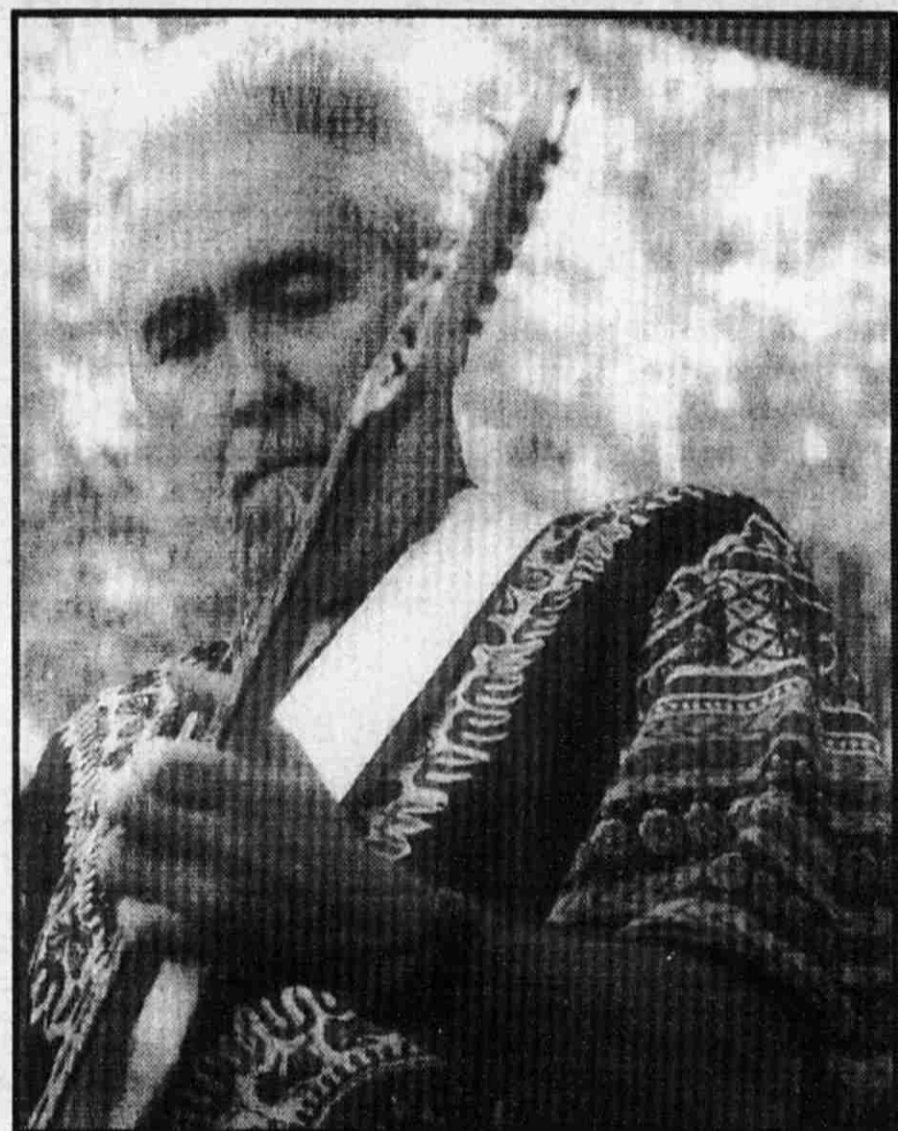


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Jimmy Stagger will share some of the new tunes from his latest CD "The Triumphant Return of Slim Jim."

Jimmy Stagger opens the Lowell Showboat Summer Concert Series Thursday

One of Grand Rapids biggest and best blues performers will open the Lowell Showboat Summer Concert Series.

Jimmy Stagger will bring his unique vocal phrasing and his mandolin, fiddle and bottleneck guitar talents along with his newly released CD "The Triumphant Return of Slim Jim."

It's been six years since Stagger's "Cruel Hearted Papa" release captured the attention of area blues fans.

The sound of Stagger will fill the air from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. on Thursday at the Riverwalk Plaza. It is the first of 10 consecutive weeks of free musical entertainment on the Riverwalk Plaza for Lowell and the surrounding area.

Stagger bought his first guitar in 1965 and his blues music was not far behind.

After playing with various local bands, Stagger founded the Wealthy Street Sheiks in 1970.

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A toast to the Grand Old Flag

In 1954, Erwin A. Hoag was the commander of the 16th communications squadron in Japan, supporting the Air Force operation in Korea.

His younger brother, Lenord finagled a leave and transportation to visit him in Shoah, Japan.

"You can imagine my emotion as the boy whose cradle I rocked appeared in army khaki. He was still in grade school when I was drafted into the army of the United States on June 23, 1941. I hadn't seen him until then, dressed in uniform, ready to do battle to our country's enemies," Hoag explained.

The flag, on that day in Shoah, was flying at half mast, a reminder that Hoag's brothers, Lee and Arnold had

been killed in action in Korea.

"That night at the retreat ceremony, Lenord stood beside me at attention while "The Star Spangled Banner" was played and the flag was raised to the top of the mast and gently lowered to the waiting airmen who folded the flag in the traditional manner - 13 triangular folds representing the 13 stripes in the flag in memory of the 13 colonies which fought so valiantly for our freedom and then the Taps were played," Erwin said.

That night at the dinner table one of Hoag's lieutenants gave John Daily's "Toast to the Flag."

What follows is the toast which honors the American flag... a toast Hoag remembers to this day. A toast his



A salute for those who served... A ceremony for the 137th Day of Remembrance was held at the Oakwood Cemetery on Monday.

A salute for those who served

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

The 137th Day of Remembrance (Memorial Day) offers a country time to remember that a large part of who we are is because of who and how we were.

"We must do this (parade and ceremony). We must remember out of respect those who served and those who gave their lives," said former Navy Honor Guard and First United Methodist Church minister, Gordie Barry.

"Those who served and did not return never got a chance to fulfill their dreams and ambitions. The plans they discussed in the chow line, while lying in bunks at night or huddled in a foxhole on some forgotten battlefield never came to fruition. We mourn those lost dreams and unful-

filled promises - lives cut short by wars," said VFW Post 8303 Commander, Gordon Marshall.

Memorial Day is a time to acknowledge the rights and freedoms that were preserved to us, as a result of sacrifice for those who died in the World Wars.

It was also a time to reflect on those who were sacrificed in the Korean and Vietnam wars. "Their sacrifices helped us win the "cold war" against the evil empire known as the Soviet Union," Marshall said.

On Monday, Lowell residents lined the streets from Avery to Monroe and north on Monroe to Oakwood Cemetery in tribute to those who served their country and to those who lost their lives in line of duty.

Suspect Identification Needed

On Saturday, May 19, two purses were stolen from Cousin's Hallmark in Lowell. The suspect(s) gained access to an ATM card in one of the purses. The ATM card was used in Ionia and Grand Rapids. An ATM photo (right) was obtained of a suspect. The identity of this person is not known. If you know the identity or have information relating to this case contact the Lowell Police Department (897-7123) or Silent Observer (774-2345).



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brother Lenord was so impressed with when he heard it for the first time that he requested a copy so he could remember it.

Lenord Hoag passed away on Dec. 9, 2000.

*Here's to the red of it.
There is not a thread of it.
No, nor a shred of it.
In all the spread of it from front to head.*

*But heroes bled for it.
Faced steel and lead for it.
Precious blood shed for it.
Bathing it Red.*

*Here's to the white of it.
Thrilled by the sight of it.
Who knows the right of it.
But feels the might of it through day and night.
Womanhood comes for it.*

*Made man done for it.
Purity's prayer for it keeps it so white.*

*Here's to the blue of it.
Heavenly hue of it.
Beautious view of it.
Star Spangled due of it constant and true.
Dead men gleam for it.
States stand supreme for it.
Liberty beams for it - brightens the blue.*

*Here's to the whole of it.
Stars, stripes and pole for it.
Body and soul of it.
Oh! and the role of it.
Sun shining through.
Hearts in accord for it.
Swear by the sword for it.
Thanking the Lord for it - Red White and Blue.*

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OBITUARIES

INGERSOLL - Frances L. Ingersoll, aged 84, of Lowell, passed away May 24, 2001. She was preceded in death by her husband Loyal Mullen. Mrs. Ingersoll is survived by her husband Austin Ingersoll; sons Raymond Ingersoll and John (Lisa) Ingersoll; grandchildren Jennifer, Michael, Janet and Raymond Ingersoll and Justin and William Hewitt; sister Iris (Robert) Clark; many nieces and nephews. Mass of the Christian Burial was Saturday at St. Mary Church, Rev. George J. Fekete, Celebrant. Interment Oakwood Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary Church or Hospice of Michigan.

VELTHOUSE - Mrs. Margie L. Velthouse, aged 75, of Dutton, went to be with her Lord, Wednesday, May 23, 2001. She was preceded in death by her mother Anna Fleet and her brothers Rich-

ard and Robert Fleet. Surviving are her husband William (Bill); her children Robert and Susan Velthouse of Dutton, William and Valerie Velthouse of Jenison, Thomas and Debrah Polmanteer of Caledonia, Thomas and Maria Velthouse of Alto; 10 grandchildren; her brother Joseph and Wanda Fleet of Newaygo. The funeral service was held Tuesday, May 29 at Stroo Funeral Home, Rev. Mark Bergsma officiating. Interment Rosedale Memorial Park.

COLLEGE NEWS

A total of 4,225 students are included on the dean's list

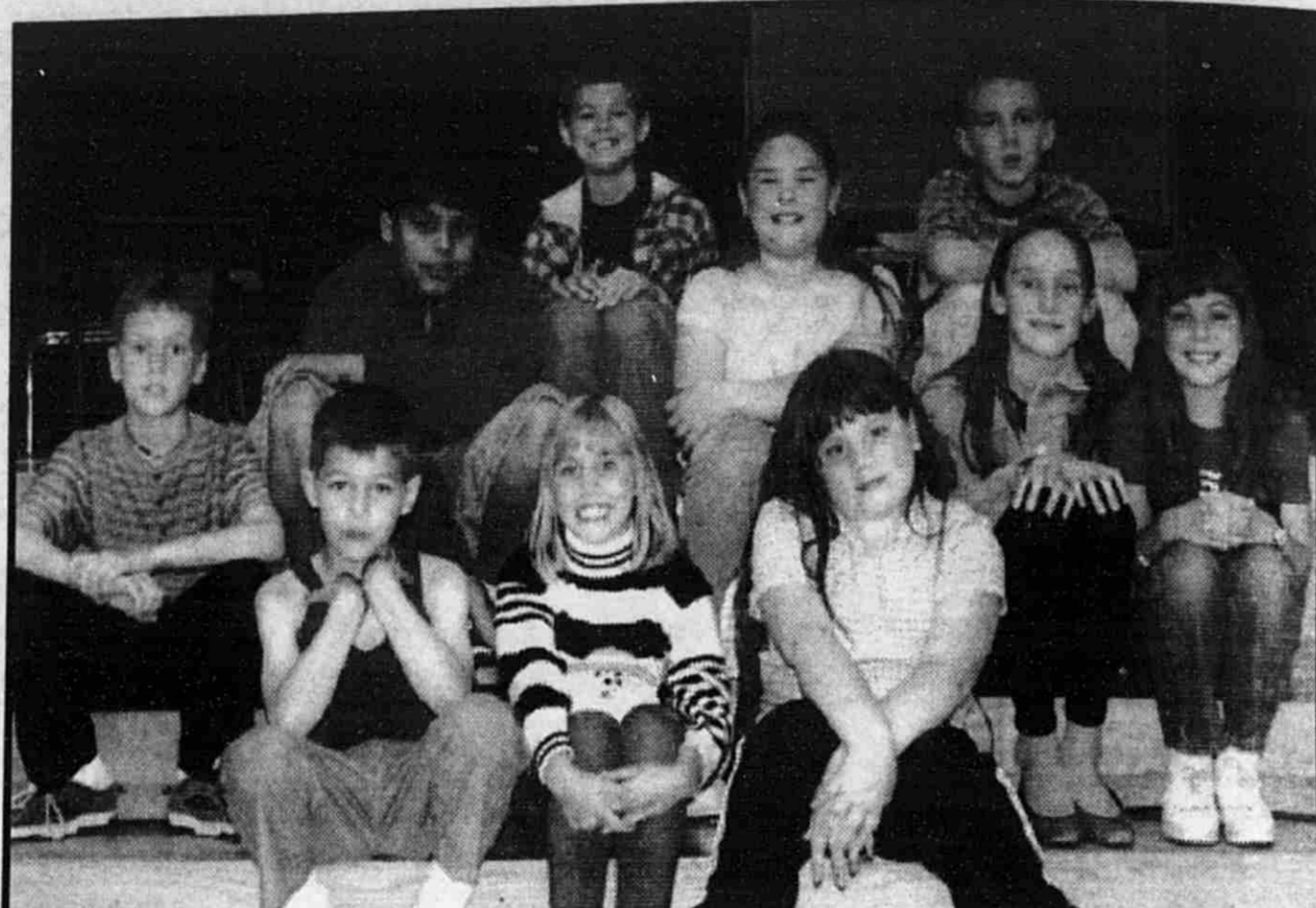
for the winter semester of the 2000-2001 academic year at Western Michigan University.

From the Lowell area are **Brianne Gallert, Brooke Gallert, Cherie A. Gillman, Melinda C. Hadley, Aaron M. Hanson, Emily D. Hovinga, Eric S. Howes, Terresa A. Kenney, Erin N. Koewers, Amber Jo Kuipers, Laura E. LaHaye, Trevor M. Land, Elizabeth H. Rooker, and Amy Lee Stauffer.**

From the Alto area are **Jennifer L. Blauwkamp, Nicole M. Knapp and Sarah J. Meekhof.**

From Ada is **Ryan W. McCormick.**

To be eligible, students must have completed at least a 3.5 grade point average (on a scale of 4.0 being all A's) in at least 12 hours of graded class work.



"School Invaders" opens at Cherry Creek

The Lowell Area Arts Council will present a youth theatre production, "School Invaders" at Cherry Creek Elementary on June 1-3. Sue Stephenson-Bradford of the LAAC Thebes Players will direct the production with youth case members. The performances are free to the public. Performance dates and times are Friday, June 1 at 7 p.m., Saturday, June 2 at 2 and 7 p.m., and Sunday, June 3, at 2 p.m.

Franciscans host Whitecaps fundraiser, June 7

The Franciscan Life Process Center is hosting its third annual Whitecaps Fundraiser Game on Thursday, June 7, featuring the "San Diego Famous Chicken."

Tickets for the game are only \$5.50 each and include your seat in the Pepsi Bleachers, a hot dog and ice cold drink plus a raffle ticket and free round of putt-putt golf at A.J.'s Family Fun Center. The game starts at 7 p.m.

The event lends a helping hand to the programs at the Franciscan Life Process Center. For details and tickets contact Kathleen Rahe at 897-7842.

In 1929 - The Ambassador Bridge, linking Detroit and Windsor, Ontario, is dedicated.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
LAST DATE TO FILE NOMINATING PETITIONS
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Persons interested in seeking election to the Lowell City Council to fill one (1) two-year term vacancy and three (3) two- to four-year term vacancies occurring, must obtain nominating petition forms for circulation and return not later than 4:00 p.m. on June 19, 2001. Petition forms are available between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. from the Lowell City Clerk, Lowell City Hall, 301 East Main Street, Lowell.



LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP NOTICE

PLEASE BE NOTIFIED that the Lowell Township Board approved the Planning Commission's recommendation and rezoned John O'Neill's property located at 11799 Fulton Street, Permanent Parcel No. 41-20-04-401-024, from R-1, Rural Low Density Residential, to General Commercial. This rezoning will become effective thirty days from date of publication of this notice.

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LOWELL YMCA SUMMER 2001 SPORTS PROGRAMS

YMCA SPORTS PHILOSOPHY

YMCA youth sports focus on the individual development of fundamentals and teamwork, rather than "winning at all cost."
"The main emphasis of YMCA youth sports is on having fun, involving the family, incorporating Character Development and increasing a positive self-image."
The Lowell YMCA with the help of other individuals will be offering a variety of sports programs for boys and girls starting at 3 years old and going through the 8th grade.
Space is limited in all programs, so sign up now!

Soccer Camps

JULY 9-13

(4-5 years and kindergarten)
Registration deadline July 6 • \$5 late fee
Monday/Wednesday/Friday
Meet new friends, work at being part of a group and following directions and most of all have some fun.
9:30 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.
Facility Members \$16 • Members \$19 • Non-members \$27

1st & 2nd graders • Monday - Friday

Registration deadline: July 6 • \$5 late fee
This camp will focus on the fundamentals of soccer. Each day will include work on sharpening skills through practice as well as scrimmage play
10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.
Facility Members \$23 • Members \$26 • Non-members \$37

3rd & 4th graders • Monday - Friday

Registration deadline: July 6 • \$5 late fee
This camp will focus on the fundamentals of team soccer, spreading out, containing on defines and ball control. We will be working to sharpen the players' skills through practice as well as scrimmage play.
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Facility Members \$25 • Members \$28 • Non-members \$39

Gymnastics

SESSION I • JUNE 25-29

SESSION II • JULY 16-20

Registration deadline one week prior to start of camp.

Location: Runciman School Gymnasium

Beginner (5 yrs+): 2:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Intermediate (Do cartwheel): 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Advanced #1 (Do aerial cartwheel/back handspring/back walkover): 10:00 - 12:00 noon

Advanced #2: 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Facility members \$40

Program members: \$50 • Non-members: \$60

ROLLER HOCKEY CAMPS

K-2ND GRADE CAMP & 3RD-5TH GRADE CAMP

Aug. 6-10 (Mon - Fri) Registration Deadline: Aug. 2

Come be a part of the fastest growing sport in the United States.

Learn the basic

fundamentals of the sport and have fun.

Grades K-2: 10:00 - 11:15 a.m.

Grades 3-5: 11:30 - 12:45 p.m.

Facility Members \$30 • Members \$33 • Non-members \$47

Where: Cherry Creek

Elementary School parking lot

Instructors: Members of the Lowell High School Hockey Team

T-BALL PROGRAM

(3-6 year olds) Tues. & Thurs. 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

June 26-July 26

Registration deadline: June 21 • \$5 Late fee

This program will teach the basic

fundamentals of hitting, fielding, throwing

and running the bases. We will work on group

skills and following directions as

well as having a lot of fun!

All games/practices will be held at Birch Field.

Facility Members \$2 • Members \$24 • Non-Members \$38

Basketball Camps

Preschool Camp (3 & 4 yr. olds) JUNE 25-29

Registration deadline: June 22 • \$5 Late fee.

Monday/Wednesday/Friday

This camp will focus on coordination skills,

having fun and learning some of

the basics of basketball.

9:00 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Facility Members \$18 • Members \$21 • Non-members \$29

Where: Lowell Middle School • Instructor: Jonathan Smith

KINDERGARTEN CAMP

5 yr. olds & kindergarten

June 25-29 • Registration deadline: June 22

Monday/Wednesday/Friday

This camp will focus on having fun

and learning the basic

fundamentals of basketball.

9:00 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Facility Members \$18 • Members \$21 • Non-members \$29

Where: Lowell Middle School • Instructor: Jonathan Smith

1ST & 2ND GRADE CAMP

June 25-29 • Registration deadline June 22

Monday-Friday

This camp will focus on the fundamentals of

basketball. Each day will include work on

sharpening skills through practice as well as

scrimmage play.

10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Facility Members \$30 • Members \$33 • Non-members \$47

Where: Lowell Middle School • Instructor: Jonathan Smith

3RD & 4TH GRADE CAMP

June 25-29 • Registration deadline: June 22

Monday-Friday

This camp will focus on teamwork and

ball management for kids just starting

to really enjoy basketball. We will be

working hard this whole week!

11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Facility Members \$32 • Members \$35 • Non-members \$49

Where: Lowell Middle School • Instructor: Jonathan Smith

5TH & 6TH GRADE CAMP

June 25-29 • Registration deadline: June 22

Monday-Friday

This camp will focus on teamwork and

ball movement. We will also be working

on players shots, ball handling, one-on-one

defense, team defense, team offense and more.

We will be working hard this whole week.

12:45 - 2:00 p.m.

Facility Members \$32 • Members \$35 • Non-members \$49

Where: Lowell Middle School • Instructor: Jonathan Smith

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a church of your own or are looking for an additional worship experience, you are invited to attend this uplifting worship and song.

CALLING ALL ARTISTS - CELEBRATE LOWELL EXHIBIT

The Lowell Area Arts Council is opening its doors to artists in the Lowell community. This exhibit (June 3-July 14) is intended to celebrate the artworks of local artists (age 18+). Only one artwork may be submitted per artist.

An opening reception is scheduled for Sunday, June 3 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Contact the LAAC at 897-8545 for a submission form and guidelines or e-mail lowellarts council@ameritech.net.

PENTECOST WORSHIP SERVICE
The Lowell First United Methodist Church will be celebrating Pentecost in the Performing Arts Center at Lowell High School on Sunday, June 3 at 10 a.m. If you do not have

ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB MEETING

The Lowell Athletic Boosters will hold their regular

business meeting at the high school staff lounge on Monday, June 4 at 7 p.m.

NEW GALLERY WITH LOCAL ARTIST

The watercolors of Lowell artist Mary Bommarito will be on view in the Lowell Chamber of Commerce's new Riverwalk Gallery. A reception for her will be held on Thursday, June 7 from 5 - 6:30 p.m. The public is welcome.

LOOKING FOR CLASS OF 1956 GRADUATES

The Lowell High School Class of 1956 reunion committee is trying to locate the following persons: Ardith Green, Judy Moore, Carol Sawyer and Linda Tutt. If you have any information, please call Lil (676-2385) or Kay (281-3746).

If sales are right - football coach will duck walk for Riverwalk Festival

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

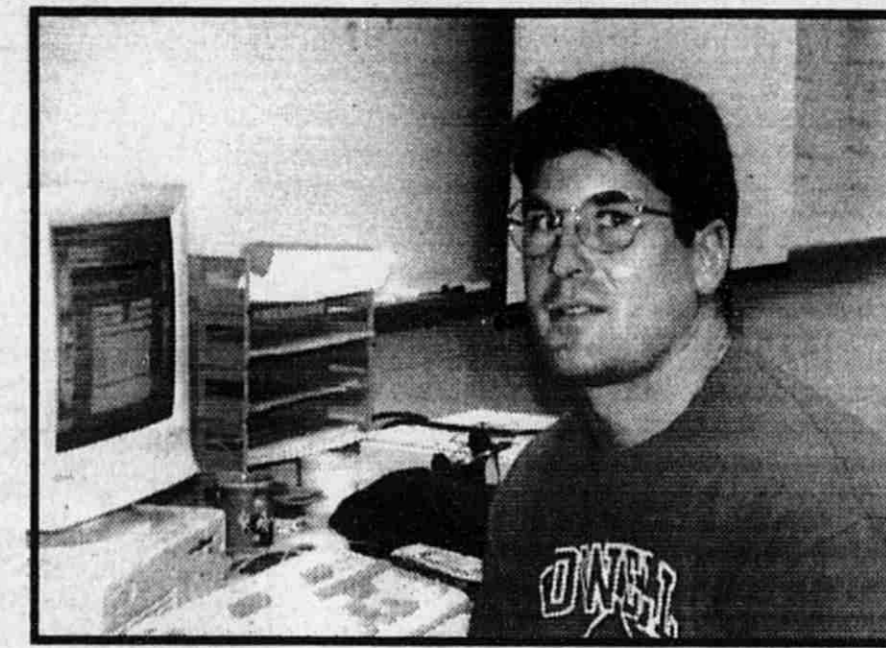
Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce has found a new duck for its Riverwalk Festival Labor Day weekend - that is if the price isn't too high.

If the Chamber can sell \$10,000 worth of ducks for its annual duck race, Lowell football coach, Noel Dean has agreed to attire himself in the Chamber duck suit during the Riverwalk Festival parade.

"We thought that idea was just 'ducky,'" said Chamber member, Charlene Chapman.

Ducks will be sold for \$5. A monetary prize will be given out for first-, second- and third-places. The owner of the winning duck will receive \$1,000. The second-place duck, \$300; and the third-place duck, \$200.

Another new twist being added for this year's festival is



Lowell football coach, Noel Dean has agreed to dress up in the Chamber of Commerce duck suit if \$10,000 worth of ducks are sold for the Riverwalk Festival race.

business sponsorships. Duck billboards (4' X 3 1/2') with the name of a sponsor on the front and back will be posted and displayed along M-21 from Keiser's Kitchen to Ionia County National Bank.

The duck race will be moved from the Flat River to the Grand. Race time will be 5:30 p.m. with members of the Lowell football team serving as race officials.

The Riverwalk Festival parade starts at 11 a.m. on Sept. 3. The Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce is responsible for a number of local activities throughout the year. They include: The Lowell Expo, Person of the Year, Lowell's Summer Concert Series (in coordination with the Lowell Area Arts Council), July 4 parade and fireworks, Christmas festivities (parade, tree decoration, pictures with Santa) as well as Lowell Leadership, Ambassadors program and management of the Showboat.

Lowell Jaycees host ice cream social Thursday, June 7

Spring is in the air and the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce has been planted in Lowell. The Michigan Jaycees proudly chartered the Lowell Jaycees on March 19.

The United States Junior

Chamber of Commerce (USJCC) was founded in the 1920s in St. Louis to help young businessmen develop leadership skills. Jaycees have impacted their community and our nation through-

out history, leading the drive

for airmail in the late 1920s and heading a national campaign to make communities safer with street lights in 1939.

The USJCC developed into an international organization (JCI) in the 1940s and continues to be a force, rais-

ing funds for MDA, March of Dimes and many other local charities.

The same basic principle of leadership training through community service still applies today for every Jaycee chapter in the world. By managing projects that will benefit our community, Jaycee members learn valuable or-

ganizational and leadership skills to improve their personal and professional lives.

Jaycees is the world's largest organization for young people between the ages of 21 and 39. Jaycee members around the globe improve their leadership skills while serving their community. To find out more about this

unique organization and to share your experience with the Lowell Jaycees, bring your family to an ice-cream social on Thursday, June 7 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the new Main Street Restaurant next to Erb Lumber. Join us for a root beer float and find out how you can change your world.

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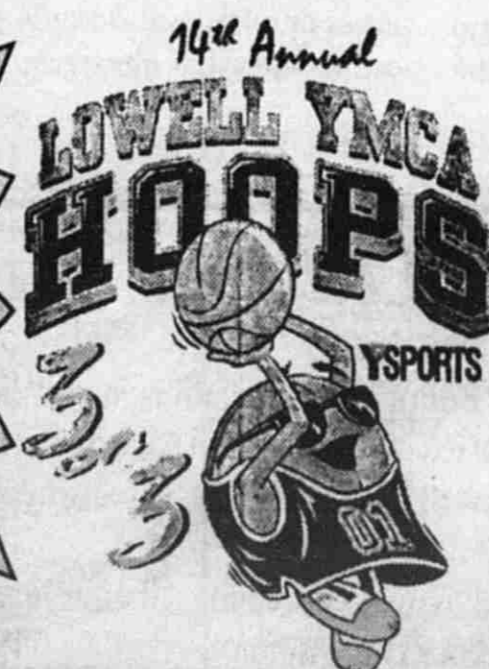
at Cherry Creek Elementary • 12675 Foreman Rd.

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New agreement with Lowell Light & Power has city treasurer reworking city budget

By J.N. Boorsma Contributing Writer

A new agreement between the city of Lowell and Lowell Light and Power has left the city treasurer with a little more work to do on the budget.

At its regular meeting last week, city council chairperson, Dan Brubaker and Lowell Light and Power board member, Dave Austin announced a new agreement to help both the city and power company better account for services for each other.

According to the current city charter, the city does not charge Lowell Light and Power taxes and, in return, receives its electrical services for free. However, Brubaker said for accountability purposes, the two organizations needed to come up with a better system.

Under the old system, the city was simply credited for what it used, which made planning for future use difficult and also made it difficult for Lowell Light and Power to bond for improvements. This policy was not in line with what other power companies and municipalities do.

The suggestion, which was approved at the meeting, was for Lowell Light and Power to start charging for all electrical services, including use, maintenance and construction of electrical facilities used by the city such as street lighting. Lowell Light and Power would be invoiced for water and

wastewater use. The city also would receive about 4.5 percent of the company's gross income.

"The city's expenses should come out below that 4.5 percent," Brubaker said, adding that in the end, neither side would owe the other anything. The outcome would be a better accounting system for services rendered.

For that system to take place, it means city treasurer, Sue Olin will need to make some adjustments in her budget.

"It now means I will need to add a line for expenditures of street light repair where there wasn't any," she said during a phone interview last week.

There also will be additional expenditures for all night lighting. Currently the city is not being "charged" for all night-time lighting. Each department has a line item for its individual electrical use.

"Basically, from what I understand, it shouldn't have too much of an impact on the budget," Olin said. "It should even out. What we received in revenue should cover the costs of streetlight repair."

The only real impact will be adjusting the budget so it reflects the agreement.

Stagger, cont'd... From Page 1

In late 1972, Stagger formed a musical partnership with the legendary guitarist and song-writer, Frank Salamone. During this time period, Stagger first met the string-band blues master, Carl Martin.

After returning to his original love of the electric guitar and

honoring his chops in local bar bands, the blues musician established the Jimmy Stagger Band in 1980.

Larkin's Other Place will be the rain location if inclement weather prevails. Check the Chamber of Commerce's answering machine at 897-9161 for location updates.

GROWING IN APPRECIATION



The annual planting of maple trees in recognition of Teacher Appreciation Week continued on Friday, May 18. Lowell superintendent, Bert Bleke and Lowell School Board members planted trees at Lowell High School, Unity High School, Bushnell Elementary and the Wittenbach Center. Pictured to the left, Bleke and board of education members, Kate Dernocoeur, Mark Blanding and Mark Lessens speak to Alto Elementary students about the important role teachers play in their lives.

High gas rates prompt AAA to issue gas-saving guidelines

To help ease the "pain at the pumps," AAA Michigan re-released a set of fuel-conservation instructions for motorists seeking to save fuel.

AAA's energy conservation guidelines, contained in the booklet "AAA Gas Watcher's Guide" are available from AAA Michigan and in abbreviated form online at www.aaamich.com. AAA recognizes the steep increase in gasoline prices has created a hardship on millions of American motorists. AAA previously issued fuel conservation guidelines

during World War II, the two oil embargoes of the 1970s and the Persian Gulf War in 1990. The Gas Watcher's Guide will be helpful to all motorists.

The guide is a 12-page brochure that covers a variety of ways motorists can save fuel and money, while driving safely and protecting the environment.

The advice contained in the Gas Watcher's Guide encourages motorists to systematically rethink their approach to day-to-day driving. Some of the key tips contained in the guide are:

Change driving attitudes. Make fuel conservation top-of-mind when choosing which vehicle to drive, the distance of the destination, and what trips and errands to run.

Consider driving style consequences. Save fuel by slowing down, maintaining steady speeds and avoiding rapid acceleration and sudden stops. Leave plenty of time to reach destinations and don't let the engine idle.

Don't be fushish. Shop for the lowest gas prices locally, but don't drive excessive miles hoping to save a

few cents per gallon.

Practice good vehicle maintenance by making certain tires are properly inflated, the air filter is clean, the engine and chassis are properly lubricated and spark plugs are in good condition.

Check your vehicle

owner's manual to make certain the grade of gasoline being purchased is the correct one. Most vehicles are designed to operate on lower cost regular gasoline.

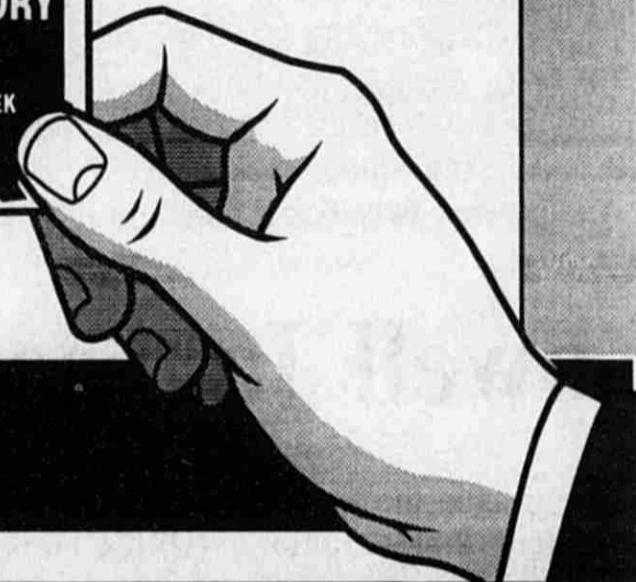
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Lowell sixth graders, pictured left to right, Ciji Eickhoff, Cara Wilcox, Shay Hacker and Laurinda Horsley plant annuals at the Wittenbach Center community garden. Along with planting annuals and herbs, students also hoed weeds out of garden beds. The community garden was realized through the organizational efforts of Raquel Clark and center director, Tammy DeBaar. The Lowell Area Community Fund allocated \$14,000 to the community gardens for construction of garden beds, fencing, sidewalk and water access.



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17th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

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LETICIA TORRES
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A copy of this order shall be published once each week in Lowell Ledger for three consecutive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court.

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April 6, 2001

Judge Donald A.
Johnston

Helmets a focal point of bike safety month

Did you know that 98 percent of bicyclists killed in 1999 reportedly were not wearing bicycle helmets? With May being National Bicycle Month, the Safety Council for West Michigan thought a timely reminder about bicycle safety was in order.

Many states have laws

requiring helmet usage for children under a certain age. Although Michigan does not currently have a law requiring the use of bicycle helmets, studies show an 85 percent reduction of head injury when they are worn.

Along with wearing a bicycle helmet, there are many

safe cycling tips one should be aware of:

- A check for proper operation should be done on a regular basis.
- Make sure the bicycle fits the rider. When the bicycle pedal is in the downward position, the knee should be slightly bent.
- Wear tight fitting clothing that is bright in color.
- Books and other loose items should be strapped in a carrier or in a backpack.
- Bikers must ride with the traffic and obey the same

traffic laws as vehicles.

- Know and use proper hand signals.
- Watch for turning vehicles and vehicles pulling in or out of driveways.
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- Use a headlight and reflective equipment when riding at night.

The Safety Council for West Michigan reminds all bicyclists to wear a bicycle helmet and to cycle with safety.

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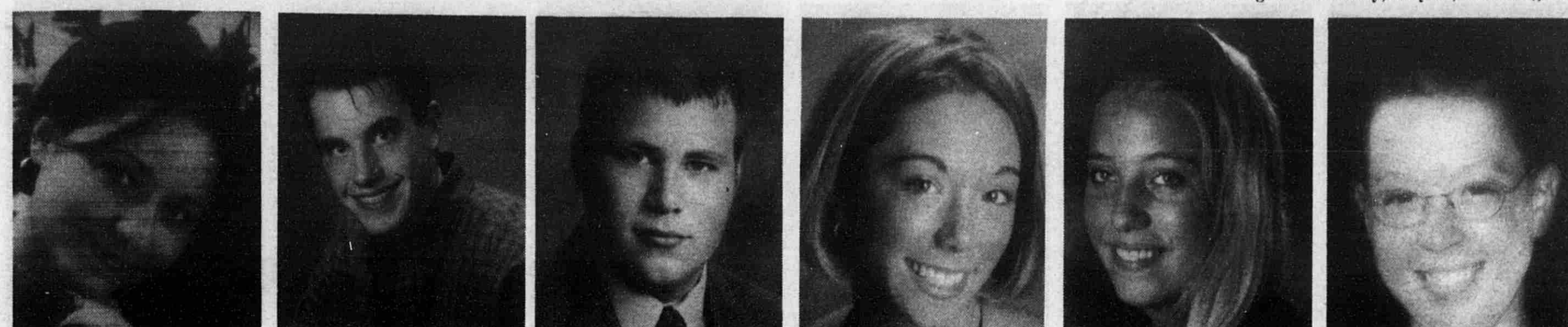
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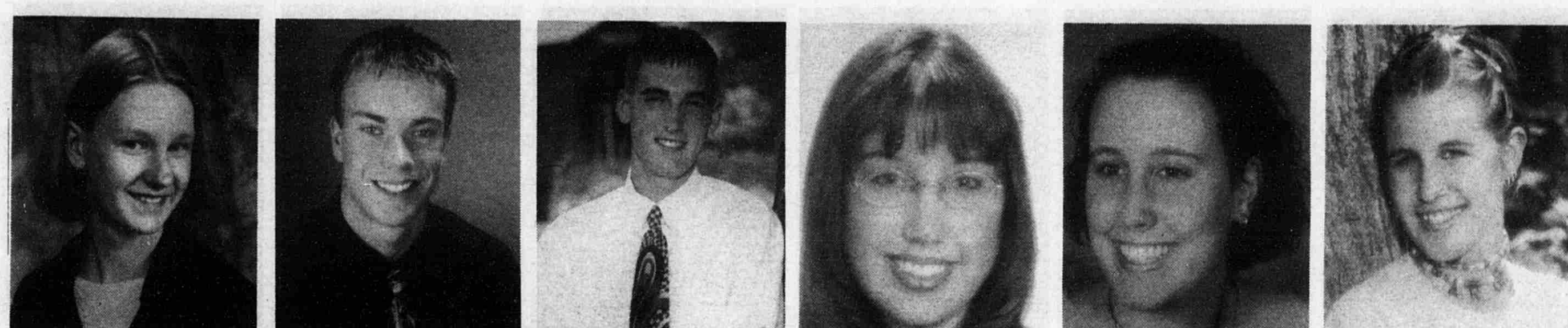
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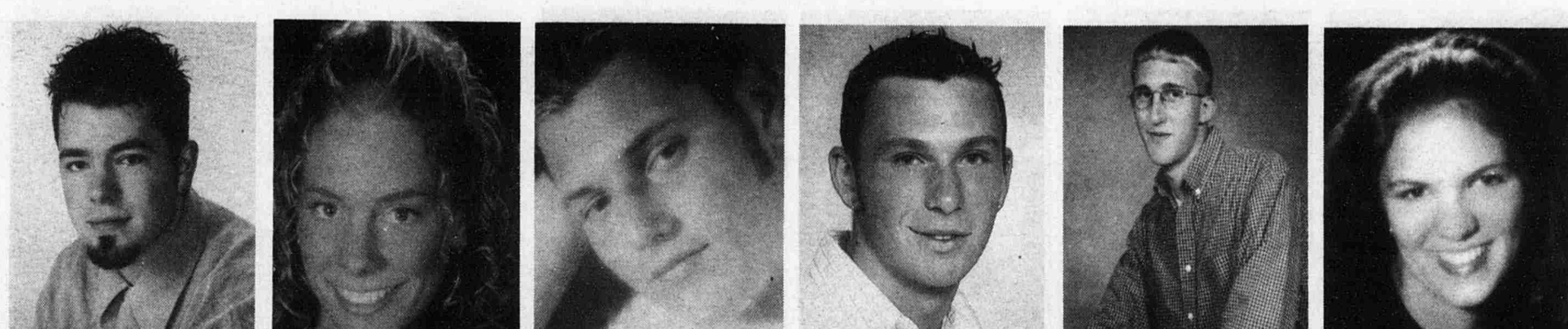
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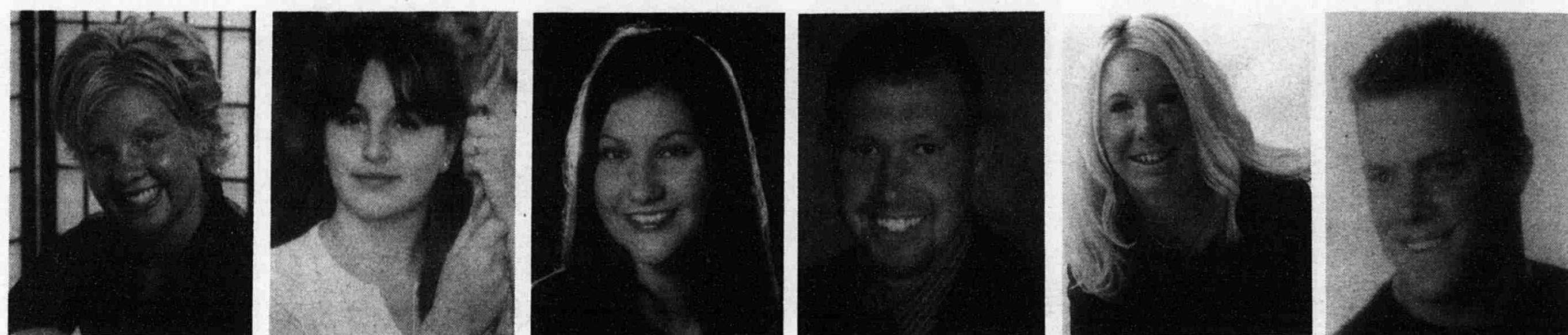
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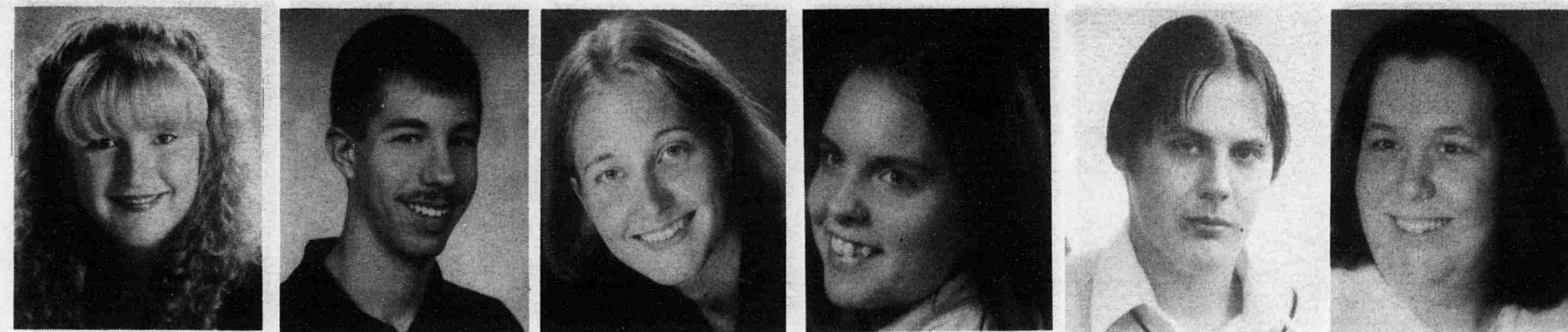
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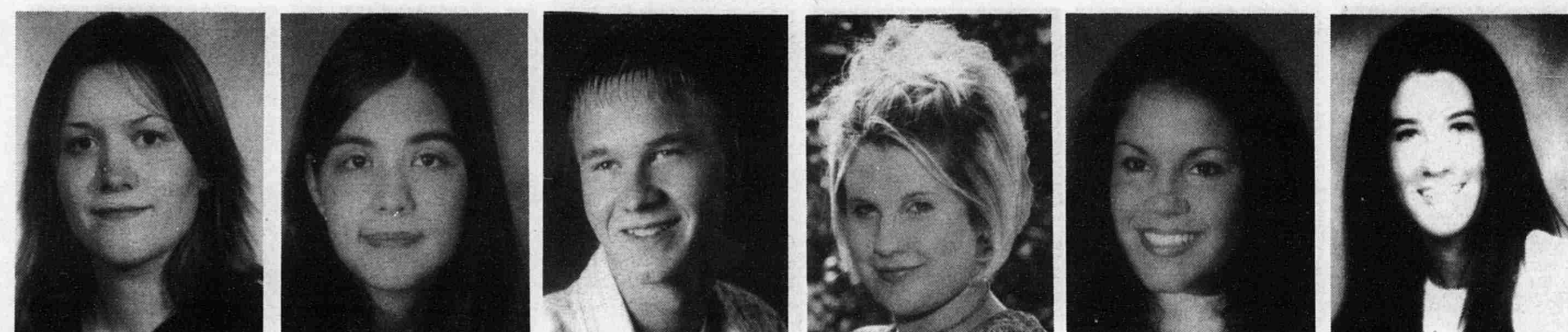
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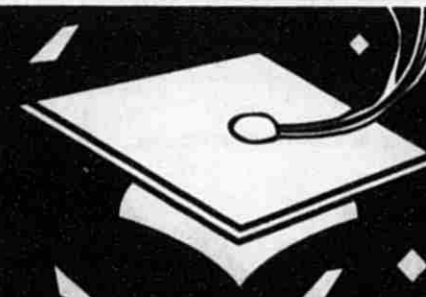
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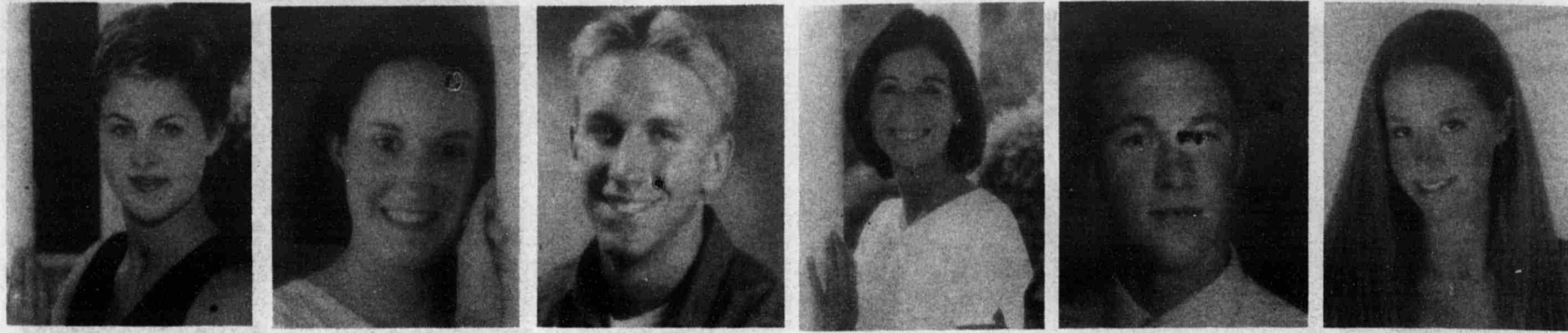
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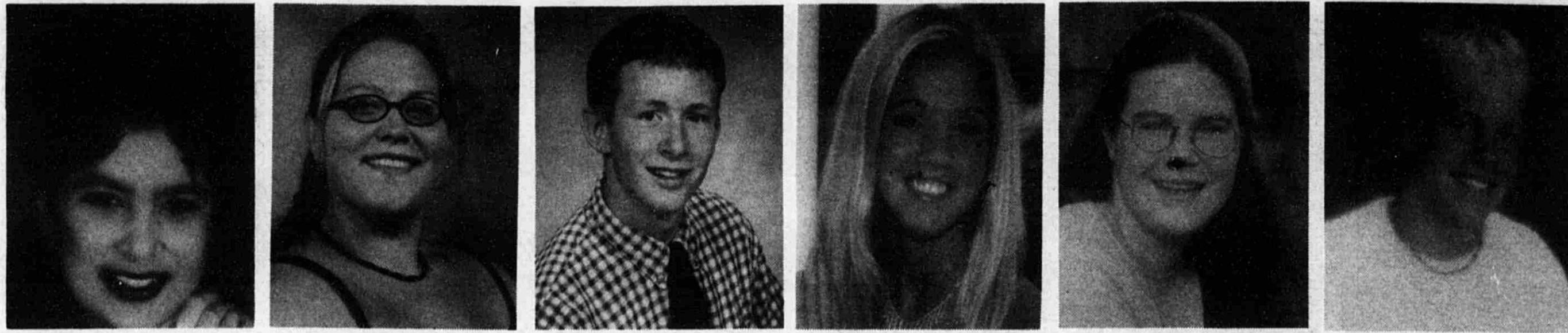
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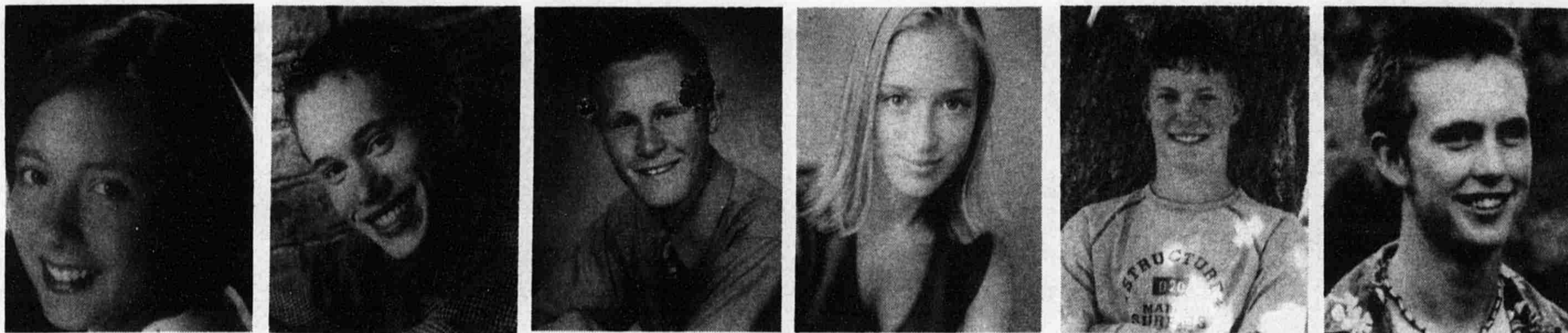
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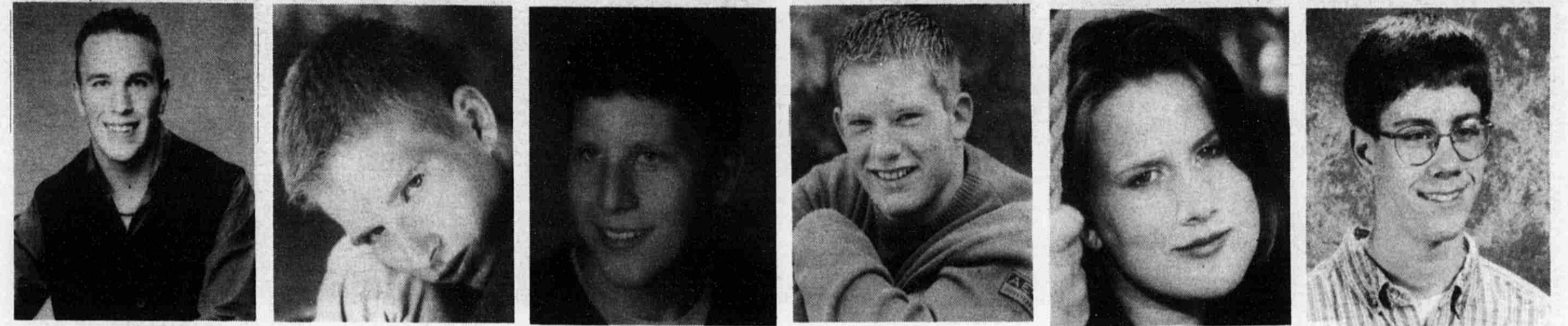
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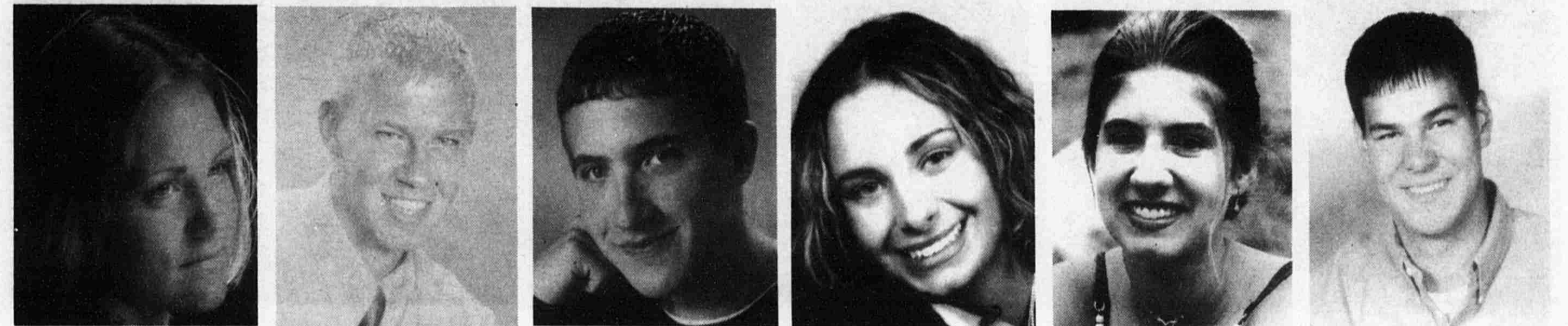
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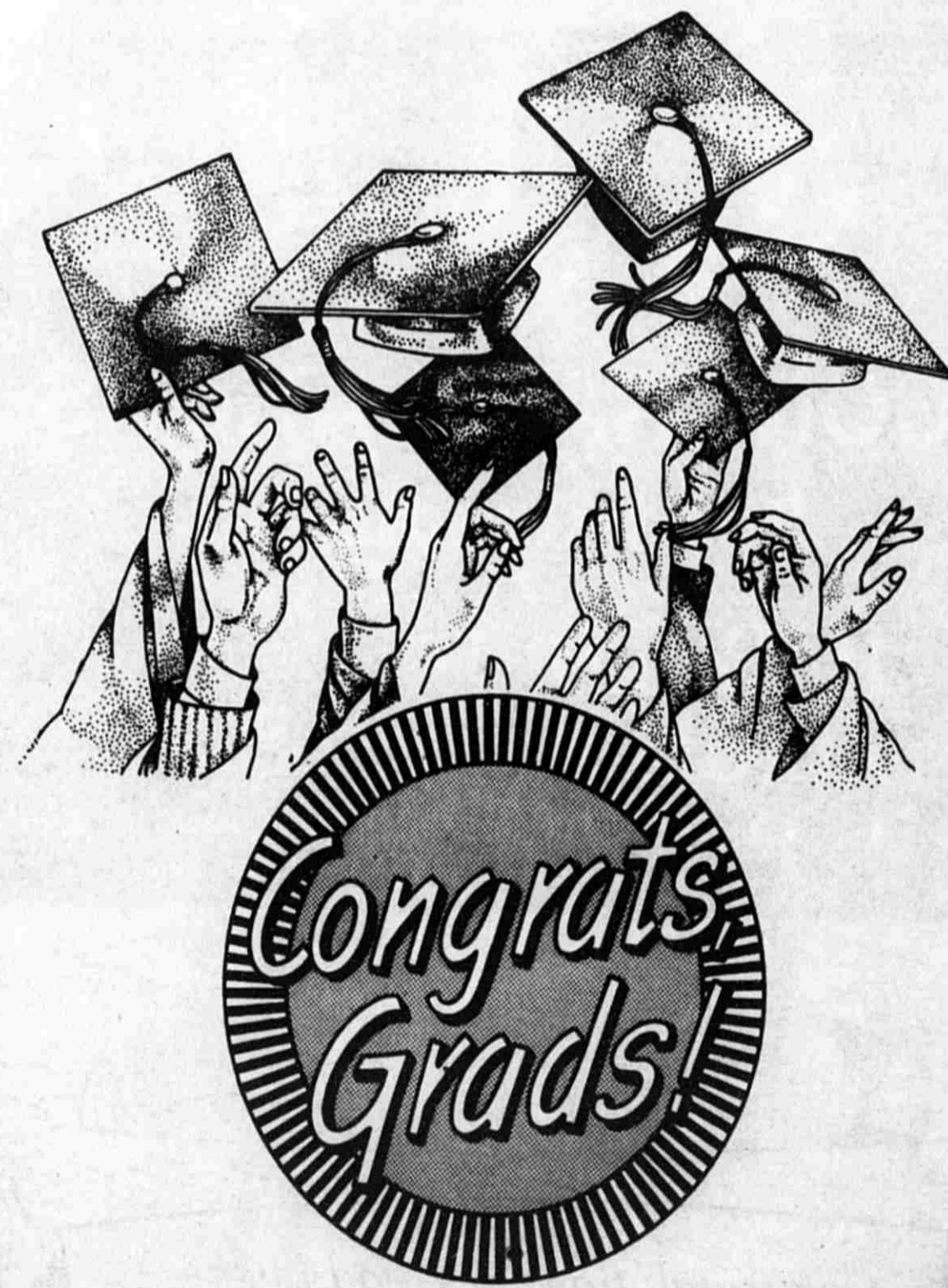
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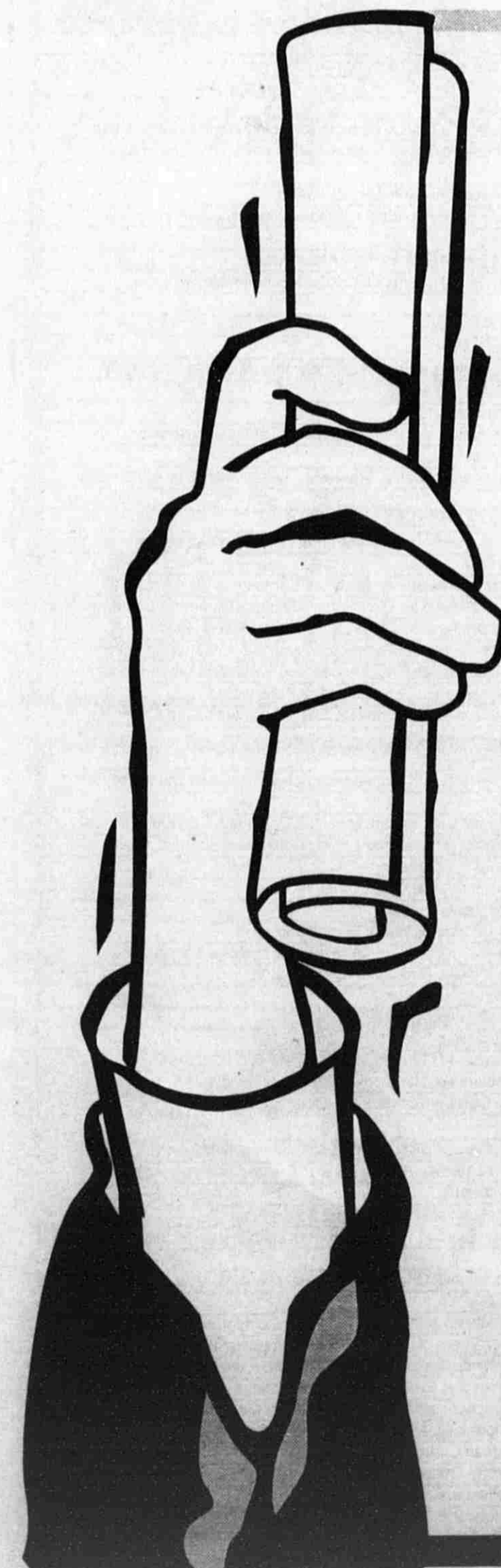
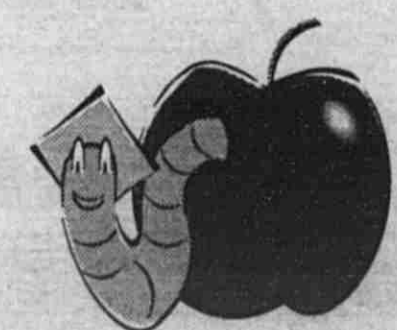
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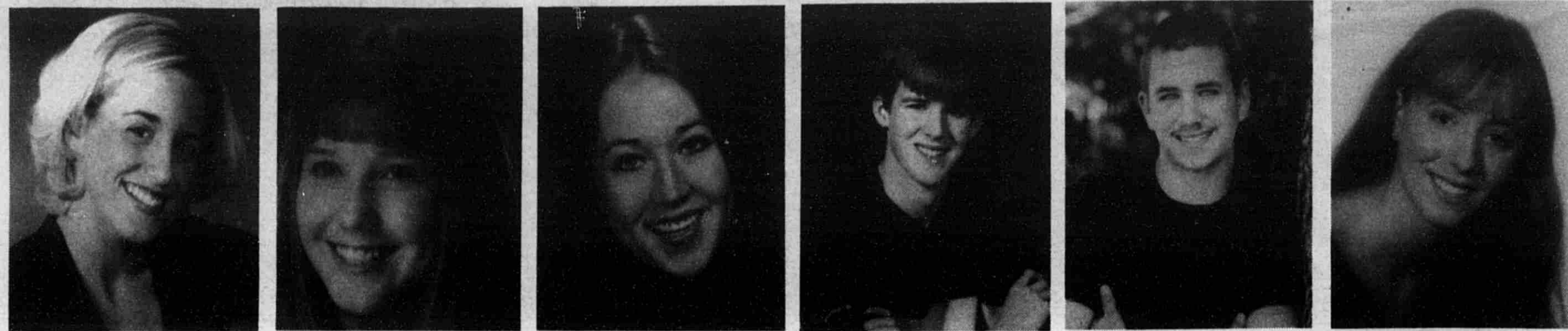
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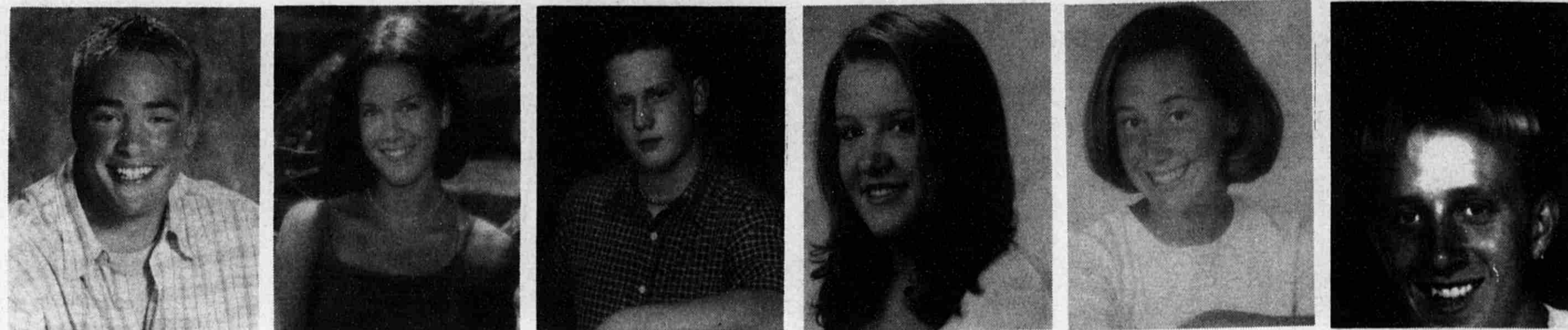




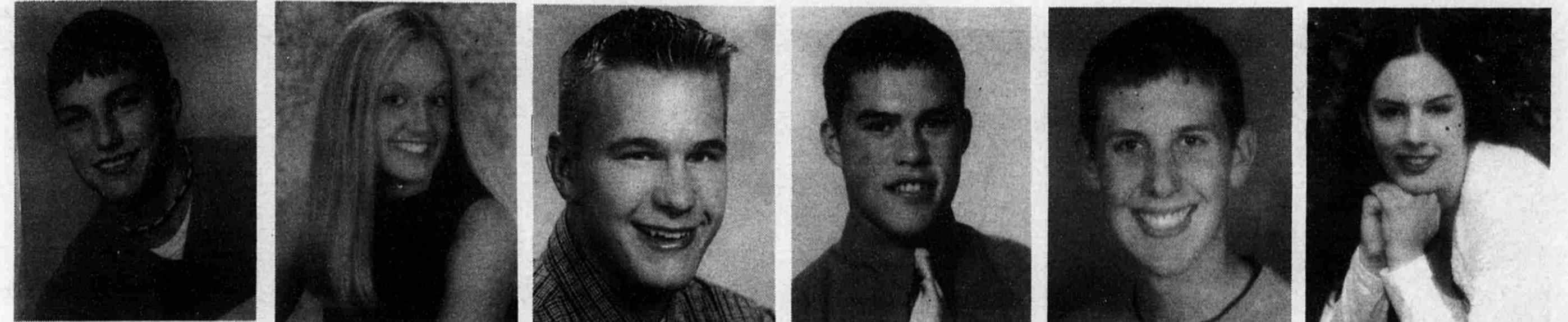
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Alan Earl Stever	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, OK Conference Scholar Athlete Award, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship
Amanda Joy Stoutjesdyk	LHS Outstanding Female Athlete of the Year, Michigan Competitive Scholarship
Nichole Michele Straub	Central Michigan University Board of Trustees Honors Scholarship, Grand Valley State University Award for Excellence, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, OK Conference Scholar Athlete Award, Peter and Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship
Sandra Sturis	Stephen F. Idema Memorial Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship
Suzanne Marie Swift	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Adrian College Music Scholarship, Adrian College Academic Scholarship, Adrian College Art Scholarship
Nicole Rachel Tegg	Grand Valley State University Trotter Tri-County Scholarship, Grand Valley State University Award for Excellence, Ferris State University Dean's Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, OK Conference Scholar Athlete Award, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Wynjtes Medical Scholarship

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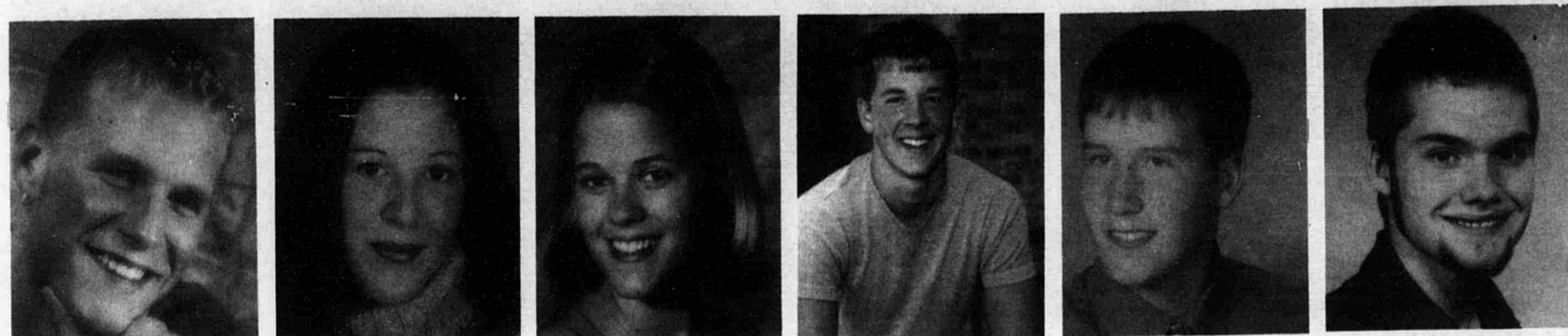
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Kurt James Telman	Grand Rapids Community College Francis McCarthy Award
Matthew Alan Trierweiler	Principal's Leadership Award, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, OK Conference Scholar Athlete Award, First Congregational Church Scholarship, The Margaret Court Memorial Scholarship, Lowell Education Association General Scholarship
Rebecca Marie Trierweiler	Michigan Technological University Board of Control Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, OK Conference Scholar Athlete Award, Peter and Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship, First Congregational Church Scholarship
Ruth Anne VanderHart	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Scholarship, The David Dombak Memorial Visual Art Scholarship
Benjamin Will VanderVeen	Northern Michigan University Recognition Award, Michigan Competitive Scholarship
Beth Ann VanEnst	Grand Rapids Community College Community Leader Award
Phillip Peter VanLaan	LHS Outstanding Male Athlete of the Year, Hope College Endowed Scholarship, US Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Award, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, OK Conference Scholar Athlete Award, Peter and Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship, The Gary Rivers Scholarship
Michael James Wierenga	Grand Rapids Community College Distinguished Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, OK Conference Scholar Athlete Award
Matthew Rick Wilcox	Michigan Competitive Scholarship
Skyler John Willert	Michigan Competitive Scholarship
Jennifer Leigh Williams	Central Michigan University Board of Trustees Honors Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, OK Conference Scholar Athlete Award, Peter and Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship
Amber Dawn Young	Central Michigan University Board of Trustees Honors Scholarship
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Jana Marie Young	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, OK Conference Scholar Athlete Award, Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Earl Posthumus Memorial Scholarship



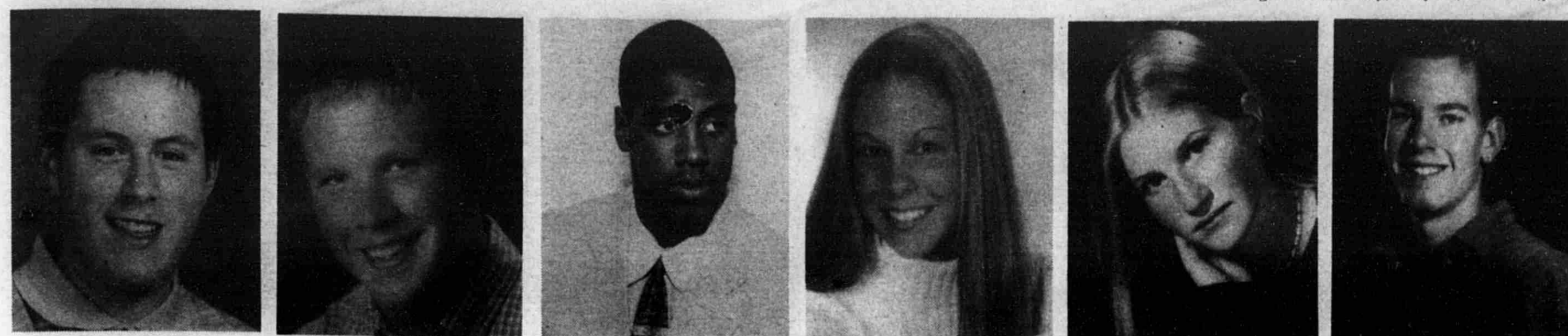
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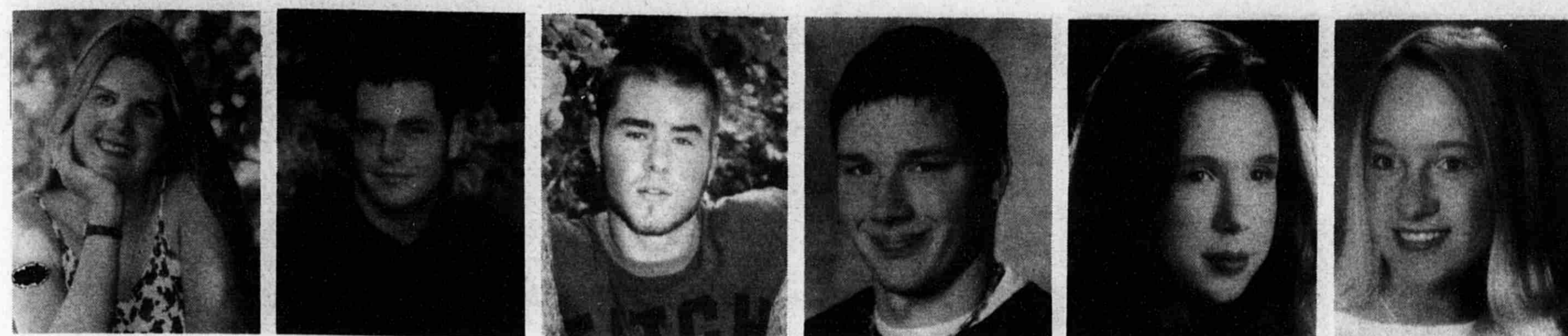
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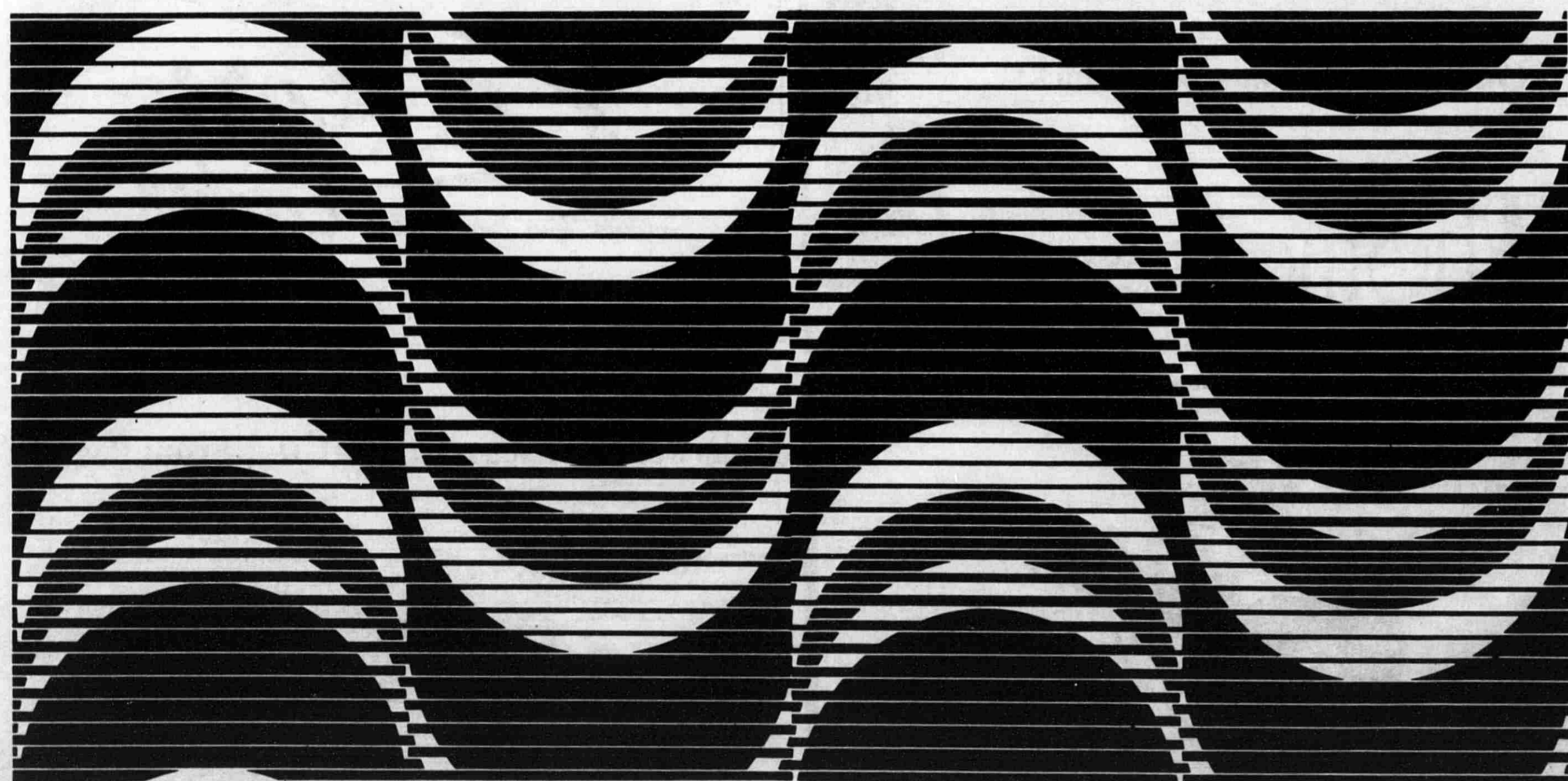
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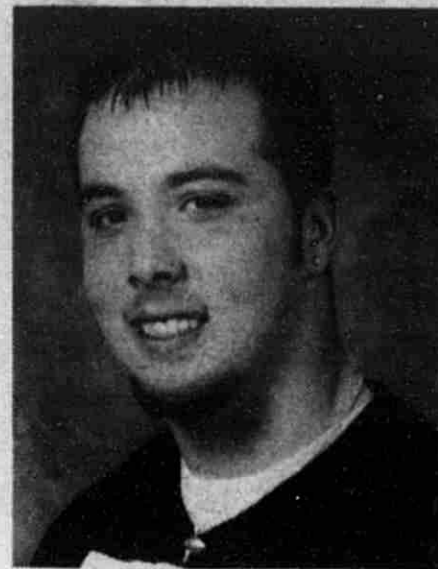
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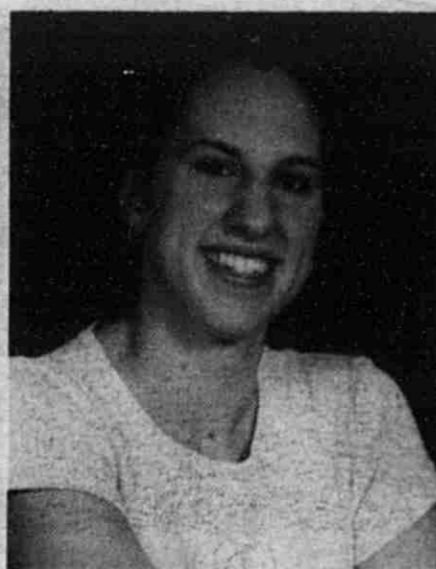
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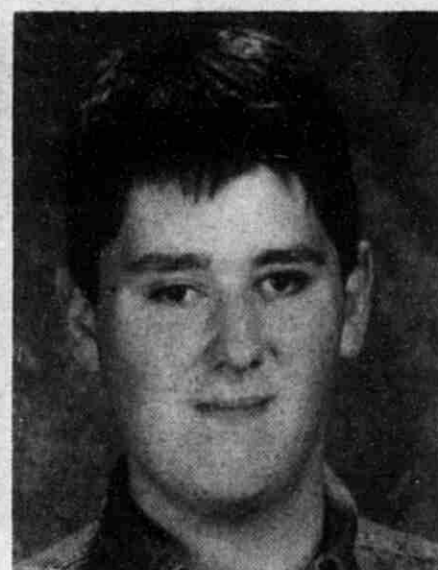
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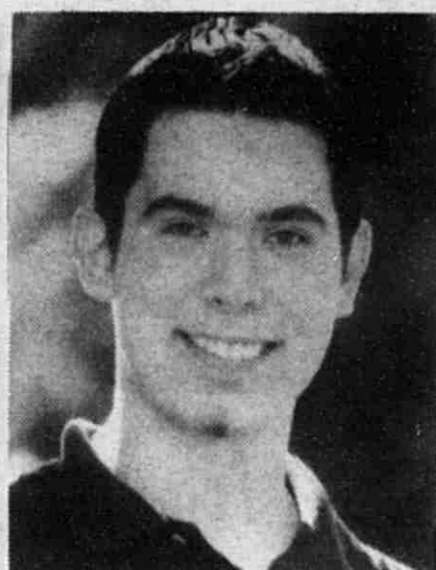
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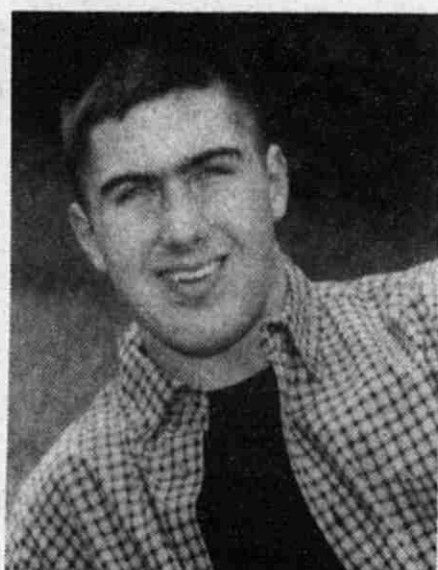
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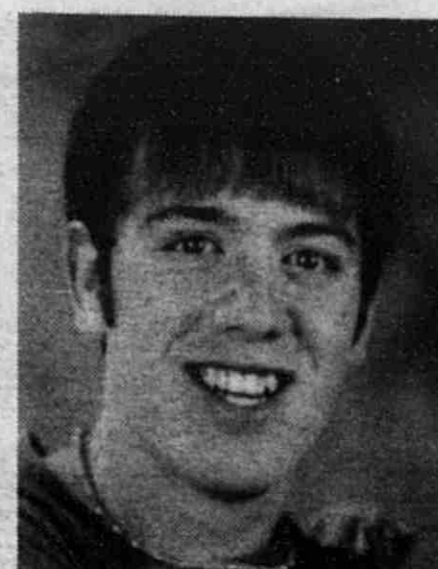
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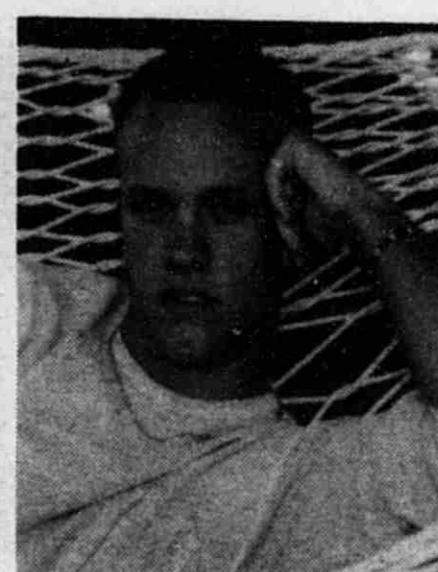
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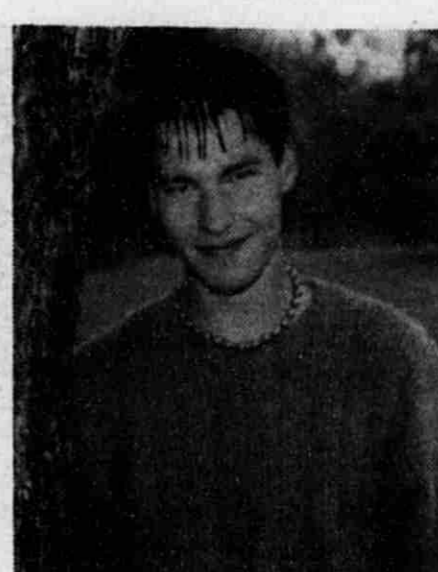
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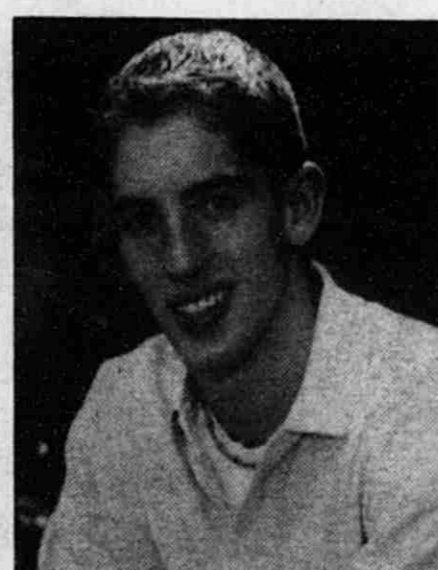
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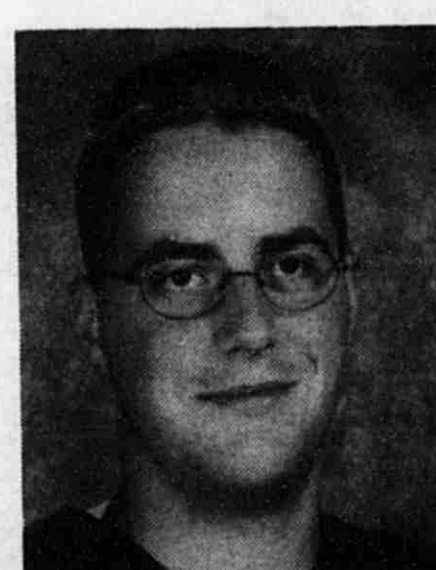
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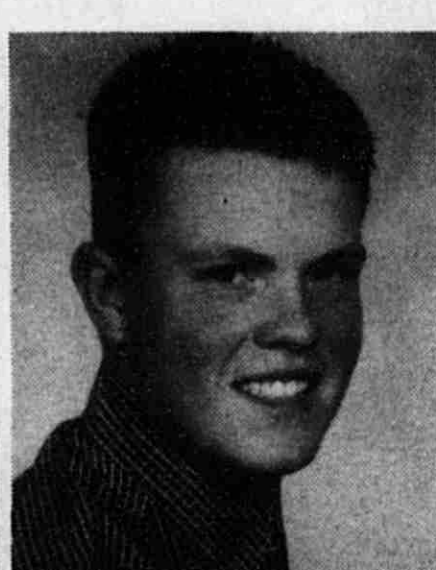
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Drougal and Gustafson lead Top 10 of GPA's above 4.0

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

The 123rd Lowell High School Commencement Exercises will be an important bookmark in the lives of the 238 graduates from the class of 2001.

The graduation ceremony will commence with seniors marching into Red Arrow Stadium at 3 p.m. on Sunday, June 3.

Addressing their fellow graduates will be valedictorian Kimberly Renee Drougal and salutatorian Mike Gustafson. The top 10 students from the 2001 class have the distinction of being the first to all have GPA's higher than 4.0.

timony to hard work.

"I worked my hardest for the past four years, therefore, I wouldn't change a thing if I were to start high school again," Drougal explained.

The senior finished four years of high school with a 4.19 grade point average. She is the daughter of Ed and Sandy Drougal.

The 18-year-old will enroll at the University of Michigan in the fall where she will study architecture.

During her four years at LHS Drougal was involved in girls' golf, marching band, Project Pals, junior Rotarian, FFA, SADD, National Honor Society and the Art and Drama Club.

Awards and scholarships earned by Drougal are: the University of Michigan Regents Merit Scholarship, student of the month, and the MEAP scholarship.

"I enjoyed no longer having to worry about grades, and counting the days until high school is over," Drougal said when asked what she enjoyed most about high school.

Mike Gustafson is the Lowell High School Class of 2001 salutatorian.

The 17-year-old son of Pete and Ginny Gustafson will graduate with a 4.167 grade point average.

Gustafson is undecided about what college or university he will attend in the fall.



years of high school, she maintained a 4.138 grade point average.

In the fall, Den Houter will attend either the University of Michigan or Northwestern University where she will study either psychology or journalism.

Awards and scholarships

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garnered by Den Houter during her four years in high school are: scholar athlete (tennis), AP scholar, National Merit Scholarship commended student, University of Michigan Regents Scholarship, Illinois Wesleyan University alumni scholarship and the Michigan Competitive Scholarship.

Outside of the classroom, Den Houter participated in tennis, Project Pals, debate, Women's Club, Civic Education Project and Central Christian Church.

Jessica Vander Kooi Den Houter, in looking back on her four years in high school, appreciates the opportunities it presented.

Den Houter is the daughter of Leonard and Kathryn Den Houter. During her four

James Addison Bosserd II graduates from Lowell High School with a 4.104 GPA. If he had it to do all over again, the graduate says he'd play even harder.

"I don't think you can ever have too much fun," Bosserd explains.

No one can argue with the success the 18-year-old enjoyed in high school.

He will build on that in the fall at Michigan State University where he will study bio systems engineering. "My goal is to own my own business dealing with diversified products," Bosserd said.

Awards and scholarships earned by Bosserd are: Region V and state FFA scholarship awards, most improved soccer and tennis awards,

Leaders Club, FFA, student council, 4-H, Model U.N. and the Vergennes United Methodist Church Youth Group.

Bosserd is the son of Jim and Jane Bosserd.

Emily Louise Myers, the daughter of William and Karen Myers, will graduate with a 4.02 GPA.

Myers plans on attending Knox College in the fall where she will study history and political science.

"My career goal is to do something noble and uplifting," Myers said.

When not in class, Myers kept busy in Model U.N., volunteer tutoring, National Honor Society and the year-book.

Awards and scholarships earned by Myers during her four years in high school are: National Merit Scholarship finalist and the Helen I Hodges Judicial Award.

When asked what she enjoyed most about high school, she said she enjoyed being a

scholar athlete, all conference honorable mention (tennis), outstanding junior FFA Agriculture award, chapter FFA star agri-businessman and National Honor Society.

Bosserd was active in

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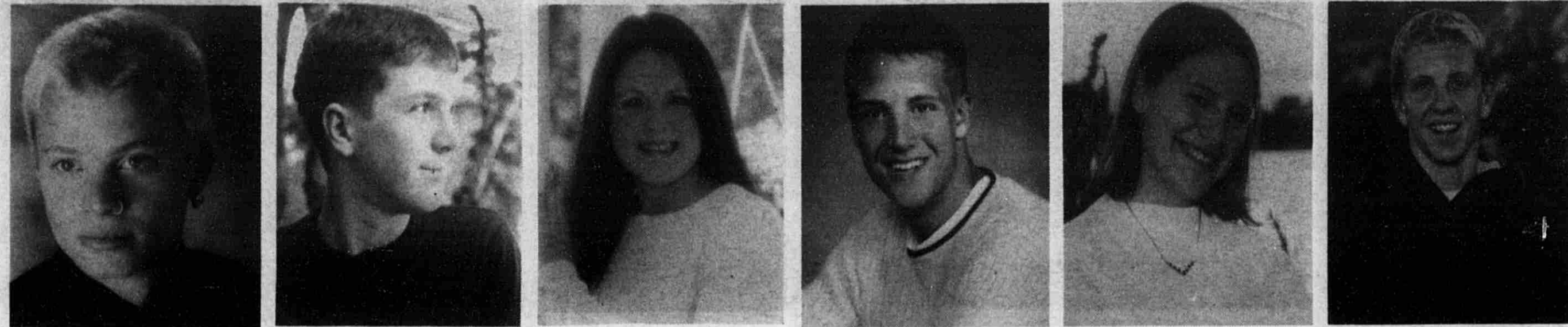
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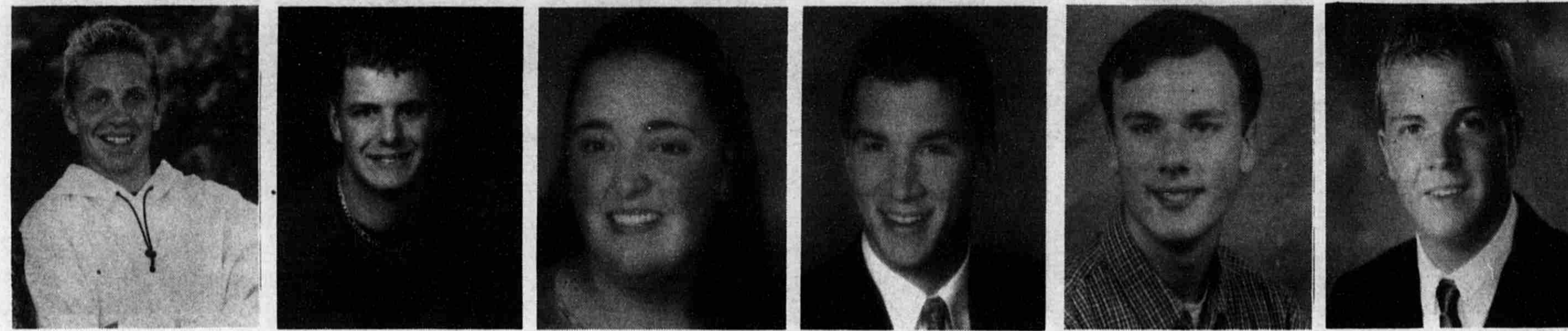
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Kimberly Renee Drougal never expected to be in the Top 10 of her class... let alone the valedictorian - her academic success is a tes-



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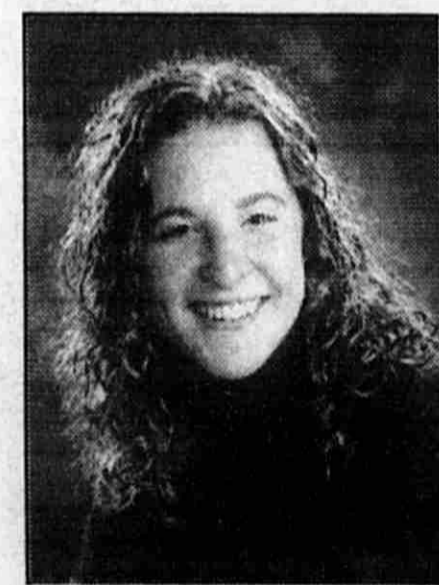
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Skyler John Willett Jennifer Leigh Williams Joseph Michael Wisner Phyllis Jean Wittenbach Barbara Ann Wright Rebecca Ann Yeo

Top 10, continued... From Page 23

joyed most about high school. Myers replied, "Nothing beats the class discussion tangents."



Nicole Rachel Tegg, 17, is proud of her work in Project Pals and hopes to someday be Dr. Nicole Tegg.

The Lowell graduate will attend the University of Michigan or Illinois Wesleyan in the fall to study pre-medicine. "I would someday like to have a career as a pediatrician," Tegg explained.

If her success in high school is any indication, becoming a doctor is just a matter of time.

Tegg, the daughter of Steve and Nancy Tegg, leaves Lowell High School with a grade point average of 4.045.

Awards and scholarships earned by the graduate are: Michigan Competitive Scholarship, MEAP Scholarship, student of the month, academic and tennis letters.

Outside of the classroom

Tegg was active in Project Pals, tennis, Model U.N. and the Calvary Church.

"If I were to start high school again I would try to be more open-minded," Tegg concluded.



Kate Gunberg graduates from Lowell High School with a grade point average of 4.039.

In the fall she will enroll in the University of Michigan to study civil engineering.

Gunberg is the daughter of Jim and Sally Gunberg. "If I were to start high school again I would become more involved in various clubs and activities," Gunberg explained.

The two-year National Honor Society member also involved herself in Lowell Women's Club, Rotary Club International, the FFA, tennis and golf.

"The classes I took, and participating in golf and ten-

nis, are creating what I hope to be lifelong friends," said Gunberg when asked what she enjoyed most about high school.

Gunberg was the recipient of the following awards and scholarships: Dina DeCator dedication award (golf), scholar athlete, all-conference golf and tennis (2000), academic letter, FFA state degree, and scholarship achievement recognition by the Michigan Association of FFA.



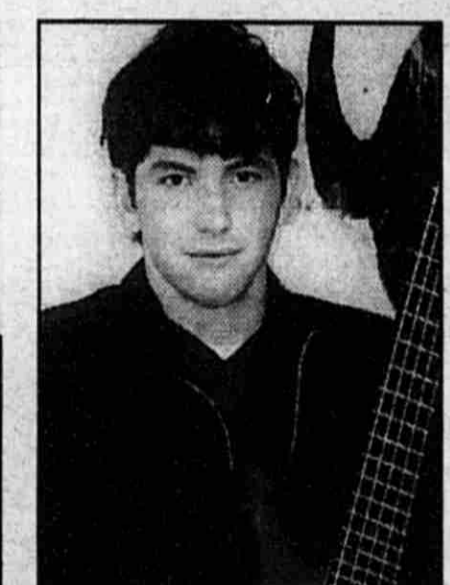
Matthew Alan Trierweiler will attend Michigan State University or the University of Michigan in the fall to study political science and law.

Trierweiler, the son of Mark and Marilee Trierweiler, graduates from Lowell with a GPA of 4.036.

Awards and scholarships earned by the graduate include the academic letter and

most improved player (soccer).

Outside of the classroom Trierweiler was involved in student council, soccer, swimming, National Honor Society, Rotary and the Youth Ambassador program.



Kyle Joseph Hines, 17, will attend James Madison College or Michigan State University in the fall to study international relations.

Hines, the son of Mark and Sharon Hines, would like to work someday in international law or politics.

While in high school, Hines enjoyed being active in Boys' State, Men's Club, bachelorette auction and the Vineyard North Youth Group.

Awards and scholarships garnered by Hines are: MSU Outstanding Junior Award, scholar athlete and most valuable player in band.

"If I were to start high

school again I would create the 'Trent Lott 3', America's finest Barbershop Quartet since the B Sharps," Hines explains.

Through four years of high school, Hines maintained a 4.022 grade point average.



Daniel John Huffman, 18, is the son of Eric and Sue

Huffman. He earned a 4.014 grade point average during his four years at Lowell.

His college choices have been narrowed down to Michigan State University, Calvin College and the University of Michigan.

Huffman plans to study medicine with career aspirations of becoming a physician.

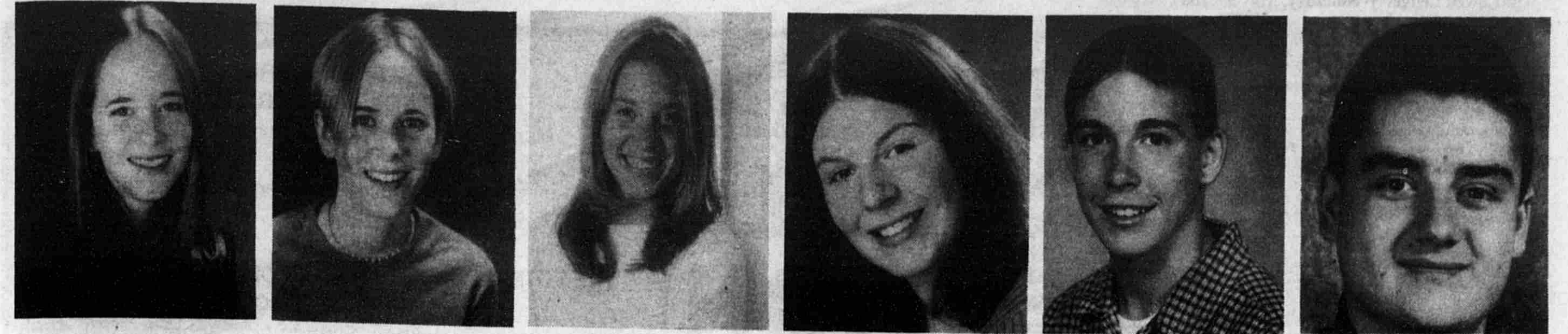
The National Honor Society member has also been involved in the International Club, Science Olympiad, MTG Club, Amateur Radio Club, tennis and the Ski Club.

"I enjoyed excelling in the difficult classes offered through Lowell High School, as well as participating in a variety of activities," Huffman said. "If I were to start high school again, I'd be more involved in the extracurricular activities."

CITY OF LOWELL MECHANIC

The City of Lowell will be accepting resumes until June 15, 2001 for the position of Mechanic for the City of Lowell. Salary negotiable depending on experience.

Send resumes to
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 01-171,517 DE

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TO ALL CREDITORS: NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, JOANNE L. GREENE, who lived at 849 Hovey S.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan died 12/01. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to JERRY GREEN, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 320 Ottawa Avenue, N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49503 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF REGULAR ELECTION OF THE ELECTORS OF LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS KENT AND IONIA COUNTIES, MICHIGAN TO BE HELD JUNE 11, 2001

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT: Please Take Notice that the regular election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 11, 2001.

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

At the regular school election there will be elected one (1) member to the board of education of the district for a full term of four (4) years ending in 2005.

THE FOLLOWING PERSON HAS BEEN NOMINATED TO FILL SUCH VACANCY:

James E. Reagan

Write-in candidates must file a Declaration of Intent on or before 4 p.m. Friday, June 8, 2001.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT the following proposition will be submitted to the vote of the electors at the regular school election:

OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL NON-HOMESTEAD AND NON-QUALIFIED AGRICULTURAL PROPERTY TAX

This millage will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills against non-homestead and non-qualified agricultural property required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation guarantee.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, exempting therefrom homestead and qualified agricultural property as defined by law, in Lowell Area Schools, Kent and Ionia Counties, Michigan, be increased by 18 mills (\$18.00 on each \$1,000.00 of taxable valuation) for a period of 5 years, 2001 to 2005, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2001 is approximately \$2,300,000 (this is a renewal of millage which expired with the 2000 tax levy)?

GRAND RAPIDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE REGULAR BIENNIAL ELECTION

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Regular Biennial Election of Grand Rapids Community College, Michigan, will be held at the same time and at the same voting places as the regular school election on Monday, June 11, 2001, and will be conducted by the same school officials for those electors of the Community College District residing in this school district.

At the Regular Biennial Election there will be elected two (2) members for the office of Community College District Trustee for full terms of six (6) years ending June 30, 2007.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS HAVE BEEN NOMINATED TO FILL SUCH VACANCIES:

SIX-YEAR TERMS (VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 2)

Margo Anderson Lynne Case Hernandez
Terri A. Handlin John E. Romero

Write-in candidates must file a Declaration of Intent on or before 4 p.m. Friday, June 8, 2001.

THE VOTING PLACES ARE AS FOLLOWS: PRECINCT NO. 1

Voting Place: Runciman Elementary School, 300 High Street, Lowell, Michigan. The first precinct consists of the City of Lowell and those portions lying north of the centerline of Cascade Road in Cascade and Lowell Townships in Kent County, and Boston Township in Ionia County.

PRECINCT NO. 2

Voting Place: Old Bowne Township Hall, 8240 Alden Nash Road, Alto, Michigan. The second precinct consists of Bowne Township in Kent County and Campbell Township in Ionia County and those portions lying south of the centerline of Cascade Road in Cascade and Lowell Townships in Kent County, and Boston Township in Ionia County.

PRECINCT NO. 3

Voting Place: Vergennes Township Hall, corner of Bailey Drive and Parnell Avenue in Vergennes Township. The third precinct consists of the Townships of Ada, Cannon, Grattan and Vergennes in Kent County, and Keene Township in Ionia County.

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

I, Kenneth D. Parrish, Treasurer of Kent County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of April 16, 2001, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Lowell Area Schools, Kent and Ionia Counties, Michigan, is as follows:

By Kent County:	.84 Mills	2001 to 2009 Incl.
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By Grattan Township:	1.00 Mills	2001 to 2003 Incl.
	.50 Mills	2001 to 2003 Incl.
By Ada Township:	.25 Mills	2001 Incl.
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	.125 Mills	2000 to 2004 Incl.
By Vergennes Township:	.50 Mills	2001 to 2002
By Cannon Township:	None	
By Bowne Township:	1.7911 Mills	2001 to 2008 Incl.
By the School District:	None	

Date: April 16, 2001 Kenneth D. Parrish Treasurer, Kent County
I, Nancy Hickey, Treasurer of Ionia County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of April 16, 2001, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Lowell Area Schools, Kent and Ionia Counties, Michigan, is as follows:

By Ionia County:	1.0000 Mill	Library Expires 2017
By Boston Township:	N.A.	
By Campbell Township:	1.5 Mill	Emergency Service Expires 2-31-01
	2.0 Mill	Fire Truck Expires 12-31-03
By Keene Township:	N.A.	
By the School District:	None	

Date: April 16, 2001 Nancy Hickey Treasurer, Ionia County
This Notice is given by order of the board of education, Pat Nugent Secretary, Board of Education

A FISHERMAN'S SERENITY

Alex Tate, of East Grand Rapids, was at a softball game when he spotted two kids walking back to Nature's Place at Cherry Creek Elementary, carrying fishing poles. Seeing this, the softball game didn't seem that important. Tate followed the kids into the wooded area where he discovered a small body of water secluded within the parameters of Nature's Place. Tate (the fisherman) returned on Saturday (May 19) with a friend (Fred Gay) carrying poles, bait and chairs in hand. He explained he had a few hours before his attention would have to switch to yard work.



LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP AMENDMENT TO THE LOWELL TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE

The following amendment of the Lowell Township Zoning Ordinance was adopted by the Charter Township of Lowell at a regular meeting held on Monday, May 21, 2001.

An ordinance to amend the Lowell Charter Township Zoning Ordinance, to provide municipal civil infraction penalties for the violation thereof.

Section 1. The current provisions of Section 6.8 of the above described Ordinance are hereby REPEALED, and the following inserted in their place:

- 6.8 Penalties
6.8.1 Any violation of any provision of this Ordinance shall be a Municipal Civil Infraction. Any person, corporation, company, partnership or other legal entity determined to be responsible for such violation, whether on a first or subsequent violation, shall be subject to a civil fine as may be posted from time to time by the Municipal Civil Infractions Bureau of Lowell Charter Township or by such fines, costs of prosecution and other lawful penalties as may be determined by the District Court having territorial jurisdiction over the location where such violation has occurred. No violator shall have the right to pay a fine for such violation to the Municipal Civil Infraction Bureau, and thereby avoid imposition of a penalty by the District Court, except with the express permission of the Township as provided by applicable state law and local ordinance. The imposition or payment of any Municipal Civil Infraction penalty shall not prevent the Township from seeking injunctive relief against a violator as may be allowed by law nor shall it be deemed to prevent the Township from taking action against such violator for any subsequent violation.
- 6.8.2 Any person, corporation, company, partnership or firm which disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with any provision of this Ordinance or any permit, license, variance or exception granted hereunder, or of any lawful order of the Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals or the Township Board, issued pursuant to the Ordinance shall be in violation of this Ordinance. Any such violation is hereby declared to be a nuisance per se and a municipal civil infraction, punishable as provided hereunder.
- 6.8.3 Each day after the date of conviction, and during which a violation continues, shall be deemed a separate offense.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect 30 days following publication of this Ordinance, or summary thereof, as provided by law.

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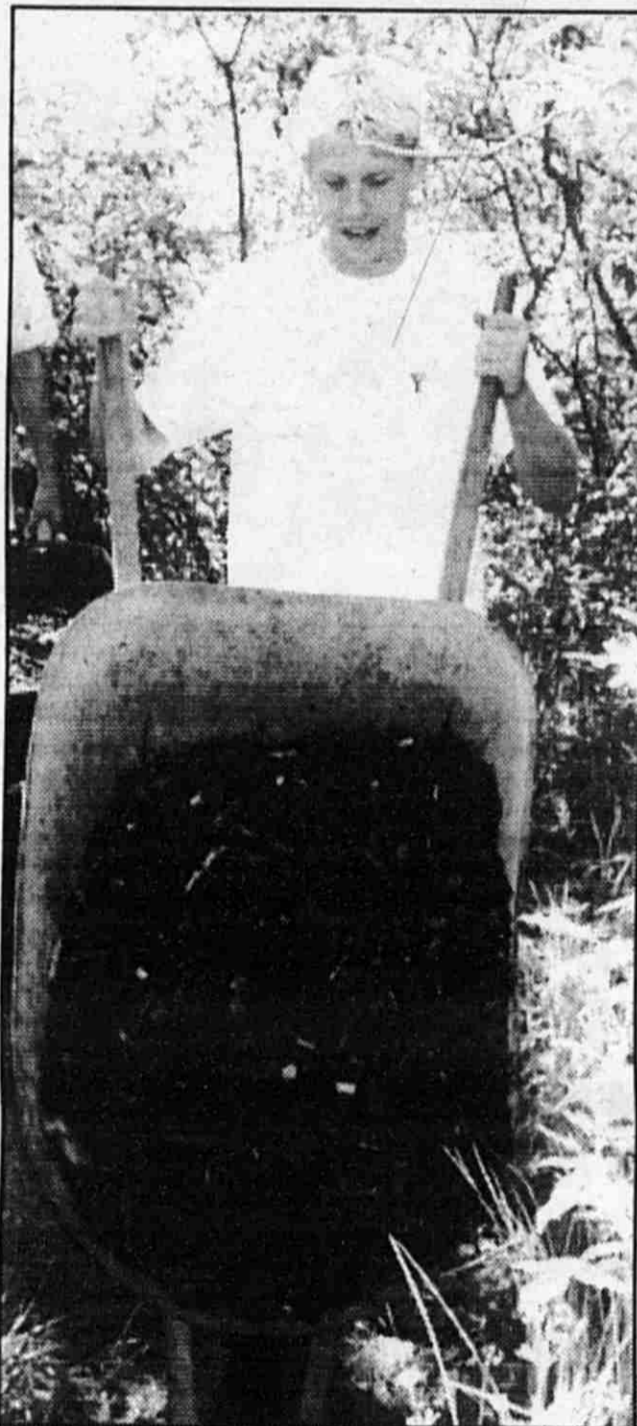
LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS NOTICE OF TESTING OPTEC COMPUTER PROGRAM FOR THE JUNE 11, 2001 ANNUAL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the OPTEC Computer Program Testing for the June 11, 2001 Annual Election will be conducted on June 4, 2001 at 5:00 p.m. at the Lowell City Hall, 301 E. Main Street, Lowell, Michigan.

PATHWAY INTO NATURE

Lowell High School soccer players shoveled and spread wood chips on the trail at Cherry Creek Elementary's Nature's Place on Saturday (May 19).

Eric Gillman



Matt Foster



Pictured, left to right, are: Sean Mandel, Chris Michael and Jeremy Goff.

KDL branches present summer family storytime

Kent District Library invites children ages six and under to the library this summer for some tales about "happy trails."

Seventeen KDL branches present Summer Family Storytime, featuring stories, songs, crafts and other book-related fun with a different theme each week. Travel USA, Things That Go, Camp-

ing, My Beach Vacation and Goin' On A Picnic are just a few of the fun storytimes planned. An adult must accompany children three and under.

This free program is part of Summer Reading Club 2001, a fun-filled reading journey to the many places that books can take us. Children, teens, and families can hit the reading road by signing up at any Kent District Library branch from June 11 through August 4. There's Reading Road Trip, U.S.A. for kids entering grade 5 and younger. Road Trip Summer Reading Raffle for teens entering grades 6 through 12,

and the Parents as Reading Partners program for families. Everyone who completes the reading journey has the chance to win some great prizes.

The Alto branch will offer the program on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. June 11, 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23.

The Englehardt branch will offer the program on Thursday, June 14 and July 12 at 10:30 a.m.

For more information, call the Kent District Library at 784-2007.



During the Middle Ages, bath houses in England were called stews and bathing was referred to as stewing.

LASSO 2001-2002 Soccer Tryouts

Saturday, June 16th

at the Grand River Riverfront Park (west off Alden Nash on Grand River Dr.)

In the event of rain, tryouts will be held in the Lowell High School Main Gym



Tryout Times

U13-U14	Boys @ 9:00 AM (ages 12-13)
U13-U14	Girls @ 11:00 AM (ages 12-13)
U9-U12	Boys @ 1:00 PM (ages 8-11)
U9-U12	Girls @ 2:30 PM (ages 8-11)

Player tryout time is based on actual age of player as of July 31st 2001 (example: a U14 eligible player would be 13 years old on July 31st 2001)

- Players must register 1/2 hour prior to scheduled tryout time.
- Players must bring own ball, shin guards, cleats, water or sports drink, and a pair of gym safe shoes. (Tryouts may be moved to the High School in case of bad weather)
- Players must bring a 1" square photo.
- **STOP READ THIS CAREFULLY:** New players to LASSO must bring a copy, that can be kept by the club, of the players birth certificate.
- Parents must be present for the entire tryout process.

LASSO (Lowell Area Select Soccer Organization) is a traveling soccer club that competes in the Grand Valley Soccer League. LASSO's mission is to provide the player with potential, interest and commitment, and a place to develop through quality instruction and competitive game experience.

Make Up Date: Tuesday, June 19th 6:30 p.m.

For more information contact Dale Hanson at (616) 897-5045 LASSO Info Line (616-246-6078) or www.lassosoccer.org

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VETERANS STAMP UNVEILED

Lowell postmaster, Gil Brown unveiled the newest stamp in honor of America's veterans. The stamp honors the patriotic dedication of all the men and women who served in the United States armed forces. It also recognizes the many ways veterans continue to serve their country, their fellow veterans and their communities. Pictured, left to right, are: Mike Willard, Commander of American Legion Post 152; Brown; Gordon Marshall, Commander of VFW Post 8303; and Charlie Doyle, former Lowell postmaster.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

MAY 31: Mark MacDonald, Arleen (Bryant) Irving, Tiffany Condon, Hannah Burt.
 JUNE 1: Norma Raymor.
 JUNE 2: Dave Thaler, Shad Propst, Tom Greenfield, Todd Dalga, Elaine Denton, Noah Burt.
 JUNE 3: Ron Nead.
 JUNE 4: Becki Brown, Karen Roudabush, Dwight Nash.
 JUNE 5: Amanda Vezino, Norma Hemingsen, Judy Rosenberger.
 JUNE 6: Daniel Thaler.



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Cherry Creek Elementary places first in Goodwill's Bag It Up drive

Cherry Creek Elementary won first place for bringing in twice as many donations as 14 other Grand Rapids el-

ementary schools during the May 7-11 Bag It Up drive. The school got into the spirit of the drive, taking extra steps by involving their community and encouraging them to also donate.

Cherry Creek and the Lowell community collected

680 bags, more than two truckloads of donations. Goodwill awarded the school with 46 vouchers, worth 10 items in any Goodwill retail store, to continue the philanthropy by distributing to needy families or charities in their community.

Country Fresh sponsored this year's Bag It Up and is providing an all-school ice cream party to the first place winners.

During Bag It Up, students are encouraged to bring in gently used clothing, toys and sports equipment to be sold at Goodwill retail stores.

May is National Electrical Safety Month

And that's a good time to check your home for electrical hazards.

Here's what to look for:

- Replace missing or broken wall plates. Cover outlets with child safety caps.
- Check for punctured cords. Never nail or staple cords to walls or baseboards.
- Unplug extension cords. They're meant for temporary use only.
- If you've sawed off the third prong on an appliance's plug, have the plug replaced. The prong is a grounding pin.
- Install a ground-fault circuit interrupter in every room with running water.
- Plug home electronics and computers into surge protectors.

For more electrical safety tips, visit the National Electrical safety foundation Web site at www.nesf.org



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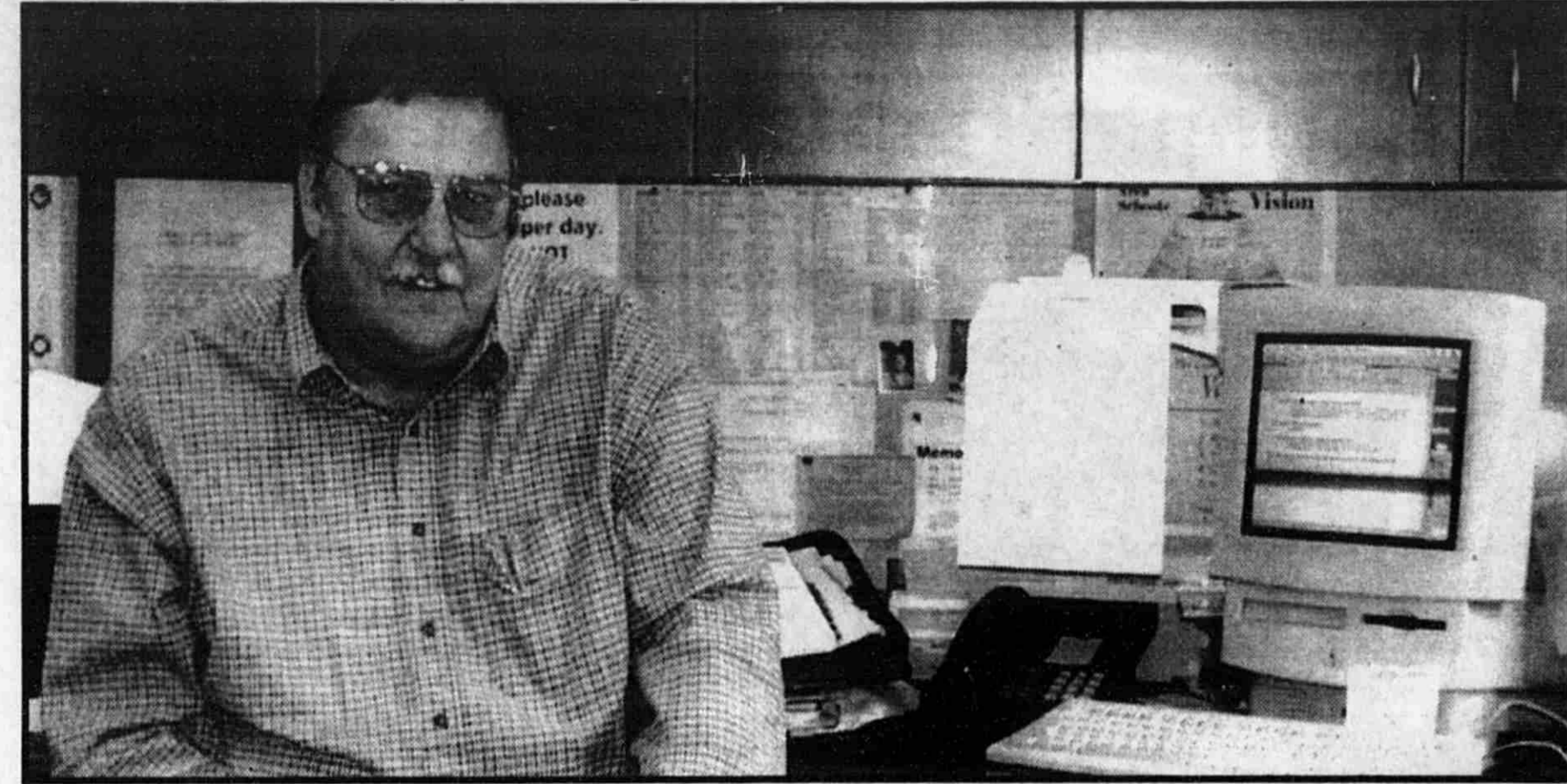
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Mark Weber will retire from the Lowell School District, after 33 years, to pursue other educational opportunities.

Weber ends tenure at Lowell to reinvest time into another educational opportunity

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

A young Central Michigan University lad interviewed with John Gabrion for a teaching position in Lowell Schools in the late 1960's.

The investment Gabrion and then superintendent, Carl Hagen made when they hired Mark Weber has paid dividends many times over.

Weber has stayed in the district for 33 years, 26 as a teacher and seven as an administrator (this last year as middle school principal).

That long and illustrious tenure will end June 22 when Weber retires from the Lowell School District. He will take his wealth in knowledge and invest it in another opportunity.

"I am not retiring from education - I love education. It's time to invest in another opportunity- educational consulting," Weber explained. "I also want and need to work on issues of health."

Weber continues to rehabilitate from an accident he suffered at his home a few years ago. "It's been a tough three years," he says.

If he has any regret concerning leaving the district, it is that he only served one year as principal. "I've enjoyed the role. It is more proactive and allows you to work on broader issues," Weber said. "Education, however, is about kids. The closer you are to them, the more gratification there is. Teachers are with the final product (students) all the time. My 26 years as a teacher have been the most rewarding."

The biggest challenge teachers in the Lowell district face is dealing with the many different backgrounds, according to Weber.

"There is a great balance between a lot of different people in Lowell. Students see a cross-cut of life," Weber said.

The middle school principal has always liked Lowell, which explains why he lives here and has raised a family here.

"Great things spring from Lowell. I like the community, its diversity, and how people work together," Weber said.

An overlapping of different curriculums has started and Weber believes will grow. "We're going to see the different areas get together and form strategies. Science will be teaching writing and history will teach reading. The curriculums will blend together. It will be an exciting frontier," he explains.

When asked about accomplishments, Weber points to the school district. "When I got here, Lowell was the trash can of school systems. Now, it is a school system to be proud of - especially when one considers the wide area Lowell draws from."

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Hikers to celebrate National Trails Day Saturday

••• The Lowell Riverwalk will be the site of a day-long community celebration and recreation activities.

The Western Michigan Chapter of the North Country Trail Association (NCTA) will be hosting a large community celebration this Saturday, June 2 in Lowell as part of National Trails Day. More than a dozen partnering organizations will be hosting outdoor recreation activities.

Hundreds of hikers, backpackers, outdoor enthusiasts and

their families are expected to gather at the Riverwalk in downtown Lowell in support of the North Country Trail, a 4,400-mile long National Scenic Trail that passes through Michigan as it spans from eastern New York to western North Dakota.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony for the NCTA's new national offices in Lowell (229 E. Main) will take place at 9:30 a.m. A community celebration will follow on the Riverwalk from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Activities will include guided hikes on the North Country Trail, canoe and kayak demonstrations, local history tours, naturalist walks, children's activities, food booths, and more. Local outdoors organizations will have informa-

tional booths. Outdoor retailers (Bill & Paul's, EMS, REI, Galyan's) will conduct clinics and demonstrations.

Event coordinator Paula Wilbur said, "The energy for this event is incredible. We're excited about how the National Trails Day will build bridges between the local community and the North Country Trail." The local Western Michigan Chapter is responsible for building and maintaining the North Country Trail in Kent and Newaygo counties.

National Trails Day is an annual event sponsored by the American Hiking Society. The local event is hosted by the Western Michigan Chapter NCTA.

The National Trails Day event in Lowell is sponsored by the Western Michigan Chapter of the North Country Trail Association. For more information please visit www.northcountrytrail.org/wmi/TD2001.htm.

City council gives its blessing to RV park

By J.N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer

Planning commission chairperson Jim Hall got the Lowell City Council's approval to move forward on plans to develop an RV park for the city.

Hall, who has been considering the idea for some time, is eyeing the properties called Moose and Rogers which run along Division to Front Street to the Flat River and then to the Grand. Last month, he approached the planning commission about endorsing the project, which it did. He then went to the Parks and Recreation Commission, which gave a general consensus approval for the idea.

"I am seeking a three-year set aside of the property

so that you won't come up with a plan to use the property while I spend two years in wasting mode," Hall said.

Actually, councilmember Don Green, who sits on the Parks and Recreation Commission, said at this time, the current Parks' master plan doesn't have anything for the 70 acres of property that Hall is looking at. In the future, the plan does indicate putting a playground and/or nature area on the Moose land, but that is not official, Green said.

In the upcoming year, the Parks and Recreation Commission hopes to update its master plan and when doing

so, will keep in mind Hall's project of the RV park for that area.

Hall plans to do a marketing study for the property to first see if it is a viable idea for the city.

"I have no intention of spending city money on a project that could bring in city money," he said, adding that he would seek funding for the marketing study and the project from local foundations and Michigan's Department of Natural Resources.

He has discussed the idea with several people including the Kent Youth Fair-

grounds organization, which liked the idea because it provided a place for camping and RVs which, in turn, would relieve the grounds.

Because of his background in design, Hall said he feels comfortable in developing initial drawings for the project and has already been in contact with an engineer who is interested in working on the project.

Hall is looking for volunteers interested in working on the project with him. This can include commissioners, councilmembers or citizens. Those interested should contact City Hall.

LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP NOTICE

PLEASE BE NOTIFIED that the Lowell Township Board approved the Planning Commission's recommendation and rezoned Timpson Orchard's property located at 11900 Cascade Road, Permanent Parcel No. 41-20-28-200-017, and 11998 Cascade Road, Permanent Parcel No. 41-20-28-200-018 from Ag. 1, Prime Agricultural, to Light Industrial. This rezoning will become effective thirty days from date of publication of this notice.

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Lowell Charter Township

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7th Annual
JUNE 9, 2001 • STARTING TIME: 8:00 AM

REGISTRATION: All entries mailed to Cherry Creek Classic, P.O. Box 62, Lowell, MI 49331. Any questions, call Terry at (616) 897-5148 evenings or Thad (616) 897-6254 evenings.

ENTRY FEE: Now until June 4th, \$12; June 5th to race day, \$15. Check or money order made out to Cherry Creek Classic (Do not send cash).

GROUP RATE: A group of 20 or more participants receive a rate of \$10 per person up until June 4.

PACKET PICK-UP: June 8th, 2001 from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. and race morning from 7 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.

LOCATION FOR PICK-UP: Middle School - north entrance.

AWARDS: Top overall male and female runners' medals three deep in each age group. Male and female run and walk. Awards handed out around 10 a.m.

AGE	14 & under	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	60-65
GROUPS:	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	66 & over

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