

VILLA PARK COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, Oct. 9

'She Loves Me' at Elmhurst College's Mill Theatre

She Loves Me will be performed at 8 p.m. in the Mill Theatre (253 Walter St., Elmhurst, elmhurst.edu/campusmap). Admission: \$7, students are \$5, and senior citizens; Elmhurst faculty and staff are \$6. To purchase tickets, call (630) 617-3005 or visit the box office, in the theater.

Friday, Oct. 10

Autumn Magic art reception

From 6-9 p.m. in the EAG gallery at the Elmhurst Art Museum, 150 S. Cottage Hill Ave., the Elmhurst Garden Club and the Elmhurst Artists' Guild are inviting the public to join them at the reception for Autumn Magic, a combination of an autumn-themed EAG members' art show and an EGC autumn woodland garden display. Admission: Free. Info: go online to: elmhurstartistsguild.org

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Thursday, Oct. 16

New York Times TV critic at Elmhurst College

Alessandra Stanley, chief television critic for The New York Times, Stanley will present "Small Screen, Big Mirror: Television Reflections in the New Millennium," at 7 p.m. in the Elmhurst College Founders Lounge of the Frick Center

(190 Prospect Ave., Elmhurst, elmhurst.edu/campusmap). Admission: \$10 for the general public and free for Elmhurst College students, faculty, staff and alumni. Tickets are available by visiting elmhurst.edu/tix. Info: call (630) 617-3390.

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Saturday, Oct. 18

Woodcarving show comes to Odeum

From 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Artistry in Wood, the Midwest's largest woodcarving show, will be held at the Odeum, 1330 No. Villa Ave. Admission is \$5; kids younger than 12 and uniformed Scouts are admitted free. Info: northsuburbancarvers.org

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Elmhurst Symphony season-opening concert

Three winners from this year's Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra's Stanger Auditions will each share the stage with the ESO to perform concerto movements during its opening concert of the season. The con-

cert begins at 7 p.m. at Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church, 149 W Brush Hill Road, which is handicapped-accessible and offers free parking. For tickets or and information, visit elmhurstsymphony.org, or call 630-941-0202.

Sunday, Oct. 19

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Thursday, Oct. 23

Multi-chamber luncheon meeting

A multi-chamber luncheon meeting with members from Addison, Villa Park, Wood Dale and possibly other area chamber of commerce members will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Dave & Buster's, 1155 N. Swift Road, Addison. Michael D. Wong, an attorney with SmithAdmundsen LLC, will give a presentation titled, "Smoke Signals: The Impact of the Illinois Medical Marijuana Law." Fee: \$27 per person for chamber members, \$30 per person for non-members. Reservations are required no later than Wednesday, Oct. 15. Info: call 630-543-4300, go online to addisonchamber.org or email: addisonchamber@sbcglobal.net

Saturday, Oct. 25

Junior Women host Trick or Trot 5K, Little Devil Dash

The Villa Park Junior Women's Club will host the Trick or

Trot 5K, and the Little Devil Dash 1K, at the Gazebo at Ardmore and Park along the Prairie Path. Registration: 7:30 a.m.; 5K steps off promptly at 9 a.m.; Devil Dash at 10:30 a.m. Proceeds benefit local families and organizations. Costumes optional, but encouraged. Prizes awarded for top finishers, and for best costumes. To register, visit: active.com/villa-park-il/running/races/trick-or-trot-5k-little-devil-dash-1k-2014

Wednesday, Oct. 29

Town Hall meeting about street improvements

At 6:30 p.m., residents are invited to the Villa Park Library Annex, 317 So. Ardmore, for a Town Hall meeting to discuss the Village's street improvement program and the road referendum questions that will be on the ballot at the November 4, 2014, General Election. Info: 630-592-6052.

Ongoing events

Widows or Widowers (W.O.W.) meet each month

Widows or Widowers (W.O.W.) of the Western Suburbs will meet on the third Thursday of each month and offers a variety of social activities. The September meeting will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 537 S. York Road, Elmhurst, starting at 6:30 p.m. Musical entertainment by Edizon Dayao. Admission: \$5. Info: (630) 620-4060 or wov.cfsites.org.

Electronic items disposal

From 9 a.m. to noon on the third Saturday of every month, the village of Villa Park has coordinated with Roy Strom, the village's waste hauler, to offer E-Waste "the right way" — a convenient, cost free

drop-off electronic disposal solution. The drop-off site has been relocated to the Village Hall parking lot, located at 20 S. Ardmore Ave. Info: contact Erin Knackstedt at (630) 592-6052.

Villa Park Men's Garden Club meetings

On the fourth Tuesday of every month, the Men's Garden Club of Villa Park has monthly meetings at 7:30 p.m. at the Villa Park Recreation Center, 320 E. Wildwood.

Your Place for Seniors

Area seniors are invited to "Your Place" at the Community Rec Building, 320 E. Wildwood, to play Pinochle, bridge, canasta, a board game or whatever game is being played. Hours are: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.; and, Tuesdays from 1-2:30 p.m. (NOTE: "Your Place" does not meet on the second Thursday of the month.) Info: (630) 834-8525.

VPDR's Reader's Theater Group

Would you like to perform without having to memorize scripts or lyrics? Join the Readers' Theatre Group each Monday from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Community Rec. Building, 320 E. Wildwood. Free; no registration needed. Info: Jenny Casale at (630) 834-8525.

VFW Bingo

The Villa Park VFW hosts Bingo every Tuesday from 5:30-10 p.m.

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 honors distinguished alumni, service awards for 2014

VILLA PARK — Willowbrook has more than 50 years of Pride, Tradition and Excellence, and the alumni and staff members who helped make Willowbrook the great school it is today are recognized annually through the school's Distinguished Alumni/Distinguished Service awards program.

The class of 2014 inductees were recognized on Thursday, September 25 at a dinner in their honor held at Crowne Plaza hotel in Glen Ellyn. They also were recognized on Friday, September 26 during Willowbrook's Homecoming pep assembly.

This year's recipients are:

2014 Distinguished Alumni

Barry Grissom — Class of 1972
Dr. Peter Krogh — Class of 1971
Thomas Lambke — Class of 1973
Glenn Lid — Class of 1975

Thomas Liss — Class of 1969
Deanne Mazzochi — Class of 1990
Sandra Ranke — Class of 1982
Victor Salvo Jr. — Class of 1975
Rajinder Singh — Class of 1997
2014 Distinguished Service
Lowell Anderson — 1965 to 1993
Jack Husak — 1965 to 1988
Larry Langellier — 1966 to 2000

To nominate an alumni or a staff member to be a class of 2015 inductee, complete the form at dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=645. Submit it by April 20, to:

Willowbrook High School
Distinguished Alumni/Service program
1250 S. Ardmore Ave.
Villa Park, IL 60181
Alumni@dupage88.net



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On Sept. 25, Willowbrook honored the Distinguished Alumni/Distinguished Service awards program class of 2014 inductees. Pictured are (front row, from left): Deanne Mazzochi, Charlotte Kennedy (mother of Sandra Ranke), Victor Salvo Jr., Thomas Lambke; (back row, from left) Thomas Liss, Dr. Peter Krogh, Larry Langellier, Lowell Anderson, Barry Grissom and Jack Husak.

SPORTS

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Atiyeh part of Addison Trail football team's success

Senior big contributor to Blazers offense

By Mike Miazga
Correspondent

Addison Trail senior slot receiver Jake Atiyeh isn't a fan of losing.

Neither are the rest of his teammates.

"We went 2-7 last year," he said. "We didn't like losing last year. We've stepped it up as much as we can and we put in a lot of hard work in the off-season. We're doing well so far."

Doing well equates to the Blazers bringing a perfect 6-0 mark into its Week 7 matchup at home against Proviso East. Addison Trail scored a 40-14 win on the road against Morton in Week 6 to earn an automatic playoff berth.

And Atiyeh has been a key piece to the Blazers'

offensive puzzle. Through five weeks, Atiyeh was tops on the team with 29 receptions for 231 yards (8.0 yards per catch). He also had 4 touchdowns. His long catch was for 37 yards. He also ranked second on the team in all-purpose yards with 284.

"We don't take anything lightly," he said. "We work hard in practice and try to get better each day so we're ready for the games on Friday."

Atiyeh added the team's experience last year has paid dividends this season.

"We have a lot of returning players that are seniors," he said. "The experience we have helps us all. We know the speed of the game and how everything goes. Our offense is doing well and our defense is doing great. Our defensive line is good and we have inside linebackers who are aggressive. We play together and we play as a unit. The atmosphere in practice is alive. We have a great atmosphere."

Atiyeh, whose younger brother, Zach, is a junior

on the team, noted success on the field has led to an increased excitement around school.

"The atmosphere around the school is upbeat," he said. "It's not like a ghost town in the hallways. We're getting more fans on Friday and everybody is more excited."

Atiyeh said when he's on the field, all he's concerned with is helping the team.

"I try to do my best out there," he said. "When I get the opportunity in games I'm going to block as hard as I can and catch the ball when it is thrown to me. I want to do my job."

Atiyeh is looking forward to seeing how the rest of the 2014 season will play out.

"We can't take anything for granted," he said. "We can't think we're better than any other team. We're going to work as hard as we can and do the best we can each game."

Addison Trail football team moves to 6-0

Fenton girls cross-country team showing improvement

By Mike Miazga
Correspondent

Here come the playoffs.

The Addison Trail football team guaranteed itself a position in the 2014 state playoffs after a recent 40-14 West Suburban Conference Gold Division win over Morton.

The victory moved the Blazers to 6-0 overall and 4-0 in WSC Gold play.

Addison Trail returns to action Friday at home at 7:30 p.m. to face Proviso East.

In terms of the WSC Gold race, Addison Trail can clinch no worse than a share of the championship with a win over Proviso East. Addison Trail has a one-game lead in the loss column over Hinsdale South (3-1) and Downers Grove South (2-1).

Fenton football

The Fenton football dropped to 0-2 in Metro Suburban Conference West Division play after a 35-13 loss to Aurora Central Catholic.

Fenton is 4-2 overall now and will travel to Riverside-Brookfield (4-2) Friday for another MSC West contest. The Bison need one more win

to become playoff eligible and two wins to earn an automatic playoff berth.

Addison Trail boys soccer

The Addison Trail boys soccer team was 5-5-1 overall through its first 11 matches of the season. The Blazers were 1-1 in West Suburban Conference Gold Division play with a win against Hinsdale South and a loss to Downers Grove South.

The Blazers also have beaten Maine West and Glenbard West and took first out of eight teams at the Joe Novy Soccer Tournament. Addison Trail is 2-3 in its last five games with all five contests being decided by two goals or less (4 by one goal).

"Almost every game we play is a very close game," said Addison Trail coach Ryan Dini.

Sophomore forward Tom Kania leads the team with 10 goals and three assists. Junior midfielder Damian Zielinski had three goals and two assists, while senior goalie Jonah Moran has a 1.70 goals-against average with three shutouts.

"We are a very young team," said Dini. "Of our 11 starters, 4 are underclassmen. We are stressing building a family-like atmosphere and becoming a unified team. We only lose one starter for next year on

offense. The future is really bright and we have continued to improve as a team."

Dini cited strong recent play from freshman forward Jonathan Hernandez and junior defender Fernando Alvarado.

"Jonathan has improved as the season has gone on," said Dini. "He has good size and great speed and is a pleasure to watch. The future is very bright with him since he has started every game for the varsity team. Fernando is another player who has stepped up. He started the season as a midfielder and we moved him to defense after the second game. He has filled that role well and gives us some more speed in the back of our defense."

Addison Trail played District 88 neighbor Willowbrook earlier in the week and hosts Leyden Saturday at noon.

"The playoffs start in the middle of the month so we are looking to play our best soccer at that point," said Dini. "We should be seeded somewhere in the middle of the sectional and will look to make some noise in the state playoffs. We are starting to believe we can beat anyone and our captains have done a great job the last couple of weeks of keeping everyone on the same page."

Fenton girls cross country

Charity Bullis (freshman), Jessica McCauley (freshman),

Marisol Garcia (junior), Lea Cornejo-Perez (freshman) and Crystal Medrano (senior) continue to be mainstays for the Bison girls cross-country team.

"Our top 5 runners have remained consistent," said coach Sarah McDougal. "Charity, Jessica and Lea all have been standouts at the freshman-sophomore level at our invites. The team is working to develop a competitive mentality and they all are focused on the postseason state series. Marisol and Crystal, our captains, have stepped it up of late, demanding from each runner an increase in

effort and mileage."

Addison Trail girls volleyball

The Addison Trail girls volleyball team dropped a 25-17, 24-26, 25-12 West Suburban Conference Gold Division match to District 88 neighbor Willowbrook.

Sarah Petrbok had 11 kills, two aces and 13 digs for the Blazers. Keara Schmidt had five kills, while Caira Williams also had five kills. Anastasia Labadessa had 23 assists and three aces. Evi Mertiri had two aces, while Danielle Tulke had 10 digs for the Blazers (8-16).

Week 7 Preview Proviso East (1-5, 0-3) at Addison Trail (6-0, 4-0)

When: Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Where: Addison Trail High School

Last week: Willowbrook 35, Proviso East 14, Addison Trail 40, Morton 14

Last year: Addison Trail 42, Proviso East 28

Outlook: Addison Trail clinched a playoff spot with last week's win over Morton. Now, the Blazers have a chance here to clinch no worse than a tie for the West Suburban Conference Gold Division title with a win. Proviso East is coming off a loss to Willowbrook. The Pirates have lost five in a row since their season-opening win against Maine West

Teamwork fuels Willowbrook girls volleyball

Warriors off to fantastic start thanks in part to senior leadership

By Mike Miazga
Correspondent

Willowbrook senior girls volleyball setter Kelsey Linnig is in her fourth season on the varsity.

And her fourth and final season has gotten off to a rousing start, as the Warriors sported a 14-5 record through late last week—one of the team's best

beginnings in recent times. Willowbrook's best record since 2006 was a 20-16 mark (5-1 in conference play). Eleventh-year coach Sue Bower believes this is the strongest start the program has enjoyed since she has been coaching there.

"We have a lot of returning varsity players," said Linnig. "We have five seniors doing a very good job leading the team as well as Kelly (Conley), our libero. We work very strongly as a unit. Everybody does their job and everybody does what they need to do to help the team."

Linnig noted she's had one

goal in particular on her mind for quite some time.

"By senior year my goal was for this year to be the strongest year," she said. "Each year we've kept getting better and this year is by far our best already. From the beginning of the season we knew it wasn't going to be like past seasons. We knew we were capable of this. It's so exciting to come out and be so successful."

Linnig said the team has been bolstered, in particular, by the play of Conley in the back row.

"She does an amazing job on defense. She is great at picking balls up," said Linnig. "Our

defense is so strong. It gives me an opportunity to run our offense and I have hitters who can put the ball away. We're getting contributions from everybody and that is what has helped make us successful."

With players having been together for an extended time, Linnig noted team chemistry also has given the squad a boost.

"Our communication and chemistry have been great," she said. "It keeps us going. If we get down in a match we're able to bounce back and pull together as a team."

Linnig, who is active in the

Special Olympics initiative at Willowbrook, said she would like to study special education at either Illinois State or the University of Illinois. Playing volleyball is not currently in her college plans, but she said she would investigate it if the opportunity came up.

But for now, her focus is on the remainder of Willowbrook's season.

"We want to keep our record above .500 and go after the conference title (Willowbrook had 1 conference loss as of this writing)," she said. "We want to continue to be the underdog that surprises everyone."

Willowbrook football team defeats Proviso East

Warriors girls tennis team scores two wins

By Mike Miazga
Correspondent

The Willowbrook football team stopped a five-game losing streak with a recent 35-14 West Suburban Conference Gold Division win over Proviso East in Maywood.

The win moved the Warriors to 1-5 overall and 1-2 in WSC Gold play.

Willowbrook returns to action Friday at Downers Grove South.

Willowbrook boys golf

The Willowbrook boys golf team placed fourth at the West Suburban Conference Gold

Division meet held at Prairie Bluff. The Warriors finished with a 359 score.

Senior Dominic McDonnell placed eighth overall with an 83. Senior Justin Bosco was 12th with an 88, while juniors Max Sarovich and Nick Tiberi each shot 94. McDonnell and Bosco earned all-WSC Gold honors.

"I am extremely proud of the growth we have made this year on the varsity and the frosh-soph level," said Willowbrook coach Gary Walker.

The Warriors also competed in the Lake Park quad at Medinah Country Club course No. 2. Willowbrook took third with a score of 180.

McDonnell shot 41. Senior Henry Wallace added a 44, while Sarovich had a 46. Junior Max Langer and Bosco each shot 49.

The Warriors also played an 18-hole match against District 88 neighbor Addison Trail at Prairie Bluff. The first nine holes counted as the WSC Gold match between the two teams. Addison Trail scored a 156-175 victory.

Wallace led the Warriors with a 42. Bosco and senior Mike Madrid each shot 44, while McDonnell shot a 45.

The 18-hole final saw Addison Trail record a 314-358 win. McDonnell finished with an 85. Tiberi shot 87. Sarovich shot 93, while Bosco and Madrid each shot 94.

Willowbrook girls golf

The Willowbrook girls golf team scored a recent 163-180 non-conference win over Plainfield East.

At the West Suburban Conference meet, Willowbrook

was tied for eighth place with Hinsdale South. Senior Amanda DiNella took 10th and Madison Aiello had what coach Jim White termed her "best round all season."

"Madison fell just short of a conference medal in what might be one of the toughest conferences in the state," added White. "The team is playing well compared to the start of the season. The team is constantly posting better scores each match. They are becoming more consistent. More experience and more challenges calculate into better scores at conference."

Willowbrook boys cross country

The Willowbrook boys cross-country team recorded a recent West Suburban Conference Gold Division win over

Leyden.

"It was a great race," said Willowbrook coach TJ Artman.

Artman lauded the recent performances of captain Jimmy Funteas Jr., Marco Martinez, Chris Turek and Casey King.

"Jimmy is a senior who has been doing awesome. He's doing tons of great workouts and has a great attitude," said Artman. "Marco is new to the program and is making a name for himself. Chris is a returning varsity racer who was a key contributor in the win against Leyden. Casey is a sophomore who is learning how to race on the varsity and will be key by the end of the season."

The Warriors faced Proviso East earlier this week. Willowbrook will host the WSC Gold meet next Saturday.

"We are getting geared up for the most competitive part of the season," said Artman.

Willowbrook girls tennis

The Willowbrook girls tennis team scored recent wins over Proviso West (5-0) and Proviso East (6-1).

"The team is having fun, working hard and helping each other improve," said Willowbrook coach Christy Scardina. "The team has become more consistent with its ground strokes and the girls have better shot placement."

Cate Strock scored wins for the Warriors against Proviso East, Proviso West and Morton. "Cate has been working extremely hard and it shows," said Scardina.

Willowbrook will host part of the WSC Gold tournament this weekend.

Week 7 Preview Fenton (4-2, 0-2) at Riverside-Brookfield (4-2, 2-0)

When: Friday, 7:15 p.m.

Where: Riverside-Brookfield High School

Last week: Aurora Central 35, Fenton 13; R-B 26, IC Catholic Prep 0

Last year: Fenton 43, R-B 14

Outlook: Fenton looks to snap a two-game losing streak against Metro Suburban Conference West Division co-leader Riverside-Brookfield. R-B and Glenbard South are tied atop the conference at 2-0. R-B, which went 1-8 last year, owns wins against teams that were a combined 8-12 heading into Week 6. R-B has lost to unbeaten Nazareth Academy and Elgin St. Edward. A win here would make Fenton playoff eligible.

Week 7 Preview Willowbrook (1-5, 1-2) at Downers Grove South (4-2, 2-1)

When: Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Where: Downers Grove South High School

Last week: Willowbrook 35, Proviso East 14; Downers South 35, Downers North 13

Last year: Downers Grove South 47, Willowbrook 14

Outlook: Willowbrook snapped a five-game losing streak with last week's victory against Proviso East. The Warriors now head to Downers Grove South to face the perennial conference title contenders, which currently sit in third place in the West Suburban Conference Gold Division. After a 1-2 start, the Mustangs have won three in a row against the likes of Morton (2-4), Leyden (0-6) and Downers Grove North (1-5).

Knights need to win out after loss to RB

By DAN SANTAROMITA

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ELMHURST – There wasn't much about the game against Riverside Brookfield that wasn't ugly for IC Catholic.

Between bad weather, a slew of key injuries and disappointing play on the field, the Knights won't want to dwell on the 26-7 loss Saturday.

"We just couldn't get it rolling, they were good," IC coach Bill Krefft said. "I don't think we handled the line of scrimmage at all. We didn't get anything going up front."

Even more damning than the loss itself is the fact IC is now 2-4, meaning it needs to win out to make the playoffs, and all three remaining opponents have winning records.

"We got to win out," Krefft said. "We're going to focus on Wheaton Academy. We're going to focus on this next game, and more than anything we're going to focus on us and make sure we're getting better."

First thing will be finding out who Krefft actually has at his disposal as the Knights prepare for Wheaton Academy on Saturday. IC's top two running backs Jordan Rowell and Max Eichhorn and standout

wide receiver/defensive back Rhashaun Epting all picked up injuries in the third quarter against RB and didn't return.

Even before the injuries, IC's offense couldn't get moving. RB's Matt Chapp took a punt back 80 yards for the first score of the game in the final minute of the first quarter. Chapp ran in for a 16-yard touchdown with 5:05 left in the game to extend the lead to 20-0. A pick-six by the Bulldogs when the Knights were on RB's 2-yard line was IC's fourth turnover of the game.

Freshman quarterback Luke Ricobene got the Knights on the board when he hit Patrick Jordan for a 28-yard score in the last minute of the game. Ricobene has been gradually worked into the lineup for the Knights. He debuted in a backup role against Walther Christian in Week 3 and made his first start in Week 5 against Aurora Central Catholic.

"That's a 14-year-old, so I think he's been getting better every game," Krefft said. "I think some of the things we're doing up front to protect him are helping a little bit. I thought he played well. The turnovers are going to happen



Steve Bittinger - For Shaw Media

IC Catholic quarterback Luke Ricobene delivers a pass in the first half of Saturday's against Riverside Brookfield. Ricobene threw a touchdown pass, but the Knights lost 26-7.

with younger guys. We should be able to brush that off better than we are."

Ricobene came up through IC's feeder program. He said he is starting to adjust to varsity football.

"Each game I'm getting more comfortable," Ricobene said. "Throughout this game I felt more comfortable. I got more confidence throughout the game. By the end of the year I should be fully developed."

Game breakdown

RB 26, IC Catholic 7

IC LEADERS

- **PASSING:** Luke Ricobene: 18-for-33, 240 yards, TD
- **RUSHING:** Jordan Rowell: 14-73; Max Eichhorn: 8-11
- **RECEIVING:** Sean Packer: 5-113; Patrick Jordan: 5-56, TD; Jose Rodriguez: 3-28, Rhashaun Epting: 1-23

Week 7 matchup

- **WHO:** Wheaton Academy at IC Catholic
- **WHEN:** 1 p.m. Saturday
- **WHERE:** Plunkett Park, 150 S. West Ave., Elmhurst
- **RECORDS:** IC (2-4, 1-1 MSC West), WA 4-2 (0-2)
- **OUTLOOK:** The Knights enter this must-win game licking their wounds, both figuratively and literally, after a 26-7 loss against Riverside Brookfield. Meanwhile, the Warriors have lost two in a row since starting the season 4-0. The Warriors lost to RB 45-21 and Glenbard South 36-7 in conference play.

Offseason work leads to on-field results for AT

By DAN SANTAROMITA

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ADDISON – After a disappointing 2-7 season, the second in a row, Addison Trail had its first day of morning weight lifting Dec. 6, 2013.

The time the Blazers have put in since then to become a better team all led to a 40-14 win at Morton on Oct. 3. The win by itself wasn't monumental, but it gave AT its sixth win of the season and with that a spot in the playoffs.

"I remember waking up Dec. 6, which was our first day of morning lifts," senior lineman Tyler Schroeder-Zelek said. "That was just hard work throughout the whole offseason. We put in the work all of summer camp in doubles and now it's finally paying off after two seasons going 2-7. It definitely feels good."

Week 7 matchup

- **WHO:** Proviso East at AT
- **WHEN:** 7:30 p.m. today
- **WHERE:** 213 N. Lombard Ave., Addison
- **RECORDS:** Addison Trail 6-0 (4-0 WSG), Proviso East 1-5 (0-3)
- **OUTLOOK:** After clinching a playoff spot, the Blazers are playing for the conference title and playoff seeding. Proviso East has dropped five games in a row since beating Maine West in its opener.

At 6-0, there is still plenty ahead for the Blazers, like finishing out the West Suburban Gold title and ensuring they host a first round playoff game, but clinching a playoff berth is a significant milestone. The

Blazers last won the conference in 2011, but went 2-7 in the two years that followed.

Entering the 2013 season there was some optimism around the talented players joining the squad. Mike Rybarczyk, Jaavion Bradley, Jake Atiyeh, Eric Gilliam, Matt Gontarek and Schroeder-Zelek, among others, showed potential last year, but lacked consistency. This fall the Blazers have been nothing if not consistent.

"I know last year we came in thinking we would have potential, but this year we definitely came in with our minds level," Schroeder-Zelek said. "We didn't think of anything. We just wanted to go 1-0 Week 1 and then 1-0 Week 2."

Against Morton, the Blazers didn't score until the second quarter then found a rhythm on offense. AT scored 34 points in the second quarter and led

40-0 late in the third before the Mustangs got two late scores.

Rybarczyk had touchdown runs of 19 and 38 yards to open the scoring. Larry Thomas scored on a 1-yard run and Mike Hundley had a 34-yard score. Rybarczyk then hit Atiyeh for a 32-yard touchdown and connected with Bradley for a 13-yard score.

"Everything is going according to plan because with me, I knew I was going to end up starting this year and I knew I was going to play a big role this year," junior running back Malik Pierre-Louis said. "I was pretty sure it was going to be a very successful year."

After hosting Proviso East on Friday, where a win would guarantee at least a share of the conference title, the Blazers travel to Glenbard West in a WSC crossover and host Willowbrook in the regular season finale.



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Addison Trail's Mike Rybarczyk throws the ball Sept. 26 during a home game against Hinsdale South. An offseason of hard work has helped the Blazers to a 6-0 record this season.

GOLF ROUNDUP

York boys, quintet of girls head to sectional golf tournaments

SUBURBAN LIFE MEDIA

The postseason for boys and girls golf got started earlier this week. Boys regionals were Tuesday, the girls hit the tees Wednesday and sectional tournaments for both will be Monday. Here's how area teams fared in the regionals:

BOYS GOLF York

Jordan Less (77) and Will Gunst (79) both shot under 80 to lead the Dukes to a third-place finish at the Wheaton North regional at the Village Links of Glen Ellyn. Sophomores Tom Manning (84) and Mitchell Russell (85) also contributed to York's 325 team total. York advances to the sectional Monday at Prairie Bluff Golf Course in Lockport.

Addison Trail

Three seniors advanced individually from the Wheaton North regional. Nick Sammarco (83), Zack Vaca (86) and Tom Stuhr (86) all qualified for Monday's sectional. AT shot a 346 as a team to place seventh out of nine teams.

IC Catholic

Freshman Cannon Leahy shot an 81 to lead the Knights to a third-place finish in their own Class 1A regional at Maple Meadows in Wood Dale. Sophomore Trey Morris was right behind with an 82. Both golfers finished in the top 10.

Stone Brinkman shot an 84, and Anthony Clementi shot a 92 to also contribute to IC's 335 team score.

IC advanced to Monday's sectional at Nettle Creek Golf Course in Morris.

Timothy Christian

Noah Pavlakos shot an 83 and Ryan Radandt had an 86 round to advance out of the Class 2A Montini regional at the Links at Carillon in Plainfield. Both will compete at Monday's sectional at Broken Arrow Golf Course in Lockport.

The Trojans were sixth out of 10 teams with a team score of 343.



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York's Megan Backman chips onto the green during her round at Wednesday's girls golf regional at Glendale Lakes. Backman was one of five Dukes to move on to the sectional tournament.

GIRLS GOLF York

Five Dukes qualified out of the Class AA Glenbard West regional at Glendale Lakes Golf Course, but York just missed out on advancing as a team.

Junior Megan Backman shot an 86, tying for eighth at the regional, to advance. Danielle Sika (88), Elise Rantis (92), Ellen Foley (95) and Breanna Failla (95) also advanced from the regional as individuals.

York was fourth out of eight teams with a 361 team score, finishing three shots behind Glenbard East for the third and final team spot at

the sectional.

Addison Trail

The Blazers totaled a 498 and were eighth at the Glenbard West regional.

IC Catholic

Sophomore Maddie Hurt shot an 83 at the Class A Wheaton Academy regional at Pheasant Run Golf Course in St. Charles. Her round was the second best at the regional and qualified her for the sectional.

Timothy Christian

Senior Peyton Pinkerton advanced out of the Wheaton Academy regional with a 98 round.

PREP ROUNDUP

York boys soccer takes care of Glenbard W. in penalty kicks

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York's boys soccer team needed to go to penalty kicks at Glenbard West on Tuesday, but came away with the victory. The West Suburban Silver match was tied 1-1 going into the shootout, which York won 4-3.

BOYS SOCCER Timothy Christian

The Trojans wrapped up the Metro Suburban East title with a 7-0 win Tuesday against Guerin. TC finished 4-1 in conference play and is 13-3-1 overall. The Trojans also beat Riverside Brookfield 4-2 Oct. 3 in a Metro Suburban crossover match.

Class 1A regionals begin next week. The Trojans are the No. 1 seed and host their own regional. They open the postseason at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday against the winner of Marine Military Academy and Ogden International.

Addison Trail

After losing 1-0 to Morton on Oct. 2, the Blazers also fell to Willowbrook 2-1 Tuesday.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL IC Catholic

The Knights won a Metro Suburban crossover match 25-20, 18-25, 25-19 against St. Edward on Tuesday. Tess Reardon had 14 assists and 12 digs. Hannah Hartnett led the attack with 15 kills and had eight digs. Frannie Cervone had 17 assists.

Timothy Christian

The Trojans throttled Elmwood Park 25-6, 25-10 Tuesday.

Addison Trail

Leysten beat the Blazers 25-23, 25-20 on Tuesday.

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY York

The Dukes headed to Detweiler Park for the Peoria Central Invitational and Miles Schacht was the team's top runner. Schacht placed 44th. Creighton Wolff (59th) and Tom Devereux (68th) finished behind him. York was 10th out of 50 teams.

Timothy Christian

Freshman William Terps-

tra led the Trojans with a 31st-place finish Saturday at the Lisle Mane Event. Sophomore Jordan Scheidler was three spots behind him and Timothy was ninth out of 13 teams.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY York

The Dukes took eighth out of 27 teams at the Wheaton North Falcon Classic. Freshmen Emily Siegenthaler and Erin Davies and junior Erin Muckian placed inside the top 10 of their flights.

Timothy Christian

Hannah Bosman was 25th and Nicole Terpstra was 56th at the Lisle Mane Event. TC placed 12th out of 19 teams.

GIRLS TENNIS York

York lost 6-3 Monday against Lake. Angela Avgerinos and Maja Shaw picked up victories at the top two singles spots. The Dukes recovered by beating Benet 7-2 Tuesday. Avgerinos, Sarah Paist and Caroline Elsey picked up wins in singles.

IC Catholic

Riverside Brookfield swept the Knights 5-0 Monday in a Metro Suburban West match.

GIRLS SWIMMING York

The Dukes were second out of eight teams at the Downers Grove South Invite during the weekend. Paula Nolte was second in the 100-yard breaststroke and Jessica Woolfe was third in the 100-yard backstroke. The 200 freestyle relay took second and the 200 medley relay and 400 freestyle relay were third.

Addison Trail/Willowbrook

The co-op was seventh out of 11 teams at the Hersey Invite. The relay team of Molly Hill, Gabriella Morrone, Meghan Koterba and Kelly McNamara was second in both the 200-yard medley relay and the 200-yard freestyle relay. McNamara won the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 57.66 seconds and won the 100 freestyle in 55.64 seconds.