

## LAS celebrates 136<sup>th</sup> commencement

by Kathryn Atwood  
contributing reporter

Friends, family and loved ones of Lowell High School's class of 2014 gathered under sunny skies at the Red Arrow Memorial Stadium on Sunday, June 1 for the school's 136th commencement ceremony.

Music teacher Tim Haan directed the high school band playing Pomp and Circumstance as 283 senior students made their way onto the field eager to take their place as graduates on the stage. The choir, led by Nathan Masterson, opened ceremonies with the National Anthem before principal Amy Pallo took to the podium to offer her opening remarks.

"Today is an extremely special day. It is the day that we celebrate the time, effort and dedication you have shown for thirteen years and we honor you with the title of high school graduate."

Pallo said in her address that she struggled with what message to pass along to the already successful group of seniors. The class



Sunny skies were the order of the day that also grew quite warm, for the grads and spectators, as they listened to the various speeches throughout the ceremony.

has achieved a myriad of accomplishments during its time at Lowell High School (LHS) including a wrestling state championship, award winners in Science Olympiad, Model UN

and robotics, Pink Arrow participants and service learning supporters, all-conference and all-state academic athletes, outstanding theatrical and musical performances and

recognition for outstanding GPA's including the highest combined GPA in the state for the Varsity football squad.

"What do I want to tell this group of students

who are already selfless, hardworking and amazingly compassionate people?" Pallo asked.

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## City council votes to change firework's ordinance

by Tim McAllister  
contributing reporter

At the heart of the city council meeting on Monday, June 2, was a 20-minute debate about a firework's ordinance, which passed 4 - 1.

The new ordinance would make it illegal to use

"consumer fireworks" on all but 30 days of the year. The 30 days include 10 national holidays, plus one day immediately before and after each holiday.

"We can still do sparklers, and basically what I would call the 'kid-

friendly' fireworks are still allowed at any time," said city manager Mark Howe. Affected are "The things that go up in the air and things that go 'bang,' that can cause some concern from folks when they happen at one o'clock in the morning."

Lowell police chief Steve Bukala cited fireworks-related complaint statistics from recent years.

"In 2012 we took a total of 37 firework complaints and a majority of those, 23 of them, were right around the Fourth of July holiday," Bukala said. "Last year we only took 20, however 17 of those were in the weeks before and right around the Fourth of July holiday."

Councilperson Jeff Altoft was the sole vote against adopting the ordinance.

The council voted to adopt a "letter of understanding" to the Lowell Police Officers Association. The letter said that Lowell police and its retirees will keep the same health coverage, Priority Health HMO Standard 70-1, for one more year.

"We were notified that our current policy would cover retirees, at least for another year and so what we negotiated with the police officers association was to maintain the current plan,"

Howe said.

The council and members of the public who attend the next council meeting will be able to see a presentation on the "final concept" for potential renovations to the Riverwalk and Showboat.

"The Riverwalk Stage/Showboat plan stakeholders group has agreed on a final concept for recommendation to the city council, which is scheduled for your next meeting," Howe said.

During "citizen comment," two people spoke about local Internet service. First Dave Mortimer, who said he represented a group called "Citizens In Support of Fiber," addressed the council about having Lowell Light & Power put fiberoptic Internet wires in Lowell.

"Fiber bandwidth would put our city on the national map as a technology hot spot," Mortimer said.

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## Tree belatedly placed for Arbor Day



Eric Pifer of Scholten Landscaping planted a Bradford pear tree at the new BP Merle Boes gas station to celebrate Arbor Day. The celebration was delayed until the gas station was ready for landscaping. In attendance were, from left to right: Lowell's city manager Mark Howe, Diane LaWarre, Mike Boes, Dalane Vandenberg, Sue Ullery, Steve Bukala and Jack Brown.

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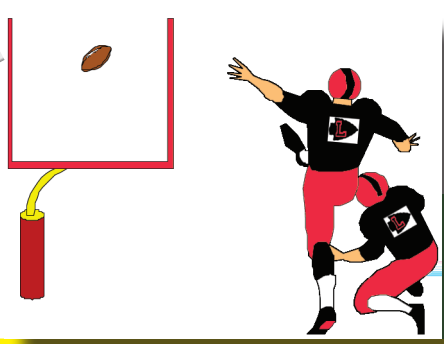


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# Lowell merchants are "Kickin' It" on Main Street

Eight merchants on Main Street in Lowell are working together to benefit Lowell Schools with a new co-operative promotion called "Kickin' It On Main Street." The program is designed to benefit one school or one school club or sport each month. During that month members and supporters of the school or club can earn 10 percent for their group by shopping at any of the eight participating merchants.

"We realize that schools have been hit hard the last few years in terms of funding," said Cliff



Yankovich of Chimera Design. "We felt it was important for Main Street merchants to give back to the community that keeps us in business. We also welcome the opportunity to demonstrate to the kids that shopping at local businesses can be beneficial to the community as a whole - Amazon.com is not going to help the band boosters or the robotics' team in Lowell."

The participating merchants represent a good cross section of businesses, from the brand new Nikki Jane's Boutique

with clothing for girls and women, to long-established places like Rookies Sportscards Plus and Springrove Variety. Others involved in the program are Aesthetics Gallery, Glass House Design, Pep Talk and Station Salon.

The first group to benefit from Kickin' It On Main Street is the Lowell band boosters. During the month of June any time one of the band members, their families or any of the boosters shop at any of the participating locations all

they have to do is mention to the business that they are with the band boosters. At the end of the month each one of the businesses will tally up the total sales and donate 10 percent - the more the boosters shop on Main Street, the more money they will realize at the end of the month.

"This is a classic win-win situation," Yankovich noted. "All of us can potentially meet some new customers and we in turn can support a great school system."



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## financial focus



Christopher C. Godbold

### Conversation about finances is important for newlyweds

June is a popular month for weddings. If you're getting married this month, you no doubt have many exciting details to discuss with your spouse-to-be. But after you get back from the honeymoon, you'll want to have another discussion — about your finances. It might not sound glamorous, but couples who quickly “get on the same page” regarding their financial situation are actually taking a step that can help them immensely as they build their lives together.

As you start talking about your finances, be sure to cover these areas:

- *Separate or joint checking/savings accounts* — Some couples create joint checking and savings accounts, others keep everything separate and still others find a middle ground

— joint accounts along with smaller, separate accounts. There's really no one “right” way for everyone, but whichever method you choose, make sure you're both aware of where your money is, how it can be accessed, and by whom.

- *Debts* — Both you and your spouse may be bringing in debts, such as student loans or credit cards, to the marriage. You don't necessarily have to do everything possible to get rid of these debts immediately, but you should set up reasonable payment plans that will allow you to lower your overall debt load so you can free up money to invest for the future.

- *Spending and saving* — Newlyweds are often surprised to discover how different they are from each other in the area of

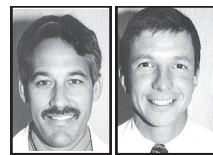
spending versus saving. You don't have to try to radically change each other, but you both need to be aware that your spending and saving decisions now have greater consequences than when you were both single. To illustrate: If one of you is more of a spender and is used to running up big credit card bills, these actions can clearly affect both of you. To avoid problems of this type, you will need to communicate clearly with each other

- *Goals* — It's important for married couples to clearly establish their financial goals. Do you want to purchase a house? If so, when? If you're going to have children, will you want to help them pay for college? When do each of you want to retire? And what sort of retirement lifestyle do you have in mind? By answering these and other key questions, you'll be formulating a set of goals. And from there, you can devise a strategy for attaining these goals.

- *Investment styles* — Both you and your spouse will unquestionably need to invest if you are going to achieve your goals, such as a comfortable retirement. However, each of you may have a different investment style — for example, one of you might be an aggressive investor, willing to take more risk for the possibility of greater returns, while the other is more conservative, ready to accept lower returns in exchange for greater preservation of principal. To pursue your strategy for reaching your objectives, each of you may have to compromise somewhat on your “investment personality.” To achieve this balance, you may need to consult with a financial advisor.

Finances are an important part of any marriage. By communicating regularly and working together, you and your spouse can build a solid financial foundation for your lives together.

## health



With Drs. Paul Gauthier, Jim Lang, Wayne A. Christenson III, John G. Meier & Tracy Lixie

### urinary tract infection

Urinary tract infections are one of the most common conditions we deal with in the office every day. Urinary tract infections (UTI), also commonly called bladder infections, are especially common in women. The urinary tract includes the kidneys, ureters (the drainage tubes between kidneys and bladder), the bladder and the urethra (the short outflow tube from the bladder).

A UTI is simply an infection of the lower urinary tract caused by a bacteria. Symptoms include pain or burning with urination, frequent urination, urgency and sometimes blood in the urine. Fever, back pain, nausea and vomiting can be signs of a more serious infection involving the kidneys.

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# viewpoint

## to the editor

### love our small town

Dear Editor,  
Over the recent Memorial Day weekend my wife and I enjoyed a 1,500 mile motorcycle trip into south west Indiana looking for covered bridges and smaller waterfalls. It was a great trip with fine weather. However, one aspect of the trip really stood out. Many of the small cities, towns and villages were in poor shape. Many were the size of Lowell. Gas stations, grocery stores and hardwares all boarded up. Roads were in terrible shape and we had to slow to zero at railroad tracks.  
This trip really made us appreciate the city of Lowell. Certainly we have

issues, such as some of the streets, some of the railroad tracks and some civic problems. But, I would like to express my gratitude to our city council, our recent city managers and all the volunteers who make this a great community to live in. I read many doom and gloom letters to the editor but I am sure most citizens of this wonderful "small town America" community are generally pleased. As Benjamin Franklin once said, any leader who tries to please all the people all the time is a rather shallow person. Every elected person who makes a decision displeases someone.  
Jim Sowle

### Defense bill once again highlights Michigan's national security role



Sen. Carl Levin

My top responsibility as chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee is guiding the committee's consideration of the annual defense authorization act, a bill that sets policies and establishes programs for our military. We recently completed the committee's consideration of this year's bill. Once again, we worked on a bipartisan basis to provide for our troops and their families and for our national security, and once again, the bill highlights Michigan's strong and longstanding contributions to our defense.  
Perhaps most significant this year is the committee's rejection of an

Air Force plan to retire the A-10 attack aircraft. A-10s – including the 107<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron at Selfridge Air National Guard Base in Macomb County – provide close air support for ground troops, and they've been used heavily in Iraq and Afghanistan, often helping troops under heavy fire. I believe that retiring the A-10 would leave an unacceptable gap in this important capability. I'm glad the committee preserved the A-10 for at least the next year, and that we paid for our plan with responsible savings from elsewhere in the budget.

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## outdoors



everyone's fish

Dave Stegehuis

Fishermen tend to specialize in one or two species. Anglers who fish locally focus on what happens to swim in the waters around home. Offshore salmon fishing requires the use of larger boats rigged with special equipment and most of us need to travel to find fish. Avid bass fishermen can be identified by their discolored bass boats, casting style, and fashionable attire as they probe a laundry list of lakes for hard hitting largemouth and scrappy smallmouth bass. Dedicated fly fishermen live in a world of their own.

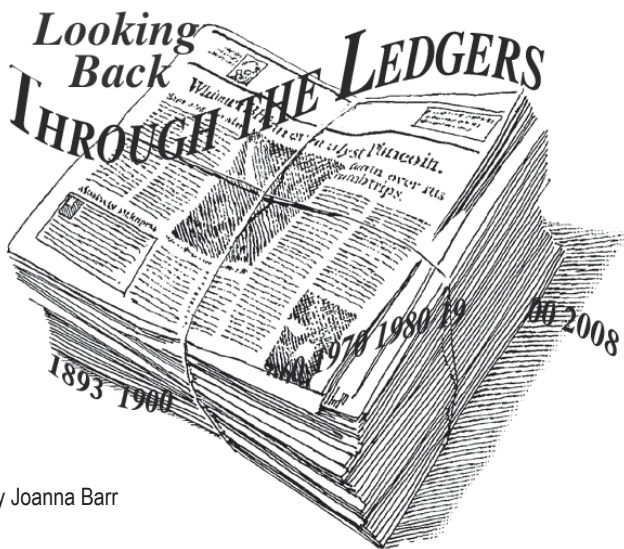
Bluegills and variations of the species, on the other hand, are found in lakes and farm ponds throughout the mid-west. There are no closed seasons and the hand size fish can be caught year around. Anglers can fish from a boat, shore, dock, or if it is cold enough where you live, through the ice. Equipment needs can be a simple hook and line to well-outfitted boats with GPS, sonar, and electric trolling motors.

Any boat can be adapted to catching gills. Pontoon boats allow one

to invite friends, family, and neighbors to spend the day fishing. Panfish such as bluegills provide an excellent first time fishing experience for young anglers. If one is not fussy about size, panfish can be caught more consistently than other more elusive species. Action is what draws kids back to the lake the next time.

Just about any type of fishing tackle can be used to catch gills. The feisty little fish put up quite a tussle on a fly rod. Fishing live-bait or plastic artificials under a float or bobber with a spinning outfit is a popular method for young and old alike. Old fashion cane poles are still effective and fun. A light touch on the line is needed to detect the bite on a small jig fished straight down on an ultra-lite outfit.

Cooking up the catch is the best part for most bluegill fishermen. Fileted or whole, the fish are excellent eating whether fried or baked. Bluegills may not be as glamorous as steelhead and salmon, but fishing for bluegills is probably more popular and enjoyed by almost everyone who fishes.



By Joanna Barr

the City State Bank in 1914 and erected on the south side of Main Street, later being moved to the north side when the bank changed its location in 1918.

Everybody is glad to welcome R. B. Boylan, venerable civil war veteran, back home after spending the winter in Florida. Mr. Boylan carries his 90 years remarkably well.

### 50 years ago The Lowell Ledger June 4, 1964

Ted Milanowski, Lowell barber, closed his shop Tuesday to report with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion of the Michigan National Guard for emergency duty in the strike at Hillsdale. Governor Romney announced Tuesday that the Essex Wire Corporation would be allowed to reopen following the violence.

The Showboat Calliope will join the Woodland Antique car tour this Saturday and Sunday and furnish the old-time music touch.

Lowell Farmers' Market, sponsored by the Lowell Chamber of Commerce opened Wednesday. While the turnout was disappointing, a better attendance is expected as the produce season advances. The market is open every Wednesday and Saturday from 10 am to 8 pm.

### 25 years ago The Lowell Ledger June 7, 1989

Buffalo roam the range on farm near Smyrna. At 10605 Button Road in Smyrna, a piece of history still roams over 207 acres of countryside. At a distance the large, shaggy-maned, short-horned American Buffalo look peaceful enough, but as they sort of rumble toward Lon Heintzleman who holds an armful of corn cobs, their size becomes intimidating.

Together, Tony Siciliano and Ivan Blough have volunteered their services to the Lowell Showboat for a total of 44 years. "The Showboat and the work involved in preparation provides the City of Lowell with community spirit and that's precious to a city." Blough says, "Money cannot buy community spirit." Their work, while it does not require bright lights and headlines in local papers, most definitely helps the showboat sparkle in appearance on those three summer nights in June.

### 125 years ago Lowell Journal June 5, 1889

This office has printed invitations for an Independence Party to be given at the Ada Rink Wednesday evening July 3d.

There was quite a flurry of snow Decoration Day, a very uncommon incident for this country. Some eight or ten miles south of here there was snow enough to cover the ground and a couple of inches in some parts of the state.

### 100 years ago The Lowell Ledger June 4, 1914

A near tragedy occurred at the Grand Trunk Depot Tuesday night, when some young fellows attempted to have a little fun with Night Agent Cuddebeck and one of them has a bullet hole in his hat as a reminder that it isn't best to get too gay.

### 75 years ago The Lowell Ledger June 8, 1939

The town clock which has been located at the corner of Main Street and Riverside Dr. for over 25 years, was moved this week to the Christiansen ice cream plant on E. Main Street; Wm. C. Christiansen having purchased it. The clock was originally purchased by

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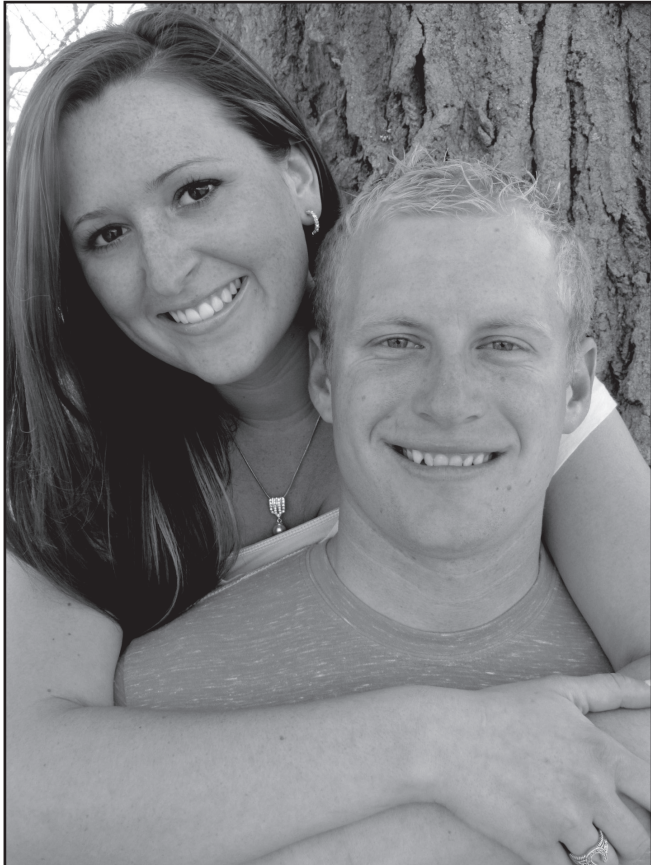
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# engagements

## Meyers/Burt



Jessica Meyers and William Burt

David and Lynn Meyers of Ada are excited to announce the engagement of their daughter Jessica Lynn Ann to William Burt, son of Bill and Monica Burt. Jessi and William attended Lowell High School. Jessi graduated from Baker College with an Associate Degree of Applied Science

in Veterinary Technology. William graduated from Ferris State University with a Bachelor Degree in Heavy Equipment Service Engineering and an Associate Degree in Heavy Equipment Technology. They are planning a June wedding this year.

# Health, continued

UTIs are diagnosed by reviewing the history, performing a simple examination and most importantly, obtaining urinalysis. Examination of a urine specimen under a microscope may reveal white blood cells, red blood cells and bacteria. Frequently, a urine culture is ordered to identify the type of bacteria causing the infection and making sure that the bacteria is sensitive to the antibiotic that is prescribed.

Your doctor will usually prescribe an antibiotic that

you will take for three to ten days. Often, we will recheck a urine specimen after the antibiotic is gone to make sure the infection has completely resolved.

You can prevent UTIs by drinking lots of water and urinating frequently. Don't hold your urine for long periods, this can over extend the bladder and make it easier for bacteria to colonize the bladder wall. You should urinate after intercourse. Always wipe from front to back after bowel movements.

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# ask kathryn



Kathryn Denhouer Ph.D.

Social anxiety is the topic of this article. "Excessive shyness" is often used to describe social anxiety. For children and adults with social anxiety there is a paralyzing concern about appearing foolish or making a mistake in front of others. The symptoms of social anxiety are:

1. Intense fear of social and performance situations.
2. Avoidance of social situations.
3. C o n c e r n about humiliation or embarrassment.
4. Fear that this anxiety will provoke a panic attack.

In the school setting, children with social anxiety are very self-conscious, especially in social or performance situations. Consequently, they try to avoid them. They fear that they will be ridiculed or teased. What can parents do to help their children manage their social anxiety? First of all there are the three "P" words that were discussed in last month's article. The three "Ps" are: 1. being proactive, 2. being positive and 3. being preventive. Other strategies would include stability, structure and communication.

Stability and structure are important because children who are impaired

with social anxiety have developed strategies that help them survive. When everything "falls apart," the learned strategies cannot be applied, then their social anxiety takes over. Granted, children need to be adaptable in new situations, but those suffering from social anxiety need to handle change in a more structured way, so they successfully employ strategies that work. As the child becomes more confident in their ability to handle their social anxiety, they are more able to handle new situations. Another effective strategy is communication. The parent can be an "emotional scout" for their child with social anxiety. By describing the sequence of events of a new situation and by relaying how to handle each part, it gives the child a preview of what is coming. This is reassuring to the child and builds confidence in the parent/child relationship. The child can find emotional strategies that will help them in these new, uncertain experiences.

Next month, GAD (Generalized Anxiety Disorder) will be reviewed. If you have any general questions about anxiety or specifically about this article, please contact me at [kathryndenhouer@gmail.com](mailto:kathryndenhouer@gmail.com)

# area churches

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10305 Bluewater Highway (Missouri Synod)  
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[www.goodshepherdlowell.org](http://www.goodshepherdlowell.org)

Worship Service.....Sunday -10:30 A.M.  
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Joseph Fremer, Pastor **897-8307**  
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**CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH OF LOWELL**  
897-7060  
Pastor Rod Galindo  
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Sunday School.....11:20 A.M.  
Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.  
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2275 West Main Street • 897-7168  
Barrier Free  
Internet:<http://www.fbcloowell.org>  
Rev. Jon Pickens & Pastor Phil Severn  
Sun. Worship Service.....9:30 A.M.  
Sunday School, nursery - adult.....11:00 A.M.  
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(Youth Ministry moves to Wed. during summer)

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# happy birthday!

**JUNE 4**  
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**JUNE 5**  
Amanda Vezino, Judy Rosenberger.

**JUNE 7**  
Amber Metternick, April Metternick, Zachary Beachum, Ray Kennedy.

**JUNE 8**  
Barbara Brown, Mark Essich, Hank Hoekstra, Olivia Richmond.

**JUNE 9**  
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 Connor Smalligan Bergin  
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 Emmalee Euzefa Mae Blough  
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 Kristine Mary Bobko  
 Alexia Ketrin Bocskey  
 Christopher Charles Bodus  
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 Tristen Scott Bray  
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 Richard Leon Cadwallader  
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 Levi James Churches  
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 Raul Angel Damian  
 Alyssa Alexandra Darby  
 Kayleigh Louise Davies  
 Justin Russell Davis  
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Bethany Victoria Dean  
 Kanon Fraser Dean  
 Luke Andrew DeBoer  
 Kaelobb Lucas Decker  
 Devin James DeGlopper  
 Samantha Marie Deiss  
 Kevin Richard DeKraker  
 Ariel Elizabeth DeLany  
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 Julia Elizabeth Smelt  
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 Amber Rose Sturgeon  
 Quinn Elston Summerfield  
 Amanda Faith Susnak  
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 Sarah Jacklynn VanderKlok  
 Sydney Anne vanOverbeek  
 Kimberly Dawn VanOverloop  
 Rachael Marie Walters  
 Ryan Scott Walters  
 Benjamin Michael Weaver  
 Jeremiah John Wenger  
 Garret Scott White  
 Jacob Thomas Wielinga  
 Madelynn Ann Willemstein  
 Chad Robert Willett  
 Cuerstan Marie Wise  
 Rachel Marie Wittenbach  
 Kaylee Suzann Wold  
 Alexander Cole Woodman  
 Jonathan Hunter Wyckoff  
 Shelby Morgan Young  
 Katelyn Ashleigh Yuhas



# Awards and Scholarship recipients for 2014

**Sidney Nicole Anderson**

LowellArts! Players Scholarship

**Shelby Alayne Antel**

The Louise Harper Memorial Scholarship

**Kiersten Ann Ashenbrenner**

The Thomas Wilcox Scholarship

**Paula Renee Barlas**

The Jack Frost Design Scholarship

**Nickolas Anthony Barton**

Kent Career Technical Center Skills USA Regional Qualifier

**Kortney Ann Beachler**

The Andrea Herrera Memorial Scholarship, The Jack Frost Memorial Scholarship

**Connor Smalligan Bergin**

The Lowell Rotary Club Hahn Scholarship

**Patrick Anthony Bertone-Haywood**

Calvin College Mosaic Award

**Ashley Marie Bitely**

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**Michael Edward Blake**

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**Lauren Kay Blanchard**

The Babe & Evelyn Wingeier Scholarship

**Brie Anne Blattner**

The LHS Academic Boosters scholarship, Northern Michigan University Waldo Scholarship and Excellence Award

**Emmalee Euzefa Mae Blough**

The Michigan State University Englehardt Scholarship, The Earl Posthumus Memorial Alto Lions Scholarship, Lowell Education Association Dependent Scholarship, The Ilene Roth LESPA Dependent Scholarship, National FFA Wilbur-Ellis Company Agribusiness Division Scholarship, Lowell FFA Siler FFA Scholarship

**Brittany Susanne Branagan**

The Kathy Talus Memorial Scholarship, The Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, The Woody LAS Memorial Scholarship

**Isaac Lee Brenner**

Aquinas College Presidential Leadership Scholarship

**Travis Christopher Brubaker**

Calvin College Faculty Honors Scholarship

**Monica Jolynne Bussell**

The Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, Alma College Presidential Scholarship, Alma College Distinguished Trustee Scholarship, Alma College Theatre Scholarship

**Katherine Sue Canfield**

The Lowell Women's Club Scholarship

**Makela Lani Chapman**

Calvin College Knollcrest Scholarship

**Alex Chavez**

University of Dayton Father Chaminade Scholarship

**Levi James Churches**

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**Abigail Bethany Cummings**

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**Alyssa Alexandra Darby**

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**Ryan Neil DenBraven**

Grand Valley State University Award for Excellence, Grand Valley State University Award of Distinction Faculty Scholarship

**Nicholas Scott DeVito**

The Grand Rapids Building Services Scholarship

**Allysen Marie Dubisky**

The Peter & Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship, Grand Valley State University Award for Excellence, Oakland University Geographic Region Award, Oakland University Distinguished Scholar Award

**Erin Marie Duma**

The Lowell Women's Club Scholarship, Aquinas College Academic Leadership Scholarship

**Isaac Andrew Duma**

Northern Michigan University Honors Award

**Haley Nicole Epema**

Grand Valley State University Laker Scholarship

**Madeline Rose Falkenstern**

Rachel Penninga Award, The Englehardt Scholarship, Aquinas College Academic Leadership Scholarship

**Hannah Rose Fitzpatrick**

University of Detroit-Mercy Jesuit-Mercy Scholarship

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The Alto Lions Scholarship, The Lowell Women's Club Scholarship, Calvin College Dean's Scholarship, Calvin College Gerald & Joyce DeNooyer Family Scholarship, Albion College Trustee Scholarship

**Morgan Colleen Fuller**

The Lowell Women's Club Scholarship, Oakland University Geographic Region Award, Oakland University Talented Scholar Award, Aquinas College Academic Leadership Scholarship

**Garrett Lee Gordon**

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**Parker Durant Groom**

The Peter & Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship

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**Brittney Lynn Heikkila**

Ferris State University Dean's Scholarship

**Grace Megan Inda**

The Lowell Bus Drivers Scholarship

**Bailey Donovan Jack**

The Carrol (Chris) and Helen Burch Memorial Scholarship, The Austin Lancaster Memorial Scholarship, The James Edward Hale Scholarship

**Moses Kabandana**

Calvin College Warners Family of Faith Scholarship, Calvin College Entrada Scholarship, Calvin College Mosaic Award, Calvin College Heart & Hand Award

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**Jordan Marie Kazen**

The Ilene Roth LESPA Dependent Scholarship

**Derek Michael Krajewski**

The Ernie Blasher Scholarship

**Mallory Rose Kramer**

The Lowell Women's Club Scholarship

**Austin Thomas Krebill**

Grand Valley State University Award for Excellence, Aquinas College Academic Leadership Scholarship

**Colleen Gentry Lally**

The Peter & Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship, Aquinas College Academic Leadership Scholarship

**Jordan Nicole Lytle**

Grand Valley State University Trotter Tri-County Scholarship, Oakland University Geographic Region Award

**Catherine Marie Majinska**

The Lowell Bus Drivers Scholarship

**Alyssa Marie McCormick**

Oakland University Geographic Region Award, Oakland University Academic Achievement Award

**Paige Christine McKenna**

Albion College Presidential Scholarship, Oakland University Geographic Region Award, Oakland University Talented Scholar Award

**Joshua Alan-Lee Menzel**

The Shari Miller Scholarship, The Edwin F. Doyle Scholarship, The Ilene Roth LESPA Dependent Scholarship

**Andrew Michael Metternick**

Grand Valley State University Award for Excellence

**Carl Dale Mitchell**

The Peter & Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship

**Jacob Marshall North**

The Peter & Evelyn Speerstra Scholarship, Grand Valley State University Award for Excellence

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Aquinas College Presidential Leadership Scholarship

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**Benjamin Wayne Peterson**

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**McKenzie Lynn Slupe**

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**Jacob Paul Sweet**

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**Rachael Marie Walters**

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**Rachel Marie Wittenbach**

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Northern Michigan University Success Award

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# Lowell High School lists top students in the class of 2014



**Valedictorian**  
**Kanon Dean** – 4.467  
Kanon is the son of Noel and Jill Dean



**Salutatorian**  
**Jessica Graves** – 4.291  
Jessica is the daughter of Paul and Harriet Graves



**Quinn Summerfield** – 3.95  
Quinn is the son of Mark and Laurie Summerfield



**Randal Brinks** – 3.951  
Randal is the son of Ray and Rhonda Brinks



**Alex Kaminski** – 3.975  
Alex is the son of Dave and Beth Kaminski



**Brittany Heikkila** – 3.976  
Brittany is the daughter of Ed and Diane Heikkila



**Morgan Fuller** – 3.994  
Morgan is the daughter of Jeff and Kelly Fuller.



**Colleen Lally** – 4.012  
Colleen is the daughter of Michael and Jane Lally



**Jacob Stephens** – 4.024  
Jacob is the son of Dan and Kim Stephens



**Rachael Walters** – 4.03  
Rachael is the daughter of Scott and Kati Walters



**Matthew Lazar** – 4.03  
Matthew is the son of Ed and Michelle Lazar



**Brianne Kane-Langlois** – 4.031  
Brianne is the daughter of Christina Troost and Scott Langlois



**Jeffrey Houston** – 4.042  
Jeffrey is the son of Keith and Nancy Houston



**Kaeziah Bladey** – 4.049  
Kaeziah is the daughter of Jesse and Sara Bladey



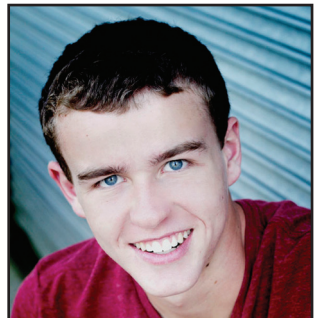
**Shelby Antel** – 4.049  
Shelby is the daughter of Tim and Joyce Antel.



**Makenzie Frederickson** – 4.055  
Makenzie is the daughter of Fionna and Lyle Frederickson



**Kortney Beachler** – 4.065  
Kortney is the daughter of Phil and Christine Beachler



**Jacob North** – 4.067  
Jacob is the son of John and Tonia North.



**Benjamin Peterson** – 4.069  
Benjamin is the son of Dave Peterson.



**Cassandra Flier** – 4.072  
Cassandra is the daughter of Andrew and Kim Flier



**Matthew Reitsma** – 4.073  
Matthew is the son of James and Laura Reitsma



**Connor Bergin** – 4.073  
Connor is the son of Ted Bergin and Lorain Smalligan



**Bailey Jack** – 4.074  
Bailey is the son of Karen and Glen Jack



**Marc Vandenberg** – 4.078  
Marc is the son of Bert and Lorie Vandenberg



**Haley Epema** – 4.085  
Haley is the daughter of Randy and Kim Epema



**Paige McKenna** – 4.091  
Paige is the daughter of Chris and Monica McKenna



**Carl Mitchell** – 4.092  
Carl is the son of Edmund and Michelle Mitchell



**Brie Blattner** – 4.097  
Brie is the daughter of Jill and Tony Blattner



**Kyler Shurlow** – 4.105  
Kyler is the son of David and Kari Shurlow



**Ryan DenBraven** – 4.115  
Ryan is the son of Glen and Kathlyn DenBraven



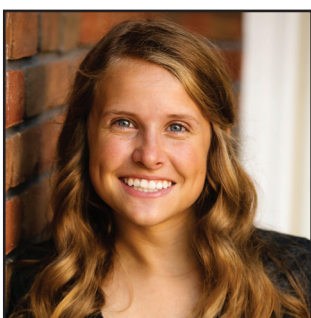
**Morgan Groendyke** – 4.127  
Morgan is the daughter of Jessica and Ryan Malcolm



**Lauren Blanchard** – 4.139  
Lauren is the daughter of Doug and Anna Blanchard



**Parker Groom** – 4.152  
Parker is the son of Terrand and Sue Groom



**Emmalee Blough** – 4.161  
Emmalee is the daughter of Gary and Laurie Blough



**Erin Duma** – 4.17  
Erin is the daughter of Andrew and Kathleen Dum



**Allysen Dubisky** – 4.17  
Allysen is the daughter of Bob and Denise Dubisky



**Benjamin Bigham** – 4.206  
Benjamin is the son of Andrew and Diane Bigham



**Rachel Wittenbach** – 4.233  
Rachel is the daughter of Renee and Denny Wittenbach



**Abby Petroelje** – 4.242  
Abby is the daughter of Dan and Jan Petroelje



**Madelynn Willemstein** – 4.27  
Madelynn is the daughter of Wayne and Jamee Willemstein.





# Graduation, continued

"And then I realized what I wanted to say. I want you to make a promise to yourself to take time to enjoy the beautiful moments that you have ahead in your life."

Salutatorian Jessica Graves recognized the class's forty graduates

earning summa cum laude honors during their high school careers.

Graves encouraged her fellow classmates to continue their individual pursuits of happiness and success keeping in mind that the key to that lies within themselves.

Valedictorian, Kanon Dean spoke of the challenges ahead and the necessity of thinking beyond "artificial markers of success," such as letter grades, GPAs and ACT and continuing to employ the ethics of giving that they have been taught

by their families and the staff and faculty at LHS.

Superintendent Greg Pratt offered advice to the class touching on the role that failure will play in their eventual success.

"In those moments when you make mistakes

know that failure is a great teacher and as a great teacher you will learn from each of those instances."

Pratt closed with the school's own motto, "Class of 2014, as you celebrate this momentous accomplishment I want to encourage you to set your goals high, be brave, be self sufficient, be happy, be of good character, learn lessons from your failures, be respectful and responsible, be a good citizen, a good friend, a good son or a good daughter. Be learners today, leaders tomorrow and Red Arrows for life."

The presentation of diplomas was led by class president Nick Smith who read off the names as they headed across the stage to pick up their diplomas from

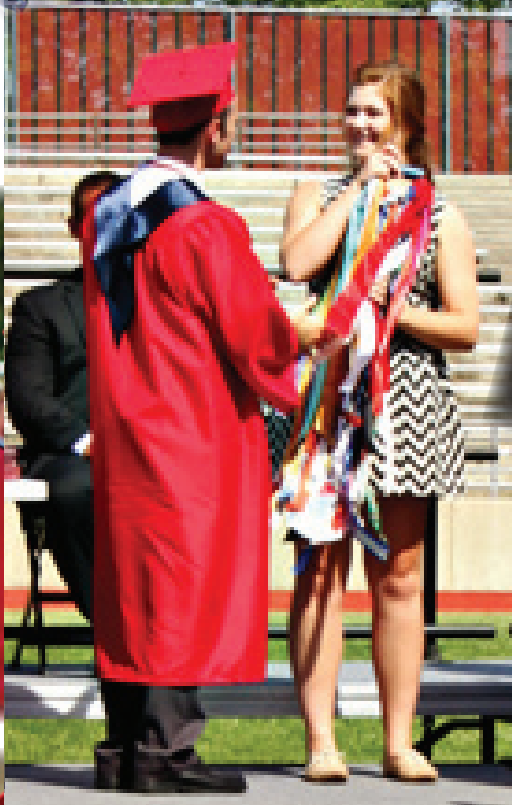
representatives from the Lowell Board of Education and be congratulated by principals, Pallo, Dee Crowley, Dustin Cichocki, and Sue Sweet from Unity High School.

Smith then took part in the long school tradition of the Passing of the Spade to 2015 class president Paige Wilson concluding his role in the commencement program.

Pallo then asked the graduates to rise and presented the students to the audience as the graduated class of 2014. Amidst the roaring applause and excitement mortar board caps took to the air and the students began to run across the field toward their futures.











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# Seniors "give back"

by Kathryn Atwood  
contributing reporter

The fourth annual Senior Give Back Day was held on May 20 throughout the greater Lowell community with the members of the class of 2014 participating.

From the Lowell Chamber of Commerce to Flat River Outreach Ministries to Gilda's Club and beyond, teams of seniors volunteered to perform a variety of activities, which included general maintenance, yard work, cleaning and organizing.

Teacher Chaye Klomprens, who helps plan the event along with assistant principal Dee Crowley, said that the members of her student

leadership class took on a major role in planning the event as well.

"The organization of the day is a final project for them. This year the students contacted the locations, food service, bus garage and assigned their peers to the various locations. They did an awesome job while putting their organizational and communication skills to work."

Klomprens went on to say that the class of 2014 has managed to achieve this balance strikingly well.

"This year's graduating class has been one of my all-time favorites! This class is full of leadership, intelligence and dedication. Watch out world!"



Members of the class of 2014 worked on the grounds of Gilda's Club as part of their final service learning project.



## At Your Local Library

Kent District Library programs at Englehardt Branch, 200 N. Monroe St. For additional information call 616-784-2007.

### Foraging: Wild Plants for Food and Medicine -

Join herbalist and forager Lisa Rose Starner to learn about local plants and "weeds" that can be used for food and herbal medicine. For adults, Monday, June 2, 6:30 pm.

### Teen Film Festival 2014 Encore -

Due to popular demand, KDL is proud to offer another screening of the 2014 KCTFF! If you missed it the first time or just want to relive the awesomeness, here is your chance. Plus, learn how you can enter the 2015 Festival. While you are here enjoy some pizza from local pizzerias. For teens (grades 6-12), Tuesday, June 10, 1:00 pm.

### Magic with Tom Plunkard -

An amazing program filled with live animals and loads of audience participation. For all ages, Wednesday, June 11, 6:30 pm.

**Art Attack** - Exercise your creativity! Make paintings, sculptures, prints and mosaics to take home with you. Sponsored by Karl Orthodontics. For all ages, Thursday, June 12, 10:00 am.

### The National Park Service Presents North Country Trail -

Learn about the longest trail in the nation, right in our

own backyards, from Mark Weaver, the National Park Service superintendent of the North Country National Scenic Trail. For adults, Monday, June 16, 6:30 pm.

### Let's Explore Geodes! -

Join geologist Steve Tchozeski to learn about the mysteries of geodes and get a hands-on chance to explore what is inside. Participants will select a geode to take home with them! For ages 6 and older, Tuesday, June 17, 6:30 pm.

### Teddy Bear Clinic -

Bring your teddy bear or favorite stuffed animal friend to the library for a quick check-up. Learn ways to keep them healthy and happy and even get a clean bill of health. For ages 6 and younger. Thursday, June 19, 10:00 am.

### Book Buddies -

Ever want to read to a princess, race car driver or a dinosaur? Now you can! Come check out a Book Buddy from the library and spend 10 minutes reading your favorite book together! There will be lots of special characters to choose from and each one is excited to hear you read. This is a special partnership between the United Way, the Grand Rapids Public Library and Kent District Library. For families, Saturday, June 21, 10:00 am.

### DIY Spa Products for Teens -

Create everything you need for your own spa day! Make your own pampering products like foot scrub, bath salts and body glitter and take some home. For teens (grades 6-12), Tuesday, June 24, 1:00 pm.

### The Science of Us with the World's Coolest Nerd -

Miss Cari's interactive science demonstration on the five senses will have children laughing and learning about how they are a walking piece of science. For all ages, Thursday, June 26, 10:00 am.

# Honors night at LHS

by Kathryn Atwood  
contributing reporter

One hundred and twenty members of Lowell High School's (LHS) graduating class of 2014 were recently recognized for outstanding academic achievements at Senior Honors Night.

LHS principal Amy Pallo opened up the evening event, held at the Lowell Performing Arts Center on May 20, with a brief introduction.

"Senior Honors Night is one of the most exciting nights of the year. Not only do we get to watch our students receive well-deserved scholarships, but we also get to see our students recognized for their hard work, time and talent. Tonight we celebrate the good stuff and this is fun!" Pallo then welcomed assistant principals, Dee Crowley and Dustin Cichocki; and counselors RJ Boudro, Nicole Deckrow and Tory Parsons; to the

stage to assist in honoring those students earning academic distinction honors. The team awarded each student their earned sashes and tassels along with congratulations. This year's list of honor students included an astounding forty students graduating with summa cum laude honors, indicating a grade point average (GPA) of 3.9 or higher.

Accomplished student and athlete Jessica Graves, daughter of Paul and Harriet Graves, earned the position of salutatorian with a 4.291 GPA. Kanon Dean, son of Noel and Jill Dean, earned the class's top honor representing the class of 2014 as valedictorian boasting a GPA of 4.467. Graves will be attending Western Michigan University to study biomedical sciences and chemical engineering. Dean will attend Harvard

College where he plans to study economics, political science and English.

Class president Nick Smith offered a short address to those in attendance before Crowley, who also serves as athletic director, took to the podium to present certificates to those students who attained success both academically and athletically during their high school careers. "This year we have 55 OK Conference Scholar Athlete award winners. That is a great number to have. I think it is one of our largest numbers ever."

Local scholarships representing more than \$86,000 were awarded by special presenters and community members and departmental awards in subjects from art to social studies were presented by the LHS staff to wrap up the celebratory event.



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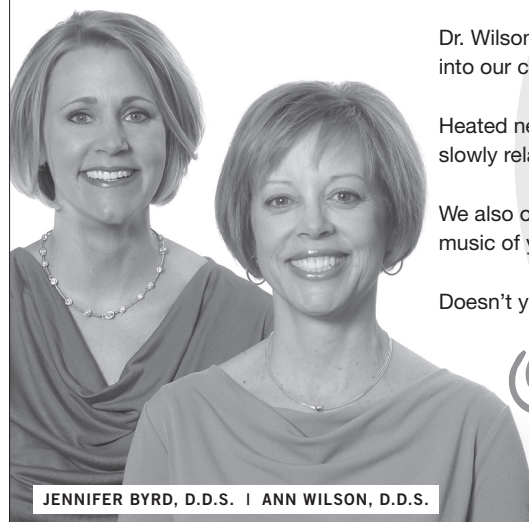
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# obituaries

## KREBS

Harold William Krebs, of Boyne City formerly of Grand Rapids, age 88, passed away Friday, May 30, 2014. He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Marie "Mary" Krebs; brothers, George, and Clare. He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Gladys; children, Nancy (Chuck) Garber, Christine (Bill) Brooks; brother, David (Sue) Krebs; sister, Irma Porter; brother-in-law, Jerry Posthumus; sisters-in-law, Mary Krebs, Teresa Posthumus, Fran (Keith) Blough, Peg (Hayes) Cargill; grandchildren, Mathew (Susan) Garber, Alexander (Vanessa) Garber, Carmandy Garber, Elizabeth Hackett, Marianne Watkins, Jessica (Art) Vallad, Melanie (Dan) Lewis; great grandchildren, Amanda, Marcus, Raeanna, Alissa, Abigail, Caiden, Elijah, Ava, and Fiona. Funeral service will be held Thursday 11:00 a.m. at Cascade Christian Church, 2829 Thornapple River Drive S.E., Grand Rapids. Pastor Jill Forton officiating. Interment Bowne Center Cemetery. Visitation Wednesday 7-9:00 p.m. at O'Brien-Eggebeen-Gerst Chapel, 3890 Cascade Rd. S.E., Grand Rapids. Memorial Contributions may be made to Cascade Christian Chapel, 2829 Thornapple River Drive S.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49546, or American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 888877, Grand Rapids, MI 49588-8877, or Arthritis Foundation, 3737 Lake Eastbrook S.E., Suite 217, Grand Rapids, MI 49546.



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## HAWKINS

Mary A Hawkins, 57, of Stephenson, passed away on Sunday, May 25, 2014, at her home. Born Mary Ann Manszewski to Edward and Edeltraud Manszewski on September 12, 1956, in Au Gres, Michigan. She leaves behind her beloved husband, William A Hawkins, originally from Caledonia, the pillar of her life for the last seventeen years. She is survived by her father, Edward Manszewski; brothers, John Manszewski, Robert Manszewski, and Joe Manszewski; sisters, Monica (Bill) Burt and Kerry (Bill) Rupley; nieces and nephews, Chad Gutierrez, Kyle (Jamie) Manszewski, Katlin (Liz) Manszewski, William Burt, Briana Manszewski, Noah Burt, Hannah Burt, Kaden Johannsen, Klayton Johannsen, Corey Johannsen; and many more great family and friends. Mary loved yard sales, road trips and the great outdoors. Boy could she catch the blue gills!!! Mary will be cremated and the family will be dedicating a memorial garden later this summer. Anderson Diehm Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed at www.andersondiehm.com

## RYAN

Sharon Kay Ryan, age 56 of Lowell, passed away unexpectedly Friday, May 30, 2014. She was preceded in death by her parents, Dan and Helen Miller. She is survived by her husband of 34 years, Dan; son, Pat; sister, Debbie (Tim) Yalacki; brother, Gary (Kathy) Barnette; special niece, Nikki Yalacki; and several other nieces and nephews. Sharon worked at the Lowell Meijer for 11 years. A Memorial Graveside Service will be held Wednesday 1:00 p.m. at Oakwood Cemetery, Lowell, Michigan. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 888877, Grand Rapids, MI 49588-8877.

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Another major Michigan contribution is the important role our state's automotive excellence plays in providing the safest, most capable ground vehicles for our troops. The central hub for much of that activity is the Army Tank and Automotive Research, Developing and Engineering Center (TARDEC) in Warren.

TARDEC is the Pentagon's leading laboratory for research and development of advanced military ground vehicle technologies, including efforts to develop protection against rocket propelled grenades, improvised explosive devices and explosively formed projectiles; advanced materials for vehicle armor; more efficient engines; fuel cell and hybrid electric vehicles; unmanned ground vehicles; and technology partnerships with the automotive industry. The \$182.9 billion in TARDEC funding included in our bill ensures that this important work will continue.

The bill also includes funding for the programs of the Army's TACOM Life Cycle Management Command in Warren. This is the Army's lead organization for the development, acquisition, and support of ground vehicle combat, automotive and armaments technologies and systems. It manages programs including the Abrams main battle tank, Bradley Fighting Vehicle, Stryker Armored Vehicle, Mine Resistant Ambush Protected vehicle and more.

There are a host of other Michigan-related projects and programs in the bill, including:

- \$35.1 million for replacement of the fuel distribution facilities at Selfridge. Without this project, the base would be hampered by delays in refueling wide-bodied aircraft.
- \$6 million to support establishment of an MQ-9 Reaper Remote Split Operations unit at Battle Creek Air National Guard Base. Battle Creek has been selected as a site for remote operation of this unmanned aerial vehicle, which is playing an increasingly important role in national security, and this funding will help create the necessary facilities.
- \$1.4 billion for Littoral Combat Ship (LCS) construction. Marinette Marine, just across the Michigan border in Wisconsin, is one of two shipyards building LCS, employs several hundred Michigan residents and

relies on many Michigan suppliers.

- \$385.1 million for the Army's Stryker armored vehicle. General Dynamics Land Systems of Sterling Heights is the prime contractor for the Stryker armored vehicle and many Michigan companies serve as suppliers.

- \$276.3 million for the Tomahawk cruise missile. Williams International in Walled Lake manufactures the engines for these missiles.

- \$261 million for the Abrams Main Battle Tank program. General Dynamics Land Systems of Sterling Heights is the prime contractor for the Abrams program and more than 200 Michigan companies serve as suppliers.

- \$144.4 million for Bradley Fighting Vehicle modifications, and \$126.4 million for the Army's Improved Recovery Vehicle, which the Army uses to rescue and recover other armored vehicles on the battlefield. L-3 of Muskegon is a major contractor for both programs.

- \$28.4 million for the Family of Heavy Tactical Vehicles. Detroit Diesel manufactures and supplies the engine for this program.

- \$7.6 million for the Family of Medium Tactical Vehicles (FMTV). Meritor of Troy, AAR Mobility of Cadillac and a number of other Michigan companies are involved in FMTV production.

- \$4.5 million for the Lightweight 155mm Howitzer. Howmet Castings of Whitehall is a major contractor for this program.

- \$49.2 million for a next generation infantry fighting vehicle. General Dynamics Land Systems and BAE, both of Sterling Heights, are contractors who have been involved in this technology development program.

- \$25 million for the DoD STARBASE program. STARBASE, which got its start in Michigan, is a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education program run by the Department of Defense for elementary school students. STARBASE operates 76 locations in 40 states. Michigan has three DoD STARBASE programs located at Selfridge Air National Guard Base in Harrison Township, where the program originated in 1991; Kellogg Air National Guard Base in Battle Creek; and Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center in Alpena.

## JIM ALEXANDER

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In loving memory,  
A year has passed  
since you left us,  
and every day in  
some small way,  
we miss you more  
than words can say.  
In our hearts you will  
always stay loved and  
remembered every day.

Wife Mae Dean,  
daughter Mary & Bob Ford;  
daughter Carrie & Joe Kiczenski;  
grandchildren and great-grandchildren

## George Allan Raimer

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*Though your smile is gone forever,  
and your hands we cannot touch,  
We still have many memories  
of the one we loved so much.  
Your memory is our keepsake,  
with which we'll never part.  
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We have you in our hearts*

*Sadly missed but never  
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## sales

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## card of thanks

Thanks to everyone for the cards, visits, food and flowers. Also a big thank you to my daughters and grandchildren for all the care you have provided me since my fall.

Love you all,  
 Joyce VanDyke

## memorials

In loving memory  
**Cheryl Murphy**  
 10/31/55 - 6/8/2010  
**Jerry Strauss**  
 11/1/47 - 8/4/2010  
 We do not need a special day, to bring you to our minds.  
 The days we do not think of you, are hard to find.  
 Your family

In Memory  
**John DeHaan**  
 10/20/1918 - 3/5/2004  
**Gertrude DeHaan**  
 11/21/1919 - 6/29/2012  
 Miss you both.  
 Love,  
 your family

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**WOMEN OF THE MOOSE** - third Monday at 7:30 p.m. for business meeting.

**ALTO AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY** - meets the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Alto American Legion Post.

**V.F.W. POST #8303** - meets the first Monday at 7 p.m. at 3116 Alden Nash S.E.

**LOWELL SHOWBOAT GARDEN CLUB** - meets the 3rd Monday in the Church of the Nazarene Fellowship Hall, 211 N. Washington St. at 6:30 p.m.

**BOY SCOUT TROOP 102** - every Monday, 7-8:30 p.m. during school year in Scout Cabin at the end of N. Washington St. Ages 11 and up or completing 5th grade. Call Scoutmaster Don Aversano at 847-571-8373 or Del Rockwell at 897-6814.

**TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY TOPS MI #372** - every Tuesday, weigh-ins at 5:45 p.m. Key Heights, 11335 Fulton, Lowell.

**CUB SCOUT PACK 3188** - meets every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 621 E. Main.

**QUA-KE-ZIK SPORTSMANS CLUB** - meets second and third Tuesdays at 8 p.m. at 8731 West Riverside Dr. Go to www.qua-ke-zik.org for information. New members welcome.

**LOWELL LIONS CLUB** - meets third Tuesday at noon at Lowell City Hall.

**LOWELL AMATEUR RADIO CLUB** - meets the 2nd Saturday at Flat River Outreach Ministries, 11535 E. Fulton, 9 a.m. social gathering; 10 a.m. meeting. LARC sponsors 145.27 MHz area radio repeater system.

**FLAT RIVER OUTREACH MINISTRIES THRIFT STORE** - is open Wed. & Fri. 10 - 8 p.m.; Thurs. 10-6; Sat., 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at 11535 Fulton St. E. Thrift Shop, 897-8260; Food Pantry, 897-8260; Emergency Services, 897-8260.

**ALPHA WOMEN'S CENTER** - 517 E. Main. Hours: Mon. 11-3 p.m.; Tues. 12-8 p.m.; Wed. 10-3 p.m.; Thurs. 10-6 p.m. 987-9533. Diapers, formula, clothing & free pregnancy testing available. www.awclowell.org

**TEDDY BEAR CLINIC** - Thurs., June 19, 10 a.m. Bring your favorite stuffed animal friend for a quick checkup for ages 6 & younger at Englehardt Public Library, 200 N. Monroe, Lowell. Ph. 784-2007.

**AVERILL HISTORICAL MUSEUM OF ADA** - 7144 Headley, is open every Friday & Saturday 1 - 4 p.m. or by appointment. Closed Jan. & Feb. 676-9346.

**ALTO LIBRARY HOURS:** Tues. & Wed., 12 - 8 p.m.; Mon. & Sat., 9:30-1:30 p.m.; Thurs., 1-5 p.m. Info., call 784-2007.

**ENGLEHARDT LIBRARY HOURS** - Mon.-Wed., noon - 8 p.m.; Thurs. & Fri., 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sat., 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. 784-2007.

**LOWELL ARTS! GALLERY HOURS** - Mon. - Fri., 10 - 6 p.m.; Sat., 1-4 p.m.; 149 S. Hudson. Visit www.lowellartsmi.org or call 897-8545.

**MOMS IN TOUCH INTERNATIONAL** - Thursdays, 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. at Friendship Country Chapel, 10200 Grand River Ave. Moms & grandmas come pray for our kids & schools. Contact Missy at 308-7920 or missykooistra@gmail.com with any questions.

**FREE ALL VETS COFFEE HOUR** - Third Thurs. of each month. Bring a friend. Lowell Veteran's Center, 3100 Alden Nash, Lowell. Call 868-7426 or 897-8303 for more information.

**MOTHERS WHO HAVE OR HAVE HAD** - sons/daughters serving in the military. We are meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of every month. For more info call Sally 616-761-2042.

**LOWELL AREA PRAYER & HEALING ROOMS** - located in the FROM building, 11535 Fulton Street, most Monday evenings, 6-8 p.m. Christian Scripture based. No cost or fees, no appointment necessary, confidentiality respected.

**ROCKETS ARE A BLAST** - Thurs., June 19, 1:30 p.m. Learn all about building & launching model rockets. Participate in will collaborate on a rocket build & learn about upcoming launches. Pre-registration is required & spots are limited. For ages 6 & older. Alto Branch Library, 6071 Linfield Ave., Alto, 616-784-2007.

**KENT COUNTY NARFE GROUP** - for retired & current federal employees meet the 2nd Thursday at Trinity Lutheran Church, 2700 E. Fulton, 1/2 mile west of E. Beltline. Potluck at 12:30 p.m. & meeting begins at 1:30 p.m. Call Ed Moore for time, 616-784-6716.

**ALTO LIONS CLUB** - Meets 1st & 3rd Thursday at 7 p.m. at Keiser's Kitchen.

**COFFEE WITH THE COUNCIL** - Come meet & have a cup of coffee with your city councilmembers. First Saturday of each month at the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce office, 113 Riverwalk Plaza, Lowell. 8 a.m. - 10 a.m.

**CIVIL AIR PATROL** - Meets the second & fourth Tues. of the month, 6 p.m., Benz Aviation Building at Ionia Airport, teen/adult programs available, Call Shawna, 616-430-1348 or visit online http://mi222.miwg-cap.org



THEME: TV SHOWS

ACROSS

- 1. Thoroughly enjoy, as in food
- 6. European peak
- 9. Gulf war missile
- 13. \*Howdy Doody's partner "\_\_\_\_\_bell"
- 14. Singular of #29
- 15. \_\_\_\_\_ Apso
- 16. \*Alf was one
- 17. Back then
- 18. Painter's support
- 19. \*Phil, Si, Jase, Willie and Jep made one
- 21. \*How I met your what?
- 23. \_\_\_\_\_ \*Homer's exclamation
- 24. Physicist Niels \_\_\_\_\_
- 25. Trigonometric func.
- 28. Cry like a baby
- 30. \*Both Jan and Peter were this type of child
- 35. Eye layer
- 37. Like a bow string
- 39. Jeopardy
- 40. Event that fails badly
- 41. Match play?
- 43. Of the highest quality
- 44. One of three hipbones
- 46. Eye affliction
- 47. Classic sci-fi video game
- 48. \*Ty Burrell to Julie Bowen, e.g.
- 50. Biblical twin
- 52. Pressure unit
- 53. Brooding
- 55. \*"The Closer" network
- 57. Neolithic tomb
- 60. \*"Game of \_\_\_\_\_"
- 64. Free-for-all
- 65. \*"\_\_\_\_-T" of "Law & Order: SVU"

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- 67. Muse of love poetry
- 68. Birdlike
- 69. "\_\_\_ Elise"
- 70. From the East
- 71. New Mexico art community
- 72. Asian capital
- 73. "Valley of the \_\_\_\_\_"
- 27. 18-wheelers
- 29. \*Storage-related conflicts
- 31. \*They walk?
- 32. Sag
- 33. Linoleums, for short
- 34. Fragrant resin
- 36. Adjoin
- 38. Misfit Island dwellers
- 42. Poet's "below"
- 45. \*Draper, Cooper, Sterling
- 49. Poor man's caviar
- 51. Like emails in bold font
- 54. Make one
- 56. Body center
- 57. Deity in Sanskrit
- 58. Assortment
- 59. Grassy land tracts
- 60. Seaside bird
- 61. Hit this on the head
- 62. And others, for short
- 63. \*"\_\_\_\_ of Anarchy"
- 64. Dojo turf
- 66. Pool stick
- 1. A large amount
- 2. Comrade in arms
- 3. "You're So \_\_\_\_\_" by Carly Simon
- 4. Artemis' companion
- 5. Kidnapping goal
- 6. Home versus \_\_\_\_\_ game
- 7. Time delay
- 8. Movie trailer, e.g.
- 9. \_\_\_\_\_ of Iran
- 10. \_\_\_\_\_ Detective's assignment
- 11. One who takes drugs
- 12. Indian restaurant staple
- 15. Talk rapidly and angrily
- 20. It follows eta
- 22. Unit of electrical resistance
- 24. Bravado
- 25. Having three dimensions
- 26. Convex molding

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"My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive; and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humor, and some style."

~ Maya Angelou, 1928 - 2014



MAY 28 - JUNE 3

- Emmy Award-winning actress Ann B. Davis, died Sunday at 88. She was best known for her role as housekeeper on "The Brady Bunch," and her died after a fall at her home.
- Bowe Bergdahl was captured by the Taliban June 30, 2009, after he walked away from his remote base, leaving his weapon behind. Close to 20 Taliban surrounded Bergdahl, as the 28-year-old was released during a prisoner exchange, after five years of captivity, and was hustled into a waiting helicopter this week.
- Author and poet Maya Angelou, 86, has died. The family statement read: "Dr. Maya Angelou passed quietly in her home before 8:00 a.m. EST. Her family is extremely grateful that her ascension was not belabored by a loss of acuity or comprehension. She lived a life as a teacher, activist, artist and human being. She was a warrior for equality, tolerance and peace. The family is extremely appreciative of the time we had with her and we know that she is looking down upon us with love."

Puzzle solutions on page 14

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THIS WEEK'S ONLINE POLL

Should the President have exchanged Taliban prisoners for Bowe Bergdahl's release?

- YES - We should never leave one of our own
- NO - We should never exchange prisoners
- I don't care

FOR THIS WEEK'S POLL VISIT  
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 thelowelledger.com



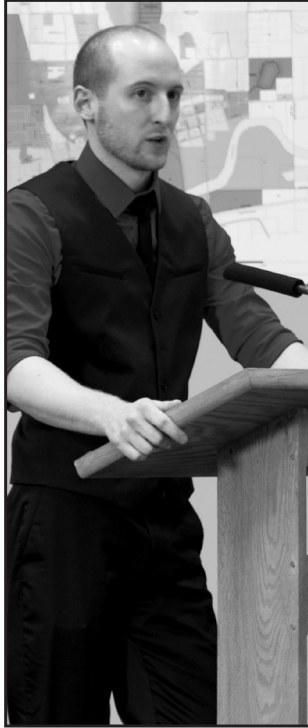
# City Council, continued

"It will attract numerous information technology-related entrepreneurs, establish software companies and many other businesses that see value in utilizing high bandwidth access to enter the growing digital marketplace."

Mortimer named three U.S. cities that he said successfully implemented fiber: Bristol, Va.; Lafayette, La.; and Chattanooga, Tenn.

"They report that they gave the city over \$50 million in new private investments," Mortimer said of Bristol, Va. "The OptiNet itself generates over 2,000 high-paying jobs and has a payroll greater than \$37 million."

Ryan Peel, owner of Vergennes Broadband LLC, said that his company had



David Mortimer says Lowell should have fiberoptic Internet.

no plans to offer Internet service within Lowell city limits.

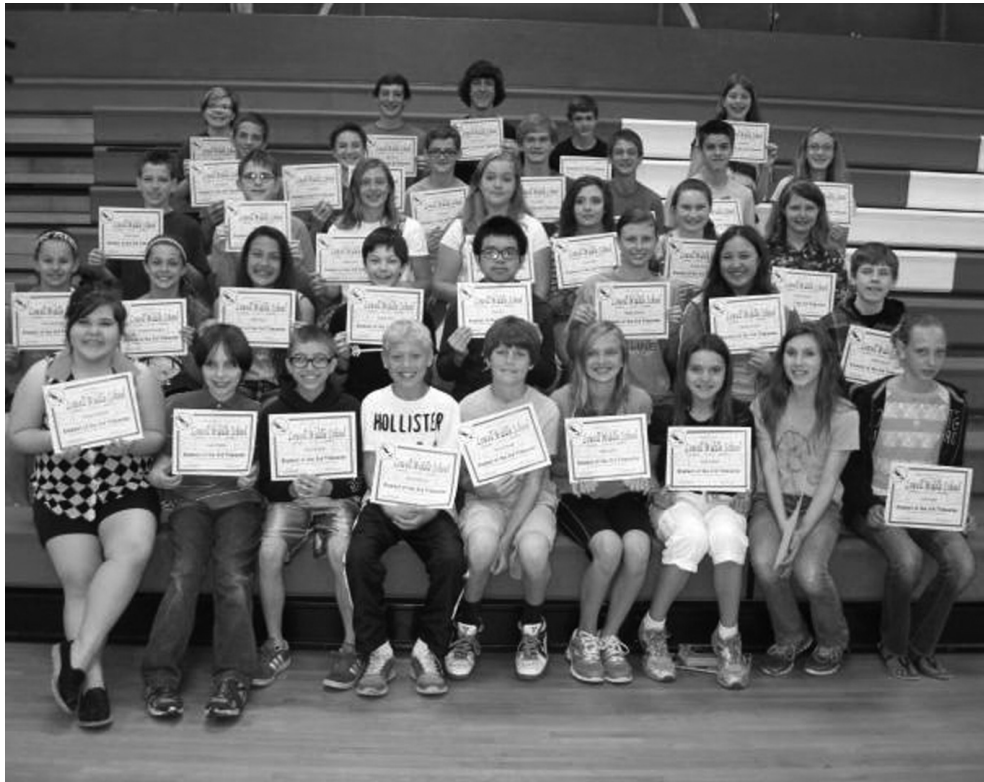
"We go head-to-head with Comcast and AT&T and it is very difficult to compete, basically because their prices are so low," Peel said. "We basically don't have a presence in the city of Lowell because of that. They cover just about everybody that's here. The outlying townships, that's a completely different story. That's part of my vision, has been to cover the more rural areas and not focus so much on town, just because of the options that already exist."

The next regular city council meeting will take place at City Hall on Monday, June 16 at 7 p.m.



Chris Schwab questions Mark Howe about firework's laws.

## LMS 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester kids



Teachers at Lowell Middle School select outstanding students in the categories of academics, citizenship and attitude each trimester. The following students have been selected as Students of the Third Trimester: Brad Baas, Keaton Bell, Jon Berklich, Emma Blakie, Josh Bush, Dawson Chapman, Gavin Coxon, Conner DeKok, Bernie Diekevers, Riley Fuller, Jaklyn Hayes, Shannon Havlik, Emily Hoeksema, Logan Hudson, Jade Johnson, Kambry Kloosterman, Ben Lobbezoo, William Martin, Bryce McCune, Blake McVey, Justin Oesch, Trevor Petroelje, Justin Plunkett, Morgan Polsgrove, Natalie Price, Mary Ricards, Leanna Rose, Kyla Sanders, Chloe Schmidt, Grace Sinen, Nolan Smith, Maggie Spoelstra, Matelyn Torline, Tony Tran, Abigail White, Natalie VanDyke and Kaia Zimmerman.

## Summer Reading at KDL

Last year, Kent District Library (KDL) had the busiest summer reading program of any public library system in Michigan with 29,579 participants. This year's Summer Reading @ KDL program runs from Monday, June 2 to Saturday, August 9. With reading activities and prizes for babies, kids, teens and adults, Summer Reading @ KDL offers something for everyone.

same tests at the beginning of summer vacation.

Sign up for Summer Reading @ KDL starting

June 2 at any of KDL's 18 branch locations. For more information, call 784-2007 or visit [www.kdl.org](http://www.kdl.org).

"Nothing can dim the light which shines from within."

~ Maya Angelou

## college news

Jessica Meyer, Lowell class of 2008, has graduated with honors from Sophia University in Tokyo Japan. She is employed by Daimler

Corporation, in Japan, in the finance department.

She is the daughter of John and Kim Meyer.

## South scores early in annual Food Fight



It's game on and defending champions, the South Lowell Team, is scoring big in the early minutes of the game, but the real winners will be families in the greater Lowell community. Now in its sixth year, Flat River Outreach Ministries' (FROM) Food Fight has raised over \$80,000 and collected more than 58,000 food items to help families facing hardships.

The premise is simple. With M-21 marking centerfield, the community is divided into the North Team and the South Team. Every dollar donated and each food item collected counts as one point for the team of your choice. It's been a tough competition for five years and South Lowell leads the series, three games to two.

The 2014 game promises to bring another year of great competition filled with some new fun. Mark your calendars and prepare for a great half-time show on Wednesday, June 18 from 4:30 - 7:30 pm on the front lawn at FROM. The Rotary Club of Lowell will be grilling hot dogs served with all the fixings and there will be face painting, games and more family fun.

If you bring your non-perishable foods to support the team of your choice to the Half-Time Show, you will receive a BOGO coupon for all clothing at Treasures Thrift Shop. Scores for the 2014 FROM Treasures provides gently used clothing, furniture and household items and is open to the public Wednesdays through Saturdays. Every time you shop or donate your gently used items to FROM you are helping to feed families,

provide utility assistance, rent assistance and so much more. Treasures Thrift Shop accounts for over 40 percent of FROM's annual budget.

Scores for the 2014 Food Fight will be published weekly in both the Buyers Guide and the Lowell Ledger. You can find out all the latest Food Fight specials and news at [www.fromlowell.org](http://www.fromlowell.org) and on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/fromlowell](http://www.facebook.com/fromlowell)

## CITY OF LOWELL KENT COUNTY, MICHIGAN

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 14-01 ADOPTED BY THE LOWELL CITY COUNCIL ON JUNE 2, 2014

Ordinance No. 14-01 was adopted by the Lowell City Council on June 2, 2014. Ordinance No. 14-01 adds Article V, "Fireworks", to Chapter 10, "Fire Prevention and Protection," of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell to comply with the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, Act 256 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 2011. It describes the terms and conditions for the sale, use, transport, display and discharge of fireworks in the City.

A copy of Ordinance No. 14-01 is available at the Lowell City Hall, 301 E. Main Street, Lowell, Michigan during regular business hours.

Ordinance No. 14-01 is effective 10 days after this publication.



Susan Ullery Deputy City Clerk



# Red Arrow - BASEBALL SPORTS

## On to regionals after district win

by Kathryn Atwood  
sports reporter

Red Arrow pride soared high when the young men of the varsity baseball team sailed past challengers Forrest Hills Northern and then clenched a nail-biting district win over Rockford in conference play at Northview High School last weekend.

Entering game one of the two-game district playoff in first place, the already highly successful squad faced the Huskies from Forest Hills Northern (FHN). Parker Groom stood tall on the hill racking up six strikeouts and allowing only one earned run, four hits and a single walk over five innings. He also excelled at the plate producing two RBIs off of four hits.

Scoring kicked off early for the Arrows when they earned three runs in the first inning off of two errors on behalf of the Huskies, an RBI triple from Garrett

Gordon and a double from Groom. The second inning led to another Arrow run, this time off of a passed ball, that plated Jeff Houston putting the score at 4-0 in Lowell's favor.

After a scoreless third for both teams the Arrows were at it again in the top of the fourth putting an additional three runs on the board stretching their lead over FHN to seven. The Huskies attempted a rally in the bottom of the inning and did manage to put up two, but their short effort was not enough and they went scoreless the rest of the game.

The Arrows on the other hand added an astounding nine additional runs to their tally in the fifth and sixth, bringing them to an impressive total of 14 hits in the game. They scored eight of those runs in the sixth inning off of stellas at bat, from Zach Gordon, Groom



The squad displayed their enthusiasm after knocking down FHN with an on-field celebration.



The victorious Red Arrows hoist their newly earned trophy to the sky.

and Shurlow who each smashed singles, an RBI double from G. Gordon and an impressive and highly-celebrated solo home run by senior Alex Chavez, ending the game triumphantly for the Arrows 16-2.

Game two of the playoffs pitted the red and black against formidable opponents the Rockford Rams. The low-scoring game added drama to the event by way of suspense for those in attendance and by way of pressure on freshman Melle who took to the mound for all seven innings of the championship outing. Melle worked well showing his future potential as part of the team by keeping the Rams down to a single run in combination with excellent field work from Houston and Jake

Stephens throughout the game.

The Arrows opened the game with one run in the top of the first, but went scoreless until the sixth when Groom sent out a single and then capitalized on an error by the Ram's catcher, advancing to second. G. Gordon followed that up with an RBI double scoring Groom.

Rockford put one up in the seventh but was unable to further their rally giving Lowell the district championship win with a final score of just 2-1. The squad was awarded a trophy and individual medals from a representative from the Michigan High School Athletic Association before celebrating their hard fought and well-earned victory on the field.

**Regional play off action will take place this Saturday at Rockford High School where the Arrows will face off against the Jenison Wildcats in round one of the semifinals at 12:30.**



Leading batter Parker Groom takes a swing against the Rams.

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## BOYS AND GIRLS SOCCER!!!

Lowell Area Select Soccer Organization (LASSO)

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12025 Grand River Dr. SE,  
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#### MAKE UP DATE:

**Monday,  
June 23, 2014**  
Same Schedule  
as listed

## Tuesday, June 17, 2014

#### GIRLS & BOYS 7-9

Reg. 5:00 pm  
Tryout 5:30-6:30 pm

#### GIRLS & BOYS 10-12

Reg. 6:00 pm  
Tryout 6:30 - 7:30 pm

#### GIRLS & BOYS 13-18

Reg. 7:00 pm  
Tryout 7:30 - 8:30 pm

*All ages by date  
of July 31st*

*Bring a  
soccer ball,  
shin guards &  
a water bottle*

For more information go to  
[www.lassosoccer.com](http://www.lassosoccer.com)

LASSO's goal is to provide a competitive club environment where dedicated boys and girls can develop their potential and receive quality instruction in an atmosphere of fun as their commitment to the sport of soccer grows.

**Any Questions contact Bob Dubisky at 616-990-2995**



# LHS 2014 Spring All-Conference athletes

Students pictured have earned All-Conference honors for spring sports and are listed below:

**SOCCER**

Lauren Blanchard 12

**SOFTBALL**

Bethany Dean 12  
Grace Quiggle 11

**BASEBALL**

Garrett Gordon 12  
Parker Groom 12  
Jarrod Melle 9  
Matthew Milstead 11  
and Kyler Shurlow 12

**LACROSSE**

Sawyer Olesko 10  
Anna Litchfield 10

**LACROSSE**

Quinn Summerfield 12  
Josiah Buys 12

**TENNIS**

Amanda Susnak 12

**TRACK**

Rachael Walters 12  
and  
Alon Watson 11

**MALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR**

Kanon Dean 12

**FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR**

Aubreigh Steed 12

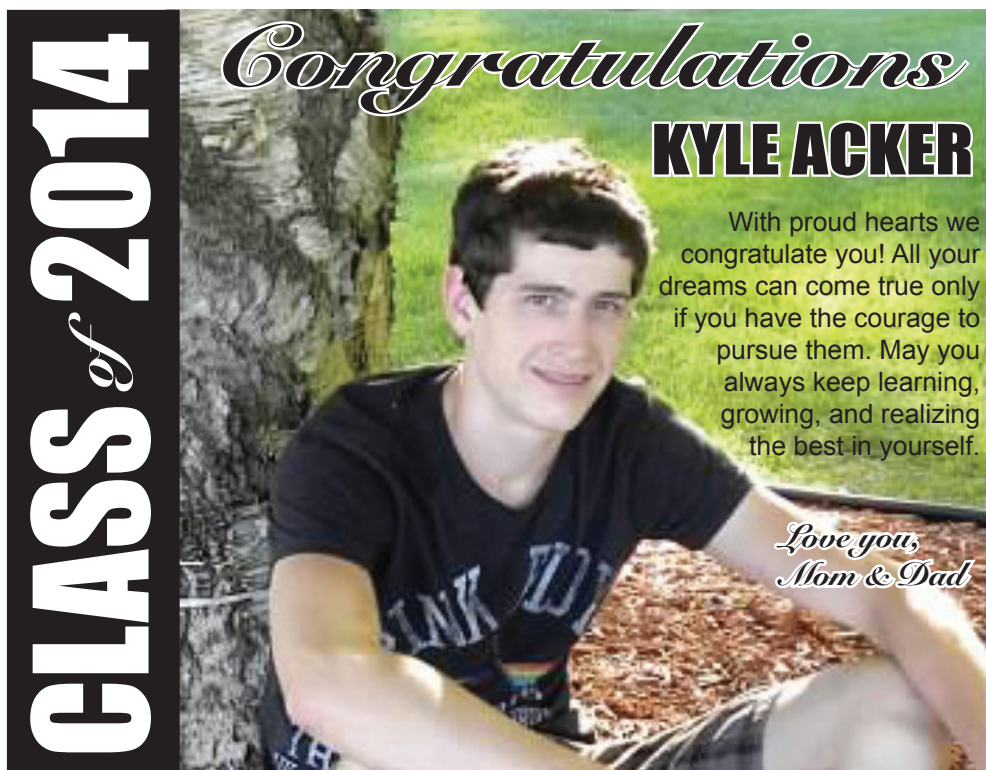


Lowell High School Spring All-Conference athletes. Students are not pictured in the order listed.



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"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

~ Maya Angelou, 1928 - 2014



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*From, Grandma & Grandpa DeYoung*