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[top left photo]: Volunteers help prepare lunch during Addison Trail's Pay It Forward/Freshmen Orientation event on Feb. 16. The day provides an opportunity for eighth-graders to build a foundation at Addison Trail and learn what it means to be a Blazer. [top right photo]: Pictured are Addison Trail students and staff members who helped coordinate the event. [bottom photo]: Students participate in a Pay It Forward/Freshmen Orientation activity.

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Addison Trail holds 'Pay It Forward' event for incoming freshmen

On Feb. 16, Addison Trail hosted its annual Pay It Forward event for incoming students, which also included a Freshman Orientation com-

ponent. More than 350 students, including 260 eighth-graders, participated in this year's event, which featured a clubs and sports theme. Incoming freshmen spent the day with Addison Trail students and staff, learning what it means to be an Addison Trail Blazer.

The day included various leadership workshops, speakers, team

building exercises and activities to help students understand what it means to "Pay It Forward" in high school and in life. Participants also were able to watch a Boys Varsity Basketball Game (which was Senior Night, and the team won against Wheaton Academy) to gain firsthand experience of Addison Trail Blazer Pride. The event concluded with a reflection period and a dance, where

students were able to celebrate their work.

A CORE team of high school student leaders led Pay It Forward, and volunteer staff leaders were present to assist with the team building exercises and to answer questions throughout the day. Pay It Forward gives eighth-grade students an opportunity to build a foundation at Addison Trail.

Women's Club of Addison seeks scholarship applicants

Now through April 3, the Women's Club of Addison is accepting applications for two \$1,500 scholarships for the 2019-20 academic school year. They will be awarded to female graduating seniors who have been accepted at an accredited two- or four-year college or university. Candidates may attend any high school, public or parochial, but must be a current resident of Addison.

Scholarships will be awarded based on scholastic achievement, school involvement, community service, and financial need. Applications are currently available at the Addison Trail High School guidance department and the Addison Village Hall information desk.

Decisions will be made mid-April and the scholarships will be awarded at a special Women's Club of Addison event in May 2019. Application deadline is April 3.

ACA seeks artists for fall shows

The Addison Center for the Arts is calling all artists interested in having a one-person or group exhibit in its gallery. It is presently booking for fall, 2019 and 2020. If interested, please send 10-12 samples on a CD of your art along with a resume to the Exhibits Chairman, Addison Center for the Arts, 213 N. Lombard Road. For more information, visit addison-centerforthearts.org or call 630-458-4500.

Wesley School receives free books from Addison UPS Store

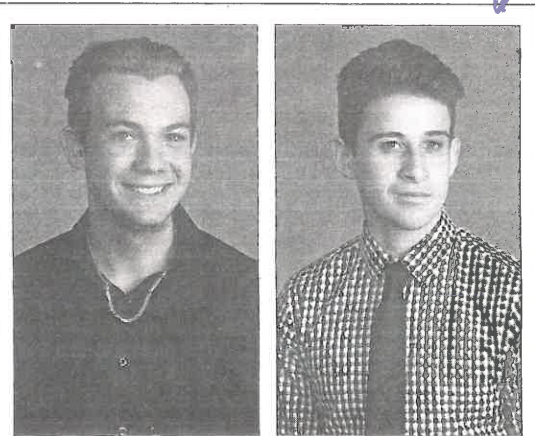
Every student at Wesley School received a new book at an all-school assembly on Friday, Feb. 22, thanks to a generous donation from the Addison UPS Store and its customers.

Gene Foxen and John Zannoni from the Addison UPS Store came to Wesley and brought 300 new books with them. The visitors explained that UPS customers had donated books through the Toys for Tots Literacy Program and that the customers' donations were matched by United Parcel Service. Books were separated by grade level and every student had the opportunity to select a favorite to take home.

The "Books4All" assembly celebrated reading, recognizing students who are leading each classroom in the number of minutes logged. All students were encouraged to continue logging their reading time to help the school achieve its 1,000,000-minute reading goal, as well as to earn incentives provided by Pizza Hut, Great America, and Kane County Cougars.

Wesley School has implemented a house system this year, where

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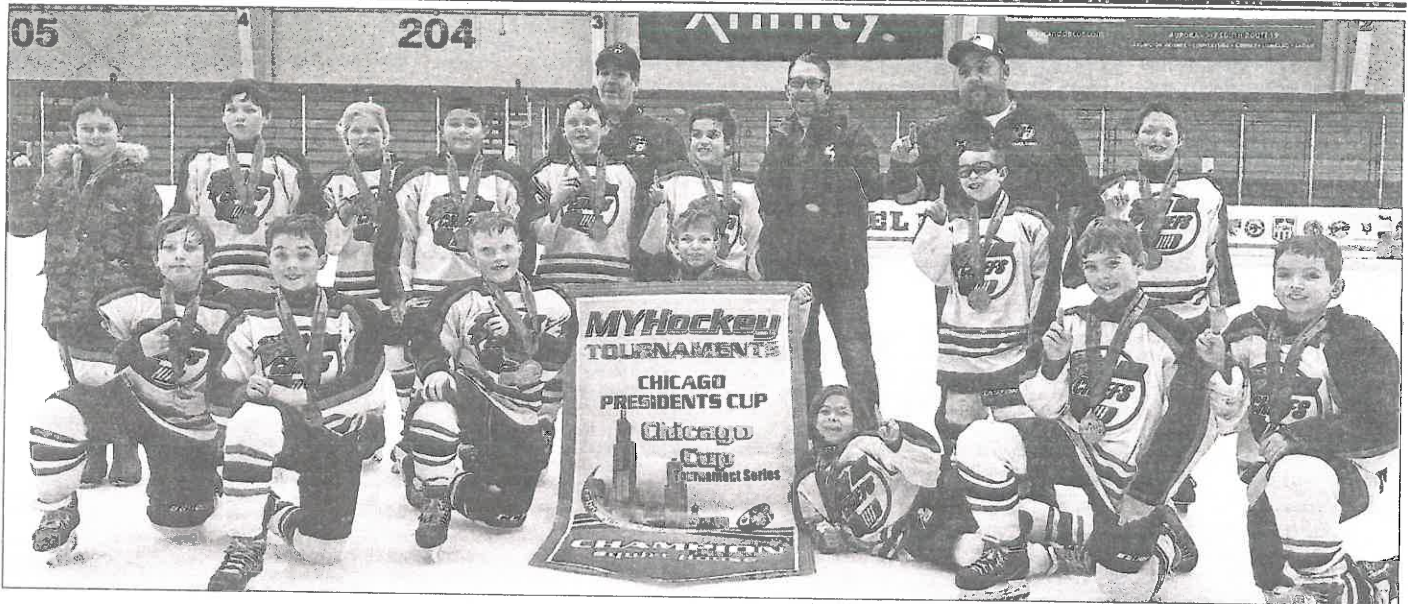
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Addison Trail students take 3rd at 'Top Tech Challenge'

Addison Trail seniors Jeffrey Paul Jr. (pictured at left) and Eric Estrada (pictured at right) recently finished in 3rd place at Universal Technical Institute's (UTI) High School Top Tech Challenge. The event took place on Feb. 14 at the UTI Lisle campus and involved hands-on and written automotive testing on vehicle parts, brakes, diagnostics and electrical systems. Paul and Estrada each earned a \$5,000 scholarship to UTI, and Addison Trail received about \$1,000 worth of tools for the school's automotive program.

SPORTS

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The Chiefs White Squirr hockey club, with players from Addison, Bensenville, Elmhurst and Villa Park, traveled to Geneva and won the Presidents' Cup tournament recently, recording a 9-0 shutout in the Championship game against the Falcons from Missouri. Front Row (left to right): Lucas Potyrala, Jake Keller, Cooper Forsberg, Peter Kallianis, Tatiana Kallianis, Madden Taylor and Tommy Hosler. Middle Row: Connor Hood, Brady Carroll, Brooke Vogel, Lucas Kabat, Danny Rudman, Marco Gattone, Santino Caponigri and Josh Redick. Back Row: Coaches Brian Carroll, Jeff Redick and Ken Kabat.

COURTESY PHOTO The Independent

Chiefs Squirr hockey club wins Presidents Cup Madden Taylor nets 5 goals in Championship game

The Chiefs Hockey Club Squirr White team won the 2019 Chicago Presidents' Cup Tournament with an impressive 9-0 victory over the Falcons from Chesterfield, Missouri. The team bested a talented field of hockey clubs from St. Louis, Indiana, Hoffman Estates and West Dundee to win gold. "This was some of the best team defense we have played all season," said head coach Brian Carroll. "They say defense wins championships and that was definitely the

case this weekend."

Made up of players from Elmhurst, Addison, Villa Park, Bensenville and other towns, the Chiefs definitely travel well.

In the finale, the Chiefs took an early lead when Josh Redick carried the puck into the offensive zone off the opening face-off and hit Lucas Potyrala with a pass in the high slot. Potyrala skated to open ice and found Madden Taylor on the crease with a pass that Taylor deposited in the back of the net 33 seconds into

the game. The Chiefs seized a commanding 3-0 lead before the first intermission as Taylor completed the natural Hat Trick and Potyrala and Redick recorded Playmakers, each gaining three assists.

To start the second period, Danny Rudman scored a short-handed goal on a high wrist shot as time ran out on a Chiefs' penalty. Redick recorded a goal on another assist by Potyrala before Taylor lit the lamp again. Tatiana Kallianis then got on the scoresheet when she scored

a goal on an assist from Tommy Hosler. Taylor recorded his fifth tally of the game before Rudman scored again just before the end of the second. Strong defense was key to supporting the offensive display of the first two periods. That defensive effort was led by Marco Gattone, Lucas Kabat and Jake Keller.

Forwards Santino Caponigri, Brady Carroll, Cooper Forsberg and Brooke Vogel dominated control of the puck in the final frame and maintained possession in the team's

offensive zone to limit comeback opportunities for their opponents from the Show-Me State.

Goalie Peter Kallianis recorded his fourth shut-out victory of the tournament in the championship game.

"The team seems to be peaking at the right time," said coach Jeff Redick. "We have playoffs and another tournament in South Bend, Indiana coming up and I think we are playing our best hockey of the season."

Addison Trail-Willowbrook boys swimming team competes at sectional

Palma sets Willowbrook indoor 1,600 record; AT, WB boys' hoops teams open playoffs

By Mike Miazga
CORRESPONDENT

The Addison Trail-Willowbrook co-op boys swimming team placed ninth at the recent York sectional in Elmhurst.

AT-Willowbrook had 62 points and was six points out of eighth place.

John Burns took fifth in the 50 free with a time of 22.00. Evan Zimmerman was eighth in the event with a

time of 22.57.

Michal Niemirski was 21st in the 100. The freshman swam a 54.78 in the event. Sean Pienkos was 17th in the 200 with a time of 1:58.79. Niemirski was 19th with a time of 2:00.47.

Pienkos was 13th in the 500 with a time of 5:20.64, while sophomore Cole McGinnis was 19th with a time of 5:32.96.

Zimmerman was ninth in the backstroke with a time of 56.42. Eric Hoda was 17th in the same event with a time of 1:03.20.

Aidan Nichols was 14th in the 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:06.62.

Thomas Holmes followed in 18th place with a time of 1:08.99.

Marco Chaidex finished 16th in the 100 butterfly with a time of 1:04.25. Freshman Matthew Burrow was 20th with a time of 1:07.49.

Holmes was 18th in the 200 IM with a time of 2:18.81, while Burrow was 20th in 2:20.87.

AT-Willowbrook was seventh in the 200 relay with a time of 1:31.74 with Zimmerman, Nichols, Chaidex and Burns. AT-Willowbrook was 11th in the 400 relay in 3:40.59 with Hoda, Pienkos, Chaidex and Niemirski.

AT-Willowbrook added a sixth-

place finish in the 200 medley relay in 1:43.30 with Zimmerman, Nichols, Chaidex and Burns.

Willowbrook boys basketball

The Willowbrook boys basketball team is part of the Class 4A Bartlett sectional. The Warriors are the 10th seed in the sectional and opened play earlier this week in the Class 4A Downers Grove South sectional in a quarterfinal game against No. 22 seed Glenbard North.

If Willowbrook won that game, it played Wednesday against No. 5 seed Downers Grove North. If Willowbrook defeated Downers Grove

North it will play for the Downers South regional title on Friday at 7 p.m. against either No. 15 Batavia, No. 19 Naperville Central or No. 3 Downers Grove South.

Addison Trail boys basketball

The Addison Trail boys basketball team was a recent 58-47 non-conference winner against Wheaton Academy on senior night. Sheldon Algood led the Blazers with 16 points. JT Daniels and AJ Carlson each added 12 points. Adem Mehmeti finished with 10 points.

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Fenton's Fischer finishes 12th in state in backstroke

First Bison boys swimming medalist in more than 25 years; Bison fifth at sectional

By Mike Miazga
CORRESPONDENT

Fenton senior Nik Fischer capped off his senior swimming year in style.

Fischer finished 12th in the 100 backstroke at the recent boys state swimming finals held at New Trier High School in Winnetka.

Fischer clocked in at 51.74 in the finals of the backstroke.

Fischer is Fenton's first boys

swimming state medalist since 1993 when the 200 medley relay team took 12th and Tim Schnulle won the state title in the 100, took second in the 50 and was part of the medley relay team that medaled.

Fischer advanced to the finals after finishing 10th in the backstroke preliminaries with a time of 51.58. He was seeded at 52.48. Fischer's 52.48 seed time was the highest of the 12 swimmers that advanced to the finals. The lowest seed time was 49.57.

Earlier, the Bison placed fifth at the recent Glenbrook South sectional. Fenton finished with 100.5 points and finished higher than

eight other teams.

Fenton was fourth in the 200 medley relay in 1:37.07 with Fischer, Conrad Oberski, Matt Janovsky and Lucas Feddersen.

Janovsky was ninth in the 200 with a time of 1:50.89, while Jason Gasior finished 14th in 2:03.96. Matthew McElroy was 17th in the 200 IM with a time of 2:23.98.

Oberski finished fifth in the 50 with a time of 21.99, while Feddersen tied for 11th with a time of 22.95.

Janovsky was eighth in the 100 butterfly with a time of 54.27. Maciej Sporna tied for 18th in 1:05.68.

Fischer was fifth in the 100 with

a time of 48.10, while Kasper Wil-do was 18th in 53.27. Feddersen took 15th in the 500 with a time of 5:21.94.

Fenton was fifth in the 200 relay in 1:29.37 with Oberski, Janovsky, Feddersen and Fischer.

Fischer took fourth in the backstroke and qualified for state with a time of 52.48, which was under the state cut of 53.16. He was one of six swimmers in the sectional to qualify for state in that event.

Oberski was sixth in the breaststroke with a time of 1:00.84, while Patryk Bartnik was 17th with a time of 1:09.15.

Fenton was ninth in the 400 relay

with a time of 3:40.39 with McElroy, Sporna, Jordan Loyola and Wil-do.

Fenton boys basketball

The Fenton boys basketball team kicked off postseason play earlier this week in the Class 4A York regional. Fenton is the No. 19 seed in the Class 4A Proviso West sectional. The Bison played a Class 4A quarterfinal game against Chicago Prosser (No. 14 seed) on Monday.

If Fenton won that game, it played No. 3 sectional seed York on Tuesday for a chance to go to the regional championship game Friday at York at 7 p.m.

• Basketball (Continued from page 13)

Addison Trail also downed Proviso West in the West Suburban Conference crossover place-finish series in Hillside. K'Vohn Pounds paced the Blazers with 15 points. Carlson added 13 points, while JT Daniels had 12 points and Mehmeti had 10 points.

The Addison Trail boys basketball team also is part of the Class 4A Bartlett sectional.

The Blazers are the No. 16 seed in the sectional.

Addison Trail opened its postseason earlier in the week in the Class 4A DeKalb regional where it played a quarterfinal game against No. 18 Glenbard East.

If Addison Trail won that game, it played No. 2 sectional seed Benet Academy on Tuesday for a chance

to play for the regional title Friday in DeKalb against either No. 7 Lake Park or No. 12 DeKalb.

Willowbrook girls track

The Willowbrook girls track team established a host of personal records during its recent Willowbrook invite, including Victoria Palma setting the Willowbrook indoor record in the 1,600 with a time of 5:10.48.

Other PRs from the meet included Marisol Magna (13-5 in the long jump), Elise Sanchez (14-3 1/4 in the long jump), Grace Burns (29-11 3/4 in the triple jump), Morgan Bauers (4-6 in the high jump and 8.74 in the 55 dash), Aniyah Rushing (32-6 in the shot put), Nicole DeSanto (24-11 in the shot put) and Gianna Irion (51.56 in the 300), along with

Antone Jones (4-4 in the high jump) and Michelle Villalobos (2:39.13 in the 800).

Additionally, Jahne Jones (46.02 in the 300), Samantha Williams (10.15 in the 55 high hurdles), Elizabeth Bruschuk (10.74 in the 55 high hurdles), Fiona Murphy (33.21 in the 200), Zobia Nafasat (10.68 in the 55), Melissa Florey (31.94 in the 200), Katherin Tortorici (32.05 in the 200 and 28-11 3/4 in the triple jump).

Tumilty honored

Willowbrook football standout Scotty Tumilty recently was awarded the National Football Foundation Scholarship Award and trophy recently at Halas Hall in Lake Forest, the practice facility of the Chicago Bears.

Blood drive in response to Aurora tragedy

The Westin Lombard Yorktown Center will host a blood drive on Monday, March 4, to honor those impacted by the tragic events in Aurora last week and as a salute to area first responders. The drive will be held in the Cypress meeting room from 1-7 p.m.

"The Westin Lombard joins the people of Aurora in standing up against this senseless violence and supporting the families of those impacted," said General Manager Michael Feigenbaum. "We also want to recognize the heroic efforts of our area's police officers and firefighters who work to protect our safety on a daily basis."

The Lombard Police were among the local departments on the scene at the Henry Pratt Company.

In response to the shooting, Vitalant

sent 25 units of blood to area hospitals while its sister blood centers across the country had shipped an additional 70 blood components to help support the patients' ongoing blood needs here in the Chicagoland area.

It takes about 2.5 days to process, test, prepare and ship blood once it has been donated, and it is the blood already on hospital shelves that saves lives. That's why it is crucial to constantly replenish the supply so that hospitals are ready for tragic situations like this. At least 400 donations are needed each day to meet the needs of people throughout the Chicagoland area.

To schedule an appointment for the blood drive, visit vitalant.org, log in, scroll down to search by Group Code 298A or call 877-258-4825.



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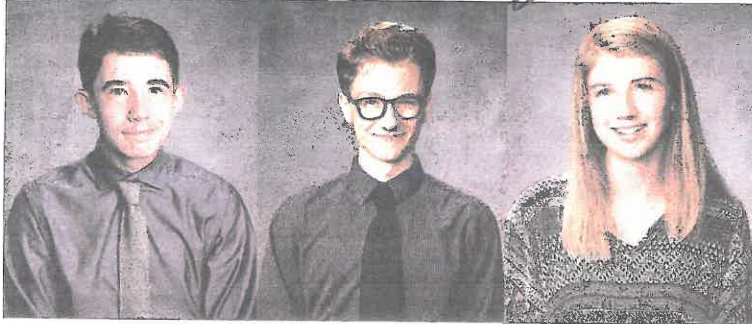
The Villa Park Parks and Recreation Department's Discover Dance program held its annual recital—"The Greatest Show"—last Saturday in the auditorium at Willowbrook High School. About 150 girls between the ages of 3 and 15 take part in the Discover Dance program. The girls have been practicing at the Iowa Community Center Monday through Thursday since September. The dancers held a dress rehearsal at Willowbrook on Friday. Saturday's presentation featured 22 different numbers, including one with several of the participants' fathers on the stage with their daughters. The dancers during Saturday's presentation included (above left photo) Lily Weder, (top right) Angelica Delgado and (above right) Katelyn Bussert. Other performers included (left photo-left to right) Savannah Smith and Ashley Boynton, and (top left-left to right) Olivia Peacock, Kennedy Grobe and Adalyn Bostian.

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Pictured are (from left) Willowbrook seniors Jackson Hathaway, Maxwell Polanek and Annie Ross, who have been named as finalists in the 64th annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

Three Willowbrook seniors named as finalists in 2019 National Merit Scholarship Program

Willowbrook seniors Jackson Hathaway, Maxwell Polanek and Annie Ross have been named as finalists in the 64th annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

According to the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), the students now have the opportunity to earn National Merit Scholarships this spring. To become finalists, the students had to submit

a detailed application that provided information about their academic record, participation in school and community activities, demonstrated leadership abilities, employment and honors and awards received.

According to the NMSC, more than 1.6 million juniors in about 22,000 high schools entered the 2019 National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the 2017 Pre-

liminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®), which served as an initial screen of program entrants. About 15,000 students are named as Finalists.

National Merit Scholarships will be offered this spring, and recipients will be announced between April and July. For more information, go to <https://tinyurl.com/yb62vj9>.

District 88 participates in Lincoln Award: Illinois Teen Readers' Choice Award program

District 88 students recently participated in the Lincoln Award: Illinois Teen Readers' Choice Award program, where students vote for their favorite book from a provided master list.

According to <https://www.aisled.org/lincoln.htm>, "This program encourages teens to read for pleasure and to become lifelong readers. Named after former (U.S.) President Abraham Lincoln, an avid reader and noted author, the Lincoln Award is sponsored by Illinois School Library Media Association (ISLMA) and administered by the steering committee."

The Lincoln Award is given to the book from that year's master list that

earns the highest number of student votes. For a book to reach the master list, adult and young adult fiction and nonfiction titles must be nominated by teachers or librarians and vetted by the nominations committee. While the popularity of a particular title is important, the overall quality of the work is of primary importance. Each year, a panel of high school librarians, teachers, public librarians and students determines the final master list of 20 titles. Registered students promote these books, and students who have read four or more titles are eligible to vote.

District 88 voted on Feb. 12. Addison Trail voted for "The Hate U Give" by Angie Thomas, and Wil-

lowbrook voted for "Scythe" by Neal Shusterman. As a district, 52 pupils participated in the program, reading a total of 348 books. Participants who read at least four titles from the list were able to enter a raffle to win prizes, and below are the raffle winners.

- Willowbrook raffle winners:**
- Junior Elizabeth Swastek: Kindle Fire tablet;
 - Sophomore Gabriella Caruso: Culver's gift card;
 - Junior Luke Fisher: Portillo's gift card.

For more information about the program, go to <https://www.aisled.org/lincoln.htm>.

Villa Park residents can weigh in on recreation programs

Villa Park residents are being asked to help Villa Park Parks and Recreation plan for the future.

Residents will receive a survey link in their February water bill. The purpose of the survey is to receive input to determine parks and recreation priorities for the possibility of building a new Recreation Center and/or outdoor pool.

The survey will take approximately 10-15 minutes to complete and will aid the Parks and Recreation Department in taking a community values-driven approach to making decisions that will guide the future of facilities and recreation program offerings to enrich residents' lives and enhance the community.

Villa Park Parks and Recreation is

working with Pros Consulting and ETC Institute to administer and compile the survey results which will be presented to the village board at a future meeting. All responses will remain confidential. Residents who prefer to complete a paper survey instead of the online version can call the Iowa Community Center at 630-834-8970 and request a paper copy.

Recreation Department set to shine at annual Princess Ball

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Young ladies and their favorite date are formally invited to the Princess Ball, Friday, March 15 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Iowa Center Castle, 338 N. Iowa. All will be treated like royalty while enjoying dinner, desserts and dancing the night away with Coach Josh and DJ Superman.

Highlighting the special night will be a visit from a very special Princess who is sure to delight the girls. Couples will receive a keepsake photo. The Princess Ball is \$33 per couple, \$11 each additional daughter. Wrist corsages and boutonnières can be ordered at time of registration for an additional fee and they will be available for pick up at the Princess Ball.



Pictured are Willowbrook students who were recently named to the Technology Center of DuPage (TCD) A-Team for receiving an "A" grade in their respective TCD program electives. They are (from left) Moriah Hill, Makaylah Jones, Nathaniel Lecht-



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Ice, ice, baby

Oakland Avenue in Villa Park was home to a special ice sculpture demonstration for about 30 area residents when local cable TV show "Tom's Table" hosted Scott Stettin. Stettin is known for his ice sculptures, which are seen each year at Brookfield Zoo. Chef Tom and Producer Lou from the show hosted the demonstration, which will be seen as part of the next episode of Tom's Table featuring "Fire and Ice" (Tom's Table can be seen on YouTube as well as Villa Park's Cable channel 6 and Elmhurst channel 19 weekly.) Pictured (left to right) are Stettin, chef Tom Christensen and producer Lou Ciancio.

Willowbrook students named to TCD A-Team for academic excellence

Eleven Willowbrook students have been named to the Technology Center of DuPage (TCD) A-Team for the first semester of the 2018-19 school year.

To earn a place on the A-Team, students must receive an "A" grade in their respective TCD program electives. This recognition represents excellence in occupational skills and the program's applied academics.

A-Team members were honored during a ceremony on Feb. 6 at TCD;

which was attended by their family members, as well as administrators from their home high schools. For more information visit tcdpage.org.

Recipients from Willowbrook are senior Angela Cesar, senior Cheikh Fall, senior Ariana Gil, senior Zakoria Harris, senior Moriah Hill, senior Samuel Jager, junior Makaylah Jones, junior Nathaniel Lechtenberg, senior Mark Lobdell, senior Sofia Torres and senior Sulema Villegas-Pasillas.



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enber, Sulema Villegas-Pasillas, Ariana Gil, Zakoria Harris, Mark Lobdell, Sofia Torres, Angela Cesar and Cheikh Fall. Not pictured is Samuel Jager. All are seniors except Jones and Lechtenberg who are juniors.

Opinion

New 'State of District 88' video segment online now

At District 88, maintaining open, honest and transparent communication with stakeholders is a top priority. Ensuring stakeholders are informed and aware of the happenings at our schools is a key aspect of helping to accomplish our mission of working for the continuous improvement of student achievement.

As part of that focus, we partner with Addison Community Television (ACTV) to film "The State of District 88." The show takes place several times throughout the school year and highlights student successes, as well

as important information about the district.

On Feb. 13, we filmed our most recent show. The segment highlights three upcoming events in which the District 88 Foundation will host or participate to raise funds to benefit our students. The foundation will host a basketball tournament on March 2; a fundraiser on March 10 at Drury Lane that includes a performance of "Mamma Mia!," dinner and an auction; and a Blackhawks Experience Package on April 1. To see all the details, go to <https://www.dupage88.net/site/page/9727>.



By **SCOTT HELTON**

Addison Police Department Director of Police Bill Hayden and Villa Park Police Department Chief of Police Mike Lay also joined us to discuss school safety/security

initiatives and programs District 88 has implemented and how we're always evaluating best practices for the safety and well-being of our students, staff and community members. Topics included:

- The School Safety Forum we hosted this past March at Willowbrook, where about 400 student leaders from 28 Chicago-area high schools came together for a day of conversation and planning regarding school safety.

- A Safety and Security Tabletop Exercise we hosted this past April with local first responders, staff members and students.

- The new procedures we adopted at the beginning of this school year to ensure our buildings follow best practices with regard to school safety. District 88 administrators, staff members and students received training in these new procedures, and we worked with the Addison and Villa Park police departments to implement ALICE Training, which stands for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate.

- The Addison Police Department, District 88 and Addison School

District 4 recently working together to receive a grant from the Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) for the School Violence Prevention Program. With the funding from this grant, Addison Trail and Willowbrook high schools and District 4 will buy and install a rapid emergency response system in all school facilities through BluePoint Alert Systems. This system includes pull stations similar to fire alarms, strobe lights and mobile panic buttons that will be placed throughout the schools and outside the buildings.

- The DuPage Regional Office of Education recently receiving a three-year grant called the STOP—which stands for Students, Teachers, Officers Preventing—School Violence and Mental Health Training Program Grant from the Department of Justice. The program is a countywide process to train students and educators through a comprehensive trauma-informed care approach that focuses on prevention of school violence due to unmet mental health needs.

Scott Helton is superintendent of District 88, which includes Willowbrook High School.

Slices of life

People come in all sizes

I look up to my husband. Always have. Literally.

He is about eight inches taller than me, which gives me a straight view up and into his nose. When he has the occasional booger – and who among us doesn't – I am often the first to see it. And point it out.

It's all in the name of helping him. He doesn't always appreciate me dissecting the contents of his nose.

"You're always looking for boogers," he said. "No I'm not," I said. "They're just there."

Seriously I'm not looking for boogers. I don't seek them out. I'm not a booger junkie.

I just happen to have the perfect vantage point to see and know when he needs to blow his nose. He'd probably be the first to know if I had dandruff.

It's all about your point of view. And each of us has one that is ours and ours alone.

Perspective. It's like the blue or gold dress phenomenon from awhile back. Or the Laura/Yanni recording. Some people saw blue, others gold. Some heard Laura, others Yanni. Some saw and heard a little of both. Each of us was sure our choice was correct even though there was clearly a difference of opinion amongst us.



By **JILL PERTLER**
Contributor

I'm right; therefore you must be wrong.

Not quite. These two scenarios are indicative of something pretty darn significant and it's not that we all have our own perspectives on the world. We're probably already aware of that. What these instances show is that maybe, just maybe, no one is right. Or maybe better said, we all could be right. Or, maybe, sometimes, there is more than one right answer. Mind blown? Mine too.

The environment today is not always the most empathetic regarding differences of opinion. Contrarily, I might even label it judgmental and sometimes blatantly hostile. People with differing opinions on varying matters often use harsh words against one another – usually via social media because it's easier that way. Bashing someone in person can be downright uncomfortable, not to mention dangerous.

Harsh words – written, spoken

or otherwise – do not often bring someone around to your line of thinking. We all know this. Still, I find harsh words about and I wonder what can be done about it – if anything can be done about it.

When we disagree is it possible to say that maybe there is no one right answer? Fifty shades of the truth, one might say. Maybe I see boogers and my husband sees dandruff and we are both correct and there is no need for either of us to get all gruffy about it because we are only pointing out the obvious from our own point of view.

But I'm belittling matters. The world is a complicated place. Our issues are intertwined, interconnected and complex. We all come to them with our own set of life circumstances, experiences and yes, perspectives.

Religion, politics, social issues and the difference between right and wrong have no easy or pat answers. We can't boil them down to being simply a result of differing perspectives. We certainly can't compare them to boogers and dandruff. It isn't as simple as that.

Then again maybe it is. Jill Pertler is an award-winning syndicated columnist, published playwright, author and member of the National Society of Newspaper Columnists. Don't miss a slice; follow the Slices of Life page on Facebook.

Thomas More Society: Illinois would become 3rd trimester abortion destination and an underage abortion haven under new bills

The Thomas More Society has released an analysis of the Democratic-sponsored House Bill 2495 and Senate Bill 1942, labeled by abortion promoters as the "Reproductive Health Act."

The proposed bill, along with a partner component, House Bill 2467 and Senate Bill 1594, would comprise "the most radical piece of abortion legislation that has ever been introduced in Illinois, and...the most radical proposed in any state to date," according to the Thomas More Society's detailed analysis, by Constitutional Law expert Paul Benjamin Linton.

"The Democratic supermajority's proposals now pending in the Illinois General Assembly are the most pro-abortion legislative measures of their type in the country," said Peter Breen, vice president and senior counsel for the Thomas More Society, and former Illinois House Minority Floor Leader.

"The barbaric procedures promoted by this legislation are nothing short of infanticide. These bills go well beyond the recent New York law and would turn Illinois into a third-trimester abortion destination and an underage abortion haven. Governor J.B. Pritzker promised that his Illinois Democrats would turn the state into the most 'progressive' in the country on abortion, and these bills deliver on that violent promise: Pritzker and his Democratic supermajorities would convert the 'Land of Lincoln' into the 'Abortion Capital of America.'"

According to the Society analysis, the bills would do the following:

- Allow abortions for any reason throughout all nine months of pregnancy;
- Eliminate any restrictions on where abortions may be performed;
- Allow non-physicians, including nurses and physician assistants, to perform abortions, both surgical and medical;
- Undermine and threaten institutional and individual rights of conscience;
- Jeopardize any meaningful regulation of abortion clinics;
- Require private health insurance policies to include coverage for all abortions, with no exemptions, even for churches and other religious organizations;
- Eliminate any requirement to investigate fetal deaths or maternal deaths resulting from abortion;
- Repeal law prohibiting "kickbacks" for abortion referrals;
- Repeal the Parental Notice of Abortion Act of 1995, which has been responsible for a reduction of more than 55 percent in abortions among Illinois minors since 2012.

The bills are pending in the 101st General Assembly as House Bills 2467 and 2495 and Senate Bills 1594 and 1942.



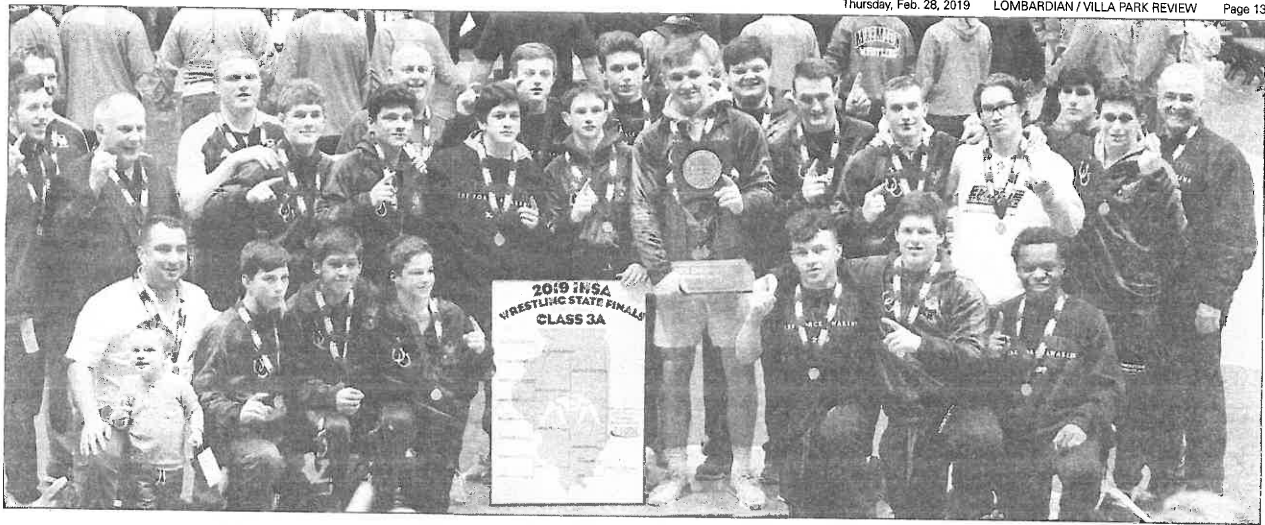
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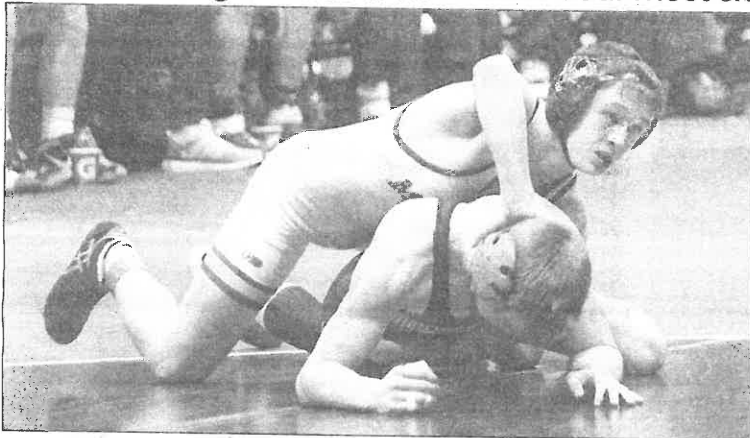
The Montini wrestling program captured the IHSA Class 3A dual-meet state title last Saturday in Bloomington. The Broncos won three straight dual meets on Saturday to claim the program's 15 dual-meet state championship since 2000. The Broncos

opened the day with a win over Barrington. They then beat DeKalb in the semifinal round before defeating Oak Park/River Forest in the championship dual.

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Dominant Broncos win another state dual-meet title

Program has won 15 state dual-meet championships since 2000



The Montini wrestling team won the IHSA Class 3A dual-meet state championship last Saturday at Grossinger Motors Arena in Bloomington. The Broncos won three dual meets on Saturday. They finished the day with a 41-18 win over Oak Park/River Forest in the championship meet.

Montini, which has won two straight

(Left) Junior Dylan Ragusin of Montini won all three of his matches on Saturday. Competing at 126 pounds, Ragusin earned first-period pins against his opponents from Barrington and DeKalb. He earned a 3-0 win against his Oak Park/River Forest opponent. Ragusin and seniors Peter Christiansen and Jake Stiles won individual state championships on Feb. 16 in Champaign. Each of the three Montini standouts went 3-0 during Saturday's action in Bloomington.

dual-meet state titles, and a total of 15 state championships since the 1999-2000 season, completed the 2018-19 campaign with an overall dual-meet record of 27-2.

The Broncos have won seven dual-meet state titles under coach Israel Martinez, who has been the program's head coach since the 2010-11 season. Montini won the state dual-meet title during each of Martinez's first five seasons. Mike Bukovsky coached the Broncos to their first eight state dual-meet titles before stepping down after Montini won the state championship during the 2009-10 season.

The Broncos opened Saturday's competition with a 58-10 win over Barrington in the quarterfinal round. Montini then edged DeKalb 31-30 in the semifinals.

The Broncos advanced to the state quarterfinals with a 52-12 win over Sandburg in a sectional battle at Sandburg on Feb. 19.

Montini's winners in the semifinal victory over DeKalb included senior Peter Christensen, who pinned his opponent in the first period of the 195-pound match, and sophomore Nick Gonzalez, who earned a 1-0 decision in the 106-pound contest. Sophomore Nain Vasquez prevailed 7-6 in the 120-pound match. Junior Dylan Ragusin delivered a first-period pin in the 126-pound battle. Senior Dylan Burnoski secured a 6-4 win in the 138-pound match. Junior Fidel Mayora then claimed a 13-6 decision at 145 pounds.

Freshman Cooper Wettig scored an 8-0 victory in the 152-pound match. Senior Jake Stiles gave the Broncos a 7-2 victory in the 160-pound contest. DeKalb then won the 170- and 182-pound matches by forfeit to tighten the meet's final score.

Montini's winners in the championship dual against Oak Park/River Forest included Gonzalez, who delivered a pin in the 113-pound match, and Ragusin, who won a 3-0 decision in the 126-pound match. Freshman Joe Fernau defeated his opponent 17-2 in the 106-pound contest. Wettig delivered a first-period pin at 145 pounds, while Stiles earned a 13-1 decision in the 160-pound match.

Senior Anthony Geraci claimed a 4-2 win at 170 pounds, while junior Trevor Swier won a 5-3 decision at 182 pounds. Christensen closed out his perfect 3-0 day with a 21-6 win in the 195-pound match.

Christensen finished the season with an overall record of 51-2. Stiles, who like Christensen went 3-0 on Saturday, completed the season with a perfect 51-0 record. Ragusin, who was another three-time winner on Saturday, finished the season with a 47-6 record. Christensen, Stiles and Ragusin won individual state championships at the IHSA individual state meet in Champaign on Feb. 16.

Palma recognized as a member of IHSA Honorable Mention All-State Academic Team

Willowbrook senior Victoria Palma has been named to the 2019 Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Honorable Mention All-State Academic Team.

According to the IHSA website (ihsa.org), every IHSA member school was invited to nominate one female student and one male student to be a part of the team. Nominees needed to possess a minimum 3.5 grade-point average on a 4.0 scale after their seventh semester and have participated in at least two IHSA-sponsored activities during each of the last two years of high school. Additionally, nominees must have demonstrated outstanding citizenship.

A committee made up of principals, athletic directors and activities directors nominated the hundreds of evaluations from around the state.

Palma has committed to attend the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She will be a member of the women's cross country and track and field teams. Palma is a four-year member of Willowbrook's girls cross country and track and field teams. She is a two-time qualifier in the IHSA Class 3A state cross country meet. As a junior, she finished 77th at the 2017 state meet. In November, she finished 66th at the state meet. She completed the 3-mile course in 17 minutes, 50.93 seconds.

Palma holds the Willowbrook girls track and field program's record time in the 1,600-meter outdoor run (5 minutes, 8-seconds). On Feb. 16, she set a new Willowbrook indoor record in the 1,600-meter run with her time of 5

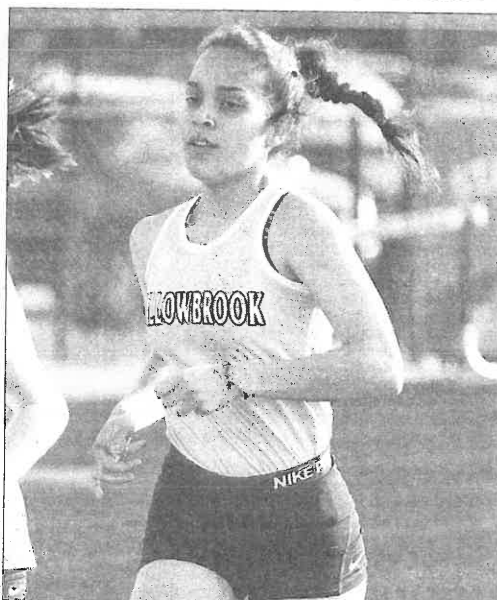


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Senior Victoria Palma of Willowbrook High School was recently named to the 2019 IHSA Honorable Mention All-State Academic Team. Palma has been a standout on the school's girls' cross country and track and field teams. She qualified for the IHSA Class 3A state cross country meet during her junior and senior seasons. She recently began her senior season on Willowbrook's girls track and field team.

minutes, 10.48 seconds.

Palma, who has an academic class ranking within the top 1 percent of Willowbrook's Class of 2019, plans to pursue a degree in mechanical engineering or civil engineering at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.



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On Feb. 16, Palma set the program's new indoor record in the 1,600-meter run with her finishing time of 5 minutes, 10.48 seconds. Palma, who is pictured while competing in the IHSA Class 3A track and field sectional at Wheaton Warrenville South last year, will attend the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She will be a member of the school's women's cross country and track and field teams.

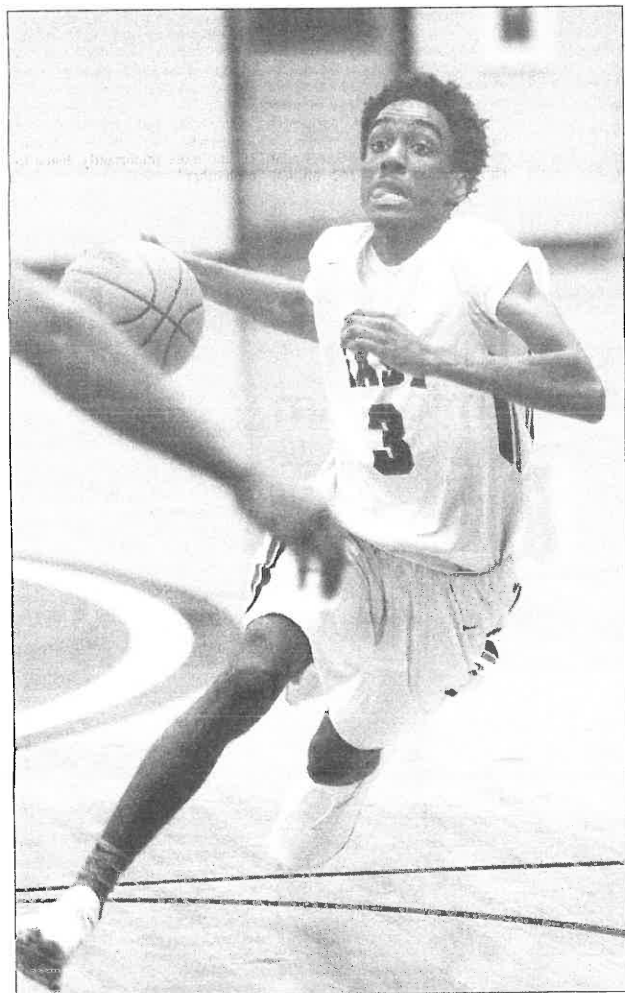


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Willowbrook basketball player Masys honored

Prior to the Willowbrook boys basketball game on Feb. 1 against Morton, senior Matas Masys (second from right, holding white ball) was honored and recognized for scoring 1,000 points throughout his varsity high school career. He is the second player in school history to reach that accomplishment. Masys was presented

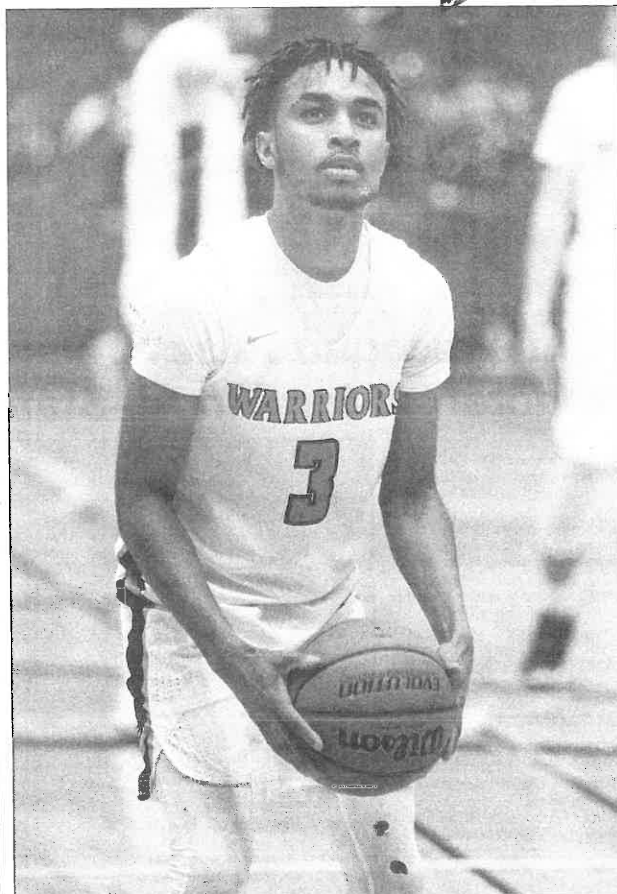
with a banner for his achievement and was joined by family members and coaches (from left): Troy Nelson, Chris Colson, Chris Perkins, Ryan Rader, Darius Masys (his father), Viktorija Maslene (his mother) and Ryan Tyszkiewicz.



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Rams complete regular season

The Glenbard East boys basketball team finished its regular season with last week's 59-54 Upstate Eight Conference win at Bartlett. Junior Daron Hall (No. 3) scored 23 points for the Rams, who finished the regular season at 13-16 overall and 9-9 in the conference. Junior Deon Cook added 11 points, while senior Jake Hulsman and junior Alijah Nelson provided nine and eight points, respectively. Glenbard East opened the IHSA Class 4A post-season this week at the DeKalb Regional.



Scoring eruption

Junior Everett Stubblefield (No. 3) of the Willowbrook boys basketball team scored 41 points in last week's 71-65 loss at Lyons Township in a crossover meeting between teams from the West Suburban Conference's Gold and Silver Divisions. The Warriors, who went 7-5 in Gold play, completed a 16-13 regular season with their loss to Lyons Township. Willowbrook held a 31-26 halftime lead, but the Lions gained a 46-40 advantage by the end of the third quarter. Stubblefield's 41-point outburst was not his highest-scoring game of the season. He scored 42 points during the Warriors' 87-85 overtime win over Oswego East at Sterling High School's Martin Luther King Tournament on Jan. 21. Willowbrook began the IHSA Class 4A post-season this week at the Downers Grove South Regional. The Warriors needed to beat Glenbard North and Downers Grove North to advance to Friday's regional final, where they would likely face Downers Grove South.

Scouting Friday's DuPage County boys basketball regional finals

No. 1 Geneva (29-1) vs.

No. 8 WW South (20-11)

Class 4A Metea Valley regional final

Game time: 7 p.m. Friday.

Outlook: These teams met twice during DuKane Conference play. Geneva won both meetings in different ways — the first by 3 points, the second by 19 points. Guard play will be critical, especially when it comes to Geneva's Jack McDonald, who scored 37 points in Tuesday's win over Hinsdale Central, and Mitch Mascari. WW South's ball-press defense is effective, but it needs to be elite against that duo. As for the Tigers' offense, it'll take something beyond Jeff Kratz' consistency — 15.6 points a game and 90 3-pointers — for them to pull an upset. WW South is deep with perimeter shooters: It's all hands on deck in this one. Matt Schermer, Owen Struebing, Joe Ives, etc. must hit their 3s.

Advancement: Winner advances to Tuesday's Bartlett sectional semifinals to face the winner between No. 4 Lyons Twp. and No. 6 Glenbard West.

No. 4 Lyons Twp. (22-9) vs.

No. 6 Glenbard West (20-9)

Class 4A Glenbard West regional final

Game time: 7 p.m. Friday.

Outlook: After splitting two WSC Silver meetings, this one is up for grabs. The Lions ride a six-game winning streak with an explosive offense that's hit the 70-point mark nine times behind Josh Berry, Grant Nieto and Tyrese Shines. They've also shown the ability to lock down defensively, something they'll focus on against Glenbard West's Evan Taylor, a Southern Illinois recruit. The senior wing's carried the Hilltoppers this season while averaging 21.7 points and 10.4 rebounds. In the semifinal overtime win over Naperville North, though, it took five 3-pointers from Griffin Foster to push Glenbard West over the top. The home court of Biester Gymnasium might be a difference-maker.

Advancement: Winner advances to Tuesday's Bartlett sectional semifinals to face the winner between No. 1 Geneva and No. 8 Wheaton Warrenville South.

No. 2 Benet (24-7) vs.

No. 7 Lake Park (22-7)

Class 4A DeKalb regional final

Game time: 7 p.m. Friday.

Outlook: Twenty-game winners for a 10th straight season, Benet's played its best basketball of the season against solid competition the last two weeks. Opponents have had a brutal time matching up with Benet's physical 6-foot-7 duo of Kendrick Tchoua and Colin Crothers, who combine to average 29.4 points and 15.3 rebounds. The Redwings, winners of six straight, held off Lake Park 47-41 in the WW South MLK Tournament in a game that was tied with three minutes left. Lake Park's

moxie is fun to watch. Between Luke Sgarbossa, Trevor Montiel and Montrell Perry, the Lancers have plenty of playmakers. The trio averages 36 points from the perimeter, in the post and off the dribble.

Next week: Winner advances to Wednesday's Bartlett sectional semifinals to face the winner between No. 3 Downers Grove South and No. 5 Downers Grove North.

No. 3 Downers Grove South (23-7) vs.

No. 5 Downers Grove North (21-11)

Class 4A Downers Grove South regional final

Game time: 7 p.m. Friday.

Outlook: Get ready for some dynamite backcourt play. Downers South's Justin Eagins and Wes Hooker combined for 48 points in the semifinals while the Trojans' Sema'j Henderson and Trey Boston had 37 points. Neither side expected this matchup but the IHSA had to switch around the seeds, and here we are with another cross-town game — Downers South won the regular-season meeting, 46-42, on Dec. 15. If you're looking for wild cards beyond the obvious four names mentioned above, try the Mustangs' Timmeon Gamble, who had 18 points against Batavia, and Downers North's Collin Reed. Downers North last won a regional title in 2002. The Mustangs' previous title was in 2012.

Advancement: Winner advances to Wednesday's Bartlett sectional semifinals to face the winner between No. 2 Benet and No. 7 Lake Park.

No. 2 Waubonsie Valley (26-4) vs.

No. 10 Plainfield North (15-15)

Class 4A Andrew regional final

Game time: 7 p.m. Friday.

Outlook: Seeking its first regional crown since 2008, Waubonsie Valley will hope this goes as well as when it beat Plainfield North 58-49 on Feb. 12. Guard Eric Cannon and swingman Marcus Skeete each scored 20 points against the Tigers, Cannon raising for 4 of his 63 3s and Skeete going 11 of 13 from the foul line. They are the ringleaders, but guard Derrien Porter and lengthy 6-foot-4 forward Caymen Woods each scored in double figures against Lincoln-Way East. Forward Nikhil Khanna, shooter Ben Schwiager, guards Cole Gregorio and Mason Marinelli add depth. Plainfield North's strong 6-6 Carter Thurman anchors a cast of shooters, and 6-3 Cooper Bridges did not play when these two last met.

Advancement: Winner advances to Tuesday's East Aurora sectional semifinals to face the winner between No. 3 Oswego East and No. 11 Lemont.

No. 3 York (28-4) at

No. 6 Oak Park-River Forest (18-9)

Class 4A York regional final

Game time: 7 p.m. Friday.

Outlook: Ever since the pairings were announced, both sides have ben

eyeing this three-match. Oak Park won both WSC Silver games, although the Dukes narrowed the margin from 29 points to 2 points on their home court. That's the lone loss for the Dukes in Campbell Gymnasium, and one York would love to avenge. A veteran Dukes group scores from all angles with Sam Walsh in the post and Erik Cohn, Nick Kosich, Nate Shockey and John Milling on the perimeter. York made 12 3-pointers in its semifinal win over Prosser. A similar effort will put tremendous pressure on Oak Park, which also boasts multiple scoring options. Anthony Roberts, Chase Robinson and Josh Smith all have hurt the Dukes.

Advancement: Winner advances to Wednesday's Proviso West sectional semifinals to face the winner between No. 2 Young and No. 10 Lane.

No. 1 Glenbard South (22-6)

vs. No. 5 Montini (12-19)

Class 3A IMSA regional final

Game time: 7 p.m. Friday.

Outlook: Tempo may play a role. Point guard Kevin Enright and Glenbard South enjoys transition but favors half-court sets around 6-foot-8 Ryan Harrington, shooter Tommy Powers and power forward Cole Hardtke, off a personal-high 29 points against Kaneland. Guard Nick Plaso has excelled subbing for injured Tavion Keith. Only twice have the Raiders allowed 60 points or more. Montini can attack in fast-moving waves led by sophomore slasher Kai Evans, averaging 18 points, 3-shooting Julian Gatewood and Luke Morrill. Back healthy, intense guard Scott West and 6-4 Fred Stokes improve a team better than its record. The Broncos haven't won a regional since 1983, the Raiders recently in 2016, 2017.

Advancement: Winner advances to Wednesday's Marengo sectional semifinals to face the winner between No. 2 Woodstock North and No. 6 Genoa-Kingston.

No. 2 Burlington Central (24-8)

vs. No. 3 Wheaton Academy (19-8)

Class 3A Wheaton Academy regional final

Game time: 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Outlook: Certainly the cream of the regional's crop. Burlington Central led Sycamore by 31 at one point while Wheaton Academy broke open a close first quarter to ease past Marmion. Playing at the cozy Warrior Dome is a decided edge for the hosts, but Burlington Central and Patrick Mayfield, averaging 27 points, have a 2018 sectional final under their belt. (Wheaton Academy seeks its first regional title since 2011.) Marcus Bull, who hit six 3s against Marmion, leads the Warriors at 16 points a game with a cast including guards Jack Dykema, Gerald Blackmon and Tobi Sonuga who can turn defense to offense. The 6-foot-5 Mayfield is all that, aided ably by guards Jake Lenschow and Braden Seyler.

Next week: Winner advances to Tuesday's Marengo sectional semifinals to face the winner between No. 1 Johnsbury and No. 4 Rockford Lutheran.

— Dave Oberhelman and Kevin Schmit

Scouting DuPage County boys gymnastics

Top local teams: Downers Grove North, Glenbard West, Naperville North, Wheaton Warrenville co-op.

Top gymnastics: Michael Baren (Nequa Valley, so., all-around), Charlie Cripe (York, jr., all-around), Brandon Dao (Glenbard North, jr., all-around), Alexander Demeris (Glenbard West, jr., all-around), Aaron Heppner (Downers Grove North, jr., all-around), Cade Houlinhan (Wheaton co-op, jr., all-around), Michael Hunter Jr. (Naperville North, sr., vault, floor, parallel bars), Eric Loid (Naperville North, sr., all-around), Coley McArdle (Glenbard West, sr., pommel horse), Louis Ranieri (Lake Park, sr., all-around), Matt Wojdka (Addison Trail, so., all-around).

Outlook: Addison Trail has one of the better sophomores in the state in all-around Matt Wojdka, who took sixth on floor at state last May, and will look for continued leadership and contributions from senior and fourth-year gymnast Eric Estrada. Juniors Caleb Michaliska and Jakub Sitko are coming off solid seasons as sophomores and will land bigger roles. "We're looking to develop on our strong base from last year," Blazers coach Mike Galfi said. "The team is definitely headed in the right direction."

Downers Grove North begins life without Lukas Elisha, who took third in the state in the all-around last year and is the reigning high bar champion. The Trojans can expect big all-around scores from junior Aaron Heppner and sophomore Jonah Kopecki but will need to get others to build up their team score. Heppner was 22nd in the all-around last year with a 50.8. Kopecki is coming off qualifying for state in diving in just his first year.

experience as only Mark Panek, Julian Perez and Jeff Maples competed in the Lyons sectional. The team's biggest loss was to lone all-arounder Donte Reed who graduated. Freshman Miguel Figueroa joins the team and will be in a mix of young and less experienced sophomores and juniors.

Fenton welcomes back senior all-arounders Austin Adkins and Omar Lopez. Both have postseason experience from last year's sectional so the Bison will lean heavily on those two as everyone else who competed in that sectional graduated.

Glenbard East returns few gymnasts from last year's squad. The biggest loss for the Rams was Marc Le's departure as he took eighth in the state in the all-around last May. "We have some athletes that did not compete in 2018 but did compete in 2017 as freshmen and now have returned," Rams coach Wayne Hill said. "Most of these athletes are all-arounders that will now specialize in rings, pommel horse and floor exercise."

Glenbard North has about 20 kids in the program as Dennis Wellman takes over as coach. "We've struggled the last few years, but it's my intention to flip the script and start from scratch with these kids and help them enjoy some 'Ws,'" Wellman said. "It's a new coaching perspective and I hope to bring skills to the team and help build a successful program." Junior Brandon Dao is looking great already according to Wellman, while sophomore Dan Ochowicz also has returned and will play a big role.

Glenbard South graduated 10 gymnasts from last year's squad, but all-arounders Mark Johnson and Antonio Carter are back to alleviate some of the growing

season and my assistant coach and I am happy to see what level we can bring these boys up to."

Glenbard West, which was state runner-up last year and in 2016 and state champion in 2017, lost the Rudolph twins and Daniel Eichin to graduation but return junior all-arounder Alexander Demeris, who placed ninth in the state in the all-around and shared the state title in the floor exercise. Specialists Coley McArdle, Len Phung and Aby-Bakr Syed all return. The Hilltoppers have been able to turn inexperienced gymnasts into state qualifiers in the past, and it's one of the reasons why they continue to be successful year after year. Can they do it again?

Hinsdale Central is coming off a strong season, finishing with a 143.25 and taking third place at the Lyons sectional, but the Red Devils lost a handful of gymnasts, including Nolan Holmes and Alex Roca. Seniors Thomas Monson and Nicky Armonda and juniors Herbert Wang and Christian Riordan return for new coach C.J. Johnson, who also has three freshmen to work with this spring. "This will be a year of working hard to get the skills necessary to be competitive within the conference," Johnson said. "We will be a much better team by the end of the season."

Hinsdale South should be able to surpass the 117.45 it finished with last season since several of its gymnasts return, including junior Anthony Anderson, the team's lone all-arounder in last year's sectional. Elijah Lashley, Tyler Jannenga and Henry Mihndou also return with postseason experience from a year ago, while Payton Hultmark and Zachary Lowery will look to contribute as well.

Slavin. Senior Louie Ranieri, a two-time state qualifier on floor, does return. "We have a lot of first-year gymnasts of all ages and two returning varsity gymnasts, so it will take a bit of time to figure out where we stand and what our goals will be as a team," Lancers coach Tim Whelan said.

Naperville Central coach Glen Reimers said, "Rebuilding and hard work will pay off in the end," and by end, it's all over soon for the longtime boys and girls gymnastics coach for the Redhawks, who is retiring after this season. Senior all-arounder Jeremy Venegas, junior specialists Ryan Belanger, Kyle Gunter, Joseph Guzman, Max Janke, David Majka and Darrell Ware and sophomore Tim Froelich all will have an opportunity to compete this spring.

Naperville North should be competitive. "Michael Hunter (two-time state qualifier) and Eric Loid will turn in some strong performances, which should keep us competitive throughout," Huskies coach Chris Stanicek said. Hunter's working three events while Loid will contribute as an all-arounder. Stanicek acknowledged that Mohammad Diaby and Ridge Dart have improved, Gavin Shipp will contribute a solid score on still rings and the crop of freshmen that joined the program have a lot of promise, including Gavin Rump, Garrett Dahn and Ryan Marrow.

Wheaton Warrenville co-op's streak of 10 consecutive team appearances in the state finals is rather impressive but making it 11 straight will be quite challenging since sophomore Nicky Franz, fifth last year in the all-around, is not returning and Joey DiRienzo and Aiden Moran

All-arounders Cade Houlinhan and Rodrigo Ruiz take on bigger roles this spring along with returning specialist Marty Franz. At least six new faces will have a chance to add to the team score.

Willowbrook will never forget last year's finish at state with Adam Sousa winning the all-around title. The Warriors knew he would be gone now, but Isaiah Lewis' departure — moved with his family — is an added hit. Specialists Collin Donaldson, Cooper Ross, Sean Luner and Brendan Bailey return. "It is, of course, a huge loss to our team score losing Adam to graduation, so we will have to figure out ways to make up some of those points on all six events," Willowbrook coach Caleb Strejc said. "We will need specialists to step up and any all-arounders to be extremely consistent."

York may have been overlooked a bit last season as the Dukes had one of the better team seasons in the state but just came up short of getting to the finals with a 148.55 at the Schaumburg sectional. Key scorers from that team were lost to graduation, including all-arounders John Gill and Jake Anderson and standout specialist Kelvin Stevens Jr. Thankfully, junior all-arounder Charlie Cripe and senior specialist Joe Brown return.

Lastly, at least one individual from DuPage County will represent a school that doesn't have a team. Nequa Valley sophomore Michael Baren said he's competing this spring. Baren took seventh in the all-around last year and medaled in two events, taking second on vault and tying for fifth place on pommel horse. "I'm coming back from a shoulder injury so I might be a little

The DuPage County All-Area Girls Basketball Team

Maggie Bair, Glenbard South

A Drake University recruit, Bair has led the Raiders to the Class 3A semifinals for a second consecutive season. The 6-foot-3 senior center averaged a double-double again, with 16.7 points and 13.8 rebounds a game against mostly Class 4A competition. She is an AP first-team Class 3A all-stater.

"I can't say enough about her. Offensively, defensively, I think she's a dominant player on both ends of the floor," coach Morgan Kasperek said. "... She pretty much carried us."



Nikki Baird, Wheaton North

An AP honorable mention all-stater, the 6-foot-2 senior guard will play at Belmont University. She was all-DuKane Conference. Baird averaged 17.2 points a game. "It has been amazing to watch Nikki grow as a player and a leader for our team. She is truly one of the best shooters I've ever seen and has turned into one of the best players in our state. As good of a player she is, fails to compare to the leader she is in our school and our basketball program. Nikki is one of the best to ever walk the halls of Wheaton North," coach Dave Eaton said.



Mira Emma, WW South

The senior was the perfect point guard for the Tigers' system. Emma earned co-player of the year honors in the DuKane Conference. A strong ballhandler who knows how to use her body to shield the ball from defenders, Emma was a big reason the Tigers reached the Class 4A supersectional. She will play soccer at Iowa State. "She is without a doubt the toughest kid I've ever coached. You take somebody who's 5-foot-2, maybe, and she was not only our leading scorer but our leading rebounder — by a lot," coach Rob Kroehnke said.



Ellie Gross, Downers Grove North

The junior point guard led one of the stingiest defenses around while guiding a very efficient offense. She averaged 10.1 points, 4.0 assists, 3.5 rebounds and 2.5 steals a game for a team that won 22 games. Gross was all-West Suburban Silver and all-tournament at Schaumburg and Wheaton North. "Ellie is one of the greatest competitors I've ever had the opportunity to coach, but this season Ellie also became a scorer. We knew she was capable all along, but she finally trusted herself and her ability to score," coach Stephan Bolt said.



Jalyn Harris, Downers Grove North

The 6-foot-3 senior will play at Emporia State. She earned all-West Suburban Silver honors while averaging 8 points, 7 rebounds and 2 blocks a game for a team that won 22 games. "We are very proud of Jalyn's commitment to her teammates, our program and to the process of getting better this season. She has improved a great deal over the last two years and was a huge contributor to our success this year," coach Stephan Bolt said.



Katelyn Heller, Glenbard West

The senior took over at point guard this season and led the Hilltoppers to a 22-win season and West Suburban Silver title. Heller averaged 8.5 points, 4.3 rebounds and 3.9 assists a game. "Katelyn is an exceptional floor general who is athletic, fast and has a tremendous work ethic," coach Kristi Faulkner said. "She was one of our captains this year and is an outstanding competitor who greatly impacted our program the last two years." Heller will play at Illinois Wesleyan.



Kendall Holmes, Benet

The 5-foot-11 junior forward got better as the season went along. She was all-East Suburban Catholic Conference, AP second-team all-state, all-tournament at Montini and MVP at the Benet/Naperville North tourney. She averaged 10.8 points, 3.1 rebounds, 1.1 steals a game and made 81 percent of her free throws. "Kendall became one of our most reliable scorers this year," coach Joe Kilbride said. "... I think Kendall will be very good at the next level because she is a true three-level scorer who can shoot the 3, pull up, or get to the rim and finish with either hand."



Taylor Huff, Glenbard West

The 6-foot-2 junior center helped the Hilltoppers to another 20-win season and a second straight West Suburban Silver title. She averaged 11.9 points and 7.2 rebounds a game. Huff made 81 percent of her free throws and was MVP of the District 87 tournament. "Taylor is a tough

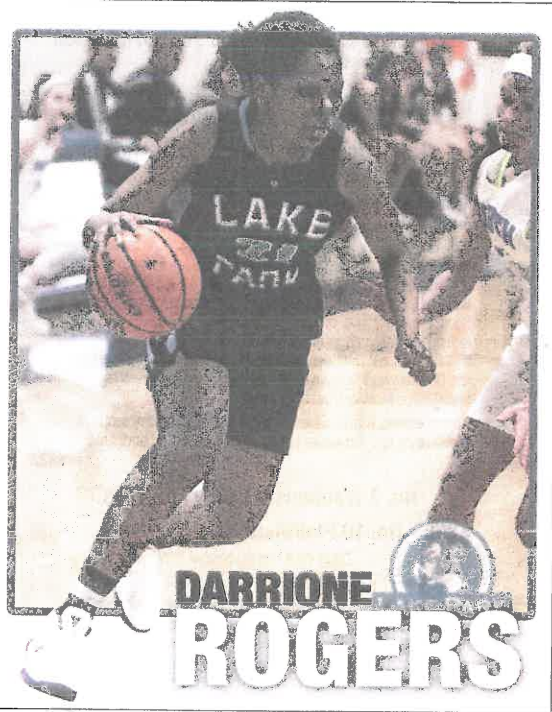


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Rogers' success is no accident

Captain

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It's OK to call Darrione Rogers a gym rat.

"I'm pretty much in the gym a good amount of time," the Lake Park junior says, readily accepting the term. "I get a few days off a week, but other than that, yeah, I'm at the gym."

Early in the morning, late at night, it doesn't matter. The only question is which gym.

"That's ultimately what's gotten her to the spot she's in," says Lake Park girls basketball coach Brian Rupp, who has had an up-close look at Rogers' work ethic the last three years. "It hasn't just started since she got to high school. It started way before she got to high school. She has a passion for it."

You can't understand why Rogers is this year's DuPage County All-Area Girls Basketball Captain without understanding how much time she spends working to improve.

An obvious talent

Darwin Rogers says he first put a basketball in his daughter's hands at age 4. He works with his daughter to this day, focusing mostly on post-up moves.

"He always gives me back feedback or tells me new moves I can put into my game to help me grow as a player," Darrione Rogers says. "My Dad has a lot to do with this, I must say."

He's not the only one of course. In addition to her father, Rogers works with her Lake Park coaches plus private trainers Stan Stewart and Chris Conrad.

"I get a lot of shots up, but when I'm with my trainer, Stan, we do a lot of ballhandling as well," she says. "So it really depends on my trainer. When I'm with my Dad we do a lot of post moves and, like, catch and rips, one-dribble pull-ups, things like that. So it really depends, but I'm pretty much always working on ballhandling

Daily Herald DuPage County Girls Basketball Captains

- 1988-89 — Tammy Kocher, Montini
- 1989-90 — Ann Hoving, Montini
- 1990-91 — Jennie Driscoll, St. Francis
- 1991-92 — Andrea Miller, Willowbrook
- 1992-93 — Kelly Miller, Lake Park
- 1993-94 — Terri Zemaits, Downers Grove South
- 1994-95 — Autumn Braddock and Amy Wardle, Hinsdale Central
- 1995-96 — Casey Leonhardt, Downers Grove North, T.J. Williams, Naperville North
- 1996-97 — Ashley Luke, Waubonsie Valley
- 1997-98 — Ashley Luke, Waubonsie Valley
- 1998-99 — Ashley Luke, Waubonsie Valley
- 1999-2000 — Chariss Ridley, WW South
- 2000-01 — Candace Parker, Naperville Central
- 2001-02 — Candace Parker, Naperville Central
- 2002-03 — Candace Parker, Naperville Central
- 2003-04 — Candace Parker, Naperville Central
- 2004-05 — Kelly Krumwiede, Glenbard West
- 2005-06 — Erica Carter, Naperville Central
- 2006-07 — Kailani Moeaki, WW South
- 2007-08 — Samantha Arnold, Lake Park
- 2008-09 — Toni Kokenis, Hinsdale Central
- 2009-10 — Toni Kokenis, Hinsdale Central
- 2010-11 — Whitney Holloway, Montini
- 2011-12 — Meghan Waldron, WW South
- 2012-13 — Meghan Waldron, WW South
- 2013-14 — Meghan Waldron, WW South
- 2014-15 — Kathleen Doyle, Benet
- 2015-16 — Kathleen Doyle, Benet
- 2016-17 — Kaylee Bambule, Montini
- 2017-18 — Aaliyah Patty, Montini
- 2018-19 — Darrione Rogers, Lake Park

Holly Lueken, Downers Grove South

The only thing that could stop the senior forward was a severe ankle injury that forced Lueken to miss the final couple of weeks of the season. She will play at Colgate. She was all-West Suburban Gold, and all-tournament at both York and Oswego East. "Holly is a 6-foot-1 athlete that can bring it on both sides of the court. She averaged 3 blocks a game on the defensive end and scored 21 points a game for us offensively. She is a great leader as well," coach Lyndsie Long said.



Zoe MacKay Zacker, Montini

The senior guard rebounded from three ACL injuries that cost her most of her first three seasons. "I was very, very pleased that she got to fulfill playing a full high school season," coach Jason Nichols said. She was all-GCAC Red and all-tournament at Harvest Christian, Marian Catholic and Montini's Christmas tournament. She led the Broncos to 30 wins and a sectional final appearance. She had 81 assists and 91 steals while averaging 8.4 points a game. She also made 38 percent of her 3-point shots.



Katelyn McCann, Willowbrook

Lost for the season to a knee injury Jan. 10, the senior guard nevertheless was a key reason the Warriors won 20 games after winning just 4 last year. An all-West Suburban Conference and All-Academic WSC player, McCann is a two-time team MVP and team captain. "Katelyn was not only the leading scorer but she was our emotional leader on and off the court," coach Terry Harrell said. "She had the ability and willingness to make the big play at the big time."



Gabi Melby, Naperville Central

Despite missing the first eight games of the season due to a wrist injury, the sophomore point guard had an instant impact. She was all-DuPage Valley Conference. Melby averaged 16.2 points, 5.0 assists and 2.2 steals a game. "Gabi is our leader," coach Andy Nussbaum said, "and you could see that coming last year. And she is a competitor. She wants to win. She is a hard-worker. She's talented."



Kennedi Perkins, Hinsdale South

The 5-foot-5 freshman quickly announced herself as one of the best players in DuPage County. A quick and determined athlete, she led the Hornets by averaging 18.7 points a game, 7.3 rebounds, 3.1 assists and 2.3 steals. Perkins scored 21 points against Benet in a regional semifinal. She was all-West Suburban Gold. "In my opinion, and I'm obviously biased, but she has to be the best freshman in the state, if not the best point guard in the state, period," coach Scott Tanaka said.



Clara Prasse, Benet

The senior point guard led the Redwings to this weekend's Class 4A semifinals. Prasse made 42 percent of 3-pointers, averaging 6.3 points, 4.7 assists, 2.6 rebounds and 1.3 steals a game. She is nearing Kathleen Doyle's school all-time assist record. "Clara is our coach on the floor," coach Joe Kilbride said. "She does a great job of finding her teammates in scoring positions and is unselfish to a fault, but her most important attributes are her attitude and intelligence."



Darrione Rogers, Lake Park

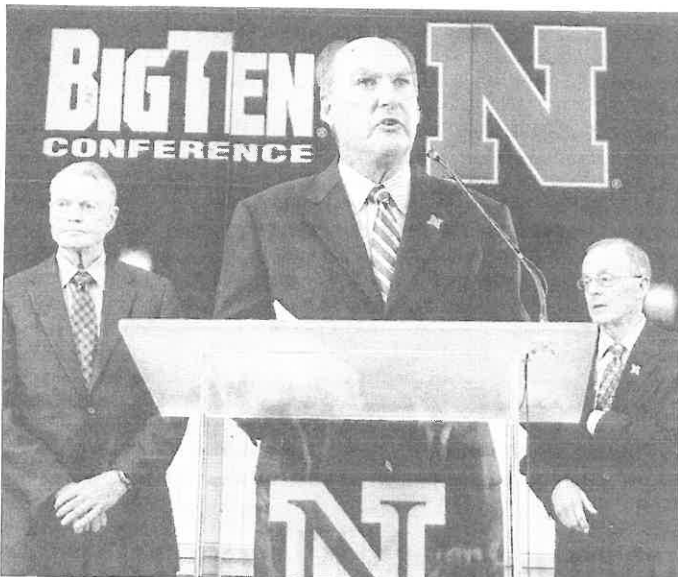
The All-Area team captain, Rogers scored 40 points or more four times, leading DuPage County in scoring by 7.5 points a game with a 26.7 average despite often seeing double- and triple-teams when she got the basketball. Rogers also added 10.0 rebounds a game. The 5-foot-11 junior guard/forward is committed to play at DePaul. Rogers was the DuKane Conference co-player of the year and AP first-team all-state.



Brooke Schramek, Benet

A 6-foot-1 junior forward committed to Wisconsin, Schramek was all-East Suburban Catholic Conference and an AP honorable mention all-stater. She is averaging 10.0 points, 3.5 rebounds and 1.0 blocks a game entering the Class 4A semifinals. "Brooke is a mismatch for everyone we play," coach Joe Kilbride said. "She can post up or make 3s, she attacks the offensive glass and is





Big Ten commissioner Jim Delany speaks on June 11, 2010, about Nebraska leaving the Big 12 to join the Big Ten during a news conference in Lincoln, Neb., with Nebraska's athletic director Tom Osborne, left, and Nebraska Chancellor Harvey Perlman, right. Delany, one of the most influential figures in college athletics for three decades, has been commissioner of the Big Ten since 1989.

Delaney: Big Ten Commissioner opts to step down at end of June in 2020

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commissioner Mark Rudner, Big Ten deputy commissioner Diane Dietz, and Northwestern athletic director Jim Phillips.

"(Delany) has been a forward-thinking, collaborative and decisive leader in every aspect of conference proceedings," Schapiro said. "We thank him for his dedicated service to date and look forward to working with him through the conclusion of his contract."

Delany said he would be "judicious" when it comes to weighing on issues that will have long-term implications for the Big Ten, which now stretches from Nebraska to New Jersey.

Delany helped create the five-year-old, four-team play-off, but for years he and the Big Ten acted as a speed bump along the path to changing the sport's post-season. Always protective of the Big Ten's lucrative and long-standing partnership with the Rose Bowl, the Big Ten was slower than the other major conferences to embrace changing the way a champion was crowned in college football — whether it was the BCS or the CFP.

Delany became the Big Ten's fifth commissioner when he succeeded Wayne Duke in 1989. He ambitiously built the conference profile, negotiating television deals worth billions that in 2018 produced an unprecedented distribution of \$51 million alone for Michigan, one of the flagship members. While the Big Ten has never

been more profitable, it has lagged behind some of its rival conferences in producing national champions in the most high-profile sports this century.

A Big Ten team has not won the NCAA men's basketball tournament since Michigan State in 2000. Ohio State's 2002 and 2014 national championships have been the Big Ten's only football titles since 2000. The Southeastern Conference has 11 football championships in that time.

High-profile scandals in recent years involving athletic departments at Big Ten schools such as Penn State, Michigan State and Ohio State have called into question the conference's role in policing and disciplining its members.

But under Delany, the Big Ten also has had stability even during uncertain times across college sports.

"I feel really good about the collaborative culture that we've created among competitors inside of our conference, which has allowed us to assess the opportunities and risks and execute against them," Delany said.

"I think that sort of culture is one of the things that I'm sort of proudest of. I think we've gotten better at it. And it's not to say we don't make mistakes. It's not to say we're right on every count, but I like where we're located in our media world, in our bowl world and in our NCAA world."

When Delany launched the Big Ten Network in partnership with Fox in 2006, the Big Ten became the first Power Five conference with

a television network devoted solely to programming of league events. The network was the first in cable/satellite history to reach 30 million households within its first 30 days on the air.

Delany expanded the Big Ten's geographic footprint from the upper Midwest to the East Coast. Penn State began competition in the league in 1991. Nebraska joined in 2011 and Maryland and Rutgers in 2014.

The addition of Nebraska led the Big Ten to split into divisions in football and play a conference championship game. The additions of Maryland and Rutgers led the Big Ten to open a second conference office in New York to go with its traditional Midwest home in the Chicago area.

While conference expansion has been a boon for the Big Ten financially, it has taken a toll on some aspects of college sports as a whole.

Some conferences have crumbled, others have been marginalized, and traditional rivalries have been frayed. The integration of Rutgers and Maryland since they joined in 2014 has been bumpy as both schools have had on- and off-the-field issues, though Delany said he believes both are "still great long-term plays."

During a time of sweeping change in college sports, the Big Ten under Delany has been at the forefront.

"I felt a particular primary advocacy for our conference," Delany said, "but was always aware of the impact on others."

Boys basketball conference standings

Chicago Catholic League White

School	All	Conf.	GB
St Rita*	W-L	W-L	
St Rita*	24-9	13-2	—
Providence-St. Mel+	27-6	12-3	1
Leahy	24-8	10-5	3
Mc Carmel	23-8	10-5	3
Montini	12-20	4-11	9
Providence	12-20	4-11	9
Marmion	9-22	2-13	11
St. Francis deSales	4-23	0-15	13

DuKane

School	All	Conf.	GB
Geneva*	W-L	W-L	
Geneva*	30-1	13-1	—
Wheaton North	18-13	9-5	4
Lake Park*	23-10	8-6	5
Wheaton Warrenville South	20-12	8-6	5
St. Charles East	18-14	8-6	5
St. Charles North*	14-17	5-9	8
Batavia	12-19	4-10	9
Glenside North	3-22	1-13	12

DuPage Valley

School	All	Conf.	GB
Naperville North*	W-L	W-L	
Naperville North*	18-12	7-1	—
Waubonsie Valley*	27-4	5-3	2
Rescue Valley	14-16	3-6	4
Naperville Central	10-17	3-6	4
Metz Valley	12-17	2-6	5

East Suburban Catholic

School	All	Conf.	GB
Marian Catholic*	W-L	W-L	
Marian Catholic*	27-4	8-1	—
St. Viator*	25-6	7-2	1
Benet	21-10	8-2	1
Carmel	22-11	6-3	2
Notre Dame	19-12	5-3	2
St. Francis	20-10	5-4	2
Marist	16-15	3-6	5
Nazareth	8-20	2-7	7
Joliet Catholic	6-25	1-8	7
Morton Central	2-29	0-9	8

Interstate Eight

School	All	Conf.	GB
Deer Creek*	W-L	W-L	
Deer Creek*	21-10	8-2	—
Westmont*	25-7	7-1	1
Liste	13-14	7-3	2
Stratton	11-16	6-4	3
Pleasant	17-14	6-6	4
Reed-Custer	13-16	5-6	4
Montino	14-13	3-7	6
Peabody	14-14	6-6	6
Hesscher	8-20	2-8	7
Wilmington	1-24	0-10	9

Metro Suburban Blue

School	All	Conf.	GB
Riverside-Brick*	W-L	W-L	
Riverside-Brick*	28-4	11-1	—
Aurora Christian	25-8	9-3	2
Chicago Christian	22-7	7-3	2
Bishop McNamara	14-18	4-8	7
St. Ignace Prep	11-16	4-6	7
St. Francis	10-22	4-8	7
Aurora Central	5-22	2-10	9

Metro Suburban Red

School	All	Conf.	GB
Wheaton Acad.*	W-L	W-L	
Wheaton Acad.*	19-9	10-2	—
Timothy Christian*	20-11	9-3	1
Highland*	15-12	9-5	2
Elmhurst Park	14-14	8-6	4
St. Edward	14-16	4-8	6
Kenon	11-20	4-8	6
Guerin	3-25	0-12	10

Upstate Eight

School	All	Conf.	GB
West Aurora*	W-L	W-L	
West Aurora*	28-5	17-1	—
South Elgin	24-9	16-3	1
Glenside South*	23-6	14-4	2
Glenside East	14-17	8-10	3
Larkspur	12-19	9-9	8
Shrewsbury	13-19	8-10	9
East Aurora	11-22	8-10	9
Bartlett	9-22	5-13	12
Wain	6-21	3-15	14
West Chicago	8-22	2-16	15

West Suburban Gold

School	All	Conf.	GB
Downers South*	W-L	W-L	
Downers South*	23-8	10-2	—
Willowbrook	22-9	10-2	1
York	17-14	7-5	2
Lyons*	14-17	6-9	3
Morton	16-16	8-8	6
Hinsdale South	14-16	4-8	6
Addicks Trail	14-16	1-11	11

West Suburban Silver

School	All	Conf.	GB
Oak Park-RP*	W-L	W-L	
Oak Park-RP*	18-10	11-1	—
York	28-4	10-2	1
Lyons*	22-9	10-2	1
Downers North*	22-11	5-7	6
Glenside West	20-10	5-7	6
Hinsdale Central	10-20	4-8	7
Proviso West	4-21	0-12	11

Standings through Monday.

* — denotes conference champion
 * — denotes regional champion
 * — denotes sectional champion

Notice

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Boys basketball

East Suburban Catholic Conference

ALL CONFERENCE
 Benet — Cain Brothers (Lr), Kendrick Tobias (Sr), Carmel Catholic — Jonathan Rosser (Sr), Kimari Wilson (Sr), Marian Catholic — Joe Green (Lr), Aaron Uls (Lr), Chris White (Sr), Marist — Nick Hill (Sr), Nazareth — Tegan Pearson (Lr), Notre Dame — Troy D'Amico (Sr), Anthony Sayles (Sr), St. Patrick — Justin Freeman (Sr), Dominic Goble (Lr), St. Viator — Trevor Calvine (Sr), Jeremiah Hernandez (Sr), Connor Kechera (Lr), Player of the year — Jeremiah Hernandez (St. Viator), Coach of the year — Aaron Uls (Marian), Coach of the year — Mike Taylor (Marian).

Upcoming events



Downers Grove North's Eddie Boston and his teammates take on Lake Park on Wednesday.

Scouting DuPage County's boys basketball sectional semifinals

No. 5 Downers Grove North (22-11)

vs. No. 7 Lake Park (23-10)

Class 4A Bartlett sectional semifinal

Game time: 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Road to the sectional: Downers Grove North beat No. 10 Willowbrook 60-46 and beat No. 3 Downers Grove South 65-42 to win the Downers Grove South regional. Lake Park beat No. 12 DeKalb 49-47 and beat No. 2 Benet 58-55 to win the DeKalb regional.

Outlook: Now that both teams had the weekend to recover from emotional regional final victories, we'll see what they've got left. Downers North, playing with a heavy heart following the recent death of Trojans volleyball player Beth Dunlap, hammered Downers South to claim the program's first regional title since 2002. The backcourt duo of Sema'j Henderson and Trey Boston combined for 36 points. That'll be the focal point of Lake Park's defense. The Lancers' offense enjoyed 11 3-pointers in their grueling overtime win over Benet. A similar effort would make it tough on the Trojans, who need to defend all corners of the court with Lake Park juniors Luke Sgarbossa, Trevor Montiel and Montrell Perry.

Advancement: Winner advances to Friday's Bartlett sectional final to face the winner between No. 1 Geneva and No. 4 Lyons Twp.

No. 2 Waubonsie Valley (27-4)

vs. No. 3 Oswego East (23-7)

Class 4A East Aurora sectional semifinal

Game time: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Road to the sectional: Waubonsie Valley beat No. 15 Lincoln-Way East 59-44 and No. 10 Plainfield North 61-47 to win the Andrew regional. Oswego East beat No. 14 Nequa Valley 61-60 and No. 11 Lemont 67-59 to win the Joliet West regional.

Outlook: Waubonsie Valley enters upbeat off its first regional title since 2008 and a 67-61 win over Oswego East on Feb. 9. Warriors guard Eric Cannon got hot from 3-point range in that one, joining 6-foot-5 Marcus Skeete with 19 points while 6-4 Nikhil Khanna added 14. Entering with a chip on its shoulder is Oswego East and Boise State-bound guard Ray J Dennis, averaging 23.5 points and blossoming since transferring from Montini as a junior. The Wolves bring more than that, point guard Demari Grant pushing the pace and 6-7 Sam Schultz and 6-6 Kamron Battar cleaning the boards. Six-five Caymen Woods heads a gritty defense for Waubonsie, which will embrace an underdog status despite its seed.

Advancement: Winner advances to Friday's East Aurora sectional final to face the winner between No. 1 Bolingbrook and No. 4 West Aurora.

No. 2 Whitney Young (24-7)

vs. No. 3 York (29-4)

Class 4A Proviso West sectional semifinal

Game time: 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Road to the sectional: Whitney Young beat No. 15 Jones 78-54 and No. 10 Lane 58-49 to win the Whitney Young regional. York beat No. 14 Prosser 66-38 and No. 6 Oak Park 74-56 to win the York regional.

Outlook: Now it really gets tough for York, which overcame two regular-season losses to Oak Park to claim the regional title. Young struggled to survive its regional final while rallying from an 8-point second-half deficit. The Dolphins boast an elite player in Fenwick defender D.J. Steward, who knocked down huge free throws down the stretch to beat Lane. How can York, which has set the program record for wins in a season, stage an upset? The Dukes hit 20 3-pointers in their two regional wins. If Nick Kosich, Erik Cohn and others keep shooting like that — and if 6-foot-5 Sam Walsh continues to dazzle in the post — the Dukes have a shot. But only if their ball-practice defense gives Young trouble.

Advancement: Winner advances to Friday's Proviso West sectional final to face the winner between No. 1 Curie and No. 5 River-

Rozner: Must USGA continue to ruin golf?

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charge of clown cars and donkey rides; Mike Davis, thinks it's been wonderful for golf worldwide.

"You can just add that one," Thomas said, "to the list of rules that don't make any sense."

Rickie Fowler, playing alongside, watched it happen

"This is not what the integrity of the game is about."

Admitted R & A chief Martin Slumbers, "I think it's fair to say that it hasn't gone as smoothly as I would have

DuPage County Leadership Team Honorable Mentions

Sarah Abraham

Lake Park High School
Hometown: Bloomingdale
Class: Senior
Parents: Prakash Abraham, Jisha Abraham

Sponsor: Elizabeth Bazukas, counselor
Community service: The Limited, clothing drive during Christmastime and a charity fashion show around prom; Illinois YMCA Youth and Government; National Honor Society, organize volunteering for the chapter's members; Peer Juror; volunteering through church



Sarah Abraham, Lake Park High School



Austin Adkins, Fenton High School



Rafia Afzal, Glenbard South High School



Safiyah Azeez, Islamic Foundation School



Jyotsna Balmuri, Metea Valley High School



Drew Bolisay, Montini Catholic High School



Kiran Daniel, Wheaton North High School



Demi Dumovich, Glenbard North



Alexa Fasone, Lisle High School



Melissa Florey, Willowbrook High School

Austin Adkins

Fenton High School
Hometown: Wood Dale
Class: Senior
Parents: Annette Marie Adkins and Brian Robert Adkins Jr.

Sponsor: Nancy Connor, counselor
Community service: Bandits Football/Cheer, coach; Tourette's Camp USA, camp counselor; Scare Walk, acting; Senior Citizen Matinee, caretaker; 8th Grade Orientation



Matthew Foley, Willowbrook High School



Alex Frazer, Glenbard West High School



Bridgette Garmache, Wheaton Warrenville S.



Mitchell Glennon, Glenbard East High School



Trevor Haen, Lisle High School



Asja Hamzic, Glenbard East High School



Danielle N. Harris, Addison Trail High School



Chloe Lynn Hawkins, St. Francis High School



Colin Iverson, Naperville North High School



Ryan Kenneally, IC Catholic Prep

Rafia Afzal

Glenbard South High School
Hometown: Glen Ellyn
Class: Senior
Parents: Waseem Afzal and Neelma Siddiqi

Community service: Muslim Women's Alliance, creating dinners for those in need; National Honor Society, PADS helping the homeless; Feed My Starving Children, packing meals for children in need; Masjid Uthman, handing out food during Ramadan to those in need



Shruti Koli, Waubonsie Valley High School



Michelle Kwon, Glenbard South



Jeromel Lara, Glenbard North High School



Suzie Maloney, IC Catholic Prep



Kathleen Nie, Naperville North High School



Shivani Patel, Fenton High School



Reeya Patolawala, Hinsdale Central



Akshaya P. Raghavan, IMSA



Yuvia Serna, Glenbard West High School



Luis Silva, Addison Trail High School

Safiyah Azeez

Islamic Foundation School



Caroline Thoms, St. Francis High School



Marissa VanDeVeer, Montini Catholic



Madeleine Whirlledge, Naperville Central

Hospital, teen volunteer; Sack Lunch Sunday, gathered each Sunday morning to create and distribute about 200 sack lunches to the homeless in Chicago; Outreach House, helped sort and distribute clothing and neonatal supplies to low-income families; Heart to Heart Project, spear-headed project alongside other student council officers to create

sold cupcakes to raise money to buy school supplies for students at Puente del Pueblo; National Honor Society, chapter project raised money for the Kelton Immunity Fund; Community

Asja Hamzic

Glenbard East High School
Hometown: Lombard
Class: Senior
Parents: Emina and Omer Hamzic

Sponsor: Janet Reece, Spanish teacher
Community service: Ann's Closet, in-school clothing drive; Chicago Top Soccer, special-needs soccer program; annual Fox Valley Christian Association charity event, volunteering at a charity golf outing

Danielle N. Harris

Community service: Young Hearts for Life Junior Board, helped to raise money for Young Hearts for Life by putting on a 5K race; Peer Jury member; toy drive for National Honor Society; fundraiser for Easter Seals DuPage and Fox Valley; Misericordia Jelly Belly Candy Day

Shruti Koli
Waubonsie Valley High School
Hometown: Naperville
Class: Senior
Parents: Manjeera Kakarla, Srinivas Koli
Sponsor: Karen Kuhlman

Kathleen Nie

Naperville North High School
Hometown: Naperville
Class: Senior
Parents: Xiaosong Nie, Xiaozhong Nie

Sponsor: Heather Schild, badminton coach
Community service: Artra, co-founder of a free art program for underprivileged children; Swifty Foundation, community yard sale; Illinois DECA, statewide raffle and cookie-decorating contest; WCAC Church Choir, piano accompanist for church choir; DuPage Children's Museum, play

DuPage County Leadership Team Honorable Mentions

Glenbard South High School

Hometown: Glen Ellyn

Class: Senior

Parents: Waseem Afzal and Neelma Siddiqi

Community service: Muslim Women's Alliance, creating dinners for those in need; National Honor Society, PADS helping the homeless; Feed My Starving Children, packing meals for children in need; Masjid Uthman, handing out food during Ramadan to those in need

Safiyah Azeez

Islamic Foundation School

Hometown: Burr Ridge

Class: Senior

Parents: Nomaan Azeez and Keysha Azeez

Sponsor: Sarah Shams

Community service: Elmhurst Memorial Hospital volunteer; DuPage PADS Homeless Shelter volunteer; Lombard Immediate Care Clinic volunteer; Helping Hand Refugee Relief volunteer; Interfaith Dinner volunteer

Jyotsna Baimuri

Metea Valley High School

Hometown: Aurora

Class: Senior

Parents: Balmuri Rao and Anita Rao

Sponsor: Donald Pankuch, department chair social studies and MVStudentGo adviser

Community service: Do More Metea Valley, helped organize annual hunger drive, MLK Day of Service, helped watch children as their parents shopped at O'Donnell Elementary Holiday Gift Mart, interacted with community members while watching children during a back-to-school fair; Principal Advisory Board, helped promote and staffed a community barbecue hosted at the high school

Drew Bolisay

Montini Catholic High School

Hometown: Westmont

Class: Senior

Parents: Arnold and Danielle Bolisay

Sponsor: Hilda Castor, Spanish teacher

Community service: Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital, volunteering at the main information desk; St. Mary of Gostyn PADS volunteer; Freshman Step-Up Day/Quest; Bobak's Signature Events, setting up a fundraiser for the school; Feed My Starving Children, working in a team to prepare meals that are shipped to third-world countries

Kiran Daniel

Wheaton North High School

Hometown: Winfield

Class: Senior

Parents: John and Usha Daniel

Sponsor: Erin Angelo; counselor

Community service: Puente del Pueblo, tutored elementary students from low-income families who do not speak English as their first language; Kiran's Cupcakes,



Caroline Thoms,
St. Francis
High School



Marissa VanDeVeer,
Montini
Catholic



Madeleine Whirlledge,
Naperville
Central

sold cupcakes to raise money to buy school supplies for students at Puente del Pueblo; National Honor Society, chapter project raised money for the Kelton Immunity Fund; Community School of the Arts at Wheaton College, performed for residents at a nursing home

Demi Dumovich

Glenbard North High School

Hometown: Hanover Park

Class: Senior

Parents: Andrew Dumovich

Sponsor: Kim Munro, counselor

Community service: Theatre Honor Society, head officer; St. Walter Bible Camp, crew leader/organizer of the program; Civics Club, organized protest of gun violence; volunteered for political campaigns; School Board Student Liaison

Alexa Fasone

Lisle High School

Hometown: Lisle

Class: Senior

Parents: Sheryl and Peter Fasone
Sponsor: Michelle Wallenberg, social studies instructor

Community service: National Honor Society, helps organize fundraisers and volunteering events for the members and community; KEY Club, organizes events such as sock drives for homeless veterans and gift donations for Chicago Public School students; Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital, volunteer at the front desk; Lurie Children's Hospital volunteer; Special Olympics volunteer

Melissa Florey

Willowbrook High School

Hometown: Lombard

Class: Senior

Parents: Ken and Kristi Florey

Sponsor: Cindy Zamora-Failla, school counselor

Community service: Camp R.O.C.K., counselor for junior high youth at a Christian summer camp; Elmhurst Memorial Hospital, comfort-cart volunteer; New Beginnings, board member and mentor for Willowbrook freshmen; Student Ambassadors, welcomes transfer students; Special Olympics student coach

Matthew Foley

Willowbrook High School

Hometown: Villa Park

Class: Senior

Parents: Kristie and John Foley

Sponsor: Cindy Zamora-Failla, school counselor

Community service: Elmhurst

Hospital, teen volunteer; Sack Lunch Sunday, gathered each Sunday morning to create and distribute about 200 sack lunches to the homeless in Chicago; Outreach House, helped sort and distribute clothing and neonatal supplies to low-income families; Heart to Heart Project, spear-headed project alongside other student council officers to create Valentine's Day cards for a local children's hospital; EISUS Fun Fest, volunteer with Key Club

Alex Frazer

Glenbard West High School

Hometown: Glen Ellyn

Class: Senior

Parents: William and Jennifer Frazer

Sponsor: Michael R. Neberz, school counselor

Community service: Glen Ellyn Children's Resource Center Junior Board; First Congregational Church of Glen Ellyn Work Camp, service trip youth leader; National Honor Society; Senior Mentor; Student Council drives

Bridgette Garnache

Wheaton Warrenville South High School

Hometown: Wheaton

Class: Senior

Parents: Dave and Julie Garnache

Sponsor: Jeffrey Pawlak, guidance counselor

Community service: Wellspring Alliance Church, small group leader; Tiger Crew, planning parties and events for special-needs students; STEM outreach event/Women in STEM Club; Speech team, served as a mentor for novice students on the team; National Honor Society

Mitchell Glennon

Glenbard East High School

Hometown: Lombard

Class: Senior

Parents: Tim and Denise Glennon

Sponsor: Frank Nebbia, baseball coach

Community service: Cancer Care Caddies, volunteer; Good Samaritan NICU Picnic, volunteer; Special Olympics, volunteer; Baseball Camp Advisor

Trevor Haen

Lisle High School

Hometown: Lisle

Class: Senior

Parents: Stan and Heidi Haen

Sponsor: Karin Irvine

Community service: Peer tutoring; Student Ambassadors, help students (especially freshman and transfer students) adapt to high school life; Ecology Club, participated in different activities to help the school and community become more environmentally friendly; National Honor Society; Lisle Eyes to the Skies volunteer

Asja Hamzic

Glenbard East High School

Hometown: Lombard

Class: Senior

Parents: Emina and Omer Hamzic

Sponsor: Janet Reece, Spanish teacher

Community service: Ann's Closet, in-school clothing drive; Chicago Top Soccer, special-needs soccer program; annual Fox Valley Christian Association charity event, volunteering at a charity golf outing

Danielle N. Harris

Addison Trail High School

Hometown: Chicago

Class: Senior

Parents: Jennifer McKinney and Dametrius Harris

Sponsor: Amy Ferraro, English Department chair

Community service: Key Club, raised money for animal shelters; Kiwanis Key Club International, raised money for charities and Kiwanis; Knights of Columbus, raised money for people with disabilities; Ronald McDonald's Children's Hospital, prepared and cooked food; Feed My Starving Children, packed food for families in need around the world

Chloe Lynn Hawkins

St. Francis High School

Hometown: Naperville

Class: Senior

Parents: Kate Hawkins

Sponsor: Bridget Buckley, counseling department chair

Community service: Mission trip to help Franciscan sisters in Chicago prepare for vacation Bible school; Pre-K through first-grade religious education leader; Young Rembrandts, art teacher; St. Patrick's Nursing Home volunteer; St. Thomas The Apostle Church, chosen to perform scripture readings for Sunday liturgies

Colin Iverson

Naperville North High School

Hometown: Naperville

Class: Senior

Parents: Dan and Laura Iverson

Sponsor: Jim Konrad, dean of students

Community service: DuPage Valley Special Athletes, serve as a teammate and mentor for high school/college athletes who have a variety of special needs while playing soccer; J. Kyle Braid Leadership Foundation, helped organize charitable activities; Adapted PE Leader, worked with students with disabilities during their P.E. class; Adapted Art Leader; Chicago Fire Unified Soccer

Ryan Kenneally

IC Catholic Prep

Hometown: Elmhurst

Class: Senior

Parents: Jim and Maureen Kenneally

Sponsor: Jean Field

Community service:

Young Hearts for Life Junior Board, helped to raise money for Young Hearts for Life by putting on a 5K race; Peer Jury member; toy drive for National Honor Society; fundraiser for Easter Seals DuPage and Fox Valley; Misericordia Jelly Belly Candy Day

Shruti Koll

Waubonsie Valley High School

Hometown: Naperville

Class: Senior

Parents: Manjeera Kakarla, Srinivas Koll

Sponsor: Karen Kuhlman

Community service: Naperville Public Library, led "Save Our Seas" project as creative designs specialist for the Teen Advisory Group, student representative to library board; Spanish Honor Society, organized and led the Pulsera Project to support Nicaraguan artisans; Edward Hospital, student volunteer; Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, barista for the Cornerstone Café nonprofit ministry; Dr. Rubin's Mini Medical School, teaching assistant

Michelle Kwon

Glenbard South High School

Hometown: Glen Ellyn

Class: Senior

Parents: Yihyun Kwon and Eunsook Kwon

Sponsor: Timothy McGrath

Community service: Terra Nueva medical foundation (in Ecuador), clinic/hospital volunteer; Good Samaritan Hospital, junior advocate volunteer; Fortissimo, volunteering music and performance within community; National Honor Society; Itasca Korean Language School volunteer teacher

Jerome Lara

Glenbard North High School

Hometown: Bloomingdale

Class: Senior

Parents: Miriam Lara

Sponsor: John Mensik, Principal

Community service: The North Current school newspaper, archiving work and journalistic work; Civics Club, promoting civic awareness and engagement within the student body; Student Leader in Training Program; The Write Place, writing tutor

Susan Maloney

IC Catholic Prep

Hometown: Elmhurst

Class: Senior

Parents: John and Susan Maloney

Sponsor: Donald Moore, teacher and campus minister

Community service: Access Sports, volunteer and vice president of Access Sports Youth Board; TLC Camp counselor; Relay For Life, team captain; Habitat for Humanity mission trip to Kentucky; Elmhurst Hospital Inaugural Junior Board, fundraising for the hospital

Kathleen Nie

Naperville North High School

Hometown: Naperville

Class: Senior

Parents: Xiaosong Nie, Xiaozhong Nie

Sponsor: Heather Schild, badminton coach

Community service: Artra, co-founder of a free art program for underprivileged children; Swifty Foundation, community yard sale; Illinois DECA, statewide raffle and cookie-decorating contest; WCAC Church Choir, piano accompanist for church choir; DuPage Children's Museum, play assistant

Shivani Patel

Fenton High School

Hometown: Bensenville

Class: Senior

Sponsor: Paul Welsh, counselor

Community service: Alexian Brothers Medical Center, volunteering; St. Alexius Medical Center, volunteering; Blackhawk Middle School Project CARE, volunteering tutoring students; Feed My Starving Children

Reeya Patolawala

Hinsdale Central School

Hometown: Hinsdale

Class: Senior

Parents: Anu Patolawala and Monish Patolawala

Sponsor: Michael Litton, guidance counselor

Community service: Mid-America Service Dogs Foundation; Andhakshi Ashram, backpack drive; Partners for Achievement, 1,001 Backpacks for Haiti and Home; Hinsdale Public Library, volunteer tutoring; Let's Help Out, community service

Akshaya P. Raghavan

Illinois Math and Science Academy

Fox Valley Leadership Team member

Hometown: Naperville

Class: Senior

Parents: Santha and Sreenivasan Raghavan

Sponsor: David McGovern

Community service: Learning and Developmental Disabilities Matter Founder, Gigi's Playhouse volunteer, Student Board president

Yuvia Serna

Glenbard West High School

Hometown: Carol Stream

Class: Senior

Parents: Esteban and Soledad Serna

Sponsor: Christopher Mitchell, assistant principal of student services

Community service: Wheaton Rice Pool and Water Park, junior lifeguard training/swim lessons; Glen Ellyn Resource Center (Churchill Elementary), tutoring; Glenbard West Write Place, editing and tutoring students; Spanish Honor Society (Glenbard

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DuPage County Leadership Team Honorable Mentions

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West High School), Spanish interpreter; National/Spanish Honor Society, tutoring

Luis A. Silva

Addison Trail High School

Hometown: Addison

Class: Senior

Parents: Jose and Maria Silva

Sponsor: Juliann Boudouris, Department Chair of CTE

Community service: Kiwanis Peanut; Salvation Army bell ringing; Ardmore Elementary volunteer; Top Soccer; Addison Food Pantry

Caroline Thoms

St. Francis High School

Hometown: Wayne

Class: Senior

Parents: Ann and Chris Thoms

Sponsor: Adam Lindley, counselor

Community service: Play It Forward Tennis, created tennis program to help mentor children of Marian Park Apartments (Mercy Housing); after-school tutoring program for Marian Park Apartments; Students Against Destructive Decisions Club; mission trip to the Dominican Republic; DuPage PADS, through St. Thomas United Methodist

Church in Glen Ellyn

Marissa VanDeVeer

Montini Catholic High School

Hometown: Downers Grove

Class: Senior

Parents: Paul and Alicia VanDeVeer

Sponsor: Denis Block; theology teacher, Lasallian Youth and Habitat for Humanity moderator

Community service: Kairos retreat leader and student director; Jamaica service project through International Samaritan; Habitat for Humanity; Pro-Life Club, organized trip to the March for Life in Washington D.C.; Peer Ministry

Madeleine Whirledge

Naperville Central High School

Hometown: Naperville

Class: Senior

Parents: Marc and Marie Whirledge

Sponsor: Bill Wiesbrook, principal

Community service: The Merry Tutor, president of high school's chapter; West Suburban Food Pantry, serve local clients facing food security concerns by helping them get weekly groceries; Adapted PE, act as a peer leader helping the students; Little Arrows, camp to encourage and young students to pursue dance

Our 2018-19 Leadership Team judges

It's a big job to study all of the Leadership Team applications and pick the winners. The educators who serve as our judges give of their time freely. We at the Daily Herald are very appreciative.

• **Jeff Bialeschki** has been a school counselor at St. Charles East High School since 2005. He has a master's degree in counseling and human services, and while at St. Charles East he has advised the Peer Leadership Program, the Studio Theater Program, the student council and the Musical Theater Program.

• **Bridget Buckley**, director of counseling at St. Francis High School in Wheaton, has a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology and a master's in school counseling. She coordinated the Youth Employment and Training Program and was an Adjunct Instructor at Kishwaukee College, and became the director of counseling Aurora Central Catholic High School before joining St. Francis in 2018.

• **Lisa Horcher**, the Community Connections Coordinator



Jeff Bialeschki



Bridget Buckley



Lisa Horcher



Dan Klett



John Novak



Monica Novak



Dan Thorpe



Norma Vega-Rodriguez

for Barrington High School, connects high school students to volunteer opportunities in the Barrington area. She has been at BHS for nine years. She graduated from the University of Illinois with a degree in geography.

• **Dan Klett** is the principal of Wauconda High School, was formerly the assistant principal at Wauconda and the dean of students at Woodstock High School. He has a bachelor's

degree in biology and a graduate degree in educational administration. Klett was president of the ISA board of directors from 2012-16.

• **John Novak** is the assistant principal for student activities at John Hersey High School, where he has worked for more than 30 years. He oversees the school variety show, honors assemblies, the annual alumni basketball tournament and fundraisers. He was named a

2018 Hearts of Gold recipient by the village of Arlington Heights. Novak has taught all levels of math, coached four sports and ran the IHSA state tennis finals.

• **Monica Novak** is the college and career coordinator at Naperville North High School, where she has worked for 10 years at the elementary, junior high and high school levels. Prior to joining District 203, she spent 20 years in corporate and small business administration. She is a published author and a graduate of Purdue University Northwest.

• **Dan Thorpe** is director of college guidance at Marmion Academy in Aurora, where he is also the head football coach and head track coach. He has a master's in school counseling and a teaching degree in the social sciences. He is the manager/moderator of the weight room and weightlifting club.

• **Norma Vega-Rodriguez** is a counselor at Glenbard East High School, and has been a school counselor for 35 years — 18 in Massachusetts and the last 17 in Illinois. She is retiring after the 2018-19 school year.

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