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PREP TRACK AND FIELD

Quick change leads to elite finish for Spartans' James

BY JAMEY MALCOMB
 Duluth News Tribune

SUPERIOR — Superior's Darrel James wasn't happy at Saturday at the Wisconsin Division 1 state track meet.

The Spartans senior qualified for the state meet last year, but didn't compete because of an injury and he didn't want to miss out on his final — and only — chance to compete in Madison.

"I was already nervous because I missed it last year," James said. "When I was on my blocks, I couldn't get my footing right. I was already nervous — my hands were shaky, legs were kind of wobbly — but I just had to go because everybody

was already on their block."

James qualified for the final, but his time of 11.04 seconds was unlikely to be competitive in the finals.

Coach Kris Leopold could tell something was wrong and so he left the stands during the time between the preliminaries and the final. Leopold said James's starts haven't been "the best" this season, so he started looking at the blocks.

"I said let's try a couple things, measure this and set the blocks up a little different," Leopold said. "The angle of the back block was the problem, because he wasn't touching the top of the pad. He was pushing off to the

left — he's so freaking strong, he would take off and go to the left of the lane because the right leg was pushing off and his left leg couldn't put the power to the block."

James took a couple of practice starts and told Leopold it felt better.

"In my mind I was thinking, 'this could be really good or it could be really bad,'" Leopold said. "I didn't let him know that, I wanted to show him that I'm confident he's going to crush it and I told him 'Darrel, that's the best start I've ever seen you do,' and it was."

James exploded out of the blocks and down the track. He didn't win, but he finished with a new personal and Superior

school record of 10.90 seconds and he finished fourth in the state, .13 seconds behind Elijah Brown of Tomah.

The finish is even more remarkable because James only started running competitively last season following a chance meeting with Leopold.

"I played soccer my whole life, but having that switch was new to me," James said. "I had speed in soccer, but I didn't know I was that fast. I met Leo at the YMCA, he told me to come out to practices. I ran my first race and won — it was just game-changing."



Jed Carlson / Superior Telegram
 Superior's Darrel James, left, edges out Cloquet's Jordan Aultman to win a Lake Superior Conference title in the 100-meter dash on Tuesday afternoon, May 16 in Superior.

PREP TRACK & FIELD

Final push

Local athletes compete at WIAA state track meet

STAFF REPORTS

A total of four Douglas County athletes scored at the Wisconsin state track meet on Saturday, June 3 at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

Solon Springs/Northwood's Dylan Taggart, a junior, earned three points for his team with a sixth place finish in the Division 3 800 meters. He

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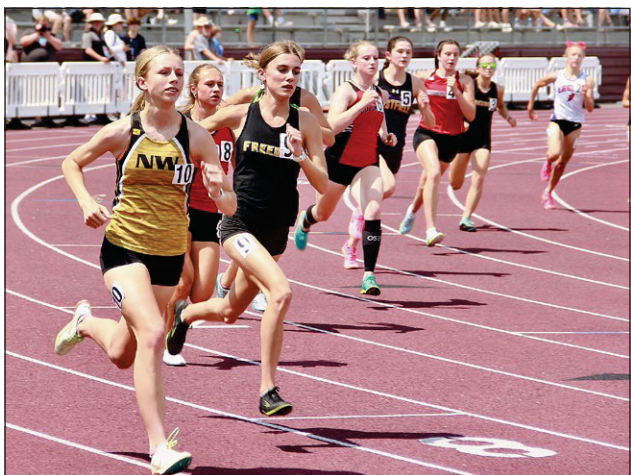


Photo courtesy of Shannon Hursh
 Northwestern's Jenna Hursh, left, competes in the 800 meter run at the WIAA State Meet in La Crosse on Friday, June 2, 2023.

PREP BASEBALL

Washburn edges N/SS

STAFF REPORTS

WEBSTER, Wis. — The Green Eagles suffered a painful 3-2 loss to Washburn to end their season in a WIAA Division 4 baseball sectional semifinal on Tuesday, June 6.

In need of a run to extend their season in the top of the seventh inning, Northwood/Solon

Springs got the first two runners on when Dylan Taggart wore a 1-1 pitch and Abe Ahlberg walked, but Jared Schultz lined to third base and Taggart was doubled off. Two walks, one intentional, loaded the bases but Isaiah Ahlberg hit a comebacker to the mound, and

EDGES on B4



Jed Carlson / File / Superior Telegram
 Northwood/Solon Springs' Abe Ahlberg (21) makes a throw to first base during the Green Eagles game with Clear Lake in Minong on Monday, April 24. Ahlberg was one of four Green Eagles to get a hit against Washburn in their 3-2 sectional semifinal loss on Tuesday, June 6.

PREP SOFTBALL



Jed Carlson / Superior Telegram
 Superior's Indigo Fish holds Louie the Lion during softball practice at the NBC Spartan Sports Complex on Monday afternoon, June 5. Louie lives in Fish's back pocket during the game and will make his second trip to the WIAA State Tournament when the Spartans play on Thursday.

WHERE SUPERIOR GOES, 'LOUIE THE LION' FOLLOWS

Beanie Baby tags along with first baseman Fish

BY JAMES MALCOMB
 Duluth News Tribune

SUPERIOR

When she went to McDonald's at 21st and Tower in Superior more than two years ago, Superior senior Indigo Fish wasn't looking for a lucky charm.

The Spartans had a doubleheader and after the first game there was a big break. Fish, Haley Zembo and several of the Spartans went to get lunch at McDonald's.

Fish ordered a Chicken McNugget Happy Meal and the toy inside was a Beanie Baby named "Louie the Lion."

"We just thought it was cute and funny," Fish said. "I just thought it was a joke — it made peo-



Jed Carlson / Superior Telegram
 Louie the Lion is along for the ride as Superior's Indigo Fish makes a play on a throw to first base during the Spartans game with Menomonie in Superior in April. Louie lives in Fish's back pocket during the game and will make his second trip to the WIAA State Tournament when the Spartans play on Thursday.

ple laugh and get a kick out of it." For the later game, Fish

tucked Louie in her back pocket with just his head sticking out and the Spar-

tans won. Not one to mess

LOUIE on B5

PREP SOFTBALL

BACK-TO-BACK SECTIONAL CHAMPS

Spartans beat SPASH 1-0, punch ticket to state

STAFF REPORTS

MARSHFIELD, Wis. — The Superior softball team will go from a softball diamond on the grounds of Madison Elementary School to a softball diamond on the grounds of a Madison university, namely the University of Wisconsin after scratching out a 1-0 victory over Stevens Point Area in a Division 1 sectional final on June 1.

The game was a rematch of the 2022 sectional final, won by the Spartans in a rout, but this one was a nailbiter. The teams had combined for four singles and no runs over the first six innings before Gabbi Saari delivered a one-out walkoff single with the bases loaded to win the game.

"It was a great feeling last year and it's a great feeling this year," Superior coach Mike Sather said.

Sather was relieved to see his team avoid SPASH's bid for revenge, but the contest might have been a little closer than it looked, as Haley Zembo struck out 12, had a no-hitter going for 5 innings and allowed one ball to be hit out of the infield.

"Obviously, she pitched a great game. She was in control the whole time," Sather said.

The top of the seventh got a little nervous after leadoff hitter Mikah Keller reached on an infield error and was sacrificed over to second base, but Zembo mowed down the next two hitters.

Melania Luostari drew a leadoff walk. Those often portend good things for the team batting, but Indigo Fish capitalized, chopping the ball down the third-base line deep enough that there was no play. After a sacrifice bunt and intentional

walk, the mantle of heroism landed on Gabbi Saari, who put the bat on the ball. Her grounder was mishandled, but the play was deep enough to the shortstop's right that she would have had no play for one out, much less the two SPASH needed to save the game.

The Spartans' talent has been undeniable through an undefeated (25-0) season thus far, but this time it was not one of the five players on their roster hitting above .400 who came through, not that Saari (.373 average) is a slouch.

"We actually have a lot of talent all the way up and down the lineup, so it was good to see someone different," Sather said.

McDonnell Central Catholic 8, Northwood/Solon Springs 0

Northwood/Solon Springs' tournament trail



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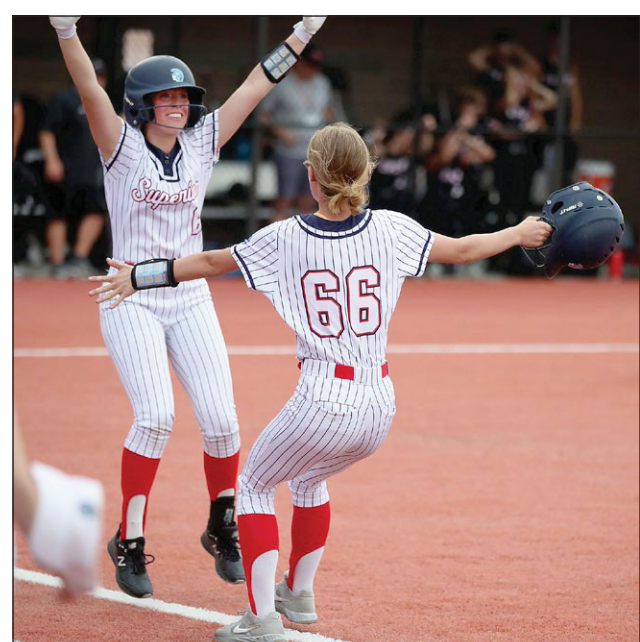
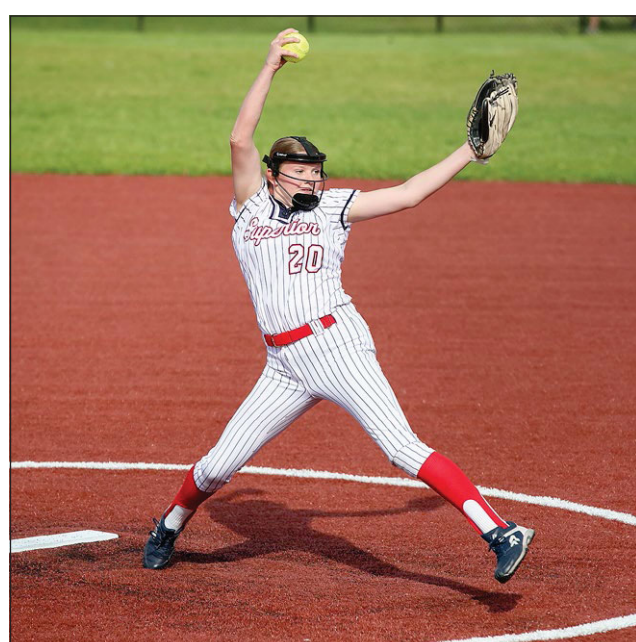
Superior's Ari Robillard (3) holds up the ball after tagging out Stevens Point's Jordan Roth (41) while she was trying to steal a base in the sixth inning of the sectional championship game at Madison Field in Marshfield on Thursday, June 1. Robillard left the game early due to a thumb injury, but re-entered to finish out the Spartans' 1-0 victory.

came to an end on June 1, as McDonnell Central Catholic pitcher Katie Ruf held them to a single hit in their WIAA Divi-

sion 5 sectional final in Athens, Wisconsin.

McDonnell scored in its first three at-bats, which was more than enough

for Ruf, who allowed six walks, but just one single to Kelsey Schultz with two outs in the sixth inning.



Left: Superior's Haley Zembo (20) fires a pitch in the second inning of the sectional championship game with Stevens Point at Madison Field in Marshfield on Thursday, June 1. The Spartans won the game 1-0. Right: Superior's Gabbi Saari (66) runs to hug Alayna DeGraef (6) after Saari knocked in the game winning run in the bottom of the seventh inning of the sectional championship game with Stevens Point at Madison Field in Marshfield.

Superior's Gabbi Saari (66) puts the ball in play to knock in the game winning run in the bottom of the seventh inning of the Sectional Championship game with Stevens Point at Madison Field in Marshfield on Thursday, June 1. The Spartans won the game 1-0.

Spartan Student Athlete of the Week

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Darrel James

Grade: 12

Sport: Track & Field

This week's stats: James ran a personal best 10.90 seconds for a fourth place finish in the 100 meter dash at the state track meet in La Crosse.



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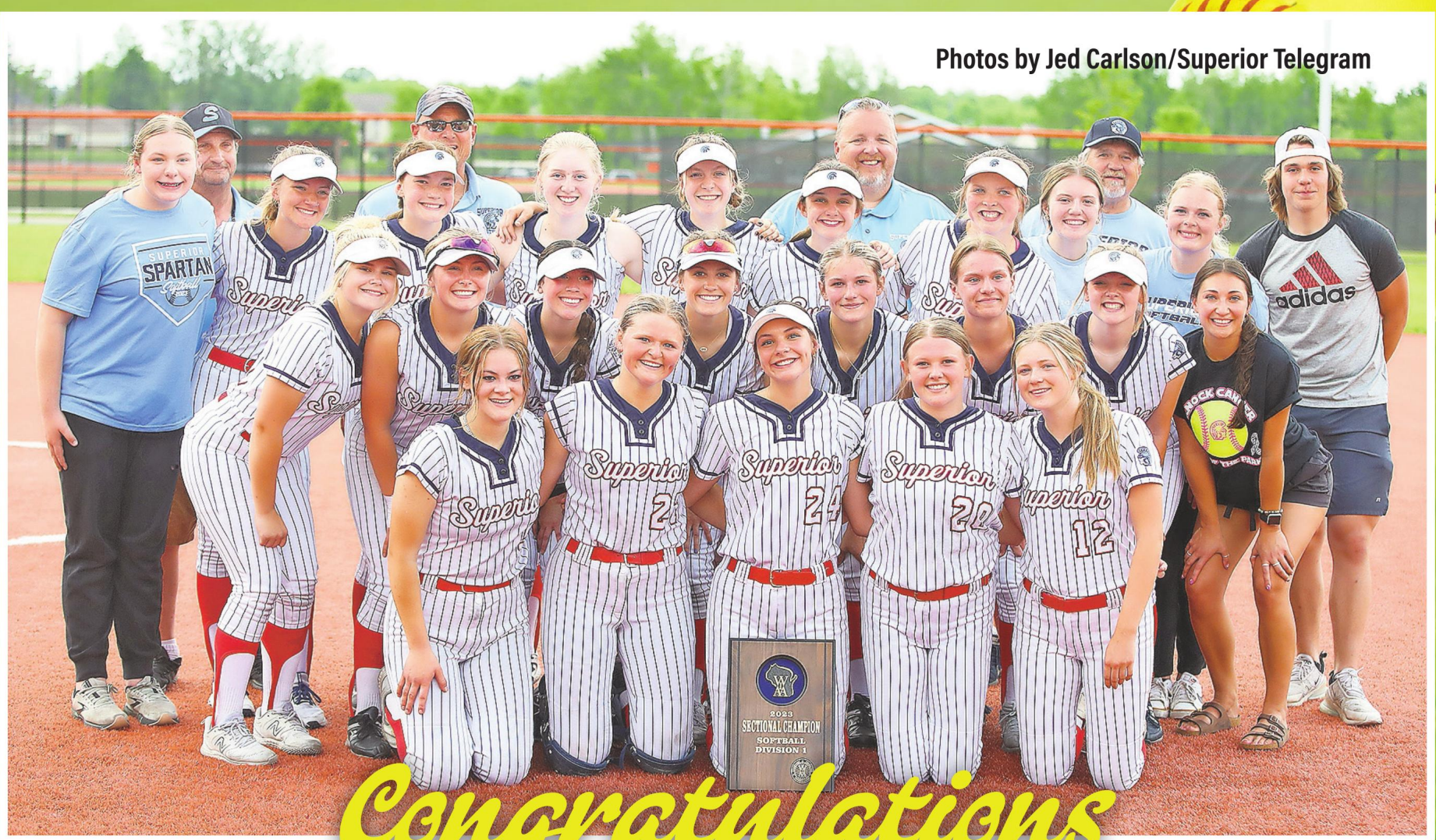
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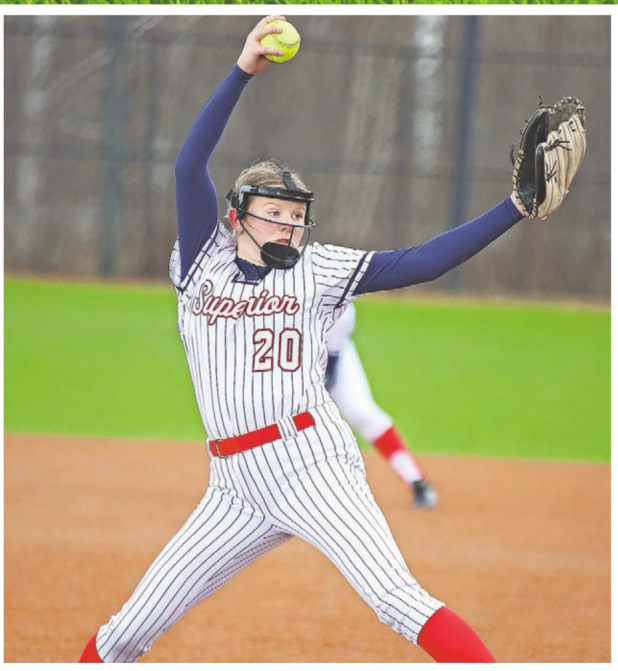
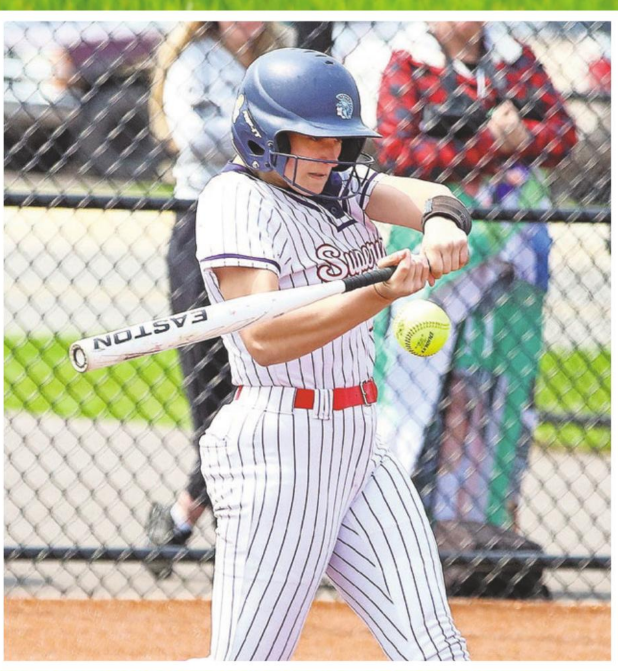
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| 4 | Avery Visger | INF OF | 2024 |
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| 11 | Ally Zembo | P 1B OF | 2024 |
| 12 | Grace Hansen | INF OF | 2023 |
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| 17 | Keira Corbett | 3B OF | 2024 |
| 20 | Haley Zembo | P 2B | 2023 |
| 21 | Tara Stratton | C INF | 2025 |
| 22 | Mattie Schilling | P 1B OF | 2025 |
| 24 | Ava Stratton | INF OF | 2023 |
| 25 | Paige B Johnson | OF | 2025 |
| 27 | Emma Raye | C SS | 2023 |
| 29 | Emma Lampton | P INF | 2025 |
| 33 | Melania Luostari | 1B 3B OF | 2025 |
| 66 | Gabbi Saari | OF | 2024 |

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VOLLEYBALL

Wisconsin wraps up stay in Turkey

BY DENNIS PUNZEL
The Wisconsin State Journal

ISTANBUL, Turkey — It all started with some late night scrolling on Twitter and the next thing you know, Nigel Hayes-Davis had his own personal rooting section for a big basketball playoff game on Monday.

And then the former University of Wisconsin men's basketball great was hanging out with the Badgers volleyball team outside the fabled Blue Mosque and the Grand Bazaar and then joining them for lunch.

Just one big multi-generational Badgers family.

Hayes said he just happened to be scrolling through Twitter in the early morning hours one day last week when he saw that the UWBadgers account had retweeted the UW volleyball account that said the team was coming to Istanbul.

That set everything in motion.

"I thought to myself that we have this Badger connection that all graduates and alumni are proud of," Hayes-Davis said. "So I was like I wouldn't be a real Badger if I didn't invite them to my game."

So he texted Marc VandeWettering, the UW men's basketball director of operations, to get a contact person with the volleyball program. He reached out to Jess Williams, VandeWettering's volleyball counterpart, and from that point on it was just a matter of working out a bunch of details. The toughest one was coming up with 45 tickets at the last moment for one of the biggest games of the season for Hayes-Davis's Fenerbahce Beko team.

The volleyball team ran

a little behind in its schedule after starting the day with a tough five-set victory, and then got caught in the seemingly perpetually jammed Istanbul traffic on the way to Ulker Sports Arena and didn't arrive until halftime.

Hayes-Davis kept an eye out for them even as he competed against his team's biggest rival, Anadolu Efes.

"I spent the first quarter looking for them," he said. "I was like, 'Oh my gosh, I hope they got in.' I finally saw them so when the game was over I had to wave to them."

Hayes-Davis nearly pulled off a storybook ending as his team rallied from a big deficit and took the lead 90-89 when he stole the ball and drove downcourt for a dunk with 6 seconds left. But Anadolu Efes won the game on a buzzer beating 3-point shot.

"Almost a great ending for the Badger boy," he said. "But that's life, that's sports, that's why we play."

Hayes-Davis agreed to meet with the team for lunch on Tuesday and spent about an hour visiting with a mix of the UW entourage, which included senior associate athletic director and senior woman administrator Katie Smith, who was in charge of compliance during Hayes-Davis's playing career.

At lunch he sat at a table that included volleyball players Anna Smrek, Devyn Robinson, Sydney Reed and Temi Thomas-Ailara. It was an opportunity for them to get to know a student-athlete who was before their time and not really known to most of the team members.

"We got to know him a

little bit, asking him questions about his experience in Turkey," Smrek said.

"He told us how he speaks six different languages fluently, which is really cool. I learned that he speaks Croatian. My mom is Croatian, so we talked a little Croatian. Everybody got to know him a little bit, which was really nice."

Robinson liked hearing about his experiences playing overseas, something she hopes to do after her UW career ends.

"I feel like I learned a lot about living in a different country," Robinson said. "You can just kind of tell who is a Badger and who is not. Once a Badger, always a Badger. No matter how far out it is, you always have that family."

While the players didn't know who he was until now, team manager Brynn Teeling was a big fan of Hayes-Davis and the Badgers. While growing up in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Teeling won her class's NCAA Tournament prediction pool in 2015 by picking Duke and UW to meet in the championship game.

"I watched a lot of Duke basketball with my dad while growing up, so I picked Duke," she said.

"But I've always been a Wisconsin fan forever so I put Wisconsin in the final as well. No one else in my class did because I'm from Iowa and everybody there hates Wisconsin. So I won it."

And Tuesday she got to meet one of the people responsible for that and pose with him for a photo.

"It was like going full circle," she said. "He's very easy to talk to."

Franklin surgery

Redshirt junior outside hitter Sarah Franklin did not make the trip to Europe with the team and

her absence was explained publicly by the team Tuesday:

"Sarah Franklin recently had surgery due to blood clots associated with Quadrilateral Space Syndrome. She is not traveling with the team as she focuses on her recovery. She is out for an undetermined period of time."

In retweeting that announcement, coach Kelly Sheffield wrote, "So much to be thankful for: Sarah has been an inspiration to us all."

Franklin will be a red-shirt junior in the fall and is from Lake Worth, Florida. She led the Badgers with 3.51 kills per set in her first season with the program after transferring from Michigan State and was named a third-team All-American by the American Volleyball Coaches Association. The six-rotation outside hitter also averaged 1.79 digs per set and had double-figure kills in 23 matches, topping 20 kills three times.

As former Badger setter Lauren Carlini was making plans to likely return to Madison as a professional, her successor at the position, Sydney Hillery, will be heading into the heart of former enemy territory.

Omaha's team in the Pro Volleyball Federation announced the signing of Hilley to be its setter when the league begins operations in 2024.

Carlini signed with League One Volleyball (LOVB), a rival league that is targeting a start in early 2025.

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Solon Springs/Northwood's Cade Lisson, left, Owen Dickenson, center, and Dylan Taggart pose together at the WIAA State Meet in La Crosse.

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ran a 1:59.12 in a race dominated by J.J. Williams of Glenwood City, who won by 3.1 seconds.

SS/N sophomore Cade Lisson notched an eighth place finish in the 400, running 51.62 from Lane 10 to nab his team's fifth point of the meet. Isaac Dickenson ran eighth in the 3,200 on Friday, June 2, then finished 11th in the 1,600 on Saturday.

Superior sprinter Darrel James had the best finish among county athletes, finishing fourth in the 100 meters with a time of 10.90 seconds.

In Division 2, North-

western senior pole vaulter Ian Kalin cleared the opening height of 12 feet, but no more, and finished 15th.

On Friday, Superior sophomore Tayler McMeekin was 18th in a field of 23 in the Division 1 1,600 meters, running 5:07.68. Senior Mckenzi Branley finished 19th in the long jump, marking 16 feet, 7 1/2 inches.

SHS high jumper Josephine Hanson cleared the opening height (4-foot-10) and no more in the Division 1 final.

Northwestern's Jenna Hurch competed in the Division 2 800 meters, finishing 13th in 2:25.57.

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the pitcher made the play to finish off the game.

The Green Eagles scored first, when Schultz's sacrifice fly scored Taggart in the first inning, but fell behind when the Castle Guards scored twice in the bottom of the fourth. Kaden Corlett tied it up on an RBI single in the next

half-inning but Washburn took the lead again in the fifth frame after a pair of two-out singles.

Four Green Eagles had one single apiece. Schultz took the loss in relief, allowing one run on three hits in 1 innings. Taggart started and allowed two runs on four hits in 3 innings.



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NATIONAL SPORTS

Jaguars unveil plans on multibillion dollar stadium renovations

The Jacksonville Jaguars introduced designs Wednesday for multibillion dollar renovations on and around their 28-year-old stadium which are intended to transform TIAA Bank Field into a team-titled “Stadium of the Future.”

Jaguars owner Shad Khan and team brass first embarked on renovation conversations three years ago.

The Jaguars want to, in part, expand seating from the current 62,000 to 71,500, include a shaded canopy to reduce the heat factor by 70%, and widen their main concourse to four times the size of the current one.

The team also wants to develop land around the stadium to convert the area into a year-round draw to downtown, a venue that attracts festivals, concerts and other sports, including international soccer matches and college basketball.

The Jaguars did not disclose proposed costs of the project, which was reported this week to be as much as \$2.068 billion.

The entire project, if approved by the city and the team, could take two

or four years to complete. A two-year plan would require the Jaguars to play their home games somewhere else, whereas a four-year plan would allow them to play at TIAA Bank Field.

Field Level Media

Bills sign former Viking cornerback Dantzler

The Bills signed Cameron Dantzler to a one-year deal Wednesday and cut fellow cornerback Tyler McMichael.

Dantzler, 24, was a third-round pick by Minnesota in 2020 and played in 35 games (26 starts) for the Vikings.

The Washington Commanders claimed him off waivers from the Vikings in March but released him last week.

Dantzler tallied 149 tackles, 17 passes defended, three interceptions and three forced fumbles for Minnesota.

McMichael, 23, was signed to Buffalo’s practice squad in September 2022 and signed a reserve/future contract in January.

Undrafted out of North Carolina, McMichael has not appeared in an NFL game.

Field Level Media

LOUIE

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with a good thing, Fish has kept Louie in her back pocket in every Spartan game since — a stretch where they’ve lost just three games the last two seasons and they are heading into their second straight state tournament, with a perfect 25-0 record.

“Ever since she’s done it, I feel like we’ve had good luck with it,” fellow senior Emma Raye said.

Raye, the Spartans catcher and a Northwest-ern commit, and Fish have developed an uncanny connection and Louie could well serve as a warning to opposing baserunners. Raye is regularly able to throw out runners straying too far off first base, including a game-ending pick-off in the WIAA regional semifinal last year.

“Indigo kind of knows when it’s coming,” Raye said. “She’s the only first baseman that really anticipates when my ball is coming down to first. She knows my range really well, so when they do stray off, she knows it’s coming. She’s good at getting the tag down to get those runners out.”

That is, if there are any baserunners. Zembo has allowed one hit or less in eight games this season, half of which are no-hitters. She was particularly effective in the regional final against Stevens Point Area June 1 when she allowed one hit and struck out 12 over seven innings in a 1-0 win.

Zembo, Fish and Raye have been playing together on one team or another for years, starting with their 10-and-under teams. The girls have worked



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Superior’s Indigo Fish looks up after diving back to first base as Louie the Lion goes along for the ride during the Spartans game with Menomonie in April.

and played together, gone to school together and Louie’s become a bit of a symbol for the team they’ve built at Superior.

“We’re together all the time,” Zembo said. “When you look at it, it brings back memories and shows that we have a bigger connection off the field... We’re not forced to be together — we want to be together, no matter where we are.”

Sophomore Ari Robillard said she didn’t realize Fish was playing with Louie in her back pocket for the first three or four games last season, but the stuffed lion has come to represent the Spartans and is a reflection of Fish’s personality and its impact on the team.

“It totally encompasses her personality,” Robillard said. “She just has the kind of personality where you never really know what to expect.”

Typically quiet, Robil-

lard said Fish has a sarcastic sense of humor and you never know when a wry comment is just around the corner.

“Anything that she does say, you’re just like, ‘OK, yeah, I can see that,’” Robillard said.

Fish plans to play softball at Wisconsin-Superior next year and said she’s not sure if she will continue to play with Louie in her back pocket.

Raye, however, thinks — depending on what happens in Madison later this week — Louie could find a new home in the Spartans’ trophy case.

“We have to,” Raye said of the idea.

The Spartans are headed to their second straight state tournament as the second seed, but just getting there won’t be enough this year.

“Last year was more of an accomplishment just to get to state,” Raye said. “We won a game and that

in itself was huge, because when was the last time Superior went to state? But now this year, going undefeated and making it to state again, I feel like we have to go all the way this time having that experience underneath our belt and knowing what to expect down there.”

Zembo said she’s excited for a second chance to play at the state tournament, but is she nervous?

“A lot of people ask me if I’m nervous and I’m not nervous at all because I have confidence that we’re going to do well,” Zembo said. “I think when I get there, the first pitch will be nervous, but after that I’ll be fine.”

The Spartans will face Menomonee Falls in the WIAA Division 1 quarterfinal at 8 a.m. Thursday at Goodman Diamond in Madison.

PREP PLAYOFF SCHEDULE

BASEBALL

Wisconsin Division 1 Regional Semifinal Tuesday, May 30
No. 4 Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln 4, No. 13 Superior 3

Division 2 Regional First Round Thursday, May 25
No. 4 Northwestern 15, No. 13 Amery 1

Regional Semifinal Tuesday, May 30
No. 5 St. Croix Central 4, No. 4 Northwestern 3

Division 4 Regional Semifinal Tuesday, May 30
No. 1 Northwood/Solon Springs 8, No. 9 Bruce 1

Regional Final Wednesday, May 31
No. 1 Northwood/Solon Springs 9, No. 4 Birchwood/Winter 4

Sectional Semifinal Tuesday, June 6 At Webster
No. 2 Washburn 3, No. 1 Northwood/Solon Springs 2
SOFTBALL

WISCONSIN

Division 1 Regional Final Thursday, May 25
No. 1 Superior 11, No. 9 River Falls 0

Sectional Semifinals Tuesday, May 30
No. 1 Superior 3, No. 4 D.C. Everest 0

Sectional Final Thursday, June 1 At Marshfield
No. 1 Superior 1, No. 2 Stevens Point Area 0

STATE TOURNAMENT

At Goodman Diamond, Madison

Division 1 Quarterfinals Thursday, June 8*

No. 2 Superior vs. No. 7 Menomonee Falls, 8 a.m.
No. 3 Oshkosh West vs. No. 6 Sun Prairie East, 10 a.m.
No. 1 Kaukauna vs. No. 8 Waterford, noon
No. 4 Arrowhead vs. No. 5 Oak Creek, 2 p.m.

Semifinals

Friday, June 9
Superior-MF winner vs. West-SP East winner, 7 p.m.
Kaukauna-Waterford winner vs. Arrowhead-Oak Creek winner, 9 p.m.

Championship Saturday, June 10
Semifinal winners, 6:30 p.m.

Division 3 Regional Semifinals Tuesday, May 23

No. 1 Northwestern 9, No. 8 Barron 1

Regional Final Thursday, May 25

No. 5 Somerset 2, No. 1 Northwestern 1 (9 innings)

Division 5 Regional Semifinals Tuesday, May 23

No. 2 Northwood/Solon Springs 26, No. 7 Birchwood/Winter 0

Regional Final Thursday, May 25

No. 2 Northwood/Solon Springs 2, No. 3 Mellen 1

Sectional Semifinals Tuesday, May 30

No. 2 Northwood/Solon Springs 12, No. 1 Drummond 2

Sectional Final Thursday, June 1 At Athens

No. 1 McDonell Catholic 8, No. 2 Northwood/Solon Springs 0

Lake Superior Sea Dogs open season with win

GLIDDEN, Wis. — Jake Lewis showed up ready for the opening of the Lake Superior Sea Dogs open season with win

Sea Dogs’ season in the Upper 13 League on Sunday striking out 17 Glidden Orioles as the Sea Dogs won their season opener 9-6.

Lewis allowed one run on five hits and walked only two. He left with Lake Superior leading 3-1 and adding to its lead with a six-run eighth inning on six hits, including a two-run single from Ian Bergstrom and a two-run double by Corbin Taylor.

Glidden recorded five in its own right in the bottom half of the inning, taking advantage of wild relief pitching.

Eric Hinnenkamp had three of Lake Superior’s 14 hits, while Taavi Mattson, Alex Busick, Bergstrom and Nik Mattson had two-hit games.

Lake Superior (1-0) will play Hibbing in a non-league game on Saturday

SPORTS BRIEFS



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Northwestern’s Angela Brinker (24) runs past head coach Scott Janigo during the Tigers game with Barron in Brule in May. Janigo will coach a Division 2/3 Team in the 2023 Wisconsin Fastpitch Softball Coaches Association’s Senior All Star Games.

afternoon (1:30 p.m.) at Morrie Arnovich Field in Superior.

Athletes, coaches picked for All Star games

SUPERIOR — Several local athletes and one coach have been selected to participate in the the

2023 Wisconsin Fastpitch Softball Coaches Association’s Senior All Star Games.

Scott Janigo, Northwestern softball coach, will helm the Division 2/3 Black Team on Tuesday, June 13 in Wisconsin Dells.

Superior’s Indigo Fish,

Emma Raye and Haley Zembo will play on the Division 1 Gray Team, coached by Kurt Mussy of Milton.

Bailey Monson of Northwood/Solon Springs will play on the Division 4/5 White Team, coached by Becky Baier of Elmwood/Plum City.

THIS WEEK IN SPORTS

Friday, June 9

Baseball MLB
Twins at Toronto, 6:07 p.m. (Bally Sports North and KDAL-FM 103.9/AM 610)
Oakland at Brewers, 7:10 p.m. (WNXR-FM 107.3)
Northwoods League
Huskies at Thunder Bay, 6:35 p.m.

Basketball WNBA
Indiana at Lynx, 7 p.m. (Ion)

Saturday, June 10

Baseball MLB
Twins at Toronto, 2:07 p.m. (Bally Sports North and KDAL-FM 103.9/AM 610)
Oakland at Brewers, 3:10 p.m. (WNXR-FM 107.3)
Northwoods League
La Crosse at Huskies, 5:05 p.m.

Soccer MLS
Minnesota United at Montreal, 6:30 p.m. (Apple TV)

NPSL
La Crosse Aris at Duluth FC, 7 p.m.
UPSL Women’s
Superior City FC at Granite City FC, 7 p.m.

Sunday, June 11

Auto Racing NASCAR Cup
Toyota/Save Mart 350 at Sonoma, Calif., 2:30 p.m. (KQDS Ch. 21)

Baseball MLB
Twins at Toronto, 12:37 p.m. (Bally Sports North and KDAL-FM 103.9/AM 610)
Oakland at Brewers, 1:10 p.m. (WNXR-FM 107.3)

Northwoods League
La Crosse at Huskies, 3:05 p.m.

Basketball WNBA

Los Angeles at Lynx, 6 p.m. (Bally Sports North)

Soccer UPSL Men’s
Superior City at Minneapolis City, 7 p.m.
Monday, June 12 Baseball Northwoods League
Rochester at Huskies, 6:35 p.m.

Tuesday, June 13

Baseball MLB
Brewers at Twins, 6:40 p.m. (Bally Sports North, KDAL-FM 103.9/AM 610 and WNXR-FM 107.3 FM)

Northwoods League
Rochester at Huskies, 6:35 p.m.

Wednesday, June 14

June 14

Baseball MLB
Brewers at Twins, 12:10 p.m. (Bally Sports North, KDAL-FM 103.9/AM 610 and WNXR-FM 107.3)

Thursday, June 15

Baseball MLB
Detroit at Twins, 6:10 p.m. (Bally Sports North and KDAL-FM 103.9/AM 610)
Northwoods League
Huskies at Eau Claire, 6:35 p.m.

Friday, June 16

Baseball

MLB
Detroit at Twins, 7:10 p.m. (Bally Sports North and KDAL-FM 103.9/AM 610)
Pittsburgh at Brewers, 7:10 p.m. (WNXR-FM 107.3)

Northwoods League
Huskies at Eau Claire, 7:05 p.m.

Basketball WNBA
Lynx at Los Angeles, 9 p.m. (Ion)

NORTHERN PINES

Thursday Men’s League June 9
Scramble AA: Maki/Polkoski, 26.5; Hipsheer/Reijo, 22.5; Matke/Hackman, 21; Mackey/Clark, 18.5; Santikko/Forsythe, 17.5; Tykkila/Johnson/Jardine, 15; Mott/Furtak, 14.5; Dunphy/Dunphy, 8.5
Low scores: Maki/Polkoski, 32; Matke/Hackman, 34; Mackey/Clark, 35
Scramble A - Early: Peck/Kulig, 28; Luoma/Shaffer, 27; Johnson/Johnson, 21.5; Helenius/Olson, 20.5; Roode/Roode/Wiegand, 19.5; Kinney/Tanula, 19.5; Beard/Grandlund, 13.5; Berge/Boggess,

12; Goetsch/Goetsch, 7; Shaffer/Shaffer, 5.5.
Low scores: Kinney/Crosby, 35; Helenius/Olson, 36.
Scramble A-Late: Birch/Kavajecz, 26; Lind/Graff/Graff, 24.5; Weyand/Forsythe/Forsythe, 21.5; Olson/Jardine, 20.5; Clemmer/Wiese, 19.5; Moniot/Holmes, 16.5; Klobucher/Gregerson, 16; O’Connell/Robinson, 11; Olson/Stegmann, 10.5; Harnish/Schneeberger/Kellen, 8.
Low scores: Graff/Graff, 35; Klobucher/Gregerson, 36.
Events: Long putt on no. 8 - Butch Shaffer; long drive on no. 9 - Nolan Graff.
On the green winners: Jerry Peck, Tim Clark, Paul Luoma, Adam Stegmann.

Skins: Polkoski/Maki (2), Clemmer/Wiese.
Tuesday Morning Ladies Green Dreamers League
Low net of handicap: 1st flight, Karen Helenius and Pam Hendricks, 36; 2nd flight, Rozie Maki, 36; 3rd flight, Maggie Bare, 32; 4th flight, Sandy Galer and Leta Finucane, 35.
Low gross scores: Danielle Rautio, 43; Pam Hendricks, 46; Karen Helenius, 47; Eleanor Munson, 48.
Thursday Men’s League May 25
Scramble AA: Maki/Polkoski, 17.5; Mackey/Clark, 15.5; Tykkila/Johnson/Jardine, 13; Hipsheer/Reijo, 12.5; Matke/

Hackman, 12.5; Mott/Furtak, 11; Santikko/Forsythe, 8.5; Dunphy/Dunphy, 5.5.
Low scores: Matke/Hackman, 35; Mott/Furtak, 36; Maki/Polkoski, 36.
Scramble A - Early: Luoma/Shaffer, 17; Peck/Kulig, 16; Roode/Roode/Wiegand, 15; Helenius/Olson, 13; Johnson/Johnson, 13; Kinney/Tanula, 11; Beard/Grandlund, 10; Berge/Boggess, 10; Goetsch/Goetsch, 7; Shaffer/Shaffer, 2.
Low scores: Roode/Rheaume, 36; Peck/Kulig, 36.
Scramble A-Late: Birch/Kavajecz, 17.5; Olson/Jardine, 17; Lind/Graff, 16; Weyand/Forsythe/Forsythe, 13; Klobucher/Gregerson, 12.5; Clemmer/Wiese, 11.5; Harnish/Schneeberger/Kellen, 8; Moniot/

Holmes, 7.5; O’Connell/Robinson, 7; Olson/Stegmann, 7.
Low scores: Olson/Jardine, 38; Birch/Kavajecz, 38; Graff/Graff, 38.
Events: Closest to pin on no. 1, Mike Dunphy.
On the green winners: Mike Dunphy, Dan Kulig, Chris Maki, Darryl Helenius.
Skins: Mott/Furtak, Graff/Graff.

PATTISON PARK

Wednesday Night Couples League May 31
Standings: Christianson, 3; Wallin, Brian and Carrie, 3; Larson, 3; Sauter, 3; Bombich, 3; Olson, 3; Wallin, Scott

and Heather, 2.5; Wallin, John and Rita, 2.5; Paquette, 2.5; Kolodzeske/Koski, 2; Malpass, 2; Hubbard, 1; Hesselgraves, 1; Lundgren, 0.5; Ledin, 0.5; Kitter, 0.5; Hunter, 0; Broderson, 0; Bradley/Oavis, 0; Hunter/Morris, 0; Currie, 0; Munson, 0.
Top men: Scott Wallin, 35; Tom Ledin, 37; Brian Wallin, 37; Bill Hesselgrave, 39; Ed Willie, 39.
Top women: Morgan Morris, 41; Sue Bombich, 41; Kim Willie, 41; Nan Sauter, 45; Peggy Olson, 46.

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