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Kermes Latino Fest returns

These photos are from a previous *Kermes Latino* food festival, which featured folkloric dance groups, face painting, games, traditional Latino dishes and more. On Nov. 11 from 12 noon to 4 p.m., Addison Trail will host its fourth annual Kermes, sponsored by Addison Trail's Interact Club and Padres Latinos en Acción group. The event will include special dishes, live entertainment, dancing, a disc jockey, raffles, an auction and family-friendly activities. Admission is free, and food tickets are \$6 each. Proceeds will go toward scholarships for Addison Trail students.



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Addison Art Guild Fall Members' Show on exhibit at the Addison Center for the Arts

The Addison Center for the Arts presents the Addison Art Guild Fall Members' Show on display Nov. 6 - Dec. 9. The artist reception is on Thursday, Nov. 6 from 7 - 8:30 p.m., when the best of show and other prizes will be awarded. There will be refreshments and a critique by the judge to follow, both free and open to the public.

"Our members have been hard at work getting ready for this show. Each year the art work gets better," commented AAG President, Margaret Bucholz.

The Addison Art Guild is 40 years old and welcomes new members,

visitors and supporters of the visual arts to join. The AAG meets on the second Thursday of the month from Sept. through May at 7:30 p.m. in rooms 1301 A & B at Addison Village Hall, located at One Friendship Plaza, Addison. The meeting/program begins, featuring a lecture or demonstration by a professional artist.

The Addison Center for the Arts gallery is located at 213 N. Lombard Road, Door #4, Addison. The gallery is adjacent to Addison Trail High School; parking is available in the north lot. The gallery is open Wednesday - Saturday 1-4 p.m.

AT senior recognized as School Winner by Wendy's High School Heisman

Addison Trail senior Nicci Scorza has been recognized as a School Winner by the Wendy's High School Heisman.

According to a press release from Wendy's High School Heisman, School Winners "... set the bar. They work harder, show more passion and lead by example - in the classroom, on the field and within the community." To be eligible for this award, applicants must maintain a GPA of 3.0 or above, be proven leaders and role models within their school and community and participate in an eligible sport.

As a School Winner, Scorza received a certificate and a Wendy's High School Heisman Patch. She was nominated by Addison Trail Physical Education and Health Department Chair Rob Schader for her leadership and involvement and the positive attitude/qualities she exemplifies. Scorza is a member of the Girls Basketball Team, the Girls Volleyball Team and the Softball Team. She also is Co-President of Addison Trail's Letterman Club, Publicist for Student Council and serves as a Blazer Ambassador to help freshmen transition to high school.

The Wendy's High School Heisman was created by Wendy's founder Dave

Thomas in 1994. Thomas dropped out of high school when he was 15 years old to work full time and went on to become one of the most successful entrepreneurs in history. While this nontraditional path led to his prosperity, it always worried Thomas that others would follow in his footsteps and expect to achieve similar fame and wealth by not finishing high school or attending college.

Faced with that dilemma, Thomas enrolled at Coconut Creek High School in Florida at 61 years old and received his GED. Inspired by this moment and with a desire to celebrate the outstanding achievements of youth in America, he launched the Wendy's High School Heisman program.

More than 20 years later, Wendy's High School Heisman has honored more than 600,000 of the nation's most esteemed high school seniors, who share Wendy's values of giving back to their communities, treating people with respect, continuing education and excelling on the athletic field. The Wendy's High School Heisman is a joint program between Wendy's and the Heisman Trophy Trust, host and custodians of the Heisman Memorial Trophy®. For more information about Wendy's, go to www.wendys.com.



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Pictured is Addison Trail senior Nicci Scorza, who has been recognized as a School Winner by the Wendy's High School Heisman. She's pictured with Addison Trail Physical Education and Health Department Chair Rob Schader, who nominated her for the award.



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Up on the roof

Third graders from Army Trail Elementary School took a tour of the Addison Public Library on Oct. 18. Their visit included a walk on the roof, peek behind Guest Services, and an up-close look at the library's 3D Printer.

Villa Park man who murdered Elmhurst woman likely to be released

State's Attorney attempts to deny release via SVP Commitment Act

By Dee Longfellow

FOR THE ADDISON INDEPENDENT

It was easy to sense the disappointment felt by DuPage County State's Attorney Robert Berlin when he released a statement regarding Thomas Kokoraleis, a person convicted in 1982 for the murder of Elmhurst resident Lorraine "Lorry" Borowski. Kokoraleis, a former resident of Villa Park, is likely to be released from prison soon.

Berlin's office previously reported it was attempting to keep Kokoraleis, a member of a notorious gang known as the Ripper Crew believed to be responsible for several murders in the 1980s, in custody through the Sexual Violent Persons (SVP) Commitment Act. The Act would allow the state to keep Kokoraleis behind bars 'if proven beyond a reasonable doubt that the person suffers from a mental disorder that makes the person dangerous' and that it is "substantially probable" that the person will commit another act or acts of sexual violence.

Last week, Berlin released the following statement:

"My office, along with the Illinois Attorney General's Office, has worked closely with experts to determine whether it is legally possible for the State to prove to a court that Kokoraleis meets the requirements to be found a sexually violent person in order to be civilly committed after he has served his criminal sentence," the statement read. "The Sexually Violent Persons (SVP) Commitment

Act requires proof beyond a reasonable doubt that a person suffers from a mental disorder, and that mental disorder makes him dangerous such that it is substantially probable the person will commit acts of sexual violence.

"After evaluations by highly experienced psychiatrists and psychologists found Kokoraleis does not meet the necessary criteria, we are unable to ethically bring a petition to find that he is sexually violent under Illinois law."

Background on the case

Thomas' brother Andrew Kokoraleis was convicted of the murders of Lorraine "Lorry" Borowski and Rose Davis, was sentenced to death back in 1982 and was executed in 1999. Edward Spreitzer, another member of the Ripper Crew gang, was convicted of the murders of Linda Sutton, Shui Mak, Rose Davis, Sandra Delaware and Raphael Tiradao about that time and is currently serving a natural life prison sentence with no possibility of parole. Spreitzer was originally given a death sentence that was commuted when then-Governor George Ryan commuted all death sentences in Illinois. Robin Gecht was convicted of the attempted murder, rape, aggravated kidnapping and deviate sexual assault of a woman and is not eligible for parole until 2042.

Thomas Kokoraleis was convicted of the 1982 murder of Lorraine "Lorry" Borowski based on an accountability theory, which means that he was held accountable for the acts committed by other individu-

als - Andrew Kokoraleis and Edward Spreitzer - that resulted in Ms. Borowski's death. Kokoraleis admitted to participating in Ms. Borowski's abduction. While he denied he was involved in her rape and murder, Kokoraleis admitted he was present while Andrew Kokoraleis and Spreitzer raped and murdered Ms. Borowski. He was sentenced to 70 years in prison. Based on Illinois laws in effect at the time he was sentenced in 1986, Kokoraleis served 50 percent of his sentence and was scheduled to enter mandatory supervised release in September of 2017.

According to Berlin's office, the SVP Commitment Act authorizes the State to file a petition for civil commitment after a person has completed his criminal sentence if the individual meets specific criteria. To establish that criteria, the State must present testimony from qualified forensic psychiatrists or clinical psychologists. In evaluating the individual for a mental disorder, the law requires the experts to rely on evidence of acts of sexual violence that the individual himself committed. This evidence must come from the trial court record or other reliable sources.

As previously referenced, Thomas Kokoraleis did not meet these criteria. Because the criteria for requiring an individual to register as a sex offender is different than the SVP Act requirements, Kokoraleis will be required to register as a sex offender when he is ultimately released from custody of the Illinois Department of Corrections. It has not been reported where he will live.

Willowbrook football team wins playoff opener

Warriors girls cross-country runner Palma qualifies for state finals

By Mike Miazga
CORRESPONDENT

The Willowbrook football team opened the playoffs on a high note with a 44-21 victory over Deerfield in a Class 6A first-round contest in Villa Park.

The win moved Willowbrook to 9-1 overall. The Warriors, the No. 4 seed in the top half of the Class 6A bracket, host No. 5 seed DeKalb (8-2) either Friday or Saturday in Villa Park. Check IHSA.org for exact day and time. DeKalb advanced after a 38-28 win over Montini.

Willowbrook left little doubt early, jumping out to a 23-0 lead and holding a 44-0 lead at halftime.

Jack Jessen scored Willowbrook's first touchdown via a 45-yard run. Betty-Ann Garrett kicked the extra point.

Quarterback John Taylor scored on a 58-yard rushing touchdown and Garrett hit the point after to put Willowbrook up 14-0 with nine minutes left in the first quarter.

After Sam Tumilty recovered a fumble and Deerfield intercepted a Willowbrook pass, the Warriors forced a safety to make it 16-0.

Taylor then threw an 18-yard touchdown pass to No. 18 to put Willowbrook up 23-0 (with Garrett's extra point).

A Chris Diaz rushing touchdown from one yard out put Willowbrook up 30-0 with 11 minutes left in the first half.

Nick Sabatino then returned an interception 56 yards for a touchdown to give the Warriors a 37-0 lead with six minutes left in the half. Jessen capped the scoring with a five-yard touchdown run.

Willowbrook girls cross country

Willowbrook junior Victoria Palma will run in this Saturday's Class

3A girls' cross-country state finals meet after finishing 18th at the recent Class 3A Lake Park sectional.

Palma ran 18:20.05 and earned one of the individual state-qualifying berths.

Junior Daylee Braden finished 63rd with a time of 19:14.62.

Addison Trail girls cross country

Addison Trail freshman Viviana Sanfilippo finished 105th at the recent Class 3A Lake Park girls' cross-country sectional. She covered the course in 20:05.28.

Willowbrook boys cross country

Willowbrook junior Matt Caron finished 53rd at the Class 3A Lake Park boys cross-country sectional. Caron ran 16:00.57 and had an average mile pace of 5:21.

Addison Trail boys cross country

Addison Trail senior Luis Vargas took 89th at the recent Class 3A Lake Park boys cross-country

sectional with a time of 16:33.27. Vargas had an average mile time of 5:32.

Willowbrook boys golf

The Willowbrook boys golf team finished the season with a 7-5 dual-meet record and took third at the West Suburban Conference Gold Division tournament. Willowbrook finished fourth overall in the conference.

Taylor Sarovich and Buddy Martens earned all-WSC Gold honors. Sarovich led the team in 18-hole average at 84.8.

"This was our best season in a very long time, around 10-15 years," said Willowbrook coach Gary Walker. "We had two sectional qualifiers in Taylor and Joey Guthrie for the first time since 2010."

Walker noted the team defeated both Hinsdale South and Downers Grove South in the regional after losing to both in conference dual meets and at the conference tournament.

"We shot our season-low of 324 at regionals," said Walker. "Even better, next year we return everyone except Buddy Martens and Tim Keefe. We will be ready to pick up where we left off. These kids decided they wanted to compete. It's as simple as that. Our team is full of athletes and when they decide they want to compete, they will all do great things."

Addison Trail girls volleyball

The Addison Trail girls volleyball team opened postseason play with a 25-16, 25-12 win over Proviso West in quarterfinal action of the Class 4A Proviso West regional in Hillside.

The Blazers then lost 25-12, 25-17 to eventual regional-champion St. Francis in the semifinals at Proviso West.

Willowbrook girls volleyball

The Willowbrook girls volleyball team lost 25-19, 25-22 to Glenbard North in quarterfinal action of the Class 4A Downers Grove North regional.

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Linden Oaks' Dr. Aaron Weiner hopes presidential declaration eases stigma of opioid addiction

The opioid epidemic continues to destroy lives every day. From 2010 to 2016, there has been an almost 500 percent increase in opioid use disorder, according to a recent study of Blue Cross and Blue Shield members.



Dr. Aaron Weiner

On Thursday, Oct. 26, President Donald Trump declared the opioid epidemic a public health emergency.

"While this declaration will help draw attention to the problem and provide some additional resources, the more powerful statement will be the way we talk about addiction every day," says Aaron Weiner, PhD, Director, Addiction Services, Linden Oaks Behavioral Health. "That we're not calling people addicts or junkies anymore. When we don't stigmatize people for this."

Dr. Weiner says the stigma surrounding opioid addiction kills a vast number of people. Many people taking pain pills are afraid to share that they're addicted, worried about what their family or their physician will say. They keep the addiction a secret, which can prove deadly.

In 2016, Edward-Elmhurst Health launched an Opioid Task Force to curb opioid addiction. The Task Force operates in tandem with the Illinois Department of Public Health's action plan, which consists of three pillars: Prevention, Treat-

ment and Recovery, and Crisis Response.

"We recently released a set of comprehensive prescribing guidelines for our physicians across all specialties, providing them with a best-practice model for how to prescribe narcotic medications for both acute and chronic pain," says Dr. Weiner.

Edward-Elmhurst is asking its employed physicians to obtain training in how to prescribe opioid medication by July 1, 2018, and is providing in-person and online learning opportunities to meet this expectation.

In addition, Edward-Elmhurst has upgraded its electronic medical record system to integrate the Illi-

nois Prescription Drug Monitoring Program, and designed a dosage calculator to help physicians better understand the amount of opioids they are prescribing if they opt to prescribe multiple, or stronger, medications, such as Norco and OxyContin.

In support of treatment, Linden Oaks Behavioral Health, the psychiatric service provider for Edward-Elmhurst Health, has opened a long-term medication assisted therapy (MAT) clinic, adding to its existing continuum of behavioral health services.

"Recovery from opioid addiction is a long-term endeavor, and research tells us that the use of targeted medications, such as Sub-

oxone, dramatically increases a patient's chances of success," says Dr. Weiner. "Expanding access to Suboxone and similar opioid maintenance medications is imperative, and we hope other healthcare institutions, as well as independent physicians will join us in offering these services to our patients in need."


The MAT program is open to anyone who is motivated to stop using opioids. No physician referral is needed. Some people can begin their treatment journey at the clinic. Others use it as a step-down from a more intensive treatment level.

"Lastly, if someone overdoses, we all must be ready to respond and save their life," says Dr. Weiner. "Our emergency department

records show that overdoses do not discriminate by age – both young and old come to Edward and Elmhurst Hospitals having overdosed, from heroin, fentanyl or prescription medications."

Dr. Weiner says having naloxone, commonly referred to as Narcan, on hand in the event of an emergency can save someone's life – it is the antidote to an overdose, averting death for 30-90 minutes, enough time for an ambulance to arrive.

For more information, visit: eehealth.org/services/behavioral-health/specialties/addiction For immediate assistance and a free and confidential behavioral health assessment, call the Linden Oaks 24/7 Help Line at (630) 305-5027.




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Business professionals present during Addison Trail's Career Week, which took place from Oct. 24 to 27 in collaboration with Junior Achievement of Chicago. They shared information about their background, education and daily work life to give students insight into various career fields. Pictured are (top) Gina Chiovino, a chef at Hyatt Regency O'Hare; (bottom) Collin Bullock, General Manager of School of Rock Elmhurst.

Addison Trail holds annual Career Week

As part of its commitment to provide opportunities that help prepare students for post-high school success, the Addison Trail Guidance Department hosted its annual Career Week from Oct. 24 to 27.

Throughout the week, business professionals shared information about their background, education and daily work life to give students insight into a variety of career fields.

Teachers chose speakers who matched their subject area to assist students in connecting class instruction to real-world career possibilities. Guest presenters spoke with students about a variety of jobs and answered their questions. This is the fourth year

Addison Trail partnered with Junior Achievement of Chicago to offer representation from companies and organizations throughout the Chicago area.

Twenty-five speakers presented during Career Week, and 68 classes and 1,663 students participated. Career fields/professions that were showcased included culinary, engineering, manufacturing, scientist, radio disc jockey, bilingual professions and more.

For questions or more information about Career Week, contact Addison Trail Guidance Counselor John Cord at jcord@dupage88.net or 630-628-3325.



Above: A 4th grader helps a first grader place his Chrome Book inside the case each student was given to transport their computers to and from home. District 4 students in grades 1, 4 and 7 were given the units to use for the remainder of the school year.



Left: At the District 4 elementary school buildings, 4th graders like this one showed first graders how to plug in their new units. The older children who had already received their Chrome Books helped the younger students how to care for their new machines.

District 4 students receive Chrome Books

Part of student technology roll out

Addison School District 4 students in grades 1, 4, and 7 have been receiving Chrome Books during the past two weeks as part of the district's student technology rollout. Students were instructed about their responsibilities in the care of their devices. The computers were checked out using each school library's inventory control/ check out system before students had the opportunity to practice inserting the device in its carrying case. Students will be responsible for charging their devices every night at home.

At the elementary school buildings, 4th graders who had already received their Chrome Books assisted the younger students as staff showed the 1st graders how to care for their new machines.

Staff members whose students have the individual devices have

received training on ways in which they can use these machines to enhance learning. Additional professional development opportunities are planned for teachers to learn and share information about fully utilizing the computers.

"It was so exciting to see their faces light up as they worked on our first project," said Fullerton School 1st grade teacher Dena Seidenfuss, after of working with students on a lesson where they created a monster, using the touch screen and the device's sound recording capability. "There is so much we'll be able to do with these!"

All 1st, 4th and 7th graders will return their devices to school before summer vacation.

When they return to school in fall, they will be given the same device they used during the 2017-18 school year.

This is the first year of a 3-year rollout plan. At the end of three years all District 4 students will have individual devices to use for schoolwork.



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These District 4 students stand in line to check out their new Chrome Books from the school library. The computers used each school library's inventory control/ check out system before students had the opportunity to practice inserting the device in its carrying case. Students will be responsible for charging their devices every night at home.

Addison Trail-Willowbrook girls swimming team making strides

By Mike Miazga
CORRESPONDENT

The Addison Trail-Willowbrook co-op girls swimming team has made progress throughout the season as it now prepares for the Downers Grove South sectional meet next weekend.

AT-Willowbrook headed into the West Suburban Conference Gold Division meet with a 2-2-1 conference record and 2.5 conference points.

"We have a younger team this year, for sure," said AT-Willowbrook coach Tara Murphy. "We have a lot of juniors and not a lot of seniors and a lot of freshmen."

Murphy said this year's team is one of the program's largest ever with 43 swimmers.

"We're bigger than we have been in the past," she said. "It's about the most we've ever had and for the first time it's pretty even between girls coming from Willowbrook and Ad-

disson Trail."

On an individual level, Willowbrook junior Elissa Haake is having a strong season. Murphy said Haake was shooting for the 35-year-old conference record in the 100 this past weekend.

"She's already been under the cut," said Murphy, who noted Haake has swam 53.16 in the event this season. "Elissa is quite a bit better than last year. Her 50 and 100 times are largely better this year."

Addison Trail freshman Nancy Obrzut also has enjoyed a strong first high-school season. Her sister, Natalie, a junior, also is on the team but is recovering from an injury.

"Nancy has been strong overall," said Murphy. "She's gone from being in the 30 range (in the 50) to being in the 26 range after never having swam in the winter."

Fellow Addison Trail freshman

Nell Pawlowski also has been a bright spot for AT-Willowbrook. "Nell has been an all-around surprise for us since the beginning of the season," said Murphy. "She's doing a nice job."

Addison Trail senior Michelle Ramirez and Willowbrook junior Anna Christiansen are part of a 200 freestyle relay team that Murphy said has an outside chance at a state berth. Christiansen also does the backstroke for the team.

"Anna has a great backstroke for us," said Murphy. "The 200 relay team is a long-shot for state, but that 200 free relay race is crazy. Anything can happen."

Murphy said she was looking for girls in the current taper group to turn in better times at the conference meet this past weekend. "We always expect the taper group to drop their times and with the group that will be

swimming at the sectional (not tapered yet) it's who happens to step up. But anybody in that taper group we're looking for good things out of."

Overall, Murphy has been pleased

with how the season has unfolded. "I'm definitely happy with our progress," she said. "Last year was kind of a tough year. This year has been a smooth year. We are going in a pretty good direction."

DeKalb (8-2) at Willowbrook (9-1)

What: Second round of the Class 6A state football playoffs

When: Friday or Saturday (check IHSA.org for date and time)

Where: Willowbrook High School, Villa Park

Seeds: DeKalb is the No. 5 seed on the top half of the Class 6A bracket; Willowbrook is the No. 4 seed

Last week: DeKalb 38, Montini 28; Willowbrook 44, Deerfield 21

Up next: The winner faces either No. 1 seed Prairie Ridge or No. 9 seed Cary-Grove

Outlook: Willowbrook made short work of Deerfield in the first round, jumping out to a 44-0 lead at half-time. The Warriors now encounter a DeKalb team that ruined a potential neighborhood Montini-Willowbrook game by upending the Broncos 38-28. The Barbs play in the Northern Illinois Big 12 Conference East Division, where it shared the conference title with Morris and Kaneland. The Barbs have faced six teams with winning records (at the end of the regular season) and have a 4-2 mark. DeKalb is 2-2 in road games this season. The Barbs played a neutral-site game at their former home of NIU Huskie Stadium against Sycamore. If Willowbrook defeats DeKalb, it will hit the road regardless of if its quarterfinal opponent is No. 1 seed Crystal Lake Prairie Ridge or No. 9 seed Cary-Grove. Both teams play in the Fox Valley Conference and both are part of District 155 in McHenry County. In fact, Prairie Ridge draws some students from the town of Cary.

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Scouting this weekend's playoff football games

Class 8A

No. 9 Oswego (9-1) at
No. 8 Glenbard West (9-1)

Game time: 1 p.m. Saturday at Glenbard East.
Last week: Oswego 28, No. 24 Naperville North 14; Glenbard West 42, No. 25 Bloom 12.

Outlook: Panthers 6-foot-2, 200-pound running back Chris Coleman rushed for more than 300 yards on 29 carries as Oswego bulldozed past Naperville North. Glenbard West hasn't faced a power run game like this, and it'll be a test to stand up to it. The Hilltoppers hope a healthy rotation of defensive linemen, and a return from injury by Aidan O'Keefe, will help. Moving the game to Glenbard East helps Glenbard West's speed on offense. While Dre Thomas leads the team with 144 carries, 961 yards and 18 touchdowns, Tyquan Cox isn't far behind and is a speed demon on the edge. Avoiding Iowa-bound Oswego defensive lineman Noah Shannon is important, as is loosening up the defense with standout receiver Alec Pierce.

Advancement: The winner advances to the Class 8A quarterfinals against the winner between No. 1 Lincoln-Way East and No. 17 St. Charles East.

No. 13 Naperville Central (8-2) at
No. 4 Homewood-Flossmoor (9-1)

Game time: 7 p.m. Friday.
Last week: Naperville Central 35, No. 20 West Aurora 14; Homewood-Flossmoor 28, No. 29 Lake Park 7.

Outlook: Naperville Central's found success against 3-5-3 defenses, and this is another crack at it. Even with receivers Tommy Coyne and Jared Suchevis out with injuries, Redhaws quarterback Payton Thorne, who's thrown for 1,924 yards, found Jayden Reed in space last week. A.J. Deinhart continues to run for tough yardage behind lineman Luke Hallstrom. Everyone knows Northern Illinois-bound Justin Hall is the player to stop for the Vikings, but good luck doing it. Last week he rushed for 285 yards and 4 touchdowns. He's also dangerous on special teams. Lavar Archibald and the Redhaws' defensive line will try slowing him while the offense, which ran only 44 plays last week, will try to keep him off the field.

Advancement: The winner advances to the Class 8A quarterfinals against the winner between No. 5 Maine South and No. 21 Warren.

No. 11 Hinsdale Central (8-2)
at No. 6 Loyola (9-1)

Game time: 1 p.m. Saturday.
Last week: Hinsdale Central 33, No. 22 Stevenson 21; Loyola 35, No. 27 New Trier 32.

Outlook: The Red Devils' first-round win was highlighted by the return from injury of quarterback Matt Rush. His role likely expands this week with Indiana-bound tight end Matt Bjornson and receiver J.T. Kolke. The offense still revolves around the running tandem of Luke Skokna and Garrett Oakley, however. Loyola is a dangerous team this time of year. First because the Ramblers, winners of nine straight, continue to get healthy. Second, Loyola boasts three title game appearances in the last four years and holds a 27-7 playoff record since 2009. A three-headed ground game is led by Hamid Bullie, Trevor Cabanban and quarterback Quinn Boyle. The Red Devils' defense, led by linebacker Aidan Cruickshank, is a definite team strength.

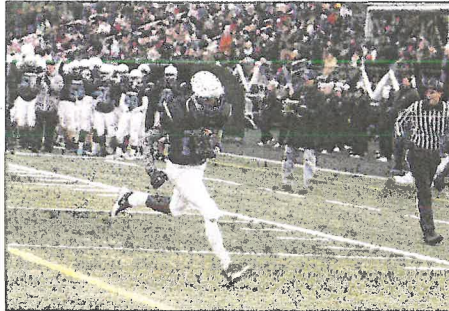
Advancement: The winner advances to the Class 8A quarterfinals against the winner between No. 3 Marist and No. 19 Curie.

Class 7A

No. 1 Hononegah (10-0)
at No. 17 Bensl (7-3)

Game time: 6:30 p.m. Saturday at Benedictine University in Lisle.
Last week: Hononegah 42, No. 32 Harlem 21; Bensl 35, No. 16 Maine West 13.

Outlook: Hononegah hasn't been challenged all season, but it's its tough to judge the NIC-10 champion because it hasn't played no one outside the conference. That includes a first-round win over Harlem. Bensl's defense is ready for anything at this point. The line of Jack Benish, Griffin Sturtz, Jack Kipp and Jacob Snell helped the Redwings notch 9 sacks last week. Hononegah quarterback Ryan Vanschevlin averages about 15 passes a game, while Davonte Washington and Isaiah Richardson have combined for 1,560 rushing yards and 17 touchdowns. Bensl's offense made a concerted effort to get the ground game going, and it paid off with Michael Wymer, who



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Willowbrook will host DeKalb on Saturday afternoon in a Class 6A second-round playoff game in Villa Park.

Class 6A

No. 5 DeKalb (8-2) at
No. 4 Willowbrook (9-1)

Game time: 1:30 p.m. Saturday.
Last week: DeKalb 38, No. 12 Montini 28; Willowbrook 44, No. 13 Deerfield 21.

Outlook: DeKalb's offense scored 24 unanswered points last week while rallying to an opening-round win. The Barbs rolled up 454 total yards, including 306 on the ground with quarterback Noah Vain and Jaylen Hobson each rushing for more than 100 yards. Willowbrook's starters got a full half of rest last week, so the Barbs will face a fresh defense. In just a half of work, lineman Kevin Dobbins notched 9 tackles and 2.5 sacks. Willowbrook's offense has explosive potential with running backs Jack Jessen, who's rushed for 1,729 yards, and Chris Diaz. Quarterback John Taylor has multiple targets in receivers Sikander Zafar, Jacob Entwistle, Martique Barksdale and others. The offensive line must limit Barbs lineman Ahmad Baker-McElroy.

Advancement: The winner advances to the Class 6A quarterfinals against the winner between No. 1 Prairie Ridge and No. 9 Cary-Grove.

No. 8 St. Laurence (7-3) at
No. 16 Hinsdale South (6-4)

Game time: 6 p.m. Saturday.
Last week: St. Laurence 48, No. 9 Quincy 28; Hinsdale South 28, No. 1 Crete-Monee 20.

Outlook: What more can be said about Hinsdale South's upset of the top seed in the southern bracket of 6A, other than the Hornets appear capable of anything this postseason. After surviving one tough defensive challenge against Crete-Monee, Hinsdale South must slow down St. Laurence running back Tori Clinton. Last week he rushed for a program record 400 yards and 5 touchdowns while also becoming the program's all-time leading rusher. Hornets defensive linemen Oshikal Ebikhumli and Chris Mosley have been tough all season. Hornets stellar receiver Destin Talbert showed his defensive skills by snaring 2 interceptions last week. He and running back Marquese Garrett will try to keep the offense rolling.

Advancement: The winner advances to the Class 6A quarterfinals against the winner between No. 13 Providence and No. 5 Normal Community West.

Class 5A

No. 14 Marian Central (6-4)
at No. 11 Glenbard North (6-4)

Game time: 3 p.m. Saturday.
Last week: Marian Central 31, No. 3 Antioch 9; Glenbard South 49, No. 6 Payton 31.

Outlook: Glenbard South coach Ryan Crissey predicted Marian Central's first-round win. The Hurricanes are physical up front with tackle Kevin Herbst and guard Dan Dusik and have been in playoff mode for a month after four straight losses in the tough East Suburban Catholic Conference. Back Scott Gavin heads the run game, but coach Mike Maloney likes balance in his "power spread" offense, quarterback A.J. Golembiewski's 1,361 yards passing more than Marian's 1,348 yards rushing. He'll be throwing into a Raiders secondary that is a team strength, picking off Payton three times last week. Glenbard South's offensive got mirrors that game, when linemen Jon Lavin, Jake Jochums and Brandon Ertmeyer paced 459 yards rushing. Advancement: The winner advances to the Class 5A quarterfinals

DuPage County football statistics

SCORING
Player (school) TD PATY FG TP
Edman (C) 22 0 3 0 138
Jessen (Wk) 21 0 0 0 128
Simpson (W) 19 0 0 0 114
Young (WWS) 19 0 0 0 114
Thomas (G) 19 0 0 0 108
D'Ambrase (AT) 14 0 0 0 84
Reed (C) 14 0 0 0 84
Skokna (C) 14 0 0 0 84
Talbert (HS) 14 0 0 0 84
Crouch (GS) 12 0 0 0 78
Butts (Fm) 12 0 1 0 74
Calcagno (NW) 12 0 1 0 74
Bennett (C) 12 0 0 0 74
Orlando (Mon) 12 0 0 0 72
Harris (L) 12 0 0 0 70
Zrubecky (N) 11 0 2 0 70
Franklin (C) 11 0 0 0 66
Bjornson (C) 11 0 0 0 64
Carstens (WA) 10 0 0 0 60
Cox (W) 10 0 0 0 60
Shelby (DGN) 10 0 0 0 60
Garrett (Wk) 10 0 47 0 56
Dover (W) 9 0 0 0 54
Davis (N) 9 0 0 0 54
Khalil Saunders (C) 9 0 0 0 54
Hallstrom (C) 0 39 0 4 51
Mackenzie (C) 0 48 0 61 47
VanderKolk (WA) 5 15 0 21 51
Khalil Saunders (C) 7 0 4 0 50
Diaz (W) 7 0 0 0 48
Allyson (W) 8 0 0 0 48
Jay Fitzpatrick (W) 0 0 48 0 47
Corney (Mon) 0 44 0 1 47
Hegranes (W) 1 23 0 0 47
Dressford (L) 0 19 0 0 46
Ruiz (NW) 0 25 0 7 46
Flores (B) 7 0 0 0 44
West (C) 7 0 1 0 44
Adams (GE) 7 0 0 0 42
Anfieri (W) 7 0 0 0 42
Boyle (B) 7 0 0 0 42
Gillespie (B) 7 0 0 0 42
Harbeck (L) 7 0 0 0 42
Johnson (GS) 7 0 0 0 42
Karczewski (Mon) 7 0 0 0 42
Rupauch (W) 6 0 0 0 38
Laurenzo (N) 6 0 0 0 38
Maschmeyer (N) 1 28 0 1 37
Baldwin (West) 6 0 0 0 36
Griffin (W) 6 0 0 0 36
Mama (C) 6 0 0 0 36
Olson (W) 6 0 0 0 36
Cugale (Mon) 6 0 0 0 36
Guevara (W) 6 0 0 0 36
Grygo (AT) 2 19 0 1 34
Chandler (W) 0 2 0 0 32
Holmes (W) 0 29 0 0 32
Barton (N) 0 13 0 0 31
Car (DGN) 0 2 0 0 30
Corney (B) 5 0 0 0 30
Jones (W) 5 0 0 0 30
Hickey (W) 5 0 0 0 30
Johnson (B) 5 0 0 0 30
Lambert (DGS) 5 0 0 0 30
Logan (W) 5 0 0 0 30
McClintock (GS) 5 0 0 0 30
Nergle (Mon) 5 0 0 0 30
Galecki (W) 5 0 0 0 30
Taylor (W) 5 0 0 0 30
Thorne (C) 5 0 0 0 30
Wentz (L) 5 0 0 0 30
Helous (L) 0 16 0 4 28
Coyne (C) 4 0 1 0 28
Seraman (W) 4 0 0 1 26
Barksdale (Wk) 4 0 0 0 24
Bustika (GS) 4 0 0 0 24
Carvalho (L) 4 0 0 0 24
Erwin (Wk) 4 0 0 0 24
Eschenbach (B) 4 0 0 0 24
Garrett (Fm) 4 0 0 0 24
Harmon (WA) 4 0 0 0 24
Kolke (C) 4 0 0 0 24
Morphy (W) 4 0 0 0 24
Pacione (L) 4 0 0 0 24
Hech (GS) 0 15 0 0 24
Robinson (W) 4 0 0 0 24
Schlicher (West) 4 0 0 0 24
Smith (HS) 4 0 0 0 24
Smith (L) 4 0 0 0 24
Strank (DGS) 4 0 0 0 24
Stitt (L) 4 0 0 0 24
Tolbert (W) 4 0 0 0 24
Wallace (C) 4 0 0 0 24
Westwood (W) 4 0 0 0 24
Buhle (C) 3 0 0 0 22
Murray (W) 3 0 0 0 20
Humphrey (W) 2 0 4 0 20
Byers (DGN) 3 0 0 0 18
Chiappetta (Y) 3 0 0 0 18
Cox (W) 3 0 0 0 18
D'Ambrase (GS) 3 0 0 0 18
Despot (W) 3 0 0 0 18
Dolente (W) 3 0 0 0 18
Fernandez (C) 3 0 0 0 18
Frederick (W) 3 0 0 0 18
Gibson (W) 3 0 0 0 18
Harrison (DGN) 3 0 0 0 18
Henry (GS) 3 0 0 0 18
Henderson (G) 3 0 0 0 18
Hertman (W) 3 0 0 0 18
Hughes (W) 3 0 0 0 18
Kiffin (L) 3 0 0 0 18
Nixon (L) 3 0 0 0 18
Oberl (GE) 3 0 0 0 18
Provanzano (DGS) 3 0 0 0 18
Reid (B) 3 0 0 0 18
Sheller (W) 3 0 0 0 18
Sizemore (W) 3 0 0 0 18
Shockey (GS) 3 0 0 0 18
Thompson (West) 3 0 0 0 18
West (W) 3 0 0 0 18
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Wilkinson (N) 3 0 0 0 18
Zafar (Wk) 3 0 0 0 18

Player (school) Yds. TD Avg.
Laurenzo (N) 71 10 13 6 14.3
Laurenzo (N) 59 7 12 6 12.6
Adams (GE) 54 8 36 7 15.5
Cox (W) 43 10 38 14 20.6
Reed (C) 48 9 37 10 20.1
Mirabito (Fm) 43 4 39 5 11.5
West (W) 41 11 12 9 12.9
Stebbins (WWS) 38 5 9 11 8.2
Carstens (WA) 37 6 45 11 8.4
Nixon (L) 35 5 33 3 15.2
Khalil Saunders (C) 35 3 32 3 11.7
Barton (N) 35 3 32 3 11.7
Zafar (Wk) 33 5 6 3 17.2
Robinson (W) 32 5 24 10 16.7
Eschenbach (B) 32 5 21 4 16.3
Cole (W) 31 11 43 13 13.3
West (Weston) 30 4 11 12 9
Corney (C) 30 4 40 4 15.3
Olson (W) 30 3 36 3 12.7
Corney (B) 28 5 36 3 12.7
Provanzano (DGS) 28 2 42 3 8.6
McClintock (GS) 27 4 27 3 11.5
Shockey (GE) 25 4 29 3 17.2
Koyes (B) 25 2 30 3 15.2
Harris (L) 24 3 30 3 15.0
Padrota (GS) 24 3 11 1 13.0
Wentz (L) 24 3 0 0 24
Khalil Saunders (C) 23 4 11 1 11.5
Anfieri (W) 23 4 0 0 24
Eich (W) 22 4 7 5 11.7
Heinz (NW) 22 4 2 1 19.0
Stebbins (W) 22 3 33 3 11.8
Lyon (C) 22 3 1 1 17.3
Thompson (West) 22 2 7 3 12.3
Smith (L) 21 4 0 0 21
Humphrey (W) 22 2 24 2 10.2
Khalil Saunders (C) 21 3 17 3 11.8
Wentz (N) 21 2 3 3 13.4
Simpson (WWS) 21 2 30 1 11.0
Erwin (Wk) 21 2 30 1 11.0
Simpson (WWS) 21 2 30 1 11.0
Carroll (L) 21 2 0 0 21.0
Barksdale (Wk) 20 3 5 4 17.9
Frederick (W) 20 2 22 3 11.1
Benson (W) 19 4 2 1 16.0
Flowers (G) 19 3 1 1 16.6
Young (WWS) 19 2 26 1 11.9
King (Fm) 19 2 0 3 10.7
Pacione (L) 18 3 6 4 20.2
Bjornson (C) 18 3 30 1 15.0
Wentz (N) 18 3 23 2 18.3
Fernandez (W) 18 2 30 1 11.1
Falciano (W) 17 2 32 3 17.2
Brew (D) 17 1 18 1 18.9
Candler (Wk) 16 3 4 4 24.0
Stitt (L) 16 3 4 4 21.5
Falciano (W) 16 2 19 1 17.2
Hispald (C) 15 3 6 7 24.1
Lyon (C) 15 3 1 1 15.0
Heavey (DGS) 14 2 41 3 17.2
Shelly (DGN) 14 2 27 1 16.2
Allyson (W) 14 2 27 1 16.2
Sabatino (Wk) 13 2 24 2 14.0
Chandler (Y) 13 1 13 1 13.6
Oakley (C) 13 2 23 2 17.9
Murray (GS) 13 2 26 4 17.4
Rose (Mon) 13 1 23 1 16.9
Edman (C) 12 3 6 5 30.4
Arthur (WWS) 12 2 4 5 25.4
West (W) 12 2 3 3 23.7

PASSING
Player (school) C A Yds. TD Int.
Davis (N) 198 314 2724 6 26
Thorne (C) 114 191 1924 5 22
Westwood (W) 129 205 1879 11 16
Harris (WWS) 135 222 1863 11 11
Belles (L) 147 270 1837 11 13
Kozlov (HS) 113 211 1715 9 16
Escholt (W) 118 194 1590 4 14
Taylor (Wk) 92 151 1459 5 11
Thorne (W) 89 162 1434 10 9
West (C) 60 95 1396 2 22
Crouch (GS) 106 180 1353 9 11
Bustika (GS) 93 183 1225 5 9
Cecoppa (Fm) 102 180 1075 13 10
Orlando (Mon) 66 105 1034 9 9
Baldwin (West) 90 220 991 8 7
Hollenbach (W) 46 92 939 3 10
Carr (DGN) 50 97 873 3 8
Despot (W) 77 122 853 2 7
Reid (B) 55 85 848 3 8
Rady (N) 50 131 780 15 5
Boyle (B) 56 122 738 1 5
Gibson (W) 55 84 714 4 4
Gillespie (B) 51 106 678 11 3
McGrath (L) 51 106 678 11 3
Netzer (W) 53 98 575 6 3
Zalic (W) 47 89 556 5 1
Khalil Saunders (C) 34 67 512 3 1
Daudelin (AT) 41 82 507 6 3
Bullie (SF) 46 87 500 11 1
Khalil Saunders (C) 27 38 440 5 5
Leonard (Y) 46 74 379 5 1
Ruffalo (AT) 24 35 375 2 1
Ribicene (C) 24 41 378 0 6
Bauer (B) 18 45 349 1 4
Harris (L) 28 34 345 3 0
Mortenson (Mon) 21 29 309 1 0
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Ross (DGS) 23 43 204 0 2

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Wentz (N) 21 2 3 3 13.4
Simpson (WWS) 21 2 30 1 11.0
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INTERCEPTIONS
9 — Reid (B)
8 — Se. Tully (Mk), West (Mon), Weston (W)
5 — Gray (W), Hegranes (W), Rivers (GS)
4 — Bilalalana (C), Healy (WWS), Hispald (C), Sasad (NW), Sa-Tully (B)
3 — Blakeman (WA), Cassens (G), Conroy (B), Jamison (G), Neumann (DGS), Pierce (W), Khalil Saunders (C), VanderKolk (W)
2 — Bell (DGN), Callahan (WA), Carlson (C), Cox (AT), Davis (DGN), Erwin (Wk), Fitzpatrick (W), Jay Fitzpatrick (C), Franklin (HS), Gibson (GS), Gignl (GS), Griffin (W), Goss (C), Harris (Wk), Kinney (HS), Kwonja (L), Lawler (B), Lawler (W), Mackenzie (C), Meloy (W), O'Connor (Mon), O'Neil (C), Pacione (AT), Reid (L), Robinson (W), Sabatino (Wk), Sallinas (SF), Shockey (GE), Wehrs (DGN), Wilcox (W), Zalic (C)

TEAM OFFENSE
Team YR YP TD Avg.
Catholic Prep 2627 2243 5070 507.0
Willowbrook 3107 1815 4952 495.2
Naperville North 1598 2754 4352 435.2
Montini 1229 1546 2727 272.7
Glenbard West 2625 1029 3654 365.4
Glenbard South 1988 1656 3444 344.4
Glenbard North 1329 1518 2847 284.7
Naperville Cent. 1385 1924 3309 330.9
Wheaton W.L.S. 1037 1853 2963 296.3
Naperville East 1721 1612 2941 294.1
Glenbard East 1779 2007 2838 283.8
Whitson Acad. 1299 1518 2847 284.7
Lake Park 1306 1837 3143 314.3
Hinsdale Cent. 2733 1816 3969 396.9
Hinsdale South 1514 1829 3743 304.8
Benedictine 1594 1435 3029 302.9
Glenbard North 1214 191 284 284.7
Whitson North 2288 578 2863 286.3
Lisle 1780 753 2913 274.2
Glenbard West 1780 191 284 284.7
Addison Trail 1613 885 2498 277.6
Kenilworth 1197 1058 2252 225.2
Downers South 903 1014 1917 210.0
Metz Park 957 1138 1895 210.8
West Chicago 1087 1207 1985 185.5
King 1023 709 1732 173.2
Add Francis 544 531 975 179.1
Westmont 476 991 1467 163.0

TEAM DEFENSE
Team YR YP TD Avg.
Addison Trail 980 851 1851 205.3
Downers South 903 1014 1917 210.0
Glenbard North 1214 191 284 284.7
Hinsdale Cent. 1385 1215 2598 259.8
Wheaton Acad. n/a n/a 2114 264.3

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Zack Kokes, Naperville Central

As the Redhawks' leading scorer, Kokes earned all-DuPage Valley Conference and all-sectional honors with 11 goals and 5 assists. "Zack's work up top winning balls and possessing is one reason we have been successful in our attack," Redhawks coach Troy Adams said. "He has a knack for finding open pockets and then connecting with teammates. His composure in front of the goal is the reason he is our leading scorer."



keep the ball away from me and I can still take on players or get the ball to someone else so it's not going to make as much of a difference."

Being a leader

Some players are above and beyond most of the competition so they become complacent. Not Barriga. He's constantly trying to improve his game, to become a better teammate and ensure success

by our next game."

It proved to be quite a final season for Barriga and the Bison. Now, Barriga is hopeful that his next game will come in college.

"I was skeptical when I joined the high school team at first and now I don't want to leave because it's been such a fun experience," he said. "Now I'm focusing on my ultimate goal to play (Division I) soccer. I think I can do it and I have my coaches to support me."

Evan Lang, Metea Valley

There was a reason why this junior was named all-sectional and a unanimous DuPage Valley Conference selection — he was excellent for a Mustangs team that had the best season in school history. Lang finished with 16 goals and 4 assists. "Evan has been our catalyst all year, continually coming up big in big games," Mustangs coach Josh Robinson said. "His leadership, work rate and dedication are something that allowed Metea to make the run we did this year."



Honorable mention:

Jack Barry, jr., Naperville North; Justin Brinegar, sr., Lisle; Sean Conley, jr., Sr. Francis; Matteo Costa, jr., Lake Park; Jake Dzarowski, sr., Wheaton North; Best Emena, sr., Glenbard North; J.D. Gunn, sr., Wheaton Academy; Tomas Hernandez, sr., Willowbrook; Leo Herard, sr., St. Francis; Mitch Konrad, sr., Naperville North; Edon Kosova, sr., Nequa Valley; Gabby Lazcano, sr., Wheaton Warrenville South; Michael Martens, sr., Timothy Christian; Melvin Mora, jr., Addison Trail; Mitch Mueller, sr., Waubonsie Valley; Jose Navarro, jr., Nequa Valley; Nick O'Brien, jr., Glenbard East; Franklin Rutkowski, jr., Benet; Rokas Stadaininkas, sr., Naperville Central; Cameron Strang, jr., Naperville Central.

James Lynch, Metea Valley

honors and will play at Carnegie College.

Tommy Welch, Naperville North

The Huskies were dominant all over the field, including in net with this all-state junior providing a stellar last line of defense. Through the sectional finals Welch has only surrendered 10 goals with 15 shutouts. "Tommy has been masterful in the net this year making incredible saves look routine," Huskies coach Jim Konrad said. "His athleticism and soft hands make opponents truly earn each goal they score." Also earned all-sectional and all-DVC honors.



Nate Zain, Naperville Central

Naperville Central coach Troy Adams called Zain "the most dynamic player on the field in every game we played." Others took notice as he was selected as all-state, NSCAA all-Midwest and to the All-America game watch list. "Nate is a tireless worker who was involved in almost every one of our attacks," Adams said. "His ability to dribble at speed while in a crowd makes him very dangerous as both a scorer and as a set-up man." He scored 9 goals and had 6 assists.



Clare Delaplaine, Downers North

The 6-foot-1 senior outside hitter led the Trojans in kills with 265 while piling up 224 digs, 57 blocks and 53 aces prior to her team's three-set victory over St. Francis in the sectional semis. "Every good team needs that one or two six-rotation player who is consistently dependable and able to execute in the clutch," coach Mark Wasik said. "Clare has been our rock particularly through the most competitive stretch of our season." She will continue playing at Villanova University.



Mikaila Dowd, Metea Valley

The All-Area captain led the Mustangs to school-record win totals in each of the last two seasons while setting and then breaking her own season record for kills during that span. Headed to Georgia Tech in January, she recorded 328 kills, 21 aces, 37 blocks and 168 digs. "The best part about her, she's athletic and everything, but she's one of the most humble players," coach Dave Macdonald said. "She would rather have our team win than worry about how many kills she gets."



Michelle Glover, Montini

This athletic senior in the middle helped the Broncos win a Class 3A regional and advance to a sectional final. "Michelle has been a huge contribution to our program this year. She is a dominating force in the middle offensively and defensively," coach Steve Dowjotas said. Glover averages 6 kills and 4 blocks per match. "Michelle makes every player around her more of a presence because opponents need to focus on stopping her and adjusting to her and that leads to more opportunities for our pin players to score."



one of the strongest leagues in the state.

The college process

Picking a college to play at was anything but easy. "In my sophomore year I decided on Georgia Tech in March," said Dowd, who will enroll at the university early to get better acclimated to the life of college classes and athletics. "I started my recruiting process right after eighth grade and it was such a long process.

"People talked to me and they were like, 'You're so lucky. It's so easy for you.' But I'm telling them that they are doing now what I did in eighth grade and as a freshman. It's the same process. Over 1,500 people were calling me or texting me and sending me letters."

Macdonald has had an up-close view of his star's development, and he knew that her senior season would be a special one with a strong supporting cast that includes fellow All-Area player

and she's such a positive impact on our team on the court. She's such a great teammate and a great player and I'm so excited for her future at Georgia Tech."

Dowd, meanwhile, will cherish the wins and the DVC title for some time, even if she's a bit sad about leaving her teammates and friends a little early.

"I knew we were going to win, but I didn't know we were going to sweep the whole thing and that is crazy," she said of Metea's run through the DVC. "The first day I realized we won conference before it was even over, and we had one more game left, I was just kind of going around first period, telling guys, 'Watch out, you're in the presence of a conference champion now.'

"I knew last year that we were going to have a good team this year, but we completely steam-rolled (the old record). We're just so used to the grind. We get in tough situations and we get ourselves out of it. Winning isn't everything. It's almost like the feeling on the court is what we crave."

Honorable mention

Gigi Barr, York, OH, fr.; Kailee Bass, Metea Valley, MH, sr.; Joslyn Boyer, Montini, setter, jr.; Sarah Burau, Wheaton Warrenville South, S/OH, so.; Tyra Burton, Naperville North, OH/RS, sr.; Sarah Elliott, Glenbard East, OH, jr.; Allison Hamaker, Glenbard East, OH, so.; Addy Karmik, Downers Grove South, S/OPP, so.; Michelle Lee, Waubonsie Valley, libero, sr.; Maria Mayhew, Neuqua Valley, S/OPP, sr.; Zayna Meyer, Wheaton Warrenville South, setter, fr.; Mackenzie Miller, Fenton, setter, jr.; Nina Muell, Addison Trail, jr., OH; Maria Russo, St. Francis, DS, jr.; Katie Ryan, Glenbard West, libero, jr.; Ally VanEekeren, Benet, setter, jr.; Alex Vanwestrienen, Naperville Central, libero, jr.; Heidi Westra, Timothy Christian, MH/RS, jr.; Maggie Wilson, Hinsdale Central, libero, sr.; Ashley Zulauf, St. Francis, OH, jr.

said. She was all tournament at the Wheaton Classic and the Mizuno Cup and will play volleyball at Marshall University next fall.

Shannon Skyrd, Neuqua Valley

"Shannon showed tremendous growth from her junior year to her senior year in every aspect and was our offensive statistical leader throughout the season," coach Kelly Simon said of her senior outside hitter, selected to the all-tournament team for three out of four tournaments. The senior outside hitter played in all 78 sets for the Wildcats and had 231 kills, 34 blocks, 24 aces and 172 digs.



Tracy Westra, Timothy Christian

Carrying on the program's history of great setters, she had 404 assists this season and surpassed 1,000 total. The senior also had 46 aces, 90 kills, 16 blocks and 143 digs. "Tracy is a third-year varsity starter who has been an all-conference setter the last two years," coach Scott Piersma said of his setter, named MVP of the Metro Suburban Conference Red Division. This year she reached the 1,000-assist mark and had 90 kills while converting on nearly 60 percent of her attempts.



Maddy Wilkens, St. Francis

"Maddy is a fun player to watch. It takes a tremendous amount of athleticism to play middle and set," Spartans coach Lisa Ston said of her star senior. "She is our leading blocker and assist leader on our team, and she is No. 2 on our team in kill percentage. She is a positive leader on the court and simply a great kid." Wilkens, who had 111 kills, 26 aces, 107 blocks, 153 digs and 339 assists heading into the Class 4A sectionals, was all-tourney at the Crossroads Classic in Effingham as well at Plainfield Harvest Festival tourney.



Eatman electrifies with five TDs in Knights' rout

By JOSHUA WELGE
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Lazerick Eatman was surrounded, with little space to run. Or so it seemed.

When Eatman, IC Catholic Prep's senior running back, caught a simple screen pass from CJ West during a Class 3A first-round playoff game against Watseka on Oct. 27 in Elmhurst, it looked like a short gain.

With Eatman, though, that's never a given.

Slipping and sliding around seemingly half the defense, Eatman's fancy footwork made for an electrifying 56-yard touchdown down the right sideline.

"Lazerick is a different kind of player," ICCP coach Bill Krefft said. "One-on-one, I'll take Lazerick in space any time."

Eatman showcased those moves throughout a brilliant first half.

He ran for three touchdowns and caught two more from West, and the defending Class 3A champion Knights began their title defense with a resounding 55-6 win over Watseka.

Eatman, low-key, described the screen pass.

"The defense was being kind of aggressive, and we practice that play a lot," Eatman said. "Me and my quarterback CJ, we kind of just waited and let the play develop. He saw an opening and got it to me, and I did the rest. I saw blue jerseys, and I just followed my lead blockers Sean Hipskind and Khalil Saunders."

All five of Eatman's touchdowns came in the first half, ICCP (9-1) rolling up a 42-0 halftime lead.

Eatman, who needed just seven carries to net 120 yards, put on a show



Bill Ackerman - For Shaw Media

IC Catholic Prep's Lazerick Eatman scores a touchdown against Watseka on Oct. 27 in a Class 3A first-round playoff game.

right off the bat.

On ICCP's second play from scrimmage he shook a handful of tackles, slipped through the line of scrimmage, and raced 60 yards for a touchdown.

"I'm kind of short," reasoned Eatman, 5-foot-10 and 165 pounds, "so I hide behind the offensive line and let them pave the way for me."

Krefft is used to seeing it by now.

Eatman, in limited action because ICCP has beaten teams by a 46-point average coming in, is up to 22 touchdowns.

He added touchdown runs of 12 and

10 yards, then caught a 15-yard touchdown pass from West with seconds left in the half.

"Lazerick is probably the most elusive player in our program," Krefft said. "If we could have Lazerick touching the ball in space every time that's what we'd be doing."

The temperature was a frigid 39 degrees at kickoff. Eatman kept warm by running on the sidelines and using hand-warmers.

He wasn't having any cold-weather excuses, either.

"We lost a playoff game two years

"Lazerick [Eatman] is probably the most elusive player in our program. If we could have Lazerick touching the ball in space every time that's what we'd be doing."

Bill Krefft

IC Catholic Prep football coach

ago here to Bishop McNamara and let the weather affect us," Eatman said. "Never again."

Hipskind took a bubble screen for a 20-yard touchdown pass, and made arguably the biggest play of the night defensively. Watseka, trailing 14-7, drove to the Knights' 4-yard line. On second-and-goal, Hipskind stepped in front of a pass in the flat and returned the interception 78 yards.

Two plays later, Eatman took in his third touchdown.

"I just followed my keys, read the route," Hipskind said. "We were in cover 0 and I told Max Cook to switch. That was good to stop them there."

Cook also intercepted a pass, and freshman Kyle Franklin ran for 96 yards and two TDs in the second half.

West was 10-for-17 for 189 yards in just a half.

The Knights advanced to play Peotone, but Krefft isn't thinking about the past or too far into the future.

"We're really one practice, one day at a time," Krefft said. "I'm not worried about last year, or what's going to happen further in this year. Our kids understand in this program that this level is expected."

FOOTBALL PREVIEW OF THE AREA'S PLAYOFF MATCHUPS

CLASS 3A No. 5 IC Catholic Prep (9-1) at No. 4 Peotone (9-1)

When: 7 p.m. Nov. 3.

Advancement: Winner plays winner of Farmington/Wilmington

What to watch: Can anyone slow down the Knights? ICCP looked every bit like a defending champion in Round 1. Lazerick Eatman scored five touchdowns – in a half – and Kyle Franklin scored twice in a

55-6 win over Watseka. The Knights are beating teams by an average of 41 points. Peotone's only loss is to Wilmington, a program ICCP beat in last year's quarterfinals. Peotone's best regular season since 1998 is highlighted by a Week 9 win over Herscher, which snapped the Tigers' 19-game regular-season winning streak. The Blue Devils run a double-wing offense with a three-headed attack of Chandler Gartner, Dillon Buege and Ryan Brewer.

CLASS 6A No. 5 DeKalb (8-2) at No. 4 Willowbrook (9-1)

When: 1:30 p.m. Nov. 4.

Advancement: Winner plays winner of Prairie Ridge/Cary-Grove

What to watch: A tougher game for the Warriors. Willowbrook made short work of Deerfield in a 44-21 first-round win, getting out to a 44-0 halftime lead. Jack Jessen, over 1,700 yards on

the season, needed just 12 carries to get 111 yards, and rested the second half with the rest of Willowbrook's other starters. DeKalb quarterback Noah Vanlin threw for 149 yards and ran for 113 in a 38-28 win over Montini in the first round. Jaylen Hobson has rushed for over 1,200 yards for the Barbs, who reached the Class 6A semifinals last year.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



**SEAN
MACGREGOR**
YORK
Senior | Boys Cross Country

Why MacGregor was selected:

MacGregor took ninth place in 14 minutes, 57 seconds at the Class 3A Lake Park Sectional, leading York to third place in the team standings and a 54th straight trip to the state cross country meet.

MacGregor, the Suburban Life Athlete of the Week sponsored by Gracik Makinney, spoke with Suburban Life sports editor Joshua Welge about the sectional race and all things running. Here is an edited transcript.

happy he was. It gave the whole team confidence.

Welge: Fifty-fourth straight year York has qualified its team for state. What do you think when you hear that number?

MacGregor: It's crazy. It makes you feel so blessed to be in such a historic program like this.

Welge: What kind of influence has [former York] coach [Joe] Newton had on you?

MacGregor: He was coaching my freshman and sophomore year, I saw him last year as well. I can tell how great of a coach he was. At 86, 87 years old, he has so much energy. I can't imagine how he was in the past. Our team circulates around his legacy.

Welge: This weekend you'll be running one last time at Detweller Park in Peoria. How do you like the course?

MacGregor: I think it's my favorite course that I have ever run on. It's really fast and it's really open. I've run on it so many times, it feels like a second home to me.

Welge: What did you think about your run at sectionals?

MacGregor: I think I went out and ran a pretty conservative race. Charlie Kern was back, his first race of the season, we were all excited to have him back. I think we ran well and it will only get better.

Welge: Why a conservative race?

MacGregor: My coach told me to be in the thick of the competition, don't go out too fast because it was cold and windy. I stayed back in the pack, worked my way up and kicked at the end of the race.

Welge: How good was it to have Charlie Kern running for the first time?

MacGregor: We're so excited to have him back. It pumped us up, seeing how

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Willowbrook quarterback John Taylor runs for a touchdown Sept. 15 against Addison Trail. Taylor and the Warriors beat Deerfield Oct. 28 in a first-round playoff game.
Sarah Mingo - for Shaw Media

PREP ROUNDUP

John Taylor, Willowbrook football roll into second round of playoffs

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38 yards for a score for Montini (6-4).

John Taylor scored on a 58-yard touchdown run and threw a 19-yard touchdown pass to Sikander Zafar in the first quarter of Willowbrook's 44-21 win over Deerfield in a Class 6A first-round game Oct. 28 in Villa Park. Jack Jessen had touchdown runs of 45 and six yards and Nick Sabatino returned an interception 59 yards for a touchdown for Willowbrook (9-1), which advances to host DeKalb.

Montini

DeKalb scored 24 unanswered points to rally past the Broncos 38-28 in a Class 6A first-round playoff game. Nick Orlando threw a 64-yard touchdown pass to Nick Fedanzo, Jake Karczewski had a 1-yard touchdown run and Scott West returned a fumble

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Timothy Christian

Paced by Clint Fincher (11th, 16:26) and William Terpstra (12th, 16:32), Timothy Christian took fifth at the Class 2A Lisle Sectional and qualified for state.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

IC Catholic

Knights freshman Frankie Chaidiez finished in second place in 18:28 at the Class 1A Lisle Sectional to qualify for state.

Timothy Christian

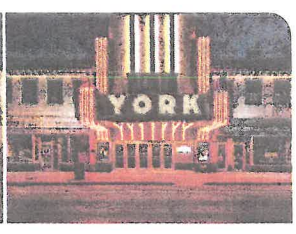
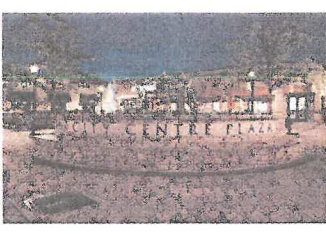
With a run of 19:41, Timothy Christian sophomore Hope Clark took 12th at Lisle to qualify for state.

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Former Villa Park man involved in murder of Elmhurst woman likely to be released from prison

State's Attorney attempts to deny release via SVP Commitment Act

By Dee Longfellow
FOR THE LOMBARDIAN-VILLA PARK REVIEW

It was easy to sense the disappointment felt by DuPage County State's Attorney Robert Berlin when he released a statement regarding Thomas Kokoraleis, a person convicted in 1982 for the murder of Elmhurst resident Lorraine "Lorry" Borowski. Kokoraleis, a former resident of Villa Park, is likely to be released from prison soon.

Berlin's office previously reported it was attempting to keep Kokoraleis, a member of a notorious gang known as the Ripper Crew believed to be responsible for several murders in the 1980s, in custody through the Sexual Violent Persons (SVP) Commitment Act.

The Act would allow the state to keep Kokoraleis behind bars 'if proven beyond a reasonable doubt that the person suffers from a mental disorder that makes the person dangerous' and that it is "substantially probable" that the person will commit another act or acts of sexual violence.

Last week, Berlin released the following statement:

"My office, along with the Illinois Attorney General's Office, has worked closely with experts to determine whether it is legally possible for the State to prove to a court that Kokoraleis meets the requirements to be found a sexually violent person in order to be civilly committed after he has served his criminal sentence," the statement read. "The Sexually Violent Persons (SVP) Commitment Act requires proof beyond a reasonable doubt that a person suffers from a mental disorder, and that mental disorder makes him dangerous such that it is substantially probable the person will commit acts of sexual violence."

"After evaluations by highly experienced psychiatrists and psychologists found Kokoraleis does not meet the necessary criteria, we are unable to ethically bring a petition to find that he is sexually violent under Illinois law."

Background on the case

Thomas' brother Andrew Kokoraleis was convicted of the murders of Lorraine "Lorry" Borowski and Rose Davis, was sentenced to death back in 1982 and was executed in 1999. Edward Spreitzer, another member of

the Ripper Crew gang, was convicted of the murders of Linda Sutton, Shui Mak, Rose Davis, Sandra Delaware and Raphael Tiradao about that time and is currently serving a natural life prison sentence with no possibility of parole.

Spreitzer was originally given a death sentence that was commuted when then-Governor George Ryan commuted all death sentences in Illinois. Robin Gecht was convicted of the attempted murder, rape, aggravated kidnapping and deviate sexual assault of a woman and is not eligible for parole until 2042.

Thomas Kokoraleis was convicted of the 1982 murder of Lorraine "Lorry" Borowski based on an accountability theory, which means that he was held accountable for the acts committed by other individuals—Andrew Kokoraleis and Edward Spreitzer—that resulted in Ms. Borowski's death. Kokoraleis admitted to participating in Ms. Borowski's abduction. While he denied he was involved in her rape and murder, Kokoraleis admitted he was present while Andrew Kokoraleis and Spreitzer raped and murdered Ms. Borowski.

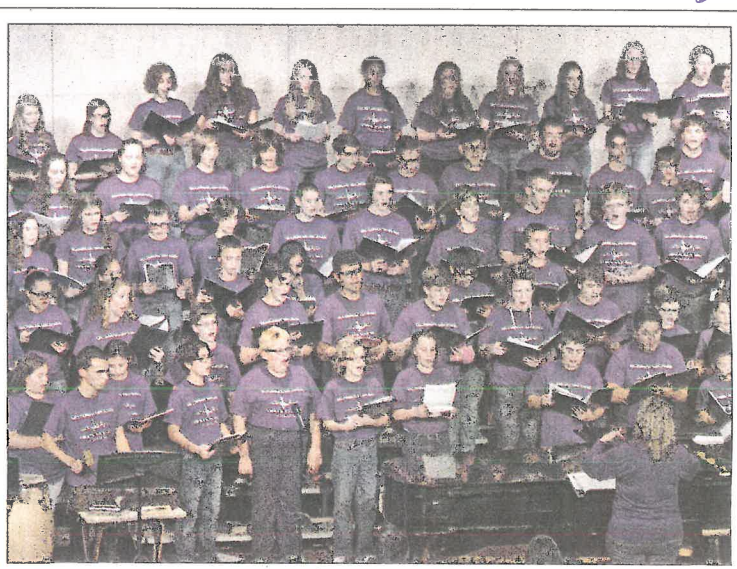
He was sentenced to 70 years in prison. Based on Illinois laws in effect at the time he was sentenced in 1986, Kokoraleis served 50 percent of his sentence and was scheduled to enter mandatory supervised release in September.

According to Berlin's office, the SVP Commitment Act authorizes the State to file a petition for civil commitment after a person has completed his criminal sentence if the individual meets specific criteria.

To establish that criteria, the state must present testimony from qualified forensic psychiatrists or clinical psychologists. In evaluating the individual for a mental disorder, the law requires the experts to rely on evidence of acts of sexual violence that the individual himself committed. This evidence must come from the trial court record or other reliable sources.

As previously mentioned, Thomas Kokoraleis did not meet these criteria.

Because the criteria for requiring an individual to register as a sex offender is different than the SVP Act requirements, Kokoraleis will be required to register as a sex offender when he is ultimately released from custody of the Illinois Department of Corrections. It has not been reported where he will live.



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Choir event at Willowbrook

The choirs at Jackson and Jefferson middle schools took part in last week's choir invitational at Willowbrook High School. The choir members from the two District 45 middle schools visited Willowbrook for a daytime clinic with the high school students and their director, Karyn Wolcott, on Oct. 24. The middle school musicians spent time rehearsing music and experiencing life at the high school. The Jackson and Jefferson choir members returned to the high school that evening for a concert in which they were featured with Willowbrook's choir. At the end of the concert, all of the singers took the stage for a few songs. They concluded the concert with "We Go Together" from "Grease." Jackson's concert choir performed under the direction of Sarah Giordano. Thomas Jesse directed Jefferson's choir. One photo below shows Giordano with members of Jackson's choir. The other photo, from the end of the concert, shows Wolcott directing singers from all three schools.



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District 45 board receives award

The School District 45 Board of Education is one of 20 boards to earn the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) 2017 School Board Governance Recognition. According to the IASB, this recognition is designed to acknowledge school boards that have engaged in activities and modeled behaviors that lead to excellence in local school governance in support of quality public education. The recognition is given for the work accomplished by the board during a two-year period starting in 2015. The current members of the board (pictured left to right) are: (front row) Judy Degnan, president; Carol Klamecki, secretary and Kim Taglia; (back row) Tracy Vroman, Melissa Silnn, Diana Stout, vice president and Navreet Heneghan. Prior to the spring of 2017, Linda Nystrom served as president of the District 45 board for 20 years.

Villa Park briefs

Drop off pumpkins for composting on Saturday

Residents can drop off their Halloween jack-o-lanterns to be composted on Saturday, Nov. 4. Pumpkins will be accepted from 9 a.m. to noon at the parking lot behind Villa Park Village Hall, located at 20 S. Ardmore Ave. The drop-off is part of the fourth annual Pumpkin Smash.

All of the pumpkins that are dropped off will be composted. Composting the pumpkins keeps waste out of landfills, reduces greenhouse gas emissions and creates a natural fertilizer for soils.

Remove any candles or decorations before dropping off the pumpkins. Saturday's event is sponsored by the Villa Park Environmental Concerns Commission in conjunction with SCARCE (School and Community Assistance for Recycling and Composting Education).

Call Bob Wagner at 630-484-8856 with any inquiries.

Birthday Bunch and Lunch on Nov. 9

Villa Park Recreation holds a monthly luncheon for area seniors called Birthday Bunch and Lunch. Seniors gather at the Community Recreation Building, 320 E. Wildwood Ave., and enjoy lunch, socializing, playing bingo and singing "Happy Birthday to You" to those

celebrating a birthday that month. Birthday Bunch and Lunch meets from noon to 2 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month. The next event will take place Thursday, Nov. 9. Participants will enjoy a Thanksgiving feast. The fee is \$5 per person, payable at the door. Call 630-834-8525 to RSVP.

Donate extra Halloween candy to the troops at three Villa Park sites

Barks and Boots, in partnership with Operation Support our Troops, is collecting excess Halloween candy to send to U.S. service members deployed around the world. Collection boxes will be available until Sunday, Nov. 12. The collection sites in Villa Park are: Pure Ambiance Salon, 5 W. Park Blvd.; Cornerstone Books, 22 S. Villa Ave.; and Ridgeway Precision Mechanical, 280 W. St. Charles Road.

Villa Park Office Equipment holds

Thanksgiving food drive

Villa Park Office Equipment's sixth annual Thanksgiving food drive began this week. The drive continues through Nov. 15. Donations can be dropped off at the business's showroom at 1120 N. Villa Ave.

Muslim community loses 2 leaders on the same day

Muslim community leaders and founders of the Islamic Foundation, Brother Abdul Hameed Dogar and Brother Zia Hassan, have passed away, both within a few hours of each other.

Br. Dogar dedicated his entire life to the Chicago community. He studied civil engineering at the Aligarh Muslim University in India before the partition. He later immigrated to the United States in March 1962.

He worked for the Illinois Department of Transportation (I-DOT) from 1963 until his retirement in 1991. He was a licensed professional civil and structural engineer who designed I-55 and some of the bridges in I-355.

Br. Dogar was a visionary and wanted to establish an Islamic educational institution in the Chicago area and thus laid the foundation for establishing the Islamic Foundation Mosque and School. As the "founding father" of the Islamic Foundation, Br. Dogar served as its director for over 40 years. His legacy lives on in the halls of IFS and in the hearts of all who knew him.

He was voracious reader and scholar, and had written multiple Islamic books, one of which is "Islam: God's Final Message to Mankind."

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Masooda Dogar; his two sons; his two daughters; and his grandchildren.

Dr. Zia Hassan was one of the early immigrants and migrated to United States in the 1956. He received his Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Punjab in Pakistan before receiving his Master's Degree (1958) and Ph.D. (1965) in Industrial Engineering at the Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago.

Dr. Hassan began his career as a lecturer at IIT in the early 1960s and worked his way up the ranks

to become dean of IIT's Stuart School of Business. Dr. Hassan taught business policy and quality management.

His research focused on effective organizations and quality issues of organizations. He had published more than 30 papers, co-authored "Basic Programs for Production and Operations Management," and wrote the chapter "Design of Interrelated Manufacturing and Quality Systems" in the "Manufacturing High Technology Handbook."

Dr. Hassan was a Fellow of the American Society for Quality and had served as an examiner for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award.

Dr. Zia Hassan had a great passion for community work. He was one of the founding members and the first chairman of the board of trustees for the Islamic Foundation, Villa Park.

He was a chairman of the Islamic Foundation for over 40 years and oversaw the formation and growth of various parts of Islamic Foundation. During his tenure, the Islamic Foundation grew from a small weekend religious school to one of the largest Islamic centers in the United States with a large mosque, full-time school (Pre-K to 12), and four weekend programs.

He is survived by his wife, Dr. Shakeela Hassan; three daughters; and five grandchildren.

"In future, people will not believe that among Muslims in the USA, we had a perfect gentleman, a renowned academician, a philosopher, a religious person who shunned limelight, and who was also the epitome of 'services,' — Dr. Zia Hassan," said Moon Khan in a statement.

The funeral prayers for Brother Zia Hassan and Brother Abdul Hamid Dogar were performed together on Monday, Oct. 30, at the Islamic Foundation.



Brother Abdul Hameed Dogar



Dr. Zia Hassan

Lombard native, Willowbrook grad part of nuclear deterrence mission

A 2007 Willowbrook High School graduate and Lombard native is serving in the U.S. Navy as part of the nation's nuclear deterrence mission at Strategic Communications Wing ONE.

Petty Officer 1st Class Paul Easter credits his grandfather for his decision to join the service.

"My grandfather served in World War II and when I was looking for new opportunities to travel the world, his stories came to mind," said Easter. "After six years in the Navy, I've loved my time and plan to make it a career."

The mission stems from the original 1961 Cold War order known as "Take Charge and Move Out!" Adapted as TACAMO and now the command's nickname, today, the men and women of TACAMO continue to provide a survivable communication link between national decision makers and the nation's nuclear weapons.

The commander-in-chief issues orders to members of the military who operate nuclear weapons aboard submarines, aircraft or in land-based missile silos. Sailors aboard TACAMO E-6 Mercury aircraft provide the one-of-a-kind and most-survivable communication needed for this critical mission.

"I'm honored to serve with the men and women who help keep our nation safe through nuclear deterrence," said Captain Edward McCabe, commodore, Strategic Communications Wing ONE. "Their dedication to our mission is a testament to our mantra of Take Charge and Move Out!"

The command consists of three squadrons and a wing staff that employs more than 1,200 active-duty sailors who provide maintenance, security, operations, administration, training and logistic support for the TACAMO aircraft fleet.

Easter is an aviation electronics technician assigned to Tinker Air Force Base where the Navy command is headquartered.

A Navy aviation electronics technician maintains and operates the communications equipment on the

E-6 Mercury aircraft so that the jet can always send and receive messages between leadership and the nuclear force.

The Navy's presence aboard an Air Force base in the middle of America may seem like an odd location given its distance from any ocean; however, the central location

allows for the deployment of aircraft to both coasts and the Gulf of Mexico on a moment's notice. This quick response is key to the success of the nuclear deterrence mission.

"Our mission deters enemies from striking our country first, and our constant readiness should put Americans at ease," said Easter.

Sailors serving from America's heartland take pride in the vital mission they support as well as the nuclear deterrence they help provide.

"Serving the country and a higher purpose is incredibly rewarding and it's a job that I am very proud of," said Easter.



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Petty Officer 1st Class Paul Easter, a 2007 graduate of Willowbrook High School, is part of a nuclear deterrence mission assigned to Tinker Air Force Base.

District 44 to implement 'dual language' initiative

As the number of English Language Learners began to grow, officials in Lombard Elementary School District 44 recognized early on that they had an opportunity to develop a program rooted in cultural acceptance and language fluency.

"What we continue to celebrate about the development of our Dual Language Program is that it continually creates a culture of acceptance. Students are taught to embrace—not abandon—their home language while also developing their English, and they are doing so alongside their peers who are learning their native

language of Spanish," said Annetta Spychalski, assistant superintendent for Teaching and Learning. "This is a profound way to bring students together with a common understanding and purpose."

Next school year, Lombard District 44 will officially launch the first Dual Language Program beginning in kindergarten at Madison Elementary School. Classes will be made up of approximately 50 percent native English speakers and 50 percent native Spanish speakers, with literary and content instruction conducted in both languages.

Spychalski explained that by middle school, students who have been enrolled in a dual language program typically perform as well or better than their respective peers on achievement tests in math, reading and writing. The overall goal, though, is that students become bilingual, biliterate and bicultural.

"While ultimately our students are working toward fluency in both languages by fifth grade, there are benefits to offering a dual language program that reach far beyond academic achievement," Spychalski said. "Our students will develop social skills in a second language that will give them a significant advantage over their monolingual counterparts when they enter the global economy as adults."

Lombard District 44 first began its exploration into a dual language program last year. Roughly 11 percent

of the district's student population is English Learners, and a majority of these students are Spanish-speaking. And while the population has remained relatively steady over the past years, so too, has the achievement gap.

"We recognized this was an important issue to be addressed, but we didn't want to approach it in a way that was just about the academic growth of our students. We wanted it to be about celebrating our diversity, further creating a culture of acceptance and allowing our students to learn from each other," said Chief of Staff Ted Stec.

The district began the process by forming a committee to research dual language programs and better understand their educational benefits. From there, the committee began working with experts in the field and started visiting other schools. All of this information was then used to develop Lombard's program goals and plans.

The district is actively seeking participants to take part in the Dual Language Program, which opens up as part of kindergarten registration in the winter. Should there be interest beyond available spots, District 44 plans to utilize a lottery system. There will also be a Parent Information Night at the District Office on Dec. 13 from 6-7 p.m.

Those interested in learning more about the program are encouraged to visit www.sd44.org.

Nov. 5 fundraiser aiming to help end hunger

Congregation Etz Chaim of DuPage County invites the entire community to its Garry Gardner Memorial Bowls for Hunger Project luncheon and pottery sale this weekend.

The fundraiser will take place on Sunday, Nov. 5, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Congregation Etz Chaim, 1710 S. Highland Ave., Lombard.

The event will benefit those who are hungry in DuPage County.

For a \$12 donation, guests will be invited to select a handcrafted pottery bowl keepsake and enjoy a light lunch of a cup of homemade soup, bread and a drink. Guests are asked to keep their bowl as a reminder of all the hungry and hungry people in the world. Additional ceramics will be available for purchase

at the event. Children are welcome and may enjoy a cup of soup, bread and a drink for a \$3 donation per child.

The Garry Gardner Memorial Bowls for Hunger Project is an "Empty Bowls Project," an international grassroots effort to raise both money and awareness in the fight to end hunger.

The project's mission is to create positive and lasting change through the arts, education and projects that build community.

Congregation Etz Chaim has served the western suburbs for over 50 years. For more information, call the empty bowls and hungry people in the world. Additional ceramics will be available for purchase



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Making a difference in Lombard

Members of Lombard Service League are pictured as they prepared for "Make a Difference Day," which was held Oct. 28, by collecting food and paper products and delivering them to the Lombard-Villa Park Food Pantry. The pantry is a joint effort of Calvary Episcopal Church, First United Methodist Church of Lombard and First Church of Lombard, UCC. The pantry, which is housed in the basement at First United Methodist Church of Lombard, 155 S. Main St. (the northeast corner of Main and Maple), is open to residents of Lombard and Villa Park. In addition to food and paper products, food pantry board member Tom Hammerschmidt encourages monetary donations that the pantry can use to buy products at discounted prices. Pictured with the donated items are (left to right) Barb Madigan, league member; Jean Nelson, league president; Hammerschmidt; and league members Darcie Cass and Sally Stekete. For more information about the pantry, call 630-627-2508. For more information about Lombard Service League, view their Facebook page.

Sports

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Warriors crush Deerfield to advance to the second round DeKalb will visit Villa Park for a second-round battle

The Willowbrook football team overpowered Deerfield 44-21 in Saturday's IHSA Class 6A first-round playoff game in Villa Park. The contest was more lopsided than the final score indicates. Willowbrook grabbed a 44-0 halftime lead to trigger a running clock throughout the second half. The Warriors, who earned their eighth straight win and improved their 2017 record to 9-1, led Deerfield 23-0 at the end of the first quarter.

The Warriors will return to their home field for their second-round contest—this Saturday's meeting

with DeKalb (8-2). DeKalb advanced to the second round with a 38-28 victory over Montini (6-4).

Willowbrook scored about one minute into the game when senior Jack Jessen broke a 45-yard touchdown run. Senior quarterback John Taylor reeled off a 58-yard touchdown run on the Warriors' next possession. A safety extended the lead to 16-0, and Taylor's 19-yard scoring pass to senior Sikander Zafar gave the Warriors their third touchdown of the opening quarter.

Jessen and senior Chris Diaz both contributed touchdown runs in the second quarter. Senior Nick Sabatino provided a defensive score in the period when he intercepted a pass and returned it 59 yards for a touchdown. "I saw the quarterback reading to the right, and I broke to the ball," said Sabatino in recalling his touchdown. "The ball was right to me. All I had to do was catch it and run. It was

awesome. It was a great feeling."

The pickoff on Saturday gave Sabatino three interceptions this season. "We prepared ourselves well," added Sabatino. "We knew we could put up a bunch of points, and we did."

Senior kicker Betty-Ann Garrett made all six of her extra-point attempts.

Deerfield (5-5) scored its first touchdown in the third quarter and added two more scores in the fourth quarter.

"Our expectation is to score on every possession and get stops," said Willowbrook head coach Nick Hildreth. "That's kind of our thought process. We were able to get our tempo going early."

Hildreth frequently notes that the Warriors never look beyond their next opponent.

"We talk about extending the heartbeat," he said. "Every team has

a heartbeat. When you lose in the playoffs, it abruptly stops, and it's over, and that team will never be the same. You never take a win for granted, especially playoff wins. Now we get the opportunity to extend that heartbeat another week."

One year ago, Willowbrook won two playoff games before losing to ultimate state champion East St. Louis in the quarterfinals of the Class 7A playoffs.

"We really enjoyed that experience last year," said Jessen. "These guys are hungry for that same feeling this year, and they want to go deeper in the playoffs."

Broncos lose back-and-forth game at DeKalb

The Montini football team's season ended with Saturday's 38-28 loss at DeKalb in an IHSA Class 6A first-round playoff game. The Broncos finished their season with a 6-4

record. DeKalb, which will meet Willowbrook in the second round of the playoffs in Villa Park, improved to 8-2.

Montini scored three second-quarter touchdowns to take a 28-14 lead. DeKalb scored the last touchdown of the quarter to cut Montini's halftime lead to 28-21. The Broncos failed to score during the second half, while DeKalb posted seven points in the third quarter and 10 more in the fourth period.

Senior quarterback Nick Orlando connected with junior Nick Fedanzo for a 64-yard touchdown pass to give the Broncos their first score of the game. Senior Jake Karczewski added a short touchdown run in the second quarter. Montini scored its next two touchdowns of the quarter on a defensive fumble return by junior Scott West and an offensive fumble recovery by junior Matt Ross, who covered a loose ball in the end zone.



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Willowbrook's football team crushed Deerfield 44-21 in Saturday's IHSA Class 6A first-round playoff game in Villa Park. The Warriors built a 44-0 lead by halftime. The photos from Saturday show senior Cesar Mendoza (No. 38-above) on offense and sophomore DeAndre Holliday (No. 4-right) on defense. The Warriors will face DeKalb in this Saturday's second-round game in Villa Park.



Kolie Allen celebrates a state-championship season

Rams' standout finished title season with a 33-0 record

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Glenbard-East senior Kolie Allen lost one set throughout the 2017 girls tennis season. Allen lost the second set of the IHSA Class 2A state championship match on Oct. 21 in Buffalo Grove.

Allen defeated Evanston senior Anastasia Goncharova 6-2 in the opening set of the title match, which was played in front of a spirited audience. Goncharova rallied in the second set, winning the first four games. Allen responded by winning four of the next five games before losing the second set 6-4.

Goncharova held serve to win the opening game of the third set, but Allen responded by reeling off six straight games on her way to a 6-2, 4-6, 6-1 victory and the state title. Allen, who won six matches in the state tournament, completed her unblemished senior season with a record of 33-0.

Glenbard East honored Allen two days after her state-championship effort by holding a ceremony for her in the school's main gym.

"My coach [Glenbard East coach Bill Burt] was telling me throughout the tournament how stone-faced I needed to be, and not to let my emotions show," said Allen in recalling the title match at the ceremony. "When I was going through the second set and things weren't going my way, I was trying to not show that I was frustrated. Obviously you don't want to think you're blowing it, but in the back of your mind that's there. I was trying to be as calm as possible. I almost came back in the second set. That helped me in the third set. I felt like

I had some momentum. I was really pumped up going into the third set."

Allen, who began her tennis career by participating in Lombard Park District programs at age 6 or 7, experienced a wave of emotions after winning the championship match.

"It was so overwhelming," she said. "You think about it all the time, and then when it actually happens you don't know how you're going to react. I had tears in my eyes. It was just so amazing. My friends and my family were there. It was like everything I wanted."

Allen was playing tennis year-round by the time she was 10 years old. She has traveled to and competed in numerous United States Tennis Association events. She has faced Goncharova—her state-final opponent—in some USTA competitions.

"We always have really close matches, so I knew it [the state final] was going to be tough," Allen said.

Allen qualified for the state singles tournament as a freshman and a sophomore. She earned a fifth-place finish during her sophomore season. She did not play the high school season as a junior, choosing instead to concentrate on her college visits. Earlier this year, Allen decided she would attend Ohio State University. She will make her decision official during a signing ceremony this month.

"It was kind of funny; Ohio State was the first college I ever visited," said Allen, who toured the school during her sophomore year at Glenbard East. She also visited Northwestern, Notre Dame, Michigan and North Carolina. "I fell in love with it right away. As I went through other colleges, nothing seemed to feel the same. Nothing else felt like that place."

Allen, who trains nearly every day of the

week at the Glenview Racquet Club, said the hope of winning the state title motivated her to play for the Rams during the 2017 season.

"Winning state was definitely my main goal throughout the season," said Allen. "It's pretty much the only reason I came back. I've seen other girls I've trained with win state, and I've seen what that looks like, and it looks amazing."

In her three seasons as a Ram, Allen compiled an overall record of 100-6.

"We were talking throughout the tournament about maintaining composure," said Burt, who has coached Glenbard East's girls tennis team for 33 seasons. He also guided the school's boys tennis program for 31 seasons. "She got fired up at 1-1 of the third set [of the final]. She took control of the match from that point, and it was something to see. She just put it into overdrive."

Burt said that in addition to playing brilliant tennis, Allen was a model teammate during the season.

"She had an incredible time and enjoyed being on the team," he said. "She embraced the team atmosphere as well as anybody else on the team."

Burt said a number of players from other schools attended the final to support Allen. Burt also said that several coaches expressed their congratulations to her after she won the title.

"It's quite something to have her be that good and that well respected in the high school tennis community," Burt said.

Allen will continue to practice and play inauspiciously before she begins her college career.

"I want to be better than I am now when I get there," she said.

"She's just getting better every year," said Burt, who described Allen as the most

impressive athlete he's ever coached. "Her quickness has gotten better, and she's more fit than she's ever been. She's not going to stop getting better for a while. Ohio State has a real find."



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Glenbard East senior Kolie Allen won the IHSA Class 2A state singles tennis title on Oct. 21. Allen finished the 2017 season with a 33-0 record. She lost only one set all season—the second set of the state final. Allen, who will play tennis at Ohio State University, was honored at an Oct. 23 ceremony in Glenbard East's main gymnasium. She is pictured at the end of that ceremony. Allen started her tennis career by taking part in Lombard Park District programs around the age of 6 or 7.

Alternatives to pain medication for low back pain

Shoe orthotics alone or combined with chiropractic care can significantly improve low back pain experienced by millions of Americans, according to a new study conducted by National University of Health Sciences (NUHS).

The research, released in the Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, is the first large-scale study to assess the effectiveness of shoe orthotics for back pain, instead of just foot pain. In a six-week randomized controlled trial, researchers divided 225 adult subjects into three different groups. The control group received no care. Another group received custom-made shoe orthotics from Foot Levelers and a third received custom-made shoe orthotics from Foot Levelers plus chiropractic care that included adjustments, hot or cold packs and manual soft tissue massage. The results showed that although all groups demonstrated pain improvement in six weeks, only the patients using shoe orthotics had statistically significant improvements in both function and pain.

"Chiropractic physicians have long prescribed custom shoe orthotics to their patients with the thought that back pain treatment might work best when addressing not only the back but also the hips, knees, ankles and/or feet," said Jerrilyn Cambron, DC, MPH, PhD, LMT, the principal investigator of the study, who is also a research professor and chair of the NUHS College of Allied Health Sciences and Distance Education. "This newly published clinical trial demonstrates that shoe orthotics plus chiropractic care may be a highly effective treatment combination."

The study used Foot Levelers custom shoe orthotics exclusively, which are specifically designed to improve function of the lower extremities and low back. Pain can be caused by a disruption of the kinetic chain, an engineering concept used to describe the way segments of the body are connected. Such a disruption can move from the feet up to the low back, or from the low back down to the feet.

"Using Foot Levelers to balance and support the feet—the foundation of the body—helps balance and support the spine," said Foot Levelers CEO Kent S. Greenawalt. "The study supports what we have known for over 65 years, thanks to the testimony of millions of patients and tens of thousands of doctors. Foot Levelers custom orthotics plus chiropractic care are a winning combination and a powerful first-line treatment in the battle against low back pain."

Dr. Cambron believes the study

will encourage further research into the way functional shoe orthotics can help improve other complex joint issues such as knee and hip pain.

Back pain, now considered a global epidemic, continues to affect about 80 percent of Americans. Meanwhile, widespread opioid ad-

diction has caused physicians to limit the amount of opioids they prescribe to relieve pain.

"For those looking to avoid over-the-counter pain medication and opioids, shoe orthotics combined with chiropractic care may be an alternative worth considering," Dr. Cambron said.

"NUHS is proud to lead the research of non-invasive treatments for low back pain," said NUHS President Joseph Stiefel, M.S., EdD, D.C. "This major study may encourage health care providers to offer new approaches to low back pain so common among their patients."

The study adds to recent research

supporting spinal adjustment for low back pain including an April 2017 study published in the Journal of the American Medical Association. Spinal adjustment is also recommended as a first line treatment for low back pain, according to new guidelines published by the American College of Physicians in February 2017.



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Encore performance

The young campers who took part in the Willowbrook pom squad's fourth annual "Dance for a Cure" camp during the week ending Oct. 13 performed at half-time of that night's varsity football game. There were some problems with the music during the performance, so the pom squad invited the young campers to return and take the field during halftime of the Oct. 20 football game. One photo from the encore performance shows junior Kaylee McEilin (above) leading some of the young campers during the routine. Another photo shows sophomore Gianna Irion (left). About 30 girls between the ages of 3 and 13 took part in this year's camp.

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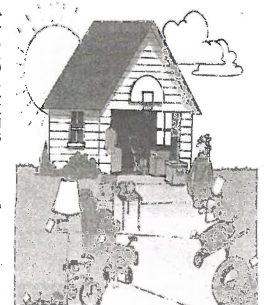
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CGI ENGINEERS HOST STEM DAY AT OAK BROOK HEADQUARTERS

 On November 3, 2017

Innovation has always been at the core of CGI's business. Yesterday, we had the chance to show more than 30 local high school students how studies in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) build the foundation today for the innovations of tomorrow.

"I've been obsessed with engineering and science my whole life," said D.R. Callentine, a CGI engineer who helped coordinate the event. "Here at Chamberlain Group, I work with some of the smartest people making some of the coolest products you can think of. Exposing kids to these kinds of opportunities brings me a lot of joy, but it's also really important that they know these careers exist right here in their backyards."



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The students represented Willowbrook High School, Wheaton Academy and Al Raby High School. They spent the day with different CGI engineering teams working on projects ranging from plastic injection molding, to Bluetooth antenna tuning, to gear assembly and evaluation.

“Applying the lessons they learn on a daily basis to real-world scenarios is invaluable to our students,” said Ben Sawyer, a teacher at Wheaton Academy. “We can teach them the fundamentals of science and math, but experiences like today help them understand why those fundamentals are important, and that gets them even more excited to learn.”

“The earlier we can get students and young people thinking about the problems our engineers solve every day, the more likely they are to discover those big solutions that will someday change the world,” said Mark Karasek, CGI’s CTO and EVP of Engineering. “We innovate at CGI, so we’re invested in developing those who think big!”

CGI used the day of learning as an opportunity to take their commitment to next-generation innovation one step further by making a \$10,000 donation to DuPage

Children's Museum (DCM). Our donation will support The Family Access Membership Program (FAM) that offers a deeply discounted membership to qualifying families and as well as sponsor the Art Is Instrumental, An Interact with Art Gallery Exhibition opening to the public on Saturday, November 11, 2017.

"DCM is dedicated to igniting the potential of all children to learn through hands-on exploration," said Elaine Drikakis, DCM's Director of Development. "Chamberlain Group's STEM day was an extension of DCM's philosophy, so the partnership made a lot of sense. We're very grateful for their donation."

This was CGI's fourth donation in 2017 that helped benefit the lives and interests of children. In June, as part of our Wellbeing campaign, we donated to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, our partnership with the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County will support their Special Needs Adventure Day and last week's ONETeam Moves 5K helped raise funds for Chicago Run, a local organization devoted to eradicating childhood obesity through running programs.

"Good Corporate Citizenship is a CGI Value," said CGI CEO, JoAnna Sohovich. "Programs like this are not only in alignment with our family and company values, they are also a good investment in our future generation of leaders."



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