positive. They see him as a detriment.

**Carrol Kelly**  
I think they will stick with Fieger. After all, they are die hards.

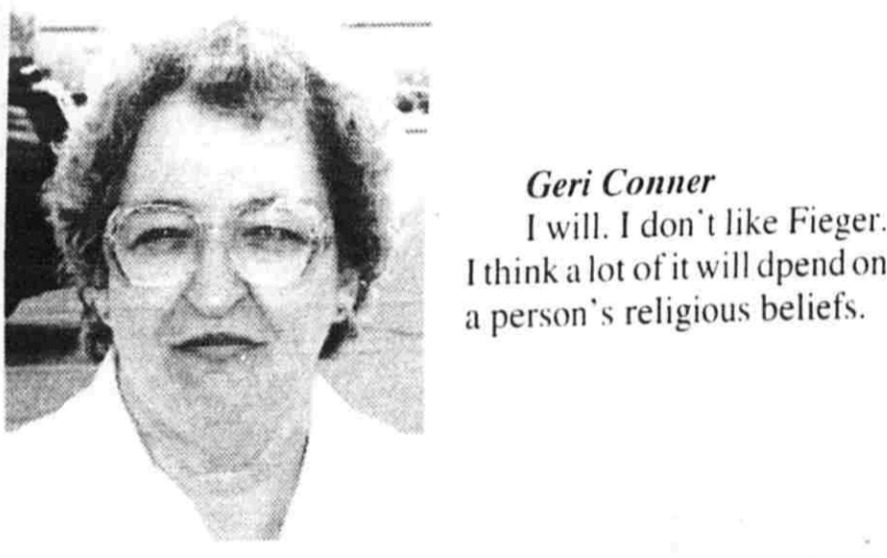
**Ruth Thurtell**  
Absolutely not. Who wants Engler? People have to choose... are they willing to give up education and the environment to have Engler in office? Let's get someone in there that will change things.

**Shirley Kloosterman**  
I'd like to think so. Although, Fieger has a lot of people going his way.

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**Geri Conner**  
I will. I don't like Fieger. I think a lot of it will depend on a person's religious beliefs.

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Application forms are available at the Vergennes Township Offices, located at 10381 Bailey Dr., Lowell. Hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

August 14, 1998

Sandra Kowalczyk, Clerk  
Bowne Township

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE BOWNE TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE/MAP**

Notice is hereby given that the Bowne Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on September 10, 1998, at 7:30 p.m. in the historic Township Hall, located at 8240 Alden Nash Avenue, Alto, Michigan, to hear citizens' comments regarding the proposed zoning district change. The zoning district change request is from Karl and Julie Foy to rezone a parcel of land located at 12378 - 60th Street, from I-1 (Industrial) to R-R (Residential). The proposed zoning change may be inspected at the Township Hall on Wednesdays or Fridays between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

August 14, 1998

Sandra Kowalczyk, Clerk  
Bowne Township



# DDA project approaches tidying up stage; M-21 resurfacing should be completed Thursday

By J.N. Boorsma  
Contributing Writer

For those who are starting to wonder if there is an end to all the road construction, the Lowell city staff has an answer—yes there is. At its Monday night council meeting, Lowell police chief Jim Valentine, who is acting as city manager in David Pasquale's absence, reported that the work on M-21 is coming to an end. This is good news for residents and business owners who

have had to endure delays and bottlenecks as the work progressed over the summer. Valentine reported that Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc. will begin paving the road on Wednesday. Plans call for the Ada company to start paving at the west end of the project near Bernard's True Value Hardware and work its way east to City Hall. The company will pave the east-bound lane or south side of M-21 first and company officials plan to have it completed before the rush hour traffic that day. Valentine said. The north end of the road or the westbound lane will be paved on Thursday in the same path with plans calling for it to be completed before the rush hour traffic. "So all the paving work will be done by Thursday afternoon," Valentine said. The next week or so will see tidying up on the street and the road striped once the asphalt has hardened. Other news mentioned on the M-21 project was that the sidewalk is pretty much done.

Public Works director Dan DesJarden said the city originally had plans to take the sidewalk as far as it could on the south end, with plans to end it near the NAPA Auto Parts building. However, plans from the Michigan Department of Transportation, which oversees M-21, indicated that the organization was planning to put curbs and gutters along that area which would eliminate the need for tiles for the sidewalks. With the tiles eliminated, the city would be able to take the sidewalk out even farther, DesJarden said. City officials decided to end the sidewalk work on the south side near Ridgeview and take a look at the project next year to see if the monies could be used to extend the sidewalk beyond the NAPA building.

# Lowell linksters lose by three shots to Greenville

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell golf coach Jack Ogle would have liked to blame the weather, but it was picture perfect all week. His team's scores were a little less than that as Lowell fell in nonconference play to Greenville, Belding and Ionia. "We haven't hit that consistent mark yet," Ogle explained. Seniors Jim Gilchrist and Dan Barton have struggled some in the early going. Once I get Jim and Dan shooting in the low 40s, I'll take my chances," Ogle said. "It's been frustrating for them." Barton shot a tournament best 74 at the Kent County tournament earlier this year. Monday, at Deer Run, he wasn't one of Lowell's top four scores. Jim Gilchrist led Lowell with a 44. Nick Collins and

Wade Gilchrist were a shot back at 45 and Kyle Hines carded a 46. Greenville received medalist rounds of 43 from Jason Bearup and Kody Taylor. Jeff Lopez was a shot back at 44 and Mike Wolf shot a 47. "We were consistent, but we need to be about four strokes lower," Ogle said. "We took a lot of puts tonight." Belding 177 Lowell 191 Golf, cont'd. pg. 20

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**EVERY 1ST MONDAY:** V.F.W. Post 8303 meets at the V.F.W. Clubroom, 307 E. Main St. Lowell at 7 p.m.

**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:** Alzhemiers Support Group meets at 6:30 p.m. at Cumberland Retirement Village. Phone 897-9310 for information.

**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.

**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 4TH THURSDAY:** Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) meets at the High School during lunch periods in the cafeteria for updates on coming events and information.

**EVERY 5TH THURSDAY:** MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) meeting from 9:45 a.m. - noon at Saranac Community Church. Pre-register. Childcare provided. 642-6322. Begins in Sept.

**EVERY 6TH THURSDAY:** 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 TUESDAY:** Ladies Coffee break Bible study. Free nursery and preschool story hour/crafts time. Calvary Christian Reformed Church across from Burger King. 10 to 11:15 a.m.

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

**EVERY 3RD TUESDAY:** Children with A.D.D./A.D.H.D. Issues Group meeting at St. Lukes Lutheran Church, 32156 4-Mile N.E. (at the intersection of 4-Mile and the East Beltline). at 7 p.m. For information call Linda at 874-5662.

**EVERY 1ST TUESDAY:** 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.

**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.**

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**THURS., SEPT. 3:** Vergennes Cooperative Club will meet at Schneider Manor at 1 p.m. Hostesses: Joyce Hanshire, Char Siciliano and Esther Staal. Program: Mary Beth Quillin-Gregor, storyteller/actress. Sponsor, Evelyn Briggs.

**WED., SEPT. 9:** Snow United Methodist Church will serve a family style turkey and dressing dinner at 5:30 p.m. Adults, \$6; 5-12, \$2.

**SUN., SEPT. 13:** St. Mary Parish 5th annual festival, 402 Amity St. from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Pig roast, adults \$6; children 12 & under \$4; kid's hot dog meal \$3. Take-outs are welcome. Live auction, Bingo, raffle, door prizes and children's games. Country store with jams, pickles, craft items, etc.

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

**Special Events**  
**WED., SEPT. 2:** 8 a.m., Men's traveling breakfast. **FRI., SEPT. 11:** 9:30 a.m., Hackley/Hume Houses, Muskegon.  
**WED., SEPT. 2:** 9:30 - 11:15 a.m., Blood pressure. **MON., SEPT. 14:** 12:30 p.m., Shopping at Meijers.  
**THURS., SEPT. 3:** 12:15 p.m., Dance - Westside Complex. **TUES., SEPT. 15:** 10:30 a.m., Wellness class.  
**MON., SEPT. 7:** Labor Day, center closed. **WED., SEPT. 16:** 9:30 a.m., Advisory council.  
**FRI., SEPT. 18:** 12:45 p.m., Reminisce.  
**TUES., SEPT. 8:** Noon, Potluck picnic. **MON., SEPT. 21:** 12:30 p.m., Shopping Value City.  
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## Lowell soccer team blasts Ionia; prepares for Saxons and Rangers

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell completed the nonconference part of its early season soccer schedule with a decisive 7-2 win over Ionia.

The Red Arrows (3-0) will take a three game-winning streak into their first week of conference play. Lowell will face the 1997 defending OK White champion (Hastings) on Tuesday and visit the 1996 OK White champion on Thursday (Forest Hills Central).

The early season matchups with the soccer powers may provide an early window to the season ahead in the league.

"I believe we're very capable of beating both Hastings and Forest Hills Central," Lowell soccer coach Dave Wydock divulged.

With that said, Wydock knows the challenge is a significant one.

"Hastings lost some of its leaders, but it returns its speed and that is what killed us last year," Wydock explained. "We have more firepower, a better defense and some good keepers."

Cory London did a good job of keeping the Bulldogs out of the Lowell goal in

### Red Arrow girls upend Belding

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The Red Arrow girls basketball team did, in its season opener against Belding, what took 17 games to do last year - win.

Strong bench play from Jodi Seif and Laura LaHaye lifted Lowell to a 39-34 win over the Redskins.

"We outrebounded Belding (31-24) and we took care of the basketball late in

Lowell's win over Ionia.

The Red Arrow allowed one goal in the first half, igniting Lowell to a 4-1 lead.

Lowell's Jacob Billingsley, the second half keeper, also allowed just one goal.

"We had moments of brilliance, but we should have

the game," said Lowell girls basketball coach Ken Akers. "Seif and LaHaye gave us a lift coming off the bench."

In fact, Seif scored a team-leading nine points. The Red Arrow was four of seven from the floor and one of two from the foul line.

Lowell led 8-6 after one quarter of play and 16-15 at halftime. The Red Arrows outscored Belding 23-19 in

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scored another eight goals," Wydock said. "The boys executed well but missed some early goal opportunities."

Lowell's Jim Jastifer didn't miss many. The Red Arrow recorded the season's first hat trick as he creased the

### Golf, cont'd... From Page 18

A tough Candlestone course, took a bite out of the Red Arrow linksters.

"We didn't play that well and Belding did," said Lowell golf coach Jack Ogle.

Dan Barton led all Red Arrows with a round of 44. Kyle Hines shot a 46, Jim Gilchrist followed with a 48 and Keith Kemen finished with a 49.

"Kyle (Hines) has been consistent. He just needs to get stronger. He has really improved since last year," Ogle said.

Bulldog net three times.

Shaun Precious tallied two goals, Rich Tousley added a goal and an assist, Aaron Alsgaard scored one goal and Nick Blough added an assist.

The two teams played on a wet rain-soaked field. "That

usually favors the underdog,"

Wydock said. "We had everything working. These guys are together and are looking for one another. Someone is always stepping up and getting the job done."

club upended the Red Arrows.

"Ionia is a strong local team who will do very well in their league," Lowell golf coach Jack Ogle explained.

Lowell freshman Wade Gilchrist carded a team-best 41. Dan Barton fired a 42 and Jim Gilchrist and Nick Collins finished with 47s.

Lowell opens league play on Thursday against Zeeland and Wyoming Park.

Ionia 156  
Lowell 177

A very strong Bulldog

## Lowell netters consistent throughout in Union whitewashing

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Grand Rapids Union girls' tennis team was literally out-classed on Wednesday.

Lowell, a senior-class-laden team, was too much for the freshman/sophomore dominated Red Hawks, as it won 8-0.

"Senior players tend to be more consistent," Lowell girls tennis coach Wendy Ackermann said. "Our consistency forced Union into making errors."

Consistency was a good thing because the Red Arrows' play their first dual match of the year was not at the level they had displayed in previous invitationals.

"I am pleased with our start to the season, but we have plenty of things to work on," Ackermann explained.

The Lowell coach pointed to play at fourth singles and second and third doubles as highlights in her club's win over Grand Rapids Union.

Kate Gunberg, fourth singles, straight set Aubrie Noel 6-1, 6-0.

"Kate kept her off guard and forced her into turnovers," Ackermann said.

Meg Jipping and Lisa Shockey, second doubles, won their match by the count of 6-0, 6-1.

"They did a nice job at the net. The girls also placed their shots well and finished points," Ackermann said.

Ainsley Smit and Kate Yeo were 6-0, 6-1 winners at third

doubles. "Their play was very consistent," Ackermann explained.

In other doubles matches, Amber Petersen and Colleen Mandel posted a 7-5, 6-0 win in their first match.

Laura Douglass and Mandy Phillips were 6-0, 6-1 winners at fourth doubles.

In first singles play, Amy Snell defeated Bonnie Chiu 6-1, 6-2.

Liz Lonick, second singles, was a 6-3, 6-0 victor over Jenny Krasinski while Kim Meiste, third singles, defeated Kelly Tran 6-1, 6-1.

### Ionia Invitational

A make-shift doubles lineup and inconsistent play spelled a long day for the Red Arrows at the Ionia Invitational.

"It just wasn't a good day. We had a number of our doubles players missing," said Lowell tennis coach Wendy Ackermann.

The top Red Arrow performance was handed in by Lowell's third singles player Kim Meiste.

After gaining a bye in the first round, Meiste defeated her Lakewood counterpart 6-2, 6-3.

The Red Arrow lost in the championship round to Charlotte, 6-3, 6-2.

"Kim played very aggressively and served very well," Ackermann said. "She dominated in her game against Lakewood."

Lowell placed sixth at the invitational. It will host Greenville on Thursday.

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the second half.

"We missed a lot of easy shots and layups," Akers said. "I think some of that can be attributed to opening day jitters and nervousness."

Lowell connected on just 29 percent (16-of-55) of its shots.

"I'm sure some of that had to do with last year. This is a step in the right direction," Akers said. "Once we begin playing with confidence, this is going to be a nice team."

Other than Seif's nine points, Lowell got eight points from Bethany Fredline, and seven from Rachael Fredline and Amanda Stoutjesdyk.

Stoutjesdyk and Nicole Arnett led the Red Arrows in rebounds with six apiece.

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# BUSINESS DIRECTORY



## Five-year contract with Rockford Ambulance less costly

By J.N. Boorsma  
Contributing Writer

The red flashing lights and the siren of the Lowell Ambulance will continue to be seen and heard in the city of Lowell at \$1,000 less per year. At Monday night's council meeting, the Lowell City Council unanimously approved a five-year contract with Rockford Ambulance, which operates as Lowell Ambulance in Lowell. The only change in the new agreement was the fee

the city paid the ambulance service, which dropped from \$3,000 per year to \$2,000. The \$1,000 drop was in recognition of the Lowell Ambulance paying its remaining obligations to the Look Memorial Fire Station. "The Lowell Ambulance has been successful over the years and we want to give that back to the city," said Roger Morgan, general manager at the ambulance service. The fee goes toward capital replacement costs, but does

not cover everything, Morgan said. Acting as the Lowell Ambulance, the Rockford Ambulance has been serving the Lowell area since 1988. In 1993, a formal agreement was entered into by the city and the ambulance service. This agreement basically identifies the insurance and responsibilities of the city and the agency.

## Ice rink topic of special Sept. 22 meeting

By J.N. Boorsma  
Contributing Writer

Children racing across the ice in a game of tag... young couples on a date of ice skating... grandparents teaching their grandchildren the finer points of ice skating. These are all scenes that a group of Lowell residents hope to bring back to the city with the re-creation of an ice rink at one of the city parks. And the possibility of an ice rink will be the topic of discussion at a special public information meeting set for 7 p.m. September 22 at the Englehardt Library. The meeting will feature a presentation of findings on the ice rink study.

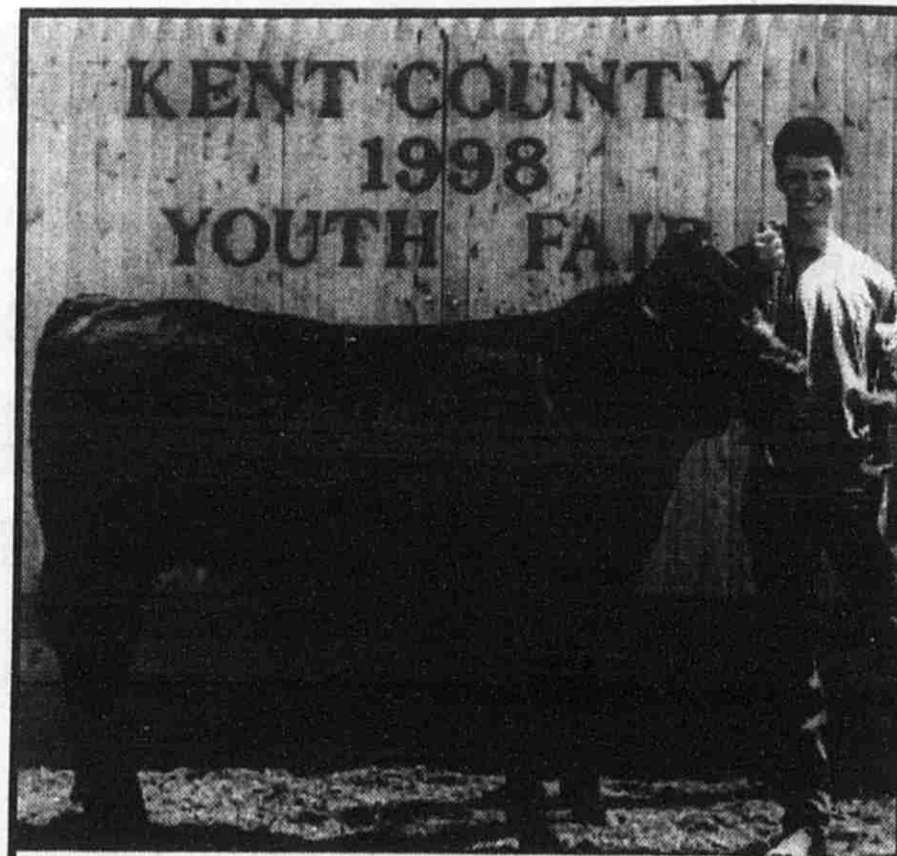
The idea of the rink was brought forth by Lowell resident Bruce Walter, who was one of the city residents active in developing and maintaining a rink for a number of years. The effort of keeping up a rink has fallen to the wayside, but Walter said he believed it was a healthy and worthwhile activity that the community should bring back. So much so that Walter pitched the idea to both the Lowell City Council and the Lowell Area School District Board of Education.

Walter emphasized the fact that he believed the biggest help in maintaining a rink, whether outside or inside, was the need to have a refrigeration system.

He caught the attention of the city council, which sent his idea to the city's Parks and Recreation committee, which in turn had the study done on the possibility of the city having an ice rink.

City manager David Pasquale said the study looks at both indoor and outdoor rinks, along with location, and other factors. One of the factors will be that of cost, which Pasquale said he is not certain the city can cover alone.

"I know there are a number of people very interested in this," Pasquale said, adding that without a group effort in covering the cost, he didn't know how soon the city could build an ice rink.



## Ford Grand Champion

Bob Ford's limousin steer, Houdini, won the honor Grand Champion steer at this year's Kent County Youth Fair. The steer weighed 1,265 pounds and was purchased by D&W at the livestock auction. Ford is the son of Doug and Karen Ford of Lowell and is a member of the East Kent Beef 4-H Club.



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12 to 5 PM

Parade  
11 AM

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10 AM....."5 Times Faster Band"

11:30 AM ..... Christy Ennis (acoustic guitar)  
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12:15 PM ..... "Prodigal Sons" - Christian Music

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7 to 11 PM.....Hit & Run Band (Variety Band)  
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