

Pumpkin time...

THE ANNUAL PUMPKIN PATCH sale at Community Congregational Church of Villa Park began this week. The church is located at 410 South Cornell Ave., at the southwest corner of Cornell and Highland avenues. A truckload of pumpkins and gourds from an Indian reservation in New Mexico arrived at the church on Sunday. The sale is under way and will continue through Oct. 31. The sale's hours are 3-7:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The church will hold an event for families and pets at the patch on Saturday, Oct. 10, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. In addition to including a blessing of the animals, the event will feature a bounce house and arts and crafts for children. The church will hold arts and crafts vendor show for adults at the pumpkin patch from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 17.

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Chief receives Willowbrook's Distinguished Alumni honor

Villa Park Fire Station No. 81, located at 1440 S. Ardmore Ave., opened in 1975.

"I was sitting there watching them build this place," said Villa Park Fire Chief Ron Rakosnik while looking from the station toward nearby Willowbrook High School. Rakosnik, who grew up in York Center, graduated from Willowbrook in 1975. Forty years later, Rakosnik was honored as a member of the 2015 Distinguished Alumni class.

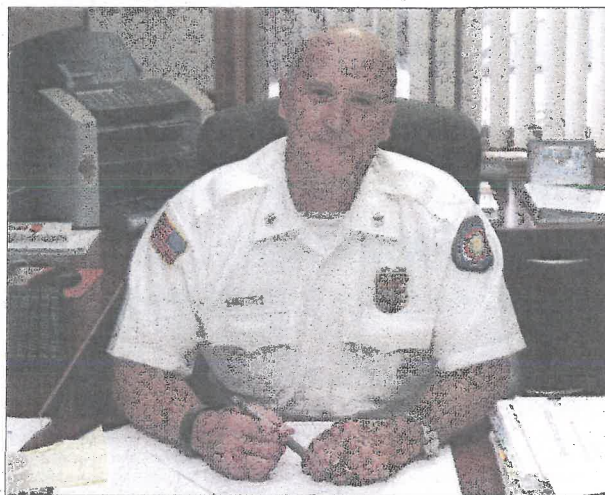
Willowbrook recognized this year's Distinguished Alumni/Distinguished Service awards honorees at a Sept. 24 dinner at The Carlisle in Lombard. The Distinguished Alumni inductees included Rakosnik (Class of 1975), as well as Thomas Hedberg Jr. (Class of 2001), Carrie Johnson (Class of 1990), Rick Kurasz (Class of 1990), Jim Medford (Class of

1974), Rich Ramazinski (Class of 1997), Irene Shaffer (Class of 1963), Ernie Slavik III (Class of 1964) and Robert Stahelin (Class of 1994).

This year's Distinguished Service honorees are Richard Chamberlain (1990-2001), Joy Joyce (1972-2005) and Kathy Marcyniuk (1994-2008).

"It's a really big honor," said Rakosnik of the Distinguished Service recognition. He learned he would receive the award this summer from Willowbrook Principal Dan Krause. Rakosnik and Krause are both members of the Villa Park Kiwanis Club. Rakosnik said Monday he still does not know who nominated him for the alumni award.

Rakosnik joined the York Center Fire Department as a firefighter in 1975, when he was still in high school. He began his full-time



Willowbrook graduate...

Photo by Chris Fox

VILLA PARK FIRE CHIEF Ron Rakosnik (above) is pictured Monday in his office at Fire Station No. 81 at 1440 S. Ardmore Ave. Over 40 years ago, as a student at Willowbrook High School, Rakosnik watched the construction of the fire station. Rakosnik, who has been Villa Park Fire Chief since 2012, was recently recognized as a member of Willowbrook's 2015 Distinguished Alumni class.

career with the Wilmette Fire Department in 1982. Three years later, he joined the Lombard Fire Department as a firefighter/paramedic. Rakosnik spent over 27 years at the Lombard department, where he was promoted to lieutenant and battalion chief. Rakosnik became the Villa Park Fire Chief in the summer of 2012.

During his remarks at last month's dinner, Rakosnik spoke about his career. He also spoke about what he learned in his time in high school.

"Willowbrook taught me a good work ethic, how to work hard," he said in recalling his remarks at the dinner.

Rakosnik also spoke of his mentor at the Lombard Fire Department—Deputy Fire Chief

Jerry Tonne. A no-nonsense firefighter who was a stickler for detail, Tonne passed away in 2005. Rakosnik said Tonne demonstrated integrity, honesty and taking pride in his job.

Rakosnik said this week that firefighters need to connect with the residents they protect.

"I try to teach these guys here that there are things you have to do; you can't just be here," said Rakosnik in his office at Station No. 81. "You've got to reach out to the community."

Rakosnik spent part of his day on Monday with children at North Elementary School and at Montessori Children's Academy. He read to children about fire safety as part of 2015 Fire Prevention Week (Oct. 4-10). The theme of this year's week is "Every Bedroom Needs a Working Smoke Alarm."



Chief in action...

Photo by Al Stasch

THE ABOVE PHOTO shows Villa Park Fire Chief Ron Rakosnik responding to a call at Oak Brook Towers. Rakosnik spent over 27 years with the Lombard Fire Department before becoming Villa Park Fire Chief in 2012. Rakosnik, who graduated from Willowbrook High School in 1975, began his firefighting career when he was still in high school. He joined the York Center Fire Department in 1975. Rakosnik began his full-time career as a firefighter with the Wilmette Fire Department in 1982.

Villa Park Fire Department invites residents to Saturday's 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 hose, wear kid-sized firefighting gear and meet Sparky the Fire Dog. There will be a live fire demonstration at 2:30 p.m.

Police department announces upcoming roadside safety checks

The Villa Park Police Department announced last week it will conduct roadside safety checks on Friday, Oct. 23, Saturday, Nov. 14 and Friday, Nov. 20. According to a news release issued by the police department, the safety checks are being conducted to promote the safety and well-being of the motoring public, and to provide a deterrent for those who might violate Illinois Vehicle Code statutes and village ordinances.

The release noted that the department plans to conduct the checks at locations and time periods that will provide the maximum opportunity for the detection and apprehension of motorists who drive under the influence of alcohol or other substances. The department stated that the roadside safety checks will be conducted according to the guidelines set forth by the courts.

Villa Park Junior Women's Club presents Trick or Trot on Oct. 24

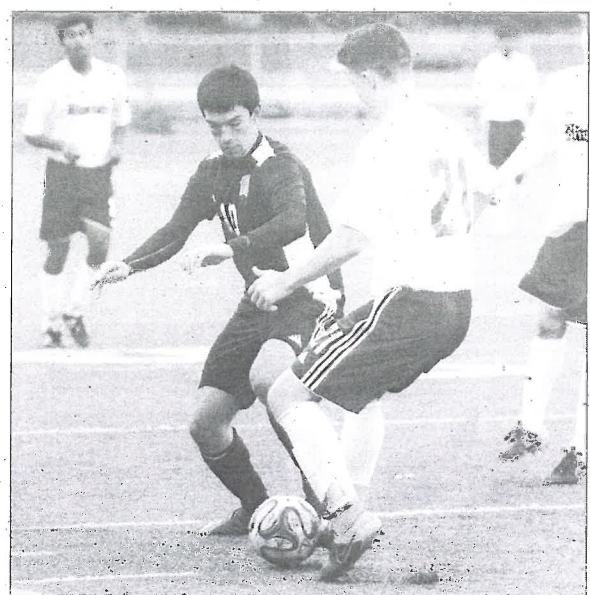
The Villa Park Junior Women's Club (VPJWC) will present its annual Trick or Trot 5K/Little Devil Dash 1K fundraiser on Saturday, Oct. 24. Each run will begin and end near the Ruggard Gazebo, located near Ardmore Avenue and Park Boulevard, by the Illinois Prairie Path. The 5-kilometer run/walk will start at 9 a.m. The shorter race for children will begin at 10 a.m.

Race-day registration will start at 7 a.m. All proceeds from the event will benefit the local charities, organizations and families

supported by the Villa Park Junior Women's Club.

Participants in each event are encouraged to wear Halloween costumes. There will be prizes for the fastest male and female finishers, as well as those who are judged to have the best costumes.

To register in advance, visit the VPJWC Web site at <http://vpjwc.org/trick-or-trot5k>. The event's registration fees are \$35 for individuals, \$60 per family and \$12 per child in the 1-kilometer dash.



A tough week...

Photo by Chris Fox

WILLOWBROOK SENIOR Collin Doherty (above, left) battles for control of the ball during Saturday's boys soccer match at Hinsdale Central. The Red Devils, who are the reigning IHSA state champions, defeated the Warriors 3-1. The Warriors took a 1-0 lead when junior Benny Heredia scored off an assist from junior Saul Hernandez midway through the first half. The Red Devils then scored three goals in the next eight minutes on their way to a 3-1 halftime lead. "That's a seasoned team; they know how to seize an opportunity," said Willowbrook coach Peter Ginter of the Red Devils. "If you let down just for a minute against a good team like this, they're going to keep coming at you." Saturday's loss to Hinsdale Central moved the Warriors' season record to 10-3. Willowbrook's previous match was a 1-0 overtime loss at Addison Trail in a West Suburban Gold Conference battle on Sept. 29. That defeated ended Willowbrook's nine-match winning streak. The Blazers scored the winning goal in the second of two 10-minute overtime periods. If the match had remained scoreless through both overtimes, the winner would have been determined in a penalty-kick shootout. The Warriors will close out the regular season with three more matches—this week's conference battles against Morton and Leyden—followed by an Oct. 15 home match against conference rival Downers Grove South.



Landscaping awards...

THE VILLA PARK COMMUNITY PRIDE COMMISSION presented its annual residential landscaping awards at the Sept. 28 Villa Park Village Board meeting. Commission member Carol Davis presented the awards to owners of four Villa Park homes who have made a special effort to beautify their landscapes. The winners were nominated by fellow residents or by members of the commission. The above left photo shows Darlene and Donald Mayszak of the 800 block of South Summit Avenue. The above right photo shows Megan and Mike Spatola of the 700 block of South Ardmore Avenue. They are pictured with their children, and with their neighbor, Nancy Finke (left), who nominated them for the award. This year's two other award winners were Mike and Karen Burmester of the 600 block of South Cornell Avenue and Tom and Joyce Molinaro of the 400 block of South Ardmore Avenue.



Photos by Al Stasch

Remodeling...

THE VILLA PARK VILLAGE BOARD voted unanimously during its Sept. 28 meeting to approve the purchase of replacement doors and windows for the Great Western Railroad Station. The village will make the purchase from Pella Windows and Doors, Inc., for about \$24,400. The purchase will provide seven single windows and three double doors for the building, which is on the north side of Cortesi Veterans Memorial Park. The remodeling of the old depot building will also include the addition of two new Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant restrooms. The building will serve as an open meeting area. The board also approved a contract with Elanar Construction Co. of Chicago for about \$133,500 to make renovations within the memorial park. Those renovations include the installation of a new memorial, as well as new sidewalks and flagpoles.



Sports

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Rams lose a shootout; Warriors edge Morton

The Glenbard East football team experienced a disastrous third quarter during Friday's homecoming game against South Elgin. The visiting storm outscored the Rams 27-0 during the period to take a 39-26 lead with 12 minutes to play.

Glenbard East rebounded from the miserable third period to take a 40-39 lead in the fourth quarter in the Upstate Eight Valley Conference battle, which took place in howling winds. The Storm, however, continued to light up the scoreboard, and two late touchdowns helped the Storm pull away to a 61-47 win.

Glenbard East fell to 4-2 overall and 2-1 in the conference. South Elgin moved to 5-1 overall and 2-0 in conference play.

"Our guys rallied back; we just couldn't finish it," said Glenbard East coach John Walters. "We need to learn how to finish games."

The Rams need to win at least two of their last three games to secure an IHSA playoff berth. Glenbard East will face Geneva (6-0) of the Upstate Eight River Conference this Friday in Lombard. The Rams will complete the regular season with conference games against West Aurora (Oct. 16) and Bartlett (Oct. 23).

"Thank goodness there are three left," said Walters. "There's a long way to go. Our character will be revealed over the next three weeks."

Glenbard East scored the first of the game's 16 touchdowns on the opening drive of the night. Senior quarterback Phil Abruzzino completed a 6-yard touchdown pass to senior receiver Zach Walsh to complete a 78-yard drive. The Storm scored a touchdown in the waning seconds of the first quarter to tie the score at 6-6.

Abruzzino's 32-yard touchdown pass to senior Travis Lyles helped the Rams to a 13-6 lead early in the second quarter. A 71-yard touchdown run by South Elgin's Shawn Griffin cut Glenbard East's lead to 13-12. A pair of short touchdown runs by Abruzzino gave the Rams a 26-12 halftime lead.

The third quarter actually began well for the Rams, who took over possession when the Storm turned the ball over on downs. Moments later, the Storm intercepted a pass that was tipped at the line. A 26-yard touchdown drive followed, cutting the Glenbard East lead to 26-19. There was a near replay of the exchange in the next couple of minutes, as South Elgin intercepted another tipped pass and converted the turnover into a touchdown. A 33-yard pass and the ensuing extra-point kick tied the score at 26-26 midway through the third quarter. Who knew the final 18 minutes would feature eight more touchdowns?

Glenbard East's third-quarter woes continued with a pair of blocked punts, both of which led to South Elgin touchdowns. One of those drives covered 23 yards, while the other required only one play—a 4-yard run by Griffin. The Storm

missed the extra-point kick after that touchdown, which pushed their lead to 39-26 with two minutes left in the quarter.

The Rams' fortunes changed as soon as the quarter ended and they began heading toward the south end zone. Abruzzino's pass of over 40 yards to senior Conor Glennon on the opening play of the quarter brought the ball inside the Storm's 10-yard line. A few plays later, Abruzzino fired a 7-yard TD pass to Glennon on a fourth-and-goal play.

South Elgin fumbled the ball away on its ensuing possession. The Rams needed one play—a 13-yard TD pass from Abruzzino to Walsh—to tie the game at 39-39. Junior Justin Murphy kicked the extra point to give the Rams a 40-39 lead with 9:05 to play.

Glenbard East held the lead for less than two minutes. The Storm regained the lead on Griffin's 34-yard touchdown run, followed by a two-point conversion pass to push the advantage to 47-40.

Walsh's third touchdown reception of the night—a 3-yard catch on a fourth-and-goal play—pulled the Rams to within one point at the 3:44 mark. Murphy's conversion kick tied the score at 47-47.

The game would remain tied for 35 seconds. Griffin's 41-yard TD run and the ensuing kick gave the Storm a 54-47 lead with 3:09 to play. The Rams' next two offensive drives ended with interceptions, the second of which was returned about 40 yards for a touchdown with under 50 seconds to play.

Willowbrook

The Warriors kept their hopes for an IHSA playoff berth—and the West Suburban Gold Conference title—alive with Friday's exciting 38-31 conference victory at Morton in Berwyn. Sophomore running back Jack Jessen scored on a short touchdown run with about 20 seconds to play to break a 31-31 tie. Jessen finished the night with over 160 rushing yards and a pair of touchdowns.

Senior receiver Ron Reitz caught a pair of touchdown passes from senior quarterback Billy Degnan. Reitz, who also made a fourth-down reception to keep the Warriors' winning touchdown drive alive, finished the night with nine receptions for 93 yards.

Willowbrook improved to 3-0 overall and 2-1 in the conference with Friday's victory. The Warriors need to win their last three games—conference battles against Proviso East, Downers Grove South and Leyden—to claim the conference title and lock up a trip to the playoffs. Willowbrook has not won a West Suburban Gold conference football title since joining the conference about three decades ago.

"Obviously the playoffs are on our mind," said Degnan. "We have to take it week by week. We can't overlook anybody."

Willowbrook, which is now 3-1

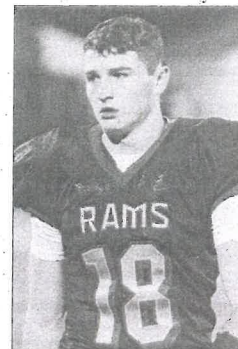
on the road this season and 0-2 at home, will play Proviso East (1-5 overall, 0-3 in the conference) this Friday in Villa Park.

Morton (which dropped to 1-5 overall, 1-2 conference) held a 13-0 lead over the Warriors late in the second quarter. Willowbrook cut into the lead when Degnan connected with Reitz on a short touchdown pass with about two minutes left in the first half. A short time later, Morton lined up to punt the ball back to the Warriors. The snap went over the head of the Mustangs' punter, who covered the ball at his team's 11-yard line. Jessen ran the ball into the end zone on the next play to tie the game at 13-13 with 1:25 left in the half. Junior Mike Dembowski kicked the extra point for a 14-13 lead.

Willowbrook received the second-half kickoff and drove 63 yards for a touchdown on its way to a 21-13 lead. Degnan's 9-yard scoring pass to Reitz completed the drive. The Warriors' lead grew to 24-13 when Dembowski kicked a 23-yard field goal with about four minutes left in the third quarter.

Morton's offense came to life on the ensuing series, which lasted all of one play—a short pass that turned into an 80-yard touchdown reception. The Mustangs added a two-point conversion run to cut the Warriors' lead to 24-21. Morton then recovered the midrange kickoff that the Warriors couldn't track down in gusty conditions. The Mustangs pounced on the loose ball near Willowbrook's 34-yard line. Moments later, Morton converted a 25-yard field goal attempt to tie the score at 24-24 with less than one minute to play in the third quarter.

The fourth quarter included Degnan's 60-yard touchdown pass to senior Josan Murphy on a fourth-and-



Standout receivers...

Photos by Chris Fox

GLENBARD EAST senior receiver Conor Glennon (above, left) makes a catch in the open field on the first play of the fourth quarter of Friday's homecoming football game against South Elgin. Moments after making the above reception, Glennon caught a 7-yard touchdown pass on a fourth-and-goal play. The above right photo shows senior receiver Zach Walsh, who had three touchdown receptions against the Storm. South Elgin defeated Glenbard East 61-47.

one play with about 10 minutes remaining. Morton scored about three minutes later to tie the game at 31-31 with about 6:30 remaining. Degnan lofted a short pass to the speedy Murphy, who caught the ball and raced down the middle of the field into the end zone.

The Warriors drove 55 yards for a score on their final offensive series of the night. The only passing play of the drive was Degnan's fourth-down pass to Reitz. The 7-yard pass play with about one minute to play gave the Warriors a first down at Morton's 5-yard line.

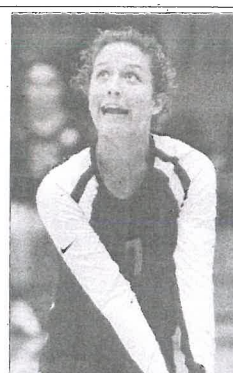
"It was a make-or-break play," said Degnan of the fourth-down pass to Reitz. "We knew the pass would be there. We had a lot of confidence in the call."

Moments later, Jessen bulled his way into the end zone on a 1-yard scoring run. Morton managed four plays (three incomplete passes and one short completion to its own 22-yard line on the game's final play) to close out the contest.

Montini

The Broncos posted their third straight shutout of the season when they defeated St. Joseph 42-0 in Friday's game at Elmhurst College. The Broncos, who held a 35-0 lead after one quarter and added one more touchdown in the second period, improved to 6-0 and clinched the program's 23rd straight trip to the IHSA playoffs.

The Broncos will play a home game against St. Francis (4-2 overall) this Friday.



Rams beat the Warriors in a three-game battle...

GLENBARD EAST AND WILLOWBROOK squared off in Thursday's girls volleyball match in Lombard. The Rams defeated the visiting Warriors 25-17, 20-25, 25-12. Willowbrook had the momentum in its favor after winning the second game, but a Glenbard East surge early in the decisive third game turned a 5-5 tie into a 17-7 advantage for the Rams, who improved their overall record to 12-13 with the victory. Willowbrook's season record dropped to 10-10. "It was not pretty, and then the momentum shifted to our side," said Glenbard East coach Marci Maier, referring to an early deficit the Rams faced in the first game. "All of a sudden it went back to them in the second game and came back to us in the third game. I'm glad the pendulum swung back toward us so that we could pull that off. Senior Allison Farrell (above, left) had seven kills and 11 digs for Glenbard East. Freshman Allison Hamaker and senior Elin Ream provided eight and seven kills, respectively. Senior Jessie Spontak had 12 digs, while senior Sammie Scales (right) made nine digs. Junior Meghan Wozniak contributed eight assists and senior Magda Dabrowski delivered four blocks. Junior Olivia Pennebaker (above, center) had 11 digs and four kills for Willowbrook. Senior Danielle McNamara bashed eight kills, while junior Jamie Chiappetta connected for seven kills. Seniors Maya Bullock and Kalyn Konrath each had three kills. Senior Maddie Weinhold and junior Emily Ligocki provided 13 and seven assists, respectively. "Passion—that's our theme this year," said Willowbrook coach Sue Bower. "We have to learn how to play with passion. When we lose our passion we lose our focus. We're trying to work on it." Two days before playing Willowbrook, the Rams lost a 25-19, 25-18 decision to Geneva. Wozniak had 11 assists, while Farrell and Ream each made five kills. The Warriors earned a West Suburban Gold Conference win on Sept. 29, defeating Morton 25-14, 26-24. Pennebaker pounded 13 kills, while Chiappetta and McNamara had six kills apiece. Weinhold and Ligocki made 14 and 12 assists, respectively, for the Warriors, who evened their conference record at 2-2.

Junior Rams to hold girls basketball tryouts Oct. 21-22

The Glenbard East Junior Rams girls basketball program will hold tryouts for the upcoming season on Wednesday, Oct. 21, and Thursday, Oct. 22. The tryouts for the program's fifth-, sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade teams will take

place from 7-9 p.m. each evening in Glenbard East's main gymnasium.

For more information about the tryouts, contact Glenbard East girls varsity coach Don Finnin at donald_finnin@glenbard.org.



Good morning Villa Park, Lombard. We seem to always have a problem in our towns with police not wanting to take care of speeders, blowing through stop signs, we have camera lights who they seem to only choose who they want to give tickets to. Police should lead by example but how can we do the right thing when the police don't? I sit in the morning and watch the police on my way to work. They don't even stop at stop signs. They make one of those put-your-brake-on-and-keep-on-going. So, why should the public have to do that? Why shouldn't the public be able to do the same thing? Please, somebody let me know why they're privileged and we're not.

The following response was received from the Village of Lombard:

The Lombard Police Department takes the issue of traffic safety very seriously. In addition to traffic enforcement by all patrol shifts, the department also utilizes a Traffic Safety Unit staffed with three full-time sworn police officers. In 2014, Lombard police officers made over 11,000 traffic stops of motorists for a variety of traffic violations. More than 6,000 citations were issued to violators for many infractions to include speeding, driving while texting or talking on a cell phone, disobeying traffic control devices and DUI. We will continue our

efforts at strong enforcement of traffic laws to ensure that Lombard remains a safe community to drive in. The Village of Lombard practices openness and transparency in its reporting of government statistics and activity. An annual report is prepared by the police department and is made available on the village's Web site at <http://www.villageoflombard.org/LPDannualreport>. If you observe a patrol car not obeying a traffic law, you can call 630-873-4400 and report the incident to a patrol supervisor who will investigate it." —blm

I was biking on the sidewalk, and almost hit a fire hydrant because people are parking their cars on the sidewalk. You are creating a hidden danger. Kids are also riding bikes and are forced to go on the street among moving cars. It blocks the route for Lombardians who are not so lucky to walk. Please be considerate and not make our town more dangerous.

Lombard calling. Did they abandon the new parking lot on the Hammerschmidt property? It appears like no one has worked there for over a week. It's Oct. 2, and nobody's been here at all this week, it seems, and I don't believe they were there for the last couple of days of last week. Is that

not going to be done? We're getting into winter. It would seem like that would be easy enough to do.

According to a Village of Lombard press release issued at the beginning of August, Kee Construction was planning to begin the parking lot expansion project Aug. 5. The release also states, "Substantial completion is scheduled for October with final completion scheduled for November." The project is slated to provide an additional 92 commuter parking spaces. More information is available at www.VillageofLombard.org/HammerschmidtExpansion. You can also get updates by e-mail; go to www.VillageofLombard.org/notifyme or contact public works at 630-620-5740 for more information.

Hi. To the caller who's concerned with teacher unions, you're comparing physical difficulty with mental stress of teaching lessons. Think how stressful it would be to put the teacher on the garbage truck and the garbage man in front of a bunch of students. Your argument makes absolutely no sense.

Hi, this is Lombard calling. I'm just going through the paper today and again I noticed that Montini never has any sports pictures, and it's probably been over a year since I've seen any kind of coverage as far as photos or anything being put into the Lombardian. As far as I've checked, Montini still lives in Lombard so I would love your support again. Thanks, and have a nice day.

We have not forgotten about the Broncos. We have limited space in the sports section and try to provide sports coverage of Glenbrook East, Willowbrook and Montini. It's not accurate to say we've had no photos or coverage of any kind of Montini sports in the last year. We have had some,

and we will definitely pay more attention to the Broncos during the upcoming post-seasons of some of the school's fall sports, including football, girls volleyball and cross country.

Lombard calling. Too many Lombard bicyclists are seemingly among the most self-absorbed and rude groups ever. I walk on the Great Western Trail and Main Street in Lombard and have on many occasions in the last three months been barely missed by these cyclists as they ride behind me. They don't call out so I know they're there. For the record, these are all adults as well as some seniors. Shame on all of them and why are they riding on the sidewalk? I was walking on Main Street by Grove on my way to St. Charles when I was almost hit. I am not the only person I'm sure who cannot hear looming cyclists behind me. What is our village ordinance regarding adults riding on the sidewalks? It is really ignorant not to call out when you are behind someone walking and it can be dangerous. Thank you.

I have called the Illinois Department of Transportation twice now about the brush and overgrowth along the edge of Route 53, just south of Meadow on the east side of the street. Turning right off Meadow onto Route 53, it is blocking visibility

of whatever traffic is in the right lane coming over that hill going north. Any chance the Village of Lombard can get something done when a resident cannot? You almost have to creep out a little into the street so I think it is a hazard—even when one is being cautious—because visibility is obscured until the vehicle is near the intersection, even at night.

Good morning, this is Lombard. I'm calling to inquire about the hours for trick-or-treating in Lombard. The village news says Saturday, Oct. 31, during the day and will end at 7 p.m. Does that mean the trick-or-treaters can start at 10 a.m. and go until 7 at night? Some clarity would be appreciated here because I'm not going to spend the entire day at my door handing out candy to these little darlings.

Your comment was referred to the Village of Lombard, which offered this response:

"The Lombard Police Department is reminding residents to use caution when trick-or-treating this Halloween. Since Halloween is on Saturday, trick-or-treating does not have a set start time but Lombard Police Chief Raymond Byrne encourages residents to use consideration and suggests that trick-or-treating should wait until the afternoon hours. Trick-or-treating hours end at 7 p.m."

Law will require civics education in high school

Illinois high school graduates will now have a better understanding of state government.

State Sen. Tom Cullerton's (D-Villa Park) initiative that would require a semester of civics to graduate high school was signed into law on Aug. 21.

Illinois has joined 40 other states in requiring at least one civics course as a graduation requirement for high school graduates. Illinois high school students are already required to complete two years of social studies. The high school curriculum will change starting with the freshman class of 2016-17 to simply require one semester of the existing two year requirement to include a civics course.

"This is a big step toward engaging more people in the

democratic process. Our goal is to give our young people the tools to make informed decisions and take an active role in government at all levels," said Cullerton.

The Illinois Task Force on Civic Education recommended that Illinois should require a civic education course for all high schools in Illinois. The class would focus on government institutions, current issues and discussions and simulations of the democratic process.

Private funding will be provided to cover the costs associated with the implementation of the civics courses, such as professional development and other school needs.

House Bill 4025 was signed into law on Aug. 21 and goes into effect on Jan. 1, 2016.

If you have a comment, question, suggestion, etc., you can call SPEAK OUT any time of the day or night. The deadline for each week's column is Friday at 5 p.m. Call SPEAK OUT but do not leave your name or identify yourself in any way. If your comment or question concerns a particular town, please start your comment with "Lombard - I would like to know," or "Villa Park - whose job is it to." Please limit your call to one (1) minute. SPEAK OUT is a community service of the LOMBARDIAN/VILLA PARK REVIEW newspapers. When at all possible, we try to contact public officials to obtain the answers to questions that concern them, and residents are also encouraged to contact public officials with their inquiries. Due to space limitations, it may not be possible to print all calls. We reserve the right to edit calls for length, clarity and subject matter. Please remember SPEAK OUT callers are expressing their opinion as they see it and may not be factual.

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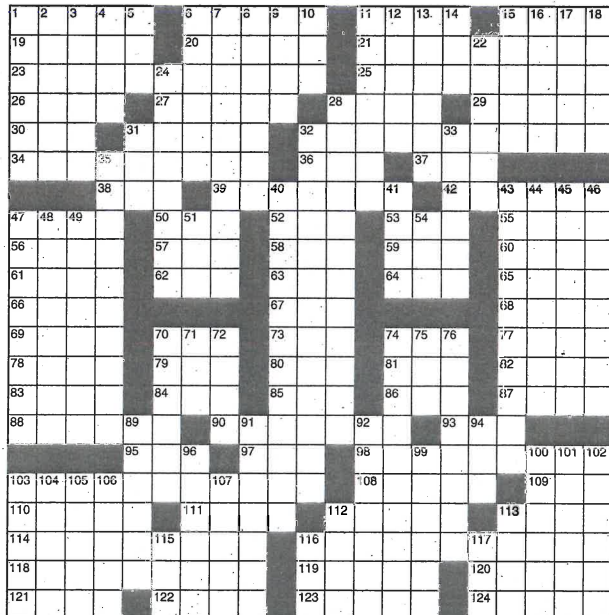
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Elaine Zannis prepares for District 2 County Board campaign

OAK BROOK — Former two term Oak Brook Village Trustee and local real-estate broker Elaine Zannis, a Republican, is gearing up for another potential run for the DuPage County Board's second district. Necessary for any campaign, Zannis has been routinely raising funds and talking to residents of the second district.

"The outpouring of support from local residents is wonderful! It is because of them I am encouraged to run," she said.

As a real-estate broker, Zannis has been a longtime advocate for reducing property taxes for residents while keeping property values high.

"A home is a significant investment for any family," she said. "We must have great schools, strong property val-

ues, and an affordable property tax rate for anyone who looks to build a life in DuPage. I often help many families appeal their property tax rate with their local Township Assessor. This is especially important for senior citizens and long-time residents."

Although there has not been an official announcement of candidacy, spokesman Andrew Edmier from the campaign office said Elaine would be making an announcement "very soon."

The second district for the DuPage County Board includes parts of Downers Grove, Elmhurst, Lombard, Lisle, Oak Brook, Hinsdale, Villa Park, Westmont, Clarendon Hills, Woodridge, and Oakbrook Terrace.

Sen. Cullerton helps suburban job seekers find work

VILLA PARK — Walter Conrad showed up to the Odeum Expo Center on Wednesday, September 30, looking for a job. By the time he left, he had three interviews lined up, including one on Thursday.

"This was helpful," said Conrad, one of hundreds who attended the job fair sponsored by State Senator Tom Cullerton (D-Villa Park). "I met with a wide range of employers and even had an on-site interview."

Job seekers from across the suburbs flocked to Cullerton's annual job fair, which this year featured more than 100 businesses ranging from the DuPage County Health Department to Google Streetview's 360 Photo Team.

"Events like this are essential to link interested businesses with qualified candidates," Cullerton said. "Let's put people back to work. Our economy is growing. We have Illinois businesses ready to hire."

Residents who were unable to attend this event are encouraged to reach out to Cullerton's Villa Park constituent service office at (630) 903-6662 to take advantage of a variety of resources.

• REFORM

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required for any new or amended contracts entered into with employees.

• Third, this legislation no longer allows boards to enter into contracts with automatic renewals or extensions. All contracts must have start and end dates that cannot exceed four years. Under this legislation, contract extensions and renewals would be granted during open board meetings.

Last month, many state senators including Cullerton were outraged at the abuse of state dollars at the University of Illinois' resigning Chancellor Phyllis Wise's severance package. Most agree the bonus pro-

visions outlined in Wise's severance package should never have existed.

House Bill 3593 only addresses reforms at the community college level, the measure doesn't include reforms to public universities.

"We have seen enough already," Cullerton said. "Working families should be able to rely on our state community colleges and universities to use tuition dollars to educate their children, not to dine on the taxpayer's dime."

House Bill 3593 was signed into law on September 22, 2015 and goes into effect immediately.



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Stephaney Cheng named 88's Best at WBHS for September

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A leader within the class of 2016, Cheng has enrolled in the most rigorous courses available at WBHS, including completing 12 Advanced Placement (AP)/college-level courses and a multitude of honors courses. Cheng has maintained a class ranking within the 99th percentile, is an AP Scholar and has earned Honor Roll status each semester of her high school career. She also is President of the school's National Honor Society, is Secretary of Civitas (the school's Social Studies Honor Society) and is an inductee of the National English, Math and World Language honor societies.

Beyond the classroom, Cheng has been recognized with a Human Relations Award, an Outstanding Student recognition in science and an Outstanding Freshman Award. She also serves as President of Key Club, a Student Ambassador to assist students who transfer to WBHS and a New Beginnings Leader to assist freshmen in the transition to high school.

Cheng's commitment to WBHS is further demonstrated by her participation as a Student Council representative, a Blue Crew Officer and a member of Science Olympiad and Math Team. She also is a member of yearbook, the student newspaper, Varsity Athletic Club, Best Buddies and is Captain of the Girls Soccer Team.

Interested in making a difference, Cheng volunteers her time as a Relay For Life participant, a Freshmen Progress Program mentor, a Feed My Starving Children volunteer and a helper with Kiwanis Peanut Day and numerous WB events such as Open House and Eighth-Grade Transition Parent Nights.

"Cheng is one of our best," said Eastman Tiu, science teacher. "Her work ethic and quality of work is top notch, but her best attribute by far is her contribution to her learning community. In the classroom and small group work, she adds so much to the discussion and leads by example. Having her in class is truly like having another teacher in the room, who can help others understand concepts."

Science teacher Ben Fenske agreed.

"I have known Cheng since she was a freshman in my honors biology class," he said. "At that time, she stood out as one of my very best students. She was then — and is now — a serious, steady student. She could always be counted on to set the standard and lead by example: consistent, thoughtful and mature. But that is not to say she is not without humor or social graces. She has a great, ironic sense of humor and works very well with other students, contributing to our school community in many ways."

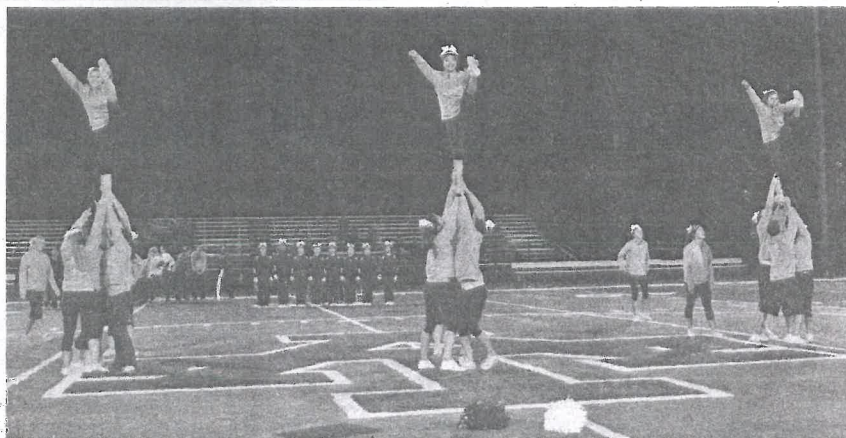
Cheng plans to major in biochemistry and pursue a career in the medical profession. She will apply to Johns Hopkins University, Boston University, Washington University in St. Louis and University of Wisconsin-Madison.



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AT cheerleaders, Bucky Blazer perform

(left and below): The Addison Trail Cheerleaders perform at halftime during the District 88 Cross-town Powder-Puff Football Game. The school's mascot "Bucky the Blazer" (pictured at left) also joined in the fun,



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'Godspell' at
Elmhurst College

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

Tuesday, Oct. 13
Life Line health screenings

From 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Life Line Screening will visit the Community Recreation Building, at 320 E. Wildwood, to offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings. Five screenings will be offered to scan for potential problems. For more information, call 1-888-653-6441 or visit lifelinescreening.com/communitypartners. All five screening take 60-90 minutes to complete.

Saturday, Oct. 17
Crafter's Holiday

Crafters are wanted for the annual St. Alexander's Council of Catholic Women Crafter's Holiday at St. Alexander Parish, located at 230 S. Cornell Ave. This year's Crafter's Holiday is scheduled from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. There will be ample parking, handicapped entry and washrooms; an all-day snack shop featuring breakfast and lunch items. Plus a bakery booth of delicious homemade bakery goods. Info: contact Pat at 630-941-9592 or Marianne at 630-834-2183.

Sunday, Oct. 18
Local author showcase at the library

The Villa Park Library, 305 S. Ardmore, is hosting a Local Author Showcase from 2-4:30 p.m. Meet fans and sell your books. To enter, contact Sean Birmingham at 630-834-1164, Ext. 119.

Friday, Oct. 23 and S.

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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.

Saturday, Oct. 24
Juniors host Trick-or-Trot 5K, Little Devil Dash

The Villa Park Junior Women's Club will hold this fundraiser at the Gazebo at the Prairie Path at Ardmore Ave. & Park Blvd. The 5K steps off at 9 a.m.; the kids 1K begins at 10. Costumes optional, but encouraged! Day of race registration begins at 7 a.m. Fees are \$35/individual, \$60/family and \$12/Kids 1K. To register in advance (by Oct. 1), please visit vpjwc.org/trick-or-trot-5k/. Prizes awarded. Proceeds benefit local community families and organizations.

Ongoing events ...
• Free poetry workshops at the Library

Are you a poet looking for a supportive community to share your work? The Villa Park Public Library is pleased to offer free poetry workshops, led by Friends member Ida Kotyuk. These workshops will be held on the following Mondays at the library: Oct. 12 and 26; Nov. 9 and 23; Dec. 7 and 21. Registration is required for each session. Info: visit the library's website (vppl.info) or call 630-834-1164.

• VFW Friday Night Fish Fry

From 5:30-8 p.m. every Friday evening, the Villa Park VFW Post #2801, 39 E. St. Charles Road, holds its Fish Fry. Menu available for purchase includes fried shrimp, fish/shrimp combos, beef/sausage sandwiches, combos and hot dogs.

• Widows or Widowers meeting

Widows or Widowers (W.O.W.) of the Western Suburbs meets on the third Thursday of each month starting at 6:30 p.m. Held at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 537 S. York Road, Elmhurst. Admission: \$5. Info: (630) 620-4060 or wow.cfsites.org.

• Electronics disposal for recycling

From 9 a.m. to noon on the third Saturday of every month, the Village of Villa Park has coordinated with Roy Strom, the village's waste hauler, to offer E-Waste "the right way"—a convenient, cost free drop-off electronic disposal solution. The drop-off site has been relocated to the Village Hall parking lot, located at 20 S. Ardmore Ave. Info: (630) 592-6052.

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WBHS senior named to Illinois student advisory council

VILLA PARK — Willowbrook senior Sally Nijim has been named to the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) Student Advisory Council (SAC).

Nijim joins 16 other sophomore, junior and senior high school students from throughout Illinois to form the council. The group convened on Sept. 22 & 23 in Springfield for its first meeting of the 2015-16 school year. Members of the SAC work with ISBE and State Superintendent of Education Tony Smith, Ph.D., providing student perspectives and concerns on the state's education policies.

"I applied to join the council because I want to be a voice for the students in my school and community and advocate for policies and positive changes in the state education and schooling system," she said.

There was a competitive



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WILLOWBROOK SENIOR
SALLY NIJIM

review process Nijim underwent to become a member of the SAC, which included completing an application with two essay questions. She was then selected from the pool of applicants to interview with multiple ISBE Board members.

"Seeing the acceptance letter was quite a shock for me," she said. "It is a great honor to be part of the council. It will be such an incredible experience to be able to represent Illinois public school students."

Each year, members of the SAC select a topic they research in depth and present to ISBE in the spring. Nijim said her group plans to focus on the topic of teacher evaluations.

"It is my hope our research project will eventually aid in influencing legislation passed in the future, so the Illinois education system can continue to enrich the mind of each student," she said.

The SAC will next meet on Nov. 18 and 19 in Springfield. The SAC was established in 1975, and all sophomores, juniors and seniors who attend an Illinois public high school are eligible to apply.

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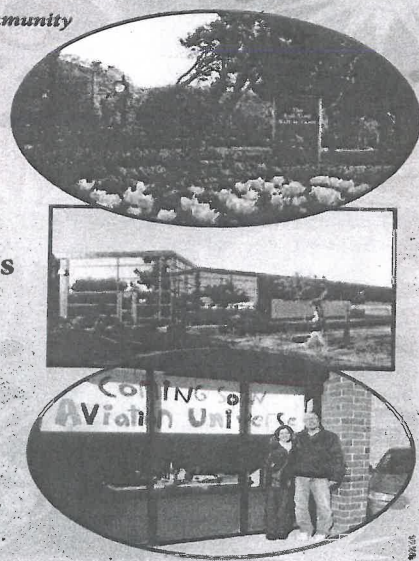
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ATHS beats Willowbrook in District 88 Crosstown Powder-Puff Game

On Oct. 1, Addison Trail and Willowbrook junior and senior girls competed in the District 88 Crosstown Powder-Puff Football Game. The event raised about \$350 for the District 88 Foundation. (top left): The Willowbrook Powder-Puff Team gets ready to make a play. (top middle): The Addison Trail

Powder-Puff Team gets ready to make a play. (top right): The Addison Trail Powder-Puff Team celebrates after winning the game 7-0. (bottom left): Pictured is the Willowbrook Powder-Puff Team. (bottom right): Pictured is the Addison Trail Powder-Puff Team.



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ACA celebrates another successful Arts Alive!

ADDISON — The Addison Center for the Arts (ACA) recently completed another session of "Arts Alive: An After School Program" for students in grades 6-8 at Indian Trail Junior High School. Arts Alive gives students a change to explore various arts which are not part of the regular school curriculum.

The following ACA members provided workshops: Terren Doehrer and Jutta Distler led Music, teaching songwriting and lyrics; Cathleen Schandmeier Bartels led Theater acting and improv. In the visual arts, Irene Boutzarelos demonstrated painting on glass and Sue Bortko led mixed media painting.

The program was funded in part by the National Endowment for the Arts "Arts Engagement in American Communities," the JCS Foundation and the ACA with the cooperation of Addison School District #4.



This group of students from Indian Trail Junior High struck a pose after participating in Arts Alive! It is an annual initiative led by the Addison Center for the Arts (ACA) to give students a change to learn about arts, which are not part of the school's curriculum. It gives students the opportunity to participate after school in a safe environment. More photos of Arts Alive inside this issue.

Zachary Novak named 88's Best for September at Addison Trail

ADDISON — Zachary Novak has been named as Addison Trail's September recipient of 88's Best recognition for his academic accomplishments. Novak, a senior, was recognized during the Sept. 28 District 88 Board of Education meeting.

Novak is highly involved at Addison Trail and consistently expends every effort to be at the top of his class. By the end of his senior year, Novak will have completed 12 Advanced Placement (AP)/college-level courses and 12 honors courses.

"In the short time I have known Novak, his easygoing demeanor and ready smile belie a fierce intellect and his commitment to academic success," said Carolyn Erwin, AT science teacher. "He is an asset to AP biology."

Social studies teacher Tom Hubner agreed.



Pictured here with ATHS Principal Michael Bolden is senior Zachary Novak who has been named as Addison Trail's September recipient of 88's Best recognition.

"Novak is an outstanding person, as well as a great student and athlete," Hubner said. "I have had the pleasure to coach him and to know him for three years, and I have a deep respect

for him. He works hard every day and takes his academics seriously. He is well liked among his peers and respected by all. I truly admire Novak and the work he has done at Addison Trail."

Involved in AT's extracurricular

programs, Novak said he is proud of his improvements on the basketball court, where he has been an integral part of the team since his freshman year.

AT boys basketball Head Coach and social studies Department Chair Brendan Lyons said Novak is "a stand-out student-athlete."

"Novak embodies what it means to be a student-athlete," he said. "With the effort he puts forth in both the classroom and on the basketball court, he serves as a role model for all members of the basketball program."

Also playing volleyball his freshman and sophomore years, Novak was brought up to the varsity team during his sophomore year. He has been a member of Key Club, National Honor Society, Student Council, Academic Team, Psychology Club, Lettermen's Club and DECA. Last year, Novak competed in the DECA International Career Development

Conference in the Sports and Entertainment Marketing Operations Research division.

Serving as a teen assistant for a class of eighth-graders in the St. Philip the Apostle Religious Education Program, Novak helps future Addison Trail freshmen prepare for high school. He also has cultivated his leadership skills through the PE Leader program this year.

As Novak reflected on his four years at Addison Trail, he said his brother, AT alumnus Bret Novak Jr. (class of 2014) has been a significant influence on his success. He added that the Addison Trail teaching staff has been paramount to helping him accomplish his achievements.

Novak will soon begin his college applications and is looking to attend Marquette University, Indiana University, University of Michigan or University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He plans to pursue a career in dentistry or as a math teacher.

ATHS boys basketball to host 'Blazer Shooting Skills Camp'

ADDISON — On Oct. 19 and 20, the Addison Trail Boys Basketball Team will host its 9th Annual "Blazer Shooting Skills Camp" for boys in second through eighth grades. The camp will take place from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Addison Trail.

Early-bird registration (deadline of Oct. 15) costs \$20 a camper or \$35 for two members of the same family (for two days). Onsite registration costs \$30 a camper or \$50 for two members of the same family (for two days). One-day registration costs \$20 a camper. Participants will

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

The camp will feature instruction from the Addison Trail Boys Basketball coaching staff. Participants will learn and improve on basic shooting skills, and each camper will receive detailed instruction.

To register for the camp, visit dupage88.net/site/public/files/?item=2464 or contact

Head Coach Brendan Lyons at 630-458-4380 or blyons@dupage88.net.

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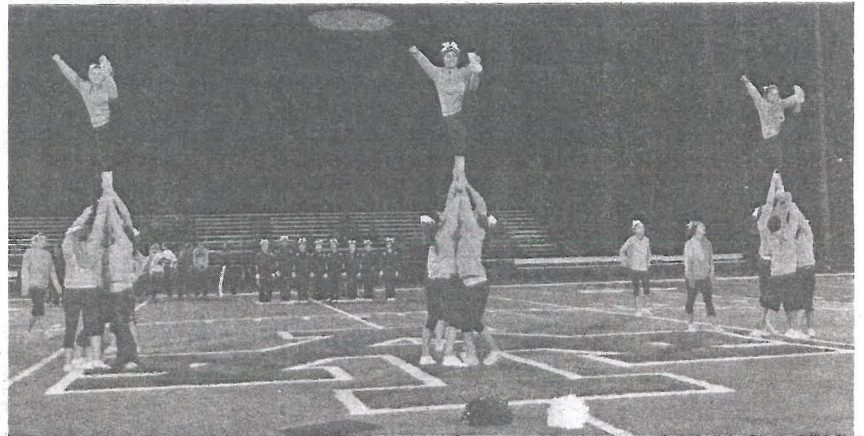
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District 88 gives back to community

District 88 students and staff frequently give back to their communities through a variety of volunteer projects and events. Pictured here are students helping out during the District 88 Feed My Starving Children Senior Service Project. Some of the benefits teenagers can gain from volunteering include: gaining new skills, adding to the résumé, giving time, showing responsibility and earning credits.

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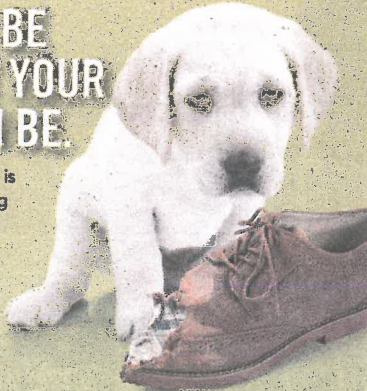
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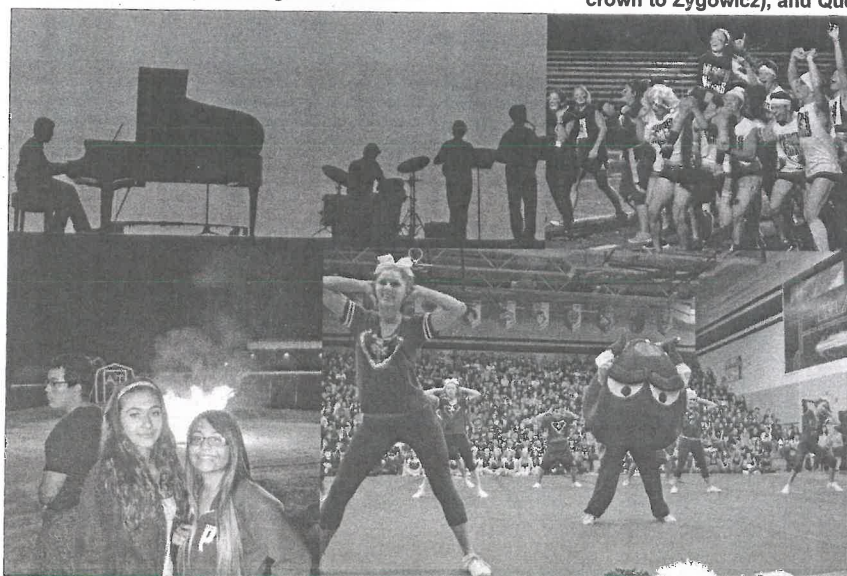


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AT crowns Homecoming Royalty

Pictured above are Addison Trail's Homecoming 2015 Attendants and Queen and King. (left): Freshmen Attendants Christina Baker and Kevin Catano. (right): Sophomore Attendants Walter McNally and Angelica Hernandez.

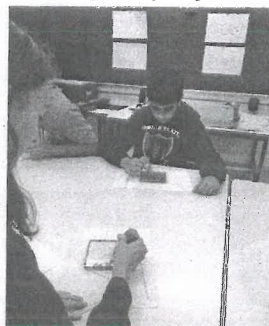
(left): Junior Attendants Chris Griffith and Kennedy O'Neill. (middle): Senior Attendants Sara DelaRosa and Chris Harris. (right): King, senior Ryan Zygowicz (Jorge Lopez-Castel gave the crown to Zygowicz), and Queen, senior Alliscn Russotto.



Addison Trail celebrated Homecoming Week from Sept. 21 to 26. (top left): Fourteen acts perform during the school's annual Homecoming Variety Show on Sept. 21. (top right): Addison Trail senior Maria Koulageorgas gets a celebratory lift from her classmates after helping the seniors win over the juniors during the Homecoming Powder-Puff Game on Sept. 23. (bottom left): Students enjoy a bonfire after the Homecoming Powder-Puff Game on Sept. 23. (bottom right): Addison Trail's mascot "Bucky the Blazer" joins the Addison Trail Cheerleaders to show school spirit during the Homecoming Pep Assembly on Sept. 25. To see more photos, visit tinyurl.com/pauga3b.

ITJH students paint on glass at Arts Alive!

ADDISON — Led by members of the Addison Center for the Arts (ACA), Arts Alive recently showcased to Indian Trail Junior High students several kinds of art, which are not part of their regular curriculum. Here, ACA member Irene Boutzarelos gives a lesson in painting on glass.



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Indian Trail students like this girl had to keep a steady hand while painting on glass. It was one of the activities of Arts Alive, held recently at the junior high school.

This Indian Trail student proudly shows off the final result of his adventure in painting on glass. It was an art activity typically not offered at ITJH, but it comes to the school every year as part of Arts Alive, sponsored by the Addison Center for the Arts.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, Oct. 8

Addison Art Guild to meet

At 7:30 p.m. at the Addison Village Hall in room 1301A & B, the Addison Art Guild will hold its regular meeting, featuring an oil pastels demonstration by Sally Sharp. Guests are welcome. Sally was raised in De Kalb, growing up around Northern Illinois University (NIU) where she took classes as a youngster. Sally holds a BFA from Western Illinois University.

While raising family, she painted many murals and faux finishes for businesses and Private homes. She is member of the DuPage Art League, Naperville Art League, and the Yellow House Artists.

Saturday, Oct. 10

Foot Golf Competition

From 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., the Addison Park District will host the Fall Foot Golf Cup at 950 W. Lake St. in Addison. For more information such as fees, call 630-543-4100 or visit addisonadvantage.org/link/parks

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 joyous retelling of the parables of Jesus from the Gospel of Matthew, featuring

ing 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.

Wednesday, Oct. 21

Addison Chamber

Economic Forecast Breakfast

An Economic Forecast

Breakfast, presented by Oxford

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Chamber of Commerce and

featuring economist Dr. Robert

Genetski, will be held at Alta

Villa Banquets, 430 N. Addison Road. Registration opens

at 7:30 a.m., with a hot buffet breakfast served at the same time. Dr. Genetski's program begins at 8:15. Fee: \$25 per person for members, \$30 for non-members. Reservations required by Oct. 9. Make reservations by email at addisonchamber@sbcglobal.net. Info: call 630-543-4300. The chamber's fax number is: 630-543-4355.

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.

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SPORTS

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Willowbrook football team scores road win against Morton

By Mike Miasma
Correspondent

The Willowbrook football team did it on the road again.

The Warriors won their third road game of the year, this time a 38-31 triumph over Morton in a West Suburban Conference Gold Division contest in Berwyn.

The win moved Willowbrook to 3-3 overall and 2-1 in WSC Gold action.

The Warriors return home Friday at 7:30 p.m. to face Proviso East (1-5) in another WSC Gold game.

Willowbrook girls volleyball

The Willowbrook girls volleyball team won 25-14, 26-24 over Morton in a West Suburban Conference Gold Division contest.

Danielle McNamara had six kills and one block. Grace

Chantos had one ace and one dig. Olivia Pennebaker had 13 kills, one ace and four digs. Maya Bullock had three kills and one block. Maddie Weinhold had 14 assists and one dig. Emily Ligocki had 12 assists. Jamie Chiappetta had six kills, one ace and five digs. Kalyn Konrath had three kills, while Milena Sogura had one kill. Kelly Conley had one assist and three digs. Willowbrook improved to 2-2 in WSC Gold play.

In a 25-17, 20-25, 25-12 loss to Glenbard East in non-conference play, McNamara had

eight kills and one dig. Chantos had one kill, one ace and two digs. Pennebaker had four kills and 11 digs. Bullock had three kills and one block. Weinhold had one kill, 13 assists and six digs. Ligocki had seven assists and three digs. Chiappetta had seven kills and five digs. Konrath had three kills. Conley had one ace, one assist and 11 digs. Willowbrook dropped to 10-10 overall.

Willowbrook boys cross country

The Willowbrook boys cross-country team is dealing with some slight injuries head-

ing into the home portion of the season. "If anything we are a little banged up with some minor resting injuries," said Willowbrook coach TJ Artman. "We're looking forward to the conference meet (next week) at Downers Grove South."

Willowbrook girls golf

The Willowbrook girls golf team participated in the recent West Suburban Conference meet. "You will not find another group of young ladies who try hard, are persistent and enjoy the game as much as my girls," said Willowbrook coach Jim White.

Morris, O'Connell earn all-conference honors for Addison Trail boys golf Blazers football team loses to Hinsdale South

By Mike Miazga
Correspondent

The Addison Trail boys golf team placed fourth at the recent West Suburban Conference Gold Division meet.

Freshman Blaise Morris shot 87 and earned all-conference honors. Senior Charlie O'Connell shot 89 and also earned all-conference accolades.

Addison Trail football

The Addison Trail football team dropped a 42-14 West Suburban Conference Gold Division contest to Hinsdale South.

Addison Trail fell to 3-3 overall and 2-2 in WSC Gold play. Hinsdale South took sole possession of first place in the WSC Gold with the win. The Hornets are 4-2 and 3-1 in WSC Gold play.

The Blazers return to action Friday at 7:30 p.m. in Berwyn against Morton (1-5).

Addison Trail girls volleyball team enjoys four-match winning streak Blazers commit no hitting errors in win against Leyden

By Mike Miazga
Correspondent

The Addison Trail girls volleyball team put together a recent four-match winning streak.

The team's fourth win in a row came via a 25-11, 25-19 triumph over Leyden in West Suburban Conference Gold Division action. The Blazers had their streak snapped in a 25-20, 19-25, 25-22 non-conference loss to Wheaton-WarrenvilleSouth. Addison Trail was 12-8 overall and 2-1 in WSC Gold play through late last week.

In the win over Leyden, Anastasia Labadessa recorded one kill, 24 assists and three digs. Ciara Williams had 11 digs. Danielle Tulke had three digs. Jessica Mell finished with one ace, five kills and three digs. Keara Schmitt had two aces, three kills and four digs. Nicole Pudlo had two kills and one dig. Nina Muell had four aces, three kills and five digs. Sarah Petrbok had 12 kills and four digs.

Addison Trail made no hitting errors in the contest and hit at a .510 clip as a team (26 kills, no errors). The Blazers also had seven service aces.

"Serving pressure has been a bright spot for us throughout the season," said Addison Trail coach Dan Styler. "We make just shy of 90 percent of serves in bounds and average 9.3 aces per match."

Styler has seen the team's offensive attack move to the next level. "Our offense has improved since the beginning of the season," he said. "We have a balanced attack and are a difficult matchup for opponents. Within the last four matches we are averaging just shy of 30 kills per match and are hitting .257."

Labadessa has been a key cog for the Blazers at the setting position. "Anastasia has elevated her game within the last two weeks in her role as our setter," said Styler. "She has only played the

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— Dan Styler

Addison Trail coach

Fenton JV golf team finishes second at conference meet

By Mike Miazga
Correspondent

The Fenton junior-varsity golf team took second at the recent Metro Suburban Conference West Division tournament.

Sophomore Andrew Hill was the medalist. Freshman Marcus Astorga took second. Sophomore Brandon Koskiewicz was fourth and freshman Colin Norris placed 10th.

"Looking to the future we have a great group of sophomores and freshmen," said Fenton coach Rick Johnson. "The next couple years look promising."

Fenton football

The Fenton football team dropped a 19-8 Metro Suburban Conference West Division game to Aurora Central Catholic in Aurora.

The loss put Fenton at 2-4

overall and 0-2 in MSC West play.

Fenton returns to action Friday at home at 7:15 p.m. against Riverside-Brookfield (5-1).

Fenton girls cross country

The Fenton girls cross-country team is gearing up for the upcoming IHSA state series.

"We are starting to look toward postseason competition and the girls are working hard to position themselves to be one of the top seven runners on the team," Fenton coach Sarah McDougal said. "We are talking a lot about what our performance needs to be to advance through regionals and sectionals."

Fenton will compete in the Metro Suburban Conference West Division meet Oct. 17. The Bison will host a Class 2A regional on Saturday, Oct. 24.

position for a year and our offensive statistics are evidence she has grown tremendously since last year. Her court awareness, body control and decision making is improving on a daily basis."

Schmitt, Petrbok and Mell were cited for strong play as well. "Keara and Sarah continue to be our anchors at the antennas," said Styler. "Jessica has proven to be a difficult matchup for opposing teams in her role as a middle blocker," he said. "She was dominant in our match against Willowbrook. Jessica has figured out when to swing away and when to hit an off-speed shot to keep the opposing team out of rhythm defensively."

Styler is looking forward to the rest of the season. "We are confident our team will continue to compete at a high level," he said.

Through late last week Labadessa was leading the team with 40 service aces. Tulke had 37 and Petrbok had 36. The team totaled 186 service aces.

Petrbok was leading the team in kills with 170. Schmitt had 96, while Mell had 95. Nina Muell had 62.

Pudlo was tops in total blocks with 26. Petrbok and Mell each had 22. Labadessa had 455 assists, while Petrbok was tops in digs with 114. Labadessa had 94 and Nina Muell each had 69.

Addison Trail boys soccer team downs Willowbrook

Santiago scores game-winning goal in double overtime

By Mike Miazga
Correspondent

The Addison Trail boys soccer team ran its winning streak to six games in a row with recent wins over Willowbrook and York.

The Blazers were 11-3-2 overall and 3-1 in West Suburban Conference Gold Division play through late last week.

In the 1-0 double-overtime win over District 88 neighbor Willowbrook, Junior mid-

fielder Christian Santiago had the game-winning goal. It was Willowbrook's first conference loss of the season.

In a 3-1 win over York, sophomore forward Jonathan Hernandez had two goals, while Santiago scored the other. Tom Kania had an assist.

Through late last week, Cosme Garcia had seven shut-outs in goal and a goals-against average of 1.00.

Senior midfielder, Damian Zielinski had six goals and four assists. "Damian has been really consistent for us this season and has distributed the ball well for our team," said Addison Trail coach Ryan Dini.

Hernandez's recent goals upped his totals to seven goals and 11 assists. "Jonathan has really stepped up this season," said Dini.

In the two wins, Addison Trail allowed only one goal. "We are playing great team defense," said Dini. "Our leadership in the back has been essential to our success. If we are going to make a run in the playoffs we need to continue to shut out teams. Our offense is relatively young so we really have to work to score goals on the offensive end."

Addison Trail had allowed only three goals during a recent six-game stretch. "Three of

those games were conference games," Dini noted. "We've improved the most with our team defense. We have really focused on our midfield to help out with the defense and mark tightly when teams are in our defensive half of the field."

Another key player for the team has been junior defender Uriel Martinez. "Uriel has been our biggest leader on the team," said Dini. "He is always in the right place and takes pride in the defense. He is a three-year varsity starter but this is his first year as a defender for us."

Dini said team chemistry has played a major role in the team's progress. "We have a really good record this season and have battled hard to get to where we are. It hasn't been easy. We've had some key players step up and lead us to where we want to go. The team is

very close and has been gelling well. We have focused this year on mixing it up with our players to keep everything fresh. We spent a practice at Links and Tees and played foot golf. The players really enjoyed this and Links and Tees was very accommodating to us to allow for this to happen. We brought 40 players there to participate."

Addison Trail played at Leyden in a WSC Gold game earlier this week. The Blazers face Downers Grove South on the road Oct. 13 and then play defending state champion Hinsdale Central two days later in Hinsdale.

"All three of these teams (Leyden, Downers South and Hinsdale Central) are in the Top 25," said Dini. "It will be really interesting to see how we match up against some very tough competition."

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DUPAGE COUNTY -
WHEATON, ILLINOIS
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
PLAINTIFF
Vs.
Luz Romero, as Administrator of the Estate of Martha Worley; et. al.
DEFENDANTS

2015 CH 00312
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF
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Week 7 Preview Addison Trail (3-3, 2-2) at Morton (1-5, 1-2) When: Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Where: Morton High School, Berwyn
Last week: Hinsdale South 42,
Addison Trail 14;
Willowbrook 38, Morton 31
Last year: Addison Trail 40,
Morton 14

Outlook: Addison Trail finds itself in the same boat as District 88 neighbor Willowbrook. The Blazers need two wins in the final three weeks to become playoff eligible and find themselves one game behind conference leader Hinsdale South with two conference games to play (Addison Trail plays a WSC crossover in Week 9). Morton's only win of the season came against Proviso East.

Week 7 Preview Proviso East (1-5, 0-3) at Willowbrook (3-3, 2-1) When: Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Where: Willowbrook High School,
Villa Park
Last week: Proviso East 20, Proviso
West 0; Willowbrook 38, Morton 31
Last year: Willowbrook 35,
Proviso East 14

Outlook: Willowbrook is very much in the hunt for both a playoff berth and the West Suburban Gold title. The Warriors trail frontrunner Hinsdale South by a half game. Willowbrook needs two wins in their final three games to become playoff eligible and three wins to earn an automatic playoff berth. Proviso East got into the win column last week against neighbor Proviso West. Willowbrook is looking for its first home win of the season.

Sutton helps preserve IC win against RB

SUBURBAN LIFE MEDIA

RIVERSIDE – Matt Sutton was busy against Riverside Brookfield.

The IC Catholic junior picked off two passes within 10 seconds, the latter atoning for an IC fumble, as the Knights held on for a 15-7 win against Riverside Brookfield on Oct. 2.

The Bulldogs trailed 15-7 and were driving when Sutton came up with his first interception of RB quarterback Ryan Swift. IC (5-1 overall, 2-0 Metro Suburban West) immediately turned the ball over, but Sutton got the ball back with another interception on the

Week 7 matchup

- **WHO:** IC at Wheaton Academy
- **WHEN:** 7:15 p.m. Oct. 9
- **WHERE:** 900 Prince Crossing Road, West Chicago
- **RECORDS:** IC 5-1 (2-0 MSW), WA 4-2 (0-2)
- **OUTLOOK:** A win in the Metro Suburban West game would seal a playoff

berth for the Knights, so they will have all the motivation they need. The Warriors have lost two straight and are seemingly vulnerable against the run as they yielded 321 rushing yards and seven touchdowns to Glenbard South running back Sean Cooke in a 55-14 loss Oct. 3.

next play from scrimmage.

The sequence of turnovers came after RB gained 21 yards on a fourth-

and-7 play to keep the drive alive.

Sutton also had an impact on the other side of the ball as he caught two

passes, including a touchdown.

IC running back Jordan Rowell was mostly held in check on the ground, gaining 79 yards on 21 carries, but he made his presence felt in the passing game as he hauled in four passes for 81 yards and a touchdown.

Luke Ricobene passed for 181 yards and two touchdowns, and also rushed for 14 yards.

Defensively, Jim Kenneally tallied 12 tackles, including one for loss, while Anthony Silva and Kemon Reese each had 10 tackles. Kenneally had two sacks and Robert Vittek had one. Jose Rodriguez had an interception.

PREP ROUNDUP

York boys golfers romp at regional tournament

SUBURBAN LIFE MEDIA

Will Gunst was the medalist as he led York's boys golf team to the title at the Class 3A Lake Park regional tournament Oct. 6.

Gunst shot a 71 to lead the way, and the next four scores on the leaderboard belonged to the Dukes. Jordan Less carded a 73, Tom Manning had a 74, Mitchell Russell scored a 76 and Mark Leali tied for fifth with a 78.

Frank Wheatland scored an 86 as the Dukes had a 294 to win the team title by 30 strokes.

The next stop for the Dukes is the Conant sectional Oct. 12.

Addison Trail

The Blazers were just shy of earning a team berth to the sectional tournament, but had four players move on from the Lake Park regional. Blaise Morris (82), Jacob Bartkiewicz (87), Georgie Neri (88) and Santino Bilatta

(89) all moved on to the Conant sectional tournament Oct. 12.

IC Catholic

The Knights finished second at the Class 1A Seneca regional Oct. 6 to punch their ticket to the Byron sectional on Oct. 12. Connon Leahy (73), Charlie Schoonveld (83), John Hoffman (85) and Jack Ricobene (86) contributed to IC's 327 score. Trey Morris and Troy Simonides also played.

Timothy Christian

Jimmy Brush scored an 87 to move on from the Class 2A St. Patrick regional tournament to the Nazareth sectional Oct. 12.

GIRLS GOLF

York

The Dukes had three players move on from the Wheaton Academy regional tournament to the Oak Park-River

Forest sectional tournament on Oct. 12.

Ellen Foley (78), Christine Millins (92) and Jenny Diamond (92) all earned at-large bids for York, which finished fifth as a team with a score of 357.

Addison Trail

Sara Gagliano shot a 93 at the Wheaton Academy regional to qualify for the Oak Park-River Forest sectional tournament Oct. 12.

IC Catholic

Maddie Hurt fired a 71 to win the Queen of Peace regional tournament on Oct. 7. The junior was three strokes clear of the nearest competition as she qualified for the Nazareth sectional tournament Oct. 12.

FOOTBALL

Addison Trail

Nick D'Ambrose had a 3-yard touchdown run and Bobby Daniels had a 17-

yard touchdown pass, but the Blazers fell 42-14 against Hinsdale South on Oct. 2. Mike Hundley had 137 yards rushing for AT (3-3 overall, 2-2 West Suburban Gold).

GIRLS TENNIS


York

Lauren Fonorow won 6-1, 6-1 at No. 3 singles for the Dukes' lone victory in a 7-1 loss against Benet on Oct. 5.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

IC Catholic

The Knights battled back from a Game 1 loss to defeat Aurora Central Catholic 23-25, 25-14, 25-17 on Oct. 6. Tess Reardon had 13 kills, 11 digs and 15 assists as the Knights improved to 14-7 overall and 5-3 in the Metro Suburban Conference. Claudia Koch (13 kills, 10 digs), Katie Hendricks (five kills, two blocks) and Kerry Mulligan (13 digs, two aces) also were key contributors.



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How do you encourage a child to practice a musical instrument?



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Children need to practice music enough to find "joy of the instrument," experts say

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An infamous chapter in Keilman family lore came when I was a disgruntled trumpet player in the junior high school band. My parents had forced me to take up an instrument and constantly badgered me to practice, but one day, I figured out a way to beat the system.

I shut my bedroom door and played a few songs into an audio recorder, then rewound the tape and played it back at high volume as I read comic books. I did this several times, proud of my cunning, but after about 20 minutes my mom burst into the room with an annoyed look on her face.

"How did you know?" I recall asking.

"You kept making the same mistakes over and over," she said.

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My trumpet-playing days thankfully ended when I moved on from junior high, but I must say I was happy when my daughter recently decided to start viola lessons. They're part of her elementary school music program, so I want her to do well, but most of all I want her to enjoy music more than I did.

She got off to a promising start, sawing away in the living room, in the yard and in the back seat of my car. But lately she has shown the same disinclination to practice I had. I've had to nag her a few times, and the lessons have just begun.

This leaves me in a difficult position. As I well know, it takes plenty of practice to achieve proficiency with any instrument. The notoriously strict Amy Chua, author of "Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother," put it this way in her book:

"What Chinese parents understand is that nothing is fun until you're good at it. To get good at anything you have to work, and children on their own never want to work, which is why it is crucial to override their preferences."

On the other hand, you can't harass a child into loving something — Chua revealed in her book that after years of browbeating, one of her daughters abandoned high-level violin training — and without that love, I am convinced, true artistry can never be achieved.

So what to do?

Luckily for me, this is a familiar dilemma for music teachers, and they have plenty of experience in dealing with it. Their first piece of advice is to relax.

"It's important for parents to realize it's not a race," said Brayer Teague, chairman of the fine arts department at Downers Grove North High School. "Sometimes parents and kids think they should improve faster than is realistic. In a video game driven society where kids can get good at things fast, something like a musical instrument takes longer."

He said consistent but brief rounds of practice, even as short as 10 minutes for young children, will produce good results. For kids who are part of an orchestra or band, parents can appeal to their sense of team spirit.

"You can say, 'We know this isn't the most enjoyable aspect of being a musician, but it's really important for you to practice so you can contribute to the team in a really great way,' " Teague said.

Mark Corey, band director at Addison Trail High School and president of the Illinois Music Education Association, suggested a little psychological subterfuge.

"Try not to tell your kids to practice, but ask them to play something for you," he said.

"Naturally, they'll run through it before they come play it for you. Then, suddenly, they're practicing without you using the 'practice' word."

He said music practice should be interspersed through a child's homework assignments rather than left for the end, so he or she won't be worn out when it's time to pick up the instrument.

But no matter what gimmicks parents use, he said, moms and dads should understand that conflict is inevitable: The important thing is to get through it.

"If you can't control an instrument enough to make expressive music that other people enjoy listening to, it's a challenge to want to go on," he said. "To get there, you need a certain skill set. The challenge for the parent is to find a way to get that daily skill building in, just playing enough so they can get to that point where they really do enjoy it.

"Once they find the joy of the instrument, from then on, it's pretty smooth sailing."

I never got to that point, but I hope my daughter will. To help her along the way, I'm going to take the teachers' advice and encourage her to have fun while still employing a touch of the Tiger Mom. Oh, and one last thing:

I'm going to make sure she has no audio recorders in her practice space. I've already retired that trick.

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