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LHS class of '21 commencement ceremony

by Tim McAllister lead reporter

Lowell High School class of 2021 had their commencement ceremony at Bob Perry field on Thursday, June 3.

To begin the commencement, the LHS choir, including the senior members for their final performance with the group, sang the national anthem.

Following their performance, LHS principal Steven Gough made a speech.

"A lot of work goes into achieving a high school diploma: 13 years, 18 merit curriculum requirements, 28 total credits," Gough said. "It's much more complicated than it was when most of us were in school. Back then there were just two state requirements: civics and [physical education]. Now there are 18. The candidates seated here today have done



an excellent job, and they should be proud. They've won championships at the highest level, they've produced incredible performances on the stage,

they've achieved state and national recognition, both individually and as members of a variety of clubs, organizations and teams. They persevered

through killer mosquitoes, a polar vortex and a global pandemic. Somehow, in the midst of all that struggle, they found a way to raise the building SAT scores by 40

points." Addressing his next remarks to the graduating seniors, Gough continued. **Graduation, continued, page 3**

Thousands attended inaugural Lowell Pride festival Saturday



by Tim McAllister lead reporter

The event's organizers estimate that more than 2,500 people attended the first ever Lowell Pride celebration on the Riverwalk on Saturday, June 5.

First there was drag queen story hour, followed by a drag show, a panel discussion, a fashion show and a movie.

Nicole Lintemuth, president of Lowell Pride and the owner of Bettie's

Pages bookstore, 216 E. Main, addressed the crowd to kick off the day.

"If you asked me a year ago if we would have this many people at Lowell Pride, I would have said, 'Lowell Pride, what's that?'" Lintemuth said. "And here we are, and you guys are fabulous, and I'm so happy to have you. [...] If you are a member of the LGBTQ+ community, we are so proud

to have you here with us and joining in with all of your community members. If you are an ally, thank you for being here with us. We love you and appreciate you."

Next up was drag queen story hour, which actually lasted about 20 minutes. A drag queen named BRIT read three picture books to an audience of children and adults: "All Kinds of Families" by Mary Ann Hoberman, "Pink Is for Boys" by Robb Pearlman and "Same, Same But Different" by Jenny Sue Kostecki-Shaw.

BRIT gave an engaging, charming reading of the books with many witty asides that deviated from the printed texts. BRIT did not talk down to the kids, nor were they inappropriate. Anybody looking for controversy would have been disappointed. Because these were children's books, the message in all three was positive and simple: Everybody is unique, so accept and respect everybody.

The story hour was followed by a sickening drag show by Beauty Beyond Drag productions in Grand Rapids. According to the online RuPaul's Drag Race Dictionary, in this context

the term "sickening" means "to be beyond awesome, incredibly amazing or excessively hot."

Four drag queens performed, including BRIT, La Reine Divine and Cherry Poppins, dancing and lip-syncing to beat-heavy, electronic pop songs while wearing elaborate outfits that

look like they'd be difficult to stand upright in without toppling over, let alone do cartwheels and backflips in front of thousands of people.

"I think this is amazing, especially in this town," BRIT [Bethany Rachel

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Ability Weavers acquire massive Canadian loom

by Tim McAllister
lead reporter

Ability Weavers, 215 W. Main, recently procured one of the largest manual looms ever made, an eight foot wide “Leclerc” model, manufactured in Quebec, Canada around 1982.

The loom came from the estate of a weaver in the Detroit area, whose relatives contacted Ability Weavers with “a very good price,” said co-owner Eric Barktkus.

“Brand-new, it would have cost \$10,000,” Barktkus said. “It will take two people to run it, but it’s going to take us another week yet to get it running.”

The new loom will be used to make huge rugs, as much as eight feet wide and however long they want.

“Our previous largest loom went up to five feet wide,” Barktkus said. “With this one, we can weave up to eight feet wide, and as long as a person would like, so we can do 10 foot, 15 foot, 20 foot long rugs. This is going to open up a whole new dimension for us.”

Eric Barktkus and his wife Beryl started Ability Weavers in 2016 to create

opportunities, growth, development and enjoyment for special needs adults such as their daughter Erin, who has autism. They have since trained and employed more than a dozen weavers, and hundreds of people have taken their “Weave Your Own Rug” classes.

They have recently begun stocking a range of crafting supplies and have a back room dedicated to these products.

“We have been expanding into selling supplies for rug makers, knitters and crocheters, and this has been a great fit for us,” Barktkus said. “This year we started supplying cotton warp, and this has been a really popular product. I think there are 60 or 70 colors, and we have most of them here. You buy it by the spool, an 800 yard roll or a half pound spool, that’s the industry standard.”

For more information about Ability Weavers, visit abilityweavers.com, find them on social media or take a look at their Etsy shop, [etsy.com/shop/AbilityWeavers](https://www.etsy.com/shop/AbilityWeavers).



Ability Weavers employee Alexis Noonon with the eight foot wide Leclerc loom.

Lowell Wellness Camp among Hometown Health Heroes honored during Public Health Week

As part of National Public Health Week, nine individuals and organizations will be presented with the 2021 Hometown Health Hero award for their contributions to protecting and improving the health of Michigan.

Hometown Health Hero awards are presented every spring as part of Michigan Public Health Week. By building connections, our communities become healthier, safer and better for all.

“It’s an honor to award these selfless individuals and organizations whose efforts make Michigan a better place for many segments of our population,” said MDHHS director Elizabeth Hertel. “The Hometown Health Hero awards are a way we can recognize how

both small and large efforts make a positive impact on our state.”

Lowell Wellness Camp is an after-school program focused on health education, including nutrition, physical education and mental health, originally for children in grades three through five. The program has since expanded to include children in grades six through eight. The program began in 2018 and has demonstrated success in exhibiting a change in behaviors with food choices, as well as coping tools and mindfulness practice. When the COVID-19 pandemic hit, Lowell Wellness Camp went virtual and continued its program.

The camp is currently scheduled to take place at Cherry Creek Elementary School on June 22, 23 and

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24 from 10 am until 2 pm. During Lowell Wellness Camp, students will learn about the effects of sugar on the human body, discover stress management techniques, taste healthier snack options, explore yoga and mindfulness, create their own path to health and wellness, understand the effects of screen time and learn about a sense of self and emotions.

Registration is limited to the first 20 students, in grades six through eight, who complete the registration documents. To request the registration documents, call or text Jodie Seese at 616-

446-7058 or send a message to lowellwellnesscamp@gmail.com before Friday, June 11.

The other Hometown Health Heroes award recipients were pharmacist Ghada Abdallah from Southfield, Rev. Heather Boone of Monroe, Deerhaven Family Dentistry in Traverse City, Dow Bay Area YMCA in Bay City, psychologist Laura Gatny of Auburn Hills, Rabbi Elimelech Goldberg of Southfield, Health Net of West Michigan in Grand Rapids and New Day Foundation president Gina Spehn from Rochester Hills.

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 28, 2021, at 7:00 PM. The subject of the hearing will be:

Proposed drive-through restaurant at 1279 W. Main Street SE

An application has been submitted by Gary Kuhlman to construct a Culver’s restaurant on the eastern portion of 1279 W. Main Street SE (PPN 41-20-03-477-014), at the northwest corner of Main Street and Church Street. Restaurants with drive-through facilities are permitted in the C3 General Business district only with special land use approval from the Planning Commission.

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

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



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Graduation, continued

“You led this building through what has been undeniably the most challenging school year in quite some time,” Gough said. “I am proud of each and every one of you and thankful that I had the opportunity to be a small part of your experience. You’ve done tremendous work here, and your presence and contribution will be missed.”

Next, all 45 of the class of ‘21’s summa cum laude graduates were asked to stand, followed by the graduates that have enlisted in the military. Then the senior band students performed for the last time, a song called “Joyant Winds” by Ed Huckeby.

Following that, graduating seniors Delaney Beimers, Lauren Haff, salutatorian

what any of us had planned for our senior year, but we all made it one to remember.”

“We have dealt with a great deal these last few years,” Haff said. “We have been asked a great deal of, and we have come out more resilient than ever. [...] If you’ve been wondering where the wild things and the generation of change and greatness are, here we come.”

“I thought the class of 2020 had it bad, but after the year we’ve been through, I can firmly say I was wrong,” Spanbauer said. “At first I was so excited when school shut down, because it was like we were getting a four week spring break. But I quickly learned how much I took school for granted. Even though the world changed significantly, all

paused here and there. Our school schedule changed at least six times. We didn’t get a senior homecoming, winter dance or a regular prom at all. I think the lack of these things our senior year only intensified our senioritis, and our teachers would probably agree. Despite all the obstacles we have faced, we still made it to this day. Despite all the obstacles we have faced, the people who love us are here for us today.”

“One thing that I am most proud of as a Lowell high school student is the culture of our school,” Powell said. “In sports, there is a culture of hard work, competitiveness, sportsmanship and family that no other school quite matches. In school, there is a culture of determination,

feeling of sympathy has been replaced by feelings of admiration for what you’ve accomplished, and it gives me feelings of optimism for the future,” Fowler said. “Not only yours, but all of us as a country and as a society. COVID-19, isn’t the last challenge we’re going to face, either individually or collectively, but you’re overcoming something that’s been really hard. We know that we can face challenges and we can overcome them when we work together.”

Then the students were presented with their diplomas, assisted by graduating senior, class president Skyli Raab. This process took more than 40 minutes, as each student’s name was called and they

took the stage to receive their document.

After all the diplomas were distributed, Raab participated in a “passing of the spade” ritual with LHS ‘22 class president Emily Struckmeyer.

“It’s a long tradition that the president of the

graduating class ties a ribbon representing the class color, which is blue, on the spade, and then passes the spade to the president for next year’s leadership,” Gough said.

After a few more brief departing remarks from Gough, the class of ‘21 was dismissed.



Lowell superintendent Nathan Fowler.



LHS principal Steven Gough.



LHS ‘21 valedictorian Sophia Powell.

Sydney Spanbauer and valedictorian Sophia Powell each made speeches.

“We began high school as children, and we leave here today as adults,” Beimers said. “Today is the day we are set out on our way into the real world to find a new path. [...] This year was not

of us hoped our senior year would be different, but our senior year was nothing close to normal. Because of masks, we weren’t able to pair new people to their faces. Because of the hybrid schedule, we didn’t get to see half of our classmates most of the time. Sports were

focus and fun while learning, which has prepared us for our futures.”

After the students spoke, the next person to appear at the podium was Lowell Area Schools superintendent Nathan Fowler.

“Seeing you sitting here today as graduates, the



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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE PURCHASE AND DEVELOPMENT OF CITY OF LOWELL LIGHT & POWER-OWNED PROPERTY

The City of Lowell and Lowell Light and Power are seeking proposals for the purchase and development of a City-owned parcel of property consisting of approximately 0.10 acres with an approximately 1,800 square foot building (commonly called the Line Shack Building) located at 115 Riverside Drive in the City, finding it not necessary for the operation of the utility. This RFP is not an offer to enter into a contract. This RFP may not contain all matters upon which agreement must be reached.

Any proposal for the purchase of the property must include a plan for development of the property. A restaurant, retail complex, or residential development has been identified as the desired use of the property; however, the City is willing to consider other uses. Any use will likely require zoning approvals and re-zoning.

A responsive proposal shall include the offered purchase price (the City is required to sell the property at its fair market value), identification of development partners and development team, identification of similar projects developer has developed, the proposed use or uses and related approximate square footages, a drawing or sketch of the proposed development, estimated total investment and job creation, any economic development incentives being requested and an estimated timeline for completion of the development. **Based on a fair market value appraisal, the City of Lowell has set a minimum offer amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).**

If selected, prior to the purchase of the property, the developer, will be required to enter into a purchase and development agreement with the City to include but not be limited to, provisions related to submission of plans and specifications for review and acceptance by City, the details of any economic development incentives requested, development milestones, and performance requirements including financing. The transfer of property shall be by way of quitclaim deed, as-is, and subject to all easement or other encumbrances.

It will be the responsibility of the proposer to become familiar with the property including zoning requirements and to review environmental studies related to the property which are available for review at City Hall.

Sealed proposals marked "FORMER LINE SHACK REDEVELOPMENT RFP – CITY OF LOWELL" must be received by the Lowell Light and Power on or before 11:00 a.m., local time, on August 20, 2021, at the Lowell Light and Power Office, 127 N. Broadway St., Lowell, MI 49331 in the City.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any proposal at its sole discretion, waive any irregularities, and may negotiate the terms of purchase with one or more proposers. The selected proposal must be considered by the City Council.

Any bidder submitting a proposal hereto certifies that it is not an Iran linked business as that term is defined by the Iran Economic Sanctions Act, Act 517 of 2012 and that it and its subcontractors shall not discriminate against an employee or applicant for employment with respect to hire, tenure, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment, or a matter directly or indirectly related to employment, because of race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, or marital status or because of a disability that is unrelated to the individual's ability to perform the duties of a particular job or position.

Any questions regarding this request should be addressed to Charlie West, Lowell Light and Power General Manager at 616-897-8402.

Charlie West
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viewpoint



125 years ago Lowell Ledger June 12, 1896

A tornado struck this city from the west shortly after 11 o'clock Sunday and a terrible rainstorm followed. It was the worst experienced here in years. Trees were uprooted and scores of them, some of which were a foot in diameter, were broken off. Several barns and numerous outbuildings were overturned and over 400 feet of sheds at the plant of the Michigan Stave company were leveled.

George Hartman, aged 88 and unmarried, met a terrible death by falling off the rear end of a gravel car, the next car in the train running over him. Both Legs were cut completely off. He also had big holes in his head and side and was brought to St. Mary's hospital, where he died a few hours later.

The popular interest in the Cuban revolution was shown in the large number of resolutions, more than 50 in all, that were introduced and referred to the committee on foreign affairs. After careful consideration, a concurrent resolution was reported, for which was subsequently substituted, in conference, the senate resolution expressing the sympathy of the United States with the insurgents, recognizing their belligerency and calling upon the president to use his good offices to secure the independence of the island.

100 years ago The Lowell Ledger June 16, 1921

Because law enforcement has been lax, is no reason it will continue so. A lot of Ionia fellows know what now. Things had been going along easily there for some time and speedsters and boozemakers were getting careless. Suddenly, the nets were spread and wholesale arrests were made. It's a long lane that has no turning.

There is an old adage that there comes a time when patience ceases to be a virtue. I think this applies to the dwellers on what is known as "Peck's Hill" who have waited year after year to have the two roads up the hill put in order by the village.

A new theory regarding drunkenness—new at least to Michigan court decisions, is embodied in a decision written by Justice Wiest and handed down as the decision of the court in the case of Gleen Townsend, of Kalamazoo. Townsend was driving an automobile while drunk on the night of November 8, 1919. He missed a man and his machine collided with a tree, seriously injuring Agnes Thorne, who was with him. She died later of blood poisoning.

75 years The Lowell Ledger June 13, 1946

The Rev. A.P. Fisher, who preaches at Elmdale knows that there is a meat shortage and is trying to do something about it by raising rabbits which he sells live or dressed. The Reverend would like to add Lowell people to his clientele. Guess he won't have any trouble doing that. No Sunday sales.

Early each summer when the vacation population of Michigan is high and more than the usual number of eyes are scanning lake and stream waters, the conservation department's fish division gets reports of sea serpents, sea monsters and whales. Swimmers from costal states swear they saw shark fins cutting the water. The division is happy to get the reports, for every report, reduced from fantastic to everyday language, is one more encouraging bit of evidence that sturgeon are making progress in their long comeback from near extinction.

Nearly 30,000 war veterans in Michigan are receiving an education with financial assistance from Uncle Sam. About one-half are students at universities and colleges; 7,200 at business schools, 530 at teacher colleges. The remainder are enrolled in "on-the-job" training programs and are getting related instruction through locally organized Veteran Institutes and the public schools.

50 years The Lowell Ledger June 17, 1971

"We'll handle them with exceptional care," says Bev Holst as she searches the Lowell-Fallasburg area for antique items to use in her store window displays during Centennial Week. "I need so much stuff, and the items that people have are so valuable, that some hesitate to even consider loaning them to us, but we'll give the loaned items our utmost care, and see that they are personally picked up and delivered following the Centennial event.

The coveted Lowell Showboat Queen's crown was given to Miss Pamela Jean Murray of Grand Rapids following her selection Saturday night in the pageant held at the Lowell Senior High School.

The re-cycling of aluminum, considered a new environmental art by conservationists, is in reality more than sixty-six years old. Industry has been gathering and re-cycling the nation's waste aluminum since 1904. In that year, the U.S. Reduction Company of East Chicago, Ind., first began to take the cast-off portion of aluminum and to melt it down. For re-use in manufacturing.

25 years The Lowell Ledger June 12, 1996

Geoffrey Clark was at home, in the garage, his roommate, Mitchell Lengyel was closing the blinds to his bedroom window when he heard, then saw a plane coming right at him at approximately 7:30 p.m. Monday night. He nearly got to the bedroom door when the plane crashed into the south side of his home.

On a night where the Lowell School Board approved the adoption of the seven-block schedule for the 1996-97 school year, months and years of discussion did not meet with silence. "There are no perfect schedules or structures, but the seven block will be an improvement in the education process at the high school," Lowell Superintendent Bert Bleke said. "I support that primarily with the excellent research base on the instructional model, its flexibility and educational environment it provides students."

outdoors

fishing boats

Dave Stegehuis

Boat sales have been as brisk as recreational vehicle sales lately. Dealers have experienced supply shortages and good used craft sell fast. Recreational boating and renewed popularity of fishing has brought new people to the waterways.

Choosing a trailerable boat is an involved decision which must be undertaken with due consideration. Anglers who fish different species could use three different boats, but most folks have to settle for one.

Boats of all kinds are made of aluminum or fiberglass. Aluminum is lighter and less expensive. Glass boats are heavier and less affected by wind and waves. Boat size is generally specified in length. A light aluminum boat for smaller inland lakes could start at twelve feet. Next is the fourteen, then on up to twenty feet. There are smaller and larger boats, but this range is most common for inland and near shore fishing. Boat size in feet is somewhat misleading because the difference between a sixteen and seventeen is more than just twelve inches. A seventeen is much wider and deeper and requires substantially more horsepower for optimum performance. As boats get larger, launching and handling become more challenging. With a well-matched boat and trailer and practice the task is very manageable.

Bass fishermen prefer a boat with ample decking which is close to the level of the gunnel so casting different rigs and fish retrieval is convenient. Bigger boats with larger horsepower motors are typical. Multi-species boats tend to be deeper inside with less deck area. Tiller models are controlled by directly operating the outboard from the stern while side console and walk-through types have a windshield and steering wheel.

Boat style and accessories can have a major impact on fishing success. The first step is to get to where the fish are biting. This could be a five-minute trip to the lily pads, or an hour run in high seas out to the reef. Once there an anchor system can hold the boat over the fish if necessary. When trolling or drifting, boat control is as important as fishing tackle. Current and wind affect the ability to stay in the productive water. Electric trolling motors and sonar/gps fish finders make the process more effective. A smaller auxiliary motor will allow for slower trolling speeds. Live wells keep the catch fresh and allow for sorting.

After deciding what the needs are for the majority of the fishing anticipated, the task of selecting and rigging the best boat for the job can begin.

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- appendicitis

The appendix is a structure in the lower right side of the abdomen attached to the colon. It has no known purpose. It may become inflamed and then infected. If the appendix ruptures, it can cause a serious infection inside the abdomen. Appendicitis is a condition that, although seen more frequently in children, is also common in adults.

Symptoms of appendicitis usually start with decreased appetite and then nausea. Some people even vomit. Pain can develop in the middle of the abdomen and then move to the lower right side. People with appendicitis also usually have a fever. If you think you have appendicitis, you should seek medical attention. The doctor will feel your abdomen and obtain blood tests. An

ultrasound and a CT scan may be done to look at the appendix.

Traditionally, when a diagnosis of appendicitis was made, a surgeon would remove the appendix as soon as possible to avoid rupture and infection. Not all patients with appendicitis experience a rupture, but it is impossible to know ahead of time who will or will not have this complication.

Recently, there have been studies done treating patients with antibiotics instead of surgery for appendicitis. Many of the patients treated with antibiotics did not need to have surgery. This does not apply to all patients with appendicitis, however. Before all patients receive antibiotics instead of surgery, more studies need to be done.

ABCs of Lowell History

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.

I is for Immigration

Michigan became a state in 1837. Land north of the Grand River could not be purchased until 1839 when treaties with the local Odawa opened the land to settlers. But, settlers came, "squatted" and began clearing the land before this. They came from areas where land was becoming scarce and where crop failure, war and poverty created "poor" conditions. They came looking for farmland and new opportunities.

The timing of Michigan land opening up coincided with Canada's Rebellion of 1838. This produced "Michigan Fever" in those seeking to escape war and fighting. Large numbers of Canadians and Americans living in Canada streamed westward across the border. Entire communities surrounding Lowell, such as Alton, were made up of settlers from Canada. Many of them settled with their same neighbors. Americans living in Canada had previously left New York or New England and now continued their westward migration with the opening of land offices in Michigan.

In the 1840's Ireland suffered from a potato



Kropf family shortly after arriving in Lowell, 1892.

blight that devastated the nation. It destroyed the staple of the Irish diet and produced famine. Hundreds of thousands of people were driven from their homes and forced to emigrate. Many Irish immigrated to Vergennes and Grattan Townships. The area is still known as the "Irish settlement."

The Swiss came during the 1880's and 1890's and settled near Alton. Later, some bought farms near Alto. The Swiss brought their skills, especially in woodworking and making cheese. Among these great cheese makers were Sam Wingeier, Fred Wittenbach, Chris Kropf, Sam Reusser and Christian Blaser. Chris Blaser is an example of success. He built a cheese factory in Alton in 1894. He received 900 pounds of milk each day for making cheese. He hired Gottfried Bieri as foreman of his factory and

by 1905 the newspaper noted that Chris shipped four tons of cheese to Detroit.

Many people emigrated with neighbors and friends from their home countries. Once here, they settled close to them where they could share a common language, religion and culture. Immigrant groups formed churches where they could maintain traditions from their homeland. Examples of these are the Zion Methodist Episcopal Church built by the Swiss and the St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Parnell built by the Irish.

The Immigrant experience of the Kropf family follows.

On December 28, 1860, Samuel Kropf (1837 – 1885) and Magdalena Oesch were married and settled in a home on the edge of the small village of Schwarzenegg, Canton Bern, Switzerland. Their home, which set a

few hundred yards down a lane behind the Kropf family chalet, was a long rectangular building on about six acres of land. It contained living quarters in one end with an area for livestock in the other. The roof rose just enough above the floor to allow for a loft, where the boys slept as the family grew.

The family grew to ten children: Friedrich, Jakob, Samuel, Christian, John, Karl, Gottfried, Lena and Rose. One son died at birth. Samuel was caretaker of 300 acres of government forest and also worked his farm. His work as Forester made it necessary for him to traipse in the woods in all kinds of weather, being wet and cold most of the time. At the age of 49 he was stricken with kidney failure and died.

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Teresa Hoffman named LWC Woman of the Year

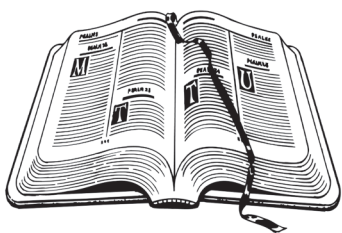
Teresa Hoffman was honored as Woman of the Year at the May meeting of the Lowell Women's Club. She was selected for her volunteering and commitment to Lowell Women's Club as well as the greater Lowell community. During her time as a member of LWC, Hoffman has contributed her leadership skills as president of the club for two years, mentoring student members, chairing



special committees, along with volunteering countless hours at club events. You may also recognize

Hoffman as an energetic, passionate volunteer with the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce. What's more, she is a successful realtor with Midwest Properties of Michigan.

area churches



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Pastor Andrew Bolcom • Pastor of Discipleship
Christi Swain • Director of Children's Ministries

SUNDAY WORSHIP.....9:30 AM (Nursery provided)
LIFE GROUPS11:00 AM (Nursery-Adult)
Awana (K-5 during school year) Wednesday, 6:15 PM

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Pastor Ryan Landt
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Morning Worship.....10:00 AM
Weekly Prayer Meeting - Mondays 7:00 PM
Barrier-Free

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Weekend Masses: Sat 5 pm; Sun 10:30 am
Confession: Saturdays 3-4:30 pm

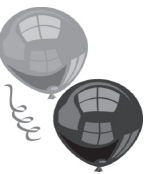
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WORSHIP
11 am on the Riverwalk

Sr. Pastor - Brad Brillhart

happy birthday



JUNE 9
Kristina Parish, Doris Plummer, Brianna Clouser, Josh Felling, Jerry Spencer.

JUNE 10
Jim Stone, Courtney Tulppo, April Decker, Gus Geldersma.

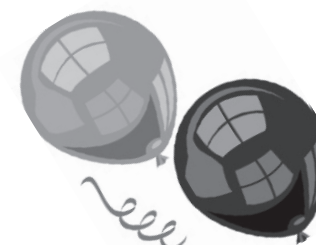
JUNE 11
Jeanne Boss, Terri S. Fonger, Dick Sturgis.

JUNE 12
Benjamin Zoodsma, Jenny Engle, Noah Green.

JUNE 13
Holly Fetterhoff, Vivian Hoskins.

JUNE 14
Kyle Manszewski.

JUNE 15
Joey Hunt Jr., Courtney Krebil, Caran Schalow, Rachel Heinicke, Katlin Manszewski, Alice Monks, Sam Richmond.



Expo on the Riverwalk is Saturday, June 12

Public debut of brand new “Lowell Showboat VI”

One of Lowell’s biggest and most popular springtime events is the annual Lowell Expo.

It’s traditionally been held at Lowell High School, where crowds of people would pack the gyms, hallways and classrooms.

Instead, this year’s Expo will take place on the Lowell Riverwalk on Saturday, June 12 from 10 am until 3 pm.

“The re-purposed version, ‘Expo on the Riverwalk,’ will be an outside event on Lowell’s Riverwalk,” Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce executive director Liz Baker said in a press release. “The event will take place on June 12 from 10 am to 3 pm, rain or shine!”

More than 75 local businesses, service groups, churches and government agencies are expected to participate, and there will also be a Lowell Bucks raffle, a chicken barbecue dinner will be provided by the Lowell Area Fire department and they’re planning an “Expo happy hour” that will take place in the Showboat City Social District.

After four years of work, the Expo event will also mark the public debut of the new “Lowell Showboat VI,”

venue, and there will be self-guided tours available throughout the day.

“As a life-long resident of Lowell, the Showboat represents so much of our history and is such an important connection for the community,” former state senator Dave Hildenbrand said in a press release. “I am so thankful for all those who made the new Showboat VI a reality. It will be a huge part of our fabric for many, many years.”

“The Lowell Showboat is the epicenter of our downtown,” Lowell city manager Michael Burns said in a press release. “Being the ‘Showboat City,’ we are excited to be able to make this the showpiece our community deserves.”

“The Showboat has been designed to replicate riverboats of the past,” Baker said in a press release. “You will be able to view the grand staircase, the special wall coverings on the first and second deck, the tin ceilings and the custom-made pilot’s wheel, located in the third-floor pilot house.

An Expo booklet with a map and a ton of information about the many vendors is currently available at the Lowell Ledger office, 105 N. Broadway, and at many



other downtown businesses.

“Along with live person-to-person booths, the committee will produce an Expo booklet that serves as a marketing piece for ongoing promotion of businesses and organizations,” Baker said in a press release. “The Expo booklet will also contain a golden raffle ticket for a chance to win Lowell Bucks.”

NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING

Budget & Taxation Hearing Proposed 2021-2022 Budget

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF LOWELL, MICHIGAN; The Board of Education will hold a public hearing to consider the District’s proposed 2021-2022 budget. The Board may not adopt its proposed budget until after a public hearing. A copy of the proposed budget, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the administration building. **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.**

DATE OF MEETING: June 14, 2021

PLACE OF MEETING: Administration Building
Board of Education Room
300 High Street, Lowell, Michigan

HOUR OF MEETING: 6:50 p.m.

TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF BOARD OF EDUCATION: (616) 987-2501

Board minutes are located at the office of the Board of Education, Administration Building, 300 High Street or on the district website.

Upon request to the Office of the Superintendent, the District shall make reasonable accommodations for a person with disabilities to be able to participate in this meeting.

VERGENNES TOWNSHIP TOWNSHIP BOARD

NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE

On May 17, 2021, Vergennes Township (the “Township”) adopted Ordinance No. 2021-01 (the “Ordinance”) Amending the Vergennes Township/Murray Lake Dock and Boat Ordinance. The following is a summary of the Ordinance. A true copy of the Ordinance is available at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, P.O. Box 208, Lowell, MI 49331 – Phone (616) 897-5671 or on the website www.vergennestwp.org.

Section 1. Raft and Dock Ownership Identification. This section amends provisions regarding the identity and use of rafts and docks.

Section 2. Dock Width. This section amends provisions dealing with the width and shape of docks.

Section 3. Dock Length. This section amends provisions regarding the placement of docks.

Section 4. Dock Requirements. This section limits the size and location of canopies.

Section 5. Boat Storage Device Design Requirements. This section includes a provision prohibiting the addition of any permanent or stabilizing material to be added to bottom lands.

Section 6. Channels and Canals. This section amends provisions regarding prohibition about attaching docks and other items to bottom lands of channels and canals.

Section 7. Single Family Usage Only. This section amends provisions regarding who is considered the family to be the owner of a the lake property.

Section 8. Effective Date. This section provides that the Ordinance shall become effective 30 days following publication

Dated: May 17, 2021

Shantell Ford
Township Clerk
10381 Bailey Drive
P.O. Box 208
Lowell, MI 49331

Lowell Pride, continued



BRIT read three children's books aloud during drag queen story hour.

Ingrid Theresa] said during an interview between performances. "There's been a lot of backlash towards it, so I am very excited that it happened here. Obviously,

the LGBTQIA Health Consortium and Family Over Everything.

"The panel was great," Lintemuth said. "We had six panelists who answered



the support is amazing. It's a big crowd, a lot bigger than we thought it was going to be, and the protesters against it were a lot smaller than we

thought they were going to be. It's been exciting. I love it and I hope they do this every year. After this year, it will for sure be happening again next year and the years after that. I am excited for it."



Crocheter Becky Martin sponsored a booth at Lowell Pride.

thought they were going to be. It's been exciting. I love it and I hope they do this every year. After this year, it will for sure be happening again next year and the years after that. I am excited for it."

"There were so many amazing moments, it would be hard to pick just one," Lintemuth said. "My favorite was probably seeing the families walking around and getting a chance to chat with them between events. There was such a positive and loving energy to the whole day. It was beautiful to see so many Lowell residents enjoying themselves. It was a long day and there were lots of happy people."

Later in the afternoon there was a panel discussion with representatives from

to each other, respect their existence and appreciate the beauty of diversity. After the panel, the panelists stayed around and answered questions directly with the audience and took pictures. It was so great to see the response to this event."

Around 5 pm, there was an "any body can wear any thing" fashion show.

"The fashion show was amazing," Lintemuth said. "We had 17 models who participated, plus one extra special addition who impressed us all with the fantastic outfit she handmade, so technically 18 models! It was beautiful to hear their stories of what Pride means to them and see the fantastic fashions."

About 50 vendors lined the Riverwalk and filled

the grassy area around the Englehardt Library, offering many different products and services to the throng of attendees.

"We are really excited to be here today at Lowell Pride," said Sara McMullin, branch outreach and programming specialist of the KDL Englehardt Branch. "Pride, to me, is being who you are, being true to yourself and loving one another. We have a booth here with different LGBTQIA materials. We've got books for all ages, we've got some fun pins that we're giving out, we've got different supplies for creating library cards, for summer reading club and for our Summer Wonder program and we're just providing a safe place for the community."

The vendors included Becky Martin, who was selling handmade crocheted items, including crop tops, keychains and "other little items."

"I just love to celebrate everybody, and I think it's important that everyone feels welcomed and loved," Martin said.

Matt Parrott, who is opening a Mexican restaurant called Ripple in the former location of Springrove Variety, was one of the event's sponsors. He had a booth even though the restaurant probably won't open until the end of summer.

"We are happy to be one of the sponsors of the Pride festival," Parrott said. "We just thought it would be



Two protesters from Bible Believers Church showed up, but their efforts were blocked by members of the crowd.

a good way to tell people about our new restaurant and back something that we believe in."

Christine Gardner Terpening is an artist with Happy Suz & Co., who had t-shirts with various graphics and slogans for sale at Lowell Pride. Gardner Terpening described herself as a "late in life lesbian" who came out of the closet in her 40s after a long struggle and with the support of her three children.

Heidi Newfield. It's a really awesome country song, but I was driving in my truck one day and I was like, forget them! I want a love like Edie and Thea!"

That is a reference to Edith Windsor and Thea Spyer and the US v. Windsor court case that was a large part of overturning the Defense of Marriage Act.

The only instance of "bad vibes" during the otherwise happy, peaceful day was the arrival of two protesters from

next to the library directly in the middle of the event. They were quickly surrounded by Lowell Pride attendees, who held their own signs and flags over and in front of the two protesters, who soon left.

"We're out here just to proclaim the gospel of the lord, Jesus Christ," said Nick Rogers, one of the two protesters.

"They got tired of being ignored and gave up, and they didn't come back," Lintemuth said. "I am so proud of our event security, volunteers and attendees who were so fantastic in blocking their hate. It was a perfect moment that I will never forget."

Lintemuth said from the stage on Saturday that there would most likely be a similar event next June.

"Myself and the whole planning committee would just like to thank everyone who came down and took some time out of a busy, hot, day to check out Pride," Lintemuth said. "We couldn't have done it without our amazing volunteers, vendors and community members. Pride is not just about us the planners or the talent. It's a give and take between everyone. We all had a hand in making that day perfect."



"You make your mess your message, so I've taken to making T-shirts," Gardner Terpening said. "I'm a fine artist, I actually do paintings, plein air paintings and commissioned paintings. So I took my design talents and I'm using it on T-shirts, which I also have on my website, happysuz.com. They all have a specific meaning to me. I'm a country girl, and I love the song 'I Want a Love Like Johnny and June' by

Bible Believers Church, 404 N. Hudson, who carried large signs, which they held high over their heads while standing on the sidewalk



Pride Month: Nicole Lintemuth of Bettie's Pages



Nicole Lintemuth is the owner of Bettie's Pages, a vintage-inspired used bookstore located at 216 E. Main Street. The store has an extensive selection of books and gifts and aims to be an inclusive space, making its mark in downtown Lowell as a bastion of love and acceptance for those in Lowell's LGBTQ+ community.

Lintemuth, who is bisexual, grew up in the small town of Manistique in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. She has a loyal following of LGBTQ+ customers, many of whom are young adults, who recognize Bettie's Pages as more than just a bookstore, but as a place where they can feel fully accepted for who they are. Often conversation shifts quickly from talking books to sharing her experiences

growing up in a small rural town.

"Inclusivity is so important to me because I grew up in a small town and felt so alone as a kid. In a world before social media I had no language for who I was and what I felt. It was scary and confusing. So now, as an out and proud adult I basically create all the things I would have loved to have had as a kid. To see a space where I could be open, accepted, and loved for exactly who I am. I want that for everyone," says Lintemuth.

Lintemuth takes great care in curating a selection diverse books in her store. She is passionate about sharing stories with her customers that highlight experiences of those in the LGBTQ community, and has book recommendations for all ages.

"For littlest kids I love Prince and Knight and Maiden and Princess (both written by Daniel Haack), because everyone deserves a fairytale. For middle grade, I am a huge fan of Molly Knox Ostertag's newest one, *The Girl from the Sea*, which is a play on the selkie myth, or *Estranged* by Ethan Aldridge, which is a fantastic graphic novel that hits on found family and being true to yourself. YA has so many, but my faves are *Heartstopper* (written by Alice Oseman) because I love a good bi romance or the *Black Flamingo* (written by Dean Atta)."

"In the book world there is this idea of Own Voices. Those are books written by members of different marginalized communities that accurately reflect their own experiences and share their stories. It's so important to me that we have these stories in Bettie's Pages -- that people of all ages can find stories where they can see themselves as the main character. This helps to normalize all of our experiences, and at the same time makes it easier for people outside of the community to learn and grow as well."

Beyond making an LGBTQ-friendly space in her store, Lintemuth has been a voice for the Queer Community in Lowell and beyond, organizing the first-ever Lowell Pride event, a

highly successful celebration that drew attendees from all over Michigan.

"I felt like Lowell needed a Pride celebration because like I said, I know what it's like to grow up in a small community and feel so alone. Too often small, historically conservative towns like Lowell are overlooked and dismissed as lost causes for diversity and inclusion. But there is a lot more here than people realize. And I wanted to celebrate that. We shouldn't always have to drive to Grand Rapids or Lansing or Kalamazoo just to feel accepted and loved. We deserve to have that in our town too."

"Pride means celebrating all that we've accomplished over the years as a community. It means recognizing the struggles we still face, and creating a space where we can let our hair down and just feel safe and accepted. We still have so much work to do, but it's important to take the time to recognize where we've come from and celebrate that as we continue forward. Celebrating Pride is so important because we have faced so much as a community and have contributed so much to the world. But too often those accomplishments have been swept under the rug. Having that time and place to celebrate, remember and honor our past helps to build a better future."



Nicole Lintemuth addressing the crowd to kick off Lowell Pride on Saturday, June 5.

Between the daily operations of running a small business and planning next year's Pride event, Lintemuth has plenty to keep her busy, but she won't be stopping there. She is currently working on a number of projects, including creating a local chapter of PFLAG, a national organization that unites parents, friends, and families of LGBTQ+ individuals for support and advocacy.

"I have so many plans! I don't know how to turn my

brain off and so I just fill notebooks with all my ideas and plans. I'm working on starting a PFLAG chapter locally to provide support especially for our allies and family members. Lowell Pride will be a yearly celebration that hopefully will continue to grow and reflect our amazing community. And Bettie's Pages will be here for a long, long time providing books, events and support to our community."



MI recognizes LGBTQ Pride Month for first time ever

In a legislative first, both the House and Senate today approved resolutions Thursday recognizing June as LGBTQ Pride Month.

Sen. Jeremy Moss' (D-Southfield) SR 60 cleared the Senate and Rep. Tim Sneller's (D-Burton) HR 122 both passed by voice votes, signaling an end to five straight years of similar resolutions being sent by Republican leadership to committee to die.

In the Michigan Legislature, rules were suspended to allow for the immediate consideration and ultimate passing of SR 0060, the Senate's first-ever time commemorating Pride Month.

The resolution this year, adopted on a voice vote, included sponsorship from two Republican senators, Sens. Wayne Schmidt (R-Traverse City) and Jim Stamas (R-Midland).

Only Democrats sponsored the House resolution.

"All of this, the rebellions, the legal challenges and the visibility of LGBTQ people you know and care about finally led to the symbolic, yet incredibly significant, first-ever recognition of LGBTQ Pride Month from the Michigan Legislature," Moss said at the Senate session on Friday, June 4. "I appreciate this first step on that journey, and to my fellow LGBTQ Michiganders, happy Pride Month from the Michigan Senate."

LGBTQ Pride Month honors the 1969 Stonewall uprising, a six-day comeback by LGBTQ protesters, kicked off by a Black transgender woman named Marsha Johnson, after the police raided a popular gay bar in New York City.

At that time, New York stamped homosexuality as a criminal offense and cross-dressing was outlawed. It makes the Stonewall riots

a crusade for visibility and self-affirmation, on its 51st year of being memorialized and still provoking questions on inclusivity.

In his statement, Moss mentioned Johnson of the Stonewall uprising and the 2020 US Supreme Court ruling safeguarding LGBTQ employees under the 1964 US Civil Rights Act.

The ruling featured the case of Aimee Stephens from Livonia, who was fired after six years of working as a male funeral director after informing her boss she was transgender and would be continuing her profession as a woman.

"We don't have the privilege of shying away from these political fights, whether in the streets or in the courts, when our mere existence has long been subject to scrutiny and decision-making from those who don't share our lived experience, and some who want to dismiss it and erase it altogether," Moss said.

"I'm proud to be visible here in the Michigan Senate, the first person to ever share the voice of our LGBTQ community at this podium."

In 2020, the 50th anniversary of LGBTQ Pride celebrations and five-year marking of the US Supreme Court decision assuring the right to same-sex marriage in all 50 states, a similar Moss resolution was introduced and left untouched within the Republican-governed Legislature.

"Nice work to my legislative colleagues," said former Rep. Jon Hoadley (D-Kalamazoo), who sponsored the original resolution back in 2015.

"Finally having Pride recognized took years but worth it if it helps even one person feel less alone. [...] Now we need to keep it going and do Elliott-Larsen expansion to include LGBTQ people next."

Red Arrow

- SOFTBALL

SPORTS

Softball season comes to end against Wyoming

by Justin Scott
sports reporter

The Lowell varsity softball team had their first season in two years come to an end this past weekend, falling to the hands of Wyoming in the district championship game. Lowell's semifinal opponent, Ottawa Hills, opted not to compete with

Lowell, officially receiving a bye into the finals against the hosts, Wyoming, who beat Forest Hills Central in the semifinals. Wyoming was established in 2012 as a combination of one-time Lowell conference foes Wyoming Rogers and Wyoming Park.

In the game against

the Wolves, Lowell found themselves at the wrong end of a 16-1 scoreline thanks to some efficient use of small ball by the hosts. Wyoming used a nine run third inning to run away with the game, ending in a mercy rule after the fourth inning. Kamie Venema led the way for Lowell with

two hits in two at-bats. Taylor Clark scored Haylie Beers in the third inning

to get the run in for LHS. Macy Huver recorded three strikeouts on the mound.

The Red Arrows ended the season at 14-17.



Lowell seniors Faith Worsley, Taylor Clark, and Jillian Weston being honored during Senior Day. Photo courtesy of Lowell Softball.

In Memory of Jessie E. Stephens Jessie's birthday is June 7, 1987

She is remembered with continued love from her family.

She is remembered for her spirit.

She was funny, gregarious and silly.

She brightened every where she went.

She loved her family and excited her

niece and nephew every time

they got together.

Her pure joy is missed by all.

Happy Birthday Jessie!

Your Family & Friends



D-Day: June 6, 1944

On June 6, 1944, over 156,000 Allied soldiers began landing on the Utah, Juno, Sword, Omaha and Gold beaches in Normandy, France for a massive surprise attack on the Nazis. This event was known then as "Operation Neptune."

At the time, Germany had captured France and the Nazis were working their way toward Britain. Thanks to spying, the Germans knew the Allies were planning a large attack, they just didn't know when or where. To keep the Germans busy and

airfields and other important structures.

To further confuse the enemy, the Allies used spy-ing again, this time to make the Nazis think the attack would come north of Normandy, at a place called Pas de Calais.

There was terrible weather on the day of the invasion, and Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower nearly cancelled it. More than 7,000 Allied ships, including 3,500 troop carriers, 290 escort vessels and 250 minesweepers, attacked at

the attack. The fighting on the beaches was incredibly fierce and many lives on both sides were lost. At the end of the first day, Allied casualties are estimated at 10,000, with over 4,000 confirmed dead.

By the 17th of June, over 500,000 Allied troops had touched ground and began to move the Nazis out of France permanently. Allies captured Paris on Aug. 25 and were already in Belgium by September. By April, 1945 they were in Munich. After Hitler killed himself, the



to slow down their response to the Normandy invasion, just before the invasion the Allies deployed over 1,000 bombers each day to wreck railroads, bridges,

high tide to better avoid mines and other obstacles placed there by the Nazis. Paratroopers and warships also played a major role in

Nazis finally surrendered in Berlin on May 8, 1945. The decisive victory at D-Day is credited as the spark that led to the victory over Nazism.

Red Arrow

- TRACK

SPORTS

Rau and Diamond earn all-state honors

submitted by Paul Judd

Lowell qualified three athletes for the MHSAA District 1 State Meet at East Kentwood high school and when the day was over, two landed all-state honors.

Senior Kaylee Diamond kicked off the day in the high jump where she went 5-06.00 after clearing 5-02 and 5-04 without any misses which put her in a tie for third place. The 5.5 points were enough to allow Lowell to finish in 26th place. In other field



Joshua Rau places third in the 110mHH.

event action, Diamond went 16-01.75 in the long jump and Theresa Judd went 9-09 in the pole vault.

On the track, Joshua Rau won his 110mHH heat in 15.02, which gave him the second overall seed going into the finals. In the finals he went 14.80 into a strong headwind to grab third place. Later in the 300m hurdles he drew lane one and ran a 40.85 which was good for ninth place overall. Rau's six points put Lowell in 33rd place in the meet.



Kaylee Diamond tied for third in the high jump.

- CREW

Crew team competes at State meet

by Justin Scott
sports reporter

The best crew teams in the state of Michigan converged on Grand Rapids last Sunday for the Division II Michigan State Championship Regatta held at Riverside Park along the banks of the Grand River. The Lowell crew team, which has been in existence since 2003, was one of over 20 teams competing.

After missing out on last year's season due to the

COVID-19 pandemic, this year's team was eager to get back on the water more so than usual.

The team of Delaney Viewig and Mara Carbines rowed to a 7:41.6 in the Women's 2x. In the men's 2x, Leo Tavarone and Evan Schulte recorded a 6:57.2 respectively. In the men's varsity 4x, the Lowell boat with Tavarone as coxswain beat out Crestwood by just under four seconds with a

time of 6:08.9. This time qualified them for the finals where they would end up placing sixth.

Maya Kemp recorded a time of 8:56.6 in the women's single. In the men's singles, Branch Nietling recorded a fast time of 6:26.3, which qualified him for the finals, by beating out his opponent from Detroit Catholic Central where he ended up placing sixth.

Athletic Department projects continue progress

Various projects initiated by the Lowell Athletic Department continue to make progress. The largest and most visible project is the construction of the athletic complex on the north part of the high school campus. "The progress on the new turf stadium and concession/bathroom building is amazing. I came in one

morning and there was one light pole in position, and then when I left at the end of the day, all four light poles were in place. On another day, the pressbox was on a trailer in the lower parking lot in the morning and by the time I left later that day, the pressbox was on the bleachers at the new stadium. It is very exciting to see the progress every day, and I can't wait to see our student-

athletes and fans enjoying the new facilities in the fall," Athletic Director Dee Crowley stated. "I am extremely grateful to the community who approved the bond and the district administration, including previous Supt. Greg Pratt and current Supt. Nate Fowler, for addressing the needs of our district in all areas," Crowley added.

- BASEBALL

Baseball performs valiantly in district loss to Rockford

by Justin Scott
sports reporter

In Saturday's district baseball tournament, the Lowell Red Arrows varsity baseball team knocked out Greenville in the semifinals before falling in the district championship game against the Rockford Rams.

Lowell won the game against Greenville by a score of 6-1 advancing to the district final against host Rockford. In the finals, Lowell put up a spirited effort against the Rams. Rockford came into the game ranked seventh in the state with a 27-6 record. Despite the strong performance, Lowell fell 9-6, a major improvement from earlier 21-9 and 10-0 losses to the Rams. Historically, Lowell is now 39-57-3 against Rockford.

Earlier last week, Lowell lost to Hudsonville, 13-6. Peyton Teachworth led the way hitting for Lowell at 2-3 at the plate. Lowell finished the season with a 24-15 record and won seven of eight conference series this season. Rockford advanced to the regional finals where they took on Forest Hills Northern.

Earning honorable mention all-conference honors for Lowell were Peyton Teachworth and Aidan McWayne. All-conference honors were awarded to Kyle Teachworth, Kyler Spike, Xander Reisbig, and Jaxson Carlisle.



Lowell finished their season with a 24-15 record.

obituaries

AUSTIN

James R. Austin (Jim), age 63, of Lowell, MI died Saturday, May 29, 2021 after a long battle of Parkinson's, dementia, and two time cancer survivor. He was an avid sports fan. Jim loved bowling, golfing, and softball (known to most as Big Red). He enjoyed camping with his family and friends. Jim enjoyed making things with wood and spending time with his family. His quick wit and gruff personality will be dearly missed. Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Bryce and Maxine Post and Buff Austin. He is survived by his loving wife of 37 years, Barb Austin; children, Scott (Anna) Denton, Jamie (Aaron)

Baily, Shawna (Chris) Drayton; 13 grandchildren; aunt, Phyllis Ketchum; sisters-in-law, Beverly (David) Dub, Patricia Polin; brother-in-law, Gary (Renee) Malczynski; and many nieces and nephews. A celebration of life will be held July 24, 2021 at 2 pm located at 1055 Alden Nash Ave SE, Lowell 49331. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Emmanuel Hospice, 401 Hall Street, Ste. 263, Grand Rapids, MI 49503.



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ELZINGA

Robert James Elzinga, age 73 of Lowell, passed away Friday, December 4, 2020. We would like to invite you to Bob's Celebration of Life on Saturday, June 19, 2021, service starting at 11 AM with an open house following from 1-3 PM at 5125 108th Street SE, Caledonia, Michigan, 49316. Memorial Contributions in Bob's honor can be sent to Spectrum Health Hospice 750 Fuller Avenue N.E. Grand Rapids, MI 49503.



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LEGAL NOTICE

TO ALL CREDITORS: The Settlor, Ambrose P. Illig, who lived at 2156 Creekside Drive, Byron Center, MI 49315, died 4/25/2021. There is no personal representative of the settlor's estate to whom Letters of Administration have been issued.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the Illig Family Trust, as amended and Restated on 2/11/2008 and amended on 5/20/2011, will be forever banned unless presented to Dana Anderson and Steve Anderson,

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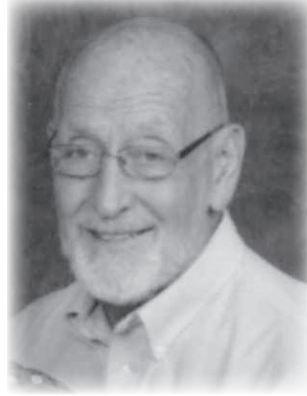
Notice is further given that the Trust will thereafter be assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

Dana Anderson and Steve Anderson
Successor Co-Trustees
3232 Woodview Hills
Caledonia, MI 49316

Prepared by:
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NUGENT

Dennis Ligouri Nugent, age 73, of Parnell passed away on Monday, May 31, 2021. He was born on September 27, 1947 in Greenville to Ligouri and Lucille (Heether) Nugent. He lived his entire life in Parnell within a half-mile of where he was raised. He attended St. Patrick's School until the high school closed at the end of his sophomore year. He completed his education at Lowell High School, graduating with the class of 1965. On July 11, 1969, he married Mary Schrauben at St. Joseph's Church in Belding. For over 51 years of marriage, his primary focus was Mary and their children and grandchildren. He supported them in all of their activities over the years. He was a farmer at heart and in his younger years he farmed in partnership with his brother Terry. Even when not working on the farm, he continued to collect Farmall tractors and repaired and restored them with his son Kevin. He also loved helping his nephew Mike with whatever was happening on the farm. He built a career in heating and cooling, eventually starting his own company, Nugent Heating and Cooling. Denny was a lifelong member of St. Patrick's Church. He served the church in many capacities over the years: serving as an usher and chairman of the Parish Council, leading fund drives, taking care of the parish cemetery, working at the parish festival, and doing whatever else was needed at the church. Additionally, he was an active volunteer for the Grattan Township Historical Society. He is survived by his wife, Mary; their children, Pat Nugent, Betsy and Todd Wieland, Kerry and Kyle Gargaro, and Kevin and Loie Nugent; their grandchildren, Ben Gargaro, Joey Gargaro, Nic and Aly Wieland, and Brooke and Caden Francisco; and great-grandchildren, Jake, Beau, and Rhyn Wieland; his sisters, Phyllis and John Powell, Kathleen and Tom Evans, Jean and Dan Fitzpatrick, Sharon and Mike Plaska, and Joan and Jack Weeber; his sister-in-law, Jean Nugent; brother-in-law, Dan and Barb Schrauben; and sister-in-law, Therese Schrauben; along with many nieces, nephews, and cousins and their families. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother, Terry; his stepfather, Wilson Slowinski; his wife's parents, Maurice and Doris Schrauben; and brothers-in-law, Bob and Tom Schrauben. Mass of Christian Burial was held Saturday, June 5, 2021 at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Parnell with Father Thomas Cavera as celebrant. Committal prayers were followed in St. Patrick Cemetery. Memorials may be given to St. Patrick Catholic Church. To share a message of condolence or light a candle in memory of Denny, please visit the website of the funeral home at www.jffh.com.



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ROUDABUSH

Sam Roudabush, age 70 of Lowell, passed away peacefully at home, after a year long courageous battle with cancer. He is preceded in death by his daughter-in-law, Melissa Roudabush; grandson, Logan Roudabush;



parents-in-law, Robert and Marian Lee; and sister-in-law, Alyce Hirschi (Lee). Sam is survived by his wife, Bonnie Roudabush; children, Tom Roudabush, Mike (Joy) Roudabush; grandchildren, Sarah Roudabush, Jenna Roudabush, Aaron Roudabush, Carson Roudabush; parents, Virgil

and Carmen Roudabush; brothers, Joel (Brenda) Roudabush; sister-in-law, Pat (Bill) Ashby; brothers-in-law, Dick (Patti) Lee, Jay (Kathleen) Hirschi; uncle, Dave Powell and Delores; and several nieces and nephews. Sam graduated from Lowell High School in 1969 and went on to management in grocery. He was an avid golfer; he was proud of his two hole-in-ones. Sam loved to bowl along with playing online card games. A memorial service will take place from 1-4 PM on Saturday, July 3, 2021, at the King Building, 225 S. Broadway, Lowell, Michigan, 49331 (Near the 4-H fairgrounds). Family asks that you wear your golf attire to honor Sam. Memorial contributions can be made to Spectrum Health Hospice, 750 Fuller Avenue NE, Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49503 or American Cancer Society, 129 Jefferson St. SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49503.

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Social Security and protection from scams

World Elder Abuse official government Awareness Day is on June 15. On this day, and throughout the month, communities, seniors, caregivers, governments, organizations and the private sector unite to prevent the mistreatment of and violence against older people.

Social Security imposter scams are widespread across the United States. Scammers use sophisticated tactics to deceive you into providing sensitive information or money. They target everyone – even the elderly – and their tactics continue to evolve.

Most recently, Social Security's Office of the Inspector General has received reports of phone scammers creating fake versions of the identification badges most Federal employees use to gain access to Federal buildings. The scammers may text or email photos of the fake badges to convince potential victims of their legitimacy. These badges use government symbols, words and even names and photos of real people, which are available on government websites or through internet searches.

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Live the Life You Want

Latest technology to help diagnose and treat ADHD

Melissa Spino MA LPC CDMS
Life Transitions Therapy LLC

My office gets calls regularly from individuals wanting to be evaluated, diagnosed, and treated for ADHD. Many are sure they have ADHD and want to be diagnosed after one meeting with a therapist. There is no single test to diagnose ADHD and it can't be done in one session.

There are various ways to diagnose it but it typically includes multiple evaluations and assessment tests that take several sessions to complete. The FDA has also approved the use of the Neuropsychiatric EEG-Based Assessment Aid (NEBA) System. This is a noninvasive scan that measures theta and beta brain waves which can

help to determine ADHD in those aged six to 17 years. However, the NEBA is not a standalone test and may be used as part of a complete medical and psychological exam.

ADHD is one of the most common children's health concerns. In the USA, about 6.4 million children ages 4-17 suffer from severe attention and emotional issues that affect their daily lives. In the past 8-10 years, this has increased by about 42 percent. Children typically show the signs of ADHD between the ages of 3-6 years old. Even though symptoms often resolve into adulthood, approximately four percent of American adults (around nine million) also have ADHD. The good news is that it's treatable

and now there are newer technologies hoping to make diagnosing quicker and treatment more streamlined.

Latest Technology

This article will focus on two recent tech systems (video games and VR tools) meant to diagnose and treat ADHD. Both Cognitive Leap and Akili feel their systems will change the way ADHD is diagnosed and/or managed.

Cognitive Leap's Virtual Reality Attention Tracker System (VRAT) is a digital ADHD Diagnostic Assessment and Virtual Classroom that is currently in clinical trials as part of the FDA approval process. They hope to offer it to the public soon.

On the treatment

side, last summer the FDA approved Akili Interactive's EndeavorRx™ (AKL-T01) video game. This is the first video game approved to help treat ADHD in children.

It's a therapeutic gaming device that is designed to improve inattention or the combined-type ADHD in those 8-12 years old. The data on its effectiveness looks promising. For those interested, I'm told it does require a doctor's prescription.

These two companies hope to provide a more objective form of diagnosis and treatment. However, this isn't the first time technology has been used in diagnosing ADHD (EEG mentioned above, etc.) yet none have had mainstream use. I believe we will see

more of these types of technology to provide additional options beyond our current assessments, treatments, and medication.

As always, there are those that are not convinced by the clinical trial data and will stick to the tried-and-true way of diagnosing and treating ADHD but it is good to know alternatives exist.

More research does need to be done but technology to assist with mental health issues isn't going away. It's another resource to help those with challenges live fulfilling and full lives! I hope you find this article helpful but it's not intended to diagnose or treat.

BOWNE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

On Monday June 21, 2021 the Bowne Township Board of Trustees will hear public comments related to the following request. The public hearing will be held at 7:00 P.M. at the Historic Township Hall, located at 8240 Alden Nash SE, Alto concerning the following:

1. Amendment to Article 2: Section 2.48 – Lot Definitions

An amendment to the definition of the area of a lot for the creation of a "back-lot" provision to the Bowne Township Zoning Ordinance.

2. Amendment to Article 3: Section 3.01 – Access to a Street

An amendment to Section 3.01 to permit access to a street for back lot properties with a dedicated 66-foot right-of-way easement owned by the back lot property owner with the provision that said property owner must maintain the minimum lot width stipulated by the applicable zoning district.

3. Amendment to Article 3: Section 3.08 – Driveways

An amendment to Section 3.08 to add a "shared-use" driveway for the exclusive use of only two back-lot parcels.

4. Amendment to Article 3: Section 3.24 – Private Roads

An amendment to Section 3.24 to establish private roads for the usage of three or more parcels that share said private roadway. The private roadway must meet all the minimum Township, County, and State roadway construction and design guidelines.

The amendments and any other information will be available for review and written comments will be received until 4:00 P.M. Monday June, 21 2021 at Bowne Township Hall, 8240 Alden Nash SE, Alto, Michigan 49302. All interested parties will be heard at the meeting.

Bradley S. Kotrba
Planning & Zoning Administrator
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ABCs, continued

Jakob (1864-1926) continued his father's commission from the government and provided the major portion of the family income. Nevertheless, it was a difficult existence, even though everyone old enough to help did their share. They raised rabbits and sold them. They had cows and spread their manure on the fields to enrich the hay crop. They dug peat from around the house to sell and Samuel (1868-1927) worked in a cheese factory.

In the mid 1880's, friends and neighbors began leaving for America and the idea began to grow in the thoughts of Magdalena's sons. In 1886 Samuel accompanied the Gottlieb Roth family to the United States to look over the prospects. Many of the Swiss had settled in the area around Alton

and this is where Samuel looked to bring the family. In December of 1887 he wrote that his family should come. He had found work for Chris, John, Jakob and Karl on a farm nearby – at least for the coming summer and fall.

The decision was made to move the family so they sold their home and cows. In March of 1888 they left for America. The oldest son Fred had married his first cousin Elizabeth Kropf and they were expecting their second child. It was not a favorable time for them to leave, and his wife wanted to stay near her parents, so they remained behind. The family, now numbering eight, made their way to Bern and then by train to Paris, where they met another train that took them to the coast. There they boarded the ship that would be their home for the next eight days.

Most of their time was spent in a long room lined with bunk beds. All the immigrants were brought food to this room and they ate at a long table in the center of the room. During rough weather they were locked below deck, but on those days that were pleasant they spent much time above and often saw ships nearby. On one occasion the ships were so close they could even speak to the other ship as it passed by. The ship arrived in New York harbor in the late afternoon and they disembarked about 7:00 that evening.

The next day they left by train for Lowell where they were met by one of the Wingeier boys. Their possessions were loaded into his wagon, the family climbed up behind the horses and were taken to the Wingeier home one mile south of Alton where they stayed a few days until they could get settled.

One by one the children established themselves within the Swiss community.

Two years after Magdalena brought her children to the United States, son Friedrich, his wife Elizabeth, and their two

young children followed. A neighbor had written that Friedrich missed his family so much that he sat and cried for them. So Magdalena sold a cow, sent her son the money, and shortly thereafter the last of her children arrived. Fred and his family, who in time numbered two daughters and four sons, settled on farmland north of Lowell. In 1897 he rented and moved his family into the big farmhouse on the south shore of Murray Lake. He raised crops on the south side of Lally Rd. and pastured cattle on the island in Murray Lake. A shallow marshy area between the lakeshore and the island enabled him to drive the cattle to and from the island.

~From Historical Narrative compiled by Luanne Kaeb, Kay McDonald and Larry Wittenbach

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

Puzzle solutions on page 13

SURF SHOP WORD SEARCH

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Guess Who?

I am a model born in Michigan on June 10, 1992. Before I gained fame, I participated in equestrian sports. I was named "Rookie of the Year" after landing the cover of the *Sports Illustrated* swimsuit issue in 2011, and then the next two years.

Answer: *Kate Upton*

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to surfing.

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Answer: *Barrels*

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CLUES ACROSS

- Most courageous
- Insurance giant
- Small trace left behind
- In a way, signals
- The same letter or sound at the beginning
- The Great Lakes State
- Engage in a contest
- Drinks served to celebrate a birth (Spanish)
- Manpower
- Undivided
- Strong, magnetic metal
- People of Tanzania
- Sorts
- Cop car accessory
- Trade
- Sullen and ill-tempered
- Distinctive practices
- Motor vehicles
- Electrodes
- Polish river
- Human feet
- Make very hot
- Toppin and Kenobi are two
- Blackbird
- One point west of due

CLUES DOWN

- Large beer
- Third stomachs
- Rare Korean family name
- Hectoliter
- Aquatic invertebrate
- Where we live
- Poked holes in
- Partner to ways
- __ Ann
- County in New Mexico
- An electrically charged atom
- New Zealand conifer
- Type of brandy
- Comments to the audience
- Tears down
- Gifts for the poor
- More painful
- Good friend
- Lying in the same plane
- Line in a polygon
- Clouds of gas and dust
- Norse god
- Health care pro
- Close tightly
- One's holdings
- Became less intense
- Wilco frontman
- Woman (French)
- Expresses delight
- TV channel (abbr.)
- Beverage
- Unit of work or energy
- Cleaning accessory
- Dorm worker
- Argentina capital Buenos



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