

Agates Fall to Esko

By John Sandstrom

The Agates dropped a 24-0 game to a talented Esko Ekomo team Friday in Esko. The game actually was a lot closer than the score reflects, however. Esko held a 10-0 lead at the half and it stayed that way until about three minutes were left in the game when Esko scored on two long touchdowns to pull away.

Coach Tom Nelson was frank when assessing the team's play. "Esko is a really talented team. They do so many things well and they have some outstanding athletes. I have told our kids that we just did not execute on offense and that was disappointing. I thought we

did a solid job on defense. We did a nice job keeping their passing game in check. During the second half we played three freshmen and two sophomores on defense and I was very proud of them."

It isn't that the Agates didn't have opportunities. Nelson said, "We had a nine minute drive and a seven minute drive that moved the ball and we got nothing from either drive. That is our game, especially when we play a team that has an explosive offense. We want the ball. We want to run the ball. We want to run the clock, but we need to score".

Senior Matson Granmoe, who suffered a shoulder injury during the game said, "We did some things well and some not so well. Against a good team like Esko we have to do everything well". Asked about the season overall, Matson summarized, "We plan to finish strong, period".

The Agates host Pine City this Friday. Unfortunately, they will not be able to play the final game on the regular schedule against the Proctor Rails because the Proctor football season was cancelled for the remainder of the season.

William Kelley Graduates Join Leadership Duluth Program

By Kitty Mayo

Three graduates of William Kelley High School in Silver Bay are participating in the current class of Leadership Duluth. A program initiated by the Duluth Chamber of Commerce, the leadership training is intended to develop emerging leaders and inspire them to take an active role in the health and prosperity of the area.

Emma Deaner, Molly (McLeet) Floen, and Sheena (Guzzo) Kern were all selected through an application process for the year-long program. Deaner currently works at Glensheen Mansion, Floen at Compudyne, and Kern at

Frost River Trading Co.

Marther Bremer, director at Leadership Duluth, says that the program is now in its 33rd year. This year's class of 53 individuals were selected out of what she calls, "a pretty competitive application process."

Starting in August the group meets one full day a month, developing leaders are exposed to organizations in the community that need support, and Bremer says the goal is "to inspire giving back to your community".

Leadership Duluth works to educate the participants about the cultural and business his-

tory of Duluth, and looks at current issues facing the area. Some of the topics explored include; health care, sustainability, and culture and heritage.

Service projects are a large component of Leadership Duluth, and are completed at a local nonprofit organization. Intended to educate participants on the current social challenges in the community, members of the Leadership Duluth identify a cause or organization they want to affect positive change in, and then develop and implement a project to that end.

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