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*Coach Steffenhagen -  
You can be so proud of your 3 young coaches who came  
with your team players and the members of your  
Varsity team who represented D.C. Everest.  
They all did you & their parents proud!*

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Dear Editor:

On a beautiful sunny day this week, when most of us wanted to be outside enjoying the lovely day, I was surprised to follow a group of D. C. Everest football players into the front entrance of my mother's nursing home – Kennedy Park Medical & Rehab Center in Schofield. After asking one of the coaches what the team was doing there, he told me that team member Adam Knowles and team captain Kyle Schwan had come up with the community service idea to spend an afternoon helping the residents with an activity. They then asked for volunteers from the senior and junior men on the Everest Varsity Football Team to help with the project.

Watching these smiling young men decked out in their D.C. Everest football jerseys serving punch and cookies, and taking time out from a perfect summer afternoon to hug and talk to older senior citizens, many who have severe dementia, brought a tear to my eye and a smile to my lips. The elderly residents were so appreciative of the time and attention these young people gave to them.

A sincere thank you and congratulations to these caring and kind young men and to their fine parents, coaches and teachers who taught them to give back to their community.

With Gratitude,

*Diane V. VanEyck*

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