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Graduation 2014

'Best Day of my Life'

The Verona Area High School Class of 2014 celebrated the end of its run at VAHS Sunday afternoon in Epic's Voyager Hall. The class song was "Best Day of my Life" by American Authors.

Right, (from left) Santiago Azcarate-Henao, Jack Cioci, Nicholas Federspiel, Lucas Rakel and Taylor Watzke toss their caps for a photo.

Lower, Ryan Pynnonen receives his diploma and a handshake from superintendent Dean Gorrell. Sunflowers were on the screen and all over the stage as the class flower. Below, Madeleine Nelson receives a congratulatory hug.

Photos by **Scott Girard**

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City of Verona

Church gets OK to move

Sugar River could take over bowling alley by fall

JIM FEROLIE
Verona Press editor

As pastor Gary Holmes stood outside Verona City Center on Monday night and addressed a crowd of close to 80 cheerful members of Sugar River United Methodist Church, he succinctly summed up the church's journey through the city permitting process over the past two months.

"It was easy," he said. "I thought it was going to be hard."

Essentially, that "hurdle," as he called it – not the last, but certainly the most crucial – had been cleared a month earlier, when six alders expressed support for the 10-year-old institution to move into a bowling alley on West Verona Avenue.

But you couldn't have told that to the standing-room-only crowd inside the council chambers.

This time, instead of the whoops and cheers they had bestowed on alders the first time around, they politely clapped for the 5-1 decision, perhaps sensing a need to be less effusive after having heard a week earlier from bowlers mourning the loss of yet another decades-old old-town Verona landmark.

Ald. Evan Touchett (Dist.

4), who professed to have spent his share of time at Wildcat Lanes – the former Kamm Bowl – said he had wrestled with the choice the city faced. He also lamented the eventual loss of yet another breakfast option but insisted that all the evidence pointed to the closure of the business one way or another, with the receiver of the property, part of a bankruptcy case, unable to market it as a bowling alley.

"I will support this decision," he said. "But it hurts. It's hard."

Fellow District 4 alder Heather Reekie was as close to the opposite view as it got, voting against the move because of its conflict with the city's new downtown plan but saying she was nonetheless glad to be in the minority.

"I'm happy that it's going to pass," she said.

She and three other alders who had turned the council upside-down last year by defeating incumbents had all campaigned partially on doing more for the city's downtown. So it was no surprise they and others expressed the same ambivalence members of the Plan Commission had last week even while also voting 5-1 in favor.

But ultimately, the sales pitch about building community at each meeting, the aggressive display of solidarity by churchgoers in recent weeks and the surprisingly sleepy economy of West

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Holding on to Hold 'em dreams

Verona grad considers move to restart online poker career

SETH JOVAAG
Verona Press correspondent

By his mid 20s, Verona native Tony Nardi had parlayed his passion for online poker into a full-time job.

The Texas Hold 'Em aficionado and 2004 Verona

Area High School graduate had used his winnings to buy a house on Madison's west side and was earning an average of \$60,000 annually. He often played 12 hours a day on his home computer, honing his game under his online handle, D1rtyR1v3r.

"He's an amazing player," said Steve Verrett, director of the Wisconsin Poker Players Alliance. "He's regarded by many as one of the best online players in the world; he's at that high a level."

These days, Nardi, now

28, is working for his older brother's lawn care and snow removal business in Verona. He still plays poker a couple nights a week by driving to area bars or to the electronic poker tables of

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Above, Lexi StremLOW looks for tadpoles in her net. Below, students Bella Becker, left, and Gracie Parker “cut the ribbon” while Tristan Alvanos looks on.

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Whalen pond

The Verona Area School District and Verona Public Works department came together Friday, June 6, to celebrate the progress of the Whalen Pond Laboratory. Representatives from the Madison Community Foundation, which funded the project, were also on hand to celebrate. Glacier Edge teacher Liz Penner said students have been “inspirational” with their questions and curiosity about the outdoors. Classes have been using the pond for the school year, but signage and other features have continually been added.

Photos by Scott Girard

A group of children are gathered around a yellow ribbon, using scissors to cut it. They are all smiling and looking at the ribbon. The background shows more children and a grassy area.

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The Verona Area High School yearbook club won another award this year for excellence. Members include (front) Olivia Lilly; (second row, from left) Kelli Krueger, Madelyn Vogel, Cailynn Hensen, Bailey Bruisker, Kate Nagel and Jacob Kellen; (third row, from left) Bethany Burton, Amanda Holman, Sarah Guy, Nicole Noltemeyer, Megan Lee, Amanda Guzman, Claire Goldbin and adviser Rita Mortenson; (fourth row, from left) Maria Egle, Taylor Amato, Leah Sinner, Shannon Reilly, Samantha Kolpek, Julianna Cruz; (not pictured) Joselyn Connelly and Felicia Retrum.

VAHS yearbook wins national publishing award

Verona Area High School’s yearbook staff took home an award for its 2013-14 edition. Jostens, which produces VAHS’ yearbook and many others around the country, named the VAHS program a “National Yearbook Program of Excellence.” Adviser Rita Mortenson said in an email she was “so proud of the students and all of their hard work.” “This yearbook class runs like a professional business with deadlines, advertising, graphic design and more,” Mortenson wrote. “The students have worked so hard

all year on making sure we had a beautiful book that everyone would love to see and that we were proud to produce.” The yearbook had to meet outlined criteria in three categories to receive the award, according to a press release from Jostens. The categories were creating an inclusive yearbook, generating school engagement and successfully managing the creation process. “Jostens believes passionately in the importance of the yearbook tradition connecting every student to the school story and

the school year and we are honored to recognize these yearbook programs,” said Mike Wolf, director of yearbook marketing for Jostens, in a press release.” The National Yearbook Program of Excellence recognizes schools that embrace the yearbook tradition and have built a yearbook program that serves the entire school community. The program will receive a plaque and a banner to display celebrating the award.

City of Verona

Street rehab program will wait for next year

JIM FEROLIE
Unified Newspaper Group

If you were expecting your street to be torn up this summer, you’ve got another year to wait. The Common Council decided unanimously Monday with minimal comment to reject the lone bid from its half-million-dollar street rehabilitation program that came in \$64,000 higher than expected. As a result, the city will bid out two years’ worth of street projects together next year.

City engineer Bob Gundlach explained to the public works committee earlier in the evening that concrete prices had skyrocketed since the state Department of Transportation announced bid winners for the \$150 million Verona Road project. So city staff plan to request bids shortly after the budget is approved this fall, leaving more subcontractors available. It was also suggested that the bigger, combined project – estimated at about \$1.2 million – would entice more contractors to bid.

City public works director Ron Rieder said city crews will still do their standard surface treatments, like chip sealing. **Library board** The council confirmed without discussion the mayor’s appointment of Cristin Napier to the Library Board. Napier, an Epic employee since 2002 with two young children, had suggested at the public hearing for the 2014 budget that the library finance increased staff through donations, rather than city funds.

Lincoln road work

The Lincoln Street reconstruction project, which is replacing a culvert, won’t prevent travel during Hometown Days this week, but it could make on-street parking more difficult during the festival.

Photo by Jim Ferolie



Poker: Nardi watched dad play poker at family events

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Ho-Chunk Gaming in Madison. Next month, he plans to travel to Las Vegas to try his hand at the World Series of Poker, the game’s biggest event. But Nardi still hopes to return to online poker – even if it’s not legal in the United States. “I want to get back to doing what I’m good at,” he said. Like hundreds of thousands of other players, Nardi was shocked when the federal government outlawed online poker in the United States on April 15, 2011 – a date known among poker fans as “Black Friday.” For Nardi, Black Friday ended a nearly seven-year run of playing online poker. “It’s been a big adjustment,” he said. **Rise of a star** Nardi’s experience with poker dates back to watching his dad, Mike Nardi, and uncles play “nickel-dime” stud poker at family get-togethers. He always loved card or strategy games and frequently played chess with his dad growing up. He first tried Texas Hold ‘Em in high school with friends. Nardi admits that high school was “a struggle.” He skipped a lot of classes, particularly his junior year, and

was generally “bored” in school. Meanwhile, poker clicked. He often watched tournaments on television and, like thousands of others, was hooked after seeing 27-year-old Tennessee amateur Chris Moneymaker – who’d cut his teeth playing online poker – turn \$39 into \$2.5 million by winning the 2003 World Series of Poker. Soon after, Nardi became part of what is known in poker circles as “The Moneymaker Effect.” He began playing poker online obsessively. After high school, and while living at home, he dropped out after three months at Madison Area Technical College because it was cutting into his poker time. “My parents weren’t too happy about that, to be honest,” Nardi said. One consequence: he had to start paying them rent. By the spring of 2005, Nardi had moved to a friend’s place in Monona and was playing “up to 15 hours a day.” He had amassed a nice pot of cash that allowed him to buy into more games. But he felt the end was near. He was about to start looking for full-time work when, one weekend, he won an astounding \$240,000 in three tournaments. “The first thing I did was call my parents,” he said. “It was six or seven in the morning. They could not believe it

either.” In hindsight, Nardi said he was too young to have that much money. “I went through a lot of growing pains with that money,” he said. “I lost a lot of it back into cash games, thinking I was better than I was.” **Still thinking big** But he kept at it. In early 2007, he took third in a big tournament, winning \$30,000. Within a few months, he’d turned that money into about \$250,000. This time, he cashed out a chunk of his winnings to make a down payment on a house. He settled into a routine of playing 12 hours a day, four or five days a week. By 2010, pokerfives.com ranked him the number 6 player in the world. The website says his total winnings – both online and in live games – now surpass \$4.4 million, though he estimates the total take-home pay for his career is probably between \$700,000 to \$800,000. Nardi’s trip to the World Series this June will be his seventh visit to poker’s biggest event. Beyond that, he’s not sure what the future holds. His house in Madison is up for sale, and once it sells, he might use the money to join poker-playing friends who have left America to play online poker in Mexico, Canada or Europe, where it is legal. (New Jersey, Nevada

and Delaware also allow it.) “I’ve thought about (doing that) since Day 1,” he said. Nardi said that while his parents were initially cool to his poker obsession, they are now supportive. Given all of his experience, quitting poker just isn’t in the cards, he said. “I’m really competitive and compulsive. I like to be good at something and finish it, and this is the kind of game that you can’t really ever finish. So it’s kind of got me.”



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Obituary

Leona E. Midthun



Leona E. Midthun

Leona E. Midthun, age 91 of Verona, WI, passed away peacefully with her family by her side on Wednesday, June 4, 2014, at Four Winds Manor in Verona. She was born on Feb. 15, 1923, in Paoli to Jacob and Elizabeth (Hefty) Duerst. She graduated from Belleville High School. On Sept. 1, 1946, she married Carlton Midthun. Carlton preceded her in death on April 25, 1996. She worked for many years in nursing at Badger Prairie until retiring at the age of 74. Leona had a nurturing, compassionate, and welcoming spirit and was

ahead of her time regarding many social and environmental issues. She enjoyed and was committed to her family and loved laughter and life.

Survivors include her children, Gary Midthun of Exeter Township, Marcia (Brian) Kiel of DeKalb, Ill., Dennis (Kimberly) Midthun of Evansville and Donna (Gordon) Malaise of Madison; her granddaughters, Sarah, Rachel and Madeline; her sisters-in-law, Arlene (Sherman) Lee of Menominee and Evelyne Midthun of Springdale Township; other relatives; and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her sister, Dorothea Erb; her half-brother, Delmar Naef; and many in-laws.

Funeral Services were held on Monday, June 9, 2014, at Springdale Lutheran Church, 2752 Town Hall Road, Springdale Township, with the Rev. Jeffrey Jacobs officiating. Burial followed at the church cemetery. The Ellestad Camacho Funeral Home, 500 N. 8th Street, Mt. Horeb, WI, is serving the family.

Leona’s family wishes to thank the staff at Four Winds Manor for their kind and compassionate care and friendship.

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Community Voices

Remember to make time for a break

One of the exciting things about being a resident of Verona is the sense of community that surrounds the events at the Verona Area High School.

I recently read in the Verona Press that the VAHS is ranked in the top 10 of high schools in the state of Wisconsin. And the athletic achievements of the school’s sports teams over the last decade are too many to mention.

Living in a fast-growing community with an abundance of school pride for its hometown Wildcats makes it easy for me to be a pastor who has a Bible under one arm and the local newspaper(s) under the other. In other words, living out the call to be a witness to Jesus in my community involves knowing what is going on in the lives of the people who make up that community and applying the Gospel message in relevant ways.

I was reading my second-favorite newspaper last month, the Wisconsin State Journal, and was intrigued by a quote by the VAHS girls softball coach, Todd Anderson, as he was interviewed for an article about the Wildcats trying to clinch the Big Eight Conference Title.

The game against Madison La Follette was suspended due to lightning and rain in the area on Monday, May 19. Asked by a WSJ reporter when the game might be rescheduled, Coach Anderson responded: “We may pick it up on Wednesday but that is something for the athletic directors to decide. Verona doesn’t play on Wednesdays because of church and family night. But we may pick it up on Wednesday.”

I don’t think I have heard or read a statement like that since



Peters

I graduated from high school in 1982.

The idea of having one night off a week for church and family seems so passe for our fast-paced society. Heck, even Sunday mornings are no longer off limits to scheduling all kinds of activities for our kids to participate in. The Church in Verona used to lease space in the former MAC Center for our Sunday morning service and had to compete for parking with the various volleyball and basketball tournaments that took place there on a regular basis.

I’m not suggesting that there should be a law prohibiting organized activities on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings. Americans are free to schedule their activities as they see fit and chose how they invest their time. That is one of the great benefits of living in a free country.

What I am suggesting is that there is a real benefit to taking a “Sabbath” one day (or at least one night) a week to spend as “church and family night,” as coach Anderson refers to it. Even if you’re not into the church thing or don’t have a family that you live with, a day of rest can do wonders for your disposition.

God thought so highly of the idea of a Sabbath that He put it in His Ten Commandments. Exodus 20: 8-10 doesn’t mince words or muddle the idea of rest: “Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns.

It’s been my experience that of all the Ten Commandments this one seems to get the most abuse. Maybe it’s because “rest” gets a bad rap in today’s quest to grasp the brass ring of success. Rest is just another word for laziness or

lack of productivity.

Nothing could be further from the truth. After all, if you happen to believe in the Creation narrative as found in Genesis, God created everything in six days and then rested. I wouldn’t say God is lazy, would you?

The beauty of the Fourth Commandment is that God created the Sabbath for us. He knows we need time to spend in fellowship with Him and with our friends and family. He knows that we need downtime in our busy lives to reflect on what is really important in the short time we have to live out our days on this earth in comparison to the eternity to come.

Moses put it this way in Psalm 90 verse 10: “Our days may come to seventy years, or eighty, if our strength endures; yet the best of them are but trouble and sorrow, for they quickly pass, and we fly away.” In the midst of the troubles and sorrows of life is the gift of the Sabbath. A time to take a deep breath and experience God’s enduring love for us that will surpass our temporary challenges in life.

As people who live in the times of the New Testament, Jesus is our Sabbath. He said in the Gospel of Matthew: “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.” Now, that is a promise I can rest on.

So the summer months are right around the corner. Maybe this will be the perfect opportunity to call a time out on the endless calendar of activities and take a Sabbath with friends and family.

May I be so bold as to ask you to invite Jesus into those gatherings and see if He won’t help you get the rest you need?

Thank you coach Anderson for reminding all of us that there is still a time and place for church and family night—at least in Verona.

Mike Peters is pastor of The Church in Verona.

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Professor Harold Hill tries to start up a boy band in Verona Area Community Theater’s production of “The Music Man,” which opens June 21 at the Verona Area High School Performing Arts Center.

VACT performs ‘The Music Man’

KIMBERLY WETHAL
Press Correspondent

From June 21-28, Verona will see a few extra trombones within the city limits. Seventy-six, to be exact. The Verona Area Community Theater will present its production of Meredith Wilson’s “The Music Man” at the Verona Area High School Performing Arts Center on June 21, 26, 27 and 28 at 7:30 p.m. each night, and a matinee performance on June 22 at 2 p.m. The Music Man, a musical about “Professor” Harold Hill (Gregory Reed) who comes to a city that is

If you go

What: VACT’s “The Music Man”
When: 7:30 p.m. June 21, 26, 27, 28; 2 p.m. June 22
Where: Verona Area High School Performing Arts Center
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Info: vact.org

very cautious when it comes to accepting strangers into their community and wants

to start up a boy’s band, was cast by Julie Murphy. There are approximately 80 Verona adults and children in the show. “There’s a lot of people working together to make this show happen,” Murphy said in a news release. “It has been so fun to see everyone come together and bring this musical to life. It’s one of those shows that so many people already love, and I am certain that VACT will not disappoint!” Other cast members include Sarah Johnson, who plays Marian Paroo, Tom Hensen as Mayor Shimm, Jacob Busher and

Arther Kooistra, who share the part of Winthrop, and James Listug as rival salesman Charlie Cowell. The musical will also include many of the classic songs like “Ya Got Trouble” and “Seventy-six Trombones.” Tickets can be purchased at the Verona Public Library on Mondays and Tuesdays from 4-6 p.m. or purchased through the VACT’s website vact.org. Tickets can be reserved by calling 845-2383, and cost \$15 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors. For more information, visit the VACT’s website.

Town of Verona

Heartland Farm Sanctuary looks to expand

Town also joining municipal court

SCOTT GIRARD
Unified Newspaper Group

Heartland Farm Sanctuary is looking to expand its operation in the Town of Verona. The company, which takes in abandoned animals and holds programs with children, filed a land use change petition with the town in early May. The town’s plan commission, however, has yet to make a recommendation as commissioners want to be sure they understand all the relevant information, said town administrator Amanda Arnold. The request includes a rezoning, certified survey map and a conditional use permit. Heartland executive director Dana Barre did not return an email or phone call seeking comment, but Arnold said the CUP is needed because of how much time the company plans to use on programming at the site.

If you go

What: Special Plan Commission meeting
When: Wednesday, June 18 (preliminary)
Where: Town Hall, 335 N. Nine Mound Road
Info: town.verona.wi.us

Municipal Court

The town is also in the process of joining the towns of Madison and Middleton in a municipal court. The board approved joining the court at its June 3 meeting, and the only remaining step is the Town

of Middleton’s approval, which Arnold said she expects sometime later this month. The court is a result of the town’s new contract with the Dane County Sheriff’s Department to have a deputy devote eight hours each week to the town specifically. “It’s going to enhance our ability to enforce our ordinances,” Arnold said. “We have enough issues, even just enough traffic issues, that we feel we need some coverage focused on the town.” Arnold said she hopes the court will get going later in the summer, if Middleton’s board gives the final approval.

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— Kimberly Wethal

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Last year, the Verona Public Library had record participation in its ever-growing summer reading programs, and library director Brian Simons expects that trend to continue, with plenty more to do and see this year, starting Thursday. Last year saw record participation in the program, with 2,171 kids and teens taking part. “That’s a significant portion of the school district,” he said. The library also hosted 33 special events with an attendance of 3,015, as well as 95 story times during the summer library program, with an attendance of 2,213. “This summer we expect it to be much like the previous year with attendance and participation,” Simons said.

The kids’ reading program (ages 3-11) keeps track of books read during the summer for coupons and prizes. The library also offers many free special events over the summer, like top children’s entertainers, storytimes, crafts and science workshops. Kids can participate by reading or being read to and writing down the titles of any books, magazines, comic books, or audio books they enjoy over the summer. Kids who are reading longer books may count every 50 pages as one book. Coupons are available any time the library is open from June 12-July 25 (and in August while supplies last). Grand prize winners will be contacted by phone on Thursday, July 24. Weekly prize winners will be called each Friday. For teens, there is a whole schedule of fun activities throughout

How to help

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the summer, including: “Crafty Tuesdays,” dart painting, theater games, movie-bashing and pizza, Henna Body Art, CSI Verona, Top Chef, anime and Manga club, and “I’m Board! Games.” The adult summer reading program, “Literary Elements,” runs from June 12 through July 25. Adults ages 18 and older can read and enter to win a new Kindle Fire tablet, donated by the Friends of the Verona Public Library. To enter, complete an entry form for each book you read or listen to between June 12 and July 25, and submit it at the reference desk. No other registration is needed. A drawing for the tablet will be held on July 28, and people need not be present to win.

The programs, which cost around \$9,000 per summer for the reading and events portions, are fully funded by the Friends of the Verona Public Library. Simons said the return, however, is significant. “The value of providing kids and teens a constructive place with activities to spend their summer only adds to the monetary return on investment,” her said. “I strongly encourage everyone to join the Friends of the Library, because without memberships and used book sales, they would not have the \$9,000 to spend on the summer library program.” For information, visit veronapubliclibrary.org, or call 845-7180. The Verona Public Library is located at 500 Silent St.

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New fire and EMS facility open house

An open house on the design of a new fire and EMS facility will be held on Wednesday, June 11 from 6:30-8 p.m. at the current fire station at 101 Lincoln St. The project architect and representatives of the city will present the station plans and be available to answer questions. The city is planning to start construction on the new station in July. This facility would house the City of Verona Fire Department and Fitch-Rona EMS.

Chat and Chew

The Verona Senior Center’s men’s and women’s group have formed a monthly speakers’ group. This month, Culver’s manager John Faber will talk about the restaurant and the partnership with the senior center at 9 a.m. on Friday, June 13.

Wisconsin Council for the Blind

The senior center will showcase various products in use by low-vision

adults at 12:30 p.m. Friday, June 13.

Library sleepover

Elementary-aged students and their parents or guardians are invited to spend the night the library at 7 p.m. Friday, June 13 for games, crafts and more. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Register online or by phone, limit 100 children.

Prairie Enthusiasts field trip

Come see spiderwort flowers in full glory at Sugar Oak Savanna from 8:30-10 a.m. before they close up for the day. This diverse nine-acre oak savanna is a preserve of The Prairie Enthusiasts. Although it still shows signs of past use as a pasture, 37 years of frequent fire has fostered a remarkable recovery of native prairie and savanna vegetation. If you have questions, call Rich Henderson at 845-7065 or email at tpe.rhenderson@tds.net. Park in mowed lawn (please do not block the neighbor’s driveway).

Hometown Days parade

The Verona Hometown Days Parade will be held on Sunday, June 15 at noon. The parade route begins at Paoli Street and S. Nine Mound Road and runs along Paoli Street, Main Street and W. Verona Avenue to Legion Street. Intersections and roads on the route will be closed from 11:45 a.m. until approximately 1:30 p.m.

Domestic abuse intervention services

At 12:30 p.m. Thursday, June 19, the senior center will host a training/presentation will cover the definition and types of domestic violence, warning signs of an abusive relationship and resources for people experiencing abuse.

Books ‘N Booze

Books ‘N Booze Book Discussions take place at Pasqual’s Cantina, 100 Cross Country Rd. This month’s book is “Bossypants,” by Tina Fey, at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, June 19.

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At Hwy. 69 and PB, Paoli
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Rev. Sara Thiessen
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Community calendar

Thursday, June 12 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Hometown Days (run through June 15), veronawi@gmail.com9:30 a.m., fireworks, Community Park	Tuesday, June 17 <ul style="list-style-type: none">1-8 p.m., Crafty Tuesdays for Teens, library7-8 p.m., Meet local author Amitabh Pal, library
Friday, June 13 <ul style="list-style-type: none">9 a.m., “Chat and Chew,” senior center7 p.m.-8 a.m., Library Sleepover, library	Wednesday, June 18 <ul style="list-style-type: none">4-5 p.m., Ice Cream and Dart Painting, VPL
Sunday, June 15 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Sugar River Cruisers Annual Car Show, Verona Fire Station	Thursday, June 19 <ul style="list-style-type: none">12:30 and 2 p.m., Magic Morgan and Lilliana, VPL4-6 p.m., I’m Board! Games, library
Monday, June 16 <ul style="list-style-type: none">1-3 p.m., Open Art Studio: Animals in Art, library7 p.m., Verona Area School District, administration building	Saturday, June 21 <ul style="list-style-type: none">10:30 a.m., Spanish/English story time, library
	Monday, June 23 <ul style="list-style-type: none">1-3 p.m., Open Art Studio: Robots, library

<ul style="list-style-type: none">6:30-8:30 p.m., “Koran by Heart” film screening and discussion, library7 p.m., Common Council, City Center	Tuesday, June 24 <ul style="list-style-type: none">1-8 p.m., Crafty Tuesdays for Teens, library6:30-8:30 p.m., “Secret Life, Secret Death” film screening and discussion, library
	Wednesday, June 25 <ul style="list-style-type: none">4-5:30 p.m., Theatre Games for teens, library4-5 p.m., Read it and Eat Kids’ Book Group, library
	Thursday, June 26 <ul style="list-style-type: none">12:30 and 2 p.m., David Landau: Music and Comedy for Kids, library3:30-5 p.m., Anime and Manga Club, library

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Wednesday, June 11 <ul style="list-style-type: none">5 p.m. – Common Council from 6-09-147 p.m. - Capital City Band8 p.m. – Foot Care at Senior Center10 p.m. – Pam Vankampen at Senior Center11 p.m. – Promise Band at Senior Center Thursday, June 12 <ul style="list-style-type: none">7 a.m. – Pam Vankampen at Senior Center9 a.m. - Daily Exercise10 a.m. - Promise Band at Senior Center3 p.m. - Daily Exercise4 p.m. – Parkinson’s Presentation at Senior Center5 p.m. – A Taste of Theater6 p.m. - Salem Church Service7 p.m. - Words of Peace8 p.m. - Daily Exercise9 p.m. – Chatting with the Chamber10 p.m. – McPherson School at Historical Society Friday, June 13 <ul style="list-style-type: none">7 a.m. – Parkinson’s Presentation at Senior Center1:30 p.m. - Chatting with the Chamber3 p.m. – Foot Care at Senior Center4 p.m. – A Taste of Theater5 p.m. - 2012 Wildcats Football8:30 p.m. - Foot Care at Senior Center10 p.m. - Pam Vankampen at Senior Center11 p.m. – Promise Band at Senior Center Saturday, June 14 <ul style="list-style-type: none">8 a.m. – Common Council from 6-09-14	<ul style="list-style-type: none">11 a.m. - Foot Care at Senior Center1 p.m. - 2012 Wildcats Football4:30 p.m. – McPherson School at Historical Society6 p.m. – Common Council from 6-09-149 p.m. - Foot Care at Senior Center10 p.m. - McPherson School at Historical Society11 p.m. - Promise Band at Senior Center Sunday, June 15 <ul style="list-style-type: none">7 a.m. - Hindu Cultural Hour9 a.m. – Resurrection Church10 a.m. - Salem Church ServiceNoon - Common Council from 6-09-143 p.m. - Foot Care at Senior Center4:30 p.m. - McPherson School at Historical Society6 p.m. – Common Council from 6-09-149 p.m. - Foot Care at Senior Center10 p.m. – McPherson School at Historical Society11 p.m. - Promise Band at Senior Center Monday, June 16 <ul style="list-style-type: none">7 a.m. – Parkinson’s Presentation at Senior Center1:30 p.m. - Chatting with the Chamber3 p.m. - Foot Care at Senior Center4 p.m. – A Taste of Theater5 p.m. - 2012 Wildcats Football9 p.m. - Hindu Cultural Hour10 p.m. – Pam Vankampen at Senior Center11 p.m. – Promise Band at Senior Center Tuesday, June 17 <ul style="list-style-type: none">7 a.m. – Pam Vankampen at Senior
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Rewrite your life

Writing can help us deal with many of life’s problems. Many teenagers have weathered the storm and stress of those turbulent years by keeping a journal, and that same practice can help virtually anyone who can express him or herself in writing. Writing about our fears and anxieties has a way of making them a little less scary and often gives us insight into how to resolve the situation. It can also be helpful to write about our lives in a way that essentially rewrites the story. Someone who is feeling a lack of courage might write about themselves displaying courage. We all have stories to tell, and in thinking about our lives we have a tendency to place our lives into an overarching narrative. That is, we tell ourselves a particular story that makes sense of our life. The story we tell as a teenager is likely to be very different from the one we tell in our twenties or thirties, and there is obviously some wisdom to periodically updating our story. What is the story that you currently tell about your life, and how would you like to see it changed? As we get older, and especially as we approach our “golden years,” we should think more about whether our story really does fit the life we have lived, and the story that we hope our life will someday tell. We should also remember that the final version can’t be written until our life is complete.


- Christopher Simon

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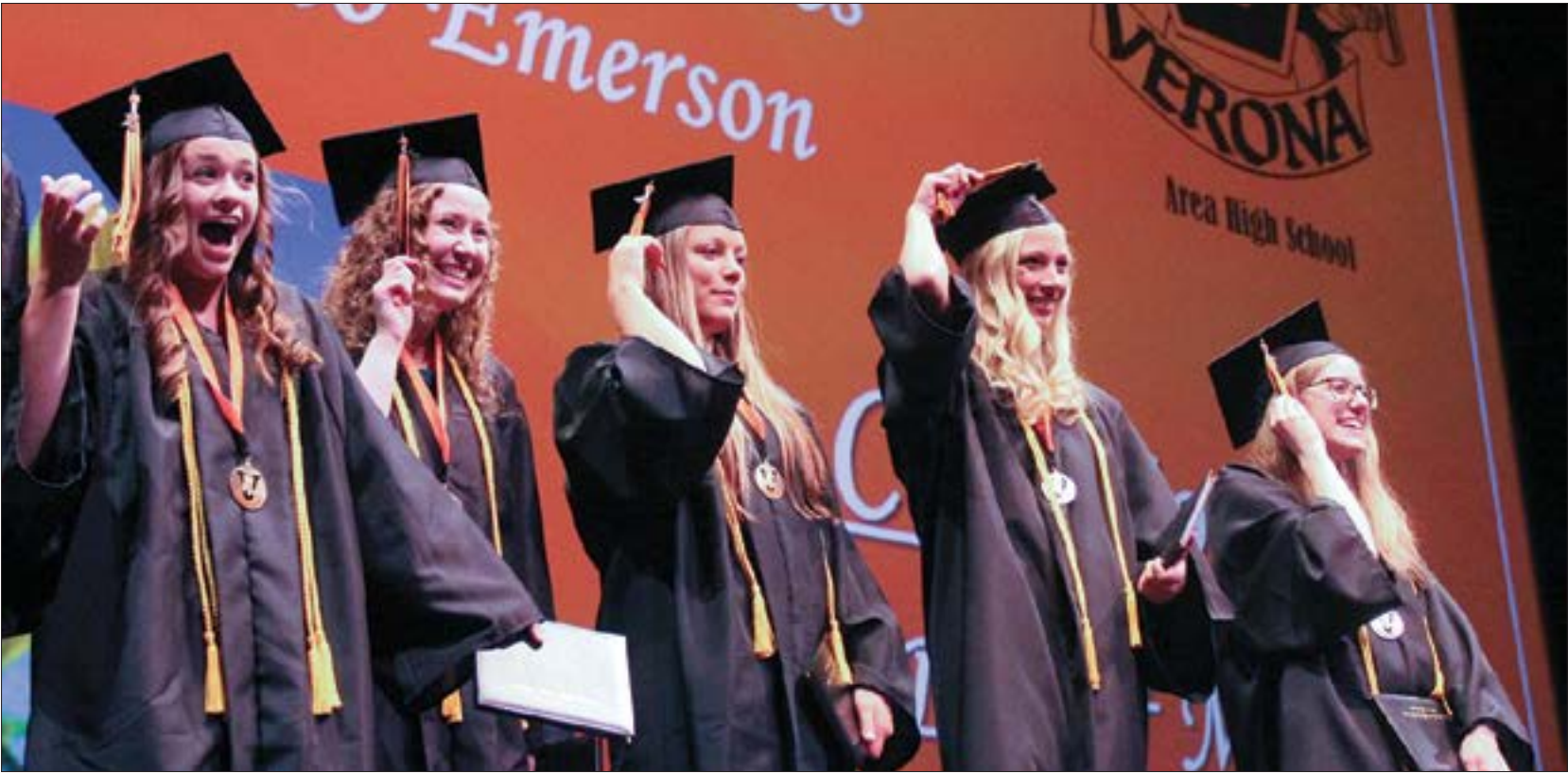
After the cap toss, students searched through the masses to celebrate with friends and family who had come to cheer them on and take photos with everyone they could find.

Below right, Shahan Zaman shows off some style as he slides across the stage toward superintendent Dean Gorrell to receive his diploma.

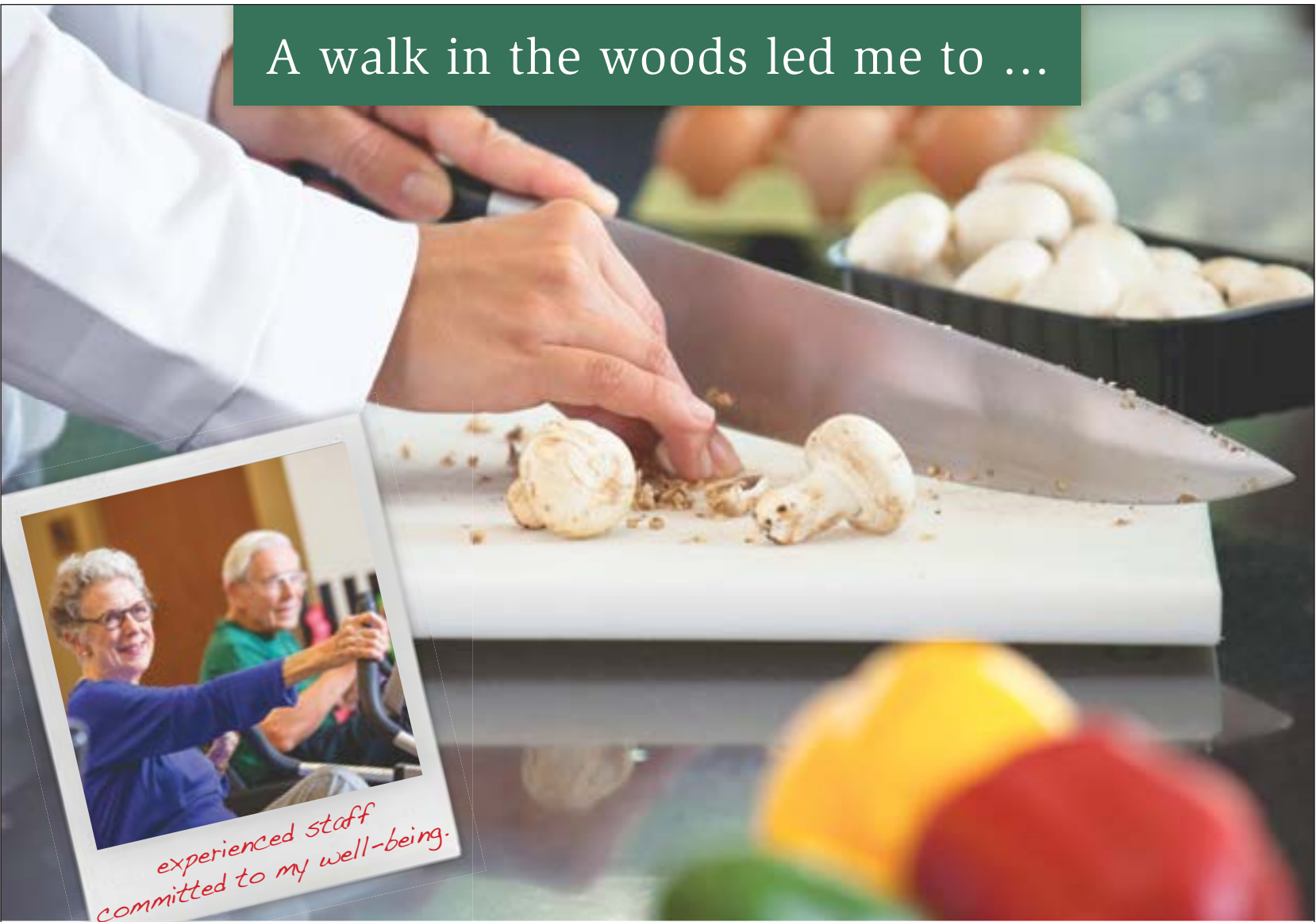
Lower left, Karlton Grant Kistenbroker brought quite a cheer from the crowd with a backflip as he walked across the stage toward superintendent Dean Gorrell. Gorrell helped Kistenbroker readjust his cap once he reached him.

Below left, The class’ top 10 scholars led their fellow graduates in the traditional “turning of the tassel.” From left, Rachel Samz, Lillie Pankratz, Ally Dykman, Olivia Lilly and Katie Goetz.

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Track and field



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Senior Jenni LaCroix rushes ahead in the 4x200 relay Friday in the WIAA Division 1 state track and field state championships at the University of Wisconsin - La Crosse. LaCroix and senior Lexi Richardson, sophomore Kylie Schmaltz and freshman Kristi Larsen took 19th in 1 minute, 45.21 seconds.



Photo by Anthony Iozzo

Verona junior Ryan Nameth (left) keeps pace with Madison West's Olin Hacker in the 3,200 Saturday. Nameth took second in 9:15.33, 79 hundredths of a second behind Hacker.

Closer to gold

Nameth races to second at state

ANTHONY IOZZO
Assistant sports editor

Junior Ryan Nameth has been in close races with Madison West junior Olin Hacker for the past few years, but Saturday's 3,200 at the WIAA Division 1 state track and field meet at the University of Wisconsin - La Crosse was closer than the previous ones.

Nameth took second in 9 minutes, 15.33 seconds, less than a second behind Hacker (9:14.54). The two runners were neck-and-neck for all of the laps, but Hacker pulled away a little bit in the final two laps.

"I love the fact that I am getting closer," Nameth said. "In cross country, it was a really big gap, and last year at state, it was a 10-second gap. But coming back with every race getting closer and closer, it is a confidence boost and it motivates me even more."

And taking second isn't a big disappointment to Nameth, despite being teased by friends.

"I wanted to win, but you are taking second place to an incredible athlete, so it



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can't be all that bad," he said. "My friends make fun of me for it, but it will always be fun."

And Nameth said he enjoys the rivalry that has been created from all the 1-2 or 1-3 finishes the past few years, and it only makes him better as he continues to run. But he added he definitely thinks he will finally beat Hacker next year.

"It is hard, and there is always a lot of pressure," Nameth said. "It is always like, 'How am I going to beat him and what am I going to next,' but it is the best kind of motivation you can get."

Sophomore Brady Traeder also ran in the 3,200 Saturday and finished 20th in 9:53.47.

Senior Steven Queoff took 19th in the high jump Friday with a height of 6 feet. The 4x200 relay of senior Matt Zingler and juniors Josh Beckam, Jacob Auman and Cameron Tindall finished 17th in 1:30.51.

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Baseball

Comeback leads Cats to sectional final

ANTHONY IOZZO
Assistant sports editor

It wasn't just a small turnaround for the Verona Area High School baseball team this season.

After posting a 6-17 record in 2013, the Wildcats were predicted to finish ninth in the Big Eight Conference. But strong efforts from returning players led Verona to finish 15-11 (9-9 Big Eight), with a regional title victory last week, knocking off Stoughton 8-4.

Despite closing the season with a 4-1 loss to Janesville Parker in the WIAA Division 1 sectional final at Riverside Park in Janesville, Verona's season was much better than the expectations, Verona head coach Brad D'Orazio said.

"For us to be one of the last 16 teams left today, I think that is pretty cool," he said.

A lot of the success has stemmed from the seniors on the team - Troy Granick, Mitch Flora, Jake Armstrong, Joey Scott, Blake Laufenberg, Jeff Reinholtz, John Moynihan and Ryan Pynnonen - D'Orazio added. The seniors spent most of the winter in the indoor hitting facility at Stampfl Field and continued to lead the rest of the team by example until sectionals.

"I am going to miss the seniors so much and the dynamic all of the things involved - being with them at practice every day," he said. "Their leadership was awesome and will be tremendously missed."

But that doesn't mean this is a one-and-done experience for the program, which last made a state appearance in 2010. Many starters will return, including juniors David Rogowski and Brodie Roehrig and

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Softball

Cats going back to state tourney

JEREMY JONES
Sports editor

Senior pitcher Emma Ray remembered exactly where she was this time four years ago. Then an eighth-grader, Ray was on hand at Firefighters Park in Middleton to watch the Verona girls softball team clinch their last WIAA state tournament berth.

Thursday evening, Ray tossed a one-hitter and knocked in an insurance run on the same field to advance the Wildcats back to the WIAA Division 1 state softball tournament for the first time since 2010.

Ray moved the ball around and kept the La Follette batters off-balance all night with her change-up en route to a 2-0 victory over rival

If you go

What: WIAA Division 1 state tournament: Quarterfinals

When: 11 a.m. Thursday, June 12

Where: Goodman Diamond at UW-Madison

Madison La Follette.

Despite only allowing one hit, Ray finished the game with just three strikeouts, including the final two outs of the game.

"I knew I could rely on my defense behind me, so I pitched for groundballs," Ray said. "The coaches called great pitches and everything just fell into place."

It was a gritty performance for the Northern Illinois recruit, who wasn't even expected to be on the team a year ago.

Originally, planning to move to Tennessee with her family, Ray returned to Verona feeling like she had some unfinished business on the softball diamond.

"It's awesome right now," she said. "I never want to leave this place. Going into the state tournament, I think we have a really good chance. I'm so proud of this team. We've come so far."

After struggling to get bunts down against La Crosse Central last Tuesday in the sectional semifinals, the Wildcats certainly benefited from

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Photo by Jeremy Jones

Verona pitcher Emma Ray and catcher Nicole Neitzel celebrate the team's 2-0 WIAA Division 1 sectional final win over Madison La Follette on Thursday in Middleton. Lancers head coach Bob Stalker and his team react in the background.



Photos by Anthony Iozzo

Above, Sam Favour (20) celebrates after catcher Ben Rortvedt scores the go-ahead run on a 2-run double by senior John Moynihan (below) in a WIAA Division 1 sectional semifinal against Stoughton. The Wildcats won 8-4 but fell to Janesville Parker in the final, 4-1; (below) Moynihan pitches in the sectional final. He came in as a relief pitcher in both games and allowed no runs.

Baseball: Cats win regional title in extra innings

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sophomores Ben Rortvedt and Keaton Kneueppel.

“Sometimes you need to experience this before you can take the next step, and maybe that is what this will do,” D’Orazio said. “Maybe this was that first step for these guys to keep going next year.”

Verona 8, Stoughton 4

The Wildcats opened sectionals against heavily favored Stoughton, which was the defending sectional champion, and after falling behind early twice, Verona piled on six runs in the fifth inning to take over.

Kneueppel started the top of the fifth with a single to left field, and sophomore catcher Ben Rortvedt followed with a single.

Moynihan put Verona up 4-3 with an RBI double, and junior Josh Eugster hit senior Jeff Reinholtz with a pitch.

With Brady Wanninger now pitching, Roehrig reached on a bunt single. Pynnonen followed with a 2-run single, and Granick followed with an RBI suicide squeeze. Rogowski finished the inning with an RBI single to make it 8-3.

“The game we played against Stoughton was fantastic,” D’Orazio said. “We were aggressive and got great pitching from Keaton and John and got timely hitting and executed when we needed to. It was just an awesome win.”

Stoughton cut Verona’s lead to 8-4 in the bottom of the fifth. Junior Cade Bun-nell walked, and Rosowski singled to left. Senior Alex Zacharias followed with an RBI single.

But that was the end of the offense for both sides.

That Wildcats came back in the second inning, as well.

Granick singled to right, and Rogowski hit a bloop RBI double down the right-field line. Flora followed with an RBI single to tie the game at 2-2.

The Vikings’ first two



runs came in the first inning when senior PJ Rosowski hit a deep fly to left field that was dropped by junior Jake Toman. That scored Lund, and Rosowski was able to come all the way around to score as Toman was a little dazed on the play.

Kneueppel picked up the win for Verona. He went 4 2/3 innings and allowed two earned runs on six hits. He struck out five and walked three.

Moynihan pitched the last 2 1/3 innings and allowed a hit and a walk. He struck out five.

Eugster picked up the loss for the Vikings. He went four innings and allowed six earned runs on six hits. He walked three, hit three batters and struck out one.

Parker 4, Verona 1

The offense was not as clutch in the sectional final, managing just one hit against Parker.

Verona tied the game at 1-1 in the top of the third, the last inning it threatened.

Flora led off with a single to right, and Kneueppel sacrificed him to second on a bunt. Rortvedt followed with a walk, and Moynihan reached on a fielder’s choice after Flora was thrown out at home.

Reinholtz walked to load the bases, and Roehrig followed with an RBI walk.

But a groundout ended the inning, and Parker came back with two runs in the next inning.

“It seems that our kind of tendency is that we don’t usually get one or two runs, we get five or six,” D’Orazio said. “In the first game, we had the timely base hits, but we just didn’t have that in the second game.”

Collin Powers pitched a complete game for Parker. He walked five and struck out three.

Pynnonen took the loss for Verona. He went three innings and allowed three earned runs on six hits. He walked five and struck out two. Moynihan also pitched three innings. He allowed a

hit and struck out two.

Verona 5, Beloit 4 (8 inn)

The Wildcats needed extra innings and a comeback to win its regional title last Thursday.

Verona scored twice in the bottom of the eighth to defeat sixth-seeded Beloit Memorial 5-4 at Stampfl Field.

Sophomore catcher Ben Rortvedt (2-for-4) doubled to lead off the eighth, and senior John Moynihan (3-for-4) followed with an RBI double to tie the game at 4.

Senior Jeff Reinholtz (2-for-3) walked and sophomore Keaton Kneueppel reached on a bunt to load the bases with no outs, but Beloit was able to force Moynihan at home to keep the game tied on a fielder’s choice by Brodie Roehrig.

The Wildcats were able to score on the next grounder, however. Senior Ryan Pynnonen picked up the RBI to score Reinholtz.

Verona led 3-0 in the sixth, but Beloit scored three times to tie the game. Beloit took the lead in the top of the eighth.

Moynihan picked up an RBI double, while Reinholtz singled in junior Eric Schmid in the first inning. Junior David Rogowski added an RBI fielder’s choice in the second, scoring Roehrig.

Kneueppel picked up the win. He allowed no earned runs on four hits in 2 2/3 innings. He struck out four. Moynihan started and allowed one earned run on two hits in 5 1/3 innings. He struck out nine and walked three.



Photo by Mindy Jeddeloh

The all-state and all-conference honorees (front, from left) are: Elena Herman and Jessica Eversoll; (back) Madison Jeddeloh, assistant coach Olivia Ougheltree, Samantha Seymour, Rachel Romens and Jenna Butler.

Boys, girls move on to state semis

Both the Verona Area High School boys and girls lacrosse teams moved on to the state semifinals last week.

The state semifinals were Wednesday and did not meet the Press’ Tuesday deadline. Look for results next week.

The state finals for both the boys and the girls is June 14 at the University of Wisconsin - Whitewater.

GIRLS

The VAHS girls defeated Brookfield 12-7 last Saturday to advance to the state semifinals.

Junior Maddy Jeddeloh led the offense with four goals and three assists. Junior Jenna Butler scored three times, and Bethany

Russell scored twice.

Freshman Kelli Blaisdell, junior Sammy Seymour and sophomore Amanda Best each found the net once.

Senior goalie Rachel Romens had 14 saves in the game, while Butler had four caused turnovers. Blaisdell and freshman Elena Herman and sophomores Abby Filsinger and Morgan Fritzler each had one caused turnover.

Verona 18, Milw. Lakeshore 4

The Wildcats opened sectionals with an 18-4 win against the Milwaukee Lakeshore last Thursday.


Jeddeloh led scorers with six goals and three assists.

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Photo by Mindy Jeddeloh

Jessica Eversoll (15) and goalie Rachel Romens protect the goal against Brookfield last Saturday in the girls state lacrosse sectional finals. Verona won 12-7 to advance to the state semifinals.



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Senior Steven Queoff competes in the high jump Saturday. Queoff finished 19th with a height of 6 feet.

State: Richardson competes in three events at state

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The 4x800 team of seniors Ben Feller, Christopher Williams, Alex Anderson and Luke Waschbusch finished 21st in 8:13.75.

GIRLS

The Verona Area High School girls team also sent girls to state last Friday and Saturday.

Senior Lexy Richardson, senior Jenni La Croix, sophomore Kylie Schmaltz and freshman Kristi Larsen finished 19th Friday in the preliminaries of the 4x200. The girls finished in 1:45.21.

The 4x400 team of junior Hannah Miller, Richardson, LaCroix and Larsen finished 21st in the preliminaries in 4:06.08.

Richardson also competed in the high jump and tied for 19th with a height of 4-10.

Senior Nikky Zimbrick also competed at state in the pole vault but did not make the opening height of 10-0.



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Senior Lexi Richardson clears 4 feet, 10 inches during the high jump Saturday. Richardson had to wait to jump for more than five hours after thunderstorms delayed the meet.

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Sport shorts

Skate With the Wildcats

The Verona Area High School state championship team will be at the rink from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Sunday, June 15.

There will be a short on-ice presentation of the state banner and introduction of the team. Then the whole team will be out on the ice for a free public skate.

Their state trophy will be out, and the high school locker room will be open.

Lacrosse: Butler named MALA Player of the Year

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Junior Sarah Guy, Butler and Blaisdell each scored three times. Butler added 3 assists, and Guy added two. Blaisdell had one assist. Freshman Becca Phelps, Russell and Seymour rounded out the scoring with one goal each.

Romens collected seven saves.

Five Wildcats forced eight turnovers, led by junior Jessica Eversoll with four. Junior Ali Frieberg Best, Filsinger and Seymour each had one forced turnover.

All-State and all-conference honors

The girls had several girls named to the All-State and all-conference team this season. The honorees are:

Junior midfielder captain Jenna Butler – Madison Area Lacrosse Association Player of the Year, Wisconsin Lacrosse Federation (WLF) All-State team

(unanimous selection), first-team all-conference (unanimous selection)

Junior captain defender Jessica Eversoll – All-State team (unanimous selection), first-team all-conference

Senior goalie Rachel Romens: All-State team, first-team all-conference

Junior attacker Madison Jeddelloh – All-State honorable mention, first-team all-conference

Junior midfielder Samantha Seymour – second-team all-conference

Freshman defender Elena Herman – all-conference honorable mention

Assistant coach Olivia Ougheltree – MALA Assistant Coach of the Year

BOYS

The VAHS boys lacrosse team also won sectionals last Saturday with a 10-5 win at Bay Port.

The boys also defeated Lakeshore 14-6 last Thursday in the sectional semifinal.

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GOV. SCOTT WALKER AND THE STATE OF WISCONSIN want you to be aware of the following public notices published the week of JUNE 4, 2014:

DNR Air Pollution Permit Application Reviews: Quad/Graphics, Hartford; Scot Forge Company, Clinton; Unit Drop Forge Company, West Allis; Advanced Disposal Services Glacier Ridge Landfill, Horicon; Superior Silica Sand, Barron; Bemis Performance Packaging, Lancaster; Advanced Disposal Services, Delavan; Hi-Crush Whitehall, Independence; Georgia-Pacific Consumer Products, Green Bay; Indianhead Plating, Chippewa Falls; Generac Power Systems, Eagle; Winnebago Mental Health Institute, Oshkosh;

BIDS/PROPOSALS: UW-Eau Claire's student newspaper, June 19, 2:30 PM;

MEETINGS/HEARINGS: Wisconsin Department of Transportation, June 11, 5pm;

GENERAL NOTICES: Unclaimed Property - Online Auction;

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Legals

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DANE COUNTY, WI

The Town of Verona will receive sealed bids at the Town Hall, located at 335 N. Nine Mound Road, Verona, WI 53593 for the construction of Range Trail Road Improvement until June 20, 2014 at 10:00 AM. All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time.

The work for Range Trail Road Improvement (approx. 5,300 L.F.) within the Town of Verona, which bids are asked includes:

Base Bid - Adding 6 inches of millings to the center 20 feet of pavement, pulverizing the entire roadway, grading, double seal coat, culvert replacements, ditching and restoration.

Alternate Bid 1 – Adding 6 inches of millings to the center 20 feet of pavement, pulverizing the entire roadway, grading, paving a single 2.5 inch asphalt surface, culvert replacement, ditching and restoration.

Alternate Bid 2 – Replacement of 2 existing CMP culverts with RCP culverts crossing Range Trail located southerly of Sunset Drive.

The BIDDING DOCUMENTS may be examined at the offices of MSA Professional Services, Inc., Madison, Wisconsin; the Town of Verona; Wisconsin. Planholders list will be updated interactively on our web address at <http://www.msa-ps.com> under Bidding.

Copies of the BIDDING DOCUMENTS are available at www.questcdn.com. You may download the digital plan documents for \$20 by inputting Quest eBidDoc #3354107 on the website's Project Search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with the digital project information.

No proposal will be accepted unless accompanied by a certified check or bid bond equal to at least 5% of the amount bid, payable to the OWNER as a guarantee that, if the bid is accepted, the bidder will execute and file the proper contract and bond within 15 days after the award of the contract. The certified check or bid bond will be returned to the bidder as soon as the contract is signed, and if after 15 days the bidder shall fail to do so, the certified check or bid bond shall be forfeited to the OWNER as liquidated damages.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

OWNER reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids.

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NOTICE
TOWN OF VERONA
PLAN COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN the Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, June 18, 2014 at a meeting beginning at 6:30 pm at the Town of Verona Hall, 335 N. Nine Mound Rd. Verona WI regarding:

Land Use Change Application – Dated May 28, 2014 for property located on Manhattan Dr (Lot 2, CSM No. 2190, NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Sect. 28, Verona T6N, R8E, Town of Verona, Dane County, WI) submitted by Goff Construction and Real Estate Inc (Tom Goff). The purpose of the application is to allow for the splitting of the parcel into two home sites. The application consists of a rezoning and certified survey map.

* Interested persons may comment on the proposals listed above during the public hearing portion of the Plan Commission meeting.

Members of the Plan Commission will consider possible action and make recommendation to the Town of Verona Board.

* Review by the Town Board on these land use applications could occur on July 1, 2014 at the regular Town Board meeting. Town Board action is forwarded to Dane County for final action.

* Contact Manfred Enburg Plan Commission Chair at 608-845-6356 or the Town of Verona office 608-845-7187 for more information.

If anyone having a qualifying disability as defined by the American With Disabilities Act, needs an interpreter, materials in alternate formats or other accommodations to access these meetings, please contact the Town of Verona Clerk's @ 608-845-7187 or aarnold@town.verona.wi.us Please do so at least 48 hours prior to the meeting so that proper arrangements can be made.

Amanda Arnold
Planner/Administrator
Town of Verona
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of Verona is requesting subcontractor bids for the new Verona Fire and EMS facility.

Bid Package #1 will include the following work divisions:

- Earthwork & Building Demolition

- Asphalt
 - Concrete
 - Precast Concrete
- Bids Due: June 19, 2014 at 2:00PM
Bids to Owner:
Bill Burns, City Administrator
City of Verona
111 Lincoln Street
Verona, Wisconsin 53593

Pre-bid meeting: June 12, 9:00AM
at the City of Verona Administration Building

Prevailing Wages: Required
Bid Bond: Required
Plans and Specs: Bid documents will be available on June 5, 2014. Bid documents can be viewed at the City of Verona Administration Building, Office of the Construction Manager, downloaded on Tri-North iSqFt website, and downloaded at the Wisconsin AGC Internet Plan Room

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TOWN OF VERONA
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD
MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2014
1:00 P.M.
TOWN HALL,
335 N. NINE MOUND ROAD,
VERONA, WI 53593-1035

1. Call To Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Motion to go into closed session per Wis. Stats. §19.95 (1) (e) for deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Discussion and possible action pertaining to the purchase of land for Town operations.
4. Motion to return to open session
5. Discussion and possible action on matters discussed in closed session.
6. Adjourn

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David K. Combs,
Town Chair, Town of Verona.
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VERONA CEMETERY
ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2014
6:30 PM
CEMETERY GARAGE
565 NORTH MAIN ST.

The Verona Cemetery Association will hold their annual meeting on Wednesday, June 18, 2014 at 6:30 pm. The meeting will be held at the cemetery garage.

Those interested are encouraged to attend. If you are unable to attend and have a concern regarding the cemetery please contact the secretary at 317 Thompson Street, Verona, WI 53593, phone 845-7289 or send an e-mail to marker@chorus.net

Arthur Cresson, Secretary
Published: June 12, 2014
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ORDINANCE NO. 14-844
AN ORDINANCE REZONING
THE HEREIN DESCRIBED
PROPERTY IN THE
CITY OF VERONA

The Common Council of the City of Verona, Dane County, State of Wisconsin, does hereby ordain as follows:

1. That Section 13-1-42, "Zoning Map" of Title 13, Chapter 1 "Zoning Code", of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Verona be amended by repealing the existing zoning of Rural Agricultural (RA) on the following described parcel in the City of Verona and assigning the Suburban Industrial (SI) zoning classification:

Outlot 7, Epic and part of Lot 1, Cer-

tified Survey Map No. 13635, located in the SW1/4 of the SE1/4 and in the SE1/4 of the SW1/4 of Section 8, T6N, R8E, City of Verona, Dane County, Wisconsin to-wit:

Beginning at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 8; thence N00°13'44"W, 352.64 feet along the East line of said Lot 1; thence S89°48'24"W, 400.00 feet; thence N00°13'44"W, 1000.00 feet to the North line of said Lot 1; thence N89°48'24"E, 400.00 feet to the Northeast corner of said Lot 1; thence N88°47'25"E, 1334.34 feet; thence S00°04'37"W, 1342.10 feet; thence S88°19'46"W, 1327.40 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 2,192,636 square feet (50.336 acres).

2. That the City Clerk is directed to forthwith make the above change in the zoning district boundaries on the official map of the City of Verona pursuant to Section 13-1-42 of the City ordinances after passage and publication as required by law.

The foregoing ordinance was duly adopted by the Common Council of the City of Verona at a meeting held on June 9th, 2014.

CITY OF VERONA
Jon Hochkammer, Mayor
(seal)
Kami Scofield, City Clerk
Enacted: June 9, 2014
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ORDINANCE NO. 14-845
AN ORDINANCE REZONING
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CITY OF VERONA

The Common Council of the City of Verona, Dane County, State of Wisconsin, does hereby ordain as follows:

1. That Section 13-1-42, "Zoning Map" of Title 13, Chapter 1 "Zoning Code", of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Verona be amended by repealing the existing zoning of Urban Residential (UR) on the following described parcel in the City of Verona and assigning the Community Residential (CR) zoning classification:

Lots 1 – 35 of the Hometown Grove Plat

2. That the City Clerk is directed to forthwith make the above change in the zoning district boundaries on the official map of the City of Verona pursuant to Section 13-1-42 of the City ordinances after passage and publication as required by law.

The foregoing ordinance was duly adopted by the Common Council of the City of Verona at a meeting held on June 9th, 2014.

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ORDINANCE NO. 14-846
AMENDMENT TO TITLE 13,
CHAPTER 3 OF THE CODE
OF ORDINANCES,
CITY OF VERONA,
WISCONSIN

The Common Council of the City of Verona, Dane County, Wisconsin, do ordain that Title 13, Chapter 3 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Verona, Wisconsin to amended as follows:

1. Sec. 13-3-15 is repealed.
2. Article F: Shoreland Zoning District is created to read as follows:

Article F: Shoreland Zoning District
Sec. 13-3-50 Title: Statutory Authorization

Article F shall be known as the Shoreland Zoning District Ordinance. This Shoreland Zoning District Ordinance is adopted pursuant to the authorization in Wis. Stat. §§ 62.23 and 62.233.

Sec. 13-3-51 Definitions
The following terms used in this Shoreland Zoning District Ordinance are defined as follows:

(a) "Principal building" means the main building or structure on a single lot or parcel of land and includes any attached garage or attached porch.

(b) "Shorelands" has the meaning given in Wis. Stat. § 59.692(1)(b).

(c) "Shoreland setback area" has the meaning given in Wis. Stat. § 59.692(1)(bn).

The definitions contained in Section 13-3-41 shall also apply to this Shoreland Zoning District Ordinance, except to the extent that they conflict with the definitions contained in this section.

Sec. 13-3-52 Findings of Fact and Purpose

Uncontrolled use of shorelands and pollution of the navigable waters of the City of Verona would adversely affect the public health, safety, convenience, and general welfare and impair the tax base. The Legislature of Wisconsin has delegated responsibility to all municipalities to:

- (a) Promote the public health, safety, convenience and general welfare;
- (b) Limit certain land use activities detrimental to shorelands; and
- (c) Preserve shore cover and natural beauty by controlling the location of structures in shoreland areas and restricting the removal of natural shoreland vegetation.

Section 13-3-53 Compliance

The use of shorelands governed by this Shoreland Zoning District Ord-

nance shall be in full compliance with the terms of this ordinance and other applicable local, state or federal regulations. All permitted development shall require the issuance of a zoning, permit unless otherwise expressly excluded by a provision of this Shoreland Zoning District Ordinance.

Section 13-3-54 Municipalities and State Agencies Regulated

Unless specifically exempted by law, all cities, villages, towns, and counties are required to comply with this Shoreland Zoning District Ordinance and obtain all necessary permits. State agencies are required to comply if Wis. Stat. § 13.48(13) applies.

Section 13-3-55 Abrogation and Greater Restrictions

(a) This Shoreland Zoning District Ordinance supersedes all the provisions of any other applicable municipal ordinance, except that where another municipal ordinance is more restrictive than this ordinance, that ordinance shall continue in full force and effect to the extent of the greater restrictions, but not otherwise.

(b) This Shoreland Zoning District Ordinance is not intended to repeal, abrogate or impair any existing deed restrictions, covenants or easements. However, where this ordinance imposes greater restrictions, the provisions of this ordinance shall prevail.

(c) The lands within the Shoreland Zoning District are subject to all applicable provisions of the City of Verona Municipal Code. Where the provisions of this Shoreland Zoning District Ordinance are more restrictive than other regulations in the Municipal Code, the provisions of this ordinance shall apply.

Section 13-3-56 Interpretation; Severability

(a) In their interpretation and application, the provisions of this Shoreland Zoning District Ordinance shall be held to be minimum requirements and shall be liberally construed in favor of the City of Verona and shall not be deemed a limitation or repeal of any other powers granted by the Wisconsin Statutes or Wisconsin Constitution.

(b) Should any portion of this ordinance be declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Shoreland Zoning District Ordinance shall not be affected.

Section 13-3-57 Applicability; District Boundaries

(a) The Shoreland Zoning District regulations apply only to shorelands annexed by the City of Verona after May 7, 1982, and that prior to annexation were subject to a Dane County shoreland zoning ordinance under Wis. Stat. § 59.692.

(b) The Shoreland Zoning District areas regulated by this ordinance shall include all shorelands covered by subsection (a) that are in the City of Verona and are:

(1) Within 1,000 feet of the ordinary high-water mark of navigable lakes, ponds or flowages. Lakes, ponds or flowages shall be presumed to be navigable if they are listed in the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Surface Water Data viewer available on the DNR website, or are shown on United States Geological Survey quadrangle maps or other zoning base maps.

(2) Within 300 feet of the ordinary high-water mark of navigable rivers or streams, or to the landward side of the floodplain, whichever distance is greater. Rivers and streams shall be presumed to be navigable if they are designated as continuous waterways or intermittent waterways on United States Geological Survey quadrangle maps. Flood hazard boundary maps, flood insurance rate maps, flood boundary-floodway maps, county soil survey maps or other existing county floodplain zoning maps shall be used to delineate floodplain areas.

(c) Determinations of navigability and ordinary high-water mark location shall initially be made by the Zoning Administrator. When questions arise, the Zoning Administrator shall contact the appropriate district office of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for a final determination of navigability or ordinary high-water mark.

(d) Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 62.233, the Shoreland Zoning District does not include lands adjacent to an artificially

constructed drainage ditch, pond, or retention basin if the drainage ditch, pond or retention basin is not hydrologically connected to a natural navigable water body.

Section 13-3-58 Setbacks

(a) Principal Buildings.

(1) All principal buildings shall be set back at least 50 feet from the ordinary high-water mark. However, a setback less than 50 feet is permitted if both of the following apply:

a. The principal building is constructed or placed on a lot or parcel of land that is immediately adjacent on each side to a lot or parcel of land containing a principal building; and

b. The principal building is constructed or placed within a distance equal to the average setback of the principal building on the adjacent lots or 35 feet from the ordinary high-water mark, whichever distance is greater.

(b) Other Accessory Buildings.

(1) Accessory buildings accessory to permitted and extending 35 feet inland from the ordinary high-water mark, subject to the following conditions:

a. Accessory buildings shall not be closer than 25 feet to the average annual high water mark.

b. Accessory buildings shall not be used for human habitation or animal shelter.

c. Accessory buildings shall not be placed in the vegetative buffer zone required under Section 13-3-59.

Section 13-3-59 Vegetative Buffer Zone

(a) Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 62.233, a landowner must maintain a vegetative buffer zone, as follows:

(1) A person who owns shoreland property that contains vegetation must maintain that vegetation in a vegetative buffer zone along the entire shoreline of the property and extending 35 feet inland from the ordinary high-water mark of the navigable water, except as provided in subsection (2).

(2) If the vegetation in a vegetative buffer zone contains invasive species or dead or diseased vegetation, the owner of the shoreland property may remove the vegetation, except that if the owner removes all of the vegetation in the vegetative buffer zone, the owner shall establish a vegetative buffer zone with new vegetation.

(3) A person who is required to maintain or establish a vegetative buffer zone under subsection (1) may remove all of the vegetation in a part of that zone in order to establish a viewing or access corridor that is no greater than 30 feet wide for every 100 feet of shoreline frontage and extends no more than 35 feet inland from the ordinary high-water mark.

The foregoing ordinance was duly adopted by the Common Council of the City of Verona at a meeting held on June 9, 2014.

CITY OF VERONA
Jon Hochkammer, Mayor
(seal)
Kami Scofield, City Clerk
Enacted: June 9, 2014
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CITY OF VERONA
MINUTES
COMMON COUNCIL
MAY 27, 2014
VERONA CITY HALL

1. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hochkammer at 7:02 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call: L. Diaz, J. Linder, Mac McGilvray, H. Reekie, B. Stiner, E. Touchett, and D. Yurs. Alderperson Doyle was absent and excused. Also in attendance: City Administrator, B. Burns; Director of Parks & Forestry, D. Walker; Fire Chief, J. Giver; and City Clerk, K. Scofield.

4. Public Comment:

* Brad Stiner, 2014 Lanes building being bought by the Sugar River United Methodist Church, discussed at the previous meeting. Mr. Stiner stated that the culture of the City will change losing the recreational venue of the bowling alley

downtown.

5. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Yurs, seconded by Reekie to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2014 Common Council meeting. Motion carried 7/0.

6. Mayor's Business
7. Administrator's Report
8. Engineer's Report:
9. COMMITTEE REPORTS
A. Finance Committee

(1) Discussion and Possible Action
Re: Payment of Bills. Motion by McGilvray, seconded by Linder to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$235,936.84. Motion carried 7/0.

(2) Discussion and Possible Action
Re: Resolution R-14-021 Initial Resolution Authorizing \$1,670,000 General Obligation Bonds for Street Improvement Projects. Mike Harrigan, Ehlers & Associate spoke regarding the Bond Issues. Motion by McGilvray, seconded by Linder to approve Resolution R-14-021. Motion carried 7/0.

(3) Discussion and Possible Action
Re: Resolution R-14-022 Initial Resolution Authorizing \$305,000 General Obligation Bonds for Storm Sewer Projects. Motion by McGilvray, seconded by Linder to approve Resolution R-14-022. Motion carried 7/0.

(4) Discussion and Possible Action
Re: Resolution R-14-023 Initial Resolution Authorizing \$7,135,000 General Obligation Bonds for Fire Station Project. Motion by McGilvray, seconded by Linder to approve Resolution R-14-023. Motion carried 6/1 with Ald. Touchett voting 'no'.

(5) Discussion and Possible Action
Re: Resolution R-14-024 Directing Publication of Notice to Electors. Motion by McGilvray, seconded by Linder to approve Resolution R-14-024. Motion carried 7/0.

(6) Discussion and Possible Action
Re: Resolution R-14-025 Providing for the Sale of \$9,110,000 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds. Motion by McGilvray, seconded by Linder to approve Resolution R-14-025. Motion carried 7/0.

B. Park, Recreation, and Forestry Commission

(1) Discussion and Possible Action
Re: Professional Services Agreement with JSD Professional Services, Inc. for Additional Services for Cathedral Point Park Development. Motion by Reekie, seconded by McGilvray to approve the Agreement. Motion carried 7/0.

10. New Business

(1) Discussion and Possible Action
Re: Fire and EMS Station Design and Cost Projections, Cost Reduction Recommendations, and Direction on Procurement of Bid packages. Steve Gausman, Five Bugles Design, and Bill Penoyer, Tri-North Builders, spoke regarding the project design and related costs. The cost projections for the project came back higher than anticipated due to a variety of material and labor increases. Cost saving options were explored including material/design changes and alternative bid items. Motion by Yurs, seconded by Stiner to proceed with the recommended cost reductions as listed with the exception of removing the 6th fire apparatus bay. Motion carried 7/0.

(2) Discussion and Possible Action
Re: Approval of Operator Licenses. There were no licenses received for approval.

11. Announcements:
12. Adjournment
Motion by Touchett, seconded by Reekie to adjourn the meeting at 9:31 p.m. Motion carried 7/0.

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Church: Still have to work through receiver

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Verona Avenue over the past six years made it hard to say no.

Mayor Jon Hochkammer reminded alders that city had had opportunities to buy and therefore control the property.

“We have to put our money where our mouth is,” he said.

But even without a monetary investment, the city still had the choice to say no this spring because of an ordinance passed two years ago forcing any “indoor institutional” use, such as a church or school, to earn a permit within the downtown overlay district. The idea was to prevent prime commercial real estate from becoming tax-exempt without giving the city a chance to offer an alternative.

Several alders and Plan Commission members brought up the issue of taxes in recent weeks, but nobody was willing to firmly state that tax revenue was going to make or break the decision.

“This speaks louder than dollars and cents,” Ald.

Elizabeth Doyle (D-1) said, acknowledging some “initial reservations” about that and other aspects of the move. “(It’s) a positive thing overall for our community.”

Ald. Brad Stiner (D-3) had expressed opposition to the move both after a previous council meeting and as a member of the audience at last week’s Plan Commission meeting. But he was absent, as was Ald. Mac McGilvray (D-1), who had a hand in creating the ordinance requiring the permit but still had expressed support a month earlier.

Holmes pointed out to the Press that the church had been working on this acquisition for two years, long before the downtown plan was completed, and in fact had been preparing to grow out of its 13,000-square-foot spot at the former library on Franklin Street since 2008.

The new space will double the available area and provide separate areas for education and youth ministries, as well as better options for allowing other groups to use its facilities.

“We’re very excited,” Holmes said.

He said the church had considered expanding at its original location, but the sale of one nearby property and the lack of response from the owners of a couple more kept that idea from advancing.

“It became clear we weren’t going to have a future there,” he said.

The plan still has some “hurdles” to clear, as Holmes put it, including securing financing, finalizing its deal with the receiver controlling the property and getting the official approval of the congregation for the move. He said the building committee is hoping to have all of that paperwork done by early fall to prepare for the move.

The church plans to inhabit the top-level banquet center during renovations, Holmes told the Press, which would continue through the winter.

So important as the city’s decision was Monday, it’s just setting the stage, Holmes told congregation members after the meeting.

“Now the work begins,” he said.

Council OKs apartments, small lots, shoreland changes

JIM FEROLIE
Verona Press editor

A big crowd was a given at Monday’s Common Council meeting, but it wasn’t all there for the vote to allow a church to move into a bowling alley.

About 40 of the roughly 120 people who clapped and cheered for the ceremonial swearing-in of the Verona Police Department’s four newest officers Monday night watched some or all of a variety of difficult issues get long debates, including plans for 62 apartments in the upscale Scenic Ridge neighborhood, smaller-than-normally-allowed single-family home lots in the Hometown Grove neighborhood and an ordinance that would override the county’s shoreland zoning rules.

Both Hometown Grove and Scenic Ridge had been

through the council and Plan Commission before, so there were no surprises, unless you count one speaker’s plea to raise the price of planned apartments off Locust Drive above the stated level of about \$800 for a studio to \$1,400 for two-bedroom unit.

Alders and staff went to great lengths to respond to many of the same concerns about the apartments that had been raised the week before at Plan Commission, including how the roads near the apartment complex were designed to handle the extra traffic. Scenic Ridge was platted eight years ago, and those apartments were always part of the plan, even though, as Verona has seen a few times recently, the apartments were delayed until the neighborhood was nearly full.

Alders sympathized

with residents’ concerns but voted 6-0 in favor of a group development, allowing the developer to have two buildings on one lot. The site plan, including landscaping, access and materials, got full approval from the Plan Commission.

Ald. Evan Touchett (Dist. 4) compared the situation to the apartments that were built in Harmony Hills after he had voted against them two years ago, indicating that it had turned out well partly because of communication with the neighborhood.

Touchett was the lone dissenter in the 5-1 vote for the Hometown Grove general development plan, on a 7-acre spot across from Glacier Edge Elementary School. Plans for the property have changed multiple times since 2007, when the condominium market began to go sour. It’s been difficult for developers to satisfy public safety and access concerns in the odd-shaped parcel, basically a diamond. The solution has been extra-small home single-family lots in the middle, as small as 4,000 square feet.

“We’re trying to solve a developer problem, not a city problem,” Touchett argued, to no avail.

Shoreland zoning

The council voted 4-2 to take advantage of a recent state law that allowed cities and villages to eliminate what could be a patchwork series of county shoreland zoning codes.

Alds. Luke Diaz (D-3) and Elizabeth Doyle (D-1) did not want the city to revert to a less “restrictive” standard than the one set by the county, voting against. Alds. Dale Yurs (D-2) and Heather Reekie (D-4) were “on the fence” but decided with the majority that they would prefer to see the city able to control zoning standards in its own territory.

The codes only affect properties within 1,000 feet of a navigable pond or lake or within 300 feet of a river or stream. However, the state’s definition of “navigable” is not what many people would consider.

For example, city engineer Bob Gundlach explained, the so-called “dry tributary” of the Badger Mill Creek – essentially a drainage swale starting from the northwest side of the city – has been ruled a navigable waterway south of Verona Avenue by the state Department of Natural Resources. Some stormwater detention ponds in the city also fit this definition.

Under the previous law, cities and villages were required to enforce whatever county zoning standards were in effect at the time of annexation, going back to 1982. That could mean different rules for different properties all over the city.

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