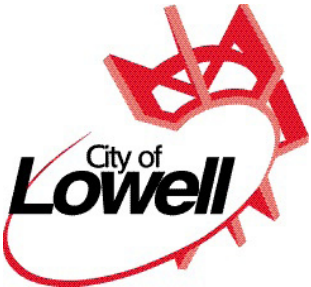


New football coach!



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Canfield Plumbing & Heating having 25th anniversary open house on May 17

by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

Canfield Plumbing & Heating, 411 E. Main, will celebrate their 25th anniversary with a Customer Appreciation Day on Friday, May 17 from 11 am until 2 pm.

Company owner Greg Canfield has lived in Lowell his entire life and is a 1975 alumni of Lowell High School. Over the years, Canfield has served on the Planning Commission, Historic District Commission, Lowell Light & Power board, Downtown Development Authority and the Property Tax Board of Review, and he is currently a member of the Construction Board of Appeals, the Parks and Recreation Committee, the Lowell Area Recreational Authority and the Lowell city council. He also owns the Main Street Inn and a few other buildings around town, all of which he has



Greg Canfield (above) started his company on Jan. 1, 1993. Canfield Plumbing & Heating will have a Customer Appreciation Day starting at 11 am on Friday, May 17.

worked to restore to their historic prime.

Canfield said that, back in the 90s, he saved up his money and started a business after the company he was

working for began to treat their employees poorly.

"I had been working for a small, family-owned plumbing business for a few years," Canfield said.

"They stopped paying us profit sharing or quarterly bonuses because they had hired a family friend who needed a job but didn't contribute revenue due to

a lack of experience. At the time, I had six months of wages, \$10,000, in the bank and decided to give it a try running my own business. I started Canfield Plumbing & Heating on Jan. 1, 1993. I figured I could always go beg for my job back if I failed. Fortunately, the economy was booming at the time and things went well. A year later, I hired my first coworker and began growing the business past what I could do on my own."

But it wasn't all bread and roses at first, Canfield had to work like a beast to make the company the success that it has become.

"The first few years were difficult," Canfield said. "It wasn't uncommon to put in up to a hundred hours a week, but that's what it took to keep up with the growing demand for our services. Luckily, my plumbing skills

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LHS scores big on US News "Best High Schools" list

by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

Lowell High School was named the 1,360th best high school in the nation and the 47th best in Michigan by the national magazine US News & World Report in their annual "Best High Schools" feature. This places LHS in the top eight percent of American high schools.

The magazine assessed and ranked 17,245 high schools across the country, 1,040 of them in Michigan, in six categories: college readiness, college curriculum breadth, math and reading proficiency, math and reading performance, underserved student performance and graduation rate.

According to an explanation of the list on their website, the data is more accurate and comprehensive this year than it has ever been before.

"The highest ranked US public schools in US News & World Report's 2019 Best High Schools rankings are those whose attendees demonstrated

outstanding outcomes above expectations in math and reading state assessments, passed a diverse array of college-level exams and graduated in high proportions," the explanation states. "In coordination with North Carolina-based RTI International, a global nonprofit social science

research firm, US News ranked 17,245 public high schools out of more than 23,000 reviewed. This is the count of public high schools that had a 12th grade enrollment of 15 or greater, or otherwise had sufficient enrollment in other high school grades during the 2016-2017 school year to be analyzed. It is six to

seven times larger than more than 2,700 ranked schools in the 2018 edition. We did this by summing their weighted scores across six indicators of school quality, then computed for each school a single zero to 100 overall score reflective of performance across these metrics. The overall scores depict how well each school did on a national percentile basis. For example, a school with a score of 60 performed in the 60th percentile among all schools in the rankings. This is a big change from last year's rankings where schools were ineligible to be ranked if they came up short on state assessments or graduation rates. Back then, only schools performing well enough on those factors were included."

Some other West Michigan schools also performed well in the

magazine's standings. City Middle/High School in Grand Rapids was ranked #2 in Michigan and #38 nationally, Northville High School was #8 in Michigan and #385 nationally, East Grand Rapids High School was #12 in Michigan and #504 nationally, Forest Hills Northern was #16 in Michigan and #619 nationally and Forest Hills Central was #20 in Michigan and #678 nationally.

For the full breakdown of Lowell's data, visit <https://www.usnews.com/education/best-high-schools/michigan/districts/lowell-area-schools/lowell-senior-high-school-10101>.



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Monday, May 6 city council meeting report



Local resident Perry Beachum said the new fencing at Oakwood Cemetery will be installed by volunteers at 8 am on Saturday, May 18.

by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

Lowell city council had their latest regular meeting at city hall on Monday, May 6. The meeting lasted 42 minutes and was attended by 11 citizens.

It was announced that assistant city manager Rich LaBombard has accepted a position in Douglas, MI as their city manager; his last day here in Lowell will be June 7.

“It’s not good for the city of Lowell, but it’s very good for Rich LaBombard,” said city manager Michael Burns. “I am very proud to say that he is going to become a city manager. He is very well deserving. Wish I could keep him a little bit longer, but I knew this day eventually would come.”

Prein & Newhof engineer Brian Vilmont gave the council an update on the S.

Broadway infrastructure project.

“Weather is not cooperating tremendously with us, it’s a little hard to dodge the rain events and get concrete poured,” Vilmont said. “All of the curbing is in now from the railroad tracks down to Ottawa. We’ve got the drive ramps at least on the west side poured. [...] The idea was to try to pave Wednesday, we had it on the calendar for [May 8], but that will all be weather dependent.”

Red Barn Consignments & Antiques, 217 W. Main, will be selling off approximately 75-100 pieces of the old Showboat that didn’t move at the Rotary’s auction on April 26. City councilor Marty Chambers is the owner of the store.

“We’ll sell it at our store

at no cost to us,” Chambers said. “We’ll give all proceeds and profits back to the city to put back towards the boat or whatever.”

The council returned to their discussion of the potential city income tax. The city attorney and city manager are currently working on what exactly the ballot will say on the Nov. 5 election.

“As directed by the council, the city attorney [Dick Wendt] and I are working on putting language together,” Burns said. “On June 3 we anticipate to present an ordinance to adopt providing for an income tax contingent on the charter amendment and approved separate ballot language for the income tax and contingent property tax charter amendments. We

would then, the next day, we would mail a certified resolution of the charter amendment language to the Michigan attorney general and governor for review. [...] By law they’re supposed to have something back to us 30 days after we submit it.”

The council’s next regular meeting will be at 7 pm on Monday, May 20. That meeting will include a public hearing about the 2020 city budget.

The council will also meet with the public at a “Coffee with the Council” event at Lowell Chamber of Commerce headquarters on the Riverwalk from 8 until 10 am on Saturday, June 1.

To watch various city council, board and commission meetings from the recent past, visit the “City of Lowell” channel on YouTube.



Prein & Newhof engineer Brian Vilmont said that S. Broadway will be paved Wednesday, unless it rains.



Councilor Marty Chambers owns Red Barn Consignments & Antiques, 217 W. Main, where they will be selling pieces of the old Showboat to pay for the new one.

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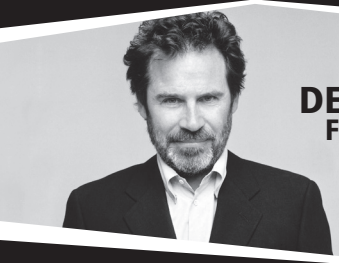
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Last day of school date changes after snow days

by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

Because of the unusually high number of snow days last winter, Lowell Area Schools students will have to attend classes well into the month of June. The last day of school was originally Friday, May 31.

“In spite of recent votes in the state legislature, we still have not had an official legislative decision to provide districts with additional forgiveness days during the time that Governor Whitmer called for a state of emergency in Michigan,” LAS superintendent Greg Pratt stated in a May 1 letter to parents. “In a previous communication, I asked parents and staff to hold the first week of June as potential days of instruction. As of today, without further legislative action, we will plan to attend school utilizing the following schedule: Tuesday, May 28th [through]

Friday, May 31st will be full days of school; Monday, June 3rd [through] Friday, June 7th will be full days of school; Monday, June 10th will be a half day for all students.”

A snow day forgiveness bill, HB 4206, was passed by the House last week. The bill would have forgiven the four snow days that occurred between Jan. 29 and Feb. 2 when the governor declared a state of emergency. When the bill moved to the Senate, it was changed by Republicans in that body to remove an amendment ensuring that non-teaching staff like bus drivers, janitors and lunchroom workers would also get paid for the snow days, and to remove language that would apply the exception to future states of emergency. In order to give the bill immediate effect, which is required for it to apply to the 2018-2019 school year, it would have

had to pass the House with a two-thirds “supermajority” vote, meaning that both Republicans and Democrats would have had to vote in favor of the bill.

“We’d like to at least give [non-teaching staff] an option to get paid,” Democratic Senate minority leader Jim Ananich of Flint said to the Associated Press. “In many districts they are, it’s under the contract. We wanted to put some clarity in place.”

“Evidently my partners on the other side of the aisle decided that [labor] unions were more important than kids,” Republican Senate majority leader Mike Shirkey of Clarklake said to the Associated Press.

According to state law, districts are currently allowed to cancel six days due to conditions beyond their control, including storms, fires, epidemics, power outages, water or



Lowell schools were often inaccessible last winter.

sewer failure and so forth. School districts 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. “If our legislators forgive additional days during the dates of the state of

emergency, we will adjust this schedule,” Pratt’s letter states. “If there is a change, we will notify everyone as soon as possible.”



More historic photos of 411 E. Main, currently the location of Canfield Plumbing & Heating, are on page 7. Photos courtesy Greg Canfield.

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Gas tax for roads update

by Tim McAllister
 lead reporter

On Friday, May 3, the Michigan Transportation Asset Management Council released a report that found “no appreciable improvement” is expected to the state’s roads and bridges during the next 12 years.

The report also said that 41 percent of Michigan’s paved roads are in poor condition, 38 percent are in fair condition and 21 percent are in good condition.

“Given the current rate of road deterioration and given the anticipated funding levels for road reservation and repair, the percentage of roads in poor condition will remain above 40 percent for the foreseeable future,” the report stated.

On Tuesday, March 5, governor Gretchen Whitmer

March. “Our infrastructure is at a \$2.5 billion price tag now because our leaders have not been honest with us and have not forged real solutions. [...] The fact of the matter is that the price tag is \$2.5 billion and we have to get to work now to keep families safe, to save money so that you are not spending it to repair your car [and] to make Michigan competitive. And this is something that is getting worse by the day when we don’t fix it right.”

According to the Associated Press, about 50 percent of the new tax money would go to fixing interstates and freeways, 30 percent would go toward the most heavily traveled non-freeways, 16 percent would go to local and rural

also leave Michiganders paying the highest fuel taxes in the US.

Whitmer’s plan calls for a \$0.15 tax increase on regular and diesel fuel on Oct. 1, another \$0.15 on April 1, 2020, and a final \$0.15 on Oct. 1, 2020. Whitmer’s budget also included a 20 percent increase in vehicle registration fees. To somewhat soften the blow for working families, Whitmer’s budget proposed doubling the Earned Income Tax Credit for low and middle-income workers.

Our last gas tax increase was \$0.073 per gallon on regular and \$0.113 per gallon on diesel, which will add approximately \$400 million to the Michigan Transportation Fund this year, a primary source of



Gov. Gretchen Whitmer’s 2020 budget proposal includes a hefty increase in the gasoline tax to “fix the damn roads.”

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presented her \$60.2 billion budget to the legislature. The part of the budget proposal that gained the most attention was the \$0.45 per gallon increase in the gasoline tax to “fix the damn roads.” It has created a lot of debate and conversation, but Republicans in the legislature have yet to present their ideas to fix our crumbling roads.

“It’s not easy. I know that it is going to be hard for some people to pay,” Whitmer said back in

roads and seven percent would go toward “bridges and transit.”

“Without a new funding revenue package that the governor has proposed, we are looking at about 50 percent good and fair condition roads and bridges [by] the year 2030,” said Kari Martin, university region planner with MDOT, in an interview with Fox News.

The tax increase would raise over \$2 billion a year for road repairs, but it would

state and local road repair funds.

So far this year, the state has appropriated \$357 million from surplus general funds to spend on road repairs.

Overall, Gov. Whitmer’s \$60.2 billion state budget is only 3.6 percent higher than Gov. Snyder’s last budget. According to the American Road & Transportation Builders Association, there are currently proposals in 22 states that would increase motor fuel taxes.

viewpoint



125 years ago Lowell Ledger May 12, 1894

Yesterday morning while working on the roof of a veranda he was building on the house of E.B. Hunter, Harvey Horton, of Grand Rapids, who has been visiting Mr. Hunter, fell and struck his head on some stones, inflicting severe injuries. At this writing he is suffering greatly.

William E. Massey collided with a street car while riding a bicycle at Bay City and was killed. The car passed over his hips, crushing him to a jelly. He was removed to his home, where he died in a few minutes. Massey was riding fast on a street crossing the railroad track, and a house hid the rapidly approaching car. Massey was about 35 years old and leaves a widow, who is very low with consumption, and three children.

Ed Webber has sold the Banner laundry to Lewis Kitchen, formerly of Mayville, Mich., and the latter has taken possession. We take pleasure in recommending Mr. Kitchen to the public as a man of industry and good habits. He is well worthy the patronage of the people. Mr. Webber will remain for several weeks, while making his plans for the future and Mrs. Webber goes to Northville to visit relatives. They are good people and will be accompanied to their new home by the best wishes of the community.

100 years The Lowell Ledger May 8, 1919

Attorney General Palmer makes it clear that after July 1 the country will be so dry that cracks will appear along the surface of the earth. Michigan having only an academic interest in the matter, as it put the saloons out of business more than a year ago and confirmed the verdict by an adverse majority of more than 200,000 this spring, can view the proceedings with a complacency which does not as yet obtain in the alcoholic east or in wettest Chicago.

The Botany class is still testing seed corn. Some excellent corn has been brought in for testing. The Agricultural department is anxiously awaiting the arrival of the State Supervisor of Agricultural Education to inspect the laboratory and equipment and render his report which, if favorable, will bring several hundred dollars of state and Federal money into our school treasury.

75 years The Lowell Ledger May 11, 1944

The main point of interest in Lowell for the past ten

days has been the construction of the walls of King mill, which had reached a height of four stories by Tuesday morning, and it is expected that this phase of the work will be completed some time this week. The walls are made of concrete reinforced with steel. When the mill is completed, Lowell will boast of having a real sky scraper.

Don't throw away or burn a single scrap of waste paper, as there will be another collection in the near future. In the meantime, citizens who wish to dispose of their scrap before the next pick-up, may take same to the municipal garage where it will be baled. Waste paper has become a vital war necessity. We on the home front must back up the boys on the war front. Jobs right here in Lowell will be affected if we neglect to save scrap.

Did you ever stop to think of the new families that have moved into the Lowell trading area within the last year or two? Reports from everywhere show that there is an unusually large shift in population going on about the country, and Lowell has also been affected by the shift. The 200 or more new names that have been added to the Ledger subscription list within the past six or eight months bear this out. The time has gone by, when a merchant could say, "Everybody knows me."

50 years The Lowell Ledger May 8, 1969

Representatives of the "Citizens for Education" were scheduled to receive special awards Wednesday night (May 7) from Region Nine of the Michigan Education Association. The award is made annually to programs, activities, projects and other efforts that foster improvement of education on the local level.

A certificate and pin, honoring 20 years of service for the Grand Rapids Weather Bureau, were presented to Edward J. Boyd recently. Boyd, during his years of service, has kept an eye on flood possibilities in the Lowell area by measuring the river's ups and downs, and has regularly taken snow and rain fall measurements.

Former Justice of the Peace Howard Rittenger has been commended for clearing up much of his court's docket prior to opening of the new district court on January 1. This was the message given to Lowell's city council Monday night in a letter from assistant city attorney Peter Tolley.

25 years The Lowell Ledger May 11, 1994

Following Connie Kelly's solo on the bassoon at the state Solo and Ensemble Festival, the judge was so moved by her performance that she gave Kelly a standing ovation. That is rare, but so was the judge's score of 99 out of a possible 100 on Kelly's performance.

Rain was not going to delay the planting of nine trees Saturday at the estate of John Fallas. "The only difference between this Saturday and the prior Saturday was about 10 degrees," said Fallasburg Historical Society vice president Dave Thompson.

From the steps of a one-room schoolhouse that Senate Majority Leader Dick Posthumus said was symbolic of the birthplace of a quality education in Michigan to the symbolic time when providing children with education is the number one priority of teachers, parents, legislators and taxpayers, the 12-year legislator announced Monday he will seek re-election to the state Senate.



Financial Focus

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Should You Borrow from Your 401(k)?

If you work for a business that offers a 401(k) plan, consider yourself fortunate, because a 401(k), with its tax advantages and variety of investment options, is a great way to save for retirement. But what if you need to tap in to your plan before you retire? Is it a good idea to borrow from your 401(k)?

To begin with, you need to determine if a loan is even available. You can only borrow from your 401(k) if you're still working for the company that offers the plan, but even so, you'll have to check with your human resources area to determine if loans are allowed. If they are, you'll want to weigh the pros and cons before taking action.

On the "pro" side, it's pretty easy to get a 401(k) loan - there's no formal loan application and no minimum credit score

required. Plus, you're only borrowing from yourself, and you can generally repay the loan with automatic paycheck deductions, typically over a five-year period.

However, you'll also encounter some "cons" when taking out a 401(k) loan, particularly concerning taxes. If you had not borrowed from your 401(k), the money you took out could have been growing on a tax-deferred basis, assuming you used pre-tax dollars to fund your plan, and your withdrawals will only be taxed once. But when you borrow from your plan, you will have to repay it, along with interest, with money you've earned - and been taxed on - and then, when you withdraw it later, you'll pay taxes on it again.

Furthermore, if you leave your employer before fully repaying your loan,

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The Lowell Ledger welcomes letters to the editor from readers, but there are a few conditions that must be met before they will be published.

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- Letters serving the function of "cards of thanks" will not be accepted unless there is a compelling public interest, which will be determined by the editor.

- Letters that include attacks of a personal nature will not be published or will be edited heavily.

- "Crossfire" letters between the same two people on one issue will be limited to one for each writer.

- In an effort to keep opinions varied, there is a limit of one letter per person per month.

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business matters



Greenridge Realty announced that Dave Van Keulen received Realtor of the Month in April.

This award recognizes Van Keulen for his outstanding success and achievements.



Staff Member of the Month

Janet Fabis is the Staff Member of the Month at Murray Lake Elementary. Fabis works as a reading interventionist. She is nominated for her hard work and dedication to students, helping improve their reading skills and her willingness to help those around her.

is so deserving of this recognition."

"I am often asked if I like my job and unfailingly my answer is, 'Yes! I love my job!' Reading has always been my passion, and I'm lucky to be able to share that with the students at MLE. Collaboration with Murray Lake's devoted teachers



Janet Fabis was named Staff Member of the Month at Murray Lake Elementary.

Sue Wernet said, "She goes out of her way to help everyone. She spends many of her lunch hours preparing extra reading materials so her students will have fun while improving their reading."

Kyndera Lee commented, "Janet is organized, efficient and works hard. She

and principal, as well as the reading team, makes coming to school each day a pleasure. But by far, the daily student interactions are the most gratifying. The gains that my students make power me through the year, and time flies by! I hope to continue for years to come," said Fabis.

- Lyme disease

Lyme disease is an illness that is transmitted by deer ticks. If you have Lyme disease you may experience flu-like symptoms, fever, joint pain, fatigue and heart problems.

After attaching to a host, the deer tick transmits the bacterium, Borrelia burgdorferi, to the host during a blood meal. A tick would have to be attached for at least 36 hours to transmit the organism into an individual.

Symptoms of Lyme disease generally take weeks to develop after infection. The most important symptom appearing in 80 percent of people with Lyme disease is the characteristic rash at the site of the bite. The rash appears within a month of being bitten. It is red or salmon colored and may have a lighter center appearing like a bulls' eye. Other symptoms include fever, fatigue, muscle aches and pain, headaches, stiff neck, swelling at the joints, slow heart rate, weakness and numbness. It should be noted that most of these symptoms are nonspecific and appear in a multitude of different conditions.

Lyme disease is diagnosed by taking a careful history, performing an exam and testing the blood. The Lyme test will not become positive until several days after you have

become infected. If you have the typical rash a Lyme blood test is not needed to make the diagnosis.

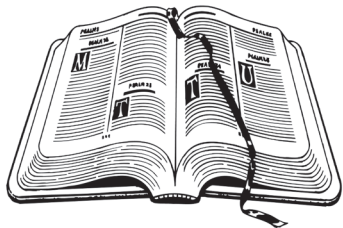
Lyme disease is treated with an antibiotic. Your doctor may prescribe an antibiotic to take right away after a tick bite in certain high risk situations, or they may wait to see if a rash or symptoms appear prior to initiating antibiotic therapy.

You can avoid tick bites by wearing long pants and long sleeve shirts when you are outside. Use bug spray and check your body for ticks after being outdoors. Remember, removing a tick within 36 hours of attachment will prevent the transmission of Lyme disease.

To remove a tick, use a fine pair of tweezers to grasp the tick as close to the skin surface as possible, pull backwards gently with firm steady pressure. Do not squeeze or puncture the body of the tick. After removal wash the area with soap and water. If any mouth parts remain in the skin leave it alone to be extruded naturally. Attempting further removal may simply cause more skin damage.

Deer ticks are about the size of a poppy seed. Lyme disease has been reported in Michigan but it is more common in the northeast, mid-Atlantic region, Minnesota and Wisconsin.

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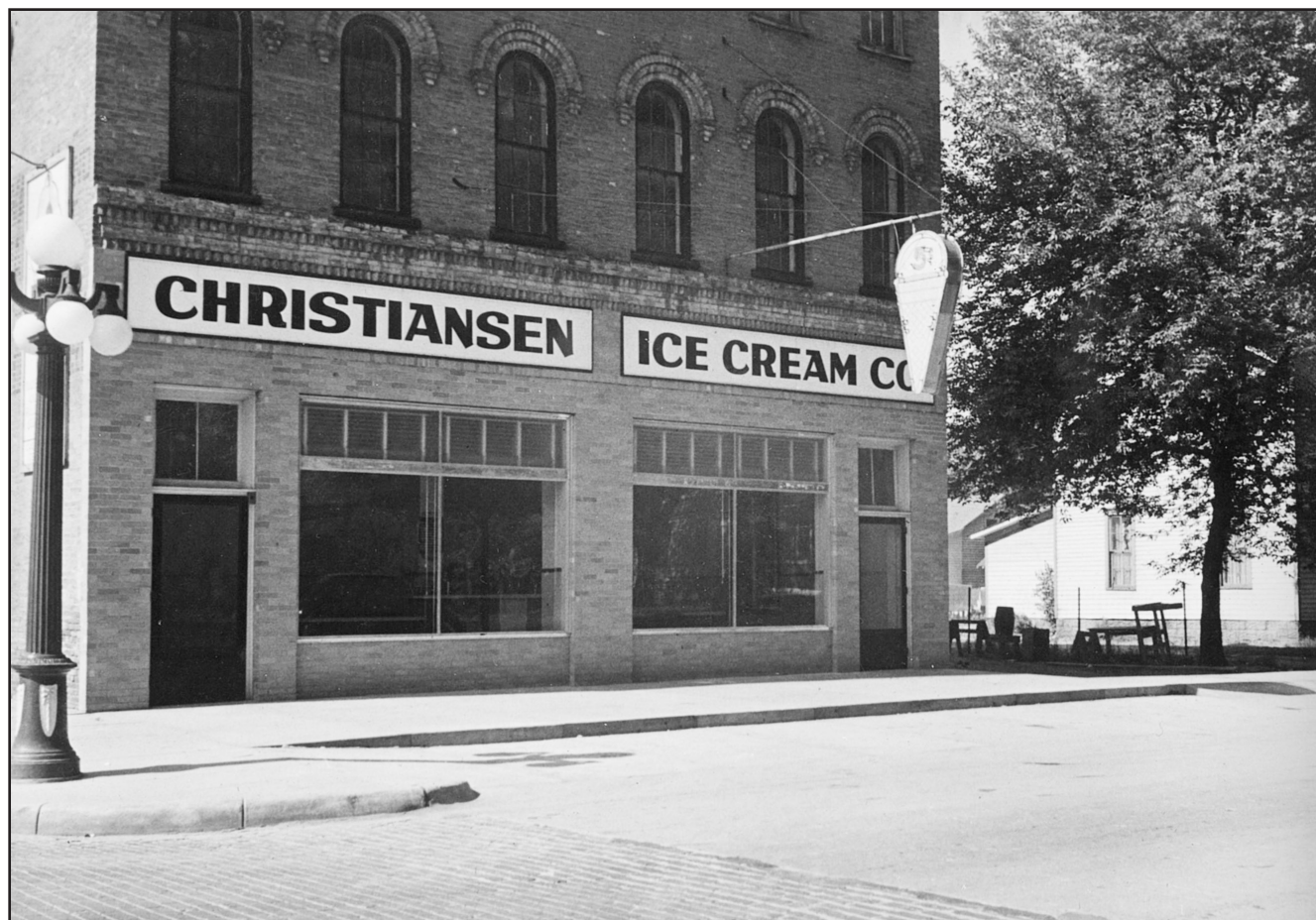
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Canfield, continued



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were far stronger than my business skills. As I tried to learn the do's and don'ts of 'Management 101' for business owners, at least the bank didn't repossess our house."

In their early days in business, it was difficult for Canfield to find qualified workers because, until very recently, the educational system in the US was pushing nearly every student

into college and discouraging them from seeking trade work. Nowadays, with "STEM" instruction becoming the most popular educational philosophy, more and more students are

being encouraged to seek work in the trades.

"One of the biggest challenges we faced from the first day was attracting qualified help," Canfield said. "When you're a brand new company that no one has ever heard of, no one chooses to work with you over an established company with a proven track record. Then we had school counselors telling everyone they needed to go to college to find a career, instead of pursuing the trades. So today, there is such a shortage of experienced technicians that the best bet for companies like ours is to find a young person with mechanical aptitude and train them. The trades can provide an excellent living without putting student loans on your

back for years, and I believe that, finally, the pendulum is swinging back to where there is interest from young people trying to pick a career."

Canfield Plumbing & Heating started out in new construction, but over the years the business has expanded into repairs and even electrical work.

"Initially, we only did new construction because we had no customer base, we were brand new," Canfield said. "Over time we transitioned to service and repair instead of new construction. So, although we have done larger projects like new buildings at Schneider Manor, now we prefer to provide repair services and equipment replacement, as it is steadier,

his friends and neighbors through some of the nastiest incidents of their lives without completely draining their bank accounts.

"What we really enjoy about what we do is that we help people solve their problems," Canfield said. "We all tend to take things for granted when they're good, and then when they are not, we realize how critical things like heat, running water and toilets that flush really are. In our line of work, we are blessed in that we get paid to help people and get them back to their happy place. Our profession is challenging, trying to patch old stuff up while not breaking the budget



better work. And, recently, we were lucky enough to hire a master electrician, so that we now can provide electrical repairs and upgrades for our customers. Also, we are now installing whole house generators for those customers that are not lucky enough to be Lowell Light & Power customers with extremely reliable power."

Canfield said that he enjoys the problem-solving aspect of his work, plus the opportunity to help

for our customers. Nobody is perfect all the time, but over 25 years we have built a great team who win most of the time, and that is very rewarding. We are very fortunate to hear how great our guys are from customers on a regular basis."

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Today is the 128th day of 2019 and the 50th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1877, the first Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show was held in New York City. In 1902, Mount Pelee erupted on the island of Martinique, destroying the city of Saint-Pierre and killing an estimated 30,000 people.

In 1945, Victory in Europe Day (or VE Day) was celebrated as the Allies accepted Nazi Germany's unconditional surrender, ending World War II in Europe.

In 1973, a 10-week standoff in Wounded Knee, South Dakota, between federal authorities and American Indian Movement activists ended.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Harry S. Truman (1884-1972), 33rd US president; Robert Johnson (1911-1938), Delta blues legend; David Attenborough (1926-), TV personality/environmentalist; Don Rickles (1926-2017), comedian/actor; Gary Snyder (1930-), Beat Generation poet; Thomas Pynchon (1937-), author; Ricky Nelson (1940-1985), singer/songwriter; Toni Tennille (1940-), singer/songwriter; Keith Jarrett (1945-), jazz musician; Alex Van Halen (1953-), hard rock drummer; Lovie Smith (1958-), football coach; Michel Gondry (1963-), film/video director; Melissa Gilbert (1964-), actress; Enrique Iglesias (1975-), singer/songwriter; Daniel "6ix9ine" Hernandez (1996-), rapper.

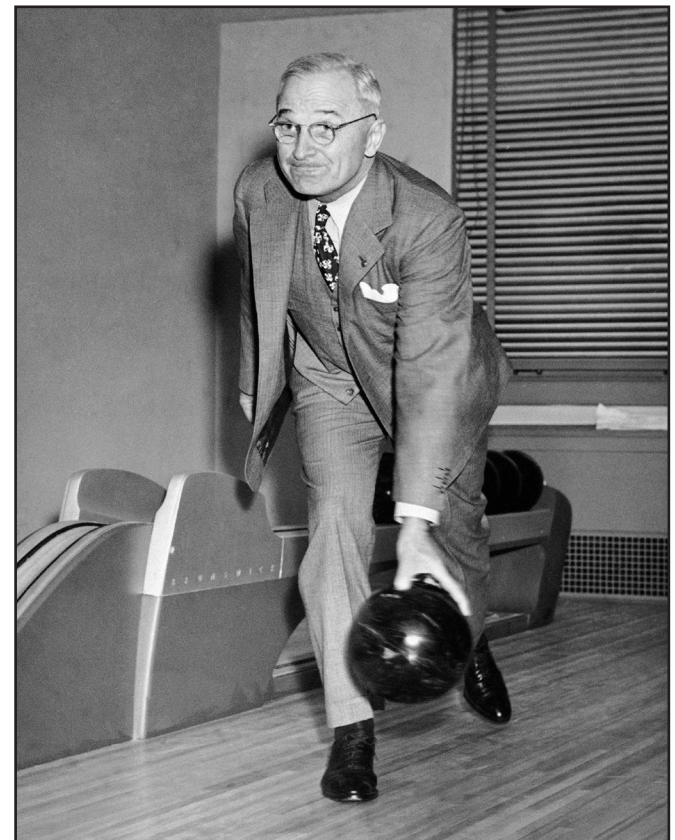
TODAY'S FACT: Pharmacist John Pemberton sold the first Coca-Cola soft drink on this day in 1886.

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1978, Reinhold Messner and Peter Habeler became the first climbers to ascend Mount Everest without supplemental oxygen.

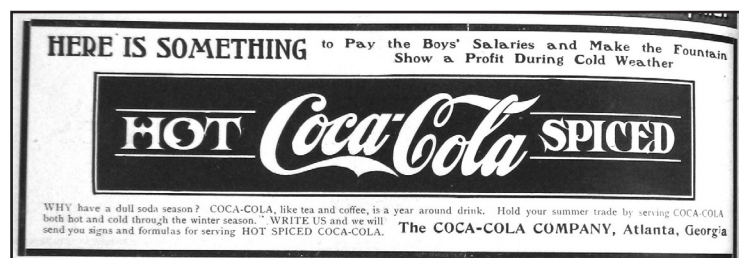
TODAY'S QUOTE: "The general public has long been divided into two parts; those who think that science can do anything and those who are afraid it will." -- Thomas Pynchon, 'Mason and Dixon'

TODAY'S NUMBER: 418,500 -- total U.S. military and civilian deaths in World War II, according to the National WWII Museum.

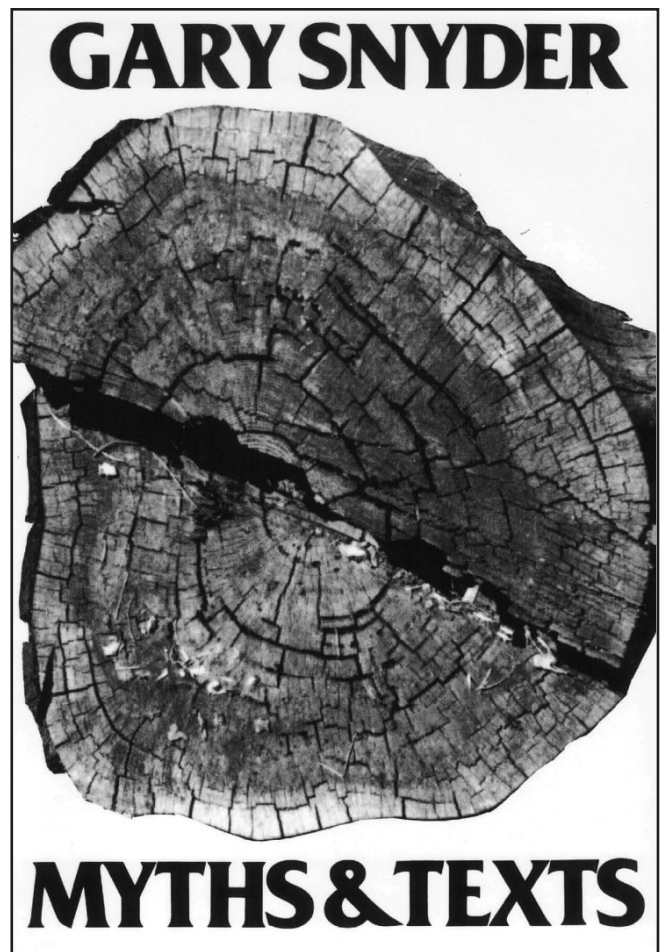
TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (May 4) and first quarter moon (May 11).



President Harry Truman (above) was an avid bowler who installed a bowling alley in the west wing of the White House.



One of only two photographs that exist of blues legend Robert Johnson. He was poisoned to death by a romantic rival and died on August 16, 1938. According to legend, Johnson went to the intersection of Highway 61 and Highway 49 one night at midnight, where the Devil taught him how to play the guitar.



Beat Generation poet Gary Snyder has been writing about nature and the environment since the 1950s. He has won a Pulitzer Prize, an American Book Award and was the inspiration for a character in Jack Kerouac's novel "The Dharma Bums."



Ricky Nelson, his girlfriend, his road manager and his entire band were killed in an airplane crash on their way to a concert in Texas on Dec. 31, 1985.

Social Security announces top 10 baby names

Each May, Social Security releases the top 10 baby names of the previous year. We are the leading source for America's popular names because almost every newborn gets a Social Security number at birth.

In a way, your name is your first "personal" information — a piece of identification that you have for the rest of your life. Having a Social Security number provides the foundation for vital benefits to that child if they need them in the future and when they retire. Saving early is key to having enough money

to live on in retirement.

Because we're living longer, healthier lives, we can expect to spend more time in retirement than our parents and grandparents did. Achieving the dream of a secure, comfortable retirement is much easier when you plan your finances.

The three major elements of your retirement portfolio are pensions, savings and investments, and Social Security benefits. We can help you plan for retirement with our online resources at <https://www.socialsecurity.gov/planners/retire>.

Your benefits are based on your entire earnings history. We calculate your monthly benefit amount based on your highest 35 years of earnings. To learn more about benefit calculations and other important retirement information, check out our Retirement Checklist at <https://www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/EN-05-10377.pdf>. This publication is easy to download, save, and share.

As you can see, a name and Social Security number provide an important first connection to potential future benefits. Are you

curious where your own name appears in the baby names line-up? You can look up the top names throughout history at <https://www.socialsecurity.gov/oact/babynames>.

The top names will be announced at some point in May so stay tuned.

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Red Arrow

- FOOTBALL

SPORTS

Lowell names Red Arrow varsity football coach

Jacob Henige has been named the Varsity Head Coach of the Lowell Red Arrow Football Team. Coach Henige has been a member of the Red Arrow football coaching staff since 2009 and served as Associate Head Football Coach under Hall of Fame

Coach Noel Dean for the 2016 and 2017 seasons when the team continued its run of playoff qualifying and had a combined record of 18-5. Coach Henige returned to his alma mater, Grand Valley State University, during the 2018 season to

explore collegiate football coaching and found that his heart belonged in Lowell, coaching at Red Arrow Stadium.

“Coach Henige was a member of the coaching staff for many years and served in a variety of roles learning the aspects of coaching high school football for the Lowell Red Arrows. He understands that coaching football at Lowell is not the same as coaching football at most other schools – the expectations, the traditions and the community all make Lowell Football special.” says Athletic Director, Dee Crowley. “

Superintendent Greg Pratt commented, “Coach Henige, who has coached and taught in Lowell for the past several years, is a dedicated individual who won’t be out-worked. Knowing that our program is in good hands, I look forward to seeing Coach Henige work with our student-athletes in the fall.”

Coach Henige was a four-year letter winner at Grand Valley State University and was a member of three NCAA Division II National Championship teams in 2003, 2005, and 2006. He was a two-time All-GLIAC selection as an offensive

lineman in 2006 and 2007. Coach Henige began his coaching career with the Red Arrows in 2009 as a varsity offensive line coach. A teaching position led him to Arizona for a few years before returning to Lowell in 2012 and his current position as middle school physical education teacher. Coach Henige served in numerous coaching capacities with Lowell Football, included JV Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator, Varsity Assistant Football Coach before assuming Associate Varsity Head Coach responsibilities with Coach Noel Dean. Coach Henige also serves as an Assistant

Varsity and Middle School Track Coach and is pursuing his Master’s Degree in Educational Leadership at GVSU.

“Lowell is a special community, filled with outstanding people that care deeply about the success of all students. As a football program, we are going to be relentless in our daily pursuit of upholding the high standards and expectations.” said Coach Henige.

Coach Henige and his wife teach and live with their four young children in the Lowell community.



Jacob Henige, new LHS varsity head football coach.

Lowell soccer beats Northview and Ottawa Hills in action last week

by Justin Scott
contributing reporter

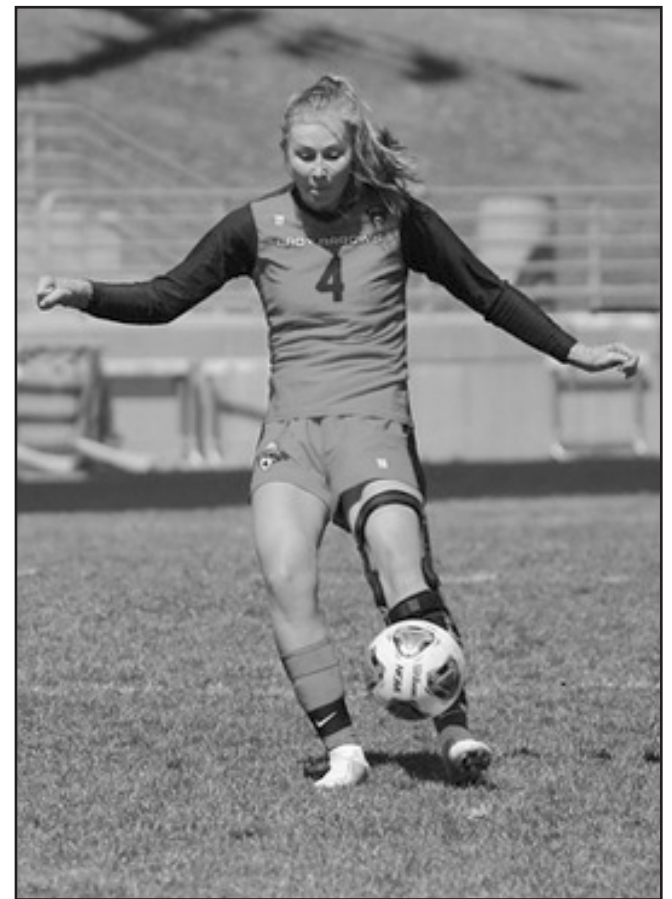
The cold and rain didn’t bother the Red Arrows much as they dominated Northview and Ottawa Hills in OK White competition at home.

Monday, the ladies beat Ottawa Hills 12-0. The game was called by mercy rule at halftime. Amber Clouse led the way in scoring with a hat trick. Taylor Rank, Khloe Hayes, and Regan Coxon all netted two goals each. Hailey Halfmann also added a goal for LHS. Assists were recorded by Hayes (3), Anneke Breuker (2), Clouse (2), Coxon (2), and Anna Gaskin (2). Callie

Ingram kept a clean sheet stopping the only shot on goal she faced.

Lowell followed that win up with one against Northview on Wednesday. The Lady Arrows led the shots on goal category by a score of 20-14, corner kicks 8-3, and most importantly in goals 6-1. Scoring goals were Hayes (3), Coxon (2), and Isabel Remar. Hannah VanDeWeert recorded 10 saves in the win.

The two victories give Lowell a boost coming into games this week against Reeths-Puffer, Forest Hills Northern, and Cedar Springs.



Anneke Breuker passing the ball forward for Lowell varsity girls soccer.

VERGENNES TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the Vergennes Township Zoning Board of Appeals on May 23, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Vergennes Township Hall located at 10381 Bailey Dr. (Lowell) at the corner of Parnell to hear the following business:

A variance application has been received from Andrew Porter to construct a detached garage closer to the house and street than the ordinance allows at 3435 Causeway Dr, Lowell. The variance is from the L-R Lake Residential district, section 201.3075 (E).

The complete variance application can be reviewed at the Vergennes Township Hall from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays and from 9 a.m. to noon on Thursdays or on the website at www.vergennestwp.org. Public comment will be heard at the meeting for the variance request. Written comments received by mail, email, in person or in the drop box on the side of the driveway parking area will also be considered if received at the Township office prior to 6:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. Comments may be emailed to: zoning@vergennestwp.org

To view the application on the website, click on “Planning and Zoning”, then “Zoning Board of Appeals”, then “Pending Applications”.

BSA TROOP #102 ANNUAL CHICKEN DINNER

Sunday, May 19, 2019
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Red Arrow Spring

SPORTS SCHEDULES

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SPORTS

Crew team competes in the Border Battle Regatta

It was beautiful day to hold the first Border Battle Regatta/Hawk Sprints between the Lowell High School crew team and the Forest Hills Eastern crew team at Forest Hills Public School's boathouse in Ada.

Lowell and FHE had some close head-to-head racing, with medals won on both sides. The team brought home five first place medals. For the first time this season Lowell was able to race some mixed boats, one of which was a mixed four boat of five seniors. Great promise was seen from the team's freshman as they brought home two first-place medals.

Taking home medals were: Sydney Riffle

and Evangeline Hoke in the girls double; Jack McCarthy(coxswain), Nick Momany, Wyatt Ebmeyer, Brecken Pawloski, and Branch Neitling in the boys novice four boat; Jacob Beke and Mitch McMillian in the boys double; Evelyn Fleszar (coxswain), Branch Neitling, Wyatt Ebmeyer, Brett Johnson and Nick Momany in the boys lightweight four boat; Sydney Riffle (coxswain), Evangeline Hoke, Jacob Beke, Mason Simmet, Olivia Kamradt in the mixed four boat.

The team's last competition of the season will be at Riverside Park in Grand Rapids on May 18.



Sydney Riffle (coxswain), Abby McMillian, Evelyn Fleszar, Brett Johnson, Jack McCarthy, Branch Neitling, Olivia Kamradt, Adrienne Johnson and Evangeline Hoke. (photo by Logan Riffle)

Girls edge FHC, come up short again FHN and take the Hopkins Invite

The girls track team continued their march through the OK White as they competed against Forest Hills Northern and Forest Hills Central last Tuesday. After a long day in the cold and rain, the Arrows were on the winning side against FHC, but came up nine points short of FHN.

The ladies took advantage of strong field events to get off to a quick start and continued to gain points in the sprints and hurdles. Lowell is now tied for second with Greenville in the conference. The two teams faced off Tuesday evening. Final scores were

Lowell 71, FHC 66; FHN 73, Lowell 64.

Earning first place in the dual were: Diana Roth in the 100m with a time of 13.26; Kaylee Diamond in the high jump at 5-04 and in the long jump with 15-05; Kyleigh Rau in the discus with 77-03; Ashley Boehr in the 300m hurdles with a time of 52.30; 800m relay team of Snyder, Brown, Turri and Roth with a time of 1:51.20 and the 400m relay team of Tuuri, Brown, Kaywood and Roth with a time of 52.57.

The ladies took advantage of seven first-place finishes, five second-place finishes and scored

in almost every event to take the win at the Hopkins Invite last Saturday. The meet also allowed the Arrows to mix up some of the relay lineups to see where additional pieces may fit into the puzzle going into championship week. It was a complete team effort as the Arrows had top-three finishes in all disciplines, but the relays were the bright spot, as they were all solid.

Final team scores were: Lowell, 170; Allendale 133; Hopkins, 106; Wayland Union, 82; GR Track Club/GR Fire; GR West Michigan Aviation, 35; Sparta, 33; The Potter's House, 22;

Ottawa Hills, 17; Martin, 12 and Wyoming Lee, 1.

Taking first-place honors were: Diana Roth in the 100m with a time of 12.76 and the 200m with a time of 26.52; Kaylee Diamond in the long jump with a jump of 15-07.00 and in the high jump with 5-0; Theresa Judd in the 100 hurdles with a time of 16.20; the 800m relay team of Snyder, Brown, Tuuri and Kaywood with a time of 1:50.35 and the 400m relay team of Kaywood, Brown, Tuuri and Roth with a time of 52.07.

The Arrows completed Tuesday in their final OK White double dual.

Boys split against FHN and FHC, place fourth at Hopkins Invite

The boys track team battled three opponents as they overcame rain, wind and cold temperatures to split a double dual against Forest Hills Central and Forest Hills Northern last Tuesday.

Both meets were extremely close as they were decided by less than five points in every event. The Arrows took advantage

of a strong distance crew as well as the long sprints and hurdles to get the job done. Final scores were Lowell 65, FHC 68 and Lowell 70, FHN 65. The boys are now ranked third in the OK White regular season standings going into the final dual, which was held Tuesday.

Taking firsts overall in the double dual were:

Devin Dietz in the 400m with a time of 52.32 and in the 200m with a time of 24.12; Josh Rau in the 110HH with a time of 16.34 and Landon Grant in the high jump with 5'6".

At the Hopkins Invitational the boys placed fourth in a field of ten teams. The team scored points in 14 of the 17 events. The final scores were: Wayland

Union, 142; Allendale, 140; Sparta 93.5; Lowell, 86.5; Hopkins, 60; GR West Michigan Aviation, 42; The Potter's House, 23; Martin, 22 and Ottawa Hills, 15.

The team competed in their final OK white double dual at home on Tuesday.

SPRING SPORTS CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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BOYS & GIRLS VARSITY TRACK
** Denotes a meet at Red Arrow Stadium*
5/17 time TBA Regionals

GIRLS VARSITY LACROSSE
** Denotes a home game at Red Arrow Stadium*
5/15 at 5 pm West Ottawa*
5/16 Regionals

BOYS VARSITY LACROSSE
** Denotes a home game at Red Arrow Stadium*
5/9 at 5:30 pm at South Christian
5/15 at 7:15 pm Jenison*
5/16 Regionals

GIRLS VARSITY TENNIS
** Denotes a game at LHS tennis courts*
5/9 at 4 pm Wyoming*
5/11 Time TBA OK Conference
5/16 Regionals

GIRLS VARSITY SOCCER
** Denotes a home game at Red Arrow Stadium*
5/10 at 6:45 pm at Cedar Springs
5/13 at 6:45 pm Greenville*
5/15 at 7 pm at Forest Hills Central


BOYS VARSITY GOLF
** Denotes a meet at Deer Run Golf Course*
5/9 at 3:45 pm Thornapple Kellogg at Yankee Springs
5/13 at 3:30 pm Jamboree #7 at Indian Trails

GIRLS VARSITY SOFTBALL
** Denotes a game at Cherry Creek Field*
5/10 at 4:15 pm Bryon Center* (doubleheader)
5/11 at 10 am Varsity Quad*
5/13 at 4:15 pm Ottawa Hills*

BOYS VARSITY BASEBALL
** Denotes a game at Cherry Creek Field*
5/13 at 4:15 pm Ottawa Hills*
5/14 at 3:45 pm at Calvin Christian
5/15 at 4:15 pm at Ottawa Hills

obituaries

DOWLING



Dowling, Rex Lee
Rex has left the banks of the Thornapple River, the shores of the Grand River, the waves of Lake Michigan and the solitude of Beaver Island for an even better place. Rex passed away Friday, May 3, 2019 from lymphoma after a valiant one year fight, part of the time in remission. Rex was born September 23, 1941 to Wayne Dowling SR and Helen (Gowlaski) Dowling. His early years were spent in Lowell. In the early 1950's his mother, Helen married Carl Kerekes and the family moved to Cascade where Rex attended Cascade school until it was back to Lowell High School where he graduated with the class of 1959. Rex served 3 active years with the U.S. Navy after which he held jobs in the automotive industry ending with Kelvinator and GM as a journeyman hi-lo repairman. After retirement he helped his son start Beaverwood Tree Service. Rex was pre deceased by his mother, father, step father, brother Wayne and wife Marian Dowling, many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. Rex is survived by his wife of 54 years, Connie (Clemenz) Dowling; sons, Doug (Elaine), Greg Dowling and grandsons Dawson Victor and Preston Edward; step-grandchildren Jamie (Justin) Cooley and Jenny (Al) Williams; five step-great grandchildren; sisters, Gwen Zanella and Carla Kerekes Martin (Ron); half brothers, Dennis (Mae Dines) and David Dowling; sister in law Carol Clemenz Stull (Rick); many nieces, nephews and cousins. Rex so enjoyed his family and loved showing the young ones his unique way of doing most everything. His favorite place was outdoors, that was where he felt closest to God along with hunting, fishing, and gardening, growing some of the biggest, flawless tomatoes that he shared with so many. He felt very blessed to have his property on Beaver Island and his family made the most of their time there. He craved Connie's cooking and was not shy about "ordering" exactly what he wanted and when. Rex touched so many with his humor, knowledge, work ethic, and with so much interest in their lives. We will sure miss this character who left us with so many unique and unforgettable memories. Visitation was held Monday at the Roth-Gerst Chapel. Private graveside services will be held with his cousin Pastor Ron Hansen, officiating at Oakwood Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Beaver Island Health Care Center, 37304 King's Hwy, Beaver Island, MI 49782. LOGO #377



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EVANS

Leila Evans, 100, of Lake Odessa went to be with her Lord on April 27, 2019 at her daughter's home in Elfrida, AZ. Leila was born in Weta, SD to Lloyd and Mary (Alexander) Dennie on May 20, 1918. She graduated from Lowell High School in 1936 and then married Clifford Evans in 1938. Together they raised four children. Leila loved farm life, especially cooking and baking for her family and friends. Her cookie jar was never empty. She took great pride in her chickens, collecting eggs and selling them locally at grocery stores and the egg co-op in Lake Odessa. Over the years Leila cared for many foster children, including babies in transition for adoption. In later years as she and Clifford downsized, flower gardening, birdwatching, playing games and especially her grandchildren became her greater passion. Leila had a place in her heart for cats. Her love for cats was only surpassed by her love for people. Leila was a long-time member of Clarksville Bible Church. She will be dearly missed by her children, Sidney (Sharon) Evans, Gloria (Edward) Kenny, Rodney (Elaine) Evans and Jacqueline (Jeffrey) Schaa; 13 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren, two great-great grandchildren, brother, Rev. Donald (Gloria) Dennie; sister-in-law, Marie Dennie; along with many nieces and nephews. Preceding her in death are her parents, husband of 63 years Clifford, infant son, Roger; siblings, Howard (Pearl) Dennie, Richard (Ruth) Dennie and Grace (Rev. Harold) Green. Visitation is planned on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 from 5 pm until 8 pm, at Koops Funeral Chapel in Lake Odessa. Funeral services will be held Thursday, May 9 at 11 am at Clarksville Bible Church in Clarksville. Burial will take place at Clarksville Cemetery next to Clifford. Memorials can be made to Ethnos 360 Aviation-Missionary Flight Sponsorship, 3870 W. Volunteer St., McNeal, AZ 85617 or Clarksville Bible Church for the Future Facilities Fund. Online condolences can be left at www.koopsfc.com.




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Financial Focus, continued

the outstanding balance likely will be taxable, although you may have a grace period in which to pay it off and avoid taxes. And perhaps even more important, taking money from your 401(k), even if you repay it later, will almost certainly slow the growth potential of your account – which, in plain terms, means you may have less money available for retirement. Of course, if you encounter an emergency, and you have nowhere else to turn, you may need to borrow from your 401(k). And some plans allow hardship withdrawals for medical expenses and other needs, although you'll still be taxed on the amount you withdraw. But you'd probably be better off if you can prepare, well in advance, for situations in which

you need immediate access to a sizable sum. One way of doing this is to build an emergency fund containing six months' to a year's worth of living expenses, with the money kept in a liquid, low-risk account. You also might find some resources in the part of your investment portfolio held outside your 401(k). For example, you can always withdraw contributions to a Roth IRA without incurring taxes (although the earnings on these contributions could be taxable if you take the money out before you're 59½ and you've had your account less than five years). In any case, you work hard to build your 401(k) – so, no matter where you are in life, think carefully about how you will use the money. *This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.*

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 19-205194-DE

Estate of **GEORGE THOMAS ERHARDT**, deceased. Date of birth: **08/11/1931**.

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, **George Thomas Erhardt**, died **01/04/2019**

the estate will be forever barred unless presented to **Julie A. Erhardt**, personal representative, or to both the probate court at **820 N Pollard St., Unit 710, Arlington, VA 22203** and the personal representative within **4 months** after the date of publication of this notice.

April 30, 2019

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ATTN: LOWELL CLASS OF 1969 - 50-year class reunion on June 22 at King Building, 224 S. Broadway (old field house). Please email Mary Miller Strauss at marystraus15@yahoo.com for more information. Please pass this info onto any classmates.

Community Calendar

May

AND ONGOING EVENTS

PLEASE NOTE - Coming Events are for non-profit organizations. If you are charging admission for an event - it is considered an advertisement. Coming events are on a space available basis & **ARE NOT GUARANTEED**. If you would like to make sure your event is placed in the paper, please call our office & place it as a classified ad. We will not accept ANY Garage or sales (including fundraisers) as a coming event. All Coming Events or changes to coming events should be submitted by fax: 897-4809, email: classifieds@lowellbuyersguide.com, by mail: PO Box 128, Lowell, MI 49331 or in person: 105 N. Broadway.

LOWELL SHOWBOAT GARDEN CLUB MEETING - at the Englehardt Library on Mon., May 20 at 6:30 pm. Herbs by Alana Haley. New members welcomed.

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WOMEN FOR SOBRIETY - meets every Monday, 7-8p.m. at Bowne Center United Methodist Church, fellowship hall, 12051 84th St., corner of Alden Nash. Call Sue at 868-6219 or www.womenforsobriety.org

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second Monday of the month at 10 a.m. in the Historical Museum at 84th/Alden Nash.

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

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

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP 102 - every Monday, 7-8:30p.m. during school year in Scout Cabin at the end of N. Washington St. Ages 11 and up or completing 5th grade. Call Scoutmaster Clay VanderWarf, 616-485-3429 or Del Rockwell at 897-6814.

VERGENNES CLUB MEETS - at 1 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month March thru Nov. Meeting at Schneider Manor Community Room. Program & refreshments. Guests welcome.

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THE LOWELL BOARD OF EDUCATION - second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Administration Building, 300 High St., Lowell.

BABY PANTRY OF LOWELL - is located inside Flat River Outreach Ministries (FROM) at 11535 Fulton St. E. We are open Monday 5:30-7:30pm and Thursday 2-4:30pm to help moms and families in need with basic supplies like diapers, wipes and other baby items. We are non-denominational and serve families in the Lowell area. Please call Michele with any questions at 616-322-5957.

STORYTIME - Thursdays, 10 a.m. with Ms. Sheila at Clarksville Area Library, 130 S. Main, Clarksville, 616-693-1001.

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MOMS IN TOUCH GROUP - forming for Alto Elementary. Call Suzanne for more info, 868-7337.

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Red Arrow

- VOLLEYBALL

SPORTS

Boys volleyball continues inaugural season with 2-1 result in Lowell Quad

by Justin Scott
contributing reporter

A brand new club sport has kicked off in the LHS gym this spring. Coached by LHS varsity volleyball coach Jordan Drake, the Lowell boys volleyball team won two matches and lost one in their home quad last Monday.

Starting off fast, Lowell jumped to a 25-12 first set win over Reeths-Puffer, with the Rockets battling back to force a tie-breaking third set. Lowell rode some strong serves to help them take set three 15-8. They also beat Mona Shores 2-1 (20-25, 25-14, 15-4) and then lost to Grand Haven 1-2 (22-25, 25-22, 10-15). Bath and Lansing City also participated but did not compete against Lowell on Monday.

As is expected with the introduction of any new sport, the team has had some growing pains. Only one member of the team had played organized volleyball before. "The guys have

really bought into working hard at practice, trusting in the process of getting a little better each day, and seeing the improvements each Monday when we play our conference matches," Coach Drake said regarding his team's improvement. The results on Monday moved their overall record to 6-7.

Statistics leaders for the team so far are senior Brenan Conlan (88 assists), junior Ricky Braman (52 digs), senior Gavin Coxon (15 blocks), senior Drew Davidson (13 aces), and senior Trevor Petroelje (38 kills). Fans can next see the team at LHS on Monday, May 13. The team is hosting regionals, with round 1 at 5:30 pm, and then round 2 at 7:30 pm, if they win. A potential high school boys volleyball state semifinal and final would both take place at Grand Rapids Christian on May 16.

The extremely successful season from the

Lowell varsity volleyball team in the fall has certainly been a big part of the interest in making boys volleyball a reality at Lowell. The Lady Arrows went 38-4-2 last season and went undefeated in the OK White. "I knew that there would be boys who were interested from getting to know some of the guys who came and supported the girls throughout their season," said Coach Drake.

Boys volleyball has been growing in popularity around the state but is not sanctioned by the MHSAA at this time. Along with girls wrestling (in which Lowell also has competed), boys volleyball has been a sport many consider a potential candidate to become an MHSAA-sanctioned sport in the future. "I really just wanted to provide the opportunity for the boys. There was a lot of legwork done by some other guys around the area who were



The team huddles during their match against Reeths-Puffer.

also interested in boys volleyball becoming a sport in Michigan. We currently have 12 schools in our conference in hopes to keep growing every year until we are big enough to become an MHSAA-sanctioned sport."

Any boys or girls in second through eighth grade interested in playing volleyball are encouraged to sign up for the Lowell volleyball summer youth camp which is June 10-13 from 4-6 pm for second through fifth graders and

6-8 pm for sixth through eighth graders. Visit lowellsportscamps.com to sign up. "We would love to get some more support from all of Lowell and continue to grow the game of boys volleyball."

Lacrosse goes pink to raise money for Gilda's Club

by Justin Scott
contributing reporter

The Lowell lacrosse program played host to their pink games this past weekend against Comstock Park, raising funds for Gilda's Club. Gilda's Club is a non-profit that has locations nationwide

including Lowell and Grand Rapids, offers free care and support to those on any kind of cancer or grief journey. As is Pink Arrow tradition, each Lowell lacrosse player wore a special pink jersey. These jerseys had the name of a

loved one currently battling, or who has battled cancer.

On the field, both teams scored early and often in wins over the Panthers. The ladies kicked off the action at noon with a 21-7 win over Comstock Park. With

perfect weather for the day's festivities, Lowell went into halftime up 14-5. The win moved LHS to 11-3 for the season. Earlier in the week Lowell beat Spring Lake 9-8, with keeper Sky Raab saving Spring Lake's game-tying effort with 30 seconds remaining.

The boys team also got off to a quick start in their 15-2 win over Comstock Park. Sophomore Sam Lixie opened the scoring, while Case Olesko, Mason Godbold, Gramm McCormack and Cole Huisman also scored in the first half. Possession remained largely with LHS throughout the game. Sophomore Carter Sherman was hard to get past in goal for the Panthers.

The Lowell girls lacrosse team went on to face Caledonia, tied atop the conference standings as the team chased their first-ever conference title. However, the ladies were outshot 16-13 in a physical game against Caledonia. Lowell took the



Mason Godbold before scoring a goal in Lowell's 15-2 win over Comstock Park.

lead into halftime following four straight goals.

Out of the break, Caledonia came back with two straight goals to gain some momentum and cut the Lowell lead to 6-4. Molly Frederickson was able to stem that momentum with a huge goal at the 10:15 mark. Caledonia had plenty of

possession but struggled to get through the LHS defense and the Arrows were able to hang on and secure the win. Lowell has two conference games left to play, including one against Grand Haven, a team they beat by one goal earlier in the season.



The Lowell girls lacrosse team celebrates after the win.

FUN PAGE

SUDOKO

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- Famed river
- Lake __, one of the Great
- Make free from bacteria
- People native to Canada
- Japanese seaport
- Least clothed
- Horse of small breed
- Italian doctor and poet
- Moving away from land
- One who parks cars
- Some are front and some are back
- Views
- Ancient Greek shield (alt. sp.)
- Spanish seaport
- New England college (abbr.)
- The woman

CLUES DOWN

- Small amounts
- Duplicate
- Current unit
- Neither
- Chromium(II) oxide
- Second sight
- The absence of mental stress or anxiety
- Supplemented with difficulty
- Not the beginning
- Dorm employee
- Hard, white substances
- Scariest
- Spanish island
- Having sufficient skill
- Where golfers start
- No charge
- Print errors
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- Paintings of holy figures
- CNN host Lisa
- Gives whippings
- Type of tie
- Unbroken view
- Blemish
- National capital
- "Captain Marvel" actress Larson
- Tenth pair of cranial nerves
- Arizona native peoples
- Confuse
- Body parts
- Plays a fast guitar
- Tub
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SOUTH	12,435	4,406	3,610	xxxxx	xxxxx	xxxxx	20,451

Couples Fighting for Their Neighbors

Herm and Barb Meyer started volunteering at FROM about three years ago. The couple, who moved to Lowell about five years ago, had been helping rebuild homes, but decided they wanted to donate their time closer to their own home. FROM's location coupled with their previous experience working at a Thrift Store in Minnesota made FROM the perfect place for them to donate their time.

"We like to keep busy and help out in our community," says Herm about why they enjoy volunteering at FROM. They both have benefited from the camaraderie among the volunteers and they have developed good friendships. Their favorite part of volunteering is "knowing that FROM can use us and our talents," says Herm.



Herm spends most of his time at FROM working on maintenance projects around the building while Barb donates her time cashiering and helping price and stock office supplies in Treasures Thrift Shop.

They are one of over forty couples that volunteer their time at FROM fighting on behalf of their neighbors in need. Some couples choose to work in the same area at the same time while others volunteer at different days and in different departments.

Herm and Barb have encouraged others to come and volunteer at FROM because of the flexibility and "it's a well-run organization that's always a blessing to so many," Herm says. Barb likes that FROM gives people an option of ways to recycle their gently used items. "People don't have to throw everything away and can donate items that can be reused and they help people by doing it," she says.

Want to learn more about volunteering at FROM? Attend an upcoming volunteer orientation to find out more about opportunities in Treasures Thrift Shop and FROM programs. Volunteer Orientations take place the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. and the third Thursday at 1:00 p.m. Upcoming orientations are May 16 at 1:00 p.m. and June 5 at 6:00 p.m.