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# Recognition for their efforts

Recently the District 88 Board of Education recognized members of the Addison Trail and Willowbrook 2013 classes for winning a Golden Achievement Award from the National Public Relations Association. Addison Trail teacher Sheri D'Ambrose (from left) was honored for the Hurricane Sandy Relief Dance. Nick Baumann of Willowbrook, Alex Glowacki of Addison Trail and Victoria Phillips of Willowbrook represented their classmates who participated in a Feed My Starving Children Senior Service Project.

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Addison Trail's Matt Gontarek passes the ball during a 7-on-7 game against York earlier this summer.

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## Different feel for preseason football practices

By DAN SANTAROMITA

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Fall sports officially began practicing on Wednesday, but football teams are being forced to work a little bit differently starting this year.

New practice rules set by the IHSA have altered the way coaching staffs are allowed to operate summer practices that take place before school hours return.

Some schools, like York, IC Catholic and Montini, shifted to normal practice hours this week as the start of the football preseason coincided with school starting, so the limitations on early practices only had a minimal impact. Others will be limited for a little more than a week.

The two topics that most coaches brought up were that three-hour practices put an emphasis on efficiency, and

that prohibiting teams from tackling until closer to the first game could cause problems.

"You really have to plan your practices to hit all three areas," Montini coach Chris Andriano said. "In the preseason that's hard to do. We're going to have to be very organized and very smart."

Andriano used to have Montini run separate practices for offense, defense and special teams. He believes the limited practice time will impact special teams the most.

York coach Steve Nye mentioned that most of the base offensive and defensive concepts were worked on during summer practices. It's the blitz packages and other more intricate things that will get worked on now. The limited practice time and tackling time makes that tougher.

It also makes it tougher on the younger levels, where play-

ers are still learning the basics of tackling.

"I think it's really difficult for freshmen to be able to get a team prepared to play in two and a half weeks when they really can't hit until 10 days before the first game," Nye said. "They haven't really done any tackling. You want to teach them the proper way and the proper technique, but it proves to be pretty difficult. In order to learn how to tackle you have to tackle."

The general consensus among coaches was that no one argued with the concept behind the new rules. Safety is the priority. However, the complaints came in smaller nit-picks over how the changes were implemented.

"You're going to find out what happens because of the limited contact and practice time," Glenbard East coach John Walters said. "It's going

### IHSA football practice guidelines

With its preseason football acclimatization practice period, the IHSA has set specific guidelines for football practices through Aug. 27.

- Aug. 14-15: 3 hour limit, helmet only
- Aug. 16-17: 3 hour limit, helmet and shoulder pads
- Aug. 19: 3 hour limit, helmet and shoulder pads
- Aug. 20: 5 hour limit, full pads
- Aug. 21: 3 hour limit, full pads
- Aug. 22: 5 hour limit, full pads
- Aug. 23: 3 hour limit, full pads
- Aug. 24: 5 hour limit, full pads
- Aug. 26: 5 hour limit, full pads
- Aug. 27: 3 hour limit, full pads

**Note:** A one hour walk-through is also allowed each day, though players can't be wearing protective equipment or do any running activities. There must be two hours of rest between all practices and walk-throughs, and no single practice can exceed three hours. Teams are not allowed to practice Sundays during the preseason.

to be a trial and error thing, but player safety is of the utmost concern. If this is going to eliminate potential dehydration

and heat exhaustion, I'm all for it. It's one of those things where you're going to have to take a wait and see stance."

# D'Ambrose delivers for Penguins

## AT grad guides turnaround for Youngstown State volleyball

By DAN SANTAROMITA  
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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio – After playing for a powerhouse volleyball club and a competitive high school program, Casey D'Ambrose experienced something new during her first two years at Youngstown State: losing.

The Penguins went 2-27 during D'Ambrose's freshman season and were 5-24 the year after. The Addison Trail grad is a product of the prestigious Sports Performance club and was used to winning in her youth volleyball career.

Last year things got much better for the Penguins. They went 15-14, the best season the program had in 13 years, and D'Ambrose was right at the heart of it as the team's setter.

"When I first got to campus they weren't really any expectations," D'Ambrose said. "I think it's just a really different mindset. Now everybody wants the same thing. We have the same goal and we have a great support system."

"When I committed here it was a rebuilding year. We've just been rebuilding the program for the past four years and it's been a great experience."

D'Ambrose was the only player on the team to play in all 112 sets last year and with a year to go has the seventh-most career assists in the program's history with 1,699. She played as a defensive specialist as a freshman and took over as starting setter as a sophomore.

Coach Mark Hardaway helped guide the Penguins' improvement last year in his first year in charge. That team had just one senior so D'Ambrose's expectations are even higher this season.

"I think we have a really strong team right now," D'Ambrose said. "We have all of our starters coming back. We have a very large senior class and we bonded so well. I think last year we just came out and were ready to make a change."

The change has lifted spir-

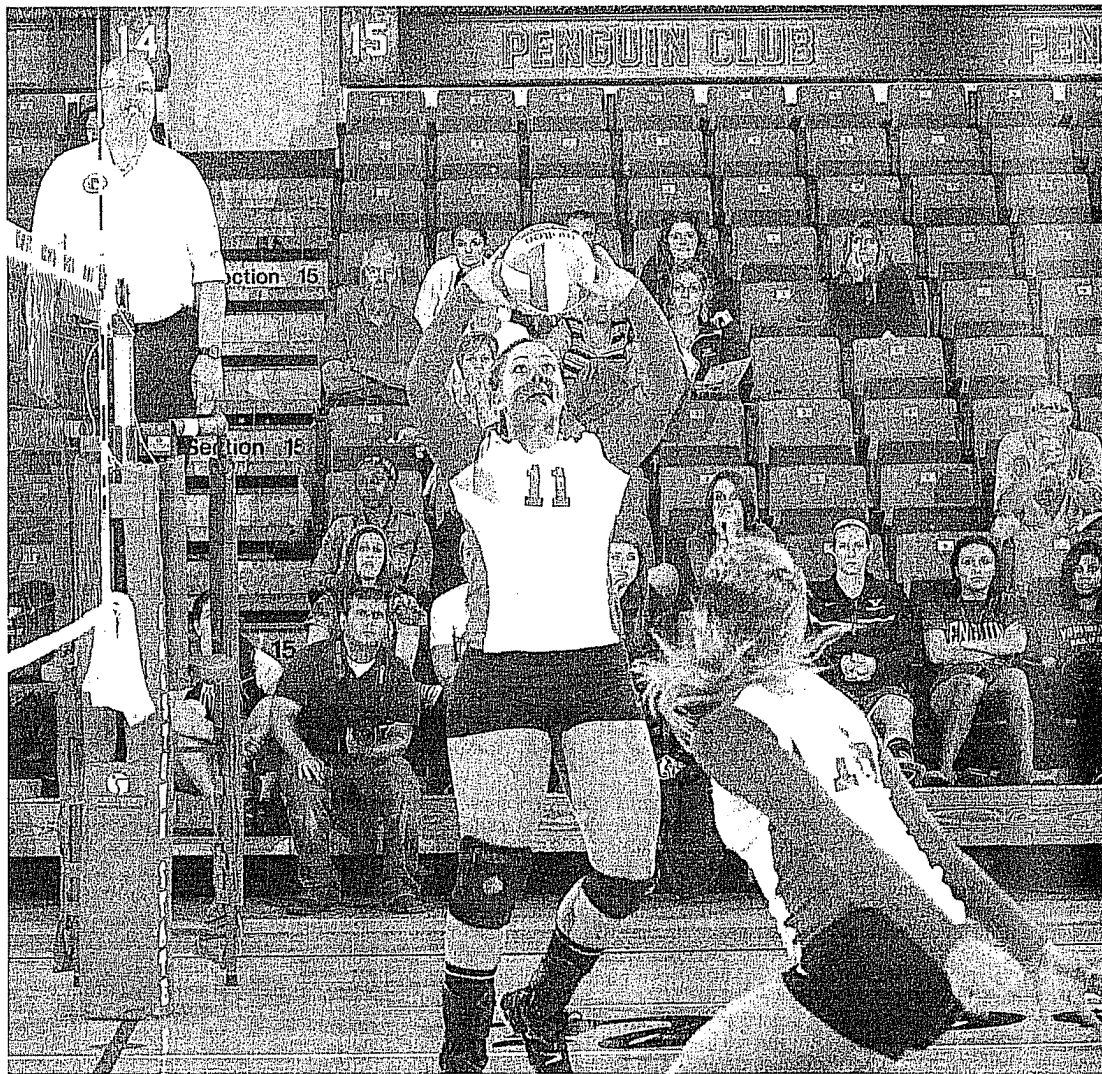


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Casey D'Ambrose looks to continue Youngstown State's turnaround during her senior season this fall.

### Casey D'Ambrose's 2012 stats

Assists: 736 (team-high)  
Aces: 23 (team-high)  
Kills: 23

its throughout the program and D'Ambrose has emerged as one of the leaders of the

team. As the starting setter, D'Ambrose has to keep the team organized and on task. She revels in the responsibility.

"I love being able to run the offense," D'Ambrose said. "I love being able to trick the other team with the plays we run. It's a really cool experience with how we run the court."

The senior setter, who

stayed on campus in the summer to train, started volleyball at a young age and said she didn't have much choice of position once she realized she wouldn't be tall enough to be a hitter. The 5-foot-9 D'Ambrose has grown into the position ever since.

Being a setter allowed her to share an extra connection with her older sister, Dani,

who played at Northern Illinois. When Casey was a freshman at Addison Trail she was able to set Dani, who was a senior hitter that year. For all of Casey's volleyball accomplishments, that still ranks highly.

"I loved being able to play with my sister," she said. "I started on varsity as a freshman and I was able to set Dani."



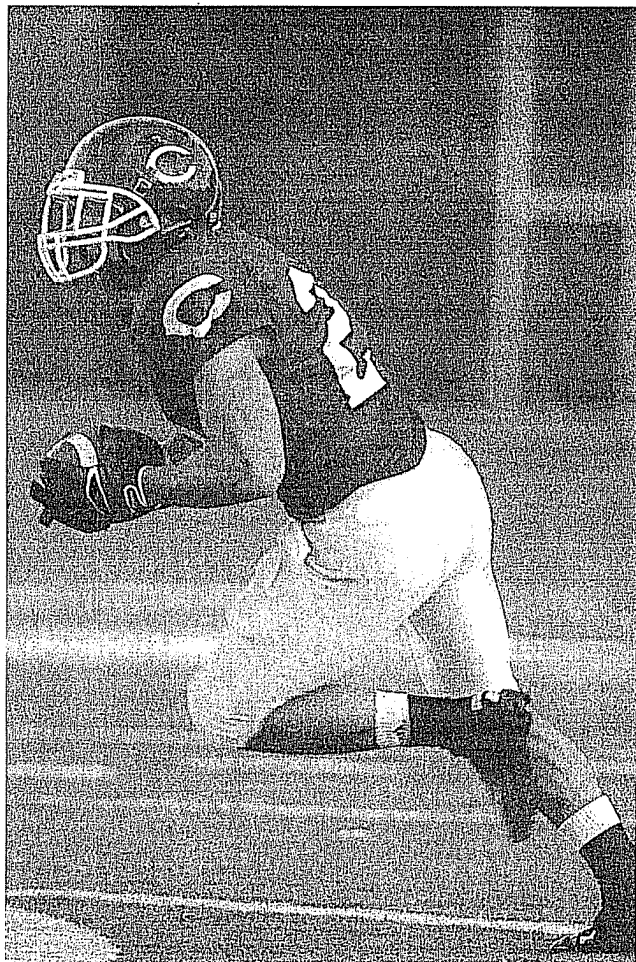


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Heading into his sophomore season, Vincent Beltrano will be looking to build on his fantastic freshman campaign at the University of Chicago.

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### Standout rookie Beltrano back for more

After winning University Athletics Association Rookie of the Year, University of Chicago cornerback Vincent Beltrano (Addison Trail) will have high expectations this fall as a sophomore. Beltrano picked off a team-high three passes, made 44 tackles and forced a fumble, and was named second team All-UAA.

### Blazing to college soccer

Four Addison Trail graduates are looking to find time as freshmen on college soccer teams. Jorge Leyva and Edwin Regalado will continue their careers at Concordia. On the women's side, Tonia Parisi

will be a redshirt freshman at Morehead State and Devin Fruzyina will be looking to debut for Aurora University.

### Midfield regular

A year after earning a consistent spot in the Benedictine starting lineup, Julio Lopez (Addison Trail) will be one of the leaders for the Benedictine University men's soccer. Lopez played in all 17 matches for the Eagles as a junior midfielder last year. He started 13 matches with one goal and two assists.

### Star scorer

Carmelo DiFranco (Addison Trail) was an efficient scorer for Dominican men's soccer last season. DiFranco didn't

start any matches but appeared 11 times as a substitute, and managed to score six goals and create four assists. The Stars had a fantastic season with an 18-3-1 record and a Northern Athletic Conference title. DiFranco, now a junior, will hope to prove he can consistently score as a starter as well.

### From Blazers to Vikings

A pair of Addison Trail graduates are continuing their athletic careers at Augustana. Jose Martinez will be a sophomore cross country runner. Martinez ran in four races as a freshman. Katie Keller will be a junior middle blocker for the Vikings' women's volleyball team. In her first two years on campus Keller

has seen regular playing time and will be looking to become a key contributor this season.

### CCIW runners

Four Willowbrook grads return as runners for College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin cross country teams this fall. Isaac Trostle (Lombard) will be a senior at Augustana. Elizabeth Lundine (Villa Park), who was 22nd in the CCIW meet, heads into her junior year with the Vikings. David Schouson (Lombard) will be a sophomore at Elmhurst College and Rachel Gibson (Lombard) will be a senior for the Bluejays.

### Pioneering Bulldog

Brendan Shannon (Montini,

Lombard) will have a lot to build on this fall after producing a breakout season for Butler football last year. As a junior wide receiver he hauled in team-highs in receptions (62), receiving yards (864) and touchdown receptions (8). His accomplishments earned him both Academic All-Pioneer League Second Team and All-Pioneer League Second Team. Shannon, a redshirt senior, plays on the Bulldogs with fellow Montini grads Zach Taylor, a redshirt sophomore offensive lineman from Clarendon Hills, and Matthew Kersten, a redshirt sophomore kicker from Naperville.

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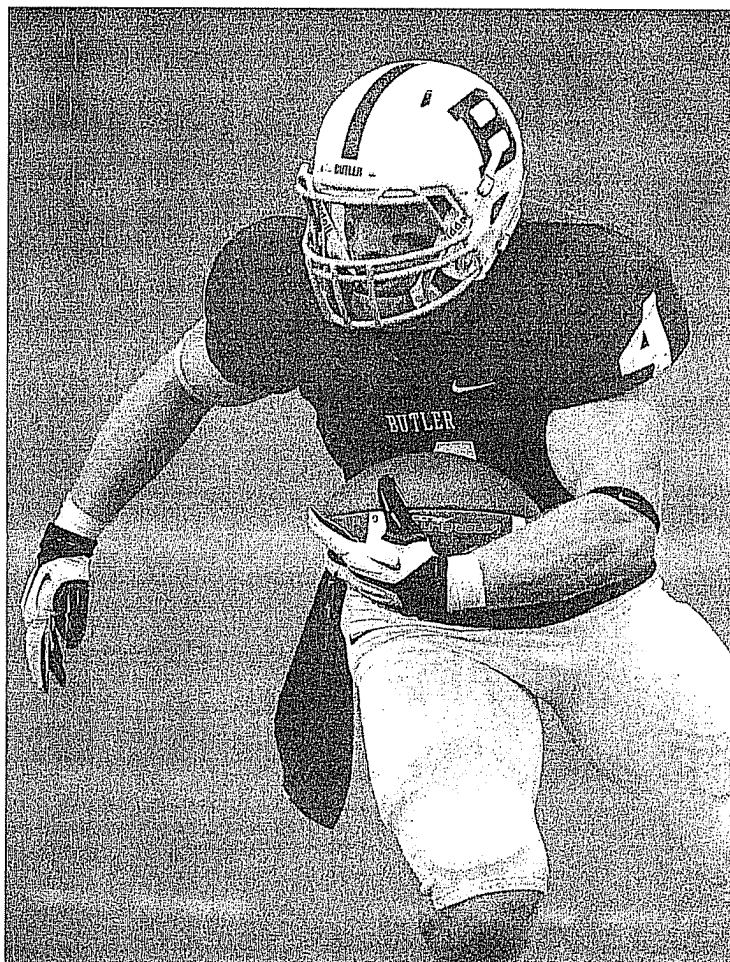


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Brendan Shannon was Butler's top receiver last season and will look to replicate that showing as a senior this fall.

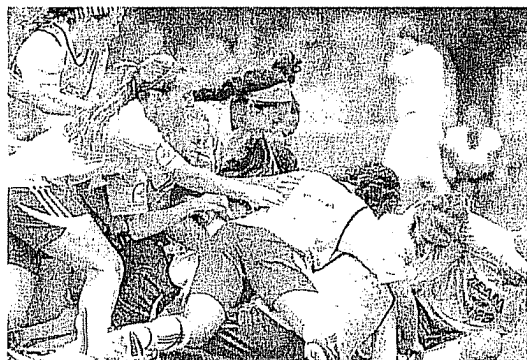


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Members of the 18U Team Chicago Botafogo girls soccer team celebrate the U.S. Youth Soccer National Championship they won July 28.

## Local trio helps Chicago soccer to national title

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OVERLAND PARK, Kan. – The 18U Team Chicago Botafogo girls soccer team won the U.S. Youth Soccer National Championship at the Overland Park Soccer Complex on Sunday, July 28.

Recent local high school graduates Bryce Banuelos (York), Dana Miller (Wheaton Warrenville South) and Danielle Pitaro (Glenbard South) and incoming junior Alexis Jakuszewski (Wheaton Warrenville South) were part of the star-studded 19-player roster made up of Chicago-area standouts.

Team Chicago beat Virginia Soccer Association Heat Blue 2-1 in overtime in the final. Naperville North graduate Zoe

Swift, who starred on the Huskies' two state championship teams in 2012 and 2013, scored both goals for Team Chicago in the win.

Banuelos, who will play for West Virginia this fall, was named to the all-tournament team. Alyssa Kovatchis, a teammate of Banuelos during the spring high school season, was named to the all-tournament team at the 16U level for Naperville Soccer Association Jaguars.

The tournament win concluded a 29-1-2 season for the Team Chicago girls. According to the club's website, they also won an MRL Premier Division Championship, a National League Championship, a Regional Championship and now a U18 National Championship.

# Simpson takes reigns of Glenbard East softball

By DAN SANTAROMITA  
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## Number to know

167: games Nikki Simpson played in for Illinois over her four-year career

LOMBARD – Glenbard East has named Nikki Simpson as its new head varsity softball coach.

Simpson is a 2008 graduate of Glenbard South and was one of three captains on a Raiders squad that placed third in Class 3A that year. The Wheaton resident continued her playing career at the University of Illinois, where she played all four years and earned a starting

job in right field during her senior year.

"I just want to say thank you to Glenbard East for this opportunity," Simpson said. "I'm really excited and hopefully I can change things around. I just want the girls to look up to me as a role model and a mentor and understand

I want them to be successful on and off the field."

As a senior in high school she was named second team all-state by the Illinois Coaches Association and was a two-time all-conference selection in the Western Sun Conference.

Simpson, who is baseball Hall of Famer Billy Williams' granddaughter, graduated from Illinois in 2012. She majored in health education.

She takes over for Val Pinzker, who led the Rams to a 9-19 record this spring.



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The 16U DuPage Dynamite were comprised of: (bottom row, from left) Amanda Peters, Emma Trapani, Steph Sieja, Sam Miller, (top row) Rachel Giordano, Shayln Cherniavskyj, Taylor Jones, coach Vito Mangialardi, Sam Cepeda, Lexie Matrasko, Elisa King. Additional team members not pictured were: Karli Galichio, Rachael Galichio, Lindsay Reichl, and coaches Lara Mangialardi and Alyssa Johnson.

## Dynamite go out with bang in final tourney

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The 16U DuPage Dynamite took second place at the Summer Scorchers tournament in Hoffman Estates on July 21.

The Dynamite battled its way to the No. 2 seed in the playoffs and was dominant in

the playoffs getting to the championship game. The championship game was a back-and-forth battle with the Illinois Basha, with the Bash winning 9-7.

The Dynamite feature players that attend York High School, Willowbrook, Wheaton Warrenville South, Lake Park,

Glenbard East and IC Catholic Prep.

The Summer Scorchers tournament wrapped up the Dynamite's inaugural season and the team will be holding tryouts in August for the 16U and 18U teams, and possibly at additional age levels.



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# Successful summer season for Addison Trail boys basketball team

## Blazers won 21 games and made plenty of progress

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

The summer time can be a busy stretch for high school student-athletes who play multiple sports.

Addison Trail boys basketball coach Brendan Lyons was pleased with how his team dealt with the multi-sport aspect.

"We were able to get most of

our guys here this summer," he said. "We have a lot of multi-sport guys. We're dealing with the same thing everybody else does in the summer. I was pleased that we were able to get a consistent group here almost all the time and we stayed healthy."

The Blazers finished the summer slate with a 21-12 mark. Addison Trail played much of its summer schedule at home and

also competed in the Willowbrook shootout.

"We played a lot of good competition," said Lyons. "We had some of the better teams in the Chicago area here. On any given night, there were good teams here. I was happy with our effort. We competed with most of the teams we played. All in all, I was pleased. We kind of tweaked some things offensively we plan on doing. That was new for the guys and they were able to pick things up quickly."

Lyons continues to be pleased with the team's shooting ability.

"When we played well we shot well from the 3-point line," he said. "I anticipate that being a big part of what we do. We're moving ahead. We have to keep finding ways of putting the ball in the basket even when we're not shooting well. When we haven't shot well, that's put us at a huge disadvantage. This summer we picked up some new stuff and were able to find some rhythm while we were working on things."

Lyons liked the fact his team accomplished a lot in a short period of time.

"We only had 12 camp days and the emphasis was on the offense," he said. "I was happy with the consistency with the exception of one set of games. We won some games and we were in games with people. Game in and game out we gave ourselves a chance to win and that's good to see. I kind of expected this with the guys we have returning. We have guys who have seen a lot of time with us."

James Pupillo, Joe Kurucar and Ronald Dooling all had strong summers.

"This is James' fourth year on the varsity and Joe started 17 games for us last year," said

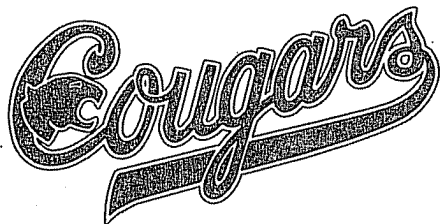
Lyons. "One of the nice surprises is Ronald Dooling. He came off the bench last year. He had a great summer. I'm looking forward to seeing what he can do. Those three guys were a consistent threat from the perimeter."

Simon Jakubczak, Taylor White and Joe Villaseñor also played well in the summer.

"It's nice to win games, but I really liked the vibe we had," said Lyons. "Hopefully it carries over into the season."

Lyons knows his team will be tested this season.

"Our schedule doesn't do us any favors," he said. "Our non-conference schedule is as good as it has been since I've been here. We'll be tested night in and night out. I'd rather have that schedule with a team I know can compete at that level. We have guys returning who can compete. We'll find out where we are at early on."



## Elmhurst Cougars Baseball & Softball Club Tryouts

The Cougars, Elmhurst's original travel baseball and softball club, will be holding tryouts for 2014 full-time travel teams on:

Wednesday, July 31st: Boys 9U

Saturday, August 3rd: Boys 10U-13U,  
Girls 10U, 12U and 14U

Sunday, August 4th: Boys 14U

Saturday, August 10th: Girls 16U

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# Willowbrook's Case to play baseball at High Point University

*Senior-to-be will compete at Division I level*

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

Willowbrook pitcher TJ Case got a nice surprise during the college recruiting process.

Case, who recently committed to Division I High Point University in North Carolina, originally had no idea the school was interested in him.

"I went to a Team USA tryout and made the regional team," he explained. "That brought me to North Carolina for a tournament. High Point saw me there and saw me at another showcase event. I had no idea they were following my progress. They got in contact with me and said they had been following me and they liked what they saw and would like to get me out to the campus to become more familiar with the school. It was shocking. I had no idea that they were following me the whole time. You never know who is following you."

Case was impressed when he visited the school.

"The school campus is truly outstanding," he said. "The school keeps expanding. I read somewhere that the enrollment there has quadrupled in the last 10 years. A big thing for me was going in there and connecting with the people there and with the team. The school has small classes, which I like. If I need help, I know I can go get it. There is so much to do on campus. Everything there was a good fit for me."

Case is thrilled to have the opportunity to play at the Division I level.

"They play in the Big South Conference," said Case. "I had talked to some other schools like Western Illinois and Eastern Illinois and Murray State and Morehead State and Ole Miss and then all of a sudden High Point comes out of nowhere. I started looking into the school and it was rated No. 1 in the south for academics and was rated as the No. 1 up-and-coming school."

Case plans on studying rehab and physical therapy. He would like to do his graduate work in physical therapy. Case noted the school is in the process of completing its graduate school.


Case also likes the fact he's headed to a baseball hotbed.

"It's all very exciting," he said.

"I wanted to go south with it and North Carolina and South Carolina are two big baseball states. My coaches, Vic Wisner (Willowbrook), TJ Nall (summer with the Illinois Indians), Nelson Gord (Indians) and Ryan Cope-land (Indians) really helped me along the way. They helped me get to the point I am at today. I'm very fortunate that I'm going to be able to play college baseball."

Case is happy to have his college decision out of the way.

"It will be a lot of fun playing my senior year at Willowbrook without the stress of having to find a school," he said. "I'm looking forward to my senior year. The team we have is looking good."



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Tryouts for the 2014 Elmhurst Explosion Full-time Travel Baseball Teams will be held the weekend of August 2-4 at Plunkett Park (186 S. West Avenue, Elmhurst) at the following times:

|     |                    |                |                       |
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| 11U | Friday, August 2   | 7:00 - 9:00 pm | (check-in at 6:45 pm) |
| 12U | Saturday, August 3 | 5:30 - 7:30 pm | (check in at 5:15 pm) |
| 13U | Saturday, August 3 | 7:45 - 9:45 pm | (check in at 7:30 pm) |
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# Business Ledger honors County CFO

## Fred Backfield named CFO of the Year by Daily Herald publication

WHEATON — DuPage County's Chief Financial Officer Fred Backfield was honored last week as CFO of the Year by the Daily Herald Business Ledger.

DuPage County Chairman Dan Cronin served as the keynote speaker for the second annual event that recognizes outstanding financial officers in the public and private sec-

tors. Cronin said Backfield's conservative approach has been instrumental in sustaining the County through the recent recession.

"With Fred's assistance, the County has realized millions of dollars in taxpayer savings through a variety of shared service initiatives, reforms and old-fashioned responsible budgeting practices," he said. "Revenue forecasts are built conservatively with diligent economic and legislative research. At the same time, expenditures are allocated fairly and effectively to ensure taxpayers receive the highest value in public service from their county government."

Prior to joining DuPage County in 2003, Backfield had

a record of identifying efficiencies and improving operations through 16 years with the State of Illinois Bureau of the Budget and Department of Public Aid.

Through Backfield's leadership, the County has:

- Received a Triple-A credit rating from all three major rating agencies — Fitch Ratings, Moody's Investors Service in addition to Standard and Poor's Ratings Service;

- Saved taxpayers millions of dollars through personnel and employee benefits changes; and
- Improved transparency and accountability in the budget process by making DuPage finances readily available to residents, which has resulted in numerous awards.

According to the Business Ledger, the mission of the CFO Awards is to honor top financial executives who contribute to the success of our region's economic growth and stability. Backfield was honored in the government category.

In a story published in February of 2012, the Chicago Sun-Times quoted Backfield as saying the economy was on the mend. Wrapping up Fiscal Year 2011, Backfield noted there was "more good news than bad."

"Expectations need to be managed," he said.

Backfield pointed out in that article that since 2003, the budget bottom line showed a \$169 million decrease in spending.



FRED BACKFIELD

## Conroy to host Public Safety Advisory Committee

VILLA PARK — State Rep. Deb Conroy is inviting residents to join her Public Safety Advisory Committee. The next meeting will be held on Monday, July 29 from 6-7 p.m. at her Constituent Services Office located at 28 S. Villa Ave. in Villa Park.

"This advisory committee will offer residents the opportunity to discuss how to improve public safety in our communities," Conroy said. "I'm hopeful that we can create a productive dialogue comprised of area residents, law enforcement, and community activists."

The Public Safety Advisory Committee is one of several advisory committees that Rep. Conroy will meet with this summer.

For more information to join a citizen advisory committee, please call (630) 415-3520 or send an e-mail to: RepDebConroy@gmail.com.

## District 88 issues reminder of residency verification

VILLA PARK/ADDISON — As summer break comes to a close, parents and guardians are reminded of the steps that must be completed to ensure your child is properly enrolled for the school year. District 88 has implemented more rigorous policies related to residency to ensure the district can maximize its resources for families who reside within District 88 boundaries.

The District is continuing the practice established in 2012 with regard to residency verification, and some changes have been made based on suggestions received from District 88 parents/guardians.

Residency verification must be completed before registering for the 2013-14 school year. Parents/guardians should have received a letter from Addison Trail or Willowbrook explaining the residency verification process. If you haven't completed the process, please do so as soon as possible. For the residency verification form, visit [tinurl.com/k7auto6](http://tinurl.com/k7auto6)

For more information, call Addison Trail at 630-628-3300 or Willowbrook at 630-530-3400.

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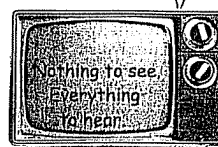
### John R. Prinke, 89

John R. Prinke, a former resident of Villa Park, passed away recently at the age of 89. Beloved husband of the late Lee for 63 years. Loving father of Scott (Marne) and Paul (Peggy) Prinke, dear grandfather of Kristen (Keith) Green, Amanda, Kelly and Michael Prinke, great grandfather of Kyle Jacob Green, fond brother of Amanda Prehn. John and Lee had been residents of Glen Ellyn since 1998, after raising their family in Villa Park since 1951. John was an Army Veteran of World War II. A memorial service will be held August 3, 2013, at 11 a.m. at Community Congregational Church, 410 S. Cornell, Villa Park. Interment private. Arrangements provided by Steuerle Funeral Home. Call (630) 832-4161 or visit [www.steuerlefh.com](http://www.steuerlefh.com) for more information.

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# ATHS Interact Club packs food for needy

On June 16, about eight Addison Trail students volunteered at Northern Illinois Food Pantry. The students are part of Addison Trail's INTERACT Club and spent the day packaging whole-wheat pasta. Addison Trail Community Liaison Marco Gasca and District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton also volunteered.



## Getting in on it...

District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton packed whole-wheat pasta along with Addison Trail INTERACT Club student members on June 16 at Northern Illinois Food Pantry.



all photos provided

## Helping those in need...

On July 16, these Addison Trail INTERACT Club students (l. to r.): Deanna Rodriguez, Luis Medina, Alexis Arellano and Kacper Mierzejewski helped out at Northern Illinois Food Pantry. They packed up whole-wheat pasta for the less-fortunate.



## Packing the pasta...

Addison Trail INTERACT Club students volunteered on June 16 at Northern Illinois Food Pantry. Pictured are (l. to r.): Alexis Arellano, Magdiel Juarez and Kacper Mierzejewski.

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# Willowbrook celebrates 7th annual Lauren Kiefer 5K Run

*This year's contribution of \$6000 brings Foundation to \$30,000*

VILLA PARK — On June 22, District 88 students, parents/guardians, staff members and community members put on their running shoes and joined the 7th Annual LM5K Run/Walk at Willowbrook.

The event takes place annually to remember Willowbrook alumna Lauren Kiefer, who was taken far too soon when she was murdered on Christmas Day of 2006.

More than 400 runners participated in the event, and more than 150 volunteers donated their time to ensure a smooth race. The 2013 run/walk raised \$6,000, bringing this year's grand total of money raised

by the Lauren Kiefer Memorial Foundation Inc. to about \$30,000.

"Race day was a beautiful, peaceful event, in spite of early-morning rain," said Jan Kiefer, Lauren's mother and one of the founders of the Lauren Kiefer Memorial Foundation Inc. "It also was incredible to watch 300 red balloons fly up to the sky while a friend of our family, Lisa Tyndall, sang Carrie Underwood's 'See You Again.'"

To see a video of the run/walk by TVVP Style, go to [tinyurl.com/q4pjuw8](http://tinyurl.com/q4pjuw8).

The foundation provides funds for local families and nonprofit groups, including York Center Food Pantry and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. The foundation also provides scholarships for Willowbrook seniors. This year's scholarship recipients were Dan Harris, Ashley Wedoff, Dan Rowland, Charles Okubo, Abigail Jarrell and Zac Prosek.

For more information, or



to make a donation, go to [www.rememberlaur.com](http://www.rememberlaur.com) or e-mail Jan Kiefer at [jkiefer@dupage88.net](mailto:jkiefer@dupage88.net).

Right: Members of the Willowbrook Poms Squad get ready to release 300 red balloons in honor of Willowbrook alumna Lauren Kiefer during the 7th Annual LM5K Run/Walk, which took place June 22 at Willowbrook.

Below: William Unseth, who will be a senior at Willowbrook this fall, runs in the 7th Annual LM5K Run/Walk at Willowbrook.



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## And they're off...

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Participants start the race at the 7th Annual LM5K Run/Walk June 22 at Willowbrook. The event takes place annually to remember Willowbrook alumna Lauren Kiefer, who was murdered on Christmas Day of 2006.



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# SPORTS

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## Addison Trail girls basketball team hard at work this summer *Blazers benefitting from team-first mindset*

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

Addison Trail girls basketball coach Rob Schader has a lot of the same on his summer roster. And that's a good thing for the Blazers.

"We have a lot of kids who can play," said Schader. "We have kids who are athletic and quick. We have 10 or 12 of the same type player."

Schader has been impressed with how the players have worked as a unit this summer.

"They work really hard together as a team," he said. "There are no cliques. Everybody is on the same page to play hard and to win. It's a good group that is athletic and quick."

Size will be one aspect of the

game Addison Trail will have to overcome.

"We do not have a lot of height," he said. "We've been struggling a little bit with scoring. We work on the offensive side of things on a daily basis. We're always working on shooting and building the girls' confidence. We'll keep working on shooting and working on layups."

Schader added the team is making good progress on defense.

"We've been changing things up a little bit on defense," he said. "They are starting to figure it out. It's been a little tough to rebound because of our size. Our tallest girl is 5-8."

Addison Trail hosted three shootouts at its field house and traveled to Purdue University

for a team camp. The Blazers also played in the Trinity summer league.

"The Trinity league is a high level league. There are a lot of good teams there," said Schader. "We've had to work hard."

Schader noted the team has been going to Purdue for the last seven years.

"Purdue has been very good for us," he said. "The coaching staff there is awesome. We enjoy it. It's a good time. There are a decent amount of teams there from our area, but there also are teams from Michigan and Ohio and teams from all over Illinois. It's nice to see different teams from different areas. When we were down there this year I don't think we played any teams from our area, which was nice."

Schader was pleased with the summer play of returning seniors Katie Dziabis, Bree Murray and Connie Barkoulis.

"All three of them are seniors and they all played last year," said Schader. "Those are three kids coming back who will help us a lot."

Addison Trail finished up play in the Trinity league recently.

"It's good that the girls have the time off before getting back to school," said Schader. "The summer has been good. The girls are working hard and we're seeing progress."

## Willowbrook boys basketball team hits court in earnest this summer *Warriors played bevy of games*

By Mike Miazga  
Correspondent

Don't ask Willowbrook boys basketball coach Chris Perkins what the team's record was this summer.

That's how busy the team was this summer.

"I don't keep track of that in the summer," said Perkins. "We played probably 50-plus games and most of the time we had teams playing at two different places at the same time. We had a lot of split squad games. We definitely won more than we lost."

Perkins saw advances on both sides of the ball this season.

"When we run our offense we look pretty good," said Perkins. "We're trying to change our offense. We stuck with three main plays in the summer

and didn't use the whole playbook. We used a man-to-man defense. We worked hard and focused on those main areas. We're getting better playing man-to-man defense. Help and recovery was one of our weak areas last year. We were getting beat. This summer we're making sure we're working on our help and recovery. We definitely got better with that. I thought we had better ball movement on offense and we utilized more people throughout the team on offense."

Perkins noticed additional advancements on offense.

"We were being more patient," he said. "We were looking to get more out of the possession and we were forcing the defense to work harder."

Overall, Perkins left the summer session with a positive feeling.

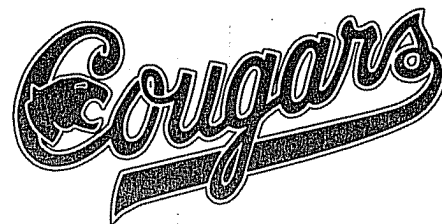
"We definitely got better," he said. "We will be an even better team than we were this past year."

One player Perkins was especially impressed with was incoming freshman Alonzo Verge.

"You will hear a lot about him in the future," said Perkins. "He was probably our leading scorer in the summer. He will definitely help us."

Perkins also cited strong play from the likes of Edvinas Mickevicius and Kyle Rushing. "Both of them stepped up," said Perkins.

Willowbrook hosted its own shootout this summer and also played in the Stagg shootout and at the UIC team camp.



### Elmhurst Cougars Baseball & Softball Club Tryouts

The Cougars, Elmhurst's original travel baseball and softball club, will be holding tryouts for 2014 full-time travel teams on:

Wednesday, July 31st: Boys 9U

Saturday, August 3rd: Boys 10U-13U,  
Girls 10U, 12U and 14U

Sunday, August 4th: Boys 14U

Saturday, August 10th: Girls 16U

Please visit [www.elmhurstcougars.net](http://www.elmhurstcougars.net) for locations and times by age-group and to register electronically.



# WBHS holds 54th commencement

On June 9, more than 500 students received their diplomas and graduated from Willowbrook during the school's 54th Commencement Ceremony.

Principal Dan Krause, District 88 Board of Education President Donna Craft Cain and class of 2013 graduation speakers Muzammil Ali, Victoria Phillips and Nick Bauhann offered words of encouragement and congratulations. Members of the Willowbrook choir performed during the ceremony as well.



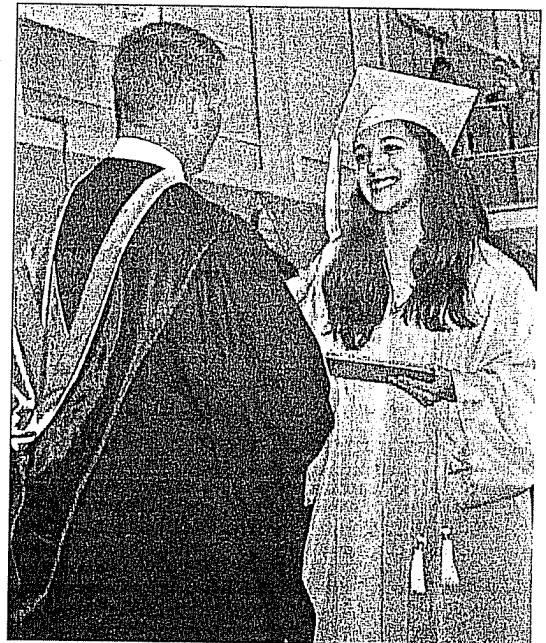
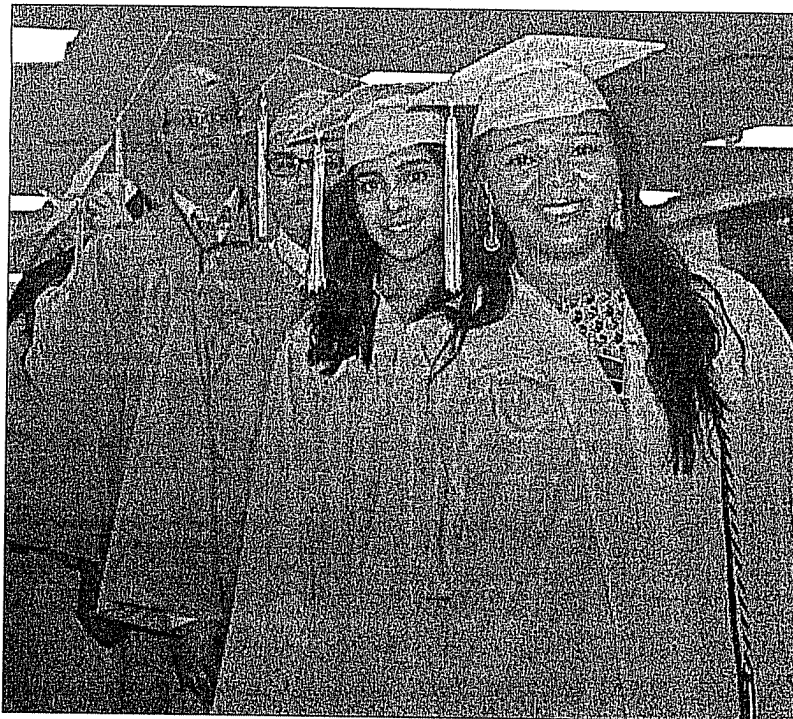
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## Willowbrook hosts 2013 Commencement Ceremony

Pictured are (from left) Willowbrook Principal Dan Krause, District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton, District 88 Assistant Superintendent Jean Barbanente, District 88 Board of Education member Thomas Edmier, District 88 Board of Education member Lisa Lullo, District 88 Board of Education Secretary Sharon Kucik, District 88 Board of Education President Donna Craft Cain, District 88 Board of Education member Mark Johnson and District 88 Board of Education member Tim Gillen.

## A big hug for Mom...

Left: Jeremy Kucik hugs his mother, District 88 Board of Education Secretary Sharon Kucik.



## Congratulations...

Above: Willowbrook Principal Dan Krause congratulates Sarah Noah on receiving her diploma.

## Queuing up for the procession...

Left: Willowbrook graduates line up to enter the auditorium. Pictured are (from l.) Ron Polvi, Braden Poapst, Olivia Pineda and Victoria Phillips.





courtesy photo

### Dist. 88 Board honors 2012-13 state, national qualifiers

During its June 10 meeting, the District 88 Board of Education honored Addison Trail and Willowbrook students, pictured here, who competed at the State and National levels in various academic, music and athletic groups during the 2012-13 school year. Students from FCCLA, BPA, SkillsUSA, ILMEA, Mock Trial, Econ Challenge, athletic teams and Special Olympics were recognized and congratulated for their accomplishments.

### Scenes from the Addison/Villa Park/Lombard Relay For Life

From Friday, June 14 at 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. on Saturday, June 15, the American Cancer Society Relay For Life event for Addison, Lombard and Villa Park took place at Four Seasons Park in Lombard. While its main objective is to raise money for cancer research and cancer patients, the Relay helps spread awareness, celebrate the lives of survivors, remember those who lost their battle, and unite a community in the fight against cancer.

As of June 12, just two days before the Relay, the totals were 126 registered participants, 26 teams and a total of \$39,773 raised.



### Words of inspiration...

Each Relay For Life begins with inspirational stories from cancer survivors like this one. The survivor lap always kicks off the annual fundraising event for the American Cancer Society.



all photos by Paul DeGuidice

### S for Survivor...

Above: This year, cancer survivors were given capes to wear during the Relay For Life. Luckily, there was no bad weather, so the capes didn't have to serve as umbrellas, too!

### Raising funds and awareness...

Left: The 'Scrap Cancer' team sold handmade art to help raise funds at Relay For Life: Artists included Emma Serata, 7, Grace Johnson, 6, Lauren Manning, 6, Madison Manning, 8, and Juli Paul, 9.



### Orthodontic UPDATE



by Dr. Jeffrey T. Boland  
& Dr. George C. Chipain  
Licensed Orthodontic Specialists

### BREATHING ABNORMALITIES

The majority of orthodontic problems are inherited, but there are also those that develop due to habitual behavior or medical problems. The most common habits are finger/thumb-sucking and tongue thrusting. On top of those habits, there is mouth breathing that results from enlarged tonsils/adenooids, a deviated septum, allergies, facial injuries, etc. The problem of mouth breathing is a particularly difficult one for children because its effects go beyond discomfort. For instance, habitual mouth breathing can give rise to an increased distance between the nose and chin, referred to as "long face syndrome," as well as a smile that reveals too much gum tissue. Once the underlying cause is addressed, the orthodontist may correct the resultant malocclusion.

The benefits of orthodontic treatment often go beyond the obvious physical changes of an improved bite and straighter teeth. It's also a great way to improve a person's overall self-image. While having beautiful straight teeth is important, even more important is the need to alleviate any potential health problems associated with the teeth or jaw. To schedule a free orthodontic consultation, please call our office. We understand that choosing to receive orthodontic care is a big decision, and we respect your reasons for wanting to improve the way you look and feel. Our practice will work with you every step of the way to make sure that your orthodontic care is as rewarding as possible. Straighter Smiles Are Our Specialty!

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