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Larkin's marquee prompts various opinions

The marquee on
Larkin's Other Place
encouraged passersby,
last week, to decide
whether local police
enforcement may be

overzealous.

It read, "Enforcement or harassment, you decide."

In a conversation with longtime restaurant owner Mike

Larkin said the sign expresses the opinion of many of his customers. Larkin used the sign as a tool for freedom of expression

and to share community news. Some of his customers have been pulled over for not using the turn signal.

"It affects my customers," he said. "It affects everybody."

Chris Rector of Lowell, who works for Valley City, got pulled over for not using the turn signal early enough which would put him into a different driveway than he intended.

"It's harassment," he said.

Larkin said the enforcement is impacting the image of Lowell to a point where it's no longer "The Next Place To Be!" He said it has nothing to do with the bridge construction.

"It's 'The Next Place To Be!" pulled over," he said.

However, that was not the

opinion of police chief James Hinton who said the police officers were doing their due diligence. And if the business is down in the city of Lowell, it is not because of excessive enforcement, but because of the market situation, according to Hinton.

Hinton compiled various data to prove his point. Approximately 30,000 cars pass by through the community of Lowell. Out of that number, an average of 10 cars get pulled over for a variety of reasons, more so at night than during the day. These violations may range from speeding, head lights, tail lights, expired license plates and drunk driving.

Andy Beloney, vicepresident of public affairs

> marquee, continued, page 2

Walkers prepare for the annual walking challenge

by Emma Palova

The annual summer walking challenge has kicked off with registration last Saturday. Walkers are encouraged to participate by walking one mile a day, anywhere in the community, starting May 31 until September 6, 2010.

You can record your total miles by wearing a pedometer. The goal is to strive for a minimum of 2,000 steps a day which is equivalent to one mile walked on the pedometer.

The American Heart Association suggests that you should increase 1,000 steps each day until you reach 10,000 steps per day. Wearing a pedometer gives you a guideline of how active you are each day.

This year there will also be group hikes as a great new way to meet friends. Group hikes will take place on three different Saturdays. Group hike locations are the Wittenbach Wege Center on June 12 at 8 a.m.; on July 17, there will be a walk through the construction route, in the Lowell neighborhood, starting at the Lowell Chamber of Commerce at 8 a.m.; and the last hike on August 28 will start at the Fallasburg Park Clubhouse at 8 a.m.

One hundred miles is a great way to kick start summer fitness goals. Each week you will total your miles and send them in an e-mail. Prizes will be awarded to the top team and individual who have walked the most miles throughout the summer. Weekly winners will receive Bridge Bucks to be used at local downtown businesses. Registration is \$15 per person and includes a pedometer and a t-shirt.

Registration sites are at the Engelhardt Library, at the city hall in Lowell, and the Alto branch of the Kent District Library.

Formoreevents visit www.lowellcommunity wellness. org Questions can be directed to Lowell Community Wellness at infolowellcommunity wellness.org or (616) 340-7781.

Lowell celebrates Arbor Day 2010 - plants a new sycamore

by Emma Palova

marquee encouraged

passersby to decide on the issue

of harassment or enforcement.

celebrated Lowell National Arbor Day by planting a commemorative tree and sponsoring the Biggest Tree contest. This year, a sycamore tree was planted on the grounds of Schneider Manor near Gilda's Club by Matt Horrocks of Horrocks Nursery. The tree will grow to be a big tree, according to Horrock.

The Biggest Tree contest will kick off on April 25 and it will end on Sept. 26 with the winners announced at Harvest Celebration in October. Entry forms can be found at The Lowell Ledger or picked up at the city hall.

Since 2007, the Arbor Board of Lowell has annually commemorated a tree and marked it with a plaque. A flowering plum was placed in Fallasburg Park in 2007, a pair of river



Matt Horrock planted a sycamore by Schneider Manor in honor of Arbor Day 2010.

birches was set near Unity High School in 2008, and a maple was planted in 2009 as a replacement for a failing specimen near city hall.

Biggest Tree contests

of past years have located a variety of mature trees within the city limits, all marked with plaques.

Arbor Day, continued, page 3

City says no to soft-sided garages

by Emma Palova

So, the much agonized dilemma whether to allow soft-sided garages in the city limits is finally over. After two years in the works juggled by the planning commission, the city council rejected the temporary structures on a three to two vote.

As noted l

councilwoman Maryalene LaPonsie, who also serves as a liaison on the planning commission, the opposition wasn't always there.

"I've gone back and forth on this, and in the end it is a property rights issue," she said. "I don't see it as detrimental."

However, the recent

outcry at several planning commissionmeetingsagainst the structures, perceived as detrimental, persuaded the city council to vote in favor of the majority.

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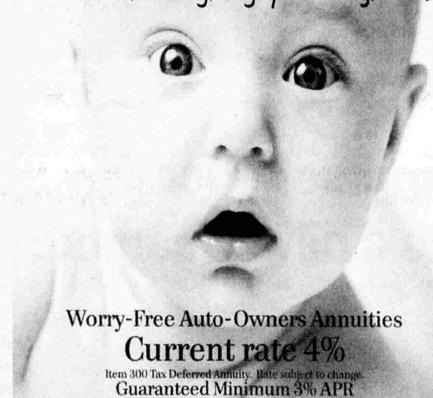
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Marquee, continued

for the Michigan Restaurant were down by 3.3 percent and statewide are down compared to previous years or the market.

"The sales in 2009

statewide based on sales tax generated by the industry," he said. "That's for the first

Even in moderate years, because of the enforcement restaurant sales go up by at least one to two percent. Hinton said he does not

want the businesses or bar Bryant in last year's bizarre 'Good Samaritan' accident "If there is an issue with involving three drunk drivers, police officers couldn't be the officers, call me," he

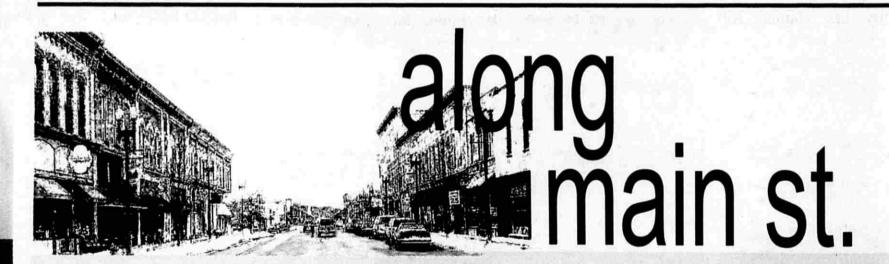
For Lowell Township

resident Margaret Mumford,

who lost her fiancée Todd

"They are trying to do the best they can," she said.

zealous enough.



HISTORY IN FASHION

Somewhere In Time, the Lowell Area Historical Museum's fundraising gala, will be held May 7 at 7 p.m. at the Lowell Performing Arts Center. Reserve your tickets now, \$25 each and \$30 at the door. To purchase tickets call 897-7688.

BAKE SALE

Relay for Life will be holding a bake sale on May 7 at Huntington Bank, main branch, and Firstbank, in Lowell.

ANNUAL GARLIC MUSTARD PULL

Sat., May 8, 9:30 a.m. at Stoney Lakeside Park, Bowes Road. For more information call Michelle at 897-8792 or Peggy at 897-7948.

FAMILY FUN ON THE FARM

Sat., May 8, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Wittenbach/Wege Agriscience and Environmental Education Center. This event is hosted by the Lowell High School FFA Chapter. This event is free and all are encouraged to attend. Call 987-1002 for

ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES

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BUILDING FITNESS - GILDA'S CLUB

Join a certified athletic trainer for a time of low impact fitness activities on Tues., May 11, 1-2:30 p.m. at Gilda's Club Lowell, 314 S. Hudson St. This class is adapted to your abilities with a focus on fun and fitness.

DAYLIGHT IN THE SWAMP

The Lowell Area Historical Museum presents a program that will take you back to the early days of the lumberjack, when white pines covered Michigan, by Bill Jamerson. The program will be held at the Lowell Township Hall on May

SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER

Friday, May 14, 5 to 7 p.m. at Cherry Creek Cafeteria. Dinner includes spaghetti, rolls, salad, dessert and drink. All proceeds will be used to fund 5th grade camp, fall of 2010.

BLUEGRASS MUSIC FESTIVAL

May 14-16 at Lowell fairgrounds. Bands, camping, workshops, and barn sale.

NEW EXHIBIT

Franciscan Life Process Center, 11650 Downes St., will be showing "The Best of Paint-In/Out," May 17 to June 30. Hours: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Mon.-Fri., or weekends by appointment. For more information, call 897-7842.

Feel free to send your event information to the Ledger for Along Main St. All submission requests for Along Main St. are subject to space limitations. The Ledger makes no assurances that they will appear in print. To ensure that an event notification will appear in the Ledger, it is best to place a paid advertisement. All efforts will be made to place suitable items in the Along Main St. column but they are printed at the discretion of the publisher. For profit events, church services, yard sales and the like, will not appear in this column.

Three vie for two school board seats

school board election.

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Pat Nugent, board were at stake in Tuesday's secretary and incumbent, candidates vying for the Gary Blough and Brian seats.

Election workers processed 99 absentee ballots.

to remove and replace the recreation park ball field.

on Washington Street

In the past three years,

the city has planted 266

mature trees, losing only two

to drought. Major projects

have included planting trees

along Bowes Road and Gee

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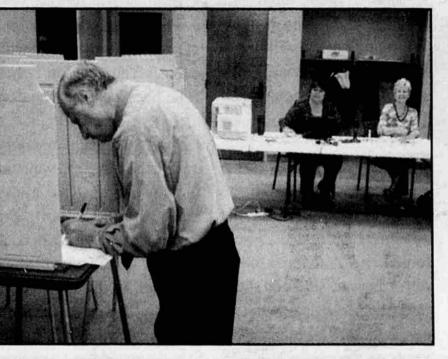
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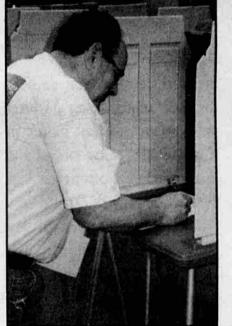
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plant 200 pine seedlings near the Arbor Day Foundation

named Tree City in 2007 by funds and private donors.

Peter Haefner, an eight- Midmorning voter turnout year board trustee, chose was low at the city precinct.





Dave Pasquale, left, and Perry Beachum took time out in their morning to vote.

Garages, continued

"There is of a soft-sided garage which no place for soft-sided is basically a tent. structures. It's not needed, it would be a major detriment go this far," he said. "Three to the city."

The opposition resonated a possibility for two months. throughout the audience. "This is taking a step will have remnants of these. back," said resident Donna This is not a structure,

Ford. "Let's not do it." Ivan Blough, longtime contractors who keep the

contractor, questioned the city beautiful.'

they are open to the public.

ordinance would be difficult to enforce because there is Current members of and given a Growth award in the Arbor Board are Dana

I have to build to code. You

Chase, Sharon Ellison, Jim the soft-sided structures of Oakwood Cemetery to 20 to 25 mature trees of The Arbor Board has Hall, Diane LaWarre and Jim are essentially tents and in the ground in locations grants through the support of consists of members Dave the Lowell Area Community Pasquale, Dan DesJarden and the property values do not As a result of this Fund, the Look Memorial Greg Pierce. Meetings are depreciate. Fund, contributions from held on the second Monday

"It's poor planning," he p.m.

surroundings," said resident three-year temporary status said. "I urge you to reject any ordinance accommodating such structure."

Chris Fleszar said softsided structures do not fit years is not temporary, I see into the community and they don't meet snow and wind

Councilmember Andrew Schrauben spent some time a kick in the teeth for all on the issue as a planning

"It was a long haul to protect the rights of a minority," he said. "I've been agonizing over this. It's a judgment issue."

related business, the city council set public create greater traffic safety mixed variety will be put secured more than \$56,000 in Reagan. The advisory board should not be allowed in budget for May 5 and June any residential districts so 7. A joint meeting with the Lowell Light and Power has been set for May 10 at 7

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By Amy Hayes Last week, Dovetail Antiques acquired

helpful, hunky Walt to help in their store. King Milling adopted a resident baker in Cookie and poor Liz at the Chamber of Commerce lost her office to Mrs. Troll.

There have been many new developments in the ongoing saga of the trolls since last week. Mrs. Troll found homes for two of her younger children and more importantly, she found someone to take in her disgruntled, crabby father known as Grampa Boyle.

Pete, or P.T., her rowdy 10-year-old, moved in with

the people at Dery Physical Lola, the sassy and spunky number one fan of all things

12-year-old (ahh hmm that is 12 and 1/2) "beach bum" is hanging out with the folks at Harding Enterprise, that's by the boat launch.

graciously allowed to reside yell at the wait-staff and smile at least once a day. Keiser's the team when they "agreed" to welcome Grampa Boyle into their establishment.

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of any and every sporting event. You couldn't miss when she isn't playing down P.T. because he would be the one cheering the loudest. Grampa Boyle was P.T. also kept a vigilant eye on all the athletes, watching at Keiser's Kitchen, if he for any injuries. He always of course, that was out of Everything looked fine agreed to stay away from the made sure that a hurt player the question. So Lola looked on the surface. Customers customers and agree to help knew that he or she could receive excellent physical therapy at Dery Physical Therapy, P.T. also informed the good town folk of Lowell that the people at Dery were make that area look brand bright and welcoming smile What was she up to? the best, P.T. was a great kid sometimes be found bungee any job that had to do with wrong. Trudy rolled her eyes week!

Lowell Red Arrows! PT

could be seen in the front row

definitely not a stunt to be again. Lola often thought, His big sister Lola would magic on her old, grouchy knock him in the head if she Grampa Boyle. ever caught him pulling such

Anyway, let's meet P.T., adored anything to do with day to pay Grampa Boyle a beaches, fish, ducks or the visit. She and P.T. secretly could keep an eye on her punk brother P.T. from her vantage point by the boat

She begged the City of Lowell to haul in some sand and build her a "ginormous" definitely pick up the vibe beach at the landing. Well, that something was wrong. around the parking lot at the were chatting over delicious boat landing and decided home cooked breakfasts what it really needed was and piping hot coffee. But, some new asphalt. She knew Trudy the owner's face said just the people who could it all. Her usual bubbly, new again. You guessed it - was replaced with a bunch Harding Enterprises. They of those worry wrinkles could fix it right up. Harding between her eyes. Lola dared Enterprises could handle to flat out ask her what was jumping off the bridge, using asphalt and they had a knack the therabands. This was of making the old look new if only they could work that

She went in search of her a reckless stunt. Lola liked to little brother and thought be near the water 24/7. She today might be the perfect

that Lola should ask Grampa Boyle. Oh oh! This couldn't river. Lola also knew she adored the old bear. Besides, be good. she was craving a plate of Lola found Grampa Boyle

pacing behind the restaurant Texas hash and she just loved the waitresses and the energy muttering something like "He had it coming...oh he down at Keiser's. they arrived had it coming." When Well, we have run out of at Keiser's they could

time and Lola had just begun Aunt Cookie whispering and carrying on in what looked like a "heavy" conversation with her best friend, Faith Fitness, from the YMCA.

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Oh just wait till next week. Some of these hot topics will be cleared up and some will just get hotter. See you next

Bridge buck winners

to the heavens and suggested

This week's Bridge Buck winners: the \$50 winner s: Craig Teadusrth; \$20 winners are: Rick Polhill, Gale Fonger, Dale Bergy, Myra Huser and Marcie Kusto; and the \$10 winners are: Adam Balabuck, Melody Kastanek, Keith Patterson, Becky Reagan and Greg Pietrzal.

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to the ... editor

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Dear Editor.

I've been reluctant to speak out on the subject of soft sided garages until I read the Letter to the Editor stating "Why are our concerns being brushed aside by councilman Jeff Altoft." and "was he not elected to represent all of us and not simply apply his personal opinion?" per his recent letter to The Ledger. Even though I have disagreed with Mr. Altoft in the past, he has the same rights that all of us have and that is the Dear Editor, freedom of speech. He is entitled to his opinions and his right to express them and what better way is there than in the 'viewpoint' for expressing ones thoughts. had to ask myself, "Why have a handful of him when he first ran for residents gone to soft sided garages?" Could it be that him because I knew he the community, along with the state, has seen tough times for some time now? When I was a young man

my parents had a garage

that was so dilapidated that

you didn't dare park in it. I

raised rabbits and so did my

Looking

Back

By Shelly MacNaughton

125 Years Ago • The Lowell Journal

Entry is missing from files.

100 Years Ago

The Lowell Ledger

May 5, 1920

The people of South Boston and surrounding county

gathered at Grange Hall yesterday, to the number of

about four hundred, for the annual sheep shearing

Miss Emma J. Cole was born in Milan, Ohio, Jan.

23, 1815, and died April 25, 1910, at the age of 65

years. Funeral services were held at Bailey Church,

Vergennes, Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev.

friends. She spent the early years of her life with her

parents on a farm in Vergennes. In the fall of 1869 she

Fraizer. From there she went to the Greenville schools

neighbor. At one time we even had a goat. And what might surprise you is that just three houses down the street lived the president of the bank. Those were the days when the saying "Live and Let Live" meant something. So, to me, it will be interesting to see the outcome when the city council makes its decision. Sincerely, Jim Howard

State Representative Dave Hildenbrand recently announced that he is running for the State Senate.

I have been friends with Dave Hildenbrand for many years and supported the State House. I supported was an individual of high moral character, a Christian and a devoted family man. He continued to show those character traits as he performed his work in Lansing. On a personal level, I've been pleased to

of laws that support small that we put individuals in to go. office that understand the Senate and I urge you to vote for him on August 3rd.

again. The dreaded garlic mustard is growing and appreciated. blossoming! You'll it along the roadways, in many wooded areas, as well as possibly your yard

see him support charitable and garden areas. In order organizations with time and to protect our native plants financial support for those it's important to prevent the less fortunate (actions speak further spread, wherever louder than words). As the possible, of this extremely owner of a small business, invasive plant. The Land I've also been very pleased Conservancy of West with his unwavering support Michigan has issued their garlic mustard challenge business and help to create again this year. You can jobs and opportunities for find out more about that at people in Michigan. As www.stewardshipnetwork. the Michigan economy org I understand that Cherry struggles, I believe it is going Creek School has already make your next trip, be sure not that health insurance to be absolutely imperative submitted their results. Way to check more than just your Please join the Girl

challenges that the Michigan Scouts for the annual garlic has many similarities to workers and small businesses mustard pull on Saturday, your auto insurance policy, local pulls, you can be part It's that time of year of this worthy community project. Your efforts are

accident and injuries. In this Peggy Covert example, your PIP would not pay and the medical elective coverage "medical 75 Years Ago payments" if chosen. Your The Lowell Ledger and Alto Solo personal health insurance

During the past few days, both of the Kroger storefronts and the H.C. Scott Candy store have been embellished with fresh coats of paint.

May 5, 1935

Ralph Townsend is having an addition constructed to his tire and radio shop, on the corner of W. Main St. and Riverside Dr., providing a drive-in for the servicing of tires and batteries. The addition is being constructed by J. C. and George Hatch.

50 Years Ago The Lowell Ledger May 5, 1960

Earl Evans has provided all night light in his block of Main Street, that does not have a single street light burning, by hanging a red lantern from the marquee of the theater.

He said he is willing to pay his share of getting some new lights on Main Street and hopes the council gets going and orders the project started soon.

25 Years Ago The Grand Valley Ledger May 8, 1985

At Monday night's City Council proceedings, Council approved the proposal of Gross and Associates. Gross will provide the City with 40 trees which will be placed N. F. Jenkins, and attended by a large concourse of in 60 inch planters along Main Street from Amity to Jefferson Street. The trees will be a mix of Locust, Norway Maple and Marshall Ash, in the 3 1/2 to 4 inch began teaching in Lowell under superintendent Clark truck diameter, and will be guaranteed and maintained the opportunity to fish for during the five-year lease period and guaranteed for and afterward entered Cornell College in Ithaca, N.Y. one year thereafter when planted permanently by the where she specialized in her favorite study of botany. City.

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Dave Emmett

Motorcyclists be sure to check your insurance

Motorcyclists, before may not pay for the accident you fire up the engine and It is more common than

companies are excluding motorcycle accident injuries, Motorcycle insurance so call your health insurance company to be sure. The medical payments face every day. Now, more May 8, at 9:30 a.m. at Stoney however there is one notable coverage can be added to than ever, Michigan needs Lakeside Park. Be sure to difference. The major your policy usually at a very individuals like Dave to check out the informational difference would be the minimal cost. The level of guide us into the future! I ask display at the library. If medical payments portion coverage can be purchased you to join me in support of you would like additional (not the PIP - Personal in \$1,000 increments starting Dave for his run for the State information on the garlic Injury Protection). This is at \$1,000 up to \$100,000 mustard, feel free to contact an elective coverage that - and this may vary among me at 897-7948. Whether should not be overlooked. insurance companies, so Sincerely, you work to control it on Accidents involving another ask your agent. One should your own property, help to motor vehicle would be look at adding this coverage spread the word to friends covered by the PIP, however, to cover any potential gaps and neighbors, or help with ones involving a motorcycle in medical coverage, so only accident would not be please take the time to have covered. For example, you the conversation with your are traveling on your bike agent.

and hit a patch of loose Another conversation gravel causing a severe one should discuss with their agent is custom parts coverage and discounts. cost would come from the When Comprehensive or Collision coverage, at least \$1,000

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> > Dave Stegehuis



policy, if applicable, may or

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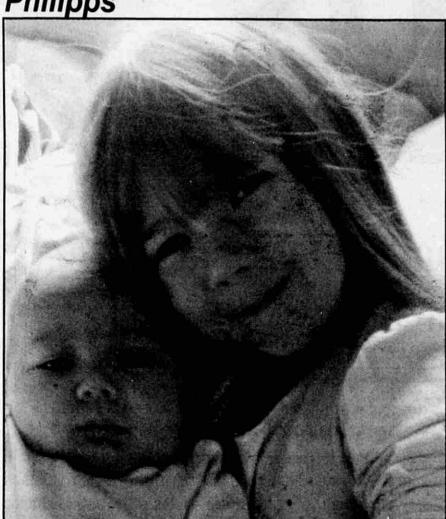
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college news

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Samuel Gravelle of Ada, recognized as a new inductee who is pursuing a mechanical to the college's chapter of engineering degree has made

Culver Redd was

Sigma XI during Albion College's annual Honors Convocation held earlier this month. The Albion College faculty and administration choose recipients for these awards from among the most exemplary students in all academic departments.

Redd is majoring in physics and computer science. He is the son of James and Marsha Redd of Lowell and a graduate of Lowell High School.

Outdoors, continued

mean always catching fish. benefits of going fishing to go to out-of-the-way will eat it, keep it.

One of the most important

caught. I know some very the direction and speed of the wind on a lake, or the sound fishermen who catch plenty of water running over rocks of fish but release all of them and the smell of cedar trees in Michigan, it is a good idea back to the water. On the along a backwoods trout other hand, if a fish is legal stream. Things you might and you or a grateful friend not notice riding by on a tour where they will be biting. bus. It helps to have a reason Don't leave home without it.

Sometimes one can't find the is that it draws a person places. Taking young folks fish, or they refuse to bite. outdoors into natural settings fishing can introduce them to Also, it is not a requirement to experience nature first a lifestyle alternative as they to keep all fish that are hand. You will be aware of begin to make choices which will influence the direction

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Danton Jernberg, 11, bagged his first turkey while hunting with his dad, Scott Jernberg, both of Lowell. The turkey was 19 1/2 lbs. with a 6 1/2 inch beard and 5/8 inch spurs.



Doug Snassberger snot this 24 ib. turkey on a relative's property in Hastings. The turkey had a six inch beard and was approximately four years old. This was Shassberger's second time turkey hunting.

LHS students release Chinook salmon into local rivers

by Emma Palova

Students from the Lowell rivers. School

and raised from eggs. The the Greater Great Lakes



confluence of Flat and Grand

The process included embarked on kayaks and studying water flow and canoes to explore the treatment, erosion, water watersheds. The program chemistry, fish habitat, and was made possible by grants from Groundswell, Trout and assistance ecosystem. members such as Rich Steketee and Dick Smith, fisheries experts; Aaron

> kayak and canoe experts. Tammy Coleman led the classes. The fish were first acclimated to the river water. Then, they will swim

Snell, scientist; and Jeff

Lende and Jon Holmes.

Aaron Snell from Trout Unlimited releases the fish into the Grand.

In celebration of Earth to Lake Michigan, where Week, the students also they will stay approximately four years and reach 20 to 25

pounds. Then they will come rivers, but were introduced back to the river to spawn. They are not native to the according to Snell.

to fight invasive species



Students enjoyed the watershed on canoes and kayaks.

LHS April Students of the Month

LHS Academic Boosters, selected based on academic to announce that Delainey and work ethic. There are for Ferguson, Hawks and if needed. Delainey is an Ferguson, 9th grade; Nick Hawks, 10th grade; and Jessica Wehby, 12th grade; are the Lowell High School April Students of the Month. In order to be eligible for this honor a student must be nominated by a department. All the nomination forms for the month are then reviewed and voted on at the monthly Department

In conjunction with the Chair meeting. Students are



Delainey Ferguson

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1,283 students eligible works well with others and Wehby. The students receive a \$20 movie gift card and a certificate.

Ferguson nominated by the Freshman Center West House and they write, "Delainey has many admirable characteristics that make her a great candidate for Student of the Month She is polite, responsible, hardworking, helpful, and



an overall great person. She advocate for other students' success; she wants other students to do well even if month nominee."

things. He works hard at time I need something extra what he does and is a good done, I know I can count on problem solver."

Wehby was nominated Jess to help me out and she for nomination, so this is is more than willing to help by the world language Lowell High School is proud achievement, character, quite an accomplishment fellow students and teachers department and they write,



Jessica Wehby

this requires her to put in "Jess is one of our seniors additional work and time. who has been behind the She is compassionate and scenes of lots of great radiates a positive attitude accomplishments for this that can be felt by the entire senior class. I am especially class. Delainey always has a proud of Jess because she smile on her face and kind has chosen to take the AP words for those around her. Spanish exam without She truly exemplifies the having taken the AP Spanish character traits that make up language course. In regards an excellent student of the to literature and writing in English, that comes Hawks was nominated naturally to Jess. Literature technology and writing in Spanish have department and they write, been a fun challenge for Jess "Nick is a hard worker and and she has worked very is always willing to try new hard to be successful. Any

never asks for recognition. I strongly believe Jess should be recognized by our school as being an outstanding In addition, Lowell High School would like to

recognize Casey Oster, 12th grade. Kent Intermediate School District has named



Casey Oster

Oster as the March Student of the Month at Kent Career Technical Center for graphic

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Lowell Schools kicks off FROM Food Fight 2010

There is Michigan vs. allowing us to expand and Michigan State, Lowell vs. enhance our event." East Grand Rapids, and now there is North Lowell vs. newly formed group of

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South Lowell. Food Pantry.

organizers are planning to worthy project." take this year's competition to the next level.

mere 88 food items, 4,292 to South teams. 4,204.

and collected food items for community-wide interest. their respective teams.

Mary Novello, FROM's new it. We've planted the seed for portion of the Food Fight

The Interact Club is a

students that is replacing the Flat River Outreach Junior Rotarians as an alliance Ministries (FROM) has put with the Lowell Rotary Club. the finishing touches on what "This group conducts their appears to be another epic projects separately from battle, between North Lowell Lowell Rotary, but with the and South Lowell, to collect same community service the most nonperishable food oriented attitude," said RJ items benefiting FROM's Boudro, the club's Lowell Schools' advisor. "The After a highly successful students thought it was a and nationally recognized great fit for their mission and inaugural event in 2009, wanted to make it a fun, but

The Interact Club has organized, and will conduct Last year's inaugural and manage, the Lowell event was a thrilling, seesaw Schools 2010 Food Fight competition that found the with the entire school system North Lowell team edging competing during the month the South Lowell team by a of May for the North and

Rick Seese, FROM With Main Street as each director of marketing, is team's boundary, many excited about how the businesses gained the spirit idea has blossomed with

"After NBC news anchor "We are truly excited Brian Williams' mention of to have the newly formed last year's Food Fight on his Interact Club blog, eleven cities from seven involved with our Food different states inquired about Fight this year," exclaimed what we did and how we did executive director. "This food pantries across America will begin on June 1 and special group of students is to provide a fun, community- run through the completion post up-to-date scoring, communicate.

but meaningful, as we look wide event that can produce much-needed resources,"

The public and business Riverwalk Parade" Saturday, July 10. "We have added some enhancements this year that are simple,

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comments. The web address is www.FROMfoodfight.org

There is also a dedicated ahead to future Food Fights," email address for centralized communications

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team) and white (South team) supporting businesses. There are also links to food collection containers supporting websites and even that will be used for the a Food Fight blog for those school competition and for interested in posting their businesses beginning June 1.

There will also be a

showing updated scoring and highlights in the Buyers Guide and Lowell Ledger. "The box scores will also

provide space for businesses to advertise their Food Fight Specials at a nominal cost, in support of the event," said Seese. "Our hope is that our local merchants will offer a discount special if you bring a nonperishable food item," he concluded.



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Red Arrow SPARTS

Lowell's defense stifles Eagles in 2-1 victory

Lowell girls' soccer team is averaging just a little over seven goals per game over its first eight games.

This goal to game ratio is an offensive explosion that hasn't been seen before.

"I have not coached a team that has created this much offense," said Lowell soccer coach Paul Legge.

Thosenumbersareskewed somewhat by Lowell's 16-0 stingy defensively. The Red handed Lowell two of its win over Grand Rapids Arrows have allowed just Union and a 21-0 shutout four goals over eight games. against Creston.

scoring against some of the in the O-K White. better teams on its schedule.

The Red Arrows netted six goals against Holland

The goals for and against While that is true, Legge statistics explain Lowell's extremely well over the first says this year's club has been 7-1 start overall and 3-0 mark 40 minutes," Legge said.

The Red Arrows' recent The complexion of the game victory, and probably its could have been completely biggest so far this season, different had we finished a and four against Grandville. was a 2-1 win over Grand few of our opportunities."

Lowell has also been Rapids Christian. The Eagles three conference defeats last

"The "However, we only led 1-0.

The Red Arrows' firsthalf goal came from the leg of Stephanie Stevens on a through ball from her sister Kelly Stevens.

"We sat in their end the first half and peppered them," Legge said. Lowell's second goal came

a ball from Stephanie Stevens

the Eagles.

Grand Rapids Christian.

Lowell fell to Jenison 6-2.

Tennis Results:

In nonconference play,

with roughly 10 minutes to play. Brooke Curtis received

before creasing the net from

The Eagles' only goal of the game came with less than 30 seconds to play on the second-half clock.

Lowell continues its league play this week with games against East Grand Rapids and Northview.

Lowell nets big win against Christian

by Thad Kraus

Lowell's tennis team removed another feat from and second doubles. its bucket list.

The Red Arrows posted its program's first win ever against Grand Rapids Christian, defeating the 13-2 with a win against the Eagles 5-3.

"It is the best match the girls have played all year," said Lowell tennis coach Bonnie Wall

first, third and fourth singles hitter who moves well to her

while also winning at first

Caitlin Baker and Kelsey Wittenbach, first doubles. continued their fine plat in elevating their record to

"They did really well and played a good, tough match," Wall said. "They complement one another Lowell posted wins at really well. Caitlin is a strong

volleys, while Kelsey has strong ground strokes and is a strong hitter as well."

In second doubles, Kelsey

match," Wall said. shots has elevated Kelly

Mankel and Abby Rogalke were convincing in their 6-2, "They just played a great

A change in her approach Trapp's tennis game in

"Last year Kelly was tentative on her approach. This year she's more aggressive and has flatted out

her shot," Wall explained.

girls

Trapp was simply better in her win against the June Ramsay, third

singles, continued to benefit from hitting the ball deep Lowell 5 into her opponent's court GR Christian 3 and keeping the ball in play

as she posted a win against

#1 Kelly Trapp def. Alex Hartman 6-1, 6-1; #3 June The ability to track all balls down and consistency Ramsay def. Ally Horner 6-1, in her play aided Morgan 6-2; and #4 Morgan Rogalke Rogalke in her win against def. Pauline Heule 6-3, 6-1.

#1 Caitlin Baker / Kelsey Wittenbach def. Erin Shields / Kaitlyn Chiazza 6-3, 6-1; and #2 Kelsey Mankel / Abby Rogalke def. Sarah Pryor / Brittany Poppen 6-1, 6-2.

Slow start too much to overcome in loss to Northview

by Thad Kraus

Lowell's team split a pair of league games with Caledonia and Northview.

physicality of Caledonia in Lowell's 8-6 win over the Fighting Scots.

"Caledonia has a lot of strong physical athletes and were able to get a lot of

ground balls," said Lowell lacrosse coach Eric Bredin. "However, we were able to play to our strength in the second half and use our finesse to control the game."

Alec Downing and Tyler Bitterman led Lowell in scoring with three goals

Isaac Tawney had a teamleading two assists.

three quarters, before rallying to outscore Caledonia (4-1) in the final quarter. Northview 13

the Wildcats.

Lowell 10 The Red Arrows started slowly, rallied to tie the game, before losing late to

"Weplayedflat-footedand on our heels in the first half offense," Bredin explained. "Defensively, we sat back in the first half allowing Northview to find its rhythm. We have to be aggressive to

be successful on defense." Trailing 10-3 in the

Lowell trailed 5-4 after and didn't do the little things on for the Red Arrows as needed to be successful on they tallied seven goals over a 12-minute span to tie the game at 10-10.

"The boys started looking for the pass instead of just shooting and things began to open up," Bredin said.

Northview answered with second half, the light went a 3-0 run to end the game.

Bredin said. "My goal is to find a way to instill a sense of urgency to start the game. Starting slow has become a theme for us."

Lowell finishes the week at 7-2 overall and 3-2 in league play.

Red Arrows stumble against Eagles and Pioneers

The spectacular Lauren Grunewald and the talented and deep East Grand Rapids girls' track team had little trouble in upending Lowell 92-40.

"East is three deep in everything and very, very good. They've rebounded for sure," said Lowell girls' track coach Robin Briggs. "They were .500 last year and had a couple years on the vault low before that."

athletes to other sports. There third in the discus with a 11 to take third. Newman also are so many sports and so throw of 33-11. few athletes," she explains.

of personal bests and a lot of good things happened," Briggs explained.

finished first and third

Despite losses to the firsts on the day. Jackson distance of 15-4 1/2.

occurred in the field events

stopped the clock in the 200meter dash with a time of 27.88. She won the 400 in

"We lost 90-48 to

Mia Jackson claimed three with a throw of 75-07.

Many of those good things with a time of 17.2.

Kelsey Teft (9-0) and against East Grand Rapids. freshman Abby Ellis (7-6) Jackson won the 100-meter With distances of 30-9 the shot put with a distance

second and third in the shot put. Everitt also grabbed a the sweep with a mark of 24-

was good enough for second 53.9 and the long jump at a fifth (47) of eight teams in the of energy and focus proved

honors in the 400 at a time of 1:04.8 with Everitt finishing the event with 115 points.

best in the 100 low hurdles 91; and Greenville, 54. Jackson, Alli Oesch and

Everitt all claimed firsts dash in 13.2. Oesch took top honors in the discus with a toss of 78-07 and Everitt won of 30-9. Teammate Mattie Newman was second with 30-5 and Oesch completed

finished third in the discus Hewitt's time of 1:04.6

Kathy Talus Memorial Track to be the undoing of the Red the sixth to ice the contest.

Kendall Hewitt took top Invitational on Saturday.

Forest Hills Eastern won Hudsonville was second with Teft recorded a personal 102, followed by Caledonia, Individual results:

vault: Newman and Everitt. Oesch, third, discus;

second, shot put; Everitt and Hewitt, Kallie Holzhueter. Haleigh Timmers Rebekah Betts, third, distance

Teft and Ellis, first, pole Jackson and Hewitt, fourth. Red Arrow Relay; Teft, White, Jackson and Anna Scudder, third, 400-meter

Lowell rallies to take series from Greenville

Lowell's baseball team opened up league series play with a 2-1 series win over

The Red Arrows did it the difficult way as it lost the opener of the three-game

final two games. Bad defense and a lack Arrows in their 9-4 loss.

Jordan Drake took to the bump and was the only bright spot. The Arrow struck out 12, but that was not enough to offset seven errors.

Trailing 5-0, Lowell rallied for four runs in the set before rallying to win the fifth inning cutting the deficit to one (5-4). Greenville.

answered with four runs in

In game two, Lowell got another solid pitching performance. Kaleb Ort gave up two runs on five hits while walking three and striking out seven. "Kaleb pitched well and

the guys played with more Lowell energy and more focus," said 15-0 behind Greenville Lowell baseball coach Juston the hitting however, Miller. "It was nice to see performance of

> Baseball. continued, page 11

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Improvement steady as Lowell eyes conference meet

If it's true that slow and steady wins the race, then the slow and steady progression rack team may indicate that the best lies ahead.

"These guys are super competitive and continue to show steady improvement," said Lowell boys' track have some boys bringing home some medals."

garner a medal or two appear

As often is the case, a

Lowell softball coach Bob

Rodenhouse is still smarting

from a 3-2 O-K White loss

to Grand Rapids Christian

despite doubleheader sweeps

against Middleville and

against Middleville for a

victory against Christian."

Lowell squandered a nine

strikeout performance from

Morgan Groom in its loss to

came off our bats up until the

fourth inning were pop ups

and bleeders," Rodenhouse

Rapids Christian had built a

3-0 lead thanks mainly to the

bat of Kris Hildenbrand. The

Eagle singled and scored

Christian's first run in the

opening inning. She followed

that up with a two-run single

in the third inning to give the

the sixth inning with two out.

them bounce back from that

At the plate, Sam Steed

and Pat Martin led a Red

Arrow 10-hit attack, Steed

was 2-for-3 with two RBI

and Martin went 2-for-3

Shane Ryan also collected

There was no suspense

in game three of the series

as Lowell rapped out 12

hits and scored 15 runs

in a three-inning mercy-

defeated

two-hit

shortened contest.

a hit and knocked in two

with a stolen base.

game one performance."

Lowell broke through in

Eagles a 3-0 advantage.

"I'd give up the two wins

Greenville last week.

Rodenhouse said.

the Eagles.

explained.

loss sticks with you longer

ov Thad Kraus

than most wins.

Rapids, he clocked in 4:41

With Tackmann has been performances of freshmen

Zach Robinson and Matt home in 52.9.

Lowell's top sprinter thus Jacob and Sean Khodl and far. He's breaking the tape in sophomores Kalvin Meyer and Ben Partridge in the 80the 100 at 11.4. Robinson, meanwhile, has meter, Stevens thinks there's

eaten up the track in the mile and two mile. Against East Grand

in the mile and 10:40 in the running," Stevens said.

Jenna Smith singled, Leigha

Frisbee walked and Kelly

Wyckoff and M.J. Vietzke

followed with two-out RBI

half of the seventh inning.

as it had runners on first and

second with two out, but

could not get a game-tying

The Red Arrows rapped

at the plate to go along with

improved her record to 5-1

to lead Lowell.

Baseball, continued

At the plate, Wyckoff

"We also displayed some

great defense. Some good

defensive plays helped us

get out of a bases-loaded

situation in the third inning,"

There were plenty of

hitting highlights. Keegan

Hanrahan was 3-for-3 with

three runs scored and a

stolen base. Ort was 2-for-2

Miller explained.

five runs batted in.

16-1, 19-1.

Lowell threatened in its

Kyllonen has provided Arrows have been bolstered stability in the 400-meter run. by the addition of Jacob Individual Results:

In the field events, the Red

in the two-mile relay.

"I've really

Lowell Invitational: Red Arrows - 30 points. Eagles trip up Red Arrows, 3-2

> - time 1.40 1600 meter run - 4th place, Robinson

Mogor, Smith, Vietzke and distance 35'11"

In its two nonconference In other league action, games against Middleville, Lowell swept Greenville Lowell posted wins of 10-0 and 6-3.

inning of game two.

out 15 hits in each of the two of game one was a sevenrun fourth inning which saw Gameonewashighlighted Lowell score all its runs with by Jenna Smith's 4-for-4 day two outs.

The offensive highlight

allowed one hit and struck Groom picked up her sixth win of the year as she faced just 18 batters. The Red Arrows did not walk a

batter while striking out 11. A six-run fifth inning In game two, Kaylie enabled Lowell to blast past Petroelje struck out 10 while allowing just four hits and

three-run home run.

scored three runs

O-K White.

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went 3-for-4 with three RBI league action. Kaylyn DeWaard rapped

out two hits, including a three-run triple. Other Red Arrows to collect two hits were Sarah

Lindsey Crawford. The Red Arrows scored in every inning of the doubleheader except the first

> 3200m Relay - 4th place, team of Partridge, Carrascal, East 73 S. Khodl and Marks - time Lowell 62

On the mound, Groom

out seven to earn the victory. Petroelje pitched four innings in relief of Vietzke in game two to notch the

Lowell will now play Creston and Northview in

The Red Arrows finished the week at 12-8 overall and 2-1 in the conference.

long jumping 18 feet and has been a huge help in the Brent Cone's height of 5-10 has lifted Lowell and Becker and Treglia provided promise in the high

Robert Becker, a chance to make some noise meanwhile, has been pleasant surprise in shot put been with distances in the 40s. He impressed with their strong has also been throwing 106-

> 107 feet in the discus Scores Team

1600m - Robinson, 4:41 Red Arrow Relay - 3rd place, team of Tackmann, Kyllonen, Eckman, Cone Blough, J. Meyer & Kyllonen

Second Place: Long Jump - J. Meyer, Long Jump - 4th place, team of J. Meyer and Schramm -400m - Kyllonen, 52.94

Third Place: Shot Put - Becker, 40' 3" 400m Relay - 4th place, **200m Dash** - Becker, 24.99 team of Tackmann, Blough, J. Meyer and Kyllonen -800m - J. Khodl, 2.15 Discus - White, 87'9 time 45.82

of Cone and Marks

Becker and White

of Coffey and Bieri

and Robinson, 3:45

GR Christian 87

Lowell 50

to be Austin Tackmann, The Red Arrow is coming Meyer. The sophomore is High Jump - 5th place, team First Place: 100m Dash - Tackmann, Shot Put - 5th place, team of 1600m - Robinson, 5.02

> Discus - 6th place, team of 800m Relay - team of Tackmann, Meyer, Kyllonen Pole Vault - 6th place, team and Becker, 1.40 400m Relay - team of Tackmann, Blough, Meyer and Kyllonen, 46.38 200m - Tackmann, 23.94 3200m - Robinson, 11:02 **High Jump** - Cone, 5'8'

Discus - Becker, 105' 9" 1600m Relay - team of 100m Dash - Tackmann, Kyllonen, Eckman, Cone and Robinson Long Jump - Meyer, 18' 200m Dash, Tackmann Second Place:

3200m - Robinson, 10:40 300m L. Hurdles - Cone. **800m** - Partridge, 2:14 1600m Relay - team of 800m - Partridge, 2:14.21

58.76

High Jump - Cone, 5'8 Shot Put - Becker, 38' 7.25 Third Place: 110m H. Hurdles - Bryce Hrusovsky, 17.98 100m Dash - Blough, 12.48 400m Dash - Woderak

400m Dash - Kyllonen

300m L. Hurdles - Eckmann, 51.05 800m - K. Meyer, 2:14.48 200m - J. Khodl, 24.85

Shot Put - White, 37' 5"

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with five RBI including In addition, Jordan Drake went 2-for-3 with two runs scored and an RBI. Elliott Drain was 1-for-2 and scored two runs, while Pat Martin walked three times and Lowell ended the week at 8-6 overall and 2-1 in the

obituaries

MICHOWSKI

Matthew P. Michowski, aged 39, of Sidney, formerly of Grand Rapids, passed away unexpectedly Friday, April 30, 2010. He was preceded in death by his father, Thomas P. Michowski (1982). He is survived by his mother, Trudy (Dennis) Corbett; brother, Daniel Michowski; step-sister, Polly Corbett (Jay Englund): stepbrothers, Steve (Lisa) Corbett, Dave (Kate) Corbett; nieces, Shannon and Becky Corbett; nephews, Michael and Brian Corbett; aunts, Frances Walker, Diane Walker, Suzanne Embree, Marilyn Walker; uncles, John (Bev) Walker, Vern Alflen, Don Saladin; very close friends, Jim Roberts, Joe Collins, Summer Tucker; many cousins and friends. Matt was a man with a big heart and will be deeply missed by his family and friends. Memorial Mass will be offered Thursday, May 6 at 11 a.m. at St. Patrick's Church, 4351 Parnell NE, with Rev. Mark Peacock presiding. Interment St. Patrick's Cemetery. Visitation for family and friends one hour prior to the Mass at church. In lieu of flowers, please pray for Matt's family.

MULLEN

Alberta Blanche Thom Mullen, 101, formerly of Lowell and Grand Rapids, died April 30 in Elgin, IL. She was born in Alberta, Canada, April 1, 1909, raised in Marlette and was a graduate of Marlette High School and Eastern Michigan University (Michigan State Normal College). Blanche taught art and music in

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the Grandville and schools. the teaching staff of Lowell High School. taught art and was a pioneer Lowell Council and Michigan Artists Association. She and her late husband. Donald Mullen, were active in local Showboat activities, the Lowell



Players and were area puppeteers. Upon retirement 1972, Blanche traveled with the Michigan YMCA World Ambassador program and developed international art programs for area art teachers. In 1972, she was elected to the Lowell School Board where she served for two terms. She was V.P. of the Board from 1974-1976.

After 1981 she resided in Grand Rapids. She was a member of Fountain Street Church, St. Cecilia Society. the Grand Rapids Women's Club and her Greek book group. She is survived by three daughters, Dr. Brooke (Frank) Transue of Elgin, IL; Dr. Ann Frisch of White Bear Lake, MN; and Noel (Chris) Feeney of Martinez, GA; grandchildren, Don Transue of Batavia, IL: Paul Transue of Portage; Betsy (Joe) Blauvelt of Chicago. IL; Stirling (Brian) Cousins of White Bear Lake, MN; James Feeney of Atlanta, GA; a great-granddaughter. Marina Cousins; great-stepgrandson, Cass Cousins: sister-in-law, Berneice Mullen Wallig of Wichita Falls, TX; and many nieces and nephews. Memorial services will be held Saturday, May 8 at 2 p.m. at St. Hugh of Lincoln Episcopal Church, 36W957 W. Highland Ave., Elgin, IL. Memorials may be made to Lowell High School Art Department, Lowell High School, 11700 Vergennes Street, Lowell, MI 49331-9017 and Marlette High School, 3051 Moore Street, Marlette, MI 48453.

VELTING

Kimberly Ann Velting, born March 15, 1969, a beloved wife and mother, quietly passed away on April 30, 2010, in her home from complications due to colorectal cancer. Her final days were spent surrounded by innumerable visits from loving family and friends. Kim's life would seem short to many, but those who were touched by her understood that the quality of existence far exceeds the quantity of time in which one lives. Her gentle smile and loving ways brought so much joy to those that knew her. Kim loved her career working for McDonald's for over 24 years where she ended up as the store manager of the Ada McDonald's. She leaves behind a doting husband, William, of 17 years; two beautiful sons, Billy and Clayton; parents, Jeff and Sandie Perkins; sister, Shennon Rice; brother, Jeff Perkins; aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and countless friends. The memorial service will be held at Lowell UMC Wednesday, May 5 at 11 a.m. Arrangements by Lake Funeral Home of Saranac. Those who wish may make contributions to help meet the needs of the family at any Huntington Bank to the Kim Velting Memorial fund. Online condolences may be made at www.lakefuneralhomes.com

LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT **COUNTY OF KENT**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS **Decedent's Estate**

File No. 10-188-448-DE

Estate of ROMANA A. HIGGINS, deceased.

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE CREDITORS: The decedent, ROMANA A. CREDITORS: 102 Union St. SE, Grand LIBMAN, who Rapids, Michigan died at 2900 2/16/2010.

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4/29/10

Jennifer L. Lambourne Thomas E. Lane (P73407) (P36477) **688 Cascade West** 3875 W. River Dr. **PO Box 327** Parkway, Suite 230 Grand Rapids, MI 49546 Comstock Park, MI 49321 616-784-5080 616-285-6050

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT **COUNTY OF KENT**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

File No. 10-188079-DE

Estate of ALAN LOUIS LIBMAN. date of birth: 2/11/1929.

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE HIGGINS, who lived at decedent, ALAN LOUIS lived Thornhills Ave SE, Apt. 16, Cascade, Michigan died

> decedent are notified ANDRZEJEWSKI, forever barred unless presented to KAREN or LIBMAN. personal personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication

> > of this notice.

Karen Libman

616-248-0234

BORROWER'S RIGHTS

CONCERNS Debra S. Hembree ("BORROWER") AN ATTORNEY. THE REGARDING MICHIGAN STATE BAR PROPERTY LOCATED ASSOCIATION LAWYER AT 11099 Wildlife Drive REFERRAL SERVICE SE, Lowell, MI 49331. TELEPHONE NUMBER THE 1241 Bates SE

REQUEST A MEETING WITH INDEPENDENT BANK AND SHOULD CONTACT David AT 616-866-7845

IF DESIRED.

SCHEDULE A MEETING

NOTICE OF HEARING File No. 10-188-445-GM

STATE OF MICHIGAN

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DRAFT SYNOPSIS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOWELL CITY COUNCIL **MONDAY, MAY 3, 2010**

Motion to approve the agenda as presented

Motion to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2010 meeting as written and the accounts payables were approved.

Motion to adopt the ordinance to include temporary soft sided garages in residential districts.

YEA: 2. (Altoft and LaPonsie) 3. (Ellison, Schrauben and Hodges).

ABSENT: MOTION DENIED.

Motion to establish public hearings on May 17, and June 6, 2010 to consider the 2010-2011 Budget.

Motion to approve the low bid of \$182,687.20 from CL Trucking and Excavating for the reconstruction of Sibley from North Center to Valley Vista Drive.

Motion to adjourn at 8:38 p.m. The next regular meeting will be Monday, May 17,

Complete minutes will be available after approved on May 17, 2010 on the City's web page at www.ci.lowell.mi.us or at City

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LHS CLASS OF 1973 - informal party on Sat., Sept. 4 at Fallasburg Park, 5 p.m. - 10 p.m. '73 grads & friends invited. More info

FAMILY STORYTIME - Thurs- committed group for adults who St., Lowell. For more information days: now to May 6, 10:30 a.m. have experienced the death of a call 616-485-2385. Share books, stories, rhymes, family member or friend. Gilda's music & movement; develop early Club - Lowell Clubhouse, 314 S. LOWELL AREA TRAILWAY

& fourth Tuesdays, 5:30 - 7 p.m. 897-5671. A committed group for children MOVIE NIGHT - May 18, at the in first - fourth grade on a grief Saranac Public Library, showing journey. Incorporates curriculumbased activities, dicussion & fun. Gilda's Club - Lowell Clubhouse,

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PLEASENOTE - Coming Events BOOKWORMS ADULT BOOK a.m. at Stoney Lakeside Park, are for non-profit organizations. DISCUSSION - Tues., May 11, Bowes Road. For more informa-

GRACE HOMESCHOOL AS-SOCIATION COMMENCEMENT **EXERCISES** - for the High School Coming Events or changes to ORIGAMI - Each Tuesday, 2-3 graduating class of 2010. June 3, coming events should be sub- p.m. Learn the ancient art of paper 2010 7 p.m. at the Cornerstone mitted by fax: 897-4809, email: folding. Gilda's Club - Lowell Club - Christian Reform Church, 6442

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credit card. Go to www.angelfood ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION ministries.com. Any questions, call OF WEST MICHIGAN - Support Group 3rd Wednesday at Fountain View of Lowell, 11535 E. Fulton, 1

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May 6-7 (Thurs. & Fri.), 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Children's clothes sizes girls 0-5T & boys 0-3T, double stroller, children's toys, shoes & accessories; 2 new air chairs w/stand, TV's, hunting clothes, home decor & much more. Addresses 7700 Timpson & 8271 Alto Way. Both located near 84th St. & Timpson.

3-FAMILY GARAGE SALE

Thurs. & Fri., May 6 & 7, 9-6 p.m. 827 N. Washington. Don't miss this one!

MULTI-FAMILY SALE

May 6, 7 & 8, Thurs., 3-6, Fri., 9-5 & Sat., 9-3 p.m. 1401 Sibley, Lowell. Toys, baby clothes &

GARAGE SALE

May 7 & 8, 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. Furniture, petite clothing name brands, ice shanty & many misc. 8873 Keim Rd., Clarksville.

BARN SALE

May 8, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. 3040 Whites Bridge. 1/2 mile North of M-21. Lots of everything plus some stuff free. See ad on Craigs list.

HUGE GARAGE SALE

You don't want to miss this one! Everything must go. 13005 3 Mile Rd NE, Lowell. May 7 - 8 & May 14 - 15, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

DESPERATE **HOUSEWIFE SALE**

Cascade. May 6-8. Kick Off Party, Thurs. 5-8 p.m., Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. 9-piece sectional, roll top desk chairs, art supplies, 100 lbs of yarn, frames, original art, pottery, jewelry, Christmas items. Look for the mannequin at the driveway, 2822 Thornapple River Dr SE by Cascade Rd. 616-796-5889.

MOVING SALE

May 7 & 8, 8 to 3 p.m. 10127 Bennett St., between Ada & Lowell. Downsizing, much to sell

GARAGE SALE

Thurs. & Fri., May 6 & 7, 11598 Barnsley. Pool table, spectator chairs, ham radio equipment. clothes & more.

TO PLACE YOUR AD IN THIS SECTION **Deadline** Mon. at 5 p.m.

Price is 20 words for \$13, each additional word is 25¢ Phone your ads in: 616-897-9555 or Fax to 897-4809

Email to: classifieds@lowellbuyersguide.com Please include name, billing address & phone number

We recommend you place your ad a week before the sale. not the weekend of your sale. Some people do not receive the Buyers Guide until late Sunday. It is also a good idea to put in directions

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CITY OF LOWELL

PUBLIC NOTICE ATTENTION CITY OF LOWELL AND TOWNSHIP WATER CUSTOMERS

Due to major maintenance the City of Lowell's Water Treatment Filtration Plant will not be softening nor fluoridating the water from April 13th through May 15, 2010. We are sorry for any inconvenience.

If you have any questions, please contact the Water Treatment Plant (897-5234).



Betty R. Morlock City Clerk

VERGENNES TOWNSHIP

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the Vergennes Township Zoning Board of Appeals on Tuesday May 25, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Vergennes Township offices located at 10381 Bailey Dr. PO Box 208, Lowell to hear the following business:

Applicant Douglas VanPortfleet requesting a lot area variance from section 201.304 (E) and 201.501 (A) to split an adjacent existing nonconforming parcel of less than 3 acres into 6 parcels to be sold and owned by each of the land owners across the street with matching boundary frontages and create an association for a 7th parcel to maintain the private road within it. The parcel is located at 11914 4 Mile Rd, pp# 41-16-04-226-012, on the south side of the private road west of the intersection of Alden Nash NE and 4 Mile Rd in Vergennes Twp. and the other abutting land owners are on the north side of the private road in Grattan Twp.

The members may review any other business that may come before them as permitted by the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act and Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance.

The complete application can be reviewed at the Vergennes Township Hall from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. comment will be heard at the meeting. Written comments received by mail, in person or in the mail slot located at the office entrance will also be considered if received at the Township office prior to 7:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. Comments may also be emailed to: zoning@vergennestwp.org

Vergennes Township ZBA



Sound Off! The Ledger's "Almost" anything goes column!

last week's Sound Off poll result:

Do you feel Arizona's new immigration law will unfairly profile citizens?

YES	449
NO	449
Something needs to be done	129
Don't Care	0%

How is it a "green" prom if the kids have to drive 1 1/2 hours each way to the dance? Seems it would have been "greener" to pick a closer location.

Is no one taught the difference between borders and state and county lines in school these days? You need a passport to cross the border. You don't need one to cross into another state or county.

It's planting season again and that means big equipment on the roads. These people feed us. Please remember to pass with care.

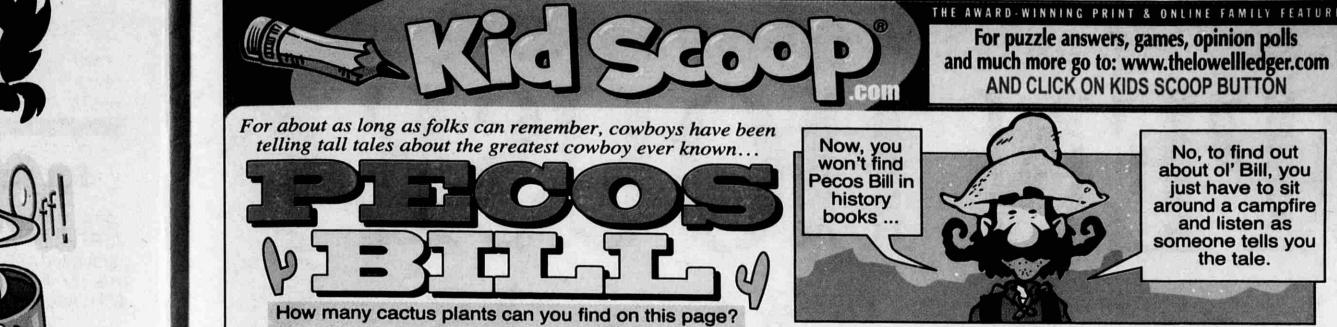
We are lucky as a community to have such a great Police force. Not only are they good at what they do they are polite, friendly, smart and easy to talk to. Thank you Lowell Police officers, I appreciate you and I am grateful for you. Keep up the good work. I'm voting YES for public safety today and I hope many others do too.

- Holly Oudhoff



APRIL 28 - MAY 4

- The Navy has announced that women, for the first time, will now be allowed to serve on submarines
- British Petroleum vows to pay all necessary and appropriate clean-up costs from the huge oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.
- A car bomb scare in New York City has officials looking for a man that may have been caught on tape.
- At least 19 people are dead following a weekend of thunderstorms that caused severe flooding in Tennessee, Mississippi and Kentucky.
- Actress Lynn Redgrave, 67, dies. Redgrave was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2003.



Bill was the youngest of 17 kids. When Bill was just a baby, he fell out of his folks' wagon out on the Texas prairie. And, naturally, he began to cry and howl as the wagon traveled out of sight. His howling attracted a pack of coyotes. They joined in howling

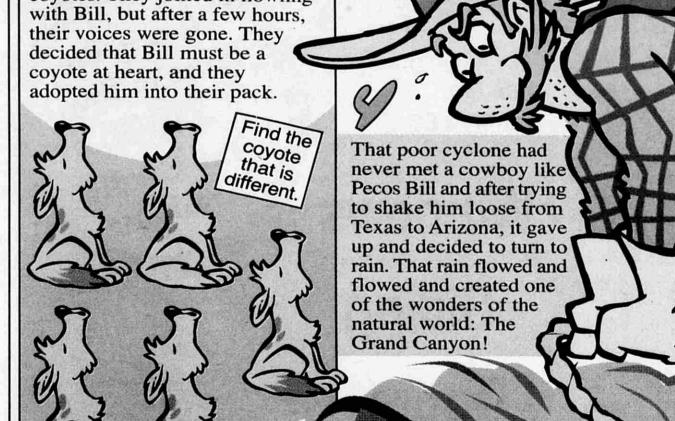
Widowmaker

best of friends.

Pecos Bill's horse was named

Widowmaker because no cowboy

could survive an attempt to ride him.
But Pecos Bill could, of course, and
Widowmaker and Bill became the

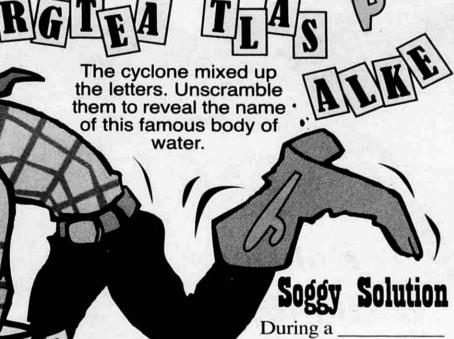


It was said Bill could ride anything. No

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horse could throw him. He even rode a

the biggest cyclone anyone had ever seen blew into town one day, Pecos Bill jumped right on it, riding it for days and days. The cyclone got frustrated and started crying big, salty tears around Utah. Today that pool of tears is known as the:



drought, Pecos Bill needed to get water to . There wasn't a cloud in the sky, so he got himself a big ol' stick the Texas desert to the Gulf of that's how the called the Rio Grande RANCH | was born!

Replace the

Extra! Extra! Create a **Tall Tale**

The fun of a tall tale, like Pecos Bill, is that the story gets a little taller and more outrageous with each telling. Find a sports story in the newspaper and start

adding silly, strange and larger-than-life details to it to create a new tall tale

Standards Link: Writing Applications: Write stories with a setting, main characters, beginning middle and end.

Kid Scoop Puzzler Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's

Widowmaker was no ordinary horse. Instead of apples or carrots, he used to chomp on this unusual treat that Pecos Bill gave him. Cross out every other apple to reveal it.

Action Language

One or more exciting verbs

· The shortest sentence you can find

Standards Link: Grammar: identify different kinds of sentences.

Follow step-by-step instructions to draw Pecos Bill and Widowmaker. Go to www.kidscoop.com/kids.

WIDOWMAKER **PECOS** COWBOY DROUGHT 4 CYCLONE TEARS RANCH U HORSE **EXAGGERATE** TEXAS PACK ELSREDNOWL WONDERS WILD REKAMWODIW

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Lots of cowboys know how to make a lasso out

of a rope. But Pecos Bill invented the first lasso

and he did not use a rope. Lasso every other

letter to see what he used.

HOWL RAIN

Kid Scoop stories and activities. ETAREGGAXE RSAXETDWHY IAPLTHLDOC HOIECGIBWP OWANCUWBLA RRAENOLCYC SROYCRSBIK

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Kid Scoop Together: Funny Filler

Have a friend give you each type of word to fill in the blanks.
Then read the story aloud!

Pecos Bill once traveled to

NAME OF STATE to help ADJECTIVE

. People came from miles around to see thi

ADJECTIVE in person.

Bill picked up a huge stack of

PLURAL NOUN

PLURAL NOUN and got to right to work.

Widowmaker carried ADJECTIVE PLURAL NOUN

At lunchtime, Pecos Bill PLURAL NOUN

and black pepper on his chili Suddenly, he felt a sneeze coming on, so everyone began

Pecos Bill sneezed so hard that

PLURAL NOUN NAME OF STATE Houses rolled like

tumbleweeds, and a large

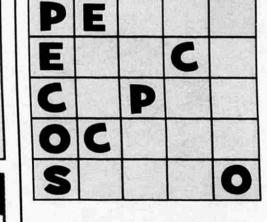
It took Pecos Bill more than

everything back to where it

Kid Scoo-doku

belonged.

Complete the grid by using all row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled



Kid Scoop **VOCABULARY** BUILDERS This week's word: **OUTRAGEOUS**

The adjective outrageous means going far beyond what is correct or true.

Tall tales contain outrageous characters and details

Try to use the word outrageous in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

Write On!

Exaggerate!

Think of a really exaggerated way to write about something. It was so fast that . . It was so heavy that. It was so scary that ...

Read today's newspaper and highlight each of the following examples of active writing: · A sentence that commands or directs action

What kind of cowboy steals teapots? ANSWER: A kettle rustler!

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