NOTICE AND ORDER FOR HEARING ON PETITION FOR SUMMARY ASSIGNMENT

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STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF HENNEPIN

FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT PROBATE/MENTAL HEALTH

Court File No. 27-PA-PR-21-1453

IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS GIVEN that due to the COVID-19

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DISTRICT COURT

In re the Estate of:

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DIVISION

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# Stars boys soccer earns runner-up trophy

### 3rd-minute goal dooms Holy Angels in state final

By **Jason Olson** 

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8001 a hearing will be heard remotely on **December 8,2021 at 11:00 a.m.** by this Court. Notice is given that a petition has been tiled requesting that the Estate assets be summarily assigned and distributed without probate administration. Any objections to the petition must be tiled with the Court prior to the hearing. If proper, and if no objections or claims are tiled, the Court may issue a decree distributing or assigning the Estate's assets.

The court will notify attorney Stephen M. Meisinger with further information regarding remotely attending this hearing at least two business days prior. If you wish to appear at the hearing, please contact the court by phone at (612) 348-6000 so that arrangements can be made for you to appear.

If you object to the relief sought, you must file a written objection with the court by 4:30 p.m. on December 7, 2021. Due to the pandemic, in person objections are not currently being accepted. Written objections not filed by the ordered date and time will not be considered. Written objections may be filed with the required filing fee one of three ways: 1) Mailed to Hennepin County District Court -Probate/Mental Health Division, 300 South Sixth Street - C4 Govt. Ctr., Minneapolis, MN 55487-0340; or 2) Electronically filed using the electronic filing system; or 3) Emailed as a PDF attachment to HennepinCountyProbateCourt@courts.state.mn.us.
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that

notice shall be given by: 1) publication once a week for two consecutive weeks in a legal newspaper in Hennepin County, the last publication of which is to be at least ten (10) days before the deadline for objections; and 2) mailing via U.S. Postal Service a copy of this Notice and Order postmarked at least fourteen (14) days prior to the deadline for objections to all interested persons as defined in Minnesota Statutes § 524.1-401 and persons who have filed a demand for notice pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 524.3-204. Any charitable beneficiary may request notice of the probate proceeding be given to the attorney general pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 501B.41, subdivision 5. Dated: November 2, 2021

BY THE COURT: Bv: /s/ Philip C. Caruthers The Honorable Philip C Carruthers
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Holy Angels boys soccer added a runner-up trophy to go with the 2019 Class A state title and fourth-place trophy in 2018 following an eventful 1-0 loss to Orono (20-1-1) during Saturday's Class AA state championship game played at U.S. Bank Stadium.

The Spartans used a long throw-in from Ben Halloff in the third minute to take two bounces and deflect off the inside of the far post for what turned out to be the only goal of the contest.

Nine minutes into the second half Stars goalkeeper Landen Kampf made a sprawling save to his right off a perfectly set-up crossing pass from Franklin Schwendimann to a diving Ben Summers near the penalty dot.

The Stars (15-4-2) tried to break through the Orono backline with everything they had but in the end, the Spartans' defense stood tall in front of goalkeeper Peter Nicklow, who made two saves for the shutout.

Stars coach James See said the lack of more offense as a result of both sides playing with five midfielders, or a 3-5-2 formation.

'There's a little bit of hesitation on the ball from both groups but that is indicative of the physicality of the game in a good way," See said. "Kids can close down space, (be) good in the air and difficult to get around."

See said the philosophy revolves around handling critical moments of the game and finding a goal by halftime, "so you don't have to chase a game. We prepped on the long throw again this morning and to concede that in the third minute, it is going to be a long uphill battle.'



Holy Angels senior Aidan Smith, left, tries to cut the ball along the end line late in the Class AA state championship game at U.S. Bank Stadium. He had three goals in the 3-2 semifinal win over Mahtomedi Nov. 3.

In the play, See said the detail that was missed was not having a player protecting the back post.

"That's a frustrating detail to lose, especially since set-pieces are a big part of us and you can make any game competitive when you can do that," See said.

Losing key starting fullbacks Freddie Lang and Everett Hoeppner in the section final against Richfield made it that much tougher,, according to See.

'I'm excited they were happy to adapt to get something out of it," See said, calling out junior Mitch Lovett, who spent the entire season at junior varsity but stepped into a varsity role when it was needed most. "He played 90 percent of the game out of the back and did a

fantastic job."

Senior class contributors like midfielders Aidan Smith, Shalim Montes Hernandez and Ryan Welsch, forward Carter Hermanson, defender Noah Hermanson each played a crucial role throughout the state tournament run into the final.

Noah Hermanson joined the push for a goal over the final 15 minutes using give-and-go passes or closing defensively to try and regain the ball to jumpstart the counterattack.

Smith continued to make runs into the Orono defensive third of the field but the defense was there to deny those chances.

"We had the sense of urgency as time-crunched down and I felt we brought that but we just

couldn't get one," Noah Hermanson said.

"We struggled to have that one focal point over the final 10 minutes," See said, pointing to a couple of chances and two setpieces but they couldn't put those chances on the target.

Montes Hernandez said the team faced a lot of bumps throughout the season and saw a turning point in the season at the beginning of October. "We started to play together as a team and there was no stopping," he said. "We couldn't win it but we made this season [last] as long as possible."

#### **Semifinals**

Smith scored all three goals for the Stars in a 3-2 win over Mahtomedi in the state semifinal on Nov. 3 at U.S.

Bank Stadium.

He converted the opening goal in the 29th minute off a free kick from about 20 yards out. He put the shot around the three-man wall and inside the near post for a 1-0 lead. He added a penalty kick in the 49th minute to make it 2-0 and a clever run with Carter Hermanson through traffic in the middle of the field before unleashing a low, hard shot past the Zephyrs' goalkeeper to make it 3-1 in the 70th minute.

Smith also played a big role in the state quarterfinal win over St. Cloud Tech, scoring the equalizer in the second half before sending the Stars on with a 4-1 win in the penalty kick shootout.

## Season ends with state hardware for Holy Angels girls

By **Jason Olson** 

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Holy Angels girls soccer rebounded for the first loss of the season with a 6-1 win over Cloquet-Esko-Carlton to win the third-place trophy at the Class AA state tournament on Friday.

The day began with Stars sophomore striker Audrey Garton scoring twice in the first half on goals set up by Kathryn Van Sloun in the ninth minute and 29th minute from Cat Duffy-Shaw in the game played at West St. Paul Athletics Center.

The Lumberjacks brought one goal back to enter halftime trailing 2-1.

Holy Angels (20-1-1) put together an emphatic final half to end the 2021 season by scoring four times, including three goals inside the opening nine minutes. Duffy-Shaw made it 3-1 2:10 into the second half with an assist from Ella Clow before Van Sloun scored a natural hat trick, with goals in the 46th, 49th and 66th minutes for the final 6-1 total. Clow and Duffy-Shaw added another assist each, and Lauren VonSee accounted for another assist as the Stars outshot CEC 11-3.

#### State tourney

Holy Angels came into state as the No. 2 seed, trailing only No. 1 Benilde-St. Margaret's, riding a stunning seven games without conceding a goal. That extended to eight games with a 2-0 shutout win over Byron in a quarterfinal played at Waconia High School Oct. 27.

Duffy-Shaw, a central midfielder who has generated a lot of the Stars offensive attack this season, scored in each half at the 27th minute with an assist from Elizabeth Mejia then unassisted in the 68th minute to hand Byron its third loss of the season.

#### Semifinal

The win sent Holy Angels to U.S. Bank Stadium for the state semifinals Nov. 4, where they faced perennial powerhouse Mahtomedi with a spot in the championship game on the line.



(SUN NEWSPAPERS STAFF PHOTO BY JASON OLSON)

Holy Angels senior captain and Ms. Minnesota Soccer award winner Cat Duffy-Shaw winds up for a shot during the second half of the 2-1 loss to Mahtomedi in the Class AA state semifinal game played at U.S Bank Stadium Nov. 5.

Garton gave the Stars the early lead with her 25th goal of the season as Clow hit her in stride with a pass splitting between two defenders. Garton redirected her shot inside the near post from near the penalty spot in the 16th minute.

Holy Angels coach Dave Marshak said they've been outsized all season but speed has been an equalizing factor across the lineup.

"We're quick but [Mahtomedi] was quick and fast and their counter-attack and physicality gave us a lot of trouble," Marshak said. The Stars were able to possess the ball in the second half and make dangerous runs into the Zephyrs' penalty area but each time were turned away.

"We were just trying to put balls on the frame because their transition from defense to offense or visa versa is that oftentimes you face a double team without a lot of space," Marshak said. Even when they had corner kicks, the Zyphers would flood the penalty area with eight players measuring close to, if not taller than, six feet. "Not a lot of room to play and they were trying to solve the problem and our best opportunity was to go from range.



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Stars junior defenseman Stephanie Goedde, right, dribbles up the sideline during the Class AA state semifinal game against Mahtomedi.

#### Highlight-reel goals

Mahtomedi's speedy Audrey Berry tied the game up with a similar play to Garton's goal four minutes later. Lauren Coy's pass over the top of the Stars defense allowed Berry to surge past the Stars defense, while goalkeeper Chloe Sandness tried to charge the ball at the top of the penalty area.

Five minutes later Cambelle Waldspurger connected on a perfectly-placed corner kick which curled over Sandness and inside the far post for what turned out to be the decisive goal.

It was Waldspurger's third corner in as many minutes.

"To score off a direct corner kick that is either good luck or bad luck and for us, it was bad luck," Marshak said. "We don't give up many goals and I think we relaxed a bit and they hit us on the counterattack but the second goal, it's unfortunate but those things happen in the

game.'

Mahtomedi outshot the Stars 14-6 and won the ball possession portion of the game against a team that allowed 10 goals in 22 games.

Mahtomedi coach Dave Wold said Waldspurger's service of the ball is the best since 2008 Ms. Soccer award winner Tippy Jordan.

"She would put it on a platter and these guys do that too," he said. "She drops it in perfect."

When Waldspurger described the play, she said knowing they were not successful with earlier crosses to the back post for her teammates, why not go for the goal.

"As I lined up to kick it, why not try to get it a little more towards the goal," she said, trying to find a teammate close at the back post. "I ended up getting it a little closer than that which was perfect."

Waldspurger has picked up assists off corner kicks but never scored a goal, other than in practice.

"I wasn't aiming for that exact place but I'm glad it went in," she said.

The Zephyrs went on to capture a 10th state title in a 3-1 win over BSM on Saturday, but first in Class AA as the tournament expanded to three classes this season. Mahtomedi won three straight single-A titles from 2017-19.

That 2017 run to the state title included a 2-1 win over Holy Angels when some of the Stars seniors on this team were freshmen.

"It always seems to be them in the semifinals and there is a reason why that program has won so many state championships and obviously we would've liked a better result but I thought we made a good accounting of ourselves," Marshak said.

Duffy-Shaw, the reigning Class AA Ms. Minnesota Soccer award winner, praised her team for leaving everything on the field no matter the outcome.

"I'm extremely proud of my team and all these girls," she said. "They put everything into this season and left everything out on the field."

## Jaguars volleyball wins 1st section title since 1999

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Making it back to state volleyball for the first time since 1999, Jefferson (18-11) swept Burnsville, then Edina, to capture the Section 6AAAA title on the home court in Bloomington Nov. 6.

Coaching in her third section final, Jaguars coach Crystal Dohlman thought perhaps the third time would be the charm after sweeping Burnsville 3-0 (25-23, 25-18, 25-23) Nov. 3.

Three days later, the Jaguars made short work of Edina with a 3-0 sweep (25-22, 25-12, 25-20) with the student section setting the tone for the evening – a business trip complete with sport coats and dress shirts with sunglasses.

#### Big play at the net

Having not played since a 3-0 loss to top-ranked Wayzata Oct. 19, Dohlman said the team worked hard in practice, treating the time away like a preseason.

"I knew in my heart that was going to be like riding a bike, you've got to get back on and figure it out," she said. "We've been working hard in practice. We broke things down last week, had a



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Jefferson senior Cassie Sieling (3) reacts to a point during the Nov. 3 win over Burnsville in the Section 6AAAA semifinals at Jefferson High School.

scrimmage and went hard the couple days leading up to the game."

Going from time away from the pressure of a match to two of the highest pressure situations made it tough.

"We haven't been in our full, healthy lineup in a lot of matches again so the time off made it tough, then how to play with rowdy, crazy fans and under pressure," Dohlman

Cassie Sieling and Melanie Meyer took over the match at the net with 19 and 14 kills, respectively, and setter Olivia Opstad finished with 42 of the Jaguars' 50 assists.

The hustle to reach for digs played a big role in not extending the match

beyond the minimum three sets. Ellie Sieling led the way with 17 digs, Cassie Sieling had 13 digs, Meyer had 11 digs and Opstad had 10 digs. Libero Paris Alvarez added seven digs.

Emma Olson added three ace serves and Cassie Sieling added two more.

Meyer, Cassie Sieling, and Ellie Sieling collectively had six blocking assists. Meyer led the team with four serve receives while Cassie Sieling and Alvarez each had two receives.

After going 3-1 at the Jefferson home tournament on Oct. 16, Wayzata swept the Jaguars on Oct. 19 by scores of 25-18, 25-18, 25-15.

"Our goal was to go out and compete and play our game," Dohlman said. "Let's get back into the swing of how we play with a regular lineup. Now we know what we are going with."

Ellie Sieling, Cassie Sieling, and Meyer finished with 11, nine, and nine kills, respectively. Opstad had 28 assists. The Sielings each had 11 digs, Alvarez had seven digs and Meyer had six digs. Meyer led the way with seven receptions.

In the previous two section finals appearances for Dohlman, the Jaguars ran a stacked Hopkins team in a 3-0 loss in 2016 before losing in five sets to St. Louis Park in 2019.

Jefferson is unseeded in the eight-team Class AAAA state tournament which began Wednesday, Nov. 10 at Xcel Energy Center. The Jaguars faced No. 3 East Ridge in the quarterfinals at 3 p.m. A win and Jefferson faces the winner of No. 2 Eden Prairie and Forest Lake at 3 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11.

The championship match is set for 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13.

Consolation semifinals will be played Nov. 11 with the consolation championship at 11 a.m. Saturday.

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### Jaguars test state's best at cross country championships

### Megan Lee posts best performance in three trips, boys place 13th in loaded Class AAA field

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Jefferson was well represented at the Class AAA state cross country meet Nov. 6 at St. Olaf College in Northfield.

Junior Megan Lee completed her third state meet with a 24th place finish in 18 minutes, 55.5 seconds. This was her best performance on the state's top stage, after finishing 62nd as a freshman in 2019 and 70th as an eighth-grader in 2018.

She bettered her time from those previous meets by about 20 seconds and came off a personal-best time of 18:48.4 with a fifth-place finish at the Section 3AAA meet just



(SUN NEWSPAPERS STAFF PHOTO BY JOHN SHERMAN)

Jefferson's Megan Lee runs along a big crowd that was on hand for the first state meet since 2019. She placed 24th overall in her third trip to the state meet in Northfield Nov. 6.

over a week earlier.

Lee was joined at the meet by

eighth-grader Amelia Borgen, who finished 41st overall in 19:16.4 in her inaugural statemeet appearance.

Jaguars coach Sean Faulk said both Lee and Borgen represented themselves and the program very well.

"It was a great first run at that level for Amelia and for Megan, I thought she really put herself out there and raced well," Faulk said. "Hopefully she'll have one more shot at it next season."

As for the Jefferson boys, the team placed 13th among the 16-team field with 318 points, ahead of Centennial by 12 points and trailing 12th-place Lakeville South by 24 points. The Jaguars opened the race in 16th place and made a final push as a team to move past three teams before the finish line.

"Thirteenth place was a solid result for where we are at right now," Faulk said. "For our seniors, it was a great capstone to what has been four years of improvement. For our younger guys, it was a great experience and will push us even higher next year."

Junior Adam Lueth led the boys with a 68th place finish in 16:49.90, followed by freshman Zach Tapajna (100th in 17:10.61), sophomore Ian Klein (102nd in 17:11.86), senior Mason Young (113th in 17:17.19), senior Gabe Meier (122nd in 17:26.05), senior Zach Studdiford (135th in 17:37.22) and eighth-grader Logan Young (156th in 18:23.17).

The top five times counted for the team score.

Faulk said Lueth ran well, pushing himself, "right where he needed to be in the first two miles and then pushed the third mile with what he had left. You'd always like to place a little higher but this lit a fire for him and I think it will be something he can build on."

# Holy Angels defends section football title in big way

### Johnson runs for 325 yards, 5 TDs and tackles leader in 42-6 win over SMB

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Holy Angels left no doubt that they deserve one of eight spots in the Class AAAA state football tournament following a 42-6 rout of SMB (St. Paul Academy/Minnehaha Academy/Blake) for the Section 5AAAA title Nov. 5 at StarDome.

The Stars (8-2) claimed their second consecutive section title but will play their first state tournament game since the magical state championship run in 2017.

The 2020 season ended with a section final as the pandemic canceled the state football tournament.

Holy Angels drew Becker in the state quarterfinal at Monticello High School on Thursday, Nov. 11. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m.

#### Dominant

Friday's win over SMB featured another dominant performance, not only by the Stars defense but also the offensive line, which made senior running back Emmett Johnson's job to move the ball and score touchdowns that much easier. He ran 28 times for 325 yards and five more touchdowns.

When asked after the game if he was tired in the fourth quarter, Johnson had the very appropriate rebuttal, "Naw, I don't get tired. The fourth quarter is when I take advantage of the other team. A lot of teams get tired in the fourth (quarter) and that's when I take advantage."

As a team, the Stars ran for 438 yards averaging more than nine yards per carry. Quarterback Aaron Boarman ran 12 times for 76 yards executing the option by either keeping the football or pitching it to a running back.

Coach Jim Gunderson reiterated the strengths of the team coming into the season rested on a veteran offensive line and they showed that to combat an



(SUN NEWSPAPERS STAFF PHOTO BY JASON OLSON)

Holy Angels senior Emmett Johnson (4) breaks through the SMB defense during Friday's 42-6 win in Richfield.

SMB roster with capable athletes mixed in with size along the line.

Junior Peyton Lange measures 6-foot-9, 390 pounds and not only moved around the offensive line between tackle and guard but also held his own as an imposing defensive lineman.

"They've got talent and size and really good coaches who make adjustments to put their kids in positions to be successful so you know you are going to get their A-game and I think we did," Gunderson said. "I think our O-Line took over."

Johnson credited the offensive line for keeping Lange, and the rest of the Wolfpack defense off of him.

"Yeah, I stayed away from him, he took up a lot of space but I used my vision and was more patient which allowed me to be more explosive tonight."

#### **Windy StarDome**

With a driving wind out of the south end zone, the coin toss was the first big play of the game. "We started out with the wind and that was a big benefit to getting a good start," Gunderson said.

Johnson turned a fourth-and-inches into a 27-yard touchdown on the opening possession, breaking off another long score this time from 40 yards out before the Wolfpack responded.

SMB's Elijah Wade scored from 15-yards out, which was set up by a 40yard catch-and-run from Landon Dillon to make it 14-6 with 1:25 to go in the opening quarter.

Terrence Roberts Jr. punched the ball into the end zone by sidestepping a defensive back for a 4-yard touchdown to make it 21-6 with 8:33 left in the opening half.

SMB tried moving the ball with jet sweeps to outrace the Stars linebackers and secondary to the sideline before cutting the ball up the field for gains but the defense pursued well and made the necessary tackles.

Linebacker Josh Gilland had two sacks later in the second quarter on the same drive to keep the Wolfpack out of range to attempt a field goal.

SMB had a chance to put points on the board in the final minute after intercepting a pass on its own 7-yard line. Sanjay Redd ran through the middle of the prevent defense, reaching midfield before Johnson stopped his progress as time expired on the half.

SMB tried to generate positive momentum with a squib kick to begin the second half instead of kicking it deep into the wind.

"We even put guys up there to prevent it, we expected it coming into the wind and they wanted the wind in the fourth quarter," Gunderson said.

#### Piling up the TDs

Johnson added a pair of 2-yard touchdowns in the third quarter and broke off a 57-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter.

Both of the short-yardage scores came on direct snaps where he followed the blockers to break into the end zone.

Fellow captain Ryan Bercich smiled when asked about blocking for Johnson, especially on the goal line direct-snaps.

"You know that if you get that block you know he is going a ways," Bercich said.

That is on top of five touchdowns and 235 yards (averaging 13.5 yards per carry) in a 42-0 shutout of DeLaSalle Oct. 30 in the section semifinals.

He ran for touchdowns of 46, 2, 3, 50 and 7 yards, all in the opening half.

Through 10 games, Johnson has rushed for 2,355 yards and 40 touchdowns.

"To coach the best player in the state of Minnesota is just a blessing," Gunderson said. "When you've got special players it suddenly looks like you can coach."

Part of the Stars program for four seasons, Gunderson said Johnson sets an example not only on the field during games but in practice and the classroom. "He's a great leader," Gunderson said. "I've never met such a humble kid. We always say you either stay humble or get humbled."

#### Stout defense

Gunderson said the defense has been a work in progress all season but what better time than now to give up one touchdown

over the last two games.

"The strength of our team coming back was our O-line and Emmett is just Emmett, but we're plugging guys in going both ways but they are buying into the defense wins championships and it's playoff season so the defense has to step up," Gunderson said.

Defensively, Johnson made a big impact from his spot in the secondary, sitting with 67 total tackles (48 solos) and 10 for loss which sits second on the team behind linebacker Ryan Bercich, whose 94 tackles (64 solos) and 13 tackles for loss leads the

Bercich said after the game it was fun seeing the unit evolve from a bunch of individuals coming into the season to mesh as one single unit.

"One machine, the hard work of all the guys, we couldn't have done it without all of us," he said with intimidating eye black to match the all-black uniforms in the biggest game of the season.

Bercich said the two losses earlier in the season (30-7 at Orono Sept. 10 and 31-21 against Chanhassen Oct. 15) served as a way to humble them.

"They got us thinking we aren't as good as we think we are and if we are going to hold ourselves to higher standards we have to meet those standards and those losses showed us that we were not.

"We had to step up and come together."

Fellow linebacker Joshua Gillard had another impressive game, rushing the quarterback and containing the Wolfpack offense to 167 yards, including 60 yards rushing from Redd.

Gillard, the younger brother of former defensive end Alex Gillard who had six sacks in the 2017 state championship, finished with two sacks and four tackles.

"Any time you have a Gillard on the team you've got a shot to go to state," Gunderson said. "It's nice to have brothers pass on the traditions and have so many alumni back to show their support for the school."

Johnson led the team with nine total tackles (seven solos) and Bercich had eight total tackles (six solos). Lineman Troy Lynch and Jacob Pung also had sacks and Ryan McGuire forced one fumble

"We still made some mistakes but thankfully we get another week to practice," Gunderson said. "And that is all I can ask for to be around these guys another week."

Over the last two weeks at practice, the emphasis on defense has been on playing hard-nose, playoff-style aggression to not take anything for granted.

"That's the mentality," Gunderson said. "We've got to be physical and out-physical teams and the guys are really starting to become more attackminded and you better be if you match up against Becker in the first round."

The connections with the Bulldogs go back to preseason scrimmages at Edina, the last being in 2017. "Dwight Lundeen is the legend and they are going to be great, well-coached, physical so if you want to be the best you have got to beat the best and we've got a challenge ahead."

Bercich added: "We've never been more excited to play Becker. We had a tough regular-season schedule to prepare us for the postseason. We treat the regular season as the preseason and the playoffs are when the real season begins."