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## Bond set for man allegedly found with child pornography

**Police find  
Kindle with  
suspect cache  
at his home**

ADDISON — According to the office of DuPage County State's Attorney Robert Berlin, 49-year-old David Prefountain of Addison has been charged with two counts of child pornography and is currently being held on \$750,000 bail at the DuPage County Jail.

Prefountain was arrested Wednesday, September 16, after the Addison Police Department was tipped off to Internet child pornography activity in the area, Berlin's office reported. An investigation led officers to the suspect's home and the execution of a search warrant resulted in the discovery of a Kindle tablet, which contained images of child pornography.

The next court date for Prefountain is set for Oct. 5. Should he be able to post bond, additional conditions for bond include that he cannot have contact with children younger than 18 and that he cannot have Internet access, according to Berlin's office.

## SCOUTS TURN OUT TO HONOR VETERANS, FIRST RESPONDERS



Pictured are members of Boy Scout Troop 199, who presented a Color Guard before District 88's crosstown football game between Willowbrook and Addison Trail on Sept. 11. They are: (from left): Vincenzo Ledonne, Devin Cullerton, Charlie O'Byrne, Nick Capitelli, Nick Swastek and Sam D'Alessandro. Full story and more photos inside this issue.

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Pictured above are first responders, veterans and local officials who were recognized and honored during District 88's crosstown football game between Willowbrook and Addison Trail on Sept. 11. Also pictured are Boy Scouts from Troop 199, who presented a Color Guard before the game.

## District 88 hosts veterans, first responders for special recognition

VILLA PARK — On Sept. 11, District 88 invited first responders, veterans and local officials to attend the annual crosstown football game between Willowbrook and Addison Trail. This year's game took place at Willowbrook, and the Addison Trail Blazers won 28-26.

The district introduced the guests to the crowd to thank them for their support of District 88 and to honor the memory of those who lost their lives during the terrorist attacks against the U.S. on Sept. 11, 2001, as well as those who continue to defend our freedoms.

Nearly 40 guests attended the game, representing the Village of Addison, the DeVry Military Resource Club, the Addison Fire Protection District, the Addison VFW, the Village of Villa Park, the Villa Park Police Department, the Villa Park Fire Department, the Villa Park VFW, Superintendents from School District 45 and Salt Creek School District 48 and active members of the U.S. Army and the U.S. Navy. District 88 Board of Education members attended as well. Boy Scouts from Troop 199 presented a Color Guard and State Sen. Tom Cullerton took part in the coin toss to start the game.



Above: Petty Officer 1st Class Antwaun Paige, who is serving in the U.S. Navy, waves to the crowd as his name is called.

Center: District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton (left) shares a laugh with State Sen. Tom Cullerton during the football game. Cullerton took part in the coin toss to start the game.



Left: Pictured are first responders, veterans and local officials who were recognized and honored during District 88's crosstown football game between Willowbrook and Addison Trail on Sept. 11.

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UPDATE**



**by Jeffrey T. Boland**  
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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**  
No reports were received from the Addison Police Department this week.

### Villa Park Sept. 12

- Criminal damage to a motor vehicle was reported in the 600 block of S. Grant at around 8:54 p.m. Police said an unknown suspect smashed the brake light of a vehicle.

- Theft was reported in the 500 block of S. Summit at around 10:30 a.m. Police said an unknown suspect stole a wooden historical plaque from a victim's residence.

- A male juvenile from Villa Park was arrested in the 300 block of W. Wildwood at around 9:36 p.m. and charged with disorderly conduct.

### Sept. 11

- Nino J. Arredondo, 19, of Elgin, was arrested in the 1500 block of S. Ardmore at around 1:44 p.m. and charged with attempted robbery, aggravated battery and unlawful restraint.

- Tracy L. Fairhurst, 54, of Lisle, was arrested at a local store at around 7:15 p.m. and charged with retail theft.

- Christopher Kabat, 37, of Chicago, was arrested near Division and Cornell at around 6:42 p.m. and charged with disorderly conduct.

- Retail theft was reported at local store at around 2:58 p.m. An unknown suspect, described as an Hispanic male, reportedly removed eight GPS units from a store shelf and left the store without paying for them.

### Sept. 10

- Joshua P. Johnson, 19, of Broadview, was arrested at a local store at around 9:46 p.m. and charged with retail theft.

- Criminal damage was reported in the 300 block of S. Ardmore at around 9 a.m. Police said an unknown suspect damaged the back door of a building.

### Sept. 9-Sept. 10

Theft to a motor vehicle was reported in the 1600 block of S. Michigan. Police said that between the above dates, an unknown suspect stole the catalytic converter from a vehicle while it was parked and unoccupied in a parking lot.

### Sept. 9

- Remigiusz K. Roscinski, 21, of Bensenville, was arrested near

Armitage and Princeton at around 11:34 p.m. and charged with possession of a controlled substance, improper use of registration, driving while license suspended and no insurance.

- A 33-year-old Villa Park man was arrested in the 700 block of N. Lincoln at around 10:27 a.m. and charged with two counts of domestic battery.

- Police said an unknown suspect stole a vehicle between 5 and 7 p.m. that was parked in the 1100 block of N. Villa unsecured and unoccupied in front of a local business.

### Sept. 6-Sept. 8

Criminal damage to a vehicle was reported in the 600 block of S. Princeton. Police said that between the above dates, an unknown suspect damaged the door handle on a vehicle that was parked in a driveway.

### Sept. 6

- Adam E. Sachs, 31, of Lake Forest, was arrested near North Avenue and Villa at around 11:21 p.m. and charged with possession of drug paraphernalia.

- Criminal damage to property was reported in the 600 block of W. Pleasant at around 3:03 p.m. Police said an unknown suspect damaged the front window of a residence.



courtesy photo

## District 88 celebrates summer graduates

Pictured are students who were recognized during District 88's Summer Commencement celebration. The event took place before the District 88 Board of Education meeting on Sept. 14. Pictured are (from left) WBHS graduate Kasey Artrip, AHS graduate Lauren Szydlowski, WBHS graduate Amber Joseph and WBHS graduate Justin Johnson. Not pictured from AHS: Martin Antunez, Rubiela Cobos, Beatriz Hernandez-Herrera, Rebecca Lozano, Ruben Paredes, and Brandon Urbano; not pictured from WBHS: Jazmin Banuelos, Silvana Bertolli, Elizabeth Botello, Sarah DeMuro, Bret Golz, Halston Lee, Emily Robinson and Michael Roby II.

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# Willowbrook boys soccer team off to red-hot start

**Warriors 8-1 overall through first nine games**

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

Through late last week, the Willowbrook boys soccer team was riding a seven-game winning streak.

The team's only blemish on its 8-1 record (through its first 9 games) was a 5-3 loss to Glenbard North early in the season.

It's safe to say Willowbrook learned its lesson from that

loss.

"The reason we lost that game was we played a very poor first half," said Warriors coach Pete Ginter. "The guys were not ready to play the game. Glenbard North scored in the first minute of the game. We scored three goals in the second half. We talked about starting strong in the beginning of the game and being mentally prepared out there. The boys learned from that game. We've scored the first goal in every game since and have won every game."

In recent action, Willowbrook recorded a 2-0 West Suburban Conference crossover

win against Glenbard West. The Warriors also scored WSC Gold Division victories over Hinsdale South (4-1) and Proviso East (4-1).

"Our possession game has significantly improved," said Ginter. "We're passing and moving the ball much quicker and we are getting a lot of possession in our opponents' half. We're also emphasizing team defense and what we are doing when we don't have the ball. It's important for us to continue to re-press and get the ball right away and organize. We're also shutting down the opponent's possession through the mid-field. The bottom line is we are

intercepting a lot of balls in the midfield as opposed to deep in our end. We're doing well with our counterattack. We're transitioning well on offense and defense in the middle as opposed to in our own end. It's worked well and it's made a big difference for us."

Willowbrook also has thrived on offense. Saul Hernandez had 14 goals through last last week. Aaron Johnson scored both goals against Glenbard West, upping his total to nine goals for the season.

"We have some very outstanding forwards who are scoring a lot of goals for us," said Ginter.

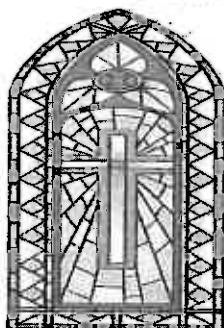
The coach cited strong play in the back from center midfielders Stasiu Szudrowicz and Lucas Betts, along with outside defenders Tomas Hernandez and Ali Saleh.

"Our back-four defenders are playing extremely well," said Ginter. "Since that Glenbard North game we've only allowed four goals. We had that one tough game."

Szudrowicz, in particular, has stepped his game up. "Stasiu has been outstanding for us," said Ginter.

Goalie Asmir Perviz also has played well. Backup goalie

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# Willowbrook football team defeats Hinsdale South

## Addison Trail football loses to Downers Grove South

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

In Week 3, Addison Trail got the upper hand in the annual District 88 game against Willowbrook.

A week later, both teams continued West Suburban Conference Gold Division play with different results.

Willowbrook downed Hinsdale South, while Addison Trail suffered a loss to Downers Grove South.

### Willowbrook football

The Willowbrook football team evened its record at 2-2 with a 27-13 WSC Gold Division win over Hinsdale South in Darien.

The Warriors also evened their conference record at 1-1.

Hinsdale South came into the game with a 2-1 record and fresh off a Week 3 victory over Downers Grove South (42-20).

Hinsdale South's 13-point

output was much less than its first three-week scoring totals of 43, 31 and 42 points.

Willowbrook matched its win total from 2014 in only Week 4 of the season.

The Warriors return to action Friday at home in the third of its three annual neighborhood games when York comes to town for a 7:30 p.m. WSC crossover game. York is 1-3 on the season.

### Addison Trail football

Addison Trail saw its record go to 2-2 after a 37-21 WSC Gold loss to Downers Grove

South. The Blazers now are 1-1 in conference play.

Downers Grove South came into the game winless at 0-3.

Addison Trail returns to the

field Friday at home against Leyden at 7:30 p.m. Leyden also is 2-2 after losing 10-7 in a WSC crossover game to Lyons Township.

### Week 5 Preview

**Leyden (2-2, 1-0) at Addison Trail (2-2, 1-1)**

**When: Friday, 7:30 p.m.**

**Where: Addison Trail High School**

**Last week: Lyons Township 10, Leyden 7; Downers South 37, Addison Trail 21**

**Last year: Addison Trail 40, Leyden 7**

**Outlook:** Addison Trail hosts one of the WSC Gold Division co-leaders in Leyden. The Eagles and Morton both are 1-0 in conference play, while Addison Trail, Hinsdale South, Willowbrook and Downers South have 1-1 records—in other words it's still anybody's race. Thus, a win here for either team could go a long way to helping establish better footing in the league race. Leyden lost by a field goal to Lyons Township in Week 4. The Eagles hold wins over Fenton and Proviso East (a combined 1-5 heading into Week 4) and also lost by a score to York.

### Week 5 Preview

**York (1-3) at Willowbrook (2-2)**

**When: Friday, 7:30 p.m.**

**Where: Willowbrook High School, Villa Park**

**Last week: Hinsdale Central 52, York 21; Willowbrook 27, Hinsdale South 13**

**Last year: York 42, Willowbrook 7**

**Outlook:** York is coming off a pair of West Suburban Conference Silver Division losses to perennial conference contenders Glenbard West and Hinsdale Central. York's only win came in Week 2 against Leyden. Willowbrook comes home after going on the road in Week 4 and recording a win against Hinsdale South. This game holds significance for both teams. A York win would end a two-game skid heading into four straight conference games, while a Willowbrook victory would give the Warriors a huge boost in the quest to become playoff eligible.

## • Soccer (Continued from page 8)

Zach Boehm got the shutout against Glenbard West.

"I'm not totally surprised with how we've done," said Ginter. "This has been a three-year building process with these kids. A lot of them have been on varsity since they were sophomores. They are really clicking as a team. Being together for three years, they really understand each other. They anticipate passes and know where to be and get in the right place at the right time. It's a special group of kids who have played together for awhile and their play is culminating in

a lot of success."

Willowbrook will face state power Morton in a WSC Gold game in early October in Villa Park.

"We play in one of the toughest soccer conferences in the state," said Ginter. "Morton was state champion two years ago. We played very tough teams. We still have to play Downers Grove South and Hinsdale Central. These all should be great games for us. We're playing some of the top teams in the state and the way we are playing right now I think we are going to be ready for these

teams when the time comes."

Through nine games, Ginter couldn't be happier. "You have to take a good working relationship with the feeder programs, good coaching at the lower levels and hard work from the kids and put it all together," he said. "The kids that have come up through the program have talent. We have more soccer players here now than we've ever had before. We've changed the culture of soccer here since I first arrived. It's been four years to build it up again. It's a really exciting time here for us."

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### AT soccer players help younger students

Above: Addison Trail sophomore Jonathan Hernandez helps Moriah Green, who attends Lincoln Elementary School, with her homework at the Henry Hyde Resource Center in Addison. Hernandez is a member of the Addison Trail Varsity Boys Soccer Team and visited the Henry Hyde Resource Center on Sept. 16 with his teammates to give back and volunteer to help younger students. Right: Members and coaches of the Addison Trail Varsity Boys Soccer Team pose with younger students they volunteered to help at the Henry Hyde Resource Center.



## Addison Trail High School holds College, Career fairs

### More than 80 colleges, 50 careers represented

**ADDISON** — On Sept. 15, Addison Trail hosted a College Fair that featured more than 80 colleges and universities. Students were able to visit booths with information during their lunch periods to learn more about the postsecondary options available to them.

To see a list of the schools that attended the fair, go to [dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=2436](http://dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=2436).

And on Sept. 16, Addison Trail hosted a Career Fair that featured more than 50 career options. Students were able to visit booths with information during their lunch periods to learn more about those careers. To see a list of the businesses that attended the fair, go

to [dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=2436](http://dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=2436).

"We host these events because we want our students

to begin with the end in mind," said AT Principal Michael Bolden. "We know exposing students to the various post-

secondary options available to them will help them plan their futures and be successful in whichever path they choose."



On Sept. 16, Addison Trail hosted a Career Fair that featured more than 50 career options. John Hanks (center), admissions representative with Universal Technical Institute, speaks with seniors Eric Soto (left) and Leo Favela.



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On Sept. 15, Addison Trail hosted a College Fair that featured more than 80 colleges and universities. Pictured are (top left): Junior Kristian Santiago speaks with Sally Baker, admission counselor with DePaul University. (top right): Joshua Carp (right), admissions recruiter with Taylor University, shares information with (from left) sophomores Carlos Rosado, Alex Cabral and Michael Ruffolo. (bottom left): Junior Sabrina Majeed speaks with Paul Johnson, alumnus and lecturer of The University of Chicago. (bottom right): Senior Carina Ruiz fills out paperwork with Lauren Hood, admission counselor with Trine University.



## Addison Trail girls volleyball team squares off against Hinsdale South

### Blazers girls cross country team showing improvements

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

The Addison Trail girls volleyball team dropped a 31-29, 19-25, 25-23 West Suburban Conference Gold Division match to Hinsdale South.

The loss put the Blazers at 6-5.

Alyssa Pham had one dig. Anastasia Labadessa had 37 assists and eight digs. Carla Muell had 14 digs. Ciara Williams had three digs. Danielle Tulke added three aces and one dig. Jessica Mell had one ace, six kills and three digs. Keara Schmitt had four aces, nine kills and two digs. Nicole Pudlo had three kills. Nina Muella had two aces, eight kills and six digs. Sarah Petrbok had 12 kills and nine digs. The Blazers had 10 service aces in the match.

Junior outside hitters Petrbok and Schmitt, senior middle blocker Mell and senior setter Labadessa have been leading the way for the Blazers.

Labadessa was leading the

team with 31 service aces. Tulke had 22. Petrbok was tops in kills through late last week with 93. Schmitt had 65 kills, while Mell had 54 and was leading the team with 17 total blocks. Pudlo had 11 total blocks. Labadessa was tops in assists with 262, while Carla Muell had a team-high 51 digs. Petrbok was second with 49 and Labadessa third with 44.

"We are optimistic about the start of the season," said Addison Trail coach Dan Styler. "We have played in several tight matches and hope to build on invaluable pressure situations to fuel our growth."

### Addison Trail girls cross country

Addison Trail returns juniors Maria Ramos and Addie Saavedra, along with sophomores Diana Grinyuk and Natasha Oliveira.

Key newcomers to the squad include seniors Vanessa Garcia and Maria Koulogeorgas, junior Suhei Valbuena, sophomores Tatyana Rhea and Karina Martinez and freshman Mercedes Lopez.

Lopez was Addison Trail's lead runner in two recent meets. "Mercedes' energy and enthusiasm for the sport is prevalent each day at practice," coach

Kirsten Olson noted.

Valbuena also has been impressive in the early-going. "Suhei is another team member to watch," said Olson. "She has a natural stride and a competitive spirit that also are contributing to the varsity team."

Addison Trail defeated West Suburban Conference Gold Division member Hinsdale South at the sophomore and junior-varsity levels.

"We still are working on increasing our focus and com-

mitment in preseason running in order to have a solid base which will help limit injuries during the season," said Olson.

Olson has been pleased with the atmosphere around the team during the current season. "The strengths of the team this year include an increase in our team size and the fun atmosphere these girls bring to the hard work they do on a daily basis."

### Addison Trail boys golf

The Addison Trail boys golf

team dropped a recent 182-187 West Suburban Conference Gold Division match to Leyden.

Blaise Morris led the Blazers with a 43. Santino Bilotta shot 45. Jacob Bartkiewicz shot 49 and Georgie Neri had a 50.

Blazers coach Eric Norberg has been pleased with the team's commitment and work ethic thus far.

"We are practicing hard and the guys are dedicated to getting better," he said.

## Fenton football team edges Elmwood Park

### Bison girls swimming team dropping times

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

The Fenton football team evened its record at 2-2 with a recent 6-0 victory at Elmwood Park.

This was Fenton's final Metro Suburban Conference crossover game of the year. The Bison open MSC West Division play this week.

Fenton also improved to 2-0 in road games this year.

Fenton returns to action Friday in Glen Ellyn against defending conference champion Glenbard South.

### Fenton girls swimming

Numerous Fenton girls swimmers have turned in strong times thus far. Cassidy Feddersen swam 1:00.94 in the 100 against Plainfield and also went 26 seconds in the 50 against Leyden.

Amanda Tazbazian dropped 18 seconds off her time in the 500 in meets against Plainfield and Leyden.

Kanah Hori also swam 26 seconds in the 50 against Leyden. Coach Caroline Dukich also was pleased with Lexi Petrella's efforts in the IM and butterfly at

the Leyden invitational.

"Lexi had excellent performances in the IM and fly," she said.

### Fenton girls cross country

Fenton coach Sarah McDougal noted the squad is being led by sophomores Charity Bullis and Jessica McCauley, along with senior captain Marisol Garcia.

"We are seeing consistently good performances from Charity and Jessica as well as Marisol," she said.

Bullis, McCauley and Garcia are being helped by freshman Angela Duarte and sophomore Mia Clavelli.

"As for the team, times are getting better and faster each week and our confidence is growing," said McDougal. "Eighteen of our 28 runners have no previous cross-country experience so as a young team we are working on building endurance and strengthening our mental game."

The Bison are working hard at closing the time splits with its pack. "We have some work to do with closing the gap between our one, two and three position runners and our four, five, six and seven runners at the varsity level," said McDougal.

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# Addison students enjoy Salt Creek Ballet

## Take in performance at ATHS on Sept. 17

ADDISON — Nearly 2000 Addison 2nd through 5th grade students had the opportunity to enjoy a performance of *Sleeping Beauty: Aurora's Wedding* by the Salt Creek Ballet at Addison Trail High School on Thursday, September 17.

Sara Ricci, president of the Addison Center for the Arts, welcomed students and staff to the performance. The 35-minute performance was followed by a question-and-answer period and a lecture demonstration. Kelly Stokes, Community Outreach Coordinator for Salt Creek Ballet, spoke to the audience about ballet steps and movements, while members of the troupe demonstrated the movements.

Audience members then had the opportunity to stand and practice some of the ballet moves themselves.

Salt Creek Ballet provided teacher guides to staff members three weeks before the performance, giving teachers the opportunity to share some information about the ballet with students before the performance. Students were also provided with student guides that they could take home and share with their families.

The program was funded by an Arts Engagement in American Communities grant from the National Endowment for the Arts and by the Addison Center for the Arts. Addison Trail High School provided the auditorium and stage crew, and members of the Addison Center for the Arts served as ushers for the event.



Students from Lincoln School tested out their own ballet moves after enjoying a performance of the Salt Creek Ballet. (all photos provided)



Sara Ricci, president of the Addison Center for the Arts, welcomed students and staff to the performance of the Salt Creek Ballet. The ACA annually sponsors the opportunity to bring the arts to elementary school children.



Above: Cast members took part in a question-and-answer session with the audience after performing for the elementary students of District 4 schools.



Right: Kelly Stokes, Community Outreach Coordinator for Salt Creek Ballet, spoke to the audience about ballet steps and movements, while members of the troupe demonstrated the movements.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Friday, Sept. 25

#### "Backyard Birds of DuPage" featured at Lombard Garden Club meeting

At 1 p.m. in the Lombard Commons, 433 E. St. Charles Road, members and guests are invited to a program titled, "Backyard Birds of DuPage," with Jim Skieney, a naturalist at the Willowbrook Nature Center. Guests are welcome. Info: call 630-627-6513 to make a reservation.

### Thursday, Oct. 8-

### Saturday, Oct. 10

### Sunday, Oct. 11

#### Thursday, Oct. 15-Saturday, Oct. 17 "Godspell" at Elmhurst College

Elmhurst College opens its 2015-16 theater season with *Godspell*, the joy-

ous retelling of the parables of Jesus from the Gospel of Matthew, featuring music and songs that have become classics. Show times at 8 p.m. each day except Oct. 11 (at 2 p.m.) at the Mill Theatre, 253 Walter St., Elmhurst. General admission: \$7, students are \$5; senior citizens, Elmhurst College faculty and staff are \$6. To purchase tickets, call (630) 617-3005 or visit the box office, in the theater.

### Friday, Oct. 23 and Saturday, Oct. 24 Halloween Night Walks

Tickets for the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County's popular "Halloween Night Walks" go on sale at 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 3 at Fullersburg Woods Nature Education Center at 3609 Spring

Road in Oak Brook. The walks will take place from 6-9 p.m. both days. During each 75-minute, family-friendly outdoor walk, a costumed guide will lead guests through the lantern-lit woods to six stage sets featuring more than 25 costumed "actors." Tickets are \$10 each and must be purchased in person in advance at the center with cash, check, Visa, MasterCard or Discover. Info: call 630-850-8110.

### Ongoing events...

#### • Widows or Widowers

#### (W.O.W.) meet each month

Widows or Widowers (W.O.W.) of the Western Suburbs will meet on the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 537 S. York

Road, Elmhurst, starting at 6:30 p.m. Admission: \$5. Info: (630) 620-4060 or [www.cfcsites.org](http://www.cfcsites.org).

#### • Active Adults Senior Club

Adults, ages 55 or better, are invited to Park District's Active Adults Senior Club on Tuesdays from 12-2 p.m. at Community Rec Center, 120 E. Oak Street. For more information, contact Teresa Grodsky at (630) 233-7275, option #2.

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## Addison native awaits heart transplant

**Moves wife, three kids to UCLA for treatments**

By Jean Lawrence  
For The Independent

**ADDISON** — When Marty Vece was growing up on Mill Road just off Army Trail, he certainly never imagined the health challenges that would await him a little later in life.

The 1988 Addison Trail High School graduate is now living in Las Vegas and awaiting a heart transplant after a whirlwind of medical treatments.

Nine years ago, Marty was diagnosed with a condition called hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, which means that his heart muscle is excessively thickening.

"My heart was only able to pump about 50% of normal capacity because my lower left ventricle was enlarged and I also had an irregular heartbeat," he explained.

Last summer, his condition deteriorated and he was in and out of the hospital with his heart functioning at only about 20% of capacity. His Las Vegas-based cardiologist sent him to UCLA, which has a heart transplant center that serves surrounding states.

"I left on November 3 and I was supposed to be there for six days of testing but they found some serious issues with my lungs, which were overcompensating for my heart," Marty recalled. "They had originally expected that I would have a heart transplant by Christmas but they realized that I wouldn't survive a heart transplant because of my lung issues."

"Instead, they woke me up from a nap one day and told me I'd have an open heart surgery to insert something called an LVAD (Left Ventricular Assist Device) the next morning. I didn't even know what that was but it turns

out that it's a big surgery, even bigger than a heart transplant. It's a device that hooks up to your heart and a motor pushes your blood through."

In the middle of these developments, Marty's wife Elizabeth was in Las Vegas with their three daughters, ages eight, seven and two, and needed to make a quick move to Los Angeles to be with Marty for six months of care and recovery.

"We didn't expect this and it was really amazing what she was able to do in just three days," he said. "She packed everything, rented a U-Haul, found a place to live in L.A. and got my sister-in-law to come help. It was really crazy."

Marty took a leave of absence from his job as a high school English teacher and Elizabeth left her work as well. Adding insult to injury, their cost of housing in L.A. was double what they paid in Las Vegas. Thankfully, friends and family stepped in with a crowd funding website and raised enough money to fund the family's six months in L.A. The website, which is still active, was recommended by UCLA for heart transplant patients because donations are tax deductible.

Marty's family and friends are still working on fundraisers, including an anticipated walk-a-thon next spring in Addison or Elmhurst. In the meantime, Marty is back to teaching in Las Vegas but his heart problems are far from solved. The LVAD relieved his lung issue so he is now a candidate for a heart transplant. He is stable and feels "more of a sense of normalcy" but is anxiously awaiting a transplant.

Addison residents who remember Marty and would like to support him are welcome to visit [helpholive.org](http://helpholive.org) and click on "Donate to a Patient Campaign," and enter Marty's name.



courtesy photo by Al Stasch

### It's been a dog's life

Villa Park Village President Deborah Bullwinkel applauds police K-9 Inoe on Monday, Sept. 14 at Village Hall. Inoe was officially retired after eight years of duty, all with handler/officer Bryan Hruby (right).

## Willowbrook, District 88 joins community groups to host addiction seminar

**VILLA PARK** — Throughout DuPage County and Illinois, substance abuse and addiction, particularly with regard to heroin, is an ongoing issue. To address that concern, Willowbrook will host a seminar on Tuesday, September 29 at 7 p.m. that will focus on the topic of addiction.

The event, entitled "I Wish I Had Known: An exploration of addiction and its impact on our community," will feature speakers such as a certi-

fied addictions counselor, a recovering addict, addiction recovery services and the DuPage County Health Department Substance Abuse Coordinator.

The seminar is an event to share information and tools on dealing with addiction, and sponsors include District 88, the Villa Park Police Department, State Rep. Deb Conroy, St. Paul Lutheran Church in Villa Park, Christian Church of Villa Park and Christ Church of Oak Brook. See a

video related to the seminar called "If I Knew" at [youtube.com/FOYZE2Tef5w](http://youtube.com/FOYZE2Tef5w).

For more information, call St. Paul Lutheran Church at 630-832-5580, or watch a video about the seminar, visit [dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=139](http://dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=139).

Addison Trail and Willowbrook hosted heroin awareness presentations in March 2014 to educate students, parents and community members about the issue, which has been on the rise in

DuPage County and in Illinois. District 88 also hosted a Student Leadership Symposium in February 2014 to bring student leaders from throughout the county together to create awareness and understanding of the rise of drug use in the area.

The addiction seminar in September will allow District 88 and community groups to continue learning more about this issue and how to help stakeholders.

## Pennebaker's eight aces help Willowbrook girls volleyball to victory

### Willowbrook boys golf team defeats Morton

By Mike Miasma  
Correspondent

The Willowbrook girls volleyball team improved to 9-8 overall with a recent 25-6, 25-17 non-conference win over Southland Prep.

Bri Hoffmann had two aces and one dig. Danielle McNamara had two kills. Celia Dewyer added one kill and one ace. Grace Chantos had one dig.

Olivia Pennebaker added four kills, eight aces and one dig. Maya Bullock had three kills. Maddie Weinhold had

three aces and 10 assists. Emily Ligocki finished with six assists. Jamie Chiappetta had four kills and one ace. Milena Sogure added four kills.

Willowbrook had 15 service aces as a team.

### Willowbrook boys golf

The Willowbrook boys golf team played in the Batavia invitational at Fox Valley Golf Club where senior Nick Tiberi led the way with a 93. Junior Jake Neiswanger shot 95. Junior Sam Malito had a 100, while sophomore Tim Keefe shot 106.

The Warriors also sent a contingent to the Leyden quad at White Pines West Course in

Bensenville. Freshman Joey Guthrie led the way with a 95. Sophomore Buddy Martens shot 98. Sophomore John Morser had a 113, while freshman Josh Lata shot 114.

In other recent action, Willowbrook played in the West Chicago invitational at the Lakewood course at St. Andrews. The Warriors finished fifth out of nine teams with a 366. Tiberi shot 86. Senior Matt Langer shot 87, while senior Max Sarovich had a 96. Keefe shot 97.

The Warriors also recorded a 178-206 West Suburban Conference Gold Division win over Morton at Fresh Meadows. The win moved Willowbrook

to 4-7. Sarovich was the meet medalist with a 40. Langer shot 45, while Tiberi had a 46 and senior Brandon Trexler shot 47.

### Willowbrook girls cross country

The Warriors' girls cross-country team scored recent West Suburban Conference Gold Division wins over Proviso East and Addison Trail. Willowbrook finished second in the triangular with Addison Trail and Morton.

"We continue to gain momentum and are improving our times," said Willowbrook coach Christine Hasler.

Freshman Victoria Palma and senior Diana Marin have

been leading the Willowbrook pack. Palma took first, and Marin second in the win over Proviso East, while Palma was second and Marin was third in the triangular split with Addison Trail and Morton.

Willowbrook also recently competed in an invitational in Peoria. "We had several personal-best times," said Hasler.

In addition to Palma and Marin, the Warriors are getting contributions from junior Grace Guthrie, sophomore Angela Klingelhoffer, sophomore Evelyn Yao, senior Kimberly Leon-Cervantes, sophomore Briana Jones and sophomore Catherine Pegler.

## Medical payments mixed bag for state employees

By Mark Fitton  
Illinois News Network

SPRINGFIELD — About 150,000 state employees, retirees or dependents are or soon will be stuck paying cash up-front for medical services, according to updated numbers from the Illinois Department of Central Management Services.

Those employees are covered via the state's self-insured program administered by groups such as Cigna and HealthLink, CMS spokeswoman Meredith Krantz said Wednesday.

About another 213,000 people are covered in fully insured programs through agencies including Health Alliance, Coventry HMO and BlueAdvantage, Krantz said in an email to Illinois Network.

Those participants will be required to pay only copayments at time of service.

The fully-insured or managed-care plan providers made

the decision to pay now and wait for state funds to come through, Strantz said, adding that was not by state request.

Krantz said CMS has exhausted its fiscal year 2015 revenues and, without an appropriation in place for fiscal year 2016, which began July 1, cannot make provider payments.

"Without a budget in place, there is no mechanism to pay healthcare providers," Krantz said.

State employees first learned of the medical payment problem after CMS on Sept. 9 posted a memo on one of its Web pages.

First-term Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner and legislative Democrats remain locked in a budget impasse with the state now more than 75 days into fiscal year 2016.

Rauner complains the Democrats have sent him a spending

plan that's \$4 billion heavier in spending than estimated revenue.

Democrats complain Rauner and the GOP have been unwilling to work with them on a plan until the governor gets movement on his own agenda items, which Democrats do not consider directly related to the annual budget.

In the meantime, without a budget Illinois is spending at a clip that could see fiscal year 2016 expenditures outstrip revenue by \$5 billion or more.

The only large piece of the fiscal year 2016 budget made law this spring was the budget for primary and secondary education. The rest of the spending is attributable to items covered by continuing appropriations, such as debt service and pension payments, and to spending demanded by consent decrees and court orders.

State Rep. Raymond Poe, R-Springfield, said his insurance is through one of the self-insured plans, and he may soon feel the financial bite, as he's

headed to Houston, Texas, for a checkup with oncologists. Poe has been battling myelodysplastic syndrome, or MDS, a slow-growing cancer.

"I know first-hand what an interruption in service will be," Poe said. The state's financial crisis also disturbs him because of the high number of state employees and retirees in his district, he said.

Poe said there's plenty of blame to go around, and both parties need to get to the table and work out a budget deal.

## Chicago A Cappella welcomes Elmhurst resident to Board

Thompson joins leadership team for acclaimed classical vocal ensemble

CHICAGO — The acclaimed vocal ensemble Chicago a cappella elected Elmhurst resident David G. Thompson to its Board of Directors on August 22, 2015. Thompson joins 13 other dedicated and well-qualified Chicago a cappella Board Members as the ensemble's 23rd season approaches.

Thompson is a Principal, Client Insights, at Information Resources, Inc. (IRI) in Chicago, where he builds partnerships with key clients and manages a team of consultants/analysts.

Representing Tyson Foods, he supports eight brand portfolios spanning 11 categories with collective retail sales of well over \$3 billion. His prior volunteer work includes involvement with the Chicago Cares work-a-thon, IRI's charity auction, and the ConAgra annual United Way campaign, as well as serving as an elementary/middle school math tutor. Thompson received his MBA from the University Of Chicago Graduate School Of Business, after receiving a bachelor's degree in economics from California State University. A bass guitar player, he also performs in two rock 'n' roll bands.

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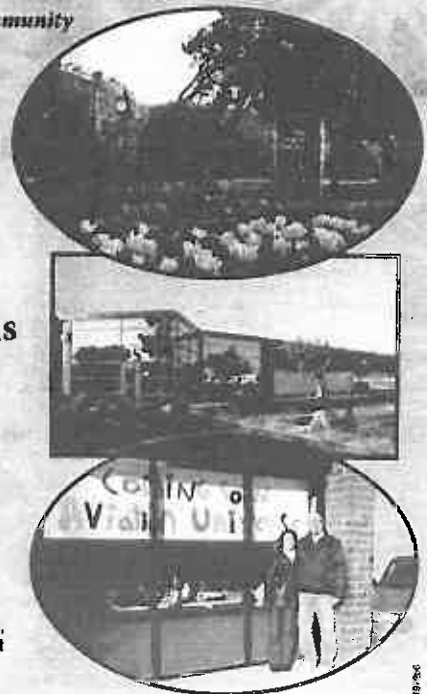
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# Sports

## LOMBARDIAN VILLA PARK REVIEW

### Warriors knock off the Hornets; Rams fall to 3-1

Was the Willowbrook football team's 27-13 win at Hinsdale South an upset? Not at all, say the Warriors, who traveled to Darien on Saturday and upended the Hornets in the West Suburban Gold Conference battle.

"This is not an upset to us," said Willowbrook coach Nick Hildreth after the game, which was rescheduled to Saturday afternoon because of Friday night's inclement weather. "This was our expectation."

The Warriors and Hornets were tied at 6-6 at halftime, but a pair of third-quarter touchdown receptions by junior Jonathan Kelso helped Willowbrook to a 20-6 lead with one quarter to play. The Hornets scored with about nine minutes remaining to cut the Warriors' lead to 20-13. Moments later, Hinsdale South intercepted a Willowbrook pass to take possession of the ball at the Warriors' 36-yard line. The Hornets subsequently turned the ball over on downs. Willowbrook then delivered a touchdown drive that featured a pair of fourth-down pass completions by senior quarterback Billy Degnan, including a 32-yard scoring pass to senior Mark Molitor on a fourth-and-five play with 2:03 to play.

"We had that energy going into the game; we kept it going the entire fourth quarter," said Molitor after the game. "We trust each other to make plays. We have total faith in everybody on our offense and defense."

The Warriors' win over Hinsdale South came eight days after a 28-26, last-second loss to Addison Trail.

Willowbrook attempted a field goal at the end of that game. The kick bounced off the goal post.

"Last week didn't go the way we wanted," said Hildreth in referring to the conference opener against Addison Trail. "The score didn't work out the way we wanted to but we felt like we played pretty well overall. I think they took that to heart and just continued to work."

Hinsdale South entered the game ranked among the top 20 Chicagoland teams in at least one area poll. The Hornets' lone loss entering Saturday's game was a 50-31 defeat to Glenbard West—one of the area's top-ranked teams—on Sept. 5.

Willowbrook's aggressive style on offense paid dividends against the Hornets. Many teams with a seven-point lead in the fourth quarter would have punted the ball away on fourth down. The Warriors, who had turned the ball over on an interception early in the fourth quarter, kept on throwing.

"There are a lot of things you could say about us; what we run, philosophically and things along those lines," said Hildreth. "But we're not scared."

Sophomore running back Jack Jessen scored Willowbrook's first touchdown on a short run late in the second quarter.

"We knew we were ready for this game," said Jessen. "We prepared all week for this. We knew we would get what we deserve. We can bounce back from anything."

Willowbrook improved to 2-2

overall and 1-1 in the conference, while Hinsdale South dropped to the same overall and conference marks. The Warriors' season continues with this Friday's homecoming game against York (1-3).

#### Glenbard East

The Glenbard East football team was in position to improve its record to 4-0 through three quarters of its game at Glenbard North. The Rams held a 17-14 lead with 12 minutes to play in the contest, which began on Friday afternoon and ended on Saturday evening after a weather delay. The fourth quarter was a disaster for the Rams, who were outscored 27-0 in the period on their way to a 41-17 non-conference loss in Carol Stream.

"We lost the fourth quarter; that's the bottom line," said Glenbard East coach John Walters after the game. "They [the Panthers] out-physicalized us, outworked us, outthrustled us. You've got to keep your foot on the gas pedal. We weren't able to do that. It was a better game than the score indicated. We've got to learn to play in the fourth quarter against very good football teams."

The Rams' season continues with this Friday's Upstate Eight Valley Conference matchup at West Chicago (1-3, 1-0). The Wildcats suffered three decisive losses to open the season before posting a 16-13 conference win over East Aurora. Glenbard East opened its conference season with a resounding 56-12 win over East Aurora on Sept. 11.

The Rams' battle at Glenbard North was supposed to begin at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, but the ominous weather forecast led the two schools to move the kickoff time up to 5:30 p.m. The teams played nearly the entire first half under dry conditions, but the nasty weather started to arrive in the area around 6:20 p.m., when lightning in the area halted the game with under two minutes to play in the first half. The Rams held a 14-7 lead at that point of the game, which resumed at 6 p.m. on Saturday. Glenbard East maintained its 14-7 lead at halftime. Junior Justin Murphy's 35-yard field goal in the third quarter accounted for the Rams' only points of the second half.

Glenbard East scored both of its touchdowns against Glenbard North on long pass plays during Friday's



#### Holding on...

Photos by Chris Fox

GLENBARD EAST SENIOR Mitch Luttrell (above) makes a reception during the second quarter of Friday's football game at Glenbard North. Luttrell's 78-yard touchdown reception later in the period helped the Rams to a 14-7 lead. Shortly after the touchdown, play was suspended because of lightning in the area. The game resumed on Saturday evening. The Panthers outscored the Rams 27-0 in the fourth quarter on their way to a 41-17 victory in Carol Stream. Glenbard East's overall record dropped to 3-1.

first half. Senior quarterback Phil Abruzzino connected with senior Karon Keys on a 57-yard touchdown pass with about three minutes left in the first quarter. Murphy kicked the extra point to tie the score at 7-7. Abruzzino threw a 78-yard touchdown pass to senior Mitch Luttrell with about four minutes remaining in the second quarter. Luttrell caught the pass around midfield and won a foot race to the end zone. Murphy's kick gave the Rams their 14-7 lead.

The Rams committed three turnovers in the fateful fourth period. The turnovers included a fumble, an interception that was returned for a touchdown and a fumble on the ensuing kickoff return.

"These guys have done a great job up until this point," said Walters of the Rams. "But they got a hard lesson in finishing tonight. It's time to move on. It's a nine-game season. Every one of them counts."

#### Montini

Like many other games in the area, the Montini football team's

homecoming game against De La Salle was rescheduled to Saturday because of Friday's storms. Bronco fans, including a large alumni contingent that flew in to celebrate the school's 50-year celebration (the school opened for the 1966-67 school year), didn't see any football on Friday night. Those who returned on Saturday afternoon saw Montini improve to 4-0 by posting a decisive 38-0 win. The Broncos held a 35-0 lead over De La Salle (which dropped to 1-3) by halftime.

Senior quarterback Justin Blake completed 13 of 20 passes for 165 yards and two touchdowns. He also ran for one touchdown. Seniors Tyler Millikan (six receptions for 82 yards) and Brandon Beyer each caught one TD pass from Blake. Junior Prince Walker rushed for 127 yards and two touchdowns on 10 carries.

The Broncos will try to move their record to 5-0 this Friday, when they will take on Leo (1-3) at the Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center in Chicago.

### Glenbard East golfers take third at their own invitational

The Glenbard East girls golf team earned a third-place finish at its own Ram Invitational, a 14-team event that took place Saturday at Glendale Lakes Golf Club. Wheaton Academy won the team championship with its score of 345. Geneva (364) placed second, while the Rams landed in third with their team score of 371.

Senior Grace Ludwig turned in Glenbard East's best round of the invitational by shooting an 18-hole score of 86 on the par-71 course. Ludwig posted the third-best individual score of the event. Senior Gillian Ostrowski of the

Rams, who shot the 10th-lowest individual score, carded a 92. Senior Olivia Sterling, who shot a 52 on her first nine holes, rallied with a 44 on her second nine for a 96. Senior Sammy Caruso added a 97 to complete the Rams' team total of 371. Junior Sam Katsikas and senior Maggie Verpaele rounded out the Rams' varsity lineup at the invitational.

The Rams improved their record in dual meets to 7-3 with Monday's 175-246 home victory over Willowbrook. Ludwig shot the low individual round in the 9-hole meet with a 39.

### Warriors extend winning streak to eight with a come-from-behind victory over York

The Willowbrook boys soccer team picked up its eighth straight win by rallying to beat York 2-1 on Saturday afternoon in Villa Park. The visiting Dukes scored a first-half goal to take a 1-0 lead. The Warriors tied the match on a goal by senior Arkadiusz Szlachta with about 26 minutes left in the match. Willowbrook, which missed a penalty kick a few minutes later, delivered the winning goal with about six minutes to play, when sophomore Miguel Correa drilled a free kick off the top post. The ball bounced down to the ground, and junior Saul Hernandez moved in to push the ball into the net for what turned out to be the winning goal. Hernandez attempted the penalty kick minutes earlier. His kick caromed off the side post.

"We were a little flat in the first half," said Willowbrook coach Peter

Ginter. "We had much more of an organized attack in the second half, when we had an additional attacker up front to get more offense. Even when we went ahead, we kept the additional attacker because we thought we had the momentum."

The Warriors opened their season with a win over Prosser at Addison Trail's tournament. Willowbrook then suffered a 5-3 loss to the eventual tournament champion—Glenbard North. The Warriors, who wound up taking third place in the event, have since reeled off eight victories. The eight wins include West Suburban Gold Conference triumphs over Hinsdale South and Proviso East.

Saturday's win over York gave the Warriors more wins than the program earned all of last season. The 2014 team closed the year with a record of 8-9-2.

"Our scoring is up and our defense is playing very well," said Ginter in explaining Willowbrook's success this season. "The boys are fortifying the midfield. We have a lot of seniors who have been playing together for three years. That helps. They know each other really well."

The Warriors secured their seventh straight victory on Thursday, when they beat Glenbard West 2-0 in Glen Ellyn. Senior Aaron Johnson scored both of Willowbrook's goals. "We knew we had a good team this year," said Ginter on Saturday as he talked about the Warriors' current hot streak. "I think what's helping us a lot is we focus on one thing at a time. We're keeping things in perspective, and we're just working for that next game."

Willowbrook's season continues with this Saturday's match at Glenbard South in Glen Ellyn.



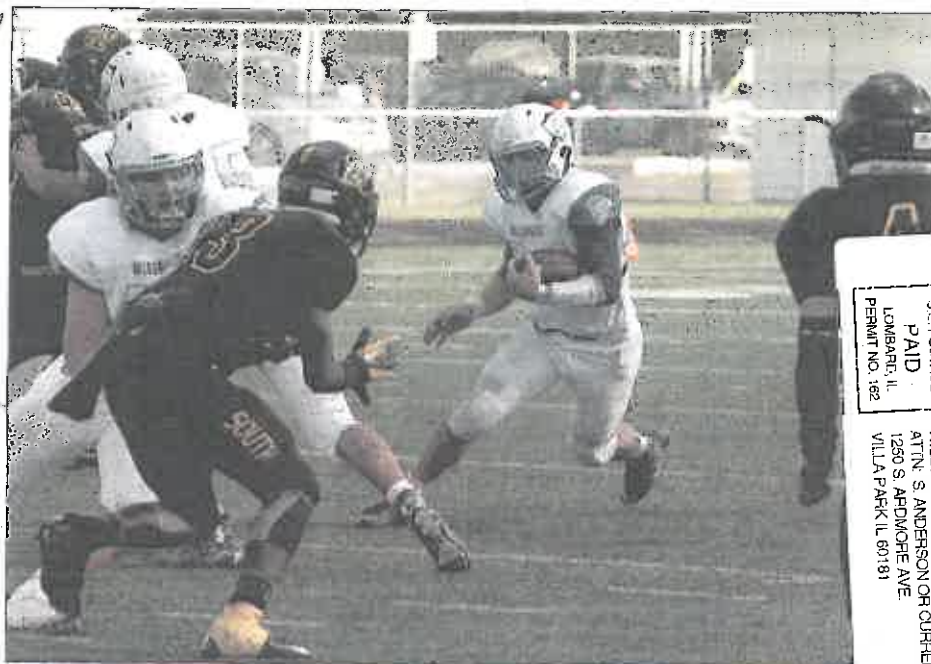
#### The Warriors keep winning...

SENIOR ARKADIUSZ SZLACHTA (above) of the Willowbrook boys soccer team prepares to kick the ball during Saturday's match against York. Szlachta scored a goal to tie the match at 1-1 in the second half. The Warriors scored another goal with about six minutes to play in their 2-1 victory in Villa Park. The win gave the Warriors eight straight victories and an overall season record of 9-1.

## Warriors win...

SOPHOMORE JACK JESSEN (right) of the Willowbrook football team runs for a first down during the fourth quarter of Saturday's West Suburban Gold Conference game at Hinsdale South. The Warriors defeated the Hornets 27-13 in Darien. Willowbrook scored the game's final touchdown shortly after Jessen's first-down run. Senior quarterback Billy Degnan threw a 32-yard touchdown pass to senior Mark Molitor on a fourth-and-five play with about two minutes remaining to account for the game's last touchdown. Jessen scored the Warriors' first touchdown of the game. Junior Jonathan Kelso scored the team's next two touchdowns on receptions from Degnan. The victory gave Willowbrook an overall record of 2-2 and a conference record of 1-1. The game between the Warriors and Hornets was originally scheduled to begin Friday at 7:30 p.m. The kickoff was then moved up to 6 p.m. on Friday because of impending storms, but the poor weather forced the contest to be played on Saturday afternoon. The Warriors will play their homecoming game against York this Friday. The sophomore game will start at 5 p.m.; the varsity game will start at about 7:30 p.m. See Page 13 for more about Willowbrook's victory over Hinsdale South.

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## Jefferson Middle School students present 'Peter Pan'



### Cast and crew...

JEFFERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL will present "Peter Pan" on Friday, Oct. 2, and Saturday, Oct. 3. Each performance will begin at 7 p.m. in the auditorium of the school, which is located at 255 W. Vermont St., Villa Park. Ticket prices are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children and senior citizens. Tickets will be available at the door before each presentation. Auditions for the production took place on Aug. 28. The first rehearsal took place three days later. The cast and crew is made up of 39 Jefferson Middle School students. The school includes children in grades 6-8. For more information about the upcoming presentation, contact Rachel Kayser at 630-516-7710, or at rkayser@d45.org.

## Willowbrook alumni invited to visit alumni tent at Friday's game

The homecoming week celebration at Willowbrook High School includes football action against York on Friday, Sept. 25. The sophomore game will kick off at 5 p.m., followed by the varsity game at approximately 7:30 p.m.

The Willowbrook Athletic Boosters invite alumni to visit the alumni tent on Friday evening for some treats, raffle prizes and conversation with fellow alumni. The first 100 alumni to visit the tent will receive a Willowbrook rally towel.

## Villa Park Fire department invites residents to Oct. 10 open house

The Villa Park Fire Department will hold its annual open house from noon to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 10. The event will take place at Station No. 81, located at 1440 S. Ardmore Ave.

The open house gives children and adults

an opportunity to visit the station and take an up-close look at fire vehicles and equipment. Children will be able to use a real fire house, wear kid-sized firefighting gear and meet Sparky the Fire Dog. There will be a live fire demonstration at 2:30 p.m.

## Drop off unused prescription drugs at the VPPD on Saturday

The Villa Park Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will give the public an opportunity to rid their homes of expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs with an upcoming collection event. The collection will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 26, at the police department, which is located at 40 S. Ardmore Ave.

The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked. The event will collect only pills and patches. The DEA cannot accept liquids, needles or sharps.

According to a news release issued by the Village of Villa Park, Americans turned

in over 309 tons (more than 617,000 pounds) of prescription drugs last September at nearly 3,500 sites around the country.

According to the release, medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse and abuse. The release stated that studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet.

Residents are advised to refrain from flushing unused medicines down the toilet or from throwing them in the trash. Both pose potential safety and health hazards, stated the release.

## Seminar at Willowbrook on Sept. 29 to focus on addiction

Willowbrook High School will host a seminar focusing on the topic of addiction on Tuesday, Sept. 29. The event, which is entitled "I Wish I Had Known: An exploration of addiction and its impact on our community," will begin at 7 p.m.

Speakers will include a certified addictions counselor, a recovering addict and the DuPage County Health Department's substance abuse

coordinator.

According to information provided in a District 88 news release, the seminar is an event designed to share information and tools on dealing with addiction. Sponsors of the seminar include District 88, the Villa Park Police Department, state Rep. Deb Conroy, St. Paul Lutheran Church of Villa Park and Christ Church of Oak Brook.

## Villa Park Public Library offers several events for children

The Villa Park Public Library, located at 395 S. Ardmore Ave., will host several upcoming events for children in the next month.

The special programs include an event for children in kindergarten through second grade from 10-10:45 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 9. The program will provide information about recycling and the papermaking process.

Representatives from School and Community Assistance for Composting and Recycling Education (SCARCE) of Glen Ellyn will speak about the three Rs: Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. Children will have an opportunity to make their own recycled paper crafts.

A separate event for children in grades three through six will also take place at the

library from 10-10:45 a.m. on Oct. 9. Children will be able to use their own pedal power to see how efficient different light bulbs are with the SCARCE energy bike. Students will have the chance to create circuits with electric play dough.

The library will hold a "Star Wars Reads Day" for children from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 10. Kids will be able to make Jedi or Sith robes, paint a Huttess rock, eat some snacks and fall into the Great Pit of Carkoon. Children who have their own Star Wars costumes are encouraged to wear them to the library.

Registration is required for the three events, which are sponsored by the library's youth services department. For more information, call 630-834-1176.

## Mama Squash Market holds food swap in Villa Park on Saturday

Mama Squash Market, a food co-op with a mission to create a community-owned, full-service store providing nutritional and locally produced food, will hold a food swap on Saturday, Sept. 26, from 1-3 p.m., at St. Alexander Church, 300 S. Cornell Ave., Villa Park. According to information provided by Mama Squash Market, a food swap "brings together passionate home cooks, bakers, canners, gardeners and foragers to trade their homemade and homegrown edible goods."

All participants in the food swap must trade goods they made themselves. Some popular food swap items include jams, pickles, baked goods and vegetables.

According to Mama Squash Market, items at the food swap will be swapped one for one. No money will change hands. All swaps are by barter only.

From 1-1:15 p.m., swappers will set up and make a swap card for each different item they intend to swap. Swap cards will be available at the event. From 1:15-2 p.m.,

participants will examine the food. According to Mama Squash Market, participants are not obligated to swap with anyone, even if one participant bids on another's item. At 2 p.m., the swapping begins.

Mama Squash Market's announcement of the food swap included a disclaimer advising that all goods are made in home kitchens by private individuals, not professionals. "We expect all swappers to maintain the highest standards of cleanliness and food safety in the preparation of their items," stated the disclaimer. "Nevertheless, by participating in the swap you acknowledge that the items available are not made in licensed kitchens or inspected by any government agency. Mama Squash Market does not provide any guarantees or assurances about the safety of the swap items."

For more information about the food swap, visit Mama Squash Market's Web site at [www.mamasquash.com](http://www.mamasquash.com).

## Second annual EISUS Fun Fest to be held Sunday at Lions Park

The second annual EISUS Fun Fest will take place from 2:30-5:30 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 27, at Lions Park. The park is located at 320 W. Wildwood Ave., Villa Park. The Susan Jurkoms Memorial Scholarship Foundation will present the fun fest. Last year's inaugural event raised over \$5,000, which was donated to the American Brain Tumor Association (ABTA).

Proceeds from this event will also benefit the ABTA.

This year's fun fest will include games for children and adults, face painting, pizza

from Michael Anthony's and live music performed by The Clones.

Susan Jurkoms, a 1994 graduate of Willowbrook High School, was 19 years old and attending Purdue University on a volleyball scholarship when she was diagnosed with a brain tumor. She passed away in 1998 at the age of 22. The scholarship foundation in her name benefits student-athletes at Willowbrook.

For more information about the Sept. 27 fun fest, visit [www.eisusvolleyball.com](http://www.eisusvolleyball.com), or send an e-mail to [eisus15@gmail.com](mailto:eisus15@gmail.com).

## Questions? Comments?

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## Warriors win eight straight...

Photos by Chris Fox

THE WILLOWBROOK BOYS SOCCER TEAM extended its winning streak to eight matches with Saturday's 2-1 victory over York in Villa Park. The Warriors trailed the visiting Dukes 1-0 at halftime. Senior Arkadiusz Szlachta scored the tying goal with about 26 minutes left in the match. Junior Saul Hernandez provided the winning goal with about six minutes to play when he scored off of a free kick by sophomore Miguel Correa. The above left photo shows Hernandez (No. 9) celebrating with Correa (23) after the go-ahead goal. The above right photo shows senior Aaron Johnson trying to control the ball. Johnson scored both of Willowbrook's goals in the team's previous match—Thursday's 2-0 victory at Glenbard West. Saturday's victory over York gave the Warriors an overall season record of 9-1. Last year's team won eight matches all season. Willowbrook will try to move its winning streak to nine when it takes on Glenbard South this Saturday in Glen Ellyn.



## District 88 honors recent graduates...

THE DISTRICT 88 BOARD OF EDUCATION recently recognized 11 Willowbrook High School students and seven Addison Trail students who graduated from their respective schools at the district's summer commencement celebration. The event took place before the board of education meeting on Sept. 14. District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton welcomed the guests to the event and congratulated the graduates. Willowbrook assistant principal Tom Cantlin handed out diplomas to the school's graduates. District 88 Board of Education President Donna Craft Cain provided some closing words of encouragement to the graduates at the end of the ceremony. Pictured left to right are Willowbrook graduate Kasey Artrip, Addison Trail graduate Lauren Szydlowski and Willowbrook graduates Amber Joseph and Justin Johnson. The eight other Willowbrook graduates who were honored at the ceremony were: Jazmin Banuelos, Silvana Bertoli, Elizabeth Botello, Sarah DeMuro, Bret Goltz, Haiston Lee, Emily Robinson and Michael Roby II.



# Big win keeps Knights on track for playoff spot

SUBURBAN LIFE MEDIA

**ELMHURST** - Thunderstorms wreaked havoc on football games on Sept. 18, but IC Catholic endured the weather and then wreaked havoc on St. Edward.

The Knights beat the Green Wave 41-6 after field problems at St. Edward switched locations for the game and a weather delay pushed back the start of the game once the teams arrived at Plunkett Park in Elmhurst.

IC (3-1) led 27-0 at halftime and was ahead 41-0 before the Green Wave (2-2) got on the board. Jordan Rowell had a

## Week 5 matchup

- **WHO:** IC Catholic vs. Aurora Central Catholic
- **WHEN:** 7 p.m. Sept. 25
- **WHERE:** Plunkett Park, 186 S. West Ave., Elmhurst
- **RECORDS:** IC 3-1, ACC 2-2
- **OUTLOOK:** The Metro Suburban West

conference opener for both teams has big playoff implications for both teams. The two teams are riding winning streaks, with IC having won three in a row and the Chargers getting by Chicago Christian 41-14 and Guerin 37-28 the past two games. IC won 30-23 last year.

typical Jordan Rowell game, which is to say he dominated. The junior running back needed just 11 carries to rack up 287 yards rushing and three touchdowns.

Sophomore quarterback Luke Ricobene was far from his most efficient in the wet weather, but still threw two touchdowns to Luke Calles. Jim Kin-

neally had IC's other touchdown with a fumble recovery in the end zone.

The Green Wave, which beat the Knights 35-28 last season, played without senior star running back Dwayne Allen Jr., who was out with an injury.

At 3-1, the Knights are in good position to make the playoffs. They are two games ahead of where they were last season and matching last fall's 3-2 Metro Suburban West record would clinch a playoff spot.

IC opens conference play against Aurora Central Catholic in another home game under the lights at Plunkett.

## PREP ROUNDUP

# York boys soccer squad suffers pair of close losses

SUBURBAN LIFE MEDIA

York's boys soccer team suffered a pair of close setbacks recently.

Willowbrook beat the Dukes 2-1 on Sept. 19 before Lyons Township beat the Dukes by the same score Sept. 22.

## BOYS SOCCER

**IC Catholic**  
The Knights, who had last played in a 4-0 win against Walther Christian on Sept. 12, lost 7-0 against St. Francis on Sept. 23. The win against Walther was the first in the nascent program's history.

## Timothy Christian

The Trojans knocked off Nazareth 4-0 on Sept. 16.

## Addison Trail

Jonathan Hernandez scored twice and Damian Zielinski and Tom Kania each added a goal in the Blazers' 4-1 win Sept. 22 against Hinsdale South. AT also defeated Glenbard West 2-0 on Sept. 19.

## GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

**IC Catholic**  
Riverside Brookfield beat the Knights 25-14, 25-11 in a Metro Suburban West match on Sept. 22.

## Timothy Christian

Dani Van Laten had 88 assists during the tournament and the Trojans defended their St. Viator Tournament title. In the final, the Trojans knocked off Carmel 25-22, 25-9.

Kendra Teune had 41 kills and 13 digs and Ava Venema had 39 kills and 10 blocks in the five matches.

## BOYS GOLF

**IC Catholic**  
The Knights shot a 154 in a win against Fenton on Sept. 22, which was the best score for an IC golf team in 15 years. Trey Morris shot a 1-under-par 34 to lead IC.

Morris shot a 37 and the Knights defeated St. Edward 160-165 on Sept. 21.

## Timothy Christian

Jimmy Brush shot a team-best 79 at the Aurora Central Catholic Invite on Sept. 19 and the Trojans shot a 344.

## Addison Trail

Downers Grove South beat the Blazers 154-177 on Sept. 22 in a West Suburban Gold match.

## GIRLS GOLF

**York**  
Ellen Foley shot a 92 to lead the Dukes and York was fourth out of 14 teams overall at Glenbard East's Ram Invite on Sept. 19.

## BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

**York**  
Charlie Kern finished in 10th place at the Richard Spring Invitational in Peoria on Sept. 19.

Seniors Max Denning (32nd) and Jon May (34th) were also toward the front of York's runners to help the

Dukes take third out of 63 teams.

## Timothy Christian

Michael Larkin had a 78th-place finish and the Trojans placed 17th out of 20 teams at the Kaneland Eddington Invitational on Sept. 19.

## GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

**York**  
Elizabeth Hagstrom was 29th and freshman Sarah May placed 35th in the Richard Spring Invitational in Peoria on Sept. 19. York placed 10th out of 62 teams.

## Timothy Christian

Hannah Bosman placed 33rd in a field of 136 runners at the Kaneland Eddington Invitational on Sept. 19.

## GIRLS SWIMMING

**Addison Trail/Willowbrook co-op**  
Downers Grove South beat the District 88 co-op team 122-54 on Sept. 17.

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PRIVATE LESSONS ARE ALWAYS AVAILABLE

# Dukes look to keep postseason dream alive

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**ELMHURST** – The early-season schedule hasn't been kind to York's football team, whose first four opponents have a combined record of 14-2.

But despite falling to 1-3 on the 2015 season after a 52-21 loss against Hinsdale Central on Sept. 19, the Dukes' main preseason goal of making the playoffs remains intact.

With the postseason still within reach, each remaining game holds a little extra importance, starting with this week's West Suburban Conference crossover against Willowbrook.

"This is another game where we need to get a win," coach Matt Monken said. "Obviously we would have liked to go 2-2 [so far]. But now we are trying to get that second win and keep our goal in sight of making the playoffs."

"I still think there is the opportunity for us to play well. Our kids just got to keep fighting and keep learning how to make plays and have success on the field."

The game against the Red Devils was originally scheduled for Sept. 18 but was pushed back because of weather. Once it started, the visitors stormed out of the gate, building a 24-0 lead in the first quar-



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York's Johnny DiCanio hands off to Connor Placey on Sept. 12 during a game against Glenbard West. The Dukes suffered a loss against Hinsdale Central on Sept. 19 but still have their sights set on the playoffs.

ter, helped in part by three York turnovers.

The Dukes got on the board with 7:56 remaining before

halftime on a 31-yard touchdown run by Lucas Alexander. The senior finished with 83 yards on 12 carries.

"Obviously Lucas is the guy we want to get the ball to," Monken said. "Offensively, we finally settled in, but we started

## Week 5 matchup

- **WHO:** York at Willowbrook
- **WHEN:** 7:30 p.m. Sept. 25
- **WHERE:** 1250 S. Ardmore Ave., Villa Park
- **RECORDS:** York 1-3, Willowbrook 2-2
- **OUTLOOK:** The neighboring schools enter this midseason encounter going in opposite directions. Willowbrook beat Hinsdale South 27-13 in a season-altering road win. The Dukes are coming off their most lopsided loss of the season and have been on the receiving end of blowouts the past two games. York won last year's meeting 42-7.

our first four drives with three turnovers. It is what it is."

York began the third quarter with a nine-play, 80-yard drive that ended with a 10-yard touchdown pass from Johnny DiCanio to Grant Mehlion.

Layne Davis connected with Kevin Falkenberg late in the fourth for an 18-yard score.

Christopher McCoy and Jeffrey O'Brien both recovered fumbles on defense.

"They [Hinsdale Central] are a good football team and they deserve to be 4-0," Monken said.

# Addison Trail football trying to find consistency on field

By DAN SANTAROMITA  
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**ADDISON** – Addison Trail football may be about as inconsistent as the West Suburban Gold itself.

The Blazers have alternated wins and losses in the opening four weeks and find themselves in search of more steady play.

The latest setback was a 37-21 home loss against Downers Grove South, which entered the game 0-3 after a tough opening schedule. The Blazers had won seven straight West Suburban Gold games.

"We're starting four sophomores and we're definitely going to be better at the end

## Week 5 matchup

- **WHO:** Addison Trail vs. Leyden
- **WHEN:** 7:30 p.m. Sept. 25
- **WHERE:** 213 N. Lombard Road, Addison
- **RECORDS:** AT 2-2 (1-1 West Suburban Gold), Leyden 2-2 (1-0)
- **OUTLOOK:** The Blazers will try to avoid back-to-back

losses at home against a Leyden team that has displayed a stingy defense so far. The Eagles have allowed 12.5 points per game so far, and the team's only losses came by one score (21-14 against York and 10-7 against Lyons Township).

of the season," AT coach Paul Parpet Jr. said. "The other issue we're having right now is with health. We're losing linemen left and right and we got two sophomores starting on the offensive line and they're

out there playing hard, but they're sophomores."

DGS led 10-0 in the first quarter before lightning and heavy rain forced the game to be postponed from Sept. 18 to the following night. When play

resumed the Mustangs were still in control and headed into halftime with a 20-0 lead.

A Darrion Conrad kickoff return for a touchdown to start the second half gave Addison Trail momentum and some hope. AT's defense forced a three-and-out on the next drive and the Blazers marched into the red zone after three straight completions, but the drive stalled and the Blazers never got closer on the scoreboard.

"We're too inconsistent," Parpet said. "We make plays and then we don't make plays. We leave a drive out there on the field. But our kids didn't quit. They played until the final buzzer, and we got to get back to work."

Michael Hundley broke off a 70-yard touchdown run late in the third quarter and Stevan Jones caught a 6-yard scoring pass from quarterback Ryan Zygowicz for AT.

At 2-2, the Blazers already have equaled last season's loss total, but are not out of the playoff race, and if the first two weeks of conference play are any indication the Gold should be a tightly contested race. Hinsdale South appeared to be the league favorite, especially after knocking off DGS 42-20 in Week 3, but the Hornets then lost 27-13 to Willowbrook, a team the Blazers beat on the road in Week 3. That head-spinning series of results has created a wide open conference race.