



WARRIOR SENIOR Haven Hatfield spins in preparation of throwing the discus on Friday night. Hatfield, who is in his first year of high school track, finished second in the event with a throw of 43.07 meters. *Photo by Daniel L. Chamness.*



TUSCOLA FRESHMAN Rylie Vanausdoll (front) leads a pack of runners in the 3,200-meter relay at the Tuscola Invitational. While the relay did not finish in the top six, the Lady Warrior would return later to finish third in the 800-meter run. She finished the middle distance race in 2 minutes, 41.36 seconds. *Photo by Daniel L. Chamness.*

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sports and other school activities but said the drama students “deserve a performance space they can be proud of.”

She said the stage area has not seen an investment from the school district since 1958. Upgrades including sound equipment have been paid for by the drama department, she said.

She said the back curtains on the stage are held in place with zip ties and half of the electrical system doesn't work. She noted that storage for the department is accessible only by ladder and that costumes donated by citizens have been “ruined by mice, bugs and discoloration.” She added that the roof over the stage has leaked causing additional damage.

Senior Caleb Haste spoke in

favor of theater upgrades. He said the drama department has to take a back seat to all other school activities. Rehearsals have been disrupted by activities in the gym; he said he has been at the school till 10 p.m. since the department had to make way for other activities earlier in the evening.

Matt Boyer also spoke in favor of upgrading the theater department. He said theater is

“well supported by the community; it needs to be supported by the district.” He suggested using some of the \$15 million the district has bonded for facility upgrades for the stage. He added that he thinks it's important to the mental health of students “to have an outlet, a place to call your own. It's extremely important.”

He said when a new gym floor, track and upgrades to the

football field were needed, “nobody had to beg. ... Please invest in our arts and your students.”

In other business, the School Board approved a memorandum of understanding with the teacher's union to make a part-time speech position full time. Alexander said it would amount to 10 additional days for the teacher this school year.

Megan Peters was hired as East Prairie cheerleading

coach; Bridget Dicks was hired as a paraprofessional at East Prairie. Resignations were accepted from Beth Pugh, East Prairie teacher and coach, and Athena Lareau as National Honor Society sponsor.

One donation was accepted: \$100 from Ta'Carbon for East Prairie Fun Day.

The Board also approved seeking bids for fencing at North Ward Grade School.

PUZZLES

CLUES ACROSS

1. North American people
6. Chinese surname
10. Fit in at the last minute
14. “Very” in musical terminology
15. Underwater displays
17. Crosby's bandmates
19. Belong to he
20. Informed about the latest trends (archaic)
21. Sequences of alternating turns
22. Genus of grasses
23. Satisfy
24. Petty quarrel
26. Made level
29. Ruler of Iran
31. Historical region of Syria
32. Food suitable for babies
34. Something to lend
35. Zone of oceanic trenches
37. Philippine island
38. Domesticated animal
39. Plant of the lily family
40. Bluish green
41. ___ Tomei, actress
43. Without (French)
45. Lilly and Manning are two
46. Apply pressure to
47. Divide in half
49. Bad deed
50. Don't know when yet
53. Hollywood's greatest honor
57. Aiming to exhort
58. Faked

59. A way to pierce
60. Midway between northeast and east
61. Points

CLUES DOWN

1. Chop up
2. ___ Spumante (Italian wine)
3. Egyptian goddess
4. Split pulses
5. Afflict
6. Type of area rug
7. Tide
8. Affirmative
9. Sudden change
10. One picked
11. Debauched man
12. Stiff bristles
13. Famous arena
16. Established rules and methods
18. Injection
22. Father
23. Protein-rich liquids
24. He delivers gifts
25. Advanced degree
27. Fencing swords
28. Chinese mountain range
29. Shaft horsepower (abbr.)
30. Precursor to hemoglobin
31. Much ___ about nothing
33. Compound fabric (abbr.)
35. A way to act slowly on
36. Ottoman military commanders
37. Popular kids' network

39. Hard compound
42. Sympathize with
43. Northeast college
44. Blood group
46. Frosted
47. Turn away
48. Benefit
49. Dry or withered

50. Bangladeshi monetary unit
51. Reproduced
52. Contributes
53. Thrust horse power (abbr.)
54. Wear
55. Promotes retention of water (abbr.)
56. Very small

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HOROSCOPES

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, a mild feeling of discontent has you searching for new projects. There may be something that has been on your to-do list, but you can't seem to figure it out right now.
TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
A lot of things are keeping you on your toes, Taurus. There's a good chance you have been craving some quiet time. Find a retreat and stay there for a couple of days.
GEMINI - May 22/June 21
There are no obstacles in your way on the path to success this week, Gemini. If you have been holding off on big plans, now is the time to push things into action.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, aligning your goals with others is a surefire way to get things accomplished. You can deviate onto your own course when action is established.
LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, take a moment and be sure a goal you're pursuing right now is really worth it. If finances are involved, you will likely have to pay it back in the near future.
VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 23
Virgo, collaboration could be key in the days ahead. Another person gets the ball rolling and now you can join in. Follow their lead and trust this person's judgment.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
So many voices are shouting at you from different directions, Libra. With so much advice coming your way, you may not know which way to turn. Mull it over a bit longer.
SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
Nothing is guaranteed, but taking a risk this week could pay off in a big way, Scorpio. Things are more likely to go your way this time of the month, so start moving!
SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Pay some extra attention to your life at home, Sagittarius. There are issues that can use a little attention. Letting them fester could lead to big problems.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
A hectic week is likely ahead of you, Capricorn. Things seemingly pop up out of nowhere and you have to figure out how to tackle them all. Try to delegate some of your tasks.
AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18
It's understandable that you want to make some waves right now, Aquarius. However, it may be better to aim for subtle ripples instead of a cannonball splash.
PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
Express your confident side at work and others will be inspired, Pisces. It's good to stray out of your comfort zone every so often.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS
APRIL 24
Kelly Clarkson, Singer (40)
APRIL 25
Al Pacino, Actor (82)
APRIL 26
Kevin James, Actor (57)
APRIL 27
Corey Seager, Athlete (28)
APRIL 28
Melanie Martinez, Singer (27)
APRIL 29
Michelle Pfeiffer, Actress (64)
APRIL 30
Gal Gadot, Actress (37)