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YMCA announces naming of Litehouse Family YMCA in Lowell Just \$200,000 remains for renovation goal

The Lowell YMCA announced the investment of local employer Litehouse, Inc. toward naming the future Litehouse Family YMCA at the former site of the Impact Church.

“Since Litehouse first planted its roots as a company in 1963 we have been committed to having a positive impact on the communities where our employees live and work,” said Litehouse President and CEO Kelly Prior.

“We value the importance of education and youth skills development to enhance future generations of leaders, inspiring, developing and nurturing the potential of our communities’ children. In this spirit we are extremely excited to have the opportunity to partner with the YMCA and expand our impact.”

Along with the partnership

with the YMCA in Lowell, Litehouse has a similar partnership with the YMCA located in Sandpoint, Idaho, the town where the company was founded.

While the capital campaign began a targeted launch during the COVID-19 pandemic of the past year, connecting with key supporters and local employers resulted in more than \$400,000 raised.

With less than \$200,000 remaining in the capital campaign to begin building renovations and preparation for critical member service, the capital campaign continues to engage with supporters throughout the area. Reaching the financial goal of the campaign with gifts of all sizes will launch construction of the project as soon as this fall with a targeted opening date of January 2022.



Artist's representation of the new YMCA.

“It’s powerful to unite with community partners like Litehouse, Inc. over shared values and service as we build upon a longstanding legacy of youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility,” said Scott Lewis, President/CEO of the YMCA of Greater Grand Rapids.

“Collaborations and contributions from community members are what make the Y and Lowell such integral spaces for healthy habits and healthy relationships.”

The plans for the new Y include tripling the square footage of the current facility to more than 17,000 square feet, adding comprehensive health and wellness equipment, and including programming for all ages.

Facility amenities include group exercise studios, a health and wellness center, KidZone and activity center, community rooms, locker rooms, chapel, and welcome area for community gathering. Select naming opportunities still remain.

To learn more about how you can support the final stretch of this campaign, visit www.grymca.org/lowell.

For more than 60 years, the Lowell YMCA has been central to building a strong and integrated community that cares for people. Working in collaboration and partnership with many others, the Lowell YMCA has served Lowell and the surrounding communities through programs and services that strengthen the spirit, mind, and body of all.

Shelby Tomczak-Offrink memorial bench installed at Wittenbach Wege Center



Maeve (age 10) and Hazel (age 7) were four years old and 18 months old when their mother Shelby Tomczak-Offrink passed away from cancer at age 31 on June 28, 2015. [photo submitted by Kathy Tomczak]

by Tim McAllister lead reporter

When a huge oak tree on their property suddenly toppled over after a heavy wind storm, the family of the late Shelby Tomczak-Offrink (LHS '02) seized the opportunity to honor her in a creative, functional way.

“We live on five acres of mostly oak trees, and over the past several years we’ve had some straight winds and we had a tornado, it’s just crazy to even think of,” said Kathy Tomczak, Shelby’s mother. “We have a lot of downed trees, and we had a huge, huge oak that went down a couple of years ago. My son-in-law Ben Offrink has had cancer three times and is now a stay-at-home dad. For a hobby, he does woodworking. He took this humongous tree, just a huge slab of wood, probably about seven and a half feet long, and he made it into a beautiful bench.”

Last week, the results of that project were installed at the Wittenbach Wege Center, a gorgeous, handmade oak bench.

“It was supposed to be

for the five year anniversary last year,” Tomczak said. “But with the girls around at home so much during the pandemic, Ben couldn’t spend as much time working on it as he might have. Once the girls could be in and out of school and stuff, he was able to do more, so it ended up being completed this year, and it turned out so beautiful. It’s just so perfect for up at the Wittenbach Wege Center with that rustic look. It’s not your typical bench! It’s just beautiful.”

It was originally intended to be an outdoor piece, but instead they decided to place it in the WWC’s lobby.

“It was ready to go outside, but Courtney Cheers, who runs the center, said she had the perfect place for it inside,” Tomczak said. “So now it’s right there to your left when you walk in the main entrance. Courtney was super excited about it, and it made us feel really good.

Shelby Tomczak-Offrink passed away in 2015 at age

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“Wild Mustang Masters” at the Michigan Horse Driving School in Saranac

by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

The Michigan Horse Driving School is a non-profit organization based in Saranac.

Horse driving is attaching a cart to a horse and riding in the cart while controlling the animal’s movements. Students also learn basic horse maintenance, horse grooming and horse jumping.

The program was originally run out of the Franciscan Life Center for several years, but a change in staffing there required the horse trainer Jennifer Groters to move their

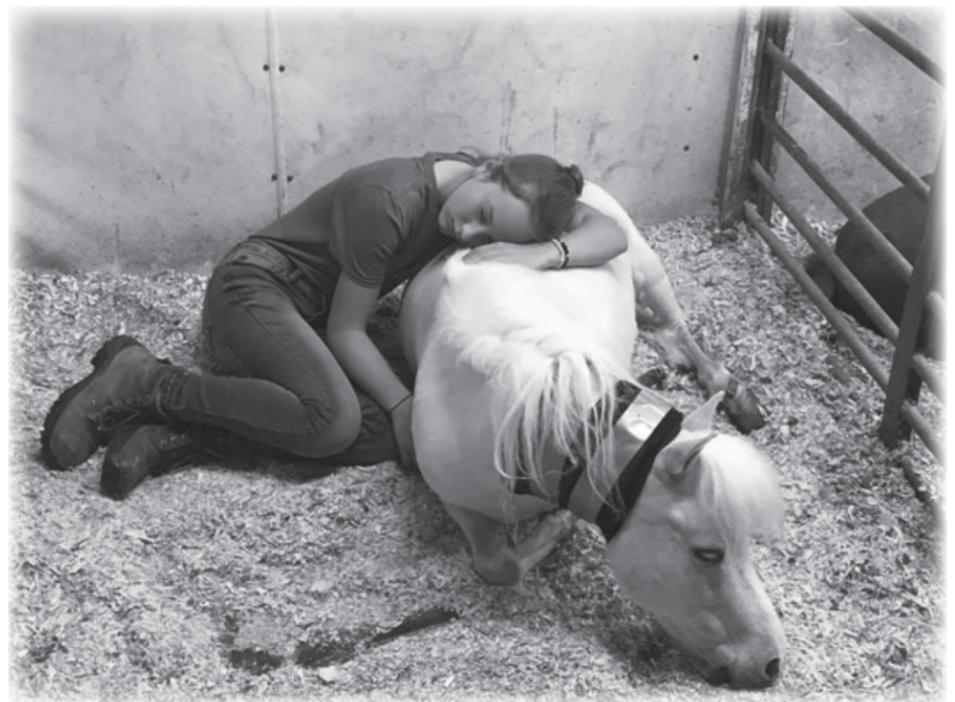
operation.

“Sister Anne Francis over at the Franciscan Life Process Center, whose horses I trained, wanted to run a program for kids, so we started one,” Groters said. “It ran for six years there, then she got transferred to Connecticut and the sisters didn’t want to continue the program. I’ve continued the program, and now we’re in Saranac.”

Groters has been a professional horse trainer for several decades. While this program is specifically designed for kids people

with special needs of all ages, the school also teaches horse driving to adults.

“We teach anybody who wants to learn how to drive, because we’re a complete driving school, but the kids program is where we set our heart,” Groters said. “We have two sessions of classes that run Monday through Friday and they’re from 10 am to 2:30 pm or from 4 pm to 8 pm. We have kids, basically from ages eight to 18 - although we can take them as young as six depending on the kid, and as old as whatever! We run special needs classes for any age, I don’t care what age they are. And we do private lessons for everybody, including adults. We do summer camps specifically for the special needs group, and we do summer camps for adults too sometimes, in the evenings. During the school year we have what’s called ‘Horse Club’ on Saturdays, so the kids who are not Wild Mustang Masters are there from 9:30 am to noon, then the Wild Mustang Masters are there from 12:30 to three, but probably half the morning kids stick around because they enjoy working with the other kids, having a great time and getting the horses ready. Everybody has such great camaraderie. Usually every summer we have around 50 to 57 participants.



“This child has been working with this horse for the last three years,” said horse trainer Jennifer Groters. “She personally trained it. She was so tired the other day, she went in there to talk to him and she just zonked out!”
[photos provided by Jennifer Groters]



Our camps are limited in number, so we usually only have five to eight in each.”

The “Wild Mustang Masters” referred to above is the nickname the school’s gang of special needs students made up for themselves.

“I don’t really like the term ‘special needs,’ so I went to the kids and I said, ‘Do you guys want to come up with your own club name,’ Groters said. “‘Yes!’ The word ‘mustang’ was great, so we got that in there.

Then they were like, ‘Well, we’re masters at this!’ So I said, ‘You want to be the Mustang Masters?’ One kid spoke up and said, ‘Yeah, but we’re wild!’ So now they’re the Wild Mustang Masters, and they are the best. It is a gift to be able to help mold a child in a positive way. They might not get that everywhere, you know? We have in our program some children who have been very physically abused and mistreated in their lives. This brings normalcy and tenderness back. I have some kids who won’t relate to anybody, and then you put them with a horse that’s got a lot of anxiety, and something draws them out. There are healing horses and there are non-healing horses. If I know I’ve got a kid that’s got extra big problems, I don’t put them with a horse that’s also anxious, I put them with a horse that’s going to bring it down.”

The program is constantly evolving, and Groters said she often integrates suggestions from the students into the curriculum.

“A lot of it is kid-driven,” Groters said. “I’ll take any idea they have and, ‘Let’s see how we do!’ As long as we’re safe, we’re good. We clip the horses over year because the minis get a big, long hair coat, and their hair is really soft. So when we bathed them and we clipped all the hair this year, they decided to save it. This fall, they’re going to make Christmas presents for each other. It’s a kid-driven experiment. They’re going to make pillows with the horse’s name on it and stuff them with the actual horse’s hair. So that is the plan, we’ll see how it goes.”

For more information, visit the Michigan Horse Driving School page on Facebook, send a message to mihorsedriving@gmail.com or call 616-522-2450.



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, June 14, 2021, at 7:00 PM. The subject of the hearing will be a text amendment to the City of Lowell Zoning Ordinance.

The City of Lowell has initiated an amendment to Section 17.04 FF(5)(b) of the City’s Zoning Ordinance. The regulatory effect of the proposed zoning amendment is to prohibit the establishment of any adult-use marijuana facility on properties located east of the Flat River. The remainder of the section would remain unaffected.

Add advisory pertaining to electronic meeting pursuant to applicable emergency orders if necessary.

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.



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Shelby Tomczak-Offrink, continued

31 from a rare cancer called glioblastoma of the spine, leaving behind her husband and two young daughters.

“It’s a very, very rare cancer, and it was stage four from the get-go,” Tomczak said. “Even though she had treatment, eventually it ended up going up her spine to her brain. It’s a very awful, almost a jelly kind of thing, and once it’s in your brain or your spine... She survived for a year before that happened. Ben, six months into her diagnosis, found out that he also had cancer. He’s now a single

dad, raising his two beautiful daughters in Caledonia.”

Another way the family recently honored their departed loved one was through the scholarship they set up for Lowell High School students.

“Last week at Senior Night we gave money away to LHS senior Emma Hollern in Shelby’s name through the Shelby Tomczak-Offrink scholarship,” Tomczak said. “We give \$1,000 to a senior every year, and this was the sixth time we’ve been able to do it. It’s a nice scholarship, we’re really happy. They

don’t have to be a 4.0 person, just an outstanding character who is well-rounded. We also want the money to stay in-state, and that’s worked out really well. For example, Emma Hollern is going to Michigan State. With the scholarship, we try to emulate my daughter to a certain extent. She was a well-rounded person. She was super outgoing, super involved, and was salutatorian of her class at Lowell High School. She worked part time in Japan, and by the time we lost her, she had literally traveled all over the world for her job.”

LPD Det. Lauren finishes command course

by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

The Lowell Police Department announced last week that LPD Det. Gordy Lauren has graduated from the Shield Leadership Institute’s “Command Level 1” course.

Lauren began taking the course in fall of 2019, but was delayed in his progress due to the pandemic. Normally, it would consist of 80 hours spread over five months, and includes 60 classroom hours and 20 hours of online/computer work.

“The Command Level 1 course is designed for the front line police supervisor,” said LPD chief Christopher Hurst in a press release. “The course is geared toward those officers who are, or who will potentially be promoted to a junior supervisory position. The course of study included leadership skills, officer wellness, decision making, conflict management, performance evaluations, coaching and mentoring, implicit bias/diversity and risk management, among other topics.”

Det. Lauren was also required to complete a project paper and presentation, which he aced.

“Det. Lauren chose the topic of officer mental wellness,” Hurst said. “Det. Lauren received 100 out of 100 on his project with a nice review from his instructors. We congratulate Det. Lauren on his hard work and his dedication to our profession, our department and, most importantly, to our city.”



LPD Det. Gordy Lauren

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Interested applicants should complete our application form on our website lowell-light.org and email along with resume to customerservice@lowell-light.org or send to Lowell Light & Power, PO Box 229, Lowell, MI 49331, no later than May 28, 2021.



Close up of Ben Offrink’s handmade oak bench, a functional memorial to his late wife, that has been installed at the WWC. [photo submitted by Kathy Tomczak]



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Lowell Area Farmers' Market opens June 17

by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

The Lowell Area Farmers' Market will open its season at 10 am on Thursday, June 17. Like last year, the market will be located in the parking lot of Impact Church, 11840 Fulton (directly across the street from Meijer).

"The market will remain at Impact Church parking lot, with a small change," said Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce executive director Liz Baker. "We are moving to the front of the Impact lot this year. We are optimistic that the market will be more visible as people are traveling down M-21."

Each week there will be fresh, organic products such as vegetables, fruits, honey, maple syrup, cheese, breads, eggs, meats, pet foods, hygiene products, plants, crafts and plenty more available.

Specific vendors this year will include All Natural Promises, Hippiefluent, Cora's Teahouse, Sandy's Fudge and Wabasis Creek Farms.

"We do have a few new vendors," Baker said. "We have room for more vendors. If they are interested, they should call market master Cinnamin Piggott at 616-916-9193. They can



also visit our website for applications and rules." The market will be open from 10 am until 3 pm every Thursday through Sept. 9.

For more information, including the current list of vendors, visit discoverlowell.org/farmers-market/ or call 616-897-9161.

"Nothing makes you think

of summer, the goodness of freshly-harvested produce and the enjoyment of viewing and shopping for unique items in an outdoor atmosphere more than a farmers market," Baker said. "The Lowell Area Farmers' Market will be a visible indication of the support we give our local farmers and specialty retailers."

Lowell Showboat Garden Club: local contestants receive top honors



Deidra Uzarski (left) and Grace Sweeney (right).

The Lowell Showboat Garden Club organized a local Woodsy Owl 50th Birthday poster contest.

The club was pleased to award a first-place finish to third grader, Grace Sweeney, and fourth grader, Deidra Uzarski. Their posters best exemplified the ironic character's role of protecting the environment and teaching good conservation principles. Both winning posters were judged at a District level competing against 15 other garden clubs' first-place finishers. LSGC is pleased

to announce that both Grace Sweeney and Deidra Uzarski's entries placed first in District IV. Both received a certificate and \$25 in their respective grades. The winning posters were then judged at a statewide level by the Michigan Garden Clubs, Inc., and Grace Sweeney's poster took top honors for all third grade entries. For this, Grace received a certificate and a \$50 cash award. Grace's poster moves on to the National Garden Clubs' Central Region to be judged. This year's Woodsy

Owl 50th Birthday poster contest was sponsored by the National Garden Clubs, Inc. and US Department of Agriculture. Woodsy Owl has been associated with the well-known conservation slogans "Give a Hoot-Don't Pollute" and "Lend a Hand-Care for the Land".

LSGC would like to congratulate both Grace and Deidra and wish Grace all the best in future judging of her poster. Next year the poster contest will return to a Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl theme for students in grades first through fifth.

viewpoint

to the editor

Dear Editor, Memorial Day Changes in Lowell for 2021

Due to COVID-19, there are changes in this year's May 31, 2021, Lowell Memorial Day Activities. First of all, there will be NO PARADE and there will be no music at the Oakwood Cemetery Service that has been traditionally provided

by the Lowell High School and Lowell Middle School bands and the Lowell High School Orchestra.

However, we will, as always, be honoring our local Veterans who have passed on since Memorial Day 2020. The names of each Veteran will be read with their branch of service,

followed by the sound of a bell echoing across the seven hundred graves already marked with American flags of fellow veterans from previous years. You will experience the traditional rifle salute fired at the conclusion of the names, followed by the haunting sound of TAPS, honoring our departed Veterans. We hope you and your family will join us as we pay our final respects to those brave Veterans from the Lowell area who have left us since last Memorial Day.

Please consider taking a

few minutes next Monday morning to join us as we say thank you to these Veterans and their families for their service and sacrifices to our great nation.

The program will begin at the Civil War Memorial in the Oakwood Cemetery promptly at 10:00 AM, this Monday, 31 MAY 2021.

*Thank you,
Dave Thompson
Commander, US Navy
retired
A Past Post Commander
of the Lowell American
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outdoors

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Dave Stegehuis

The state of Michigan offers residents and visitors a large number of opportunities for outdoor recreation. Surrounded by four Great Lakes, dotted with inland lakes, and laced with streams and rivers, Michigan draws boaters, water sports enthusiasts, and fishermen out on the water. Millions of acres of fields and forests are home to wildlife to be observed and hunted. Miles of trails provide passage for hikers, bikers, and motorsport riders. These natural resources have always been appreciated, but the last year has seen a big increase in the number of people discovering the value of outdoor recreation.

Watercraft, fishing equipment, firearm, recreational vehicle, off road vehicle, and bicycle sales have set new records. This means that a lot of folks are getting into the game for the first time or may have returned after a long absence. Most of these activities require a certain level of knowledge to safely enjoy the experience. In our modern culture, we are accustomed to being protected from harm by laws and regulations which strictly control the environment in which we routinely operate. When out on the water or in the backcountry mother

nature makes the rules and there is no one around to supervise our behavior. It is the responsibility of the individual to use common sense and make thoughtful decisions.

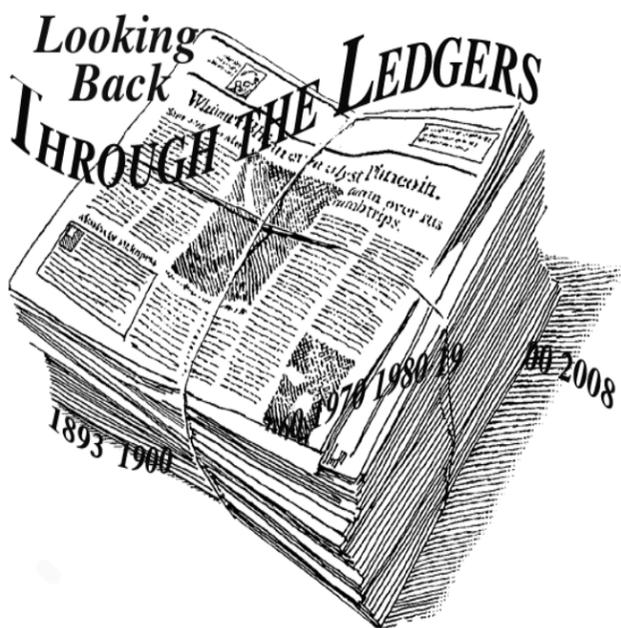
Watercraft, from kayaks to large power boats, can be dangerous if carelessly operated. Water itself presents a hazard. Firearms require special attention to be safely used and stored. Off road riders must be alert to danger on the trails. Cyclists and hikers need to be aware of potential problems.

Because we are on our own when recreating in the outdoors, we must take the time and effort to learn how to avoid trouble. Newcomers especially need to make sure they are prepared for their new adventure. For example, there are classes for boating, off road vehicle, and firearm safety. Advice from experienced participants is also helpful. Education is available through print and electronic media. Proper training can help to avoid problems and possibly save a life.

Life on any level is not risk free, but we can reduce risk by being aware and making good decisions. Enjoying the great outdoors safely brings even more satisfaction to the experience.

routes have been split and some patrons will now be served by a different carrier.

Mrs. Carl (Arlene) Claus, Lowell Junior High School teacher, will put away the pencil and chalk this June after a total of 27 years in the teaching profession.



125 years ago Lowell Ledger May 29, 1896

Alva E. Shepard, a jeweler, on Thursday night murdered his cousin, Mrs. L. E. Awney, and then cut his own throat. The woman was addicted to the use of morphine and it is believed from a note left by Sheppard that he considered it his duty to kill Mrs. Awney. Sheppard was a devout spiritualist and it is said religious ardor had impaired his mind.

Anton Funke, who jumped into a large cooling vat full of beer at the Haas brewery on Monday, died Saturday morning from the effects of his bath.

Lieut. Luther B. Baker, who, as an officer in the government detective service, had charge of the party which captured J. Wilkes Booth, the assassin of President Lincoln, died here Saturday, aged 66 years. Lieut. Baker was the first to strike Booth's trail as he crossed the Rappahannock. He demanded the assassin's surrender at the barn and was the only person who conversed with Booth before the barn was fired. He was also the first person to reach Booth after Corbett shot him and received his dying message to his mother.

100 years ago The Lowell Ledger June 2, 1921

Sprinkling hours are from 6:00 to 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. All sprinkling must stop if the fire bell rings. The need of fire protection makes these regulations necessary and failure to observe either will mean that the water will be turned off and charge of \$2.00 made for turning it on again.

A suit brought by the Mary Free Bed guild of Grand Rapids against Mary Garden, opera star, for failure to keep a personally signed contract to sing here last March 17 has been settled by receipt of a check for \$1,500 from George M. Spangler, business manager of the Chicago Opera association of which Miss Garden is director.

Mrs. Alex Trusowski has appealed to the police to locate her son, Raymond, 15, who disappeared after his cigarette smoking caused the arrest of Alexander Mallick, a grocer, charged with selling fags to the boy.

75 years The Lowell Ledger May 30, 1946

Mrs. Anna Mae Roth, former English teacher in Lowell high school, arrived safely in Kodai Kanal, India, on May 23, according to word received here Monday by Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Roth. A cablegram announcing Mrs. Roth's arrival in India was received by the Board of Foreign Missions, New York City, who in turn notified relatives. Mrs. Roth's long journey from Lowell to India began almost six months ago. Her many friends here will rejoice to learn that she has reached the end of her journey safely.

Over at the Ionia county airport the veterans Flight Training program has been successfully underway for the past two weeks with approximately forty vets flying towards their Private Pilots license. Many have signed up to continue on to a commercial license, since in most cases the education fund is sufficient enough to amass the required hours for flying and ground school.

Hearing a disturbance in the chicken yard last Sunday morning, Tom Read discovered that two dogs were killing his chickens, six being killed outright and several wounded, making it necessary to dispose of his entire flock of 300 laying hens. One of the dogs was killed and the other one was wounded.

50 years The Lowell Ledger June 3, 1971

The Island Park renovators will be back at it again this Saturday, June 5, when they will embark on the island to rid it of its unwanted elements. Chuck Lippert, Vince McCambridge, Larry Wittenbach, and Carlen Anderson, the four promoters to transform the Island back to a park-picnic area, along with volunteer help will meet on the island at 3:30 Saturday.

Effective June 12, the Lowell Post Office will be serving four rural routes. Earlier this year, the rural patrons were notified that there would be a change in their address, ie: from box and route number to street and number. This will be mandatory on June 12, as the

25 years The Lowell Ledger May 29, 1996

"It's been like skipping numbers 1-10 in the instructions manual," explains Lowell choir director Paul Balaam. The director for the past 27 years was reflecting on what is has been like to be the director and private teacher for Dianna Rice. "Even as a seventh-grader Dianna's voice maturity and depth were far above what is normally reached," Balaam said.

The emotions of the Lowell softball team were worn in their hearts, but visible in the eyes as they received the runner-up trophy for the inaugural Amanda Tichelaar Memorial Softball Tournament, "It was a very emotional tournament for the girls," said Lowell softball coach Bob Rodenhouse. "They played this for Mandy."

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- Laparoscopic cholecystectomy

Bile is fluid made by the liver and released into the small intestine to help digestion. In some people, stones may form in the gallbladder. In the U.S., more than six million men and 14 million women have had gallstone disease, with higher rates in Native Americans and Hispanic Americans. A small portion of people with gallstones may experience occasional abdominal pain, nausea and vomiting, often after meals.

Gallstones do not need to be treated if they are not causing problems. People who are being bothered by the stones are treated with surgical removal of the gallbladder, known as cholecystectomy. Laparoscopic cholecystectomy is

performed through four small incisions with use of a camera to visualize the inside of the abdomen and long tools to remove the gallbladder. Surgery is done under anesthesia and patients are asleep throughout the entire procedure.

Most patients go home on the day of or the day after surgery. Mild to moderate pain is common for a few days and can be managed with pain medications. Dressings on the incisions can typically be removed the day after surgery, at which time patients can resume regular showering. A few people may experience diarrhea after cholecystectomy, which goes away after a few weeks or months in most people.

ABC's of Lowell history

submitted by the Lowell Area Historical Museum

The ABC's of Lowell History was introduced last year as a way to share some of the many fascinating stories from Lowell's past. It was initiated in part by the pandemic shutdown which led the Museum to seek alternative ways to share local history with the community. The series will continue with a third round of the alphabet.

G is for Goodsell

The Goodsell name was once well known in the Lowell area. While there are many stories in the family to be told, this sketch will feature John O. Goodsell and two of his sons, Joseph and Clark William Goodsell.

John Orton Goodsell - born in 1803 in New York, was the ninth child of Jacob and Elizabeth Goodsell. Two of John's older brothers were in the War of 1812. As Jacob was a gunsmith, he supplied the guns for the company. When John moved to Michigan, he purchased land from the government and settled his family on 190 acres north of Lowell, on the hill overlooking the Fallasburg Village. John was a farmer, carriage maker, licensed preacher, school director, Justice of the Peace and a County Commissioner. He earned a biographical sketch in Chapman's 1881 'History of Kent County' book. John lived the rest of his life on his land, and when he died in 1889 he was buried in a private cemetery on his property, where he had buried two wives and several daughters.

Joseph B. Goodsell was the son of John and Matilda (Nash) Goodsell. When he married his wife Mary Davis, it was at the Walker Tavern on what is now Vergennes Street, near Alden Nash. He worked in Lowell as a dentist in the 1890s, later moving to Lake Odessa. While living in Lowell, his son Joseph Byron Goodsell fell into the Flat River off the bridge over today's Main Street. He was rescued thanks to the quick action of Rudolph Vandyke, making it his sixth rescue of those in peril in the river!

The adventurer of the family was Clark William Goodsell. Called many things, C. W., W. C., and "Buckskin Billy", he was the son of John and second wife Lorena. When the Post Office on Main Street was being built, he had part of an index finger severed. He bragged that part of his finger was left beneath the pile driver as they were installing the underpinning of the building. He also boasted of twenty seven scars from near mortal wounds on his body. While his wild and crazy adventures thrilled newspaper readers as he described them, such as narrowly escaping being drowned during a logging drive on the Grand River, he also left written accounts important to historians. The John Goodsell home where he was born was on Beckwith, up on the hill, overlooking the Fallasburg Village. The now decommissioned part of Beckwith went down the hill east of the Goodsell home,



Clare Goodsell, son of Joseph Goodsell. Photo courtesy of the Fallasburg Historical Society.

and came out right at the covered bridge. In a letter he describes the building of the bridge, including that Jared Brasee was a Frenchman. Though he moved away, he continued to regale and entertain Lowell residents with his stories on his frequent visits.

Early members of the family who died were buried on the family farm in a private cemetery. The location was known and the cemetery was cared for. Sometime in the 1970's the cemetery was cleaned up and

cared for, but then vandals broke most or all of the stones. Today only a general location is known and it appears to be surrounded by private property.

Today there are known descendants as close as Ada. Though the family appears to be gone from the immediate area, the Lowell Community can be grateful for the contribution that the Goodsell family has made, from business to civics, and especially to the preservation of the local history they experienced.

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Denner family band to perform at Evergreen church



by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

The John and Kate Denner family band will perform a free live concert at Evergreen Missionary Church, 10501 Settlewood Dr., on Sunday, June 6 at 11

am. “This will be a family-friendly concert and kids will stay in the auditorium with the adults,” said Evergreen pastor Doug

Connelly. “We think it will be a great family worship experience, and fun too!” The group consists of John and Kate Denner and their children, Brynlee,

Alayna and Piper, ages eight, seven and five.

John Denner began playing piano at age three and started playing in church when he was eight. His experience includes stints with the Flint Youth Philharmonic and the Burton, MI singing quartet the Harmonaires.

Kate Denner started taking music lessons when she was six and, incredibly gifted, she was already taking college-level music classes at age 14 and directed three full-production musicals before she turned 21.

“A typical performance would include piano playing, singing, vocals, kids, humor, stories, testimony and a message, all packaged in one big format,” Kate Denner said. “You will see ukuleles, piano, bass guitar all played throughout the service.”

“Their typical set is one hour,” said Debbie Denner, the group’s manager. “John plays the piano and sings. During this time, he also gives a powerful personal testimony with reference to Bible verses. John is known for adding a bit of humor to this as well. Katie sings

and she gives her personal testimony. Brynlee, Alayna and Piper and sing a few songs with John and Kate and they also play their ukuleles during this time. Brynlee also plays a couple songs with John and Kate on her bass.”

The family band began when the family consisted of only John and Kate. Today they perform constantly all over the US, mostly in the Midwest and South.

“This started a decade ago in full-time ministry,” Kate Denner said. “It grew and reached its peak in 2019 with 302 services across most of the country while traveling 55,000 miles.

A passion to encourage, energize and evangelize people keeps us going.”

The concert is free, but the church will take up a collection to cover the Denner family’s expenses. For more information about the group, visit johnandkatemusic.com.

“The Denners have performed in Lowell before, though it has been a while,” said Kate Denner “We have definitely visited this area before. It’s beautiful, serene, scenic and lovely. Would recommend.”

For more information about the concert, contact pastor Doug Connelly at 586-703-5402 or dconn17@charter.net.

Lawmakers could dock pay of absentee members under measure

Legislators who miss an excessive number of session days or have been suspended due to an ethical issue could have their pay docked under a constitutional amendment that moved out of a House committee Tuesday.

House Minority Leader Donna Lasinski’s (D-Scio Twp.) HJR D addresses situations like former Rep. Bettie Cook Scott, who didn’t show her face on the House floor after the 2018 primary. Scott used a racial slur against her winning Senate primary opponent, a former House colleague. Rather than apologizing, Scott opted to disappear, but still collected a check.

Scott missed 599 votes in 2018, 57 percent of every vote cast that entire year, more than every other House member combined outside of one other lawmaker. The

speaker ended up taking over her constituent services department, but she couldn’t be punished otherwise.

Legislators make \$71,685 a year and receive annual expenses of up to \$10,800.

Under the provision, two-thirds of all members elected and serving in the chamber in question need to support the resolution to strip the legislator’s pay.

Also, under HJR D, the House would need to conduct record roll votes on giving bills immediate effect, ending the practice by the majority party to simply gavel through immediate effect on a highly subjective voice vote.

The House Elections and Ethics Committee moved the measure unanimously. It also moved a pair of bills that expands the staff members within the legislative and executive

branch who are considered lobby-able government officials.

Lobbyists would need to report lunch with policy directors, policy advisors or anyone else employed in an office other than someone in a clerical or nonpolicy-making decision role under Rep. Bronna Kahle’s (R-Adrian) HB 4690, which also moved on a unanimous vote.

The other bill to get 7-0 support was Rep. Terry Sabo’s (D-Muskegon) HB

4691, which would bar lobbyists from serving as a civil appointee unless the appointing authority deems there’s no conflict of interest.

The only other measure to move was Rep. John Damoose’s (R-Harbor Springs) HCR 5, which reaffirms states’ rights to manage their own elections. The party-line vote stems from Congress’ attempt to establish federal baseline standards on the ability to vote.

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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, June 14, 2021, at 7:00 PM. The subject of the hearing will be:

746 & 728 W. Main Street SE – Betten Baker is requesting to rezone a portion of 746 W. Main Street SE from the R2 Single or Two Family Residential district to the C3 General Business zoning district and to rezone 728 W. Main Street SE from the I General Industrial district to the C3 General Business zoning district.

Betten Baker is also seeking special land use and site plan approval to redevelop 746 & 728 W. Main Street SE to upgrade the existing car dealership, which would include a new building and parking/display lot. Open-air businesses are permitted only by special land use from the Planning Commission in the C3 General Business district.

As a result of COVID – 19 and the current social distancing practices being mandated statewide, the meeting may be held via the Zoom Computer Teleconferencing System. Please visit our website at www.lowellmi.gov to verify how the meeting will be held.

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

Michigan Opioids Task Force releases annual report

The Michigan Opioids Task Force and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services have released the 2020 annual report that highlights the state's efforts to respond to the opioid crisis.

Highlighted initiatives include launching a statewide naloxone portal that has distributed over 100,000 kits containing the lifesaving overdose reversal medication. Another is starting a public media campaign focused on elevating the voices of Michiganders who have lived experiences to share the effect of opioids and increase awareness of harm reduction services. That campaign has gained national attention.

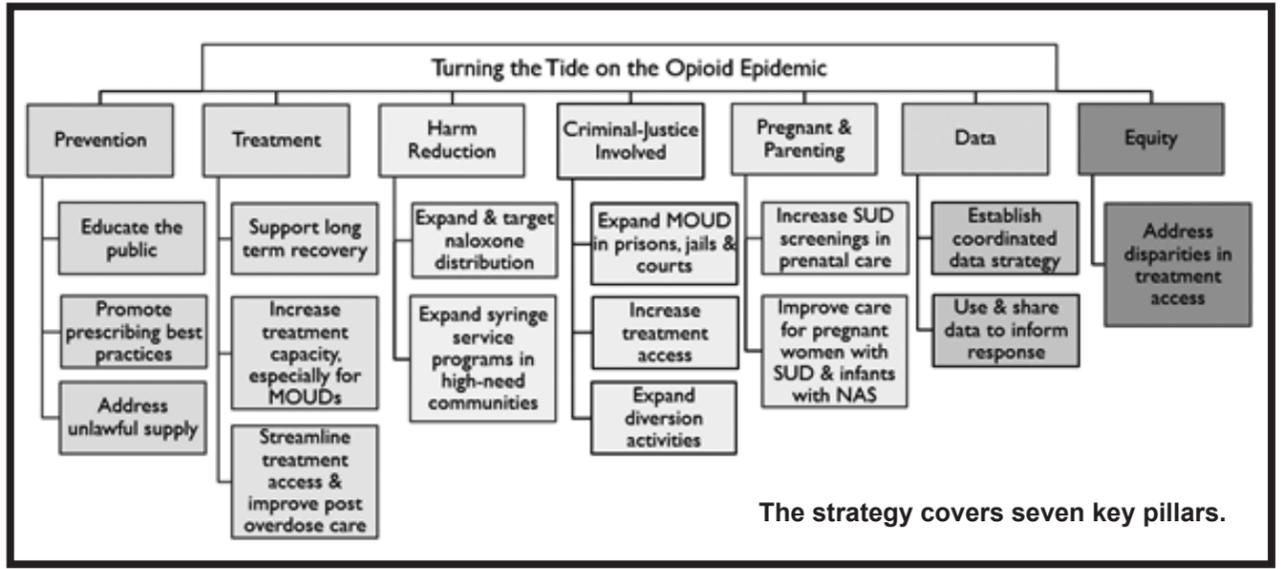
MDHHS also worked closely with the Michigan Opioid Partnership in 2020 to launch programs based in 17 hospital emergency departments to treat opioid use disorder with plans to expand statewide in 2021.

The 2020 Michigan Opioids Task Force Annual Report, which can be found on the Michigan Opioids Resource website, outlines progress by the group, which

was appointed by Gov. Gretchen Whitmer as part of a goal to reduce opioid overdose deaths in Michigan in half from 2020 to 2025.

"The Opioids Task Force has been working tirelessly to address the impacts of opioid use disorder, which has devastated the lives of so many Michiganders and harmed millions nationwide," Gov. Whitmer said. "We will not rest until we dramatically reduce opioid use disorder and overdose deaths and work to provide those suffering with the support they need. I appreciate everything that the task force has accomplished, and their annual report shows the progress we made by putting in place programs to combat the opioid epidemic. We still have a lot of work to do, but I know that our state-level efforts are making a meaningful difference in people's lives."

Dr. Joneigh Khaldun, chief medical executive and MDHHS chief deputy director for health, is chairing the task force. "As a practicing emergency department physician, I have seen first-hand the impact of opioid use disorders in



our communities," Khaldun said. "I am proud of the work of the task force that has continued to move forward even in the middle of a pandemic. The seven-pillar strategy adopted by the task force emphasizes prevention, treatment and equity and will help save lives."

MDHHS is working closely with the office of Attorney General Dana Nessel on litigation expected to help support Michigan's efforts to combat the opioid crisis over the next decade. In 2021, Michigan

is slated to receive a \$4 million dollar settlement from a multistate lawsuit brought against a maker of a common medication to treat opioid use disorder. The task force report includes key recommendations for long-term investments in the state of Michigan.

"While we've made progress in holding drug companies accountable for their role in the opioid epidemic, there's still more work to be done," Nessel said. "My office remains dedicated to helping Michigan families overcome

the damage done by this ongoing crisis and I affirm our commitment to this important task force."

In 2018 and 2019, Michigan saw a moderate decline in the number of opioid-related overdoses. In 2019, total drug overdose deaths – which includes opioids and unspecified substances – decreased by 9.4 percent and opioid-related deaths fell by 13.2 percent. In 2020, the challenges of the COVID-19 global pandemic, such as increased social isolation and decreased

access to treatment services, exacerbated the already deadly drug overdose epidemic. Provisional 2020 data shows an increase in total drug overdose deaths in Michigan.

The Michigan Opioids Task Force will continue its work in 2021 to further improve interagency coordination in the fight against the opioid epidemic, including a specific focus on reducing racial disparities.

For more information and resources, visit Michigan.gov/Opioids.

Senior Citizens of the Year recognized for service to their communities

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Aging & Adult Services Agency has presented its Senior Citizen of the Year Award to two older adults who have made significant contributions within their communities.

Dr. Brenda Surae Eaton of Lansing and Gloria Kovnot of Dimondale are this year's recipients.

"The Senior Citizen of the Year Award is an opportunity to lift up and celebrate the contributions of older Michiganders," said Dr. Alexis Travis, senior deputy director of the Aging & Adult Services Agency. "May is Older Americans Month, a time when we celebrate

the strength of older adults and the aging network, with special emphasis on the power of connection and engagement in building strong communities."

Eaton has volunteered in her community since retiring from Sparrow Health System in 2014. She volunteers with AARP Michigan, the Capitol Area Health Alliance, and her local food pantry. She is a member of Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, where she serves on its health ministry, and a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., where she is active on various committees. She chairs the Protect Michigan Commission seniors workgroup. Eaton was

nominated by AARP.

Kovnot is founding member of the Delta Township Senior Council and serves as council co-chair. She also serves on the Tri-County Office on Aging Advisory Council, the AARP Age-Friendly Task Force and the MSU AgeAlive! Board. In 2020 she was a member of a committee that worked to pass Ingham County's first senior millage request. Kovnot was nominated by the Tri County Office on Aging.

The Senior Citizen of the Year Award is a tradition dating back to 1974, celebrating older adults who have enhanced their communities through

their active engagement, volunteerism and acts of service. The award is presented annually at Older Michiganders Day and is sponsored by Consumers Energy.

MDHHS sought nominations from aging network partners including the state's area agencies on aging.

"Consumers Energy is committed to the Michigan communities we serve, and those communities are made even stronger by the contributions of Michigan residents like these award recipients who give their time and energy to benefit their neighbors and friends," said Brian Lewis, executive



Dr. Surae Eaton (left) and Gloria Kovnot (right).

director of customer operations for Consumers Energy. "By awarding two outstanding senior citizens of the year, we recognize their generosity and reinforce our shared belief that service is noble, rewarding and extremely valuable to the growth of our state its citizens."

Older Michiganders Day is organized by Area Agencies on Aging Association of Michigan, a statewide association that advocates on behalf of Michigan's older adults. The event traditionally takes place at the State Capitol. This year's event was virtual due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Judge rejects independent Antrim Co. election audit

An Antrim County judge Tuesday rejected a request for an "independent audit" of the November election results, granting summary disposition to Antrim County and the Michigan Secretary of State.

Kalamazoo County attorney Matthew DePerno, who represents the plaintiff William Bailey, commented on Twitter that, "Apparently the [Secretary of State] can conduct the audit in any way she determines even if

she is actively part of the fraud."

Bailey's suit alleged his rights were violated following the passage of an ordinance authorizing a marijuana retailer within Central Lake Village, but it morphed into a suit challenging the presidential election results as well.

Antrim had problems reporting unofficial results in the early morning hours after Election Day. Secretary of State Jocelyn

Benson and county officials have attributed the mishap to "human error," while former President Trump's supporters continue to shout it was election fraud.

Bailey and DePerno wanted Circuit Court Judge Kevin Elsenheimer to order an independent audit, but the judge said the legislature has given that authority to the Secretary of State.

Elsenheimer said there is no right for the independent audit Bailey sought.

"There is [...] evidence of an audit conducted," Elsenheimer said. "To be clear, that audit is not what the plaintiff would have liked. [...] However, it did occur and it appears to have been done so pursuant to authority set forth in [the statute]."

Benson, who Tuesday reiterated the security of the election, said "the dismissal of the last of the lawsuits attempting to undermine democracy in furtherance

of the 'Big Lie' affirms that despite intense scrutiny, and an unprecedented misinformation campaign, the 2020 election was fair and secure, and the results accurately reflect the will of the voters."

Attorney General Dana Nessel praised Tuesday's ruling, saying it "should be the nail in the coffin for any remaining conspiracy theories surrounding the outcome" of the election.

Elsenheimer noted that he isn't saying "there were no problems" in Antrim County's election, nor is he saying processing of data isn't corrupted because he doesn't have the information to make such a conclusion.

"If election results were to be held for ransom in the future one can only imagine what would happen," Elsenheimer said. "I am saying as pled the plaintiff's request for an audit is not available."



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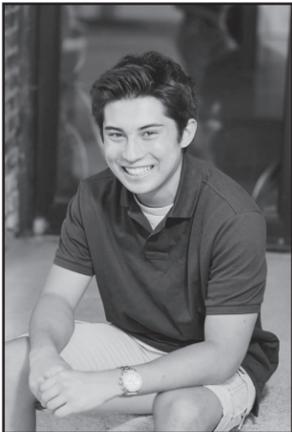
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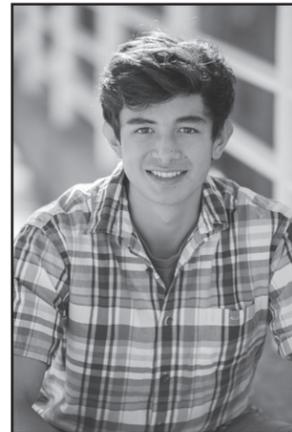


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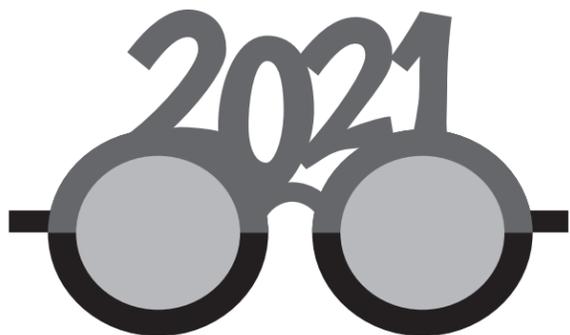
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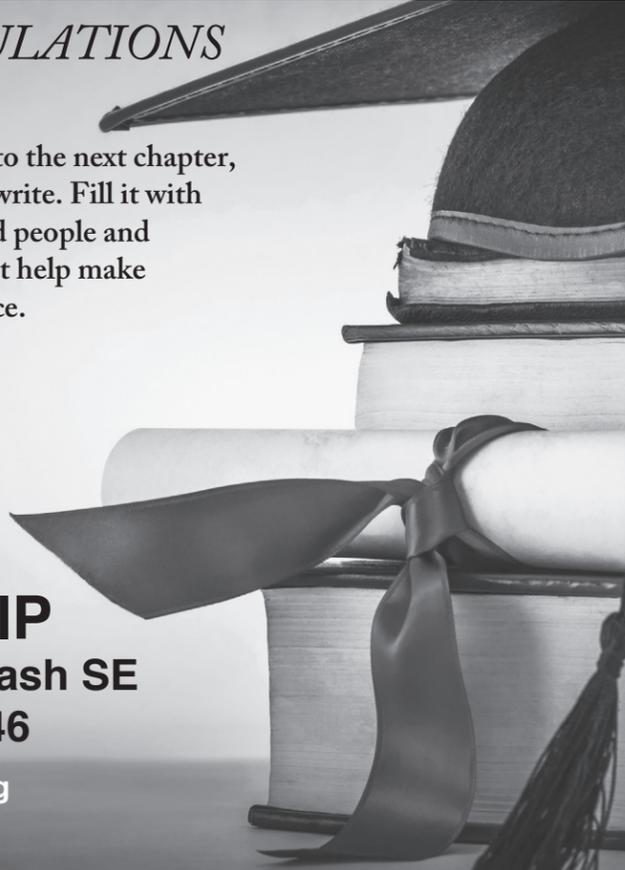
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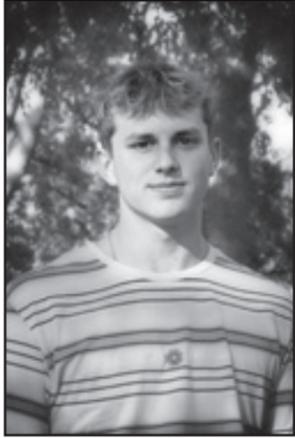
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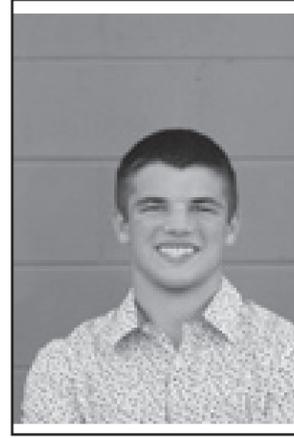
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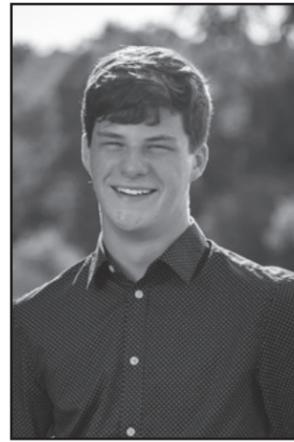
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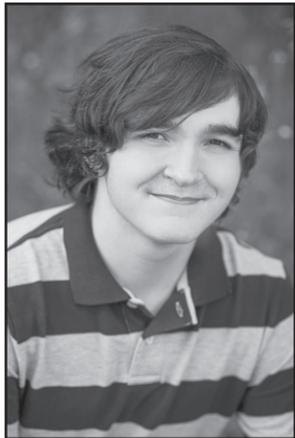
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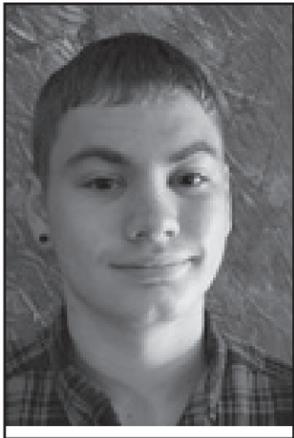




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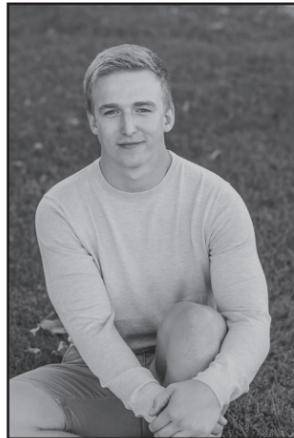
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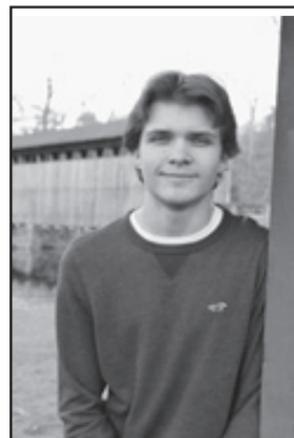
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Love you to the moon, Nana



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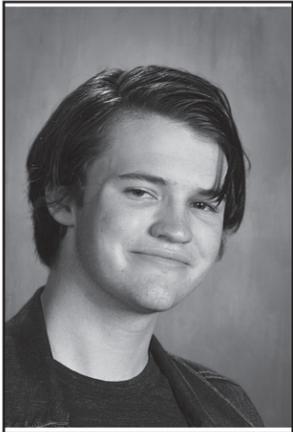
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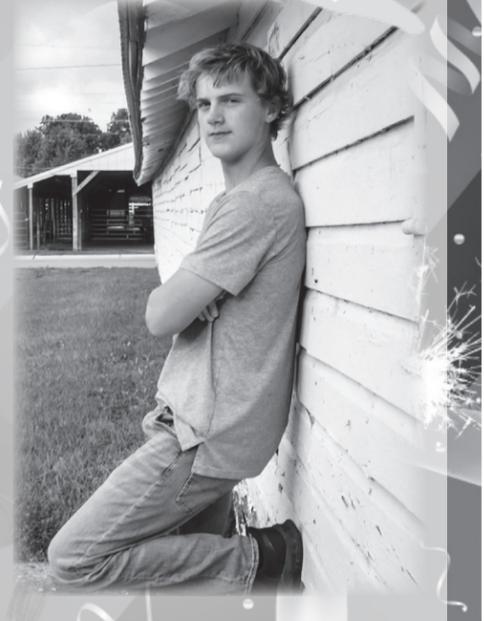
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Love you, Mom, Dad and Gavin





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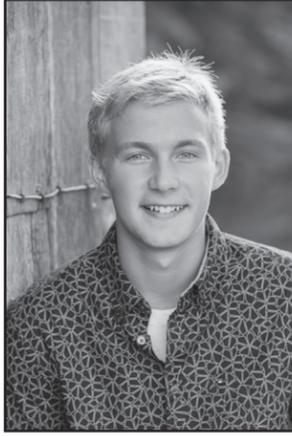
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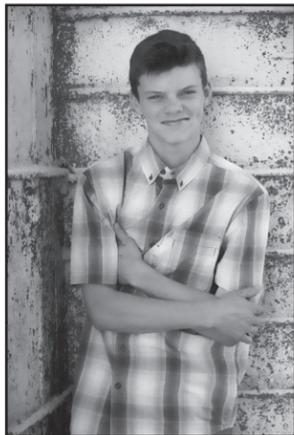
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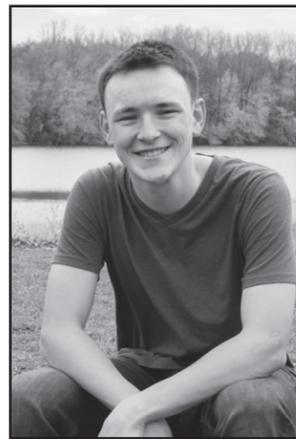
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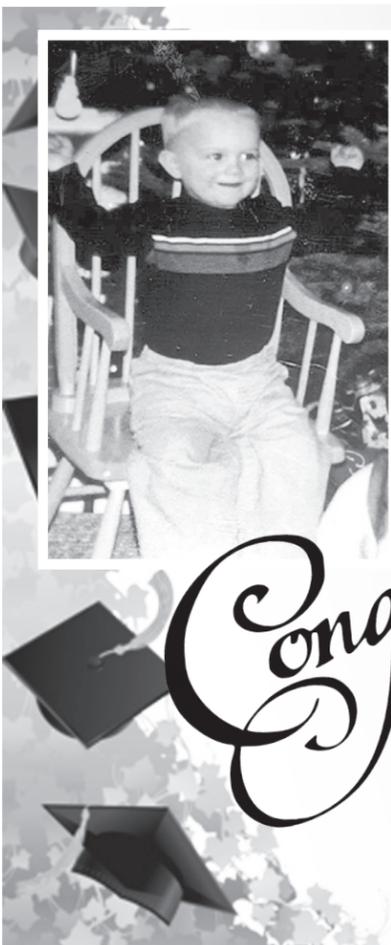
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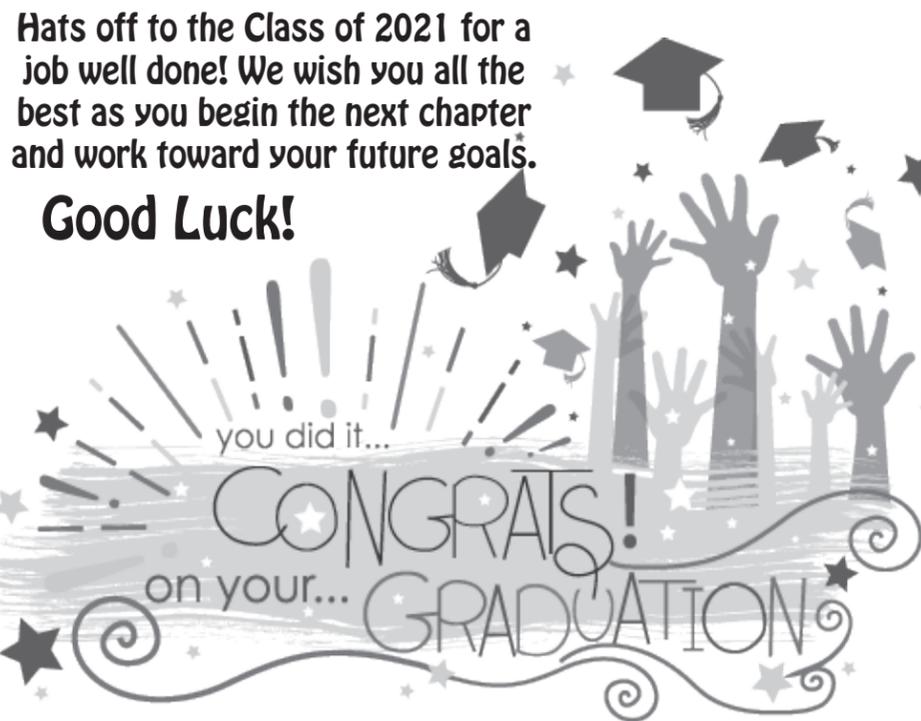
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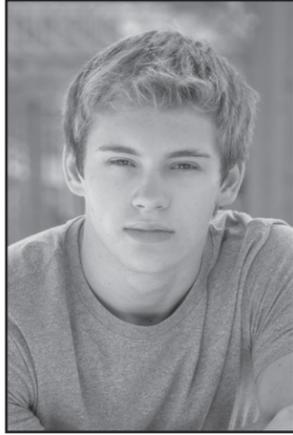
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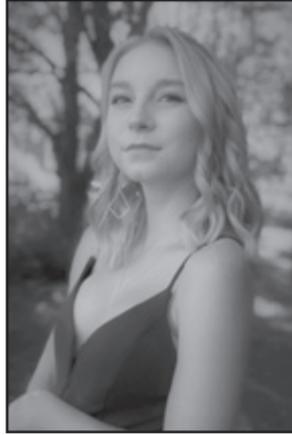
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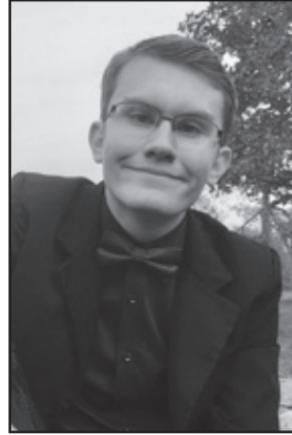
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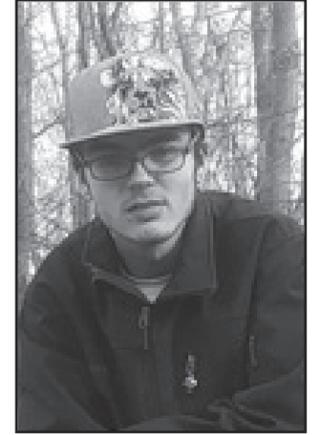
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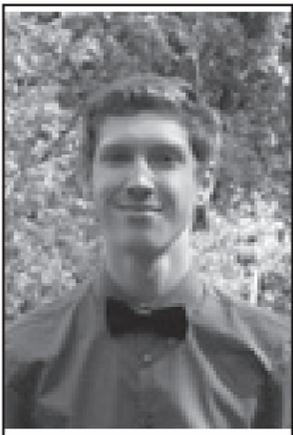
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Ethan
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We are so proud of you, you've grown up to be an amazing young man inside and out. We can't wait to see what your future holds for you.

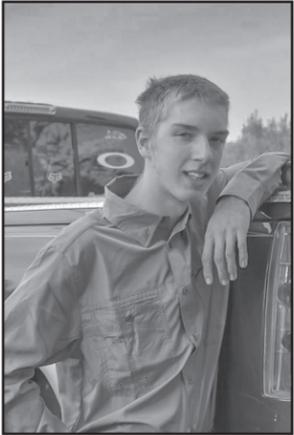
We wish you happiness and success in everything you do.

We love you, Mom & Dad

Delaney,
 in a year and world filled with uncertainties one things for certain, we are so proud of you and your accomplishments. It wasn't easy navigating school through a Pandemic but you did it. You pushed, fought and persevered in a setting that was far from ideal. You showed us your tenacity of never giving up and your individual spirit always shone through. As you face this next chapter called life always remember to be true to yourself, keep an open mind, shoot for the stars, and believe that with God anything is possible. We know you will continue to amaze us with your desire for knowledge and we can't wait to see what the future holds for our sweet, beautiful babygirl.

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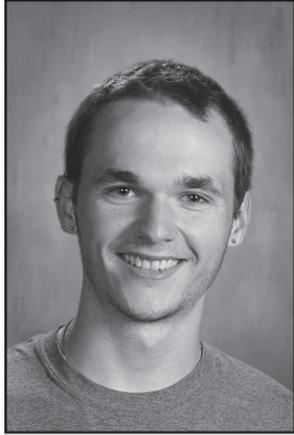
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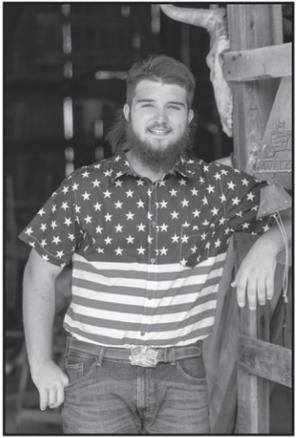
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*We are honored to be your parents and wish you the best of luck in your future.
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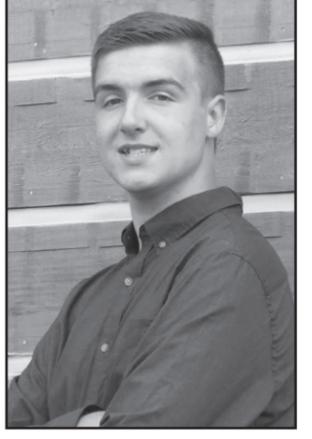
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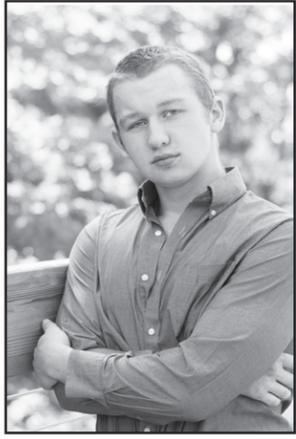


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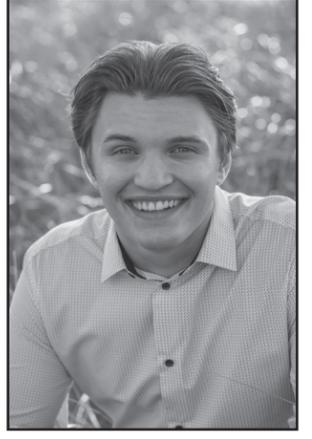


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Rachel -

We are so incredibly proud of all you have accomplished these last 12 years and are so excited for what God has planned for you in your future at GVSU. We hope you will always follow your passions of science and theater and have fun enjoying life! Much love, Mom & Dad (and your brother and sisters too!)




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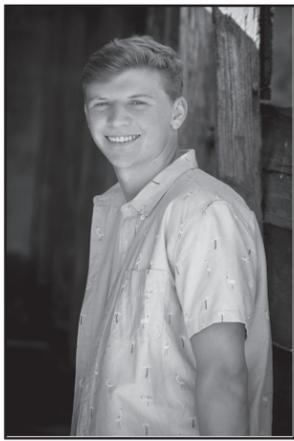
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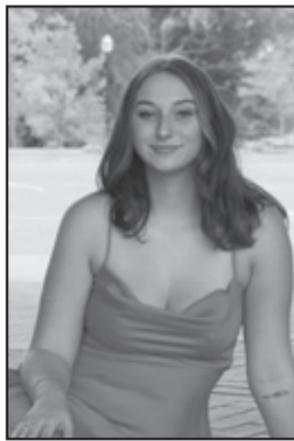
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Your journey has not been easy and this past year has proven how resilient you are! We are so very proud of all your hard work! Keep it up kiddo and you will achieve all your goals!

Love,
Tom & Jennie

CONGRATULATIONS

Logan

We are so proud of you and the man you have become. You are so polite, smart, funny and giving. You have everything you need to achieve anything you want and a big family right behind you.

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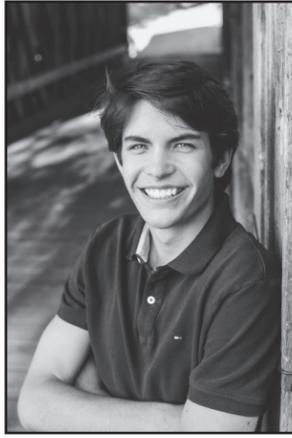
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The Mandy Tichelaar Scholarship, OK Conference Scholar Athlete

Taylor Renee White

The Shari Miller Scholarship, OK Conference Scholar Athlete

Zachary Edward White

OK Conference Scholar Athlete

Olivia Ryan Winn

OK Conference Scholar Athlete

Bailey Anne Wolters

The Margaret Court Memorial Scholarship, The Central Michigan University Maroon and Gold Merit Recognition Scholarship, OK Conference Scholar Athlete

Jona Brazil Young

The Rotary Club of Lowell Community Foundation Donald and Ellura McPherson Scholarship



Red Arrow

- BASEBALL

SPORTS

Teachworth has big week for Lowell baseball

by Justin Scott
sports reporter

After seven straight wins, the Lowell varsity baseball team saw their streak snapped by Battle Creek Lakeview in a high-scoring affair. Lakeview, who entered last week at 22-4, was ranked 14th in Division 1 in the latest polling conducted by the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association.

Erik Bryce hit a home run for Lowell, but the Red Arrow bats couldn't keep pace with a loaded Lakeview lineup with a tallied 16 runs.

Earlier in the week, Lowell completed a sweep of conference rival Greenville on the back of a no-hitter thrown by Peyton Teachworth. Teachworth threw 16 strikeouts in addition to the no-hitter, recorded two stolen bases,

and hit a home run in the second inning. Jaxson Carlisle went three-for-five at the plate in the win.

In the first game of the Battle Creek doubleheader, Lowell was dominant in an 11-1 victory of Battle Creek Harper Creek. Xander Reisbig was one of three players with three hits on the day, as Lowell pulled away with five runs in the third inning. Teachworth again came up with a home run, scoring three runs including Rohan Dixon who drew a walk in his at bat. Ethan Hall recorded the win pitching and eight strikeouts.

Lowell is 21-11 on the season with Northview, the Gerken Tournament (EGR), and districts left on the schedule.



The Lowell baseball team meets at the mound.

- GOLF

De Voest's 75 paces Lowell golf team

by Justin Scott
sports reporter

Lowell golfer Will de Voest continued his strong year at Bedford Valley by firing off a program top-ten round of 75 and the best 18-hole score by a Lowell golfer since 2013. De Voest finished in sixth place and it was his fifth top-ten finish this season.

Across the 6750 yard course, Lowell recorded only three triple bogeys en route to an 11th place finish in a packed field. Other players to contribute to the scoring were Drew Beldman (82), Brad VandenHout

(87), and Cameron Sluss (88). Lowell's 332 finished higher than eight teams including traditional division 1 powerhouse Detroit Catholic Central (341). The Shamrocks placed fourth in the last MHSAA state championship tournament, held in 2019. Bedford Valley will play host to the division 2 state finals in June.

In a dual hosted by Northview at Boulder Creek, Lowell defeated the Wildcats by 15 strokes. Will de Voest led the way with a 37, and was joined at the top of the Lowell leaderboard

by his brother Patrick who shot a 38. Veldman and Ty Knottnerus each shot a 44 to round out the scoring.

The victory came just a day after another win over Northview, this time at Lowell home course Arrowhead. Veldman shot a two over par 38 to lead the way in the 21 stroke win.

The Red Arrows turn their attention to the OK White Conference tournament at Thornapple Pointe this week, then regionals being held at Lincoln in Muskegon next Wednesday.



Members of the Lowell boys golf team Prior to a match. Photo courtesy of Coach Tom Koert.

- TRACK

Lady Arrows sending two to state track meet

submitted by Paul Judd

Mixed emotions at the MHSAA regional meet as the wind and heat took its toll on athletes looking for a top two mark and/or the automatic qualifying mark that they either hit or close throughout the year. In the end, the Arrows saw one event winner and ten events

03 mark in the pole vault which earned her third place, grabbed a third place in the 100 hurdles with a time of 16.02, and closed out her individual events with a fifth place in the 300 hurdles going 48.61. Jaden Sanders ran a personal record of 61.16 to take fourth place in the 400.

Annika Sandman ran to a fifth place finish in the 1600 with a time of 5:16.05. Julia Tuuri grabbed eighth in the 100m in 13.90.

Two relay teams scored medals as the 800m relay team of Jes Spaulding, Madison Brown, Tuuri and Diamond placed fifth with a time of 1:51.33, while the 1600m relay team of Sanders, Diamond, Kaylee Byrne and Judd took sixth with 4:20.85.

Diamond (high jump and long jump) and Judd (pole vault) will represent Lowell at the state meet in two weeks at East Kentwood High School.

Final team scores

were: East Kentwood 113.5, East Grand Rapids 77.5, Ottawa Hills 67, Caledonia 64.5, Portage Central 60.5, Forest Hills



Kaylee Diamond

where athletes finished in the top eight.

Kaylee Diamond went 5-04.00 in the high jump which gave her the win and followed it up with a 17-08/75 mark in a tailwind-aided long jump event. Theresa Judd started the day with a 10-



Theresa Judd

Central 52.5, Lowell 51, BC Central 32, Portage Northern 29, Forest Hills Northern 27.5, Mattawan 22, Byron Center 17, Battle Creek Lakeview 16, Kalamazoo Central 12, Greenville 11, Richland Gull Lake 10.

The next meet for the Arrows will be the Metro Health meet at Comstock Park High School. The top 16 athletes in each event are eligible to run on Wednesday.

Softball

A LOOK BACK IN TIME

Arrows take softball crown

1980

Hard work and determination paid dividends as the girls softball team challenged for the Tri-River Championship. Their 5-2 record was good for second place and according to team member Chris Vroma, "The team improved a lot, and if we play this good next season, with a few improvements, we will go far."

Shirley Wilcox, Lynn Wilcox, Melanie McBain, Beth Beachum, and Ruth Bobko were selected to the All-Conference team. Shirley Wilcox was also named M.V.P., while Jackie Malone was voted Most Improved.

Girls win District



Driesenga, Eagles send Arrows home in regional final

2010



The 2010 Red Arrow softball team finished second in the conference behind the Northview Wildcats. They placed second in regional play as well. The ladies finished their season with a 26-14 record. A number of team records were broken this year: most games played (old record 36 in 2005-06-07); 1052 at-bats (old record was 980 in 2005); most hits 340 (old record was 315 in 1998); most doubles 50 (old record was 45 in 1999); and most post pop outs 735 (old record was 720 in 2005).

Softball wins first ever regional title

2019

The season for the Red Arrows concluded as one of the best in the school's history. It was the program's furthest postseason fun. It also included a conference, district and the first ever regional championship. The team graduated six seniors this year. Emily Depew, Kylee Stephens, Corah Miller and Maddi Jordan were named to the All-District team. Coach, Melissa Trainor was named District Coach of the Year. Miller, Jordan and Depew were named to the All-Region team. Stephens and Allyson Lange earned academic All-State honors as individuals and the team as a whole earned academic All-State honors.



Red Arrows claim district championship

Red Arrow

- VOLLEYBALL

SPORTS

It was an awesome group to be involved with...I had an absolute blast coaching them this season.

~ Coach Drake

Boys volleyball finishes season in State match

by Justin Scott
sports reporter

After a year off of competition due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the boys volleyball team finished up a successful season last week in the state finals. The Red Arrows went 29-2 on the season with both losses sandwiching a 29 game winning streak in between.

Coached by varsity girls volleyball head coach Jordan Drake, the boys program began in 2019 with a positive first season before that momentum was nixed by the pandemic. The program rebounded rather quickly playing well this year. Lowell won the Central Division Conference championship as well as a district title this year.

Lowell won the first match of the evening against South Christian in a thriller

by a score of 3-2 (25-20, 18-25, 25-23, 21-25, 15-9). In the state championship match, Lowell fell to Hudsonville 3-0 (16-25, 22-25, 15-25).

"The boys grew tremendously throughout the season and have a ton to be proud of. This was the first conference championship for the boys and they were arguably the best team in the state all year, but just happened to come up a bit short in the finals. Hudsonville played a phenomenal match and unfortunately it just didn't go our way. The boys competed for every single point and they have a lot to be proud of," Coach Jordan Drake said of the team.

Boys volleyball currently is a club sport at the high school level. It is growing in popularity and

could be among the next batch added as an MHSAA sport in the future.

Lowell graduates three seniors, Dillon Hieshetter, Andrew Fuss and Brady Musser from this year's team. Assistant coaches were Sophie Powell (LHS Class of 2021), Jason Wender, and Drew Davidson (LHS Class of 2019). Hieshetter, Musser, and Lancdon Hamilton were All-Conference. Sophomore, Jacob Davidson was Honorable Mention All-Conference.

"It was an awesome group to be involved with having three seniors, two Juniors, three sophomores and three freshmen. I had an absolute blast coaching them this season," Drake concluded.



Lancdon Hamilton in action against South Christian during the semifinals.

- TRACK

One Arrow moves on to state

submitted by Paul Judd

Friday at Portage Central High School was nothing but brutal, as the Arrows had to deal with shifting strong winds and 90 degree temps at the MHSAA regional meet. The conditions all but eliminated the automatic qualifier marks which meant only the top two in each event would advance to the Division 1 state meet in two weeks.

Joshua Rau will be one of the competitors at the state meet as he took medalist honors in both the 110m high hurdles and the 300m hurdles with times of 14.85 and 40.88.

Earning all-region honors by finishing in the top eight were Keegan Cater, finishing in fifth place in the discus with a toss of 123-09 and Levi Mills, with an eighth place in the 400m dash, crossing the line in

54.02. Lowell's 3200m relay team comprised of Sawyer Fowler, Jackson Fowler, Ben Bromley, and Cole Weston opened the running events with a fifth place finish with a time of 8:34.

The next meet for the Arrows will be the Metro Health meet at Comstock Park High School. The top 16 athletes in each event are eligible to run on Wednesday.

- LACROSSE

Lacrosse season comes to close

by Justin Scott
sports reporter

The Lowell varsity boys lacrosse team had their season come to a close after a 17-11 loss to Byron Center. The Bulldogs advance to this week's division 2 regional semifinal to play the winner of Northview and East Grand Rapids.

Byron Center started off blistering with a 7-0 first quarter, a deficit

that proved to be too much to overcome for the Red Arrows. Lowell got on the board early in the first quarter with a goal from Cole Huisman. Both teams would trade goals, ending the first half with Byron Center up 9-3. The Red Arrows would inch back to cut the deficit to 12-9 in the fourth quarter on another Huisman goal, but it would be as close as they would get.

The Red Arrows finished the season with an 11-6 record.

The girls program will play this Wednesday in the regional quarterfinals, having drawn a bye in pre-regionals. They will play either Grand Rapids Christian or the state's top ranked team, East Grand Rapids.

-SOFTBALL

Lowell edges FHC in wild 29 run game

by Justin Scott
sports reporter

Offense wasn't at a premium this past Thursday, as Lowell defeated FHC in a 15-14 thriller. The Red Arrows led 15-8 going into the seventh inning and held off a ferocious rally by the Rangers to hang on for the 1-run victory.

Macy Huver pitched a complete game and was boosted by Courtney Witten who went 4-5 at the plate including three RBIs, two doubles, and 2 singles. Sydney Zandstra and Sami Hayes each crossed home plate three times.

In game one of the doubleheader, Lowell fell to the Rangers by a score of

11-4. FHC used a seven-run fourth inning to pull away. Kamie Venema and Witten each recorded three hits in the loss.

Faith Worsley opened up the scoring in last week's win over Greenville. Both teams went back and forth, with the seventh and game winning run being scored on a Witten RBI, with the eighth run scored on a Taylor Clark double. Lowell hosted senior night this past Tuesday against Northview. LHS is 11-13 on the season.



A mound meeting for the Lowell softball team.

college news

Seventy-five Alma College students - 58 first-year students, 15 sophomores and two juniors - were recently awarded the President's Cup for the 2020-21 academic year. The students earned the honor by achieving the highest academic standing in their respective classes at Alma.

The tradition of the President's Cup was started more than 50 years ago in 1968 by Alma's ninth President, Robert D. Swanson. Students earning the honor receive a certificate acknowledging their achievement.

Local students are: Zackery Post is a sophomore from Lowell and Elizabeth Vredevelt is a first-year student from Alto.

Minnesota State University, Mankato celebrated its 2021 spring semester student commencement by providing graduates "commencement-in-a-box" packages and personalized photo opportunities last week on a graduation stage while holding a virtual ceremony.

Minnesota State University Mankato awarded more than 2,200 degrees at the end of spring semester. Included were more than 1,870 undergraduate degrees and more than 370 graduate degrees and specialist certifications.

Jordan Duchon, of Ada, received a Bachelor of Science in aviation.

Alise Forward, of Lowell, qualified for the

Spring 2021 Dean's List at Belmont University. Eligibility is based on a minimum course load of 12 hours and a quality grade point average of 3.5 with no grade below a C.

Elizabeth Vredevelt of Alto was among the Alma College students who made an impressive showing at the 2021 Model United Nations (MUN) regional and national conferences.

The Model UN team competed at the annual National MUN Conference in March and won two "outstanding delegation" awards, the highest honor at the event. Alma College has now won 100 total "outstanding delegation" awards since 1994, 53 at the annual Midwest MUN conference and 47 at the National MUN Conference.

Vredevelt was among the National conference honorees and the Midwest

conference honorees, Outstanding Delegations, Nigeria delegation.

Andi Reynolds, of Lowell, has graduated from the University of Findlay. Reynolds received the following: Bachelor of Science in Animal Science.

Reynolds was invited to walk in the University's commencement ceremonies on Saturday, May 8. Nearly 900 graduates earned doctoral, master's, bachelor's or associate degrees for the academic year 2020 - 2021.

The following Trine University students were named to the President's List for the spring 2021 term. To earn President's List honors, students must complete a minimum of 12 hours and have a grade point average of 3.750-4.000.

Brennan Battle of

Lowell, majoring in Design Engineering Technology, and Ella Dougherty of Alto, majoring in Exercise Science.

Joslynn Battle of Lowell, a Trine University student, earned Dean's List recognition for the spring 2021 term.

Battle is majoring in Exercise Science.

To earn Dean's List honors, Trine University students must complete a minimum of 12 hours and have a grade point average of 3.500-3.749.

Ashley Elzinga and Naomi Schmid, both of Lowell, were named to the Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) winter 2021 President's List. The winter term runs from January to May.

Full-time students who have earned a minimum

grade-point average of 3.700 and above are named to the President's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits; undergraduate day students must earn 12 credits in fall or spring semester and online students must earn 12 credits in either EW1 & EW2, EW3 & EW4, or EW5 & EW6.

Madison Lee Melle, of Saranac, was recently named to the University of Mississippi's Spring 2021 Honor Roll lists.

Melle was named to the Chancellor's Honor Roll, which is reserved for students who earn a semester GPA of 3.75-4.00.

In order to be eligible for honor roll designation, a student must have completed at least 12 graded hours for the semester and may not be on academic probation during the semester.

Thank You

Our family wishes to convey our sincerest appreciation for the prayers and support we received while Howard was in the hospital and after his passing. We are truly touched by the acts of kindness shown to our family by the Lowell Community, the phone calls, voicemails, texts, cards, gifts, and donations did not go unnoticed. This past week our house has been a whirlwind of visitors, food, and flowers and we can't thank you enough. We were blessed to have Howard and take great comfort in knowing the impact he had on so many. A special thanks to Impact Church, the Lowell community, Lowell School staff and the bus garage. Howard will be missed, but not forgotten.

The Howard Burton Family

Unemployment insurance fraud and Social Security

Scammers are using the COVID-19 pandemic as an opportunity to file fraudulent unemployment claims, often using someone else's identity. Scammers may even use the identity of someone who is receiving or applying for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits.

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receiving — or appear to begin receiving — State Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits could appear to be ineligible for SSI benefits. They could even appear to be overpaid because of an

If you suspect you may be a victim of fraud, report it to your state fraud hotline at www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/UIIDtheft. You may also report suspicions of fraud to your local unemployment office.



unemployment claim filed in their name.

These UI fraud schemes are widespread and affect most states. The United States Secret Service is investigating more than 500 claims in over 40 states related to unemployment fraud.

At Social Security, we're taking steps to verify whether SSI applicants and recipients are victims of UI fraud. We will not reduce or terminate your payments due to a fraudulent unemployment claim filed on our behalf.

Remember that scammers always look for a chance to exploit your fears. Don't fall for their tactics — and guard your personal information. Please share this information with your friends and family — and let's help each other stay vigilant.

Vonda Van Til 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.

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING STATE OF MICHIGAN The Probate Court for the County of Kent

In the matter of Margaret Sutherlin Guardianship File No. 21-209043-GA

MI 49503 via Zoom before Judge David M. Murkowski (P35026) for the following purpose: Appointment of a Guardian and Appointment of a Conservator.

Dated: May 21, 2021

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS including her sons: Bobby Pierce and Drew Pierce, and any other unknown children and heirs, whose address(es) is/are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: A hearing will be held on June 29, 2021, at 3:30 P.M. at Kent Co. Probate Court, 180 Ottawa NW, Grand Rapids,

Adult Protective Services, DHHS, Petitioner, 121 Franklin St. NE Grand Rapids, MI 49507 (616) 258-1182

VAN ESSEN AND ASSOCIATES PLLC Attys. for Petitioner by Amanda Van Essen Wirth (P75001) 109 E. Main St. Suite 11 Zeeland, MI 49464 (616) 633-0196

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING STATE OF MICHIGAN The Probate Court for the County of Kent

In the matter of Gregory Jackson Guardianship File No. 21-209,238-DD

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS including his father, siblings, and other heirs or children whose address(es) is/are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: A hearing will be held on June 16, 2021, at 8:45 a.m. at Kent Co. Probate Court, 180 Ottawa NW, Grand Rapids,

MI 49503 via Zoom before Judge David M. Murkowski (P35026) for the following purpose: Appointment of a Guardian for a person with a developmental disability.

Dated: May 24, 2021

Adult Protective Services, DHHS, Petitioner 121 Franklin St. NE Grand Rapids, MI 49507 (616) 558-7608

VAN ESSEN AND ASSOCIATES PLLC Attys. for Petitioner by Amanda Van Essen Wirth (P75001) 109 E. Main St. Ste. 11 Zeeland, MI 49464 (616) 633-0196

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GARAGE SALE - Murray Lake including all surrounding streets. Miscellaneous and specialty items. Dates and times: Friday, June 4 and Saturday, June 5, 9 am - 3:00 pm.

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memorials

In loving memory of Faye Egan, who passed away on June 1, 2008. We miss your laughter, hugs, talking to you, dancing, bowling, watching TV (wrestling), playing games. We love you, and share a lot of memories. Love, Gerald (Honey), Sally, Josh, Chris & Matt & family; Charles & Regina Miller

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NOTICE DAY OF REVIEW OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT BOUNDARY AND REVIEW OF APPORTIONMENTS

DATE: Friday, June 4, 2021
TIME: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Office of the Kent County Drain Commissioner
 1500 Scribner Ave, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504

Or Alternatively Remote Electronic Access by Zoom
Meeting ID: 913 6393 9883
Passcode: 6042021
Call-In#: 1 646 876 9923 US (New York)

QUESTIONS: (616) 632-7910

The Day of Review is an opportunity to review the Boulard and Thompson Drain Drainage District boundaries and apportionment of benefit with the Drain Commissioner or a staff member. A map depicting the proposed Drainage District boundary revisions can be found attached to this notice and/or on the Drain Commissioner's website at: https://www.accesskent.com/Departments/DrainCommissioner/meeting_notices.htm. The Drain is located and established in the following municipalities, and a general description of the lands proposed to be added or deleted, in whole or in part, include the following:

Drain No.	Drain Name	Municipalities	Portion of Section Added	Portion of Section Removed
8044	BOULARD AND THOMPSON	BOWNE TOWNSHIP	9, 10, 15 & 16	9, 10, 15 & 16

*The above listed Municipalities are subject to an At-Large Assessment

The Drain Commissioner intends to hold an in-person Day of Review at the location stated above. However, due to the ongoing coronavirus public health crisis, the Day of Review will alternatively be held through remote electronic access, as provided in this Notice, if public gatherings are unable to be held due to federal, state, or local orders, laws, regulations, and guidelines. Prior to the Day of Review, the Drain office shall post an update on its website whether in-person attendance will be available.

Prior to the Day of Review, you may contact the Drain Commissioner's Office at (616) 632-7910 or visit its website at https://www.accesskent.com/Departments/DrainCommissioner/meeting_notices.htm to get information about your apportionment and assessment. Remote electronic access will be available even if in-person attendance is available.

Electronic participation will be conducted through Zoom. The Day of Review may be accessed through any device supporting the Zoom app, which includes many computers, laptops, smartphones. Users on a computer or laptop will be given the option to join the meeting through a web browser without downloading the Zoom app. Additionally, individuals may call into the Day of Review by telephone.

Prior to the Day of Review:

- **Website.** Please visit the Drain Commissioner's website at [_https://www.accesskent.com/Departments/DrainCommissioner/meeting_notices.htm](https://www.accesskent.com/Departments/DrainCommissioner/meeting_notices.htm) for more information regarding the Day of Review, including a map of the proposed Drainage District boundary revisions and proposed apportionment roll
- **Email.** If you would like to ask questions about your property or proposed apportionment prior to the Day of Review, please email drinfo@kentcountymi.gov and we will provide you information through email.
- **Telephone.** If you wish to speak with a staff member of the Drain Commissioner's Office about your property or the proposed apportionment, please call (616) 632-7910
- **Special Access.** Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the Day of Review should contact the Drain Commissioner's Office at the number noted above (voice) or through the Michigan Relay Center at 7-1-1 (TDD) at least 24 hours in advance of the Day of Review to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

On the Day of Review:

- The Drain Commissioner, engineers and/or other staff members will be available to assist individuals throughout the day. However, due to the coronavirus public health crisis, the facilities are requesting limited walk-in and request that an appointment be scheduled to limit the number of walk-in visitors. If you do enter the building, it will be strongly encouraged to wear a mask
- To participate electronically through Zoom, you can access the Day of Review through the following link: <https://kentcountymi.zoom.us/j/91363939883?pwd=T2ZLOXkyNG5FaEhFdkqMTIHZ0tsdz09>
- For participation on Zoom via telephone, please call: + 1 646 876 9923 US (New York). When prompted the **Meeting ID is 913 6393 9883 and the Passcode is 6042021**
- Once individuals have joined the Day of Review electronically, the Drain Commissioner will provide further information about procedures for participation.
- The computation of costs for the Drain will also be available at the Day of Review and will be on the Drain Commissioner's Office website. Drain assessments are collected in the same manner as property taxes and will appear on your 2021 winter tax bill. If drain assessments are being collected for more than one (1) year, you may pay the assessment in full with any interest to date at any time and avoid further interest charges.

After the Day of Review:

You may appeal the Drain Commissioner's decision to revise the district boundaries to the Kent County Circuit Court within ten (10) days, and you may also appeal the determination of apportionments to the Kent County Probate Court within ten (10) days.

The following is a condensed description of the several tracts or parcels of lands constituting the Special Assessment District of the Boulard and Thompson Drain: Portion of Sections 9, 10, 15 & 16 of Bowne Township.

The following county, townships, cities, and villages liable for at-large assessment: **Bowne Township**

Dated: May 21, 2021

Kenneth J. Yonker
 Kent County Drain Commissioner

FUN PAGE

SUDOKO

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

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

Guess Who?

I am a singer born in Georgia on May 28, 1944. I won a small TV contest as a child, giving my family the confidence to start a music group. I have had many hits through my long career, and won a Grammy in 1986.

Answer: Gladys Knight

1	2	3	4		5	6	7		8	9	10	11		
12				13		14			15					
16					17		18			19				
20						21				22				
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49					50				51		52	53	54	55
56						57			58					
59						60				61				
62						63					64			

ARTHRITIS WORD SEARCH

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

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

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|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| ARTHRITIS WORD SEARCH | CHRONIC CORTICOSTEROID | GOUT HEAT | RHEUMATOID RHEUMATOLOGIST |
| AID | C-REACTIVE DACTYLITIS | INFLAMMATION OSTEOARTHRITIS | SJOGRENS SPLINT |
| ARTHRITIS | DISABILITY | PAIN | STRETCH |
| AUTOIMMUNE | DISEASE | PROGRESSIVE | THERAPY |
| BIOLOGICS | FLARE | REMISSION | |

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to arthritis.

D M I C N I E E

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Answer: Medicine

CLUES ACROSS

- A group of sheep
- Of she
- This (Spanish)
- A type of sorcery
- A team's best pitcher
- Port in southern Japan
- Makes very happy
- Trigonometric unit of measurement
- From a distance
- Winged nut
- Consumed
- "Heat" director
- In all places
- Made improvements to
- St. ___ Girl: brand of beer
- A type of "seat"
- Wood
- A brief treatise on a subject of interest
- Approval
- Basics
- Where judges sit
- W. African religion
- Commentators
- Having many different functions
- Member of a Semitic people
- Flightless, fast-running

CLUES DOWN

- Garden tools
- Early Syrian kingdom
- 500 sheets of paper
- Information
- Beloved comic strip character
- Distinct form of a plant
- Replenishment
- Semitransparent glassy substance
- Expedition to observe animals
- One who held landed granted by Anglo-Saxon king
- Obtain in return for labor
- Inheritable genetically
- One who rescues
- Doctor of Education
- Liberal arts
- Shock treatment
- Disfigure
- When you hope to get there
- Peacock network
- Part of (abbr.)
- The 21st letter of the Greek alphabet
- Not just "play"
- Former CIA
- Reduced to a sloping edge
- Restricted the development of
- Sciences degree
- Sea eagles
- Saturated
- Joints
- Sailing boat
- Respiratory organs
- Guitarists use them
- Disco act: Bee ___
- First Chinese dynasty
- Intentionally lose
- Muslim people of China



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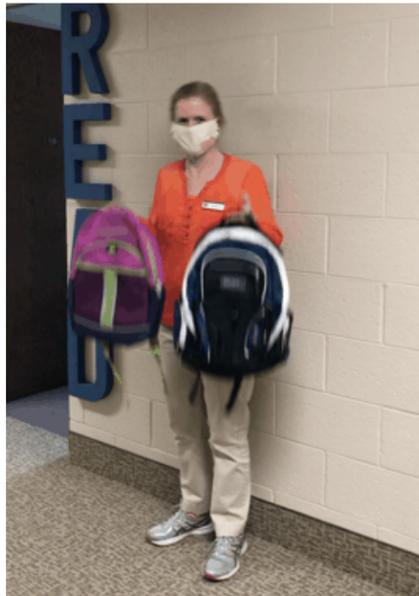
WEEKLY BOX SCORE

	5/9/21	5/16/21	5/23/21	5/26/21	TOTALS
NORTH	15,204	11,265	11,574	4,725	42,768
SOUTH	19,591	21,725	8,779	12,562.51	62,656.51

FROM the

Fighting to Make a Difference

When people think of FROM many think about our Food Pantry and know that we provide food for those in need. In fact, FROM began twenty-three years ago as a food pantry in the basement of Lowell United Methodist Church.



Now, twenty-three years later we still provide food to our neighbors in need, but it is more than just helping provide a meal. We also connect people to resources within FROM and at other organizations, provide backpacks for children to start the school year off right, offer assistance for those seeking employment, loan out medical equipment, and more.

When people come to the Food Pantry (or any of our programs) our desire is to determine if there are other factors or situations that may require assistance so that we can walk alongside them on their journey. They may have recently lost a job, have outstanding medical bills, or have goals they would like to address such as completing schooling or a training program.

Once we understand what their goals are, we can work together to help them get where they want to be. Sometimes this is about providing additional resources and other times it's about encouraging them that they are already taking the steps they need to in order to meet those goals.



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