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## Bucky the Blazer greets Army Trail kindergartners

Addison Trail mascot Bucky the Blazer joined junior Faith Czorniak in welcoming three kindergartners from Army Trail Elementary School. Pictured from left are Katherine Pulido, Mylie Amaya and Maya Rodriguez, who took part in the new "College-Bound Buddy" program. Full story and photo inside this issue.

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# New important information about Senate Bill 1

**If passed, District 88 could lose more than \$3 million**

ADDISON/VILLA PARK — Earlier this school year, District 88 shared information about Senate Bill 16, which would have made sweeping changes in how the state funds education.

That bill did not pass, and your support is appreciated. However, there is a new bill called Senate Bill 1, which is a reintroduced version of Senate Bill 16 which will change how school districts are funded by the state.

The most important part: Under Senate Bill 1, District 88 stands to lose \$3.3 to \$3.7 million annually.

That reduction in state funding would put District 88's high academic achievement, quality staff and excellent programs at serious risk, administrators said. Its biggest impact would be in the classroom, where cost cuts will affect

students.

"Senate Bill 1 would have an extremely negative impact on District 88," said Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton. "We encourage parents/guardians and community members to voice their opinions against this bill. We're proud District 88 provides a comprehensive education for all of our students, and we want to ensure that continues for years to come.

"Our mission is to work for the continuous improvement of student achievement, and Senate Bill 1 does not support that mission."

Voters are urged to contact their Illinois legislators and voice your opinion. To look up and e-mail your legislators, visit [ieane.org/legislative/find-your-legislators](http://ieane.org/legislative/find-your-legislators). A sample letter is available at [dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=2167](http://dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=2167). For more information about Senate Bill 1, visit [tinyurl.com/onbecq](http://tinyurl.com/onbecq).



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**Newcomer, three incumbents elected to District 88 Board**

**ADDISON/VILLA PARK** — With four open seats, five candidates threw their hats in the ring for the District 88 Board of Education. Unofficial results show the winners as Jan Donovan, Tim Gillen, Sharon Kucik and Lisa Lullo. Gillen, Kucik and Lullo are incumbents who were re-elected. Donovan ran for the first time.

**Jan Donovan**

Donovan is new to the Board, and we look forward to welcoming him. He has been in education for 17 years and has worked with a variety of districts as a consultant for almost eight years.

**Tim Gillen**

Gillen has served on the Board since 2011. He has been on several Board committees and his two sons graduated from Willowbrook.

**Sharon Kucik**

Serving since 2007, Kucik has been on several Board committees and is President of the District 88 Foundation. Her three children are Willowbrook graduates.

**Lisa Lullo**

An Addison Trail alumna, Lullo has served on the Board since 2011. Her four children graduated from Addison Trail as well. She also has served on several Board committees.

"School Board members serve their communities without monetary compensation to make public education the best it can be for every child," said District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton in his latest newsletter column. "Their policies and oversight guide the district as tough decisions are made on complex education and social issues that affect the entire community and the lives of individual students. They serve many hours attending meetings, workshops and events to ensure a high-quality educational environment at District 88.

"I would like to personally thank all of the candidates for running for the District 88 Board of Education. Having three incumbent members continue on the Board shows their dedication to our students, and I appreciate their support and passion in accomplishing our mission of working for the continuous improvement of student achievement."

The four candidates will be officially sworn in at the Board meeting scheduled for May 4, 2015. They will join Board members Donna Craft Cain, Jay Irvin and Thomas Edmier. For more information, Helton can be reached at Shelton@dupage88.net or 630-530-3980.



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**At District 4 Foundation's Family Fun Fair**

Hopeful eyes watch carefully to see if the ball goes into the basketball hoop, just one of the games available at the 10th annual Family Fun Fair, hosted by the Addison School District 4 Foundation on Friday, April 10. Games, food and other musical entertainment completed the evening's activities.

**Rep. Willis, Park District offers free recycling, paper-shredding May 9**

**ADDISON** — In a continuing effort to protect the environment and the safety of consumers, State Rep. Kathleen Willis (D-Addison) will be co-sponsoring a free recycling and paper shredding event with the Addison Park District on Saturday, May 9 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Community Recreation Center Parking Lot, located at 120 E. Oak St.

"Many people have items that can be recycled but are confused or unaware of where to take them," said Willis. "I am sponsoring this event for residents to come and take advantage of this opportunity to recycle a wide variety of items including electronics, medical equipment, eye glasses, and other household items."

Besides recycling, a paper shredding service will be provided. Individuals can bring no more than five boxes of documents to be shredded.

"Shredding sensitive documents is one of the best ways to minimize the risk of identity theft," said Willis. "This event is aimed at providing people the peace of mind in knowing their sensitive information will not fall into the wrong hands."

**Upcoming Addison Park District events**

**ADDISON** — The following events are being sponsored by the Addison Park District. Unless otherwise indicated with each event, contact the Park District at: 630-833-0100 or visit [addison-parks.org](http://addison-parks.org) for more information.

**Friday, April 17: Movie in the Gym: "Annie"**

Bring a blanket or a lawn chair for the family and enjoy watching "Annie" starting at 6:30 p.m. on the big screen at Centennial Rec. Center, 1776 W. Centennial Place. The movie is free; concessions will be available to purchase. Children must remain seated and quiet.

**Saturday, April 18: Indoor garage sale**

Whether you're searching for children's toys, jewelry, lamps, books or CDs, you will find bargains galore at this fast-growing, treasure-filled sale that will take place from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Centennial Rec Center gym. Concessions will be available for purchase during the sale. Sellers must pre-register for 1 or 2 eight-foot tables. Someone must be present at the table the entire time. Vendors are not allowed.

One space is \$13; two spaces are \$26 (bring your own tables). There also will be at \$5 charge for electrical use.

**Hot Doggy Dash re-schedule**

Due to the current Dog Flu Epidemic, the Hot Doggy Dash has been rescheduled for Saturday, Aug. 8. It's a Fun Run 3K walk/run with

hotdogs at the Finish Line! (running with your pet is optional). Walk or run around Centennial Park. Pet vendors will be on site. Hot dogs are available for all who finish the race. Prizes will be given for first, second and third place overall. There also will be prizes for most the creatively dressed dog and owner. For more information, call Adam Vasquez at 630-233-7275, Option 2 or email [avasquez@addisonparks.org](mailto:avasquez@addisonparks.org)

**Saturday, May 9: Park Pride Recycling Extravaganza**

The Addison Park District's Park Pride Recycling Extravaganza will be held from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Community Rec Center parking lot. There will be electronics recycling, light bulb recycling, gym shoes recycling, paper-shredding, American flags, glasses and hearing aids, musical instruments, musical equipment, medical equipment, crayons and keys, bicycles and prescription drugs.

Items that will not be accepted for recycling: household hazardous waste, baby furniture and equipment, air conditioners, smoke detectors, thermostats, fire extinguishers, household batteries, furniture, bowling balls, propane tanks and scrap metal.

For detailed information as to what will be allowed to be recycled, call 630-233-7275 or visit the Park District website. To volunteer, call 620-233-7275 by Friday, May 1.

# Army Trail K's meet 'College-Bound Buddies'

**ADDISON** — On April 7, Addison Trail students who are Blazer Ambassadors met with kindergarten students from Army Trail Elementary School as part of the new "College-Bound Buddy" program that was implemented this year.

"District 88 and Addison Elementary School District 4 have a great collaboration and meet frequently, and during one of our meetings, we discussed the diversity of the families in our districts and how college isn't always a focus," said Debra Martello, principal of Army Trail.

"We wanted to create a program that would

expose the younger students to the idea that college is an obtainable goal."

About 90 students from each school are involved in the program, and they will meet three times during this school year. The first session took place this past fall at Army Trail, and the "buddies" participated in a get-to-know-you activity and toured the school. Since that meeting, the students have stayed in touch as pen pals. On April 7, the students toured Addison Trail and drew pictures of what they want to do when they grow up.



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**Addison Trail senior Kimberly Schonder (left) and Army Trail kindergartner Brianna Hernandez work together on an activity as part of the "College-Bound Buddy" program, new to the high school this year. The initiative brings high school students together with those in elementary school to expose the younger children to the idea that attending college is an obtainable goal.**

## District 4 Foundation holds 10th annual Family Fun Fair

**ADDISON** — The ASD4 Educational Foundation held its 10th annual Family Fun Fair at Indian Trail Junior High on Friday, April 10. The event featured unlimited free games for students, thanks to the generous contribution of time, games, and prizes by a number of community supporters including the ASD4 school PTAs and PTOs, the Addison Park District, the Addison Teachers Association, and a large number of staff and student volunteers from Addison Trail High School.



**This student digs through a box of prizes to find exactly which one she wants. Prizes were awarded for the games played at the ASD4 Family Fun Fair last week at Indian Trail school.**

More than 200 Lake Park School students, under the direction of their music teacher Elyse Willis, were at the event to perform musical selections from concerts held throughout the school year. The Indian Trail Jazz Ensemble, directed by Donnie Sujack, entertained the fun fair crowd later in the evening, performing a variety of jazz favorites.

**Mini-grants awarded to teachers**

Another highlight of the evening was the presentation of

50 mini-grant award checks to teachers who had applied for funding for special classroom projects and initiatives. This year, a record number of teachers applied and the Foundation was able to award \$24,000 for these projects.

The Foundation raises funds through participation in three fundraising events held each

year—the Addison Mayor's Community Charity Ball, the PIE Foundation Dinner/Theater Fundraiser, and the Family Fun Fair. Donations are also provided by parents, staff, and other members of the Addison community. For more information, visit the Educational Foundation webpage at [asd4.org](http://asd4.org).



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**The Lake Park School singers, made up of 4th and 5th graders, performed at the Family Fun Fair held at Indian Trail Junior High on Friday, April 10. The group sang some of the songs they had done at previous concerts throughout the year.**

## Center for the Arts hosting exhibition through May 2

**ADDISON** — The Addison Center for the Arts presents "Fluid Motion," an exhibition by Jeanine Hill-Soldner, now through Saturday, May 2 at the ACA Gallery, 213 N. Lombard Road, annexed on the north side of Addison Trail High School (enter door No. 4).

The artist's reception will be held from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, April 18. Refreshments will be served and the public is welcome free to this exhibit.

Gallery hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday. Private tours can be made by appointment. Call 630-458-4500 or go to [addisoncenterforthearts.org](http://addisoncenterforthearts.org) for more information. This exhibit is partially funded by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council Agency.

Soldner is a resident of Algonquin. She is an award winning artist and educator with a Masters Art Ed. from the University of Illinois. Her art has been featured in many publications and her profile was featured on PBS.

## Center for the Arts gears up for evening of Art, Wine and Music

**ADDISON** — On Friday, May 1 beginning at 7 p.m., all are invited to join the Addison Center for the Arts for its annual evening of Art, Wine and Music in the Village Hall Rotunda. Tickets are \$35 per person and include two drink tickets, hors d'oeuvres, a silent auction and a door prize drawing. Musical entertainment will be provided by the Papo Jazz Trio.

Purchasing tickets in advance is highly recommended and must be done by April 27, 2015. For tickets and more information, call 630-458-4500 or visit [addisoncenterforthearts.org](http://addisoncenterforthearts.org).

## Art Guild's Spring Members Exhibit on display through April 24

**ADDISON** — The Addison Art Guild is featuring its annual Spring Members Exhibit now through April 24 at the Addison Village Hall Rotunda, One Friendship Plaza.

A reception will be held from 7-9 p.m. Friday, April 17. Refreshments will be served and the show is open free to the public from 9 a.m. into the evening.

More than 50 original works of art will be on display and for sale. Acrylic, oil, watercolor, colored pencil, mixed media, pastel and sculpture will be featured.

# SPORTS

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## Fenton softball team turns things up a notch

### Bison go 6-4 through first 10 games of season

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

In all facets, the Fenton softball team has taken the next step during a recent stretch of games.

The Bison went 5-0 during a recent run, outscoring opponents by a combined 75-13. The 5-0 record moved Fenton to 6-4 overall.

Fenton swept a recent non-conference doubleheader from Proviso West. Fenton won the opener 12-0 with Dana Fritz earning the win. Fritz was the winner in Game 2, a 23-7 Fenton triumph.

The Bison also recorded recent wins over Elmwood Park (12-2), IMSA (18-4) and Von Steuben (10-0). Fritz earned

wins in the Elmwood Park and Von Steuben contests, while Jenna Geraci was the winning pitcher against IMSA.

"We are putting together solid pitching with an improving defense and offense that really is starting to heat up," said Fenton coach Dave Mello late last week. "More importantly our energy and enthusiasm has really increased in the last 10 days."

Fenton's offense has made improvements due to putting the ball in play of late. "The offense is doing a good job of putting pressure on the other teams' defenses by limiting our strikeouts and easy pop flies," Mello noted. "We are hitting the ball really hard and forcing the opposition to make tough plays in the field."

Mello said the team's defense continues to be a work in progress, however the Bison had no errors in the Elmwood Park game, a contest Mello called, "the biggest win of our season."

The coach added limiting walks issued to the other team also has been a key talking point early on. "When we have limited the walks, we have done a nice job," he said. "When we walk batters it almost always seems to lead to an error or two, which leads to the big inning for our opponent."

On the individual front, freshman Rose Riley has taken over at third base with Diana Pikul out and has responded by going on a 9-for-21 tear (.429) with one double, one triple, one homer and six RBI.

Junior Jill Mrugacz has been a key cog out of the leadoff spot where she was hitting .462 (12-for-26) and had a .611 on-base percentage to go with nine stolen bases through late last week.

In the pitching circle, Fritz, who has committed to Elmhurst College, was 5-1 with a 2.63 ERA through late last week.

Mello felt a recent 18-0 loss to Elk Grove carried some positives. "As crazy as it seems I really felt something clicked with this team in that loss to Elk Grove," he said. "Everything about us just felt better. I told them immediately after the game about that and since that game we went on a five-game winning streak. We are far from the finished product, but I am extremely happy with the way we have been playing. Also, we have yet to play a game with our full team. Once everyone is back, I expect us to continue to get better and better."

Fenton has a busy week with five weekday games scheduled, including contests against IC Catholic Prep Thursday at home and Addison Trail Friday on the road. The Bison were slated to play Illiana Christian, St. Edward and Montini (at Bandits Stadium in Rosemont) earlier this week.

## Addison Trail boys volleyball team off to hot start

### Blazers open conference play with win over Hinsdale South

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

The Addison Trail boys volleyball team's potential going into the season has carried over into actual matches.

The Blazers were 3-1 overall through their first four matches and recently opened West Suburban Conference Gold Division play with a 25-14, 25-21 win over Hinsdale South.

In the win over Hinsdale

South, Alex Dickmann led the way with 11 kills. Jack Vrchota had five kills. Zach Vaca added three kills and seven digs, while Kevin Andrews had 20 assists.

In a 25-20, 12-25, 27-25 non-conference win over Lake Park, Dickmann had 17 kills and 10 digs. Kannon Nelms and Vrchota each had seven kills and Andrews handed out 37 assists.

Blazers coach Chad Grant has observed progress in the area of passing for his team. "Our passing is above average right now, but we still have a lot of room for growth," he said. "Our offense has been another positive right now as

a result of our passing. Our hitters have been very efficient when they get a good set."

Grant would like to see the team continue to advance on defense. "We need to improve a lot in this area," he noted. "We made some nice strides (recently), so we are headed in the right direction. We have a lot of small blockers right now so we are making the necessary adjustments and finding out what defense will work best for us. Blocking is a work in progress due to our lack of height at some positions. We have some kids playing front row for the first time so they are still early in the learning process. When

Joey Nasti returns from injury that will help a lot."

Grant cited strong play from Jonny Valentini and Zach Vaca.

"Jonny is passing very well for us and Zach has played very smart in his first four matches playing outside hitter," the coach said. "He has done everything I have asked of him."

Grant added the team has been battling through injuries during the early portion of the season.

"We need to improve in all areas," he said. "We are fighting the consistency battle right now. We haven't had a whole lot of opportunities to scrim-

mage in practice due to injuries. Every match is very valuable to us right now. We are looking better with each match."

Grant said the team's lone loss to start the season helped put things in perspective for the Blazers. "We have faced a little adversity here at the start of the season," he said. "The boys were a little surprised to lose their first match but they have responded since then. They know they have a lot of work to do."

Addison Trail was slated to face Proviso East (WSC Gold match) and Elgin (non-conference) this week.

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# Willowbrook baseball team getting it done with the bats

**Warriors put up 80 runs in five recent conference wins**

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

The Willowbrook baseball team wore out home plate during a recent five-game stretch.

The Warriors scored 80 runs in five West Suburban Conference Gold Division victories. The wins moved Willowbrook to 9-2 overall and 5-0 in conference play.

Willowbrook swept a three-game conference series from Proviso East. The Warriors won the first game 27-0 in five innings. Willowbrook scored 13 runs in the first inning, six in the second and eight in the third.

Luke Scheumer had three hits and four RBI. John Halloran had two hits and three RBI. Matt Pizur added three RBI. Cameron Zunkel was the winning pitcher. He struck out eight in three innings of work.

In an 11-0 win over Proviso West in five innings, Chris Roycroft and Ronnie Reitz combined to throw a five-inning no-hitter. Roycroft worked the

first 4 1/3 innings and struck out 10. Reitz pitched the final 2/3 of an inning.

Cameron Murer had three hits. Mark Molitor had three RBI, while Halloran added two RBI. Willowbrook had nine hits in the game.

The Warriors then completed the sweep with a 16-1 win in five innings. Willowbrook had 18 hits. It scored four runs in the first, eight in the second and four more in the third. Proviso East was held to one hit.

Ligocki had two hits and two RBI. Austin Debok and Pizur each had two hits. Jon Kelso had four RBI, while Zunkel had two RBI. Pizur was the winning pitcher. He struck out nine in five innings.

Willowbrook then swept a WSC Gold doubleheader from District 88 neighbor Addison Trail.

Willowbrook won the first game 10-0 in five innings. The Warriors had 10 hits and held Addison Trail to two hits.

Zunkel had three hits and three RBI. Trey Jones also had three hits and three RBI, while Kyle Martyniuk had three hits and two RBI. Zunkel was the winning pitcher. He struck out seven in five innings.

Willowbrook also won the finale 16-1 in five innings. The Warriors had 11 hits.

Kyle Ferguson and Ligocki

each had two hits and four RBI. Jones had two hits, while Murer had two RBI.

Roycroft was the winning

pitcher. He struck out five in five innings.

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#### Create Your Party Package

Choose 1 Entree & 3 Hot or Cold Sides... 9.00 per person  
 Choose 2 Entrees & 1 Hot or Cold Sides... 11.00 per person  
 Choose 3 Entrees & 4 Hot or Cold Sides... 13.00 per person

Chicken Parmigiana • Pork Roast & Apples • Italian Beef  
 Italian Sausage & Peppers • Italian Beef • Chicken Vesuvio  
 Eggplant Parmigiana • Chicken Marsala • Chicken Piccata  
 Chicken Limone • Stuffed Shells • Lasagna • Ravioli

#### CATERING

Antipasto Salad • Di Leo's House Salad • Caesar Salad  
 Spinach & Strawberry Salad • Pasta Salad  
 Cole Slaw • Harvest Salad • Fruit Salad (Seasonal)

#### HOT SIDES

Mini Penne Marinara • Pasta, Oil, Garlic & Broccoli  
 Baked Mostaccioli • Rigatoni Primavera • Penne Vodka  
 Oven Roasted Potatoes • Smashed Potatoes Baked  
 Vegetable Medley • Broccoli & Cheese • Green Beans  
 Anna Marie Pizza Bread • Garlic Bread

All Packages Under 20 People Add \$1.00 Per Person  
 All Packages Under 10 People Add \$2.00 Per Person  
 Beer & Sherry \$6.00 Per Set (Maximum 400)

#### Catered Desserts

Tiramisu (4-6 inch round)	Half Tray	36.00
Miniature Cannoli (Hart Dipper)	Half Tray	30.00
	Full Tray	45.00
Cookie & Brownie Tray	Small 24.00 • Large	45.00
Cookies (24 Hour Notice)	Small (3 doz) 19.00 • Large (6 doz)	30.00
Miniature Pastry		46.00
(Tray of 48 Assorted Mini Cannoli Neapolitan Eclair & Cream Puffs "Take the Plunge")		
Enjoy your guests with a tray of our world famous Cannoli filling surrounded by homemade Cannoli shells to just purchase and enjoy.		45.00

**• BASEBALL**

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In earlier action, Willowbrook edged Glenbard East 3-2 in eight innings. Ferguson had Willowbrook's only hit in the game to win it.

"Their kid had a no-hitter going against us," said Willowbrook coach Vic Wisner. "We were able to eke out a couple base on balls and we got the game tied at 2-2 and then won in extra innings."

Zunkel pitched all eight innings to earn the win. He threw only 85 pitches. "He was efficient with his pitches and was getting ahead in the count. He gave up only two hits," said Wisner. "Their kid pitched phenomenal as well. We used a couple of mistakes and the base on balls to our advantage."

Willowbrook edged Batavia 4-3 in a non-conference game played at Pfund Field in Wheaton.

Mike Petruzzi tripled and scored the winning run on Jones' sacrifice fly. Pizur pitched the first six innings and Matt Garbacz came in to pitch the seventh and got the win.

"We did a nice job in that game with bunting guys over and stealing bases," said Wisner.

The Warriors then dropped a 7-4 game to West Chicago. Joe Strem started for Willowbrook.

"Joe didn't pitch poorly, we just didn't give him a ton of support," said Wisner. "We got down 4-0 early and kicked the ball around a little bit."

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Chicago game.

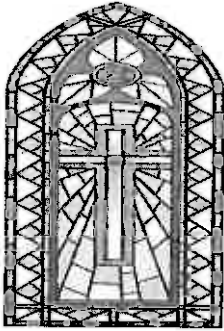
After the Proviso East series, Zunkel was 3-1 with a 1.40 ERA on the mound. Scheumer was hitting .390 with a team-best 11 RBI. Jones was hitting .350 and Ferguson, a sophomore, was batting .340.

"I'm really happy with what we are doing," said Wisner. "Last year we had some pretty big hitters on the team. This team this year plays really good defense and we have good pitching. Almost all our games at the beginning of the season were one-run or extra-inning games. These guys play good situational baseball and do all the little things I like. With these one-run games, guys feel very comfortable with what they are doing.

They are practicing well and it's paid off. We keep getting better."

Willowbrook finished up its three-game series with Addison Trail earlier this week. The Warriors play Oak Park-River Forest Thursday in a WSC crossover game and then open a key three-game Gold Division series Friday against Downers Grove South at home. The series continues Saturday at 2 p.m. at Willowbrook and concludes next Monday at Downers South.

"Downers South is a big series for us," said Wisner. "It definitely will be a good opportunity to see where we stand. We're looking forward to it."



# Worship Services Listings

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**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH** LCMS

SATURDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 5:00 P.M.  
SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES  
8:30 Traditional and 11:00 Family  
ADULT BIBLE STUDY AND CHILDREN'S  
SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.



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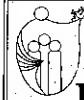
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**Wednesdays**  
Chi-Rho (6, 7, 8th graders):  
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IPOG (high school):  
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Sunday at 8:15 and 10:30 AM

Wednesday at 7 PM

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## Easter Seals holds its Run for the Kids: Superhero Hustle on Saturday

Easter Seals DuPage and Fox Valley will hold its 12th annual Run for the Kids Superhero Hustle 5-kilometer run/2-mile walk on Saturday, May 2. The run/walk begins at 9 a.m. Race day registration and participant check-in takes place from 7:30-8:45 a.m. Easter Seals DuPage and Fox Valley is located at 830 S. Ave., Villa Park. Parking will be available in the lot of Community Presbyterian Church at 1111 E. Madison St., Lombard, as well as on side streets unaffected by the race route.

Participants are encouraged to dress as their favorite superhero, or to create an identity of their own. Strollers and

wheelchairs are welcome and encouraged.

The event will benefit the mission of Easter Seals DuPage and Fox Valley to enable infants, children, and adults with disabilities to achieve maximum independence, and to provide support for the families who love and care for them.

Advance registration, which ends today, April 29, is \$25 per person. Race day registration is \$30 per person. All pre-registered participants will receive a T-shirt. The event will include awards, refreshments, entertainment, a face painter, a kids dash and a silent auction.

Call 630-282-2029 for more information.

## Dist. 45 offers free screenings on May 22; appointments required

School District 45 will conduct free developmental screenings for children on Friday, May 22. Children must be 3 years of age by the date of the screening. They should live in the district, but not be currently enrolled in kindergarten.

Appointments are necessary for the free screenings. Parents who suspect their child has a disability can make an appointment by calling Sharon Mallin at the District 45 office at 630-516-7318.

The screening process identifies how the

child is currently developing. Assessed areas include: speech and language, vision and hearing, motor skills and cognitive development.

The screening is conducted by professional school staff in a variety of pleasant playroom situations.

Each screening takes approximately 60 to 120 minutes. Screening results are shared with parents.

The screenings are offered in both English and Spanish.

## Questions? Comments?

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## District 88's Best...

WILLOWBROOK HIGH SCHOOL senior Kelly McNamara (above, left) of Villa Park was her school's recipient of the District 88's Best award for the month of February. McNamara, who is pictured with Willowbrook Principal Dan Krause, was recognized at the District 88 Board of Education meeting on April 13. (She had schedule conflicts after the honor was announced in February and was unable to attend a board meeting until April 13.) Each month of the school year, the board of education presents the District 88's Best award to students from each of the district's two schools—Willowbrook and Addison Trail high schools. The award recognizes students for their achievements both inside and outside the classroom. When she graduates in June, McNamara will have completed seven Advanced Placement (AP) courses, along with a long list of honors courses. She has maintained a class ranking within the top 25 percent of Willowbrook's Class of 2015. She's also an inductee of the World Language Honor Society and her school's social studies honor society—Civitas. A standout member of the Addison Trail/Willowbrook girls swim team, McNamara qualified for the IHSA state meet in each of her four seasons. As a sophomore, she swam to a sixth-place finish in the 100-yard butterfly event at the 2012 state meet. One year later, she earned a second-place showing in the same event. On Nov. 22, 2014, McNamara won the state championship in the 100-meter butterfly. She completed the championship race at the state meet in Evanston in 54.83 seconds. McNamara, who is the first state swimming champion in District 88 history, will attend the University of Iowa, where she received a swimming scholarship.



## Best wishes, Mr. Bill...

Photo by Chris Fox

BILL BORGER (above), who spent 33 years as the custodian of the Iowa Community Center, retired last week. Borger, who is known as "Mr. Bill" to the children and adults at the community center, worked his last day on Friday. The 65-year-old Borger grew up in Elmhurst and attended grade school and high school at Immaculate Conception. He graduated from college with a degree in hotel/restaurant management, but soon discovered that field wasn't for him. "I would have been dead by the time I was 40," said Borger. "I needed something less stressful." Borger spent about seven years selling real estate in Elmhurst before signing on as the community center's custodian. "I do a little bit of everything," said Borger of his duties. "I fix a lot of stuff, electrical, heating, air conditioning; there's always something going on." The Iowa Community Center is home to several Villa Park Parks and Recreation Department activities and programs, including preschool classes and daycare for young children. "The kids are here every day," said Borger, whose wife Kathy is a preschool teacher at the center. "I'm going to miss them." Borger enjoys performing magic tricks for the children. "I interact with them; I spur their imagination," he said. "I treat them like adults. They like that." About 10 years ago, while working a double shift, Borger heard a young girl screaming in front of the center. "A pit bull's got her by the foot," recalled Borger. "I grabbed the pit bull. He would not let her go. Someone called 9-1-1 and the police showed up [and shot the dog]." Borger received an award from the village for his actions to help the girl. Borger and his wife have lived in Villa Park for about 25 years. Their two adult children—daughter Stacy and son Dan—both graduated from Willowbrook High School. When his children were growing up, Borger's regular work schedule of 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. (it used to be 5 a.m. to 2 p.m.) allowed him to be home when the kids' school day ended. Dan now lives in Alabama, while Stacy lives in a house in Villa Park, not far from her parents' home. Borger says that his wife and daughter have several projects for him at both homes. "I'm sure I'll be busy for awhile," he said. "There are a lot of lists." Borger said he began to seriously consider retirement after the rough winter of 2013-14. "I was shoveling and snowplowing and mopping all the time," he said. Other than fishing, Borger isn't too sure what he will do to relax in his retirement years. "Everything's worked out well, but I'm kind of apprehensive," he said of his future. "I like to keep busy. I'm always on the go."



## Will cameras come to a stop?

THE ILLINOIS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES approved a bill last week (by a vote of 79-26) to ban red-light cameras in non-home rule municipalities, including Villa Park. State Rep. Deb Conroy, who represents the 46th District, which includes Villa Park, voted in favor of the bill. The legislation, which would ban the red-light cameras as of Jan. 1, 2017, will advance from the house to the Illinois State Senate. The Village of Villa Park has had four red-light cameras since 2009. The above photo shows a southbound view of Route 83 near Riverside Drive, near the entrance to Walmart. Two of the village's four red-light cameras are at that location. One monitors right turns from Route 83 westbound onto Riverside. Another tracks right turns from Riverside southbound onto Route 83. The village's other red-light cameras are located at the intersection of North and Villa avenues and at the intersection of Roosevelt Road and Summit Avenue. In March 2014, the Villa Park Village Board voted to extend the village's contract with RedSpeed Illinois through Feb. 28, 2020. RedSpeed Illinois, which is based in Lombard, manufactures red-light cameras. According to information provided by the village at the time of last year's vote, the village received \$450,248 in revenue from red-light cameras in 2013—an increase of about 63 percent from 2012, when the village collected about \$275,000. There were nearly 10,500 red-light citations issued in the village during 2013. The village received 67 percent of each fine collected for a violation, while RedSpeed Illinois collected the remaining 33 percent. The information provided at the time of last year's village board vote stated that vehicles registered to non-Villa Park residents received about 90 percent of the issued red-light citations in the village in 2015.

# Sports

## LOMBARDIAN VILLA PARK REVIEW

### Late surge lifts Warriors to a victory over Leyden

The Willowbrook softball team moved to 2-0 in West Suburban Gold Conference play and 11-5 overall by rallying to beat Leyden 8-7 on Friday in Villa Park.

The visiting Eagles scored three runs in the top of the sixth inning to take a 7-2 lead. Willowbrook responded by scoring four runs in the sixth inning to reduce Leyden's lead to 7-6. The Warriors held the Eagles scoreless in the top of the seventh inning and won the game with a pair of runs in the bottom of the inning. Senior Courtney Ruchala began the seventh-inning rally with a one-out single. She advanced to second base on a wild pitch and dove into home plate to score the tying run on a hit by

junior Zoe Dannenberg, who hustled all the way to third base on the play. Senior Alex Kassal ended the game moments later with a long fly ball over the drawn-in outfield that drove in Dannenberg with the winning run.

"I told them to stop being so dramatic," joked Willowbrook coach Rachel Karos after the Warriors' second straight one-run conference victory. (Willowbrook opened its WSGC season with a 10-9 win over Morton on April 20.) "It did look pretty grim. The girls deserve the credit. They believed in themselves."

Dannenberg went 3-for-5 and in the win over Leyden. Senior Sam Schmidt went 2-for-4 and drove in a pair of runs. Her single in the sixth



#### Play at the plate...

Photos by Chris Fox

SENIOR COURTNEY RUCHALA (above, center) of the Willowbrook softball team dives toward home plate during the bottom of the seventh inning of Friday's West Suburban Gold Conference game against Leyden. Ruchala scored on junior Zoe Dannenberg's hit to tie the score at 7-7. Senior Alex Kassal's subsequent hit brought in Dannenberg with the winning run to give the Warriors an 8-7 victory in Villa Park. Willowbrook trailed the Eagles 7-2 in the middle of the sixth inning before scoring four runs in the bottom of the sixth and adding two more runs in the seventh inning.



#### Winning hit...

WILLOWBROOK SENIOR Alex Kassal (above) launches a single to deep right field to bring in the winning run in Friday's West Suburban Gold Conference softball game against Leyden. Kassal's one-out hit deep to right field drove in junior Zoe Dannenberg from third base to give the Warriors an 8-7 victory. Kassal, Dannenberg and senior Courtney Ruchala provided hits during the seventh inning. Willowbrook scored four runs in the sixth inning and two more runs in the seventh to overcome a 7-2 deficit. The photo below shows the Warriors congratulating Kassal (No. 15) after her game-winning hit. Pictured left to right are seniors Francesca Santelli, Sam Schmidt, Kassal and Alyssa Ressler. Willowbrook improved its conference record to 2-0 with its win over Leyden. The Warriors moved to 3-0 in the WSGC, and 12-5 overall, with Monday's 23-4 victory at Hinsdale South.



inning brought in one run. A Leyden error on the play helped the Warriors score another run to cut the Eagles' lead to 7-5. Senior Delaney Pelsor then singled to drive in Schmidt. Pelsor went 2-for-4, as did Ruchala and senior Alyssa Ressler. Senior Erin Sporer went 3-for-4 and drove in one run.

Dannenberg pitched for the Warriors and earned the victory to

improve her record to 7-3.

Willowbrook didn't produce any drama in its third conference game of the season. The Warriors pounded Hinsdale South 23-4 in Monday's five-inning game in Darien to improve to 12-5 overall and 3-0 in the conference. Dannenberg, who handled the pitching duties and moved her record to 8-3, connected for four hits and drove in three runs.

Schmidt also had four hits, including a pair of home runs. She hit a two-run homer in the first inning and added a grand slam in the third inning. Monday's pair of long balls gave Schmidt eight homers this season.

Sporer and Kassal each hit one homer in Monday's rout of the Hornets. Both players drove in three runs. Ressler added four hits and a drove in a pair of runs.

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### A win for the Warriors...

SENIOR TOMMY KING (above, left) and JUNIOR JOE ERNST (right) helped the Willowbrook boys volleyball team to Thursday's 25-22, 25-20 victory over York in Villa Park. The non-conference victory gave the Warriors an overall record of 8-5. King handed out 27 assists and made three blocks. Ernst contributed three kills. Senior Liam Atkins provided a team-leading nine kills for Willowbrook. Senior Ryan Wakely added eight kills.

Volleyball photos by Chris Fox

## Improving Warriors defeat York

The Willowbrook boys volleyball team improved its overall season record to 8-5 with Thursday's 25-22, 25-20 non-conference victory over York in Villa Park.

"High energy—that's what wins sometimes," said Willowbrook coach Ryan Bazon, who urged the Warriors to keep their energy level up throughout the match. "There are so many momentum swings. If you can keep that energy for a longer amount of time, that can turn out well."

Senior Tommy King piled up 27 assists in the win over the Dukers. King distributed the ball to a balanced group of hitters. Senior Liam Atkins wound up with nine kills. Senior Ryan Wakely provided eight kills, while senior Kristian Johansen and junior Ian Walsh each had six kills.

"I feel like we played really well,"

said Atkins after the match. "We had lots of high energy. We just knew we were coming out as the better team. We pulled together and found our rhythm. Tommy King distributes the ball. He made a lot of nice connections."

"The better the pass, the more options you have as a setter," said King, who said the Warriors have improved since the beginning of the season. "We're playing a lot better as the year progresses."

Senior Anthony Acitelli made a team-leading 15 kills for the Warriors. Atkins, King and Walsh each recorded three blocks.

The Warriors improved their West Suburban Gold Conference record to 3-0 two days earlier with a 26-24, 25-16 win at Leyden on April 21. Walsh drilled six kills and two blocks in the

victory over the Eagles, while Wakely hit five kills. Atkins contributed four kills, two blocks and a pair of service aces. Johansen had three kills and three blocks. Junior Ivan Tassev turned in three blocks. King finished the match with 13 assists and four digs.



### District 45 run...

THE DISTRICT 45 PTA COUNCIL Just for Fun 5K Run attracted about 100 runners on Saturday morning. The event, which began and ended on the Illinois Prairie Path just west of Ardmore Avenue in Villa Park, took place in cold and rainy weather conditions. The winner of the 5-kilometer (about 3.1-mile) race was Alec Gruchalski (pictured below, moments after finishing the race), a District 45 alumnus who ran for the track team at Jackson Middle School. Gruchalski, who is a freshman at Willowbrook High School, completed the race in 18 minutes, 3 seconds. The race was run in memory of beloved District 45 physical education teacher Bonnie Scahill, who passed away in 2013. District 45 Superintendent Anthony Palmisano said a few words about Mrs. Scahill before the start of the race. He said she would have loved the day despite the weather because she was a dedicated teacher who gave her all, no matter what the circumstances. Palmisano then took his place at the starting line with the rest of the race participants.



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### Basketball camps at Glenbard East take place in May and June

Glenbard East boys basketball coach Scott Miller and his son, Zach Miller, will hold a basketball skills clinic for boys and girls in grades 6-12 next month. Each of the clinic's six sessions will take place from 7-8:30 p.m. in Glenbard East's field house. The sessions will take place on May 11, May 13, May 18, May 20, May 25 and May 27.

The skills clinic is for the advanced player who is looking to take his or her game to the next level. Zach Miller is a Glenbard East graduate who helped the Rams claim the third-place trophy at the 2011 IHSA Class 4A boys basketball tournament.

The cost per person is \$90 for all six sessions. Individually, the cost for each session is \$20.

For more information, or to register, call 630-628-7322, or visit [lombardparks.com/register](http://lombardparks.com/register).

Scott Miller will also conduct two boys basketball camps at Glenbard East in June. One of the

camps is for boys who will be entering grades 9-12 in the fall of 2015. The 11-session camp will meet from 6-8 p.m. on June 8 and June 9. The event's remaining nine sessions (June 10-11, June 15-18 and June 22-24) will take place from 6-8 p.m.

The camp is for boys who are interested in improving their skills, and earning a spot on their high school teams.

Coach Miller will hold an eight-session camp for boys entering grades 3-8. That camp will take place daily at Glenbard East from June 15-19 and June 23-25. Each session will run from 8-10 a.m. The event will stress fundamentals and having fun.

Each camper at the two boys camps will receive a basketball and a T-shirt. The cost for each player in each of the two boys camps is \$100.

Online registration is available at [lombardparks.com](http://lombardparks.com).



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### Fullerton holds Earth Day Walk-A-Thon

First graders head out for some fresh air and sunshine after an Earth Day Walk-a-Thon held on Wednesday, April 22 at Fullerton School. The fifth graders started the day, then each class level spent 30 minutes walking around the outside of the school building. A total of \$667.15 in pledges was collected by students, which will be used for school beautification.

### District 4 plans Kindergarten University

ADDISON — All parents of 2015-2016 kindergartners are invited to attend Addison School District 4's Kindergarten University. The event is being held on Friday, May 1 from 1-3 p.m. and on Tuesday, May 5 from 6-8 p.m. at Indian Trail Junior High School, 222 N. Kennedy Drive in Addison. Parents can attend either session.

The event is designed to show parents what skills a kindergartner needs before school begins in August. It will feature Kindergarten Readiness skills along with fun, easy educational ideas that families can use to make their child kindergarten-ready. The presentations will be given in both English and Spanish. All parents are requested to attend.

## Registration open for Elmhurst Hospital's ProActive Kids Summer session takes place at Addison's Club Fitness

ELMHURST — ProActive Kids (PAK), in partnership with Elmhurst Hospital, has opened registration for its summer session to be held June 8 - July 31 at the Addison Park District's Club Fitness, 1776 W. Centennial Place.

PAK offers this free program for kids ages 8-14 who are struggling with unhealthy weight, along with their families. Registration is now available at [proactivekids.org](http://proactivekids.org).

In ProActive Kids, children attend Monday, Wednesday and Friday for eight weeks, learning about fitness and nutrition. On Fridays, parents, guardians and other family members are invited to take part in the activities and learn the benefits of making healthy lifestyle changes in the home.

For more information or to enroll, call (630) 681-1558 or visit [proactivekids.org](http://proactivekids.org).

# Contract awarded to repair, renovate Oak Meadows

**Innovative design to offer 'flood-resistant' golfing, improved storm water storage**

WHEATON — Last week, the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County's Board of Commissioners awarded a construction contract to renovate Oak Meadows Golf Preserve in Addison to create flood-resistant golf operations while restoring the natural habitat and improving flood control along Salt Creek.

The 288-acre project, which was awarded to Martam Construction, Inc., of Elgin, will create an 18-hole par-72 course with tee options ranging from 4,800 to 7,100 yards and expanded practice areas. Elevated playing surfaces will limit recurring disruptions and damage from frequent flooding. The project will encompass the current 18-hole Oak Meadows as well as nine holes on the East Course at Maple Meadows, which has also lost business due to flooding.

**Efforts will increase sustainable environmental practices**

The project will also increase the overall storm water capacity of the property by more than 20 million gallons, create 25 acres of new wetlands and 43 acres of riparian habitat and restore 13 acres of the corridor along

Salt Creek, which has suffered from erosion, poor water quality and limited plant and animal diversity.

In-stream improvements will remove two low-head dams and replace engineered hard-bank erosion protection features with more natural bank stabilization materials such as aquatic plants, cobble and boulders. This restoration work will increase levels of dissolved oxygen in the water, which will allow the creek to support a wider range of native aquatic animals. Away from the creek, the Forest Preserve District will also improve 65 acres of prairie, savanna and woodland habitats.

"The District is proud to be at the forefront of sustainable environmental management practices by providing an engaging golf experience while restoring wetlands and natural habitat to the benefit of our residents and guests," said Forest Preserve District of DuPage County President Joe Cantore.

Construction is slated to begin in July 2015 and be completed in time for the 2017 golf season.

Oak Meadows will be available through the 4th of July. Maple Meadows West and Green Meadows golf courses will remain through the entire 2015 season.

## NEDSRA introduces new Executive Director

ADDISON — Rick Poole will take over as the new executive director for The Board of Directors of the Northeast DuPage Special Recreation Association (NEDSRA) announced last week that Rick Poole will take over as its new executive director, starting on May 11. Poole will replace Jeena Greenwält, the director for the past four years, who recently stepped down for health reasons.

As Deputy Director of the Lombard Park District for the past 12 years, Poole is familiar with NEDSRA as one of partners supporting its programs for individuals with disabilities. At the Lombard Park District, some of his accomplishments include: being on the design team that constructed the Paradise Bay Water Park; building public support for the \$5.9 million dollar park referendum in 2008; and the Lombard Park District winning the prestigious Gold Medal award presented by the National Recreation and Park Association.

"I look forward to joining the NEDSRA participants and staff," he said. "I am very excited and proud to be a part of this excellent organization as we serve our 11 member partners."

Poole will be participating in NEDSRA's annual Track and Field Meet scheduled for Saturday, May 16 at the Glenbard East High School Track starting at 9 a.m.

"I have been a part of this event in the past and am always amazed at the joy and admiration between the participants, families, and volunteers," said Poole.



RICK POOLE



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### Addison Trail recognizes AT's Best

Pictured are Addison Trail students who were named as AT's Best during a breakfast in their honor on April 21. The AT's Best award recognizes students who have achieved a "personal best." The award recipients include junior Alexander Bennici, junior Alondra Estrada, sophomore Dontrail Jones, senior Brianna Sitkowski, senior Kenia Chamorro, senior Maria Bouzarelos Kopta, junior Alexis Tellez, senior Hannah Yurek, senior Michael Amadeo, senior Gabriella Morrone, senior Jerold Macaya, senior Alexis Moreno, senior Duy Do, senior Giselle Legaspi, senior Dakota Noel, senior Mario Saldierna, senior Dakota Rosch, senior Juan Perez, freshman Holly Schwartz, freshman Pablo Soriano, freshman Mia Rumps, freshman Panthi Patel, freshman Agne Siupienius, freshman Lucas Rusin, freshman Jairely Rodriguez, freshman Gillian Ward, senior Ryan Majka and senior Krystian Gracz.

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**AT, WB named among 'Most Challenging High Schools' by Washington Post**

**Helton releases statement; notes Dist. 88 schools chosen from 2,300 in nation**

VILLA PARK/ADDISON — Last week, in his regular communiqué to stakeholders in District 88, Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton released the following statement:

"I am proud to announce Addison Trail and Willowbrook have again been named as two of 'America's Most Challenging High Schools' by The Washington Post.

"This is one of the most substantial ranking systems with regard to school performance, and we're thrilled to have both schools recognized. The challenge ranks schools through an index formula that's a ratio of the number of college-level tests given at a school in the previous calendar year, divided by the number of graduates that year. A ratio of 1.00 means the school had as many tests as graduates. Columnist Jay Mathews implemented this national ranking system for high schools, which formerly was in Newsweek, and District 88 has been ranked in his challenge index for eight consecutive years (since 2008).

"This year, 11 percent of the

nearly 22,000 U.S. public high schools made Mathew's list. More than 2,300 high schools were ranked, and Addison Trail and Willowbrook have been named as two of the top/most challenging schools in the U.S.

"This level of success is a result of the hard work and dedication of our staff, Board of Education, parents/guardians, students and community members. It is through our partnerships and working together that we're able to earn this honor and accomplish our mission of working for the continuous improvement of student achievement. Thank you for your continued support of District 88."

For more details about the challenge, visit [washingtonpost.com/highschoolchallenge](http://washingtonpost.com/highschoolchallenge).

**County to host Age Well DuPage May 16**

WHEATON — DuPage County is hosting Age Well DuPage: Renew, Recharge, Reinvent, a free event for adults 50 and older on Saturday, May 16. Now in its third year, the event will focus on home, financial and physical safety.

The Age Well DuPage event will be held on Saturday, May 16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the DuPage County JTK Administration Building, 421 N. County Farm Road, Wheaton.

The keynote speaker will be Dr. Thomas Sattler, director of education and program development senior FITNESS, a division of the Alliance Rehab in Oak Brook. He helps seniors improve their quality of life through exercise guidelines and other healthy lifestyle choices. Sattler formerly worked with the Chicago Cubs and Chicago Bulls. Christine Benz, certified financial planner, will also provide information about making money last through the retirement years.

The event will include a variety of breakout sessions to inform residents about different programs and opportunities offered in DuPage County. The sessions include topics such as:

For more information, visit [agewelldupage.org](http://agewelldupage.org) or contact Antonia Harlan at (630) 407-6500 or email [Antonia.Harlan@dupageco.org](mailto:Antonia.Harlan@dupageco.org).

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# SPORTS

## Willowbrook baseball team downs York, Oak Lawn

### Warriors' softball team defeats Morton

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

The Willowbrook baseball team went 3-1 during a recent four-game stretch.

The Warriors closed out a three-game West Suburban Conference Gold Division series with Downers Grove South. Downers South scored a 4-3 win. Willowbrook had five hits and made four errors.

Trey Jones went 2-for-3 with an RBI. Cam Zunkel was 1-for-2 with an RBI and a stolen base. Cam Ligocki went 1-for-1 with an RBI.

Matt Garbacz took the loss. He struck out seven and walked none in six innings and threw 89 pitches. Willow-

brook lost all three games in the series by scores of 2-1, 6-3 and 4-3.

The Warriors then scored an 11-3 WSC crossover win against Lyons Township. Willowbrook had nine hits in the game and led 4-0 after the first inning.

Kyle Martyniuk went 2-for-4. MJ Ranieri was 2-for-3 with a double, triple and three RBI. Alex Michaelson went 2-for-3 with four RBI.

Mark Molitor started the game and went three innings. He allowed one hit and struck out six. Konnie Reitz was the winning pitcher in relief. He struck out four in three innings of work.

In an 8-6 WSC crossover win against York, Jones went 2-for-4 with a triple and three RBI. Kyle Ferguson was 2-for-4 with two RBI. Matt Pizur

went 2-for-3. Luke Schuemer went 2-for-4 with an RBI, while Molitor went 2-for-4. Zunkel added a double.

Pizur was the winning pitcher. He struck out six in six innings. Zunkel pitched the seventh to get the save.

In a 14-4 non-conference win over Oak Lawn, Willowbrook trailed 4-1 at one point, but scored five runs in the fourth, four in the fifth and four in the sixth. The Warriors had 14 hits.

Martyniuk had a double and three RBI. Schuemer had a double and two RBI. Jones also had a double and two RBI. Zunkel had two hits. Dom McDonnell went 2-for-4 with an RBI. Ferguson was 2-for-3 with two runs scored, a double and two RBI. Mike Petruzzi, Zunkel and Jon Kelso each had a double.

Willowbrook had seven doubles in the game.

Zunkel pitched the first four innings and struck out two to pick up the win. Austin Debook pitched the final two innings and fanned three.

### Willowbrook softball

The Willowbrook softball team opened West Suburban Conference Gold Division play with a 10-9 win over Morton.

The Warriors had 12 hits in the game. Sam Schmidt was 3-for-4 with two runs scored and an RBI. Alyssa Ressler was 3-for-4 with two runs scored, a homer and four RBI. Alex Kassal was 2-for-5 with three runs scored. Delaney Pelsor went 2-for-3 with two runs scored, a homer and four RBI. Zoe Dannenberg had a double. Dannenberg was the

winning pitcher.

The win moved Willowbrook to 10-5.

In earlier action, Willowbrook dropped a 13-8 non-conference game to Morris. The two teams combined for 33 hits.

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### Bradley brings home two first-place jumping medals

By Mike Miazga  
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The Addison Trail boys track team recently won the Elgin Invitational championship.

The Blazers finished first in the three-flight meet with 322 points. Maine West was second with 292 points.

Key highlights included the Blazers sweeping all three flights in the high jump and

triple jump events.

In the high jump, Jaavion Bradley won the A flight with a leap of 5-6. Sophomore Chris Purdy won the B flight at 5-6 and senior Taylor White won the C flight with a 5-2 jump.

Bradley, a senior, also won the triple jump A flight with a mark of 38-4. White won the B flight at 36-5 and sophomore Alex Gunnerson won the C flight with a 32-9 effort.

"Jaavion made the state-qualifying height of 6-5 earlier this year," noted Addison Trail coach Bruce Kelsay. "We are hoping he is able to match that mark at the sectional meet and

qualify for the state meet."

Other Addison Trail A flight results included Darrion Conrad finishing fourth in the 100 at 11.56. Conrad also was second in the 200 at 23.40.

Albino Lucero took second in the 400 with a time of 54.12. Luis Eugenio was fourth in the 800 at 2:14.32.

Jordyn Carr-Jones was third in the 110 high hurdles at 16.90. Donovan Granados was second in the 300 hurdles at 43.71.

Addison Trail also fared well in the A-flight relays. The 400 team of Rayan Baig, Darius Conrad, Darrion Conrad and

Stefano Favuzzi took second with a time of 45.11 and also took second in the 800 relay with a time of 1:32.84.

The 1,600 relay team of Baig, Granados, Darius Perez and Albino Lucero was second in 3:33.14 and the 3,200 team of Luis Eugenio, Demetrio Cervantes, Tony Diaz and Marco Flores was third in 8:59.05.

Carr-Jones finished sixth in the long jump at 17-7 3/4. Mike Renc, a freshman, took fourth in the discus at 96-9 and was fifth in the shot put at 33-0.

Kelsay said the hurdling

events have been a key bright spot thus far. "Our biggest improvement is in the 110 and 300 hurdles," he said. "The athletes' techniques have shown great improvement."

Sophomore Carr-Jones, who was moved up to the varsity, owns the top 110 high hurdle time and the best long jump distance for the team, while Perez, a junior, has the fastest 400 time and has been a spark for the 1,600 relay team.

"The most positive aspect of this season compared to previous seasons is our depth," said Kelsay. "We are competitive in all events this year."



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# A salute to AT seniors at ACCI scholarship banquet

ADDISON — On April 21, Addison Trail seniors were honored by the Addison Chamber of Commerce & Industry during the chamber's Student Honors Banquet.

The event took place at The Empress Banquets in Addison and recognized the students for their academic and extracurricular accomplishments.

The class of 2015 Addison Chamber of Commerce & Industry Scholarship honorees are Jake Atiyeh, Alejandro Avalos, Adolfo Baca, Kelly Blucher, Franc De Guzman, Estefania Diaz, Julia Dziabis, Eric Gilliam, Viola Gjanci, Louie Hawkins, Jennifer Hurtado, Izabela Kantor, Yasmeen Kazkaz, Al-Baab Ali Khan, Cheyenne Lam, Megan Levonyak, Elizabeth Lodzinski, Jeffrey Maginity, Ryan Majka, Gabriella Morrone, Joseph Nasti, Dakota Noel, Robert Raniszewski, Saul Rivera, Emma Schmitt, Kimberly Schonder, Michal Silezin, Margarita Sumbulla, Jackson Ustas and Joanna Villalobos. Also recognized were Hannah Yurek and Nicole Federighi (daughter of an Addison Chamber of Commerce & Industry member). District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton and Addison Trail Principal Adam Cibulka presented each student with a certificate for his or her achievements.

Noel was named as the recipient of the Addison Chamber of Commerce & Industry Scholarship. Rivera was recognized with the A.J. LaRocca Memorial Foundation Scholarship, along with Jeremy Miller (a Willowbrook alumnus, who's attending College of DuPage).

Sumbulla served as the student speaker and congratulated her classmates on their successes. The keynote speaker was Addison Trail alumna Kymberlee Kaye Raya (class of 1989), who spoke to the honorees about the importance of pursuing their dreams and passions. Raya is the Chief Imagination Officer for Big Shot Marketing Inc. and is the founder of Fly Girl Dance & Fitness.



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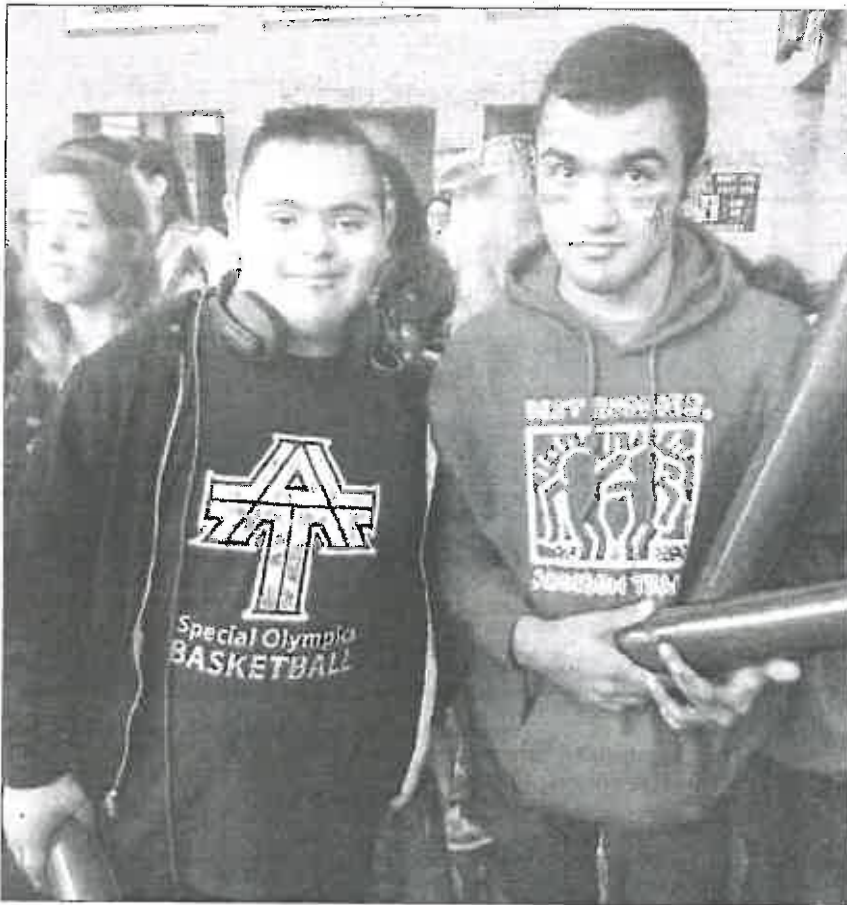


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Addison Trail alumna Kymberlee Kaye Raya (class of 1989) shares her story of success with the audience. Raya was the evening's keynote speaker.



Addison Trail senior Margarita Sumbulla congratulates her classmates on their accomplishments. Sumbulla served as the student speaker for the event.



Village of Addison Mayor Rich Veenstra greets the crowd.

## AT Best Buddies come together for Friendship Walk

Addison Trail senior Johnny Rodriguez (left) and junior Alejandro Bueno enjoy the 2014 Best Buddies Friendship Walk. This year's walk will be on May 2 at Brookfield Zoo. Addison Trail Best Buddies are participating, and you can help support them.

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### Field trip teaches Addison Trail LINK students about safety

On April 16, Addison Trail LINK 1 and 2 students participated in a community-safety field trip to the Addison Fire Protection District and the Addison Police Department. Pictured are (back row, from left) freshman Magali Francisco, senior Daisy Oliva, freshman Blanca Gonzalez, (middle row, from left) junior Antonio Morante, senior Aleks Iskali, sophomore Isabella Chaidez, freshman George Pappas-Papaioannou, freshman Hernan Trujillo, sophomore Angelica Stewart, freshman Sabrina Zurita, freshman Alexis Smith, freshman Michelle Banuelos, junior Alejandro Bueno, senior Johnny Rodriguez, (front row, from left) junior Austin Vitello, junior Ricardo Betts, freshman Estuardo Merida, sophomore Renalda Trebicka and freshman Mellina Mayer.

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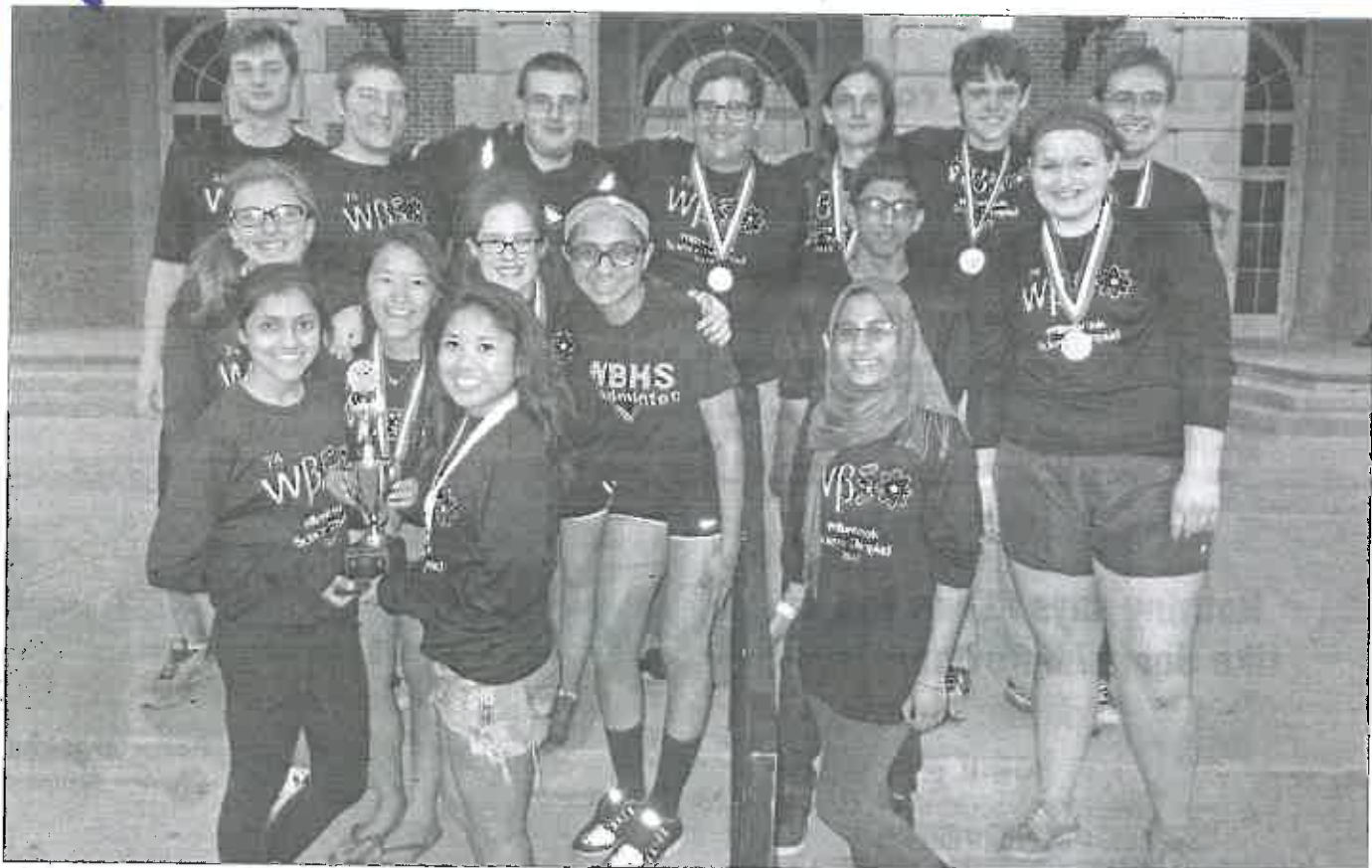


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## WB Science Olympiad Team shines at State

Members of the Willowbrook Science Olympiad Team, pictured here, earned 3rd place overall in Division A at the Illinois Science Olympiad State competition on April 18. The team brought home eight medals in 23 events and two in trial events. Participants were sophomore Aisha Ahmed, sophomore Mustafa Ali, junior Stephanie Cheng, junior Andrew Ciesla, freshman Sandra Dragan, freshman Nicholas Johnson, senior Isabelle Martinez, junior Henry McCarthy, junior Kyle Dooley, senior Abby Pakeltis, freshman Sam Pakeltis, senior Haley Patel, senior Michael Rogalski, senior Tyler Rusnak, senior Shukan Shah and senior Kelli Wysoglad.

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## Willowbrook names Kelly McNamara 88's Best for February

VILLA PARK — During the April 13 District 88 Board of Education meeting, senior Kelly McNamara was named as Willowbrook's February recipient of 88's Best recognition for her involvement in extracurricular activities.

Kelly has achieved success in a variety of areas, including academics, activities and athletics. When she graduates, she will have completed seven Advanced Placement (AP)/college-level courses, along with a lengthy list of honors courses. She also has maintained a class ranking within the top 25 percent of her class and is an inductee of the World Language Honor Society and Civitas, Willowbrook's social studies honor society.

Not only been involved in numerous organizations, but Kelly also has taken prominent leadership roles in several extracurricular activities. She is a four-year member of the Addison Trail-Willowbrook Girls Swim Team, a member of the Girls Track and Field Team, a student ambassador and one of Willowbrook's representatives at the West Suburban Gold Leadership Conference.

"McNamara is a four-year Illinois High School Association (IHSA) State qualifier and a multiple-time State award-winner in swimming," said Athletic Director Bob Daly. "She was the 2014 IHSA Girls Swimming & Diving State champion in the 100-yard butterfly and has even earned All-American honors. McNamara's athletic accomplishments are long and distinguished. However, they are not what define her. She is a true leader at Willowbrook — in

and out of the pool. McNamara will never seek the spotlight, but her work ethic and passion for everything she does forces that spotlight to shine bright on her. She is an outstanding student-athlete and a great Willowbrook Warrior!"

Willowbrook English teacher and Addison Trail-Willowbrook Girls Swim Team coach Tara Murphy agreed.

"McNamara's dedication to swimming is very visible when looking at the decoration that surrounds her name," she said. "She has been swimming year-round for the past 11 years and has competed in a multitude of championship meets at various age levels in the state and the nation. Although McNamara has undeniably been blessed with some God-given talent, most of her accomplishments can be attributed to her hard work and daily dedication in the pool."

Paul Anderson, Head Coach of the Addison Trail-Willowbrook Swim Team, said Kelly is the most decorated swimmer in the team's history — male or female.

"McNamara is a 16-time West Suburban Conference Gold Division All-Conference selection, an 11-time IHSA All-Sectional selection, a two-time IHSA All-State Honorable Mention, a two-time IHSA All-State First Team selection and a two-time National Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association (NISCA) All-American," he said. "On top of all that, McNamara is the defending IHSA State champion in the 100-yard butterfly — the first State champion in District 88's history in swimming. She achieved that success due to an incredible work ethic and a drive



Pictured with Willowbrook Principal Dan Krause is senior Kelly McNamara, who was named as Willowbrook's February recipient of 88's Best recognition during the April 13 District 88 Board of Education meeting. photo provided

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Girls Swim Team. She will always hold a special place in my heart, and I will continue to be impressed by all she has accomplished for the remainder

of my coaching career."

McNamara will attend The University of Iowa, where she has accepted a scholarship to swim.

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### Summer season brochure arrives in homes

VILLA PARK — The Parks and Recreation Department's Summer seasonal brochure was recently delivered to residents. Be sure to check it out cover-to-cover to see all the new and returning programs for all ages.

New in the registration process is that residents who register three weeks in advance receive \$3 off the advertised fee on most programs. Certain programs are not eligible to receive the Early Bird Discount and they are indicated within the brochure.

If you did not receive your brochure you can pick one up at the Iowa Community Center, 338 N. Iowa, Community Recreation Building, 320 E. Wildwood, Village Hall, 20 S. Ardmore and the Villa Park Library, 305 S. Ardmore.

### Register now for summer camp

Parks and Recreation is now accepting registration for Summer Camp for kids ages 5-12. Summer Camp runs nine weeks from June 10-August 14 and meets daily 9 am - 4 pm at the Iowa Community Center. You can register children for all ten weeks or just the

weeks and days needed. If a camper needs to extend their camp day Sunrise and Sunset Camps are available for additional fees. Camp is packed with outdoor adventures, arts and crafts, games, sports, fishing, cookouts, special events, weekly field trips and afternoons at Jefferson Pool. All activities are included in the camp fee. Each week of camp has a different theme that is celebrated on Theme Fridays. Register for all ten weeks in any camp by June 2 and pay your camp fees in two installments. Please call 630-834-8970 for camp fees and information on the different weekly themes and field trips.

### Pool passes sell at early-bird rate starting May 1

Pool passes for the 2015 season go on sale at the early bird rate May 1. If you have previously purchased a photo pass, you simply need to complete a renewal application and bring in your old pass(es) and a 2015 sticker will be affixed to the pass(es). Pool passes are not valid for this season unless they have a current sticker. Lost or misplaced passes can be replaced for an additional \$7 each. It is recommended that children get new photos every two years. These passes are provided at no cost. Please note that photos may only be taken at the Iowa Community Center.

The early bird rate is available May 1-June 6 as follows: resident ages 3-59, \$51; resident senior age 60 and up, \$46. (No early bird rate available for non-residents.)

Beginning June 8 rates are: resident ages 3-59, \$68, resident seniors age 60 and up, \$61.

Passes for non-residents ages 3-59 are \$94; non-resident seniors are \$87. The daily admission fee for ages 3 and older is \$7 for residents, \$9 for non-residents.

Patrons can take advantage of the warm summer evenings and swim from 5 p.m. to close for the low cost of \$5 per resident and \$7 for non-residents. Another admission option is a multi-use pass. This pass allows the holder to save on the daily admission prices without purchasing individual passes. These passes do not require a photo and can be shared among friends and family. The pass is punched each time a patron presents it at the pool according to the number of persons entering that day. A 10-use pass for residents is \$50 and non-residents is \$80; a 15-use resident pass is \$70, non-resident \$114. Jefferson Pool, 341 N. Harvard, opens May 31-June 1; June 7-June 8 and June 14-August 19. Lufkin Pool, 1000 S. Ardmore opens for the season June 7. For more information on pool passes call 630-834-8970.

# Struggles come at bad time for Blazers

By DAN SANTAROMITA  
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DOWNERS GROVE – Addison Trail's boys volleyball team picked a bad time to play its worst match of the season.

In a crucial conference match at Downers Grove South on Tuesday, the Blazers had no answer for the Mustangs. DGS won 25-20, 25-14 in a meeting between teams that entered the match with undefeated records in the West Suburban Gold.

Addison Trail never led in either set and was tied once in the first set – at 5-5.

"We just weren't ready to play," AT coach Chad Grant said. "Our warm up was bad and it carried right over into the game."

The Blazers were without middle hitter Kannon Neems, who returned to action Thursday at St. Charles East, but Grant said that wasn't the difference. He also said it was as bad as the Blazers have played while DGS played one of its best matches of the year. It wasn't a good combination for the Blazers.

"We were getting better," Grant said. "I thought we were on the uphill climb here. A little unexpected. We lacked energy. Our defense wasn't normally what it is and that's the worst we've ever blocked. It just looked like hitting practice for them. They were pounding everything to the floor."

Alex Dickmann led the Blazers with 10 kills in the loss. Jack Vrchota had five kills, Johnny Valentini added four kills and Zach Vaca had three.

DGS improved to 4-0 in the Gold and closes the conference schedule with matches against Willowbrook and Proviso East. AT is 3-1 and next plays in the conference May 12 against Leyden before closing against Willowbrook a week later. Willowbrook is 3-0 in the Gold.

"This is definitely a nice victory for [our kids]," DGS coach Kurt Steuer said. "They played probably the best they have all season."

The Blazers have some time to work out the kinks as they next play in the York Invite on May 8 and 9.



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York's Kyra Kroll slides safely into second base Tuesday during a home game against Lyons Township. Kroll, a freshman, is one of several sluggers that have led the Dukes to a strong season so far.

## Kroll a key cog for York

### Confidence helps Dukes' freshman excel on diamond

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ELMHURST – If there's one thing about York freshman Kyra Kroll, it's that she doesn't lack confidence.

The freshman outfielder has stepped right into the Dukes' lineup and has put up solid numbers right away.

Kroll is hitting .400 with 18 RBIs and 22 runs scored in 15 games played. She is tied for the team lead in runs scored and is second with 12 stolen bases.

"It's been really exciting," Kroll said. "I've been doing pretty well so far at the plate and with the help of my teammates and their support. I've been hanging out with them a few times. It's been fun overall and it's a really fun experience."

Kroll had the game-winning sacrifice fly in the bottom of the seventh inning in Monday's 3-2 win against Lyons Township.

Her strong play has put her in the No. 2 spot in a York lineup that is averaging more

than eight runs per game.

"She really pays attention to the game," coach Jenna Bode said. "She wants to get better. She goes up and she learns from every at-bat. She learns from every play she makes. She'll be talking to coach and I on the sideline and say 'I've seen every pitch they have. I can attack this pitch. I can get that pitch.' She's really, really just interested in learning more about the game. I think that's what makes her such a great player."

Bode said Kroll didn't join the varsity team until a few weeks into practice. Even with indoor practices, she could tell that Kroll had what it took to contribute to the varsity team.

Kroll's playing experience began with in-house softball from a young age and then travel ball at the 8U level. Her experience turned into confidence.

"I like the adrenaline of it, just going up to the plate and feeling confident knowing you're at least going to get one hit a game or two hits," Kroll said. "It's really a good feeling. When you're doing bad, obviously you don't feel like playing, but once you start doing really, really good and you're in your hot zone

you just want to play it all the time."

Her confidence isn't limited to individual play either. York is 4-0 in the West Suburban Silver with wins against Downers Grove North, Glenbard West, Proviso West and Lyons Township, which has Kroll and the Dukes thinking big.

Amanda Karnatz, Sarah Milkowski, Abby Solem and Isabella Jaeger join Kroll with batting averages above .400. Valparaiso commit Gabby Magnifico has 12 extra base hits, including five home runs, and leads the team with 22 RBIs.

"I think we can definitely be undefeated in conference," Kroll said. "If we continue to hit the way we're hitting, if Amanda and Sarah and Abby Solem and Gabby keep it up, then we'll be just fine. Everybody is just hitting. I believe if we keep our bats together we should definitely win conference and go to state and can even do well there."

York, which also beat Maine West 16-0 Wednesday to improve to 15-1-1 overall, next plays Friday against Hinsdale Central and has a huge conference game at Oak Park-River Forest, also undefeated in the league, Monday.



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Addison Trail's Zach Vaca sets the ball Tuesday in a match against Downers Grove South. The Blazers struggled in all facets in a two-game loss in a key West Suburban Gold contest.

# AT, York baseball win conference series

SUBURBAN LIFE MEDIA

Addison Trail's baseball team took two out of three games from Hinsdale South in a West Suburban Gold series.

Jake Atiyeh went 3 for 4 with two RBIs and a run scored in a 3-2 win April 24. Nick Villasenor pitched a complete game with seven strikeouts and allowed just two runs in a 4-2 win Monday. Hinsdale South won the finale 4-2 Tuesday.

## BASEBALL

### York

The Dukes won two in a three-game West Suburban Silver series against Downers Grove North.

Despite the offense managing just two hits, Matt Sabatini pitched a shut out in a 2-0 win April 24. The Trojans turned the tables with a 2-0 win on Monday, besting a strong pitching performance from Joe Powolsky [6 IP, 2 R]. Kyle Coughlin kept the strong pitching going with a complete game effort in a 3-2 win in the rubber game Tuesday.

### IC Catholic

Fenton beat the Knights 3-2 Monday and 6-1 Tuesday in a pair of conference games. Chicago Christian also beat IC 6-0 Wednesday.

### Timothy Christian

After splitting two games with Ridgewood to start the week, the Trojans beat Elgin Academy 10-6 Wednesday with a 3-for-3 day from Devin May.

## SOFTBALL

### IC Catholic

Jessica Conenna had a completely dominating effort in a 1-0 win against Aurora Central Catholic on Tuesday. Conenna struck out 17 of the 24 batters she faced and gave up three hits and no walks.

### Addison Trail

The Blazers bounced back from a 14-0 loss against Downers Grove South on Tuesday with a 10-0 win against Morton the next day.

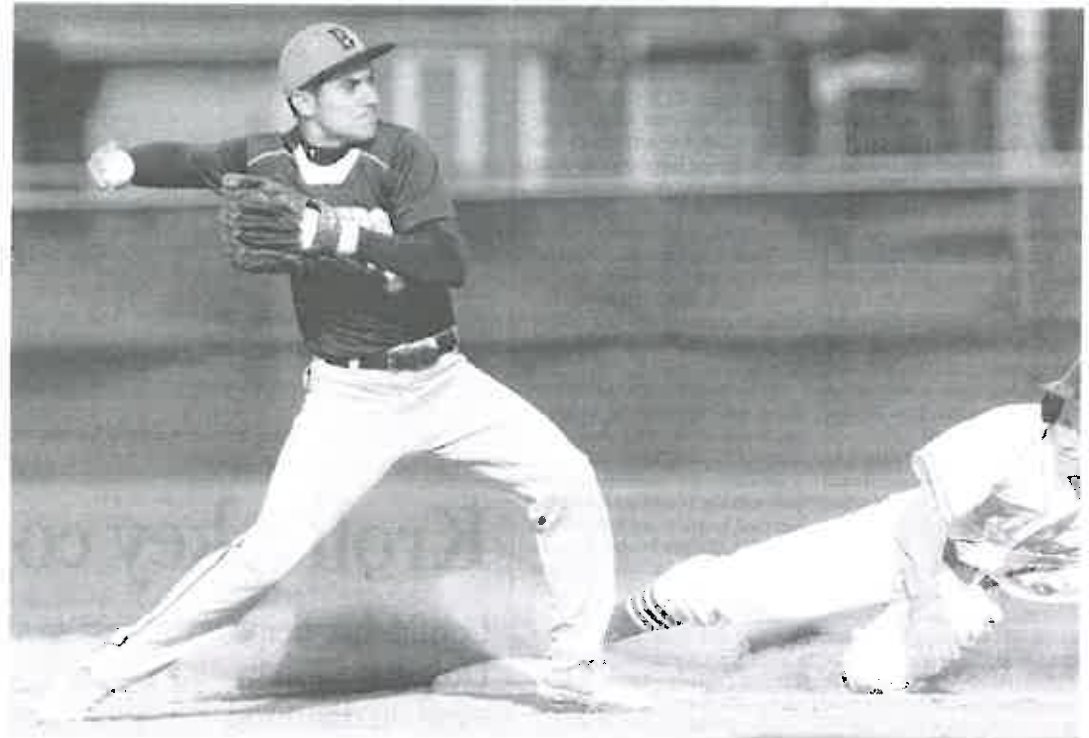
## GIRLS SOCCER

### York

The Dukes picked up a 4-1 win against Oak Park-River Forest on Tuesday to improve to 2-2 in the West Suburban Silver.

### IC Catholic

The Knights played Timothy Christian to a 0-0 tie Saturday and then lost



Addison Trail's Jamie Valdez gets the force out at second base on York's Mark Thieme in an April 23 game. The Blazers took two of three games against Hinsdale South in a recent conference series.

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to Wheaton Academy 4-0 Tuesday. IC beat Hinckley-Big Rock 6-0 Wednesday.

### Timothy Christian

The Trojans took down Guerin Prep 7-3 Monday in a Metro Suburban East game. Toni Paterno had four goals and an assist and Danielle Beard added a goal and two assists.

## BOYS TRACK AND FIELD

### York

The Dukes hosted and invite on April 24 and got first-place finishes from Alex Teague [100-meter dash], Collin Hamell [triple jump] and David Prigg [pole vault] along with wins in the 4x800-meter and the 4x200 relays.

### Addison Trail

The Blazers won the eight-team Glenbard South Boys Raider Invitational on April 24. All four relays placed in the top three, including first-place finishes from the 4x400- and 4x200-meter relays.

Jordyn Carr-Jones won the 110-meter hurdles and was the runner-up in the 300 hurdles. Jaavion Bradley placed second

in the high jump. Darius Conrad was second in the 100 and third in the 200 and Darrion Conrad was second in the 200.

## BOYS WATER POLO

### York

After losing to Neuqua Valley 15-3 Monday, the Dukes beat Palatine 6-5 Wednesday.

## GIRLS WATER POLO

### York

Neuqua Valley beat the Dukes 5-3 Monday.

## BOYS TENNIS

### York

Brendan Peterson, Alex Riddle and Tommy Naples all won singles matches and the No. 2 doubles team of Lucas Gough and Teague Hagan won in three sets to help the Dukes edge Downers Grove North 4-3 Tuesday.

## BADMINTON

### York

The Dukes knocked off neighboring Willowbrook 11-4 Monday.

## BOYS GYMNASTICS

### Addison Trail

The Blazers scored 132.1 points in Saturday's Kafka Invitational at Glenbard West. R.J. Infusino was second on rings, Alex Kominowski placed third on floor exercise and Marcus Rias tied for third on parallel bars. Daniel Baeza, Kominowski and Alfredo Torres tied for third on vault with matching 9.0 scores.

## BOYS LACROSSE

### York

The Dukes won for the sixth straight game by beating Oak Park-River Forest 13-9 Monday.

### IC Catholic

The Knights moved over .500 with a 14-0 win against Taft on Monday to improve their record to 5-4.

## GIRLS LACROSSE

### York

The Dukes beat Lake Zurich 9-7 Tuesday and lost to Hinsdale Central 18-7 Wednesday.