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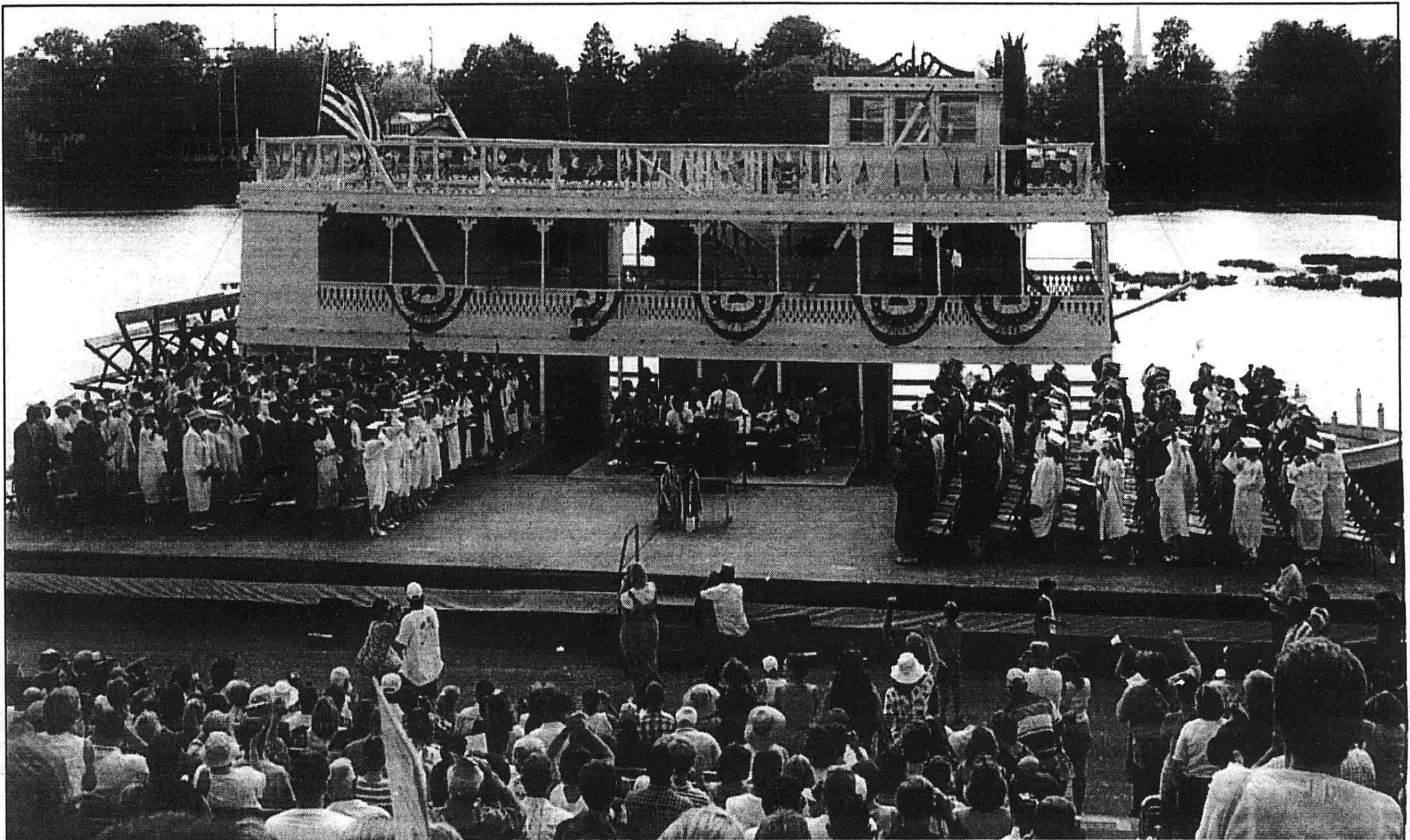
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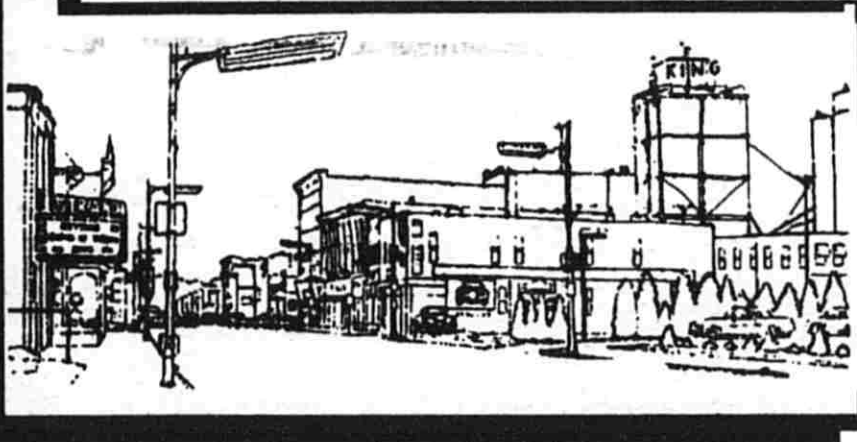
Wednesday, June 9, 1999



## Showboat Full of Class

For what may have been the final time, the Lowell Showboat was the site of Lowell High School Commencement Exercises. The 121st graduation ceremony bestowed diplomas upon 236 graduates. Increasing class sizes are expected to make it necessary to move the commencement exercises to Red Arrow Stadium in the future. LHS graduation pictures and story on page 32.

### Along Main Street



#### CHARITY CAR WASH

Do you have a dirty car parked in your driveway? The Senior High Youth Group of the Lowell First United Methodist Church would be happy to wash away that dirt and grime this Saturday, June 12 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Family Fare. Free will donation.

#### COOKIE CONTEST

Watch for the Cookie Contest. Details next week's Ledger. Benefit cookie contest for the Fifth Annual Covered Bridge Bike Tour sponsored by Fallsburg Historical Society.

#### SHOWBOAT GARDEN CLUB 50TH ANNIVERSARY

The Showboat Garden Club has planned a reunion for Monday, June 14. Former garden club members who would like to celebrate with us may call 897-8973 for further details.

#### SHOWBOAT SUMMER SHOWS

Theater Entrance (4-H Drama Club) will be the entertainment at the Lowell Showboat from 7 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, June 16. There is no admission fee. In case of rain, the show will be cancelled.

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## Increased water consumption decreases township cost

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

An increase in Lowell Charter Township water consumption will account for a decrease in what its customers pay per thousand gallons beginning July 1, 1999.

From May 1, 1998 to April 30, 1999, Lowell Charter Township's water con-

sumption increased from 31,418,000 gallons to 34,646,000 gallons, an increase of 3,228,000.

The township's water rate will decrease from \$2.89 per thousand gallons to \$2.80.

The water rate was determined using the Water Supply Agreement the city and township agreed upon back

in 1992 and as amended in 1997.

Lowell's Council approved a readiness-to-serve rate increase for city residents from \$17.50 to \$17.75.

It also approved a commodity charge increase from \$1.58 to \$1.68 per thousand gallons per month.

Lowell city manager Dave Pasquale said the increase is necessary to meet the cost of capital improvement projects, and maintain a cash balance of \$100,000 in the fund.

The last time city residents incurred a hike in their water rates was 1997.

## Fifth annual Cherry Creek Classic to benefit King Memorial Youth Center

••• The gun sounds for the 5K run/walk at 8 a.m. Saturday.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

On Saturday, for the fifth consecutive year, the Cherry Creek Classic 5K will race into Lowell just ahead of summer.

Over the last four years, the community event has raised and returned \$9,000 back into the community.

Last year \$2,500 was donated to the Lowell Area Schools' D.A.R.E. program. Previously, \$3,000 was given



to the Lowell Area Schools Education Foundation; \$2,500 to the Englehardt Library and \$1,000 to the Lowell Showboat.

This year proceeds will go toward the construction of the King Memorial Youth

Center.

Event coordinators Terry VanderWarf and Thad Kraus hope to exceed their runner participation total (228) of a year ago.

Runners may register at the Lowell Middle School on Friday, June 11 from 4 until 6 p.m. or on the day of the race from 7 until 7:45 a.m.

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### INSIDE THE LEDGER



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# OBITUARIES

**DAUGHERTY** - Ronald D. Daugherty Sr., aged 44, of Houghton Lake formerly of Ionia, passed away Wednesday, June 2, 1999, in Traverse City, MI. He was born in Plainwell, MI, November 24, 1954, to the parents of Myron

Daugherty and Betty Bemis. He was an active member of the Amateur Softball Association. He married Peggy Bennett on March 1, 1975, in Ionia. Besides his wife he is survived by his mother Betty Bemis of Houghton Lake; two sons Ronnie Daugherty of Chicago and LeRoy Daugherty of Houghton Lake; one daughter Theresa Daugherty of Ionia; two brothers Michael (Penny) Daugherty of Ionia and David Daugherty of Houghton Lake; two sisters Penny Tucker and Sarah Daugherty of Houghton Lake and one soon-to-be-born granddaughter. Funeral services were held Sunday at the Lake Funeral Home in Ionia with Rev. Kenneth Harger officiating of Shiloh Community Church. Interment Easton Cemetery. Anyone wishing may make contributions to the American Heart Fund in care of the funeral home.

**CHESEBRO** - Max A. Chesebro, Sr., aged 62, of Dyer, passed away on Monday, May 24, 1999. Survived by wife Edith; one son Max (Penny) Chesebro, Jr. of Dyer; one daughter Liane (Rich) Urycki of Valparaiso; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; two brothers Larry (Edith) Chesebro of Ada, and Kim (Pam) Chesebro and one sister Nola Beth (Red) Bristol, both of Lowell; several nieces and nephews. A private family service was held Wednesday, May 26, with cremation following. A Memorial Service was held on Friday, May 28. Mr. Chesebro was retired from Levy Company with 27 years of service and was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

**LACIC** - Lucille Marie Lacic, aged 72, of Lowell, passed away Wednesday, June 2, 1999. She is survived by her husband Casimir

Lacic; her children Mike Powers, Jim Powers, Pam (George) Sheldon, Peggy (Brian) Shoemaker; stepchildren Jim (Eddy) Lacic, Kathy (Joel) Jons; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; sister Pat (Chuck) MacIntyre; brothers-in-law

Walt Lacic, Albert (Dot) Lacic; and several nieces and nephews. Memorial Service was held at Graceland Mausoleum Saturday. Memorial contributions may be given to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

## Vits to visit KDL this summer

Bill Vits and his popular program, Percussion Discussion, return to various Kent District Library branches this summer. Those who attend will have the chance to see, hear and try percussion instruments from around the world. In keeping with the Australian theme of this year's summer reading club, Vits will also bring along some instruments from Australia. This free program is appropriate for all ages.

Vits has been principal percussionist with the Grand Rapids Symphony since 1979. Along with his collection of "anything that makes noise" instruments, he has been entertaining and enlightening summer reading club audiences for many years.

This program is part of the *G' Day for Reading*, Summer Reading Club. The Summer Reading Club celebrates

the magical land down under - Australia. Children of all ages (and adults) may register at any Kent District Library for the Summer Reading Club between June 14 and August 7. Readers who have reached their reading goal and completed the summer reading club are eligible for prize drawings including a trip to Walt Disney World for four.

The Englehardt Branch in Lowell will be hosting the Percussion Discussion program on Thursday, June 17 at 10:30 a.m.

For more information about the Percussion Discussion program, contact the Englehardt Library at 897-9596 or the Kent District Library at 336-3250.

**A modest man is usually admired—if people ever hear of him.**  
—Edgar Watson Howe

## Maatman's request for variance approved

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell's Zoning Board of Appeals supported a vote of 5-2 by the Lowell Planning Commission to approve a request for a distance variance between a proposed garage and house.

The consent of Lowell fire chief Frank Martin and the configuration of buildings on his lot helped former mayor, Jim Maatman, earn

the planning commission's recommendation and the Zoning Board of Appeals support.

Maatman is asking to construct a garage on his property three feet from his house.

He stated that because of the configuration of buildings on his lot at 126 N. Hudson, he is unable to accommodate the 10-foot distance required between a house and accessory building.

The ordinance is in place to prevent fire hopping from one building to another. Since there are no other property owners' buildings adjacent to Maatman's, Martin said he didn't see a problem as long as there is sufficient firewall protection.

Maatman received a letter of support for his request from his neighbor Arnold Kimball, 202 N. Hudson.

## Safety Day at Ferrellgas, June 25

June is National Safety Month and members of the Lowell Ferrellgas Employee-Owners are celebrating with a special Safety Day open house on June 25 from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.

The event will include demonstrations, tours, hot dogs, soft drinks, balloons and drawings for prizes. The Lowell Fire Department will be represented as well with safety tips and handouts.

"Ferrellgas has earned a nationwide reputation for safety," says district manager, Duane Bredahl. "Among the causes for this reputation are the patented 'Ferrellmeter Leak Detection System' and

a safety department which is second to none. This special day reinforces our commitment to providing our customers with safe, reliable ser-

vice every day. We're looking forward to saying thank you to our community on Safety Day."

## CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE LAST DATE TO FILE NOMINATING PETITIONS JUNE 22, 1999 4:00 P.M.

Persons interested in seeking election to the Lowell City Council to fill any of the three (3) vacancies occurring, must obtain nominating petition forms for circulations and return not later than 4:00 p.m. on June 22, 1999. Petition forms are available between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. from the Lowell City Deputy Clerk, Lowell City Hall, 301 East Main Street, Lowell.

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5th Annual **CHERRY CREEK 5k CLASSIC**  
JUNE 12, 1999 • STARTING TIME: 8:00 AM

**REGISTRATION:** All entries mailed to Cherry Creek Classic, P.O. Box 62, Lowell, MI 49331. Any questions, call Terry at (616) 897-5148 evenings or Thad (616) 897-6254 evenings.  
**ENTRY FEE:** Now until June 8th, \$12; June 9th to race day, \$15. Check or money order made out to Cherry Creek Classic (Do not send cash).  
**GROUP RATE:** A group of 20 or more participants receive a rate of \$10 per person up until June 9.  
**PACKET PICK-UP:** June 11th, 1999 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. and race morning from 7 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.  
**LOCATION FOR PICK-UP:** Middle School - north entrance.  
**AWARDS:** Top overall male and female runners' medals three deep in each age group. Male and female run and walk. Awards handed out around 10 a.m.

AGE GROUPS:	14 & under	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-65	66 & over
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Registered runners and walkers will receive a tee-shirt. Late registration after June 8th will also receive a tee-shirt to be picked up at a designated place and time to be announced race day.

Proceeds to King Memorial Youth Center Program

5k RUN • 5k WALK

LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
MALE \_\_\_\_\_ FEMALE \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_  
SHIRT SIZE (circle) XL L  
5K RUN \_\_\_\_\_ 5K WALK \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent (If under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

I know running a road race is a potentially hazardous activity. I should not enter a run unless I am medically active and properly trained. I agree to abide by any decision of a race official relative to my ability to safely complete the run. I assume all risks associated with running in this event including but not limited to falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather, including high and low temperatures, traffic and conditions of the road, all risks being known by me. Having read this waiver and knowing all the facts and in consideration of my accepting my entry, I, for myself and anyone to act on my behalf, waive and release the city of Lowell, Vergennes & Lowell townships, Cherry Creek Classic and all personnel, all volunteers, Race Director, and all sponsors involved in this event their representatives and successors from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event. I grant my permission to all of the foregoing to use photographs, motion pictures, recording or any record of this event for any legitimate purpose.

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Aforesaid documents 1, 2 and 3 are available by the requesting of a certified, and attested-copy of the said Notices at the cost of one (1): pre-anno-Domini: 1933 dime.

The any-party wishing to take any exception by refuting, rebutting, and/or objecting to the said Public-Notices, must do so by the Lawful Protest, within thirty (30) days of the first (1): day of the publication of the aforementioned Notices, and must mail responses to the Attorney in the Fact by the Registered Return Receipt to:  
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- Religious education instructor

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- Higher student achievement
- Community trust

**VOTE NANCY HOPKINS**  
LOWELL SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION  
Monday, June 14  
PAID FOR BY THE COMMITTEE TO ELECT NANCY HOPKINS

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## REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF REGULAR ELECTION OF THE ELECTORS OF LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS KENT AND IONIA COUNTIES, MICHIGAN TO BE HELD JUNE 14, 1999

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the regular election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 14, 1999.

THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING AND CLOSE AT 8 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

At the regular school election there will be elected two (2) members to the board of education of the district for full terms of four (4) years ending in 2003.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS HAVE BEEN NOMINATED TO FILL SUCH VACANCIES:

Debra K. Canfield Nancy L. Hopkins Mark T. Lessens

Write-in candidates must file a Declaration of Intent on or before 4 p.m. Friday, June 11, 1999.

GRAND RAPIDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE REGULAR BIENNIAL ELECTION

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Regular Biennial Election of Grand Rapids Community College, Michigan, will be held at the same time and at the same voting places as the regular school election on Monday, June 14, 1999, and will be conducted by the same school officials for those electors of the Community College District residing in this school district.

At the Regular Biennial Election there will be elected two (2) members for the office of Community College District Trustee for full terms of six (6) years ending June 30, 2005.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS HAVE BEEN NOMINATED TO FILL SUCH VACANCIES:

SIX YEAR TERMS (VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 2)

Miguel Berrios Janice L. Maggini  
Donald A. Dykstra Michael A. Stearns

Write-in candidates must file a Declaration of Intent on or before 4 p.m. Friday, June 11, 1999.

THE VOTING PLACES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

**PRECINCT NO. 1**  
Voting Place: Runciman Elementary School, 300 High Street, Lowell, Michigan. The first precinct consists of the City of Lowell and those portions lying north of the centerline of Cascade Road in Cascade and Lowell Townships in Kent County, and Boston Township in Ionia County.

**PRECINCT NO. 2**  
Voting Place: Old Bowne Township Hall, 8240 Alden Nash Road, Alto, Michigan. The second precinct consists of Bowne Township in Kent County and Campbell Township in Ionia County and those portions lying south of the centerline of Cascade Road in Cascade and Lowell Townships in Kent County, and Boston Township in Ionia County.

**PRECINCT NO. 3**  
Voting Place: Vergennes Township Hall, corner of Bailey Drive and Parnell Avenue in Vergennes Township. The third precinct consists of the Townships of Ada, Cannon, Grattan, and Vergennes in Kent County, and Keene Township in Ionia County.

All school electors who are registered with the city or township clerk of the city or township in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election.

This Notice is given by order of the board of education.

Ann Mulder  
Secretary, Board of Education



# Reflections

Of Faith

By Robert Holmes  
Christian Life Center

Abraham Lincoln's coffin was pried open twice. The first occasion was in 1887, twenty-two years after his assassination. Why? You may be surprised to find out it was not to determine if he died of

a bullet fired from John Wilkes Booth's derring. Why? Because a rumor was sweeping the country that his coffin was empty. A select group of witnesses observed that the rumor was totally false, then watched as the casket was resealed with lead.

A second time, 14 years later, Lincoln's coffin was again opened - to be viewed by even more witnesses. Why...again? For the same grim purpose! Rumors of the same nature were again circulating throughout the country implanting doubts in the public's mind. The pressure mounted to such proportions that the same ghoulis ceremony had to be carried out a second time. In spite of the strong protests of Lincoln's son, the body was exposed a second time. Officials felt the rumors should be laid to rest along with the Civil War president. Finally, the corpse was permanently embedded in a crypt at Springfield, Illinois.

"How unfair!" we say. "Cruel!" is an even better word. But gossip and rumors are just like that. Lacking authoritative facts, information is loosely disseminated, creating unrest and harm. People who thrive on these kinds of tid-bits are brutal.

There probably isn't a person alive today who has not felt the pain caused by gossip, rumors or innuendoes. I've often likened it to someone taking a feather pillow outside on a windy day and slashing the pillow and letting the feathers be blown by the wind. It's impossible to ever gather all of those feathers back together again - no matter how hard you try - to undo what was done - you'll never be able to do it. How many times have we spoken too quickly or said something that as soon as the words had escaped our mouth that we wish we hadn't said that. But it's too late - no matter how hard you try to undo what was said - you can't "un-say"

something - just as you can't regather the feathers once they have been blown by the wind. "They say," or "I understand from others," provides safety for the rumor-spreader. The brother of our Lord penned some poignant words when he said, "The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole person, sets the whole course of his life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell. (James 3:6).

In order for gossip or rumor to succeed, it requires at least two people - the gossiper and the gossipee. So if you are tired of your ears being a garbage dump for someone else, I suggest that you employ the following criteria when dealing with rumors or gossip:

- 1) Identify sources by name. If someone is determined to share information that is damaging or hurtful, request that the source be specifically stated.
- 2) Support evidence with facts. Don't accept hearsay. Rumors fade when exposed to the light.
- 3) Ask the person, "May I quote you?" It's amazing how quickly talebearers can backpedal.
- 4) Openly admit, "I don't appreciate hearing that." That may be a tough one - but it's one sure way to halt the regular garbage delivery to your ears.

One more quote from the lips of James. "We all stumble in many ways. If anyone is never at fault in what he says, he is a perfect man, able to keep his whole body in check." (James 3:2). Are you looking for perfection? This is a good place to start.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**JUNE 10** - Jim Stone, April Decker, Courtney Tulppo.  
**JUNE 11** - Joseph Vezino, Jeanne Boss.  
**JUNE 12** - Benjamin Zoodsma, Jenny Engle.  
**JUNE 13** - Holly Gregersen, Vivian Hoskins.  
**JUNE 14** - Ruth Hoag, Kyle Manszewski.  
**JUNE 15** - Joey Hunt Jr., Courtney Baker, Rachel Heimicke, Caran Schalow, Katlin Manszewski.  
**JUNE 16** - Roger Raymor, Michael Pretzel, Orin Comdure, Jean Bishop.

## COLLEGE NEWS

Jaelyn Sue (Johnson) Ashla graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Southern Maine on Saturday, May 8, 1999 with a BA in Natural and Applied Sciences with a concentration in biological illnesses.

She is a 1975 Lowell High School graduate and the daughter of Martin and Treva Johnson. She plans on working at the university in the laboratory and wait until her sons are older to go for her OT masters, as it has more credit hour demands than she can give right now.

Sean Bernard Ellison, Scott Patrick Smith and David Dean VanderMeulen, all of Lowell, were among a total of 1,174 students who achieved placement on the spring quarter dean's list at Michigan Technological University by earning a grade point of 3.5 or higher. Dr. Martha Janners, dean of students, reported that 235 students earned straight 'A' averages of 4.00, one of which was VanderMeulen.

## AREA BIRTHS

Casey and Paige Rozell are proud to introduce their new little brother, Alexander Fayroyce. He was born Thursday, May 6, 1999, at 6:59 a.m. weighing 7 lbs. 13 1/2 oz. and measuring 22 1/4

inches long. Parents are Richard and Judy Rozell of Ada. Grandparents are Henry and Linda Thorson of Stanwood and Dick and Debby Rozell of Nashville.

Randy and Diana (Keim) Schultz of Pico Rivera, CA, 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, FL.

# Viewpoint . . .



cozy corner  
by Roger Brown

Sinclair Lewis' "Main Street" is on my list of books to read before I die. However, I've heard enough about the book to know the line, "You can never go home" came from it. The line has become a common metaphor for the simple fact that none of us can reclaim our youth or our past. Given the above, I have a story to tell about a toilet. Bear with me now. I think I can make Sinclair Lewis' famous novel and a commode come full circle.

One of my employees purchased our old house a few years back. She is our proofreader here at the Ledger and will certainly read this. Therefore I have to be careful of what I write. Do I have your attention, Toni? "Yes, Roger." Some weeks ago she was sputtering around the office about the contractors working on the upstairs bathroom. I made a few wisecracks, and with tongue firmly planted in cheek, I scolded her for tearing out the beautiful aqua and gold ceramic tile. It was a bathroom to haunt your dreams.

Back in the seventies the house was given an extensive facelift by the people we purchased it from. The upstairs bath was a compromise between a garish aqua tile job from who knows when, and some fresh paint, wallpaper and fixtures with a '70's flavor. It looked as bad as it sounds. During our tenure Terese had me neutralize it a bit by installing white countertop and sinks. We also updated the paint and wallpaper. It looked

better, but it was obvious the decor spanned many, many decades. I don't know of a decorator's term for this "look," but "upchuck" comes to mind.

I guess I can understand Toni's desire to gut the room and start over. To me it was the upstairs, out-a-sight, out-a-mind bath that was used, and trashed, by my teenage kids and their friends. I never much cared what the decor was like, cause I only went up there if something needed fixing. The tub drain clogged occasionally as I remember. I'd fix the problem, yell at the kids about the mess upstairs and the whole thing was forgotten until the next time something broke up there.

On a recent trip to Arizona to visit my grandkids and their parents, I mentioned that Toni was remodeling the upstairs bath in the old house. In a feigned panic, Angie, my daughter, said, "She didn't throw away my toilet, did she?" Yes, in case you hadn't learned by now, our family is a little on the strange side.

I'd forgotten the toilet. It was extremely '70's. It was a Crane and I'm sure it was very expensive. It had a low profile tank, extra elongated bowl and scooped shape with a seat to match the contour of the bowl. Sitting on it was akin to flopping down in an expensive leather recliner. Angie said her friends from school would come to our house just to use that toilet. What an honor. "Hey dude, remember the Browns? They had that awesome toilet! Extreme!"

It really was awesome. Unfortunately, it was glazed in some terrible pinkish beige color from the '70's facelift. "Upchuck mauve," I believe it was called.

When I returned to Michigan I asked Toni if "the" toilet was being replaced. "Oh my! Why of course!" was the reply. She added that it was in her backyard when she'd left for work that morning and she'd told the contractors to get rid of it. When I asked if I could have it, she looked at me like I'd gone straight off the deep end. I took that as a "yes" and made a

beeline for the house. No toilet. No contractors. I went back to the shop where I made Toni promise to try and track it down. I know she thinks I'm nuts.

Later that day she reported back that it had been hauled to a dumpster at the contractor's house on the other side of town. Unfortunately, the cover to the tank had been smashed in transit. I went over anyway. The toilet looked pretty forlorn alongside the dumpster with no tank cover. The years had coated the works with lime. The inside of the tank was somewhat rust stained. The missing cover was even an odd shape with a stepped down front edge. Trying to match that and the color would likely be impossible. I left it there by the dumpster. My dreams were shattered like the tank cover.

My intent had been to clean it, install new works, crate it up and send it to Arizona as a Christmas gift. Unfortunately for Angie, taking her constitutional on a low-profile, extra-elongated, scoop-shaped, upchuck mauve toilet will simply have to remain a fond memory. Sinclair Lewis was right. You can never go home.



By Priscilla Lussmyer

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

**125 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL WEEKLY JOURNAL - JUNE 10, 1874**  
Hall & Ramsdell employ three hands to manufacture cigars. Dr. Arvine Peck is first vice-president of the State Eclectic-Medical Association.  
Saturday night's violent rain storm filled many cellars with water and filled some streets. It dug a huge gully where Mr. Blain's garden had been. Saranac dams were washed out.  
Three children in one Ada family recently died of scarlet fever.

**100 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JUNE 8, 1899**  
Regrettably, many 1899 issues are missing. The June 1 paper looked like it had been in an accident. Even worse, the next issue is August 17, and the next after that, October 5. Except for general tatters, they seem OK after that. We'll figure out something next week.

**75 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL LEDGER AND ALTO SOLO - JUNE 5, 1924**  
Commencement Week programs take most of page 1. Victor Peckham and Harold Collins are valedictorian and salutatorian of the 37-member class.  
Simon Pettit of Lowell, 94, is the oldest Civil War veteran in Michigan, it is said.  
The Village Council will provide the foundation and insurance for the grandstand to be built at Recreation Park; the Board of Trade and volunteer labor will put it up.  
City State Bank is paying 4 percent on savings accounts.

**50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JUNE 9, 1949**  
The Fitzgerald Grill joins other stores over the river in acquiring a "very modern, new" look.  
George A. Hale is the new postmaster, succeeding Mabel Bibbler who has been acting postmaster for the past four years.  
Hesche's Farm Market, a new venture, opens at the east gate of Lowell.  
The Fallsburg Cubs baseball team defeats the Creston Merchants at Fallsburg Park, 13-2.  
Coach Chris and Mrs. Burch give a turkey dinner at their home for their championship baseball team, the first in the Grand Valley League since it was formed.

**25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER-SUBURBAN LIFE - JUNE 6, 1974**  
Lowell native Fred Althaus returns to open a law office here.  
The Lowell Showboat Corporation, after much paper-filing and red tape, becomes tax-exempt.  
The group "Stillwater," playing six nights a week in Grand Rapids, consists of Jerry and Cindy Adams, Gary Everling, Dave Jones, Roger McNaughton and Dale Kropf.  
Chris VanAntwerp of Sunfield has several works on display at MSU's Kresge Art Center Gallery, as a master of fine arts candidate.

## TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor,  
I am writing this letter to show my support for Nancy Hopkins, candidate for the Lowell School Board.  
As a neighbor and friend, Nancy has shown concern for activities in our neighborhood and schools. I know she will look forward to the future and plan in the best interest of our kids. We all want to keep our school district financially sound while continuing to provide quality education.  
The school board needs to reach out and communicate with a diverse group of citizens to plan and promote school issues. Nancy's public relations background should support these needs well. Another good quality is that she has three children in Lowell Schools, which makes her more aware of school issues. And I also believe that gender diversity is

important in the make-up of the school board.  
I strongly support Nancy Hopkins in her candidacy for the Lowell School Board.

Sincerely,  
Susan Wagner

To the Editor,  
To the people of Lowell. I would like to say, "The city does have a heart." My husband who is 94 and bedridden worried we had no water - the pump just quit.

On Wednesday morning we asked the city if they could get us water from a spigot on the 4-H grounds. At 2 p.m. that very day, we had water in our well was fixed on Saturday.  
Thanks be to God  
I live in Lowell.  
Mrs. Maynard Barton.

**Artist's Way.** (A Course in Discovering and Recovering Your Creative Self). It wasn't long before I drove to Schuler's bookstore and got a copy. I'm on my second read and journaling the book as well.

Sometime in the early part of this year, a phone call alerted me to other Cameron books, *The Right to Write* and *The Vein of Gold*. These books are full of hope and encouragement, instruction and direction for those who enjoy writing.  
Seize the day! Visit the library or a favorite bookstore.

Joan Wittenbach's  
**BOOK REVIEW**

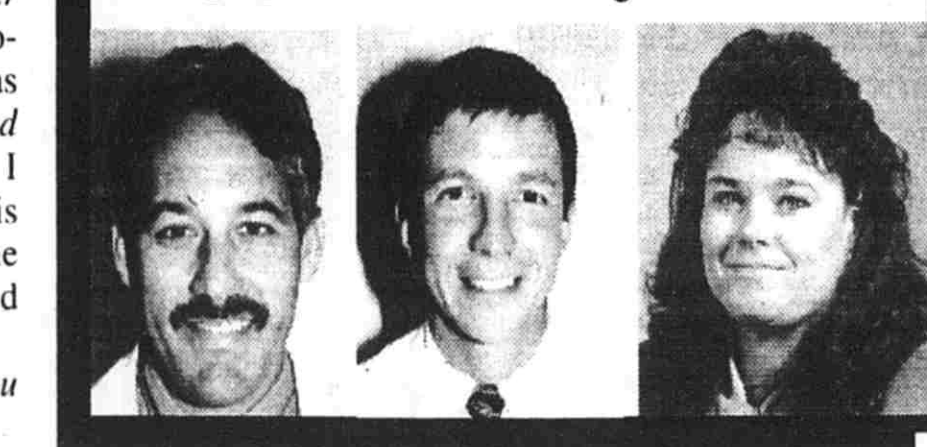


When I am asked for my favorite books on writing, instinctively I call out Gabriele Rico's book, *Writing the Natural Way*, (Using Right-Brain Techniques to Release Your Expressive Powers). This was one of my first exciting introductions to writing and a new word to me, clustering. That was 13 years ago. In 1991, she came out with the book, *Pain and Possibility* (Writing Your Way through Personal Crisis). I have sat in two weekend writing seminars with her and this woman was explosive with the joy of writing and in sharing the right brain technique. I hope I never forget her warmth and dedication and her way with an audience.  
Another book I call a favorite is Brenda Ueland's, *If You Want To Write*.

In the front page of the book, I wrote a quote from Reader's Digest that summed up this extraordinary little book. It said: "A well-composed book is a magic carpet on which we are wafled to a world that we cannot enter in any other way." It is a strange thing, but when you find favorite authors and read most of their works off and on for years, they become a part of your life, even when you don't think about them. Once a year, I pull this book from my library shelf and visit with Brenda over a cup of tea. I often make a couple of phone calls and invite some friends over to talk about what she has written.

This past year one of the most influential writers that has made an impact on my heart and mind is Julia Cameron. Last year, someone called me and read a few pages of her book, *The*

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



**RHUS DERMATITIS**  
Rhus dermatitis is an acute or chronic inflammation of the skin caused from contact with poison ivy, poison sumac or poison oak plants. All parts of the plant contain a potent oleoresin (or resin) called urushiol. Irritation of the skin occurs from contact with the leaf or internal parts of the stems or roots and can occur at any time of the year including winter and fall.

The severity of the dermatitis depends upon the quantity of resin in contact with the skin. Smaller quantities of resin produce only redness, whereas large quantities cause redness and blistering. Exposure to the resin can be obtained from

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# AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

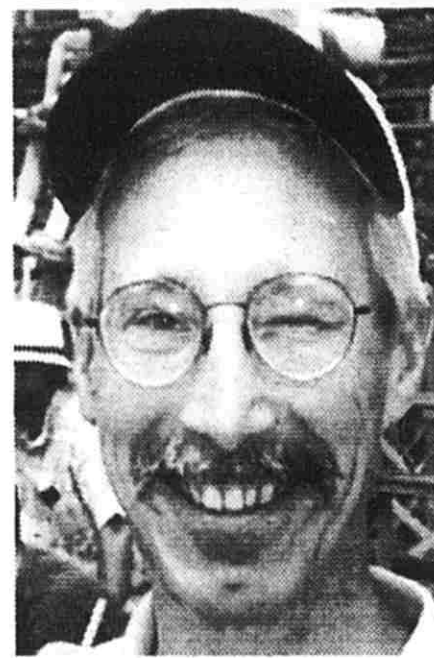


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# TOWN TALK

With graduation upon us, what words of advice/wisdom would you share with the 1999 graduates?



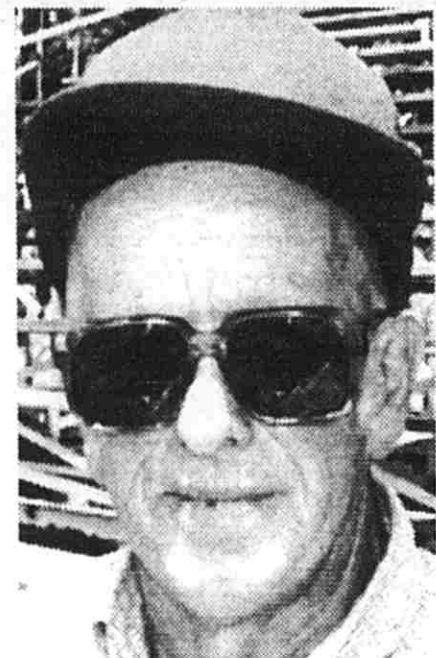
**Jim Ennis**  
Follow the money. On a serious note, be patient; it will make sense later.



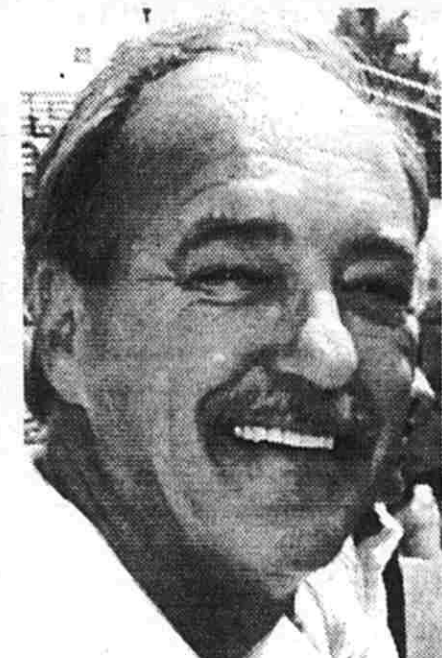
**Donna Smit**  
Keep a positive attitude, don't ever give up. It's all there... just reach out and get it.



**Bob Rice**  
Enjoy life. Take it a day at a time.



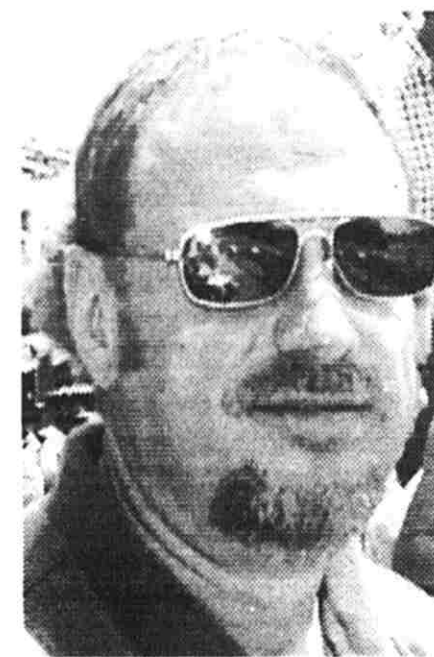
**Gerald Dykstra**  
Be yourself. Enjoy life to its fullest... and stay out of trouble.



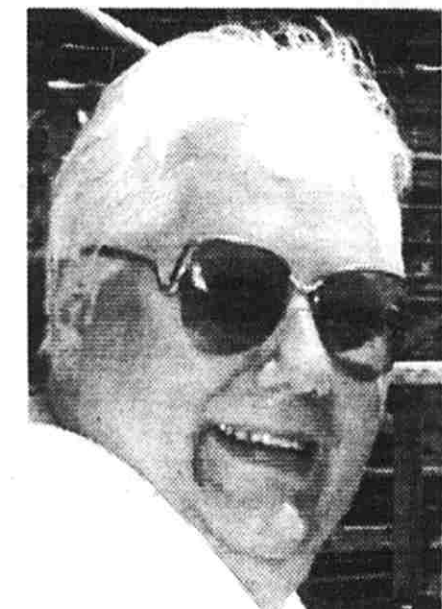
**Pete Madau**  
What goes around comes around. What you get out of life is what you give.



**Lynn Warning**  
I live 5,000 miles (Hawaii) from Lowell. Don't forget where you're from.



**Glenn LeSage**  
Life is just beginning. Everything up to this point has just been preparation. Your college friends will be your friends for life.



**Darlene Reed**  
Be patient. Don't want everything today, it will come tomorrow if you'll wait.

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contaminated animal hair (dog or cat), or from clothing or from smoke while burning the plant.

The outbreak of redness or blisters may appear as quickly as eight hours after contact or be delayed for a week or more. New blisters can occur a week later after the initial exposure. Blister fluid does not contain the resin and contrary to popular belief, cannot spread the inflammation.

Washing the skin with soap and water removes the surface resin, preventing further contamination. Washing is most effective if done within 15 minutes of exposure. If blistering occurs, use cold wet compresses for 15 to 30 minutes several times a day for 1-3 days until itching and severe blistering is controlled. Oral steroids or a shot of steroid may be needed if inflammation is severe. Short, cool tub Aveeno oatmeal baths are very soothing and help to control widespread inflammation. Calamine lotion controls itching, but prolonged use may cause excessive drying. Benadryl can help to control the itch and encourage a good night's sleep. The best treatment of Rhus dermatitis is avoidance with the plants.

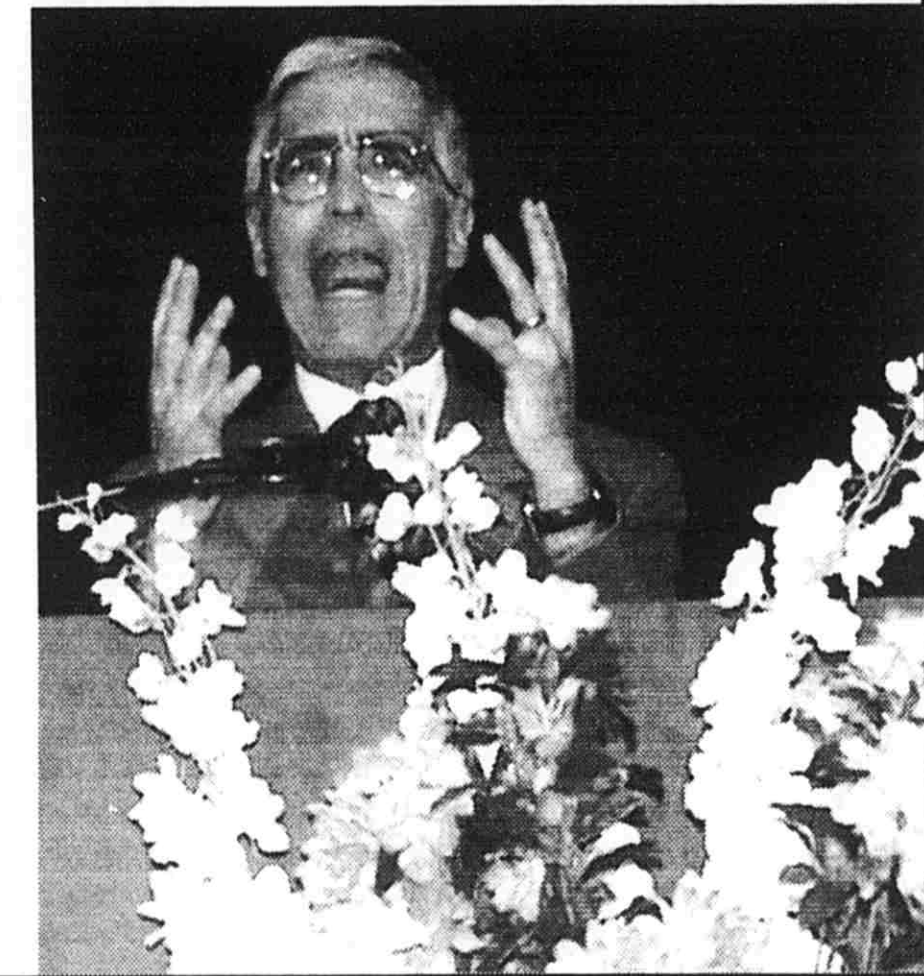
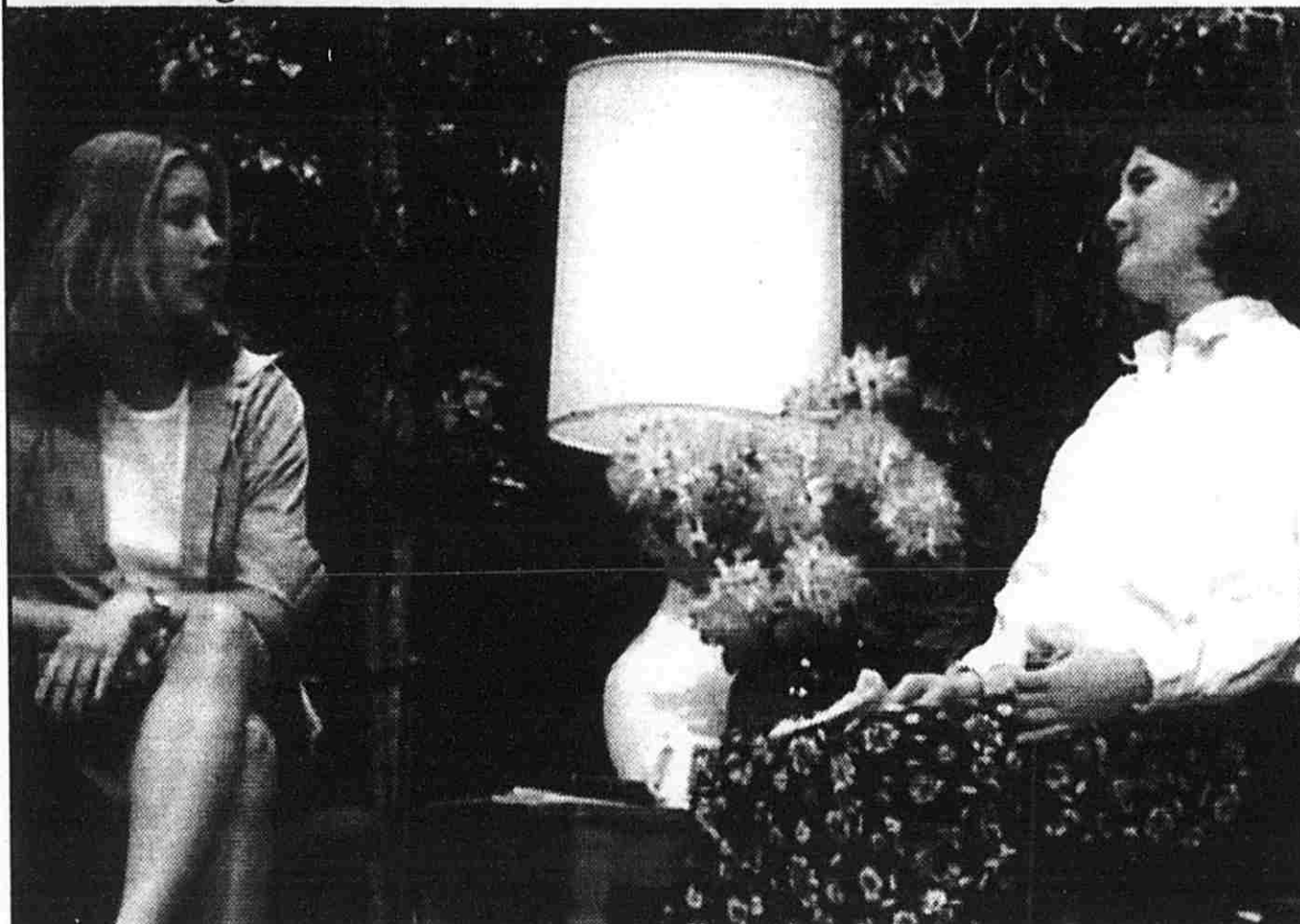
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# Setting The Example

With the theme of "Set the Example," graduates attending the Baccalaureate were reminded of the integrity and strength of character needed from them. They were encouraged to be leaders, setting the example of responsibility, respect, integrity, compassion and honesty.

Pictured to the left are Laura Befus (left) and Kim Meiste as they acted out the mini play entitled "One Small Spot." Meiste also performed the song "We can Make a Difference." Music was provided by Curt Hines and the Worship and Praise Band. Roger LaWarre, pastor of the

Lowell First Congregational Church, right, delivered the Baccalaureate address.



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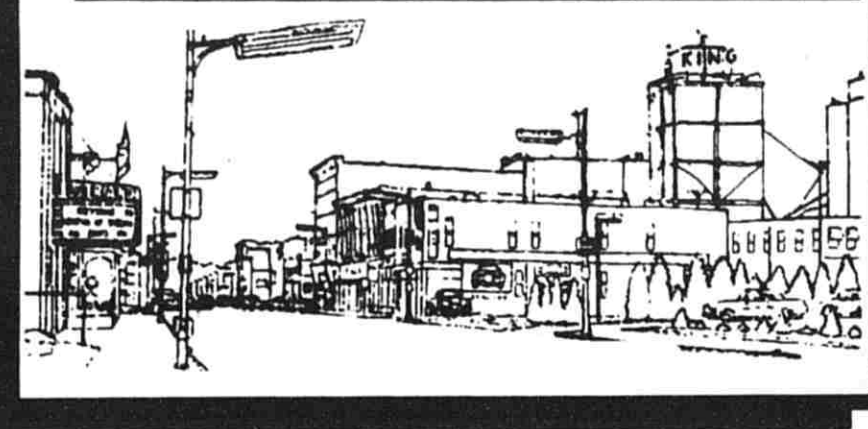
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## Along Main Street



Lowell artist Bill Ingraham, was submitted to the Grand Rapids Art Museum for consideration as program covers for the White Caps games.

This exhibit runs through July 3. Gallery hours are Tuesday - Friday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. and closed holiday weekends.

### COMMUNITY AT THE WHITECAPS

Lowell Community Day at the West Michigan Whitecaps will be held on Sun., June 27 at 2 p.m. Get your tickets early, \$6 per person.

### WORKSHOPS - CITYSCAPES & WOODCARVING

The Lowell Area Arts Council will hold a cityscapes and woodcarving workshop this summer.

For complete information and to enroll, call the Arts Center at 897-8545. Mastercard/Visa welcome.

### KINDERGARTEN MUSICAL ON LCTV

The Bushnell kindergarten musical will be shown on Lowell Cable TV on the following dates: Wed., June 9 at noon; Thurs., June 10 at 2 p.m.; Fri., June 11 at 5 p.m.; and Sat., June 12 at 10 a.m.

### LASSO TRYOUTS

LASSO (Lowell Area Select Soccer Organization) will be holding soccer tryouts for the fall 1999 season on Saturday, June 19 at Creekside Park. All interested players must bring sneakers, shin guards and soccer ball. Tryout times are: boys ages 8-11 at 9 a.m. and ages 12 & 13 at noon; girls ages 8-13 3 p.m.

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to tryout time to register. For more information call Lou D'Agostino at 897-6816.

### LAHA HERITAGE CELEBRATION DAY

The Lowell Area Historical Association is hosting a Lowell Heritage Celebration Day to commemorate its 10-year anniversary on Saturday, June 26 from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Join us for a day of fun and entertainment including: historic bus and walking tours, exhibits, costume contest, showboat tours and more.

Festivities to take place at the Riverwalk/Showboat Plaza. In case of rain, it will be moved to Riverside School.

### PLAY BALL

On view in the Lowell Arts Council Center is an exhibit entitled *Cover the Bases*. The work by 15 area artists, including

## LL&P linemen undergo safety training exercises

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Routine safety training and the latest in technique and development were part of a morning training session for Lowell Light and Power and Lowell Cable linemen.

The morning training session was conducted by Michigan Electric Cooperative Association (MECA).

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

The race will begin at the Lowell Middle School. Runners will follow Foreman Road west to Alden Nash; south on Alden Nash to Gee Drive; and east on Gee Drive back to Foreman where they will finish the race at the Lowell Middle School.

The top overall male and female runners will receive trophies. Medals will be given out to the top three runners/walkers in each age group.

The safety training taught and rehearsed employees on how to handle a situation in the event that a lineman is injured or incapacitated while working on a pole or in a truck bucket.

"They not only saw and rehearsed but practiced the proper technique on how to rescue a lineman from a pole or out of a truck bucket," said

Lowell Cable Television manager of marketing and programming, Tom Richards.

Lowell Light and Power is required to hold one safety meeting a month. "Until they become journey linemen, formal training is necessary," said Lowell Light and Power

Lowell Cable Television general manager, Ron Holcomb.

A 185-pound properly proportioned and weighted dummy played the role of the injured or incapacitated lineman during the morning training session.



Lowell Light and Power lineman Jeff Altoft rescues this lineman (dummy) from the electric pole.

Call Liz Baker at 897-9161. Sponsored by Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce.

### LOWELL CABLE TV INTERRUPTIONS JUNE 10

On the morning of June 10, two areas will experience brief interruptions of cable service as Lowell Cable TV connects new distribution equipment for improved service.

At approx. 5 a.m. all Lowell Cable customers west of Valley Vista will experience a brief interruption. At approx. 11 a.m., customers north and east of the intersection of Foreman and Cumberland will have a brief interruption.

The interruptions should last 30 minutes or less.

# CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL

For the Regular Meeting of MONDAY, MAY 17, 1999. The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Thompson and the Clerk called the Roll.

Present: Councilmembers Blough, Green, Myers, Shores and Mayor Thompson.  
Absent: None.  
Also Present: City Manager David Pasquale, Deputy Clerk Betty Morlock, Public Works Director Daniel DesJarden, Police Chief James Valentine, City Treasurer Suzanne Olin and Assistant Finance Director/Investment Officer Charlene McNab.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN that the regular meeting of the May 3, 1999 meeting be approved as written.

YEA: 5.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

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

YEA: 5.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

### BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (05/17/99)

GENERAL FUND	\$75,682.71
MAJOR STREET FUND	202.76
LOCAL STREET FUND	172.76
DDA FUND	97.00
AIRPORT FUND	53.90
WASTEWATER FUND	31,460.39
WATER FUND	8,703.04
DATA PROCESSING FUND	2,458.30
EQUIPMENT FUND	846.54

**Item #1. 1999 - 2000 BUDGET PRESENTATION AND PUBLIC HEARING.** As the first of two public hearings on the budget, City Manager Pasquale highlighted the main components of the proposed 1999-2000 budget.

**A. The General Fund:** The budget had planned expenditures (including transfers to Other Funds) of \$2,115,235. The same millage rate of 13.85 as in the last five years was proposed. A fund balance of \$305,450 had been shown.

#### The General Fund includes:

Council	\$22,950.00
Manager	87,625.00
Elections	7,890.00
Assessor	35,530.00
Attorney	25,000.00
General Office	129,035.00
Treasurer	160,655.00
Planning Comm.	3,400.00
Police	746,955.00

The Police Department has proposed to refurbish two vehicles. No purchase of cruisers was proposed for the budget.

Fire	\$ 156,950.00
Ambulance	3,000.00
City Hall	31,150.00
Cemetery	86,040.00
Eng/Bldg. Inspection	13,100.00
Dept. of Public Works	194,025.00

The Department of Public Works is considering a second roof for the NAPA Building (113 Lafayette). This will include engineering and architectural work (\$33,300). Pasquale stated the roof over the office area has been finished. Another roof extending over the storage area needs to be repaired before the building can be occupied.

Sidewalks	\$ 18,675.00
The Sidewalk budget includes money set aside for maintenance and a sidewalk master plan.	
Refuse	\$85,000.00
Parks	123,115.00
Library	49,600.00

The Library is offset by a \$7,741 contribution by the Kent District Library.

Historic District Comm.	\$2,800.00
Lowell Area Historical Assoc.	10,100.00
Senior Neighbors	1,500.00
Chamber of Commerce	3,000.00
Unallocated	71,000.00

**B. Building Authority.** The City is entering into the fourth year of a ten year Building Authority bond for the Library. The bond payments are \$126,635 for the fiscal year. Contributions will be provided from the Look Memorial Fund (\$40,000) and the Lowell Area Community Fund (\$40,000). The General Fund will allocate \$47,000 to cover the remaining balance and miscellaneous expenses.

A second Building Authority bond is anticipated for the City Hall - Police Station project. The first of two issues totalling \$4,000,000 for acquisition costs will be sold in September, 1999. The first payment (for interest) is scheduled for July, 2000. Thus, no funds are required for the upcoming fiscal year.

### C. Water and Wastewater Funds.

The following water rates have been proposed: \$1.68 per thousand gallons per month (from \$1.58) commodity charge \$ 17.75 per month (from \$ 17.50) readiness to serve No rate increases in the Wastewater Fund have been proposed.

**D. Lee Fund.** Pasquale noted any capital improvements in parks are provided strictly through the Lee Fund. Thus, there are no General Fund expenditures proposed for park improvements.

An additional pavilion will be installed at Stoney Lakeside Park (\$6,000). Also, the following items have been included:

New sinks at Creekside Park	\$2,500.00
Buoys for Stoney Lake	1,023.00
Hand dryers for Creekside and Stoney Lakeside Parks	4,500.00
Paving for Skateboard Park	4,400.00

Councilmember Myers questioned if other individual funds were combined together. Pasquale responded the Frank Carr Fund is established as a separate fund for library activity.

Councilmember Blough asked when the last increase on water rates occurred. Pasquale responded two years ago. He stated a history of the rate increases would be provided at the next meeting.

Blough questioned why the increase was being proposed. City Treasurer Suzanne Olin stated a new water main will be installed on South Hudson along with improvements to the Water Treatment Plant account for the needed increase.

Mayor Thompson questioned if the increase would affect Lowell Township's water rates. Pasquale responded Lowell Township's calculations are separate from the City's. The auditors are currently figuring the new rate for Lowell Township.

Blough requested additional information on the Police and Public Safety item of the budget. He questioned what the largest expenses were in the budget. Police Chief Valentine responded personnel is the most significant expense, noting the Police Department is labor intensive. He mentioned the increase in the MERS retirement contributions and an additional pay period during the coming fiscal year.

Blough asked how many labor hours had been budgeted. Valentine responded part time officers were estimated at \$25,000. He noted there is also a permanent part time officer scheduled for 32 hours a week along with the full time staff.

Pasquale noted labor cost represent 84% of the Police budget, while being 35% of the General Fund.

Blough questioned the proposed Skateboard Park. He asked if other communities had been asked about their experiences with such a park. Councilmember Green responded the Parks and Recreation Commission has been questioning other communities. The Commission believed there was a need for such a park and decided Stoney Lakeside Park would be a suitable location for a temporary park and possibly a permanent one. Green noted the Commission felt the additional parking area at Creekside Park could be delayed because of higher priorities. He noted two additional areas would be paved in the future for parking.

Blough questioned the \$4,000 proposed in the budget for engineering studies. He asked if City Staff would be able to handle the studies and provide recommendations on sidewalks to the Council. Pasquale responded the staff has been involved with sidewalk installation and improvements for a number of years. However, there are advantages to utilizing a consultant.

Mayor Thompson stated hiring consultants may be an advantage to the City because of the familiarity with requirements which must be met.

Pasquale would provide information to the Council on similar studies at the next meeting.

Mayor Thompson stated problems may arise in the residential areas. He believed hiring a consultant could act as a third party and determine what would be best for the situation.

Pasquale added other communities established a citizen committee to receive input. Green felt citizen involvement was very important.

Pasquale noted responses would be given to each of the questions raised and a second public hearing would be held on June 7, 1999.

Councilmember Myers asked if index pages could be included in the budget. He also noted there were pages in the budget which were not numbered. Olin stated she did not place numbers on each page because there would be many changes made to the document. No further action was taken.

**Item #2. REQUEST TO VACATE HILL STREET - PUBLIC HEARING.** Rance Bennett requested the vacation of Hill Street from North Jefferson east. Hill is a "paper street" and only provides a 66 foot right of way up a difficult terrain. In reviewing the petition, the Department of Public Works expressed no objection to the vacation, noting no utilities were present.

Mayor Thompson questioned who owned Lot 109 on Hill Street. Floyd Ritzema, owner of Lots 108, 110 and part of 107, believed the owner of Lot 109 was Laura Shepard. Thompson stated the property in question appeared to be parkland. He noted if it was parkland, the property could not be vacated.

Ritzema asked who requested the vacation. City Manager Pasquale responded Rance Bennett. Thompson stated Bennett purchased Lot 103 and wished to build a house. He wanted to continue his property further south.

Councilmember Green mentioned part of Hill Street was already vacated. He stated Lot 105 is connected to the south. Thompson stated part of the property would be needed for a future reservoir.

Pasquale said the area is a separate subdivision from the property immediately south. He noted if the vacation of the property were to take place, surrounding property owners would have to be verified.

Thompson stated every connecting property owner would be provided part of the vacated property. He added most of the time when a property is vacated, there is no real value. Thompson stated this parcel is 66 feet wide and 367 feet deep with other houses being built in the area.

Thompson asked if the property could be buildable. Ritzema did not think the ground would be able to hold a house. He stated there is approximately ten feet of sand and would not be able to obtain a passed perk test.

Ritzema stated he was not opposed to vacating the area, but believed it should start at the top where the property is 66 feet wide. He mentioned Consumers Power has an easement on the property.

Pasquale stated notices were sent to all property owners within 300 feet. He mentioned more information could be given at the next meeting.

Pasquale said the Council needs to consider the 66 foot right of way from Lot 108 to Jefferson Street. The Council would also have to decide how the property would be divided, if the vacation was chosen.

The Council decided to table the vacation of Hill Street until the June 7, 1999 meeting.

**Item #3. POLICE LABOR CONTRACT - WAGE RE-OPENER.** Last year, the City and the Police Officers Association agreed to a three year contract with wage openers for 1999-2000 as well as the following contract year. Through negotiations with the Lowell Police Officers Association, a 3.5% increase was agreed upon with the Administration and the Association. This is the same increase which was approved last year.

The officers also expressed their concerns involving litigation in the line of duty. Pasquale stated the City has provided the officers with information on the legal representation which would be provided to them. After discussion, the officers felt comfortable with the representation and stated their desire to eliminate from discussion. Councilmember Myers questioned if a 3 or a 3 1/2 percent wage increase was approved for the rest of the City Staff. Pasquale responded three percent was approved along with a merit increase. There was discussion concerning merit increases for the police officers, but the Association preferred a flat pay increase. Pasquale mentioned evaluations are completed on each officer. However, it does not affect their salary structure.

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# CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to approve the 3.5% wage increase for the Police Officer (at each pay step) and the Sergeant positions, amending the labor contract with the Lowell Police Officers Association for the fiscal year 1999-2000.  
YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item #4. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**  
**A. 745 FOREMAN - ROBERT RITTENGER - HEIGHT VARIANCE FOR PROPOSED MOTOR HOME PORT - SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE (6/7).** Robert Rittenger has proposed to construct a 16 foot 4 inch high motor home port for his residence located at 745 Foreman. Under Section 4.08H of the Zoning Ordinance, no detached accessory building in a residential district shall exceed fourteen feet in height. Since Rittenger's proposed motor home port is 28 inches higher than the maximum, a variance is requested.

The Planning Commission will provide a recommendation to the Council at its May 24, 1999 meeting. The ZBA is requested to establish a public hearing for its June 7, 1999 meeting.

Rittenger stated he must have a minimum of a 13 foot side wall to allow for clearance of his motor home. He asked if there was an ordinance on distances between buildings. Pasquale responded there must be at least 10 feet between a main structure and an accessory building. Rittenger questioned if two accessory buildings must be a certain distance apart from one another. Pasquale was unsure, but would check in the ordinance.

Boardmember Green asked how many buildings were located on the property. Rittenger responded there was a two story barn (18' X 44' X 24') and his house. Green noted the ordinance allows no more than two accessory buildings on a parcel. Boardmember Thompson stated a site plan review should be completed. He stated the 10 foot maximum height requirement was established for fire safety reasons. Pasquale requested a sketch of the property indicating where the structures were proposed.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by GREEN to set a public hearing date for June 7, 1999 to consider a height variance for a motor home port petitioned by Robert Rittenger at 745 Foreman.  
YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**B. 126 N. HUDSON - JIM AND KATHY MAATMAN - DISTANCE VARIANCE BETWEEN PROPOSED GARAGE AND HOUSE - SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE (6/7).** Jim and Kathy Maatman wish to construct a garage on their property at 126 N. Hudson. Because of the location of existing buildings on the lot, three feet between the house and the attached proposed accessory building to the existing work shop is provided where ten feet is required under Section 4.08 F.1. of the Zoning Ordinance.

The Planning Commission would provide a recommendation to the Council at its May 24, 1999 meeting. A public hearing should be established for the June 7, 1999 meeting.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by THOMPSON to set a public hearing for June 7, 1999 concerning a distance variance involving a proposed garage for 126 N. Hudson submitted by Jim and Kathy Maatman. Boardmember Blough abstained from voting due to his relationship with the builder of the project.  
YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSTAIN: 1. (Blough)  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item #4. SECOND ROOF AT 113 LAFAYETTE - ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING SERVICES.** Last year, a new roof was installed over the southern portion of the city owned building at 113 Lafayette (old NAPA building). The remaining roof over the storage area has been significantly damaged. In order to use the office area, a second roof must be installed. Dan Durkee of Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and Huber who had previously provided the architectural/engineering services for the first roof, submitted a cost of \$6,000 for this phase. This includes some structural services. Pasquale recommended the contract be entered into so that the building can be used.

Mayor Thompson questioned if Overbeck Construction

would be able to handle the construction. Pasquale responded bids would then need to be sought. Blough noted that the \$200 for reimbursable expenses was part of the services, not added to the contract. Therefore, the cost was \$5,800, not \$6,000.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to authorize the architectural engineering services through Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and Huber for the construction of a second roof at 113 Lafayette, not to exceed \$5,800.  
YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item #5. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION TO JOIN THE RECREATIONAL DISTRICT.** A joint meeting was held on March 11, 1999 with representatives from the School District and Lowell and Vergennes Township concerning a proposed recreational district. A community swimming pool has been discussed at length. Through these discussions, the possibility of a joint venture was reviewed concerning other parks and recreational activities.

Pasquale firmly believed if a swimming pool were to be constructed, it must be conducted under a joint authority. Also, the cost of the pool would be determined by the citizens of Lowell with a vote.

Pasquale mentioned the school district had already approved the project and the townships would be reviewing the project shortly. He noted all entities must approve this before further steps can be taken.

City Attorney Richard Wendt has reviewed the agreement with only minor comments made. Mayor Thompson questioned if the discussions were mainly for the pool, with the possibility of expanding the parks for additional ball fields. Pasquale responded yes. Thompson believed other communities should maintain its ball fields as well as City of Lowell has.

Councilmember Myers stated a committee has been working together for approximately two years. He believed this was another way to tie the townships, City and schools together.

Myers indicated it made economic sense to spread the project expenses throughout the entire school district.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by BLOUGH to adopt the resolution to join the recreational district in approving the establishment of the organization. Councilmember Green stated it was important to be aware of Wendt's concerns and these must be addressed.  
YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item #6. MONTHLY REPORTS.** No comments were received.

**Item #7. CITIZEN COMMENTS.** No comments were received.

**Item #8. COUNCIL COMMENTS.** Councilmember Shores stated the Mayor Exchange Day in Ionia was very interesting and thanked them for hosting the City of Lowell. Councilmember Green thanked the City of Ionia for their hospitality and stated he had a great time. He mentioned it was encouraging to travel to other communities and receive new ideas. He also noted it was encouraging to see their facilities and compare these with ours. Councilmember Myers also enjoyed the day.

Myers received a comment from a resident in the Valley Vista area concerning the conditions of the roads in the area. Myers stated the traffic has been increased on Sibley, due to the road construction on M-21. He questioned if there were plans to repair the streets throughout the neighborhood rather than just filling the potholes. Pasquale agreed that Sibley and Valley Vista were in very bad condition. He stated these streets are considered local streets under Act 51 (State shared transportation revenues). Therefore, there are limited amounts of funds available for upgrading these streets. Pasquale noted the roads were not constructed well initially and should be completely reconstructed with proper drainage.

Councilmember Blough also thanked the City of Ionia. Mayor Thompson stated he had a great time with Ionia. He noted much information was shared. Thompson mentioned the City officials were able to visit the correc-

tional facilities in Ionia. He stated the surrounding communities are very dependent on cities such as Ionia. Mayor Thompson said the City of Ionia will be visiting the City of Lowell on Thursday, May 20, 1999.

**ITEM #9. MANAGER'S REPORT.** Public Works Director Dan DesJarden stated a water main break was discovered at the crossing of the Flat River. He said a new main would be installed by May 18, 1999. DesJarden stated more information on the water main would be provided at the next meeting.

Mayor Thompson asked what DesJarden meant when he said the water main was crossing the river. DesJarden responded the pipe is lying on the bottom of the river and crosses the river at North Street.

Thompson asked if the residents have been updated on the situation. DesJarden responded Water Distribution Supervisor Bob Robinson visited every house that was affected.

Pasquale reported on the following:  
1. The following meetings minutes were submitted for review:  
• Downtown Development Authority meeting of April 22, 1999  
• Parks and Recreation Commission meeting of April 17, 1999  
• Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce meeting of April 14, 1999

At its May 13, 1999 meeting, the DDA decided to initiate proceedings for the issuance of a 1.3 million dollar bond. The projects included were:

- EXTENSION OF RIVERWALK TO AMPHITHEATER (including sheet piling)
- KING MILLING PARKING LOT improvements
- MONROE - AVERY PARKING LOT improvements
- CITY HALL - POLICE STATION PROJECTS - site improvements: parking lots lighting, landscaping, walkways, signage and flag poles
- Purchase, Renovation, Resale OF DOWNTOWN BUILDINGS and property loan programs
- Extension of street lighting west to CITY LIMITS with UNDERGROUND SERVICE IN COOPERATION WITH LOWELL LIGHT AND POWER
- SIDEWALKS - WEST MAIN COMPLETION AND WHERE NEEDED IN DISTRICT

2. The Kent County Road Commission will repave North Hudson Street from Chatham to Lincoln Lake. The work will take approximately two days. It is anticipated the project will take place in June. Pasquale stated there would also be some milling completed on the outside edges of the road. The Road Commission would undertake the entire cost of the project.

3. The City offices will be closed on Monday, May 31 in observance of Memorial Day.

**Item #10. APPOINTMENTS.** Mayor Thompson stated the following vacancies need to be filled:  
• Airport Board  
• Historic District Commission  
• Downtown Development Authority  
Mayor Thompson encouraged the public to serve on one of the above boards.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by GREEN to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. to closed session pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Act involving property acquisition.

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

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to return into open session at 9:12 p.m.  
IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by BLOUGH to purchase the Rogers property located at 318 Avery Street for \$130,000 involving the City Hall - Police Station project with the City being reimbursed after a bond issue subject to possession by October 1, 1999 contingent upon availability of Schneider Manor apartment for Mel Rogers, pro rating of property taxes and City to pay all closing costs.  
YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 9:14 p.m.

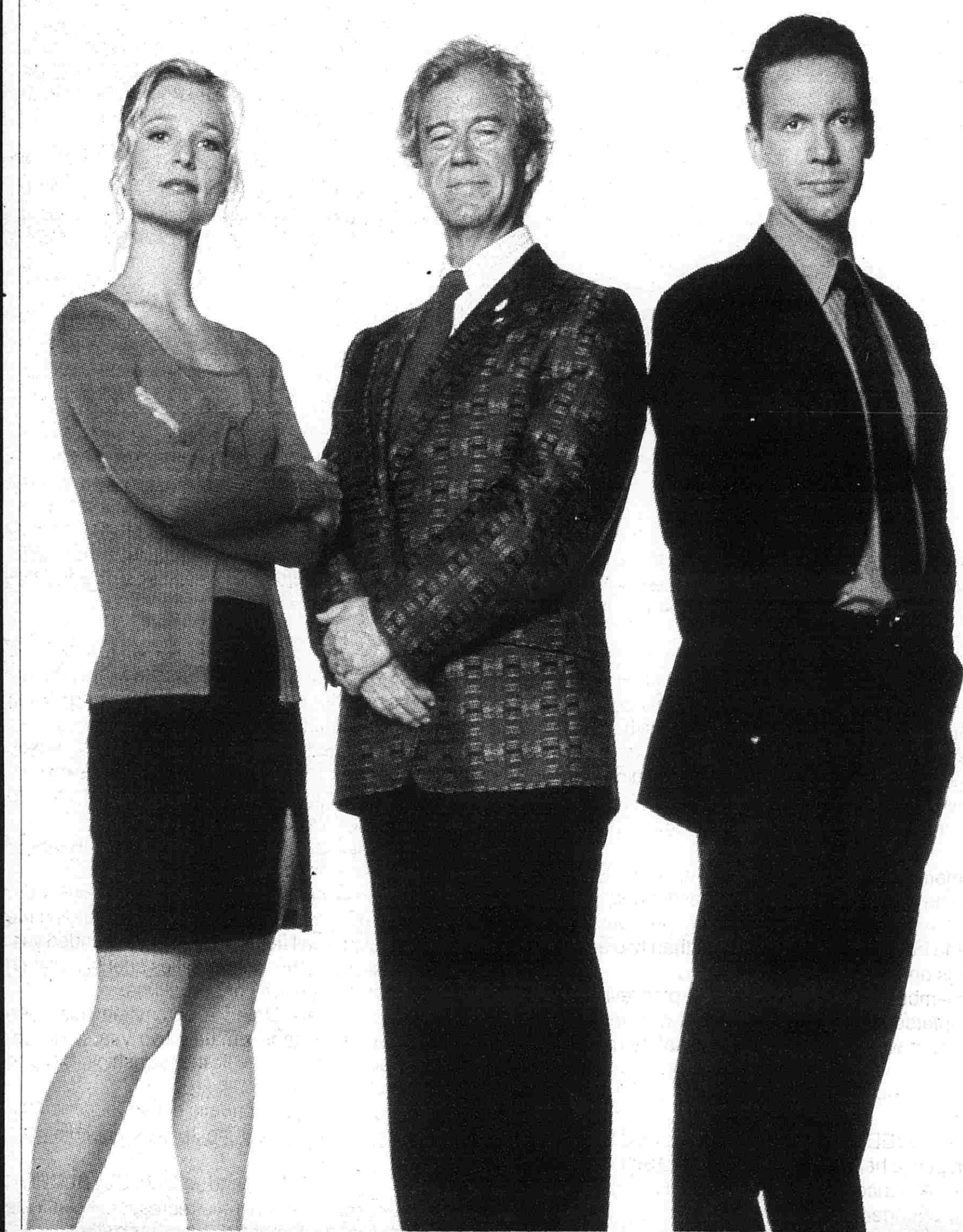
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12	WKAR-23
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17	THE MOVIE CHANNEL
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SPORT HIGHLIGHTS

SOCCER

WOTV Sun. 1 p.m.; WZZM Sun. 1 p.m. Soccer Argentina at United States. From Washington, D.C. (Live) [E]

SOFTBALL

TNN Thu. 10 p.m. City of Hope Celebrity Challenge Kenny Rogers leads country artists and celebrities in a benefit softball game. From Greer Stadium, Nashville, Tenn. (Taped) [E]

BASEBALL

WGN Fri. 3:10 p.m. Major League Baseball Chicago White Sox at Chicago Cubs. From Wrigley Field. (Live) [E]
ESPN Fri. 3:30 p.m. College Baseball NCAA World Series -- Teams to Be Announced. From Omaha, Neb. (Live) [E]
ESPN Fri. 7:30 p.m. College Baseball NCAA World Series -- Teams to Be Announced. From Omaha, Neb. (Live) [E]

HOCKEY

ESPN Sat. 8 p.m. Stanley Cup Playoffs Finals Game 3 -- Buffalo Sabres or Toronto Maple Leafs vs. Colorado Avalanche or Dallas Stars. (Live) [E]
ESPN Tue. 8 p.m. Stanley Cup Playoffs Finals Game 4 -- Buffalo Sabres or Toronto Maple Leafs vs. Colorado Avalanche or Dallas Stars. (Live) [E]
WXMI Thu. 8 p.m.; WSYM Thu. 8 p.m. Stanley Cup Playoffs Finals Game 5 -- Buffalo Sabres or Toronto Maple Leafs vs. Colorado Avalanche or Dallas Stars. If necessary. (Live) [E]

EQUESTRIAN

ESPN Sat. 4 p.m. Equestrian Grand Prix of Devon. From Devon, Pa. (Taped) [E]

GOLF

ESPN Fri. 11:30 a.m. LPGA Golf Rochester International -- Second Round. From Locust Hill Country Club in Pittsford, N.Y. (Live) [E]
ESPN Fri. 1:30 p.m. PGA Golf St. Jude Classic -- Second Round. From Tournament Players Club at Southwind in Memphis, Tenn. (Live) [E]
WOOD Sat. 2 p.m.; WILX Sat. 2 p.m. Senior PGA Golf BellSouth Senior Classic at Opryland -- Second Round. From Springhouse Golf Club in Nashville, Tenn. (Live) [E]
WOTV Sat. 4 p.m.; WZZM Sat. 4 p.m. PGA Golf St. Jude Classic -- Third Round. From Tournament Players Club at Southwind in Memphis, Tenn. (Live) [E]

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SUNDAY AFTERNOON JUNE 13, 1999. Broadcast Channels: WWMT, WOV, WGVU, WXMI, WOOD, WLNS, WILX, WTLJ, WKAR, WZZM, WSYM, WZPX.

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TUESDAY EVENING JUNE 15, 1999. Broadcast Channels: Wheel of Fortune, Jeopardy!, AF1's 100 Years... 100 Stars A list of the 50 greatest screen legends will be revealed by 50 of today's stars. Cable Channels: M\*A\*S\*H, The Longjohn Flap, M\*A\*S\*H Major Fred C. Dobbs, NYPD Blue, Fire, X-Files, M\*A\*S\*H The Light That Failed, M\*A\*S\*H The Trial of Henry Blake, X Show.

PREMIUM CHANNELS. SHOW: (6:15) 'The Deli' (1997, Comedy) Mike Starr, Matt Keeler, Judith Malina. HBO: (6:30) 'The Saint' (1997, Adventure) Val Kilmer, Elisabeth Shue, Rade Serbedzic. TMC: (6:00) 'No Escape' (1994, Science Fiction) Ray Liotta, Lance Henriksen, Stuart Wilson.

WEDNESDAY EVENING JUNE 16, 1999. Broadcast Channels: Wheel of Fortune, Jeopardy!, Nanny 'The Dummy Wedding', Nanny 'Maggie's Wedding', 60 Minutes II. Cable Channels: M\*A\*S\*H 'Sticky Wicket', M\*A\*S\*H 'The Army-Navy Game', NYPD Blue, X-Files, M\*A\*S\*H 'The Grim Reaper', M\*A\*S\*H 'Carry on, Hawkeye', X Show.

PREMIUM CHANNELS. SHOW: (6:00) 'Four Play' (1978, Comedy) Chevy Chase, Goldie Hawn, Burgess Meredith. HBO: (6:45) 'Last Action Hero' (1993, Adventure) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Austin O'Brien, F. Murray Abraham. TMC: (6:30) 'Cherish the Board' (1998, Comedy) Carol Top, Courtney Thorne-Smith, Larry Miller.

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COMING EVENTS

Notices in The Ledger's "Coming Events" are free of charge to any non-profit organization in the Lowell, Ada, Alto, and Saranac area. EVERY 1ST MONDAY: V.F.W. Post 8303 meets at the V.F.W. Clubroom, 307 E. Main St. at 8 p.m. EVERY MON.: Boy Scout Troop 109, 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 Club at the end of North Washington Street. EVERY 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 MONDAY: Men's senior golf club at 9 a.m. at Arrowhead. Come join us. 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. EVERY SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: The Lowell Area Schools Board of Education meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Administration Building located in the former Runciman Elementary, 300 High Street. EVERY TUES.: Ladies Coffee Break Bible study. Freely 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.: Parents of children with AD/HD Issues Group meeting at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 32156 4 Mile NE (at 4 Mile and East Bellline) at 7 p.m. For info, call Linda at 874-5662. Forteen group info, call Sarah 281-6588. EVERY 1ST TUES: Adults with AD/HD Issues Group meeting at Calvin College Rm. 206 of the Commons bldg. For information call E. Main St. at 8 p.m. Connie 942-6887. WEDNESDAY: Rollaway Ltd. Senior Bowling, 1 p.m., 55 and over. 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For more information call 897-1502 evenings after 5 p.m. FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY: The Alto Lions Club meets at Darf'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. ENGLEHARDT LIBRARY HOURS: Mon. & Wed., 1-8 p.m.; Tues. & Fri., 1-5 p.m.; Thurs. & Sat., 10 a.m.-5 p.m. WOMEN OF THE MOOSE: Business meeting is held the third Monday of each month at 8 p.m. WED., JUNE 9: Snow United Methodist Church Fascinating Ways To Honor Thy Father enjoys jogging and biking because it has skip protection for uninterrupted music, even during bumps, jarring or vibration. A portable television with an AC/DC adapter for the car, a headphone jack and a special sunshield to protect the 5 inch screen from the sun. WEEKLY ACTIVITIES LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR 897-5949 MON.: 8:30 a.m., Walking, Woodland Mall. Noon, Monday Madness. TUES.: 8:30 a.m. Walking, Woodland Mall. 10:40 a.m., Exercise (1st UMC) WED.: 12:45 p.m. Shopping assistance. THURS: 9:00 a.m. Walk and shop - Woodland Mall; 9:30 a.m., Crafts; 1:00 p.m., Euchre. FRI.: 8:30 a.m. Walking-Woodland Mall. MON., JUNE 14: 7:30 a.m., Soaring Eagle. WED., JUNE 16: 9:30 a.m., Advisory Council. THURS., JUNE 17: 12:15 p.m., Dance, Westside. MON., JUNE 21: 12:30 p.m. Shopping Woodland Mall. 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. SUN., JUNE 13: First Congregational Church of Lowell, summer picnic service at Fallsburg Park at 10:30 a.m. SUN., JUNE 20: Summer hours at First Congregational Church begin at 9 a.m. Father's Day and Praise Band Service. JULY 19, 20, 21 & 22: Lowell Youth Cheerleading League camp at the high school, fee \$25. Registration forms should be turned into the athletic office. An additional \$20 for registration and sign up to join the league (even if you already signed up at the middle school or registered for camp). Any questions, call the athletic office at 897-4442. SUNDAY, JUNE 27: 2 p.m. Lowell Community day at the West Michigan Whitecaps. Get your tickets early. \$6 per person. Call Liz Baker at 897-9161. Sponsored by Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce. SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH: The Ada Historical Society meets at the Ada Township office at 7 p.m. THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH: Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) meets in individual homes for huddle meetings for fellowship and devotions. THURSDAYS: Weight Watchers meets in Lowell at the Lowell Congregational Church, 404 N. Hudson, at 7 p.m. Registration is a half hour before and after meetings. New members are invited to join at any time. Questions? Call 1-800-651-6000. FORTH 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. FRI., JUNE 11: 8:20 a.m., Men's mystery trip. TUES., JUNE 22: 12:30 p.m., Grand Rapids Art Museum. MON., JUNE 14: 7:30 a.m., Soaring Eagle. WED., JUNE 23: 6:15 p.m., Steel Magnolias - Civic Theatre. FRI., JUNE 25: 12:30 p.m. Ice cream social. WED., JUNE 30: 8 a.m. Women's breakfast. (Dinner reservations should be made 3 working days in advance)

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# Red Arrows rub out Comets, 3-0

••• Lowell's baseball team captured its first district championship in 10 years with a thrilling 3-0 shutout over Grand Ledge, the state's fourth ranked high school baseball team., according to the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association poll. The Red Arrows' next stop is the regional on Saturday against Saline. The game will be played at Grand Ledge, beginning at 12:30.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor



For one of the most highly touted high school baseball programs in the state, Saturday's appearance in the district at Lowell was more of a coronation than a competition.

Grand Ledge (32-4), ranked fourth in the state of Michigan, clearly had its sights set on achievements beyond the districts.

Therefore, the Comets' 3-0 loss to Lowell in the district title game was at least disheartening.

"It's very disappoint-

ing," said Grand Ledge coach Pat O'Keefe.

What the Comets had no way of knowing, following its 3-0 win over St. Johns and Lowell's 6-3 win over Greenville in the district semifinals, is what it would be facing in the title game.

Grand Ledge faced Lowell's left-handed ace Dustin Gless. "All he does is play baseball. He loves the game. Dustin has the heart of a lion," said Lowell baseball coach Tim Antel.

He's also a darn good pitcher. Gless has set school records for wins in a season

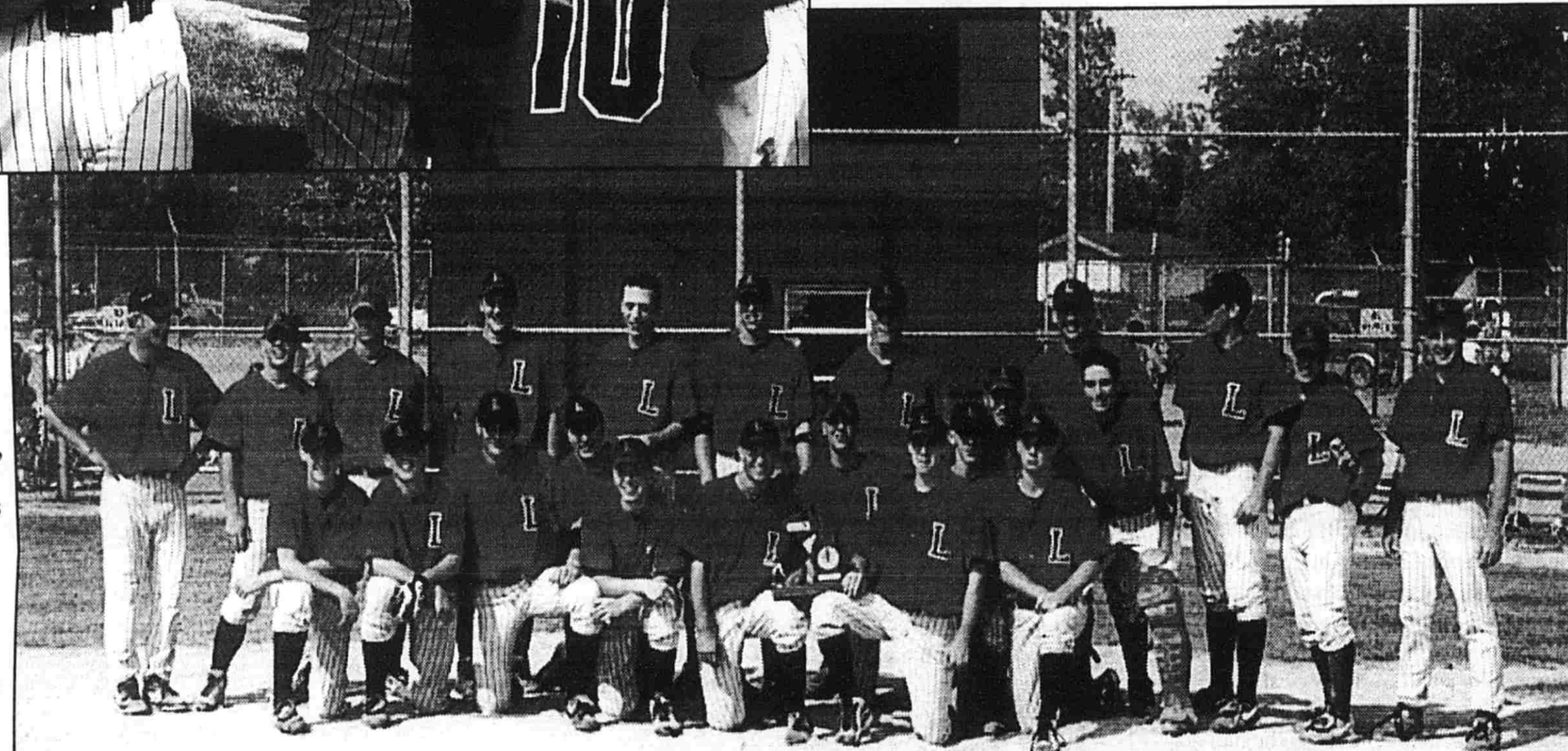
and for strikeouts. Saturday he added to both.

"Gless did a great job. He moves the ball around and gets a lot of strikeouts. He has composure and he is able to hit spots," O'Keefe said. "He's as good a pitcher as we've seen all season."

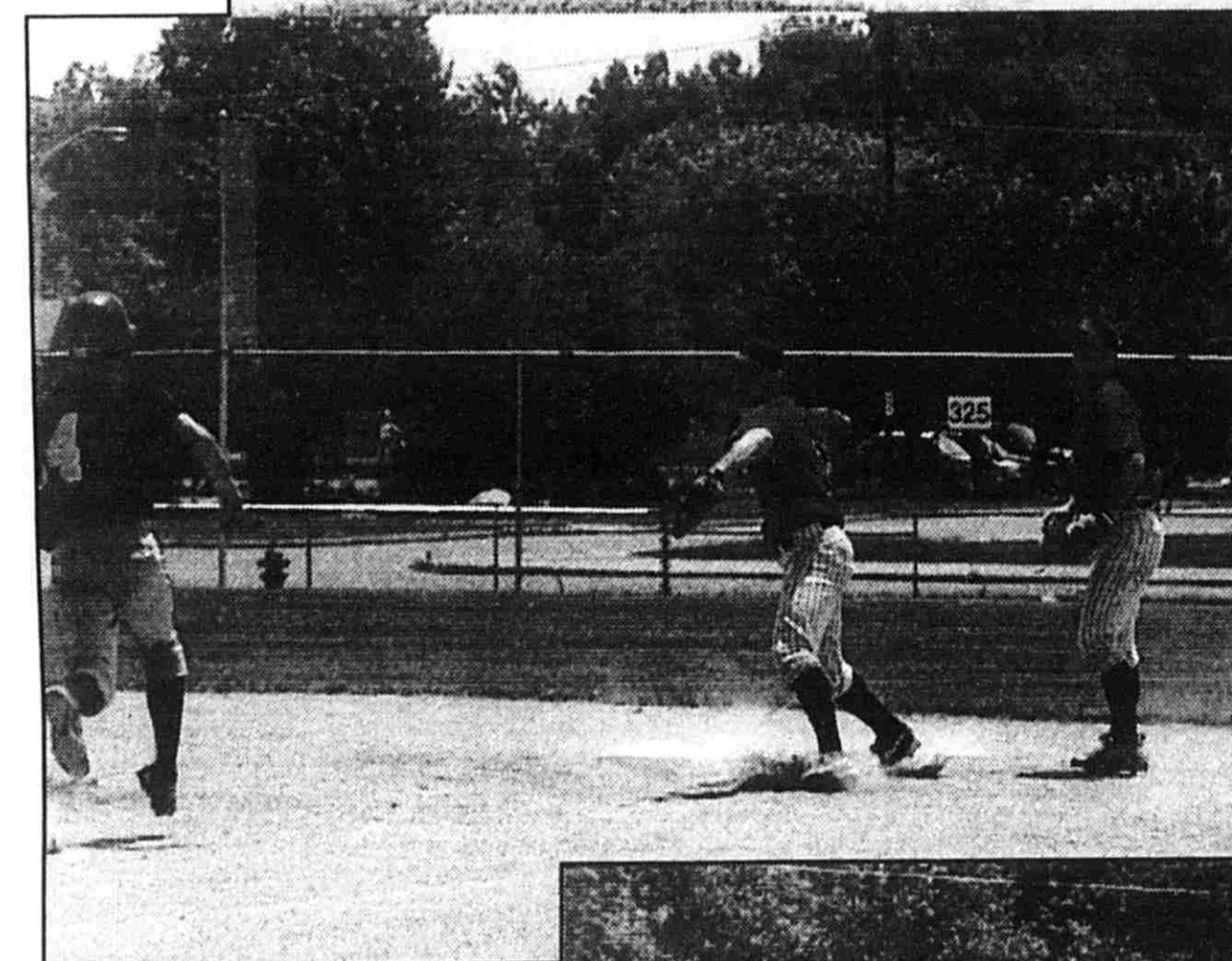
The Lowell senior, who has signed to play ball with Aquinas, shut out the Comets on three hits while walking one and striking out nine. "I knew in the first inning I had my good stuff because I was hitting the inside corners," Gless said. "They

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Lowell varsity baseball coach, Tim Antel, above, shared high 5's with his club following their district championship performance against Grand Ledge.



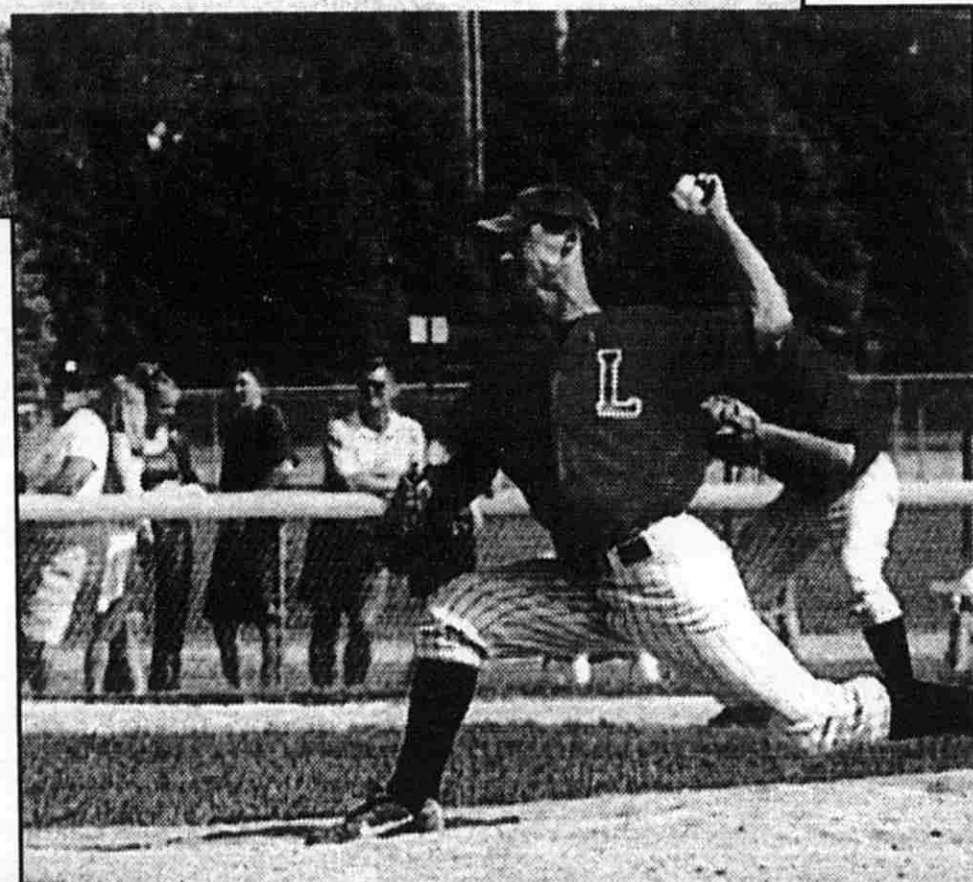
## District Champions



Lowell's T.J. Thayer, left, tagged second and threw to first for a double play in Lowell's district opening 6-3 win over Greenville.

Dustin Gless, right, pitched seven strong innings against the Comets, allowing just three hits while walking one and striking out nine.

Below, a Lowell baserunner slides home safely ahead of the throw.



# Lowell held in check by Grand Ledge ace

••• The Red Arrows girls softball season came to an end in the district title game on Saturday as the Comets edged Lowell 2-1. Grand Ledge pitcher Erin Curtice held the Red Arrows to just three hits.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Curtice held Lowell in check, allowing just three hits, as the Comets edged the Red Arrows 2-1 in the district title

game Saturday at Lowell. In a battle of pitching titans, Curtice outdueled

A Grand Ledge baserunner was thrown out at the plate by Lowell leftfielder Kelly Kemen when she tried scoring from second on a single to center in the third inning.

Rickert tagged out a Comet at the plate in the second inning after the runner tried scoring from third base on a wild pitch.

Grand Ledge put runners on first and second in the seventh with no out, but Rickert was able to escape without a run scoring.

"Lowell played good defense. They are a well coached club," Kruger said.

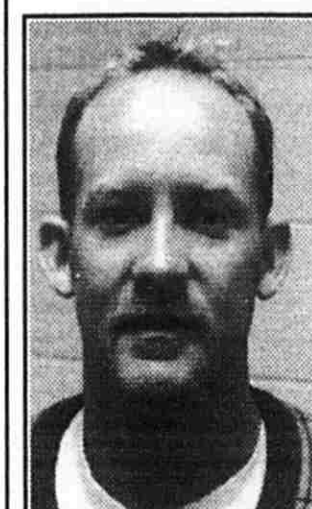
Grand Ledge made it to the finals with a win over St. Johns.

Lowell advanced to the district championship game with a six-inning, 13-3 win over Greenville.

# Suffering Gladly

••• The district championship cost Lowell baseball coach Tim Antel his sleep...and a Saturday flight out of Grand Rapids to the Bahamas.

Bahamas — Grand Ledge?  
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A year ago this spring, after resigning as Lowell High School's junior varsity baseball coach, Tim Antel bought his wife Joyce and him tickets to the Bahamas. The highly anticipated trip was scheduled to begin with a June 12 (remember this date) flight out of Grand Rapids.

A short time after his resignation, Antel was offered the varsity baseball coaching position at Lowell High School. He accepted.

As of Saturday morning the flight was still a go. There had been no airline delays, no overbookings and no canceling out by the babysitter (Grandma) who agreed to watch their two kids (Timothy II and Shelby).

## Best Laid Plans ....

However, Saturday afternoon, an unlikely event occurred that hadn't taken place at Lowell High School in 10 years. The Red Arrows won a district baseball championship.

Even more unlikely, at least to the state high school baseball pundits, Lowell defeated Grand Ledge, the fourth ranked high school baseball team in the state of Michigan, 3-0. The Comets were also ranked 23rd in the country prior to the start of the season.

The win reserves Lowell a spot in the regional at Grand Ledge on Saturday, June 12, against Saline, the Adrian district winner.

How about that trip to the Bahamas?

"I guess I'm out \$300," Antel said.

Maybe the airline will show compassion and let you reschedule the trip for another day.... "Yeah, right!"

## Not a player-like coach.... Less Rest Rules.

Lowell's ace lefty, Dustin Gless said he had no problems sleeping Friday night before the district. In fact, he had no pre-game jitters either.

"I slept fine," Gless said.

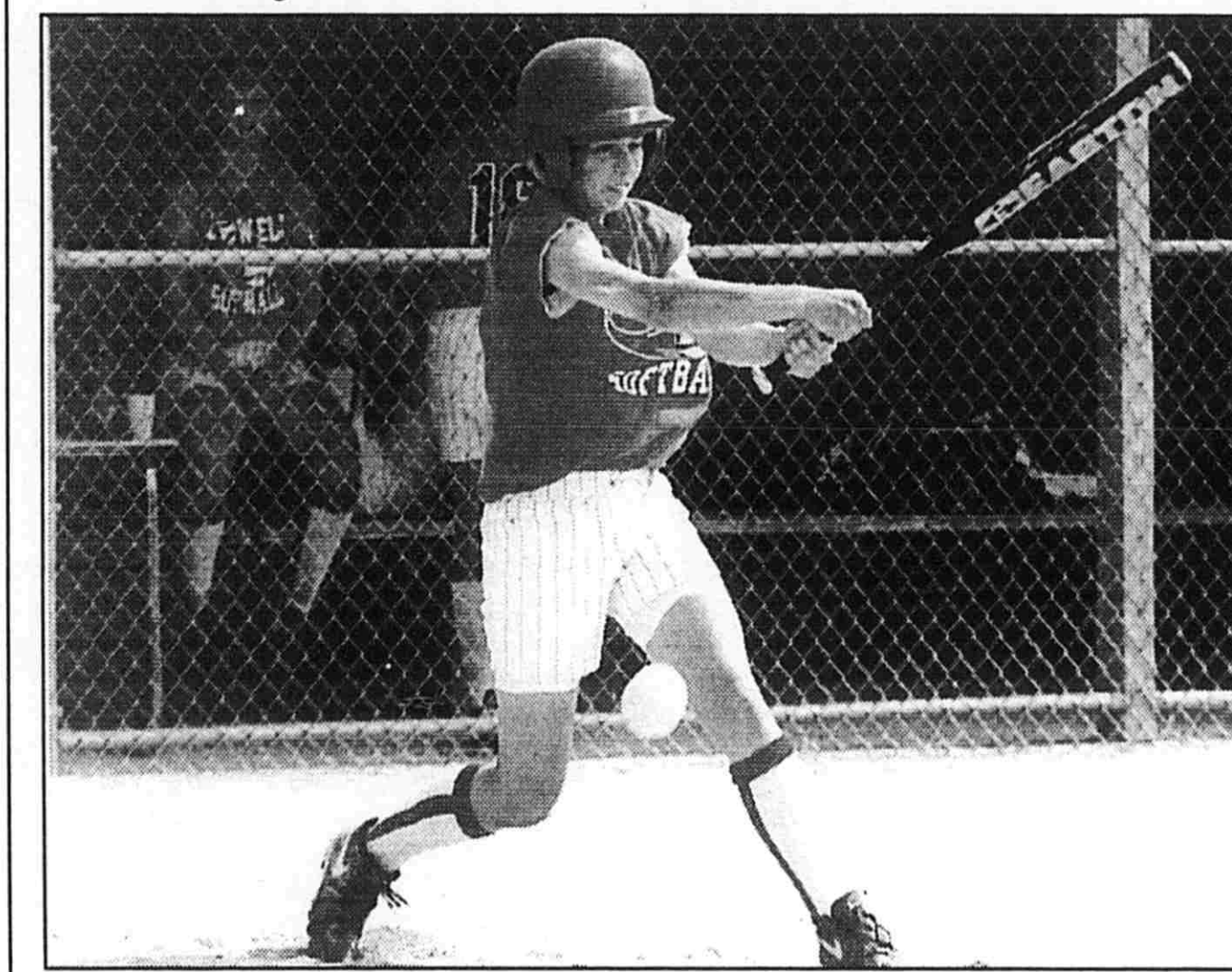
While Gless was resting comfortably, his coach was surfing the cable channels at 2:30 Saturday morning.

"I lay down with my boy when I put him to bed. I slept for about 20 minutes," Antel said. "After that, I was up watching ESPN and whatever else was on TV until 2:30-3 o'clock in the morning."

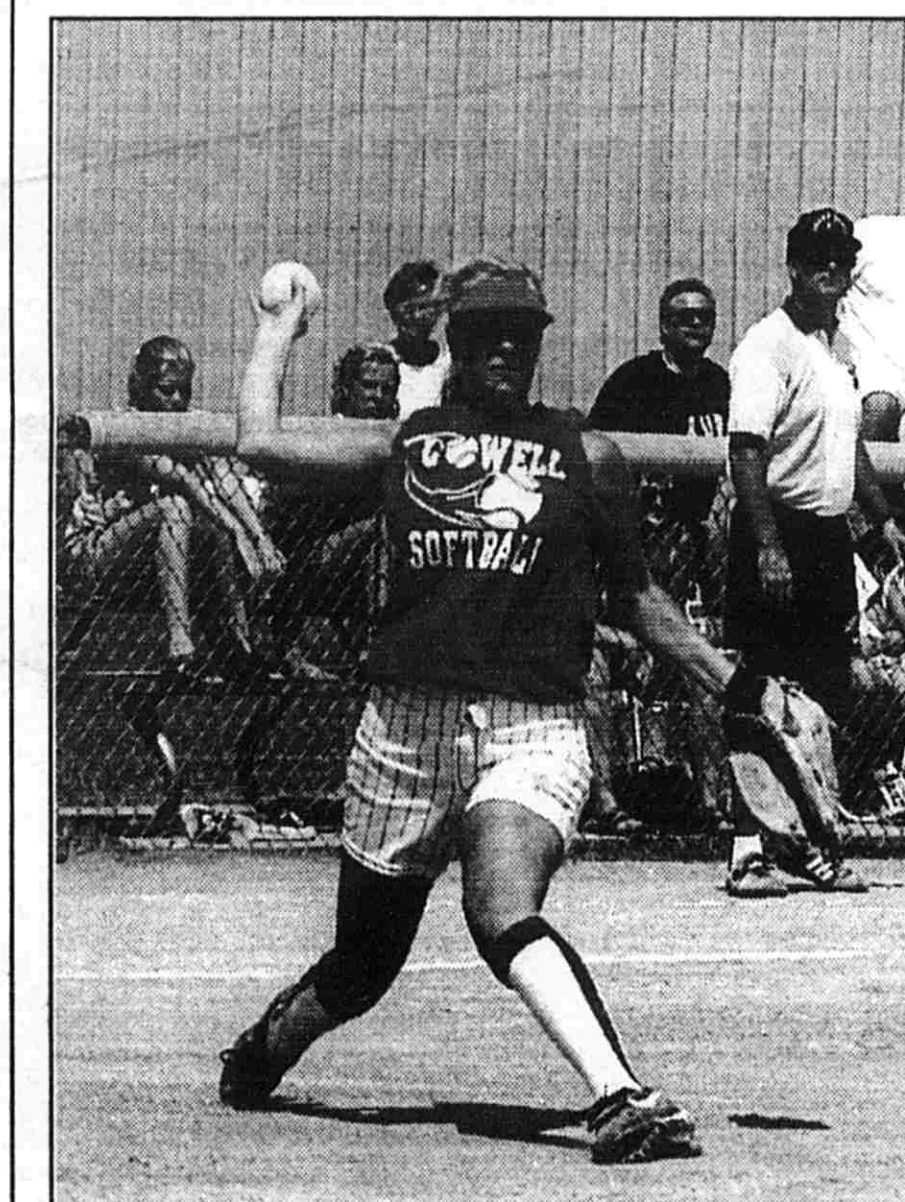
Well, the first-year coach has some time to rest up before his trip on Saturday.

To the Bahamas? - Yeah, right!

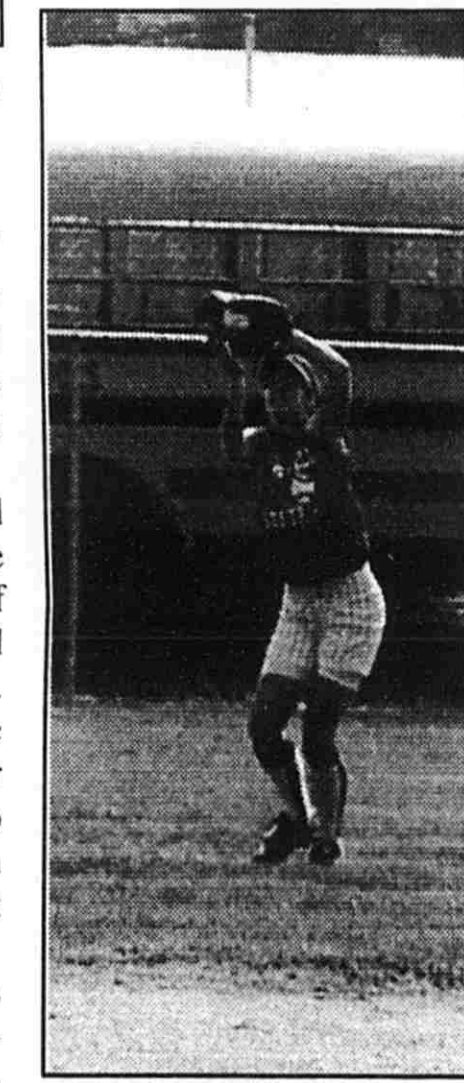
- Thaddeus J. Kraus, Lowell Ledger Editor



Lowell's Rachael Fredline fouls off a pitch in Lowell's district opening 13-3 win against Greenville.



Red Arrow Amy Smit fields a bunt and throws to first in the district championship game against Grand Ledge.



Becky Brander camps under the ball and makes the catch.

Lowell's Andrea Rickert.

Two of the Red Arrows' hits off of Curtice came in the sixth inning when they played their only run. The hits came off the bats of Rachael Fredline and Amy Smit.

"Curtice is a good thrower. We never were able to come up with a big hit off from her," Lowell softball coach Bob Rodenhouse said. "Andrea pitched a good game for us and we made a number of good defensive plays to prevent Grand Ledge from scoring. We just couldn't hit the ball against Curtice."

The Comet hurler was coming off a no-hit performance against Lansing Sexton in a pre-district game on Tuesday.

"Erin has been pitching really well for us. She has good location and is able to drop the ball down and in, and down and out," said Grand Ledge coach Bob Kruger.

Curtice enticed Lowell into many harmless ground balls.

The Comets scored a run in the first on a leadoff walk to Nicole Beasley, and a hit batsman. Beasley eventually scored on a one-out grounder to third.

Grand Ledge added its second and winning run in the third on a Kim Horanburg RBI single, scoring Jodi Grantham.

The Comets had other scoring opportunities erased via good defensive plays by Lowell.

"It was a methodical, un-inspired win," said Rodenhouse.

The Red Arrows scored one in the second, third and fourth innings, added two in the fifth and five more in the sixth.

Rickert gave up just two hits while walking five and striking out 12 Yellowjackets.

Lowell's run in the first came on an Amy Smit double and an RBI single by Brander. An RBI single in the second by Kelly Kemen plated Rachael Fredline.

A two-run single by Angie DeWitt highlighted Lowell's five-run sixth inning.

Lowell finished its season with a record of 24-10.

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were crowding the plate, so I knew I had to be able to throw inside."

It's a good thing since his counterpart, John MacLeod (10-2) pitched a pretty good game.

He only allowed five Lowell hits.

The Red Arrows scored what proved to be the game-winning run in the fourth inning. T.J. Thayer singled, advanced to second on a pass ball and then stole third. The throw to third got past the third baseman enabling Thayer to score.

"I told the boys before the game, we weren't going to change a thing just because of who we were playing. We were going to run every chance we could," Antel said. "It got our first (winning) run."

Lowell added two more runs in the sixth inning. Gless

walked and Thayer doubled him home. On the play at the plate, Gless slid around the tag and then hustled back to tag the plate.

"It was a heck of a slide and effort to touch the plate," Antel said.

Thayer then advanced to third on a wild pitch and scored on an RBI ground ball to the right side of the infield by Keith Valentine.

"I knew if we could get past Greenville, we'd be ready to play," Antel said. "The seniors on this team are gamers. I said before the start of the season, our strength is in our senior leadership. Our success is because of the time they and the rest of the team have put into the season."

Lowell will try to improve upon their success Saturday at the regional in Grand Ledge.

## District Baseball Honors

Four Lowell baseball players were named to the all-district team following Saturday's 6-3 win over Greenville and its district winning 3-0 shutout over Grand Ledge.

Lowell's Dustin Gless was named the all-district pitcher; Jim Gilchrist, all-district first baseman; T.J. Thayer, all-district infielder; and Steve VanLaan, all-district outfielder.

I would like to dedicate this district championship to the parents of all the players and to Kris Kropf for all the years and work he put into the Lowell baseball program.

Tim Antel  
Lowell Varsity Baseball Coach

## District Softball Honors

Red Arrows named to the all-district girls' softball team were Andrea Rickert, pitcher; Bethany Fredline, catcher; Rachael Fredline, second baseman; Jodi Seif, shortstop; Amy Snell, third base; and Becky Brander, centerfield. Lowell defeated Greenville 13-3 in the semifinals before losing to Grand Ledge 2-1 in the title game.



# Century's final class says farewell to LHS

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

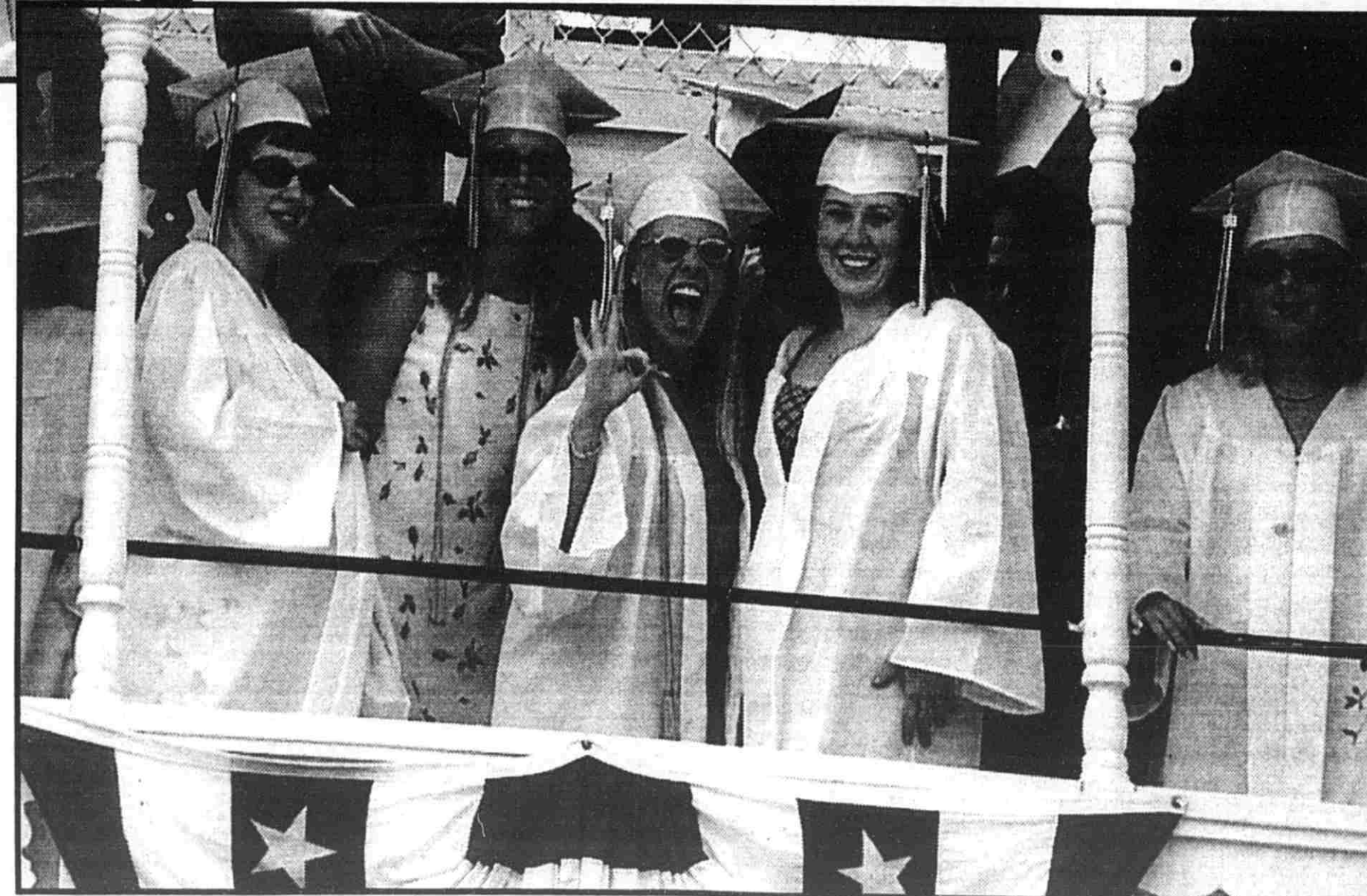
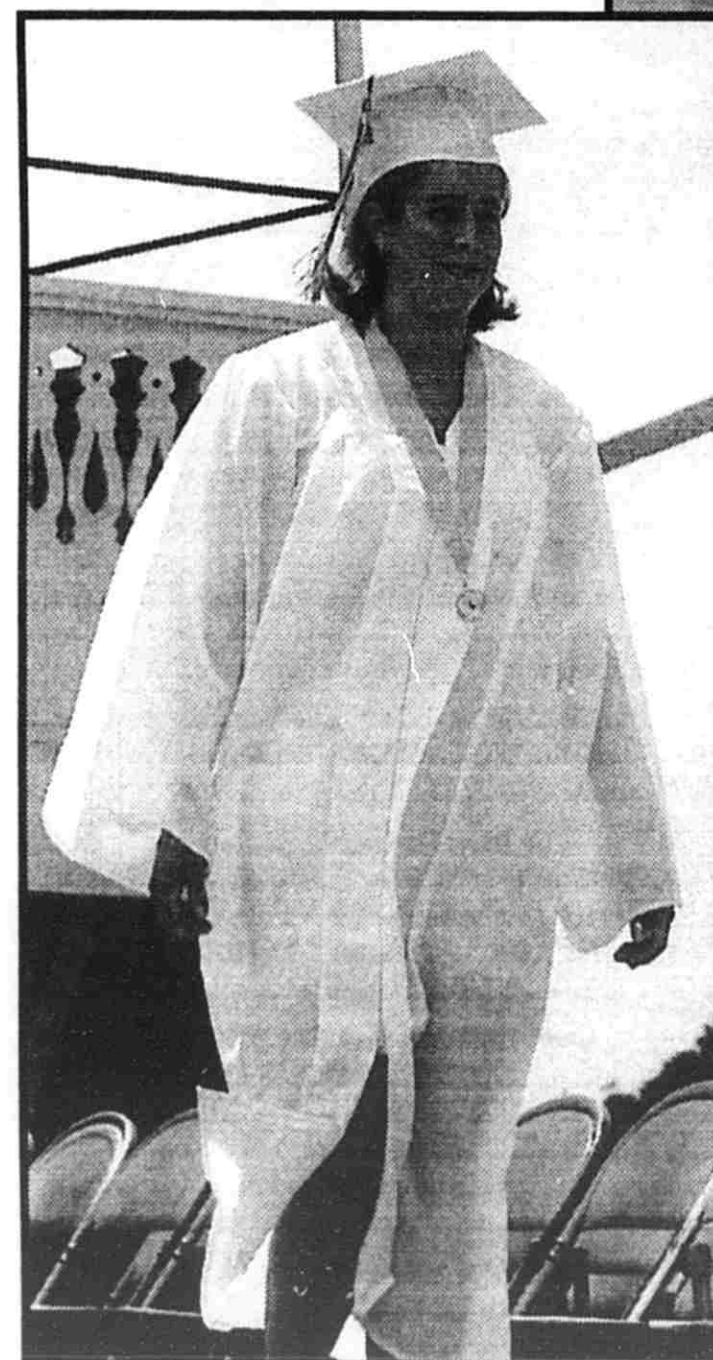
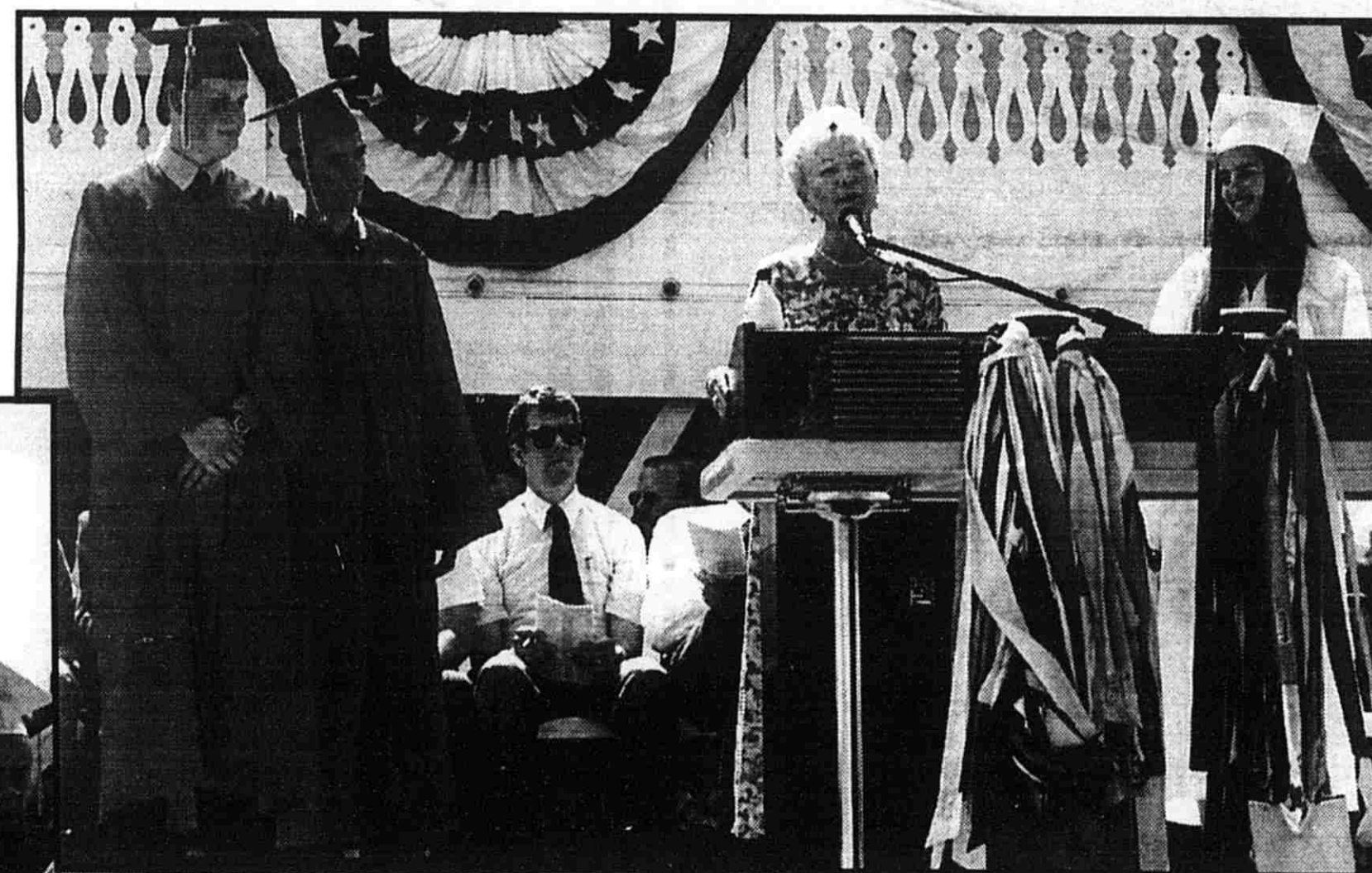
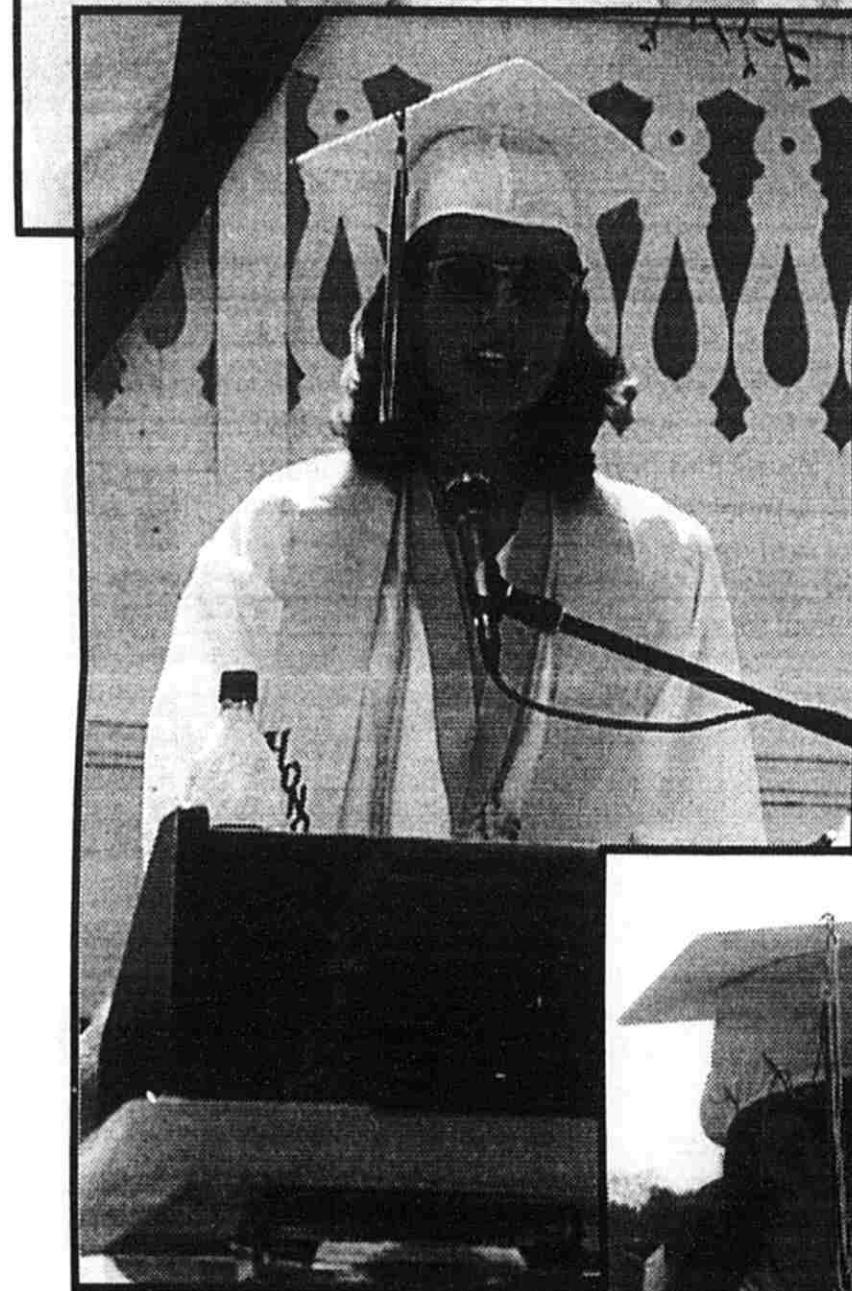
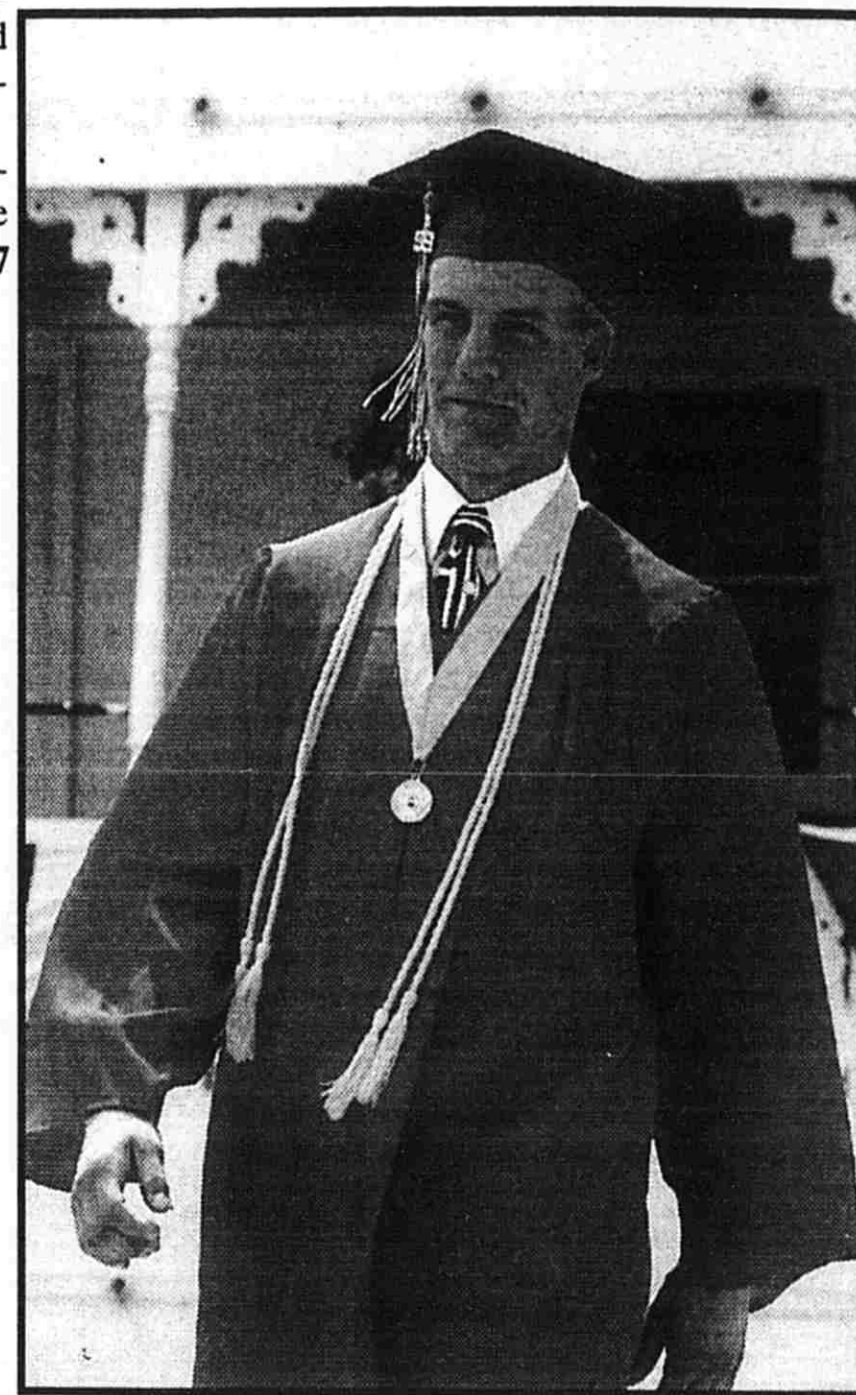
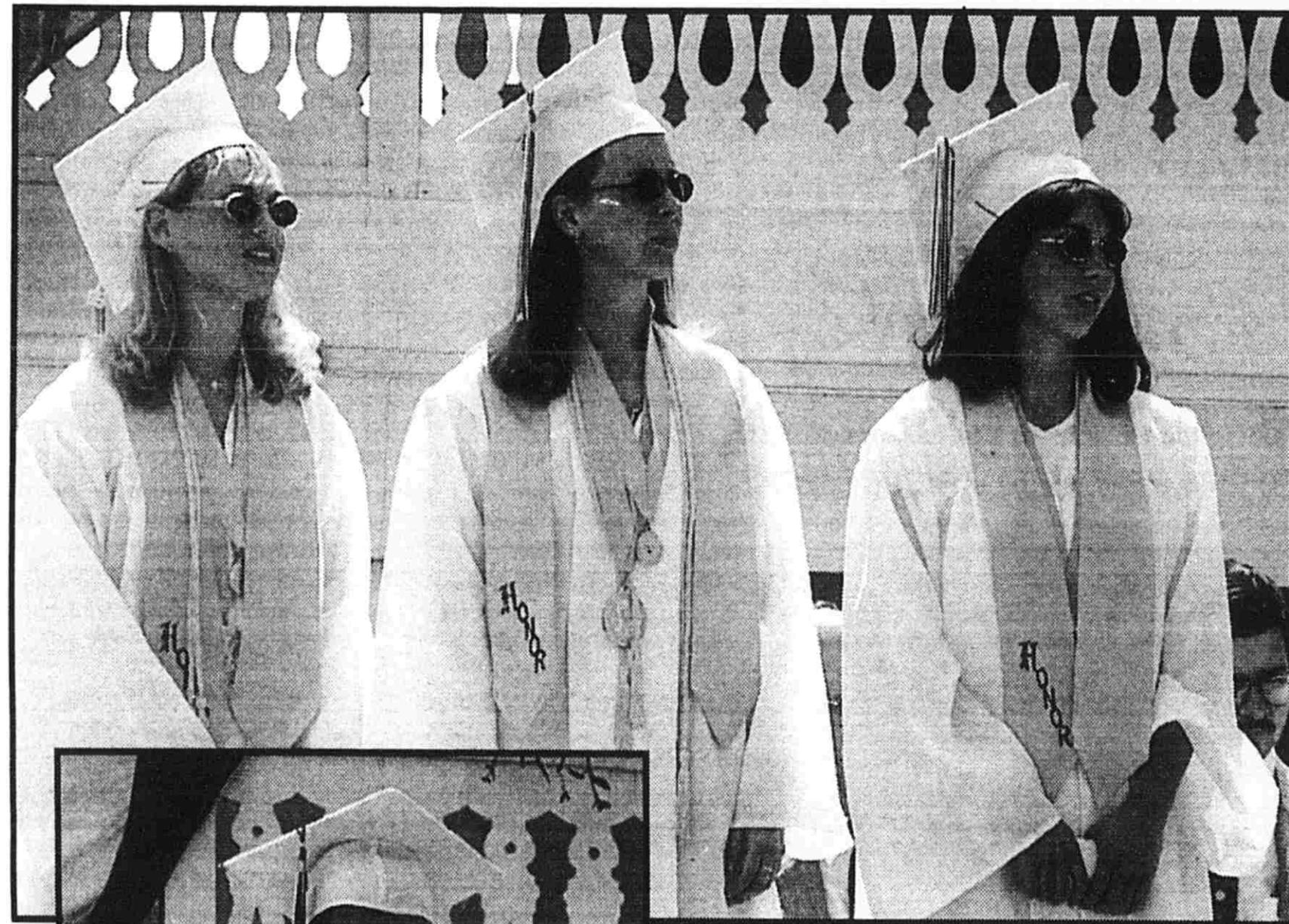
"Today is a present - seize the day" were the words of advice from tri-valedictorian Rachael Fredline to her fellow graduating class.

This past Sunday, 236 Lowell seniors seized the "present" as they received their diplomas as members of the 121st graduating class at Lowell High School.  
Scott Vashaw, Lowell

High School principal, reminded graduates of the community values (respect, integrity, compassion, honesty and responsibility) found hanging in the high school and throughout the commu-

nity. "Let these be a benchmark for future decisions and choices you make," he explained.

All who were in attendance were reminded of the **Graduation, cont'd., pg. 27**



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two seniors Christopher Miles Cunningham and Lucas Cameron Swanson who were tragically killed in an accident earlier this year.

In honor of the two boys, two chairs were placed with the graduating class with their cap, gown and a red rose.

Swanson's father John Swanson was presented with a diploma by Vashaw in memory of his son.

The Cunningham family was unable to attend.

Tri-valedictorian Katie Akers reminded her fellow

classmates that there were special gifts in all of them.

"What we choose to do with them will mold who we are in the future," Akers said.

Shannon Finnegan, also a tri-valedictorian, talked of how she always wanted to ride that big yellow bus when she was young.

She also spoke of how special their time is together.

"The older you get, the more you need the people you knew when you were young," Finnegan said.

Salutatorian Meghan

Geer addressed pursuing their hopes and dreams, and the endless possibilities that await them.

"No longer afraid of the storm, it's time for us to sail our own ship," Geer concluded.

Receiving honorary diplomas were foreign exchange students Carolina Arias, Spain; Steven Demirciefe, Germany; and Vegard Kristiansen Kvaale, Norway.

The extreme heat (90 degree temperatures) called for

precautionary measures with water made available throughout the commencement at both the north and south ends of the amphitheatre.

Lowell superintendent Bert Bleke was very cogni-

zant of the warm temperatures during his short address.

"Graduates, listen carefully 1.) Do your best; 2.) Care about other people; and 3.) Have fun." Bleke said to a rousing ovation of an appreciative audience.

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**AT WHICH TIME AND PLACE THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS WILL BE HEARD:**

**Anthony Taft, 7710 Dream Isle, Belding, MI requests a variance from the rear yard setback Sec. 7.03 C and Sec. 3.01 F, Accessory Buildings and Structures. Property located at 7710 Dream Isle, Belding, MI parcel 41-12-03-351-011.**

**John Proos, 7664 Dream Isle, Belding, MI requests a variance height of garage in "R-L" District Sec. 7.03 and Sec 2.08. To increase accessory building height in excess of 16'-0" to 19'6" (+/-). Property located at 7664 Dream Isle, Belding, MI parcel 41-12-03-351-016.**

Written comments concerning these issues should be received prior to the hearing and addressed to Al Berry, Grattan Township Zoning Board of Appeals, 12050 Old Belding Rd., Belding, MI 48809.

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**2 DAY GARAGE SALE**  
Thurs. & Fri., 12572 36th Street, between Segwun & Alden Nash.

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Thurs. & Fri., 8:30 a.m. - ? 423 Howard, Lowell.

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Fri., 6/11, 9-5 p.m. & Sat., 6/12, 9-2 p.m. Clothes: girls (NB-3T), maternity & womens. Household items & much, much more. 3810 Quiggle Ave., Ada (between Cascade & 36th St.)

**GARAGE SALE**  
5672 Whitneyville, private Dr. between 52nd & 60th. Fri., June 11, 9-4 p.m. & Sat., June 12, 8-12. Huge sale! Children's clothing, infant - size 6, boys & girls, baby items, twin bed, coffee tables, dresser & night stand, toys, patio table & chairs, w/umbrella, items too numerous to mention.

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Large selection of baby items, clothes infant - size 6, beautiful oak crib, playpen, swings, high chair, stroller, infant & toddler car seats, tons of toys in great condition. Beanie Babies & much more. 265 Sagamore Trail. June 11, 12 & 13, 8-6 p.m.

**HUGE GARAGE SALE**  
1796 Alden Nash N. Sat., 6/12 only, 8-? Lincoln Lake Rd. N. out of town, W. on Bailey, N. on Alden Nash. No clothes but tons of stuff.

**MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE**  
June 11 & 12, 9 - 5 p.m. 192 S. Center, Saranac. Lots of great bargains.

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June 11 & 12, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Antiques, collectibles, toys, tools, household, clothing & lots of misc. Murray Lake, 4469 Causeway Dr.

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June 11 & 12, 9-6 p.m. Gas dryer, household items, Fisher Price, Little Tikes, Playskool toys, Bassett crib, strollers, bouncer, lot of quality infant & boys clothes, beautiful decorations, Santa collection, handcrafted birdfeeders for Father's Day & much more. 970 Alden Nash NE, down from Lowell High School side entrance.

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606 Grindle Dr. Sat., June 12, 9-? Cancelled if rain.

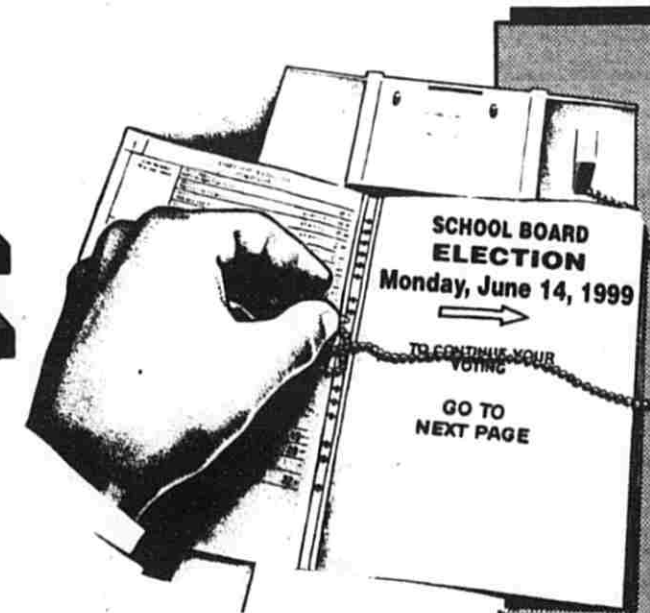
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## Monday, June 14




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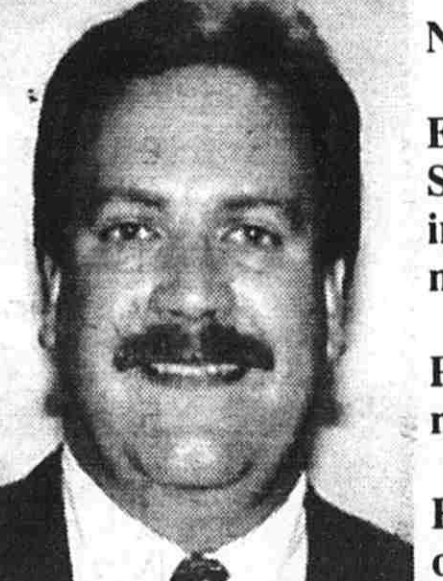
## Candidates speak out on issues; two seats are at stake



**Name:** Deb Canfield  
**Education:** Business courses  
**Profession:** Business/accounting  
**Family:** Married mother of five.



**Name:** Nancy Hopkins  
**Education:** Aquinas College  
**Profession:** Public relations  
**Family:** Married mother of three.



**Name:** Mark Lessens  
**Education:** Bachelor of Science in civil engineering from Michigan Technological University  
**Profession:** Civil Engineer  
**Family:** Married father of four.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Three candidates will compete for two board of education seats at the Monday, June 14, Lowell School Board election. Incumbents Jack Lane (12 years) and Anne Mulder (six years) have chosen not to run, leaving their seats open to candidates Nancy Hopkins, Deb Canfield and Mark Lessens. A 90-minute board candidate forum on Thursday gave the three candidates the opportunity to respond to roughly 15 issues and questions dealing with the school district. The questions varied from sex education to board conduct. "I think these candidates are representative of what Lowell is all about," said moderator Ray Quada. "The quality of these candidates will make the choice of voters a difficult one."

The three precincts will open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m. Precinct 1 is located at Runciman Elementary School, 300 High St.; Precinct 2 is located at the old Bowne Township Hall, 8240 Alden Nash; and Precinct 3 is located at Vergennes Township Hall at the corner of Bailey Drive and Parnell Avenue.

**On the Issues:**

**Critical issues facing the district...**

**Deb Canfield** - I think they would be the budget and growth. Houses are sprouting up all over. I would like to see us keep class sizes where they are. The budget needs our constant attention.

**Nancy Hopkins** - I agree that growth and the budget are probably the two key issues. Growth is probably the critical issue. I think the board will need to study and evaluate the information from the demographics committee when it becomes available. This needs to be looked at within the framework of the funds available on a per student basis from the state. We have growth and may need it to be successful. I also see a need to continue a cooperative partnership between the district and community.

**Mark Lessens** - The financial issue is probably number one. There are labor contracts to deal with this coming year. They may have to be one-year contracts so the district is not caught short. A good school system brings new people to the district, but then you must also deal with growth. Class sizes are pushing the limit. The district needs to keep up with the safety and communication issues.

**School building safety...**

**Mark Lessens** - I think the district is doing a pretty good job. It locks its doors except for the main entrance. There are security guards at the high school to check the building and grounds. Everybody has a responsibility. We all need to take personal responsibility for everyone's safety, similar to a neighborhood watch.

**Deb Canfield** - The issue is very upsetting. I didn't think anything about this 10 years ago. I think we're all aware of it, but as individuals I don't know what we can do that isn't already being done. The district has safety programs going on, locks on the doors, safety on the playgrounds and newsletters asking for suggestions.

**Nancy Hopkins** - As a board member I think we need to address this through our own actions. Don't sit on board in isolation, but communicate. Be in the building yourself. See how it feels. Get out there and experience how safety is being developed in our district. I like that we're bringing parents, students and staff together to discuss what makes us feel safe and unsafe. From this, I think, come solutions.

**The effect on the district of charter schools and home schooling...**

**Nancy Hopkins** - I find in public schools there is a high value on education for good schools and good education for every child. In general terms, do they affect public schools? Yes, I think they do. I hear talk of it on television. I hear parents talking of charter schools... some good competition out there. I think Lowell needs to stay informed. What is it about charter schools that is potentially attractive? What is it about Lowell Schools that is even better? Keep parents abreast of what we're doing well.

**Mark Lessens** - Yes, it does affect Lowell schools. I believe, though, public schools offer a more well-rounded education of all the curriculums and extra-curriculum. As a public school, we are charged with accepting all children. That is good. It gives us a well-rounded student population... not just a math, science or reading school. We have to compete with charter schools. Push our product as the best. I don't believe there is anybody better qualified to teach my children than a teacher who has gone through school and believes in the profession of teaching.

**Selling fast food on a daily basis in a school cafeteria...**

**Deb Canfield** - I don't believe charter schools or home schooling can compete with what public (Lowell) schools have. We have unified arts, shop, drawing. They don't have the labs, the gymnasiums or the music or athletic programs. I don't see charter schools going very far over the years. I also believe mothers can't do everything. They are good mentors but they can't offer what public schools have to offer.

**Nancy Hopkins** - I think it is most appropriate for the high school level. Those students are hopefully responsible for buying for themselves and have learned the value of good nutrition, and that food is something you enjoy on a periodic basis. I also suggest that it should not be offered on a daily basis.

**Mark Lessens** - I don't feel we need to bring in outside sources at any grade level. The school lunch is set up by the state/federal government and is probably the most nutritional. Kids have the opportunity to go outside after school or on the weekends to get fast food. We've had enough of an issue with pop - I can't imagine what would happen with an Arby's, McDonald's, Burger King war.

**Deb Canfield** - I don't think we need any of those fast foods in schools. I can't see much traditional value in anything that they serve on their menu. I would vote completely against that. Fast food doesn't need to be anywhere near our schools.

**Sex education... opt in child or opt out...**

**Deb Canfield** - It should be mandatory. I think the only way out is for the parents to opt out. Currently, at the middle school and elementary levels, they offer the materials for your child to see and then parents can opt their child out if they want. Again, I think it should be mandatory.

**Nancy Hopkins** - Sex education should be offered on an opt-out basis. I think parents are primarily responsible for passing their values and beliefs, in terms of sexual education, onto their children. It is the parents' responsibility at that point in their children's lives whether the child should receive that type of education in school.

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**Mark Lessens** - I think opt out is probably the way to go. I think they are probably very similar. Parents have the primary responsibility. They know their kids better than anyone and the appropriate age to talk about sex education. All kids are different.

**The best and worst of public education...**

**Deb Canfield** - Lies with the community and teachers working together.

**Volunteers in school...**

**Mark Lessens** - Public schools, well-rounded curriculum and education are available to all. The worst of public education is inactive parents.

**Volunteers in school...**

**Mark Lessens** - Volunteers are so important and do so many things. It is important that parents get into the buildings and see what's going on.

**Deb Canfield** - It is great for a little person to have mom or dad around while at school. Volunteerism in Lowell is very strong. Lowell's success has a lot to do with its strong volunteer base.

**Nancy Hopkins** - Parents becoming involved is always welcomed. It is also a strong component in this district. If you are a volunteer in this district, your efforts are recognized no matter how often you are able to volunteer your time.

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## VOTE FOR DEB CANFIELD

### Lowell School Board Election Monday, June 14, 1999



I have been attending the Board meetings regularly and I am current on the School Board issues. My goal is to make sure that the Lowell Area Schools is one of the best places to educate our children. I am a fair, honest and open minded person. I have children at all levels of our school district: high school, middle school and elementary school. I have always been involved in my children's education. As a parent, taxpayer and a business owner, I feel that I can represent our school district effectively. Let's keep Lowell Area Schools moving in a positive direction. Vote for Deb Canfield Monday, June 14, 1999. Remember, there are only three voting precincts for school elections: the Old Bowne Township Hall, the Vergennes Township Hall and the Runciman School. Every vote counts!

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TO THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of the Township of Bowne, County of Kent, Michigan, has called a special election to be held in the Township on Tuesday, July 13, 1999.

ALSO TAKE NOTICE that the following propositions will be submitted to the vote of the electors at the special election:

**PROPOSITION 1  
PROPOSITION FOR BOWNE TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT MILLAGE RENEWAL**

Shall the limitation on the total amount of general ad valorem taxes imposed upon all taxable property annually within the Township of Bowne, County of Kent, Michigan, be increased by 1.7911 mills (\$1.7911 per \$1,000) on the taxable value of such property for a period of 10 years, 1999 through 2008, both inclusive, to provide funds for the operation, maintenance and equipment of the Township of Bowne Fire Department (estimated to provide revenues of \$132,603 in the first year of the levy) (this being a renewal of 1.7911 mills which expired with the 1998 tax levy)?

YES \_\_\_\_\_  
NO \_\_\_\_\_

**PROPOSITION 2  
PROPOSITION FOR BOWNE TOWNSHIP MILLAGE INCREASE**

Shall the limitation on the total amount of general ad valorem taxes imposed upon all taxable property annually within the Township of Bowne, County of Kent, Michigan, be increased by 1.0 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000) on the taxable value of such property for a period of ten years, 1999 through 2008, both inclusive (estimated to provide revenues of \$74,035 in the first year of the levy) to provide additional funds for Township operating purposes?

YES \_\_\_\_\_  
NO \_\_\_\_\_

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 13, 1999 IS MONDAY, JUNE 14, 1999. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, JUNE 14, 1999 ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION.

The Township Clerk will be in her office at the Bowne Township offices, 6059 Linfield, SE, Alto, Michigan on Monday, June 14, 1999, the last day of registration for the special election, between the hours of 8:00 o'clock a.m. and 5:00 o'clock p.m. for the purposes of reviewing the registration and registering such of the qualified electors in the Township as shall properly apply therefor. Prior to Monday, June 14, 1999, the Township Clerk will be in her office on Wednesday and Friday of each week between the hours of 9:00 o'clock a.m. and 5:00 o'clock p.m.

This Notice is given by order of the Township Board of the Township of Bowne, County of Kent, Michigan.

Sandra Kowalczyk  
Township Clerk





Trisha Spaulding, director of public relations for Integrated Architecture, guided Lowell High School students through a tour of the 1 1/2 year old structure at 4090 Lake Dr. in Grand Rapids.



The octagonal or brainstorming conference room is designed to converge in a peak, symbolizing the way conceptual thinking comes to a successful conclusion based on a multiplicity of thoughts and ideas. In the middle of this granite table is a drain that takes away all bad ideas.

## School to Career program takes students to job site

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Creating something that sparks discussion is something Integrated Architecture did with the construction of its avant-garde architecture at 4090 Lake Dr. Grand Rapids.

Lowell High School has also created discussion among ninth and 10th-grade students through the genesis of its School-to-Career program.

"The program introduces students to the world of work," said Lowell High School counselor Robert VanBelois. "They have 40 different job sites they can pick from. This is a starting point which helps them see what jobs are about and an opportunity to ask questions."

A committee has been working on the program for a year in response to a community call for more career oriented programming.

VanBelois says the program may blossom into job shadowing enabling a student to spend part of a day on the job with an employee. Some schools in the West Michigan area have started internship classes.

"Reading about a job in a book is nothing like being on the job," VanBelois explains. "There are a thousand different careers students can get into... This program helps give them exposure to some of them."

Some of the places students have visited this year include the Grand Plaza, Steelcase, Spectrum Health and Integrated Architecture.

"A visit to Integrated Architecture and other work places fires up students and motivates them," VanBelois said, which shadows what Integrated Architecture does for its employees who all worked on the core of the building during the construction phase.

The experience and the workplace created have lifted

their professional spirits and expanded possibilities.

The intention of the building was to transmit a passion for architecture. It has done that, according to Integrated Architecture's director of public relations, Trisha Spaulding, who provides one-hour walk-through tours conducted on different levels - to meet the knowledge requirements of grade school students, architectural professionals and the general public.

In the 1 1/2 years the building has been open, there have been over 3,000 tours given.

The money that went into constructing Integrated Architecture went to its design as opposed to cladding the surfaces.

The design allows visitors to understand how a building is put together by seeing what's above a ceiling, beneath a floor or inside a wall.

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## Sturis selected for Lions All-State Band

Sandra Sturis, a flute player for the Lowell High School band, was selected to tour with the Michigan Lions All-State band this summer. Sturis' travels will include stops in San Diego and Los Angeles. Above, Lowell Lions Club member Robert Reagan presents Sturis with a check for \$400 to help cover her expenses. Sturis' trip expenses will be approximately \$1,200. The Lowell junior also received \$400 from the Alto Lions Club. Pictured to Sturis' left is Lowell High School band director, Robert Rice.



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brary branches this summer. Kids age 7 and up are invited to participate in this program that celebrates the real Olympic games held in Australia next year. All who participate

will make and take home a craft medal along with a certificate of appreciation. At the KDL Aussie Olympics, everyone is a winner!

The Alto Branch Library

is hosting the Aussie Olympics on Tuesday, June 22 at 1:30 p.m. The Englehardt Branch in Lowell will be hosting the program on Monday, July 26, at 6:30 p.m.

For more information about the Aussie Olympics contact the Alto Branch Library at 868-6038, the

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PLEASE BE NOTIFIED that the Lowell Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on

MONDAY, JUNE 14, 1999 AT 7:00 P.M.

At the Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash, SE to consider Sundry Corporation, Inc.'s request to rezone the Robert Boyd property at 14034 28th Street (41-20-13-100-032) from Ag-2 (Agriculture) to PUD (Planned Unit Development) with the goal of preserving as much of the natural features of the parcel as possible.

The rezoning application and the township zoning map and ordinance may be examined at the Township Office during regular office hours. Please call 897-7600 for further information.

Carol L. Wells, Clerk  
Lowell Charter Township

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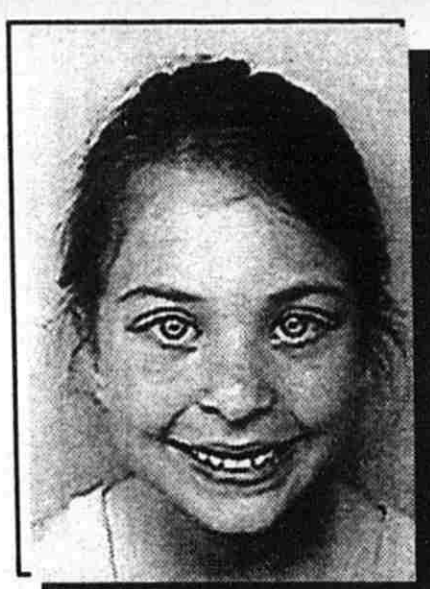
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