## **Junior High Boys Basketball Action**

By Tina Skjoldal coach



In the huddle is Coach Dave Skjoldal with Colton Hellman #15, Easton Erickson #33, Hunter Orcutt #34, Reid Schneider #13, Adam Schneider #3, Uriyah Dakken #23, #12 Braxton Duppong, #34 Hunter Orcutt, and #3 Adam Schneider with Coach Tina Skjoldal. Photo by Shawn Dziuk.

January 26 the Bearcats headed to Taylor with 7 players: 7th grade team experiencing a surprise attack, as a press was ran against them right out of the chute. First time for everything. The 2 quarter game ended 11-12. Adam Schneider and Hunter Orcutt made 4 pts each with Uriyah Dakken adding 3. Dakken added 2 steals and 4 rebounds with Colton Hellman 1 steal and 2 rebounds. Braxton Duppong grabbed a steal and rebound with Orcutt bringing down 5 rebounds. Adam Schneider and Easton Erickson each pulling down a rebound.

The 8th grade game snuck by with a win of 41-38. R. Schneider swished 19 points, adding 11 rebounds, 3 steals.

Dakken made 4 shot of 5 making 8pts, pulling down 4 rebounds, 1 steal. Hellman 5 pts, 1 steal, 3 assists. Easton added 4 pts, 1 rebound, 3 assists. Orcutt with 2pts and A. Schneider swished a 3.

We hosted Hazen on 2-1. The 7th grade had a strong 1st half leading 12-10.



Pictured above is #23 Uriyah Dakken shooting free throw, and Reid Schneider #13 and Hunter Orcutt #34. Photo by Shawn Dziuk.

A. Schneider hitting 2-3's, 1-one 2 and 2 free throws with O'Donnell hitting 2 pts. We had a weak 3rd qt. left us adding a free throw by Duppong. Orcutt added 2 with Kaden Kuntz a free throw to end the game, 16-35. Assists: Duppong 2, Kuntz 1. Steals: Duppong 2, O'Donnell 2. Rebounds: A. Schneider 5, Orcutt 3, Duppong 2, Kuntz and O'Donnell each 1.

Hazen, showing no mercy, took the 8th grade game 26-40. In scoring Schneider led with 16, Dakken added 6 and Erickson added 4. Need more shot attempts by the team. Dakken was the lone steal this game and added 4 rebounds. R. Schneider had 13 rebounds. Erickson had 4 assists and 3 rebounds with Hellman adding 2 assist and 3 rebounds.

A busy week with the Holsteins headed our way the next day. Again a 2 quarter game as we only had 3-7th graders. Cats took the win 15-11. Dakken had 7pts, 1 assist, 3 steals, 5 rebounds. Orcutt threw in 5 pts, 1 steal, 1 rebound. Duppong adding 2 pts, 1 assist, 2 steals, 1 rebound. Kuntz hitting a free throw, a steal and 2 rebounds. Erickson had a rebound.

The 8th grade looked alot better this game with almost all scoring. R. Schneider 16 pts, 5 assists, 2 steals, 7 rebounds, 3 blocks. Hellman added 11 pts, 3 assists. Dakken had 8 pts, 3 steals, 5 rebounds. Erickson with 6 pts, 5 assists, 1 steal, 1 rebound. Duppong hit for 2 pts, 1 assist, 1 rebound.

Saturday we hit the road to the New Salem 8th grade tournament. We had a 7 man team that took on Grant County/Mott.Regent. R. Schneider scored 30 pts with Orcutt adding 4. Score: 8-9, 16-22,27-28, 34-40 Turn overs were not our friend this game but they kept working hard. This loss put us right back to the court to take on Holsteins for 3rd place with a win 40-26. Played nice team ball with less turn overs. Reid Schneider had 23 pts, Hellman added 8 pts, Dakken with 4 pts, Orcutt swished a 3 with Duppong adding 2 free throws. Assists: R. Schneider and Hellman each 1. Steals: R. Schneider 2, Dakken 1, Kuntz 1. Rebounds: R. Schneider 8, Dakken 4, Hellman 2, Duppong 1.

Coach Skjoldal said, "We received numerous comments from out of towners of how much the team has improved." Adding, "They have been working hard. "

## Moments with Mary by Mary Lou Peltz

Editor's note. I have had numerous requests to rerun the Moments with Mary column you have enjoyed for the past years. As she has left this world it was with permission from her family to rerun them. We will not change any of the wording and some of her references were from the time she was writing the articles.

It is noted that this column will come to an end within the next months because Mary passed away in March of 2019.

I have been a nurse for over 42 years and even. Still today I cannot understand why the medical profession continues to want us to chart the our patient "expired". That is so cold! When I was growing up death was referred to as "pass a way" or that they had just died.

Every time someone died on my shift I pictured a bar code and right above was an expiration date. That makes it sound like we go bad like outdated milk. Or just about anything now a days comes with an expiration date. In a way we do come with an expiration date stamped on us, the Bible tells us too, it is appointed for us once to die. Yet, because we know a lot of things are still good for awhile after the expiration date, maybe that works with God as well. So maybe once in awhile he lets a few of us stick around, past our expiration date. Interesting enough, milk or a lot of dairy things in the dairy case expire even before their date. So in our world, when some one dies young, maybe he just was wanted by God sooner then we wanted that person to go. I am so thankful I have not been assigned to check if people have expired. He knows when it is time for us to go, and I doubt He needs my help to tell Him that!

I am always saddened by people who die young and leave their children with out a Mom or a Dad. That always baffles me, from my stand point I would never have imagined what He was thinking. The point of the matter is that He does not have to give us a single explanation. Ideally we should all be living as if today was the day we were going to "expire". Sure we can hasten our death time by living our whole lives doing things knowing in the end it will harm us such as drinking in copious amounts, or smoking or chewing now we can add to the list,

a thing called vaping.

I have never seen a verse in the Bible that talks about us expiring, but as mentioned before, I will let the Bible tell us this "In as much as it is appointed for men to die once, and after this comes judgement. So Christ also, having been offered once to bear sins of many will appear a second time for salvation without reference to sin, to those who eagerly await Him". Hebrews 9: 27 and 28.

I truly believe that Jesus knew the exact details of His own death, but carried on until they killed Him. I hope all of you think about your "expiration" date and choose salvation!

## **District 36 Endorsing Convention held at Hebron**



Pictured above I-r: Desiree Van Oosting, Congressman Kelly Armstrong, Representative Dori Hauck, Ty Dressler

The District 36 Republicans conducted their Endorsing Convention on Saturday, January 27 in Hebron at the Hebron City Hall. One candidate was endorsed to fill the ND Senate seat and two candidates were endorsed for the two House seats.

Desiree Van Oosting lives in New Salem with her husband, Bill, of 25 years. Bill has two decades of experience in the coal industry and Desiree is the owner of a small health care business for 26 years.

Growing up on a dairy, beef and grain farm near Baldwin with parents who fought for the family farmer, Desiree will continue this fight. She will take with her to the ND Senate, the respect and value for human life from birth to death, health freedom, and a focus on property rights and tax relief.

Desiree understands the value of speaking up, standing up and making a difference. They look forward to this years ND State Convention.

Ty Dressler seeks one of the two District 36 seats in the House of Representatives. He lives in Richardton with his wife, Daneen, and they have three children. Ty is co-owner of a specialty crop processing operation. Working with 100 farms each year, he has an immediate connection to the importance of a positive ND agriculture industry along with whole ingredient commodity markets.

Ty is a strong advocate for animal agriculture. He is interested in property tax reform while ensuring strong schools across the entire state. Ty is an avid sportsman, Vikings fan and loves riding horse with his kids especially on the ranch with a job to do.

Dori Hauck received endorsement to serve her second term. Her husband, Doug, owns a business in Richardton and together they own and operate a ranch north of Hebron.

During the 68th Legislative Assembly, Dori served on the House Education and Transportation Committees. She currently serves on the Education and Agriculture & Natural Resources interim committees. Dori will continue to support private property rights, Second Amendment rights, building on ND's successful agriculture and business climate, and supports educators who focus on high standards in reading, math and critical thinking.

Several state candidates were also in attendance to share their message for North Dakota and ask for support at the upcoming ND State Convention in Fargo on April 5-6. Congressman Kelly Armstrong has announced his bid for ND Governor. He addressed the attendees of the District 36 Endorsing Convention stating it was good to be home. Congressman Armstrong stated he will continue to build on the successes in the coal, oil

and agriculture industries that feed our state's economic climate.

Randy Christmann is seeking another term with the Public Service Commission. Shane Goettle seeks to be the ND Republican National Committee Man and Lori Hinz is seeking another term as National Committee Woman. Jim Bartlett is collecting signatures to challenge incumbent Kirsten Baesler, Department of Public Instruction.

Representative Gary Kreidt served District 33 for 20 years. Due to redistricting in 2022, he represented District 36 this last session. His expertise in the long term care industry and his dedication to supporting ND as a member of the Appropriations Committee will be missed. Representative Kreidt announced his retirement from public service and we thank him for his two decades of representing his district and the citizens of ND.

Senator Jay Elkin was elected to the ND Senate for District 36 in 2019. His decades of service through the Stark County commission and to the State of ND through agriculture board memberships has served ND well. Senator Elkin recently announced he was not seeking another term in the ND Senate. Thank you for your time supporting ND industry, agriculture and education.



## NOTICE of LOAD RESTRICTIONS MORTON COUNTY, ND

Load Restrictions have been placed on all county paved roadways in Morton County. Gravel roads will be restricted as needed. Load Restriction map can be viewed at www.mortonnd.org/maps. Restrictions are in effect as of 7:00 AM, February 6th, 2024 and enforced by the North Dakota State Patrol. The maximum weights are as follows:

All paved Morton County Roads will have a 6 ton/axle, 80,000 lb. max restriction except:

County Rte. 139: from State Hwy 49, west to I-94, and from ADM Elevator west to the County Line, 7 ton/axle, 105,500 lb. max.

County Rte. 139: from East Entrance Southwest Grain, New Salem, west to County Rte. 85,

From West City Limits of Glen Ullin south to State Hwy 49, County Rte. 85: New Salem from I-94 south to County Rte. 139, from County Rte. 139 south to Feland Redimix Plant, County Rte. 139: from intersection of County Rte. 88, west to S 5th Street, from S 5th Street, west to City Limits, from intersection of County Rte. 88 and South Avenue (Glen Ullin) east to State Hwy 49, 41st Street (Glen Ullin Stockman's Weight Association from intersection of County Rte. 139 west to end of pavement. County Rte. 84 (Flasher Main Street) from State Hwy 21, south to end of pavement, 25 mph Speed Limit, 105,500 lb. max.

County Rte. 90 (Hebron) from intersection of Elm St. & Washington Ave, north on Elm Street to intersection of Summit Avenue, east on Summit Avenue to the end of pavement, 80,000 lbs.

County Rte. 139 from I-94 north to the ADM Elevator, County Rte. 140 from State Highway 1806 to State Hwy 25, County Rte. 90: (Brickmaker Expressway, Hebron) from I-94, north to west city limits, Main St. (Hebron) from west city limits east to intersection of Elm St., north on Elm St. to intersection of Washington Ave., 105,500 lbs. year round.

Fort Rice St. (Main Street) from State Highway 1806 east to end of pavement, Fort Rice Boat Dock from State Hwy 1806, east to Missouri River, Weinberger Drive S. from State Hwy 6 east, south and west back to State Hwy 6, 65,000 lbs.

Weights in Subdivisions: 65,000 lbs

By order of Morton County Commissioners - Dawn Rhone, Morton County Auditor