

Sammons is sixth Cobra state champion; Eagle girls won 24 games in '03-04

A little over a year ago, I wrote a feature about the numerous highly-successful boys basketball teams produced over the decades by the Windom boys basketball program.

What about the girls? The Eagles have had several great seasons, including the last two. I will mention a few of those best years later.

But first, here's a salute to all-around senior athlete Kade Sammons for joining the elite group of Cobra wrestlers, representing the pairing of Windom and Mt. Lake (and Butterfield-Odin prior to 2016), who have won state championships on the mat.

Sammons, who finished as a Class A runner-up at 132 pounds as a junior in 2020, achieved his goal of earning a state gold medal this year, recently winning the Class A state title at 138 pounds.

He became the sixth Cobra to claim a state wrestling championship since 2000 and only the 10th from Windom, Mt. Lake or Butterfield-Odin since 1962.

Sammons has enjoyed success in football and baseball for the Eagles. He finished the season with a 34-2 record and did what Brett Willaby accomplished two years ago.

As a junior in 2019, Willaby

(a football standout for Mt. Lake Area) completed a 35-3 season with a state championship at 126 pounds.

Willaby's state title was the first for the Cobras since Spencer Johnson (38-3) claimed the Class AA championship at 189 pounds in 2010.

During the years from 2003-2006, two Cobras each won three state wrestling championships, both with undefeated records twice.

Freshman Travis Elg (103, 45-0) and sophomore Nick Kulseth (119, 43-0) gave WMLBO a pair of Class AA state champs in 2003 and repeated in 2004 with Elg (28-1) winning at 119 and Kulseth (44-1) claiming gold at 125.

Kulseth won a third straight state championship as a senior in 2005, going undefeated (43-0) to repeat his title at 125. Elg won a third state title as a senior in 2006, winning at 140 with a perfect 43-0 record.

Prior to those six state titles over a four-year span, Cobra Anthony Elg capped an undefeated (38-0) season as a freshman in 2000 with a state championship at 103.

Butterfield-Odin's Paul Koenig won a 185-pound Class A state championship as a senior in 1985. He was the only wrestler from the



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three schools to win a title during the two-class system from 1976-1995.

Three Windom wrestlers—all during the 1960s—won one-class state championships for the Eagles, coached by Loie Grandprey, the program's founder.

Jim Ray at 175 in 1962, followed by Bob Wendel at 145 in 1963, and Sheldon Perala at 133 in 1967, were all state champions who represented Windom in the one-class system.

Girls had seven runner-up finishes before 2020

Coached by Roger Elzenga, the Eagles had a great team which finished 17-4 in the mild winter of 1980-81. With Karen Schaffer, Christy Grunewald, Karen Anderson, Kim Kelly, Patty Lunn and

Lisa Berkness as Windom's top-six players, the Eagles came close—very close—to knocking off eventual state champion Heron Lake-Okabena in the District 7 championship game at Mt. Lake, coming up just three points short (39-36).

Seven years later, Windom—coached by Mike Kern—finished 17-7 with seniors Kris DeClerk, Heather Van Norman, Ann Lewis and Melissa Ferguson leading the way, along with juniors Shannon Dunse and Crista Stahl and sophomore Dana Ferguson.

With Dunse, Stahl and Dana Ferguson back the next year, Windom was very good again, advancing for the second year in a row to the District 7 title clash. But like in '88, undefeated Storden-Jeffers, which won the 1989 state championship, defeated the Eagles who completed the campaign with a 19-5 mark, going 36-12 over those two seasons.

Seven years after that in 1996, Windom had another great season, winning the Southwest Conference championship with an 11-1 record. That team was coached by Sheryl Hanefeld, who had been Kern's assistant before guiding the Eagles for nearly two decades.

Featuring a tall starting lineup with seniors Lisa Davis, Tanya Soleta and Kristin Gauer joined by sophomores Annie Rezac and Rheann Piotter, the Eagles advanced to the finals of Sub-Section 9 with a memorable high-scoring 81-77 semifinal victory over Heron Lake-Okabena-Lakefield in a game at Jackson. In the last year of the two-class system, the Eagles finished 17-8 overall with a 68-60 loss in the championship game at Worthington to a fine Red Rock Central squad, led by the amazing Jamie Pudenz.

Two years later, playing in Class AA, the Eagles capped an 11-15 season with a late-season surge advancing to the sub-section finals with a pair of tournament wins. Piotter, now a senior, was joined in the usual starting lineup by Missy Lamote, sophomore Nicole Neseth and a pair of exceptional freshmen, Nicole Maras and Crystal Gravely.

Tragedy hit the Eagles hard the following summer when Gravely was killed in a car accident.

But starting with a stellar 18-6 season in 2000-01—led by seniors Nicole Maras, Micara Anderson, Jennie Eyberg and Sabrina Hacker, along with junior Kelsey Sny-

der—Windom advanced to four consecutive Section 3AA South championship games, peaking with a 24-win season in the winter of 2003-04 with a veteran squad, led by several players who were in their third season as varsity starters.

Kelsey Snyder and senior teammate Lesley Johnson were joined by sophomores Whitnee Fester and Liz Thon, along with freshmen Amber Behrens, Lindsay Vortherms and Erica Hormig as the Eagles first seven for much of the '01-02 campaign, finishing 14-11. With five of them returning, the Eagles improved to 18-9 the next winter ('02-03) as junior Autumn Pankonin and sophomore Sara Snyder gave Windom a trio of juniors and four sophomores in the team's top-seven rotation.

In the future—probably early next winter—this sports history feature will take a look back at that fabulous '03-04 season, when the experienced Eagles, led by Hormig (the school's all-time scoring leader in varsity girls basketball with 1,669 career points) and playmaker Fester, dominated most opponents on their way to Windom's best-ever overall record (24-3) in varsity girls basketball.

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pitchers had the Windom softball team stymied Tuesday, as St. James Area claimed an 11-0, six-inning shutout win over the Eagles at the Windom Recreation Area.

Addy Bowers held the Eagles to two baserunners in the game, allowing just one hit and striking out 14. Windom had its only runners in the bottom of the fourth, when Jenna Brockman was hit by a pitch and Kait Huska followed with a single.

The Saints broke through in the top of the third for three runs, then added a single run in the fourth,

three in the fifth and four in the sixth to seal the win.

Ellie Maricle took the pitching loss for the Eagles, allowing 11 runs on 11 hits. She walked one and struck out six.

Score by innings	R	H	E
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Windom.....	000	000	—0 1 4

Windom hitters: Maricle 0-3; Letcher 0-3; Brockman 0-1; Spielman 0-0; Huska 1-2; Veenker 0-2; Rupp 0-2; Espenson 0-2; O'Donnell 0-2; Elness 0-2.

Windom pitchers: Maricle (L, 2-1) 6 IP, 11 R, 4 ER, 11 H, 1 BB, 6 K.



JOEL ALVSTAD 4/28 fastpitch 1

JENNA VEENKER fires to first to record an out during last Tuesday's Eagle softball game against St. James Area. Veenker made her varsity pitching debut in the second game of Thursday's doubleheader against Pipestone.

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NOTICE OF AMBULANCE REMOUNT PROJECT AND CALL FOR BIDS City of Windom, Minnesota

Notice is hereby given: The City of Windom, Minnesota, will be accepting bids to furnish and provide all labor, materials and equipment necessary to remount and

recondition a provided ambulance module onto a new chassis. All bids must be sealed, submitted and received either by mail or personal delivery at City Hall, 444 9th Street, P.O. Box 38, Windom, MN 56101, on or before **May 13, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.** Any bids received after that time will be rejected.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The Ambulance Replacement Project includes all labor, materials and equipment necessary to recondition and remount a provided ambulance module onto a new 2022 Ford E450 gasoline chassis, all in accordance with the general terms, conditions and details outlined in the specifications.

OWNER'S RIGHTS RESERVED: The City of Windom, Minnesota, reserves the unqualified right to reject any or all bids and to waive any and all irregularities and informalities in the bidding process; and further reserves the unqualified right to award the project to any bidder as allowed by law if the interest of the City of Windom, Minnesota, would be thereby best served.

Anyone desiring additional information or a copy of the ambulance specifications should contact Tim Hacker at

tim@windomfarmsservice.com.
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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Southwest Regional Development Commission (SRDC) will hold a public hearing on its budget for Fiscal Year 2022 (July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022) on Thursday, May 13, 2021. To protect the health and well-being of our community, Commission members, and staff during this time, SRDC will offer a virtual option for public attendance and participation at the public hearing. A link in which the public may stream and participate is found below. The Hearing will begin at 3:30 p.m. and continue until all persons wishing to offer a testimony have been heard. Copies of the proposed budget may be obtained at the Southwest Regional Development Commission Office, 2401 Broadway Avenue, Slayton, MN. Copies of the proposed budget are also on file with each county auditor, county coordinator, city clerk, and township association chair in Region 8.

To join the meeting:
1. View streaming video with audio (requires internet connected computer or cell

phone): from internet connected computer, follow this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83170753016>.

2. From internet connected mobile phone, download Zoom Cloud Meetings app and enter Meeting ID: 831 7075 3016
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NAMEHOLDER(S): Name: H&H Consolidated LLC

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SIGNED BY: Bridget Hodkin

MAILING ADDRESS: None Provided

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COTTONWOOD COUNTY

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April 6, 2021
Cottonwood County
Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting

The Board of Commissioners met at the Cottonwood County Law Enforcement Center in Windom, MN. Present in person or via teleconference for all or portions of the meeting were: Commissioners Tom Appel, Donna Gravley, Norm Holmen, Larry Anderson, Kevin Stevens; County Coordinator Kelly Thongvivong, Auditor/Treasurer Donna Torkelson, Kathy Marsh, Drew Hage, Nick Klisch, Gale Bondhus, Jed Rhube, Alex Schultz, Jason Purrington, Jason Rupp, Dennis Johnson, Mike Johnson, Dominic Jones, Larry Falk, Matt Ashton, Kenneth Anacker, Willie Friesen,

Brian Oeltjenbruns, Brian Hopwood, Steve Kremmin, John Regier, Troy Duerksen, Ramont Schrock, Gordon Harder, and Joel Alvstad.

Routine Items—approved by unanimous roll call or regular vote: to approve the agenda as amended; to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2021 regular meeting and the March 31, 2021 special meeting; to approve April warrants in the amount of \$279,196.87 and broken down as follows: County Revenue Fund—\$86,458.82, Long Term Capital Outlay—\$3,320.50, County Building Fund—\$458.94, Road and Bridge Fund—\$40,822.27, Waste Abatement/SCORE—\$3,079.00, Landfill Enterprise Fund—\$145,057.34; adjournment.

Personnel Items—ap-

proved by unanimous roll call or regular vote: to approve the following seasonal workers pending successful completion of all hiring requirements: Teresa Deutchman, Tyler Zieske, Nickolas Nolt, Robin Crosby, Trey LaCanne, Chance Elness, Tavion Ryker, and Dylan Serreyn; to accept the resignation from Jett Saewert, part-time Jailer/Dispatcher, effective March 31, 2021 with appropriate payout of benefits; to accept the resignation from Robert Egge, Solid Waste Technician, effective April 9, 2021 with appropriate payout of benefits; to post and advertise for the Solid Waste Technician position.

Additional Action Items—approved by unanimous roll call or regular vote: to approve the Home Initiative

—New Construction application and resolution 21-04-06A (Cartwright); to adopt resolution 21-04-06B "Resolution Calling for a Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Abatement for new Residential Project" (1902 Bud Road); to adopt resolution 21-04-06C "Resolution Calling for a Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Abatement for new Residential Project" (1904 Bud Road); to adopt resolution 21-04-06D "Resolution Calling for a Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Abatement for new Residential Project" (1972 Bud Road); to approve final payment of \$84,388.63 to Duinink, Inc. for Project 017-633-001; to accept low bid from R & G Construction Company in the amount of \$267,889.80 for Project 017-599-105; to accept low bid from Midwest Contracting, LLC, in

the amount of \$144,090.00 for Project 017-599-107; to amend resolution 21-03-16 by striking the amount of \$304,464.50 and inserting the amount of \$296,472.50; to approve the purchase of GPS survey equipment w/trade for \$30,486.45 from Frontier Precision; to recess as the County Board and to convene as the Ditch Authority; to set the Judicial Ditch #3 public hearing date for May 3, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. at the Law Enforcement Center; to accept the Engineers Report for JD #3 with amendments to dates and highway number on page 1 of report; to adjourn as the Ditch Authority and to reconvene as the County Board; to recognize the Telecommunicators Proclamation and declare the week of April 11-17, 2021 as National Public Safety Telecommunicators

Week; to approve the Conditional Use Permit from Red Rock Rural Water Systems for a Water Treatment Facility in Great Bend Township, Section 8 with conditions; to approve the Conditional Use Permit from Red Rock Quarry for a mining on nonmetallic minerals expansion in Amboy Township, Section 1 with conditions; to adopt resolution 21-04-06 Recognition Day for National Service Proclamation; to approve the Mt. Lake Golf Development Inc. liquor license renewal.

S/Donna Torkelson,
Auditor/Treasurer
S/Thomas D. Appel,
Board Chair
S/Kelly Thongvivong,
County Coordinator