

# Warriors complete their regular season

## Willowbrook defeats Addison Trail in a conference dual meet

The Willowbrook boys golf team played its annual Ryder Cup quad with Addison Trail, Morton and Glenbard North at The Preserve at Oak Meadows in Addison on Sept. 14. The Warriors finished second to Glenbard North in the team standings of the event. A Willowbrook duo delivered a first-place effort in the competition, which featured three two-player teams from each school.

Glenbard North won the team title at the Ryder Cup quad with its score of 109. The Warriors landed in second place with their total of 112. Addison Trail (114) claimed third, while Morton (138) finished fourth.

Willowbrook's tandem of senior Victor Voskresenski and junior Austin Coppersmith delivered the best score of all of the duos in the event. All of those duos played a two-man scramble. Voskresenski and Coppersmith teamed up to shoot a 4-under-par score of 32 over nine holes.

The Warriors and Addison Trail squared off in Saturday's 18-hole dual meet at Prairie Bluff Public Golf Club in Crest Hill. The contest included the West Suburban Gold Conference dual meet between Willowbrook and the Blazers. The front nine holes counted toward the conference dual meet. Willowbrook pre-

vailed in that dual meet with its score of 178. Addison Trail posted a team score of 181.

Senior Carson Stefani delivered the Warriors' best nine-hole score in Saturday's dual meet with his total of 41. Junior Trent Kovacs fired a 44 for Willowbrook. Coppersmith contributed a 46, while junior T.J. Radomski carded a 47 to complete the Warriors' team total of 178.

Willowbrook played in its conference meet earlier this week at Prairie Bluff Golf Club. The Warriors will play in an IHSA Class 3A regional at St. Andrews Golf and Country Club in West Chicago on Sept. 27.

## Teeing off

Glenbard East's girls golf team faced Willowbrook and Glenbard South in separate dual meets last week. The Rams defeated Willowbrook 219-256 in a meet at Glenbard East's home venue—Glendale Lakes Golf Club—on Sept. 12. Two days later, Glenbard South beat Glenbard East 201-227 in an Upstate Eight Conference dual meet at the Raiders' home venue—Lombard Golf Course. Freshman Lily Penfield fired Glenbard East's best nine-hole score—a 47—in last week's win over Willowbrook. Junior Jessica Rivas of the Rams shot a 55 in the Sept. 12 meet, while seniors Payton Hayes and Sophie Chan shot scores of 58 and 59, respectively. Chan delivered Glenbard East's best nine-hole score—a 54—in the Sept. 14 meet against Glenbard South. Rivas and Hayes both posted scores of 56, while senior Meg Schaub shot a 61. Penfield is pictured during last week's meet against the Raiders. Earlier this week, the Rams competed in the Upstate Eight Conference Meet at St. Andrews Golf and Country Club in West Chicago.



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## Rams beat the Blazers

Glenbard East's girls volleyball team improved its overall season record to 9-7 with last week's 25-12, 25-21 non-conference win over Addison Trail in Lombard. Senior Sophia Sommesel hit 10 kills and made five digs for the Rams in their Sept. 13 win over the Blazers. Senior Hannah Meyer provided 14 assists and four digs for Glenbard East. Senior Lauren Bradley (pictured above left while keeping the ball in play with her back to the net) supplied five digs, while se-



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nior Livia Robbins had five digs and three aces. Freshman Belle McDermott added three kills and three digs for the Rams. Senior Stephany Sulari had two digs and two blocks. The Rams continued their season by winning two of four matches and placing fifth in Glenbard West's 12-team tournament, which ended on Saturday. Meyer handed out 109 assists and made 24 digs in the Rams' four matches at the event. Sommesel piled up 73 kills and 35 digs during the tournament, while Bradley added 66 digs. Robbins made 23 digs and served six aces during the competition at Glenbard West. Junior Grace Johnson delivered 10 kills and 16 digs, while senior Emma Iwaniszyk (No. 4, pictured above right during last week's win over Addison Trail) contributed eight kills, six blocks and six digs for the Rams. Senior Gabby Walton had nine kills and seven blocks, while junior Harmonie Hallman hit seven kills and made nine blocks. Glenbard East's season continues with this week's matches against East Aurora and Lake Park.

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play from Benet's 36-yard line with less than one minute left in the game. Carbonara dropped back and threw a long pass toward Florio, who made the catch at the goal line for a 36-yard touchdown reception with about 30 seconds on the clock. The game-clinching score ignited a huge celebration from Montini's spirited student section.

"He's a big-time playmaker," said Bukovsky of Florio. "He works so hard. He is all heart."

The late touchdown that sealed

the Broncos' victory was a carb copy of the scoring pass that Carbonara completed to Florio earlier in the fourth quarter.

Carbonara completed nine of 2 passes for 211 yards and two touchdowns during Friday's game. He threw a pair of interceptions.

Florio made four receptions for 130 yards and two touchdowns. Senior Alex Marre rushed 20 times for 61 yards for the Broncos. He also made one reception for 25 yards.



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Montini Catholic's football team rallied from a 10-0 halftime deficit to beat Benet Academy 21-10 on Friday night in Lombard. The Broncos improved their overall season record to 4-0 with the victory. Montini junior Santino Florio made four receptions for 130 yards and two touchdowns during Friday's game. Florio (No. 1 - above left) is pictured during his 49-yard reception in the third quarter. Florio was tackled just short of the goal line on the play. Montini scored its first touchdown of the night a few plays later on a run by junior Nick Irion. Florio caught two touchdown passes from junior quarterback Gaetano Carbonara during the fourth quarter. Carbonara (No. 4 - above right) is pictured while launching a 36-yard touchdown pass to Florio with less than one minute to play. "It's amazing, it really is," said Carbonara of the team's 4-0 start. "It shows what hard work and determination can get." He noted that Montini has posted 3-6 records in each of the last two seasons, and that he and his teammates are eager to play post-season football. The Broncos haven't qualified for the playoffs since 2019, so none of the team's current players have played in an IHSA post-season contest.

# Warriors maintain perfect record

## Team improves to 16-0 with wins over Morton and Montini Catholic

The Willowbrook girls volleyball team moved its overall season record to 16-0 with a pair of convincing wins last week. The Warriors defeated Morton 25-11, 25-8 in a West Suburban Gold Conference match in Villa Park on Sept. 12. Willowbrook completed its week with a 25-11, 25-15 non-conference victory at Montini Catholic in Lombard on Sept. 14.

Senior Calli Kenny contributed five kills, 10 assists, six digs and four aces for the Warriors in last week's win over Morton. Junior Hannah Kenny provided three kills, 12 assists, five digs and five aces in the victory, which lifted Willowbrook's confer-

ence record to 2-0.

Senior Elisa Chivilo supplied 13 digs and two assists in the Warriors' win over Morton. Junior Anna Marinier delivered five kills and two digs, while senior Elle Bruschuk tallied three kills, three aces and two digs. Junior Lily Javier and senior Eliza Ramey hit four and three kills, respectively.

Calli Kenny bashed eight kills, handed out 10 assists and made eight digs for Willowbrook in last week's win at Montini Catholic. Hannah Kenny produced five kills, 15 assists, eight digs and two aces in the win over the Broncos, whose season re-

cord dropped to 3-11. Marinier added six kills, four digs and three aces.

Chivilo contributed 10 digs and three assists. Javier had four kills and three digs, while Bruschuk provided three kills and two digs. Ramey connected for three kills. Senior Keri Ostrowski made four digs.

The Warriors played the match at Montini in front of a large contingent of Willowbrook supporters that made the short trip to Lombard to watch their team extend its winning streak.

The Warriors' season continued with a conference home match against Downers Grove South that took place earlier this week.

# Warriors lose 28-21 at Downers Grove South

*Mustangs deliver the go-ahead touchdown late in the fourth quarter; Willowbrook plays its homecoming game this Friday*

The Willowbrook football team dropped to 2-2 overall and 1-1 in the West Suburban Gold Conference following Friday's 28-21 loss at Downers Grove South.

The Warriors will play their homecoming game this Friday. They will face Hinsdale South (2-2 overall, 2-0 in the conference) in a conference matchup in Villa Park. The Hornets opened their West Suburban Gold Conference schedule with shutout wins over Leyden and Addison Trail. Hinsdale South beat the Blazers 24-0 on Friday in Darien.

One year ago, Downers Grove South defeated Willowbrook 28-13 in the fourth week of the regular season. That contest turned out to be the decisive game in the conference standings. The Mustangs finished the 2022 season with a perfect 6-0 conference mark, while Willowbrook posted a 5-1 record.

Downers Grove South moved to 1-3 overall and 1-0 in the conference with Friday's win over the Warriors. The Mustangs opened their season with non-conference losses to three tough opponents—Wheaton North, Downers Grove North and York. Wheaton North holds a 3-1 record, while Downers Grove North and York are both 4-0.

The Mustangs received the opening kickoff of Friday's game and drove 80-yards for a touchdown.

They ended the drive with an 8-yard run into the end zone and made the extra-point kick to take a 7-0 lead.

Willowbrook evened the score early in the second quarter. When the Mustangs couldn't cleanly execute a snap on a punt play, and the Warriors took possession at Downers Grove South's 5-yard line. Moments later, senior quarterback Arthur Palicki of the Warriors delivered a 6-yard touchdown run. Junior Brandon Lopez added the extra-point kick to tie the score at 7-7 with about 11 minutes left in the first half.

The Mustangs delivered a long return on the ensuing kickoff, bringing the ball to the Warriors' 26-yard line. Moments later, Downers Grove South scored on a 17-yard touchdown run. The conversion kick failed, leaving the Mustangs with a 13-7 lead with about nine minutes remaining in the opening half.

Junior Martin Anfinson of the Warriors intercepted a Downers Grove South pass later in the second quarter. The Mustangs then intercepted a Willowbrook pass in the closing minutes of the quarter. Downers Grove South held a 13-7 halftime lead.

The Mustangs fumbled a Willowbrook punt in the third quarter. Senior Alex Perez of the Warriors recovered the ball at Downers Grove South's 26-yard line. The Warriors' ensuing

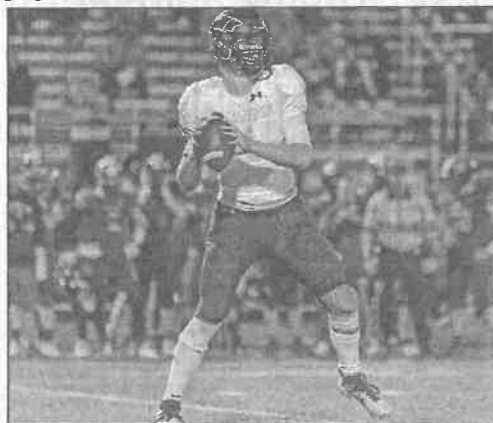
drive included a fourth-down completion from Palicki to senior Carter Ferguson. Palicki finished the drive with a 1-yard touchdown run. Lopez made the extra-point kick to give the Warriors a 14-13 lead with about five minutes to play in the third quarter.

Downers Grove South blocked a Willowbrook punt early in the fourth quarter. The Mustangs took possession of the ball at the Warriors' 2-yard line. Downers Grove South then scored on a 1-yard touchdown run. The Mustangs added a two-point conversion run to boost their lead to 21-14 with about 10 minutes left in the fourth quarter.

Willowbrook battled back to tie the score with about eight minutes to play. Palicki fired a 14-yard touchdown pass to junior Charlie Siegler, and Lopez made the extra-point kick to even the score at 21-21.

The Mustangs drove 58 yards for a touchdown on their next drive. They scored on a 1-yard touchdown run and added the extra-point kick to grab a 28-21 lead with 1:22 to play.

Palicki and Ferguson connected for two completions on the Warriors' final drive. A 22-yard catch by Ferguson put the Warriors at the Mustangs' 36-yard line. Willowbrook advanced the ball to the Mustangs' 18-yard line before the drive ended on an incomplete pass on a fourth-down play with less than five seconds remaining.



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Senior quarterback Arthur Palicki (No. 1) of the Willowbrook football team is pictured during Friday's West Suburban Gold Conference game at Downers Grove South. Palicki ran for two touchdowns and threw a touchdown pass to junior Charlie Siegler during the contest. Downers Grove South defeated the Warriors 28-21. Willowbrook dropped to 2-2 overall and 1-1 in conference play. The Mustangs moved to 1-3 overall and 1-0 in the conference. Downers Grove South won the 2022 West Suburban Gold Conference title with a 6-0 record. Willowbrook finished second in the conference standings with a 5-1 record. The Warriors will play their homecoming game this Friday. They will face conference rival Hinsdale South. The game will begin at 8 p.m.

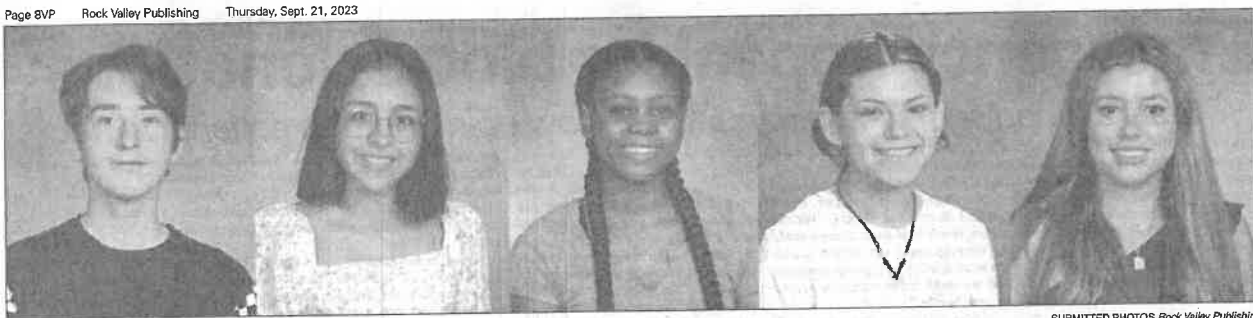


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## A big win for the Warriors

Willowbrook's flag football team improved its 2023 season record to 2-0 with Saturday's 52-0 victory over Streamwood in Villa Park. Sophomore quarterback Marli Smrz (No. 6 - above left) of the Warriors is pictured during a long touchdown run in the second half. Another photo from Saturday's game shows Willowbrook freshman Lillian Macias (No. 4 - above middle) returning an interception for a touchdown in the

second half. One more photo shows senior Emma Anderlik (No. 1 - above right) of the Warriors, who received the player of the game award. Anderlik and Smrz are the captains of this year's team. Willowbrook won the state championship during its inaugural 2022 season. The Warriors will play their homecoming game this Friday in Villa Park. Willowbrook will face Dundee-Crown in the contest, which will begin at 6:30 p.m.



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## Willowbrook students receive academic honors

Five Willowbrook High School students have earned academic honors from the College Board National Recognition Programs. These academic honors for rural-area, Black, Indigenous and/or Latino students are an opportunity for students to share their strong academic achievements with colleges/universities and scholarship programs that are seeking to recruit diverse talent. The honored students (pictured left to right) are: junior Omar Arenas, junior Margaret Brennan, junior Naomi Campbell, senior Analise Espinosa and junior Ella Lopez. The eligibility requirements for the honors include having a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher and identifying as African American/Black, Hispanic American/Latino or Indigenous/Native.

## Police Reports

The Villa Park Police Department recently reported the following arrests and citations. Readers are reminded that an arrest does not constitute a conviction, and that suspects are considered innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law. Persons charged with domestic battery are not named in order to protect the privacy of victims. Juveniles age 17 or younger are not named.

**Sept. 9**  
Darryl White, 57, of Lombard, was charged with disorderly conduct/ breach of peace at a bar in the 300 block of E. Kenilworth at 11:54 p.m.

**Sept. 8**  
Police said Michael P. Bardesi, 34, of Villa Park, was arrested on an original complaint and warrant in the 400 block of S. Riverside on the above date for an alleged incident that occurred Aug. 26.  
Jemone R. Knykendoll, 24; Latonia L. Gipson, 50; and Kali D. Moody, 27, all of Chicago, were charged with retail theft/possessing displayed merchandise not exceeding \$300.  
A complainant at a store in the 1-100 block of E. North reported that a suspect removed multiple bottles of alcohol from display shelves and left the store without paying for items.

**Sept. 7**  
Police said Brian Arciniega Godinez, 30, of Villa Park, had an in-judisdiction warrant near W. Elm and N. Westmore at 6:56 p.m.

Police said Cesar M. Lerma, 53, of Glen Ellyn, was arrested on two failure to appear warrants out of DuPage County in the 1-100 block of N. Ardmore at 3:30 p.m.

A complainant in the 200 block of W. Division reported that an unknown suspect entered their home through an unsecured window and removed their motorized medical scooter.

**Sept. 6**  
Rodolfo Dominguez Gomez, 28, of Chicago, was charged with attempted unauthorized possession of a vehicle title, front windshield obstruction, operating a vehicle with a foreign dealer plates to/from Illinois without being her for repairs, improper use of registration/title, no valid driver's license and no insurance near N. Villa and E. North at 4:57 a.m.

A complainant at a pharmacy in the 200 block of E. Roosevelt reported that an unknown suspect removed two bottles of lotion from the display shelf and left the store without paying.

**Sept. 5**  
Giovanni Vergara, 24, of Villa Park, was charged with disorderly conduct-breach of peace at a store in the 300 block of E. St. Charles at 8:16 p.m.

A complainant at a business in the 100 block of E. North reported that an unknown suspect broke the driver-side window of a vehicle that was parked in the lot.

**Sept. 4**  
Rafael Cielo-Tecuatl, 34, of Clarendon Hills, was charged with DUI near S. Route 83 and Riverside at 1:11 a.m.  
Police said Yovani Cortez, 22, of Franklin Park, was arrested on a failure to appear warrant out of DuPage County in the 300 block of N. Ardmore at 2:54 a.m.

A 22-year-old Addison woman was charged with two counts of domestic battery in the 300 block of N. Ardmore at 2:54 a.m.

**Sept. 3**  
A victim at a bar in the 200 block of E. Kenilworth reported at 1:08 a.m. that a suspect punched them in the face. The victim does not want to press charges. The subject was trespassing from the bar.

An officer observed a vehicle parked in the parking lot of a business in the

100 block of E. North at 8:45 a.m. with the driver-side window broken.

A complainant at a store in the 1-100 block of W. North reported that an unknown suspect removed a baby stroller from the display shelf and left the store without paying.

A complainant at a store in the 900 block of S. Route 83 reported that an

unknown suspect removed a television and left the store without paying.

### Fraud, identity theft

According to information provided by the Villa Park Police Department, police reported one incident of residents being a victim of fraud or identity theft.

## Bond set at \$50,000 for Cook County man charged with retail theft from Oak Brook Macy's

### Accused is currently out on bond for theft at Oak Brook Neiman Marcus

DuPage County State's Attorney Robert Berlin and Oak Brook Chief of Police Brian Strockis have announced that bond has been set for a Cook County man accused of stealing approximately \$456 worth of merchandise from the Macy's department store located at 1 Oakbrook Center in Oak Brook.



Myles Dabney

Myles Dabney, 25, of Maywood, appeared at a bond hearing where Judge Joshua Dieden set bond at \$50,000 with 10 percent to apply.

Dabney is charged with one count of retail theft, Class 3 felony. On June 3, Dabney appeared at a bond hearing facing retail theft charges for allegedly stealing merchandise from the Oak Brook Neiman Marcus store. His bond was set at \$5,000 with 10 percent to apply on that case.

He was released from custody later that day after posting the necessary 10 percent, or \$500.

On Sept. 13, at approximately 3:30 p.m., officers with the Oak Brook Police Department received information regarding an individual, later identified as Dabney, suspected of stealing items from the Macy's department store.

It is alleged that prior to the officers' arrival, Dabney entered the store wearing a backpack, selected various clothing items and went into a fitting room. It is alleged that several minutes later Dabney left the fitting room and

exited the store without making any purchases. Oak Brook police officers were waiting for Dabney as he exited the store and attempted to stop him.

It is alleged that Dabney fled from the officers on foot through traffic on Route 83. With officers in pursuit, it is alleged that Dabney jumped onto the back of a semi truck, but officers were able to pull him from the truck and place him under arrest. During the brief foot pursuit, Dabney allegedly removed his hoodie, shirt and backpack, which allegedly contained nine items of clothing stolen from Macy's.

"The Oak Brook Police Department continues their outstanding work in apprehending anyone who thinks they can outsmart or outrun the law," Berlin said. "Because of their pro-active efforts, my office has filed charges against four individuals this week, two of whom are juveniles, for allegedly stealing merchandise from the Oak Brook Mall."

"Sooner or later, retail offenders will realize that there are much easier targets than Oak Brook and DuPage County to commit their crimes," Strockis said. "Our Village Board invests heavily in technology and pro-active policing efforts and our officers are motivated and producing by making significant arrests and sending a strong message to those that think they can come here and not be chased and apprehended. I want to thank all of our officers for the team effort they continue to display."

Dabney is scheduled for arraignment on Oct. 2 in front of Judge Michael Reidy.

## Public survey to shape future of forest preserves

Residents asked to share feedback to help identify future priorities and projects

The Forest Preserve District of DuPage County invites DuPage residents to participate in a confidential survey designed to gather valuable insight into community needs and preferences.

The endeavor aims to foster a deeper understanding of the issues that matter most to residents to enhance services the Forest Preserve District provides.

Serving nearly 1 million county residents, the Forest Preserve District recognizes that the input of its constituents—whether they're frequent visitors to the forest preserves or have yet to discover them—is invaluable in shaping its future endeavors. All opinions will be evaluated equally in gathering insight into how the Forest Preserve

District can best serve DuPage County.

The short survey, which is a combination of rating and open-ended questions, covers a range of topics about amenities and infrastructure, conservation efforts, educational programming, accessibility and inclusivity, and preferred communication methods. It also asks questions designed to gauge residents' feelings about the Forest Preserve District's tax levy and other possible revenue streams as well as land acquisition opportunities.

Participation is easy and should take less than 15 minutes. In the coming days, approximately 900 randomly selected households will receive either a paper survey or a link to a site where they can fill

it out online. In late October, the survey will be posted on the district's website, [dupageforest.org](http://dupageforest.org), and open to everyone interested in sharing their thoughts.

"We encourage all residents to take a few minutes to help guide the future of our forest preserves," said Jessica Ortega, manager of Strategic Plans & Initiatives. "We regularly conduct public outreach when planning forest preserve projects, and the feedback is always instrumental in shaping the district's priorities."

For information, call 630-933-7200 or visit [dupageforest.org](http://dupageforest.org), where you can also link to the district's e-newsletter and Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, and TikTok pages.