

Village unveils \$28 million budget

Public can weigh in on it at Nov. 15 public hearing

By MATT GEIGER
Mount Horeb Mail

The Village of Mount Horeb will hold a public hearing on the proposed 2024 budget in-person on Wednesday, November 15 at 6 p.m. in the Board Room of the Municipal Building, 138 E Main Street.

The proposed budget includes \$28,037,430 in spending, and the village hopes to collect \$7,237,034 in property taxes. The draft budget includes \$9,027,114 in general fund expenditures, \$2,845,284 in debt service and \$1,459,112 in spending on capital projects.

The assessed value of land in Mount Horeb rose by more than 25 percent this

year, from \$873,404,820 to \$1,099,480,800, which means despite the fact that the village expects to collect significantly more in taxes, the mill rate would decline by 18.5 percent, from \$6.321906 to \$5.146463 per \$1,000 of assessed value. That means a Mount Horeb resident would pay \$2,058 in village taxes on a \$400,000 home.

The village currently has \$43,434,323 in outstanding debt.

The budget could still change prior to final adoption by the village board.

See a full breakdown of the budget in this week's newspaper (on page 18) or at www.mounthorebwi.info.

Trick-or-Treat hours!

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hours of 5 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31.

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Mount Horeb Police Detective Jennifer Schaaf (right) with State Rep. Mike Bare (D-Verona) at the Wisconsin Capitol last week. Photo contributed.

Local detective wins First Responder of the Year

Schaaf honored in ceremony at the State Capitol

By MATT GEIGER
Mount Horeb Mail

State Representative Mike Bare (D-Verona) welcomed Mount Horeb Police Department detective Jennifer Schaaf to the State Capitol on Tuesday, Oct. 19, where she was recognized as First Responder of the Year for the 80th Assembly District.

"Detective Jennifer Schaaf has proven to be a tremendous asset to the Village of Mount Horeb and its Police Department," said Bare. "She has continually shown immense care and compassion for her colleagues and Mount Horeb's residents. I am honored to have been able to recognize

her accomplishments and am grateful for her service to the 80th District."

Schaaf has served with the Mount Horeb Police Department for 10 years. In that time, she has garnered a reputation for treating citizens compassionately and fairly. Last week, she praised Mount Horeb resi-

dents for their sense of community and their kindness to local first responders.

When asked why she went into a career in law enforcement, Schaaf replied: "There are a lot of reasons, but at the end of the day it's to stand up for people who can't, or won't, stand up for

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County wants to spend \$19 million to turn former brewery into elections center

By MATT GEIGER
Mount Horeb Mail

Dane County clerk Scott McDonell announced last week that the county intends to build its new, \$19 million "state-of-the-art" Dane County Elections Center in the building that formerly housed the Ale Asylum brewery, in Madison. Located near the airport, the 4.9-acre site is already on county-owned land and is zoned as a suburban em-

ployment district.

The full Dane County Board is scheduled to vote on the purchase at its Nov. 2 meeting.

"We are committed to holding safe, secure and accessible elections, which the current political situation and threats from election-outcome deniers have made increasingly difficult," says McDonell. "Most important of all, election workers are leaving for other jobs be-

cause they do not feel safe. Here in Dane County, some have received death threats. This building represents the beginning of a safer environment for election officials in Wisconsin."

The county has been working with Wold Architects and Engineers, which presented a draft report earlier this month that evaluated two potential sites, 2002 Pankratz Street (Ale Asylum), and 2919 Com-

merce Park Drive (United Vaccines). Wold said the 45,000 square foot Ale Asylum property, located at 2002 Pankratz Street was the best option for adaptive reuse into an elections center facility.

"Based on our analysis of each facility, Wold's opinion is that the 2002 Pankratz Street property presents the best opportunity for adaptive re-use to accommodate the programmatic and func-

tional requirements of the County Clerk's office for operating an Elections Center facility," stated Wold's report to the county board. "A total project budget of \$18,784,075 is recommended to purchase, renovate, and outfit the facility."

This input is in addition to a prior analysis Wold did for the county and Madison and a task force chaired by UW-Madison political sci-

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Halloween News



Follow these important safety tips

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Local police provided the following safety tips:

COSTUMES

- Masks, beards, wigs and costumes should have a flame-resistant label.
- Use non-toxic make-up if you can. If you choose to wear a mask, hat or scarf, etc., it should fit properly and not obstruct vision or restrict breathing.
- Use reflective tape on costumes and trick-or-treat bags.
- Wear sturdy, well-fitting shoes.
- Keep costumes short enough to prevent trips and falls.
- Swords, knives, wands, etc. should be short, soft and flexible to prevent injury.

TREATS

- Parents should examine all candy before eating.
- Throw away anything that is unwrapped, has torn packaging or looks questionable.
- Wash and cut all fruit before eating.
- Don't eat anything homemade unless you know the cook very well.



- Call the police regarding any suspicious treats.

TRICK-OR-TREATING

- Have a responsible adult or older responsible child accompany young children.
- Carry a flashlight with fresh batteries to see and be seen.
- Don't forget your cell phone to call 911 in case of an emergency or to report suspicious/unlawful activities.
- Don't run between parked cars or across lawns. Use sidewalks.
- If no sidewalks, walk on the left side of the street facing traffic.
- Only go to houses that have outside lights on in your own neighborhood.
- Do not enter homes or apartments unless accompanied by a responsible adult.
- Stay together. Older kids trick-or-treating without a parent should walk in groups.

YOUR OWN HOUSE SAFETY

- Turn your porch light on so children know it's okay to visit your home.
- Remove obstacles from lawns, steps and porches. Keep jack-o'-lanterns away from landings and doorsteps and away from costumes.
- Inside, keep lit pumpkins away from curtains, decorations and furnishings.
- Never leave candlelit pumpkins unattended.
- Let young children use markers on pumpkins. Or invest in a pumpkin cutter equipped with safety bars.
- Control your pets. Keep them in a safe place during Trick-or-Treat hours to prevent lost pets or children getting jumped on or bitten at the door.

HAVE FUN AND BE SAFE!

Local History

How Udelhoven uses history to help people connect with community

By **DANIEL LINS**
Mount Horeb Mail

Destinee Udelhoven, director of the Mount Horeb Historical Society, says the decision to go into her career was an easy one.

She pursued an undergraduate degree in history and English arts, and she describes it as a “multi-pronged degree.”

She said she did not want to teach, so she asked a professor what else she could do with a history degree.

The professor suggested that she goes into an, at the time, newer degree called Museum Studies, and she did just that, graduating with her degree in 2004.

She says, when she was younger, she was an avid reader and enjoyed story telling, and she says the stories of history is what makes history so appealing to her.

“It felt like a good fit, even though I did not think about that when I was younger,” she said.

She says the Historical Society starting from “scratch”, and a new beginning for the Society, helped a lot in her decision to move to Mount Horeb and start working here.

Udelhoven says helping the community do something new, as well as bigger and better, motivates her every day.

She added how people may be surprised that her job actually does not have much to do with history, it is more on the planning and fundraising side of things.

Udelhoven mentioned that she is most proud of having a facility in the Historical Society that people can be proud of, and somewhere their stories can be shared within.

“I think we have done a great job presenting Southwestern Dane County history in a way that people can connect to and be proud of.”

She added, in the rare occasion that she gets free time, she loves to read, as well as walking her two dogs.

Udelhoven mentioned how the Historical Society has two exhibits currently, and the exhibits get changed approximately every two years.

The Historical Society is celebrating their 50th anniversary in 2025, and the



Destinee Udelhoven is director of the Mount Horeb Area Historical Society.



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Be the One to stop veteran suicide

By JERRY HOOK
Special to the Mail

As a nation, the United States has been experiencing a mental health crisis. In the veteran community, depending on which study you read, between 17 and 22 veterans die every day. This year the American Legion is continuing the Be The One Campaign. The goal of the Be the One Campaign is twofold, first to destigmatize asking for mental health support, and second to provide peer to peer support resources for Veterans and community members.

We can all play a part

in this vital mission. The Mount Horeb Public Library is hosting a Veterans Administration Presentation on Veteran Suicide Prevention at the library on November 14 at 6:30 p.m.

Please reach out to veterans in your life. We can all make a difference in our own small way, if it means saving a life isn't just something small, it is invaluable. Please be there for the people in your life.

Veterans can also play a part in this by reaching out if they need help or are struggling with stressors in their lives. As veterans we need

to be able to talk with other veterans, our friends, and family. Veterans need to be able to listen when other Veterans confide in us.

We lose more Veterans to suicide than we lost in the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Our Nation sent these young men and women off to fight our battles and they went and did everything we asked them to. Now we need to take care of them.

The second part of the equation is to let veterans know about resources. The first resource for anyone in crisis is 988, for Veterans and Service Members press

If a veteran is experiencing a medical or mental health emergency they can:

- go to an ER on their own
- call 988 and press 1 to get assistance from the Veterans Crisis Line
- 911 for an ambulance
- veteranscrisisline.net/get-help-now/chat
- Text 838255

1. The Veterans Administration Veteran Suicide Prevention and training can be found at mentalhealth.va.gov/suicide_prevention/prevention. Additional videos and information from the American Legion at legion.org/betheone/resources. The COMPACT Act Section 201

provides crisis mental health care for Veterans experiencing suicidal ideations. The COMPACT Act provides Crisis Mental Health Care Coverage for Veterans whether they are enrolled in VA Health Care or not (must have received a better than dishonorable discharge). It

can cover up to 30 days of inpatient care for acute suicidal crisis care and 90 days of outpatient care related to the acute suicidal crisis.

For more information about the COMPACT Act please go to www.va.gov. Suicide Prevention is a National priority that requires all of us to listen to others, treat others with respect, and be there for each other. Veteran suicide prevention is a priority for the American Legion, the VA and is certainly a Congressional priority. We can all play a part in preventing suicides and veteran suicides.

Bikes 4 Kidz adds Mount Horeb location

Gear up for a day of giving as Free Bikes 4 Kidz Madison announces its Fall Bike Donation Drive on Saturday, 4, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at several locations. Bikes can be dropped off at the Free Bikes 4 Kidz Madison location at Academy of Little Vikings, 1991 Commerce Drive, Mount Horeb. They can also be dropped off at Salem United Church of Christ in Verona, the Dodgeville Area Chamber of Commerce, or 354 Coyier Lane, Madison, WI.

This event marks the end of the group's seasonal mission to collect donated bicycles and spread joy to our community. The organization hopes to collect 400 gently used bikes of all styles and sizes on Saturday, November 4.

In the spring, they will distribute them "to marginalized communities through their robust network of school social workers and other nonprofit organizations."

Free Bikes 4 Kidz Madison is a 501c3 nonprofit organization that held its first



Free Bikes 4 Kidz announces Fall Bike Donation Drive on November 4, 2023 with new locations in Verona, Mt. Horeb, Dodgeville.

bike giveaway in Madison in spring 2017. We are on a mission to provide bikes to all individuals in Dane County who wouldn't otherwise have access to them. By the end of 2023, the organization will have distributed over 10,000 bikes in Dane County. Through our bike donation drives and refurbishment efforts, we aim to promote healthy living, environmental consciousness, and community engagement.



Senior Center thanks volunteers with concert and recognition party

The Mount Horeb Senior Center held its annual Volunteer Recognition Party on Oct. 19. A total of 45 volunteers enjoyed the music of the "Sutter Brothers" (Greg, Danny and Bill) along with lunch and door prizes. "We are lucky to have such a wonderful and dedicated group of volunteers who deliver meals, help serve congregate meals and package home delivered meals, answer phones and help with paperwork, pick-up and set out free food from Miller's at the Senior Center every Wednesday, help with computer work, compile our monthly newsletters, do blood pressure checks, lead a Men's Group, coordinate rides to medical appointments, taking seniors to medical appointments and donating time and baked goods for our fundraisers, and more," said senior center director Lynn Forshaug. "Volunteers are priceless!" Photo contributed.

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Gleanings

By **Barb Johnson**
Mount Horeb Mail

130 Years Ago- Oct. 26, 1893

A. Hoff has one of those artificial goods exhibitors. It is a little wonder.
Four cents a pound is the present price of Norway Herring, at Dahle Bros.’

Andrew Anderson, the popular shoemaker has returned to Mount Horeb, and will remain here all winter, to do all kinds of repairing at his usually low prices, and satisfaction guaranteed. Give him a call! Second door east of Dahle Bros.’ store.

S.A. Britton is sporting a plaster on his nose, caused by the explosion of his gun, while out hunting.

Dahle Bros. received a carload of some very well cultivated potatoes, last week, from M. Anderson, of Pine Bluff. “Our saw mill is to be moved to near Mount Horeb to saw railroad ties this winter. Oliver Gray having bought a tract of timber in that locality.”-Sugar River Recorder.

Last Friday morning James McKluskey, Blue Mounds, appeared before the municipal court, charged with selling liquor without a license. In the complaint were two separate counts, one charging him with selling in July, the other in August last. He entered a plea of guilty to both. The plea on the first count was accepted, and he was fined \$50 and costs-in all \$98.83, or, in default of payment to serve four months in the

county jail. He will during the winter at the expense of the county. These charges have been laying over McKluskey since last August, but his skipping to the northwest delayed arrest. He arrived home a few days ago.

L.J. Bergh has sold 900 watermelons, 1000 quarts of huckleberries and blue berries, 1500 pounds of grapes, 800 quarts of strawberries and 225 baskets of peaches.

120 Years Ago- Oct. 22, 1903

Albert Wieneke brought up for exhibition a mammoth pumpkin. It’s a monster, weighing 44 pounds.

The rural mail carriers in Dane county will have a meeting at Madison Oct. 27 to organize a permanent association. Arrangements have been made to meet at Simon’s hotel.

The large reservoir to contain the water supply for our fire protection is nearly completed, and is truly a great job, well worth seeing. Water will soon be let in from the Ayen & Holum tank.

Speaking about cutting and shocking corn, a man said to the Times editor one day last week this wise: The biggest day’s work on record was done by T. C. Carlson on the Bowar farm, now Lewis Rue’s place, in the town of Primrose, 104 shocks, 10 hills square in heavy corn. Let us know in your paper if you get a report of anything beating this.

Grandpa Bilse is taking advantage of the fine weath-

er and is visiting his folks on the ridges, for when cold weather sets in and the snow blows he is best contented to remain indoors in his cozy home in the German Valley.

The Perry church was crowded to its fullest possible capacity Sunday and several hundred persons failed to gain admittance to hear Rev. Voldal’s farewell sermon. He left Monday morning following, together with his family on their long journey to their native land.

Architect Gordon of the capital city was called by a committee for his decision or opinion of what kind or style of steeple would be most becoming to the church, which was so badly wrecked by lightning this summer. As there were so many differences of opinion among the members it was thought most wise to consult an architect, who recommends without hesitation a steeple of 130 or 140 feet, built of rock from the bottom and steel top, making it safe from the lightning elements.

110 Years Ago- Oct. 20, 1913

A ski slide has been ordered for Lake Park to be completed by Dec. 1.

The implement building being constructed for Reilly Bros. is about completed.

Martin Grinder, 76, died Wednesday at his home.

A number of old soldiers here went to attend the funeral for Martin Grinder held at Perry Lutheran Church last Friday, going from here in autos.

Dr. Evans has invested in a private electric plant for his residence and barns.

We can mention as a pleasant news item this week that Emma Hageseth of this place and Gerhard England of Primrose have taken out a marriage license.

The Methodist Church will serve a full chicken pie supper in the church parlors next Wednesday. The supper and program charge is 35¢ per person.

W.M. Lewis was offered the job to reassess one of our neighboring towns at \$5 per day, but declined to the disagreeable job.

100 Years Ago- Oct. 26, 1923

A very pretty church wedding took place Wednesday morning of this week at 10 O’clock, at the Springdale Lutheran Church when Rev. S. Gunderson united Miss Alice Bang, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bang, Springdale, and Otto Brager, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ole Brager, Mount Horeb..

Joe Mulcah has returned to Mount Horeb after a long illness at a Madison hospital.

A brother and sister from Perry were motoring along highway 19 Sunday night and when making the curve in the road east of Iverson’s the couple turned bottom side up, penning the occupants in the car in such a position that they were held there for three long hours. Several cars passed by but no one heard the cries from the overturned car or stopped to investigate. Fi-

nally the young man was able to release himself and saved himself and sister from a very unfavorable position. Both parties none the worse for their scare.

Not only is Wisconsin a leader in the air world, but the Gulson cheese factory with Joe Hoesli as cheesemaker, has jumped into leadership of the entire U. S. in the American Swiss Cheese industry by winning the gold medal on Swiss cheese made last May and exhibited at the International Dairy Congress held at Syracuse, N.Y. October 5-13. The score on the cheese was 97 per cent.

Ollie Statz, who has been in very poor health ever since he received his discharge from the army has at last secured hospitalization at the Edward Hines, Jr. Army Hospital. We hope that he may speedily recover and return to Mt. Horeb.

Myrtle Baxter was taken to St. Mary’s Hospital, Madison, Monday for an emergency appendectomy.

80 Years Ago- Oct. 28, 1943

White satin with lace insertions fashioned the princess gown worn by Miss Agnes T. Docken, Mount Horeb, when she exchanged nuptial vows with Mr. Martin Ole Bakken, Madison, in a double ring ceremony at noon on Saturday, Oct. 16, 1943 in the Little Brown Church in the Vale, Nashua, Iowa.

Tin collection in the village of Mount Horeb will be on Friday and Saturday mornings.

A farewell party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Thronson for their son, Clarence Thron-

son, who left yesterday to join the army.

We are informed that the Township of Blue Mounds, which includes the Villages of Mount Horeb and Blue Mounds, has gone over the top again in the Third War Loan Drive recently completed. The quota was exceeded by 7% for a total of \$121,551.00.

60 Years Ago- Oct. 24, 1963

Grabandt and Mani, who for the past 19 years have been partners in the G & M Market, Verona, said they will soon close their doors for good after a final sellout sale of goods beginning Oct. 23.

Playing at the Strand Theatre, “Flipper the Fabulous Dolphin.” The Strand hereafter starting with this program will have a common price of 50¢ to all.

40 Years Ago- Oct. 27, 1983

Mount Horeb resident Betty Drape received the Award of Merit from the Dane County Environmental Council. Thanks largely to her efforts, Mount Horeb now has a recycling center where citizens may bring sorted metal, plastic and glass containers.

A son, Paul August, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Chris Klarer, Mount Horeb on Wednesday, Oct. 19. 1983 at St. Mary’s Hospital, Madison.

Dedication ceremonies were held last Friday to commemorate the opening of the Barneveld section of the Highway 18-151 Expressway project.

Sugar River Euchre

By **Stan Hook**
Sugar River Euchre

It is with great sadness that I begin this week’s article with the announcement that the euchre league has lost another player. Dave Field passed on October 19th. Our sympathies and prayers to his family.

Kleeman Hay Shakers stacked more than enough points to defeat the Red Mouse Shufflers by 59 points. Jerry Judd and Fred Ryser (with 113 points) had the highest stacked for the team and were perfect until the 8th game when Lorreta Herfel and Dewey Haag held them to an 8. Shakers Barb Judd and Al Zimmerman stacked 110 points. Not a single Shuffler, the coolest team this week, could break 100 point barrier.

For the second week in a row, the Red Mouse Uff-

Da team forced all the air out of their opponent. With three of the Uff-Da couples scoring 110 points: John Baumgartner and Mary Humphrey, Jim Day and Blinky Maier, and Dan Meinholz and Bruce Milestone, the Viking Trolls never saw the light of day. Trolls Barb Hunter and Joni Keehn had this week’s low score of 77.

In the match between J&M Bar River Rats and the Sportsman Cheese Eaters, the Cheese Eaters held a slim 1 point advantage after 5 rounds. It was in the 5th when Kendal and Kohl Wenger were forced by River Rats Gordie Miller and Darrell Storkson to open a couple of windows to remove the skunk aroma Kendal and Kohl were emitting. Despite the skunk, the Cheese Eats went on to have a perfect round in the 6th

to pull ahead by 26 points. With great eating capabilities Giff Hoesly and Larry Disch’s devoured 113 slices of cheese. That coupled with the 112 slices downed by Brett Hoesly and Jeff Buesser the Cheese Eaters held on to win by 24 slices.

The Norsk Cowboys came out strong against the Morgan Express. They won the first five frames to go up by 24. However, the Express found a stash of coal and heated up the boilers in the sixth frame to gain 2 points. With the boilers at full strength now, the Express didn’t lose a single game in the last two frames and were able to pull into the station

12 points ahead of the Cowboys. Dave Steinhauer and Tracy Haag had 110 points for the Express, while Cowboys Marvin Thompson and Harold Schlimgen rustled 111 points.

The Norsk Prankster were unable to pull out a win from their infamous bag of tricks. The Pipe Benders led by as much as 20 through the first seven rounds. But in the eighth a couple of leaks began to appear in Pipe Benders Tracy Buetel and Jerome Krantz, as well as Chris Booth and Ross Nesheim’s handy work. Tracy and Jerome ended with a 7 in the eighth while Chris Hook and Larry Los-

enegger held Chris Booth and Ross Nesheim to just one point in the eighth. Tiny Zander and Mark Losenegger coupled enough joints together to give the Pipe Benders the 12 point win and to record this week’s high score of 115 points.

Standings:
Express 3-0
Kleeman’s 3-0
Red Mouse Uff-Da 3-0
Jones Plumbing 2-1
Cheese Eaters 1-2

J&M Bar 1-2
Pranksters 1-2
Shufflers 1-2
Cowboys 0-3
Trolls 0-3

Schedule for Oct. 26
Uff-Da @ Express (7:00)
Trolls @ Shufflers (7:00)
Cowboys @ Hay Shakers (7:30)
Pipe Benders @ Cheese Eaters (7:00)
River Rats @ Pranksters (7:30)



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Garden Club to meet November 14

The Tuesday, November 14th meeting of the Mound Vue Garden Club features speaker Susan Sanford from the Dane County Land and Water Resources Department. She will be leading a hands-on workshop on “Native Plant Milk-Jug Propagation”. Participants will learn and make these small milk jug plant starters for various prairie or woodland plants. Materials will be provided, however it would be helpful if you are attending to bring 1-2 clean 1 gallon milk jugs and garden gloves for the project.

The club meets monthly, every first Tuesday, 6:45PM, at Wisconsin Surplus, Mt Horeb, 2600 Rte 78 South, in the Violet Room. The building is located on the west side of the village of Mt Horeb (at the 2nd exit heading west off 18/151). Refreshments 6:45, presentation 7:00, business meeting 8:00.

All are welcome free of charge. Visit the club (join if you wish), learn about various topics each month, meet new friends and discover what the Mound Vue Garden Club has to offer you.



Creepy Crawl is Thursday!

The Mount Horeb Recreation Department’s annual Creepy Crawl will take place Thursday, Oct. 26. The event starts at the 4th Street entrance to the Military Ridge Trail, ending on 2nd Street. The fee is \$2. The less scary experience will take place from 6-7:15 p.m. The more scary experience will occur from 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Help others this holiday season:

Mount Horeb Giving Tree applications available now

The Mount Horeb Area Giving Tree is a volunteer organization devoted to helping others during the holiday season.

This year, we merged with Neighbors Helping Neighbors in Mount Horeb to help bring more assistance to those in need. Thanks to donations from area businesses and members in the community, the Giving Tree provides gifts for children, seniors, and people with disabilities who live in the Mount Horeb School District area. Applications for those who need help this year are currently available through November 3 at the Mount Horeb Public Library and Neighbors Helping Neighbors.

If you prefer to fill out the application online, you can find it on our website: <http://mhgivingtree.weebly.com>. Applications are due no later than November 3.

If you have a paper copy, they should be mailed to the address on the form. The application process is confidential. Questions may be directed to Jessica Killingbeck at givingtreemh@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

Mt. Horeb Seniors Shopping trip to Walmart-Dodgeville, 9:30am., Call Kris 608-444-7930

Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food Closet - OPEN 6:00 to 7:30pm

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food Closet OPEN 9:00-10:30am (Seniors)

BINGO, Mt. Horeb Senior Center, 12:30pm, sponsored by John Scheidegger

Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food Closet OPEN 3:00 to 4:30pm

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28

Neighbors Helping Neighbors-Food Closet and Clothes Closet OPEN 10:00-11:30am

MONDAY, OCTOBER 30

“Down Sizing with Ease”, 1:00pm, seminar by Jess Lux, Mt. Horeb Senior Center

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

Trivia, 12:30pm, Mt. Horeb Senior Center

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Lunch for Mt. Horeb Seniors at Fink’s Cafe, 11:00am-1:00pm.

Euchre - Mt. Horeb Senior Center, 12:30pm

Information for the Community Calendar must be emailed for the by noon on the Monday of the week of publication. Information should be emailed to mhclasses@newspubinc.com. We reserve the right to edit for length.

Vasquez to speak at PFLAG meeting

PFLAG Mt. Horeb will have its monthly meeting at the Mt. Horeb Public Library meeting room on November 6 from 6:00-8:00pm.

Speaker, Aiden Vasquez, will tell the story of his long difficult journey to becoming his authentic self. Aiden won the 2022 LGBTQ Leadership Award. On 5/12/2023, Aiden won a four-year battle against Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds, DHS, and the State of Iowa, challenging Iowa’s ban on providing Medicaid coverage to transgender Iowans seeking gender-affirming surgery. Vasquez has a podcast called TransHaven. He runs a transgender support group for parents, families and allies called Transgender Family Love and Support. He also runs a support group called TransFamily Political Information and Advocacy Group, providing a space for members to share their fears and concerns surrounding the political issues they are facing. The Aiden J. Vasquez Foundation raises money to help people in the community, providing gaffs, shapewear, binders, trans tape, food, shelter, gas cards, car repairs, and assistance with name and gender marker change.

This program is not a library sponsored event.

Aiden will join via zoom from 6:00-7:00pm. The remaining time is reserved for confidential support/sharing. No RSVP necessary for in-person attendance. RSVP at pflagmoho.org for zoom link.

Library Events

Trash Lab Interactive Exhibit: Thursday, November 2, 2:30-4:30pm

The Trash Lab is visiting the library! The interactive exhibit will be set up outside in the library parking lot. Housed in a fully accessible, 27-foot-long repurposed cargo trailer, Trash Lab features more than 10 playful interactive stations, engaging stories, and a wealth of data, along with compelling photography and video footage. Stop by to play and learn about the journey of waste, how landfills work, and new opportunities for more sustainable solutions.

Día de los Muertos Bilingual Storytime 11/2 @ 6:30pm

Activities for children and their families will begin at 6:00 pm, including an opportunity to create papel

picado and add to a collaborative ofrenda. Storytime with read alouds in both Spanish and English will begin at 6:30 pm.

Dino Romp: Saturday, November 4

Storytime @ 10:00 am Dinosaur Dimensions Performance, 10:30-11:30 am

Get DiNovember rolling at our Dino Romp! We’ll have Dino-themed Storytime at 10:00 am, followed by a performance by Dinosaur Dimensions: an amazing collection of realistic puppets present an experience like no other, featuring a cute baby Triceratops, a life size Raptor, even a Pteranodon & T-Rex! The interactive puppet show will be followed by an opportunity to meet the dinosaurs.

SAVE Veteran Suicide Prevention Wednesday, November

14, 6:30pm

(Note: Originally scheduled for November 8.) Co-sponsored by the American Legion, Frankie E. Malone Post 113

In Honor of Veterans Day, and all Veterans, our library is partnering with the Veterans Crisis Line to offer suicide prevention programming. The S.A.V.E. class, offered by the Office of Veteran’s Affairs, is a comprehensive training that educates community members, family members and Veterans on recognizing the warning signs of suicidal thoughts. This evening will guide participants in engaging in compassionate conversations, identifying support needs and effectively connecting Veterans to mental health resources.

The VA’s S.A.V.E. acronym reflects the essential steps to remember in suicide prevention:

Signs of suicide

Asking about suicide
Validating feelings
Encouraging help and expediting treatment.
All welcome. No registration necessary.

Model Train Show Friday and Saturday, November 17 and 18

Riding the rails might not be a way of life anymore, but you can still enjoy the thrill of it! Explore the world of railways at the library with the The Southern Wisconsin Sandhouse Crew as they bring their incredible model train exhibit to our library for two days only. A model train show for all ages!

The Southern Wisconsin Sandhouse Crew is an H.O. Scale model railroad club with membership based in the Madison area. The Crew will display their train layout, answer questions, and talk railroads all day!

COMMUNITY

Class Reunion



Class of ‘63 celebrates 60 years!

Mount Horeb High School’s Class of 1963 held its 60th reunion Friday, July 28 at the Violet Room, 2600 Highway 78 in Mount Horeb. Pictured are: (front row) Dawn Field Kellesvig, Sharon Hefty Jones, Phyllis Grundahl Hankel, Jackie Heuser Sale, Karen Domini Grundahl, Janet Greve Nesheim, Sharon Kahl Collins, Donna Schraepfer Cockroft; (second row) Barbara Donahue Schwoerer, Tom Sutter, Andy Connors, Bernard Schwoerer, Gary Baumgartner, Glenn Stensby, Darlene Wiest Cleary, Jackie Hamilton Brown, (back row) Howie Zweifel, Ray Norland, Paul Kellesvig, Dennis Brager, Jim Anderson, Jay Spaanum, Richard Board, Joyce Iverson Price, Judy Iverson Klitzch-Anderson, Dennis Jelle, Wing McLean, Richard Lust. Photo contributed.

Obituary

David L. Field

July 28, 1939 -
October 19, 2023

Mount Horeb/Verona - David L. Field, age 84, passed away on Thursday, October 19 of natural causes. He was born on July 28, 1939, in Madison, the son of Wallace and Florence (Topper) Field. The family farmed and David was active in the 4-H and FFA groups all throughout his school years. He graduated from Mount Horeb High School in 1957. Shortly after graduation, he joined the US Army Reserves and that is when he was introduced to the love of his life, Donna Funseth. They corresponded with letters and when he returned home, he called her and asked her on a date. He bought a brand new 1958 Chevrolet especially for the date and the rest was history. They married on April 18, 1959 at the Primrose Lutheran Church in Primrose Township, WI. They started creating their family and settled in Mount Horeb, where David, with the help of his many friends, built the family a new home in 1968. He worked for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for 39 years, retiring in 1998. He took part-time jobs for the next few years as a consultant, inspecting roads and bridges. They remained in Mount Horeb for the rest



of their lives, but wanting to escape winters, they bought a “winter” home in Mesa, AZ, in 2002 to enjoy warmer climates year-round. He was an active member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Mount Horeb and had deep faith. David was quite the athlete all throughout his life. In the summers he loved playing fast pitch and then slow pitch as he aged a bit. Later in life, he picked up golf and became quite good at it. If he wasn’t on the golf course in the summer, he was helping his nephew and family, John and Katie Field, rake and bale hay. He loved his tractor time! In the winters before heading to his AZ home, he was a great bowler and enjoyed deer camp/hunting with his buddies in Endeavor, WI. He loved listening to music, singing along to most songs. He was an avid card player and was the captain of his euchre team, taking first place numerous years. David displayed what a positive, strong, and determined man he was, overcoming many illnesses and hardships

throughout his life, with much perseverance and little complaint. David is survived by his children, Daniel Field, Debra (Mark Ryser) Segebrecht, and Diane Field; grandchildren Nicholas (Angie) Segebrecht, Ashley (Jacob) Athey, and Jessica Hefty; great granddaughters Hayden and Berkley Segebrecht, Lennon and Willa Athey, and Zion Hefty; sisters Dawn (Paul) Kellesvig and Donna (Paul) Miller; brother Donald (Cathie) Field; sisters-in-law Carol Connaughton Conant, Jean Duerst Tami, Marlene Funseth, and Judy Jacobson; many cousins, nieces, nephews, and many other relatives and tons of friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Donna Field; his son, Dean Field; his granddaughter, Samantha Mueller; his son-in-law, Steve Segebrecht; a brother, James Conant; and special friend, Janice Pittz. The family would also like to recognize the following: Dad’s second family, the Pittz’s, from Mineral Point who all treated him as their own. His caring, wonderful, and supportive caregiver, Ryan Davis, wife Ashley, and daughter Samantha. His loving niece, Lori Johnson, and husband, Monte, in Mesa, AZ, for taking care of him when he fell ill in December, 2022 until he

was allowed to fly back home to WI in March, 2023. All of his wonderful AZ “family,” especially Rod & Diane Edminster and Jan Ritenour with whom he spent the last 21+ years in the winter as a Snowbird playing cards, golfing, shuffleboard, pool time (sun bathing and playing his handheld games), casino, bingo, and Friday fish fry’s. His fun loving and competitive Norsk Golf Club buddies, young and old, guys and gals. His WI DOT breakfast club guys. His Poker, Solo, and Euchre card playing friends. His friends, and amazing staff, at Noel Manor where he enjoyed living. The Verona Police & EMS for being so compassionate. A private family service will be held at Evangelical Lutheran Church in Mount Horeb. David will be laid to rest at Union Cemetery in Mount Horeb. A Celebration of Life will be held in David’s honor on Sunday, October 29, 2023 from 2:00pm to 6:00pm at the 5th Quarter Bar and Grill, 161 Horizon Drive, Verona. To view and sign this guestbook, please visit: www.ryanfuneralservice.com. Ryan Funeral Home & Cremation Services
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Anniversary



Dennis and Mary Lokken

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Library book sale raised \$1,668

The Mount Horeb Public Library held its book sale Sept. 19-23.

“We earned \$1,668 from the opening of the sale late afternoon on Tuesday the 19th until close of the sale at 2 p.m. on Saturday the 23,” said organizer Jacque Witt. “We earned nearly as much during the Spring Book Sale as well. The sales in 2023 were up from 2022, Fall 17.5 percent.”

“Our brat and bake sale (Buy a Brat - Get a Free Book!) earned \$833.10. This was our first time with this new fundraiser and we were competing with all the Fall Fest had to offer. We didn’t have as many sales as we likely could have had if it were a different weekend. The bake sale (pies, baked goods and cookies baked by the FOL) sold well and were delicious. For those who took advantage of selecting free books with any purchase, they were thrilled and very appreciative!” she continued. “The money earned during this sale will go towards purchasing picnic tables for patron and program use at the library.”

“As always, we could use more volunteers!” Witt said. “Even if it is just for the heavy lifting (the packing, carrying, and transportation of books) no meeting attendance or anything else required, just being reliable and helping as needed. You can email MountHorebFOL@yahoo.com if you would like to help or get more involved. We are a fun group whose main goal is to raise funds that support our library and all it does for our community.”

Photo by Matt Geiger.



Springdale 4-H kicks off new season

Springdale 4-H Club kicked off the new season of 2023-2024 4-H year, with a booth at the (Village Fall Festival Sept. 30 and Oct. 1) celebrating National 4-H week with the new start of the 4-H year having been established in 1940 in the Mount Horeb area. Members who worked a shift for the 2 days event answered questions about 4-H, a handout was available with information of the Dane County 4-H online information Springdale 4-H club it self was available to people interested in 4-H. A display board completed by the Springdale 4-H Historian Officer that was shown at the Dane County Fair showed the past 4-H year club events and received a Reserve Champion ribbon. Families & possible new members interested in joining 4-H enjoyed the pictures & articles and many kids knew some of their classmates in the pictures.

Members made and sold a wide variety of baked goodies as a fundraiser to support club events member attend during the year which included the Dane County fair entries, tubing at Tyrol Basin in the winter, and 4-H county events. The weather was sunny and a little warm but there was no rain for a well attended event by people local and out of state.

Pictured above, Springdale 4H member Liam Crolla left and club leader Florence Connors tend the bake sale at the fall festival.



Optimists help fund pickleball courts

On Wednesday, Oct. 18 the Optimist Club of Mount Horeb presented the MOHO Pickleball Club a \$1,000 contribution for the new courts. Pictured from left to right: Todd Gundlach, Linda Fariss and Curt Garrity, Optimist Club President.

ELECTIONS

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ence professor Ken Mayers. Federal Homeland Security has also evaluated the situation and also found changes are needed.

The Dane County Board of Supervisors established an Election Security Review Committee in March of 2021, which issued its report in July of 2022. The committee focused on “the infrastructure of election administration, the safety of election officials and the

physical security of election offices in Dane County.”

The report’s primary finding was that “the current physical infrastructure of election administration in Dane County and municipalities in Dane County are inadequate for a function identified as ‘critical infrastructure.’” The report added: “Resolving this will require attention and resources.”

The report recommended Madison and Dane County clerks’ election administration be relocated into a

dedicated facility with such updated functions as fire and water detection and prevention.

“The information we have been gathering from expert sources underscores how housing election equipment, ballots and key infrastructure in an open facility like the City County Building, or spread in local offices

throughout the county, also poses a risk,” McDonell said.

The new climate-controlled facility will have covered loading docks and secured storage that will protect the election equipment, as well as provide a secure delivery space for election workers delivering results.

In addition to secure storage and loading, the new center will be used for testing the equipment.

The Ale Asylum building offers a number of cost-

saving and time-saving advantages. It resides on county-owned land. The location near the airport provides easy access to police and fire fighting services. And the building was built in 2011, so its construction and roof are solid, which will expedite the upgrade to a climate-controlled, secure space.

County board chairman Patrick Miles also issued a statement about the project.

“I am united with clerk McDonell in providing protection of equipment and

the integrity of ballots for city, village and town clerks throughout Dane County,” Miles said.

“Re-purposing this facility addresses security needs at a critical time,” he added. Miles introduced the resolution to authorize the purchase of the facility on Oct. 19.

McDonell said the purchase is on track to be completed in early 2024 and Dane County has included \$19 million in its 2024 budget for the project, a budget for purchase and renovation recommended by Wold. While the renovations will be a multi-year project, some of its uses – such as secure storage – could begin in time for 2024 spring elections, he added.

In 2017, the federal Department of Homeland Security designated the institutions and processes for holding elections as “critical infrastructure.”



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Reserve Champion: Clara Jurewicz of Mount Horeb,
3rd Place: Addy Anderson of Janesville (not pictured)



JR Wranglers (ages 9-11)
Champion: Hadley Geiger of Mount Horeb,
Reserve Champion: Zoeey Weyh of Baraboo
3rd Place: (Tie) Charlie Sutter & Lola Jurewicz both of Mount Horeb



Lil Wranglers (ages 8 & under)
Champion: Jaisley Rae Adams of Delavan,
Reserve Champion: Callie Cordray of Wonewoc
3rd place: Knox Hampton (not pictured)



Leadline (any age must be led)
Champion: Kyee Vossekuil of Spring Green,
Reserve Champion: Dane Webb,
3rd Place: Dallas Webb both of Chippewa Falls



All Around Cowgirl winner Hadley Geiger (left); All Around Cowboy winner Kyee Vossekuil (right).
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___ What locally owned business sells auto parts and firearms?

___ Who is open 7 days a week and sells Halloween candy?

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___ What store in Mount Horeb is family owned?

___ Who has a larger ad with details of their event in this paper?

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by ROB REISCHEL
Sports Editor

The conversation started at their first practice of the year.

Mount Horeb girls cross country coach Dave Chancellor saw the talent and potential in his Vikings. And Chancellor set the bar high from the get-go.

"We've been talking about state with this group since back in August," Chancellor said.

All that talk became more than hot air last Saturday.

Mount Horeb tied for first place at the WIAA Division 2 Monroe Sectional and earned its first trip to state since 2019. The Vikings

and New Glarus/Monticello both finished with 83 points, while host Monroe was third with 91 points.

The top two teams qualified for the state meet, which will be held Saturday at Ridges Golf Course in Wisconsin Rapids.

Mount Horeb senior standout Abigail Sadler also continued her brilliant season by finishing first overall, nearly a minute faster than her closest competitor.

"Saturday was a really special day for our team," Chancellor said. "I told the team earlier in the week that I expected the difference between first and third team places to be less than

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Mount Horeb's girls cross country team qualified for the WIAA Division 2 state meet for the first time since 2019. Photo submitted

MOUNT HOREB-BARNEVELD 41, SEYMOUR 20

MH-B is off and running

Vikings drill Seymour in playoff opener

by ADAM MERTZ
Sports Reporter

The play was just a footnote in an emphatic victory.

At the same time, though, it was symbolic of the Mount Horeb-Barneveld football team's casual confidence and exquisite execution in a 41-20 thumping of visiting Seymour in a WIAA Division 3 first-round game last Friday.

In the closing seconds of the first quarter, the Vikings had seemingly pulled off an improvisational two-point conversion on the heels of their second straight scoring strike. Running back Trenton Owens pitched to Kasey Helgeson as he was being tackled, and the quarterback stutter-stepped and then stiff-armed his way into the end zone.

But officials ruled that Helgeson had grabbed the overrun defender's facemask, a penalty that negated

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Mount Horeb-Barneveld's defense celebrates after notching a safety against Seymour during the Vikings' first round playoff win last Friday. Photo courtesy of Ryann Utt

Vikings host Baraboo in Level 2 game

by ROB REISCHEL
Sports Editor

Their Level 1 playoff game had been over for just a few minutes.

Mount Horeb-Barneveld's football team was still uncertain who was coming to town next.

Truthfully, though, senior wideout Landon Ellestad didn't care.

"Bring whoever," Ellestad said. "Bring the best team in the state. Bring the Packers."

That's how these top-seeded Vikings feel after improving to 10-0 on the year last Friday with a 41-20 thumping of eighth-seeded Seymour in their WIAA Division 3 playoff opener.

Next up is fifth-seeded Baraboo, which edged fourth-seeded Tomah, 27-26, in its first round playoff game last Friday. MH-B and

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MoHo spikers fall in regional finals

Vikings enjoy another strong year

by **ROB REISCHEL**
Sports Editor

There was far more good than bad.

The highlights easily trumped the lowlights.

So after Mount Horeb’s girls volleyball team saw its terrific season end against Madison Edgewood in a WIAA Division 2 regional final last Saturday, Vikings coach Kurt Owen wanted to focus on the positives from a terrific fall season.

“I thought it was a really good season,” Owen said. “The girls have a lot to be proud of. One of the most talented teams I’ve had here. We were just really solid all-around. We could do it all.”

They sure could. Mount Horeb began the year 7-0, its best start since 2015. The Vikings won the Monroe Invite for the third year in a row.

Mount Horeb’s second place finish at the Middleton Invite tied for its best since 2017. The Vikings went 23-12 overall.

And Mount Horeb’s fourth place in the loaded Badger Small Conference was nothing to sneeze at considering league foes Sauk Prairie, McFarland and Edgewood all advanced to sectional play this weekend. Those three teams also handed the Vikings eight of their 12 losses in 2023.

“This conference is so tough now with McFarland and Stoughton joining this season,” Owen said. “It was a good season with a lot of exciting play.”

The Vikings continued their stellar play simply to reach the regional finals.

Mount Horeb opened the postseason with a 25-5, 25-14, 25-15 win over Clinton in a regional quarterfinal on Oct. 17.

Andie Moore had seven kills, while Gina Rhiner added five kills. Ellie Hefty and Laila Rasmussen both had 11 assists and four aces, while Kennedy Myers added 12 digs and three aces.

Mount Horeb finished the match with 20 aces and served at a 93% clip

“This match went the way we expected it to go,” Owen said. “The girls came out ready to go. It was a full roster win.”

The Vikings then toppled Evansville, 25-19, 25-21, 25-15, in a regional semi-final on Oct. 19. The 11th seeded Blue Devils upset the sixth-seeded Crimson Tide in the first round and proved to be an extremely challenging foe.

“This match was a lot of fun,” Owen said. “Evansville was a better team than their seed would indicate. During the season, the whole team had COVID, so they lost some matches they likely would have won due to needing to pull up their JV team to play in their varsity matches.

“It’s hard to say how many seeds higher they should have been, but beating the No. 6 seed shows they could do some things. Overall, they were a solid team.”

The Vikings had to perform at a high level — and they did just that.

Jayse Holman had 10 kills, while Ruby Dahlk and Andie Moore both added eight. Moore also hit at a remarkable .800 clip, with eight kills on just 10 attempts.

“They just had no answer to her fast attack,” Owen said of Andie Moore. “It’s crazy we didn’t get her the ball more with how effective she was and how strong our passing was.”

Rasmussen had seven kills, and both Addison Anderson and Finley Moore had five kills.

Rasmussen added 19 assists, six digs and three aces, while Hefty had 13 assists and seven digs. Myers added 13 digs and Anderson had 11 digs.

“We had to play well to win and we did,” Owen said. “We executed in all phases of the game and had some big contributions from a lot of different players. The gym had a ton of energy and it was just a really fun experience for the team and fans.



Laila Rasmussen and Mount Horeb’s girls volleyball team reached the regional finals before losing to Madison Edgewood. Photo courtesy of Mary Langenfeld

“We executed the whole match and really locked in down the stretch to get the sweep. We could have very easily let them steal a set, but good focus got it done.”

The Vikings then went to Edgewood last Saturday for a regional final against a Crusaders team that defeated them all four times they met during the regular season. Unfortunately for Mount Horeb, the fifth time was not the charm.

The third-seeded Vikings captured the first set, but second-seeded Edgewood rallied back for an 18-25, 25-16, 25-19, 25-19 win.

“We know them well and know what they do well, which is a lot,” Owen said. “In the first set, we came out with so much intensity and focus. Everything we’ve been working on all season came together in this set.”

Mount Horeb had 12 kills and just two errors in the first set while putting an early scare in the Crusaders.

“We served very well,

blocked well, and our attacks were sensational,” Owen said. “We were attacking with fast tempo and making some smart shots to hit the open spots on the floor. The things that looked difficult for us all season, looked so easy to the girls in this set. I’m really proud of the way they executed in the first set.”

The Vikings continued to play at a high level the rest of the match, but weren’t quite as efficient.

Edgewood’s serves improved, which limited what the Vikings could do with their attack.

In the second set, Mount Horeb had seven kills and five errors. In the third set, the Vikings had 10 kills and four errors, and in the fourth set, they had 10 kills and eight errors.

Mount Horeb led the fourth set, 18-17, but the Crusaders finished the match on an 8-1 run and ended things.

Holman was terrific with

16 kills in the match, just five errors and a .355 kill percentage.

“She saved her best match of the season for this last one against a really tough defensive team,” Owen said of Holman. “She was so smart with her attacks.”

Kennedy Myers had 25 digs and five assists.

“Kennedy Myers was terrific defensively,” Owen said. “She read the hitters really well and picked up tips, but also stood in front of some really strong swings to make some really impressive digs. She was also excellent in serve-serve and was by far our best passer on the night.”

Anderson, Rasmussen and Finley Moore all added five kills, while Andie Moore and Dahlk both had four kills.

Rasmussen had 21 assists and Hefty added nine assists, while Dahlk had five

aces. Dahlk added 12 digs and Anderson had eight digs.

“The girls have nothing to feel bad about,” Owen said. “They gave it their all and played very well. They played as a team and had each other’s backs. It was a really fun match despite the outcome.”

In all, it was an excellent year for the Vikings — and 2024 could be even better.

While the Vikings lose a gifted senior class, they’ll also return a terrific nucleus and will add players from JV1 and JV2 teams that both won regular season conference tournaments.

“The future looks great for the volleyball program next year and beyond,” Owen said. “All the talent will just need to come together as a team, support each other, and play for each other.”

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Future looks bright for soccer Vikings

Mount Horeb excited for 2024 after falling in regional finals

by **ROB REISCHEL**
Sports Editor

Their season had just ended.

And already, Mount Horeb boys soccer coach Rick Gage couldn’t wait for the 2024 campaign to arrive.

“I feel that our future is very bright,” Gage said.

It’s easy to see why.

The Vikings fell to Edgerton, 3-0, in a WIAA Division 3 regional final last Saturday. Mount Horeb finished the year 7-11, but with most of this year’s team expected back next fall, Gage & Co. are extremely excited about the future.

“We return a lot of contributors to the team next year,” Gage said. “Players return that earned a lot of minutes in goal, defense, midfield and forward. The extra year of experience and growth should pay dividends for the returning players.”

The Vikings started this season 1-4, but improved as the year went along.

Mount Horeb began the postseason with a 1-0 win over Evansville in a regional semifinal on Oct. 19. The Vikings lost to Evansville, 2-1, on Aug. 31, but reversed the outcome this time.

“We knew this game was going to be a close game,” Gage said. “They are a good team, but we felt that we had a good chance of being able to win. Our defense has been playing well and we have been starting to create more offensive chances, so we liked our chances coming in.”

The game was scoreless until the 69th minute, when the Vikings finally broke through.

Mount Horeb gained possession about 30 yards away

from the goal and got the ball to Eli Leonard at the top of the 18 on the left side. Leonard then sent a terrific through ball to Marc Pipp on the left side of the goal, and Pipp beat the goalie near post to give Mount Horeb a 1-0 lead.

From there, keeper Aaron Schmidt came up large and the Vikings advanced.

“For the last 10 minutes we had to stand tall with good defensive efforts and key plays by Aaron Schmidt in goal,” Gage said. “Luckily we were able to keep them out of the goal to win the game. It was a great team win that really showed how we had improved from the beginning of the season.”

Mount Horeb ran into a buzzsaw against Edgerton, though. The Crimson Tide are ranked No. 3 in the state and showed why throughout.

“We knew that this game was going to be a very tough game,” Gage said. “We had lost to them in the first week of the season and knew the challenges that they present. We decided to change to 4-5-1 (formation) in hopes of keeping them scoreless for as long as we could. We knew that we could not get into a high scoring game with them.”

Unfortunately for the Vikings, Edgerton scored in the 13th minute and grabbed a quick 1-0 lead. The Crimson Tide made it 2-0 in the 20th minute, then scored a second half goal, as well.

Despite the loss, Gage was thrilled with how far his team came in 2023.

“I thought that our team showed great strides this year,” he said. “We had a young team that had five sophomores and three juniors see a lot of playing



Preston Reed and Mount Horeb’s boys soccer team reached the regional finals, where they fell to Edgerton. Photo courtesy of Mary Langenfeld

time. We played a very tough schedule with seven of our games being against ranked teams.

“Given our youth and difficult schedule I was very happy with the competitiveness of the team and their attitude throughout the season. We embraced the defensive

mentality and made it very hard for teams to score. We showed growth in offense, defense and goal.

“Every player that came out improved tremendously throughout the season. They were a very hard working team that made it very enjoyable to coach. The senior

class will be missed as they always came with a positive attitude ready to work every day. They showed great leadership starting with this summer until our last game. I am very appreciative of everything our seniors gave to the team this season.”

But with the gifted returnees — and a solid JV team

that should be ready to contribute — the Vikings could be poised for a big 2024 season.

“I feel that if our returners work on their game in the off season we have the potential of having a very good season next year,” Gage said.

Swimmers fall to Monroe

by **ROB REISCHEL**
Sports Editor

Mount Horeb’s girls swimming team fell to Monroe, 113-56, on Oct. 17.

The Vikings’ 400-meter freestyle relay team of Caitlin Patrick-Stern, Siobhan Mertz, Ava Newman and Emmy Bennin was second.

Mount Horeb’s 200-meter freestyle relay team of Patrick-Stern, Mertz, Newman and Bennin was third. And the Vikings’ 200-meter medley relay

team of Bridget Drapp, Piper McMahan, Sam Hanson and Madeline Evans was third.

Bennin won the 50-meter freestyle and was second in the 100-meter freestyle, while Mertz won the 100-meter breaststroke.

Newman was second in the 200-meter freestyle and Patrick-Stern was third. Newman was also second in the 400-meter freestyle.

Perri McMahan was third in the 200-meter IM and the 100-meter backstroke, while Evans was third in the 100-meter butterfly.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY FOR THE TOWN OF BLUE MOUNDS Monday, November 6, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Blue Mounds, Dane County, Wisconsin will hold a public hearing on the town’s proposed 2024 budget on Monday, November 6, 2023, at 6:00p.m., at the Blue Mounds Town Hall, 10566 Blue Vista Rd, Blue Mounds, WI. Immediately following the public hearing, a Special Town Elector Meeting will be held pursuant to approve the 2023 total town tax levy to be collected in 2024. The proposed budget in detail is available for inspection on the town’s website at www.townofbluemounds.com and at the clerk’s office by appointment. The following is a summary of the proposed budget.

	2022p BUDGET	2023c BUDGET	2024f BUDGET	% CHANGE
REVENUES				
LAND USE/ZONING PERMITS (GEC)	14,000.00	14,000.00	25,000.00	79%
BLDG PERMITS/INSPECTION (FTI)	14,500.00	20,000.00	35,000.00	75%
RENT	2,900.00	2,900.00	3,100.00	7%
GENERAL TRANSPORTATION AID	100,000.00	103,618.00	103,618.60	0%
TRASH PU	70,000.00	68,400.00	68,400.00	0%
LEVY	398,000.00	397,145.00	398,460.00	3.31%
RECYCLE GRANT	4,150.00	4,100.00	4,100.00	0%
TRIP/LRIP/SAFETY GRANTS/BRIDGE AID	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	0%
ARPA FUND PAYMENT	47,885.86	47,885.86	0.00	-100%
ATC PAYMENT (ONE TIME)	0.00	423,794.76	0.00	-100%
ATC PAYMENT (ANNUAL)	0.00	60,000.00	50,925.70	-15%
ACT 12 PROJECTED PAYOUT			45,123.00	
GENERAL FUND APPLIED	8,775.14	-339,681.62	87,016.70	
TOTAL REVENUES	666,211.00	808,162.00	826,744.00	
EXPENDITURES				
PUBLIC WORKS	318,000.00	385,850.00	397,850.00	103%
NEW EQUIPMENT	2,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	100%
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	99,300.00	134,100.00	155,600.00	116%
CONSERVATION	12,900.00	23,900.00	23,900.00	100%
DEBT RETIREMENT	86,211.00	96,811.00	34,211.00	35%
PUBLIC SAFETY	134,200.00	142,591.00	185,973.00	130%
HEALTH/HUMAN SER	13,600.00	16,910.00	21,210.00	125%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	666,211.00	808,162.00	826,744.00	
REVENUES LESS EXPENDITURES	0.00	0.00	0.00	
RESERVE ACCOUNTS				
BROADBAND INTERNET EXPANSION(GRANT)	0.00	50,000.00	10,000.00	20%
NEW PLOW TRUCK ACQUISITION	0.00	135,956.00	135,956.00	100%
NEW PLOW ATTACHMENTS	0.00	110,000.00	110,000.00	100%
SUPPLEMENTAL VEHICLE RESERVE	0.00	135,000.00	135,000.00	100%
TOTAL RESERVE	0.00	430,956.00	390,956.00	91%
TOTALS	666,211.00	1,239,118.00	1,217,700.00	98%



At left, James Zwettler was the top finisher for Mount Horeb’s boys cross country team at sectionals. Above, Maevae True had a tremendous sectional race and helped propel the Vikings to state. Photos submitted

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15 points. I was mainly worried about New Glarus-Monticello and Deerfield-Cambridge going into the meet, but as we watched the race play out, we could see that Monroe, McFarland, and Lakeside Lutheran were all in good position too.

“New Glarus-Monticello is a good team and, while they don’t have our top runners, they usually have five to six very solid finishers who can create some scoring challenges for us. Deerfield-Cambridge’s Emerson Drobac is among the best 10-15 runners in Division 2 and their second runner is strong too. So I was also concerned about that matchup.”

There was certainly reason for concern as the race was tight throughout. But the Vikings had big performances up and down the lineup.

It began with Sadler, who has finished first at every race she competed at this season.

Sadler completed the 5,000-meter course in 18 minutes, 12.4 seconds. Emerson Drobac of Deerfield/Cambridge was second individually in 19:09.3.

Now, Sadler will be among the favorites to win an individual state title Saturday.

“Abby obviously goes into this (state) meet with the individual title in her sights,” Chancellor said. “And I have complete faith in her ability to make the decisions this week and during the race that will put her in a position to achieve that.”

The Vikings also got sensational showings from their trio of terrific freshman — Willa Vigliotta, Julia Straka and Maevae True.

Vigliotta finished third in 20:04.7, which is just what Chancellor was hoping for.

“We expected Abby to

win and were aiming at third for Willa,” Chancellor said.

Straka was eighth in 20:55.2, but more importantly did just what Chancellor wanted.

“Going into it, I thought that Julia could be somewhere between fifth and 10th,” Chancellor said. “But her main job was to be ahead of New Glarus-Monticello’s top runner and Deerfield-Cambridge’s second runner.”

True didn’t join the cross country team this fall until she found out she didn’t make the volleyball team. True’s arrival was a blessing for Chancellor’s squad, though, because without her, the Vikings wouldn’t be going to state.

True was 28th overall in 22:14.2 and picked up the slack as some other Vikings had tough races.

“Maevae ran a brilliant race,” Chancellor said. “Monroe’s course is difficult and it was windy, but she managed to run a personal best time and was the only Mount Horeb runner to do so.

“Maevae’s placing was critical because it put her ahead of Monroe’s fifth runner and New Glarus-Monticello’s sixth. Maevae has become such a big part of this team’s success over the last few weeks. She wanted this team to go to state and, to be blunt, we wouldn’t have made it without her performance.”

Mount Horeb also counted Lily Nelson’s 43rd place finish (23:16.9).

“I was proud of how all of them ran,” Chancellor said. “It wasn’t a perfect race for us, but they did what they needed to do.”

Mount Horeb’s boys finished 12th out of 15 teams.

Lakeside Lutheran (44 points) and McFarland (74) were the top two teams and earned trips to state. Mount Horeb finished with 292 points.

James Zwettler was the

Vikings’ top finisher, placing 53rd in 19:41.6. Samuel Wyse was 57th (19:53.2), Jackson Loger was 58th (19:59.2), James Fountas was 60th (20:00.0) and Jack Zwettler was 64th (20:16.6).

“Our boys had a tough day, but we had a couple bright spots,” Chancellor said. “James Zwettler and Sam Wyse have been working together for the last several meets and I was really pleased with how they stuck together and ultimately went 1-2 for us. A lot of our other guys struggled in this one, though.

“Our boys worked hard this season, but we had a lot of our best racing back in September with this group. That’s on me as a coach. These things are always complicated, but I think that part of the story is that my practice routines and schedules are quite a bit different than what the team has done in prior years and there are parts of that adjustment that I might not have communicated well enough.

“I’m optimistic looking forward to next year though. The group is hungry to improve and I’m hopeful that they can use this spring’s track season to make some jumps.”

While the boys’ season is over, the girls have their biggest race of the year coming Saturday.

And Chancellor believes big things are possible.

“I think it’s a meet we can be competitive at,” he said. “The kinds of goals we’re talking about this week won’t change a lot from what we’ve talked about all season — making sure we’re getting enough sleep, eating well, staying focused in our workouts, and taking care of the little things that will make a difference. Our girls ... know how to compete and I think they’ll be focused and ready on Saturday.”

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

AGENCY: USDA-Rural Development/Rural Utilities Service
Notice of Availability of a Final Supplemental Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for Cardinal-Hickory Creek 345-kV Transmission Line Project Route Modifications

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) has made a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) with respect to a supplemental environmental analysis for the Cardinal-Hickory Creek 345-kilovolt (kV) Transmission Line Project (C-HC Project). RUS is issuing a Final Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the C-HC Project.

A copy of the Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) may be viewed on the RUS project website: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/resources/environmental-studies/impact-statement/cardinal-hickory-creek-transmission-line-project-iowa-wisconsin>. This page is accessible by visiting the USDA Rural Development homepage, clicking on the “Resources” dropdown banner along the top of the page, clicking “Environmental Studies,” then “Impact Statements.” On the Impact Statements page, the C-HC Project webpage link is provided under “Dairyland Power Cooperative.”

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In September 2023, RUS published the Draft Supplemental EA (SEA) in connection with possible impacts related to nine proposed route modifications for the Cardinal- Hickory Creek 345-kV Transmission Line Project, including one proposed land exchange action involving U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)-managed land within the Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge. The Draft SEA described the project, assesses the project’s environmental impacts, and summarizes mitigation measures used to minimize the environmental effects. The SEA tiers to the Final Environmental Impact Statement that was published for the approved C-HC Project in October 2019. On January 16, 2020, the RUS, USFWS, and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) approved various components of the C-HC Project and the Record of Decision (ROD) was signed by the three agencies.

RUS released the SEA to obtain feedback from the public, as part of the federal environmental review process required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and 7 CFR 1970 related to providing financial assistance to Dairyland Power Cooperative (DPC) for its share in the construction of a proposed 345-kV transmission line and associated infrastructure connecting the Hickory Creek Substation in Dubuque County, Iowa, with the Cardinal Substation in the Town of Middleton, Wisconsin (near Madison, Wisconsin).

The availability of the Draft SEA for public review was announced in local newspapers on September 8, 2023. A 14-day comment period was provided for review of the SEA. Copies of the Final SEA and FONSI are available from RUS or Dairyland Power Cooperative, 3521 East Avenue, South, La Crosse, WI 54602 and in the six libraries where hard copies of all previous documents for public comment for the C-HC Project have been available.

- Dodgeville Public Library, 139 S. Iowa St, Dodgeville, WI
- Dubuque County Library, Asbury Branch, 5290 Grand Meadow Drive, Asbury, IA
- Eckstein Memorial Library, 1034 E. Dewey St, Cassville, WI
- Guttenberg Public Library, 603 S 2nd St, Guttenberg, IA
- Middleton Public Library, 7425 Hubbard Ave, Middleton, WI
- Schreiner Memorial Library, 113 W. Elm St, Lancaster, WI

Based on its SEA, RUS has concluded that the nine proposed route modifications for the C-HC Project would not result in significant changed circumstances or new significant impacts to geology and soils; vegetation, including wetlands; wildlife; historic properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places; federally listed threatened and endangered species, candidate species, or federally designated critical habitat; water resources and quality; 100-year floodplains; air quality and climate change; noise; land use; transportation; visual resources; or human health and safety. The proposed project would not disproportionately affect minority or low-income populations.

In accordance with the NEPA, as amended (42 U.S. Code 4321 et seq.), the CEQ regulations (40 CFR 1500–1508), and RUS’s Environmental Policies and Procedures (7 CFR Part 1970), RUS has determined that the environmental effects of the route modifications have been adequately analyzed for any potential future action that it considers and that no significant impacts to the quality of the human environment would result from construction and operation of the route modifications. Any final action by RUS related to the route modifications will be subject to, and contingent upon, compliance with all relevant federal and state environmental laws and regulations. Because RUS’s potential action relating to this new information and changed circumstance is not expected to result in significant impacts to the quality of the human environment, an environmental impact statement will not be prepared for the route modifications.

Dated: October 6, 2023.

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the conversion and moved MH-B back 15 yards to boost the degree of difficulty for Take 2 exponentially.

No matter. Helgeson calmly dropped back and saw that one of his favorite targets, LJ Ellestad, was draped in tight coverage on a post route, but flung it his way as a wager he'd make the play. His fellow senior delivered, reaching out to snare a pass the safety had gotten a piece of, and carried the ball high to ensure possession as he took a couple ballet steps into the end zone.

"I knew I had to catch it," Ellestad explained.

It seemed like all of MH-B's marquee players felt that same obligation to produce.

Helgeson ran for one score and threw for 223 yards and four touchdowns — two to junior Owen Preimesberger, and one apiece to Ellestad and junior Owen Aeschlimann. Senior safety Brooks Pernot contributed his first interception and punt block of the season.

Senior running back Trenton Owens ran like a man on a mission and was key to MH-B going 5-for-5 on two-point conversions. And Indiana recruit Austin Leibfried, Ryan Skogen, Logan Schwoerer and Drew Preimesberger led a physical defensive performance up front that stymied the Thunder's (4-6) twist on the old-school, single-wing attack.

The three-time reigning Badger Small Conference champion Vikings (10-0) looked every bit the part of a No. 1 regional seed intent on making the deep playoff run that has eluded them the past two seasons. They'll take the next step Friday at 7 p.m. when they host a Level 2 game against former conference rival Baraboo (5-5), which survived a late 2-point attempt by Tomah to secure a 27-26 opening-round win.

"These kids fully expect, every time they get on the field, that they're going to win," MH-B coach Bret St. Arnauld said. "And they play that way and act that way. And that makes a difference."

The night started inauspiciously for the Vikings, whose failed fourth-down attempt just shy of midfield on their first drive paved the way for Seymour to open the scoring. The Thunder line up two halfbacks in wildcat formation with an option to snap to either, with the other back serving as a lead blocker — often funneling behind a pair of H-backs who line up in different spots in the middle of the line, effectively forming an eight-man wedge.

It's a page out of Red

Grange and the Four Horsemen, but run properly the century-old formation can cause fits — as it did on this first series Friday, the first time MH-B has faced the offense in St. Arnauld's six seasons at the helm. Seymour powered 47 yards over nine plays, capped by Xavier Salzman's 5-yard score, but botched the pass attempt on the conversion for a 6-0 lead with 6:03 left in the first quarter.

"It's weird having those two guys in the backfield, where you don't know who's going to get the ball to start," said senior two-way lineman Austin Leibfried, a University of Indiana recruit who returned from a one-game hiatus due to illness. "It's a good challenge to face, and we had a little adversity at the start but we came out on top."

Said St. Arnauld: "Even though we practiced against it all week, the first time you see it you have to get used to the speed of it, the physicality of it. And that's what it took for us to match that. You need to get hats on the football and play to the whistle. And once you do that, you'll be fine."

A sure sign the Vikings were fine? They rattled off the next 41 points over a stretch of 21 minutes of game time, setting off a running clock and allowing the JV players who'd dressed an opportunity to close out the game.

The onslaught started with a pair of four-play touchdown drives sandwiched around the first big special teams play of the night.

Helgeson got things rolling with a pair of connections to junior receiver Chris Kiel — a 13-yard out followed by a 46-yard strike down the right sideline. Helgeson closed out the drive with a 12-yard keeper and Owens ran in the conversion for an 8-6 lead.

Ellestad kept things rolling by making a big defensive play on the next series. With Seymour facing third-and-8 at its own 25, he sniffed out a reverse, following Seymour's Cayden Staffeldt from the edge and causing a fumble on the exchange that backed up the Thunder to their own 14. A low snap on the punt attempt skidded through the back of the end zone for a safety.

"When you're going against a team like this that doesn't pass the football, you've got to expect some kind of trickery, because they're going to have to get the ball downfield," said St. Arnauld, whose team had scouted that exact formation. "LJ identified it and made the play."

After MH-B fielded the ensuing free kick, Owens showed his grit by grinding three straight carries to set up first-and-goal at the

9. The most impressive was last, when he spun through two tackle attempts and then carried a handful of Thunder defenders on his back for the final steps of a 21-yard gain.

Preimesberger showed his moxie by closing out the drive with a 9-yard touchdown run on an end around, and Ellestad's brilliant grab on the conversion made it 18-6 with 13 seconds left in the opening quarter.

When it was suggested that he was running with a bit of extra purpose, Owens smiled. "There was a little bit of social media beef — more (Seymour) talking and us just listening, to the effect that we weren't that good and they were going to upset us," he said. "I think everyone was motivated to put it down and end it early."

MH-B went to a five-receiver formation on its next possession, challenging the Thunder to defend its cadre of speedy skill players in space. On the second play of the drive, Helgeson dropped back and launched a high-arching throw that Aeschlimann caught in stride for a 61-yard strike.

"We have the best offensive chemistry in the state," Ellestad said. "I don't think anyone can guard our receivers."

The Vikings forced their third straight three-and-out, and then Pernot stormed in for his blocked punt that set up an 11-yard scoring grab by Ellestad for a 34-6 advantage with 2:29 remaining in the half.

"Coach St. Arnauld is a great special teams coach. He helps us get into the right spots to get a blocked punt, and I executed on that," Pernot said. "I took that one right in the torso — coughed a little bit, but it felt great."

Taking a cue from the Mount Horeb Marching Band's scintillating halftime performance that included Metallica's Enter Sandman, the Vikings sent the Thunder off to the never-never land of running clock for much of the third quarter.

On Seymour's opening drive, Pernot anticipated a sideline throw on third-and-7 and grabbed his long-awaited first interception, giving MH-B possession at the Thunder 49.

"I think he's a defensive player of the year candidate in the Badger Small Conference, I really do," St. Arnauld said. "He's just an animal. He's not afraid to step up into the run game, but he's also great at dropping into coverage. He's a phenomenal football player, and we're lucky to have him on our football team."

Four plays later, Preimesberger hauled in a swing pass and took it 19 yards for a score, with Zach Maguire adding the extra point for a 41-6 lead that easily withstood a couple late touch-



Mount Horeb-Barneveld's Chris Kiel leaps for a catch during the Vikings' win over Seymour last Friday. Photo courtesy of Anita Schmid

downs by Seymour.

"We've got great weapons — Chris Kiel, Landon Ellestad, O.P. It's tough to guard them," Pernot said. "Iron sharpens iron. We give it back and forth in practice, and it gets us better."

Seymour 6 0 0 14 — 20
MH-B ... 18 16 7 0 — 41

First quarter
Seymour — Xavier Salzman 5 run (pass failed), 6:03
MH-B — Kasey Helgeson 12 run (Trenton Owens run), 4:29
MH-B — safety

MHB — Owen Preimesberger 9 pass from Helgeson (Ellestad pass from Helgeson), 0:13

Second quarter
MHB — Owen Aeschlimann 61 pass from Helgeson (Owens run), 10:16
MHB — Ellestad 11 pass from Helgeson (Owens pass), 2:29

Third quarter
MHB — Owen Preimesberger pass from Helgeson (Zach Maguire kick), 7:11

Fourth quarter
Seymour — Salzman 3 run (run failed), 11:06

Seymour — Riley Young 41 pass from Cayden Staffeldt (Keanu Chinana pass from Staffeldt), 0:09

Team statistics
Total offense: S 49, MHB 309. First downs: S 10, MHB 13. Penalties: S 2-15, MHB 5-55.

MHB individual leaders
Passing (comp-att-yds-td-int): Helgeson 11-17-223-4-0. Rushing (att-yds-td): Owens 10-62-0. Receiving (rec-yds-td): Aeschlimann 2-75-1, Kiel 3-71-0.

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BARABOO

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the Vikings will meet in a Level 2 showdown Friday at 7 p.m.

The Thunderbirds and Vikings were longtime rivals in the Badger Valley Conference, but Baraboo was moved to the Mississippi Valley Conference in 2022. This season, the Thunderbirds went 4-3 in the MVC and are 6-4 overall.

Baraboo quarterback Luke Vittengl has thrown just 62 passes all season, but leads the Thunderbirds’ high-powered ground game with 1,164 rushing yards. Tailback Jackson Puttkamer has also rushed for 721 yards for a Baraboo team averaging 261.5 rushing yards per game.

“Offensively it’s a lot of quarterback run. If we rally

to the football, we’ll be fine,” MH-B coach Bret St. Arnould. “I’m really excited about it. I’m excited about the opportunity.

“Baraboo is a good team, and so are we. That’ll be a great Level 2 game for us, to see where we’re at — and hopefully head to Level 3.”

The Vikings, who have never reached the state championship game, are gunning for their first trip to Level 3 since 2018 and the seventh trip to the third round of the playoffs in school history.

To date, everything has gone about as well as St. Arnould and his team could have dreamed.

MH-B has outscored its foes, 419-187. Nine of the Vikings’ 10 wins have come by double digits.

MH-B has scored 40 points, or more, in eight of

its 10 games. And the Vikings are certainly battle tested, as four teams they toppled earlier this season are still alive in the postseason.

“We have a goal to get all the way to the end, to the state championship game,” said senior offensive tackle Austin Leibfried, an Indiana recruit. “We’ve just got to take one game at a time and not get ahead of ourselves. We can’t think about the last opponent or the next opponent — it’s 1-0 every week, and take it to the end there.”

Senior running back Trenton Owens agreed.

“Every week we just want it a bit more,” Owens said. “It hasn’t really sunk in yet that any given Friday could be the last Friday I put pads on. We’re all hungry just to earn that next week every Friday, and I think that’s

going to drive us all the way.”

Also driving the Vikings has been an offense no one has slowed down.

Quarterback Kasey Helgeson — who has thrown for 2,229 yards, 26 touchdowns and just three interceptions — will be in the running for all-state honors. Junior Chris Kiel leads a dynamic group of wideouts with 875 receiving yards and 11 touchdowns, while Ellestad (640 receiving yards, eight TDs) and Owen Preimseberger (408 yards, three TDs) have also had sensational seasons.

“It’s going to come down to us winning our 1-on-1s at the receiver spot,” St. Arnould said. “I expect man-to-man coverage. They bring pressure, and they’re really chaotic up front.”

MH-B’s rushing attack

has been every bit as dangerous as its passing game, as the Vikings average 197.5 yards per game on the ground. Owens — who averages 124.9 yards per game, 6.4 yards per carry and has 20 rushing touchdowns — is one of the state’s elite backs. Helgeson is also a dangerous runner, piling up 623 rushing yards and seven rushing TDs this year.

Making the Vikings’ potent attack even scarier is the offensive line has gotten better and better throughout the year.

“Our offensive line has changed some throughout the season, but our offensive line is starting to click and we’re starting to mash,” Leibfried said. “It’s hitting on all cylinders.”

The Vikings hope to keep hitting on all cylinders Friday — and continue their

dream season for at least another week.

“We’re not scared of anyone. Respect all, fear none — that’s our mentality,” said senior defensive back Brooks Pernot, the Vikings’ leading tackler with 72. “It feels good, but we’re on to next week. It’s five steps to state.

“We’ve won three conference championships in a row, but we’re not going to settle for that any more — we want more. It’s a different mentality.”

St. Arnould feels the same.

“Any team we play, at the end of the day, you’ve got to play four good quarters to beat us,” he said. “This senior class has taken the program culture to the next level. They fully believe they can do it. They know how to win and they think they can win.”

VILLAGE OF MOUNT HOREB PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FOR 2023 PROPOSED BUDGET NOVEMBER 15, 2023

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing on the proposed 2024 budget for the Village of Mount Horeb will be held in-person, on Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at 6:00 pm in the Board Room of the Municipal Building, 138 E Main Street, Mount Horeb, WI. The proposed 2024 budget is available at www.mounthorebwi.info.

VILLAGE OF MOUNT HOREB 2024 FUND SUMMARY

	GENERAL FUND	DEBT SERVICE FUND	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	LIBRARY FUND	OUTREACH NUTRITION FUND	SWIMMING POOL FUND	EMPLOYEE RETIRE INS FUND	TIF DISTRICT FUNDS	OTHER SPECIAL REV FUNDS	TOTAL VILLAGE FUNDS	ENTERPRISE (UTILITY) FUNDS	TOTAL ALL FUNDS
TOTAL REVENUES	8,735,043	2,901,322	1,052,112	784,625	256,636	100,700	43,000	1,660,396	614,528	16,148,362	11,987,028	28,135,390
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	9,027,114	2,845,284	1,459,112	808,501	235,140	144,435	95,985	1,328,210	633,156	16,576,937	11,460,492	28,037,430
EXCESS (DEFICIT)	(292,072)	56,038	(407,000)	(23,876)	21,496	(43,735)	(52,985)	332,186	(18,628)	(428,576)	526,536	97,960
FUND BALANCE JANUARY 1	2,434,582	704,333	400,761	173,953	205,939	(53,601)	290,128	(1,480,650)	678,951	3,354,397	24,074,351	27,428,747
FUND BALANCE DECEMBER 31	2,142,510	760,371	(6,239)	150,077	227,434	(97,336)	237,143	(1,148,464)	660,324	2,925,821	24,600,886	27,526,707
PROPERTY TAX CONTRIBUTION	3,022,224	1,754,428	250,000	512,132	48,953	30,700	40,000	1,578,597	0	7,237,034	0	7,237,034

PROPERTY TAXES ARE SUMMARIZED AS FOLLOWS:

	2023	2024	% CHANGE	OUTSTANDING VILLAGE INDEBTEDNESS (THRU 12/31/2022)
GENERAL FUND	2,992,301	3,022,224	1.00%	VILLAGE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS 12,020,250
DEBT SERVICE FUND	1,655,462	1,754,428	5.98%	VILLAGE GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT 0
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	250,000	250,000	0.00%	
LIBRARY FUND	506,477	512,132	1.12%	TID #3 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS 3,324,750
OUTREACH/NUTRITION FUND	47,343	48,953	3.40%	TID #4 GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT 0
SWIMMING POOL FUND	30,000	30,700	2.33%	TID #5 GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT 3,720,000
EMPLOYEE RETIRE. INS. FUND	40,000	40,000	0.00%	UTILITY REVENUE BONDS 24,369,323
TOTAL GENERAL LEVY	5,521,583	5,658,437	2.48%	UTILITY GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT 0
TID INCREMENT	1,562,418	1,578,597	1.04%	TOTALS 43,434,323
TOTAL PROPERTY TAX CONTRIB.	7,084,001	7,237,034	2.16%	

ASSESSED VALUE	873,404,820	1,099,480,800	25.88%	226,075,980
MIL RATE PER \$1,000 ASSESSED W/OUT TID	6.321906	5.146463	-18.59%	

VILLAGE OF MOUNT HOREB 2024 GENERAL FUND SUMMARY (AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 65.90(3))

	2022 ACTUAL	2023 BUDGET	2024 BUDGET	% CHANGE
REVENUES				
TAXES (UTILITY AND OTHER)	431,542	477,822	488,230	2.18%
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	718,138	816,750	1,088,912	33.32%
LICENSES & PERMITS	169,932	174,017	176,182	1.24%
FINES, FORFEITURES & PENALTIES	35,312	50,000	50,000	0.00%
PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES	810,488	773,474	871,578	12.68%
INTERGOVERNMENTAL CHARGES	53,356	55,000	57,200	4.00%
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	91,496	117,704	336,104	185.55%
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	2,194	9,000	8,400	-6.67%
TOTAL REVENUES	2,312,458	2,473,767	3,076,606	24.37%
EXPENDITURES				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	827,849	858,549	892,380	3.94%
PUBLIC SAFETY	2,694,369	2,885,836	3,110,379	7.78%
PUBLIC SERVICES	1,513,544	1,627,606	1,763,612	8.36%
CULTURE, RECREATION & EDUCATION	343,817	329,544	356,130	8.07%
CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT	43,359	96,400	268,400	178.42%
TRANSFER TO OTHER FUNDS	2,525,604	2,529,282	2,636,213	4.23%
CAPITAL OUTLAY	1	1	0	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	7,948,543	8,327,218	9,027,114	8.40%
NET-REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPEND	(5,636,085)	(5,853,451)	(5,950,509)	
LOCAL PROPERTY TAX	5,416,180	5,521,583	5,658,437	
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	(219,905)	(331,868)	(292,072)	
FUND BALANCE - START OF YEAR	2,554,893	2,334,989	2,003,121	
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	2,334,988	2,003,121	1,711,050	

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TOWN OF PRIMROSE

The Town of Primrose Board of Supervisors meeting for November will be held on Monday, November 6th, 2023 at 8468 County Road A, Verona, WI beginning at 7:30pm. The agenda for this meeting will be limited to the Mount Horeb Area Joint Fire Department budget. This agenda will be posted at the Town Hall, Mount Vernon Auto, Primrose Church, and on the Town website. A summary of the agenda will be available on the voice message system at 608-832-6660.

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TOWN OF PERRY PUBLIC HEARING – 2024 TOWN BUDGET

Special Meeting of the Electors
Perry Town Hall
10084 County Highway A
Teleconference - 425-585-6272 access - 394-722-206 #
Thursday, November 9, 2023
7:30 PM

Notice is hereby given that at 7:30 PM on Thursday, November 9, 2023 at the Perry Town Hall a Public Hearing will be held on the proposed 2024 Budget.

Notice is hereby given that immediately following completion of the Public Hearing on the 2024 budget, which begins at 7:30 PM on Thursday, November 9, 2023 at the Perry Town Hall, a Special Meeting of the Electors is called pursuant to WI §60.12(1)(c) by the Town Board for the following purpose:

1. To adopt the 2023 Town tax levy*, to be paid in 2024 pursuant to WI §60.10(1)(a) of Wis. Statutes.
2. To review Comprehensive Plan survey results and amendment process.

Summary of the proposed 2024 Budget**

	2024	2023
Cash Balance Jan. 1	\$ 520,709	216,644
Revenues:		
Taxes: General Allowable Levy*	375,000	352,900
Intergovernmental Revenues	139,109	129,120
Licenses and Permits	2,150	2,150
Grants	42,500	0
Loan Proceeds	50,000	0
Miscellaneous	53,205	34,019
Total Revenues	661,964	518,189

Expenditures:		
General Government	605,292	296,732
Public Works	209,100	203,000
Capital Outlay	235,000	15,000
Debt Service	96,533	96,532
Total Expenditures	1,145,925	611,264
Cash Balance Dec. 31:	\$ 36,748	123,569

* General Municipal Allowable Levy as determined by the WI Dept. of Revenue.

** 2024 proposed Budget is available on the Town's website www.perry-wi.gov or from the Clerk.

Mary L. Price, Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWN OF PERRY TIRE COLLECTION DAY

The Town of Perry will hold two tire collection days – Saturday, November 4 and Saturday, November 11, 2023. Tires will be accepted from 8:00 AM until noon at the Town Recycling Center, 10832 CTH A, Daleyville.

Fees will be charged as follows:

Car Tire	\$ 5.00
Small truck or implement tire	\$ 6.00
Large truck tire	\$ 15.00
Small tractor tire	\$ 27.00
Large tractor tire	\$ 32.00

Residents are encouraged to participate in this semi-annual opportunity to dispose of tires properly and to contribute to the Town of Perry's recycling efforts.

Mary L. Price, Clerk

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TOWN OF PERRY, DANE COUNTY INVITATION TO BID FOR TOWN HALL REPAIRS AND RENOVATION

The Town of Perry will accept bids to repair, renovate, and construct an addition to the Town Hall at 10084 County Highway A. The Town Hall is a one-story, wood-framed former school building currently used for town meetings, elections and records storage, approximately 1,000 sq. ft. The proposed addition is approximately 200 sq. ft.

The Town plans to repair and upgrade the Town Hall to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), and WI elections security statutes. Funding is provided by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and other Town resources.

Contractors interested in bidding should contact Town Supervisor Mick Klein Kennedy at 608-843-3297 for more information.

Sealed bids should be mailed or delivered to the Town Deputy Clerk, Stephanie Zwettler, 9730 County Rd A, Mt. Horeb, WI 53572, to be received by 5:00 PM, Monday, November 13, 2023.

Bids will be opened at the Town Board meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 convening at 7:30 PM.

The Town of Perry reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any technicality in any bid, and to accept any bid deemed to be most advantageous to the Town of Perry. Bids should include construction scheduled to begin April 3, 2024 and to be completed by July 31, 2024 or earlier, completion sanctions, and performance references.

Mary L. Price, Clerk

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themselves.”

“When you are a young officer, you tend to look at the numbers a lot because you want to show that you are doing a good job,” she said. “But as you get a little older, you start to understand that there are human beings behind those numbers; both the victims and

the suspects.”

She said understanding the humanity of the people she deals with helps inform the way she does her job. Schaaf said she generally tries to avoid the spotlight and was surprised to learn she would be honored at the State Capitol.

“When Lt. Jarvis first told me, my first reaction was, ‘Why?’” she said. “I simply do my job, and it’s a team effort here. We all work to-

gether, so I was a little surprised, a little shocked, that I got an award.”

Even before being named First Responder of the Year, Schaaf already knew the community appreciates its police officers.

“The level of support we have her in Mount Horeb is unmatched,” she said.

“We decided to nominate two officers from the Mount Horeb Police Department for the First Responder of

the Year award based on their contributions to the Village of Mount Horeb over the last year,” explained Mount Horeb Police lieutenant Joshua Jarvis. “Detective Schaaf was nominated for her exemplary work as a detective. She shows a passion and a dedication to protecting the victims of crimes that is unmatched. She does everything in her power to ensure that the best possible outcome is found,

oftentimes by connecting people with necessary resources rather than taking enforcement action. She is a dedicated employee that is a great asset to the Mount Horeb Police Department and the Village of Mount Horeb.

“We would also like to recognize Officer Brian Hugill for his nomination,” Jarvis continued. “As a new officer he has taken on a lot of extra responsibilities in-

cluding being involved in our social media presence. He is always volunteering for community events and striving to become better each day.”

“He has shown his ability to go above and beyond in his investigations and is always finding outside-the-box ways to conduct investigations. His future with this agency is very bright,” Jarvis continued.

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