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"Fest for the Nest" Fundraiser June 4

By Bill Lee
contributing writer

The residents of the Murray Lake neighborhood are a tight knit group. Over the last year they were lucky enough to share a profound experience. A pair of eagles had been spending time in the area, and when the couple began building a nest about 70 feet high by the lake, residents were excited and fascinated as they watched the eagles take care of five eggs together. They had even named the male eagle Justice and the female eagle Liberty. They learned that one eagle always stays with the nest and eggs while the other searches for food because the eggs need to be warm at all times.

In the beginning of March, Murray Lake resident Tammarie Arsulowicz noticed something peculiar. One of the eagles was on the ground at the bottom of the nest acting strangely. "One of my neighbors at 5 am saw her under the area where her nest is," said Arsulowicz. "It started to hiss at her and she thought that was odd so later in the morning I went out there and got pretty close to the eagle and noticed something was wrong."

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Elvis is in the house



Yes, indeed Elvis, not one but two, were in the house at The Old Theatre (TOT) in downtown Lowell on Saturday rocking it out. Dressed fully in Elvis's costumes, they brought the audience to their feet. Singing all the favorites including "Suspicious Minds" and many more.

Major tribute artist Tim Conley as Elvis I and young Liam Doyle as Elvis II.

The show was complete with dinner.

Planning Commission approves rezoning for future coffee drive-through

By Michelle Smith
contributing writer

The City of Lowell Planning Commission-Citizen Advisory Committee held a regular meeting May 9.

The committee passed the re-zoning of 2531 W. Main Street from industrial to general business. The currently vacant 0.8 acre parcel's intended future use is to house a Scooter's Coffee drive-through. A representative from Scooter's Coffee was present via teleconferencing and said

the service would be drive-through only, and there would be no public access to the facility. Scooter's Coffee currently has approximately a dozen locations in Michigan, according to the representative. The item will next go for approval before the Lowell City Council.

The committee also passed a proposed temporary outdoor storage contract with West Michigan Auto Exchange on the Lowell Fairgrounds at 300 Bowes Road. The intent of the contract is to

host a 10-day vehicle "tent sale" June 21-July 1. The event will have approximately 100 vehicles for sale and expects to draw 30-100 customers per day.

A Special Land Use yearly review was conducted and approved for 2179 Gee Drive. The property is being used as an Airbnb. The committee decided the tenant is adhering to the original contract conditions and approved the review.

Nest Fest, continued

From there the eagle began to have seizures. What Arsulowicz found out was that the female eagle was suffering from The Avian Flu. After a call to Louise Sagaert at Wildside Rehabilitation Center in Eaton Falls, Arsulowicz and her neighbor wrapped up Liberty in a blanket, crated her, and drove her to Dr. Rebecca Vincent, a veterinarian in Wyoming. While this was happening, Justice was sitting over the

couple's eggs, waiting. Unfortunately, Liberty died on the drive before she could get treatment, and even more unfortunate, eventually, Justice had to leave the nest to get food and the five eggs did not survive.

Residents of Murray Lake were quite saddened, but Arsulowicz was determined to make something good out of her experience with Liberty.

She, along with many others, has organized a fundraiser called "Fest for the Nest" that will take place at The Red Barn in Lowell on June 4 from 11 am – 2 pm. 100 percent of the profits will go toward Wildside Rehabilitation Center.

"After all that happened, I created this really good friendship with Louise and her team at Wildside," said Arsulowicz. "And I started learning about all the things that they do and the resources that they have to offer for the community just to bring awareness to wildlife in general. They take any injured wildlife but are known for their raptors. The biggest goal in coming

up with this fundraiser is to bring awareness to the great stuff that they are doing. The other piece of it is the education that they have to offer to the community."

The fundraiser will offer fun activities for families like food, a silent auction, and the ability to meet a real bald eagle up close. There will be many activities for children as well, a bounce house, face painting, games and crafts. Admission for adults is \$10 and children \$5, which includes lunch. Arsulowicz is still looking for additional sponsors to help with the cost of covering food for the event, and is very thankful to Barb Kropf, owner of The Red Barn for offering her space free of charge for the event.

The entire experience has been eye-opening for Arsulowicz from learning more about bald eagles, how they are treated medically, and most of all, meeting the people who volunteer their time and how much it costs to help rehabilitate injured wild animals at places like Wildside Rehabilitation Center.

"Wildside is a 501c3 so they run 100 percent off of donations," said Arsulowicz. "All of the people are volunteers and it's amazing to meet these people. They spend so much time there taking care of the eagles, rehabilitating them. Any medical bills come directly out of Wildside to pay for care in partnership with Dr. Vincent in Wyoming. So I'm just trying to shed light

on how much that costs to keep the center running. Last month they paid almost \$5,000 just for feed for all of the animals."

She, along with the other residents of Murray Lake, have been deeply moved by the death of Liberty and her eggs. Justice has remained in the area and recently has paired up with a new female. She is too young to mate this year but Arsulowicz is hopeful they will return to the same nest next year and begin the mating process all over again.

If you are interested in finding more information about "The Fest for the Nest" and how you can help, please reach out to Arsulowicz at tammariecarsulowicz@gmail.com

New flag raised



On Wednesday, May 11, a new flag was raised at Lowell Senior Neighbors, 314 S. Hudson Ave., Lowell. Six local veterans were in attendance and witnesses were in the Lowell Senior bus. The flag was donated by the Lowell Veterans Center, VFW Post 8303 and American Legion Post 152. Pictures right to left: Leo Peters, Herman Westrate Jr., Phil Matuk, David Maltman, Richard Polderdyk and John Kuk.

Alpha Care Center 5K run and Family Walk set for June 4

By Emma Palova contributing writer

The Alpha Care Center will hold its Annual Run and Walk, starting at Impact Church at 9 am on June 4 to the Riverfront Park. The registration is \$25 per person, up to the start of the event, and for the max of \$60 per family.

"We will have a lot of prizes," said executive director, Christa Wetzel.

The first walk started in 2004 and the run was added in 2015. "It is our major fundraising endeavor," she said.

The fundraising goal is \$15,000. Wetzel said their best event yet was the virtual one in 2020, which raised \$17,000. "The money goes toward our annual budget and operational expenses," she said. "We're expanding the event until noon and providing lunch."

Wetzel hopes to see an increase in participation. "This will help our

community," she said. "We are appreciative of businesses that are sponsoring us."

Everyone will get a t-shirt, hot dogs and vouchers. Register on

alphacenter.org/get-involved/events-campaigns



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

REQUEST: The Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing to consider an application from Kevin Klahn to rezone a parcel containing 6.98 acres from the AG-1, Prime Agricultural zoning district to the LI, Light Industrial zoning district.

LOCATION: 11969 60th Street SE being parcel number 41-20-33-400-021. This parcel is located at the northwest corner of 60th Street SE and Alden Nash Avenue.

The hearing will be held as follows:

WHEN: MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2022
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
WHERE: LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP HALL
2910 ALDEN NASH AVENUE SE
LOWELL, MI. 49331

Any person is welcome to attend the meeting and offer comments regarding this request. Information on the proposed request is available for review at the Lowell Charter Township Offices, 2910 Alden Nash Avenue, SE, Lowell, MI. 49331 during normal office hours on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday or by calling 897-7600.

Materials pertaining to this request may also be viewed on the Township web site at www.lowelltp.org five days before the meeting.

Greg Forde, Secretary
Lowell Charter Township
Planning Commission

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Clarke, Effert, and PerShayla to play at the Showboat

By Bill Lee
contributing writer

Although the free concert, May 22 at the Showboat, is not part of Lowell's Sizzlin' Summer Concert series, it will be an excellent way to kick off outdoor live music before the summer officially begins. Headlining the concert will be three local musicians - Patty PerShayla and the Mayhops, Sandra Effert, and Ryne Clarke. The brainchild of Cliff Yankovich, the concert will celebrate Chimera Design's 20th anniversary in Lowell. "Julie (Claire Devoe) and I are really excited because we both love music and thought that thanking Lowell with music is a great way to kick off the summer," said Yankovich.

All three musicians play their own unique brand of music, but all have sounds that cross genres. Patty PerShayla and the Mayhops are known for their bluesy-rock sound, but Patty is

also known for her ukulele renditions of 80s rock songs like "Closer to the Heart" by Rush. Sandra Effert plays the piano and sings and has been compared to Regina Spektor and Ingrid Michaelson. "I've heard it coined as indie-piano-soul-pop," joked Effert. She has also been known to play and sing alongside her roommate, Patty, on occasion. Ryne Clarke, who loves to collaborate with a multitude of musicians, has a folk-rock sound with a twist as he has the skill to play a variety of instruments including his many guitars, the banjo, drums, keys, and the electric kazoo.

Cliff Yankovich has seen all three of them play live, and one of the reasons he enjoys them has more to do with their similarities. "What I like about all of them is that they write original music," said Yankovich. He has history with all three artists. He has known Clarke since he

saw him play in high school almost six years ago. Then he saw PerShayla play a concert for LowellArts a couple of years ago. And once he met Patty, he got to know Sandra Effert.

Yankovich helped to support PerShayla and Clarke during the pandemic - whether it was donating musical equipment, money, or helping to fund the making of their albums. The way they decided to "pay him back" was to provide a free concert in the future, but after some time passed, Yankovich forgot about it, and the concert almost did not come to fruition. "I helped fund records for Ryne's band and for Patty's band," said Yankovich. "If you donated at certain level, you earned a concert. I actually kind of forgotten about it, to be honest, with everything going on. But then Patty sent me an email and said, 'Hey we owe you a concert but we're moving June 1st.' Then I got ahold of Ryne and asked if he was willing to do a show, and then I thought it would be fun to add Sandra just because she is totally different."

The musicians are also excited for the venue in Lowell. Clarke was glad when Yankovich asked him to be a part of the concert, as he loves to play outdoors and only lives a few blocks from the Showboat. PerShayla has joked about the concert she

owes to Yankovich. "It's the IOU tour, one night only," she said. Effert is excited to share the stage with her roommate (PerShayla) and Clarke. "I'm looking forward to sharing the stage with Patty and Ryne, two other fantastic songwriters," said Effert. "It's also a bittersweet event for me, since it's my last scheduled show in Michigan, so I'll bring my best. I'll be performing lots of new songs, as well as some old favorites from my EP 'River Rocks' and some songs that didn't make it onto the EP."

Out of everyone who will be there, Cliff Yankovich might be the most excited, as he has been envisioning this event for a long time and now it is fast approaching. "The timing is really cool because Lowell loves its summer concerts," said Yankovich. "It should be a great time." He is also hoping that people will bring financial donations or food to support Flat River Outreach Ministries' Food Fight campaign which ends June 1. To learn more about the three musicians, you can go to their websites at sandraeffert.com, rynehyne.club, and pattypershayla.com



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In Healing Childhood Trauma, author Robin Marvel offers tools to heal

By Emma Palova
contributing writer

Author Robin Marvel of Hersey, MI is that girl who has survived mental, domestic, and drug abuse; homelessness and kidnappings throughout her childhood. Being addicted to alcohol and partying at age 15 resulted in a sexual assault, and later she became a teen mother at age 16.

Since May is mental health awareness month,

Marvel opened up to talk about her story captured in her book *Healing Childhood Trauma* from a PTSD standpoint of view.

"I didn't want to repeat the cycle, and I started working on myself," she said. "I realized I was in control of what happened to me."

As a motivational speaker, Marvel talks about self-respect and determination. She strives to be a role model for her

five daughters. She chose to grow through the trauma she had endured as a child.

"I didn't have any role models," she said, witnessing how her mother was abused by her father with subsequent kidnappings of her.

"It was always the same," she said. "He took me to his mother to get supplies and we slept in a car. I grabbed my blanket."

But facing all these

hardships, Marvel found the strength to overcome being a victim of circumstance.

"It doesn't happen at the flip of a switch," she said. "I still work on myself."

John Patrick McCarron, Louisiana ambassador for the National Association of Adult Survivors of Child Abuse wrote in a review, "Robin Marvel hits a homerun with *Healing Childhood Trauma*. It's not just a book - it's also a workbook that helps the adult survivor of childhood trauma find a new focus and develop a new understanding of themselves while embarking on a healing journey.

However, each survivor has to do it themselves.

"I can talk until I am blue, but you have to want to do it," she said.

Marvel is a down-to-earth person who writes non-fluff.

"I've implemented this," she said. "The book will give you new habits and new lessons. It's a workbook with exercises. I take it from a PTSD standpoint of view and show you how to do it."

Where do you start in this lifelong process of self-improvement?

"You have to learn to love yourself," she said. "We have the power to change ourselves. Negative self-talk is very harmful."

Marvel gives advice, "If you wouldn't say it to a five-year-old child, don't say it to yourself."

Marvel writes about going through the trenches but learning from it in a very empowering way.

"If I can encourage one person, I've done my job," she said.



Robin Marvel is an author and a motivational speaker.

And sometimes when talking to her daughters, Marvel admits she didn't realize how bad it really was.

"I was seeing everything through a wounded eye, but let's clean that up," she said. "It's never too late to start working on yourself. There's no age limit. Shine that light on others by sharing your story."

A lot of the book is about self-worth. She suggests getting nice size rocks and writing words on them, like 'shame' and 'guilt', and carrying them for four hours in a backpack wherever you go, even to the bathroom. Then take them out. "You will feel light," she said.

Marvel also writes about revising our internal scripts to reprogram our thinking.

"Write out 'stop' on a piece of paper and put it in your pocket," she said. "Take it out whenever you have negative thoughts."

"Look at it and it will reset you," she said.

Marvel keeps a gratitude list of 10 things she's grateful for.

"I am grateful for my ice-making machine," she laughed. "Focus on something positive."

It took her a year to write the book as she was going through a divorce.

"I just roll it out, because I am in the zone," she said. "Writing the book was very healing. It was more exciting than anything. I am constantly growing, and I am super powerful."

Marvel said that she has a lot more sense of gratitude. "I don't harbor any resentments," she said. "You can stop generational cycles; most of it stems from your childhood. You can heal from any trauma."

She is looking forward to doing a lot more book signings. "When I meet people four years later and hear from them that I have been able to help them, that is very gratifying," she said. "They share their stories and that they have been able to implement changes in their lives."

She has launched a new childhood trauma quiz for healing PTSD. "I address failure and trauma in it," she said. "You learn from your failures. How we react to trauma is critical. Your self-worth is critical; it can make you or break you."

The book is \$16.95, available from www.lhpress.com, www.robinmarvel.webs.com

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125 years ago The Lowell Ledger May 29, 1897

James Murphy says farm fire and heavy loss caused by hired boy and cigaret.

Ort Hill said man went crazy figuring difference twixt a Cleveland panic and a McKinley boom.

Little son of Albert Weiss of Boston drowned in a cistern.

Knights of Loyal Guard gave banquet to Abe Peck on departure for Europe.

100 years ago The Lowell Ledger May 25, 1922

The home of Fayette Sherman, south of Segwun, was entirely destroyed by fire, discovered about 3 o'clock Monday afternoon by neighbors, while the inmates were all away. The fire started in the attic and most of the contents of the ground floor rooms except those in the kitchen were saved, also some pork and canned fruit from the cellar were removed.

Just as we were on the wind-up of last week's Ledger one of the parts of our Linotype broke, with less than one hour's work left to do with it. Several hours were lost finding the break and then the service of two repair men, one from Grand Rapids were required, and it was 10 o'clock Thursday night before our press work was finished.

All books of the school library should be returned at once to the new library at Graham building for recataloguing. The new library which will be conducted by school and village jointly will be open in about two weeks.

Ray Emery, living north of here, found two dogs among his sheep in the early morning and shot one of them, the other getting away. He found nine sheep dead, each with a baby lamb, and one with a broken leg. This is Mr. Emery's third experience with dogs among his sheep.

75 years ago The Lowell Ledger May 22, 1947

Mrs. Ethel Buche, 50, of Saranac was killed Monday night when the car in which she was riding, driven by her husband, Claude, ran in front of a truck driven by Ernest C. Cusack, 36, of near Lowell. The accident occurred on M-50.

Bob Hall, Lowell high school freshman placed 5th in the regional track meet at Hastings Field Saturday. His 4.59 time in the mile speaks well for him in his first season of competition. Dave Gardner of Lowell placed

fifth in high jump.

Jack Reynolds of Elmdale had the misfortune to break his finger while playing ball at Alto Sunday. He was taken to Dr. H.D. Smith's office and it was found the bone pierced through the skin, however, it was soon fixed up and back to see the finish of the ball game.

The Harris Creek school closed Saturday with a picnic dinner and then a trip with their teacher, Mrs. Ruth Headworth to John Ball Park. This trip proved a real treat for the children.

50 years ago The Lowell Ledger May 25, 1972

The Lowell Showboat is again seeking fresh, new amateur talent to be featured in the show. Winning contestants will be appearing with either Jerry Reed (July 20-22) or Bobby Goldsboro (July 27-29), 1972 headlines for the "minstrel show under the stars."

A parade through downtown Lowell Monday morning, led by the senior high school band, welcomed visiting Mayor Frank Hoagland from Zeeland.

The first annual "Open Horse Show" at Grand Valley State College will be held Saturday, June 3 near the college's on-campus ski lodge, overlooking the Grand River valley. Nationally renowned judge, Keith Avery of Lowell will judge in twenty classes from from Western horsemanship to English bareback to barrel bending.

The State Saving Bank of Lowell recently expanded their complete line of banking services to include the distribution of food stamps.

Marcel Kropf, who recently sold his McQueen's Motor Company to Imperial Motors of Grand Rapids, will remain with the new company as a salesman... Clare Windier will remain also as the service manager.

25 years ago The Lowell Ledger May 21, 1997

Over 100 Lowell Community members gathered for Sunday's dedication of the wondrous new place called the Harold and Mildred Englehardt Public

Library. The dedication honored the collective spirit of community pride which helped turn a vision into a reality. The major benefactor, Harold Englehardt donated \$380,000. There were over 90 organizations, businesses and individuals who made contributions and over 500 individuals who purchased a brick.

FMB and Huntington proposed affiliation to create a new banking region. The new banking region will include FMB's 91 offices and Huntington's 64 offices in southeast Michigan and northern Ohio.

Vergennes Township has passed on a joint effort with Grattan Township to fund an additional Kent County sheriff's officer. Citing the high cost involved and no real perceived benefit, the township decided against the three-year funding package.

to the editor

Dear Editor,

Yesterday Lowell lost a good person. Denny was a good friend to so many people. He worked for many years in the heart of Lowell, meeting people coming and going or just passing through. He always had a kind word and was willing to help if he could.

I had the pleasure and misfortune of working yesterday. I was called to Denny's house. I discovered, like we all eventually did, that Denny was gone, forever. I did chew him out a little when I found him for messing up my Sunday ;)

Denny worked at the hub of our small city, a place where at some point during our day we'd pass by it. For some, it was meeting place, a place to get a cup of coffee or a snack, a place we would stop if we were looking for someone, or to confirm a rumor or pass one along. In my line work, we work with the commodity called information, and Denny knew a lot from what he saw or heard at work. He was like the guy in the movies that people would go to find out what's what. If I needed

to find someone, many times I would stop and ask Denny if they'd seen them or knew where I could find them. If I had a description of someone, I'd stop and see if Denny saw the person. He wasn't a snitch; he would only answer those questions he felt comfortable answering. Denny spent many Saturdays with me helping with training, he was our on-call "bad guy" or role player. He was good at it.

I spend many a late night at the counter; Denny and I would discuss a whole range of topics from the government, politics, zombies, and the latest breaking news. We solved all the world's problems at that counter and parking lot. I should've recorded our conversations and ideas; maybe we would've won the Noble Peace Prize. I felt privileged that I was his friend.

Denny didn't have a lot. He was a man of meager means and of simple things. His heart was bigger than his wallet. He was a guy that

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We love to hear from you!



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

The requirements are:

- All letters must be signed by the writer, with address and phone number provided for verification. All that will be printed is the writer's name and community of residence. We do not publish anonymous letters, and names will be withheld at the editor's discretion for compelling reasons only.
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- Letters that include attacks of a personal nature will not be published or will be edited heavily.
- "Crossfire" letters between the same two people on one issue will be limited to one for each writer.
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Library hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, noon - 8 pm; Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 9:30 am - 5 pm.

Summer Wonder teen crew orientation

May 31, 6:30 - 7:30 pm. Enthusiastic and energetic teen volunteers are wanted to help with Summer Wonder at KDL. Fun times are guaranteed, with the added benefit of service experience. Registration is required via a paper application available at your branch. For teens ages 11-17.

Night Owls book discussion

June 1, 6:30 - 7:30 pm. Fun, informal discussion of great books. This month's book is *The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett.

happy birthday



MAY 18

Ashlee Patnode, Robin Hewitt, Karen Patnode, Cody Sokolowski, Karen Kennedy, Kristin Hufstader, Phil Dibble, Melissa Borton, Mike Ordway.

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MAY 23

Wesley Patnode, Tory DeBold, Patrick Ortiz, Anna Richmond, Glenn Wittenbach.

MAY 24

Matt McClure, Josh Buechler, Summer Bevan, Dylan Bevan.

ABCs of Lowell history

The ABC's of Lowell History was introduced in 2020 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.

Harvey and Osta Callier dreamed of building and opening a theatre in Lowell. They purchased part of the property in 1925 after Ernest Graham deeded it to the city, and the remainder in 1927, and began building.

Newspaper articles

scenery and curtain drops.

June 14, 1928 – New Strand's Big Opening Fine Success- All of the chairs were filled with the opening of Michigan's Most Beautiful Small Theatre.

When the Strand opened, much of the entertainment was

In 1948, Earl Evans and Ray Engle families purchased the Strand. And the final owner was The Robert DeNolf family who purchased it in 1972. They lived upstairs and operated the Strand until July 1983. Attendance had been dwindling in part due to the



The Strand Theatre prior to the installation of the neon sign in Nov. 1934. There was a business on each side of the Strand entrance which opened to the outside; one held the Strand Chocolate Shoppe of Mrs. D. S. Simon (1928-1935) and the other was a vanity shop.

After four rounds of ABCs the Lowell Area Historical Museum is introducing a new weekly series. Each week we will explore the history of one of the buildings in the downtown Historic District.

Address: 315 W. Main
Date Built: 1928
Owner: Harvey Callier
1st business: Strand Theater

document the progress of the theater:

May 17, 1928 – New Strand Theatre Nears Completion- The opera chairs, 514 in number, are ready to be installed. The pipe organ will arrive this week and the curtain and scenery have been ordered. The back portion of the building is four stories high, holds the fly loft and a unique system of controls, ropes, and sandbags for the

vaudeville or live actors. Laurel and Hardy performed here. The introduction of sound movies was a problem for Callier. What should he install? He installed an RCA Photophone projection apparatus. In 1932, new visual and audible equipment were again installed. It was difficult to keep on top of all the new innovations. In 1934, a neon sign was placed over the entrance.

introduction of cable TV to Lowell.

The building was used as S. J. Bob's Furniture in the 1980s and as "Larkin's Other Place" banquet hall from 1995 to 2021. The old Theatre lives on in memories. It is now owned by new owners David and Lisa Reed who hope to once again make it a part of the fabric of Lowell's life as "The Old Theater."

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Letters, continued

that would give what he could and expect nothing in return. Denny took in people, helped people, and fed people that were down on their luck. In some cases he gave too much and people took advantage of his charity; they took from him.....There's a special place in hell for those people.

In honor of his passing his coworkers and friends held an impromptu memorial/wake for him in the parking lot. A place where we'd see him on his smoke break or where I'd see him wave. I took pride in leaving my mark among many others in that parking. A billboard of friends honoring his passing. Those marks will be gone soon, washed away with the rain or the traffic, but the memory of Denny will not. He was a special guy to a lot of us "night people". So long as we remember him, tell our stories about him, and think about him, he lives on.

Gonna miss you old man.
Christopher Hurst
 Chief of Police
 Lowell Police Department

To the Editor:

I was one of the folks who were privileged to attend yet another concert crafted by the Lowell High School music department. The occasion was the Senior Solo Concert for 2022. The players included representatives of the freshman through senior classes, with particular attention to the seniors. First, let's thank parents of these talented young people for loaning them to the general public for our enjoyment. We can only guess the sacrifices of time and resources that families make on behalf of their children, again, thank you. We would be amiss to not recognize the music department in the Lowell District, and for this occasion, Mrs. Wendy Tenney for her time and talent in nurturing these

instrumentalists. Many of these performers began their music journey some years ago at the middle school and the resulting product demonstrates the success that effort can make.

The Lowell community should be justly proud of its young people and their investment in the arts. We, as supporters of the schools, should also take a bow for the financial support of the system. The improvements in buildings and sports facilities speaks volumes of the confidence that the Lowell community has for the future of our students.

The music department has another concert on the calendar, May 23 at 7:00 PM at the high school. This All Strings Concert deserves your attendance. Again, congratulations to the High School Symphony Orchestra, the Chamber Orchestra, and the Symphony Winds for their sharing of their talents.

Roger Royer
 Lowell

Dear Editor,

Biden's Amendments Hand U.S. Sovereignty to the WHO

I believe it is imperative that every American be made aware of information given out by Congresswomen Michele Bachmann in an interview with Steve Bannon on America's Voice this week.

Biden's amendments will be voted on by delegates in the WHO (World Health Organization) assembly in Geneva, Switzerland on May 22 through May 28, 2022. Initially, the first vote was made quietly on January 18 but was not made public until April 12.

These amendments will cede sovereignty to WHO to create a platform for a global governance (dominance) over health care and other decisions. One hundred ninety-four nations are

included.

Unless we can get the Senate and House Republicans involved to stop this power grab, it will go into effect in November if passed. The Director-General can declare a crisis based on his personal opinion that there is a possible threat to other nations.

This is REAL. The greatest attack on our sovereignty. We need to sound the alarm! Washington D.C. Switchboard number is 202-224-3121 for Q's and A's for Kevin McCarthy, Mitch McConnell and our Senators; Stabenow, Peters and Representative Meijer. Contact Michele Bachmann mbachmann@regent.edu.

Do what you think you should do with this information. I felt I should spread awareness of what is happening in our country!

M. Karen Thomure
 Lowell

To the editor,
 To follow is a poem I wish to share.

Through the years,
 prayers have gone up
 To precious Jesus up above.

He heard each one when
 you called, no matter
 how great no matter
 how small.

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 store for you, so one
 day you'd know what to do.

His Grace abounds,
 His love does too,
 only wait, He'll see you
 through.

Cindy Nagy
 Lowell

Culver's opens on Memorial Day

By Emma Palova
 contributing writer

Culver's will be opening in Lowell on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30. The restaurant will have 55 employees when fully hired; at this point, they have 28 employees.

seasonal items year-round.

"Lowell has that town and country feel that mirrors our Midwest values," Stephan said. "We're looking for a smooth opening day and we ask for grace for the community."

part of delivering an awesome experience," he said. "We look forward to both, opening the doors and saying welcome to delicious."

Culver's is located at 1279 Main Street in Lowell.



Culver's opens on Memorial Day Monday.

The restaurant will seat 98 guests.

"We're famous for our butter burger and frozen custard," said owner, Steve Stephan, who owns three other locations.

It has a double drive-through. It also offers

Right now, Culver's is focusing on team building and training.

"We want to be a

To apply go to culvers.com/careers. Adults get paid \$14 and minors \$11.25.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

The Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider amendments to the Township Zoning Ordinance regarding solar energy systems. The proposed amendments would provide definitions and general requirements pertaining to such systems and provide specific requirements for roof and wall mounted systems, ground mounted systems and solar farms.

The hearing will be held as follows:

WHEN: MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2022
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
WHERE: LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP HALL
2910 ALDEN NASH AVENUE SE
LOWELL, MI. 49331

Any person is welcome to attend the meeting and offer comments regarding this request. Information on the proposed request is available for review at the Lowell Charter Township Offices, 2910 Alden Nash Avenue, SE, Lowell, MI. 49331 during normal office hours on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday or by calling 897-7600.

Materials pertaining to this request may also be viewed on the Township web site at www.lowelltpw.org five days before the meeting.

Greg Forde, Secretary
 Lowell Charter Township
 Planning Commission

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Lowell Pride returns to the Riverwalk on June 4

By Cliff Yankovich
contributing writer

On June 5 of 2021 there was an amazing display of colors, music and vendors as people gathered on the Riverwalk to celebrate the first ever Lowell Pride – Better Together. The event was a smash hit – a bases loaded, grand-slam success story for the record books, as people of all ages took full advantage of beautiful weather and a wonderful venue to celebrate the LGBTQ+ community in Lowell.

For anyone who witnessed the constant parade of smiling people, it should come as no surprise the Lowell Pride 2022 – Authentically You is going to happen on Saturday June 4 starting at 10:30 am. For many, if not all, of the participants in the first Pride event to happen in Lowell, the true importance of the event went far beyond all the celebratory colors, face painting, fashion show, and Drag Queen Story Time. During all that hoopla, there were some life-enhancing and life-

many connections made at Pride carried through the rest of the year. So many friendships were made or strengthened at this one day event and I've gotten to watch that ripple out over the last year," Nicole said. "Kids and families who attended their first ever pride, in their own hometown, then getting to connect with other families, find resources, find community. It's pretty powerful to get to witness."

Phoenix is a local 15-year-old and he had this to say, "Being able to attend a pride event in Lowell was such a huge thing because it was able to connect me with my community that I feel safe and comfortable in, in a town where I feel like I constantly get hate. Lowell pride has really helped me come into my true self and not feel bad for being me or feel like I owe others something for being me. I'm really glad to be able see and participate in something that welcomes me."

Twelve-year-old Saige was another local who felt



Lowell Pride t-shirts on sale at last years event.

space on the north end. Into her request for the space, She incorporated some very sobering statistics she had gleaned from the Council on Human Rights.

She started off with the sad statistics that LGBTQ youth are four times more likely to attempt suicide than their peers. She told the Council that 82 percent of trans individuals have considered suicide and 40 percent have attempted it. Having grown up as a bi-sexual in another small town in Michigan, she emphasized that such statistics are not based on information gathered from "just big cities", and therefore, do not apply to towns like Lowell.

On a more positive note, Lintemuth then ran some very encouraging numbers by the Council. All it takes

is one adult affirming and accepting an LGBTQ youth to reduce their suicide risk by 40 percent. When it comes to affirming trans identity and pronouns, that risk has been seen to drop to the same levels as the general population when affirmation is provided. She continued by citing research showing that having one LGBTQ affirming space can reduce suicide risks by 35 percent. The point of her bad news/good news statistics was not lost on the Council, which voted unanimously to allow the event to proceed. One Council member even double checked to make sure that the slight increase in venue size was enough.

The testimony of Nicole and the support of the City Council brought tears to Lowell resident

Craig Fonger. He was born in 1971 and raised in Lowell, but moved to San Francisco where he lived for 22 years before returning to Lowell in June of 2020. As a young gay man who grew up here in the late 70s and early 80s when there was no affirming place or public events to validate his life, hearing what Lintemuth related to the council brought back bitter memories and tremendous hope at the same time.

"Hearing statistics of my lived experience growing up brought tears to my eyes," Fonger said. "Seeing the mayor make the motion and the mayor pro-tem support the motion for another Pride event in the community that I grew up in heals many remaining scars of my experience. The unanimous yes votes brought on even more tears,

but they were tears of joy. Kids today will live a safer and more accepted life."

Lintemuth affirms that the plan for the second event is to continue and expand the efforts to validate LGBTQ kids and to educate those in their community.

"We are bringing back our panel discussion, which this year will focus on LGBTQ youth," Lintemuth stated. "In particular, we'll have educators, medical professionals, therapists, parents, and more answering questions posed both by LGBTQ youth and adults and by members of the community."

Lowell Pride – Authentically You happens Saturday, June 4, starting at 10:30 am on the Riverwalk. Find Lowell Pride at www.LowellPride.org or www.facebook.com/lowellpridemi.



changing things happening as well. There were panel discussions and the sharing of life experiences from the stage that made great, lasting impact on LGBTQ+ residents of the Lowell area.

Nicole Lintemuth, owner of Bettie's Pages Bookstore, was a major driving force behind the inaugural event. She serves as the Board President of Lowell Pride. She related the long-term positive effects of the first Pride she has noticed.

"The most impactful part of LP1 was seeing how

encouraged by the first event. Saige shared these remarks, "It's a lot of fun because everyone gets to express themselves in more than just a couple of ways. And it's also developed over the year, and hopefully, will develop more. I have a lot of close family and friends who are trans, gay, bi or pan and I try to support them!"

Lintemuth recently attended a Lowell City Council meeting to ask permission to use the Riverwalk for the upcoming event. Her request included asking for a little bit more

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- SHOOTING SPORTS

SPORTS**Scholastic clay target and skeet shooting team in mid-season form**By Justin Scott
sports reporter

One of three non-MHSAA affiliated sports that Lowell competes in during the spring, the Lowell scholastic shooting team has been busy these past few months. That includes competition at Madison Square in Rockford, the Harper Creek Schools Trap Invitational, and hosting their own invitational at the Capital Area Sportsmen's League in Lansing.

Last Saturday, the

Lowell Red Arrows scholastic clay target team competed at the Michigan Southwest Schools Conference Skeet and Sporting Clays Championships at the Detroit Gun Club. The student-athletes shot 100 skeet targets and 100 sporting clay targets, competing alongside athletes from Rockford, Harper Creek, Carson City-Crystal, and even some university teams.

In the skeet competition, Isaac Johnson placed first in the intermediate entry division with 94 out of 100 broken clays. Carra Couturier placed closely behind with a 93, followed by Jacob Johnson with 91. The intermediate entry squad of Isaac Johnson, Gavyn Sullivan and Elliott Newland placed second in skeet. The JV squad of Lannie Wester, Logen Steffen and Hunter Vanspronsen placed third in skeet.

In sporting clays, Cole Schulz finished first in the intermediate advanced division breaking 88 out of 100 clays. He was followed by teammate Jacob Johnson with an 84. The intermediate entry squad of Isaac Johnson, Gavyn Sullivan and Elliott Newland placed second in sporting clays just five off of first place held by Rockford. The JV squad of Lannie Wester, Logen Steffen and Hunter Vanspronsen placed second.

The 2022 season started off for the team on March 26 with the SCTP Shootout at the Kent Conservation Club. Awards for that event went to third place in varsity skeet - Joe Korcek, David Johnston, Tyler Weller, second place in junior varsity skeet - Logan Steffen, Rylei Weller, Lannie Wester, Top Gun in intermediate advanced skeet - Cole Schulz, Top Gun in varsity sporting clays - Carra Couturier, and third

place in varsity sporting clays - David Johnston, Joe Korcek, Tyler Weller

Club or MHSAA-affiliated sport, the scholastic shooting team's season is the longest of Lowell's spring sport offerings, typically stretching into the national meet held in July. The next SCTP event for the team will take place June 10-12 at the Detroit Gun Club for the 2022 State Shoot.

- GOLF

Golf team comes close to shattering LHS recordsBy Justin Scott
sports reporter

The all-time low score rounds for both team and individuals were in serious jeopardy on Friday, as Lowell finished up their round at the Reeths-Puffer Invitational hosted at Lincoln Golf Club.

Junior, Drew Veldman, was the tournament medalist, shooting an even par 72. That score ties Brandon Poll (2013), Jerud Mierkalns (1990), and

Darl DeCator (1987) for the second lowest 18-hole rounds in program history. Only Poll has recorded a lower round, a 70 at Cedar Creek Golf Course in the district round which also occurred in 2013.

Veldman recorded the even par round with four birdies, 10 pars, and four bogeys on the scorecard.

While Veldman stole the headlines, it was Adam Swanson's 79 that was the

pleasant surprise of the day. The senior broke through the normal top four with a career best 18-hole round. Also scoring for Lowell was Patrick de Voest (80), and Ty Knottnerus (83). Cam Sluss scored an 85.

As a team, Lowell shot a 314, just three strokes off the school record that was recorded in the early 1990's.

In the team's other event last week, Lowell placed fifth in their conference jamboree hosted at Kent Country Club by East Grand Rapids. The top six squads were heavily bunched up with just a difference of

13 strokes between first place and last place. Grand Rapids Christian and Forest Hills Central led the way with 161, followed by Byron Center (163), Forest Hills Northern (163), Lowell (170), and East Grand Rapids (173).

Veldman led the way with a 40, followed by Nicholas Lothian (43), Ty Knottnerus (43), and Patrick de Voest (44).

Lowell is at the Mona Shores Invitational, Gull Lake Invitational, and heads to Boulder Creek for a jamboree this week.



Drew Veldman with Reeths Puffer head coach, Chris Carter, after being awarded tournament medalist.



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- TENNIS

Tennis splits pair of 5-3 contestsBy Justin Scott
sports reporter

It was a win and a loss for the varsity girls tennis team this week. The top three of Brooke Knottnerus, Lexi Royer, and Delaney Kelley went 2-0, each in matchups with Northview, a win, and South Christian, a loss.

In the win over

Northview, the trio each won their matchups in straight sets. Lowell also scored wins at No. 1 doubles where Brynn Jackson and Olivia Torline won 6-4, 6-4, and No. 2 doubles where Ella Todd and Kaylee Royer won 6-3, 6-3.

Northview earned wins

at No. 4 singles in a three set match, No. 3 doubles, and No. 4 doubles.

In the South Christian match, Lowell earned their three wins from Knottnerus, Royer, and Kelley, Knottnerus won in three sets 6-7 (3), 6-4, 10-6. Royer won in two sets 7-5, 6-1. Kelley also won

in three sets 6-4, 3-6, 10-6. South Christian won at No. 4 singles and swept the doubles flights to win 5-3 in the final dual match of the season for LHS.

The Red Arrows competed at the conference championships on Saturday and will be at regionals this week.

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TRACK & FIELD

SPORTS

Lady Arrows finish fifth at conference meet

Submitted by Paul Judd
LHS track coach

It was hot, both on the track and off, as the warm temps served to heat up the competition at the OK White Conference meet, hosted by Lowell at Red Arrow Stadium. At the end of the meet, GR Christian bested the field with EGR taking second, which meant that they would share the title as EGR won the regular season, and both the conference meet and regular are worth 50 percent of the value. Lowell used 14 personal records, one school record, and overperformed in seven vents to score 75.5 points earning fifth place.

This means that Lowell will tie Byron Center for fourth place in the overall conference standings.

Aubriegh Oswald was the lone OK White champion for the Arrows, winning the shot put with a throw of 34-09. Annika Sandman broke her school record in a fast 1600m taking fifth in 5:02.79. Sandman came back and took silver medalist honors in the 3200m going 11:00.21. Lowell had two other silver medalist honors, as sisters Isabel and Emily German took second in the 200m (26.87) and 100H (15.91) respectively. The two performances move Emily to No. 4 on the record

board in the hurdles and Isabel to No. 9.

Other Lowell scorers were Isabel German 400m, fifth, 1:02.34 (No. 9 record board) and sixth in the pole vault, 8-06; Jadan Sanders, seventh in the pole vault, 8-06

Leah Krieger, fifth, 300H, 50.04 (No. 10 record board) and sixth in the high jump, 4-07; Emily German, seventh, 300H, 52.36

Liberty Cook, third, discus, 105-06; Kaylee Byrne, seventh, discus, 92-11; 400m relay, sixth, team of Spaulding, Sayer, Seddon, Gustin, 54.87; 800m relay, third, team of Spaulding, Sayer,

Gustin, Krieger, 1:53.20; 1600m relay, fifth, team of: I. German, Flickinger, German, Sanders, 4:25.87; 3200m relay, fourth, team of: K. Sandman, Harper, A. German, A. Sandman, 10:23.71 (No. 8 record board).

Lowell had three women earn all-conference honors. Oswald with her win and Isabel German and Annika Sandman earning the honors on points scored in the championship meet.

Lowell travels to Portage Central High School on Friday as they participate in the MHSAA 1-03 regional.



The 3200m relay team of K. Sandman, Harper, A. German and A. Sandman, placed fourth and earned the No. 8 spot on the LAS record board. (Photo courtesy of Lowell Track & XC facebook page)

Arrows finish third at OK White Conference Meet

Submitted by Paul Judd
LHS track coach

Close regular season scores heightened the energy at an already competitive OK White Conference track and field championships. At the end of the evening, FHC took the conference meet win but ended up in second place, as GR Christian took advantage of a first place regular season finish against FHC third to take the overall OK White title. Lowell finished in third place on the night, hitting 116 points, which is what was on paper. The Arrows finished in

fourth place for the overall season, as Byron Center was tied with GRC for the first place regular season title.

Josh Rau was a double winner as he overtook a starting block slip to come back for the win in the 110HH in 15.23. Rau came back for a win in the 300H going 40.06 and capped off the evening with a fifth place in the 200m 23.39. Cole Weston gritted his way to the 3200m title, edging out a .03 win going 9:57.32. Discus thrower, Isaac Graham, closed out Thursday's field

events with the win with a toss of 126-05.

Besides the three above event winners, Lowell had three additional boys earn all-conference honors on points scored in the meet. Keegan Cater, Ramsey Ponchaud, and Levi Mills all earned the honor when the meet concluded.

Other Lowell scorers were: Levi Mills, second, 400m, 51.63 (No. 8 All-Time); Kaden Northup, sixth, 400m, 53.46; Brenden Wittenbach, seventh, 400m, 53.56; Jackson Fowler,

fourth, 800m, 2:02.33; Cole Weston, fifth, 1600m, 4:31.82 (No. 2 All-Time); Sawyer Fowler, eighth, 1600m, 4:34.07 and eighth, 3200m, 10:03.90; Ramsey Ponchaud, sixth, 110HH, 16.72, third, 300H, 41-08 and fourth, pole vault, 11-09.00; Noah VanLaan, third high jump, 5-09.00; Keegan Cater, discus, 123-10; 3200m relay, third, team of: J. Fowler, Weston, Cater, S. Fowler, 8:21.25, (No. 5 All-Time); 800m relay, third, team of: Young, Wigger, Wittenbach, Mills, 1:34.70; 1600m relay, second, team of: Northup, Wittenbach, J. Fowler, Mills, 3:32.28, (No. 10 All-Time).

Lowell travels to Portage Central High School this Friday to participate in the MHSAA 1-03 regional.



Isaac Graham placed first in the discus and teammate Keegan Cater placed second at the OK White Conference Meet last Thursday. (Photo courtesy of Lowell Track & XC facebook page)

BASEBALL

Busy week for varsity baseball

By Justin Scott
sports reporter

Over the past two weeks, the Lowell varsity baseball team has been busy with two conference series against Byron Center and Forest Hills Northern, as well as this past Saturday's Dansville Invitational.

The Byron Center series went the Bulldogs way with BC taking two of three games. Game one was a low-scoring game with the Bulldogs pitching just outdoing the Red Arrows. Aidan McWayne pitched well, recording 18 outs, allowing just one run, with six strikeouts. Kyler Spike went 2-for-2 at the plate. In the second game of the day, LHS bounced back with a 3-2 win over Byron Center. Kyler Spike earned the win pitching, while Peyton Teachworth started out the

game and had four strikeouts and only one run allowed. Aidan McWayne's sacrifice fly in the bottom of the sixth inning, with the game tied at two, ended up being the deciding run.

Wednesday's series finale went the Bulldogs way by a score of 8-3. Morgan North went 2-for-2 at the plate in the loss.

Last week, Lowell was swept by Forest Hills Northern in a three game series by scores of 7-1, 6-2, and 6-5. On Saturday, they finished out the week with a road trip to the Lansing area for the Dansville Invitational. Lowell won their semifinal against the hosts, Dansville 10-5. It was the first ever meeting between the two schools in baseball.

The championship game was rained out.

In the victory, Teachworth drove in four runs on two hits. Morgan North also added a two-run double. Hayes was the winning pitcher, Aidan Dennings recorded the last 12 outs and the save. Lowell has a busy week this week with East Grand Rapids, Middleville Thornapple-Kellogg, and East Kentwood on the schedule.



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obituaries

COPELAND

Patty Copeland, age 72 of Lowell, passed away on May 13, 2022. She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Florence Sloan. She is survived by her husband of 52 years, Robert Copeland; children, Kevin (Theresa) Copeland, Jennifer (Alex) Lebron; grandchildren, Melanie (Jeff) VanDenHeuvel, Lauren (Chris) Thielen, AJ Copeland, Aaron Copeland, Justin Lebron, Evan Lebron, Alexis Lebron, Austin Lebron; great-grandchildren, Emmett and Reese; mother-in-law, Dorothy Jean Copeland; sisters, Charlotte, Carolyn, Linda, Sarah, Judy, Pam; and sisters-in-law, Cristy and Kay. Patty retired from Amway after 38-1/2 years. She was a longtime member of First Baptist Church of Lowell. Patty was very active within the church, she taught Sunday School for 35 years, involved in Bus Ministry, and served in AWANA youth group. Patty enjoyed traveling with her family, which included trips to Alaska, Hawaii, Mexico, and even a Disney Cruise. Some of her favorite pastimes included fishing with Bob, U of M sports, and cheering on her grandkids at sporting events. Above all, Patty loved spending time with her family and grandkids. Visitation will be held, 3-5 PM and 6-8 PM, Saturday, May 21, 2022, First Baptist Church of Lowell, 2275 W. Main St., Lowell, MI 49331. Funeral service will be 3PM, Sunday, May 22, 2022, at the church, visitation one hour prior. Pastor Jon Pickens officiating. Luncheon to follow service. Private interment at Oakwood cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to First Baptist Church of Lowell.



ROBIDOUX

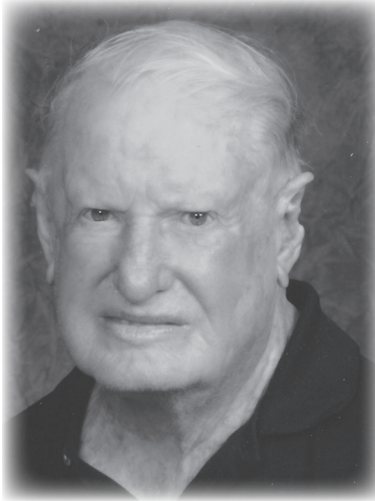
Gale Gene Robidoux, age 67 of Six Lakes, passed away Sunday May 15, 2022. He is preceded in death by his parents, Bud Robidoux, Pauline and Walter Sobleskey; brother, Tim Robidoux; stepbrother, Tim Sobleskey; stepsister, Gloria Sobleskey; brother-in-law, Jerry Getts. Gale is survived by his wife of 19 years, Donna; stepchildren, Waylon Black, Martha Nelson, Victoria Seward, Bobby Shocknesse, Thomas Burns, Sherry Bunce, Jimmy Bunce, Johnny Bunce; many step grandchildren; brother, Dale (Dotty) Robidoux; stepsisters, Bev (John) Herrington, Shelly (Mark) Messenger, Judy (Dave) Maynard, Shirley (Jim) Stehouwer; sisters-in-law, Peggy Becker, Ruth Goodman; brothers-in-law, Ed Getts, Eugene Getts; many nieces and nephews; and canine companion, Dixie. He enjoyed fishing, sitting by the campfire surrounded by friends and family, joking around with others. Gale savored his coffee on the back porch in the early hours of the morning, watching the sunrise. He liked to enjoy the weather and keeping his yard tidy on his riding mower. Gale also liked to race his lawn tractor with his neighbors. He enjoyed old country or listening to classic rock. Gale was a kind, fun, loving person who would lend a helping hand to anyone in need. He will be missed greatly. Visitation will be held from 10 AM – 12 PM on Friday, May 20, 2022, at Roth-Gerst Chapel, 305 N. Hudson Lowell MI, 49331 with Funeral Services following at 12 PM. Pastor Ernest Wolf. Interment Findlay Cemetery.



GAHAN



James "Ed" Edward Gahan Jr., age 85 of Parnell, passed away May 13, 2022. He is preceded in death by his parents, James and Margaret Gahan Sr., sisters, Mary Jean Gahan, Joanne Gahan; and brother Roger Gahan. Ed is survived by his wife of 63 years, Darlene Gahan; daughters, Mary (Dale) Phillips, Lori (John) Gerard, Joy (Alan) Niemeyer, and Carol Schrenk; 10 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; brother, Michael Gahan; and many nieces and nephews. He was a proud veteran of the United States Air Force. Ed was also a member for 57 years of the 324 Operating Engineers Union. In his spare time, he enjoyed camping trips with his fellow OE Union retirees, hunting and fishing. Visitation will be held from 2-4 and 6-8 on Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at Roth-Gerst Chapel, 305 N. Hudson Lowell, MI 49331. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 AM on Thursday, May 19, 2022, at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 4351 Parnell Ave NE, Ada, MI 49301, with visitation one hour prior. Fr. Tom Cavera presiding. Interment St. Patrick Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be directed to St. Patrick Catholic School.



KLINK

Minnie Marilyn Klink, age 95, walked into the loving arms of her dear Savior, Jesus on Monday, May 9, 2022. She was most certainly welcomed with great joy. Minnie was born at home in Eaton Rapids, Michigan on January 31, 1927. She was kid number seven of eight born to David and Lela (Sova) Grimes. Momma spent most of her adult life around the Lowell/Saranac area. For the last seven years she lived in an apartment built onto her daughter Marilyn's house in Wayland. Momma had several hobbies and interests. She enjoyed books and reading, loved gardening, birds, wood working, wood carving, needle craft, sewing, and painting just to name a few. More than her hobbies, Momma loved her family. She is survived by her children, Becky and Jim Kendall, Deb Heaton, Marilyn Hyzer, Jim and Ruth Allan, Rachel Klink, Linda Vandervlugt, Jeanne and Merle Perrine, Vicki Allan Tasman, Lois and Jim Borreson, Dave and June Klink; daughter-in-law, Joy Klink; many grandchildren (over 100 offspring in total!); many nieces and nephews; and one cousin, Marie Pratt. All of her brothers and sisters have gone on before her; and two of her children, Steve Klink and Carol Patterson; and son-in-law, Ken Heaton. Momma had many friends and neighbors from Lowell, Saranac, and Wayland areas. Gilda's Club of Lowell, BSF, book clubs, Vineyard North Church where she attended for years, and Gaines UB Church, are just a few places where many people loved and knew her over her lifetime. Momma loved and served God with her whole heart. She served people with a great love, gentleness, wisdom, and hugs! Lots of hugs! She will be greatly missed by many. Funeral Services were held at 2PM on Saturday, May 14, at Bible Believers Church, 404 N. Hudson SE, Lowell, MI 49331, with visitation one hour prior. Interment Alton Cemetery. Instead of flowers, please make a donation to Pregnancy Resource Center in Grand Rapids, 415 Cherry St. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503.



OSWALD

Penny Lynn Oswald, age 66 of Lowell, passed away on May 14, 2022, due to complications of heart surgery. She was preceded in death by her parents, James and Joyce Lasausky; sister, Rose Evans; brother-in-law, Kurt Beimers; and nephew, Johnny Biemers. She is survived by her husband of 27 years, James; loving sons, James Helmer, Michael Stanard; sister, Deborah Beimers; nephew, Doug (Heather) Beimers, and their children, Christian and Delaney. Penny retired from Amway after over 35 years, then worked part-time at Dollar General. She enjoyed gardening in her spare time. Penny's greatest love was for her sons and two English Shepherds, Norton and Segar. Visitation will be held 5-8 PM, Thursday, May 19, 2022, at Roth-Gerst Chapel, 305 N. Hudson St., Lowell, MI 49331. Memorial contributions may be made to the Lowell Fire Department, 315 N. Hudson St., Lowell, MI 49331.



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STENCEL

Anthony Raymond Stencel, age 74, 7/8/47 to 5/13/22, of Lowell, unexpectedly passed away in the early morning. He is preceded in death by his parents, Roman and Anna Stencel, father and mother-in-laws, Eugene and Freda Osborne; infant son, Anthony David Stencel; sisters, Nancy Tocco and Marie Stencel; also his cousin, who was like a brother, Greg Kotyrs; his son-in-law, Derrick Barnes. He is survived by the love of his life, Connie Stencel; children, Trisha (Shad) Propst, Amy Barnes, Aaron (Terresa) Stencel, Tim Stencel; grandchildren, Christan Barnes, Nathan Propst, Tara Propst, Michael (Shelby) Barnes, Logan (Marissa) Propst and Miles Barnes; and many nieces and nephews. Anybody that knew Tony knew that Connie was the love of his life, her rock. He loved all of his kids and grandkids unconditionally. Tony was involved at St. Mary's Church for 50 years, he was a Grand Knight with the Knights of Columbus, he faithfully played at church, even when he was under the weather. He loved making music with Eric and Lindsay Bredin. Tony was an Edman for the Lowell Showboat; he met Wayne Newton, The Smothers Brothers, Pearl Bailey, Oakridge Boys and many more. Tony was involved with the Lowell Area Arts Council plays. Most important, Tony was "The voice of the Lowell Red Arrows." He started at Birch Field coaching football. That turned into announcing, 40 years ago. Besides football, Tony announced basketball, girls softball, track, and special events. He even got to announce his grandsons hockey games. Tony loved his core group of friends, his coffee buddies, and his community. Memorial services will be held on Thursday, May 19 at St Mary's Church in Lowell at 11 am. Visitation one hour prior. Luncheon after interment.



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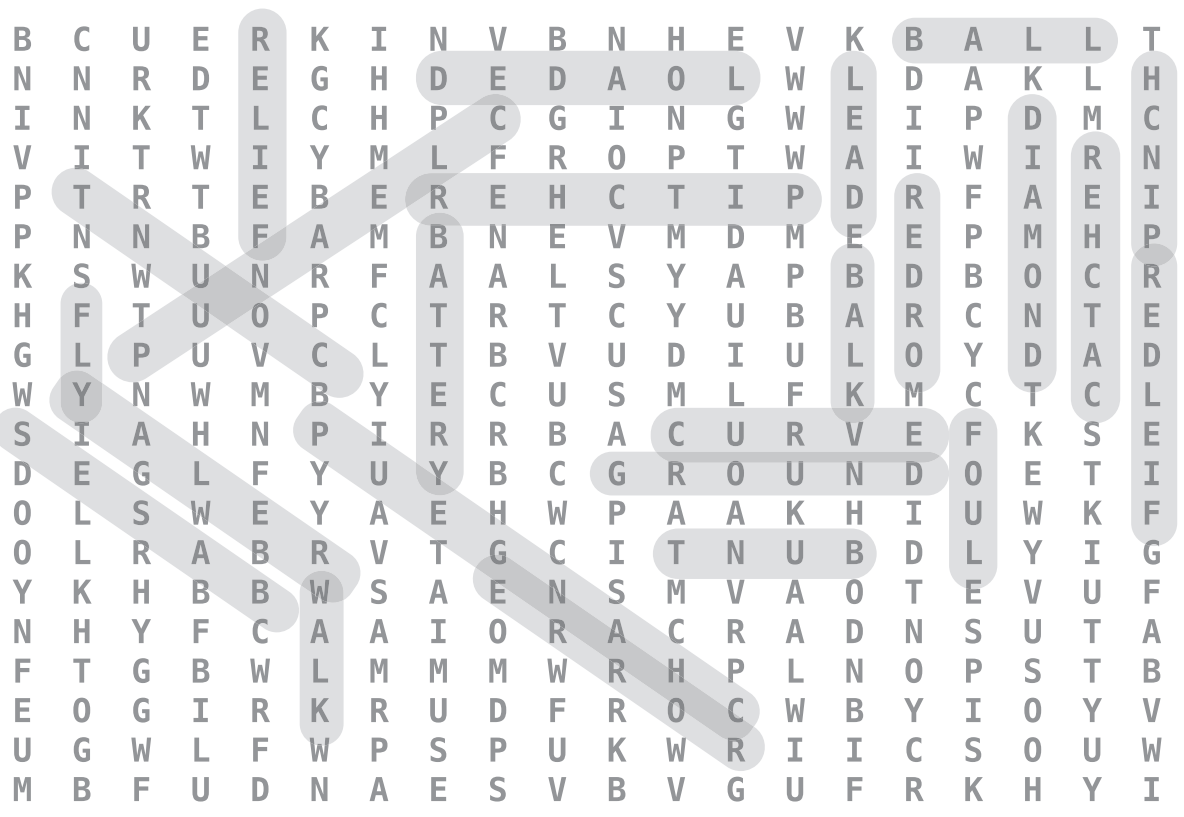
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Lowell School Board meets, wraps up regular school year

By Michelle Smith
contributing writer

The Lowell Area Schools Board of Education met for its regular meeting May 9 at the Lowell High School.

Superintendent, Nate Fowler, recognized the 13 retirees from the area schools. He said they represented “hundreds of years” of experience and service to the Lowell community and recognized them for supporting learning.

Student representative, Lowell senior, Emily

Struckmeyer, reported a successful prom and spring sports session. Fowler recognized her for her “positive energy.” High School graduation will be May 26.

A facility-use fee schedule was updated and passed, which includes the rental of the lacrosse and soccer fields, auditorium, and other school facilities to the community at a “competitive” price. The money from the rental of these facilities is used to maintain them.

Other items that passed were a food service management resolution, a new well to be dug for Alto Elementary, and new asphalt to be put down at Bushnell Elementary.

The Lowell High School will be getting an upgrade on the main signage located on Alden Nash Avenue. The upgrade will give the signage a more “contemporary” look.

Dan VanderMeulen, director of curriculum, said a math tutoring program will be introduced to

incoming sixth graders to help with the transition from elementary to middle school.

Superintendent Fowler said in his report that there was an incident involving students and staff regarding an “outside” group distributing materials in a classroom without permission. Fowler said legal instruction will be sought to address this issue in the future, as it may involve “First Amendment” and dress code issues.

Obituaries, continued

VEZINO

Mrs. Helen L. Vezino, age 91 of Lowell, MI passed away peacefully in her home on May 13, 2022. Born and raised in Roseville, MI, Helen was one of five daughters born to Canadian immigrants, James and Edith “Wave” Shepard. From an early age Helen enjoyed singing and sewing, even making her own 8th grade graduation dress. Her creativity continued throughout her life as she became an avid crafter, baker, and gardener. Helen got engaged to her late husband,



Joseph “Skip” Vezino while still in high school. Helen and Skip had 7 sons and 1 daughter, and primarily raised their family in Lowell, MI. She was a devoted mother, grandmother, homemaker, thoughtful gift giver, master angler of Clam Lake, and a very competitive card shark. With her quick wit and wry sense of humor, Helen was a spirited woman whose vibrancy and determination shined to all that had the honor to know her. Helen is survived by her loving family: sons, Robert (Bonnie) Vezino, Joseph A (Barb) Vezino, Kevin (Mary) Vezino, Barry (Pat) Vezino, Jay (Sarah) Vezino, Jon (Chris) Vezino and Kerry “Cub” (Jeanne) Vezino; daughter, Sherri Wager; 13 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; step-great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-grandchild; sister Janet Reaume; and many special nieces and nephews. Helen is preceded in death by her husband of 56 years Joseph “Skip” Vezino; parents Edith and James Shepard; sisters Donna “June” Koscielny, Doris “Betty” O’Connor, and Patricia Burtka; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law; and son-in-law Robert Wager. Visitation will be held, 4-7 PM, Friday, May 20, 2022, at Roth-Gerst Chapel, 305 N. Hudson St., Lowell, MI, 49331. Funeral service will be 11AM, Saturday, May 21, 2022, at First United Methodist Church of Lowell, 621 E. Main St., Lowell, MI 49331, with visitation one hour prior. Pastor Brad Brillhart officiating. Interment Oakwood Cemetery. The family would like to give thanks to the Faith Hospice Staff and caregivers, Charmain Burke and Karon Koepke, and special thanks to Dr. John Mogor. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Lowell Showboat Fund, 110 Riverside Plaza, Lowell, MI 49931, Lowell Historical Museum, 325 W. Main St., Lowell, MI 49331, or First Methodist Church of Lowell.

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KENT COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSIONER

IRVIN RODGERS DRAIN NOTICE OF MEETING OF BOARD OF DETERMINATION

DATE: Tuesday, June 7, 2022
TIME: 6:00 P.M.
LOCATION: Bowne Township Historic Hall
8240 Alden Nash Avenue SE, Alto, MI 49302
QUESTIONS: (616) 632-7910

A Board of Determination will meet at the above date, time, and location to hear all interested persons, receive evidence, and determine whether the proposed consolidation of the drains known and designated as the Colby and Livingston Drain, Clark and Bunker Drain, Johnson Branch of the Clark and Bunker Drain, and Cobb and Miller Drain, to be known as the Irvin Rodgers Drain, and the consolidation of the Colby and Livingston Drain Drainage District, Clark and Bunker Drain Drainage District, Johnson Branch of the Clark and Bunker Drain Drainage District, and Cobb and Miller Drain Drainage District, with the consolidated drainage district to be known as the Irvin Rodgers Drain Drainage District, is conducive to the public health, convenience, or welfare; and whether the maintenance and improvement of the Irvin Rodgers Drain, as consolidated, is necessary and conducive to the public health, convenience or welfare, as set forth in the petition, dated March 22, 2022, pursuant to Chapters 8 and 19 of Public Act 40 of 1956, as amended.

A presentation will be made to the Board of Determination, which outlines a brief history of the Drainage Districts, and describes the roles, responsibilities, and decisions made by a Board of Determination. The presentation is to provide background for landowners and municipalities in the drainage districts and to facilitate the dissemination of information and the receipt of testimony of landowners in the Drainage Districts. The Board of Determination will make its decisions at the end of the meeting.

Proceedings conducted at this public meeting will be subject to the provisions of the Michigan Open Meetings Act. Information regarding this meeting may be obtained from the Kent County Drain Commissioner’s Office located at 775 Ball Ave NE, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503. Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the meeting should contact the Drain Commissioner at the number listed above or through the Michigan Relay Center at 7-1-1 (TDD) at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting to request mobility, visual, hearing, or other assistance.

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May 11, 2022

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business matters

Kimberly A. Kropf, of Lowell, operations manager for Hart Farm Apple Orchard, has been reappointed to represent District 2 growers by Governor Whitmer for a term commencing May 12, 2022 and expiring April 1, 2025.

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

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

Puzzle solutions on page 13

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BALK
BALL
BASES
BATTERY

BUNT
CATCHER
CHANGEUP
CLEANUP
COUNT
CURVE
DIAMOND

ERROR
FIELDER
FLY
FOUL
GROUND
LEAD
LOADED

ORDER
PINCH
PITCHER
RELAY
RELIEF
WALK

Guess Who?

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Answer: Jolo Siwa

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to baseball.

K S I E R T

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Answer: Strike

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CLUES ACROSS

- Scream loudly
- Antidepressant (abbr.)
- The bill in a restaurant
- Oblong pulpits
- Adult female chicken
- Abnormal breathing
- Financial obligations
- Belonging to a thing
- Winged
- Peoples
- College hoops tournament
- An informal body of friends
- Region of the world
- In an early way
- Connected by kinship
- Type of tree
- Official order
- Foundation for an idea
- Small, faint constellation
- Book lovers
- Vegetable
- Cabbage variety
- A way to heal
- Illuminated
- Dish that features a stick
- Insurance-related costs (abbr.)

CLUES DOWN

- Soldier's gear
- "Uncle Buck" actress Hoffmann
- Former measure of length
- Arabic name meaning "spring"
- Doctors' group
- Actress Susan
- Appropriate
- Brass instrument
- Before
- Popular color
- Peyton's little brother
- Partner to cheese
- Put onto
- "Much ___ about nothing"
- A way to mend
- Anger
- Soviet Socialist Republic
- Mobilized
- Resembles an earlobe
- Cut of meat
- Nigerian people
- Recently
- Square stone building at Mecca
- Adhere to orders
- Adventure story
- Marine bivalve mollusk
- Retrospective analysis (abbr.)
- Actor Pitt
- Tibetan village
- A way to change by heating
- A beam of sunshine

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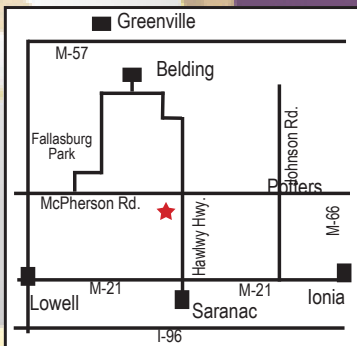


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