

Sam Votava who recently committed to play at Concordia College, sets up the play against Ada-Borup.

## **Boys basketball** make waves off the court

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Senior High boys basketball split its games this week falling to Bagley 57-45 and topping Ada-Borup 81-60. But it was perhaps their off-court actions in Bagley that showed the true spirit of this team.

Tuesday night in Bagley the Green Wave didn't play their best game of the year.

"I thought that we played flat a lot of that game," says Green Wave Head Coach Josh Perkerewicz, "Give Bagley credit their zone gave us problems at times and we just didn't bring enough energy in the game. We got out rebounded. We just got out hustled by them in

every asset of the game." However, before the game the Green Wave

stepped up their game. "We rode into Bagley, and we turned towards the school, and there was a you know a traffic jam of some kind," recounts Coach Perkerewicz. "We were sitting there waiting we couldn't see in front of us. All of a sudden it was our turn. And we saw a car that was stuck in the middle of the road."

to pull over and I ran out asked the lady if she needed some help. She kind of hesitated, and I said, we'll come, we'll help you. We grabbed everyone off the bus. I only needed a couple guys but the whole team came out there and we pushed her back out of the ways just so

"I told the bus driver just

guess is she's probably been there for 10 or 15 minutes waiting for somebody to come help her. Cars are just going around her and we just, we did the right thing."

They continued on to the school to go on about their day like nothing happened when the news hit twitter.

An employee at Garden Valley Telephone quickly sent out the following messaged Tri-Angle which was then posted on Twitter: "I just wanted to share a

heartwarming story. I work at Garden Valley Technologies in the Bagley office. Today as I was sitting in my office I saw one of your busses drive by rather close to a vehicle slowly which prompted me to get up to see what was going on. There was a vehicle stranded in the northbound lane. The second bus (bus 83) was behind the stranded vehicle and I saw someone run up to the window and quickly ask what they could do to help. I couldn't hear the stranded driver's response but saw that person quickly run back to the bus at which point a flood of young men came running out and helped to push the vehicle backwards to the curb out of the way of oncoming traffic in the frigid cold. They then quickly boarded the bus again and were on their way. They didn't have to stop nor did they have to help but all of them seemed happy and willing and it made me smile and I

am certain that the lady in

appreciated the help as well!"

Friday night senior High got back in the win column when they hosted Ada-

Leading 44-30 at the break Senior High expanded their lead in the second half.

"We challenged our guys all week. We have to we have to hold our hat on the defensive side of the ball and if our defense is playing well, our offense will flow from there," says Coach Perkerewicz. "We really set the tone defensively. I thought Sam (Votava) did a nice job of inserting himself early in the first half. And everyone kind of just got on his back and followed him and we kind of coasted in that second half, because of our defense."

Senior High 45 Bagley 57

Senior High - Sam Votava 13, Tanner Campos 9, Cole Gerber 4, Jeremiah Haavig 4, Tyson Mahar

Bagley - Kenly Gordon 16, Remington Aufforth 9, Alec Norum 15, Dante Frank 2, Jaxsyn Lewis 3 Ada-Borup 60

Senior High 81

Ada-Borup - Aiden Marcussen 2, Ryan Engel 2, Cameron Spaeth 3, Weston Winfrey 9, Evan Devos 1, Beau Fetting 3, Austin McCraven 2, Cadyn Dahl 17, Alex Sterton 3, Charlie Scholl 16, Wyatt Larson 2 Senior High - Drew Carpenter 2, Jonathan Kruger 5, Joey Votava 2, Carter Vasek 9, Sam Votava 21, Tanner Campos 19, Cole Gerber 4, Jeremiah Haavig 8, Tyson Mahar 1, Spencer Egeland 3, Caleb Zejdlik 3, Jacob Curtis 2, Cooper Smith 2

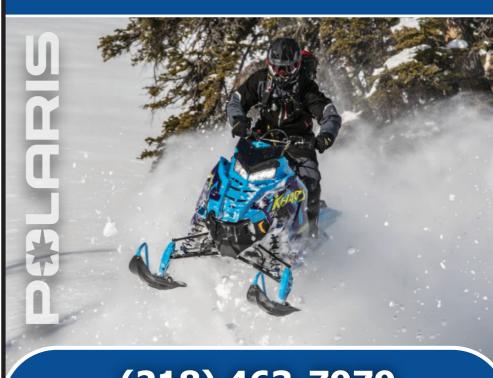
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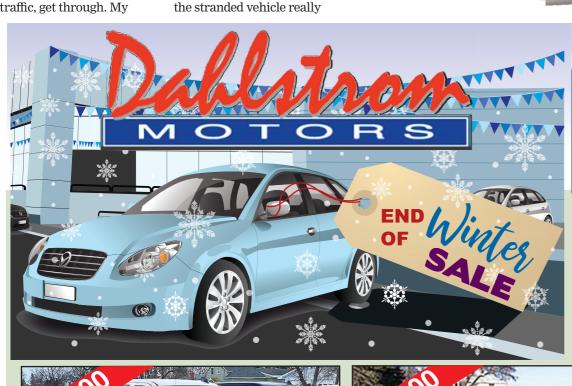
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