

STATE BOUND

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game if you're not fired up already then there's nothing you can do to prepare."

Hoel's brother Dillon (TCHS 2012) knows what that level of intensity is, and he's excited for the team, especially his brother.

"The 2017 Warriors are a great group of guys. As someone who has had the pleasure of watching them grow up I am proud of each and every one of them. This group knows what it takes to win and have shown that all year. This season has been a special one thus far. Getting to compete in a State Championship is something that this team will remember forever. I hope they can finish on a high note and go out on top."

Dillon experienced state as a player, but is also enjoying the team's success as a fan.

"The last four years have been fun as a Warrior fan. It only made the experience that much more enjoyable that my brother was playing. Having family ties to the

team makes this season all that much more special. Watching Dalton play is something that I will always remember. He and his teammates have worked to put themselves in a great position, and I hope they capitalize on their opportunity. I am very proud of Dalton and the entire team for carrying on the proud tradition of Warrior football."

Dalton and Dillon's Dad Duff has had the privilege of coaching both in baseball and watching both sons now compete in a state championship game. As the game was finally in hand last Saturday Duff could finally breathe. He said, "As the final seconds ticked off the clock yesterday, admittedly there was a sense of relief that Dalton's only goal was one game away. There was also a sense of pride knowing that these young men that we have watched grow had worked hard to put themselves into a position of accomplishing something that will bind them forever."

As big as the accomplishment is though, Duff said boys will still be boys, "There has certainly been a little sibling rivalry in our household. In fact, I believe the first thing Dillon said to Dalton after we found him on the field yesterday was 'It's about time!'"

He continued with thoughts on the accomplishment, "We have truly been blessed to be able to share in these experiences with our boys and their teammates. We know how difficult this path is to travel as has been evidenced the last three seasons. Both of our boys have been fortunate to be surrounded by teammates each fall willing and able to make the commitment required to compete at a high level."

Tuscola will face an undefeated Lena-Winslow team who knocked off

defending 1A Champion Forreston last Saturday to earn their third trip to the championship game. Like Brown County, Carrollton and Athens, the teams Tuscola has defeated to get to state, Lena-Winslow enjoys their run game. Head Coach Ric Arand is in his 22nd season and has a .731 win percentage. He has taken his Panthers to two State Championship games and won them both. The first was in 2010 against the Tuscola Warriors.

While Tuscola Head Coach Andy Romine is just in his third season at the helm, he's no stranger to state championship games, serving as an assistant coach on the 2009, 2010, and 2011 teams. Defensive Coach Ted Minger also served on those staffs. Pat Pierce has been on every single championship game coaching staff since 2006.

Phillip Meyer has helped coach the offensive side of the team for the past three seasons, and he was the quarterback on several state teams. After the semi final victory, Coach Meyer gave his perspective on coaching versus playing.

"It's such a honor to be back, after playing here. It's such an honor to coach these kids. It's a little different as a coach, but the feeling is still the same. We're going back to state, and I'm so proud of these kids."

T.J. Onstott joined the coaching staff this season. He

too played for multiple teams that played in the championship game. Onstott also gets the privilege of earning state as a player and now a coach and he has enjoyed both.

"Every year is different. I think each group has its individual identity, but for these kids, the amount of work they've put in off the field is nice to see as a coach. As a player you don't necessarily see the whole big picture. To now see the other side of it and how it comes together, it's pretty special. To rank them (player versus coach), I can't because it's so different, but it's definitely pretty special."

Duff Hoel knows what it takes to coach high school players.

"If a coach can get everyone to buy into his plan, the next most important aspect of building a winning program is raising the expectations. Expectations for football in Tuscola are sky high. Youngsters walk the halls of North Ward and East Prairie talking about when they will get to play in a State Championship game. I'll never forget after Dillon's last game (2011 State Championship game), we were sitting around the hospitality tent awaiting arrival of the players. I asked sixth grader Dalton if he thought he'd ever get a chance to play for a State Championship like his brother. He looked at me like that was the silliest question I had ever asked him and replied 'of course.' I guess he knew what he was talking about."

Coach Romine reminded the players last Saturday that it's taken a lot of work by a lot of people to get them to this opportunity.

"We haven't done this since 2011, and I'll tell you this, we've got a lot of kids who've put in a lot of work that deserve this feeling every year. You wanna know why I'm so hard on you? Because it's fun now. We are so proud of your effort. It wasn't easy, but guess what, you're playing in a state semi final and it's not going to be easy. We're going to enjoy the hell out of tonight and there's two charter buses leaving for Dekalb at 2 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day, and we're going to enjoy turkey on the turf."

Ray Kerkhoff (TCHS 2016) played on the 2013 team that lost in the semi finals as well as the 2014 and 2015 teams that were knocked out of the playoffs early. He's one of those play-

ers that helped get the 2017 team to the level they are at now and one of those that Romine and others referred to as deserving.

"Having played with most of the guys on the team and knowing how hard they and the coaches work, it's safe to say that if anybody deserves it it would be them. Knowing from personal experience how hard it is to get through the playoffs I am very proud that the organization that I and so many of my former teammates work so hard for, gets to play at this stage."

The team will head to DeKalb on Thursday afternoon for the 10 a.m. game on Friday, Nov. 24. Fans wanting to make the trip can purchase tickets for \$10 each at the high school office from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday and Tuesday.

Information on accommodations and other details can be found on the IHSA website at <http://www.ihsa.org/Sports-Activities/BoysFootball.aspx>. NBC sports Chicago will televise the games. Local channels are: MediaCom 732, DirecTV 665 and Dish-Network 429. The NFHS network will also be live streaming the game on the internet at <http://www.nfhsnet.com/associations/ihsa>.

For those traveling to DeKalb, fan parking is on the west side of the stadium near the Spirit Zone, which is located on the corner of Stadium Drive. Prior to the game, there is an IHSA Hospitality and Entertainment tent with coffee, hot chocolate, popcorn and kids games, which will be located near Tuscola's assigned Warrior tent. PowWows members and anyone else wanting to help decorate the inside of the tent are welcome! Decorating will start at 7:30 a.m. Friday morning. Any help as well as any black and gold decorations are appreciated! There is a spirit contest between all schools for best-decorated tent. Judging for Tuscola's tent will begin at 9 a.m. right before stadium gates are

opened. PowWow's looks forward to all of the community's help and support to make this State Championship experience a memorable one!

Tuscola IGA, Tuscola Moose, Gould Bus Service, and the football parents will be hosting a free post game tailgate for all fans at Huskie Stadium. The tailgate will be at Tuscola's assigned tent immediately following the trophy presentation after the game in the Spirit Zone. Hamburgers, hot dogs, pork-chops, chips, desserts and drinks will be provided at the tailgate. The team will attend to the tailgate to eat and see all of the fans.

There will also be a reception at the high school gymnasium when the team returns to Tuscola estimated between 4:30-5:30 p.m. on Friday.

The Tuscola faithful showed up en masse last Saturday for the semi final at Athens, and it doesn't go unnoticed. Coach Romine wants the town to know that he's really happy that "our" kids have this opportunity, but he also has immense praise for the fans.

"Our town is so unbelievable. I know there's a lot of great towns out there, but for my money we take second to no one. All they (Tuscolians) want to see is people who work really hard for their kids and give them a chance to succeed. And for that I'm proud of our kids for taking advantage of the opportunity given to them."

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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DOUGLAS COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: NORMA JEAN ALDRIDGE, Deceased, NO. 17-P-22

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION FOR CLAIMS

Notice is given to claimants of the death of NORMA JEAN ALDRIDGE, on January 17, 2017 at Sullivan, Moultrie County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on November 1, 2017 to ALONNA G. DUKEMAN as Executor, whose attorney is Robert M. Finch, FINCH LAW OFFICE, 2203 Combes Street, Urbana, Illinois, 61801.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court at the Douglas County Courthouse, Tuscola, Illinois, on or before May 20, 2018, or three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of a copy of this Notice, whichever is later, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. A copy of any claim filed with the Clerk should be mailed or delivered to the Executor of the Estate or to the Attorney for the Executor.

LEGAL NOTICE

CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DOUGLAS COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: LOIS F. NORTHWAY, DECEASED. No. 17-P-48

NOTICE OF DEATH AND CLAIM PERIOD

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the death of Lois F. Northway. Letters of office were issued on November 1, 2017 to the legal representatives of the Estate whose names and addresses are as follows:

Delbert D. Northway
305 North Elizabeth, Apt. 1
Tolono, IL 61880
David A. Northway
209 West Vine
Beecher City, IL 62414

The name and address of the Attorney for the legal representatives is as follows:

James D. Lee
Attorney for Independent Co-Executors
606 South Main Street
P.O. Box 317
Tuscola, IL 61953

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Douglas County, Illinois in the Douglas County Courthouse, Tuscola, Illinois, or with the legal representative, or both, on or before May 16, 2018 being six (6) months from the date of the first publication of the this notice. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the legal representatives and to the Attorney for the legal representatives within 10 days after it has been filed. DELBERT D. NORTHWAY DAVID A. NORTHWAY Independent Co-Executors of the Estate of LOIS F. NORTHWAY, Deceased.

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