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## They'll Be Missed

••• The tragic deaths of Keith Krey and Brett Taylor impacted diverse groups of LHS students.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

For the ninth time in four years, Lowell High School has been left to mourn the death of a student(s). "This is the most difficult thing to deal with," said Lowell acting superintendent, Jim White, standing outside the high school Thursday morning.

News came late Wednesday night, early Thursday morning of the accident. "I received a call at 2:30 a.m. Thursday," said Lowell High School principal, Scott Vashaw. "Our building has been hit hard with student deaths over the last number of years."

This phone call was for Keith Krey and Brett Taylor who perished in a head-on accident on Alden Nash Ave. north of 36th St. in Lowell Township.

Heather Kohtz, LHS biology/life science teacher, was the last school contact the young men had as they left the high school Wednesday night.

"I saw them in the parking lot as they were leaving the powder puff game. They said, 'See you tomorrow,' and then Keith asked if we're going to the Wittenbach Center. He really liked what we did over there," she explained.

Kohtz learned of the accident at an emergency staff meeting Thursday morning. "Hearing those words just gives you a sick feeling," Kohtz explained. "Then I had to tell a class of 27 students. It makes me sick to my stomach."

Renee Sisson, a second cousin to Krey and a friend of Taylor, was still trying to sort things out on Friday. "I've had reoccurring dreams throughout much of my life that I or Sidney (Snyder) would die first. I never thought it would be Brett. I would do anything to bring him back for Jill (mother) and Sydney (special friend)."

Kohtz described Krey as a very positive, happy person bound with energy.

"He was never a behavioral problem. Keith and Brett were leaders. Other students looked up to them and respected them," Kohtz said. "They will truly be missed."

Vashaw spoke of the impact the young men had made.

"I'm taken by how these boys affected such diverse groups and grades," he explained. "From athletes to non-athletes."

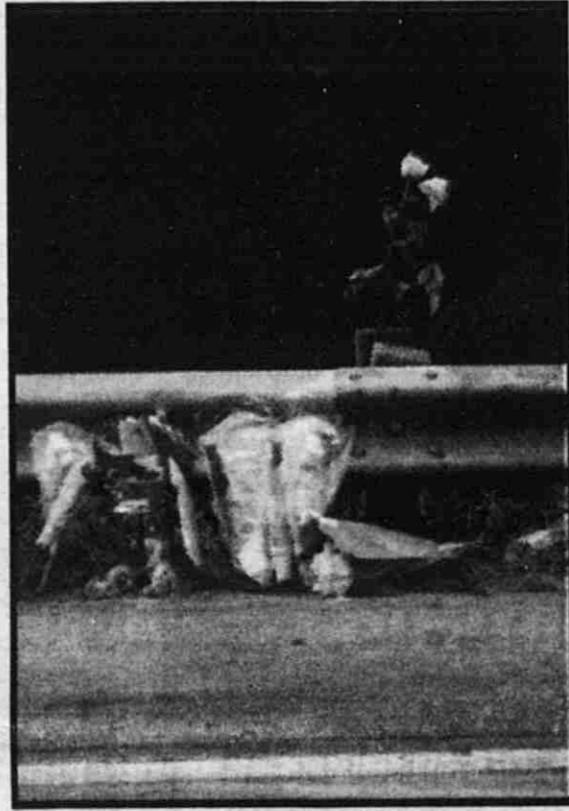
Thursday was a time for students to grieve and try to make sense of such a terrible accident. Social workers, counselors, members of the ministerium, and representatives from the Lowell Police Department were available to help students in search of support and comfort.

Taylor's mother, Jill Wenger spoke of her son's musical talents. "He was a really good drummer and had zillions of friends," Wenger said over the phone. "Brett was a non-judgmental person who was fun and friendly."

His bright personality may only have been matched by his hair. "He colored his hair all the time. He wanted to be himself... and to be different," Sisson explained.

Taylor was supposed to play at the Liquid Room this past weekend with his band, "Assailants." "He was the best drummer and he ate up playing for people," Sisson explained.

Krey had a talent for art. The junior, who at-



Flowers were placed at the site of the fatal accident Thursday morning.



Brett Taylor's drum sat beside band director, Bob Rice during half-time of Friday's game with Northview.



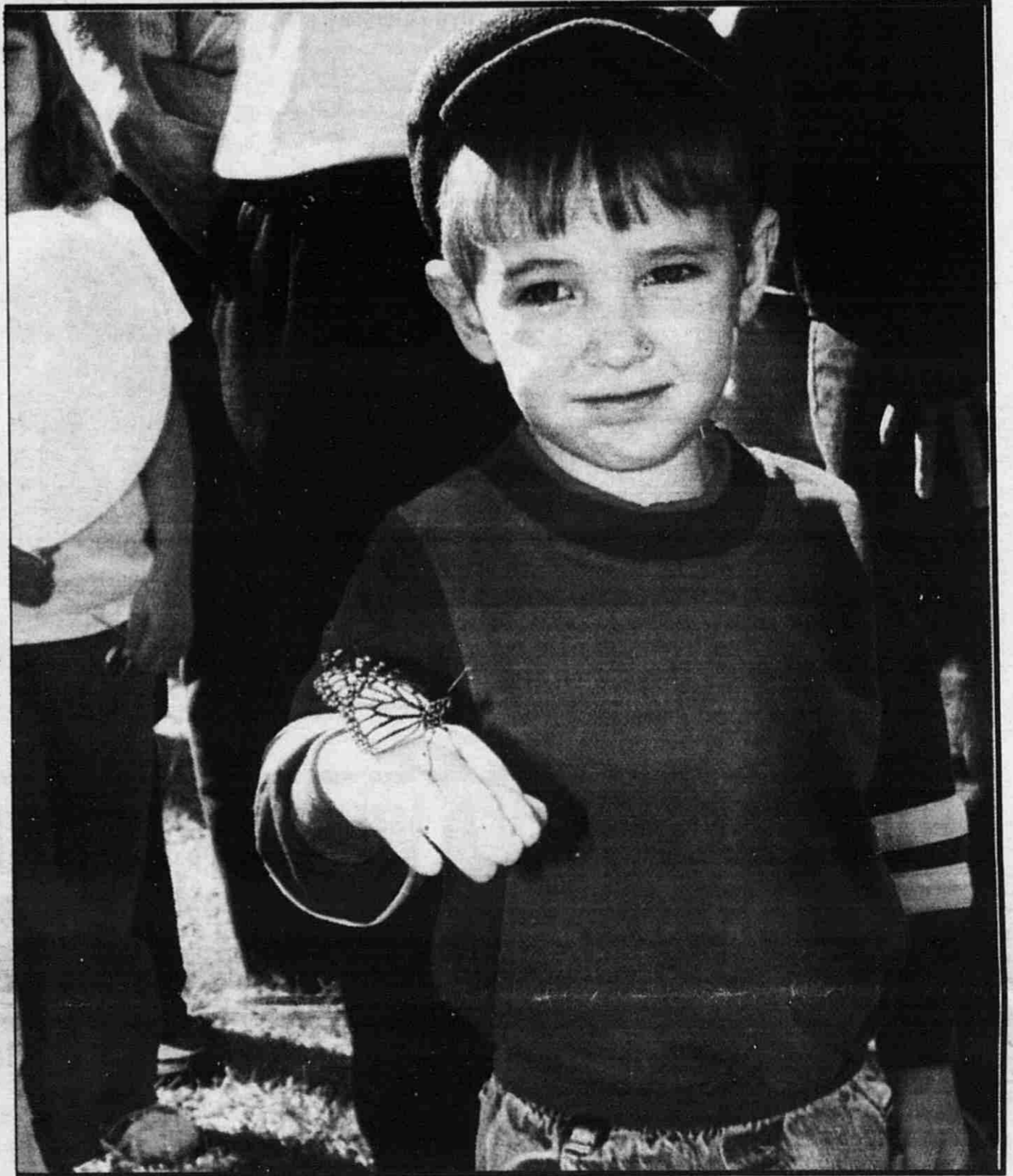
Heavy hearts wept.

tended the Kent County Technical Center, had aspirations of someday being a graphic designer.

"A group of us had decided that when we turned 18 we were going to have a piece of his art turned into a tattoo," Sisson said. "He was just a sweet guy."

The junior was described as a

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Jonathan Stewart was amazed when the butterfly landed on his hand. More Fallsburg Fall Festival pictures, page 11.

Picture Courtesy of Bruce Doll

## Parents vocal about keeping school's holiday traditions

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Exposing children to a more diverse scope of celebrations has been met with a broad swipe of criticism from parents.

"The idea of changing the parties other than Halloween was in name only," said Cherry Creek Elementary principal, Maureen Dorough. "The group opposing that has been very verbal, and good resolve has come out of it."

In putting forth the proposal, Dorough says she made too many assumptions and should have used more avenues to communicate the plan.

"I think the plan has evolved into a more diverse celebration. I do not believe that was the original intent," said school district parent, Cindy Kehoe.

As long-standing traditions and cultures, Kehoe believes it is important that the holiday party names remain the same.

"If the change in name is

not that significant, as they now want us to believe, why change the name at all?" asks Kehoe.

Talk of change initiated over the last year (2001-02) when Cherry Creek Elementary administrators looked at the Halloween party.

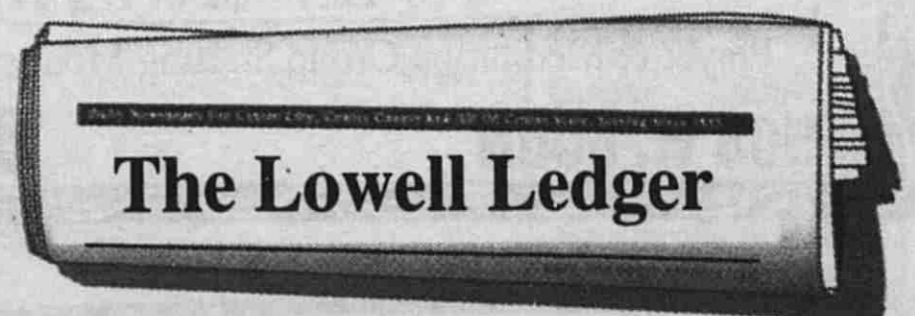
"We had over 1,000 people (850 of those were kids) in the building. We had parents coming into the building with masks on. We had neighbors picking up children," Dorough explained.

"It was a safety and security issue."

The Lowell parents speaking out against the changes understand the safety concern brought up with Halloween. "I can see the safety issue, but you will still have that issue even if you change the name," Kehoe said.

Lowell parent Ed Hawks added that security issues of checking in and out with the office need to be enforced.

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# Sharing The Vision

By Jim White

Lowell Area Schools Board of Education, administration, and staff are continuing to focus the entire district's efforts around the new vision. The vision for Lowell Area Schools includes the concept or overall theme of "balanced prepared learners." This short, but important, three-word phrase is meant to capture the essence of what Lowell Area Schools is all about.

Over the past year and a half, Lowell Area Schools has begun to review and rethink the primary focus areas involving all of our students. It has become apparent after careful study and review that employers desire young people who are well-rounded and more balanced rather than just filled with academic knowledge. As a result of these reviews and study, the Lowell Area Schools' vision (as shown) is our next road map

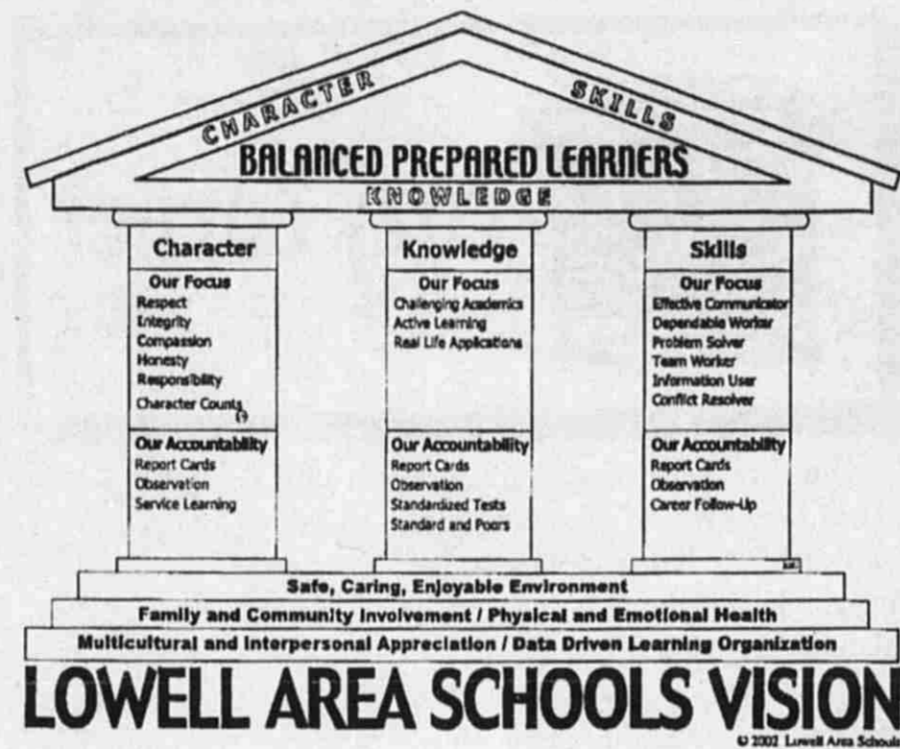
for success. The vision is crafted around three areas: knowledge, skills, and character. While schools have been seen for the past several years as the place for students to learn information and then be measured by MEAP tests, we have known for a long time that we need to be doing much more. Our focus now includes the two pillars shown on either side of knowledge. Character and skills will be incorporated into current academic lessons and we will develop different ways to measure these. In addition, we have expanded the character pillar to include a program called "Character Counts" which provides our district with many organized lessons and a broader focus around character education.

In the area of skills, we selected six skills, found throughout a broad range of investigations that were done by school personnel over a two-year period. These include students being effective communicators, dependable workers, problem-solvers, team workers, information users, and conflict resolvers. As we interviewed more and more people from the private sector, we heard over and over again that they would like students coming to them who had the personal skills to become effective workers, and that on-the-job training would help prepare them with the knowledge base they would need.

The three areas of character, knowledge and skills rest on a solid foundation which includes the fact that our schools need to be safe, caring, and fun places to be, and that families and communities must be involved. The foundation components are based around the educational research that has been proven to be effective for both school and student success.

I would hope that you would join Lowell Area Schools as we begin to implement our vision for "balanced prepared learners."

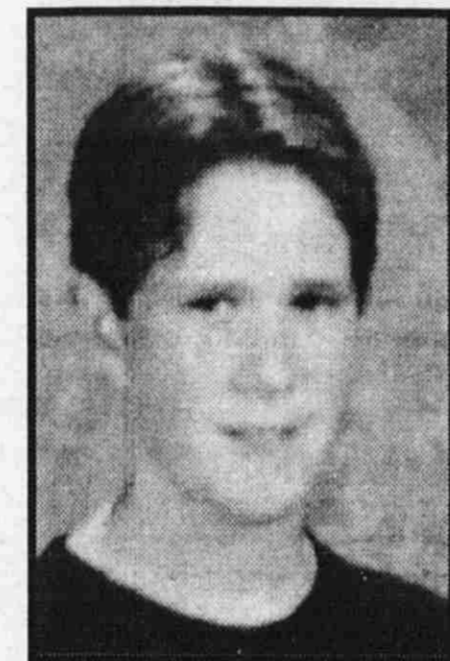
Your comments about this matter or any issue would be greatly appreciated. Send to Jim White, Lowell Area Schools, 300 High St., Lowell, MI 49331 or [jwhite@lowell.k12.mi.us](mailto:jwhite@lowell.k12.mi.us) (check out our Web page at [www.lowell.k12.mi.us](http://www.lowell.k12.mi.us))



## Juniors, cont'd... From Page 1

happy kid who always smiled and loved being with friends. The juniors were on their way home from a friend's house in Grand Rapids (helping him with his computer). They traveled I-96 to Alden Nash and were heading north towards home at the time of the accident.

The driver of the other vehicle was Paul Samoei, 21, of Grand Rapids. Samoei was transported via Aero-med to Spectrum Health Butterworth Campus.



Keith Krey

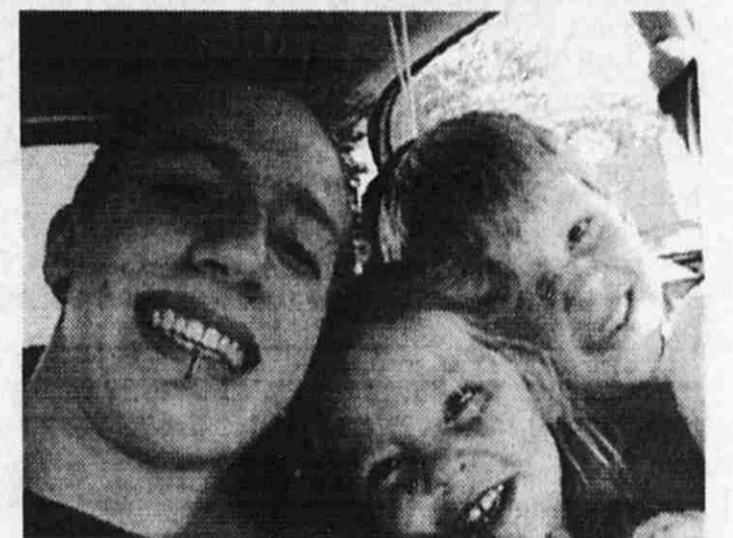
Investigators explained that it appears the southbound vehicle driven by Samoei hit the teen's vehicle head-on in their lane. The point of impact was near the right edge of the lane in which the Lowell teens were traveling.

Autopsies on Taylor and Krey came back negative to any alcohol content.

The case remains under investigation.



Rescue personnel were called to the scene Wednesday night around 11 p.m.



Pictured to the right, are Brett Taylor, Corina Rose Wenger and Jeremiah Wenger.

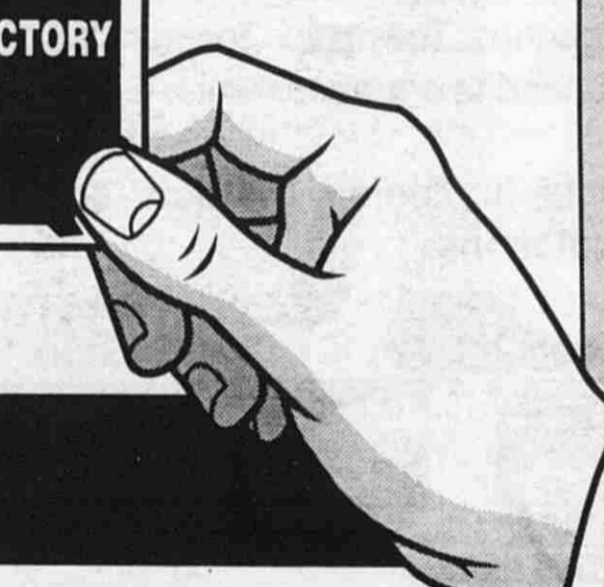
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# Robinson descendents donate artifacts to museum

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The children of Hazel K. Stocking Kropf made a donation to the Lowell Area Historical Museum just as their

mother had inscribed on the box on May 15, 1975. "She had a lot of faith," said Lowell Area Historical Museum executive director, Judy Straub, in reference to

the memo which was written 26 years before Lowell became home to its own museum.

The Kropf family are descendents of Rix Robinson, the first white man to settle (1821) in West Michigan. Robinson succeeded Madame LaFromboise as an Indian trader. He continued the business until 1834.

Kropf handed down to her children all of the pictures and mementos she had collected and preserved over the

years. These items were handed down to Kropf from her mother.

Kropf's children, who do not live in the Lowell area, are Rodney, Walter, Carol and Charles.

"If the museum was not here, the artifacts would have gone to another community, even though the family's roots are in Lowell," said Straub. "The museum is a repository for the community's history."

The gifts included an In-

dian bowl, carved out of a knot of a tree, which belonged to Ruby Robinson Sherman, Rix's sister.

The bowl and an Indian armband were given to Clarinda Robinson from the Indians.

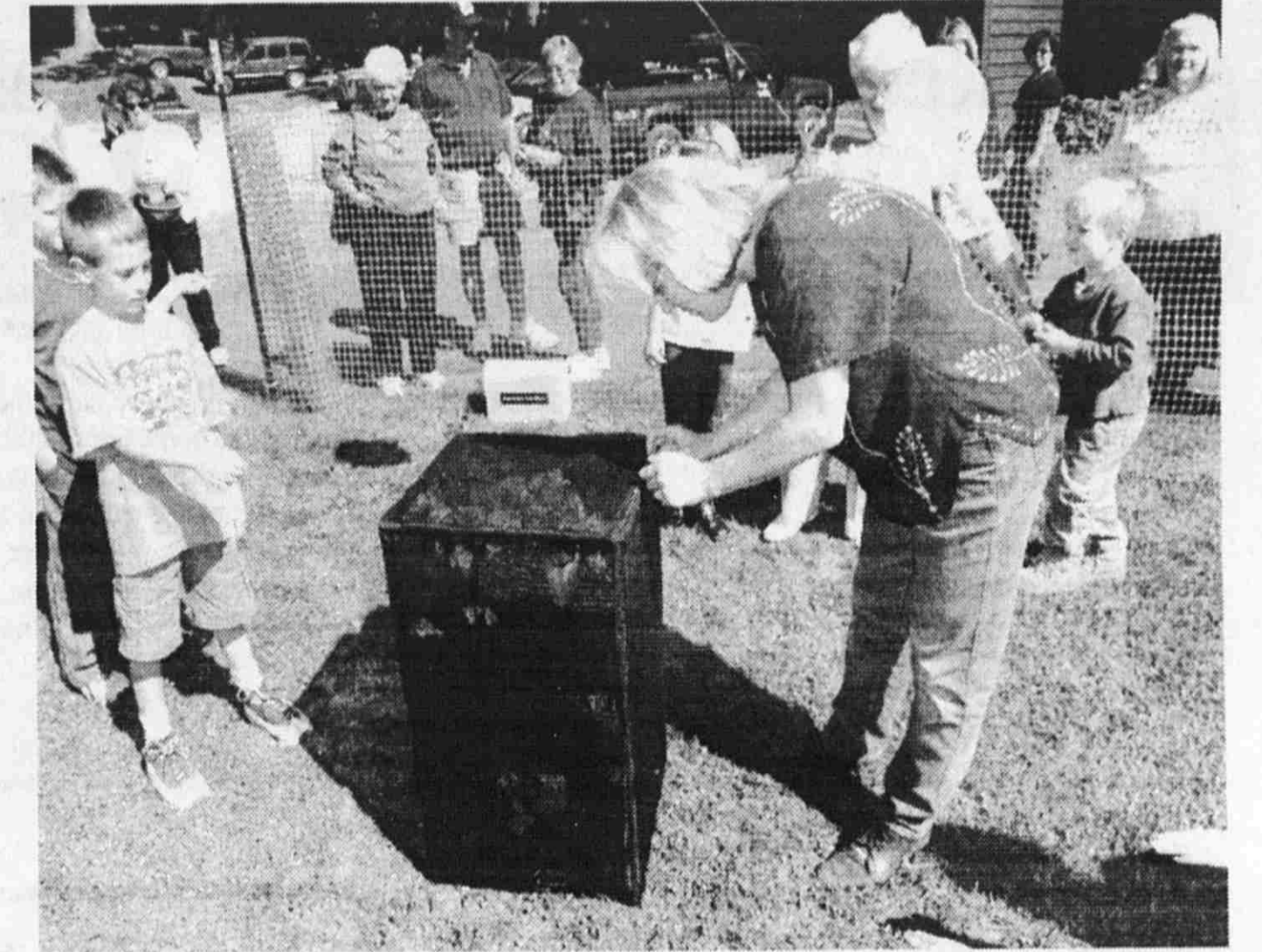
There was also an apron and a home spun linen (1810) given to the museum including a letter dated Aug. 31, 1849 from Rix Robinson to his nephew, Samuel D. Robinson about the death of his dad.

"These are gifts for today and future generations," Straub explained. "A donation like this is one of the reasons why the millage vote on Nov. 7 is so important. It will allow the museum to remain active and accessible to the community and past residents."

City residents will vote on whether to levy one-quarter of a mill for the next 10 years toward the operation of the museum.



A family sit-in at Fallasburg. Pictured from left to right is the Koehler Family ... Ron, Anna, Abby and Sherrie.



Lorain Smalligan, Lowell Area Arts Council director, prepares to release beautiful butterflies.

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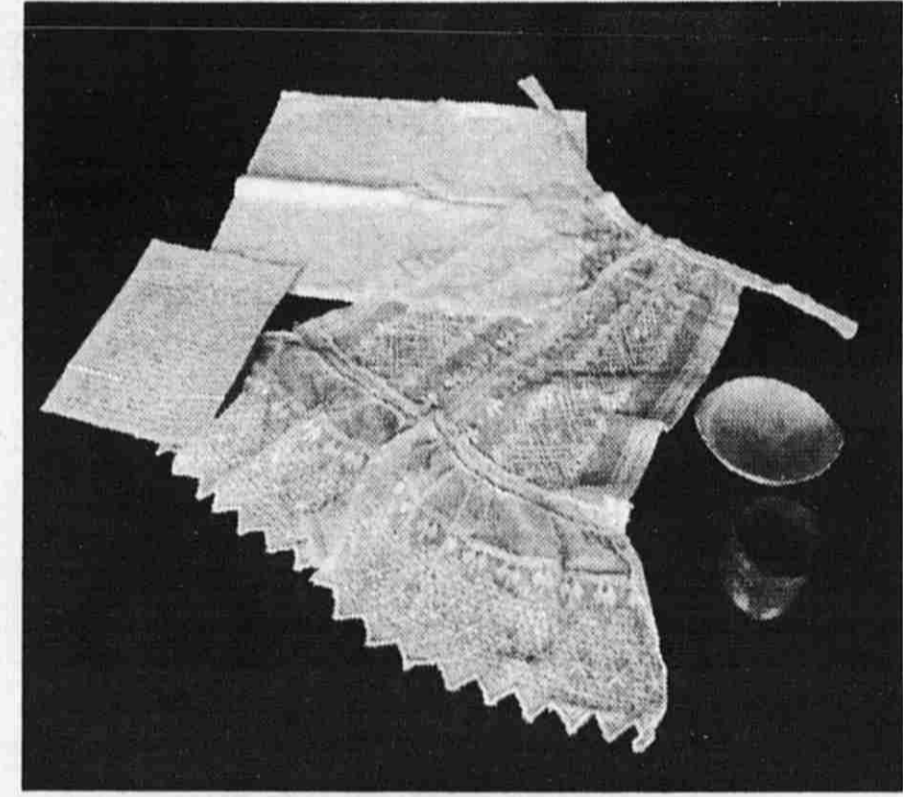
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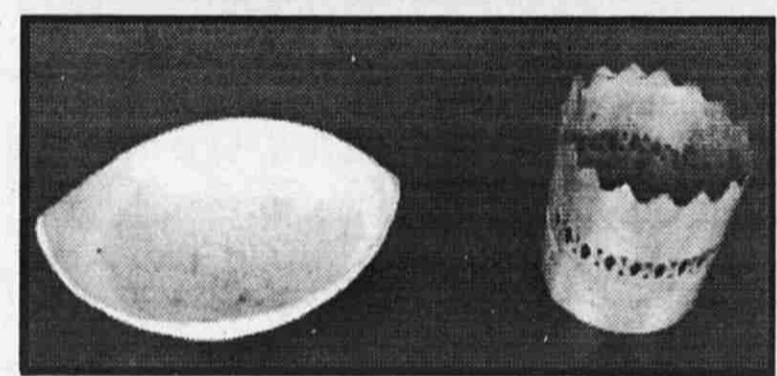
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The home-spun linen pictured to the left is nearly 200 years old



This Indian bowl and armband belonged to Rix Robinson. The bowl was carved out of a knot of a tree.

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## Fallasburg Fall Festival Under the Bright Light

Pictures by Thaddeus J. Kraus & Bruce Doll

Nine-year-old Lindsey Quiggle took in many of the children's activities at the festival, including the face painting ...



Spending a few minutes at the Paper Shells booth, from left to right, are: Olivia, Lee and Rachael Reidt.



Lowell's mayor, Jeanne Shores prepares a corn-on-the-cob for some lucky person attending the festival.



Learning the art of origami from Hito Akehi, from left to right, are: Casey Yonker, Rachel McIntyre, Angie Thode and Anna Stoloker.



The only way to see the festival ... (front to back) Brian Tonic, Ivy Stoller, Christopher Tonic and Ellie Stoller enjoyed the ride.



Chuck and Pink Gass admire this mirror designed by Cary Stage.



# Lowell powers past Northview, 42-7

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The cheers weren't as loud, the marching band's hearts were as blue as their hair, and the focus of the Red Arrow football team was not what it's been.

"These are kids. With everything that has gone on over the last two days, there was going to be a lack of focus," Lowell football coach Noel Dean said of his Red Arrows following their 42-7 win over Northview at Red Arrow Stadium Friday night.

"This has been hard on everybody. The band was hurting, the cheerleaders didn't cheer, but the kids got it done tonight and will now try to move on," Dean said in reference to the tragic car accident that claimed the lives of Lowell juniors, Brett Taylor and Keith Krey.

Lowell football players played Friday's game in black helmets. They removed the Red Arrow logos in tribute to their fallen classmates.

Two Lowell touchdowns within the opening two minutes of the game put Northview in a 14-0 hole.

Mark Catlin drove Lowell 70 yards in four plays, capping the drive on a 33-yard touchdown pass to Mike Koster.

On the ensuing kickoff, the Wildcats mishandled the



Lowell's Dustin Van Loon rumbles through a few would-be Northview tackles Friday night in Lowell's 42-7 win over the Wildcats.

kick and Jordan Moore picked up the loose ball, racing 20 yards for the touchdown and a 14-0 advantage.

"We dug ourselves a hole early and you just can't do that against a good football team," said Northview coach, Scott Robertson.

The coach and his Wildcats have learned a thing or two from good football teams over the last two weeks, losing to Lowell and last week to EGR 33-13.

"We knew this part of our schedule was going to be hell for us," Robertson said. "Despite the early hole we dug

D'Agostino and a 36-yard scoring pass to Koster with 29 seconds left in the half, giving Lowell a 28-7 lead.

"Catlin just messes everything up," said Robertson, when asked about defending the Lowell quarterback. "He makes your good defensive players look average."

Lowell's two second half touchdowns came on an 18-yard pass from Catlin to D'Agostino and on a seven-yard run by Dan Vegter.

Catlin, playing for roughly three quarters, connected on 13-of-20 passes for 207 yards and three touchdowns and one interception. The Lowell senior surpassed the 1,000 yard passing mark.

His favorite target continues to be Koster. The sophomore caught seven passes for 112 yards.

Lowell rushed for 211 yards. Ryan Dykhouse led all rushers with 70 yards. Chris Curtis ran for 40.

Lowell is now 4-1 overall and 2-1 in the O-K White.

The Red Arrows travel to Forest Hills Central Friday for the final battle with the Rangers as O-K White conference foes.



Mark Catlin ran for 33 yards and threw for 207 yards against Northview.

ourselves into, I thought the boys came out ready to play. I was proud of their effort and enthusiasm."

Northview cut the deficit to seven (14-7) when Jake Hogeboom connected with Sean Norman on a 28-yard scoring strike.

Lowell broke it open late in the second quarter when Catlin threw a four-yard touchdown pass to Matt

Lowell's Homecoming game has been rescheduled for Friday, Oct. 18 against Hudsonville.

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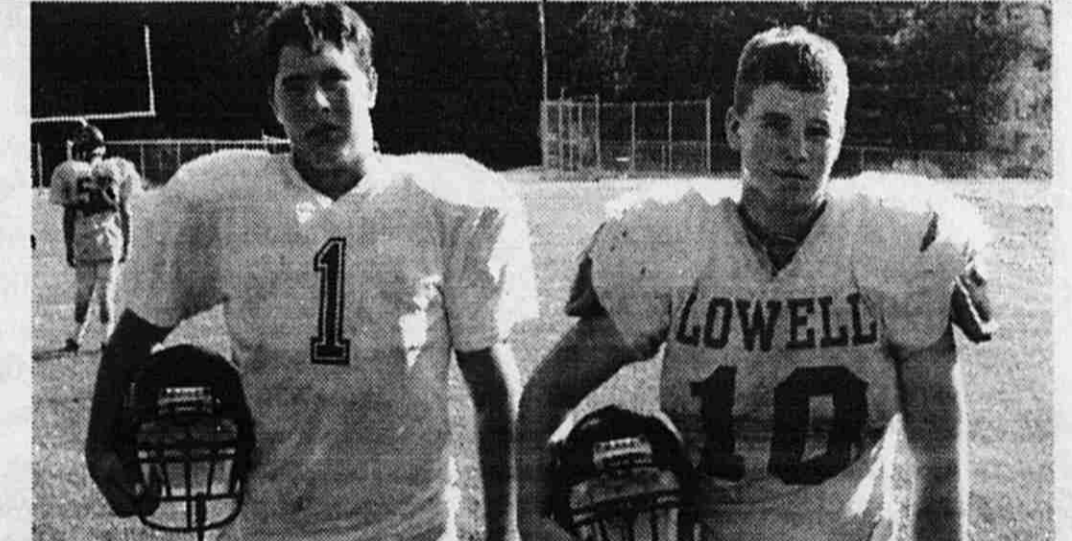
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Ed Zigmont defensive tackle;  
Mike Wildey, defensive tackle



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Cory Jones  
defensive back;  
Brad Shea,  
tight end.



78er's (L to R)  
Grant Taylor, cornerback/wide receiver, black team;  
Greg Sherman, tightend/defensive tackle, black team;  
David Gallagher, wide receiver/safety, red team;  
Jon LeFebre, center/linebacker, red team.

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## Young Red Arrow harriers finding their stride; edged out by Zeeland

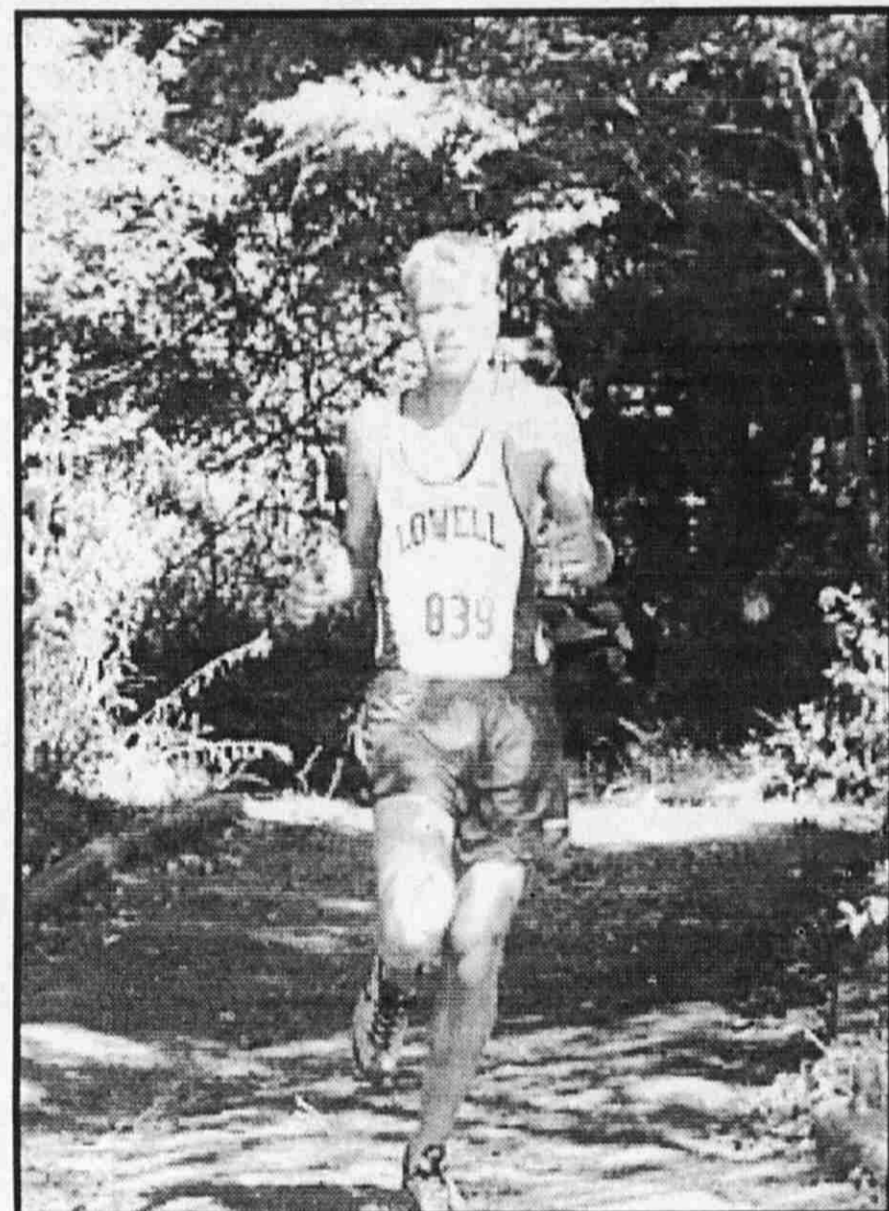
By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell's boys cross country team is starting to get that look of a competitor - from its opponents.

"Teams are starting to look at us. They are no longer shrugging us off," said Lowell cross country coach, Clay VanderWarf. "I think the boys like that."

The Red Arrows ran a great race, in their 27-30 loss to Zeeland.

The Chix just had too many top guns. Zeeland claimed the top three spots, assuring itself a victory. What it didn't know was without those top three spots, the "W" would turn to an "L".



Steve Ellison led all Lowell runners against Zeeland as he came home in 17:13.

Lowell took spots four through eight. "Our guys ran a great race. Zeeland just has three guys who can run really fast," VanderWarf said afterwards.

Steve Ellison handed in his personal best time of 17:13 on Lowell's home course.

Teammates following him home were Mitch Solon 18:08; Chris Gallagher and Nick Huizenga 18:18; and Scott Riddle 18:22.

"The guys really wanted this one. They are starting to come together," VanderWarf concluded.

### Carson City-Crystal Invitational

A flat course conducive to faster times did not yield that for Lowell boys' cross country team.

"I thought we had a legitimate shot at the top 10, but it just didn't happen," Lowell cross country coach, Clay VanderWarf said. "The bus ride over was quiet and with all that happened earlier (accident claiming the lives of Brett Taylor and Keith Krey) in the week, I'm not sure they felt like running."

Lowell finished 16th with 397 points. Winning the Division A portion of the invitational was Richland Lake with 142 points. East Grand Rapids was second with 166 and Catholic Central was third at 180. Forest Hills Central placed fourth with 183 and Rockford was fifth at 187.

Steve Ellison, 45th, led the way for Lowell in a time of 17:33 followed by Nick Huizenga, 85th, 18:07; Chris Gallagher, 86th, 18:08; Mitch Solon, 88th, 18:10; and Eric Schumm, 93rd, 18:14.

The challenge has been set before them.

Lowell coach Clay VanderWarf believes his girls cross country team will need to work a little if it plans on returning to the state meet for a fourth consecutive year.

"Many of the teams in this area have improved," VanderWarf stated. "I think we will have to improve a little. The girls are going to have to fight to get a spot this year."

Saturday, at the Carson-City Crystal Invitational, that fight seemed a little subdued. "It was the same feeling I got from the boys," VanderWarf explained. "They ran okay, but I was expecting faster times."

Lowell placed ninth with 227 points. Rockford won the event with 24. Grandville was second at 151, followed by Grand Rapids Christian 183 and Middleville 211. Traverse City Central rounded out the top five at 213.

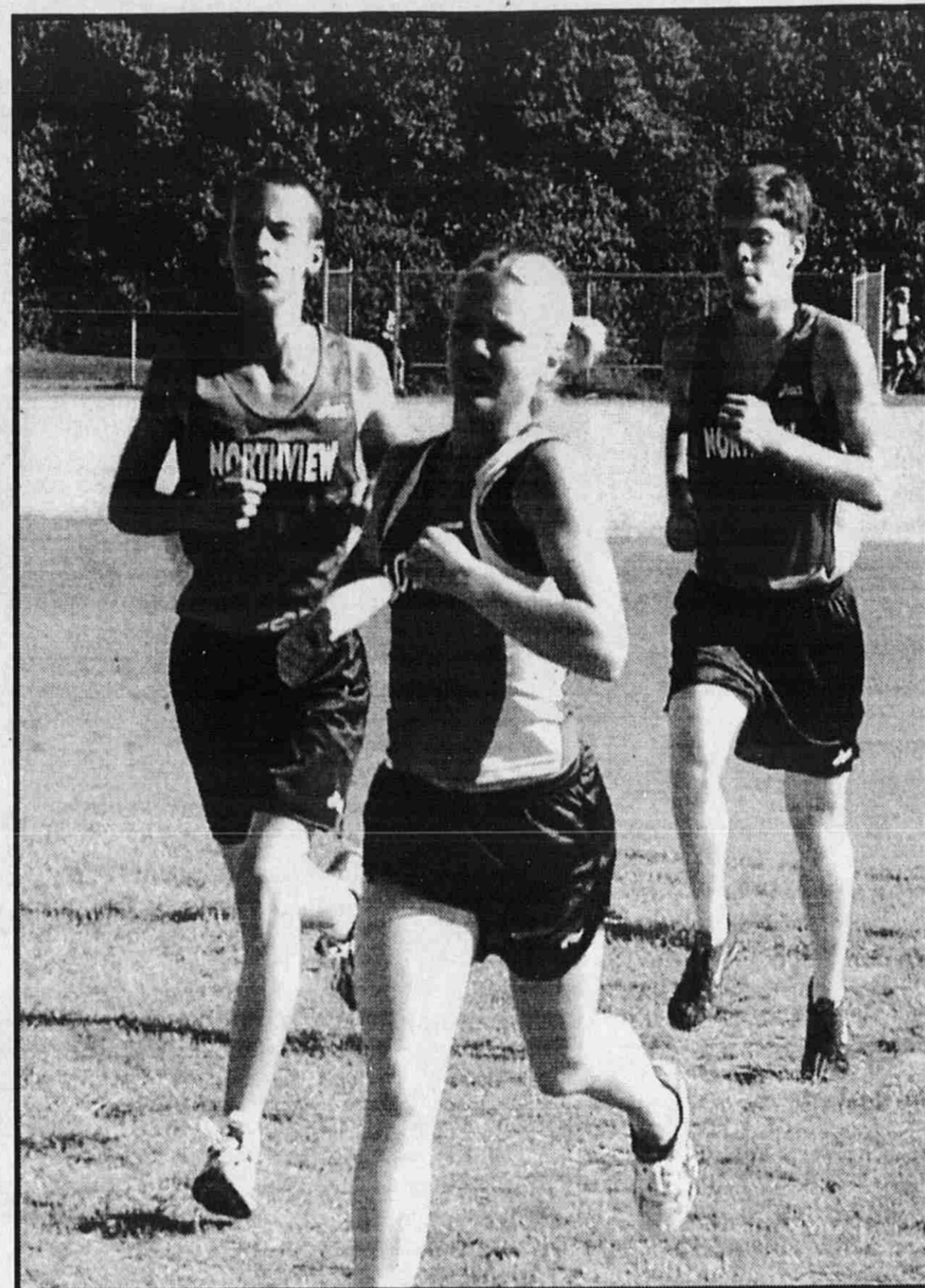
Lisa Wojciakowski, 12th, led all Red Arrows, stopping the clock at 19:52. Sarah Swab, 33rd, finished in 20:34, followed by Holly Plattner, 56th, 21:09, Natalie Kent, 61st, 21:14; and Abbie Blanding, 64th, 21:22.

Against Zeeland on Wednesday, Lowell ran past the Chix 23-34.

Lisa Wojciakowski was the top Red Arrow harrier in a time of 19:59. Sarah Swab was second overall, stopping the clock in 20:40.

Holly Plattner finished sixth, coming home in 21:44 while Abbie Blanding came in on her heels in 21:45.

Natalie Kent was eighth at a time of 22:05.



Holly Plattner placed sixth against Zeeland.



Sarah Swab was second to teammate, Lisa Wojciakowski against Zeeland on Wednesday.

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## Levingston, Noall lead Lowell netters past Zeeland

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell's tennis week started on a sweet note and ended on a sour note.

The Red Arrows won five of eight matches against the Chix to post their first league win of the season.

Lowell split their singles matches and claimed three of four doubles matches.

Posting victories in singles play were Mandy Gunberg and Stevi Thompson.

Gunberg, playing second singles, made quick work of Alison Fineout 6-0, 6-0.

"Mandy was incredible. She mixed her shots well and played good tennis," said Lowell tennis coach, Bonnie Wall.

Thompson, fourth singles, used a strong serve to set up winning shots in defeating Jenny Schwartz 6-1, 6-3. "Stevi really played very well," Wall said.

In first doubles, Kristie Noall and Shannon Levingston were 6-3, 6-3 winners against Zeeland's Leslie Glupker and Junny Ung.

"Kristie was aggressive at the net and put shots away. Shannon had good ground strokes which helped set up Kristie," Wall said.

Rachelle Levingston and Katie Huver, playing second doubles, upended Martha DenHarder and Jenn Kleinjar 3-6, 6-3, 6-2.

"This match was crucial. The girls did a good job of battling back to get the win," Wall said.

Amanda Grochowalski and Jenny Geelhoed straight set Kara Alferink and Kristen Depree at third doubles 6-1, 6-3.

### FHC 7, Lowell 1

Lowell's only win came in second singles, as Mandy Gunberg defeated Lauren Field 6-0, 6-2.

## Lowell rides big first half to victory over Forest Hills Central

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

An intense first-half of basketball enabled the undefeated Lowell girls basketball team to build a 17-point lead (26-9) against Forest Hills Central.

"The girls played well in that first half. They jumped to the ball and scored well," said Lowell basketball coach, Dee Crowley.

In the second half, the Red Arrows played with less aggression while playing to hold onto their lead. A good Ranger club (1-1, 5-2) took advantage as it outscored Lowell 24-14 over the final 16 minutes, pulling as close as six points before falling to Lowell (3-0, 9-0) 40-33.

"We started the second half by missing a layup and two foul shots. If we make those shots, that sets a different tone for the second half," Crowley explained.

The Red Arrows did maintain their offensive balance throughout the entire 32 minutes.

Blair Meyer and Becky Bosserd led the way with eight points apiece. Kendra Gallert and

Becky Bosserd turned steals into layups against the Rangers.



## Red Arrows struggle in 3-2 win over Reeths-Puffer

••• The win pushed Lowell soccer team's record to 10-0-1.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Reeths-Puffer wasn't supposed to be strong.

Lowell's lack of intensity, and possibly getting caught looking ahead to its soccer match against Forest Hills Central, nearly cost the number sixth ranked team in the state its first loss of the season.

Lowell trailed 1-0 with approximately 15 minutes to play in the game, before a flurry of goals in a three-minute span propelled the Red Arrows to a 3-1 lead and eventually a 3-2 nonconference win.

"It was kind of a sloppy game, but the boys got things sorted out and took care of business," said Lowell soccer coach, Paul Legge. "We were not as intense and as focused as we should have been."

Sam Oberlin netted two of the three goals for the Red Arrows on assists from Kevin Gillman and Shane Stokes.

Lowell's other goal was booted in by Stokes on an assist from Oberlin.

## Red Arrow golfers split meet with Northview and Forest Hills Northern

Lowell's golf team split its triangular meet with Northview and Forest Hills Northern at Thousand Oaks on Tuesday (Sept. 24).

The Red Arrows shot a 174, leaving them 10 strokes behind Northview. Forest Hills Northern finished with a round of 177.

The split pushed the Red Arrow record to 4-5 in the O-K White and 7-5 overall.

"We didn't play real well," said Lowell golf coach, Jack Ogle.

Leading Lowell was Luke Tomczak with a round of 41.

In defeat, the Red Arrows got solid play from Heather Geelhoed at third singles. The senior lost in three sets 6-4, 3-6, 1-6.

Rachelle Levingston and Katie Huver, playing second doubles, also lost in three sets 6-3, 4-6, 3-6.

### Hudsonville 5 Lowell 3

Opportunity for a second conference win within three days was there for the taking; the Red Arrows, however, were unable to capitalize.

"I usually keep things pretty positive, but I told the girls afterwards that this is a match we should have won," said Lowell tennis coach, Bonnie Wall. "They just didn't dig in as much as they needed to in critical situations."

The good news ... a year ago Lowell won just five games against Hudsonville:

this year, the Red Arrows were right there with an opportunity to win.

Lowell's only win, in third singles, came from Heather Geelhoed. She won 6-3, 6-3.

Stevi Thompson, fourth singles, lost a close match in three sets 7-6(5), 4-6, 3-6.

Lowell's two wins in doubles play were handed in by Rachelle Levingston and Katie Huver, second doubles, 7-6(5), 6-1.

Amanda Grochowalski and Jenny Geelhoed won their third doubles match in three sets 7-6(2), 1-6, 6-2.

The fourth doubles team of Haley Irwin and Stacey Fleet lost in three sets 5-7, 6-2, 2-6.

Reeths-Puffer scored its second goal of the game in the latter minutes of the contest.

"We didn't do a good job of finishing/putting the ball away," Legge said. "David Cross and Ramsey Charrouf, off the bench, did a good job of lifting our play."

The win improved Lowell to 10-0-1.

"There are a lot of people out there that think we're overrated and have played a weak schedule, but these boys are eager to prove they are the best in West Michigan."

That chance comes this week against Forest Hills Central.

"We'll have to come out early and match their intensity," Legge said. "A key will be for us to score early, putting pressure on them and giving us some momentum."

Lowell's scheduled game with Rockford was cancelled because of the tragic accident which claimed the lives of Keith Krey and Brett Taylor. The game will not be rescheduled.

Dan Harrison and Dave Maylone both carded nine-hole scores of 44.

Chris Lechner and Matt Scheider came home in 45. The match medalist was Northview's Rick Kelbel with a 37. Northern's Alex Troger was three shots behind at 40.

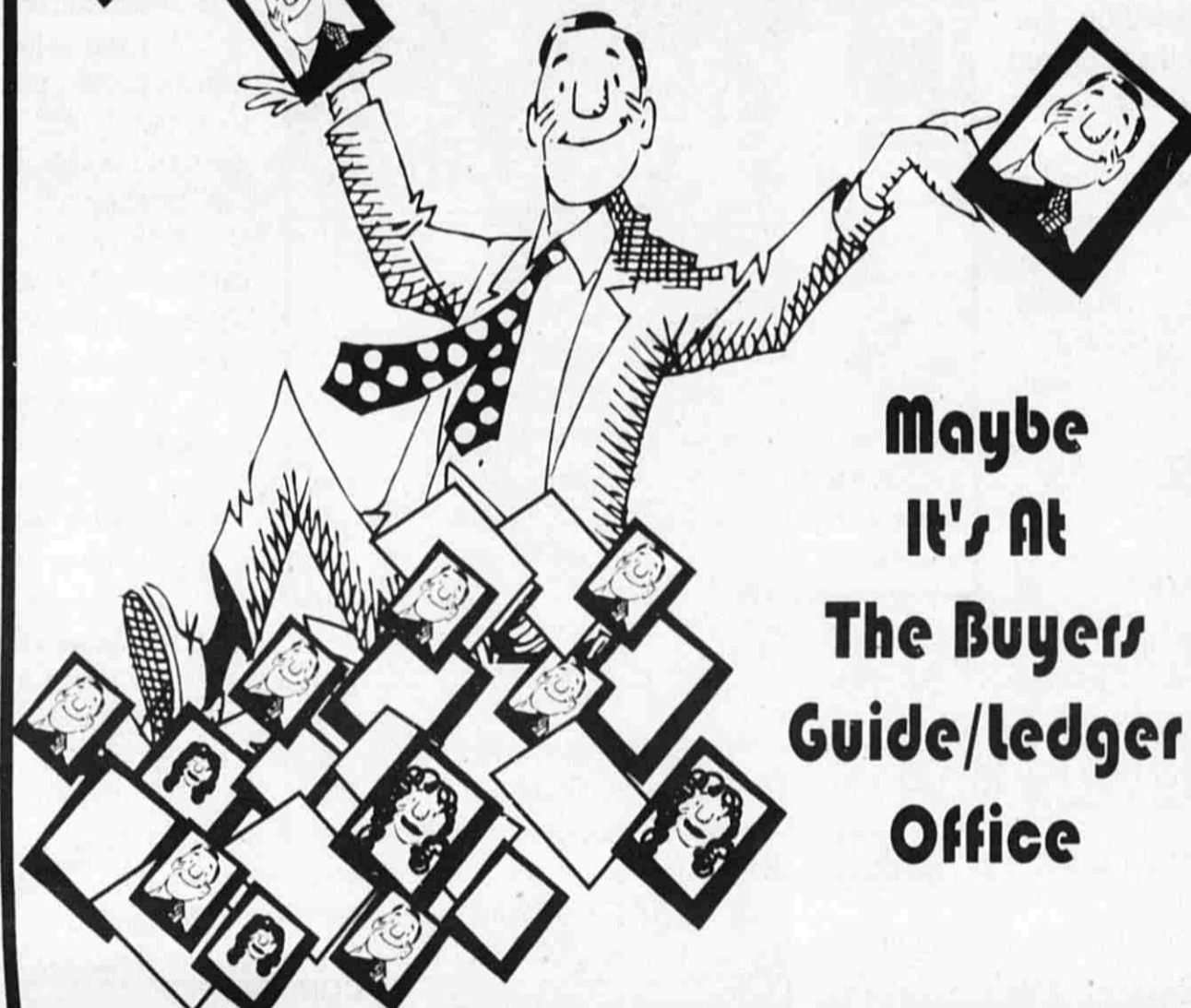
The other three Wildcats all came in under 44. Justin Bott and Jeremy Schumaker fired 42s while Jack Edin finished with a 43.

Northern's other three scores were handed in by Brandon Sprotte 45, Tim Ellis 46, and Tim Jang 46.

# LOOK AHEAD: 2003 Football Schedule

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| 2003 O-K Conference White Division             | Friday, Sept. 19<br>Kenowa Hills @ Lowell | Friday, Oct. 10<br>Unity Christian @ Lowell          |
| Aug. 28 or Aug. 29 Nonconference Game          | Friday, Sept. 26<br>Northview @ Lowell    | Friday, Oct. 17<br>Cedar Springs @ Lowell            |
| Friday, Sept. 5<br>Lowell @ Sparta             | Friday, Oct. 3<br>Lowell @ Greenville     | Friday, Oct. 24<br>O-K White crossover game @ Lowell |
| Friday, Sept. 12<br>Lowell @ East Grand Rapids |   |  |

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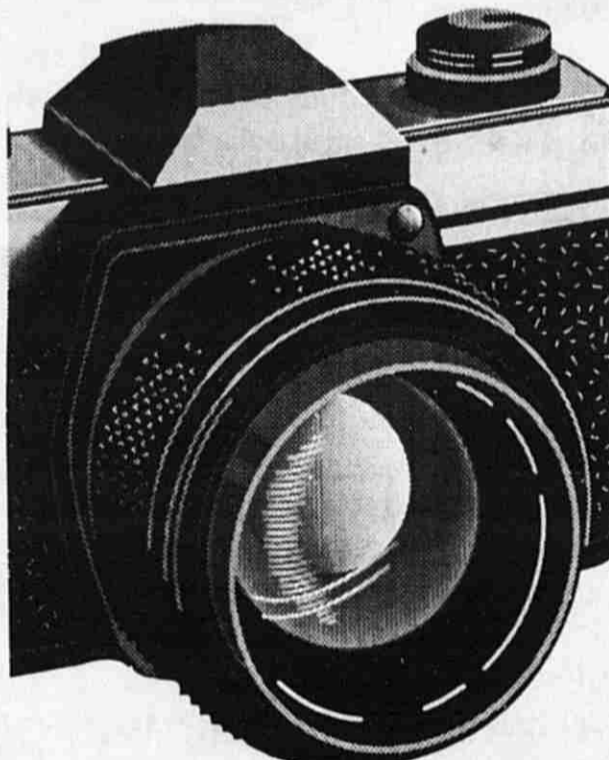
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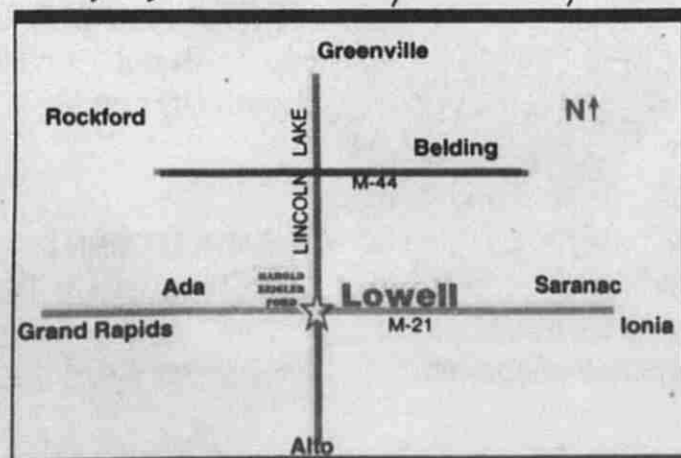


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|  <p><b>SAVE \$814!</b></p> <p>1999 FORD F-150 SUPERCAB<br/>4x4, 4-dr., Lariat, short bed, bed liner. #L7732A<br/><b>Blue Book Says: \$18,695</b><br/><b>Zeigler Says: \$17,881</b></p>         |  <p><b>SAVE \$2,184!</b></p> <p>1999 JEEP CHEROKEE SE<br/>4x4, sport, air, towing pkg., alloy wheels. #L7717<br/><b>Blue Book Says: \$14,465</b><br/><b>Zeigler Says: \$12,281</b></p> |  <p><b>SAVE \$5,059!</b></p> <p>1999 CHEVY VENTURE<br/>Auto., LS, air, roof rack, privacy glass. #L7707<br/><b>Blue Book Says: \$14,940</b><br/><b>Zeigler Says: \$9,881</b></p>            |  <p><b>SAVE \$1,544!</b></p> <p>1999 DAEWOO LEGANZA CDX<br/>Sedan, air, cruise, moon roof. #22831A<br/><b>Blue Book Says: \$10,025</b><br/><b>Zeigler Says: \$8,481</b></p>        |  <p><b>SAVE \$1,794!</b></p> <p>2000 FORD F-150 SUPERCAB<br/>4x4, short bed, XLT, air, cruise, bed liner. #L7739<br/><b>Blue Book Says: \$23,275</b><br/><b>Zeigler Says: \$21,481</b></p> |
|  <p><b>SAVE \$1,179!</b></p> <p>1999 FORD TAURUS SE<br/>Auto., sedan, air, pwr. seat. #22774A<br/><b>Blue Book Says: \$10,060</b><br/><b>Zeigler Says: \$8,881</b></p>                         |  <p><b>SAVE \$1,654!</b></p> <p>2000 FORD RANGER SUPER CAB<br/>4x4, 5 spd., 4WD, XLT, towing pkg. #L7734<br/><b>Blue Book Says: \$17,135</b><br/><b>Zeigler Says: \$15,481</b></p>     |  <p><b>SAVE \$4,644!</b></p> <p>2000 CHEVY SILVERADO 2500<br/>4x4, 4th door, LS, air, hard Tonneau cover. #L7701A<br/><b>Blue Book Says: \$26,525</b><br/><b>Zeigler Says: \$21,881</b></p> |  <p><b>SAVE \$2,729!</b></p> <p>2000 FORD ESCORT ZX2<br/>auto., air, tilt, moon roof, r. spoiler. #L7672A<br/><b>Blue Book Says: \$10,610</b><br/><b>Zeigler Says: \$7,881</b></p> |  <p><b>SAVE \$3,529!</b></p> <p>2000 FORD EXPLORER<br/>4x4, XLT, r. air, alloy wheels, running brds. #L7750<br/><b>Blue Book Says: \$22,410</b><br/><b>Zeigler Says: \$18,881</b></p>      |
|  <p><b>SAVE \$3,534!</b></p> <p>2001 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS LS<br/>Air, pwr. steering, AM/FM stereo. #L7731<br/><b>Blue Book Says: \$19,415</b><br/><b>Zeigler Says: \$15,881</b></p>           |  <p><b>SAVE \$1,504!</b></p> <p>2001 CHEVY CAVALIER<br/>Auto., air, ABS, dual frt. air bags. #L7713<br/><b>Blue Book Says: \$10,385</b><br/><b>Zeigler Says: \$8,881</b></p>           |  <p><b>SAVE \$2,779!</b></p> <p>2001 OLDSMOBILE ALERO GL<br/>Air, ABS, traction ctrl., r. spoiler. #L7650<br/><b>Blue Book Says: \$14,660</b><br/><b>Zeigler Says: \$11,881</b></p>         |  <p><b>SAVE \$1,919!</b></p> <p>2001 FORD FOCUS ZX3<br/>Auto., cruise, AM/FM, alloy wheels. #L7646<br/><b>Blue Book Says: \$12,400</b><br/><b>Zeigler Says: \$10,481</b></p>       |  <p><b>SAVE \$4,049!!</b></p> <p>2002 FORD EXPLORER<br/>4x4, 3rd seat, XLT, r. air, towing pkg. #L7720<br/><b>Blue Book Says: \$27,530</b><br/><b>Zeigler Says: \$23,481</b></p>           |

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