



## Quote of the Week:

*"Experience is the child of thought, and thought is the child of action."*

– Benjamin Disraeli

## PWHS CHARACTER COUNTS ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



### Thomas Knowski

The Pirate boys cross country team won the WIAA Division 1 Homestead Sectional this past weekend! By doing so they have advanced to the state championship in Wisconsin Rapids on Saturday November 2nd at 2:25 pm. This week's male athlete of the week is junior Cross Country runner, Tom Knowski. Tom has been competing at the varsity level all season. The Sectional Meet was the 1st time that he cracked into the scoring five runners. Tom also recorded a person best time with his outstanding effort. Tom has always been an outstanding teammate. An example of his team work occurred this weekend when a teammate of his was struggling in the race. Tom moved up to his teammate at the 1/2 way point in the race and instead of racing by, Tom eased up and ran alongside encouraging him to work through the tough part of the race. In the last 200 meters Tom picked up his pace and sprinted in two places ahead. This is the kind of unselfish acts the exemplifies Tom's outstanding character.

### Sasha Ottesen

Sasha Ottesen, a freshmen member of the Girls' Varsity Swim and Dive team has earned this week's title of "Athlete of the Week." Sasha has great talent in the pool; she is an excellent 200 Individual Medley and Breaststroke swimmer. She is able to swim all 4 strokes which is a coach's dream! Wherever I ask Sasha to swim, she will excel. Each time Sasha enters the water, she has the determination to better her time and earn points for her team. Sasha has been a role model for her entire team; her dedication, perseverance and willingness to help others has made Sasha a strong team member.

Sasha is also an excellent student and also plays the piano extremely well. She truly is a well-rounded young woman with a bright future ahead of her. It is a great pleasure to have Sasha a part of our team.

Congratulations Sasha!

# Pirate Athletics Week in Review



BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

## STATE BOUND!!!

**WIAA SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS**



This past Saturday the boys won the WIAA Division 1 Homestead Sectional hosted at Tendick Park in the Town of Saukville. In so doing they have advanced to the State Meet which will occur on Saturday Nov. 1st at the Ridges Golf Course in Wisconsin Rapids at 2:25 pm. The Pirates finished with a score of 49 points well ahead of runner up Germantown's 90 points. Here is a list of the runners times and places:

Eagan Norman	5th	16:45
Nick Michalowski	6th	16:46
Billy Ernest	10th	16:59
Taylor Godersky	11th	17:00
Tom Knowski	17th	17:25
Lucas Bischoff	19th	17:29
Mason Purtell	29th	17:45



## **GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY**

The girls did a great job at the WIAA Division I Sectional on Saturday. For the first time in her career Maggie Kotecki was the number one runner for the team in what was her last Cross Country race as a Pirate. She was followed in scoring by Brenna Russell, Abby Kotecki, Brenna Kautz and Alli Klotz. This was the last race for Abby and Maggie who have been integral members of the team over the past four years and were great leaders in this their senior season.



## **VOLLEYBALL**

### WIAA 1<sup>st</sup> Round Regional

A very enthusiastic crowd was out to see Port Volleyball defeat Brown Deer in 4 sets 25-17, 23-25, 25-17, 25-20. We came out with high energy and great overall play. We controlled the tempo of the match from the start with our ball control and efficient offense. Sarah Maechtle did a great job distributing the ball to all of our hitters giving us a balanced attack. She finished with 31 assists for the match. Our offense provided the output to keep the Brown Deer defense off balance. We also sustained our energy through the end of each set we won, never letting Brown Deer gain any momentum. Our goal was to create separation in each set and make Brown Deer play from behind. We minimized our errors and played aggressively throughout the entire match. Caitlin Schultz and Hannah Strohm led with 14 and 12 kills respectively. While our defense played outstanding with Maggie Schmit tallying 21 digs and Jenni Fidler with 16. Caitlin Schultz dominated the net with 5 solo blocks as well.

### WIAA 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Regional

Our match against Defending Division II State Champion Kettle Moraine Lutheran was a tough task. Ranked 2nd in the state for Division II we knew that our team needed to play loose and aggressive against a very good team. We started strong in Set 1 but then a long service run from KML put us in a deep hole that we could never climb out of losing the first set 25-6. We didn't let that effect our play starting strong in Set 2 playing point for point all the way to 21. Our defense and serve were both efficient and aggressive. We stayed with them to point 21 and their aggressive style of play pushed

them ahead for good losing the second set 25-21. The third set was much of the same as the first with KML serving very aggressively pushing ahead by as many as ten points. However when we were able to receive their serve well our offense was productive and we could play with them. Everyone who had the opportunity to play made an impact with their play. Scores were 6-25, 21-25, 12-25.

The season to build our foundation of competitive play, becoming better at our fundamentals and bringing excitement back to the gym was a success. Our girls will build from here which this 2013 group has established. We look forward to a big year in 2014 with 6 juniors, 1 sophomore and 3 freshmen leading the way. The 4 seniors who had a significant impact on our system this year will be truly missed!



## **GIRLS SWIMMING and DIVE**

Our last dual meet of the season and what a great way to end! We honored our 4 seniors for all their hard work over the years and also came close to winning over Germantown! The evening began with the 200 Medley Relays of Brockman, Ottesen, Nuedling, and Andersen and Grady, Snook, Heinen, and Gotthart finishing third and fourth with times 2:12.87 and 2:53.91. E. Andersen and B. Heinen swam the 200 Freestyle both achieving PR times! Andersen dropped 2 seconds on her time 2:25.29 and Heinen dropped time 2:27.63. S. Ottesen and A. Laabs swam the 200 IM both also achieving PR times! Ottesen dropped over 2 seconds-2:33.00 and Laabs dropped milliseconds-3:08.38! A. Nuedling, K. Brockman, and M. McBride swam the 50 Freestyle for their team; finishing second, fourth and sixth with their times-28.86, 29.23, 34.34. K. Smith honored her team on senior night by diving first place with her point total 192.70 and B. Murray finished a solid fourth place with her points 137.60. B. Grady was the only member of our team to brave the 100 Butterfly for her team, and it was her first time swimming this event this season! She finished second place with her time 1:39.56. A. Nuedling, E. Andersen and M. Gotthart swam the 100 Freestyle. A. Nuedling finished in second place with her 4 second PR drop 1:02.78! E. Andersen also dropped 1 second off her PR time 1:04.63! B. Heinen and A. Laabs swam the 500 Freestyle finishing second and third place with their times, 6:31.10 and 7:09.49. The 200 Freestyle Relay team of Nuedling, Andersen, Ottesen and Brockman finished third place with their time 1:55.38. We finished second, third, fourth in the 100 Backstroke with the great swims by Brockman (1:12.96), Grady (1:23.76) and Gotthart (1:28.83)! S. Ottesen continues to impress with dropping time each time she swims! She swam the 100 Breaststroke finishing fourth with her PR time 1:17.95! The evening continued with the 400 Freestyle Relay team-Gotthart, Laabs, Heinen, and Grady finishing third place

dropping 6 seconds off their PR time 4:54.32! It truly was a great way to end our dual meets! Great times, great swims and most importantly, lots of fun!!

## Check out This Week's Activities and Cheer on Your Pirates!!!

### Thursday, Oct 31

<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
5:00pm	<a href="#">Conference Diving</a>	@ <a href="#">Homestead High School</a>

### Friday, Nov 1

<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
6:00pm	<a href="#">Swimming:Girls JV Conference Meet</a>	@ <a href="#">Grafton High School</a>

### Saturday, Nov 2

<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
11:00am	<a href="#">Swimming:Girls Varsity Conference Meet</a>	@ <a href="#">Homestead High School</a>
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2:25pm	<a href="#">Cross Country:Boys Varsity State Meet</a>	@ <a href="#">Ridges Golf Course</a>

*It's a Great Day to be a Pirate!*



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