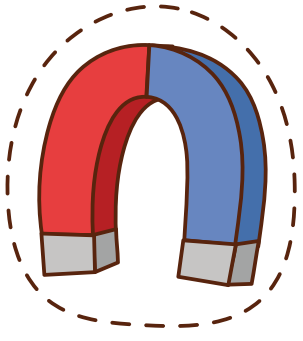


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## Socially distant Harvest Festival downtown on Saturday, Oct. 10

by Tim McAllister  
lead reporter

Like many highly-attended annual events in 2020, the Lowell Harvest Celebration is going ahead, but in a totally different version than ever before.

The Autumn Marketplace is usually at the Fairgrounds, which becomes jam-packed with people, making social distancing impossible. This year, inspired by the Chamber of Commerce's recent "pop up markets" downtown, the Autumn Marketplace will be set up on Main Street and along the Riverwalk. It will run from 10 am until 5 pm, and any vendors or artisans who would like to participate should contact the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce.

Larkin's Chili Cook-Off is going to be the Chamber Chili Cook-Off this year. You'll need a \$5 wristband to try the various chilis, those will be available at the Chamber of Commerce on Friday, Oct. 9 from 10 am until 4 pm and on Saturday, Oct. 10 between 11 am and



Photo from last year's chili cook off sponsored by Larkin's Restaurant.

1 pm. Only 300 wristbands will be sold, so you should probably act fast.

Chili tasting will take place on Oct. 10 from 1 pm until 4 pm, or until all the chili is eaten, at the following

locations: Backwater Café, 109 Riverside Dr.; Big Boiler Brewing, 318 E Main; Flat River Grill – 201 E. Main; Larkin's, 301 W. Main; Main Street BBQ, 210 E. Main; Sneaker's, 211

E. Main and Sweet Seasons, 307 E. Main.

Finally, the annual Riverwalk Festival fireworks did not happen this year, instead the Laurels of Kent will fire them off

when it gets dark, around 8 pm, on Saturday, Oct. 10 to close out this event.

For more information, send a message to [info@lowellchamber.org](mailto:info@lowellchamber.org) or call 616-897-9161.

## Lowell's new live music venue Sound Check debuts online Sept. 26



by Tim McAllister  
lead reporter

Lowell United Methodist Church, 621 E. Main, is putting the finishing touches on a new performance venue called Sound Check.

"This is part of our existing building, just repurposed, where

we're going to host open mic nights, band performances, trivia nights, old fashioned hymn sings and more events for the community," said Lowell United Methodist Church worship director Davin Risk. "It is going

to be the home of our contemporary worship service for the church on Sunday mornings and we already have a couple dates on the books. The general consensus is that it's going to be a collaborative space for music for the community. However it evolves, that is what we are looking to be able to offer."

Starting at 9 am on Sunday, Sept. 26, the church plans to hold a 12 hour online telethon from Sound Check to help raise the \$20,000 projected cost. They are also applying for some grants.

"Right now we have about 14 different acts and we have some video stuff that we're going to throw in there," Risk said. "It'll be a whole production and it's going to be great. We still have four or five

spots open for artists or bands if any would like to perform during the telethon. We'll have the opportunity for people to donate online, to call in and pledge their donation or to drive through our carport and make a drive-through donation. But [the telethon] is more about the number of donors than the number of dollars."

Local musicians take notice, the church plans to install a high-tech recording studio at Sound Check, and Risk said they are open to renting it to secular bands. Interested parties should contact the church office at 616-897-5936, [office@lowellumc.com](mailto:office@lowellumc.com) or through the church's Facebook page.

"Part of the fundraising effort is for recording equipment," Risk said. "There is a whole

dedicated space within that building that will be the future home to a recording studio. We want to be able to host a podcast with local artists and open the space up to individuals and community members to be able to record in the space as well."

Risk said that following the Sound Check Facebook page would be the best way to stay up to date on the activities and events that take place there.

"It's going to be a great opportunity for the community to have something totally centered around music to get behind," Risk said.

If you want to check it out yourself in person, there will be an open house at Sound Check on Saturday, Oct. 3 from 10 am until 2 pm.

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# Tanning salon New Image Sun and Spa on Main St.

by Tim McAllister  
lead reporter

New Image Sun and Spa has taken over the former “Cher’s Tanning Salon” in the strip mall at 2173 W. Main.

New owner Christine VanOverbeek was an employee of “Cher’s” and managed the salons in Lowell and Ada. VanOverbeek and her daughter Nicole Cooper purchased the Lowell and Ionia locations this month.

“Cher [Mastenbrook] and I have stayed friends over the years, and when she mentioned she was retiring, that’s when this all happened,” VanOverbeek said. “Nicole also worked for Cher, she helped out in the salon, and she has a good financial background.”

They’ve only been there a couple weeks and they’re already changing the look and creating jobs. The only thing missing is their new sign.

“We made some cosmetic

changes and we’re looking to add some additional services,” VanOverbeek said. “We’re offering teeth whitening now, on the same equipment they would normally use at the dentist’s office. That is finally up and running. In the near future we plan to add some more spa services like massages. I want to hire a massage therapist to come in a couple times a week.”

VanOverbeek said the salon is looking forward to becoming part of the Lowell community.

“I’m most excited to be back here working in Lowell,” VanOverbeek said. “I think Lowell is a good community that stands together. All the area businesses seem to rally together. That’s what I’m most excited about.”

To make an appointment or for more information, find the salon on Facebook or call 616-897-4111.



## Lowell Police Department activity from August



The Lowell Police Department made six arrests during the month of August, compared to seven arrests in July, five in June, seven in May,

zero in April, 10 in March, 13 in February and 12 in January.

One of the August arrests was for driving on a suspended license, one was for a drug law violation, one was for drunk driving and three were described on the police department’s monthly statistics sheet as “other arrests.”

LPD also responded to plenty of misdemeanors during August. There were nine larceny calls, three dog/animal complaints, one disorderly conduct call and eight assaults. Lowell police also issued 12 ordinance citations. There were 72 traffic stops in the city in August;

56 of those drivers were released with a warning.

Lowell police were called to assist other law enforcement agencies 18 times and called other agencies for assistance four times in August. They were also called for assistance by citizens and motorists 68 different times.

Lowell police were dispatched to four accidents with injuries during August.

The Lowell Area Fire Department responded to 69 incidents during August; 33 in the city of Lowell, 18 in Lowell Township, 17 in Vergennes Township and one in Saranac.

## Lowellian snags 10-point buck



Lowell’s Amber Backing, 1545 Spicewood Ct., dropped this 10-point buck in Mason County on Sunday, Sept. 13. The inside spread on the rack was 17.25 inches and scored 123. Amber was with her father, Aaron.



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# 226,000 total acres treated for EEE mosquitoes

A second night of aerial treatment to protect Michiganders from Eastern Equine Encephalitis has resulted in more than 226,000 total acres being completed to date, according to a press release from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

Aerial treatment conducted on Thursday, Sept. 17, treated nearly 69,000 acres in Blocks 5-1,

6-2, 7-1 and 10-1. Due to nighttime temperatures predicted to be below 50 degrees over the weekend, aerial treatment will resume on Monday, Sept. 21. The mosquito that carries EEE does not fly at temperatures below 50 degrees. However, Michiganders need to continue taking precautions as mosquitos are present and will remain active until there is a hard freeze, equivalent

to the temperature dropping below 28 degrees for an extended period of time.

“Treatment is being conducted to protect the health and safety of Michiganders in the affected areas,” said Dr. Joneigh Khaldun, chief medical executive and chief deputy for health at MDHHS. “EEE is a potentially deadly mosquito-borne virus affecting both people

and animals and we need Michiganders to continue taking precautions against mosquito bites.”

Testing at the MDHHS Bureau of Laboratories has confirmed EEE in a Barry County resident (story below). A new horse case has been confirmed in Calhoun County, bringing the total to 29 cases of EEE in horses in 12 counties as of Sept. 17. Additionally, a

deer in Allegan County has been diagnosed with EEE. Impacted counties are now Allegan, Barry, Calhoun, Clare, Ionia, Isabella, Jackson, **Kent**, Livingston, Mecosta, Montcalm, Newaygo and Oakland.

The newly discovered EEE cases in horses have expanded or added treatment blocks to the overall plan in Calhoun, Ionia, Jackson, **Kent**, Livingston

and Montcalm counties. More information is being collected on the Allegan County deer case and any changes to the treatment plan will be announced at a later date. Please refer to the county-level Aerial Treatment Maps for more details of the identified zones and their locations.

For more information about EEE, visit Michigan.gov/EEE.

## Case of Eastern Equine Encephalitis suspected in Barry County resident

A Barry County resident is suspected of having Eastern Equine Encephalitis, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and Barry-Eaton District Health Department announced today.

Preliminary test results indicate the patient has EEE and confirmatory testing is expected to be completed by the end of the week at the MDHHS Bureau of Laboratories. No additional information will be provided on this individual. This human case is in addition to 22 confirmed cases in horses from 10 counties. Michiganders are strongly urged to protect themselves from mosquito bites following the suspected EEE case along with nine confirmed cases of West Nile Virus.

“This suspected EEE case in a Michigan resident shows this is an ongoing threat to the health and safety of Michiganders and calls for continued actions to prevent exposure, including aerial treatment,” said Dr. Joneigh Khaldun, chief medical executive and chief deputy for health at MDHHS. “MDHHS continues to encourage local officials in the affected counties to consider postponing, rescheduling or cancelling outdoor activities

occurring at or after dusk, particularly those involving children to reduce the potential for people to be bitten by mosquitoes.”

EEE is one of the most dangerous mosquito-borne diseases in the US, with a 33 percent fatality rate in people who become ill and a 90 percent fatality rate in horses that become ill. People can be infected with EEE and other mosquito-borne diseases from the bite of a mosquito carrying the viruses.

Signs of EEE infection include the sudden onset of fever, chills, body and joint aches which can progress to a severe encephalitis, resulting in headache, disorientation, tremors, seizures and paralysis. Anyone who thinks they may be experiencing these symptoms should contact a medical provider. Permanent brain damage, coma and death may also occur in some cases.

In an effort to prevent spread of EEE, MDHHS announced plans Monday, Sept. 14 to conduct aerial mosquito control treatment in certain high-risk areas of Michigan. Treatment is scheduled to begin Wednesday, Sept. 16 in the 10 impacted counties: Barry, Clare, Ionia, Isabella, Jackson, **Kent**, Mecosta,

Montcalm, Newaygo and Oakland. Additional areas may be selected for treatment if new human or animal cases occur outside of the currently identified zones.

Aerial treatment will be conducted by Clarke from St. Charles, IL, using specialized aircraft, beginning in the early evening and continuing up until the following dawn. Treatment will be conducted using Merus 3.0, the same product used in 2019 in Michigan to treat 557,000 acres. Merus 3.0 is registered with the US Environmental Protection Agency and Michigan Department of Agricultural and Rural Development, and is labeled for public health use over residential areas.

Residents can stay healthy by following steps to avoid mosquito bites:

Apply insect repellents that contain the active ingredient DEET, or other US Environmental Protection Agency-approved product to exposed skin or clothing, and always follow the manufacturer’s directions for use.

Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants when outdoors. Apply insect repellent to clothing to help prevent bites.

Maintain window and door screening to help keep mosquitoes outside.

Empty water from mosquito breeding sites

around the home, such as buckets, unused kiddie pools, old tires or similar sites where mosquitoes may lay eggs.

Use nets and/or fans over outdoor eating areas.

For more information about EEE, visit Michigan.gov/EEE.

## More road work, detour in Lowell Township



**52nd St. is going to be closed and detoured for road repairs until a scheduled date of Friday, Oct. 2.**

**The street will be closed from Morse Lake Ave. to Timpson Ave. so that contractor Rieth-Riley Construction can complete the \$275,000 project.**

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## Live the Life You Want Dealing with face mask anxiety

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In today's world of wearing face masks in public some seriously struggle with them. Some may not be able to wear one due to a medical condition but some struggle due to anxiety. They may feel as if they have difficulty breathing and worrying can actually make it come true. It's most likely not the mask that is causing breathing



Melissa Spino MA, LLPC, NCC, CDMS

difficulties, but rather the anxiety about having their mouth and nose covered that causes them to feel breathing is restricted. Anxiety can also produce the following feelings:

- Feeling dizzy or sick when wearing a mask.
  - Feeling trapped or claustrophobic when wearing a face mask.
  - Feeling like you are being smothered by the mask.
  - Feeling your breathing is shallow so you fear hyperventilating.
  - Feeling that wearing a mask makes you look foolish or odd. (possible form of social anxiety)
  - Having certain materials touching my face bothers me.
  - I wear glasses, which steam up so I can't see clearly, causing me to feel upset.
- Working Through the Discomfort**
- While you may not feel totally comfortable wearing a face mask there are still things you can do to make it easier. Here are some suggestions:
- Get fresh air outside before you put on your mask and take breaks throughout the day.
  - Do something to relax before and after you wear a mask. You can try meditation, relaxation techniques, or breathing exercises.
  - Choose a mask or covering that hangs down your neck, rather than one that fits around your jaw.
  - Keep your body as cool as possible by wearing loose-fitting clothing.
  - Try adding a scent to your mask, such as lavender oil.
  - Experiment with different types of fabric and types of masks along with different ways to secure them. Try both ear loop and tie behind your head type. Find a face mask that is most comfortable for you.
  - Try a transparent or see-through face covering so your face is not obscured.
  - Focusing on your surroundings rather than on the face mask. Use grounding techniques like focusing on an object.
  - Distract yourself by listening to music, podcasts or other favorites using headphones.
  - Use calming self-talk like, "I will be okay," or "I can get through this."
- Just know you can get through this. You just need to figure out what works for you. This article is not intended to diagnose or treat. If you are in crisis, call 911.

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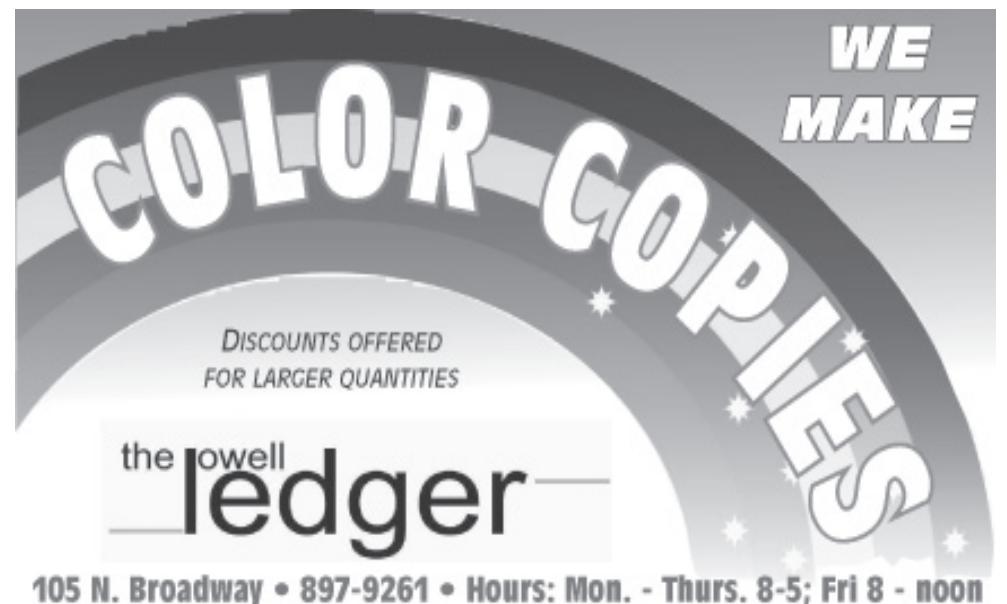
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# viewpoint

## to the editor

Dear Editor,

Our dime store will be closing soon. This past week I did a walk-through, for old times sake. I remember the dime store always being there. You could find almost anything within its walls.

I began to reminisce. My thoughts drifted to my teen years when I turned 16 and the high school would allow you to work a few hours a week. My first job was at the dime store. There was a special fragrance to that old building. The scent of the cleaner used on the wooden floors had a distinctive aroma. For those of you who have been lifelong residents of Lowell, you may remember the interior of the store; only flat counters with a walkway for the clerk in between them. The flat top of the counter was divided into sections so the merchandise was easily seen by the customer. Merchandise stock was stored underneath.

As a kid the biggest attraction was the candy counter. The candy display was always inside the front door. After I had worked for a few weeks I was shown how to weigh candy. I felt I had arrived. I've often wondered if the scales were the same I used back in the 40's. A cosmetic counter was beyond the candy display. There you would find the

"Evening in Paris" perfume in a cobalt blue glass vial with a silk tassel on top. Classy! Also, small tubes of tangerine colored lipstick, about the size of your pinky finger and half the length. Both could be purchased for 10¢ plus a two cent federal excise tax. Yes, there was an excise tax added to anything that was not a necessity. Perfume and lipstick fell into that category. I remember selling gray or brown hairnets used to keep ladies' coifs in place. Face powder in colorful tins and bobby pins plus other notions were sold at that counter.

I don't recall how much I made per hour but I do remember how we were paid. We received cash in a small brown envelope with a flap on the end, similar to the mailers of today only much smaller.

I consider myself a native of Lowell. I was born here, graduated from high school and married a local young man. Our sojourn to college and later my husband's employment took us from Lowell for 25 years. We returned to Lowell 44 years ago and I again shopped the dime store for notions, fabric and yarn and knitting supplies. It was the place to shop for Christmas gifts for my grand and great-grandchildren and holiday décor.

I can't imagine anything but a dime store on that corner. It has occupied that corner all of my life. I know nothing ever remains the same. Just know I will miss my candy fix.

Glad Fletcher  
Lowell Twp.

To The Editor,

Traffic and accidents on Alden Nash (M50)

I moved to Lowell 23 years ago with the hopes of finding a lovely community, which indeed I found. We had horses and the neighbors and I would ride them on the adjoining streets and Alden Nash. It was super nice and lots of fun, until an animal or pet would wander onto the highway. Many pets have lost their lives to the fast traffic on Alden Nash, including wildlife.

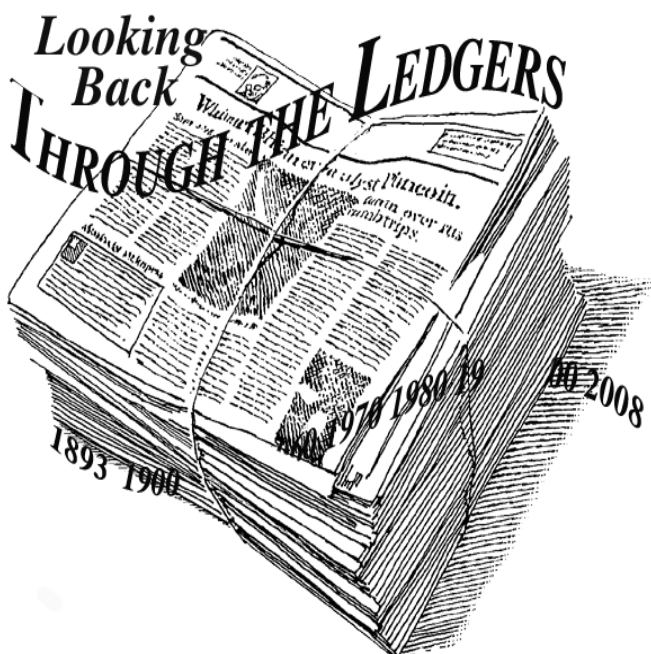
Fast forward 23 years, lets take a look at all the human lives that have been lost on Alden Nash Highway, (freeway). Last week I spoke with local law enforcement, they were unsure about the accidents and death tolls, however, looking at the crosses along the road, one can only wonder. Many of these accidents occur up by my road, near the corner of 36th and Alden Nash.

Road construction started August 3rd, down by Segwun. The first two weeks there were two fatal accidents. One occurred near my house.

Almost every time I leave my street to make a right or left turn, someone who was not there a moment before is now right there. When I look to the left there is a slight slope. No one there. Next moment they are on my tail, gesturing, flashing bright and blowing their horn. This isn't once in a while, it is all the time. I can also state that when I enter Alden Nash, I do it with gravel flying and a heavy pedal. It is, of course, mostly the young who feel the fastest route is 90 miles an hour down a street plainly marked 55.

Law enforcement suggested a petition or a light at the corner of 36th. I don't think that would help. The light would be run and accidents still happen. Okay everyone, if you can't obey the law and continue to harrass drivers, by even going over the double line or on the shoulder, how about speed bumps, down Alden Nash. I realize this is a bit over the top, but the traffic engineers need to remedy this sorrowful situation.

Janet Twesten  
Lowell



### 125 years ago Lowell Ledger September 27, 1895

N. P. Husted, the Lowell nursery man, did not make a show of fruit at the state fair this year. He took the blue ribbons at the West Michigan fair last year and this year contented himself by taking what were offered at Ionia. He exhibits what he calls a curiosity in the culture of pears—a few samples of the Duchesse variety from trees that were set in the spring of 1894. The pears are large, some of them weighing three-fourths of a pound, and are nearly perfect in form and flavor. The pears were grown on the farm of J. E. Lee who bought fifty trees from Mr. Husted last year, set them out and was surprised to see them bear fruit this season. The trees were two years old when transplanted, and the fruit is not only large and of good form, but the flavor is much better than of any California variety.

We are requested to state why the streets are not lighted. Mr. Chas. Church of the Water & Light company, states that they have had no notice to light up since the expiration of their contract.

Residents of Sebewa are having some startling

experiences with rattlesnakes. Originally the whole center of the township was a vast swamp and the "rattlers" secured a good foothold. Scarcely a day passes without one of the reptiles being killed on some farm and the other day farmer E. I. Sales found and killed one of them on his front porch. Tuesday one found its way into his house through an open door and secreted itself behind an organ. It has not been seen since though the organ was promptly removed and search initiated. The Sales family is not enjoying life very much at present. The men on Rumsey's farm have refused to continue work unless an antidote is provided for an emergency.

### 100 years ago The Lowell Ledger September 30, 1920

Mrs. P. C. Peckham was the victim of a peculiar freak of the brisk breeze Tuesday. While approaching Grand River from the north in her car, her hat was blown from her head and out of sight before she could stop the car. Several searches have failed to reveal the whereabouts of the lost millinery.

Theodore Budzinski, 23, arrested in Geneva, N. Y., as the instigator of the \$36,000 robbery of the Fulton street branch of the Kent State bank, confessed upon his arrival here, officers say. Melvin Ringold, assistant manager of the branch, has waived examination, but W. G. Chapp, Detroit, declaring he was drunk at the time of the robbery, and did not know what he was doing, demanded an examination.

Michigan is noted for freakish weather, but the summer of 1920 will be remembered as a cool one. July had plenty of blanket nights and grate and kitchen fires were popular in August. Now comes September with regular mid-summer temperatures; and Sunday, the 26th inst., capped the climax with 93 degrees, certainly good shirtsleeve weather. Well, it will be good to remember, when the snow begins to fly about sixty days hence.

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Dear Editor,

United States of America

What has happened to us in the last four years and what will happen to us in the future if we remain on the same path? As we look at the past four years, we see the growth of separation in our United States. For starters we no longer have a united Republican Party. We have a base

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## We love to hear from you!

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 that include attacks of a personal nature will not be published or will be edited heavily.
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# ABCs of Lowell History

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

### Y is for YMCA

This year marks the 60th anniversary of when Lowell became one of the smallest towns in the country to have a YMCA. The beginning was only possible because of one woman, Florence King. While trying to preserve the name and legacy of her father, Frank Twining King, she left a lasting mark here in Lowell.

Who was Frank Twining King? He came to Lowell at age 7 in 1863. At age 15, he worked as bookkeeper in a pine lumber camp near Cadillac. In 1879, he became a partner in King, Quick and King Sawmill on the east side of the Flat River and on the islands in the river. When the white pine was exhausted in 1888, King bought the Lowell flouring mills and organized King Milling Co. in 1890 with the help of others. Mr. King reached beyond Lowell - he was appointed by President Herbert Hoover to the National Food Administration. Florence was his only child.

In her will, Florence King created the King Memorial Fund. Her will also included a generous gift to the Lowell Congregational Church, but the bulk of the estate was for the King Memorial fund, the income to be used exclusively for the establishment of a YMCA in Lowell. The office was originally located in the east half of the Robert Graham home, now home to



Lowell YMCA swimming pool with Fred and Joy Althaus and children.

the Lowell Area Historical Museum. This space was donated by the city of Lowell. A director was hired from the Fund and board members were appointed from the community.

It was determined quite early by the Lowell Y board that a community swimming pool, to be owned by the city and operated by the Y, would be of high priority among uses for the King fund. Part of the funding for the pool was to come from the city's Lee Fund which had been given to benefit parks, and the largest portion from the King Fund. As stipulated in Miss King's will, the building and pool were given Mr. King's name - King Memorial Pool and today the King Building.

The pool opened in July of 1961. The day was 90 degrees, and over 300 people delighted in its use that first day. The crowd had to be divided in order to give everyone a chance to plunge

into the only outdoor public pool in Eastern Kent County. The pool was home to competitive swim teams and synchronized swim lessons and competitions.

By 1969 the YMCA had a baseball program, with 317 participants on 28 teams. They also boasted day camps, tennis, trip programs, clinics and horseback riding, and of course, the pool, which had an attendance of over 27,000 that summer!

Through the years it hasn't been just the young people who benefited from the YMCA. The Lowell YMCA hosted a senior citizens' group that had monthly meetings in the 'Y' Lounge.

The YMCA has partnered with others over the years. The pool was accomplished by working with the City of Lowell. Many businesses in town

have participated in Y fundraising campaigns. In 1971, the YMCA began a partnership with the Lowell Area Schools to provide community education classes. High school credit classes and leisure time classes were offered during the winter semester with over 60 adults registered. The goals were to help adults get the high school credit needed to receive a diploma, and the recreation and enrichment courses were a way to learn new interests and hobbies. Babysitting was offered for those in class.

The King Memorial Fund is still providing income for the Y, and recently the YMCA of Lowell purchased the old Impact Church site with the help of the fund. They look forward to continuing to grow to better serve the Lowell community.

### - animal bites

Animal bites are a common presenting problem in primary care clinics, urgent care centers, and emergency rooms. In the United States, 800,000 people seek medical attention due to dog bites annually. Cat bites are the next most common type of animal bite. Animal bite wounds can cause a laceration (wound or cut) that requires repair and are at high risk for infection. More serious complications from animal bites can also occur, including rabies and tetanus.

Any animal bite should be evaluated by a medical professional as the wounds need to be thoroughly and safely cleaned and evaluated. Some animal bites require x-ray or other imaging to check on the underlying structure (bones, ligaments, muscles, nerves, etc.). Some animal bite

wounds require preventive antibiotics, but this depends on the nature and type of animal bite and the wound, as well as the health status of the patient.

Tetanus and rabies prevention are also important considerations after an animal bite. An up to date tetanus shot plays an important role in preventing tetanus after an animal bite. In the US, most domestic pets are appropriately immunized for rabies, but this must be confirmed after an animal bite. Your primary care provider can help determine the appropriate treatment needs, and preventive actions, after an animal bite. The timing of evaluation and treatments can be very important, so it is recommended that all animal bites be evaluated in a timely fashion to prevent complications.

## business matters



Greenridge Realty announced that Rick Seese received Realtor of the Month in August.

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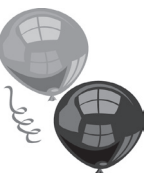
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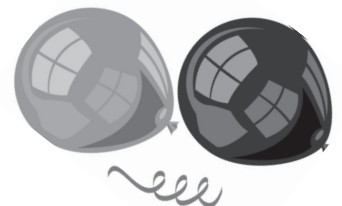
Orison Abel, Judy Baird, Kelleigh Walling, Edward Stormzand II, Keaton Dilly, Cameron Dilly.

### SEPTEMBER 25

Sara Swift, Carol Wingeier, Patricia Mull.

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Micah Soyka, Jim Nikodemski, Torin Hacker, Alexis Shaffer.



### SEPTEMBER 27

Brooke Tetzlaff.



# Higher income, more educated counties requesting absentee ballots at higher rate

Leelanau and Oakland counties, two of the state's highest-income and best-educated counties, are requesting absentee voter ballots at a higher rate than the rest of Michigan's 81 counties, according to numbers released last Wednesday by the Secretary of State.

All six of Michigan counties with the highest percentage of absentee ballot requests for the Nov. 3 election also are among the

top six in median household income. Of the 10 Michigan counties with the high absentee ballot requests, eight are on the highest income list.

Nearly 44 percent of the 20,963 registered voters in Leelanau County, home to Glen Arbor, Leland and Sleeping Bear Dunes, have requested an absentee ballot for Nov. 3.

Meanwhile, 38.3 percent of Oakland County voters have asked for an absentee

ballot.

The counties requesting the highest number of absentee ballots after these two are Grand Traverse (38.0 percent), Washtenaw (38.0 percent), Ingham (36 percent), Livingston (35 percent), Benzie (33.6 percent), Eaton (33.6 percent), Ottawa (33 percent) and Clinton (33 percent).

Washtenaw, Oakland, Leelanau and Ingham also have the highest percentage of bachelor's degrees per

capita. Of the 12 counties requesting the most absentee ballots (Kalamazoo at 32 percent and Emmet at 31.8 percent), nine are among the top 12 counties for bachelor's degrees per capita.

Those who have issued the fewest absentee ballots per capita are all rural counties, many of which are in Northern Michigan: Alger (14 percent), Schoolcraft (14.2 percent), Osceola (15 percent), Ionia (16.9 percent), Gogebic (17

percent), Huron (17 percent), Cass (17.1 percent), St. Joseph (17.3 percent), Wexford (17.4 percent), Kalkaska (17.5 percent) and Luce (17.6 percent).

Overall, 2.284 million absentee ballots have been requested in the run-up to the election. A total of 47,279 ballots have already been issued, according to the Secretary of State.

Detroit has received 106,179 absentee ballot requests, the highest in the

state, followed by Grand Rapids (44,766), Ann Arbor (39,107), Sterling Heights (31,541), Warren (29,277), Farmington Hills (27,974) and Lansing (26,875).

Roseville has issued the most ballots with 7,582, followed by Canton Township at 7,028, Farmington Hills (4,817), Grosse Ile Township (4,268), Marion Township in Livingston County (3,220) and Plainfield Township in Kent County (1,686).

# Gov. Whitmer supports paying for Capitol gun ban



Gov. Gretchen Whitmer

"I'm hopeful they will take action to ban weapons in the Capitol," Gov. Whitmer said to TV-6 News in Lansing.

Gov. Whitmer has for months been lobbying behind the scenes to move the Capitol Commission to impose the ban.

With a meeting coming up involving the two GOP legislative leaders on that possibility, Gov. Whitmer said, "I don't think any legislator should have to go to work and be in fear of their safety and being intimidated by gun-carrying visitors to the building."

The commission is concerned about the infrastructure costs of implementing a ban

because, as commissioner Bill Kandler noted on Monday, Sept. 14, without the metal detectors and security guards at various entrances to the building, the ban is meaningless and would be "flaunted" by open carry visitors.

The critical issue in the final outcome could revolve around Gov. Whitmer's willingness to make a state appropriation for those elements.

"I would absolutely look favorably on the prospect of that. I'd be happy to have that conversation

with the legislators if the commission acts," Gov. Whitmer said.

In a related story, House Democrats announced Thursday that they are introducing bills to abolish the Michigan Capitol Commission after the six-person commission declined Monday to exercise its authority to bans guns from the Capitol building.

"Once again, they have skirted their responsibility for the safety and well-being of the legislators and staff who work in the

state Capitol building and the approximately 115,000 annual tour participants, including an estimated 85,000 school kids," the press release read.

The five bills - HB 6246, HB 6247, HB 6248, HB 6249 and HB 6250 - return the Michigan State Capitol Historic Site, veteran recognitions, Capitol grounds management and

maintenance reporting to the Legislative Council.

House Minority Leader Christine Greig (D-Farmington Hills) introduced the flagship bill with Rep. Kara Hope (D-Holt), Rep. Yousef Rabhi (D-Ann Arbor), Rep. Brenda Carter (D-Pontiac) and Rep. Robert Wittenberg (D-Huntington Woods) all with a bill in the package.

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

The Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing to consider the following request from Stony Bluff LLC:

**REQUEST:** A request for Tentative Preliminary Plat approval in order to create Phase 4 of the Stony Bluff Subdivision. This Phase will contain 29 single family lots served by a public road and public water and sanitary sewer.

**GENERAL LOCATION:** 11736 Foreman Street. Specifically, Phase 4 will extend existing Old Gun Club Drive and Rifle Drive to the west to intersect a new north south street in Phase 4 called Kimber Woods Drive.

The hearing will be held as follows:

**WHEN: MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2020**  
**TIME: 7:00 P.M.**  
**WHERE: LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP HALL  
 2910 ALDEN NASH AVENUE SE  
 LOWELL, MI. 49331**

Information on the proposed request is available for review at the Lowell Charter Township Offices, 2910 Alden Nash Avenue, SE, Lowell, and MI. 49331 during normal office hours on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday or by calling 897-7600.

Materials pertaining to this request may also be viewed on the Township web site at [www.twp.lowell.mi.us](http://www.twp.lowell.mi.us) five days before the meeting.

Tim Clements, Secretary  
Lowell Charter Township  
Planning Commission

## CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE

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, October 12, 2020, at 7:00 PM. The subject of the hearing will be:

**Proposed Mining Operation at 2014 Bowes Road SE**

An application has been submitted by Grand Rapids Gravel for a mining operation at 2014 Bowes Road SE (PPN 41-20-10-100-004, 41-20-10-100-005, 41-20-10-100-014, and 41-20-10-100-015). The removal and processing of topsoil, stone, rock, sand, gravel, lime, or other soil or mineral resources is permitted by special land use in the Industrial and River's Edge districts only with special land use approval from the Planning Commission.

Copies of the 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



# Magnet fishing is a fun, unique way to clean up the environment and relieve depression

by Tim McAllister  
lead reporter

Lowell resident Justin Reynolds has picked up a rather interesting new hobby during the pandemic, magnet fishing. “Magnet fishing is where you just throw a giant, really strong magnet out into the waterways and pick up whatever metal, magnetic objects don’t belong,” Reynolds said. “It’s a pretty simple

process, you just throw it out and pull it back in! A lot of the time you just get nails and crap, but a lot of the time you can find some cool, ornate, historic pieces. What I like most about it is that it gets me outside and I’m cleaning the waterways of stuff that doesn’t really belong there. I have a 1,700 pound, double sided

magnet, so it only weighs five pounds, but on each side it will pick up 850 pounds.” Reynolds will have trips to Ypsilanti and Detroit under his belt by the time this article is printed, his first magnet fishing outside of West Michigan. “I’m trying to get around everywhere I can, but so far it primarily

has been in the Ionia, Lowell, Rockford area, just because I live in Lowell,” Reynolds said. “I’ve been to Jordan Lake out in Lake Odessa but it’s been mostly rivers so far. I would love to take a trip out on Lake Michigan, I haven’t been down that way yet.” The hobby has sparked an interest in local



Three views of the vintage cap gun Reynolds found in the Flat River near where the Showboat usually is. [photos by Justin Reynolds]

history, and Reynolds has created a Facebook page and a YouTube channel dedicated to his aquatic adventures, both called “Magnetic Mysteries.” In upcoming videos, Reynolds plans to show magnet fishing action and display some of his finds, including one large, heavy, “humming bird-shaped” chunk of iron that he hasn’t cleaned up yet. “The more stuff I find, the more interested I become in Lowell’s history,” Reynolds said. “My most recent time out a couple days ago at White’s Covered Bridge I found some more of the

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## CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE

Look Memorial Fund Board in now accepting grant applications for 2020. Applications are available at Lowell City Hall.

Grant applications should be submitted to Susan Ullery, City Clerk, 301 East Street, Lowell, MI 49331. The deadline for submitting 2020 applications is 4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 30, 2020.





# Magnet fishing is a fun, unique way to clean up the environment and relieve depression



Ornate cast iron fencing that Reynolds said most likely came from Lippert's Pharmacy in the 1960s.



Reynolds' find compared with what a mint condition specimen would look like.



Screenshot of one of Reynolds' YouTube videos from his "Magnetic Mysteries" channel.

original nails from the original bridge. You can tell they're handmade and some of them are quite large. They're over 140 years old or however old that bridge was. I also recently found some cast iron fencing in the river, I guess it came from a place called Lippert's [Pharmacy, 413 E. Main] in the 1960s. They were trying to get that 'southern showboat' style look going, but it didn't really catch on and somehow that ended up in the river."

Among Reynolds' most compelling finds was a "Federal" brand toy cap gun from the early 20th century. He pulled it out of the Flat River near where the Lowell Showboat would usually be.

"It's part of an old cap gun, and I guess it's a really rare cap gun," Reynolds said. "It's a really interesting piece to look at. The best I can see is that's it's from the

30s or 40s based on the company's history. I'm not sure how it got in the river, but I cleaned it up some so I could see the company's name, so I was able to do some digging, some research, and with the help of people online I was pointed in the right direction."

Magnet fishing can make a positive environmental impact if the fisher removes all the debris they find, but

Reynolds said that some unscrupulous hobbyists only take what seems valuable and dump the rest back in the water.

"I've been making sure that everything I pull up goes into my bucket that I bring with me," Reynolds said. "I've found that there are some magnet fishers out there who don't clean up after themselves, and you find a lot of metal that is dangerous, so that is not cool."

Reynolds said that he first heard of the hobby when his mother-in-law mentioned that she purchased a magnet fishing kit from an online store. Intrigued, he watched some videos about the hobby on YouTube and decided to give it a try.

"I suffer from bipolar disorder, depression and social anxiety, and I have also found this to be a great way for me to get out of my shell a little bit," Reynolds said. "It's very therapeutic, I find, and it's a good way to clean things up while everyone around us seems to be tearing

things down." To keep track of Reynolds' future magnetic fishing exploits, follow "Magnetic Mysteries" on Facebook and check out the videos on the "Magnetic Mysteries" YouTube channel.



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# SPORTS

## Girls golf celebrates senior night

by Justin Scott  
contributing reporter

The Lowell varsity girls golf team was able to celebrate their seniors in style with a 210-233 non-conference victory over Kenowa Hills at Arrowhead Golf Course last week. Seniors Lexy Kaptcia, Addison Bruwer, Katy Hock, Tressa Huizenga, Amiya Schaefer, Caroline Cooper, Emma Hollern and Sydney Spanbauer were all able to start in one of the last home matches of the season.

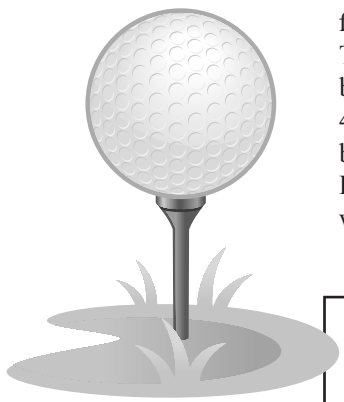
Kaptcia and Bruwer led the Red Arrows with a 43 and 49 respectively. The Red Arrows also received career-best scores from Spanbauer and Hollern. Hollern chipped in from 15 feet on the 2nd hole which was a highlight of the match.

After the match, both teams had a senior night ceremony on the putting green at Arrowhead.

Last Monday at Cascade Country Club, LHS tied for fifth place with Northview. The Red Arrows were led by Bruwer's 44 and Kaptcia's 47. Hock and Maddie Liley both recorded career lows. Forest Hills Northern won with a 160.



Emma Hollern after chipping in on Hole 2 at Arrowhead Golf Course.



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## Volleyball faces states elite last week

by Justin Scott  
contributing reporter

A multi-loss week is something Lowell hasn't seen for a while in volleyball. Then again, it's not every week you face three of the top 10 teams in Division 1 and the top ranked team in Division 2.

Lowell's OK White conference undefeated streak is over following a 1-3 loss to Grand Rapids Christian. The Eagles, ranked No. 1 in Division 2 won a matchup of two of the state's best by a set score of 22-25, 25-23, 23-25, 22-25. Each set coming down to the wire, both teams performed in a regular season conference match that talent-wise could have been a state-finals worthy matchup. Both teams will not see each other in the postseason with Lowell one division up

from GR Christian. Lowell rebounded on Thursday with a 3-1 win over Forest Hills Central. The Rangers, Eagles, and Red Arrows are the three favorites in the conference.

Lowell swept past No. 5, Lake Orion, in impressive fashion 25-21, 25-13, 25-20. In the final game, Lowell lost in a rematch of last year's state

**The Red Arrows (10-2) are currently ranked No. 2 in the state in division 1.**

On Saturday, Lowell continued their challenging schedule at the Lake Orion quad, besting the host, beating Grand Haven, and falling to Mercy in a rematch of their state championship showdown from last season. The day started with No. 10 Grand Haven, taking the first set over Lowell, before LHS bounced back with three straight set wins for

final to No. 1, Mercy 3-0 (17-25, 16-25, 11-25)

The Red Arrows (10-2) are currently ranked No. 2 in the state in Division 1. They continue their state-ranked slate with a conference match at Byron Center against the No. 4 ranked Bulldogs.

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# SPORTS

## Lowell football grinds out win over Pioneers

by Justin Scott  
contributing reporter

Lowell-East Grand Rapids football game tickets each year are generally highly sought after. This year was no exception, only this time there was a limit on the number of attendees. The student sections sat empty, the band didn't take the field at halftime, and a certain Lowell Ledger sports reporter was missing his weekly supply of gummy bears usually sold for fundraising by the band boosters. It was a different type of high school football environment than anyone had ever seen. With every fan allowed inside, 2 per participant, each and every one wore mask, a requirement for attendance. In addition, the kickoff was moved up one hour to 6:00 pm due to the resurgence of eastern equine encephalitis, a deadly mosquito-borne disease that moved up athletic events last fall.

The stands were mostly empty. For the fans that were there on the Lowell side, perhaps 200, there

was plenty to cheer about. After losing 42-14 to the Pioneers in the last game of the 2019 season, Lowell best East Grand Rapids 20-6 on Friday night to start off 2020.

Both defenses flexed their muscles early on in a scoreless first quarter. The defenses were strong all game with Lowell holding EGR to just 127 total yards of offense, and the Pioneers holding Lowell to 207.

Doak Dean started the scoring off with a one-yard touchdown run to make the score 6-0. The Red Arrows would strike again in the second quarter on a 36-yard touchdown run by Dean and a Justin Wade extra point to head into halftime with a score of 13-0.

Time of possession was key for the Red Arrows throughout the game running the ball and eating up the clock, wearing



#7 Josh Rau lines up before a play against EGR.



Lowell's football team wore protective face shields on their helmets, a preventative measure during the COVID-19 pandemic.

down an athletic Pioneer defense. Lowell ran the ball 44 times compared to just 11 pass plays. Dean carried the ball 29 times for 121 and three touchdowns, including Lowell's last score in the fourth quarter. The Pioneers would get on the board but had their PAT blocked. An onside kick attempt by EGR failed after being recovered by Josh Rau, and Lowell was able

to run out the clock on their first win of the season.

The Red Arrow defense was led by Brett Spanbauer and Dillon Hieshetter with nine total tackles. Lowell's record vs. EGR improves to 25-48-2.

LHS will host Northview this Friday night. The game will remain closed off to only those two spectators per student-athlete named, which is

likely to last throughout the season. The game can be heard at [lowellradio.org](http://lowellradio.org) or 92.3 FM in the Lowell area.



## Soccer hits OK White gauntlet

by Justin Scott  
contributing reporter

The Red Arrow soccer team hit the teeth of the OK White conference schedule losing to defending state champion Forest Hills Northern 8-0 and East Grand Rapids 2-0.

Lowell hosts Greenville and Northview this week. Thursday's game vs. Northview will be senior night and the last home game of the shortened season for the boys.



EGR taking a free kick against Lowell.

## Harriers kick off OK White season

The OK White cross-country season kicked off at Calvin College's Gainey Sports Complex last Wednesday as the Arrows lined up against the best the state had to offer. The Lady Arrows running without a couple varsity runners finished seventh while East Grand Rapids won the meet.

Annika Sandman continued her 2020 success as she led the Arrows with a 13th place finish in 19:47, she was followed by Keira Sandman in 40th with a time of 22:33, Theresa Judd placed 46th in 23:09, Lauren Swain, 48th in 23:21, and Kaylee Byrne 49th in 23:21. Other Lowell runners finishing were Jess Spaulding in 52nd and Grace Richmond in 55th.

On Saturday, the Arrows ran short-handed and through some injuries to snag runner-up honors at the Ottawa Hills Fall Invitational. The meet was won by OK White member Forest Hills Northern with 28 points while the Arrows

74 points was 19 better than Holland Black River. The number of personal records highlighted the day even more as the runners took advantage of a fast course and cool temps with six of the nine runners setting new best times.

Lowell was led by Annika Sandman's runner-up finish in a time of 19:22 which is not only a personal record but is the third time on the Lowell record board. Following her sister in was Keira Sandman 11th place in 21:30 (a personal record), Kaylee Byrne, 18th in 22:48 (a personal record); Lauren Swain, 21st. in 22:58, Theresa Judd, 24th in 23:23 and Canaan McKinney 35th in 24:23. The top 25 finishers received medals so it was a pretty good haul for the varsity.

The JV harriers were not to be outdone as the three runners all set personal records and got medals. Grace Richmond finished ninth in 24:48 (a personal record), Jess

Spaulding tenth in 25:02 (a personal record), and foreign exchange student Arianda Sernandez taking 18th in 31:39.

The Lowell boys varsity cross-country team placed second with a score of 71 points. EGR won the meet with 64 points points and Forest Hills Central took third with 77 points. Scoring for the Red Arrows were Sawyer Fowler, placing fifth with a time of 16:50; Cole Weston, ninth with a time of 17:06; Keegan Cater, 14th in 17:34; Jackson Fowler, 15th in 17:41, and Ben Bromley 28th in 18:06. Finishing for the varsity lineup were John Lothian, 29th in 18:09, and Blake Bennett, 34th in 18:27.

The boys team put in a strong effort to win their division of the Ottawa Hills Invite at Riverside Park this past Saturday. Medaling and scoring for the Red Arrows were Cole Weston, who placed second with a time of 16:46; Sawyer Fowler, fourth with a time of 17:01; Keegan Cater, sixth

in 17:12; Jackson Fowler, seventh in 17:15 and John Lothian, ninth in 17:29. Also medaling in the varsity race were Ben Bromley, 15th in 17:55 and Blake Bennett, 16th in 18:00.

The JV team put in a great day of racing with Levi Mills winning the race with a time of 18:16. Earning medals as well were: Evan Klein, sixth in 18:52; Luke Wolters, seventh in 18:58; Alex Weber, 11th in 19:46; Dannion Simmet, 12th in 19:48; Caeden Kaufman, 13th in 19:57; Rhys Sandman, 14th in 20:06; Antonia Casarez, 15th in 20:11; Zach Boehr, 16th in 20:22; Brayden Krueger, 17th in 21:04; Landon Battle, 19th in 23:45; Joe Korcek, 20th in 23:50.

The Arrows compete on Wednesday at the second OK White Jamboree at the Lowell HS campus.





## obituaries

### CARLSON

 Stephen David Carlson, our beloved husband, father, brother, brother-in-law, grandfather, and great-grandfather was taken to our Lord and Savior on September 16, 2020. Stephen was an Army Veteran (1953-1955). He is survived by his wife, Shirley Carlson of 60 years; along with his children, Jana (Ken) Thomas, Randall (Linda Pavledes) Carlson and Gregory (Renee) Carlson. He was a grandfather to Daniel Thomas, Matthew Thomas, Kylee (Rick) McGregor, Stephanie Carlson, and great-grandfather to Nathan, Royce, and Roger. He is survived by his sister, Joan Potter, and brother, Marvin Carlson. He is also survived by brothers-in-law, Jerry (Roberta) Bruinekool, Lee (Barb) Bruinekool; and sisters-in-law, Evelyn Bruinekool, Dorothy Walling, and Elizabeth Smith. As well as nephews, nieces, and cousins. Stephen retired after 45 years of Carpentry. He was once a farm hand at Holiday Farms of Ada. He enjoyed spending time with his family, woodworking and volunteering with his wife, Shirley, at Amway Disaster Relief Team, Flat River Outreach Ministries, and during the winter he volunteered for Santa Claus Girls. The family met with friends and relatives from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, September 18, 2020 at Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, 305 N. Hudson St. Lowell, MI 49331, and one-hour prior to the funeral service at the church. Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 19, 2020 at First United Methodist Church, 621 E. Main Street, Lowell, MI 49331. Rev. Brad Brillhart officiating. Per the executive order in place, those in attendance at both the visitation and funeral, must wear a face covering. In Lieu of flowers, you can make donations to: Flat River Outreach Ministries, 11535 Fulton Street East, Lowell MI 49331.



### FAHRNI

Ruthanne Fahrni, age 81 of Lowell, passed from this life into eternity Saturday, September 19, 2020. She was a wonderful and loving mom, grandma, and great-grandma. She rarely forgot a birthday, and always sent the grandkids a card on their special day. She also for years sent cards to her church family for birthdays and anniversaries. Ruthanne went to Butterworth School of Nursing and worked over 40 years as a nurse, caring for others. Twenty-two of those years, she worked as

a charge nurse at Laurels of Kent in Lowell. Ruthanne loved being with her children, grand children, and she loved planting flowers every year. She was preceded in death by her parents, Leo and Edna Bloomer;



brother, Lloyd; husband of 40 years, James Fahrni; and son, Brian Marentette. Ruth is survived by her sister, Lorraine Meeuwssen; her children, Mark (Dodie) Marentette, Michelle (Tom) Oesch, Robert (Amanita) Fahrni; good friends, Tom & Connie Vaughn; 9 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren, also nieces and nephews. Visitation will be Thursday, September 24, 2020 from 6-9 PM at the Apostolic Christian Fellowship Center, 7700 Wingeier Ave. SE, Alto, MI 49302. Funeral services will be Friday, September 25, 2020, 11 AM, also at the Apostolic Christian Fellowship Center. Rev. Nate Gray officiating. Interment Cascade Cemetery. We will be following the Michigan Covid restrictions at the visitation and the funeral. Memorial contributions may be made to Elmdale Church of the Nazarene, 11830 Drew Rd, Alto, MI 49302 or Faith Hospice, 2100 Raybrook SE, Suite 300, Grand Rapids, MI 49546.



### HILLARD

Lynn Hillard Sr., age 76 of Lowell, passed away Monday, September 14, 2020. He is preceded in death by his loving wife of 52 years, Joanne Hillard; and daughter, Shawn Batchelor. He is survived by his children, Tami (Mike) Watts, Lynn Hillard Jr., Jennifer (James) Gauw; son-in-law, Mark Batchelor; sister, Wendy (Keith) Kimmel; grandchildren, Britney (Matt) Altoft, Matthew Batchelor, Collin Watts, Brenden Watts, Kaiya Hillard, Abby Wingler, Dawson Hillard, Jax Hillard, Cameron VanEnk, Jacob VanEnk, Morgan VanEnk, Kayla Gauw; great-grandchildren, McKenna Altoft, Marlee Altoft, Claire VanEnk, Arie VanEnk, Gabriela VanEnk; and nieces, Aimee and Amanda. Lynn proudly served as a member of the United States Marine Corps, and had a love for 50's music, traveling and his country. He will be remembered as the larger-than-life patriarch of his family. His charm and kindness brought family and friends together. Lynn adored his family and loved spending time with his children and grandchildren. He was a hardworking man, and taught his children,



grandchildren, and great grandchildren many lifelong skills, among other things. Private funeral services were held Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at Roth-Gerst Chapel, 305 N. Hudson, Lowell, MI. Interment Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.




### HOAG

Michael Lee Hoag, (Mike AKA "Hoagie"), an Alto native, unexpectedly passed and joined as an angel in heaven Monday, September 14. Mike celebrated his 66th birthday in June. Early in his career, Mike joined the US Navy, where he spent years aboard various ships at sea and contributed to the team aboard the ships with his love for cooking. After his time in the Navy, he spent time in the Navy reserves, where his niece fondly remembers going to the various Navy family functions once Mike moved back to Michigan from Virginia in the 90's. Outside of the Navy, Mike enjoyed time with friends and family, and using his cooking skills for various family weddings for his nephews, and grill/cookouts with family and close group of friends he bonded with through his local group programs. Mike is preceded in death by his dear sisters, Debbie Hoag and Denise Hoag (Dykhuis); his father, Wayne Hoag; mother, Avis Hoag; and several extended family members. Mike has several family and friends who will miss him dearly, including siblings, Melinda Hoag (Spence) of Oklahoma, Kevin Hoag of Alto, Terrie Hoag of Lowell, Stuart Hoag of Ohio; also, extended nieces and nephews, Amanda, David and Cheyenne Kerman of Ada, Kristin, Kevin, Allie and Dylan Miller (Potter) of Lake Odessa, Jared Hoag of Ohio, Cody, Angie, Hunter and Griffon Dykhuis of Lowell, and Justin, Mandy, Liberty, Riley and Dakota Dykhuis of Edmore. Mike had a humor with friends and family that will be missed dearly, as he was always compassionate towards family and friends alike. There will be a memorial Tuesday, September 29 at Alto Baptist Church at 1 pm. Masks will be required and available, due to current pandemic situation and honoring those with underlying conditions in the family. In addition, there will be a burial service in the Fort Custer National Cemetery, where he will be laid to rest with his fellow friends and comrades – awaiting confirmation on timing. Any memorial donations can be made respective of Michael Hoag to the National Diabetes Foundation.



### MANLEY

 Lester "Paul" Manley, age 73 of Lowell, went to be with the Lord Sunday, September 20, 2020. He is preceded in death by his parents, Lewis & Virginia Manley; brothers, Lewis Jr. & Lynn; sisters, Sherry Garner & Sharon Knox; also, his mother-in-law, Jewell Ritenburg. Paul is survived by his loving wife of 13 years, Vicky; his children, Christie (Edwin) Williams, Brian Manley, Cory Bartosh; father-in-law, Tom Ritenburg; sister, Patricia Prusinski; brother, Larry (Mary) Manley; sister-in-law, Brenda Manley; grandchildren, Josh, Justin, Damon, Lucas, Cole; great-grandson, Maverick; and several nieces and nephews. Paul served in the Army during the Vietnam War. He retired from the U.P.S. in 2008 after working there for 40 years, then began working on his cars. Paul loved the Lord and his family. Funeral services will be held 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at Calvary Christian Reformed Church, 1151 W. Main St., Lowell, MI 49331 with visitation one-hour prior. Rev. Ryan Landt officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to Faith Hospice, 2100 Raybrook SE Suite 300 Grand Rapids, MI 49546-5783.



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Estate of Bernice B. Smith

Date of Birth: May 09, 1925

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# Looking Back, continued

## 75 years The Lowell Ledger September 27, 1945

Mrs. Lewis Walker, formerly Miss Hazel Peck, received an official notice last week that her husband, Lt. Lewis Walker who was reported "missing in action" over Germany about a year ago, met his death in a burning plane September 12, 1944. Lt. Walker was pilot of a flying fortress B17.

Few persons have had better opportunities for viewing European art than the men assigned to the task of recovering, identifying and restoring collections stolen by the Nazis from conquered countries. Lt. Dale V. Ford, formerly of the faculty of the Kendall Art school, Grand Rapids, now with the monuments, fine arts and archives branch of the European civil affairs division, tells something of the work in a letter to A. P. Johnson, Kendall school trustee.

Mrs. Mable Scott, who has conducted a beauty shop on west Main Street for a number of years, has sold her business to Miss Elva Peet who took possession on Monday, September 17. Miss Peet formerly worked for Mrs. Scott, leaving two years ago to work in a Defense plant in Ionia. Mrs. Scott wishes to thank her many patrons and friends for their patronage.

## 50 years The Lowell Ledger October 1, 1970

The victims of the lightning fire last week, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hufford and their sons, Charlie Plute and Chuck Dyer, are now living in a trailer on the property which once held their home. Their home was destroyed in a storm September 21 as it burned to the ground. What was not accomplished by nature was demolished by man on Saturday morning as bulldozers tore down the remains.

The advisory board of the C. H. Runciman Student Benefit Fund has announced that a cash gift is available to a deserving Lowell student who is in need of financial assistance. The fund was started by a group of Runciman's friends following his death in November of 1968. Board members include Harold Englehardt, William Jones and Mrs. John Bergin.

The winner of the 1969-70 'Outstanding Jr. Hi-Y Member' award has been announced by Al Eckman, club advisor. Mark Blough, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Blough, earned the honor through the voting of the 35 club members, the Lowell Junior High faculty and the club advisor.

## 25 years The Lowell Ledger September 27, 1995

The largest resource library is now at the fingertips of Lowell High School students. Accessing this information will be as easy as surfing the internet. Students can now surf the internet not only in Kent County but worldwide for business information, daily stock market updates, online magazines, financing programs, word processing programs and utility programs – to name a few.

Residents of Eastgate Woods hoping for some relief in their water bills will have to wait a little longer. The Lowell Charter Township Board approved sending bills to Eastgate residents in the next couple of weeks.

The 1995-96 school year is Christine Tulley's lucky year. The '95 graduate from Aquinas College landed a job at Lowell Middle School immediately after earning her English degree.



## Financial Focus

With Christopher C. Godbold

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### Financial Moves for Widows and Widowers

If you've recently become a widow or widower, you're obviously dealing with an enormous emotional burden, and coping with your grief can seem like a full-time struggle. Unfortunately, the business of life must go on – and the financial moves you make at this time can have a big impact on your life.

So, as you attend to your affairs, consider the following suggestions:

Don't make hasty decisions. Even though you will need to make some moves in the near future, don't feel rushed into decisions that may prove to be ill-advised. For example, don't immediately sell your home or liquidate all your stocks.

Consult with your estate planning professional. If you and your spouse created an estate plan involving a will, living trust or other documents, you'll want to consult with your estate planning professional to determine what steps should be taken to implement these arrangements.

Address life insurance issues. If your spouse had a life insurance policy, you'll want to contact your insurance agent for help in navigating the paperwork necessary to receive the death benefit. Of course, some financial advisors also sell life insurance within the context of your overall financial strategy, so, if this is your situation, you'll want to speak with your advisor about how to handle the insurance proceeds.

Apply for Social Security benefits. If you are 60 or older, you may be entitled to Social Security survivor benefits, along with a one-time death benefit. Contact your local Social Security office to stop the benefits your spouse received and apply for the new ones for yourself.

Change the name on financial accounts. If you and your spouse had jointly held accounts with "right of survivorship," the assets will typically pass automatically to you, the surviving spouse. However, for legal purposes, it's still a good idea to retitle these assets in your name. This usually only requires filling out some simple documents, which are available from your financial institutions – bank, credit union, investment firm, etc. But you also may need

to change the beneficiary designations on accounts held only in your name, such as your 401(k). These designations are powerful and can even supersede instructions in your will or living trust.

Go over bills and debts. Review all your bills, automatic payments and outstanding loans. If they are in your spouse's name, or in both your names, contact the merchant or financial services provider to change all correspondence and account information to your name only. For any outstanding accounts in your spouse's name, you may need to notify the business that all payments will be handled by your spouse's estate, if you choose to go that route. You may need to provide these businesses with the contact information of your estate planning professional.

Plan for your future. Once you've handled the immediate financial needs described above, you'll want to think about your own future. This means you may have to update your estate plans and insurance policies. You'll also want to consult with your financial advisor to see what changes, if any, you might need to make to your investment portfolio.

Only time can ease the pain of losing a spouse. But by taking care of the mundane matters of daily living, you can at least alleviate the feelings of being overwhelmed – and that, in itself, has value.

*This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.*

# Letters, continued

that belongs to our President. We have a President who promotes division between the base and all other citizens. That base may possibly be unaware of the reality of Trump's actions because of their commitment to limited news on Christian radio and Fox News. This article is written as a new resource passing on historical events of great concern.

I am a Christian and I understand Pro-Life. I do not understand, however, how Christian people continue to support this President when history shows him promoting the following actions during his time in office. Pro-Life takes on a new extended meaning.

Pro-Life to me represents honesty, empathy, and consideration of every person. Looking back, we see a President who promoted the separation of children of all ages from their parents at the border. Thousands were taken, six children have died. They were kept in cage-like facilities where some remain today. How can he claim he is Pro-Life when his entire four years have been spent openly promoting division between people of other nationalities and our own people of racial and economic diversity? Can we consider Pro-Life taking away health insurance, making tax cuts that support the rich and hurt those living on a budget, and at the same time threatening those on Social Security that it will be ending in three years? It gets worse.

He has openly referred many times to the prisoners of

war and those who lost their lives in the armed forces as losers and suckers instead of acknowledging the sacrifices and praise they deserve.

In late January and early February, the absolute lack of concern for Pro-Life is revealed in the Woodward book Rage with tapes where the President acknowledges the severity and threat that COVID19 presents to our nation and then proceeds to speak to our nation, lying about this pandemic and refusing to take leadership to stop the disease that has now taken the lives of over 195,000 victims as he continues to politically divide our nation instead of providing the necessary leadership to save lives - Pro-Life?

I know exactly why several of you claim the Pro-Life commitment to conception and birth. I do not know how you can believe that this president is Pro-Life.

*Ann Dimmick  
Lowell*

To the editor,

Of the 7.8 billion people that populate our planet the top one percent enjoy as much wealth as the other 99 percent combined.

Of the 50 richest of that top one percent, 29 are Americans and 27 inherited their wealth. They are also all white and all but one male.

If you believe in the meritocracy of capitalism you will vote for Democrats in our upcoming election.

*Jack Misner  
Vergennes Township*

Dear Editor,

In response to a letter by Glad Fletcher, Lowell Twp. to Lowell Ledger on Sept. 16, 2020. Gratitude. Every third Thursday, 3-6 pm at Keiser's Kitchen, 700 E. Main St., Veterans Coffee started by deceased NAM Blue Water Navy vet Herb Rice years ago.

Today at Veterans Coffee, two envelopes were presented to the veterans present by an anonymous lady. One envelope containing a card saying, thank you for our service and a second envelope containing several \$20 bills that paid for the 18 meal tickets our waiter collected.

The veterans humbly thank her generous contribution and with gratitude.

*Most sincerely,  
American Legion Vice Commander Post 152  
VFW Commander Post 8303  
Herman Weststrate Jr.  
US Army 1966-1969 (USARV 1968)  
NG 1974-1976 (126th Infantry)*



# FUN PAGE

## SUDOKO

	7		9	4		3	1	
	1	6		5	3		4	8
			7		8	2	9	
	5			6	2	9		3
	2		8				6	4
6		9	4			1		
		2	5					
8		4						
		5		2				

Level: Beginner

### 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!

Puzzle solutions on page 13

# PET CARE WORD SEARCH

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

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

### PET CARE WORD SEARCH

ANNUAL  
CANINE  
CHRONIC  
CLEANING  
CLIPPERS

### CONGENITAL EXAMINATION

FELINE  
FLEAS  
GAIT  
GROOMING  
HIP DYSPLASIA  
HYDRATE

### INCONTINENCE MATTING

NAILS  
NUTRITION  
OBEDIENCE  
PREVENTATIVE  
SHAMPOO  
SHOCK

### THERAPY TICKS WELLNESS

## Guess Who?

I am an actor born in Pennsylvania on September 25, 1968. Before becoming an actor, I was a member of a hip-hop duo under a "fresh" moniker. My breakthrough role was on a popular sitcom. I've since added an impressive number of film credits to my name.

Answer: Will Smith

## WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to pet care.

O M G R O R E

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Answer: Groomer

1	2	3	4	5		6	7	8		9	10	11	12
13						14				15			
16					17					18			
19				20						21			
			22							23			24
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31			32		33		34					35	
36				37		38				39			40
	41				42			43		44			
		45						46		47		48	
49	50		51				52			53			
54		55				56					57	58	59
60					61					62			
63					64					65			
66					67					68			

### CLUES ACROSS

- Emaciation
- Million barrels per day (abbr.)
- Light dry-gap bridge system (abbr.)
- Anatomical term
- Tropical starchy tuberous root
- Jewish calendar month
- Round Dutch cheese
- Western Pacific republic
- List of foods
- It can strike the ground
- Drenches
- Some are cole
- \_\_ Squad
- Expresses emotion
- One point east of due south
- Satisfaction
- Holds nothing back
- Top of the body
- Not well-liked
- Did slowly
- Greek goddess of the dawn
- Gland secretion
- Vital to existence
- Aristocratic young women
- Erik \_\_, composer
- Not young
- Jewish term for "Sir"

### CLUES DOWN

- Not us
- Helper
- Bleat
- Type of chair
- Jr.'s father
- Necessary for certain beverages
- Hillside
- Dutch painter Gerrit \_\_
- Gave a new look
- Ancient Greek City
- Confidence trick
- Type of fund
- From an Asian island
- Secondary school
- \_\_ student: learns to heal
- Regarding
- Highly excited
- Mainly
- Thin, narrow piece of wood
- Cakes
- Biomedical nonprofit
- Dried-up
- One who is symbolic of something
- Body part
- Muslim ruler
- Women from Mayflower
- Notes
- Malay boat
- Western Australia indigenous people
- Cluster on underside of fern frond
- You need it to get somewhere
- The woman
- It may be green
- Makes less severe
- One from Beantown
- Cavalry sword
- Metric linear unit
- Hawaiian dish
- Yokel
- Dissuade
- Mutual savings bank
- \_\_ Caesar, comedian
- Primordial matters
- We all have it
- Hermann \_\_, author of "Siddhartha"
- Historic MA coastal city
- Shady garden alcove
- Small amount
- Horse-drawn cart
- Nocturnal rodent
- Spiritual leader
- Air mattress
- Speaks incessantly
- Auction term
- Atomic #62



# KCRC announces 2020 fall color tour of area roads

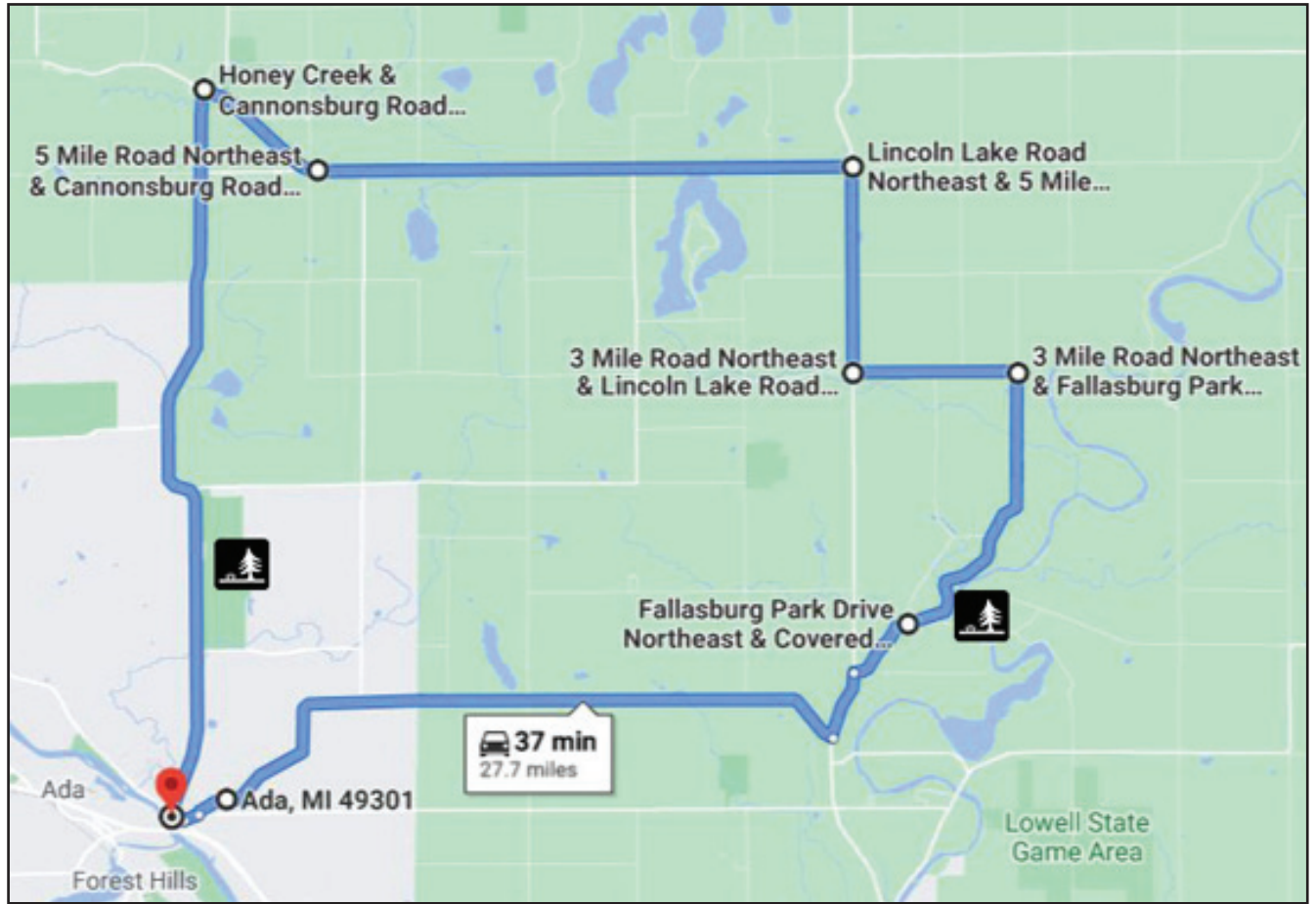
The Kent County Road Commission kicked off the countdown to fall by introducing the first route of its annual color tour. Every week through Oct. 12 (the estimated peak date for fall colors in Kent County) a new route will be introduced.

The first route of the 2020 color tour will bring you and your passengers down the tree-lined roads northwest of Lowell, and includes two county parks: Seidman Park and Fallasburg Park. The route can be downloaded from [kentcountyroads.com](http://kentcountyroads.com).

Last year's color tour encompassed over 240 miles, divided into nine routes that guided motorists, cyclists and

other travelers along roads showcasing picturesque seasonal scenes. This year's routes are being adjusted to avoid active work zones and show off recently improved corridors. These routes are intended to either be driven individually for shorter trips or connected for longer outings.

"The color tour is something the road commission began producing in the 1950s," said Steve Warren, KCRC's managing director. "We revived it in 2016 because fall is the perfect time to travel our road network. The individual routes give residents a chance to explore areas they never



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may have seen before and enjoy beautiful vistas throughout Kent County." To offer convenient rest stops, each color tour route identifies nearby county and township parks, each boasting unique scenic views and recreational opportunities.

As always, KCRC cautions drivers to stay

alert and keep their eyes on the road.

KCRC encourages community members and Kent County visitors to post their favorite photos and tag @mikercr on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter. Remember to use the hashtag #LoveFallRoads.



The first route on the 2020 color tour will take drivers through picturesque Fallasburg Park, not far outside of Lowell.



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