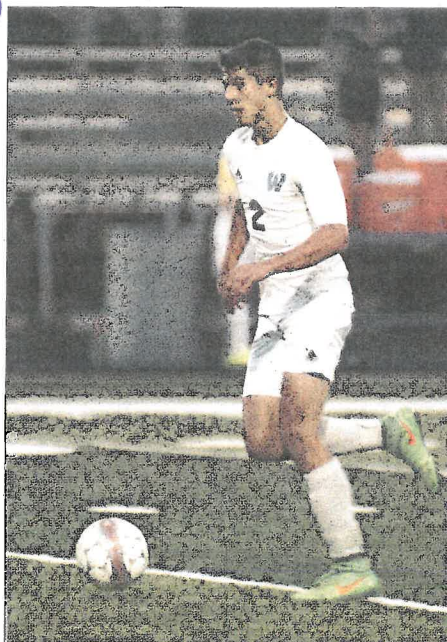




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THE ABOVE RENDERING FROM 3D Design Studio shows plans to renovate Cortesi Veterans Memorial Park. The park is located at 320 E. Kenilworth Ave., just west of Villa Avenue. The Villa Park Village Board voted Monday to approve the proposed renovation, which include the construction of a new memorial at the south end of the park.

## Park renovation...

(Continued from the previous page)

special events. When Bulthuis asked about the timeline for completing the renovation, Gola mentioned the possibility of holding a ribbon cutting at the park on Nov. 11—Veterans Day. Gola added that the ribbon cutting could be held off until the spring.

Dalziel added that it would be very aggressive to complete the concrete and brick work at the park by Nov. 11. Moments later, Trustee Chris Aiello stated he wanted to table the resolution to approve the renovation plan until the village researched all avenues for obtaining grants.

"I don't want to do that memorial fast," Aiello said. "I want to do it perfect."

No other board members seconded Aiello's motion, and discussion continued. Dalziel stated he was confident the project could be completed by the end of 2015. He then said that prices for construction work will go up next year.

"There are people eager to work," Dalziel said. "It's a good idea to get it done this year."

Trustee Don Kase, who is in the construction and contracting business, said it would be impossible to complete the renovation by Veterans Day.

"Where are you going to find a concrete guy by Nov. 11?" said Kase. "There's no way it's going to get done by Nov. 11."

The board voted 6-1 (with Aiello casting the vote against) to advance the issue to the formal agenda, which took place later in Monday's meeting. At that time, Kase made a motion to table the proposal to renovate the park. Aiello seconded Kase's motion and board members continued to discuss the matter.

Trustee Robert Wagner said he was against tabling the proposal, adding that the village could still pursue grants. Trustee Robert Taglia agreed with Wagner and said that he worried that tabling the issue would delay the project.

Kase then asked members of the VFW post if they favored prolonging the project instead of setting for what he referred to as "some hodgepodge" job. Tim Connolly, the current commander of the post, said he would like to see the project move forward and said it didn't matter if it wasn't finished by Veterans Day.

"I feel we should move forward," added Geiseman, who reiterated that he would pursue any grants to fund the project. "I'm all about making it right. We need this. Please move this forward."

"I am 100 percent for the park," said Kase in responding to Geiseman. "I just want it to be the best for you guys."

Before Aiello and Kase withdrew their motion to table the resolution to approve the project, Aiello said he wanted to be sure that approving the proposal would not eliminate the possibility of acquiring grants for the renovation. Gola said that the in-house work for the project, include demolition of the current sidewalk and regrading the turf, would begin before the village sought bids for the concrete work on the memorial inside the park. That work would go out to bid before coming to the village board for final approval. The board could possibly consider a bid proposal at its Sept. 28 meeting. Village attorney James Binninger suggested that the village could pursue grant opportunities in the month leading up to that meeting. Aiello and Kase withdrew their motion to table the issue, and board members voted 7-0 to approve the proposed renovation.



## Changes coming...

Photo by Chris Fox

THE ABOVE PHOTO SHOWS A southward view of Cortesi Veterans Memorial Park at 320 E. Kenilworth Ave. The Villa Park Village Board voted Monday to approve a proposed plan to renovate the park. The renovation project will cost about \$196,000, including construction costs of \$183,000. The renovation plans call for the relocation and construction of a new memorial at the south end of the park. Additional elements of the renovation plan include the addition of concrete sidewalks on the east and west sides of the park, the relocation of the south sidewalk, leveling of the turf and the installation of a new irrigation system. The board voted last month to approve plans to relocate the Nike Ajax missile (pictured in the foreground, above) from the park to the Villa Park Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post No. 2801. The images below, provided by 3D Design Studio, show portions of the new proposed memorial on the south side of the park, including (left) the free-standing seat wall with memorial columns and service plaques, and (right) the 45-degree limestone caps that will accompany each of the six columns. The columns will surround a 25-foot flagpole for the American flag. There will be space inside the memorial for engraved bricks that include the names of veterans.



## Summer victory...

WILLOWBROOK HIGH SCHOOL'S boys soccer team won the championship in its summer league. The Warriors beat West Chicago 3-1 in the title match, which was played at Willowbrook on July 28. Members of the team (pictured left to right) are: (front row) Saul Hernandez and Geoff Paulsen; (second row, kneeling) Jesus Nava, Sebastian Berlin, Mike Sommers, Michael Pavlik, Arkadiusz Slachta, Mario Glase, Nicholas Hernandez, Benny Heredia and Stasiu Szudrowicz; (back row) head coach Peter Ginter, Tyler Celio, Asmir Perviz, Lucas Betts, Collin Doherty, Mohammed Saleh, Joe Ragucci, Thomas Hernandez, Ali Saleh, Patrick Florey, Adrian Tapia, Miguel Correa, Lupe Hernandez, Brian Fuentes, Aaron Johnson and assistant coach Eddie DeLaCruz.



## VPPD presents SALT meeting on Sept. 9; flu shots available

The Villa Park Police Department will hold the next Seniors and Law Enforcement Together (SALT) quarterly meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 9, at the Wildwood Community Center. The free meeting will begin at 11 a.m. at the center, which is located at 320 E. Wildwood Ave. Residents and guests are invited to arrive at 10:30 a.m. to enjoy coffee and pastries before the meeting, which will feature a presentation

by a representative from Jewel-Osco Pharmacy regarding adult immunizations.

A representative will also attend the meeting to administer free flu shots. Those who wish to receive a flu shot at the meeting are advised to bring their Red, White and Blue Medicare card.

The Villa Park Senior Concerns Commission will serve a lunch for all guests following the presentation.

## Lost and Found performs at free Villa Park concert on Sept. 5

Trinity Lutheran Church of Villa Park will sponsor a free concert featuring the Christian music band Lost and Found on Saturday, Sept. 5, near the Rugaard Gazebo near Ardmore Avenue and Park Boulevard, by the Illinois Prairie Path.

The concert will begin at 6 p.m. A variety of food trucks will begin serving food at 5:30 p.m.

Lost and Found is making its farewell tour. The Sept. 5 concert in Villa Park will be the groups last ever concert in Illinois.

Trinity Lutheran Church recommends that spectators bring their own chair or blanket, as seating will be limited.

For more information about Lost and Found, visit its official Web site at [www.speedwood.com](http://www.speedwood.com).

## Residents and businesses are encouraged to adopt a park

The Village of Villa Park invites residents and businesses to help maintain the village's parks by participating in the Adopt-A-Park program. The program is dedicated to taking care of Villa Park's parks, facilities and other natural areas through volunteer support.

According to a news release issued by the village, the Adopt-A-Park program provides an ideal team-building or community-service opportunity for youth groups, families, businesses and sports teams. The program offers two types of adoptions. One is focused

on litter control and maintenance, while the other focuses on planting and maintaining existing flower beds.

The sites available for adoption include the village's parks, as well as the Iowa Community Center, the Metra Station and the Villa Park Historical Museum. Six village sections of the Illinois Prairie Path and three Villa Park portions of the Great Western Trail are also available for adoption.

For more information, visit the village's Web site at [www.invillapark.com](http://www.invillapark.com).

## Police chief advises patience at the beginning of the school year

Villa Park Police Chief Robert Pavelchik spoke briefly during Monday's Villa Park Village Board meeting to remind residents that the 2015-16 school year has begun.

"School is back in session; all the school zones are properly posted," stated Pavelchik. "The signs also warn about using cell phones, so please don't be using your cell phone [in school zones]."

The chief reminded residents that the beginning of the school year brings additional traffic from cars, buses, pedestrians and bicyclists.

"You really need to be alert for what's going on, especially in the first couple of weeks," said Pavelchik, who noted that several students and their parents are getting accustomed to new schools. "We need to be extra cautious."

Pavelchik concluded his announcement about the start of the school year by asking motorists to be patient when they are driving in school zones.

"I'm of the opinion that around every school for 20 minutes a day you have organized chaos," he said. "Everybody's trying to drop off their child or pick up their child. They're all trying to be at the same place at the exact same time."

In addressing another matter at the meeting, Pavelchik noted the severe weather that passed through the area on Aug. 18, leading to the activations of sirens in several DuPage County municipalities, including Villa Park.

The chief said the village received several calls from residents who stated they did not hear the sirens in their homes.

"That's because they're not designed to be heard inside your house," Pavelchik said. "The tornado sirens are designed for people who are outside, to know that there's something bad coming. If you're close enough to a siren to hear it [in your home] you will get that notice. In our homes we have access to shelter, and to media for weather alerts."

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# Sports

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## High school football gets rolling on Friday night



### GLENBARD EAST

*Upstate Eight (Valley) Conference*  
**2014 record:** 3-6 overall; (Class 8A)  
 1-6 conference (seventh place in the  
 Upstate Eight Valley Conference)  
**Head Coach:** John Walters  
 (Four seasons; 7-29 overall)

#### 2015 SCHEDULE

Aug. 28 ..... Willowbrook  
 Sept. 4 ..... Glenbard South  
 Sept. 11 ..... East Aurora  
 Sept. 18 ..... at Glenbard North  
 Sept. 25 ..... at West Chicago  
 Oct. 2\* ..... South Elgin  
 Oct. 9 ..... Geneva  
 Oct. 16 ..... at West Aurora  
 Oct. 23 ..... Bartlett



### WILLOWBROOK

*West Suburban Gold Conference*  
**2014 record:** 2-7 overall; (Class 7A)  
 2-4 conference (tied for fourth in the  
 West Suburban Gold Conference)  
**Head Coach:** Nick Hildreth  
 (Four seasons; 15-23 overall)

#### 2015 SCHEDULE

Aug. 28 ..... at Glenbard East  
 Sept. 4 ..... at Proviso West  
 Sept. 11 ..... Addison Trail  
 Sept. 18 ..... at Hinsdale South  
 Sept. 25\* ..... York  
 Oct. 2 ..... at Morton  
 Oct. 9 ..... Proviso East  
 Oct. 16 ..... Downers Grove South  
 Oct. 23 ..... at Leyden



### MONTINI

*Chicago Catholic (Green) Conference*  
**2014 record:** 10-4 overall; (Class 5A)  
 3-1 conference; (tied for first; Chicago  
 Catholic Green Conference)  
*IHSA Class 5A state runner-up*  
**Head Coach:** Chris Andriano  
 (36 seasons; 279-124 overall)

#### 2015 SCHEDULE

Aug. 28 ..... Maine South  
 Sept. 5 ..... at East St. Louis  
 Sept. 11 ..... St. Rita  
 Sept. 18\* ..... De La Salle  
 Sept. 25 ..... at Leo  
 Oct. 2 ..... at St. Joseph (at Elmhurst College)  
 Oct. 9 ..... St. Francis  
 Oct. 17 ..... at Fenwick (at Morton West H.S.)  
 Oct. 23 ..... at Marmion

#### \*HOMECOMING GAME

Glenbard East and Willowbrook haven't played a Friday-night season opener since 2012. The Rams and Warriors were supposed to meet in Friday-night openers during each of the last two seasons, but Mother Nature intervened. Stormy weather, including lightning in the area, caused the 2013 opener in Lombard to be postponed for one day. Inclement weather also postponed last year's opener in Villa Park, pushing the opening kickoff to the following afternoon.

This Friday's weather forecast calls for calm conditions that will allow the Rams and Warriors to tangle under the lights in front of a spirited audience at Glenbard East. The Saturday contests over the last

two years didn't have the attendance, or corresponding energy level, of a usual Friday-night meeting.

Glenbard East has won the last two season openers against Willowbrook. The Rams have won eight of 10 meetings against the Warriors since the two schools renewed their football rivalry in 2005, ending an eight-year hiatus.

The Rams are beginning their second season in the Upstate Eight Conference after leaving the DuPage Valley Conference. Glenbard East enjoyed a strong start to the 2014 season, posting a 3-1 record through four games. The Rams' next three games were heartbreaking overtime losses to Waubensie Valley and Bartlett, followed by a 42-36 loss in

an offensive shootout at South Elgin. Glenbard East lost its next two games to finish the season with five straight losses.

Glenbard East's Upstate Eight Valley Conference schedule will be different from last year. Three opponents from last year—Waubensie Valley, Neuqua Valley and Metea Valley—have all left the conference. West Chicago has joined the conference, which will feature six teams this season.

In addition to Willowbrook, Glenbard East's non-conference opponents in 2015 include the Glenbard South Raiders, who will visit Lombard on Sept. 4. The Rams and Raiders haven't met on the gridiron in 20 years, when both

teams were DuPage Valley Conference rivals. Glenbard East will play a non-conference game at another former DVC opponent—Glenbard North—on Sept. 18. The Rams, whose 2015 schedule includes six home games and three road games, will play their fourth non-conference game against Geneva on Oct. 9.

Willowbrook, which posted winning seasons and earned playoff berths in 2012 and 2013, will attempt to bounce back from a 2-7 record last year. The Warriors will play their first two games on the road before opening the West Suburban Gold Conference season with a home game against District 88 rival Addison Trail on Sept. 11.

Montini, which claimed the IHSA Class 5A second-place trophy in each of the last two seasons, will open its 2015 campaign with this Friday's home game against perennial power Maine South. The two teams met in last year's memorable season opener in Park Ridge. Montini held what appeared to be a commanding 35-15 lead in the fourth quarter, but the Hawks scored three late touchdowns to pull out a 36-35 victory.

The Broncos' first three games of the 2015 season are against teams that advanced to the playoffs last year. Montini, which won four straight IHSA Class 5A state titles from 2009-12, will close out its regular season with another three games against playoff opponents.



### Firebirds gear up for the fall season...

THE FIREBIRDS SOCCER CLUB'S FALL SHOWCASE on Saturday in Lombard gave teams an opportunity to play friendly matches to prepare for the upcoming fall season. Teams from traveling programs in Glen Ellyn, Wheaton and Downers Grove joined the Firebirds in the event. While most of the event's matches were played at Sunset Knoll, a few matches were played at Southland Park and at Glenbard East. The above photos are from Saturday afternoon's play at Sunset Knoll. The Firebirds Soccer Club currently has 28 teams and over 300 participants. The boys and girls teams range from the U-8 through the high school age level.

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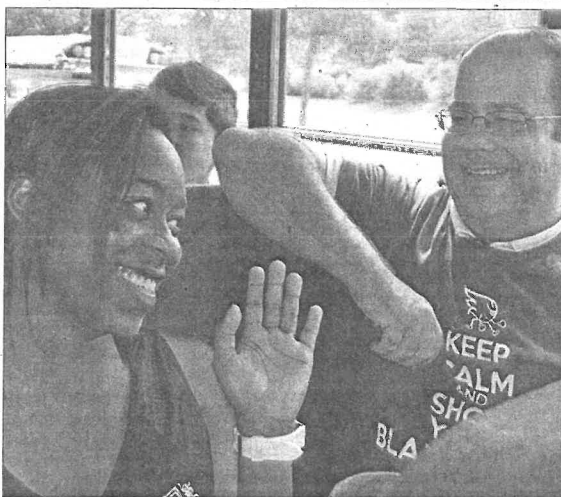
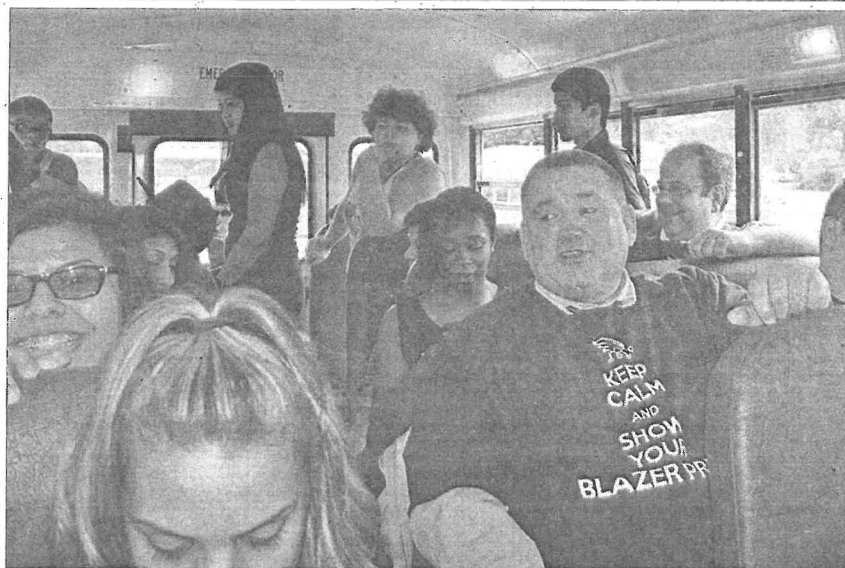
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## District 88 administrators ride bus first day of school

(Above): District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton (in the "Blazer Pride" T-shirt) and new Addison Trail Principal Mike Bolden (in the seat behind Helton) ride a bus with students on the first day of the 2015-16 school year on Aug. 19 to celebrate the beginning of the school year. (Left): New Addison Trail Principal Mike Bolden shares a laugh with Addison Trail senior Destenye Davis during a bus ride on the first day of the 2015-16 school year on Aug. 19.

courtesy photos

## Mayslake courtyard restoration project gets under way

OAK BROOK — Work has begun to restore the rear courtyard and breakfast porch area at the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County's historic Mayslake Hall at Mayslake Peabody Estate in Oak Brook.

The project will restore the exterior brickwork to a recessed, or "raked," mortar-joint finish; replace 21 second-story windows; repair the chimney, stucco, copper scuppers and downspouts; and replace barge boards. Work began in early August and should finish by the end of October.

The restoration will enhance visitors' experiences during on-site activities, programs and events and expand indoor and outdoor special event space.

"Mayslake is a beloved cultural and historical gem in DuPage County," said Forest Preserve District Commissioner Jeff Redick, District 2. "A restored and improved Mayslake will be an important tool in introducing people to nature through the arts."

The Board of Commissioners approved hiring Renaissance Restoration Inc. of Galena to do the work for \$634,614.

The Mayslake Hall Restoration Society raised more than \$100,000 for the project, and the Friends of the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County raised \$11,390. The remainder will be funded through District bond funds and planning, construction and development funds.

"We are very grateful for the support of so many individuals who are helping us restore this important part of DuPage County's history," said Forest Preserve President Joe Cantore.

In 1919 Francis Stuyvesant Peabody commissioned renowned Chicago architect Benjamin H. Marshall to design the Tudor Revival-style mansion known today as Mayslake Hall. After his death in 1922, Peabody's family sold the estate to the Franciscan Order of the Friars Minor, Province of the Sacred Heart and the hall became a retreat house. Over time, the order sold off sections of the estate, eventually selling the last remaining acres, including Mayslake Hall, a friary and the Portiuncula Chapel, to the Forest Preserve District in 1993 after voters approved the purchase by referendum.

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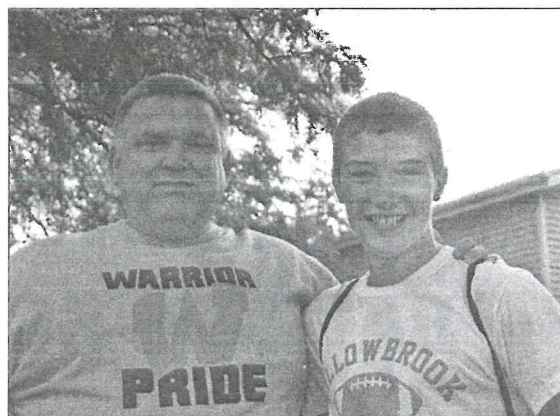
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## District 88 administrators ride bus first day of school

(top left): Willowbrook Principal Dan Krause takes a selfie with students during a bus ride on the first day of the 2015-16 school year on Aug. 19. Krause and District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton rode a bus to school with students to celebrate the beginning of the school year.  
(top middle): District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton (right) rides a bus to

school with Willowbrook senior Elijah Rochel on the first day of the 2015-16 school year on Aug. 19. It was a fitting start to Rochel's last year at Willowbrook, as Helton also rode the bus with Rochel on the first day of his freshman year (pictured top right).

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To sign up, contact District 88 Director of Community Relations Dani Brink at 630-530-3989 or dbrink@dupage88.net. Please include the following information:

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## POLICE REPORTS

Area Police Departments recently reported the following arrests and citations. Readers are reminded that an arrest does not constitute a conviction, and that subjects are considered innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law. Juveniles age 17-or-younger are not named.

### Addison Aug. 20

Marcos Solano, 18, of Addison, was arrested in the 800 block of College Blvd. at around 1:44 a.m. Police said Solano had a failure to appear warrant out of the DuPage County Sheriff's Department.

### Aug. 19

Mitchell Stroud, 56, of Gary, Ind., was arrested at around 4:30 p.m. and charged with forgery, attempted theft and unlawful possession of an identification card.

### Aug. 18

Vincenzo F. Fiasche, 21, of Schaumburg, was arrested in the 700 block of Mavis Lane at

around 10:20 p.m. and charged with unlawful possession of a controlled substance.

### Aug. 17

Robert Adams, 57, of Wood Dale, was arrested in the 1-100 block of W. Lake St. at around 12:43 p.m. and charged with retail theft.

Humza Ahmad, 21, of Hoffman Estates, and Alicia D. Bellino, 19, of Addison, were arrested in the 200 block of S. Rohlwing Road at around 11:48 p.m. Both were charged with possession of drug paraphernalia at Nike Park. Bellino was additionally charged with possession of cannabis.

### Aug. 14

Gerardo Zarate, 41, of Villa Park, was arrested in the 1600 block of Michigan Avenue at around 4:53 p.m. and charged with battery.

### Villa Park

No reports were received from Villa Park Police last week.

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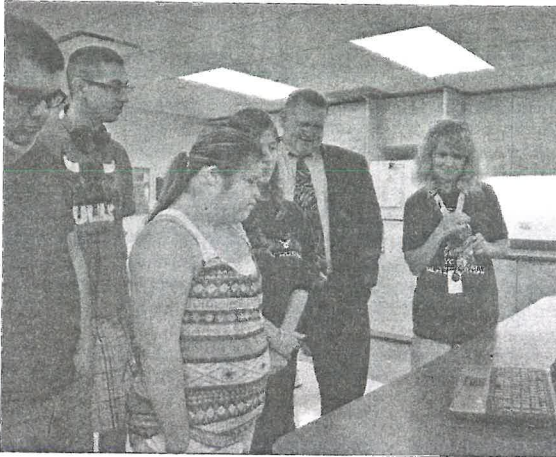
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### On the first day of the 2015-16 school year...

(top left): District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton (second from right) and District 88 Transition Program students and staff watch a video featuring several students from that program. The video was part of District 88's segment with Addison Community Television (ACTV), called "The State of District 88." To watch the video, as well as previous shows, go to [dupage88.net/site/page/3802](http://dupage88.net/site/page/3802). Helton visited the Transition Program on the first day of the 2015-16 school year on Aug. 19 to welcome the students to the new school year. Also pictured are (from left) students Guilherme Nogueira, Michael Andejeski, Mayra Aiburto and Christina Jewell and vocational aide Olga Berlina.

(bottom left): District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton (right) watches the video mentioned above with Transition Program students (from left) Michael Andejeski, Antina Tucci and Christina Jewell.

(top right): District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton (left) greets District 88 Transition Program student Devonte Watkins (second from right) on the first day of the 2015-16 school year on Aug. 19. Helton visited the Transition Program to welcome the students to the new school year.

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# Morris shoots 79 in debut for Addison Trail boys golf team

## Blazers girls golf team looking to take the next step

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

Addison Trail freshman Blaise Morris started his high school golf career off in impressive fashion.

Morris shot a 79 in his first high school tournament.

"If he continues to work

hard all year he will be a kid to keep an eye on because he is going to become a great golfer," said Addison Trail boys golf coach Eric Norberg.

Norberg noted Addison Trail graduated six seniors from last year's team. "And all of them were above average golfers," he said. "We are going to need last year's juniors and sophomores to step up their games."

Leading the list of returners this season is senior Santino Bilotta.

"Golf is a game where you

can never settle," said Norberg. "We need to work on every aspect of our game in order to improve."

Addison Trail girls golf

The Addison Trail girls golf team is coming off a 2014 season where it finished 10th in the West Suburban Conference.

The Blazers return the likes of seniors Kelsey Bauers and Ally Galvan. Some newcom-

ers to the team include sophomores Sara Gagliano, Julia Strazeki and Francesca Capparelli.

Coach Phil Stewart said senior leadership will be a key strength for the team this year, while consistency and putting are two areas the squad is hard at work on.

Stewart, who said defending state champion Hinsdale Central is again the favorite in the

WSC, is particularly interested in seeing how the sophomore trio of Gagliano, Strazeki and Capparelli pans out.

"Keep an eye on the three newcomers," he said. "I hope they step up and show their true ability."

Stewart is excited about the 2015 season. "Our outlook is better than last year," he said. "We hope to win several matches this year."

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## Jesse White to retire after fifth term

**Founder of Tumblers, 81, won't seek**

**re-election in 2018**

**ILLINOIS NET NET-  
WORK** — After five terms as Illinois secretary of state, Jesse White announced at the Illinois State Fair on Thursday, August 20, that he will retire from public office when his current term ends, he told visitors at the Illinois State Fair on Thursday, August 20.

The Chicago Democrat, a former Cook County Recorder of Deeds and state legislator, said his decision to not seek re-election in 2018 is final.

"Take it to the bank," said White, who has previously discussed retirement. "This is it."

The 81-year-old Alton native said he'd surely be on the job for the remainder of this term, though.

"Oh, sure, I'll be there every day, at my duty station and discharging my duties to the best of my abilities," White told reporters at the Illinois State Fair.

A former Army paratrooper, White also played minor league baseball and spent three decades in the Chicago public school system as a teacher and administrator. In 1959, he founded the acclaimed Jesse White Tumbling Team for children in the

Chicago area.  
**Governor signs bill for federal funding**

Gov. Bruce Rauner on Thursday, August 20, signed a bill to access about \$5.4 billion in federal funding for Illinois programs that would have been otherwise tied up because of the lack of a state budget.

The measure, Senate Bill 2042, "will help those in need without adding to the state's budget deficit," Rauner spokesman Lance Trover said in a news release. The bill "allows the state to provide some services to the state's most vulnerable citizens," he added.

The bill also authorizes the state to pay \$166 million from its own funds toward debt service for Chicago's Metropolitan Pier & Exposition Authority.

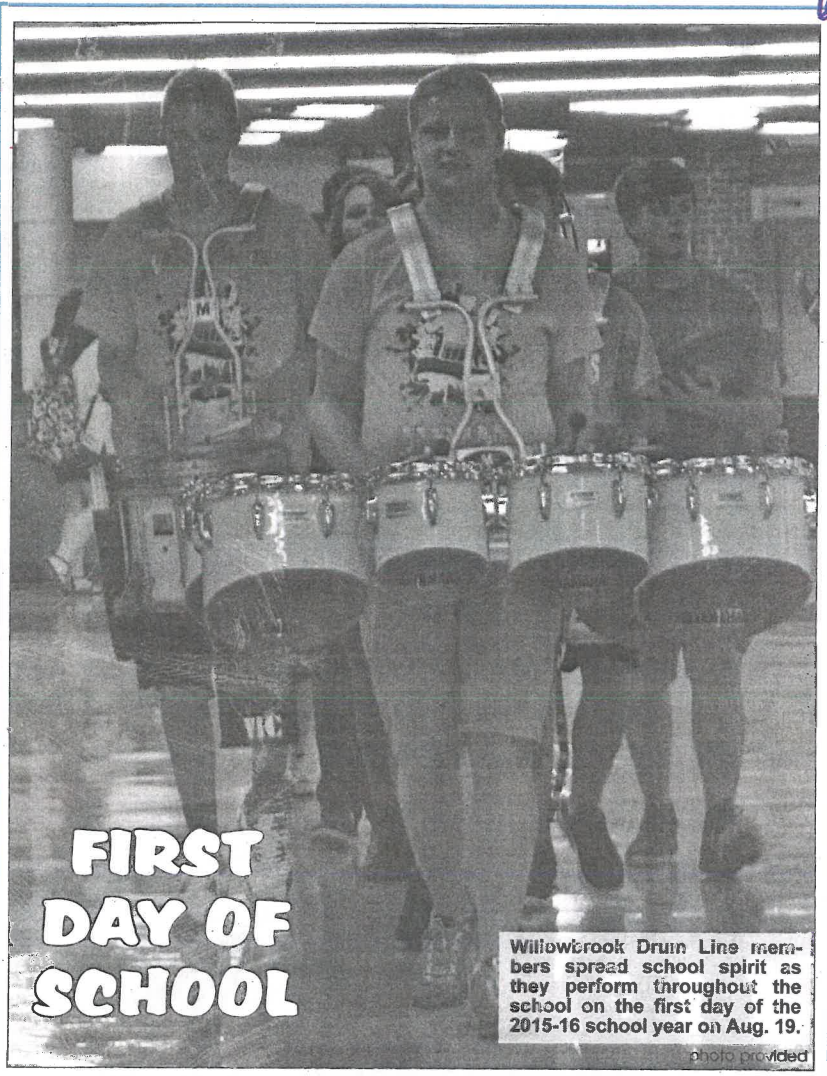
House Democrats last week attempted to add another \$585 million in state general fund spending, but they backed off that effort when it appeared they were lacking votes.

The bill passed the House by a 98 to 0 vote. The Senate on Wednesday night sent it to the governor on a vote of 52 to 0.

**MAP Grant funding bill moves to House; Will help Illinois college students**

By a vote of 37 to 0, the

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**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

Willowbrook Drum Line members spread school spirit as they perform throughout the school on the first day of the 2015-16 school year on Aug. 19.

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# WBHS to recognize Distinguished Alums, Service

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

The class of 2015 inductees will be recognized on Thursday, Sept. 24 during a dinner

in their honor at The Carlisle in Lombard, as well as on Sept. 25 during Willowbrook's Homecoming pep assembly.

To attend the dinner, please RSVP by Sept. 3 to Geri Hayes at ghayes@dupage88.net or 630-530-3439. Be sure to include the number of people you will be bringing and the spelling of their names.

To nominate an alumni or a staff member to be an inductee

of next year's class of 2016, complete the form at dupage88.net/site/public/files/item=645 and submit it by April 20, 2016, to:

Willowbrook High School  
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Distinguished Service  
Awards program  
1250 S. Ardmore Ave.  
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It can also be submitted to Alumni@dupage88.net or send

by fax to 630-530-3401.

## Distinguished Alumni class of 2015 inductees

Thomas Hedberg Jr. — Class of 2001

Carrie Johnson — Class of 1990

Rick Kurasz — Class of 1990

Jim Medford — Class of 1974

Ron Rakosnik — Class of 1975

Rich Ramazinski — Class of 2008

1997

Irene Shaffer — Class of 1963

Ernie Slavik III — Class of 1964

Robert Stahelin — Class of 1994

## Distinguished Service class of 2015 inductees

Richard Chamberlain — 1990-2001

Joy Joyce — 1972-2005

Kathy Marcyniuk — 1994-2008

## VPRD NEWS AND EVENTS...

### Clubs, groups, individuals sought for Adopt-A-Park

VILLA PARK — Parks and Recreation invites residents, businesses and everyone who take pride in their community to keep Villa Park's outdoor spaces looking the best they can. The Adopt-A-Park Pro-

gram offers great team building or community service opportunity for youth groups, families, businesses or sports teams. This program is a partnership between community groups, residents and the Village of Villa Park and is dedicated to maintaining parks, facilities and other natural areas in the Village through this volunteer effort. Adopt-A-Park offers two types of adoptions: one focused on litter control and maintenance; and another

focused on planting and maintaining existing flower beds.

For more information or to sign up to adopt a park, visit [invillepark.com](http://invillepark.com) and click on "Adopt-A-Park" under Community Programs.

### Life Line offers various health screenings for seniors

Life Line Screening will visit Parks and Recreation on Tuesday, October 13 from 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., when they will again offer affordable, non-

invasive and painless health screenings at the Community Recreation Building, 320 E. Wildwood Ave. Five screenings will be offered to scan for potential problems related to: blocked arteries, which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms, which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs, which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to

stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and woman, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. This Wellness package includes four vascular tests and osteoporosis screening for \$149 (\$139 with their member discount). In order to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129 please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit [lifelinescreening.com/communitypartners](http://lifelinescreening.com/communitypartners).

All five screening take 60-90 minutes to complete.

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY

VILLA PARK — The following are meetings, seminars and classes that will be held at the Villa Park Public Library, 305 S. Ardmore. For more information or to register, call the numbers that are associated with each entry below or go online to: [vppl.info](http://vppl.info).

### Saturday, Sept. 5, 10-10:45 a.m. Grandparents Day celebration

Stories, songs and activities for young children and their adults, including a "make and take" project to enjoy together. Celebrate your grandparents with special stories and delicious snacks for grandparents and grandchildren alike.

Register in advance for this special session. Call the Youth Services Department at 630-834-1176 or visit the library's website for more details.

### Thursday, Sept. 10 and Thursday, Sept. 24, 3-4:30 p.m.: Kids create!

Bring your ideas to life using your ingenuity and our tools. We'll have a Silhouette Cameo electronic cutting machine available, on loan from Make It @ Your Library, a grant-funded program. You must attend the first session on Sept. 10 in order to attend the second session on Sept. 24.

This program is for grades 3-5. Registration is required. Call the Youth Services Department at 630-834-1176 or visit the library's website for more details.

### Saturday, Sept. 12: Library to host Early Childhood Extravaganza

All Villa Park Public Library cardholders are invited to attend this free and fun event devoted exclusively to young children.

Interested in improving your child's love of reading? Library staff will be on hand to unveil 1000 Books Before Kindergarten, the library's brand-new program that rewards reading for young children. Sign your little ones up for the

journey through the 1,000 books recommended for all children to read before entering kindergarten.

Looking for advice on how to save for future educational expenses? A representative from Edward Jones will be able to explain all about the 529 Plan: what it is, how it works and how you can open a 529 Plan for your child.

Weighing preschool or daycare options? Representatives from local Villa Park and Oakbrook Terrace childcare centers will be available to talk about their programs and registration procedures and to answer any questions you may have.

Drop in with your little ones to learn more and to check out all the library has to offer. Refreshments will be served.

This program is sponsored by the Youth Services Department. Registration is not required. For more information, visit the library's web site or call 630-834-1176.

### Monday, Sept. 14, 7-8 p.m.:

#### Library hosts Cosley Zoo program

The Cosley Zoo is an environmentally conscious zoo accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) and operated by the Wheaton Park District. With over 150 different animals, the zoo gives visitors an up close look at many different domestic farm animals and Illinois native wildlife.

Join Natasha Fischer, Education Specialist, to hear all about the zoo's citizen science projects and how you can participate. Learn about the simple things you can do to help the wildlife in your own backyard.

Registration is required. For more information, visit the library's website or call 630-834-1164. For more information on The Cosley Zoo, visit their website at [cosleyzoo.org](http://cosleyzoo.org).

### Tuesday, Sept. 15, 6-7 p.m.:

#### ESSENTRICs class at the library

Looking to try a great new workout

that improves posture, increases flexibility and reduces pain and stress? Come to an ESSENTRICs class at the Villa Park Public Library.

The ESSENTRICs program presents a dynamic workout based on principles drawn from the flowing movements of tai chi, from the strengthening theories behind ballet and from the healing principles of physiotherapy. This workout is designed to lengthen and strengthen every muscle, to increase bodily health and balance, and to create a pain-free body.

Each session is led by Lisa Sawczuk, a Certified ESSENTRICs Instructor from ESSENTRICs of Lombard. For more information, visit [essentricsoflombard.com](http://essentricsoflombard.com).

Registration is required. Wear comfortable clothing. Bring an exercise mat or large towel for floor work. Limit of 20. For ages 13 and older. For more information, visit the library's website or call 630-834-1164.

### Sunday, Sept. 20, 3-4 p.m.:

#### Learn how to grow your own herbs

Herbs are a tasty, nutritious way to add flavor without salt. Join "seasoned" gardener Donna Askins for hands-on learning about how to grow herbs in containers. Fresh herbs in a container will be given away to one participant at the end of the program.

The program is limited to 40 attendees and registration is required. For more information, visit the library's website or call 630-834-1164.

### Tuesday, Sept. 22, 7:30 p.m.:

#### Library wants your team for trivia at Crazy Pour

Put your knowledge to the test. Participate in Team Trivia Tuesday starting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22 at Crazy Pour, 105 E. North Ave., Villa Park. We are celebrating our one year anniversary of Team Trivia Tuesday, so mark your

calendar now and don't miss out on the celebration!

Calling all community groups! Use Team Trivia Tuesday for outreach for your organization. Form teams with friends, family, colleagues, church groups, clubs and other organizations. If you would prefer to come on your own, the library will place you on a team. Join your hosts from Villa Park Public Library and compete in teams of up to eight adults. The winning teams will receive fabulous prizes courtesy of Crazy Pour.

Library staff will attempt to thwart your knowledge with a mixture of questions in various categories. Trivia categories include, but are not limited to, In the News, sports, history, movies/TV, music, science, and useless trivia. Like us on Facebook to get a jump on the competition. Categories and topic hints will only be announced in advance on our Facebook page.

Registration is not required, but appreciated. For more information, check out the Villa Park Public Library website or call 630-834-1164, Ext. 5.

More information is also available online at: [crazypour.com](http://crazypour.com).

### Library seeks local authors

Calling all local authors! The Villa Park Public Library is inviting you to participate in a Local Author Showcase from 2-4:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18.

Present your work in a lively panel discussion moderated by library staff. Meet your current fans, gain new fans and sell your books.

The Villa Park Public Library is a passionate advocate for literacy and lifelong learning and supports local authors in their efforts. If you would like to showcase your work at this event, please contact Sean Birmingham at 630-834-1164, Ext. 119.