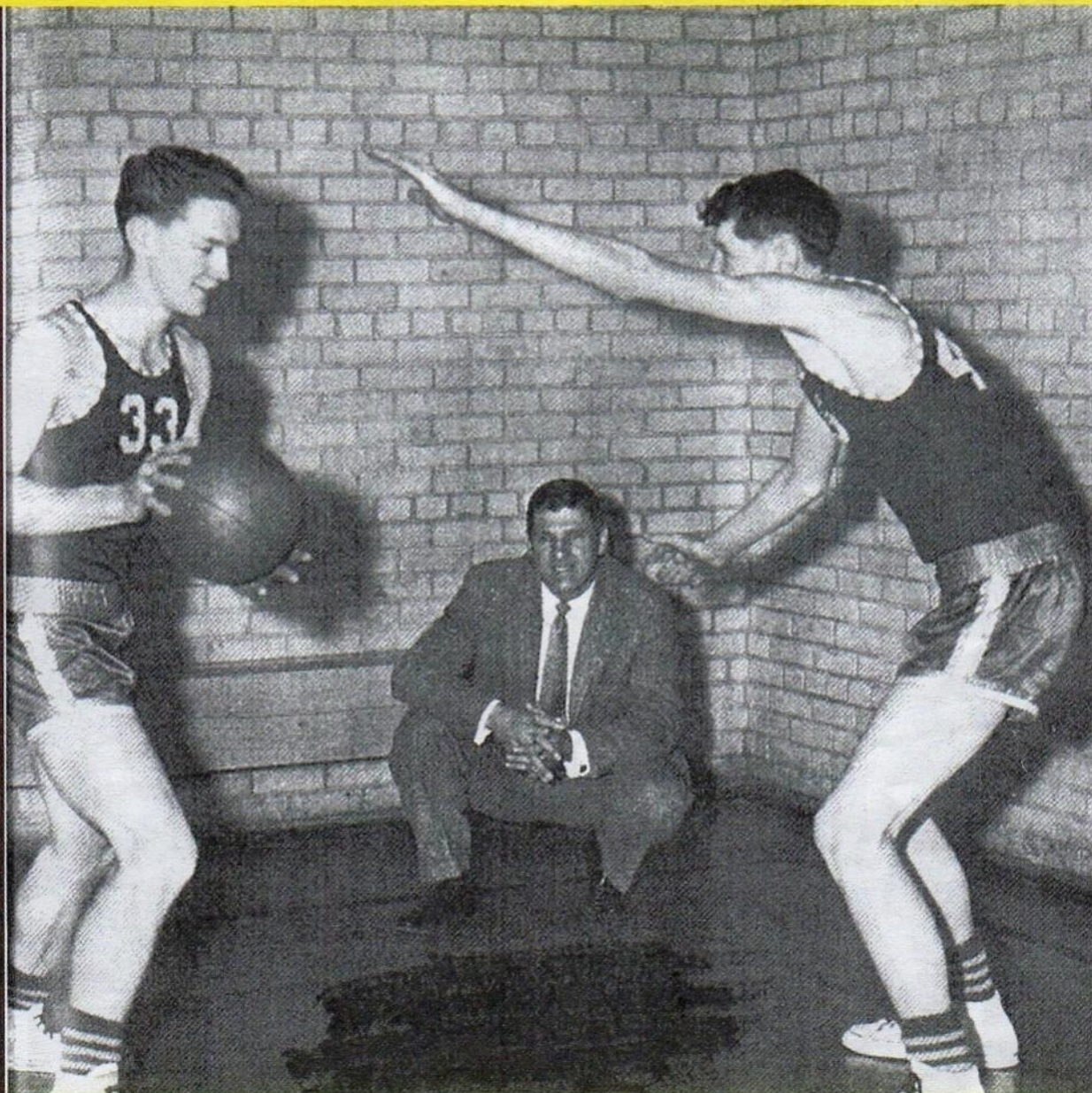


Nordic Hall of Fame

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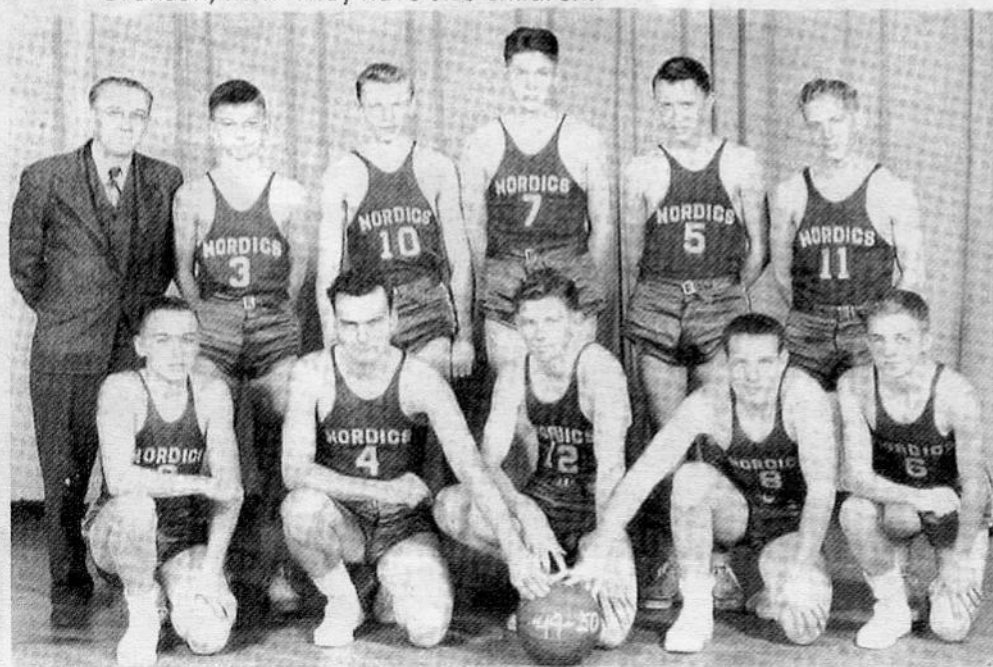
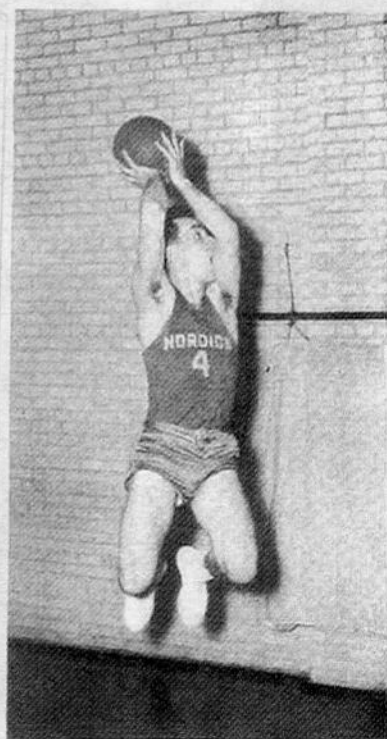
Basketball 1959

George Fricker

1950

George was a four year letter winner in basketball and was captain as a senior. He was a regular for three years, and scored 763 points on teams that had a combined record of 42-19. George went on to be a member of the 1950-51 University of MN basketball team, and is the only Nordic to ever play Division I basketball.

George served in the US Army from 1952 to 1955. He graduated from the University of MN in 1958, and received a Juris Doctor of Law Degree in 1962 from William Mitchell College of Law. He was Staff Attorney under Attorney General Robert Kennedy in Washington, D.C. from 1962-64. He worked private practice thereafter until retiring. He is married to Avis Nelson from Lake Bronson, MN. They have two children.



1950 Basketball Team, Back row left to right: John Dyrud, Wesley Glennen, Darwin Olson, Gene Shern, and Romaine Nelson. Front row left to right: Olan Bjornrud, Co-Captain George Fricker, Lawrence Everson, Co-Captain Erling Huglen, and Lester Lindquist

Van Swanson

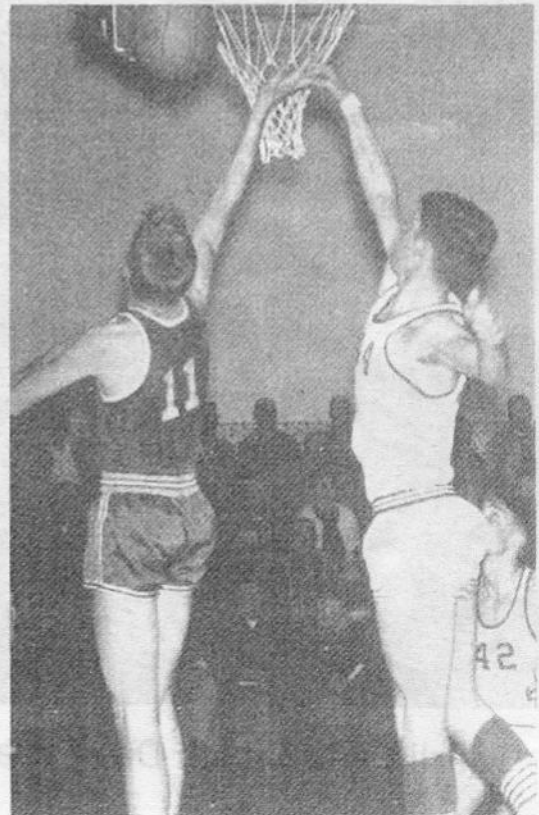
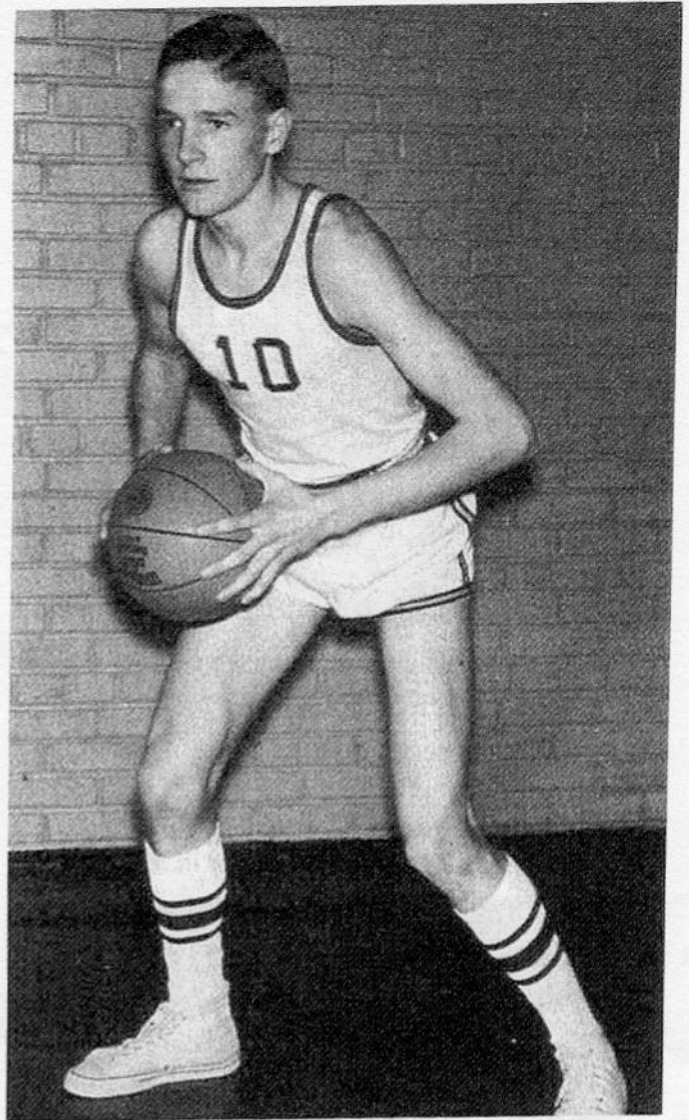
1968

Van lettered four years in basketball, was team captain, and also lettered three years in baseball. Van went on to play basketball at Northland where he was team captain as a sophomore. He also played two years at Mayville State where he was captain as a senior.

Van received his Bachelor's degree from Mayville State in 1973 and his Master's Degree in education from Duluth in 2001. Van has taught Health and Phy. Ed. in Thompson, ND and in Grygla, MN. He was also head basketball coach at both schools. For the past sixteen years he has worked for the MN Extension Service.

In 2008, Van was inducted into the Northland Community College Athletic Hall of Fame.

Van is married to Dede Jarshaw, also a Newfolden graduate. They have two sons.



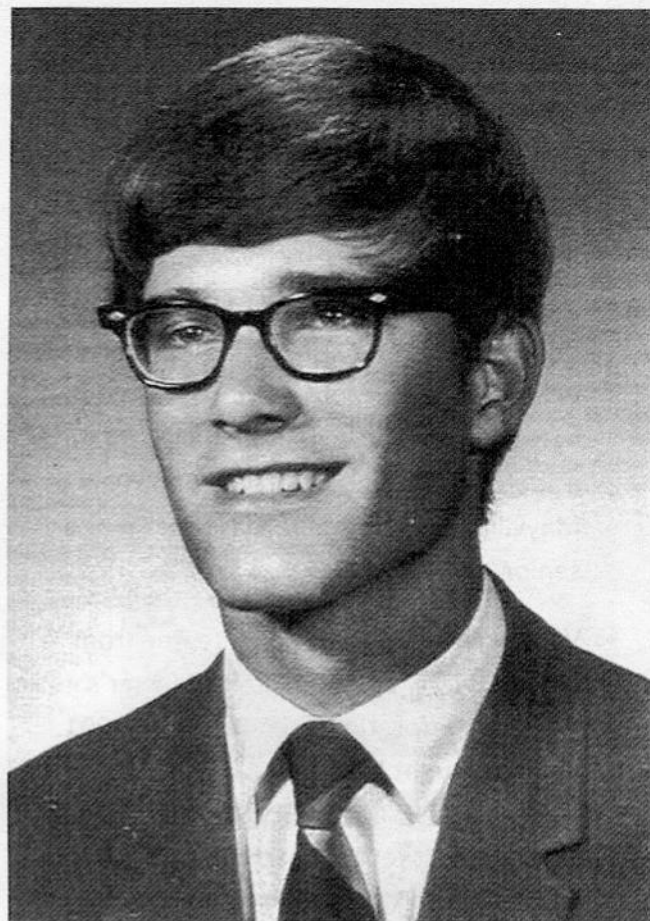
Marlin Bjornrud

1971

Marlin won twelve athletic letters in high school. He received three in football, four in basketball, and five in baseball. He was captain in all three sports as well as All-Conference. He was quarterback of the football team, which won the conference championship. He pitched his baseball team to the district championship. He also pitched on two outstanding American Legion baseball teams.

He earned a degree from Oak Hills Bible College. He served as pastor in Akeley, MN from 1974-79. He is currently a pastor in Embarrass, MN, where he has served since 1979.

Marlin and his wife, Jeannine, have six children who are all high school athletes.



Marlin and Coach Dave Kragness



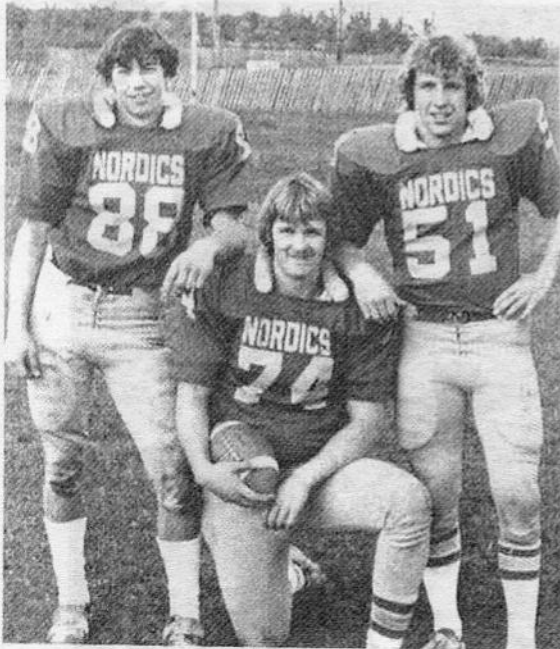
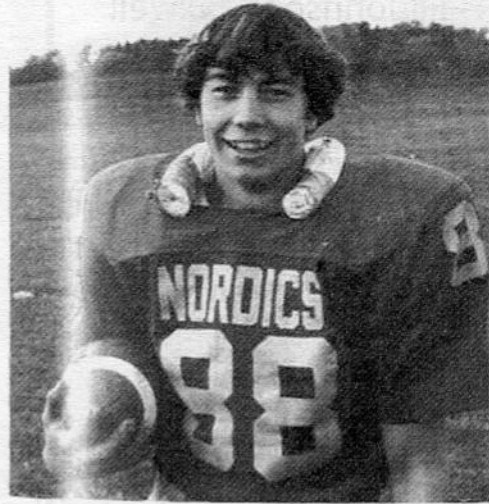
Nathan Stokke

1981

Nathan was a four-year letter winner in high school track and football. His football career included a conference championship in 1980. He was team captain, All-Conference, and MVP. In track he participated in the regional in the high-jump and pole vault.

Nathan went on to play football at UND, where he was All-Conference Honorable Mention and Special Teams Captain. He received a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from UND and a Master's of Business Administration from St. Ambrose University.

Nathan is currently employed by American Foods as Engineering Director of Innovation. Nathan and his wife, Barbara, have two children.



Nathan - Dan Maki - Steve Boe



Jill Johnson Maxwell

1982

Jill earned six letters in track, where she held the record for the 100 meter hurdle from 1982 through 2012. She lettered three years in volleyball. Her team won the district championship during her senior year. She also lettered four years in basketball. She was team captain, All-Conference, and her team won a district title during her junior year. Jill received the Most Dedicated Senior Athlete Award.

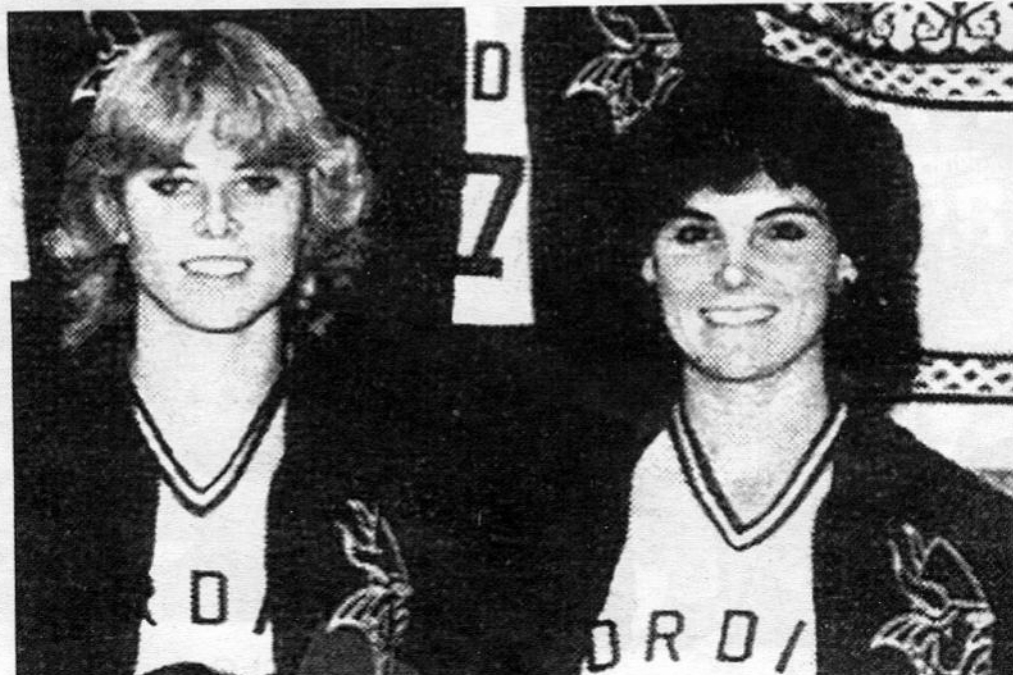
Jill Graduated from UND in 1987 with a degree in Physical Therapy. She has been in private practice in Flint, MI since 1999. She is married and has three sons.



Doreen Larson - Jill



Doreen - Sue Olson - Jill



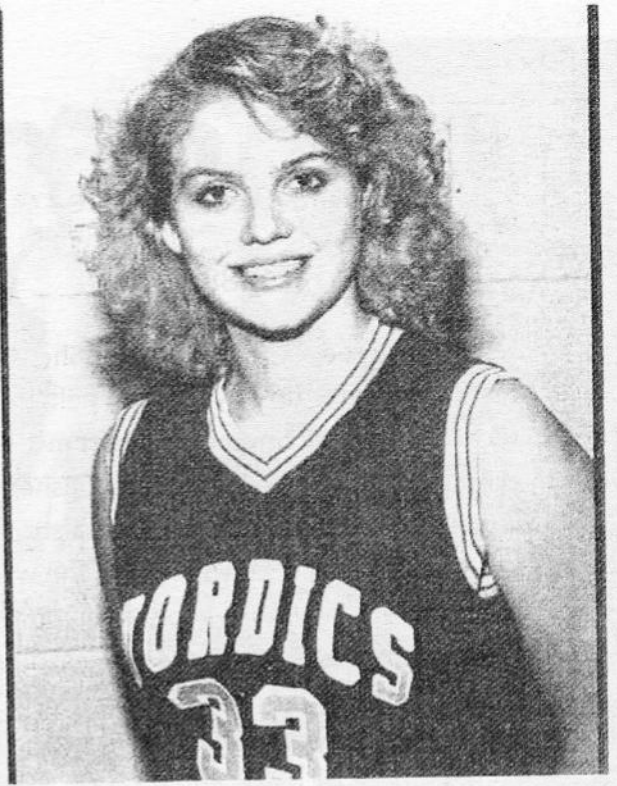
Sue and Jill

Jodi Foss

1987

Jodi won thirteen letters as a high school athlete, five in basketball and four in both volleyball and track. She was three years All-Conference in basketball and captain as a senior. Her 1987 basketball team finished sixth at the state tournament. In volleyball, she was also captain and All-Conference for two years. As a sophomore, her team advanced to regionals.

Jodi is a graduate of the University of MN and is a Certified Surgical Technologist. She has three daughters, all competitive swimmers.



Becky Berggren - Jodi



Nikki Leach - Natalie Ueland - Jodi - Kelly Anderson - Andrea Kragness - Superintendent Gene Busch
District 32 Basketball Champs

Natalie Ueland Price

1988

Natalie lettered six years in track. She was team captain for three years and held the record for the 300 meter hurdle from 1987 through 2011. In 1987 her team finished 3rd in the State True Team meet. She also lettered three years in volleyball. She was team captain, All-Conference, and won two district titles as a sophomore and a senior. Natalie lettered four years in basketball, was team captain, and All-Conference. Her team finished 6th in the 1987 state tournament.

Natalie played volleyball and basketball at UMC and was inducted into the UMC Athletic Hall of Fame in 2002. She also played basketball at Moorhead State University and graduated in 1993 with a degree in Marketing.

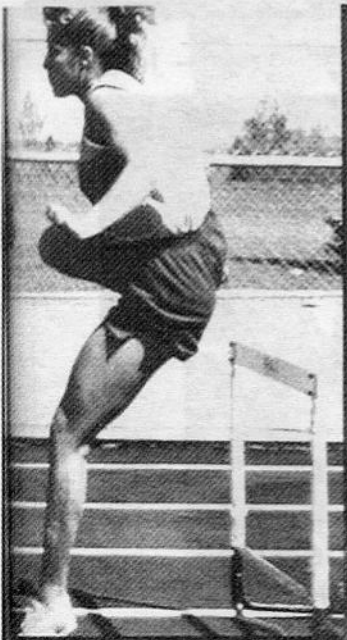
Natalie has been employed by Kraus Anderson since 1993. She is married to Patrick Price.



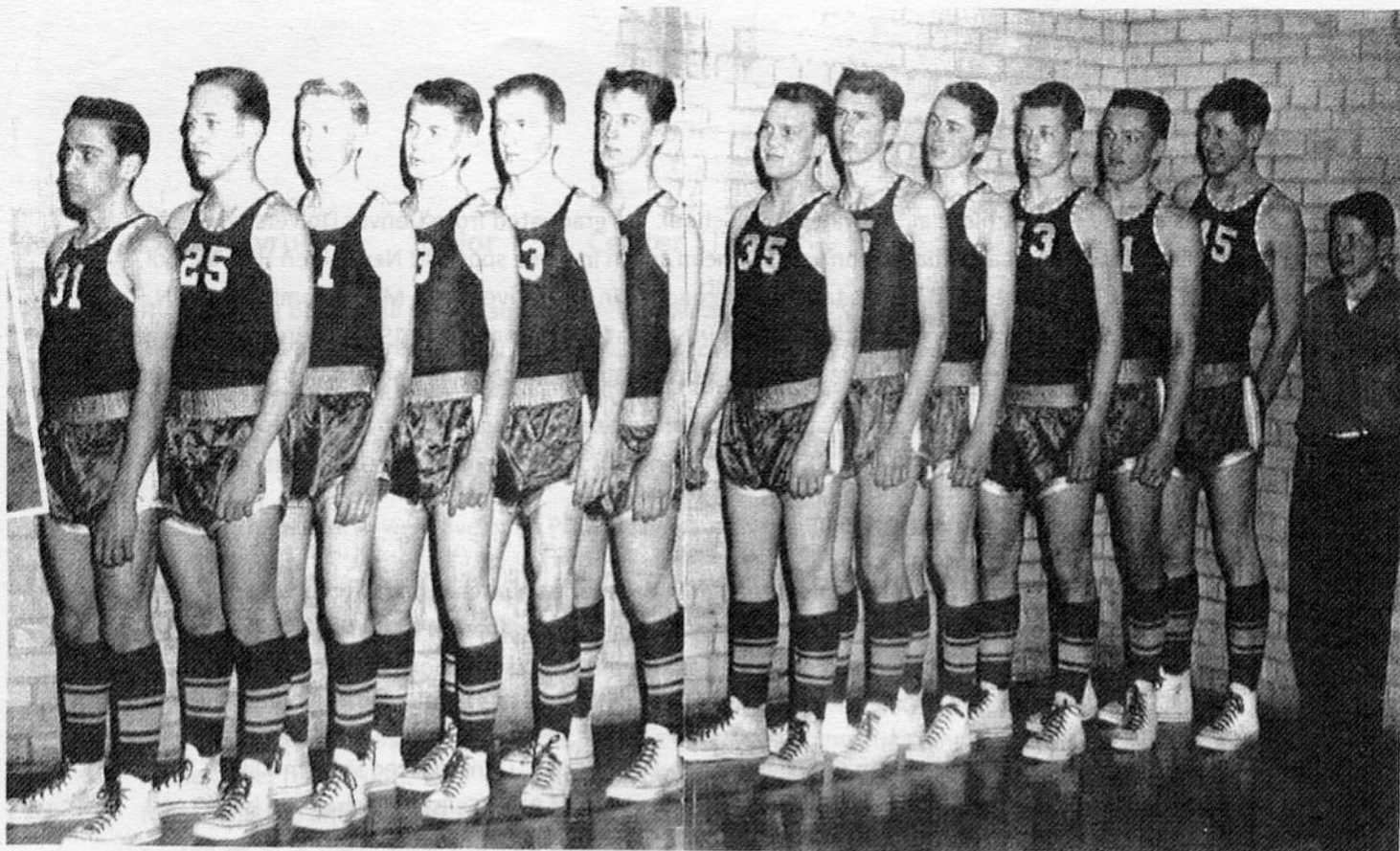
Natalie and Andrea Kragness



Natalie - Andrea - Nikki Leach



Jodi Foss - Kari Boe - Natalie - Kelly Anderson - Andrea
Region 8 Basketball Champs



Team Members left to right: August Wehmeyer, Jim Elseth, Wesley Bring, Lloyd Hjelle, John Haglund, Dennis Bakke, Wendell Hagenbeck, Howard Davis, David Dyrud, Dave Haug, Don Engelsrud, Bob Dahl, Wayne Dahl, student manager (not pictured Coach John Junker)

SCHEDULE

WE	THEY	WE	THEY
60 Goodridge	43	83 Williams	75
59 Roseau	45	66 Baudette	56
53 Greenbush	24	52 Warroad	43
59 Middle River	52	45 Roseau	52
44 Lake Bronson	31	66 Badger	44
47 Strandquist	46	57 Karlstad	48
61 Badger	42	48 Middle River	43
64 Karlstad	48	58 Warroad	69
63 Greenbush	28	49 Oklee	31

PLAYERS' INDIVIDUAL RECORD

	G	FG	FT	F	PTS	AV
Robert Dahl	17	74	76	52	224	13.2
Donald Engelsrud	18	122	46	26	290	16.1
John Haglund	18	44	15	16	103	5.7
Dennis Bakke	18	113	79	48	305	16.9
Wendell Hagenbeck	13	22	16	14	60	4.6
August Wehmeyer	15	4	12	20	20	1.5
Wesley Bring	7	1	1	4	3	.4
Howard Davis	9	1	5	8	7	.8
David Haug	12	2	6	17	10	.8
David Dyrud	5	1	0	1	2	.4
James Elseth	13	4	3	8	11	.8
Lloyd Hjelle	2	0	0	1	0	.0

SUB-DISTRICT TOURNAMENT

WE	THEY
62 Greenbush	38
51 Roseau	53
55 Baudette	61

John R. Junker**Coach**

John was a three sport athlete at Stillwater High School. He graduated from Denver University, where he played baseball and basketball. John was the head coach in three sports at Newfolden High School from 1957 to 1960. Since 1960 he has taught and coached in Thief River Falls, MN, Bloomington, MN, and Spooner, WI. He has been in private business in Stillwater, MN, and since 1982, been an insurance executive. John and his wife, Jean, have five children, nine grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Players**Dennis Bakke****Senior****Guard**

A three-sport athlete, Dennis was a four year regular in baseball as a pitcher and catcher. He quarterbacked for the football team for two years and was a letter winner in basketball for three years. He was All-State Honorable Mention and captained all three teams as a senior. Dennis was inducted into the Nordic Hall of Fame in 2006.

He played college basketball at Luther College and baseball at UND. Dennis raced snowmobiles professionally for Arctic Cat. He has spent most of his life in Thief River Falls, MN where he is CEO of Forsbergs Inc.

Wesley Bring**Senior****Guard**

Wesley played basketball in high school and is best remembered for his two free-throws which won the district semi-final game against Stephen. Wesley was married to Sharon Holmstrom Bring. They had five children and ten grandchildren. Wesley farmed after high school. He passed away in 2000 in a farm accident.

Bob Dahl**Senior****Center**

Bob was a three-sport athlete in high school and captain on all three teams. Bob played one year of basketball at Luther College and played on two state championship slow-pitch softball teams.

Bob and Carol have been married forty nine years. They have four children and twelve grandchildren, all athletes. Bob has farmed and driven school bus for over forty years. He has been active in his church and with the Gideons.

John Haglund**Senior****Guard**

John was also a three-sport athlete. He was a left-handed pitcher in baseball, unsung hero on the basketball team, and halfback in football.

John and Shirley have three children and five grandchildren. He retired from the MN Highway Dept. in 2004 and lives in Baudette. He is keeping busy with woodworking and classic cars.

David Dyrud Junior Center

After playing basketball in high school, David attended the TRF Vo. Tech. in Airframe and Power plant Technology where he received an AA degree in Vocational Teacher Education. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Vocation Ed. and a Master's degree in Human Resource Development, both from the University of MN. David has worked in aircraft maintenance, aircraft technical writing, as a training instructor, and as an aircraft maintenance training manager.

David and his wife, Arleen, live in St. Paul. They have five children and twenty five grand and great-grand children.

Don Engelsrud Junior Forward

Donnie was a two-sport athlete in high school lettering in basketball and in baseball as a pitcher and outfielder. Donnie was the first Nordic to score over 1000 points, finishing his career with 1,251 points. He held that record until 1977 when it was broken by Mike Fincher. Donnie was inducted into the Nordic Hall of Fame in 2010. Donnie was well known for his woodworking ability. He farmed until he passed away in 1983. He is survived by two children, Shawn and Tiffany.

Wendel Hagenbeck Junior Forward

Wendel was a three-sport athlete in high school. Following graduation he attended north Central Bible College. Wendel worked in Minneapolis, was a bus mechanic for the Newfolden School District, and owned and operated a shop in Sturgeon Lake.

In 2010, Wendel returned to Newfolden. He renovated and reopened his dad's old shop. Wendel and his wife, Sandra, have three children and thirteen grandchildren.

August Wehmeyer Junior Guard

August played football and basketball before leaving high school for the Navy after his junior year. He spent a total of twenty-two years in the Navy as well as seven years in the Army Reserve. He worked several jobs before joining the MN State Patrol in 1981. During his twenty years with the State Patrol, August received five life-saving awards, five Meritorious Service Awards, plus numerous letters of commendations making him the most decorated trooper in the history of the department. August and his wife, Jacqueline, have two daughters.

Howard Davis Soph. Center

Howard won four high school letters in football and three in basketball. He was captain in both sports. He graduated from Gustavus Adolphus College in 1965. He taught math at the Tracy, MN high school. He received his Master's degree in counseling from Mankato State in 1970. Howard was a senior high counselor at Windom, MN from 1970-1999. He was Windom Teacher of the Year in 1983, and Minnesota Senior High Counselor of the Year in 1993.

Howard and his wife, Rosalee, have three children and seven grandchildren.

Jim Elseth Soph. Guard

Jim won four letters in basketball and two in baseball. He graduated from Moorhead State in 1965 with a degree in Elementary Education and from St. Cloud in 1971 with a Master's degree. Jim taught in the Paynesville Elementary for thirty five years, retiring in 2000. Jim was awarded the Paynesville Jaycees Outstanding Young Educator Award in 1973. He is also a marathon runner, completing both Grandmas Marathon and the Twin Cities Marathon.

Jim has one daughter, one step-daughter, and two grandchildren. He is married to Newfolden graduate Lois Thompson.

Dave Haug Soph. Forward

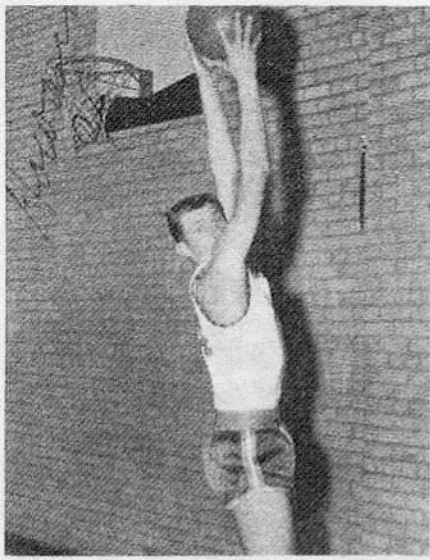
David won four letters in both football and basketball. As a football player he was quarterback in grades eleven and twelve, and also team captain. After high school he spent some time in the Army, attended Brown Institute in Minneapolis, and worked as a DJ in Grand Rapids, MN. After working for the USDA, he became a citrus fruit buyer for Safeway. He has spent the past forty years in Florida and is still working part-time. Last summer he drove his fully restored 1940 Chevrolet back to Minnesota.

Lloyd Hjelle Soph. Forward

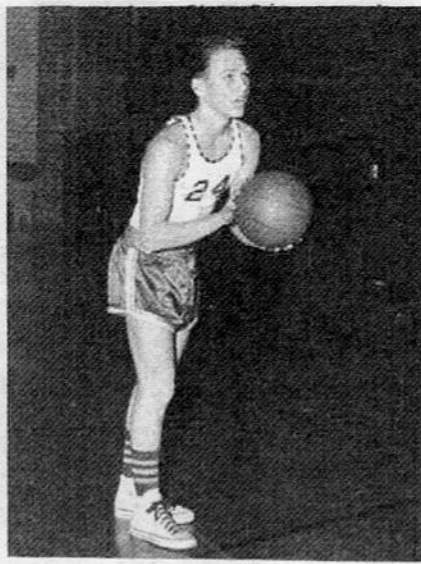
After basketball and high school, Lloyd attended Moorhead State, graduating with a Bachelor's of Science Degree. He directed choirs in Warren, Detroit Lakes, and for twelve years at Burnesville. In 1978 he started a land development and home-building company. Since then he has built over 600 homes and won numerous Reggie Awards and awards of excellence for design and craftsmanship. Lloyd and his wife, Sally, have three children and seven grandchildren.

Wayne Dahl Junior Student Manager

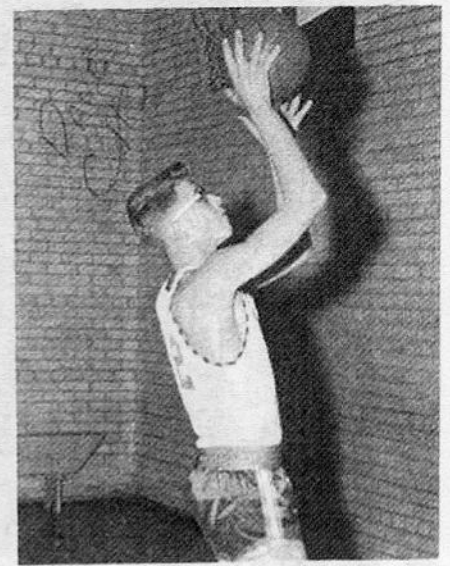
Wayne was active in all sports during high school and served as student manager for the 1958-59 District Champion basketball team. After graduation, he managed an independent basketball team and did some auto racing. Wayne worked many years at Manacke-Johnson and also owned and operated a nursery in Glyndon, MN. He currently spends his summers at Maple Lake and his winters in Arizona. Wayne and his wife, Mary, have two children and five grandchildren.



Howard Davis



Jim Elseth



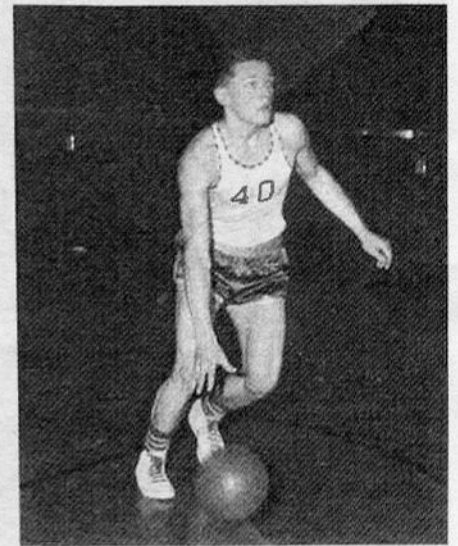
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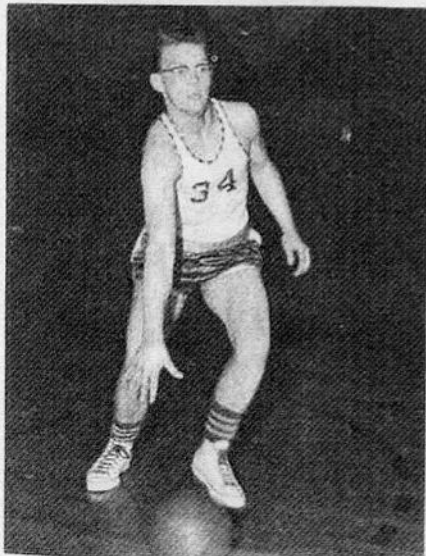
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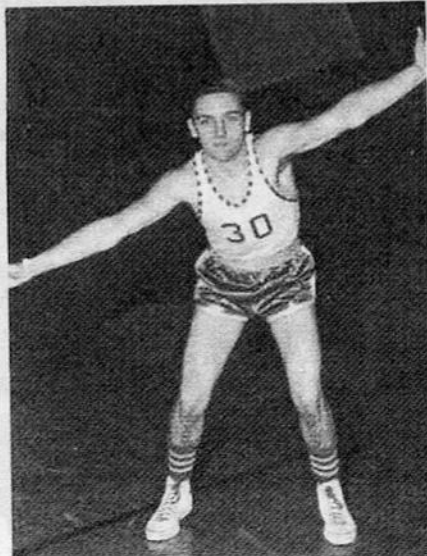
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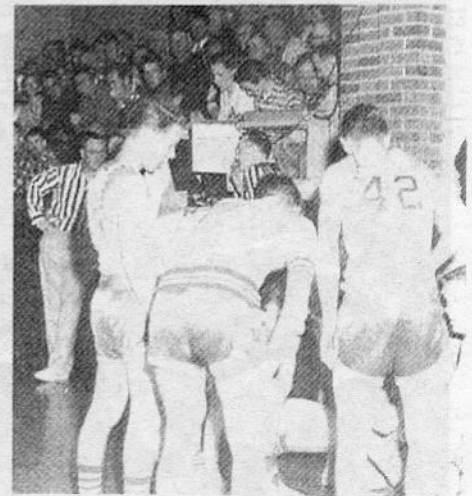
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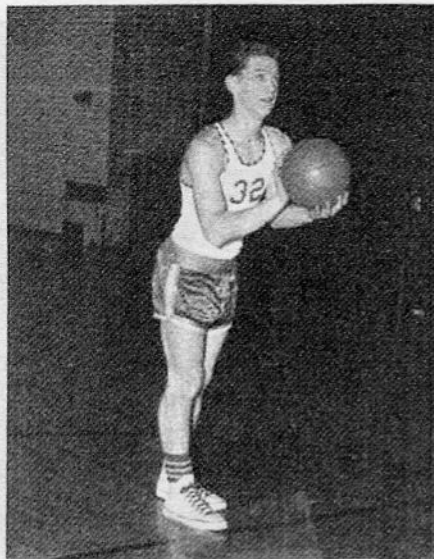
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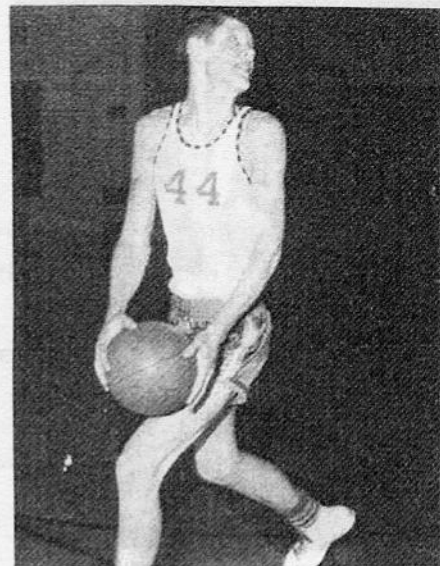
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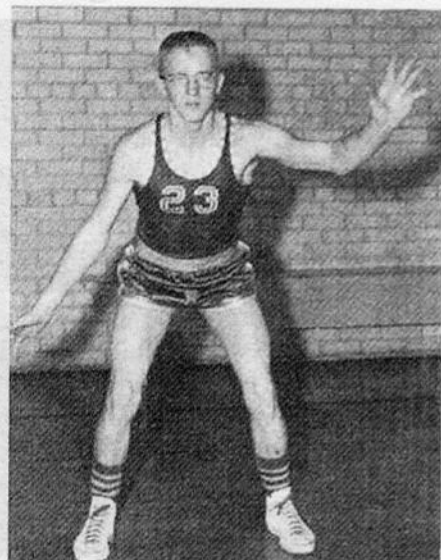
Dennis Bakke



Wesley Bring



Bob Dahl



John Haglund



Coach John Junker

JOHN JUNKER NAMED COACH OF THE WEEK

Mr. John R. Junker, coach of Newfolden high school, was named "Coach of The Week" for basketball on the WCCO Radio Prep Parade on Thursday, January 29, 1959. At the time he was honored, Mr. Junker's team was sporting a 12 to 0 season record. The next night, the Roseau Rams defeated Newfolden 52 to 45 in a game played at Roseau.

John R. Junker is a 1957 graduate of Denver University and is in his second year of coaching at Newfolden. He also coaches football and baseball. While at Denver University, Mr. Junker was named to the All Conference Baseball Squad of the Skyline Conference in his senior year. He is a graduate of Stillwater High School and has played baseball around that area as well as with the Thief River Falls Thieves during the summer of 1958.

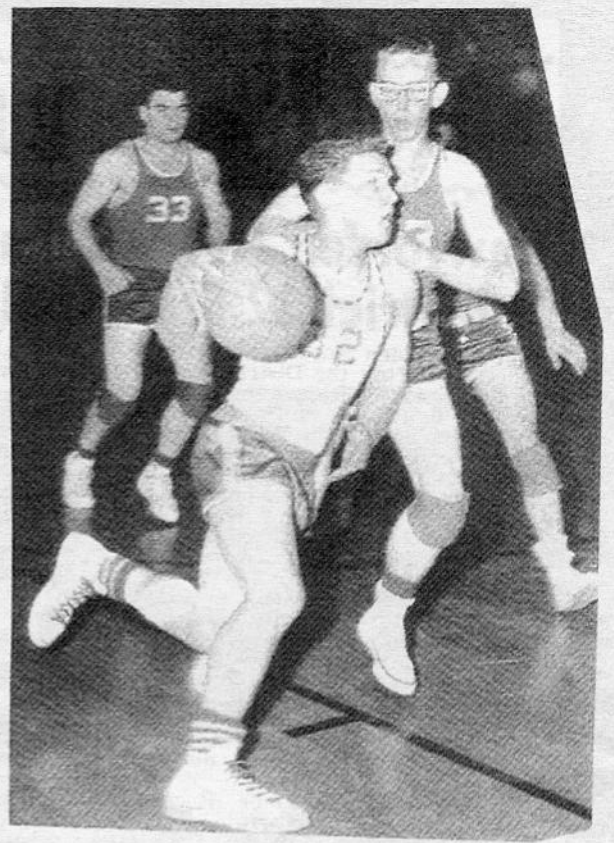


Seniors Dennis Bakke - Wesley Bring - Coach Junker

Bob Dahl - John Haglund



Cheerleaders Janice Engen
- Barbara Grandstrand -
Janice Carlson-Pat Dill

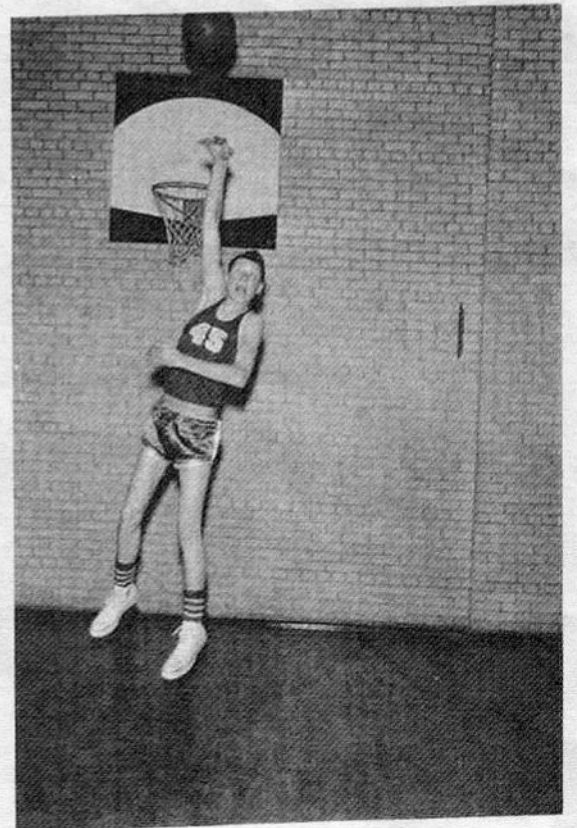


Dennis Bakke 32



Don Engelsrud 40

Bob Dahl



Bob Dahl

NEWFOLDEN COMMUNITY NEWS

Newfolden Nordics Capture Crown In District 32 Basketball Tourney

The Newfolden Nordics played clutch basketball during the District 32 tournament staged at Roseau on March 2, 3, 4, and 6, 1959 to down Kennedy, 50 to 47, Stephen, 52 to 50 in a sudden death second overtime and walked over Lancaster 70 to 56 to become District Champions. The Championship game was actually the two fourth place teams in each half of the Sub-District fighting it out for the Championship.

In East Sub-District 32 Tourney play, the Nordics defeated Greenbush handily, 62 to 38 to gain entrance into the District Tourney. Then the Nordics dropped their next two games to Roseau 53 to 51 and to Baudette, 60 to 55 to wind up in fourth place. The Nordics had defeated both of these teams once in regular season play although this was the second defeat by Roseau.

The Nordics now enter Region 8 play against the powerful Bemidji Lumberjacks at 7 p. m. Tuesday, March 10 at the University of North Dakota Fieldhouse in Grand Forks. There are no comparative scores to base the strength of the two teams on because they have not played a common foe. Bemidji has played the tougher schedule by far.

The Nordics had a 16-2 season record, a 1-2 record in Sub-District Tourney play and a 3-0 record in District Tourney play for an overall record of 20-4.

The Nordics wound up the season of 24 games scoring 1,374 points to the opposition's 1127 points. This is a game average of 57.2 points per game for the Nordics and 46.9 for the opposition. The Nordics scored 513 field goals for an average of 21.2 field goals per game which holding the opposition to 458 field goals or an average of 19 per game. The Nordics scored 354 free throws for an average of 14.7 per game while the opposition made 209 for an average of 8.5 per game. The Nordics committed 296 fouls for an average of 12.3 fouls per game while the opposition fouled 405 times for an average of 16.8 per game.

Individually, Don Engelsrud was high point man with 400 points for a 16.6 average per game. His cousin, Dennis Bakke, scored 399 points to make it almost a dead head with a 16.6 average. The only other player average in double figures was Robert Dahl who scored 291 points for a 12.1 average per game.

Foulwise, John Haglund only committed 29 fouls all season while playing in almost every minute of every game and Don Engelsrud committed only 32 fouls while playing full time. The villain of the team was Robert Dahl with 71 fouls for the season followed closely by Dennis Bakke with 65 fouls.

The Newfolden Nordics sprang to life after a rather dismal showing in the sub-district tournament and won

the District 32 Championship at Roseau by Downing Lancaster, 70 to 56, on Friday, March 6. This was a battle for the championship between the two fourth place teams in the east and west Sub-districts, Don Engelsrud and Dennis Bakke, cousins, led the Nordics scoring with 26 and 24 points respectively. Larry Weberg was high point man for Lancaster with 23 points.

The teams battled on even terms for the first five minutes of the first period when the Nordics had a 10 to 9 lead. At this point the Nordics spurred behind balanced scoring from all five starters to gain a 20 to 9 first period lead. From this point on Lancaster started a press defense which had little effect on the Nordics and they moved to a 37 to 22 halftime lead. This lead was increased to 52 to 35 by the third period stop. At times during the fourth quarter the Nordics had as much as a 23 point lead but Lancaster pulled up to within 14 points as the game ended.

Newfolden	fg	ft	f	tp
Engelsrud	12	2	2	26
Haglund	2	4	3	8
Dahl	3	2	5	8
Bring	1	0	0	2
Bakke	8	8	4	24
Hagenbeck	0	2	2	0
Haug	0	0	1	0
Elseth	0	0	1	0
Helle	0	0	0	0
Davis	0	0	0	0
Dyrud	0	0	0	0
Wehmeyer	0	0	0	0
	26	18	18	70

Lancaster	fg	ft	f	tp
Carlson	0	1	5	1
Weberg	8	7	3	23
Arneson	6	0	2	12
Glad, F.	4	3	5	11
Coffield	0	4	1	4
Nordin	0	2	0	2
Kubals	0	0	1	0
Glad, D.	1	1	0	3
Isaacson	0	0	1	0
Pearson	0	0	0	0
	19	18	18	56

Newfolden—Stephen Game

The Newfolden Nordics downed the Stephen Tigers in the semi-finals of the District Tournament, 52 to 50, on Wesley Bring's two free throws in the sudden death second overtime. The score was tied 48 to 48 after regulation play and each side made two free throws during the first overtime to tie at the end of that period, 50 to 50. Dennis Bakke of the Nordics and Bob Dahl were high point men for the evening with 15 and 14 points respectively. Don Engelsrud had 12 points also. Walter Hanson and Leonard Krolak led the Tigers with 13 apiece while Richard Anderson was in double figures with 12 points.

The Tigers led throughout most all of the game having period scores of

8 to 7, 23 to 17, and 37 to 34 but the Nordics pressed in the fourth quarter and were able to tie the score at 48 to 48.

Newfolden	fg	ft	f	tp
Engelsrud	4	4	1	12
Haglund	2	1	5	5
Dahl	7	0	5	14
Bring	1	4	2	6
Bakke	5	5	5	15
Hagenbeck	0	0	1	0
Elseth	0	0	0	0
Wehmeyer	0	0	0	0
	19	14	19	52

Stephen	fg	ft	f	tp
Anderson	3	6	3	12
Kuznia	3	2	4	8
Hanson	5	3	4	13
Krolak	6	1	1	13
Rasmussen	0	2	2	2
Swanson	0	0	0	0
Kroke	1	0	1	2
	18	14	15	50

Newfolden—Kennedy Game

After taking a nosedive and ending up in fourth place in the Sub-District Tourney, the Newfolden Nordics became the only team from the East half of District 32 to win in the first round of the District Tourney as they defeated Kennedy, top seeded team of the west half, 50 to 47, on Tuesday, March 3rd at Roseau. Don Engelsrud of the Nordics and Lyndon Lengen of the Kennedy Rockets tied for scoring honors with 22 points apiece. Other Nordics in double figures was Dennis Bakke with 16 points. Gerald Lundell potted 15 points for Kennedy.

The Nordics jumped off to a 12 to 6 first period lead on Don Engelsrud's 8 points and increased this to 9 points as they led at halftime, 31 to 22. At the end of three periods they led 43 to 31 and it seemed as if it would be easy from here on out but the Rockets put on the pressure with a 16 point output to come within 3 points 50 to 47 as the game ended.

Newfolden	fg	ft	f	tp
Engelsrud	9	4	1	22
Dahl	0	6	3	6
Haglund	1	0	3	2
Bring	1	2	2	4
Bakke	7	2	2	16
	18	14	11	50

Kennedy	fg	ft	f	tp
Hagen	1	2	1	4
Lundell	6	3	0	15
Lengen	9	4	4	22
Nelson	1	0	4	2
Christian	0	2	2	2
Johnson	1	0	3	2
	18	11	15	47