

Riverwalk Festival starts this Thursday

by Tim McAllister
contributing reporter

The highlight of summer in Lowell is always Riverwalk Festival, the two-night, three-day party the chamber of commerce throws downtown the second weekend in July. This year's Riverwalk Festival will take place on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 9, 10 and 11.

"The businesses on Main St. and the food establishments do very well during Riverwalk," said Liz Baker, Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce executive director. "We like people to patronize our businesses. If you just want to come and eat, there are lots of different things to eat. If you're just here to listen to entertainment you

can do that as well. Kids can go play in the Kid Zone and there's always lots of fun games for them to play."

The Riverwalk Festival will start Thursday, July 9, with live music by a country rock band from Kalamazoo.

"We are going to kick our festival off on Thursday night with a Sizzlin' Summer Concert," Baker said. "The Bronk Bros. will perform live on the Showboat."

The Duck Raffle is your chance to win a nice pile of money.

"Our Duck Raffle ticket sales will start that night as well," Baker said. "First prize is \$1,000, with five \$100 winners. Cold, hard cash."

Last year's pig roast

was such a huge success they ran out of pork.

"Thursday night we do the pig roast," Baker said. "When the festival started many, many years ago a pig roast was a big part of it. We brought it back last year and it was a hit. It was really good. We ran out of food, so our goal is to not run out."

Even if the pig roast does run out, there will be plenty of other food choices, including wood-fired pizzas from the Flat River Grill and about eight other food booths and trucks. Thomas Franklin of Tommy's Catering and Riverbend Bar & Grill in Ada grilled chicken wings and served 80 pounds of pulled pork at Riverwalk Festival in 2014.

"I cooked the pulled pork on Thursday," Franklin said. "I started it about 2:00 in the afternoon and let it go until 7:00 Friday morning, so it went about 15-16 hours."

There is a whole list of favorite activities that are returning for the entire three-day event.

"We're going to bring the free pontoon rides back this year," Baker said, "along with street entertainers, the cash bar on the Showboat [Friday], arts and crafts booths, the commercial vendors and the nonprofits, the classic cars will be back and the canoe and kayak race on the river will be back. Bill & Paul's Sporthaus is in charge of

that. There's no charge to be in it. We'd like to see that grow."

Englehardt Library's used book sale is always swamped with people looking for rare and out-of-print books.

"The Englehardt Library used book sale, that's a biggie. That's always a huge hit at the Riverwalk Festival," Baker said.

"We have this one real big book sale once a year," book sale volunteer Joy Smith said at Riverwalk Festival 2014. "It's a very, very good fundraiser for the library because they do many, many good things."

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Motorcycle auction to benefit Pink Arrow Pride

by Tim McAllister
contributing reporter

Pink Arrow Pride will be placing a very special bequest up for auction. Renee Grant, who lost her battle with cancer last December, willed her 2008 Yamaha V-Star 650 Custom motorcycle to Pink Arrow.

"This is really our first gift like this," Teresa Beachum, spokesperson for Pink Arrow Pride said. "We've never had anything like this. We find it wonderful. It was a substantial gift that we were not expecting. She also gave a cash gift to Pink Arrow Pride, which will entitle her to be on our t-shirt for two years. We hope that somebody comes along and appreciates the value that was in that motorcycle or maybe someone will even give beyond the value of that motorcycle knowing how many families will be helped. Last year 84 families were helped with a Pink Arrow financial gift in this community."

The motorcycle will be on display and bids will be accepted at Wittenbach GMC, 749 W. Main St. The bidding starts at \$3,000.

"It's going [to] be shown in the front window in the showroom," Beachum said. "It's a fully decked out

motorcycle. She didn't get a chance to ride it that much, there are less than 5,000 miles on it. It's gorgeous. It's a cream puff. There's not a scratch on it. It's got leather saddle bags, a map bag, an American flag on the back, and a fin. The winner will take this bike on journeys that Renee was not able to do herself. That just is something that really warms our hearts."

Despite her health problems, Beachum remembers Grant's positive, vital presence.



Renee Grant

"She was the type of person that you could see on Main St. in Lowell and you'd say, 'Renee, you just look so fabulous, you must be feeling wonderful,'" Beachum said. "She would say, 'I've just been diagnosed again.' 'It seemed impossible because

she just radiated good health and well being and also just optimism. Renee felt it in her heart to give

back to the community. She thought the world of this community. She lived here 18 years. In those years

here her connection to this community was enormous.

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Renee Grant's 2008 Yamaha V-Star 650 Custom to be auctioned off to benefit Pink Arrow Pride.

Giant games were big fun at library

by Tim McAllister
contributing reporter

The Englehardt Library presented a Giant Games event last Tuesday, June 30 from 6:30 to 7:30.

In a statement before the giant event, Christina Straw, youth paraprofessional at Englehardt explained, "We have all these giant games that we're going to be

putting out. We have a huge game of Connect 4 that's about three feet high, we have huge Pick Up Sticks, Jenga, Yahtzee, Boggle, Bananagrams, Spoons, Checkers; we have a giant keyboard that they can try to play music on and then giant Snakes and Ladders. They'll have the same rules that you would normally have."

The Giant Games event

was free and open to the entire community.

"Everything's free at the library," Straw said. "You don't even have to have a library card to come."

Although the games were playable indoors or outdoors, the library decided to have the event

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Lowell legend Alive & Well will rock the Showboat Saturday night.

"Friday night [July 10] is more kind of the party night," Baker said. "I'm really excited about our Friday entertainment. We're bringing back the hometown guys, Alive & Well. We have

not had them for a while at Riverwalk, so we're excited about that because they really bring people out. That'll be a good night."

Flat River Outreach Ministries will be doing their Food Fight again this year and the winner will be

revealed at the Riverwalk Festival.

"FROM's Food Fight begins in May at the high school and then it spreads to the community," Baker said. "It's always been the north against the south, the south against the north,

Main St. being the dividing line. Riverwalk is the end of the Food Fight and they always announce the winner at Riverwalk."

Saturday is also the day of the big parade and the talent show on the Showboat.

"The parade starts at noon and the entertainment that day is always the open mic," Baker said. "We've done that the last couple years and that's gone really well. There's lots of people that come out and do it and that's fun."

If you want to participate in the open mic night on the showboat, you can register on the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce website.

Many stores and galleries on Main St. will have sidewalk sales and other special events.

"Saturday for sure you'll see a lot of merchants downtown out on the streets with their wares," Baker said. "We have so many antique dealers now. It's really nice, I think it adds to the whole ambiance of the downtown. It's just kind of natural for people to walk around town."

Saturday will close out

the Riverwalk Festival with a bang.

"We are still going to do the fireworks on Saturday night, that's our grand finale," Baker said. "A lot of people go to Stoney Lakeside Park on Bowes Road because that's where they shoot them from. But many people, like me, we go to the fairgrounds because you can view them from over there as well. I like it there because it's open. Everybody has their favorite spot where they go for the fireworks."

All of the details haven't been worked out yet, but you can expect to find lots of family-friendly events and activities around Lowell's Riverwalk and historic downtown.

"There's a little bit for everybody to do, from classic cars to shopping," Baker said. "It really, truly is a family event."



along main street

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YMCA Livestrong at Gilda's Club – Tues., July 14 and 28, 4:30-5:30 pm. Please join Amy Christensen, from the Lowell YMCA Livestrong program for an hour of exercise at the Lowell Clubhouse. Regardless of your physical condition let's get motivated, with some strength training help with balance, range of motion, core strength, stretching and most of all lots of laughing of course!

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I just feel that this was her way of giving back. She wasn't a wealthy person, but she just felt in her heart the connection to this community. She had time to plan and that's so important because some people just don't think about that. Renee did something that is going to continue giving well beyond her capabilities. When we auction this motorcycle and with the financial gift that she gave

Pink Arrow, she is going to help many, many people that are on the same cancer journey that she took."

"We'd like people just to come in, see it, touch it, sit on it, just appreciate the gift that she's giving back to this community," Beachum said. "This would be a great investment because it's just going to keep giving back 100 percent to this community."

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WWII era big band hits the Riverwalk

by Tim McAllister
contributing reporter

Last week's Sizzlin' Summer Concert starred the River City Jazz Ensemble. They played a set of big band hits from the World War II era. A huge, diverse crowd enjoyed perfect weather, hot dogs and burgers on the grill, booze on the Showboat while the River City Jazz Ensemble played songs by artists like Duke Ellington, Glenn Miller and Frank Sinatra.

River City Jazz Ensemble has ten musicians and a singer, Kathy Wagner. The band was started by Henry Swart, David Swart and Rudy Seadal in 1976. They've played for presidents Bush, Ford and Reagan and former Michigan governor John Engler, as well as with comedian Bob Newhart.

The Sizzlin' Summer concerts are always

packed, but one couple had a little suggestion for the organizers.

"So far we haven't appreciated the music," said Lowell residents Ron

and Geri, who didn't want their last name printed. "We like country and western. It's always a heavy rock type thing. I hope it's better tonight."

This week's concert will bring country rockers the Bronk Bros. to Lowell. They've played with acts like Dierks Bentley, Charlie

Daniels Band, Jason Aldean, Darius Rucker and others. They'll play at the Showboat on Thursday night at 7 pm. Hopefully this will make Ron and Geri happy.



Dancers on the Riverwalk.



River City Jazz Ensemble played songs from the World War II era.

City council discusses street plan, approves youth football park and authorizes tree removal

by Tim McAllister
contributing reporter

Lowell city council had their regular meeting at city hall Monday evening, July 6. None of the nine residents in attendance addressed the council during the 30 minute meeting.

City manager Mark Howe updated the council about the council's goal of creating a "street asset management plan."

"We made more progress on identifying streets for repair over the next five years and [I] plan to get that list to you [the council]," Howe said. "We're also coordinating with any water work and any sewer work that may need to be done over the next five years."

Most of the meeting was taken up by a delegation from the Kent District Library, who presented the library system's 2015 annual report to the council. KDL director Lance Werner, KDL trustee Shirley Bruursema and former Englehardt Library branch manager Josh Bernstein. Bernstein is now the teen services librarian at the KDL Grandville branch.

"84 percent of

Lowell residents are KDL cardholders," Bernstein said. "Lowell residents

appreciate the library and use it regularly." "We're very proud of

this library and all that our people do and the amount of people that participate and take part in various programs," said mayor Jim Hodges.

"In my opinion, that's part of the beating heart of [Lowell]," Werner said. "The people love it, as evidenced by the huge number of cardholders in this area. It really is a spectacular facility and people really treasure it here. You all should be so proud of the wonderful facility that you've built and I just think it's so wonderful that the city of Lowell values literacy so much."

The council also approved a new youth football park agreement and authorized the removal of a tree at 726 Lafayette. It will cost the city \$2,000 to

remove the tree, plus \$300 for sidewalk repairs.

The city council's next meeting will be at city hall at 7 pm on Monday, July 20.



Lance Werner from the Kent District Library gave a presentation to the city council.

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Keep your investments from going on "vacation"

It's that time of year when many of us hit the road for a summer vacation. If you are fortunate, you will be joining them — after all, "all work and no play" is a difficult way to live. But while you may not think it beneficial to work all the time, the same can't be said of your investments and your investment strategy — because, ideally, they should never stop laboring on your behalf.

How can you avoid "taking a vacation" as an investor? Here are a few ideas:

- *Don't let your portfolio get "lazy."* Laziness is fine for vacations, but it's not so great for an investment portfolio. When you invest, it can be easy to let things drift along and stay the same as they've always been. But over time, things can change: Your goals can change somewhat, your family situation can certainly change and even your investments themselves may change. That's why it's important to review your portfolio and your investment choices

regularly, possibly with the help of a financial professional. You may not need to make drastic changes, but even modest-seeming adjustments may make a big difference down the road.

- *Don't choose an investment mix that just "sits around."* If you were to put all your investment dollars in conservative vehicles, such as certificates of deposit (CDs), your principal would likely not experience much volatility — which is good. But your money almost certainly would not have the growth potential to help you reach your long-term goals — which is not so good. That's why you will need to own some investments, such as stocks and stock-based instruments, that offer growth potential. It's true these investments will fluctuate in value, and there's no guarantee you won't lose money on them. You can help address this risk by focusing on the long term and by creating an investment mix that is suitable for your situation.

- *Don't become a "spend-happy" investor.* It can be pretty easy to spend more on vacations than you had planned. For some reason, perhaps the carefree nature of a vacation, the act of spending money seems less grounded in reality — until you get home and see the bills. As an investor, you can also get carried away with your transactions — and it can cost you. To be specific, if you are constantly buying and selling investments, you'll be making it harder for yourself to follow a unified, long-term investment strategy. As mentioned, you will need to make changes as needed, over time, to your portfolio, but making moves such as chasing after "hot" investments, or giving up on other investments after one bad period, will likely not benefit you and could prove detrimental to your progress.

As someone who spends most of your life working, you may very much appreciate your vacations. But as someone trying to achieve important financial goals, such as a comfortable retirement, you shouldn't take a "vacation" from investing — and you shouldn't let your investments take one, either. As you know from your career and your other activities, making a consistent effort may pay off — and it's the same with investing.

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by Sierra Hieshetter

This past Saturday was the 4th of July. People celebrate this holiday in many different ways, like having barbecues, camping and get-togethers. I celebrate this holiday every year by camping at Wabasis Lake with my family,

including my uncle, cousin, grandpa and grandma. My grandpa brought his boat, we brought our SUP (Stand Up Paddle-Board) and lots of firewood. We all like to go swimming, but the beach was way too crowded, so we took out grandpa's fishing

boat and jumped off it in the middle of the lake. It was cold, but refreshing on the hot days and way less crowded than the beach. The county park doesn't allow fireworks, but they do allow sparklers (which we brought a lot of). My mom always makes comments on how the times have changed and how the price of things go up and the quality of things go down. She mentioned that the sparklers don't last as long as they used to and cost much more. Then there are the TNT Morning Glories, which I

think are a fire hazard. They shoot sparks when you least expect it and you don't want to be in front of one when it finally lights or you'll end up with a singed sweatshirt! However, when it comes right down to it, none of that really matters. We are celebrating the birth of our country and for some that means having a bigger firework display than your neighbor; but, to me it means you should cherish the good things that those men fought for so long ago...family, friends and freedom.

an apartment house.

Another fatal accident occurred last Saturday morning on M-21 on the curve leading to the east end approach of the Ada bridge over Grand River. Ray F. Marshall of Wayne was killed and his friend, Frank G. Anderson of Detroit, was removed to a Grand Rapids hospital, suffering from critical injuries. The men were on their way to Traverse City to take part in a skeet tournament. Their new car was catapulted into the river some 30 or 40 feet below and was badly wrecked.

Japan bought 250,000 tons of scrap iron in the United States last month. Now if they only don't start shooting it back at us.

50 years ago Lowell Ledger July 8, 1965

Headline: As Arrowhead course opens. Memorial Day Week end saw a life long dream come true for Vincent and Gene Kaye. That was the week end they first opened the Arrowhead Golf course. The nine-hole course has been under construction for 4 years; and is located on 111 acres on Alden Nash Road between Two and Three Mile Roads in Vergennes Township. "This," says Vincent Kaye, "is an ideal location, centrally located between Lowell, Belding, Greenville, Parnell, Murray Lake, Grattan and Ada." The best approach from Lowell, according to Mr. Kaye, is by travelling north on Lincoln Lake until you reach Bailey Drive, then turn right on Alden Nash, and follow the signs to 2170 Alden Nash, NE. The owners didn't anticipate the opening of the first nine holes until the July 4 week end but because of public demand and pressure, they opened on Memorial Day. The second nine holes is scheduled to open sometime in August. A third nine is in the planning stage, reported Mr. Kaye. The fairways, situated on gently rolling land, take total advantage of the wooded areas, the swail holes, the creek and pond, to create hazards and obstacles in the course.

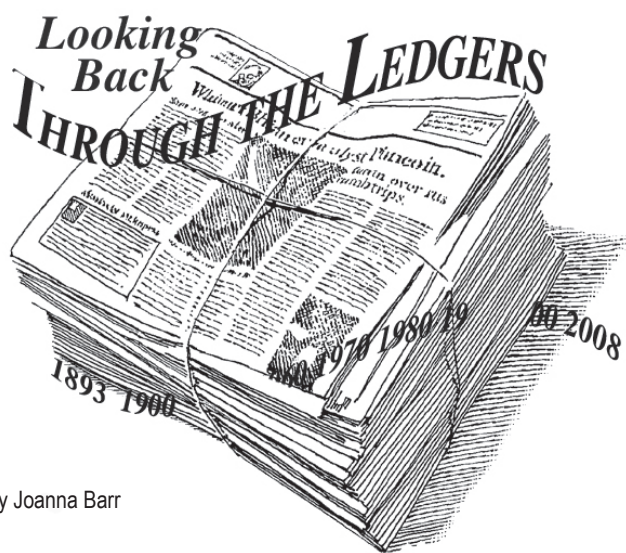
Headline: Lowell mail service cut. The Lowell Post Office has a new dispatch of mail schedule which has moved up the deadline for accepting outgoing mail at night. The last truck through Lowell to dispatch mail has been moved up from 8:15 pm to 6 pm beginning on July 1st. Now all city boxes are being picked up at 4:45 and 5 pm will be the deadline for deposit of mail at the post office. The star route bus which picked up mail from the box marked with in front of the post office at 8:15 is no longer in operation. The new schedule, which is supposed to improve mail service has left Lowell patrons with much poorer mail service than before and has put an extra load on the post office staff to get the mail ready for dispatch at the 6 pm deadline.

25 years ago The Lowell Ledger July 11, 1990

Headline: Lowell's Fullington celebrates 100 years. Ray Fullington was one of 1,889,392 Americans born in the year 1890. He's never found any great amounts of monetary fame and fortune. He has managed to capture and hang onto something far more valuable - LIFE. The life-long Lowell native, celebrates his 100th year on July 12. Fullington was born in the year 1890, on a Saturday.

Headline: Engineering firm contracted to help find CATV's value. Should the city contract out an engineering firm in regards to the ownership, operation and worth of the Lowell Cable Television System? That was the \$2,500 question at the July Lowell City Council meeting Monday night...

TV listing magazine: James B. Sikking, Belinda Montgomery and Neil Patrick Harris portray the Howser family in Doogie Howser, M.D., the hit ABC comedy series returning for its second season in the fall.



By Joanna Barr

125 years ago Lowell Journal July 9, 1890

The Journal with this number begins its twenty-sixth year of usefulness and is as spry and chipper as in its youth. It has always made a point to give its readers all the news, both local and general, and has succeeded. Always reliable, never sensational, its patrons can place it in the hands of the most innocent without the fear of their being defiled. In its politics it has always advocated the principles of the Republican party, the party of advanced ideas, whose aims are upward, and which carries out what it sets out to do.

John Chatterdon's barn and contents, including a couple of horses, was burned to the ground last Thursday night, it being a total loss. The barn is thought to have been set on fire by a tramp, whom they had offended in some manner.

Four persons out of every five that stand on the street corners condemning the McKinley Tariff Bill, have never seen a copy of the bill, and when asked to specify, they are dumb. They object on general principles, because it is a Republican measure.

100 years ago The Lowell Ledger July 8, 1915

Editor Ledger: The carnival has come and gone. Thank God, it's gone and it is to be most fervently hoped that Lowell has seen the last of all such shows. No doubt the Board of Trade committee who made arrangements for their coming saw their mistake when too late and felt compelled to see it through, but the people of Lowell have had their lesson and with dozens of other Michigan towns will turn down the carnival good and hard. The town that depends on such advertising to bring prosperity and growth, is leaning on a broken reed. Last week was a sorrowful

time for our town. The whole appearance from one end of our handsome brick pavement to the other was most discreditable. The tent at the west end on the cross street should have been ordered taken down as soon as erected and the show for men only in the brick building ought to have been closed at once. The large majority of the Board of Trade members did not approve of the carnival. The town will never add to the prosperity by such foolish methods. Our people, young and old, are subject to enough temptations with the four saloons doing business on our streets without letting in any other bad things...

Sheriff Berry sent Deputy Sheriff Pohl to Lowell Saturday where he discovered a roulette game going on among the carnival features and where a farmer from Alto, whose name is withheld, lost \$40. Mr. Pohl succeeded in breaking up the game and recovering the \$40 for the farmer.

The carnival was a disappointment to all and a shock to many of our citizens. The editor was happily away the entire week on a trip up and down the Tennessee, and is willing to heed the advice "Least said soonest mended" and drop the curtain on the entire affair.

A very large rattlesnake was killed in the hay field where Mr. Rockefeller and Harry Wilsey were working on the former's farm one day last week.

75 years ago The Lowell Ledger July 11, 1940

Headline: Miniature Showboat attracts attention. The miniature of the Lowell Showboat which has been on display in Lansing for nearly a month is now located in the window of the Roth furniture store. This miniature has already been viewed by thousands of people and has been pictured in the Grand Rapids Press, the Muskegon, Saginaw and Jackson newspapers. The work of building the miniature was done by the museum project of the Works Project Administration, the Lowell Showboat corporation furnishing all necessary materials and supplies. The display in addition to showing a miniature of the Showboat, shows the grandstand, the river, island, and buildings of Main St. All the actors and actresses, including interlocuter, C. H. Runciman, have been cast in wax and are displayed on the Showboat stage. It is well worth your while to stop at the W. A. Roth window.

At the first of July there were 622 telephones in service in the Lowell exchange, representing a gain of 8 during June, according to W. P. Heinzelman, manager in this area for the Michigan Bell Telephone Company.

Secretary F. F. Coons of the Lowell school board reports that the East Ward school building has been sold to Thomas L. Condon, the consideration being \$1,650. Mr. Condon informs the Ledger that his plans regarding the building have not been definitely formed as yet, but that he may finally decide to remodel it into

health



Games, continued

indoors because of some rainy weather Tuesday night.

"With the weather we weren't sure how it was going to be outside," said Sandy Graham, the library employee who was in charge of the event. "It's loud, they're having fun, so that's good."

"Everybody knows these games, they've just never played them in the huge version before," Straw said.

"Fortunately we have some creative people that do these things," Graham said. "Summer's only half over. We still have many programs yet to go."

Coming up at the Englehardt Library, Hooper Heroes will entertain and instruct kids how to enjoy hula hoops. That event will take place on Thursday, July 9 at 10 am.



Two boys playing a giant game of Connect 4.

alzheimer's disease

Alzheimer's disease is the most common cause of dementia in the elderly. It is caused by abnormal protein deposits in the brain. Over time, the deposits damage the nerve cells in the brain leading to abnormal brain function and dementia.

or personality changes. These symptoms will gradually progress causing problems with activities of daily living. Normal aging can also cause mild degrees of memory loss but not difficulties with day-to-day living.

Alzheimer's disease tends to run in families. More than 30 genes have been found that are possibly associated with the disease. If you have a parent with Alzheimer's disease, you are more likely to develop the disease later in life.

Diagnosis is made after actually reviewing the medical history, including medications, performing mental status tests, obtaining lab work and ordering imaging of the brain to rule out other causes of dementia.

Symptoms usually start after the age of 65 but may occur earlier. Symptoms can be mild to severe and include problems with short-term memory, difficulty completing more complex tasks, misplacing items, getting lost in familiar places, and mood

At this time there is no cure for Alzheimer's disease. Medication is available that may slow the progression of symptoms. Research is being done looking at new classes of medication that may prevent deposits of the abnormal protein in the brain.

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Kids enjoyed Giant Games at the Englehardt Library last week.

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A community fighting cancer

Six boys pen 'Tons' Guide to Grief'

The young men who originally lost their father organized an investigation to publish a book. They "talked to each other," says Steve McLean, 24, who lost his father in 1999. They met at Gildai's Club of Lowell, 314 S. Hudson St., during a golf night group. The boys became friends and Steve McLean had the idea that they should write a book.

"I started back in December when they started writing and collaborating on their," says Steve McLean, 24, who lost his father in 1999. They're all young teens and they just thought, "They let's get all our stories in one place. We've helped each other out in this journey, maybe we could put our experiences on paper and help other young guys going through losing a father figure in their life." They put their story down on paper and created photos.

The only child Steve McLean has for his father, Steve McLean, 24, who lost his father in 1999.

"Take a minute get the publisher, Steve McLean Publishing," McLean said. "I did not realize we'd have a book."

a book through school and they had published them. The next "Maybe we could have a publisher," Steve McLean said. "I did not realize we'd have a book off from there. The publisher was

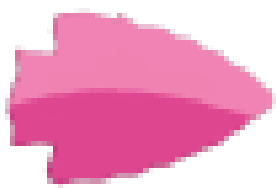
very interested. They said they'd cover our printing. They said, "When a group of boys wanted to do a book, they're trying to help other young men in a similar situation. They were very excited

to publish it. It really means. We just hope that it helps other kids going through the mourning."

Steve McLean
Lowell



Not in order: Steve McLean, Justin Gifford, Luke McLean, Steve McLean, Steve Gifford and (not pictured) Steve LaForte.



Jane Tschannen owns Fuller Septic Services, 2051 Bowes Rd. The company has been in business for over 30 years. Tschannen is both a cancer widow and a cancer survivor.

"The community of Lowell should take so much pride in what they do for Pink Arrow Pride and what a shining example it is for the nation," Tschannen said. "You see them popping up all over the country and it started here. The city of Lowell deserves a huge, big pat on the back for bringing the awareness and the recognition to the cancer endeavor that they're doing here."

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'Guys' Guide to Grief'



Luke McLean

In "Guys' Guide to Grief" each author has their own chapter in which they relate stories and share photos and examples of encouragement for other young men who might be going through the mourning. Luke and others like him tell their stories. Darius McLean, 16, is a war hero. The whole family was younger in the war and they all sustained various injuries. Luke McLean is 11 years old and is at Greenville Middle School.

"We were coming home from a family party in 2011 and we got in a car accident," Luke said. "I was all in it, my brother and sister, my cousin and dad. When I was in the hospital a lady came in and told me that my father had passed away. She says even he had said it was going to be okay."

Luke was hospitalized for several weeks. He had a long recovery period. He says he was "really happy."

"My uncle was in the hospital for a few weeks but then I slowly regained my strength. I was in the hospital for five months. My cousin was in a wheelchair."

Luke's brother Darius McLean, 16, is a war hero. The whole family was younger in the war and they all sustained various injuries. Luke McLean is 11 years old and is at Greenville Middle School.

"He was the only soldier he was ever met. He was always happy," Luke said. "We loved to watch movies together. I was sad but I've learned to get over it."

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"I remember him as an uplifting, fun kind of guy," Darius said. "He was always around and never angry. He always showed you up. We liked to watch movies together. We would stay up really late when my mom would go to work and we'd watch movies all night."

Darius was happy to see the world.

"I had even broken into my left wrist and had surgery on my right arm. I had a collapsed lung, a broken ribcage and I had yellow legs," Darius said. "Luke got out to try to get help and he had to be hospitalized. The doctor told me that he had to be hospitalized and I got yellow legs."

Darius had a long recovery period. He says he was "really happy."

"I was in the hospital for 40 days. They kept me in the hospital for 40 days. I was hospitalized and I had to be hospitalized again."

Jacob O'Connell, 16, is a 2014 graduate. Jacob's father, Mike O'Connell, died when Jacob was only five years old and Jacob was the only one who survived the tragedy.

"He was a teacher. I was going to talk to his grandfather because he was going to leave in the morning," Jacob said. "He wasn't in the best and I was late for the funeral and he was in the bed. He wasn't moving or anything."

My mother was home and I was making out to her, realizing that he wasn't moving. The neighbors got called and my grandfather was with the first three firefighters. I remember them as the first trying to get him to breathe. They told me that I had everything for years after that. I don't always think about it.

Mike O'Connell passed away from a medical condition that nobody knew he had.

"We didn't know but he had an ulcer," Jacob said. "His father started and started staying in bed. They also found out that there were other liver transplants and we didn't know about it."

Darius was not so young. Jacob didn't get to spend much time with his father.

"I remember playing ball with him," Jacob said. "We'd go to the other store and go to church. I still have a little school that he brought for me. It

was really hard. It was through a lot."

Darius McLean, 16, is a student at Greenville Middle School. He had his grandfather Mike O'Connell on July 24, 2011.

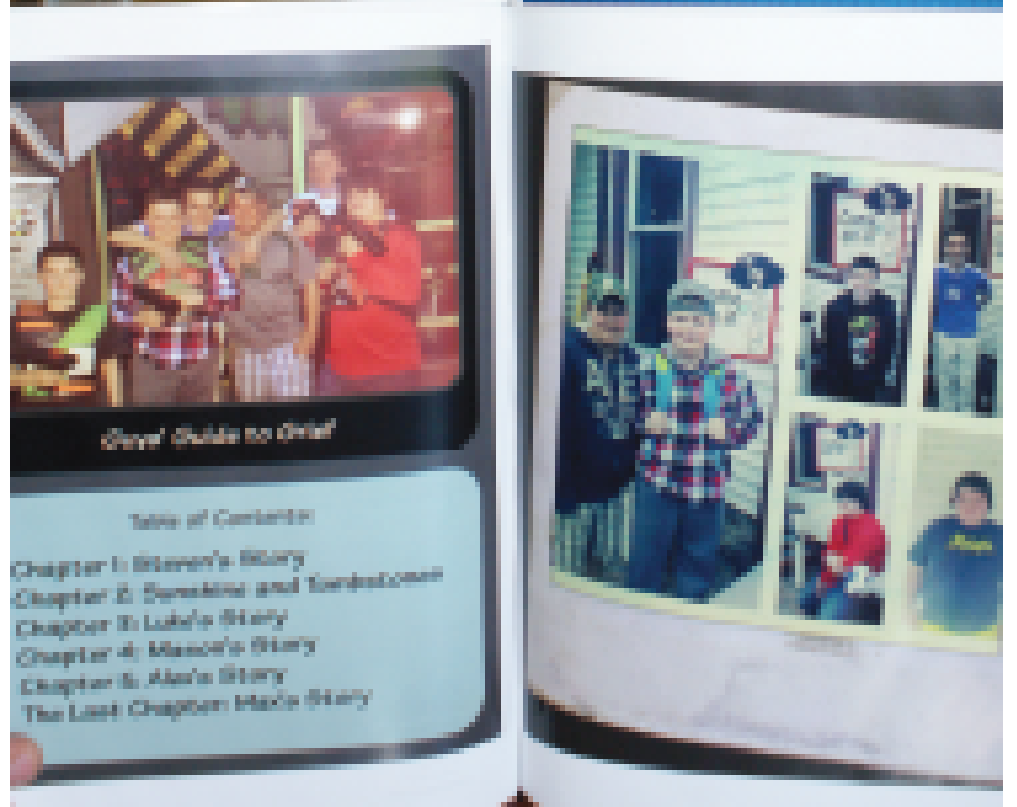
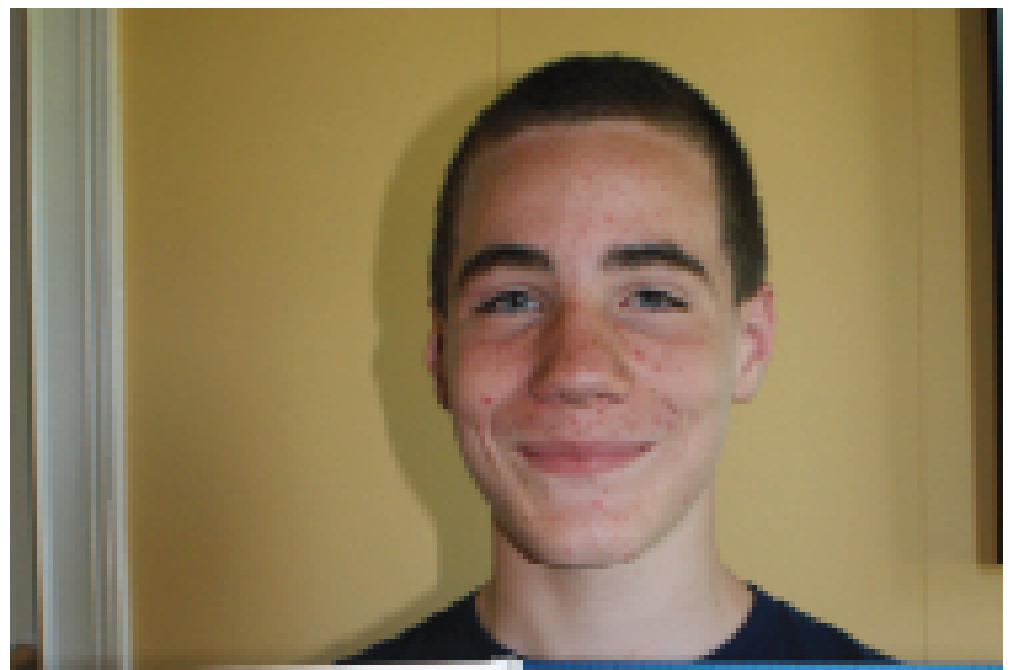
"We were really close. He was there when I was born," Darius said. "He told me to be good and don't be bad. My mom, my dad and my grandfather are always looking up. Jacob, really good."

Darius and his grandfather spent a great deal of time together, usually in the kitchen.

"He was there to 11 years of school in the house," Darius said. "He used to take me out to the woods. Just me and him and we'd just spend time together. We'd just walk through the woods and we'd breathe."

Darius inherited a dog and took care of his grandfather.

"We missed a couple days and over I have one of his favorite dogs named



Darius McLean

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'Gays' Guide to Grief

Wright." Wright said, "I'll get to show [him] how you can live a life that's not just about you."

Alcarroll, a 28-year-old business at Lowell High School where John Robert Miller died last year. The two weren't close, but were working on their relationship.

"I was really close to my dad, but the last few years were a bit closer than we ever were," Alcarroll said. "I spent more time with him and I got to know him a bit more. As I was growing up, we'd go fishing more often or I'd go over there for Christmas or my birthday and stuff. There was this one time when I went over to his house and he was in bed and he said, 'I almost wouldn't have died.'"

Alcarroll's father was diagnosed with his condition several months ago.

"It was a shock to me, I wasn't expecting it," Alcarroll said. "There were a lot of things wrong with him. He had pneumonia a couple times. He would get told to take care of himself, but he didn't really take care of himself that much. I was kind of worried and didn't know what to do."

Robert Miller had a heart attack on Sept. 24, 2014 and passed away in the hospital.

"He and my sister and my mom were sitting in the house at this 11:00

and we got a call from his sister, my aunt Carol," Alcarroll said. "She said my dad just had a heart attack and he was in the hospital. He and my mother went down to the hospital and got back and my sister called me and said, 'We need to get up here. It's not looking good.' So I went up around 11:30."

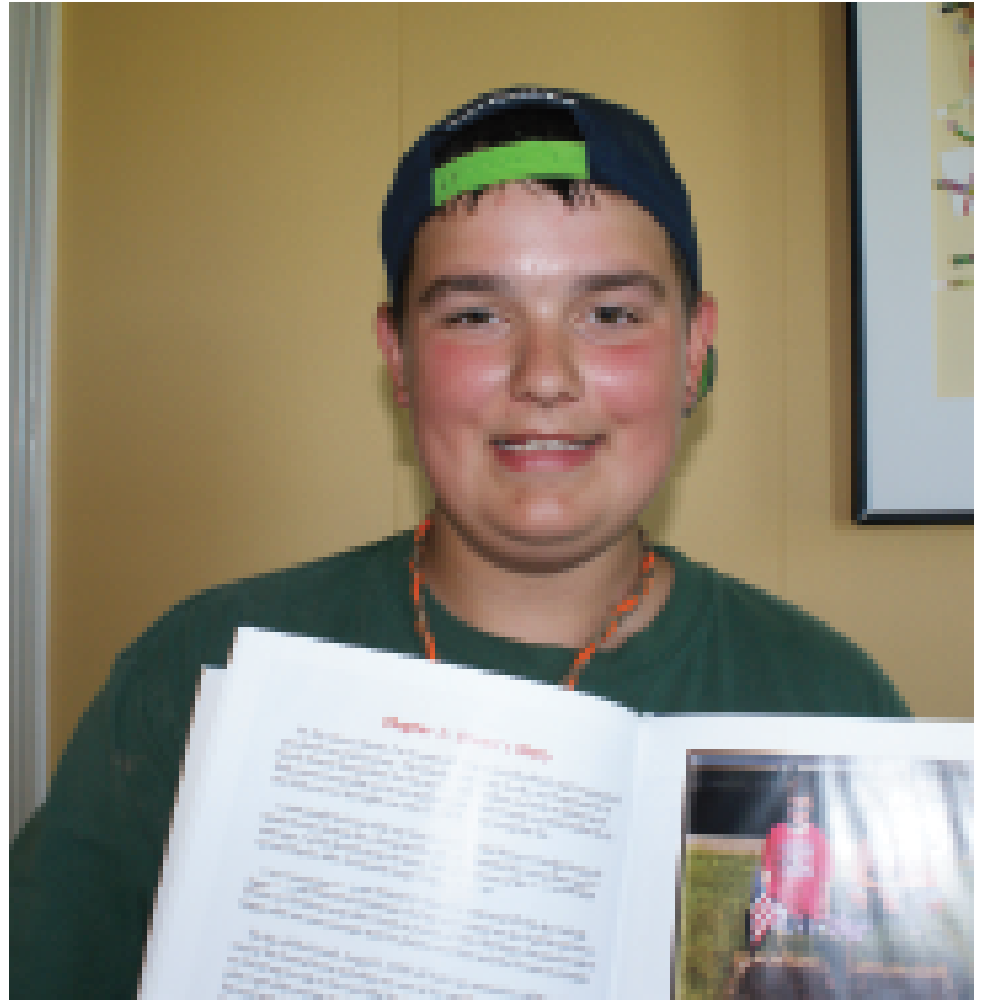
Alcarroll said that the support group at Obit's Club of Lowell helped him deal with his grief.

"Coming to Obit's Club really helps," Alcarroll said. "They help you talk about what [you] have your feelings. You can see things that you feel. Talking about it to my friends helps me and they taught me how to do that. You to not be afraid or embarrassed to talk about it."

All the details aren't finished yet, but the book is expected to be ready by July 7. At this time, Alcarroll said the best way to get a copy would be to contact Obit's Club of Lowell.

"The publisher has given us copies to Obit's and to the paper," Alcarroll said. "We're trying to have a book signing here at Obit's Club on Feb. 27th, so people who want to support that show here at Obit's can see it and get a copy."

Any profits generated will be split between the paper.



Warren Whitford

"If there are national book sales, the profits will be split up between the six papers," Alcarroll said. "Obit's has volunteered right to help [writing] because the paper got it together on their own and

they're providing, getting it published on their own. Obit's doesn't want to profit by it. It's important to help people get a better way away from writing."



Julia Colwell



Alan Miller

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Annual T-Rex Ten Miler gains momentum

by Kathryn Atwood
contributing reporter

Hundreds of local adventure seekers kicked off their Independence Day at Fallasburg Park to take part in the challenging all terrain T-Rex Ten Miler sponsored by the Old Farts Running Club (OFRC).

on the race's namesake "The Tyrannosaurus Rex Hill."

This year's top male T-Rex finisher was Adam Laman who arrived at the finish line with a time of 1:06:33. Previous participant Alyssa McElheny was the

top female finisher for the second year in a row coming in at 1:15:35, just a few minutes longer than her record breaking 1:12:12 finish in 2014.

Those not brave

enough to tackle the prehistoric race were invited to participate in the event's sister run "The Wimpy 8K." The simultaneous race began at the same time and place, but boasted a shorter

Females dominated the Wimpy race with ten ladies claiming spots, including top runner Abby Geurink who finished second overall and first among females with a time of 32:00.

scheduled to take place on Saturday, August 15. Runners will have the option to take part in a trio of races with varying degrees of difficulty, The Who Cut



Friends Gail Cemmol, Mark Rector and Jill Beckwith triumphantly cross the Wimpy 8K finish line.



Droves of runners took off from the starting line at Fallasburg Park.

The popular race was initiated by OFRC member Dan Droski in 2008 and has gained momentum every year since. The dinosaur themed event enjoys a fun sense of humor and a challenging course that draws many the runner despite the holiday schedule.

"It is just something out of the ordinary," explained Droski at the event. "We have unique awards, use trails, have a snow cone finish and we put signs out there throughout the trail keeping with the dinosaur theme."

Runners endured terrain challenges like as "Stegosaurus Ridge" and obstacles such as "Prehistoric Snakes" on the ten-mile trek before taking



Runner Alyssa McElheny was the top finishing female in the T-Rex Ten Miler for the second consecutive year.

and less difficult path for participants.

Avid runner and triathlete Tyler Gravstein from Grand Rapids was the first to clear the Wimpy finish line boasting a time of 29:13. His finish was just shy of the men's record in his age group (28:31) set last year by college student and former race winner Patrick Lawrence.

All participants received comical souvenir race t-shirts and finishers were treated to music, refreshments and equally funny race awards at the finish line such as laugh inducing whoopee cushions.

Fallasburg Park will also be the site of The Old Farts Festival of Races

the Cheese 5K, Old Farts 13.1 Half Marathon and the endurance testing 26.2 mile long Old Farts Marathon. For more information on the Festival of Races or the Old Farts Running Club visit the website at www.oldfartsrunningclub.8k.com

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obituaries

OFFRINK

Shelby (Tomczak) Offrink. It is with completely broken hearts that we need to let you all know that Shelby passed away Sunday, June 28. She was at peace, surrounded by her closest family. Both Maeve and Hazel gave their mom a kiss and hug as Shelby took her last breath. We are grateful that she is now pain free, running around and making tons of friends in Heaven already, but we will forever miss her quick wit, humor and love for others. There is a party in Heaven, but a hole in our hearts. We miss you, Shelby. You were the best friend we could ever have. You left this world just as you lived- with heart, love, determination, fearlessness and no regrets. A Mass of Christian burial will be Thursday, July 9, 11:00 a.m. at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 4351 Parnell Ave. NE, Ada, MI 49301. Rev. Mark Peacock presiding. Interment St. Patrick Cemetery. A Celebration of Life visitation will be Wednesday, July 8, from 5-8:00 p.m. at Grand Volute, 655 Lincoln Lake Ave. SE, Lowell MI 49331. Memorial donations may be made to the Team Offrink Donation Fund, Huntington Bank, 414 E. Main St., Lowell MI 49331.



LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF MICHIGAN
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PUBLICATION OF
NOTICE OF HEARING

FILE NO. 12-192164-GA,
10-189332-CA

In the matter of MARGUERITE GREER. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS including: Tonie Greer, Jonathan Greer, and Ruth Carter whose address(es) is/are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: A hearing will be held on 08/11/2015 at 9:00 am at

180 Ottawa Avenue NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 before Judge David M. Murkowski (P35026) for the following purpose: on the petition Michele Boley to remove Howard Smith as the guardian and conservator for Marguerite Greer and to appoint Martha Edwards as her successor guardian and conservator.

07/02/2015

John D. Flynn (P27413)
1275 Hawthorne Hills SE
Ada, MI 49301
616-897-6632

Michele Boley
121 Franklin SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49507
616-826-1975

STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF KENT

PUBLICATION OF
NOTICE OF HEARING

FILE NO. 15-197683-CA,
15-197684-GA

In the matter of MELVIN WUBBEN. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS including: the missing and unknown heirs of Melvin Wubben whose address(es) is/are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: A hearing will be held on 07/28/2015 at 9:00 am at 180 Ottawa Avenue NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 before Judge David M. Murkowski (P35026) for the following purpose: to appoint a guardian and conservator for Melvin Wubben.

07/02/2015

John D. Flynn (P27413)
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Ada, MI 49301
616-897-6632

Toya Zylstra
121 Franklin SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49507
616-258-1359

SCHRAM CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR AMY (STEWART) SCHRAM

A Celebration of Amy's life will be held Wednesday, July 15 at Princeton Christian Reformed Church (5330 Kalamazoo Ave., SE, Kentwood, MI) from 7 pm – 8:30 pm. Please join us by sharing stories, photos and great memories you have of your time with Amy. Amy passed away September 9, 2014, in Montrose, CO after suffering a pulmonary aneurism. She is survived by her husband, Geoff; daughters, Ashley (Trevor), Madison and Gabrielle; mother, Marie; and sister, Sue (Mike) Murley (Karson and Jada). She was preceded in death by her father Robert Steward and father-in-law Abe Schram.



WHITEMORE-SARGEANT

Joyce Whittemore-Sargeant, formerly of Lowell, joined her Lord and Savior on Wednesday, May 6, 2015. She was met with open arms by her husband Dewey Sargeant, parents Raymond and Jeanne Johnson and brothers Ronald and Lee Johnson. She is survived by her daughter Liza Whittemore of Arizona; sisters Deanna (John) Corp of Sandusky, Linda (Ross) Scott of Sandusky, Jane (Russell) Logston of Bear Lake, Nancy (Doug) Murdoch of Dearborn, Janet Herzog of Frasier and brother Larry Johnson of Carsonville. Joy also had a hand in raising many Haitian boys, especially Jone Destine and Paul Valeory. And not to mention her very special friends Alice Bush, Darline Piere, Sharon Miles, Linda and Sonny Destine and the Ann Landy family. Joy was born and raised on a farm near Sandusky, MI. She was a graduate of Sandusky High School and Michigan State University, where she earned multiple degrees. Joy lived out her years serving the Lord with multiple missionary trips to Haiti and being an active member in many churches. She will be cremated and her ashes scattered on Rodgers Pond of the Muskegon River, where she spent the better part of 30 years. A Celebration of Life will be held at Vergennes United Methodist Church, 10411 Bailey Dr., Lowell on July 11 at 11 am. Donations may be made to Haiti Missions of UMC, Advance GCFA, P.O. Box 9068, New York, NY 10087-9068; the Children's Hunger Fund, 13931 Balboa Blvd., Sylmar, CA 91342; Vergennes United Methodist Church, 10411 Bailey Dr. NE, Lowell, MI 49331; Snow United Methodist Church, 3189 Snow Ave SE, Lowell, MI 49331; or the Grand Rapids West International Church of the Nazarene, 1313 Bristol Ave NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504.



LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF MICHIGAN
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NOTICE OF HEARING

FILE NO. 15-197034-CA

In the matter of STEVEN JOHN BLICKLEY, a Protected Individual. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS including: Steven John Blickley whose address(es) is/are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: A hearing will be held on July 28, 2015 at 9:00 am at 180 Ottawa Avenue NW, Ste. 2500, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 before Judge David M. Murkowski (P35026) for the following purpose: on the Petition to Allow Sale of Real Estate.

July 6, 2015

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 15-197641-DE

Estate of CHARLES J.
PRINCE. Date of birth:
7/20/1928.

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICETO CREDITORS:
The decedent, Charles J.
Prince, died 02/18/2015.

Creditors of the
decedent are notified
that all claims against
the estate will be forever
barred unless presented

to Lisa Smith, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 180 Ottawa Ave. NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

June 30, 2015

Meredith Curless
(P78235)
410 Bridge St. NW
Grand Rapids, MI 49504
616-458-3699

Lisa Smith
2501 Richards Dr. SE
E. Grand Rapids, MI
49506
616-780-0271

STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 15-197680-DE

Estate of MARIAN
LOUISE MAYOU,
deceased. Date of birth:
07/17/1947.

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICETO CREDITORS:
The decedent, Marian
Louise Mayou, died
05/22/2015.

Creditors of the
decedent are notified
that all claims against
the estate will be
forever barred unless
presented to Ashley

Hendrick and Billie Jo Phillips, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 180 Ottawa Avenue NW, 2nd Floor, Grand Rapids and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

June 24, 2015

Mary L. Benedict
(P45285)
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Ste. 14
Grand Rapids, MI 49546
616-942-0020

Ashley Hendrick and
Billie Jo Phillips
1855 Junewood Ct.
Lowell, MI 49331
616-540-7294

PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

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**THEME:
SWEET TOOTH**

ACROSS

- 1. Face fringe
- 6. Like a wallflower
- 9. Something that happened too fast?
- 13. One hipbone
- 14. Romanian money
- 15. Sheep's clothing, e.g.
- 16. Bassos, alternative spelling
- 17. Middle-earth creature
- 18. Balance sheet item
- 19. *Peanut _____
- 21. *Popular pastry center
- 23. Exclamation of surprise
- 24. Duds
- 25. Tapped at parties
- 28. Two-masted vessel
- 30. Orient's bigwig
- 34. Misfortunes
- 36. Not that
- 38. Australian cockatoo
- 40. Done after shuffling
- 41. Popular garden perennial
- 43. Triathlon ride
- 44. Part of surgeon's prep
- 46. Rudolph, e.g.
- 47. Affirm
- 48. Austrian province
- 50. Ogler
- 52. Former name of Tokyo
- 53. Give notice
- 55. Clinton ___ Rodham
- 57. *Dessert in honor of a dancer
- 61. Text treatment
- 65. French farewell
- 66. Labour group
- 68. Kind of salami

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JULY 1 - JULY 7

- Greece – Greek banks shut for another two days to avoid running out of cash, piling the pressure on the country to find a way to restart bailout talks with Europe.
- U.S. women's soccer team won the World Cup 5-2 over Japan.
- South Carolina, in a 37-3 decision, takes the state one step closer to remove the confederate flag from state grounds.
- Boston Marathon bomber Dzhokhar Tsarnaev seeks new trial.
- U.S. oil slips seven percent, stocks trim amid Greece drama.

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- 69. House coat
- 70. Little squirt
- 71. In the company of
- 72. Bone-dry
- 73. ___ Khan

74. "Dressed to the ___"

DOWN

- 1. Kind of lettuce
- 2. Having wings
- 3. Not final or absolute
- 4. Vigorous enjoyment
- 5. Blacksmith shop
- 6. * ___ gin
- 7. Part of H.M.S.
- 8. New Mexico's state flower
- 9. Portrait sculpture
- 10. Mona ___
- 11. One who uses something
- 12. Short for "retired"
- 15. Pompous windbag
- 20. Strongly opposed
- 22. Funerary vase
- 24. Shiny from moisture
- 25. *Sour Patch ___
- 26. Choose by vote
- 27. Dazzling
- 29. "___ Afraid of Virginia Wolf?"
- 31. *Rum ___
- 32. Martini garnish
- 33. *Alaska's state
- 35. Hurtful remark
- 37. Dog command
- 39. Parade honoree
- 42. ___ provocateur
- 45. Back down
- 49. Head or john
- 51. 40th President
- 54. *Indian yogurt staple that can be sweet or salty
- 56. Fragrant resin
- 57. ___ Hemmingway nickname
- 58. Jewish month
- 59. Henry ___
- 60. "___ your hand"
- 61. Tiny bit
- 62. Involved in a secret
- 63. *Sugar, waffle or cake ___
- 64. Droops
- 67. *Yule ___

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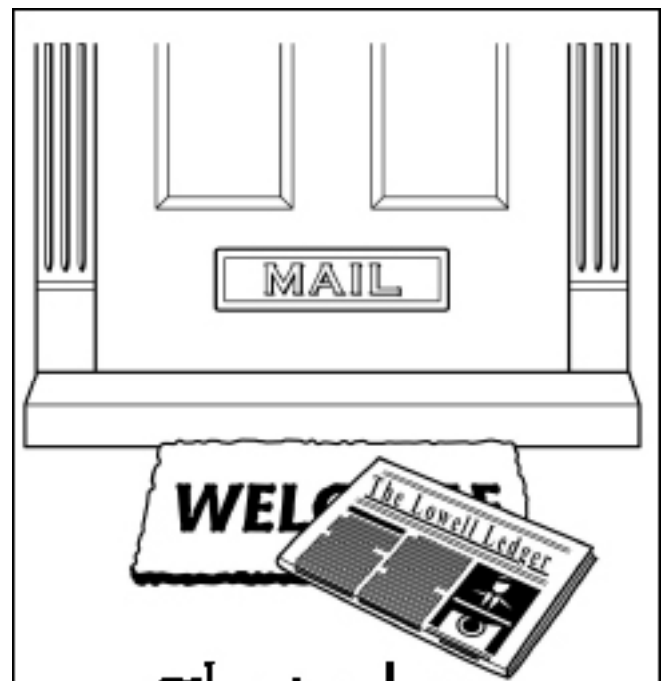
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Game Ends This Saturday, July 11
After The Riverwalk Parade

[Lowell Food Fight Facebook Page](#)

For more info and up to date Food Fight Special!

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North	8,901*	5,753	8,728	7,645	30,447*
South	9,008*	5,207	5,524	5,862	25,613*



JOIN US!

It's Our Birthday Party!

Wednesday, August 12

5:00 - 8:00 PM

Flat River Outreach Ministries

1115 East Polina, Lowell

603-887-8288

*Includes Lowell Schools 1,112 food items (25¢) each team collected in May! Each dollar and food item donated counts as one point for the team of your choice!

***WE EXCEEDED OUR 50,000 GOAL!**

Event Underwriters:

***NEW FOOD FIGHT RECORDS!**



MATCH 1



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Total Matching Funds
\$8,000
Remaining Matching Funds
\$550



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Donate at www.fromlowell.org - Choose North Lowell or South Lowell!

Sponsors in italics used matched dollars.

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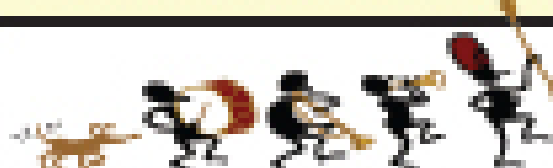
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More Food Collection Sites

Engelhardt Library - Lowell YMCA - Ailsa Library



***FROM The Heart* Riverwalk Parade - This Saturday, July 11 - Begins at Noon!**
Your Last Chance to Score for Your Team!

Bring your non-perishable food items! Red (North) & White (South) food barrels on Main Street!

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2015 Riverwalk Festival

July 9, 10, & 11

Two Nights and One Day

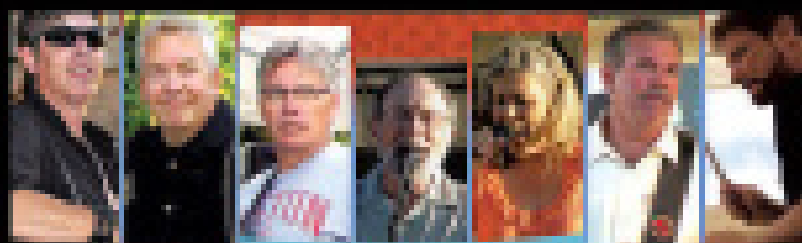
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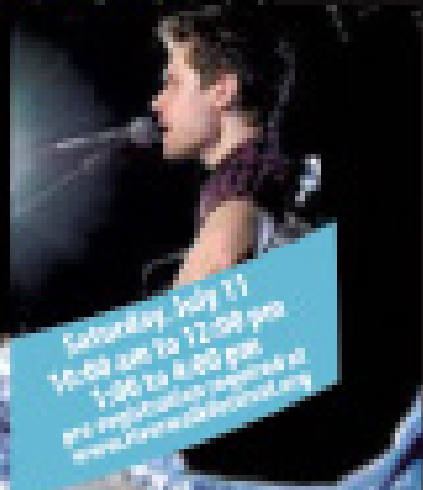
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Thursday, July 9
7:00 - 9:00 pm



Friday, July 10
7:00 - 9:00 pm



Saturday, July 11
10:00 am to 12:00 pm
1:00 to 8:00 pm
No registration required at
www.riverwalkfestival.org

www.riverwalkfestival.org
Lowell, Michigan

THURSDAY, JULY 9 along the Riverwalk & Historic Downtown

- 4pm - 8pm Riverwalk Pig Roast (sponsored by Adonis Technologies) on Avery Street (\$1 a plate)
- 5pm - 8:30pm Learn to Row Free! At the Flat River Boat Launch. 14 years and older
- 6pm - 9pm Duck Raffle Ticket Sales (sponsored by State Farm) Riverwalk Plaza and Avery Street (\$2) or (\$1.50) or (1 \$4.18) or (20 for \$10 & Free T-Shirt) \$1000 DUCK WINNER, (5) \$100 DUCK WINNERS
- Shoreboat Cash Bar on the Lowell Shoreboat
- Food Concessions (sponsored by Portland Federal Credit Union) on Avery Street
- 7pm - 9pm Musical Summer Concerts on Stage featuring the Bronk Bros (Country Rockin' Hillbilly & Honky-Tonk)

FRIDAY, JULY 10 along the Riverwalk & Historic Downtown

- 5pm - 7pm Street Entertainers
- 5pm - 7pm Historic Pontoon Rides at Flat River Boat Launch
- 6pm - 9pm Duck Raffle Ticket Sales (sponsored by State Farm) Riverwalk Plaza and Avery Street (\$2) or (\$1.50) or (1 \$4.18) or (20 for \$10 & Free T-Shirt) \$1000 DUCK WINNER, (5) \$100 DUCK WINNERS
- Arts & Crafts, Antiques & Re-found Treasures Commercial & Non-Profit Vendors (sponsored by River Valley Credit Union)
- Grilling & Chilling (sponsored by Portland Federal Credit Union) on Avery Street
- Used Book Sale (sponsored by Englishland Friends of the Library) behind the library
- Shoreboat Cash Bar on the Lowell Shoreboat
- 7pm - 9pm Concert Stage (sponsored by AIG Insurance/Auto Owners) featuring Alive and Well (Classic Rock)

\$1500 State Farm Duck Raffle -
\$2, 3 for \$5 or 10 for \$10.
 Buy 20 tickets for \$30 and get a **FREE T-Shirt**



SATURDAY, JULY 11 along the Riverwalk, Historic Downtown & Stony Lakeside Park

- 8am Riverwalk Cruise-in Classic Cars on Avery Street. Awards on the Concert Stage at 10:30 pm
- 11am (Start) Riverwalk Kayak, SUP & Canoe Race (sponsored by Mr. Anonymous) on the Flat River at the boat launch
- 11am Unveiling dedication of new Interpretive Boards in Historic downtown Lowell (sponsored by Lowell Area Historical Museum) in front of Old's 307 E Main St
- 11am - 12 pm Concert Stage Open Mic (sponsored by AIG Insurance/Auto Owners)
- 11am - 12pm Kids Zone (sponsored by Pink Arrow) on Avery Street (\$1 per child)
- 11am - 4pm Duck Raffle Ticket Sales (sponsored by State Farm) Riverwalk Plaza and Avery Street (\$2) or (\$1.50) or (1 \$4.18) or (20 for \$10 & Free T-Shirt) \$1000 DUCK WINNER, (5) \$100 DUCK WINNERS
- Arts & Crafts, Antiques & Re-found Treasures Commercial & Non-Profit Vendors (sponsored by River Valley Credit Union)
- Used Book Sale (sponsored by Englishland Friends of the Library) behind the library
- Street Entertainers
- Grilling & Chilling (sponsored by Portland Federal Credit Union) on Avery Street
- 11am - 1:30pm Kayak Fun (sponsored by Bill & Paul) on the Flat River at the boat launch
- 12pm (Start) Fill the Heart "Food Fight" Parade Historic Main Street. Bring non-perishable food items for Flat River Outreach Ministries and give to the CLowns!
- 1pm - 4pm WWW Open Mic Stage (sponsored by AIG Insurance/Auto Owners)
- 1:00pm - 4pm Historic Pontoon Rides at Flat River Boat Launch
- 2pm Rumble the Riverwalk Classic Cars take it to Main Street
- 4pm Duck Raffle Ticket Drawing (sponsored by State Farm) \$1000 DUCK WINNER, (5) \$100 DUCK WINNERS
- 10:15pm (Start) Fireworks (sponsored by Laurels of Kent) at Stony Lakeside Park on Down Rd

Laurels of Kent
Fireworks
 Saturday, July 11, 10:15 PM.