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Austin Fritz and New Berlin West took down West Bend West, 11-6, in the summer baseball title game. For more state champ pictures, turn to page 14.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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The Army National Guard of Wisconsin and WSN are proud to present the Athlete of the Week. This award honors the best performances across all sports on a weekly basis. We look for athletes who embody the National Guard's mission of answering the call, at home or abroad. Nominees are featured on WisSports.net every Sunday afternoon and the fans vote for who had the best performances throughout the week. The poll closes the following Thursday afternoon at 4 pm CST. The Army National Guard Athlete of the Week link can be found on the WSN homepage and fans can easily choose their favorite athlete.

We encourage players, coaches, parents, etc. to send us recommendations every week for who they think is deserving of the Athlete of the Week recognition. Nominations can be forwarded to info@wissports.net.

We featured a variety of athletes for this award wrapping up the spring sports season, including:

Beth Wood (pictured) of Mineral Point played a big part in leading the Pointers to their first ever WIAA State Softball title. Wood allowed only 1 earned run, struck out 3 while also going 3-for-4 at the plate to help the Pointers to the Division 3 state title with a 7-2 victory

over Kenosha St. Joseph. In state semi-finals, Beth scattered eight hits, tallied five strikeouts and didn't allow an earned run. The Pointers won the game, 2-1, over Pacelli, last year's D3 champ. She was a WFSCA Second Team All-State selection. Wood received 1,694 of the 4,385 votes cast, edging out Westosha Central's Sarah Fonk.

The Ozaukee girls soccer program is one of the best in Wisconsin, with six appearances in the state tournament. In June, the Warriors claimed a fourth Division 3 state title behind a strong performance from senior Katie Bares. She scored two goals and assisted on another in the Warriors' 3-1 victory over The Prairie School to win the Division 3 Soccer State Championship. Of the 3,665 votes that were cast in that week's poll, Bares received 1,263. Matt Byars of Lodi baseball finished second in the voting with 986 votes.

As the season goes along you can look for athletes from all the sports on our site to be included in the Army National Guard Athlete of the Week nominations. Whether they posted a record-breaking statistical performance, came through in the clutch when their team needed it, or exemplified impressive character on the field of competition, if an athlete has excelled, they will be considered for nomination.



Beth Wood

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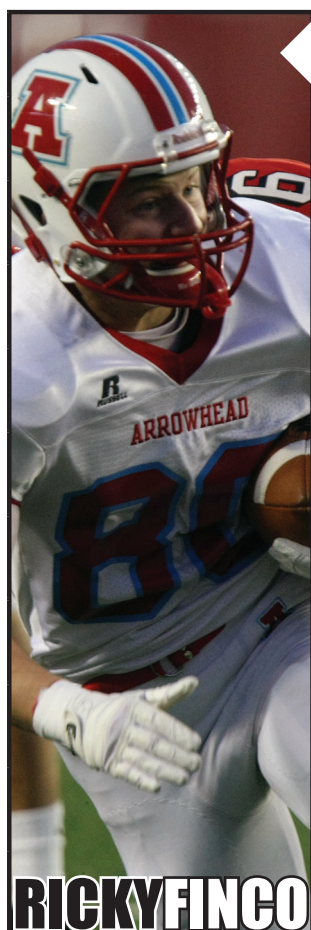
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DIVISION ONE



RICKY FINCO

ARROWHEAD	The defending champs dominated last year and many feel they could be even better in 2013. Seven seniors have D1 offers already.
BADGER	The Badgers advanced to the state semi-finals last year and have 17 starters back this year for head coach Matt Hensler.
BAY PORT	The Pirates will be in for a battle in the deep FRCC, with All-Conference running back Alec Ingold making the switch to quarterback.
FRANKLIN	The always-strong passing attack is led by the state's top senior quarterback Sean McGuire, and the defense should be strong as well.
HUDSON	The Raiders took a big step forward last year in advancing to the state semi-finals but graduated a large and talented senior class.
KIMBERLY	All-State receiver Scott Schreiber makes the move to quarterback this season in what should again be an explosive offense.
MENOMONEE FALLS	Head coach John Baker always has a strong defense, even though several top players from the unit have graduated this year.
MUKWONAGO	The Indians are ready to take another step forward in coach Clay Iverson's second year and feature one of the state's top defenders in LB Dominic Cizauskas.
SUN PRAIRIE	The D1 state runners-up last year, the Cardinals return nine players that garnered All-Conference, including standout DL Craig Evans and QB Ryan Curran.
SUSSEX HAMILTON	The Chargers will look to ride workhorse RB Drew Patterson to a Greater Metro title after he earned Player of the Year in the league last season.
others to watch	Appleton North, Germantown, Green Bay Preble, Kenosha Bradford, Madison Memorial, Madison West, Manitowoc Lincoln, Marquette, Middleton, Milwaukee King, Muskego, Oak Creek, Oconomowoc, Racine Horlick, Stevens Point, Verona, Waukesha West

DIVISION TWO



BRYCE JUEDES

BROOKFIELD CENTRAL	Running back DeMario Harris and offensive lineman Luke Rasmussen are big-time collegiate prospects for the Lancers.
BROOKFIELD EAST	A strong class including WFLA Defensive POY Alec James has graduated, but the returning Greater Metro champs should be in the thick of the league race again.
CEDARBURG	Versatile senior running back Hudson Walton and quarterback Mike Mojica lead the Bulldogs' spread offense.
GREENDALE	A prolific offense will be led by junior quarterback Josh Ringelberg, who threw for more than 1900 yards and ran for 900 more.
G.B. SOUTHWEST	Bryce Paup has moved on to the college ranks but Southwest's program is solid and ready to keep going under co-coaches Tim Birr and Pat Wallace.
HOMESTEAD	After competing in D1 for more than 20 years, the Highlanders dropped down and won the D2 title last year, entering 2013 as one of the favorites again.
MARSHFIELD	Look for explosive senior Keiron Howlett to step right in for the graduated Riley Gebelein at RB for the Tigers, who advanced to the state semi-finals last year.
MENOMONIE	The Mustangs saw their 20-year run of winning at least one playoff game come to an end last year but are ready to start another streak in 2013.
WAUNAKEE	The Warriors saw their 48-game winning streak snapped in last year's title game and lose a number of top players, but should be among state's best by end of the year once again.
WAUWATOSA WEST	Versatile playmakers Develyn Ferguson and Jameson Brock lead the resurgent Trojans, who last season made just their second playoff appearance in 27 years.
others to watch	Ashwaubenon, DeForest, De Pere, Fort Atkinson, Holmen, Hortonville, La Crosse Central, La Crosse Logan, Oshkosh North, Pulaski, Waterford, Watertown, Waukesha West, Wausau East, Whitefish Bay

CONTENDERREPORT

DIVISION THREE



ALECK KOCOUR

CATHOLIC MEMORIAL	After a couple losses in the larger and challenging Classic Eight, the Crusaders ran to the Division 3 state title last season.
GRAFTON	A breakout candidate in 2013, the Blackhawks return a considerable amount of talent after missing the playoffs last year.
MENASHA	Competing against much larger teams in the VFA-South could lead to a less than perfect record, but they'll be battle tested if they get into the playoffs.
MONONA GROVE	Four-straight unbeaten Badger-South titles make the Silver Eagles the favorites once again. Wisconsin recruit Jaden Gault anchors a talented and experienced line.
PEWAUKEE	The Pirates didn't miss a beat in head coach Justin Friske's first year and will feature an outstanding defensive front in 2013.
PLYMOUTH	Quarterback Kollin Neills is one of the best in the division and he'll line up behind a pair of returning First Team All-Conference linemen.
SEYMOUR	Plenty of talent is back as the Thunder challenge West De Pere's recent stranglehold on the Bay Conference.
WAUPACA	Head coach John Koronkiewicz always has the Comets playing at a high level, and despite tough graduation losses, they will be among the division's best once again.
WEST DE PERE	The Phantoms' two-year reign as D3 champs came to an end in the state semi-finals but head coach Bill Turnquist has a group that could get back to Madison once again.
WISCONSIN LUTHERAN	The Vikings lose a large group of talented players and will have less depth than years past, but head coach Rob DeNoyer has one of the state's top programs.
others to watch	East Troy, Jefferson, Kewaskum, Luxemburg-Casco, Madison Edgewood, McFarland, Medford, Mosinee, Mount Horeb/Barneveld, New Berlin West, Osceola, Reedsburg, Rice Lake, Two Rivers, West Salem

DIVISION FOUR



GAEL NELMORE

BIG FOOT	A dominating season ended with heartbreak in an overtime loss to Somerset in the D4 title game, but the Chieftains should be a threat in the division once again.
BLOOMER	With leading rusher Colton Seibel, also a First Team All-Conference LB, coming back, head coach John Post should again feature a strong running attack.
FREEDOM	The return of the state's leading rusher Nathan Peeters has former NFL player Clint Kriewaldt and his Irish team thinking league title.
LAKESIDE LUTHERAN	Quarterback Luke Thiele and Capitol-North Defensive Lineman of the Year Andrew Graumann lead the defending conference champions.
LITTLE CHUTE	Brian Ryczkowski takes over for Greg Enz as head coach after a successful stint as an assistant at Big Foot.
LODI	The school's boys basketball and baseball teams went to state last year with many of the same athletes, and the Blue Devils should compete for the Capitol-North title.
PLATTEVILLE	After finishing third in the SWC last year, the Hillmen figure to battle Lancaster and River Valley again this year.
SOMERSET	The defending state champs lose a considerable amount of talent and leadership but you can bet veteran head coach Bruce Larson will have the team in contention.
SPOONER	Quarterback Gavin Anderson is one of the best in the division and figures to lead a strong offense once again for the Rails.
WAUTOMA	Highly-versatile senior Bryce Bennot catches the ball, runs with it, and is a standout on defense for head coach Mike Klieforth.
others to watch	Black River Falls, Brodhead/Juda, Chilton, Edgerton, Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau, Kettle Moraine Lutheran, Nekoosa, Northwestern, River Valley, Roncalli, Saint Croix Central, Sturgeon Bay, Wrightstown

DIVISION FIVE



AMHERST	A strong senior class has graduated from last year's D5 champions, but head coach Mark Lusic has another group capable of a deep playoff run.
BRILLION	The Lions are always a tough, physical and fundamental team under head coach Pete Kittel, who has led the school to state titles in both football and boys basketball.
CEDAR GROVE-BELGIUM	They'll miss running back Alex Giles, who went for more than 5,000 yards in his career, but the Rockets have a veteran team and are ready for another strong season.
COLBY	The strength and depth of the program will be tested this year, but the Hornets have usually risen to the challenge with new faces embracing much larger roles.
DURAND	Pre-season injuries hit the Panthers hard, but they figure to battle Somerset for control of the Middle Border Conference once again.
LACONIA	The team will be strong up front but will certainly miss the production of RB Cody Moon, who went for 1947 yards and 26 TDs last season.
LANCASTER	Always near the top under head coach John Hoch, the Flying Arrows have fell just short in two-straight D5 title games but are hoping to take home the gold ball this year.
RACINE ST. CATHERINE'S	Sean Madden is one of the most physical running backs in the state and is part of a deep and talented backfield for the Angels.
STANLEY-BOYD	The skill positions are loaded for head coach Jeff Koenig's powerful offense, and they'll be well-tested in the strong Cloverbelt Conference.
STRATFORD	It's a new era for the Tigers as Jason Tubbs takes over for legendary coach Cal Tackes, who led the program to six state titles.
others to watch	Aquinas, Arcadia, Auburndale, Cuba City, Cumberland, Elk Mound, Kenosha St. Joseph's, Marathon, Mondovi, Pardeeville, Prescott, Westby

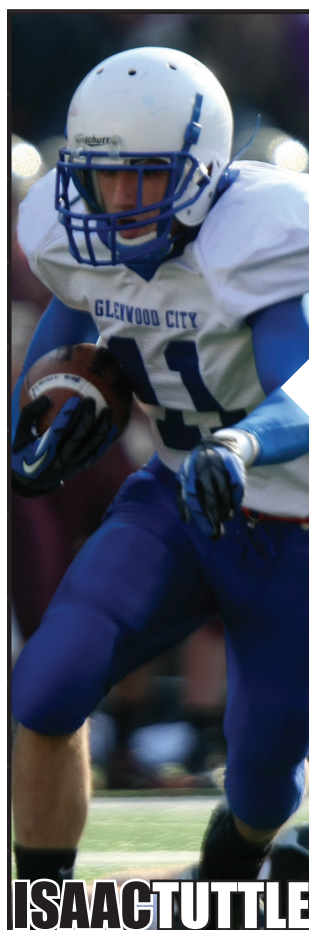
DIVISION SIX



ATHENS	The Bluejays have won at least a share of two consecutive Cloverwood titles and will be in the thick of things again in what should be a very competitive league.
BANGOR	The Cardinals lose RBs Alex Peters and Adam Meyers, who combined for more than 2600 yards, but return versatile back J.J. Hundt, who went for more than 800.
DARLINGTON	The Redbirds are ready to get back to the state finals for the first time since 1997, and a strong group of juniors and seniors could make that happen this year.
EDGAR	The Wildcats have made five-straight trips to at least the state semi-finals, and this year could get back to the title game behind a deep and talented roster.
KICKAPOO/LA FARGE	Running backs Zane Parker, Matt Miller, and Ben Jacobs are back after combining for 2200 yards and 25 touchdowns.
REEDSVILLE	Brock Gilsdorf is one of the conference's more versatile players, leading the team in both rushing and passing a year ago.
REGIS	Regis, last year's D6 runner-up, has established itself as a state power and is expected to reload every year, but there are some significant holes to fill at the skill positions.
ST. MARY'S SPRINGS	The two-time defending champs show no sign of slowing down under the state's winningest coach Bob Hyland, and are the favorites once again.
SHIOCTON	With a four-year starter at quarterback in Talon Heinemeyer and one of the division's best two-way players in Jacob Van Asten, the Chiefs are loaded for another deep playoff run.
WHITEHALL	They dominated the Dairyland but went 0-2 outside the league last year. The Norse feature 1400-yard rusher Kole Dubiel, who also part of a strong returning defensive unit.
others to watch	Algoma, Boyceville, Coleman, Crivitz, Deerfield, Fennimore, Flambeau, Hurley, Iowa-Grant, Lourdes Academy, Manitowoc Lutheran, Markesan, Mineral Point, Pacelli, Peca-tonica/Argyle, Pittsville, Rosholt, Wild Rose

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DIVISION SEVEN



CLAYTON	The components of last year's prolific passing offense are gone, but senior James Hoffmann is one of the most versatile running backs in the state.
COCHRANE-FOUNTAIN CITY	Depth is an issue, but the Pirates have advanced to Level 3 each of the past two seasons and have a veteran core of players.
FALL RIVER	Head coach Brian Zacho welcomes back a considerable amount of talent from last year's team that will look to move up the Trailways-Small standings.
FREDERIC	The Vikings have become one of the most consistent programs in D7, with 11-straight postseason appearances and a total of 6 playoff wins in the last 4 years.
GLENWOOD CITY	Last year's D7 champs return Isaac Tuttle, Nick Mrdutt, and Jeff Kopacz, who combined for more than 3200 rushing yards with 45 touchdowns.
GREENWOOD/GRANTON	After a state title in 2011, the G2 co-op slipped to a fourth place league finish last year. They should be back in the hunt once again this year however.
LAKE COUNTRY LUTHERAN	The Lightning have been on the cusp of a run to state the last few years, and this could be the year they break through.
LOYAL	Logan Fulwiler and Andrew Szymanski are two-way standouts for the Greyhounds, who shared the Cloverwood Conference title last year.
OWEN-WITHEE	Running back Bryce Niemi and quarterback Albert Goerlitz are back to spearhead the always potent rushing attack for the Blackhawks.
PEPIN/ALMA	Senior Aikan Major is one of the most versatile players in the division, and will be needed to increase his production on offense following the graduation of several key players.
others to watch	Almond-Bancroft, Black Hawk, Catholic Central, Clear Lake, De Soto, Gilman, Highland, Hilbert, Hillsboro, Independence/Gilmanton, Ithaca, Johnson Creek, New Lisbon, Newman Catholic, Potosi, Randolph, Rio, Suring, Turtle Lake

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JV and Varsity Boys
November 10 - Wissports Warm-Up Classic
JV and Varsity Girls
November 16 - Boys High School Scrimmage
JV and Varsity Boys
November 17 - Rookies Fastbreak Shootout
4-8 Boys and Girls
November 23 - Girls High School Scrimmage
JV and Varsity Girls
November 23 - 2:30 PM DC Everest v. Waukesha West - Boys
November 24 - Rookies Fall Ball Shootout
4-8 Boys and Girls
November 29 - Just A Game Thanksgiving Shootout - Boys
5:50 West Salem v. WI Rapids Lincoln
7:30 Racine Park v. Kimberly
November 29 - Mike Lee Skills Camp
November 30 - Just A Game Thanksgiving Shootout - Boys
4:10 Consolation
5:50 Championship
November 30 - Pizza Pub Turkey Shootout
4-6 Boys and Girls

December 1 - Dells Club Basketball Classic
4-6 Boys and Girls 7-8th Boys
December 6 Dubuque Senior v. Hamilton High School - Boys

December 7 SCC v. Capitol Conference Battle
2:30 Westfield v. Luther Prep - Girls
4:10 Westfield v. Luther Prep - Boys
5:50 Mauston v. Belleville - Girls
7:30 Mauston v. Belleville - Boys
December 7 - Wilderness Black Ice Classic
4-5 Boys and Girls
December 8 - Dunkin' Donuts Early Winter Classic
6-8 Boys and Girls
December 13 7:30 PM Hustisford v. Pecatonica - Boys
December 14 SCC v. Capital Conference Battle
2:30 Adams-Friendship v. Luther Prep - Girls
4:10 Adams-Friendship v. Luther Prep - Boys
5:50 Wautoma v. Wis Heights - Girls
7:30 Wautoma v. Wis Heights - Boys
December 14 - The Shoe Box Christmas Shopping Classic
7-8 Boys and Girls
December 15 - The Shoe Box Christmas Shopping Classic
4-6 Boys and Girls

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TOP 40 SENIORS



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JADEN GAULT



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CRAIG EVANS



3
GEORGE PANOS



4
BILLY HIRSCHFELD

1. Jaden Gault, Monona Grove, 6'7" 310, OL – Gault has been a standout for three years, earning First Team All-State last season before committing to Wisconsin.

2. Craig Evans, Sun Prairie, 6'3" 305, DL – A dominating player with an incredible blend of size, power, and agility, Evans has offers from dozens of colleges but is committed to Wisconsin after an All-State junior season.

3. George Panos, Arrowhead, 6'5" 294, OL – The son of former Wisconsin standout and NFL veteran Joe Panos, George was a First Team All-Conference and WFLA All-State selection and is committed to Wisconsin.

4. Billy Hirschfeld, Arrowhead, 6'6" 266, DL – A First Team All-State selection last year, Hirschfeld recorded 7 tackles and a sack in the D1 title game before committing to Wisconsin in May.

5. Dominic Cizauskas, Mukwonago, 6'1" 245, LB – One of the most physically gifted multi-sport athletes in the state, Cizauskas committed to Wisconsin after a strong showing at the Badgers' camp this summer.

6. Gaelin Elmore, Somerset, 6'5" 236, TE – The top tight end prospect in Wisconsin in several years, Elmore is a dominating blocker and outstanding receiver. He is committed to Minnesota over offers from Wisconsin and Nebraska.

7. Conor Sheehy, Marquette, 6'4" 265, DL – Committed to Wisconsin over an offer from Michigan, Sheehy earned First Team All-State recognition after recording 20 tackles for loss and 8 sacks last season.

8. Austin Roberts, Rice Lake, 6'3" 226, LB – He was a First Team All-State selection by the WFLA after recording 152 tackles and 7 sacks as a junior and gave a commitment to Illinois over the summer.

9. Sam Seonbuchner, Arrowhead, 6'2" 215, LB – An Iowa State com-

mit, Seonbuchner is an athletic playmaker at the linebacker spot on a loaded Arrowhead defense.

10. Alec Kocour, Catholic Memorial, 6'1" 182, DB – A First Team All-State choice as a junior, he recorded 107 tackles, 12 interception, and scored three defensive touchdowns for the Division 3 state champion Crusaders.

11. Marcus Collins, Madison La Follette, 6'4" 210, DB/ATH – Committed to Pitt as an H-back, Collins is a standout on the defensive side of the ball where his size and athletic ability allow him to make plays all over the field.

12. Max Scharping, Green Bay Southwest, 6'6" 260, OL – Scharping is still growing into his frame and has plenty of room to add good weight, but was a First Team All-Conference choice and has committed to Northern Illinois.

13. Beau Benzschawel, Grafton, 6'6" 250, TE/DL – A traditional in-line tight end with ideal size, Benzschawel displays soft hands in the passing game and can engulf defenders as a blocker.

14. Luke Rasmussen, Brookfield Central, 6'7" 252, OL – Blessed with ideal size for the position, Rasmussen shows outstanding mobility and athleticism. He's garnered more than a dozen scholarship offers so far.

15. Jacob Maxwell, Greendale, 6'7" 277, OL – Maxwell really burst onto the scene in the off-season, making positive impressions at several camps and combines before committing to Northern Illinois.

16. Kory Kodanko, West De Pere, 6'6" 320, OL – Kodanko is a dominating run blocker, engulfing defenders and blowing them off the ball. He committed to Iowa State earlier this year.

17. Sean McGuire, Franklin, 6'3" 205, QB – McGuire enters 2013 as a three-year starter for the Sabers, earning First Team All-Conference recognition last season after throwing for 1396 yards and 13 TDs.

TOP40SENIORS

18. Drew Patterson, Sussex Hamilton, 6'0" 190, RB – He was the Greater Metro Offensive Player of the Year after rushing for 1969 yards with 26 TDs, with offers from several D1 schools.

19. Matt Seitz, Arrowhead, 6'2" 215, LB – The Warhawks leading tackler with 99 stops last year, Seitz anchors the middle and has multiple Division 1 college offers heading into his senior season.

20. Rickey Neal, Jr., Racine Horlick, 6'3" 195, QB/ATH – Neal ran for more than 1200 yards and 13 scores last year as his athletic ability has drawn attention from numerous colleges as a wide receiver or defensive back as well.

21. Isaiah Lesure, Mount Horeb/Barneveld, 6'2" 170, WR – Lesure is an explosive athlete that has good size and length as well, and does a nice job going up to get the ball at its highest point. He's picked up offers from North Dakota State and North Dakota.

22. Hudson Walton, Cedarburg, 6'1" 193, RB/LB – A four-year varsity player, he's combined for more than 2400 yards and 29 touchdowns the last two seasons. He has an offer from North Dakota, and some schools like him at linebacker.

23. Ricky Finco, Arrowhead, 5'9" 160, WR – Finco was a playmaker all season for the Division 1 champs, catching 43 passes for 1015 yards and 12 touchdowns on his way to First Team All-Conference recognition.

24. Jonathan Carson, Messmer, 6'3" 230, TE/DE – A bit raw, Carson has loads of potential, with a commitment to Central Michigan. Last year he caught 27 passes for 734 yards and 8 touchdowns.

25. Andy Fidler, Port Washington, 6'6" 270, OL – He has good size and the ability to hold the point of attack on both offense and defense, and has offers from North Dakota, Bowling Green, and Fordham so far.

26. Brandon Hines, Homestead, 6'1" 275, DL – Hines possesses good size and strength for the position and has shown the ability to be a disruptive force in offensive backfields. He's got offers from North Dakota and South Dakota.

27. Daurice Fountain, Madison Memorial, 6'2" 185, WR – A state champion in the hurdles and long jump, Fountain has loads of athletic potential and a good frame, so it's no wonder D1 schools have come calling.

28. Thor Riemer, Osceola, 6'5" 275, OL – He was a First Team All-Conference pick a year ago for the Chieftains. Riemer has an offer from Northern Colorado currently.

29. Russell Chambers, Milwaukee Riverside, 6'5" 220, OL/DE – The City Conference Lineman of the Year, Chambers earned an offer from and committed to Northern Illinois as a defensive end.

30. James Nachtigal, Fort Atkinson, 6'2" 205, WR/ATH – A Unanimous First Team All-Conference selection as a wide receiver last season, Nachtigal caught 47 passes for 675 yards and 2 touchdowns and could wind up at several positions at the next level.

31. Aubrey Johnson, Madison West, 6'3" 220, TE – Johnson has a rare blend of size, strength, and athletic ability in his 6-3, 225 pound frame. A First Team All-Conference pick, he has D1 offers from North Dakota and Northern Colorado.

32. Alex Romenesko, Arrowhead, 6'0" 185, DB – A leg injury before the season started will cost him his senior year, but Romenesko has an offer from South Dakota State.

33. DeMario Harris, Brookfield Central, 5'11" 202, RB – Harris is already a two-time First Team All-Conference selection in the strong Greater Metro heading into his senior season, rushing for more than 2100 yards and 27 touchdowns the last two years.

34. David Kornack, Edgar, 6'5" 245, TE/DE – Kornack is an ideal in-line tight end prospect, where his size allows him to engulf defenders as a blocker. He displays good hands and an ability to get behind defenders in the passing game.

35. Aaron Fischer, Sun Prairie, 5'11" 230, FB – One of the top fullback prospects to come out of the state in some time, Fischer is a versatile lead blocker that is also adept at catching the ball out of the backfield.

36. Adam Stiner, Verona, 6'5" 265, OL – Stiner plays guard in the Wildcats offense and is asked to trap, pull, and move quite often, things he does quite well. He got an offer from North Dakota back in June.

37. Ben Fischer, Crivitz, 6'1" 200, RB/LB – He has good size at 6'1", 200 pounds and ran an impressive 4.63 40-yard dash earlier this spring. He averaged more than 180 yards per game last season.

38. Develyn Ferguson, Wauwatosa West, 6'2" 175, WR – With a 4.49 40-yard dash and 39 inch vertical, Ferguson has the right kind of measurables for the D1 level. He was a First Team All-Conference pick last year with 6 touchdown catches.

39. Sam Schrauth, Saint Mary's Springs, 6'3" 310, OL/DL – Schrauth is powerfully built and ideal as an inside lineman on either side of the ball. His strength and solid footwork allow him to penetrate well on defense or get to the next level as a run blocker.

40. Bryce Juedes, Homestead, 5'11" 195, DB – He played considerably at outside linebacker last season and may line up there this year, but his college future is at safety. He is well-built at 5-11, 195 pounds and has very good athleticism, running a 4.54 40-yard dash.



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2010 Winner - Lance Baretz, Franklin
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RB – Elroy “Crazylegs” Hirsch, Wausau HS & UW
2012 Winner - Mason Dixon, Big Foot
2011 Winner - Leo Musso, Waunakee
2010 Winner - Melvin Gordon, Kenosha Bradford
2009 Winner - Steve Lichtfuss, Appleton North

WRITE – Al Toon, University of Wisconsin
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
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
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
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
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
2012 Winner - Donnie Manke, Lodi
2011 Winner - Lucas Otto, Sun Prairie
2010 Winner - Drew Meyer, Arrowhead
2009 Winner - Kyle French, Menomonee Falls

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Those lists will be trimmed to 25 for each position halfway through the year, with five finalists to be selected at the outset of the playoffs. A panel of WSN staff along with several veteran prep sports journalists throughout the state will review the finalists and select a winner for each award, with an announcement made the week of the state football finals.

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.



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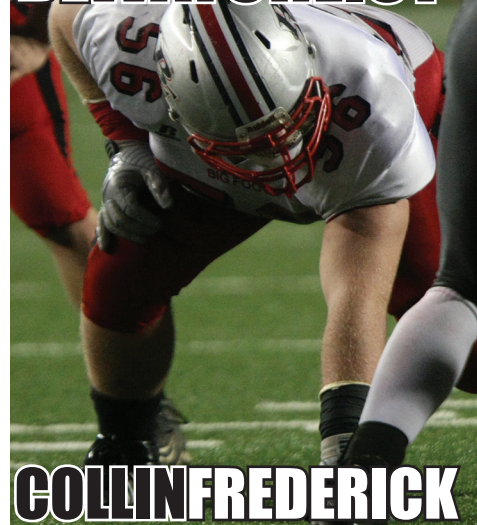
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Tyler Olson, North Crawford
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Logan Peterson, Cedar Grove-Belgium
Raymond Pierce, Messmer/Shorewood
Evan Polce, Appleton North
Hunter Prokash, Algoma
Cooper Radtke, Oshkosh North
Tywan Ramsey, Messmer/Shorewood
Ben Randerson, Freedom
Matt Reynolds, Badger
Grant Richman, Chilton

Jay Ritger, Mosinee
Connor Rolan, Appleton North
Alex Romanesko, Arrowhead
Levi Sanborn, Peshtigo
Derek Schambow, Platteville
Joe Schroeder, Fall River
Trevor Seewald, Coleman
Travis Sigg, Dodgeville
Drew Slade, Pardeeville
McKale Slagel, Prairie Farm
Marcus Smith, Menomonie
Max Soderberg, Mosinee
Brandon Stanek, Hillsboro
Payton Sterkowitz, Reedsburg
Elijah Strong, Oak Creek
Joey Swanson, Northern Elite
Alex Teich, Grafton
Carter Tesch, Menasha
Luke Thiele, Lakeside Lutheran
Alec Treuthardt, Pecatonica-Argyle
Eric Van Vleet, G-E-T
Dalton Varsho, Marshfield
Luke Winnen, Kimberly
Jonathon Wodarz, Pepin/Alma
Matt Wolter, Antigo
Brent Yaron, Medford
Cole Yoder, Oshkosh West

SMALLSCHOOL SLEEPERS



BLAKE ANDERSON

Blake Anderson, Auburndale – Anderson is an outstanding multi-sport athlete for the Apaches, including playing a key role on the football team that advanced to the playoffs last year and could be in line for an even bigger season in 2013. In seven conference games last year he led the league with 91 completions and 152 attempts, finishing with 1,268 yards and 14 touchdowns.

Kyle Becker, Pardeeville – The Bulldogs figure to push for the Trailways-Large Conference title this season, and Becker is a very big reason for that. After a solid sophomore season that saw him rush for 742 yards and eight scores, he broke out for 1,607 yards and 17 touchdowns last year. He's already off to a good start in 2013, averaging 175 yards per game.

Kole Dubiel, Whitehall – In his first season as the primary running back last year, Dubiel exploded onto the scene to rush for 1,462 yards and 17 touchdowns while averaging 9.9 yards per carry. A First Team All-Conference pick on offense, he also earned Second Team recognition as a linebacker. In the early going this year, he's averaging better than 130 yards per game and 7.1 yards per carry.

Ike Floyd, Saint Mary's Springs – Floyd has been a big part of two-straight Division 6 champions, rushing for more than 1,700 yards and 34 touchdowns the past two seasons. He did it despite sharing carries with Darin Ward, who put up comparable numbers. With Ward now graduated, Floyd is ready to shine. Floyd is listed at just 5'8", 152 pounds, but you'd be hard-pressed to think of him as small after watching him play. He runs with a reckless abandon and, while he certainly can make defenders miss, he isn't afraid to deliver the blow.

Collin Kennedy, Luther – Kennedy didn't make much of an impact for the Knights last season, but the junior wide receiver has turned into a big-play machine in the first few games of 2013. In a season-opening win over Blair-Taylor, he hauled in seven passes for 241 yards and two scores. He followed it up with a six catch, 196-yard, three touchdown performance in a loss to Cashton. After two weeks, he is more than 120 yards ahead of the next closest person on the receiving yard leaderboard.



KOLE DUBIEL



ETHAN YOUNG

Sam Koss, Algoma – Koss was a Second Team All-Conference selection last year but has really burst onto the scene in the early part of 2013. In a season-opening win over Sturgeon Bay, he carried the ball 24 times for 107 yards and a touchdown. The Wolves travelled to Southern Door in Week 2, where they posted a 49-28 victory. Koss exploded for numerous big runs, carrying the ball 23 times for 388 yards and four touchdowns.

Aikan Major, Pepin/Alma – Major was a First Team All-Conference selection for the Pepin/Alma co-op last year. A traditional middle linebacker on defense, he uses good athletic ability, size and strength to attack the line of scrimmage, where he is one of the better hitters in the area. Major also carries the ball in the team's offense and some schools are looking at him as a fullback at the next level.

Tyler Sorensen, Stanley-Boyd – Sorensen is part of a Stanley-Boyd offense that returns most of the playmakers from last year's squad that finished second in the highly-competitive Cloverbelt Conference. The Orioles are one of the favorites this year as Sorensen is back after earning First Team All-Conference recognition in 2012 when he passed for nearly 1,200 yards and 12 touchdowns. He's a three-year starter for head coach Jeff Koenig.

Joey Swanson, Northern Elite – Swanson posted a solid junior season, throwing for 656 yards and seven touchdowns while rushing for 1,126 yards and 14 scores. He started 2013 with a bang as he matched his passing touchdown total from last year in the first two games of the new season. His impact on the game doesn't stop on offense, as he also earned First Team All-Conference recognition as a defensive back and punter.

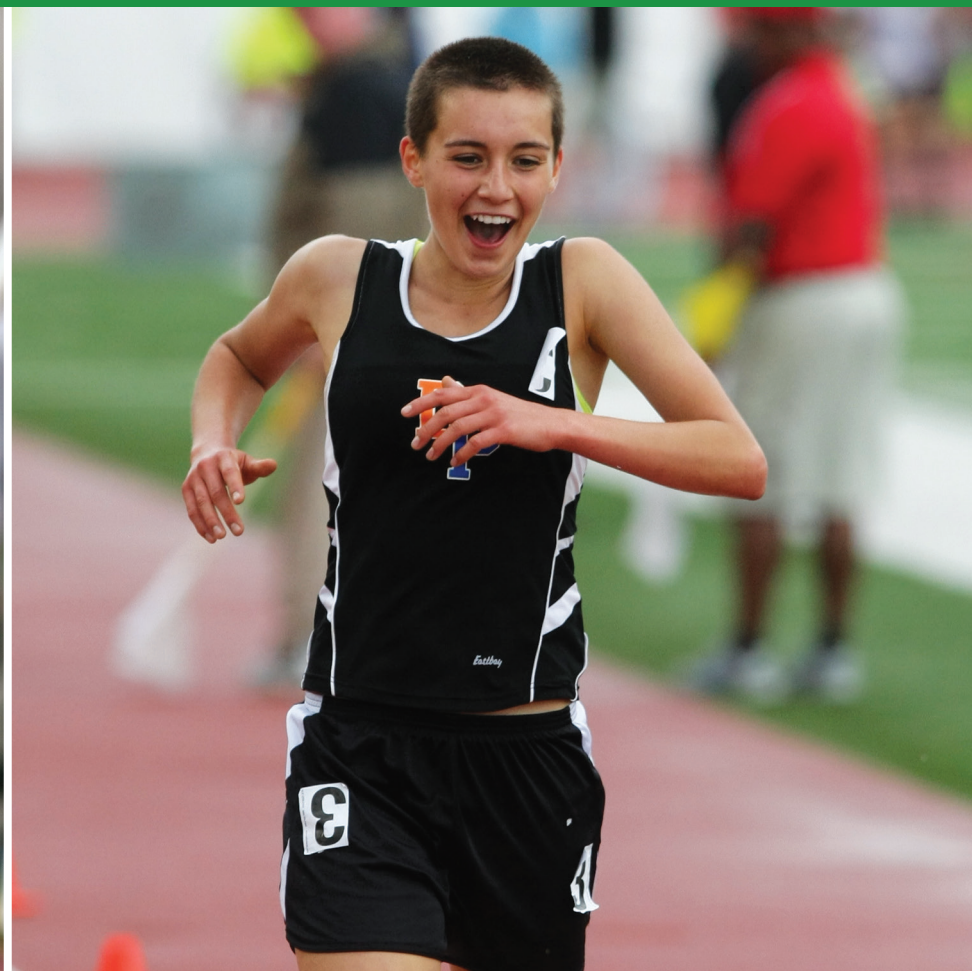
Ethan Young, Black River Falls – One of the state's most prolific passers a year ago, Young had the most yards and touchdowns in 2012 of any returning player. Spearheading the Tigers' high-powered offense last season, he completed 122 of 196 attempts (62.2%) for 2,357 yards and 27 touchdowns as the team advanced to the state semi-finals. Among starting quarterbacks, he was fifth in the state with a passer rating of 133. He's decisive in getting the ball out to his receivers and consistently places the ball where it needs to be.

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Top: Lena/St. Thomas senior Marlena Wagner took the D3 pole vault gold with an 11'3" finish, nine inches better than any other competitor.

Bottom: Madison West's Gina Sereno (left) won the 3200m run in Division 1 with a time of 10:39.85, while D2 went to Dodgeville/Mineral Point junior Mairin Cahill (right) at 10:37.93.



2013 TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIP



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Top: Cuba City senior Greg Ganter won the Division 3 shot put title with his 57-7.75 mark.

Bottom: Madison Memorial's Daurice Fountain won the D1 long jump, 110m hurdles and finished ninth in the 300m hurdles.



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WISCONSIN SPORTS SERVICES

WSS is making progress in bringing their professional style to "Badgerland"

In April of 2013, the Wisconsin Sports Services was established to service parent-volunteer youth sports organizations throughout the state of Wisconsin. The WSS works closely with these organizations in an effort to create and administer quality youth sports events that serve as important fund-raisers for local youth athletic associations. In turn, the WSS uses the dollars generated from their programs to continue adding more services and opportunities for youth athletes in Wisconsin.

The WSS is an extension of the Minnesota Youth Athletic Services (MYAS), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that has successfully been in business since 1991. The MYAS has been able to deliver endless opportunities to Minnesota athletes throughout the years and is Minnesota's trusted leader in the delivery of quality youth sport programming. The success of MYAS programs is the main reason the company decided to expand its offerings to the Badger State.

After five months, the WSS continues to make friends and progress throughout the state of Wisconsin! From the grapplers at the Badgerland Nationals to the hurlers in the

Badgerland Fall Fast Pitch League; from the high flyers playing in Badgerland Basketball Super Savers this year to the baseball players of the Badgerland Tournament of Champions that will be receiving their Jostens championship at home plate in Miller Park, the WSS is



excited to say that their program offerings are expanding on a daily basis! Check out the next page for their future events but don't be surprised if by the time this article is published, they have a new program or event to pump...

For detailed information regarding WSS programs and events, check out their website at www.wisportsservices.org or call their headquarters in Madison at 608-210-1710 to learn more about the WSS and what they can do for you!

GOALS OF WISCONSIN SPORTS SERVICES

- Link youth sports associations throughout Wisconsin through our website and our events.
- Become a Central Clearinghouse for all things youth sports. Tryout information, links to local websites, association resources, etc...
- Assist local sports organizations with fund-raising efforts via hosting WSS events.
- Build a comprehensive state-wide program in the sports of baseball and basketball that is delivered in a constant and fair manner.
- Assist those interested in setting up their own local association the right way. Teaching "Best Practices".
- Building Advisory Committees for each sport to assist in the direction of the program. "We want to know what Wisconsin wants and we give everyone an opportunity to voice their opinion."
- Administer quality events for every level of competition.
- Provide Educational programs and resources to assist administrators, volunteers, coaches, parents, players, & officials in creating a positive experience for all.
- Use advanced technological resources to enhance participant experience.
- Partner with statewide business who are interested in enhancing and improving the culture of youth sports in Wisconsin.

MORE INFO ON WSS

- Sports of focus: wrestling, basketball, softball & baseball, although the team will venture into sports where an obvious need exists.
- The WSS staff is creating a network of host organizations across the state, and does not intend to conduct their events in one location.
- Educational Services: Through background checks, coaches' and parent education programs, volunteer training, baseball umpires' and basketball officials' training, the new Coaches' Verification Program and the creation of the "Youth Sports University", WSS is working to assist communities in developing their youth sports programs.
- High tech: "Our web site is second to none, developed by the fine folks at Sport Ngin," said WSS Marketing Director Brian Meeter. "The web site provides an easy to follow format with tournament listings, registrations, and the latest news is at the click of a button. Our WSS created software allows for real-time scores at all of our tournaments."
- Call to Hosts: The WSS is currently looking for hosts for our events. We are looking for organizations that have a true interest in raising funds and for providing competitive opportunities in their communities.
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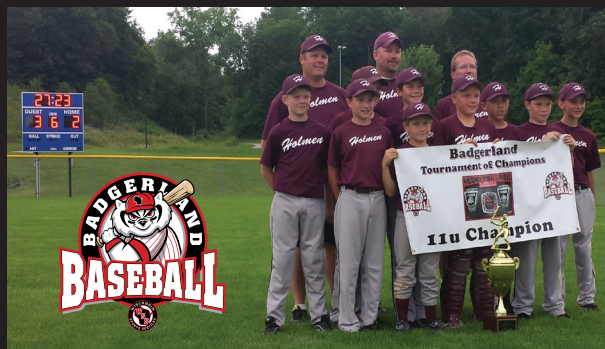
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- **Dec 14** Elk Mound, WI (5th-8th) Boys/Girls
- **Jan 18** La Crosse, WI (5th-8th) Boys
- **Jan 18** Chippewa Falls, WI (5th-8th) Boys/Girls
- **Feb 1** La Crosse, WI (5th-8th) Boys
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2013 TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIP



Top: Seymour junior Alex Bloom cleared 6-7 to win the Division 2 high jump title.

Bottom: The Saint Mary's Springs' 4X800m relay team (left) of Abby Busse, Melanie Schneider, Alannah Schmitz and Liz Bohn took home the Division 3 title with a state record time of 9:31.47. Slinger junior Kiley Sabin (right) won the D1 shot put with a throw of 43-4.75.

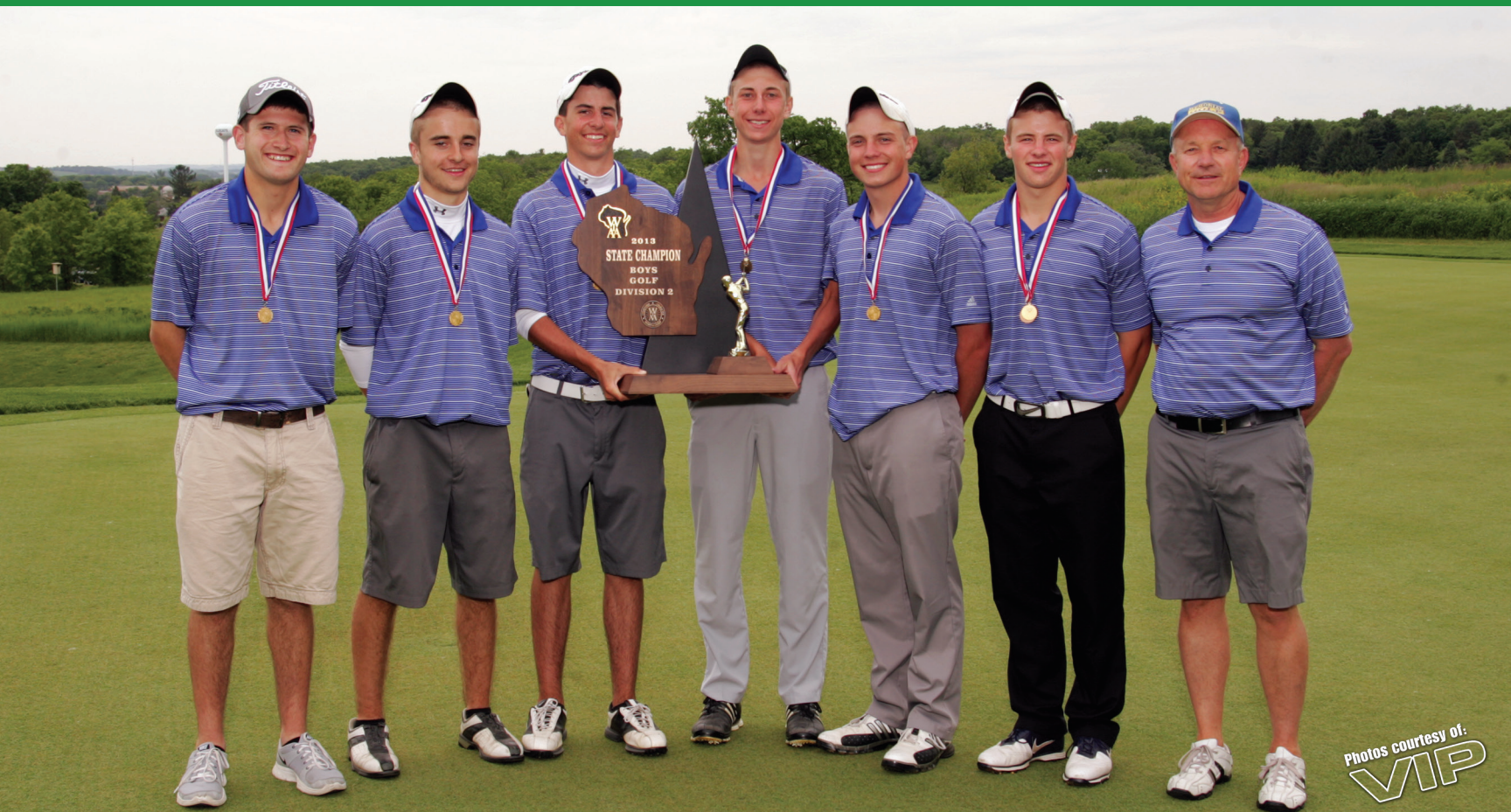


2013 BOYS GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP



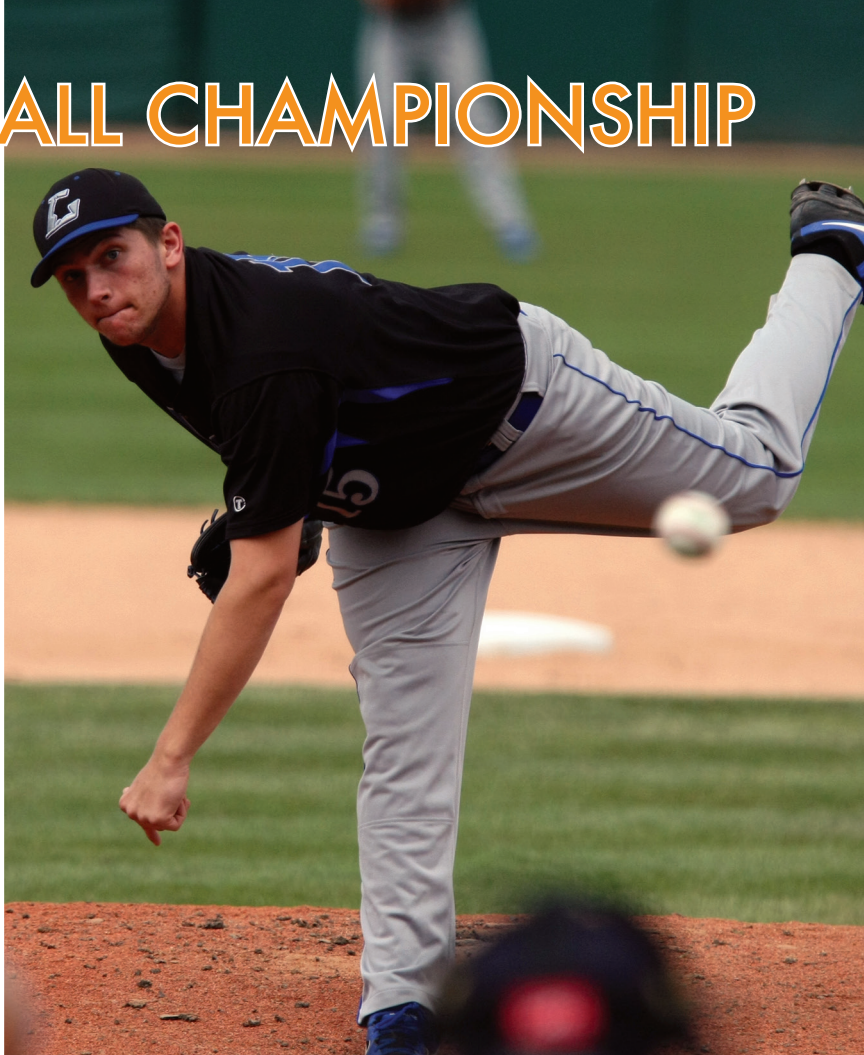
Top: Cedarburg won the Division 1 boys golf title, finishing 17 strokes ahead of second-place Brookfield Central.

Bottom: In D2, Catholic Memorial came from behind to take down Edgerton for the title, shooting the only sub-300 round of the division.



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2013 SPRING BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP



Top: Sun Prairie repeated as D1 champs, taking down Stevens Point, 5-4, in the championship game. Carter Brekke (left) went 3-4 with two RBIs for the Cardinals. Donnie Manke (right) threw a complete game for Lodi as the Blue Devils beat Notre Dame, 6-2, in the Division 2 title game.

Bottom: Teague Camps made a diving catch to help Oconto defeat Westby in the Division 3 championship game, 4-3.



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2013 SPRING BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP



Top: Westin Wuethrich went six innings, striking out 11, for Greenwood as they took down Lake Country Lutheran, 6-4, in the Division 4 title game.

Bottom: New Berlin West celebrates their summer baseball state title after beating West Bend West, 11-6.

2013 SUMMER BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP



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2013 SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP



Top: Shelby Sommer held Baldwin-Woodville scoreless after an unearned run in the first inning and New London won the D2 softball title when Molly O'Connell hit a two-RBI double in the seventh, giving the Bulldogs a 2-1 win.

Bottom: Westosha Central used a nine-run first inning to put Kenosha Bradford in a hole, eventually winning 12-1 for the Division 1 championship.



2013 SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP



Top: Lauren Graber scored three runs as pitcher Beth Wood's pinch runner, helping Mineral Point to a 7-2 win over Kenosha St. Joseph in the Division 3 title game.

Bottom: Meg Ryan (left) went 3-4 with two RBIs while Tanika Jorgenson (right) had a three-inning save as Algoma won the Division 4 title with a 5-4 victory over Newman Catholic.



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2013 GIRLS SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP



Top: Catholic Memorial won the Division 2 girls soccer state championship, beating Mount Horeb by a score of 3-0.

Bottom: Cedarburg got two goals from Lydia Koenig (left) and one from Anny West (center) in their 4-1 victory over Waukesha West in the D1 final. In D3, Ozaukee took down The Prairie School, 3-1, behind two goals by Katie Bares (right).



2013 BOYS TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP



Top: Felix Corwin (left) turned the tables on Damon Niquet in the D1 singles bracket this year, beating the defending champion, 6-4, 5-7, 6-2. The Prairie School's Zane Navratil (right) took home the Division 2 title.

Bottom: Marquette University High School (left) and University School of Milwaukee (right) won the D1 and D2 team titles, respectively.





GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Dashers look to take next step this season

By Norbert Durst

After finishing as the Division 1 runners-up last year, Divine Savior Holy Angels will look to make the next step this season. The Dashers also reached the state tournament in 2009 and 2011 under current head coach Darrell Frank.

Playing in the Greater Metro and competing against some of the top teams across the state in non-conference matches and tournaments will give the Dashers good competition and preparation to make a deep playoff run once again.

Last season, the Dashers fell to Burlington, the 2011 and 2012 state champs, in straight sets in the title match after defeating Neenah and Merrill to reach the final. DSHA's lone WIAA state title came in 2001 and they hope to add to that list this season.

The Dashers return six players from last year's team that finished the Greater Metro Conference schedule with an undefeated record. Two earned all-conference honors, including First Team choice Caitlyn Coffey (middle blocker) and Honorable Mention pick Katie Hohenwalter (outside hitter).

DSHA will battle Menomonee Falls, who returns conference Player of the Year Simone Lee, for the Greater Metro title.

"We have goals to win our conference and tournament, as well as getting through regionals and sectionals to get to state," coach Darrell Frank said.

The Dashers won both the regular season

title and conference tournament last year. The past five years the conference regular season and tournament title has been won by either DSHA or Menomonee Falls. That doesn't appear to be changing this season with both teams again being strong.



Coffey will be DSHA's go-to player this season. The 6-foot-2 senior finished with 24 kills in three state tournament matches last season. Hohenwalter (5-11, Sr.) also had a productive state tournament last season, compiling 15 kills.

"Caitlyn has become stronger than last year and has had a great club season. We are also

looking to her for team leadership, she is tremendously motivated this year to get us to state and win," stated Coach Frank.

The Dashers will also look to get production from four other returning players in senior Emme Granger (DS/L), sophomore Annie Ertz (OH/MB), senior Maggie Ertz (OH/MB), and senior Sami Leach (S/OPP).

Coach Frank also pointed out a few other players who will have prominent roles on the team this season.

"Kelly Berk (6-0, Jr.) in the middle is a dominating player. Sarah Klug, sophomore libero, has all the potential to play this spot in college."

Sophomore Annie Ertz gives DSHA another strong option at outside hitter. The Dashers will also be strong at setter, with three effective ones in Katie Machi (Jr.), Maddie Yoss (So.), and Leach.

DSHA will no doubt have one of the deepest rosters in the state. That is the effect of the work the players put in during the off-season. Coach Frank told WSN that some of his players work with strength and conditioning experts, most play club volleyball, and many attend camps.

"Our players excel in academics, leadership, and sports. I'm honored and privileged to be surrounded by these incredible young ladies. It forces me to bring my 'A' game," commented coach Frank.

The Dashers opened the year with a sweep of the always-powerful Catholic Memorial team.

HALEY BARNES, NEENAH



Senior Haley Barnes led Neenah to the state tournament last season while collecting 460 kills, 42 aces, 49 blocks, and 294 digs. Her list of honors included being named First Team All-State, Post Crescent All-Area Player of the Year, and unanimous First Team All-Fox Valley Association. "Haley's greatest strengths are her mental toughness and having an all-around game with no real weaknesses," coach Bruce Moriarty said. Her leadership qualities also make her the player she is. "Haley is as unselfish as they come and a real servant leaders. She consistently focuses on 'we' not 'me'. She shows up early, stays late, offers to help teammates, and the most menial tasks are not below her," added coach Moriarty. Off the court, Haley is involved in Neenah Fellowship of Christian Athletes huddle, she volunteers at Special Olympics and the hospital, she also teaches swimming to younger kids.

SIMONE LEE, MENOMONEE FALLS



Lee, a Penn State recruit, compiled 678 kills, 79 aces, 61 blocks, and 354 digs in leading the Indians to the Division 1 state semifinals. Lee was named First Team All-State by the Wisconsin Volleyball Coaches Association and earned Greater Metro Player of the Year honors. "Simone can dominate a game from the outside hitter position. She plays all six rotations and can hit effectively out of the back row and draws attention of the teams entire defense which opens up holes for the rest of our players," coach Jason Bruns told WSN. Lee is in her second year as one of the team captains for Menomonee Falls. "She's a tireless worker despite all the accolades she receives and just wants to be one of the girls on the team," coach Bruns added. He went on to say that he expects Simone to take her game to an even higher level this season.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL



Lightning bring varsity experience to volleyball court

By Norbert Durst

Appleton North won their first-ever boys volleyball title last season, going wire to wire as the top-ranked team in the rankings. It was the Lightning's sixth appearance at the state tournament in their 13 years having a program.

Since the WIAA reinstated the boys volleyball tournament in 2000, Appleton North is the lone champion located outside of southeast Wisconsin.

Coach Mike Maass and the Lightning will need to replace nearly the whole team from last year's state championship team. They graduated 11 seniors in all, including five starters and their libero.

"Four of those guys had been starting since they were sophomores," said Coach Maass. He did point out that while they lost a number of key players, they won't necessarily be a young team with five seniors and seven juniors.

"We will lack experience in volleyball but these guys know how to compete at the varsity level. Ten of the twelve played basketball for Appleton North last year and a number of those guys also play baseball in the spring."

Coach Maass told WSN that he always wants to be in position to compete for the conference championship and that will remain the

same this year despite the loss of 11 seniors.

Mike Lukashewich is the lone returning starter for Appleton North and coach Maass will look to him to take on a larger role this season. He finished with 20 kills and hit 55.9% at the state tournament last season in three matches.



Ian Gerrity is the Lightning's most experienced volleyball player heading into the season and Coach Maass sees big things coming from him this season. "He's a very good athlete, will most likely start at the varsity level in three sports this year (basketball and baseball) which is very rare at a school our size."

Coach Maass will also look to Kody Fiorito and Liam Mahoney to step in to key roles this season. "Kody has some huge shoes to fill in taking over the setting role but I

believe he has a unique skill set that is going to let him excel. Liam has the physical tools to be successful, but is lacking game experience. I hope to see him improve each game."

Appleton North will also get production from Jared Dudley, Austin Nelson, Brian Jones and Josh Moua.

"Dudley is an athletic kid that needs to contribute on the floor for us to be successful. Jared has played varsity basketball since his sophomore year and knows how to compete at the varsity level," said Coach Maass.

Nelson is one of two seniors who have played volleyball all four years; Gerrity is the other.

"Austin has played several positions over the last couple years but now will be counted on to provide blocking and some offense from the right side of the court," added coach

Maass.

He went on to say that Jones should contribute in the middle and that Moua will be asked to provide some help defensively.

With most of their players involved in at least one other sport, they don't focus on offseason volleyball activities. "Most of the guys are already in the gym, in the weight room, or on the field five to six days a week in the summer so doing more I think is too much," stated Coach Maass.

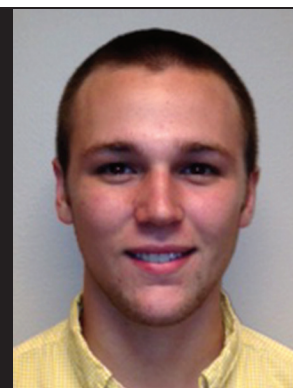
BEN PLAISTED, WAUWATOSA EAST

Plaisted was named WBVCA First Team All-State and Greater Metro Player of the Year last season. He compiled 385 kills and a hitting percentage of .405. "Ben's strength as a player is highlighted by a very powerful net game, both hitting and blocking, but he also possesses a dominating jump serve," said coach John Simon. He went on to say that Ben's court awareness and overall volleyball IQ are very high due to his many years playing on club teams. "Ben was a leader as a junior and has come back for his senior season a more complete player. He leads by example and his teammates look for his leadership both on and off the court," added coach Simon. While Ben has earned a number of individual honors, coach Simon told WSN that he would like to add a team championship to his volleyball experience.



JOE COPLAN, MARQUETTE

Senior outside hitter Joe Coplan earned Second Team All-State honors from the Wisconsin Boys Volleyball Coaches Association and was named First Team All-Greater Metro last season. He finished the season with 302 kills and helped the Hilltoppers to the State Semifinals before falling to eventual State Champion Appleton North. "Joe's greatest strength is on the offensive end, he hits a heavy ball on the outside and is set often out of the back row. Joe also has a consistent jump serve that creates havoc on our opponents," coach Eric Sullivan said. Joe stepped into the role as 'the go to guy' last season after losing the entire 2011 state champion team and gained a great deal of leadership through that experience. "This year, Joe's confidence is through the roof. His play alone could speak for itself but he also encourages his teammates and creates positive energy for our team," added coach Sullivan.





CROSS COUNTRY

Top returning runners for the 2013 season

D1 – Boys

Ryan Nameth, JR, Verona Area, 3rd Place, 15:37.62

Alec Miller, SR, West Bend West, 8th Place, 15:53.33

Taylor Floydmeews, SR, Wauwatosa West, 11th Place, 15:58.05

Daniel Laluzerne, JR, Green Bay Preble, 12th Place, 15:58.33

Olin Hacker, JR, Madison West, 14th Place, 16:00.05

D1 – Girls

Aubrey Roberts, SO, Eau Claire Memorial, 2nd Place, 14:16.24

Jackie Dubnicka, SR, Arrowhead, 3rd Place, 14:24.05

Jessica Parker, SR, Neenah, 4th Place, 14:26.28

Rachel Werking, SO, Brookfield East, 5th Place, 14:27.64

Katie Kietpas, SO, Sun Prairie, 6th Place, 14:29.86

D2 – Boys

Charlie Stahl, SR, Shorewood, 4th Place, 15:59.65

Brett Harms, SR, Whitewater, 5th Place, 16:05.32

Kyler Lueck, JR, Wisconsin Lutheran, 8th Place, 16:11.47

Bryan Tomek, SR, Tomahawk, 9th Place, 16:15.12

Jake Hirsbrunner, SR, Monroe, 11th Place, 16:26.29

D2 – Girls

Amy Davis, JR, Madison Edgewood, 2nd Place, 14:42.42

Anna Eisenzimmer, SR, Dodgeville/Mineral Point, 4th Place, 14:53.44

Morgan Florsheim, SO, Shorewood, 5th Place, 14:54.11

Hannah Owens, JR, Dodgeville, Mineral Point, 8th Place, 15:00.27

Taylor Miller, SR, Mauston, 9th Place, 15:04.60

D3 – Boys

Tyson Miehe, SR, Darlington, Champion, 15:51.94

Kevin Ryan, Sr, Kenosha St. Joseph, 2nd Place, 16:14.29

Darin Lau, SR, Eau Claire Immanuel Lutheran, 3rd Place, 16:28.60

Luke Versweyveld, SR, Kenosha Christian/Faith Christian, 4th Place, 16:33.59

Dakota Kauffman, SO, Boscobel, 5th Place, 16:44.14

D3 – Girls

Delaney Sinnen, SR, Random Lake, 3rd Place, 14:54.79

Isabel Seidel, SR, University Lake School, 4th Place, 14:55.99

Natalie Miller, SR, Three Lakes, 6th Place, 15:17.86

Leah Johnson, SR, Pardeeville, 7th Place, 15:18.67

Dempsey Fogerty, SO, Colfax, 11th Place, 15:32.34

2012 State Meet Team Results

D1 – Boys

1. Madison West
2. Madison La Follette
3. Stevens Point

D1 – Girls

1. Arrowhead
2. Neenah
3. Madison West

D2 – Boys

1. Shorewood
2. Freedom
3. Wisconsin Lutheran

D2 – Girls

1. Dodgeville/Mineral Point
2. Notre Dame
3. Shorewood

D3 – Boys

1. Darlington
2. Boscobel
3. Chequamegon

D3 – Girls

1. Spring Valley
2. Darlington
3. Cedar Grove-Belgium

TYSON MIEHE, DARLINGTON



Miehe is the two-time defending Division 3 state champion, he finished in a time of 15:51 last season. The time was 23-seconds better than the second place finisher. Tyson has also helped Darlington to back-to-back Division 3 team state championships. "He has a very strong work ethic and will always do the extra things it takes to be successful," said coach Arnie Miehe. Tyson has placed first in conference in each of his first three years and will look to make a fourth this season. "He understands that this is a whole new year with new challenges and new goals, and he is focused on doing what it takes to meet those new challenges and goals," added coach Miehe. He went on to say that while Tyson runs by himself in most workouts he makes a point to loop back and give teammates high fives because team success is important to him. Tyson also excels in the classroom where his a 4.0 student, is in the National Honor Society, is a member of the student council and is involved in band and the school musical. He also lives and works on the family farm, is involved in 4-H, and is involved in the youth group at church.

JACKIE DUBNICKA, ARROWHEAD



Senior Jackie Dubnicka finished third overall at the WIAA Cross Country State Championships last season while being named Journal Sentinel's Runner of the Year and District 6 Runner of the Year by the Wisconsin Cross Country Coaches Association. She also helped Arrowhead to the Division 1 state title. "My greatest strength as a runner is to run through pain because I have the confidence to do so," said Dubnicka. She went on to say that she never doubts herself and is always testing the boundaries and pushing the limits to eventually have that breakthrough race. Coach Curt Kaczor talked about Jackie's leadership, "Jackie is one of our team captains and she works really well with our younger runners. Jackie takes the time to talk with new runners and share some of her running experience and offer advice." Coach Kaczor told WSN that Jackie also leads by example with working hard in the offseason, paying attention to small details in her training, and healthy eating habits. "Jackie sets very high goals for herself but puts her team first," added coach Kaczor. Jackie is also an active volunteer through her church and is a proud environmentalist.



Oregon becoming community known for soccer

By Norbert Durst

Oregon is looking for a return trip to the state tournament this season after making the program's fifth appearance last season. The Panthers were unable to make it past the first game, however, falling to Kenosha Bradford 1-0 in WIAA Division 1 quarterfinals.

With nine returning letterwinners, Oregon has the pieces in place to make it back to Uihlein Soccer Park. "We set high goals and accomplish them one at a time, always with our ultimate goal in the back of our mind (to win state)," said coach Kevin May.

Two important returning players earned All-Badger South honors last season. Junior defender Spencer Pearson was named to the First Team squad, while junior goalkeeper Dan Dombrowski took home Second Team honors.

Those two players, along with the return of senior defenders Sam Mosiman and Nate McWilliams, will make it difficult for opponents to find the net.

"We take pride in our defense and plan to make it very difficult for teams to score on us," added coach May.

Oregon will need to replace their top four point scorers from last season. Shaw Storey is the only returning player to reach double digit points last year. Coach May told WSN that Storey will be key to their success this

season.

"Even if his numbers don't reflect it, he has a much greater understanding of the game and how to move and time his runs to be very effective for our team," he said.



Shaw Storey

Coach May doesn't see an issue with filling the void of offensive production lost to graduation. "I have younger players, Mitch Morhoff, Colin Hughes, AJ Breitbach to name a few, as well as a senior in Jon Powers who was out due to an injury last season. They all have stepped up and will be big

contributors to our success."

In the months leading up to the high school season, the Panther players participate in senior-led weekly training sessions.

"They're not only a good place to get some touches, but being together on the soccer field helps chemistry begin to gel before we even start the season," Coach May added.

Coach May also talked about the importance of camps, clinics, and playing on club teams. "I promote it all and give my recommendation for which ones I feel are most beneficial, then let my boys choose."

Prior to last season, the Panthers most recent trip to the state tournament was in 1998 and resulted in the Division 2 state title.

Community support goes a long way in helping building a successful program.

"Between the parent volunteers, the club organizers and coaches, and the school district structured support, the soccer in Oregon is becoming a big thing and something the community is starting to embrace. It has been exciting to watch Oregon continue to grow and develop into a strong, known community for soccer," coach May said.

The Panthers opened the 2013 season 1-1. The first game they were edged 1-0 by last year's Division 1 runner-up Kettle Moraine, while in their second game they defeated Waunakee 3-1.

JACK HAGSTROM, MIDDLETON

Hagstrom, a senior defender, has earned WSCA All-State honors as well as being named First Team All-Big Eight the past two seasons. Last year, Jack finished fourth on the Cardinals' team for total points and won defensive MVP. "Jack is a naturally tenacious defender. He hates to lose and has always been driven to get the ball back from the other team," said coach Ben Kollasch. He went on to talk about Jack's leadership. "To say Jack is a natural leader is an understatement. He is outgoing and, by sheer virtue of his character, leads by example." Coach Kollasch didn't want to put expectations on Jack, but did say that as he scores from his centerback position, he can lift some pressure from the rest of the team. Along with his strong play on the field, Jack helps keep the team loose off the field with his jokes.



PAUL CISZEWSKI, GERMANTOWN

Paul Ciszewski, a senior midfielder, was named Second Team All-State by the Wisconsin Soccer Coaches Association and earned First Team All-North Shore honors last season. Paul finished with 21 goals and 13 assists and helped lead Germantown to the North Shore title as a junior. "His strengths are his technical skill, intellect, vision, awareness, anticipation and his movement off the ball," said coach Omar Sethi. He went on to talk about Paul's leadership. "Although quiet, Paul is a team leader. He does so the best way, by example." Coach Sethi told WSN that his expectations of Paul this season are to polish his strengths, becoming an even more lethal finisher, and making the players around him better throughout the season. He is committed to Drake.





GIRLS GOLF

Top returning players

D1 Top 20 State Finishers

Jessica Reinecke, Verona – 1st Place
 Becky Klongland, Stoughton – 4th Place
 Maddy Neumeier, Green Bay Preble – 7th Place (tie)
 Abby Chase, Beaver Dam – 7th Place (tie)
 Jessie Staed, Notre Dame – 7th Place (tie)
 Danielle Ducklow, Tomah – 12th Place
 Anika Hitt, Homestead – 13th Place (tie)
 Loren Skibba, Middleton – 15th Place (tie)
 Maddie McCue, Milton – 18th Place (tie)

D2 Top 20 State Finishers

Sienna Chapman, Prairie School – 3rd
 Mikayla Smith, Xavier – 5th Place
 Abby Dufrane, Marinette – 8th Place (tie)
 Caroline Lake, Edgewood – 8th Place (tie)
 Tess Hackworthy, Edgewood – 8th (tie)
 Taylor Denman, Prairie School – 12th Place
 Erin Culver, McFarland – 15th Place (tie)
 Kayla Priebe, FVL – 15th Place (tie)
 Meaghan Carney, Denmark – 18th Place
 Aly Tremblay, Hayward – 19th Place (tie)
 Sena Mucklow, Edgewood – 19th (tie)

2012 State Team Results

D1 Team Results:

1. Homestead – 671
2. Kettle Moraine – 682
3. Notre Dame – 683
4. Milton – 694
5. Arrowhead – 701

D2 Team Results:

1. Madison Edgewood – 674
2. The Prairie School – 675
3. Hayward – 711
4. Fox Valley Lutheran – 759
5. Osceola – 770



BECKY KLONGLAND, STOUGHTON

Senior Becky Klongland finished third at the Division 1 state tournament last season. She is a three-time All-Badger South choice, and two-time First Team All-State selection. Becky averaged a 38.3 for nine holes last season and is averaging 36.8 so far this year. Stoughton coach David Taebel told WSN that her greatest strengths are her demeanor, work ethic, and course management coupled with a skill set that is complete from tee to green. “Becky is a leader on and off the course. She epitomizes what is meant by a student-athlete, excelling in the classroom and is a role model for all of our girls,” said coach Taebel. He went on to talk about his expectations of Klongland this season. “We expect her to continue to improve and shoot some great scores as well as embrace the role of a senior leader. She continues to push herself to be better despite the fact she has already accomplished so much.” Becky is also active in the community and helps with Stoughton’s junior golf program.

GIRLS TENNIS



Returning state placewinners

D1 Singles

Elizabeth Konon, Homestead – 1st Place
 Lea Krajcovicova, Milton – 2nd Place
 Emily Kolbow, Arrowhead – 3rd Place
 Lily Hayes, Whitefish Bay – 4th Place
 Mardee Merar, Homestead – 5th Place

D1 Doubles

Justin Daane & Sammi Pedersen, Green Bay Southwest – 2nd Place
 Hannah Dexheimer & Bailey Sagen, Oshkosh West – 6th Place
 Caroline Krolicki & Mallory Wanserski, Wausau East – State Qualifier
 Sara Miller & Josie Docalavich, Nicolet

D2 Singles

Ali Pollack, University School – 1st Place
 Ellie Zimmerman, Notre Dame – 3rd Place
 Grace Larrain, Newman Catholic – 4th Place
 Jenna Zimmerman, Rac St. Cat’s – 5th Place

D2 Doubles

Maddy Brown & Hayley Clope, Racine Saint Catherine’s – 3rd Place
 Ellie Grossen & Chandra McGuire, Monroe – State Qualifier
 Margaret Zimmermann & Annabel Ware, The Prairie School – State Qualifier
 Paige Kloth & Abi Goode, East Troy – State Qualifier

2012 State Team Results

D1

Semi-Finals:

Divine Savior Holy Angels (4) vs. Nicolet (3)
 Homestead (6) vs. GB Southwest (1)

Finals:

Homestead (4) vs. Divine Savior Holy Angels (3)

D2

Semi-Finals:

Madison Edgewood (4) vs. Roncalli (3)
 University School (7) vs. Regis (0)

Finals:

University School (4) vs. Madison Edgewood (3)



ELIZABETH KONON, HOMESTEAD

Senior Elizabeth Konon has won back-to-back Division 1 Singles titles. She has not lost a match in the past two years, including going 33-0 last season. Coach Jackie Egelhoff talked about Elizabeth’s strengths on the tennis court. “She has the determination to be the best she can be and works very hard all year long on the game in every practice she’s trying to improve.” Coach Egelhoff told WSN that Elizabeth has shown her leadership by being a great example to the other girls on good sportsmanship, hard work and team spirit. During the offseason Elizabeth works with younger players and represents Wisconsin on competitive teams while playing many tournaments throughout the country. “She has contributed so much to Homestead tennis, represented her school with excellence and will be missed,” noted coach Egelhoff.

WSN Cup trophies will be going to familiar display cases as the winners of the 2012-13 awards are the same as they have been the last three years. In the Large School Division, Arrowhead claimed a sixth straight trophy. Another huge spring season led Notre Dame to a third straight trophy in the Medium Schools Division.. In the Small Schools Division, Aquinas held on for a sixth straight crown.

We did have a first in the WSN Cup this year however, as Arrowhead was unseated as the overall champion. The Warhawks had scored the highest of all schools the first five years of the program, but Notre Dame's dominating spring pulled them ahead with a total of 800 to Arrowhead's 735.

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

For a breakdown of the Rules & Scoring System as well as the full standings, visit WisSports.net.

Large School Division

Arrowhead didn't have the greatest of spring sports seasons, but did enough earlier in the year, especially the fall, to claim its sixth straight Large Schools trophy. The Warhawks' total of 735 points was more than 200 higher than the next closest competitor in the Large Schools.

Scoring "only" 127 points during the spring season, the top performance came by the state semi-final boys tennis team. The Warhawks built a commanding lead in the fall however with 425 points behind championships from the football and girls cross country teams, a runner-up finish by the girls swimming/diving team, and strong performances from girls golf and boys cross country.

Congratulations to the Warhawks and Athletic Director Kevin Flegner.

Homestead, Neenah, Middleton, and Eau Claire Memorial round out the top five in the Large School Division.

Medium Schools Division

Notre Dame trailed Madison Edgewood ever so slightly after the completion of the winter sports, but posted a dominating showing in the spring sports to claim a third straight Medium Schools trophy. Not only was the 800 point total more than 160 better than anyone else in the Medium Schools, the Tritons became the first program in the six year history of the trophy to score more points than Arrowhead.

They didn't get any titles in the spring season, but several teams finished highly, including runner-up finishes from baseball and boys tennis. The boys golf, girls track & field, and girls soccer teams also scored highly.

The Tritons were consistent, scoring the third most points amongst Medium School teams in the fall, second most in winter, and most in spring. Congratulations to Notre Dame and Athletic Director Ken Flaten.

Madison Edgewood, Shorewood, Catholic Memorial, and Mount Horeb round out the top five of the Medium Schools Division.

Small Schools Division

Aquinas made a significant comeback to claim the Small School trophy last season, but relied on a consistently high level of performance to capture a sixth straight trophy in 2012-13. This time around the Bugolds held off a mad dash from Saint Mary's Springs and Regis during the spring.

The Bugolds scored 160 during the fall, 160 during the winter (helped by a state title from the boys basketball team), and 104 in the spring.




Congratulations to Aquinas and Athletic Director Ted Knutson on another outstanding season.

Saint Mary's Springs, Regis, The Prairie School, and Lancaster round out the top five of the Small Schools Division.



Congratulations to the winners and a great job by all the teams during an outstanding and exciting 2012-13 sports season.

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




LARGE SCHOOLS

	1 Arrowhead 735 points
	2 Homestead 507.6 points
	3 Neenah 506 points
4) Middleton - 499.4 5) Eau Claire Memorial - 470.5 6) Stevens Point - 430 7) Madison West - 422.4 8) Brookfield Central - 417.6 9) Cedarburg - 403 10) Madison Memorial - 381.4	

MEDIUM SCHOOLS

	1 Notre Dame 800 points
	2 Edgewood 638.4 points
	3 Shorewood 547.85 points
4) Catholic Memorial - 544.6 5) Mount Horeb - 401 6) Whitefish Bay - 370.85 7) Xavier - 370.7 8) Wisconsin Lutheran - 347.65 9) East Troy - 328.7 10) Lodi - 320	

SMALL SCHOOLS

	1 Aquinas 424 points
	2 St. Mary's Springs 412.5 points
	3 Regis 401.2 points
4) The Prairie School - 354 5) Lancaster - 331.7 6) Newman Catholic - 305 7) University School - 303.6 8) Racine St. Catherine's - 302 9) Darlington - 293.65 10) Algoma - 275	

BUZZER BEATER

By Nicholas Kartos

I know I have mentioned the WBCA Hall of Fame a lot in this column, and I'm proud to say the project as it stands today is finished. The opening ceremonies were held in mid-August.

I was truly honored to be charged with the responsibility of leading the charge to create the exhibit and honor our great basketball history.

Granted, when you have a vision in your head, sometimes you ignore what it would take to execute on that vision. So, this summer, when I wasn't working at my real job, I was working on the Hall of Fame. Lots of long nights and long weekends and while there are maybe a few things I would tweak, I think what I was able to accomplish with my team was pretty remarkable.

I'd like to use my little soapbox here to thank all that helped us make it happen. First and foremost, I'd like to thank my wife Dana and my kids Maisie and Leo for putting up with me, especially in June and July when I didn't have much time not spent in front of a computer monitor.

Huge thanks to Dave and Joy Royston donating the wall space for the exhibit, we couldn't be more excited to be at the JustAGame Fieldhouse with all the youth basketball players flowing through there every year. Their staff was also a tremendous help with the install and coordination of everything.

In addition to the folks at the JAG, a big thanks to everyone in the Wisconsin Dells that has welcomed not only the WBCA, but so many other sport organizations in Wisconsin with open arms. I cannot think of a better place in the state to run an event and I'm so happy I get to be a part of a couple of them.

Thanks to the WSN staff and the Sport Ngin graphic design team that were crucial in crunch-time and helped us leave everyone in awe. Thanks to the hobbyist historians and writers that pitched in. It is truly special that there are so many people out there spending time recording the history of high school basketball, simply because they love the sport so much.

Last, but not least, thanks to Jerry Petitgoue, the Executive Board and the entire WBCA membership. It is their Hall of Fame and they were able to provide the resources for the exhibit today and going forward.

Another big milestone that was celebrated in August was the WBCA going over the \$2 million mark in money raised for Midwest Athletes Against Childhood Cancer, the MACC Fund. I have been very grateful to be a part of the last few all-star games and to help out with this worthy cause. A big shout out to all the former coaches and players that have participated in this game and helped make it a huge success over 35 years running.

Speaking of history, state history was made when incoming freshman Philip Flory from Wisconsin Rapids verbally committed to play basketball at Marquette. To my knowledge, it is the first time a player who has never played a minute of varsity basketball committed to a D1 college. Many will remember Flory's dad, Mike played for Rhinelander in the late-seventies and for Marquette in the early-eighties.

I just don't understand the upside of this. To me, it seemingly puts a target on his back and huge pressure on him before he laces up his sneakers one time. There is already a ton of pressure put on a freshman that makes a varsity team. Even more on those that are considered "top" recruits. However, one that has already committed to a D1 college? The expectations are going to be astronomical.

I can honestly say I know nothing about this kid. I have not seen him play once. I am too young to remember his dad playing at Marquette. I have no idea how headstrong he is. Perhaps he is perfectly built to deal with this kind of situation.

However, it seems to me if he liked Marquette and Marquette liked him, who cares if you are "verbally committed" or not? It's not binding on either side and all it does is bring on attention. Time will tell whether that attention was a blessing or a curse.

Last, but not least, I have to bring some attention to some athletic departments out there that are taking their communication and promotion to the next level by signing up for Sport Ngin websites. I know this might seem like a corporate plug, however, regardless if it's Sport Ngin or not, it's good to see athletic directors going above and beyond. Just as every college athletic department now have sites independent of their universities, I see the high school space going the same way. Best thing about working with Sport Ngin is you are a part of this huge network of sites that includes WisSports.net, WBCA (both baseball & basketball), WFCA, WFSKA, and WisTCA.

Some of my favorite new sites include:

Menomonee Falls - www.fallsathletics.org, Appleton West - www.appletonwestactivities.org, Cedarburg - cedarburg.sportngin.com, Pius XI - www.piusxiathletics.org, Shoreland Lutheran - www.slpacers.org, Waukesha West - www.waukeshawestathletics.com, Brookfield Central - lancers.elmbrooks.schools.org

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