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	APPLETON NORTH	The Lightning will once again battle Kimberly for conference supremacy, returning First Team All-Conference running back Ethan Danz.
	ARROWHEAD	Two-time defending champs are the favs once again, with a strong junior group complimenting a senior class that has seen plenty of success.
	<b>BAY PORT</b>	Quarterback Alec Ingold is one of the top offensive playmakers in the state, able to take over a game with his arm or his legs.
	FRANKLIN	Last year's state runners-up lose prolific passer Sean McGuire, but may have state's best o-line, led by D1 recruits Vince Hughes & Bryan Beck.
ARROWHEAD	GERMANTOWN	There's talent up & down the roster, and this could be the year they end Homestead's run of at least a share of the North Shore title that sits at 13 straight.
	HUDSON	The Raiders are one of the most improved programs in the state over the last half decade and should keep things going strong despite big graduation losses.
15	MARQUETTE	Hilltoppers will feature one of the state's top passing attacks with senior QB Charlie Grief and D1 WRs Mike Thompson & Jake Matkovich.
	MUKWONAGO	Indians lose conference co-Players of the Year on offense & defense, but welcome back a group that includes 7 returning starters on both sides of the ball.
	OAK CREEK	Veterans on offense and defense include Northern Illinois recruit Nathan Veloz on the offensive line and the state's top senior defensive back in Elijah Strong.
	SUN PRAIRIE	All-State RB Noah Diaz will be joined in the backfield by junior J.P. Curran, who steps in for his brother Ryan, a 3-year starter, at the QB spot.
Johnny Duranso	others to watch	Badger, Eau Claire Memorial, Fond du Lac, Green Bay Preble, Janesville Craig, Kenosha Bradford, Kenosha Indian Trail, Madison La Follette, Madison Memorial, Manitowoc Lincoln, Menomonee Falls, Middleton, Muskego, Oconomowoc, Stevens Point, Verona, Wausau West

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	ASHWAUBENON	Senior James Morgan is ranked as the top QB in his class by WisSports. net and has plenty of weapons around him in the passing game.
schutt A	HOLMEN	The Vikings went unbeaten until a Level 3 OT loss to Oshkosh North, but lose a strong, deep senior class from that squad as they try to repeat in the MVC.
	HOMESTEAD	Senior QB Nick Allen, a solid o-line and UW commit David Pfaff on the d-line should keep the Highlanders among the state's elite teams.
	KIMBERLY	Defending champs are the favs again, as a strong defense combines with an explosive offense that features one of the state's top RB in junior Blair Mulholland.
Vine	MENASHA	The Bluejays make the move from the VFA to the Bay Conference this year, entering as the favorites after a state semi-final run last season.
NIMBER	MENOMONIE	Junior Nate Stanley already has a pair of BCS offers, and is joined in the talented Mustangs backfield by returning All-Conference running back Derek Kahl.
Wilson	OSHKOSH NORTH	Last year's runners-up lose VFA-South Player of the Year Nathan Neveau but return versatile senior All-Conference RB Alex Hintze & a solid group overall.
	SUSSEX HAMILTON	Workhorse back Drew Patterson has graduated but the team does return Isaiah Webb as an All-Conference back plus QB Mike Barnes.
	WAUKESHA WEST	The defense is loaded with talent, including Northern Illinois commit Marcus Kelly at DE, while Conor Blount has another year under his belt at the QB spot.
	WAUNAKEE	It was not the kind of year we expected from the Warriors, who should see improvement behind All-Conf RB Troy Laufenberg and transfer QB Casey Marksberry.
Blair Mulholland	others to watch	Brookfield Central, Brookfield East, Cedarburg, DeForest, Fort Atkinson, Green Bay Southwest, Greenfield, Hortonville, La Crosse Central, Marshfield, Merrill, Messmer/Shorewood, Slinger, South Milwaukee, Superior, Waterford, Watertown, Wauwatosa West, Whitefish Bay, Wilmot

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#### Division Four

· Name :	<b>BIG FOOT</b>	The Chieftains enter a new era as former Little Chute coach Greg Enz takes over for Rodney Wedig, who moved on to Beloit Memorial.
	COLUMBUS	The Cardinals took a big step forward in Year 1 under Coach Scott Hilber, and welcome back 7 players who garnered 1st or 2nd Team All-Conference.
	ELLSWORTH	The return of QB Emery Whalen has the Panthers ready to defend their Middle Border Conference title and shoot for a deep playoff run.
WINDEDDING	FREEDOM	5 playoff wins in the last 2 years has the Irish heading in the right direction under former NFL player Chris Kriewaldt, who won a Super Bowl with the Steelers.
	LITTLE CHUTE	The passing game will be strong under coach Brian Ryczkowski, who welcomes back QB Sam Merryfield and leading targets Scott Hietpas & Parker Gloudemans.
	MARSHALL	The Cardinals are looking to start a new streak after last season saw their seven-year run as Capitol-South champs come to an end.
	OMRO	The Foxes have been very successful in the Flyway after moving over from the EVC, and could challenge Springs behind 1500-yard rusher Chris Hess.
	SOMERSET	The Spartans way continues under legendary coach Bruce Larson, with outstanding two-way standout Max Praschak, who went for 24 TDs on the ground last year.
	WINNECONNE	Perhaps the most unlikely state champ in history, the Wolves went 4-5 before running to the title. They return Mitchell Markert & Ben Davis in the backfield.
	WRIGHTSTOWN	The Tigers are consistently one of the top teams in the division and 2014 should be no different for head coach Matt Binsfeld and company.
Mitchell Markert	others to watch	Altoona, Berlin, Black Rivers Falls, Brodhead/Juda, Chilton, Clinton, G-E-T, Lake Mills, Montello/Princeton/Green Lake, Nekoosa, New Glarus/Monticello, Northland Pines, Peshtigo, Platteville, Prescott, River Valley, Roncalli, Southern Door, Wautoma, Wisconsin Dells

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Division Six

	AMHERST	The 2012 state champs return 1st Team All-Conference QB Garrett Groshek and RB Connor Zblewski, who combined for 2800 rushing yards and 39 scores.
	ARCADIA	Coach Derek Updike welcomes back players that accounted for 10 All-Conference selections a year ago as the Raiders start as favorites in the Coulee.
<b>→</b> 0. <b>3</b>	BONDUEL	Hunter Vanderlinden will spearhead a balanced rushing attack after going for more than 1400 yards with 15 touchdowns in 2014.
A Comment of the	CAMBRIDGE	Bluejays could take a step forward with 1st Team All-Conf. RB Josh Owens, 1st Team TE Brydon Behm & 2nd Team QB John Garlewski.
STAIL!	CEDAR GROVE-BELGIUM	Favorites in the Central Lakeshore once again, coach Chris Zablocki's crew welcomes back First Team All-Conference RB Aaron Chier.
Dilson S	COLBY	The strength of the team will be up front on both sides of the ball as the Hornets break in new skill position players.
	LANCASTER	State runners-up the last 3 years, the Flying Arrows feature an explosive offense with QB Nate Tranel, FB Tyler Glass & versatile wingback Brett Snider.
	MARATHON	The Raiders became the first program not named Edgar or Stratford to get a piece of the Marawood title since 2003, sharing the crown with both schools.
	POYNETTE	Nine All-Conference selections return for the Pumas as they push for a Capitol-North title and deep playoff run.
	STANLEY-BOYD	The defending champs will be in the mix once again, with outstanding two-way players like Ronny Ponick and Zach Turner leading the way.
Zach Turner	others to watch	Bloomer, Brillion, Chetek-Weyerhaeuser, Durand, Fall Creek, Kenosha St. Joseph, Kewaunee, Laconia, Mondovi, Northern Elite, Oostburg, Racine St. Catherine's, Stratford, Waterloo, Westby, Westfield, Winnebago Lutheran

#### Players that received 9 All-Conf. spots are back as the Wolves try to claim a 2nd-**ALGOMA** straight title in what could be the last year of the Olympian-Packerland Small. The Bluejays return players that accounted for all 13 All-Conference selections **ATHENS** but enter 2014 with a new coach, as Mike Thurs takes over for Ryan Bargender. Preston Droessler was a First Team All-Conference pick as both a QB **CUBA CITY** and DB last season, leading the team in both passing and rushing. Last year's D6 runners-up had 3 1,000-yard rushers, and 2 of them return this DARLINGTON season: Myles Leahy (1574 yards, 21 TD) and Jason Singer (1257 yards, 21 TD). Wildcats shared the Marawood title last year after claiming 5 straight unbeaten **EDGAR** league titles, and will be in the thick of it once again under coach Jerry Sinz. The Panthers will look to compete with Darlington and Cuba City at the top of **IOWA-GRANT** the SWAL behind the return of 1600-yard rusher Luke Nowak. Head coach Jim Lippe has a talented group of skill position players and depth **OZAUKEE** up and down the roster thanks to the return of 14 All-Conference selections. The Ramblers have a pair of Division 1 prospects in lineman Nolan **REGIS** Kern and versatile RB/DB Jaxon Brown, who has committed to NDSU. Ledgers went out in Level 4 last season after 4 straight trips to the title game, and ST. MARY'S SPRINGS could be a threat again under the state's all-time winningest coach Bob Hyland. The defending champs lose a talented senior class but have depth in the pro-**SHIOCTON** gram to keep them competing towards the top of their conference and division. Brookwood, Deerfield, Hurley, Iola-Scandinavia, Lourdes Academy, Manitowoc Lutheran, others to watch

Necedah, Pardeeville, Pecatonica/Argyle, Reedsville, Rosholt, Spring Valley, Webster, Whitehall

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	ALMOND-BANCROFT	The Eagles will rely heavily on CWC-10 Offensive Player of the Year Reegan Anderson, who rushed for more than 1800 yards and 23 TDs last season.
-Riodoller	<b>BLACK HAWK</b>	Last year's Division 7 champions welcome back All-Conference quarterback Heath Butler as well as a strong front seven on defense.
	CATHOLIC CENTRAL	An outstanding group of skill position players could lead to the Hilltoppers first trip to the state championship since finishing as the runners-up in 2010.
	FALL RIVER	After an undefeated regular season in 2014, the Pirates are ready for more behind RB Kip Castellano and appropriately-named All-Conference OL Hunter Tank (6-6, 275).
HH	GREENWOOD/GRANTON	The backfield is very talented for the G2 co-op, which won the 2011 state title, and improvements on defense could have them deep in the postseason again.
D &	ITHACA	Many D7 teams don't have 19 players on their entire roster, but that's how many starting positions head coach Chad Clary has coming back this season.
	LAKE COUNTRY LUTHERAN	9 playoff wins in the last 5 years, including a state semi-final trip last year, could set the stage for a championship run in 2014 behind a talented returning group.
	OWEN-WITHEE	Cloverwood Player of the Year Bryce Niemi and 10-TD man Austin Milliren give coach Terry Laube a dangerous backfield as they compete for a league title.
	PITTSVILLE	Playing in the very challenging Marawood doesn't make it easy on the Panthers, but they do welcome back highly productive RB Nathan Dupee.
	POTOSI	Chieftains bring back starting QB, leading rusher, promising underclassmen and a First Team All-Conference OL as they try to knock off Black Hawk in the Six Rivers.
Heath Butler	others to watch	Bangor, Clear Lake, Cochrane-Fountain City, De Soto, Gilman, Glenwood City, Hillsboro, Independence/Gilmanton, Loyal, New Lisbon, North Crawford, Pepin/Alma, Port Edwards, Randolph, Weston



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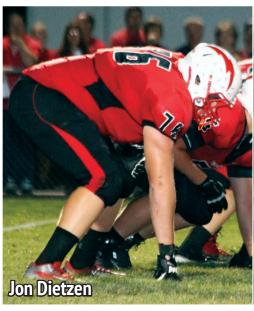
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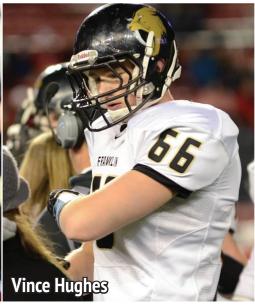
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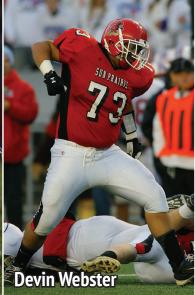
- **1. Jon Dietzen, Seymour, 6'5", 330, OL** Dietzen was the first to receive a Division 1 offer, the first to receive an offer from Wisconsin, and the first to commit to the home-state Badgers. He was a 1st Team All-Conference and WFCA 1st Team All-State selection a year ago for the Thunder.
- **2. David Pfaff, Homestead, 6'3", 240, DL** A First Team All-State pick last season, Pfaff recorded 12 tackles for loss and 6 sacks, giving a verbal commitment to Wisconsin in the off-season, as the latest in a line of outstanding defensive linemen to come from the Highlanders program.
- **3. Vince Hughes, Franklin, 6'6", 240, OL** Hughes was a First Team All-Conference and WFCA Honorable Mention All-State selection last season, helping the Sabers offense put up outstanding numbers en route to Division 1 runner-up finish. He is committed to Northern Illinois.
- **4. James Morgan, Ashwaubenon, 6'4", 200, QB** Morgan, who is committed to Bowling Green, is one of the most polished and college-ready quarterback prospects to come out of the state in some time, with good size, arm, accuracy, and athletic ability. After throwing for more than 2500 yards with 26 touchdowns, he was the FRCC Offensive Player of the Year.
- **5. Jake Whalen, Wausau West, 6'2", 220, LB** Whalen is an outstanding all-around athlete that earned 1st Team All-Conference as both a linebacker and fullback last season plus WFCA Honorable Mention All-State recognition as a linebacker. He was athletic enough to rush for 245 yards and 3 touchdowns in a win over rival Wausau East as well.
- **6. Jordan Steckler, Two Rivers, 6'5", 280, OL** Steckler was a 2nd Team All-Conference choice on both sides of the ball last year, and racked up nearly a dozen D1 offers before choosing Northern Illinois.
- **7. Alec Ingold, Bay Port, 6'1", 205, QB/ATH** An All-Conference running back as a sophomore, he moved to quarterback last season and accounted for more than 2200 yards and 23 touchdowns as a dynamic multi-dimensional threat. He'll head to Northern Illinois.
- **8. Marcus Kelly, Waukesha West, 6'4", 230, DL** Kelly long-levered with good athletic ability, earning Second Team All-Conference recognition in the Classic Eight. He committed to Northern Illinois back in June on a visit to the school.
- **9. Demaris Purifoy, Wauwatosa West, 6'1", 180, RB** Purifoy went for 1132 yards and 13 touchdowns in 10 games, averaging 9.9 yards per carry as one of the top big-play threats in the state. He enters his senior season with more than a half dozen Division 1 scholarship offers.

- **10. Bryan Beck, Franklin, 6'6", 271, OL** Beck was a Second Team All-Conference selection in the Southeast Conference last season. He's been busy in the off-season, receiving D1-FCS scholarship offers from Western Illinois, Montana State, South Dakota State, and New Mexico State
- **11.** Elijah Strong, Oak Creek, 5'11", 165, DB Strong, a 2-time 1st Team All-Conference pick, is a classic cover corner that teams rarely challenge. He has one offer from Air Force currently, and interest from many other schools.
- **12. Andrew Poenitsch, Sussex Hamilton, 6'4", 265, OL** Poenitsch, a Ball State commit, has good size and strength along the offensive front for head coach John Damato. He does a nice job pulling for inside trap blocks and getting to the outside on perimeter runs, and showed his versatility by also lining up at tight end for the Chargers.
- **13. Nathan Veloz, Oak Creek, 6'4", 310, OL** Veloz will be a four-year starter for the Knights, earning First Team All-Conference recognition in the SEC as a junior. His size and skills earned him a handful of Division 1 offers before he gave a commitment to Northern Illinois.
- **14.** Jaxon Brown, Regis, 6'2", 190, DB Brown was a playmaker all over the field for the Ramblers last season, making big plays on offense as both a runner and receiver, plus the defensive side of the ball. A secondary prospect at the next level, he's committed to North Dakota State.
- **15.** Da'Rion King, Racine Case, 6'5", 230, TE Last season he caught 15 passes for 281 yards as a First Team All-Conference selection. King is also a standout basketball player, rated as the #17 prospect in the class by WSN's Mark Miller. He committed to Western Illinois as a tight end in June.
- **16. Andrew Ruzek, Stevens Point, 6'6", 241, DL** Ruzek was a 1st Team All-Conference choice last season, recording 47 tackles, 8 tackles for loss, and a sack. He has a very projectable frame at 6-6, 241 pounds, and his length is a big-time asset in creating havoc in the backfield.
- 17. Cole Karcz, Germantown, 6'5", 225, TE/DE As a Second Team All-Conference tight end, he caught 12 passes for 231 yards and 2 touchdowns. Over on defense he recorded 12 tackles for loss and deflected 8 passes. He's received scholarship offers from North Dakota State and South Dakota.
- **18. Dyson Chmura, Waukesha West, 6'3", 190, DB/H-Back** Chmura is extremely versatile, and could wind up at linebacker, defensive back, or h-back at the next level. He'll line up as a defensive end for the Wolverines this season.

# TOP50SENIORS









- **19. Robert Pavletich, Neenah, 6'5", 285, OL** Pavletich lined up at right tackle for the Rockets last season, earning Honorable Mention All-Conference recognition in the VFA-South. After receiving an offer from Eastern Michigan this spring he gave the Eagles a verbal commitment.
- **20. Devin Webster, Sun Prairie, 6'2", 300, DL** Webster was a First Team All-Conference selection and also earned WFCA All-Region recognition, recording 42 tackles, 10 tackles for loss, and 2 sacks a year ago.
- **21. Mike Thompson, Marquette, 6'2", 172, WR** As a First Team All-Conference and WFCA Honorable Mention All-State selection last season, Thompson caught 68 passes for 1166 yards and 9 touchdowns. With 4.52 second speed in the 40-yard dash and great agility, he is a threat on deep passes or short routes. Air Force has offered.
- **22.** Josh Ringelberg, Greendale, 5'11", 183, QB A WFCA First Team All-State selection, Ringelberg led the Panthers to an unbeaten regular season and Division 2 runner-up finish last season. He completed 67.4% of his passes for 3172 yards and 41 touchdowns with a 131.8 passer rating as the Woodland-West Offensive Player of the Year.
- **23. Zack Baun, Brown Deer, 6'3", 192, QB/ATH** Last year he was one of the most dangerous offensive weapons in the state, doing much of his damage on the ground. In 11 games, he carried the ball 229 times for 2086 yards and 28 touchdowns. He also threw for 1125 yards and 7 scores, earning Woodland-East Player of the Year honors
- **24.** John Marita, Homestead, 6'3", 260, OL Marita's strength right now is in run blocking, where he excels going head to head with a defender across from him but also on the frequent trap blocks in the Homestead offense and getting to the second level. He has an offer from South Dakota plus interest from North Dakota State and Drake.
- **25.** Jake Matkovich, Marquette, 6'5", 174, WR Matkovich was part of one of the state's most prolific passing attacks last season, catching 52 balls for 858 yards and 9 touchdowns en route to Second Team All-Conference recognition in the Greater Metro. Like teammate Mike Thompson, he has an Air Force offer.
- **26.** Jason Erdmann, Slinger, 6'6", 305, DL/OL Erdmann is a physically dominating lineman who earned First Team All-Conference recognition on both sides of the ball as a junior. As a defensive lineman he recorded 54 tackles, and 7 tackles for loss last season.
- **27.** Josh Sromovsky, Oregon, 6'2", 185, WR Just as he did as a sophomore, Sromovsky showed his versatility by lining up all over the field for the Wildcats. He was the team's leading receiver and also took a number of jet sweeps and other handoffs in the running game. He

holds a scholarship offer from Northern Iowa.

- **28. Zac Hawn, Menasha, 6'3", 225, TE** Lining up almost exclusively as an in-line tight end, he was a factor for quarterback Tyler Johnson, catching 10 passes for 182 yards and one score., earning First Team All-Conference recognition. He received an offer from South Dakota this spring.
- **29.** Ricky Williams, Edgerton, 5′7″, 140, RB Williams burst on the scene last year to lead the state in rushing with 2349 yards, averaging 9.5 yards per carry with 26 touchdowns. He helped Edgerton to the Rock Valley-North title last year, earning First Team All-Conference and WFCA All-State recognition.
- **30. Noah Diaz, Sun Prairie, 6'0", 175, RB** Diaz entered the 2013 season as #3 on the depth chart but quickly moved up to be a difference-maker for the Cardinals. He rushed for 1327 yards and 14 touchdowns in just 8 games, earning First Team All-Conference and WFCA First Team All-State recognition.
- **31. Mitch Zillman, Marshfield, 5'11", 200, LB** Zillman enters his third year as a starter and standout performer for the Tigers. In the last two seasons, has combined for more than 200 tackles, earning First Team All-Conference recognition in the VFA-South last year.
- **32. Troy Laufenberg, Waunakee, 5'11", 173, RB** After showing promise in limited action as a sophomore, he took over the primary running back spot last season, earning Unanimous First Team All-Conference recognition after rushing for 1425 yards and 21 touchdowns. He's also an outstanding kicker and punter.
- **33.** Ty DeForest, Marshall, 6'1", 210, LB DeForest is a two-way standout for the Cardinals, as he led the team in rushing last season with more than 900 yards and 12 touchdowns, but is best known for his exploits on defense. On that side of the ball he earned WFCA 1st Team All-State selection after recording 116 tackles, 16 tackles for loss, and 3 sacks last season.
- **34. Blair Van Ess, Bay Port, 6'1", 165, WR** Last year he caught 41 passes for 703 yards and 7 touchdowns, earning Second Team All-Conference recognition in the FRCC. He was also used frequently on jet sweeps, carrying the ball 24 times for 158 yards and a score.
- **35. Aric Elmore, La Crosse Logan, 5'10", 175, WR** There may not be a more explosive player in the state with the ball in his hands than Elmore. He caught 40 passes for 478 yards and 6 touchdowns, ran it 33 times for 332 yards and 5 scores, and had 5 return touchdowns (3 kickoffs, 2 punts) plus a couple other return scores called back on penalties.

# TOP50SENIORS

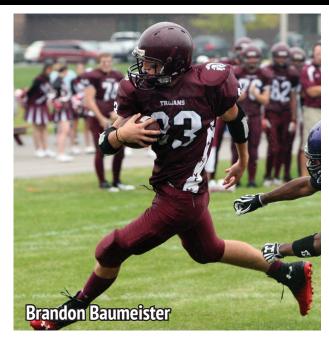
- **36.** Bret Verstegen, Kimberly, 6'0", 165, DB The son of former Badger & NFL offensive lineman Mike Verstegen, Bret is very physical and athletic, usually matched up against the opponent's best receiver.
- 37. Gunnar Roberge, Seymour, 6'4", 290, DL As a First Team All-Conference selection last season he recorded 32 tackles, 8 tackles for loss, and 2.5 sacks playing both end and tackle in the team's even-man front.
- **38.** Sam Plucker, Kimberly, 6'2", 230, LB Plucker was a key contributor last year as the Papermakers posted a dominating season culminating in the Division 2 state title. He was named an Honorable Mention All-Conference selection in the VFA-North.
- **39.** Sam Gromacki, Catholic Memorial, 5'10", 264, DL Gromacki was a First Team All-Conference selection in the highly competitive Classic Eight Conference and WFCA Honorable Mention All-State choice. He recorded 55 tackles from his defensive line spot with 15 tackles for loss and 4 sacks.
- **40.** Nick Radloff, Waukesha West, 6'1", 215, LB Radloff earned Second Team All-Conference recognition in the Classic Eight last year. He plays middle linebacker for the Wolverines, and is likely an inside linebacker at the next level.
- **41.** Jameson Verdegan, Notre Dame, 5'11", **200, LB** Verdegan did a little bit of everything for the Tritons last season, including

- running the football, returning kicks, and especially excelling as a linebacker. He was a First Team All-Conference choice in the FRCC and earned WFCA Honorable Mention All-State recognition.
- **42. Caleb Prince, Menomonie, 5'10", 224, LB** Last season he was a Second Team All-Conference selection in the Big Rivers, and will be one of the team leaders in 2014. He's a natural middle linebacker, with a stocky build that helps him have great leverage when taking on blockers and ballcarriers.
- **43.** Ty Ramirez, Greendale, 6'2", 200, LB Ramirez was all over the field for head coach Rob Stoltz, earning First Team All-Conference recognition as an outside linebacker, seeing considerable time as an H-Back/tight, and even taking direct snaps and running the ball.
- **44.** Nolan Kern, Regis, 6'3", 325, OL/DL Kern has been a two-way standout for the Ramblers since his freshman season, earning First Team All-Conference recognition on offense all three years so far during his high school career.
- **45.** Chase Scharnek, Waukesha West, 6'3", 180, WR Scharnek had a strong junior campaign, catching 12 passes for 268 yards and a pair of touchdowns, earning Honorable Mention All-Conference recognition in the Classic Eight.
- **46. Matt Kinderman, Xavier, 6'1", 170, WR** Kinderman is a versatile athlete that really

- excelled in Xavier's high-powered offense last year. He caught 81 passes for 1169 yards and 14 touchdowns as a junior, earning First Team All-Conference and WFCA Honorable Mention All-State recognition.
- **47.** Charlie Greif, Marquette, 6'1", 191, QB Greif was fourth in the state with 2819 passing yards last season, completing 59.9% of his passes with 27 touchdowns. He was very productive against one of the best schedules in the state, helping the Hilltoppers bounce back for a Greater Metro title last year.
- **48.** Elijah Perine, Homestead, 6'3", 285, OL Perine successfully made the transition from defensive line to offensive line, but carried that aggressive mentality to the offensive side of the ball. He was a First Team All-Conference and WFCA All-Region selection last year as a junior.
- **49. Levi O'Brien, Xavier, 5'10", 165, WR** O'Brien teamed with Matt Kinderman to give Xavier the most productive receiver duo in the state last year, which isn't surprising considering the passing records quarterback Matt Ferris set. He hauled in 67 passes for 1292 yards with 17 touchdowns.
- 50. Tyler Glass, Lancaster, 6'1", 210, FB Glass is the latest in a long line of highly productive fullbacks in the Flying Arrows' option offense. He carried the ball 209 times for 1743 yards and 28 touchdowns as Lancaster took home a third straight Division 5 runner-up trophy.



# SMALLSGHOOLS LEEPERS







Reegan Anderson, Almond-Bancroft

– Anderson was the league's Offensive Player of the Year after rushing for more than 1800 yards with 23 touchdowns. Last season he went over the 200-yard mark on four occasions, with a seasonhigh 252 yards in a 41-0 win over Wausaukee in a non-conference contest. He earned First Team All-Conference at linebacker as well, recording 97 total tackles, 11 tackles for loss, and 3 interceptions.

Garrett Blaeske, Jefferson – Jefferson has a history of producing outstanding running backs that put up big numbers, and Blaeske is the latest in that lineage. After going for 1002 yards and 6 touchdowns as a sophomore, he upped it to 1570 yards and 20 touchdowns as a junior. A First Team All-Conference selection, he has the strength to run inside or take tosses to the outside.

Brandon Baumeister, North Crawford

– Baumeister spent his freshman and sophomore years on the varsity team, but wasn't prominently featured in the Trojans backfield. That changed last season, and resulted in an outstanding junior campaign. The First Team All-Conference running back carried the ball 212 times in 11 games for 2024 yards and 27 touchdowns, averaging 9.5 yards per rush attempt.

Matt LaFaunge, Black Rivers Falls – La-Faunge has been one of the state's most productive receivers the last two years. As a sophomore he caught 35 passes for 738 yards and 6 touchdowns. He upped that to 45 catches for 858 yards and 16 scores last season as a First Team All-Conference selection. He is equally adept at taking screens and short passes and turning them into big gains plus getting open downfield on the outside. He does a great job setting up routes, especially right off the line.

Cole LaLiberty, Chetek-Weyerhaeuser

– LaLiberty is a dominating presence on both sides of the line for head coach Bill Knickerbocker. Last season he was a two-way First Team All-Conference and two-way WFCA Honorable Mention All-State selection. He could wind up on either side of the ball at the next level, but at 6-2, his height may project better on defense. On defense he uses his strength to get a push on the offensive lineman, but also has good feet and hands.

Bryce Niemi, Owen-Withee – Niemi rushed for nearly 700 yards and 8 touchdowns as a sophomore, and took it up a notch as a junior, carrying the ball 191 times for 1490 yards and 18 touchdowns.

He was a First Team All-Conference and WFCA All-Region choice and was named the Offensive Player of the Year in the Cloverwood. He's a tough inside runner with the speed to go the distance once he gets I the open field.

Ronny Ponick, Stanley-Boyd – It's hard to imagine a season going better than 2013 did for Ronny Ponick. The Orioles went undefeated during the regular season and captured a Division 5 state championship, he was a First Team All-Conference selection as a running back and linebacker, and earned Co-Defensive Player of the Year recognition in the Cloverbelt. He recorded 83 tackles and 10 tackles for loss for head coach Jeff Koenig.

Max Praschak, Somerset – Praschak is a two-way standout at both running back and linebacker. Oh by the way, he also won a state track & field title in the 110 hurdles and finished third at the D2 state wrestling meet at 182 pounds. Praschak usually lined up at the fullback spot in the team's option offense and his strength and balance from wrestling certainly helped him grind out yards inside. Once he broke into the clear, his track speed allowed him to hit for numerous big plays. He finished with 257 carries for 1433 yards and 24 touchdowns, adding 87 tackles and 17 tackles for loss on defense.

Ethan Seubert, Marathon – Seubert is a two-way standout for the Red Raiders, and could certainly have been ranked at running back as well. Not only was he a First Team All-Conference selection as both a running back and linebacker, he earned WFCA Honorable Mention All-State recognition at both positions as well. In addition to rushing for more than 1200 yards and 24 touchdowns, he recorded 33 tackles, 7 tackles for loss, and 3 sacks on defense.

Nate Tranel, Lancaster – Among the staples of the numerous highly successful Lancaster football teams over the years has been a poised, versatile quarterback to direct the option attack. Tranel could be one of the best at the position under head coach John Hoch. Last season he was the SWC Offensive Player of the Year after passing for 1127 yards and 14 touchdowns while rushing for 1181 yards and 20 scores. He's very good at running the triple option, using his size and speed to break into the clear on keepers. On rollouts, play action, or straight dropbacks, he has good mechanics and does a good job keeping his eyes downfield to connect with receivers.

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Further information including watch lists, updates, player stats, and articles will be published on WisSports.net throughout the year, so be sure to visit often.

## AWARD REPRESENTATIVES AND PAST WIND

#### QB - Dave Krieg, DC Everest & Milton College

2013 Winner - Matt Ferris, Xavier

2012 Winner - Tarek Yaeggi, Watertown

2011 Winner - Jay Tollefson, West De Pere

2010 Winner - Lance Baretz, Franklin

2009 Winner - Trey Demler, Oshkosh West

## RB – Elroy "Crazylegs" Hirsch, Wausau HS & UW 2013 Winner - Ike Floyd, St. Mary's Springs

2012 Winner - Mason Dixon, Big Foot

2011 Winner - Leo Musso, Waunakee

2010 Winner - Melvin Gordon, Kenosha Bradford 2009 Winner - Steve Lichtfuss, Appleton North

#### WR/TE - Al Toon, University of Wisconsin

2013 Winner - Mitchell Brees, Greendale 2012 Winner - Jordan Millis, Black River Falls

2011 Winner - Matt Sosinsky, Princeton 2010 Winner - Zach Zweifel, Monona Grove

2009 Winner - Lechein Neblett, Madison Memorial

#### OL - Joe Thomas, Brookfield Central & UW

2013 Winner - Jaden Gault, Monona Grove

2012 Winner - Hayden Biegel, Wisconsin Rapids

2011 Winner - Connor Stefanski, Waukesha West

2010 Winner - Frank Vruwink, Wisconsin Rapids

2009 Winner - Jake Irwin, Waunakee

#### DL - Tim Krumrie, Mondovi & UW

2013 Winner - Billy Hirschfeld, Arrowhead

2012 Winner - Alec James, Brookfield East

2011 Winner - Trevor Peterson, Marshfield 2010 Winner - Jeff Raymond, Edgar

2009 Winner - Mike Hardy, Kimberly

## LB – John Anderson, Waukesha South & GB Packers 2013 Winner - Dominic Cizauskas, Mukwonago

2012 Winner - Nathan Paup, Green Bay Southwest 2011 Winner - Vince Biegel, Wisconsin Rapids

2010 Winner - Derek Landisch, Arrowhead

#### DB - Jim Leonhard, Flambeau High School & UW

2013 Winner - Connor Rolain, Appleton North 2012 Winner - Jackson Weber, Whitefish Bay

2011 Winner - Kyle Schueller, Edgar

2010 Winner - Joe Makeever, Appleton North

2009 Winner - Michael Trotter, Marquette

#### K/P - Kevin Stemke, Green Bay Preble & UW

2013 Winners - Casey Bednarski, Oconomowoc &

Colin Downing, Whitefish Bay 2012 Winner - Donnie Manke, Lodi

2011 Winner - Lucas Otto, Sun Prairie

2010 Winner - Drew Meyer, Arrowhead

2009 Winner - Kyle French, Menomonee Falls

## **BWATCHLIST**

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Max Fisher, Waterford

Nick Fleming, New Lisbon

Noah Frassetto, Sun Prairie

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Matt Brown, Necedah
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Dyson Chmura, Waukesha West
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Omari Johnson, Milw. Riverside

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Andy Ryan, Lancaster
Garret Schleis, Cameron
Eric Schommer, Freedom
Joe Schroeder, Fall River
Alex Shifflet, River Valley
Andrew Smith, Racine St. Cat's
Jeremy Steward, Racine Park
Elijah Strong, Oak Creek
Nick Taranto, Ellsworth
Brandon Valenza, Muskego
Zach Veit, Wauwatosa West
Bret Verstegen, Kimberly
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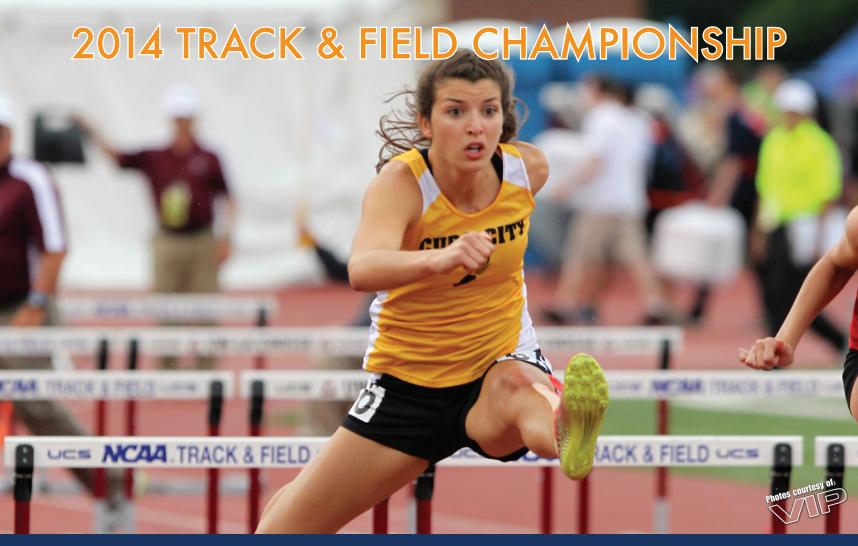
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Top: Brodhead/Juda junior Logan Maurer took home both the shot put and discus titles in Division 2.

**Bottom: Iola-Scandanavia** (left) won the Division 3 4X400 relay with a time of 3:32.25. Madison West junior **Olin Hacker** (center) finished the 3200M run in 9:14.54 to take the D1 title. **Zac Webster** (right) of Spring Valley won the D3 triple jump at 44-8.5.





Top: Cuba City senior Danielle Weber qualified for four events at state in D3, winning the 100M hurdles, placing fifth in the 300M hurdles, helping the 4X200 team finish first and placing fourth in long jump.

**Bottom:** Wrightstown's **Bonnie Draxler** set a state record in pole vault for Division 2, clearing 13-3 and becoming a fourtime state champion in the event.





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November 30<sup>th</sup> – Dells Club Basketball Classic

4-8<sup>th</sup> Boys and Girls

#### December

December 6 - Wilderness Black Ice Classic

4-5<sup>th</sup> Boys and Girls

December 7 – Dunkin' Donuts Early Winter Classic 6-8<sup>th</sup> Boys and Girls

December 13 - The Shoe Box Christmas Shopping Classic

7-8<sup>th</sup> Boys and Girls December 14 – The Shoe Box Christmas Shopping Classic

4-6<sup>th</sup> Boys and Girls

December 20 - JustAgame Shootout

5-6<sup>th</sup> Boys and Girls

December 21 - JustAgame Shootout

4th & 7-8th Boys and Girls

#### January

January 4 - Big 1070 Series

4-8th Girls

January 10 - Moosejaw Shootout

7-8<sup>th</sup> Boys and Girls

January 11 – Pizza Pub Shootout

4-6<sup>th</sup> Boys and Girls

January 17 – Rookies Shootout 4 8th Boys

#### January 18 - Great Wolf Lodge Winter Shootout

4-8<sup>th</sup> Girls

January 24 – Wilderness Jump It Up Classic

4-8<sup>th</sup> Girls

January 25 - Wilderness Jump It Up Classic 4-8<sup>th</sup> Boys

January 31 - BWD Classic

4-8th Boys

February 7 – Dunkin' Donuts Midwinter Classic

4-6<sup>th</sup> Boys and Girls

February 14 – Moosejaw Shootout

4-8<sup>th</sup> Boys

February 15 - Moosejaw Shootout 4-8th Girls

February 21 - Mt. Olympus Shootout

7-8<sup>th</sup> Boys and Girls February 22 - Mt. Olympus Shootout

4-6<sup>th</sup> Boys and Girls

#### March

March 21 - WBCA Hall of Fame Shootout

4-6<sup>th</sup> Boys

March 22 - WBCA Hall of Fame Shootout

4-6th Girls

March 28 - WBCA Hall of Fame Shootout 7-8th Boys

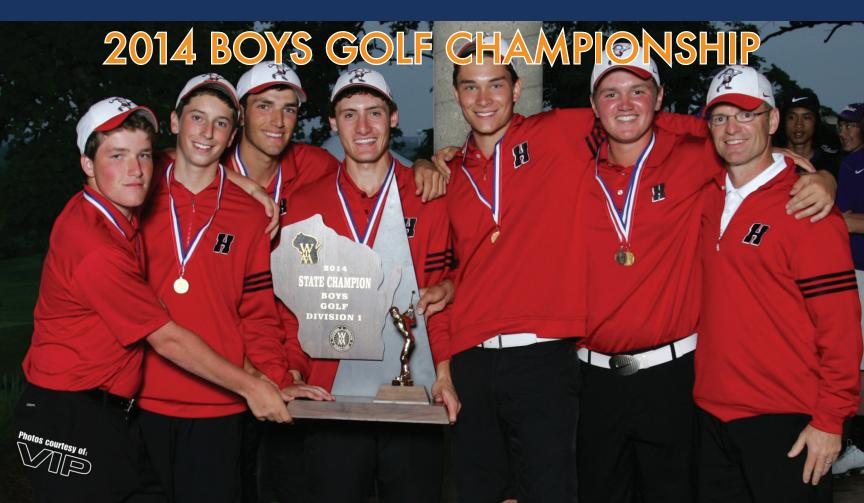
March 29 – WBCA Hall of Fame Shootout 7 8<sup>th</sup> Girls

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**Top:** The Brookfield East doubles team of **Patrick Krill** and **Henry Termuehlen** (left) won the Division 1 championship. The Prairie School's **Zane Navratil** (right) won his third-straight D2 singles title.

**Bottom: Homestead** won the Division 1 golf title, edging Notre Dame by a single stroke. Meanwhile, Catholic Memorial won the D2 championship and Lancaster took home the Division 3 trophy.



# TEEN DRIVING

#### Drive for Safety this Fall with AAA Wisconsin's Teen Driving Playbook

Serious athletes know that practice and preparation are the keys to success on the field. The same is true on the road – although the stakes are far higher. Automobile crashes are the number one killer of teens, claiming the lives of over 4000 promising young people each year. Teens account for only 7% of drivers but are involved in 20% of fatal crashes. In 2012 (the most recent year for which statistics are available), nearly 100 people were killed on Wisconsin roadways as the result of crashes caused by teen drivers.

Parental involvement is critical to reducing the risk, but coaching teens behind the wheel can be a daunting task. That is why AAA has assembled a championship collection of resources for teen drivers and their parents at TeenDriving.AAA.com. This interactive site helps families manage this evolving coming-ofage tradition by providing users with Wisconsin-specific information based on where they are in the learning process – from

preparing to drive (pre-permit) through the learner's permit and on to solo driving.

At the site, parents will find information such as the details of Wisconsin's graduated driver licensing (GDL) system, choosing the right vehicle for their teens, and how to enroll in one of AAA's nationally recognized driver training programs. The site also features AAA StartSmart, a series of online newsletters and webisodes based on the National Institute of Health's Checkpoints program, which has been scientifically shown to help parents improve teen driver safety. Some of the topics covered in AAA StartSmart's 18 newsletters and webisodes include nighttime driving, distracted driving, alcohol and impaired driving, and drowsy driving.

In addition, there is a free online version of AAA's Dare to Prepare workshop, as well as lessons from the Teaching Your Teens to Drive coaching program, both of which assist families that have a teen who is or soon will be learning to drive.



Parents also need to remember that, just as the job of a coach does not end when training camp closes and the season begins, their role does not end once the license arrives from the DMV. Teen drivers need continued practice and guidance. Almost half of all crashes involving newly licensed teens are the result of speeding and inattention, so it's important for parents to be proactive in monitoring these dangerous driving behaviors and serve as the first line of enforcement for the state's GDL restrictions. Many parents find it helpful to utilize a driving contract with their teen during their first few years of solo driving. Parents can use the contract available at TeenDriving.AAA.com as a starting point for setting their own rules to govern the use of family vehicles and exercise of driving privileges.

To win on the field, you need plenty of practice and the guidance of a good coach. The roads are a place where everyone can win using that same combination. TeenDriving.AAA.com is the playbook that every successful driving coach needs to keep their teen safe this season.

# Steer Your Teen in the Right Direction

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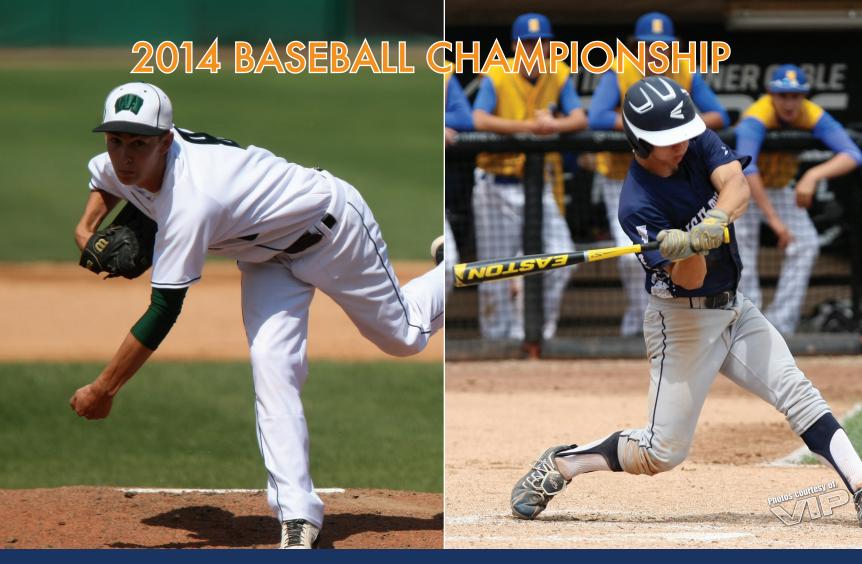




**Top: Sun Prairie** won their third-straight Division 1 baseball championship, defeating Kimberly 5-2. Conner Funnell went 4 for 4 with 2 RBIs to lead the Cardinals' offense.

**Bottom:** Kevin Krause pitched all five innings for Jefferson, as they beat Viroqua 10-0 in the Division 2 title game. Krause got out of bases-loaded jams in both the first and fourth inning.



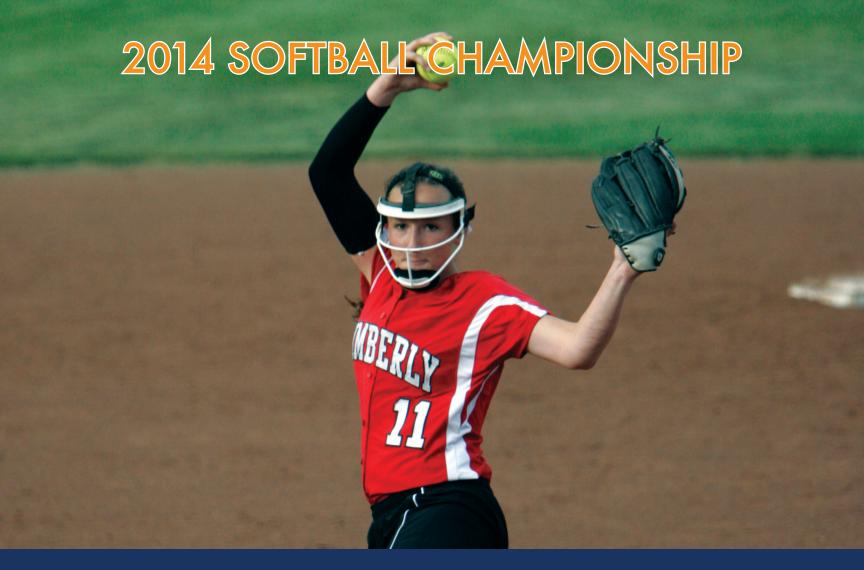


**Top: Carter Howard** (left) pitched a complete game 2-hitter as Wisconsin Heights beat Oconto for their first championship since 1989. Lake Country Lutheran finished the season undefeated after an 11-inning win over McDonnell Central in the D4 title game. **Jake Hall** (right) went 4 for 6 with 2 runs and 2 RBIs as LCL won by a score of 11-7.

**Bottom:** Matt Ausloos took over in the second inning and cruised for the final six innings, leading Brookfield Central to the summer baseball title over Homestead.







**Top:** Kimberly took home the Division 1 trophy after a wild 15-inning championship game against Westosha Central. **Megan Kleist** struck out 15 for the Papermakers as she and Westosha's Alyssa Hrncar both pitched all 15 innings.

**Bottom: Mosinee** won their first softball title by beating defending champion New London 2-0 in the Division 2 final. Rochelle Koshalek struck out 8 and, at one point in the game, retired 16-straight batters.





**Top: Arcadia** (left) finished their undefeated season with a 1-0 victory over Laconia in the D3 championship game. **Oakfield** (right) won their fifth state softball title with a 7-3 win over Cochrane-Fountain City in Division 4.



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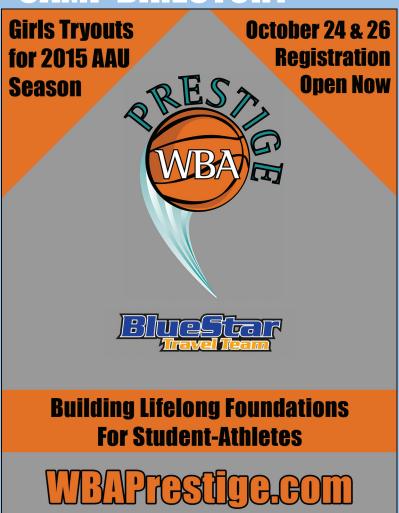
**Top: Maria Kass** (left) scored the lone goal in Divine Savior Holy Angels' 1-0 win over D.C. Everest in the Division 1 championship game. **Catholic Memorial** (right) won their third-straight title (their first in D3) with a 2-0 victory over Mount Horeb.

Bottom: Waunakee won their first ever state soccer championship, beating Waukesha West with two second half goals in their 2-1 victory in Division 2.





Top: Assumption won their first state soccer championship, defeating New Holstein 2-1 after trailing at halftime in D4.



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# 3 GRSWIEYBALL

#### Don't tell Ramblers they're in a "rebuilding year"

By Norbert Durst

Regis captured their first WIAA State Title last season after defeating Auburndale in the Division 3 Championship Match.

The Ramblers have reached the state tournament four other times, including runner-up finishes in 2003 and 2004.

With the graduation of the majority of their starters the Ramblers will have a number of new faces on the roster this season, but coach Kendra Pagel told WSN that this isn't a rebuilding year.

"The biggest thing I keep telling the team is that this is not a rebuilding year. Yes, we lose nine seniors that had a huge impact on us winning state last season, but we have a very successful tradition at Regis," said coach Pagel.

Coach Pagel said their theme in 2014 is to 'build on top'. "This will be my third year as head coach and we have a lot of talent throughout the program," coach Pagel told WSN.

The Ramblers roster will consist of three seniors, seven juniors, a sophomore, and a freshman.

Senior middle blocker Haley Gibbons and junior outside hitter Shae Brey are the lone returning starters for coach Pagel and Regis.

"Shae has already proven to be a leader on and off the court. My expectation of her is to be the team leader and calm players down on the court when/if we get into frustrating situations," commented coach Pagel.

She went on to say that she will look to Shae to lead and teach the new varsity players the team importance of being a team member, a motivator, and encourager.

Coach Pagel told WSN that Haley Gibbons will shine this season. "Her 6-foot-2 stature will cause some problems for our opponents. She has only begun to tap into her offensive potential and will be used a lot more this season."

Other key players for the Ramblers heading into the 2014 season are junior setter Molly Smoczyk and junior libero Alexis Schaffer.

"Smoczyk will be filling some big shoes while becoming the primary setter on the team. Her ability to make smart decisions and play defense come in handy for a setter," explained coach Pagel.

Coach Pagel told WSN that Schaffer has really stepped up and surprised her all summer with her consistent passing from the back row.

With a young team the offseason is a very important time to prepare the players to step into larger roles at the varsity level.

"During the off season, all players can improve by touching, learning, and thinking about volleyball. This can be done by watching game tape, attending open gyms, attending camps, attending contact days, exercising, studying opponents, and working on their mental toughness," explained coach Pagel.

The Ramblers roster will be much different from a year ago, but coach Pagel will use the theme 'build on top' and look to add to the list of accomplishments their program has previously earned.

"Every season your team is a little different and has different qualities and contributions they put forth. We many only have two varsity starters returning this season, but this team is willing to work hard and improve throughout the season," commented coach Pagel.

A number of the players, including Shae Brey and Haley Gibbons, helped the Ramblers also reach the state tournament in basketball last season and they will look to lead the volleyball and basketball teams to deep playoff runs again this year.

#### HANNAH BAILEY, CAMERON



Bailey, an Iowa State recruit, received Second Team All-State recognition by the Wisconsin Volleyball Coaches Association after compiling 530 kills, 94 blocks, 119 digs, and 52 aces as a junior. She helped the Comets to a Division 3 Sectional Final appearance and a share of the Lakeland Central title. Hannah told WSN that her team goals this season are to go undefeated in conference, make it to state, and finish the season with a state championship. "Individually my goals are to make First Team All-State and be an All-American," added Bailey. Hannah also excels in basketball for the Comets, last season she was named First Team All-Lakeland Central and has a career average of over 11 points and 7 rebounds per game.

#### MORGAN KATH, MUSKEGO



Senior setter Morgan Kath helped the Warriors qualify for the state tournament and was named Second Team All-State by the Wisconsin Volleyball Coaches Association and First Team All-Southeast. Morgan compiled 1,117 assists, 175 digs, and 56 aces for Muskego. She has led the team in assists the past two seasons. "At her position, she is also one of the best defensive players I've ever coached. She has a great jump serve that is truly an offensive weapon," coach Karen Anderson told WSN. She went on to say that Morgan's greatest strengths are her competitive drive and will to win. Leadership is also a quality that Kath possesses. "On court as a captain, she directs drills for her team, encourages her teammates, and shows a very enthusiastic attitude which is contagious! Off the court, she leads by example. She is a good student and a leader among the student body who handles herself with class in all environments," explained coach Anderson. Morgan also participates in Track & Field, last season she reached the state tournament in three relay events.

# BOYS OUL EY BALY

#### **Spartans not focused on high expectations**

By Norbert Durst

Brookfield East is coming off their first state tournament appearance since 2000 and with the return of their whole roster they are in position to make another deep playoff run.

Last season the Spartans were edged in five games by powerhouse and eventual state champ Marquette in a state semifinal

Their appearance at the state tournament didn't go unnoticed, they received the State Tournament Sportsmanship Award and it marked the first time any Brookfield East team took home the award.

Brookfield East's roster is highlighted by senior captains Matt Klassen (OH), Adam Wessel (L), and Graydon Schroeder (MH).

Klassen and Wessel were named High Honorable Mention All-State by the Wisconsin Boys Volleyball Coaches, while Schroeder took home Honorable Mention All-State laurels WBVCA.

"I expect them to be leaders of high character, which shouldn't be difficult for them as they are special people. All of them exemplify what it means to be a student athlete. They are not only very good volleyball players, but they are exceptional young adults," said coach Tim Owen. Coach Owen was named WBVCA Coach of the Year after guiding the Spartans to state and their first-ever win at state when they defeated Kaukauna in a state quarterfinal.

Junior Matt Szews set a state record for kill percentage with .762 while collecting 18 kills in their quarterfinal win over Kaukauna.

Coach Owen told WSN that he carried a roster of 10 last season and nine played significant time in matches throughout the year including state.

The other five players that saw significant action include seniors Mark Abuls, Josh Schmirler, Jared Wilgus; juniors Tyler Parker; and sophomore Nick Watry.

"(Fellow returner) Luke Bartsch's attitude, enthusiasm, and positive energy certainly didn't go unnoticed either," added coach Owen.

Team chemistry is a team strength for the Spartans. "The team is a special group in terms of how close they are. They all get along and many of them play club volleyball during the offseason," added coach Owen.

Playing in the Greater Metro is very ben-

eficial for Brookfield East come tournament time, the conference has produced seven of the past 10 state champions with six by Marquette.

The Spartans return two First Team All-Greater Metro selections in Klassen and Wessel, two Second Team choices in Schroeder and Abuls, along with Honorable Mention pick Szews.

Wauwatosa East and Marquette will also be in the hunt for the top spot in the Greater Metro.

Wauwatosa East returns three All-Greater Metro selections, while defending state and conference champ Marquette returns a pair of All-Conference players.

Expectations for Brookfield East will be high for the 2014, but coach Owen told WSN that not only will they not focus on them they won't really be mentioned at all

"For me as a coach the goal always remains the same and that is to maximize our potential as a team and become the best that we can be. Once the season starts we'll talk about outcome goals as a team, but in general our focus will be the process, focus on things we have full control over," coach Owen explained.

#### AARON TURNER, WAUKESHA WEST

Aaron Turner, a senior opposite hitter/setter, compiled 136 kills, 240 assists, 37 aces, 56 digs, and 41 blocks on his way to receiving Honorable Mention All-State and First Team All-Classic Eight recognition as a junior. "Aaron's greatest strength as a volleyball player would be his physical strength which leads him to be a top blocker within the state year after year as well as a consistent option to go to when we need a kill," coach Dan Rogutich said. He went on to say that Aaron has grown into the leader their program needs him to be. "Coming off an Honorable Mention All-State award I expect Aaron to take the next step up and make First Team All-State this season. You can see the progression in his game and attitude. He and his teammates have one goal and that's to breakthrough and make this program first appearance at state," added coach Rogutich.



#### DALEN INTENES, RACINE HORLICK

Senior Dalen Intenes, a Lewis University recruit, earned High Honorable Mention recognition by the Wisconsin Boys Volleyball Coaches Association after compiling 380 kills and 114 digs. He also received First Team All-Southeast and All-Racine County recognition his junior year. "He is a consistent, all around player. His dedication to getting better everyday and helping his teammates do the same," Racine Horlick athletic director Joseph Wendt told WSN. Dalen is also a leader, "He was named Captain in 2013 as a junior. He is quick to help a teammate that is struggling on the court. His stronger presence comes off the court. He is a Link Crew Leader (Mentors underclass students), Volunteer at Presbyterian Church and the Racine Theatre Guild," commented Wendt. As far as expectations Wendt told WSN that Dalen enjoys the individual awards but would rather have a stronger focus on team goals such as winning confernce, sectionals, and high hopes of returning to state and lifting the gold ball.



# e GRSSWWMG

#### Top returning placewinners for 2014 season

D1:

1-meter Diving Hazel Hertting, SR, Neenah – 1st Place

200-Yard Freestyle Katie Drabot, JR, Cedarburg – 1st Place

200-Yard IM Katie Drabot, JR, Cedarburg – 1st Place

50-Yard Freestyle Corrin VanLanen, SR, Pulaski – 2nd Place

100-Yard Butterfly Beata Nelson, JR, Verona – 1st Place

100-Yard Freestyle Kelly Jacob, JR, Arrowhead – 2nd Place

500-Yard Freestyle Natalie Clausen, SR, Waukesha South/ Mukwonago – 2nd Place

100-Yard Backstroke Beata Nelson, JR, Verona – 1st Place

100-Yard Breaststroke Lindsay Adamski, Sr, Arrowhead – 1st Place D2:

1-meter Diving Ginger Lingard, SO, Madison Edgewood – 1st Place

200-Yard Freestyle Madison Tew, SR, New Berlin West – 2nd Place

200-Yard IM Rachel Munson, SR, Shorewood – 1st Place

50-Yard Freestyle Samantha Senczyszyn, SR, Grafton – 1st Place

100-Yard Butterfly Autumn Haebig, SO, Grafton – 1st Place

100-Yard Freestyle Samantha Senczyszyn, SR, Grafton – 1st Place

500-Yard Freestyle Autumn Haebig, SO, Grafton – 1st Place

100-Yard Backstroke Katie Coughlin, SR, Baraboo – 2nd Place

100-Yard Breaststroke Rachel Munson, SR, Shorewood – 1st Place

#### 2013 State Team Results

D1 Team Results:

1. Waukesha South/ Mukwonago

- 2. Arrowhead
- 3. Middleton
- 4. Verona
- 5. Appleton North

D2 Team Results:

- 1. Grafton
- 2. DeForest
- 3. Shorewood
- 4. McFarland
- 5. Ashwaubenon



#### SAMANTHA SENCZYSZYN, GRAFTON

Senczyszyn, a University of Arizon recruit, was named the Division 2 Swimmer of the Year after leading Grafton to the Division 2 State Championship. She won the 50-yard freestyle in a Division 2 State record time of 22.91 and captured the 100-yard freestyle state title. Samantha also helped the Black Hawks to wins in the 200-yard freestyle relay and 400-yard freestyle relay. "Sam has shown herself to be a great student of the sport. She's been willing to try different things in efforts to improve and she hates to lose," coach John Douglass said. He went on to Samantha performs volunteer work in the community year-round and serves on the Grafton High School Athletic Leadership Team. Coach Douglass on goals for this season, "We have goals of returning to the state meet and winning another team title, with Sam hopefully in a position to win her events and possibly lower more state records."



#### CORRIN VANLANEN, PULASKI

Senior Corrin VanLanen was named the FRCC Swimmer of the Year and reached the Division 1 state tournament in four events. In individual events she finished second in the 50-yard freestyle, fourth in the 100-yard butterfly. Corrin also helped the Red Raiders reach state in the 200-yard freestyle relay (9th place) and 400-yard freestyle relay (12th place). As a sophomore, VanLanen won the 100-yard butterfly and finished in second place in the 50-yard freestyle at the state tournament. During her freshman season she earned second place in the 100-yard butterfly at state.

# BOYS SOCCER ?

#### Goals remain the same as USM roster turns over

**By Norbert Durst** 

University School of Milwaukee captured their first-ever boys soccer title last season, taking home the Division 4 Championship in the first year of four divisions in soccer. The Wildcats reached a Division 3 Sectional Final the previous season.

Coach Jock Mutschler and the Wildcats will have a much different roster this season, but the goals remain the same as last season.

"We lost 16 out of 22 players from our state title winning squad, including nine starters. However, we did not lose our soccer program culture," he said.

University School opened this year's training with a match verses last year's graduated players.

"The thought was to showcase the camaraderie, intensity, composure, maturity, and class that the title team brought to each training and match. We are optimistic that this year's edition will emulate many of these fine attributes by the end of the season," commented coach Mutschler.

The Wildcats 2014 roster will consist of four seniors, seven juniors, four sophomores, and two freshman this season. Coach Mutschler told WSN that he will look to junior midfielder and captain Zach Schneck, sophomore striker Nate Sampson, and junior midfielder Alex Bidard to be the Wildcats top players.

Schneck and Sampson are the lone returning starters from last season's team.

Sampson scored the match-winning goal in

the Wildcats victory over The Prairie School in the Division 4 State Championship.

Other key players for University School include senior goalkeeper and captain Jacob Van Den Heuvel along with junior defender Chris Gibb.

"Van Den Heuvel has already molded the team into his own image by exuding high standards, professionalism, and respect, while Gibb will be called upon to lead our inexperienced back four," explained coach Mutschler.

Coach Mutschler told WSN that prior to the season starting he outlined some of the common goals that his players might set for themselves.

"Goals include: improve mental focus and concentration, make a friend, get fit, improve leadership skills, increase confidence, stretch yourself – 'the edge', improve your soccer skills, collaborate, and team environment," he said.

He went on to say that he believes any coach should promulgate an ethos of commitment, fairness, and fun in their program.

"Teaching my student athletes how to embrace diversity, be good sports, and make responsible, integrity laced decisions teaches them to win in the long run," noted coach Mutschler.

Coach Mutschler talked about five phases his players will go through leading up to and following the season. They include: hypertrophy, strength, power, peaking, and active rest. "The hypertrophy phase starts on June 15 and is characterized by training that is generally at low intensity but high volume. Our goals during this phase are to increase lean body mass and to increase aerobic endurance," explained coach Mutschler.

Next is the strength phase that runs from August 11 through August 31. "The objective of our strength phase is to increase the strength of the muscles that our players will be using during the season and his characterized by high intensity and moderate volume."

The power phase takes place from September 1 to October 10. "This phase coincides with our regular season. Our objective with the power phase is to improve strength, flexibility, and aerobic conditioning," coach Mutschler said.

The fourth phase is the peaking phase that takes place during the playoffs. "Our objective her is to maintain our players' high level of fitness and strength. We try and increase the level of intensity from our power phase while lowering the volume," commented coach Mutschler.

Active rest is the final phase and occurs in the month of November. Coach Mutschler told WSN that the players enjoy optional cross training which encourages players to rehabilitate any injuries and to rest, both physically and mentally.

University School opened the season ranked No. 1 in the Wisconsin Soccer Coaches Association Pre-Season Poll and are 1-2 on the early season.

The Wildcats defeated Milwaukee Riverside 6-3 in their most recent game.

#### ALEX YOUNG, MADISON MEMORIAL

Young, a senior defender, earned Honorable Mention All-State laurels by the WSCA as well as being named Madison All-City and First Team All-Big Eight as a junior. "Alex is at his best when he is anticipating play as a defender. He is one of the best players in the state playing with the ball at his feet when under pressure and playing in tight place," coach Ben Voss explained. Young has also strong leadership, "Alex has been selected as a captain for the 2014 season. He is respected by his teammates for how hard her plays the game and for his talents as a defender, he leads by example on the field," noted coach Voss. Young is a four-year starter on the Spartans team and has been voted team MVP twice. Alex is also a volunteer for youth soccer and youth basketball.



#### MITCH NOREEN, SLINGER

Senior Mitch Noreen earned WSCA All-State honors as a midfielder after helping the Owls reach a Division 2 Sectional Final. He finished with 11 goals and 17 assists and was chosen as a First Team All-Wisconsin Little Ten performer for the second straight season. "Mitch does an incredible job of controlling the midfield whether that is offensively through his distribution or defensively through his solid tackling and positional play," said Slinger coach Brian Kiley. He went on to say that Mitch is a proven finisher and goal scorer and has a high soccer IQ. Leadership is also a key component to Mitch's game. "On the field he leads by example. He can elevate a practice or game through his speed of play and movement off or on the ball. Off the field, he is friend to everyone," coach Kiley commented. "My expectations for Mitch are to set the tempo in practice and games, be disciplined in his defensive positioning, and be vocal in games," he added.



# ARSHOLE

#### Top returning players for the 2014 season

#### **D1** Top Returning State Finishers

Jessica Reinecke, SR, Verona, 1st Place Anika Hitt, SR, Homestead, 2nd Place Grace Dunn, SR, Brookfield Central, 4th Place Loren Skibba, JR, Middleton, 5th Place Maddy Neumeier, SR, Green Bay Preble, T8th Place Bailey Smith, JR, Verona Area, 10th Place Maddie McCue, SR, Milton, 11th Place Claire Lauterbach, IR, Arrowhead, T12th Place CheyAnn Knudsen, JR, Milton, 15th Place Megan Growt, JR, De Pere, T24th Place Katelyn Martin, JR, Mukwonago, T24th Place Allison Chomniak, SR, Arrowhead, T24th Place Claire Franken, SR, Madison Memorial, T29th Place Alexa Laurino, SR, Kimberly, T29t Place Alexa Holland, FR, Arrowhead, T31st Place Clare Matkom, JR, Whitefish Bay, 33rd Place Emily Opsal, JR, Verona, T34th Place Colleen Krueger, SR, Mukwonago, 37th Place Kailey McDade, SR, Janesville Parker, T38th Place Robinson Creighton, SR, Whitefish Bay, T38th Place

#### D2 Top Returning State Finishers

Caroline Lake, SR, Edgewood, 1st Place Kayla Priebe, SR, Fox Valley Lutheran, T2nd Place Mikayla Smith, SR, Xavier, 4th Place Kate Wurflova, SR, Luxemburg-Casco, T5th Place Bailey Schmidt, JR, Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau, 8th Place Noelle Koepp, SR, Fox Valley Lutheran, 11st Place Amanda Pederson, SR, Osseo-Fairchild, 12nd Place Meredith Nelson, SR, Osceola, 13rd Place Trystin Kluess, JR, Fox Valley Lutheran, T14th Place Megan Glaser, SO, Fox Valley Lutheran, T17th Place Chrissy Craig, SR, The Prairie School, T17th Place Megan Ammann, JR, Arcadia, 19th Place Dani DeWitt, SO, Spooner, 20th Place Kayla Bowen, SR, Hayward, 21st Place Larissa Schmock, SR, Spooner, 22nd Place Katie Arneson, JR, Edgewood, T23rd Place Rachel Radcliffe, JR, Hayward, T25th Place Lauren Tremblay, SO, Hayward, T25th Place Maddy Morrison, JR, Edgewood, 27th Place Hannah Gostonczik, SR, Spooner, T28th Place Julia Michicich, SO, The Prairie School, T28th Place

#### **2013 State Team Results**

- D1 Team Results:
- 1. Arrowhead
- 2. Verona
- 3. Middleton
- 4. Mukwonago
- 5. Notre Dame

- 6. Janesville Parker
- 7. Eau Claire North
- 8. Whitefish Bay
- 9. Brookfield Central
- 10. River Falls

#### **D2 Team Results:**

- 1. Madison Edgewood
- 2. Fox Valley Lutheran
- 3. The Prairie School
- 4. Osseo-Fairchild
- 5. Spooner
- 6. Hayward



#### CAROLINE LAKE, MADISON EDGEWOOD

Senior Caroline Lake is the defending Division 2 individual state champion and finished with the lowest score regardless of division at the state tournament. She was selected First Team All-State by the Golf Coaches Association of Wisconsin as well as Madison All-City Player of the Year. "Caroline is a long hitter but has an incredible natural instinct to manage a golf course and create shots," coach Peggy Gierhart said. Lake has competed in national events including winning the Pepsi Little People's Golf Championship in 2013. So far this season, she broke a course record at Mee-Kwon Golf Course in Mequon with a 67 and finished second twice and third once in three statewide invites. Caroline also excels in the classroom carrying a 4.1 GPA and is committed to play golf Creighton University.

#### JESSICA REINECKE, VERONA



Senior Jessica Reinecke is the two-time defending Division 1 individual champion. Last season she was also named Golf Coaches of Wisconsin Player of the Year and took home Big Eight Player of the Year honors for the third-straight season. "Jessica is an incredibly smart golfer. She practices hard and is always mentally prepared for a match. She understands her strengths and knows which holes to play smart, when to lay up, and when to attack," noted coach Bailey Hildenbrandt. So far this season Jessica has been the individual medalist in the first two tournaments the Wildcats have participated in: Madison Edgewood Invite and Wisconsin Dells Invite. Reinecke also excels in the classroom where she is a 4.0 student.

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#### Top returning state qualifiers

#### D1 Singles

Lexi Keberle, SO, West Bend East – 1st Place Emily Kolbow, SR, Arrowhead – 3rd Place Emily Luetschwager, SO, Stevens Point – 5th Place Catherine Lindsay, SO, Eau Claire Memorial – 6th Place Gabi Kitchell, SR, D.C. Everest – Quarterfinalist Nina Gerard, SR, Nicolet – State Qualifier Nicolet Meylor, SR, Wauwatosa West – State Qualifier Bailey Budnik, JR, Manitowoc Lincoln – State Qualifier Anna Kreynin, JR, Homestead – State Qualifier Kaisey Skibba, JR, Middleton – State Qualifier

#### D1 Doubles

Erin Whalen & Josie Docalavich, Nicolet – State Qualifier Sara Geschke & Kali Flesch, Arrowhead – State Qualifier Baylie Gold & Abbey Webber, Middleton – State Qualifier Meg Hartzell & Alyssa Schafer, Oshkosh North – State Qualifier Hailee Dassow & Elizabeth Bensen, West Bend East – State Qualifier

#### **D2 Singles**

Tallie Piaskowski, JR, Roncalli – 3rd Place Michelle Sikes, SR, Brookfield Academy – 4th Place Claire Czerwonka, SO, Kenosha St. Joseph – 5th Place Audra Hoffmann, SR, Kohler – 6th Place Annie Zlevor, SR, The Prairie School – Quarterfinalist Emma Sango, SO, Madison Edgewood – Quarterfinalist Meredith Short, SR, University School – State Qualifier Molly Stewart, SR, Amery – State Qualifier Pia Koeller, JR, Durand – State Qualifier Liza Kruch, SO, Shorewood – State Qualifier

#### **D2** Doubles

Julia Veitinger & Taylor Benard, University School – 1st Place Abby Fox & JoJo Munns, Madison Edgewood – Quarterfinalist Molly Wirtz & Nicole Schroeder, Pacelli – State Qualifier Tricia Nelson & Grace Rybarik, Shorewood – State Qualifier Megan Dubois & Alyssa Carew, Xavier – State Qualifier

#### **2013 State Team Results**

#### D1

#### **Ouarterfinals:**

Homestead (4), Nicolet (3) Middleton (5), Green Bay Southwest (2) Eau Claire Memorial (6), Neenah (1)

Divine Savior Holy Angels (7), Burlington (0)

#### **Semi-Finals:**

Middleton (4), Homestead (3)

Eau Claire Memorial (4), Divine Savior Holy Angels (3)

Finals:

Middleton (5), Eau Claire Memorial (2)

#### D2

#### **Semi-Finals:**

University School (5), Newman Catholic (2) Madison Edgewood (5), Regis (2)

#### **Finals:**

Madison Edgewood (4), University School (3)

#### EMILY KOLBOW, ARROWHEAD

Emily Kolbow has finished in third place in the Division 1 individual championships and earned Classic Eight Player of the Year honors in each of the past two seasons, going 65-8 in that span. Coach Gina Resch told WSN that Emily's greatest strengths as a tennis player are her confidence on the court and ability to relax before a match and be focused. Coach Resch went on to talk about what Emily has worked on for the 2014 season. "She's worked hard to get in even better shape and has hit a lot more balls. With that comes confidence and great results." Leadership is also something that Kolbow excels in, as Coach Resch said that Emily is involved in organizing team apparel and fundraisers, while also being a vocal leader by encouraging teammates in matches and pushing them in practices.



#### MICHELLE SIKES, BROOKFIELD ACADEMY

Michelle Sikes finished fourth at the Division 2 WIAA State Tournament in 2013 and ended the season with a 20-5 record. Coach Greg Rackovan told WSN that Michelle strengths are stroke production, resilience, and being a problem solver on the court. "I think her primary concern is to reach a top level of fitness so she can manage the long days and multiple matches that can be so fatiguing at the sectional and state meets. I also think that her movement and quickness on the court can improve," Coach Rackovan added. Sikes is a role model for her teammates, "She has been the best tennis player and a great team leader here at Brookfield Academy since she was a freshman. She works hard, is down to earth, and will work with less-skilled players," noted Coach Rackovan. Michelle is also an active volunteer at church, school, along with helping at tennis camps and in club tennis.



# \* CROSS COUNTRY

#### Top returning runners for the 2014 season

#### D1 - Boys

Olin Hacker, SR, Madison West, 1st Place, 15:46.19 Ryan Nameth, SR, Verona, 2nd Place, 15:51.94 Will Simons, SR, Arrowhead, 7th Place, 16:09.67 Daniel LaLuzeme, SR, Green Bay Preble, 9th Place, 16:10.32 Scott Seymour, SR, Kenosha Bradford, 10th Place, 16:12.70

#### D2 - Boys

Eric Brown II, SR, Wisconsin Lutheran, 3rd Place, 16:11.44 Ben Eidenschink, SR, Nekoosa/Port Edwards, 6th Place, 16:14.32

Kyler Lueck, SR, Wisconsin Lutheran, 7th Place, 16:21.18 Sam Kuhlmann, SR, Shorewood, 8th Place, 16:27.16 Josh Schraeder, SR, Nekoosa/Port Edwards, 11th Place, 16:35.51

#### D3 - Boys

Dakota Kauffman, JR, Boscobel, 5th Place, 16:15.61 Jaden Komprood, JR, Darlington, 9th Place, 16:37.33 Kevin Koski, JR, Chequamegon, 10th Place, 16:50.87 Lucas Weber, JR, Lourdes Academy, 16th Place, 16:55.01 Cameron Pearson, SR, Chequamegon, 17th Place, 16:57.92

#### D1 - Girls

Camille Davre, SO, Whitefish Bay, 3rd Place, 14:22.40 Katie Kietpas, JR, Sun Prairie, 5th Place, 14:34.43 Aubrey Roberts, JR, Eau Claire Memorial, 6th Place, 14:38.97 Marlie Houston, JR, Oconomowoc, 10th Place, 14:48.94 Kennidi Knoblock, SR, Wausau East, 11th Place, 14:49.90

#### D2 - Girls

Morgan Florsheim, JR, Madison Edgewood, 1st Place, 14:29.10 Amy Davis, SR, Madison Edgewood, 2nd Place, 14:47.14 Hannah Owens, SR, Dodgeville/Mineral Point, 5th Place, 14:57.36

Kristy Terp, SR, Two Rivers, 6th Place, 14:57.64 Audrey Janik, SO, Wisconsin Lutheran, 7th Place, 14:58.12

#### D3 - Girls

Nora Keller, SR, Lourdes Academy, 2nd Place, 15:08.36 Whitney Ebert, SR, Algoma, 4th Place, 15:21.68 Liz Bohn, SR, Saint Mary's Springs, 5th Place, 15:24.12 Alissa Niggemann, JR, Amherst, 6th Place, 15:26.83 Tess Leibham, Sheboygan Lutheran, 8th Place, 15:30.68

#### **2013 State Meet Team Results**

#### D1 - Boys

- 1. Stevens Point
- 2. Madison West
- 3. Eau Claire Memorial

#### D1 – Girls

- 1. Arrowhead
- 2. Whitefish Bay
- 3. Neenah

#### D2 - Boys

- 1. Wisconsin Lutheran
- 2. Monroe
- 3. Shorewood

#### D2 – Girls

- 1. Madison Edgewood
- 2. Notre Dame
- 3. Two Rivers

#### D3 – Boys

- 1. Darlington
- 2. Chequamegon
- 3. Eau Claire Immanuel Lutheran

#### D3 – Girls

- 1. Lourdes Academy
- 2. Cedar Grove-Belgium
- 3. Lake Country Lutheran

#### **OLIN HACKER, MADISON WEST**

Hacker is the defending Division 1 state champion, finishing in a time of 15:46.19 seconds at the state championships at The Ridges Golf Course in Wisconsin Rapids. Olin went undefeated against Wisconsin runners last season and was named Gatorade Male Cross Country Runner of the Year. "Olin's greatest strengths certainly include his competitive drive. He doesn't like to lose and will do what it takes to win. Olin is one of the most committed athletes I have ever coached. Not only does he take care of his training demands, but he excels in the class room," coach Thomas Kaufman said. Hacker is also a standout in Track & Field, winning the Division 1 3200 run and placing third in the 1600 at state as a junior. "Olin has been elected Captain of his Cross Country team for 2 years and of his Track & Field team for 2 years. He sets a tremendous example of work ethic for his team mates. Olin is always willing to help the younger members of his team", commented Coach Kaufman. Olin's father Tim was a multi-time high school State Champion in Wisconsin as well as NCAA and USA T&F Champion.

#### NORA KELLER, LOURDES ACADEMY



Keller finished second at the Division 3 WIAA State Cross Country Championships last season and helped the Knights finish as the Division 3 Team Champions. Nora received WCCCA Honorable Mention All-State recognition to go along with being named Trailways Conference Runner of the Year. "Nora is the total package when it comes to distance running; one of those athletes that only comes around in a program every so often, if ever. She is talented, mentally tough, competitive, and durable, but most importantly, she is internally motivated," coach Paul Brown said. Coach Brown told WSN that Nora has helped fashion the blueprint for success as both a student and an athlete at Lourdes Academy. "She is able to maintain exemplarily grades and participate in numerous other extracurricular activities all while balancing the rigors of being a year-round athlete." Nora also excels in Track & Field, where last season she placed second at state in the 3200 meter run and 1600 meter run. Aside from competing in both cross country and track & field, Nora is also an integral part of musicals, madrigals, the forensics team, and wind ensemble at Lourdes Academy.



It was an intriguing year for the WSN Cup in 2013-14, as we saw a first time champion, a strong challenge to Arrowhead's dominance in the Large Schools Division, and a return to the top by Madison Edgewood.

Ultimately, Arrowhead held off a strong challenge from Middleton to claim the Large Schools trophy by less than three points, Madison Edgewood re-claimed the Medium Schools trophy, and University School of Milwaukee unseated Aquinas to claim the trophy in the Small Schools Division.

The WSN Cup is in its seventh year, recognizing schools that provide and achieve success in many of the WIAA sponsored sports. The award totals points earned in both boy's and girl's sports. All current WIAA sponsored sports with the exception of summer baseball are included as part of the scoring for the award.

For more information and to see full standings, visit www.wissports.net/wsncup.

#### **Large School Division**

It was a very similar 2013-14 sports year to the 2012-13 campaign for the Arrowhead Warhawks, as they amassed a dominating lead after the fall sports and scratched by in the spring to claim the Large Schools trophy for the seventh time in the seven years of the award.

A strong spring sports run by Middleton nearly toppled the Arrowhead dynasty, but the Cardinals 761.43 points were just a hair short of the 764 by the Warhawks.

Arrowhead scored a whopping 504 points in the fall thanks to titles in football, girls golf, and girls cross country plus a runner-up finish in girls swimming / diving and a state semi-final run in boys soccer. The spring season netted just 70 points, but it was enough to wrap up the trophy once again.

Congratulations to the Warhawks and Athletic Director Kevin Flegner.

In addition to Middleton, the rest of the top five in the Large Schools Division was Kimberly (595 points), Eau Claire Memorial (528.83), and Neenah (491).

#### **Medium School Division**

Madison Edgewood was back-to-back Medium School trophies in the 2008-09 and 2009-10 seasons, but Notre Dame had claimed the last three titles, including an overall top finish last year. The two schools battled it

out once again, but Edgewood hung on to reclaim the Medium Schools trophy.

An extremely strong fall sports season that saw the Crusaders claim titles in girls golf, girls tennis, and girls cross country plus a runner-up finish in girls volleyball set the stage for an outstanding season. Not only did Edgewood win the Medium School trophy, their total of 779.43 points was the highest of any school regardless of size. It is just the second time a school other than Arrowhead has posted the highest overall score.

Edgewood also got a state title from the boys swimming/diving team during the winter season, and runner-up finishes in boys tennis and boys golf in the spring.

Congratulations to the Crusaders and Athletic Director Chris Zwettler.

The rest of the top five consisted of Notre Dame (727 points), Catholic Memorial (529.93), Whitefish Bay (519), and McFarland (495).

#### **Small School Division**

The Small School Division was ruled by Aquinas for the first six years of the award, as the Blugolds claimed the Small School title each season. 2013-14 was a different story however, as Aquinas struggled mightily and finished well outside of the top, opening the door for University School of Milwaukee to claim a narrow victory over Regis.

The Wildcats got a title from the boys soccer team and runner-up finish in girls tennis during the fall season to get things off to a good start. The boys hockey team's trip to the state semi-finals was the only winter sports tournament run of note, but the spring was much stronger. The boys tennis team was a title and USM got strong finishes from boys track, girls soccer, and boys golf as well to rack up 444 total points, narrowly ahead of the 437 from Regis.

Congratulations to the Wildcats and Athletic Director Rick Johns.

In addition to Regis, the rest of the top five consisted of Lourdes Academy (418.33), Racine St. Catherine's (375), and The Prairie School (360).

Congratulations to the winners and a great job by all the teams during an outstanding and exciting 2013-14 sports season.

Look for the WSN Cup to appear in the winning school's trophy cases this fall.

#### **LARGE SCHOOLS**



1 Arrowhead 764 points



2 Middleton 761.43 points



3 Kimberly 595 points

- 4) Eau Claire Memorial 528.83
- 5) Neenah 491
- 6) Madison West 481.43
- 7) Germantown 467
- 8) Mukwonago 428.1
- 9) Stevens Point 426
- 10) Sun Prairie 419.2

#### MEDIUM SCHOOLS



1 Edgewood 779.43 points



2 Notre Dame 727 points



3 Catholic Memorial 529.93 points

- 4) Whitefish Bay 519
- 5) McFarland 495
- 6) Shorewood 395.5
- 7) Xavier 377.5
- 8) Mount Horeb 375.5
- 9) Wisconsin Lutheran 370
- 10) Grafton 326

#### <u>small schools</u>



1 University School 444 points



2 Regis 437 points



3 Lourdes Academy 418.33 points

- 4) Racine St. Catherine's 375
- 5) The Prairie School 360
- 6) McDonell Central 355
- 7) Newman Catholic 325
- 8) Lake Country Lutheran 285
- 9) Cuba City 280.6
- 10) Darlington 274

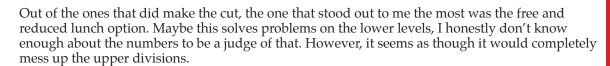
# BUZZER BEATER

By Nicholas Kartos

In mid-August, the WIAA Committee on Competitive Equity narrowed their solution options down to three that they will further study. The three options were:

- 1) Reducer based on free & reduced lunch numbers
- 2) Long-term Success Factor
- 3) Boundary (geographically limited, open enrollment, sport specific multipliers)

I was a big fan of the Ohio plan, when you use where a student went to middle school in determining enrollment, but while it was considered, it didn't make the cut.



Of the remaining two, I like the idea behind the "Long-Term Success Factor", or as I have called it in the past, a "Dynasty Rule." I also like how this applies to both private and public schools. However, some may be concerned about a rule where the efforts of graduating players effecting future students.

Boundary rules are good in theory but, to me, seem like they would be a nightmare to create and maintain. Also, depending on which boundary rule is selected, there could be ways to get around the penalties.

• It's crazy to think about, but we are entering our 13th year covering high school sports in our fine state. In that time period, we have seen many entities come and go: PrepsOnTheCom.net, SportsBubbler and countless Scout/Rivals publishers to name a few. We have also seen traditional media try all sorts of different things to take advantage of the great passion and interest in prep sports.

We have always taken the same stance, the more coverage there is, the more players, coaches and teams that can be highlighted, the better. Whether we're writing the article or someone else is, the promotion is what we have always thought is great. Plus when you have competition, you generally step your game up and I feel this has helped WSN retain its edge through the years.

With that being said, I would just like to point out that WISports.com is different than WisSports. net. WISports.com is a product of Journal Communications Group that, up until this season, was focused on college and pro sports. They are now venturing into the high school space which again is great, but I just want to make sure folks know that we are not one entity. While I am not excited about their domain choice, I wish them nothing but the best, just like all others that are out their putting time and effort covering our student-athletes.

- Don't forget that the 30th edition of the Wisconsin Basketball Yearbook will be unleashed in late October or early November. A huge shout out to Mark Miller and the tremendous job he does with that publication. Despite the explosion of preps coverage in recent years, Mark remains the best at what he does, not only in the state of Wisconsin, but nationwide. To order your very own copy of the 30th Wisconsin Basketball Yearbook, visit WBBY.com.
- Last but not least, two great basketball events to put on your calendar. Our annual WSN Prep Basketball Showcase is September 20th at the JustAgame Fieldhouse in Wisconsin Dells. This year, we are partnering with the WBCA on the event which every year attracts over 250 boys and girls basketball players from around the state. Sign-up online at WisSports.net; last year's event was sold out.

Speaking of the WBCA, they are having their annual Fall Clinic on October 2nd & 3rd at the JustAgame Fieldhouse as well. This year's clinic will feature Bo Ryan, Steve Wojciechowski, Saul Phillips and Rob Jeter. Sign-up is available online at WisBCA.org.

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