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Eighth-grade score indicates it may be "rocket science"

Lowell eighth-grade students, who scored among the very best in Michigan on the MEAP writing exam, struggled in the area of science. Four consecutive years of low science scores have school officials scratching their heads.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Making a wholistic comparison of the MEAP scores, allows Jim White, Lowell's assistant superintendent for instruction, to look at student performance over time.

It provides him a view of the big picture.

That big picture left him a little puzzled after reviewing the eighth-grade writing and science scores.

Lowell has put an emphasis on writing and science over the last four years. While it has made quite an impact on Lowell's eighth-grade writing scores, the same cannot be said in science.

Lowell's eighth-grade MEAP writing scores over that last four years have ranged between 93.8 and 96.5. That is the percent of students scoring proficient on the test.

Eighth-grade MEAP science scores have ranged be-

tween 20.5 and 32.4 over the same four-year period.

"What we're doing in writing is working real well, but we need to look at what's going on in science. Something is not being done. What we're currently doing is not working," White explained. "We're a long way from where we should be."

Lowell's eighth-grade science score showed that only 28 percent of the students scored satisfactorily. The score placed Lowell 13th among the 20 schools in the Kent Intermediate School District (KISD), but below the Kent County average of 31 percent.

In drawing up the test, the state pull can pull from 13 different strands in the state science core curriculum. In past years, the MEAP has tested students from any six of those strands. This year, students were tested on information from all 13.

White said the district will

review teacher preparation, curriculum, instruction and assessment.

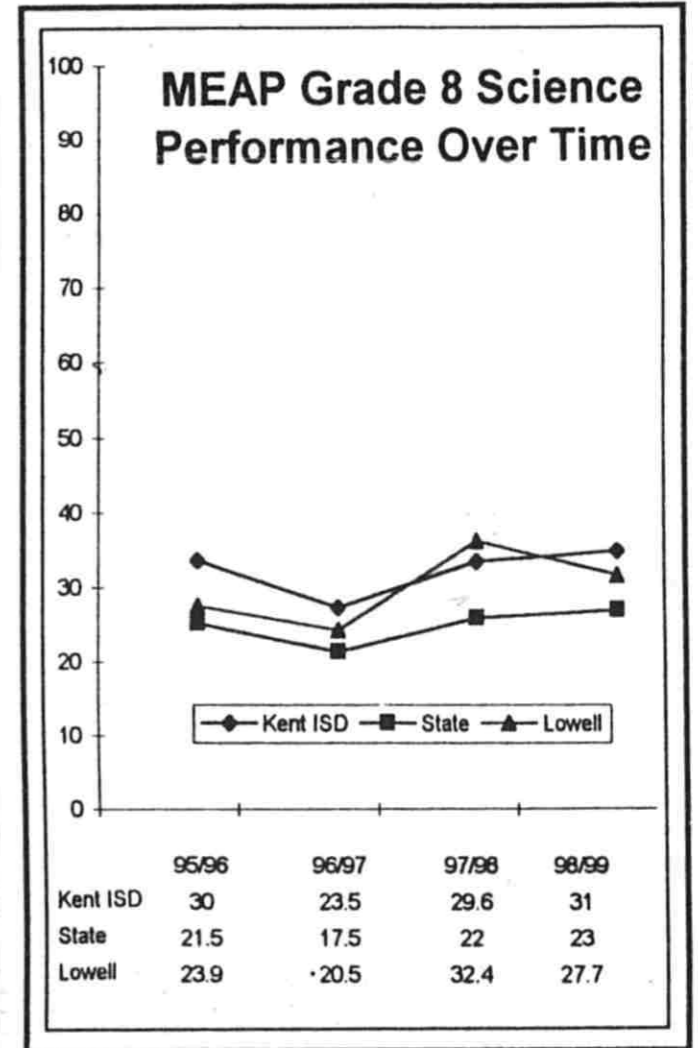
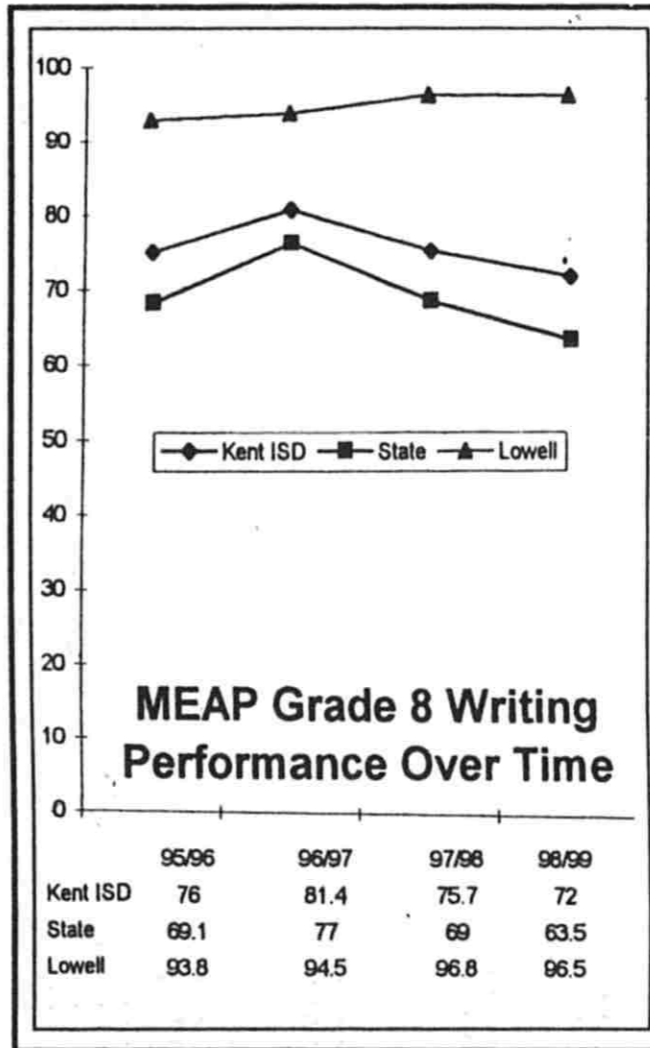
Lowell Middle School assistant principal Mark Weber called the results frustrating. "We've worked very hard on improving our middle school science scores."

Weber said the test calls for students to know the information and to be able to use it.

"Many of the answers are in the questions, but our students are having trouble pulling out and applying information from the charts and graphs.

There are 19 schools in Kent County, covering 13 districts, that are participating in a study to determine what teaching techniques are working in the area of science.

Lowell has also formed a science process skills leadership team, consisting of three high school, middle school and elementary teachers.



"The idea is to take the curriculum and create assessments, lessons and procedures which will help students use skills tested on the MEAP," White said.

On the seventh-grade MEAP math test, 88 percent of Lowell's students scored satisfactorily. That was fourth best among KISD schools.

Lowell seventh-graders were also fourth best among

KISD schools in reading with 71 percent scoring satisfactorily.

At the fifth-grade level, 51 percent of Lowell students scored satisfactorily in science while 69 percent scored satisfactorily in writing.

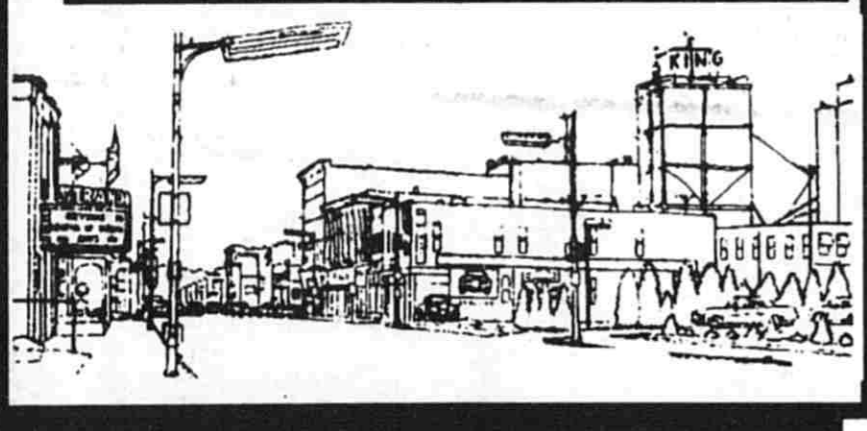
In fourth-grade math, 87

percent of the students scored satisfactorily while 72 percent scored satisfactorily in reading.

In a cost analysis, which attempts to show which schools are getting the most

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Along Main Street



CAR WASH

The Lowell Varsity girls soccer team will be hosting a car wash from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 17 in the Family Fare parking lot.

LOWELL FIRE DEPT. BLOOD DRIVE

The Lowell Area Fire Department is sponsoring a blood drive for the Grand Valley Blood program on Wednesday, July 21, from 3-7 p.m. at the Look Memorial Fire Station located at 315 S. Hudson St. Appointment preferred.

SHOWBOAT ENTERTAINMENT

The Left of Center Band will perform this evening (Wed.) at the Showboat Amphitheater from 7-9 p.m. Next week Angie's Angels and Jason Conant & Friend's will provide the entertainment from 7-7:15 and 7:15 - 8 p.m. respectively.

CLASS OF 1930 REUNION

The class of 1930 will be holding their reunion Saturday, July 31 at Keiser's Kitchen at noon. The class of 1920 and 1931 are invited also.

Call 897-7218 or 897-5331 if you wish to attend.

TEEN DANCES AT SHOWBOAT AMPHITHEATER

Teen dances will continue this year at the amphitheater every Tuesday night from 8:30-11 p.m. now through August

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Arts Alive in Lowell

A \$19,000 Englehardt Lowell Community Fund grant will aid the Lowell Area Arts Council in setting forth with a strategic plan for arts in Lowell through 2005.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

A Englehardt Lowell Area Community Fund grant will expedite Lowell Area Arts Council's ability to implement a strategic plan which will provide the nonprofit organization a road map through the year 2005.

It's mission statement "arts alive everyday" in the Lowell community will include providing more opportunities through garnering more support for visual artist in the Lowell community and getting the work of more artists out into the community.

Fulfilling the mission in the short-term will require a focus in the areas of education, gallery exhibits, community festivals, performing arts, community collaboration and organizational development.

The drafting of a strategic plan was finalized in April. The \$19,000 grant received through the Lowell Area Community Fund in June will bring to life goals and objectives that represent the future direction of the Lowell Area Arts Council.

They were authored through a series of community-wide assessment activities including: group meetings, individual interviews, membership surveys and eight planning sessions. In all, over 50 hours of thinking, planning and debate produced the blueprint.

The goals identified through this process are:

1. Restructuring the current working board into a community governing board;
2. Creating a separate volunteer membership organization;

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Are We Almost There?

Many motorists while slowing or stopping for road construction this summer have probably asked, when will it end?

The Michigan Department of Transportation has designed a sign that is intended to help answer that very question.

It has begun erecting signs at construction sites that indicate what percentage (25, 50, 75 and 90) of the project has been completed.

The Lowell/Ada M-21 construction area became

just the second site to have such signs.

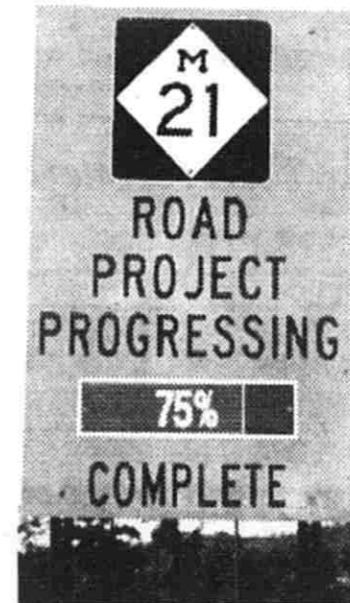
Signs have been erected near Cumberland and Grand River in Ada.

The signs indicate the road construction project is 75 percent complete.

The signs are meant to help keep motorists informed as to where workers are on the project.

The signs were first used in Grand Rapids on eastbound 196.

The Lowell/Ada site became the second site on Monday, according to MDOT officials.



INSIDE THE LEDGER

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OBITUARIES

BORUP - Reva E. Borup, 1913 in Easton Twp. to Frank (Lyda Conner) Covert. She was a member of The Saranac Community Church and also a former member of the La-

dies Fellowship of that church. She married Frank Borup June 25, 1932 in Indiana who preceded her in death November 18, 1993. She is survived by two sons Gilbert (Verdena) Borup of Saranac and Fran (Jackie) Borup also of Saranac; five grandchildren. Brenda Karsies, Doug Borup, Derrick Borup, Derrick Borup, Becky Beaudry and Jeffrey Borup also there are 12 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one brother, Lester. Funeral services will be held Wednesday (today) at 1 p.m. at the Saranac Community Church with Rev. Stanley Hagemeyer officiating interment Saranac Cemetery. Anyone wishing may make contributions to the Saranac community Church or the Alzheimers Society.

DAVENPORT - Elizabeth K. (Betsy) Davenport, age 20, of Saranac, passed away July 7, 1999 at Spectrum Downtown after a courageous battle with cancer. She was born in Grand Rapids, March 10, 1979 to Douglas and Pamela Davenport. She attended Saranac Schools. She loved cats and babies as well as just being able to be home. She liked the simple things in life. She is survived by her parents Douglas and Pamela in Saranac, grandparents Ivan and Delores Davenport of Saranac, William Hopewell of Lowell, great-grandparents Carey and Ester Truman of FL.; three sisters Erin S., Elona K. and Elisha A. all

living at home; also surviving are several aunts, uncles and cousins. Funeral services were held at the Christian Life Center in Lowell with Rev. Robert Holmes officiating. Interment Saranac Cemetery. Anyone wishing may make contributions to the Heme-Onc. Clinic at DeVos Children's Hospital may do so in care of Lake Funeral Home, 158 Mill St., P. O. Box 51, Saranac, MI 48881

ROORDA - Jeltje Christina "Christina" Roorda-Miedema, aged 78, of Wyoming, died Sunday, July 11, 1999. She was preceded in death by her husband Sikke, sister Jinke Bossenbroek and brother Sietsje Miedema. She is survived by her children Theodore (Le) Roorda of MD, Andy (Ina) Roorda of NH, Sally Tilley and Tina Roorda, both of Wyoming, MI; brothers, Jaap Miedema, Piet Miedema; sister Neeltje Miedema, Jacob Miedema, Piet Miedema; sister Neeltje Miedema, Jacoba Miedema, Gelie Bollenbakker, Tea (Jan) Nap; many grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Service of Celebration and Remembrance will be Friday 7 p.m. at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Dr. Steve Stam of Third Reformed Church in Holland officiating. Visitation Friday 2-4 & 5-7 p.m. Graveside services will be Saturday 10 a.m. at Oakwood Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Holland Home Hospice of Breton Manor or Visiting Nurses Association.

SEILER - Harold K. Seiler, age 85, of Saranac, passed away suddenly at the Ionia County Memorial Hospital July 6, 1999. He was born September 15, 1913 in Keene Twp. to Harvey and Maude (Holcomb) Seiler. He was a farmer in Berlin Twp. for 35 years. He married Dorothy Campbell February 21, 1936 at the parsonage of the LaValley Methodist Church in Ionia. Besides his wife he is survived by two sons, Larry (Ruth) Seiler of Saranac and Dwight (June) Seiler of Saranac. He is also survived by six grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a brother Donald. Funeral services were held Thursday at Galilee Baptist Church with Rev. James Frank officiating interment Saranac Cemetery. Contributions can be made to Galilee Baptist Church or American Lung Association.

STUART - Eleanor E. Stuart, 81, formerly of Clarksville, passed away June 29, 1999 at Sentara Nursing Center, Norfolk, VA after a long illness. Born in Alexander, NY she was the widow of Wayne R. Stuart. She graduated from State University of New York, Brockport in 1939. She was a member of the Eastern Star, serving in many capacities in the Clarksville Chapter 414 before transferring to Luce County Chapter 364 in 1978. She was honored with a life membership in the Eastern Star in 1998. She was the

head of the needle craft department at the Ionia County Free Fair for many years and was active in the Ionia County Farm Bureau. She is survived by two sons, Andrew Stuart of Athens, OH and Peter Stuart of Norfolk, VA and his wife, Velma Stuart; two grandchildren Samantha and Wayne Stuart; four brother-in-laws, Hillis Stuart of Portland; Richard Stuart and Donald Stuart and Lester Stuart of Clarksville and one sister-in-law Lois Willison of Saranac and a dear cousin, Evelyn Jackson of Saranac. On August 14 at 2 p.m. A memorial service is planned at Lake Funeral Home of Saranac. Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to: The Society for Progressive Supranuclear Palsy, Inc., John Hopkins Outpatient Center, Suite 5065, 601 N. Caroline St., Baltimore, MD 21287.



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Masonic Lodge/YMCA golf scramble Aug. 7

The Lowell YMCA and the Lowell Masonic Lodge will hold their first golf outing on Aug. 7 at Deer Run Golf Course. Proceeds from the event will support YMCA programs. The shotgun event will start at 8 a.m. There will be door prizes along with prizes for longest drive, closest to the pin and longest putt. There will be two hole-in-one opportunities. Prizes will include the use of a car for a year, courtesy of Wittenbach Olds, Pontiac, GMC, as well as a cash prize, courtesy of Universal Insurance Services, Inc. Lowell Masonic Lodge, co-sponsor of

the event, is a fraternal organization dedicated to making a better life for its members and their families. "The Masonic Lodge welcomes this opportunity to show its financial and material support for the YMCA and its programs for the youth of the community," said Lodge's Keith Stanford. "It is hoped that this event can be a beginning for the Lodge's involvement in an on-going support of those programs that will improve life in Lowell and the surrounding area." The cost of the four-man golf outing is \$50 per person or \$200 for a foursome. Lunch will also be served.



Akers recipient of MEA scholarship

Lowell graduate Katie Akers has a knack for putting herself in exclusive company. She completed four years of high school with a 4.0 grade point average. Akers was tri-valedictorian of her class and now is just one of 19 graduates across the state to be awarded a Michigan Education Scholarship. Akers, one of more than 1,500 students to apply for the scholarship, was awarded \$1,000 toward her psychology degree at Michigan State University. Her outstanding accomplishments in both academic achievement and service earned Akers the scholarship which rewards the best public school students in Michigan. "Katie is extremely deserving of the award. The MEA is proud to have her as a recipient," said MEA member Lanie Rice. "She was the only student in West Michigan to receive this honor." This marked just the third year the MEA has awarded the scholarships.

Tarney graduates from Michigan Freedom Academy

Mindy K. Tarney, of Lowell, graduated from the week-long Michigan Freedom Academy held at Phelps Collins Air National Guard Base near Alpena last Saturday. Minday Tarney, of Lowell, graduated from the week-long Michigan Freedom Academy held at Phelps Collins Air National Guard Base near Alpena last Saturday. Minday Tarney, of Lowell, graduated from the week-long Michigan Freedom Academy held at Phelps Collins Air National Guard Base near Alpena last Saturday. Minday Tarney, of Lowell, graduated from the week-long Michigan Freedom Academy held at Phelps Collins Air National Guard Base near Alpena last Saturday.



Mindy Tarney greater awareness of the obligation and responsibilities inherent to a free and democratic society. The academy has four

primary objectives: 1) promote a sense of patriotism 2) further the desire to lead 3) enhance one's appreciation for freedom and 4) provide a better understanding of a citizen's civic responsibility. Attendance is limited to approximately 100 high school students that have just completed their junior year, have at least a 3.0 grade-point average, and are active in student leadership and extracurricular activities.

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CITY OF LOWELL, MICHIGAN
Sealed bids will be accepted at the Lowell City Hall, 301 East Main Street, Lowell, Michigan 49331 until Wednesday, July 28, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. where they will be publicly opened and read aloud for the reroofing of 113 Lafayette Street - Phase 2. Please be sure to mark envelope "113 LAFAYETTE REROOF - PHASE 2."
Specifications/blue prints may be secured upon request from the City of Lowell, City Hall, 897-8457. Estimated time of start and completion of project must accompany bid. Contractor is responsible to secure appropriate permits. If there are any questions about the project, please contact Dan DesJarden at 897-5929.

The City of Lowell reserves the right to reject any or all bids and also the right to waive any formal defects in bids when deemed in the best interest of the City. Further, the City reserves the right to accept a bid higher than the lowest bid, if the City's interest will be better served.

GARAGE SALE
Antique metal bed, toddler bed, couch, chair, TV, stained glass equip. & windows, boys clothes, toys, lots of misc. 3688 Oak Meadow Lane, 36th & Alden Nash. Fri. & Sat., July 16 & 17. 10-6 p.m.

GARAGE SALE FRI ONLY
July 16. Big Sale, 3 homes together. Home accessories, baby items & household items. Take Thornapple River Dr. to Buttrick to Jonathan Woods. Follow the signs.

CAVANAUGH'S ANNUAL SALE
July 14 - 16, 9-5 p.m. 9189 60th St. SE, Alto. From Little Tikes to furniture & everything in between. Rain or shine.

MOVING SALE
Everything must go, Thurs., Fri. & Sat., July 15, 16 & 17, 9-6 p.m. at 10968 Vergennes, between Ada & Lowell. Antiques, large new sofa, lamps, tables, chests, wall hangings, pictures, oil lamps, dishes, glassware, humidifier, dehumidifier, piano, stereo speakers, home interiors, baskets, suitcases, owl collection, bookshelves, large stove hood, large packmaster for motorhome storage & too many items to list.

CHILDREN'S MOVING SALE
Clothes, infant-adult, toys, Beanie Babies, double stroller, houseware, misc. July 16, 9-1 p.m. 4949 Quiggle. No checks!

GARAGE SALE
Cleaned out the closets & extra stuff. Fri., July 16, 9-5 & Sat., July 17, 9-1 p.m. 12080 Gee Dr.

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Fri., 16th, 9-4 & Sat. 17th, 9-1 p.m. Everything priced to go, something for everyone, 3230 Segwun.

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July 16, 17, 18, 9-2. Everything from A-Z, 10336 Bailey Dr., (next to Shady Acres).

MOVING & GARAGE SALE
Oak king bedroom suite, new mattress & springs, large dresser w/2 mirrors, & wardrobe, chest, lg. gas grill w/side burner, & 2 bottles & cover, porch table & 4 chairs, 6 ft. artificial Christmas tree, 2 rocker recliners, 3 stalls in garage full, dishes, clothes, tools, fabric, linens, etc. 323 Sherman, Thurs. & Fri. July 15 & 16, 9-5.

GARAGE SALE
329 N. Jackson, Sat., July 17, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Household items, furniture, glassware, exercise equip., clothing & all sorts of shoes.

GARAGE SALE
Sat. July 10 & Sun July 11, 9-3 Exercise equipment, womens clothing 6-12, English & Western riding boots, womens shoes 6 1/2-7, childrens clothes, coats, sizes infants-4T, dishes, pans, fax machine, kids toys, gas grill, strollers, vacuums, golf equipment, down hill skis. 889 Hillside Ct.

GARAGE SALE
141 Tia Trail, 3 miles N. of Lowell, off Flat River Dr. Tools, exercise equip., toys, household items, sports equip., clothes (kids-adult) & lots more. 1 Day only! Fri., July 16, 9-5.

SALE
July 17 & 18, 9-5 p.m. Antiques, furniture, horse tack, golf cart, some clothes, glassware. 2511 Honey Creek NE.

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Sat., July 17, 9-4 p.m. 3550 Segwun. A little of this & a lot of that. Women's & Jr. girls, size 5-8. Cancel if rain.

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JUNE SMILE OF THE MONTH:

NAME:.....Josh Flier
AGE:.....6 years old
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HOBBIES.....Legos, riding his bike, Calvin & Hobbs comic books, roller skating & swimming

Josh receives a prize for his great checkup.

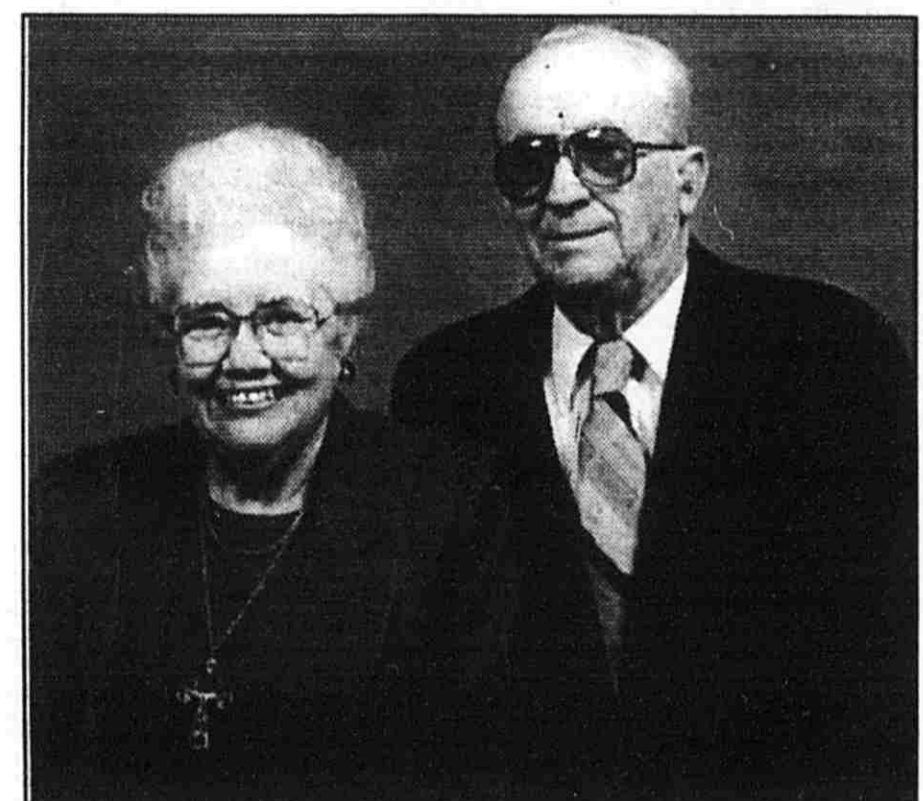
June "No Cavities" Club Members

Josh Flier	Brandon Lee	Dylan Moore
Eric Weiler	Brianne Roth	Doug Hartley
Rebecca Kempker	Mattie Newman	Nicki Baker
Stephanie Kempker	Tanya Baker	Jeffry Baker
Carolyn Affholter	Robbie Gleason	Renee Hankins
Amanda Bourcier	Larry Gallimore	Catlin Baker
Andrew Perry	Melanie Homrich	Joseph Sadiak
Carissa Flier	Anna Flier	Anna Boeve
Kylieh Newman	Benjamin Ludema	Brian Miller
Cameron Fosburg	Brooke Fosburg	Hannah Gregg
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Thalers observe 60th wedding anniversary

Orion and Lila (Smith) Thaler, of Lowell, recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a family gathering. They were married June 29, 1939, at the former Leighton



Orion and Lila Thaler

Evangelical United Brethren Church of Wayland, now the Leighton United Methodist Church.

Both were long-time educators in the Lowell Area Schools, retiring in 1974. Mr. Thaler taught high school chemistry, physics and general science, while Mrs. Thaler taught first grade and later was a reading specialist.

They are the parents of five children: Robert (Diane) of Saginaw, David (Carolyn) of Lowell, Suzanne Jentoft of Plainwell, Stephen (Linda) of Kent City, and Jerald (Janet) of Pinckney. They also have 17 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JULY 15: Mari Stone, Kyle Aksamitowski, Joyce VanDyke, Keenan Hacker

JULY 16: James Stanley Smith

JULY 17: Vicki VanDerWarf, Ken Willmarth, Marian Mayou

JULY 18: Dianne Scalon, Bette Phillips Haybarker

JULY 19: Bob Elzinga, Samantha Mooney, Danielle Rittersdorf

JULY 20: Cara Thaler, David Thaler III, Maureen Pawloski, Beth Berry.

JULY 21: Dara Anchors, Stephanie Wade, Carolyn Mercer, Jeff Gurney, Kelly Tulecki

Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce's Market Days, Aug. 6 & 7

The Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the 2nd Annual Street Market Days. We need flea and farm marketers, crafters, people who just want to clean out their treasures and have no space to with it. This street market will give you an opportunity to turn your junk into cash. We have the space for you on our recently reconstructed sidewalks in beautiful downtown historic Lowell.

Street Market Days will be held Friday, August 6 and Saturday, August 7, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Rent you 8'x16 spot

Sharp and Blake to exchange vows in Aztec Piper vows

David Wayne Sharp and Laura Joyce Blake will be joined in marriage Wednesday July 14, 1999, at the Lowell City Airport, hangar number one.

The wedding will be performed by William F. Thompson, mayor of Lowell, in an Aztec Piper while circling the airport. Blessings and refreshments will follow in the hangar.



David Keith Richards Jr. and Kathryn Rayann Rooker

Rooker and Richards to wed Sept. 18

Kathryn Rayann Rooker and David Keith Richards Jr., will unite in marriage on September 18, 1999.

The bride-to-be of Lowell, is the daughter of David and Dru Ann Rooker, also of Lowell. She is a 1996 Lowell High School graduate and a 1998 graduate of Grand Rapids Community College.

The future groom, of Grandville, is the son of David Richards Sr., also of Grandville and Mary Richards of Rockford.

He is a 1994 graduate of Eaton Rapids High School and a 1998 graduate of Grand Rapids Community College.

Viewpoint . . .



Cozy corner by Roger Brown

I kinda like mowing lawn. It seems to be good therapy for me. I can go reasonably brain-dead and just ride the mower. So, it's a good thing I have more grass to cut than any one person could possibly hope to keep up with. I need the therapy of riding the mower because I'm stressed over all that grass growing out of control.

I don't own any of this grass. Because my son works construction and is on the road a lot, I have assumed the responsibility of cutting the grass at his place. It's an old farm and the area put to grass must be approaching four acres. Not only is it large, there are numerous obstacles to mow around. Besides the house there are dozens of trees, 350 feet of fence, two barns, four other out buildings, a corral, the driveway, flower beds, etc. It's a monster. It takes about five hours of hard riding on a 48-inch cut mower to knock it all down. Then there is an hour's worth of trimming to be done. Don't ask me why, but I like doing it. Guess that's why I'm not into rocket science or brain surgery. Lack of smarts.

Then there is my hangar. I don't own it, but again, I have assumed the responsibility for mowing around it. That can mean anything. I can mow five feet around it, or five hundred feet. It sits out in the middle of the airport and I can get all the mowing therapy I want. I am truly blessed. Or, at least I've convinced myself that I am.

What isn't therapeutic about all this is the junk equipment

I'm running. I have the big old antique Wheelhorse tractor with a 48-inch mower deck that I have struggled to keep running for years. A major creak in the power takeoff broke and forced us to relegate the old beast to use simply as a tug. I know I spent as much time wrenching on that old thing as I ever did mowing with it. Talk about blessings. Having that part break was probably the best thing to happen to me lately.

My favorite mower, an old Simplicity Sunrunner I bought used years ago, is unfortunately in the shop. This near-antique mower has a 42-inch front mount deck a 12 horsepower engine and rear-wheel steering that allows for easy trimming around trees. Again, she's old and I have to work on it a lot, but when she's running - she is a great mower. The Simplicity is in for an engine rebuild. The mechanic seems to think it might have something to do with the fact no oil showed on the dipstick when I brought it in. Whoops.

That put me out of the mower business. Out of desperation I purchased a used tractor and mower. It has 18 horsepower and sports a 46-inch deck. It isn't all that old, it's in pretty good condition and best of all, the price was right. However, it is one of those entry level models that you see on sale at the grocery store. My gut feeling is it won't last more than a season or two of the hard use it's getting. However, I am checking the oil regularly. Maybe I'll be pleasantly surprised. And, if pigs had wings...

So, all this grass to cut and the abundance of mechanical problems has put me in the market for a new mower. If you think you suffered some sticker shock the last time you bought a car... try some of these big mowers. Emergency rooms could throw away their electric defibrillator and simply show patients the price tag on a 60-inch cut, front mount commercial mower. That'd bring a straight-line heart attack victim right up off the gurney.

Of course, I have a champagne appetite and a beer pop-ebook. My old man has told me that for years. Believe it or not,

a person can spend up to \$15,000.00... even more, on a top of the line commercial mower. At the risk of sounding like an old poop, I built my first house for less than that, lot and all. The ones I've looked at that even begin to meet my criteria, start at about \$7,000.00. That is well beyond the limits of my mad money reserves. And, even though I've been heard to boast that I have money I haven't even borrowed yet, I'm still not stepping to the window for that kinda dough.

I guess I'll keep nursing along my low-end, antique equipment. Somehow I'll try to justify the fact I can't afford a new mower by being thankful for all the extra therapy I'm getting because it takes twice as long to mow everything with my old stuff.



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

125 YEARS AGO IN THE WEEKLY JOURNAL - JULY 15, 1874

The approved treatment for potato bugs is paris green (arsenic compound).

"Hubbardston, Muir and other fast towns, indulged in shooting and stabbing affrays the 4th."

A woman's suffrage meeting will be held at Train's Hall tomorrow evening. Miss Matilda Hindman of Pennsylvania will be the speaker. She will also speak at Bowne Center next Wednesday.

The premium list of the Eighteenth Annual Fair of the Ionia County Agricultural Society has been received by the editor.

The M.E. Church receives a new tin roof on the bellry; now it needs the bell.

128 YEARS JULY 12, 1871 (replacing the missing 1899 issue)

"A number of incendiary fires has occurred in Paris recently, showing that the Communists are not suppressed."

Dedication exercises of the new Catholic Church at Grattan were well-attended on the sixth.

Merchants don't want a railing between the new sidewalk and the bridge, but the editor suggests that a light railing might keep horses off the sidewalk.

He also asks that the bellringer for the Congregational Church ring it at the same time each Sunday.

75 YEARS AGO IN THE LOWELL LEDGER AND ALTO SOLO - JULY 10, 1924

Lowell businessmen sponsor a free chautauqua for Saturday afternoon and evening.

Lowell's tiny school District #9 votes against joining District #1, which would give 8-10 pupils the advantages of the larger school. Reason given is prejudice from past ill-feeling.

Only 3 accidents in more than 10,000 flights from Santa Monica's Clover air field show that flying is safer than driving.

427 high schools in Michigan are now accredited by the University of Michigan.

Lowell churches are holding many revivals, bible schools and special classes for the summer.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JULY 14, 1949

In older days the Grand Rapids Boat and Canoe Club used to paddle to Lowell one day a year, then drift back to Grand Rapids, mentions the editor.

Talent Scout night for the Lowell Showboat will be this Saturday, sponsored by the American Legion.

Many softball teams are competing at Recreation Park-three games a week. The Lowell postoffice just had its biggest quarter ever, says Acting PM Mabel Bibbler: \$65,364.03

25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER-SUBURBAN LIFE - JULY 11, 1974

The old Consumers Power dam north of Lowell is in process of repair and the water level will be raised this week.

Lowell Day will include an ox roast, canoe race, boat parade and Amateur Night this Saturday.

Lowell Township prepares for an open house at the new township hall on Alden Nash.

Showboat Garden Club receives a second award for one of the best flower shows in its district.

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Cook will celebrate their **50th Anniversary** on July 23, 1999

An open house will be held in their honor on **SUNDAY, JULY 25 at 918 LINCOLN LAKE • 1-4 PM**

No gifts please

AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

<p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LOWELL 621 E. Main Street • 897-5936</p> <p>Worship.....8:30 A.M. Koinonia.....9:30 A.M. Worship.....10:00 A.M.</p> <p>REV. B. GORDON BARRY Nursery & child care available at both services Barrier - Free Entrance</p>	<p>EMMAUS LUTHERAN E.L.C.A. New Location: Kettle Lake School Whitneyville Rd at Garbow, Alto just south of 68th St.</p> <p>Bill Brandner - Pastor 897-1584 WORSHIP: Sunday Worship 9:30 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45 A.M. Church office 956-6695</p>	<p>CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER (Assembly of God) 3050 Alden Nash SE • 897-1100 Nursery for Every Service Robert W. Holmes, Pastor Jonathan Walker, Youth Pastor</p> <p>SUNDAYS: Morning Worship : 10:30 a.m. Sunday Night Alive: 6:00 p.m. WEDNESDAYS: Family Night: (for All Ages) 7-8 p.m.</p>	<p>CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH OF LOWELL Rev. William J. Renkema - 897-7060 1151 West Main Street, Lowell, MI Morning Worship.....10:00 A.M. Sunday School.....11:20 A.M. Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M. Nursery available at both services Barrier-Free</p>	<p>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH 10305 Bluewater Highway (Missouri Synod) Halfway between Lowell & Saranac on M-21 www.iserv.net/~goodshep Sunday School.....9:00 A.M. Sunday Worship.....10:00 A.M. (Nursery available) Wednesday Evening.....7:00 P.M. Joseph Fremer, Pastor 897-8307 All facilities are wheelchair accessible</p>	<p>LOWELL CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 201 N. Washington • 897-8800 Sunday School.....10:00 A.M. Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M. Sunday Evening.....6:00 P.M. Wednesday Family Ministry.....7:00 P.M.</p> <p>TIMOTHY E. HARMON, Minister Staffed Nursery Provided Barrier-Free Entrance</p>
<p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL 2275 West Main Street • 897-7168 Internet: http://www.fbclowell.org Rev. Burland Margesson & Rev. W. Lee Taylor Sun. Worship Service. 9:30 A.M. & 6:00 P.M. Sunday School Hour.....11:00 A.M. AWANA/JV.....Wed. 6:15 & 7 P.M. Contact Church Office For Prayer Meeting Times Nursery Provided • Barrier Free A Family Friendly Fellowship</p>	<p>ALTON BIBLE CHURCH Lincoln Lake Ave. at 3 Mile Road 897-5648</p> <p>Sunday School.....10:00 A.M. Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M. Evening Praise.....6:00 P.M. Wednesday AWANA.....7:00 P.M. (Sept. - April) Prayer and Bible Study.....7:00 P.M. Pastor Ken Ford (Home) 897-6418 YOU ARE WELCOME!</p>	<p>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL (United Church of Christ) 404 North Hudson • 897-5906</p> <p>Worship and Church School.....9:00 A.M. Dr. Roger LaWare.....Pastor Cindy Talcott.....Christian Ed Director Meghan Culver.....Music Director Barrier-Free.....Nursery Provided</p>	<p>ADA-LOWELL 5 M-21 5 Minutes East of Amway H.Q. 897-1351 ONLY \$3.75 Matinee before 6 pm. Kids, Seniors, & Everyone all day Tuesday \$4.00 with Student ID after 6pm \$4.00 Late Shows Fri & Sat DIGITAL STEAD No passes or Tuesday discounts Unlimited Free Drink Refills & 25¢ Corn Refills</p> <p>MOVIE GUIDE ALL SEATS ARE HIGH BACK ROCKERS</p> <p>OWILD, WILD WEST (PG13) DIGITAL 10:50 12:50 2:50 4:50 7:00 9:10 OMUPPETS FROM SPACE (G) DIGITAL 11:40 1:20 3:15 5:15 7:20 9:20 TARZAN (G) 11:15 1:00 3:00 5:00 7:00 9:00 BIG DADDY (PG13) 11:30 1:30 3:30 5:30 7:30 9:30 AMERICAN PIE (R) 11:00 1:10 3:10 5:10 7:40 9:40</p> <p>COUPON ONE FREE 46OZ POPCORN MEASURED BY VOLUME, NOT WEIGHT! WITH THIS AD EXPIRES 8/5/99 LL HIT OUR WEB @ www.gqbt.com</p>		

Health With Drs. Paul Gauthier, Jim Lang & Kevin Miller.

GOUT
Gout is a disease that comes about when there is too much uric acid in a specific joint in the body. When uric acid enters a joint it can form crystals which cause pain in the joint. Gout usually begins very abruptly. It may start at night, and the most frequent joint affected is the big toe. The joint becomes red, swollen, feels hot, and is very tender. Other joints (knee, ankle, hands) may be involved, but not as commonly as the big toe.

Joan Wittenbach's BOOK REVIEW

There are some days when I actually sit down and think about it - it being the marvel of books. I am astounded by the many books that come into my home in a month. "How can this be?" I muse. Now I know, I am on the look out for books. Book reviewers have antennae for their occupation. But it amazes me how people send books to me, buy books for me and recommend them as well.

Author Julie Cameron encouraging her students in the art of writing says, "The willingness to face the page brings with it the willingness to face the music. Sometimes the music is a heart-cradling waltz. Sometimes that music is modern and discordant. Whatever the music is, it is what we are dancing to that day." What a great thought put to the love of books.

Did you ever think of the books you read as having music in them? Cameron goes on: "Although we may not pause to acknowledge it, there is a rhythm that runs through our days, and the rhythm can be chaotic or steady, choppy or soothing, strident or smooth. By consciously listening to our daily music, we put ourselves in harmony with reality." Oh, how full of

Editors Note: In the July 7 edition of the Ledger, the author of the Sharing the Vision article was incorrectly identified as Lowell Area Schools Superintendent Bert Bleke. The column was written by Lowell School Board President Pete Gustafson.

life her words are! "Reality," she continues, "happens in daily doses. Life lived a day at a time is life made much of."

I am wondering, right now as I write, if that last statement is what makes the difference in people we meet, and the people who we are. We look so far down the road of life with our goals and desires, our hopes and dreams that we don't think about life in the daily doses, our life - just one day at a time. Our days don't seem to be "made much of." There is no music. Same-o, same-o as so many tell me.

If there aren't real people in your life, people who add their music to yours when you feel you've lost your song, oh, please - go find a book. There is a special song - just for you! It can come in any shape. Your song can be for a child, a young adult or for a more mature reader. I can guarantee that somewhere in a sentence, a paragraph, a chapter there will be a song for you.

Letters, Letters, Letters, Letters...

The Lowell Ledger welcomes all "Letters to the Editor" for publication on its "Viewpoint" page. Letters can be typed or written. However, we ask that they do not exceed one written page or one typed, double-spaced page. "Letters to the Editor" should be sent to the Lowell Ledger, 105 N. Broadway, P.O. Box 128, Lowell, MI 49331.

Editing may be necessary for space, clarity and to avoid obscenity, libel or invasion of privacy.

The Lowell Ledger thanks you in advance for your cooperation.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF
CITY COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF LOWELL

For the Regular Meeting of MONDAY, JUNE 21, 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 and Police Chief James Valentine.

IT WAS MOVED BY BLOUGH and seconded by SHORES that the regular meeting of the June 7, 1999 meeting be approved as corrected.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES 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 (06/21/99)

GENERAL FUND	\$79,146.63
MAJOR STREET FUND	116.25
LOCAL STREET FUND	155.74
DDA FUND	604.08
WASTEWATER FUND	28,153.72
WATER FUND	6,253.83
DATA PROCESSING FUND	9,023.00
EQUIPMENT FUND	1,131.95
LEE FUND	679.37

Item #1. PRESENTATION OF THE STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS. As part of the goals adopted by the City Council last Spring, a State of the City address was presented by City Manager Pasquale. He believed the address would lead to achieving the goals and visions for the future.

The address read as follows:

State of the Union addresses gives an opportunity for the President to provide the country a barometer, a pulse of where we are. What are our strengths and weaknesses? Where are the challenges? What is our vision for the future?

Such communications are also given by our Governor and major institutions and corporations. While the City of Lowell is not massive in terms of our size, the issues facing this community are indeed challenging. Thus, it is very appropriate I submit to you the first State of the City address.

First, how is the City doing? Very well!! Lowell is blessed being a part of a vibrant West Michigan economy. Over the past six years, the City has averaged 78 building permits per year providing an investment of almost 18 million dollars to the community during that time. Additionally, the City's taxable property value has risen from 76.4 million dollars in 1994 to 82.2 million dollars this year or a 21% increase in six years. Growth can easily be seen on the West Main Street commercial corridor, numerous homes with improvement projects and several industrial upgradings over these past years.

With this growth comes the challenges of this City to meet new demands for infrastructure, particularly streets and utilities. Finding revenues for necessary improvements will become a formidable task. Further, State revenue sharing for roads has not been at levels necessary to meet growth demands.

The City's downtown district contains many buildings from the previous turn of the century and earlier in need of restoration and renovation. This includes City Hall and the Police Station, which is in great need of added space.

With the greater demands for more park and recreation facilities from the Lowell area, the City must find cooperative means with the Lowell Area Schools as well as Lowell Charter and Vergennes Townships to meet the growth.

With these challenges, the City has the following goals for the coming year:

Pursue the necessary property acquisition and bonding for the renovation of the City Hall and expansion to accommodate a Police station addition. This will not only provide needed space but give impetus toward a renovated Central Business District.

Initiate bonding for Downtown Development Authority improvement projects. Over the past several years, the DDA has financed streetscape improvement which have dramatically changed the downtown. A new round of improvements totalling \$ 1.3 million dollars will provide upgraded off-street parking, added street lighting and riverfront projects.

Continue to support the Downtown Historic District Commission's efforts to preserve and upgrade downtown buildings. With \$90,000 received from the Lowell Area Community Fund (Engelhardt Trust) to finance restorations as a match, a greater incentive to provide necessary repairs has been given.

Provide a street and sidewalk master plan. A layout of priorities will give the City and its citizens guidance where necessary improvements are to be made.

Seek cooperation with the Lowell Area Schools and Lowell Charter and Vergennes Townships to construct a new community swimming facility. After a year of research, a \$6.9 million dollar swimming pool attached to Lowell Middle School has been proposed. With funding assistance from the Lowell Area Community Fund given, the pool can become a reality with a cooperative agreement from the jurisdictions identified. Further, joint efforts on parks and recreation could be realized in the future.

While projects have been mentioned in our goals, the City must never forget its service to the citizens. It is best summarized through the City's vision statement recently adopted by the City Council:

VISION

Lowell...A friendly city of caring people
Who work with each other and our
neighboring communities
To nurture our small town character and
maintain quality services while
preparing for controlled growth.

With our strong sense of community
We address both opportunities and challenges
That leads us into a hopeful future.

Item #2. REZONING - 1.38 ACRES ON THE NORTH SIDE OF BOWES EAST OF VALLEY VISTA - PETER ODLAND - FROM GENERAL BUSINESS (C-3) TO LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (LI) RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION - PUBLIC HEARING. Representing Peter Odland of White's Bridge Tooling, Gary Jensen was present to discuss the rezoning of 1.38 acres immediately east of the business. He stated the company is looking toward the future and would wish to expand on the adjacent lot at some point. Jensen noted a letter was submitted from Curtis Cleaners supporting the zoning amendment.

Pasquale mentioned after conducting a public hearing at its May 24, 1999 meeting, the Planning Commission unanimously recommended adoption of the zoning amendment. Councilmember Myers questioned what business was next to the proposed lot. Jensen responded Arctic Heating and Cooling.

Councilmember Shores believed White's Bridge Tooling has been a good neighbor and the property is kept up very attractively.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by MYERS to rezone the 1.38 acres on the north side of Bowes east of Valley Vista from General Business (C-3) to Light Industrial (LI).
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Councilmember Green questioned when an updated zoning map would be completed. Pasquale responded in the near future.

Item #3. ORDINANCE AMENDMENT REGARDING ENFORCEMENT OF DISHONORED CHECKS PUB-

LIC HEARING. Police Chief James Valentine stated last year, the City enacted an ordinance giving the Lowell Police Department local authority to enforce dishonored checks of \$ 50 or less. During that time, the County prosecutor's office set a threshold for prosecution of checks of at least \$50. This ordinance was requested to assist local merchants with the offender. The prosecutors have now raised the threshold to \$100, in accordance with new State legislation. Valentine requested the City of Lowell's ordinance also be updated.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by GREEN to adopt an amendment to the ordinance reflecting that the City has jurisdiction to enforce dishonored checks less than \$100, which was previously less than \$50.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #4. ACCESS AGREEMENT FOR INSTALLATION OF GROUND WATER DIFFUSER SYSTEM AT RECREATION PARK TABLED FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING. Jim Tolbert of Earth Tech was present to discuss the installation of the ground water diffuser system at the south end of Recreation Park on behalf of Glen Springs Holdings, Inc. which was tabled at the October 19, 1998 meeting.

Pasquale stated brine has built up in the Grand River from the old OXY-USA site located at the southeast corner of South Division and Grand River Roads. Because the brine is heavier than the water, Tolbert noted this is sinking to the bottom of the river. The brine has been traveling along the clay bottom of the river and has currently hit a ridge by Hudson Street. Earth Tech has proposed the installation of a purge well east of Hudson Street and a second one where the Flat River enters into the Grand River. Tolbert said a permit has been received from the State of Michigan allowing the water to be directly discharged back into the Grand River.

Mayor Thompson asked why the brine had to be removed. Tolbert responded at this time, the brine is not doing much damage. However, eventually it could cause damage to the municipal well system, which supplies the City's drinking water. Thompson questioned if the wildlife would be affected. Tolbert stated the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has indicated there would be no harm done.

Councilmember Blough questioned if City Attorney Richard Wendt had reviewed the agreement. Pasquale responded yes.

Blough asked if the City would be held responsible for damages. Pasquale responded the City would not be held accountable. He noted the questions of ownership on the property during the duration of the agreement and landscaping issues have been addressed in the proposal. Pasquale stated the City has reviewed a ten-year agreement with a renewal period of an additional five years. He added the agreement could be terminated as long as the firm is in compliance and the property is fully restored.

Pasquale said Miller Springs Remediation Management, Inc. who will undertake the work, shall indemnify, defend and hold the City harmless from all liability. He added the two purge well sites would be fenced and landscaped. The sites would not interfere with the expansion of the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Glen Springs Remediation would pay the City \$1,500 per year, in recognition of the agreement.

Thompson asked if Earth Tech was overseeing the entire project. Tolbert responded the company is currently under contract as operator for two years.

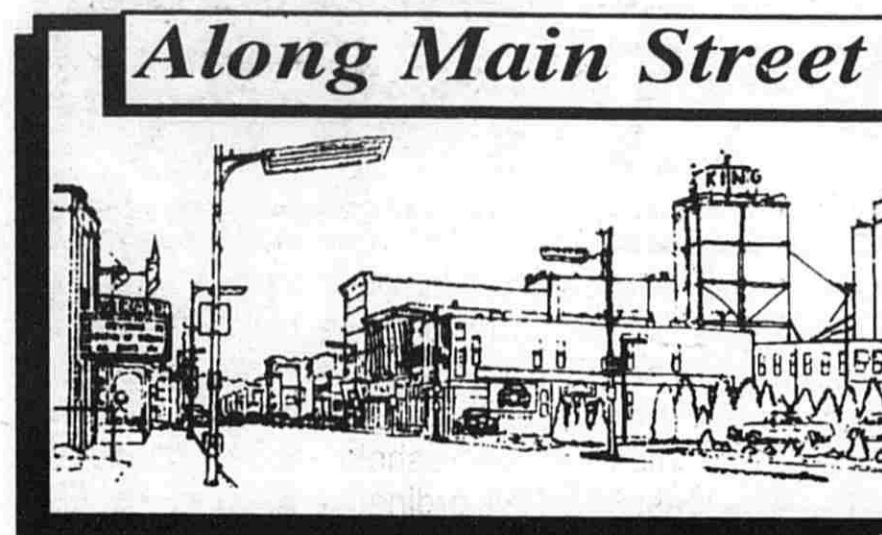
Thompson inquired if Earth Tech have cleaned any contaminated areas. Tolbert responded yes.

Councilmember Myers questioned the cause of the salt buildup. Tolbert responded the bottom of the river consists of clay, which has created a ridge. The salt water has made it to this ridge causing more density.

Myers asked if this was the only resolution to the problem. Tolbert believed it was the most productive resolution.

Myers questioned if Tolbert felt the problem would subside in the future. Tolbert was hopeful the chloride levels would decrease as the brine was pumped out.

Blough inquired if the original source of the contaminat-



9. Admission is \$3 per person. Middle school and high school ID is required. Bring your friends and join in the fun!

LHS CLASS OF 1994 REUNION SCHEDULED
The Lowell High School Class of 1994 is having their five-year reunion on Saturday, Aug. 7 at 8 p.m. at the 54th Street Lounge. (Cost \$3 per person). If you haven't received an invitation, call Deb Wieland for more information at (616) 242-9948.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

tion had been removed. Tolbert responded yes.

Thompson asked how the problem occurred. Tolbert stated there was a trucking service east of the Grand River, which has caused the problem.

Thompson noted this company would be paying for all of the fees involved in the matter.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to enter into a ten year agreement with Miller Springs Remediation Management, Inc. allowing the installation of a diffuser system at the south end of Recreation Park.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #5. CONSIDERATION OF LAND DONATION (4.2 ACRE PARCEL ABUTTING THE CONFLUENCE OF THE GRAND AND FLAT RIVERS) FROM MR. & MRS. DONALD K. MILLER. Mr. & Mrs. Donald K. Miller of Grand Rapids wish to donate a 4.2 acre parcel on the east side of the Flat - Grand Rivers confluence to the City of Lowell. The property is located predominantly within the floodway, and thus development opportunities are minimal. Further, there is a potential for trails and passive recreation development.

Pasquale stated he spoke with two Parks and Recreation Commissioners who have expressed their support for the property. He noted the property is not being used at this time.

Green believed this was a great deal, stating the City would own all of the shoreline from east of the Division Street bridge to the Hudson Street bridge. He noted the City also owns up to the railroad on both sides of the Flat River.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by BLOUGH to accept a land donation of 4.2 acres on the east side of the Flat - Grand Rivers confluence from Mr. & Mrs. Donald K. Miller of Grand Rapids.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #6. AUTHORIZATION OF TRANSFERRING GENERAL FUND REVENUES TO THE MAJOR AND LOCAL STREET FUNDS. In order to comply with the Michigan Department of Transportation regulations, administrative costs from Act 51 State shared transportation revenue may not exceed 10%. During the 1997-98 fiscal year, this was exceeded in the Major Street Fund by \$569 and \$2,198 in the Local Street Fund. Thus, a General fund transfer is necessary to compensate these funds.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to authorize the transfer of General Fund revenues to the Major Street Fund of \$569 and \$2,198 in the Local Street Fund for the 1997-98 fiscal year.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

He mentioned the City currently has a contract with Denny's Disposal. The company has a leaf pickup program along with trash collection. Denny's also

STREET MARKET DAYS

LACC needs Flea & Farm marketers, crafters, people who just want to clean out their treasures and have no space to go with it. We have the spot on Lowell's sidewalks, Aug. 6 and 7. Call Linda at Lowell Bed & Linen for more information, 897-7447.

School district and Chartwells reach a one-year agreement

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

The Lowell School Board, at its June meeting, voted to accept Chartwells bid to manage the Lowell Area Schools' food service program.

The board took the next step, Monday night, in approving a one-year contract for the 1999-2000 school year. "Actually it's a four-year contract, but there is a renewal clause at the end of each year," said Connie Gillette, assistant superintendent for finance and personnel. The contract also has a 60-day cancellation notice clause in case either side wants out.

TRY-OUTS FOR LAAC FALL PLAY
Lowell Area Arts Council's annual fall community play will be William Dalzell's *Father's Been to Mars*. Eleven parts are available (six women, two middle aged men and three teenagers needed).
Try-outs will be held on August 3, 4 or 10 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Lowell Area Arts Council, 149 Hudson.

Chartwells will charge the school district two-and-a-half cents for every meal served.
The school district will reimburse Chartwells for the cost of a food director to run its program.
Chartwells will also bill the district for food and supplies. The budget for this year's food service program will remain at \$900,000.
Gillette said the district expects increased revenues to cover the management fee. She also noted that an amended budget in December will give the district a better picture of its food service revenues and expenditures.

Item #7. PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING BOARD OF CABLE TELEVISION. As discussed at the last meeting, a proposed ordinance amendment had been prepared by City Attorney Richard Wendt to provide the same three members of the Board of Light and Power to serve as the Board of Cable Television.

Pasquale stated if the Council wishes, a public hearing may be established for July 6, 1999 meeting.

Blough wanted to receive the findings of the ad hoc committee regarding the role of the Cable TV Advisory Board before holding a public hearing on the proposed amendment. Councilmember Myers agreed with Blough.

IT WAS MOVED BY BLOUGH and seconded by MYERS to table the proposed ordinance amendment involving the Board of Light and Power serving as the Board of Cable Television until after the ad hoc committee presents a report regarding the role of the Cable TV Advisory Board to the City Council.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item #8. MONTHLY REPORTS. No comments were received from the materials presented.

Item #9. CITIZEN COMMENTS. No comments were received.

Item #10. COUNCIL COMMENTS. Councilmember Green stated the meetings with the Townships and the School District was very good. One meeting involved cooperation on land use and ecology. The other regarded the recreation district and proposed swimming facility. Green asked if the amendments need to be voted by the Council before becoming part of the agreement. Pasquale responded this would be the proper way.

Green commented on the proposed new cable channels through Pay Per View. He stated one of the channels listed was called Spice. After investigating this he discovered it was an adult entertainment channel. He reminded the Cable TV Board regarding the agreement made stating these programs would not be provided.

ITEM #11. MANAGERS REPORT. City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:

- The minutes of the May 12, 1999 Chamber of Commerce meeting were provided.
- In a response regarding an inquiry for City sponsored special trash pickups, Public Works Director Dan DesJarden received prices for trash pickups. He noted the City could provide a five yard dump truck, which carries seven tons of material. The cost of dumping fees would be \$35.00 a ton. The City would also have to pay rental and labor charges, which would cost \$373 for one truck for dumping at a land fill. He noted there is also roll off dumpsters available costing between \$235 - \$450.

provides a special pick up service consisting of a three yard dumpster for \$80 with each additional pickup being \$60. DesJarden also noted couches and recliners could be collected for a fee of between \$15 to \$25 and appliances for \$15. He noted they would not take any item with freon in it.

Mayor Thompson questioned if there was literature available for the residents. DesJarden responded he would request information.

Thompson mentioned a near by city which will drop off a dumpster at a house free of charge if there is much trash. The city believed this type of system worked.

Blough stated programs have been set up in the past where people have volunteered their time for cleaning certain areas. He felt the City was a very good participant in these types of projects. Blough did not believe placing dumpsters in driveways and hauling away at another time would give the right kind of focus needed for a clean up campaign.

Thompson questioned if Kent County had a hazardous program. Pasquale stated items have to be brought to a specific location. Thompson suggested Pasquale contact the County to inquire if a drop site could be placed in Lowell.

3. In observance of Independence Day, the City Offices will be closed on Monday, July 5. The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 6.

Item #12. APPOINTMENTS. Thompson stated there were no appointments at this time.

He mentioned there were vacancies on the Airport Board, Historic District Commission and the Downtown Development Authority.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to adjourn to a Closed Session involving a personnel matter pursuant to Section 8A of the Open meetings Act at 8:10 p.m.
YEA: 5.
NAY: 0.
ABSENT: 0.
MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Thompson noted City Manager Pasquale would be given a 4.5% wage increase and a performance rating of commendable, above average, good performance.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by SHORES to adjourn at 10:10 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: Monday, July 12, 1999

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

MEAP, continued....

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MEAP points for their state foundation buck. East Grand Rapids was first followed by Grandville, Rockford and Lowell.

The formula used, takes the total number of MEAP points earned at the fourth-, fifth-, seventh-, and eighth-grade levels and divides that into the school's state aid foundation grant. The final tally is the cost a district is paying per MEAP point.

Forest Hills, the recipient of the largest student foundation grant (\$6,888) per student, had a combined MEAP point total of 662.

Using the formula, the cost analysis shows the district paid \$10.41 per MEAP point.

The top four schools (based on the amount of money they paid per MEAP point) in the analysis were East Grand Rapids (\$9.27) followed by Grandville (\$9.31), Rockford (\$9.40) and Lowell (\$9.71).

This analysis shows each district's foundation grant as it relates to how well the students did on the MEAP in the fourth-, fifth-, seventh- and eighth-grades.

DISTRICT	4 th MATH	4 th READING	5 th SCIENCE	5 th WRITING	7 th MATH	7 th READING	7 th SCIENCE	7 th WRITING	FOUNDATION	POINTS	\$/POINT
East Grand Rapids	94	83	82	83	94	85	85	90	\$6,262	676	\$9.27
Grandville	91	78	72	80	80	67	31	87	\$5,454	586	\$9.31
Rockford	91	80	81	83	88	72	42	79	\$5,412	578	\$9.40
Lowell	87	72	51	69	88	71	28	97	\$5,462	563	\$9.71
Sparta	80	66	49	65	92	70	46	82	\$5,441	550	\$9.90
Northview	94	78	47	66	80	61	38	77	\$5,462	541	\$10.10
Forest Hills	98	85	67	83	96	85	57	91	\$6,888	662	\$10.41
Godfrey Lee	100	86	75	80	59	44	21	61	\$5,827	526	\$11.08
Kentwood	86	71	55	76	70	55	34	73	\$5,938	520	\$11.42
Kent City	87	75	38	45	77	66	15	69	\$5,399	472	\$11.44
Byron Center	96	82	81	65	85	51	28	71	\$6,283	539	\$11.66
Wyoming	77	61	47	54	88	60	31	83	\$5,634	481	\$11.72
Cedar Springs	77	67	38	61	61	55	21	60	\$5,268	440	\$11.98
Caledonia	88	79	53	77	78	67	38	88	\$6,811	568	\$12.00
Comstock Park	83	66	65	72	71	42	15	59	\$5,876	473	\$12.00
Kenowa Hills	68	61	42	65	67	59	21	70	\$6,005	453	\$13.26
Kelloggsville	75	61	36	48	58	41	11	50	\$5,462	378	\$14.45
Godwin Heights	57	51	34	50	58	57	51	82	\$6,656	440	\$15.13
Grand Rapids	50	38	15	37	38	33	10	52	\$5,743	273	\$21.04
Thornapple Kellogg	77	58	28	60	75	56	37	52	N/A	443	N/A

The formula used, takes the total number of MEAP points earned at the fourth-, fifth-, seventh-, and eighth-grade levels and divides that into the school's state aid foundation grant. The final tally is the cost a district is paying per MEAP point.

LAAC, continued.... From Page 1

3. Professionalizing day-to-day operations by hiring an executive director;
4. Creating a systematic marketing and public relations program;
5. Formalizing program development and evaluation procedures;
6. Conducting a facility evaluation study;
7. Developing a more comprehensive fund development program, and;
8. Being a catalyst in developing programs and services in

collaboration with community organizations.

Leading the art council through the strategic plan was consultant Phil Jenkins.

"The process helped us identify our needs and goals," said LAAC's Chris VanAntwerp.

The LAAC hopes to have a full-time executive director in place by the end of September.

Renovation to the building's facade is scheduled to be completed this summer.

Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission denies Smith special use permit

By Jeffrey Redmond
Contributing Writer

Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission has denied a special use permit for a home based business to continue to operate.

Aquarius Lawn Sprinkling

Inc. on Kissing Rock Road cannot continue to operate under the AG II zoning ordinances.

Randy Smith of 3210 Kissing Rock Road had applied for a special use permit for his seasonal lawn care and

snow plowing operations because of his employment of non-family workers from outside areas. The Planning Commission has stated that it will give Mr. Smith until April 1st of 2000 to relocate his business operations.

Chairman Richard Bryan emphasized that there could be no special use permitted. "He's not operating a family business just by himself. There are too many outside employees and transportation. It simply does not apply in this case," Bryan said.

Clerk Carol Wells pointed out that the township should refund Smith's initial filing fee of \$150, since there would be no further action taken with the special use request. Secretary David Simmonds explained that Smith's Aquarius company has outgrown his neighborhood.

"He's been successful and it's time for him to relocate. It's no longer just a home occupation," Simmonds said.

Vice-Chairman Mark Batchelor opined that the request should have been denied sooner.

"The issue should not have gone this far in the first place, and we owe him an apology," Batchelor said.

Township Supervisor John Timpson was also present at the meeting, and pointed out to the commission that Smith's businesses are not the only ones in the township which are not clearly defined.

"There are many others that are borderline," Timpson said.

The commission decided to give Aquarius an eight month period of time to move, despite objections from some of its neighbors. Paula Blumm of 3152 Kissing Rock Road disagreed with this perceived leniency.

"They should be made to move when this season ends," Blumm said.

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GRATTAN TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING

TUESDAY, JULY 20, 1999 AT 7:30 P.M.

**Grattan Township Hall
12050 Old Belding Road**

At which time and place the following subject will be heard:

Bill Brayant of 11995 Five Mile Road has made application for variance from the Grattan Township Zoning Ordinance Article 4, Section 4.03 and Article 3 Section 3.01, to place an accessory structure in the front yard.

Nugent Builders on behalf of Dan & Terry Byrne of 3129 Bedaki, has made application for variance from Grattan Township Ordinance Section 7 establishing side yard and height requirements.

Don K. Sheppard of 7495 Hallridge has made application for variance from Grattan Township Ordinance Section 7.03 establishing side yard requirements.

Written comments concerning this issue should be received prior to the hearing and addressed to: Al Berry, Grattan Township Zoning Board of Appeals, 12050 Old Belding Road, Belding, MI 48809.

CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE

MEETING OF BOARD OF REVIEW

The Lowell City Board of Review will meet to correct the various Assessment rolls at City Hall, 301 East Main Street, Lowell, Michigan on:

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**William F. Thompson, Mayor
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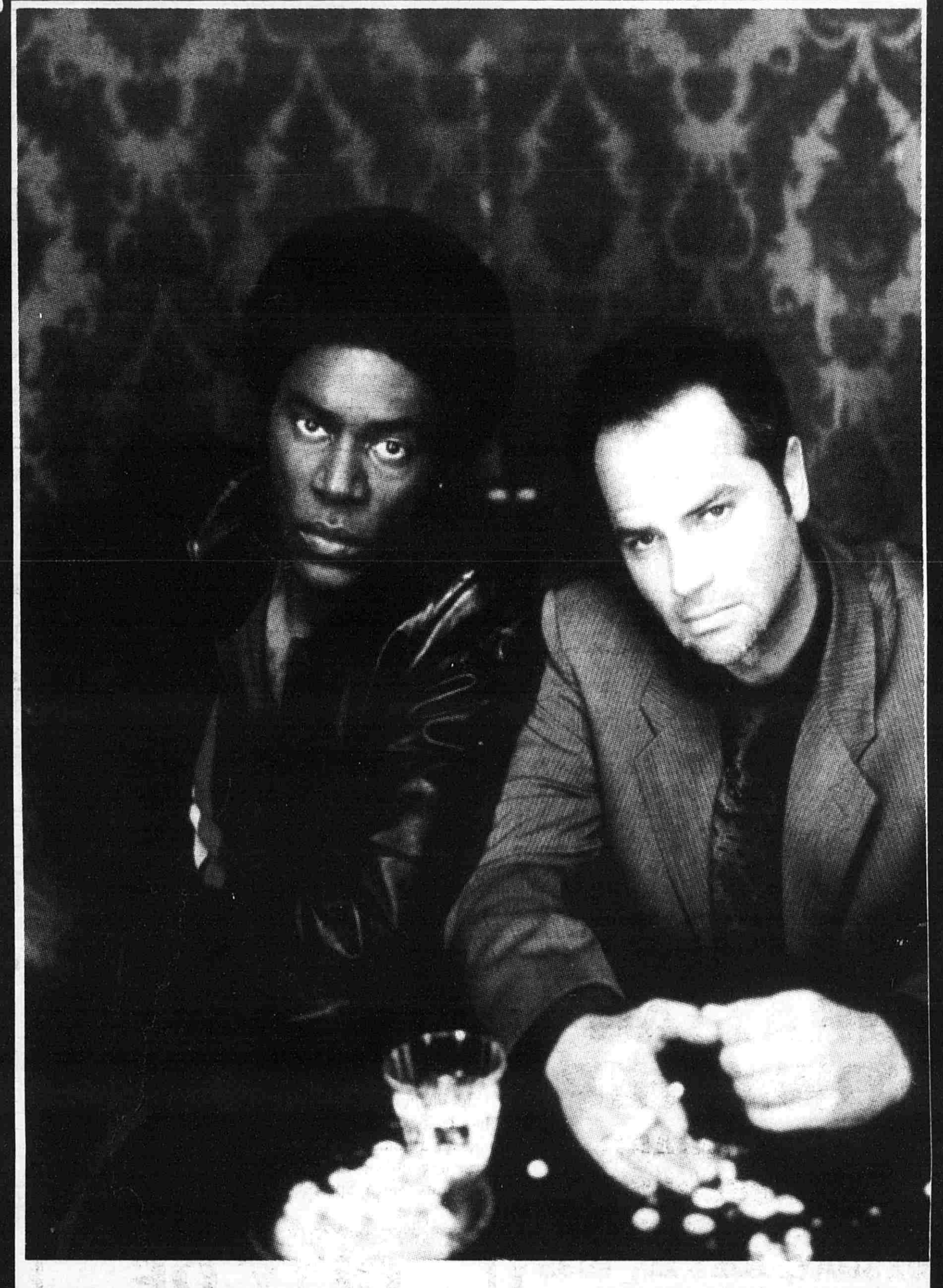
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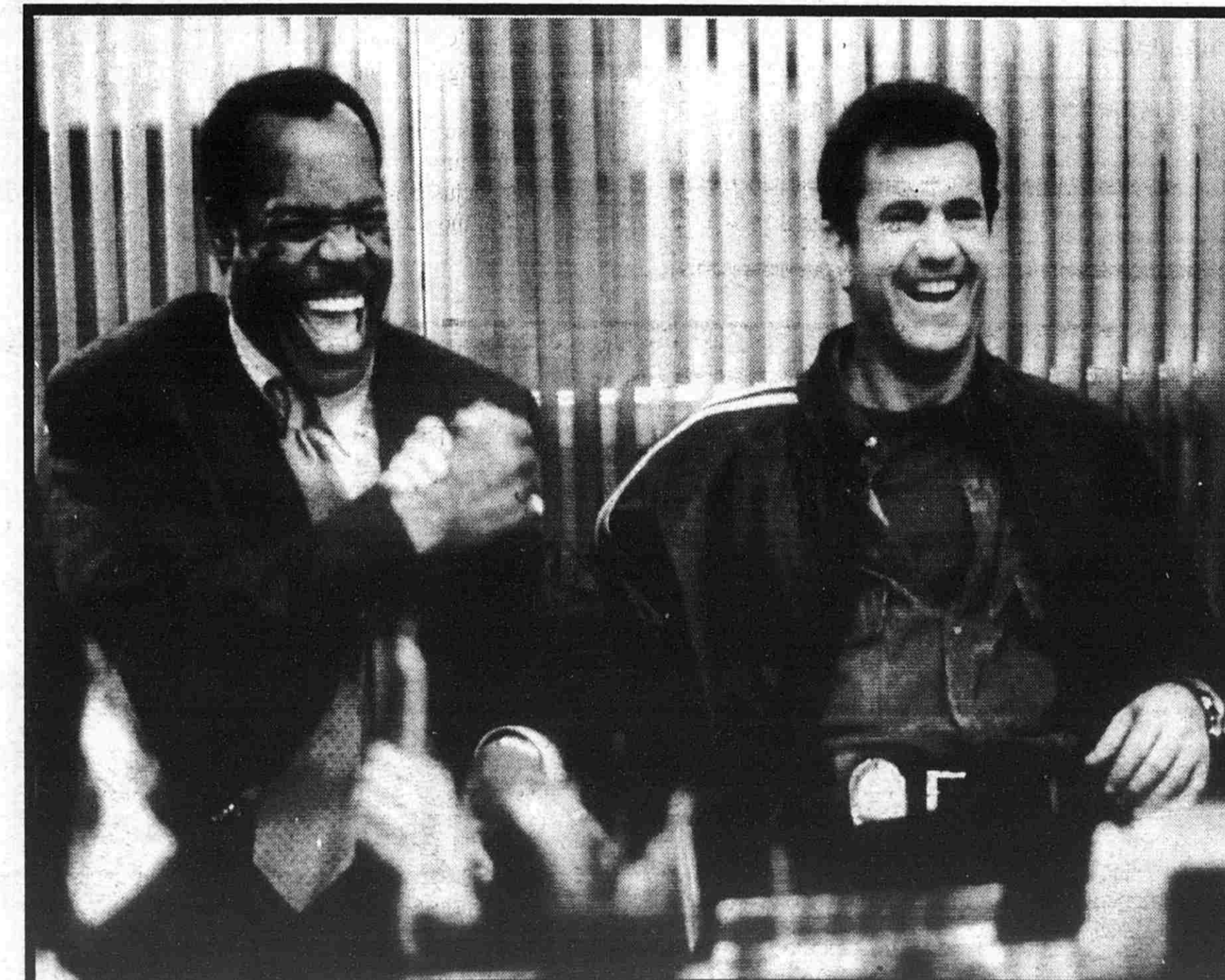
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FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 16 THRU JULY 22

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SATURDAY MORNING JULY 17, 1999. BROADCAST CHANNELS, CABLE CHANNELS, PREMIUM CHANNELS. Includes channels like WWTM, WOTV, WGVU, WXMI, WOOD, WLNS, WILX, WTLJ, WKAR, WZZM, WSYM, WZPX, FX, FAM, MTV, VH1, DISC, WGN, ESPN, CNN, CN2, NICK, A&E, FOXDT, TNT, TBS, DISN, TRAV, TLC, SCIFI, COM, TWC, HIST, AMC, H&G, LIFE, TOON D, MSNBC, CSPAN, EWTN, SHOW, HBO, TMC, MAX.

BASEBALL
WGN Fri. 3:10 p.m. Major League Baseball Minnesota Twins at Chicago Cubs. From Wrigley Field. (Live)
TBS Fri. 7:30 p.m. Major League Baseball Atlanta Braves at New York Yankees. From Yankee Stadium. (Live)
WGN Fri. 8 p.m. Major League Baseball Chicago White Sox at St. Louis Cardinals. From Busch Stadium. (Live)
WSYM Sat. 1 p.m. Major League Baseball Regional Coverage - Atlanta Braves at New York Yankees or Detroit Tigers at Houston Astros. (Live)
WXMI Sat. 1 p.m. Major League Baseball Detroit Tigers at Houston Astros. From the Astrodome. (Live)
WGN Sat. 4 p.m. Major League Baseball Minnesota Twins at Chicago Cubs. From Wrigley Field. (Live)
FX Sat. 8 p.m.; WGN Sat. 8 p.m. Major League Baseball Chicago White Sox at St. Louis Cardinals. From Busch Stadium. (Live)
TBS Sun. 1 p.m. Major League Baseball Atlanta Braves at Toronto Blue Jays. From SkyDome. (Live)
WGN Sun. 2:10 p.m. Major League Baseball Kansas City Royals at Chicago Cubs. From Wrigley Field. (Live)
ESPN Sun. 8 p.m. Major League Baseball New York Mets at Baltimore Orioles. From Oriole Park at Camden Yards. (Live)
TBS Mon. 7 p.m. Major League Baseball Atlanta Braves at Toronto Blue Jays. From SkyDome. (Live)
FOXDT Mon. 7 p.m. Major League Baseball Detroit Tigers at Cincinnati Reds. From Cinergy Field. (Live)
WGN Mon. 8 p.m. Major League Baseball Pittsburgh Pirates at Chicago Cubs. From Wrigley Field. (Live)
TBS Tue. 7 p.m. Major League Baseball Toronto Blue Jays at Cleveland Indians. From Jacobs Field. (Live)

SPORT HIGHLIGHTS

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GOLF
ESPN Fri. 9 a.m. Golf British Open - Second Round. From Carnoustie Golf Course in Angus, Scotland. (Live)
ESPN Fri. 4 p.m. Golf U.S.G.A. Amateur Public Links Second Round. From Alton, Ill. (Live)
WOTV Sat. 10 a.m.; WZZM Sat. 10 a.m. Golf British Open - Third Round. From Carnoustie Golf Course in Angus, Scotland. (Live)
WOOD Sat. 2 p.m.; WILX Sat. 2 p.m. LPGA Golf Big Apple Classic - Third Round. From the Wykagyl Country Club in New Rochelle, N.Y. (Live)
ESPN Sat. 2 p.m. Golf U.S.G.A. Amateur Public Links Final Round. From Alton, Ill. (Live)
WWTM Sat. 4 p.m.; WLNS Sat. 4 p.m. Senior PGA Golf Ameritech Open - Second Round. From Kemper Lakes Country Club in Long Grove, Ill. (Live)
WOTV Sun. 9 a.m.; WZZM Sun. 9 a.m. Golf British Open - Final Round. From Carnoustie Golf Course in Angus, Scotland. (Live)

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SATURDAY EVENING / LATE NIGHT JULY 17, 1999

Table of broadcast channels for Saturday evening/late night, including channels like WWTM, WOVU, WGVU, WXMI, WOOD, WLNS, WILX, WTLJ, WKAR, WZZM, WSYM, and WZPX.

CABLE CHANNELS

Table of cable channels for Saturday evening/late night, including channels like FX, FAM, MTV, VH1, USA, DISC, WGN, ESPN, CNN, CNN2, NICK, A&E, FOXDT, TNT, TBS, DISN, TNM, TRAV, TLC, SCIFI, COM, TWC, HIST, AMC, H&G, LIFE, TOON, MSNBC, and EWTV.

PREMIUM CHANNELS

Table of premium channels for Saturday evening/late night, including SHOW, HBO, TMC, and MAX.

SUNDAY MORNING JULY 18, 1999

Table of broadcast channels for Sunday morning, including channels like WWTM, WOVU, WGVU, WXMI, WOOD, WLNS, WILX, WTLJ, WKAR, WZZM, WSYM, and WZPX.

CABLE CHANNELS

Table of cable channels for Sunday morning, including channels like FX, FAM, MTV, VH1, USA, DISC, WGN, ESPN, CNN, CNN2, NICK, A&E, FOXDT, TNT, TBS, DISN, TNM, TRAV, TLC, SCIFI, COM, TWC, HIST, AMC, H&G, LIFE, TOON, MSNBC, and EWTV.

PREMIUM CHANNELS

Table of premium channels for Sunday morning, including SHOW, HBO, TMC, and MAX.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON JULY 18, 1999

Table of broadcast channels for Sunday afternoon, including channels like WWTM, WOVU, WGVU, WXMI, WOOD, WLNS, WILX, WTLJ, WKAR, WZZM, WSYM, and WZPX.

CABLE CHANNELS

Table of cable channels for Sunday afternoon, including channels like FX, FAM, MTV, VH1, USA, DISC, WGN, ESPN, CNN, CNN2, NICK, A&E, FOXDT, TNT, TBS, DISN, TNM, TRAV, TLC, SCIFI, COM, TWC, HIST, AMC, H&G, LIFE, TOON, MSNBC, and EWTV.

PREMIUM CHANNELS

Table of premium channels for Sunday afternoon, including SHOW, HBO, TMC, and MAX.

Mixed Bouquet Special advertisement for Victorian Thymes Florist & Gift, featuring a bouquet of flowers and the price \$9.99.

SUNDAY EVENING / LATENIGHT JULY 18, 1999

Table of broadcast channels for Sunday Evening/Late Night on July 18, 1999. Columns include time slots (7:00-4:30) and channel numbers (60-69). Rows list various programs like 'Harvey', 'Rudyard Kipling's The Jungle Book', 'Anypace Wild', etc.

CABLE CHANNELS

Table of cable channels for Sunday Evening/Late Night on July 18, 1999. Columns include channel numbers (60-69) and program titles like 'Commando', 'The Harlem Globetrotters', 'Real World', etc.

PREMIUM CHANNELS

Table of premium channels for Sunday Evening/Late Night on July 18, 1999. Columns include channel numbers (60-69) and program titles like 'Sea People', 'From the Earth to the Moon', etc.

MONDAY EVENING JULY 19, 1999

Table of broadcast channels for Monday Evening on July 19, 1999. Columns include time slots (7:00-11:30) and channel numbers (60-69). Rows list various programs like 'Wheel of Fortune', 'Jeopardy!', 'King of Queens', etc.

CABLE CHANNELS

Table of cable channels for Monday Evening on July 19, 1999. Columns include channel numbers (60-69) and program titles like 'M*A*S*H', 'Show Me the Funny', 'Woodstock', etc.

PREMIUM CHANNELS

Table of premium channels for Monday Evening on July 19, 1999. Columns include channel numbers (60-69) and program titles like 'Sea People', 'From the Earth to the Moon', etc.

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PREMIUM CHANNELS. Table with columns for time slots and rows for channels (SHOW, HBO, TMC, MAX) listing premium content.

WEDNESDAY EVENING JULY 21, 1999. Table with columns for time slots (7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30) and rows for various channels (WVMT, WOTV, WGVU, WXMI, WOOD, WLNS, WLX, WTLJ, WKAR, WZZM, WSYM, WZPX, FX, FAM, MTV, VH1, USA, DISC, WGN, ESPN, CNN, CNN2, NICK, A&E, FOXDT, TNT, TBS, DISN, TNN, TRAV, TLC, SCIFI, COM, TWC, HIST, AMC, H&G, LIFE, TOOND, MSNBC, CSPAN, EWTV).

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BROADCAST CHANNELS												
1	WVMT	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Promised Land "The Visitor" Shamaya and LT resent their long-estranged father. (R) (In Stereo)	Diagnosis Murder "Murder x 4" Mark and Steve must solve three murders before a fourth is committed. (R) (In Stereo)	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)				
2	WOTV	Extra (In Stereo)	Real TV (In Stereo)	"Radiant City" *** 1/2 (1996, Drama) Kirstie Alley, Clancy Brown, Gil Bellows. A woman plots to get her family out of a housing project. (In Stereo)	Vanished Tracing the disappearance of Madalyn Murray O'Hair. (Part 6 of 6)		News	Nightline				
3	WGVU	Newshour With Jim Lehrer	Fred Tost's Practical Sportsman	This Old House Redwood garage doors.	Michigan Out-of-Doors	Fly Fishing The art of tying flies.	Mystery! "Touching Evil" Creegan turns to a jailed prostitute for help in a murder case. (R) (In Stereo) (Part 5 of 5)	Are You Being Served? "Closed Circuit" Closed-circuit TV ads.	Charlie Rose (In Stereo)			
4	WXMI	Frasier "Retirement Is Murder" Martin's unsolved case.	Seinfeld "The Apology" Jerry dates an uninhibited woman.	World's Wildest Police Videos: Chases & Riots A high-speed chase; dangerous riots. (R) (In Stereo) (PA)	Family Guy Peter knocks out the city's cable. (R) (In Stereo)	PJs "Journal Fever" Thurgood nurses Muriel back to health. (R) (In Stereo)	News	M*A*S*H Hawkeye decides to make out with his will.	M*A*S*H "Abyssinia, Henry" Henry gets his discharge.	M*A*S*H "Abyssinia, Henry" Henry gets his discharge.		
5	WOOD	Inside Edition	Friends Ross finds Marcell on a movie set. (In Stereo) (Part 2 of 2)	Friends Ross vows to try something new. (R) (In Stereo)	Jesse Jesse attends ex-classmate's wedding. (R) (In Stereo)	Frasier (In Stereo)	Frasier (In Stereo)	ER "Sticks and Stones" Dr. Greene learns that Mabalage may not have been responsible for his wife's stabbing. (R) (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)		
6	WLNS	Entertainment Tonight (In Stereo)	Hollywood Squares (In Stereo)	Promised Land "The Visitor" Shamaya and LT resent their long-estranged father. (R) (In Stereo)	Diagnosis Murder "Murder x 4" Mark and Steve must solve three murders before a fourth is committed. (R) (In Stereo)	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)				
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8	WTLJ	Marriage and Family Magazine	Dwight Elijah	TCT Today	Hal Lindsey	Something Good Tonight: The Hour of Healing (In Stereo)	Praise the Lord (Live)					
9	WKAR	Newshour With Jim Lehrer	Fred Tost's Practical Sportsman	Michigan Out-of-Doors	This Old House Kitchen cabinets. (R) (In Stereo)	Burt Wolf: Travels & Traditions "Munich, Germany" Bavaria. (R) (In Stereo)	Mystery! "Touching Evil" Creegan turns to a jailed prostitute for help in a murder case. (R) (In Stereo) (Part 5 of 5)	Fred Tost's Practical Sportsman (R)	Michigan Out-of-Doors (R)			
10	WZZM	Entertainment Tonight (In Stereo)	Hollywood Squares (In Stereo)	"Radiant City" *** 1/2 (1996, Drama) Kirstie Alley, Clancy Brown, Gil Bellows. A woman plots to get her family out of a housing project. (In Stereo)	Vanished Tracing the disappearance of Madalyn Murray O'Hair. (Part 6 of 6)		News	Nightline				
11	WSYM	Home Improvement "Really Bytes" Randy's computer pal visits.	Frasier "Retirement Is Murder" Martin's unsolved case.	World's Wildest Police Videos: Chases & Riots A high-speed chase; dangerous riots. (R) (In Stereo) (PA)	Family Guy Peter knocks out the city's cable. (R) (In Stereo)	PJs "Journal Fever" Thurgood nurses Muriel back to health. (R) (In Stereo)	News	Frasier "Bad Dog" Bulldog becomes a hero. (In Stereo)	Newsradio "Jackass Junior High" Dave has a bad day with the staff.	Coach Hayden and Christine decide the future.		
12	WZPX	Highway to Heaven "Another Song for Christmas" A businessman gets the Christmas spirit. (In Stereo)	Touched by an Angel "Missing in Action" Monica helps two senior citizens while posing as an 80-year-old woman. (In Stereo)	Diagnosis Murder "Reunion With Murder" Mark tries to locate the person responsible for murdering a blackmailer. (In Stereo)	M*A*S*H "Sticky Wicket" M*A*S*H "The Army-Navy Game"	X Show						
CABLE CHANNELS												
13	FX	M*A*S*H "Temporary Duty"	M*A*S*H "Peace on Us"	NYPD Blue Simone and Spowicz investigate the murder of a teen who painted graffiti. (In Stereo)	X-Files "Die Hand Die Verletzt" Mulder and Scully investigate the murder of a teen-age boy. (R) (In Stereo)	M*A*S*H "Sticky Wicket" M*A*S*H "The Army-Navy Game"	X Show					
14	FAM	World's Greatest Magic Top magicians from around the world gather to perform at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas. (R) (In Stereo)	"The Face on the Milk Carton" (1995, Drama) Kellie Martin, Jill Clayburgh, Edward Herrmann. A teen is shocked to discover she has a long-lost family. (In Stereo)				700 Club					
15	MTV	Making the Video (R)	Ultra Sound: Revenge	TRL (R) (In Stereo)	N Sync (R) (In Stereo)	Celebrity Deathmatch	Tom Green (In Stereo)	Loveline (R) (In Stereo)				
16	VH1	(6:30) Eric Clapton & Friends: "Crossroads Concert" (R) (In Stereo)	Behind the Music "R.E.M." (R) (In Stereo)	Storytellers "R.E.M." (R) (In Stereo)	Behind the Music "R.E.M." (R) (In Stereo)							
17	USA	Xena: Warrior Princess "One Against an Army" Xena faces a Persian army without the help of a poisoned Gabrielle. (R) (In Stereo)	Walker, Texas Ranger "The Moscow Connection" The Rangers call in the Moscow police to help Walker and Trivette. (In Stereo)	"Fried Green Tomatoes" *** 1/2 (1991, Comedy-Drama) Kathy Bates, Jessica Tandy, Mary Stuart Masterson. Fannie Flagg's tale of friendship between Alabama women. (In Stereo)								
18	DISC	Wild Discovery "Creatures of the Outback -- Outlaws of the Outback" Australian wildlife. (R)	Salmon -- Against the Tides Salmon make their mysterious journey to the sea.	Science Mysteries "Miracles of Faith" An investigation into miraculous events. (R)	Into the Unknown Reports of ape-like creatures, giant snakes and prehistoric reptiles. (R)	Salmon -- Against the Tides Salmon make their mysterious journey to the sea. (R)						
19	WGN	Family Matters "Original Gangsta Dawg" (In Stereo)	Family Matters "Grill of My Dreams" (In Stereo)	7th Heaven "Nobody Knows..." The truth isn't always clear in the Camden house. (In Stereo)	Movie Stars "Leap of Faith" (In Stereo)	For Your Love "The Endangered Species" (In Stereo)	News (In Stereo)	MacGyver "Hell Week" MacGyver prevents a disturbed student from setting off a plutonium bomb. (In Stereo)				
20	ESPN	(6:30) Sportscenter	Up Close Special	Major League Soccer: Tampa Bay Mutiny at Kansas City Wizards. From Arrowhead Stadium. (Live)			Baseball Tonight					
21	CNN	Moneyline Newshour	Crossfire	CNN & Entertainment Weekly	Larry King Live	World Today	Sports Tonight	Moneyline (R)				
22	CNN2	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News				
23	NCK	Doug (In Stereo)	Rugrats (In Stereo)	Head Throbbers (In Stereo)	Headline News	Happy Days "Fonzie Drops In" (In Stereo)	Happy Days "Breaking Up Is Hard to Do" (In Stereo)	Happy Days "Give the Day a Hand" (In Stereo)	Happy Days "Because She's There" (In Stereo)	Happy Days "In the Name of Love"		
24	A&E	Law & Order "Burned" A grandfather with connections to Schiff protects a teen-age suspect.	Biography "Debbie Reynolds" The tale of Debbie Reynolds, America's 1950s sweetheart. (R) (In Stereo)	Investigative Reports "San Francisco Vice" Cameras take viewers under cover with San Francisco's vice squad. (R) (In Stereo)	Inside Story "Red-Light Districts" Prostitution around the world, including Israel and Japan. (R) (Part 1 of 2)	FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News					
25	FOXDT	Major League Baseball: Toronto Blue Jays at Cleveland Indians. From Jacobs Field. (Live)	"The Tuskegee Airman" *** (1995, Drama) Laurence Fishburne, Allen Payne, Malcolm-Jamal Warner. An all-black squadron of fighter pilots serves in World War II. (In Stereo)									
26	TNT	ER Dr. Benton obsesses over a critically ill baby; Dr. Ross is again second-guessed. (In Stereo)	Basketball: Olympic Qualifying Tournament of the Americas Quarterfinals. From Puerto Rico. (Live)									
27	TBS	Roseanne "Darlene Fades to Black" (In Stereo)	Roseanne "Tolerate Thy Neighbor" (In Stereo)	Wrestling: WCW Thunder.	Wrestling: WCW Thunder.	Chimp Channel "Telephone"	Wrestling: WCW Thunder. (R)					
28	DISN	"Can of Worms" (1999, Science Fiction) Voice of Malcolm McDowell, Michael Shulman, Marcus Turner. A teen-ager finds himself in a jam when both friendly and hostile aliens answer his messages to outer space.	"The Parent Trap" *** (1998, Comedy) Lindsay Lohan, Dennis Quaid, Natasha Richardson. Reunited twin sisters switch places in order to bring their mother and father back together again. PG (Adult situations)									
29	TNN	Waltons "The First Edition" (In Stereo)	Life and Times of Marty Stuart (R) (In Stereo)	Prime Time Country (In Stereo)	Championship Bull Riding: Match of Champions.	Dallas "Conundrum" (In Stereo) (Part 2 of 2)						
30	TRAV	Adventure Bound (R) (Part 2 of 2)	Lonely Planet (R)	Adventure Crazy (R) Adventure Crazy (R)	Amazing Destinations (R)	Lonely Planet (R)						
31	TL	Trauma: Life in the ER MetroHealth Hospital, 60 percent of traumas are alcohol-related. (R)	Twister -- Fury on the Plains Devastation caused by tornadoes. (R)	Twister 2 -- The Terror Continues Each year a dozen American towns face twisters. (R)	Forces of Nature Forces of nature, including tornadoes, earthquakes and volcanoes. (R)	Twister -- Fury on the Plains Devastation caused by tornadoes. (R)						
32	SCIFI	Star Trek Capt. Kirk discovers a planetary government patterned after 1920s Chicago.	Sliders "In Dino Veritas" Quinn faces a man-eating dinosaur in an attempt to retrieve the timer. (R) (In Stereo)	"Candyman: Farewell to the Flesh" *** 1/2 (1995, Horror) Tony Todd, Kelly Rowan, Timothy Carhart. The vengeful ghoul marks a New Orleans family for death. (In Stereo)	Curse of the Blair Witch Witch responsible for the disappearance of three film students. (R) (In Stereo)	Daily Show (R)	Win Ben Stein's Money					
33	COM	Daily Show (R)	Win Ben Stein's Money	History of the World: Part I *** (1981, Comedy) Mel Brooks, Madeline Kahn, Harvey Korman. The foibles of civilized man are satirized by Mel Brooks.	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	
34	TWC	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter WeatherCenter	
35	HIST	20th Century The stories of serial killers Jeffrey Dahmer and Ted Bundy. (R)	History Undercover "Secrets of Soviet Space Disasters" The failure of the Soviet space program.	Tales of the FBI The FBI establishes an intelligence foothold against the Soviets. (R)	Transatlantic Cable: 2500 Miles of Copper (R)	Trains Unlimited "The Locomotive" Tracking the evolution of the locomotive. (R)						
36	AMC	"Blood Alley" *** 1/2 (1995, Adventure) John Wayne, Lauren Bacall, Anita Ekberg. A seaman helps Chinese peasants escape the communists.	"Heaven Knows, Mr. Allison" *** 1/2 (1957, Drama) Robert Mitchum, Deborah Kerr. During World War II, an American GI and a nun are trapped on a Pacific island occupied by Japanese troops.	"Sodom and Gomorrah" *** 1/2 (1963, Drama) Stewart Granger, Pier Angeli, Stanley Baker. Lot leads his tribe of nomadic Jews into Sodom and Gomorrah, where many succumb to the pleasures of the wicked cities. (R)								
37	H&G	This Old House (In Stereo)	Home & Garden Almanac (In Stereo)	How's That Made? "Carpel/Toilets" (R)	Designing for the Sexes (In Stereo)	Kitchen Design (R) (In Stereo)	Location, Location, Location (In Stereo)	Dream Builders "Panel Homes" (In Stereo)	Home & Garden Almanac (In Stereo)	How's That Made? "Carpel/Toilets" (R)		
38	LIFE	Party of Five "Who Cares" Claudia's 12th birthday approaches but no one seems to notice. (In Stereo)	Chicago Hope "Transplanted Affection" Dr. Walters must find Dr. Geiger to perform a heart transplant operation. (In Stereo)	"Nightmare in Big Sky Country" (1998, Drama) Patricia Wettig, M. Emmet Walsh, Matt McCoy. A militant group member threatens a judge and her family.								
39	TOON D	Timon & Pumbaa (In Stereo)	101 Dalmatians: The Series (In Stereo)	Tale Spin (In Stereo)	Bonkers (In Stereo)	Goof Troop (In Stereo)	Quack Pack (In Stereo)	Darkwing Duck (In Stereo)	Aladdin (In Stereo)			
40	MSNBC	InterNight	Equal Time	Time and Again	News With Brian Williams	Hockenberry (Live)						
41	CSPAN	House of Representatives (Live)	Prime Time Public Affairs									
42	EWTN	Our Lady of the Angels Monastery Daily Mass	Life on the Rock	We Are One Body	Rosary-Land	John of the Cross (R)						
PREMIUM CHANNELS												
43	SHOW	(6:15) "Clue" *** (1985, Comedy) Madeline Kahn, Eileen Brennan, Martin Mull. Estate guests investigate the murder of their host. (In Stereo) PG (Mild violence)	"U-Turn" *** 1/2 (1997, Mystery) Sean Penn, Nick Nolte, Jennifer Lopez. Oliver Stone directed this tale of a stranded hood in Arizona who becomes involved with a woman he was hired to kill. (In Stereo) R (Adult language, adult situations, violence)	"Deep Impact" *** (1998, Drama) Robert Duvall, Lea Toni, Elijah Wood. Troubled people attempt to mend their lives as they brace themselves for a comet that threatens Earth. (In Stereo) PG-13 (Adult language, violence)	"Butter" *** (1998, Suspense) Emie Hudson, Nia Long, Shemar Moore. Police scour the L.A. music industry for clues in the mysterious slaying of record label's top recording artist. (In Stereo) R (Adult language, brief nudity)	Deep Blue Sea: First Look "Deep Blue Sea."	Strippers: The Naked Stages A raw look at the competitive business of stripping. (R) (In Stereo)					
44	HBO	From the Earth to the Moon Alan Shepard returns to the Apollo program. (R) (In Stereo)	"Alien" *** 1/2 (1993, Drama) Ethan Hawke, Vincent Spano, Josh Hamilton. Based on the true story of plane-crash survivors in the Andes who are forced to consume their dead companions. R (Violence)	"Seven Years in Tiber" *** (1997, Drama) Brad Pitt, B.D. Wong. Young Dalai Lama breaks through a self-centered Austrian's icy exterior to teach him some lessons in humanity. (In Stereo) PG-13								
45	TMC	(6:55) "Red Corner" *** (1997, Drama) Richard Gere, Bai Ling, Bradley Whitford. A visiting American is framed for a brutal murder in China. (In Stereo) R (Adult situations, violence)	"Tin Men" *** (1997, Comedy-Drama) Richard Dreyfuss, Danny DeVito, Barbara Hershey. A war of wits erupts between two shady aluminum-siding salesmen in 1963 Baltimore. R (Adult language, adult situations)	"Executive Power" (1997, Suspense) Craig Sheffer, John Heard, Joanna Cassidy. A former Secret Service agent is pulled into a deadly cover-up involving the president and an incriminating video. (In Stereo) R (Adult language, adult situations, violence)	"Damien's Seed" * (1996) (In Stereo) NR (Adult language, nudity, strong sexual content)							

COMING EVENTS

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

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

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

EVERY 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.

SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: The Lowell Area Schools Board of Education meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Administration Building located in the former Runciman Elementary, 300 High Street.

SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: Golden Ages meet 6 p.m. at Hale House (Senior Neighbors, 314 S. Hudson). Potluck. All are welcome.

SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: The Bowne Township Historical Society will hold its regular meetings at the Historical Museum at 84th and Alden Nash. The meeting is at 7:30 p.m.

THIRD MONDAY OF JUNE, JULY & AUGUST: West Mich. Parents of Murdered Children & Other Survivors of Ho micide (POMC) at Trinity United Methodist Church, 1100 Lake Drive SE, Grand Rapids, 7 p.m., Discovery Rm. Contact Danni Smith, 897-2544 or Tim Timmerman, 696-1023.

FOURTH MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: American Legion Clark-Ellis Post 152

at Lowell V.F.W. Hall, 307 E. Main St. at 8 p.m.

EVERY 1ST MONDAY: V.F.W. Post 8303 meets at the V.F.W. Clubroom, 307 E. Main St. Lowell at 7:30 p.m.

EVERY MON.: Boy Scout Troop 1030, for boys 11 & up or completing the 5th-grade, will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. during the school year in the Scout Cabin at the end of North Washington Street. Enjoy activities like hiking and camping and learn skills that can last a lifetime. For more information call Terry Cavanaugh, 868-6481.

TUESDAY EVES: Teen dances at the Showboat Amphitheater from 8-11 p.m. \$3 admission. Middle school and high school IDs required.

TUESDAYS: Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops MI#372 meets every Tuesday evening at Key Heights Mobile Home Park Community Building. Weigh-ins at 5:45 p.m.

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

EVERY FOURTH TUESDAY: Ladies Coffee Break Bible study. Free nursery and preschool story hour/crafts time. Calvary Christian Reformed Church across from Burger King, 10 to 11:15 a.m. 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.

THURSDAYS: Weight Watchers meets in Lowell at the Lowell Nazarene Church, 201 N. Washington, at 7 p.m. Registration is a half hour before meeting.

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 Connie 942-6887.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH: Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) meets at 7 a.m. in high school teachers dining room for a light breakfast. For information concerning FCA call Kris Gallagher at 676-1355 or Linda Johnson at 897-4922.

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY: LaLeche League of Ada, Cascade & Lowell meets at 10 a.m. Mother to mother support for pregnant & breastfeeding women. Nursing children are welcome to attend. Our current location is a church in Lowell. Call Janet 897-6845 or Rebecca 897-6734 for more information.

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

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., JULY 14 - Celebrating Diversity Summer Fun program: Discover the ants/share with others. Guests welcome 9-3 p.m. at 1st

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LOWELL. Sponsored by 1st Congregational and 1st United Methodist churches. Call 897-5906.

THURS., JULY 15: KeenAgers will meet at Vergennes Methodist Church at 10 a.m. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service.

MON., JULY 19: The Clark-Ellis American Legion Auxiliary will hold their annual picnic at the home of Martin and Treva Johnson at 5 p.m. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass. Spouses are also invited.

WED., JULY 21: The Lowell Area Fire Department is sponsoring a blood drive for the Grand Valley Blood program from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Look Memorial Fire Station located at 315 S. Hudson.

SAT., JULY 24 - Grand Valley Blood program will sponsor a blood drive from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Grattan Township, 12050 Old Belding Rd. Belding. You must be 17 or older and weigh 110 pounds or more to donate blood. Call Dave Benson at 691-7645 for an appt. or info.

TUES., AUG. 3: ADD/ADHD support group meets from 7 to 8 p.m. Ionia Middle School. speaker, Dr. Ronald VanValkenberg on differential diagnosis.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR

897-5949

MON.: 8:30 a.m., Walking, Woodland Mall.	THURS: 9:00 a.m. Walk and shop - Woodland Mall; 9:30 a.m., Crafts; 1:00 p.m., Euchre.
TUES.: 8:30 a.m. Walking, Woodland Mall. 10:40 a.m., Exercise (1st UMC)	FRI.: 8:30 a.m. Walking-Woodland Mall.
WED.: 12:45 p.m. Shopping assistance.	

Special Events

WED., JULY 14: Noon. Movie: Yankee Doodle Dandy.	WED., JULY 22: 12:30 - 1 p.m., Medicaid/Medicare presentation.
THURS., JULY 15: 12:15 p.m. Dance - Westside Complex.	WED., JULY 28: 8 a.m., Women's traveling breakfast.
FRI., JULY 16: Lansing-R.E. Olds Body & Chassis Plants.	THUR., JULY 29: 12:30 - 1 p.m., Hospice 101 presentation.
MON., JULY 19: 12:30 p.m., shopping, Walmart.	FRI., JULY 30: 12:30 p.m., G.R. Community College exhibit gathering.
WED., JULY 21: 9:30 a.m., Advisory Council.	

(Dinner reservations should be made 3 working days in advance)

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Pitcher perfect season earns Gless a scholarship to Aquinas

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Dustin Gless' work ethic and love for the game of baseball have enabled him to piece together a puzzle that has taken him from a Little League all-star to a budding NAIA college baseball prospect.

"I've always wanted to play college baseball," Gless said. "I'm lucky enough to get the chance."

The opportunity was provided through a baseball scholarship tendered by Aquinas College this spring.

"All Dustin does is play baseball. He loves the game," Lowell baseball coach Tim Antel said following the senior's 3-0 shutout over Grand Ledge in the district championship.

"I thought if I could pitch well this year I had a chance

to play at the college level," Gless said.

The LHS graduate has talent to match his passion.

He set a Lowell single-season record for most wins with 12, and most strikeouts with 113. Gless was also

Once Dustin begins working with his pitching coach at Aquinas, and masters an off-speed pitch, I think he's going to be a gem. He has great command of his fastball. With an off-speed pitch he will be extremely difficult to hit.

Tim Antel
Lowell Baseball Coach

named to the all-conference team, all-district team, second team all-state and was voted by his peers the club's most valuable player.

Gless points to a year of

experience and better control as keys to his success in 1999. "The team defense was also better. We didn't commit as many errors," he explained.

The Lowell graduate's three-hit shutout against Grand Ledge where he struck out nine and walked one bat-

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Gless is anxious to get both his college baseball and his elementary education studies started at Aquinas.

The lefty's 12-3 record was huge in leading Lowell to a 27-8 season.

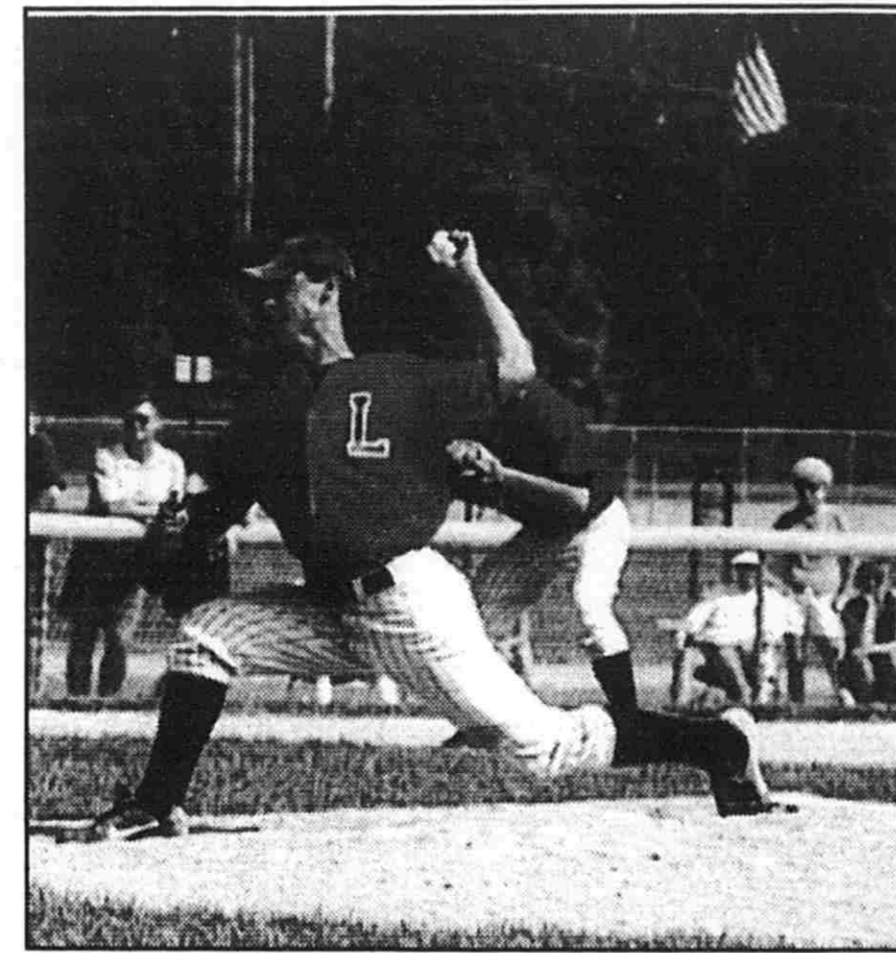
"I knew going into the season that Dustin was a good pitcher," said Lowell varsity baseball coach Tim Antel. "I didn't realize what good offensive skills he had."

Gless batted .325, stole 32 bases and had a .520 on base percentage.

Gless felt the club would do better than a year ago, but an 11-0 start is when the senior and his teammates believed it would be a special year.

He attributes the great start and season to the winter workouts in the batting cage and on the indoor pitching mound.

"Once Dustin begins



Dustin Gless will study elementary education and play baseball at Aquinas in the fall.

working with his pitching coach at Aquinas, and masters an off-speed pitch, I think he's going to be a gem," Antel said. "He has great command of his fastball. With an off-speed pitch he will be extremely difficult to hit."

His high school coach calls him a leader without having to talk. "He works hard and a coach doesn't have to watch over him to make sure he does something. Because of his work ethic, people naturally follow him," Antel said.

Rickert takes stellar pitching and academic records to Northwood

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Andrea Rickert's success on the softball diamond in 1999 can be defined by her all-conference honors, all-district honors, academic all-state honors or her record-setting, single season numbers.

But those alone make for an incomplete definition. Any definition about Rickert's success should start with "believing."

The Lowell graduate credits Rob Smith, her junior varsity coach, in getting her to believe she could be a good softball player.

"Coach Smith convinced me I could be a softball player at the Division I level," Rickert recalls.

Once she believed, Rickert began working hard year round with her father, Coach Smith and anyone else who wanted to work on their softball game.

As a result, Rickert will attend Northwood University in the fall with financial assis-

tance through softball and an academic scholarships.

The Lowell pitcher set single-season records in strikeouts (189), innings pitched (170.1) and at the plate with 48 hits. Rickert also set a Lowell record with most games pitched (53) in a career.

"Andrea had more control of her pitches this year. When you record the number of strikeouts she did that is 6-8 less balls per game that have to be fielded," Lowell softball coach Bob Rodenhouse said.

Her commitment to softball did not detract from her work in the classroom. Rickert graduated with a 3.76 grade point average.

"Pitching comes down to off-season work. You must pitch every single day to be successful," Rickert explains.

The reality of that statement sunk in after her junior year. "I was disappointed with my junior season because I knew what it took to be better."

Her self determination and

drive guaranteed a more productive 1999 season.

As a junior, Rickert was 11-12, batted .295, and had an earned-run average of 4.10.

In her senior year, Rickert transformed her pitching record to read 19-7, batting average to .410 and her earned-run average to 2.75.

Rickert wasn't the only one who changed her approach. "I think I saw a big change in Rode (Lowell softball coach Bob Rodenhouse). He's always been laid back, but this year he pushed us and really wanted to win," Rickert said.

How was it playing for her high school coach? "He is really just a great guy. Rode really cares about his players," Rickert said.

She will use a solid senior year as a springboard into her first college softball season.

"The college-bound student athlete is following an off-season program sent to

her by her Northwood coach. The regiment includes running six miles four days a week, sprints and weight lifting.

Her high school coach was impressed by the leadership she showed and her work ethic.

"Andrea displayed leadership through her desire and intensity. She went from her 'I' player her junior year to a team player her senior year," Rodenhouse explained. "I don't know how Andrea will do, but with her work ethic we're going to find out. She

will need to work equally as hard going from high school to college as she did from her junior to senior year. Andrea will be playing against the best. There will be no more number nine hitters. I'm sure she will give it her best shot."




Lowell's Andrea Rickert set school records in strikeouts, career innings pitched and most hits in a season.

No pleasure is comparable to that of standing upon the vantage-ground of truth.

—Francis Bacon

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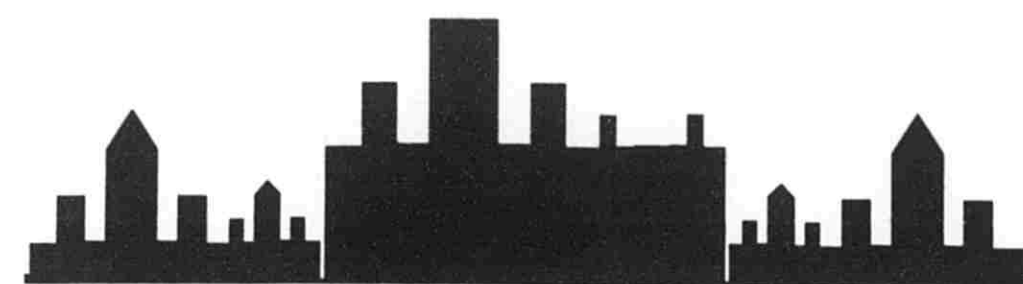
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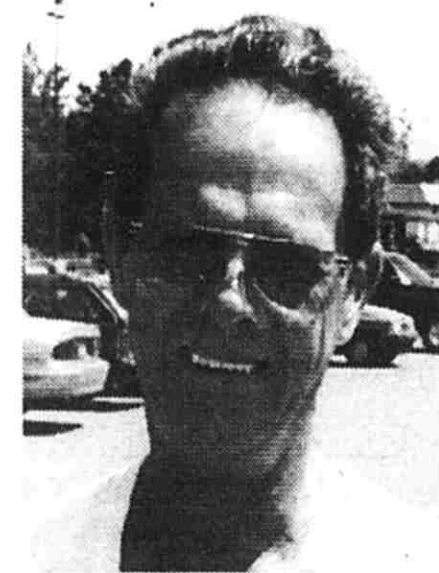
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TOWN TALK

The Downtown Development Authority is initiating another TIF bond sale, this time for \$1.3 million, possibly undertaking the following projects: The extension of the Riverwalk to the Showboat amphitheater; Site improvements to the City Hall/police station parking lots; The purchase and renovation of downtown buildings and property; The extension of street lights to the west city limits; Additional sidewalks in the downtown district; and establishing a building renovation loan account. Of the projects mentioned, which do you give highest priority?



Jim Warner
The building purchase and renovation. Anything that helps make the downtown look nicer.



Christy Watson (Logan)
The purchase and renovation of downtown buildings. They are historical buildings something should be done with them. I also like extending the lights to the west city limits.



Joann Childs
The parking lot improvements are a good one as is the extension of the lights.



Tom Stewart
I think the DDA should help with the pool. Of the ones mentioned I like the establishment of a building renovation loan fund.



Denese Crouch
I like the idea of purchasing and renovating buildings and extending the street lights to the west city limits. They will give the town a quaint look.



Ann Thomas
The extension of the Riverwalk and the sidewalks.



Sandy Anderson
Definitely, the purchase and renovation of buildings in the downtown.

Sue McClellan
The purchase and renovation of downtown buildings. We're going to have a lot of wasted buildings if we let them sit.

**PUBLIC NOTICE
VERGENNES
TOWNSHIP**
KENT COUNTY, MICHIGAN
**PROPOSED ZONING
AMENDMENT TO
VERGENNES TOWNSHIP
ZONING ORDINANCE**

Please take notice that a public hearing before the Vergennes Township Planning Commission will be held on **Monday, August 2, 1999 at 7:00 PM** at the Vergennes Township Hall, located at 10381 Bailey Drive, Lowell, MI 49331 to consider proposed amendments to the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance. The proposed amendments will:

Amend Article IV General and Special Regulations by adding a new section 201.432 pertaining to Wireless Communication Facilities, with regulations and standards for granting approval for such facilities as special exception uses. Wireless Communication Facilities are towers for paging, cellular telephone, radio, television, and other communications.

Coordinating language in Article III Zoning Districts in the (R-A), (R-1), (R-2), (R-3), (R-L), and (C) districts to add Wireless Communication Facilities as a listed special exception use. In the (I) district; these facilities will be listed as a permitted use.

The complete text of the proposed ordinance amendments are on file in the offices at Vergennes Township Hall. Written and oral comments regarding the proposed amendments will be received until the conclusion of the public hearing. Written comments may be addressed to the Township Clerk, Planning Commission Chairperson or to the Planning Coordinator at the Township Offices.

Richard Gillett, Chairperson
Vergennes Planning Commission

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The City of Lowell Planning Commission-Citizen Advisory Committee will conduct public hearings at their regularly scheduled meeting of Monday, July 26, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on the following:

1. A rezoning request from Daryl Kuiper to rezone a residential lot (136 S. Center Street, parcel #41-20-02-354-027) on the west side of South Center Street adjoining his business (Vennen Chrysler, 930 W. Main) from R-2 (Two-Family Residential) to C-3 (General Business).
2. An ordinance amendment involving landscaping requirements in the Commercial and Industrial Districts.
3. An ordinance amendment on Chapter 4 (Accessory Buildings and Uses) Section 4.08.H. "No detached accessory building in a residential district shall exceed the height of the residence."

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

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**VERGENNES
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NOTICE**

A Public Hearing will be held during the Vergennes Township Board meeting on Monday, July 19, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. at the Vergennes Township offices located at 10381 Bailey Dr., Lowell.

Mike Harding is requesting final approval of a Planned Unit Development for a parcel of land located at 1910 Lincoln Lake Ave., in the NW 1/4 of Section 14, which includes 6 homesites that will be served by a private road. The proposed PUD would cluster the 6 sites on the West portion of the development, retaining open space on the Eastern 7 acres determined to be wetlands.

The file concerning this request can be reviewed at the Township Hall from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Written comments will also be considered if submitted to the Township Clerk by 7:00 p.m. on July 19, 1999.

Mari Stone
Vergennes Township Clerk

Stormzand looks to fill teaching void with area volunteer work

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

In a time when it is trendy to come out of the closet, Carol Stormzand will spend time, early in her retirement going back into her closets.

After a 35-year tenure as a kindergarten and developmental kindergarten teacher, Stormzand retired from Lowell Schools after the 1998-99 school year.

She will devote time in retirement to work she has neglected. "I'm going to go from closet to closet to closet to closet and then to my basement," Stormzand explains with a grin.

Her enthusiasm for cleaning out her closets will not match that she used in teaching young children. "I loved their enthusiasm. They don't talk back, they idolize their kindergarten teacher and they want to learn," Stormzand explained. The retired kindergarten teacher, however, hopes to match their enthusiasm while undertaking volunteer work. "I want to do some volunteering for hospitals, Driving for Cancer and In the Image," Stormzand explained.

Ailing knees and reoccurring back trouble is what has led Stormzand into retirement.

Enough was enough. It was time to let the new kids on the block.

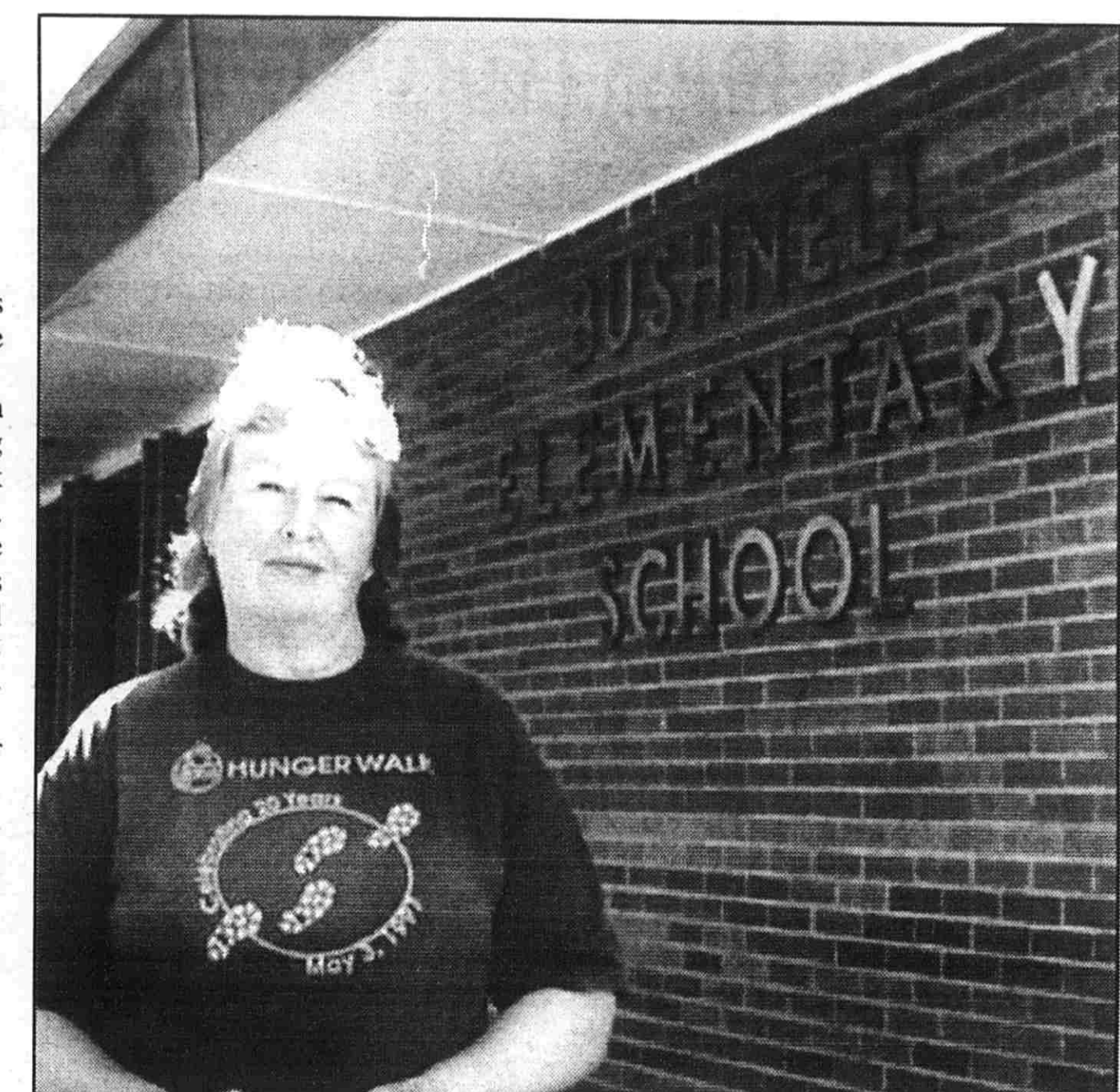
"I felt I worked hard as a young teacher, but the young teachers today have to work even harder," Stormzand said. That work starts before they get a job. Stormzand's interview for the Lowell teaching position took 15 minutes with, then superintendent, Steve Nisbet.

"Students coming out of college, who aspire to become teachers, not only have to go through a lengthier interview but also have to teach a lesson," Stormzand said. Stormzand spent three years teaching in the Morrice School District prior to coming to Lowell in 1964.

In reflecting on her time spent in the Lowell School District, she credits it with trying to give every child a chance to fill his/her potential and define who they are.

Her concern is that public education is pushing too much academics on kindergarten kids.

"Let's not neglect the play



Carol Stormzand retired at the end of 1998-99 school year. She spent 35 years in the district teaching kindergarten.

aspect for other things. Kids can learn so much through play. I think they should get a mix of both," Stormzand said. The former Lowell teacher believes schools need to help develop the kids emo-

tional and socially at that young age. "I think kids are more aggressive and have more emotional problems than when I started teaching 38 years ago," Stormzand said. If the teaching veteran

had to do it all over again she'd teach kindergarten for another 38 years. "I just love the kids," Stormzand explains. "Nurturing has always been a part of my nature. I am a nurturer."

LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN
CIRCUIT COURT
COUNTY OF KENT

ORDER TO ANSWER
Hon. George S. Buth
CASE #99-04278-DO

BRIAN R. SCHERZER
(SSN 386-88-5053)
Plaintiff

vs.
ERIKA ANNEKE
SCHERZER
(SSN Unknown)
Defendant

At a session of said Court held in the Hall of Justice, City of Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan on July 8, 1999.

PRESENT: Hon. George S. Buth, Circuit Judge.

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the Defendant, Erika Anneke Scherzer, shall Answer or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before July 29, 1999. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a Judgment by Default against Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this cause.

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ZONING BOARD
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Request from Landon Development Corporation for a variance to appeal sections 6.02 and 6.03 of the Bowne Township ordinance for the development of a manufactured home community in the A-2 district.

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**School board faces
formidable tasks in wrestling
with demographic options**

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell Superintendent Bert Bleke called it the single most important task facing the school board during the 1999-2000 school year. That task will be going from monitoring the district's on-going demographic study to taking the information doing something with it. "It's time to look at and

study the information provided to us and then make some decisions," said school board vice president Mark Blanding. Bleke concurred, calling for the board to move to the next level where it begins wrestling with and understanding the options available to it. There is also a two-way process needed to inform the community. Information would be shared with it and then the district would hear the community's concerns, interest and what it would like to see done. A state proposed school voucher program, charter schools and proposed trailer park could all impact the decision. "The district, however, has no control over any of these," Bleke explained. "This next year will be the most critical piece in narrowing down the possibilities and in determining what makes the most sense." The Lowell Demographic Task Force, which has met and gathered information for the past three years, made a report to the district in June. The report indicated that all buildings in the district will surpass their functional capacity by the year 2002-2003. With the exception of the high school, the student enrollment at each of the other buildings has exceeded capacity. The report projects that student enrollment in Lowell will rise to 4,102 in 2003-2004.

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Edward Jones representative invests own time for investors

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

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"Lowell is a small community that provides me an

opportunity to help individuals and small businesses meet their investment needs," Bouma explains.

"Yes, many people are doing something with their money other than spending it, but they are not necessarily appropriate investments for their future."

Chris Bouma
Edward Jones Representative

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Bouma says while many individuals have investments, many don't have a plan.

"Yes, many people are doing something with their money other than spending it, but they are not necessarily appropriate investments for their future," he explains.

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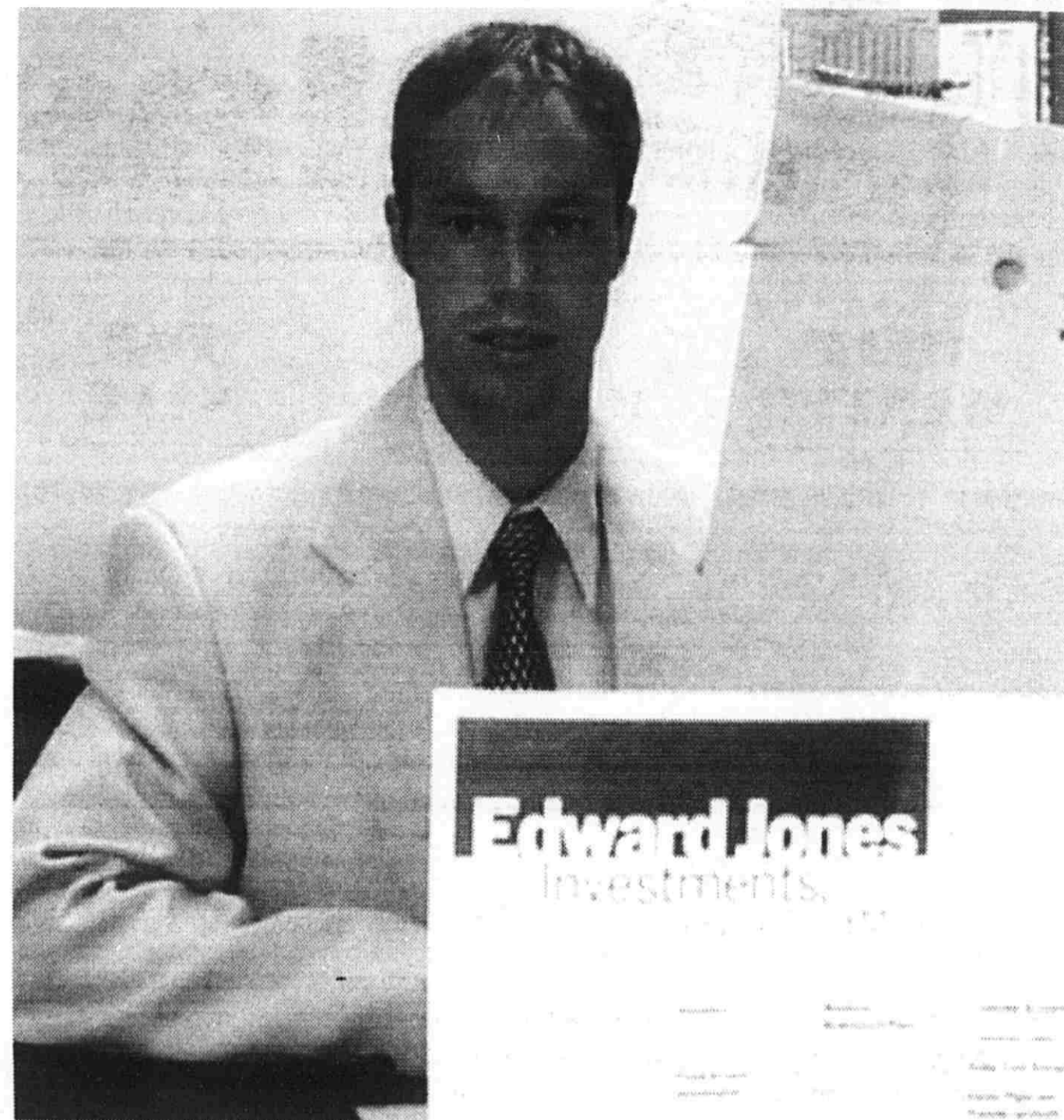
"We've also been the most effective," Bouma said.

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Chris Bouma is busy carrying out the footwork at the Edward Jones investment firm

Alto teen featured in "Schoolhouse Rock Live"

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Alto's Megan Bisard is featured in the Grand Rapids Civic Theatre Arts Summer

Stock production of Schoolhouse Rock Live.

The school of theatre and arts will also present the award-winning *Selkie*, by

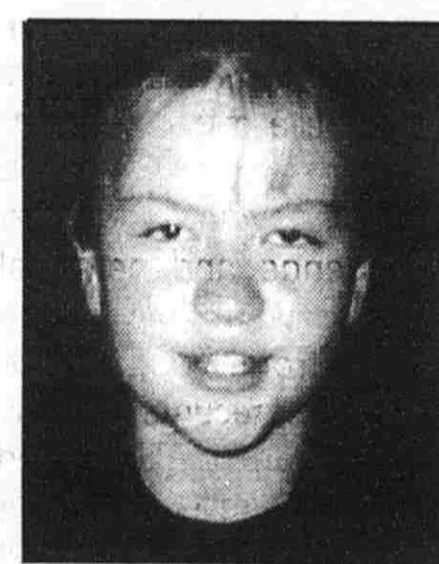
Laurie Brooks Gollubin.

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KEENE TOWNSHIP NOTICE

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING

Wednesday, July 21, 1999
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The following request will be heard:

Sundry Corp. is requesting a variance to create one lot smaller than the required 2.5 acre minimum size in an 11 unit site condominium development known as Country View in order to allow Planning Commission requested improvements to the private road and cul-de-sac. The property is owned by Randall Bond and is located in the NW quarter of Section 19, about 1300 feet east of Montcalm Rd. on Potters Rd. known as parcel #034-070-019-000-030-00.

Written comments will also be considered if received by the Township Clerk prior to 6:30 p.m. on July 21, 1999.

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