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Town board debates ATV use

Motion dies for lack of a second

By Steve Matyas
Mount Horeb Mail

A spirited discussion was held at the Springdale Town Board meeting on October 15 regarding the opening of the town's streets to ATV traffic.

Attendees at the meeting voiced differing opinions on the matter, with some citing noise, congestion at highway crossings, safety concerns, questions about speed limits and enforcement, and the alleged lack of obvious benefits to the town as reasons to oppose the measure. "Who will benefit?" one town resident inquired. "The bars?" Other residents

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CIA officer to speak at local library

Christina Hillsberg (right) a former CIA intelligence officer, will speak at the Mt. Horeb Public Library Thursday, October 24 at 6:30 p.m. Hear what life in the CIA is really like, especially for women. While at the Central Intelligence Agency, she wrote analytic assessments for the President, his Cabinet, and other senior-level policymakers. She later worked in the CIA's Directorate of Operations, clandestinely collecting intelligence from the field.

Hillsberg is also the author of *License to Parent: How My Career as a Spy Helped Me Raise Resourceful, Self-Sufficient Kids* and the forthcoming *Agents of Change: The Women who Transformed the CIA*. This program is co-sponsored by GrandStay Hotel and Suites. For more information about the library, its programs and services, visit www.mhpl.org or call 608-437-5021.



Candidates Pellebon and Agard in their own words

Winner will replace Jamie Kuhn as Dane County Executive





Dana Pellebon (left) and Melissa Agard (right) are running for Dane County Executive on November 5.

Dana Pellebon is a community activist that has been working as an executive in various spaces her adult life. She is the Executive Director of RCC Sexual Violence Resource Center in Dane County and also coordinates community partnerships for countywide sexual assault victim services through the Sexual Assault Response Team, the Commission on Sensitive Crimes, and the Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence Coordinated Community Response Team. She has served on the Board of Directors for Domestic Abuse Intervention Services, OutReach LGBTQ+ Center, Little John's, Urban Triage, Freedom Inc, and WorldBuilders. She has extensive experience working with persons experiencing homelessness through her work as the former Director of Housing and Operations at Porchlight. And, extensive experience in affordable housing as a reginal property manager of affordable housing units throughout south central WI and Milwaukee. She was the co-owner of the music venue The Frequency. Her activism extends to all aspects of her life including art. She is a theater professional and has directed, acted, and produced theatrical works regionally and in New York. She is the principal of the Madison Theatre Collective. She was part of the team to bring the Center for Black Excellence and Culture to life. She is a former Dane County Supervisor for District 33 in Fitchburg with her term ending in April of 2024.

State Senator Melissa Agard is a Dane County native who proudly graduated from Madison East High School and the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Senator Agard is a single mom to four sons, residing on Madison's Northside.

Before diving into politics, she owned a small business and worked in the private sector. Her care for the community and a vision for a better Wisconsin

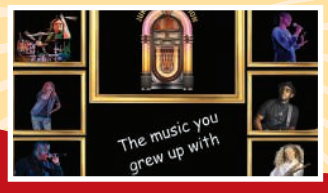
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Student spotlight shines on Carter Dorsey



Pictured from left to right are Mrs. Gina Arneson, Mrs. Alana Dorsey, Ms. Hannah Severson, Mrs. Jessica Walker, Mr. Christopher Dorsey, and proud big sister Rylan. Front Row (left to right): Associate Superintendent for Business and Finance, Mr. Scott DeYoung, and Board of Education Treasurer,/K-2 Board Liaison, Mrs. Leah Lipska, Carter (our celebrant) Principal Rachael Johnson, Mrs. Nicole Tepe (4K Coordinator and School Psychologist), and brother Jesse. Photo contributed.

The Mount Horeb Area Board of Education kicked off this year's slate of "outstanding Vikings" with Carter Dorsey. Dorsey was selected by the Primary Center staff because, as Principal Johnson told the board, "Carter has worked so hard to be respectful, responsible, and ready since the school year started. She knows her routine and follows it to a tee and has taken on even more responsibility as a second grader. If she has a question about something changing (which happens a lot at the beginning of the year as we learn a new schedule), she asks calmly and respectfully. She is a patient partner to other students in her class, and reminds them in a kind way when they are off track or are not following the group plan. Lastly, she consistently participates in class, not only sharing straightforward answers to questions, but also makes really strong connections with prior learning and things in her own life."

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Grants given to library, police and Agape

By Erin Herndon
Mount Horeb Mail

The Utility Commission awarded community grants to the library, the police department and Agape Christian Preschool (ACP). The Commission met for their monthly meeting October 8, where they awarded the grants and voted to elect Ed Glover as commission secretary and reelected Jack Temby as president. They also received updates from the Electric Department, Water Department, and Wastewater Department heads and approved their Sept. 2024 finances and minutes from their Sept. 10 meeting.

Since 2013, the Mount Horeb Utilities Commission in partnership with power supplier WPPI Energy, has annually awarded $1500 to eligible organizations serving the Mount Horeb community. According to the 2024 Community Funds Grant Application, three $500 awards were available to any non-profit organization located in Mount Horeb and serving the Mount Horeb community at large.

"In the past, we've tried to divide it up each year so we don't end up giving money to the same organization if there are multiple requests," Commission President Jack Temby said. "Traditionally it's been in blocks of three $500 grants."

Village Administrator Nic Owen shared his findings in response to inquiries about previous funding provided to applicants.

"The Optimist Club received funding in 2022, PFLAG received it in 2023 and this is the first application for Agape," Owen said. "Additionally, Wednesday Night Live was last funded in 2019, the library, in 2021, and this is the first application from the police department."

The Commission considered applicant requests and upon a motion from citizen member Ken Scott, ultimately moved to award grants to the Mount Horeb Public Library, Agape Christian Preschool (ACP) and the Mount Horeb Police Department.

The three entities each described their specific needs within their grant applications. According to their submission, ACP recently purchased a stable, new outdoor toy shed to replace their old, dilapidated structure and would use the funds to offset the costs. The library plans to use their grant money to fund presenter fees for an Indigenous People of Wisconsin spring program series. Finally, the police department's application covered plans to fund emergency preparedness items including upgraded radio communication and laminated maps to assist in emergency planning or response.

"The requests from the police, the library and Agape seemed the most specific to me," Scott said. "They sound like they have specifically unusual, one-time needs that came up."

The Utility Commission next meets Nov. 12 at 7:00 p.m.

Department heads give utility updates

Mount Horeb Utilities department heads updated the Utility Commission on their September and October activities

By Erin Herndon
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Electric Department Report

Electric Superintendent Jordan Schmitz presented his report for Sept. 2024. According to the report, five outages occurred and three new underground services were initiated in September. Eight new services are planned for the cottages on Lillehammer Lane along with a three-phase extension on Springdale Street. Schmitz said there have been a number of new jobs to get things in the ground before the frost hits but that the most significant news of the moment is a move to create a mobile app to improve communication efforts with customers.

"Fifty-six percent of the customers would like to get an outage notification via a mobile app," Schmitz said. "Fifty-four percent said they would actually track it through the outage and one of our guys would respond, and it'll actually end up helping our crew too."

Schmitz said the budgeted cost for the OMS (order management system) will be $9000. Additionally, the mobile app will have an initial fee to WPPI of $4000 to connect with all of the meters in the area followed by a $5000 maintenance fee every year to continue the service's capabilities. He said the OMS will be able to record data including meter outages and the affected area, while also allowing back and forth with customers to expedite repairs.

"If you're able to go on the mobile app and say that you just saw a squirrel get zapped on 4th street, I know exactly where to go and that just cut an hour of my outage time down," Schmitz said.

The Commission unanimously voted to move forward with the project and Schmitz said he hopes the app will be live by fall 2025.

Water Department Report

Village Administrator Nic Owen presented the report on behalf of Water Superintendent Josh Hyndman, who was said to be attending a fire department teaching event. Owen said the most significant item to report was a water main break at Mount Horeb High School.

"They dug down and didn't find the leak, but they put in a new valve. They're going to be redoing [Hwy] 92 and we're going to be doing some water work there, so when we do that project they won't have to shut off the high school," Owen said. "Unfortunately on Monday, a car found the water main break in a sinkhole, but there was minimal damage and no injuries."

According to Hyndman's September report, the water department additionally upgraded nearly 200 water meters to the new read system and repaired two water shut offs. The department will be flushing water hydrants from Sept. 30 - Oct. 25 and the report stated that running water will be visible on the Village's streets.

Wastewater Department Report

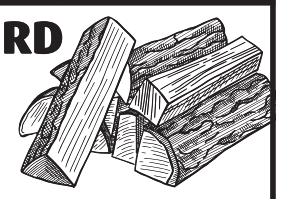
The meeting wrapped up with Wastewater Superintendent Michael Brace sharing details from his Sept. 2024 report.

"Throughout the month, we were able to clean 3000 feet and televise 8000 feet of our sanitary system," Brace said. "When we're out cleaning and televising, we generate these reports that inform us on their condition and help us prioritize where the next attention needs to be paid."

Brace said the Wastewater Department completed 32 manhole inspections. He said this action puts the department ahead of pace to meet their 10% goal outlined in their CMOM or "capacity, management, operations, and maintenance" program, which according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, is a flexible, dynamic framework for municipalities to identify and incorporate widely accepted wastewater industry practices.

According to the report, the wastewater treatment facility is operating well below permitted limits. Additionally, staff inspected and load-tested five lift station generators, drained and cleaned anaerobic zones in the east ditch and hydro-excavated around a high-pressure gas line on North 8th Street.

The next Utility Commission meeting occurs Nov. 12 at 7:00 p.m.

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Quilt guild announces local charities it will donate to

We are pleased to inform the community that proceeds from our summer quilt raffle will be awarded to the following charities:

CEDAR Center and Snap Dragon Farm and Stables, dedicated to mental health and wellness in our area through the use of therapy animals;

MH Police Department, a financial gift towards acquiring a new service dog;

Neighbors Helping Neighbors, local help with clothing and food;

The Giving Tree, financial gifts during the holidays;

The Sewing Project, a Madison based nonprofit supplying new and used sewing machines to areas in need in the US and around the world.

Sue Retzlaff,
Hands All Around

White backs Grabe for Assembly seat

Dear editor,

I serve with Elizabeth Grabe on Mount Horeb's Sustainability and Natural Resource Committee and have come to know her passion for protecting our shared environment. I recognize and applaud her support of local businesses and young people on behalf of the local Rotary Club. I appreciate her candor and intellect, traits that are so often missing from candidates vying for political office. I know of her commitment to increased State public school funding. (Our School District must once again ask citizens to approve another referendum, this year for a much-needed new Early Learning Center.)

I applaud Elizabeth's stance on protecting the freedom for reproductive choice and health care. Elizabeth is an avid hunter who knows that common sense gun laws can save lives. And I am in awe of Elizabeth's energy and tenacity, crisscrossing the 1600 square mile 51st Assembly District, talking to people in communities large and small, suburban and rural. Hers is truly a people's campaign.

Her opponent promotes himself as being able to work across the aisle, yet he continually votes his party's line. He has voted with his Republican cohorts 100 percent of the time. He sponsored bills which would restrict a woman's choice to choose abortion, regardless of circumstance. And what do those closest to him think of his governance? It is telling that in the Spring election, he was defeated as Mayor of Dodgeville, receiving just 26 percent of the vote!

I will proudly be supporting Elizabeth Grabe for Assembly on November 5. Join me in electing excellence to the State Legislature.

Sincerely,
Tim White,
Mount Horeb

Rachael Johnson: The needs of our youngest learners

Fall Greetings MHASD Community,

It is an honor to serve the Mount Horeb Area School District (MHASD) as the principal of our kindergarten, first, and second-graders in a community that I love. Once again, we are off to a great start to the school year thanks to all of the hard-working professionals that surround me, the amazing children we get to serve each day, and the fantastic community that supports us.

During my 18 years with MHASD, I have been fortunate to watch our community rally around the needs recognized by our outstanding Board of Education thanks to their extensive studies and fiscally responsible decision-making. I am extremely thankful that the District's electorate has shown trust in our schools, as we made thoughtful and intentional fiscal requests; trusting the District with their tax dollars after an extensive planning and problem-solving process.

During my years in the District, we have surveyed the community several times, developed and facilitated facility steering committees, and also opened our doors to the public multiple times to show/discuss the Early Learning Center's (ELC) needs: aging building systems and infrastructure, inadequate educational and support spaces, along with the building's safety and accessibility concerns.

The staff at the ELC have and will continue to overcome variables that have been out of our control, but I thought it would be helpful to share a few examples with you:

-Teaching spaces are almost half the size of the industry's current square-footage-per-student recommendation.

-Structural and building layout challenges leave the ELC as the only District facility without a secured vestibule as part of a secured entry system.

-In the past two years, we have had to cancel events due to extreme heat conditions while also developing and launching contingency plans to bring the kindergartners to the Primary Center during the learning days when the heat and humidity were at unsafe levels.

-It is difficult to find available spaces throughout the day to host confidential parent meetings and have several staff using one very small space to support the mental health and well-being of students due to the lack of conference and individual/small group counseling spaces.

If you are interested in learning more about the current needs of the Early Learning Center, please visit our District webpage, www.mounthorebschools.org.

The "ask" of the MHASD community on the November 5 ballot is to allocate funds to construct an addition to the renovated Primary Center. The addition would include kindergarten classrooms, a fully secured entry system, small group and conference room spaces, and a gymnasium sized to support two regulation athletic courts. The Early Learning Center would be razed to improve exterior safety on our school grounds and improve traffic flow while providing new outdoor play space for our K-2 students. More information regarding the facility referendum question along with a conceptual model of the proposed addition to the Primary Center can be found on our district's webpage or by using the QR code at the bottom of this letter.

I am thankful and humbled to work alongside a group of teaching and support professionals who continue to find creative and innovative ways to serve and support our littlest Vikings when the physical space, building accessibility and aging systems are unable to match their great work.

Thank you for taking the time to learn more about the MHASD facility referendum for our youngest Vikings as you prepare to vote on or before November 5. Please remember that the facility referendum question may be found on the back of the ballot in some municipalities!

With Viking Pride,
Rachael Johnson,
MHASD K-2 Principal

Salerno looks at history of ELC

Dear Vikings,

Let's go back through the mists of time to 1968. Lyndon B. Johnson was President of the United States, a tank of gasoline ran $0.35 per gallon, and the Mount Horeb Area School District opened its newest building. Fast forward to 2024: we are considering our first all-electric bus (thanks to a successful grant), and we are on the precipice of electing our twelfth president since then. Just as a lot in society has changed since 1968, schools have significantly evolved in the 56 years since the Early Learning Center (ELC), our current kindergarten building, was opened.

In a few days, voters will be asked to solve the ELC's **aging systems and infrastructure** by replacing it with an addition to the Primary Center (PC), which currently supports first- and second-graders. A successful $34 million referendum (equating to a projected increase of $0.68 per $1,000 of equalized property value) will also solve for inadequate and obsolete learning and support spaces while meeting increased safety and accessibility needs throughout the District. If you missed last week's message regarding the learning environment, please go to www.mounthorebschools.org and click the red banner atop the webpage.

What does "aging systems and infrastructure" mean?

The ELC, our smallest school building, costs the most to heat per square foot than any other MHASD school building. That is because most of the ventilation and heating system is original to the building. It has exceeded its service life and results in ongoing costly repairs and replacement parts that are increasingly difficult to find.

Most of the Early Learning Center roof needs to be replaced. The community has more than gotten their money out of this roof. We are in "overtime."

The current attempts at cooling through individual window units (in classrooms) and barn fans (in the hallways) are inefficient and inadequate. In fact, due to condensation buildup on the hallway tiles, a significant safety issue arises.

Substantial repairs are needed to the building's exterior (including walls, lighting, sidewalks, and soffits).

Why not just renovate the Early Learning Center?

The cost of erecting a kindergarten building alongside the historic PC is slightly more expensive than gutting and refurbishing the entire ELC building; however, an ELC renovation would not address deficiencies in the learning environment or solve inefficiencies in how district students and personnel use the building. No matter how beautiful the feathers you place on a turkey, you will not turn it into a peacock. Not to mention, there are significant staffing inefficiencies with operating two separate buildings; despite their proximity, it still takes time for staff to travel up/down the hill – especially in winter – which prevents them from serving children.

Would you like more information?

Please listen to a podcast that has been developed for the expressed purpose of sharing more information about the District's efforts to solve our aging building systems and infrastructure. Please search "Youngest Learners Referendum Podcast" wherever you listen to your favorite podcasts. While there, you can listen to other referendum-related podcasts;

Give me a call at 608-437-7010. I am always happy to speak with you.

Come to one of our remaining open houses scheduled for Saturday, October 26 (9-9:45 a.m.) at the Primary Center's gymnasium; or...

Scan the QR Code at the start of this letter to visit our website, which includes videos and other resources to inform your decision.

Next week, we will share one more important facet of the proposed referendum: efforts to improve safety and accessibility. Thank you for the great care with which you will cast your ballot on or before November 5.

Dr. Steve Salerno
Superintendent

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addressed the abundance of young drivers on ATVs who either don't know or disregard rules about speed limits and the wearing of helmets.

Board President John Rosenbaum added his own concerns about safety, saying the town's proximity to Middleton and Madison results in higher traffic levels than are found in similar towns and villages which have approved ATV routes. He further described the number of hills and curves within the town as being problematic.

Board member Wayne Hefty also expressed his opposition to the plan based on safety and noise concerns, and member Richard Schwenn spoke on the possibility of reducing hours of operation from the proposed 5AM to 10PM.

Advocates of the proposal, led by Dave Blumer of the Sugar River ATV Club, pointed out their willingness and success in policing themselves and argued that allowing ATVs would provide enhanced opportunities for people to navigate the town without needing to depend on cars. They expressed the opinion that bicyclists are worse offenders than ATV users, often ignoring signs or riding four abreast on roads, yet they are allowed access.

After hearing testimony, the board closed discussion of the issue when motions to approve were unable to obtain seconds. Further remarks from the audience caused Hefty to snap, "Public comment is closed!"

In other action, the board commended Hefty for his efforts painting the town's garage exterior.

A resolution to exceed the town's levy limit was scheduled to be addressed at a public meeting on November 11.

Work on the salt shed concrete pad was discussed, with it being noted that Bakken Road upgrades are complete and Grimstad Road has been re-graded and is set for placement of the new pad. The work will result, in Rosenbaum's opinion in keeping the nearby creek more "pristine."

Hiring of a new assessor was looked into, with Rosenbaum noting that so far only one bid has been received and recommending the board not proceed until the deadline of November 8 to see if others are received.

A driveway on property located on Spring Rose Road and belonging to Thanos and Margie Tsolis was approved provided culverts are placed where necessary; a second driveway belonging to Linus Hellenbrand and located on Highway J was also granted approval pending verification of compliance to current standards regarding a shared driveway. Hellenbrand told the board that he is involved in stage one of the project and stage two will occur "two-to-three years down the road."

Mt. Horeb Schools Superintendent Dr. Steve Salerno was on hand to discuss the upcoming referendum seeking to raise money for the Primary Center located in Mt. Horeb. Plans to add onto the existing building have been proposed.





















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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sons of Norway to host baking workshop

Sons of Norway - Vennelag will host a special event. The Norwegian Baking Workshop, featuring Lefse, Krumkake, Rosettes, Rommegrot and Heart Waffles - will take place Saturday, November 2 from 9 a.m. to noon.

The event will take place at the Mt. Horeb Community Center.

To register contact Mary Gullickson-Krantz at laffalot@mhtc.net or 608-576-5054.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

Mt. Horeb Seniors shopping trip to Dodgeville, leave 9:30am. RSVP at 608-444-7930

Laura Eyler, a personal chef from Thyme Savor Cuisine, will demonstrate making pumpkin alfredo and mini caramel pies. RSVP 608-437-6902 Limited seating, $10/person. 11:30am-1:00pm. Senior Center

Farmers' Market, 315 E. Main St., lawn of M. H. Evangelical Lutheran Church, 3:00-6:30pm. Seasonal vegetables, fruit and much more.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors, food and clothes closet open 6:00-7:30pm. 102 E. Lincoln St.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

Neighbors Helping Neighbors, Food and clothes closet open 9:00-10:30am and 3:00-4:30pm, 102 E. Lincoln St.

BINGO! Mt. Horeb Senior Center, join us for great prizes, lunch and fun! 12:30pm. Sponsored by John Scheidegger

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

School District Referendum Presentation open house at the Primary Center gymnasium. 9:00am.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors, Food and clothes closet open 10:00-11:30am, 102 E. Lincoln St.

Barn Dance at Forest of Fame Park Shelter in Mount Vernon, 5:00-8:00pm. Live music, dancing, community and food. Family friendly, all ages welcome. Info at prairiebluffmom@gmail.com

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29

Tai Chi, 1:00pm, Senior Center

Ageless Grace, chair exercises, 2:00pm, Senior Center

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30

Fink's Cafe, serving senior meals, 11:00am-1:00pm. Reservation not needed. Suggested donation per meal is $5.

Euchre, Senior Center, 12:30pm

Little Free Pantries available at: New Hope Evangelical Free Church, 639 S. 8th St., Mt. Horeb; Immanuel Lutheran Church, 310 W. Main St., Mt. Horeb; Zwingli UCC, Hwy. 92, Mt. Vernon. Nonperishable food and other necessities available 24 hrs.a day."Take what you need, share what you can."

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

Drama students in One Act Play Festival



Cast and Crew of *The Girl In The White Pinafore*

Back Row (L to R): Ava DesMarais, Ava Burris, Kyra Danz, Lauren Reese, Isabel Pohlman, Lucas Kramer, Trevor Owens, Michael Lease, Caleb Formo, Andrew Formo, Annabelle Paulson, Jalen Kittleson.

Front Row (L to R): Jay Waterbury, Brigham Schauff, Nolan Baryenbruch, Peyton Hill, Trina Saterlee, Morgan Wheeler, Kaiya Meives, Madelynn Froh, Addison Walker, Madison Palzkill, Kimee TeStrake.

On Saturday, the Barneveld Drama Department participated in the WISDAA District 10 One Act Play Festival at Reedsburg Area High School. Barneveld performed The Girl In The White Pinafore by Jiggs Burgess. The play is a cutting of the original full-length play which explores the impacts of the deadly explosion of the school in New London, Texas, in 1937, and the resulting twenty-five year journey of tragedy, grief, guilt, and redemption. Throughout the play, Young Amelia Davis and W.C. Shaw are both haunted by the events of that day but for very different reasons.

Barneveld received advancing scores from all three adjudicators and will next participate in the WISDAA Section III festival at Waunakee Community High School on November 9. In preparation for that festival and to share our play with the local community, the troupe will perform at the Barneveld School Old (Lower) Gymnasium on Thursday, October 31, at 10:00 am, and on Sunday, November 3, at 2:00 pm. Tickets for the performances are $5 for adults and $3 for seniors citizens and students (HS and younger).

Reservations can be made by emailing Mr. Draper at ddraper@barneveld.k12.wi.us or can be purchased at the door.

Dallman to speak at PFLAG meeting

PFLAG Mt. Horeb will host its next meeting on Monday, November 4 from 6-8 p.m. at the Mt. Horeb Public Library Meeting Room. Jess Dallman, a local trauma trained therapist who incorporates nature and equine therapy in their practice, will speak on: "Deep Grounding: LGBTQIA resilience as a guide for difficult times." It is normal to experience anxiety, despair, and/or mental health struggles while social inequity, political tension, and environmental disasters plague news feeds and communities. While people may be facing modern threats as issues, it is not new for the LGBTQIA+ community to be threatened - or to find creative ways through the trials and tribulations. Join this event to "take a step back the day before election day to remember the historical resilience of LGBTQIA+ folx, and the wisdom of community and belonging. We are in this together," said organizers.

Dallman will speak from 6-7 p.m. The remaining hour is reserved for confidential sharing and support.

If you would like to join via Zoom, please RSVP on the PFLAG website (pflagmoho.org) and a link will be sent.

Funding made possible by a grant from the Mt. Horeb Community Foundation. This is not a library sponsored event.

Sugar River Euchre

By Stan Hook

Sugar River Euchre

The Pipe Benders (Jones Plumbing) were handed their first loss of the season by the J&M Bar River Rats. Gordie Miller and Pauly Gehin led the River Rats to a 39 point win scrounging up 110 points. Jerome Krantz and Ryan Arneson were severely bent out of shape by the Rats earning just 80 points for the Benders.

The Kleeman Hay Shakers had another good night in celebration of Barb Judd's 80th birthday. All four Hay Shaker couples exceeded 100 points with Jeff Goebler and Roger Truttman leading the way stacking up 114 points. As for the Sportsman's Bar Cheese Eaters, they managed to get just one couple over 100 points. For the third week in a row, the highest score for the Cheese Eaters was 102 points. The Hay Shakers shredded the Cheese Eaters by 70 points. As a consolation, everyone received a cupcake in honor of Barb's big day.

The Red Mouse Shufflers are debating whether to pay for Dave and Loretta Herfel and Stan Hook's next vacation as in their absence the Shufflers got their first win of the season. With 118 points (this week's high score) recorded by Red Mouse Shufflers Julie Christensen and Randy Skogen, the Shufflers dominated the Norsk Pranksters with an 82 point win. Pranksters Chris Hook and Paul Hodgson bore the brunt of the attack to finish with this week's low score of 69. To add salt to the wound, none of the Pranksters broke 100.

The Viking Trolls are the only team yet to win a match this season. Whereas Kurnik's Express, along with the Kleeman Hay Shakers, remain perfect after the Express forced the Trolls to hide under the bridge with a 43 point deficit. Engineers Tracy Haag and Dave Steinhauer had the second highest score of the week at 117 points.

Standings:

Express 3-0
Kleeman's 3-0
Cowboys 2-1
Jones Plumbing 2-1
Cheese Eaters 1-2
J&M Bar 1-2
Pranksters 1-2
Red Mouse Uff-Da 1-2
Shufflers 1-2
Trolls 0-3

Schedule for Oct. 24

Uff-da @ Express (7:00)
Trolls @ Shufflers (6:30)
Cowboys @ Hay Shakers (7:30)
River Rats @ Pranksters (7:00)
Pipe Benders @ Cheese Eaters (7:00)

OBITUARIES

Norma Jane (Fosshage) Baker

February 6, 1933 – October 14, 2024



MOUNT HOREB - Norma Jane (Fosshage) Baker was reunited with her husband and two daughters in heaven on Monday, October 14, 2024, surrounded by family. She was born on February 6, 1933, in the farmhouse which her great-grandparents built in Blue Mounds Township and where she spent the first 18 years of her life. She was the third child and first born of twins, to John and Irene (Lingard) Fosshage. She attended Mount Horeb Public Schools from kindergarten through 12th grade and graduated with the class of 1951.

Following graduation, Norma was employed by Dr. M. T. Morrison as a doctor's assistant before her marriage. On February 20, 1954, she married her best friend and love of her life, Elmer C. Baker, in Mount Horeb Evangelical Lutheran Church. Following their wedding they took a trip to Key West, Fla., to visit her uncle, Norman Lingard. They returned home to Progressive Dairy Farm where they farmed together and raised registered Holsteins and their six children. In 1982 she returned to school and graduated from Madison Business College with a bachelor's degree in general business management.

Norma was a member of Springdale Lutheran Church where she taught Sunday School, served as financial secretary for many years and was very active in the women's organization, holding every office at some time. She was also in charge of funeral luncheons at the church for many years. She served on the Board of Directors to bring the medical clinic to Mount Horeb, served as clerk of Springdale Township for a short period of time and was active on the Women's Milk Marketing groups. Along with her husband, they were lifetime members of the local, state and national FFA Alumni Association.

Norma enjoyed doing crossword and jigsaw puzzles. She loved decorating for all holidays and collecting anything that had an owl on it. Her greatest joy was watching her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren participate in all their school sports and musical activities. She was also the main caregiver for her husband for many years while he battled with Parkinson's disease.

Norma is survived by her remaining children, Sally (Wayne) Faust of Colorado, Cindy (Chris) Hanson of Mount Horeb, Julie (Bryan) McVeigh of Michigan and AJ Baker (Larissa Markley) of Janesville; son-in-law, Duane (Lynne) Hustad of New Glarus; brother-in-law, Werner Eugster of Kansas; grandchildren, Sara (Kurt) Hendrickson, Brenda (Matt) Schmitt, Tony Hustad, Stephen (Lindsay) Faust, Paul (Jenn) Faust, Crystal (Theo) Davis, Jennifer (Matt) Smillie, Matthew (Donna) Mani, Mike (Sarah) Mani, Peter (Tanya) Docken, Jessica Docken, Samantha McVeigh, Patrick McVeigh, Valerie (Mike) Hanson-Stitt, Ashley Hanson (Mike Sullivan), Matt (Luanne) Brusveen, Karen (Israel) Rivera, Jenny Huebner, Jon Huebner and Hayleigh Markley; and great-grandchildren, Abby, Nathan, Brayden, Allison, Theo, Carter, Ziva, Aaron, Natalie, Anna, Joshua, Bodie, Eisley, Emery, Breck, Lucia, Shiloh, Chase, Kennedi, Kaiden, Bryson, Curtis, Laina, Madysen, Maverick, Breanna, Aleena and Iria.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 64 years, Elmer (2018); two daughters, Sonia Hustad (1992) and Susan Docken (2018); her twin brother, Neal (2012); brother, Lyle (2013); sisters, Carol (2017) and Vergenne (2020); two sisters-in-law, Audrey and Betty Fosshage; and a son-in-law, Fritz Mani (2016).

A funeral service was held at SPRINGDALE LUTHERAN CHURCH, 2752 Town Hall Road, Springdale Township, at 11 a.m. on Monday, October 21, 2024. A luncheon followed in the basement of the church. A visitation was held at the church from 9 a.m. until the time of the service on Monday.

Memorials may be made to Springdale Lutheran Church, American Cancer Society or any heart or Parkinson's organization.

The family would like to send a huge thank you to Mount Horeb EMS, Mount Horeb Police, Meriter ER and ICU staff for their care during her last days. Online condolences may be made at www.gundersonfh.com.

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Vikki Lyn Trainor

October 27, 1949 - October 15, 2024



MOUNT HOREB - Vikki Lyn Trainor, age 74, of Mount Horeb, passed away unexpectedly at home on Tuesday, October 15, 2024. She was born on October 27, 1949, in Madison, Wis., the daughter of Bernard and Jean (Greve) Trainor.

Vikki graduated from Mount Horeb High School in 1967. She worked in the Madison area for many years, finally retiring in 2016.

One of her hobbies was going antiquing and bringing home various pieces of furniture to be refinished. Another was her home which she took great pride in. But what she enjoyed most was simply spending time with her family. From traveling to North Carolina to see her nephew, going up to Eau Claire to visit with her niece and family, to simple cookouts and get-togethers on holidays.

Vikki is survived by her sister, Terri Sutter; niece, Dena (Ryan) Long; nephew, Nathan Sutter; and great-nieces, Rylie and Ava Long. She was preceded in death by her parents, Bernard and Jean Trainor.

A celebration of life will be held at GUNDERSON CAMACHO MOUNT HOREB FUNERAL AND CREMATION CARE, 500 N. Eighth St., Mount Horeb, at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, October 29, 2024. Visitation will be held at the funeral home from 1 p.m. until the time of the service on Tuesday. Burial will take place at Vermont Lutheran Church Cemetery at a later date.

Online condolences may be made at www.gundersonfh.com.

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JoAnn Marie (Oimoen) Rue

June 21, 1929 – October 12, 2024



BARNEVELD / MOUNT HOREB - JoAnn Marie (Oimoen) Rue, age 95, of Barneveld/Mount Horeb, died peacefully on Saturday, October 12, 2024, at SSM Health St. Mary's Care Center in Madison. Close family members were by her side. JoAnn collected angels and would write out Bible verses and words of inspiration for herself which indicated her deep faith. The angels and her husband, Harland, of almost 73 years were there to welcome her to heaven.

JoAnn was born on June 21, 1929, to Esther Dorthea (Skindrud) and Otto Oimoen, at St. Mary's Hospital in Madison, Wis. JoAnn graduated from Waupun High School in 1947. JoAnn and Harland were married on March 28, 1948, on Easter Sunday night at Barneveld Lutheran Church. They started their life-love of travel by celebrating their honeymoon on a road trip to the Southwestern United States.

Faith was a value to JoAnn as she was a life-long active member of Barneveld Lutheran Church. Her faith was shown as a member of the Ladies Aid, Deborah circle, rommegrot-making at the Lutefisk suppers for many years and a Bible school teacher. She served others unconditionally by being a volunteer in many other organizations such as the Barneveld PTA, homemakers, World Dairy Expo craft fair, Associated Milk Producers (AMPI) auxiliary, Brigham township election poll worker, Sons of Norway, and the Homestead Board of Directors. She also was a breast cancer survivor and a lifelong blood donor. She found "Joy" in her church and in everyday life.

Farm and family were prioritized in her life. For 42 years, JoAnn continued the tradition of farming and raising her children on the family land that was originally homesteaded in 1851. She managed every aspect of farm and family life including milking the cows, caring for the calves, cleaning the dairy equipment, keeping farm records, paying the bills, calculating the farm taxes, and keeping everything organized. She loved all the farm animals including the kitties and dogs. Education was also prioritized because she worked many hours helping her children with schoolwork and related activities.

Friendship was cherished. JoAnn would spend many hours developing relationships by socializing, card playing or traveling with family and friends. She enjoyed "fishing" with Harland and friends on Friday nights. JoAnn would remember everyone's birthdays and anniversaries. JoAnn treasured the scripture verse from Matthew 7:7. "Ask, Seek, Knock." This message was prominently displayed by her front door welcoming guests.

Fellowship and eating together were important in her life. Many conversations with so many people occurred in JoAnn's kitchen. JoAnn could feed a group of hungry people at a moment's notice and have a lovely dessert available. Many family gatherings included Grandma's meatballs and gravy, "Grandma buns," mashed potatoes, and lefse. JoAnn and Harland developed a "secret" recipe for perfect lefse and were always eager to lead a lefse-making seminar for family and friends. JoAnn always had a spot at the table for last minute guests and she was a wonderful strong-willed lady who impacted many people. After retiring from farming, JoAnn remained busy by working at Land's End. JoAnn and Harland moved to the Homestead Cooperative in Mount Horeb where they developed valued friendships with new neighbors and hosted many happy gatherings with siblings, nieces, nephews, family, and friends.

JoAnn gave her grandchildren unconditional love and support with all their activities. JoAnn and Harland had many Culver's meals with the grandchildren! She loved watching them all grow into adulthood. She was excited for the little great-grandchildren and looked forward to their future.

Survivors include her children, Kathy (Gary) Anderson of Franksville, Ken (Theresa) Rue of Barneveld, Tom (Dawn) Rue of Tomah, and Pam (Paul) Neumann of Madison; grandchildren, Jennifer (Jesse) Garcia and Harvey and Henry; Scot (Sara) Anderson and Arthur and Matthew; Nic (Carrie) Rue and Joanna, Abigail, Jacob, and Ella; John Rue; Esther Rue; Tim (Michelle) Rue and Logan, Caleb, Anna, and Olivia; Marcus (Christina) Rue and Amara; Karla Rue; Brett Neumann; and Jamie Neumann. She is also survived by several very special nieces and nephews, including Mary Esther Katic.

JoAnn was preceded in death by her husband, Harland; her parents; Harland's parents, Minnie and Halvor Rue; and other family members including her brother, Gerald (Jane) Oimoen; and Harland's family, Henry Rue, Alice (Kermit) Carden, Helen (Alton) Knudson, Mabel (Wallace) Knudson, Beulah (Lawrence "Shorty") Uren, and Marvin (Betty) Rue. She was the final survivor in this great generation of the Rue/Oimoen family.

A funeral service will be held at BARNEVELD LUTHERAN CHURCH, 505 Swiss Lane, Barneveld, at 11 a.m. on Friday, October 25, 2024. Family and friends who wish to view the service via LIVESTREAM may visit JoAnn's obituary page at www.gundersonfh.com at the time of the service and click on "Watch Now" in the Webcast section. A visitation will be held at the church from 9 a.m. until the time of the service on Friday. Burial will take place at West Blue Mounds Cemetery.

JoAnn's family wishes to thank SSM Health St. Mary's Care Center. JoAnn enjoyed sitting and "working" by Renee and the rest of the staff at the nurse's station and listening to the happenings at the unit. In addition, her family would like to thank Dr. Amy Daley and the Hospice program with SSM Health at Home. They provided JoAnn a lot of kindness and compassionate care.

The family requests memorials be made to Barneveld Lutheran Church or the Village of Barneveld - Memorial Park Fund. Online condolences may be made at www.gundersonfh.com.

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POLICE REPORT

AUGUST MONTHLY SUMMARY 2024

911 Disconnect – 16
911 Open Line Count – 5
Accidents – 8
Accident – 1
Accident Hit & Run – 3
Accident Private Property – 1
Accident Property Damage – 1
Accident w/Injuries - 2

Adult Arrest – 4

While conducting a routine traffic stop for Operating While Revoked, it was found that the driver had an active warrant out for his arrest. The driver was placed under arrest and transported to the Dane County Jail for the warrant, and issued a warning for the violation.

During a routine traffic stop for failure to yield from a stop sign, it was found that the driver had a warrant out for her arrest. Officers were given consent to search the vehicle which yielded multiple drugs and paraphernalia. All items were seized and destroyed. The driver was arrested and transported to the Dane County Jail without incident.

Officers observed a vehicle known to be operated by an individual with an outstanding warrant. After confirming the warrant, officers located the individual in a local establishment where an arrest was made. The individual was transported to the Dane County Jail.

The Mount Horeb Police Department was made aware of an individual who may be coming in to the village, who was recently involved in an attack at an FBI building outside of Milwaukee. Officers located the suspect's vehicle in the village and conducted a high-risk stop. The subject was contacted and complied with the officer's commands. He was ultimately arrested and turned over to Dane County Jail.

Alarm – 2
Animal Complaint Bite – 1
Animal Complaint Disturbance - 1
Animal Complaint Stray – 3
Assist Citizen – 13
Assist Citizen Vehicle Unlock - 6
Assist DCSO – 7
Assist Fire/Police – 13
Assist Other Agency – 3
Check Person - 15
Check Property – 37
Civil Dispute – 1

A resident came to the police department to report that her ex-boyfriend was contacting her regarding past rent that he had paid to her. The reporting party stated that she was being threatened that law enforcement would be involved if she did not return the money. The reporting party was advised that this is civil matter. The reporting party stated that she would contact police if she needed to set up a preserve the peace.

Damage Property Complaint – 1

Police took a report of a vehicle that struck a yield sign at a roundabout and then left. Public Works was informed of the damage. There are no suspects in this case.

Death Investigation – 1

Officers responded to a residential facility for the report of a deceased individual. Upon arrival, it was found that the resident had a DNR, was under the care of Hospice, and law enforcement was no longer needed.

Disabled Vehicle - 2
Disturbance Call – 3

Officers responded to a residence for the report of a disturbance. Upon contact with both parties, it was found that a verbal argument had taken place and nothing physical had occurred. The parties were separated for the night. Alcohol was a contributing factor in this incident.

Officers were dispatched to a residence for the report of a disturbance. Upon arrival, the officers were able to talk to the juvenile who was then calm. Officers stayed on scene and made sure the juvenile was okay.

Officers were dispatched to a local restaurant for a disturbance between customer and wait staff. It was found that the customer created a disturbance at the restaurant and then left. Contact was made with all parties involved. The customer was ultimately trespassed from the restaurant.

Domestic/Family Trouble – 1

Officers made contact at a residence to check the welfare of an individual. During contact it was found that a domestic disturbance had taken place. Interviews were conducted with both parties involved and the male subject was ultimately arrested for a Probation Violation, Disorderly Conduct, and Battery. The subject was transported to the Dane County Jail without incident.

Drug Incident – 1

A manager of an apartment complex reported seeing, what was believed to be, drug paraphernalia out in the open. At the time of this report, this case is currently active and being investigated.

EMS Assist – 68
Foot Patrol/Check Property - 17
Found Property – 4
Fraud – 4

A resident came into the police department to report a possible fraud and identity theft. The resident disputed the charges which were refunded. Shortly thereafter, charges were then noticed on his wife's card. Both cards were then cancelled and refunded. While in contact with police, the resident then observed charges on his new card. This case is still active pending follow up.

A resident of the community reported that her ex-boyfriend opened a credit card in her name without permission. Multiple charges were placed on the credit card. The victim of this fraud was advised to put a hold on her accounts and to monitor all financial transactions. At the time of this report, follow up was being conducted.

A resident of the community came into the police department to report fraudulent charges on his credit card. The residence had already contacted his bank and credit reporting agencies. The report is informational only as the resident was reimbursed.

Residents of the community came in to the police department to report a fraud of a substantial amount of money. The reporting parties believed their computer was hacked and access was gained to their bank information. The residents are working with their bank and monitoring all accounts. This case is still active.

Harassment – 1

A resident of the community came to the police department to report being harassed at work by a co-worker. Contact was made with the co-worker who denied doing anything wrong. The manager of the business did confirm that the complaint was made. At the time of this report, the reporting person did not want enforcement action taken, and just wanted her co-worker to be talked to about his behavior.

Information – 14
Junk Vehicles – 1
Juvenile Complaint – 3

Police were dispatched to a residence for a juvenile complaint. Upon arrival, the officer was able to calm the juvenile down and he was then willing to go with his mom.

Officers were dispatched to a school for the report of kids being loud on the playground late at night. Officers arrived and there were no kids on scene.

An officer observes multiple juveniles climbing on the roof of a pavilion at Grundahl Park. After getting the juveniles down, all parents were contacted and made aware of the situation.

Local Ordinance Violation – 1
Lost Property - 1
Missing Juvenile / Runaway – 2

Police were dispatched to a residence for the report of a missing child. Police and family searched the area. The father located the child, who had missed their street while walking home, and had gotten lost. The child was safe and back with her parents.

Police took a report of a missing child. The area of the residence was searched with no luck. A short time later, a call came in that the child was found walking towards Blue Mounds. Officers and the parents arrived on scene and reunited the child with the parents.

Noise Complaint – 3
On Street Parking Complaint – 2
Parking Tickets – 28
PC Conveyance/Commitment – 1

Earlier in the day, a routine check person resulted in a transport of a juvenile to Meriter Hospital for mental health evaluation. Hospital staff requested that Mount Horeb Police Department transport the juvenile from Meriter to Winnebago Mental Health on a Chapter 51. The juvenile was transported and left in the care of staff at Winnebago.

Phone Call –12
Preserve the Peace –1

Officers stood by for a preserve the peace during a child custody exchange. No issues were observed. Both were advised that child custody issues need to be handled in civil courts

Private Property Parking Complaint – 1
Repossession - 2
Safety Hazard – 1
School Related Incidents –2

Special Event – 2

Sexual Assault of a Child – 1

A report was taken for a potential sexual assault of a child. This case is active and currently being investigated.

Solicitors Complaint - 2
Special Events/Community Relations – 3

Mount Horeb Police Department hosted National Night Out at Grundahl Park.

The Mount Horeb Police Department and the Mount Horeb Fire Department participated in their 2nd Annual Badges vs. Hoses Kickball game.

Police assisted with traffic control during the Veterans Memorial Bike Ride.

Suspicious Person - 1
Suspicious Vehicle – 1
Theft – 2

Officers were dispatched to a residence for the report of stolen auto. Officers attempted in person and phone contact with the reporting party, but was unsuccessful. The case is inactive until further information is reported.

An employee of a local business came in to the police department to report that she believed a former employee stole money that should have been deposited at the bank. At the time of this report, this case is actively being investigated.

Threats Complaint – 3

A resident of the village came in to report receiving threats over Facebook from an individual whom she had past issues with. The resident decided that this report would be for information only at this time.

The Mount Horeb Police Department received a phone call from an outside agency requesting information regarding an individual who Mount Horeb Police Department recently arrested. The individual is currently making threats towards other agencies. Due to the fact that the individual does not live within the village, this was turned over to Dane County.

Police received a report that juveniles that live in the village of Mount Horeb had been threatening the reporting party's child. Follow up will be conducted with all parties involved.

Traffic Arrests – 14
Traffic Complaint - 12
Traffic Incident – 5
Traffic Warning – 124







GLEANINGS

By Barb Johnson
Mount Horeb Mail

140 Years Ago-
Oct. 24, 1884

Some good improvements can be noticed in the raising and leveling of the railroad track at the depot.

Chris Hildestad and Betsy Drevdol have made up their minds to sail together down the stream of life in the matrimonial canoe.

I understand that Ellie Farrell of Riley is still lying very low. With but little hope of recovery.

H. G. Elliot & Company are just opening a fine fall display of goods, and can offer you bargains in all lines. Call and examine their goods and prices.

120 Years Ago-
Oct. 20, 1904

L.L. Martin is enjoying a good trade in the shoe repairing line.

Dr. Evans says he enjoyed his second visit to the Worlds Fair very much, and especially the meeting of the medical congress.

The marshal pro tem and county deputy were notified that several tramps were seen about town Sunday evening. They were soon on a hunt and after some time located the parties at the hotel ready to turn in for the night for a goodnight's rest and an early start laying brick the next morning. They were strangers and although not bad looking fellows, did not have their Sunday duds on and consequently the suspicion was easily aroused owing to the recent catastrophe at the post office.

The Village Board of The Village of Mount Horeb do ordain as follows: Section 1. No kicking or tossing of footballs, nor throwing of baseballs shall be allowed on the streets or public thoroughfares of the village of Mount Horeb. Section 2. Violations of this ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of one dollar for each offense, said fine to be collected from parents or guardian if the offender is a miner.

110 Years Ago-
Oct. 23, 1914

After a week of continuous rain, Sunday morning brought bright sunshine, and the Mission fest was well attended although roads were as in the breaking up in the spring of the year, autos could not be used. The forenoon offering amounted to $699.84 and in the afternoon when the Sunday school and others made a contribution of $94.55.

At a special election held on Monday to determine whether to have electric lights or not, the vote was 71 for and 20 against. $5,000 bonds were noted to wire the town. Black Earth News.

Miss Sarah Olson and Miss Clara Jordee shifted the responsibility of good telephone service onto their respective substitutes last Tuesday and took in the sights of the capital city.

Work has commenced on the remodeling of the big ski tower. The steel structure will be moved back several feet and when changed will conform better to the liking of the sliders, and higher records can be looked for next winter.

We visited Wm. Hamilton at Mendota hospital last Tuesday and found him in bed and very poorly. He was not able to speak above a whisper, but his mind was clear and he was pleased to have us call. He was however despondent and did not expect long to survive and has a feeling that he has no friends in the world and has nothing to live for. We are of the opinion that he should be taken to a sanitarium where he could be given special treatment.

90 Years Ago-
Oct. 25, 1934

About 50 of our citizens were escorted to the 70 odd finished CCC projects Tuesday by the camp's head engineer. Material and labor is furnished and the farmer has only to supply a team of horses for the flood control projects on his land.

The Ed Steyer farm home, Town of Blue Mounds, was totally destroyed by fire Wednesday morning when it was struck by lightning.

A.G. Bloland, local contractor, is engaged in U.S. project work at the Mississippi river, north of Prairie du Chein.

Martinson Bros. have an order from Nels Hustad to put a new iron roof on the 150-foot barn on the Kittleson farm, Town of Perry.

Rosella Post, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Post, Perry, and Milton Swingen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ole Swingen, Forward, were married by the Rev. Fr. Jacobs at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church Wednesday, Oct. 24.

80 Years Ago-
Oct. 26, 1944

Ray Cunneen received word Tuesday that his son, Ray, was wounded in action in Germany.

The former Harold Lewis house on West Main Street was moved last week onto a lot on North Second Street.

Lizzie McCaughey, 77, died Wednesday, Oct. 25, at the home of her nephew, Charles Himsel, Mount Horeb.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Martinson at Madison General Hospital, Oct. 16.

Arthur N. Krohn, S/2C Radarman, has left Camp Elliott Naval Training and Distribution Center, San Diego, Calif., for a destination somewhere in the Pacific.

Mrs. Anne Dahle, one of the few surviving pioneer women of the community, observed her 89th birthday anniversary Tuesday. Her five daughters were all at dinner in the evening at the Dahle home. They are: Mrs. T.S. Thompson, Mount Horeb; Mrs. Agnes Green, who makes her home with her mother in Mount Horeb; Mrs. F.E. Moody and Mrs. Nels Beim, Minneapolis, Minn; and Mrs. Asher Hobson, Madison.

70 Years Ago-
Oct. 21, 1954

Groundbreaking services for the new Immanuel Lutheran Church were held Sunday following the worship hour.

Olaf Christianson, 64, was fatally injured Wednesday afternoon Oct. 13, when he was struck by a car while at work with the Dane County Highway Department crew doing road repair work near the intersection of Speedway road and West Beltline. He died at a Madison hospital a few hours later.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Lee, Mount Horeb, announce the engagement of their daughter, Shirley Ann, to Ronald Sailing, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sailing, also of Mount Horeb. The wedding will take place November 13 in the Mount Horeb Evangelical Lutheran Church.

60 Years Ago-
Oct. 22, 1964

Norman B. Haglund, Mount Horeb was among the 285 Chicago-based intercity drivers for Consolidated Freightways who recently achieved a million consecutive miles of accident-free driving.

Mt. Horeb's homecoming parade was described as one of the finest although only seven minutes long. One resident said, "I was astounded to see the beauty and originality of each float, and many hours of difficult and exacting work which obviously went into preparing them in time." Another voiced amazement at the students' abilities to select catchy and original slogans. She noted that the second place float, "Odor Power the Arrows" (depicting a skunk) was "outstanding" and she stamped a firm approval at the float labeled "We're Aiming for a Victory."

50 Years Ago-
Oct. 24, 1974

Mount Horeb Area Jaycees are developing a system of painting house numbers on the curbs in the village. Their main concern is to have a system that can be maintained.

A daughter, Tamra Rae, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Warner, Mount Horeb, Thursday, Oct. 3.

Charter members of the Mount Horeb Youth Hockey Booster Club have been honored with a plaque engraving their names, which was hung in the State Bank of Mount Horeb this week. Through donations of $25 or more, 52 charter members, either individuals or businesses, a hockey rink was purchased.

The new auto parts service, Viking Auto Parts Company, has been opened in Mount Horeb in the former Eichorst Electric building on the southeast side of the village. Olin Stenbroten is the owner of the new wholesale-retail auto parts business.

40 Years Ago-
Oct. 25, 1984

Joe and Patti Hueser are the parents of a son, Matthew Joseph, born on Thursday, Oct. 18, at St. Mary's Hospital, Madison.

Dawn Rae Schlegel and Virgil Edward Haag were united in marriage on Sep. 15, 1984 in a 1:30 pm ceremony in Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Alvin (Tiny) Hinrichs returned home on Tuesday last week from Madison General Hospital where he has been a medical patient for eight days.

30 Years Ago-
Oct. 27, 1994

LaVerne Framstad, age 78, died on Saturday, Oct. 22, 1994, at Verona, from a lingering illness.

It took an agreement to cut the proposed operating budget from $192,000 to $186,000 before representatives to the Mount Horeb Area Fire District annual meeting would approve the 1995 budget. The budget is a 7.04 percent increase over last year's.

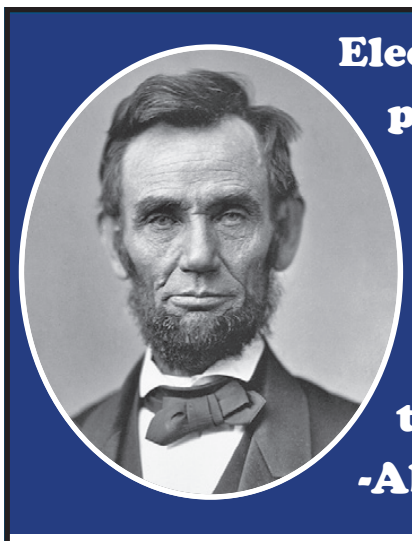
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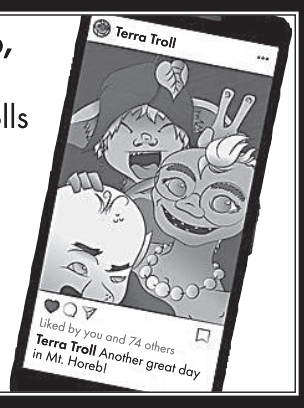
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By Jerry Davis
Countryside News

Coming soon out of the corner of our vision, may be a buck white-tailed deer "running wild." Wisconsin's white-tails are beginning their mating season. Bucks, all ages, will begin to show little fear and respect of people, automobiles, display windows, and roadway deer crossing signs. If a female deer, doe, darts across a road, slow down because a buck with even more vigor may be close behind.

This frisky phase will last about a month, ending just before the gun deer, nine-day hunting season opens November 23.

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led her to public service and community activism.

Senator Agard began her journey in the State Assembly in November 2012 and is now in her fifth term in the Wisconsin State Legislature, elected to the State Senate in November 2020. She represents the 16th Senate District, covering a large portion of the north, east, and south sides of Dane County.

Throughout her career, Senator Agard has been a staunch advocate for progressive legislation, from pushing for cannabis legalization to successfully addressing the sexual assault kit backlog. She›s championed bills to boost wages, provide healthcare access for all Wisconsinites, and promote community equity. Moreover, she›s worked across party lines to enact pragmatic legislation, like expanding mental health benefits, ensuring sexual assault victims receive justice, and improving street safety.

In recognition of her leadership and dedication, her colleagues unanimously elected her as Senate Democratic Leader in November 2022.

Prior Elected Office: Dane County Board of Supervisors, 2010-2014; Wisconsin State Assembly, 2013-2021; Wisconsin State Senate 2021-2024 and as Senate Democratic Leader in 2023; Other Public Service: Gompers Elementary School PTO President; Make Room For Youth (MRFY) - Founding Member; Emerge Wisconsin, Board of Directors; Boy Scouts of America Glacier's Edge Council, Board of Directors; Creative Learning Preschool, Board of Directors; Midwest Shiba Inu Dog Rescue, Board of Directors; Education: University of Wisconsin - Madison Bachelor of Psychology, Yale Executive Education Women in Leadership, Bowhay Institute for Legislative Leadership, TOLL Fellowship, Emerging Leaders Program at University of Virginia.

What are the most important issues the winner of this election will face in the coming term, and how would you address them? Please detail some substantive policy positions. Our readers are intelligent people and statements like "I care about the environment" or "government should be fair" tell us nothing about anything. Really let us know what issues you want to grapple with, what problems you want to solve, and what opportunities you want to seize with both your allies and even your political adversaries:

Pellebon: Some of the substantive issues that need to be addressed and highlighted are affordable housing, service provision in our health and human needs department, and fiscal oversight. First affordable housing: while we have a 12 point housing plan to encourage new housing development, that isn't sufficient to address the needs of those who are currently unable to access housing. We need to ensure that new developments who utilize the affordable housing fund are building units that meet affordability for those who have the most barriers for accessing housing by regulating affordability for the county. Centralized housing navigation by region to ensure representation of urban and rural housing. Partnerships and technical assistance to developers and management companies to maintain affordability both upon entering housing and annual renewals. Investment in home ownership programs like "Own It" and the "Madison Area Community Land Trust" to encourage affordable home ownership. Working with the Department of Human Services and purchase of service agencies to coalesce services for residents to maintain housing to prevent housing insecurity. I have worked with housing programs for 30 years and have built relationships in all areas of housing to be able to facilitate conversations. I have created programs in conjunction with property management companies, service providers, and community partners to give better access to housing for those who may not meet rental criteria. I have worked with private property owners to maintain affordability while also maintaining profit margin by creating reasonable rents with supports to create long term residents.

Secondly, working with the Department of Human Services and the purchase of service agencies that have contracts with the county to better resource service provision. This includes connecting purchase of service agencies with each other and making sure the community is aware of the resources available to them. Ensuring streamlined and effective service contracts to prevent unnecessary duplication of services between the county and purchase of service agencies. I currently work with the county and the purchase of service agencies on the beginning end of this work and because of my expertise in this area will be able to expand this work as the County Executive.

Finally, a large focus will be on the financial health of our county and ensuring over time we have the funds to maintain our assets and services. I will focus on reduction of capital spending. Our county has operated without a capital improvement plan, which accounts for capital needs in the future. By instituting a 3-5 year plan, we can better forecast needs in our capital budget and put aside funds in the reserve to pay for the necessary improvements. Also, being mindful of the debt service by accounting for paid debt before we add new debt. Funding projects that are vital verses wanted until we can maintain a lower capital investment for reduction in taxes. Also, a solid strategic plan for the county in every department that looks at feasibility of programs and services in every department. I will also look for areas of growth and revenue generation in each department. In my work as an executive this is work I do day to day to maintain healthy, financially sound organizations.

Agard: I am running for Dane County Executive to build a stronger community for everyone who calls Dane County home. I am an experienced, proven collaborative leader. I have dedicated my life to ensuring fairness, safety, and prosperity for all people. The coalitions that I have built over the years and the support of the good people of Dane County uniquely qualify me for this position.

We are at an important crossroads in Wisconsin and Dane County. Now more than ever, we need an experienced leader to ensure that we take advantage of our successes and move forward in a sustainable way with a path and plan towards a more just and equitable community. I have the experience we need to guide us into the future.

I strongly believe that every kid must know that their dreams matter and that they can achieve anything. I will work collaboratively to build a safer and stronger community for everyone who calls Dane County home. I will invest in more housing, continue to lead in addressing climate change and environmental protections, confront racial disparities, and prioritize innovative workforce development and supporting local businesses.

Housing: Housing is a human right. We must prioritize a housing model focusing on safe, culturally inclusive, sustainable, and affordable housing. We need more of all types of housing. And we need more housing in every community in Dane County. As your State Senator, I championed a historic $525 million investment to bolster affordable housing initiatives and home ownership. I will continue to work innovatively as County Executive to increase housing. Success requires everyone to work together – the government, non-profits, and the business community must come together. As a leader in the State Senate, I have the relationships in every sector needed to address this crisis. The Dane County Regional Housing Strategy is our starting roadmap. We must increase homeownership funding for historically marginalized groups and incentivize affordable housing by expanding the successful Affordable Housing Development Fund across Dane County. The Bayview complex in Madison is a prime example of how we can all come together to create successful, community-centered, low-income housing in our urban centers. We must also ensure housing options for everyone, including those with chronic mental illness, unaccompanied youth, people navigating life with addiction, seniors, and others. In addition, we need to continue essential investments that keep people in housing, including eviction prevention, down payment and mortgage assistance, tenants' rights services, and homeownership programs. Finally, people can afford housing when they have money to spend on it. Solving the housing crisis also requires us to increase wages, ensure affordable childcare, and make healthcare more affordable.

Environment: I am a proven environmental champion who has been recognized by the Wisconsin Conservation Voters as well as endorsed by Clean Wisconsin Action Fund. County Executives Joe Parisi and Kathleen Falk are innovators in local government investment in environmental protections. They both have endorsed my candidacy because they know that I am committed to protecting and preserving our air, land, and water, as well as building on their legacies of conservation. We must protect what makes our community special, including our public lands and waters, agricultural heritage, and family farms. I grew up learning to swim and fish in Dane County's lakes. But now, with blue-green algae and PFAS, it is not healthy to eat the fish caught in them or let our dogs swim in them. I am the author of the most comprehensive PFAS bill in the nation, and I have successfully passed bipartisan legislation to prohibit PFAS

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in firefighting foam. I am a proven environmental champion recognized by the Wisconsin Conservation Voters and endorsed by the Clean Wisconsin Action Fund in this race. Dane County is diverse, and we must include folks from rural areas in policy making. Our farmers and landowners play an important and unique role in environmental justice. Additionally, I will prioritize continued investments in green and renewable energy, decarbonization, and the redevelopment of the landfill/innovation campus.

Justice System: Public safety means different things to each of us, and Dane County must deliver for everyone who lives, works, and plays here. It is imperative that we implement bold change to create a justice system that is fair, transformative, and equitable. Black residents in Dane County are arrested at an 11 times higher rate than white residents, and their incarceration rate is more than twice the national rate for Black residents. This cannot continue. We must implement pragmatic and bold change such as expanding bail reform, electronic monitoring, community service, and alternatives to incarceration, along with increasing funding for fee waivers, social workers, expanding the CARES program, and bringing diverse voices to the table for honest, hard conversations about community policing and public safety. We can do better and ensure Dane County is safe for everyone. Strong, trusting community partnerships paired with more early investments in intervention and prevention will save lives.

Racial Disparities: In the most recent Kids Forward "Race to Equity 10-Year Report: Dane County" we see that there are significant racial gaps in Dane County in areas such as health, education, and economic well-being. We must do better as a community to address these generational wrongs. While Dane County is the fastest growing county in the state, its Black residents are not experiencing the same prosperity and economic benefits as white residents. We must acknowledge and work together to address these generational and egregious racial disparities that exist. In order to do this work we must use an equity lens in all of our work, whether addressing the housing crunch, the needed justice reforms, our public health needs, economic development, or public safety. As we navigate how we as a community move forward, we must prioritize the wellbeing of Black and Brown folks in our community and we must ensure diversity of voices and perspectives at the policy making table. We can do this by creating space at the table for diverse voices and treating them as partners in drafting solutions. We must truly listen to those who are most affected by an issue, to craft smart solutions to the problems facing our communities. In addition we must be transparent about this process and hold ourselves accountable.

Workforce Development & Supporting Local Businesses: Dane County must be a place where everyone can find a good job and where working families have all that they need to thrive. Whether investing in and supporting our Main Street businesses and entrepreneurs, investing in innovative workforce development solutions, or removing barriers to accessing childcare, we can do better. The keys to growing the working class here in Dane County are by investing in the people, advocating for increasing wages at the state and federal level, addressing our housing crunch, and lowering the costs for both health care and child care. Additionally, we know true economic justice means authentic partnerships with mayors and local electeds from across our region, our diverse local partners, and chambers, in order to increase small business ownership and opportunities for those businesses to thrive. I am honored to be endorsed by municipal leaders from across Dane County as well as the Greater Madison Chamber of Commerce.

What are some unique challenges and/or opportunities facing people you would represent? How would you describe this district to people who live/represent elsewhere?

Pellebon: One of the unique opportunities in our community is transformation of our criminal legal system to ensure that people are routed to the correct place for help instead of using the Dane County Jail as a catch all for those with mental health challenges or minor offenses that can be handled in our restorative courts. I co-chaired a committee to bring the new community court to our county. This court has been implemented in cities throughout the United States with low recidivism rates and high success rates for the participants. The community court works with people who may have a first offense/non-violent misdemeanor to connect them with basic needs and resources to address any root causes that need bolstering. In addition, they work with both the victim and the harm doer to restore and make whole the harm done by the offense.

As one of 15 elected officials chosen throughout the nation specifically to address racial disparity in our jails, I had the chance to meet and confer with experts in our community and across the US who are deeply embedded in this work. They all agree that reforms we have in place in Dane County are forward facing. They also agree that the next steps to reduction of crime and incarceration lies in prevention and addressing basic needs for communities that have higher barriers to success. The research is clear that punitive consequences alone do not yield long term results and in fact do not act as a deterrent to crime.

Another opportunity is to build on the work of the previous County Executives to maintain the progress we have made on environmental issues while working on items that have yet to be resolved like our lake levels. While we are currently doing what we can to manage the lake levels, we found this year that our current policies were not enough with the level of precipitation we had. We have an opportunity to do more research and again set us apart as leaders to work through this issue in a new way.

Agard: Protecting Rural Dane County: Dane County has a highly diverse heritage and culture, and we are growing quickly. We must protect what makes our communities special, including honoring our agricultural heritage and our family farms. There is competition with urban, suburban and other uses that threaten our rural communities and agricultural lands. For too long there has been an "us vs them" narrative, and I know it doesn't need to be this way. According to the 2022 Dane County Farmland Preservation Plan, Dane County has more than 500,000 acres of land in agricultural use, representing 64% of the total land area of the county. Dane County leads the state in total market value of agricultural products. However, the majority of farmers continue to report that off-farm income makes up the majority of their household income, mirroring state and national trends.

In order for Dane County to be all it can be, we must thoughtfully balance the needs of our farms and rural areas today and our collective vision for tomorrow. By considering long term land use, soil & water quality, and conservation priorities, we can ensure that we are protecting our agricultural heritage. We must thoughtfully invest in local food production, address public health needs, and do all we can to address climate change, as well as provide for robust outdoors experiences for all who live, work, and play here in Dane County. This will require more thoughtful engagement with farmers, rural residents, and the Dane County Towns Association.

Behavioral Health & Addiction: The State of Wisconsin is one of only a few states that has not expanded Medicaid. This is a shame and the most significant barrier to ensuring everyone has access to behavioral healthcare. As Senate Democratic Leader and a legislator for the past 12 years, I have been on the front lines advocating for this with the governor, my colleagues in the legislature, and our federal partners. I guarantee you that I will continue this work as County Executive.

Removing stigma and investing in early intervention and prevention are some of the best ways to impact and save lives. At the state capital, I am the leading voice and author of teen dating violence / healthy relationships legislation and reinstating the Healthy Youth Act which provides comprehensive, science-based sex ed to our kids.

It is the job of the county to support our vulnerable family, friends, and neighbors by investing in services that they need to be the best version of themselves. We must ensure services are accessible to everyone. This includes building a provider network that is diverse (culturally, racially, gender, and sexual orientation), with medical providers who authentically understand the needs of the people they are serving. Additionally, we must build a Crisis Triage Center here in Dane County so that anyone can walk-in or be dropped-off and access services. The current status - with transportation to outside the county, and long wait lists - is unacceptable.

I lost my youngest brother to fentanyl poisoning during the COVID pandemic. My family is not unique, and this is an example where we must do better right here in Dane County. We must use the money from the opioid settlement to get this right, because too many of us have lost loved ones.

What's one important question you don't get asked enough on the campaign trail? What's your answer to it? Is there an important issue that's not glamorous enough to garner headlines and clicks, but which our leaders need to meaningfully address?

Pellebon: The important question is how does the experience intersect with the position of Dane County Executive? The Dane County Executive, while being an elected position, is not a legislative position. When both candidates have similar views, what is important to note is the experience of the candidate to ensure that they have the qualifications to implement what is needed in this position to ensure growth and fiscal health of our county. What is their management style? How do you manage large groups of people and programs? How do you implement budget priorities and manage those who are responsible for that implementation? As someone who has managed budgets, people, departments, strategic planning, and programs on a large scale for several organizations, I am uniquely qualified to be able to do this work as an executive and not as a legislator.

Agard: Budget / Fiscal Responsibility: It is vitally important that our local governments have the ability to deliver high quality services that our friends and neighbors deserve with fiscal prudence. I was proud to usher in the passage of the Wisconsin shared revenue legislation as Senate Minority Leader, which will help secure the future for our municipalities. I will be a fierce bipartisan advocate to the state to help ensure full funding for our local governments and for the most critical programs. I will always balance fiscal responsibility with supporting the unmet needs across Dane County.

As County Executive, I will prioritize investing where we can in early interventions and preventative measures. But I also realize that budgets for mandated services are limited thanks to the GOP gerrymander and unfunded mandates at the state level. Once elected, I will be comfortable walking into a room of bipartisan legislators, the governor's office, our major health partners, the business community, local governments, the philanthropic community, and our amazing purchase of service agencies, to advocate for what we need right here in Dane County. This includes more funding and additional revisions to our Shared Revenue formula. After all, the state is sitting on over $3 billion that should be invested in our local communities across Wisconsin.

Anything else you want to add?

Pellebon: I have spent 30 years working with county programs, agencies, community programs, people, and businesses throughout our community. I have deep relationships in all of those spaces because I have been doing work similar to the county executive in the private sector. I am ready to lead on day 1 because I have been a leader in every space I have been in for 30 years. In addition, I have already made the connections with the agencies and the people in the county who do the work so I have a deep understanding of how the county works on a day-to-day basis. While there is always a learning curve, my learning curve will be less steep because I have invested directly into our community on a day-to-day level and not at a 10,000 ft level. It is not good enough to have a value that we all espouse in this position. Instead, we need a County Executive that can work in these spaces already respected and well-resourced with people and connections to implement the solutions to the needs of our county while maintaining the good work that has already been done.

I have been able to negotiate hard topics in a variety of spaces including the 15-year Dane County Jail debate which I spearheaded finding a solution for that most of the County Board, the County Executive and the Sherriff's office could move forward. I work with hard situations daily and find solutions through conversations with partners and the community. My steady manner of leadership with results has been proven in the variety of spaces I have managed and directed. My actions match my words and I tell the truth even when it is hard. But, even in those hard spaces, I find solutions because I am an effective communicator who's focus is our community at large and the needs of our community in every way.

Agard: I have served as County Board Supervisor, State Legislator, and Senate Democratic Leader. I have a track record of working across the aisle to pass pragmatic legislation to do things like expand mental health benefits, address Wisconsin's sexual assault kit backlog, and to address the broken local funding formulas. I'm endorsed by Executives Parisi and Falk, as well as a diverse list of leaders and organizations from cities, villages, and towns across Dane County. I would be honored to earn the trust and votes of the people of Dane County to serve as the next Dane County Executive.

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MOUNT HOREB/BARNEVELD 53, PORTAGE 12

Bring on the second season

Vikings win league title, but not happy with playoff seed

by ROB REISCHEL
Sports Editor

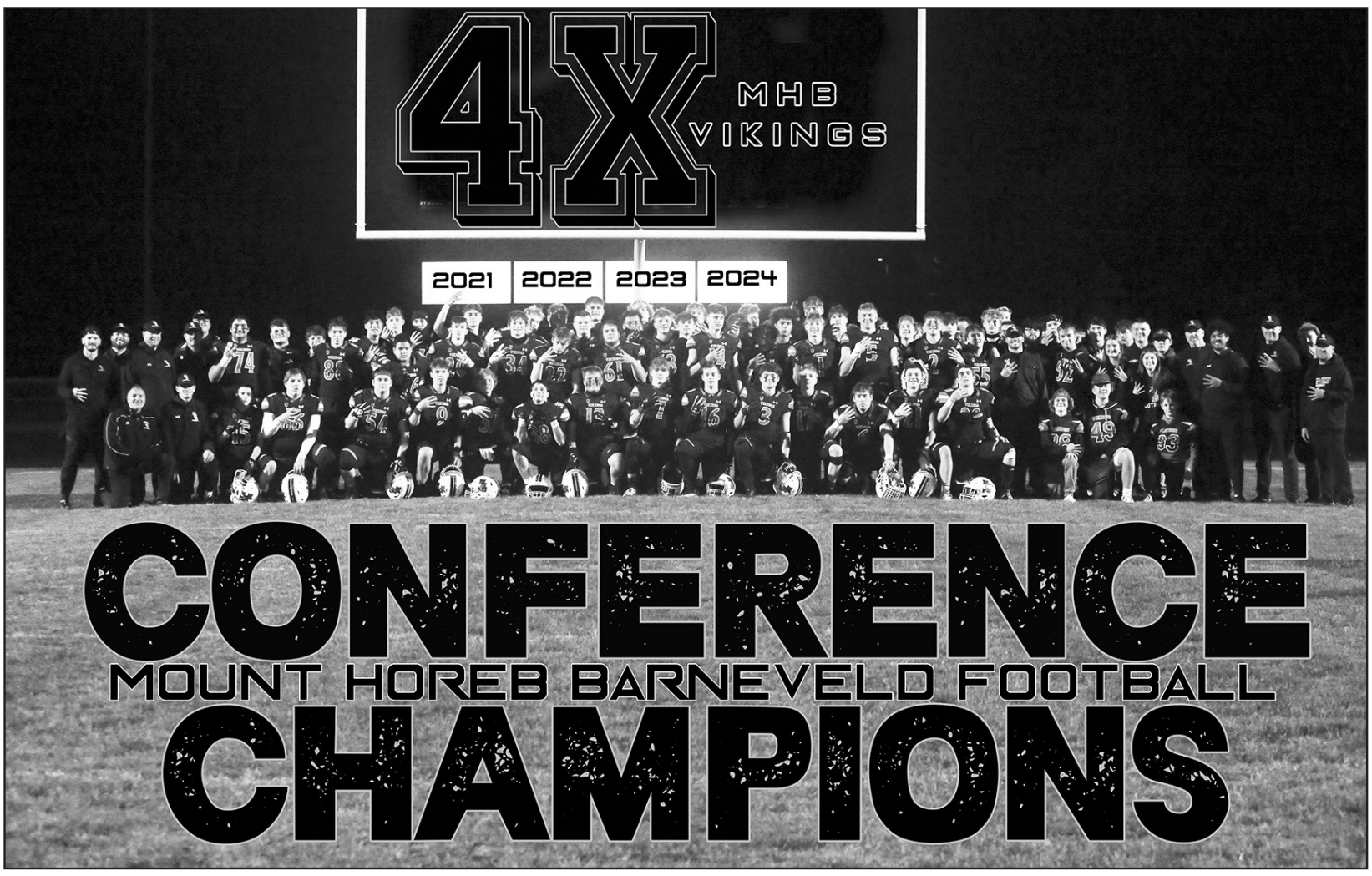
How do you build a dynasty at a school with just more than 900 students?

You start at the youth levels and get a total 'buy-in' from the community. You worry more about development than wins or losses at the freshman and sophomore level. And perhaps most importantly, you develop a culture where there truly is no 'I' in 'team.'

Mount Horeb-Barneveld football coach Bret St. Arnauld has done all of that — and more — in turning the Vikings into a state powerhouse.

MH-B added another championship to its impressive résumé last Friday when it routed Portage, 53-12, to claim a fourth straight Badger Small Conference title. The Vikings improved

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Champs!

The Mount Horeb/Barneveld football team clinched its fourth straight Badger Small Conference title last Friday with a 53-12 rout of Portage. Photo courtesy of Holly Stoenner

Vikings run to another league title

Vigliotta, Caygill finish 1-2 at Badger Conference meet

by DENNIS SEMRAU
Sports Reporter

It was a beautiful day for a cross country meet with sunny skies and temperatures in the low 50s when Mount Horeb's girls team assembled at the starting line on the Norsk Golf Club course with one goal in mind last Saturday.

"It was exciting," sophomore Julia Straka said with a wide smile. "We knew coming up to it that we had a good chance of winning. We were really pumped about it."

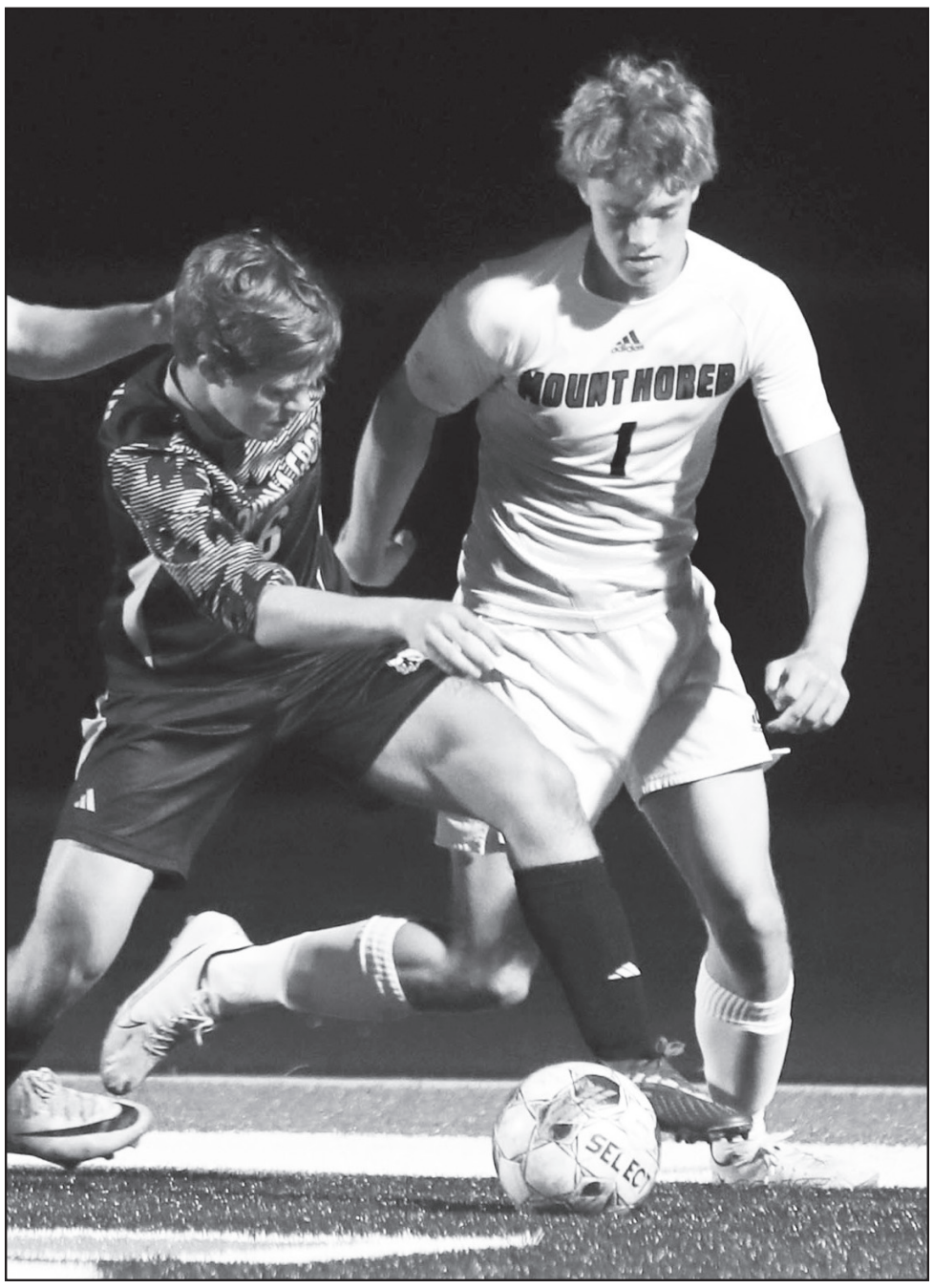
The Vikings easily defended their Badger Small Conference title, finishing with 35 points to outdistance runner-up Sauk Prairie (68 points) for the second year in a row.

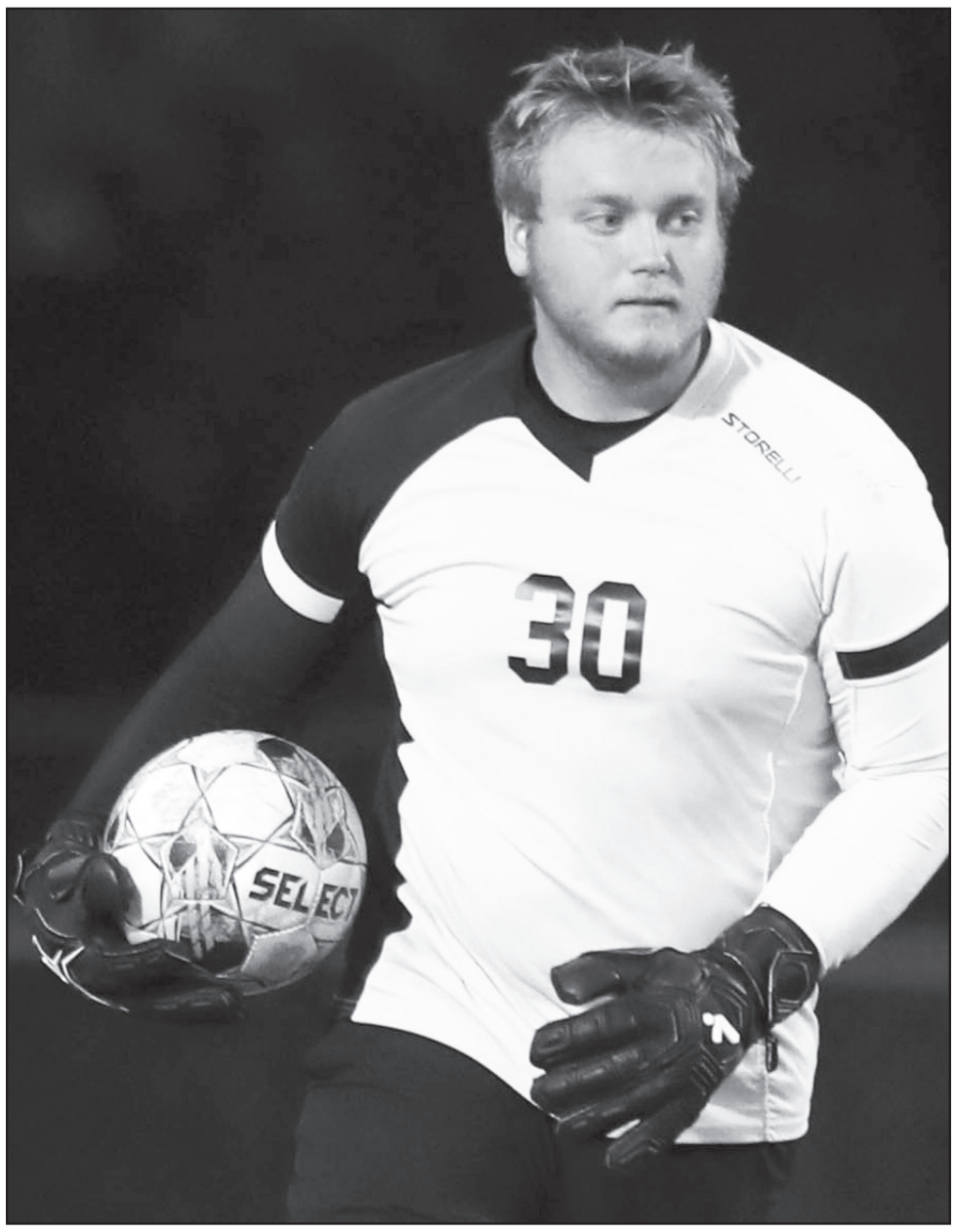
Mount Horeb sophomore Willa Vigliotta covered the 5,000-meter course in a time of 19 minutes, 51.8 seconds to win the individual championship. Freshman teammate Mia Caygill was second in 20:11.7 as the Vikings placed their top five runners within the top 16, earning them each

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Mount Horeb cross country standout Willa Vigliotta won the Badger Small Conference championship last Saturday. Photo courtesy of Mary Langenfeld





Devyn Uptegraw (1), Orion Lipska (30) and Mount Horeb's boys soccer team received the No. 8 seed in their sectional. Photo courtesy of Mary Langenfeld

Soccer Vikings receive No. 8 seed

by **ROB** REISCHEL
Sports Editor

Bring on the postseason.

Mount Horeb's boys soccer team received the No. 8 seed in their WIAA Division 3 sectional and will host ninth-seeded Delavan Darien in a regional semifinal Thursday at 7 p.m. The Vikings defeated the Comets, 3-1, back on Sept. 7.

"We like the matchup, but know that they will be a tough game," Mount Horeb coach Rick Gage said of facing Delavan-Darien. "When we played them earlier in the season it was a pretty even game, but we were the team to score the goals.

"Delavan has some good results over the course of the season and look to be improved from when we played them earlier. We will be ready to play them, but we also know that we will have to play well in order to beat them."

If the Vikings win their playoff opener, they'd likely travel to top-seeded Wisconsin Dells for a regional final on Saturday. Mount Horeb fell to Dells, 3-0, on Oct. 12.

The sectional semifinals are Oct. 31 and the sectional finals are Nov. 2.

"We just played them a week ago so we are very familiar with them," Gage said of Wisconsin Dells. "They are a high powered offense that puts a lot of stress on your defense. We will have to change some things up if we play them again, but we are focused on getting through Delavan first."

The Vikings ended the regular season by splitting a pair of games last week.

Mount Horeb fell to Sauk Prairie, 5-0, on Oct. 15. The Vikings then rolled past Janesville Parker, 5-0, on Oct. 17.

Mount Horeb finished the regular season 7-10 overall and 4-3 in the Badger Small Conference.

"Sauk is a good team so we knew that this would be a tough game," Gage said. "They had a lot of injuries early in the season and had just gotten back to being healthy within the last week, so we weren't quite sure what to expect given there was not much film of them with their whole team.

"As a healthy team they had some good results so it was going to be a tough game. Additionally, given that we are a week from playoffs we were watching minutes closely for anyone who has logged a lot of game time lately or us nursing injuries.

"Over the course of the game Sauk put a lot of stress on our back line and midfield. They are a quick team who quickly pressures you and forces you into mistakes. I felt there were times we dealt with their pressure well and other times where they were able to force us into mistakes that turned into their attack."

The Vikings had a much better result against Janesville Parker.

Noah High and Mason Williams both had a goal and an assist. Brady Rockow, Ro Gilles and Ethan Gage all had goals, while Preston Reed and Aidan Gage both had assists.

"This was a game that we felt we should be able to control on both the offensive and defensive ends of the field," Gage said. "This turned out to be true. We moved the ball well throughout the entire game and created a ton of chances.

"Over the course of the game we took a total of 57 shots. Also defensively we controlled the play and limited them to one or two decent chances over the course of the game. We controlled the game from the beginning. We created good chances on goal from the first minute and they kept coming.

"I was happy with the amount of chances we created and the pressure we put on the goal. We need to work on cleaning up our finishing this week in practice."

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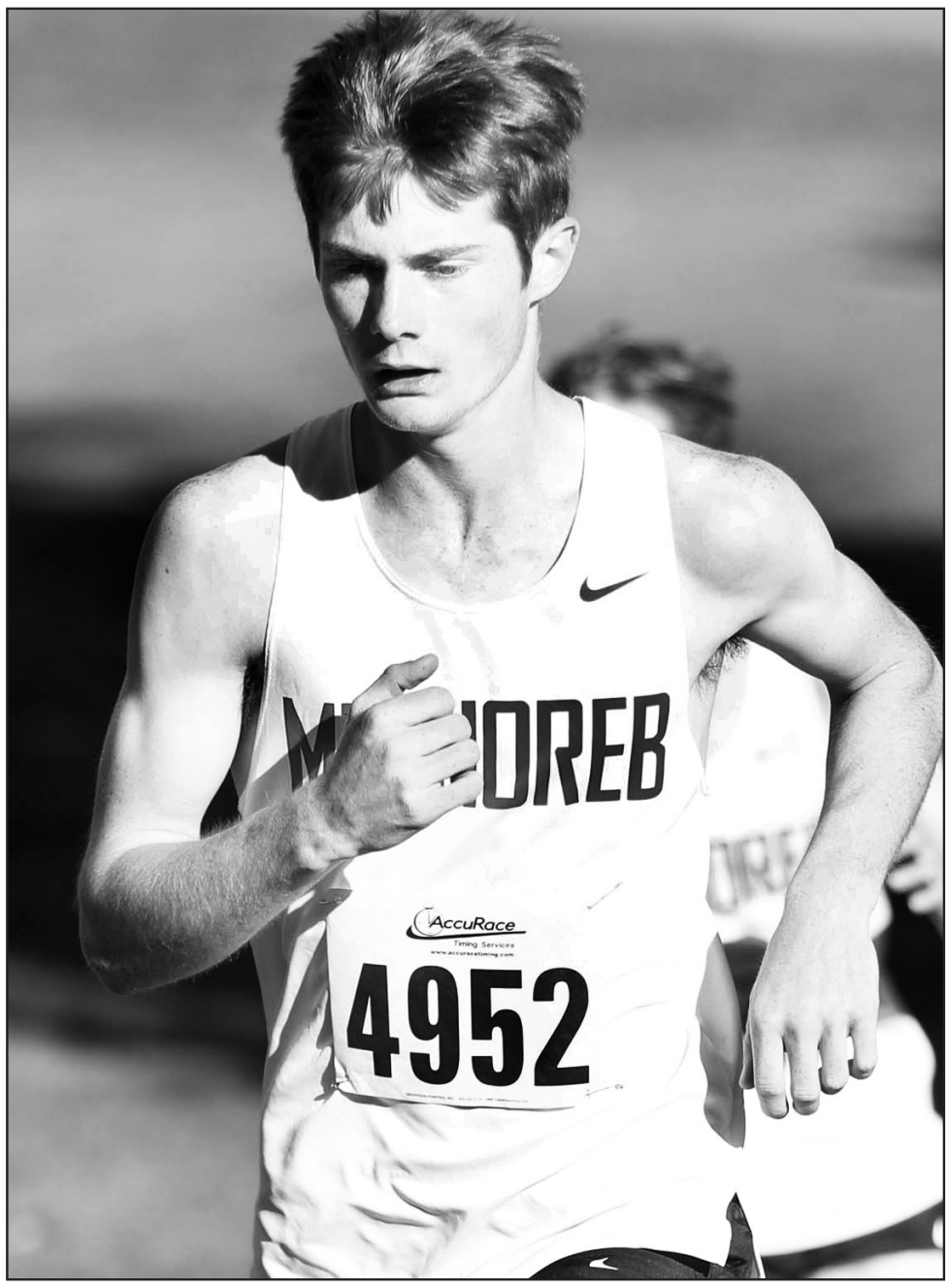
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Samuel Wyse (left) and Jack Zwettler (above) were Mount Horeb's top two finishers at the Badger Small Conference championship last Saturday. Photos courtesy of Mary Langenfeld

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all-conference honors.

"They work really hard and put themselves in position to do good things," Mount Horeb coach Dave Chancellor said. "I was really, proud of them today. You could not have a better day."

Chancellor said the plan was for Vigliotta, who placed second a year ago, and Caygill to take the top two positions.

"We were hoping that's where they would be," Chancellor said. "They've put together some great races, so that was a pretty, reasonable outcome. They were ready for that. They knew they would be in the front. So, I was happy to see that.

"Those two practice together and they have been running together for a long time, so it was good to see that."

Vigliotta said the duo didn't know who was going to finish on top in this race.

"We both knew we were going to take first or second. We didn't know which one, who was going to get first," she said. "We started off running together, and she fell back a little bit, and I kept going. I got ahead around the mile mark."

Vigliotta, who said it was her first high school individual cross-country title, had plenty of motivation.

"I had a lot of my family and friends out here watching me," she said. "It was good to run well."

Rounding out the top five scoring finishers for Mount Horeb were Straka, who was seventh in 20:55.3; senior Ellie Larson, who was ninth in 20:58.4; and sophomore Maeve True, who was 16th in 21:21.6.

"Last year, we had Abby Sadler, who won pretty much whatever she touched," Chancellor said. "We're a lot deeper as a team. If you watched the girls JV race, they did well, too.

"So, we've been able to bring up the average on the team and they're just working so well together. It's nice to see that pack running. We have nice groups in practice that they latch onto. So, they're used to doing that, and it's paid off in the races."

The top eight runners earned all-conference first-team honors, while the ninth through 16th-place finishers were accorded second-team honors.

"We knew that Willa and Mia were going to take the top two," Straka said. "So, I was supposed to come in in the top-10. I did what I was supposed to do. The other runners were where we wanted them to be, too."

Straka said it was important for the Vikings, who were ranked seventh in the latest Wisconsin Cross Country Coaches Association Division 2 poll, to defend their conference crown.

"We knew we could do it," she said. "So, we're happy we did it. We proved to ourselves we are ready for sectionals."

In the boys race, Mount Horeb sophomore Samuel Wyse finished 17th in a personal-best time of 18:16.8. Wyse narrowly missed second-team all-conference honors, while leading the Vikings to a sixth-place finish with 129 points.

"I was really pleased with the guys," Chancellor said. "Our guys team was last in the conference last year. So, we've been working up from that largely with the same group of guys.

"It's a tough course. It's really hilly, and it makes you work. So, they ran really well as a team."

Baraboo won the team title with 42 points with Stoughton finishing second with 70 points. McFarland's Isaac Ewing won the individual title in a time of 16:25.9.

Rounding out the five scoring runners for Mount Horeb were senior Jack Zwettler, who finished 20th in 18:28.8; senior James Zwettler, who was 27th in 18:42.5; senior Noah Gibbs, who took 30th in 19:00.0; and sophomore Jaxon Hughes, who was 35th in 19:10.2.

Wyse said he was pleased with his finish as well as how much the Vikings have improved this season.

"I'm hoping to go sub-18 for the season. But this course is a lot harder than the other ones we ran on. We'll have to see what we can do at sectionals," he said.

"We put up a strong performance. Some of the other teams were tougher than we thought. But I think we did well. We've improved so much from last year to this year. We've got to keep it going."

Chancellor said Wyse has emerged as the team leader despite his relative youth.

"Sam, as a sophomore, has really taken on the top role for us," Chancellor said. "He works real closely with two of our seniors, Jack and James Zwettler.

"He's a tough runner. Even as a freshman, he was always mentally strong. So, it was good seeing him doing that up there and having the confidence to run well. He's going to keep growing, and he's got a lot more to go."

Chancellor said he is looking forward to continued growth for the boys squad as well.

"We felt like we could have been a little higher in the team placing," Chancellor said. "But I'm not disappointed with what they did at all."

• **On deck:** Mount Horeb will compete at the Deerfield/Cambridge Division 2 sectional on Friday. The top two teams and top five individuals not on one of the two qualifying teams also advance to state.

The Vikings' girls placed fifth at state a year ago with Vigliotta and Straka placing 10th and 24th, respectively.

Oct. 19

Badger Small Conference Meet

GIRLS

Team scoring: 1, Mount Horeb, 35; 2, Sauk Prairie, 68; 3, McFarland, 77; 4, Baraboo, 99; 5, Madison Edgewood, 133; 6, Stoughton, 134; 7, Portage, 189; 8, Reedsburg, 215.

Top 16 individuals: 1, Willa Vigliotta, MH, 19:51.8; 2, Mia Caygill, MH, 20:11.7; 3, Erin Schauer, ME, 20:22.5; 4, Aaliyah Bermudo, SP, 20:38.2; 5, Brooke DeShong, McF, 20:46.9; 6, Hannah Kirch, McF, 20:52.6; 7, Julia Straka, MH, 20:55.3; 8, Taylor Sperl, B, 20:56.7; 9, Ellie Larson, MH, 20:58.4; 10, Ada Geiger, McF, 21:00.5; 11, Bailey Wagner, McF, 21:00.7; 12, Emelia Hopper, St, 21:06.9; 13, Sydney Dobush, B, 21:16.1; 14, Savannah Liegel, SP, 21:19.6; 15, Clarissa Brickl, SP, 21:20.6; 16, Maeve True, MH, 21:21.6.

Mount Horeb finishers: 1, Willa Vigliotta, 19:51.8; 2, Mia Caygill, 20:11.7; 7, Julia Straka, 20:55.3; 9, Ellie Larson, 20:58.4; 16, Maeve True, MH, 21:21.6; 23, Emily Wittenwyler, 22:03.4; 25, Lily Wahl, 22:14.7.

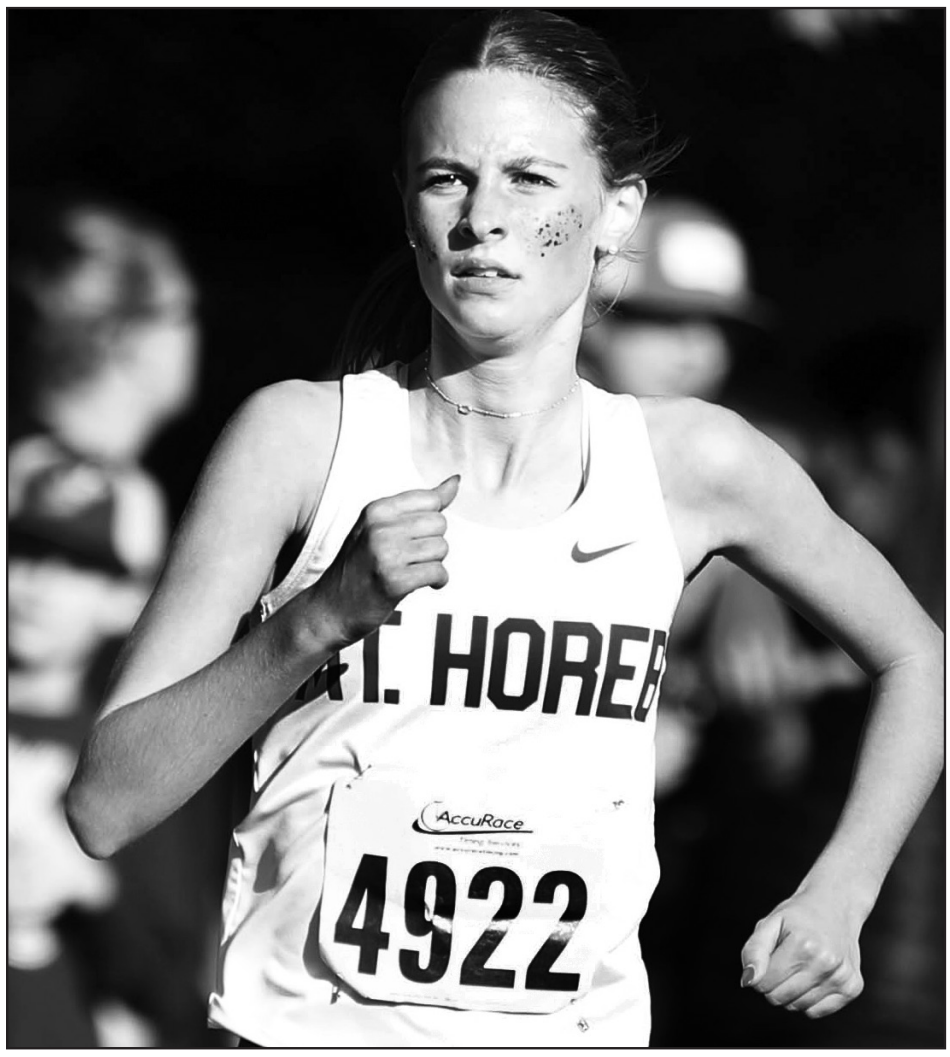
BOYS

Team scoring: 1, Baraboo, 42; 2, Stoughton, 70; 3, McFarland, 73; 4, Reedsburg, 119; 5, Sauk Prairie, 119; 6, Mount Horeb, 129; 7, Madison Edgewood, 159; 8, Portage, 249.

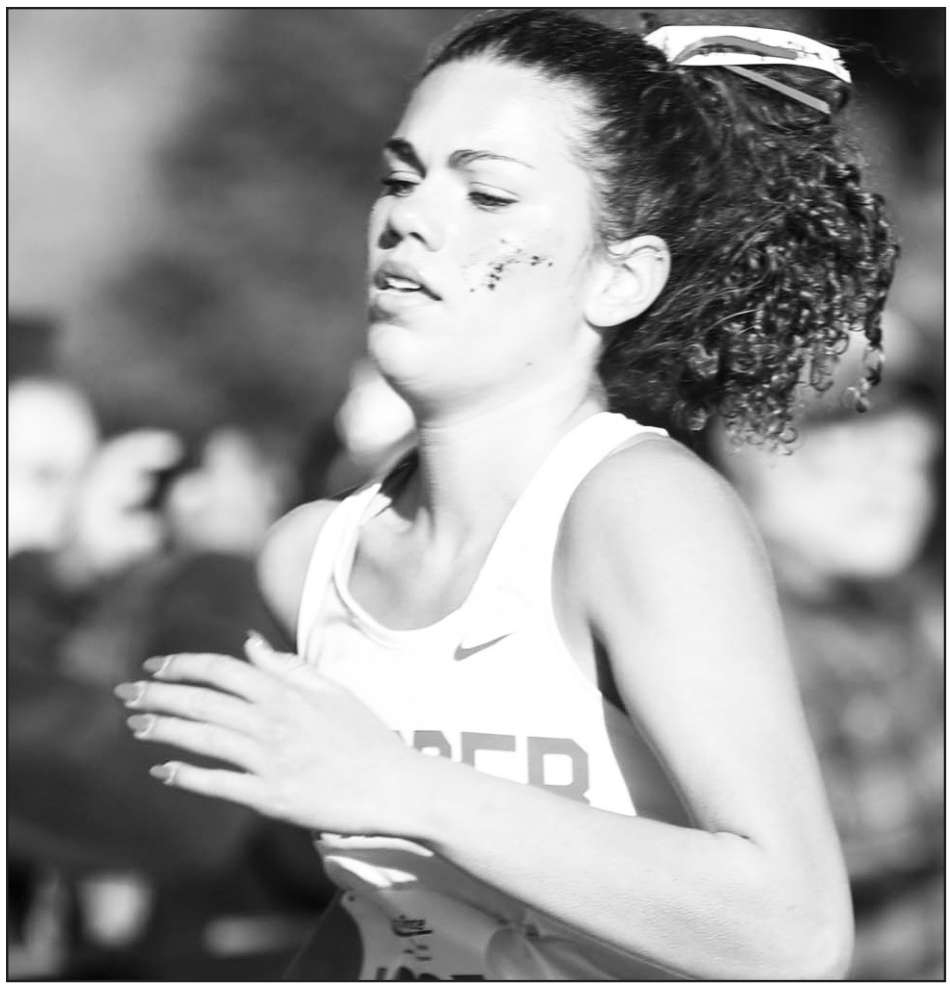
Top 16 individuals: 1, Isaac Ewing, McF, 16:25.9; 2, Elijah Judd, St, 16:32.0; 3, Henry Piec, McF, 16:41.6; 4, Brody Bjorklund, Baraboo, 17:00.4; 5, Will Boettcher, Baraboo, 17:08.5; 6, Ethan Zywicki, St, 17:17.7; 7, Alex Smith, St, 17:25.0; 8, Victor Martinez, R, 17:29.7; 9, Dylan Davies, B, 17:30.4; 10, Jesse Dunse, R, 17:42.6; 11, Keinan Jones, B, 17:50.0; 12, Blake Doolan, McF, 18:00.7; 13, Enoch Hyzer, B, 18:00.9; 14, Joe Korthals, B, 18:08.1; 15, Jacob Wiegmann, SP, 18:11.6; 16, Austin Smith, SP, 18:14.9

Mount Horeb finishers: 17, Samuel Wyse, 18:16.8; 20, Jack Zwettler, 18:28.8; 27, James Zwettler, 18:42.5; 30, Noah Gibbs, 19:00.0; 35, Jaxon Hughes, 19:10.2; 39, Nicholai Solodin-Braun, 19:22.4; 40, Desmond Kelley, 19:23.4; 45, Blake Losenegger, 19:35.2.









Life in the fast lane

Clockwise from top, Mia Caygill, Julia Straka, Maeve True and Ellie Larson all had tremendous performances and helped Mount Horeb's girls cross country team win the Badger Small Conference championship last Saturday. Photos courtesy of Mary Langenfeld



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Ava Newman and Mount Horeb's girls swimming team defeated Sauk Prairie, 86-84, on Oct. 15. Photo courtesy of Mary Langenfeld

MoHo swimmers edge Sauk Prairie

Vikings also finish seventh at Fort Atkinson Invitational

by ROB REISCHEL
Sports Editor

Mount Horeb's girls swimming team edged Sauk Prairie, 86-84, in a Badger Small Conference dual meet on Oct. 15.

Mount Horeb's 200-yard medley relay team of CeCe Watson, Clem Christian, Sam Hanson and Nina Paterson finished first. The Vikings' 200-yard freestyle relay team of Paterson, Siobhan Mertz, Caitlin Patrick-Stern and Ava Newman was second.

And Mount Horeb's 400-yard freestyle relay team of Patrick-Stern, Mertz, Madeline Evans and Newman was also second.

Newman won the 200-yard freestyle and Patrick-Stern was third. Newman also won the 500-yard freestyle and Patrick-Stern was second.

Evans won the 100-yard butterfly and Sam Hanson was third. Mertz won the 100-yard breaststroke and Christian was third.

Watson and Delilah Gasch were second and third, respectively, in the 200-yard IM. Paterson and Mertz were second and third in the 50-yard freestyle.

Watson was second in the 100-yard backstroke and Paterson was third in the 100-yard freestyle.

FORT ATKINSON INVITE

The Vikings finished seventh at the 11-team Fort Atkinson Invite last Saturday.

Monona Grove won the meet with 419 points, while the Vikings had 163 points.

Mount Horeb's top-10 finishers included:

• Ava Newman won the 500-yard freestyle and was third in the 200-yard freestyle.

• Madeline Evans was ninth in the 100-yard butterfly.

• Caitlin Patrick-Stern was 10th in the 200-yard IM.

• The quartet of Patrick-Stern, Nina Paterson, Siobhan Mertz and Newman were fifth in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

• Mount Horeb's 400-yard freestyle relay team of Patrick-Stern, Evans, Mertz and Newman were seventh.

TOWN OF PERRY NOTICE OF ELECTION NOVEMBER 5, 2024

Notice is hereby given of a General Election to be held in the Town of Perry on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.

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Mary L. Price, Clerk

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Alyssa Gaffney
Village Clerk

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC TEST

Notice is hereby given that a Public Test of the Optical Scan tabulating equipment to be used at the election on November 5 in the Town of Vermont will be conducted on Monday October 28 at 1:00 pm at the Vermont Town Hall, 4017 County Road JJ, Black Earth, WI 53515.

Katie Zelle
Clerk - Town of Vermont

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TOWN OF PERRY PUBLIC TEST – VOTING EQUIPMENT TOWN HALL, 10084 CTH A MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2024 11:00 AM

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Mary L. Price, Town Clerk

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Pursuant to s. 70.45, Wis. Stats., the Town of Cross Plains assessment roll for the year 2024 assessment will be open for examination by all taxpayers on Monday the 28th day of October 2024. Associated Appraisal Consultants will be at the Town Hall (Kalscheur Park) from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm or you can call them at the following phone number: 920-749-1995.

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Nancy Meinholz, Clerk

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for General Election – November 5, 2024
[WI §5.84, 6.02, 6.28, 6.29, 6.86]
Town of Perry Town Hall, 10084 County Highway A

In Person Absentee Voting, Registration and Ballot Drop-off.
Saturday, October 26th 9:00AM to 12:30PM
Saturday, November 2nd 9:00AM to 12:30PM
or by Mail
by Appointment – after Oct. 22 [WI §6.86]

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TOWN OF PERRY PUBLIC NOTICE TIRE COLLECTION DAYS

The Town of Perry will hold two tire collection days – Saturday, November 2 and Saturday, November 9, 2024.

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	$ 6.00
Small truck or implement tire	$ 8.00
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Large tractor tire	$ 35.00

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.

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TOWN OF PERRY 2025 TOWN BUDGET HEARING SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ELECTORS
Perry Town Hall
10084 County Highway A
Teleconference - 425-585-6272 access - 394-722-206 #
Thursday, November 7, 2024
7:30 PM

Notice is hereby given that at 7:30 PM on Thursday, November 7, 2024 at the Perry Town Hall a Public Hearing will be held on the proposed 2025 Town Budget.

Notice is hereby given that immediately following completion of the Public Hearing, which begins at 7:30 PM on Thursday, November 7, 2024 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 purposes:

1. To establish the compensation of elective town offices pursuant to Section 60.32(1)(a) of Wis. Statutes.
2. To adopt the 2024 Town tax levy*, to be paid in 2025 pursuant to WI §60.10(1)(a) of Wis. Statutes.

Summary of the proposed 2025 Town Budget**

	2025	2024
Cash Balance Jan. 1	$151,027	520,709
Revenues:		
Taxes: General Allowable Levy*	311,000	375,000
Intergovernmental Revenues	162,731	139,109
Licenses and Permits	1,550	2,150
Grants	1,985	42,500
Loan Proceeds	165,000	50,000
Miscellaneous	22,402	53,205
Total Revenues	664,668	661,964
Expenditures:		
General Government	247,688	605,292
Public Works	203,750	209,100
Capital Outlay	150,000	235,000
Debt Service	116,506	96,533
Total Expenditures	717,944	1,145,925
Cash Balance Dec. 31:	$ 97,751	36,748

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

** 2025 proposed Budget is available on the Town's website www.perry-wi.gov or from the Clerk.

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to 9-0 overall and 7-0 in the league.

MH-B won its 25th straight conference game and is 20-1 overall since the beginning of the 2023 season.

"We are like the Packers," St. Arnauld said. "We build in the draft, or in our case, we focus a lot on our younger guys and making sure they have all the tools and fundamentals. We don't put a lot into our wins and losses at our JV or freshman levels because we know in two or three years it doesn't matter. Varsity is where you hang banners and put trophies in the case.

"We spend a lot of time on culture and how to be leaders. We have had good athletes come through, but we've also had a lot of 'We' guys, not 'Me' guys. You can win a lot of games with 'We' guys."

The Vikings have certainly done that, which left many scratching their heads when the WIAA released its postseason pairings last Saturday.

MH-B, one of just two undefeated teams in Division 3, did not receive one of the four No. 1 seeds that were handed out. Instead, the Vikings are a No. 2 seed and will host Sauk Prairie (5-4) Friday at 7 p.m. in a Level 1 game.

MH-B defeated the Eagles, 30-7, on Sept. 27.

Waukesha Catholic Memorial (7-2) received the No. 1 seed in the pod despite having two losses. The other No. 1 seeds in Division 3 were a two-loss New Berlin West team (7-2), and one-loss schools Grafton (8-1) and Medford (8-1).

Stoughton is the No. 3 seed in the MH-B's pod, followed by Reedsburg, Whitnall, Waterford, Sauk Prairie and New Berlin Eisenhower.

If the Vikings win their first game, they would host the winner of Stoughton-Waterford in Level 2. MH-B defeated Stoughton, 54-0, on Sept. 20.

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If seeds hold, the Vikings would travel to Catholic Memorial for a Level 3 contest.

"The (No.) 2 seed is what it is," said a befuddled St. Arnauld. "Of course we would have loved the possibility of hosting three games, but we have to focus on the things that we can control. Our motto all year has been anybody, anytime, anywhere — so we will get that opportunity and I am here for it."

The Vikings dominated Portage from start to finish, which is exactly what St. Arnauld believed would happen.

One week earlier, the Vikings were sluggish in a 16-0 win over Madison Edgewood in which they had 14 penalties. Afterwards, St. Arnauld quipped, "I wouldn't want to be Portage."

Indeed.

MH-B built a 46-0 lead by halftime, played its reserves the final two quarters and cruised to another convincing win. The Vikings finished the regular season outscoring their foes by an average of 41.6-12.0. MH-B eclipsed 40 points in five of its nine games and held five of its nine opponents to single digits.

This was another masterful performance as MH-B outgained Portage, 411-187, and used a 30-point second quarter to run away and hide.

"Portage is always a tough group," St. Arnauld said. "They work hard and fly people to the football, so I was happy with how we started. Told them, all gas no brake. I was glad they took it and left no doubt."

The Vikings had several standouts on this night.

Owen Preimesberger had six carries for 133 yards and three touchdowns. Chris Kiel caught three passes for 121 yards and two TDs.

Quarterback Brooks Hendrickson played only the first half and went 6-of-9 for 156 yards and two touchdowns. And reserve quarterback Aiden Aeschlimann played the second half and went 12-of-21 for 135 yards and a TD.

Perhaps the highlight of the night was when Aiden Aeschlimann and his brother, Owen Aeschlimann, hooked up for a second half completion.

"We left Owen in the game and we had Aiden throw him the ball," St. Arnauld said. "So it was an Aeschlimann to Aeschlimann connection."

The Vikings were connecting from the get-go in this one-sided affair.

Preimesberger had a 1-yard TD run just 3 minutes in, then Zach Maguire returned a blocked punt 28 yards for a score late in the period. MH-B added the two-point conversions after both scores and surged to a 16-0 lead.





On top, Talon Stoenner (33) and Zach Maguire (5) team up to tackle Portage running back Ryker Rockhill during Mount Horeb-Barneveld's win over the Warriors last Friday.

Above, offensive lineman Matthew Mahoney (74) and Owen Preimseberger celebrate a touchdown during the Vikings' win. Photos courtesy of Jim Wilson

Preimesberger ripped off a 30-yard TD run early in the second quarter, and the two-point conversion made it 24-0. Hendrickson and Kiel then hooked up for a 57-yard TD strike, and Jack Wilson's two-point run made it 32-0.

Preimesberger had another lengthy TD score — this time from 50 yards — with 8 minutes left in the first half to make it 39-0. Then Hendrickson and Kiel connected for a 63-yard TD to make it 46-0.

Aiden Aeschlimann threw his third varsity TD of the year early in the fourth quarter — a 29-yard strike to Owen Schultz — for the Vikings' final points.

Wilson led a terrific defensive effort with 10 tackles, while Maguire had nine tackles, Eli Maier had six and Talon Stoenner added five.

While St. Arnauld was thrilled with the Vikings' performance, he was perhaps happiest that MH-B finished with a season-low one penalty.

"That makes me elated," he said. "When you go from having north of 150 yards of penalties — we really wanted to tighten things up and play the game we know we are capable of playing."

Now, the Vikings hope to keep playing that game in the postseason — beginning with Sauk Prairie.

Preimesberger had a big night against the Eagles last month, with 175 rushing yards and three TDs. MH-B also held Sauk Prairie to just 202 yards of total offense.

The Eagles were 3-4 before rallying to make the postseason with wins over Stoughton and Madison Edgewood to finish the year.

"These kids came in with a goal this year," Sauk Prairie coach Randy Wallace said. "We didn't hit all our goals, but the biggest one was to take that next step and play an extra game.

"These kids have stayed resilient. They've done a great job this year overcoming everything that's come at them. We've been through a lot this year. We're excited to be here."

So are the Vikings, who reached Level 3 of the postseason last year — but are hoping for more this time around. That starts by taking care of business against Sauk Prairie.

"Sauk is an athletic group that can attack you in a variety of different ways," St. Arnauld said. "We need to contain (quarterback Landon) Schultz, get a lot of hats to the football, and push the tempo on offense. Our offense has been taking some big steps lately, and I am excited to see them get to work on Friday."

MOUNT HOREB/ BARNEVELD 53, PORTAGE 12

Portage ..... 0 0 6 6 — 12
MHB ..... 16 30 0 7 — 53

MHB — Owen Preimesberger, 1, run (Wilson run), 8:53, 1st

MHB — Zach Maguire, 28, returned blocked kick (Wilson run), 3:12, 4th

MHB — Owen Preimesberger, 30, run (Maguire pass from Brooks Hendrickson), 11:22, 2nd

MHB — Chris Kiel, 57, pass from Hendrickson (Wilson run), 9:34, 2nd

MHB — Preimesberger, 50, run (Maguire kick), 8:12, 2nd

MHB — Kiel, 63, pass from Hendrickson (Maguire kick), 1:40, 2nd

Portage — Austin Fries, 20, run (run failed), 2:45, 3rd

MHB — Owen Schultz, 29, pass from Aiden Aeschlimann (Maguire kick), 10:00, 4th

Portage — Daven Delgado, 71, run (run failed)

TEAM STATS

First downs — MHB 16, P 10. Rushes-yards — MHB 10-120, P 32-167. Passing yards — MHB 291, P 20. Passing (comp-att-int) -- MHB 18-30-0, P 4-10-0. Total yards — MHB 411, P 187. Penalties-yards — MHB 1-15, P 6-57. Fumbles-lost -- MHB 0-0, P 0-0.

INDIVIDUAL STATS

Passing (comp-att-yards-td-int): MHB -- Brooks Hendrickson 6-9-156-2-0, Aiden Aeschlimann 12-21-135-1-0; P Oskar Johnson 2-8-8-0-0, David Nadolski 1-1-7-0-0, Brody Kayartz 1-1-5-0-0.

Rushing: MHB — Owen Preimesberger 6-133, Evan Preimesberger 2-1, Aiden Aeschlimann 1-(-1), Brooks Hendrickson 1-(-13); P — Daven Delgado 2-85, Tristan Blunt 10-46, Austin Fries 2-35, David Nadolski 4-14, Jalen Kikkert 3-7, Alex Hartwig 5-4, Brody Kayartz 1-(-1), Oskar Johnson 5-(-23).

Receiving: MHB — Chris Kiel 3-121, Owen Krimmer 2-48, Owen Schultz 2-47, Cullen Olson 2-19, Owen Aeschlimann 2-19, Kaydn Schlimgen 1-16, Hayden Anderson 1-11, Owen Preimesberger 1-8, Evan Preimesberger 2-2. P — David Nadolski 1-8, Michael Nachreiner 1-7, Aidan Warfield 1-5.

Mount Horeb spikers receive a No. 2 seed

by ROB REISCHEL
Sports Editor

Mount Horeb's girls volleyball team received a No. 2 seed in its WIAA Division 2 sectional and received a first bye.

The Vikings will host either seventh-seeded Portage or 10th-seeded La Crosse Logan in a regional semifinal Thursday at 7 p.m.

The regional final is Saturday at 7 p.m., and if seeds hold, the Vikings would host third-seeded West Salem at 7 p.m.

The sectional semifinals are Oct. 31 and the sectional finals are Nov. 2.

"We are really excited to get going with the playoffs," Mount Horeb coach Josh Smelzer said. "We have been very focused all year at playing our best ball in mid-October.

"We are ranked in the top 10 in D2 in MaxPreps, which isn't everything, but it does confirm that we are playing very good ball right now.

"Our fans have been amazing this year, which gives us a huge boost of confidence while we host the first two rounds of the playoffs. We truly believe that we can play with anyone, so we are very excited for what's to come."

Mount Horeb finished the regular season with a 25-16, 25-14, 25-21 win over DeForest on Oct. 15.

Ruby Dahlk had 10 kills, three aces and 13 digs for the Vikings, while Jayse Holman had eight kills, three aces and eight digs. Finley Moore had seven kills, while Laila Rasmussen had 24 assists, five digs, three kills and two aces.

Eliza Zweifel had five kills, three aces and three digs, while Ella Kahl had three kills and three digs. Maya Newman added five digs, Morgan Monroe had four digs and Lizzy Messenberg had two aces.

The Vikings also honored their six seniors — middle hitter Eliza Zweifel, rightside, Jayse Holman, libero Kennedy Myers, outside hitter/defensive specialist Morgan Monroe, outside hitter/defensive specialist Ruby Dahlk and setter, Sydney Almquist.

"All six seniors started the first set, and they didn't disappoint," Smelzer said.



Kennedy Myers and Mount Horeb's girls volleyball team received the No. 2 seed in their WIAA Division 2 sectional. Photo courtesy of Mary Langenfeld

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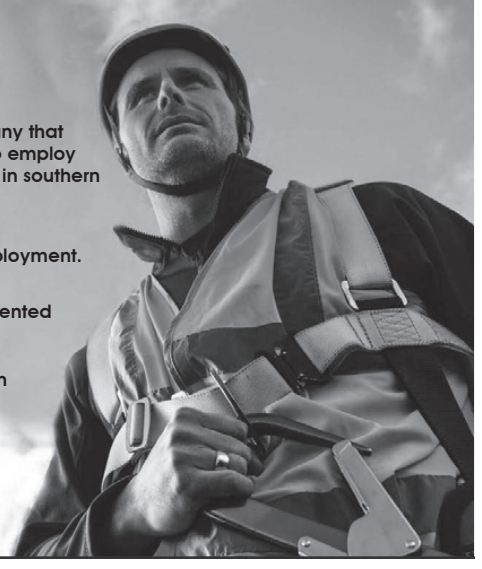
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