

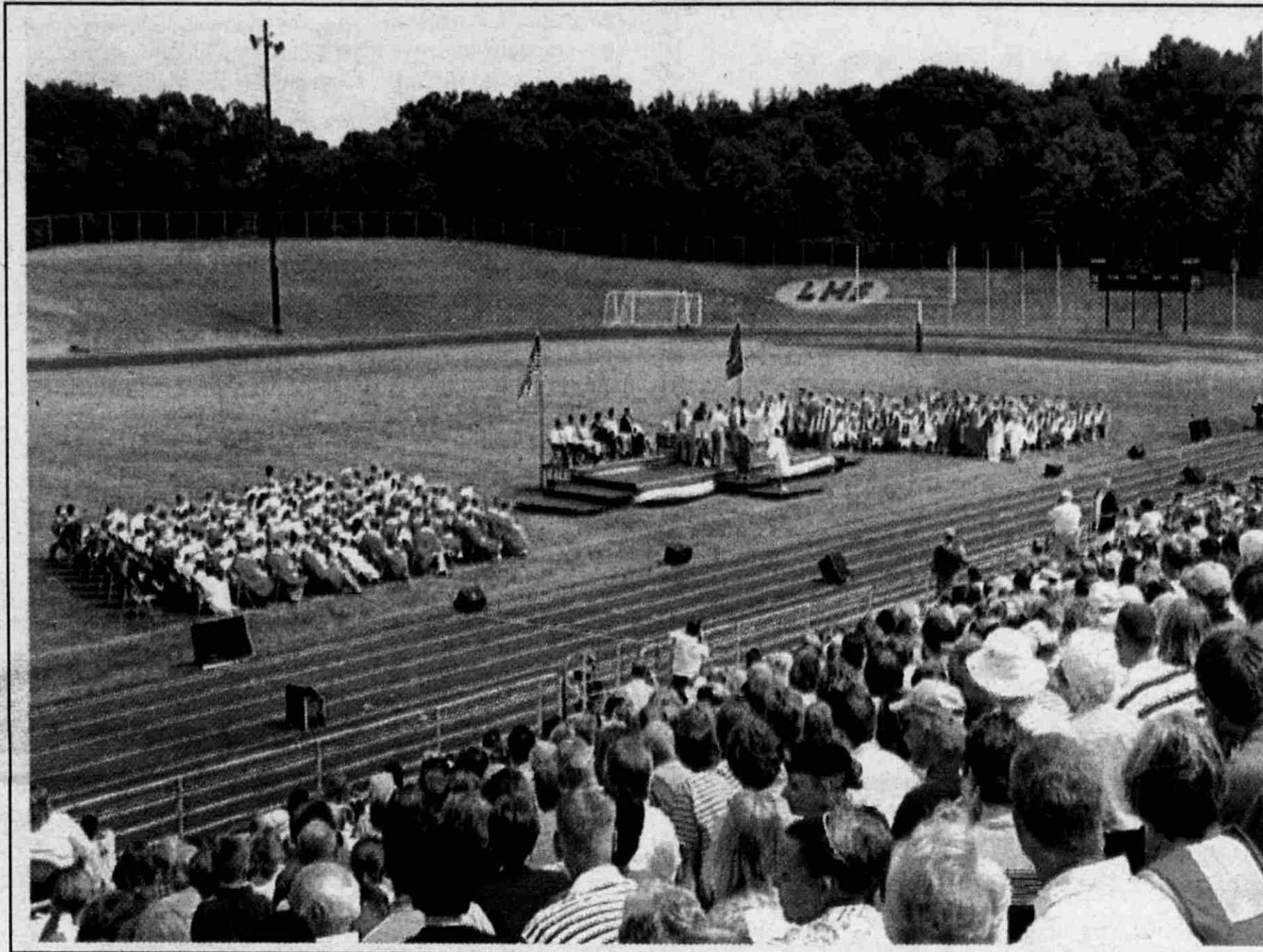
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Sunny skies grace graduation 2004



Crowds of friends, family and well-wishers of the Lowell High School class of 2004 were in attendance as almost 300 students graduated at Sunday's 126th commencement exercises held at Red Arrow Stadium.

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Museum expansion nearly finished

By Dan Schneider

Finishing work is all that remains in the restoration of the east half of the Lowell Area Historical Museum to its 19th-century state. "It's on schedule but it's right at crunch time," Ivan Blough said.

Blough has been leading the volunteer work groups since last August. When completed, the east half of the museum building will have an 1870s style parlor and dining room. There will also be space for changing exhibits and a gift shop. The current work is

mostly related to finishing the wood trim in the period rooms.

"Volunteers have been working Tuesdays and Thursdays now for about two months stripping and sanding and staining and urethaning the trim, doors and windows," museum director Judy Straub said.

That work needs to be completed by June 15, at which time the yellow pine wood floor will be installed. Then the wallpaper will go up. The museum has ordered reproduction of Victorian era wallpapers.

Since the goal is histori-

cal accuracy, the renovation of the east side has been more labor and time intensive than the construction of the west half. The process of unlocking the history of the building has been hampered by a lack of images of the building in Lowell's historical record.

"This is one of the most prominent buildings in our community, sitting right on the corner of Main and Hudson, and we have very few photographs of this building and literally no photos of the interior," Straub said.

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Art Attack at LAAC



It's Art Attack 2 this Saturday at the Lowell Area Arts Council. The event was started last year to celebrate the arts council's 25th anniversary.

Art Attack 2 will include an art auction beginning at 7 p.m. Several local artists such as Gary Eldridge and David Davis have donated artwork. Other artists who have been involved with the arts council, such as Loretta Sailors and Patti Sevensma, have also donated pieces. Local businesses have provided baskets of merchandise for auction.

There will be two types of auctions inside the arts council: a silent auction and a "Chinese auction" in which bidders place into a hat the highest bids they are willing to offer for a particular piece. The highest bid, pulled out of the hat, wins. Proceeds from the event benefit the arts council and its programming.

While the auction is going on, local flute ensemble "Flutes Uncommon" will perform followed by keyboardist Bill Zinke. There will be a variety of foods to sample plus a cash bar with wine, beer, mixed drinks and spirits. These will be in tents behind the blue sculpture by Joseph Kinnebrew. Tickets (\$35 each) may be purchased by calling the arts council at 897-8545 and will be available at the door.

Gary Eldridge created this piece, titled "Fly Away, Magic," specifically for Art Attack 2. It is among several works by area artists to be auctioned Saturday at the Lowell Area Arts Council.

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OBITUARIES

BARNES - Charles Joseph Barnes, aged 66, left June 5, 2004 on a journey to be with his heavenly Father, leaving behind his wife of 37 years, Linda, and sons, Joseph, Ernest (April), Jerome, Michel (Kim) and Tom Barnes; grandchildren Brandie, Renee, Ryan, Anna and Justin Barnes; sister Ernestine (John) Preiksha; brothers-in-law James (Jean) Stephens, Bill (Helen) Stephens; sisters-in-law Joanne Barnes, Martha (Dick) Michel; nieces and nephews. The funeral was held Tuesday at the Roth-Gerst

Chapel. Father David LeBlanc of Holy Family Church officiating. Interment at Bowne Center Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Visiting Nurse Assoc., 1401 Cedar NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503.

KAUFFMAN - Donald D. Kauffman, aged 73, formerly of Apple Creek, Ohio, died June 7, 2004 at Brenn-Field Nursing Center in Orrville following a long illness. He was born December 17, 1930, in Hopedale, Ill. to Glenn and Edna (Birkey) Kauffman

and married Ila (Kauffman) Kauffman on August 19, 1951. She survives. Surviving in addition to his wife are children Arlis (Judy) Kauffman and Merle (Bonita) Kauffman of Wooster, Ohio, Wendel (Kathy) Kauffman of Sarasota, Florida, Warren Kauffman of Canton, Ohio; eight grandchildren Jason, Jared, Justin, Brian, Kyle, Sean, Jenna, Amanda; two brothers Marlin (Rachel) Kauffman of Alto, Ron (Catha) Kauffman of Fredericksburg, Ohio; two sisters Joan (Palmer) Steiner of Apple Creek, Ohio, Vera Steiner of Goshen, Indiana; sister-in-law Imogene Kauffman of Alto. Preceding him in death are his parents, son Kevin, and brother Wayne. Funeral services were held Friday at the

Sonnenberg Mennonite Church in Kidron, with the Revs. Michael and Mattie Marie Mast officiating. Burial in the church cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Mennonite Disaster Service, 1018 Main St., Akron, Pa. 17501-9983.

PORTER - Lyle Aden Porter, aged 80, passed away at home on Friday, May 28, 2004 with his wife and children at his bedside. Lyle was born in 1923 to Elmer Robert and Jennie King Porter. He had two brothers Elgin Elmer and Arden Merl, both deceased. Two sisters survive: Ardis Mae (Donald) Rogers of Farmland, Ind., Joan Jean Cole of Camarillo, Calif. In 1947, Lyle married Mary

Ellen Neuroth. They had three children whose families are Stephen Lyle (Virginia) and children Alexander and Roxanne of El Cerrito, Calif; Deanna Loraine (David) Walters and children Rachel, Renee, Laura and Bradley of Blissfield, Mich., and Jean Elizabeth (Randy) Porter and children Austin, Le Ann and Jalen of Morenci, Mich. In 1983 Mary Ellen Porter died after a long illness. In 1984, Lyle married Evelyn Berry Bleam, who died suddenly in 1986. Her children are Nancy, Peter (Sheri), Gordon and Monica (Kevin) Roney. In 1987, Lyle married Nancy Potter Hicok who survives. Her children are Greg (Tammy), Daphne (John) Mitchell, Chet (Nancy), Dan (Jenny) and Amy. Also surviving are five brothers-in-law, four sisters-in-law, 13 step-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren; 15 nieces and nephews. Memorial services will be held on June 12 at 2 p.m. (visitation 1 p.m.) at Lowell First United Methodist Church, 621 E. Main, Lowell, Rev. Gordie Barry officiating. A memorial service will be held on June 13 at 2 p.m. (visitation 1 p.m.) at First United Brethren Church, 220 E. Jefferson, Blissfield. Rev. Keith Smith officiating. A luncheon will follow both services. In lieu of flowers, memorial contri-

butions may be made to Visiting Nurses & Hospice, 1401 Cedar N.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49503.

QUILLAN - Betty Lou (Bannister) Quillan, aged 72, of Alto, passed away May 31, 2004. She was preceded in death by her parents Leo and Erma (Chatterdon) Bannister; grandchild Seth Lucas; brother-in-law Robert Jewell. She is survived by her husband of 51 years, Bill; children Ginger (Bill) Lucas of Wyoming, David Quillan of Alto, Rick (Barb) Quillan of Caledonia, Terry (Laurie) Quillan of Rockford, Tim Quillan of Alto; brother Donald (Leah) Bannister; sister Theola Jewell; grandchildren Heidi (Andrew) Walma, Rachel (Tom) Wyatt, Derick Quillan, Amber Quillan, Andrew Quillan, Crystal Quillan, Jeffrey Quillan; step-great-grandchild; Makayla Walma; many nieces, nephews and friends. She enjoyed playing drums in the Kentwood Community Band. Funeral services were held Thursday at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell, Rev. David E. LeBlanc of Holy Family Church of Caledonia, officiating. Interment Oakwood Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Michigan Veterans Facility, 3000 Monroe NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49505.

REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF REGULAR ELECTION OF THE ELECTORS OF LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS KENT AND IONIA COUNTIES, MICHIGAN TO BE HELD JUNE 14, 2004

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the regular election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 14, 2004.

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

At the regular school election there will be elected two (2) members to the board of education of the district for full terms of four (4) years ending in 2008.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS HAVE BEEN NOMINATED TO FILL SUCH VACANCIES:

- Daniel C. Brubaker
- Kate Dernocoer
- Maureen A. Fleet
- Melanie J. Searfoss

Write-in candidates must file a Declaration of Intent on or before 4 p.m. Friday, June 11, 2004.

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, p and Boston Township in Ionia County.

PRECINCT NO. 3

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

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

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

Patrick Nugent
Secretary, Board of Education

To family, friends, neighbors, relatives, religious organizations, the Lowell Athletic Organizations (Rocket Football, Cheer leading, Basketball, etc), the Lowell Community, Lowell Schools (faculty & students), to our working families at Steelcase, Spectrum Health and the Right Place Foundation.

My kids and I would like to express our deepest appreciation for your thoughts, kind words, prayers, gifts, meals...your wisdom, help, visits, cards, and consultations. For the flowers, phone calls, donations to the heart foundation, the church masses donated in JoAnn's memory and outpouring of support.

There are many great people in this community of ours...While it is true that our family lost our favorite "great person" we certainly have had the opportunity to get closer to many more.

My family and I have agreed to learn from this loss and to do our best to get through these difficult times. We are committed to putting all your support to good use in making our "JoAnn" proud, as we go on with our daily lives.

Thanks...
Sincerely and gratefully; Stephanie, Rebecca, Austin and Steve

The Kempker Family

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Sizzlin' Summer Concerts begin

By Dan Schneider

This year's Showboat Sizzlin' Summer Concerts on the Riverwalk in Lowell will feature acts ranging from Dixieland to Reggae.

"I think we've done a good job of putting together a pretty legitimate concert series," event producer Gordon Gould said.

There are also some new changes to spice up the event this year.

For the first time in the history of the concert series, three nights will have two-band bills. Organizers will add smaller acts (magicians and the like) during these shows to

keep audiences entertained while the bands take down and set up.

July 1 will be the first time the series has a night of all-vocal performances. The vocal patriotic band "Inspirations" will perform and doo-wop band "Voices of Freedom", neither of which have instrumental backup.

The 126 Army Band opened the summer concerts last year. They will be back this year, except they will perform on a Sunday, Aug. 1. It will be the first Sunday performance in the series.

The concerts take place at the usual location on the Riverwalk. This year, the Lowell Area Chamber of

Commerce and the Lowell Area Arts Council have secured sponsorships from several local businesses. The support will help build a new, larger, portable stage for the event along with other improvements.

The following is the lineup of concerts presented by the Lowell Area Arts Council and the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce...

July 1: Inspirations (vocal patriotic) and Voices of Freedom (doo-wop)

July 8: J-3 Music (female vocal trio) and the AP Quintet (jazz)

July 15: The Willeys (folkwave)

July 22: Weezil Malone and the King Size Blues Band (blues)

July 29: Flat River Big Band (swing)

August 1 (special appearance): 126 Army Band at 3:15 p.m.

August 5: The Truth and Jazz Orchestra with Ginny Dusseau (jazz)

August 12: Java Jive (hip hop) and Reggae Boyz.

August 19: Doc's of Dixieland (Dixieland)

All performances are from 7 to 9 p.m. at Riverwalk Plaza. Admission and parking are free.

Riverwalk Festival needs musical acts

The Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce is looking for musical acts to perform during both days of the Riverwalk Festival, July 9 and 10 on Riverwalk Plaza. Those interested are encouraged to call the chamber at 897-9161.

Museum expansion, continued...From Page 1

So the restoration has been a slow detective process, which involved delving through as many as 10 layers of wallpaper to get to the heart of the historical matter.

Over the years, the space had departed from its original

configuration. It had been made into YMCA offices, for instance. Then the city used it for records storage until the completion of the new City Hall. So doors had to be moved and air passages re-cut. This all required a lot of

new trim, as well.

The next step is to select 1870s-style light fixtures for the interior. Included will be an artifact currently being refurbished from the old City Hall.

The current challenge is

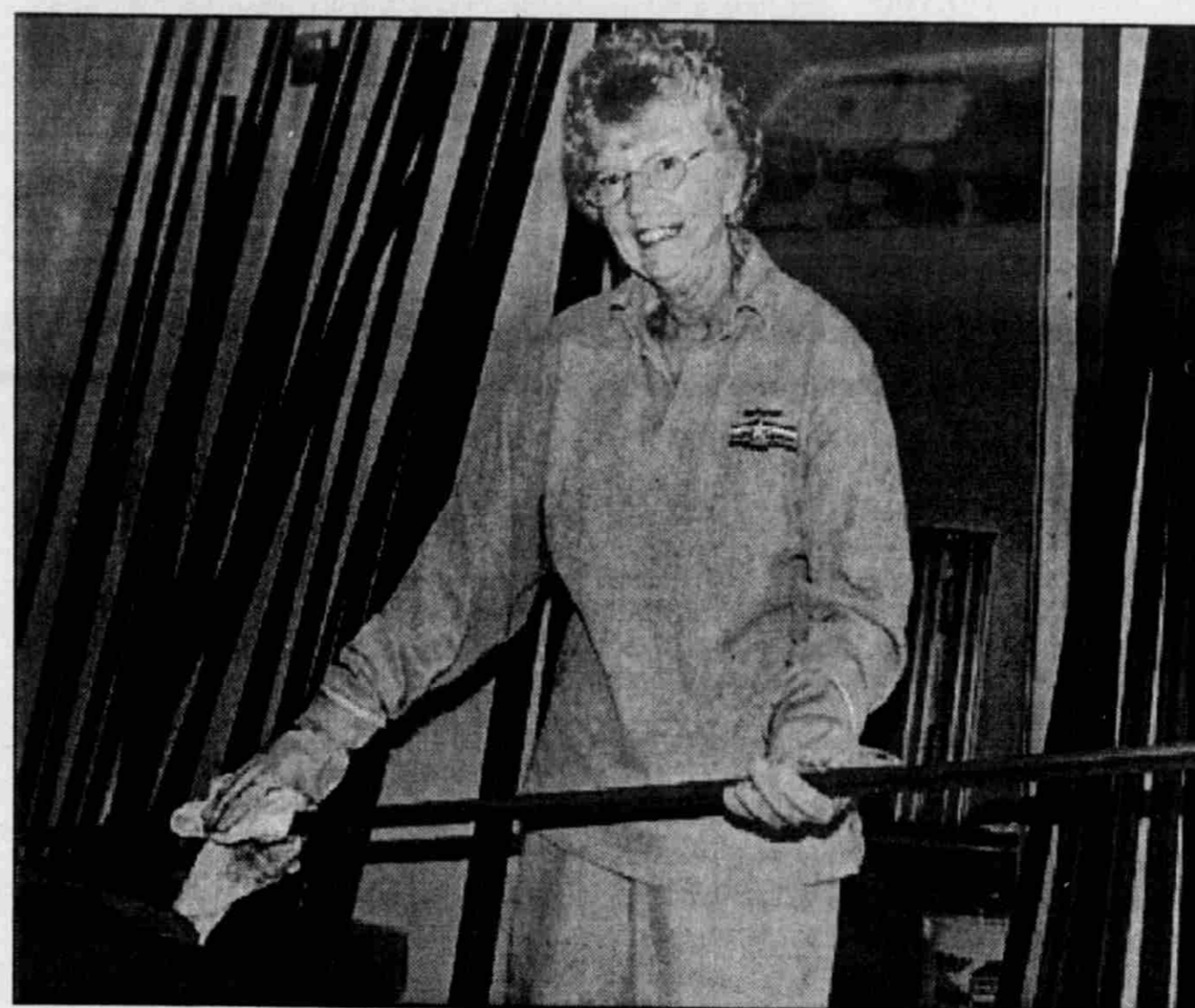
the acquisition of furniture for the museum. It is seeking donors of appropriate period furnishings in good condition.

A Victorian porch for the east side of the building is in the design stage. So is the planned Victorian garden to be located to the east of the museum in either the fall or spring, depending on preferred planting conditions.

A grand opening is slated for Sept. 18. The first display in the changing exhibits space will be about the history of Lowell's military service, during times of peace and war. It will feature war artifacts dating back to the Civil War. These include balloon maps from World War I. Lowell servicemen were part of the hot air balloon corps that did reconnaissance missions during that war. There will be a computer kiosk with directed searches for finding information on Lowell servicemen and women, as well as service people from other areas.

According to Lowell Area Historical Museum president Jim Doyle, videotaped interviews with Lowell

service veterans are already being conducted for the exhibit.



Carolyn Jane Blough stains trim pieces for the east half of the Lowell Area Historical Museum. The trim is among finishing work that must be completed by the time the flooring is installed June 15.

CITY OF LOWELL

PUBLIC NOTICE
ATTENTION CITY OF LOWELL WATER CUSTOMERS

The Department of Public Works will conduct a hydrant flushing program of the complete water system. Flushing will begin on Monday, June 14 through Friday, July 16, 2004.

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UPCOMING STREET CLOSING NOTICE
Foreman Road (Hudson to Gee Drive) will be closed to through traffic from mid-June until August 20th for street and water main improvements. Traffic will be limited to local access only. Through traffic will be detoured.

Prior to the beginning of construction, the City of Lowell will meet with local residents and businesses to discuss project staging and local access.

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Lowell Lions Club celebrates golden anniversary

By Dan Schneider

The Lions Club of Lowell has been part of the community scene for 50 years.

It recently celebrated the anniversary at their annual charter night at Deer Run Golf Club. Many of the past presidents were present.

The first major project the Lions undertook—in fact, the main reason the club was chartered on May 21, 1954—was to build a community pool in Lowell.

Bill Jones, then an employee at the C.H. Runciman Company, was the driving force that started the Lowell Lions Club. He had the pool

project in mind when he began recruiting members.

"He was really community involved at the time," Bob Reagan said. "The fact that he saw that need and found a good vehicle to do it through the Lions Club was outstanding."

Reagan is the last remaining charter member. At the May 20 charter night he was given the Melvin Jones Award. Named after the founder of the Lions Clubs International, the award recognizes Reagan's 50 years with the Lowell Lions.

"He's really stuck it out and really dedicated himself

to the club," said Lowell Lions Club one-year director Jim Doyle.

The pool project was a success. The Lions raised \$12,000 toward its construction. A grant from the Francis King estate allowed the pool to be completed in 1960. The pool lasted for 35 years before it became too expensive to keep in good repair.

Jones made a lasting legacy to the town in the form of the Lowell Community Fund. He established the fund with Elmer Schaefer of the Lowell Rotary Club in 1954.

The primary mission of the International Lions Clubs

is to make eye care available for people all over the world who are unable to afford it. The Lowell Lions Club continues to contribute to this effort both locally and internationally.

Their current fundraising efforts include selling hot dogs at the Fallburg Festival and during the Showboat Sizzlin' Summer Concerts. The Lions also place American flags along Main Street for various holidays throughout the year, most recently on Memorial Day. The Lions obtain sponsorships for the flags from Main Street businesses.

In the past, the Lions' fundraising efforts included selling light bulbs. They used to sell white canes, too, but that project has mostly been taken over by the Alto Lions. The Lowell Lions Club helped start the Alto Lions as their sponsoring club. Although the Lowell club has decreased in number (membership is now at 14), the purpose remains the same.

"We've seen some people come and go—whether they've passed away or moved away," Lowell Lions Club president Dave Gerst said. "Some of the names and faces have changed, but the goal is still the same. We're always inter-

ested in people who would like to participate in local service work."

Current Lowell Lions service projects include funding eye exams for needy people locally; and donating to Welcome Home for the Blind, Vision Enrichment, and the YMCA's Invest in Youth. They underwrite youth who attend leadership programs as well as provide MVP plaques for Lowell High School sports. They have collection containers around town for used eyeglasses; these are refurbished and used by people in Third World countries who need glasses.

Developer obtains variances despite questions of legality

By J. Lobdell
Contributing Writer

Responding after the vote, a resident questioned whether variances granted to a local developer make the project legal. John VanderWilp, a former planning commissioner, voiced his concerns over the granting of three variances to the development at 911, 925, and 951 Grindle. The variances allowed the developer to proceed with the project using a registered surveyor versus the required engineer; allowing the road to

exceed the 800-foot maximum length, going to 850; and having 16 feet of width with valley gutter on the second half of the roadway.

VanderWilp said he was on the commission when Al Mathews sought the original variance for the road and, through his understanding, the development was to include only one more house, not three as planned by developers Richard Anderson and Frank Martin. "The rules should be the same for each and every citizen in this city," VanderWilp said, adding that

he felt the city should hold another public hearing and properly notify residents of what is about to take place.

VanderWilp said he questioned whether the city's actions are really legal, relaying it to "a resident getting a speeding ticket and then the police department going out and changing the sign from 25 to 85 on Bowes Road making it okay." His concern is that the action could have serious effects for the city down the road.

At the request of the council, city manager David

Paquale said he will review the planning commission's and council's actions with the city attorney. The development received some comments when first presented in April from Sundry Developers in regards to run-off from the property that the development company will now have to factor in on its project. Martin, the city's fire chief, said the road was patterned after the city's new changes in the private street ordinance; these are scheduled for a public hearing and to be reviewed by the planning commission on June 28. Under the new revisions, a development with three to five homes must have a minimum 66-foot right-of-way easement granted to all properties served by the street, and

that the street cannot be less than 16 feet wide with a gravel shoulder on each side. The private street begins at 33 feet wide and narrows to 16 feet with valley gutter. For larger developments, the width requirement is 24 feet with a gravel shoulder on each side of the driving surface.

Councilman Al Mathews said he doesn't feel the developer is at fault and that it was something that "simply slipped through the cracks." Mathews said at the April

planning commission meeting that he decided not to develop the property after seeking the original variance for the road. It was later picked up by the current developers, Anderson and Martin. Construction on the third house had already started when the city discovered the parcel had not been approved for a private street according to the ordinance. The private street comes into effect when more than two homes are built on a parcel.

New business opens

The new Tractor Supply Company store, located at 21111 W. Main St., will hold

its grand opening on Saturday, June 12.

According to store manager Keith Perry, festivities for the 26,000 square foot facility will begin at 8 a.m. Events will include a ribbon-cutting ceremony, refreshments by the local 4-H, pony rides and antique tractor show.

The Lowell facility is Tractor Supply's 47th store in Michigan and currently employs 15.

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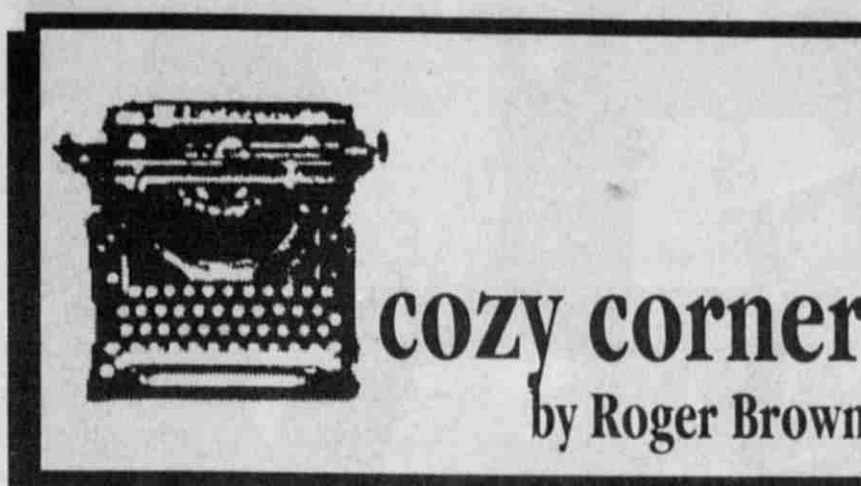


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Viewpoint



cozy corner by Roger Brown

My airplane is older than I am. It was built for the Army in 1941. I didn't come along for another eight years. No matter how you look at it...that's an old airplane. And, I'm an old guy. So, when Brother Eddie, just two years younger than me, showed up at my door to ride along on a 2,500 mile cross country flight, we had the mix-in's for a real old poop's adventure.

The goal was to ferry the airplane from the Florida Keys to Michigan. One little side trip included a dogleg up nearly the entire Eastern Seaboard. Look at it on a map, and you'll see that Massachusetts is not along a normal flight path between Florida and Michigan. Normal is the operative word here. This was not a "normal" trip, just as my brother and I are not "normal" people.

Why Massachusetts, you ask? It is one of six small states east of the Mississippi that I had not visited in the fourteen years I've owned my Stearman. The others were Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, Rhode Island and Connecticut. My



OUTDOORS By Dave Stegehuis

BOATING SAFETY

With hundreds of miles of Great Lakes shoreline and countless inland lakes, it is not surprising that the state of Michigan registers more watercraft than any other state. How many people do you know that own a boat?

The boating season is relatively short with the majority of activity occurring during the warmer months, especially over the summer holidays. A variety of boat types are operated by individuals with a wide range of knowledge and skills. To insure a safe boating season, all operators must have an understanding of boating rules and follow them. Also, each type of watercraft has unique handling characteristics that must be learned before leaving the dock. After that, hands-on experience is essential for safe operation of a vessel.

Potential boaters age 12-16 are required to complete a boating safety class before operating a power watercraft without an adult present. Anyone, regardless of age, would be wise to take a boating class to review the rules of the road, required equipment, navigation aids, and emergency procedures. For example, it is remarkable how many people don't know, or maybe don't care, about what action to take when encountering another vessel. If you are not sure what to do in this situation, be sure to find out through a class or at seek written information or at least ask someone who knows the rules.

Depending on the size of the watercraft, regulations may require equipment like emergency signaling devices and fire extinguishers. All watercraft must have flotation devices onboard for all passengers. The size and type of vessel determines the type of flotation device required. Regardless of regulations, if everyone wore a life vest when on the water, the majority of accidental drownings could be avoided.

The weather often contributes to boating mishaps. Keep an eye on changing weather conditions or, better yet, get a marine radio or monitor to receive current weather information. Wind and lightning can be particularly hazardous, so get off the water at the first hint of trouble. If you anticipate being in situations where getting off the water quickly is not possible, find out what other options are available to reduce the risk.

Understanding the capabilities of your craft and how to handle it in rough seas requires knowledge and experience. Recently, I was fishing a lake in the Upper Peninsula where a guy anchored a small boat from the stern and almost swamped it because of waves coming over the transom. Common sense can go a long way toward avoiding problems on the water.

If we all become knowledgeable about boating safety, apply common sense, and are considerate of others, everybody can safely enjoy their time on the water. Have a safe summer.

ultimate goal is to log at least one Stearman landing in all 48 contiguous United States. A Stearman landing is always an experience, so why not make things "really" interesting and spread 'em out.

This particular feat has been done before, and at least one book has been written about the experience. If you're interested, read Stephen Coonts' "Flight of the Cannibal Queen." I'm not out to copy Coonts. It simply occurred to me a year or so ago that I had been in well over half those 48 states... why not go for it. Sure, it would be smarter to have a goal like eating better, exercising more or saving for retirement... but those kind of goals are way too normal.

To help put this trip in perspective, I have to tell you a little about my airplane. It is an open cockpit biplane with seating for two, one behind the other. Cruising speed is something shy of 90 miles per hour. There is no heater and, of course, no air conditioner. The seats are hard, the noise is deafening, and the wind makes it nearly impossible to fold a map. There is no modern equipment aboard such as a transponder or reliable radio, so I have to avoid controlled airspace. The plane is old... the pilot is old... we have to fly accordingly.

I do have one piece of relatively modern equipment in the plane. It is a portable GPS (Global Positioning System) that tells me where I am going. More importantly, my GPS tells me where I am in relation to controlled air space. With my GPS I can bend a few regulations and sneak in, under, through and around controlled areas. I can do this without talking on my radio, which I can't usually understand because of the open cockpit environment. Also I can avoid squawking a transponder code. The latter is really important, because I don't even have a transponder. I use the word, "sneak" a lot when describing my flight plans.

Speaking of flight plans, I never file one. I figure the less my name and plane identification number are in the system, the better. If a little radar blip should happen to wander somewhere it shouldn't, better they don't have a flight plan naming the likely culprit. My old bird is a far cry from a "stealth" airplane, but to get anywhere, I have to fly like it is.

Luck has a little to do with flying like I do. Here's a good example. I just happened to notice on the news this morning that President Bush and the leaders of a few of the world's most powerful countries have assembled on Sea Island, Georgia. About ten days ago our second fuel stop was St. Simons Island, Georgia. The two islands are very close to each other, and I'm guessing all these dignitaries flew into St. Simons Island's rather large airport.

Had my timing been off, and I'd flown in there this week, things would have been different. With no flight plan, no transponder and no radio communication, (and no clue), I'm certain an F-16 escort would have been in order. The only problem is, an F-16 can't slow down to my speed. They'd have to shoot me down. Helluva way to get fifteen minutes of fame. Even if they did let me lumber on in to land, I'm guessing we'd have been roughed, cuffed and would still be answering questions. Timing is everything.

That sets the stage. Over the next week or two I'll tell you how the trip went and relate a few experiences we had along the way. No normal experiences, just the abnormal... which, in our case, might just be normal.

TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

As you may be aware, Lowell Community Wellness celebrated Senior Health and Fitness Week during the week of May 24th. Over 150 Seniors, 16 volunteers and eight community businesses attended the four-day event. Their enthusiasm was contagious and their support was tremendous! The celebration was a true demonstration of community collaboration - it made me feel very fortunate to live and work in the Lowell area.

Thank you, Jessica M. Johnson, MPT Lowell Community Wellness director

Dear Editor:

As residents of the Low-

ell School District, we are so very fortunate to have a choice of four excellent candidates for the two vacancies on our board of education.

I would encourage you to consider Kate as one of your choices. She is a person of intelligence, insight and integrity as has been amply demonstrated throughout her four years of service.

Her involvement with the Community Fund Advisory Committee and the Lowell Area Schools Education Foundation provides her opportunities for communication which can be of benefit to our schools.

Be sure to vote on June 14. This is your opportunity to have input in the operation of our schools.

Sincerely, Ann Mulder



By Priscilla Lussmeyer

Ledger Entries of 125, 100, 75, 50 and 25 years ago

125 YEARS THE WEEKLY JOURNAL JUNE 11, 1879

A late frost has done some damage. Lowell wool buyers are paying the highest market prices. Mrs. E. A. Chapman's valuable mocking bird died a few days ago.

Cash sales at the Boston Store's big sale last Saturday were a very good \$352.47.

O.W. Stone, carriage builder on Monroe St., will do all kinds of repairs in first-class style.

100 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER JUNE 9, 1904

Alumni are invited to the Third Annual banquet of the Lowell School Alumni Association at the opera house. This is the only announcement; the mailing list has been lost.

A small front page ad offers timberlands for sale in Oregon.

Morse Lake and Merriman schools announce their commencement exercises for eighth graders.

A Republican candidate for governor says his party is owned by the Michigan Central Railway Co. and that he will reform the party if elected.

Some want the summer band concerts on the island, and others want them on a movable bandstand in a variety of places.

75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER AND THE ALTO SOLO JUNE 13, 1929

Baccalaureate Services will be Sunday and Commencement Friday, June 21 for the 37 seniors.

Marshal Fred Gramer steps out on the running board of his car to motion a car to stop, loses his balance and is run over by his own car. Injuries not serious.

McQueen Motor Co. shifts from selling Chevrolets to selling Pontiacs and Oaklands.

The editor wonders if the Chicago World's Fair planned for 1933 will be as grand as its masterpiece in 1893.

A woman is reported as having her vaccination done on the sole of her foot, in this era of short sleeves.

50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER JUNE 10, 1954

A "listening and alarm" device is installed at the Lowell Ground Observer Corps post, to detect planes coming in under radar. It is one of two in Michigan.

There are 73 seniors who will graduate tonight.

Boy Scouts are taking a census of all dogs and cats to prepare for rabies vaccinations of at least the dogs, requested by Health Officer Dr. Hill.

The first-year Latin class holds an eighth Roman-style feast, after research.

Cub Scouts put on a "Mississippi Showboat," complete with black greasepaint.

25 YEARS THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER JUNE 13, 1979

Nineteen adults received high school diplomas at ceremonies held last week.

Roger Kropf is re-elected and Mary Yost elected to the school board.

Showboat chorus rehearsals start next week, and Ivan Blough's crew is just about done with construction of the new boat.

Amway, owner of the Mutual Broadcasting System, buys Station WCFL in Chicago.

"Blazing Saddles" is playing at the Strand this weekend.

Lasso 2004-2005 FALL & SPRING SEASONS

SOCCER TRYOUTS

SATURDAY, JUNE 19
Grand River Riverfront Park
(West off Alden Nash on Grand River Dr.)

If Township Park still flooded, tryouts will be at Lowell High School. For your convenience registration forms are available on line at www.lassosoccer.org

TEAM AGE AND GROUPS • GIRLS & BOYS

U-14.....	Under 14 years of age after July 31, 2004 @	9:00
U-13.....	Under 13 years of age after July 31, 2004 @	9:00
U-12.....	Under 12 years of age after July 31, 2004 @	10:30
U-11.....	Under 11 years of age after July 31, 2004 @	10:30
U-10.....	Under 10 years of age after July 31, 2004 @	12:30
U-9.....	Under 9 years of age after July 31, 2004 @	12:30

PLAYERS MUST BRING:

- 1) Soccer ball, cleats, shin guards
- 2) 1" Photo
- 3) COPY of birth certificate, new players only
- 4) Insurance and Physician information
- 5) Payments are accepted.

PARENT TO BE PRESENT FOR ENTIRE TRY OUT - APPROXIMATELY 2 HOURS

MAKE UP DATE: Tuesday, June 22, 2004 • 6:30 p.m.

SAME LOCATION

LASSOs goal is to provide a competitive club environment where dedicated players can develop their potential, and receive quality instruction in an atmosphere of fun as their commitment to the sport of soccer grows.

LOWELL AREA SELECT SOCCER ORGANIZATION
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www.lassosoccer.org www.InTheLead@aol.com

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ENGAGEMENTS

Nugent/McCauley



Renee Nugent and Thomas McCauley

Terry and Jean Nugent of Lowell announce the engagement of their daughter, Renee Teresa to Thomas Alan McCauley, son of Alan McCauley of Lovington, NM, and Dawn Jones of Woodland, CA.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Lowell High School and Michigan State University.

The groom-elect, of Lovington, is a graduate of Elizabethtown High School, Elizabethtown, PA, and Penn State University.

A July 17, 2004 wedding is planned.

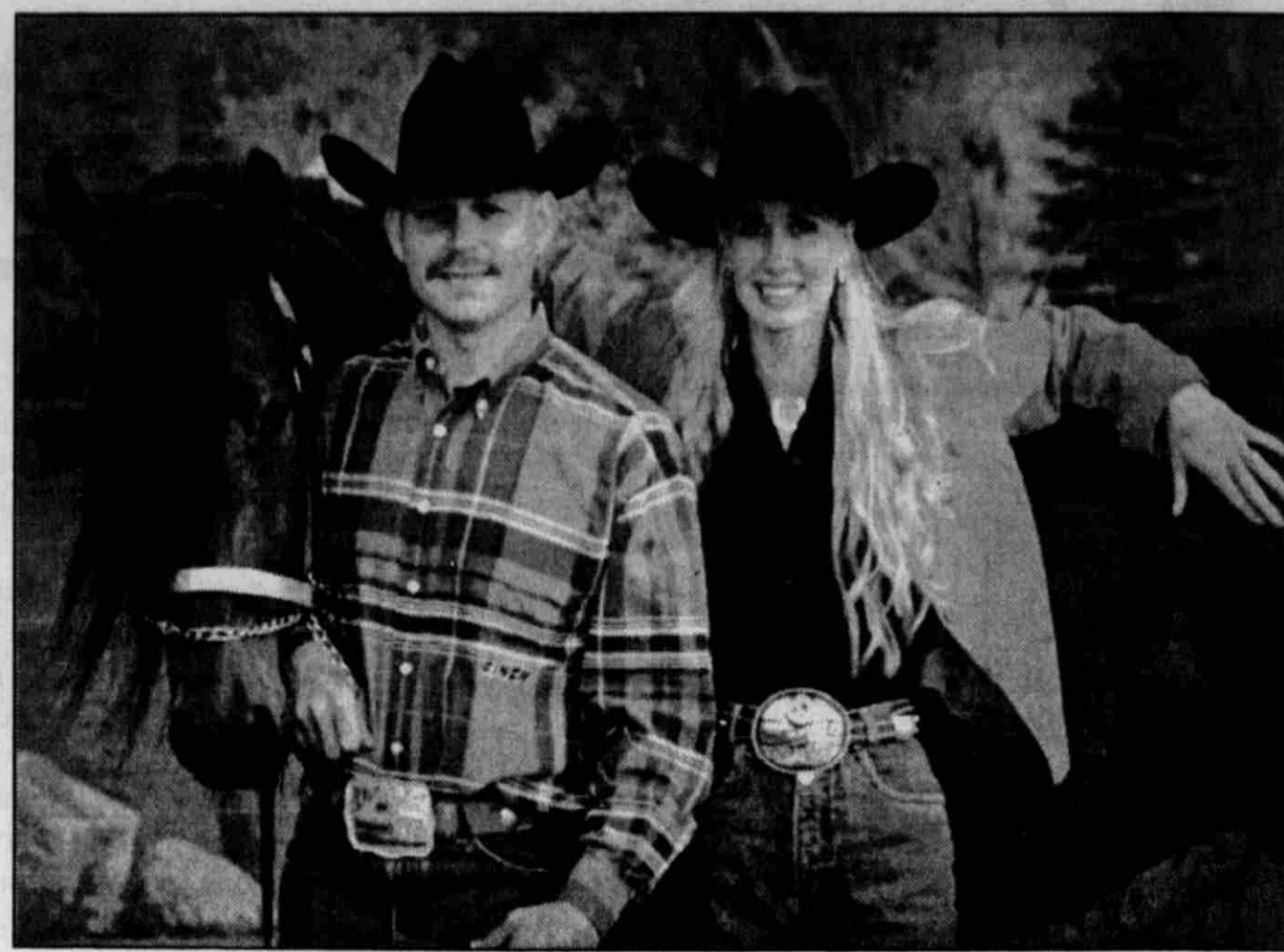
Ludge/Rondy

Announcing their plans for a June 12, 2004 wedding are Rochelle Ludge and Jim Rondy Jr.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Lowell High School and the daughter of Rolf and Melva Ludge of Alto and Connie Ludge of Sand Lake.

The groom-elect is a graduate of Montabella High School and the son of Cherrie and Jim Rondy of Remus.

The couple live in Alma and compete with their horses in team penning events nationwide.



Jim Rondy Jr. and Rochelle Ludge

Reflections Of Faith

Dave Noonon
Assistant Pastor
Christian Life Center

If you pray for a Cadillac and God sends you a donkey, ride it! Matt 6:1-15

It has been said over and

over that we must be very specific in our prayers or God isn't responsible for the answer. If you want God to send you a beautiful new black Cadillac, you better specify the model, series, appoint-

ments and accessory equipment along with the ID numbers or you could end up with something less than your ideal. Well, here's a newsflash for you: God is not impressed at all with what your materialistic wants are. What He is concerned with are your moral and spiritual needs.

The verses in our text clearly tell us that God knows what we need before we even ask him. God knows we have physical and financial needs, and His Word encourages us to ask for them. God also knows our emotional and spiritual needs, and His Word

encourages us to ask for them. God knows all our needs, and in His Word God promises to fulfill them. Just remember He may very well know that it would be better for your soul to ride a donkey than to drive a Cadillac. It boils down to this: Who knows better what you need—God or you?

Most of us probably have not prayed for a Cadillac to drive, and most of us probably have not received a donkey to ride instead. But, many times we receive the exact opposite of what we thought we needed. Several years ago I was the outreach pastor in an inner city church when I ran into a problem with a family in the community. I tried everything I could to resolve the constant conflicts they were causing in their neighborhood. Finally, I had enough; all I wanted was a little peace and resolve. I earnestly prayed for God to move them from the neighborhood they were living in. I simply could not tolerate this situation any more. A short time later they came up to me with the wonderful news that they were moving. I was overjoyed! They were happy; I was happy; their immediate neighbors would be happy. It was all working out. My prayers had been answered. Then they shared the rest of the news—they were moving to the very street where I was living, I would still be their outreach pastor. No Cadillac in that deal!

No, it did not work out all that well. What I wanted did not happen. About two years later they finally left the area. They never changed. Oh, but I did! I learned how to not only resolve conflicts, but how to minister to people who wanted to always have their own way. I had wanted freedom from a problem. God increased the problem by putting me in contact with these people on a daily basis instead of a weekly one. I learned to ride that donkey, and I am glad for it! God knew and provided what I needed. Next time you tell Jesus exactly how things should be, remember that he did not mind riding donkeys!

Lord, next time you send me a donkey, I'll ride it. Hopefully, it will be a short ride. Amen.



'HARDT HAPPENINGS



SUMMER READING CLUB RETURNS

Children entering grade 5 and younger are invited to spend some time in the library this summer, and "Discover New Trails," through Kent District Library's Summer Reading Club. The program begins Monday, June

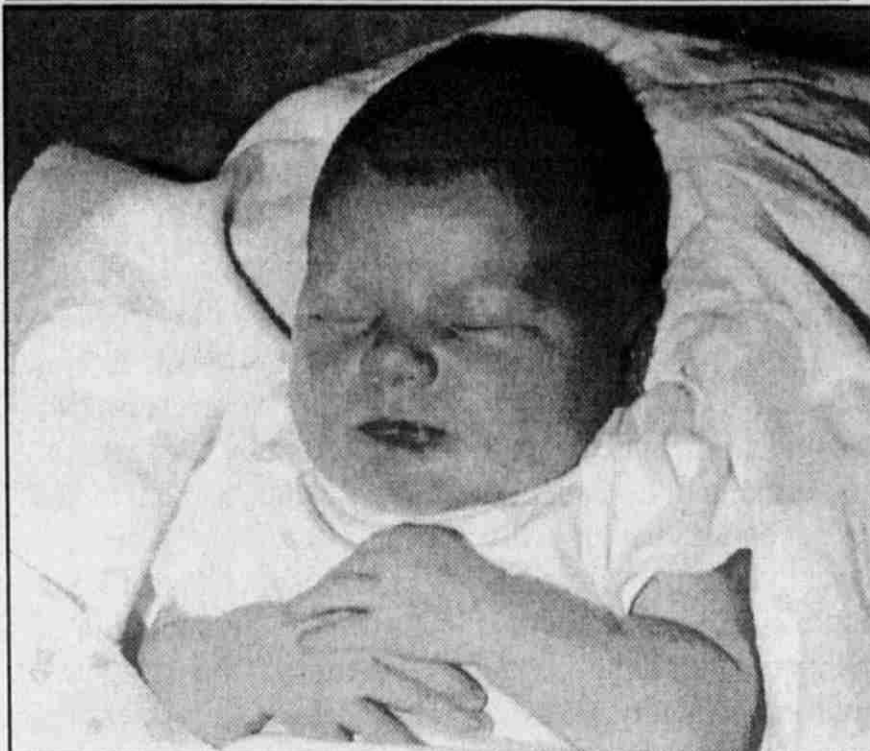
14 and runs through Aug. 7. Participants who complete their reading goals will receive some fun prizes, and everyone who signs up for the club can enter their name in a drawing for larger prizes - including a trip to Walt Disney World. This year, each KDL branch will give away a bicycle donated by Village Bike Shop and Giant Bicycle.

The Teen Reading Raffle is for students going into grades 6 through 12. Mall gift certificates and laser tag passes are some of the prizes available.

Call 784-2007 or visit the web page at www.kdl.org for more information.

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AREA BIRTHS



Aaron and Jennifer (Cook) Kik are pleased to announce the arrival of Victoria Jane, born April 14, 2004. She weighed 8 lbs. 10 oz. and measured 22 1/2 inches.

Proud grandparents are Jim and Berdie Cook of Lowell and Sharen Kik of Jenison. Great-grandparents are Elsie Detmers of Lake Placid, Fla., Jim Cook, Sr. of Lowell, Emma Dyke of Jenison, and Ann Kik of Port Richey, Fla.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JUNE 10: Jim Stone, April Decker, Courtney Tulppo, Gus Geldersma.

JUNE 11: Joseph Vezino, Jeanne Boss, Terri S. Fonger.

JUNE 12: Benjamin Zoodsma, Jenny Engle, Noah Green.

JUNE 13: Holly Fetterhoff, Vivian Hoskins.

JUNE 14: Kyle Manszewski.

JUNE 15: Joey Hunt Jr., Courtney Baker, Rachel Heinicke, Caran Schalow, Katlin Manszewski.

JUNE 16: Roger Raymor, Michael Pretzel, Orin Comdure, Jean Bishop, Mike Kennedy.

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June 12th, 10am - 6pm
June 13th, 1pm - 4pm

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To pre-register for Vacation Bible School, please fill out the following information and mail to FBC Lowell, 2275 West Main, Lowell 49331 or e-mail the information to lowellfbc@iserv.net

Ages: 4 years old - 6th grade

When: June 21 - 25, 2004

Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Where: First Baptist Church of Lowell

Name: _____

Grade: _____
(as of 2003-2004 school year)

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone number: _____

Christoff memorial service



Dorothy Jean Christoff
June 21, 1917 - December 24, 2003

A commemoration of the life of Dorothy Jean Christoff will be held Thursday, June 17 at the First Congregational Church of Lowell, 404 N. Hudson at 7 p.m. Family will be available to greet friends between 6:30 and 7 p.m. with a reception following the service. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Hospice of Michigan, 1260 Ekhart N.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49503.

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TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the Township of Grattan will hold a public hearing on June 17, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. at the Grattan Township Hall, 12050 Old Belding Road, within the Township, on the application of the Grattan Township Historical Society to amend the site plan for the special land use previously approved by the Planning Commission under the terms of Sections 9.02D and 13.06 of the Township Zoning Ordinance, so as to authorize the Grattan Historical Society to modify the location of the accessory building for the Grattan Township Museum Building located on the Township Hall property at 12050 Old Belding Road, within the Township, and legally described as follows:

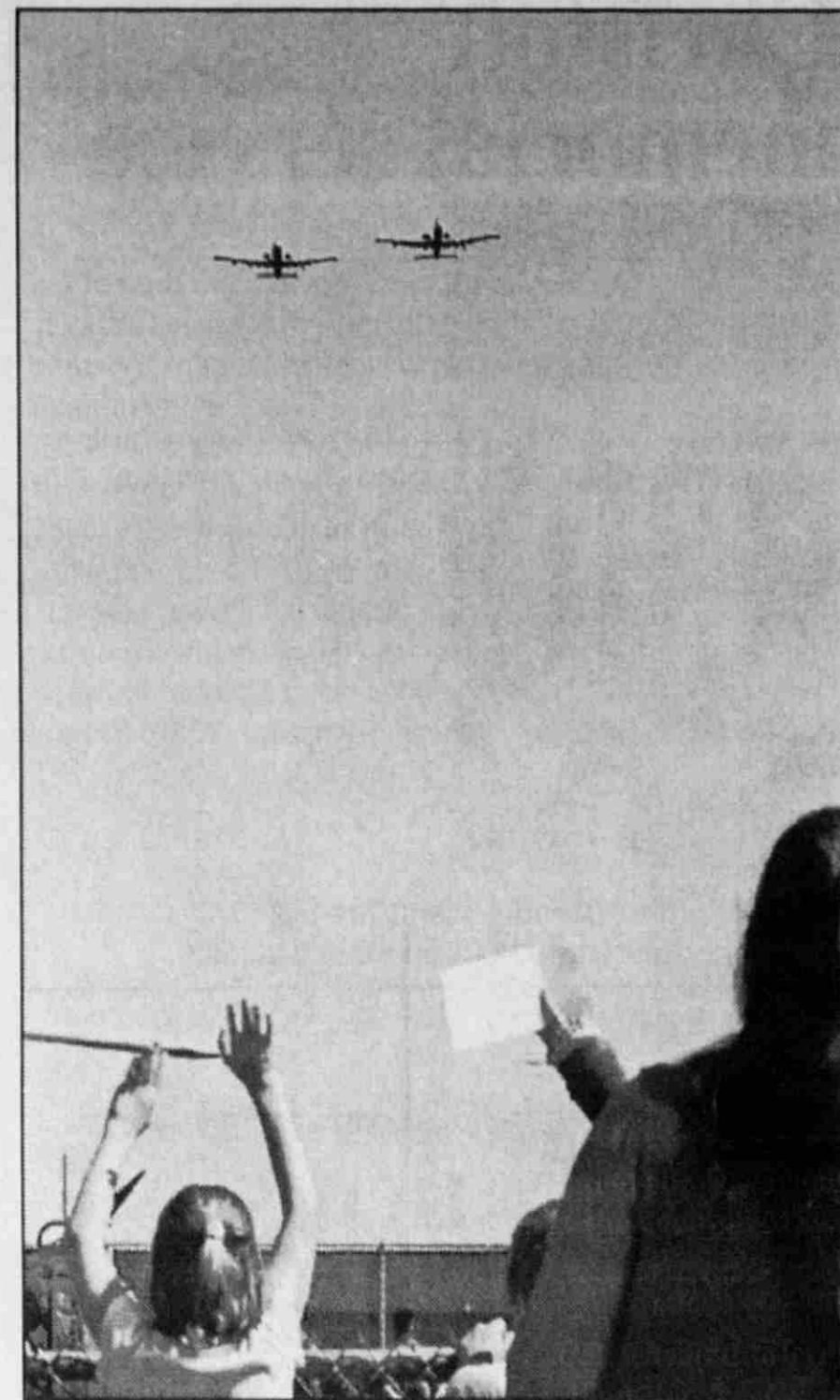
Part of the Northwest 1/4 commencing 814.24 feet North 0°23'42" West along West section line and 322.96 feet North 79°17'48" East and 200.0 feet North 12°19'06" West from West 1/4 corner of section, thence North 77°40'54" East 379.99 feet, thence South 12°19'06" East 140.0 feet to the Northerly line of Highway M-44 relocated, thence North 77°40'54" East along the Northerly line of said highway 413.94 feet, thence North 38°37'21" East 150.13 feet to the Southerly line of Old Belding Road, thence North 32°19'06" West along Southerly line of said road 83.46 feet, thence Northwesterly 317.75 feet along Southerly line of said road on a 448.22 foot radius curve to the left, the long chord of which bears North 52°37'38" West 311.14 feet, thence North 17°23'45" East 50.0 feet to centerline of Old Belding Road, thence North 72°56'10" West along said centerline 643.02 feet, thence South 0°38'06" West 645.88 feet to beginning, Section 15, Town 8 North, Range 9 West, Grattan Township, Kent County, Michigan.

All interested persons may attend the public hearing and comment on the requested special land use. Written comments concerning the application can be submitted to the Township office, at the above-stated address, up to the time of the public hearing.

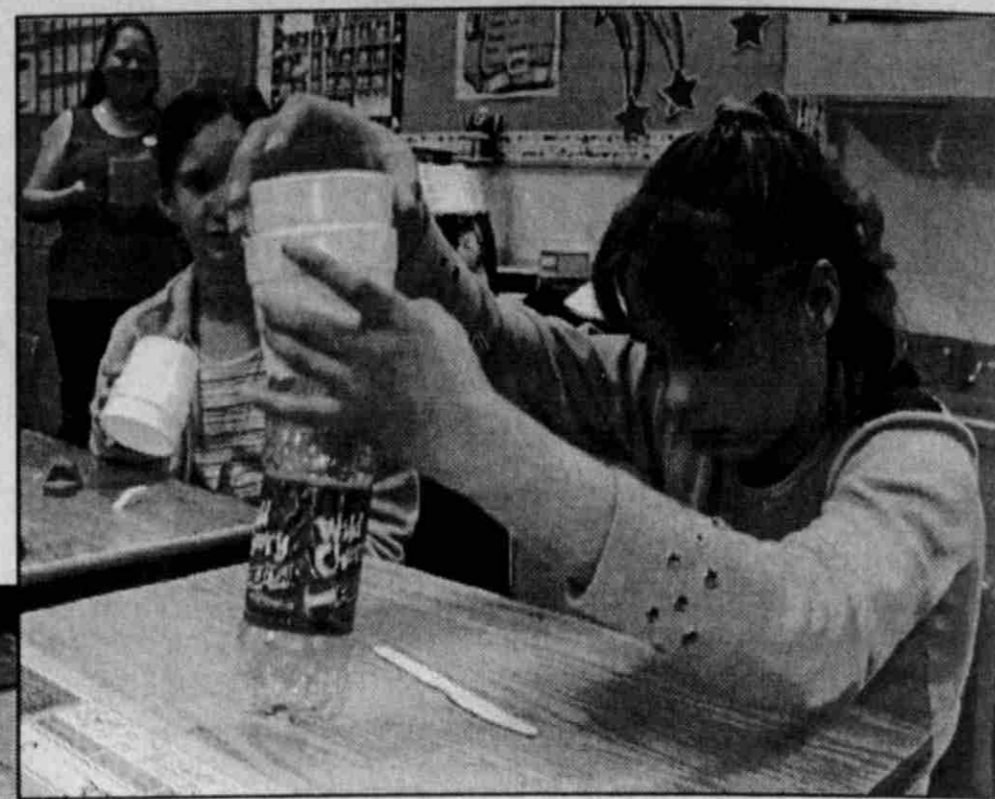
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PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN

Students reach for the skies on Aerospace Day



U.S. Army A-10 Warthogs, left, flew over Cherry Creek Friday morning during Aerospace Day.



At right, Cherry Creek student Sarah Reynolds uses a mock-up of a space-age end effector to pick up a pop bottle during Aerospace Day. A real end-effector is a high-tech tool NASA uses to pick up objects in space.



Fifth grader Kimberly Wright tries on a scale model of a space suit.

COLLEGE NEWS

Katie Akers, of Lowell, has been admitted to Central Michigan University's doctor of physical therapy degree program. The program is three years in length, and students receive extensive academic preparation and develop skills in examination, evaluation, diagnosis, prognosis and intervention. Akers is the daughter of Ken and Kathy Akers of Lowell.

Albion College has an-

nounced its dean's list for the spring 2004 semester.

From the Lowell area are William Harrison, Kelsey Scheider and Jennifer Wagner.

Students named to the dean's list must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above at the completion of the semester and must have at least three units in graded courses and a minimum of four units completed during the semester.

LMS student awarded Morse Society Scholarship

Nick Myaard, a student at Lowell Middle School, is the first recipient of the Benjamin Morse Middle School Academic Scholarship. The scholarship was established this year through the Lowell Area Historical Museum. The society disbanded this year, and \$1,000 of its remaining funds were used to set up the scholarship. The funds came from donations to the society which, for nine years, studied

American history in an after-school program and took trips to historically significant places.

"Benjamin Morse won the Medal of Honor at the Battle of the Wilderness in the Civil War so his name should be kept alive," said Jack Misner, the society's advisor and middle school teacher.

The scholarship is for \$100. Myaard will use his scholarship to attend "Mar-

keting, Finance, Economics and Business Camp" and a computer camp this summer at Calvin College. Myaard is a seventh grade honor student and former executive board member of the Benjamin Morse Society.

The museum plans to continue the scholarship for 20 years. Donations to the scholarship fund may be directed to the Lowell Area Historical Museum.

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1. Private Roads and Driveways. Section 3.29 of the Zoning Ordinance would be amended in its entirety to provide provisions regulating private roads and driveways. The amending ordinance includes provisions on private road permits; applications for such permits; design and construction requirements for private roads; approval standards for private roads; requirements on the maintenance and repair of private roads; procedures for the approval of private roads and inspections thereof; performance guarantees, permit fees, definitions, frontage requirement on private roads and other matters.

2. Site Plan Review. Chapter 17 of the Township Zoning Ordinance covering site plan review, would be amended in its entirety. The amending ordinance includes provisions on land uses requiring site plan review; procedures for applications for site plan review by the Planning Commission; the required contents and information to be included in a site plan including site data, access and circulation, landscaping, buildings and structures, utilities, drainage and other matters; standards under which site plans would be reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission; procedures for approval of changes in an approved site plan; the imposing of terms and conditions on site plan approval; time limitations for the commencement of construction under an approved site plan; performance guarantees and other provisions.

All interested persons may attend the public hearing and comment on the proposed amending ordinance. Written comments concerning the ordinance may be submitted to the Township office, at the above-stated address, up to the time of the public hearing.

Dated: May 24, 2004

PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN



CITY OF LOWELL/ WASTE MANAGEMENT

YARD WASTE PROGRAM FOR 2004

Yard waste pickup will be the same day as your recycling pickup.

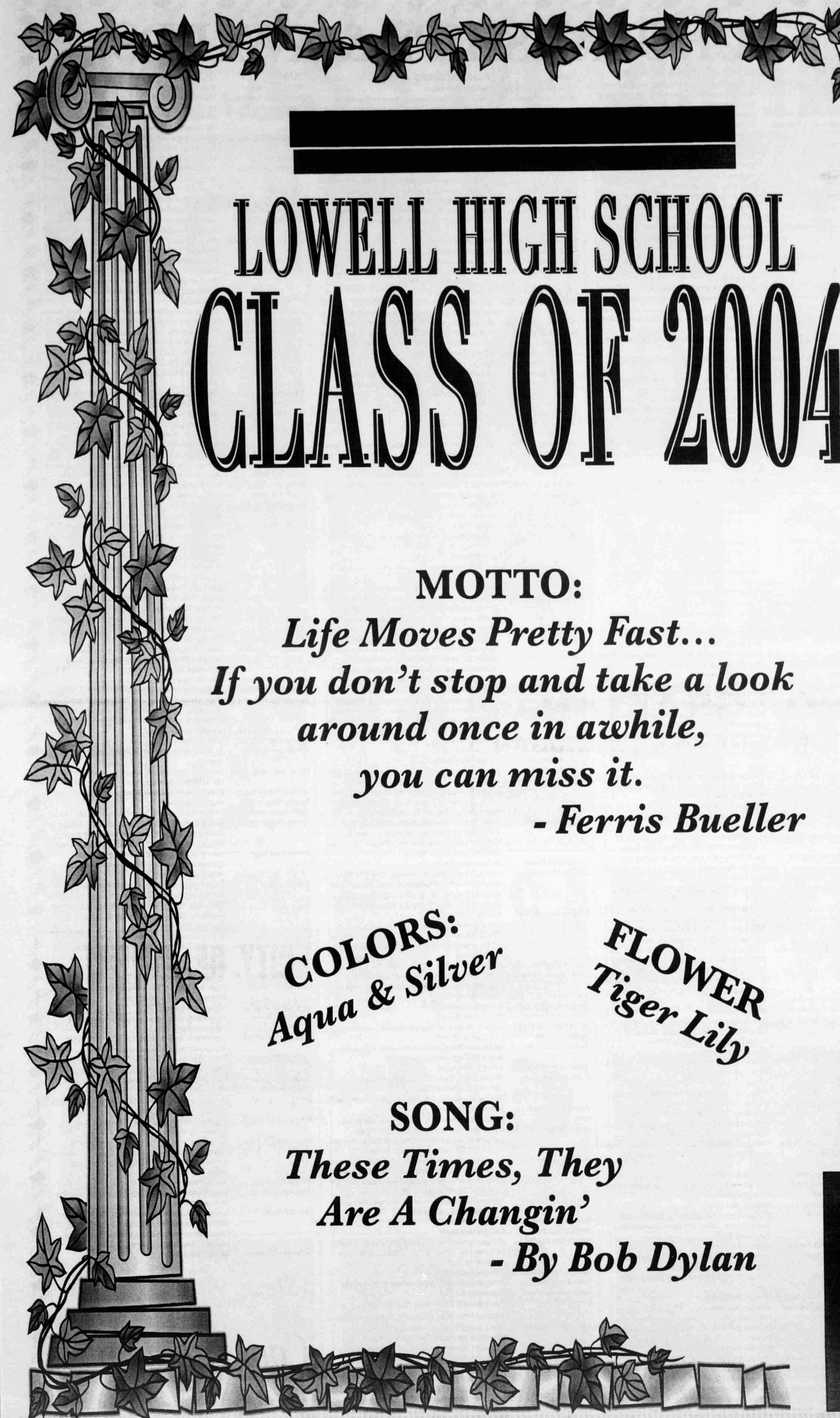
Tuesday Yard Waste Pickup Schedule

June 15 & 29; July 13 & 27; August 10 & 24; & September 7 & 21

Thursday Yard Waste Pickup Schedule

June 17; July 1, 15 & 29; August 12 & 26; & September 9 & 23

Bags are available at Ace Hardware, City Hall, Meijer & Springrove Variety.



LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2004

MOTTO:

*Life Moves Pretty Fast...
If you don't stop and take a look
around once in awhile,
you can miss it.*

- Ferris Bueller

COLORS:
Aqua & Silver

FLOWER
Tiger Lily

SONG:

*These Times, They
Are A Changin'*

- By Bob Dylan

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

NAME	SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS	NAME	SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS	NAME	SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS
Joshua George Abdo	Michigan Technological University Board of Control Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Michelle Dane Hucker	Michigan Merit Award	Christopher Palmer	Michigan Competitive Scholarship
Amanda Nicole Alexander	Lowell Womens Club Scholarship	Jack Lynn Halbeson	Grand Valley State University Award for Excellence, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Brian James Randolph	Michigan Merit Award
Joshua John Anderson	Indiana Tech University Partners in Success Academic Award, Indiana Tech University Athletic Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Jessica Ruey Hamp	Michigan Merit Award	Benjamin LeRoy Raymor	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete
Stacey Lynn Anderson	Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Ferris State University Residential Life Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award	Matthew John Hansen	Michigan Merit Award	Scott Remaley Riddle	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete
Audrey Nicole Bailey	Michigan Technological University Board of Control Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Sarah Elise Harmon	Michigan Merit Award	Charles Anthony Roelofs	Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award
Jacob Louis Baker	Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Daniel Theodore Harrison	Michigan Merit Award	Erin Nicole Rolle	Michigan Merit Award
Allison Rene Bault	Peter & Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship, Lowell Womens Club Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award	Eric William Hasso	Michigan Merit Award	Crystal LeAnna Flood	Aquinas College St. Thomas Aquinas Scholarship Award, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award
Heather Marie Becker	Carroll (Chris) and Helen Burch Memorial Scholarship, Stephen F. Idema Memorial Scholarship, Lowell Womens Club Scholarship, Peter & Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, Aquinas College Presidential Leadership Scholarship Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete, LHS Outstanding Female Athlete of the Year	Bryan Andrew Hoekstra	Michigan Merit Award	Lisa Ann Roth	Michigan Merit Award
Timothy John Beenen	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award	Zacharias Richard Horan	Michigan Merit Award	Kyle Thomas Rozema	Michigan Merit Award
Evangeline Marie Bender	Michigan Merit Award, Michigan Competitive Scholarship	Eric Edward Horford	Michigan Merit Award	Brian Anthony Scaturro	Michigan Merit Award
Andrew Charles Benedict	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Lynda Suzanne Horsley	Michigan Merit Award	Matthew Michael Schaefer	Michigan Merit Award
Aaron Jay Benmark	Michigan State University Alumni Distinguished Scholarship, Michigan State University Distinguished Freshman Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, MASSP and the Detroit Free Press Academic All-State Award, Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship	Stacey Lyn Hovey	Michigan Merit Award	Paul Schellenberger	Michigan Merit Award
Andrea Lynn Black	Michigan Merit Award	Jonathan Zachary Howard	Michigan Merit Award	Amy Soo Kim Scheller	Michigan Merit Award
David Randall Blair	Wynthes Medical Scholarship, Giff Renke Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete, Grand Rapids Press Superstar Senior Award	Nathan Charles Huisman	Michigan Merit Award	Benjamin Corbel Schloep	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award
Stephanie Ann Blanchard	Michigan Merit Award	Dana Lynn Ingebretson	Michigan Merit Award	Caitlin Amanda Searfoss	Michigan Merit Award
Melissa Jo Blatter	Michigan Merit Award	Andrew William Ingraham	Michigan Merit Award	James Edward Hale Scholarship, Lowell Womens Club Scholarship, The Ohio State University Buckeye Community Scholarship, Ferris State University Deans Scholarship, Ohio State University National Buckeye Plus Scholarship, The Ohio State University Alumni Club of West Michigan Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award	
Joseph Walter Blumm	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award	Andrew Steven Jusma	Michigan Merit Award	Jack Frost Design Scholarship, Ferris State University Residential Life Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	
Amy Marie Bogner	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award	Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Anna Marie Boruta	Michigan Merit Award	Holi Lynn Kaufman	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Amanda Jane Bouwkamp	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award	Ashley Danelle Kehoe	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Daniel Louis Brinks	Michigan Merit Award	Jacob Daniel Kenworthy	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Elizabeth Joy Brower	Grand Valley State University Trotter Tri-County Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Kacy Marie Kilgore	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Dustin James Burke	Michigan Merit Award	Jessica Marie Kincaid	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Zachary Ryan Butts	Michigan Merit Award	Kathryn Marie Klemish	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Heather Cadwallader	Lowell Womens Club Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award	Brian Edward Koehn	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Bradley Everett Calvi	Michigan Merit Award	Leslie Kay Koehn	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Elizabeth Suzanne Camp	Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award	Steven John Koning	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Kathryn Colleen Capps	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Andrea Louise Kropf	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Jamie Lynn Cardani	Central Michigan University Campus & Community Award, Michigan Merit Award	Patricia Charlene Leasure	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Cody J. Carr	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, Grand Rapids Police Department Joseph Taylor Scholarship	Christopher Robert Leach	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Renee Marie Catlin	Michigan Merit Award	Kristen Dawn Lee	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Marc Gavin Cauchi	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award	Benjamin Allen Lemke	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Jamie Margaret Clark	Spring Arbor University Provost Award, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award	Melissa Ann Liszewski	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Ashley Kay Claypool	David Dombak Memorial Visual Art Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award	Kaitlin Therese Lowande	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Christopher Edward Corlett	Grand Valley State University Award for Excellence, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award	Kristie Rae Luebe	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Jonathan Andrew Cosgrove	Michigan Merit Award	Daniel Robert Lyman	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Amanda Michelle Craig	Grand Rapids Community College Trustees Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, Aquinas College Presidential Leadership Scholarship Award	Jay Andrew MacDougal	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Helen Elizabeth Crimmins	Englehardt MSU Scholarship, Lowell Womens Club Scholarship, Lowell Education Association General Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, Grand Rapids Press Superstar Senior Award	Kristen Elizabeth Maki	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Christopher Lee Curtis	Michigan Merit Award	Clayton Glen Marvel	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Ryan Andrew Dattena	Michigan Merit Award	Anthony Michael Mauric	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
James Aloysius DeLelde	Gary Rivers Scholarship, Grand Rapids Community College Distinguished Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Tabitha Lee Micah May	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Tera Lynn DesJarden	Michigan Merit Award	David Gordon Maylone	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Ann Marie Didon	Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Heather Marie McCreedy	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Patrick King Doyle	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Jeffrey Bodeau McPherson	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Nicholas Andrew Duley	Michigan Technological University Board of Control Scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Samantha Marie Mendez	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Ryan Benjamin Dykhouse	Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Macey Leigh Mikesell	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Thomas Richard Eldridge	Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Daniel Robert Miller	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Nancy Renee Elmer	Lowell Womens Club Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award	Daniel Ryan Miller	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Jennifer Kelly Emser	Michigan Merit Award	Andrew Thomas Min	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Heather Nicole Essich	Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Megan Jean Mingenkin	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Claire J. Evans	Michigan Merit Award	Colin Jay Moore	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Jared Alan Felling	Michigan Merit Award	Ryan Michael Moore	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Jamie Marie Fink	Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Michigan Merit Award, Aquinas College Monsignor Bukowski Honor Scholarship Award	Sean Daniel Myers	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
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Chelsea Renee Gannon	Michigan Merit Award	Kelsey Lynn O'Brien	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
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Timothy Ryan Geldersma	Michigan Merit Award	Derek Richard Offenbacher	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
Derik William Germond	Michigan Merit Award	Dustin Scott Osborne	Michigan Merit Award, OK Conference Scholar Athlete	Michigan Merit Award	
Stacy Lynn Grasman	Michigan Merit Award	Daniel Edward Palasek	Michigan Merit Award	Michigan Merit Award	
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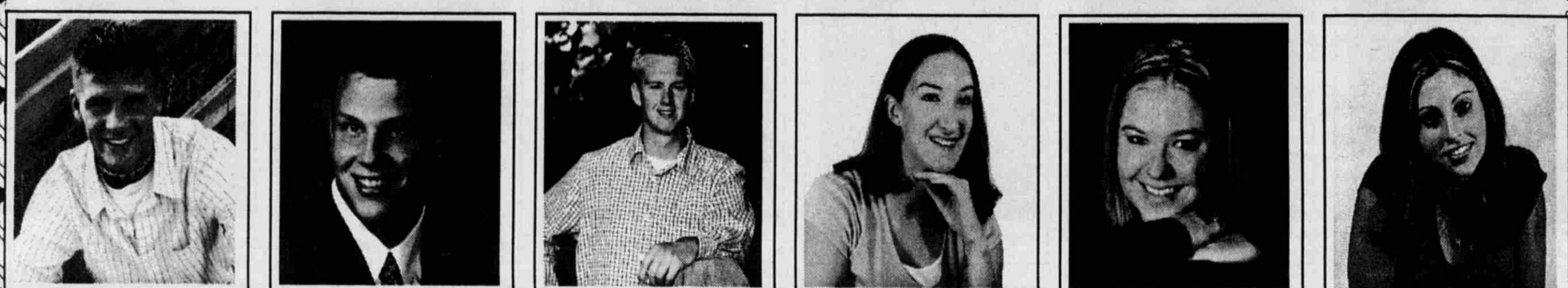
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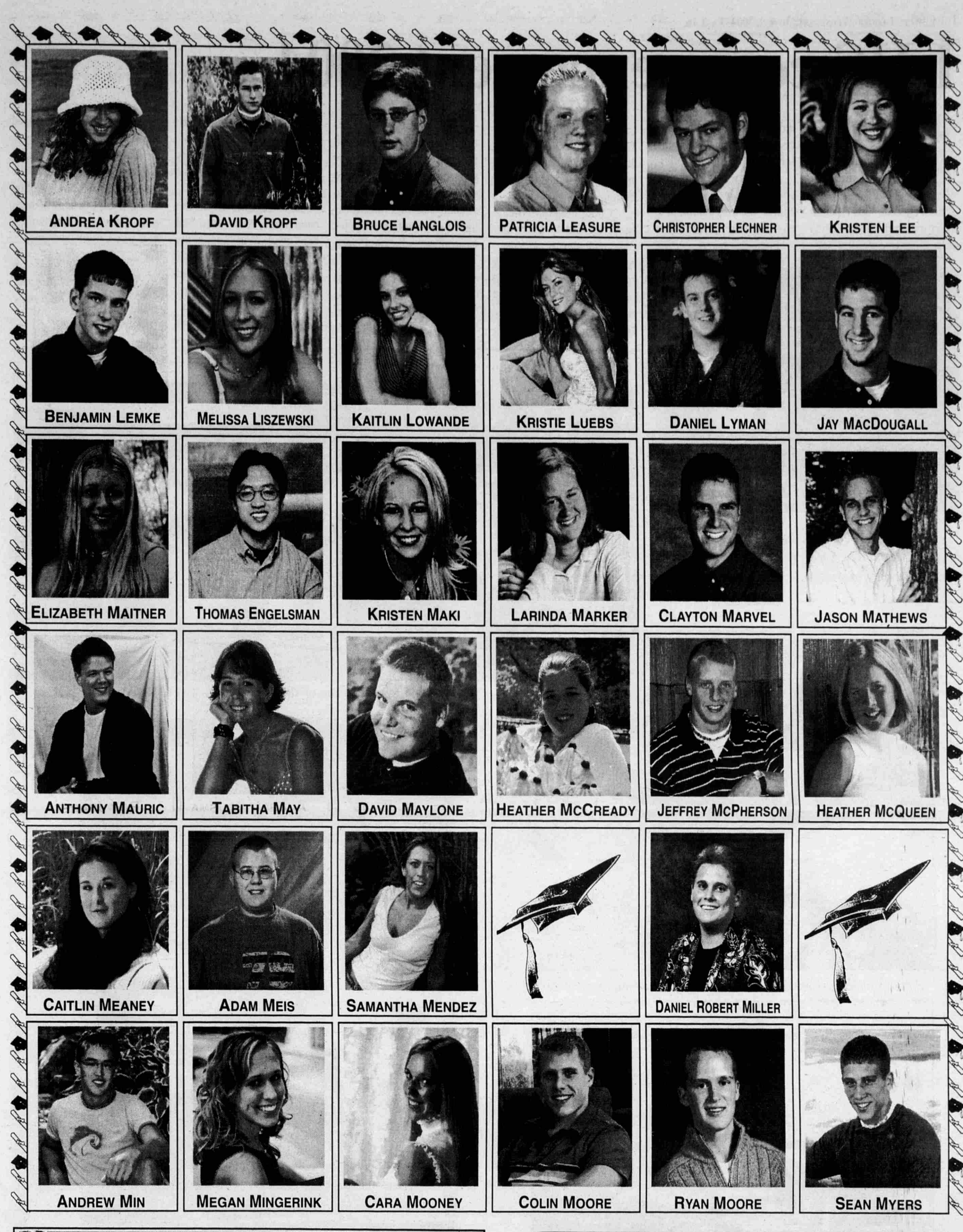
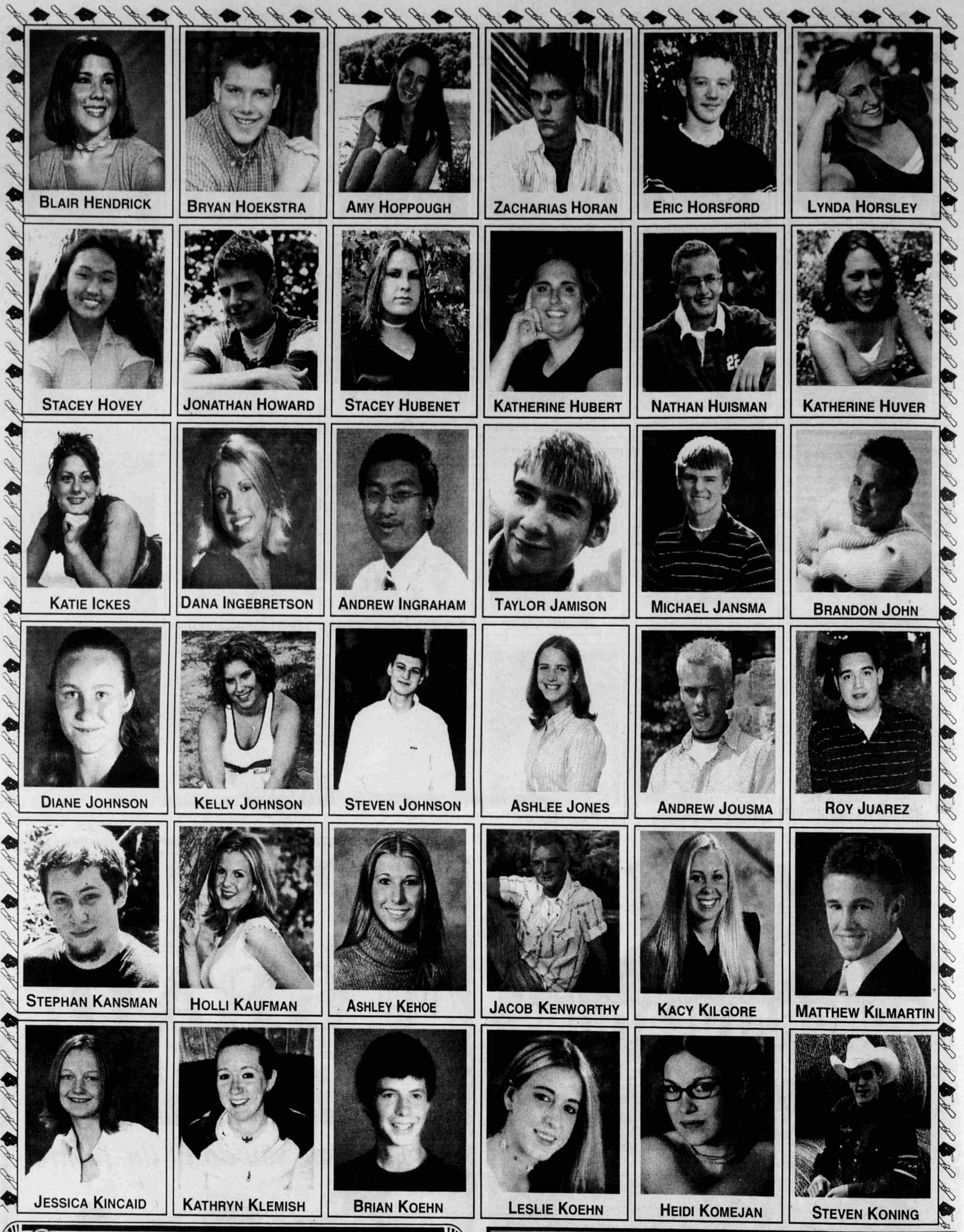
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LHS commencement 2004

By Dan Schneider

Family, friends and well-wishers of the Lowell High School class of 2004 filled to overflowing the home stands at Red Arrow Stadium, Sun-

day. It was the 126th annual commencement for the high school.

The day was marked by speeches, music and, of course, the distribution of diplomas to the graduating seniors.

Senior class president Tom Eldridge gave his introduction in pantomime as his pre-recorded thoughts echoed from the PA system.

"Congratulations, thank you," he said to the senior class in closing.

The senior musicians joined the Lowell High School band for one final performance playing James Swearingen's "Exaltation."

When Scott Vashaw became principal, he instituted the Principal's Award. Every year since then, it has gone to students who showed strength, courage and fortitude in overcoming obstacles during their high school years.

"This year the Principal's Award is going to be renamed in honor of last year's recipient, Rachel Penninga," Vashaw said. "For the first

time it will be known as that as long as I am here."

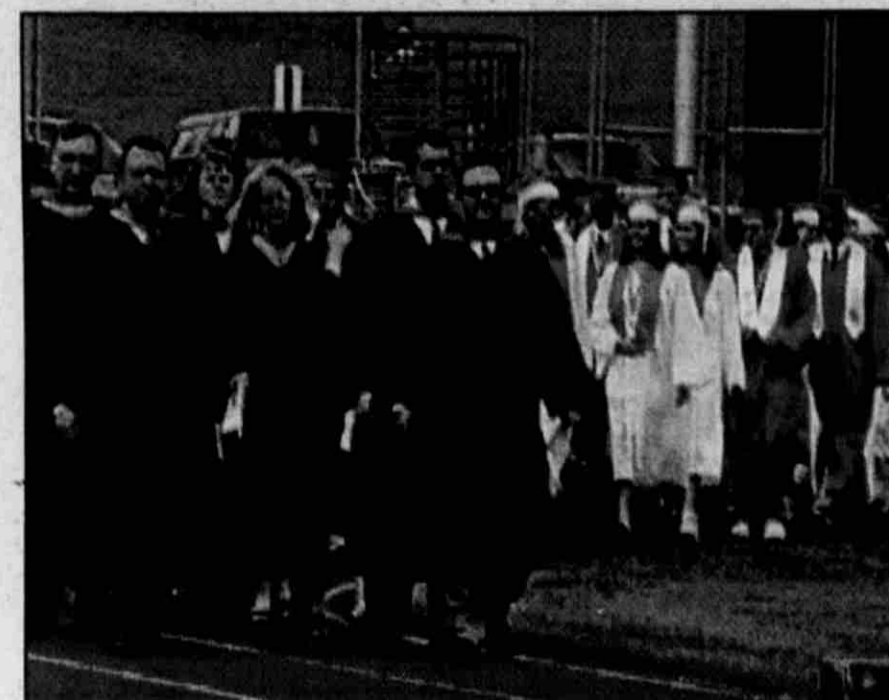
Penninga died tragically in a car accident earlier this year.

The recipients of the newly-dedicated award had been given certificates at the Senior Honors night. Vashaw recognized Dustin Burke and Ben Lemke once again during the commencement exercises.

Five speakers addressed the class of 2004.

Co-salutatorian Helen Crimmins spoke about the voice of the senior class. She said the experiences of high school seasoned their voices and gave them reasons to speak.

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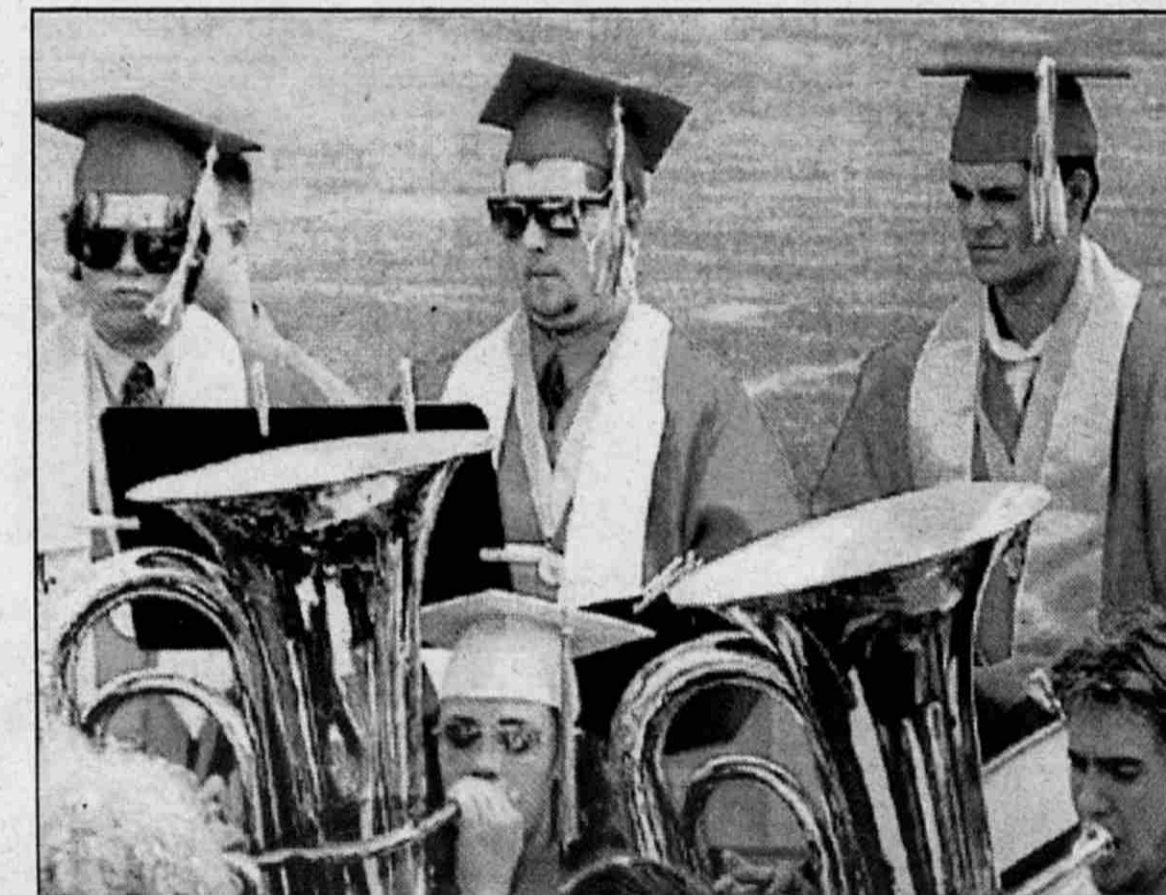
Lowell High School faculty led the graduating class of 2004 to Red Arrow Stadium Sunday for the commencement exercises.



Graduates of the class of 2004 make their way to Red Arrow Stadium.



Senior musicians joined the LHS band for one last number Sunday.



Class of 2005 president-elect Rebekah Woods accepted the spade from class of 2004 president Tom Eldridge in the LHS traditional passing of the spade.



Left, David Blair talked about high school as "inspiration" in his valedictorian speech.

Graduation, continued...

"Now when we open our mouths to say something, power, energy and potential pour out," Crimmins said.

The speech given by co-salutatorian Jacqueline Vos focused on finding balance in life. Vos explained she struggled with this during her years in high school, spending too much time hitting the books and not enough time doing other things like sports. So she urged her classmates to "stop and smell the roses" and to "be the generation that deviates" from society's ethos of constant work.

"Learn to live without regrets because as we all experience today, you can't relive the past," she said.

Valedictorian David

Blair's speech was about high school being inspirational by virtue of the wide range of experiences it provides. These range from academic to social, he said, and touch on many aspects of life. All students can look back on high school for inspiration... even those who did not enjoy high school can aspire to better experiences, he said.

Lowell Area Schools superintendent Shari Miller echoed Vos's message, urging seniors to live each day to the fullest. She urged the graduates to stay close to family throughout life.

A new feature of the 2004 commencement exercises was the addition of a senior speaker. Vashaw explained

the senior address was to give a graduate the opportunity to speak to the class based on his/her ability as a speaker. Students gave speeches before a panel in a contest to determine who would speak.

Caitie Searfoss won the honor. The basis of her speech was the TV show "Friends." She used the six main characters' success, despite obstacles, as metaphors for overcoming hurdles. She said graduation is a "clean slate" from which to start building life, but it is important to keep in touch with friends along the way.

"True friends will always be there, we just need to reach out," Searfoss said.

There were reminders at

the ceremony of tragedy the senior class had faced during its high school years. Two seats were left empty among the graduates. They were for Keith Krey and Brett Taylor, members of the class of 2004 who died in a car accident in the fall of 2002.

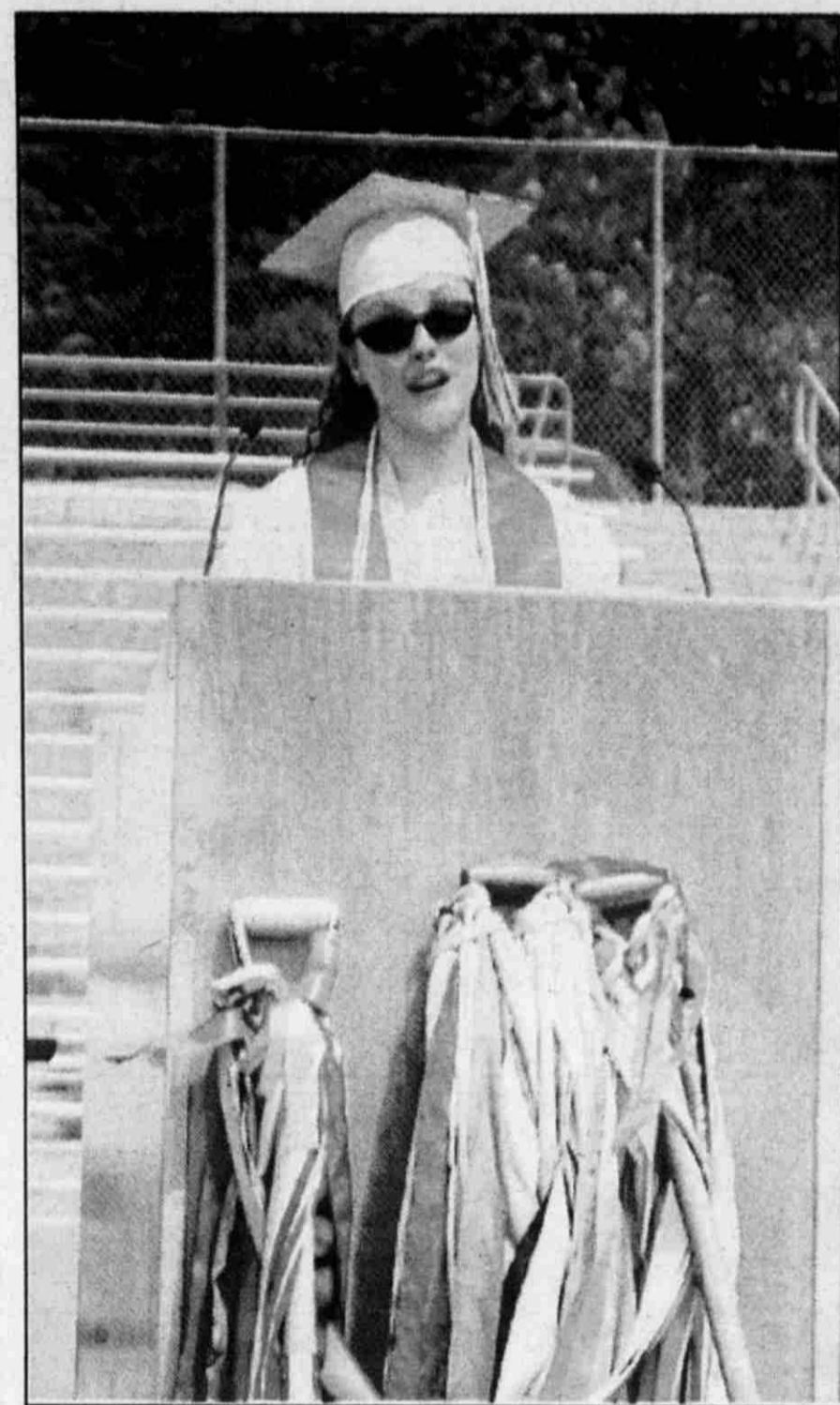
There was also a sign of triumph. Josh Soyka, a member of the 2003 LHS graduating class, was badly injured in a car accident shortly before graduation. The accident left him in a wheelchair for his commencement and unable to remember the events of his graduation day. So this year, able to walk and remember, he was given a symbolic diploma.

Diplomas were then pre-

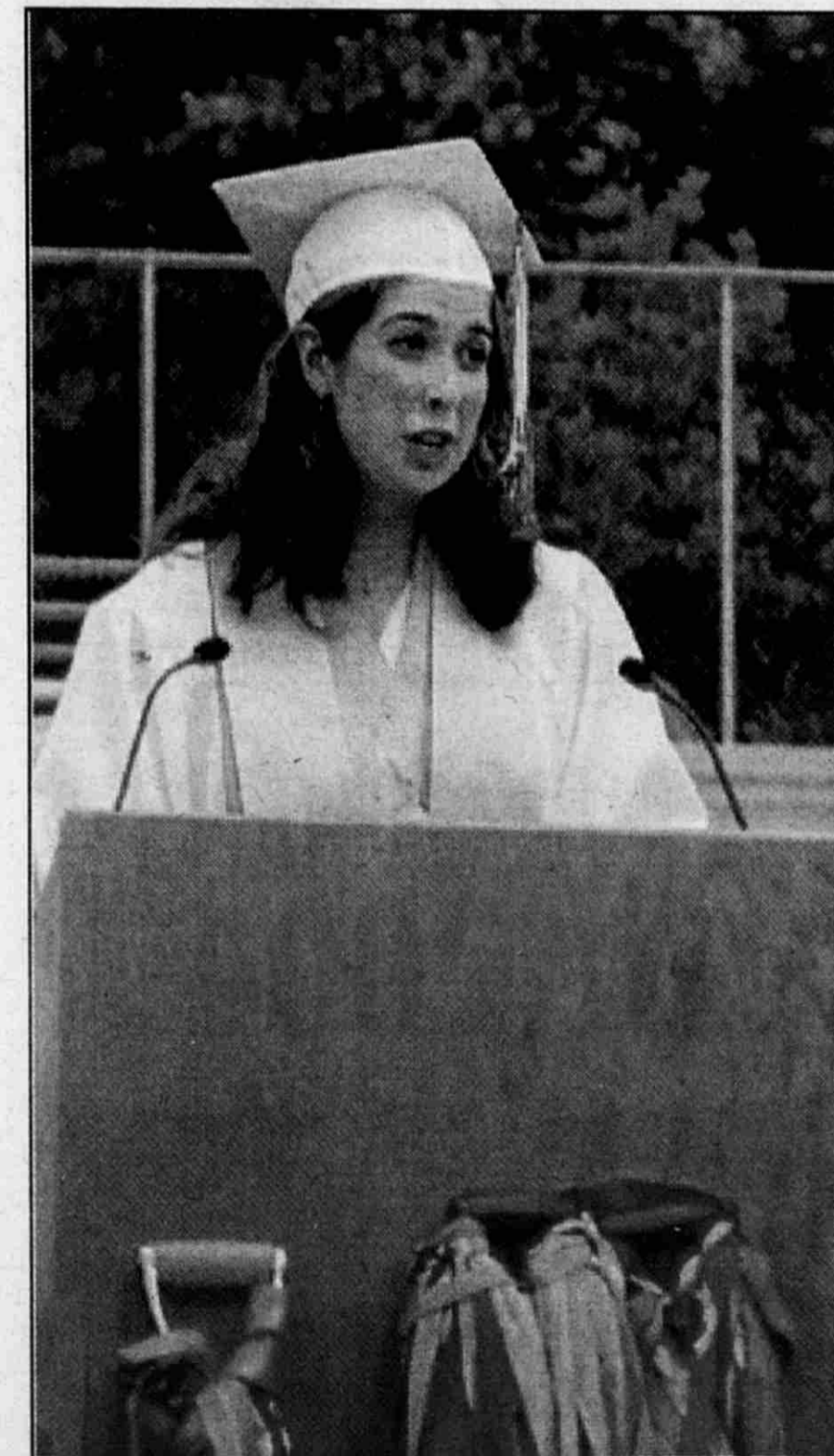
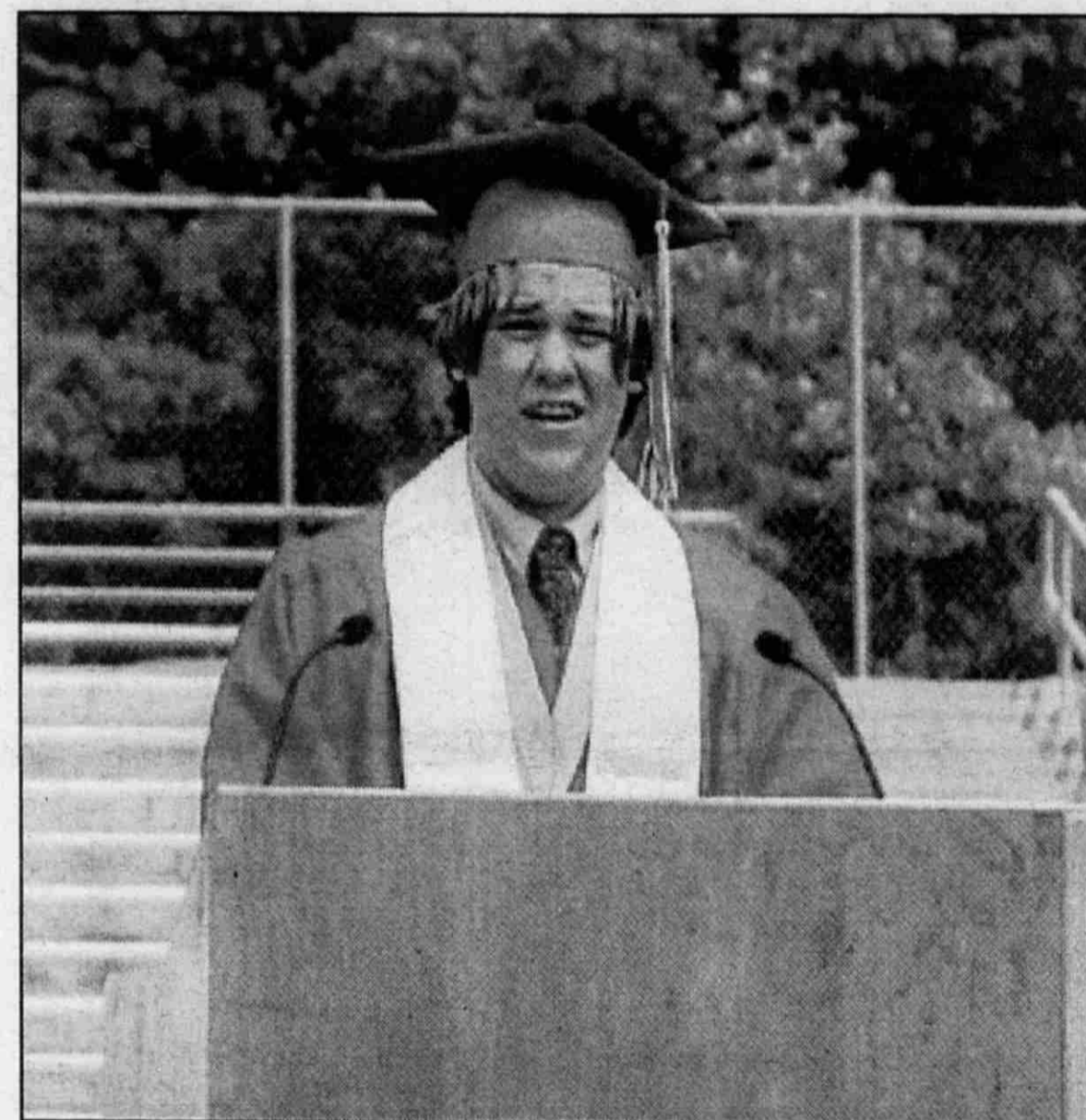
sented to the senior class of 2004.

Eldridge made the traditional passing of the spade to the president-elect of the class of 2005, Rebekah Woods.

Following Vashaw's formal presentation to the class of 2004, the graduates threw their hats in the air and prepared to face the future.



At right, graduating senior Caitie Searfoss won a speech contest for the honor of addressing her class as senior speaker. This is the first year Lowell High School has had a senior speaker.




Co-salutatorian Jacqueline Vos urged her fellow graduates to live life to the fullest.



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Lowell High School Class of 2004


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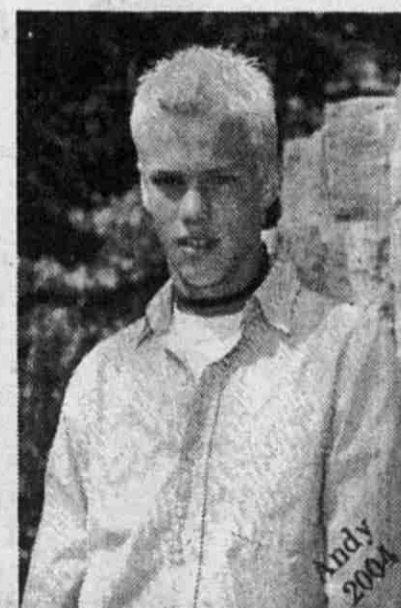
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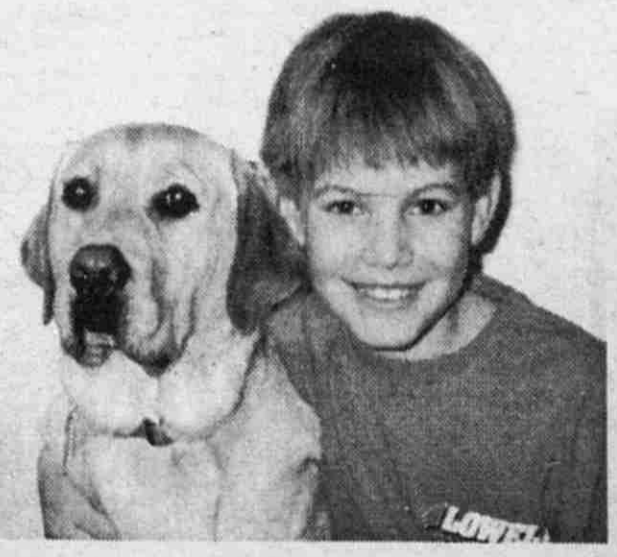
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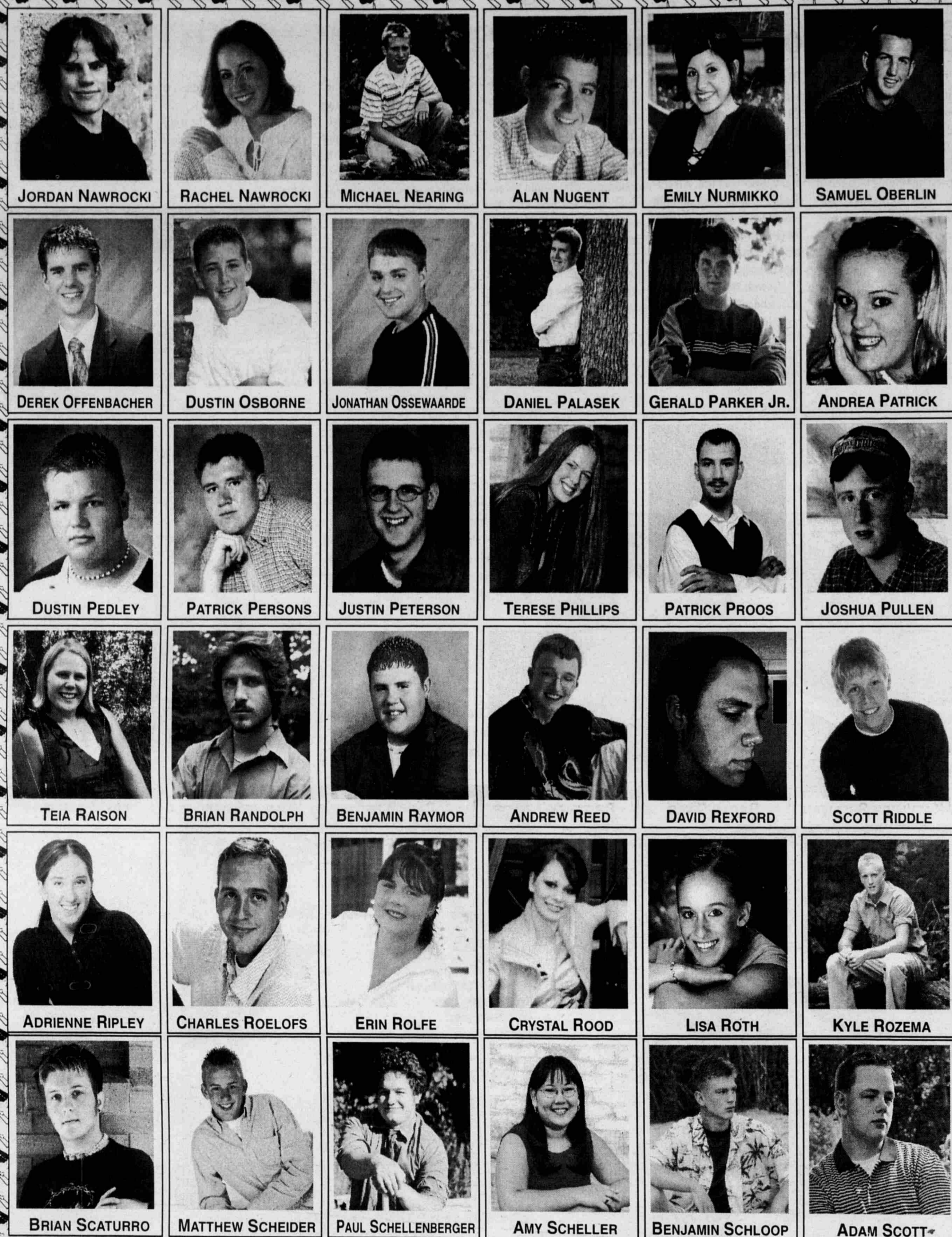


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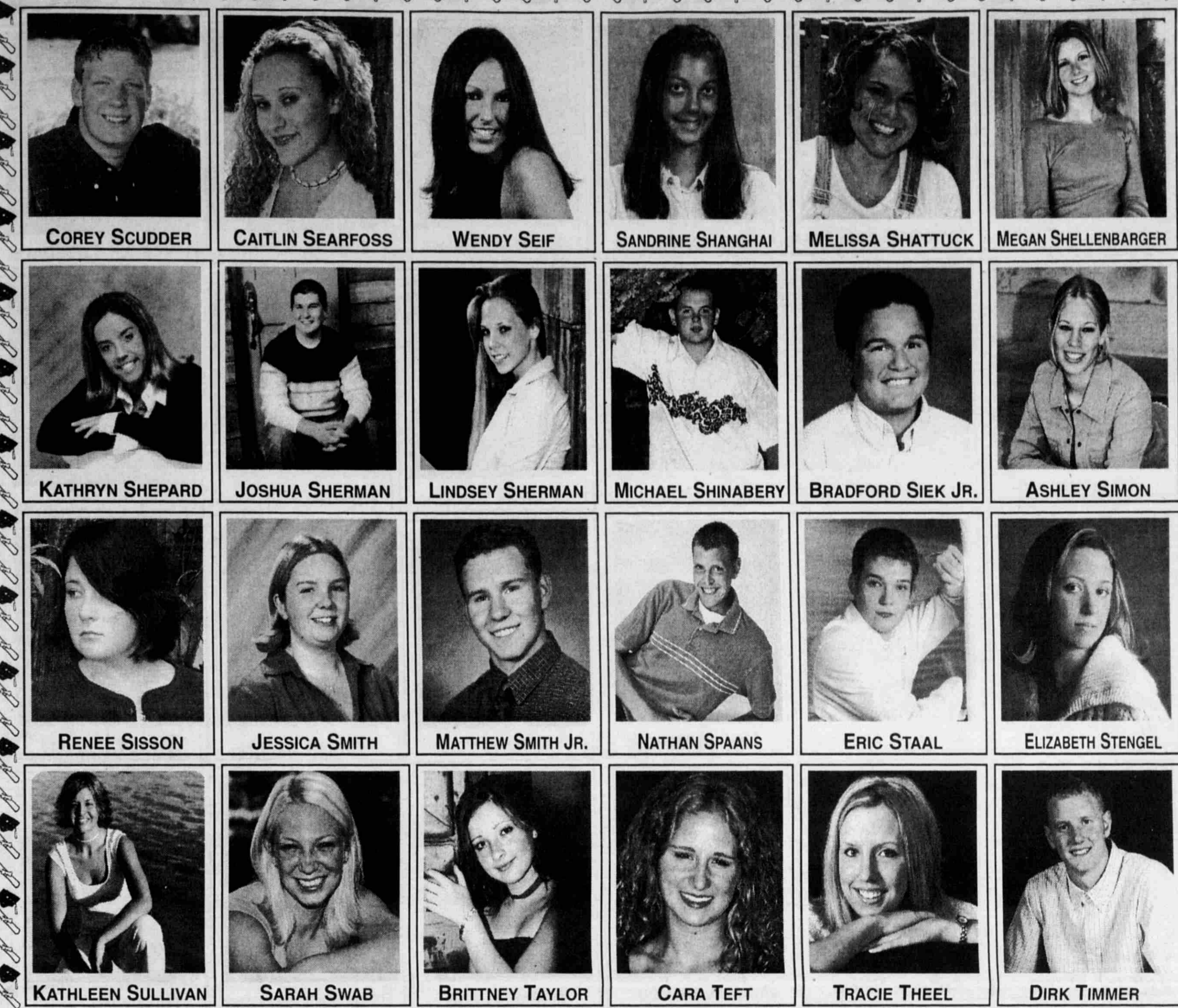
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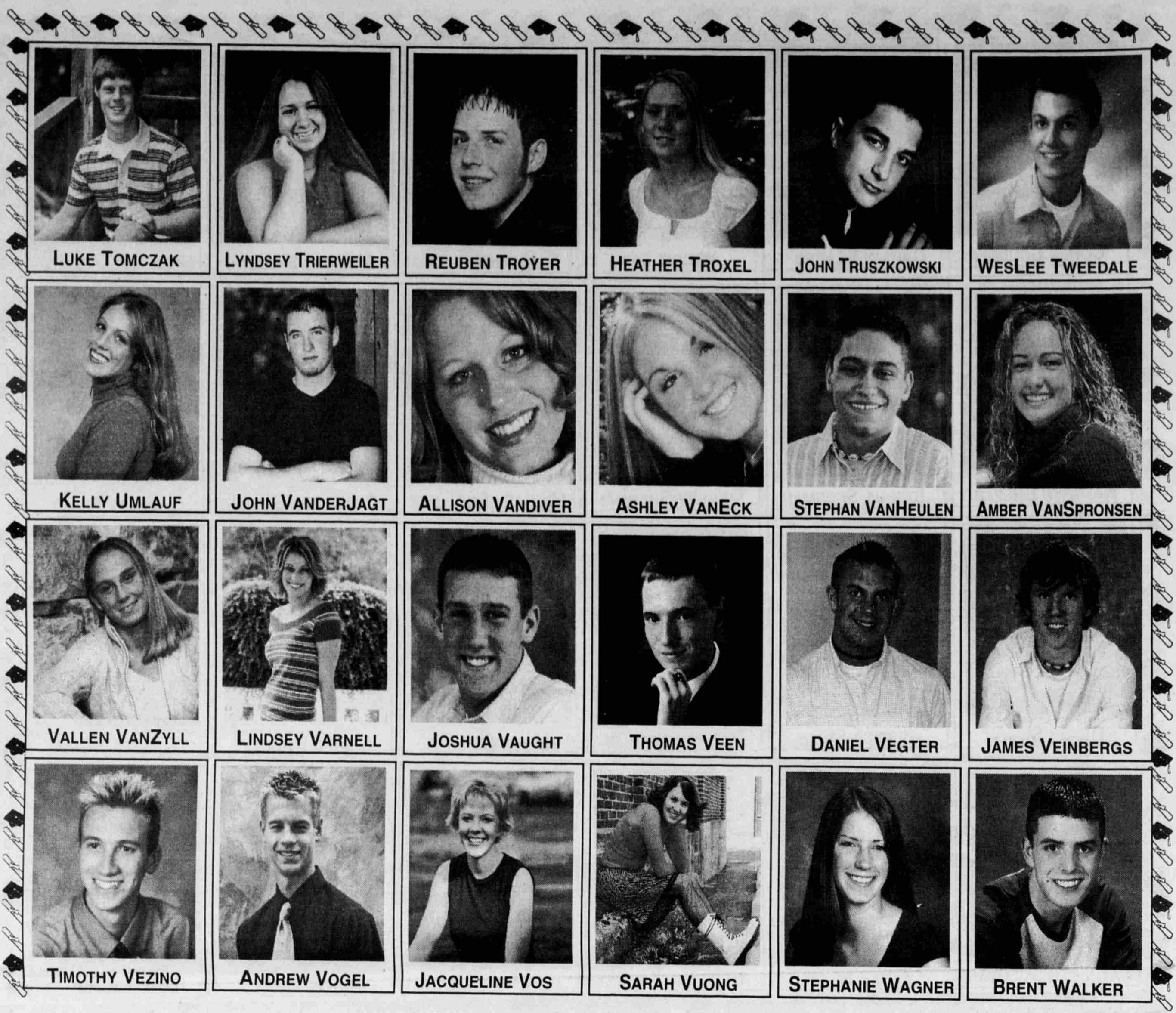
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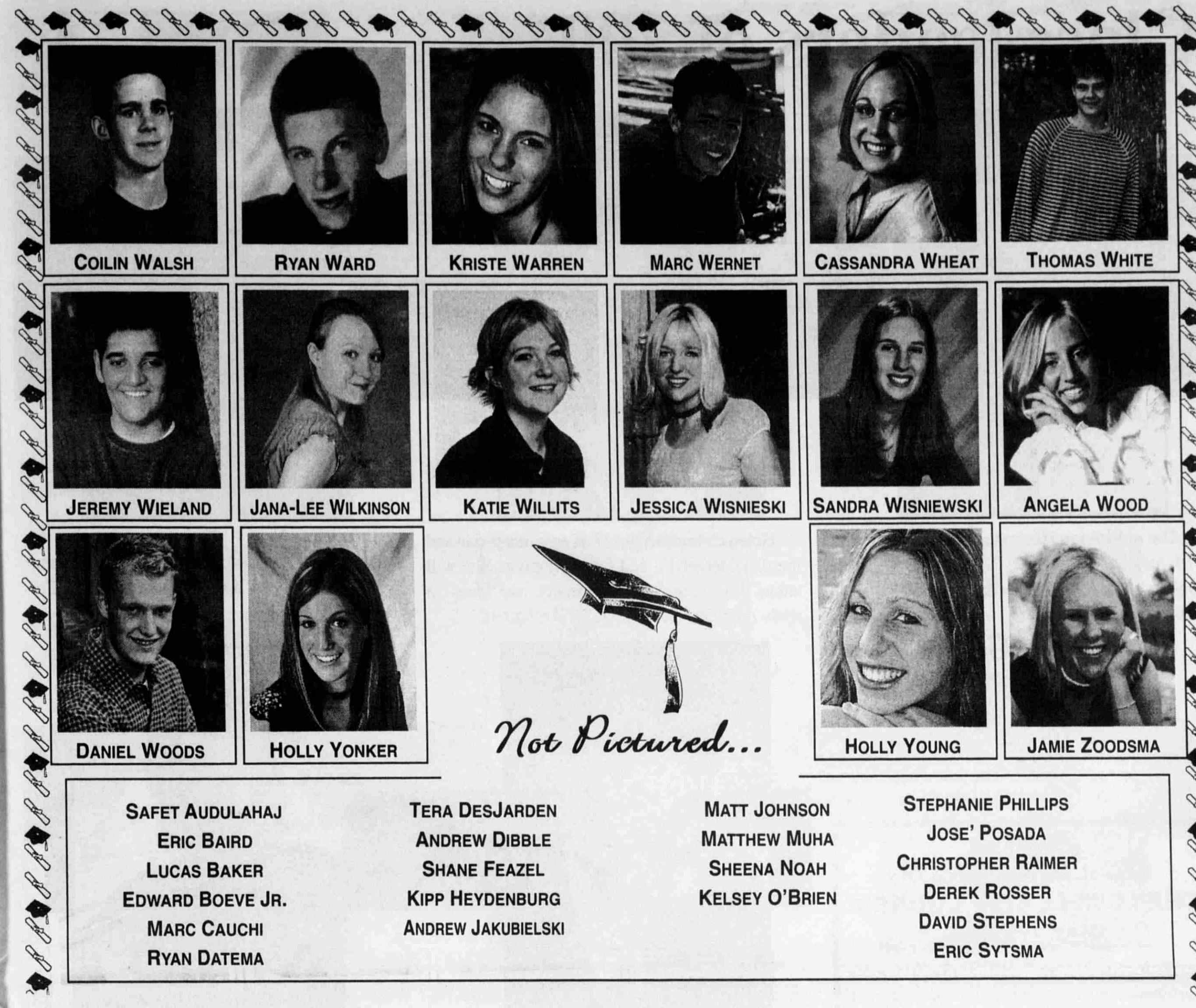
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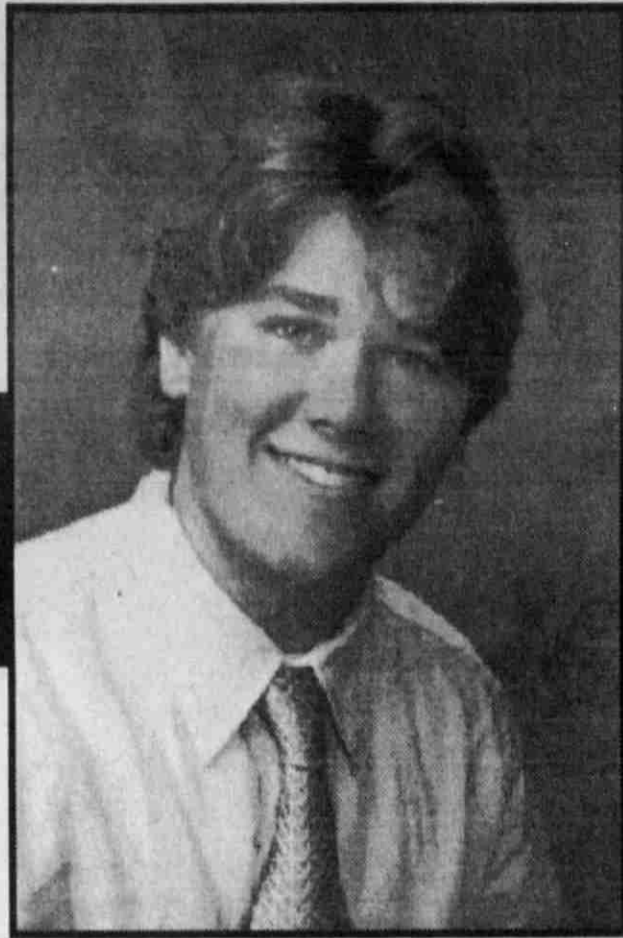
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Class leaders of 2004



David Blair, 4.276, is the valedictorian and son of James and Linda Blair. He will study molecular biology and pre-medicine at the University of Michigan.



Helen Crimmins, 4.137, is co-salutatorian and the daughter of Ed and Sue Crimmins. She will attend Michigan State University and plans to study political science and social relations.



Jacqueline Vos, 4.137, is co-salutatorian and the daughter of Tom and Karol Wareck and Clarence Vos. She will attend Anderson University or Cornerstone University.



SYNOPSIS REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOWELL CITY COUNCIL MAY 17, 2004

Minutes of the May 3, 2004 meeting were approved as corrected and the accounts payable were approved.

The 2004 - 2005 Budget for the City of Lowell was presented and the first of two public hearings was held.

The following motionw were made:

- Motion to grant four variances to reduce the lot sizes by 1.25 feet per lot at 885, 875, 855 and 845 N. Jefferson.

Yea: Zoning Boardmembers Hodges and Shores.

Nay: Zoning Boardmember Mathews and Chairman Pfaller.

Absent: Zoning Boardmember Myers.
Tie Vote. Motion died.

- Motion to approve the fireworks display at Stoney Lakeside Park on Saturday, July 10, 2004. Motion carried.

- Motion to accept the transfer of the liquor license from Fifth Third Bank to Century Post Incorporated to be located at 203 East Main Street. Motion carried.

- Motion to approve the basic cable rate increase of \$2.00 bringing the cable rate to \$31.60 a month effective July 1, 2004. Motion carried.

- Motion to adjourn at 8:38 p.m. The next Regularly Scheduled Meeting will be on Monday, June 7, 2004.

Complete minutes are available at Lowell City Hall, 301 East Main Street, Lowell, Michigan.

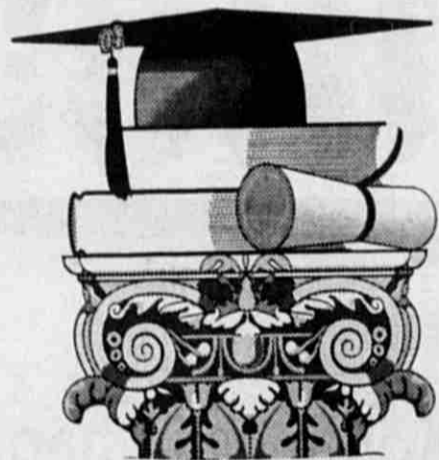
Betty R. Morlock, City Clerk
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Christopher Lechner, 4.116, is the son of Elizabeth Cosmos. He is undecided as to the choice of college but has plans to study pre-law.



Aaron Benmark, 4.076, will be attending Michigan State University to study pre-optometry. He is the son of Rusty and Teresa Benmark.



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Colin Moore, 4.062, is the son of Glenn and Jill Moore. He will be studying computer science and engineering at Michigan Tech University.



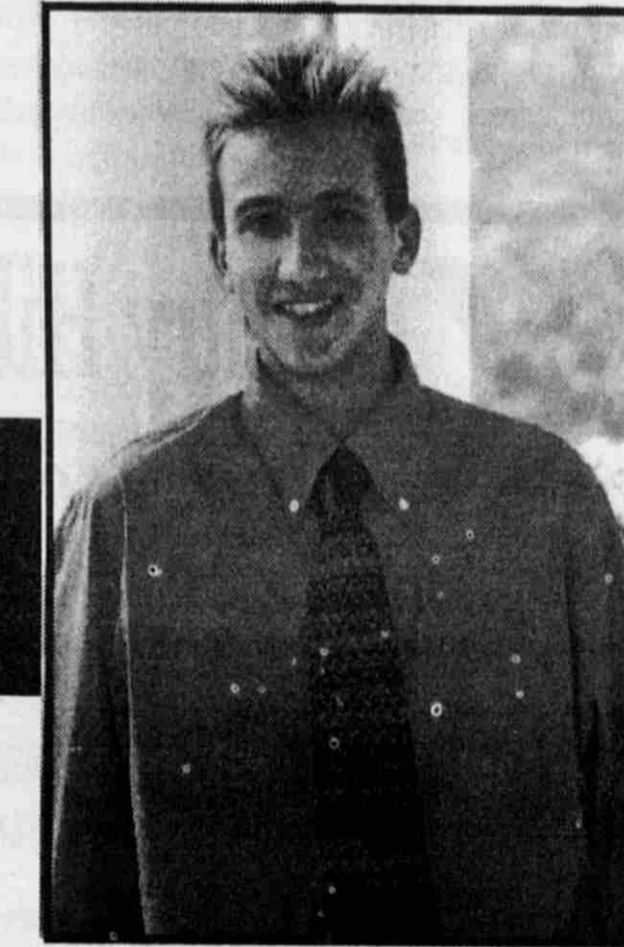
Kelly Umlauf, 4.032, will be attending Tri-State University to study medicine. She is the daughter of John and Theresa Umlauf.



Katie Willits, 4.030, plans to study social work and will be attending Grand Rapids Community College. She is the daughter of Paul and Chris Willits.



Charles Roelofs, 4.025, will be attending Hillsdale College to study political science. He is the son of Steve and Anita Roelofs.



Timothy Vezino, 4.025, plans to study civil or industrial operational engineering at the University of Michigan. He is the son of Jay and Sara Vezino.



Kristen Lee, 3.998, will be attending Anderson University in Indiana to study broadcast journalism. She is the daughter of John and Carol Lee.

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ADOPTED AMENDMENTS TO
PRIVATE ROAD ORDINANCE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Vergennes Township Board has adopted amendments to the Vergennes Township Private Road Ordinance, 202.000, at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board on Monday, May 17, 2004. A synopsis of the adopted amendments is as follows:

1. Driveways for lots located on the corner of a public and a private road shall be required to use access from the private road unless topography prohibits, there are existing homes, or the Kent County Road Commission prohibits.
2. Regardless of whether they are paved or not, private roads had been separated by two standards: a 16 foot wide road / 2 foot shoulders for 3 and 4 lots and 22 foot wide road / 4 foot shoulders for 5-19 lots. In order to eliminate the many problems associated with these separate standards, the standards have been changed to combine the lot numbers from 3-19 and to set a standard of an 18 foot wide road with 3 foot shoulders. The first 100 feet of the road must be 22 feet for vehicle turning and stacking. The cul de sac standard will remain at an 80 foot diameter.
3. In order to provide visual safety and emergency vehicle access, the area in which the private road is to be located must be maintained at a minimum cleared width of twenty-eight feet and a minimum trimmed height of fifteen feet.

The complete text of the adopted ordinance amendments is on file in the offices of the Township Clerk at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, PO Box 208, Lowell, MI 49331; Phone: (616) 897-5671 [fax 897-5674]. The amendments are also posted on the township website at www.vergennestwp.org.

Mari Stone, Vergennes Township Clerk

Personal Financial Management Tips for the Graduate

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Graduation time is upon us and what an exciting time it is. New jobs, new relationships, new opportunities, and new obligations await them. As a parent, it's hard to resist offering advice gleaned from years of experience. Some of the most valuable advice concerns personal financial management. Here are a few tips for the new graduate about to embark upon a career.

Tip #1 Create a Budget, Cash Flow Projection, and Net Worth Statement

Chances are, this is the first time in their lives they have a regular income and are responsible for payment of their own expenses.

First, show them how to set up a monthly budget that lists every item of income and expense. Income items include salary and interest and

dividends from investments you or their grandparents have given them. Expenses like rent, utilities, food, clothing, parking, gas, entertainment, education loan repayment, and taxes.

Once everything is netted out, they'll be surprised to see how little is actually left over. Just seeing the hard reality of the numbers on paper can be a sobering experience.

Once a budget is developed, the next step is to help your son or daughter create a cash flow projection over a reasonable period of time like six months or a year. Basically, all that is involved is extrapolating the budget over several months. Total the income expected for the period and net it against anticipated expenses.

A net worth statement sets forth an individual's assets and liabilities. The difference is

referred to as net worth. Most new grads have few assets early on, but may have significant liabilities due to college loans. Explain the link between the budget, the cash flow projection, and the balance sheet.

Another lesson concerns the nature of the assets that make up one's net worth. Help your new grad understand the distinction between wasting assets and assets with growth and income potential. Most consumer items are wasting assets—their value drops the minute you drive them off the lot or take them off the shelf. Financial assets like stocks and bonds, over time, are more likely to hold their value and even appreciate in value.

Tip #2 Create an Emergency Fund

Hindsight reveals that life is full of surprises. Some of them are good, some we'd

just as soon forget about. Once your son or daughter has a budget and a cash flow projection, they are in a position to put some cash aside for emergencies—most experts recommend three to six months salary.

This cash should be in a savings or money market account where it earns competitive interest, but is readily available and is not subject to the fluctuations of the equities market.

Tip #3 Reduce Debt

Even before they're out of college, most students learn to use a credit card. One of the best gifts you can give a new graduate is to pay off their credit card debt, so they start with a clean slate. Credit cards should only be used for emergencies by people who have not accumulated an emergency fund or for convenience by people who have adequate

income and net worth to pay off the balance monthly without impacting their other financial objectives.

Beyond controlling credit card debt, your new graduate should make a concerted effort to pay off college loans before incurring new debt.

Tip #4 Insure Risks

About the last thing most young people want to spend money on is insurance. But, because they have little or no net worth and limited income, they can ill afford to be without it. Help them find a reliable insurance agent who advises them on renter's and car insurance. Point them in the direction of a financial professional who can help them with disability and life insurance. Sounds stodgy, but disability can strike anyone at any time, and life insurance is never cheaper than when one is young and healthy. For a

modest additional outlay, a new graduate can buy a rider that guarantees them the right to buy additional life and disability insurance in the future without medical underwriting.

Tip #5 Start Saving for Retirement
If there is anything left after creating an emergency fund, reducing debt, and buying insurance, it should be used to start saving for retirement.

This is especially true if an employer offers a Section 401(k) plan that matches employee contributions. It's too good of a deal to pass up, and it's never too soon to start. As life expectancies increase and as medical care improves, it's likely that more and more people will live longer during their retirement years than those who are currently entering into retirement. Who's going to pay for that?

Education Foundation holds 1st annual all-alumni gathering

The Lowell Education Foundation hosted the 1st annual all alumni gathering at Lowell High School on Saturday, May 29. Nearly 200 alumni and guests were greeted by locally owned his-

toric vehicles at the school's entrance.

George Lessens, class of 1975 and chief meteorologist for WZZM TV13, served as master of ceremonies. Shari Miller, superintendent of

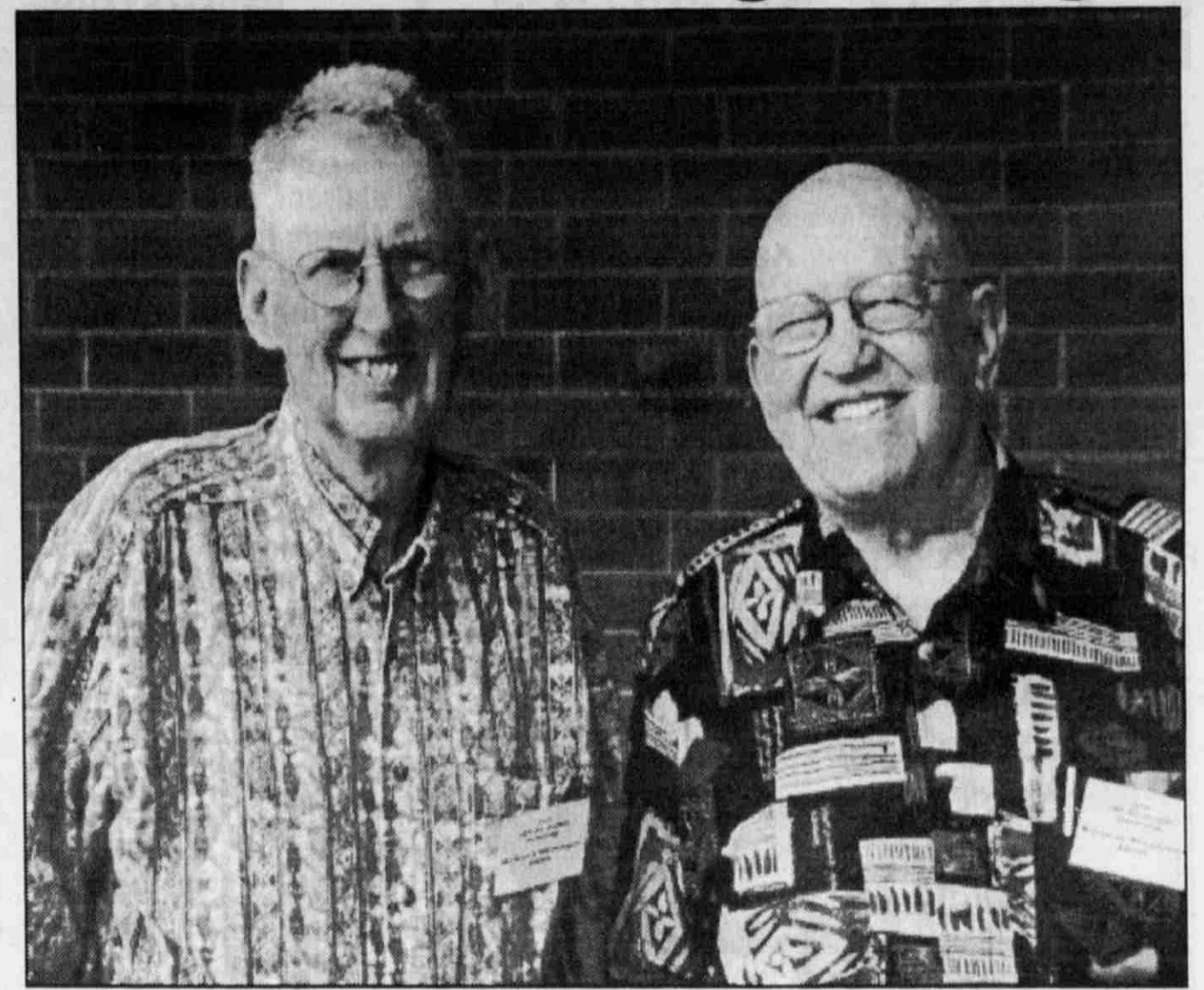
Lowell Area Schools, gave a presentation on "Our Schools ... Today." Dick McNaughton, class of 1933, was the earliest graduate present. Also recognized were Carol (Shores) Gage, 1935; John Raymor, 1935; and Helen (Shores) Houseman, 1939.

Patrick Doyle, class of 2004, received recognition for having three generations of Lowell graduates present: his mother, Cheryl (Parsons) Doyle; her father, Clark Parsons; Patrick's father, Brian; his father King Doyle.

A brunch was held at 11 a.m. and tours of the high school and Freshman Center were led by Supt. Miller, Jim White and Al Eckman. Other happenings included tours of the Lowell Area Historical Museum and a student art exhibit at Lowell Area Arts Council.



Meteorologist, George Lessens was master of ceremonies at the event in May.



Howard Rittenger, left and Norm Borgerson, both class of 1950.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate

FILE NO.
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TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:
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TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE AND SUMMARY OF THE REGULATORY EFFECT THEREOF

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 7, 2004, the Township Board of the Township of Grattan adopted an ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Grattan. The principal provisions of the amending ordinance can be summarized as follows:

1. Waterfront Setbacks. The ordinance creates a new Article 3.57 that clarifies the existing manner in which minimum waterfront setbacks are measured on lots and parcels in all Zoning Districts. Article 3.57 states that the minimum front yard setback for a principal structure located on a lot or parcel abutting any water body or watercourse shall, in all zoning districts, be measured from the ordinary high water mark of the water body or watercourse. In circumstances where a water body or watercourse includes, is abutted by or is near wetlands that are defined as contiguous wetlands under the Zoning Ordinance, the minimum front yard setback for a principal structure shall be measured from the upland boundary of the contiguous wetlands.

2. Effective Date. The amending ordinance will become effective June 16, 2004. A copy of the amending ordinance may be inspected or purchased at the Grattan Township offices, 12050 Old Belding Road, within the Township, during Township office hours.

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A copy of this order shall be published once each week in The Lowell Ledger for (1) week, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court.

May 28, 2004

Daniel V. Zemaitis

COLLEGE NEWS



Judy Ingebreton Kruger
Thomas M. Cooley Law School, in Lansing, has announced that Judy Ingebreton Kruger, of Lowell, graduated May 22, 2004.

Ferris State University and Kendall College of Art and Design have announced

that 2,617 students received academic honors for the winter 2004 semester which ended in May.

From the Lowell area are: Emily Cyrocki, Seth Hay, Sheriana Kasim, Kimberly Seaman, Michele Stauffer, Robert Thompson, Nicole VanderWal and Dawn VanderZiel.

From the Alto area are: Rosalie Arnold, Jaime Ekkens, Andrew O'Connor and Lori Oland.

To be eligible, undergraduate students must have accumulated at least a 3.5 grade point average in no fewer than 12 credit hours of coursework.

Audrey Converse, a 2003 Lowell High School

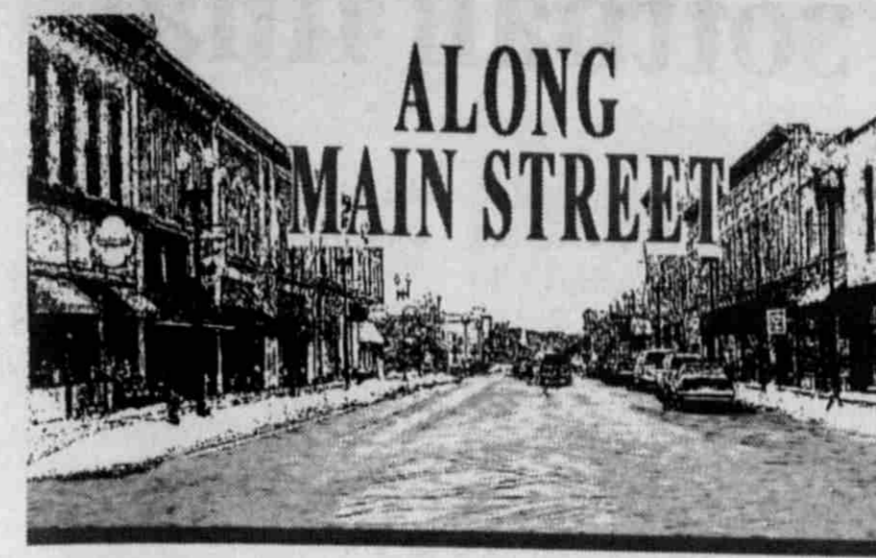
graduate and a student at Hope College, has been named to the dean's list for the second semester of the 2003-'04 school year.

To achieve this, a student must have a minimum 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Anderson University has announced its dean's list for the spring semester of the 2003-2004 academic year.

From the Alto area is Kyle Marshall Perkins.

Torrence O'Haire, a 2002 Lowell High School graduate, will be entering his junior year at Grand Valley State University as vice president of campus affairs. In addition, he was recently elected chief commissioner of Multicultural Issues of the Association of Michigan Universities, a governing body representing all public universities in this state.



POST OFFICE CLOSED

The Lowell post office will be closed Friday, June 11 in observance of former President Reagan's funeral.

VERGENNES TWP. INFO. MEETING

The Natural Features Inventory for Vergennes Township kick-off bar-b-que and information meeting will be on June 9 from 6-8:30 p.m. at Vergennes Township Hall. Call 897-5671 ext. 2 or just show up.

FOODMOBILE

Bring your box or bag and receive free food, mostly produce, on Saturday, June 12 at the 4-H Fairgrounds, Foreman Building from 10-11 a.m. Distributed by F.R.O.M.

PREVENT WEST NILE VIRUS

The Kent County Health Dept. will offer a program on preventing the West Nile Virus on Tuesday, June 15 at 5:30 p.m. at Lowell First United Methodist Church. Public welcome.

SUMMER CONCERTS

Showboat Sizzlin' Summer Concerts will start Thursday, June 17 at Riverwalk Plaza from 7-9 p.m. with Boogie Woogie Babies. Free admission and parking; concessions available.

CALLING ALL SCRABBLE ENTHUSIASTS

The Grand Rapids Area Scrabble Club invites all scrabble enthusiasts to attend a Round-Robin game day at the Englehardt Library, Thursday, June 17 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Bring a lunch, snack and game; all levels: beginner - advanced. Call Jan at 897-5759 for info.

SUMMER CAMP

Register now for the United Methodist Preschool summer camp starting in July. Call 897-8690 for more information.

6TH ANNUAL BUFFALO POW WOW

The Grand Valley American Indian Lodge presents its "Restoring the circle through the buffalo pow wow" on June 19 and 20 at Lowell Fairgrounds. Free camping, free admis-

sion, free parking. Call Lori at 616-364-4697 or email Wabushna@aol.com for more information.

FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED

The Flat River Outreach Ministries food pantry needs peanut butter, jelly, instant potatoes, juices.

FREDERIK MEIJER GARDEN

Lowell Showboat Garden Club will meet at Frederik Meijer Garden on Tuesday, June 22 at 7 p.m. Steve La Warre, manager of indoor horticulture, will give a tour of the new children's garden. Call 897-2533 for transportation or meet at the Nazarene Church parking lot for car pooling at 6:20 p.m.

SEEKING HEALTH FAIR VENDORS

The 4th annual health fair, in conjunction with the Riverwalk Festival on July 10, is looking for vendors. Booth space is \$25; call Lowell Community Wellness, 340-7781.

WILKINSON REUNION

Fallsburg Park will be the location for the Wilkinson School Reunion on July 25 at noon. Bring items for a potluck. Call Edwin Roth at 897-7817 for more information.

68TH LHS REUNION NEXT MONTH

The class of 1936 will have a reunion on July 9 at Schneider Manor. Potluck at 1 p.m. Call Irene Osborne at 691-8939 for more information.

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Arrows fall to Rams in district softball final

By Dan Schneider

Victory belonged to the Rockford Rams in last Saturday's Division 1 softball tournament in Lowell. The Rams defeated the host Red Arrows 4-2.

Lowell and Rockford both scored runs in the second inning. Rockford scored three runs in the following inning. They benefited from two Lowell errors and a walk but it was their own batters who helped them the most with four hits.

Lowell scored another run in the fourth but it was too little, too late. The Rams' lead held.

Rockford got to the final

by beating Greenville 7-1 in the first round. It was a close game between the Rams and the Yellow Jackets through seven innings. The score was tied 1-1 at the end of the seventh. Rockford managed six runs in the extra eighth inning to advance to the final.

Lowell's first-round win was against Forest Hills Northern. Ashleigh Inman led off with a single. She was bunted to second, stole third and made it home on an error. When the Huskies came up to bat, they tied it up with a run in the bottom of the first.

Katie Callahan led off in the third with a base hit for

Lowell. She eventually scored on a wild pitch to put Lowell on top.

"We beat a good team," Lowell coach Bob Rodenhouse said.

Giving back to the community

Lowell softball coach Bob Rodenhouse hands a check to Tony Asselta, coordinator for Lowell Rotary Club's Habitat for Humanity project. Softball players, pictured left to right, are: Lyndsey Trierweiler, Larinda Marker, Jamie Cardani, Rachel Nawrocki and Anna Boruta. Lowell Rotary Club president-elect Pete Odlund is pictured to the right of Rodenhouse.

The softball team donated \$200 to Rotary Club for the construction of the Habitat house. The money came from the team's paper drive truck at Lowell High School. A family has already been selected to live in the house which will be built later this summer on Bowes Road.

Those interested in making monetary donations or volunteering labor should contact Asselta at 897-9211.

Becky Plummer pitched a two-hitter that game with seven strikeouts and five walks. Plummer allowed eight hits in the Rockford game with a strikeout and a walk.

Plummer finished the season 16-15, setting a school record for strikeouts in a season with 259. She also broke the career strikeout record this year as a sophomore with 485. Further,

she set a new record for career wins with 40.

The Red Arrows finished their season with a 16-19 record. They were 9-5 in OK-White play.



Rangers shut down Lowell in district soccer final

By Dan Schneider

The Red Arrow soccer team blasted through two opponents before running into a brick wall called Forest Hills Central in the final round of the Division 2 district tournament in Lowell.

It might have been the easy victories over Ionia and Greenville that caused them to let their guard down. After a season characterized by fiery offensive performances, Lowell was shut out in the last game of the season, 5-0, by the Rangers.

"I just don't think we came in with the mentality that this was going to be a tough game, that we were going to have to do everything right to win that game," said Lowell coach Paul Legge. "Central is an active team... they'll play and move all through the game."

The Rangers were ranked first in the state going into the contest. They were able to break up the Lowell defense with their rapid movement.

"Central plays the ball, then they move and get forward right away, and we didn't always follow," Legge said.

The Red Arrow coach knows his team has deep enough talent to have pulled off a better game against the Rangers. "We were a lot more evenly-matched teams than that score indicated and that's what's disappointing," Legge explained.

The Ionia Bulldogs did little to slow the Red Arrows in the first round of the districts. Lowell scored a goal 22 seconds into the game and a second one less than a minute later.

Lowell kept the ball almost entirely in Ionia territory throughout the game and scored goals relentlessly. The final score was 12-0, Lowell.

The game afforded Lowell players several first-time scoring opportunities. Junior Keegan Geldersma scored her first varsity goal and had three assists. Sophomore Becky DeLiefde scored her first varsity goal. Goalie Chelsea Smit



Lowell moved the ball easily last Tuesday night against Ionia. The Red Arrows won the first two rounds of the Division 2 district tournament before they ended in a disappointing final loss to Forest Hills Central.

got to play in the field and scored a goal for the Red Arrows.

Against Greenville in round two, Lowell won 5-0. The win was their 17th of the season, the most wins for a girls or boys team in the history of soccer at Lowell. The girls also scored their 100th goal of the season in that game.

The Red Arrows are already preparing for next year's season. They will only lose two seniors. Heather McQueen and Patty Leasure. They will still have offensive star Amy Oberlin, who led the entire area in scoring with 37 goals this season.

"I think what's going to

happen is we're going to be a lot stronger next year than we were this year," Legge said. "We didn't have a lot of seasoned players yet, which we will in a year."

That experience of play-

ing a state-championship caliber team may be the best thing Lowell takes away from the disappointing loss against Forest Hills Northern. At least they'll know exactly what to be hungry for next season.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

The Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider amending Section 3.8, the Industrial Planned Unit Development District of the Lowell Charter Township Zoning Ordinance. The proposed amendments broaden the list of allowable uses, specify lot sizes and building setbacks and set forth development standards for landscaping, parking, lighting, unloading and similar standards as well as procedures to review an IPUD rezoning request.

The hearing will be held as follows:
WHEN: MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2004
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
**WHERE: LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP HALL
2910 ALDEN NASH AVENUE SE
LOWELL, MI 49331**

The proposed amendment is available for review at the Lowell Charter Township offices, 2910 Alden Nash Avenue, S.E., Lowell, Michigan, 49331 during normal office hours on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday or by calling 897-7600.

Dave Simmonds, Secretary
Lowell Charter Township
Planning Commission

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

The Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider amending Section 5.4.1 of the Lowell Charter Township Zoning Ordinance. The proposed amendments would provide new regulations for an Adult Entertainment business. The proposed Adult Entertainment Ordinance ordains that certain regulatory provisions governing adult entertainment businesses shall be added as Section 5.4.1(P) of the Lowell Charter Township Zoning Ordinance. In addition, the Adult Entertainment Ordinance requires certain amendments to the Table of Use Regulations in Section 4.1.1 of the Zoning Ordinance.

The proposed ordinance will provide definitions, place restrictions and regulations as well as provide for conditions and limitations for Adult Entertainment businesses.

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

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Vergennes Township Board has adopted an amendment to Section 201.429 of the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance, at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board on Monday, May 17, 2004. A synopsis of the adopted amendment is as follows:

Chapter 4 General and Special Regulations, Section 201.429 E

The adopted language changes the public hearing requirement at the Planning Commission preliminary review to the Township Board holding the public hearing after the recommendation of preliminary approval at the Board level. The ordinance language change is required in the Township Zoning Act.

The complete text of the adopted ordinance amendment is on file in the offices of the Township Clerk at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, PO Box 208, Lowell, MI 49331; Phone: (616) 897-5671 [fax 897-5674]. The amendment is also posted on the township website at www.vergennestwp.org.

Mari Stone, Vergennes Township Clerk

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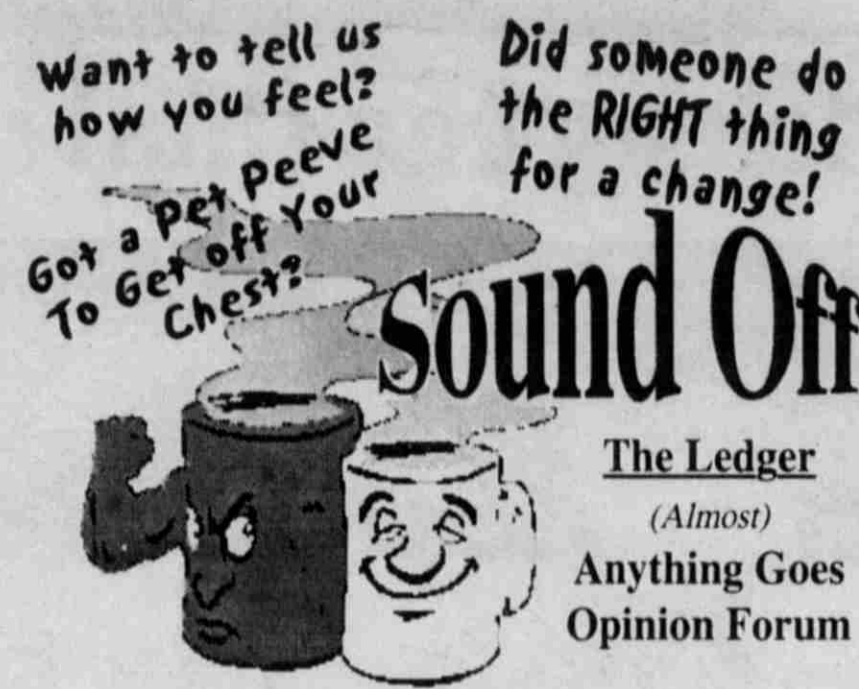


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Tim, Tracie, Timmy, Brock and McKenna Creighton... We miss you! Can't wait to see you!

To the person who made the thong comment: You must be a lady, no man would complain about seeing a thong. Since you must be a lady, what are you doing looking at other ladies back sides?

I hope the Lowell Cable price increase isn't going to pay for more of those horrible commercials!

We'll miss the Class of 2004!

Why is Sound Off free but memorials for the dead people are not?

What is my "boyfriend knows directions" all about? I don't get it.

I'd like to thank the Lowell Police Dept. for everything they do. They're doing a great job.

For the people at Ledger Sound Off - you're doing an excellent job. Keep it up!

Somebody ought to open a soup and bread place - I've got a lot of good recipes.

The new Murray Lake School is getting a new sign. The high school needs it more. What a waste.

I'm proud of Liz Baker and what her hard work has accomplished for Lowell.

Forget KFC, bring on Popeyes!

How about Fourth of July information on Lowell in the Ledger early this year?

Bewell Ave has the honor of being named a Natural Beauty Road. Yet there are cars for sale on it. Why not take an ad out in the Ledger instead of making our beautiful road look like a used car lot?

Please address your "noisy semi-truck" concerns to senbhardiman@senate.michigan.gov. A request for signs has been made, and your support surely will help!

When you vote for the school board next week, remember the walk zone.

Thank you to the Freshman Center staff and students for a great end of the year picnic. Also, thanks to Kent Quality Foods for donating all the hot dogs for the event!

If it's so good for the kids to walk, then why does your kid ride the bus of her choice from Bushnell to C.C. each day? What's Up with that?? Make other plans next year!

DON'T forget to VOTE for the school board!! We need new people. We don't need any more job cuts in our schools.

Our hats are off to the grounds crew of LAS. The grounds at the high school looked great for graduation. We are lucky to have such a dedicated crew working for the school.

I want to take a moment to thank teachers, principals, support personnel, bus drivers and the administration of Lowell Area Schools for caring so much for our children. Thank You!

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FOR SALE
PROPERTY FOR SALE - 2.2 acre lots for sale. M-21 to Hayes Rd., Muir, North 1/4 mile. Lots are on West Side of road. Look for signs. For more information call eves 269-367-4900. Phil Bishop. '99 JEEP CHEROKEE - 4x4, 50,000 miles, red, 4 dr., auto, loaded. \$7,800. Call 897-1597 or 450-7910.

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FOR RENT - 1 bedroom apartment between Ada & Lowell. Country setting. \$375 + utilities. Call 897-5303.

FOR RENT
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EVENTS
ADA TOWNSHIP INDEPENDENCE DAY FESTIVAL CRAFT SHOW - Date of Festival is Saturday, July 3rd, 2004. Established 30+ yrs. Booths: \$25, 12'x12' grassy area. 10:30 AM til 3:00 PM, M21 (East Fulton) across from Amway flag display. For application Call Pat Kain, (616) 682-9553.

EVENTS
ROCK-N-ROLL BENEFIT - for 7 year old Nick Falsetta, who is fighting cancer. Sun., June 13, from 2 p.m. 'til close at the Riverview in Lowell. Help support this brave boy's fight with cancer.

EVENTS
CARD OF THANKS
We would like to thank everyone that helped out during my recent surgery. A special thanks to Lori and Rudy Smith, Jim and Sandra Fizer, Bridgeway Church for all the meals provided to us. Kevin & Debbie Kaminski

EVENTS
A THANK YOU FROM FAMILY LINKS
Family Links would like to extend a special thank you to the following area businesses for their generous donations during staff appreciation week at Bushnell and Bright Beginnings: Artisan Flowers (Ada), Ball's Ice Cream, Brenda's Hair Designs, Cousin's Hallmark, Curves, Daisy's Floral, Faro's Italian Pizzeria, Fifth Third Bank, Flat River Grill, The Garage of Lowell, Harold Zeigler Ford, Huntington Bank, Ionia County National Bank, Keiser's, Lowell Area Arts Council, Lowell Lanes, Lowell YMCA, Mary Kay Cosmetics (Mary Kay Wierenga), Meijer, Salon 206, Thomet Chevrolet, True Value, Vennen Dodge, Wittenbach GMC.

EVENTS
CARD OF THANKS
A big thank you to all my many friends & family for the many get well cards during my pneumonia illness and recuperation. Thank you to all who visited me in the hospital and also my time at Laurels during my therapy weeks. It made my time go fast and brought me many smiles. Also special thanks to all the Laurels staff, nurses, therapists, nurses aides and maintenance personnel, your care was excellent. I couldn't have asked for more. I will miss you all. I will never forget you. Thank you again everyone.

EVENTS
CARD OF THANKS
A big "thank you" to our sons, daughter-in-law, grandchildren, mother and all other family members and friends for the wonderful 50th anniversary party. The food, decorations and picture displays were outstanding. Thank you to all who attended the party and made it so special, and to those who sent cards and for the gifts. This was a very memorable celebration and one that we will never forget. Thank you again everyone. Larry & Marilyn Cahoon

EVENTS
A BIG THANK YOU
to all of my family and friends who came to my 80th birthday open house and for the cards & gifts I received. Also a special thanks to my children & grandchildren who helped make this wonderful day possible. Evelyn Free Cooper

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BILLER/CODER - seeking experienced biller for specialty clinic in Ionia, previous experience in general surgical billing and front office strongly preferred. Full time position with a competitive benefit package. Please send a resume and cover letter to: Heather Dennis-Hanna, Office Manager, 550 E. Washington St., Ionia, MI 48846, or fax to 616-527-6097. EOE

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GARAGE SALE PAGE

BIG GARAGE & DRIVEWAY SALE
June 11 and 12. Grant St. off North Monroe, Lowell. Fishing tackle, rods, reels, lures, hook line and sinkers, tackle boxes, boating items, hunting stuff, archery stuff, suspenders, socks, hats, backpacks, cooking stuff, deep fryer, board with lionel track, chair, suspension heater, fish locator, record player and radio, chain saw and much more.

SALE
First ever sale. Thurs., Fri., June 10, 11, 9-5 p.m.; Sat., June 12, 8-12 p.m. 9944 Elmdale Rd., 3 miles east of M-50 off 64th St.

HUGE GARAGE SALE
June 11 & 12, 9-5 p.m. Most items 50c. Books, antiques, clothes, toys & much more. 10128 Bennett, left off M-21, just E. of Ada.

NEIGHBORHOOD SALES
June 10-12, 9-7 p.m. 9305, 9356, 9762 Centerline Rd., M-21 to Pinckney North. Toys, kids - adult clothing, books, housewares, much much more. Something for everyone.

GARAGE SALE
Re-Did-It furniture, and all sorts of stuff. 7345 Driftwood, off Thornapple River Dr. June 10-12, 9-5 p.m.

SPORTING GOODS SAMPLE SALE
June 12 & 13, 9 to 6, bike acc., masks, snorkles, fins, hunting clothes, backpacks, inflatables, 3081 Alden Nash S.E.

GARAGE SALE
June 9 & 10, 9-7, 12108 Grand River Dr. Household items, misc., odds and ends, old things.

GARAGE SALE
June 10-12, 9-6 p.m. Girls clothing, size 12-16, toys, games, books, household items. 6117 Ellison Rd. north of Saranac, 6 miles off of Hawley Hwy.

GARAGE SALE
June 10-12, 9-6 p.m. Boys NB-16/18, teen girls - 3X, MANY new w/tags, Gymboree, Gap Place, Tommy, La Mudd, etc. Priced to sell! Woodstove, TV, furniture, bassinets, bouncers, double strollers, microwave, Little Tikes, AC unit & misc. Wed., 6/9 - Sat., 6/12, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. 692 Birchwood Ct., N. of middle school.

GARAGE SALE
June 11 & 12, 9 TO 4 P.M. lots of kids & baby clothes & much more. 520 Lincoln Lake (in town).

GARAGE SALE
Barn Sale. 644 Whites Bridge, June 10, 11, 12, 9-4 p.m.

GARAGE SALE
Bunk beds, bird cages, records, range, lots of misc., several families, June 11 & 12, 9-5, 14311 Oberley Dr.

GARAGE SALE
June 10 & 11, open at 9 a.m. 2536 Lincoln Lake Rd. Lots of glasswear, some furniture, crafts & much misc.

MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE
on McCords, between 76th & 84th Street. June 10-12, 9-5 p.m.

GARAGE SALE
Two shallow well pumps, smoker, antiques, keyboard, books and misc. June 10-12, Thurs.-Sat., 8 a.m. - ? 8933 Braden, Alto, east side of Campau.

GARAGE SALE
June 11 & 12. Baby swing, high chair, snowblower, weed whip, tools, clothes & many more items. 413 Lafayette, Lowell.

MULTI FAMILY SALE
In Boston Highlands, west of Morrison Lake on MacArthur Road. Thurs. and Fri., 8-4. High quality kids & adult clothes, toys, household items and more. 7366 MacArthur Rd. and 5182 Scotch Mist Dr.

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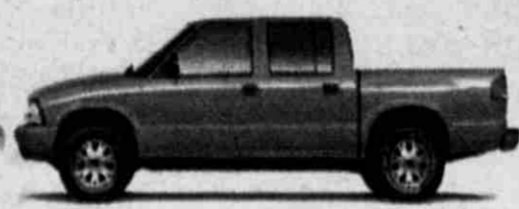


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GM Loyalty Rebate.....\$4,000
Sale Price...\$11,485*

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Stock #47005

MSRP.....\$31,768
Wittenbach Discount.....\$4,800
GM Loyalty Rebate.....\$4,000
Sale Price...\$22,968*

2004 PONTIAC GRAND PRIX GT1

3.8 lt., ABS, power driver's seat,
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Stock #45122

MSRP.....\$23,175
Wittenbach Discount.....\$2,100
GM Loyalty Rebate.....\$5,000
Sale Price...\$16,075*

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3.8 lt., traction control, spoiler, 16"
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Wittenbach Discount.....\$2,700
GM Loyalty Rebate.....\$5,000
Sale Price...\$20,915*

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Long wheel base, rear air, power driver
seat, rear audio controls, ABS brakes,
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Stock #45094

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Wittenbach Discount.....\$3,100
GM Loyalty Rebate.....\$5,000
Sale Price...\$21,225*

2004 GMC SAFARI AWD

Rear air and heat, keyless entry,
aluminum wheels, AM/FM/Cass/CD,
power windows and locks, tilt, cruise



Stock #47132

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Wittenbach Discount.....\$3,400
GM Loyalty Rebate.....\$5,000
Sale Price...\$22,000*

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