EAGLES DROP MUSTANGS

Vaughn, Kopsi, Butkovich lead Lady Eagles to first win over Munising in six years

By MR. SNYDER
The Eagles’ Cry

ENGADINE – Engadine’s victory over Munising was anything but pretty.

The Lady Eagles struggled mightily to contain the Mustangs, but emerged the victors, 56-48, on Monday.

“We’ll take the win,” Engadine coach Roger French said. “It got a little exciting at the end, but we definitely have to work on our defense.”

It was the first win over Munising for Engadine since 2014.

The Mustangs (0-2) were poised and driven at the start of the fourth quarter. After holding the Lady Eagles to just eight points in the third quarter, Munising pulled within five points behind Megan Matson. Matson was unstoppable in the fourth quarter.

“We let off a little bit in the third quarter, and our defense was slacking a bit,” Sophia Vaughn said. “But we picked it up in the fourth quarter.”

Engadine made just one basket in the opening three minutes of the final quarter. A solid effort from Emma Butkovich and lights out shooting from the charity stripe from Vaughn was the right combination for the Lady Eagles to hold off Munising.

Butkovich scored six of her 12 points in the fourth quarter. Vaughn went 4-for-6 from the free throw line.

Engadine closed out the second quarter with a substantial 12-point lead over the Mustangs. But with 1:37 left in the third quarter, the Lady Eagles drew their seventh personal foul, and a defense that held its own in the first half began deteriorating in the second half.

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Mrs. Bomber’s vocal students perform at the Christmas Bazaar in Engadine on December 8, 2019.

‘TIS THE SEASON OF GIVING IN ENGADINE

By MIRISSA SHERWOOD
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ENGADINE – Engadine is teaming up with their Key Club to give back to the community and others in need.

On Monday, December 4th, 2019, the Key Club put up two Giving Trees in the elementary and high school parts of Engadine Consolidated Schools.

The trees have mittens on them that say things like “6 year old girl who likes unicorns and puzzles” or they would have an amount of money. People stop by the tree, grab a mitten and try to bring in small donations. These donations go to the community or an orphanage in Haiti, a small country in need. All these donations go to a good cause.

“Okay, so the Giving Tree is about giving back to the community and helping others in need,” Key Club member Brianna Caswell said. “So we’re working with a small orphanage in Haiti, and their not doing very well right now. So some(thing) on one of the gloves could say like to give a small donation to the charity. It doesn’t have to be a lot just like a little bit. And on another glove there could say to give back to children in need in Chippewa area. Like, it will say girl and what they want for Christmas and things like that. And then you can bring it in to Mrs. DeWyse by this week and then it gets given to them.”

When asked about the goal of the Giving Tree, Caswell hopes the aim is to get the community more involved in charitable efforts.

“I hope that people actually donate to the charity or the orphanage and that the children get the things that they need or they want for Christmas...” Caswell said. “Cause some people aren’t as fortunate as others.”

It’s a great idea that Key club and ECS are helping the needy when it comes to the holidays. Not everyone is as fortunate as others, but any donations to the children will help give them have a better Christmas. It’s our mission to help these children and let them enjoy Christmas. Even though there’s not much time for people to donate, any kind of donation is appreciated. All of the donations, toys and money, will all be sent out at the end of this week after being approved for the kids.

Brooke Newland/The Eagle’s Cry

Students play a present stacking game at the Town Hall during the third annual Christmas tree lighting presented by the Key Club on December 8, 2019.

Alicia King displays homemade maple syrup made by her and her family at the Christmas Bazaar.
“We’re up 12 at half,” French said. “(Munising) pulled it back into single digits. We’re just hacking. We’re a little bit slow on reaction and loose balls. We just gave up way too many free throws.”

Munising shot 24 free throws on the night, completing 16 of those 24 free throws. Matson shot 15 of the Mustangs 24 free throws and made 11 of the team’s 16 free throws.

Engadine established a strong tone on defense in the first half, being led by Camille Crandall. Crandall bothered the Mustangs all night and was responsible for seven of Engadine’s 13 steals, snatching three of them herself.

“She is definitely our defensive stopper,” French said. “She had six points. Those are plus points for us. She’s the girl points. Those are plus points.”

Izzy Kopsi was a dominant force in the first half. Kopsi accounted for 12 of Engadine’s 34 first half points.

However, in the second half, she was a non-factor. Playing with four personal fouls, Kopsi did all she could to not foul out. With her and Butkovich playing with four fouls, Matson had free reign in the low post to keep the Mustangs in the game.

**MUNISING (0-2) 48**

Megan Matson 9-25 11-15 29, Audree Hines 15-12 4, Taylin Behring 12-12 1-3 3, Crystal Murdock 2-6 13-5, Jenna Matson 2-7 3-8 8, Alivia Killips 0-4 0 0, Lori Matson 0-1 0 0. **Totals 48**

**ENGADINE (2-0) 56**

Sophia Vaughn 7-18 (2-3) 6-10 22, Emma Butkovich 6-12 (0-2) 0 0 12, Izzy Kopsi 7-14 (0-3) 0 0 14, Becca Cameron 1-3 (0-1) 0 0 2, Camille Crandall 2-2 (0-1) 0 0 4, MJ Cobe 0-3 (0-0) 0 0 0, Leah French 0-4 (0-3) 0 0 0, Madeleine Miller 0-3 (0-2) 0 0 0, Kearra Paquin 12-0 0 0, Alyssa Feneley 0-3 (0-1) 0 0 0. **Totals 56**

The Eagles’ Cry

Members of Mrs. Wheeler’s third grade class perform during the Elementary Winter Concert on Tuesday, December 10, 2019.

**HOLIDAYS ARE HERE**

By ARIN ESPER and LEAH GOULD

The Elementary Winter Concert was spectacular and fun to watch. As everyone watched them it looked like they were having fun and they practiced really hard.

“The kids were very cute and energetic when they sang. Before the concert, parents and students noticed there were a lot of winter decorations. One of the first things members of the audience noticed was the posters on the doors. Then, as everyone walked in, there were snowmen decorations on the stage and snowflakes on the stage curtains.”

The sixth grade band also performed at the end of the concert. They played three songs, and their performance was the best by a sixth grade band in a few years. The students sang for Mrs. McArthur because she is leaving very soon.

“My favorite song that my kids sang was the shopping bag song,” Bomber stated. “But it started out with an after school program for the kids. The kids that were in that after school program are in 11th and 12th grade now.

The sentimental value of the concert brings joy to me and my students while we sing and dance.” Bomber said.

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**The Eagles’ Cry**

Members of Mrs. McClelland’s fifth grade class perform during the Elementary Winter Concert.
Members of the community listen to a performance during the annual Christmas Tea in the library on December 11, 2019.

TEA FOR MORE THAN TWO

By MIRISSA SHERWOOD
The Eagles’ Cry
ENGADINE — Every year around Christmas at the Engadine Consolidated Schools, a musical event happens in the Engadine library.

Students from Choir and music class come to sing songs and play the piano for guests that enjoy some tea and sweets. Families, community members and others all come to gather around and listen to the voices of the Engadine High School Choir and fourth and fifth graders sing.

Every year the Christmas Tea in the library is hosted by former teacher Mrs. Nelson and ECS librarian Melanie Chaffin. They get some help from the elementary music teacher Mrs. Bomber, who helps by bringing in the kids to perform at the tea.

The varieties of tea change every year and volunteers bring in delicious treats. While some new and old music is used to perform each year.

“We started doing this program a couple years ago when Mrs. (Janice) Wagner was still the librarian,” Bomber said. “She asked if we could do some music for the Christmas Tea and so we started putting a program together for it for some entertainment during the tea. And so each year we look forward to doing this program and each year the students pick some of the music. My students, you know we look at all the ... we have lots of choices and sometimes they will want something somebody did last year that we like so they help pick their choices and sometimes they come with new songs.”

The performers, students from high school and elementary school, pick out their songs every year. Students from fourth and fifth grade join in to entertain guests with music in the library every year. Some students perform in groups while other students perform a solo. Students even perform a solo on the piano. The groups all sing as one with different and previous songs that have been played in the past years.

Your weekly weather

| SAT DEC 14 | Snow Showers | 34°F | 60% | NE 6 mph | 95% |
| SUN DEC 15 | Snow Showers | 21°F | 40% | NW 12 mph | 78% |
| MON DEC 16 | Partly Cloudy | 20°F | 10% | SW 7 mph | 75% |
| TUE DEC 17 | Partly Cloudy | 24°F | 20% | WSW 7 mph | 83% |
| WED DEC 18 | Mostly Cloudy | 22°F | 20% | WSW 8 mph | 81% |
| THU DEC 19 | AM Snow Showers | 31°F | 30% | SSW 10 mph | 81% |
| FRI DEC 20 | Mostly Cloudy | 29°F | 20% | SSW 8 mph | 87% |

SCHOOL BOARD

ENGADINE — At the December meeting, the school board voted unanimously to pass its Consent Agenda. It also voted to pass Mr. Reed’s new superintendent contract, which includes provisions as the high school principal.

The school board also voted to pass a payout of 10 vacation days for Mrs. McArthur, rather than forcing her to use them.

GABBY’S CORNER

This week, Gabby Sanborn gives her opinion about the current trend of terrible snow that has blanketed Engadine earlier this week.

There was a lot of snow (Thursday) and if it’s going to snow like this (today), then there might not be school.

In the winter that’s when there’s a lot of snow. When there’s really low temperatures, that could close school. Also in winter, when there’s a lot of snow on the power pole, people might lose power. It depends mainly how heavy the snow is.

In Michigan, there will be plenty snow in the winter. People like to play and walk in the snow. People also have to shovel snow when it snows a lot.

Some people like snow and other people do not. It all depends on their opinion.

Snow can be heavy and snow can be light. You could eat snow, and also snow could get on your boots and also on your snow pants.