

Hempler wins coach of the year honors

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Former Red Wing high school girls swimming coach **Nicole Hempler** was named the Minnesota Intercollegiate Conference co-coach of the year, along with her coaching partner at St. Catherine, Shana Erickson. Hempler also earned this honor for 2008-09; she is in her ninth season with St. Kate's.

The awards were announced Feb. 19 during the ceremony for the MIAC women's swimming and diving championships at the University of Minnesota Aquatics Center.

St. Kate's came in fifth out of 11 teams with a total score of 344 points; the girls held on to their fifth-place position in the standings by less than eight points over St. Benedict.

Hempler coached the girls state champion

team for Red Wing in 2001. Also, she led the boys to second that season, among coaching numerous individual state champions.

• Red Wing graduate **Grant Frost** helped propel the St. Thomas men's swimming and diving team to a second-place finish at the MIAC Championships Feb. 19 at the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center. The senior swimmer took fifth in the finals of the 200-yard breaststroke with a time of two minutes, 12.08 seconds, earning 14 points for his team.

The Tommies finished behind St. Olaf (759.5 points) with 640 points. They edged Gustavus Adolphus, which came in third with 612. On the

second day of the three-day competition, Frost came in fifth with a 1:00.94 in the 100 breaststroke. He also swam the second leg of the 200 medley relay, helping St. Thomas finish fourth with a time of 1:34.92.

• Carleton junior and Red Wing native **Caleb Rosenow** can add 2010-11 MIAC men's basketball champion to his athletic resume. The Knights won their second title in six years (after previously going 40 years without a regular season conference title) with an 84-73 overtime victory against St. Olaf Feb. 19.

Carleton hosted its neighborhood rivals for the final game of the regular season as they erased an eight-point deficit near the end of regulation to earn a share of the title with St. Thomas.

Rosenow hit two free throws in the game, playing 23 minutes with a

steal and an assist. It was the seventh win in a row for the Knights and their 11th win in the past 12 games. Rosenow finished the season third on the team in scoring with 9.5 points per game and 237 points (.569 field goal percentage). He was also third on the team in rebounds with 114 (38 offensive, 76 defensive).

• Augsburg junior men's hockey player **Trevor Doden** finished off the regular season on a high note. He had a three-point game in a 5-4 overtime win over Bethel on Feb. 18 to help the Auggies earn a MIAC playoff berth for the third straight year.

The Red Wing graduate assisted on the overtime game-winner 59 ticks into the extra session, scored by B.J. McClellan. Doden scored his sixth goal of the season at 12:36 of the second to make the game 3-2 Augsburg. Doden also assisted

on linemate McClellan's other goal in the second period. The Auggies also beat Bethel the next day, 4-2.

Doden finished the regular season with six goals and seven assists in 25 games.

His 13 points rank fifth on the team. He's also second on the team in shots with 87.

• **Amanda Daleiden** finished up her sophomore regular season at Wisconsin-Stout with 88 points and averaged 3.5 points per game in 25 contests.

Daleiden, a Plum City graduate, started two games, had 20 steals and 3.2 rebounds per game. She is fourth on the team in total rebounds with 79, 32 offensive and 47 defensive. She was also the rebound leader for three games this season, grabbing six boards on each occasion.

In a 75-57 win over UW-Platteville on Feb.

12, she scored four points and pulled down six rebounds while playing 13 minutes. Stout lost the regular-season finale against UW-Eau Claire 67-64; Daleiden had two boards in that game.

• **Liz Bauer** had the best season of her collegiate hockey career this season at St. Catherine. The junior center from Red Wing scored a goal and three assists (four points) in 22 games. She also could be seen as quite a disciplined skater, as she didn't spend any time in the penalty box all season.

Her lone goal, the first one of her career at St. Kate's, was scored in the season opener in a 4-2 non-conference win over St. Benedict on Nov. 4.

Her three assists also topped her career total of two going into this season, giving her a total of five at the end of the regular season for the Wildcats.

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said she knew right away that she was hit in the face, but she didn't complain to the officials or correct them.

"They just came up to me and asked me if I was OK and I didn't want to get taken out of the game or anything," Rynda said. "So then I just tried to stop crying and I said I was OK."

She added: "It was a close game and it was toward the end so I figured I could just suck it up for a little bit longer."

The Trojans went on to win 72-64. Rynda held Buck to 11 points and scored 21 of her own.

Buck is Red Wing's leading scorer, averaging

15.5 points per game, and has caught college coaches' attention. Buck has said she's been offered a scholarship to play for Wisconsin-Green Bay and that she is interested in Minnesota.

Kopp worked the game with Jason Bakke. Neither official was aware that a punch had been thrown until contacted Thursday.

"I am really oblivious, in all sincerity," Bakke said.

Kopp said officials missed the incident because it took place in what he referred to as a two-person crew's "blind spot." Buck and Rynda were on the wing near

the Red Wing bench while the ball was on the other side of the court. Red Wing's Marisa Toivonen was putting up a shot in the paint at the time Rynda was hit.

Slessor said he thinks coach Ulveling didn't see the punch either because it occurred away from the action.

"I'm looking at this situation believing that in this particular case knowledge came to everybody well after the fact," Slessor said. "This is not how anyone coaches. Our coach has the highest respect for the rules of the game and how we want young people to develop."

While Rynda expressed a desire to drop the issue, it might not be long before the incident is brought up again. New Prague and Red Wing are both members of Section 1AAA. The teams have met in the section tournament each of the last four years with the Trojans winning all four meetings.

The section tournament begins Wednesday and Rynda said she is preparing to play the Wingers once more.

"I would be a little timid (of guarding Buck again)," Rynda said. "I would still do it without even double guessing myself."

Wingers fall

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Chanhassen knocked down 13 3-pointers as the Storm beat Red Wing 79-59 Friday.

The visiting Wingers went just 3-for-17 from 3-point land.

"Our best games are when we shoot well from the perimeter," Red Wing coach Doug Toivonen said.

While the Wingers didn't shoot well from outside, they did a good job of establishing a post presence, Toivonen said. Red Wing's center, Isaac Sevlie, 25 points. He went

11-for-12 from the free-throw line.

On the other end of the floor, Chanhassen proved to be tough to contain.

"(They) got hot and we just couldn't slow them down," said Toivonen, adding, "We had a couple defensive lapses, which is disappointing."

Pat Kelly and Joel Newman each scored eight points.

Red Wing (13-11 overall, 5-7 Missota) travels to Holy Angels on Tuesday.

AREA BOYS BASKETBALL

Panthers struggle

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Baldwin-Woodville 55, Ellsworth 39

The Panthers were outscored by 15 points in the fourth quarter of Friday's home loss.

"It came down to Baldwin making more plays down the stretch," Ellsworth coach Cory Brathol said.

Baldwin-Woodville hit 9 of 10 free throws in the final quarter.

Jimmy Miska led Ellsworth with 17 points. Chris Niedfeldt scored 11.

St. Peter 83, Cannon Falls 51

When Cannon Falls point guard Jordan Lundell left Friday's game with foul trouble, St. Peter upped its defensive pressure and went on to win the road game.

"With Jordan Lundell out there we handle pressure well," Bombers coach Chip Callister said. "Without Jordan we struggle. It's almost like (St. Peter) knew."

Cedric Dicke scored 20 points. Sean Serres added 11 points for the Bombers.

On the verge of state titles

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WIAA WRESTLING

MADISON, Wis. — Three Panthers — Jens Lantz (103 pounds), Roarke Langer (125) and Parker Hines (189) — advanced to the finals of the Wisconsin Division 2 individual state tournament.

Lantz had no trouble beating J.J. Donar from Cuba City-Southwestern in the semifinals by a 13-0 major decision. Lantz dominated from beginning to end.

Langer was in control for almost his entire semifinal match against Luxemburg-Casco's Zach Skarda.

Only a late reversal by Skarda made the score close as Langer won by a score of 8-6.

Hines won his semifinal match 13-5 over Freedom's Ben Bayer.

"All three of them are wrestling at a championship level already," Ellsworth coach Jack Radabaugh said.

"Hopefully they'll wrestle the same way tomorrow night too. But they've all worked hard to get to this points so they deserve it."

Hines made state last season, but was eliminated in the consolation

round. Now he's on the cusp of a championship.

"Honestly I was just hoping to get back down here and place. That was my goal to start the season," Hines said. "That I'm at this point now is just great. It's been a great season."

Two Panthers missed out on reaching the finals. D.J. Yarwood lost his balance on a shot in overtime against River Valley's Seth Liegel and lost 5-3 at 140. It was the second year in a row Liegel beat Yarwood at state.

Levi Kuesel, a senior, won't make it back to the state finals as Wrightstown's Jackson Fox beat

him 12-5 at 152.

The finals begin at 6 p.m. today. Lantz will face Wild Rose-Wautoma's Zach Sirny (41-1) in a matchup of the two top-ranked Division 2 wrestlers at 103.

Langer will face Kewaskum's Brett Scoles (36-6). Scoles upset Joseph Her, the defending champion from Two Rivers, in the other semifinal.

Hines will take on the top-rated Division wrestler in the state at 189, Kewaskum's Bo Seibel (41-1).

Kuesel and Yarwood will wrestle in the placing matches this morning and afternoon.

SCOREBOARD

CALENDAR

Today's games
Boys basketball
HVL championship: Stewartville at Goodhue, 7 p.m.
Pepin-Alma at Dairyland Conference Tournament at Melrose-Mindoro, 10 a.m.
Girls basketball
Eau Claire Immanuel Lutheran at Plum City, 7:30 p.m.
Gymnastics
State Tournament
Boys hockey
Section 1A tournament: No. 5 Red Wing vs. No. 1 Rochester Lourdes at Rochester Rec Center, 2 p.m.
Girls hockey
Class A state tournament consolation finals: Red Wing vs. Hutchinson, 10 a.m. Ridder Arena
Boys swimming and diving
Section 1A Tournament at Inver Grove Heights Veterans Memorial Community Center
Wrestling
WIAA State
Section 1A and 1AA Individual Tournament at Mayo Civic Center

Monday's games
Girls basketball
Cochrane-Fountain City at Pepin-Alma in Alma, 7:30 p.m.
Plum City at Colfax, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday's games
Boys basketball
WIAA Regional: No. 7 Pepin-Alma at No. 2 Plum City, 7 p.m.
Red Wing at Academy of Holy Angels, 7:30 p.m.
WIAA Regional: No. 5 Durand at No. 4 Ellsworth, 7 p.m.
Section 1AA West: No. 7 Cannon Falls at No. 2 Rochester Lourdes, 7 p.m.

Section 1AA West: No. 5 Lake City at No. 4 Byron, 7 p.m.
Section 1AA West: No. 6 Kingsland at No. 3 Zumbrota-Mazeppa, 7 p.m.
Girls basketball
Section 1A West semifinals: No. 1 Goodhue vs. No. 5 Lyle/Pacellii at Mayo Civic Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.
Baldwin-Woodville 55, Ellsworth 39
Baldwin-Woodville 1 17 17 20-55
Ellsworth 5 12 17 5-39
Ellsworth: Travis Kroll 6, Jimmy Miska 17, Chris Niedfeldt 11, Bryce Stockwell 5.

St. Peter 83, Cannon Falls 51
St. Peter 43 40-83
Cannon Falls 23 28-51
Cannon Falls: Paul Rolfe's 1, Jordan Lundell 2, Noah Callister 3, Jeremy Schroeder 4, Austin Noble 6, Cedric Dicke 20, Mitch Sabrowsky 2, Andrew Sharot 2, Sean Serres 11.

Chanhassen 79, Red Wing 59
Red Wing 30 29-59
Chanhassen 41 38-79
Red Wing: Isaac Sevlie 25, Pat Kelly 8, Dylan Gorman 2, Joel Newman 8, Coleman Kelly 3, Willy Ahern 4, Alex Quiding 4, Ryan Boldt 5.

BOX SCORES

Girls basketball
No. 1 Goodhue 59, No. 9 Medford 21
Medford 9 12-21
Goodhue 40 19-59
Goodhue: Abby Kohnhoffer 4, Brooke Bitzan 1, Courtney Hinsch 5, Mikayla Miller 11, Kali Ryan 2, Alyssa Ryan 4, Erica Tipcke 2, Allison Cordes 5, Molly McNamara 2, Anne Lodermeier 13,

Chanel Robert 8, Meredith Watson 2.
Chanhassen 80, Red Wing 67
Chanhassen 35 45-80
Red Wing 34 33-67
Red Wing: Jen Ulveling 16, Ashley Brooks 6, Kassy Guse 3, Marisa Toivonen 9, Danielle Brooks 20, Andrea LaFond 6, Macy Kelly 7.

No. 1 Rochester Lourdes 70, No. 8 Cannon Falls 35
Cannon Falls 22 13-35
Rochester Lourdes 49 21-70
Cannon Falls: Sam Wolter 2, Makenzie Franklin 8, Natalie Reinardy 6, Ashley Banitt 2, Becca Welt 1, Cortney Johnson 1, Katie Schreyer 14, Courtney Woodcock 1.

No. 2 Stewartville 52, No. 7 Lake City 15
Lake City 8 7-15
Stewartville 38 14-52
Lake City: Carley Siewert 2, Taylor Koller 3, Emily Dudley 2, Ashley Gates 8.

Elk Mound 57, Plum City 49
Elk Mound 20 10 14 13-57
Plum City 9 15 10 15-49
Plum City: Morgan Sweeney 2, Niky Dierks 4, Marah Boyer 14, Ashley Longsdorf 4, Tiffany Clare 14, Tessa Winkler 3, Heather Von Holtum 8.

No. 3 Kingsland 56, No. 6 Zumbrota-Mazeppa 47
Zumbrota-Mazeppa 16 31-47
Kingsland 29 27-56
Zumbrota-Mazeppa: Kalli Paukert 3, Carissa Darcy 2, Jamie St. Marie 8, Geena Miller 6, Laura Huneke 8, Ashlen Buck 2, Allison Mollenhauer 16, Amber Jentsch 2.

BOWLING

Nybo's Lanes

League standing sheets will be available on Mondays at www.republican-eagle.com/marketplace/NyboLanes

Tuesday's results
Wow League
High game: Marian Fitschen 205; Billie Stinar 199; Kathy Hall 192.
High series: Marian Fitschen 564; Billie Stinar 494; Jeanne Felber 491.
High team game: Stinar M&M 637.
High team series: Stinar M&M 1838.
Team scores: Grandpa's Wagon Shop 3, bye 1; Liberty's 1, Discovery Financial 3; Stinar M&M 4, Anderson Rock & Lime 0.
Splits: Joye Sundheim 7-8; Marcy Knoblauch 5-6-10; Joyce Burkel 3-10.

In-Betweeners League
High game: Donna Giere 255; Ann Born 203; Jean Fjelsted 195; Justine Becker 195.
High series: Donna Giere 568; Justine Becker 567; Jodi Gronquist 522.
High team game: Watson & Speight 716.
High team series: Top Notch 1893.
Team scores: Red Wing Shoe Co. 3, Cozy Collectibles 1; Mr. Bilz 3, The Rox 1; Ebenezers 2, Red Men I 2; Style Cellar 2, Hair With Pizazz 2; Scott's Chem Dry 4, Woodshed 0; Watson & Speight 4, Logan's Plaster & Drywall 0; Red Men II 4, Felber Roofing 0; Top Notch 3, Bev's Cafe 1.
Splits: Sheryl Schuetzle 5-10; Sue Kizer 5-7; Dawn Cripe 5-10, x2; Mary Brown 3-10; Carrie Born 2-10, 5-7; Ann Born 5-10, 4-5; Virginia Born 3-10; Jenny Born 4-5, 3-10; Jan Frazier 3-10

SPORTS BRIEFS

Mason wins state title

Cannon Falls junior Sveta Mason helped the Northfield co-op gymnastics team defend its Class AA state title Friday at the University of Minnesota's Sports Pavilion.

Northfield won with a team score of 150.400. Roseville took second with 150.100 points.

Mason scored a team-leading 9.7 in the floor exercise. She also posted a 9.125 on the balance beam and a 9.375 on the uneven bars.

Area wrestlers excel on first day of section tournament

Goodhue and Zumbrota-Mazeppa each had 10 wrestlers earn a top-six finish in the Section 1A individual tournament by qualifying for today's competition.

Z-M's Joey Majerus (103 pounds), Mitchell Watkins (125), Grant Kylo (135), Brandon Klindworth (160), Chad Matthees (189) and Cole Nelson (215) are in the semifinals. The other wrestlers are in the consolation semis.

Goodhue's Kyle Drehmel (119), Charlie Dicke (140) and Ty Stecklein (152) are in the semifinals.

To make it to state, a wrestler needs to finished first or second today.

Five Lake City wrestlers will be back for the second day of the section tournament. Rusty Grism (135) and Will Balow (160) will be competing in the semifinals.

Six Cannon Falls wrestlers will be back in Rochester today for the Section 1AA tournament. Jared Duffy (119), Brock Gobin (171) and Spencer O'Reilly (189) made it to the semifinals.