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VILLA GROVE'S SCARLETT HOWARD runs in the Tuscola Classic on Sept. 16. Photo by Daniel L. Chamness and Moto Johnson.

By Tony Hooker

Girl's Golf

Cage Wolves

Ella Schweighart's 49 earned medalist honors and led the Blue Devils to a 238-256 win over Okaw Valley on September 14. Logan Lillard's 55 earned her second place for VGHS. Addie Wilson's 62 and Lila Thompson Burton's 72 rounded out team scoring.

Tie for Second at Tuscola

Ella Schweighart fired a 47 to finish second at Tuscola on September 7th. Other scores for Villa Grove included Addie Wilson's 55, Logan Lillard's 60, and Lila Thompson Burton's 70, as the Blue Devils finished tied with the host Warriors.

Boy's Golf

Earn second at home match

Karder Kirkman's 51 led the Blue Devils to a second-place finish at their September 14 home meet at Tri City CC. Okaw Valley had the match's top 4 finishers to earn the win. Other Blue Devils who contributed to the team score included Jackson Smith's 52, Cole Price's 53, and Cooper Price's 59. James Nelson and Brody Sanders each carded 65's for the home team.

Finish fourth at Tuscola
Jackson Smith and Cole

Price fired 49's to lead the VG effort at Tuscola on September 7. Karder Kirkman's 53 and Cooper Price's 57 rounded out the Devil team's score.

Volleyball

Weather Storm

Jobella Crafton hammered down 10 kills and Logan Lillard put away 7 of her own as Villa Grove defeated Salt Fork 25-14, 25-19 on September 11. Kayln Cordes handed out 13 assists and Carly Eads dished out 10 of her own. Cordes led VG defensively with 12 digs and Alison Pangburn chipped in 8 digs of her own for VGVB.

Cage Timberwolves

Jobella Crafton had 9 kills and Alison Pangburn and Alexis Cassano powered down 5 of their own as Villa Grove defeated Okaw Valley 25-21, 25-21 on September 12. Carly Eads handed out 11 assists and Kayln Cordes passed out 7 to lead the offensive attack. Cordes surpassed 1000 career assists in the win. Defensively, Pangburn had 9 digs and Cordes and Hayden Thomas had 8 each to thwart the Timberwolf attack.

Boy's cross country

Run 4th at Uni high potluck meet

Kurt Zimmerman ran 6th overall to lead Villa Grove to a 5th place finish at the annual Uni High Potluck meet, run on the University of Illinois campus. Logan Hauersperger finished 15th, Eamon Reedy ran 39th, Ryan Schlueter finished in 42nd place and Andrew Fonner rounded out the team score by finishing 47th.

Finish 14th at Tuscola Invite

Kurt Zimmerman's 12th place finish led the way for the Blue Devils on September 16 at Tuscola. Logan Hauer-sperger finished 57th, Ryan Schlueter finished 104th, Eamon Reedy finished 112th, and Andrew Fonner ran 123rd for VGCC.

Girl's cross country

24th at Uni

Scarlett Howard finished 24th at the Uni High Potluck meet on September 14.

54th at Tuscola

Scarlett Howard, the lone VG girl's runner, finished 54th at Tuscola on September 16.

Football

Planked by Pirates

Cumberland used a punishing ground game to domi-

nate time of possession and grind out an 18-7 win over the Blue Devils on September 15. The Pirates had scoring drives of 8:18 and 8:31 to stake themselves to a 12-0 lead with 6:05 left in the first half. Mason Carter then provided a spark by returning the ensuing kickoff 30 yards to the Cumberland 40. Villa Grove then used a 32-yard pass from Layne Rund (5-10 for 81 yards and a TD, with 1 interception) to Braden Dowler to move deep into Pirate territory. A two-yard plunge by Gunner Cline (12 carries for 68 yards) moved the ball to the three, and then Rund, improvising under pressure scrambled to his right before finding Carter in the end zone for the TD. Sophia Shaw's extra point attempt flew true, making the score 12-7 with 3 minutes left in the half and the teams exchanged possessions before heading to the half time locker room. The Blue Devils then moved to ball to Cumberland's 18-yard line before turning the ball over on downs, with time running down in the 3rd. The Pirates then went on an epic, 17 play drive, killing over 11 minutes of clock time, culminating in a 9-yard TD run to set the final margin at 18-7. The Devils were led defensively by Jonathan Kiser, who had 16 tackles, including 1 tackle for loss. Parker Knierim had 10 stops, including 1 TFL, and Hunter Butts finished with 9 tackles and a seven-yard qb sack. Brady Clodfelder and Noah Wilcoxon each had 8 tackles, Zack Wells made 7 stops and Kyle Krause had 6 tackles and a qb sack.

Boy's Junior High cross country

Win home meet

Robert Mitsdarfer ran a 12:59, his first career effort under 13 minutes, to earn first place at the annual VGJH home meet, held in Camargo. Miles Swigart ran 3rd, Reece Vandeventer placed 5th and Emmett Mitsdarfer finished 6th for the Blue Devils. Ethan Vail, Thomas Linstead, Ethan Parr, Max Kneer, and Carter Leith finished 8th through 12th respectively.

Girl's Junior High cross country

Finish second at home meet

Julia Swigart finished 5th to lead VG to a runner up finish at their annual home meet on September 14. Avery Kamerer was 6th, Teaghan Henderson ran 8th, Adalyn Vail finished 9th and Rylyn Burris came in 10th for VGJH.

8th graders recognized at home CC meet

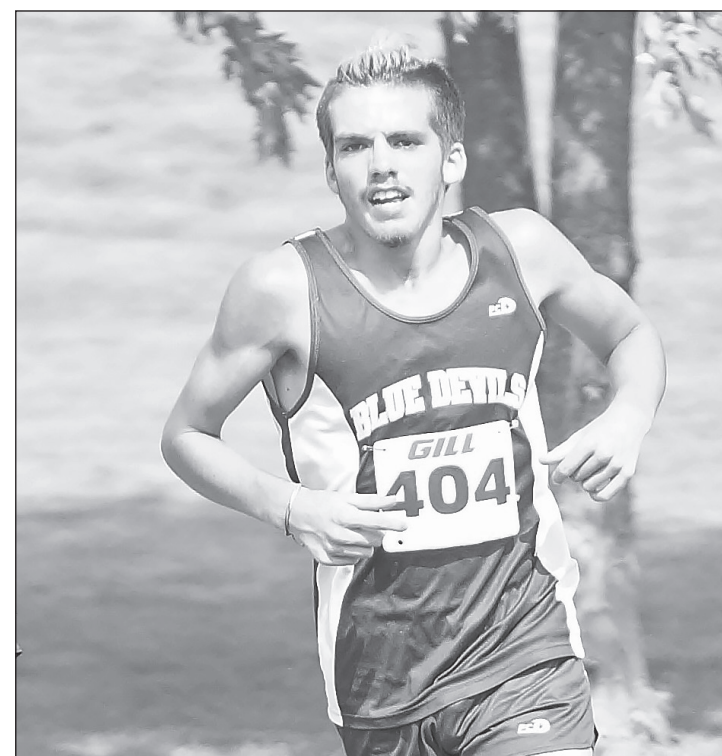
Wyatt Kamerer, son of Josh and Rebecca Kamerer

Max Kneer, son of Robert and Nicole Kneer

Carter Leith, son of Derek and Sarah Leith

Thomas Linstead, son of Glenn and Beth Linstead

Robert (RJ) Mitsdarfer, son of Charlie and Amanda Mitsdarfer



VILLA GROVE'S BLAKE DAVIS runs in the Tuscola Classic on Sept. 16. Photo by Daniel L. Chamness and Moto Johnson.



VILLA GROVE'S LOGAN HAUERSPERGER runs in the Tuscola Classic on Sept. 16. Photo by Daniel L. Chamness and Moto Johnson.

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