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Lowell Township pedestrian river bridge and new park nearing completion



by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

The pedestrian bridge across the Grand River, part of the new Grand River Riverfront Park North at 11998 Fulton St. in Lowell Township, is scheduled to be accessible to the public by the end of June. When completed, the park will feature walking trails, a bathroom/concession building, a playground area, a ga-ga pit, a picnic shelter, an 18-hole disc golf course, a replica of a historical fur trader's cabin and other amenities.

"There are two bridges, really, and they meet on the island," said Lowell Twp supervisor Jerry Hale. "Each section is 320 feet long. This trail will connect the new Grand River Riverfront Park North to Grand River Riverfront Park. It's going to bring a lot of people to this area, a lot of people are excited about getting across that bridge. I think there will be people coming to take wedding pictures, graduation

pictures and stuff like that there."

That June date depends on how the weather goes. Right now the area in front of the bridge is deep, sticky river mud that is very bad for your shoes. The power and Internet lines that are being put in at the same time could also cause a delay.

"It's weather-related, but we hope to be done with the pathways to it by the end of June," Hale said. "It could be later, depending on the weather. We granted Lowell Light & Power an easement to go through both parks. They're going to put power out to Grand River Ave. to better loop their system, and fiber is going in for Vergennes Broadband in the same trench. They're going to bore under the river. I don't know how they do that, it's a directional bore and they know exactly where it's going to come out. As soon as Anlaan [the bridge contractor] is finished, then

Light & Power can put that in, and then we can start."

The project was originally scheduled to finish last fall and is a bit over budget. Hale said the major delays were caused by an endangered species and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

"It's about \$200,000 over budget, really, because hurricanes caused the cost of lumber to go up, then the price of steel went up," Hale said. "The cost of the bridge itself was \$2.8 million. Getting the DEQ permits was a lot of it. We had to do a Snuff Box Mussel survey and move like a dozen snails. I think it cost \$15,000 to do that. And we were lucky because, when they were doing work on a bridge in Grand Rapids, they had to move some also, and they'd already identified a spot just up river from where the Flat meets the Grand, so we

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The pathway to the new pedestrian bridge across the river is scheduled to be accessible by the end of June.

Traffic accident closes Lowell Dog Park



Sections of fence at the dog park were demolished in a traffic accident on Thursday, April 4.

by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

The Lowell Dog Park is closed after an unusual incident that happened just after 8 am on Thursday, April 4.

A driver who was experiencing an undisclosed medical issue went through the stop sign at the intersection of Valley Vista and Bowes Rd., smashed through the dog park fences,

down a hill and into ten feet of water. Some workers at nearby White's Bridge Tooling, 1395 Bowes Rd., witnessed the accident and rushed over to help.

"We were out having a cigarette when a guy in the front office said he saw a car fly through the intersection, so we went over there to see what happened," said White's Bridge Tooling

employee Nate Schafer. "I called 911 while we were walking over there. We saw the damage done at the dog park and saw the car down in the water. One of the other guys went down and got in the water and helped her get out and I waved down the firemen and the police when they showed up."

According to a Lowell Area Fire Department social

media post, the driver is okay now and her car was removed from the water on Friday by "your LAFD, along with Bud's recovery truck, Kent County dive team, Lowell PD and J and K Roadside Service."

"It was a crazy morning, but everybody is okay and that's all that matters," Schafer said.

The dog park is closed until further notice.

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LowellArts production of “Breaking Legs” opening April 19

by Patrick Misner
contributing reporter

The LowellArts Players’ first performance of the dinner theater production of “Breaking Legs” by Tom Dulack will take place April 19th with dinner beginning

Bradford, the director, offered her view of the play. “The play actually is about family, I think,” Bradford said. “I am a fan of Italian food and mafia movies, so I loved the premise of the play.



at 6:30 pm and the show at 7:30 pm. The play is directed by Sue Bradford and is described on the LowellArts website as “an action-packed comedy that includes murder, the mafia, and plenty of pasta and laughter.”

John P. Foley, Amy McDaniel, Matt Tawney, Ken Parrish, Gary Soentgen and Jeff Stacer make up the six-member cast, which includes many LowellArts theater veterans. They have been rehearsing since early March.

The play’s setting is largely “an Italian restaurant owned by a successful mobster and managed by his beautiful unmarried daughter,” according to the synopsis. The punny title references conflict that arises “when the daughter’s former college professor arrives to ask for financial backing for a play he’s written about a murder,” as the synopsis continues.

It is three ‘goodfellas’ who decide to produce a play for a novice playwright, who also is hopefully a love interest for one of the goodfella’s daughters. So it is father/daughter relationship, it’s friends and business partner relationships, and then you kind of see a little love story play out.”

There were also practical and other personal reasons for the choice of the play.

“We look for a play that is a little bit relevant and a smaller cast,” Bradford said. “Someone saw this play at a dinner theater in Florida and said it was a very funny, entertaining play, and it kind of fit what we’re looking for. And ‘Breaking Legs,’ the title, was kind of catchy. And it ties in with our dinner theater where we’ll turn the place into an Italian restaurant. So it just seemed like a really fun play to do. Two acts, not super long, but it is very, very funny.”

Larkin’s The Other Place will host the dinner theater production and, as mentioned by Bradford, will be serving various Italian-themed dishes and drinks, including chicken marsala, beef lasagna, chicken parmesan, limoncello and Chianti wine.

The cast still needs to fine-tune some aspects of their performance, but Bradford believes they are right on track for the first performance in a couple of weeks.

“[We] need the full rehearsal schedule, we are working around some vacations and other scheduling conflicts, but

two and half to three hour rehearsals. And then we have tech week after that, so I think at this point we’re right on schedule.”

This is far from Bradford’s first time working with the LowellArts Players and other Grand Rapids-area theater venues.

“I have been involved with this group since 1981 primarily as an actor,” Bradford said. “I started directing in the late 80s. I directed some in Grand Rapids; a playwright festival that’s performed at Dog Story Theater, but primarily I directed out here. I started the youth play program

“Up until two weeks ago, I was like ‘This is my last production with Lowell and I want to it to be better than all the others,’” Bradford explained. “And you always try... the next play you do, you always want it to be the best play you’ve ever done. But now I’m not moving, so it is still an important play, but there is not a sadness to it.”

Bradford loves participating in the theater community of Lowell.

“I feel that here in Lowell is probably the true definition of community theater,” Bradford said. “It’s amazing that people come and audition that have never

“Some of the people that started here in Lowell have actually gone on,” added Louise Weeks, the stage manager and long-time friend of Bradford. “I mean they are still working in Lowell, in our little group, but they have also worked with the Civic and other theaters in Grand Rapids, so getting their feet wet here and then moving on has also worked out very well.”

Jeff Stacer, who plays Frankie Salvucci in the play, got his start with the LowellArts Players in 2002 acting in *Inspecting Carol*.

“This is home theater to me,” said Stacer. “Even though I’ve acted in other places, this is really home.”

Stacer similarly noted how there is a particular emphasis on community in Lowell community theater productions. He acted with Jim Hodges, the former mayor of Lowell, in “*Murder by Natural Causes*.”

“So you have the mayor of Lowell in the play,” Bradford commented.

John Foley who plays Lou Graziano in “*Breaking Legs*” lives in Grand Rapids and has acted in several productions throughout the city, but he enjoys working with the LowellArts Players.

“The first time I came out here was for ‘*Escanaba in da Moonlight*,’” said Foley. “I had played in ‘*Escanaba*’ at the Circle Theater, and Sue Bradford saw me in that and she asked me to go out for ‘*The Odd Couple*.’ It is like a family, that is the big thing I like about it.”

“This is home, it’s like a family,” Bradford concluded.

Showings for “*Breaking Legs*” take place on April 19, 20, 26, 27, 28 and May 3 and 4. Links for tickets can be found at lowellartsmi.org/breaking-legs, they can be purchased over the phone at 616-897-8545 or by stopping into LowellArts at 223 W. Main St. downtown.



The cast of “Breaking Legs” poses with director Sue Bradford (center).

right now I don’t have any problem scenes, which is good,” Bradford commented. “We do a scene and we repeat, repeat, repeat; that helps us get lines and reinforces the blocking. One of our leads [is] on spring break right now, so we’ll have someone read their lines. The cast is great at continuing what they have to do with somebody reading somebody else’s lines. Next week we’ll do run-throughs every night, Monday through Friday. We’ll probably have

here directing and that has grown. In fact, Ken Parrish [who plays Mike Francisco in “*Breaking Legs*”] brought the playwright festival down in Grand Rapids to Lowell, and we’ve done... I think we’re on our fourth year now.”

When the process began for producing “*Breaking Legs*,” it was bittersweet for Bradford because she believed this would be her last time working with the Players, as she was planning on moving out of town.

ever been on stage before, but they thought they might like it, and they have just been fantastic. Everyone pitches in. I remember when we did one play a year, and it was families coming in and helping us with the set. And in this play, Teresa [Goldner] is helping to build the set with her husband. Her grandparents started this whole thing.”

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Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce's annual Girls Night Out event to have "jungle" theme

by Patrick Misner
contributing reporter

This year's spring "Girls Night Out" will take place on Thursday, April 18 from 5 until 9 pm at various businesses and restaurants throughout Lowell. The theme of the event is, "It's a Jungle Out There, Go a Little Wild!"

Since 2005, the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce has organized the events, and they take place the third Thursday of each April and October.

"It was an event local [business] owner, Karen Hale of the Hallmark store suggested we give a try," said Liz Baker, executive director of the Chamber. "She had been doing them in her store for just her customers. The event was a customer appreciation event. It was very successful. We combined efforts and it has proved to be a winner!"

Each Girls Night Out has a different theme.

"The merchants committee of the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce come up with theme ideas for Girls Night Out," Baker commented. "They try to make the theme fun and interactive with our guests."

A total of 36 different businesses are participating in the event with a wide variety of discounts and giveaways. For example, Station Salon will offer \$5 ten-minute massages along with other retail specials. A Charmed Life nail salon will offer a free hand paraffin with any service. Participants can also stop by Key Realty to sign up to win a spa basket. The Lowell Historical Museum will have free admission and serve up treats during the event. LowellArts will have a pop-up shop full of artisan crafts for the event, as well as the two days following. The LowellArts website describes the pop-up shop as "a pop-up artisan market showcasing handcrafted items by all women artists. Great finds for ladies and perfect gifts for Mother's



Pictured: scenes from previous Girls Night Out events

Day. Eighteen artists with work on sale for a limited time only at the LowellArts gallery."

Whitney Lassini will be at LowellArts during Girls Night Out selling customized stamped metal tags.

"Tags for [your] pets, back pack, purse, or use as a charm for a bracelet," according to the LowellArts

site. "Choose a metal tag (copper, aluminum, brass, etc.), and fill out what they want on their tag. Whitney will stamp and assemble the tags while you wait."

Cindy Allen will also be at LowellArts demonstrating "the wire wrapping technique that she uses to make rings using antique and vintage buttons. A large



quantity of one-of-a-kind rings will be available for purchase," according to the LowellArts site.

Local breweries, bars and a coffee shop will have food and drink specials during the event. Big Broiler Brewery will have half off appetizers and wine, and New Union Brewery will have \$1 off pints. Larkin's will have \$2.50 chips and cheese and both Larkin's and Sneaker's will have happy hour specials. Main Street BBQ will have a "Jungle Juice" beverage along with

other happy hour specials. At Sweet Seasons, customers will receive a chocolate treat with the purchase of a beverage.

"Because winter seemed so long this year, I think the ladies and the merchants are looking forward to celebrating spring and

maybe even go a little wild," Baker remarked.

More information and a full listing of events, discounts and giveaways can be found on the Discover Lowell website, www.discoverlowell.org/girls-night-out, or in the Lowell Buyer's Guide.



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In 1938, a referendum made Nazi Germany's annexation of Austria official.

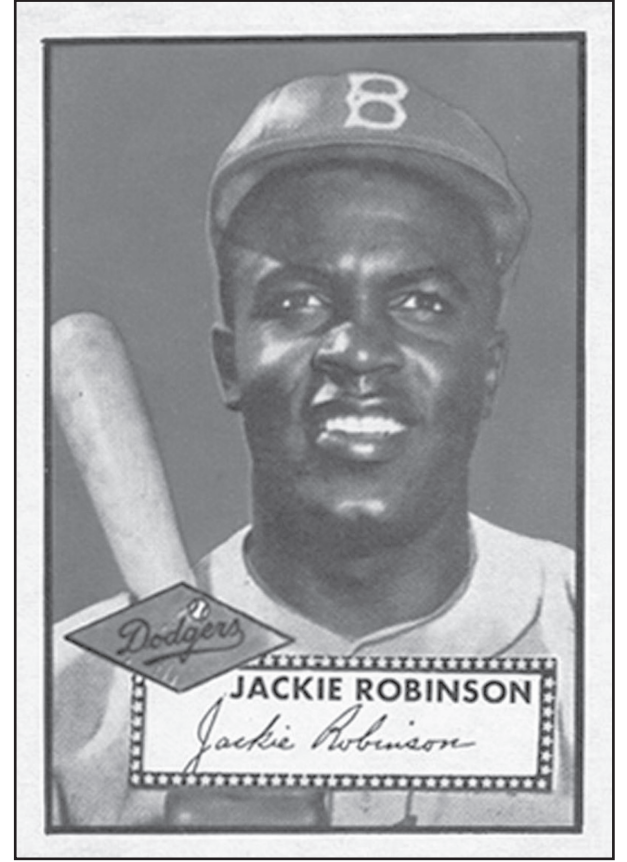
In 1972, famed comic actor and director Charlie Chaplin received an honorary Oscar at the 44th Annual Academy Awards, after a 12-minute standing ovation.

In 2003, Congress approved the Amber Alert system, which alerts the public to child abductions.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:

William Hazlitt (1778-1830), writer; William Booth (1829-1912), Salvation Army founder; Joseph Pulitzer (1847-1911), publisher; Harry Morgan (1915-2011), actor; Max von Sydow (1929-), actor; Omar Sharif (1932-2015), actor; John Madden (1936-), football coach/broadcaster; Steven Seagal (1952-), actor; Babyface (1959-), singer-songwriter/producer; David Harbour (1975-), actor; Charlie Hunnam (1980-), actor; Mandy Moore (1984-), actress/singer-songwriter; Haley Joel Osment (1988-), actor; Daisy Ridley (1992-), actress.

TODAY'S FACT: According to estimates from the CIA, residents of the 0.77-square-mile principality of Monaco enjoy the longest life expectancy in the world, at an average of 89.5 years.

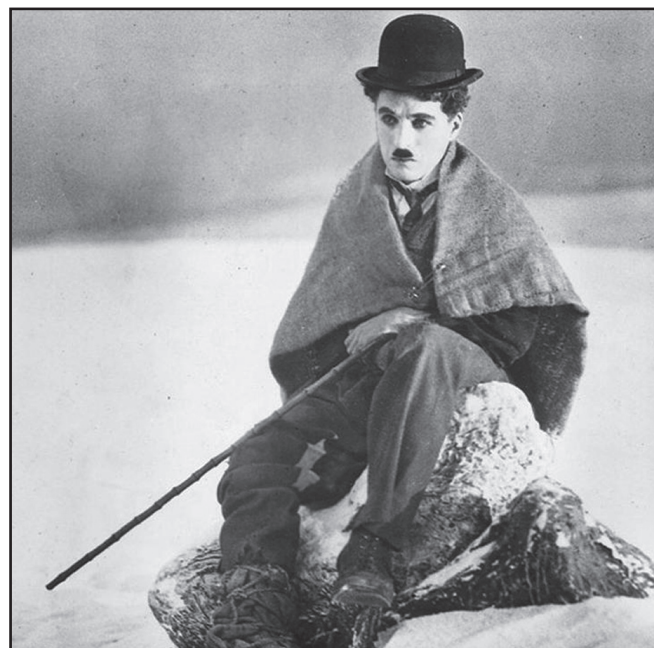


TODAY'S SPORTS:

In 1947, the Brooklyn Dodgers announced the purchase of Jackie Robinson's contract from the Montreal Royals, a minor-league club.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "You know more of a road by having travelled it than by all the conjectures and descriptions in the world."
 -- William Hazlitt

TODAY'S NUMBER: \$142.7 million -- amount raised in the Salvation Army's 2018 Red Kettle Campaign. The fundraising program "provides toys for kids, coats for the homeless, food for the hungry and countless social service programs year-round."



Charlie Chaplin in "The Gold Rush," 1925.

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (April 5) and first quarter moon (April 12).

Bridge, continued

also could relocate ours to that same spot. That saved us some money. We cut the trees on the island where the bridge goes through the island and chipped up the small brush. We were going to leave the logs on the island but the DEQ didn't like that because that's kind of like filling the flood plain. We had to lift all those logs with a crane onto the north shore so they could haul them away. That added \$20,000."

The project was paid for by grants and donations.

"It was a challenge to raise the money we needed, and we're still a couple hundred thousand dollars short to finish the whole project, the disc golf course and everything," Hale said. "If you look back, it's a little



over a \$5 million project. We got \$2.5 million from the Michigan Economic Development Corp., a grant from the Lowell Area Community Fund, business people in Lowell stepped up and Lowell Twp residents donated quite a bit of money - one of them \$100,000! That person remains anonymous."

At some point this summer they will have a ribbon cutting ceremony for the bridge and a grand opening for the fur trader's cabin.

These events may take place as part of the "Pink Arrow Community Day: West End Reveal" event in late August "This whole community has been really supportive," Hale said. "This community gets behind stuff if it's something they believe in. There is nothing like this in Kent County, or maybe even in West Michigan, 110 acres of park land connected by a bridge over the Grand River, it's just very unique."

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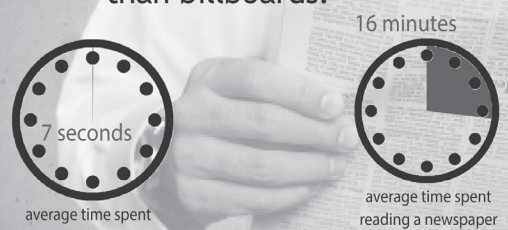
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viewpoint

to the editor

Dear Ledger:

“An investment in knowledge pays the best interest.” - Benjamin Franklin (Emphasis added).

I rarely cross one of the more dynamic Founding Fathers, the founder of our diplomatic corps and North America’s first scientist. But before *Directions*, Spring number, cites this worthy as persuasive authority for

the bond proposal, make sure he would view that under consideration as “knowledge,” but Franklin would not.

To have nuance is the willingness to fight on two fronts like the crazy *Krauts*. There is America’s and Michigan’s right wing, for forty years keen on abolishing, diluting, or at least urinating on

the benign functions of the modern state. Public education is one of the finest manifestations of public culture since colonial times, naturally in the cross-hairs of this “movement.”

As the right says darkly: “government schools,” or nicer, the education establishment often makes it easier for them. I rely on *Directions* as the journal of record for the Lowell district. I am not entitled to devour column space here to fly-speck the May bond proposal.

Know that the Father of the Republic would not deem *two* press boxes as “knowledge.” More tennis courts. Is this First Cabin on *Queen Mary*? Is a cafetorium so 1970’s? What in the devil is a “learning community?” Half of the thing is over-reaching, “No expected millage increase!” not withstanding. Bond holders are not a charity commission. I will be voting “no.”

G.M. Ross
Lowell

50 years The Lowell Ledger April 10, 1969

Harold F. Jefferies and Herbert Reynolds won two-year terms Monday on the city council in what may go into the records as the lightest vote in Lowell’s municipal history. A mere handful of 99 voters turned out for the spring election and gave each of the incumbent councilmen 73 votes...just two more than garnered by Arnold Wittenbach, the third incumbent running unchallenged for the three available seats. Wittenbach, who has served as mayor for six years, will serve a one-year term on the council.

A 38-year-old Alto man, father of three, died early Monday evening when the single-engined plane he was flying crashed after hitting power lines. An autopsy performed by Kent County Medical Examiner Dr. Ramon Lang Tuesday indicated that Ralph Townsend, Jr. apparently was killed instantly in the crash at a private airstrip at 60th Street and McCords between Alto and Cascade.

100 years The Lowell Ledger April 10, 1919

Although missing for a decade and legally dead for several years, Mrs. Alice Delilah Raymond, formerly of Ada township, has succeeded in establishing her identity in the probate court and Judge Clark E. Higbee has signed an order which brings her legally to life again. Nearly ten years ago Mrs. Raymond left her home. A short time later she could not be found. No one knew where she had gone and her estate, treated as that of a missing person, was taken into probate court where S. P. Hicks was appointed administrator. The property consists of a lot in the village of Ada and an 80-acre farm in Keene township, Ionia county.

Monday was Republican day in Michigan, the entire ticket of minor state officers being elected by large majorities. The good roads amendment authorizing highway construction with a limitation of \$50,000,000 was adopted by an overwhelming majority, city and rural voters agreeing in the matter. The state has voted dry again, dryer than ever and by twice the majority given the dry measure of 1916.

Kent county’s fight against the black stem rust of grains will be commenced this morning, when the city and rural school children, organized under capable teacher and pupil leaders, will begin the study and campaign of how to best combat the plague.

75 years The Lowell Ledger April 13, 1944

Plans are being laid for the Lowell Community Gardens again this year under the sponsorship of the Lowell Garden Club. Mr. C. H. Runciman has again generously offered the free use of his plowed and prepared land for garden plots, and Albert T. Hall, agricultural instructor of Lowell high school, will advise and help in the planning and planting.

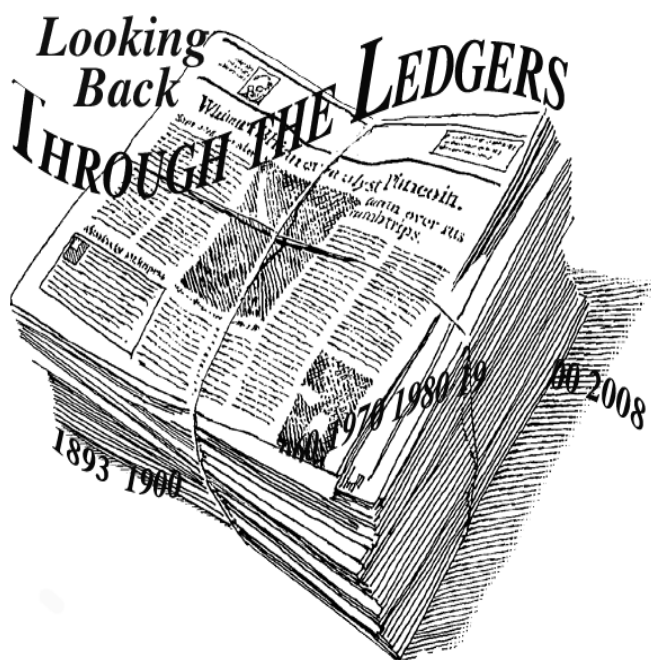
The Lamb Construction Company has finished making the foundation for the new flour mill and has moved on to other jobs.

“Remember, the biggest and best crop of any victory garden is health” is only one of the messages on the April calendars which have just been distributed to all schools is Grand Rapids and Kent County by the Grand Rapids Anti-tuberculosis Society. This part of the society’s health education program is aimed at the prevention of disease. One thousand of these calendars are distributed monthly and are large enough to be colored with crayons by the younger children. Norway is featured this month.

25 years The Lowell Ledger April 13, 1994

Accepting the new elementary principalship of Lowell’s new elementary building may be the biggest professional change William Markovich has ever had to make. It’s doubtful that this change will have the impact of the change that occurred in the lives of Markovich and his wife Annette 16 years ago. It was then, that couple became parents of triplets - Molly, Tricia, and Katie.

In the beginning there were two; now there are 112 involved in the planning and the eventual construction of “Create a Kingdom” playground at Creekside Park. The design of the 10,000 square foot playground is scheduled for April 18. Architect Dennis Wille, Leathers and Associates out of New York, will be there to collect pictures and ideas from children, parents, and people of the community. He will then incorporate the ideas into a plan throughout the day before unveiling his blueprint that evening at the First United Methodist Church of Lowell.



125 years ago Lowell Ledger April 14, 1894

Augustino Milani, Lowell’s Italian fruit dealer, is mourning the departure of his housekeeper, Jessie White, who he alleges left for parts unknown Thursday morning without saying good bye, and took with her his trunk containing a quantity of goods and \$100 in cash belonging to him. Milani called on Prosecuting Attorney Wolcoit Thursday and told his sad story which resulted in a warrant for grand larceny. Jessie White, or Mrs. Jessie White as she calls herself, according to Milani is a charming widow of French extraction and has all the vivacity, charming ways and conversational powers that a widow, and particularly a French widow, could be expected to possess. Milani became acquainted with her several months ago, and being a lively bachelor, imagined that she would make a charming housekeeper and would keep his rooms, which were above his store in apple-pie order. Mrs. White had a two-year-old infant to care for and needed a home. She gladly accepted the Italian’s offer and for a time things moved smoothly and joyously. Wednesday, however, Mr. Milani was compelled to go to Grand Ledge on business and left his store in charge of his housekeeper, whom he believed as good as she was beautiful. He states that he was basely deceived. When he returned home, desolation reigned there. His store was empty and locked up, and his housekeeper, all his money and a large part of his goods were gone.

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Some children miss school for medical reasons. But children who miss a lot of school often don't have health problems. Some reasons include not having a way to get to school, being bullied or not feeling safe at school, having to take care of sick family members, or anxiety and depression.

Children don't do well in school if they are not there. Students who miss a lot of school can have problems learning and making friends. They may drop out of school and not go to college. They may earn less money as adults, miss more work, and be less healthy than people who went to school regularly.

If your child has a health problem, ask your doctor to give the school a written plan. If your child has a serious illness, going to school part-time is better than being absent. If you know your child is going to miss school, make plans to

return as soon as possible. If you have concerns about food, money, or transportation, talk to your child's doctor and school counselor. There may be programs available in your community to help.

To make sure your child goes to school regularly, talk about school during the child's regular check-up. Set morning and bedtime routines, especially if your child did not attend preschool. Make sure your child goes to school on time every day. Keep track of how many days they have missed. If you think your child is being bullied or does not feel safe at school, talk to the principal, counselor, and teachers, consider transferring your child to a new school instead of keeping them at home and talk to your doctor about mental health support for your child.

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APRIL 15

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APRIL 16

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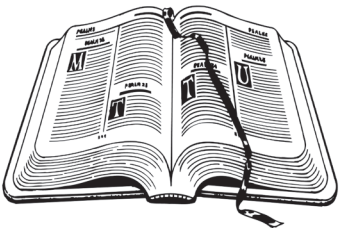
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Council Chat

By the Lowell City Council



any errors, the guys took on the challenges throughout cold temps, snow covered grounds, and winds gusting close to 20 mph. Equipped with hard hats, harnesses, boots with side hooks attached, ropes, and gloves, they made scaling the 40 foot poles seem like a walk in the park. In the eyes of an observer, who doesn't know any better, this is nothing short of amazing.

This event is considered the industry olympics. With each new event comes an opportunity for bragging rights between fellow linemen. It's a great opportunity for the ones who work so hard everyday to keep our lights on and our Lowell homes running.

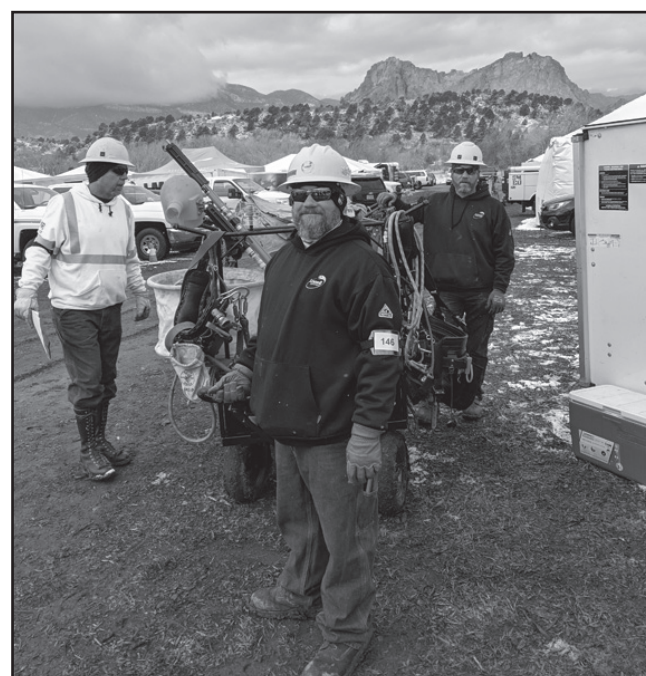
Though the guys from LLP weren't the fastest crew, they always strived to be as accurate and precise as possible. With only 500 points available, any error could be detrimental. Even going up against 130+ teams from all over the US, they made Lowell proud.

Later that night a banquet was held to honor and award participants and everyone who wasn't able to be there. During the awards ceremony, a photo stood out to me. It was called "Kiss of Life." It was taken in 1967 and shows JD Thompson straddling on a utility pole near the top breathing life into a coworker who had been knocked unconscious from a large electrical shock. Just a simple image makes me very proud of what these guys do every day for people they may not even know. The bond they share is more than just coworkers, they are brothers who have each others backs. I look forward to what's next for the LLP crew. I know whatever obstacle is in their path, they will conquer it and continue to make residents of Lowell proud.

Thank you again for all your hard work and dedication.

I would also like to thank Justin Mutschler for being there to explain each event and also Tom Russo for his knowledge and who has the respect of all members of the APPA Associations.

Marty Chambers



Mark Droog, Rich Mutschler and Steve Shade, aka Slim, had gone over their tasks for the Public Power Lineworkers Rodeo held at the Garden of the Gods in Colorado Springs. With a total of five events, each one awarding up to 100 points, and deductions for

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Much activity on the horizon for Lowell musician Ryne Clarke

by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

Lowell singer/songwriter Ryne Clarke has a series of radio shows coming up featuring ten local rock groups, his band The Ryne Experience is nearly finished recording an EP planned for release in July and a compilation CD of previous radio sessions is also scheduled to come out in July.

The bands that Clarke is bringing to Lowell for this round of WRWW radio sessions include Blank Mirror, Emma Loo and Sam, Nordy, the Lazy Pioneer, the Skinny Limbs, Future Mistrs, Short Panic, Drinking Mercury, Political Lizard and Pretoria. The bands show up one week before their show airs, march whatever instruments and gear they require up the steep steps to Clarke's second story bedroom, record a few songs and participate in an entertaining, enlightening interview. Clarke then has seven days between the recording and the airing to turn it into a coherent radio show and a YouTube-friendly video.

"With the people I booked, I was going for younger indie bands and some bands that I've played with recently," Clarke said. "A lot of bands might have one record or zero records out. I want to give them something they can show off to say, 'This is what we sound like.' That's a good thing for a band to have. It's also nice because it's



Ryne Clarke in his bedroom where he makes albums and hosts bands for live recording sessions.

not in Grand Rapids, so it seems more secluded. I'm definitely happy with the line up we put together. I'm really looking forward to Blank Mirror. I got a lot of inquiries about it, and I picked the people that I thought would best fit the series. You can expect to hear good performances by really cool bands from Michigan. The sessions will be mostly acoustic, and I want the bands to really be creative and loose. Unlike most radio sessions where they just set their gear up and play, it'll be more like a recording session. I'm suggesting acoustic because of the limited space, and sound-wise it would be hard to have a full-blown drum kit in here. Some of the

bands will probably bring a hi-hat and snare, a nice stripped down version."

Clarke's first band, the Preservers, formed in 2013 and made two albums. They've been on indefinite hiatus since 2017 when some of the members graduated from Lowell High School and went away to college, but the Preservers still play occasionally if all of them are in town at the same time.

The Ryne Experience has released one album so far, "Hokey." Clarke is putting the finishing touches on an EP, tentatively titled "Funky Town." Clarke said that "Funky Town" will be a "more mature-sounding release" with "a lot of experimentation." It will contain six brand new songs written by Clarke and brought to life by the ever-changing cast

of musicians that make up the Ryne Experience. So far, the mix of unusual noisemakers includes electric drums, electric kazoo, a vintage Leslie organ, accordion, ukulele, a guest vocalist going "oooh," 12 string guitar, cello, banjo and everything else within reach. Clarke blends all of these noises into a unique "experience" that somehow comes across simultaneously sounding current and classic. At this point, the unfinished tracks sound like a collaboration between the Raconteurs, Pavement and the Beach Boys.

For the "Funky Town" recording sessions, Clarke moved his operation from the basement of a band member's house on the outskirts of Lowell to the bedroom of his home in downtown Lowell. Clarke's bedroom/

recording studio is stuffed with musical instruments, musical equipment and a computer with audio recording software, plus

tons of record albums, 45s, CDs and cassette tapes. His tiny closet is bereft of clothes, instead it serves as an isolation booth for when he needs to record vocal tracks. There is also a bed.

"I'm shooting for right around my birthday on July 9, then I'll have four official releases out by the time I turn 21. That is kind of my goal," Clarke said. "I think this EP will be a tighter release. I've never done an EP, so I thought that would be fun. It's a bit more concentrated and displays more things in a shorter amount of time. On our album 'Hokey,' there were a lot of different things to take in. We explored a bunch of different genres, we learned how to make our sound and we really made the album we wanted. Now that we know what to do, we completed these six new songs in way under two months. All the songs



The first Ryne Experience album "Hokey" was recently released on cassette by the "Under the Counter" record label.

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were written within the last year or so, and this was recorded entirely here in my bedroom. It came together fast, we really cranked it out. It helped to record it here rather than at Jeremy [Kargl]'s, and it happened so fast now that we have some sort of formula. I haven't played these songs very much at all except here in the bedroom."

Another July event is the release of a CD culled from previous WRWW music sessions. It will include live-on-the-Lowell-airwaves cuts from Conrad Shock & The Noise, Blaine and his Keyboard, Tommy Plural, Bet on Rats, Boy from School and others. There will be a release show for that CD at LowellArts on Sunday, July 14 from 3 pm until 9 pm.

"I've been doing weekly radio on Sundays from noon until three called 'For the Record' with a musician friend of mine named 'Sleeping' Timmy Rodriguez," Clarke said. "He did a session at LowellArts

last summer. I had him come on my show one week and he just never left. Now he's my co-host. We've been having bands on there weekly. GTG Records out of Lansing is doing a compilation CD of all the people that have been on our radio show, and at the thing at LowellArts we're having five or six bands and we'll be spinning vinyl live and interviewing the bands between their performances. We'll be broadcasting it all, it'll be a big jamboree, party thing. I am excited for that, we're going to have a good time. LowellArts is behind us once again, which is awesome. They have been a huge help with doing shows like this."

The Ryne Experience is playing at Mulligan's Pub in Grand Rapids at 9 pm on Thursday, April 11. The new batch of "Upstairs, Man" radio sessions will air on 92.3 WRWW every Sunday afternoon starting May 12. For more information, visit lowellradio.org or RyneShyne.club.

Township to spray for gypsy moths

by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

After suffering a bad infestation for the past couple of years, Lowell Township is preemptively spraying for gypsy moths this year. There is no cost to residents.

According to a letter being sent to residents, the spraying will be done by aircraft in May or June and the moths should be dead about a week later.

"Most of the spraying will be done during the early morning hours when the air is cool and winds are at a minimum," the letter states. "The exact date and time cannot be known in advance, as spray depends on the insect stage, leaf development and weather conditions. [...] The [bacillus thuringiensis] spray is applied in a very fine mist for maximum coverage of the leaves. It is applied at one quart per acre in droplets only 5/1,000 of an inch in diameter. This protects the leaves with about 50 droplets per square inch."

Because B.t. spray is nontoxic to humans, it's often used to combat gypsy moths.

"B.t. is a biological insecticide and is known only to affect the caterpillars of moths and butterflies that are actively feeding at the time of treatment," the Lowell Twp letter states. "After ingestion, it destroys the caterpillar's stomach and the insect slowly dies. [...] Eradication of the gypsy moth is not possible and should not be expected. The

intent of the spray program is to give heavily infested home areas some relief from the caterpillar nuisance and to protect other areas from outbreaks when feasible. Homeowners are encouraged to reduce the gypsy moth population in their area by ground spraying, collecting and destroying egg masses and destroying caterpillars."

Gypsy moths were initially brought to the US by French scientist Étienne Léopold Trouvelot in 1868. Trouvelot was trying to breed a species of moth that would be more resistant to disease than American moths. He did a pretty good job, a recent estimate was \$868 million in damages caused in the US annually by gypsy moths. Gypsy moths will eat oak, aspen, apple, sweetgum, speckled alder, basswood, paper birch, poplar, willow, cottonwood, hemlock, Atlantic white cypress, pine, spruce and hawthorn trees. Mice, flies and wasps eat a few gypsy moths here and there, but they're usually dealt with

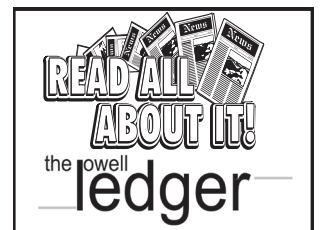


Last year, this tree in Lowell Twp had at least five visible gypsy moth larva. [photo by Christie Gelineau]

through spraying pesticides like bacillus thuringiensis (foray), acephate (orthene), carbaryl (sevin) or diflubenzuron (dimilin). Unfortunately, many of these chemicals also kill wild bees and other useful insects. A less widely used alternative method is called "mating disruption." Gypsy moth sex pheromones are sprayed randomly around the infested area during breeding season. This sexually confuses the male gypsy moths to death.

Meanwhile, the female moths sit unfertilized until they die of old age.

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25th Annual Lowell Area Crop Walk announced

submitted by Louis Graham, Bowne Center United Methodist Church Crop Walk Coordinator

This year marks the 25th Lowell Area Crop Walk. It is also the 50th

year since the start of the Crop Walk's existence nationwide. Lowell's Crop Walk will take place Sunday, May 5 with

registration and a small soup lunch at 1:00 and the walk starting at 1:30. The starting location is at the Lowell United Methodist Church.

The walk is 5 kilometers (3.1 miles) long and raises money for Church World Services to help fight hunger worldwide. The

distance walked represents the approximated average distance walked for water in underdeveloped countries. The earlier walks were much longer, so the present five kilometer walk represents the progress that has been made. 25 percent of the money raised stays in the Lowell area and helps both the Flat River Outreach Ministries and the Lowell Senior Neighbors program.

The area churches involved in the last few years are: Bowne Center United Methodist Church, Calvary Christian Reformed Church, First Congregational Church, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Lowell United Methodist Church,

Vergennes United Methodist Church and could also be your church. The total amount raised over the 24-year history of the walk in Lowell is \$395,813.00.

If anyone would like to join and/or donate, contact Paul Benjamin at 616-481-2906 or email him at paulebenjamin@gmail.com, or contact Louis Graham at 269-792-0490. Pledge forms are available through arrangements with Benjamin or Graham or at the Lowell United Methodist Church on the day of the walk. You can also go to crophungerwalk.org/lowellmi for more information or to make a donation.

NOTICE OF DAY OF REVIEW OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES COLDWATER RIVER INTERCOUNTY DRAIN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on Tuesday, the 9th day of May, 2019, at the Kent County Drain Commissioner's Office, 1500 Scribner Ave NW, Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49504, the Kent County Drain Commissioner will hold a Day of Review of Drainage District Boundaries, from 8:30am until 4:30pm, to hear the proofs and allegations, and to carefully reconsider and review the description of lands comprising the Coldwater River Intercounty Drain Drainage District. The Drain Commissioner shall determine whether the addition and/or deletion of lands will more accurately define the boundaries of the land benefitted by the Drain, located and established in the Township of Bowne and the Charter Township of Lowell, County of Kent, and whether such addition and/or deletion of lands is just and equitable pursuant to Section 197 of Act No 40, PA 1956, as amended.

the meeting should contact the County Drain Commissioner at (616) 632-7910, or through the Michigan Relay Center at 1-800-649-3777 (TDD), at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

A map depicting the proposed revisions to the Coldwater River Intercounty Drain Drainage District, as recommended by a licensed professional engineer or surveyor, is enclosed with this Notice.

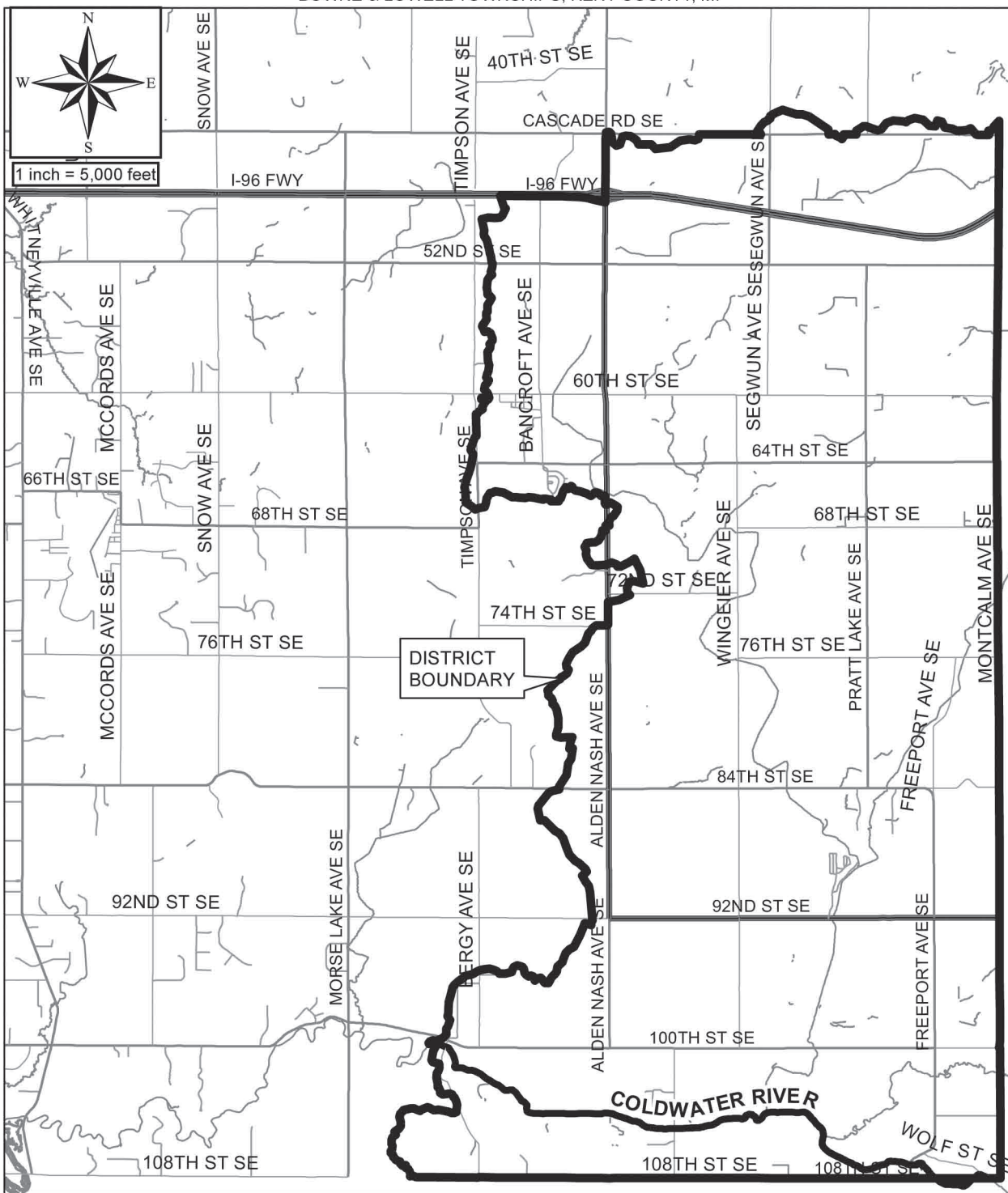
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Kenneth J Yonker, Kent County Drain Commissioner

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Bowne Center United Methodist churches group of 2018 Crop Walkers taken by Kristi Robinson.

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SPORTS

Varsity softball team victorious, baseball team drops a pair

submitted by WRWW

On their return from spring training at Gulf Shores, Alabama, Lowell's softball and baseball teams stopped off at the New Albany, Indiana, High School and Seymour, Indiana, High School to compete against two schools that are known to have strong athletic programs. The Red Arrow girls' softball team defeated New Albany, 14-4. Several miles away, Lowell's baseball team dropped a pair of games at Seymour,

as part of a doubleheader, 6-5 to the Owls of Seymour and 10-5 to the Bulldogs of New Albany.

The softball team remains undefeated early in the season, with three wins and no losses. Lowell's Madie Johnston only allowed five hits and four runs as the winning pitcher. She had excellent control, walking one batter. Maddi Jordan had 4 RBI's on three hits, two of which were triples. Both Kaia Zimmerman and Kenzie Jordan also had three

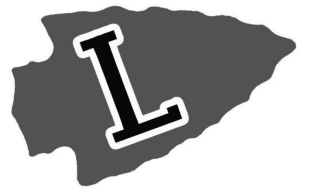
hits. Lowell had 14 hits in the six-inning contest, shortened by the mercy rule. Kylee Stephens and Hanna Bogoski both had multiple hits. The ladies have a scheduled home doubleheader against the Cedar Springs Red Hawks on Wednesday, April 10th, starting at 4:15 pm. On Friday, they travel to Cedar Springs for a single game – also at 4:15 pm.

Lowell's baseball team lost a heartbreaker to Seymour High School in their 11:00 am contest.

Trailing 5-3 against the Arrows, in the bottom of the seventh inning, two runners on base, with two out and a 1-2 count on the Owls' Jake Roberts, he responded by depositing the next pitch over the left field fence for a walk-off, game-ending, three-run, home run. Down 3-0 in the fifth inning, the Red Arrows scored five runs, aided by hits from Jackson Helder, Nick Weston, and Jordan Dent. Lowell managed five hits during the game, as did Seymour.

The afternoon match with New Albany High School saw Lowell give up several early runs to the Bulldogs, aided in large part by issuing 11 walks to the New Albany batters, with several of them eventually scoring. Both teams had ten hits during the contest. Lowell was led by Aiden Malone with three hits, Jackson Helder with two and Benny Davis with two. The baseball team has an April 10th home doubleheader with the Red Hawks of Cedar Springs, then travels

to Cedar Springs on Friday, April 12, for a single game. Those games are scheduled to start at 4:15 pm.



Go Red Arrows!

Lowell High School starts Esports club

submitted by WRWW

A new club, Esports, has formed at Lowell High School. "Esports is actually competitive gaming" explains adviser, Al Eckman. "Esports has caught on in a big way with many schools and universities, making it available to their students as a club/sport. Numerous colleges offer scholarships for participants." The Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Representative Council has talked about the possibility of adding Esports to their list of sponsored sports, both at their summer meeting last year, and the winter meeting in March. The OK Conference, of which Lowell is a member, has also had preliminary discussions about incorporating Esports as a competitive 'sport'.

Right now, 30 students at Lowell High School have signed up to be members of the LHS Esports Club. In addition, over 20 eighth graders indicated an interest in the club at the annual eighth grade orientation night a few weeks ago.



Some of the Esports member practicing their 'gaming'.

The club is meeting, on a temporary basis, at the Englehardt Library.

Popular games to be played are: Counter Strike: Global Offensive, Fortnite, Super Smash Bros, Overwatch, League of Legends, Rocket League, Rainbow Six Siege, Apex Legends, Call of Duty, and Battle Royale, to name a few. Following several practice sessions, team captains will be



Kelly Nietupski

selected and competition will be scheduled with other schools. The same eligibility rules that apply to Lowell athletes will be in effect for Esports members.

Students in eighth grade or high school, that have an interest in joining the Esports Club, should call or text Al Eckman at 616-450-4332.

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PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO
CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 19-205043-DE

Estate of FRED
VERNON BERNARD,
deceased. Date of
birth: 07/12/1925.

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO
CREDITORS: The
decendent, Fred
Vernon Bernard, died
12/23/2018.

Creditors of the
decendent are notified

that all claims against
the estate will be
forever barred unless
presented to Geoffrey
Bernard, personal
representative, or to
both the probate court
at 180 Ottawa Avenue
NW, Grand Rapids, MI
49503 and the personal
representative within 4
months after the date
of publication of this
notice.

Craig A. Bruggink
(P29358)
429 Turner Ave. NW
Grand Rapids, MI 49504
616-456-5048

Geoffrey Bernard
1377 140th Ave.
Wayland, MI 49348
269-806-8706

SPRING SPORTS

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

CALENDAR

BOYS & GIRLS VARSITY TRACK
* Denotes a meet at Red Arrow Stadium
4/16 at 4 pm OK White Jamboree #1*

GIRLS VARSITY LACROSSE
* Denotes a home game at Red Arrow Stadium
4/12 at 6 pm at Zeeland East
4/13 at 3 pm at DeWitt
4/15 at 7 pm at Spring Lake*
4/17 at 7 pm at Caledonia

BOYS VARSITY LACROSSE
* Denotes a home game at Red Arrow Stadium
4/13 at 11 am at Kenowa Hills
4/16 at 7:15 pm South Christian*

GIRLS VARSITY TENNIS
* Denotes a game at LHS tennis courts
4/12 at 4:15 pm at Wayland Union
4/16 at 4:15 pm Cedar Springs*

GIRLS VARSITY SOCCER
* Denotes a home game at Red Arrow Stadium
4/13 at 11:45 am Forest Hills Eastern*
4/15 at 6:45 pm Cedar Springs*

BOYS VARSITY GOLF
* Denotes a meet at Deer Run Golf Course
4/13 at 9 am GR Christian Invite at Quail Ridge
4/15 at 3:30 pm Kenowa Hills*
4/17 at 3:30 pm Jamboree #1 at Thousand Oaks
4/19 at 3:30 Wyoming at Glen Eagle

GIRLS VARSITY SOFTBALL
* Denotes a game at Cherry Creek Field
4/12 at 4:15 Cedar Springs*
4/17 at 4:15 Kenowa Hills* (doubleheader)

BOYS VARSITY BASEBALL
* Denotes a game at Cherry Creek Field
4/12 at 4:15 pm at Cedar Springs
4/15 at 4:15 pm at Caledonia
4/17 at 4:15 pm Kenowa Hills* (doubleheader)

obituaries

HARWOOD

N. Clare Harwood, age 77 of Lowell, MI, passed away on April 1, 2019 after a short illness. He is survived by his wife, Mary Beth; daughters, Carri (John) Graber, Heather (Jon) Alferink; son, Joe (Carrie) Kiczenski; 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren; brother, Stanley (Angie) Harwood of Tawas City, MI; brother- and sister-in-law, Al and Shirley Stevens; many nieces and nephews. Clare was an avid bowhunter, woodworker and a big fan of Bluegrass music. No services are scheduled at this time. Memorials may be made to FROM (Flat River Outreach Ministries), 11535 E. Fulton Street, Lowell 49331 or the Charity of One's Choice.



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MICHEL

Martha L. Michel went to be with the Lord on March 29, 2019 at the age of 91. Longtime resident of Birmingham. Beloved wife of Dr. Richard for 68 years. Loving mother of Carol Michel and the late Jane Goding and Paul Michel. Cherished grandmother of Jason Goding, Debbie Michel, and David Michel. Proud great-grandmother of Katelynn Nguyen, Trey Paiva, Andrew Goding, and Athena Goding. Dear sister of Linda Barnes and the late James Stephens and William Stephens. Caring sister-in-law of Helen Stephens. Family will receive friends Friday, April 12, 2019 from 2-7:30pm at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward Ave. (btwn 13-14 Mile), (248) 549-0500. Funeral Service Saturday, April 13, 2019, 11am at First United Methodist Church, 1589 W. Maple Rd., Birmingham. Memorial tributes to the church or the Paul Michel & Jane Goding Scholarship Fund, C/O Lawrence Technological University, 2100 W. 10 Mile Rd., Southfield, MI 48075. View obituary and share memories at AJDesmond.com.

TYLER

Virginia Tyler, age 75, of Kentwood, formerly of Lowell, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Monday, April 8, 2019, at her home. She was preceded in death by her father, John Hembree of Houston, TX. She is survived by her mother, Ruth Hembree (96 years old) of Houston TX; her brother, Gene Hembree of Hugo, OK; her children, John (Kara) Meade, Megan (Tad) VanSolkema, Scott (Camille) Tyler, Kecia Tyler, Ryan Tyler, Megan Tyler and Michael (Amanda) Tyler. Virginia was deeply loved by her 18 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, April 13 at 11 AM at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 4351 Parnell Rd, Ada, MI 49301. Interment Oakwood Cemetery. Virginia's family will receive visitors Friday, April 12 from 6-8 PM with a Rosary Service at 7 PM at Roth-Gerst Chapel, 305 N. Hudson, Lowell, MI 49331. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to God's Kitchen, 303 S. Division Ave, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 or the School of Missionary Aviation Technology, 84 E. Sprague Rd, Ionia, MI 48846.



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- Annette Funicello

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Financial Literacy Month – A perfect time to plan for your future

With April being Financial Literacy Month, there's no time like the present to begin saving for your financial future. The earlier you start saving, the more you can accrue in a 401k individual retirement account and other types of IRAs. Social Security helps secure your future, but Social Security is only one part of a more complete retirement plan.

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your own personal *my Social Security* account at www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount/ and quickly have access to your information from anywhere. There, you can do many things, but the most important thing is to view your *Social Security Statement*.

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One sure way to stay on top of your financial future is to join the more than 38 million people who have opened their own *my Social Security* account at www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount/. The sooner you start planning for retirement the better off you will be.

Vonda VanTil is the Public Affairs Specialist for West Michigan. You can write her c/o Social Security Administration, 3045 Knapp NE, Grand Rapids MI 49525 or via email at vonda.vantil@ssa.gov.

FAXING
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the **ledger**
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897-9261
Mon.-Thurs. 8-5; Fri 8-noon

NOTICE OF DAY OF REVIEW OF APPORTIONMENT COLDWATER RIVER INTERCOUNTY DRAIN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on Thursday, the 9th day of May, 2019, at the Kent County Drain Commissioner's Office, 1500 Scribner Ave NW, Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49504, County of Kent, or such place and time, I, Kenneth J Yonker, Kent County Drain Commissioner, may adjourn, the apportionment for benefits and the lands comprised within the Coldwater River Intercounty Drain Drainage District, and the tentative apportionments against parcels and municipalities in the Drainage District, will be subject to review on the above specified date only, from 8:30am until 4:30pm. Also on this date, the computation of cost for said drain will be open for inspection by any interested parties. You may also review your apportionments by phone at (616) 632-7910.

WHEREAS, you are further advised that, pursuant to Section 154 of the Michigan Drain Code of 1956, as amended, drain assessments against land will be collected in the same manner as property taxes. If drain assessments are being collected for more than one (1) year, you may pay the assessment in full with any interest to date at any time and avoid further interest charges.

WHEREAS, you are further advised that, pursuant to Section 155 of the Michigan Drain Code of 1956, as amended, any owner of land within the Coldwater River Intercounty Drain Drainage District or any city, village, township, district or county, feeling aggrieved by the apportionment of benefits made by the Drain Commissioner, may appeal the apportionment within ten (10) days after the "Day of Review of Apportionment" by making an application to the Kent County Probate Court for the appointment of a Board of Review. If there is no appeal, the roll will be confirmed ten (10) days after the "Day of Review of Apportionment". The confirmed roll may be slightly different from the roll presented at the Day of Review, due to arguments made at the Day of Review.

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AS A PROPERTY OWNER WITHIN THE DISTRICT, YOU ARE SUBJECT TO A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR A PORTION OF THE COST OF THIS PROJECT.

The government units and permanent parcel numbers of the parcels of land within the Special Assessment District of said drain being assessed are located at the end of this notice.

NOW, THEREFORE, all unknown and non-resident persons, owners and persons interested in the above described lands, and you: Randy Wilcox (Bowne Township Supervisor), Jerry Hale (Lowell Charter Township Supervisor), Lisa Posthumus Lyons (Kent County Clerk), Paul C. Ajegba (Director of Michigan Dept. of Transportation) and Steve Warren (Managing Director of the Kent County Road Commission) that at such time and place, as stated above, the apportionment for benefits and the lands comprised within the Coldwater River Intercounty Drain Special Assessment District will be subject to review.

AND EACH OF YOU, owners and persons interested in the above referenced parcels of land, are hereby given the opportunity to appear, at the time and place noted above, to review the apportionments and be heard with respect to such special assessments and your interests in relation to them, if you so desire.

Dated this 4th day of April, 2019.

Kenneth J Yonker,
Kent County Drain Commissioner

Government units and Parcel Numbers of lands and being assessed:

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The Charter Township of Lowell and the Township of Bowne at large, the Michigan Dept. of Transportation on account of highways, and the County of Kent on account of roads.

FUN PAGE

SUDOKO

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Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

1950s SLANG WORD SEARCH

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F	B	I	L	D	O	T	A	L	L	S	T	K	L	A	R	E	B	K	N
O	P	K	N	O	A	R	E	E	C	E	H	L	E	E	L	I	G	M	I
Y	Y	A	K	S	Y	E	B	B	F	K	A	D	A	T	T	L	I	I	K
I	G	I	C	G	T	B	R	L	B	B	E	O	L	H	E	P	G	D	O
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O	L	U	T	I	K	T	P	E	R	L	A	I	D	E	R	H	F	G	B
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B	D	G	C	L	M	I	L	N	U	I	A	B	L	A	D	B	P	E	K
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C	L	I	K	J	B	L	C	K	L	S	E	R	T	B	B	I	N	G	O
L	K	T	G	R	O	D	Y	M	O	S	T	T	J	M	C	M	F	F	F

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

Puzzle solutions on page 12

1950s SLANG WORD SEARCH

APPLE
BABY
BALLAD
BASH
BIT
BLAST
BREAD

BURN
BUTTER
CAT
CHARIOT
CLANKED
CLYDE
COOKIN
COOTIES
CRANKED
CUBE

DEUCE
EYEBALL
FAR OUT
FLICK
GERM
GIG
GRODY
HANG
HEP
HORN

JACKETED
JETS
KEEPER
KICK
KOOKIE
LID
MOST
NEST
PUNK

Guess Who?

I am an actress and model born in California on April 3, 1998. I am the only daughter of a pop music icon, and he received custody of me and my brothers after my parents' divorce. My first public appearance was at age 11.

Answer: Paris Jackson

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to jazz.

E T A S B

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Answer: Beats

	1	2	3	4			5	6	7	8	
9					10		11				12
13					14		15				
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	23			24		25				26	
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43					44		45		46		47
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53							54			55	
56								57			
	58								59		

CLUES ACROSS

- As fast as can be done
- WC's
- Religious retreat
- Warfare
- One you wouldn't expect
- Disease-causing microorganisms
- For each
- Grammatical term
- One point east of southeast
- ___ Dern, actress
- Popular HBO drama (abbr.)
- Shampoo
- Scale drawing of a structure
- An enclosure for confining livestock
- Goat-like mammal
- Cigar
- Appear
- "Westworld" actress ___ Rachel Wood
- Leaked through
- The highest adult male singing voice

CLUES DOWN

- Musical group ___ Soundsystem
- Shade
- Aurochs
- Crazy (Spanish)
- Swiss river
- Strains
- Frock
- Found in most body tissues
- Cool!
- Reasons behind
- Christian recluse
- Removes
- Repents
- Energy
- Tailless amphibian
- Adventurer
- A way to gain
- A salt or ester of boric acid
- Monetary units
- Removed
- "My country, tis of ___"
- Horses
- Drives back by force
- Bold, impudent behavior
- Rates
- Types of nerves in males
- A ridge of sand created by the wind
- Wind instrument
- Pakistani city
- Dry or withered
- Delivered a speech
- Peak
- Small waterbird
- Days falling in mid-month
- Elvis' daughter
- Flat and smooth
- Dallas Cowboys great Leon
- What cows say

Lowell school board learns about career readiness

by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

The Lowell Area Schools Board of Education had their regular monthly meeting at 7 pm on Monday, April 8. The meeting lasted 35 minutes and was attended by 16 local residents.

The board heard an update about career readiness from three representatives of the district's counseling staff, counselors Tory Parsons, R.J. Boudro and Nicole Deckrow. Lowell middle and high school students have many opportunities to take advantage of including job shadowing, visits to job sites and exposure to the newest technology, that will prepare them for their future careers. The ultimate goal of these programs is to give students a realistic idea of what their dream career is actually like in practice.

"There will be curriculum embedded in core classes related to career [readiness] in every grade," Parsons said. "[It teaches] kids that what they're doing in class is relatable to the world of work, and how these things connect."

"There is more we can do, it's just a matter of where we want to put our efforts," Deckrow said. "We want to focus on what's going to be most beneficial for our students and our community."

Superintendent Greg

Pratt offered the board a brief update about how the make-up of snow days will be handled. According to state law, districts are allowed to cancel six days due to conditions beyond their control, including storms, fires, epidemics, power outages, water or sewer failure and so forth. Schools can request up to three more days from the state superintendent. After last school year, 200 of these special requests were approved and 10 were denied.

"We're still just waiting to see if the state will be giving us an opportunity to gain some of those days back," Pratt said. "Right now we're looking at making up six days from our snowy winter."

"Why it's such a hard decision, I don't know," said board president Jim Turner. "They're either going to grant us the extra days or they're not."

Pratt and the board briefly discussed the Tuesday, May 7 school bond election. Comprehensive information about the bond can be found at lowellschools.com/our-district/superintendent/2019-bond-election.

"If you don't have good information regarding the bond, you can find it," Pratt

said. "Our website is filled with good information."

"We've worked over a number of years with professional capacities, engineers, school architects and demographers studying our population and studying what is necessary in our school buildings," said board secretary Pat Nugent. "After that we've, in the last year, had a number of opportunities for community discussion, community forums. Again and again we're hearing public support for the needs that have been identified and presented. These are real needs, these are bread and butter, being able to educate students."

"One of the things that the bond issue is going to address is upgrading our athletic facilities," said board trustee Laurie Kuna. "We see it as an opportunity to not just have high school kids playing on it, but to open it up to the community."

Lowell Area Schools food service director Mindy Grant announced that she is leaving that position after seven and a half years. Grant has accepted a promotion and will be replaced by district chef Brad Stinson.

"I've had a great run here and enjoyed every moment of it, but I had a chance for advancement, so I'm going to go for it" Grant said. "I am



Lowell Area Schools counselors Tory Parsons, R.J. Boudro and Nicole Deckrow gave a presentation on career readiness at the school board meeting on Monday, April 8.

going to become the regional director of operations for a company called Morrison's, which is a sister company to Chartwell's, who I currently work for. I'm going to basically be running 15 accounts at community living centers, so I'm moving

from one age group to the other. You're in great hands. Brad was hired in August of last year. He's kind of been working with me for the last several months and now I think he's ready to play the role. I think he'll do great."

The school board's next regular meeting will be in the Runciman Building, 300 High St., at 7 pm on Monday, May 13. They will have a work session meeting will be in the same location at 6 pm on Monday, April 22.

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