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## Willowbrook's prom royalty

About 400 students attended Willowbrook High School's 2017 prom, which took place April 21 at Brookfield Zoo. The theme of this year's prom was "Masquerade." Pictured at the prom are the event's king and queen—seniors Austin Fiolstad and Olivia Hartshorn. Both students are Villa Park residents.

## Villa Park briefs

### VPJWC holds Cinco de Mayo fundraiser on Friday

The Villa Park Junior Women's Club will host a Cinco de Mayo themed fundraiser on Friday, May 5. The event begins at 7 p.m. at Demito's Double D Saloon, 335 E. Kenilworth Ave. Tickets cost \$15 per person and are available at the door or from a club member. Each ticket includes three tacos, two drinks and one raffle prize ticket. The event will also feature a bags tournament and a split-the-pot contest. All proceeds from the fundraiser are donated to various local charities.

### Swearing-in of new village president to be held May 8

The Villa Park Village Board meeting on Monday, May 8 will include the inauguration of Albert Bulthuis as Villa Park Village President. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. at Villa Park Village Hall. Bulthuis, who has spent the last 10 years on the village board as a trustee, was elected to a four-year

term as village president on April 4. The meeting will also include the swearing-in of Nick Cuzzone, Robert Wagner and Cheryl Tucker as village trustees. Cuzzone and Wagner are incumbent members of the board. They joined Tucker in winning election to four-year terms on April 4. Villa Park Village Clerk Hosanna Korynecky, who was re-elected last month, will also be sworn in at Monday's meeting.

### No French Market in Villa Park this year

Villa Park Village Manager Rich Keehner noted during the April 24 village board meeting there will not be a French Market this year. Keehner stated the village's French Market typically took place each Sunday between May and October near Ardmore Avenue and Park Boulevard. According to Keehner, a severe lack of vendors caused the cancellation of this year's event. He said that he hoped there would be enough interest from vendors to bring the French Market back to the village in 2018.

### Police Explorers hold pancake breakfast on Saturday

The Villa Park Police Explorers will hold a pancake breakfast from 8 a.m. to noon on Sunday, May 7. The fundraising breakfast will take place at Villa Park Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post No. 2801, located at 39 E. St. Charles Road. Admission is \$10 per adult and \$5 for seniors and children 12 and under. The Villa Park Police Explorers are open to young men and women who are interested in learning more about careers in law enforcement.

### Willowbrook Art Show takes place May 9-11

The Willowbrook High School Art Show will take place daily from May 9-11 in the school's Room C2. Student artwork will be available for viewing during lunch periods and after school until 4:30 p.m. A reception that will include the presentation of annual awards to the school's art students will take place on May 10 from 4:30 to 8 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

### Pool passes are on sale now; early-bird rates run through June 10

Villa Park pool passes for the 2017 season went on sale at early-bird rates on May 1. Passes may be used to attend both Jefferson Pool (341 N. Harvard Ave.) and Lufkin Pool (1000 S. Ardmore Ave.) throughout the 2017 season. The passes will be on sale at the Iowa Community Center, 338 N. Iowa Ave., and at the Community Recreation Building, 320 E. Wildwood Ave. The early-bird rates, which run through June 10, offer the same prices as last year; resident passes for ages 3 to 59 are \$53. The pass rate for senior residents 60 and older is \$48. For more information, call the Villa Park Parks and Recreation Department at 630-834-8970.

### VP Recreation accepting preschool registration

Villa Park Recreation is accepting registration for preschool for the 2017-18 school year. Preschool is held at the Iowa Community Center, 338 N. Iowa Ave. Class options include morning classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays for 3-year-olds (must be 3 by Sept. 1, 2017) and Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for 4-year-olds (must be 4 by Sept. 1). The preschool classes will help children discover the fascinating world of learning and play as they gain the skills needed for kindergarten. Call 630-834-8970 for more information.

# Changes at Metra parking lot in effect this week

## New payment box installed; software payment application is still available

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The Village of Villa Park's new payment machine for commuters who park at the Metra Station parking lot went into service on Monday, May 1.

The new machine, which is located on the north side of the train station, will accept payment in cash and credit/debit for daily parking on both the north and south sides of the lot.

Speaking at the Villa Park Village Board meeting on April 24, Villa Park Finance Director Kevin Wachtel said that up until this week, commuters who used a software application to pay their daily parking fees could only park in the south lot. Starting this week, daily commuters on both the north and south sides of the lot could use that application to pay their fees.

The daily parking fee will be \$2 for commuters who utilize either the new machine or the software application.

The new payment machine, which was installed over the weekend, does not accept pennies or 50-cent pieces.

Daily parking passes for the Metra lot will still be available at the Villa Park Police Department, but passes purchased there will cost \$4. Wachtel said the village is trying to encourage commuters to use either the software application or the new payment machine. He added that the village is also encouraging commuters to purchase quarterly permits.

Up until the current quarter, quarterly parking permits cost \$82.50. The fee for new quarterly renewals rose to \$100 as of May 1. Wachtel said the new quarterly rate would still offer regular commuters a discount compared to paying a daily fee. Over

the course of a three-month period, for example, a commuter who parked at the lot five times per week would pay a total of about \$120 by paying the \$2 daily fee with each visit.

Personnel from the company that installed the new payment machine were at the station during the first few days of this week to assist commuters.

Wachtel stated that the village has made several recent upgrades to Villa Park's Metra station. Those improvements include redone platforms and the addition of Wi-Fi and a heated shelter. There have also been landscaping improvements at the station, which features a freshly paved and striped parking lot.

For more information about the changes at the village's Metra parking lot, call Villa Park Village Hall at 630-834-8500, or visit [invillepark.com](http://invillepark.com).

### Village invites residents to sign up for CivicReady alerts

The Village of Villa Park encourages its residents to sign up for CivicReady, an emergency preparedness and notification program. Village residents who sign up can learn about what to do in case an emergency occurs.

They can also sign up for local alerts. CivicReady allows local officials to connect directly with residents through text messages, calls and e-mails. To register for the alerts, go online and visit [il-villapark.civicroady.com](http://il-villapark.civicroady.com).

### Village joins police department to promote benefits of Smart911

The Village of Villa Park and the Villa Park Police Department want residents to learn about Smart911, a free public safety service that provides information to first responders in the event of an emergency. Residents can create an electronic safety profile that provides information about their family members, pets, home and vehicles. Once the resi-

dents sign up, any 9-1-1 call from one of their numbers will include personal information that will go directly to the dispatcher and first responders. The information is private and secure. Residents control the information in their profiles. A majority of 9-1-1 calls are reportedly made from mobile phones, but a cellular phone's exact location cannot always be determined. Smart911 offers an enhanced service that displays the listed address of the mobile phone in the profile and tracks the call, even if the call is disconnected. Existing 9-1-1 fees support Smart911. Anyone who lives, works or visits DuPage County can create a profile. Visit [invillepark.com](http://invillepark.com) for more information, or visit [www.smart911.com](http://www.smart911.com) to create a profile.

### Garden Club of Villa Park holds annual plant sale May 12-13

The Garden Club of Villa Park will hold its annual plant sale on Friday, May 12 and Saturday, May 13. The sale will take place each day from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Villa Park Community Recreation Building, located at 320 E. Wildwood Ave.



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## Keeping it clean

The Villa Park Community Pride Commission sponsored Saturday's annual cleanup along the village's portions of the Illinois Prairie Path and Great Western Trail. Volunteers spent the morning picking up litter along the trails. Before beginning the cleanup, volunteers assembled outside of the Villa Park Historical Museum, where the commission provided garbage bags and rubber gloves, as well as water, snacks and backpacks. The photo, taken just north of the Prairie Path near Euclid Avenue, shows Patrick Grobe with his 4-year-old son Liam. The Grobes are residents of Villa Park.



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## News on display

The Villa Park Historical Museum opened for the season in April. One of the museum's new exhibits on display features bound books of the *Villa Park Review* dating back to the 1960s. Publisher Pete Cruger donated the books, which are available to the public for reference. Donations to the Villa Park Historical Society covered the cost of the shelving, which was purchased from Villa Park Office Equipment. The museum, which is located at 220 S. Villa Ave., is open Tuesday to Friday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The museum is closed on Mondays. Pictured with the bound books is Kaitlyn Mainz, a Villa Park resident and a senior at Willowbrook High School. Mainz, who is a volunteer at the historical museum, has received a scholarship to attend the Art Institute of Chicago. Three pieces of her artwork have been on display for public viewing at Park Art Center in Villa Park. An exhibition of about 100 pieces of Willowbrook students' artwork is on display at Park Art Center through Saturday, May 6. The center is located at 9 E. Park Blvd. More artwork created by Mainz and her fellow Willowbrook students will be on display at the school's art show, which will run May 9-11.





Jane Charmelo

# out & about

## Forest preserve district seeks to protect Blanding's turtles

It may be corny—and a little trite—to ask, “Why did the turtle cross the road?”, but unlike chickens who supposedly just want to get to the other side, turtles are on a mission—to find a nesting place to lay their eggs.

The Forest Preserve District of DuPage County (FPDDC) is focusing its attention specifically on the Blanding's turtle, which is an endangered species, according to district ecologist Dan Thompson and Willowbrook Wildlife Center naturalist Stephanie Touzalin.

To hear these FPDDC staff members tell it, the reduction in the Blanding's population can be attributed to a number of factors, with Thompson saying it didn't just happen overnight.

Going back to the late 1980s and early 1990s, he explained, when monitoring the Blanding's population, it was noted that the turtles being observed were older—not many were of juvenile age.

It was a red flag that led forest preserve staff to be watchful of the Blanding's population. In fact, Thompson said, the creatures were put “on the short list for federal listing” as an endangered species.

First off, he outlined, this is a “slow-growing, slow-maturing” species of turtle, which doesn't start laying eggs until its early to mid-teens.

So it is of vital importance that these creatures live to be adults “to maintain a stable population,” the ecologist emphasized.

Therein lies another part of the problem, Thompson continued, citing how for one, the Blanding's turtle lays fewer eggs than other species, averaging 12 to 13, as opposed to a snapping turtle, which can lay 50 or so.

And, he added, they typically only lay eggs once a year. Yet another piece of the declining population puzzle is ecological, Thompson said. First off, some of these turtles—reports have shown one was found to be over 80 years old—have been migrating to find nesting grounds for over 40 years.

In that time, conditions have changed within the animals' immediate habitat, he continued. While the turtle seeks higher ground to lay its eggs—away from its marshy, wetlands home—that higher ground may have been taken over by inva-



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**The Blanding's turtle is endangered due to a number of factors, so the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County is keeping a watchful eye on the species, trying to monitor its numbers and encouraging motorists to be mindful of these slow-moving creatures. If one is spotted along a road, it is likely a female looking for a place to lay her eggs.**

sive plants, which alter the habitat by creating shade and conditions too cool to lay eggs.

Predators may come along to steal the precious few eggs if the female does manage to create a nest, and according to Touzalin, those are typically raccoons and skunks.

Both staff members are convinced about one factor in particular: the impact roads have had on those creatures who have lived long enough to make it to maturity—when the hard shell makes it less likely to be killed by a predator but offers no real protection against a vehicle.

Touzalin said the Blanding's turtles may have “an instinct to return to where they were born,” but they don't know that “the world has changed a lot around them.”

Thompson echoed that statement by reiterating that when the turtle finds higher ground not suitable for laying eggs, it will seek another location, and here is where the danger of crossing the road comes in—a road that may not have existed since its

first migrations.

“Their life history is not set up to withstand the road mortality,” the ecologist commented.

So, when a Blanding's turtle gets hit by a car, it is likely a female—old enough to lay eggs—seeking a nesting spot.

Traffic has “a major impact on these populations,” Thompson said. “There's high mortality to the young to begin with.”

“That has really inundated these turtles,” he added.

The naturalist related how, for instance, on April 19, the wildlife center received a Blanding's with a shell fracture, saying, “We're hoping for a full recovery.”

Even though females have tracking devices to monitor where they are going to lay eggs, getting an accurate count on the Blanding's population is difficult.

“It's really hard to get good estimates,” Thompson acknowledged, but what the forest preserve district is doing, besides monitoring the Blan-

ding's population, is to help nature along a bit by providing a “maternity ward” of sorts at Willowbrook Wildlife Center.

“Head Start,” said the ecologist, is giving the Blanding's population a fighting chance by protecting the female turtle and her eggs, so when they hatch, she is released back to where she came from and the eggs are incubated.

Touzalin said Willowbrook can handle as many as 200 eggs at a time, and they may stay anywhere from a few months to two years once they hatch. Brookfield and Cosley zoos, and the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum are among the partners who take in the young turtles because raising them can be “a really large undertaking,” Thompson said.

Willowbrook is doing its part “to give them a head start,” said Touzalin.

Although “most people wouldn't recognize a Blanding's turtle,” the ecologist said, the public has a role to play in species conservation.

First off is being aware of one's surroundings, Thompson advised, saying that with animals such as rabbits and squirrels—whose populations are not endangered—an encounter “happens so quickly” as they dart into traffic.

Turtles, on the other hand, move slowly, and even if spotted, don't respond to horns and flashing lights.

Touzalin said that motorists are “more likely to encounter other types of turtles,” but the forest preserve district offers general guidelines for motorists who encounter any turtle:

- Never slam on your brakes; gradually slow down. However, if that is not possible, try to straddle the turtle with the vehicle's tires.

- If you can pull over to protect a turtle, put on your hazard lights to alert other motorists.

- Be aware of the flow of traffic around you before attempting to approach the animal, especially if it is in the middle of the road.

- Notice which way the turtle is facing and move it to that side of the road—but not to a new habitat, which may be disorienting.

- Turtles can bite and scratch and can be quick, so handle it as little as possible—or even avoid it if it is a snapping turtle.

- A shovel or floor mat can be used to help scoop up a turtle—if there is a nearby branch, try and push the creature along.

- Wear gloves and pick up the animal with both hands along either side of the back. Do not pick up a turtle by its tail—the tail is part of the spine and cannot support weight.

With the Blanding's population seemingly dwindling, “We're very fortunate to have the forest preserves we do,” Thompson said, but both the ecologist and naturalist are banking on human intervention to keep the numbers rising.

After all, Thompson summed up, “Every species has a purpose.”

For more information or if you find an injured turtle, contact Willowbrook Wildlife Center at 630-942-6200.

Volunteers are available to answer questions daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. After hours, an automated system provides information.

Visit [www.dupageforest.org](http://www.dupageforest.org) for more information.



## In royal company

Before the final judging Saturday to select this year's Lilac Queen, Lombard Junior Woman's Club's Sue Horner (left) and Nancy Spartz (right) joined this year's Lilac Court for a photo at Embassy Suites. Pictured with the “Queen Mums” are (seated, left to right) Princess Amanda O'Brien, Princess Taylor Balsitis and (standing, left to right) Princess Liana Pavese, Princess Kyla Denwood and Princess Emma Peca. Not pictured is Queen Mum Sue Bielenda. The identity of the queen will be revealed during Saturday's 1 p.m. coronation in Lilacia Park.

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# Sports

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## Warriors go 3-3 during a busy week; six games in six days

*Team wins conference series against Leyden and Hinsdale South*

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The Willowbrook baseball team endured an unusually hectic week of six games in six days by posting three victories. The Warriors won three of five West Suburban Gold Conference contests before wrapping up the week with Saturday's 9-6 loss to York in a non-conference game in Villa Park.

Saturday's loss gave the Warriors an overall record of 15-5. The team's conference record stood at 7-2 after Friday's 2-1 loss at Leyden.

The Warriors won two of three games in last week's conference series against Hinsdale South. The week also included a pair of conference makeup games against Leyden. Willowbrook beat the Eagles on April 26. Two days later, Leyden earned their 2-1 win. Willowbrook wound up taking two of three games in their series with the Eagles. The series began with the Warriors' 8-7 victory on April 11.

"We had a really good week," said Willowbrook coach Vic Wisner. "It was a tough week on our pitchers, but we had kids who battled. Our pitching was really strong all week."

The Warriors opened their string of six games in six days with an 8-1 loss at Hinsdale South on April 24. Willowbrook's pitchers—seniors Alec Michaelson and Scott Kohrt—didn't allow any earned runs. The Warriors committed five errors in allowing eight unearned runs.

One day later, Willowbrook rallied from a 3-0 deficit against Hinsdale South to post a 4-3 victory in Villa Park. The Warriors chipped away at the Hornets' lead by scoring single runs in the third and fourth innings. Willowbrook took the lead with two runs in the bottom of the sixth inning.

Sophomore Ryan Mintz pitched a complete game in earning the victory for Willowbrook. Mintz gave up



three hits and four walks over seven innings. He recorded four strikeouts.

"Ryan Mintz was phenomenal," said Wisner in referring to the April 25 game. "We battled back and shut them [the Hornets] down."

Senior Ben Espinoza went 2-for-4 and drove in one run for the Warriors. Michaelson, senior Jonathan Kelso and sophomore Jack Hines each contributed one RBI.

The Warriors traveled to Leyden on April 26 and earned a 7-3 victory.

Kelso went 3-for-3 and scored three runs. Senior M.J. Ranieri went 3-for-4 with two RBIs, while senior Kyle Ferguson went 2-for-3 with a pair of RBIs. Michaelson provided a 2-for-4 effort at the plate and drove in two runs.

Senior Will Hines teamed with junior Vince Ruchala and sophomore Trevor Jalszynski to share the Warriors' pitching duties in the win over the Eagles.

Willowbrook finished its series



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The Willowbrook baseball team played six games in six days from April 24-29. The Warriors won three of those games, which included five West Suburban Gold Conference contests. The six-game, six-day stretch concluded with Saturday's 9-6 non-conference loss to York. Pictured during the game against York are senior pitcher Will Hines (left, No. 22), sophomore Ryan Mintz (above-No. 1) and senior Jonathan Kelso (below-No. 8). Through Saturday, Willowbrook held an overall record of 15-5 and a conference mark of 7-2.

against Hinsdale South with a 6-2 win in Darien on April 27. Sophomore Jack Nilles pitched six strong innings to earn the victory. Nilles gave up six hits and two walks while striking out four batters. Jalszynski went 2-for-3 and drove in two runs, while Ranieri produced a 1-for-3 showing with a pair of RBIs. Sophomore Marshall McDonnell and Ferguson each drove in one run. Kelso went 2-for-5.

The Warriors wrapped up their three-game conference series against Leyden with Friday's tough 2-1 road loss. Kohrt, who normally pitches in relief, made his first varsity start for Willowbrook and allowed one run over four innings. The Eagles broke a 1-1 tie with one run in the bottom of the sixth inning.

Espinoza, Kelso and senior Mike Dembowski accounted for six of the Warriors' seven hits; each of the three players collected two hits. Kelso drove in his team's only run of the day in the fifth inning.

The Warriors held a 5-2 lead through five innings of Saturday's game against York, which was played in cold conditions and ended

just before heavy rain arrived. The visiting Dukes overtook the Warriors with three runs in the sixth inning and four runs in the seventh inning.

Ranieri and Ferguson both contributed two hits and an RBI against York. Kelso and Dembowski each drove in one run.

The Warriors' schedule this week features a three-game conference series against Addison Trail; the third game will be played tomorrow night at Benedictine University.

"We control our own destiny in the conference," said Wisner. "Winning conference would be great, but that is not our goal. These kids want to get hardware. They want to win a regional and a sectional. Our pitching staff is strong. If we can pick it on defense and play with confidence, I think we're as good as anybody."

### Rams take two of three from Bartlett

The Glenbard East baseball team won two of three games in last week's series against Upstate Eight Valley Conference rival Bartlett. The Rams opened the series with a 2-1 win on April 25 in Lombard. The Hawks earned an 8-1 win over the Rams one day later in Bartlett. Glenbard East shut out the Hawks 3-0 in the third game of the series on April 27.

Glenbard East improved to 14-9 overall and 7-3 in the Upstate Eight Conference with Saturday's 8-5 home win over Streamwood.

Senior Tommy Wilkans of the Rams delivered the winning hit in the April 25 victory over Bartlett. The game was tied at 1-1 with two outs in the bottom of the seventh inning when Wilkans stepped to the plate and hit a run-scoring single to left field to end the game.

Senior Nathan Bertuca fired a complete-game shutout in the Rams' 3-0 win over Bartlett. Bertuca allowed only one hit and didn't surrender any walks over seven innings. He struck out three batters. Bertuca also provided some offensive punch, going 1-for-3 and driving in two runs. Junior Jack Oberli, the team's leadoff hitter, went 3-for-3. Oberli scored a run and contributed one RBI. Junior Jared Rech went 1-for-2 and scored one run.

Wilkans went 3-for-3 and scored three runs in Saturday's victory over Streamwood. Bertuca turned in a 2-for-2 effort with three RBIs. Sophomore Bret Bushka, who also drove in three runs, went 1-for-4.





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# Warriors and Rams battle to a 2-2 tie

## Willowbrook rallies from a 2-0 deficit

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Last week's girls soccer match between area rivals Willowbrook and Glenbard East resulted in a 2-2 tie.

Playing on their home field in the April 27 contest, the Rams took a quick 2-0 lead with a pair of goals in a span of less than two minutes. Senior Dana Plotke scored gave Glenbard East a 1-0 lead when she scored about 10 minutes into the match. Moments later, junior Katie Hansen scored to extend the Rams' lead to 2-0.

The Warriors cut into the lead with less than 30 seconds to play in the first half. Freshman Julianna Paulsen scored a goal on an assist from senior Lesly Montoya with 24.8 seconds remaining in the half.

Junior Jessica Ragucci delivered the tying goal for Willowbrook

when she booted a free kick into the net with about 12 minutes left in the match.

"This has been our best game so far this season," said Willowbrook coach Julio Del Real after the match against the Rams. "We knew we were going to play a very good team. We've been battling all year long. Our girls keep playing harder and harder."

The Rams applied most of the offensive pressure during the second half, but Willowbrook's defenders teamed with sophomore goalkeeper Zoe Ericson to shut out Glenbard East during the second half.

"Zoe is a great athlete; she's exciting to watch," said Del Real. "Our defenders did an outstanding job."

The tie left Glenbard East with an overall season record of 9-4-2. Willowbrook's record stood at 5-7-1 after the stalemate.

"Hats off to Willowbrook," said

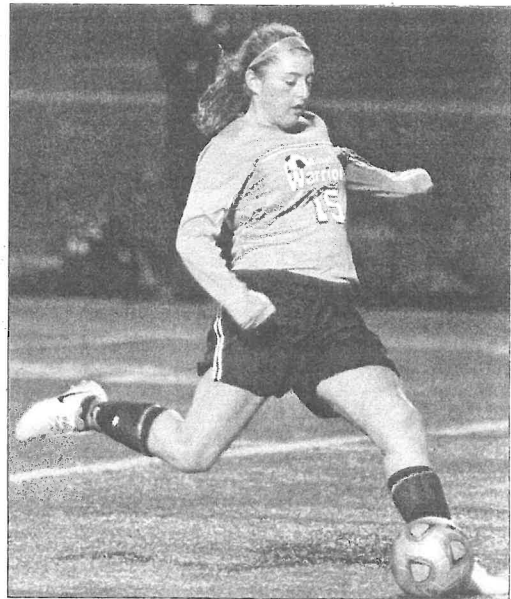
Glenbard East coach Kent Overbey. "They had a couple of chances and they capitalized. I thought their keeper [Ericson] played great; she made a lot of saves. I didn't feel we played great. We had a big game with Glenbard West looming and I think we were looking ahead."

The Rams' overall record moved to 9-4-3 after Saturday's 0-0 tie against Glenbard West in Glen Ellyn. Willowbrook improved its record to 6-7-1 with Saturday's 2-1 victory at Glenbard North. Paulsen and sophomore Kaleigh Rugg provided second-half goals for the Warriors.

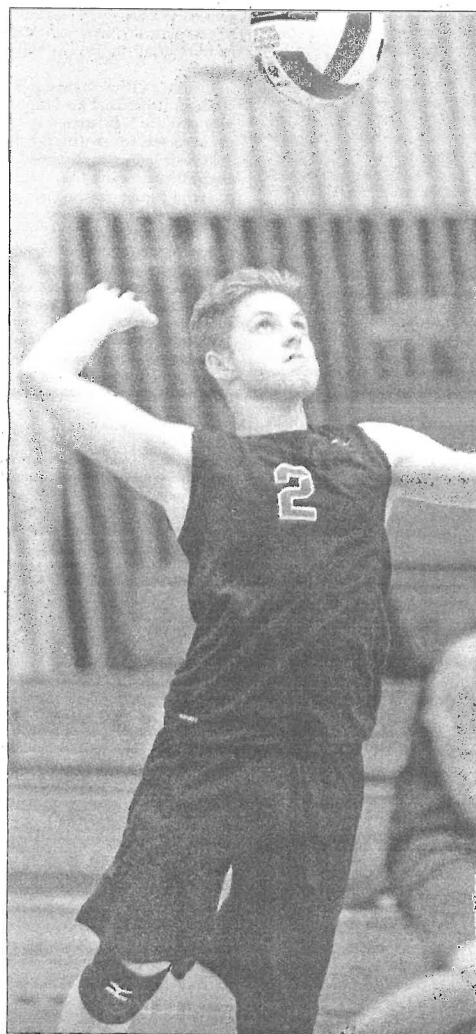
Glenbard East and Willowbrook both began last week with conference victories on April 25. The Rams earned a 3-0 Upstate Eight Valley Conference win over West Chicago in Lombard. Willowbrook defeated Addison Trail 4-0 in a West Suburban Gold Conference match in Villa Park.

Junior Mimi Camacho scored two of the Rams' goals against the Wildcats. Sophomore Lindsey Novak added one goal. The win gave Glenbard East a conference record of 2-0-1.

Senior Cassandra Darrus joined sophomore Melissa Florey, freshman Erin Bell and Paulsen in scoring one goal each for the Warriors in their win over the Blazers. Willowbrook moved its conference record to 3-1 with the victory.



Willowbrook junior Jessica Ragucci (No. 15) launching a free kick with about 12 minutes to play in the match. Ragucci's kick sailed into the net for the goal that tied the match at 2-2.



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## A dominant win for the Rams

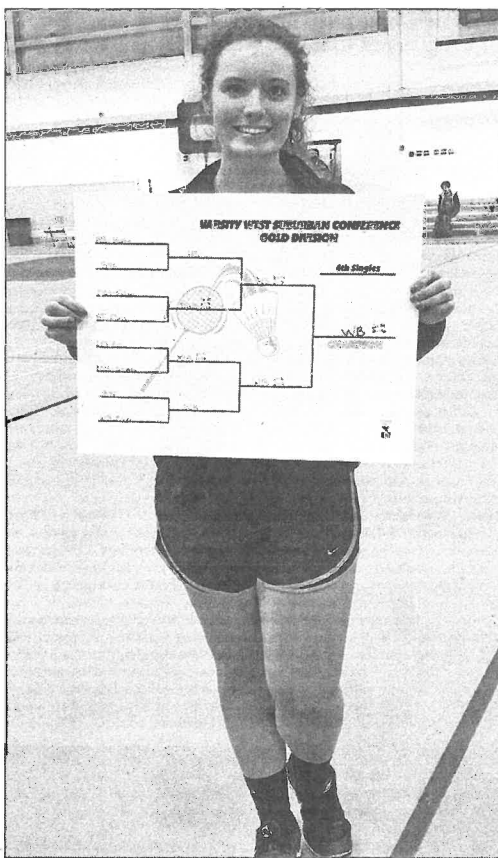
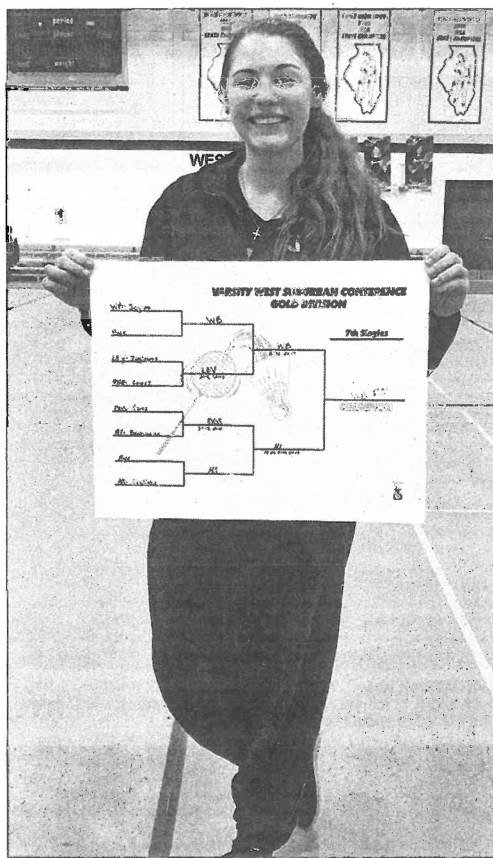
Sophomore Nick O'Brien (No. 2) of the Glenbard East boys volleyball team hits a serve during last week's Upstate Eight Conference match against Bartlett. The Rams defeated the visiting Hawks 25-7, 25-9 in the April 25 meeting in Lombard. Senior Brandon Banks and sophomore Carson Brandt both provided five kills for the Rams. Seniors Mason Arnold and Adrian Cebula both connected for four kills. Arnold and senior Jake Eagan contributed 12 and six assists, respectively. O'Brien made a team-high four digs. The Rams improved to 19-5 overall and 5-0 in conference play following a 25-12, 25-16 victory at St. Charles East on April 27. Arnold tallied seven kills and 11 assists. Brandt supplied five kills, while Eagan handed out 12 assists. Junior Peter Surlina made seven digs. Banks and senior Justin Murphy both provided four kills.



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Neighborhood rivals squared off in last week's girls soccer match between Glenbard East and Willowbrook. The Rams took a quick 2-0 lead in the April 27 match, but the visiting Warriors fought back to earn a 2-2 tie in Lombard. The photo above shows Glenbard East sophomore Lindsey Novak (No. 13, left) and Willowbrook sophomore Melissa Florey (No. 6, right) chasing after the ball. The photo below shows senior Dana Plotke (No. 8, left) of the Rams and Willowbrook freshman Sara Fitzgibbon (No. 31, right).





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## Warriors win singles titles at conference meet

Seniors Samantha Asher (right) and Milena Sogura (left) of the Willowbrook badminton team won singles championships at the West Suburban Gold Conference Meet, which took place Friday at Hinsdale South. Asher won the title in the No. 4 singles flight, while Sogura claimed the championship in the No. 7 singles division. Not pictured is sophomore Grace Wachholz, who won the No. 10 singles title for the Warriors. Hinsdale South won the team title at the conference meet. Willowbrook, which won several second-place medals in the event's singles and doubles flights, placed second to the Hornets in the team standings. The Warriors will compete in an IHSA sectional event this week.

## Conroy offers Civics 101 to constituents

Continuing her work to engage the community in the legislative process, state Rep. Deb Conroy, D-Villa Park, hosted a Civics 101 meeting at the Funky Java in Villa Park to educate residents on the work that goes into advocating on their behalf in Springfield.

"Engaging members of our community and listening to their thoughts and concerns is the most important aspect of my job as our state representative," Conroy said.

"The budget crisis continues to hurt families and businesses in my district. I hosted this Civics 101 event to inform the community of ways they can engage in the legislative process and advocate with me on behalf of our community."

Conroy has made passing a budget that protects working families, freezes property taxes and invests in local small businesses her top priority.

Conroy's Civics 101 events help residents understand how they can help push for legislation that Conroy advocates for on their behalf.

"I believe that an informed and engaged community like ours is a powerful part of ensuring our government works for us and invests in us," Conroy said. "That is why it is important to me that members of our community understand how they can make their voices heard, and that they know I am here to advocate for them."

Conroy plans to host another discussion in the coming months.

For more information or to express thoughts or concerns, residents can reach Conroy's district office at 630-415-3520 or repdeb-conroy@gmail.com.



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## Conference champions

Glenbard East Juniors Jessamy Villaroza (left) and Abby Ekstrand (right) teamed up to win the No. 2 doubles championship at the Upstate Eight Conference Tournament, which concluded on Saturday at East Aurora High School. Villaroza also won a conference title in the No. 5 singles flight. Not pictured is junior Bailey Ekstrand, who captured the No. 3 singles championship for the Rams. Glenbard East finished second to West Aurora in the Valley Division competition at the conference meet. The Rams will battle in an IHSA sectional this week.

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"I'm doing it for my teammates," the Naperville North junior said. "It's for them more than anything."

In the field Lake Park junior Izzy Kennedy was the lone athlete to claim two individual championships.

The Lancers' standout swept the long and triple jumps with marks of 17 feet, 11 inches and 37-8.

"It was a good day," Kennedy said. "The jumps were really strong."

In the throws defending Class 3A shot put state champion Courtney Morgan of Metea Valley won with an effort of 44-0 to deny Waubonsie Valley senior Brooklyn Wilson, who captured the discus at 133-1.

— Kevin McGavin

## Boys gymnastics

### Glenbard West sectional:

Glenbard West inched one step closer to winning its first

as they prepare for the state finals on May 12-13.

"We're focusing on the little things like toes, the knees and the slight feet separation, all of the small things," Ideler said. "We don't want to feel the pain from last year again. It's definitely still in our minds."

Elgin senior Nolan Williamson took second in the all-around with a 53.05, while West Chicago senior Jacob Kurian took fifth with a 50.85. The two were the lone reps from their respective schools.

"I want to end this year, my final year, on a good note," Kurian said. "Other than horse, everything was good. I stuck most of my landings which was key to me doing well this meet."

Glenbard East took fourth with a 135.45 behind junior Marc Le's third-place effort on still rings.

Lake Park was fifth with a 133.3. Senior Luke Badger led the Lancers with a sixth-place finish on high bar.

Addison Trail was seventh

North with 12 kills. Joe Muckerheide added 9 kills, Buchler had 6 kills, sophomore John Jaworski added 18 assists and 9 digs and Connor Sheehan had 12 digs.

"This has been our whole season, although I think we've been coming out of it a little bit lately," said Naperville North coach Nate Bornancin. "We've been close going three sets with some of the top teams in the state. We just haven't been able to get over the hump."

"I thought Sam (Wittwer) did a phenomenal job and Joe (Muckerheide) really stepped up for us big-time," Bornancin added. "I really can't ask for much more. The guys played hard. It was fun to watch. It was fun to coach."

— Phil Brozynski

## Girls soccer

### Waubonsie Valley 2, Naperville North 0:

Sarah Griffith and her Waubonsie Valley teammates whooped it up in during a spirited postgame celebration of their 2-0 upset of Naperville North on Thursday night in Aurora.

But after the screaming ended, the Warriors said they weren't surprised.

"I think we always had it in us," Griffith said. "We've just had some unlucky games, but it's not like we started the season today. We've just had it in us the whole time."

The Purdue-bound Griffith made sure the Warriors got the result they wanted out of the DuPage Valley Conference match. She set up the first

## Baseball

### Willowbrook 5, Addison Trail 4:

Willowbrook center fielder Jon Kelso might boast a .562 batting average, but that doesn't mean he's had to carry the Warriors' offense.

Their lineup depth shined again on Thursday.

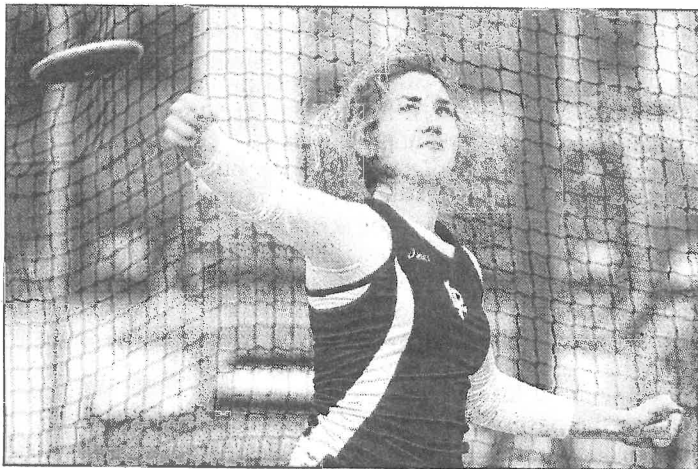
Even with Kelso going 2-for-4 — actually seeing his average drop from .565 — four other players drove in runs in four different innings as Willowbrook's baseball team beat host Addison Trail 5-4 in their West Suburban Gold matchup.

"Top to bottom, we rely on everybody," Kelso said. "We try to get runs for our pitchers, and they do a good job out there. It helps take the pressure off them."

Kelso had singles in his first two at-bats and scored both times, first on a wild pitch and then on a third-inning M.J. Ranieri single. The Warriors (17-5, 9-2) scored in each of the first four innings and held on late.

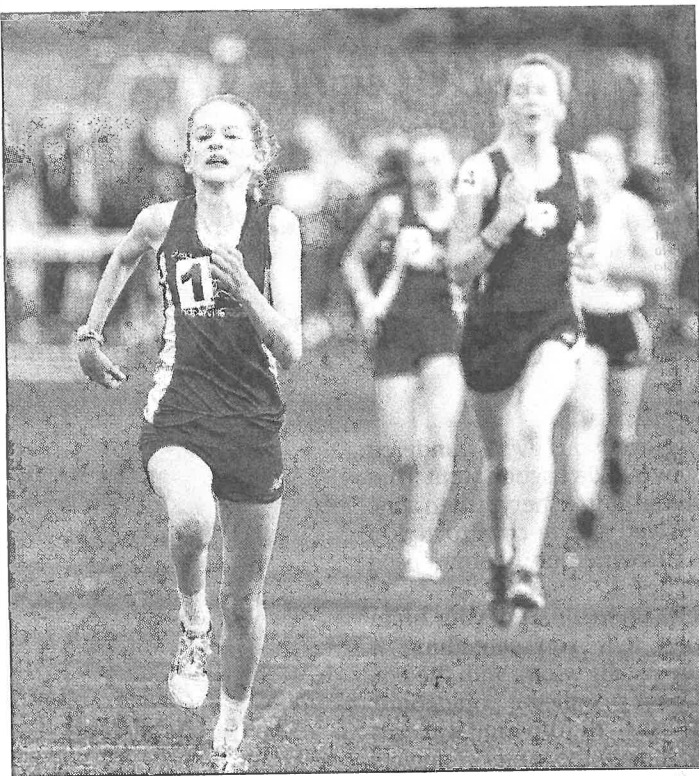
A run-scoring fielder's choice by Michael Scali in the bottom of the seventh pulled Addison Trail (10-10, 6-5) within 5-4, but Warriors reliever Scott Kohrt stranded the tying run at second base to end the game and preserve sophomore Jack Nilles' sixth victory.

Addison Trail stranded four runners in scoring position, including two in the pivotal third inning when the Blazers narrowed the gap to 4-2 on a 2-run double by Ricky Perez, who also



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Lake Park's Emily Golab throws the discus during the DuPage Valley Conference meet on Thursday night at Wheaton Warrenville South.





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**Naperville North's Alex Morris wins the 3,200-meter run at the DuPage Valley Conference meet at Wheaton Warrenville South.**

had a fifth-inning sacrifice fly.

"Squandered opportunities," said Blazers coach Mike Kennedy, whose team received 6 solid innings from starter Trevor Fulmer. "The good teams are going to make you pay for that. But we came back and competed hard. We just didn't get that big timely hit."

Jack Hines, Mason Kamp and Marshall McDonnell all had run-scoring hits for Willowbrook, which clinched its fourth Gold series victory of the season.

"You always want to add on and try to get a run an inning," said Willowbrook coach Vic Wisner. "There were a lot of opportunities for us to get runs, so I'm pretty pleased with our approach."

— Kevin Schmit

softball diamond on a cold, windy Thursday in dire need of a pick-me-up, having lost four straight games. The Wildcats needed a boost and a quick start against rival Waubonsie Valley, and boy, did they get just that.

They scored 10 runs on 10 hits in the first inning on their way to a 14-2, 5-inning DuPage Valley Conference victory in Naperville.

Neuqua Valley's first eight batters reached safely and 16 stepped to the plate in first inning. Gina Rivera and Paige Price had extra fun in the inning; the two Wildcats each recorded a pair of hits in the first inning.

"It was great. And I have a lot of teammates too who are on Waubonsie that I play with during the summer season. So it's always great to see people you know and have that friendly competition," said Price, a first baseman/catcher, who went 3-for-4 in the shortened contest. "Absolutely. We feed off each other. Once we get a couple good hits in it just seems like everyone starts to rally."

A day after the Wildcats

## Softball

### Riverside-Brookfield 9, IC Catholic 2:

Back on April 18 IC Catholic Prep handed Riverside-Brookfield a 12-2 defeat.

The Bulldogs were a

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## Krishnamoorthi: There will never be solutions unless they're bipartisan' Congressman holds Town Hall meeting at Willowbrook High School

By Dee Longfellow  
FOR THE INDEPENDENT

About 100 people gathered on Saturday, April 22 for a Town Hall meeting hosted by U. S. Representative Raja Krishnamoorthi (D-Chicago) to discuss things in Washington and to answer questions from constituents.

"First of all, Happy Earth Day!" Krishnamoorthi began his remarks, followed by a comical story. "When my young son first heard I was getting 'sworn in,' he asked what kind of bad words I would be using."

On another personal note, he mentioned that his wife was an anesthesiologist.

"In our jobs, we both put people to sleep, just in different ways!"

Krishnamoorthi touched briefly on a few topics that were on his mind but almost immediately opened the floor to constituents' questions. One thing he said was that District 88 is the second most diverse School District in the state of Illinois, just after Chicago.

He added that he had been working on efforts to combat the escalating drug prices in our country and the "rising tide of bigotry."

### How do we stop people from leaving Illinois in droves?

One attendee noted there has been much discussion about Illinoisans fleeing the state for places with lower taxes and fewer regulations (for businesses).

"I would like to streamline regulations," he said. "I don't believe in wholesale deregulation. But whatever is done, it must be bi-partisan in nature, otherwise it doesn't work."

### What will happen to healthcare?

Krishnamoorthi believes strongly

ly in the Affordable Healthcare Act (AHA), known as Obamacare, and with 21 million Americans covered, does not want to eliminate it but rather to strengthen it. He sees premiums increasing by as much as 35% for the 50-64 age bracket. He would like to see no lifetime caps on benefits; he also favors allowing kids to remain covered by their parents' policy for a longer period.

When there was a chance to change the AHA, the Congressman said Republicans "were caught flat-footed."

"What Republicans want to change with the AHA is to allow states to waive out of general healthcare," he said. "The second problem is that [the Republicans' plan] will eviscerate protection for pre-existing conditions."

He said that the Republicans' plan would price people out of the market, adding that he also recognized that the premiums for Obamacare are and always have been "outrageously high."

### How can we help?

Someone asked how constituents could support him, especially those who would like to see President Donald Trump impeached.

"My reaction is to tell you to stay engaged," he said. "Keep up sending letters, phone calls and public demonstrations; you may think it doesn't make a difference but it does. When elected officials receive feedback every single day, they can't help but pay attention eventually."

On the subject of education, Krishnamoorthi said he was a big believer in public schools but knows they're going to feel the cuts.

"We want to see cost controls at colleges and universities," he said. "When they receive money from the state, it needs to go towards academi-

cs, not for climbing walls or lazy rivers, or to administrators."

He noted that Illinois has created a manmade crisis, that is, the budget

impasse.

"Without funding education properly, the higher education system is being held hostage by state legislators

who refuse to work toward a solution."

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## Indian Trail performs 'Truth about Cat Hair'

The Indian Trail Junior High School Drama Club presented "The Absolutely Insidious and Utterly Terrifying Truth about Cat Hair" in two performances on Friday, April 28. The comedy features the dilemma of Bradley and his pet cat, Butterball Snowflake, who seems to have an infinite amount of cat hair. This creative play by Bradley Walton had some unusual roles for the students to play including nine Cat Hair characters, three narrators, Frankie, Vacuum, Lint Roller, Granola Bar and Masking Tape.

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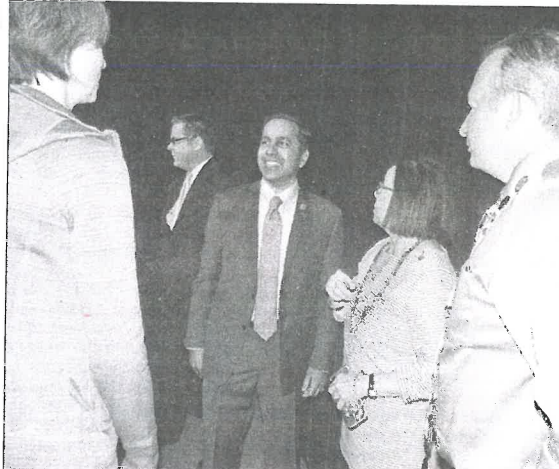
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Above: U.S. Representative Raja Krishnamoorthi greets guests who gathered at Willowbrook High School on Saturday, April 22 for his Town Hall meeting. The Congressman took questions from the audience for just over an hour and then spoke with constituents individually.

Right: Congressman Raja Krishnamoorthi (on stage) takes a question from an audience member during his Town Hall meeting which took place at Willowbrook High School on Saturday, April 22. His main message: If government leaders don't work in a bipartisan fashion, we'll just see the same thing back and forth every four years.

## • Town Hall (Continued from front page)

### Keeping the middle class strong

Krishnamoorthi said the most pressing issue is, making sure we have a strong middle class.

"We want middle class people to keep growing and thriving," he said. "We need to be aware of working families' agenda on topics like equal pay for equal work, pregnancy leave, affordable child care and we need to strengthen Social Security and Medicare."

He indicated that there may be an opportunity for an early buy-in to Medicare.

### Transportation remains a necessary challenge

When transportation came up, Krishnamoorthi said he was against defunding Amtrak because it is a viable form of transportation.

"We want to keep the trains," he said. "We have to fund mass transit otherwise we will continue to be [heavily congested]."

He's been working with the Surface Transportation Board to support finding a western access thoroughfare to O'Hare Airport, which has been on the table for several years now. The Elgin-O'Hare Expressway has been a bit of a joke.

"You know what they say, the Elgin-O'Hare goes neither to Elgin nor

O'Hare," the Congressman said with a laugh. "That's been a long-standing joke."

The issue that brought the biggest round of applause was when someone asked about getting the details on Russia's involvement, if any, in the November election. Without releasing pertinent details, Krishnamoorthi said that investigation is indeed ongoing and that he is keeping an eye on it.

### Solutions must be bipartisan

"Businesses need to take a stand on things like infrastructure, tax reform, healthcare, etc.," he said. "But it has to be bipartisan. If we don't approach things from a bipartisan standpoint, we'll just continue to go back and forth, four years of this, then four years of that, and so on, with no real progress or solutions."

"There will never be a lasting solution unless it is bipartisan."

He went on to say that progress on many issues has been delayed since Trump was elected.

"We were making progress in a lot of areas but we're back-sliding a bit," he said. "We need something to jolt us out of [complacency] and continue the fight."

"You cannot be silent, you can't hope someone else will do it."



“There will never be a lasting solution unless it is bipartisan. You cannot be silent, you can't hope someone else will do it.”

— U.S. Representative Raja Krishnamoorthi

# ATHS honors 64 of its 'Best'

On April 18, 64 Addison Trail students were named as AT's Best.

The AT's Best award honors students who have achieved a "personal best." Students receive a pin or a T-shirt for their efforts and are honored during a breakfast.

AT's Best recipients are:

- Senior Olivia Czerepko, junior Danielle Cusumano, senior Victor Jaimes, senior Ryan Cabildo, senior Sevina Topalska, junior Nina Caliendo, junior Taylor Campbell, senior Alec Montgomery and senior Maxwell Dziabis

Nominated by Theatre Director Anna Jakubka

- Senior Leslie Tolentino, senior Gianna Sarli, senior Jonathan Loi and junior Angelo Pahopos

Nominated by Business Professionals of America co-sponsors Jeff Laschinski and Juliann Boudouris

- Sophomore Jennifer Santana

Nominated by family and consumer education teacher Jennifer Kowalski

- Junior Angela Addante

Nominated by yearbook co-sponsors Jessica Clark and Katie Inzinga

- Junior Kenneth Bartkiewicz, junior Joseph Capone, junior Randy Petrbok, senior Athena Kakolires and junior Natalia Salamon

Nominated by DECA co-sponsors Jeff Laschinski and Joe Mahoney

- Senior Annalise Morrone, senior Gianna Sarli, senior Jessica Bach, senior Andrew Felix, senior Sarah Hoda, senior Katherine Cas-

tellano, senior Sarah Garces Rivera, senior Klea Gjonaj, junior Katarina Surjanec, junior Taylor Campbell, junior Theodora Koulouvaris and junior Michelle Ramirez

Nominated by Guidance Department Administrative Assistant Karen Grady

- Freshmen Olivia Cabrera, Jovani DeLaCruz, Jennifer Coronel, Edson Aldana, Melody Aragon, Julian Monarrez and Andrea Villarreal; sophomore Samantha Washington, junior Jammie Jefferson and junior Crystal Guadarrama

Nominated by special education teacher Anna Grice and science teacher Laura Garcia

- Freshmen Anthony Valenti, Yasmine Hernandez, Jenny Muka, Fernando Zarco, Melissa Garcia, Misael Tellez, Kate Diego, Elyzabeth Galeana, Alex Eddy, Monseratt Gonzalez, Brandon Tran, Paulina Stachura, Demi Koulogeorgas, Mar Esmeralda Perez and Aleksandra Strazacki

Nominated by English teacher Katie Inzinga, social studies teacher Mark Olson and science teacher Andrea Stawiers

- Freshmen Brian Fernandez, Brian Hernandez, Nina Mirza, Jennifer Ramirez, Jasmine Santos and Lisbeth Torres

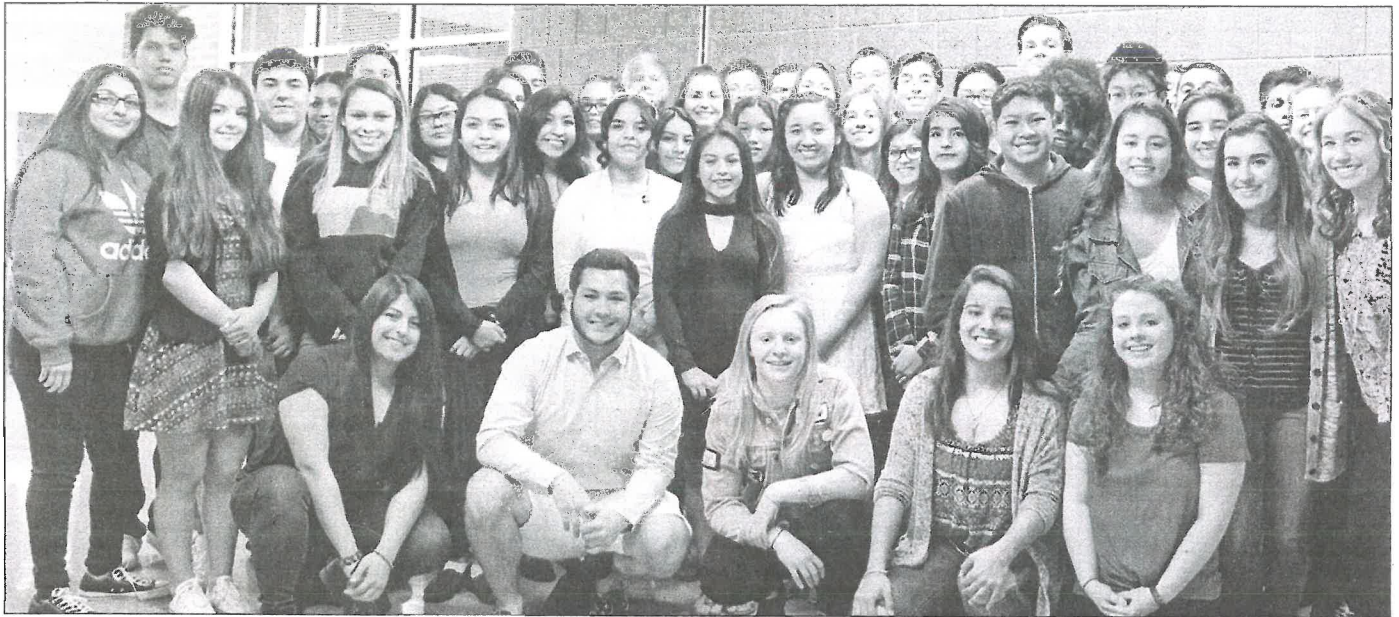
Nominated by English teacher Patti Subers

- Senior Hayley Scotti

Nominated by Community Liaison Marco Gasca.

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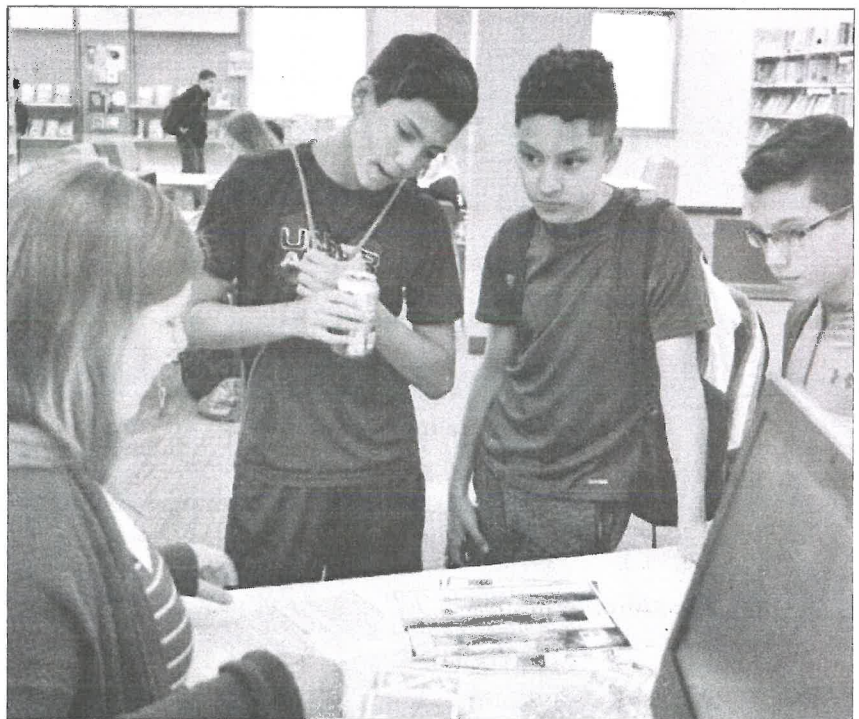
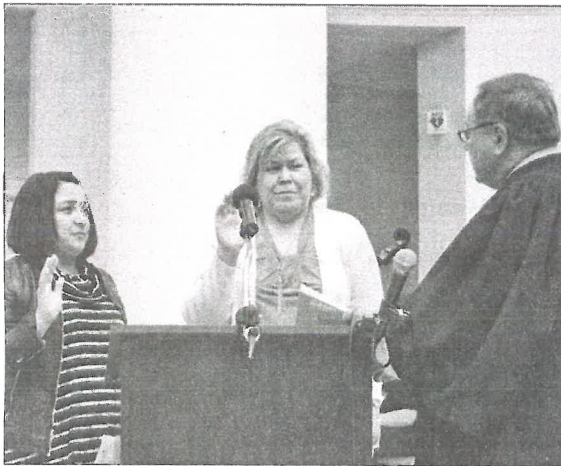




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## Addison Trail recognizes AT's Best

Pictured are Addison Trail students who were recognized as AT's Best during a breakfast in their honor on April 18.



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## Addison Library news

Above right: Addison Library Teen Specialist Stephanie Brandwein (left) teaches teens the rules of specially designed board game to help them learn how their habits affect their carbon footprint in Hive Lab. Teens can earn extra credit from their science teachers for participating in Hive Lab.

Above left: Library Board members were sworn in. Pictured is Sandra Super (left), the Addison Public Library's returning Board President, and Maria Sinkule, the Library's newly-elected Trustee, taking their oaths of office at the Addison Inauguration held on April 27.

Left: Addison Public Library patrons celebrate the beginning of springtime by making fairy lanterns in mason jars. The program allows a space for making friends, letting out creativity, and learning new skills.





## SPORTS

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## Addison Trail boys gymnastics team making progress

*Blazers have increased team score by 40 points*

By Mike Miazga  
CORRESPONDENT

The Addison Trail boys gymnastics team continues to trend upward.

Coach Mike Galfi noted through late last week the team had raised its overall score 40 points.

"We started the year with a team score of 88 points," he said.

Recently, the Blazers were 128.9-117.8 winners over Leyden in West Suburban Conference Gold Division action and also took fourth at the Lake Park Invitational with a 132.8 effort.

Senior Alex Kominowski recently took first place on floor, vault and parallel bars at the Fred Dennis Invitational and also took first on floor and parallel bars at Lake Park.

"Alex has been winning multiple events at meets," said Galfi.

Galfi also noted the team's improvement over the course of the conference dual-meet season. "We have seen such an improvement over the course of this year," he said. "Our first real team score this year was at Hinsdale South with a 112.8. Since then, the team has been doing an excellent job of adding in new skills and cleaning up their form."

"They have the longest tenure in the gym and they are leading by example to show the younger gymnasts what it takes to be successful in the sport."

— Coach Mike Galfi

To go from a 112.8 at our first conference meet and score 128.8 at our last conference meet takes a tremendous amount of persistence and hard work. It's great to see it paying off for the athletes."

The coach added 24 of the team's 28 gymnasts have done the sport for one or two years.

"We have an extremely young team this year and have asked many freshmen and sophomores to compete at the varsity level," said Galfi. "With that being said, most of our high-bar and parallel bar teams had

only a few skills at the beginning of the year, but have transitioned and developed to the point where they can competitively compete against other teams."

Floor exercise has been another bright spot for the Blazers this season. "Floor consistently has been our best event," said Galfi. "We have been averaging just under a 9.0 for our floor team this season."

Galfi lauded the efforts of Kominowski, Jeremy Crespo and Carlos Alvarez this season. "Alex, Jeremy and Carlos are the clear leaders in the gym," he said. "They have the longest tenure in the gym and they are leading by example to show the younger gymnasts what it takes to be successful in the sport."

Galfi said the team has benefited from a strong work ethic in the practice gym. "What impresses me the most is their abilities to learn new skills and work on consistency and form throughout each practice," he said. "I am really proud of this group for how far they have come. They have exceeded my expectations already and I'm looking forward to seeing what this young group can do in a few years."

## Addison Trail boys volleyball team competes at Brother Rice Smack Attack

*Holliday, Stout exceling for Willowbrook boys track team*

By Mike Miazga  
CORRESPONDENT

The Addison Trail boys volleyball team took 10th out of 24 team at the recent Brother Rice Smack Attack tournament.

"It's one of the best tournaments in the state," said Addison Trail coach Chad Grant.

At Brother Rice, Addison Trail was a 25-15, 25-18 winner over Fenwick. The Blazers lost 25-14, 25-22 to Lincoln-Way West before beating Providence Catholic (25-13, 26-24) and St. Francis (25-17, 24-26, 28-26). Addison Trail also lost to St. Louis University High, the No. 1-ranked team in Missouri, by scores of 18-25, 27-25, 25-18.

In other recent action, the Blazers lost 25-23, 25-20 to Downers Grove South in West Suburban Conference Gold Division action. The loss put Addison Trail at 12-9 overall and 2-2 in WSC Gold play.

"This season continues to be a challenge for us," said Grant. "We have been forced to play with a bunch of different lineups for a variety of reasons and it has been difficult for us to find consistency."

Grant noted the team has cut down on its service errors of late and the team is hard at work on cutting down on opponent point runs during certain rotations. He also would like to see his team fare better in close matches. "We need to do a better job of closing out tight matches,"

he said. "Five of our losses were matches we could have won. We are working on getting those things cleaned up."

Grant lauded the recent play of Colton Noel. "Colton has been coming on strong for us lately in the middle, which has given us a big boost on offense," he said. "The boys have faced a lot of adversity this year and hopefully this is something that will help us out down the line."

### Willowbrook boys track

Willowbrook welcomed back veteran Casey King last week after he recovered from a lower-body injury. "That's exciting," said Willowbrook coach TJ Artman.

Freshman newcomer Deandre Holliday was won the high jump and triple jump at several invites for the Warriors. "Deandre is doing a great job," said Artman.

Holliday has broken the freshman school record in both events during the outdoor season.

Sophomore hurdler Will Stout has been a standout in the 300 intermediate hurdles. "Will is doing a great job and has won several invites in the 300 intermediate hurdles," said Artman.

Willowbrook will host the West Suburban Conference Gold Division meet this season.

"Our varsity team is shaping up and getting ready to compete at their best at the conference championships," said Artman.

## Willowbrook baseball team has busy conference week

*Warriors win series against Hinsdale South and Leyden*

By Mike Miazga  
CORRESPONDENT

The Willowbrook baseball team got an extra-large dose of West Suburban Conference Gold Division action last week.

The Warriors went 3-2 overall in games against Hinsdale South and Leyden. Willowbrook was 15-4 overall through late last week.

Willowbrook started the week with an 8-1 WSC Gold loss to Hinsdale South. The Warriors were limited to five hits and made five errors. Ben Espinoza had a hit, as did Trevor Jaloszynski. Alex Michaelson, Jack Hines and Dan Gusel. Hines had an RBI, while Jaloszynski's hit was a double. Michaelson took the loss. He fanned eight over 4 2/3 innings and allowed no earned runs. Scott Kohrt pitched the last 1 1/3 innings and struck out two.

The Warriors came back the next day to edge Hinsdale South 4-3. Willowbrook scored two runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to take the lead for good.

Espinoza went 2-for-4 with a run scored and an RBI. Jon Kelso had a hit and an RBI, as did Michaelson. Kyle Ferguson had a hit and a run scored. Mike Dembowski had two hits. Hines had a hit, a run scored and an RBI, while Ryan Mintz had a hit. Kelso and Hines each tripled. Mintz was the winning pitcher. He threw a seven-inning complete game, allowing three hits and no earned runs, while striking out four.

Willowbrook then scored a 7-3 WSC Gold win over Leyden. Willowbrook trailed 3-1 at one point in the game. The Warriors had 12 hits.

Espinoza had a hit, a run scored and two walks. Kelso went 3-for-3 with three runs scored. Michaelson went 2-for-4 with two runs scored and two RBI. MJ Ranieri went 3-for-4 with two RBI. Ferguson had two hits, a run scored and two RBI. Hines added a hit. Ferguson, Kelso and Michaelson each had a double. Kelso stole two bases.

Jaloszynski was the winning pitcher. He went 3 2/3 innings and struck out two. Will Hines and Vince Ruchala pitched the final 3 1/3 innings in relief and allowed no earned runs and only three hits.

The Warriors then won their three-game series against Hinsdale South with a 6-2 victory. Willowbrook had nine hits and was powered by a five-run fifth inning.

Espinoza had a hit and a walk. Kelso had two hits and a run scored. Michaelson had a walk and a run scored. Ranieri had a hit, a run scored and two RBI. Ferguson had a hit, a run scored and an RBI. Dembowski had a hit. Jack Hines scored a run, while Jaloszynski had two hits and two RBI. Marshall McDonnell had a hit and an RBI. Jaloszynski and Dembowski each had a double.

Jack Nilles was the winning pitcher. He went six innings and allowed six hits and one earned run, while striking out four. Kohrt pitched the seventh inning.

Willowbrook then dropped a 2-1 WSC Gold game to Leyden. Leyden scored the go-ahead run in the sixth inning. Willowbrook had seven hits.

Espinoza went 2-for-3, while Kelso was 2-for-4 with an RBI. Dembowski also had two hits, while Ferguson had one hit. Kelso stole a base. Jack Hines took the loss in relief. He allowed two hits and no earned runs in two innings. Kohrt started the game and allowed one earned run over four innings. He struck out four.

Willowbrook still won the series against Leyden at 2-1.

Willowbrook was scheduled to open a three-game series with District 88 neighbor Addison Trail earlier this week. The final game of the series is scheduled for Friday at 4:30 p.m. at Benedictine University in Lisle.



## Addison Trail's Michael Williams commits to play basketball at St. Ambrose

Addison Trail standout hoops star Michael Williams will continue his basketball career at St. Ambrose University in Iowa.

St. Ambrose University head men's basketball coach Ray Shovlain

made the announcement recently that Williams has committed to attend St. Ambrose and play for the Fighting Bees beginning in the fall of 2017.

The 6-5 guard/forward from Addison received West Suburban all-con-

ference and all-area recognition as a Blazer. The team MVP also received all-state special mention. He was named a Daily Herald Player of the Week after scoring 20 points to lead Addison Trail to its first win over

Proviso East in 20 years.

Off the court, Williams is a member of the Black Student Union and was chosen by the district to receive YEES (Youth Equity Social Stewardship) Training for his leadership in

both the classroom and in the community. He also received school and conference academic honors.

Michael, the son of Elijah and Laura Williams, plans to major in Business Administration at St. Ambrose.

He joins a St. Ambrose team coming off a disappointing 9-20 campaign. Seven of those losses were decided by two possessions or less.

St. Ambrose, located in Davenport, Iowa, is a member of the NAIA and the Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference (CCAC).

## IC Catholic Prep track teams turn in strong performances

### Rowell breaks school record in long jump

By Mike Miazga  
CORRESPONDENT

The IC Catholic Prep girls track team had a number of notable performances in a recent meet at Glenbard South that included the host school, Glenbard East, Illiana Christian and Riverside-Brookfield.

Kiersten King won the 200 with a time of 27.36, but suffered a leg injury as she finished. Katarina Vorne won the 400 in 1:06.67.

The IC Catholic Prep 800 relay team of Jaida Smith, Olivia Slavin, Hannah Johnson and King won the race in 1:54.71.

Smith was second in the triple jump at 33-6, while Johnson was third in the event at 32-11 1/4.

IC Catholic Prep's 1,600 relay was second at 4:46.77 with Slavin, Johnson, Nailah Landon and Vorne.

Smith was third in the long jump at 14-8 1/4. The Knights' 3,200 relay team of Julissa Unzueta, Katerina Vasquez, Anna Gendusa and Bianca Arenas was third at 12:54.46.

Slavin was fourth in the 100 high hurdles at 18.28.

### IC Catholic Prep boys track

In a recent meet at Chicago Christian, IC Catholic Prep standout Jordan Rowell broke the school record in the long jump with a leap of 22-0 1/4.

### IC Catholic Prep baseball

The IC Catholic Prep baseball team split a pair of recent Metro Suburban Conference Blue Division games with Riverside-Brookfield.

In a 2-1 victory, the Knights led 1-0 heading into the seventh inning. R-B tied the game with a run in the top of the seventh, but IC Catholic Prep came right back with a run in the bottom of the seventh inning to win it. Matt Sutton's RBI single won it for the Knights.

Joey Salvi went 2-for-3 with a run scored. Griffen Eichhorn had two hits and walked once. Sutton had IC Catholic Prep's other hit. One of Eichhorn's hits was a double, while one of Salvi's was a triple. Brendan Russ had an RBI and a walk.

Russ also was the winning pitcher. He pitched a seven-inning complete game. He allowed only four hits, while striking out six and walking two. Russ needed only 70 pitches

to register the complete game (50 strikes).

The Knights then dropped a 5-4 game to R-B when the home team again scored a run in the bottom of the seventh to win it. IC Catholic Prep led 4-0 at one point.

Trey Morris had a hit, a walk and two runs scored. CJ West had two hits and a run scored. Austin Reed

walked twice. Russ had an RBI. John Hoffman had a hit, a run scored and two RBI. Salvi had two more hits, while Andrew Falduto had a hit. Hoffman stole two bases.

Austin Reed took the loss. He allowed only two earned runs in 6 2/3 innings of work. Reed fanned eight.

The Knights were 9-13 overall through late last week.

## Weekly SUDOKU

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Public Notice is hereby given that on 5-30-2017 at 9:00 in courtroom 2007, DuPage Judicial Center, 505 North County Farm Road, Wheaton, Illinois, I will have my petition heard in the said Court for the change of my name from:

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Date: April 14, 2017  
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Elmhurst Running Club

## Elmhurst Running Club Annual Newcomers Run Saturday, May 13th @ 8 a.m.

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# Addison seniors attend Spring Breakfast at Wesley

Local seniors visited Wesley School on Wednesday, April 26, for Addison School District 4's annual Spring Breakfast. Wesley Principal Katie Purse welcomed the guests and then shared information about ways in which students are using 'green-screen' technology to present a variety of classroom projects.

After breakfast was served by District 4 administrators, Principal Purse showed a number of video segments that demonstrated the green screen projects, with students in the upper grades giving region reports for social studies class. Lower grade-level students read or recited poems. Following the video presentation, Wesley 1st and 2nd grade students sang songs from their spring musical. The morning wrapped up with the Indian Trail Jazz Ensemble performing a set of jazz standards that had the guest's toes tapping.



Pictured is the Indian Trail Jazz Ensemble, which performed on Wednesday, April 26 at the annual Spring Breakfast for seniors. The group performed a set of popular jazz standards that had the guests' toes tapping.



Left: District 4 Superintendent John Langton coaches the 5th grade coffee servers on how to make their guests feel welcome at District 4's annual Spring Breakfast for seniors.

## Community calendar

Thursday, May 4

### • Marge Hall oil painting demonstration

Marge Hall will be giving an oil painting starting at 7:30 p.m. at Addison Village Hall, One Friendship Plaza, Room 1301. Info: call the Addison Art Guild at 630-924-1746.

### • Women's Club of Addison meeting

The Women's Club of Addison is meeting to hear President Diane Cozzi share some of her experiences in aviation. Diane is a licensed pilot and has been flying for many years. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at the Addison Village Hall, Room 1301-A, 1 Friendship Plaza. Guests are welcome. The Women's Club of Addison is primarily a service organization that works to support worthwhile charitable causes, enhance our local community and contribute to the personal growth of its members. For more information about membership, see the club's Facebook page.

### Ongoing events

#### • Homework help K through 12 available at the Library

Every Tuesday and Thursday from 3-5 p.m., come get help with your homework from librarians, teachers, college students, and volunteers at the Addison Public Library. Free snacks provided. Info: Call 630-458-3334 or visit [addisonlibrary.org](http://addisonlibrary.org)

#### • Get your high school diploma

The Addison Public Library is now offering adults the opportunity to earn an accredited high school diploma and career certificate online through a new program, Career On-

line High School (COHS). The library is providing a limited number of free scholarships to qualified adult learners who are looking to advance their careers, prepare for workforce entry, or continue their education. You must live in Addison and be 21 or older. Call 630-458-3334 or visit [addisonlibrary.org](http://addisonlibrary.org)

#### • Widows or Widowers (W.O.W.) meet each month

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

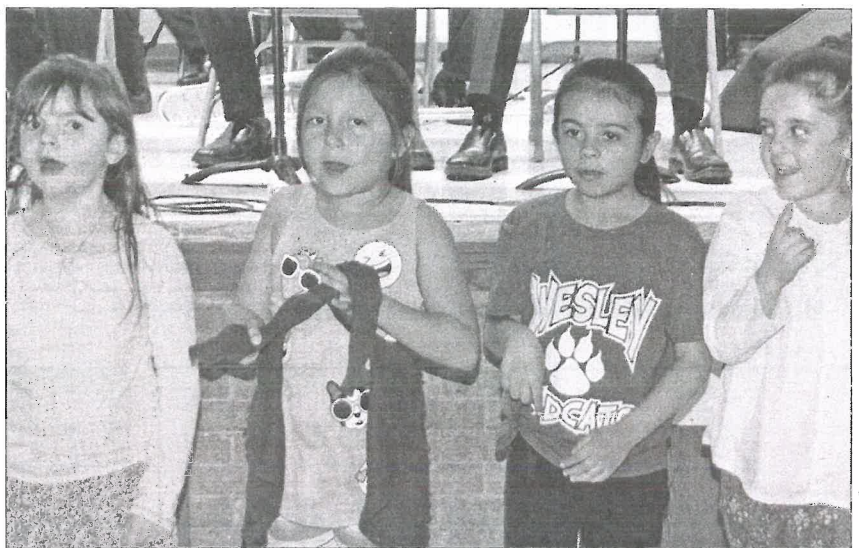
#### • Active Adults Senior Club

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

#### • TOPS meetings held on Friday mornings

Remember TOPS? Take Off Pounds Sensibly is still here helping and supporting people to lose weight. Meetings are held on Friday mornings at Grace Lutheran Church, 950 S. York Road, Bensenville. Weigh in 9:30 a.m., and meet from 10-11 a.m. Info: email Millie at [johnreiter@sbcglobal.net](mailto:johnreiter@sbcglobal.net)

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Above: Pictured are students from Wesley school who attended the District 4 Spring Breakfast for seniors and performed songs from their upcoming spring musical.

Below: The first and second grade students at Wesley School sang some of the musical numbers from their upcoming spring performance. The students performed at the District 4 senior Spring Breakfast.



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# Local Sports

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## Willowbrook stops Glenbard South

**By D.J. WANBERG**  
Daily Herald Correspondent

### Girls soccer

As both squads walked off the pitch after host Willowbrook beat Glenbard South 2-1 on Tuesday night, the teams were happy with their

respective lots approaching the postseason.

It was the regular-season finale for the Warriors (7-10-1). Coach Julio Del Real

said defense has been Willowbrook's strength all season and it will be crucial in the playoffs.

"I feel very good. Our defense gives us a good chance. And as long as we get some (offensive)

opportunities, we'll be in good shape," he said.

The Warriors' winning score came with 27:17 remaining in the game courtesy of Caitlyn Owen.

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urday's game with a minor ankle injury, gave the Redwings a boost with her rocket into the upper right corner of the net.

"I saw I was in shooting range," Gestor said. "I was hoping to aim far post top corner."

"I thought it was going out because of the spin and I was just ready to accept it and work hard to win it back again.

chasing the action they were dangerous. Benet goalie A

had to make 8 save a point-blank stop start Jade Eriksen-way through the Keefe gave up on that play, but defender Kate Fly the ground to block by Kiley McKee.



## Conner impresses first MLS start

in Schweinsteiger Chicago Fire team-rew Conner's singing k, but not as much as red Conner's play Saturday back.

s actually have very alities as a singer, rman superstar Sch-ger, who joined Con-Dax McCarty in sing-eventh-inning stretch k at Wrigley Field. "I lly impressed about rformance. But for me

he's more important at the fullback position."

Conner, 23, who grew up in Northwest suburban Cary, got his first MLS start in Saturday's 2-2 draw at Angeles Galaxy, play-bit out of position at k. Conner is naturally ve midfielder.

I thought Drew really well," McCa-l. "First start on the L.A. against some ally talented attack-rs in (Giovani) dos d (Gyasi) Zardes and Alessandrini.

ght he held his own ll. Probably saved a is in the first half on where he stayed with er and put a lot of on him."

was signed out of rsity of Wisconsin as own player through s youth academy. id-year pro did not MLS game in 2016. played in five MLS n 2017.

a couple of games belt beforehand defi-ed," Conner said.

/eljko Paunovic told first start in the air-way to Los Angeles. excited," Conner

id of had an idea it ng just because of is playing in training ot. But just excited d. I think I played . I thought my posi-s pretty good."



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### TAKE ON SOCCER

which he attributes more to confidence than technique.

"I'm not afraid to make mistakes anymore. Last year with Sean (Johnson, since traded) behind me," Lampson said — pausing to jokingly glare at teammate Bastian Schweinsteiger, who kicked a soccer ball at him — "with Sean behind me I knew that there was a ton of pressure for him to play; and at this point (as another soccer ball launched by the prankster Schweinsteiger hit Lampson in the back of the legs, causing another brief pause) I'm just confident and I'm just out there playing.

"I'm not afraid to make mistakes, and that's when I'm at my best. I'm just playing, and playing the game that I love to play and doing what I know I can do well."

Lampson, who played college soccer at Northern Illinois before transferring to Ohio State, said he learned Monday last week that he would start Saturday, but coach Veljko Paunovic hasn't said anything about this week's game yet.

#### Standing pat:

Fire general manager Nelson Rodriguez opted not to make any moves before the MLS primary transfer window closed Monday night. In fact it was a quiet night around the league, and he said he's not sure why.

"We had inquired about, I'd say, a half-dozen players," Rodriguez said. "We received two inquiries. But it was quiet."

The roster is pretty much set until the secondary transfer window opens July 10.

"We're happy with the group. I still think that this group can improve, and if it does, then I think some of the

## Wildcats out to extend DVC streak

By DAVE OBERHELMAN  
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### Track notes

Since Neuqua Valley joined the DuPage Valley Conference the Wildcats have gone 3 for 3 winning boys track and field championships, two indoors and one outdoors.

Thursday starting with field events at 4 p.m. Neuqua goes for the two-year, four-meet sweep at the site of its closest challenger this season, Wheaton Warrenville South.

In 2016 the Wildcats became the first team aside from either WW South or Wheaton North to win the outdoor DVC title in 25 years, since Naperville Central concluded a three-peat in 1990.

"We are trying to put the best team together that we can for the DVC meet while keeping in mind our plans for the sectional meet next week," said Neuqua coach Mike Kennedy, whose team topped four-time defending champion Wheaton North by 13 points in last year's outdoor championship.

"Our goal is certainly to win the DVC title, but that is always tough with the great competition in the DVC," Kennedy said.

Individually, several varsity conference champions return on the track: Metea Valley senior Alonzo Taylor-Jones in the 100-meter dash, Neuqua's Isaiah Robinson in the 800, Glenbard North's Jace James in the 110 hurdles, WW

South's Joe Zubak in the 300 hurdles.

Returning varsity field event winners are James in high jump, WW South pole vaulter Tom Ansel and Lake Park discus thrower Chago Basso.

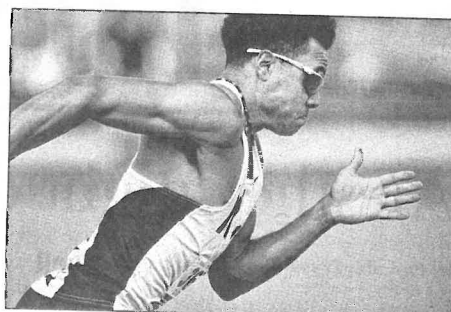
Basso is among a couple competitors who may target DVC records. His personal-best shot put is 61 feet, 1 inch. If the Alabama recruit were to match that he'd break one of the oldest records on the books, 60-11½ set in 1983. Having surpassed 185 feet in discus, Basso isn't far from the 2015 record of 190-8.

Ansel, the Tigers indoor and outdoor vault record holder, went 16-7 this indoor season, and has gone 15-7 outdoors. Both exceed the 1988 DVC varsity record of 15-5¾.

On May 5 at the DuPage County Meet, Glenbard North's James ran the 110-meter hurdles in 14.19 seconds and the 300 hurdles in 38.99 seconds; those times would have placed fourth and sixth, respectively, at the 2016 Class 3A finals. The conference frosh-soph record holder from 2015, James would have to top 13.94 in the 110s and 37.64 in the 300s.

Last year saw one record set, Glenbard North's since-graduated Devion Hodges in long jump at 23-6.

"If there's one thing I



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Neuqua Valley's Isaiah Robinson will try to lead the Wildcats to a second straight outdoor DuPage Valley Conference boys track championship on Thursday at Wheaton Warrenville South.

figured out last Friday is our conference has top-end athletes in almost every single event," said WW South coach Chris Arthurs, who is 4 for 4 in invite wins this season, including the county meet.

That doesn't include the Waubonsie Valley Red Ribbon, which was shortened by rain April 29 with Neuqua Valley on top. The Wildcats bring both numbers and impact individuals, including JaQuere Williams, the versatile sprinter Kennedy said will run the 400 at WW South after resting his legs for a month.

"I think as a coaching staff we all know it's going to be super-competitive on Thursday, and you try to put athletes in the best position you can to succeed and hope that things work out in your favor,"

Arthurs said.

#### Oddly consistent:

At the DuPage County meet, West Chicago junior C.J. Griffin ran the 110-meter hurdles in 15.88 seconds, matching exactly his season best to that point. A couple hours later, West Chicago senior Shane O'Connor ran the 300-meter hurdles in 41.52 seconds. Again, it was an exact match to O'Connor's season best.

In his first big outdoor invite of his senior year at Sandburg's Pete Struck Invitational on April 28, Hinsdale Central's Aleks Konstantinovic went 39-4½ in triple jump. To the half-inch, that matched Konstantinovic's best effort in the last big event of his junior year, the 2016 Class 3A Downers Grove North sectional.

## Soccer: Willowbrook heads to playoffs on positive note

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"Melissa Florey passed it to me. It went off me and I kicked in," she said.

Glenbard South (9-12) had tied the game just less than three minutes earlier when Sam Schutte converted a penalty kick after a push in the penalty area was called.

Willowbrook struck first in the first half with 9:23 remaining until halftime. Raiders goalkeeper Allie Jordan made a skillful stop on Lizzy Florey's shot, but there was a rebound and the ball hit the back of the net.

Warriors goalkeeper Zoe Ericson finished with 11 saves.

"(Glenbard South's A.J. Rose) and (Erin Haslett) really moved the ball back and forth near the net and Glenbard South's midfielders switched the ball from side to side well," Ericson said.

Willowbrook went into the game having lost to York 2-0 on Saturday, and Ericson said it was good to bounce back from that.

"(Tuesday's win) gives us a big amount of confidence. We lost to York and played phenomenal and we played phenomenal tonight," she said.

Willowbrook is seeded 12th in the Class 4A Downers Grove North sectional. The Warriors take on fifth-seeded Fenwick in York regional semifinal play May 17. Game time is 6:30 p.m.

As for Glenbard South, seeded sixth in the Class 2A Nazareth sectional, coach Kevin Berner is pleased how a young squad is coming together.

"We couldn't be more proud. We have five freshmen on the team. They've come in with incredible intensity and don't play like freshmen. They

keep improving," he said.

Besides Haslett, the other freshmen for the Raiders are Kate Gavin, Kelly Lupa, Abby Showalter and Molly Moutvic.

Four of those freshmen were in the starting lineup in addition to three sophomores.

"We're young and we're looking forward to the upcoming seasons, but we're going into these playoffs with tremendous confidence," Berner said.

The Raiders also open the postseason May 17 in their own regional. They take on 10th-seeded De La Salle in semifinal play at 6:30 p.m.