



Terese Floren is Spelling Bee champ
‘Chiaroscuro’

The 13th Scandihoovian Adult Spelling Bee was hosted by Buck & Honey’s Landing in Martinson Hall Saturday. With over 20 competitors, this event saw local favorites and past champions vie for the title of Spelling Champion. Interesting words were often given for them to spell, and the accompanying sentences using the words were often a lighthearted comedy. They went for many rounds but eventually Terese Floren was named victor with her correct spelling of “chiaroscuro.” At left, the judges pay close attention. Photo by Ron Lutz II.

**Drunk driving:
Two area incidents**

Dane County Sheriff’s Deputies responded to two crashes involving intoxicated drivers overnight on February 6. One driver was cited and two others were arrested.

At 5:44 pm, a 911 caller reported a vehicle had struck power poles, causing power lines to fall near the intersection of CTH J and Witte Road in the town of Cross Plains. The 68-year-old

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Village board moves forward with repair or raze order for Karakahl

Board looks at inspection findings following fire

By ERIN HERNDON
Mount Horeb Mail

The Village Board met February 7 and approved the Village Strategic Plan, awarded a zoning contract to Vandewalle Associates and moved forward with issuing a repair or raze order for the Karakahl Country Inn.

Village Strategic Plan

After an initial Strategic Planning session with trustees and department heads

in November 2023 and the special joint meeting with the Board of Education and Chamber of Commerce on January 29, the Village Board reviewed the information shared by their own members and partnering organizations. This follows the Village’s last Strategic Planning session, conducted in Fall 2019.

“We got some feedback on it and are looking to use it for our official planning,” Village President Ryan Czyzewski said. “As we go forward on things, department heads, committees, commissions and ourselves can work on this.”

The Village’s Mission, Vision Statement, and Core Values created during the last Strategic Planning Process in 2019 were reviewed by participants and determined to still fit the current plan.

According to the Village’s Strategic Planning Summary, village strengths, weaknesses and priorities - like infrastructure - are key components of the plan.

“Not surprising to me, the top priority list included streets, utilities, transportation — the unsexy things that are important to everyone,” Czyzewski said. “When a need arises, we

must have discussions about what’s best for our community and our organizations.”

The Board moved to unanimously approve the plan.

Discussion and Approval of Repair or Raze Order of the Karakahl Country Inn

The Village discussed next steps regarding the damage caused to the Karakahl Country Inn, 101 Perimeter Road, following an April 2023 fire. The building has remained closed since the fire and hasn’t received the necessary repairs to resume operation.

“We obtained approval

from the ownership to have our inspection team go through and make a list of what would need to be repaired to reopen and put a cost estimate to that,” Owen said. “There’s really two paths forward: one would be for the building to be repaired, and the other for the Village to issue a raze order, due to the extent of the damage and cost of repairing the building.”

An inspection report by GEC cites the estimated repair costs as being greater than 50 percent of the value of the building; an amount qualifying the issuance of a

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Mount Horeb Area School Board report: District okays updated strategic plan

By ERIN HERNDON
Mount Horeb Mail

The Board of Education met February 5 and approved the Breakthrough 2032 Strategic Plan, reflected on their recent attendance at the Wisconsin State Education Convention and discussed upcoming events.

Strategic Plan

School board members went over information from

their special January 29 joint meeting with the Chamber of Commerce and Village Board. This includes reviewing components of the Board’s “Breakthrough 2032” Strategic Plan presented at the joint meeting by Superintendent Steve Salerno and School Board President Jessica Arrigoni.

At the Jan. 29 meeting, President Arrigoni said that

the strategic plan consists of goal-driven priorities based on feedback from community surveys in 2017 and 2023.

“Each of the priorities has a goal statement,” Arrigoni said. “Our learning and growth statement will now be that we will graduate students who are prepared for college and careers.

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2024 will be a busy election year

February 20, 2024 – No local Primary is needed
April 2, 2024 – Spring and Presidential Preference
August 13, 2024 – Partisan Primary
November 5, 2024 – General Election

District Celebrates CTE Month and DECA's Magical Night

Mount Horeb Area School District proudly joins schools across the nation in celebrating Career and Technical Education (CTE) Month throughout February. This annual celebration highlights the importance of CTE in preparing students for successful careers and recognizes the invaluable contributions of CTE staff and the community in supporting these efforts.

CTE programs play a vital role in equipping students with the skills and knowledge necessary to thrive in today's rapidly evolving workforce. Mount Horeb Area School District's commitment to CTE is reflected in its comprehensive range of programs that offer students practical and hands-on learning experiences.

Mount Horeb Area School District expresses its deepest gratitude to the CTE staff and the community for their unwavering support of CTE programs. Together, they are empowering students to explore their passions, develop critical skills, and embark on

successful careers. Mount Horeb Area School District acknowledges the invaluable support and collaboration of the community in advancing CTE initiatives. Local businesses, industry partners, and community organizations play a crucial role in providing students with real-world experiences, mentorship opportunities, and internships. Their active involvement in the CTE programs helps bridge the gap between education and industry, ensuring that students are well-prepared for the demands of the workforce.

As part of the CTE Month celebration, Mount Horeb Area School District will be showcasing the achievements and successes of its CTE programs. This includes Mount Horeb DECA's recent Once Upon a Time event.

Mount Horeb DECA, a local organization dedicated to developing the skills and talents of future business leaders, successfully hosted its highly anticipated, annual

Once Upon a Time event on January 31. The event, held at the stunning Martinson Hall, brought together fairy godparents and attendees for a night filled with enchantment and fun.

The Once Upon a Time event transported attendees into a world of magic and wonder, where they were treated like royalty by their very own fairy godparents. The event featured a wide array of activities and entertainment that left kids, and even some adults, with unforgettable memories.

Children at the event were able to unleash their creativity through various activities such as dancing, makeup sessions, face painting, nail painting, crafting, hair styling, and more. The atmosphere was filled with joy and laughter as attendees embraced their royalty. To satisfy their royal appetites, guests indulged in a delectable assortment of goodies including pizza and decorate-your-own cupcakes.

Mount Horeb DECA wishes to extend its grati-



Pictured above are Laurel Aquino, Emma Olsen, Anna Tranel, Alexa Vesely, Delaney Chronister, Tate Boatman, Campbell Johnston, Elise Hazlewood, Alexis Druid, Amina Ndiaye, Lainy Hesseling, Kait Green, Raniah Hubbard, Ava Murphy, Riley Murray, Sophie Nelson, Eileen Herrera Carballo, Eleanor Guenther, Laurel Helland, Sydney Almquist, Emma Heisch, Andie Moore, Delaney Stendalen, Manon Gilles, Dani Kleman, Will Imbus, Jasper Rothenberg, Dylan McKillips, Owen Fawcett, Hayden Herritz, Jack Schultek, Ayden Green, Abby Sadler, Esperanza Vargas-Santos, Nora Carroll and Charlotte Carroll. Photo contributed.

tude to Buck & Honey's for their contribution and for providing the perfect setting for such a magical event. Additionally, the organization would like to thank all the attendees who joined them on this enchanting night. The support and participation from the students, staff, and community mem-

bers were instrumental in making this event a resounding success. This event was made possible by all DECA members including DECA officers, Vice President of Membership Development Emma Olsen, and Director of Brand Management Sophie Nelson. Mount Horeb DECA's Once Upon a Time

event not only created a memorable experience for attendees but also served as a testament to the organization's commitment to fostering leadership skills and community engagement. Mount Horeb DECA continues to inspire and empower the next generation of business leaders.



Grand Reopening Celebration at Hi Point Steakhouse Marks Comeback from July 2023 Fire

On January 30, the local supper club Hi Point Steakhouse celebrated its grand reopening with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and festivities, marking a triumphant return after a devastating fire on Sunday, July 23, 2023.

The community came together to commemorate Hi Point Steakhouse's rise from the ashes, with heartfelt appreciation for the volunteer firefighters from Ridgeway, Dodgeville, and Barneveld/Brigham who courageously saved the structure during the unfortunate incident last summer.

The ribbon-cutting event was co-hosted by the Mount Horeb Area Chamber of Commerce, the Dodgeville Area Chamber of Commerce, and Dane Buy Local, all of which count Hi Point Steakhouse as a valued member. The collaboration between these organizations underscores the strong support and interconnectedness within the local business community.

Guests at the grand reopening were treated to a transformed and beautifully remodeled space, showcasing the resilience and determination of Hi Point Steakhouse. The establishment, known for its delectable cuisine and traditional supper club ambiance, has been a staple in the community for many years.

"Today is not just about the reopening of a restaurant, but a celebration of community strength, resilience, and the unwavering support that binds us together," remarked Rachel LaCasse-Ford, President/CEO of the Mount Horeb Area Chamber of Commerce.

Hi Point Steakhouse expressed deep gratitude to the volunteer firefighters and the broader community for their support during the challenging period of recovery. The grand reopening signals a new chapter for Hi Point Steakhouse, promising patrons an enhanced dining experience and a continued commitment to serving the community.

Leo Beer earns Student Spotlight



The Mount Horeb Area School District last week celebrated Leo Beer, a student at 4K Little Vikings, as the February student spotlight winner.

"Leo goes above and beyond!" said Tara Deglow, Beer's teacher at Academy of Little Vikings 4K & Childcare. "He is extremely caring and considerate of everyone. He is an amazing friend to have and is a hard worker. Leo is a super-star student. He is a great problem solver when social problems arise and seeks to find win-win solutions for everyone." From left to right: Student Services Administrator Brian Johnson, Board President Jessica Arrigoni, proud siblings Max and Bentley, our guest of honor Leo, Mrs. Beer, Mr. Beer, Mrs. Tara Deglow, as well as 4K Admin and School Psychologist Nicole Tepe.

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High School Honor Roll

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2022-2023 School Year**

Cum laude - “with honor”; “with praise” 3.50 – 3.74

Magna cum laude - “with great honor”; “with great praise” 3.75 – 3.89

Summa cum laude - “with highest honor”; “with highest praise” 3.90 – 4.00

Summa Cum Laude

Owen Aeschlimann
Andrew Ahrens
Sydney Alcorn
Trinity Alexander
Sydney Almquist
Addison Anderson
Laurel Aquino
Nicolas Baden
Madelyn Becker
Acer Bengry
Everest Bengry
Ava Bilse
Leah Boullion
Abbey Brummer
Eirinn Carr
Claire Casey
Alexander Chapman
Clementine Christian
Delaney Chronister
Jake Cimorelli
Ayden Cornelius
Saige Covert
Helen Curtis
Kyra Danz
Micah Davis
Eli Dinh
Faith R. Droessler
Karlei Droster
Austin Druid
Abygael Edseth
Ella Fager
Alexandra Felcyn
Helen Fisher
Mackenzie Fleck
James Fountas
Alma Frame
Kyle Frischmann
Ethan Gage
Delilah Gasch
Zoe Gauger
Nola Gilmore
Cora Gorman
Chrayvion Green
Ayden Green
Eleanor Guenther
Madeline Haack
Samantha Hanson
Blerton Hashani
Kaylen Hastings
Emma Heisch
Elizabeth Helin
Viviana Helwig
Eileen Herrera Carballo
Hayden Herritz
Lalaina Hesseling

Micah Hiler
 Anna Hofmann
 Adrienne Hogseth
 Calvin Huynh
 Elaina Imbus
 Alexander Israngkun Na
 Ayuthia
 Aria Johnson
 Stella Jungels
 Norah Jungels
 Ella Kahl
 Sawyer Kahl
 Leah Kellesvig
 Dani Kleman
 Ava Kolb
 Noah Koltz
 Barret Kreul
 Caroline Kruepke
 Timothy Kruse
 Joshua Kuntz
 Marek Lambert-Conohan
 Lorelei Lawry
 Clara Lindley
 Bryce Losenegger
 Zachary Maguire
 Jada Mathews
 Sean McClellan
 Molly McCue
 Elysia McKillips
 Perri McMahan
 Mackenzie Meinholz
 Siobhan Mertz
 Elizabeth Mesenberg
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 Avery Monroe
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 Paige Owens
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 Kathleen Smith
 Jacob Sroda
 Zephyr Stanek

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Emma Strother
Emerson Sutter
Madeline Swiggum
Sydney Thelen
Jocelyn Thesing
Anna Tranel
Kathleen Van Gorden
Elle Veech
Alexa Vesely
Jack Vesperman
Maia Westenbroek
Anneli Wik
Jack Wilson
Landon Wright
Samuel Wyse
Julia Zimmer
Jack Zwettler

Magna Cum Laude

Phoebe Aburomia
Aiden Aeschlimann
Elijah Ahrens
Lauren Albrecht
Jackson Alcorn
Kate Alcorn
Micah Ammann
Samantha Anderson
Tessa Angle
Rachel Aquino
Amelia Arrigoni
Gabbe Bagstad
Marit Barsness
Liam Bechner
Andrew Bennin
Angus Best
Gretta Birkeland
Aiden Braverman
Preston Braverman
Benjamin Brohn
Zachary Brummund
Anaveja Burns-Blizzard
Braydon Byers
Kayla Chase
Noelia Cheleri
Jeremiah Cothren
Isabella Cross
Jaina Czyzewski
Thomas Dahl
Efram Delahaye
Josetta Donaldson
Caleb Dorning
Alexis Druid
Kaylynn Duckett
Brecken Dudley
Landon Ellestad
Coen Faber
Kaitlyn Farr
Emily Folco
Carmen Forbes
Magali Forlines
Ella Gaitan
Ella Gauger
Ava Gee
Evey Gropp
Griffin Hannah
Erijona Hashani
Tyrus Hastings

Isaac Hefty
Laurel Helland
Maya Hinzmann
Wesley Horne
Raniah Hubbard
Natalie Hufton
Nathanael Hufton
Mason Hurda
Carlene Jenson
Lauren Johnson
Hallie Klein
Bradley Koehler
Isabella Kolb
Aspen Laesch
James Larson
Austin Leibfried
Eli Leonard
Mateja Lesar
Mateja Lesar
Addison Lockwood
Jackson Loger
Joshua Manchester
Lela Markhardt
Colton Martin
Elysia McKay
Nika McMullan
Courtney Monroe
Ava Murphy
Riley Murray
Aminata Ndiaye
Leah Nelson
Ava Newman
Delaina Nicewander
Calvin Odgers
Cullen Olson
Athena Ouradnik
Olivia Parks
Liam Patterson
Madelyn Potter
Owen Preimesberger
Laila Rasmussen
Beckham Retzlaff
Jessica Ricci
Lea Roemer
Sophia Sadler
Anika Schaller
Boden Schaller
Jack Schultz
Areyes Scols
Alysen Seibel
Kian Spowart
Hunter Stamm
Violet Statz
Delaney Stendalen
Katherine Straka
Gabrielle Taft
Caden Thelen
Kendyll Theobald
Maeve True
Adeline Tweed
Andrew Vigliotta
Willa Vigliotta
Nicholas Vorwald
Maxwell Vrstal
Harrison Walker
Aidan Ward
Benjamin Werger
Cora Wetzel
Mason Williams
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Madigan Yogerst
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Cum Laude

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Hayden B. Anderson
Maggie Anderson
Henry Arrigoni
William Baber
Joseph Ballew
Edie Balster
Liliana Barcheski
Adriana Bartow-Holder
Colton Bell
Emmeline Bennin
Jordan Betzle
Alexander Blake
Joseph Bluhm
Tate Boatman
Keigan Boldon
Kayla Bredeson
Samantha Buechner
Jozie Clifton
Gabriel Costa
William Cox
Cole Cunningham
Elizabeth Cunningham
Riley Dahlk
Ruby Dahlk
Gabriella Davidson
Heath Davis
Robert Davis
Callaway Deegan
Joseph DeMets
Marisa Denu
Norah Egnew
Jackson Ellingson
Quintin Ellingson
Carson Escalona
Madeline Evans
Sierra Faul
Sienna Feltz
Aaron Fendrick
Kennedi Fink
Aidan Gage
Alyssa Garrity
Logan Gasch
Halle Gervasi
Hannah Gervasi
Lucas Gonzalez
Cameron Goodwin
Jackson Goodwin
Raelynn Gough
Kait Green
Alexandria Grundahl
Maxwell Grundahl
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Aferdita Hashani
Vahide Hashani
Ellie Hefty
Grace Hefty
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Leo Helwig
Brooks Hendrickson
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Mikayla Holler
Jayse Holman
Reese Jeglum
Rowan Johnson
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 Mary Meyer
 Logan Monohan
 Finley Moore
 Daniel Moyer
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The cards, memorials, flowers, food, texts, calls, and visits, touched our hearts deeply.

We are grateful for those who were able to share in her Celebration of Life with us, it was an amazing turnout and we are blessed to have had you be a part of her special day!

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Gleanings

By **Barb Johnson**

Mount Horeb Mail

120 Years Ago- Feb. 18, 1904

Two tramps blew into town Tuesday evening. One thing is singular about these pedestrians, they always hit town about sundown and they are well posted on the law as far as the village being obliged to furnish lodging and warm quarters, and the marshal is their servant.

Arnold Sletto is in the grip of the grippe. We trust, however, that he will soon be able to be about that we may give him a friendly grip.

The Village Board has purchased a windmill from Steyer and Benson to be placed over the village well for pumping water.

Mrs. Odegard and Holum have opened up dressmaking parlors on Main Street over the post office and will be pleased to receive the patronage of the ladies who may have work in their line.

Thomas Connors has rented the Bakken farm near Klevenville, containing 136 acres, at a rent of \$325 per year, and will take possession March 1.

110 Years Ago- Feb. 13, 1914

William Went will work the Christ Zwettler farm this year that Frank Karn vacates. Frank will move to town for a year.

Dottie Scott of Madison visited her cousin Alice Dahle here last week.

Miss Hattie Grinde is attending the normal school at Whitewater and is taking up a course in bookkeeping.

James Murphy is now the owner of the big livery barn here formerly owned by James Hendrickson. He traded in some land in Cross Plains as part payment.

Brown & Weltzin closed the deal.

The Boy Scouts recently organized here are looking for a suitable meeting room and a place to keep their paraphernalia.

J. O. Bakken and wife will take up their residence in the living rooms in the corner building over the new billiard hall until their new residence on the Lake Park Drive in Martin's addition is ready for occupancy.

Clarence Johnson brought a porker to the market Monday that tipped the beam at 610 pounds and at 8 cents per pound it can be seen that it pays to be in the hog business.

100 Years Ago- Feb. 12, 1924

The Advancement Association meeting held last Wednesday evening in the National Hotel was opened by short but impressive views honoring the nation's dead ex-president, Woodrow Wilson. J. B. Johnson spoke on "What Mt. Horeb Needs Most Today." He said that while we needed many things, open roads the year around would be his choice as the one thing we needed most. Professor Gifford's address plainly showed that he was a master in the business of conducting a large and successful high school.

There will be a "dress-up" comic valentine party at the Masonic Hall on Thursday evening. Feb. 14th. All members of the Masonic Lodge and Eastern Star are cordially invited to be present and bring a friend. Ladies bring a lunch for two.

John T. Laufenberg has hauled 46 cords of wood to Cross Plains this winter and got about \$400 for it.

A sleigh load of young folks attended the old time dance at Barneveld Friday evening.

After the sleet storm the first of the week the telephone service was badly crippled and as the storm continued all through Tuesday and Wednesday they were not able to start to work until Thursday. Under the leadership of Ban Dahlen the men labored early and late, during the cold and storm. About 5o'clock Saturday night, thy announced that service had again been restored to its usual excellent condition on all lines.

90 Years Ago- Feb. 15, 1934

Total receipts for Christmas Seals sold to date is \$88.50, as reported by T. S. Thompson, Seals Sale Manager.

Miss Marie Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Johnson, Springdale, became bride of Delphin Bakken, son of Mr. and Mrs. H.O. Bakken, also of Springdale, Wednesday, Feb. 14, at the Gunderson parsonage.

Mrs. Albert (Ammie) Lewis, 63, died Wednesday, Feb. 7 in her home after a long illness.

70 Years Ago- Feb. 11, 1954

Negotiations were completed here Saturday in which John C. Hanley and Miss Betty Phillmore sold the Hanley Auto Company to Fred Klusendorf of the Klusendorf Chevrolet Co., Barneveld. The deal does not include the building.

Miss Angeline Hefty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hefty, Mount Horeb will reign as queen of the Mt. Horeb F.F.A. banquet to be held February 17 in the high school.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Ryan, Blue Mounds, Sunday, Feb. 7, at St. Mary's Hospital.

sustained serious but non-life-threatening injuries. The 29-year-old man from Sun Prairie was arrested for OWI – causing injury and

cited for Operating Without a License and Failure to Maintain Control. He is currently being held in the Dane County Jail.

50 Years Ago- Feb. 14, 1974

Seymour Gilbertson sold his home on North Third Street to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Zurbucken who will take possession May 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Klusendorf and Mr. and Mrs. Heinz Treu shared a banquet table at the Mount Horeb Area Chamber of Commerce dinner Saturday evening. Klusendorf has the Chevrolet dealership and Treu the Ford dealership. Both came in separate cars.

Lester Oimoen, Blue Mounds, is confined to the Methodist Hospital in Madison suffering from a broken shoulder and ribs as a result of being gored by a bull at his farm on Feb. 4.

Mrs. Emma Thompson, Waukesha, formerly of Mount Horeb, celebrated her 90th birthday on Feb. 1 at a belated reception held in her honor on Saturday, Feb. 9, at the University Club in Milwaukee. Many of her family members and many friends from Mount Horeb attended. She is the wife of the late Dr. A.S. Thompson, Mount Horeb physician, who passed away in 1943.

40 Years Ago- Feb. 16, 1984

The school board moved Saturday in executive session to offer primary school principal Steve Ashmore a new contract for the 1984-85 school year. In a unanimous vote the board reversed its earlier 5-1 vote to consider non-renewal.

Thomas R. Schmit, son of Anna Marie Schmit, Mount Horeb, has been appointed to the position of patrolman with the Fitchburg Police Department.

Melvin (Mike) Schwenn, Mount Horeb, age 83, died on Sunday Feb. 12, 1984 at his home. Mr. Schwenn was a barber in Mount Horeb for over 30 years.

20 Years Ago- Feb. 12, 2004

Steve Skalet, Jr. and Mitzie Schroeder were united in marriage on Feb. 13, 1954. They have lived in Mount Horeb since that time and raised seven children. There will an open house in their honor at Immanuel Lutheran Church on Feb. 15.

Peter Walton is the new owner of the American Family Insurance Agency in Mount Horeb. He says American Family Insurance is in his blood – his dad was with the company 33 years and he said, "It's what I've always wanted to do." Pete, Ellen, and their daughter, Brooke, reside on Lincoln Street. James Lickel and Sara Pladziewicz, both of Mount Horeb, have been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester. Both are students in the College of Letters and Science at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

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CRASHES

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driver was cited for OWI – 1st offense.

While deputies were still on the scene waiting for Alliant Energy crews to repair the power lines, another vehicle drove through the crash scene. A deputy made contact with the driver, who was intoxicated and had a gun in the vehicle. The 47-year-old man from Middleton was booked in to the Dane County Jail on a tentative charge of OWI with an enhancer of having a firearm.

The second crash occurred just before 11:30 pm on Hwy. 19 in the town of Medina. A driver lost control and drove off the roadway, hitting several trees. One of his three passengers

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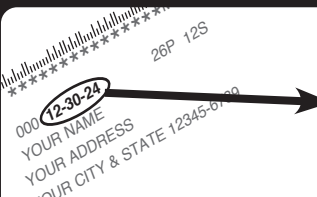
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

‘Green’ burials

What is Green Burial? Find out at the Mt. Horeb Public Library, Monday, February 19 at 1pm. Shedd Farley from Natural Path Sanctuary, along with Melissa Theisen from Gunderson Funeral & Cremation Care, will discuss green burial options. Learn about Natural Path Sanctuary, Verona, a nature preserve burial ground also known as a green cemetery. This is the first cemetery in Dane County that exclusively follows natural/green burial practices offering natural and traditional alternative to modern-day burials. No registration required for this event. For more information about the library and its services, visit www.mhpl.org.

Come sing with chorale

The Mount Horeb Chorale will begin singing this Sunday, February 18 in the Mount Horeb High School Choir Room from 7 to 9 p.m. Anyone who is high school age and above is wel-

come to sing with the group. The chorale will be active in it’s 39th consecutive season and will be directed by Greg Dennis and accompanied by Diane Dangerfield, both former choral music directors at MHHS. Please come and share your voice and make beautiful music together. A concert will be held in late April.

Old-time spiritualism

Learn about the uncanny world of nineteenth-century American Spiritualism at the Mt. Horeb Public Library, Monday, February 26 at 1pm. David Desimone, from the Wisconsin Historical Society, will shed a light on this mysterious period in history. More than an occult parlor game, spiritualism was a new religion which channeled the voices of the dead, linked the present with the past and conjured new worldly and otherworldly futures. This program will cover everything from the Fox sisters, often credited with creating the first major wave of Spiritualism in America, to the Morris Pratt

Institute, the first school dedicated to teaching Spiritualism in America, located in Whitewater. No registration needed. For more information about the library and its services, visit www.mhpl.org.

Oratorical contest

The Optimist International Oratorical Contest program provides an excellent opportunity for students who have not graduated from high school to gain self-confidence and public speaking ability. For the very best there is the possibility of college scholarships.

Over the past 15 years, several dozen local students have participated in the Cross Plains Optimist Club oratorical contest, and the best of them have won scholarships totaling \$8,500. For Cross Plains resident Cathryn Schwegel, “Participating in the Optimist Oratorical Contest back in 2009 was the first time I grasped the understanding that I had the ability to be valued by what I had to say. This gave me a sense of identity, knowing that my thoughts and experiences were not only unique, but worthy of being shared with others. There’s power in the way you think; there’s only and ever will be *one* of you. Your experiences, thoughts, and feelings are unmatched to anyone else. *that* is your superpower.”

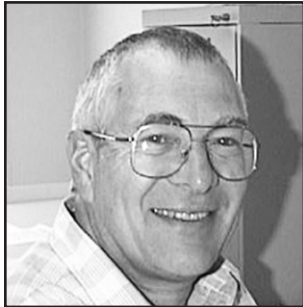
The 2024 Cross Plains Optimist Club oratorical contest will take place on Saturday March 16th at 9:00 AM in the Cross Plains Public Library. Students write and deliver a 4 to 5-minute speeches on the topic “How to Change the World with Optimism.” They are judged on content and presentation. The best will move on to the scholarship portion of the contest. For more information contact Lee Sorensen and happykarter@gmail.com or 608-577-9173.

Scholarship available

Created more than 30 years ago, the purpose of the scholarship is “to recognize the importance of education and to promote the teaching profession.” Candidates must be graduates of Mount Horeb High School and be admitted into the school of education at an accredited four-year college or university. Friends and relatives of Mount Horeb High School

graduates are encouraged to help publicize the existence of this scholarship. Candidates may receive an application and apply for consideration through the Mount Horeb High School Student Services website. Applications should be completed and returned by April 15, 2024. The scholarship(s) will be given to the candidate(s) selected by the MHEA Scholarship Committee and awards will be presented at the MHHS Scholarship Ceremony on May 22, 2024.

Cows & climate change



Presenter Dr. Warren Porter, emeritus Professor in the Department of Integrative Biology at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. Photo by Brooke Davis Photography.

Dane County farmers are used to dealing with the elements—from droughts and flooding, to heat waves and cold spells. You just gotta put your head down and get through it. (And maybe complain a little bit with your neighbors, of course.)

But what happens when the weather doesn’t snap back? What is the result of increasing and sustained temperatures on Wisconsin’s dairy herds, a vital component of our state—and local—ag economy?

On Monday, February 19 at 6:30 p.m. at Mount Horeb’s downtown Driftless Historium (100 S 2nd St), Dr. Warren Porter will present “Climate Change and Cows: Using Computer Modeling to Understand How a Global Crisis Can Hit Close to Home.”

The Mount Horeb Area Historical Society and the Village of Mount Horeb Sustainability Committee are co-hosts of this event. MHAHS was founded in 1975 to collect, preserve and share the history and heritage of Southwestern Dane County; the Society operates the award-winning Driftless Historium Museum & Research Center. The Sustainability Commit-

tee is comprised of community leaders and volunteer citizens who advocate and promote sustainable policies and practices that contribute to environmental quality, economic resilience and growth, and social equity.

“Cows & Climate Change” is a Badger Talks program, an initiative of the University of Wisconsin. Via virtual and in-person presentations and events led by UW’s world-class faculty, staff and graduate students, Wisconsin residents are introduced to the latest discoveries and research and engaged with topics they care about. Learn more at badgertalks.wisc.edu.

Registration is not required to attend this free event. For more information, call 608-437-6486 or email mthorebahs@gmail.com.

Model trains

The 56th annual Mad City Model Railroad Show has expanded in size to over 100,000 square feet. It is one of the region’s most wide-ranging model train shows - drawing over 7,000 attendees and is open to the public on Saturday and Sunday, February 17th and 18th, 2024 at the Alliant Energy Center, Exhibition Hall in Madison. The show will include Mount Horeb-area residents Greg Dennis and Jon Welch.

Modular model railroads in a variety of scales (size) will be in operation. These large animated displays are operated by clubs from all over Wisconsin, Illinois and Michigan’s upper Peninsula. Well represented are the Milwaukee suburbs, Madison and places farther away like Green Bay, Eau Claire, Crystal Lake, Random Lake, Orland Park and Menomonie.

Show and Sale hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday and 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday.

Home plumbing class

Ever had problems replacing a toilet, sink or faucet? Help is here! Learn basic home plumbing at the Mt. Horeb Public Library Wednesday, Feb 21 at 6:30pm. Along with some basic skills, you’ll hear about the importance of the right tools and discover things to look out for. Participants will also receive info on how to deal with drain

problems and maintain your drainage system. This class is taught by Project Home. Sponsored by MG&E. No registration needed. For more information about the library and its services, visit www.mhpl.org.

Free concert

Joe Newberry and April Verch are masters of their traditions. Tunes, ballads, step dancing, and original songs by way of Canada and the Ozarks ring like silver and shine like gold. Together, they’ll fill the Mt. Horeb Public Library with incredible music Tuesday, March 5 at 6:30 pm. Featuring beautiful harmony singing, breathtaking instrumentals, and exquisite dancing, these two hit the stage in perfect rhythm, making you remember why this music existed in the first place. For more information about this concert, and all the library offers, visit www.mhpl.org.

Final indoor farmers market

The Mt. Horeb Farmers Market will be holding its last indoor market for the winter season this Saturday, February 17, at the Evangelical Lutheran Church, 315 E. Main Street between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. There will be plenty of parking both on Main St. and in the large parking lot behind the church. Enter the building from either the front or the back and follow the signs.

Authorities look for info about dog bite

Public Health Madison & Dane County is looking for information about a dog that bit a child on Feb. 12. This incident occurred around 3 p.m. on the 100 block of S. First St. The bite occurred when the dog escaped from the side door of its home and attacked a child walking by.

The dog is described as a medium to large, white, Bulldog-type breed. The person with the dog is described as a child wearing blue jeans and a white shirt.

Public Health asks that anyone with information about this incident call the Police and Fire Dispatcher at (608) 255-2345 and ask for an Animal Services Officer. If the dog is not found, the bite victim may be required to complete a series of expensive shots to prevent rabies.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Mt. Horeb Seniors lunch outing to Mt. Vernon Tap, leave 10:15am. RSVP to 608-437-6902

Neighbors Helping Neighbors, Food Closet open 6:00-7:30pm

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food Closet open 9:00 to 10:30am (Seniors Preferred) ; All shoppers - 3:00-6:00pm

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Mt. Horeb Farmers Winter Market, 9:00am-1:00pm, inside Mt. Horeb Evangelical Lutheran Church. Produce, meat, eggs, honey, maple syrup, kim chi, hot sauce, baked goods, canned goods and more.

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Tai Chi, Senior Center, 1:00pm, RSVP 608-437-6902

Ageless Grace, Senior Center 2:00pm, RSVP 608-437-6902

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Foot Clinic, 9:00am-3:30pm. Senior Center. Call 608-437-6902 for appointment.

Fink's Cafe closed for senior lunches until March 13. Seniors are welcome at Senior Center on Wednesdays. at 11:15am while Fink's Cafe is closed.

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

Mount Horeb Community Band Concert, 7:00pm, High School Auditorium

Information for the Community Calendar must be emailed by noon on the Monday of the week of publication.

Information should be emailed to mhclasses@fingerpub.com.

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COMMUNITY

Obituary

Douglas “Doug” William Theobald

Douglas “Doug” William Theobald, 79, of Noblesville, passed away February 5, 2024. He was born September 25, 1944, in Dodgeville, Wisconsin to John and Helen (Kvernén) Theobald. Doug graduated from Barneveld High School in 1962 where he lettered in three sports and met the love of his life, Sue. He and Sue married on October 6, 1962.



Doug completed a four-year glazier apprenticeship in Madison and CSI and CDT construction certifications in Indianapolis. His career

in architectural sales and management moved him and his family to St. Louis, Indianapolis, Chicago, and Harrisonburg, Virginia. In 1990, Doug and Sue moved back to the Indianapolis area to be closer to their children and grandchildren. After retiring, Doug found his true calling in life driving a school bus for HSE schools. For 12 years, Mr. T. was loved by his student passengers and families. Through-

out his life, Doug enjoyed golfing, playing Euchre, tinkering with his 57 Chevy, cheering on his grandkids at their sporting events, and watching the Green Bay Packers.

Doug is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Sue Ann (Arneson) Theobald; daughters, Kristi Short (Donnie) and Kerri Rhodes; son, James Theobald (Jennifer); grandchildren, Justin Short (Abby), Jacob Short,

Cameron Theobald, Ashlyn Theobald, and Brett Rhodes; brother, Lane Theobald (Sherrie); sisters-in-law, Simone Eslien (Greg), Sandy Buchanan (Allen) and Sonja Frame (Jim). He was preceded in death by his parents; father and mother-in-law, Marvin and Verna Arneson; half-brother, Ed Edwards; and grandson, Tyler Short.

Visitation will be Thursday, February 15, 2024 from

4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel, 9900 Allisonville Road, Fishers. A burial service will be held at Middlebury Church in Barneveld, Wisconsin at a future date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Humane Society of Hamilton County or your local food pantry.

www.shirleybrothers.com.

Public Safety

236 Citations in Dane County Impaired Driving Campaign

Two hundred thirty-six drivers were cited for traffic violations during a December two-day crackdown on impaired driving which involved all law enforcement agencies in Dane County, according to the Dane County Traffic Safety Commission (TSC).

On December 15 and 29, the Wisconsin State Patrol,

Dane County Sheriff’s Office and all Dane County police departments implemented increased enforcement looking for impaired drivers through the “Drive Sober, Get Pulled Over” campaign organized by the TSCs law enforcement subgroup.

Lt. Chad O’Neil, Stoughton Police Department, co-chairs that group. “This was the first time in recent history when all 22 county law enforcement agencies conducted simultaneous enforcement to stop driving

under the influence of alcohol or drugs,” Lt. O’Neil said.

During this two-day effort, these agencies recorded:

- 385 stops of vehicles whose drivers were suspected of impaired driving or other traffic violations;
- 296 verbal or written warnings for risky driving behavior, including 57 for speeding;
- 236 traffic citations were issued, including 52 for speeding, a number of which were for drivers ex-

ceeding the speed limit by 20 m.p.h. or more;

- 7 arrests for OWI (operating a vehicle while intoxicated). An additional 21 arrests were made for other criminal violations.

Law enforcement agencies dedicated over 486 combined hours conducting this enforcement campaign, which was planned during the holidays, when driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs is especially common.

“This effort brought to-

gether smaller and larger law enforcement agencies across the county with one purpose: to save lives and reduce injuries,” Lt. O’Neil said. “We just want people to think and not drive if they’re under the influence of alcohol or drugs. We

can’t measure the number of people who decided not to drive because of this campaign. But we can measure statistics on traffic stops when dangerous behavior is observed. They tell a story that is a good reminder for us all.”

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Sugar River Euchre

By STAN HOOK
Sugar River Euchre

Norsk Cowboys Randy Schmid and Marvin Thompson drove 118 cattle home while Pranksters Rodney Latham and Dave Hook were able to retake 114 head. Sitting low in the saddle, Roger Olstad and Ferdie Schmitz barely avoided being skunked in the second frame when Rodney and Dave allowed them to take just a single calf off the range. In the end, the Cowboys outdrove the Norsk Pranksters by 53 head.

Hay Shakers Jeff Judd and Don Williams weren’t as lucky as Roger and Ferdie. In the fifth frame Mary Humphry and Dan Meinholz handed Jeff and Don a skunk, Jeff’s second this half. Don and Jeff won just one game all night and finished with a mere 74 points. Teammates Jeff Goebler and Al Zimmerman attempted to bail the team out, putting 113 bales in the mow, but

team Uff-da proved to be too much and shook a 25 point win out of the Hay Shakers.

At the other end of the spectrum, J&M Bar River Rats Mark Argue and Jack Gehin were perfect, snagging 120 slices of cheese from the Red Mouse Shufflers. River Rats Steve Ace and Tracy Funseth tried their best to equal Mark and Jack but fell three slices short at 117 slices. Also contributing to the 105 point win, River Rats Ernie Sarbacker and Don Boley missed skunking John Nechkash and Tom Meyer in the second frame by 1 point. In the end Tom and John didn’t do any better score wise than Hay Shakers Jeff and Don. They did however do better than teammates Ed Chancellor and Steve Vogt who could only shuffle 71 points free.

Another close skunk occurred in the match between the Morgan Pipe Benders and the Morgan Express. This time Ross Nesheim and

Tracy Buetel had Opie Taylor and Pat Collins down 12 to 0. Ross dealt himself four trump and a suit ace. Unfortunately, he dealt Tracy, his partner, the rest of the trump, so naturally Tracy ordered. They easily took all five tricks and 2 points, but not the four needed to skunk Opie and Pat. Before Ross and Tracy could finish them off, Opie and Pat were able to secure a point. The Steinhauer brothers, Dave and Charlie, were able to pull 117 cars into the station to give the Express a 35 point advantage over the Pipe Benders. Ryan Arneson and Tiny Zander didn’t help the Pipe Benders much at all. They had just 69 threaded pieces to turn in at the end of the night, this week’s low score.

Sportsman’s Bar Cheese Eaters jumped out to a 28 point lead after the first frame and a 45 point lead by the end of the fifth. The Viking Trolls won all four

games in the sixth frame to cut the lead to 22. At that point the Cheese Eaters took over, outscoring the Trolls in the last two rounds to win the match by 51 points. Cheese Eaters Giff Hoesly and Kendal Wenger finished with 111 points.

Standings:
Express 6-0
Cowboys 4-2
Uff-Da 4-2
Cheese Eaters 3-3
Kleeman’s 3-3
Pranksters 3-3
Shufflers 3-3
Pipe Benders 2-4
J&M Bar 2-4
Trolls 0-6
Feb. 15 Schedule:
Cowboys @ Shufflers (7:00)
Uff-da @ Pranksters (7:30)
Cheese Eaters @ Express (7:00)
Pipe Benders @ Hay Shakers (7:30)
River Rats @ Trolls (7:00)

Countryside News



By JERRY DAVIS
Countryside News

An early maple syrup season is well on the way to what may be a fantastic season before some tappers

even think about getting started. Nina Miller, and her husband Roger James, moved to rural Iowa County four years ago. Having no experience in tapping trees, collecting sap, and boiling and bottling the syrup, Nina said they found big and small, sellers and home syrup makers all very helpful and they have been able



to bottle enough for pancakes every Sunday morning. They also found equipment readily available, including the parts necessary to construct their own evaporator. Of course they cut and split their own oak, maple, hickory, and elm wood to fire the evaporator. After evaporating a sizeable portion of the water from the sap, Nina and Roger finish the product and bottle the syrup indoors.

Top right: Nina Miller, tends the fire to evaporate water from sap.

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Dog Agility



Charlotte Gunby and dog Archie shine

Mount Horeb teen Charlotte Gunby is making a name for herself – and her English shepherd, Archie – in the world of dog agility. Last year, the *Mail* chronicled the early days of their pursuit, and this human/canine duo has been busy since then.

“I had a great time in England and placed sixth overall in our individual category (under 19 large dogs),” she said. “I also got to attend the Cynosport World Games in Tennessee in October where I advanced to Steeplechase Finals, the US Open in Florida in November where I made Speedstages Finals, and the AKC Junior Agility Championship in Florida in December. All of the events were so fun, and I was so lucky to get to experience all of them over the last year!”

VILLAGE

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raze order. With the order, the property owner would have 30 days to make repairs. According to the Board’s report on the matter, if such actions are not taken, the Village will move to have the building razed at an estimated cost of \$200,000.

The cost will be added as a lien on the building and then reimbursed to the Village through that process. The report referred to the potential of owner-declared bankruptcy as being the only risk.

“Ultimately, the Board’s goal is to get this property back into a useful form; housing, commercial development, whatever it is,” Czyzewski said.

The Board approved Village Attorney Bryan Kleinmaier’s move to approve the repair or raze order for the building with the understanding that it will not be razed unless by Village and until the contract is approved by the Village Board.

The next Village Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 6.

Rotary Club

Chronister, Gonzalez named Student Rotarians

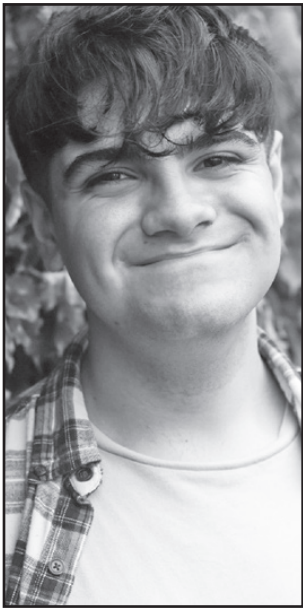
Local students met with Rotarians in January

Mount Horeb students Delaney Chronister and Lucas Gonzalez shared their interests and talents during January lunches with the Mount Horeb Rotary Club.

Delaney Chronister has been involved in DECA for all four years of high school, serving in several leadership roles. She has recently completed a business start up proposal for a DECA competition. Her business is based on her 4H projects using epoxy wood work. Her parents, Andrew and Katey Judd, own Judd's Woodshop, a custom cabi-



Delaney Chronister



Lucas Gonzalez

netry business that gave her background for her own business proposal. She will present her business plan at the DECA state conference this year in Lake Geneva.

Delaney's other interests include owning a herd of dairy Holsteins that she breeds and shows. She has been active in Springdale 4H for nine years and in FFA for three years, serving as vice president. At school, she has been in student council, yearbook and on the Principal's Advisory Board. In addition to her parents, her family includes a brother, Finn. She hopes to attend college to study English and

chemistry.

Anyone lucky enough to have seen the Addams Family musical at Mount Horeb High School got to see Lucas Gonzalez starring as Gomez Addams. He is involved in a wide range of musical performances, and is currently doing a vocal showcase with Forte Studio.

At school, Lucas is involved with the drama club as a student director, and is busy preparing 10 different performances for the State Solo and Ensemble competition, ranging from a violin piece to vocal performances. He's also serving as student council president,

drama club director, and is involved in band, choir, jazz band, troubadours, fiddle band, vocal jazz, and madrigal singers. He is currently working on college auditions as he hopes to attend college for musical theater. Lucas is the son of Alcides Leo Gonzalez, who owns a landscaping company, and Maria Cecilia Agosto, a legal assistant. His brother is Nicolas Gonzalez. Superintendent Steve Salerno told the Rotarians that he attended a recent swim meet in Verona where Lucas sang the national anthem, and wowed the audience with his singing.

Voices in the Community

Community Band will host concert Feb. 21

The Mount Horeb Community Band will present a concert program on Wednesday, February 21 at 7 p.m. in the MHHS Auditorium located at 305 S. 8th Street. This year's program is entitled *Voices in the Community*.

The program includes a collaboration with local voice teacher and performer Kyle Keene and Mount



Kyle Keene

Horeb alumni Charlie Laabs on drums. With the help of band members Ruth Heinicke, piano and John Mesoloras, bass, this vocal jazz combo will be backed up by the community band. Featured works include Gershwin's *You Can't Take that Away from Me* and Henry Mancini's *It Had Better Be Tonight*. Keene moved here 3 years ago but has been

visiting Mount Horeb since 2007. He's enjoyed producing local entertainment these past 2 years and is happy to join the Mount Horeb Community Band. Kyle can be found teaching private piano and voice lessons during the week and yacking it up at The Viking on the weekends. The ensemble will also be premiering a work *Like the Wind* by composer

Erika Svanoe to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Wisconsin Arts Board. The Wisconsin Arts Board is a state agency which nurtures creativity, cultivates expression, promotes the arts, supports the arts in education, stimulates community and economic development and serves as a resource for people of every culture and heritage. This piece will

feature voices of poetry and community art. The group will perform classics from the wind band repertoire. Directors, Will Janssen and Patty Schlafer are excited to gather community musicians together for this performance. The concert is free, family friendly, and generously supported by the Mount Horeb Community Foundation.

DISTRICT

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The other priorities will be well-being (we will provide support services for our students and staff), facilities and finances (we will ensure the long-range viability of the district) and community engagement (we will partner with the community and engage them in leisure activities)."

Superintendent Salerno discussed the Board's overarching objective of workforce development and cited the district's youth apprenticeship placement program, the introduction of the International Baccalaureate Premier Program, the school district's focus on preparing students for the workforce

and the addition of a school-to-work career coordinator as factors propelling the Area School District ahead in the region.

"These are the knowledge, the skills, the dispositions that we want our students to carry with them into the workforce," Salerno said on preparing students for post-high school life.

The Board determined that the plan would help educators set conditions for student success and unanimously approved the plan.

"I'm looking forward to the introduction of the IB [International Baccalaureate] program and expanding our internship programs as much as we can," Board Director Carly Fisher said. "I think we've got some really exciting things in here."

Highlighting student Events

The Mount Horeb High School Art Show is ongoing in the Driftless Historium, 100 S 2nd Street. According to the Chamber of Commerce, MHHS students have created a gallery full of artwork in various mediums. The show runs until February 20 and is free to view in the Historium's Kalscheur Family Foundation Com-

munity Gallery from Friday to Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

"We went and toured it a couple of weeks ago, and the gamut of art is just incredible," Board Treasurer Jim Myers said. "We have some really talented students."

Also coming up in February, the high school will host its Winter Formal dance on February 17. All proceeds from the dance will go to a

local food pantry, and students have the option to bring five dollars or a non-perishable food item for admittance. According to MHHS, students wishing to bring a guest may pick up a

guest form from the front office and return the form no later than 3:30, February 14.

The Board of Education's next meeting takes place February 19.



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The 13th Scandihoovian Adult Spelling Bee was hosted by Buck & Honey’s Landing in Martinson Hall. Clockwise from top left: Event organizer Jane Burns reads off the words used for the spelling bee contestants; Adam Mertz of Mount Horeb grimaces as he reacts to his misspelling of a word during the last round of the event; Terese Floren is made the victor with her correct spelling of “chiaroscuro”; Phil Leavenworth contemplates the correct spelling of a word. The embroidered bee on his cap denotes him to be a past champion of this event. “Chiaroscuro” is an Italian term which literally means “light-dark” - it refers to clear tonal contrasts in paintings. Photos by Ron Lutz II.

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Sons of Norway host sweet treat demo

Members of the Sons of Norway demonstrate the making of Norwegian Krumkake and Waffles on a Stick at the Driftless Historium in Mount Horeb. Krumkake are traditional waffle cookies made of flour, butter, eggs, sugar, cream, as well as a flavoring such as vanilla, liquor, or cardamom. These days they are made using an electric iron, where once they were made with stove top irons. The batter is spooned into the decorative irons for a set amount of time, and while still warm they are then wrapped around either a cone or dowel rod to set their final form. Stored in tins they can be kept fresh until served. Typically a bit of whipped cream is dispensed into them just before they are eaten.



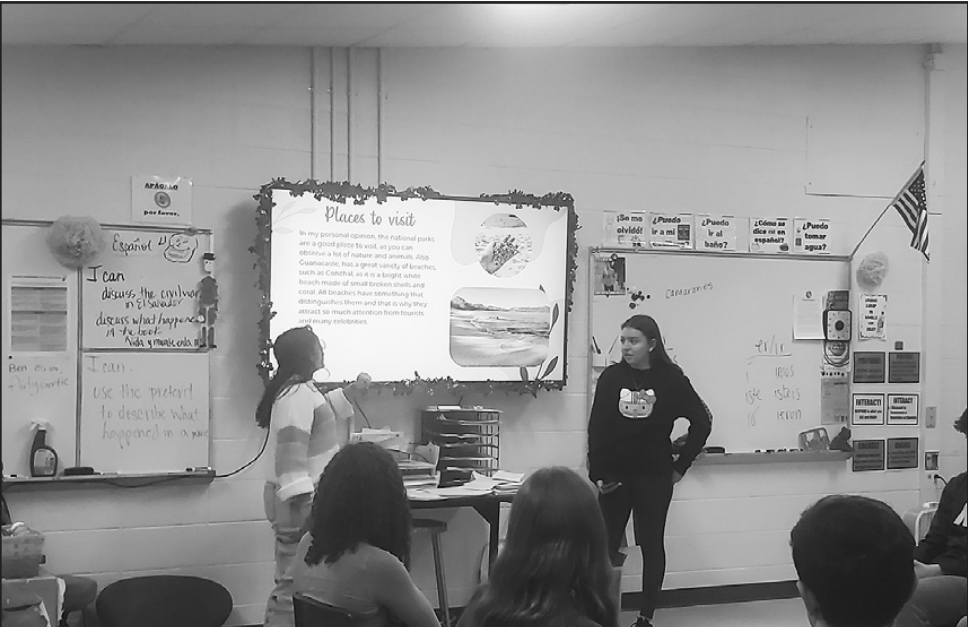
Clockwise from top left: Allen Watrud and his granddaughter Maya apply batter to their Waffle on a Stick iron that they brought back from a visit to Trondheim, Norway; Tubular krumkake shaped by being formed around dowel rods stored in a tin; cooked and ready to enjoy; A detailed photo of a traditional cookie pattern on the electric iron; Rita Schraepfer-Derke displays a tin full of cone shaped krumkake that she prepared for this demonstration. Photos by Ron Lutz II.

Solar 101: A celebration of renewable energy



A solar informational event and celebration of the growth of solar technology in America took place Saturday, February 3 at the Children’s Community School (CCS) located at 1175 Cox Drive in Mount Horeb. The school was recently awarded Climate Champion status by the Dane County Office of Energy and Climate Change (OECC). The school is a net zero facility, creating more energy than it uses. Above left, Director of Dane County Office of Energy and Climate Change Kathy Kuntz presents Sandra 2023 Cannon Climate Champion award to Children’s Community School. Above right: Mount Horeb Utility Jordy Schmitz walks attendees through local permitting and net metering.

Students from Costa Rica enjoy stay in Mount Horeb



For two weeks this winter, members of the Mount Horeb community welcomed a group of students from Heredia, Costa Rica into their homes through the Costa Rica Frika program. Winter weather in Wisconsin was on full display during their stay; the Costa Ricans were able to experience snowstorms, bitter cold snaps as well as rain - the sun even made an appearance for a few minutes. “It was a rich cultural experience for everyone involved and lifelong friendships were formed,” said Davis Svingen, Spanish teacher at Mount Horeb High School. “Thanks to all the families that hosted!” The students were Deva Salazar Arias, Valeria Bahena Mujica, Alisson León Céspedes, Oscar Daniel Rodríguez Román, Valeria Guillén Lleras, Salma Montero Carmona, Ariana Arguedas Méndez, Santiago Umaña Rojas, Camila Vargas Ávila, Carlos David Sánchez Torres, Melanie Guillén Arguedas, Larissa Rodríguez Rodríguez, Cristofer Castillo Araya. Photos contributed.

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Heating up at the right time

Mount Horeb's boys basketball team pushes winning streak to five

by **ROB REISCHEL**
Sports Editor

The WIAA will determine postseason seeds for the boys basketball tournament on Sunday.

And the way Mount Horeb is trending, it could be awfully happy about what awaits.

The Vikings ripped off three straight wins last week and pushed their season-long winning streak to five games.

Mount Horeb is now 16-5 overall and firmly entrenched in second place in the Badger Small Conference at 9-2.

"We are entering — at

least on paper — the easiest part of our schedule," Mount Horeb coach Todd Nesheim said last week.

And the Vikings took full advantage.

Mount Horeb downed rival Sauk Prairie, 71-56, on Feb. 6. The Vikings then knocked off a pair of sub-.500 teams — first toppling Madison Edgewood, 65-49, on Feb. 9, then up-ending Watertown, 72-53, on Feb. 10.

Here's a recap of the Vikings' week:

- **Mount Horeb 71, Sauk Prairie 56** — Nick Vorwald scored 23 points and Josh Manchester

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Todd Nesheim and Mount Horeb's boys basketball team won three straight games last week and pushed their winning streak to five games. Photo courtesy of Mary Langenfeld

Gymnasts win Platteville Invite

Mount Horeb aims for Badger Conference title on Saturday

by **ROB REISCHEL**
Sports Editor

Mount Horeb's girls gymnastics team will head to the Badger Conference meet Saturday morning at Sauk Prairie.

And after another sensational regular season that saw the Vikings go unbeaten in conference play and climb to No. 4 in the state's latest Division 2 rankings, Mount Horeb will be a consensus favorite to win another league title.

"As we prepare for the Badger Conference Championships this Saturday, we are in a good place," Mount Horeb coach Martha Koller Faust said. "Ideally, we'd love to place first and be outright Badger Conference champions."

Here's a recap of another terrific week for Mount Horeb.

PLATTEVILLE INVITATIONAL

The Vikings won the team title last Saturday



Mount Horeb's girls gymnastics team won the Platteville Invitational last Saturday. Photo submitted

with 138.70 points, while Dodgeville/Highland/Iowa-Grant/Mineral Point was second with 134.75. Baraboo (134.05), Sauk Prairie (134.0) and Southwestern/Cuba City/Benton/Darlington (130.75) rounded out the top-five at

the 10-team meet.

"Our team really pulled together," Koller Faust said. "Having an early morning bus ride to Platteville the day after our meet in Baraboo wasn't easy, but our gymnasts were amazing. There's always tough competition at

the Platteville Invite — both team-wise and individually — and our team sure didn't disappoint!"

Athena Ouradnik was third in the all-around with a 35.725, while Sylviah Seeliger was seventh (34.90).

On the vault, Ouradnik

was fourth (8.80), Seeliger was fifth (8.65), Edie Balster was seventh (8.45) and Abbey Brummer scored an 8.30.

Seeliger was sixth on the uneven bars (8.55) and Ouradnik was 10th (8.30). The Vikings also counted scores

from Tess Angle (8.20) and Reece Olinger (8.125).

Ouradnik was fourth on the balance beam (9.225), while Seeliger was fifth (9.20), Olinger was ninth (8.95) and Angle posted an 8.425.

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Vikings send 3 wrestlers to sectionals

Maier, Leonard and Bureson advance through regionals

by **ROB REISCHEL**
Sports Editor

Mount Horeb’s advanced three wrestlers through the Oregon Regional last Saturday.

Eli Maier (32-5) placed first at 157 pounds, while Eli Leonard was first at 165. Nick Bureson also qualified after finishing fourth at 120.

That trio will now compete at the Mukwonago Sectional on Saturday beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Here’s a recap of the Vikings’ day.

120 — Nick Bureson (4-22) placed 4th and scored 11.0 team points.

- Quarterfinal - Bureson won by fall over Hannah Wojtysiak (Sun Prairie East/West) 3-5 (Fall 2:19)
- Semifinal - Logan Steffen (Oregon) 33-11 won by fall over Bureson (Fall 0:15)
- 3rd Place Match - Daniel Hernandez (Verona Area) 21-24 won by fall over Bureson (Fall 3:14)
- 4th Place Match - Bureson won by no contest over Hannah Wojtysiak (Sun Prairie East/West) 3-5 (NC)

126 — Timmy Kruse (11-21) placed 6th and scored 3.0 team points.

- Quarterfinal - Jack Ireland (Sun Prairie East/West) 36-13 won by decision over Kruse (Dec 8-1)
- Cons. Semi - Kruse received a bye
- 5th Place Match - Lukas Hartberg (Stoughton) 18-19 won by decision over Kruse (Dec 10-8)

138 — Marcus Sevilla (11-17) placed 5th and

scored 9.0 team points.

- Quarterfinal - Sevilla won by fall over Gabe Long (Verona Area) 10-16 (Fall 3:04)
- Semifinal - Brennan Hoffman (Sun Prairie East/West) 40-8 won by fall over Sevilla (Fall 0:49)
- 3rd Place Match - Anders Gausman-Hernanson (Stoughton) 14-15 won by fall over Sevilla (Fall 2:31)

144 — Finn Herrman (4-14) place is unknown and scored 0.0 team points.

- Quarterfinal - Carson Bremmer (Verona Area) 38-9 won by fall over Herrman (Fall 3:01)
- Cons. Semi - Kaleb Klitzman (Oregon) 4-17 won by fall over Herrman (Fall 2:00)

150 — Ryan Errthum (17-16) placed 5th and scored 9.0 team points.

- Quarterfinal - Ethan Bilau (Fort Atkinson) 24-16 won in sudden victory - 1 over Errthum (SV-1 9-7)
- Cons. Semi - Errthum won by fall over Andres Albino (Madison La Follette) 2-7 (Fall 3:15)
- 5th Place Match - Errthum won by fall over Landon Schult (Oregon) 5-24 (Fall 5:48)
- 4th Place Match - Ethan Bilau (Fort Atkinson) 24-16 won by no contest over Errthum (NC)

157 — Eli Maier (32-5) placed 1st and scored 25.0 team points.

- Quarterfinal - Maier received a bye
- Semifinal - Maier won by major decision over Rayhan Lopez (Fort Atkinson) 27-11 (MD 11-0)



- 1st Place Match - Maier won by fall over Dylan Muehlenberg (Sun Prairie East/West) 36-15 (Fall 1:14)

165 — Eli Leonard (41-1) placed 1st and scored 25.5 team points.

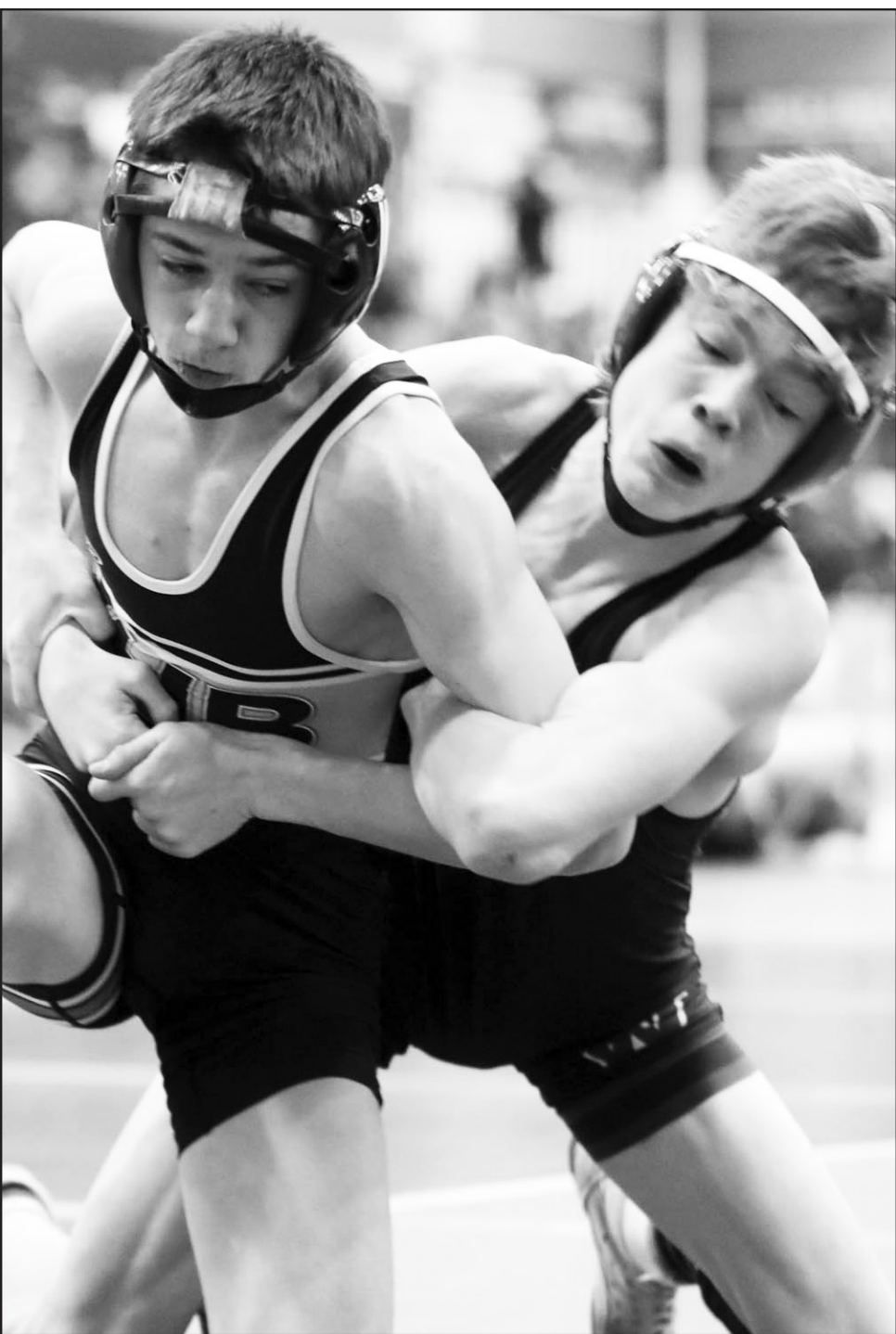
- Quarterfinal - Leonard received a bye
- Semifinal - Leonard won by fall over Colten Ballweg (Monona Gr/McFarland) 7-15 (Fall 1:06)
- 1st Place Match - Leonard won by tech fall over Brett Burrs (Verona Area) 32-11 (TF-1.5 3:48 (20-4))

215 — Levi Maier (26-16) placed 5th and scored 9.0 team points.

- Quarterfinal - Maier won by fall over Nick Filandrinos (Verona Area) 23-16 (Fall 2:59)
- Semifinal - Jaxon Johnson (Sun Prairie East/West) 42-5 won by fall over Maier (Fall 1:35)

285 — Dylin Randle (3-13) placed 6th and scored 5.0 team points.

- Quarterfinal - Brevi Roth (Monona Gr/McFarland) 12-11 won by fall over Randle (Fall 3:08)
- Cons. Semi - Randle won by fall over Adam Thao (Verona Area) 12-14 (Fall 0:34)



Mount Horeb’s Ryan Errthum (top) finished fifth at sectionals at 150 pounds, while Timmy Kruse (above) was sixth at 126 pounds. Photos courtesy of Mary Langenfeld



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Mount Horeb lands No. 9 seed

Vikings begin postseason with trip to Delavan-Darien

by **ROB REISCHEL**
Sports Editor

The seeding process was no surprise, really. Now, Mount Horeb’s girls basketball team hopes to pull off a few surprises.

The Vikings earned the No. 9 seed in their WIAA Division 2 sectional. Mount Horeb will travel to eighth-seeded Delavan-Darien for a regional quarterfinal on Feb. 20.

If the Vikings pull off an upset there, they’ll head to top-seeded McFarland for a regional semifinal on Feb. 23. The regional finals are Feb. 24.

Mount Horeb is coming off a week in which it dropped two of three games and fell to 7-15 overall and 5-8 in the Badger Small Conference.

Here’s a recap of the Vikings’ week:

• **Barneveld 51, Mount Horeb 36** — Courtney Monroe had 13 points to lead the Vikings, but it wasn’t nearly enough as Mount Horeb suffered a tough loss on Feb. 6.

“I don’t want to take anything away from Barneveld, but it was disappointing for me how we handled the game mentally,” Mount Horeb coach Bart Leibfried said. “We let a great crowd and student section get into our heads and not allow us to execute the game plan on both ends of the floor.”

Mount Horeb managed just 12 first half points. Thanks to tremendous defense, though, the Vikings were within 16-12 at the break.

Mount Horeb never could get rolling in the second half either, though, and suffered a disappointing loss. The Vikings finished the night with 21 turnovers that led to 16 Barneveld points.

“This was a great high school atmosphere,” Leibfried said of traveling to Barneveld. “We couldn’t execute on the defensive end on how to defend ball screens or how to handle a really good player who is left-handed.

“On the offensive end we didn’t execute ... or handle their physical pressure so it made it hard to score. These local games with big crowds should and are fun. I hope we can learn to embrace that and rise to the occasion in the future.”

• **McFarland 64, Mount Horeb 42** — Courtney Monroe had 12 points in a losing effort, while Morgan Monroe added 10 last Thursday.

McFarland, which is now 18-5 overall and has clinched the Badger Small Conference championship at 12-0, put three players in double figures.

The Vikings dug a huge early hole and trailed, 45-7, at halftime. Mount Horeb shot just 2-of-25 in the first half (8.0%) and had only one assist.

“Once again we did not carry out what we had worked on in practice or what the game plan was before the game,” Leibfried said.

The good news for Mount Horeb is it regrouped and played a much better second half. There, the Vikings shot a far more respectable 14-of-37 (37.8%) and had 11 assists.

“Our staff went into the locker room at half time and reiterated the things things we wanted to do on offense and the three things we wanted to do on defense and outscored them 37-19 in the second half,” Leibfried said. “We have to learn how to mentally carry out a game plan and not feel pressured by a loud crowd.”

The highlight of the night came when McFarland’s senior manager entered the game and scored a basket to start the second half. Mount Horeb’s girls also donated 24 boxes of cereal to McFarland’s Cereal Food Drive.

“There were a lot of tears in the eyes of fans and coaches,” Leibfried said of the Spartans’ manager scoring a basket. “A lot of life lessons were learned that night, which is way more important than the actual game itself.”

• **Mount Horeb 61, Portage 29** — The Vikings erupted and outscored the Warriors, 42-14, in the second half last Saturday and cruised to an important conference win.

Morgan Monroe led Mount Horeb with 20 points, while Hallie Klein added 12.

“This last week was the toughest week of the year for us in the locker room,” Leibfried said. “I hope the girls learned and are willing to make the necessary changes in the last week of the regular season.”



Ella Fager and Mount Horeb’s girls basketball team received the No. 9 seed in their sectional. Photo courtesy of Mary Langenfeld

Mount Horeb certainly made some positive changes during its win over Portage.

The Warriors frustrated the Vikings during a first half that had Mount Horeb clinging to a 19-15 lead at the break.

“Portage sits back in a 2-3 zone and wants you to launch quick 3-pointers early in the possession from the outside, which we did in the first half,” Leibfried said. “In the first half, our staff really tried to be hands off to see if the girls could figure it out and when we went into the locker room only up 19-15 at half they understood what we had to do.

“They allowed us to coach them and get the ball into the teeth of the zone at the high post and short corner for inside scores and inside out 3-pointers.”

And that’s exactly what Mount Horeb did in the second half.

There, the Vikings shot 50.0%, got 12 second chance points on offensive rebounds and had multiple possessions where the ball touched the post and got kicked out for great perimeter looks.

“I was proud how they allowed us to coach them and then made the changes on the court,” Leibfried said. “We also challenged the girls to stop reaching

and just apply physical disciplined ball pressure, which they did and it resulted in multiple turnovers for Portage.”

• **On deck:** The Vikings hosted New Glarus Monday, then host Reedsburg Thursday at 7:15 p.m. before the postseason arrives

next week.

“We have two really good teams in New Glarus and Reedsburg with two players who have both scored over 2,000 points in their high school careers,” Leibfried said. “So the challenge is definitely there to step up as a team.”

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by ROB REISCHEL
Sports Editor

Mount Horeb's Angus Best and Charles Olson both qualified for the WIAA Division 1 state meet, which will be held Friday at Waukesha South High School beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Best will compete in the 100-yard freestyle and the 200-yard freestyle, while Olson earned a trip to state in the 50-yard freestyle.

Best is the seventh-seed in the 100-freestyle after finishing in fourth place at the McFarland Sectional last Saturday. Best is also the No. 14 seed in the 200-freestyle after finishing fourth at sectionals.

Olson is the 15th-seed in the 50-freestyle after finishing sixth at sectionals.

Mount Horeb, which has just five swimmers, also had the following finishes at sectionals:

- Olson was 10th in the 100-yard butterfly.
- Carter Craven was 12th in the 50-yard freestyle and 12th in the 100-yard breaststroke.
- John Malin was 17th in the 100-yard breaststroke and 31st in the 50-yard freestyle.
- Caden Sadkovich was 16th in the 100-yard back-

MOUNT HOREB ROUNDUP

stroke and 34th in the 50-yard freestyle.

- The 200-yard freestyle relay team of Olson, Craven, Malin and Best was eighth.

HOCKEY

Sauk Prairie's co-op hockey team received the No. 9 seed in its sectional and traveled to eighth-seeded Sun Prairie Tuesday for a WIAA Division 1 regional semifinal.

If the Eagles prevailed, they'd travel to top-seeded Madison Edgewood for a regional final Friday at 7 p.m.

The sectional semifinals are Feb. 20 and the sectional finals are Feb 23 at 7 p.m. at Sun Prairie Ice Arena.

Sauk Prairie — which also consists of players from Mount Horeb, Barneveld, Wisconsin Heights and River Valley — entered postseason play with a 15-9 record following a 7-3 loss to Monroe in its regular season finale.

In that contest, Monroe scored six straight goals to turn a 2-1 deficit into a 7-2 lead.

Colin Harrington, Connor Grant and Landon Frosese all had goals for Sauk Prairie. Brock Hill had two assists, while Garret Mittelsteadt, Samson Begalske and Karsyn Banta each had one assist.



Mount Horeb swimmers Angus Best (top, left) and Charles Olson (above) both qualified for the WIAA Division 2 state meet, which will be held Friday night at Waukesha South High School. Photos courtesy of Mary Langenfeld

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February 19, 2023
Vermont Town Hall
4017 County Rd JJ
Black Earth WI 53515
6:00 - 7:00 P.M.

1. Call to order and certification of notice posting
2. Approval of agenda
3. Review Black Earth/Mazomanie Fire District Study from 2018
4. Discuss 2014 County effort to dispatch closest available unit
5. EMS - Review of Call Data & Locations
6. Consider Act 12 Innovation Grant Opportunity
7. Consideration of next steps for further communication and preparation for next meeting
8. Determine date/time of next meeting
9. Adjournment

*There may be 3 or more board supervisors from the participating municipalities in attendance.

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TOWN OF BLUE MOUNDS PUBLIC HEARING MARCH 11, 2024

The Board of Supervisors for the Town of Blue Mounds will hold a public hearing on the above date at 7 p.m. at the Blue Mounds Town Hall, 10566 Blue Vista Rd., Blue Mounds, WI 53517. This will be part of the regularly scheduled monthly Meeting.

The purpose of this hearing is to take action on a rezone request made by Steve and Jennifer Addison to combine parcels, create a new residential lot and bring the remainder into current Town zoning. Also, the Board is to take action on a rezone request made by Paul Markhardt, Markhardt Properties to combine parcels, create two new residential lots and bring the remainder into current Town zoning. Copies of the proposed ordinances are available at the Blue Mounds Town Hall. Additional information regarding this hearing will be posted at the Blue Mounds Town Hall no later than 3/7/2024.

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In The Matter of THE ESTATE OF:
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Notice to Creditors
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Case No. 24-PR-19

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1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 01/30/1932 and date of death 10/26/2023, was domiciled in Dane County, State of Wisconsin with a mailing address of 210 Golf View Drive, Mt. Horeb, WI 53572.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 05/10/2024.
5. A claim may be filed at the Dane County Courthouse, 215 S. Hamilton St., Madison, Wisconsin 53703, Room 1005.

/s/ Benjamin Balk
Deputy Probate Registrar
January 22, 2024

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TOWN OF PRIMROSE

The Town of Primrose Planning Commission meeting for February will take place at 8468 County Road A, Verona WI, on Tuesday, February 20th, 2024, beginning at 7:30pm. The agenda for this meeting 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 CROSS PLAINS

This is to give notice that the Office of Clerk for the Town of Cross Plains will conduct a public test of the DS200 and the Express Vote electronic voting equipment on February 15, 2024 at 5:45 p.m., at 3734 County P, the Community Center. This is in accordance with Section 5.84(1) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Nancy Meinholz, Clerk

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TOWN OF CROSS PLAINS
LOCATION AND HOURS OF POLLING PLACE

Notice is hereby given of a Spring Primary Election for residents of the Town of Cross Plains **WHO LIVE IN THE MIDDLETON CROSS PLAINS AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT ONLY!** Said Election will be held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at the Community Center, 3734 County Road P, Cross Plains. The polls will be open at 7:00 a.m. and will close at 8:00 p.m. They are accessible to all. If you have questions concerning the polling place contact the Town Clerk, Nancy Meinholz at 798-0189 or tcpclerk@townofcrossplains.wi.gov.

Nancy Meinholz, Clerk

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GYMNASTS

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And on the floor, Ouradnik was second (9.40), Brummer was seventh (9.10) and Mount Horeb also counted scores from Tessa Soppe (8.525) and Seeliger (8.50).

“Again, we had several season-best scores, which proves that we continue to be on the right track,” Koller Faust said. “Keeping our gymnasts sharp, healthy and continuing with productive practices and with positive mindsets will be key to a strong, safe and rewarding next few weeks.”

MOUNT HOREB 135.65, BARABOO 134.55

Ouradnik was second in the all-around to power the Vikings past the Thunderbirds last Friday.

Balster was second on the vault (8.85), while Ouradnik was third (8.775). Mount Horeb also counted scores

from Seeliger (8.50) and Harper Hendrickson (8.4). Ouradnik was second on the uneven bars (8.50), while Mount Horeb also counted scores from Seeliger (8.15), Angle (7.75) and Olinger (7.575). Ouradnik was first on the beam (9.30), while Olinger was third (8.675), and Seeliger (8.375) and Hendrickson (8.10) both posted scores that counted.

And on the floor exercise, Ouradnik was first (9.225), Brummer was third (9.10), and both Angle (8.5) and Carmen Oglesby (7.10) had scores that counted.

“We knew going in that Baraboo has a strong team and it would be an intense competition,” Koller Faust said. “Several of our gymnasts did earn season-best scores, which was exciting and rewarding, but we did have some uncharacteristic slips on bars, beam and floor.”



Athena Ouradnik (top) and Tess Angle (above) helped Mount Horeb’s girls gymnastics team win the Platteville Invite last Saturday. Photos courtesy of Holly Stoenner

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VILLAGE OF MOUNT HOREB

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Mount Horeb, WI 53572

The Village of Mount Horeb will receive sealed bids for the referenced project until **11:00 A.M., Friday, March 1, 2024**, at the Village Office, 138 East Main Street, Mount Horeb, Wisconsin 53572. At that time, bids will be opened and read aloud.

Bids are to be addressed to the Village of Mount Horeb, ATTN: Village Clerk, Mount Horeb Village Hall, 138 East Main Street, Mount Horeb, Wisconsin 53572, and shall be marked “Sealed Bid – CONTRACT 24-100, 2024 STREET IMPROVEMENTS.”

A complete set of the PDF Electronic Contract Documents may be obtained by contacting Josh Bilau of SmithGroup at Josh.Bilau@smithgroup.com. Plans may not be picked up at the SmithGroup office as the Contract Documents (Plans and Specifications) are **NOT** pre-printed.)

Plans for the work will be available as PDF electronically from SmithGroup on or after February 15, 2024.

Plans for the work are on file for inspection at the Village Office, 138 East Main Street, Mount Horeb on or after February 15, 2024.

Plan Holders are required to provide an e-mail address to receive addenda and other information electronically. Plan Holders are required to designate whether they are a prime contractor, subcontractor, or supplier, which will be posted on the project Plan Holders List.

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The project engineer contact is Heather Brose at SmithGroup, 44 East Mifflin, Suite 500, Madison, Wisconsin 53703, (608)327-4443 or Heather.Brose@smithgroup.com.

The Village of Mount Horeb reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any technicality, and to accept any bid that it deems advantageous. All bids shall remain subject to acceptance for forty-five (45) days after the time set for bid opening. The Contract award shall be made based on the lowest responsive and responsible Bidder.

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added 21 to power the Vikings past the Eagles.

“This was a nice game for us and our last game against a team with a winning record,” Nesheim said. “We needed to play well and I thought in the second half we did just that.”

Mount Horeb raced to a 13-3 lead, but let the visiting Eagles creep back within 30-27 by halftime.

“I felt that we were a little soft defensively,” Nesheim said of Mount Horeb’s first half. “They seemed to be getting good penetration and luckily missed some good three point looks. We needed to try to tighten up the gaps.

“I was pleased with our rebounding, as we held an 18-11 lead. I was also really pleased with our transition offense, especially early in the game. We have been working on setting some early on balls to try and get the defense to defend that before setting up. I thought we executed that well.”

The Vikings’ execution was even better in the second half.

Mount Horeb began the half on a 23-11 run and pushed its lead to 53-38. The Vikings scored on 12 of 16 possessions and tightened up on the defensive end.

Vorwald was especially impressive in this segment, draining three 3-pointers and displaying some impressive moves around the rim.

Mount Horeb eventually pushed its lead to 65-42 and coasted home.

• **Mount Horeb 65, Madison Edgewood 49** — Nick Vorwald had another terrific game, leading the Vikings with 26 points. Josh Manchester added 18 points and Zach Maguire had 10,

“After having their head coach fired in (December), Edgewood looks like it’s found itself a bit and are competitive now in most games,” Nesheim said of a Crusaders team that’s just 4-16 overall.

Edgewood was certainly competitive in the first half and trailed just 28-26 at the break.

Manchester, Maguire and Chris Kiel all had two first half fouls and spent significant time on the bench. That allowed the Crusaders to finish the half in a 10-4 run and close within 28-26 at halftime.

“I thought we survived their energy and our foul trouble,” Nesheim said. “I also thought we had good energy so it wasn’t that they played harder. However, we thought we were the better team and just needed to get back to full strength and maybe we could pull away.”

And that’s exactly what happened.

The Vikings pushed their lead to 47-39 midway through the second half. Vorwald and Manchester combined for 15 of Mount Horeb’s 19 points in that segment.

Mount Horeb then went on a 12-0 run, stretched its lead to 59-39 and largely ended things. Vorwald was sensational in that stretch with seven points, while Maguire had a three-point play and Griffin Hannah had a basket.

“This was part two of the three game week and first on the road,” Nesheim said. “After a close first half, it was nice to see our guys dig in defensively and do a better job on the boards. We also had to play with foul trouble and our bench guys were able to come in and do some good things.”

• **Mount Horeb 72, Watertown 53** — Josh Manchester erupted for 26 points and Nick Vorwald added 15 as the Vikings posted a comfortable road win last Saturday.

“I was worried about a slow start being the third game this week with two on the road,” Nesheim said.

Turns out, there wasn’t much to worry about.

Junior Owen Aeschlimann knocked down two early 3-pointers as Mount Horeb jumped to a 19-10 lead. Aeschlimann hit another triple before the half ended as the Vikings took a 31-22 lead to the break.

“I continued to worry about energy in the second half, but thought the first half was successful,” Nesheim said. “I challenged the kids to give a



Josh Manchester (top), Nick Vorwald (above) and Mount Horeb’s boys basketball team have won five straight games. Photos courtesy of Mary Langenfeld

little more ball pressure. They were running some weave action which we anticipated, so we would continue to switch that action.”

Manchester then went wild in the second half, scoring 23 of his 26 points after intermission. Vorwald also added a pair

of 3-pointers and the Vikings increased their lead to 56-38 by the 9-minute mark.

“We were able to clear the bench and give some guys some time down the stretch,” Nesheim said.

• **On deck:** The Vikings were at McFarland

Tuesday, then host Portage Friday at 7:15 p.m. Mount Horeb will learn its postseason seed on Sun-

day, then finish the regular season Feb. 22 by hosting Reedsburg at 7:15 p.m.

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