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BETWEEN THE LINES



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Simply an amazing long run

Winning titles is just what they do in Springville

When the Springville volleyball team wrapped up their second consecutive Tri-Rivers Conference West division championship last week with a three-set sweep hosting Edgewood-Colesburg, I decided to go back and do some digging to get a little closer look into the Orioles' incredible history over the past decade.

I knew, just off the top of my head, that Springville has been one of the most dominant programs in the league, and on this side of the state, too, making numerous state tournament berths.

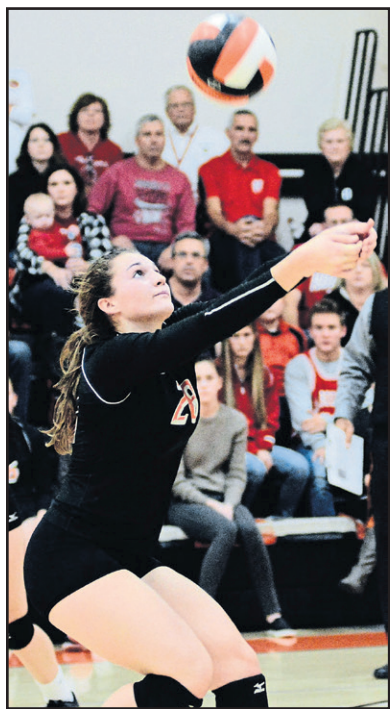
But I guess I had forgotten just how amazing their run has actually been.

Mind boggling doesn't even come close to describing what head coach Claude Howard and his teams have accomplished.

Just stop and soak in these numbers for a second.

Since Howard took over the reins of the program back in 2013 (10

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Springville's Madi Wagaman makes a pass during the Orioles' 2017 volleyball run to a program-best 39-3 record, Tri-Rivers Conference West division championship and state tournament berth, all of which have become Springville staples over the past decade.

ANAMOSA FOOTBALL



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Anamosa senior Devin Brophy gets a pass off while receiving pressure from the Monticello defense accumulating some of his career-high 242 passing yards as the Raiders were handed a tough 52-24 Cowbell setback against the visiting Panthers Friday, Oct. 7.

More than the score

Raiders and Panthers give their fans another wild ride

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ANAMOSA

It's been a rivalry that has seen some of the most amazing drama football can possibly

produce covering generations of amazing play.

Anamosa and Monticello play for the coveted Cowbell each and every fall, and the thrill of victory and agony of defeat is just a part of the game, and has been felt by both programs numerous times in the more than 100 times the two teams have played.

For a while Friday, Oct. 7, it

appeared fans who packed into Downing Field were going to be treated to yet another high-pressure, drama-filled thriller.

Then, with the way the Panthers closed the contest with a huge fourth quarter run, they weren't.

And that agony of defeat fell hard to the Raider sideline.

But the hosts certainly had nothing to hang their heads about.

"We just had some key plays in the fourth quarter not go our way," said Anamosa football coach Caleb Huss, as his team, who led 10-9 at the half, would eventually succumb to 52-24 defeat, a score on paper that would appear to be very lopsided, but for anyone in attendance that night knew the contest was

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ANAMOSA CROSS COUNTRY

Making cross country history

Raiders ready for stretch of big meets

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MANCHESTER

Talk about putting it all together at exactly the right time, the class 2A 15th-ranked Anamosa boys' cross country team wrapped the regular season portion of their 2022 campaign with one epic performance in Manchester Tuesday, Oct. 4, competing at the West

Delaware Invitational on the Hart Ridge Golf course.

Actually, you could even call it, historic.

"This was absolutely what I was looking for when we started the season and worked on our training, it was all for moments like this and I can't wait to see what we can accomplish in the next couple of weeks," said a euphoric Raider cross country coach Ken Sunseri, as all seven of his boys competing in the varsity race

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Anamosa freshman Ava Remley runs with the leaders during early action from the West Delaware Invitational on the Hart Ridge Golf Course in Manchester Tuesday, Oct. 4, where she placed a solid 18th overall against the 137-runner field coming through with a team-best time of 20:41.