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Royall to host second annual career fair



Last year, sixteen local employers set up shop in the Royall High School gym to meet with Royall students and inform them of various career opportunities in their local community. One such employer was the local ambulance team. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.

By NICOLETTE NAUMAN
Sentry-Enterprise Editor

The Royall High School will be hosting its second annual career fair on Monday, April 29. The fair is conducted in partnership with the Elroy Chamber of Commerce, and serves as an opportunity to expose students to the various career opportunities in Elroy and the surrounding communities.

An ongoing problem for smaller communities can be best summed up in one word: retention. After graduating high school, many students opt to leave their hometowns for college—and few of them ever return to build their lives after completing their education.

This is largely due to a lack of economic opportunity, be it perceived or real. It's a long-established trend that better-paying jobs are found

in bigger cities, even if overall quality of life may be better in smaller communities. Smaller towns and villages throughout the country have been facing these issues for decades, now.

Hailey Brown, counselor at Royall High School, hopes these career fairs will help Elroy and neighboring communities deal with these issues in a more proactive manner. Her goal with the career fair is to get her students aware of the career opportunities here at home, in the hopes that at least a portion of them will decide to come back after college.

Last year, the career fair's inaugural outing, went well, in Brown's opinion. A total of sixteen employers agreed to participate, including two military branches. While that might not seem like much, Brown considers it a good starting point and has spent the past year devising ways to

grow the fair this year.

Brown reached out to two neighboring school districts, Hillsboro and Wonewoc-Center, to see if either would be interesting in partnering with Royall for this year's career fair. This would help open the fair to employers outside of Elroy who may not otherwise opt to participate, as well as widen the net, so to speak, of high school students who may remember their experiences with the career fair when they're making post-graduation plans.

Hillsboro agreed to partner with Royall this year, but Wonewoc-Center opted to decline. Wonewoc-Center holds its own career fair in the early spring, and thus opted not to participate this year. However, the partnership has helped to bring in some new

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The Wonewoc-Center PTCO hosted their annual Easter Egg Hunt at the Wonewoc-Center School on the morning of Saturday, March 30. After the little kids had gotten settled into their egg-hunting area, the gates opened and their older counterparts raced out to find their own eggs. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.

Elroy librarian to speak on international adventure

By NICOLETTE NAUMAN
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In September of 2023, Elroy librarian Kari Preuss went on the trip of a lifetime, accompanied by former Elroy librarian Mary Waarvik and long-time Elroy resident (and India native) Ajoy Chakraborti.

The trip had been inspired by a lecture series Preuss had overseen as part of the Elroy Library's Keep Educating Yourself, or KEY, program. Prior to this series, Waarvik had never considered visiting India, but the lectures had sparked her curiosity—and she wasn't the only one.

Chakraborti, who had been living in Elroy for roughly fifteen years as a metallurgy engineer for Bruners', offered to serve as a guide for Preuss and Waarvik, and the three began to plan their trip.

They left on September 11 and planned on staying in India for three weeks as they toured through the country. While there, they visited a plethora of monasteries, temples, and other religious sites. They took in the famed 'Golden Triangle,' which is a well-known tourist circuit connecting the cities of Delhi, Agra, and Jaipur.

They took in popular tourist destinations such as the Lotus Temple, the Pink City, and the world-famous Taj Mahal. They even spent some time in the Indian portions of the Himalayas, near the Kashmir and Jammu region. While the U.S. State Department has

warned U.S. travelers away from this area, due to civil unrest and instability in the region, Preuss and her cohort decided to take the chance.

For Preuss, getting a firsthand look at the diversity of cultures and religious practices in India was perhaps the most fascinating part of the trip.

Preuss first regaled locals with tales of her experiences back in October, a couple of weeks after she'd returned home. She'd presented on her trip at the Elroy Library, and at the time had been talking with the Hillsboro Library about perhaps speaking there as well.

The Hillsboro Library hosts monthly 'Drop Ins,' which consist of presentations put on by a variety of guest speakers on a wide range of topics. In the past, the library has hosted presentations on how to protect yourself from identity theft, local authors and their work, and dives into local history presented by local experts. Just last month, in March, Hillsboro resident Dave Popp presented on his own travel experiences in Africa.

Preuss will be presenting on her trip on Thursday, April 18, beginning at 6:30P.M. in the community room of the Hillsboro Library. This presentation is free to attend and open to the public, so all are welcome. If you're interested by India or have considered visiting the country yourself, you're likely to enjoy what Preuss has to



Kari Preuss and Mary Waarvik pose with a local on the back of an Indian elephant. These elephants are one of three recognized subspecies of the Asian elephant and is one of India's most prevalent cultural symbols, designated as the country's national heritage animal. Contributed photo.

say. Even those who have never considered traveling to India

or who don't think they'd be interested may want to stop in for this drop in—after all,

Waarvik had also never been much interested in India until she took some time to learn

a bit about it. Who knows, you may very well find your curiosity sparked, too!

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- APRIL 11 FFA Connect (9-10) Conference Edge (7-8) Conference (Chula Vista, WI Dells)
W-C/Hillsboro Golf Varsity @Coulee Golf 4 p.m.
Hillsboro Varsity Baseball & Softball Wonevoc-Center @ Hillsboro 5 p.m.
Royall Baseball & Softball Bangor @ Royall 5 p.m.
Hillsboro Public Library YOUNG ADULT (12-17 YO) Game Night 4 p.m.
- APRIL 12 Hillsboro Public Library "Stories for Spouts" 0-4 Years, 10:30 a.m.
FFA Connect (9-10) Conference Edge (7-8) Conference (Chula Vista, WI Dells)
Hillsboro Baseball & Softball @DeSoto (Stoddard) 5 p.m.
Royall Softball Varsity @LaFarge 4:30 p.m.
- APRIL 13 Hillsboro, Royall & W-C Track @New Lisbon 9 a.m.
54th Annual Community Kendall FUN FEST Silent Auction, Live Auction, & Raffles and Food by Kendall Lions, doors open 5 p.m.
- APRIL 15 Wonevoc American Legion has Euchre at noon
Hillsboro Baseball & Softball ANecedah @ Hillsboro 5 p.m.
W-C Varsity Baseball & Softball @ Bangor 5 p.m.
Royall Varsity Baseball & Softball Brookwood @ Royall 5 p.m.
- APRIL 16 Hillsboro, Royall & W-C JrHi Track @Mauston 4:30 p.m.
FFA MIDDLE School Essay Contest
W-C/Hillsboro Golf JV & V @Fox Hollow 4 p.m.
Hillsboro & W-C Track @ Kickapoo 4 p.m.
Hillsboro Varsity Baseball & Softball @ LaFarge 5 p.m.
Royall Baseball & Softball @Pittsville 4:45 p.m.
- APRIL 17 & APRIL 18 Blood Center of Wisconsin Blood Drive at Mile Bluff Medical Center, Mauston, appointments are recommended 1-877-232-4376 but walk-ins Are Welcome From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- APRIL 18 W-C/Hillsboro Golf Varsity @Arcadia 4 p.m.
W-C Baseball & Softball Necedah at W-C 5 p.m.
Hillsboro Baseball & Softball @ New Lisbon 5 p.m.
Royall Baseball & Softball @Cashton @ Elroy 5 p.m.
Hillsboro Track @Boscobel 4 p.m.
- APRIL 19 State FFA Career Development Essays Day 1 (Ag Com, Ag Mech & TECH, Ag Sales, Horse) Madison Hillsboro JrHi Track @Cashton 4 p.m.
FFA TBA State Envirothon @ Rosholt
HILLSBORO HS PROM 7 P.M.
- APRIL 20 Hillsboro, Royall & W-C Track Invitational @ Cashton 9 a.m.
Royall Varsity Baseball & Softball Triangular Melrose-Mindoro 10 a.m.
Wonevoc American Legion Euchre Tournament \$10 per person, doors open 9 a.m. Games start 10 a.m.
- APRIL 21 Hillsboro Lions BINGO at Fireman's Community Center 1 p.m. Sharp, 11:30 a.m. Lunch Available (Last one until September 1st at Fireman's Park 1 p.m.
- APRIL 22 Wonevoc American Legion has Euchre at noon
W-C/Hillsboro Golf JV @ Coulee Golf 4 p.m.
W-C Baseball & Softball @Brookwood 5 p.m.
Royall Baseball & Softball @Hillsboro 5 p.m.
- APRIL 23 Hillsboro Baseball & Softball Royall @Hillsboro 5 p.m.
Hillsboro, Royall & W-C Jr/Hi Track @ New Lisbon 4 p.m..
W-C Varsity Baseball & Softball LaFarge @ W-C 5 p.m.
Royall Varsity Track Invite @Mauston 4 p.m.
- APRIL 24 W-C/Hillsboro Golf JV @ Lake Arrowhead 10 a.m.
- APRIL 25 State FFA Career Development Day 2
Hillsboro & W-C Track @Royall 4 p.m.
W-C Baseball & Softball @New Lisbon 5 p.m.
W-C/Hillsboro Golf Varsity @ Ettrick 4 p.m.
- APRIL 27 Hillsboro Baseball & Softball Bangor @Hillsboro 5 p.m.
Hillsboro Softball @Cobb 9 a.m.
Elroy SPRING FLING fundraiser, Spring Parade, EAC doing a Beer & Wine Walk, Elroy Ambulance is doing a Craft Fair, And more to come!
- APRIL 29 Wonevoc American Legion has Euchre at noon
Hillsboro Baseball & Softball @ Brookwood 5 p.m.
W-C, Royall & Hillsboro JrHi Track @Kickapoo 4 p.m.
W-C Varsity Baseball & Softball Cashton @ W-C 5 p.m.
W-C/Hillsboro Golf Varsity & JV @Viroqua 4 p.m.
- APRIL 30 Hillsboro JrHi Baseball Viroqua @Hillsboro 4:30 p.m.
- MAY 1 MAY DAY!
W-C/Hillsboro Varsity Golf @Lake Arrowhead 10 a.m.
- MAY 2 Hillsboro & W-C Track @Hillsboro 4:15 p.m.
W-C/Hillsboro Golf Varsity @ Northern Bay 9 a.m.
W-C/Hillsboro Golf JV @Ettrick 4:30 p.m.
Royall Varsity Baseball & Softball @W-C 5 p.m.
Hillsboro Baseball & Softball @Cashton 5 p.m.
Hillsboro JrHi Softball @Kickapoo 4:30 p.m.
- MAY 3 Hillsboro Public Library Movie 1 p.m.
Hillsboro Softball @ North Crawford 5 p.m.
- MAY 4 Hillsboro Baseball Boscobel @Hillsboro 10 a.m.
- MAY 6 Wonevoc American Legion has Euchre at noon
W-C/Hillsboro Golf JV @ 4:30 p.m.
Hillsboro Baseball & Softball @W-C 5 p.m.
Hillsboro Track & Field @ Viroqua 4 :15 p.m.
- MAY 7 W-C/Hillsboro Golf @Castle Rock Varsity 4:30 p.m.
Hillsboro Baseball & Softball @Necedah 5 p.m.
- MAY 8 Hillsboro Public Library Author Armbuster on book "Tailspin" Will be at the Library 1 p.m.
- MAY 9 Hillsboro Baseball & Softball New Lisbon @ Hillsboro 5 p.m.
W-C/Hillsboro Golf @Skyline Varsity 4:30 p.m.
- MAY 10 Hillsboro Track & Field @Boscobel 3:30 p.m.
- MAY 13 W-C/Hillsboro Golf @Skyline JV 4:30 p.m.
Hillsboro Baseball & Softball @Royall 5 p.m.
- MAY 14 W-C/Hillsboro Golf Conference @Coulee Golf 11 a.m
- May 20 Hillsboro Baseball @North Crawford 5 p.m.
- MAY 23 W-C/Hillsboro Golf Regionals TBD
- MAY 25 HILLSBORO HS GRADUATION
- MAY 30 W-C/Golf Sectionals @ Lawsonia-Green Lake



The Hillsboro Woman's Civic Club hosted their annual Good Friday Pie Sale on Friday, March 29. As usual, the community was quick to turn up and get their hands on a selection of tasty homemade pies to enjoy over the holiday weekend. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.



Jody Buddenhagen is fundraising for her last mission trip to Eswatini next year. As part of her efforts, she hosted a silent auction and bake sale at the Hillsboro Community Center on Saturday, April 6. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.



Busy Bee Valley Farm and Boutique set up a table outside of the Corkscrew Wine bar in Wonevoc on Saturday, April 6. The pop-up shop sold a variety of baked goods, farm fresh eggs, and jams—and the local community just about cleaned them out! Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.



Students in Laurie Osborne's fifth grade class had the opportunity to visit Gundersen St. Joseph's Hospital in Hillsboro last week as part of the hospital's Healthy Habits program. The program provides students with an opportunity to learn more about wellness exams, healthy lifestyles, and overall wellness. These kids even got to peek behind the curtain, so to speak, and get a look at the hospital's lab! Contributed photo.

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St. Jerome's Church holds fundraising dinner for new ceiling

By NICOLETTE NAUMAN
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Back in February, Father Don Bauer made a surprising discovery. When he stepped inside the St. Jerome Catholic Church in Wonewoc, he found that the church's drop ceiling had begun to fail. A section in the back right, as one faces the altar, had begun to collapse.

Bauer and the Parish Pastoral Council opted to close the church immediately, first due to concerns regarding potential asbestos exposure and then to focus on clean up and repairs. The church remains closed, with parishioners attending church services at neighboring St. Aloysius in Hillsboro until the ceiling can be repaired.

The Parish Pastoral Council is currently comparing contractors to determine who they should work with over the course of the repairs. The cost of repairing the ceiling, which volunteers from the parish helped remove in its entirety, is likely to be high. The Hillsboro Knights of Columbus has donated \$3,000 to help with costs, and the church plans to dip into its existing savings. St. Jerome's hosted an 'Italian Night' pasta dinner on Saturday, April 6, to help raise additional funds for the project.

Due to a discovery regarding the failed panels, in which nails were used in the failing portion rather than the requisite screws, the church's insurance will not be covering the costs of the repair. They cited 'improper installation' as their reasoning.

At the moment, the Parish Pastoral Council has been discussing using the ceiling's collapse as an opportunity to open up the church's ceiling a



Following the collapse of a portion of their church ceiling, the congregation of St. Jerome's hosted a pasta dinner fundraiser to help raise funds to cover the costs of a new ceiling. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.

bit, though no final decisions have been made at this point.

The collapse of the ceiling did reveal some fascinating bits of the church's history that had been hidden up to this point, such as a fresco painted onto the church's lathe and plaster back in 1933.

If you were unable to attend the church's fundraising event on Saturday, April 6, but would still like to donate towards the cost of the new ceiling, donations can be mailed to the St. Jerome Parish at P.O. Box 466, Hillsboro, WI, 54634-0466.



Members of both the church and the community gathered at the St. Jerome community hall on Saturday, April 6, to enjoy an Italian Night dinner and help raise funds for the church's new ceiling. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.

Kurtz announces re-election bid for 41st Assembly District

By NICOLETTE NAUMAN
Sentry-Enterprise Editor

On Thursday, March 21, Representative Tony Kurtz (R-Wonewoc) announced his bid to seek re-election to the Wisconsin State Assembly. However, due to recent changes to Wisconsin's legislative maps, Kurtz will not be seeking re-election to the 50th Assembly District. Instead, he will now be seeking



State Representative Tony Kurtz will be seeking re-election for the new 41st Assembly District in the 2024 election cycle. Contributed photo.

Freedom, Washington, Westfield, Winfield, and Woodland.

For Vernon County, only Viola is included in the new 41st Assembly District. Portions of Columbia County include Wisconsin Dells and Newport, and portions of Adams County include Wisconsin Dells, Dell Prairie, Easton, New Haven, and Springville.

Kurtz began his career with the state legislature back in 2018, when he was first elected to represent the 50th Assembly District. He won re-election in 2022, defeating Democratic challenger Michael Leuth with 64.5% of the vote.

Since 2021, Kurtz has been assigned to the Joint Finance and Finance Committees. In his first year with the Assembly, Kurtz served on the Agriculture, Corrections, Mining and Rural Development, Veterans and Military Affairs, and Environment Committees. He also served on the Health Committee, where he was vice-chair.

Partisan primaries will be held in August of this year, with the general election scheduled for November 5 of this year. More information regarding Kurtz's campaign, as well as those of any challengers either within the Republican Party or from the Democratic Party, will be released as the election cycle progresses.

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CAREER FAIR
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businesses to this year's fair, such as Kwik Trip and Ornuva. This year will see a greater variety of businesses involved, Brown has indicated. Kwik Trip and Ornuva are just two examples. In an effort to help students engage more with the various businesses, Brown has devised a career bingo game for them to play. The game provides students with some ideas to 'break the ice' with representatives and will help guide them in learning more about the businesses in this year's fair. Some students aren't sure how to go about opening a dialogue with a business representative and may not know which questions to ask—Brown hopes this bingo game will help them navigate the experience more productively. For this year, the fair is open primarily to high school students, with the various grades from each school scheduled to visit during specified time slots. In the

future, Brown may consider opening the fair up to middle school students as well, but for now her focus is on high school, where students are closer to graduation and are starting to think more concretely on their future plans and goals. Seniors will have the opportunity to begin filling out applications, as there are a number of graduating seniors who opt to go straight into the workforce rather than attend college. Juniors can learn more about job shadowing opportunities, which will give them the chance to test out a particular career or business while they finish school. Freshmen and sophomores, who may not quite be at the stage where they're focusing more on their post-graduation plans, will have the opportunity to explore the various opportunities available in their local communities. The career fair will take place on Monday, April 29, from 10:00A.M. until 3:00P.M.

Viroqua business owner announces bid for 96th Assembly District

By NICOLETTE NAUMAN
Sentry-Enterprise Editor



Steve Campbell, a Viroqua business owner, has announced his intentions to seek election to the 96th Assembly District seat in the upcoming election cycle. Contributed photo.

A new challenger has declared their intent to seek election to the State Assembly and represent the 96th Assembly District. Steve Campbell is a Viroqua business owner and resident. He grew up in the Viroqua area, attending and graduating from the Viroqua School District before going to pursue a degree through the University of Wisconsin – La Crosse.

In the statement Campbell released announcing his intent to run, he highlights his past experiences as a caregiver, bartender, and teacher's aide. Upon graduating from UW – La Crosse, Campbell continued to work with people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, eventually opening a business, Campbell Family Homes, focused on providing services to those dealing with various levels of disability. In addition, Campbell owns Viroqua Variety, a small variety store located along Main Street in Viroqua. Campbell also serves on both the City of Viroqua's Sign Design Review Board and on the Viroqua Chamber of Commerce Board. In his campaign announcement, Campbell has highlighted multiple areas which he would like to focus on should he be re-elected. These areas include healthcare, economic development, advocacy for more affordable housing and childcare options, restoring funding to public

schools, protecting women's rights, and supporting area farmers. "With all the partisan gridlock slowing progress in our state, it sometimes feels as though our elected officials have forgotten who they work for," says Campbell. "I intend to go to Madison and remind them."

Campbell will be pursuing his campaign through the Democratic Party, where he will be included on the party's ballot during the August partisan primaries. As of April 1, Campbell is the sole Democratic challenger to the seat.

Loren Oldenburg, the district's current representative, announced in March that he would be seeking re-election to the 96th Assembly District. Oldenburg will be looking to secure a fourth term in the state legislature.

Colonoscopies essential in detecting possible cancer diagnosis

It's not a widely known fact, but colon cancer is the third-leading cause of cancer death in both men and women. Because of this, officials at Gundersen Health System are emphasizing the importance of regular screening to make sure any sign of the disease is addressed immediately.

March is Colon Cancer Awareness Month, and Gundersen gastroenterologist Dr. Steve Schlack-Haerer says it's a good time to schedule a colonoscopy if you're due. He says this screening method is the most effective option when it comes to detecting a polyp before it turns into a tumorous cancer. And just recently, the average age for a person to get their first colonoscopy dropped from 50 to 45.

"The screening recommendations have changed because we're seeing an increase in colon cancer in that 45- to 49-year-old range," Dr. Schlack-Haerer says. "Now 45 is the new 50."

Having the screening done every 10 years is the recommendation, regardless of if you have symptoms or not. Obvious signs that you should pay attention to include abdominal pain, blood in the stool or a change in bowel pattern.

Family history plays a large role in determining risks factors, and it could move up the age at which testing begins, especially for those with close relatives who've had colon cancer. But most cases, Dr. Schlack-Haerer says, are what's known as "sporadic colon cancer," which affects people without a family history or other risk factors for the disease.

"The reality is, it's a risk for males and females and can happen at any age," he says. "We'll occasionally, unfortunately, find colon



Dr. Steve Schlack-Haerer, gastroenterologist at Gundersen Health System. Contributed photo.

cancer in people with no risk factors whatsoever and as early as 20s and 30s."

Luckily if the disease is caught early, meaning it hasn't spread outside the wall of the colon, the five-year mortality rate is better than 90 percent. If it's progressed further and spreads locally, chemotherapy may follow a surgical procedure to move the lesions. Should the cancer spread more widely, Dr. Schlack-Haerer says, the prognosis is much poorer.

"We have such a long screening window, longer than any other malignancy out there, and so we really have an opportunity to make a major difference on this," he says. "We owe this to screening."

And a colonoscopy, he assures, is not as unpleasant as popular opinion might suggest. Patients are sedated and the process is more comfortable than presumed. "Don't fear the test," he says. "We do a lot of good with this test, and it's the best way to keep you from getting colon cancer."

To schedule a colonoscopy, talk to your primary care provider or call Gundersen's Gastroenterology Department at (608) 775-2702.

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WONEWOC Calendar of Events

APRIL 11	W-C Baseball & Softball @Hillsboro 5 p.m. W-C/Hillsboro Golf @ Coulee Golf (Varsity 4 p.m.)
APRIL 13	W-C, Royall & Hillsboro Track Invitational @New Lisbon 9 a.m. 54th Annual Community Kendall FUN FEST with silent auction, Live auction, raffles and Food by Kendall Lions, doors open 5 p.m.
APRIL 15	American Legion has Euchre at noon W-C Baseball & Softball @Bangor 5 p.m. W-C, Royall & Hillsboro JRHI Track @Mauston 4:30 p.m. W-C School Board Meeting
APRIL 16	W-C/Hillsboro Golf @Fox Hollow (Var. & JV 4 p.m.) W-C & Hillsboro Track @Kickapoo 4 p.m.
APRIL 17	W-C NHS Banquet
APRIL 17 & 18	Blood Center of Wisconsin Blood Drive at Mile Bluff Medical Center, Mauston
APRIL 18	W-C Baseball & Softball Necedah @W-C 5 p.m. W-C/Hillsboro Golf @Arcadia (Var. 4 p.m.)
APRIL 19	W-C Baseball & Softball
APRIL 20	W-C Track @Cashton 9 a.m. W-C YOUTH Volleyball Tournament@ W-C
APRIL 21	Hillsboro Lions Bingo at Hillsboro Community Center 1 p.m., lunch available 11:30 p.m. Progressive Bingo \$800-Last Bingo until 9/1/24
APRIL 22	W-C Baseball & Softball @Brookwood 5 p.m. W-C/Hillsboro Golf @ Coulee Golf (JV 4 p.m.)
APRIL 23	W-C Baseball & Softball La Farge @W-C 5 p.m. W-C Track @ Mauston 4 p.m. W-C JRHI Track @New Lisbon 4 p.m.
APRIL 24	No school /Teacher Inservice W-C/Hillsboro Golf @Lake Arrowhead (JV @10 a.m.)
APRIL 25	W-C Baseball & Softball @New Lisbon 5 p.m. W-C/Hillsboro Golf @Ettrick (Var@ 4 p.m.) W-C Track @Royall 4 p.m.
APRIL 29	W-C Baseball & Softball Cashton @W-C 5 p.m. W-C/Hillsboro Golf @ Viroqua (Var & JV @4 p.m.) W-C JRHI Track @Kickapoo 4 p.m.
APRIL 30	W-C Varsity Baseball
MAY 1	W-C/Hillsboro Golf@Lake Arrowhead (Varsity @10 a.m.)
MAY 2	W-C Track @Hillsboro 4:15 p.m. W-C Baseball & Softball @ Royall 5 p.m. W-C/Hillsboro Golf @Northern Bay (Var @ 9 a.m.) W-C/Hillsboro Golf @ Ettrick (JV 4:30 p.m.) W-C JRHI Track @Hillsboro 4 p.m.
MAY 3	W-C Track @Riverdale 10 a.m. State Solo & Ensemble
MAY 4	W-C Softball Varsity Tournament
MAY 5	W-C FFA Highway Cleanup
MAY 6	W-C Baseball & Softball Hillsboro @ W-C 5 p.m. W-C/Hillsboro Golf @ Castle Rock (JV @ 4:30 p.m.)
MAY 7	W-C JHI Track @Royall 4 p.m. W-C Track @Tomah 4 p.m. W-C Baseball & Softball Bangor @ W-C 5 p.m. W-C/Hillsboro Golf Castle Rock (Var @4:30 p.m.)
MAY 8	AP Literature and Comp Exam Family Engagement Night
MAY 9	W-C JRHI Track @Viroqua 4:15 p.m. W-C Baseball & Softball @Necedah 5:30 p.m. W-C/Hillsboro Golf @Skyline (Var 4:30 p.m.)
MAY 10	W-C Track @Adams-Friendship 4 p.m. AP US History Exam Elementary Spring Program
MAY 11	W-C HS PROM
MAY 13	W-C Baseball & Softball Brookwood @W-C 5 p.m. W-C/Hillsboro Golf Skyline (JV @4:30 p.m.)
MAY 14	W-C Track Conference @Royall 4 p.m. W-C/Hillsboro Golf Conference @Coulee Golf 11 a.m.
MAY 16	W-C JRHI Track @Bangor 4 p.m. AP Biology Exam
MAY 17	W-C MS/HS Spring Concert
MAY 20	W-C Track Regionals @Cashton W-C School Board Meeting
MAY 22	W-C Senior Banquet
MAY 23	W-C Track @Sectionals @ Bangor W-C Golf Regionals (TBD)
MAY 16, 21, 23	Softball Regionals
MAY 22	W-C Senior Banquet
MAY 23, 28	Baseball Regionals
MAY 25	W-C High School Graduation
MAY 27	Memorial Day NO SCHOOL
MAY 28	W-C/HILLSBORO Golf Sectionals @ (Lawsonia-Green Lake)
MAY 31	W-C Middle School Graduation

ELROY Calendar of Events

APRIL 11	Royall Baseball & Softball Bangor @ Royall 5 p.m.
APRIL 12	Mile Bluff, Mauston Health Fair 7 a.m. to 11 a.m.
APRIL 13	Royall Varsity Softball @La Farge 4:30 p.m. Royall, Hillsboro & W-C Varsity Track Invitational @New Lisbon 9 a.m. 54th Annual Community Kendall FUN FEST with Silent Auction, Live Auction, Raffles and Food by Kendall Lions At the Community Hall Doors open 5 p.m.
APRIL 14	COWBOY CHURCH will be at First Congregational Church, Hillsboro with Monty Berger at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome
APRIL 15	Wonewoc American Legion has Euchre at noon Royall Varsity Baseball & Softball Brookwood @ Royall 5 p.m. Royall, Hillsboro & W-C JRHI Track Invitational @Mauston 4:30 p.m.
APRIL 16	Royall Baseball & Softball @Pittsville 4:45 p.m.
APRIL 17	Wonewoc American Legion has BINGO
APRIL 17 & 18	Blood Center of Wisconsin blood drive at Mile Bluff Medical Center, Mauston 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
APRIL 18	Royall Baseball & Softball Cashton @Royall 5 p.m. School early release day
APRIL 20	Royall, Hillsboro & W-C Track Invitational @Cashton 9 a.m. Wonewoc American Legion Euchre Tournament \$10 Person, doors open 9 a.m., games start 10 a.m. Royall Baseball Triangular Melrose-Mindoro, Weston @Royall 10 a.m.
APRIL 21	Hillsboro Lions BINGO at Hillsboro Community Center 1 p.m., lunch available 11:30 p.m. \$800 Progressive Bingo Last Lions Bingo until September 1st
APRIL 22	Wonewoc American Legion has Euchre at noon Royall Baseball & Softball @Hillsboro 5 p.m.
APRIL 23	Royall Varsity Track Invitational @Mauston 4 p.m. Royall JRHI Track Invitational @New Lisbon 4 p.m.
APRIL 25	State FFA Career Development Day Royall, Hillsboro & W-C Track @Royall 4 p.m. Royall Baseball & Softball @Necedah 5 p.m. Royall Varsity Softball Adams-Friendship
APRIL 26	Elroy SPRING FLING FUNDRAISER, Spring Parade, EAC Beer & Wine Walk, Elroy Ambulance is doing a Craft Fair, and more to come
April 27	
APRIL 29	Wonewoc American Legion has Euchre at noon Royall, Hillsboro & W-C JRHI Track @Kickapoo 4 p.m.
APRIL 30	Track Varsity Meet
MAY 2	Royall Varsity Track Invitational Royall Baseball & Softball @W-C 5 p.m.
MAY 3	Royall JRHI Track Invitational
May 4	Royall Varsity Baseball Tournament @Mauston 10 a.m. Wonewoc American Legion has Bingo
MAY 6	Wonewoc American Legion has Euchre at noon Royall, Hillsboro & W-C Track @ Viroqua 4:15 p.m. Royall Baseball & Softball @ Bangor 5 p.m.
MAY 7	Royall Baseball & Softball @Brookwood 5 p.m. Royall JRHI Track Invitational @Royall 4 p.m.
May 8	Hillsboro Public Library will have Author Armbruster On book "TAILSPIN" at 1 p.m.
MAY 9	Royall Track Invitational 4 p.m. Royall Baseball & Softball @Cashton 5 p.m. Royall & Softball Hillsboro @Royall 5 p.m.
MAY 13	Varsity Track Conference Meet @Royall 4 p.m.
MAY 14	Royall JRHI Track Meet 4 p.m.
MAY 16	Wonewoc American Legion has Bingo
MAY 22	Last Day of School for Students

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U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin paid a visit to Richland Center on Thursday, March 28, as part of her Dairyland Tour. While in Richland Center, she stopped by a few local businesses and spoke with some of the owners. Pictured, Senator Baldwin (back left) speaks with Jim Bailey (front center) and son Steve Bailey (back right), owners of Bailey's Painting and Decorating. Not pictured is Patty Bailey, Jim Bailey's wife. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.



Richland Center mayor Todd Coppernoll (left) led U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin (right) on a walking tour of the city's downtown businesses, beginning with the Richland Family Restaurant. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.



Upon arriving at the polls, voters were asked to present their photo I.D. to poll workers Monica Steinerson and Amy Smith. Once Monica and Amy got them checked in, voters would pick up their ballot from Christi Kouba and Donna Schneider, who were also part of the morning crew. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.



Some voters hit the polls early, deciding to cast their ballots before heading into work. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.

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Hillsboro Easter Egg Hunt



The Easter Bunny was around during this year's Easter Egg Hunt in Albert Field Park to hand out some extra treats—and offer a high five when asked! Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.

After the hunt concluded, the 21 special prize winners lined up for a group photo. This year's winners were: Esther Kreg, Westin Conley Tassia Dunek, Harper Schiefelbein, Hunter Landsinger, Piper Elliott, Emersyn Fry, Colt Rhodes, Beau Sullivan, Jordy Zant, Tiraissa Monscoso, Brecklyn Klick, Margo Landsinger, Austin Fronk, Miles Hurst, Gemma Dunek, Landrie Hammer, Ella Fry, Gage Ahorner, Ellie Benish, and Beckett Erickson. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.



Wonevoo-Center Easter Egg Hunt



After filling up their baskets, kids could meet the Easter Bunny. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.

The smallest children were let into the egg hunting area first, being directed by their parents or guardians over into the designated area for their age group. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.

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Elroy Easter Egg Hunt

Kalli, left, watches as her daughters Avery and Tenley hunt for eggs just outside the Elroy Legion Hall. Photo taken by Joshua Leach, HSE Reporter.

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