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» COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT



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Celebrating volunteerism

Addison Trail High School senior Genesis Garcia (left) receives the Violet Richardson Award on Saturday from Diane Kegley, president of Soroptimist International of Suburban Chicago. The organization recognized local women for their volunteerism and academic achievements at a celebration at Hi-View Restaurant in Villa Park. At Addison Trail, Garcia is president of the Key Club and Best Buddies and part of other projects and groups. To learn more about Soroptimist International of Suburban Chicago, visit www.si-suburbanchicago.org.

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Students with visual impairments benefit from new club

SUBURBAN LIFE MEDIA

ADDISON - The Addison Lions Club recently formed the Leo Club at Addison Trail High School, creating the only Leo Club in Illinois where all members have a visual impairment.

The club offers students opportunities to expand on their leadership and teamwork skills, and it includes 22 members from the School Association for Special Educa-

Know more

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tion in DuPage County vision program.

Officers are responsible for planning and running club meetings, sending emails, preparing meeting minutes and keeping finan-

cial records. Club members also contribute in the planning and preparation of club fundraisers.


Proceeds help the group fund various projects and activities, according to a District 88 newsletter.

The Leo Club allows students with visual impairments to understand the impact they can make on the world and gives them the confidence to succeed outside of Addison Trail, the release stated.



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Addison Trail High School senior Ana Garcia (from left), Leo Club adviser Liz Jacobson, senior Shelley McGrath-Myers and junior Dustin Youngren are members of the club's Board of Directors along with junior Natalio Abar, who is not pictured.



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Park district hosts annual Park Pride Cleanup Day

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ADDISON - On May 10, more than 30 Addison Trail High School staff members and students from a handful of student groups rolled up their sleeves and participated in the seventh annual Addison Park District Park Pride Cleanup Day.

The volunteers helped the

park district prepare for summer by cleaning up the parks, spreading mulch and beautifying the village of Addison. Students also volunteered at a recycling event that day at Community Park.

For information about Park Pride Cleanup - or to get involved next year - call the Addison Park District at 630-233-7275.



ABOVE: Addison Trail High School sophomores Anthony Vega (from left), Alessandro Palazzofo, Jose Acencion Vega, Max Sanchez and Andrew Lopez, junior Cody Welsh, freshman Marquise Martin, junior Josh Broschinsky, sophomore Michael Tinoco and Addison Trail coach Mike Cappizzano help spread mulch May 10 at Army Trail Nature Center during the seventh annual Addison Park District Park Pride Cleanup Day.



LEFT: Addison Trail High School junior Kiki Reyes (left) and senior Kacper Mierzejewski help clean up Army Trail Nature Center on May 10 during the seventh annual Addison Park District Park Pride Cleanup Day.

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Thanks for another wonderful school year

It's hard to believe another school year is coming to an end, but on June 8, we will graduate nearly 1,000 students from DuPage High School District 88.

It has been another wonderful year filled with many accomplishments, and we know those successes are because of our knowledgeable and supportive Board of Education, our dedicated and passionate staff, our engaged students and our involved parents and community members. It truly takes a team to build futures for the students of District 88, and I thank you for your partnership. Below are five highlights from the 2013-14 school year.



COMMUNITY VOICE

Scott Helton

1. Preliminary numbers show about 90 percent of the class of 2014 at District 88's high schools, Addison Trail and Willowbrook, has been accepted to a two- or four-year college or university.

2. More students than ever enrolled in Advanced Placement courses this year, which allow students to earn college credit while in high school.

3. So far this year, 68 student-athletes from District 88 have qualified for Illinois High School Association (IHSA) state competitions, and one student-athlete received All-American recognition. In the West Suburban Conference, District 88 has won six conference titles, and 41 student-athletes from District 88 have signed to play their sport at the collegiate level.

4. Our students and staff continue to give back to their communities. They raised more than \$50,000 for the American Cancer Society, hosted blood drives to benefit LifeSource and once again participated in the Park Pride Cleanup in Addison and the Salt Creek Cleanup in Addison and Villa Park.

5. We joined together with the county to educate students, parents and community members about the heroin epidemic in the county and state. We hosted a Student Leadership Symposium, where students from 23 schools from throughout DuPage County gathered to discuss how to combat this issue. We also hosted public symposiums at each school.

Because of those successes, Addison Trail and Willowbrook have once again been recognized by The Washington Post as two of "America's Most Challenging High Schools" and ranked in the top 6 percent of U.S. public high schools for 2014. District 88 has been ranked in the challenge index for seven consecutive years, since 2008. The end of the school year is a wonderful time to acknowledge all you do for our students. Thank you for helping us accomplish our mission of working for the continuous improvement of student achievement.

Dr. Scott Helton is the superintendent for DuPage High School District 88.



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Justin Fernandes of Lisle High School demonstrates the effects of UV light on his team's transitioning baby window visor while it is mounted on a car door May 14 at the Engineering Showcase at the Technology Center of DuPage in Addison.



The Technology Center of DuPage in Addison turns students into engineers through its Pathway to Engineering program. The program sounds like an excellent opportunity for area high school students to get a head start on the path to future careers in science, technology, engineering and math.



Addison Trail High School students and teachers walked to raise money for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation earlier this month in honor of senior Anthony Corona, who was diagnosed with cystic fibrosis at birth. It's great to see Addison students support each other.

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AT senior named May recipient of 88's Best

SUBURBAN LIFE MEDIA

ADDISON - Senior Abby Meinen was named Addison Trail High School's May recipient of the 88's Best recognition for her academic accomplishments.

At the end of her senior year, Meinen will have successfully completed 11 Advanced Placement and 10 honors classes. Meinen is a two-time member of the National Honor Society, an AP Scholar with honors and an Illinois State Scholar, according to a District 88 newsletter.

She also has been listed on the Distinct Honor Roll all four years of her high school career.

Meinen has been involved in several Addison Trail extra-curricular programs. She is a four-year member of the girls volleyball team, two-year participant in softball and bowling, a Key Club member the past two years and a four-year Student Council member.

Throughout high school, she also has been a member of

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the Lettermen Club, Pre-Calculus Math Team, Illinois Math Competition and Freshmen Mentor and Pay It Forward programs, the newsletter stated.

Outside of school, Meinen has helped with Kiwanis Peanut Day, Go Pink or Go Home, Volley for the Cure, Key Club Can Drive, Relay For Life, Toys for Tots, Feed My Starving Children and volleyball kids camps, according to the newsletter.

In the fall, Meinen plans to attend Milwaukee School of Engineering, where she plans on studying industrial engineering on a free-tuition scholarship. She was recognized during the May 12 District 88 Board of Education meeting.



Addison Trail High School Assistant Principal Mike Bolden shakes hands with senior Abby Meinen, whom has been named as Addison Trail's May recipient of the 88's Best recognition.

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Showing progress

Addison Trail softball finding success after recent struggles

By DAN SANTAROMITA
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ADDISON - The progression of Addison Trail's softball team during the regular season the past two years has been obvious. Now, the Blazers need to show the progression in the postseason.

As the No. 13 seed in the very tough Bartlett sectional, the Blazers have an uphill battle to do so, but the team should be riding an emotional high after an impressive comeback win Monday against Willowbrook.

AT scored seven runs in the top of the seventh to win 7-4 against its District 88 rivals.

"We kind of caught some lightning in a bottle there and got the momentum and it all panned out for us," coach Mark Olson said. "We just found every hole."

The Blazers entered Thursday's game against Niles North with a 19-15 record, which is well beyond the 13 wins AT won in the last two seasons combined.

"The steps and the progress the girls have taken, that's what you love to see," Olson said. "This season has been incredibly successful in what we've accomplished and how we've played overall other than one or two bad days. The first Willowbrook game was a bad day for us, as was the Downers Grove South game [on May 7, a 19-1 loss], but other than that we've been competitive."

"We kind of caught some lightning in a bottle there and got the momentum and it all panned out for us. We just found every hole."

Mark Olson
Addison Trail softball coach

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Last year, the Blazers entered a regional semifinal game as a No. 12 seed but lost to Bartlett 9-1. The forgettable performance was a learning experience for the team.

Olson is hoping this more experienced group will be more ready for the postseason.

The Blazers will have a regional quarterfinal against Larkin, the lowest seed in the regional, to initiate them into the postseason, and they are the favorite to win the game.

"We're happy that we have a play-in game because last year we had a young team and we had a lot of jitters going into that playoff game," Olson said.

Senior Crystal Marinelli continues to be a rock for the team in the lineup. In addition to pitching, Marinelli was hitting .490 entering Wednesday's Hinsdale South game.

"She is just an incredible athlete," Olson said. "We have to play her probably out of position as our No. 1 pitcher, but she has done incredible things with the bat. She has those intangibles. You watch her play and she plays so hard. She's been the glue for us."



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Addison Trail's Ari Renc attempts to lay down a bunt during Wednesday's home game against Hinsdale South. The Blazers continued their breakout year with a 10-3 win against the Hornets.

WHAT TO WATCH

■ **GIRLS SOCCER:** Glenbard East hosts York in a Class 3A regional final at 6:30 p.m. today.

■ **BOYS TRACK:** Addison Trail, Glenbard East and Willowbrook all compete in the Lake Park sectional meet starting at 4 p.m. today.

■ **GIRLS SOCCER:** Montini takes on host Hinsdale South in a Class 2A regional championship game at 4:30 p.m. today.

►►PREP ROUNDUP

Montini hurlers combine for no-hitter

SUBURBAN LIFE MEDIA

Montini's softball team went 2-1 Saturday at the Niles West Tournament.

The Broncos beat Joliet Central 10-9, lost against Joliet Catholic 7-5 and beat the hosts 8-0. Naomi Alonzo, Lauren Trojnar and Serena Almodovar combined for a no-hitter against the Wolves.

Montini recently beat Wheaton Academy 9-7 and lost to Peotone 6-1.

BASEBALL Willowbrook

The Warriors took two of three against Morton last week to finish 11-7 in the West Suburban Gold.

Jake Cady gave up just two unearned runs in an 8-2 win in Game 1. Brian Johnson had three hits, and Mike Rothmund and Tyler Zunkel had two each. After losing the second game 3-1, Matt Pizur pitched a shut-out in a eight-inning, 1-0 victory in the rubber game. Willowbrook then beat Glenbard West 10-0 Wednesday.

Montini

After beating Guerin 15-0 Monday and Geneva 2-1 Tuesday, the Broncos lost to Fenwick 7-4 Wednesday.

GIRLS SOCCER Addison Trail

Lake Park ended the Blazers' season Saturday with a 9-0 win in a regional quarterfinal game.

Willowbrook

Oak Park-River Forest beat the Warriors 6-0 Wednesday in a regional semifinal.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL Glenbard East

Ben Symonds' 18 digs



Erica Benson - ebenson@shawmedia.com

Montini pitcher Lauren Trojnar delivers a pitch during a May 12 home game against St. Francis in Lombard. Trojnar and teammates Naomi Alonzo and Serena Almodovar combined to throw a no-hitter Saturday.

were't enough in a 25-15, 25-18 loss Tuesday against DVC-leading Lake Park.

Addison Trail

The Blazers bounced back from a 26-24, 26-24 loss May 15 against Benet by going 5-0 at the Willowbrook Invite over the weekend. They beat Ley-

den, Geneva, Wheaton North and Hinsdale Central (twice) to win the tournament.

On Tuesday, AT beat Hinsdale South 25-13, 25-13 to finish 5-1 in the West Suburban Gold.

AT beat Oak Park-River Forest 25-18, 25-23 Wednesday thanks to 21 assists from Kevin Grygo and seven kills from

Anthony Chiamonte.

BOYS GYMNASTICS Addison Trail

Six different Blazers competed at the state meet Saturday at Hinsdale Central.

Senior Marco Martinez placed 16th on the horizontal bar and 26th on the parallel bars.

R.J. Infusino (42nd, still rings), Akash Patel (51st, vault), Marcus Rias (54th, vault), Daniel Baeza (55th, vault) and Alfredo Torres (55th, floor exercise) also competed.

Willowbrook

Kaewe Winstead was 18th in the pommel horse at the state meet.

Colton Bach took 20th on vault, Bret Golz was 22nd on horizontal bar and 58th in floor and Corey Co-man placed 42nd in pommel horse.

Glenbard East

Mike McGowan was the Rams' lone representative at the state meet last weekend, taking 35th on vault.

BADMINTON Willowbrook

The Warriors tied for 14th at the state tournament over the weekend.

Brooke Bimber and Janine Johnson won three main draw matches in doubles before dropping the next two. Sydney Planz and Maddie Arnold were 2-2 in doubles.

In singles, Amanda Wendt was 1-2, and Katherine Hinman went 0-2.

Glenbard East

The doubles team of Katie Czervionke and Fatima Sakrani went 0-2 at state.

Big numbers to know 31-4

All boys volleyball, final regular season record

11

Trials for Will

pitcher Matt Pizur in Monday's eight-inning, 1-0 win against Morton

18

Goals scored by Montini girls

scored Wednesday in an 8-0 sectional semifinal win against Warist

18-1

Combined score of Addison Trail baseball's doubleheader sweep Saturday of 10 Catholic

15-20

Final regular season record for Willowbrook boys volleyball after recent wins against St. Joseph and Proviso East

BASEBALL PLAYOFF PREVIEW

Postseason's first pitch around corner for area teams

By DAN SANTAROMITA
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The baseball postseason is right around the corner, and the ultimate goal is to make it to the state finals June 13 and 14 at Joliet's Silver Cross Field. Here's the outlook for York, Willowbrook, Montini and other area teams:

Addison Trail

Regional: Hoffman Estates
Sectional: Schaumburg
Sectional seed: No. 18
First game: 11 a.m. Monday vs. No. 16 Hoffman Estates
Outlook: After an 0-6 start in the West Suburban Gold and 2-15 start overall, the Blazers have shown great improvement throughout the season and went on to finish 7-11 in the WSG. Pitcher Joe Kurucar helped to spark the turnaround with three straight WSG shutouts.
The Blazers open at Hoffman Estates for a regional quarterfinal. The winner faces No. 2 St. Charles East.



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Addison Trail's Mike Rybarczyk makes the force out play at second base in an April 16 game against Willowbrook. Both AT and Willowbrook are in the Schaumburg sectional for the playoffs.

Glenbard East

Regional: St. Charles North
Sectional: Schaumburg
Sectional seed: No. 14
First game: 10 a.m. Monday vs. No. 19 Conant
Outlook: The Rams are riding some momentum at the end of the season by winning their final three DuPage Valley Conference series against Naperville North, Lake Park and

Wheaton Warrenville South to finish 9-12 in the DVC.

The playoff opener is exactly the same as last year as East hosts Conant in a regional quarterfinal. If the Rams win they will advance to see No. 3 seed St. Charles North.

Montini

Regional: Montini
Sectional: Glenbard South

Sectional seed: No. 3

First game: 4:30 p.m. Wednesday vs. No. 14 Prosser/No. 19 North Lawndale

Outlook: Montini is in a tough Class 3A sectional with the likes of Nazareth, Clemente and Benet. The Roadrunners have won five straight sectional titles. Clemente beat the Broncos 9-3 on May 3 and Benet shared the East Suburban Catholic Conference title. In order to get to those teams, Montini likely will have to get past Glenbard South in a regional final. The Raiders have struggled lately after starting 9-0 in the Metro Suburban Conference.

Willowbrook

Regional: York
Sectional: Schaumburg
Sectional seed: No. 9
First game: 4:30 p.m. Thursday vs. No. 8 York
Outlook: First baseman Mike Rothmund crushed the ball this season, and pitcher T.J. Case allowed one earned run. That duo, along with a tal-

ented supporting cast, makes Willowbrook a tough out in the playoffs.

The Warriors, who finished third in the West Suburban Gold at 11-7, open with a rematch against York, which knocked them out of the playoffs last year.

York

Regional: York
Sectional: Schaumburg
Sectional seed: No. 8
First game: 4:30 p.m. Thursday vs. No. 9 Willowbrook
Outlook: The Dukes are one of the hottest teams around, winning the final nine conference games to share the West Suburban Silver title. York recovered from a slow start to the season behind the pitching of Anthony Santos, Seth Dvorak and Alex Pedote. Santos also has been the Dukes' top hitter. Willowbrook, the Dukes' first-round opponent, beat York 7-6 April 24. The winner likely faces top seed Batavia in the final.

SOFTBALL PLAYOFF PREVIEW

Trip to Peoria: The goal for York, Montini, other area teams

By DAN SANTAROMITA
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Softball diamonds around the state are about to be busy with postseason games as teams vie to make it to the state finals June 13 and 14 at Peoria's EastSide Centre. Here's the outlook for York, Willowbrook, Montini and other area teams:

Addison Trail

Regional: Addison Trail
Sectional: Bartlett
Sectional seed: No. 13
First game: 11 a.m. Monday vs. No. 20 Larkin
Outlook: The Blazers' winning record this season is a huge step considering they won just two games two seasons ago. AT is hoping to show improvement in the postseason, as well.
Senior pitcher Crystal Marinelli will be key, both

pitching and batting as she is nearly hitting .500.

The regional quarterfinal against Larkin gives the Blazers a great opportunity to win the program's first playoff game since 2009. The winner gets No. 4 St. Charles North on Tuesday.

Glenbard East

Regional: Hoffman Estates
Sectional: Bartlett
Sectional seed: No. 17
First game: 4:30 p.m. Monday at No. 15 Lake Park
Outlook: The young Rams team finished 1-13 in the DuPage Valley Conference. As a result, East opens in a regional quarterfinal at Lake Park. In the regular season, the Lancers edged the Rams 8-7 May 2 and 7-6 May 19.
Dana Camp homered and had four RBIs in the May 19 game.

Montini

Regional: Aurora Central Catholic
Sectional: Glenbard South
Sectional seed: No. 1
First game: 4:30 p.m. Tuesday vs. No. 16 Hancock/No. 17 Bogan
Outlook: The Broncos' powerful offense has staggering numbers. As of Wednesday, Montini was hitting .361 as a team with 25 home runs. Those numbers helped Montini win the Suburban Christian Blue with a perfect 16-0 record. Riverside Brookfield or Aurora Central Catholic awaits in a regional final while St. Francis is a potential sectional semifinal opponent.

Timothy Christian

Regional: St. Francis
Sectional: Glenbard South
Sectional seed: No. 12
First game: 4:30 p.m. Wednesday vs. No. 5 Evergreen Park
Outlook: The Trojans have been

led by junior Kaitlyn Gehrke, sophomore Kaylee Biscan and freshman Marian Robinson, who are all hitting above .300. Timothy could see No. 4 seed St. Francis if it wins against Evergreen Park.

Willowbrook

Regional: Rolling Meadows
Sectional: Bartlett
Sectional seed: No. 9
First game: 7 p.m. Tuesday vs. No. 8 Fremd
Outlook: Power hitters Sam Schmidt and Alyssa Rensing can turn around a game with one swing, but the Warriors probably will need a number of big hits from the junior duo this postseason. The Warriors open against Fremd, which has won six straight regional titles. Willowbrook last won a regional in 1993. The winner likely faces top seed Glenbard North.

York

Regional: Evanston
Sectional: Trinity
Sectional seed: No. 1
First game: 4:30 p.m. Tuesday vs. No. 14 Evanston/No. 17 Lake View
Outlook: The Dukes will travel north for the regional and will do so as the top sectional seed. York's regular season wasn't as dominant as hoped after returning almost all of a team which was fourth in Class 4A a year ago. At 7-5, the Dukes finished third in the West Suburban Silver. DePaul-bound center fielder Angela Scalzitti and power-hitting sophomore Abby Solem give York plenty of offense. Pitcher Brooke Bandy, who was the No. 1 pitcher in the postseason last year, returned Saturday after missing most of the season with an injury.

Suburban Life

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



GRACE VITEK

IC Catholic
Senior | Soccer

Why Vitek was selected:

Vitek scored a goal and had two assists in the Knights' 3-0 win against Timothy Christian in a Class 1A regional final.

IC Catholic senior forward Grace Vitek is the only senior on the Knights' soccer team but has carried the team. She scored a goal and had two assists in the regional final win against neighbor school Timothy Christian and helped the Knights advance to a sectional final with a blowout win Wednesday against Instituto Health Science Charter. Vitek, this week's Oak Trust Credit Union Athlete of the Week, talked with Suburban Life sports reporter Dan Santaromita after the win against Timothy.

What does it mean to be a regional champion as a senior?
It's awesome. We worked hard for this all season, so it

feels great.

You beat Timothy Christian 1-0 March 27. What was different this time around?

I don't think it was necessarily easier. It's always just a close game between them and us. It's just about the chances that we have and finishing them off.

You didn't play with IC when the team won a sectional last year. Are you trying to re-create that as part of the team this year?

I was focusing on club soccer last year and my sophomore year. I wanted to play this year because it was my senior year. I kind of did wish I was a part of it, but what can you do?

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► TRACK AND FIELD ROUNDUP

Area teams prosper at sectional

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Track season is heating up with girls sectionals and boys conference meets taking place last week. The postseason continues Friday and Saturday with girls state and boys sectionals. Here's how the area boys and girls teams fared in recent meets:

GIRLS SECTIONALS

Willowbrook

The Warriors will have two representatives at the state meet, which takes place today and Saturday at Eastern Illinois. Molly Krawczykowski won the 800-meter run at the Wheaton Warrenville South sectional and is seeded fifth entering the Class 3A state meet. Fellow senior Taylor Burton was second in the 400 to also book a place at state. Willowbrook was fifth at the meet.

Addison Trail

Kaleen Smith qualified for state in two events, including the long jump and the 100-meter dash, by placing second in both events at the Wheaton Warrenville South sectional.

Freshman Lauren Kroll is state-bound after taking second in the 200, and AT's 4x100-meter relay also is headed to Charleston after taking second.

The Blazers were sixth at the sectional.

Glenbard East

The Rams scored 15 points at the Wheaton Warrenville



Erica Benson - ebenson@shawmedia.com

Glenbard East's Jessie Spontak hands off to Mackenzie Meadows while competing in the 4x800-meter relay May 15 at the Wheaton Warrenville South sectional meet.

South sectional to finish in 12th place at the meet.

Montini

The Broncos have two relays and six individual entries to the Class 2A state meet. Montini won the 4x800-meter relay and was second in the 4x400 at the Glenbard South sectional. Sectional champs were Jasmine Woodley (discus), Brittany Fisher (800) and Madeline Jamrozek (400). Other state qualifiers were Gianna Salzbrunn (long jump, 300-meter hurdles) and Maggie Hallerud (3,200).

BOYS CONFERENCE MEETS

Willowbrook

The Warriors claimed the

West Suburban Gold title May 15 at Leyden.

Matt Burns led the way with titles in the 200- and 400-meter dashes, and he was second in the long jump.

Jimmy Funteas won the 3,200 and took second in the 1,600. Donnie Hawkins won the 300-meter hurdles and placed third in the 110 hurdles.

Other high finishers were Dylan Jones (second, 100), Jake Bloemke (third, 400) Devin Childress (second, 110 hurdles), Hayden Adams (third, triple jump) and Elijah Rochelle (third, discus).

The 4x100 relay won a conference title and the 4x200 was second.

Addison Trail

The Blazers' 4x800-meter relay and Ronald Duling (high jump) won conference titles at the West Suburban gold meet.

Jaavion Bradley also was third in the high jump. Other top-three finishers were Darriin Conrad (second, 200), Darius Conrad (third, 100), Israel Olascoaga (second, 300 hurdles) and Juan Valdez (third, 800).

Glenbard East

Jack Peters took second in the 800-meter run at the DuPage Valley Conference meet to be the Rams' top individual finisher.

The 4x400-meter relay also was second. East was sixth in the meet.

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In the Rotunda

The third grade students at Wesley School gathered for the traditional group shot in the Rotunda of Addison Village Hall. In the center back of the group are Addison Mayor Rich Veenstra and Trustee Harry Theodore. The young people also visited the Historical Museum, Coach House and Century House. More photos inside this issue.

District 88 Board amends calendar

Students will make up emergency days through June 12

VILLA PARK/ADDISON — During its May 12 meeting, the District 88 Board of Education voted to approve amending the 2013-14 school year calendar to account for emergency days used this past winter.

The No. 1 priority at District 88 is the safety

and well-being of students and staff, the Board said, and the district was closed on Jan. 6, 7, 27 and 28 due to inclement weather. In compliance with the Illinois School Code, District 88 allotted five emergency days for the 2013-14 school calendar and used four of those days. Therefore, the last student-attendance day for the school year will be June 12.

Village to host Memorial Day events

ADDISON — This Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, the Village of Addison invites the public to join the village and participating local organizations in honoring and remembering those who have lost their lives while serving in the military.

The events will begin at 8 a.m. with a pancake breakfast at Indian Trail Junior High School. The community march will begin at 9:30 a.m., and a ceremony will take place at 11 a.m. at Addison Village Hall.

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Pictured with Addison Trail Assistant Principal Mike Bolden is Addison Trail senior Abby Meinen, who has been named as Addison Trail's May recipient of 88's Best recognition.

Abby Meinen named 88's Best for May at Addison Trail

ADDISON — Abby Meinen has been named as Addison Trail's May recipient of 88's Best recognition for her academic accomplishments. Abby, a senior, was recognized during the May 12 District 88 Board of Education meeting.

Abby has excelled in multiple honors and Advanced Placement (AP)/college-level courses offered at Addison Trail. At the completion of her senior year, she have successfully completed 11 AP classes and 10 honors classes. Abby is a two-time member of the National Honor Society, has been listed on the Distinct Honor Roll all four years of her high school career, is an AP Scholar with Honors, was named as AT's Best and is an Illinois Scholar.

"Meinen is amazing!" said Addison Trail English Department Chair Amy Ferraro. "She's such a responsible, genuine and hard-working young lady. She is extremely bright, but also very humble. Meinen never believes her best is good enough and always accepts feedback with an open mind."

Addison Trail teacher Mike Galfi agreed. "Meinen has proven time and again she has the ability and drive to be a vital part of any community with which she associates," he said. "She is a hardworking, dedicated individual, whose persistence and attention to detail will provide a bright and successful future. Meinen is a tremendously talented young adult with a great amount to offer. She exudes strength, persistence and character that will, without doubt, place her in a successful

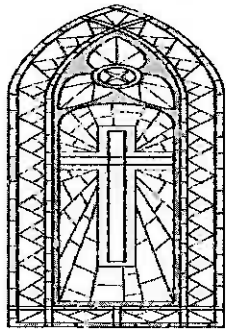
role in life. I am confident Meinen's future will be a bright one."

Involved in several Addison Trail extracurricular programs, Abby is a four-year member of the Girls Volleyball Team, a two-year participant in softball and bowling, a Key Club member the past two years and a four-year Student Council member. Throughout high school, she also has been a member of the Lettermen Club, Pre-calculus Math Team, Illinois Math Competition, Freshmen Mentor program and Pay It Forward program.

"I've had the privilege to coach Meinen for several years and can unequivocally proclaim she has been a fantastic role model — both on and off the court," said Dan Styler, Addison Trail teacher and head coach of the Girls Volleyball Team. "She was selected as the Most Valuable Player of our team due to her relentless work ethic and her ability to make everyone around her better. I'm very excited to see Meinen excel in her collegiate career and beyond. If I ever have a daughter, I hope she can be exactly like Meinen!"

Outside of school, Abby has helped with Kiwanis Peanut Day, Go Pink or Go Home, Volley for the Cure, Key Club Can Drive, Relay For Life, Toys for Tots, Feed My Starving Children and volleyball kids camps throughout high school.

Next year, Abby plans to attend Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE), where she will study industrial engineering on a free tuition scholarship.



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Pictured are (from left) Addison Trail sophomores Anthony Vega, Alessandro Palazzolo, Jose Acencion Vega, Max Sanchez and Andrew Lopez, junior Cody Welsh, freshman Marquise Martin, junior Josh Broschinsky, sophomore Michael Tinoco and Addison Trail coach Mike Cappizzano as they help spread mulch at Army Trail Nature Center during the 7th annual Addison Park District Park Pride Cleanup Day. courtesy photos

ATHS students, staff attend Park Pride Cleanup Day

On May 10, more than 30 Addison Trail staff members and students from a handful of student groups rolled up their sleeves and participated in the 7th annual Addison Park District Park Pride Cleanup Day.

The volunteers helped the park district prepare for summer by cleaning up the parks, spreading mulch and beautifying the Village of Addison. Students also volunteered at a recycling event that day at Community Park.

The Addison Rotary Club, sponsor of Addison Trail's Interact Club, provided lunch at the end

of the cleanup to reward everyone's hard work. Participants also received a free event T-shirt.

"Park Pride Cleanup Day is a great opportunity for our students to give back," said Jorge de Leon, Addison Trail social worker. "What's really amazing is these kids are having fun while working hard to ensure their community is a great place to live."

For more information about Park Pride Cleanup, or to get involved next year, call the Addison Park District at 630-233-7275.



Addison Trail junior Kiki Reyes (left) and senior Kacper Mierzejewski help clean up Army Trail Nature Center during the 7th annual Addison Park District Park Pride Cleanup Day.

About Army Trail Nature Center

Volunteers clean up 'hidden gem' on Park Pride Day

ADDISON — When walking or driving by Addison Trail on Lombard Road, you might have missed a hidden gem right across the street from the school.

If you haven't visited Army Trail Nature Center at 270 N. Lombard Road, be sure to experience this local treasure. Inside the center is nearly 18 acres of land that includes 75 miles of walking paths and trails, a pond and a variety of vegetation that supports wildlife such as red foxes, pheasants, rabbits, opossums, turtles, geese, ducks and other birds.

The center was bought in 1987 through an open-space grant and is an intergovernmental

project between the Addison Park District, District 88, Addison Elementary School District 4 and the Village of Addison (which maintains the pond).

One can often see Addison Trail students using the ropes course at the center for team-building exercises or sketching and taking photos of the area for art classes. And members of the newly formed Fishing Club enjoy honing their skills by the pond.

Students give back to the center as well. The Environmental Club updates and maintains the kiosk with information about the center, and a variety of groups help keep the land clean

during the park district's Park Pride Cleanup event.

Community members are invited to visit the center from sunrise to sunset and also can enjoy two observation decks and an outdoor educational classroom.

"Army Trail Nature Center is a wonderful asset for our students, staff and community," said Mike Bolden, Addison Trail Assistant Principal. "It truly is a hidden gem in our backyard, and we would love for more people to experience the center."

For more information about Army Trail Nature Center, call Addison Trail at 630-628-3300.



Discover a 'hidden gem' near Addison Trail
An Addison Trail student helps clean Army Trail Nature Center in Addison during a previous Park Pride Cleanup Day. Addison Trail students often use the center, which is open to community members as well.

AT Leo Club members fully grasp their mission

All members have visual impairment; club helps visually impaired

ADDISON — The Addison Trail Leo Club was recently informed by the Addison Lions Club that it is the only Leo Club in Illinois where all members have a visual impairment.

And the club is proud to provide a variety of opportunities for students — regardless of their visual impairments.

The Leo Club offers students opportunities to expand on their leadership and teamwork skills and is comprised of 22 members, from the School Association for Special Education in DuPage County (SASED) vision program. Officers are responsible for planning and

running club meetings, sending out e-mails, preparing meeting minutes and keeping financial records. Club members also contribute in the planning and preparation of club fundraisers. Proceeds help the group fund various projects and activities.

The Leo Club allows students with visual impairments to understand the impact they can make on the world and gives them the confidence to succeed outside of Addison Trail. The club is affiliated with the Addison Lions Club. For more information about Leo Clubs, visit tinyurl.com/n6hlhdy.

The 2013-14 Addison Trail Leo Club Board of Directors is comprised of senior Ana Garcia, senior Shelley McGrath-Myers, junior Dustin Youngren and junior Natalio Abar. The club's advisor is Liz Jacobson.



Pictured is the 2013-14 Addison Trail Leo Club Board of Directors, including (from left) senior Ana Garcia, Leo Club Advisor Liz Jacobson, senior Shelley McGrath-Myers and junior Dustin Youngren. Not pictured is junior Natalio Abar.

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AT gymnasts qualify for State Meet

Six members of the Addison Trail Boys Gymnastics Team qualified to compete in the Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Boys Gymnastics State Meet. Pictured are (back row, from left) senior Marco Martinez (parallel bars and high bar), junior Alfredo Torres (floor), senior Akash Patel (vault); (front row, from left) Coach Mike Galfi, sophomore Marcus Rias Jr. (vault), junior Daniel Baeza (vault), and junior R.J. Infusino (rings). The State meet took place on May 16 - 17 at Hinsdale Central High School. ATHS hosted a State send-off for the student-athletes on May 15.

ADDISON COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday, May 23

• Intro to Self-Tracking

Starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Elmhurst Art Museum, a public program will be held called "Intro to Self-Tracking"—which is connected with the Museum's Lifeloggers: Chronicling the Everyday, on display

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A Veterans Resource Fair will be available throughout the day, and the Addison Historical Museum will be open from 9 to 11 a.m.

Addison Trail sophomore Nino Conte will place a wreath during the cemetery observance, which will begin at 10 a.m. at St. Paul Cemetery in Addison. Addison Trail musicians will perform during the observance.

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now through Aug. 17. Led by technology entrepreneurs Eugene Granovsky and Mark Moschel. Admission: Free. Info: elmhurstartmuseum.org.

Monday, May 26 Village celebrates Memorial Day

The Village of Addison will commemorate Memorial Day with the following activities and events: 8 a.m., pancake breakfast at Indian Trail Junior High; 9:30 a.m., community march; 10 a.m., ceremony at St. Paul Cemetery; 11 a.m. ceremony at Village Hall. A veterans resource fair will be available inside Village Hall throughout the day. The Addison Historical Museum will be open from 9 to 11 a.m.

Saturday, June 14

• Legendary Doc Severinsen to perform in free concert

Beginning at 6:30 p.m. on the Mall of Elmhurst College's arboretum campus, legendary trumpet player and former

Tonight Show bandleader Doc Severinsen, with jazz trumpeter Byron Stripling, vocalist Vanessa Thomas and the acclaimed Elmhurst College Jazz Band will headline June Jazz: A Summer Extravaganza. Free Admission. Info: (630) 617-3390.

Ongoing events... • ACA, Library host exhibition of veterans portraits

The Addison Center for the Arts and the Addison Public Library present "Portraits of American Veterans," featuring a display of 23 portraits of American veterans. The exhibit will be showcased through June 2 in the meeting room of the Addison Library, then will be moved to the Rotunda of the Addison Village Hall, where it will remain from through June 13. Info: 630-543-3617 or 630-458-4500.

Mayslake art exhibit to show work of volunteers, staff

• From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mon-

days-Fridays and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays, the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County invites art fans to an exhibition of works by the agency's volunteers and staff in a variety of media now through June 20 at Mayslake Peabody Estate, 1717 W. 31st St. in Oak Brook. Info: call (630) 933-7200 or visit dupageforest.org.

• Latest Addison Center for Arts exhibit on display

The Addison Center for the Arts' latest gallery exhibit, "Wildflowers," by James Shirey, is on display until Monday, June 9. Visitors will be able to see amazing photographs of the beautiful wildflowers that one may never come across in real life. The center is open from 1-4 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. Info: (630) 217-5159.

• Community Garden plots at Old Mill Park available

The 2014 gardening season is under way through Oct. 15,

and new gardeners are invited to sign up through the Addison Park District. Plots are 10-foot by 10-foot with raised timbers and a fence surrounding the entire garden area and are available, starting May 1 in Old Mill Park, 500 W. Byron Ave. Fee: \$25. Info: call (630) 233-7275 or visit addisonparks.org.

• Active Adults Senior Club

Adults, ages 55 or better, are invited to Park District's Active Adults Senior Club on Tuesdays from 12-2 p.m. for lunch at Community Rec Center, 120 E. Oak Street. To find out more about special events, programs, trips and club membership, contact Teresa Grodsky at (630) 233-7275.

Clubs and organizations are welcome to send entries for this column to: QuestPublishing@aol.com. Please include a phone number or e-mail address to contact for information.

Willowbrook celebrates 2014 Brook Olympics

VILLA PARK — Willowbrook is gearing up for the 2014 Brook Olympics, which will take place through May 23.

During the Brook Olympics, classes go head to head in a weeklong series of events and challenges, with the hope of their class being named the champion. For every event that takes place, a gold medal earns three points, a silver medal earns two points and a bronze medal earns one point. The Brook Olympics, a vision of teacher and coach Matt Scott, were created to help initiate tradition and a sense of class spirit and pride at Willowbrook. Several years ago, students jumped on board to help make that vision a reality.

Not only do the Brook Olympics bring tradition, spirit and pride to Willowbrook, they also support the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life of District 88 All Youth. This year's Relay took place on March 15-16 at Willowbrook to raise money for ACS.

There also is Facial Hair February, where this year 27 male faculty and staff members gave up shaving for the month of February to raise money for

the American Cancer Society. Participants collected donations from friends, family members,

students and colleagues.

Willowbrook's Blue Crew also invites students and staff

members to participate in Spirit Dress Days during the Brook Olympics. To see the

Spirit Dress Days schedule, visit dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=1572.



Students celebrate during a previous Brook Olympics. This year's Brook Olympics take place through May 23.

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Back in the saddle

Willowbrook junior Keawe Winstead finished tied for 18th in the state on pommel horse only months after having knee surgery.

Comeback kid

Willowbrook's Keawe Winstead competes in state gymnastics meet just months after knee surgery

By Mike Miazga
Correspondent

Willowbrook junior boys gymnast Keawe Winstead had knee surgery in early February. "It probably should have pretty much been the end of my year," he said. "I was going to probably be out most of the rest of the year."

Wrong.

brace. It was pretty tough especially when there was no degree of movement for awhile," he said. "When I landed on that leg it kind of hurt. I'm doing pretty well now. I've been building strength and will be back to where I was at in a few more months. Hopefully I'll be 100 percent and ready to go."

Winstead said pommel horse is his best event.

Addison Trail-Willowbrook sends multiple athletes to girls state track meet

By Mike Miazga
Correspondent

The Willowbrook and Addison Trail girls track teams each recently qualified two athletes for this weekend's Class 3A state finals in Charleston.

Willowbrook finished fifth at the Class 3A Wheaton-Warrenville South sectional with 46 points, while Addison Trail was sixth with 45 points. Fenton was 10th with 18.5 points.

Addison Trail qualified its 400 relay team for state. That group of Yulisa Vivero, Klea Gjonaj, Kaleen Smith and Lauren Kroll finished second with a time of 50.44.

Smith, a senior, also qualified in both the long jump and 100 dash. She finished second in the long jump with a leap of 17-6 3/4. Kroll also was second in the 100 with a time of 12.88.

Kroll, a freshman, was second in the 200 with a time of 26.17 and also earned a state berth.

Willowbrook qualified senior Molly Krawczykowski in the 800. She won the sectional title with a time of 2:16.07. Senior Taylor Burton also qualified for state after finishing second in the 400 with a time of 1:00.66.

Fenton had no state qualifiers.

Addison Trail girls track

Also at Wheaton-Warrenville South, Addison Trail's Kim Schonder finished seventh in the 100 hurdles with a time of 17.30. Addison Trail's 800 relay team of Jamie Borscha, Smith, Kroll and Vivero placed third with a time of 1:46.25.

Lynette Banuelos took third in the 400 with a time of 1:01.57, while Suhei Valbuena was ninth at 1:05.04.

Addison Trail's 1,600 relay of Vivero, Borscha, Banuelos and Joanna Villalobos took sixth with a time of 4:19.79. Kennedy O'Neill was ninth in the triple jump at 33-5.

Willowbrook girls track

Also at Wheaton-Warrenville South, Willowbrook's Kyla Denwood finished fourth in the discus with a throw of 105-01. Jada Stills was seventh at 102-2.

Stefania Enescu was fifth in the 100 hurdles with a time of 16.99. Molly Froebel was seventh in the 100 with a time of 13.40. Shannon Jones was third in the 800 with a time of 2:24.58. Willowbrook scored 16 points in the 800 event alone.

Denwood was fourth in the 400 with a time of 1:02.62. Willowbrook scored 12 points in the 400 event. Jocelyn Rodriguez was 11th in the 1,600 with a time of 5:37.34.

Stills was third in the shot put with a throw of 36-10. Willowbrook's 1,600 relay team of Burton, Denwood, Jones and Krawczykowski placed third with a time of 4:07.06.

Fenton girls track

Also at Wheaton-Warrenville South, Fenton's 400 relay team of Melanie DeJesus, Nina Bush, Sheridan Witt and Taylor Patton took ninth with a time of 53.22. Haily Stillabower was third in the 100 hurdles with a time of 16.70.

Patton was fifth in the high jump with a leap of 5-1. Valerie Andrews tied for 10th at 4-9.

Emelia Burris was fourth in the 100 with a time of 13.00. Burris also was third in the long jump at 17-1. Kayla Kottra was 12th at 15-9 1/4. Burris was third in the long jump at 17-2 1/2.

The Fenton 800 relay team of Witt, Burris, Kottra and Patton took 10th with a time of 1:55.37. Karolina Korput was 12th in the pole vault with a jump of 8-0.

Fenton's 1,600 relay team of Samantha Cazares, Kottra, Alissa Whyte and Witt took 11th with a time of 4:33.91. Burris was sixth in the triple jump at 33-9.

"I kept pushing with the help of my coaches and teammates. That made it a lot easier."

— Keawe Winstead

Winstead rehabbed and worked hard to get back into competition shape after partially tearing his meniscus and fracturing a growth plate.

"I hurt it in practice in October and then had the surgery in February," he said.

Winstead's hard work allowed him to come back for the sectional competition where he qualified for the state meet on pommel horse. Winstead competed at the sectional in multiple events (rings, parallel bars and horse) and did no dismounts outside of horse.

Winstead tied for 18th in the state over the weekend on horse with a score of 8.2.

"It hurt a lot the first few weeks back," he said. "I probably pushed it a little. I wanted to get back and help the team. I pushed through the pain and kept progressing. I had a lot of support from a lot of people and that probably helped. I felt like if I could come back and help in any way, I would love to do it. I kept pushing with the help of my coaches and teammates. That made it a lot easier."

Winstead also had to overcome wearing a leg brace.

"I was wearing this giant leg

"I've improved my swing," he said. "Really I've improved on the event in general because I've been limited to only horse. I've improved my swing and form and overall skill because I've been spending so much time on it the last few months."

Winstead said this year's Willowbrook team was a special one. "I was definitely happy to be out there with the guys," he said. "We're like a family."

Winstead said he won't rest too long before getting back to work.

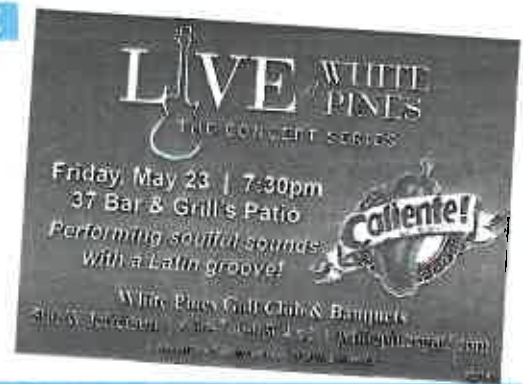
"I'll rest like a week and I'll probably be back in the gym," said Winstead, who trains in the off-season with the Elmhurst Park District program. "I'll keep working out and keep my legs strong and get back to health."

Winstead is looking forward to his senior season.

"To be honest, I thought I would have to sit out a long time with this," he said. "That would have been hard. To be able to be out there and do anything is the greatest feeling. I'll be good to go for next year. I'll be 100 percent ready to go and I know our team will be ready to go and will be better."

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Trustees discuss traffic study at Ardmore School

One-way streets, more enforcement proposed to curb congestion

By Paul DelGuidice
For The Villa Park Independent

VILLA PARK — Traffic snarls near the Ardmore School in the mornings and afternoons of school days have prompted heated debate among residents living near the school as well as parents of the 500 students who attend. Those same issues have existed for more than six years, up to 20 years, according to some opinions.

Some parents feel the solution is to make Harvard and

School streets one-way only during morning and afternoon hours. Residents living near the school say a one-way requirement would not solve the problem and would instead be detrimental to the neighborhood and to commuters. Those opposed to the one-way street

solution say the rules in place are adequate, but are not being followed by those dropping off or picking up their kids. Proponents say the issue goes beyond traffic and impacts safety.

"I've seen many close calls," said one Ardmore School parent.

"Most of these kids do not walk to school, they are dropped off," said resident Cheryl Tucker. "You can get surveys telling you what to do, but [congestion] is not going to change because it is a behavior issue."

Those behavior issues

include drivers lining up early to pick up students, parking on Harvard and exiting their cars to walk their kids to the school, turning around in driveways and blocking driveways near the school.

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District 88 Board amends calendar

Students will make up emergency days through June 12

VILLA PARK/ADDISON — During its May 12 meeting, the District 88 Board of Education voted to approve amending the 2013-14 school year calendar to account for emergency days used this past winter.

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Grade schools included in WB student art show

The Student Art Show at Willowbrook featured about 800 pieces created by Willowbrook students, as well as 30 pieces created by elementary and middle school students from District 45, Salt Creek School District 48 and St. Pius X Parish School in Lombard. Pictured here with their artwork are first-grader Peter Williams and sixth-grader Liana Vego, both of St. Pius X Parish School. See story inside this issue.

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Ardmore students attend Tech Day at State Capitol

VILLA PARK — Students from across the state visited the Illinois State Capitol in Springfield last week to attend Tech Day 2014, an annual event that allows elementary youth to showcase their work in science and technology to state elected officials.

At Tech Day 2014, students from Ardmore Elementary School showcased their projects to legislators and other observers. The students' project explored ways of using digital animation in education, serving to demonstrate the importance of technology access in the classroom.

State Senator Tom Cullerton (D-Villa Park) met with the students and discussed their work.

"The level of expertise that these students have is amazing," he said. "The importance of early, technology-based education is obvious and the hard work they're putting in now will absolutely pay off in the future."



State Senator Tom Cullerton (D-Villa Park) greets two of the students from Ardmore Elementary School who came to Springfield for Tech Day 2014. The event takes place every year to showcase the importance of technology-focused education. photo provided

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Doug Lehman, a resident of Harvard Ave. near the school, said he has often observed cars parking on Harvard as early as 1 p.m. on school days.

"They block driveways, park in front of fire hydrants," Lehman said. "The police have warned people, but it seems like those warnings have been ignored. Some mornings, I can't even leave my driveway."

Village Manager Richard Keehner commented on a letter written to Ardmore School parents from Dist. 45 Superintendent Tony Palmisano. Keehner said Palmisano has observed traffic flow problems during peak times and, in his opinion, congestion was due to "behavioral issues."

Superintendent Palmisano provided a letter to Ardmore School parents on the afternoon of May 12. The letter, which is a traffic and safety memorandum for parents, includes a map and guidelines for drop off/pick up of students around the school. The same memo was issued at the beginning of the school year and also around the holiday break outlining where designated drop-off or pick-up lanes are located

as well as times for dropping off/picking up.

Michelle Stork, president of the Ardmore PTA said the issue is "very much a concern" and has been going on since she was a student herself at Ardmore in the 1970's.

"If we could have more police participation around, [behaviors can be changed] if they can issue tickets, it won't be to any of us but to those [not following] the rules," Stork said.

The Villa Park Police Dept. is well aware of the situation. A traffic study of the area has been proposed by the engineering firm of Kenig, Lindgren, O'Hare, Aboona, Inc. at a cost not to exceed \$8,000, to identify the causes and possible solutions to the congestion problem.

"I'm a proponent of having an engineering company look at the problem," said Chief Pavelchik. "I have a professional opinion about what I think is going on but I have not seen anybody really identify what the problem is. The manual on uniform traffic control devices calls for engineering judgment on a lot of these

changes."

An unbiased professional opinion by a traffic engineering firm would be able to take into account the effects of changes such as creating temporary one-way travel during school hours on other streets in the area.

"When a professional engineer looks at it, then we know changes will be within (those) guidelines," Pavelchik said. "I want to be within those guidelines because if we just start making changes willy-nilly ... we're gonna find ourselves up the proverbial creek without a paddle."

Chief Pavelchik believes the school is over-populated and congestion is exacerbated by the tight timeframe.

"We are trying to put 10 pounds of cars in a five-pound sack," he said. "It's 20 minutes twice a day. We all need to take our patience pill. After 20 minutes, it all goes away."

Issuing tickets according to the letter of the law may not be the best solution. Leaving your car unattended, however, is not acceptable. Turning around in a driveway is not illegal, even though it is "a pain" if it

obstructs traffic flow, according to the Chief.

Trustee Bob Wagner said he was in favor of a traffic study as a first step to finding a solution to the congestion.

"I know everybody would like to see more police cars there," said Trustee John Davis. "We spend thousands of dollars to send police there to baby sit. I would suggest having a study done. I would also suggest engaging the parents in a discussion."

Trustee Chris Aiello asked if having a professional study performed was required to avoid liability problems if traffic solutions were implemented.

"Many times, it is a policy, not a rule," Aiello said. "If the rule is I cannot put a red flashing light on a stop sign without a traffic study telling me I can do that... then pay for the study."

"What I'd like to know is exactly what I can do without (paying) for a study or what I need a study done to implement."

Trustee Bob Taglia proposed having a safety officer or full police officer present during

the morning and afternoon to assist crossing guards and help traffic flow.

Trustee Al Bulthuis also indicated he was for a traffic study as well as increased enforcement, but also said the study should incorporate a representative from the Ardmore PTA as well as Village and school officials.

The Board reached a consensus on moving forward with a traffic study. According to Chief Pavelchik, there was still time to conduct the study before the school year ends.

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The No. 1 priority at District 88 is the safety and well-being of students and staff, the Board said, and the district was closed on Jan. 6, 7, 27 and 28 due to inclement weather. In compliance with the Illinois School Code, District 88 allotted five emergency days for the 2013-14 school calendar and used four of those days. Therefore, the last student-attendance day for the school year will be June 12.

Rokas Dubinas named 88's Best for May at WB

VILLA PARK — Rokas Dubinas has been named as Willowbrook's May recipient of 88's Best recognition for his academic accomplishments. A senior, Rokas was recognized during the May 12 District 88 Board of Education meeting.

As a student, Rokas has pursued a rigorous curriculum at Willowbrook. When he graduates, he will have successfully completed 13 Advanced Placement (AP)/college-level courses. Rokas has maintained a class ranking within the 99th percentile and is an inductee of the National Honor Society, the National English Honor Society, the National Math Honor Society, the National Language Honor Society and Civitas (Willowbrook's social studies honor society).

Rokas also is an Illinois State Scholar and was named Best Delegate by the University of Illinois Model UN Conference. Rokas was awarded a Fresh-

men Recognition Award and a Human Relations Award from Willowbrook.

Beyond the classroom, Rokas demonstrates the same determination to succeed and participates in numerous extracurricular activities. He was captain of the Boys Soccer Team and was a varsity tennis player. His leadership skills are evident as President of the Senior Service Project, Student Council, Model UN and Civitas.

"Dubinas is definitely one of the most mature, responsible, caring and motivated students I've ever had the privilege of working with," said Charles Sheridan, Willowbrook social studies teacher. "He takes on any task with pleasure and never gives less than his best. He also is a brilliant, politically aware student, who is a leader in every class I've had with him. He is just so much more aware of what's going on in the world than the average

high school student — and not at a superficial level, but with a degree of insight you won't find in most adults."

Eduardo Delacruz, world language and physical education teacher and varsity tennis coach, agreed.

"The dedication and hard work Dubinas has displayed have contributed to the success of the tennis and soccer

programs," he said. "His leadership skills make him a great role model for other players. As a great team player, Dubinas always puts the team first. As a great leader, he has excelled as an athlete and in the classroom. He can always be counted on to give his best and do his best. His dedication and desire to be the best person he can be are unmatched."

Dubinas has received an appointment to the U.S. Military Academy West Point, where he will study international relations, with a minor in law. He hopes to apply to be a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University and then would like to focus his efforts on a career in the field of diplomacy or politics.



Pictured with Willowbrook Assistant Principal Sam Bentsen is Willowbrook senior Rokas Dubinas, who has been named as Willowbrook's May recipient of 88's Best recognition.

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'Dream Out Loud' brings Chicago Symphony to District 88

ADDISON/VILLA PARK -- On May 12, about 400 students from Addison Trail and Willowbrook attended a Chicago Symphony Orchestra program at Addison Trail called Dream Out Loud, created to build connections between CSO musicians and student musicians. The mission of the Dream Out Loud program is to capitalize on the individual stories of CSO members to inspire young musicians to continue their musical studies, despite challenges and frustrations they might encounter.

Oto Carrillo, who plays French horn, and Catherine Brubaker, a violinist, both spoke with students about the impact music performance has had on their lives and how important music can be for students.



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Willowbrook seniors place 3rd in Ford/AAA Troubleshooting contest

Pictured are Willowbrook seniors Cody Panfil (left) and Jonathan Brunner (right), who recently took 3rd place in the State Finals of the Ford/AAA Troubleshooting contest. Brunner and Panfil competed against nine other teams from throughout Illinois and had 90 minutes to diagnose and repair seven to 10 "bugs" placed in a 2014 Ford Fiesta. The competition took place on May 8 and 9 at Universal Technical Institute in Lisle. Pictured in the center is Chris Dunk, Willowbrook Career and Technical Education teacher and SkillsUSA sponsor.

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by Jeffrey T. Boland
Licensed Orthodontic Specialist

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Pictured with Addison Trail Assistant Principal Mike Bolden is Addison Trail senior Abby Meinen, who has been named as Addison Trail's May recipient of 88's Best recognition.

Abby Meinen named 88's Best for May at Addison Trail

ADDISON — Abby Meinen has been named as Addison Trail's May recipient of 88's Best recognition for her academic accomplishments. Abby, a senior, was recognized during the May 12 District 88 Board of Education meeting.

Abby has excelled in multiple honors and Advanced Placement (AP)/college-level courses offered at Addison Trail. At the completion of her senior year, she have successfully completed 11 AP classes and 10 honors classes. Abby is a two-time member of the National Honor Society, has been listed on the Distinct Honor Roll all four years of her high school career, is an AP Scholar with Honors, was named as AT's Best and is an Illinois Scholar.

"Meinen is amazing!" said Addison Trail English Department Chair Amy Ferraro. "She's such a responsible, genuine and hard-working young lady. She is extremely bright, but also very humble. Meinen never believes her best is good enough and always accepts feedback with an open mind."

Addison Trail teacher Mike Galfi agreed. "Meinen has proven time and again she has the ability and drive to be a vital part of any community with which she associates," he said. "She is a hardworking, dedicated individual, whose persistence and attention to detail will provide a bright and successful future. Meinen is a tremendously talented young adult with a great amount to offer. She exudes strength, persistence and character that will, without doubt, place her in a successful

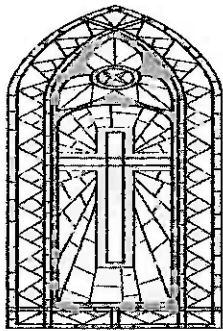
role in life. I am confident Meinen's future will be a bright one."

Involved in several Addison Trail extracurricular programs, Abby is a four-year member of the Girls Volleyball Team, a two-year participant in softball and bowling, a Key Club member the past two years and a four-year Student Council member. Throughout high school, she also has been a member of the Letterman Club, Pre-calculus Math Team, Illinois Math Competition, Freshmen Mentor program and Pay It Forward program.

"I've had the privilege to coach Meinen for several years and can unequivocally proclaim she has been a fantastic role model — both on and off the court," said Dan Styler, Addison Trail teacher and head coach of the Girls Volleyball Team. "She was selected as the Most Valuable Player of our team due to her relentless work ethic and her ability to make everyone around her better. I'm very excited to see Meinen excel in her collegiate career and beyond. If I ever have a daughter, I hope she can be exactly like Meinen!"

Outside of school, Abby has helped with Kiwanis Peanut Day, Go Pink or Go Home, Volley for the Cure, Key Club Can Drive, Relay For Life, Toys for Tots, Feed My Starving Children and volleyball kids camps throughout high school.

Next year, Abby plans to attend Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE), where she will study industrial engineering on a free tuition scholarship.



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VILLA PARK — The Villa Park Police Benevolent Association will be holding its inaugural charity poker Texas Hold 'Em event from 2-10 p.m. Saturday, May 31 at the Villa Park VFW, 29 E. St. Charles Road.

There will be Sit 'N Go tables all night, as well as tournament and cash tables. There will even be a table set up for the new player who wants to learn the game.

Two major tournaments will be offered: a \$20 tournament to start at 2 p.m. and a \$50 tournament at 5:30 p.m. All tournaments will pay at least top three finishers. Twenty percent of all paid entries will go directly to the Villa Park Benevolent.

Friend us on Facebook at Villa Park Benevolent or contact Marc Bregman at mbregman@invillapark.com for more information. Reserve your spot early by buying tickets redeemable at the event. Come out and support a great organization.

Reference the poker games themselves, the 2 p.m. game will be a \$20 buy in, with a starting chip count of 5,000. The 5:30 p.m. game will be a \$50 buy in, with a starting chip count of at least 8,000. No re-buys in any tournament. All tournaments will have blinds, which will be raised every 20 minutes.



Four WB students qualify for IHSA Boys Gymnastics State Meet

Four members of the Willowbrook Boys Gymnastics Team qualified to compete in the Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Boys Gymnastics State Meet held on May 16 and 17 at Hinsdale Central High School. Pictured are (from left) Coach John Wronkiewicz, Coach Niko Winstead, senior Colton Bach (vault), junior Keawe Winstead (pommel horse - Sectionals champion), junior Bret Golz (floor and high bar), senior Corey Coman (pommel horse) and Coach Annette Nocek.

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WBHS's Guerrier headed to Business Leadership Academy

VILLA PARK — James Guerrier might be only a junior at Willowbrook, but he's going to spend some time at college this summer.

James has been accepted into the Business Leadership Academy at Mercy College in New York, where he will learn from business leaders, participate in teambuilding activities and network with young business professionals. The academy will take place from June 15 to 20.

"I thought it would be a good experience and a great way to build my résumé for college," he said of why he applied for the academy. "I'm looking forward to meeting new people and further developing my leadership skills."

To be accepted, James had to submit an application video. He said he hopes attending the program will inspire other students to take advantage of similar opportunities, and he thanks Willowbrook Career and Technical Education (CTE) Department Chair Mary Barney for her support and encouragement to apply to the academy. Guerrier plans to pursue a career in business management.

Barney said funds were donated to James' trip by the Lauren Kiefer Memorial Foundation, the Willowbrook football team, the Willowbrook family, the Career and Community Leaders of America (FCLCA) team, and Willowbrook Assistant Principal Tom Cantlin.



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Pictured is Willowbrook junior James Guerrier, who has been accepted into the Business Leadership Academy at Mercy College in New York. At the academy, Guerrier will learn from business leaders, participate in teambuilding activities and network with young business professionals. The academy will take place from June 15-20.

Willowbrook annual student art show features 800 pieces

VILLA PARK — From May 13 to 15, the artistic talents of Willowbrook students were on display during the school's annual student art show.

About 800 pieces created by students were showcased, as well as 30 pieces created by elementary and middle school students from District 45 in Villa Park, Salt Creek School District 48 in Villa Park and St. Pius X Parish School in Lombard. On May 13, Art

Honor Society inductees were announced; a list can be found at dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=1577

To be inducted, students must maintain a GPA of 3.5 or higher and have a minimum of two elective art classes during high school. Inductees also must be enrolled in an art class during the 2013-14 school year and demonstrate the Warrior Code. Freshmen art awards and feeder-school art certificates also

were presented.

Top winners from Willowbrook were: senior Britannia Horn who earned the People's Choice Award; senior Matthew Naughton, who attained the Judges Choice Award (3-D) and Best of Show; and, senior Kathrene Garcia, who received the Judges Choice Award (2-D) and Outstanding Senior in Art. For a complete list of winners, go to dupage88.net/wbhs.

Seven qualify for IHSA Girls Badminton State Tournament

VILLA PARK — Seven members of the Willowbrook girls badminton team qualified to compete in the Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Girls Badminton State Tournament held on May 16 and 17 at Eastern Illinois University. Students include senior Becky Kielminski, junior Sydney Planz,

senior Maddie Arnold, senior Katherine Hinman, senior Amanda Wendt, senior Janine Johnson and junior Brooke Bimber. The team is coached by Tom Domin, Megan Murphy and Brandon Murphy. The high school hosted a State send-off for the student-athletes on May 15.

Willowbrook celebrates 2014 Brook Olympics

VILLA PARK — Willowbrook is gearing up for the 2014 Brook Olympics, which will take place through May 23.

During the Brook Olympics, classes go head to head in a weeklong series of events and challenges, with the hope of their class being named the champion. For every event that takes place, a gold medal earns three points, a silver medal earns two points and a bronze medal earns one point. The Brook Olympics, a vision of teacher and coach Matt Scott, were created to help initiate tradition and a sense of class spirit and pride at Willowbrook. Several years ago, students jumped on board to help make that vision a reality.

Not only do the Brook Olympics bring tradition, spirit and pride to Willowbrook, they also support the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life of District 88 All Youth. This year's Relay took place on March 15-16 at Willowbrook to raise money for ACS.

There also is Facial Hair February, where this year 27 male faculty and staff members gave up shaving for the month of February to raise money for

the American Cancer Society. Participants collected donations from friends, family members,

students and colleagues.

Willowbrook's Blue Crew also invites students and staff

members to participate in Spirit Dress Days during the Brook Olympics. To see the

Spirit Dress Days schedule, visit dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=1572.



Students celebrate during a previous Brook Olympics. This year's Brook Olympics take place through May 23.

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Back in the saddle

Willowbrook junior Keawe Winstead finished tied for 18th in the state on pommel horse only months after having knee surgery.

Addison Trail-Willowbrook sends multiple athletes to girls state track meet

By Mike Miazga
Correspondent

The Willowbrook and Addison Trail girls track teams each recently qualified two athletes for this weekend's Class 3A state finals in Charleston.

Willowbrook finished fifth at the Class 3A Wheaton-Warrenville South sectional with 46 points, while Addison Trail was sixth with 45 points. Fenton was 10th with 18.5 points.

Addison Trail qualified its 400 relay team for state. That group of Yulisa Vivero, Klea Gjonaj, Kaleen Smith and Lauren Kroll finished second with a time of 50.44.

Smith, a senior, also qualified in both the long jump and 100 dash. She finished second in the long jump with a leap of 17-6 3/4. Kroll also was second in the 100 with a time of 12.88.

Kroll, a freshman, was second in the 200 with a time of 26.17 and also earned a state berth.

Willowbrook qualified senior Molly Krawczykowski in the 800. She won the sectional title with a time of 2:16.07. Senior Taylor Burton also qualified for state after finishing second in the 400 with a time of 1:00.66.

Fenton had no state qualifiers.

Addison Trail girls track

Also at Wheaton-Warrenville South, Addison Trail's Kim Schonder finished seventh in the 100 hurdles with a time of 17.30. Addison Trail's 800 relay team of Jamie Borscha, Smith, Kroll and Vivero placed third with a time of 1:46.25.

Lynette Banuelos took third in the 400 with a time of 1:01.57, while Suhei Valbuena was ninth at 1:05.04.

Addison Trail's 1,600 relay of Vivero, Borscha, Banuelos and Joanna Villalobos took sixth with a time of 4:19.79. Kennedy O'Neill was ninth in the triple jump at 33-5.

Willowbrook girls track

Also at Wheaton-Warrenville South, Willowbrook's Kyla Denwood finished fourth in the discus with a throw of 105-01. Jada Stills was seventh at 102-2.

Stefania Enescu was fifth in the 100 hurdles with a time of 16.99. Molly Frobels was seventh in the 100 with a time of 13.40. Shannon Jones was third in the 800 with a time of 2:24.58. Willowbrook scored 16 points in the 800 event alone.

Denwood was fourth in the 400 with a time of 1:02.62. Willowbrook scored 12 points in the 400 event. Jocelyn Rodriguez was 11th in the 1,600 with a time of 5:37.34.

Stills was third in the shot put with a throw of 36-10. Willowbrook's 1,600 relay team of Burton, Denwood, Jones and Krawczykowski placed third with a time of 4:07.06.

Fenton girls track

Also at Wheaton-Warrenville South, Fenton's 400 relay team of Melanie DeJesus, Nina Bush, Sheridan Witt and Taylor Patton took ninth with a time of 53.22. Haily Stillabower was third in the 100 hurdles with a time of 16.70.

Patton was fifth in the high jump with a leap of 5-1. Valerie Andrews tied for 10th at 4-9.

Emelia Burris was fourth in the 100 with a time of 13.00. Burris also was third in the long jump at 17-1. Kayla Kottra was 12th at 15-9 1/4. Burris was third in the long jump at 17-2 1/2.

The Fenton 800 relay team of Witt, Burris, Kottra and Patton took 10th with a time of 1:55.37. Karolina Korput was 12th in the pole vault with a jump of 8-0.

Fenton's 1,600 relay team of Samantha Cazares, Kottra, Alissa Whyte and Witt took 11th with a time of 4:33.91. Burris was sixth in the triple jump at 33-9.

Comeback kid

Willowbrook's Keawe Winstead competes in state gymnastics meet just months after knee surgery

By Mike Miazga
Correspondent

Willowbrook junior boys gymnast Keawe Winstead had knee surgery in early February. "It probably should have pretty much been the end of my year," he said. "I was going to probably be out most of the rest of the year."

Wrong.

It was pretty tough especially when there was no degree of movement for awhile," he said. "When I landed on that leg it kind of hurt. I'm doing pretty well now. I've been building strength and will be back to where I was at in a few more months. Hopefully I'll be 100 percent and ready to go."

Winstead said pommel horse is his best event.

"I kept pushing with the help of my coaches and teammates. That made it a lot easier."

— Keawe Winstead

Winstead rehabbed and worked hard to get back into competition shape after partially tearing his meniscus and fracturing a growth plate.

"I hurt it in practice in October and then had the surgery in February," he said.

Winstead's hard work allowed him to come back for the sectional competition where he qualified for the state meet on pommel horse. Winstead competed at the sectional in multiple events (rings, parallel bars and horse) and did no dismounts outside of horse.

Winstead tied for 18th in the state over the weekend on horse with a score of 8.2.

"It hurt a lot the first few weeks back," he said. "I probably pushed it a little. I wanted to get back and help the team. I pushed through the pain and kept progressing. I had a lot of support from a lot of people and that probably helped. I felt like if I could come back and help in any way, I would love to do it. I kept pushing with the help of my coaches and teammates. That made it a lot easier."

Winstead also had to overcome wearing a leg brace.

"I was wearing this giant leg

"I've improved my swing," he said. "Really I've improved on the event in general because I've been limited to only horse. I've improved my swing and form and overall skill because I've been spending so much time on it the last few months."

Winstead said this year's Willowbrook team was a special one. "I was definitely happy to be out there with the guys," he said. "We're like a family."

Winstead said he won't rest too long before getting back to work.

"I'll rest like a week and I'll probably be back in the gym," said Winstead, who trains in the off-season with the Elmhurst Park District program. "I'll keep working out and keep my legs strong and get back to health."

Winstead is looking forward to his senior season.

"To be honest, I thought I would have to sit out a long time with this," he said. "That would have been hard. To be able to be out there and do anything is the greatest feeling. I'll be good to go for next year. I'll be 100 percent ready to go and I know our team will be ready to go and will be better."

Willowbrook's Bimber, Johnson reach state badminton quarterfinals

District 88, Fenton boys gymnasts compete at state

By Mike Miazga
Correspondent

The Willowbrook badminton doubles team of Brooke Bimber and Janine Johnson got its money's worth at the recent state finals meet in Charleston.

Bimber and Johnson advanced to the state quarterfinals of the state doubles tournament by winning three three-set matches.

Their impressive showing helped Willowbrook finish 14th as a team at the state meet.

Bimber and Johnson started the tournament with a 21-6, 22-24, 21-10 win over Lincoln-Way West and then scored a 21-19, 20-22, 21-15 win over Hinsdale South. They advanced to the state quarterfinals with a 10-21, 21-7, 21-12 win over Downers Grove North.

Bimber and Johnson lost in the quarterfinals to eventual state champions Cassie Breschok and Jenna Pasko from Thornton Fractional South (21-12, 21-9).

Bimber and Johnson were eliminated after a 21-16, 21-10 loss to the York team of Emily and Hannah Spoolstra.

The Willowbrook doubles team of Sydney Planz and Maddie Arnold went 2-2 at state. Planz and Arnold scored a 21-15, 21-12 win over Oswego and then lost 24-22, 21-14 to Hinsdale South. They won their first consolation bracket match by scores of 21-14, 21-9 before being eliminated by a Geneva team by scores of 21-14, 21-11.

Willowbrook's Amanda Wendt won her first match in the singles state tournament by scores of 21-12, 21-16 against a Fremd player. Wendt then lost 21-11, 21-16 (Prospect) and 21-18, 21-14 (Buffalo Grove).

Willowbrook's Katherine Hinman lost 21-16, 21-5 (Fremd) and 21-17, 15-21, 21-17 (Joliet West).

Boys state gymnastics meet

There was no shortage of District 88 and Fenton boys gymnasts at the recent state meet held at Hinsdale Central.

Addison Trail's Marco Martinez led the way by finishing tied for 16th on high bar with a score of 7.55.

On floor exercise, Addison

Trail's Alfredo Torres was 55th with a score of 8.2. Willowbrook's Keawe Winstead tied for 18th on pommel horse with a score of 8.2. Teammate Corey Coman was 42nd in the event with a score of 7.5.

Addison Trail's R.J. Infusino tied for 42nd on rings with a score of 7.6.

On vault, Willowbrook's Colton Bach tied for 20th with a score of 8.85. Fenton's Oscar Garza was 50th with a score of 8.3. Addison Trail's Akash Patel was 51st with a score of 8.25. Addison Trail's Marcus Rias was 54th and teammate Daniel Baeza was 55th.

Martinez also tied for 26th on parallel bars with a score of 8.3. Willowbrook's Bret Goltz tied for 22nd on high bar with a score of 7.25.

Willowbrook baseball

The Willowbrook baseball team split a recent West Suburban Conference Gold Division doubleheader with Morton.

Willowbrook won the opener 8-2 and had 12 hits. Tyler Zunkel went 2-for-3 with two runs scored. Brian Johnson was 3-for-4 with two RBI and a double. Mike Rothmund went 2-for-4 with two runs scored, a double and two RBI. Mike Petruzzi was 2-for-3 with two runs scored. Jake Cady had a double.

Cady was the winning pitcher. He allowed no earned runs

and five hits in six innings and struck out six. Jeremy Knable pitched the seventh and struck out two to earn the save.

Willowbrook dropped the finale 3-1. The Warriors had only four hits. Dom McDonnell was 2-for-3. Tucker Newling had a double. Zunkel took the loss despite allowing only five hits and striking out seven.

In earlier action, Willowbrook dropped a 6-4 WSC Gold game to Hinsdale South. The Warriors had 11 hits. Petruzzi went 2-for-3 with an RBI. Newling also was 2-for-3. Rothmund went 3-for-3 with two runs scored and an RBI. Zunkel took the loss. He struck out three.

The Warriors also lost a WSC Gold doubleheader to Hinsdale South. In a 2-0 loss in the opener, Rothmund had a double. The trio of TJ Case, Knable and Cameron Murer combined to hold Hinsdale South to two hits, while striking out seven.

The Warriors also lost by the same 2-0 score in the finale. Willowbrook had three hits. Tyler Vavrek, Rothmund and Matt Pizur each had a hit. Cady pitched six innings and allowed six hits. He struck out three and walked none.

Willowbrook was 15-11 overall and 10-7 in WSC Gold play after the Morton split. The Warriors were slated to conclude conference play earlier this week against Morton.



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New to Villa Park...

BONE ROOFING SUPPLY celebrated the recent move of its business to Villa Park with Friday's ribbon-cutting ceremony. Several village employees joined members of the Villa Park Chamber of Commerce in attending the ceremony. The business, which provides building materials to professional roofing contractors, has relocated from Chicago to its new facility at 880 N. Addison Road. Bone Roofing Supply has been in business for more than 40 years. According to information on its Web site—boneroofingsupply.com—the family owned and operated business moved to Villa Park because its location offers quick access to major highways, and because the new facility provides more storage space for its expanding business.

Photo by Al Stasch



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The Garden Village supports the Lilac Village's parade

Villa Park provided some neighborly support to Sunday afternoon's Lombard Lilac Parade. Villa Park Fire Engine No. 81 was one of the emergency vehicles that helped to start off the annual parade, which took place in ideal weather conditions. Firefighter/paramedic Blaise Clairadin and Lt. Chris Gilliland manned the fire engine as it traveled northbound on Lombard's Main Street from Wilson Avenue to Maple Street before proceeding east to the end of the parade route.

The District 45 Middle School Band, featuring musicians from Jackson and Jefferson middle schools, also contributed to the parade. It's an annual tradition for band members from the two Villa Park schools to join forces to represent District 45 in the Lombard Lilac Parade. More than 50 students in grades six

through eight spent time rehearsing for and participating in Sunday's parade.

The Royal Airs Drum and Bugle Corps, which has performed at events in Villa Park for several years, also appeared in the parade. In addition to marching with the American flag, the corps carried the flag of Villa Park Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 2801.

Willowbrook High School's marching band closed out Sunday's parade procession. The marching bands from Willowbrook and Glenbard East high schools take part in each Lombard Lilac Parade. The two bands alternate between marching at the beginning and the end of the parade route, so Willowbrook's band will march at the opening of the 2015 parade, while the Glenbard East band will complete next year's procession.



Marching in Lombard...

Parade photos by Chris Fox

THE MARCHING BANDS from three Villa Park schools contributed to Sunday's Lombard Lilac Parade. The above and below photos show members of Willowbrook High School's marching band, which marched at the end of the parade route. The photos on the left show members of the District 45 marching band consisting of over 50 students from two Villa Park schools—Jackson and Jefferson middle schools. The photos show the bands near the beginning of the parade route at Main Street and Wilson Avenue.



Villa Park VFW's Memorial Day service begins at noon

Villa Park Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 2801 will hold its annual Memorial Day service on Monday, May 26. The service will begin at noon at the post, which is located at 39 E. St. Charles Road.

Satette Funeral Home will provide a balloon release in honor of all Villa Park veterans who have passed away during the last year. All post members who have passed away will also be honored.

A light lunch will be served after the brief ceremony. For more information, contact the post at 630-834-8191.

Flushing ends on Friday

The Village of Villa Park is performing its semi-annual water main flushing operation this week. According to a news release issued by the village, the operation is a necessary maintenance procedure to clear the mains of rust deposits and to check fire hydrants for proper operation.

Daily flushing will take place from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. through Friday, May 23. The village asks residents to refrain from doing laundry during those times, as rust stains could potentially damage clothing.

For more information about the water main flushing, contact the Villa Park Public Works Department at 630-834-8505.



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Willowbrook presents its last concert of the school year

Willowbrook High School's music department will present its final concert of the 2013-14 year on Thursday, May 22. The choral concert, which will begin at 7 p.m. in the school's Doris E. White Auditorium, will include performances from the beginning mixed chorus, the concert and treble choirs and the CenterStage show choir. The soon-to-graduate senior students of Willowbrook's choirs will be recognized at the concert.

Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students and senior citizens. Student passes and Senior Citizen Gold Cards will be accepted. Admission is free to children 12 and under who are accompanied by an adult.

Villa Park's newest ambulance should be in service this week

The Villa Park Fire Department picked up a new ambulance last week. According to Villa Park Fire Chief Ron Rakosnik, the 2014 Horton Type One ambulance should be in service as early as Thursday.

The Village of Villa Park maintains a fleet of three ambulances—two front-line vehicles and another that serves as a backup. The new vehicle, which the village purchased from Foster Coach in Sterling, Ill., for approximately \$180,000, will replace the oldest ambulance in the fleet. The village recently sold that vehicle, which will reportedly be used in Durango, Mexico.

The new ambulance has a 6.7-liter diesel

engine on a Ford F-450 chassis. It will be designated as Medic 81 and based at Fire Station 81, which is at 1440 S. Ardmore Ave. The village's other fire station—Station 82—is located at 102 W. Plymouth St.

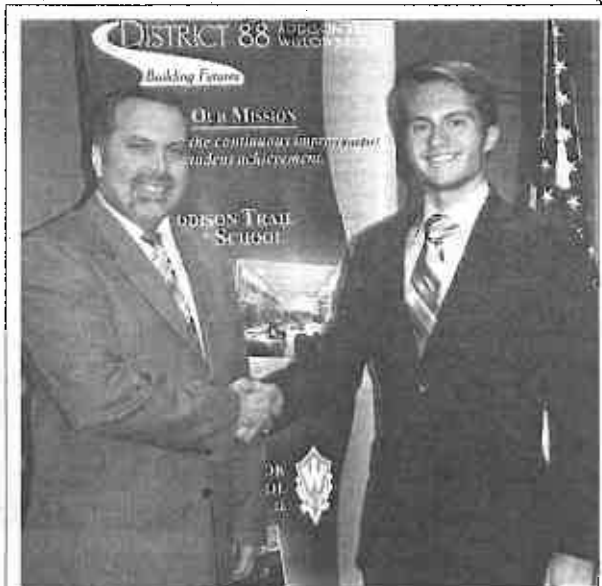
Rakosnik joined firefighter/paramedics Ron Brzezowski and Blaise Clairadin in traveling to Sterling last week to pick up the new vehicle. Rakosnik said the Illinois Department of Public Health and Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital's Emergency Medical Services (EMS) representatives will inspect the unit this week. If the ambulance passes the inspections, it should be in service as soon as tomorrow.



New ambulance...

Photo by Al Stasch

THE VILLAGE OF VILLA PARK'S newest ambulance should be in service this week. Three members of the Villa Park Fire Department picked up the 2014 Horton Type One ambulance last week from Foster Coach in Sterling. The village purchased the vehicle from Foster Coach for about \$180,000. The unit is designated as Medic 81 and will be based at Station 81 at 1440 S. Ardmore Ave. The village's other fire station, Station 82, is located at 102 W. Plymouth St. The fire department operates a fleet of three ambulances consisting of two front-line vehicles and one backup unit. The new unit replaces the oldest ambulance in the fleet. That unit has been sold and will reportedly be used in Mexico.



District 88's Best...

WILLOWBROOK HIGH SCHOOL senior Rokas Dubinas (above, right) is his school's May recipient of the District 88's Best honor. Dubinas, who is pictured with Willowbrook assistant principal Sam Bentsen, was recognized at the District 88 Board of Education meeting on May 12. Each month of the school year, the board of education presents the District 88's Best award to students from each of the district's two schools—Willowbrook and Addison Trail high schools. The award recognizes students for their achievements both inside and outside the classroom. Dubinas, who will join the rest of Willowbrook's Class of 2014 at the school's June 8 graduation ceremony, has pursued a rigorous curriculum in his four years of high school. When he graduates, Dubinas will have successfully completed 13 Advanced Placement (AP) college-level courses. Dubinas, who maintains an academic rank within the top 1 percent of his class, is an inductee of the National Honor Society, the National English Honor Society, the National Math Honor Society, the National Language Honor Society and Willowbrook's social studies honor society—Civitas. He is also an Illinois State Scholar. Outside of the classroom, Dubinas has participated in several extracurricular activities. He was a captain of the boys soccer team, as well as a varsity tennis player. He has also been active in Willowbrook's student council and senior service project. Dubinas has received an appointment to the United States Military Academy in West Point, N.Y., where he plans to major in international relations with a minor in law. He hopes to apply to be a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University. Dubinas would someday like to focus on a career in diplomacy or politics.

Questions? Comments?

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Part of the parade...

Photo by Chris Fox

THE DISTRICT 45 MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND participated in Sunday's Lombard Lilac Parade. Students from two Villa Park schools—Jackson and Jefferson middle schools—join together each year to march in the parade. This year's band included over 50 musicians from grades six through eight. The above photo shows members of the band marching near the start of the parade route, which began on Main Street at Wilson Avenue and continued north on Main before turning east onto Maple Street. Christina Wallbrich is Jefferson Middle School's band director. Jackson Middle School's band director is Joseph Koppel.



Three wins at state... File photos by Chris Fox

THE WILLOWBROOK DOUBLES DUO of junior Brooke Bimber (above, left) and senior Janine Johnson (right) won three straight matches at the IHSA state badminton meet, which took place Friday and Saturday at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston. Bimber and Johnson scored three-game victories in each of their first three matches at the meet. A 10-21, 21-7, 21-12 victory over a Downers Grove North tandem in Friday's third-round match propelled Bimber and Johnson into Saturday's quarterfinals, where they lost to the eventual state-champion team from Thornton Fractional South. Bimber and Johnson's run at the state meet ended with their next match—a loss in the consolation round. The Willowbrook duo completed the season with an overall record of 22-7. The Warriors' other doubles team that competed at the state meet—senior Maddie Arnold and junior Sydney Planz—won a pair of matches at the state meet. Willowbrook senior Amanda Wendt won one match in the singles draw, while senior Katherine Hinman lost both of her singles matches.

Super season...

JUNIOR LAUREN TROJNAR (right) has helped the Montini softball team to an undefeated season in Suburban Christian Conference play. The Broncos completed their perfect 16-0 conference season with Monday's 9-7 victory over Wheaton Academy in Lombard. The victory gave Montini an overall season record of 23-6. Trojnar pitched a complete game for the Broncos, allowing nine hits over seven innings. She earned the victory to move her season record to 16-3. Four Montini players (junior Ashley Lentina, junior Morganne Evans, senior Sara Ross and sophomore Emily Lezcano) connected for home runs in Monday's victory. Evans and Trojnar each belted three hits for the Broncos, who finished the day with 15 hits. Montini clinched sole possession of the conference championship with its 4-1 victory over St. Edward on May 14. Trojnar fired a complete game in that victory, allowing five hits over seven innings. The Broncos will play a home game against Willowbrook on Thursday. They will finish the regular season with Saturday's game against Bartlett at the Chicago Bandits Jamboree in Rosemont.



File photo by Chris Fox

Soccer club holds tryouts

The Infinity Soccer Club is holding tryouts this month for its 2014-15 season. The tryouts will take place at the Pioneer Day Care Center, located at 543 E. Taylor Road, Lombard.

The tryouts for the club's girls teams in levels from U-8 to U-14 (players born between Aug. 1, 2000 and July 31, 2007) will take place Tuesday, May 27, and Wednesday, May 28. Each girls tryout session will run from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

While players only need to attend one session, attending both is encouraged.

For additional information about this month's tryouts, visit the club's Web site at infinitysoccerclub.com, or send an e-mail to Putbolmured@shgicbcal.net.

Top gymnasts...

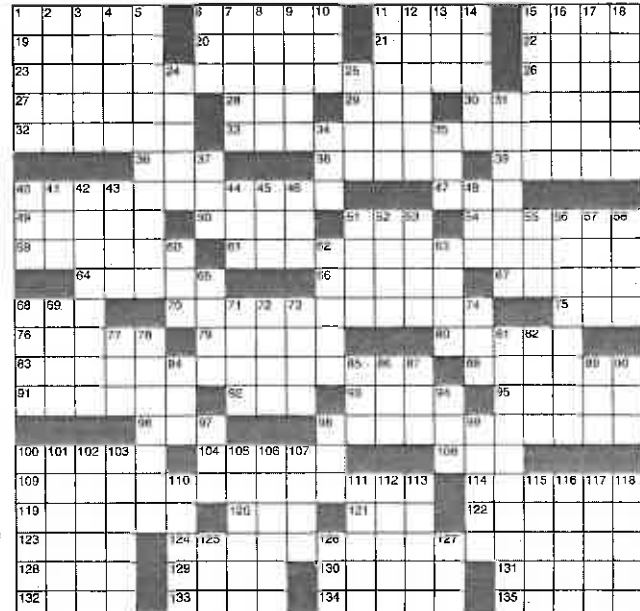
THE WILLOWBROOK BOYS gymnastics team sent four boys to the IHSA state meet, which took place on Saturday at Hinsdale Central High School. The photo on the right shows Willowbrook's coaches and the team's individual state qualifiers. Pictured left to right are: Coach John Wronkiewicz, coach Nikko Winstead, senior Colton Bach, junior Keawe Winstead, junior Bret Golz, senior Corey Coman and coach Annette Nocek. Bach qualified to compete in the vault, while Coman and Winstead earned state-meet berths in the pommel horse. Golz qualified for the state meet in two events—floor exercises and the high bar. The Willowbrook gymnasts earned their trips to the state meet with their scores at the Glenbard West Sectional on May 10. Winstead won the sectional title on the pommel horse with a score of 8.65.



Super Crossword

FIRST LANGUAGES

- ACROSS**
- 1 Occasions to use tubs
 - 6 Really dislike
 - 11 Animal's nail
 - 15 Composer Khachaturian
 - 19 Igloo builder
 - 20 Believer in God, of a sort
 - 21 Mortgage adjustment, for short
 - 22 "Vincent & ... (1990 film)
 - 23 Firm blowing, in a first language?
 - 26 Not "for here"
 - 27 Misprint list
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 - 29 Hold the title to
 - 30 Colled about
 - 32 Gave temporarily
 - 33 2002 Bond film, in a first language?
 - 36 Illuminated
 - 38 Politician's prediction
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 - 61 Oval circuit, in a first language?
 - 64 Pop or rock
 - 65 —, lump sum
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 - 68 Right, to left
 - 70 Without uncertainty, in a first language?
 - 75 Thick — brick
 - 76 "I — vacation"
 - 79 Plague
 - 80 Meat dish
 - 83 Bailiff's cry, in a first language?
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 - 92 Dot-com address
 - 93 Collect, as benefits
 - 95 Charity recipient
 - 96 Pig product
 - 98 Keying-in skill, in a first language?
 - 104 Past chunky
 - 108 Form a hole
 - 109 Very jealous, in a first language?
 - 114 Packed down firmly
 - 119 "What a Girl Wants" star
 - 120 Yes, to Luc
 - 121 Archer's need
 - 122 Melodic
 - 123 Tepee
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 - 125 Without uncertainty, in a first language?
 - 128 Fringe
 - 129 Falco or McClurg
 - 130 Tree that's a source of chocolate
 - 131 Prefix with 30-Across
 - 132 Like many Easter eggs
 - 133 Animal pouches
 - 134 "Revenge is — best served cold"
 - 135 Obstinate equines
 - 1 Delic offering
 - 2 Olds of 1999-2004
 - 4 Earthing
 - 5 Places for "Welcome to — signs"
 - 6 Flip
 - 7 Suit, adequately
 - 8 Snag
 - 9 Milo of stage and screen
 - 10 I-85, e.g.
 - 11 "Lary — (2011 Tom Hanks film)
 - 12 Rest against
 - 13 One of the seven continents
 - 14 Side-to-side extent
 - 15 Raiment
 - 16 Beach Boys little girl
 - 17 Naxos' sea island
 - 18 Big items in bond credit ratings
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 - 25 Wild tuskier
 - 31 Live online lecture
 - 34 "—be nice if ..."
 - 35 NFL stats
 - 37 Blasting into
 - 40 Did a dash
 - 41 Practice
 - 42 Pasture perli
 - 43 In — (as first placed)
 - 44 Infant's cry
 - 46 Prefix with interference
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 - 58 Home of the Taj Mahal
 - 60 Zilch
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 - 63 Back
 - 65 Lacks what a takes
 - 66 Burden
 - 69 Impudent
 - 71 Wakiki's island
 - 72 New — (artist like Enya)
 - 73 Table salt, symbolically
 - 74 Mass of eggs
 - 77 Yet to be paid
 - 78 Ditz
 - 81 "The Lost City" director and co-star
 - 82 Arrest doctor's
 - 84 Top-secret gp.
 - 85 S. Amer.
 - 86 On Soc. Sec.
 - 87 Tic — toe
 - 89 Grown boys
 - 90 Solist stars
 - 94 Prof's dog
 - 97 Manicure, as a lawn
 - 98 Subpar mark
 - 99 Cronus, e.g.
 - 100 See 28-
 - 101 Humor
 - 102 Lie carrots
 - 103 Chartered
 - 105 Like the "Six Million Dollar Man"
 - 106 Pianists' dexterity improvers
 - 107 Actor LaBouff
 - 110 Specifies
 - 111 Greek water nymph
 - 112 "The Da — Code"
 - 113 Some urban facilities
 - 116 PC Jacks
 - 117 Societte Lauder
 - 118 They may be slammed
 - 125 Tooth doctor's org.
 - 126 JVC rival



Villa Park POLICE Blotter

May 2

CRIMINAL DAMAGE was reported at Walgreens, 200 E. Roosevelt Road, after unknown person(s) spray-painted the sidewalk.

May 5

A BURGLARY was reported in the 700 block of South Route 83, where unknown person(s) entered trucks in a parking lot and took a GPS unit, keys, a flip phone and fire extinguishers.

AN ADDISON MAN was charged with unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, obstructing a peace officer and resisting a peace officer in the 900 block of West North Avenue at about 10:06 p.m. Estevan Delatoire, 36, was charged and released.

May 7

A CHICAGO RESIDENT was charged with DUI, no valid driver's license, improper use of signal, having no headlights and an expired license plate on Roosevelt Road at about 12:48 a.m. Aaron Evans, 29, was charged and released. Also charged in the incident was Chasity Grider, 29, who was charged with possession of cannabis and released.

May 8

A VILLA PARK RESIDENT was charged with unlawful possession of cannabis, operating an uninsured motor vehicle and having a loud muffler just after 10 p.m. at Washington and Ardmore. Jaroslaw Glinski, 26, was charged and released.

May 9

A VILLA PARK MAN was charged with violation of an order of protection and attempted resisting or obstructing a police officer in the 500 block of West Division at about 7:48 p.m. Nicholas Alanis, 24, was charged and released.

AN ADDISON TEEN was charged with obstructing identification at Wal-Mart, 900 S. Route 83. Creshon Corbin, 19, was charged and released.

May 10

THEFT OF A CELL PHONE was reported at Ardmore Station Liquors, 405 N. Ardmore Ave. The phone was taken from a counter at the business.

CRIMINAL DAMAGE was reported at Jefferson Pool, 255 W. Vermont, after three unknown male juveniles reportedly threw a rock at the rear window of a park district vehicle, shattering a window. The juveniles were observed fleeing from Jefferson Pool.

AN ELKHART, IND., MAN was charged with illegal transportation of alcohol, driver's license not on person, and having tinted windows, an obstructed windshield, a cracked windshield and a loud muffler on North Avenue at about 1:43 a.m. Ryan Yaratch, 22, was charged and released.

A VILLA PARK MAN was charged with DUI, duty upon damaging other property, failure to report accident to police authority, driving on sidewalk, improper stopping, standing or parking in roadway, improper lane usage, failure to yield to authorized emergency vehicle, illegal transportation of alcohol and driver's license not on person at Wildwood and Oakland at about 1:46 a.m. Roberto Ramirez, 30, was charged and released.

Three lives saved after launch of Narcan program

The life-saving efforts of the DuPage Narcan Program (DNP) are proved once again as a third life is saved from a heroin overdose by administering Narcan.

On Tuesday, May 13, Lemont police officers responded to an emergency call around 9 p.m. that brought them to the scene of the Heritage Quarries Recreation Area in Lemont. The victim was overdosing in an area of the park that was not accessible to ambulances. The officers who responded to the scene had received training through the DNP and were carrying Narcan. They used two doses of Narcan to save the life of the 31-year-old male.

"These officers recently completed their DNP training on April 28 and it couldn't have come at a better time," said Lemont Police detective, Aras Jonikas. "Our job is to protect our residents and the training we received through the DNP and the Narcan we were issued is just another tool we can use to effectively do our job."

The DNP was created in response to DuPage County's growing heroin epidemic, with the purpose of saving lives from overdoses. The DNP is a collaborative effort made up of community officials, including DuPage County Chairman Dan Cronin, DuPage County Coroner Richard Jorgensen, DuPage County State's Attorney Robert Berlin, DuPage County Sheriff John Zaruba, the DuPage County Chiefs of Police Association and the DuPage County Health Department.

Since November, DuPage County law enforcement personnel have been attending training sessions through the DNP program to learn how to recognize people who are overdosing and how to administer Narcan, a non-addictive drug which can reverse a

potentially fatal overdose. Currently, there are over 1,600 DuPage County police officers trained and deployed with Narcan.

For more information on the DuPage County Health Department, visit Twitter @DuPageHD or become a fan on Facebook.

IMEA program awards security grant to District 88

Twenty DuPage County schools will soon be able to make safety and security upgrades, thanks to an Illinois Emergency Management Agency grant program.

The Illinois School and Campus Safety Grant Program awarded \$1.6 million in grants aimed at improving school and student safety—covering 87 separate projects in DuPage County schools and colleges.

State Sen. Tom Cullerton (D-Villa Park) applauded the award.

"If we have learned anything from tragic, violent school shootings, it is that protecting our children at school should be one of our highest priorities," Cullerton said. "This funding gives schools the ability to be proactive and helps ensure the safety of our students."

Gov. Pat Quinn recently announced the grants, saying, "These projects will strengthen security at main entry points, providing school personnel with critical moments to alert law enforcement, activate plans to protect students and save lives."

The recipient schools include DuPage High School District 88, with a grant of \$50,000.

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