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Officials got the boxcars rerailed about 11 p.m. Sunday. They derailed at approximately 1 p.m.

SOUND OF THUNDER

Boxcars roll a mile before jumping track near Hudson Street Bridge

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Dick Snyder, of 227 Segwun, was sitting on his couch Sunday afternoon when he heard a noise that sounded like thunder.

"I got up off my couch and went to the door just in time to see the train cars come to rest in my front yard," Snyder said.

The lead car was about 50 feet from Snyder's front door.

Linda Barnes, 2335 Segwun, was in her living room Sunday afternoon when she began to feel her house shake. "I ran out the door and saw the four or five boxcars hit the boxcar sitting on the track," Barnes said. "They pushed the boxcar through the intersection and into a yard. Along the way it took out the flashers and tore up the pavement."

The four decoupled boxcars were part of a storage block of boxcars (in excess of 100 stored) that got jarred into motion while some of the cars at the opposite end were being coupled. That, in combination with the grade, is how the runaway cars rolled down the track for approximately 1 mile at 30 m.p.h. before pushing a single car (sitting near the Grand River crossing) off the track and blocking traffic at Grand River and Segwun Sunday, according to CSX district superintendent Pete Sauve.

Part of the reason for the runaway cars, according to Sauve, was mechanical; the other reason is believed to be vandals releasing the brakes.

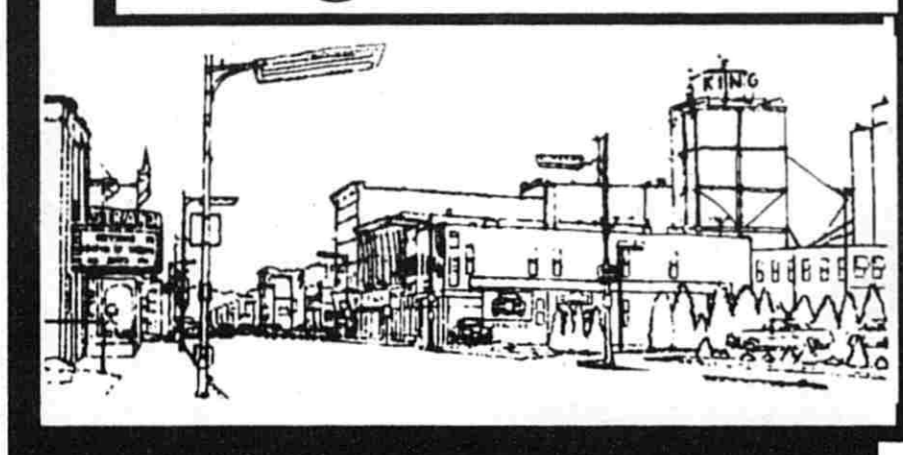
Hulcher Rail Services, in Hammond, IN, rerailed the boxcars, allowing the road to be reopened around 11 p.m. Sunday.

"A special officer will investigate what happened," Sauve said. "We will take precautions so that there is no reoccurrence. This could have been very dangerous."

The workers were provided with water, gatorade and snacks from Crystal Flash, and Faro's Pizza provided pizza for them.

The rail was fixed in plenty of time for a train scheduled to come through Lowell around 3 p.m. Monday.

Along Main Street



COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION

Commodities will be distributed on Thursday, May 25 at the Lowell Moose beginning at 7:30 a.m.

ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB MEETING

The Lowell Area Schools Athletic Booster Club will hold their regular business meeting in the high school staff lounge on Monday, June 5 at 7 p.m.

Please come and help support our athletes.

ATHLETIC PHYSICALS FOR RETURNING HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES

The Lowell Athletic Dept. will be hosting free athletic physicals for returning high school athletes courtesy of Drs. Evenhouse, Mogor and Miedema on May 31 from 6 - 8 p.m. in the locker rooms for female athletes and on June 7 for male athletes. A completed physical card must accompany the athlete with a parental signature and medical history. Physical cards may be picked up in the athletic office.

KENT DISTRICT LIBRARY BRANCHES CLOSED

The 18 branches of the Kent District Library including Englehardt and Alto will be closed Monday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day.

All branches will open again on Tuesday, May 30 with regular open hours.

LASSO ANNUAL MEETING

Lowell Area Select Soccer Organization (LASSO) is hosting its annual meeting and board elections on Friday, June 9 at Fallsburg Park (Section C). All players and their families are invited to bring a picnic dinner at 6 p.m. and participate in the 2000 board elections.

LASSO will provide an ice cream social immediately following the meeting. Nominations for current board posi-

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CALL WAITING

Planning Commission puts AT&T on hold while it works on communications tower ordinance

By J.N. Boorsma Contributing Writer

Whether or not AT&T will be allowed to construct a tower on Gee Drive has been put on hold while the Lowell Planning Commission tries to get an ordinance put together regulating such items.

AT&T came before the planning commission Monday night to present a proposal to construct a 180-foot multi-carrier monopole at 2311 Gee Drive. This is property owned by the city where a water tower is currently located. The construction of the communications tower would have no effect on the water tower.

The planning commission decided, however, to defer its decision on the proposed communications tower since it currently was working on an ordinance change that would permit such towers to be placed in the city of Lowell. By federal law, communication companies such as AT&T have the right to construct such towers, thus providing adequate coverage for its customers.

Planning commission chairperson Dan Brubaker said a subcommittee of the planning commission did meet and, looking at similar ordinances in

the city of Rockford and Algoma Township, prepared a proposed draft of the new ordinance. Presented to the entire planning commission at a special meeting earlier this month, it suggested communication towers be allowed in the suburban residential, industrial, light industrial, and public facilities-zoned areas.

Communication companies would have to seek a special land use permit to construct a tower in those areas.

This did not sit well with a group of residents on Gee Drive who came out to oppose the proposed AT&T tower. The area they live in is zoned suburban residential.

"The reason for allowing it in the suburban residential areas is because the lot sizes tend to be bigger and homes are more spread out versus regular residential areas," Brubaker

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OBITUARIES

BAXTER - Virginia May to be with her Lord after a short struggle with cancer on

May 17, 2000, at Spectrum Health Downtown. She was born in Lowell August 2, 1927, to Claude and Lena Booth. She is survived by her loving husband Bernard of 31 years. She is survived by five children: Jim and Carol Tower of Belmont, Larry and Linda Tower of Portland, Shirley and Russ McGinn of Ionia, Terry Tower of Belding and Linda and Scott Nash of Lyons; six sisters Rosie and Roman Maloney of Lowell, Joyce and Rex Crout of Lowell, Marie

Staffer of Belmont, Catherine and John Geiger of Smyrna, Lucille and George Roth of New Jersey and Irene and Pudge Vaughan of Lowell; grandchildren Carrie and Angie, Chris and Mike, Andy, Andrea and Kayla, and Brenda. She was preceded in death by two brothers Walter and Bill. Funeral Mass was held on Saturday at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Ionia with Rev. Melvin Fox officiating. Interment Crystal Cemetery. A Scripture Service was held Friday evening at Lake Funeral Home. Any-one wishing may make contributions to the Ionia Area Hospice or Hospice of West Michigan.

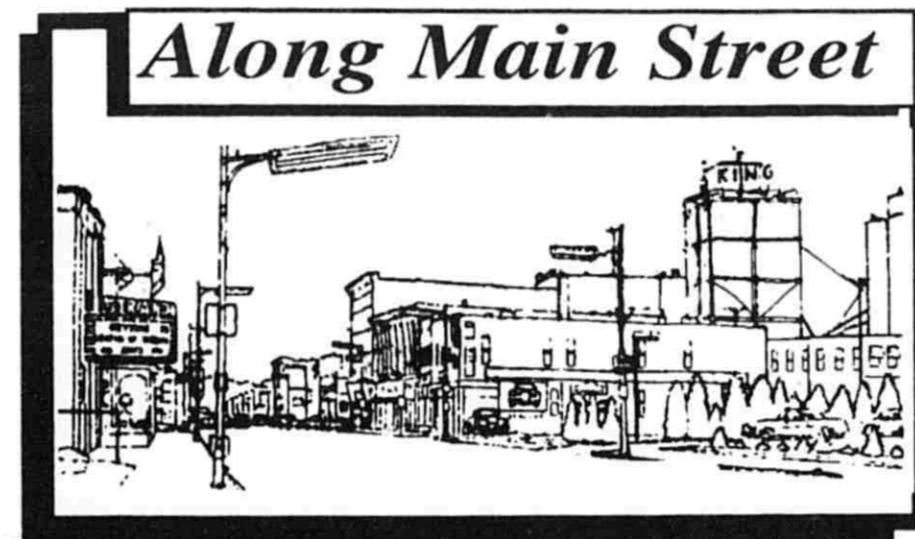
Saranac to William Atkins and Lillian Pemberton. She married Lloyd Mutschler June 4, 1939, in Indiana. Besides her husband she is survived by four sons: Marion Mutschler of Stanton, Richard Mutschler of Clarksville, Lloyd and Robin Mutschler of Clarksville, Bliss and Telma Mutschler of Clarksville; eight daughters Judith and Leo Parker of FL, Jackolyn and Dave Kilbourn of Lowell, Mary Dukes of Stanton, Imogene and Dave Salas of Coldwater, Rosa and Henry Hopkins of Palo, Elaine and Lloyd Lake of Stanton, Shirley and Erven Brokaw of Fenwick and Beth Jill Riios of Lansing; one sister Marcella and Ronald Wells of Lake Odessa; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one son John Lloyd Mutschler in August 1969 and one daughter Joan Marie Jensen October of 1999. Cremation has taken place and there will be a Memorial Service held on Wednesday at 11 a.m. at the Galilee Baptist Church with Rev. James Frank officiating. Interment of ashes will be at Clarksville Cemetery.

Lowell resident seeks rezoning for proposed bed and breakfast

By J.N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer

drove by the house at 203 N. Hudson St., she saw a perfect place for a bed and breakfast. However, after preliminary discussions with city staff, Hoffman decided to scrap the idea.

"Every time I drove past it, though, it kept saying to me, 'Oh come on, Kim!'" she said.



tions can be made by calling Deb at 897-6570 before May 31.

After some urging by local business owners, including the owner of Gerst Funeral Home located next door to the property, she decided to approach the Lowell City Planning Commission Monday night about the possibility of having the property rezoned for a bed and breakfast.

Under the city's ordinance, bed and breakfasts are only allowed in areas zoned suburban residential and R-1 (single family residential) as a special land use.

"I would love to have this bed and breakfast; however, there are some city codes that we would have to review to do what I want to do," Hoffman said.

After some review, the planning commission decided it would be easier to allow bed and breakfasts in the R-2 (multi-family housing) than to rezone the property, which

could be considered spot zoning. In general, none of the planning commissioners could see any reason why bed and breakfasts would not be allowed in the R-2 district.

"I guess the question before you is whether you want to pursue this before we make that call to the city attorney and have him draft up a change in the ordinance," planning commission chairperson Dan Brubaker said.

Before answering that, Hoffman also wanted to review a couple of the requirements the city has for bed and breakfasts.

Specifically, she wanted to know what the city meant by "operator having to live on the premises" and whether she would be allowed to serve catered luncheons for business meetings.

The planning commission indicated that an operator could imply her or someone she hires to manage the bed and breakfast.

"In other words, someone has to be there when there are people staying there," Brubaker said.

Regardless of whether Hoffman goes through with the project, the commission was in agreement that there was no reason a bed and breakfast could not be in an R-2 district.

If the planning commission approves the change in the ordinance, it will then go before the city council for final approval.

BOWNE TOWNSHIP

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING

TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2000 AT 7:30 P.M.

BOWNE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC HALL 8240 ALDEN NASH AVENUE

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

Kim Culbertson - 9449 Wingeier Avenue, Alto, requests a special land use permit to place an antique business in an accessory building in an A-1 Zoned area. PP# 41-24-27-200-002

Roger Blough, 13280 92nd Street S.E., Alto requests a side yard variance from 35 ft. to 25 ft. in the A-2 zoning in order to build an addition PP#41-24-26-200-004.

Written comments concerning these issues should be received prior to the hearing and addressed to: Pete Siler, Bowne Township Zoning Board of Appeals, P.O. Box 35, Alto, Michigan 49302.

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Hoag receives leader award from Bradley Univ.

MUTSCHLER - Evelyn A. Mutschler, aged 76, of Clarksville, passed away Friday, May 19, 2000, at Ashley Health Care Center in Ashley. She was born June 4, 1923, in

Bradley University student Beth Hoag of Lowell received an award at the Student Leader Recognition Reception held recently on the Bradley campus.

Hoag, a junior majoring in elementary education, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Hoag of Lowell. She received the Activities Council of Bradley University Coordinator of the Year award.

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Randy Flood will return on Thursday, June 8 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Lowell Area Schools' administration building to present his popular program, "Emotional Intelligence in Children, K-8th."
Sign up today by calling either 897-1214 or 897-1216. This is a free workshop, sponsored by Educational Supports Services. Child care may also be arranged when calling in your registration.

CLASS OF '90 REUNION
Lowell High School's class of 1990 will be holding its 10-year reunion on Saturday, Aug. 12 at Deer Run Golf Course. Cost is \$25 per person. Reservations must be sent in by June 1 to Chris or Selena DeGrote, 183 Lincoln Lake, Lowell, MI 49331 or call 897-7468.

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Retirement costs district the gifts and talents of Dottie Roth

••• The 1999-2000 school year will be the last one for the coordinator of Lowell's gifted and talented program. Dottie Roth has worked in the district for 29 years.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell students have benefited from numerous educational opportunities which have brought about a heightened awareness of things beyond their community.

While much of this opportunity and awareness can be traced to television and computers, Lowell's personalized link has been gifted and talented coordinator, Dottie Roth.

Kids are smarter today ... they have to be smarter," says Roth. "Through computers and television, more information is available to them."

Roth began putting together a gifted and talented program a little over four years ago. Since its inception, the program has provided additional educational opportunity for children who might not otherwise have received it in a regular classroom setting.

Credit Dottie with laying the ground work for the gifted and talented program. Because of her work and dedication we're closer to our goal of a solid program. She planted the seed for a gifted and talented program in the Lowell Area School District... we will benefit from her hard work for years to come.

Pam Thomas
Director of Educational Support Services

Prior to coordinating the gifted and talented program, Roth taught second-grade and fourth-grade for two years and fifth-grade for 21 years.

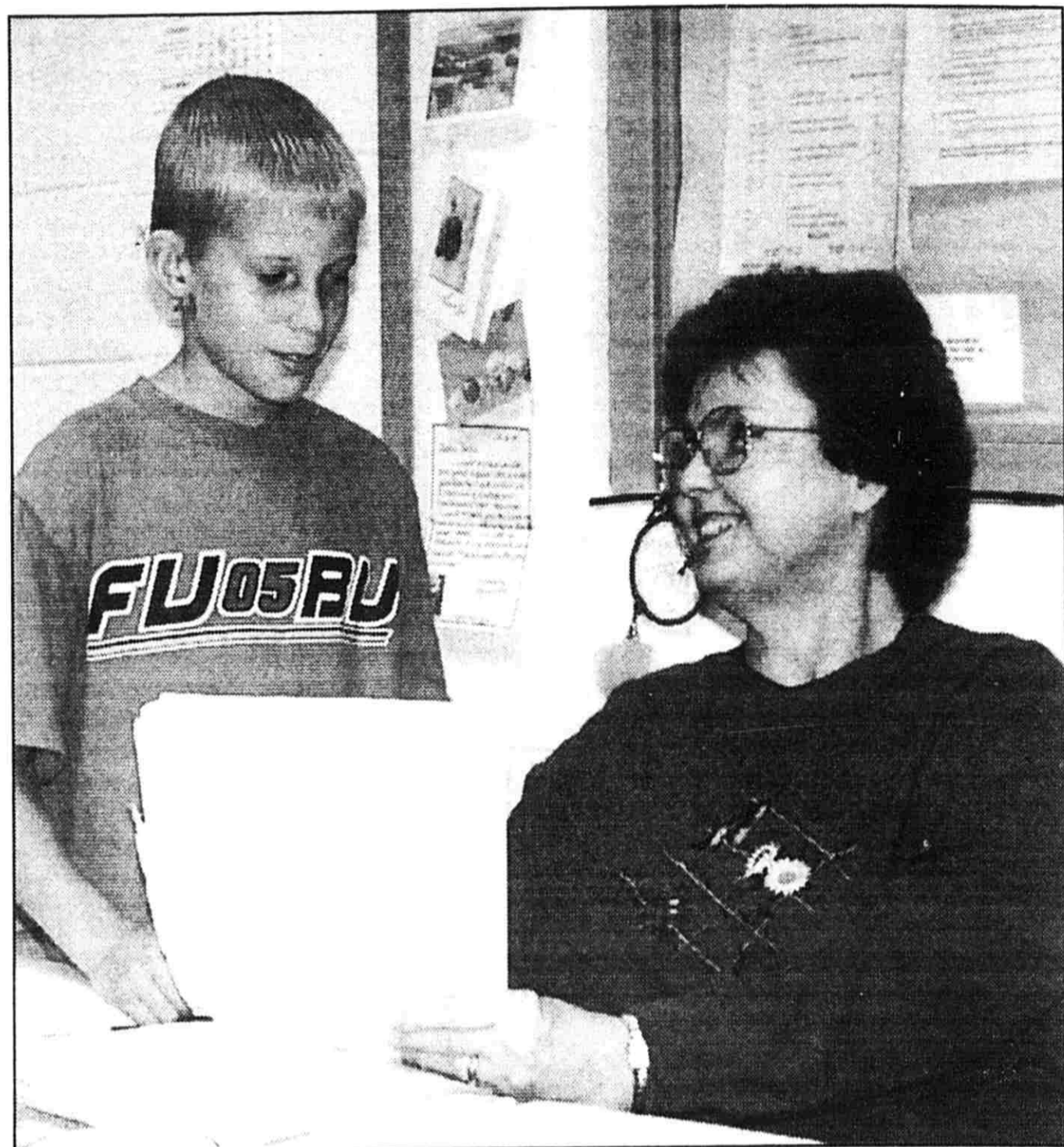
"I'm a very idealistic person," Roth explains. "Education has always been very important to me."

In her 29 years in the Lowell School District, Roth has shared and in many cases instilled that value into her students.

As a young girl growing up in Rising Sun, IN, Roth was encouraged daily about the importance of education and to continue her dream of being a teacher.

"I remember always wanting to be a teacher as a little kid," Roth said. "I grew up in a large family (12 children). I saw education as that doorway which would enable me

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Dottie Roth and Cherry Creek Elementary student Jordan Chipman spend some time reviewing homework.

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to live a life that I wanted to."

Roth has watched while many of her students have grown and taken their place in the community.

"That relationship with students and seeing them grow and take their place in the community has been special to me," Roth said. "I see former students working in banks, running their own businesses, and some are even working with me now."

That will soon change. Roth has announced that this year 29, will be her final year in the Lowell School District.

"It's time for me to step aside," Roth explained. "It's time for someone else to take the program (gifted and talented) further than what I have."

She says she made the decision to retire last summer. "There are other things on my to-do list," Roth said.

That list includes art classes, reading, travel, keeping up with family and working with kids.

"I would still like to remain involved as a volunteer or possibly as a part-time worker at the county level (summer school)," said Roth.

Roth has enjoyed her long tenure in Lowell because the district has always sought to become better. "It's never been satisfied to stay the same," she says. "I've enjoyed working with the people in this community and school district. They have just been excellent."



SAGITTARIAN SIGNIFICANCE

Lowell High School's symphonic band debuted "Sagittarian Dances" at the spring concert on May 16. The senior class of 2000 commissioned Steve Barton, of Midlothian, VA, to write a song celebrating the Class of 2000 and Lowell High School band director, of 27 years, Robert Rice.

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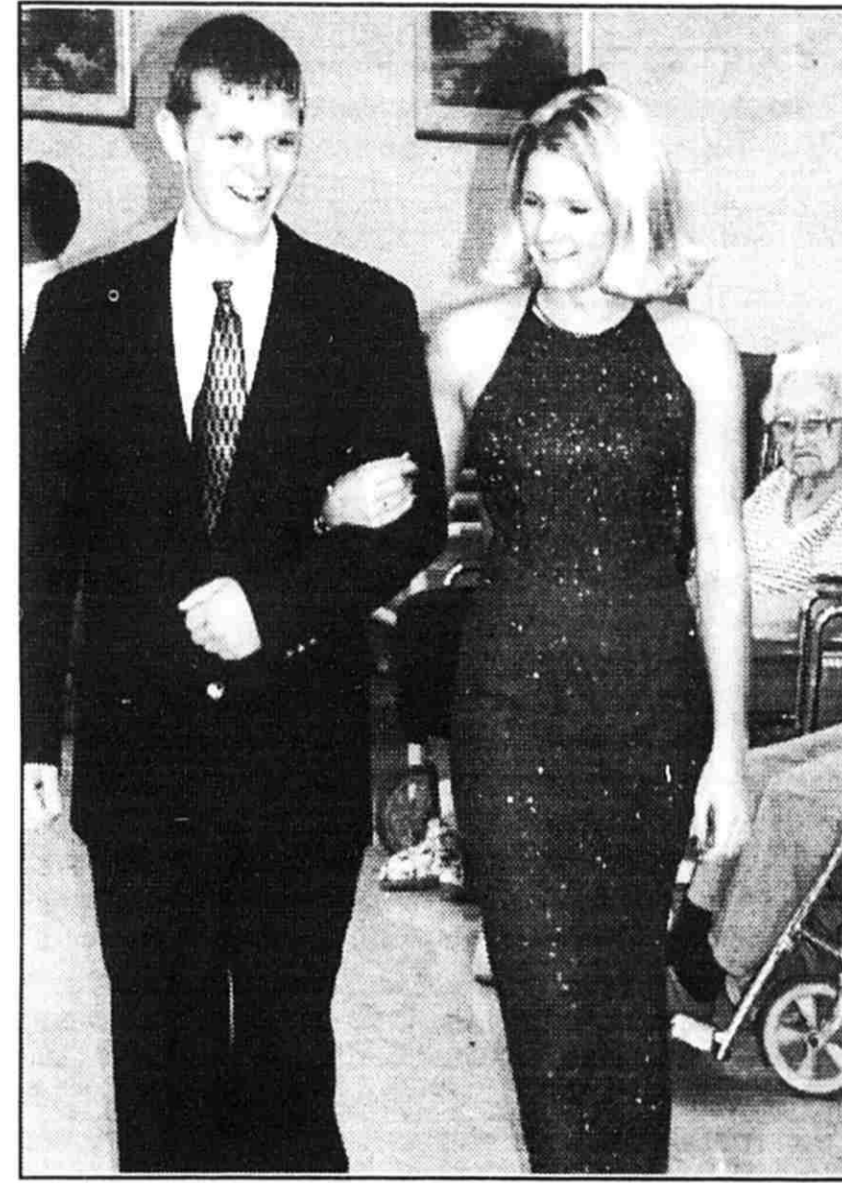
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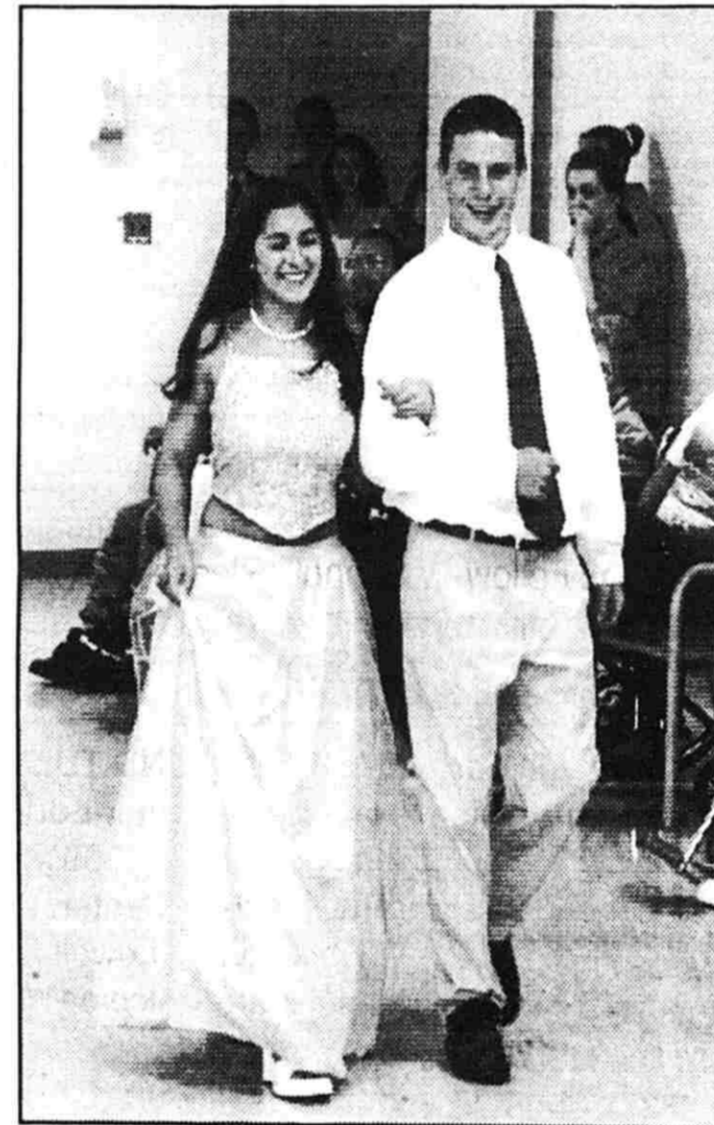
PROM FASHIONS 2000



Michael Rekeny and Bethany Fredline.



Elissa Kinney and Scott Pullen were among the dozen or so student council members who participated in the Laurels of Kent Prom Fashion Show. The show was organized by Laurels of Kent activities director Karen McGlamery.



Tina Delamar and Brent Lyons. Scott Pullen, Brent Lyons and Michael Rekeny served as escorts.



Brent Lyons escorts Laurels of Kent resident Bessie Merritt. Jenny Johnson emceed the event.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BOWNE TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE APPEAL REQUEST

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, June 13, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. at the Bowne Township Hall, 8240 Alden Nash S.E., Alto, the Bowne Township Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing for the purpose of hearing comments regarding a proposed appeal of the Bowne Township Zoning Ordinance.

The appeal is in regard to Section "A-2" of the Zoning Ordinance, relating to:

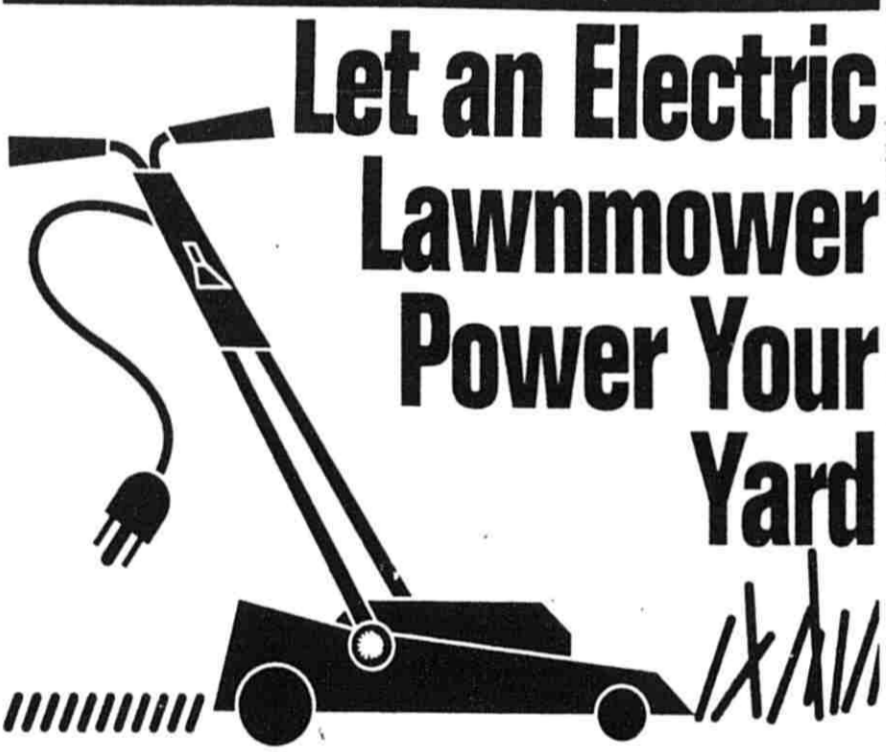
Side Yard Variance generally located at: 13280 92nd Street Section 26

and more fully described as follows:

N 581 ft. of E 300 ft. of W. 635 ft. of N.E. 1/4. Sec. 26 T5N R9W 4.00 A.

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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.

SECONDSUNDAY EACH MONTH: 3:15 to 4:30 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."

SUNDAYS - Beginning Feb. 13 (13 weeks) DivorceCare, 6-7:15 p.m. at Lowell Wesleyan Church, 1188 Lincoln Lake. For information call 897-6890.

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.

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 10210, 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 Pounds Sensibly Tops MI#372 meets every Tuesday evening at Key Heights Mobile Home Park Community Building. Weigh-ins at 5:45 p.m.

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

TUESDAYS: Summer play group for 3-year old/preschool age children. They meet weekly in the mornings and rotate houses. Also field trips. Interested in some summer fun with your little one? Call Kim 897-5257. Space limited - call soon.

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

SECOND & FOURTH TUES.: Alto Senior citizens meet at Alto Elementary School. Please call 868-6111 for luncheon reservations.

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

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

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

EVERY 3RD TUES.: Parents of children with AD/HD Issues Group meeting at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 32156 4 Mile NE (at 4 Mile and East Beltline) at 7 p.m. For info., call Linda at 874-5662. For teen group info., call Sarah 281-6588.

EVERY 1ST TUES.: Adults with AD/HD Issues Group meeting at Calvin College Rm. 206 of the Commons bldg. For information call Connie 942-6887.

EVERY OTHER WED.: 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.

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

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

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

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

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 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.

EVERY WEDNESDAY: Overeaters Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. at Forest Hills Presbyterian Church, 7495 Cascade Rd. (at 36th St.) No fees, no dues, no weigh-ins.

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

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

EVERY THURS. - St. Mary's Pregnancy Crisis Center, 402 Amity St., non-denominational-help for pregnant women and adolescents at the school. From 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. and on

Mondays from 5:30 - 8 p.m. Phone 897-9393.

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

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. Please call 752-7524 for more information.

SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH: The Ada Historical Society meets at the Averill Historical Museum of Ada, 7144 Headley at 7 p.m.

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

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

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

Simplex Frequency 147.420 PL 186.2.

THURS., FRI., SAT. & SUN.: Averill Historical Museum of Ada, 7144 Headley is open from 1 to 4 p.m.

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

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE: Business meeting held third Monday of each month at 8 p.m.

LOWELL AREA ARTS COUNCIL: Open Tues., Wed. & Fri. noon - 5 p.m.; Thurs., noon - 7 p.m.; Sat., 1-4 p.m. 149 S. Hudson.

STARTING NOW - St. Patrick School registration for 2000/2001 school year. Call 691-8833. For more information check our website at www.stpatrickparnell.org.

THURS., MAY 25: Commodities will be distributed starting at 7:30 a.m. at the Lowell Moose Lodge.

THURS., JUNE 1: Vergennes Cooperative Club will meet at 1 p.m. at Schneider Manor. Hostesses: Dorothy Byrne, Mary Meyers, Pauline Burtle; program: Sue

VerWys "Heart Reach" American Heart Asso.; sponsor: Phyllis Lessens.

THURS., JUNE 1: Belding Multiple Sclerosis Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. in Belding at the Belrockton Community Center. Call Carole at 616-761-3179 for further information. Anyone is welcome to attend.

WED., JUNE 14: Snow United Methodist Church at 3189 Snow Ave. S. E. will serve a family style Swiss steak dinner at 5:30 p.m. Adults \$7, children 5-12, \$2.

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LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR 897-5949

MON.: 8:30 a.m., Walking, Woodland Mall.
TUES.: 8:30 a.m. Walking, Woodland Mall.
WED.: 12:45 p.m. Shopping assistance.

THURS: 9 a.m. Walk and shop Woodland Mall; 9:30 a.m. Crafts; 1:00 p.m. Euchre.
FRI.: 8:30 a.m. Walking-Woodland Mall.

Special Events

THURS., JUNE 1: Dance Westside Complex.
FRI., JUNE 2: Noon, Center shower.
MON., JUNE 5: 12:40 p.m., Shop Meijers.
TUES., JUNE 6: 7:30 a.m., Music Rockford McDonald's.
WED., JUNE 7: 8 a.m., Men's breakfast.
WED., JUNE 7: 9:30 a.m., Blood pressure.
WED., JUNE 7: 12:40, Tour Channel 13.
FRI., JUNE 9: Sparta fashion show (here)
TUES., JUNE 13: 12:40 p.m., Shop Meijers.

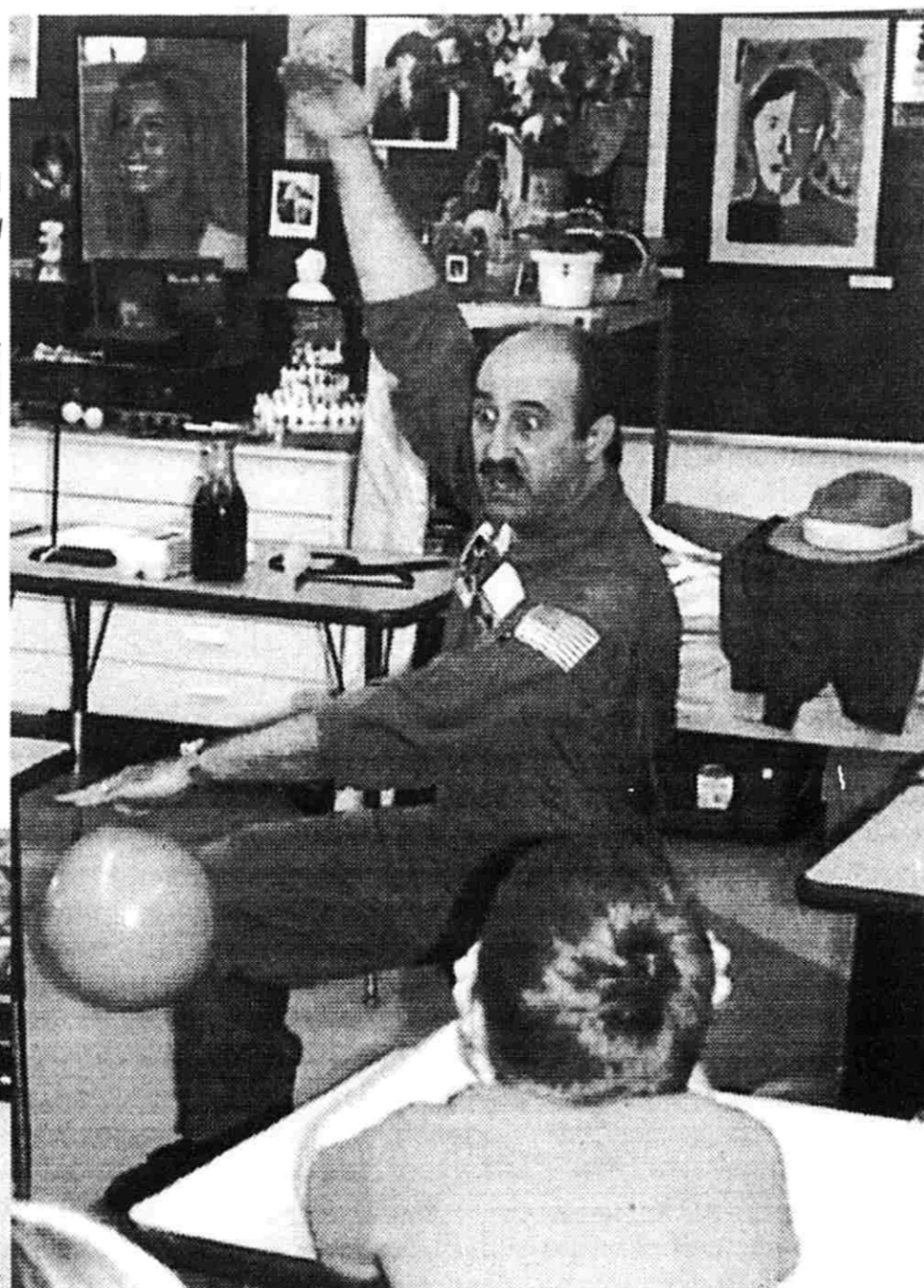
WED., JUNE 14: Noon, Movie "Sabrina" with Wm. Holden!
THURS., JUNE 15: Noon, Dance Westside Complex.
TUES., JUNE 20: 12:40 p.m., Shop D & W, Mall
WED., JUNE 21: 9:30 a.m., Advisory Council.
FRI., JUNE 23: 12:40 p.m., Gerontology Network.
TUES., JUNE 27: 11:30 a.m., Lunch Noels.
WED., JUNE 28: 8 a.m., Women's breakfast.
FRI., JUNE 30: 10:30 a.m., Picnic at Fallasburg.

*Dinner reservations should be made 4 working days in advance.



AEROSPACE EDUCATION ON THE FLY

Andy Lawrence, left, of Amway, shares information about the helicopter with Bill Stouffer's class. Alto Elementary School took part in an Aerospace Day. The goal was to inspire students in the area of aerospace - as it is an important facet of their lives. Some of the activities enjoyed by students included a hot air balloon presentation by Remax; an aerospace assembly presented by Jim Fitzgerald, district educator from NASA Glenn Research Center in Cleveland, OH; a presentation by Air Bear 99; and a viewing of the sun via the James C. Veen Observatory telescope with a sun filter.

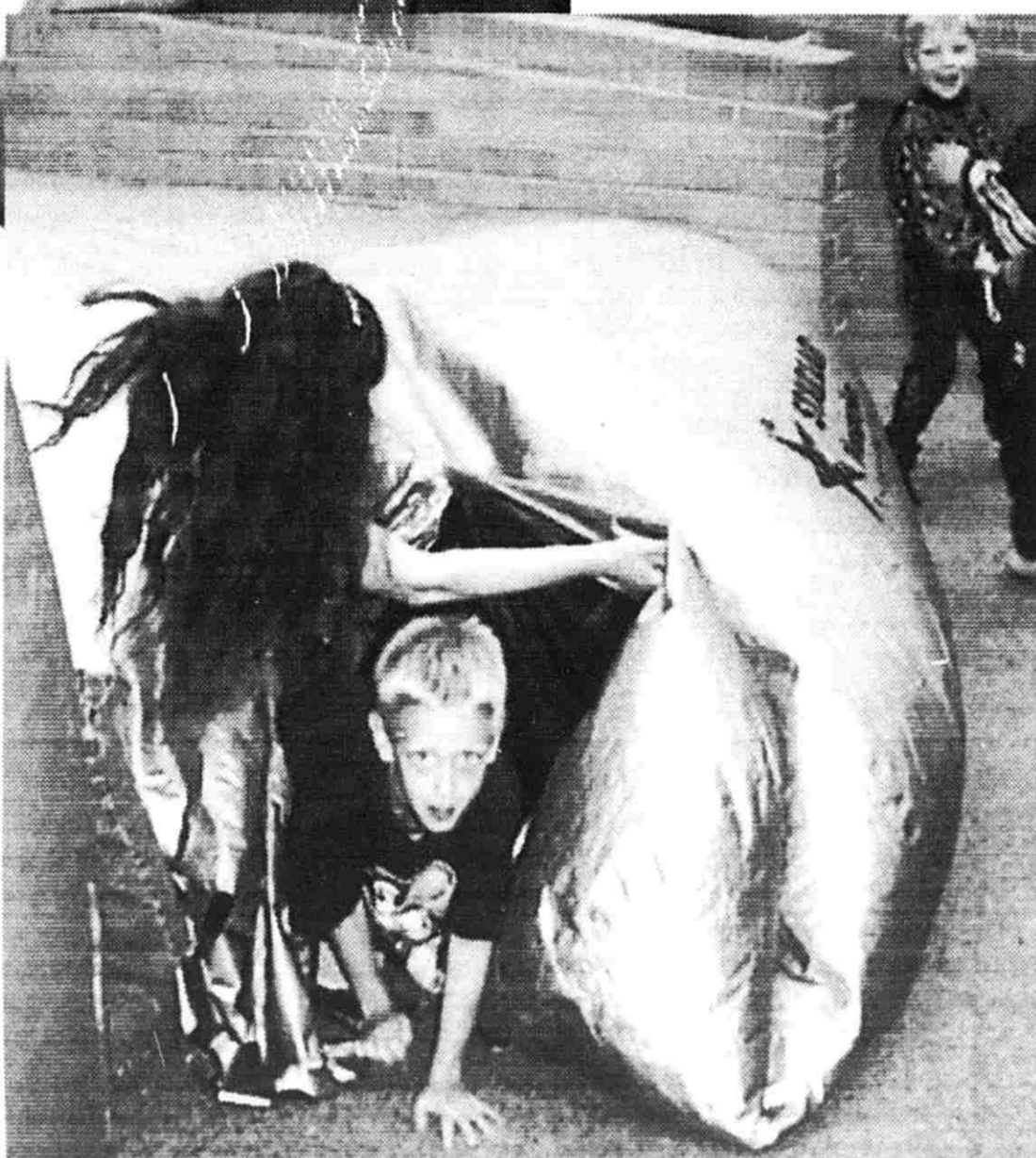


Jerry Pahl, of Kalamazoo Air Zoo, talked to students about weight and mass which included a number of demonstrations.



Information shared on this mini Air Force Jet kept the attention of Alto students.

Mary Rexford, a fourth-gradestudent in Jim Lovach's classroom, enjoyed her chance to sit in the Army National Guard helicopter.



Matt Misak and other Alto students visited the inflatable planetarium. It was provided by the Kent Intermediate School District.



Jesse Droog checks out the Amway Corporate helicopter.

Smith baffles Pioneers on three hits in Lowell 3-1 win

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

In his first league start of the season, Lowell's Mike Smith handcuffed East Grand Rapids on just two hits, and Lowell defeated the Pioneers 3-1.

"Mike pitched a super game against one of the best teams in the OK White," said Lowell baseball coach Tim Antel.

The Red Arrows jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first inning.

Jake Baum led off with a walk, then stole second and third before scoring on an RBI single by Eric Gruber. Josh Brown plated Gruber with an RBI single to give Lowell a 2-0 lead.

Lowell added its third run in the fourth on Brown's second RBI of the game.

"We had outstanding pitching and our defense was solid," Antel said.

Lowell 4-11
Zeeland 6-5

The Red Arrows were bitten by a big inning in the opener.

Zeeland, trailing 4-1, scored five runs in the fourth inning to take a 6-4 lead. Zeeland pitcher Tony Grupen held Lowell scoreless over the last three innings to earn the win for the Chix.

With one out, a Lowell error gave Zeeland a base-runner. Chris DeWitt made the Red Arrows pay as he blasted a two-run home run to cut Lowell's lead to 4-3.

Following the home run, Lowell walked two Zeeland batters. The Chix followed that with a two-run double and an RBI single to take a 6-4 lead.

Lowell scored six runs in the fourth inning of game two to overcome a 4-1 Zeeland lead and went on to win the game 11-5.

Pete Van Laan carried the big stick as he was 2-for-2 with four RBI and two sacrifices.

Tim Schutte was 2-for-3 with three RBI. David Rozema went 2-for-4 with two RBI and Brady Foster was 2-for-4 with one RBI.

"We played pretty well but were unable to close

Zeeland out in that first game," Antel said.

Wyoming Park 9-5
Lowell 4-4

Timely hitting by Wyoming Park and suspect pitching by Lowell led to the Vikings' sweep of the Red Arrows.

"We were up 4-0 in game one and couldn't put them away. We allowed them to have a big inning," Lowell baseball coach Tim Antel said. "Park also was able to come with some timely hits."

Brady Foster started the first game for Lowell and pitched well through five innings.

One of Lowell's four runs came on a solo home run by Tim Schutte.

In game two, Park used a four-run fifth to defeat Lowell 5-4. They scored their runs on three walks, three singles and a catcher's interference call.

In a non-conference game Lowell defeated Middleville Saturday 11-7.

Red Arrow girls track team places third at regional; qualifies for state in five events

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell girls track team qualified in five events for the state tournament in Grandville on June 3.

The Red Arrows finished third in the Division II Michigan High School Athletic Association regional track meet Saturday at Lowell.

Battle Creek Lakeview ran away and hid from the 16-team field with 104.40 points. Chelsea was second with 66 and Lowell followed with 50. They were followed by Mason 41.40, Portland 38, Haslett 35.40, Parma Western 32, Battle Creek Harper Creek 31, Jackson Northwest 31, Charlotte 26, Coldwater 21, Eaton Rapids 17.40, Dexter 13, Lansing Waverly 10, Marshall 7 and Tecumseh 3.40.

In qualifying for the state tournament, Lowell also set two new school records.

"It was a good day," said Lowell girls track coach Kathy Talus. "It was nice to be competing against schools our own size. The last couple of years we took a beating, competing at the Class A level against bigger schools."

Nicole Gillikin finished first in the pole vault and qualified for the state tournament by clearing 9'3", a new school record. Ashley Cunningham qualified for state by placing fourth with a height of 8'6".

Kristi Ford and Rachelle Becker qualified for the state tournament in the high jump. Ford was the regional champion, clearing a height of 5'4". Becker didn't place but

jumped the additional qualifying height of 5'0".

Krystal White qualified for the state tournament in the 300 low hurdles. She came home in second place, stopping the clock in 48.5 seconds. April Telman (48.9) missed qualifying for the state meet by one-tenth of a second.

Lisa Wojciakowski stopped the clock in 2:26.5 in the 800-meter run. She finished sixth but her time was good enough to qualify for the state meet.

Becker placed sixth in the shot put with a distance of 31' 1 1/2".

The 3200-meter relay team of Wojciakowski, Holly Plattner, Kate Anderson and Abby Vos set a school record in finishing sixth in a time of 10:08.75.

Telman (16.5) and White (16.8) placed third and fifth respectively in the 110-meter hurdles.

Kim Huyser came home in 13.4 seconds in the 100-meter dash placing sixth.

"It was sort of bittersweet. I was real happy with two school records and qualifying for state in five events, but sad that we just missed qualifying for state in the 3200-meter relay," Talus said.



Above, Tim Schutte gets a warm greeting at home plate following his home run against the Vikings. Left, Pete Van Laan fires for an out.

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Softball team sweeps Park and Zeeland; 5-0 for the week

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

A three-run rally in the seventh inning enabled Lowell to run its winning streak to four as it swept Wyoming Park 4-3, 8-2.

"The girls never hang their heads. They keep coming at you," Lowell softball coach Bob Rodenhouse explained.

The doubleheader sweep improved the Red Arrows' record to 13-10-1 overall and 6-6 in the OK White.

Lowell trailed the Vikings 3-1 entering the seventh inning of game one.

Noelle Dewey led off with a single and advanced to second on a wild pitch before taking third on a Jacque Benedict hard hit groundball to the shortstop. Dewey then scored on a wild pitch cutting the deficit to one at 3-2.

With one out Jody Seif found an alley in left center, pulling into second with a double.

Annie Zalokar, with two strikes on her, grounded a single into right, past the Park second baseman, scoring Seif and knocking the game at 3-3.

Angie DeWit then coaxed a walk. Kelly Kemen followed with a soft liner over the head of the Vikings' second baseman. Zalokar was held at third.

With bases loaded and one out, Zalokar scored the winning run on a wild pitch.

"Dewey was huge at the plate for us," Rodenhouse said. The Red Arrow had three hits.

Park grabbed a 3-0 lead in the third inning off of Kemen. Lowell got a run back in the bottom of the inning on a run-scoring single by Benedict.

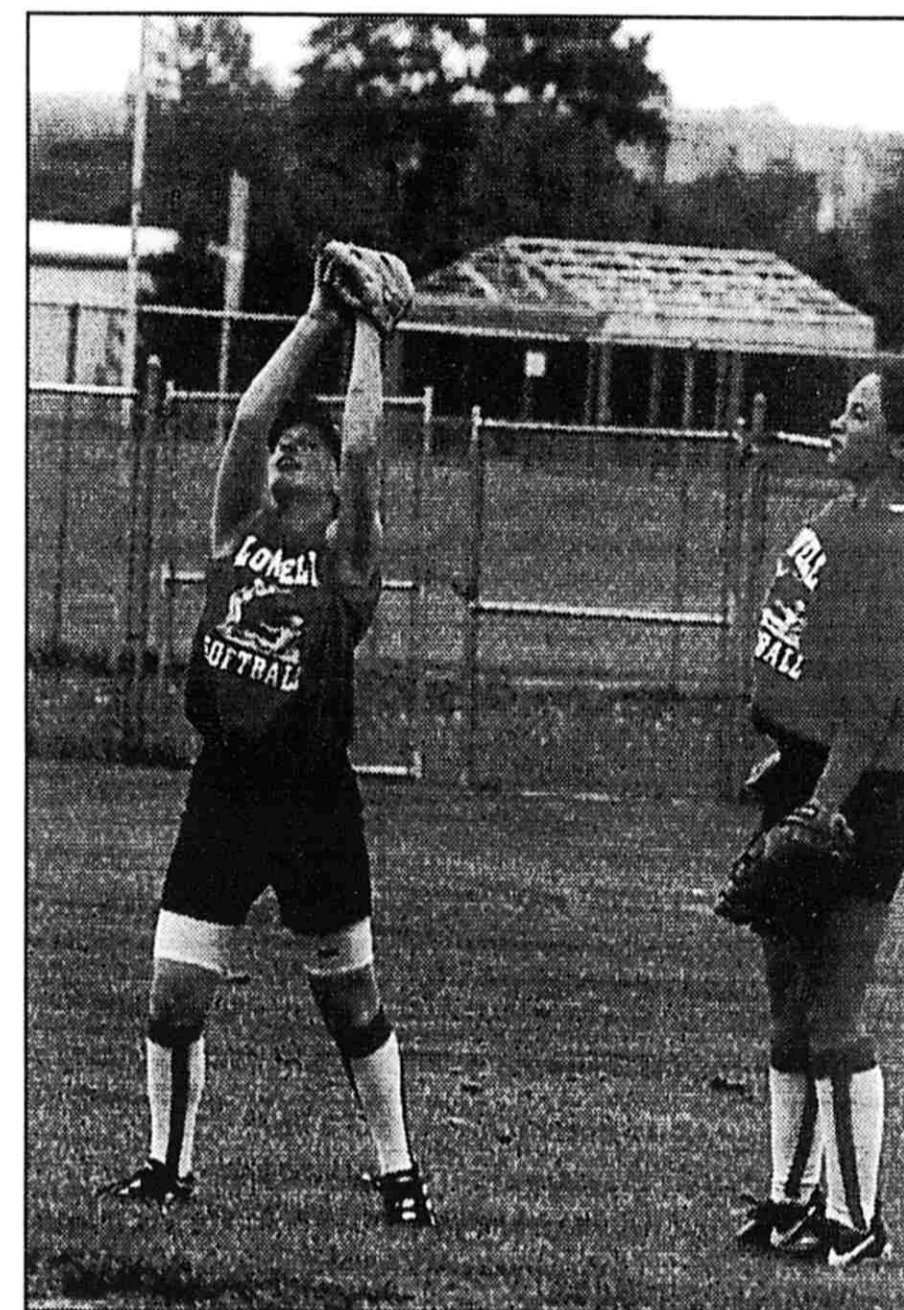
In game two, Jenny Williams went 3-for-4 with four RBIs to lead Lowell to victory.

Williams had a two-run single in the first, and RBI singles in the fifth and seventh innings.

"Jenny came through and had a big game for us," Rodenhouse said. "Her first inning single scored out fourth and fifth runs. That was big. I think it took Park out of the game early."

Kemen threw just 67 pitches in game two. She retired the first nine batters she faced. The senior's record is now 11-7

overall and 6-6 in the OK White. "Our top four hitters in game two did not get a hit," Rodenhouse explained. "The bottom part of our order came through with the hits."



Lowell rightfielder Angie DeWit watches as second baseman Tara Kimble squeezes a pop up in between first and second.

Lowell 12 EGR 0 (5 innings)

The Red Arrows tallied four runs in the first, second and third innings to do away with the Pioneers in just 58 minutes. Angie Dewit led the way with two hits and two RBI.

Tara Kimble and Noelle Dewey each added two hits and Jacque Benedict knocked in two runs.

Kelly Kemen held East Grand Rapids to just a lonely third-inning single.

Lowell 6-8 Zeeland 3-2

The Red Arrows tallied three runs in the seventh inning to break up a 3-3 tie and to win the first of two games at Zeeland. Amanda Brown started Lowell's seventh inning as she got aboard on a Chix error. Courtney Hedlund then sacrificed her to second.

Beth Fredline plated the winning run with an RBI double into left center field.

After Noelle Dewey grounded out back to the pitcher, Jacque Benedict and Annie Zalokar walked to load the bases with two out.

Angie DeWit followed with a two-run single into left field to give Lowell a three-run lead.

Both Fredline and Zalokar finished the game with two hits and two RBIs.

Kelly Kemen pitched a complete game allowing three runs on seven hits while walking three and striking out two.

The Red Arrows took a 3-0 lead in the fifth on three Zeeland errors, a walk and a single.

In game two, Lowell scored a single run in the second, two in the third, two in the fourth and three in the fifth in easing to a victory.

Benedict went 3-for-4 with an RBI and scored two runs. Hedlund was 2-for-3 and Zalokar was 1-for-4 with two RBI. Kemen pitched. She allowed two runs on three hits while walking three and striking out two.

Lowell turned five double plays in the double header.

Lowell linksters seventh at regional; fourth in conference meet

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Wet or rainy, tough or easy, the Lowell girls golf team's score has not changed.

"The girls shoot just about the same thing no matter the conditions or the course," Lowell girls golf coach Rick White said.

That held true at the regional in East Lansing on Tuesday. The conditions at the Forest Akers Golf Course were wet and muddy.

Lowell carded a 308 or a 264 per nine, which is just where the team score has been all year.

"The girls did okay in

tough conditions. I was hoping we'd shoot a 398 and that would have gotten us into the top five," White explained.

Amber Kuipers led the Red Arrows with a round of 98. Kate Gunberg and Jenny Gunberg each carded scores of 102 while Kelly Fitzpatrick finished with a 106.

East Lansing won the regional with Greenville and Ionia finishing second and third. Hastings, OK White champion, was fourth.

In the OK White league meet, Lowell placed fourth.

East Grand Rapids won it with a round of 392. Hastings

and Wyoming Park carded rounds of 398 and Lowell finished with a 416.

The Red Arrows were followed by Zeeland 425, Forest Hills Central 429, Northview 468 and Hudsonville 500.

"The same thing ... I was hoping we'd do a little better, but the girls shot what they have been shooting. The conditions were miserable," White said. "We haven't been way out of anything all year. A few strokes here or there and we're second in the conference and fourth or fifth at the regional."

Few things are harder to put up with than the annoyance of a good example.

—Mark Twain

NOTICE TO CREDITORS LIVING TRUST ESTATE

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CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE

Lowell City offices, Lowell Light and Power and Lowell Cable TV will be closed on Monday, May 29, 2000 in observance of Memorial Day.

The City of Lowell refuse schedule will be delayed one day from Monday through Friday due to the holiday.



Betty R. Morlock
City Clerk

Eight Red Arrow boys advance to state track meet; Lowell fourth at regional

◆◆◆ Lowell's Mike Williams qualifies for state in three events; Ken Palcowski in two.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell boys track team qualified in five events for the Division II state track meet.

The Red Arrows placed fourth in the Michigan High School Division II Regional track meet at Lowell on Saturday.

Haslett was the regional champion with 85 points. It was followed by Lansing Waverly 66.50, Battle Creek Harper Creek 64, Lowell 51, Chelsea 49, Marshall 34, Mason 31, Coldwater 28, Charlotte 28, Tecumseh 27, Jackson Northwest 23, Battle Creek Lakeview 13.5, Dexter 11, Eaton Rapids 9, Portland 5, and Parma Western 2.

Kim Foster, the father of Lowell freshman Matt Foster, drove back from Chicago on Saturday so he could see his son run in the regional.

Foster got into the stadium in time to watch Matt hold off a Jackson Northwest runner and earn Lowell a second-place finish in the 1600-meter relay and a berth to the state tournament.

"Matt did a heck of a job holding them off," Lowell track coach Keith Boeve said.

Foster was the fourth leg. Joining him in the relay were Ryan Mix, Mark Maatman and Scott Weir.

Red Arrow Mike Williams ran and jumped his way into three events at the State

Tournament, scheduled June 3 in Grandville.

Williams finished second in the 100-meter with a time of 11.27, placing behind Lansing Waverly's Freddie Kirkland (10.99).

Williams placed fifth in the high jump with a state-qualifying height of 6-2.

Williams teamed with Ken Palcowski, Jeff Telman and Mark Catlin for a second place finish in the 800-meter relay. They were clocked at 1:32.05. Lansing Waverly was first at 1:32.03.

Palcowski also qualified for the state meet in the 200-meter run. He stopped the clock at 23.10 placing second to Nelson Deford of Haslett (22.50).

"Williams had an impressive day qualifying for state in three events," Boeve said. "The team had a good day, we're sending eight kids to state and qualified in five events."



Mike Williams placed fifth in the high jump with a mark of 6'2".

Girls soccer team dishes Hastings a 3-2 loss; Posthumus nets game-winning goal

◆◆◆ We were up 3-2 with a little less than 10 minutes to play and the girls responded well. They stepped up and did the things they needed to do to win the game.

Ryan Conlan
Lowell Girls Soccer Coach

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Heather Posthumus scored her second goal of the game and Lowell's winning goal with a little under 15 minutes to play as the Red Arrow soccer team defeated Hastings 3-2.

Posthumus scored Lowell's winning goal on an assist from Kristen Wysocki.

The Red Arrow's first goal came in the first half with Lowell trailing 1-0. Posthumus, on a feed from Wysocki, creased the net to tie the game at 1-1.

"Posthumus is playing so well right now. She's playing smart and doing a good job of switching fields for us," said Lowell soccer coach Ryan Conlan.

Wysocki tied the game at 2-2 early in the second half with a goal of her own.

Hastings out-shot Lowell 28-18. The Red Arrows were aided by some terrific play in the net by Lindsay Plescher. The Lowell keeper recorded 22 saves.

"Lindsay made two game-saving saves in the last 10 minutes," Conlan said. "We got a great team effort."

The win avenges Lowell's 4-0 loss to Hastings earlier in the year.

"We were up 3-2 with a little less than 10 minutes to play and the girls responded well. They stepped up and did the things they needed to do to win the game," Conlan said.

The Lowell coach also praised the play of senior Kelly Chapman. "She's been everywhere for us. She's beating the defender one-on-one and creating shot opportunities, and distributing the ball well."

Hastings and Lowell could meet again before the season's over. Hastings plays Greenville in the opening round of the district. The winner of that game plays Lowell.

"One of our goals this year was to beat Hastings. Another goal was to win a district game," Conlan said. Lowell may have to defeat Hastings a second time to get that district win.

Lowell finished the week at 2-9-1 in the league and 3-9-1 overall.

You can always tell luck from ability by its duration.

—Anonymous

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LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP
SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF MONDAY, MAY 15, 2000

Called to order at 7:00 p.m. 7 board members present. Minutes of the special meeting of April 3, the regular meeting of April 17, and the special meeting of May 1, 2000 all approved.

Approved bills totaling:

General Fund.....	\$111,663.67
Sewer Fund.....	\$5,972.81
Water Fund.....	\$7,841.35
Trust & Agency Fund.....	\$950.00

Business Conducted: Moved to sign the Alto Sewer Agreement if council with the township attorney and engineer produces approval; appointed Carlton Blough as the Board of Trustees representative on the township Planning Commission effective June 1, 2000; read a resolution into the minutes thanking the Clerk for her years of service; approved a bonus check for the Clerk in the amount of \$2,500; awarded the bid for the shelter house at the township park to Jerry Bossard; received the building report for the month of April.

Adjournment at 7:40 p.m.

Carol L. Wells, Clerk

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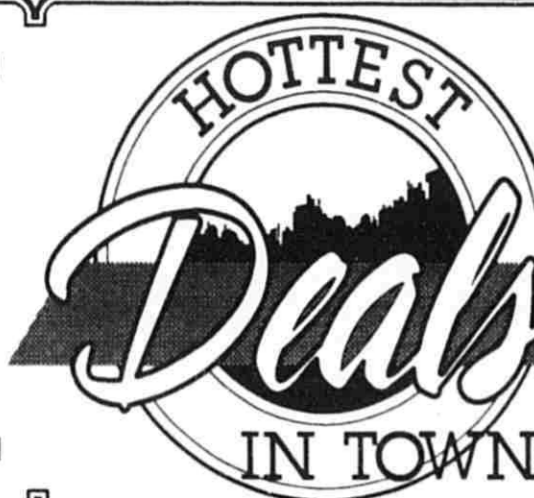
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CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE
Lowell City offices, Lowell Light and Power and Lowell Cable TV will be closed on Monday, May 29, 2000 in observance of Memorial Day.
The City of Lowell refuse schedule will be delayed one day from Monday through Friday due to the holiday.



ARE IN THE LEDGER

Classifieds

- HELP WANTED HELP WANTED HELP WANTED HELP WANTED HELP WANTED CARD OF THANKS

INSURANCE COMPANY - seeking friendly, energetic, outgoing person to set agent's appointments & answer phones...

IMMEDIATE HIRE - Summer help, \$1,500 Summer bonus, Company take-over by publicly traded company...

FOOD SERVICE/ WAIT STAFF - Come and work in our elegant facility. We have immediate openings for full time Wait Staff.

SANITATION - Litehouse, manufacturer of salad dressings, is in need of an individual for our 3rd shift Sanitation crew.

CENA - We have immediate openings for quality full-time and part-time 2nd shift CENA's in our private pay nursing facility.

CARD OF THANKS - We wish to thank all of those who showed an act of sympathy, the kind words, the phone calls, food, cards, flowers...

GRATTAN TOWNSHIP PART-TIME SEWER BILLING CLERK - Responsibilities include generating quarterly sewer statements, mailing computer generated statements & posting receipts in a dedicated computer program.

GRAND RAPIDS AREA CONCRETE - sawing and drilling firm now accepting applications for full time and seasonal positions.

CONSTRUCTION/BRICK LAYER TENDER - No experience needed, fun job, good pay for clean cut guy.

HOME MAILERS NEEDED - Earn \$635 weekly mailing letters. Easy! Limited open positions.

SEWER AND DRAIN TECHNICIAN - experience required. Excellent pay and benefits. Call 897-6017.

LOOKING FOR 2 TEAM PLAYERS - Will train. Flexible hours. Write your own paycheck! Call Craig Sanborn 942-2300.

HELP WANTED - We are currently looking for full-time hardworking, motivated individuals for asphalt maintenance laborers & for lawn maintenance laborers.

HELP WANTED - Hairstylist/nail technician, full or part time. Must be experienced. For more information please call 897-7131 Brenda's Hair Designs.

MARKET RESEARCH SPECIALIST - Need a 2nd job? \$8.00 an hour. Talk to us! Handling phone surveys.

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RN-LPN PRN - We are a private pay (NO MEDICARE CHARTING) nursing facility. We offer an excellent working environment.

DATA ENTRY INTERVIEWER - Is this you? You like talking on the phone, have some typing ability, & need a flexible schedule?

WORK FROM HOME - Mail Order \$500 - \$7,000 PT/FT Training provided. www.keypeople.cjb.net

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MIDDLE SCHOOL SECRETARY - to the principal position available. Letters of interest should be sent to Lowell Area Schools, Personnel Office, 300 High St., Lowell, MI 49331.

DRIVER - CDLB drivers needed. Looking for dependable, customer service oriented person w/chaufer's CDLB, or CDLA license, full time and part time. Benefits (full time), good working environment, also hiring nights and weekends.

HAIRSTYLIST - Busy hair salon in Cascade. Guaranteed hourly, or commission. Earn top dollar with instant clientele. Free tanning. Call 800-456-0686.

WANTED EXPERIENCED FIBERGLASS TECHNICIAN - Starting wage depends on experience. Will train reliable people. Wage increases based on experience and dependability.

HOUSEKEEPING POSITION - (summer) available immediately, general & detailed cleaning & light lifting. Apply in person at Cascade Hills Country Club, 3725 Cascade Rd. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546.

LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT - Motivated individual needed for position on ornamental pruning crew. Seasonal or full-time position available, experience preferred. Call Joe at Hilbrands Landscape Management, Inc. 616-942-9591.

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BACKHOE OPERATOR/PIPELAYER - experienced with residential sewer and water installation and repair. Excellent pay and benefits. Call 897-6017.

FOR RENT - 3 bedroom, doublewide on 3 acres North of Lowell!! \$800.00/a mo. Only interested need inquire. (616) 897-5546.

COTTAGES FOR RENT - Mackinac City area. 1 & 2 bedroom housekeeping cottages on Paradise Lake, 5 miles S. of Mackinac. Sandy beach, excellent fishing, boat included. INFO: Maple's Resort 231-537-4814.

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IN MEMORIAM

IN MEMORIAM - In memory of Richard C. Beach, who was taken from us suddenly in a car accident 18 years ago on May 23, 1982: Memory is the golden bridge that keeps our hearts in touch...

PERSONALS

TRYING TO LOCATE - an old friend who was raised in Lowell. Maiden name is Sandy Cole. Daughter of Bill & Thelma. Call collect, Kitty Kole VanZile, 813-932-5658.

Be sure to check out the school lunch menu in this issue of the Ledger.



REMAX GRAND OPENING

ReMax Country Hills owner/broker Joice Smith held a grand opening at 2050 W. Main on May 10. Pictured with Smith is ReMax associate agent Charles Lupton. Guests of Smith's included officers from the ReMax of Michigan Regional office and other area ReMax officers.



HOTTEST Deals IN TOWN CONTINUED Classifieds

- FOR SALE FOR SALE FOR SALE SERVICES SERVICES SERVICES

HOMESITES AVAILABLE - 2 - 26 acres, walkout sites. Perked Go East on M-21, East of Ionia to Muir, to Hayes & Hayden Roads.

HOUSE FOR SALE - Brand new, 2-story w/walkout & attached garage on 2+ acres, w/additional 7 acre conservancy area. 3 bedrooms, 3 baths & master w/whirlpool.

1993 GMC JIMMY - 4 x4, Vortex V6 engine, auto., 90,000 miles, Reese hitch, leather & loaded. Well maintained, lady driven. \$5,600/offer. Call 940-1856 after 6 p.m.

LOGAN LAKE - Sat., May 20, LOST, 4 hp Mercury outboard, 5 Ultra Light rods & reels. Cash reward for return or information leading to return. Call 897-8973.

WANTED JOBS - Painting, demolition, tree work, retaining walls, lakefront cleanups, small roofs, general household repairs. Call 517-637-8322.

RENTERS - Why rent when you can buy? Over 60 different zero/low down programs available. Think of the possibilities. Example: Employed w/average credit \$761.23 a month buys a \$99,000 home w/zero down, 30 years @ 8.5% APR.

BEANIE BABIES FOR SALE - The Beginning, 2000 Signature, \$17 each. Niles, Glow, Morrie, Fleecie, Auraro, Bushy, Rufus, Grace, Sarge, Scurry, Sneaky, Springy, Wiggly, \$11 each.

FOR SALE - 1991 Grand Am, 4 door, clean, \$2,350.00 obo. 897-1407.

DIRECTV - mini-satellite dish. \$59 - lowest price ever! This week only! 1-800-459-7357, K-20.

SERVICES

FLOWER FARM GREENHOUSES - Open for the season. Monday thru Saturday, 9-6. 1 quart and 1 gallon perennials, large selection of hostas & day lilies. (64th St. 2-1/4 mi. E. of M-50).

PLUMBING REPAIR SERVICE - Water heaters, toilets, etc. installed. Licensed & insured master plumber. 897-7292.

QUEEN 4 POST BED - Solid pine w/pillowtop mattress (bought new, never used), cost \$1,200, sacrifice \$350 or best. 517-227-0006.

1993 DODGE SHADOW - 5 speed, radio/tape player, no air, 90,000 miles. \$2,500 or best offer. Call 897-6538.

SEIZED CARS - From \$500. Sport, luxury & economy cars. Trucks, 4x4's, utility & more. For current listings, call 1-800-311-5048 ext. 8029.

CHILD CARE & PRESCHOOL OPENINGS - for 3-6 year-olds at Big Steps Little Feet Christian Child Care in Ada. 682-8300.

WANTED - 10 more lawns to cut for summer. Call 517-637-8322.

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HOMES FROM \$5,000 - Foreclosed & repossessed. No or low down payment. Credit trouble O.K. For current listings call 1-800-311-5048 ext. 7004.

NEW HOLLAND 56 - five bar hay rake. Good condition, \$750. Call 897-8693.

1979 CORVETTE - 53,000 miles, very clean. \$11,000. Call 794-3225 after 5 p.m.

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FULL SIZE TRUCK CAMPER - self contained, A/C, \$450 obo. Page 444-7633.

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THE FLOWER LADY HAS HEARD - it's going to be a long hot summer. Keeping your loved ones' flowers and plants watered and fertilized at the cemetery is not always easy. The Flower Lady will do it all summer for \$35 in the Saranac area. Call 616-642-9533.



**Observed Monday,
May 29, 2000**

LOWELL

Parade forms at Richard's Park on N. Hudson St. Parade route is S. on Hudson to Main St., East on Main St. to Veteran's Memorial Park on E. side of Flat River and stops for Memorial Service and wreath deployment. Invocation and prayer by Ed Rash, Chaplain of American Legion Post #152. Proceeds E. on Main St. to N. Monroe, N. on Monroe St. to Oakwood Cemetery. Master of ceremonies at Oakwood: Dave Clark, Jr. V.F.W. Post 8303.

Parade starts at 9:30 a.m.

Invocation: Ed Rash, Chaplain.

Guest speaker Rev. W. Lee Taylor, 1st Baptist Church.

Parade Marshal: Gordon Marshall, Commander, V.F.W. Post 8303. Gordon Marshall at 897-8625.

FLOATS ARE WELCOME BUT NO CANDY TOSSING PLEASE! Floral tributes by civic organizations and clubs are encouraged. All veterans, uniformed or not, are invited to participate.

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SARANAC

10:00 a.m. - Parade starts at the Village parking lot at the rear of business district and ends at the cemetery. All entries welcome. There will be a short program at the cemetery. The high school bands will perform and there will be several recitations.

Speaker, Ray Voet, Ionia County District 64A court

ALTO MERRIMAN CEMETERY

Sunday, May 28 at 2 p.m. Speaker: Mark Cizaushas, assistant pastor, West Cannon Baptist Church

S. BOSTON CEMETERY

103rd Meeting: 12 Noon at S. Boston Bible Church
Pot Luck Picnic To Follow
Speaker: Pastor Ron Tuinstra

BOWNE CENTER

8:00 p.m. - Meet at the Bowne Cemetery. Service will be held followed by a 21-gun salute and taps.



GRATTAN

12th Annual Bridge Walk and Memorial Day Tribute.

8-10 A.M.: Fire Department, pancake breakfast

10:30 A.M.: Chalk the Walk, bike parade & judging

11 A.M.: Bridge walk program & bridgework invocation: Rev. Gary Davis

Programs Following: Bike parade awards at Town Hall, exhibits at the new museum, rescue unit & fire truck, carnival at Grattan Academy, lunch available.

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