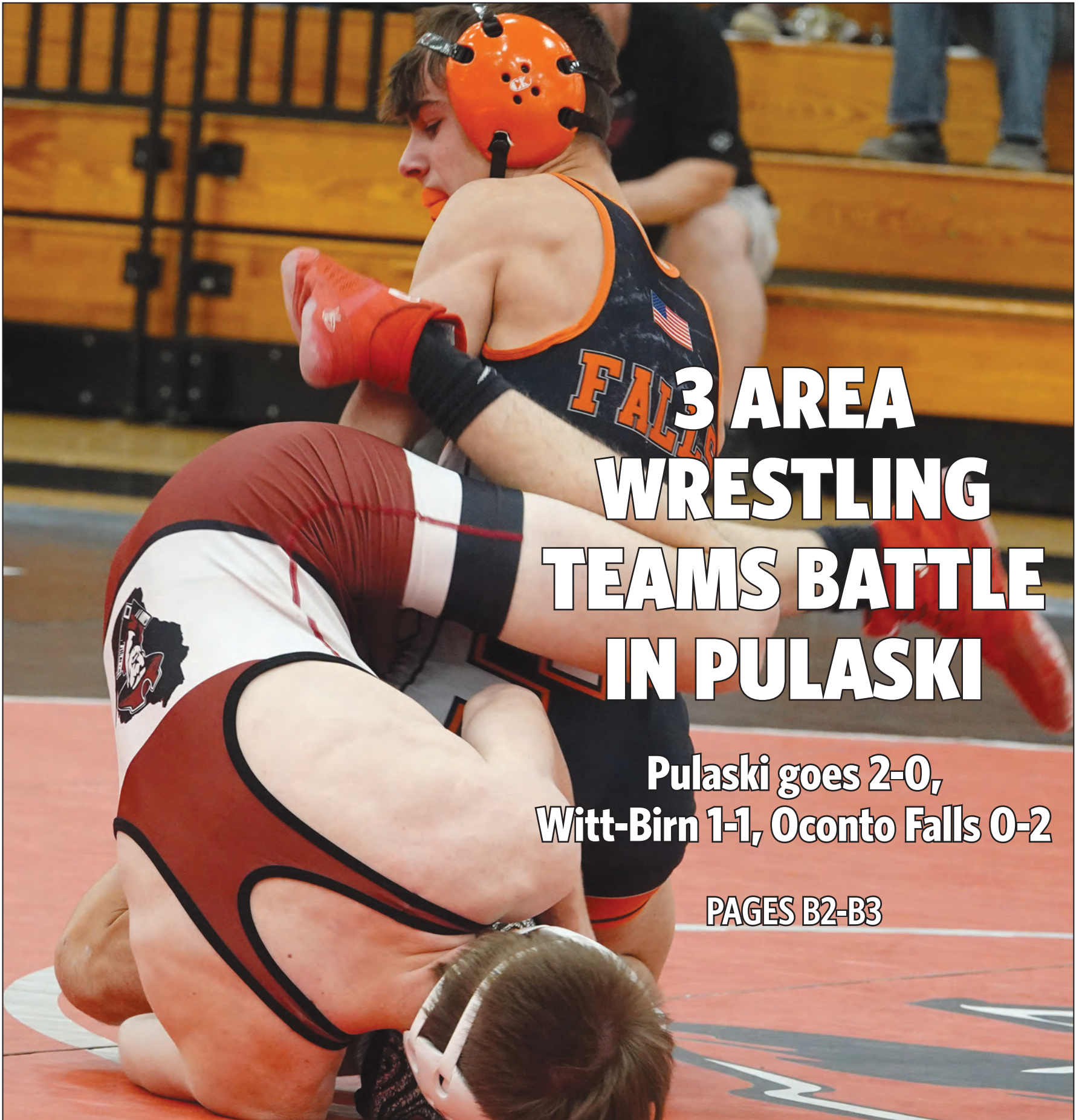




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Oconto Falls' Cole Bozile, top, and Pulaski's Conner Nooyen wrestle during a triangular on Dec. 8 in Pulaski.

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Pulaski tops Witt-Birn, Oconto Falls in duals

Chargers take down Panthers in other matchup

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Pulaski High School wrestling team earned dual wins over Wittenberg-Birnamwood and Oconto Falls during a triangular on Dec. 8 in Pulaski.

Pulaski topped Witt-Birn 50-22 before defeating Oconto Falls 51-18. Witt-Birn knocked off Oconto Falls 51-27 in the first match of the night.

All three teams won regional titles a season ago and return multiple sectional individual qualifiers and state participants, so regardless of results on the mat, the night of competition was beneficial.

Pulaski fares well at home

The Red Raiders earned wins in nine of the 12 weight classes wrestled against Witt-Birn. The hosts split the eight weight classes wrestled against Oconto Falls, but had five forfeit wins to dominate on the scoreboard.

Tristan Taylor was the first Red

Raider to take the mat on the night, facing Witt-Birn's Owen Schultz at 160 pounds. Taylor got an early takedown and then a three-point nearfall before the end of the first period and then pulled off a reversal before getting a pin at the 3 minute, 31 second mark of the match.

Taylor capped the night of wrestling with a 40-second pin of Oconto Falls' Quinton McDonald.

Pulaski's Chase Woosencraft wrestled at 170 pounds against Witt-Birn's Cain Schiller. He also led 5-0 after a takedown and three-point nearfall in the first period, and then had a takedown before earning the pin in 2:29.

Woosencraft wrestled Oconto Falls' Nick Trepanier at 182 pounds, winning a 6-2 decision. He got the first takedown and then had an escape and takedown in the second period for a 5-0 lead. Trepanier got a takedown in the final period before letting Woosencraft escape for the final points.

"My first match, I kinda knew going out there that it was gonna be a bit tougher match than I've had so far since we are getting toward the better side of our competition," said Woosencraft. "I went out there, I knew I had to get the first takedown every time, that's my goal

— go out there and score the first points. Heavy on top and I picked up the fall.

"Second match, actually I had lost to that kid last year in a tough match. I wanted that match back and I showed tonight that if you put points on the board you should be in good shape."

The 182-pound match between Witt-Birn's Bryson Schmid and Pulaski's Will Friedman was one of the more entertaining matches of the night, with Schmid prevailing 11-10.

Schmid got the first takedown, but Friedman tied it with a reversal. Friedman escaped, got a takedown and then a three-point nearfall to go ahead 8-2 before Schmid scored the next three points, including a reversal. Friedman ended the second period with a reversal, but Schmid got an escape, takedown and three-point nearfall in the third period to nab the win.

Friedman picked up a forfeit win at 195 pounds against Oconto Falls.

Pulaski's Trenton Gibbons and Witt-Birn's Nathan Waupekenay faced off at 195 pounds. Gibbons got the initial takedown and eventually pinned Waupekenay in 1:44. Gibbons won by forfeit at 220 pounds against Oconto Falls.

Witt-Birn's George Seegmiller

(220) and David Gauderman (285) each picked up forfeit wins against Pulaski to tighten the match up, but the hosts claimed the next six weight classes to take the dual.

Alec Nelson got an early takedown and pinned Witt-Birn's Treyton Bierman in 45 seconds at 106 pounds.

Broc Ambrosius earned a pin in 5:36 over Witt-Birn's Cardell Long at 113 pounds. Ambrosius led 7-0 after a takedown, two-point nearfall and three-point nearfall in the first period. He upped the lead to 11 after a reversal and two-point nearfall in the second. Ambrosius had an escape and takedown in the third before finishing off the pin.

Ambrosius was a winner by forfeit at 113 pounds against Oconto Falls.

Trever Nooyen won by major decision (19-8) against Witt-Birn's Ben Miller at 120 pounds. Nooyen also won by forfeit against Oconto Falls at 120 pounds.

Miller had the first takedown in the match with Nooyen, but the Red Raider ended the first period with a reversal and three-point nearfall. Miller pulled a reversal and got a two-point nearfall to briefly grab the lead, but Nooyen led 13-8 after an escape, takedown, reversal and three-

point nearfall in the second period. Nooyen got an escape, takedown and three-point nearfall to finish off the scoring.

Ethan Eggert was also 2-0 on the night for Pulaski, winning by pin in 2:31 over Witt-Birn's Easton Davis and pin in 1:16 over Oconto Falls' Hunter Bozile, both at 126 pounds.

Against Davis, Eggert led 8-0 after a takedown and pair of three-point nearfalls in the first period. He got the pin in the second period. Eggert got the first takedown against Bozile and was able to finish off the pin in the first period.

Conner Nooyen kept Pulaski's run of wins going with an 8-0 major decision win over Witt-Birn's Devin Wuddtke. It was tied at zero after a period before Nooyen got an escape, takedown and three-point nearfall in the second. Nooyen finished off the match with a takedown in the final period.

Nooyen wasn't able to win in his second match of the evening, falling 8-6, but was pleased with the team's results as a whole.

"We wrestled really good tonight," said Nooyen. "I feel like we're getting better throughout the season. Every match, every dual we wrestle, we get better."

Colin Pratt earned Pulaski's final win against Witt-Birn, pinning Luca Pelusi in 5:05 at 138 pounds. Pratt led 2-1 after a period before an escape and takedown in the second made it 5-1. He then capped the match with a pin.

Witt-Birn wrestlers pick up hard-fought wins

Andres Sanchez earned a 14-4 major decision win over Pulaski's Cole Gorecki at 145 pounds before Witt-Birn's Nico Pelusi capped the dual with an 11-9 decision win over Pulaski's Griffin Vanlannen at 152 pounds.

Sanchez led 10-0 after one period, with a pair of two-point nearfalls and a three-point nearfall highlighting the start. He got a takedown in the second before Gorecki pulled a reversal. Gorecki got a takedown in the final period, but Sanchez finished off the match by scoring a couple more points.

"Take the losses and learn from them, get better," said Sanchez on what the team can take from the two tough duals. "At the end (of the season), hopefully you'll get really good and win those matches."

It was Vanlannen who jumped out to a 4-0 lead over Pelusi after a takedown and two-point nearfall in the opening period. Vanlannen got a takedown in the second to go up 6-1



Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Ben Miller, top, takes on Pulaski's Trevor Nooyen during a dual on Dec. 8 in Pulaski.

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before a Pelusi reversal and three-point nearfall tied it.

Vanlannen escaped before Pelusi got a takedown and three-point nearfall to end the second period up 11-7. Vanlannen pulled a reversal in the third, but it was Pelusi that held on for the win.

"Not only does it strengthen us as a team, but it also improves our character," said Pelusi of wrestling two tough teams. "With this level of competition, going up against a ranked team in D1 (Pulaski), this is gonna improve our abilities and it's gonna make us adapt and overcome many situations when we're in wrestling. I feel like that's one of the main reasons for these types of meets..."

Austin Rybicki wrestled for Pulaski against Oconto Falls' Jeremy Earley at 152 pounds. Rybicki got a takedown and two-point nearfall in the opening period before Earley escaped. Rybicki had a three-point nearfall in the second before getting the pin in 3:41.

Cody Delebreau earned a forfeit win at 170 pounds for Pulaski's other win over Oconto Falls.

In Witt-Birn's win over Oconto Falls to start the night, Braeden Groshek (170), Schmid (195), Seegmiller (285), Miller (113) and Long (120) were all winners by forfeit for the Chargers.

Witt-Birn's Chase Kitsemble pinned Earley in a 152-pound match to start the dual. Earley led 2-0 after a period before Kitsemble pulled ahead 4-3 by the end of the second and then finished things with a pin at the 4:27 mark.

Schultz pinned McDonald at 160 pounds for Witt-Birn's second win

in the dual. Schultz got the initial takedown and led 6-0 before getting the pin in 2:49.

Witt-Birn's Waupekenay began his night with a pin of Nick Trepanier at 182 pounds. Trepanier started with the lead before Waupekenay scored five straight. Trepanier tied things up at five after a period, but Waupekenay pulled ahead 7-6 before getting the pin at 3:29.

Dominic Weso had Witt-Birn's other win against Oconto Falls, taking a 5-4 decision over Luke Gilbertson.

Neither wrestler scored in the opening period. Weso grabbed the lead with a late takedown and three-point nearfall at the end of the second period before Gilbertson had a three-point nearfall to tighten things up in the third. Weso held on in the waning seconds for the tight win.

Several Panthers finish 2-0

Garrett Ganter had Oconto Falls' first win against Witt-Birn, winning by forfeit at 106 pounds. He also was a winner by forfeit against Pulaski.

The Panthers ended the dual against Witt-Birn with four straight wins. Hunter Bozile had the first one after claiming a 13-6 decision over Davis at 126 pounds.

Bozile got the first takedown, but Davis rallied with an escape and takedown to grab the lead after a period. A three-point nearfall and takedown in the second helped Bozile jump back in front and then he sealed up the win with a reversal and three-point nearfall in the third.

Cole Bozile took the mat next for the Panthers, earning a pin over Wuddtke. Bozile had a pair of first-pe-

riod takedown for a 4-2 lead before an escape and takedown in the second made it 7-2. Bozile got another takedown in the third before getting the pin in 5:13.

Bozile was the one to top Conner Nooyen 8-6. Bozile had takedowns in the first and second periods to take a 4-2 lead before a reversal in the third made it 6-2. Nooyen escaped before Bozile took him down again. Another Nooyen escape and then takedown of Bozile made it 8-6 before the timer ran out.

"My first match, I knew the kid was very solid at Greco and he likes the throws," said Bozile. "I did almost get thrown once in my match, which surprised me — I was looking for it and waiting for it to come. Honestly, I just stayed sturdy on my feet, stayed fast on my toes, was ready for the re-shot most of the time and I did pretty well on my feet and scored most of my points there."

"On bottom in my matches, I just stayed ready to get off the whistle right away. At the start of the day and end of the day, you just gotta believe you can beat anybody who you want."

Parker Peterson also earned two wins for Oconto Falls on the night. He pinned Witt-Birn's Grayson Niswander and edged Pulaski's Pratt 3-2 at 138 pounds.

Peterson had the first takedown against Niswander before getting the pin at the 54-second mark. Pratt led Peterson 2-0 for most of the match, but the Oconto Falls wrestler had an escape and takedown to jump ahead before holding on for the one-point win.

Luke Trepanier also finished 2-0 for the Panthers. He pinned Witt-Birn's Sanchez before an 8-4 decision win over Pulaski's Mason Taylor.

Trepanier got a takedown and two-point nearfall to start the match against Sanchez. After Sanchez escaped, Trepanier got another takedown. In the second period, Trepanier pulled a reversal for getting the pin at the 2:47 mark.

Trepanier started his match against Taylor in a similar fashion, with a takedown and two-point nearfall before Taylor escaped. After each wrestler got one point in the second period, Trepanier escaped and got a takedown in the third and then held on late after Taylor had a reversal.

Gilbertson had Oconto Falls' first win against Pulaski, defeating Eric Sperduto 2-0 at 285 pounds. Gilbertson scored the lone points with a late takedown in the second period.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Witt-Birn stays undefeated with win over Bonduel

Chargers hold off late comeback effort from Bears

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School girls basketball team kept its undefeated season intact after fending off a late Bonduel comeback in a 55-49 victory on Dec. 9 in Bonduel.

The win pushes the Chargers to a 7-0 record, with six players scoring on the night. Freshman Rory Salvesen led Witt-Birn, scoring 22 points with four 3-point makes. Senior Reese Rogowski added another 20 points.

The loss drops Bonduel to an even 3-3 record. Sophomore Audrey Weier led the Bears in scoring with 15 points, while junior Hailey Zernicke contributed another 13.

"We knew this was going to be a big game coming into it and we were hoping to get a win to get on top of the conference," said Rogowski. "That's what we did, so we are super excited."

Defense was the name of the game for both teams as Bonduel opened with a 2-3 zone and switched to a high-tempo switching man-to-man defense, while Witt-Birn employed a press for most of the game.

Due to the defense, neither team was able to build a strong lead in the first half, as the largest lead was just three points. Both teams accomplished this, in fact Bonduel opened the game up 3-0 after an early 3-point make from junior Hailey Thompson.

Rogowski was the early driving force for the Chargers, as she accounted for six of the first nine points for the visiting team.

Tied at 9-9, Salvesen hit the first of her four 3-point makes to give the Chargers its first lead of the game. Witt-Birn did not surrender that lead until late in the first half, when Zernicke found success in the post, converting two straight layups to give the Bears a 21-19 lead.

Salvesen hit another 3-pointer to briefly give the Chargers a one-point lead. Two mid-range jumpshots from Zernicke and sophomore Josie Anvelink put the Bears back up three to end the half, 25-22.

"We talked really good — they have a girl that can drive really well



Wittenberg-Birnamwood senior Reese Rogowski, left, fights through contact from Bonduel's Hailee Thompson as she goes up for a layup during a CWC-East game on Dec. 9 in Bonduel.

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— we talked well in the gaps and helped well," said Bonduel junior Ella Hischke, on why the defense worked for Bonduel in the first half.

Witt-Birn opened the second half on a 13-2 run, led by five points from Rogowski — Salvesen made her third 3-point in that run as well. Weier hit a 15-foot jumpshot to cut the Chargers lead to six, followed by Chargers freshman Melaina Granquist matching with a post layup.

A Zernicke 3-point make was quickly followed by six straight points from the Chargers, four from Rogowski and two from senior Jami Wendler.

The Chargers eventually built a 10-point lead after two made free throws from Salvesen.

With just over five minutes left in the game, Bonduel started a furious comeback. The Bears found success getting to the paint and racking up fouls on the Chargers. After a floating layup from Weier, Bonduel got to the free throw line on its next three possessions, converting five free throws on six attempts.

Down 45-39, Bonduel kept its pres-

suring defense up, forcing the Chargers into a 10-second violation with four minutes, 27 seconds left in the game. The Bears capitalized on the turnover, as Thompson hit a 3-pointer to bring the score to 45-42.

A Salvesen layup was quickly followed by a steal and fastbreak layup from Rogowski to cushion Witt-Birn's lead to seven.

With 3:02 left in the game, Bonduel was forced into a traveling violation. From there, Salvesen hit her fourth and final triple of the night to push Witt-Birn's lead to 10.

Weier mounted her own five-point run, consisting of a layup and a subsequent free throw on a foul and two additional free throws.

Hope was still alive for Bonduel, as with 1:48 left in the game, the Bears' defense succeeded again, getting a steal, but nothing came of the offensive possession. On the Chargers' subsequent possession, it was forced into an over and back violation from Bonduel's pressuring defense.

Zernicke followed the turnover by making a post layup, to cut the deficit to three. That's when the comeback

ended, though, as the Chargers' hit three free throws to end the game.

"We just needed to focus on slowing the game down and not rushing things or turning it over," said Rogowski, on how the Chargers were able to hold off the comeback. "So we just slowed down and did what was best for us."

Hischke said that throughout the season, the Bears have been practicing against high-pressure defense and that the test against Witt-Birn will prepare them for the future.

"Every day at practice, we have been doing trapping drills and dribbling drills," said Hischke. "We have definitely improved from the first and second games, but we will get there by the end of the season."

Witt-Birn 22 33 — 55

Bonduel: 25 24 — 49

Witt-Birn (55): Reese Rogowski 5-6 20, Allison Linke 0-2 2, Rory Salvesen 4-4 22, Jami Wendler 0-0 2, Faith Resch 2-4 4, Melaina Granquist 0-0 5.

Bonduel (49): Kendra Troxel 0-2 4, Ella Hischke 4-6 8, Audrey Weier 5-5 15, Hailee Thompson 1-2 7, Josie Anvelink 0-0 2, Hailey Zernicke 0-0 13.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Lena takes down Suring in M&O battle

3 Wildcats in double figures

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Lena High School girls basketball team used a balanced attack to take down Suring 54-45 in a Marinette & Oconto Conference matchup on Dec. 5 in Suring.

The Wildcats had three players score in double figures and eventually were able to pull away from the hosting Eagles.

"I guess pushing the ball and going to Eva (Brooks) inside," said Lena coach Tim Goldschmidt on what his team did to come away with the win. "We had a height advantage on the inside, and we got a lot of fastbreak points, which was the big key."

Brooks led Lena with 18 points after hitting nine shots from the floor.

Three of her four first-half baskets came in the opening five minutes, when Lena jumped out to a 7-4 lead.

Whitney Potter connected on a pair of shots, the second being a 3-pointer, to push the Lena lead to seven, 13-6.

A couple minutes later, Brooks scored again to make it 15-9.

Suring, which was playing without Christine Sleeter and lost starter Macie Reed early on due to injury, scored the game's next eight points to go ahead 17-15.

Hailey VanRens got the run started with a basket before Bunny Cramer connected on a 3-pointer. After a Lena timeout, Cramer hit a free throw before making another shot to tie things up.

The two conference foes stayed within two points of each other for the final five-plus minutes of the half.

The game remained tight for the first couple minutes of the second half. Lena appeared to grab control with a quick 6-0 run on two Eva Brooks' field goals and two free throws from Claire Brooks, but Suring got back within one after a bucket from Birdee Cramer and triple from Bunny Cramer.

"I think coming into this year, we didn't know like who we were going to have and the younger girls stepping up, getting off the bench — knowing our role has really helped this year," said Suring's MacKenzie Bailey. "Like,



Lena's Eva Brooks takes a shot as teammate Claire Brooks (20) looks on and Suring's MacKenzie Bailey, left, Bunny Cramer, right, and Hailey VanRens defend during a conference game on Dec. 5 in Suring.

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there's some girls that don't play a lot and there's some girls that do play a lot when we need them, and we needed them tonight and they played really good."

It was again Eva Brooks that helped the Wildcats create some separation after making a couple shots, but free throws from Bunny Cramer brought the Eagles within three again. A Potter bucket was answered by a 3-pointer from Suring's Emma Kristof, but that was the closest the hosts were the rest of the game.

Natalie McNurlen converted a tough shot before two free throws from Claire Brooks and a basket from Potter gave the visitors a 41-33 advantage with about nine minutes to play.

The teams played pretty even the rest of the way, and eventually the

clock ran out, giving Lena the win.

"We're just playing one game at a time," said Goldschmidt. "We got a decent group, we can finish towards the top (of the conference) but we have to come to play every night, which we didn't for a full game tonight."

"I think the girls know that, they'll get better, they'll improve, they're a great group. We'll just do what we need to do to win and take it one game at a time, because I don't think anybody in this conference is going to go undefeated."

Along with Eva Brooks' 18-point performance, Potter and Claire Brooks also finished in double figures with 15 and 10 points, respectively.

All five Eagles that scored had over six points, led by Bunny Cra-

mer's 15 points. Bailey added nine points, while Kristof had eight.

Despite coming up short, the Eagles were pleased with their showing knowing they weren't at full strength.

"I think the girls that played more, they realized like, 'Hey, I can play varsity and keep up with these girls.' I think that will boost their confidence and then our whole team will keep going off the confidence," said Bailey.

Lena 21 33 — 54

Suring 19 26 — 45

Lena (54): Natalie McNurlen 2-5 6, Eva Brooks 0-3 18, Claire Brooks 7-10 10, Karli Fischer 0-0 2, Breanna Koslowsky 0-0 2, Whitney Potter 2-4 15, Chaela Rabas 1-2 1.

Suring (45): MacKenzie Bailey 3-4 9, Bunny Cramer 3-4 15, Emma Kristof 0-0 8, Birdee Cramer 1-3 7, Hailey VanRens 0-0 6.

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Oconto Falls senior guiding team on court

The Oconto Falls High School girls basketball team is hoping for another strong finish in the tough North Eastern Conference this winter. Senior Ashlyn Allen is one of the team's leaders and is leading the team in scoring so far this season.

Through the team's first three games, Allen was averaging 10.7 points per game. She made at least two 3-pointers in each game, and connected on three triples during a 15-point performance against Little Chute on Nov. 22.

Allen recorded five assists and four steals in a season-opening win over Menominee Indian on Nov. 17.

Q: When did your interest in basketball begin?

A: I have loved basketball ever since I was introduced to it when I was about 4 years old and I went to all my sister's (Kaelyn) tournaments and games. My dad (Dan) played a huge part in getting me involved at a young age and still is always down to shoot around with me or play a game of around the world.

Q: What is your favorite part about the basketball season?

A: Just overall spending four months with some of my best friends and getting to play the game I love. Basketball gives me friends I might not otherwise have, and I'm so thankful for that.

Q: What has the game of basketball taught you over the years?

A: Basketball has taught me not only a variety of life skills, such as hard work and responsibility, but also how to be a part of something bigger than myself. You depend on your teammates the same way they depend on you, which makes you hold yourself accountable and learn to persevere when things get hard.

Q: As a senior, how do you try to lead the rest of your team?

A: I always want to be someone



Oconto Falls' Ashlyn Allen looks to pass during the team's nonconference game against Menominee Indian on Nov. 17 in Oconto Falls.

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that my teammates can look up to on and off the court. I want them to be able to come to me whether it be how to run a play, where they should be in a drill, or help with homework.

Q: What is your favorite thing to do on the basketball court, and why?

A: I love when someone hits a big shot and it completely changes the momentum of the game. The student section goes wild, and you can feel the rush of adrenaline surrounding you, your teammates, and

the entire gym.

Q: Do you have any individual goals you hope to accomplish this winter season, and how do you plan on achieving those?

A: I want to really focus on doing the little things right which will then turn into big things. I also want to score as much as I can and create scoring opportunities for my teammates so that we can succeed as a team and potentially win all-conference awards.

Q: Being a few games into the

AT A GLANCE

Athlete: Ashlyn Allen
Sport: Girls basketball
Position: Point guard, shooting guard
School: Oconto Falls High School
Year: Senior

season now, what are some aspects of the game that your team wants to improve in?

A: Right now we are working on improving our offense to decrease the times that we don't score during games. Since we don't have much height on the team, we also want to continuously improve our defense and use our quickness to our advantage.

Q: Before a game starts, do you or the team have any routines or rituals you go through?

A: The team always has the speaker on max volume and we jam out in the locker room. We mess around and laugh and just relax. Then right before coach (Tim Solarek) comes in, we stretch and start to focus on the game.

Q: What's your favorite memory of competing on the Oconto Falls girls basketball team?

A: Beating Peshtigo in double overtime two years in a row. They were both very high-intensity games and it was super exciting to get the win after fighting so hard.

Q: Favorite movie, TV show, and musical artist?

A: Movie — "The Maze Runner." TV show — "Bones" or "S.W.A.T." Musical artist — Taylor Swift.

Q: Name one thing about yourself that not many people know.

A: I've been stung by a jellyfish!

Q: What are some things you hope to accomplish after graduating high school?

A: Attend a four-year university for a degree in criminal justice and a minor in Spanish.

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ATHLETE PROFILE: DEREK SHAW

Pulaski senior one of best shooters around

The Pulaski High School boys basketball team got out to a 3-3 start to its winter season. Senior Derek Shaw has led the Red Raiders offensively, and is one of the best perimeter shooters around.

Shaw scored 19 points and hit four triples in the team's nonconference win over Wittenberg-Birnamwood on Nov. 22. He scored 14 points and hit two 3-pointers in another nonconference game against Antigo on Nov. 26.

The senior erupted for 36 points against Shawano on Dec. 3. Shaw made 12 shots from the floor, with eight coming behind the 3-point line.

Shaw hit three more 3-pointers and scored 15 points in a Fox River Classic Conference victory over Sheboygan South on Dec. 9.

The Red Raider senior was an honorable mention selection in the FRCC as a junior.

Q: When did your interest in basketball begin?

A: Ever since I can remember. My whole family has been around basketball their entire lives, I took a liking to it when I was very young.

Q: What is your favorite part about the basketball season?

A: My favorite part about the season is the team meals we have before game nights.

Q: What has the game of basketball taught you over the years?

A: Never take the privileges we have for granted. There's kids out there that don't get the opportunities we get, so a mini goal for me is to try and get the most out of this opportunity that I can.

Q: As a senior, how do you try to lead the rest of your team?

A: Having two senior captains I think is a really good thing. The co-captain (Gatlin Robaidek) and I have

AT A GLANCE

Athlete: Derek Shaw
Sport: Boys basketball
Position: Point guard
School: Pulaski High School
Year: Senior

been around the game and experienced a lot of basketball, so I think our leadership is good for the younger guys.

Q: Talk about the work you've put in to become the shooter you are.

A: Every day in the offseason I'm in the gym getting up 3-point shots. My dad (coach Dave Shaw) was a great shooter as well, so I'm trying to keep pushing myself to become better than he was.

Q: Do you have any individual goals you hope to accomplish this winter season, and what will it take to achieve those?

A: One of my goals is I want to guard the best player on every team. That way I can pick up moves that I haven't seen before and put them to my own use. An end of the season goal also would be getting all-conference honors, or scoring my 1,000th career point!

Q: Your team is a few games into the season now. What are some aspects of the game your team wants to improve on?

A: We need to improve defensively, and also taking care of the ball.

Q: Before a game starts, do you or the team have any routines or rituals you go through?

A: We have team meal the night before every game. also we get in a huddle after the starting five are introduced and we give a little motivational speech to play to.

Q: What's your favorite mem-



Pulaski's Derek Shaw takes a jumpshot during a nonconference matchup against Shawano on Dec. 3 in Pulaski.

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ory of competing on the Pulaski boys basketball team?

A: Definitely sitting the bench on varsity as a freshman for the playoffs.

Q: Favorite movie, TV show and musical artist?

A: Movie — "The Lion King." TV show — "Naruto." Musical artist — Lil Baby.

Q: Name one thing about yourself that not many people know.

A: I love to rock climb in my free time.

Q: What are some things you hope to accomplish after graduating high school?

A: I hope to play basketball in college and get a degree in business.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Leonhard says he won't return to Wisconsin staff

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Jim Leonhard, who served as Wisconsin's interim coach for the last seven games of the regular season, says he won't be back with the Badgers next year.

Leonhard tweeted Dec. 6 that he would work as Wisconsin's defensive coordinator for its Dec. 27 Guaranteed Rate Bowl matchup with Oklahoma State but wouldn't be part of new coach Luke Fickell's staff next season.

"It has been an honor to coach these young men, and thank you to all the fans who supported us along the way," Leonhard tweeted. "On Wisconsin!"

Leonhard had served as Wisconsin's defensive coordinator before getting promoted to interim coach after the Oct. 2 firing of Paul Chryst. Leonhard posted a 4-3 record and said he hoped to keep the head coach job beyond this season.

Wisconsin instead hired Fickell, who had gone 57-18 in six seasons at Cincinnati and led the Bearcats to a College Football Playoff appearance last year. Fickell said at his introductory news conference that he'd be open to including Leonhard on the staff but added that Leonhard probably would have plenty of options.

Leonhard, a former All-America safety at Wisconsin who played 10 seasons in the NFL, joined Chryst's staff in 2016 as defensive backs coach and was promoted to defensive coordinator the following year.

Wisconsin led all Football Bowl Subdivision teams in total defense (284.8 yards) and ranked second in pass defense (181.4) and third in run defense (103.4) and scoring defense (17.3 points) over a five-season stretch from 2017-21.

"It has meant the world to me to be able to pour my heart and soul into the UW football program over the last seven years," Leonhard tweeted.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Bonduel earns conference win at Witt-Birn

Bears get win with balanced approach

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Bonduel High School boys basketball team moved to 2-0 in Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division play after earning a 68-54 win over Wittenberg-Birnamwood on Dec. 9 in Wittenberg.

The Bears had three players score in double figures and nine players score in total while picking up their second conference road win of the week. Bonduel topped Amherst 56-51 earlier in the week.

"You don't win conference the first two games, but it's a good step in the right direction (now) that we won those two," said Bonduel's Noah Weier. "It helps us realize that, 'Hey, we're not even hitting half the shots that we can right now, and we're winning games by 10. We're winning games by five (over Amherst).' It's good experience; we know we can get one of the games early, get a win so we're more tested, battle ready. And once we start hitting shots, I think we know that we can be a great team."

The Bonduel, Witt-Birn matchup was an up-and-down affair, with neither team wasting much time during offensive possessions.

The largest lead for either team in the first 11-plus minutes of the half was just four points. Bonduel seized control after ending the half on a 10-4 run to take a 32-26 lead into the halftime break.

Weier knocked down a 3-pointer to spark the surge for the Bears. Colin Margelofsky added a basket after a steal before Brodie Hartmann connected on a 3-pointer.

Owen Springborn hit a shot for Bonduel's final points in the half. Witt-Birn's Mason Meverden and Oliver Fraaza each hit a shot to keep the hosts within striking distance.

Bonduel continued to shoot well at the start of the second half. Baskets from Charlie Tauchen, Karter Schroeder and Weier followed by a triple from Margelofsky pushed the lead to 14, 42-28, to force a Witt-Birn timeout.

Just when it looked like Bonduel



Bonduel's Charlie Tauchen, left, defends Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Michael Miller during a CWC-East game on Dec. 9 in Wittenberg.

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might pull away for good, Witt-Birn was able to slow the Bears down and start hitting some shots of their own.

Meverden hit a triple to get things started for the Chargers, and then hit another shot to start a 7-0 run from the hosts. A 3-pointer from Casey Kielman and basket from Keegan Schmid finished off the run.

Later on, Michael Miller hit a shot and Meverden knocked down another 3-pointer to get Witt-Birn within five, 47-42, with still over eight minutes to play.

"We're never just going to lay down and quit," said Meverden on the team rallying. "We're going to fight until the last second. We got a lot of guys who are going to dig deep and get the work done."

"Our ability to shoot from the outside I'd say (helped the team get back in it). Tonight, I think, was an

off night, but any time you know you can make 3s, you can easily make runs and get back into the game."

Bonduel got key baskets from Willis Bloedorn and Ryan Westrich, and then a basket from Schroeder made it a 10-point game again with seven minutes and change to play.

Over the final stretch of the game, six different Bears scored, capping an overall balanced approach from the visitors.

"What really helped us is we have a really deep bench; all 13 guys are able to play at this level," said Schroeder. "That's how we're able to keep running the court."

"It's very nice having a bunch of guys that are able to do everything — we have a lot of scorers, a lot of rebounders. We have everything that you could ever want."

Weier led Bonduel with 13 points, while Schroeder had 11 and

Westrich 10. Westrich, a freshman, provided a big spark off the bench for the Bears. The big man pulled down a bunch of rebounds was aggressive on his way to attempting five free throws.

Meverden was Witt-Birn's top scorer with 21 points. Miller was the only other Charger over four points, tallying 12 for the contest.

Bonduel 32 36 — 68

Witt-Birn 26 28 — 54

Bonduel (68): Cade Johnson 2-4 6, Colin Margelofsky 1-2 8, Brodie Hartmann 0-0 3, Ryan Westrich 4-5 10, Charlie Tauchen 4-4 9, Noah Weier 3-6 13, Karter Schroeder 1-2 11, Willis Bloedorn 1-1 5, Owen Springborn 1-2 3.

Witt-Birn (54): Michael Miller 0-0 12, Craig Wendel 3-4 3, Marshall Fraaza 0-0 4, Oliver Fraaza 0-3 4, Casey Kielman 0-0 3, Mason Meverden 0-0 21, Keegan Schmid 0-2 4, Ian Salvesen 0-0 3.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Shawano struggles offensively in home loss

Hawks limited to 11 first-half points

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Shawano Community High School girls basketball team had a difficult time getting into an offensive rhythm during its 66-32 setback to West De Pere in a Bay Conference clash held Dec. 6 in Shawano.

The Hawks were limited to three field goals and 11 points in the opening half. West De Pere then busted the game open in the second half behind some strong 3-point shooting.

In the early stages of the contest, Shawano did a great job of attacking the West De Pere defense. The Hawks drew five fouls in roughly the first four minutes. Unfortunately, the hosts only converted two of their six free throws, so the game was tied at 2-2.

A quick 8-0 West De Pere run put Shawano in a hole that it could never climb out of.

Shawano's first field goal came 6 minutes, 20 seconds into the contest when Trinity Popelka converted a shot. She also had the team's second field goal roughly 11 minutes into the game.

The Hawks' only other first-half field goal was by Abby Bystol in the waning seconds of the half.

"We knew this was going to be a tough game. I think they're expected to win conference, so we knew it was going to be tough coming out," said Bystol. "We always have a slow start; we can never really get in that rhythm.

"Defensively, we started out really good, but that really doesn't matter — I mean, it affects their score, but not really ours. You can't win if you don't shoot. We were, but they just weren't falling. We just got to get going earlier than we did."

Despite only tallying 11 first-half points, Shawano was only down 11 at halftime thanks to strong play on the defensive end. The Hawks energy spent on that side of the floor may have impacted play on offense, according to Popelka.

"It was more so the beginning of the half, we were really putting all of our effort into defense. And then on offense, we would just be standing there, and it wasn't working for us, obviously;



Shawano's Ella Stuber, left, defends during the team's conference game against West De Pere on Dec. 6 in Shawano.

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we were only at 11 at halftime."

Offense came a little bit easier in the second half for Shawano, but West De Pere was also able to tweak some things to perform better against the Hawks' zone defense.

The visiting Phantoms scored the first seven points in the second half before an Ella Stuber bucket got Shawano going. A West De Pere triple was matched by a Bystol 3-pointer.

A 7-0 West De Pere spurt made it a 23-point deficit for the Hawks.

"We did change our defense from a 3-2, which was guarding the outside more, to a 2-3, which focused more on the inside and corners," said Popelka. "But we did get wore

out. It's early in the season yet, so we did end up getting tired and we shifted slow."

West De Pere ended up hitting six 3-pointers in the second half alone to help the visitors run away with the game.

Even though the scoreboard showed a lopsided score by the time the final buzzer went off, Shawano — which was missing leading scorer Leah Nordin — still learned some things about itself.

"We can stick with teams if we come out strong," said Bystol. "We were right there, I think it was 22-11 at half."

"If we put our mind to it, we can

do it," Bystol continued. "That's all we need. We need confidence."

Bystol led the team with seven points. Stuber and Popelka each chipped in six points.

West De Pere 22 44 — 66
Shawano 11 21 — 32

West De Pere (66): Alanna Noggle 0-0 2, Faith Walder 5-7 11, Katie Waukau 0-0 10, Noelle Runke 0-2 2, Madisyn Berggren 0-0 12, Ava Hoffman 0-2 0, Ava VanEss 0-0 3, Ella Francois 4-5 22, Victoria Karchinski 0-0 4, Anna Rattray 0-1 0.

Shawano (22): Darcie Erdmann 0-0 4, Marissa Tomashek 2-5 2, Ella Stuber 2-4 6, Trinity Popelka 0-1 6, Braylyn Babino 1-2 3, Abby Bystol 0-2 7, Brynlie Boyles 2-2 4.

HIGH SCHOOL TRACK

Rick Kamps named new coach at Pulaski

He's coached the sport for 22 years

Rick Kamps is the new Pulaski High School varsity track and field coach.

He replaces Kim Noe, who resigned after last season.

"We are excited to have coach Kamps take over as the head varsity track coach at Pulaski High School," said athletic director Janel Batten. "Rick has been a coach and teacher here for years. We are excited to have him lead our track athletes and coaches."

Kamps is a technical education teacher at Pulaski High School for Project Lead the Way Engineering,



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He previously taught in the Howard-Suamico, Gillett and Marion districts prior to coming

to Pulaski in 2016.

Kamps has spent six years as a girls track head coach at Bay Port and Green Bay East high schools and 16 years as a high school track assistant coach. He is also an assistant football coach at PHS and a WIAA-certified basketball official. He also spent two years as activities director at Mari-

nette High School.

Kamps, a Crivitz native, earned a bachelor's degree in secondary education (broad field in social studies and political science) from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh in 1993 and a master's degree in educational administration in 2008 from the University of Scranton.

Kamps lives in Green Bay with his wife of 18 years, Lynn. They have five children: Jamie (Dante) Sabel, Stephany Bouchea, Haley (Cody) Gille, Karstin Van Stechelmann and Braden Kamps, a junior at PHS, and six grandchildren.

Kamps was a three-sport athlete at Crivitz, earning four track, three football and three basketball letters. He was a member of a 4x200-meter relay team that held a WIAA state record for 20 years.

He was Crivitz's first member of the annual WFRV all-star football team as a defensive back. He also competed in the decathlon at Scottsdale (Arizona) Community College as a member of the Fighting Artichokes' track team.

As a freelancer, Kamps produced statistical graphics for NFL on FOX game broadcasts for 25 years. In that role, he traveled to NFL stadiums throughout the country as well as working four games in London. Since COVID, he has produced those graphic packages from home.

Now, he's stepping into a new challenge.

"I'm just excited to take over and try to build the program to where we are competing for conference championships," Kamps said.

COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Wisconsin Lutheran College

Pulaski High School graduate Trevor Stiede provided strong play off the bench for the Wisconsin Lutheran College men's basketball team last week.

Stiede recorded 13 points and three assists across 29 minutes during a one-point loss to Benedictine on Dec. 6. Stiede tallied nine points, five rebounds, four assists and a steal across 13 minutes in a win over Dominican on Dec. 10.

Bonduel graduate Carson Ro-baidek played four minutes against Dominican, dishing out one assist.

Bonduel graduate Kara Troxel continued to earn double-digit minutes off the bench for the WLC women's basketball team last week.

In 18 minutes and a win over Benedictine on Dec. 7, Troxel recorded two points, three rebounds and one block. Troxel played 19 minutes during a lopsided win over Dominican on Dec. 10, tallying 14 points, three assists and one rebound.

UW-Parkside

Pulaski graduate Sheridan Flauger started three games and helped the UW-Parkside women's basketball team to a 2-1 record last week.

In a loss to Lewis on Dec. 6, Flauger recorded five points, six rebounds, four assists and a steal

across 33 minutes.

Flauger tallied three points, four rebounds, three assists and a steal across 21 minutes and a win over Saginaw Valley State on Dec. 9. Flauger was credited with 15 points, six assists, two rebounds and a steal across 31 minutes and a win over Wayne State on Dec. 11.

St. Cloud State University

Pulaski graduate Jasmine Litt played in both of the St. Cloud State women's basketball team's games last week.

Litt recorded two points across five minutes during the team's win over the University of Mary on Dec. 9. She grabbed a rebounds in two minutes of action during a win over Minot State on Dec. 10.

Grand Canyon University

Wittenberg-Birnamwood graduate Wyatt Dickman helped the Grand Canyon men's swim team to two dual wins on Dec. 10.

Dickman won the 100-yard breaststroke in 55.01 seconds and 400 IM in 4:03.27 while also swimming on the top-finishing 200 medley relay (1:30.96).

Concordia University

Shawano grad Rachel Reed has played in four games for the Concordia women's basketball team so far this winter season.

In a loss to Illinois Wesleyan on Nov. 11, Reed had an assist. Reed

tallied six points, five rebounds and an assist during a win over the Milwaukee School of Engineering on Dec. 7.

Reed posted three points and three rebounds in a win over Illinois Tech on Dec. 10.

Saginaw Valley State University

Shawano graduate Tori DePerry scored in double figures twice for the Saginaw Valley State women's basketball team last week.

In a loss to UW-Parkside on Dec. 9, DePerry tallied 15 points, six rebounds, one assist and one steal across 33 minutes.

DePerry contributed 22 points, nine rebounds and four assists during the team's one-point win over Purdue Northwest on Dec. 11.

Augsburg University

Bonduel grad Max Sokolski tied for fifth place while wrestling at the 165-pound weight class for Augsburg at the North Central College Invitational on Dec. 10.

Sokolski went 5-1 on the day, with two wins by pin, two major decision wins and a technical fall win. He rattled off four straight wins after falling in his second match.

UW-Milwaukee

Shawano graduate Isabel Roloff began her collegiate career by competing in two events for the UW-Milwaukee women's track and field team at the Blue Demon Holiday

Invite on Dec. 9.

Roloff placed 10th in the 60-meter dash with a time of 7.86 seconds. She came in 12th in the 200 dash with a mark of 26.58 seconds.

University of Missouri

Oconto Falls grad Clayton Whiting placed first in the 184-pound weight class while wrestling for Missouri at the UNI Open on Dec. 10.

Whiting opened his day with a 3-1 decision win before winning by technical fall, 17-1. The freshman wrestler earned a 3-2 decision win in his next match to finish in first.

Bemidji State University

Shawano graduate Brooke Theis started both of the Bemidji State women's basketball games last week.

She posted two points and one offensive rebound across 23 minutes during a loss to MSU-Moorhead on Dec. 9. Theis grabbed three rebounds and dished out an assist across 12 minutes in a loss to Northern State on Dec. 10.

Cardinal Stritch University

Gillett grad Aubrey DeBauch turned in a strong effort off the bench during the Cardinal Stritch women's basketball team's loss to Governors State on Dec. 7.

Across 11 minutes, DeBauch tallied four points, four rebounds, two steals and one assist.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

WRESTLING

Bozile leads Panthers at Battle on the Bay

Oconto Falls' Cole Bozile earned a third-place finish in the 132-pound weight class to lead the team at the Battle on the Bay on Dec. 10 in Green Bay.

Oconto Falls placed 19th as a team and scored 186 points.

Garrett Ganter placed sixth at 106 pounds for the Panthers.

Hawks' Young 2nd at tournament

Shawano's Caden Young placed second in the 170 weight class at the Battle on the Bay on Dec. 10 in Green Bay.

Shawano took 29th as a team with 98½ points.

Full results can be found at www.trackwrestling.com.

Witt-Birn 2nd at invite

Witt-Birn scored 173 points to place second at the Neenah Invite on Dec. 9 in Neenah. Only Neenah (237) scored more points.

David Gauderman led the Chargers with a first-place finish in the 220-pound weight class. Ben Miller (113), Devin Wudtke (132), Nico Pelusi (152) and Braeden Groshek (170) all came in second.

Easton Davis (126), Andres Sanchez (145) and Owen Schultz all took third for Witt-Birn.

Bonduel claims 8th at invite

Bonduel came in eighth place at the Neenah Invite on Dec. 9 in Neenah, scoring 92½ points.

Jaxon Bogacz led Bonduel with a first-place finish in the 106-pound weight class.

Donovan Vigue (160) and Tyson Bogacz (182) both came in second place for Bonduel. Parker Perry (170) grabbed third place for the Bears.

Tyson Bogacz earned his 100th career win during the invite.

Lena takes 9th in Neenah

Lena scored 82½ points to take ninth place at the Neenah Invite on Dec. 9 in Neenah.

Sam Marquardt placed second at 145 pounds to lead Lena on the night.

Dylan Comins (120) and Max Peterson (138) both earned third-place finishes for the Wildcats.

Whiting leads Oconto

Falls girls in Brillion

Taylor Whiting earned a first-place finish in the 107-pound weight class to lead Oconto Falls at the Brillion Invite on Dec. 9 in Brillion.



Oconto Falls' Hunter Bozile, right, and Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Easton Davis wrestle during a dual on Dec. 8 in Pulaski.

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Whiting pinned her first opponent before winning an 8-1 decision in the title match.

London LeSage (106) claimed second place for the Panthers.

3 Hawks take 2nd at invite

Onna Hermann (126), Piper Novitski (145) and Hatty Fritz (235) all earned second-place finishes for the Shawano girls team at the Brillion Invite on Dec. 9 in Brillion.

Courtney Schenk (145) and Vivian Waldburger (152) both earned third-place finishes for the Hawks.

Shawano 50

Bonduel 30

Shawano picked up a nonconference dual win over Bonduel on Dec. 8 in Bonduel.

Dylan Gartner (106), Mason Theis (220) and Wahkeenyah Waukau (285) all won by pin for Shawano. Caden Young (170) picked up a technical fall win, while Conner Chelberg (195) earned a decision win.

Damien Heyrman (120), Alex Montour (132), Drake Herm (145) and

Dylan Hodkiewicz (152) all won by forfeit for the Hawks.

All five of Bonduel's wins came by pin, with Jaxon Bogacz (113), Hailey Berg (126), Maddy Sokolski (138), Donovan Vigue (160) and Tyson Bogacz (182) earning the wins.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Bowler 52

Tigerton 20

Bowler took down Tigerton in a Central Wisconsin Conference-North Division matchup on Dec. 8 in Tigerton. The Panthers led 30-8 at halftime.

Isabella Stevens scored 20 points for Bowler, while Natalie Rickert added 12 points.

Abby Swartz scored 11 points and grabbed nine rebounds for Tigerton.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Bowler 56

Tigerton 45

Bowler topped Tigerton in a Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division clash on Dec. 9 in Bowler.

Emmitt Kietlinski led a balanced Bowler offensive attack with 14 points. Beau Brunner added 12 points, while Nathan Webster had 10 points.

Ryder Graham tallied 14 points, six rebounds and three steals for Tigerton. Asher Michaelis added eight points, 16 rebounds and four assists, while Maverick Maas scored nine points. Loghan Wanta chipped in seven points and six rebounds.

Pulaski 75

Sheboygan South 47

Pulaski rolled to a Fox River Classic Conference win over Sheboygan South on Dec. 9 in Pulaski.

Brady Wotruba knocked down four 3-pointers and scored 16 points for Pulaski. Derek Shaw and Colin Schultz each hit three triples and added 15 points.

Derek Block chipped in eight points for the Red Raiders. Gatlin Robaidek contributed seven points.

Shawano 83

Menasha 48

Shawano routed Menasha in a Bay Conference contest on Dec. 6 in Menasha. Shawano led 42-17 at halftime.

Michael Metcalf-Grassman led Shawano with 18 points, while Brandon Reed provided 17 points.

Jacob Landon and Logan Sipple each scored 10 points for Shawano. Julian Perez chipped in eight points.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Conference realignment would affect several area teams

Changes being reviewed for 2024 season

The Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Conference Realignment Task Force voted Dec. 6 on 35 football-only requests in the first meeting of the membership's realignment review process for the 2024 and 2025 seasons.

Twenty-seven plans either requested placement in a conference or requested relief from their current conference affiliation in 11-player football.

Although none of the plans advanced were as specified in the respective proposals, information provided in 14 of the plans were modified and advanced for further review by the task force.

In addition, eight of the plans submitted for 8-player football conference realignment were referenced to modify conference alignment throughout the entire state in an all-encompassing plan advanced by the task force for further consideration.

The extensive football conference realignment plans are outlined with links to the detailed proposed conference affiliations on the "Requests and Proposals" option on the WIAA's Conference Realignment webpage at www.wiaawi.org/Schools/Confer-



The Menominee Indian football team lines up on defense against Waupun on Aug. 25 in Keshena. The Eagles are one of several area football teams that could be impacted by the proposed conference realignment.

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ences/Conference-Realignment.

The proposal would cause several changes to area football programs.

Menominee Indian will move from 11-player to 8-player, joining the Across the Bay Conference that includes Algoma, Green Bay NEW Lutheran co-op, Gibraltar, Gillett, Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy, Marion/Tigerton and Sevastopol.

Pulaski would play in the Fox Valley Area 3 Conference, going up against Ashwaubenon, Green Bay Southwest, Green Bay West, Menasha, Notre Dame, Oshkosh North and West De Pere.

Suring would move to the Northeast Conference in 8-player ball. Elcho/White Lake, Florence, Niagara, Pembine/Goodman, Three Lakes/Phelps, Wabeno/Laona and Wausaukee would fill out the conference.

Bowler/Gresham would move to the Mideast Conference at the 8-player level. Almond-Bancroft, Faith Chris-

tian, Newman Catholic, Port Edwards, Tri-County and Wild Rose would fill up the conference.

Shawano would remain in the Bay Conference, with Fox Valley Lutheran, New London, Seymour, Waupaca, Winneconne and Xavier filling out the conference. Bonduel would still be in the Packerland, with conference opponents of Kewaunee, Marinette, Mishicot, Oconto, Peshtigo, Southern Door and Sturgeon Bay.

Oconto Falls would remain in the Northwoods, with Clintonville, Coleman, Crandon, Crivitz, Manawa, Northland Pines and Shiocton filling up the conference. Wittenberg-Birnamwood would still be in the Central Wisconsin Conference-Large, with opponents of Amherst, Colby, Loyal/Greenwood, Marathon, Spencer/Columbus Catholic, Stratford and Weyauwega-Fremont.

Newly affected schools with the modified solutions are invited to ap-

pear and provide feedback during a virtual meeting scheduled for Jan. 5.

All schools impacted by the modified realignment plan may provide feedback prior to and during the task force meeting on Jan. 12. In addition, schools that submitted requests, which were not advanced at the Dec. 6 meeting may appeal the decision at the Jan. 12 meeting before the task force finalizes the modified solutions.

Plans that are advanced from the January meeting will be reviewed by the Board of Control to make a final determination on each of the proposals at its March 7 meeting.

Appeals, if successful, will be communicated with the membership and re-evaluated by the task force.

If the revised solutions are approved on appeal, they will be submitted to the Board of Control for consideration in March with any modifications and solutions communicated to the membership.

RECREATION SCOREBOARD

BOWLING

Chet and Emil's Monday Women's League

Team	W	L
Star Campsite	28	20
Cady Home	24	24
Banner Banks	21 1/2	26 1/2
Chet and Emil's	21 1/2	26 1/2

High team handicap games: Star Campsite 785, Cady Home 735, Banner Banks 683.

High individual scratch games: Julie Stewart 222, Alicia Schinzel 198, Kim Zeller 192, Barbara Praslowicz 181, Cindy Mortenson 170, Tracy Anderson 169.

High team handicap series: Star Campsite 2,112, Cady Home 2,060, Chet and Emil's 2,004.

High individual scratch series: Kim Zeller 540, Alicia Schinzel 508, Cindy Mortenson 477, Jen Duranceau 472, Julie Stewart 466, Tanya Rekow 456.

Lakeshore Masters — Lakeshore Lanes

Team	W	L
Golfside	48	16
Farmall Fanatics	44 1/2	19 1/2
Launching Pad	41 1/2	22 1/2
Dearco Distributors	40	24

Northern Advantage	35	29
Bamboo	31 1/2	32 1/2
Rosie's Railway	31 1/2	32 1/2
Lakeshore Lanes	31 1/2	32 1/2
Brother's	29 1/2	34 1/2
Shawano Auto Sales	20	44
Full Service Tents	19	45
Pin Pricks	12	52

High team scratch games: Launching Pad 752, Golfside 714, Dearco Distributors 683.

High individual scratch games (top 7): Don Pedersen 289, Ed Brusky 258, Zack Ruehle 258, Todd Schertz 258, Tom Hoffman 257, Carson Malueg 257, John Teller 251.

High team scratch series: Golfside 2,046, Launching Pad 1,943, Bamboo 1,936.

High individual scratch series (top 7): Zack Ruehle 734, Carson Malueg 710, Todd Schertz 702, Ed Brusky 698, Jeff Arndt 693, Don Pedersen 680, Mark Schachtschneide 673.

Chet and Emil's Tuesday Commercial

Team	W	L
Chet and Emil's	30	9

Kautza Excavating	27	12
Schmidt Schulta	20	19
Clark Construction	20	19
White Insurance	15	24

High team scratch games: Chet and Emil's 1,085, Clark Construction 962, White Insurance 926.

High individual scratch games: Jeremy Praslowicz 289, Brandon Resch 256, Jordan Wanta 253, Dave Schultz 253.

High team scratch series: Chet and Emil's 3,147, Clark Construction 2,776, White Insurance 2,699.

High individual scratch series: Jeremy Praslowicz 799, Dave Schultz 705, Andy Hegewald 684.

Chet and Emil's Thursday Early Birds

Team	W	L
Schairer Farms	18	10
Rightway Propane	16	12
Stadler Farms	13	15
M and J Harvesting	9	19

High team scratch games: Rightway Propane 618, Schairer Farms 610, Stadler Farms 553.

High individual scratch games: Susan Zeinert 194, Kim Zeller 193, Katie Hanke 188, Tricia Schairer 184.

High team scratch series: Rightway Propane 1,792, Schairer Farms 1,781, M and J Harvesting 1,581.

High individual scratch series: Susan Zeinert 531, Kim Zeller 496, Kristine Beran 474, Tricia Schairer 472.

Chet and Emil's Wednesday Business

Team	W	L
Karcz Lending	24	15
CWAA	24	15
S and M Tool	23	16
Rew Motors	22	17
Kropf's Meat	17	22
TLC Auto Body	17	22
Kessen Auto Body	15	24
Chet and Emil's	14	25

High team scratch games: S and M Tool 1,106, Karcz Lending 1,083, CWAA 1,023.

High individual scratch games: Rhett Matz 256, Shawn Walkush 246, Austin Rekow 236.

High team scratch series: S and M Tool 3,130, Karcz Lending 3,029, CWAA 2,855.

High individual scratch series: Adam Karcz 725, Paul Hanke 694, Doug Kunst 658.

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WEEK	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	BROADCAST
1	Sunday, September 11	at Minnesota Vikings	3:25 p.m.	FOX
2	Sunday, September 18	CHICAGO BEARS	7:20 p.m.	NBC
3	Sunday, September 25	at Tampa Bay Buccaneers	3:25 p.m.	FOX
4	Sunday, October 2	NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS	3:25 p.m.	CBS
5	Sunday, October 9	vs New York Giants (London)	8:30 a.m.	FOX
6	Sunday, October 16	NEW YORK JETS	*12 p.m.	FOX
7	Sunday, October 23	at Washington Commanders	*12 p.m.	FOX
8	Sunday, October 30	at Buffalo Bills	*7:20 p.m.	NBC
9	Sunday, November 6	at Detroit Lions	*12 p.m.	FOX
10	Sunday, November 13	DALLAS COWBOYS	*3:25 p.m.	FOX
11	Thursday, November 17	TENNESSEE TITANS	7:15 p.m.	prime video
12	Sunday, November 27	at Philadelphia Eagles	*7:20 p.m.	NBC
13	Sunday, December 4	at Chicago Bears	*12 p.m.	FOX
14	Monday, December 19	LOS ANGELES RAMS	7:15 p.m.	ESPN
15	Sunday, December 25	at Miami Dolphins	12 p.m.	FOX
16	January 7 or 8	MINNESOTA VIKINGS		
17		DETROIT LIONS		
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