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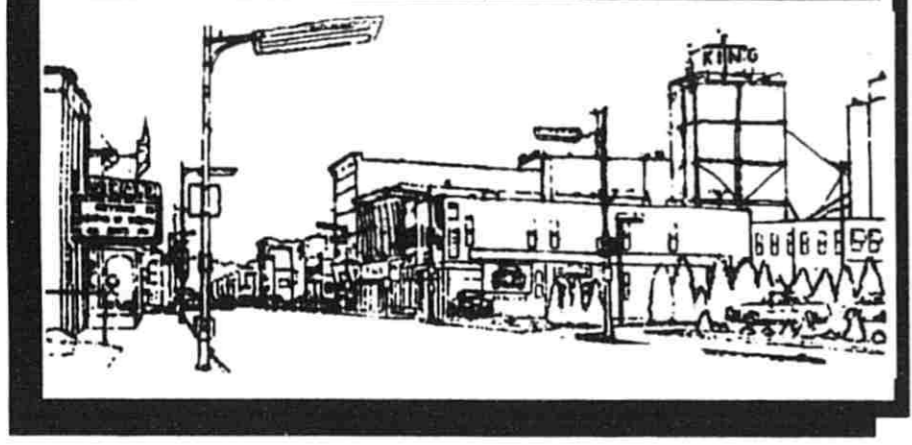
# The Lowell Ledger

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## Along Main Street



### SPORTSMAN'S CLUB ANNUAL SIGHT-IN

The Qua-Ke-Zik Sportsman's Club sight-in for rifle, shotgun and pistol, will be held Saturday, Nov. 6 and Sunday, Nov. 7 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine. This will be held at the club, 11400 Foreman Rd. and the cost is \$4 per gun. Call 897-7635 for more information.

### SEGMENT II SCHEDULED TO BEGIN FOR DRIVERS TRAINING

Lowell Area Schools will offer Segment II for drivers training on Nov. 8, 9 and 10 at Lowell High School. Those who took the first session last summer should attend from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Those who attended the second session should attend from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Students who attend Lowell High School should sign up in advance with Mrs. Phillips in Room A105. In-district students, not attending Lowell High School, should call Mrs. Phillips at 897-4125 to pre-register.

### LOWELL ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB MEETING RESCHEDULED

The monthly Athletic Boosters meeting will be held in the high school staff lounge on Monday, Nov. 8 at 7 p.m. Please come and help support our athletes.

### FREE PARENT WORKSHOP

"Parenting a Child with Attention Deficit Disorder," a workshop presented by the Educational Support Services department of Lowell Area Schools, will be presented Thursday, Nov. 11 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Come to the Board of Education meeting room at 300 High St. and listen to Dr. Brett May, one of the founders of the Pine Rest A.D.D. Institute, share some techniques and strategies to use with A.D.D./A.D.H.D. children. RSVP by Nov. 9 to either Jantina 897-1214 or Carol 897-1216.

### COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION

Commodities will be distributed Thursday, Nov. 18 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Moose Recreational building.

### AMERICAN LEGION & AUXILIARY HOST CATERED DINNER

The Clark-Ellis Post 152 American Legion and Auxiliary will host a catered dinner on Monday, Nov. 8 at 6 p.m. commemorating Armistice Day at Schneider Manor. Members need to make reservations by Nov. 1 by calling Rich Bieri 897-8258 or Doris Ellis 897-8870.

### HISTORICAL SOCIETY BANQUET

The annual banquet of Fallsburg Historical Society will be held at Schneider Manor on Monday, Nov. 15 at 6:30 p.m. A catered meal will be served and new president Michael Page's address will be *The State of the Society, and Historic Preservation and Historic Tourism.*

Reservations must be made by Thursday, Nov. 11 by calling either 897-6430 or 897-8151. The cost is \$8 per person.

### 8TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS THROUGH LOWELL

The 8th annual Christmas through Lowell will be held Nov. 19 through 21. Maps are available at: Wolf Tracks, Cousin's Hallmark, State Farm Insurance, Shorebird Gallery, Victorian Thymes and Rupert's Drop.

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## Lowell water tests and tastes well

••• Water provided to Lowell citizens by the water treatment plant exceeds federal and state requirements, and surprises students in a taste test.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The quality of finished water provided to the citizens of Lowell by Lowell Water Treatment and Filtration Plant far exceeds the requirements of the federal and state regulations results from recent tests indicate.

Plant superintendent George Regan has taken his own

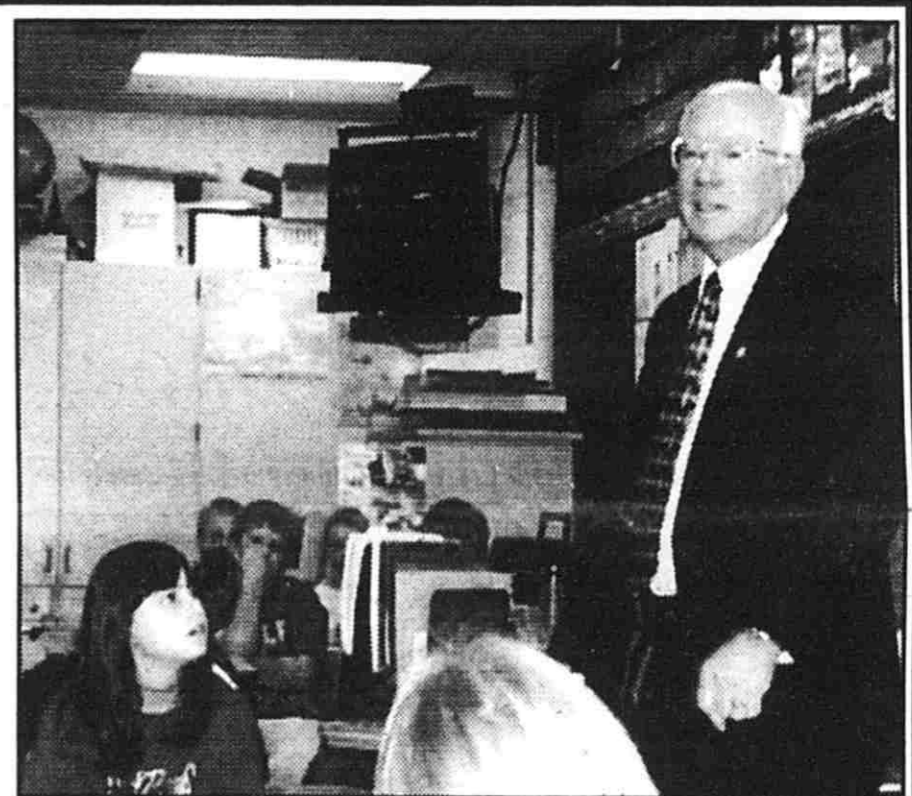
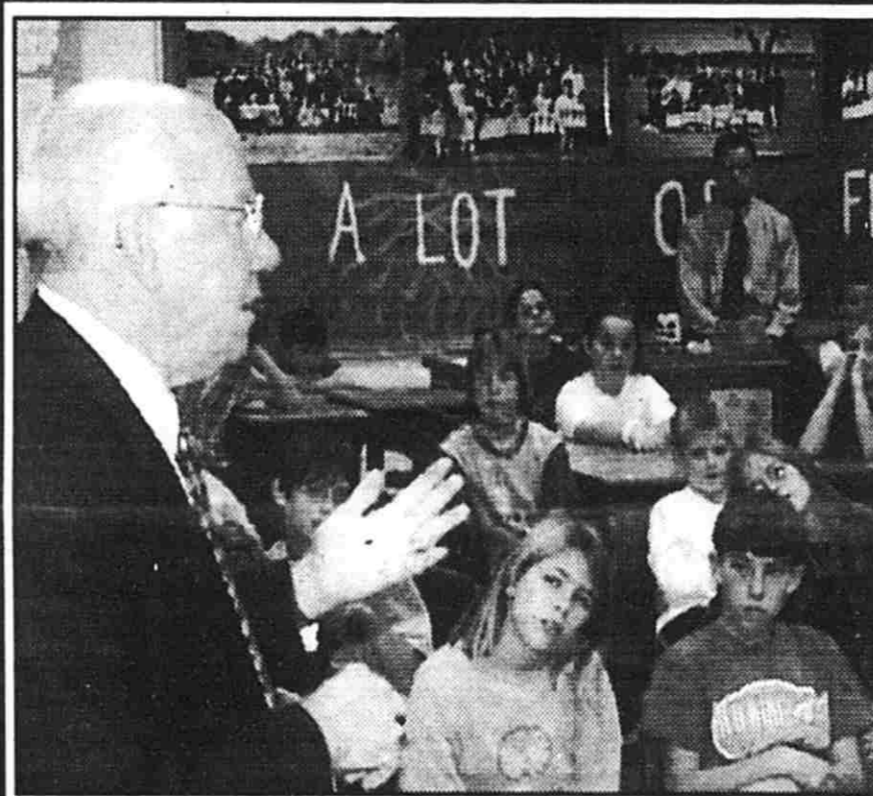
personal taste test of the well water, plant tap and retail bottled water. "I can never tell the difference between the three," he explained.

There are some that won't believe that. So Regan conducted a water taste test in Heather Kohtz's freshman science class.

Six samples were tasted by the seven participants - three at room temperature and three chilled. Each set had a source, water well, plant tap water and bottled water from the local grocery store.

Of the seven participants, only one student identified two correct samples while one student was correct on one

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## Ehlers visits Cherry Creek fifth-graders

Michigan congressman, Vern Ehlers visited with 75 Cherry Creek Elementary fifth grade students from the classrooms of Paul Jacobus, Brent Noskey and Mike Fillman, on Monday, to discuss his role as their representative and to answer questions about the United States Congress.

## City's first firearms dealer for friends and family only

••• Tom Tschannen, in a letter to the city, made it clear he would not be selling firearms to the general public.

By J.N. Boorsma  
Contributing Writer

The city of Lowell may have its first firearms dealer, but residents shouldn't expect to race over for any hunting deals.

Cindy Thomas and Tom Tschannen, owner of Fuller Septic Service, approached the city's planning commission about the proposed operation at the septic company located at 2051 Bowes Road. The couple was notified that before the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) would approve a Licensed Firearms dealership, they would need to have the zoning changed to allow for the dealership.

Fuller Septic Service is located in the city's industrial zone. After complying with all the regulations, a few weeks ago, the ATF inspected

the business and performed a site evaluation, the last phase in the licensing process.

"The ATF then proceeded to inform us that we would have to request a special use permit because we are zoned Industrial," Thomas and Tschannen wrote in a letter dated Oct. 22 to the planning commission. "Furthermore, they informed us we had only 30 days to comply with the zoning, knowing this would be very difficult to do within a 30-day time period."

Thomas and Tschannen made it clear in the letter that they would not be selling to the general public. The building would not have a sign indicating it's a firearms dealer, and there would be no dedicated phone lines for the business. They did not plan

to advertise the firearms dealer, and firearms and ammunition of any kind would not be stored on the premises overnight.

We are seeking a special use permit to comply with ATF regulations to become a Licensed Firearms dealer, only to purchase guns at a discount for ourselves and our families, the letter stated.

After a review of the Industrial district zoning, the Lowell Planning Commission, in a six to one vote with commissioner Clark Jahnke abstaining, decided that the business would fit under a

wholesale outlet definition which is permitted by right under that zoning. The commission agreed that as long as the couple stuck to the seven points they outlined about no retail business, the firearms dealership could operate at the site.

"I felt like, in my opinion, they did not fit the wholesale use," said planning commission chair, Dan Brubaker, who was the only nay vote. Brubaker said in a wholesale business, the operators are purchasing items and then selling those items to other stores.

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## INSIDE THE LEDGER

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## OBITUARIES

**BONN** - Douglas Reuber Bonn, DO, aged 85, a resident of Heather Hills, passed away October 31, 1999. Dr. Bonn was born on January 22, 1914, in St. Paul, MN, the son of Charles and Jessie Bonn. He graduated from Kirkville College of Osteopathy in 1941, and was in practice for 37 years in Clarksville. He married June Crockford on July 31, 1951. He was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Lowell Lodge #90 F&AM, Cyclaman Chapter O.E.S. of Lowell, York Rite the Saladin Shrine and was past-patron of the Eastern Star

**DEBOER** - Mr. Rodney K. DeBoer, aged 52, of Alto, passed away unexpectedly Saturday, October 30, 1999. He was the owner of Grand Die Engravers. He survived by his wife Linda DeBoer; his son Brian DeBoer; his daughter Rachael Nelson; his mother Ann DeBoer; his father-in-law and mother-in-law Paul and Marilyn Choiniere; his brothers Richard DeBoer of Florida, Timothy and Adele DeBoer of Kentwood and their three daughters; his sister Peggy and Tim Ellens of Wayland and their three children; his brother-in-law Richard and Irene Choiniere; many nieces and nephews. Funeral and Committal Services for Rod will be held on Wednesday (today) at 2 p.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 330 Crescent NE, with Pastor Phillip Nordstrand officiating. Interment in Clarksville Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

vived by his children Yvonne Routley of Big Rapids, Carroll Andrew (Joyce) Eckman, Jr. of Clarksville, Allan Eckman of Lakeview, Dale Eckman of Lowell; brothers Charlie Walters of Battle Creek, Pat Eckman of Rapids City, SD; sister Helen Eckman of Grand Rapids; 20 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren. Funeral Services were held Monday at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Pastor Ron Schmidt officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

**JUNEWICK** - Pauline Therese Junewick passed away Sunday, October 31, 1999. She was preceded in death by her husband of 55 years, Walter; parents John and Sophie Downer, brothers Si (Esther) Downer, Joseph Downer; sister Jesse (Charles) Urbanski and granddaughters Joy Ottenwess and Kim Junewick

and great-grandson Troy Roguska. She is survived by her children Norbert and Lorraine Junewick, Gerald and Betty Junewick, Arnold and Lynne Junewick, Mary Lou and Ken West, Carol and Thomas Nezewek and Christine; 21 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; brother Edwin and June Downer; sisters-in-law Dolores Juskiwicz and Florence Downer; many nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements pending.

**VREELAND** - Robert E. Vreeland, aged 63, of Saranac, passed away Friday, October 29, 1999, at St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Rapids after a courageous battle with cancer. Bob was born February 25, 1936, to Bird M. (Margaret Mead) Vreeland in Mt. Pleasant, MI. He retired from Oldsmobile in Lansing in 1985. He was a very active member and officer for 17 years of the Inde-

pendent order of the Forresters. He was Saranac's handyman since 1985. He married Marlene DeBois May 28, 1971, at the Saranac Community Church. Besides his wife he is survived by five children: Robert (Tawnya) Vreeland of Saranac, Denise DeBois of Saranac, Barbara Mutchler of Grand Rapids, Shanda (Mark) Charles of Grand Rapids and Esther (Thane) Chipman of Saranac; one brother Richard Vreeland of Florida; sisters Ardith (John) Human of Greenville and Anita (Toby Mudgett) Karianen of Corunna; six grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a brother. Funeral Services will be held Wednesday (today) at the Saranac Community Church with Rev. Stanley Hagemeyer and Nate Gibbons officiating. Interment Saranac Cemetery. Anyone wishing may make contributions to Wings of Mercy or Saranac Fire Department.

## School security officer dies

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

In less than two years, John Stubbs, Lowell Schools security officer, had gained the respect of administrators, principals, teachers and students.

"Students who had given John a hard time last year, this year, took it upon themselves to tell him they were sorry for that," said Russ Bacon, Lowell Middle School sixth-grade teacher. "He was fun but firm. I think the kids really liked him for that."

Lowell Middle School

students and staff were saddened Monday afternoon when principal Jim Harden announced over the P.A. system that Stubbs had died Friday evening Oct. 29.

"The kids really liked him. We're going to miss him," Harden explained. Family discovered Stubbs' body Saturday morning. He died from an apparent heart attack Friday evening.

"John used to sit and talk in the teachers' lounge with Jack Misner and myself and eat popcorn about 1 o'clock

everyday," Bacon said. "I'm going to miss him. He had a lot to contribute."

Prior to becoming a Lowell schools security officer, Stubbs worked at General Motors and as a Grand Rapids policeman.

Stubbs also helped Cherry Creek Elementary students cross Foreman on the way to school in the morning.

Stubbs, aged 72, is survived by his children Nicholas G. and Patricia Stubbs, Toni Christine and Tyrone Cole, John R. Jr. and Betty Stubbs, and Megan Akiyama Stubbs; five grandchildren Andrea, Gerret, Toni, Devonte and John III; his former wife Kathleen; one sister Marie and Mark Redd; one brother Simon Stubbs. A memorial service will be held Friday, Nov. 5 at 11 a.m. at Fountain Street Church, Dr. Brent Smith officiating.

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## Township's ordinance spotty when involving exotic animals

••• Reports of a pet leopard living in a nearby county have Lowell Charter Township officials reviewing their local ordinance as to how it might deal with any possible future situations involving exotic animals.

By Jeffrey Redmond  
Contributing Writer

Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission is considering amending local zoning ordinances to deal with any possible future situations involving "exotic animals." This is in response to recent reports of an owner of a pet leopard, in a nearby county, living right next to an elementary school.

Township ordinances already cover prohibitions against vicious dogs, stray horses, and diseased farming livestock.

There are also provisions for unnecessary and needless cruelty to animals, as well as willful neglect of them.

But now township officials have decided to consider expanding local laws to cover other creatures. And these are ones normally found only in special cages in zoos, when not left alone out in the wilds of other continents.

"We've scheduled it for further discussion at our meeting on Nov. 8. Our township attorney certainly feels that we should take a look at this," said Richard Bryan, planning commission chairman.

There have been other reports about a pet panther getting loose in the Grand Rapids' area, when a storm blew a tree down onto its backyard fence. The owner was fined heavily when police and Humane Society workers had to recapture it.

Lowell Township currently has no specific ordinances to cover such special animals. The township board, headed by Supervisor John Timpson, plans to make only enough new

provisions to adapt local laws to adequately cover these situations. Township officials do not feel the need to make existing laws too unwieldy to be effective.

"We can't amend and amend our local ordinances beyond all recognition," said clerk Carol Wells.

There will be, however, enough of a new ordinance to cover the future possibilities of residents wanting to own a zoo animal or wild creature in the township, officials have determined. This also means that anyone suddenly having a neighbor with a "pet" such as a lion, tiger, or polar bear can involve the township government in helping to manage the crisis.

An amendment to the ordinances to also cover such exotic animals will help local authorities as well as residents, township officials are certain. Anyone concerned about animals of any kind may call the township office at 897-7600 for more information.

## Lowell High School recognizes October students of the month

Lowell High School is proud to announce the Students of the Month for October. Each month several de-

the stage manager for the all-school play and has also been involved in the Multicultural Club and powder puff foot-

Frank and Val Giuliano of Lowell. Joe is active in Students Against Drunk Driving, Amnesty International, Model U.N., National Honor Society and F.F.A. He also participates in soccer and track. He is involved in his church youth group and teaches Sunday School. He is employed at Egypt Valley Country Club. Joe's plans for next year are to study premed at Hope College. His teacher nominator said he was chosen because of his outstanding work in AP Biology class.

Terra Thurlow, a senior, is the choice of the Agriscience Department. She is the daughter of Jeanne Beachnaw of Alto. Her extracurricular activities include F.F.A. and marching band. She is employed at Kingsland's True Value in Cascade. Next year Terra plans to attend C.M.U. Her teacher nominator said Terra was chosen because of her hard work and dedication.

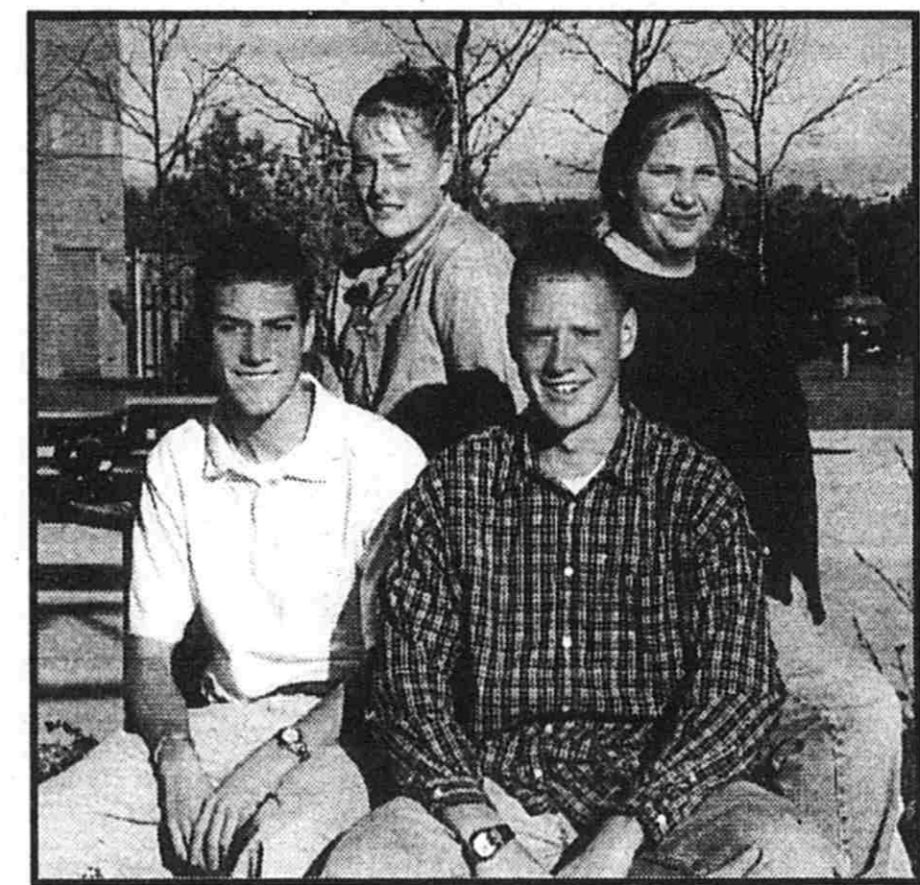
Courtney Hedlund, a senior, was selected by the Art Department. She is the daughter of Bill and Vicky Hedlund of Lowell. Her activities at L.H.S. include

SADD, Art and Drama Club, National Honor Society, International Club, F.F.A. and Rotary Club. Courtney has participated in softball, volleyball and powder puff football. She is also employed at Arnie's. College is in Courtney's plans for next year. Her teacher nominator says that she was selected for her dedication and self-motivation.

Mark Maatman, a senior, is the Technology student of the month. He is the son of James and Kathleen Maatman of Lowell. Mark is a member of National Honor Society and International Club. He also is on the track team and is a captain of the varsity soccer team. He is employed at Oakwood Cemetery. Mark's college plans include studying engineering at Michigan Tech.

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LHS October students of the month, sitting, left to right, are Joe Giuliano and Mark Maatman; standing, left to right, are Courtney Hedlund and Marisa Ueberroth. Missing from the picture is Terra Thurlow.

## Strzyzewski, third at MSU

Lowell's Michelle Strzyzewski, 15, earned a third place in the flag race and sixth place in pole bending and the cloverleaf barrel race at the 1999 Michigan State Horse Show at Michigan State University.

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# Reflections Of Faith

By Tim Harmon  
Church of the Nazarene

Early November: The Calm Before the Storm.

No two months can quite compare with November and December. Some say it's the most wonderful time of the year. Others say it's too hectic and commercialized and wish it would quiet down a bit. Opinions vary on its enjoyment. But none can deny that November and December team up to form the two most powerful months of the year.

There is nothing worse than being lonely in a room full of people. So also, it must be especially difficult to be distressed during the most wonderful time of the year. Many will be November and December highlight our shortcomings, our family failures and our losses. Anxiety

and depression invariably come.

For that reason, I am glad Thanksgiving and Christmas are a part of these months. I am not writing of the commercialized version of the holidays, but the genuine celebrations. Thanksgiving reminds us of what we still have, even in spite of the losses. We experience loss and failures. Life doesn't turn out as we planned. Sorrow confronts us.

But thanksgiving and sorrow are not mutually exclusive. Thanksgiving doesn't remove our sorrow, but it does inform it. We brush aside the tears long enough to see what

remains for which to be thankful.

Christmas, on the other hand, shows us what's ahead. Christmas gives us hope. The child born in the manger dies on the cross. On the third day, He is raised to new life. The sting of death and sin is removed. The curse of sin and cruelty and evil is broken. We are assured pain and sorrow and weeping will eventually be rendered obsolete.

I know it is still quite early to think of the Holiday season, but I wanted to make a pre-emptive strike. Any time now, the commercials will bombard us and the pace of life will accelerate. If we are going to prepare for the holidays, we better do it soon. Reflect on the Lord. Schedule in some Sabbath time, time for the Lord alone. Move Christ to the center of your activities. As we enter this powerful season, let us go forth confidently, knowing that God will be with us.

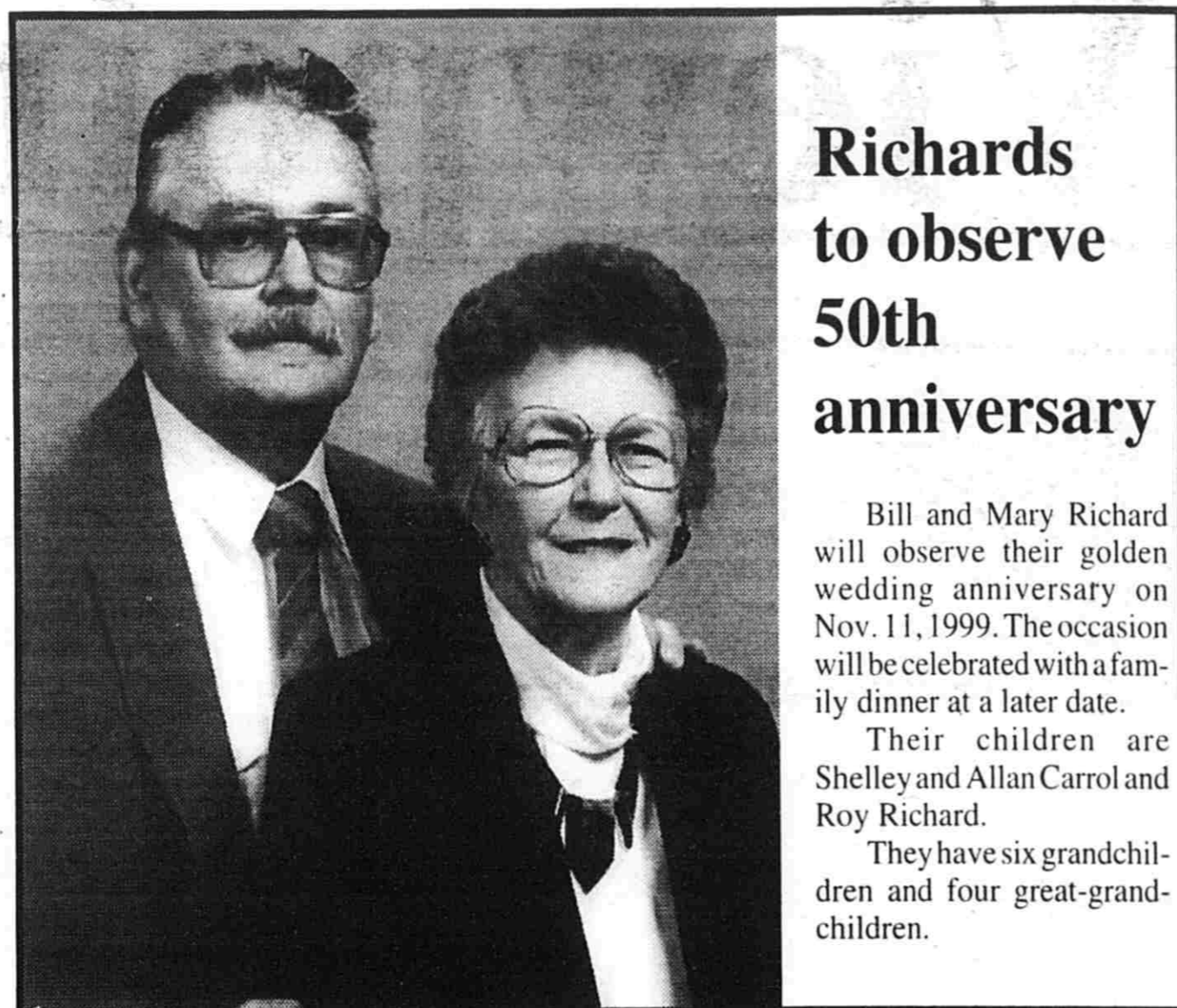
## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

NOV. 4: Ken VanderWarf, Carol Hunt, Meghan Plutschow, Laura Gildner  
NOV. 5: Mart DeYoung, Holly Stouffer.  
NOV. 6: Cathy Kehoe, Kimberly Doyle, Becky Chamberlain.  
NOV. 7: Keegan Geldersma, Charlene Butler, Kelsey Ligman, Carl Blough, Rachel Plotner.

NOV. 8: David Korte, Joe Potter, Dick Rutherford, Joshua Chamberlain.  
NOV. 9: Doris Ellis, Daryl Gildner, Angie Brown-Briggs, Roxanne Goff, Danielle Bundy, Katie Mendez, Carol Sue McGregor, Tom Mohr.  
NOV. 10: Ann Bellah, Sarah Mogor, Gary Daverman.

Always try to look like a winner, even if you are behind.

—Arthur Ashe



### Richards to observe 50th anniversary

Bill and Mary Richard will observe their golden wedding anniversary on Nov. 11, 1999. The occasion will be celebrated with a family dinner at a later date.

Their children are Shelley and Allan Carrol and Roy Richard.

They have six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

### Franciscan's Advent workshop, Nov. 13

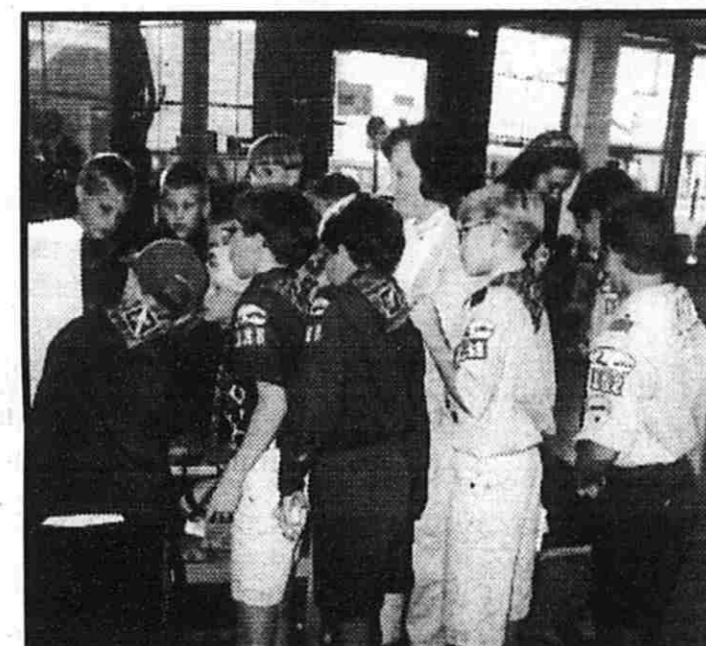
The Franciscan Life Process Center will be offering a creative and educational workshop on Advent for the whole family on Saturday, Nov. 13 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Individuals and families can create their own Advent wreath or calendar with the

help of professional artists throughout the afternoon workshop. Live medieval music and a presentation on the development and meaning of Advent in preparation for the Christmas season will be offered as well as a walk to the Franciscan Farm to see the animals. The beautiful

Christmas Storybook illustrated by Helen Caswell will also be available for sale.

The program is \$5 per person or \$25 per family. For more information please contact Sister Maura Behrenfeld, F.S.E. at 897-7842 at the Franciscan Life Process Center.



### Scouts visit Alto Library

Members of Lowell Cub Scout Pack 3188, 1st year, WeBeLoS, listen attentively as Sandy Graham of the Alto Library explains the internet card catalog to them, and how they can access it from their home computers. The Scouts were learning about methods of communication as they worked on their first Achievement Award for the year.

If you are interested in joining Cub Scouts, please contact Terry Amidon (Cub Master) at 897-8751.

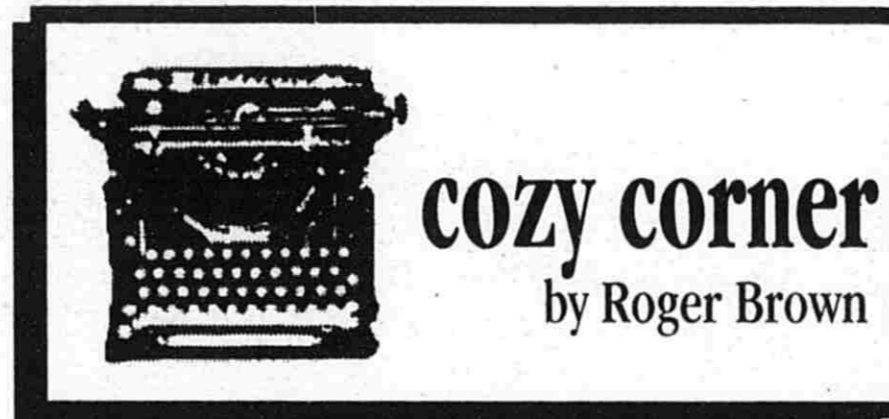
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<p><b>APOSTOLIC LIGHTHOUSE UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH</b></p> <p><b>Sunday Services 10:00 A.M.</b> at the Cherry Creek Elementary School 12675 Foreman Road, Lowell, MI 49331</p> <p>Pastor Robert L. Hubbard Phone: (616) 241-1739 email: aplighthouse@yahoo.com</p>	<p><b>LOWELL CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE</b> 201 N. Washington • 897-8800</p> <p>Sunday School.....10:00 A.M. Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M. Sunday Evening.....6:00 P.M. Wednesday Family Ministry.....7:00 P.M.</p> <p>TIMOTHY E. HARMON, Minister Staffed Nursery Provided Barrier-Free Entrance</p>	<p><b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> 2275 West Main Street • 897-7168 Internet: http://www.fbclowell.org</p> <p>Rev. Burland Margesson &amp; Rev. W. Lee Taylor</p> <p>Sun. Worship Service.....9:30 A.M. &amp; 6:00 P.M. Sunday School Hour.....11:00 A.M. AWANA/JV.....Wed. 6:15 &amp; 7 P.M.</p> <p>Contact Church Office For Prayer Meeting Times Nursery Provided • Barrier Free A Family Friendly Fellowship</p>	<p><b>ALTON BIBLE CHURCH</b> Lincoln Lake Ave. at 3 Mile Road 897-5648</p> <p>Sunday School.....10:00 A.M. Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M. Evening Praise.....6:00 P.M. Wednesday AWANA.....7:00 P.M. (Sept. - April)</p> <p>Prayer and Bible Study.....7:00 P.M. Pastor Ken Ford (Home) 897-6418 YOU ARE WELCOME!</p>	<p><b>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> (United Church of Christ) 404 North Hudson • 897-5906</p> <p>Worship and Church School.....10:00 A.M. Dr. Roger LaWarre.....Pastor Cindy Talcott.....Christian Ed Director Megan Culver.....Music Director Barrier-Free.....Nursery Provided</p>

# Viewpoint . . .



## cozy corner by Roger Brown

Last week's column about contact lenses for this faging writer turned out to be much ado about nothing. To bring you up to speed, I flunked the vision test portion of my biannual flight physical. I was 20/20 for close work, but a 20/50 or worse trying to read far away. For flying I could read the instrument panel, but couldn't see things out the window. Airports and other airplanes, for example.

I went straight to an optometrist where I was fitted with bifocal long wear contact lenses that were slightly staggered in strength for a monovision effect. With the contacts in place I was able to pass my flight physical but was not happy with the compromise I had to make with my 20/20 near vision. I had trouble reading and there was a very real problem with trying to get used to all this bifocal monovision stuff. My brain didn't seem to be able to decide which eye it was supposed to believe.

This is about where I left you with last week's column. Shortly after writing the piece, I went to the optometrist for a scheduled visit to check on my progress with the contacts. The doctor wasn't in, but his son, also an optometrist, was covering for him. The son immediately began asking me thinly veiled questions that led me to believe he didn't think I should be wearing contacts. He'd say stuff like, "Didn't anyone talk to you about glasses? Are you finding out contacts aren't for everyone?" Didn't take a rocket scientist to figure out where he was heading with these questions.

Finally he came right out and asked me why I had contacts instead of glasses. I said, "Because your dad and my wife told me to." The next thing you know, the long-wear-bifocal monovision contact lenses were in the trash and I was trying on glasses. Cool! I could see to read again and I didn't get seasick if I looked around the room.

About nine out of ten guys my age begin having trouble with their vision because their arms become too short to read the newspaper or a menu. They get "cheaters" that they keep

in their pocket for reading. Since I'm just the opposite, which is pretty much how my life seems to go in most respects, I need cheaters to pull out of my pocket when I'm driving, flying or really important stuff like trying to read the football score in the little box in the corner of the TV screen.

The young optometrist warned me that I would likely become tired of putting my glasses on and taking them off, not being able to find them when I need them, etc. He said I'd probably be back for bifocals, but for now we're going to try this "cheater" route.

The only big disappointment about not getting the contacts is the fact I won't be able to choose from their Halloween selection. They had special contacts that whited out the pupil. I was going to get those and wear them all the time. Then I could pull into handicapped parking spaces. If anybody said anything about me parking there, I could point to my eyes and tell them I am blind. Shrewd people might wonder how a blind person could drive, but chances are they wouldn't press the issue with a handicapped person.

Now that the decision to get glasses had been made, the only thing left was to pick out frames. Have you been to an optometrist's office lately? They have such a huge selection it's worse than trying to pick out wallpaper.

My wife had been waiting patiently in the car. When I was placed in a chair out front with all the frames, she could see what was going on, and came right in. Of course, she wanted to pick out my frames. I wear big, clunky Ray Ban Wayfarer II's for sunglasses and thought something similar would be just right for glasses. You know, the Drew Carey look. That idea didn't fly at all. Since my wife has to look at me more than I have to look at myself, I let her and the woman helping us have their way with me.

The process was relatively painless and didn't take as long as you might expect. I probably didn't try on more than several dozen pairs of glasses. In fact, maybe it only seemed like several dozen. It may have been far less than that. I don't know because I went into the same sort of Twilight Zone I go into whenever clothes shopping with my wife.

The end result was a pair of lightweight wire-rims with oval lenses and matching clip-on sunglasses. The wire is gunmetal gray and the lenses have a light gray tint to match my hair. Twenty years ago I could never have imagined I'd be buying gray glasses to match my gray hair. Like I said in last week's column, this getting old stuff ain't for sissies!



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

**125 YEARS THE WEEKLY JOURNAL NOV. 4, 1874 MISSING; INSTEAD, NOV. 1, 1871**  
"Columns of hot water three hundred feet high are among the wonders of the Yellowstone Valley in Wyoming. They surpass the geysers of California."

The disastrous fires in Chicago and Michigan have bankrupted insurance companies, so the misery spreads to local people also.

Holland, Michigan, puts out a public appeal for aid and materials to repair and rebuild in the wake of its destruction by fire.

Miss Lizzie Richards of Grand Rapids has entered the Medical Department of the University of Ann Arbor.

### 100 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER NOV. 2, 1899

Wm. F. Kelley of Co. F. 12th U. S. Infantry, writes to his sister from the Philippines about fighting the natives and taking towns near Luzon.

Some women are not carrying purses because suits are made with many small pockets.

A Kansas man weighing 135 pounds has carried 150 pounds of flour three miles, thereby winning \$20.

A column discusses famous men's ears and how they are related to the person's character.

"Mrs. \_\_\_ is taking care of her husband's mother at Muskegon. The old lady is expected to pass away at any time."

### 75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER AND THE ALTO SOLO OCT. 30, 1924

The Ledger typesetter misprints a price for C. Thomas Store, and Editor Johnson offers to cover the loss if the error is explained to customers. Only seven customers demand the bargain as advertised.

Rockford wins the Kent County football title from Lowell in the "greatest ever battle fought between the old rivals."

Township supervisors McPherson and Yeiter help put through a county road-building program, one benefit of which will be improving, to 12' wide gravel, the road from Lowell through Vergennes Township to the Grattan line. At present it is one of the worst roads out of Lowell.

A 400-mile stretch of concrete highway from Chicago to Traverse City will be complete by next July.

Virtually all of the nation's chestnut trees have been destroyed by blight.

### 50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER NOV. 3, 1949

Vern Good invents a hot-molasses mixing unit for his portable feed grinder.

Hunters are blamed for a fire in Sam Detmer's woodlot.

A Latvian family comes from a displaced persons' camp in Austria to settle on the Ralph White farm as farm operators.

The South Boston Grange chorus, Lakeside quartette of Lake Odessa and Ionia Pomona Grange chorus all win honors in the state competition at Jackson.

Lowell Mfg. Co., now owned by Hudson Sprayers, Elmer Schaefer the resident agent, has led in the manufacture of sprayers and dusters for 53 years.

### 25 YEARS LOWELL LEDGER AND SUBURBAN LIFE OCT. 31, 1974

The Community Development Act of 1974 can make possible a \$4-5 million remake of Lowell's business district, with demolition of old unwanted buildings and many new ones, open green areas on both sides of the river, a new City Hall and low-income senior housing in the flood plain.

Lowell's population is expected to reach 3,600 by 1980 and 4,780 by 2000.

Gerald R. Ford is welcomed on his first presidential trip home to Grand Rapids by four separate parades converging at Calder Plaza.

Employees of Attwood Corp. wait in the parking lot most of a morning while a bomb threat is investigated.

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



### CARPAL TUNNEL SYNDROME

Carpal tunnel syndrome is one of the most common peripheral nerve injuries seen in the family doctor's office. The carpal tunnel is located on the flexor aspect of the wrist at the base of the hand. The "tunnel" is bordered by the wrist bones and a connective tissue band. The tendons of the hand pass through the carpal tunnel along with the medial nerve. Overuse can lead to inflammation and swelling of the tendons resulting in compression and irritation of the nerve. Symptoms of carpal tunnel include pain, tingling, and numbness of the thumb and first three fingers. The pain can sometimes extend from the hand up to the elbow and shoulder. Pain often gets worse at night and can waken you from a sound sleep.

Carpal tunnel syndrome is usually due to overuse or repetitive strain of the wrist. Factory workers and individuals that work on computer keyboards are at higher risk for developing carpal tunnel syndrome.

Treatment of carpal tunnel syndrome consists of avoiding repetitive trauma to the region and decreasing inflammation. A splint may be worn to keep the wrist from bending and placing more pressure on the nerve. Anti-inflammatory agents like ibuprofen or naproxyn are often prescribed.

Occasionally your physician will inject the carpal tunnel with a steroid to reduce tendon swelling. If conservative methods are unsuccessful, surgery is usually recommended to relieve pressure on the median nerve. Newer laparoscopic surgical techniques allow for faster healing and a rapid return to full activity.

You can help prevent carpal tunnel syndrome by stretching the fingers and wrist before and during repetitive work. Try to alternate tasks to avoid repetitive movement of the wrists. A computer work station should include an adjustable keyboard and a wrist rest to minimize pressure on your wrist.

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*Sharing The Vision*  
PETER L. GUSTAFSON  
Lowell Board of Education President

The Wege Foundation Natural Area for the Study of Ecology was dedicated in Vergennes Township on October 15. This beautiful 60-acre parcel lies just to the east of the now vacant land owned by the school district across from the high school. The Wege Natural Area has unique and valuable features, with wooded, rolling terrain, a small stream and interesting wetlands.

The project was made possible by the generosity of several people. First, the owners of the property, Reg and Diane Cridler-Lowell natives who now live in Colorado - wanted to see their property protected for future generations to appreciate.

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# CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

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

For the Regular Meeting of MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 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 and Public Works Director Daniel DesJarden, Police Chief James Valentine and Waste Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Mark Mundt.

Mayor Thompson welcomed Boy Scout Troop 102 to the City Council meeting.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by BLOUGH that the minutes of the October 4, 1999 meeting be approved as corrected.  
YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

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

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (10/18/99)	
GENERAL FUND	\$ 148,195.41
MAJOR STREET FUND	80.48
LOCAL STREET FUND	80.46
DDA FUND	87,262.43
CITY HALL CONSTRUCTION FUND	6,123.50
AIRPORT FUND	5,733.56
WASTEWATER FUND	53,660.54
WATER FUND	21,178.33
EQUIPMENT FUND	2,597.42
CURRENT TAXES	11,447.53

Councilmember Myers questioned if the check written in the amount of \$ 1,037.16 to W.J. Wheeler, CPA was an audit function. Police Chief Valentine responded it was for Police Department ammunition.

Councilmember Blough questioned the unallocated expenses from the Appropriation Control Report. He asked if there were any additional charges occurring against this account, noting the budget shows it is 195.89% over the year's budget for the first three months. Pasquale responded Treasurer Suzanne Olin would provide a report to the Council concerning this issue.

Myers questioned if this was a miscellaneous account. Pasquale responded yes. There are certain items, which do not particularly fit within other funds.

**Item #1. CITY HALL - POLICE STATION PROJECT - CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVE DESIGN STUDY AND REVIEW OF LETTER TO VFW.** As discussed at the October 11, 1999 work session, the Council discussed various issues concerning the City Hall - Police Station Project, particularly in light of property acquisition needs.

City Manager Pasquale stated a letter has been sent to Lowell Public Schools Superintendent Bert Bleke concerning the securing of property on the north side of Avery, immediately east of the residential properties already acquired. Bleke indicated positive feedback is being received from the Board.

Additionally, in reviewing various locations for the Police Station, Pasquale proposed a study be provided from Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and Huber in the amount of \$4,000. This alternative design would allow the Police Station to be located on the northeast section of Avery and North Monroe.

Pasquale noted a letter was prepared to send to the VFW regarding the proposed acquisition of the post building and parking lot. Pasquale also stated the appraisal on this property should be completed shortly.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to approve a contract with Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and

Huber to proceed with an alternative design study to develop and evaluate a plan which would locate the Police Station directly north of City Hall across Avery Street costing \$4,000. Further, the proposed letter to the VFW was approved.  
YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Thompson suggested waiting until the appraisal and land survey have been completed before sending the letter to the VFW. Pasquale noted Kevin Roosen has been authorized to prepare a survey for the City Hall property. He noted there have been disagreements concerning City boundaries and believed one was needed.

**Item #2. CUSTODIAL SERVICES FOR THE CITY HALL, POLICE STATION AND LIBRARY.** Bids for cleaning services covering the City Hall, Police Station and Library were recently advertised.  
Only one was received. Clean and Sweep Maintenance Services of Lowell (Jeff Walker, owner) submitted a contract proposal of \$8,980 yearly (one year). Deputy Clerk Betty Morlock has reviewed the bid and checked references. Pasquale and Morlock recommended the City enter into a one-year contract with Clean and Sweep Maintenance Services.

Thompson asked if there were any cleaning specifications. Morlock responded yes.

Councilmember Myers stated Clean and Sweep Maintenance Services has been cleaning both Huntington Bank locations for the past few years and is very responsible.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by BLOUGH to accept the bid from Clean and Sweep Maintenance Services in the amount of \$8,980 to clean City Hall, Police Station and Library for a period of one year.  
YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item #3. CONSIDERATION OF STREET AND SIDEWALK MASTER PLAN.** Four engineering firms were contacted to establish a plan for evaluating and establish improvement priorities to streets and sidewalks. Two of the firms who submitted documentation were:

Rowe Incorporated Street Sidewalk Plan	\$10,000
	4,000
	\$ 14,000
completion time - 3 months	
Williams & Works Street Sidewalk Plan	\$12,000
	4,000
	\$ 16,000
completion time - 14 weeks	
BUDGET: Street Fund	\$10,000
Sidewalks-General Fund	\$4,000

Both DPW Director Dan DesJarden and Pasquale had the opportunity to review both proposals. Each has an excellent reputation and submitted a very good proposal. Based on cost, DesJarden and Pasquale recommended Rowe Incorporated be provided a contract to carry out the Street and Sidewalk Master Plan.

DesJarden believed the City would benefit greatly if a plan was established concerning improvements to streets and sidewalks. He stated this would provide the City with a third party opinion. DesJarden noted both proposals were presented well.

Councilmember Blough questioned if the firms would supply a spreadsheet with a rating system, which could be manipulated. DesJarden responded yes, both proposals would provide a rating system to determine which streets need repair.

Councilmember Myers asked if the systems would consist of a computerized map. DesJarden responded yes, this would be color-coded.

Myers inquired if the firms would work around any trees which happened to be in the path of a future sidewalk. Pasquale did not believe this much detail had been considered. He said the engineering firm reviews areas in need of a sidewalk.

Mayor Thompson questioned if the study would consider placing sidewalks on only one side of the road. Pasquale responded this could be recommended.

Myers asked if any representatives from either firm were present. Pasquale responded Dave Austin from Williams & Works.

Thompson noted the City of Frankenmuth has sidewalks on only one side of the sidewalk, once outside the town.

DesJarden noted both proposals were received very well. He stated each firm itemized their work schedule, which included public meetings and presentations to the Council.

Myers questioned if the bid received from Williams & Works explained a 14-week completion time. DesJarden responded there were a number of circumstances which would allow either firm to complete the project before or after the intended completion date. Myers inquired if it were a case where the City would get more time for the money.

Blough asked if Rowe Incorporated had ever completed a study similar to this. Pasquale responded yes, both firms have undertaken these studies before and have good recommendations.

Dave Austin from Williams & Works stated there is a wide range of funds spent when studying a project such as this. He noted the firm would typically look at what the City has budgeted. He said the budget indicated \$ 12,000 for street improvements and \$4,000 for sidewalk improvements. He wanted the Council to consider this explanation.

Councilmember Blough thought this information was a little disconcerting to him.

Councilmember Shores appreciated Austin's presence and wished a representative from Rowe Incorporated had been present. She noted the policy in the past has been to take the lowest bid if the services were comparable.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to accept the proposal from Rowe Incorporated in the amount of \$14,000 to provide the Street and Sidewalk Master Plan.  
YEA: 3. (Councilmembers Green, Shores and Mayor Thompson)  
NAY: 2. (Councilmembers Blough and Myers)  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Blough questioned if these were two competitive bids or if each firm based the bids on what the City budget was.

Thompson asked how the budget was established. Pasquale responded the City investigated several firms and used budgeted amounts. He noted these amounts are used for a guideline.

Myers clarified each firm had been supplied the proper specifications. Pasquale responded these were supplied with information concerning the major and local streets. There were no strict specifications regarding the sidewalk program.

Myers asked if Austin understood this was a bid process. Austin explained engineering firms do not normally shop for price. He understood many municipal areas would seek bids for a project such as this. Austin said the last few engineering projects submitted by the City of Lowell have not included a written request for proposals explaining what should be submitted. He stated the quotes received would be representative to the amount of time each consultant had assumed.

Austin noted his firm does not quote a project based on the budget amount. However, they are cognizant of a municipal budget.

He asked the Council to consider having future proposals submitted in writing. He believed more consistent proposals would then be received.

Councilmember Green noted both proposals and deliverables were very similar.

**Item #4. MERS RETIREMENT BENEFIT INCREASE FOR RETIREES.** As adopted for the last ten years by Council, a 2% compound benefit increase for cost of living has been provided for retirees. After reviewing the issue with Assistant Finance Director/Investment Officer

# City approves recommendation to eliminate unsightly wires and cable from historical area of downtown

By J. N. Boorsma  
Contributing Writer

The city of Lowell is out to clean up unsightly lines... the wiring, cable and conduits that now adorn some of the downtown buildings.

The move, which was unanimously recommended by the Lowell Planning Commission was approved by the city council Monday night, in an effort to maintain the downtown area's historical character, said planning commission chair, Dan Brubaker.

"One of the business owners working on an extensive remodeling project had made the comment that having these lines does take away from the historical character of the area," said city manager, David Pasquale. The Lowell Historical Commission agreed.

The historical commission turned to the planning commission to acquire a zoning ordinance amendment that would eliminate new outside wiring, cable and conduits on buildings in the downtown area, which is in the city's historical district.

This change would affect any new or renovated buildings. Outside lines would be allowed to connect to a building, but most go straight into the facility and not loop around the outside, Pasquale explained.

After receiving no comments at the planning commission's

public hearing on the zoning ordinance amendment, the planning commission voted to recommend the change to the city council. The change would include all wires, cable, conduits or

similar articles used in connection with providing electricity, gas, telephone, cable television, fiber optics or similar service on the exterior walls of buildings and structures.

## COLLEGE NEWS

Megan B. Odell, of Lowell, was among 265 new first-year and transfer students who have enrolled at Syracuse University College of Law for the 1999-2000 academic year.

The Syracuse University College of Law offers innovative approaches to the study of law built on the framework of traditional legal education. Its nationally recognized curriculum provides the three

components of a high-quality legal education: acquisition of knowledge of legal theory, doctrine, procedure and institutions; development of professional skills; and exposure to the values and ethics of the legal profession.

Students bridge the gap between theory and practice through a variety of applied learning opportunities.

Officially chartered in 1870 as a private, coeduca-

tional institution of higher education, Syracuse University is a leading student-centered research university.

### Vergennes Twp. purchases office furniture

Vergennes Township approved a contract agreement with Kentwood Office Furniture for the installation of an additional office.

The office will be used by Vergennes Township supervisor Tim Wittenbach. The office he is currently using will be filled by zoning administrator, Jeannie Vandersloot.

The cost for the additional office space from Kentwood Office Furniture is \$2,952.57.

The township will also purchase two additional office chairs for \$350.

# CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Char McNab, City Manager Pasquale has recommended the City adopt a 2% increase effective January 1, 2000 for retirees through the Municipal Employees' Retirement System.

Councilmember Myers clarified the increase would be \$2,180 for 16 retirees.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by BLOUGH to support the 2% cost of living increase through the MERS Retirement System for the retirees effective January 1, 2000.  
YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item #5. MONTHLY REPORTS.** The following monthly reports were provided:

City Manager Activity/Public Budget	Works/Police Building/Fire
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Councilmember Myers questioned the additional surcharges and fines charged to Chadalee Farms/Litehouse Inc. over the past year. He noted the discussions held concerning their waste output. Myers also requested an update of the progress from Chadalee/Litehouse Inc.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Mark Mundt stated Chadalee Farms/Litehouse Inc. intends to meet the January 1, 2001 deadline placed. In the meantime, much of the discharge has already been cleaned. However, the company still continues to exceed the maximum allowed.

As recommended by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), fines have been added to the monthly surcharge fee.

Mayor Thompson questioned who receives the funds paid on the fines. Pasquale believed the funds are being deposited into the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund. He noted the DEQ could fine the City if nothing is done.

Thompson wanted Litehouse/Chadalee Farm to update the City with the progression of the project in writing.

Myers noted the article he read in the Grand Rapids Press concerning water quality. He requested a written response from Water Treatment Plant Superintendent George Regan comparing Lowell's water quality with the City of Grand Rapids.

Myers also noted the seven new building permits issued for 1.1 million dollars within the Commercial District and 21 permits were issued for 1.2 million dollars in new residential permits so far this year.

**Item #6. CITIZEN COMMENTS.** No comments were received.

**Item #7. COUNCIL COMMENTS.** Councilmember Green commented on request for proposals. He asked if it would be possible to have a copy of the request for proposals with those received. He felt this would assist the decision making process.

Councilmember Blough commented on a letter received from the County Commissioners asking for a recommendation for nominations to the Board of Public Works. In particular, it stated two of the Commissioners (Beverly Rekeny for the townships and Paul McGuire for the small cities) have expressed interest in being re-appointed. Blough requested information regarding these two Commissioners. He asked if this could be submitted for Commissioners Rekeny and Commissioner McGuire before the next meeting.

Mayor Thompson wanted attendance records from meetings these Commissioners have attended.

**ITEM #8. MANAGER'S REPORT.** City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:

1. The following meetings minutes were provided:

- Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce meeting of September 8, 1999
- Parks and Recreation Commission meeting of September 11, 1999

2. A letter was received from the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) stating a preliminary traffic signal study at the intersection of M-21, Washington, Jefferson and Monroe had been conducted. Based on information received, MDOT's recommendation was not to proceed with a comprehensive traffic study due to lack of traffic levels.

Mayor Thompson asked if MDOT would consider the installation of a traffic arrow at the intersection of Hudson and Main St. Pasquale responded the request has been submitted, but have yet to receive a response. Thompson suggested the letter be submitted again.

3. A meeting is scheduled on Thursday, October 28, 7:15 p.m. at the Board Room of Administration Building to determine the feasibility and purpose of a Recreational Authority.

Representatives from the Lowell Area Schools, Lowell and Vergennes Townships and the City have been invited.

4. An article was submitted to the Lowell Ledger regarding the proposed charter amendments for publication.

Councilmember Blough suggested the amendments be explained to the public. Pasquale stated the City Charter was created and approved in 1960 when Lowell became a City. The purpose of the Charter is to provide guidance on how a city government should operate. Pasquale noted the Charter can be amended from time to time by a vote of the people. Further, any changes must be

reviewed by the Attorney General's Office in Lansing to ensure the changes are proper.

Pasquale stated the City Council decided to propose two Charter amendments last spring. The first involves compensation for the Planning Commissioners and the second amendment would allow an additional month for payment of summer property taxes.

Currently, the Commissioners are not compensated for their difficult work. Pasquale noted there are many times where they must meet more than once a month. Each meeting could last between two and three hours. The Commissioners deal with many difficult issues, such as rezoning and site plan reviews.

Mayor Thompson questioned the amount of compensation being proposed. Pasquale was unsure but stated the Councilmembers are currently being compensated \$25 a meeting or a maximum of \$625 per year. He noted the Mayor receives \$30 per meeting or \$720 a year.

Blough noted many communities compensate their Planning Commissioners including Lowell and Vergennes Townships.

Pasquale explained the deadline for property taxes would be changed from July 31 to August 31.

The issues would be brought before the voters at the November 2, 1999 election. Pasquale noted the Council has recommended these issues be adopted.

Linda Tabor of 13413 Forest River questioned if the selection of the Mayor would be placed on the ballot. Mayor Thompson responded this would take much time to change the selection process. Deputy Clerk Morlock stated the amendment would need to be presented to the Attorney General.

Thompson explained the Councilmembers are elected by the people. They in turn select a Mayor from the membership. He said the first meeting in January, City Manager Pasquale will act as Mayor while the other Councilmembers vote on a new Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem.

Under general consensus, the Council agreed to submit the article concerning the proposed Charter amendments to the Lowell Ledger. Councilmember Myers suggested the word "babysitting" be changed to "childcare".

**ITEM #9. APPOINTMENTS.** Mayor Thompson noted the vacancy on the Airport Board. Pasquale noted there seems to be one individual who is interested.

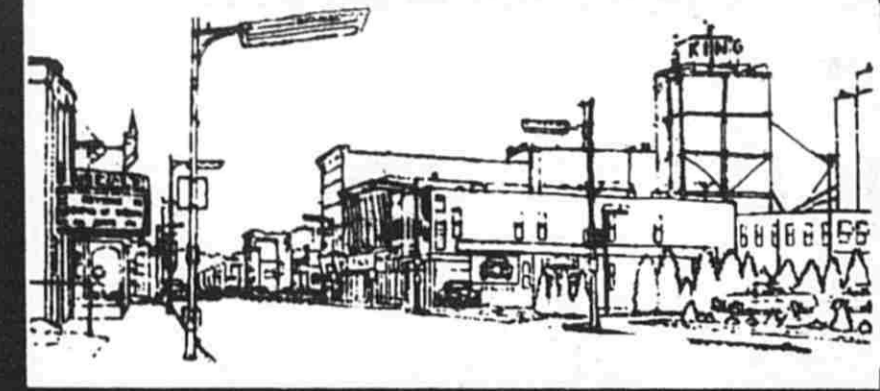
IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 8:25 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: Monday, November 1, 1999

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



### Along Main Street



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#### LASSO TRYOUTS HELD AT CREEKSIDE PARK

The Lowell Area Select Soccer Organization will be holding tryouts for open roster spots for the spring 2000 session U-11 and U-12 boys teams at Creekside Park at 9 a.m. this Saturday, Nov. 6. For more information call Dale Hanson at 897-5045.

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

sample. The remaining participants did not identify any of the water samples tasted.

"The water we provide to our citizens is not surpassed by that purchased elsewhere," Regan claimed.

The superintendent said the taste of a resident's tap water is often affected by internal plumbing problems, such as water sitting in the main over a period of time (lack of use) thus absorbing the characteristic of the pipe and screens not being cleaned.

"I think the students were surprised they could not tell the difference," Regan said.

The superintendent noted that other tests are performed on an annual basis by the MDEQ and/or Prein & Newhof Engineering. The Lowell Water Treatment plant which tests for metals and volatile organics has not detected any in samples taken.

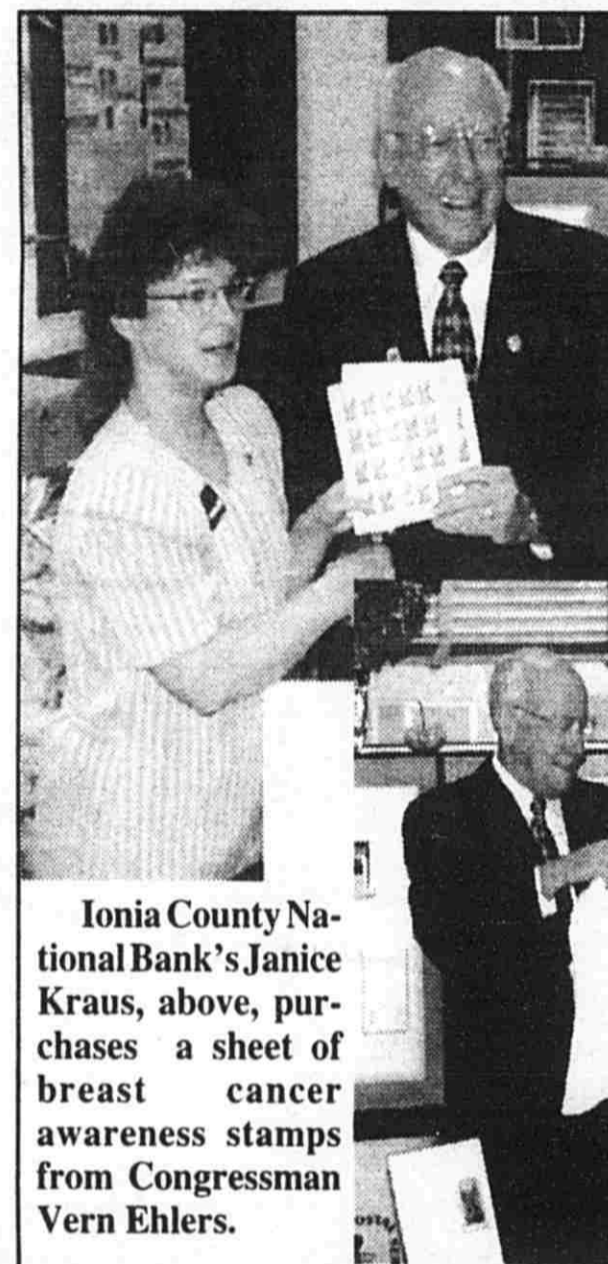
"I wouldn't hesitate to participate in any state water taste contest," Regan concluded.

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

In this case, Tschannen and Thomas make it clear that they will be the end receivers, which does not fit the definition of wholesale, he said. Since the planning commission has the authority to interpret the zoning ordinance, Thomas and

Tschannen do not have to go before the City Council.

"The planning commission will notify the ATF of its decision," Brubaker concluded.



### Ehlers helps raise breast cancer awareness

One year ago the U.S. Postal Service issued the Breast Cancer Research "semipostal" stamp, the first U.S. postage stamp in history to have its net proceeds from sales earmarked for research organizations.

"Postal employees around the nation have embraced this effort and have demonstrated an outpouring of dedication to this worthy cause," says Postmaster General William Henderson.

"We are seeing tremendous initiatives in all of our cities from postal employees whose hard work and desire to help promote social awareness of this deadly disease have resulted in \$7.8 million raised for research so far," Henderson said.

Breast cancer is considered the most commonly diagnosed cancer among women in every major ethnic group in the U.S. Experts say when breast cancer is diagnosed early (stages 1 & 2), five-year survival rates are nearly 95 percent and there are better options for breast conserving surgery.

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Postmaster Sylvia Taylor presents Vern Ehlers with a "Fund the Fight - Find a Cure" for breast cancer T-shirt.

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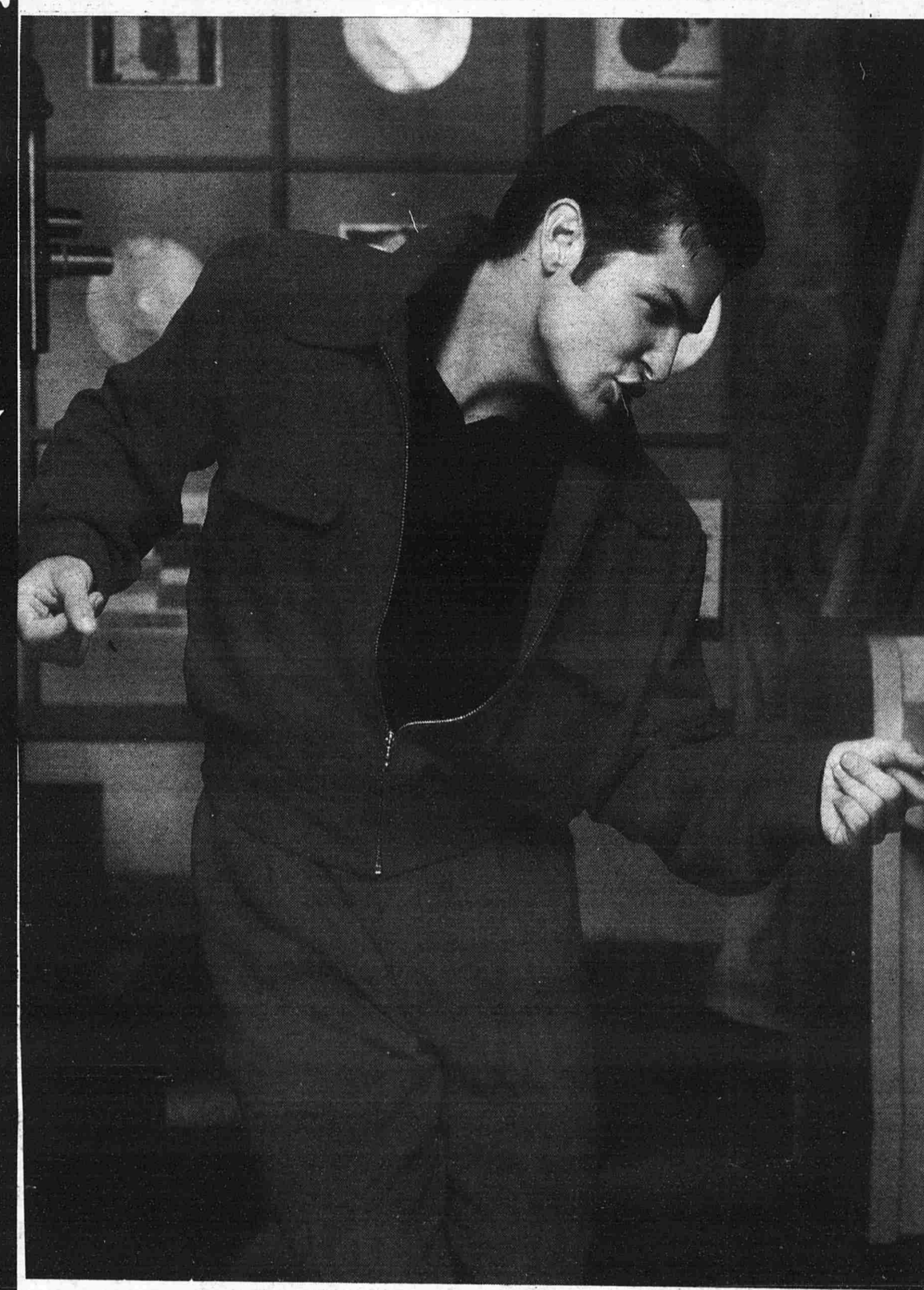
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### FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 5 THRU NOVEMBER 11

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MONDAY - FRIDAY AFTERNOONS NOVEMBER 5, 1999 - NOVEMBER 11, 1999. Table with columns for time slots (12:00-6:30) and rows for Broadcast Channels (WVMT, WOTV, etc.) and Cable Channels (FX, FAM, etc.).

FRIDAY EVENING NOVEMBER 5, 1999. Table with columns for time slots (7:00-11:30) and rows for Broadcast Channels (WVMT, WOTV, etc.) and Cable Channels (FX, FAM, etc.).

Advertisement for WITTEMBACH LUBE, OIL CHANGE, FILTER. Includes logo, price \$17.95, and contact information for Aurora - Olds - Pontiac - GMC.







SATURDAY EVENING / LATENIGHT NOVEMBER 6, 1999. Table with columns for time slots (7:00-4:30) and rows for various TV channels (WVMT, WOTV, WGVU, etc.) listing program titles and descriptions.

CABLE CHANNELS

Cable channels section listing various channels (FX, FAM, MTV, etc.) and their corresponding program titles and descriptions.

PREMIUM CHANNELS

Premium channels section listing channels like SHOW, HBO, TMC, etc. and their featured programs.

SUNDAY MORNING NOVEMBER 7, 1999. Table with columns for time slots (5:00-11:30) and rows for various TV channels (WVMT, WOTV, WGVU, etc.) listing program titles and descriptions.

CABLE CHANNELS

Cable channels section for Sunday morning listing various channels and their program titles.

PREMIUM CHANNELS

Premium channels section for Sunday morning listing channels like SHOW, HBO, TMC, etc.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON NOVEMBER 7, 1999

Sunday Afternoon section listing various TV channels (WVMT, WOTV, WGVU, etc.) and their program titles.

CABLE CHANNELS

Cable channels section for Sunday afternoon listing various channels and their program titles.

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SUNDAY EVENING / LATE NIGHT NOVEMBER 7, 1999. Table with columns for time slots (7:00-4:30) and rows for various channels (WVMT, WOV, WGVU, etc.) listing broadcast programs.

CABLE CHANNELS. Table listing cable channels and their corresponding broadcast programs.

PREMIUM CHANNELS. Table listing premium channels and their corresponding broadcast programs.

MONDAY EVENING NOVEMBER 8, 1999. Table with columns for time slots (7:00-11:30) and rows for various channels (WVMT, WOV, WGVU, etc.) listing broadcast programs.

CABLE CHANNELS. Table listing cable channels and their corresponding broadcast programs.

PREMIUM CHANNELS. Table listing premium channels and their corresponding broadcast programs.

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THURSDAY EVENING		NOVEMBER 11, 1999										
		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
<b>BROADCAST CHANNELS</b>												
WMT	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Diagnosis Murder "The Mouth That Roared" A radio host is accused of killing the woman who gave her up for adoption. (In Stereo)	Chicago Hope (In Stereo)	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)					
WOTV	Star Trek: Voyager "Someone to Watch Over Me" The Doctor teaches Seven of Nine about dating, slow dancing and singing. (In Stereo)	Whose Line Is It Anyway? (In Stereo)	Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? (In Stereo)	Wasteland (In Stereo)	20/20 Downtown	News	Nightline					
WGUV	Newshour With Jim Lehrer	Fred Frost's Practical Sportsman	This Old House Installing new windows.	Michigan Out-of-Doors	Fly Fishing	Mystery! "Mrs. Bradley Mysteries" A woman's fiancé is murdered at their engagement party. (In Stereo)	Pete Peterson: Assignment Hanoi (In Stereo)					
WXMI	Drew Carey "The Bully You Know" Drew hires a bully to replace Mimi. (In Stereo)	Seinfeld "The Sponge" A birth control crisis for Elaine. (In Stereo)	When Good Pets Go Bad 2 (In Stereo)	Greedy: The Multi-Million Dollar Challenge (In Stereo)	News	Fraser "To Tell the Truth" Fraser has Niles hire a legal shark. (In Stereo)	Drew Carey "Steve and Mimi" Drew lays off his brother. (In Stereo)	M*A*S*H "Father's Day" Margaret's father visits Korea. (In Stereo)				
WOOD	Inside Edition	Friends Joey's girlfriend gets physical. (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	Jesse (In Stereo)	Fraser "A Tar Is Born" Martin's Russian clock. (In Stereo)	Stark Raving Mad (In Stereo)	ER (In Stereo)	News	Tonight Show (In Stereo)			
WLNS	Entertainment Tonight (In Stereo)	Hollywood Squares (In Stereo)	Diagnosis Murder "The Mouth That Roared" A radio host is accused of killing the woman who gave her up for adoption. (In Stereo)	Chicago Hope (In Stereo)	48 Hours (In Stereo)	News	Late Show (In Stereo)					
WILX	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Friends (In Stereo)	Jesse (In Stereo)	Fraser "A Tar Is Born" Martin's Russian clock. (In Stereo)	Stark Raving Mad (In Stereo)	ER (In Stereo)	News	Tonight Show (In Stereo)			
WTLJ	Marriage and Family Magazine	Dwight Elijah	TCT Today	Hal Lindsey	Hour of Healing (In Stereo)	Praise the Lord (Live)						
WKAR	Newshour With Jim Lehrer	Fred Frost's Practical Sportsman	Michigan Out-of-Doors	This Old House Installing new windows.	Origins With Burt Wolf "The Cayman Islands" The Cayman Islands.	Mystery! "Mrs. Bradley Mysteries" A woman's fiancé is murdered at their engagement party. (In Stereo)	Michigan Out-of-Doors (R)					
WZZM	Entertainment Tonight (In Stereo)	Hollywood Squares (In Stereo)	Whose Line Is It Anyway? (In Stereo)	Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? (In Stereo)	Wasteland (In Stereo)	20/20 Downtown	News	Nightline				
WSYM	Home Improvement "Tim's First Car" Tim's first car is junked. (In Stereo)	Fraser "To Tell the Truth" Fraser has Niles hire a legal shark. (In Stereo)	When Good Pets Go Bad 2 (In Stereo)	Greedy: The Multi-Million Dollar Challenge (In Stereo)	News	Fraser "Halloween" Niles has a Halloween costume party. (In Stereo)	Mad About You "Win a Free Car" Ira's business takes a dive. (In Stereo)	Blind Date				
WZPX	Roswell "285 South" A haunting vision causes Michael to take a road trip with Maria's stolen car. (In Stereo)	It's a Miracle A stranger's quick thinking saves a car accident victim.	Touched by an Angel "The Man Upstairs" The devil, posing as Monica, tricks a man into selling his soul. (In Stereo)	Diagnosis Murder "Murder, My Sule" A deadly microbe is deliberately released at an elegant hotel. (In Stereo)	Highway to Heaven "Oh Lucky Man" Con artists targets Mark and Jonathan after Mark wins \$5 million. (In Stereo)							
<b>CABLE CHANNELS</b>												
FX	M*A*S*H "A Full Rich Day"	M*A*S*H "Check-Up"	NYPD Blue "Top Gum" A retired cop is hired to protect a murder victim's sexual secret. (In Stereo)	X-Files "Bad Blood" Mulder and Scully try to explain their roles in a twisted killing. (In Stereo)	Married... With Children (In Stereo)	Married... With Children "The Agony of DeFeet"	X Show					
FAM	Extraordinary World of Animals (In Stereo)	Random Acts of Comedy (In Stereo)	"Protocol" **1/2 (1984, Comedy) Goldie Hawn, Chris Sarandon, Andre Gregory. A naive waitress saves a visiting diplomat's life. (In Stereo)	Houdini: Unlocking His Secrets Magicians perform some of Houdini's famous illusions. (R) (In Stereo)	700 Club							
MTV	Celebrity Deathmatch	Tom Green (In Stereo)	TRL (R) (In Stereo)	Head Trip (In Stereo)	Celebrity Deathmatch	Tom Green (In Stereo)	Loveline (In Stereo)					
VH1	List (In Stereo)	Cher (In Stereo)	Cher... at the Mirage (R) (In Stereo)	Behind the Music "Cher" (R) (In Stereo)	Before They Were Stars	List (R) (In Stereo)	Divas Live (In Stereo)					
USA	JAG "The Martin-Baker Fan Club" Harm defends a troubled Vietnam veteran accused of aiding another patient's suicide. (In Stereo)	Walker, Texas Ranger "Break In" Walker goes undercover in a maximum security prison. (In Stereo)	Walker, Texas Ranger "Break In" Walker goes undercover in a maximum security prison. (In Stereo)	Dead Sea Scrolls: Unraveling the Mystery Researchers shed light on the Dead Sea Scrolls.	Divine Magic: The World of the Supernatural Predictions of alleged prophet Nostradamus. (R)	On the Inside "Casino Tech" The high-tech surveillance equipment used by casinos. (R)	MacGyver MacGyver helps an archaeologist save Alexander the Great's tomb from robbers. (In Stereo)					
DISC	Wild Discoveries "Amazing Animal Adaptors" How animals survive changing and harsh conditions. (R)	On the Inside "Casino Tech" The high-tech surveillance equipment used by casinos. (R)	Dead Sea Scrolls: Unraveling the Mystery Researchers shed light on the Dead Sea Scrolls.	Divine Magic: The World of the Supernatural Predictions of alleged prophet Nostradamus. (R)	On the Inside "Casino Tech" The high-tech surveillance equipment used by casinos. (R)	MacGyver MacGyver helps an archaeologist save Alexander the Great's tomb from robbers. (In Stereo)						
WGN	Caroline in the City	Caroline in the City (In Stereo)	"FX 2" ** (1991, Adventure) Bryan Brown, Brian Dennehy, Rachel Ticotin. A special-effects wizard uncovers a conspiracy. (In Stereo)	News (In Stereo)								
ESPN	(6:00) Sportscenter	Thursday Gamenight	College Football: North Carolina State at North Carolina. (Live)									
CNN	Headline News	Crossfire	World Today	Larry King Live	Newsstand	Sports Tonight	Headline News (R)					
CNN2	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News					
NICK	Hey Arnold! (In Stereo)	Rugrats (In Stereo)	Wild Thornberrys (In Stereo)	Cousin Skeeter (R) (In Stereo)	Jeffersons "Louise vs. Florence" (In Stereo)	Jeffersons "Brother Tom" (In Stereo)	Jeffersons "The Arrival" (Part 1 of 2) (In Stereo)	Jeffersons "The Arrival" (Part 2 of 2) (In Stereo)	Jeffersons "My Hero" (In Stereo)	Jeffersons "God Bless Americans" (In Stereo)		
A&E	Law & Order "Big Bang" The mail-bomb death of a physicist's wife is linked to the man's rival.	Biography "Jimmy Doolittle: King of the Sky" Gen. Jimmy Doolittle.	Investigative Reports "Inside Scientology" The conflict between the Church of Scientology and media critics. (R)									
FOXTD	Detroit Pistons Pre-Game	NBA Basketball: Toronto Raptors at Detroit Pistons. Palace of Auburn Hills. (Live)		FOX Sports News		FOX Sports News						
TNT	ER "Motherhood" Dr. Lewis' mother visits. Dr. Benton tries to save a teen impaled by an iron bar.	"Battle of the Bulge" *** (1965, Adventure) Henry Fonda, Robert Shaw, Robert Ryan. Weather-beaten American GIs face a massive German assault.									Medal of Honor (R) (In Stereo)	
TBS	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air "The Way We Were"	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air (In Stereo)	WCW Thunder	WCW Thunder	Chimp Channel "Manna's Wedding" (R)	WCW Thunder (R)	WCW Thunder (R)					
DISN	"Don't Look Under the Bed" (1999, Fantasy) Erin Chambers, Eric "Ty" Hodges II, Jake Sakson. A girl calls on her brother's imaginary friend to banish a mischievous bogeyman who has framed her for his pranks. (In Stereo)	"The Neverending Story" *** (1984, Fantasy) Noah Hathaway, Barret Oliver, Tami Stronach. An imaginative boy is transported to a magical kingdom in danger of destruction. (In Stereo) PG (Mid)	"Don't Look Under the Bed" (1999, Fantasy) Erin Chambers, Eric "Ty" Hodges II, Jake Sakson. A girl calls on her brother's imaginary friend to banish a mischievous bogeyman who has framed her for his pranks. (In Stereo)									
TNN	Waltons "The Innocents" (In Stereo)	"Pair of Aces" ** (1990) Willie Nelson, Rip Torn. (In Stereo)	Championship Bull Riding (In Stereo)	Dallas "The Gathering Storm" (In Stereo)								
TRAV	Adventure Round (R)	Lonely Planet "Peru" (R)	Vacation SOS (R)	Vacation SOS (R)	Amazing Destinations (R)	Lonely Planet "Peru" (R)						
TLC	Hurricane Andrew - Ground Zero Review of Hurricane Andrew. (R)	Man Against Nature Rescues of a shark attack victim and a car trapped in a flood. (R)	Arnold Schwarzenegger - Hollywood Hero The personal side of actor Harrison Ford.	Man Against Nature Rescues of a shark attack victim and a car trapped in a flood. (R)								
SCIFI	"The Abyss" *** (1989, Science Fiction) Ed Harris, Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio, Michael Biehn. An oil-rig crew is involved in a search for a nuclear sub. (In Stereo)	"The Money Pit" ** (1986, Comedy) Tom Hanks, Shelley Long, Alexander Godunov. A bargain mansion proves to be a financial black hole.	Saturday Night Live Tom Hanks, Bruce Springsteen.	Daily Show	Win Ben Stein's Money							
COM	Daily Show (R)	Win Ben Stein's Money										
TWC	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	WeatherCenter	
HIST	(6:00) Coming Home: The Veteran Experience in the 20th Century Veterans of all American wars.	Save Our History: "Dear Home: Letters From World War II" Letters shipped during World War II.	Escape! Tales of Suspense: Breakout From Iran Ross Perot's employees trapped in Iran.	Fireworks Highlights from fireworks exhibitions throughout history. (R)	Fireworks Highlights from fireworks exhibitions throughout history. (R)	Secrets of World War II The Royal Air Force seeks to destroy the secret V2 weapons system. (R)						
AMC	(6:00) Cinema Combat: Hollywood Goes to War The evolution of war films from the silent era to today's productions.	"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.	"Force 10 From Navarone" ** (1978, Adventure) Harrison Ford, Robert Shaw, Edward Fox. During World War II, an odd assortment of military experts teams up on a mission to destroy a vital enemy bridge. PG (Adult language, brief nudity, violence)									
HAG	This Old House (R) (In Stereo)	New Yankee Workshop (In Stereo)	New Spaces (In Stereo)	Curb Appeal (In Stereo)	Designing for the Sexes (In Stereo)	Kitchen Design (In Stereo)	House Hunters (In Stereo)	Dream Builders (In Stereo)	New Spaces (R) (In Stereo)	Curb Appeal (R) (In Stereo)		
LIFE	Intimate Portrait "Natalie Cole" The life of singer Natalie Cole. (R) (In Stereo)	Chicago Hope "From Here to Maternity" A mother is shocked when she gives birth to white and black babies. (In Stereo)	"Locked Up: A Mother's Rage" ** (1991, Drama) Cheryl Ladd, Jean Smart, Angela Bassett. A single mother is framed and imprisoned for selling drugs.									
TOON P	Timon & Pumbaa (In Stereo)	Tale Spin (In Stereo)	Ducktales	Bonkers (In Stereo)	Aladdin	Darwing Duck	Gargoyles (In Stereo)	Gargoyles (In Stereo)	Mighty Ducks	Adventures of Sonic the Hedgehog		
MSNBC	Hardball	Special Edition	News With Brian Williams	Headliners & Legends								
CSPAN	House of Representatives (Live)	Prime Time Public Affairs	Refurbishing the Soul	Rosary-Land	Beatification	St. George-NY	St. Thomas More (R)	Gospel of Mark II				
EWTN	Our Lady of the Angels Monastery Daily Mass	Life on the Rock										
<b>PREMIUM CHANNELS</b>												
SHOW	(6:15) "Driving Me Crazy" ** (1991, Comedy) Billy Dee Williams, Thomas Gotschalk, Michelle Johnson. Thieves steal a European car that runs on vegetable fuel. PG (Mid violence)	"How to Be a Player" * (1997, Comedy) Bill Bellamy, Natalie Desselle, Lark Voorhies. A disapproving sister convinces to teach her woman-crazy brother a lesson about loving with women's hearts. (In Stereo) R (Adult language, strong sexual content)	"I Got the Hook-Up" * 1/2 (1998, Comedy) Master P, A.J. Johnson, Gretchen Palmer. Two South Central L.A. con artists land in hot water when the FBI and unsatisfied customers come looking for them. (In Stereo) R (Adult language, adult situations, mild violence, nudity)	Movie News: Sleepy Hollow Tim Burton film (R)	Linc's "Secrets and Lies and the Missing Modigliani" Book club plan bookends. (R)							
HBO	(6:00) "Gross Anatomy" ** 1/2 (1989, Comedy-Drama) Matthew Modine, Debra Zung. Medical students rigorously prepare to become doctors. (In Stereo) PG-13 (Adult language, adult situations)	Inside the NFL (In Stereo)	"The Edge" ** 1/2 (1997, Suspense) Anthony Hopkins, Alec Baldwin, Eli Macloughlin. An erudite billionaire and a possible romantic rival must rely on each other to survive after a wilderness plane crash. (In Stereo) R (Adult language, violence)	Real Sex Quickies: "Stingers Saucy segments." (R) (In Stereo)	Real Sex Quickies: "Round the World Hot clips." (R) (In Stereo)							
TMC	"My Giant" ** (1998, Comedy-Drama) Billy Crystal, Kathleen Quinlan, Gheorghe Muresan. A luckless Hollywood agent attempts to put a gentle giant from Romania up on the silver screen. (In Stereo) PG (Adult language, adult situations, mild violence)	"Senseless" ** (1998, Comedy) Marlon Wayans, David Spade, Matthew Lillard. A college student becomes a human guinea pig when he takes an experimental drug that heightens the senses. (In Stereo) R (Adult language, adult situations)	"Tricks" (1997, Drama) Mimi Rogers, Tyne Daly, Ray Walston. A single mother and part-time hooker vows revenge after a disastrous encounter with a high-rolling customer. (In Stereo)									
MAX	(6:15) "With Honors" ** 1/2 (1994, Comedy-Drama) Joe Pesci, Brendan Fraser, Moira Kelly. A homeless man finds a Harvard student's thesis. (In Stereo) PG-13 (Adult language, adult situations)	"How Stella Got Her Groove Back" ** (1998, Comedy-Drama) Angela Bassett, Taye Diggs, Regina King. A San Francisco stockbroker-single mother has a steamy love affair while vacationing in Jamaica. (In Stereo) R (Adult language, adult situations)	"Carnival of Souls" (1998, Horror) Larry Miller, Shawnee Smith, Bobbie Phillips. A young woman must do battle with the brutal killer who murdered her mother when she was a little girl. R (Adult language, adult situations, violence)									

# COMING EVENTS

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

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

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

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

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

**FOURTH MONDAY OF EACH MONTH:** American Legion Clark-Ellis Post 152 at Lowell V.F.W. Hall, 307 E. Main St. at 8 p.m.

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

**EVERY MON.:** Boy Scout Troop 102, for boys 11 & up or completing the 5th-grade, will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. during the school year in the Scout Cabin at the end of N. Washington Street. Enjoy activities like hiking and camping and learn skills that can last a lifetime. For more information call Terry Cavanaugh, 868-6481.

**TUESDAYS:** Take Off

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

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

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

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

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

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

**EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY - 6:45-8:45 p.m. G.E.M.S. Girls Club at Calvary Christian Reformed Church.** All girls ages 8 to 13 are welcome. Call 897-8694 for information.

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

**THURSDAYS:** Weight Watchers meets in Lowell at the Nazarene Church, 201 N. Washington, at 7 p.m. Registration is a half hour before meetings. New members are invited to join at any time. Questions? Call 1-800-651-6000.

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**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.

a month at Lowell Middle School choir room. For more information call 897-1502 evenings after 5 p.m.

**FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY:** The Alto Lions Club meets at Bowne Center Fellowship Hall, corner of 84th & M-50 (Alden Nash) at 7 p.m.

**EVERY 2ND THURS.:** N.A.R.F.E. meets 1:30 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 2700 E. Fulton.

**EVERY SECOND THURSDAY:** Lowell V.F.W. Auxiliary No. 8303 meets at 3:30 p.m. at the V.F.W. Post, 307 W. Main Street, Lowell.

**EVERY THIRD THURSDAY:** Royal Arch Masons regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Lowell Masonic Center, 119 Lincoln Lake, Lowell. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

**EVERY THIRD THURSDAY:** LaLeche League of Ada, Cascade & Lowell meets at 6:30 p.m. for socializing with meeting at 7 p.m. Mother to mother support for pregnant & breastfeeding women. Nursing children are welcome to attend. Our current location is a church in Ada. Call Janet 897-6845 or Rebecca, 897-6734 for more information.

**THURS., NOV. 4:** Vergennes Cooperative Club will meet at Schneider Manor at 1 p.m. Hostesses Joyce Hanshue and Danni Smith. Program: Hospital Dietician, Beth Wolf. "Know What You Are Eating." Sponsor: Esther Clemenz. Recipients of the Food Bank are appreciative of donations.

**NOV. 15 & 16:** Audition notice: Ionia Community Theatre will hold tryouts for *Grease* at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 105 E. Main St., Ionia (use rear entrance). Bring a prepared vocal selection, accompaniment provided. Callbacks will be Nov. 18.

**NOV. 19, 20 & 21 - 8th annual Christmas Through Lowell.** Call 897-8829 or 897-0064 for more information.

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**MON.:** 8:30 a.m., Walking, Woodland Mall; Mon. Madness, noon.

**TUES.:** 8:30 a.m. Walking, Woodland Mall; 10:40 a.m., exercise.

**FRI.:** 8:30 a.m. Walking-Woodland Mall.

**WED., NOV. 3:** 8 a.m. Men's breakfast.

**WED., NOV. 3:** 9:30-11:30 a.m. Blood pressure.

**THURS., NOV. 4:** 12:00 Westside Complex - dance.

**FRI., NOV. 5:** 12:40 p.m. Meijer Gardens - "Horse."

**MON., NOV. 8:** 12:40 p.m. Meijer shopping.

**WED., NOV. 10:** 12:00 Movie - Pal Joey.

**TUES., NOV. 16:** 12:40 p.m. Shop, Target & Fruit Basket.

**THURS., NOV. 17:** 9:30 a.m. Advisory council.

**THURS., NOV. 18:** 12:00, Westside Complex - dance.

**MON., NOV. 8:** 12:40 p.m. (Dinner reservations should be made 3 working days in advance)



# All agree - Lowell's future is best developed through spirit of cooperation

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The potential is here to make Lowell unique, but it is the attitude here to develop such an action plan?

That was at the crux of the first Lowell Chamber of Commerce/Lowell Leadership Initiative early bird breakfast discussion.

"The Lowell area has the jewels - they're just waiting to be mined," said Scott Parks. "Through a spirit of cooperation, are we willing to do what it takes to make it work?"

The consensus which

permeated from the room of approximately 30 local business and community leaders was that participation of all is needed in putting together an infrastructure that will help develop the future look of the whole community.

Lowell city manager Dave Pasquale called it balancing diversity with a twist of small town atmosphere. "Partnerships and cooperation are needed to control the way growth happens," he said.

Mayor Bill Thompson concurred. "How growth happens will depend on how

closely we work together to make things happen."

The other key issue, which was as prevalent as the rolls and coffee, was how the Lowell area can provide for new or expanding business and industry.

Noreen Balaam, Huntington Banks, called for the need of a proactive committee (ambassador program) to guide potential first-time business entrepreneurs through the needed steps before initiating a business.

Chamber spokeswoman Liz Baker asked if tax abatements could be made available to assist small retail businesses. Pasquale said the city is limited because it is subject to the laws and rules of the state.

Howard VanHorn, vice president and secretary of the board of directors for the School of Missionary Aviation Technology, narrowed his questioning toward possible assistance in meeting some immediate school needs (e.g., student housing and three-phase power).

"This breakfast was an opportunity to remind people we are here and training students for missionary work," VanHorn explained. "We have a good working relationship with the city. It has

allowed us to develop our needs."

The aviation school is looking to purchase some housing for all their students who come from all over the country (e.g., Tennessee and Alaska) and even Germany to be educated in air frame and

power plant mechanic training as well as flight ratings.

While the school continues to improve airport grounds, taxiways, runways and office space, VanHorn also noted that the aviation school is searching for an economical way to bring

three-phase power into the airport.

Following the initial breakfast discussion, some walked away feeling a different kind of power was created from the meeting. "I really feel as if something happened here," Baker said.



Jim Doyle, left, responds to questions from those in attendance at the Early Breakfast Discussion held at Attwood on Thursday.

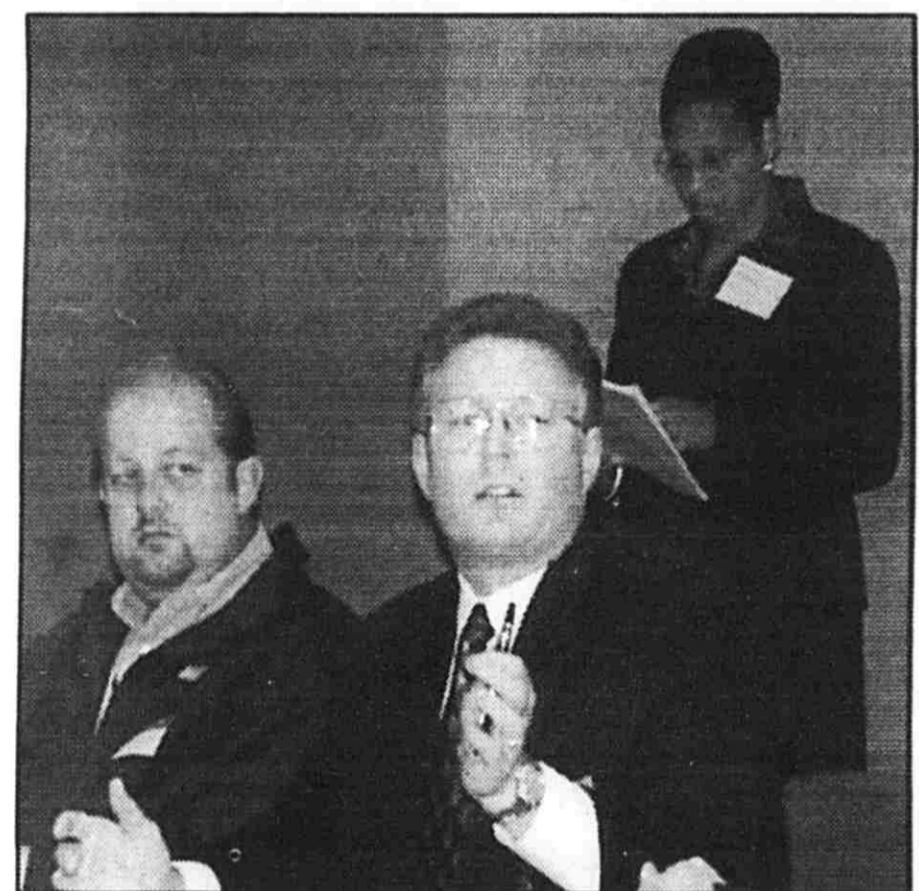
## Sharing the Vision, cont'd.... From Page 5

More than most school districts, Lowell still maintains a strong tradition of young people raised on or near the land. And more than most, our students are less likely to be detached from the natural world.

Yet the technological focus of modern life is affecting our community as well. Some years ago, Aldo Leopold, the great American naturalist and

professor of wildlife at the University of Wisconsin wrote: "There is value in any experience that reminds us of our dependency on the soil-plant-animal-man food chain, and of the fundamental organization of the biota. Civilization has so cluttered this elemental man to earth relation with gadgets and middlemen that awareness of it is growing dim. We fancy that indus-

try supports us, forgetting that supports industry. Time was when education moved toward the soil, not away from it." We believe that the Wege Natural Area will move education in the Lowell Area Schools toward - not away from - a greater understanding and appreciation of our environment. Our community owes a debt of gratitude for all of those who made it a reality.



Lowell city councilman Mike Blough speaks of putting together an infrastructure that will help develop the future look of the whole community.

# Defensive stand helps lift Creston past Lowell, 27-13

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Creston entered the pre-district Division 3 football playoff highly touted as an explosive offensive unit capable of a big play from anywhere on the field.

In the Polar Bears 27-13 win over the Red Arrows Friday night, the biggest play(s) arguably came from its defense at its own three-yard line.

"Our defense has played well all year, but it's our offense and the points it's put up that have received all the recognition," Creston coach Charles McEwen said. "Our defense played very well tonight. It made some keys stops inside the five to start the second half."

Lowell was first and goal from the Creston three-yard line, but the Polar Bears rose

up and iced the Red Arrows at the one on fourth down.

While the Creston defense struck early in the third quarter, its big-play offense, held in check all of the first half and most of the third quarter, struck late (1:03).

Carlton Brewster hooked up with Kevin Jackson on a 58-yard touchdown pass. The Polar Bear receiver broke two Lowell tackles on the way to the end zone, giving Creston a 14-7 advantage. Lowell answered with a 65-yard touchdown drive, capped by a one-yard scoring run by quarterback Josh Brown. The extra point failed and the Red Arrows trailed 14-13.

The defense then held Creston to three plays and a punt.

Lowell had the ball at its 22 with 9:45 to play. A fumble

on a third-down completion turned the ball over to Creston

on the Lowell 16-yard line. The Polar Bear offense

needed just three plays to convert a Lowell turnover into a

Creston 20-13 advantage.

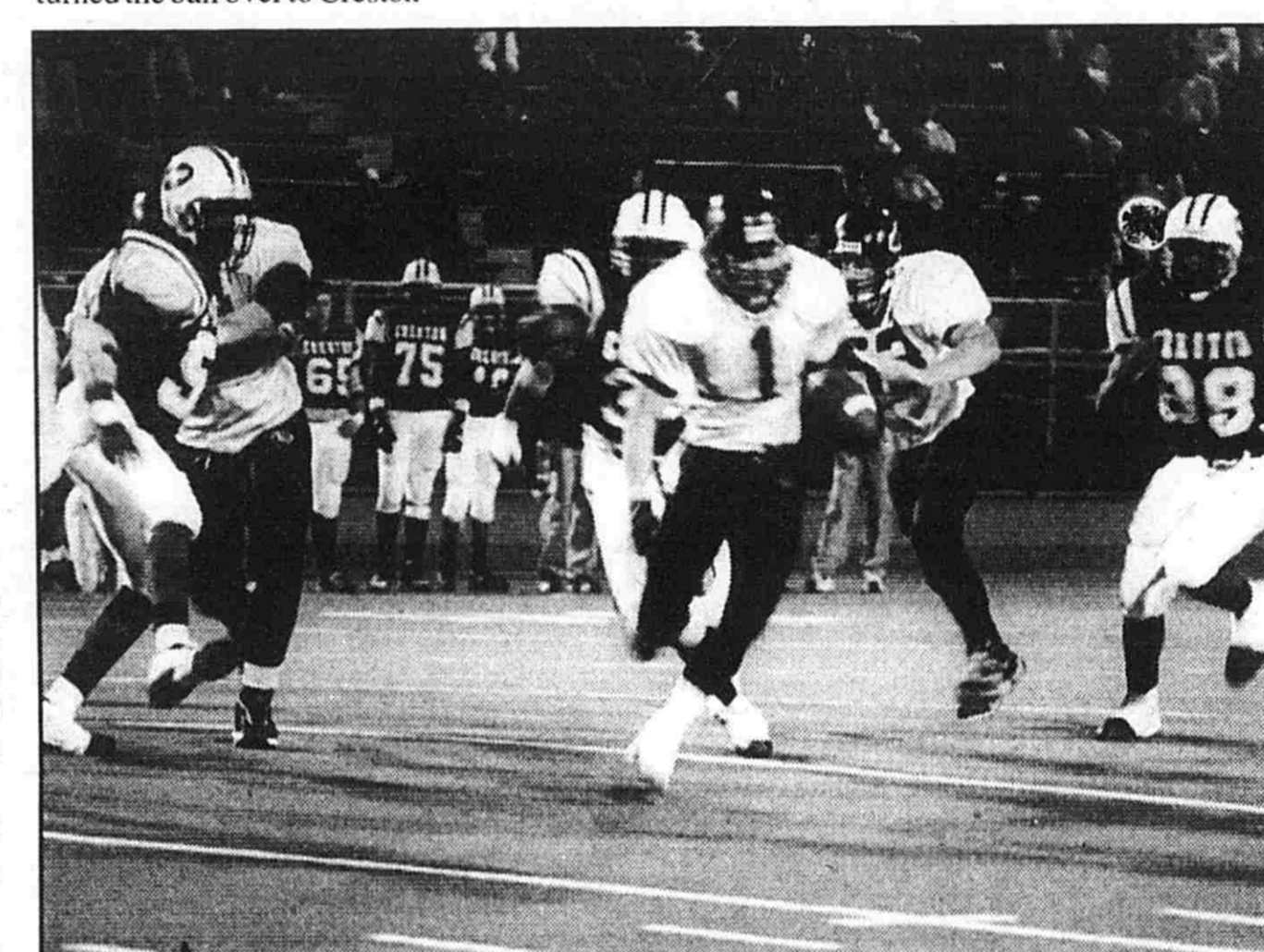
A second Lowell turnover with 3:30 to play in the game set up the game-clinching score for Creston.

The Polar Bears, leading by seven, punted from the Lowell 45. The Red Arrows fumbled the punt and Creston was there to recover.

Five plays later, Brewster connected with Bret Haney on a four-yard touchdown pass, giving the City league runners-up a 27-13 lead.

"Obviously, I don't advocate turnovers. But, these kids played their hearts out and I won't hold them accountable because in busting their tails a turnover occurred," Lowell football coach Noel Dean explained.

The Red Arrows' ground game, minus any miscues or fumbles, took approximately



Tom Oesch led all Lowell rushers with 70 yards.

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# Halloween contest pictures, continued...



Pictured, from left to right, at Old Kent Bank, are: Keri Stadelman, Angela Johnson, Dawn Corey and Catherine Rivera.



Pictured, from left to right, at Dr. James Reagan's office, are: Jim Reagan, Rebecca Brecken and Rachel Brecken.



Pictured at Cumberland Manor, from left to right, are: Judy Parker and Tammy Hall; seated is Hazel Mowery.



Pictured, from left to right, at Dr. James Reagan's office, are: Carmen Dahl, Vickie Comdure, Becky Hansen and Carrie Woolworth.



Pictured, from left to right, at Fairchild's, are: Daryl Cappon, Maureen Lenon, Sally Wolverton, Dion Jones and Deb Aldrich.



Picket Fence Day Care children.

# Picasso to pirates, local businesses dress up for Ledger Costume contest



Pictured at Quaker State is Vic Sturgeon.



Dr. Reagan's office, Brenda's Hair Design and Cumberland Manor are this year's winners in the Lowell Ledger Halloween contest. Congratulations and enjoy your pizza, compliments of the Ledger.



Pictured, from left to right, at Brenda's Hair Design, are: Dawn Polmanteer, Julie Heimer, Therese Jakeway and Brenda Bergy.



Pictured at Cumberland Manor, from left to right, are: Starlene Jastifer, Denise Fosburg, Chris Walter and Norma Rose.



Pictured, from left to right, at First United Methodist Preschool, are: Gay Pfaller and Beth Eggleston. Below they are pictured with their class.



Pictured, from left to right, at Lowell Charter Township, are: Kathy Fremer, John Timpson, Jamie Condon and Rena Jett.



# Red Arrow girls advance to state cross country meet

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Sometimes it is better to be lucky...

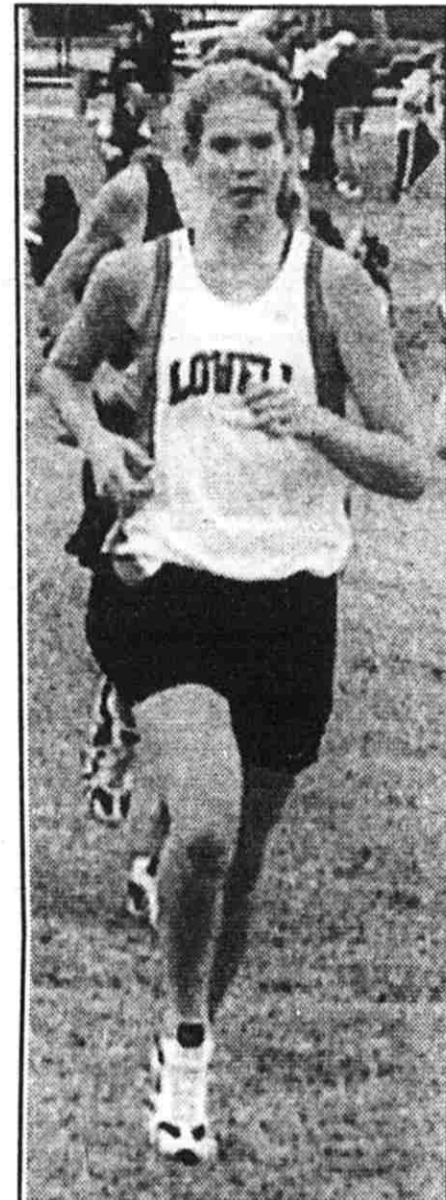
After his girls' cross country team learned that it would run in the Kalamazoo Central regional, Clay VanderWarf boldly predicted his young Red Arrow club had a chance to advance to the state meet.

VanderWarf knew had the club been placed in the Grand Rapids Christian regional with the likes of Rockford and Traverse City schools, they would have no chance of advancing.

Lowell's first-year coach and his young squad took advantage of their good fortune Saturday as they finished third (136) behind Battle Creek Lakeview (125) and Portage Central (91).



Katie Clements was Lowell's top runner at the regional with a time of 19:56.



"This is a great accomplishment for such a young team," VanderWarf said.

Lowell, with four freshmen and a sophomore leading the way, could easily be the youngest Class A team participating in the state tournament on Saturday at the Michigan Speedway in Brooklyn. The girls will run at 1:30.

"It's great the team advanced. This should help our confidence going into next year," VanderWarf claimed. Lowell's Katie Clements was the team-leader finishing 12th overall with a time of 19:56.

Holly Plattner, 14th, was clocked in a time of 19:58.

Teammate Lisa Wojciakowski stopped the

Lisa Wojciakowski finished Saturday's run in 20:25.

clock in 20:25 and placed 21st.

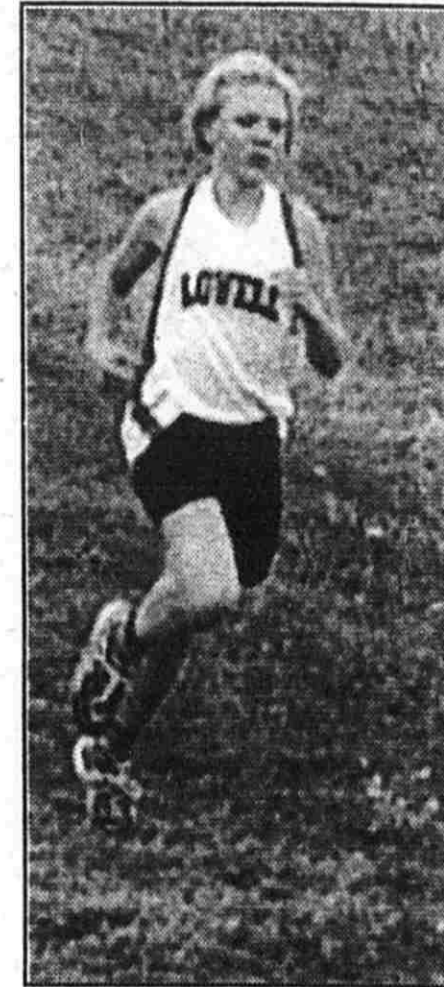
Red Arrows' Molly Kirsch (21:18) and Abby Vos (21:19) were 44th and 45th respectively.

Lowell boys cross country team placed 13th in a field of 21 teams.

The Red Arrows turned in a number of personal best times.

Among them were Dan Rottier (23rd), 17:07; Mike Armstrong (62nd) 18:06; Caleb O'Boyle (80th) 18:37; Andy Oetman (90th) 18:57 and Mike Wierenga (93rd) 19:01.

"We ran a good race and I think all of them had personal bests," VanderWarf said.



Holly Plattner came home in 19:58 at Saturday's regional.

## Lowell girls basketball team splits with Vikings and Eagles

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell basketball coach Ken Akers used senior guard Bethany Fredline as needed in her return from a knee injury.

Fredline provided a needed spark for the 8-8 Red Arrows.

"We're obviously a better team with her in the lineup," Akers explained.

Fredline, playing roughly half the game, contributed with 14 points. Above and beyond that, she makes those around her better.

"Amanda Stoutjesdyk's game is better with Fredline in there," Akers said. The Lowell center had four first-half points; with Fredline playing a good portion of the second half, Stoutjesdyk finished with 19.

Lowell trailed the Eagles 9-8 after one quarter of play and 24-20 at halftime.

The Red Arrow defense, along with the return of Fredline, helped Lowell outscore Hudsonville 16-10 in the third stanza to take a 36-24 lead into the fourth quarter.

Lowell outscored Hudsonville 16-12 in the final quarter to post a 52-46

win. Kelly Chapman and Lauren Vashaw contributed with eight and seven points respectively.

Stoutjesdyk was the only Red Arrow with double figure rebounds. She pulled down 14.

The win improved Lowell's OK White league record to 4-7.

Wyoming Park 58  
Lowell 46

A twisted optimist might say Lowell girls basketball team was lucky to be down just 20 points to Wyoming Park at halftime.

"Wyoming Park killed us in the first half," said Lowell basketball coach Ken Akers. "The girls did not do anything right. The Vikings outrebounded, outshot, outthrust and outplayed us."

So, what did Akers say at halftime that inspired the girls' play and enabled them to battle back to within four points late in the fourth quarter?

"It had nothing to do with Xs and Os. I adjusted some hearts and heads though," Akers said.

Lowell trailed 33-13 at halftime and reduced its deficit to four late in the fourth quarter before the Vikings connected on eight straight foul shots to put the game away.

Wyoming Park netted 28-of-33 shots from the line (85 percent).

"It was kind of opposite halves for us," Viking coach Rich Pullen said. "No matter what you say, a 20-point lead is never safe. Ken's teams always play hard for 32 minutes."

Amanda Stoutjesdyk led all Red Arrows with 17 points. She also grabbed nine rebounds. Jodi Seif added 12 points and Sunny Moyer contributed with eight.

## Football cont'd.... From Page 23

seven minutes off the first quarter clock on its first possession of the game.

Lowell was precision-like as it marched 80 yards in 15 plays with Tom Oesch scoring on a two-yard burst giving the Red Arrows a 7-0 lead.

Lowell held the lead until

midway through the second quarter when an eight-yard touchdown run by Creston's Aston Martin tied the contest at 7-7.

"I thought we did a pretty good job at times of shortening the game with our offense," Dean said.

Lowell rushed the ball for

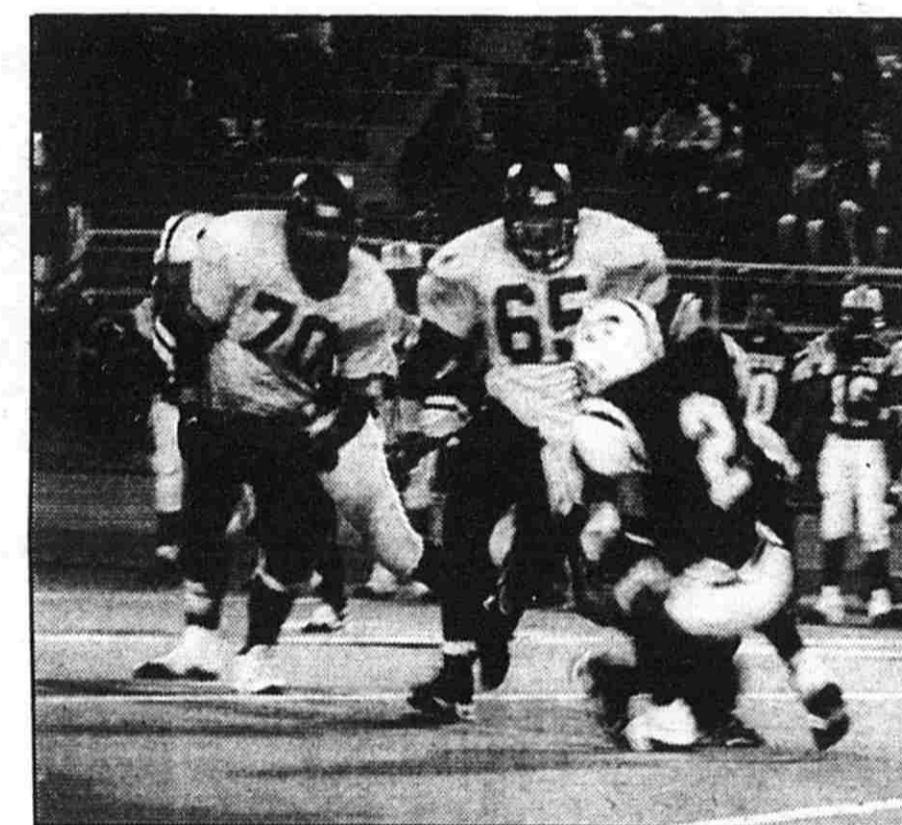
222 yards. Oesch led a balanced attack with 70 yards. Brown ran for 63 yards and Neil Reimbold finished with 49.

Brown was seven-of-12 for 92 yards. Creston rushed for 92 yards and Brewster threw for 196 yards. He was 17-of-31 and two touchdowns.

"It was a hard fought game and my hat goes off to Lowell," McEwen concluded. Dean finished with words of appreciation for the throngs of Red Arrow fans in attendance.

"The fan base was great," he said. "It's just a matter of time - a playoff win is coming."

Next up for Creston will be Catholic Central, a 34-16 winner over Ludington, on Saturday.



Lowell defenders close in on Creston's Astin Martin.

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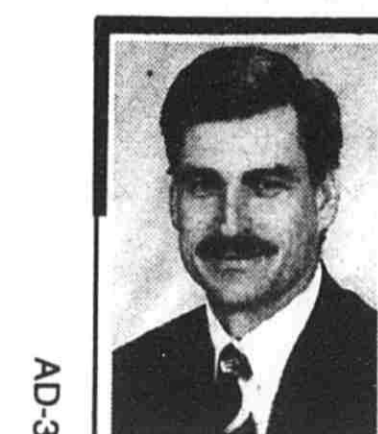
### SYNOPSIS

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE VERGENNES TOWNSHIP BOARD

OCTOBER 18, 1999 - 7:00 P.M.  
Motions Approved:

- Minutes of September 20, 1999 meeting
- Treasurer's report/invoices, including Williams & Works Comprehensive Plan
- Motion to pay for construction of a clock for meeting room, and to apply to the Lowell Area Community Fund for Oak Tree Cross Section/Time Line Project; both to use wood from Tree Cut from Intersection of Bailey and Parnell
- Motion to accept bid for 1999-2000 season snowplowing services from Robert Griffin
- Motion to approve expenditure of \$6,000 with Aquatic Consultation Services for purposes of conducting survey of Township for Gypsy Moth spray, and adoption of resolution 6-99, submitting the question of a .5 mil for three years to fund a Township Gypsy Moth Spray Program to residents on the February 22, 2000 Presidential Primary Ballot
- Motion to approve purchase of equipment for expansion of office space in the amount of \$3,302.97
- Motion to direct planning commission to review and make recommendations regarding ordinance amendment suggestions from Zoning Administrator and Zoning Board of Appeals
- Motion to issue civil infraction regarding driveway setback on Forest River Court
- Motion to grant approval to Talisman Private Drive
- Motion to adjourn at 9:15 p.m.

Mari C. Stone,  
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A big thank you to the 2 ladies who stopped by to help me on Friday.  
Mrs. Lucille Erickson.



# Vergennes to ask voters for half mill

Additional revenue will be used to fund spraying for gypsy moths.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Vergennes, like its neighboring townships, will put a proposal on the ballot to finance spraying for gypsy moths.

The township will ask voters for a half mill (approximately \$50,000) in each of the next three years so properties can be sprayed.

Aquatic Consulting Services will scout and map the 36 square miles that make up Vergennes Township to determine what areas need to be sprayed. The survey will cost the township \$6,000.

The township should have the numbers (acres that need spraying) by mid-December," said Vergennes Township clerk Mari Stone. "Voters can come in and look at the area map to see what's being sprayed before voting."

Voters will be asked to vote on the half mill increase in the preidential primary on Feb. 22. A Greenville based company, Midwest Helicopter Service has been chosen to do the spraying. A helicopter will be used for spraying a non-chemical microbial insecticide.

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# Work on bridge wall will begin in Nov.

It seems that nearly every bureaucratic agency in Michigan has taken a gander at the bridge wall where Christiansen Drug Store once stood.

Which explains why city manager Dave Pasquale was pleased to confirm that some of the bridge work would be completed this year.

"Within the next two weeks bids will be received and then we expect the sheet piling to be put in this year," he explained.

The sidewalk and railing will have to wait until early spring of 2000.

Between now and then, a temporary cyclone fence will be put up and an asphalt walk put in. The bridge work project has been pursued over a period of a year.

"The city has had to work with just about every bureaucratic agency," Pasquale said.

# Pack 3188 selling popcorn to help fund scouting activities

Lowell Cub Scout Pack 3188 is selling Trails End popcorn. The scouts will be in local businesses (including Crystal Flash, Showboat Automotive, Bernard's True Value and Admiral Petroleum) on Saturday, Nov. 6 from 10 a.m. to noon.

Over 70 percent of the price of the local scouting, things as camp-pack activities, vice projects, awards, equipment, training.

If you purchase Caramel Corn, White Caramel Corn, Gourmet with Almonds

would like to Chocolate Crunch popcorn, White Chocolatey Crunch popcorn, Caramel Corn and Pecans, microwave and microwave light popcorn as well as regular popping corn, please locate the Scouts on Saturday, Nov. 6. Prices range from \$7 to \$15, and many kinds come in decorative tins.

If you are not able to get with a scout to purchase your popcorn, you may contact Barb Porter at 897-5863.



# AREA BIRTHS

Steven and Nichole Johnson are pleased to announce the birth of their boys.

They arrived on October 29, 1999 at Spectrum Health in Grand Rapids. Micheal Scott was born at 1:02 a.m. weighing 4 lbs. 12 oz. and measuring 18 1/2 inches long. Sy Patrick was born at 1:04 a.m. weighing 4 lbs. and measuring 16 inches.

Grandparents are Dale and Susan Johnson and Michelle Winslow.

Also welcoming them home are Aunt Pamela and Uncle Allen Miller and Aunt Wendy and Uncle Timothy Hemminger.

# Grand Stampede this weekend

Lowell's Bliss Yeiter is scheduled to compete in the Grand Stampede III at the Delta Plex in Grand Rapids.

The rodeo event is slated for Friday and Saturday, Nov. 5th and 6th, beginning at 7 p.m.

Yeiter will compete in Saturday's bull riding event.

The Lowell native won the bull riding event at the Grand Stampede II held at the Kent County Youth Fairgrounds during the weekend of July 4th. He finished third last year at the Delta Plex.

Yeiter has been riding since his junior year in high school. He is a member of the Great Lakes Circuit which is part of the Pro Cowboy Rodeo Association.

# Lowell loses to Greenville, 3-2

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

A couple of missed scoring opportunities in the game's final 16 minutes prevented Lowell from battling back against Greenville, sending it to a season-ending 3-2 district defeat.

"The difference in the game was Greenville got a couple of good looks in the second half and capitalized. We got a couple of good looks in the first half and late in the game and didn't capitalize," Lowell boys interim soccer coach Chris Barlow said.

Lowell trailed 1-0 at halftime and 2-0 in the second half before mounting a comeback.

Jeff Herral netted Lowell's first goal off a corner kick and Troy Gillan later tied the contest at 2-2.

Greenville took a 3-2 lead with roughly 16 minutes to play.

"It's a tough one to lose," Barlow said. "We kind of lost our concentration in the first half. But the boys dug in and battled back in the second half."

The Red Arrows finished their '99 campaign with an 8-8-2 record.

"Our record doesn't indicate how well the boys played this year," Barlow explains. "With the exception of a loss to East Grand Rapids (6-1), we were competitive in every game."

Lowell's interim coach hasn't decided whether or not he will throw his name in the hat for the varsity coaching position.

"I'm going to take some time and reflect on things and then I will decide," Barlow said. "This year has been a good experience and I learned a lot and truly enjoyed working with the kids."

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