

## NEWS FROM THE VILLAGE...

### Village to host Home Improvement Expo

ADDISON — In an effort to encourage residents to shop locally, on the Saturdays of February 7 and February 14, the Village of Addison will be hosting a Home Improvement Expo at Village Hall, One Friendship Plaza, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Admission is free and food will be available for purchase from Muggs 'n Manor.

Businesses scheduled to participate include Cabinet Design & Sales, CRC Concrete Raising & Repair, Creative Mirror & Shower, European Ornamental Iron, Inspired Windows, Len's Ace Hardware, ReStore, Sproveri's Countertops, and Thomas Tile and Carpet Supply. In addition, home safety and building permit information will be available.

For more information, visit [ItHappensInAddison.com](http://ItHappensInAddison.com) or call 630-693-7551. (No Village endorsement is implied for any of the participating businesses.)

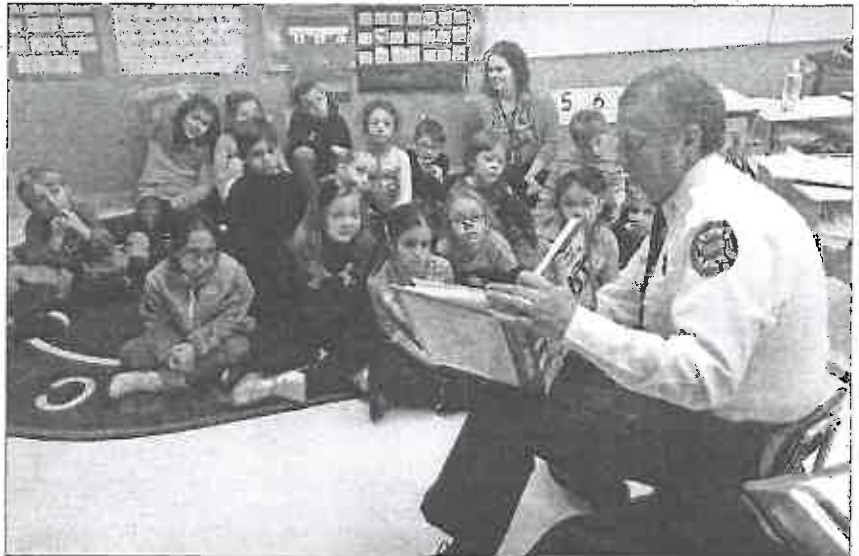
### Holiday light recycling still available

Don't throw away those broken strings of lights! The Village of Addison has partnered with USMe to provide a drop box for recycling holiday lights. The box is located at the Addison Recycling Center, 711 N. Addison Road, and is available now through Feb. 27, 2015.

Lights that will be accepted include: Mini Lights (or Italian lights), C7 lights, C9 lights, rope lights, LED lights, extension cords, etc. All colors and lengths will be accepted. Garland, live greens, wreaths, or other non-recyclables are not accepted in this program.

The Center is open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday. It is closed on Sundays and holidays.

For more information, call (630) 279-2140.



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### Fire Chief reads to first graders at Stone

You can see the excitement in the eyes of these first graders as they listen to Fire Chief Don Markowski read them a story as one of the invited "Community Readers," who came to Stone School last week. Joining him was Fire Deputy Chief Joe Leone who read to third graders in Mrs. Carrigan's class. More photos inside this issue.



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District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton (left) and District 88 Board of Education President Donna Craft Cain (right) chat with Addison Mayor Rich Veenstra during the 8th Annual Shape of Addison Town Hall Meeting. The meeting took place on Jan. 28 and provided an opportunity for local agencies to share news with and answer questions from residents.

### District 88 takes part in 'Shape of Addison' town hall meeting

ADDISON — On Jan. 28, District 88 participated in the 8th Annual Shape of Addison Town Hall Meeting, where board presidents and administrators from the Village of Addison, the Addison Public Library, the Addison Park District, the Addison Fire Protection District, Addison Elementary School District 4 and District 88 shared with residents an update with regard to what's going on in the community.

District 88 Board of Education President Donna Craft Cain spoke on behalf of the district, and she and District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Hel-

ton were available to answer questions from community members.

"The Shape of Addison is a great way for us to continue our focus on transparency and to thank the community for their support of District 88," Helton said. "We know we're successful as a district because of the relationships we have with the groups represented at this event, as well as all of our stakeholders, and we look forward to next year's Shape of Addison."

To see the meeting online, visit [tinyurl.com/mog83jq](http://tinyurl.com/mog83jq) and click on "Town Hall Forums."

### ATHS holds send-off for ILMEA participants

ADDISON — On Jan. 28, Addison Trail hosted a State sendoff for juniors Lia Caruso and Daniel Nowosad, who participated in the Illinois Music Education Conference held at the Peoria Civic Center last weekend.

Caruso applied for the conference's Future Music Educators Symposium and was one of 50 students throughout Illinois selected to participate. The symposium is meant for students who plan to pursue a career in music education.

Nowosad was selected to audition for the Illinois Music Education Association (ILMEA) All-State Orchestra. Only four tuba players throughout Illinois were invited to audition, and Nowosad was named as the top tuba player on Jan. 29.

Both students also will perform with the Youth Jazz Ensemble of DuPage, a jazz ensemble of high school musicians. Other Addison Trail students who will perform in that group are sophomore Zachery Michaliska, sophomore Trevor Yurek, sophomore Ryan Cabildo, senior Jeff Magninity and sophomore Rachel Mackey.



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Pictured are Addison Trail juniors Lia Caruso and Daniel Nowosad, who participated in the Illinois Music Education Conference held last weekend at the Peoria Civic Center.

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sharing," STC programs allow employers facing economic difficulty to reduce work hours for a group of employees as an alternative to layoffs. Workers with reduced hours can supplement their lowered wages with a percentage of the weekly unemployment compensation that would have been available to them had they been laid off entirely.

STC allows employees keep

their jobs — and benefits such as employer-based retirement and health insurance — and helps employers keep skilled workers and avoid the costs of hiring and training new workers when business recovers. The program also eases the strain on local economies, which acutely suffer when layoffs occur.

For more information, visit [stc.workforce3one.org](http://stc.workforce3one.org).



## Eric Gilliam named 88's Best for January

ADDISON — Eric Gilliam has been named as Addison Trail's January recipient of 88's Best recognition for his academic achievements. Gilliam, a senior, was recognized during the Jan. 26 District 88 Board of Education meeting.

Ranked in the top 1 percent of his graduating class, Gilliam's outstanding performance in the classroom has earned him a place on the Distinction Honor Roll all four years of his high school career. He has also earned two AT's Best awards and acknowledgment as an AP Scholar with Distinction and an Illinois State Scholar. His academic accomplishments were achieved while taking the most rigorous courses offered at Addison Trail. When he graduates, Gilliam will have taken 12 Advanced Placement (AP)/college-level courses and 11 honors courses.

As a young student, Gilliam said his parents set high expectations for him. As he got older, the motivation came from within. Gilliam knew his grades in high school would be part of his permanent transcript for all to see. His internal motivation also was inspired by his competitive nature. His desire to be the best in the athletic arena transferred to the classroom as well. He looked at every class as a competition, and he always wanted to have the highest grade in the class.

"Gilliam was a dream to teach, demonstrating his intellectual gifts on a daily basis," said Laura Magnavite, social studies teacher. "He was a star in our class activities and simulations, in which he took on a variety of roles. His passion for learning and enthusi-



Pictured here with Addison Trail Principal Adam Cibulka is senior Eric Gilliam, who has been named as Addison Trail's January recipient of 88's Best recognition.

asm were infectious and, as a result, Gilliam helped to raise the level of his peers' work and also inspired me to push the class further."

Equally as impressive are his extracurricular accomplishments. He is Letterman Club President, Class of 2015 Vice President, former Student Council Philanthropist and a Student Advisory Board member. Gilliam also has participated in Spanish Club, Psychology Club, Math Team, Business Professionals of America, Student Ambassadors, Key Club, Homecoming Committee and Prom Committee.

More than just a club member, Gilliam thrives in being a leader and nowhere is it more evident than in athletics. A three-sport athlete in football, wrestling and baseball, he was Captain of the football

team this fall and is extremely proud to have helped lead the team to its first-ever 7-0 start to the season. He also was recognized as All-Conference in 2013 and 2014 and was named to the DuPage County All-Area Team and as West Suburban Conference Gold Division Defensive Player of the Year. This winter, Gilliam has chosen to try something new by moving from basketball to wrestling. He will wrap up his high school athletic career as Captain of the baseball team.

Gilliam is still deciding which college he will attend, but he is focused on studying finance or economics. He has been accepted to The University of Chicago and University of Notre Dame and is waiting to hear back from Princeton University, Harvard University, Stanford University and University of Pennsylvania.



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Top left: Pictured are (from left) District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton, Addison Mayor Rich Veenstra, Illinois Lieutenant Governor Evelyn Sanguinetti and Addison Trail Principal Adam Cibulka. On Jan. 29, they led a meeting with community members, church leaders and parents from Addison Trail's Los Padres en Acción group to discuss ways to continue to improve the Village of Addison.

Top right: Addison Trail students, who are members of the school's Interact Club, offer assistance during the meeting. They are (back row, from left) senior Darien Torres, senior Edgar Flores, (front row, from left) senior Elizabeth Martinez, senior Jasmin Lopez, sophomore Carolina Herrera and sophomore Enedina Rodriguez.

Above left: Sanguinetti speaks to the crowd during the meeting.

Above right: Addison Trail parent Laura Herrera participates in the meeting.

## AT, Village welcome Los Padres en Acción group

### Participants gather to discuss how to better the community

ADDISON — On Jan. 29, nearly 50 community members, church leaders and parents from Addison Trail's Los Padres en Acción group came together to discuss ways to continue to improve the Village of Addison.

They met at Addison Trail to enjoy a dinner donated by local restaurants and to discuss the challenges and strengths of the community. Addison Mayor Rich Veenstra greeted the crowd and said the goal of the evening was for the participants to discover how much

they have in common and how that is what will help Addison move forward and be successful as a village.

District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton and Addison Trail Principal Adam Cibulka guided the conversation by asking questions to gather feedback from the audience. Illinois Lieutenant Governor Evelyn Sanguinetti also spoke with those who attended the event and addressed the crowd.

"At District 88, our mission is to work for the continuous improvement of student achievement," Helton said. "It is through collaborating with our stakeholders at events like this that we will accomplish that mission."



# Addison Trail boys basketball team picks up two wins

## Blazers move to 14-5 overall on season

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

The Addison Trail boys basketball team picked up a pair of recent wins against Downers Grove South and Chicago Lakeview.

In a recent 53-51 overtime West Suburban Conference Gold Division win over Downers Grove South, Taylor White had 12 points, while Matt Gontarek and Dante Frontier each added 10 points.

Downers Grove South took its first lead of the game at 51-50 with 12 seconds left to go in overtime. Addison Trail called timeout and drew up a

play designed to go to Jaavion Bradley.

"Jaavion went coast to coast and ended up with a three-point play with four seconds left," said Addison Trail coach Brendan Lyons.

Lyons lauded the team's defensive efforts through the first three quarters of the game.

"We played great defense for the first three quarters," said Lyons. "We led 29-17 going into the fourth quarter and then allowed 26 points in the fourth quarter. The fourth quarter was tough, but overall it was a good defensive effort."

The Blazers also dropped a 76-73 overtime WSC Gold game to District 88 neighbor Willowbrook.

Addison Trail had five players hit double digits in scor-

ing, led by White who had 21 points.

Eric Grygo, Bradley, Matt Gontarek and Ryan Zygowicz each had 10 points.

White hit a 3-pointer with six seconds left in regulation to tie the game.

"We were up by four points early in the overtime," said Lyons. "We couldn't contain Alonzo Verge Jr. (Willowbrook sophomore). He had 44 against us. He is very good and he's only a sophomore, which is the scary part. We didn't do a good job defensively. We had some chances in overtime to build the lead and didn't. We also turned the ball over 24 times. That's too many turnovers."

After playing a game against Willowbrook that went into overtime and lasted into the

10 p.m. hour, the Blazers came back the next day to score a 55-34 non-conference win over Chicago Lakeview.

Zach Novak came off the bench to lead the Blazers in scoring with 14 points.

"Zach gave us a good spark," said Lyons.

Addison Trail also took six charges in the game. "That was good to see," said Lyons. "We played good defense."

Lyons was impressed with how his team responded coming off the tough Willowbrook loss.

"It was a nice bounce-back game," he said. "We knew we would be tired. Our game against Willowbrook went until 10:15 p.m. and we played overtime and then came back and had a JV game in the morning.

This was a survival game for us and we did well. We were up 21-7 at halftime."

Addison Trail moved to 14-5 overall with the win. The Blazers are 4-3 in conference play.

"Our guys compete hard and they play hard. You never have to question effort," said Lyons. "Now we're starting to play teams that we've played before. We have to take better care of the ball and get back to playing the defense that won us a lot of games early on in the season. We can't let teams get to 60 and 70 points and we can't turn the ball over 15-plus times. If we can make the improvements and keep playing the defense we are capable of, we'll be fine."

# Addison Trail wrestling team wins West Suburban Gold

## Metallo breaks 100 career win barrier

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

Make it three in a row for the Addison Trail wrestling team.

The Blazers scored a recent 33-15 win over Morton to secure the West Suburban Conference Gold Division championship. Addison Trail will share the title with Downers Grove South. Both teams finished 5-1 in conference play. However, Addison Trail beat Downers Grove South in the head-to-head matchup.

Addison Trail now has won three conference titles in a row.

The Blazers capped the regular season by going 2-1 in a quadrangular with Burlington Central, Glenbard East and Geneva. The Blazers finished the regular season with a 17-5 overall record.

Addison Trail defeated Burlington Central 48-23 and downed Geneva 50-21, but lost to Glenbard East 43-24.

"It wasn't a very good performance for us against Glenbard East," said Addison Trail coach Rob Serio.

Still, the Blazers have enjoyed another highly successful regular season with the 17 wins and the conference title to its credit.

"The kids are practicing very hard," said Serio. "Our conditioning is great. We're beating other teams with conditioning. We're still going later in the matches."

Addison Trail also has nine wrestlers who will bring 20-win seasons into the IHSA postseason next weekend.

"We have some good depth," said Serio. "The kids are doing their jobs."

Serio had an inkling at the beginning of the season that further success was possible.

"At the end of last season I said we can win the conference again," he said. "But the dual meets will be 29-28 or 31-30. Everything would be close, but I thought these kids could do it. It happened. It's really crazy. We stayed healthy and nothing fell apart. We meshed together and these guys did exactly what I thought would happen. That's what most coaches impress me with. We didn't know what their job was at the meet and every kid did their job. It was one of those things where everything fell into place."

Senior Anthony Metallo will bring a 31-4 record into the regional Saturday. He's helped the team at 145 and 152 pounds this season.

"Anthony Metallo has been on fire lately," said Serio. "He's wrestled very well. He's wrestled at 145 or 152. He does what we ask of him for the team. He's been great all year."

Metallo went over the 100-win barrier for his career in a recent match.

"That's probably the third kid to do that since I was coaching," said Serio. "That's a big accomplishment. Not too many kids can start when they are freshmen. Anthony walked right in here and started."

Serio also cited recent strong wrestling from 126-pounder Jaime Valdez, senior 113-pounder Mike Huynh, heavyweight Karim Fuentes, 170-pounder Larry Thomas and 160-pounder Brandon Webb.

"Jaime has been doing a great job and Mike has been awesome as well," said Serio. "Karim is doing well and Larry Thomas has really been coming on strong toward the end here. Brandon Webb is doing a great job, too."

Valdez and Fuentes each finished the regular season with 29-7 records. Huynh finished

27-6. Thomas ended the regular season at 22-13, while Jorge Arellano (138 pounds) was 21-13 and Justin Valentin (120 pounds) was 21-14. Webb was 20-10, while senior Eddie Valdez was 20-12. Sophomore Billy Hawkins was 16-7 at 106.

"In going through the records you don't usually see a team with nine guys who have 20

or more wins," said Serio. "I guess everything with this team makes sense now."

Addison Trail competes in the Class 3A Leyden regional Saturday.

"It's a very tough regional, but I think we can get some guys out," said Serio. "We're going to focus this week on working hard and staying healthy."

## Verge Jr. keys Willowbrook cagers winning streak

### Sophomore sets single-game scoring record in victory over Montini

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

The Willowbrook boys basketball team is on fire.

And so is sophomore Alonzo Verge Jr. The Warriors recently went to District 88 neighbor Addison Trail and scored a three-point overtime victory to extend its winning streak to nine games in a row.

Since playing in the Sterling tournament, the Warriors defeated Leyden in overtime, downed Proviso East and then scored the win over Addison Trail.

"We've been playing well," said Willowbrook coach Chris Perkins.

Verge Jr., who established a new school single-game scoring record with 45 points in a game earlier this year against Montini, struck for 44 points against Addison Trail. He also had 35 points against Proviso East and 25 points against Leyden.

"Alonzo carried us against Addison Trail," said Perkins. "He's been on a tear. He's creating out there. He's a special kind of player. He's making plays for us. He fills what the team needs and he tries to contribute like that."

Perkins added the team has seen an uptick with its defensive play of late. "Our defense is getting us some easy baskets," he said. "We're creating turnovers and getting into the open court."

"He's been on a tear. He's making plays for us. He fills what the team needs and he tries to contribute like that."

— Willowbrook coach Chris Perkins

Verge Jr.'s play has made other teams take notice.

"Other teams' defenses are gearing up and trying to take him out of his game," said Perkins. "That's opened up the floor for other players to find a rhythm. We're able to get some easy looks. Every team is keying on him. We've seen every kind of look they can throw at him."

Perkins added Jake Bruns, Kyle Rushing, Chris Roycroft and Michah Williams have been playing at high levels.

"Those guys and Alonzo have really been spearheading a lot of our success," he said.

Willowbrook improved to 15-6 overall and 4-3 in West Suburban Conference Gold Division play after the Addison Trail win.

"We still have a month to go before the playoffs, but we are playing better," said Perkins. "There still is a lot of room for improvement. We can get even better and get more consistent."

Willowbrook played Hoffman Estates Tuesday in a non-conference game and will host Morton in WSC Gold action Friday on Hall of Fame night.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

F12120502  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE  
18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
DUPAGE COUNTY -  
WHEATON, ILLINOIS  
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Sandra Falco; Michael Falco; Unknown  
Owners and Non-Record Claimants  
Defendants.

13 CH 281  
Property Address: 720 North Lombard  
Road, Addison, Illinois 60101  
NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a judgment of said Court entered in the above-entitled cause on November 21, 2013, I, Sheriff, John E. Zaruba of DuPage County, Illinois, will hold a sale on February 26, 2015, commencing at 10AM, at the DuPage County Sheriff's Office, 501 North County Farm Road, Wheaton, IL 60187, to sell to the highest bidder or bidders the following described real estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said decree, to-wit:

LOT 2 IN FOURTH ADDITION TO GREEN RIDGE, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 11, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED MAY 3, 1971 AS DOCUMENT R71-18410, IN DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as: 720 North Lombard Road, Addison, Illinois 60101  
E.I.N.: 03-19-401-009

First Lien Position; Single-Family Residence; Judgment Amount \$257,904.27

IN ACCORDANCE WITH 735 ILCS 5/15-1507(c)(1)(H-1) AND (H-2), 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(3), AND 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1), YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THE PURCHASER OF THE PROPERTY, OTHER THAN A MORTGAGEE, SHALL PAY THE ASSESSMENTS AND LEGAL FEES REQUIRED BY SUBSECTIONS (g)(1) AND (g)(4) OF SECTION 9 AND THE ASSESSMENTS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (g-1) OF SECTION 18.5 OF THE ILLINOIS CONDOMINIUM PROPERTY ACT.

The property will not be open for inspection.

Terms of Sale: CASH - 10% down at the time of sale and the balance due within 24 hours of the sale. All payments for the amount bid shall be in certified funds payable to the Sheriff of DuPage County.

The person to contact for information regarding this property is:

Steven J. Lindberg at FREEDMAN ANSELMO LINDBERG LLC 1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120, Naperville, IL 60563 (866)402-8661. For bidding instructions, visit [www.fal-illinois.com](http://www.fal-illinois.com) 24 hours prior to sale.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE  
18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
DUPAGE COUNTY -  
WHEATON, ILLINOIS  
FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE  
ASSOCIATION  
PLAINTIFF  
VS.

CALOGERO GAZZANO; ISABELLA  
GAZZANO; HARRIS EXTERIORS INC.,  
DEFENDANTS

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1333 NORTH TALLY HO DRIVE  
ADDISON, IL 60101

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO  
JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE  
UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE  
FORECLOSURE ACT

\*\*\*THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT ON A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE\*\*\* PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by said Court in the above entitled cause on December 16, 2014, DUPAGE COUNTY SHERIFF in DU PAGE County, Illinois, will on March 17, 2015, in 501 North County Farm Road, Wheaton, IL 60187, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of DU PAGE, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

LOT 56 IN CARON'S FOXDALE OF ADDISON PHASE II, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 11, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED SEPTEMBER 8, 1983 AS DOCUMENT R83-63789, IN DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

TAX NO. 03-18-404-015 COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1333 NORTH TALLY HO DRIVE ADDISON, IL 60101 Description of Improvements: 2 STORY HOME WITH ATTACHED GARAGE The Judgment amount was \$429,549.86. Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 25% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For Information: Visit our website at <http://uservice.atty-pierce.com>. Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - Pierce & Associates, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 North Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois 60602. Tel. No. (312) 372-2060. Please refer to file #PA1102989

Plaintiff's notice is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

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Cheers fill Addison Trail's auditorium as those in attendance show their support for Dobrosavljevic.

## AT alum wins big at weight loss effort

ADDISON — Addison Trail announced last week that alumnus Toma Dobrosavljevic (class of 1999) is this season's winner of "The Biggest Loser," NBC's competitive weight-loss

TV show. Dobrosavljevic was announced as the winner during the show's season finale on Jan. 29. When the season premiered on Sept. 11, he weighed

336 pounds. According to Us Weekly, he has dropped 171 pounds and now weighs 165 pounds.

**Dobrosavljevic named 'The Biggest Loser' on NBC television show**



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Addison Trail alumnus Toma Dobrosavljevic (class of 1999) has been named as this season's winner of "The Biggest Loser," NBC's competitive weight-loss TV show. Earlier in the season, about 100 family members, friends and fans of Dobrosavljevic gathered at Addison Trail to watch him compete. Dobrosavljevic's girlfriend, Jamie McGowan (left), and his sister Marija Mihajlovic show their support.



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Supporters sign a poster for Dobrosavljevic.

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# Injuries taking toll on Willowbrook girls basketball team

**Leading scorer Zabran sidelined; Warriors defeat Addison Trail**

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

The Willowbrook girls basketball team is feeling the effects of a recent rash of injuries.

The Warriors have been playing shorthanded after injuries to Josie Zabran, Alyssa Ressinger and key bench player Alyssa Spada. Zabran, the team's leading scorer and rebounder, has been sidelined since suffering a head injury against Proviso East, while Ressinger and Spada both have knee injuries, coach Terry Harrell said.

"We've had a lot of injuries," he said. "It's been rough. We're a little shorthanded right now and we've had to adjust our lineup to going with one forward and four guards. We're trying to run a little different system. If we had opened the year running something of this nature we would be fine, but it's a big adjustment and we're still working on it."

Willowbrook (10-15 overall) scored a recent seven-point win over District 88 neighbor Addison Trail.

"We were up by 20 points at one point," said Harrell. "We only have seven girls left in the rotation. We were kind of getting tired at the end."

In earlier action, the Warriors lost 50-34 to Hinsdale South in West Suburban Conference Silver Division play and suffered

a 42-35 non-conference loss to Glenbard East. Both Zabran and Ressinger were injured in a conference loss to Proviso East.

"That game went from being one where it was difficult to matchup with a team like that to our worst loss of the season," said Harrell. "It's been kind of a tumultuous time. It hasn't been a good month."

Michala Giammarrino had 16 points in the win over Addison Trail.

"Michala stepped up for us against Addison Trail," said Harrell.

Sam Schmidt had 12 points, seven rebounds, three blocks and two steals.

In a 42-36 loss to Glenbard East, Willowbrook trailed 18-13 at halftime and 33-29 heading into the fourth quarter.

Cheyenne Brunig led the Warriors with 12 points and three steals. Ressinger had nine points and nine rebounds. Schmidt had three assists.

In a 50-34 WSC Gold loss to Hinsdale South, Willowbrook trailed 12-8 after the first quarter and 22-13 at halftime.

Schmidt had eight points and seven rebounds. Breonna Brown and Keisee McGowan each scored seven points. Kalya Konrath had six rebounds. Giammarrino added three assists, three steals and four points.

The win over Addison Trail put Willowbrook at 6-5 in conference play. Willowbrook closes out conference play Friday at Morton.

"The girls have bonded together and are playing hard," said Harrell.

# Fenton wrestlers win Metro Suburban Conference tournament

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

The Fenton wrestling team continued its strong season by winning the Metro Suburban Conference title in convincing fashion.

Fenton finished first with 279 points. Riverside-Brookfield was second with 196 points, while Walther Christian took third with 177 points.

Individual MSC champions for Fenton were Corey Muniz (106 pounds), Antoine Bess (120), Ryan Mencini (126), Angel Nava (138), Grayson Kaspar (152) and Juan Alfaro (182).

MSC runners-up for the Bison were Oscar Ledezma (145), Joe Oweina (160), Dylan Butts (170) and Isaiah Brock (285).

Ivan Rodriguez (195) and Rodrigo Castaneda (220) took third. Dominik Roztocki (132) took fourth and Manny Morales (113) placed fifth.

"Overall, I was really pleased that we had solid contributions from all 14 wrestlers," said Fenton coach Brian Hastings. "We have to continue to work on scoring points and keeping pressure on our opponents."

In other recent action, Fenton scored a 52-15 win over Elmwood Park. Morales (120), Ledezma (145) and Nikko Castaneda (160) were among the winners for the Bison.

Fenton also recorded an 84-0 win over IC Catholic Prep. Muniz (106), Nava (138), Ledezma (145), Kaspar (152), Oweina (160), Butts (170), Alfaro (182) and Brock (285) each had pinfall victories.

The two wins pushed Fenton's dual meet mark to 16-4 overall.

**Addison Trail girls gymnastics**

The Addison Trail girls gymnastics team recently earned its highest score of the season, a 133.25 at the Neuqua Valley invitational.

At Neuqua Valley, Casey Boksha took second on floor with a 9.3 and Kennedy O'Neill placed fifth on floor with a 9.05. O'Neill also was third on beam with a 9.4 and third in the all-around scoring with a 36.30.

"Our team has become very strong on floor and beam," said Addison Trail coach Brandi Kisse. "We have been focusing on vault and bars the last two weeks. They are doing a great job of staying focused and trying to work some new skills to show at regionals."

Kisse said the team continues to work hard in practice. "The team's dedication right now is amazing," she said. "They work the entire two-and-a-half to three hours of practice and rarely, if

ever, miss a practice. They know it is crunch time with the big meets coming up and they are working hard for it."

Freshman Sydney Zaprzal has been a recent bright spot for the Blazers. "Sydney is a freshman on the team this year who was forced to take a couple years off because of an injury," said Kisse. "It's been a slow recovery on certain events for her, but every day she improves on something. She is getting her

strength and confidence back and it is showing in her routines and her attitude during practices. I am very excited for what the rest of her high school career will bring her."

Addison Trail competed in the Geneva regional earlier this week.

"We are hoping to advance a few girls to sectionals and then see where that takes us toward the end of the season," said Kisse.

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"THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT ON A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE" PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by said Court in the above entitled cause on December 18, 2014, DUPAGE COUNTY SHERIFF IN DU PAGE COUNTY, Illinois, will on March 17, 2015, in 501 North County Farm Road, Wheaton, IL 60187, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of DU PAGE, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

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## Senate approves raising minimum wage

**Illinois families  
can't afford  
Rauner's 'baby  
steps,' one  
senator says**

SPRINGFIELD — Since Jan. 1, nine states have increased their minimum wage and last week, a plan to raise the minimum wage in Illinois to \$9 per hour on July 1 passed the Senate. The legislation would raise the minimum wage incrementally by 50 cents a year until 2019, ultimately leading to a new minimum wage of \$11 per hour.

"We are answering to the will of the people through the passage of this legislation," said Assistant Majority Leader Kimberly A. Lightford (D-Maywood), the sponsor of the newly passed legislation and a strong supporter of raising the minimum wage. "The minimum wage should be a living wage. If you work full-time, you shouldn't have to rely on government support to put food on your family's table or a roof over your head."

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### Wienermobile comes to town!

Addison Trail alumna Alex Longo (class of 2010) shows the Oscar Mayer Wienermobile to District 88 students and administrators on Jan. 23. Pictured are (from left): Longo's coworker Joe Zerka, Miguel Andrade, Giovanni Maderra, Faizan Khan, Cedrick Harris, Longo, John Orrico and District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton. Longo has been driving the Wienermobile since June and has driven about 27,000 miles, visiting 21 states. Full story and another photo inside this issue.

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# Oscar Mayer Wienermobile comes to Addison

**AT alumna drives 27,000 miles, sees 21 states in giant hot dog vehicle**

ADDISON — After completing college, a checklist item for many graduates is to travel and see new places.

Addison Trail alumna Alex Longo is living that dream — and she is traveling in style. Since June 2014, Longo has been driving a 27-foot-long Oscar Mayer Wienermobile.

"That's roughly the size of 60 hotdogs," she said with a laugh. "Everywhere I go, the hotdog mobile comes with me. If I want to go to a movie or buy toothpaste, that's the vehicle I take."

Longo graduated from Addison Trail in 2010 and attended University of Wisconsin-Madison, where she graduated in 2014 with a degree in communications and journalism. It was during her time in Wisconsin when a representative from Kraft Foods came to the campus to recruit students to join a promotional team that would travel the country in the Oscar Mayer Wienermobile for one year.



District 88 students, staff and administrators get an inside look at the Oscar Mayer Wienermobile on Jan. 23. Addison Trail alumna Alex Longo (class of 2010) has been driving the wienermobile since June. Pictured are (left row, front to back) Transition Program staff member Julie Mahnke, District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton, Faizan Khan, Giovanni Madera, (middle row, front to back) Longo, Cedrick Harris, John Orrico, Miguel Andrade, (right row, front to back) Transition Program staff member Sarah Kozin and Longo's co-worker Joe Zerk.

Only 12 students from throughout the U.S. are selected for that team each year, Longo said. After two weeks of training at "Hotdog High School," she hit the road on the east coast and now back home touring the west. "So far, I've driven about

27,000 miles and visited 21 states," she said.

Longo said her first reaction to the position was, "I didn't graduate from college to hand out hotdogs." But she quickly realized that's not what the program is about.

"It's about promoting the brand and connecting with people," Longo said. "I've had the most amazing experiences meeting new people and hearing about their memories of seeing the Oscar Mayer Wienermobile when they were younger. It's hard to describe what it's like to be doing something that makes people happy. We like to say we bring smiles for miles."

Longo travels with a coworker to parades, fairs, festivals, grocery stores and more. She said her favorite event so far was the Fourth of July parade in Philadelphia. After her time with Kraft Foods, Longo plans to pursue a career in public relations and would like to work for a nonprofit organization or an agency in Chicago.

"My comfort zone has expanded tremendously through this position," she said. "It's a tremendous opportunity to grow personally and professionally and it's an experience I will never forget."

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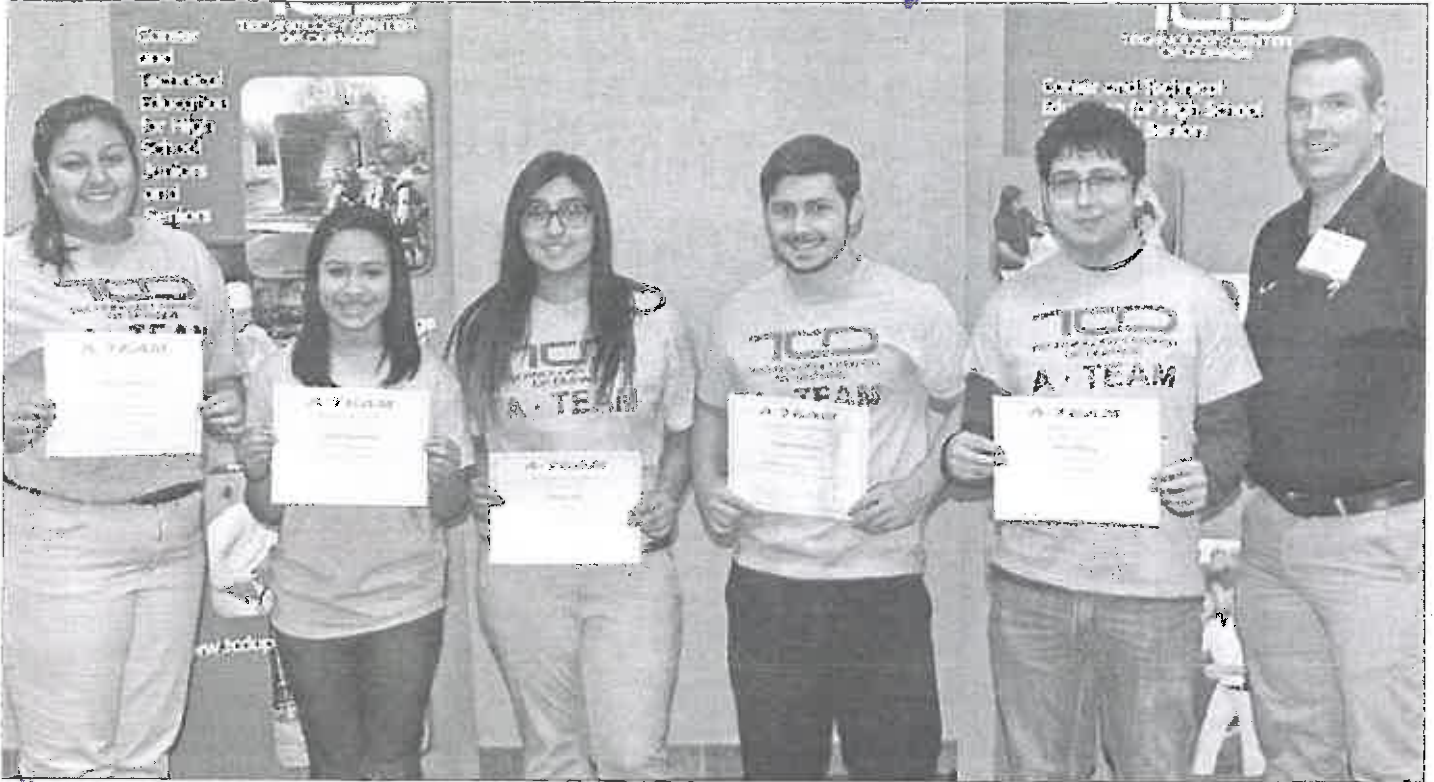
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### AT's Schlarb stand-out among A-Team members

Right: Addison Trail junior Danielle Schlarb is named to Technology Center of DuPage's A-Team during a ceremony on Feb. 6. She is pictured with Addison Trail Principal Adam Cibulka. Danielle and her fellow students were honored at a ceremony on Feb. 6.

Above: (From left) Addison Trail junior Allison Galvan, junior Alexa Enriquez, junior Kayla Paz, senior Robert Infusino and junior Eric Flores were named to Technology Center of DuPage's A-Team during a ceremony on Feb. 6. They are pictured here with Addison Trail Guidance Director Kevin Redding.

## County announces 2015 scholarship program

WHEATON — The DuPage County Department of Community Services is offering college and occupational training scholarships for low-income individuals with high academic potential.

The Community Services Block Grant scholarship supplements the cost of tuition, books, supplies and other school-related items for a semester or a quarter to offset the student's needs. This scholarship is funded and designed in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

Applicants are required to provide proof of DuPage County residency, gross household income for the past 90 days and information about members living in the household. Income for the household must be at or below 125 percent

of the federal poverty level. Applicants must also include a 500-word original essay or personal statement, official school transcripts, two letters of recommendation, a Financial Aid Audit (financial aid award letter) and proof of enrollment in an Illinois accredited institution.

Ten \$1,000 scholarships are available this year and special consideration is given to students interested in high technology fields or other occupations in emerging fields.

Applications are available at the DuPage County Department of Community Services Office, 421 N. County Farm Road, Wheaton, or online at [dupageco.org/CSBG/](http://dupageco.org/CSBG/). Completed applications and support documents must be received by 4:30 p.m. Friday, May 1, 2015.

For more information, call

(630) 407-6500, or call the toll free number at 800-942-9412. TTY access is available at (630) 407-6502.

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Illinois' current minimum wage is \$8.25 per hour. A single parent working a full-time minimum wage job qualifies for Food Stamps, Medicaid and, often, housing assistance. In addition, many minimum-wage workers are forced to work several part-time jobs to make ends meet.

On Wednesday, Gov. Bruce Rauner proposed raising Illinois' minimum wage to \$10 over the next seven years. Lightford claims that's "not good enough."

"Illinois families are struggling now," she said. "They can't afford Gov. Rauner's baby-step plan. I understand that some small businesses are struggling, too, which is why my plan does have a reasonable phase-in process."

The legislation also institutes a tax credit for

businesses with fewer than 50 employees that gives them three years to adjust to the higher wage.

Adjusting for inflation since the minimum wage was instituted in 1968 at \$1.60 per hour, the wage today should stand at more than \$10 per hour, some legislators say. Raising the minimum wage to \$11 per hour could increase annual wages to as much as \$22,880 per in 2019.

"Though it would still be a struggle, this wage would lift many families out of poverty and end their reliance on state and federal aid," said Lightford.

The legislation, Senate Bill 11 now goes to the House for consideration.





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## Marcus Theater represented at Five Star Expo

Assistant Manager Katie Kalbas and Regional Account Manager Jessica Sumner of Marcus Theater in front of the cinema's Five Star Expo booth on Friday, Feb. 6 at The Shrine Center.

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The Mar-Medina

## Reminder for District 88 stakeholders:

Illinois 5Essentials Survey now open

**ADDISON/VILLA PARK**  
— The District 88 administration wishes to remind its stakeholders that it's time to offer input by completing the Illinois 5Essentials Survey.

The survey is an opportunity for teachers, parents/guardians and students in grades 6-12 to weigh in on questions related to leadership, collaboration, family involvement, instruction and the school environment. At least 50 percent of students and teachers (and 20 percent of parents/guardians) at each school must fill out the survey to have enough data to generate a school-level report. Responses will be kept confidential and will not be linked to any individual.

The survey provides a comprehensive assessment of school organizational culture with reports to help focus school improvement in the following five areas or "essentials."

- Effective leaders
- Collaborative teachers
- Involved families
- Supportive environment
- Ambitious instruction

The survey is being conducted through March 13 and can be accessed at [survey.5-essentials.org/Illinois](http://survey.5-essentials.org/Illinois). For more information, contact 5Essentials Client Services at 1-866-440-1874 or [5essentials@uchicago.edu](mailto:5essentials@uchicago.edu).

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## Indian Trail teacher earns IEA grant

**Students will make blankets, valentines for Forest View residents**

**ADDISON** — The Illinois Education Association (IEA) has awarded a \$400 grant to Katherine Contreras, a 7th grade language arts teacher at Indian Trail Junior High School. A member of the Addison Teachers Association, Contreras received one of just 70 grants awarded across the state.

Now in her position for four years, Contreras saw a chance to join together the various clubs and organizations at Indian Trail to bring cheer to the elderly. The students made fleece tie blankets as well as Valentine cards to be delivered to Forest View Nursing Home in February. This venture is a joint effort between students in Builders Club, Nursing Home Club, Student Council, and Project POP during the month of January. (Note: Photos of



**KATHERINE CONTRERAS**

the project unfolding at Indian Trail can be found elsewhere in this issue.)

In all, more than 70 grants were awarded to educators' projects across the state.

The IEA represents more than 130,000 members, including teachers, education support professionals, higher education faculty and staff, retired educators and students planning to become teachers.



**Addison Trail senior Cheyenne Lam shows her artwork to students at Indian Trail Junior High School. On Jan. 27, five AT students visited the school to speak with eighth-graders about the art program in high school.**

courtesy photo

## ATHS art students present to Indian Trail eighth-graders

**ADDISON** — On Jan. 27, five Addison Trail art students visited Indian Trail Junior High School to speak with eighth-graders, where they presented their own works during art classes and other exploratory classes.

During the visit, they demonstrated art techniques, showcased their portfolios, talked about the different art classes

offered at Addison Trail and discussed what to expect in high school. The Addison Trail students who participated were freshman Madeline Danhouser, senior Cheyenne Lam, junior Angelene Ori, senior Cassandra Terrill and senior Kimberly Zaragoza.

"It was a great, authentic opportunity for these students to present their artwork and

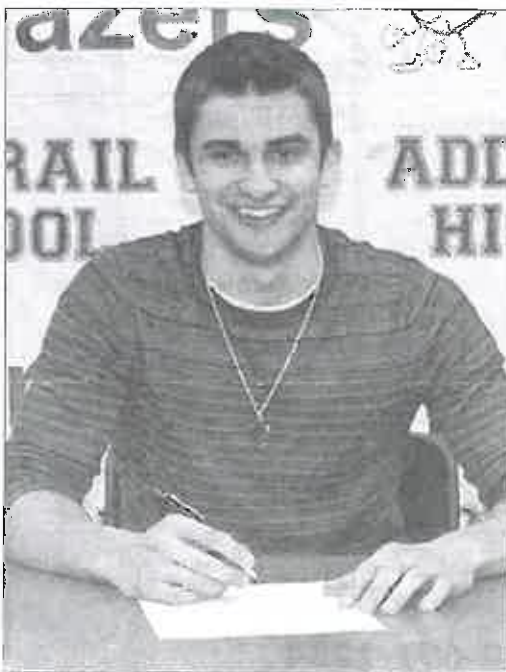
verbally communicate with an audience," said Addison Trail art teacher Maria Ramon. "I was so proud of them! These students are typically soft-spoken in the classroom, but really stepped up in a situation that was a bit outside of their comfort zone. They definitely showed their Blazer Pride while representing the art department!"



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## AT junior wins award at regional SkillsUSA

Pictured is Addison Trail junior Allison Galvan, who recently earned 3rd place in the Criminal Justice division during the Region 1 SkillsUSA competition at Technology Center of DuPage on Jan. 30. The competition involved more than 150 students from six schools.



**MIKE RYBARCZYK**

## AT senior signs letter of intent at University of Minnesota Duluth

**ADDISON** — On National Signing Day, which was Wednesday, Feb. 4, Addison Trail senior Mike Rybarczyk signed a letter of intent to play football for University of Minnesota Duluth. Rybarczyk, who joined football at age 6, expects to play quarterback for the university.

"It's the ultimate team sport," he said of why he enjoys football. "You need 10 other guys out there with you, and you need to work together."

Rybarczyk was named to the 2014 Illinois High School Football Coaches Association (IHSFCA) 7A All-State Team and is a leader on and off the field. He thanks his family, coaches and teammates for their support.

"I just love football," he said. "My teammates and coaches inspired me to continue with the sport at the collegiate level."



## Addison Trail bowler Jastrzebski finishes fourth in conference

### Schmelter bowls conference-high 275 game

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

The Addison Trail girls bowling team recently wrapped up regular-season play in the West Suburban Conference head pin tournament.

Addison Trail senior Amanda Jastrzebski finished fifth in the tournament and ended the season as the fourth-ranked bowler in the WSC.

"Amanda did awesome," said Addison Trail coach Paul Parpet Sr. "Our conference is very strong in girls bowling with teams like York and Hinsdale Central and Downers Grove South."

York won the head pin tournament. Hinsdale Central and Downers South followed. Addison Trail finished sixth.

"We had some close matches in the conference this year," said Parpet Sr. "Us and Hinsdale South, Leyden and Willowbrook all were packed together."

Sophomore Molly Schmelter also turned in another key highlight this season when she rolled

a 275 game against Hinsdale Central. That 275 ranked as the highest single-game total in the conference this season.

"Molly had nine strikes in a row to start," said Parpet Sr. "In the first three games of the Leyden invitational she had a 660. She has a chance."

Parpet Sr. has been pleased with the season-long development of his squad.

"The girls got better," he said. "We improved our average by 20 pins."

The Blazers also recently competed in the Minooka invitational at Channahon Lanes.

"There were 16 teams and a lot of them were very good," said Parpet Sr. "It's an awesome tournament and I thought our girls did a great job. They had a great day."

## Addison Trail-Willowbrook boys swimming team gearing up for postseason

### Diver Rivera stands out in recent meet against Downers Grove South

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

As the Addison Trail-Willowbrook boys swimming team prepares for the upcoming IHSA postseason, coach Neil Wahlgren has seen some definite positives in recent times.

Willowbrook's Jake Roucka recently earned a personal best in the breaststroke in a West Suburban Conference Gold Division meet against Downers Grove South. Addison Trail's Saul Rivera, a senior, also had a stellar diving performance in

the Downers South competition.

"Saul was a huge standout," said Wahlgren. "That was his best meet. He did a very good job and hit all his dives correctly. That was awesome to see. I think Saul is going to do very well for us."

Wahlgren, who noted the team had numerous strong seeds at this past weekend's conference meet, said there has been competition recently to fill out the rosters for both the conference meet and next Saturday's sectional meet.

"Against Downers Grove South we had four freshmen fighting for spots in the 500 free and the 200 free," he said.

"It was nice to see that competition for positions. They wanted spots for conference and sectionals."

Wahlgren said Addison Trail freshmen Mikey Strycharz and Jacob Grygo were standouts in the 500 against Downers South.

The coach also noted he planned on moving several younger swimmers down to the frosh-soph level for conference.

"That will give them more opportunities and give them a full meet of four events," said Wahlgren.

Addison Trail-Willowbrook had a pair of relays seeded high in conference (the frosh-soph 400 was first and the varsity 400 was second), while Willowbrook's Ehtna Wallace was ranked second in the 50 and 100.

Addison Trail-Willowbrook will compete in the York sectional on Saturday, Feb. 21.

"Hopefully we'll be swim-

ming well heading into sectionals," said Wahlgren. "We feel good right now. The guys want to finish the season strong."



Photo courtesy of DuPage High School District 88

### Letter of intent

Addison Trail senior football player Mike Rybarczyk recently signed a National Letter of Intent to attend the University of Minnesota-Duluth.



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## AT girls basketball team to host 'Blazer Shooting Skills Camp'

ADDISON — On Monday, Feb. 23 from 6-9 p.m., the Addison Trail Girls Basketball Team will host its first-ever Blazer Shooting Skills Camp for girls in grades 3-8.

Early-bird registration (deadline of Feb. 16) is \$20 a camper or \$35 for two members of the same family. Onsite registration is \$30 a camper or \$50 for two members of the same family.

Participants will receive a Blazer Basketball Camp T-shirt as part of the registration fee, and proceeds benefit the Addison Trail Basketball Program.

The camp will feature instruction from the Addison Trail Girls Basketball coaching staff. Participants will learn and improve on a variety of shooting and ball-handling skills and will receive a personalized shooting and ball-handling evaluation sheet to help guide future skill development.

To register, go to [dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=2053](http://dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=2053). For questions or more information, contact Addison Trail Girls Basketball Head Coach Rob Schader at [rschader@dupage88.net](mailto:rschader@dupage88.net) or 630-628-3328.

## The Don of A New Day in Sports

By Don Figarelli,  
Columnist

### Go to a high school basketball game



DON FIGARELLI

I haven't been to a high school basketball game lately, but I plan to go to more after watching the Addison Trail Blazers and the Willowbrook Warriors play one of the most exciting games I have ever seen.

The final score was 76-73, with Willowbrook on top. The lead changed five times in the last five minutes of the fourth quarter. With the game

tied at the end of regulation, the Blazers had a four-point lead, but Alonzo Verge Jr. scored six of Willowbrook's nine points, which led them to victory. Overall, he scored an amazing 44 points. Both schools should be proud of the way they played.

\*Tip #1: Attend or keep up on all high school sports.

\*Tip #2: Never give up until the game is over.

\*Tip #3: Improve your bowling skills by going to Fox Bowl in Wheaton and watch Mike Nape, or go to Stardust Bowl in Addison and watch The Don of Sports team on Thursday nights.

For ideas or feedback on this column, please write to [QuestPublishing@aol.com](mailto:QuestPublishing@aol.com) and put "Don of Sports" in the subject line.

### IC Catholic Prep girls lose to Glenbard South 46-30 on Senior Night

Right: Freshman Claire Gible at the charity stripe. IC lost to Glenbard South, 46-30.



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## State competition...

THE WILLOWBROOK HIGH SCHOOL pom team participated in Saturday's TEAMDance Illinois (TDI) Category Championship at Northern Illinois University. Willowbrook placed fourth in the Open Pom 2A level. The photo on the right shows some of the team's members during its routine at Saturday's event. Pictured left to right are: (front row) juniors Veronica Catanese and Amanda Barrie; (middle row) seniors Sarah Dvorak and Lashay Butler; (back row) freshman Sarah Ryan and junior Bianca LoCascio. The pom team had to earn a qualifying score at a TDI sectional competition to qualify for the championship event. The other members of the Willowbrook team are: seniors Nora Grzadziel and Hunter Sparks; juniors Claire Creighton, Marissa Fast, Christen Huette, Emily Isaacson and Madeline Schulte; sophomores India Garner, Kiana Gleason, Julia Holden and Margaret Sommers and freshmen Shannon Frank and Alexis Woodoff. The team's head coach is Maggie Lamb. The assistant coach is Autumn Jones. The Willowbrook Winter Guard performed two flag routines at Saturday's TDI event, finishing seventh in the lyrical flag division and eighth in the open flag level.



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## Village releases list of planned road projects for 2015

The Village of Villa Park recently released a packet outlining planned road projects for 2015. The packet includes a list of 26 projects for this year that will address about seven miles of village roadways. According to the packet, the 26 projects have a total estimated cost of about \$9.5 million.

The most expensive of the 26 projects is the reconstruction of nearly Michigan Avenue from Park Boulevard to Madison Street. The reconstruction of that stretch of about 2,600 feet will cost approximately \$3 million.

The second-most expensive project on the list of 2015 repairs is the reconstruction of

about 2,000 feet of Park Boulevard, from Villa Avenue to a dead end just west of Route 83. That project is expected to cost over \$1.5 million.

Other reconstruction projects scheduled for 2015 include those at Belden Avenue (from Yale to Ardmore avenues), Biermann Avenue (from Sunset Drive to Terrace Street), Grant Avenue (near Washington Street), Harvard Avenue (from Armitage to the south end near North Avenue), Second Avenue (from Stone Road to Terrace Street), Sidney Avenue, two portions of Stone Road (from Addison Road to

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### Pricey projects...

Photos by Chris Fox

THE VILLAGE OF VILLA PARK'S list of planned road work for 2015 include 26 separate projects. Those 26 projects are expected to repair about seven miles of roadways at a total estimated cost of about \$9.5 million. The most expensive project, estimated at about \$3 million, calls for reconstruction of Michigan Avenue from Park Boulevard to Madison Street. The above photo shows a northward view of Michigan near Madison. The photo below shows a section of Michigan near Park. The second-costliest of the projects, estimated at approximately \$1.5 million, calls for reconstruction of Park Boulevard from Villa Avenue to its east end near Route 83. The photo on the left shows an eastward view of Park from Villa.



## VPJWC to hold candidates forum at Village Hall on March 11

Residents can submit questions for candidates; deadline is Feb. 23

The Villa Park Junior Women's Club (VPJWC) will conduct a candidates forum on Wednesday, March 11, at 7 p.m. at Villa Park Village Hall, located at 40 S. Ardmore Ave.

Candidates running for seats on the Villa Park Village Board, the District 45 School Board and the Villa Park Library Board will attend the forum. Residents who have questions for any of the candidates can submit them in advance to the VPJWC at [vpjwc60181@gmail.com](mailto:vpjwc60181@gmail.com). Questions must be submitted by Monday, Feb. 23.



## Villa Park holds 'State of the Village' at Willowbrook on Feb. 26

Villa Park residents are invited to attend the State of the Village address on Thursday, Feb. 26. The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium of Willowbrook High School, located at 1250 S. Ardmore Ave.

According to a news release issued by the village, "the presentation is an opportunity to review the accomplishments of last year, including ongoing improvements to the Illinois Prairie Path and the launch of a new Village Web site. Included will be an overview of exciting items on this year's agenda, such as continued street improvements and the arrival of a new fire engine."

The event will also include information about current projects in each village department.

## Road work...

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Michigan Avenue and from Addison to North Avenue) and Third Avenue (from Stone to Terrace).

According to the information in the packet provided by the village, reconstruction is justified in each of the projects because "The village's pavement management program has determined that the condition of the street has deteriorated to the point that pavement rehabilitation is needed."

Each of the reconstruction projects will be bid separately, with the lowest responsible bidder landing each job.

The other projects on the 2015 list include eight roads requiring mill and resurfacing work. The remaining projects on this year's schedule call for patching and rehabilitation.

According to the village packet, the funding source for 18 of the 26 projects, including all 11 roads designated for reconstruction, will be general obligation bonds. Those bonds became available after Villa Park voters approved a referendum in the election of Nov. 4, 2014, to borrow up to \$23 million to pay for road repairs. Voters approved the referendum by a margin of about 71 to 29 percent, with 4,572 votes in favor of the proposal and 1,857 votes in opposition.

According to information provided by the village, the estimated monthly tax impact of the referendum is \$6.10 per month per \$100,000 of a home's actual market value.

The village issued just under \$10 million in bonds at the end of 2014. Another issuance of just under \$10 million took place at the beginning of 2015. The village will have 20 years to pay back the borrowed funds, which are being placed in a separate account and won't be co-mingled with other village funds. A citizens oversight committee will review the expenditures for the village's schedule of road projects.

The village's street improvement fund will provide the resources for the eight projects on this year's list that will not be financed by general obligation bonds. The village's 0.5 percent (one half of one cent) sales tax provides about \$1.5 million annually to pay for road repairs.

Villa Park Village Manager Rich Keehner said during the Feb. 6 village board meeting that village staff will put together similar packets of road projects during each of the next few years. The village provided information leading up to last year's election stating that the \$23 million would be spent over a period of seven years. Keehner stated late last year that the projects financed by the \$23 million could be completed in less than seven years.

## Villa Park residents can drop off electronic items on Saturday

Villa Park residents can drop off approved electronic items for disposal free of charge from 9 a.m. until noon on Saturday, Feb. 21, at the Villa Park Public Works Department's garage located just west of the village hall at 20 S. Ardmore Ave. Residents should be prepared to show identification. Electronic items that will be accepted include: computers, televisions, fax machines, scanners, VCRs, printers, mobile phones, keyboards and video-game consoles. For more information, call the Villa Park Public Works Department at 630-834-8505.

## VPJWC is accepting applications for 2015 scholarships through April 15

The Villa Park Junior Women's Club (VPJWC) is sponsoring a scholarship program to benefit female high school seniors who reside in Villa Park. The scholarships promote and reward students' involvement in a variety of community service activities.

This year the VPJWC is awarding two scholarships—one for \$1,500 and one for \$500. The winners will be chosen based on their applications and recommendations received. These scholarships are not awarded based on financial need.

The VPJWC will accept scholarship applications until April 15. For more information, or to apply online or download an application, visit <http://vpjwc.org/scholarship/>.



## Flag competition...

THE WILLOWBROOK WINTER GUARD performed two routines at Saturday's TEAMDance Illinois Category Championship at Northern Illinois University. The group placed seventh in the lyrical flag category and eighth in the open flag competition. The above photo shows members of the team during its lyrical flag presentation. Members of the Willowbrook Winter Guard are: seniors Megan Crawford, Amber Nork, Alexandra Sexton and Erin Stanic; juniors Tiarra Alvarado, Alyssa Beltzel, Cesia Garcia, Kathleen McSweeney, Deandra Miller and Katherine Ricchetti; sophomore Laura Roby and freshmen Alexandria Gulotta, Emily Luna, Amanda Miller and Kala Terselic.

## High scorer...

SOPHOMORE ALONZO VERGE of the Willowbrook boys basketball team sails toward the hoop during Saturday's West Suburban Gold Conference game at Downers Grove South. The Warriors defeated the Mustangs 74-58 to record their 13th consecutive win. Willowbrook improved to 19-6 overall and 7-3 in conference play. Vergé accounted for half of his team's points, scoring 37 points. He made 12 shots from the field, including four attempts from 3-point territory. Vergé also made all nine of his free-throw attempts. He scored 22 points during the first half to lead the Warriors to a 35-25 halftime lead. Vergé is scoring 22.6 points per game this season. Senior Jake Bruns contributed 14 points, while senior Kyle Rushing and junior Kevin Miller each scored nine points. Through Saturday, the Warriors and Morton were tied for first in the conference standings, with each team having two remaining WSGC games. Willowbrook will complete its conference season with this week's home games against Proviso East and Leyden. The Warriors, who joined the West Suburban Gold Conference in the 1980s, have never won a WSGC championship in boys basketball. The Warriors are two wins away from tying the program record for victories in a season. The 1971-72 team won 21 games.



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## Questions? Comments?

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## State meet qualifier...

WILLOWBROOK SENIOR Tamará Mendez (above) will compete in this week's IHSA girls gymnastics state meet, which takes place Friday and Saturday at Palatine High School. Mendez, who is a Villa Park resident, qualified for the state meet with her performance at the IHSA sectional competition at Glenbard North High School on Feb. 10. The top five finishers in each sectional event automatically qualified for the state meet. Mendez earned an automatic berth in the balance beam event with her sectional score of 9.125, which tied for fifth place. Mendez earned another spot in the state meet in the all-around competition, which includes a combination of scores from the vault, balance beam, uneven parallel bars and floor exercises. She turned in a fifth-place all-around score of 36.70 at the sectional. Mendez also earned at-large berths to the state meet in two other events—the vault and the uneven bars. She earned sectional scores of 9.375 on the vault and 9.15 on the uneven bars. The 12 best scorers in each event from among all sectional competitors (there were four sectionals) who did not earn top-five finishes earned at-large berths to the state meet. The above photo shows Mendez performing on the balance beam at the IHSA regional at York High School on Feb. 5.



# Sports

## LOMBARDIAN VILLA PARK REVIEW

### Warriors win 13th straight by beating DG South

The Willowbrook boys basketball team pushed its winning streak to 13 games with Saturday's 74-58 West Suburban Gold Conference victory at Downers Grove South. The Warriors improved to 19-6 overall and 7-3 in conference play. Willowbrook, which has not lost since Dec. 27, will close out its conference season with this week's home games against Proviso East and Leyden. The Warriors, who have never won a WSGC title in boys basketball since joining the conference in the 1980s, are tied with Morton for first place in the WSGC standings.

The Warriors have won six straight conference games since opening the WSGC campaign with a 1-3 record. Willowbrook's last three conference victories (over Hinsdale South, Morton and Downers Grove South) have avenged losses from earlier in the season.

"We're a completely different team than earlier in the [2014-15] year," said Willowbrook coach Chris Perkins after Saturday's victory. "Now their [the

players'] confidence is through the roof."

Sophomore Alonzo Verge scored half of his team's points against the Mustangs, pouring in 37 points. Verge made 12 of 23 shots, including four of 11 attempts from 3-point range. He connected on all nine of his shots from the free-throw line. Verge scored 22 points during the first half to lead Willowbrook to a 35-25 halftime lead.

"I was just playing basketball like I normally do," said Verge after Saturday's win—the team's first game in eight days. The Warriors edged Morton 80-78 on Feb. 6 in Villa Park. "My teammates always help me. They give me confidence."

Senior Jake Bruns, who did not score during the first half, provided 14 points in the second half. Bruns drained five shots—including a pair of 3-pointers—and made a pair of free throws. He hit both of his 3-point shots during the third quarter. The Warriors' lead stood at 50-39 at the end of the third period. A 7-point burst in the first

minute of the fourth quarter helped Willowbrook respond to a surge by the Mustangs. Verge made a basket and a 3-point shot during the opening minute of the period. Moments after Verge's 3-point shot, Bruns scored a driving basket after a turnover to give the Warriors a 57-44 lead.

Senior Kyle Rushing contributed nine points and a team-leading 11 rebounds. Junior Kevin Miller, who also tallied nine points, buried three of six 3-point attempts.

"Obviously Alonzo is a big part of our team and creates a lot of things for us," said Perkins. "But we have other capable guys. As long as we keep getting good nights from three or four guys, I think we're going to be tough to handle."

The Willowbrook boys program has not posted a winning season since the 2007-08 team turned in a 16-11 record. This season's Warriors are two victories away from tying the program record for wins in a season. The 1971-72 Willowbrook team won 21 games.



On a roll...

Photos by Chris Fox

JUNIOR KEVIN MILLER (above) of the Willowbrook boys basketball team scored nine points to help the Warriors to a 74-58 victory at Downers Grove South in Saturday's West Suburban Gold Conference game. Willowbrook extended its winning streak to 13 games and improved its overall season record to 19-6. Miller scored all his points with outside shots, making three of six attempts from 3-point range.

### St. John's holds basketball tournament on Saturday

St. John's Lutheran School in Lombard will hold its 17th annual Booster Classic Basketball Tournament on Saturday, Feb. 21. The event, which is for fifth- and sixth-grade boys and girls teams, begins at 8:30 a.m. at the school, which is located at 220 S. Lincoln Ave.

In addition to the host teams from St. John's, this year's tournament field includes Emanuel East Dundee, Immanuel Batavia and St. Andrew's of Park Ridge. Each team will play two games on Saturday.



### Willowbrook wins its 13th straight...

WILLOWBROOK SENIOR Kyle Rushing (No. 23, above, left) scores an inside basket during the fourth quarter of Saturday's 74-58 West Suburban Gold Conference victory at Downers Grove South. Rushing finished the night with nine points and 11 rebounds. Senior Jake Bruns (above, right) scored all 14 of his points during the second half. Saturday's game marked the Warriors' first contest in eight days. Their previous game was a come-from-behind 80-78 win over Morton on Feb. 6 in Villa Park. Through Saturday, Willowbrook and Morton were tied for first place in the conference standings with 7-3 records. The Warriors will finish the conference season with this week's home games against Proviso East and Leyden. Morton will tangle with Addison Trail and Proviso East.



### Senior night standout...

PLAYING HER FINAL HOME GAME as a Ram, senior Allison Hansen (above) of the Glenbard East girls basketball team scored 21 points to lead her team to a 42-31 Upstate Eight Valley Conference win over Waubesa Valley on Feb. 10. Hansen made a pair of 3-point shots and scored eight points in the opening quarter of Glenbard East's senior night game. She added seven more points, including another 3-pointer, in the second period to help the Rams to a 24-18 halftime lead. Hansen delivered three baskets during the third quarter. Junior Brasia Solid contributed 10 points for the Rams, who improved their overall record to 15-13 with the victory. "We've definitely developed a lot over the years," said Hansen, a four-year member of the varsity program. The Rams struggled during her freshman season, earning just one victory. The team won three games the following season and earned eight victories in the 2013-14 campaign. "It sets us up for having a winning record," said Hansen of the win over Waubesa Valley. "That was something we were looking forward to this season." The Rams lost Thursday's conference game at Metea Valley to finish the regular season with an overall record of 15-14 and a conference mark of 6-8. Glenbard East locked up a winning season when it opened the IHSA Class 4A playoffs with Monday's 37-27 win over Glenbard West at the St. Charles North Regional. The Rams will face St. Charles North in tonight's regional semifinal game.

### Standout wrestlers head to Champaign...

WILLOWBROOK FRESHMAN WRESTLER Jack Jessen (above, left) earned a trip to the IHSA Class 3A individual state wrestling meet by winning the 170-pound championship at the Glenbard North Sectional on Saturday. Jessen, who is pictured during his win in the title match at the Leyden Regional on Feb. 6, won three straight matches at the sectional to improve his overall season record to 46-2. Jessen defeated St. Charles East senior Ramon Lopez 5-0 in the sectional final. The top four finishers in each weight class at the sectional advanced to the individual state meet, which begins on Thursday at State Farm Center at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Willowbrook junior Matt Rowland will also wrestle in Champaign. Rowland earned a second-place finish in the 152-pound weight class at the sectional. He lost 3-1 to Oak Park/River Forest junior Isalah White in the first-place match. Rowland, who qualified for the individual state meet as a sophomore, completed the sectional with an overall record of 44-2. His only two losses have come against White in each of the last two meets. White edged Rowland 6-4 in the championship round of the Leyden Regional on Feb. 6. Glenbard East senior D'Andre Johnson won a sectional title at the 285-pound level for the second straight season when he pinned York junior Tommy Helton in Saturday's first-place match. Johnson pinned all three opponents at the sectional. The three wins moved his overall season record to 26-1. Johnson lost in the quarterfinal round to the eventual state champion at last season's state meet. He will try to become the second Glenbard East wrestler to win an individual state wrestling title. The only Ram to win a state wrestling championship is current head coach Kevin Carlson, who won the title in the 185-pound division of the 1981 Class AA meet. The above photo shows Johnson and Carlson at the Leyden Regional.



## Parks and Rec continues to develop Master Plan

### Two meetings remain for public input

**VILLA PARK** — Parks and Recreation is developing a Parks Master Plan for the future direction of parks, facilities and programming and public input to this process will be appreciated and extremely valued.

A series of input meetings began earlier this month to seek input from Village residents. They are moderated by Dan Dalziel of 3D Design, the design firm assisting with the Plan. Staff will be on hand as well.

Future meetings and topics covered include:

- Facilities and Programs, Saturday, February 21, 10 a.m.- 12 noon, Iowa Community Center.
- Parks and Playgrounds, Wednesday, February 25, 7-9 p.m., Community Recreation Building.

If you are unable to attend on the day a particular topic is being discussed, feel free to attend the other meeting date to offer input. There will be time allotted at the end of each meeting for open discussion and input on all areas of the park and recreation system. Call 630-834-8970 with any questions.

## Join the Sugar Creek Senior Men's golf league

**ELMHURST** — If you're looking for a standing golf date, join the Sugar Creek Senior Men's League.

Beginning Monday, April 6, the league offers a great opportunity to meet new friends and play at a set time each week in a casual setting. Golfers ages 60 and older can sign up as individuals or foursomes.

The cost of the league is \$50 (greens fees are paid separately on a weekly basis) and includes weekly prizes and a year-end banquet. League participants can purchase the Frequent Player Card for \$50 and pay only \$11 greens fees (saves up to \$7 per round of golf.)

The card is valid for use Monday-Friday before 2 p.m. To register for the league or to purchase the Frequent Player Card, contact the Sugar Creek Clubhouse at (630) 834-3325 or purchase online at [sugarcreek-golfcourse.org](http://sugarcreek-golfcourse.org).



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## Village honors NEDSRA Gold Medalist

Phillip Paige of Villa Park (center), flanked by cousins Juante Winfield and Toyla Winfield, received the Northeast DuPage Special Recreation Association (NEDSRA) Gold Medal award at Village Hall on Monday, Feb. 9. Phillip participates in track & field, softball, floor hockey, basketball and snowshoeing.

## WB students head to DECA State finals

**VILLA PARK** — Twenty-four Willowbrook students have qualified for the DECA State competition, which will take place from March 12 to 14 at the Decatur Conference Center and Hotel in Decatur.

DECA prepares future leaders and entrepreneurs for careers in marketing, finance, entrepreneurship, hospitality and business management.

The 24 students who qualified for State are:

Principles of Business Management and Administration: Junior Amos Cabudol, freshman Maria Luz Alcala;

Principles of Finance: Junior Sally Nijim;

Principles of Hospitality and Tourism: Freshman Catherine Carey;

Principles of Marketing: Senior Anthony Pauletti;

Buying and Merchandising Team Decision Making: Senior Michael Roby II and

junior Kyle Ezell, junior Jackson Bell and junior Matthew Langer;

Hospitality Services Team Decision Making: Senior Asra Mubeen and senior Benish Siddiqui, senior Marie Crowe and junior Selina Zeiss;

Travel and Tourism Team Decision Making: Sophomore Anthony Clampit and sophomore Haley Warren, junior Zachary Boehm and junior Ian Patete;

Business Finance Series: Senior Tyler Rusnak;

Business Services Marketing Series: Junior Julia Smith, junior Filjo Abraham;

Restaurant and Food Service Management Series: Junior Henry Dahl;

Retail Merchandising Series: Senior Joseph Draus, senior Giselle Carter;

Sports and Entertainment Marketing Series: Senior Farheen Fatima.



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Willowbrook DECA students pose after competing to qualify for the DECA State competition. Twenty-four students qualified, and the State competition will take place from March 12 to 14 in Decatur.





photos provided

## Look what I made!

Above: Villa Park Recreation recently held an Art Fair showcasing projects created by children in the preschool and Funtime Junction childcare program. Pictured is 3-year-old Michael Glab pointing out his project to his proud dad Michael.

Right: Farrah Beavers 3, gets a big hug from her mom Malory at the Children's Art Fair that took place recently at the preschool at Villa Park Parks & Recreation.



## WB senior Henry Wallace earns Evans Scholarship

VILLA PARK — Willowbrook senior Henry Wallace was recently named as a Chick Evans Caddie Scholarship recipient.

According to the Chick Evans Caddie Scholarship web site, applicants are selected for their strong caddie record, excellent academics, demonstrated financial need and outstanding character.



HENRY WALLACE

Wallace has been a caddie at Glen Oak Country Club in Glen Ellyn for three years, and he has been a member of the Willowbrook Boys Golf Team since his freshman year.

"Being on the golf course has helped me build character and improve my communication skills," he said. "Golf is physically and mentally challenging and it has taught me patience."

He was thrilled to learn he had received the scholarship. He will live in the Evans Scholarship House at Purdue University, where he plans to major in chemical engineering.

"I'm looking forward to being able to learn more," he said. "I am excited to experience college life academically and socially."

Wallace is humbled by the opportunity, knowing he couldn't have achieved this level of success without the support of his family, friends and staff at Willowbrook.

"Willowbrook has taught me the importance of hard work and dedication through academics, sports and life in general," he said. "I'll always remember what I've learned here, and I know it will help me in the future."



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## Willowbrook Poms compete in TDI championship

On Feb. 13, Willowbrook hosted a State sendoff celebration for the Poms Team, which competed in the TEAMDance Illinois (TDI) Category Championship on Feb. 14 at Northern Illinois University. Pictured are (back row, from left) Coach Maggie Lamb, freshman Shannon Frank, sophomore Margaret Sommers, sophomore India Garner, junior Madeline Schulte, senior Hunter Sparks, senior Sarah Dvorak, Coach Autumn Jones, (middle row, from left) junior Marissa Fast, senior Nora Grzadzki, senior Lashay Butler, sophomore Julia Holden, junior Veronica Catanese, junior Emily Isaacson, freshman Sarah Ryan, (front row, from left) junior Bianca LoCascio, junior Claire Creighton, freshman Alexis Wedoff, junior Amanda Barrie, sophomore Kiana Gleason and junior Christen Huette.



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Pictured are District 88 students who were recognized at a recent meeting of the District 88 Board of Education for their state-level achievements from fall 2014. They are (back row, from left) Addison Trail senior Tyler Schroeder-Zelek, AT senior Matt Gontarek, AT senior Eric Gilliam, Willowbrook senior Mike Rogalski, WB junior Kyle Martyniuk, (front row, from left) AT junior Lia Caruso, WB senior Kelly McNamara and AT junior Daniel Nowosad. Not pictured are AT senior Mike Rybarczyk, AT senior Jake Atiyeh and WB senior Alex Lapinski.

## District 88 Board honors students with state-level achievement

**ADDISON/VILLA PARK** — During its Feb. 9 meeting, the District 88 Board of Education took time to recognize seven Addison Trail and four Willowbrook students, all of whom earned a state-level achievement in the fall of 2014. Each student's coach/sponsor spoke about his or her accomplishments at the state level, and each received a certificate.

The students who were recognized include:

### Addison Trail:

- Senior Mike Rybarczyk: 2014 Illinois High School Football Coaches Association (IHSFCA) 7A All-State Team
- Senior Jake Atiyeh: 2014 Illinois High School Football Coaches Association (IHSFCA) 7A Academic All-State Team
- Senior Eric Gilliam: 2014 Illinois High School Football Coaches Association (IHSFCA) 7A Academic All-State Team
- Senior Matt Gontarek: 2014 Illinois High School Football Coaches Association (IHSFCA) 7A Academic All-State Team
- Senior Tyler Schroeder-Zelek: 2014 Illinois High School Football Coaches Association (IHSFCA) 7A Academic All-State Team
- Junior Daniel Nowosad: Selected to audition for the Illinois Music Education Association (ILMEA) All-State Orchestra (only four tuba players throughout Illinois were invited to audition, and Nowosad was named as the top tuba player)
- Junior Lia Caruso: Selected to participate in the Illinois Music Education Association (ILMEA) All-State Future Music Educators Seminar at the Illinois Music Education Conference

### Willowbrook:

- Senior Kelly McNamara: State Champion of the Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Girls Swimming & Diving 100-yard butterfly
- Junior Kyle Martyniuk: 2014 Illinois High School Football Coaches Association (IHSFCA) 7A Academic All-State Team
- Senior Mike Rogalski: Named as a member of the 2014 Chicago Fire Boys All-State All-Academic Team (1st Team)
- Senior Alex Lapinski: Selected to the Illinois Music Education Association (ILMEA) All-State Honors Chorus for the second year in a row

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LORI RACKL

## Sun-Times TV critic shares insights with Women's Club

ADDISON — On Feb. 5, the Women's Club of Addison heard Lori Rackl, Sun-Times TV Critic, recount her journey from Addison Trail High School to the University of Illinois where she graduated with a degree in political science.

She described her start in journalism as a part-time freelancer for the Daily Herald and her transition to a full-time position and greater responsibilities. Lori joined the Sun-Times in 2004 handling health issues in the Chicago area, and then spent several years as the Sun-Times Sunday Travel editor. In 2011, she moved to her current position as TV Critic.

Rackl's insights on current programming in television and upcoming trends were followed by a discussion session with club members who thoroughly enjoyed her visit. The Women's Club of Addison meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Addison Village Hall. Guests are welcome.

## AT staffers to take Polar Plunge for Special Olympics

ADDISON — It might be chilly outside, but that's not going to stop Addison Trail staff members from raising money for a cause.

On Feb. 21, four Addison Trail staff members from the Special Education Department will jump into the brisk waters at Northwestern University Beach in Evanston. Jessica

Sokolowski, Melissa Morales, Lisa Bollow (Special Education Department Chair) and Lynn Frazier will participate in the annual Law Enforcement Torch Run Polar Plunge to raise money for Special Olympics Illinois.

To donate to the Addison Trail team, go to [tinyurl.com/lwop9dq](http://tinyurl.com/lwop9dq)

In 2015, there will be Plunges in 20 locations. All proceeds collected by plungers benefit Special Olympics Illinois athletes. In 2014, more than \$2.1 million was raised by more than 7,300 plungers. In 16 years, \$12.3 million has been raised by more than 47,000 plungers. For more information, go to [plungeillinois.com](http://plungeillinois.com).



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## AT ACHIEVE partners with Chicago Voyagers

Students in Addison Trail's ACHIEVE program participate in a cross-country ski outing on Feb. 10 at Fullersburg Woods in Oak Brook. The event was part of a program called "Picking a Path" with Chicago Voyagers, which is meant to help the students foster healthy relationships and responsible behavior. Pictured are freshmen David Mendez, Francisco Fernandez, Antonio Villegas, Cristian Baez and program leader Bernie Rupe. Full story and another photo on page 7.

## Center for the Arts presents student exhibition

ADDISON — The Addison Center for the Arts is presenting an art exhibition by Addison School District 4 art students now through February 27, 2015 in its Gallery at 213 N. Lombard Road, Addison, annexed to the north side of Addison Trail High School.

### Armendariz watercolor exhibit opens March 4

Opening March 4, the Addison Center for the Arts will showcase "Essence: Old Yankee Stadium," a watercolor exhibit by artist Tony Armendariz.

It will remain through March 28. An artist reception will be Friday, March 13 from 7 - 9 p.m.

Both exhibits are partially funded by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council Agency.

The gallery is located at 213 N. Lombard Road, Addison, annexed to the north side of Addison Trail High School. Enter door #4. Gallery hours are Wednesday-Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m. To arrange a private showing, call 630-458-4500 or visit [addisoncenterforthearts.com](http://addisoncenterforthearts.com).



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## Students in ACHIEVE program adventure with Voyagers

ADDISON — Nine students in Addison Trail's ACHIEVE program have a new opportunity this semester.

ACHIEVE has partnered with Chicago Voyagers to provide those students with outdoor experiential adventures that foster healthy relationships and responsible behavior through a program called "Picking a Path." Staff members hosted a meeting about that program for participating students and their parents on Jan. 28, and students went on their first adventure on Feb. 10. During that outing, they went cross-country skiing at Fullersburg Woods in Oak Brook.

ACHIEVE Social Worker Rolando Rocha said the focus of "Picking a Path" is to work

with the students on their decision-making skills and self-motivation, how to set and achieve goals and how to keep striving forward and not give up. He added the goals of the ski trip were to show the students how to:

Support one another in a positive way

Respect one another

Encourage one another

Keep trying — no matter the challenge

Rocha said the program involves going on an outing every three to four weeks, and data will be collected to help the students achieve the desired outcomes. This is a pilot program for younger high school students to help ensure a successful high school experience.

## District 88 Foundation to host Dennis Doyle Basketball Classic

ADDISON/VILLA PARK — The District 88 Foundation, a member of the Partnership for Inspired Education (PIE) Foundation, which supports District 88 students, is hosting another event to help raise funds for students.

The foundation has granted funds to provide financial assistance to students for textbooks, summer camps and Advanced Placement (AP)/college-level exams; to support students traveling to visit colleges; to provide mini-grants for staff to develop instructional opportunities to benefit students; to enhance technology and Internet access for students and more.

The Foundation invites the community to come out to Willowbrook on Saturday, March 7 for the Dennis Doyle 3-on-3 Classic Basketball Tournament. The event is held in memory of Doyle, who was Willowbrook's Head Basketball Coach from 1994 to 2006, as well as a Guidance Counselor until his death in 2011.

While the game takes place at Willowbrook

High School, 1250 S. Ardmore Ave. in Villa Park, transportation will be provided from Addison Trail.

For more information or to register, visit [dupage88.net/foundation](http://dupage88.net/foundation).

### PIE Foundation hosts fundraiser at "West Side Story"

On March 15, the PIE Foundation will host a performance of "West Side Story," dinner and a silent auction at Drury Lane, 100 Drury Lane in Oakbrook Terrace. Proceeds benefit students in school districts 4, 45, 48 and 88.

The PIE Foundation is currently seeking donations for the silent auction. If you have goods or services to donate, contact District 88 Director of Community Relations Dani Brink at 630-530-3989 or [dbrink@dupage88.net](mailto:dbrink@dupage88.net) by Feb. 27.

For more information, or to buy tickets: [dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=2026](http://dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=2026).

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Addison Trail DECA students (all in the front row) pose with DECA sponsors Joe Mahoney (far left) and Jeff Laschinski (far right) after competing to qualify for the DECA State competition. Seven students qualified, and the State competition will take place from March 12 to 14 at the Decatur Conference Center and Hotel in Decatur. courtesy photo

## AT sends seven to DECA State competition

ADDISON — Seven Addison Trail students have qualified for the DECA State competition, which will take place from March 12 to 14 at the Decatur Conference Center and Hotel in Decatur.

DECA is a competitive club that prepares future leaders and entrepreneurs for careers in marketing, finance, entrepreneurship, hospitality and business management.

The seven students who qualified for State are:

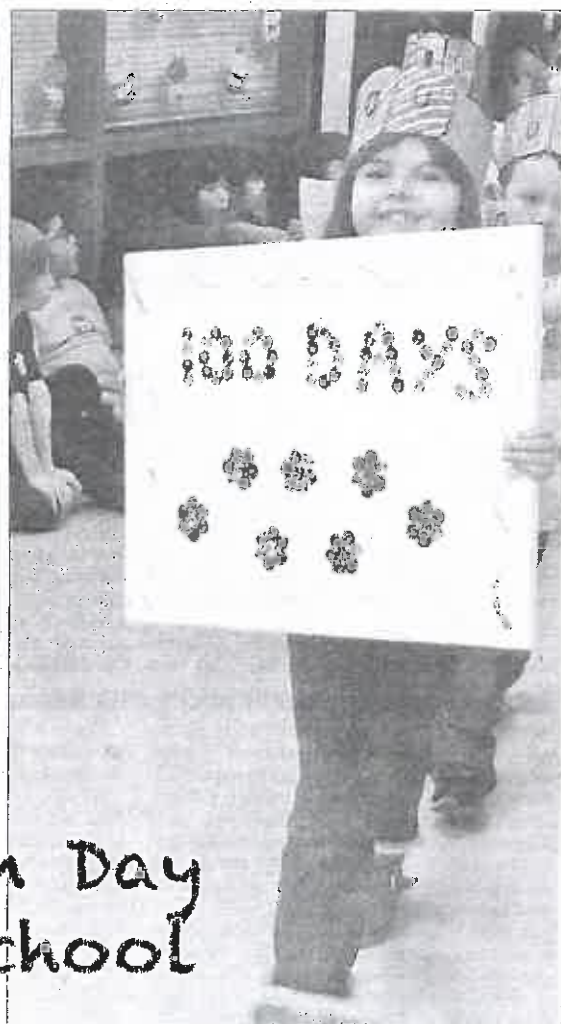
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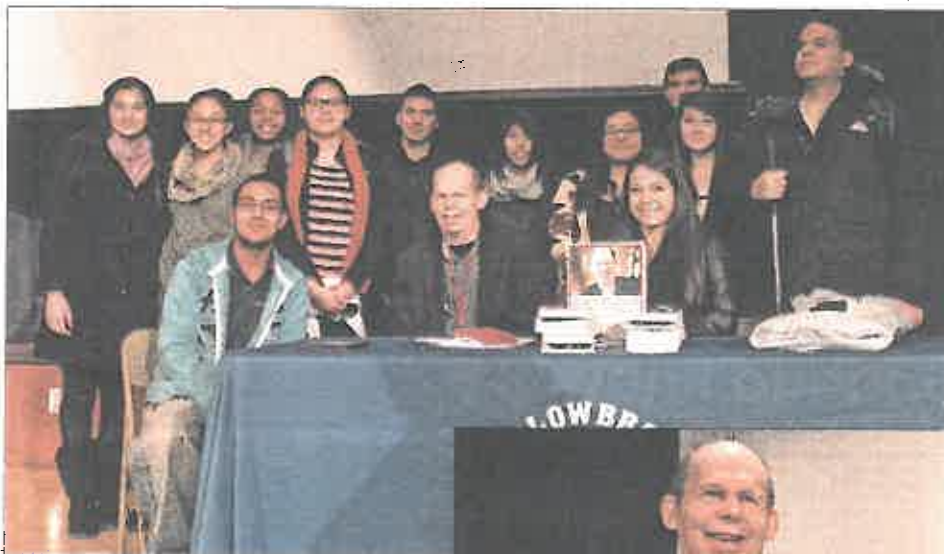
Fashion Merchandising Promotion Plan: Juniors Nina Capuani and Clarisa Bueno;

Sports and Entertainment Marketing Operations Research: Nelms, Novak and junior Rogelio Ochoa;

and, Business Services Marketing Series: Junior Stefano Favuzzi.



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*courtesy photos*  
Above: Author and journalist Alex Kotlowitz (sitting, second from left), writer of the award-winning national bestseller "There Are No Children Here," greets a group of District 88 students after his presentation. Kotlowitz spoke with them at District 88's "Author in the House" event, which took place on Feb. 12 at Willowbrook and was streamed live at Addison Trail.

Right: Author and journalist Alex Kotlowitz, writer of the award-winning national bestseller "There Are No Children Here," speaks with District 88 students during the district's "Author in the House" event. The event took place on Feb. 12 at Willowbrook and was streamed live at Addison Trail.



## District 88 hosts 'Author In The House' event *Welcomes Kotlowitz, writer of award-winning best seller*

ADDISON/VILLA PARK —On Feb. 12, District 88 hosted its annual "Author in the House" event.

The featured author was Alex Kotlowitz, writer of the award-winning national bestseller "There Are No Children Here." The book chronicles two years in the lives of two boys, Lafayette and Pharoah, a public housing complex disfigured by crime and neglect.

"There Are No Children Here" was chosen by the New York Public Library as one of the 150 most important books of the 20th century. In 1993, it was made into a TV movie (for ABC), produced by and starring Oprah Winfrey. Twenty years after its publication, it is still used regularly in high school and college classes and to date has sold about 800,000 copies.

During his presentation at District 88, Kotlowitz spoke with students about his experience writing "There Are No Children Here." He also showed clips from his film "The Interrupters," which tells the moving and surprising story of three "violence interrupters" in Chicago, who with bravado, humility and even humor try to protect their communities from the violence they once employed. Kotlowitz then answered questions from the students. The presentation took place at Willowbrook and was streamed live at Addison Trail.

For more information about Kotlowitz, visit [alexkotlowitz.com](http://alexkotlowitz.com).



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## SPORTS

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## Addison Trail's Jastrzebski qualifies for state bowling finals

## Senior rolls 1,228 series at Hinsdale South to advance

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

Addison Trail senior girls bowler Amanda Jastrzebski narrowly missed qualifying for the state finals as a junior.

There was no narrowly missing a year later. Jastrzebski rolled a 1,228 series to earn one of the state individual qualifying spots at the recent HinsdaleSouth sectional.

Jastrzebski will bowl starting Friday in the state finals at Cherry Bowl Lanes near Rockford.

"I was so close last year. I missed it by six pins," said Jastrzebski late last week.

Bowling is a way of life for Jastrzebski, who started in the sport at the age of three.

"They say I was looking through books and saw something about bowling and was curious," she said. "I don't even think I started with bumper bowl-

ing. I kept doing it and kept moving up. I love the sport. I love how you have to be mentally tough. The mental part is big. In bowling, you can't think about what you are doing. You have to roll with it. I act like I'm the ball and I aim for the target. One bad shot can affect your game and if it does it becomes a different game."

Jastrzebski ended up reaching her goal of getting a 200 average. She finished fourth individually in per-game average in the tough West Suburban Conference.

"I averaged a 200 and stayed with it for almost the whole season," she said.

Jastrzebski added she's also worked on her 6-10 game.

"I'm getting more toward the 6-10 with hooking it right where it needs to be and having it come back nicely when I need it to come back," she explained.

While she said the mental part of bowling has a big bearing on a player's score, Jastrzebski stressed two other key elements must be present.

"You have to have fun and have confidence in what you are doing," she said.

"Whatever pinfall you get, you can't let it get you down the next frame. You have to take it one frame at a time."

Outside of school, Jastrzebski bowls with a lot of boys. "Boys are challenging," she said. "The boys spread the oil out. They do different shots. It's helped me get better."

But Jastrzebski likes the team aspect at Addison Trail.

"I like interacting with my teammates," she said. "I bowl mainly with guys, but it's a different environment when it's just girls."

Jastrzebski, who would like to bowl in college and is investigating that avenue, is a student of the game. She said she typically practices multiple hours each day.

"I bust my butt every night and every day after school," said Jastrzebski, whose high game this year is a 267, while her all-time high is a 290 (she would love to bowl a 300). "I like to work hard. I'm out on the lanes constantly."

She also is plenty busy outside of bowling. Jastrzebski is a straight-A student at Addison Trail and also has a job at an area grocer. She would like to study chemical engineering in college.

"It's all about academics for me," she said. "It's school, bowling and work 24-7."

When asked last week what she needed to do in order to be successful the rest of the season, Jastrzebski didn't veer off her success script.

## Fenton girls basketball team closes out regular season on positive note

## Bison defeats Elmwood Park, plays well against ACC, Lake Forest Academy

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

The Fenton girls basketball team erased the memory of a tough January schedule and closed out the regular season on a high note.

Fenton defeated Elmwood Park and then dropped games to Lake Forest Academy and Aurora Central Catholic. Bison coach Tim Anderson was pleased with how his team played in the two losses.

"The Lake Forest Academy game I would like to think was a turning point for us," he said. "We played a really nice game. They ended up winning our tournament with a 4-0 record and we played the best game against them of anybody. We only allowed 39 points against them and that's probably one of the lowest scores they've had this season. They have a girl on the team who is about the best player we've seen all year."

Anderson cited Jannely Hernandez for strong defensive play against Lake Forest Academy's top player.

"Jannely stepped up and did a nice job on her," said Anderson.

Fenton's game with Aurora Central Catholic was closely contested throughout. "ACC beat us pretty good the first time," said Anderson. "This time, we played our best game of the last month and a half. It may have been one of the

better games we've played all season. We lost by four and we were right there. It was exciting. We played right with them and the kids walked out of the gym feeling good."

Recent games have been a stark contrast from January, Anderson noted. "January was a tough month for us," said Anderson. "We've had a hard time putting the ball in the basket."

Anderson noted Fenton lost to Wheaton Academy the first time by seven points and then lost by more than 30 points in a game more defined by Wheaton Academy's hot shooting.

"I've been doing this a long time and I've never seen what they did against us," said Anderson. "They shot 70 percent in the first half and 57 percent for the game. That's unbelievable. It sounds ridiculous, but we didn't play that badly against them. I don't have an adjective for it. We had some games there where we didn't score a basket in the first quarter and got down by 10 or 12 points. We were still playing good defense, but it had a domino effect."

Anderson said another positive has been the strength of schedule the team has played.

"If you look at all the sectional seeding information they gave us and you do a comparison to the other teams in the sectional and we are playing a pretty regular schedule," said Anderson. "Our conference (Metro Suburban) has good basketball. Riverside-Brookfield and Glenbard South are doing very well and

## Addison Trail girls basketball team playing improved defense

## Blazers opened postseason play earlier this week

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

One major plus for the Addison Trail girls basketball team in recent times has been its defense.

"Our defense has been 100 times better in the second half of the season," said Blazers coach Rob Schader. "We're just having a tough time scoring sometimes."

In recent games, Addison Trail dropped a 51-50 decision to Leyden on a last-second shot. The Blazers also lost to Willowbrook and Oak Park-River Forest.

"We lost to Willowbrook by something like 30 points earlier in the season," said Schader. "The second time we played them we were up by six at one point. We lost 57-45 to Oak Park in the conference crossover. They are big and athletic, but our defense has been much better."

Schader has seen many individual positives recently, starting with senior Rachel Baumgartner, who is the team's leading scorer.

"Unfortunately Rachel is a senior," he said. "She's played so hard this season. She's a true competitor. That's what

you get from the Baumgartner girls. Four of them have been through the program now and all of them are great kids. Her sister, Marie, is a sophomore and will be up with us next year. Rachel is a quiet kid who loves sports and works so hard and is extremely competitive."

Juniors Maria Koulogeorgas and Nicole Pudlo also have played well of late.

"Maria has done a nice job down the stretch on offense and defense for us and Nicole missed last year with a knee injury. She is gaining confidence and has gotten a lot better," said Schader.

Schader also has been pleased with Tegan Graff and Marina Stokes. "Tegan has played well for us and is only a junior," said Schader. "Marina didn't play a ton to start off, but she puts in so much time on her own. She's improved and that's because of the work she's put in and she's done a good job of adjusting to the speed of the game."

Addison Trail's sophomore team finished the season with a 15-7 overall record.

"The sophomores are a very good group and with the girls we have coming back and the new kids coming up we should be pretty solid next year," he said.

Addison Trail opened Class 4A postseason play earlier this week against

## Willowbrook's Mendez qualifies for state gymnastics finals

**Automatically qualifies on beam and all-around**

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

Willowbrook senior girls gymnast Tamara Mendez hit the jackpot when it counted the most.

Mendez placed fifth on the balance beam and in the all-around competition and earned automatic state-qualifying berths at the recent Glenbard North sectional.

Mendez will compete in the state finals meet Friday.

"Tamara had an awesome meet," said Willowbrook coach Annette Nocek.

Mendez earned a 36.7 score in the all-around competition.

"You can see her jump from the regional to the sectional. She was on," said Nocek. "It was a beautiful thing."

She also earned a state berth on beam with a 9.125. Mendez also was in contention to earn at-large state bids on vault and bars. She finished eighth on vault at the sectional and sev-

enth on beam with a 9.15. At-large state berths were officially announced earlier this week.

Teammate Riley McFarlane also competed at sectionals.

"Riley had the best meet she's had all season," said Nocek. "She can walk away knowing she was at the top of her game. It's an awesome feeling. At the beginning of the season the goal was to qualify Riley for sectionals and Tamara for state. We're very excited. We're happy that both were able to achieve those goals. We ended up getting two girls where we wanted them to go."

In earlier action, Mendez scored a 34.5 in the all-around competition at the regional level to earn an at-large bid. McFarlane also earned an at-large spot with a 32.925 in the all-around scoring. Mendez ended up qualifying for sectionals in every individual event plus the all-around. McFarlane also earned an at-large sectional bid on beam.

At the West Suburban Conference Gold Division meet, Mendez earned all-conference

honors after placing fourth in the all-around with a 35.575. She also won the floor exercise conference title with a 9.175 and took second on vault (9.1) and bars (9.0), and fifth on beam with an 8.55.

McFarlane and Gloria Johnson each had 31.55s in the all-around scoring.

Mendez qualified for state after recovering from a nasty leg injury suffered in early December.

"She missed a flip on the beam and nailed her femur," said Nocek. "It made such a noise. She has the blackest bruise on her leg that started at the knee. She was at practice the next day and never has missed a day. That's an injury that probably would have been a season-ender for 90 percent of people in the sport. She never missed a meet. We watered her routines down to nothing. I give her a lot of credit and the training staff at Willowbrook. It definitely took a village. I'm proud of her getting through the injury and persevering. She has a lot of heart."

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IC (Catholic Prep) is good. It's been a very challenging schedule for us. We've seen some really good basketball teams. We would have liked to have been a little more successful in terms of competing. Some of our scores look a little bit lopsided, but our kids always competed hard and that's the most important thing. We had no idea this new conference would be this demanding. We knew it would be more challenging, but we had no idea it would be this challenging. We'll adjust for the coming years."

In addition to Hernandez's strong play, Anderson also has

been pleased with the likes of Val Anderson, Dana Fritz, Jessica Bango and Courtney Susmarski.

"Jannely has stepped up and done a nice job and Val Andrews leads us in rebounding and has come on strong as senior leader," said Anderson. "Dana and Jessica have played well all year and Courtney has hit some big threes for us recently. We always look for improvement with our girls and a lot of them have improved. We're happy with that."

Fenton opened postseason play earlier this week in the Class 4A St. Charles North regional.

## Rowland has his eyes on the grand prize

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

Willowbrook wrestling standout Matt Rowland is back on the big stage.

Rowland recently finished second at the Class 3A Glenbard North sectional and advanced to the state finals this weekend in Champaign on the campus of the University of Illinois. He'll be joined by freshman standout teammate Jack Jessen, who won the 170-pound sectional title at Glenbard North.

Rowland finished fifth in Class 3A last year at 152 pounds.

"I'm finishing my matches stronger than I did before," said Rowland late last week. "I try my hardest when I have the lead to finish strong. I'm always looking for the fall."

Rowland added his other great improvement this season has come in the leadership department.

"It's just being a team leader," he said. "When someone is down I pick them up and make them feel part of the team. I'm a leader more by what I do on the mat, but it's partially vocal. It's not challenging being a leader. It's part of my job."

Rowland said last year's performance has greatly helped him this season.

"My confidence is way up this year," he said. "I went to state last year and I'm looking to improve on that this year. I'm more motivated this year. Last year left a sour taste in my mouth. I lost matches to kids I should have beat downstate. I trained even more in the off-season."

Rowland added this time of the year is right up his alley.

"I love competing and going up against tougher guys," he said. "I think it's more fun."

Rowland had an undefeated record for a majority of the 2014-2015 season. He lost to Oak Park-River Forest star Walter White Jr., in the regional championship match and again in the Glenbard North sectional championship (3-1). White Jr. is the No.

1 ranked wrestler in the country at 152 pounds and won the Class 3A 138-pound title last year.

"There was no pressure being undefeated," he said. "It's just a record. I made mistakes in the match (regional title). I have the chance to possibly wrestle him three times in a row now. He's the No. 1 kid in the country. You can't make any mistakes against him because he will capitalize."

Rowland doesn't mind the fact he goes into matches with a well-earned reputation of having success—the proverbial target on the back.

"I embrace it," he said. "It's a sense of self pride."

Rowland gave major thanks to his parents for the commitment they've made to him with wrestling over the years.

"My parents have pushed me to be the best I can be since I was a little kid," he said. "They drove around the country and have supported me and that's what has made me successful the past years. My parents have made me great. They paid a trainer and drove me over an hour each way this past summer."

Rowland also had high praise for new Willowbrook teammate Jessen.

"He's amazing. His future is bright," said Rowland. "He's a great practice partner and he's a great kid. We've made each other better. His potential is enormous."

Rowland has his eye on the next level as well. He'd like to continue his wrestling career in college.

"A future goal is to get a college scholarship," he said. "My main concern is choosing a school that will give me a good education. I don't know which one yet, but the idea is to get a good education."

His more immediate goal is the state championship at 152 pounds.

"The goal is to win it all," he said. "I've been working toward that all year. I have to stay healthy and stay focused on the main goal and don't let anybody else influence it."





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## WB Winter Guard compete in TDI Championship

Pictured is the Willowbrook Winter Guard, which competed in the TEAMDance Illinois (TDI) Category Championship on Feb. 14 at Northern Illinois University. Pictured are (back row, from left) junior Katherine Ricchetti, senior Alexandra Sexton, junior Kathleen McSweeney, senior Erin Stanis, freshman Kala Terselic, senior Megan Crawford, (middle row, from left) freshman Alexandria Gulotta, junior Cesia Garcia, senior Amber Nork, junior Deandra Miller, freshman Emily Luna, (front row, from left) freshman Amanda Miller, junior Alyssa Beitzel, junior Tiarra Alvarado and sophomore Laura Roby.

## Fenton sends two wrestlers to state

### Addison Trail's O'Neill qualifies for state gymnastics

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

The Fenton wrestling team will have a presence in Champaign this weekend.

The Bison qualified two wrestlers out of the recent Class 2A Antioch sectional.

Senior Juan Alfaro won the 170-pound sectional title. He won the championship match by a 7-3 count and is headed to the Class 2A finals.

Senior Antoine Bess placed fourth at 120 and also will compete at state.

Seniors Corey Muniz (106) and Oscar Ledezma (138) are state alternates after placing fifth in their respective weight classes.

### Willowbrook wrestling

The Willowbrook wrestling team qualified two competitors for this weekend's state finals meet in Champaign.

Freshman standout Jack Jensen won the 170-pound title at

the Class 3A Glenbard North sectional. He'll be joined at state by junior teammate Matt Rowland, who finished second at 152 pounds.

### Addison Trail wrestling

Addison Trail senior Anthony Metallo earned a berth in the Class 3A state finals after his recent performance at the Glenbard North sectional.

Metallo placed second at 145 pounds to earn a trip to Champaign.

### Addison Trail girls gymnastics

Addison Trail sophomore Kennedy O'Neill qualified for the state finals meet after tying for fifth on bars at the recent Glenbard North sectional.

O'Neill earned the automatic qualifying bid after scoring a 9.200 in the event. She will compete in this weekend's state finals at Palatine High School.

### Fenton girls bowling

The Fenton girls bowling team placed 10th at the recent Hinsdale South sectional. The Bison ended with a total pinfall of 4,794.

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NO; HARRIS EXTERIORS INC.;  
DEFENDANTS

11 CH 2165  
1333 NORTH TALLY HO DRIVE  
ADDISON, IL 60101

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO  
JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE  
UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE  
FORECLOSURE ACT

\*\*\*THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT  
TO COLLECT ON A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION  
OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT  
PURPOSE\*\*\* PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN THAT pursuant to a Judgment of Fore-  
closure and Sale entered by said Court in the  
above entitled cause on December 16, 2014,  
DU PAGE COUNTY SHERIFF IN DU PAGE  
County, Illinois, will on March 17, 2015, in 501  
North County Farm Road, Wheaton, IL 60187,  
at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to  
the highest bidder for cash, all and singular,  
the following described real estate mentioned  
in said Judgment, situated in the County of DU  
PAGE, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as  
shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

TAX NO. 03-18-404-015 COMMONLY  
KNOWN AS: 1333 NORTH TALLY HO  
DRIVE ADDISON, IL 60101 Description of  
Improvements: 2 STORY HOME WITH AT-  
TACHED GARAGE The Judgment amount  
was \$429,549.66. Sale Terms: This is an "AS  
IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder  
must deposit 25% down by certified funds;  
balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours.  
NO REFUNDS. The subject property is sub-  
ject to general real estate taxes, special as-  
sessments or special taxes levied against said  
real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for  
sale without any representation as to quality or  
quantity of title and without recourse to plain-  
tiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation  
by the court. Upon payment in full of the bid  
amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certi-

ficate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser  
to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation  
of the sale. The property will NOT be open for  
inspection. Prospective bidders are admon-  
ished to check the court file to verify all infor-  
mation. The successful purchaser has the sole  
responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or  
other individuals presently in possession of the  
subject premises. If this property is a con-  
dominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the  
foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall  
pay the assessments and the legal fees re-  
quired by The Condominium Property Act, 765  
ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). IF YOU ARE THE  
MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE  
THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION  
FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN OR-  
DER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLI-  
NOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.  
For information: Visit our website at <http://service.atty-pierce.com>. Between 3 p.m. and  
5 p.m. only - Pierce & Associates, Plaintiff's  
Attorneys, 1 North Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois  
60602. Tel. No. (312) 372-2060. Please refer to  
file #PA1102989 Plaintiff's attorney is not  
required to provide additional information other  
than that set forth in this notice of sale.  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE  
18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
DUPAGE COUNTY - WHEATON, ILLINOIS  
FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSO-  
CIATION (FANNIE MAE), A CORPORATION  
ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE  
LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMER-  
ICA

PLAINTIFF  
VS.  
FRANCISCO A DOMINGUEZ; MARIA  
DOMINGUEZ A/K/A MARIA C DOMINGUEZ;  
DEFENDANTS

2014 CH 001588  
151 EAST LORRAINE AVENUE  
ADDISON, IL 60101

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JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE  
UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE  
FORECLOSURE ACT

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TO COLLECT ON A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION  
OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT  
PURPOSE\*\*\* PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN THAT pursuant to a Judgment of Fore-  
closure and Sale entered by said Court in the  
above entitled cause on October 28, 2014,  
DU PAGE COUNTY SHERIFF IN DU PAGE  
County, Illinois, will on April 2, 2015, in 501  
North County Farm Road, Wheaton, IL 60187,  
at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to  
the highest bidder for cash, all and singular,  
the following described real estate mentioned  
in said Judgment, situated in the County of DU  
PAGE, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as  
shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

TAX NO. 03-33-207-002 COMMONLY  
KNOWN AS: 151 EAST LORRAINE AVENUE  
ADDISON, IL 60101 Description of im-  
provements: TWO STORY SINGLE FAMILY  
HOME; TWO CAR DETACHED GARAGE  
The Judgment amount was \$356,365.80. Sale  
Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH".  
The successful bidder must deposit 25%  
down by certified funds; balance, by certified  
funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS. The  
subject property is subject to general real  
estate taxes, special assessments or special  
taxes levied against said real estate, water  
bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any  
representation as to quality or quantity of title  
and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is  
further subject to confirmation by the court.  
Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the  
purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale,  
which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to  
the real estate after confirmation of the sale.  
The property will NOT be open for inspection.  
Prospective bidders are admonished to check  
the court file to verify all information. The suc-  
cessful purchaser has the sole responsibility/  
expense of evicting any tenants or other in-  
dividuals presently in possession of the subject  
premises. If this property is a condominium  
unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclo-  
sure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay  
the assessments and the legal fees required

by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS  
605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). IF YOU ARE THE  
MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE  
THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION  
FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN OR-  
DER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLI-  
NOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.  
For information: Visit our website at <http://service.atty-pierce.com>. Between 3 p.m. and  
5 p.m. only - Pierce & Associates, Plaintiff's  
Attorneys, 1 North Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois  
60602. Tel. No. (312) 372-2060. Please refer to  
file #PA1405342 Plaintiff's attorney is not  
required to provide additional information other  
than that set forth in this notice of sale.  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE  
EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT -  
COUNTY OF DU PAGE, STATE OF ILLINOIS  
US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS  
TRUSTEE FOR CMAA REMIC 2007-A7 -  
REMIC PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES  
SERIES 2007-A7,  
Plaintiff(s),  
vs.  
KAREN TANGORRA,  
Defendant(s).

13 CH 3538  
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE  
OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE  
FORECLOSURE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT pursuant  
to a Judgment heretofore entered by the said  
Court in the above entitled cause, the Sheriff  
of DuPage County, Illinois, will on March 31,  
2015, at the hour of 10:00 AM, at the Du-  
page County Sheriff's Office, 501 North County  
Farm Road, Wheaton, IL 60187, sell at pub-  
lic auction to the highest and best bidder for  
cash, all and singular, the following described  
premises and real estate in the said Judgment  
mentioned, situated in the County of DuPage,  
State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be  
sufficient to satisfy said Judgment, to wit:

Common Address: 515 W NATALIE LN,  
ADDISON, IL 60101

P.I.N. 03-29-208-008  
Contact the Law Office of IRA T. NEVEL,  
LLC, 175 North Franklin, Suite 201, Chicago,  
Illinois 60606, (312) 357-1125, for further in-  
formation.

The terms of the sale are: Ten percent  
(10%) due by cash or certified funds at the  
time of the sale and balance is due within 24  
hours of the sale. The subject property is sub-  
ject to real estate taxes, special assessments or  
special taxes levied against said real estate  
and is offered for sale without any representa-  
tion as to quality or quantity of title and without  
recourse to Plaintiff and in "as is" condition.  
The sale is further subject to confirmation by  
the Court.

The property is improved by a single fam-  
ily residence, together with all buildings and  
improvements thereon, and the tenements,  
hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto  
belonging and will not be available for inspec-  
tion prior to sale.

If this property is a condominium unit, the  
purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale,  
other than a mortgagee shall pay the assess-  
ments and the legal fees required by The Con-  
dominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1)  
and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium  
unit which is part of a common interest com-  
munity, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclo-  
sure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the  
assessments required by The Condominium  
Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

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# Free-throw shooting decides IC loss

By MATT LE CREN  
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GLEN ELLYN – Free-throw shooting has not been the forte for Glenbard South's boys basketball team this season.

The Raiders, however, picked a good time to get hot from the charity stripe, sinking their first 15 attempts and 24-of-29 overall while knocking off IC Catholic 66-57 Tuesday night in Glen Ellyn.

"They shot great at the line," IC coach T.J. Tyrell said. "At halftime I think they were 14-of-14 and we did a poor job of boxing out."

"They had second- and third-shot opportunities that they took advantage of as well as getting us to [commit] turnovers. We didn't have a lot of energy, which was a little disappointing because we had been playing so well."

IC (13-12 overall, 3-8 Metro Suburban West) led 29-21 with 5:17 left in the second quarter when Glenbard South coach Wade Hardtke called a timeout and told his players to relax and let the game come to them.

The Raiders responded with an 11-0 run to take the lead. The Knights tied it at 32-32 but Povilas Riauba sank a 3-pointer to give the Raiders the lead for good with 1:15 left in the half.

Austin Reed scored a game-high 18 points and Troy Burrows added 16 for IC, which made three more baskets than Glenbard South and blocked



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Immaculate Conception's Troy Burrows (right) dribbles past Timothy Christian's Ben Lodewyk on Jan. 23. Burrows and the Knights have one more regular season game left before the Class 2A playoffs.

## IC Catholic playoff outlook

■ **CLASS:** 2A  
■ **REGIONAL:** Lisle  
■ **SECTIONAL:** El Paso-Gridley

■ **REGIONAL SEED:** No. 3  
■ **FIRST GAME:** 7:30 p.m. Monday vs. No. 6 Westmont

10 shots, including four each by Will Lyles and Jordan Rowell.

IC closes the regular season by host-

ing Aurora Central Catholic at 7:30 p.m. tonight before starting postseason play next week.

## PREP ROUNDUP

# TC boys basketball keeps pace in conference race

SUBURBAN LIFE MEDIA

Timothy Christian's boys basketball team beat Walther Christian 49-20 Tuesday to keep pace in the Metro Suburban East race. Ben Lodewyk had 13 points.

Timothy travels to Chicago Christian tonight in a meeting of two of the three conference leaders.

## BOYS BASKETBALL IC Catholic

Before Tuesday's loss against Glenbard South, the Knights beat Wheaton Academy 53-41 on Feb. 13 with 23 points from Troy Burrows.

## Addison Trail

The Blazers lost two West Suburban Gold games in the past week and have now lost six of the past seven conference games. Proviso East won in Addison 69-60 Feb. 13. AT traveled to Cicero on Tuesday for a game at conference-leading Morton, which the Blazers lost 51-35.

## GIRLS BASKETBALL York

The Dukes opened the playoffs by beating Hoffman Estates 58-47 in a regional semifinal Tuesday at Wheaton North. York played Bartlett in the regional final Thursday.

## IC Catholic

The Knights advanced to a Class 2A sectional final with a 62-14 win against St. Benedict on Monday. IC hosted Christ the King in the sectional final Thursday.

## Addison Trail

Elk Grove beat the Blazers 49-28 in a regional quarterfinal Monday.

## Timothy Christian

The Trojans beat Rowe-Clark Math & Science Academy 60-14 in a regional quarterfinal Monday. Kaitlyn Gehrke led the way with 14 points. Ellie Wiener and Juliana Stremmer scored 12 points each.

North Lawndale beat Timothy 78-40 in a regional semifinal Tuesday. Gehrke scored 16 points in the loss. The Trojans finished the season with a 14-13 record.

## WRESTLING IC Catholic

Joey Bianchini took second place in the Class 1A Wilmington sectional to qualify for state at 106 pounds.

## Addison Trail

Anthony Metallo advanced to state from the Glenbard North sectional by placing second at 145 pounds. Jamie Valdez was one win away from also qualifying for state.

## GIRLS GYMNASTICS Addison Trail

In addition to her automatic state qualifying berth in the uneven bars, Kennedy O'Neill earned at-large qualifying spots in the all-around and the balance beam.

# Dukes' duo eyes pair of state medals in wrestling

By DAN SANTAROMITA  
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CAROL STREAM – Neither Mike Ordonez nor Tommy Helton were entirely surprised to qualify for state wrestling, but both were thrilled to do so.

Both York wrestlers placed second at the Glenbard North sectional, Ordonez at 138 pounds and Alexander at 285.

Ordonez and Helton both took third in the Leyden regional a week before, but improved at the sectional.

"It was the greatest feeling in the world, coming from last year and not making it through regionals," Ordonez said. "It's the greatest feeling in the world knowing that all the hard work pays off."

"After that semifinals match it felt like I was a 106-pounder," Helton said of winning the match that clinched a state berth. "All my weight was just lifted off my shoulders. It was just awesome."

Ordonez wanted to bounce back after what he felt was a disappointing regional showing, which included a semifinal loss to Leyden's Jeremiah Recinos. At the sectional, Ordonez won his first two matches to earn a semifinal against Lane Tech's Jake Davis, who entered with a 31-4 record and beat Recinos in the quarterfinals. Ordonez won 9-5.

Helton had confidence just from getting out of a tough regional the week before. He pinned Notre Dame's Frank Pavlik in the quarterfinals and won in overtime against Glenbard West's Darien Kaufmann in the semifinals.

"Getting out of regionals was going to be the tough part that we knew," Helton said. "After getting out of regionals I kind of expected to get this far."

Both wrestlers said their goal at state is to make the medal stand. The top six of 16 wrestlers earn all-state medals.

"That's always been my goal to get down there and get on the medal stand," Helton said. "Hopefully a state championship match. At my weight class anybody can take it."