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Wells Done!

•••• Carol Wells' exemplary work over the past 33 years was honored by the Michigan Clerks Association at Michigan State University. The long-standing clerk has announced she will not rerun for the position in November of 2000.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
 Lowell Ledger Editor

There wasn't a township hall office for the newly elected Lowell Township clerk to move into following her election in 1966.

So township officials brought the office supplies to Carol Wells' farm house on 52nd St.

"They moved the desk, file and cabinet into my home," Wells recalls from her office at Lowell Township Hall (2910 Alden Nash) some 33 years later.

Wells, whose last term as township clerk ends in November of 2000, was honored at the Kellogg Center on the campus of Michigan State University by the Michigan Clerks Association.

Wells had the Township Clerk of the Year award bestowed upon her. It celebrated her lengthy time of service, her work and overall involvement in the township.

"It is just a great honor," Wells explained. "My feet still haven't got back down to earth."

Prior to being asked to run for the township clerk position back in 1966, Wells was approached about running for the treasurer's seat as a Democrat on the ballot.

"I had to tell them no, because I was a Republican."

Later they called on Wells again to run for clerk as the Republican representative. "I ran for the clerk's office because I couldn't think of a reason to say no."

Due to the lateness of the decision, Wells ran as a write-in. She was unopposed.

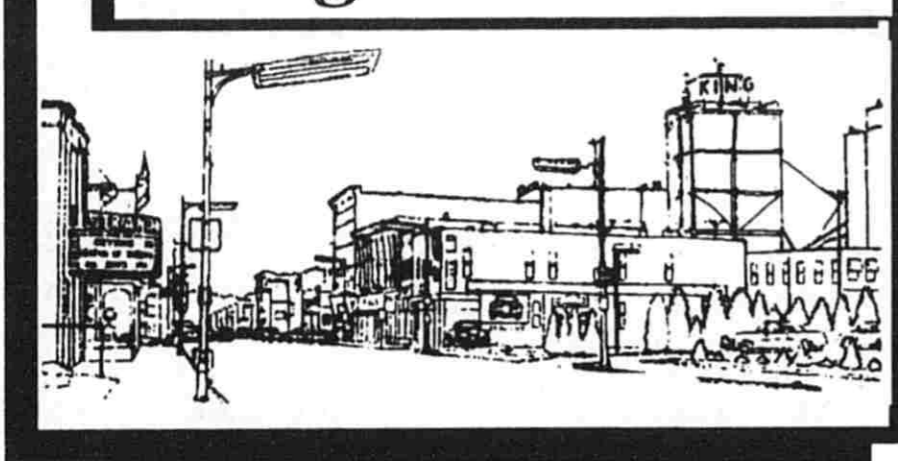
"I have loved this job and being involved in what's going on currently within the community," Wells said. "It's also given me an opportunity to learn and to meet many people."

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Carol Wells holds the plaque which was presented to her as the 1999 Michigan Township Clerk of the Year.

Along Main Street



TOTS ON TRACK

Tots on Track for School, an early childhood initiative of the Lowell Area Schools, will be sponsoring a community-wide sale of used baby and preschool clothing, toys, books and baby essentials on Saturday, April 24 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The sale will be held in the Runciman gym at 300 High St. Donations will be accepted the day of the sale for the new Flat River Ministries resale shop opening soon.

Space is still available to sell your outgrown baby and preschool items. Participation is free. Please call Kathy Cole at 897-8415 to reserve space.

RENAISSANCE PARTNERS

There will be a meeting on Monday, April 26 at 7:30 p.m. for all interested Renaissance parents and partners.

The meeting will be held in Lowell High School, room A105. Call Pat Yeo at 676-1761 if you have any questions.

FREE PRESCHOOL

Lowell High School Child Development class will again be running its annual preschool. It will begin April 26 and run through May 26 on an every other day schedule beginning at 11:20 a.m. until 12:50 p.m. Lunch will be served. Children between the ages of 3-5 are welcome.

The preschool will be held at the high school. For more information contact Marsha LaHaye at 897-4125.

PERSON OF THE YEAR

The Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce is accepting nominations for Person of the Year. Please mail a brief summary of the person you wish to nominate to: LACC, P.O. Box 224, Lowell, MI.

The deadline for nominations is Friday, April 30.

Extention of Grand River bike path tied to grant

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
 Lowell Ledger Editor

The Grand River Drive bike path runs from Buttrick to Snow Ave. before it abruptly ends.

This is a considerably shorter distance than length of time that Lowell Township residents have waited for the road resurfacing and bike path project to be extended to Kissing Rock.

Approximately, three years have passed since the Kent County Road Commission completed phase one (Buttrick to Snow Ave.) of its road resurfacing bike path project.

Phase two is scheduled to run from Snow Ave. to Bewell, with the final phase running from Kissing Rock to the upper bridge on Jackson St.

The time frame for the completion of the final two phases is unclear. What is clear, however, is that both will probably be tied to receiving enhancement grants from the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Jon Rice, managing director for the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), estimates the cost for phase two will be \$500,000.

Steve Warren, director of planning for MDOT, has applied for a \$150,000 enhancement grant.

"We're waiting to hear from them. We hope to hear by the end of the month (April)," Rice explained.

If the grant request is met, resurfacing of Grand River from Snow to Kissing Rock and the extension of the bike path can be started.

The remainder (\$350,000) of the half million dollar price tag will be covered by the road commission. "Grand River is considered a primary road, and work on primary roads are covered

by the road commission," Rice said. "But without the help of grant money we can't justify finishing the project at this time."

In its effort to complete the project, over the last three years, the commission has had to deal with changing criteria. "After phase one was completed, we no longer met the criteria needed to apply for an enhancement grant," Rice said.

After an extremely hard effort, the managing director feels the project will be looked upon in a more receptive fashion by MDOT.

Authorities pick up third suspect in robbery

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
 Lowell Ledger Editor

After nearly a year, officials nabbed the third and final suspect wanted in the March 1998 armed robbery at Lowell Burger King.

Ernest Terry (T.J.) Austin, 18, of Ionia, was picked up on a Michigan Governor's warrant (state extradition) after serving six months on a concealed weapons charge in Philadelphia, Pa.

"Austin had to be adjudicated on that charge before

we could pick him up," said Lowell investigator/detective James Hinton.

Hinton and Ionia Lt. Dave Bulling traveled to Philadelphia to pick up Austin on Thursday, April 8. He was arraigned on April 14.

Austin was assisted in the armed robbery by Oran Muhqueed, 28, who is already serving time in state prison for his involvement.

Prior to his conviction in the Burger King armed robbery (\$1,700), Muhqueed had

served five years for another armed robbery.

Ryan Banks, 18, was

given probation for his involvement.

Hinton said future proceedings are pending.

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OBITUARIES

BARTOSH - Robert A. Bartosh, aged 68, of Saranac, passed away suddenly Wednesday, April 14, 1999. He was born February 14, 1931, in Ionia. He was a machine maintenance supervisor at Amway where he has been employed for 21 years. He married Mayiellieen Waldron February 25, 1956, in Saranac. Besides his wife he is survived by three sons Larry and Monique Bartosh, David Bartosh, and Dale and Joan Bartosh, all of Saranac; two daughters Darlene and Terry Roberts of Holton Lake

and Diana and Tom Whiteclock of Ionia; seven granddaughters and seven grandsons. Funeral services were held Saturday at the Saranac Community Church with Rev. Stanley Hagemeyer officiating. Interment Saranac Cemetery. Anyone wishing may make contributions to the Saranac First Responders in care of the funeral home. Arrangements by Lake Funeral Home, Saranac.

BOLLOCK - William J. Bollock, aged 89, formerly of Lowell, died on April 18,

1999, in Scottsdale, Arizona. Mr. Bollock was born in Topeka, Kansas, on June 13, 1909, the son of Joseph and Lena Bollock. The family moved to Fallsburg when he was a child. Mr. Bollock spent most of his professional life in the insurance business, representing such firms as Western Reserve Life and the Pioneer Fund. Early in his career he worked as a musician, directing the Bollock Band. He also helped organize and played for the Fallsburg Cubs, a local baseball team. Mr. Bollock was a member of the Honor Guard of the Fourth Degree in the Knights of Columbus. His wife Loella McLenithan Haynes predeceased him in 1988. He is survived by a daughter Diane L. Pollock of Virginia, and three grandchildren Jan, Joseph and Kristine Dart; surviving stepchildren are Ronald Haynes of Grand Rapids; Patricia Clark of Cortland, New York, and Linda Kirvan of Boston, Massachusetts. He is also survived by five sisters Catherine Geiger, Belding; Rosella Maloney, Lowell; Marie Stauffer, Rockford; Irene Vaughn, Lowell; Lucille Roth of New Jersey and two half-sisters Virginia Baxter, Ionia; and Joyce Crout, Lowell. Visiting hours will be on Thursday, April 22, from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell, with the Rosary at 7 p.m. The funeral mass will be

celebrated at 11 a.m. on Friday at St. Mary's Church in Lowell. Burial will be at St. Mary's Cemetery in Lowell. Arrangements by Roth-Gerst, Lowell.

FONGERS - Mr. Kenneth Fongers, aged 69, of Grand Rapids, passed away Saturday morning, April 17, 1999. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Betty Jean; his children Jim and Marcy Fongers; Ken and Jo-D Lynn Fongers; Nancy and Dean Monson; eight grandchildren, Jennifer and Nicole Fongers, Bart, Mitchel, Austin, and Kaitlyn Fongers, Justin and Kaitlyn Monson; brother Marvin and Sandra Fongers; sister Julia Nicloy; sister-in-law, Erma Fongers; step-sister Esther and Sid Schaap; step-brother Harold and Rita Baar; step-sister-in-law Betty Baar; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law Jack and Jean Wierenga, George and Shirley Wierenga, Bill and Betty Lou Wierenga, Jerry and Connie Wierenga; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents Thomas Fongers, Gertrude Fongers Baar; step-father Peter Baar; a brother Donald Fongers; and a step-brother Richard Baar. Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Berean Bible Church, with Pastor Gary Leyendecker officiating. Private Interment Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. Memorial contributions may be made to the Grace Youth Camp in Mears, Michigan or

the American Heart Association.

SICILIANO - Mr. Paul Tower Siciliano, aged 39, of Indianapolis, IN, on Monday, April 12, 1999, at 12 noon, my champion and son Tower, after a courageous battle for life, died from injuries resulting from an accident April 7, 1999, while driving his beloved Harley "Fat Boy." Tower was preceded in death by his father Antanio "Tone" A. Siciliano. Surviving are his mother Diane Siciliano; fiancée Lynda M. Goekke; brother Trent Anthony Siciliano; sisters Toni Kay (Brian) Postema, Tina (David) Cadwallader, Lisa Ann Siciliano; nieces and nephews Lisa, Erika, Sarah

Postema, Heather, Heidi Cadwallader, Matthew Siciliano, Cheyenne Siciliano; aunts and uncles Sam (Anita) Siciliano, Carmello "Sonny" (Joann) Siciliano, Frank (Pearl) Siciliano, Alfredo "Fred" (Sandy) Siciliano, Andrew "Andy" (Sherry) Siciliano, Albert "Chickie" (Anita) Siciliano, Linda (Joe) Harasim, Paul (Penny) Yost, Joann (Glen) Johnson; and many cousins, relatives and friends. Funeral services were held Friday at Ronan-Vanderpool-Stegenga Funeral Chapel. Interment Oakwood Cemetery of Lowell. Memorial contributions may be made to Indianapolis Children's Museum or local hospice.

Veen Observatory begins visitor nights

The James C. Veen Observatory near Lowell begins its 1999 series of visitor nights with two evening open houses on Friday and Saturday, April 23 and 24. The twin-domed observatory will be open to the public from 7 to 11 p.m. both evenings. Observation of celestial objects through large telescopes when sky conditions permit will be available to visitors.

at 7 p.m. on April 23 and 24, visitors will have the opportunity to view these dramatic events if the sky is clear. As darkness falls, around 8:30 p.m., the moon, Venus and other wonders of the night sky will come into view.

Regularly scheduled visitor nights will resume on the second and last Saturday of each month through October 9, sky conditions permitting. Visitors may call for updates and cancellations prior to arrival at 456-3663 or 897-7065. Visitor nights hours are from 9 to 11:30 p.m. through July; then revert to 8:30 to 11 p.m. in August, September and October. Admission to the observatory is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children under age 12. Visitors are encouraged to bring their own flashlights and insect repellent for maximum enjoyment.

Observatory visitors are encouraged to take Cascade Road to 36th St., going east four miles to Kissing Rock Road, and then north one-third mile to the observatory, which will be clearly marked. There is a one-fourth mile walk from the parking lot to the observatory.

The James C. Veen Observatory is a facility of the Grand Rapids Amateur Astronomical Association, and is operated with financial and staff assistance from the Public Museum of Grand Rapids.

For additional Veen Observatory information and status updates, please call 897-7065 or 456-3663.

Vergennes Township brings aboard new planner

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Vergennes Township has hired Jay Kilpatrick of Williams & Works as its planner of record.

He replaces Marc Daneman, of Daneman & Associates, who served as the township planner from October of '98 through March of '99.

The board stated that it felt Daneman created a lot of work for himself, and did not listen to expressions of constraint.

Williams & Works is also contracted by the township to help with its master plan.

"The master plan is going

well and the board feels comfortable with the communication it is receiving from Williams & Works," said Vergennes Township supervisor, Tim Wittenbach.

As planner, Kilpatrick will serve the township as an extension of its staff, directing his efforts toward the needs and interests of the township.

Williams & Works will provide professional planning support to the township in the implementation and administration of the township zoning ordinance and in conducting special studies and providing consultation to the

planning commission on an as-needed, as-directed basis.

The work will include reviewing submitted site plans to evaluate compliance with township zoning ordinances; assisting and advising the planning commission in evaluating the potential implications of particular forms and development; reviewing requests to rezone or receive variances in the completion of special studies and projects; and attending meetings when requested.

No work will be conducted by the firm without prior authorization.

AREA BIRTHS

John and Kristin Throop, of Charlottesville, VA, would

like to welcome Clare Elisabeth Throop to this wonderful world.

She was born March 26, 1999, weighing 7 lbs. 3 oz. and measuring 19 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Marcy

Hale of Lowell, Pat McDonough of Texas, and Al and Claudia Throop of Lake Odessa.

Great-grandparents are Roger and Muriel Hale of Lowell, Harold and Mildred Timmerman of Nunica and Culvert and Ila Throop of Harrison.

She has many uncles, aunts, cousins and family welcoming her home.

IN THE SERVICE

Stephanie A. Schulte has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program at the U.S. Army Recruiting Station, Wyoming, MI.

The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year.

The enlistment gives the new soldier the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as \$50,000 toward a college education.

Schulte, a student at Lowell High School, will report to Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla., for basic training on July 15, 1999.

She is the daughter of Teri L. and Stephen C. Schulte of Lowell.

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Reflections Of Faith

By: Rev. William Renkema
Calvary Christian Reformed Church

The news was unbelievable. The other disciples of the Lord told Thomas that they had seen Jesus, alive and well. Thomas had not been there when it happened. He had missed out on the excitement. He doubted that they had seen what they said they had seen. Of course he doubted! Unless you are dreaming or hallucinating, you do not talk to dead people. Dead people do not

walk around and appear to people. So Thomas said what I might have said, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it."

Why did he think that way? If I were him, I probably would have been basing my doubt on my real life experiences. Dead people do not come back to us alive, no matter how much we miss them or need them. I have been there. I KNOW this to be true. Maybe that is what was going on with Thomas. If it was, then He, like I, judged God on the basis of human experience. It is too easy to say, "In my experience God..." as if my limited, human experience of reality determines who God is and what He does.

It was a week later. The disciples were in the same house in which the risen Lord had appeared to them a week earlier. This time Thomas was with them. The doors were locked, but they had no power over the risen Lord. He came anyway, and stood among the disciples. "Peace to you," He said. Then He spoke to Thomas. "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

Thomas must have been in shock. God HAD done the impossible, the unexpected.

He had done what Thomas and I KNOW never happens. So much for trusting our own experiences! Jesus was alive and standing right in front of him, telling him to stop doubting, telling him to believe. What else could Thomas say but, "My Lord and my God!" Then Jesus said, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

When I read that story in John 20, I see Jesus with the eyes of faith He has given me. I hear Him speak words that grab my heart and shake me: "Stop doubting and believe."

I guess maybe I should feel blessed. I am one of those who have not seen the risen Lord with my physical eyes, and yet have believed. However, the only reason I am counted among believers is that God has used the words of Christ to shake me out of my limited and sinful view of life into a more Biblical, godly view of life. I, like Thomas, respond in amazement, "My Lord and my God!" Yet I need constant reminders. The doubts too easily return.

If you have seen the risen Lord with eyes of faith, was it like that? You doubted. Jesus was not real enough to you to make a major impact on your life. You wanted more con-

crete proof, something you could see, touch, hear, experience. What the church taught was not enough for you. Then you heard the Jesus' words, "Stop doubting and believe," and they cut you to the core. You realized that they were meant for you. Was it like that for you?

Sometime after the resurrection, five of the disciples were fishing. They had fished during the night, but the fish were not biting. Then Jesus appeared on the shore and said, "Throw out your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." They did that, and the net was so full of fish that they could not haul it in.

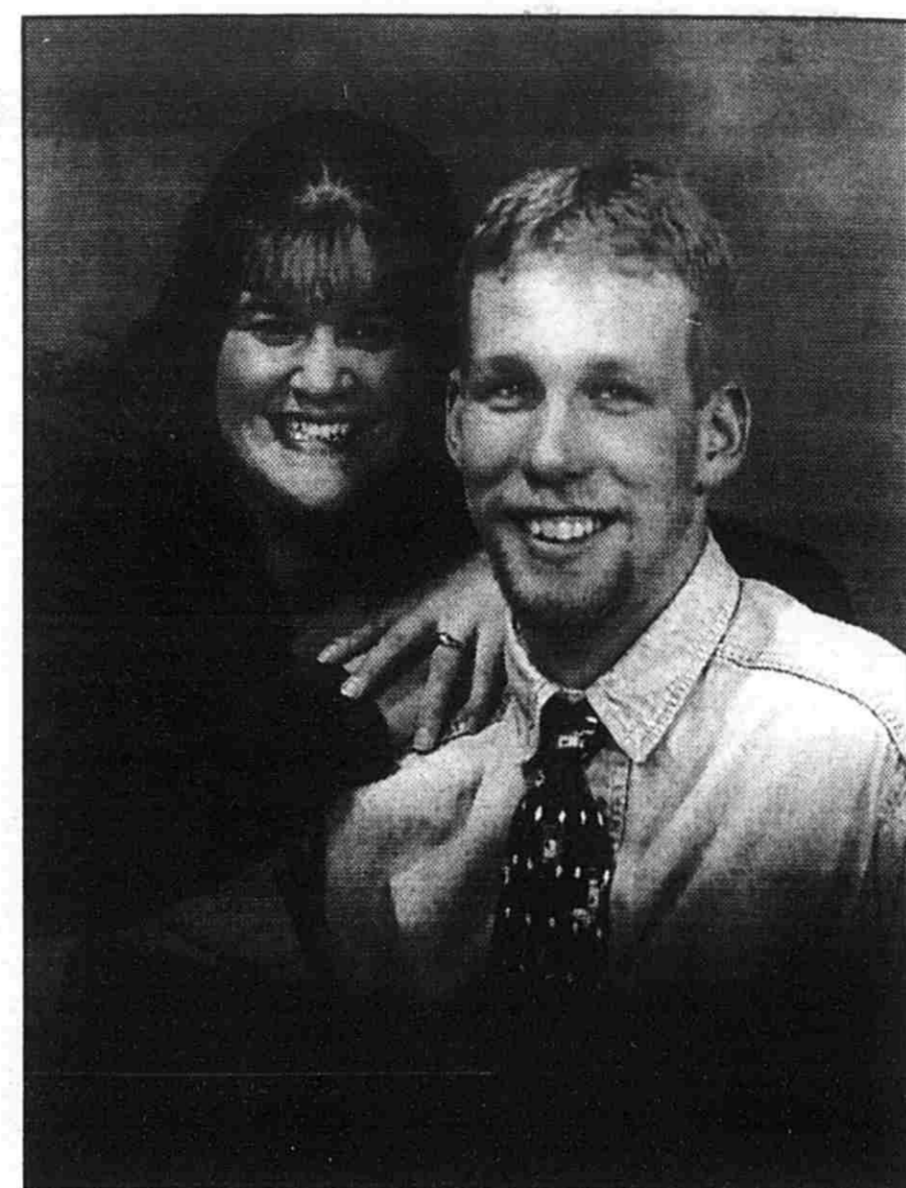
If you have seen the risen Lord with eyes of faith, was it like that? You realized that a miracle had occurred and that it came from the resurrected Lord. Maybe it was the miracle of new faith, maybe a healing, maybe a victory over sin, maybe an answer to prayer. You sensed God's power and it convinced you and turned you to the Bible so that you believed.

Have you seen the risen Lord through eyes of faith? I hope so, more than anything else. See Him, believe in Him, confess your sins, be changed by His power. Resurrection from the dead will then be your future also.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

APRIL 22 - Mallorie VanderWarf, Tim Hill, MacKenzie Hacker, Sharon Potter.
APRIL 23 - Nathan Roudabush, Jonathan Dixon, Karen Merriman, Nicole Cummings.

APRIL 24 - Gary Goff, Trevor Foss, King Doyle, Don Shaffer, Logan Propst.
APRIL 25 -
APRIL 26 - Casey Brown, Marsha Ray, Bonnie Baird.
APRIL 27 - Janice Ryder, Dennis Pretzel.
APRIL 28 - Terese Brown, Timmy Vezino, Shawna Austin, Katie Hildenbrand.



Debra Wieland and Stephen Hoeksema

Wieland and Hoeksema plan June wedding

William and Carol Wieland of Lowell and Mark and Ruthellen Hoeksema of Hudsonville are happy to announce the engagement of their children, Debra and Stephen. The bride-to-be graduated from Lowell High School and received a bachelor of science degree in education from Grand Valley State University. The future groom is a graduate of Covenant Christian High School and Grand Valley State University where he received a bachelor of science degree in biology. The couple is planning a June 18, 1999, wedding.

AREA BIRTHS

Randy and Diana (Keim) Schultz of Pico Rivera, California, joyfully announce the birth of their son Michael Vern. He was born on April 1, 1999, weighing 7 lbs. 1.6 oz. and measuring 20 inches long. Welcoming him home were big brother Ryan and big sisters Laura and Melissa. Proud grandparents are Walt and Marilyn Nickless of Lowell and Ron and Sherrie Schultz of Swartz Creek. Great-grandparents are Eunice Keim of Lowell, Pauline Beaubien of Flint and Ada Schultz of Margate, Florida.

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School Menus

Week of 4/26 - 4/30

ELEMENTARY

MON: Ravioli, California blend veg, French bread/margarine, apple or canned fruit, milk.

TUES: Hot dog in a bun, tater tots, baby carrots, peach crisp or fruit, milk.

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

THURS: Pizza w/meat, cheese & pepperoni, side salad, fruit juice (punch, grape), fruit pudding parfait, milk.

FRI: Corn dog on a stick or peanut butter & jelly sandwich, corn, assorted fruit, milk.

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOLS

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

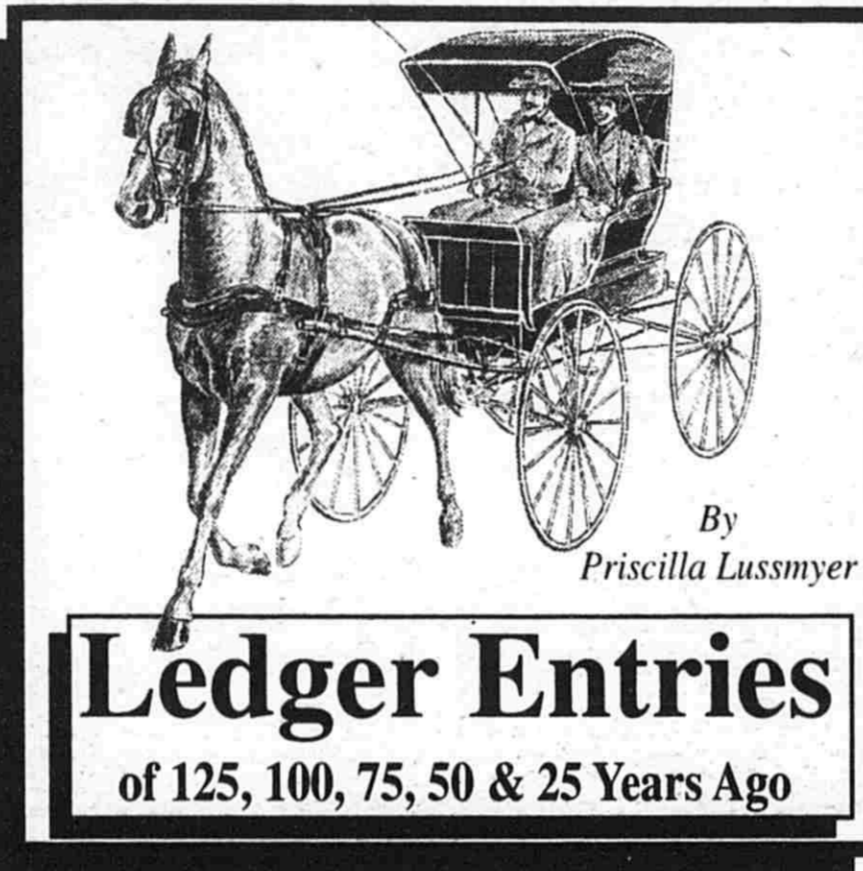
TUES: Monster hot dog or crispiito w/cheese, chef salad w/bread, cheeseburger or yogurt; choose 2: baked potato, turkey noodle soup or side salad; peach crisp or canned fruit, milk.

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

THURS: Pizza w/meat, cheese & pepperoni, pork rib sandwich, yogurt, chef salad, cheeseburger; choose 2: oven fries, side salad or juice; fruit pudding parfait or fruit, milk.

FRI: Nacho pieces w/meat & cheese, lasagna w/bread, cheeseburger, chef salad or yogurt; Choose 2: corn, baby carrots or side salad; muffin, fruit selection, milk.

Viewpoint . . .



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

125 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL WEEKLY JOURNAL - APRIL 22, 1874
Fifty million feet of logs are coming down the Flat River in this first part of the drive.

A large number of our businessmen are taking their meals downtown, now that spring cleaning time is here. They don't want to be in the way.

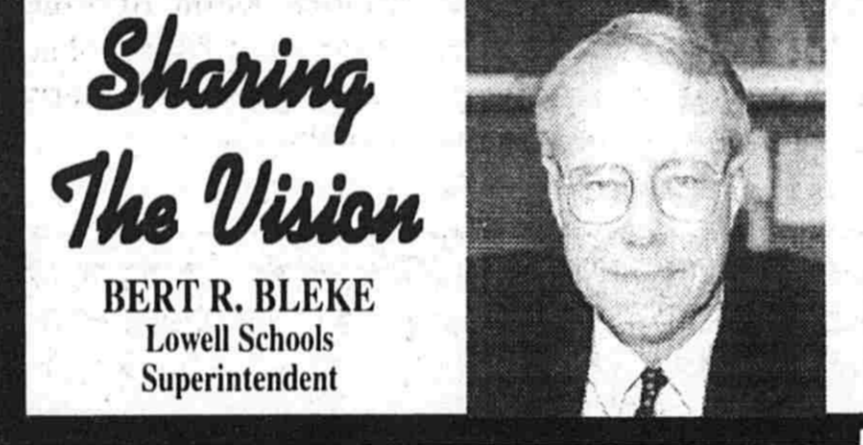
A bill has been introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives that government officers will receive nothing but their salaries for their services, doing away with the "moiety system."

The Grange movement is growing rapidly, chiefly in opposition to "extortions of railroad companies."

100 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - APRIL 20, 1899
Algermon "Alge" Gardner, whose letters from shipboard, last at Manila, has died of smallpox. He was in Co. G, Fourth US Infantry.

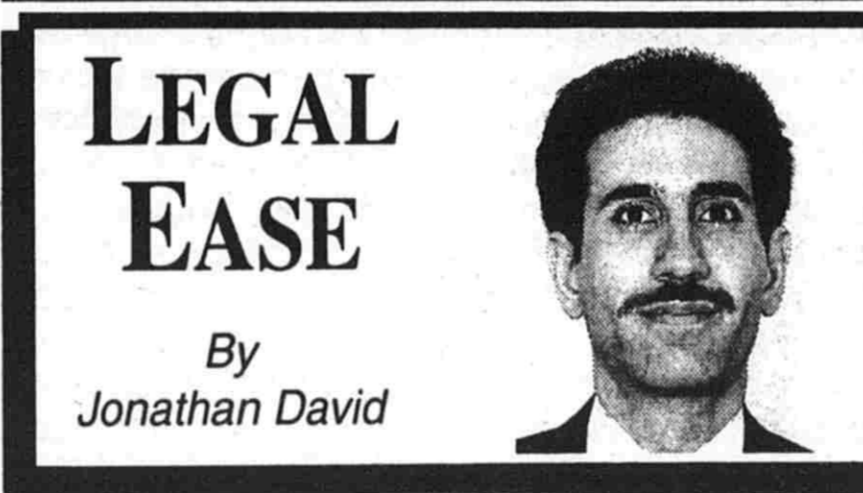
The arbutus is blooming, and boys and girls of northern Michigan are gathering it in huge quantities.

Coal has been found at Lyons, and prospecting will soon begin in earnest to determine the quantity.



Cooperation - a) the ability to work together toward a common end or purpose; b) an association of persons for mutual benefit.

Cooperation seems to be an attitude that is quite easy to talk about yet far more difficult to achieve. Intuitively, we know that by working together a school district or a community can achieve great things. Divided, with each going in separate directions, there is very little that can be done for the mutual benefit of our students or our citizens.



LEGAL EASE
By Jonathan David
DEAR JONATHAN - I am married and we have three young children. My husband is a salesman and he has a heavy travel schedule. I have told him on more than one occasion that he needs to prepare a will to protect me and the kids in the event something ever happens. He keeps saying he will do it, but it keeps getting put on the back burner. If my husband were to die without leaving a will, what would be the consequences to me and the children?

JONATHAN SAYS: First of all, by failing to leave a will, your husband will be deemed to have died intestate and the end result to you as his surviving spouse is that you are partially disinherited. This is because under Michigan law when someone dies intestate, leaving a spouse and children who are the children of both the decedent and the surviving spouse, then the surviving spouse is entitled to the first \$60,000 plus one-

Oil or gas on the Chicago River took fire Monday and burned several properties along the banks before firemen put it out.

75 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL LEDGER AND ALTO SOLO - APRIL 18, 1924

Every civilized nation in the world except Great Britain and the United States uses the metric system.

Michigan adopts a standardized system of road signs. The black-on-white signs are distinctively shaped: round-railroad; diamond - slow; octagon - stop; square - caution.

A Willys-Knight 5 passenger sedan is selling at Gould's Garage for \$1,695, f.o.b. Toledo.

Marshal Pat Bowes is endorsed for his work in ridding Lowell of bootleggers and moonshine.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - APRIL 21, 1949

The C. Thomas Store is remodeled and redecored and is now an up-to-date self-service grocery.

The directors of Lowell Showboat Inc. have voted to extend the show one more night, to six nights this year. This will be the 14th showboat.

Lowell subscribers will now place their calls with the local operator for Grand Rapids, Ada, Alto and Grattan, but will not have to pay long-distance charges. The new directory is out, and the changeover has been perhaps the largest in the country.

The Hoover Commission reports on reorganization of the Executive Branch of the national government are due to be heard in Congress.

25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER-SUBURBAN LIFE - APRIL 18, 1974

The Lowell Senior Center has games of cribbage Monday, bridge Wednesday and Euchre Friday afternoons.

Groundbreaking ceremonies are held for the new \$60,000 Showboat amphitheatre.

Bob Ellis donates his 40th pint of blood to the Michigan Community Blood Center in Grand Rapids. That's a Five-Gallon pin.

City Council looks at plans to beautify the river area, replace old sidewalks and enforce the 2-hour parking limit on Main Street.

Achieving cooperation is difficult and challenging. It is, at a minimum, very hard work. This week, two issues of long-term importance to the community of Lowell are being discussed. The first is the prospect of a community swimming pool. The other is that for the first time, local leaders from the townships of Vergennes and Lowell, the city of Lowell, and the school district will have listened to speakers discuss possibilities regarding land use and ecology for the Lowell area.

Both issues are important to the long-term future of the Lowell area and will require cooperation and vision from our community leaders and our community members. Absent these two critical characteristics, it is difficult to envision Lowell emerging as the best possible place for all of its citizens to live, play, work and attend school.

By all accounts, the community of Lowell will continue to grow. How it grows, where it grows and with what quality it will grow is dependent upon the ability of our community to work together for the common good. The community swimming pool committee has, for the past several years, offered an excellent example of community partnership. Over the years, representatives of all of our local political entities have worked

To The Editor

Dear Editor:
Shopping locally is great for our community and I always try to do so. Yesterday, I went to Erb Lumber looking for two small pieces of wood for a repair job on a doll bed for our daughter.

It was such a small request. The gentleman in the yard helped me find two scrap pieces, cut one of them to the size I needed and the two men at the counter were cheerful as well. I was in and out in less than five minutes.

I just wanted to say publicly - Thank you to Erb Lumber for the exceptional treatment and to remind everyone to support our local businesses.

Maruszka Hufstader

To the City Commission of Lowell:
1. What is the status of the Lowell Showboat (besides sinking)? Are there plans to rebuild and/or repair this symbol of Lowell or let it waste away in front of the citizens of Lowell and the visitors of this community? Continuing to allow the boat to deteriorate in front of our eyes is obviously not the answer.

If Mr. Englehardt could have foreseen the future, I am willing to wager that the boat would be fixed or completely rebuilt before any further spending of his generous donation was put to use. Unless the boat is rebuilt or repaired, it may be time to rename the city of Lowell something different than Showboat City.

Perhaps we can hold a contest in the Ledger and submit new nicknames for the city with the winner receiving ownership of the Showboat. With personal ownership of the Showboat, the city of Lowell can then in turn fine that person until the eyesore is removed from the water. I may be on to something...?

In summary - Fix the boat.
Thank you,
Eric Potter

together in cooperation to find answers to a community pool concept that will be mutually beneficial for all. Of course, the final decision regarding a community pool is up to the voters. That is as it should be. The lesson, however, should not be lost - that being, through cooperation, our community can create solutions to issues that can benefit all.

Many challenges will face this community in the future. Endeavors such as the community pool and land ecology are but two such challenges which will test the community and its leadership. As we face these concerns and opportunities, it would be wise to remember the simple words of Benjamin Franklin who stated plainly, "If we do not hang together, we will surely hang separately."

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

on behalf of your children because all of the assets would flow to you. Consequently, you would be free to do with those assets as you wish without having to account to the probate court.

(3) He cannot make any gifts to any other persons or charities because he can only do this with a will. If he dies without a will, these people and/or charities would have no right to any assets of his estate regardless of his intent.
Having a will also becomes important in the event you have a taxable estate, which is an estate valued at more than \$625,000 this year. In this event, there is certain tax planning you and your husband can implement to minimize or eliminate the federal estate tax which will be due and owing upon the second spouse's death. However, this tax planning cannot be implemented unless the proper estate planning documents are prepared, which typically includes having each of you execute a will in conjunction with a trust.

Instead of just having your husband prepare a will, I recommend that the two of you meet with an estate planning attorney to review what type of estate planning is available and recommended to you based on your overall circumstances and your goals.

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

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL

For the Regular Meeting of MONDAY, APRIL 5, 1999.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Thompson and the Clerk called the Roll.

Present: Councilmembers Green, Shores and Mayor Thompson.

Absent: Councilmembers Blough and Myers.
Also Present: City Manager David Pasquale, City Treasurer Suzanne Olin, Public Works Director Daniel DesJarden, and Police Sergeant Steven Junewick.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to excuse the absence of Councilmembers Blough and Myers.

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

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN that the regular and closed session minutes of the March 15, 1999 meeting be approved as written.

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

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

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

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (04/05/99)

GENERAL FUND	\$64,985.79
MAJOR STREET FUND	231.04
LOCAL STREET FUND	2,432.26
DDA FUND	58.08
AIRPORT FUND	57.52
WASTEWATER FUND	29,549.71
WATER FUND	1,446.92
DATA PROCESSING	10,870.39
EQUIPMENT FUND	3,159.13
CURRENT TAX	24,544.98
LEE FUND	525.00
LOOK DALEY FUND	10,500.00

Item #1. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

A. 400 W. MAIN - MICHAEL'S FARM MARKET - LOT COVERAGE VARIANCE - PUBLIC HEARING. Due to the absence of Boardmembers Blough and Myers, Thompson stated a decision could not be made regarding the variance for Michael's Farm Market. He said the zoning ordinance requires a quorum of at least four members present.

Thompson did offer the opportunity for those present to speak at the meeting. No comments were provided from the audience.

City Manager Pasquale noted Boardmember Myers would not be able to attend the April 19, 1999 Council meeting.

Thompson stated a special session could be held prior to the April 19, 1999 Council meeting. Pasquale stated notification of a special meeting should be posted at least eighteen hours before the meeting. After considering the possibility of a special meeting, the Board decided to table the matter until April 19. Thompson requested Pasquale send all available information concerning the variance to Michael Crawford as well as Scott and Barbara Carpenter for review prior to the next meeting.

No further action was taken.

B. WEST MAIN STREET - TACO BELL - SIGN VARIANCE - SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE (4/19). As part of a site plan review for the construction of a 2136 square foot Taco Bell restaurant on the north side of West Main Street between Admiral and Lowell Water Works, a request for a 109 square foot free standing sign was submitted. Under the Zoning Ordinance, 100 square feet is the maximum. The Planning Commission, at its March 22, 1999 meeting, recommended against the variance on a vote of 6 to 1.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by THOMPSON to set a public hearing for April 19, 1999 based on concurrence by the entire Zoning Board of Appeals to consider a sign variance for the new Taco Bell restaurant on West Main Street.

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

Item #2. REQUEST BY PATRICIA EVANS, 506 LAFAYETTE - USE OF UTILITY EASEMENT FOR GARAGE ADDITION. Patricia Evans of 506 Lafayette wished to construct a 24' X 32' garage addition to her residence. The addition would intrude four feet into a utility easement reserved when North Street (west of Lafayette) was vacated in 1995. Councilmember Shores noted Ms. Evans was not able to attend the meeting because of illness.

Department of Public Works Director Dan DesJarden met with Ms. Evans concerning the construction of the garage. DesJarden mentioned the easement through the property indicated no permanent structure or building shall be built within the right of way. He stated the proposed garage would be eight feet from the storm sewer. DesJarden added if repair work was needed on the storm sewer, a twenty foot wide ditch would have to be dug. DesJarden also noted a water main within 16 feet of the proposed garage. Thus, he did not believe the construction of the garage into the easement should be approved.

Councilmember Green had concerns for the safety of the family and property.

DesJarden stated in 1995 when the property was vacated, the Council stated no permanent structure shall be built. Pasquale mentioned Evans would be able to install a driveway.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to deny the request for the construction of a garage located at 506 Lafayette into the vacated North Street right of way where a utility easement is maintained.

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

Thompson requested a letter be sent to Ms. Evans explaining the Council's decision.

Item #3. REMOVAL OF TREES. Public Works Director DesJarden received a request concerning the removal of a box elder tree located on the corner of High and Washington Street (409 High). He also received a request for the removal of a sugar maple from the northwest corner of East Main and James. Both trees are within the public right of way. The following quotes were received:

	Popeye Tree Service	Poortenga Tree Service
High-Washington (including stump removal)	\$550.00	\$760.00
East Main - James (including stump removal)	\$550.00	\$675.00
	\$1,100.00	\$1,435.00

After reviewing the quotes, DesJarden recommended Popeye Tree Service be awarded the projects in the amount of \$1,100.00.

DesJarden also requested the Council consider removing a tree at the corner of Spring and Amity at the next meeting. He stated the tree is very thick and many branches fall. He also believed the tree was somewhat of a safety hazard when motorists travel westbound on Spring.

Mayor Thompson stated he would abstain from voting.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to accept the low bid from Popeye Tree Service in the amount of \$1,100.00 for removal of trees located at 409 High Street and from the northwest corner of East Main and James.

YEA: 2. (Green and Shores)
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 2. (Blough and Myers)
ABSTAIN: 1. (Mayor Thompson)
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #4. PURCHASE OF VIBRATORY RAMMER. As part of the adopted 1998-99 Operating Budget, Public

Works Director DesJarden proposed the purchase of a vibratory rammer (tamper). He mentioned the tamper would be used for ground compaction on construction projects. The following bids were received:
Hammersmith Equipment Co. (G.R.) \$2,050.00
Cowell Equipment Co. (G.R.) 2,110.00
Hasper Equipment Co. (Muskegon) 2,275.00

After reviewing the bids, DesJarden recommended the City purchase a vibratory rammer from Hammersmith Equipment Company in the amount of \$2,050, as allocated from the Equipment Fund (budget: \$ 3,187).

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to approve the bid of \$2,050 from Hammersmith Equipment for the purchase of a vibratory rammer.

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

Item #5. CITY HALL - POLICE STATION PROJECT. City Manager Pasquale stated the Building Authority held a meeting on Wednesday, March 31, 1999, and passed to initiate the financing process of the City Hall - Police Station project. A resolution of the Council was requested to file a notice of intent and the filing for approval to issue Building Authority bonds with the Michigan Department of Treasury. The issuance would not exceed \$4,000,000. Pasquale stated the issuance for review would be for the acquisition of property and for the construction.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to approve a resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the Michigan Department of Treasury in connection with issuance of Building Authority bonds, for the City Hall - Police Station project not exceeding 4 million dollars.

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

Pasquale stated the following parcels have been proposed for purchase:

A. Purchase of Bennett Parcel. As part of the adopted development plan, the purchase of a 66' X 132' parcel from Lowell Auto Body would accommodate a 15 space parking lot, immediately to the east of the proposed police station and south of Avery Street. Through review and negotiation, a purchase price of \$50,000 had been agreed upon.

IT WAS APPROVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to purchase the Bennett property for the amount of \$50,000 for the City to be reimbursed after a bond issue.

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

B. Purchase of 213 N. Monroe. The purchase of rental property, owned by Cy and Lorraine Floyd at 213 N. Monroe, has been proposed to be utilized as part of a 50 space parking lot immediately north of the City Hall/Police Station. Based on an appraisal, a purchase price of \$82,000 has been approved for a June 1, 1999 sale. The Floyds have requested the property be acquired under the threat of condemnation so they might comply with requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. This would allow avoiding payment of capital gains tax on the sale of the property. Pasquale mentioned City Attorney Richard Wendt prepared the resolution to accommodate this request, but stated by correspondence the City should be careful in not making any representations with respect to the Floyds' payment or non payments of capital gains taxes.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to adopt the resolution involving the purchase of 213 N. Monroe from Cy and Lorraine Floyd for \$82,000 with the City being reimbursed after a bond issue.

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

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to approve the resolution regarding the acquisition of 213 N. Monroe under the threat of condemnation.

YEA: 2. (Shores and Mayor Thompson)
NAY: 1. (Green)
ABSENT: 2. (Blough and Myers)

TOWN TALK

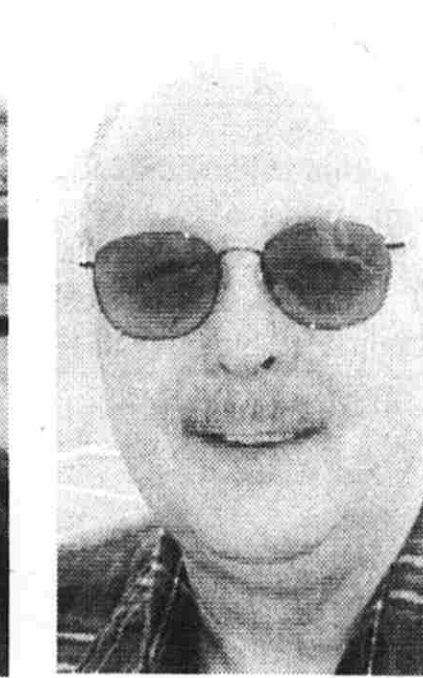
Based on Judge Wright's writing, she is holding President Clinton in contempt for his testimony. Do you think this will affect Ken Starr's decision on whether to indict the President after he's out of office or did Starr already have his mind made up?



Pete Land
Starr already had his mind made up. I don't think he will indict the President.



Charlie Briggs
People must follow the law. I think Starr should indict him now.



Ron Thomure
I think Starr's mind was already made up. I think he will go after the President.



Laura Brower
I think Starr's mind was already made up.



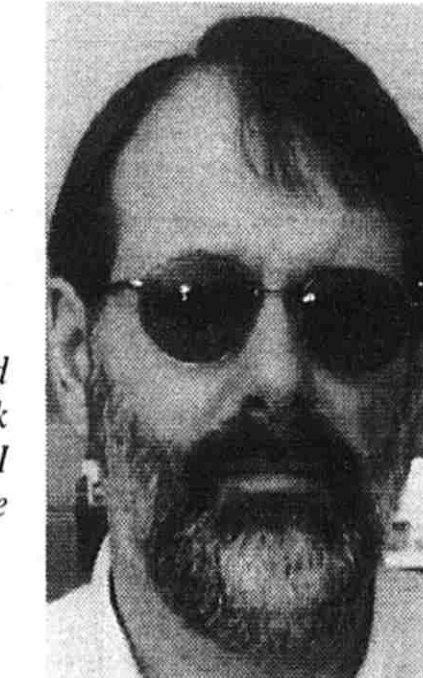
Dennis Finkler
I think he had already made up his mind to indict the President.



Wes Bigelow
I think he had his mind made up already. I doubt that he will indict the President.



Ray Jones
I think Starr already had his mind made up. I don't think he will indict the President. I don't think he wants to make any more waves.



Harry Hawn
Starr already said he thinks the independent council should be done away with, therefore, I don't think he should indict the President.



Jane Oliver
I think Starr already had his mind made up. I think he will do whatever he wants to do. He has only ever listened to himself.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

MOTION CARRIED.

Mrs. Floyd mentioned the resolution allows her two years to find another rental property before having to pay capital gains tax.

Mayor Thompson noted the City was not forcing anyone out of their homes because of the project. He appreciated the Floyds cooperating with the City. Thompson believed this would benefit the property owner and the City.

Item #6. REVIEW OF CITY LOGO PROPOSALS. Randi Trystaad of Fluid Design was present to review possible City logos. She mentioned several months ago Fluid Design was contracted to prepare a new logo for Lowell Cable TV and Light and Power.

Ms. Trystaad presented the Council with ideas involving the river, showboat and historical components. She felt the paddle wheel design was very distinct and would be the favored design. Thompson thought the paddle wheel resembled a gear rather than a paddle wheel. Pasquale added the design should be simple. Shores commented on how good the logos look for Cable TV and Light and Power. Green stated he liked the paddle wheel.

Ms. Trystaad stated more design could be added to the wheel to ensure that it does not resemble a gear. She cautioned that adding more detail to the logo would be difficult to place on City apparel.

Shores did not want the splash of water on the logo. Thompson stated the logos for Cable TV and Light and Power are very attractive.

With the information provided, Ms. Trystaad will submit a more detailed logo based on the Showboat paddle wheel.

Item #7. CITIZEN COMMENTS. Virginia Heydenberg of 280 Valley Vista Dr. requested an additional warning siren installed on the west side of town. She stated the two mobile home parks, Valley Vista development and Eastgate development are unable to hear the sirens. Pasquale stated Chief Valentine has been seeking grant funds for a siren to be installed on the west side. He noted the project would cost approximately \$30,000.

Pasquale added Valentine has been reviewing coverage areas outside the City limits.

Item #8. COUNCIL COMMENTS. Councilmember Shores commented on the M-21 construction. She thought the construction was to start in Ada and proceed towards Lowell. DesJarden stated the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) did not notify Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and Huber (FTC&H) that the firm had been awarded the construction (inspection) engineering job on the project until recently. Pasquale stated FTC&H has contacted all property owners along W. Main St. and plans to provide newsletters throughout the project.

Councilmember Green stated construction signs were not installed until the day of construction.

Councilmember Shores believed the detour was confusing.

Councilmember Green requested the engineer from FTC&H or a representative from MDOT attend the April 19, 1999 City Council meeting regarding this project.

Mayor Thompson stated he was retiring from politics after this year and would not seek reelection to the City Council. He encouraged others to seek election. Thompson stated all interested candidates must file a nominating petition no later than 4:00 p.m. on June 22, 1999. He noted City Clerk Pasquale would be able to answer any questions.

Item #9. MANAGER'S REPORT.

1. A copy of the Downtown Development Authority meeting minutes of February 25, 1999 was provided. Pasquale noted the Planning Commission meeting minutes were included under the Zoning Board of Appeals agenda item. At its March 25 meeting, the DDA allocated \$4,000 to the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce for the Fourth of July Fireworks to be held on Saturday evening, July 3. Laurels of Kent will contribute \$1,000 to this event. Mayor Thompson inquired regarding insurance issues. Pasquale responded the company (Melrose Pyro of Belding) providing the fireworks is fully insured carrying 5 million dollars in liability. They also will name the City and Chamber of Commerce as additional insured. Dale

Triplet, Chamber of Commerce boardmember has had the opportunity to review this thoroughly and is satisfied with this.

2. Nancy Crandall, President of the Michigan Municipal League will visit City Hall on Monday, April 26 at 11 a.m. Councilmembers are requested to attend.

3. Because of scheduling conflicts, the joint meeting with the DDA to be held at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 15 will be located at City Hall rather than the library.

4. In response to the Council inquiries regarding the Moonlight Video sign, a report from Zoning Administrator Bob Anderson was provided. Councilmember Green did not fully understand the report. Pasquale stated further information could be provided if necessary. Thompson did not believe the sign was much different than the McDonald's sign.

Item #10. APPOINTMENTS. Mayor Thompson stated Karin Hale does not wish to be reappointed to the Downtown Development Authority.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to reappoint Michael Sprenger to the Downtown Development Authority to a four year term expiring January 1, 2003.

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

Thompson stated there are vacancies on the Historic District Commission and the Downtown Development Authority.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN TO ADJOURN AT 8:27 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: Monday, April 19, 1999
William F. Thompson, Mayor
David M. Pasquale, City Clerk

Wells, continued... From Page 1

the township is a point of pride for Wells. "We built a township hall and later added on with no increase in millage. That's because we've watched our money carefully," Wells explained.

If the well-respected clerk had her druthers, she'd slow the township's growth. "We can't stop the growth, but we certainly can at least try to control it," Wells said. "This area is a

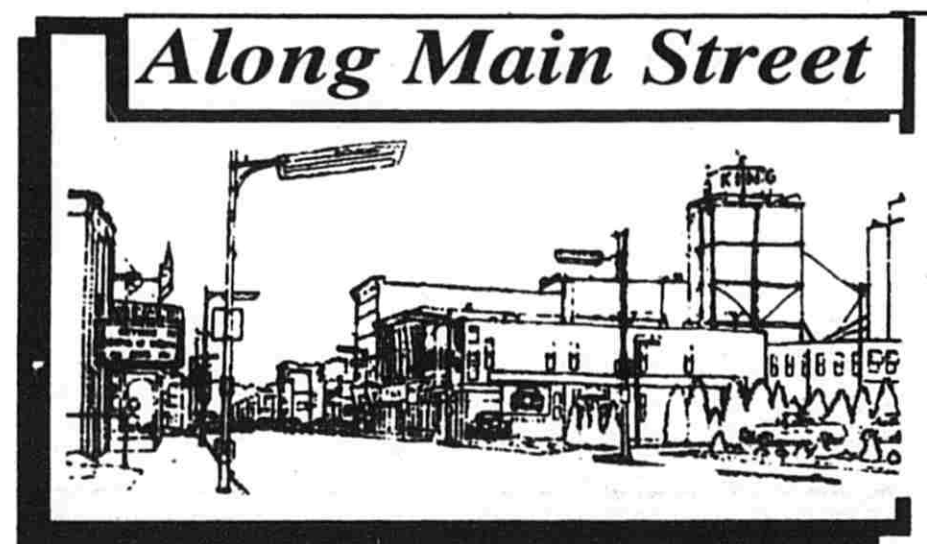
very nice area to live in, however, so it is probably going to continue to grow."

With growth, her job as clerk has brought with it more stress. "I'm not retiring; I'm going to find a part-time job with not as much stress," she says.

Wells and township supervisor John Timpson have already begun looking for someone to replace Wells. They'd

like her replacement to work with Wells a little before her final term runs out.

Wells is also in her 20th year as a member of the Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission. "Provided I'm re-appointed, I will probably continue to serve on the planning commission. I really enjoy that."



"GHOSTS ALONG THE GRAND"
Ghosts Along The Grand is the title of a program to be given by Dr. Carl Bajema at Lowell Township Hall at 7:30

p.m. on Wednesday, April 28. The program will review early Grand River history including former sites of sawmills, riverboat landings and other early Grand River sites.

This program is part of the Lowell Area Historical Association's 1999 program series. Light refreshments will be served following the program.

Iron rusts from disuse; stagnant water loses its purity and in cold weather becomes frozen; even so does inaction sap the vigor of the mind.

—Leonardo da Vinci

SOFTBALL! SOFTBALL!

The Lowell Branch YMCA still has openings for the adult summer leagues. Friday men's league starts April 30; coed church/open division starts May 3; Tuesday men's over 30 division starts May 4; Wednesday men's division starts May 5 and Thursday men's division starts on May 6.

Call the Lowell YMCA office at 897-8445 now to register your team.



The month of April gets its name from the Latin *aperire*, meaning "to open," as do the flower buds that month.

THE JEEP SPRING EVENT

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PROPOSED REZONING OF A CERTAIN PROPERTY FROM "RA" RURAL AGRICULTURAL TO "R1" LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL

Public notice is hereby given that the Vergennes Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on May 3, 1999 at 6:30 p.m. at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Dr., Lowell, Michigan 49331 concerning the application by John and Fran DeVries for 775 Alden Nash, Lowell, Michigan 49331 to amend the zoning ordinance to rezone the following described property from Rural Agricultural (RA) to Low Density Residential (R-1). The property is approximately 9.09 acres and is legally described as:

South 400 feet of south 20 acres of east 60 acres of NE 1/4 of section 33 Town 7 N., Range 9W. Permanent parcel #41-16-33-200-008.

The application and proposed zoning map change by John and Fran DeVries is on file at the Vergennes Township Hall and may be inspected during regular office hours of 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Public comment will be heard at the public hearing and written comments received by mail, in person or in the mail slot located at the office entrance will also be considered if received prior to 5:00 p.m. May 3, 1999.

Richard Gillett, Chairman
Vergennes Planning Commission 4-19-99

Accelerated Readers program beneficiary of ICNB's credit card program

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell's Accelerated Reader program, for a second consecutive year, is the beneficiary of Ionia County National Bank's (ICNB) hometown credit card program.



Jennifer Uphaus, middle, and James Fast, ICNB president and CEO, right, present Lowell superintendent Bert Bleke with a check for \$1,150.

James D. Fast, ICNB president and CEO, presented Bert Bleke, Lowell Area Schools superintendent, with a check for \$1,150.

Each time an account holder uses ICNB's hometown credit card, a portion of the transaction fee goes to fund the program. The money is divided among the school districts in each ICNB marketplace.

This year, Ionia, Belding, Lake Odessa, Lowell and Saranac Schools each received \$1,150.

"We are happy to share the success of the program with our local students," Fast said. "The monies donated may be used at the district's discretion."

Lowell's Accelerated Reader program enables Lowell students, in grades 2-5, to practice reading at a level in which

they need to work.

The program offers children a choice from over 2,000 books. All books are marked for certain levels and students must choose a book from within their level.

With the exception of chapter books, students must read each book twice and then take a test on the computer.

To attain credit for reading the book, a child must score above 60 percent.

Kim Lum, Cherry Creek Elementary second-grade teacher, said her class average on the test is 89 percent. The average level they are reading at is 2.7.

So far this year, Lum's class has read over 1,700 books.

This year Jackie Tousley's class has read over 2,300 books.

Lowell Charter Township gets invitation from Steelcase

By Jeffrey Redmond
Contributing Writer

Steelcase Inc. has invited the members and trustees of the Lowell Charter Township Board to attend its annual Government day on Monday, May 10 from 3 - 5 p.m.

James P. Hackett, the company's president and chief executive officer, explains, "It will be an excellent time for both Steelcase and area leaders to meet and exchange information and concerns about our community, as well as learn more about the focus of Steelcase and our goals."

Invitees will also be given a personal tour of the new Pathways system, along with work labs and updates on the area's major employer.

Township supervisor John Timpson plans on attending, especially since the company has made such a big investment in the new office equipment. Trustee Herb VanderBilt also plans on going. Others will as well if their schedules permit. Trustee Alyn Fletcher pointed out, "It's an excellent way to be brought up to speed on what's going on!"

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Ewe's quadruplets a rarity even for long-time area farmer

I've never heard of that. I've had ewes who have had triplets.... never quadruplets. I don't know anyone who ever has. Our mother ewe must have got a hold of some fertility pills.

Clarence Klahn

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Clarence Klahn has lived on the farm at 9896 Cascade Rd. his entire life.

At 87 years old, he thought he'd seen everything. Then, one of the family ewes delivered a surprise on Thursday (April 15). She gave birth to four lambs (three ewes and one ram).

"I've never heard of that," Klahn explains. "I've had ewes who have had triplets.... never quadruplets. I don't know anyone who ever has. Our mother ewe must have got a hold of some fertility pills."

Klahn's parents began raising sheep when they came to Lowell in 1905.

"It's quite a job raising sheep," Klahn says. It's also a job the family has done quite well.

They raise them, sell them at auctions and each year butcher a few for their freezer.

"Lamb meat is such a tender meat," Klahn explains. To have prime lamb, Klahn says the ideal time to butcher them is when they are six months to a year old.

Klahn has passed his working days, but receives good help from his grandson Kip Mack and farmhand Mabel Grochowalski.

"Kip is a pretty good cook and Mabel...she's been working for us for quite some time (14 years)," Klahn said. "She does anything we ask and a little besides."

She is also the one who tends every day to the mother and her four lambs.

"I also help with the cattle and the orchard and I look after Clarence," Grochowalski explains. "I enjoy my job."



Clarence Klahn's farmhand Mabel Grochowalski gathers the lamb quadruplets as their mother looks on sheepishly.

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—The Pali Canon

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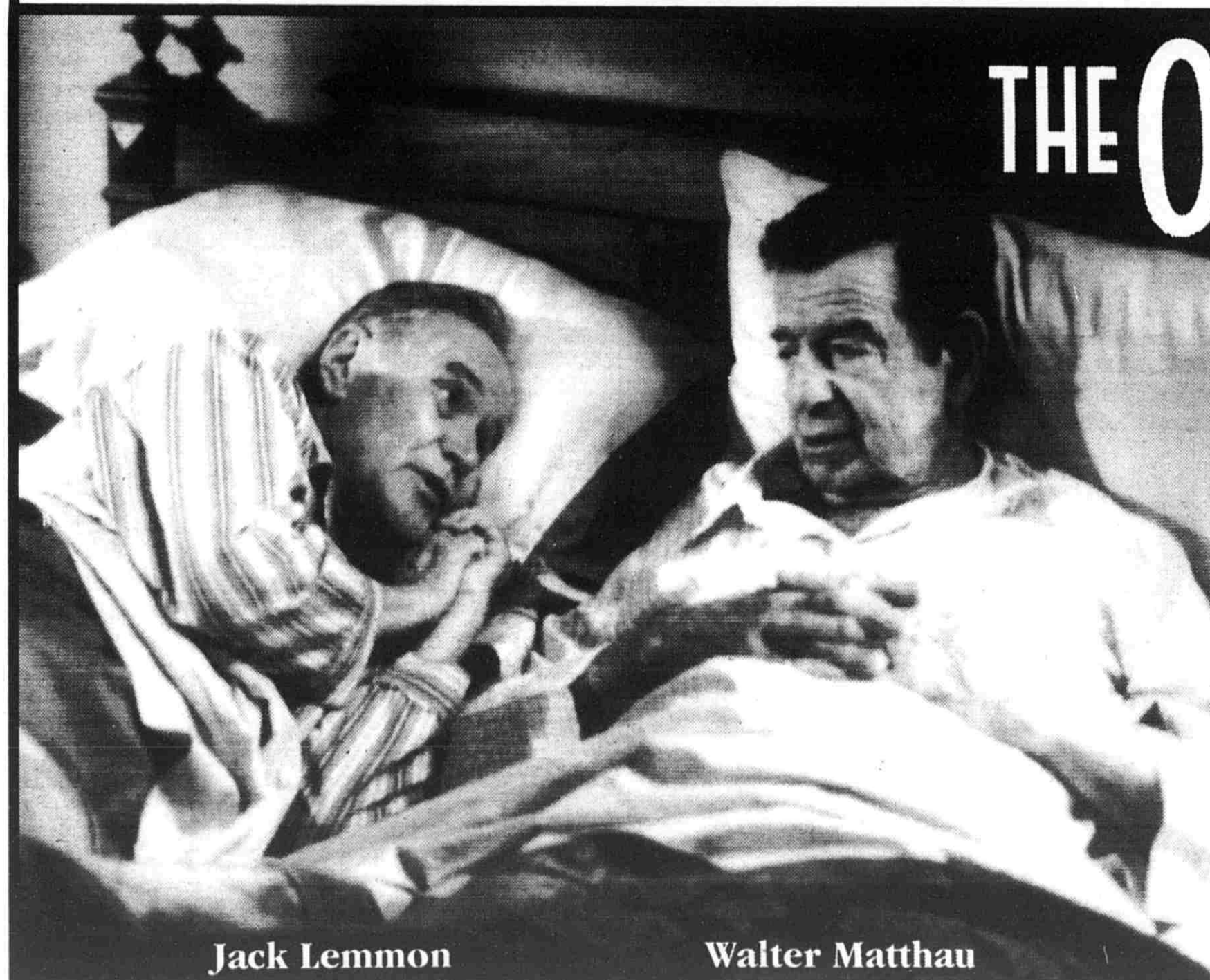
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WKAR	9	News	Young and the Restless	Bold, Beautiful	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Oprah Winfrey	WKAR	9	News	Young and the Restless	Bold, Beautiful	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Oprah Winfrey	News	News	CBS News									
WZMM	9	Judge Lane	Judge Lane	Forgive or Forget	Pokémon	Beast Wars	Spider-Man	Young Hercules	WZMM	9	Judge Lane	Judge Lane	Forgive or Forget	Pokémon	Beast Wars	Spider-Man	Young Hercules										
WSYM	9	Paid Program	Paid Program	Big Valley	Bonanza	Great Day America	Flipper	WSYM	9	Paid Program	Paid Program	Big Valley	Bonanza	Great Day America	Flipper	News	Supermarket	Shop 'Til Drop									
WZPX	9	News	Port Charles	All My Children	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Montel Williams	WZPX	9	News	Port Charles	All My Children	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Montel Williams	News	ABC Wid News										
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A&E	20	Simon & Simon	Law & Order	Northern Exposure	Quincy	Equalizer	Murder, She Wrote	A&E	20	Simon & Simon	Law & Order	Northern Exposure	Quincy	Equalizer	Murder, She Wrote												
AMC	20	Movie	Varied Programs	AMC	20	Movie	Varied Programs																				
CNN	20	Newsday	Burden of Proof	CNN Today	Talkback Live	Showbiz Today	Burden of Proof	CNN	20	Newsday	Burden of Proof	CNN Today	Talkback Live	Showbiz Today	Burden of Proof												
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COM	20	Var. Programs	Make Me Laugh	Daily Show	Katz-Therapist	Saturday Night Live	Kids in the Hall	COM	20	Var. Programs	Make Me Laugh	Daily Show	Katz-Therapist	Saturday Night Live	Kids in the Hall	Stein's Money	Saturday Night Live										
CSPAN	20	House of Representatives Cont'd	House of Representatives	CSPAN	20	House of Representatives Cont'd	House of Representatives																				
DISC	20	Interior Motives	Home Matters	Design	Interior Motives	Great Chefs	Great Chefs	DISC	20	Interior Motives	Home Matters	Design	Interior Motives	Great Chefs	Great Chefs	Gimme Shelter	New House	Fix-It-Line									
DISN	20	Little Mermaid	Winnie the Pooh	Bear in House	Amazing Anim.	101 Dalmatians	Goof Troop	DISN	20	Little Mermaid	Winnie the Pooh	Bear in House	Amazing Anim.	101 Dalmatians	Goof Troop	Timon-Pumbaa	Aladdin	Off the Wall	Mad Libs	Dinosaurs	Growing Pains	Growing Pains	Growing Pains	Up Close	Brotherly Love		
ESPN	20	Sportscenter	Varied Programs	ESPN	20	Sportscenter	Varied Programs																				
EWTN	20	Our Lady-Daily Mass	Varied Programs	EWTN	20	Our Lady-Daily Mass	Varied Programs																				
FAM	20	Dino Babies	Adv. Mumfie	Bobby's World	Dennis Menace	Casper	Real Ghostbstrs	FAM	20	Dino Babies	Adv. Mumfie	Bobby's World	Dennis Menace	Casper	Real Ghostbstrs	Divine Mercy	Rosary Intern.	Varied Programs	Bad Dog	Walter Melon	3 Friends, Jerry	Peewee Play.	New Addams	New Addams			
FOXDT	20	Last Word	Ultimate Fan L.	FOXDT	20	Last Word	Ultimate Fan L.																				
FX	20	Apris! It!	At the Auction	Home Grown	All-Good Taste	Carol Duvall	Sew Perfect	FX	20	Apris! It!	At the Auction	Home Grown	All-Good Taste	Carol Duvall	Sew Perfect	Miami Vice	In Living Color	In Living Color	Beverly Hills, 90210	Beverly Hills, 90210	Victory Garden	Grow It! Guide	Home Doctor	Fix It Up!			
H&G	20	Movie	Nautitus	H&G	20	Movie	Nautitus																				
HIST	20	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie	HIST	20	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie																				
LIFE	20	MSNBC Special	NBC News Today in America	LIFE	20	MSNBC Special	NBC News Today in America																				
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MTV	20	Music Videos	Varied Programs	MTV	20	Music Videos	Varied Programs																				
NICK	20	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Franklin	Kipper	Doug	Doug	NICK	20	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Franklin	Kipper	Doug	Doug	Garfield-Friend	Garfield-Friend	Rocko's Life	Rocko's Life	Catdog	Figure It Out	All That	Secret of Alex				
SCIFI	20	Twilight Zone	Beyond Reality	Time Trax	Sightings	Movie	SCIFI	20	Twilight Zone	Beyond Reality	Time Trax	Sightings	Movie														
TBS	20	Matlock	Home Studio	TBS	20	Matlock	Home Studio																				
TLC	20	Wedding Story	Slice of Life	Reunion	Reunion	Baby Story	Baby Story	TLC	20	Wedding Story	Slice of Life	Reunion	Reunion	Baby Story	Baby Story	Wedding Story	Wedding Story	Home Savvy	Home Savvy	Home Savvy	Home Savvy	Home Savvy	Home Savvy	Home Savvy	Home Savvy		
TNN	20	Alene's Creative Living	Waltons	TNN	20	Alene's Creative Living	Waltons																				
TNT	20	Movie Cont'd	Movie	TNT	20	Movie Cont'd	Movie																				
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TRAV	20	Getaway USA	Getaway USA	Taste for Travel	Taste for Travel	Exotic Islands	Places to Kiss	TRAV	20	Getaway USA	Getaway USA	Taste for Travel	Taste for Travel	Exotic Islands	Places to Kiss	Lonely Planet	Amazing Destinations	Curiosities-Wid	Myster. Places	Walker's World	Outback Adv.						
TWC	20	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	TWC	20	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter		
USA	20	Home Videos	USA	20	Home Videos																						
WGN	20	Matlock	News	WGN	20	Matlock	News																				
VH1	20	Behind-Music	Varied Programs	VH1	20	Behind-Music	Varied Programs																				
PREMIUM CHANNELS												PREMIUM CHANNELS															
HBO	20	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs	HBO	20	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs																				
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SHOW	20	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs	SHOW	20	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs																				
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FRIDAY EVENING												APRIL 23, 1999											
BROADCAST CHANNELS												BROADCAST CHANNELS											

MONDAY - FRIDAY LATENIGHT APRIL 23, 1999 - APRIL 29, 1999. Broadcast Channels: WWMT, WOTV, WGVU, WXMI, WOOD, WLNS, WILX, WTLJ, WKAR, WZZM, WSYM, WZPX. Cable Channels: A&E, AMC, CNN, COM, CSPAN, DISC, DISN, ESPN, EWTN, FAM, FOXDT, FX, H&G, HIF, LIF, MSNBC, MTV, NICK, SCIFI, TBS, TLC, TNN, TNT, TOON D, TRAV, TWC, USA, WGN, VH1. Premium Channels: HBO, MAX, SHOW, TMC.

SATURDAY MORNING APRIL 24, 1999. Broadcast Channels: WWMT, WOTV, WGVU, WXMI, WOOD, WLNS, WILX, WTLJ, WKAR, WZZM, WSYM, WZPX. Cable Channels: A&E, AMC, CNN, COM, CSPAN, DISC, DISN, ESPN, EWTN, FAM, FOXDT, FX, H&G, HIF, LIF, MSNBC, MTV, NICK, SCIFI, TBS, TLC, TNN, TNT, TOON D, TRAV, TWC, USA, WGN, VH1. Premium Channels: HBO, MAX, SHOW, TMC.

SPORT HIGHLIGHTS

SOCCER: Soccer English Premier League -- Teams to Be Announced. (Taped) FOXDT Sat. 5 p.m. GYMNASTICS: College Gymnastics NCAA Men's Championships. From Lincoln, Neb. (Taped) ESPN Thu. 12:30 a.m. SKATING: Rollerjam Teams to Be Announced. (Taped) TNN Fri. 9 p.m. TENNIS: Tennis ATP Monte Carlo Open -- Quarterfinal. From Monaco. (Same-day Tape) ESPN Fri. 1 p.m. Tennis ATP Monte Carlo Open -- Semifinal. From Monaco. (Same-day Tape) ESPN Sat. 2:30 p.m. Tennis ATP Monte Carlo Open -- Championship. From Monaco. (Same-day Tape) ESPN Sun. 3 p.m. BOXING: Boxing Fight Night at the Arrowhead Pond. From Anaheim, Calif. (Taped) FOXDT Thu. 2 a.m.

AUTO RACING: Motorcycle Racing AMA Superbike. From Willow Springs, Calif. (Taped) FOXDT Sat. 12 p.m. Motorcycle Racing World Superbike Series. From Phillip Island, Australia. (Taped) FOXDT Sun. 11 a.m. Auto Racing Toyota Pro-Celebrity Race. From Long Beach, Calif. (Taped) ESPN Sun. 5 p.m. Motorcycle Racing AMA Supercross Series. From Indianapolis. (Taped) WOTV Sun. 5 p.m.; WZZM Sun. 5 p.m. Drag Racing NHRA Lone Star Nationals. From Dallas. (Same-day Tape) FOXDT Sun. 7 p.m. Auto Racing NASCAR Winston Cup -- DieHard 500. From Talladega Superspeedway in Alabama. (Same-day Tape) ESPN Sun. 3 a.m. EQUESTRIAN: Equestrian American Invitational. From Tampa, Fla. (Taped) ESPN Sat. 12 p.m. FOOTBALL: NFL Europe Football Scotland Claymores at Berlin Thunder. (Same-day Tape) FOXDT Sat. 6 p.m. RODEO: Mesquite Rodeo Highlights of bronc and bulldogging from Mesquite, Texas. (Taped) TNN Fri. 12 a.m. Championship Bull Riding St. Louis Open. From St. Louis. (Taped) TNN Sun. 9 p.m.

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON APRIL 24, 1999. Broadcast Channels: WWMT, WOTV, WGVU, WXMI, WOOD, WLNS, WILX, WTLJ, WKAR, WZZM, WSYM, WZPX. Cable Channels: A&E, AMC, CNN, COM, CSPAN, DISC, DISN, ESPN, EWTN, FAM, FOXDT, FX, H&G, HIF, LIF, MSNBC, MTV, NICK, SCIFI, TBS, TLC, TNN, TNT, TOON D, TRAV, TWC, USA, WGN, VH1. Premium Channels: HBO, MAX, SHOW, TMC.

SATURDAY EVENING / LATENIGHT APRIL 24, 1999. Broadcast Channels table with columns for time slots (7:00-4:30) and channel names (WGVU, WLK, WKAR, etc.).

CABLE CHANNELS table with columns for channel numbers and names, listing various cable services and their programming.

SUNDAY MORNING APRIL 25, 1999. Broadcast Channels table with columns for time slots (5:00-11:30) and channel names (WVMT, WVTV, WGVU, etc.).

CABLE CHANNELS table with columns for channel numbers and names, listing various cable services and their programming.

Small Banana Boat \$2.25 and Large Banana Boat \$3.00 advertisement for Ball's Soft-tee Cream Ice Cream.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON APRIL 25, 1999. Broadcast Channels table with columns for time slots (12:00-6:30) and channel names (WVMT, WVTV, WGVU, etc.).

CABLE CHANNELS table with columns for channel numbers and names, listing various cable services and their programming.

SUNDAY EVENING APRIL 25, 1999. Broadcast Channels table with columns for time slots (7:00-11:30) and channel names (WVMT, WVTV, WGVU, etc.).

CABLE CHANNELS table with columns for channel numbers and names, listing various cable services and their programming.

Small Banana Boat \$2.25 and Large Banana Boat \$3.00 advertisement for Ball's Soft-tee Cream Ice Cream.

SUNDAY EVENING / LATE NIGHT APRIL 25, 1999. Broadcast Channels table with columns for time slots (7:00-4:30) and station logos (WGVU, WLX, WKAR, etc.).

CABLE CHANNELS table with columns for channel numbers (A&E, AMC, CNN, etc.) and program titles (Horatio Homblower, Easy Come, Easy Go, etc.).

PREMIUM CHANNELS table with columns for channel numbers (HBO, MAX, SHOW, TMC) and program titles (The Apostle, The Unouchables, etc.).

MONDAY EVENING APRIL 26, 1999. Broadcast Channels table with columns for time slots (7:00-11:30) and station logos (WGVU, WLX, WKAR, etc.).

CABLE CHANNELS table with columns for channel numbers (A&E, AMC, CNN, etc.) and program titles (Law & Order, The Emperor Waltz, etc.).

PREMIUM CHANNELS table with columns for channel numbers (HBO, MAX, SHOW, TMC) and program titles (Speed 2: Cruise Control, Titanic, etc.).

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TUESDAY EVENING APRIL 27, 1999. Broadcast Channels: WGUV, WLX, WKAR, WLNS, WOOD, WOTV, WSYM, WTLJ, WWMT, WXMI, WZPX, WZZM. Cable Channels: A&E, AMC, CNN, CNN2, COM, CSPAN, DISC, DISN, ESPN, EWTV, FAM, FOXDT, FX, H&G, HIST, LIFE, MSNBC, MTV, NICK, SCIFI, TBS, TLC, TNT, TOON D, TRAV, TWC, USA, WGN, VH1, HBO, MAX, SHOW, TMC.

WEDNESDAY EVENING APRIL 28, 1999. Broadcast Channels: WGUV, WLX, WKAR, WLNS, WOOD, WOTV, WSYM, WTLJ, WWMT, WXMI, WZPX, WZZM. Cable Channels: A&E, AMC, CNN, CNN2, COM, CSPAN, DISC, DISN, ESPN, EWTV, FAM, FOXDT, FX, H&G, HIST, LIFE, MSNBC, MTV, NICK, SCIFI, TBS, TLC, TNT, TOON D, TRAV, TWC, USA, WGN, VH1, HBO, MAX, SHOW, TMC.

Victorian Thymes Floral & Gift. 211 W. Main, Lowell 897-5767. APRIL 21ST • SECRETARY'S DAY! Fresh flower arrangements for that special secretary! Order Early! 897-5767.

White Swan Coffeehouse & Gifts. 201 East Main, on the Riverwalk. David Landrum - Cornerstone Community College Acoustic Classical Guitarist. Deli Specialty Drinks. Friday, April 9 & 16 from 7-9 p.m.

Table with columns for time slots (7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30) and rows for various TV channels (WGTV, WLX, WKAR, WLNS, WOOD, WOTV, WSYM, WTLJ, WWMT, WXMI, WZPX, WZZM, A&E, AMC, CNN, CNN2, COM, CSPAN, DISC, DISN, ESPN, EWTN, FAM, FOXDT, FX, H&G, HIST, LIFE, MSNBC, MTV, NICK, SCIFI, TBS, TLC, TNN, TNT, TOON D, TRAV, TWC, USA, WGN, VH1, HBO, MAX, SHOW, TMC) listing broadcast programs.

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 MONTH: The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse at 11841 Potters Rd. Just east of Montcalm Ave. To check meeting dates and times please call, 897-5015 for a recorded message. Guests are welcome.

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 SECOND MONDAY: Attention mothers of preschoolers. MOPS meetings are held at Saranac Community Church, 125 S. Bridge St. Cost is \$3 and meetings are from 9:45 a.m. - noon. Everyone is welcome. Come enjoy crafts, food, free child care and new friends. For information call Meghan at 616-642-6748 or Trisha at 616-527-1333.

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.

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 7:30 p.m.

EVERY MON.: Boy Scout Troop 102, for boys 11 & up or completing the 5th-grade, will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. during the school year in the Scout Cabin at the end of North Washing-

ton 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.

TUESDAYS: Flat River Woodcarvers are meeting at LAAC from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. New members welcome.

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

EVERY FOURTH TUES.: Showboat Board meeting, 7 p.m. at the Flat River Antique Mall.

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

EVERY TUES.: Ladies Coffee Break Bible study. Free nursery and preschool story hour/crafts time. Calvary Christian Reformed Church across from Burger King, 10 to 11:15 a.m. For information call 897-6462 or 897-7555.

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

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

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.

FIRST WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH: Alzheimer's Support Group meets at 6:30 p.m. at Cumber-

land Retirement Village. Phone 897-9310 for information.

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

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

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

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

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

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 anytime. 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 THURSDAY: 4H drama club meeting. The club examines theater related topics, creative and personal development skills. Meetings held once a month at Lowell Middle School choir room. For more information call 897-1502 evenings after 5 p.m.

EVERY 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.

EVERY FRIDAY: 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.

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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 Lowell. Call Janet 897-6845 or Rebecca 897-6734 for more information.

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

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

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

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

THIRD THURS. OF EACH MONTH: West Mich. Parents of Murdered Children & Other Survivors of Homicide (POMC) at Trinity United Methodist Church, 1100 Lake Drive SE, Grand Rapids, 7 p.m., Discovery Rm. Contact Danni Smith, 897-2544.

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ENGLERHARDT LIBRARY HOURS: Mon. & Wed., 1-8 p.m.; Tues. & Fri., 1-5 p.m.; Thurs. & Sat., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

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APRIL 22-24: The Michigan Historic Preservation Network Preservation Network presents its 19th Annual Statewide Conference "Doing It Right: Getting the results you want through good preservation," including the new full-day Construction Trades Symposium. Monroe, Michigan. (248) 625-8181.

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EVERY SAT. Swiss steak dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. at Bowne Center United Methodist Church, corner of 84th St. & Alden Nash, Alto. Adults, \$6; children 6-12, \$3; 5 & under, free.

MON., MAY 3: The Lowell United Methodist Church Mother-Daughter dessert tea at 6:30 p.m. with program following. Tickets: 12 years and up, \$2; 4 to 11 years, \$1; 3 years and under, free. For reservations by April 29, please call Phyllis Bieri at 897-8258 or Doris Ellis at 897-8870.

SAT., APRIL 24: The Boston-Saranac Historical Society is sponsoring a *Simply Old Fashion* cooking demonstration and fashion show at 1:30 p.m. in the Saranac High School cafeteria. Also a dessert buffet will be served.

Web Watch

(NAPS)—To learn about fire safety and have some fun, youngsters can visit Sparky, the National Fire Protection Association mascot, at www.sparky.org. Millions of Americans have discovered the ease and convenience of purchasing a new or used car through the Internet, using a service such as Auto web.com (<http://www.autoweb.com>).

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THURSDAY, APRIL 29: 3:30 p.m., Senior Neighbor's board meeting at Lowell.

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Depth helps Lowell boys' track team dispatch of Hastings

◆◆◆ Jeff Ortowski has a winning leg in three running events in Lowell's 80-57 win over the Saxons.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell boys' track coach Keith Boeve saw room for plenty of improvement with his team's times and distances, but he couldn't argue with their results.

The Red Arrows defeated Hastings Thursday in their first track meet of the year, 80-57.

"I was pleased with the results, but we have to improve if we're going to compete in the OK White," Boeve explained.

One event Lowell has done more than compete in is the 3200-meter relay. The Red Arrows ran their dual meet winning streak in the relay to 27.

Jeff Ortowski, Ryan Mix, Kevin Huisman and Zach Stauffer carried the baton home in 9:02.9.

"It wasn't a bad early race," Boeve explained. Ortowski has really looked good early.

The senior claimed top honors in the 800-meter run, racing home in 2:11.2. Austin Krieg was second at 2:16.8 and Jacob Billingsley was third in 2:18.7.

Ortowski's win capped a string of three consecutive events which Lowell dominated. It also enabled Lowell to turn a relatively close meet into a blowout.

The 26-1 run started with the 400-meter dash. Nick DeZwaan was first with a time of 53.4. Huisman was second at 55.6.

In the 300 hurdles, it was a Lowell sweep as Jeff Pfaller (45.9), Josh Manion (49.3) and Jon Wiering (49.4) finished 1-2-3.

DeZwaan, Brandon Dupree, and Huisman joined Ortowski in posting a winning time of 3:41 in the 1600 meter relay.

Junior Bill Stouffer became the first Red Arrow to win a dinner this year at the Old Country Buffet.

Stouffer's throw of 47-6 beat Lowell's top throw last year. Despite winning a dinner, Stouffer placed second to Hastings' Nick Deline 49-1 3/4.

Bill Wiering made significant contributions in the field events as he took firsts in the long jump and high jump.

Wiering won the long jump with a distance of 18-1. Mark Maatman was second at 17-2.

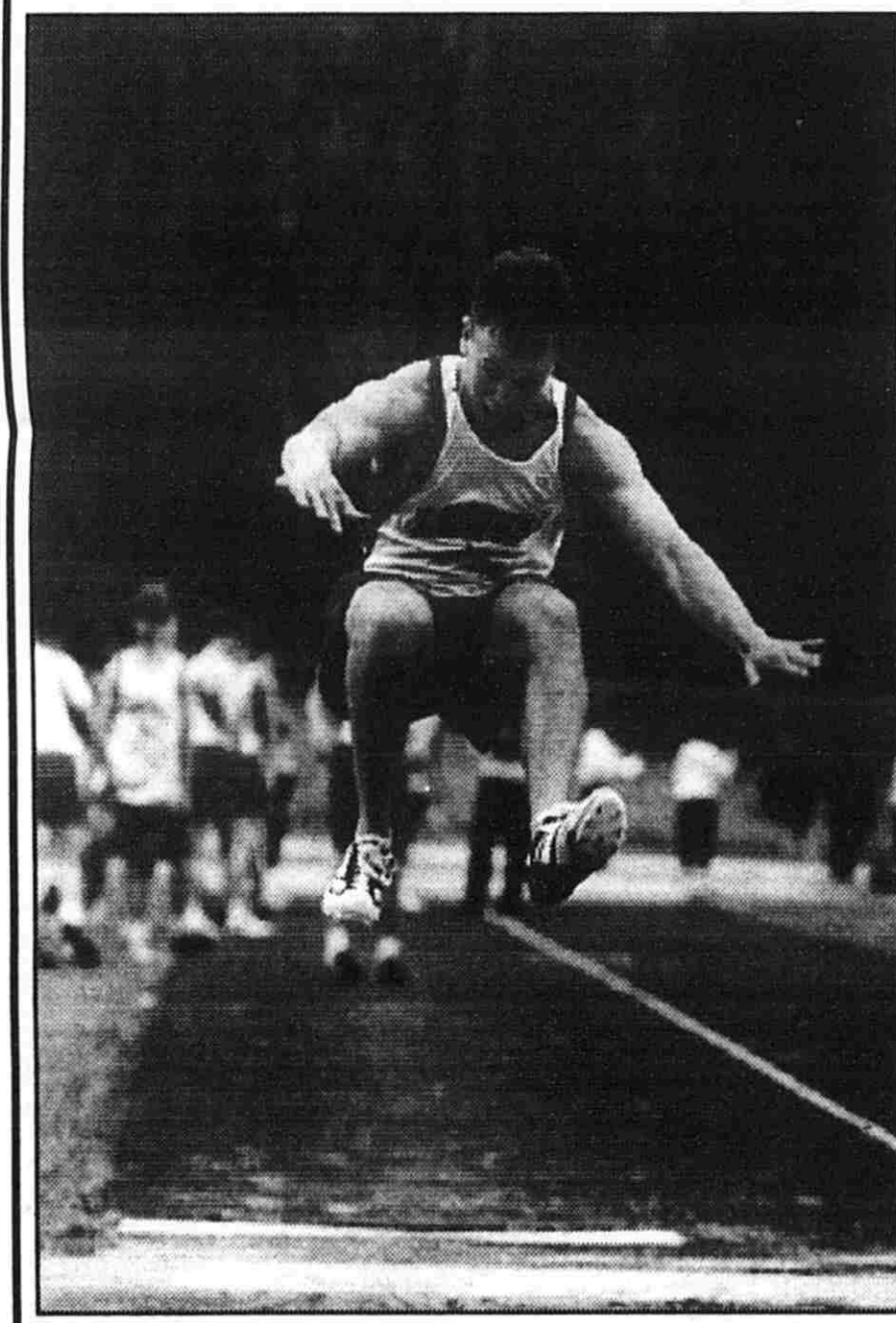
Wiering also won the high jump clearing six feet. Mike Williams was second as he needed an extra attempt to clear 6-0.

Manion's time of 16.3 earned him top honors in the 100 hurdles. Pfaller was second in 16.6.

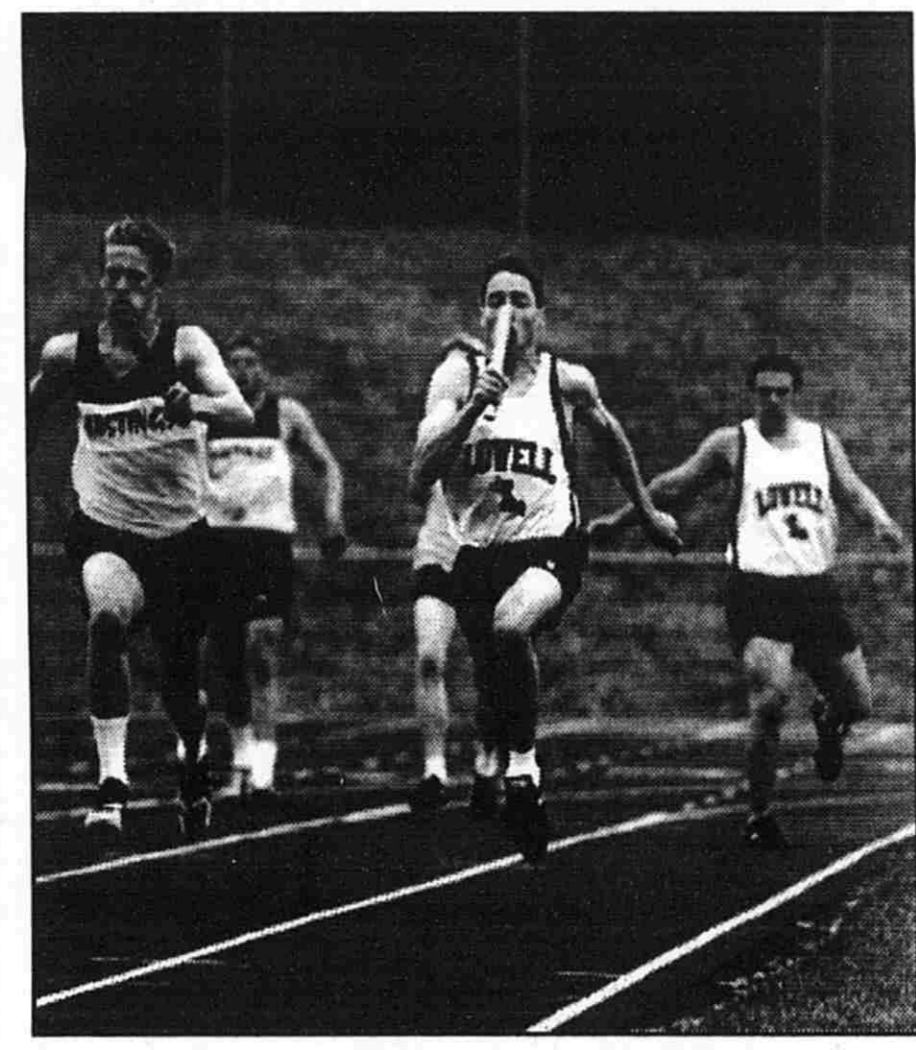
Mix (5:05) and Billingsley (5:05.2) took the top two spots in the 1600-meter run.

Frank Kirsch won the 3200-meter run, stopping the clock in 11:06.

Lowell's (1-0) next meet is Thursday at Forest Hills Central.



Mike Williams, above, finished the 100-meter dash 11.6 placing him third in the dual meet against Hastings. Lowell's Bill Wiering and Mark Maatman finished one-two in the long jump. Pictured, left, is Kurt Telman. Below, is Brian Fitzpatrick running stride for stride with his Hastings' counterpart.



First appearance brings junior varsity 1st championship

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

In the school's first-ever appearance, Lowell's junior varsity powerlifting team earned a national championship (April 9-11) in Killen, Texas over spring break.

The Red Arrow squad placed in nine weight divisions, earning a field best 86 points.

Galettric, Wis., was second with 56 points followed by Alexandria, La., 47; and Copparras, Texas, 42.

"I didn't know what to expect. But we're really pleased with how things went," said Lowell powerlifting coach Noel Dean.

Allen Metternick (242

pounds) and Jason Hill (super heavyweight) were the only Red Arrows to earn championships in their weight brackets.

Pat Mendez (132 pounds), Ken Palcowski (181 pounds), and Matt Altoft (198 pounds) all finished second in their weight classes.

Earning third place finishes were Beau Wilder (114 pounds), Cory Perdaris (132 pounds), Travis DeVoid (198 pounds) and Kyle Sitzer (220 pounds).

Chris Curtis (148 pounds) finished fourth in his weight division.

Carl Stanford (148 pounds) and Eric Stormzand (198) placed fifth.

The only Lowell lifters to place at the varsity level were Neil Reimbold (165 pounds), fifth; and Damian Omness (242 pounds), fifth.

Heather Sterzick was the only female Lowell lifter to compete at the junior varsity level. She placed fifth.

Katie McPherson was the only female varsity lifter to compete; she also placed fifth. "All the lifters appreciated the strict but very good judging we had," Dean said. "What that does is, it forces lifters to use good technique."

During their stay in Killen, the club was housed at Fort Hood, the largest military installation base in the world.

"All the kids did a fabu-

lous job and were well behaved," Dean said.

During its visit, the

powerlifting team took in a Texas Ranger/Detroit Tiger baseball game at Arlington

Stadium and visited Texas

Stadium while filming for the

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Lowell's junior varsity powerlifting club won a national title in Killen, Texas, over spring break.

Risner and McElveen lead Lowell in girls' win over Hastings

◆◆◆ Celena Risner garnered four firsts in Lowell's season-opening win against the Saxons.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Celena Risner has made solid contributions to the Lowell girls track team in each of her first three years, but was never the Red Arrow that shined.

Sophomore Treasure McElveen had high aspirations squelched her first year of track when she landed on her tailbone in a cheerleading fall.

For Risner, her four top finishes in Lowell's first dual meet of the season may be the first of many shining moments in '99 for the senior.

McElveen garnered two seconds and a first as she picked herself up off the floor, in rising to meet those missed aspirations of a year ago in Lowell's 73-60 win over Hastings on Thursday.

Risner was first in the long jump at 14-2 1/2 inches. McElveen was second with a jump of 14-1.

Risner competed solo in the pole vault. She won the event with a height of 7-3.

The senior also had the fourth and winning leg in the 400- and 800-meter relays.

Risner, Kelly O'Dell, Christie Lacic and Kristi Ford turned in a winning time of 1:57.3 in the 800-meter relay.

It was Risner, Lacic, O'Dell and McElveen who stopped the clock in a winning time of 55.9 in the 400-meter relay.

McElveen placed second in the 100-meter dash, coming home in 14.8 seconds.

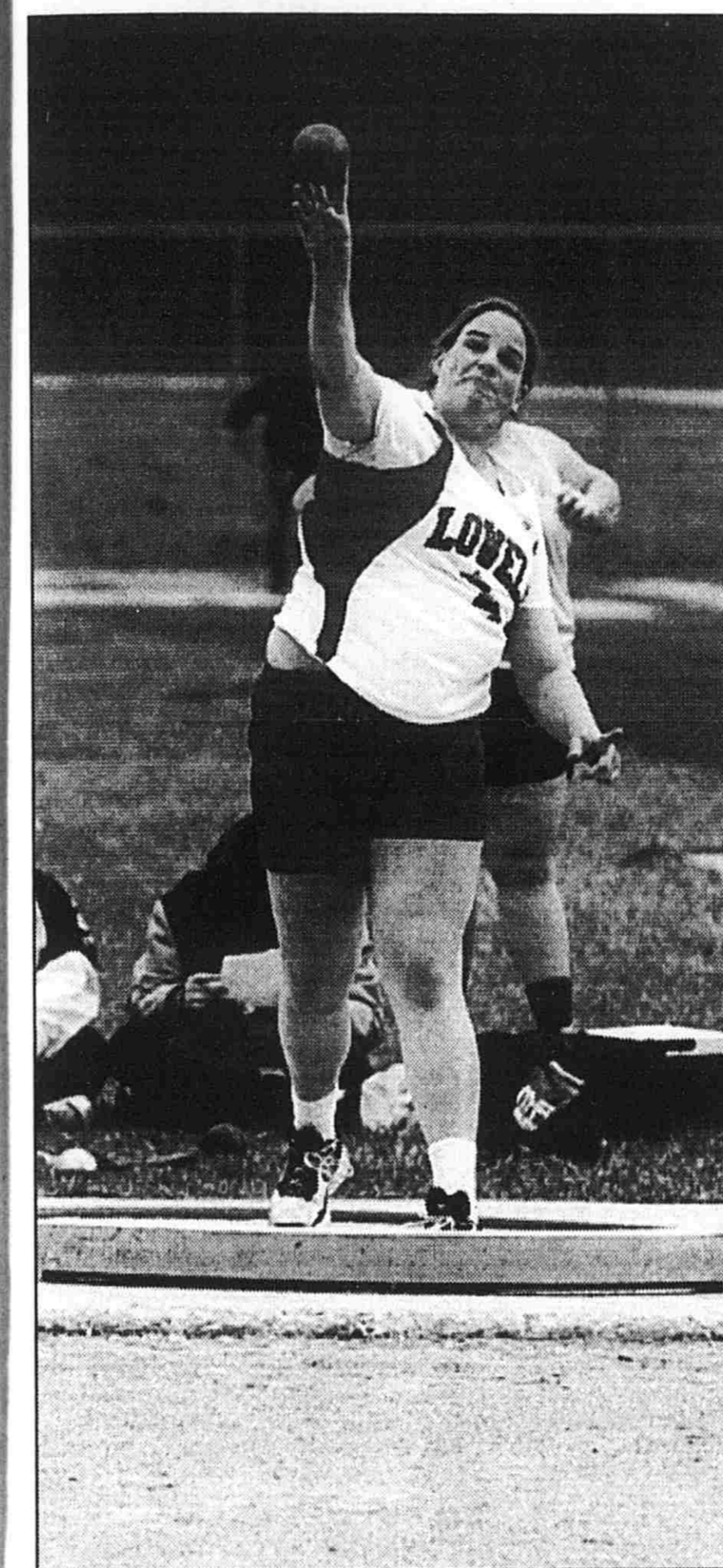
Ford provided her own flashes of athleticism. The Red Arrow edged Lacic in the 200-meter run with a time of 29.1. Lacic finished in 29.2.

Ford also took top honors in the high jump, clearing five feet. Teammate Rachele Becker was second with a mark of 4-10.

Lowell girls' track coach Kathy Talus talked highly of her strong freshman class, with April Telman giving fans an early sneak peak.

Telman won the 100 high hurdles, breaking the string in 17.5 seconds. Later, she duplicated that feat with a first-place finish in the 300 low hurdles. Telman raced home in 54.8.

Lowell's Maggie Wisner showed the same great touch of a year ago. The junior won the discus with a throw of 95-10.

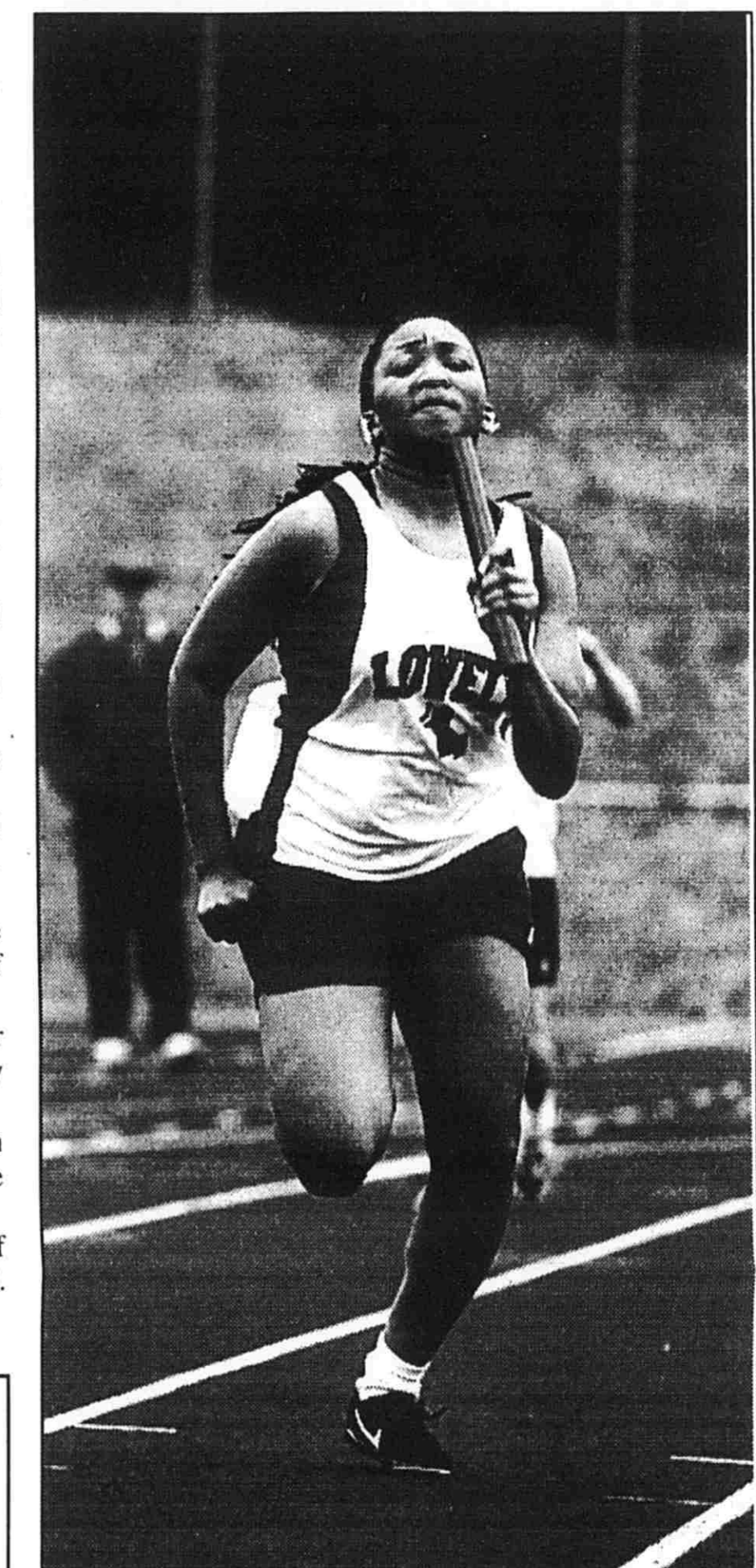


Maggie Wisner posted a distance of 29-7 1/2 in the shot put. The throw was second to teammate Sandra Sturis' 29-8 1/2.

A newcomer to this year's squad, Sandra Sturis, opened a few eyes in the shot put with a mark of 29-8 1/2, earning her a second-place finish. Wisner was third with a mark of 29-7 1/2.

"Our young group of freshmen look to be on track," Talus said. "There were a number of surprises. The girls stepped up. Risner and McElveen had big days for us."

Lowell (1-0) travels to Forest Hills Central, 1-0, (73-55 winners over Northview) on Thursday.



Treasure McElveen brings home the baton in Lowell's winning effort in the 400-meter relay.

Doubles flights make the difference in tennis team's 5-3 win over Lakewood

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell netters opened their season with a solid 5-3 win over the Vikings from Lakewood.

The Red Arrows and Vikings split their four singles matches, but Lowell answered the call in doubles play as it claimed wins in three of four matches.

"We got a strong showing from our doubles teams," Lowell boys' tennis coach Jerry Adams said.

Lowell won at all flights except second doubles, which it lost in three close sets.

Caleb Moore and Jim Bossard edged Lakewood's Eric Manold and Brian Rohrbacher 7-5, 4-6, 7-6 at one doubles.

Kyle Heinz and Ryan Phillips (third doubles) defeated Jason Ferguson and Travis Williams in straight sets 6-1, 6-4.

David Barry and Ryan Kremer (fourth doubles) defeated Steve Kretovic and Charles Phelps 6-1, 6-2.

Lowell's only loss at doubles was handed to Alan Stiver and Steve Demircieffe by Joey Beach and Patrick Kane 4-6, 6-4, 7-6.

"Stiver and Demircieffe lost a tough match at second doubles. They played well," Adams said.

Lowell's Gavin Vincent and Jim Jastifer accounted for Lowell's wins in singles play.

Vincent defeated Eric Garlinger 6-4, 6-1 at third singles. Jastifer won via forfeit at fourth singles.

Lowell (1-0) plays Hastings and Forest Hills Central this week in OK White high school tennis action.

Red Arrow lady linksters upend Portland

The team score wasn't where it needs to be, but in its first match of the year, Lowell's 217 was good enough to defeat nonconference foe, Portland (237) at Willowood on Wednesday.

"It was our first match. The girls got off to a good start," Lowell's golf coach Rick White said. "There is plenty of room for improvement."

Junior Amber Kuipers carded Lowell's best score. She came home in 47. "Amber made a few mistakes com-

ing in but she had a good round. We need her to do that on a regular basis."

Laura LaHaye and Lisa LaHaye played nine in 56

while Kate Gunberg finished with a 58.

"I expect those girls will shoot better than that," White explained.

They will have to start immediately. Lowell has a match on six consecutive days (Monday through Saturday).

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movie *Any Given Sunday* was taking place. During the visit they watched Carmen Diaz and Al Pacino on the set.

Next year's powerlifting championship will take place in Green Bay, Wis.

"I want to thank Perry

Beauchamp for the logistical work he did while we were down there," Dean explained.

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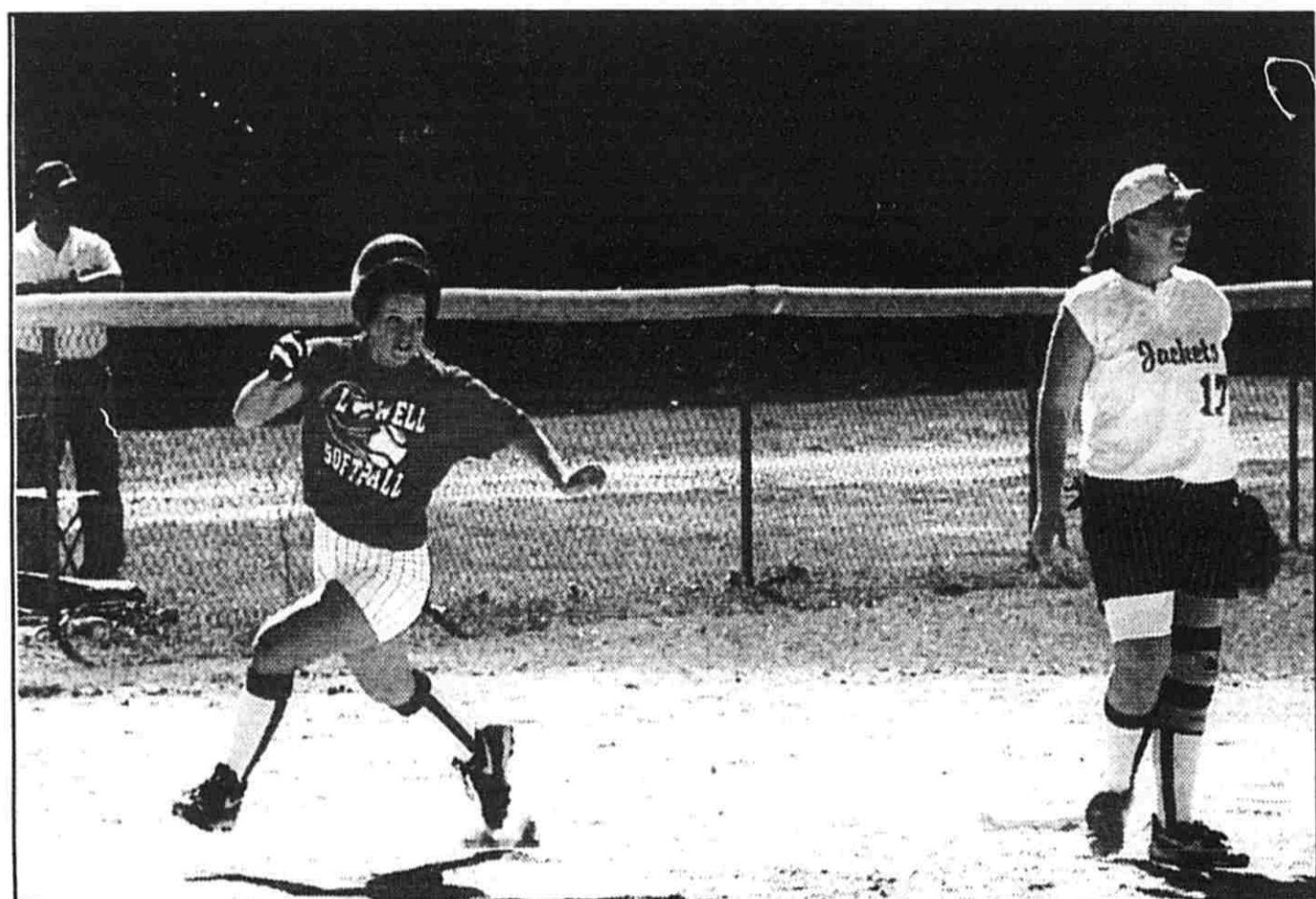
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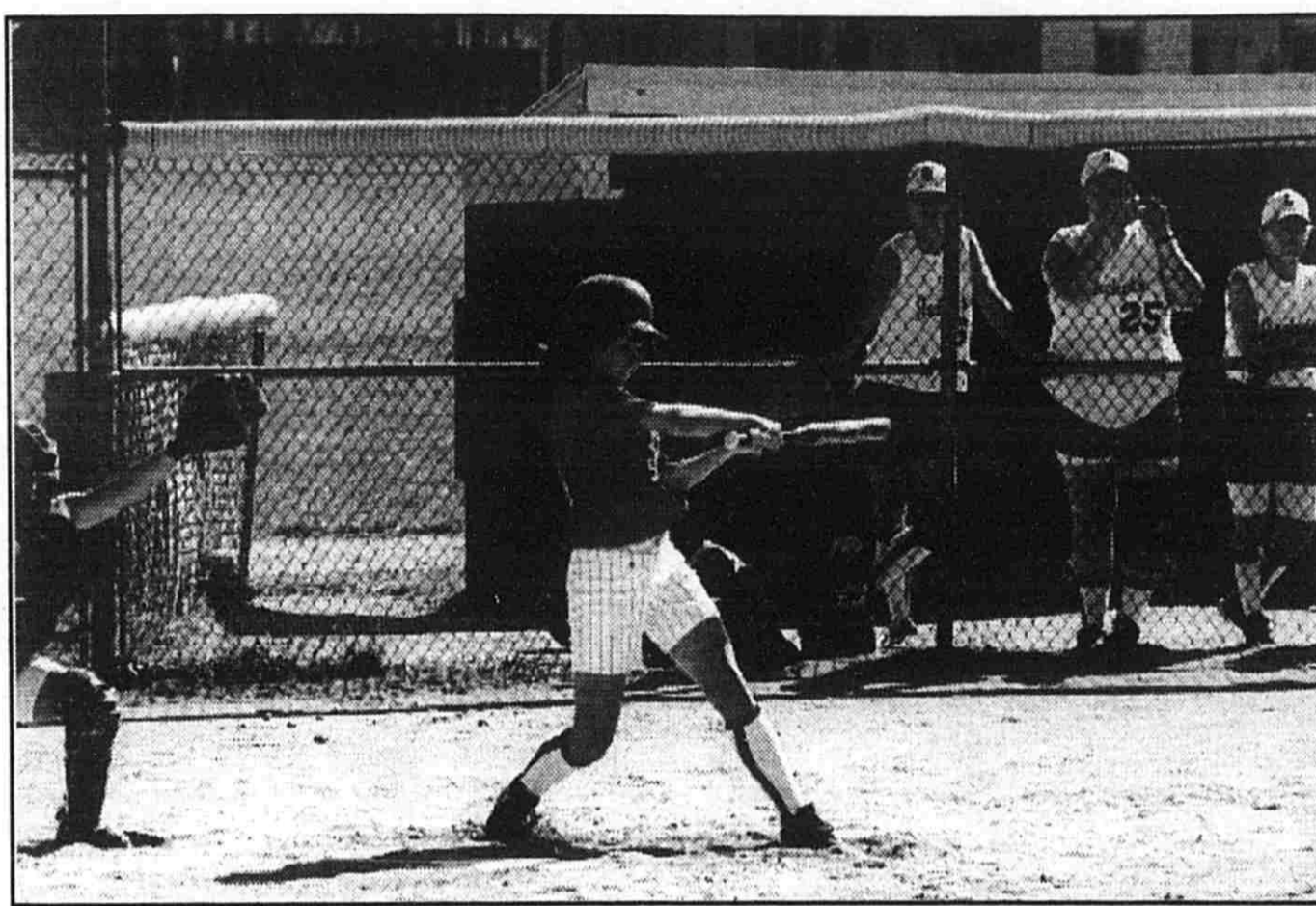
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Red Arrow softball team batters Yellowjackets twice



Andrea Rickert rounds third and heads for home in Lowell's win over Greenville in the first of two games.



Rachael Fredline and the rest of her teammates had good cuts against Greenville pitchers all day.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

The Red Arrow baseball team wasn't the only Lowell team to wield some heavy bats against Greenville.

Lowell's softball team pounded Yellowjacket pitching for 35 runs on 29 hits in two games.

The Red Arrows won the opener 14-3 in six innings and then cruised in the nightcap to a 21-4 victory.

"It was a good opener for the girls. The girls were hitting shots. They were ready to play," Rodenhouse said.

Andrea Rickert and Angie DeWit both collected three RBI. Rickert also had three hits including a double and triple.

Amy Snell, Becky Brander and Beth Fredline all rapped out two hits apiece.

While never in any real serious trouble, Rickert struggled early with her control. She allowed Greenville three runs on three hits while striking out and walking eight batters.

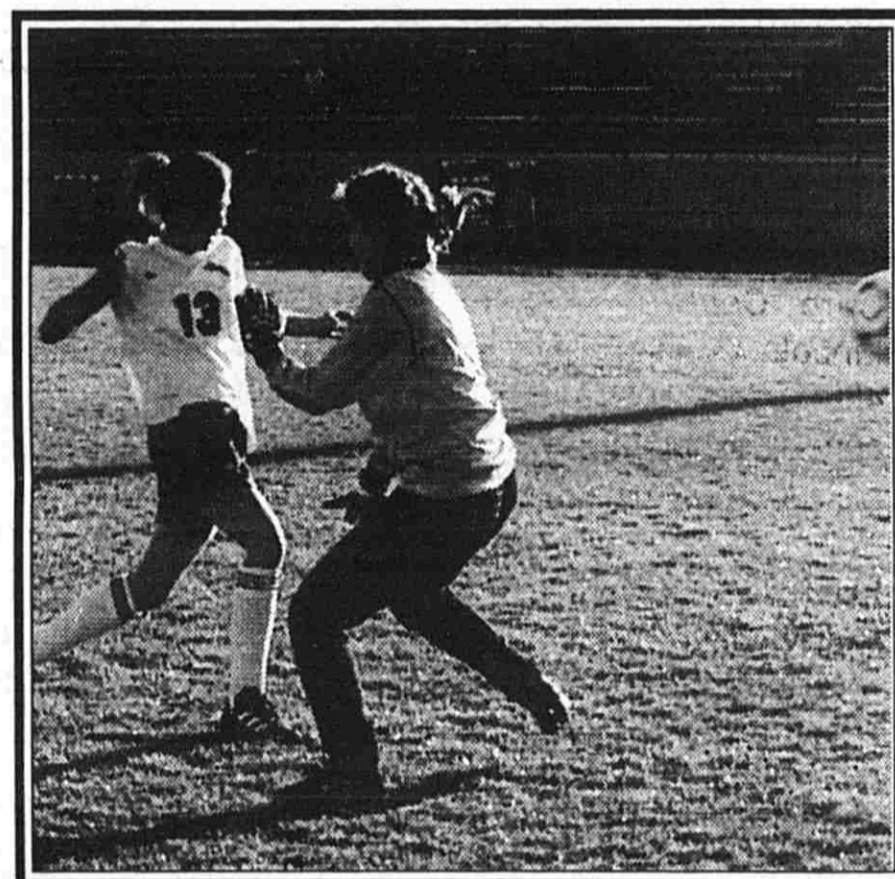
Lowell tallied three runs in the first inning, five in the third, three in the fourth and three more in the sixth.

In game two, Lowell got three hits apiece from Jodie Seif, Rickert, Snell and Rachael Fredline.

Lowell's 11-run fourth inning, which saw 15 batters come to the plate, was highlighted by a Niki Russell three-run double and Rachael Fredline's bases-clearing, three-run triple.

Rickert, having found her rhythm, settled down and pitched a solid second game. She allowed four runs on three hits while striking out three and walking just three.

Lowell soccer team boots Lakewood, 8-1



Laura Horsley puts one past the Viking goalie in second half action.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Jenny Wagner worked hard at conditioning during the preseason with the Lowell girls' soccer team and then was ready to move on to something else.

"I told Jenny you've worked too hard. You have to come out for the team," said Lowell girls' soccer coach Ryan Conlan.

Wagner was worried about her lack of ball skills. The second-year coach told her what he's told all of his players. "If you play with intensity and play hard, in time we can improve your ball skills," he explained.

After four games, the Red Arrow coach is glad Wagner believed in him.

"Jenny is a perfect example of what a good athlete can do when they have the right attitude and play hard," Conlan said. "She has made great strides in just four games."

While Wagner has been impressive as a defender, freshman Laura Horsley has impressed the coach with her midfield play.

Horsley set a team record with four goals against Lakewood in Lowell's 8-1 win over the Vikings.

"Both Laura and Jenny play with such intensity. Those are the type of players this program needs and wants," Conlan explained.

Lowell's coach was pleased with the way his club passed and controlled the game against Lakewood.

The Red Arrows outshot the Vikings 28-5. Scoring Lowell's other goals were Ceili Cowan (2), Elyssa Kinney (1), and Heather Posthumus (1).

The intensity from the Lakewood game carried over into the following day's practice which carried over into Lowell's game against state power, Forest Hills Central.

"Offensively we did not put any pressure on Central, but the girls played aggressively and with intensity and for that, I was proud of them," Conlan said of Lowell's 5-0 defeat at the hands of the Rangers. "The girls could have been intimidated, but they stepped up and went after Central."

Lowell (1-3) plays Hastings and Central this week.

Red Arrows trip up Bulldogs 3-1

Lowell wins Saturday against beldign (9-1) and Grandville pushed record to 5-0 early in the 1999 season.

For the second consecutive year, the Lowell baseball team was crowned champion of the Lowell Invitational.

The Red Arrows, behind solid pitching, sound defense and timely hitting, defeated Belding in the semifinals and then needed eight innings to upend Grandville in the title game.

It advanced to the title game with a 9-1 win over Belding.

"The win against Grandville was a good win for us. The Bulldogs are a quality team with guys who've played a lot and know what they are doing," Lowell baseball coach Tim Antel said. "These are the type of games we must play to compete with the big boys."

Tied at 1-1 after seven innings, Lowell's Andy Graham beat out an infield hit to start the Red Arrow eighth inning.

Graham stole second and third before scoring on a T.J. Thayer base hit into left field between the Grandville third baseman and shortstop.

Thayer followed Graham's lead as he, too, stole second and third, and later scored on an RBI single to right field off the bat of Steve VanLaan.

Lowell's Dusty Gless pitched a complete game. He allowed one run on seven hits while walking four and striking out three Bulldogs.

Grandville took a 1-0

lead in the fourth, but Lowell answered in its half of the fifth inning.

Jim Gilchrist led off the inning with a double and later scored on a sacrifice fly.

Lowell had a chance to take the lead in the seventh inning following a leadoff double by Shane Teelander.

A popped up bunt attempt by Gilchrist, however, doubled Teelander off second.

In Lowell's win over Belding, Gilchrist pitched six innings, allowing one run on two hits while walking five and striking out seven Redskin batters.

Brady Foster pitched one inning in relief, retiring all three batters, two via the strikeout.

Lowell received a game-high three hits and three RBI from Gless. Keith Kemen and VanLaan both tallied two hits and knocked in two runs.

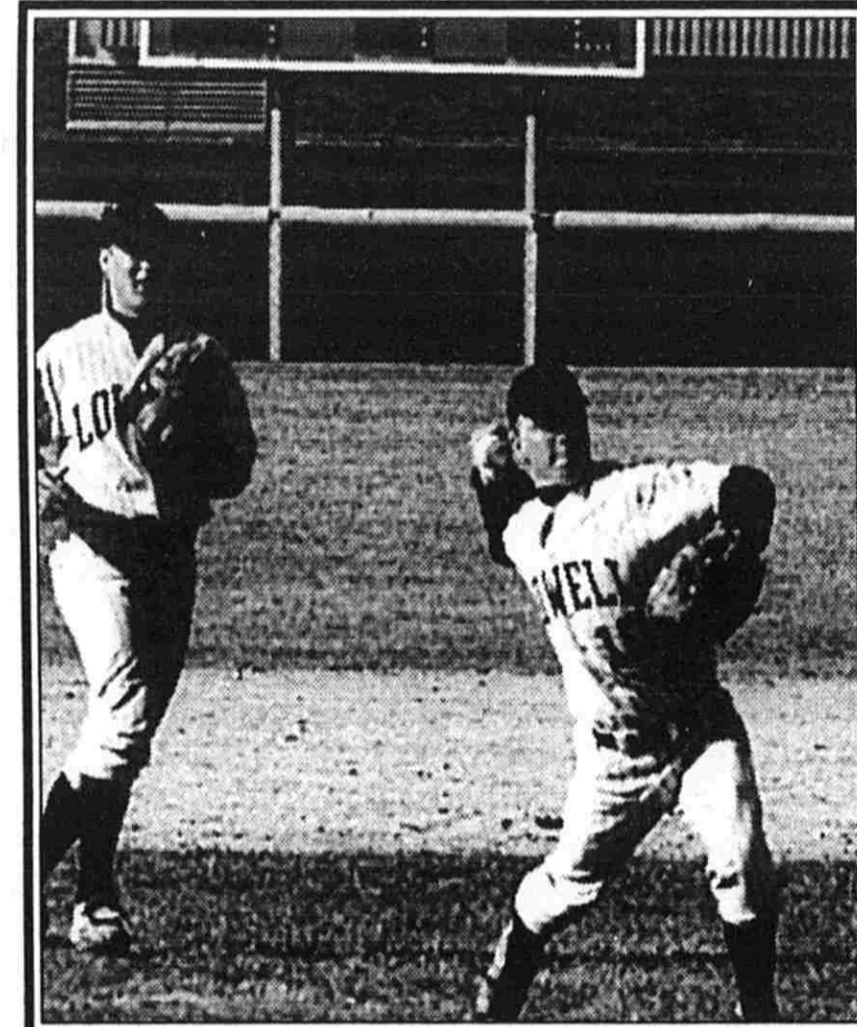
"Our seniors are doing the job at the plate. Kemen is a solid junior who is also getting the job done defensively at third base for us," Antel said.

The two wins on Saturday run Lowell's record to 5-0.

The lightning and lumber crew from Lowell went into Greenville Wednesday and if they weren't stealing a base, they were "touching them all."

The Red Arrows scored 30 runs against Yellowjacket pitching in nine innings of play, winning the opener 18-2 and the nightcap 12-6.

Lowell's fastbreak style of baseball accounted for 20



Lowell third baseman Keith Kemen scoops up a slow roller to complete the out at third in Lowell's double-header sweep of Greenville.

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Grades: 3 - 4 - 5
Location: Cherry Creek Rm 109
Fee: \$50 per session

Drama for Young People
Students will learn about stage presence, set production, costuming, etc. They will also produce short skits.
Instructor: Nancy Wood
Session: July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29
T - W - Th
Time: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Grades: 2 - 3 - 4 - 5
Location: Cherry Creek Stage
Fee: \$50 per session

Fun With Spanish
Introduction to conversational Spanish. The main emphasis will be on speaking and pronunciation.
Instructor: Tammi Dent
Session: June 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 July 1
July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29
T - W - Th
Time: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Grades: 2 - 3 - 4 - 5
Location: Cherry Creek Rm 110
Fee: \$55 per session

Clay, Clay & More Clay
Using different types of clay, students will learn building and decorating techniques.
Instructor: Jennifer Bergsma
Session: June 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 July 1
July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
T - W - Th
Time: 12:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Grades: 2 - 3 - 4
Location: Cherry Creek Rm 167
Fee: \$50 per session

Cartoons & Comic Strips
Learn how to create characters and put them into a cartoon or comic strip format.
Instructor: Jennifer Bergsma
Session: July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
T - W - Th
Time: 12:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Grades: 2 - 3 - 4
Location: Cherry Creek Rm 167
Fee: \$40 per session

Let's Go Around The World
A great time for reading and writing fun.
Instructor: Jean Sernan
Session: July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29
T - W - Th
Time: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Grades: 1 - 2
Location: Cherry Creek Rm 101
Fee: \$45 per session

Gymnastics
Introduction to beginning tumbling skills.
Instructor: Ruth Zuiderveen
Session: June 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 July 1
July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
Time: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Grades: 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5
Location: Cherry Creek Gym
Fee: \$40 per session

Badminton
Get the birdie in this intro to badminton.
Instructor: Ruth Zuiderveen
Session: July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29
T - W - Th
Time: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Grades: 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5
Location: Cherry Creek Gym
Fee: \$40 per session

Camp Read A Lot
This Cherry Creek second grade reading program will continue the work students have done in the Accelerated Reader project. Contact any 2nd grade teacher at Cherry Creek for registration and times. (some evening times will be offered)

Blood, Guts, and Bones
Students will explore the inner workings of the human body through experiments, dissections, and the making of models.
Instructor: Sarah Fox
Session: June 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 July 1
July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29
T - W - Th
Time: 12:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Grades: 2 - 3 - 4 - 5
Location: Cherry Creek/Cafeteria
Fee: \$50 per session

Leap into MEAP
Students are invited to participate in this interdisciplinary class of reading, writing, science and math. A hands-on activity approach will be used to emphasize curriculum related to the MEAP.
Instructors: S. Beute, W. Perdok, L. Block, M. Tuori
Session: July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29
T - W - Th
Time: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. * OR
12:30 - 3:30 p.m.*
Grades: 2 - 4
Location: Cherry Creek Rm 168
Fee: \$95 per session
* Please indicate on your registration form a.m. or p.m. session.

Jr Great Books
Students interact with thought-provoking stories as they develop their reading, writing, communication, and critical thinking skills. Students should sign up for 2 sessions.
Instructor: Sarah Fox
Session: June 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 July 1
First six stories
July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
Last six stories
July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29
First six stories
8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Grades: 4 - 5
Location: Cherry Creek Rm 102
Fee: \$40 per session

Discover Dinosaurs
A great time for reading and writing fun.
Instructor: Jean Sernan
Session: June 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 July 1
T - W - Th
Time: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Grades: 1 - 2
Location: Cherry Creek Rm 101
Fee: \$45 per session

Journey To Outer Space
A great time for reading and writing fun.
Instructor: Jean Sernan
Session: July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
T - W - Th
Time: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Grades: 1 - 2
Location: Cherry Creek Rm 101
Fee: \$45 per session

Toy Company
A fun way to learn how companies develop products, work cooperatively to plan, create, and market a product.
Instructor: Jennifer Hall
Session: June 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 July 1
July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29
T - W - Th
Time: 12:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Grades: 6 - 7 - 8
Location: High School Rm A204
Fee: \$50 per session

Middle School
Note: Middle School classes are for current grade.

Astronomy
Students will learn all about astronomy including making telescopes, going to the Veen Observatory at night and building a model rocket. (nights will be announced at first class)
Instructor: Jim Foerch
Session: June 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 July 1
July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
T - W - Th
Time: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Grades: Will have some p.m. times 6 - 7 - 8
Location: Lowell High School Rm B208 and Kissing Rock Observatory
Fee: \$125 per session

Drama for Young People
Students will learn about stage presence, set production, costuming, etc. They will also produce short skits.
Instructor: Nancy Wood
Session: July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29
T - W - Th
Time: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Grades: 6 - 7 - 8
Location: Cherry Creek Stage
Fee: \$50 per session

Aerobics (Tae Bo)
Learn lessons on health and nutrition, relaxation techniques, warm-up and stretching, aerobic workouts and isometric exercise, and Tae Bo (Kick Boxing).
Instructor: Angela Newcomb
Session: June 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 July 1
July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29
T - W - Th
Time: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Grades: 6 - 7 - 8
Location: High School Auxiliary Gym
Fee: \$50 per session

Fun With Spanish
Exploratory Spanish is an introduction to conversational Spanish. Students will learn to hold everyday conversations. The main emphasis will be on speaking and pronunciation.
Instructor: Tammi Dent
Session: June 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 July 1
July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29
T - W - Th
Time: 12:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Grades: 6 - 7 - 8
Location: High School Rm A202
Fee: \$55 per session

Explore the Internet
Students will learn basic search techniques, to search for topics that interest them and present a report.
Instructor: Jennifer Gahan
Session: June 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 July 1
July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29
T - W - Th
Time: 12:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Grades: 6 - 7 - 8
Location: High School Rm B204
Fee: \$50 per session

Canvas Rug Painting
Each participant will design and paint a mosaic style canvas rug.
Instructor: Carol Foerch
Session: June 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 July 1
July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
T - W - Th
Time: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Grades: 5 - 6 - 7 - 8
Location: High School Rm D203
Fee: \$50 per session

Natural Disasters
Students will explore five natural disasters, including tornado, earthquake, volcano, hurricane, and avalanche.
Instructor: Kristen Ference
Session: June 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 July 1
July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29
T - W - Th
Time: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Grades: 6 - 7 - 8
Location: High School Rm C202
Fee: \$50 per session

REGISTRATION FORM
(1 FORM PER CHILD) REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MAY 21, 1999

Student Name: _____ Current Grade: _____
Parent Name: _____
Address: _____
Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____
Classes: _____ Session: _____ Fee: \$ _____
1st choice: _____
1st choice: _____
If 1st choice is unavailable, please list a 2nd choice:
2nd choice: _____
2nd choice: _____
Total Enclosed: _____

I/We qualify for Scholarship Assistance
 90% (free lunch) 50% (reduced)
 Bus transportation requested

Make checks payable to: Lowell Community Ed.
Questions? Call Beth at 897-8235

High School
Note: High School grade is current grade student is entering in the fall of 1999.

CATCH-UP or Advance EARN CREDIT:

English 9, 10, 11, or 12
Instructor: Jeff Larsen
Times: 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
July 12 - July 30
M - F
Location: Lowell High School Rm A206
Fee: \$125 per session
(Students needing only to complete their English paper will be charged \$65)

Algebra A or B
Instructor: Sue Frasier
Grades: 9 - 10 - 11 - 12
Times: 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Alg-A - June 14 - July 8
M - Th (except July 5)
Alg-B - July 12 - July 30
M - F
Location: Lowell High School Rm A212
Fee: \$125 per session

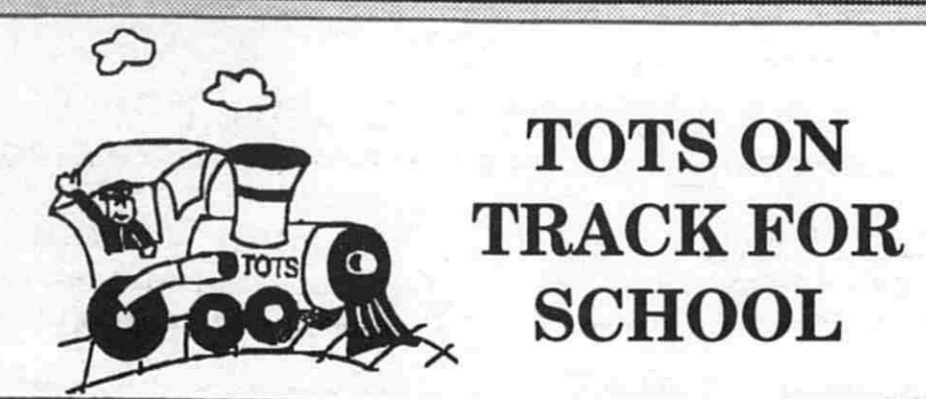
Geometry A or B
Instructor: Shane Risner
Grades: 9 - 10 - 11 - 12
Times: 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Geo-A - June 14 - July 8
M - Th (except July 5)
Geo-B - July 12 - July 30
M - F
Location: Lowell High School Rm A210
Fee: \$125 per session

U.S. History
1865 - 1941 or 1941 - present. Project based.
Instructor: Sue Bristol
Grades: 9 - 10 - 11 - 12
Times: 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
July 12 - July 30
M - F
Location: Lowell High School Rm A208
Fee: \$125 per session

ENRICHMENT NON CREDIT:

Aerobics (Tae Bo)
Students will be learning lessons health and nutrition, relaxation techniques, proper warm-up and stretching, aerobic workouts and isometric exercise and Tae Bo (Kick Boxing).
Instructor: Angela Newcomb
Session: June 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 July 1
July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29
T - W - Th
Time: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Grades: 6 - 7 - 8
Location: High School Auxiliary Gym
Fee: \$50 per session

Other exciting opportunities are available from the Lowell Area Arts Council (897-8545), the Franciscan Life Process Center (897-7842), and the Lowell YMCA (897-8445). Please contact these organizations for more information.
The YMCA will run a full-day child care program at Cherry Creek (6 a.m. to 6 p.m.) from Monday through Friday beginning June 14. Combine a summer class at Cherry Creek with daycare through the YMCA. Call 897-4371 for details.
Transportation for summer classes only provided upon request. It is not necessary to contact the bus garage if you check the box on the registration form. Your confirmation post card will include all transportation information.



Many free activities are planned for April and May! All activities are held at the Administration Offices at 300 High Street. Call Kathy Cole at 897-8415 to register for any of these events:

April 24th - TOTS Used Clothing, Toys, Books and Baby Essentials Sale
For preschool families to sell or buy infant and preschool items
Sale is from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the gymnasium

May 5th - CELEBRATE SPRING!
10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. OR 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Come for a morning or evening with your preschooler and enjoy a story, art project, songs and fingerplays. Come dressed for fun!

May 11th - RAISING KIDS WITH CHARACTER
7:00-8:00 p.m.
Sponsored by the Early Childhood PTO, this program will offer parents and grandparents of children preschool age through 5th grade ten steps to help develop their character traits.

May 18th - A BABY SHOWER FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS
7:00-8:00 p.m.
Gifts for you and baby, parenting information, refreshments.

May 20th - THE ART OF MAKING A MESS
10:00-11:00 a.m. OR 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Bring your preschooler, wear your "play" clothes and plan on having fun painting with pudding, shaving creme and paint!

LOWELL COMMUNITY EDUCATION
CALL 897-8235 TO REGISTER

SPORTS CAMPS
Sports Camps are offered by Barry Hobla Athletic Director and Lowell High School coaches. They will be offering basketball, football, gymnastics, tennis, volleyball, cheer leading and soccer for boys and girls from elementary through middle school age. For more information call: Barry Hobla -897-4445.

LOWELL COMMUNITY EDUCATION
All enrichment and academic classes are offered by Lowell Community Education. Please send completed form along with payment to: Lowell Community Education, 300 High Street, Lowell, MI 49331. Mark "Summer School" on your envelope.

Classes will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. Your check holds your spot. There will be no refunds after the first class. You will be notified if a class is not offered due to low enrollment (minimum of 10 per class). If your family qualifies for free or reduced lunches, scholarships are available. Deadline for registration for both classes and scholarships is May 21, 1999. A confirmation post card will be mailed.
For more information call: Beth at Lowell Community Education - 897-8235
After July 1 call: Beth at Cherry Creek Elementary - 897-9257
**Students attending both AM and PM sessions will need to bring a lunch.



PAJAMA DAY
Our preschool classes in the Runciman Building recently had a Pajama Day at school. Students and teachers alike came to school in their bedtime attire.

UNIFIED ARTS - APRIL FOCUS

This month we feature unified arts as we continue to share the great opportunities students receive through Lowell Area Schools. It was mentioned last month that our middle and high school bands have been very active this year. Our elementary music program is also very much a part of the weekly schedule for students in grades K-5th.

Music is taught in ways that offer children experiences using many of their senses (multi-sensory learning). They listen, they see, they use their sense of touch. The children "map" songs as a pre-reading exercise and develop short- and long-term memory by memorizing words and music. A grant given to Alto Elementary offers the students and music teacher a chance to work with Dr. Randal McChesney, President of the Richards Institute of Education Through Music. He will visit the school five times this year to provide on-site analysis and teaching strategies and implementation techniques.

Art is another means by which students may express themselves. Classes are electives in the high school and included in the elementary and middle school offerings. From drawing, painting and sculpturing, to using ceramics, textiles, and learning art history, students learn that art is an important part of one's life and one's surroundings. Integration with core subjects makes the art experience relate to our students' world in a greater way. Their art work is displayed throughout the year within our school buildings, as well as entered into local and state art shows.

The ARTful Invention project allows students to invent an "anything's possible" invention, where science meets up with fantasy. Students can be creative and stretch their minds as they develop their invention.

BAD WEATHER INFORMATION
On any school day, when the weather is bad, school postponement or closing will be broadcast over these radio stations: WCUC, WGRD, WJFM, WKTH, WLAV, WLHT, and WOOD TV, and WZZM-TV. Every effort will be made to have the notice of school postponement or closing on the air by 6:45 a.m.

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

BOARD MEMBERS

Pete Gustafson.....President	Norm Byrne.....Trustee
Mark Blanding.....Vice President	Jack Lane.....Treasurer
Pat Nugent.....Trustee	James Reagan.....Trustee
Ann Mulder.....Secretary	Erin Umlauf.....H.S. Student Council Rep

Time In TO ADULT & COMMUNITY EDUCATION
LOWELL COMMUNITY EDUCATION
CALL 897-8235 TO REGISTER

- Puppy Party**.....Begins April 14th for puppies under 5 months\$25
- Yoga**.....Begins April 20th learn the basics of yoga\$35
- Hunter Safety**.....Begins April 12th pre-registration a must\$ 5
- Dog 101**.....Begins April 14th for dogs 5 months and older\$70
- Adult Dog 202**.....Begins April 12th prerequisite is Dog 101.....\$70
- Shade Garden**.....On April 20th create a design, discuss the care.....\$5
- Native Habitat Garden**.....On April 27th improve habitat for butterflies, birds....\$ 5
- Sanchin-Ryu Karate and Self-Defense**
Begins April 12th - build self-confidence and coordination
• Juniors (K-8) \$20 • Women \$20 • Open to All \$40 • Family \$75

Lowell Area Schools DIRECTIONS

A MONTHLY COMMUNICATION PUBLICATION TO PARENTS AND THE COMMUNITY

April 1999

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK IS APRIL 18-24

We would like to thank the many, many volunteers who help our district. The presence of volunteers allows our teachers more time to focus on students and provides coordination of projects and fund-raisers that otherwise would not be possible.

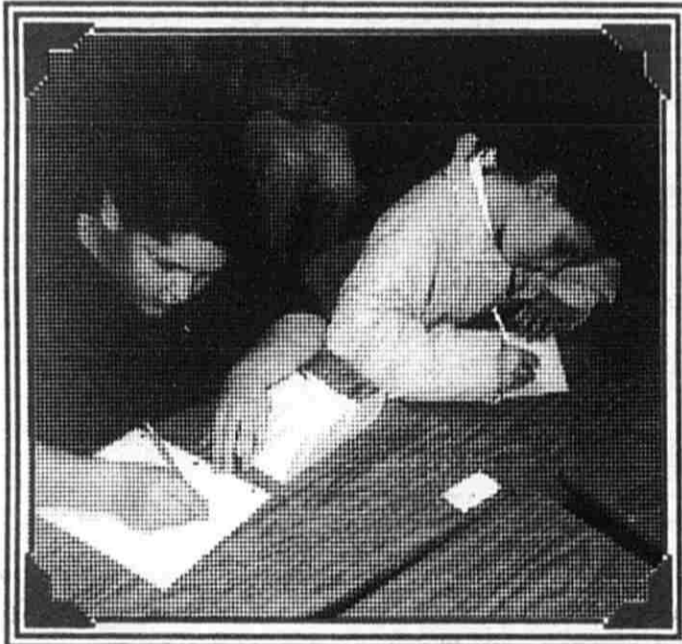
THANK YOU!

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK IS MAY 2-8

To our teaching staff of approximately 200 persons within our six buildings, we want to say THANK YOU for the extraordinary job you do in teaching our children, preschool through twelfth grade! You've heard the saying, I Touch the Future, I Teach!, and it's so true. You give countless hours-before school, during school, after school, in making certain each day for your students will be one of exceptional learning and development of the whole person. Please accept the school district's gratitude for choosing this profession and choosing our school district in which to teach.

PEN PALS

Mr. Noskey's fifth grade class at Cherry Creek Elementary has spent the last few months corresponding with varsity basketball players and cheerleaders from Lowell High School. It has allowed the fifth graders to see a personal side of these athletes. "It's fun writing to Shane (Teelander). He's my friend, now," said fifth grader Mike Long. "It's cool writing to Kristy (Ford). She is a neat person, and I like learning about her family, friends and other stuff," said fifth grader Alana Anderson.



Christopher Burger and Mallory Stephens writing to their pen pals.

Many students attended home basketball games to see their pen pals in action. The experience has bonded the fifth graders with a high school athlete. "I really never realized how much these kids look up to us. I've enjoyed writing to my pen pal and seeing him at our games," said Shane Teelander. Though the basketball season has ended, some pen pals continue to write back and forth.



Mrs. Busman's Alto second graders are smiling because they received Accelerated Reader books donated to them by the Alto Lion's Club.

WEB SITE FOR MATH

Are you looking for an avenue to help your child in math?

Log on to:

<http://www.mste.uiuc.edu/mccall/mainlesson.html>

You'll find - lessons to motivate Underachieving Math Students-- comprehensive list of math lessons and courses

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES NEWS TALENT DEVELOPMENT WEEK DESIGNATED BY GOVERNOR ENGLER AS APRIL 25-30.

This year's theme is "Nurturing the Gifted Learner." Our school nurtures the talents of and provides challenges for gifted learners in several ways, beginning in preschool programs and continuing throughout their school years. The WINGS program has been established to work for excellence and enrichment of the academic talents of our students. It provides challenging classroom activities for students identified as quick learners and higher-level thinkers. Beyond the classroom, our unified arts teachers promote creativity, fitness and life skills to meet these students' needs.

In addition, WINGS supports enrichments for a larger number of students through Odyssey of the Mind, Junior Great Books, Academic Track, Science Olympiad, Model U.N., Art Clubs at all levels, Creative Writing projects and summer school programs. Please take time during this month to thank the many educators who nurture the talents of our children and youth.



Third graders meet with Mrs. Roth to explore today's world using Time For Kids.

SCREENING PROVIDED FOR PRESCHOOLERS

Do you have a concern that your 2 1/2 - 4 1/2 year old is not speaking as clearly as their siblings or neighbors? Is your son or daughter having difficulty cutting, or running, or jumping? If you have concerns regarding your child's development, please call our office soon at 897-8415 to make an appointment to bring your child in for some basic testing April 23. Based on these test results, your child may be eligible for one of our programs: Head Start, Four-Year-Old Readiness Program, or Pre-Primary Impaired class.

SCHOOLS OF CHOICE PLAN

A choice of school location is available within the Lowell Area Schools system at the elementary level. If you have reason to attend another elementary building/school than is normal for your resident address, you may make application to do so. Please contact Kay Jones, in the Superintendent's Office, at 897-8415 by June 10, 1999 to apply.

Questions regarding this process may also be directed to Kay. It may be necessary to limit approval of choice requests according to space within our buildings.

CHARACTER COUNTS!

It all began with the need for one middle school student to mentor a 1st grader at Bushnell and has resulted in 30 8th graders matched up with Bushnell students, helping the younger kids with their lessons, reading together and being on the playground together.

A teacher asked for one volunteer to help one student. Now Lowell has an active program between middle school students and Bushnell kids, showing our community traits of responsibility, compassion and respect in action!