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Father's Day 'Car Cruz' downtown Saturday

by Brendan A. Sanders
contributing reporter

Father's Day weekend got a little extra flair with the first-ever Car Cruz through downtown.

At least two dozen extravagant vehicles rolled through town after starting at Impact Church early Saturday afternoon. This included cars and trucks from the 1940s through the present, representing over 70 years of vehicular transformation.

The event organizer for the cruise was Ashley Dunn of Creative Party Bug.

"Many previous events that were scheduled have been canceled, so we wanted to get people out and about with an event where they didn't have to leave their cars," Dunn said.

Dunn and a few other participants dressed up for the occasion, donning '50s and '60s garb to go along with their '50s vehicles.

The event started at 1 pm with a large gathering of vehicles at the Impact Church parking lot. Many people came to look at the other cars that had shown up.

Shortly thereafter, the party left the parking lot and took to the streets of Lowell, traveling down Main Street and back multiple times, giving those who had come to watch multiple opportunities to appreciate the vehicles.

As temperatures rose above 90 degrees Saturday,

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KCYF reveals initial plans for 2020 events



File photo of livestock auction

by Brendan A. Sanders
contributing reporter

The Kent County Youth Fair appears to be going ahead in August, albeit with a new format, making the event look different from years past.

With COVID-19 looming large over the planning of various events around the city of Lowell and the whole world, the Kent County Youth Fair last week released the first part of its plan for the 2020 fair. In a four-page document, the fair's board of directors detailed the new format for livestock and non-livestock shows. This included a lengthened fair schedule that will begin Aug. 3 and end Aug. 15. This is to accommodate many one-day shows for the various animals.

KCYF board of directors president Jon Bieneman highlighted how the increase in different shows will help reduce the number of people on the grounds.

"By splitting our many different livestock and non-livestock shows over different days it ultimately allows us to be really mindful of the issues we are dealing with at this time," Bieneman said. "It will significantly reduce the number of people on the grounds at a given time. With a reduced number of people on the grounds, we will be able to better monitor our event participation."

The events look like this for the various animal shows, with many other

shows still subject to change:

The dairy Breed show will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 4 beginning at 10 am.

The rabbit/cavy show will be held on Thursday, Aug. 6 beginning at 10 am.

The poultry show will be held on Friday, Aug. 7.

The swine show will be held on Monday, Aug. 10 beginning at 8 am.

The goat show will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 11 beginning at 8:30 am.

The sheep show will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 11 beginning at 4 pm.

The beef show will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 12 beginning around noon, with check-in from 7 am until 10 am.

All performing arts will

be held on Friday, Aug. 14.

Department 60 modeling will take place on Friday, Aug. 14 at 1 pm.

The horse shows will run as previously scheduled (Aug. 10 through 15) with all animals staying on the grounds for the week.

Shows being spread out also lessens the expenses that would be incurred for the expanded use of areas during normal fair events.

"It will allow us to reduce some of our expenses," Bieneman said. "By reducing the need to rent tents and reduce utility use, we can reduce our expenses this year. Also,

by reducing the number of exhibits on our grounds we will be able to use our swine pavilion for most of our shows. With the great uncertainty around the future of events, we need to be as thoughtful as possible regarding gathering sizes and financial decisions."

Even with the change in format, Bieneman saw many potential positives to this year's fair and the impact it can have on many of the fair's participants.

"By committing to this format for the 2020 KCYF, the biggest goal to do everything we can to ensure a meaningful and educational experience for our exhibitors," Bieneman said. "With some luck, we hope to bring that to the

general public as well. It may look different, but we have a great group of people working really hard to put on a great event. For many of our exhibitors and their families the 'fair experience' is a 365 day a year experience. There is planning, budgeting, feeding, research, training, practicing, and many other things that go on year-round and the KCYF is the culmination and showcase for all of the work. So, for me, the biggest positive is doing everything we can to give our young people an event that can showcase their hard work."

Questions still remain about the public's participation in this year's fair. Being six weeks away from opening day means that everything is still subject to change and will change at a moment's notice. Bieneman acknowledged these challenges.

"There are certainly challenges in pinning down a firm timeline," Bieneman said. "However, currently, our goal is to finalize as much as possible on July 8th. Now, there may be slight changes here and there but that is the current goal."

For more information on the officially-approved changes to the fair, visit KCYF.org.

Lowell school district working to increase diversity

by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

From the historic blackface shows and the huge “Robert E. Lee” painted on the Showboat, finally removed in 2017, to more recent incidents involving a blatantly racist assault at a car dealership and public displays of the Confederate flag, Lowell does not exactly have a reputation for diversity.

According to the 2010 US Census, Lowell is “94.1 percent white, 1.3 percent African American, 0.6 percent Native American, 0.6 percent Asian, 1.1 percent from other races and 2.3 percent from two or more races.”

Lowell Area Schools superintendent Gregory Pratt said the district is doing its best to promote diversity of thought and experience.

“We’ve spent quite a bit of time over the past couple of years on diversity, equity and inclusion,” Pratt said. “Part of it was to start capturing student voices, so about a year ago we

started a Diversity Club at the high school and we’re going to see that expand. Most certainly some of our conversation has been about how to do something similar at the middle school. We see that expanding eventually further, even into the elementary level. It really needs to start to be who we are, part of our culture as an educational institution. Equity and inclusion must be at the forefront.”

Pratt said the district is concentrating on three areas for “continued conversation” - policy, professional development and curriculum.

“One is policy, looking at our policies to make sure that we provide equity and inclusion for all groups,” Pratt said. “We need to continue to look at all our policies across the district and if there’s holes that need to be filled we need to continue to do that and make sure that we provide quality policies that ensure

every student has equal opportunities here in Lowell, especially our student of color.”

“The second piece is professional development for staff,” Pratt said. “We’ve had some early conversations and just last week had some professional development for staff with the National Equity Project. We will continue and expand on that work in the upcoming school year. That should be expanded with our staff, but include students in the conversation so that their voices are heard. Some of our staff and administrative team have done professional development over the past few years, so now it’s about taking it to the next level and expanding the conversation. Not only with staff and students, but with their families.”

Juneteenth, a June 19 holiday celebrating the abolition of slavery in the US, was recently “discovered” by the culture

at large, a breakdown many blamed on the educational system in America. The most common criticism is that teachers must “teach to the test” so that scores are high, rather than imparting useful, interesting, historic or civic information to students.

“The third area is curriculum,” Pratt said. “We need to continue our work in the area of curriculum, making sure that those groups that may have been marginalized are heard and making sure that they have good examples of themselves within the curriculum. For example, are we providing enough authors of color? Students who are wanting to write and read high quality literature, are they being represented by somebody who looks like them?”

Displays of the Confederate flag are banned on school property, including stickers or cloth flags on vehicles in the parking lot.



LAS superintendent Gregory Pratt

“In the last two years, we’ve only had one incident where we had to utilize that policy, so I don’t think it’s happening on a regular basis,” Pratt said. “But I think having a high-quality policy there and being able to utilize it gives us a benefit. It’s in the handbook and it’s pretty solid. Some of our

work going into the fall will be making sure that students and parents are aware of that. We’ve got a lot of work in front of us, but I think that work has been started. Our students need to be heard and our families need to be heard. We’ve started the journey, but it’s a long path that needs to be taken.”

LowellArts has reopened with brand new exhibit

by Brendan A. Sanders
contributing reporter

The LowellArts gallery is back open and running after three months of closure, and it is ready to show off four new exhibits. They are open to the public for free.

LowellArts adopted new rules to follow social distancing guidelines. These rules include a maximum of ten visitors at a time in the gallery. Gallery visitors must maintain six feet of distance

between others in the building, and gallery visitors must wear a face covering while in the building. Masks are available for free at the entrance.

The art exhibitions have been expanded to accommodate the new exhibits that were originally scheduled to be presented earlier in the year before the COVID-19 shutdown.

With this in mind, the LowellArts program created “Being + Wonder + Within,” a combination of three groups of artists who are presenting their perspective on

being human and existing in this world.

“Ikigai: A Reason for Being” is the largest of the three main collections being described as “a collective of contemporary artists approaching subjects through different means but arriving at a similar place of introspection on personal experiences. The resulting collective display asks the viewer to do the same. In asking the viewer to go into a potentially uncomfortable place of reflection, the combination of work presents complex questions about identity, culture, memory, and ultimately the human condition.”

Viewers of this gallery

can enjoy Matthew Farrell’s work with square and rectangular boxes, Katie Toepp’s depiction of neurological patterns in paintings, Egan Franks Holzhausen, which shows a playful paint style, Angelica Hay’s combination of dots and paint to emphasize the human body, and paintings by Alyson Rodriguez, whose paintings include images of children and animals.

The second exhibit is named “Small Wonder/Nature” is described as “the nature of the world to be full of small complexities that most often overlook (or can’t see). The goal of this exhibition is to bring together a group of artists to explore

those natural complexities, the fragility, the strength, the beauty & wonder - and bring them into view.”

This project brought together five different artists from Michigan. These artists were Molly Burgess, Devin DuMond, Katheryn Robertson, Nikki Trim, and Heather Weathers.

The final installation is named “Among/Between/Within,” which combined interests of Kim Cridler and Maureen Nolette. They reference iconic yet omnipresent structures such as biological networks. Nolette used household materials like paper, thread, and ribbon to interrupt and mend them.

Cridler’s work is a “reinterpretation of symbolic forms like vessels and trees allude to covetousness and value assessments while suggesting that we are in turn held and housed by our environment, our larger body.” Her works are pieced together from steel and natural materials that create the largest structures in the gallery.

The gallery is a perfect place to go to get away from the summer heat and enjoy some of the best art West Michigan has to offer.

To see the artwork in person, visit the LowellArts Gallery, located on Main Street, Tuesday through Friday from 10 am to 6 pm and Saturdays 12 pm to 5 pm.



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Second Amendment march on Main Street Saturday

by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

More than 100 Second Amendment rights activists, many carrying firearms, marched up and down Main Street in downtown Lowell on Saturday, June 20.

Lowell resident Diane Devereaux, one of the organizers of the event, said she was aware of attendees coming in from as far away as Kansas and Traverse City.

“This isn’t just about Lowell, this is about all of us in this country,” Devereaux said.

“This is a Second Amendment rally in support of the police chief who was wrongfully fired for simply supporting the First Amendment rights of people wishing to express their Second Amendment rights,” said Mark from Howell, MI, near Detroit. “We’re organized out there in Livingston County, and we felt it important to take the ride out here and support what’s going on.”

“I’m here to support the Second Amendment and law enforcement,” said Jason from St. Johns, a town near Lansing. “I read the article on Facebook, and it was concerning. My whole family is in law enforcement, so I have nothing but respect for them.”

“I think that people here are so concerned about the Second Amendment that they forget the others, like the 14th Amendment,” said Ray from Lowell. The 14th Amendment covers concepts such as citizenship, due process and equal protection. “Some people here don’t seem to understand the Confederacy lost both the war and the moral battle.”

There were two Facebook events

associated with the march, one created by Devereaux and the other by the Michigan Liberty Militia, based in Barry County.

“Steve and Angie [Bukala] are personal friends of mine,” Devereaux said. “So I can speak firsthand knowing the character of our chief. Seeing the injustices perpetrated upon him, we had to do something. Because we’re under assault as constitutionalists and we shouldn’t be. This is our way to show our support for Steve and our constitutional rights. We can’t cherry-pick them. You see, that’s the problem. It’s a very big document and it’s for all of us. That’s what today is about.”

Eight heavily-armed members of event co-hosts the Michigan Liberty Militia attended the march, including group leader Phil Robinson, who said he first learned about the Bukala situation on social media.

“We are the Michigan Liberty Militia and we are strictly here in support of the 2-A,” Robinson said. “We sat in on that ‘Zoom’ meeting they had with the city council a few days ago. I didn’t like what they had to say so we came out to support him, to support all the people of Lowell and their Second Amendment right.”

Robinson said that the Michigan Liberty Militia qualified as “well-regulated” because of the heavy weaponry they each carry on their person. Robinson said he was carrying an AR-15, a Glock pistol, a second pistol and various m el ee weapons.

“The word ‘well-

regulated’ means you have enough firepower to sustain yourself,” Robinson said.

Two of the Michigan Liberty Militia members were observed sporting patches with a “boogaloo” logo. According to the Southern Poverty Law Center, that term “is regularly deployed by white nationalists and neo-Nazis who want to see society descend into chaos so that they can come to power and build a new fascist state. [...] In recent years, the boogaloo meme has become more firmly entrenched within the antigovernment Patriot movement, as well as in adjacent hate groups such as the Proud Boys.” [https://www.splcenter.org/hatewatch/2020/06/05/boogaloo-started-racist-meme]

Former Lowell police chief Steve Bukala was briefly shown on camera during a Lowell city council meeting on “Zoom,” but this was his first public appearance in town since his June 4 resignation. Standing in the back of a pick-up truck and waving an American flag, Bukala addressed the crowd before the march began.

“How we got here today is, I support the entire Constitution, not just the parts that we like,” Bukala said, “So if we do run into any counter-protesters, I just ask that we be respectful to them. Their rights matter too.”

There were a handful of counter-protesters but no violent confrontations, although later in the day the bookstore Bettie’s Pages, 216 E. Main, reported in a social media post that a man spit on their Black Lives Matter sign.

“A group of us really feel like there needs to be more of a presence in Lowell representing people of color and people who are at a disadvantage in society, and to fight back against this ‘all lives matter’ nonsense,” said Chloe from Lowell, one of the counter-protesters. “It creates a dangerous and intimidating environment for the people of color here in Lowell, and I feel like I have a responsibility to say or do something. [...] I have no problem with 2-A. I don’t carry myself, but I’ve considered it. This isn’t about 2-A, this is about the person they’re referring to as ‘the chief,’ who is just Joe Blow now.”

Business owners on Main Street were concerned that an armed march through town on a Saturday, the busiest downtown shopping day of the week, would be bad for the local economy. Local merchants have already been struggling because of the COVID-19 lockdown. Some businesses decided to close their doors during the march, many remained open. On Friday, June 19, the Ledger polled 10 random Main Street businesses about their Saturday hours. Of those polled, eight said they would not change their normal hours and two said they were closing because of the march.

On Friday, June 19, interim Lowell police chief Christopher Hurst hand-delivered a letter to businesses on Main Street.

“Some have called and expressed concern because many of the marchers will [most likely be] carrying firearms,” Hurst wrote. “I understand your concern, I have mine as



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well. Under the law and the interpretation of the courts, open carrying a firearm in public is lawful. You as the owner/agent of your business, set the rules on your property. You do not have to allow anyone in your business that you deem unwanted for any reason, including carrying a firearm. If you do not want someone in your business with a firearm, you can post a sign or simply ask them to leave (and possibly come back unarmed to shop). If they refuse to leave they can be deemed as trespassing. If you post a sign, please keep [it] apolitical and polite, otherwise it may cause you unwanted attention. Post the sign at eye level in large bold letter. Example: ‘No firearms allowed. Thank you for your cooperation.’”

Devereaux said she hoped the march might increase business.

“We’re all going to be hitting up the ice cream store and the various businesses,” Devereaux said. “Everyone knows it. We brought cash and we’re going to be spending money in the city of Lowell. If we’re for a community, we’ve got to spend money here too. [...] What we’re hearing is some individuals, some businesses, are concerned, and I want to squash concerns because this is peaceful. We’re not here to riot, we’re not terrorists, we are people in the community who have had enough and we’re just simply exercising our rights in probably one of the most patriotic marches you’ll ever see in this town.”

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Wheat cloud downtown on Thursday, June 18



by Tim McAllister lead reporter

King Milling accidentally released a cloud of wheat chaff last week that coated the downtown area in beige dust. The company said that it was quickly cleaned up and there should be no environmental impact.

“We had a spout that choked with wheat chaff,” said King Milling president Brian Doyle. “When the maintenance people poked it loose, it fell to the inspection door in the spout they were using and out of the spout it went. The maintenance people hadn’t expected it to flow so fast when it freed up. The very light chaff was picked up by the wind 110 feet up and blew out in a cloud. Our people are cleaning it up as fast as they can. We are sweeping, blowing off cars and having Sanisweep come out to vacuum up the street. No one was hurt and it is not bad for the environment.”

The chaff is the part of the wheat plant that surrounds the edible kernel.



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Moving forward in changing times

When times are difficult, when the economy is fragile, and when we face unknowns, what becomes especially critical is a strong bond between community and school. We know the education that we provide is related to everything in our community. As the COVID-19 online learning comes to an end and we plan for schools to come back in the fall and protests and demonstrations to continue, we know the path forward seems unclear.

Our nation has seen weeks of protests and

rallies in the wake of the murder of George Floyd. While our district has made significant strides in the areas of diversity, equity and inclusion, we know that we have to make a concerted effort to improve our district for all students. As the district moves forward, we will review our policies to include equity as a lens for greater inclusion. We will work to assure that our staff has further training in the area of diversity, equity and inclusion. We will review our curriculum to make sure that there

is representation from all cultures. Most importantly, we will continue to develop strong relationships with our students so we can better understand what our students are facing in their daily lives in order to provide stronger support for each and every student. Lowell Area Schools will continue to prioritize these initiatives across the district for all students and families. There is one thing I know for certain - education and knowledge are powerful tools to fight racism.

I am so proud of our entire school community for the way everyone handled the sudden move to online learning. Teachers engaged in professional development, parents became teachers, and students faced the challenge head-on. Thank you to everyone for your patience, flexibility and continued support. Planning

for re-opening school in the fall is underway. Results from the parent and staff survey will be incorporated into our plan. Our plan will also include addressing concerns if another shutdown is deemed necessary by the State of Michigan. Our school budget will be impacted by the extended shutdown and we are currently working through a budget reduction plan. At this time there is no state budget in sight, and we are anticipating looming budget cuts over the next two years.

We know that Lowell is a tight knit community with strong support for all children. We will continue to walk down a path that makes Lowell a better place for everyone.

Jim Turner,
Board President
Greg Pratt,
Superintendent

outdoors

take a tour

Dave Stegehuis

Michigan is surrounded by five of the Great Lakes and a shoreline of 3288 miles, second to only Alaska. The difference is that Michigan's scenic coastline is easily accessed. All of this fresh water borders over 17 million acres of forest land, wetlands, and sand dunes available for public use. Fish and multiple species of wildlife find a home in the vast woods and waters. You and I have also found a home here, so we can share our good fortune with our wild neighbors.

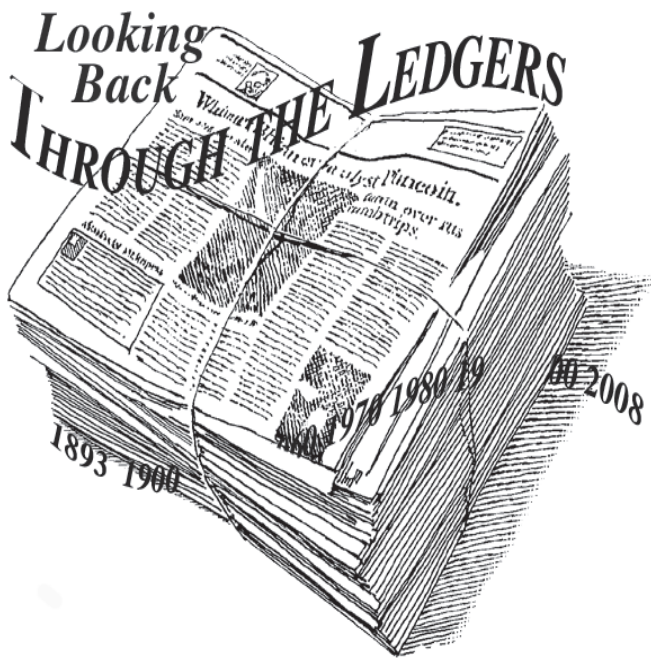
Touring around the state can be tailored to one's individual interests and curiosity. My wife and I come from hard core fishing families. Vacations were an essential stop only trip to a lake or stream where the days were spent in a boat or a pair of waders. In my case we changed up the venue occasionally, so by the time I left home I had fished a lot of Upper Peninsula water. We continued the tradition in our adult lives with our children. After we retired, we made a point to stop and explore popular natural attractions like pictured rocks and a few iconic tourist traps we had sped past as children. It has been fun and interesting.

Camping is a great way

to get around the state and to become familiar with an area and the people who reside there. State parks, usually on the water, and hundreds of other campgrounds, both public and private, are located across both peninsulas. These accommodations provide easy access to tour destinations as well as being a destination in themselves. Day trips and motel hopping will also work to get the lay of the land.

Museum tours will reveal a rich history of logging, mining, agriculture, manufacturing, and the people who lived through these times. Light houses outline the Great Lakes shoreline. Many have museums and a few have accommodations for guests. Trail systems for bikers and hikers wind through the countryside. Golfers will find a surprisingly large number of challenging courses in a state with relatively short summers.

Whatever your interest, a little research will present opportunities to explore somewhere in Michigan. Don't wait around for the once in a lifetime trip to happen. Get out and about in Michigan every summer to have fun and make memories.



125 years ago The Lowell Ledger June 28, 1895

We tender our readers an apology for having advertised Duncan Clark's Female minstrels. We were assured by the manager of the opera house that it was a respectable show, fit for a mixed audience. To our astonishment, on its arrival in town the company circulated "snipes" advertising "The hottest show on earth, for men only." We were deceived, and if Manager Barber was also, he should have closed his doors against the aggregation: as it is, the reputation for high class entertainments that he was at so much pain to establish is destroyed at "one fell swoop."

The count at Ionia prison has gone one above high-water mark. There are now 575 prisoners. An orchestra of five has recently been inaugurated to furnish music for chapel service.

The small boy, in the person of Jamie, son of F. M. Johnson, was the cause of a degree of excitement last Saturday evening altogether out of proportion to the size of the lad. Thinking to avoid a possible punishment for a misdemeanor, the lad crept under

McCarty's ware house and hid himself so securely and slept so soundly that two hours of searching and calling availed nothing.

100 years ago The Lowell Ledger July 1, 1920

Lowell is home of sixty-five members of the Boy Scouts of America, that great organization of boys, which has a total membership of 462,781 in the United States at the close of last year. The Boy Scouts stand for clean healthy out-door life, and one of their mottoes is "doing is learning."

After assisting in saving the country several millions of dollars through adjusting more than 24,000 war contracts which were abruptly terminated by the armistice, the technical advisory committee of the war claims board of the war department is about to be dissolved, according to Campbell Scott, who organized the committee under the direction of Benedict Crowell, assistant secretary of war and director of munitions.

Recent reports show that at present rate of consumption, the gasoline supply in the country is good for about twenty years; but the enormous increased demands for pleasure cars, trucks, etc. will spoil those figures, unless importations increase or practicable substitutes are found.

75 years ago The Lowell Ledger June 28, 1945

Selective Service registrants over 30 years of age still have definite obligations to the draft board, officials announced this week. Inasmuch as the armed forces are not calling any more men than necessary in that age bracket, many of the deferred men are of the opinion they are "free to come and go as they see fit." It is pointed out that this is an erroneous conception.

Michigan lost one of its outstanding citizens, and the people of this community in particular lost a kind friend and neighbor in the unexpected death of Melville B. McPherson early last Monday morning.

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ABCs of Lowell History

The Lowell Area Historical Museum introduces a new weekly feature to explore local history. The ABC's of Lowell's History this week is:

Ashley Avenue, a spot with no village. It was less than a mile from the expected Alton depot site.

Land was purchased from John O. Wingeier for the new depot. In August, the

Hall and saloon. In 1905, the newspaper reported that the bragging of a thief at the Moseley saloon resulted in his arrest by Deputy Jacobi when he returned to the Lowell station.

businesses including the Keech General Store and Ralph Ford's Blacksmith Shop moved to Moseley. The school was originally called the Barto School. It burned in 1914 and was replaced with

- canker sores

Canker sores are shallow, painful sores in your mouth. They can occur inside your lips, inside your cheeks or under your tongue. They differ from cold sores which usually occur on the outside of your lips or the corners of your mouth. Canker sores can affect people of all ages but most often occur in adolescents and young adults. The exact cause of canker sores is unknown but stress appears to be a factor.

Several over-the-counter medicines can be used to treat canker sores. Ibuprofen or acetaminophen can be used for pain. Oral pain relieving gels, like those used on teething baby's gums, can also be used for temporary relief. Another treatment consists

of mixing equal parts of Milk of Magnesia and Benadryl allergy liquid. This mixture is then swished about inside the mouth for one minute and then spit out. This can be repeated every four to six hours. This is thought to provide a temporary protective barrier over the sore. Alternative treatments of possible benefits include: sucking on zinc lozenges, taking vitamin C or vitamin B complex and taking a lysine supplement.

You should be evaluated by your health care provider if your canker sores are accompanied by a fever or any other signs of illness; as well as if these canker sores are large, last longer than a week or prevent you from eating.



M is for Moseley

1900 was a year of beginning for Moseley. The Village of Moseley's beginning was also the demise of the Village of Alton. Alton at that time was a thriving village with a post office, general store, church, cemetery, grist mill, saw mill, rake factory and three blacksmiths. In March 1900 land had been secured along Lincoln Lake Ave. between Three and Four Mile Roads for a new railroad depot and the reciprocal for the mail bag drop was put up. By May however, rumors were printed in the newspaper that the depot would instead be put at Four Mile Road between Lincoln Lake and

Moseley brothers of Grand Rapids also purchased land from John O. Wingeier and began building businesses. The depot was operating by September when the first load of peaches were shipped from Moseley and the first business telegram received. In October, the area was named Moseley and the road to the depot on Four Mile Road improved.

Some of the businesses that built up in Moseley included a grocery store operated by Fred Condon followed by George Whitten, a potato warehouse, Charles Jakeway had a warehouse and livestock stockyards built. There was also a hotel, fruit storage, apple storage run by Gordon Frost, a Gleaner

At some point the name of Moseley was shortened to Mosley. John O. Wingeier began platting lots for the growth of the village. One business that left many memories was the Creamery where cheese was made. Allen Wisner and Howard Kropf retold stories of the Creamery and its excess whey. Local farmers would come to get the whey for their hogs. The rest of the whey would flow in a stream to the small lake to the northeast. The stream of whey fed pike that grew much larger than normal. The neighbors enjoyed spear fishing.

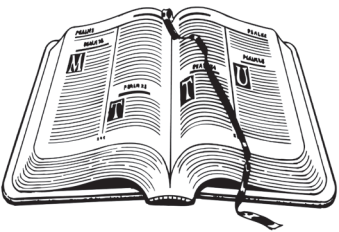
As area people began frequenting Moseley for business, several Alton

the current brick building named the Mosley School.

Mosley ended as it started, because of changes in transportation technology. The automobile came along and the popularity of passenger trains declined. Farmers turned to other crops and weren't as dependent on trains. Some of the businesses moved out to the busier intersections of Lincoln Lake and Four Mile, including the store which added a gasoline pump. Today, all that can be seen of Mosley are a few houses that remain, a fruit storage warehouse, and foundation ruins. The railroad track bed has been made in a beautiful and popular walking path.



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Bob Dylan's new album "Rough and Rowdy Ways"

by Ryne Clarke
The Ryne Experience

Bob Dylan is back and bolder than ever. Now, the two responses you'd hear to this are "Back? I didn't know he disappeared" or "I thought that guy was dead." He's not, nor has Dylan really disappeared. While 2020's "Rough and Rowdy Ways" is Dylan's first album of original material since 2012's "Tempest," there have been a few releases in between. 2015's "Shadows In The Night," 2016's "Fallen Angels," and 2017's "Triplicate," all featured big bands with strings and horns as Dylan covered songs from his childhood and songs by Frank Sinatra. While I love Frank Sinatra and Bob Dylan, never would I have really wanted to hear Dylan do Sinatra, mainly because Dylan (especially now) is a strong songwriter and an okay singer, whereas Sinatra sings his soul out on others' tracks. So it's safe to say with his new album, Dylan is back, more sincere than ever and doing what he does best: writing songs that still run deep with current times as well as offering space for the listener to connect to the tunes.

The lead-off track was the album's second single, released back in April, "I Contain Multitudes," a fitting title for a 79-year-old songwriter who just released his 39th studio album. In this track Dylan compares himself to Anne Frank, Indiana Jones and the Rolling Stones. He's said in many interviews that the lyrics on this album are meant to be taken literally with no metaphors, a former

staple of his early hits. Dylan's band for this album is a familiar one, with the same folks he's worked with the past 20 plus years: Charlie Sexton, guitar; Bob Britt, guitar; Donnie Herron, steel guitar, violin and accordion; Tony Garnier, bass and Matt Chamberlain, drums. "Rough and Rowdy Ways" also sees some collaborations from Fiona Apple, producer Blake Mills, Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers keyboardist Benmont Tench and session musician Alan Pasqua.

Track two out of 10 on this 70 minute album is the third single, "False Prophet," released in May. A foot-romping blues tune with Dylan proclaiming himself as anything but a false prophet. Even by the second song in, I'm reminded of some of Dylan's pivotal albums "Highway 61 Revisited," "Blonde on Blonde" and "Blood on the Tracks." I feel this point is further proved with some blues songs and the last three songs, which are all lengthy, slow ballads touching on some serious topics.

Track three is "My Own Version of You." On this track we hear some of the darker side of Dylan, musically and lyrically, with lines like "blood from a cactus" and "I say to the willow tree, 'don't wait for me'" and music in a chromatic fall and ascent... just to drop back down again. We also hear references to the bible, Leon Russell, Bo Diddley and Shakespeare. It seems apparent that "Rough and Rowdy Ways" is chock full of references to the past

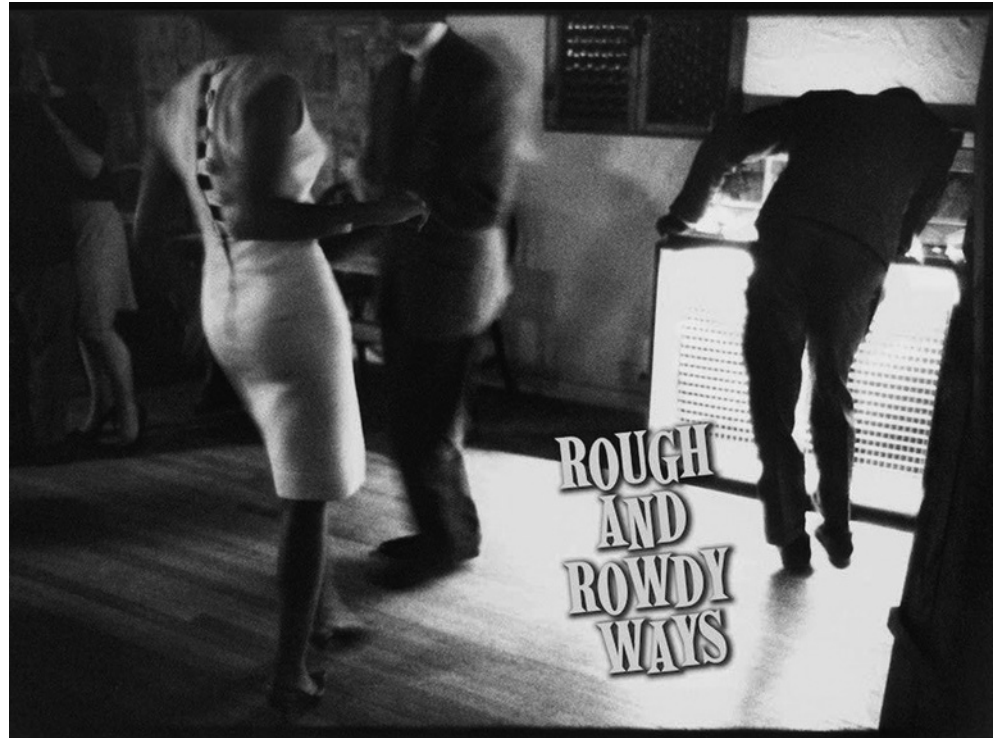
and world history.

"I've Made Up My Mind to Give Myself to You" is the next track, a swaying crooner of a love song with Dylan's crackling voice cutting through the music to still have you think of that special someone. Light drums and vocals flesh out the track. Heavy lines like "my heart's like a river, a river that sings, it takes me a while to realize things" hit home on a slower track like this.

"Black Rider" follows as a Spanish-style ballad about a night rider. "Goodbye Jimmy Reed" is another self explanatory track about the 1940s blues musician. "Mother of Muses" is next, a shift from the last track's upbeat blues feel to another slow ballad, a bit less complex lyrics as well.

Entering the last three songs on the album we get a seven minute song, a nine minute song, and a 16 minute song. First off is "Crossing the Rubicon." This track is a slower blues tune word playing on the popular phrase "past the point of no return," or in this case Julius Caesar's crossing the Rubicon river in 49 BC, precipitating the Roman Civil War. This song is mainly talking about the "risky" things Dylan has done or will do.

"Key West (Philosopher Pirate)" is next, and it's about where Dylan has been living, seeming as though Dylan himself is the philosopher pirate of where he lives. It's hard to say exactly what this means, but the swaying guitars and accordion make this a pretty track.



Reading recent interviews surrounding this album, it appears Dylan has been staying healthy and active, so I think it's safe to say this won't be a goodbye album from one of America's best.

And finally, the first single released for "Rough and Rowdy Ways," "Murder Most Foul", released back in March. This is perhaps the most straightforward song, a 16-minute ballad about the assassination of US President John F. Kennedy. I have to admit that this seems like an odd way to end the album, but someone who lived through this historical tragedy during their musical career is bound to still be shaken to this day from an event that happened almost 50 years ago.

All and all, I'm left with a warm feeling upon finishing the album. I do find the album to be a bit front-loaded, with the stronger

tunes ruling the first half and some slower tunes on the second half. Regardless, I'm sure this will be a Bob Dylan album to revisit time to time for a postmodern perspective from arguably the best songwriter of all time. Not all that rough or that rowdy.

Final score: 8/10

Favorite track:
"I've Made Up My Mind to Give Myself to You"

The Ryne Experience's latest LP "Funky Town" is available from underthecountertapes.bandcamp.com, ryneshyne.club, theyryneexperience.bandcamp.com or most streaming services.

Lowell Museum's historical scavenger hunt

by Brendan A. Sanders
contributing reporter

The Lowell Area Historical Museum's family scavenger hunt has been released and now residents are encouraged to explore the town they live in. With many locations changing throughout the decades and centuries, the challenge is to find all the locations that the Lowell Museum has put out.

The scavenger hunt consists of nine locations from the past that are still present around town, including a long-running restaurant, a residential home that was built by Chief Cobmoosa for his wife, a

former church, a former school that was a one-year college, former opera houses and many homes for small businesses.

Social media is a major part of keeping track of your adventures. Take a picture with your family in front of the landmarks and tag the museum by using the hashtags, which can be found on the museum's Facebook page. Make sure to mark the places you find.

If you have completed the scavenger hunt, you can take your pictures to the museum and receive a small prize.

This scavenger hunt gives the community an outlet to both get outdoors and learn about the rich history of Lowell and the surrounding

area. Some areas may be a challenge to find. Others are spots you see every day but might not know the history behind the landmark.



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Please take notice that the Lowell Planning-Citizens Advisory Commission will hold a public hearing at Lowell City Hall, located at 301 East Main Street, Lowell, MI 49331 on Monday, July 13, 2020, at 7:00 PM. The subject of the hearing will be:

Proposed Adult Use Marihuana Establishment at 2399 W. Main Street

An application has been submitted by Brian Toma for an adult use marihuana establishment (a marihuana retailer) at 2399 W. Main Street (PPN 41-20-03-301-022). Adult use marihuana establishments are permitted in the Industrial zoning district only with special land use approval from the Planning Commission.

Copies of application and the City's Zoning Ordinance are available for public viewing during regular business hours at Lowell City Hall, 301 East Main Street, Lowell, Michigan. Written comments will be received until the night of the hearing.

The City will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services to those with disabilities planning to attend upon three (3) days' notice to the City Clerk. Individuals who require such services should contact the City at the address listed above or by telephone at 616-897-8457.

Respectfully,
Susan Ullery
Lowell City Clerk

Car Cruz, continued

spectators were sure to find shade as the cars cruised past. There were a few breakups in the processions as regular vehicles intermixed with the show cars as the convoy followed traffic laws around town.

Those attending the event were encouraged to shop at the small businesses that are reopening around town, with Rookies Sportscards Plus, Lowell Hemp Co., Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce, Ability Weavers, North Star Antiques, Red Barn Consignments & Antiques, Tap House Boutique co-hosting the event along with Creative Party Bug.



Pictured above left is event organizer Ashley Dunn, owner of Creative Party Bug.



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Second Amendment march, continued



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Resigned Lowell police chief Steven Bukala, left, and Michigan Liberty Militia leader Phil Robinson, right.



Event co-creator Diane Devereaux, left, and resigned Lowell police chief Steven Bukala, right.



A handful of counter-protesters showed up to the march. Pictured are Katie (left) and Chloe (right), who was quoted in the article on page 3.

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college news

Emily Johnson, of Alto, was among the more than 8,500 undergraduate students at the University of Iowa named to the Dean's List for the 2020 spring semester. Johnson is a student in the UI's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and is majoring in English.

Zackery Post, of Lowell, was among the 37 Alma College students - 27 first year students, six sophomores and four juniors - recently awarded the President's Cup for the 2019-2020 academic year. The students earned

the honor by achieving the highest academic standing in their respective classes at Alma.

Post is a first year student and a graduate of Lowell High School.

The University of Wisconsin-Madison has recognized Olivia Linn, of Ada, College of Letters and Science, to the Dean's List for the spring semester of the 2019-2020 academic year.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must complete a minimum of 12 graded degree credits in that semester.

About 800 students graduated from Saginaw Valley State University following the 2020 winter semester.

The graduates earned the distinction despite a global pandemic that led many institutions - including SVSU - to transition its in-class courses to online and remote learning environments in the middle of their final semester.

The following local students were among the graduates: Ashley Beauchamp, of Alto, Branden Smith, of Saranac, and Hunter Videan, of Lowell.

College news, continued, page 12

Showboat Garden Club officers sworn into office

Under the canopy of a 100-year old catalpa tree at the Senior Neighbors Center, the new officers of the Lowell Showboat Garden Club (LSGC)

were thanked for their leadership.

Prior to the installation ceremonies, Nicole Mathiasz, a certified mushroom expert and

person meeting since Christmas was a wonderful opportunity for members and guests to reconnect. Now a standard practice during the pandemic,



Pictured, left to right: Liz Ripley, Diane Black, Mona Banta, David Drain, and Carol McGregor.

were sworn into office. Performing the swearing-in ceremony, Carol McGregor as District IV Director who shared words of encouragement with the officers. David R. Drain and Diane Black were sworn in as the President and Vice President, respectively, to two-year terms. Liz Ripley was sworn in as the new club secretary for a one-year term. Along with Mona Banta as treasurer, the Lowell Showboat Garden Club has its officers in place for the upcoming year. Outgoing officers Rex Byrne, Vice President, and Jan Boerema, Secretary,

advanced master gardener, presented to the members and guests on all the fungal wonders that can be collected during the summer months. Mathiasz asked for those in attendance to share their favorite mushroom story. She then discussed the role mushrooms play in nature and exhibited her display samples.

Refreshments were served including fruit and vegetable trays, a variety of pies, cupcakes, cheese and crackers as well as teas which all contributed to the social atmosphere of the evening. This being the club's first in-

the club observed social distancing and had hand sanitizer available for use.

In the coming year, the Lowell Showboat Garden Club will partner with the Senior Neighbors Center to build a raised-garden bed around the sign on the east lawn, purchasing new hanging flower baskets for the new showboat, and continue its support of the North Township Park's daffodil project.

The club's next planned event will be a tea party on Monday, July 20. It is an annual social event which includes a potluck.

Live the Life You Want Working through childhood trauma

by Melissa Spino MA LLPC CDMS
Life Transitions Therapy LLC

Some believe traumatic experiences at a young age won't be remembered or have lasting effects. While children are resilient, they are not made of steel. So, what happens if they don't get the help needed during childhood to work through traumatic experiences? It often stays with them into adulthood and can lead to serious physical and mental health conditions along with relationship problems. While I don't work with young children, I regularly work with adults struggling from the effects of childhood traumas. Help is available and trauma is treatable.

What is Childhood Trauma?

Trauma can occur from a one-time event like a car accident or a severe natural disaster or from ongoing stress like being a victim of bullying. It can occur from watching something

extremely traumatic happen to someone they love or even violence on television. What we often hear about are the extreme cases resulting from emotional abuse/neglect, physical abuse/neglect, and/or sexual abuse. While these are all examples of trauma it typically manifests when the individual believes they are in danger of being seriously injured or losing their life. The risk for mental and physical health problems from a trauma increases with the number of these events experienced.

The Results of Childhood Trauma

Trauma is somewhat dependent on the child's perception and resilience so a traumatic event doesn't automatically mean they will be traumatized. When unresolved childhood trauma does occur, it can result in issues such as PTSD, depression, anxiety, anger/aggression, poor self-esteem/self-worth, trust issues, relationship issues, fear, suicidal thoughts or attempts, sleep problems, increased chronic pain,

and perfectionism just to name a few. A chronic stress response from trauma can also increase inflammation in the body which is associated with many illnesses such as cardiovascular disease and autoimmune diseases. So, the results can be life-changing.

Treatment

If you suspect you are having difficulties due to past trauma, there is help. It is treatable. There are many therapies used by professional counselors including Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy and EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing) that can help.

If you or someone you know is having suicidal thoughts, call the National Suicide Prevention line at 1-800-273-TALK/1-800-273-8255 for support and assistance from a trained counselor. If you or a loved one is in immediate danger call 911. This article is not intended to diagnose or treat.



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obituaries

BEIMERS

Meghan Jayne Beimers, age 30, of Grand Rapids formerly of Lowell, went home to her Heavenly Father surrounded by her loving family on June 19, 2020 after a valiant battle with brain cancer. She was born to Alan and Jayne (Fettig) Mathews in Grand Rapids, Michigan on February 12, 1990. She married Jordan Beimers August 14, 2010 and together they were raising six wonderful children. She was also a foster mother to eight children over the last four years. Meghan was a 2008 graduate of Lowell High School. Meghan is survived by her



loving husband, Jordan; children, Logan, Everett, Nora, Eloise, Kennedy, and foster daughter; parents, Alan and Jayne Mathews; sister, Abbey (Chris) Sells; brother, Jason (Julie) Mathews; grandparents, Jack and June Mathews; parents-in-law, Tim and Pam Beimers; uncle, Steve (Nancie) Mathews; aunt, Sue (Kim) Chase; several brothers-in-law, sister-in-law, nieces, nephews, cousins and many great friends. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Robert and Jalene Fettig. The funeral service for Meghan has already taken place at 11:00 am Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at West Cannon Baptist Church, 5760 Cannonsburg Rd NE, Belmont, MI 49306, with Pastor Doug Crawford officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made in Meghan's name to Samaritas Foster Care, 207 Fulton St E #4, Grand Rapids, MI 49503.

College news, continued

Ellie Kunkel and Caela Plantinga, both of Ada, and Olivia Richmond, of Lowell, have been named to the Dean's List for the spring 2020 semester at Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

To make the Dean's List, students must have earned at least 12 credits for the spring 2020 semester and have no disqualifying grades. The GPA threshold varies by college - for the College of Education and the Klingler College of Arts and Sciences, undergraduate students must have at least a 3.7 to be named to the Dean's List.

The undergraduate GPA requirement is 3.5 for the following colleges: the Diederich College of Communication, the College of Business Administration, the College of Health Sciences, the Opus College of Engineering and the College of Nursing. All other programs have a 3.75 GPA minimum.

Thomas James Mitchell, of Alto, was among the more than 12,500 Iowa State University students who have been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by

being named to the spring semester 2020 Dean's List. Students named to the Dean's List must have earned a grade point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 9 credit hours of graded course work.

Olivia Ogilvie, of Ada, was one of 714 students named to Denison University's 2020 spring semester Dean's List by Provost Kim Coplin. "Denison students thrive as they learn new modes of thought and are challenged to see the world in complex ways by faculty who share their own personal enthusiasm for research and scholarship," says Coplin. Students who achieve dean's list status have maintained a grade point average of 3.7 or better (out of 4.0) for the semester. Ogilvie is a member of the Denison class of 2023.

Scott Henderson, of Ada, earned a Doctor of Physical Therapy from Arcadia University on Friday, May 15 in an online Grad-away-tion Commencement celebration.

Looking Back, continued

Among five Grand Rapids young women, all petty officers in the WAVES, who have reached Pearl Harbor for duty at naval establishments in the Hawaiian islands, was Anna Belle Merwin, yeoman first class, a graduate of Lowell high school. Yeoman Merwin is the daughter of Mrs. E. E. Merwin of Grand Rapids, and was employed as an accountant when she enlisted in February 1943.

50 years ago The Lowell Ledger July 2, 1970

The population of the City of Lowell has increased by 506 people in the last 10 years. The preliminary figure was released to the Ledger-Suburban Life by the Department of Commerce field office in Detroit this week. In 1960, the Bureau of the Census counted 2,545 people in the city and this year's figure is 3,051.

James VandenHout, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shaw of Lincoln Lake Ave., Lowell, has been awarded the Bronze Star and citation for meritorious achievement in ground operations while serving his country in Vietnam during the period of July 1968 to January 1969. VandenHout was a member of Co. E, 4th Battalion, 11th Infantry Brigade. He has also been awarded the Purple Heart, combat infantry badge, national defense service medal, Vietnam service medal, Vietnam campaign medal with Device 60 and the good conduct award.

Amway Corporation got together with some of its neighbors Tuesday night for a discussion of the firm's pollution problems. About 70 people attended the meeting called by Amway after an Ada resident, Chris DeVries, complained in a letter to the Ada Township Board of Supervisors about the plant's emission of foul air, industrial sewage in the Grand River and possible defoliation of trees in the area.

25 years ago The Lowell Ledger June 28, 1995

Caron Stetler found the seating more than a little comfortable in the driver's seat of her new 1995 Z-28 Camaro convertible. Stetler won the "grand" prize at the St. Patrick's Festival over the weekend.

Engineers for the Broadway/Riverside city parking lot and Lafayette Street Plaza projects were given the okay to initiate construction bids. They are part of the \$1.2 million Downtown Development Authority (DDA) project. The entire DDA project is scheduled to begin this year with completion in 1996.

First Michigan Bank Corporation (FMB) customers now have a more convenient way to use the money in their checking account, without writing a check. It's the FMB MasterMoney™ card. The new card will replace a customer's existing ATM card and offer several additional features.

PUBLIC NOTICE BOWNE TOWNSHIP

A public accuracy test of the voting equipment to be used in the August 4, 2020 Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, June 30, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Historic Township Hall, 8240 Alden Nash Avenue SE, Alto, MI 49302.

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Shantell Ford
Vergennes Township Clerk
www.vergennestwp.org

ANNUAL REPORT OF PRIVATE FOUNDATION NOTICE

The annual report of the Lowell Area Housing, Inc. Foundation for the year ended December 31, 2019 is available for inspection at its principal office, 725 Bowes Road, Lowell, Michigan during regular business hours by any citizen who requests within 180 days after date of this notice.

Date: June 22, 2020

Marcia Roth
President

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FILE NO. 20-207199-DE

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TO ALL CREDITORS:
June 19, 2020

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Ensure You're Properly Insured

There's certainly been plenty of volatility and uncertainty the past few months, but one aspect of your financial picture has probably remained stable: your need for insurance. And since National Insurance Awareness Day is observed on June 28, now is a good time to review your overall insurance coverage to determine if you and your loved ones are well-protected.

You might be surprised at the lack of protection among your fellow citizens. Less than 60 percent of Americans have life insurance, and just about half of those with insurance are underinsured, according to LIMRA, a research organization.

Of course, you might think the reason so many people don't have insurance is because they don't need it. But just about every age group can benefit from life insurance.

If you have a house and a family ... Your insurance needs are obvious: If something happened to you, could your mortgage payments still be met? How about your car payments? Doctor's bills? College for your children? Even if you have a spouse or partner who earns a decent income, your family could still have big trouble paying its bills if you weren't around.

If you're young and single with no family responsibilities ... If you're in this group, why would you need life insurance? For one thing, perhaps you owe money together with someone else – you might, for example, be a joint debtor on a mortgage. If you passed away, your co-debtor would be responsible for the entire debt. And just because you don't have family responsibilities now, it doesn't mean you never will. If you have a family history of serious health issues, which may

eventually affect you, you could have trouble getting life insurance later, or at least getting it without paying a lot. Now, when you're young and healthy, the coverage is available and may be more affordable.

Your children are grown and you're retired ... If you retire with debt or have a spouse dependent on you, keeping your life insurance is a good idea, especially if you haven't paid off your mortgage. Plus, life insurance can be used in various ways in your estate plans.

Even if you recognize the need for life insurance, though, you may be uncertain about how much you require. Your employer may offer insurance, but it might not be sufficient for your needs. And, perhaps just as important, if you leave your job, voluntarily or not, you'll likely lose this coverage. If you purchase a private policy, what's the right amount? You might have heard you need a death benefit that's worth seven or eight times your annual salary, but that's just a rough estimate. To determine the appropriate level of coverage, you'll need to consider a variety of factors: your age, income, marital status, number of

children, and so on.

Still, even after you've got the right amount in place, it doesn't mean it's set in stone. You should review your coverage regularly, and especially when you change jobs, get married or remarried, have children or experience any other major life event.

Life insurance should be a key part of your overall financial strategy, along with your retirement accounts and other investments. Make sure you're properly covered - for today and tomorrow.

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Social Security benefits for children with disabilities

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The child must have a medical condition, or a combination of conditions, that result in "marked and severe functional limitations."

quickly identify diseases and other medical conditions that, by definition, meet Social Security's standards for disability benefits. Thousands of children receive benefits because they have one of the conditions on the list at www.ssa.gov/compassionateallowances/conditions.htm.

A child must also meet other eligibility requirements. Since we only pay SSI to disabled people



This means that the condition(s) must very seriously limit the child's activities.

The child's condition(s) must have been disabling, or be expected to be disabling, for at least 12 months; or the condition(s) must be expected to result in death.

Compassionate Allowances are a way we

with low income and limited resources, a child, who is not blind, must not be working or earning more than \$1,260 a month in 2020. A child who is blind must not be working or earning more than \$2,110. This earnings amount usually changes every year. In addition, if the parents of the child or children have more resources than are allowed, then the child or children will not qualify for SSI. You can read more about children's benefits at www.ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-10026.pdf.

Visit www.ssa.gov/people/parents/ to learn more about all we do to care for children. Please share these resources if you know a family or friend who needs our help.

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.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate

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Estate of REV. DENNIS W. MORROW. Date of birth: May 3, 1948.

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Rev. Dennis W. Morrow, died May 16, 2020.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate

will be forever barred unless presented to Msgr. Edward A. Hankiewicz, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 180 Ottawa Avenue NW, Suite 2500, Grand Rapids and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

June 18, 2020

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FUN PAGE

SUDOKO

	3						8	
		2						1
	7			6		9		
9				8		6		
		8				7	3	9
			2		1			4
2			8	3				
3		7	1					2
					6			

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!

BEACH FUN WORD SEARCH

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

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

Puzzle solutions on page 13

BEACH FUN WORD SEARCH

BEACH
BOARDWALK
BOAT
BOOK
COASTLINE

DIVE LAUGHING METAL DETECTOR

PICNIC
RELAX
RIPTIDE
SANDCASTLE
SCENERY

SEA AIR SHOVELS SPLASHING

SUNSCREEN
SURF
TAFFY
TOWEL
UMBRELLA

UNDERTOW VOLLEYBALL WAVES

Guess Who?

I am a business executive born in New York on October 30, 1981. I attended the Wharton School of Business. I have followed in my famous father's footsteps and even helped him run for office.

Answer: Ivanka Trump

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to humor.

C H E E L K

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Answer: Heckle

1	2	3				4	5	6	
7						8			9
10			11			12			
13					14	15			16
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39	40			41			42		
43			44				45		
46			47				48		
49								50	
	51							52	

CLUES ACROSS

- Protects from weather
- Superhigh frequency
- Southern constellation
- Swines
- Self-righteously moralistic person
- United Arab Emirates city
- Surinam toad
- Sign language
- Tattoo (slang)
- Makes level
- Sun up in New York
- It must be scratched
- Where people live
- Swiss river
- Buddy
- One of two equal parts of a divisible whole
- Shrek is one
- Egyptian unit of weight
- Fiddler crabs
- Carroll O'Connor's TV wife
- No longer having life
- Former OSS
- A way to emit sound
- Mandela's party
- Adult female chicken
- U. of Miami's mascot

- Southeastern Chinese people
- Casino game
- Amos Alonzo __, US football coach
- Joint connecting two pipes at right angles
- Will Ferrell film
- River in NE Scotland

CLUES DOWN

- Occur
- Show up
- Capital of Taiwan
- Former French coin
- Some are bad
- Monetary unit
- Package (abbr.)
- Indian religious person
- Crew
- Antidiuretic hormone
- Makeshift
- Baseball box score stat
- Make a mistake
- Not moving
- Even distribution of weight
- Clumsy person
- Paddle
- Worked the soil

- Alias
- Plant cultivated in Peru
- Side-blotched lizards genus
- Wild dog
- Immoral act
- Pound
- Manning and Lilly are two
- Put on the shelf for now
- Baltimore ballplayer
- Cuddle
- Dashes
- Related on the mother's side
- Witch
- Kilogram force (abbr.)



What is the Michigan State reptile?

Lowell Farmers' Market now open every Thursday

by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

The Lowell Area Farmers' Market officially opened in its new space, the Impact Church parking lot, on Thursday, June 18.

"We are very busy, I think doing it in this parking lot was very good," said market master Cinnamin Piggott. "It's easier for people to get in and out. We've had a lot of traffic. Everybody has been really busy."

Merchants on site reported a steady stream of customers.

"We typically do fundraisers, that's what our main thing is, but in the summertime we do farmers' markets like this," said Glenn Fountain of Fountain's Fundraising, a gourmet popcorn company based in Saranac. "It's been going well. People have been steadily coming in and out and they have been very respectful about social distancing."



Disembodied baby doll head planters



"This is the best traffic we've had for a while, even better than being downtown," said Lowellian Sharon MacDermaid of Crafts by Sharon Mac,

whose most popular items were her disembodied doll head planters and magic wands. "It's been steady for hours, I've done better today than I've done most years."

The market will be open from 10 am until 3 pm every Thursday through Oct. 1. For more information, visit discoverlowell.org or call 616-897-9161.

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Any questions contact Teresa Beachum at 616.581.6199

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Banners will begin being displayed August 5

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, Sept. 3

Football: Lowell hosts Caledonia

Volleyball: Lowell hosts TBA

Soccer: Lowell hosts FHE



Local crafter Sharon MacDermaid

BOWNE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE PLANNING COMMISSION

On Thursday, July 2, 2020 the Planning Commission for Bowne Township will hear public comments related to the following request. The public hearing will be held at 7:00 P.M. at the Historic Township Hall, located at 8240 Alden Nash SE, Alto concerning the following:

- 1. 12851 64th STREET SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Bradley, of 12851 64th Street, have submitted an application for Special Land Use Permit to operate a rural oriented wedding operation. They are seeking a Special Land Use permit under Section 6.04(k), which permits such operations per special land use approval from the Bowne Township Planning Commission. The parcel number for the referenced address is 41-24-02-100-007

The application and plans are available for review and written comments will be received until 4:00 P.M. Thursday, July 2, 2020 at Bowne Township Hall, 8240 Alden Nash SE, Alto, Michigan 49301. All interested parties will be heard at the meeting.

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