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Carlisle's Youth Football Season Wraps Up Players See Mix of Triumphs & Hard Fought Battles in Final Week



Carlisle 2 Championship Team is pictured. Back row are Coaches Jeremy Orr, Jesse Gerlits, Marc Black, Bob Thornton, and Cory Burnes; third row are Miles Black, Henry Noland, Michael Lang, and Greyson Peterson; second row are Julius Honer, Tucker Bunce, Braxton Burnes, Jaden Gerlits, Kaffrey Thornton, Keaton Wahlert, Kayson Dickenson, and Jaxon Putz; first row are Jack Benson, Wyatt Ferriss, Gianni Gabrielle, Pryce Parson, Hudson Webb, Raul Castaneira, and Brooks DeJong. Photo submitted.

As the youth football season comes to a close, the Carlisle teams showcased resilience, teamwork, and a commitment to improvement. Each team had its unique journey, reflecting the heart and spirit of the players and coaches involved.

Carlisle 1: Growth Through Adversity

The Carlisle 1 team wrapped up their season with a tough 7-19 loss to PCM 2, finishing with a record of 1-4-1. While the record may suggest a challenging season, the truth is that these young athletes displayed remarkable growth and determination throughout. They boasted a Top 5 defense in the league, consistently putting forth a strong effort and staying competitive in every match up.

The players' hard work week in and week out did not go unnoticed, as they improved significantly as the season progressed. Coaches Joe Bauman, Drew Hupke, Dustin Hagen, and Brad DeHeer provided invaluable guidance, fostering an environment where the kids could develop their skills and confidence. Their commitment to the team was evident, and the foundation laid this year will surely benefit the players in the seasons to come.

Carlisle 3: A Season of Scoring Success

In a bittersweet ending, Carlisle 3 faced PCM 1 and fell 6-26, concluding their season with a commendable 4-2 record. This team was not just competitive; they showcased one of the league's most explosive offenses, finishing with the third-highest points scored overall.

The backfield of Houston Harris, Reed Inman, Kaden Fransen, and Easton Wicker proved to be a formidable force, driving the offense with speed and agility. Their ability to execute plays consistently made them a team to watch each

week. Coaches TJ Cataldo, Ron Petersen, Tyler Fransen, and Terrence Driscoll emphasized teamwork and strategy, and their efforts helped the players shine. The season may have ended in disappointment, but the experience gained and friendships forged will last a lifetime.

Carlisle 2: Champions on the Rise

The highlight of the season undoubtedly belongs to Carlisle 2, who emerged as the Season Champions after a thrilling 19-13 victory over PVB. Ending their season undefeated, Carlisle 2 showed tremendous character and grit, especially in the championship game where they battled back from a 13-6 deficit.

Pryce Parson was the star of the match, scoring a critical last-second eight-yard touchdown to seal the victory. His impressive performance included completing three out of four passes for 36 yards and rushing for over 100 yards along with three touchdowns. The contributions of Brooks DeJong, who added a pivotal point after conversion, and the dominant blocking from the offensive line and tight ends – Kaffrey Thornton, Kayson Dickenson, Miles Black, Tucker Bunce, Wyatt Ferriss, Henry Noland, and Jaxon Putz – were key to Parson's success.

On defense, Tucker Bunce stood out with four tackles for loss in the second half, while Braxton Burnes and Hudson Webb excelled in their cornerback roles, helping to set the edge against their opponents. Coaches Cory Burnes, Jeremy Orr, Bob Thornton, Jesse Gerlits, and Marc Black led this talented group to a season defined by teamwork and achievement, culminating in their recognition as the highest-scoring offense in the league.

CARLISLE HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' XC TEAM HEADED TO STATE FOR 9TH CONSECUTIVE YEAR!

by Marty Mitchell, head boys' cross country coach



The Carlisle boys' cross country squad punched their ticket to the State Cross Country Meet at the State Qualifying Meet, held in Harlan on October 23rd. This marks the ninth year in a row the team has advanced to the State Meet!

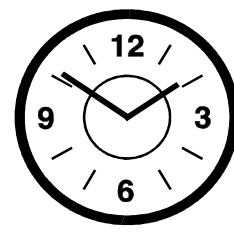
At the State Qualifying Meet the Cats were led by medalists Kael Streeter in 3rd place with a time of 16:41 and Kamden Brown in 7th place with a time of 17:04. Streeter and Brown were followed by teammates Talan Walstorm in 23rd place with a time of 17:48, Sevastian Soto in 33rd place with a time of 18:07, Judah DeCleene in 38th place with a time of 18:21, Ryan Rushing in 40th place with a time of 18:31, and Torren Walstrom in 43rd place with a time of 18:43.

The boys will run at the 3A State Meet on Friday, November 1st. The 3A boys' race will begin at 11:15 a.m. at Kennedy Park in Fort Dodge.

It is time to FALL back!

Daylight Saving Time ENDS
Sunday, Nov. 3rd at 2:00 AM.

Remember to set your clocks back 1 hour



Iowa's Annual Winter Moratorium Begins Friday, Iowans Invited to Apply for LIHEAP

Under Iowa law, every year starting November 1st, all Iowa electric and natural gas utilities are required to participate in a moratorium of disconnection of service for customers who qualify for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

Customers facing hardship in paying for service can work with their local community action agency to apply for LIHEAP funds, which also protects those customers' households from disconnection in the winter. Please note funds only pay a portion of the customer's monthly bill.

As specified in the Iowa Administrative Code, electric and natural gas utilities are not permitted to conduct disconnection of service from November 1st to April 1st for households certified by a community action agency as eligible for LIHEAP or its companion weatherization assistance program. Additionally, customers who inform their electric or natural gas provider that they are applying for LIHEAP are afforded a 30-day stay of disconnection to allow that application to be processed by the customer's community action agency.

Community action agencies exist in each Iowa county to help Iowans apply for LIHEAP and to disburse energy assistance funds on behalf of utility customers. LIHEAP is a federally funded program by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and it is available to homeowners and renters who are at or below

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Hartford Monster Mash on Display Thru Sunday

Last year, witches gathered along Hartford's Vine Street for the Witchy Walk as a spin off of the Hartford Hometown Pride Committee's original Scarecrow Stroll. This year for year four, the Committee is hosting a Monster Mash!

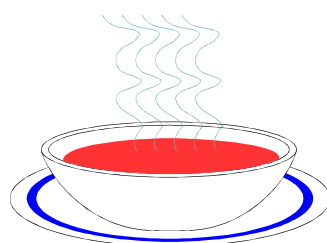
Local businesses and organizations in Richland Township were invited to participate in this year's Monster Mash by creating a monster of any sort that represented their service and/or the autumn season. A total of 23 monsters were created for this year's event!

The Monster Mash will be set up in downtown Hartford along Vine Street through Sunday, November 3rd. The community is invited to take a stroll (which is free) through the set up to see all the monster creations before they are taken down.

Yesterday on Beggar's Night the Hartford Hometown Pride Committee hosted voting for the community's favorite monster under various categories. The winners will soon be announced on the Committee's Facebook page and in our newspaper.



Soup Supper to Benefit Hartford Fire Department This Saturday



The community is invited to the Hartford Fire Department Enterprise's annual chili and soup supper on Saturday, November 2nd. A variety of soups and desserts will be served from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the fire station, located at 150 W. Elm Street in Hartford. Free will donations will be accepted for the supper to benefit the Hartford Volunteer Fire & EMS Department.



from the desk of

DREW MERRIFIELD
Mayor, City of Carlisle

Next Tuesday, November 5, is an important day for our nation, our state, and our city. It is Election Day! This Election Day is particularly exciting as we have a large ballot with many important decisions for you to cast your vote on. With so many important topics, I would encourage you to take some time this weekend to educate yourself about your choices. You can get on the County Auditor's website to find a sample ballot to see what options you have for specific races. A few of the highlights that I think are particularly important this year include:



- The County Supervisor race for District 5. The City, School, and County are the three closest forms of government to you and provide you the largest opportunity to impact decisions.
- Two State Constitutional changes; one for Gubernatorial line of succession and one regarding voting age.
- The Library Referendum, which would allow the City to move forward with the planned Library Project.

I encourage you to make a plan to exercise your right to vote Tuesday. As you get to the polls, I would encourage you to flip your ballot over and vote on the items on the back side as they are just as important as the items on the front. These include the constitutional amendments and the referendum question.