

Moran receives Addison Trail's 88's Best recognition for January

Dylan Moran has been named as Addison Trail's January recipient of 88's Best recognition for his stellar involvement in extracurricular activities. A senior, Moran was recognized during the Jan. 25 District 88 Board of Education meeting.

Moran's presence is well known at Addison Trail. He is dedicated, kind and doesn't always like the attention he acquires through his talented performances on the cross-country course.

But his quiet, influential and commanding leadership in class and with his fellow athletes is more than worthy of this award.

He has been a member of the boys cross-country team and the boys track and field team at AT for four years. He also has managed a rigorous academic schedule, taking eight Advanced Placement (AP)/college-level courses and six honors courses – all with outstanding grades. Moran has competed at Sectionals in cross-country three years in a row, he qualified for the Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Boys Cross-Country State meet last year, and he broke the school's track and field two-mile record as a sophomore and then again as a junior.

"Moran joined our program as a talented freshman after participating in our summer camp during junior high," said Brad Donaldson, cross-country coach. "He will leave AT as the most accomplished cross-country runner in program



Dylan Moran

history. He is a two-time All-Conference medalist (finishing 3rd in 2019 and 2020). He also is a four-time Regional team participant, a three-time Sectional qualifier and a State finalist in 2019 (there was no State meet in 2020 because of COVID-19), setting a school record with his State finals performance.

"The thing that really stands out about Moran is his drive and determination to succeed. Not only did he have high expectations for himself, but he followed through on his plans to achieve them. Everyone wants to be elite – until it is time to be elite. Most athletes aren't willing to make the sacrifice of time and effort to achieve lofty goals. Moran was more

than willing.

"We had one of our best teams this past season (during the COVID-19 disruption), and I firmly believe our success was rooted in his leadership skills and abilities. He was able to organize and coordinate his teammates in the time that we could not be together. When we were able to practice, it was like we hadn't missed a beat. Throughout a season that saw us never run a common course from prior years or participate in an invitational meet, this year could have been a real challenge, but Moran's attitude and leadership kept the team in flow and culminated with us almost qualifying as a team for Sectionals (one spot removed)."

Boys track and field Head Coach Jim Ziebkka agreed.

"As an elected team captain, Moran leads by example with his indomitable work ethic," he said. "In my 15 years at AT, I have not coached a student-athlete more committed to his craft than Moran. He has rewritten the AT records for distance running. His talents, leadership, presence and personality will be sorely missed by many upon his graduation."

"Over the years, Moran also has volunteered with our team at Northern Illinois Food Bank, Kiwanis Peanut Days and at numerous concession stand events. He was always all in to help the track and field program."

Moran said his biggest reward in being a student-athlete is that he has truly changed the culture of

cross-country and track and field at AT. When he first began, he noticed the members were not really into training – many joined the sport just to hang out with their friends. But, Moran leads by example – so he started doing winter and summer camps and got his peers to join him and to get more involved in the sport. Moran's favorite subject in school is science, so it's no surprise he found a way to combine his love of the subject matter with his love for the sport. He started taking classes on the human body and has taken Anatomy and Physiology, Bio-Medical Science, Medical Careers and AP Biology.

"As a student in AP Biology this year, Moran has consistently impressed me with the overall quality of his work and his ability to convey complex ideas," said Carolyn Erwin, science teacher. "He participates in class all the time, which I appreciate so much in our current learning mode. He is present, timely, brilliant and hardworking. All of these attributes will equate to continued success for his future endeavors. It is a pleasure to have him in class, and my congratulations to him and his family for his academic and athletic prowess."

Science teacher Aileen Sullivan agreed.

"I met Moran when he was a freshman in one of my Biology Honors classes," she said. "He was always inquisitive and striving to do

his best. Aside from his strong academics, it was quickly apparent he also had a good heart. Classmates were drawn to him because of his self-confidence, intelligence, friendliness and good humor. These wonderful qualities also were evident as a team member of Science Olympiad. As a young member, he was sought out by older members of the group because he was a team player – dependable and hardworking. Moran is a passionate person, who will be successful in whatever he pursues. I look forward to seeing him come back to share his story years from now, perhaps as a future Tradition of Excellence recipient."

English Department Head Amy Ferraro said what makes Moran stand out is his drive to improve and his natural leadership ability.

"Moran was a bright light in AP English Language and Composition last year – prepared, thoughtful, willing to engage in class discussions and challenge himself and his peers," said Ferraro. "I was most impressed with his humility. Moran doesn't love to write, but he was always willing to ask for help and share his work with the class in an effort to grow. He is a witty, kind and genuine young man, who is an excellent role model for his peers."

Moran plans to attend Elmhurst University, where he will study exercise science and run for the Men's Cross-Country Team and the Men's Track and Field Team.

Historian to present 'Robert Frost: A Poet for All Seasons' virtual program

The Addison Historical Society and Addison Public Library are co-sponsoring a free ZOOM program titled Robert Frost: A Poet for All Seasons on Thursday, Feb. 18, at 7 p.m. Frost is one of America's favorite poets. Most of his poems are rooted in New England rural settings: farms, fences, woods, flowers, birds and gardens. His cadre of 259 poems reflect all seasons of the year-

winter, spring, summer and fall.

Historian and Frost enthusiast Alice Smith will discuss Frost's fascinating youth, his family, his explosive popularity, goodwill travels for the Kennedy administration and university professorships. After retiring from Addison Trail High School as a Family and Consumer Sciences teacher, Smith began a rewarding and memorable experience, memo-

rizing Frost's poetry and researching his family history. Her love of history resulted in a seat on the Addison Historical Commission and on the board of the Addison Historical Society.

The program is free of charge, but pre-registration is required to receive the Zoom link. To pre-register, go to addisonlibrary.libcal.com/event/7319123.

College news

The following Addison residents were named to the Dean's List for Fall 2020 at the University of Kentucky: Sara Janice De La Rosa, nursing; Aidan O'Donnell, pre-journalism; and Lauren Stamatoopoulos, mathematical economics.

Elmhurst University has released a list of students named to the Dean's List for the fall semester of 2020. Students from Addison include: Adriana Aldana, Rabia Amin, Christian Aparicio, Allyssa August, Nicolet Bachmeier, Gabriella Campobasso, Lisamarie Caruso, Rosalia Cucinella, Sabrina Cucinella, Alexander Eddy, Katya Esparza, Nico Favuzzi, Diana Grinyuk, Max Gross, Jacquelyn Herrera, Ilvie Karafili, Luceana Luna, Esbeyda Martinez, Uriel Martinez, Caryna Martinez-Rios, Stephanie Maucieri, Ismet Mehmeti, Ramiro Mondragon, Itzel Mota, Greta Qano, Lisette Robles, Alexandra Rodriguez, Osvaldo Rodriguez, Josiah Varghese, Alisha

Warneke and James Zatos.

Addison resident John Scorza joined more than 1,800 University of Iowa students to graduate under extraordinary circumstances this year. Scorza earned a Bachelor of Science in Actuarial Science from Iowa's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

More than 7,400 undergraduate students at the University of Iowa named to the dean's list for the 2020 fall semester. Among them were the following Addison residents: Alex Conrad; Mitchell Gomez, Alec Montgomery, Rebecca Robles, Gianna Sarli, Rachel Simnides.

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Students from Bensenville include: Veronica Aristakessian, Andres Avila,

Hannah Ceaser, Dana Coons,

Annaliese DiSimone, Cassidy Feddersen, Arianna Fontanez, Doodly Garcia, Destiny Gloms, Semra Kurdova, Maxims Laureia, Jeremy Lodewyck, Abigail Mathew, Amanda Perry, Nina Rauzi, Javier Solis Perez, Kaitlin Staffeldt, Kayla Villarreal.

Students from Wood Dale include: Monserrat Estrada, Nathan Fonseca, Jenna Geraci, Kyle Higgins, Taylor Kaminski, Hanna Matuszewski, Sophie Miller, Rebecca Minuttillo, Klaudia Piechocka, Anthony Rogalski, Angelia Sanchez, Victoria Szymikowska, Hanna Tibbetts, Jane Wiggin, Julia Zawitkowska.

Bensenville resident Mackenzie Berschel was among the more than 7,400 undergraduate students at the University of Iowa named to the dean's list for the 2020 fall semester.

A student in the Iowa's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Mackenzie is majoring in Health and Human Physiology.



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Former Addison resident, boxer Spinks dies of cancer

Boxing career was marred by years of alcohol, drugs, partying

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"He's still the greatest, I'm just the latest."

That's what boxer Leon Spinks had to say about world heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali, after he shocked the world in 1978 in Las Vegas by taking the title from the aging champion in what was only Spinks' eighth professional fight.

He was also unfortunately a classic example of a rags-to-riches star, who lost his fortune on years of alcohol, drugs and partying.

Leon Spinks, a former resident of Addison, passed away from cancer on Saturday, Feb. 6, at the age of 67. He was born July 11, 1953, in St. Louis, Mo., one of eight children brought up by his mother Kay in the city's notorious Pruitt-Igode housing project, a location riddled with drugs, crime and gangs.

Spinks once recalled how his father had beaten him as a boy and taunted him by saying: "You'll never be nothin'." Those words would inspire Spinks in his quest for success as a boxer. He and his younger brother Michael learned to box at a nearby recreation center. Michael would also go on to become a world heavyweight champion, beating Lar-

ry Holmes in 1985.

Both brothers enjoyed success at the amateur level, culminating with gold medals for the U.S. at the 1976 Olympic Games in Montreal.

Leon, who had dropped out of school to join the U.S. Marines, was a three-time Marines champion and won a bronze medal in the World Championship of 1974. He earned a silver the following year in the Pan American Games in Mexico, before his Olympic triumph as a light heavyweight, while Michael won the middleweight title.

Spinks' gap-toothed smile, which later became famous across the world, came about during his military service.

"I got headbutted while sparring in the Marines, one or two got loose and they pulled them out," he said.

Lavish lifestyle doesn't help boxing career

"I had no control of myself outside of the ring," Spinks said. "All I cared about was going to the next party and who was I going to get high with? My life was cocaine, weed, cars and women. And I enjoyed it."

By the time of the agreed rematch with Ali in New Orleans, Spinks had acquired Mr. T as his personal body-

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guard, who would go on to appear in the television show *The A-Team* and the movie *Rocky III*. While Spinks partied hard -- often seen in a full-length fur coat reportedly worth \$45,000 -- Ali prepared meticulously for the rematch.

At the New Orleans Superdome, 63,350 people packed in for a fight that was broadcast to 80 countries across the world. This time Ali emerged as a clear winner on points.

It is believed Spinks earned less than \$300,000 from the first fight with Ali and \$3.5M for the rematch, but he was never destined to reach such heights again. He unsuccessfully

ly challenged Holmes for the WBC title in 1981, when he was stopped in three rounds; and fought Dwight Muhammad Qawi for the WBA cruiserweight crown in 1986, which Qawi won in the sixth.

Spinks quit boxing in 1995 at age 42. In contrast to his brother, who retired on \$13.5M after losing his title to Mike Tyson in 1988, Leon became a peripheral figure earning relatively insignificant sums. His career record shows 26 wins, 17 losses and three draws.

In the 1990s, Spinks lived in Addison during which time he was charged with DUI after causing a three-car accident in 1992, which netted him probation and community service.

Spinks was married three times and divorced twice. He found some order to his chaotic lifestyle with third wife Brenda Glur. They moved to Las Vegas, where Spinks made money selling autographs and photos to fans.

He is survived by Brenda and by two sons, Cory and Darrell, from an early relationship with Zedie Mae Calvin, with whom he grew up in St. Louis. A third son with Zedie Mae, Leon Jr., was killed in a shooting in 1990. Both Cory and Darrell became boxers, with Cory holding world titles at welterweight and junior middleweight. His grandson Leon Spinks III was also a professional fighter.

Foundation's 'Arts DuPage' issues grants to Addison organizations

Local arts organizations are among the most severely impacted industries as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and face great economic losses.

The shutdown of theaters, concert halls, museums and other areas where the arts are practiced and enjoyed has been devastating to the cultural and economic landscape of DuPage County, not to mention the livelihoods of those who are employed by the sector.

When the pandemic hit, however, DuPage Foundation's Arts DuPage initiative stepped into a leadership role with the local arts community to serve as communicator, advocate, connector and now as a conduit for DuPage Foundation grants to this beleaguered community. Recently, the Foundation was able to secure and grant \$300,000 in Federal Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security

(CARES) Act funds from DuPage County to 24 local arts organizations to help them weather this unprecedented storm.

"Local arts organizations play a vital role in the County's economy, and they've received little relief during the COVID-19 pandemic," said DuPage County Board member Sheila Rutledge, who requested this funding proposal be considered by the Board. "We're pleased to work with DuPage Foundation to ensure these organizations receive the assistance they desperately need so they can continue to provide cultural and economic benefits to DuPage County."

Among the grant recipients, the Addison Center for the Arts was awarded \$4,047; Salt Creek Ballet was granted \$15,000; and, the DuPage Symphony Orchestra received \$15,000.

Addison Trail senior finalist in 2021 NMS program

Addison Trail senior Fawzan Ali has been named as a Finalist in the 66th annual National Merit Scholarship Program, giving him the opportunity to earn National Merit Scholarship awards. To be named a Finalist, Ali



Fawzan Ali

had to submit a detailed application that included his academic record, his school and community activities, his leadership abilities, employment, and honors and awards received.

More than 1.5 million juniors from about 21,000 high schools entered the 2021 National Merit Scholarship Program. As many as 15,000 students have been named as Finalists. The NMSC will notify scholarship recipients in March.

Addison Trail recognizes 'Students of First Semester'

On Feb. 2, the Addison Trail Students of First Semester for the 2020-21 school year were presented by the staff members who nominated them. Because of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, the event was hosted virtually.

Those students are: Art: senior Juliza Bonilla; Career and Technical Education (CTE) business: senior Dino DiGrazia; CTE family and consumer: senior Ashley Dela Cruz;

CTE industry and technology: senior Sebastian Ruiz; English: junior Mateo Gomez; Literacy: sophomore David Terraza Matom; Math: junior Kyle Parker; Music: sophomore Diego De La Rosa; Physical education: Sophomore Miabella DiGrazia; Science: junior Mateo Gomez; Social studies: senior Israar Ahmed; Student services: sophomore Berenice Melendez-Rios; World languages: senior Anishmah Banu.

Resident receives national accreditation

Addison resident Graem J. Rubin, CRL, was recently awarded the designation of Certified Registered Locksmith (CRL) by the Associated Locksmiths of America (ALOA), Security Professionals Association, Inc., based in Dallas. The CRL designation offers an objective measure of an individual's knowledge and competence in locksmithing and physical security. It is the highest recognition available in the locksmith profession in the world.

Addison Trail announces honor roll for first semester

Addison Trail High School recently recognized its honor roll students who were named to the 2020-21 first-semester Distinction and Merit honor rolls.

(Editor's note: For space reasons, the Addison Independent brings its readers the seniors and juniors in this week's issue. The sophomores and freshmen will appear in a future edition.)

Grade 12 Distinction Honor Roll

John Adams, Luis Aguirre, Israa Ahmed, Khayr Ahmed, Zain Ahmed, Fawzan Ali, Noah Almandariz, Alondra Alvarado, Daniel Alvarez, Arlette Alvidrez, Gerardo Alvidrez, Isabel Aramburu, Francisco Arias, Liliana Avila, Brianna Barges, Kelly Barzykowska, Orlando Bautista-Perez, Charles Bekielewski, Elizabeth Bernar, Gianna Biango, Gabriela Bonilla, Juliza Bonilla, Sofia Bruno, Justine Audrey Bugante, Kevin Calixtro, Javier Castillo, Elizabeth Catalan, Yuliana Catano, Jonathan Chadez, Marcelo Chavez, Hailey Chiovinio, Salvatore Ciacio, Franchesca Cruz, Tiffany Cuevas, Carter Cunz, Mikolaj Dabrowski, Wai Wha Dam, Jenna D'Antonio, Rachel De Haro, Joseph DeBenedictis, Rodrigo Del Valle, Ashley Dela Cruz, Jocelyn Delgado, Miguel Diaz, Easton Dietz, Dino DiGrazia, Emma Diorio, Andrew Drogosz, Angelina D'Ugo, Maria Duran Espin, Angel Elizondo, Luis Erazo, Juan Escobedo, Sergio Estrada, Samuel Etheridge, Andrea Fernandez, Mario Ferri, Ryan Ficarra, Alyssa Gallo, Kayla Gandara, Andrea Garcia, Nalyssa Garcia, Mauricio Gonzalez, Rafael Gonzalez, Isabel Griffin, Victor Gutierrez III, Jacob Hagopian, Petya Haralanova, Yaelin Hernandez, Irving Hernandez G, Christian Houser, Thomas Housley, Diana Ibarra, Joceline Ibarra, Rodrigo Ibarra, Victoria Janiszewski, Mia Johnson, Rabia Khan, Hamza Kittaneh, Victoria Kolek, Jessica Krause,

Michelle Lara, Amie Lear, Alex Ledesma, Yaneli Leyva, Adamaris Lopez, Diego Lopez, Yubitz Lopez Rodriguez, Julia Isabella Macaya, Terrell Maghetti Jr, Sameer Majeed, Peter Markopoulos, Jake Matthews, Josiah Medrano, Gabriela Mendoza, Nicholas Mitchell, Leslie Montes De Oca, Lesley Montes Hernandez, Dylana Moran, Crista Moreno Aguilar, Madison Muhr, Britney Nakhmouane, Yusra Naseeruddin, Jasmin Nervis, Evelyn Nino-Ocampo, Konrad Nowak, Katherine O'Brien, Nancy Obrzut, Alexis Ochoa Martinez, Heide Ojeda, Erik Ojeda-Garcia, Araceli Olascoaga, Jenny Ortega, Kamila Pajerski, Jacqueline Palomino, Katharine Parikh, Jina Patel, Tirth Patel, Nell Pawlowski, Daustin Perez, Jorge Perez, Regina Perez, Natalia Poniatowski, Olga Povkh, Patrick Ptasznik, Michelina Pulice, Mahid Qaiser, Syed Quadri, Victoria Ramon, Eric Reed, Axel Reyna, Blessy Rodrigues, Bianca Rodriguez, Tiffany Rodriguez, Robert Roszkiewicz, Anna Ruffolo, Sebastian Ruiz, Fernanda Sanchez, Erik Sanchez-Saavedra, Viviana Sanfilippo, Natalia Sawicka, Francesca Scarabaggio, Brooke Schuttler, Kevin Servin, Ally Severino, Huda Siddiqui, Andrea Simko, Bianca Sitkowski, Emily Stevenson, Jacob Struchen, Alexis Theodore, Christine Thomas, Natalya Trejo Huerigo, Nikolette Trombatore, Michelle Turgeon, Luis Ultras, Raul Villalreal, Wendy Villegas, Horfanel Vivero, Jasmine Viveros, Sara Walis, Mateusz Wojdak, Nicholas Yanez, Shumaila Zakria, Lizbeth Zamora-Sanchez, Samantha Zarembo.

Grade 12 Merit Honor Roll

Gabriel Ambris, Alexis Aparicio, Kevin Armenta, Stephanie Arreguin-Campos, John Asiruas, Lizbeth Banuelos, Diana Bueno, Daniella Cassata, Sharon Chavez, Diana Cobos, Noe Cruz-Alvarez, Jasmine Edwards, Gianfranco Ferraris, Ray Fischer, Fredy Fuentes, Isabella

Garay, Eric Garcia, Paloma Garcia, Cole Greaves, Mannel Heredia, Angel Hernandez, Anthony Hernandez, Brandon Hernandez, Jacqueline Hernandez, Salvador Hernandez, Estrella Luna-Casillas, Gabriela Manjarrez, Connie Martinez, Danna Martinez Garcia, Jathan Merino, Maydelin Munoz, Daniela Nava, Michael O'Connell, Leslie Pelaez, Anthony Perez, Brian Pisarcik, Isabel Quevedo, Ivan Ramirez, Jasmine Reyes, Yaritza Rojas, Alessandra Salgado, Nicholas Sanchez, Valerie Soto, Jazmin Terreros, Aricon Thelmon, Giovanni Toledano, Natalie Trotta, Miguel Urquiza Mendez, Alma Vargas Chavez, Justin Vealy, Julian Venegas, Regueiro Verdin, Christopher Villegas, Rosalio Villegas Medina, Stephanie Zamanigo, Jakub Zaraza

Grade 11 Distinction Honor Roll

Andrea Aburto, Ayme Aguilar, Arsalan Ahmad, Nimrah Ahmed, Uzair Ahmed, Sebastian Alexander Alica, Diego Armando Alvarado, Octavio Alvarado, Roohana Amin, Hugo Arellano, Cristian Avelar, Leslie Banuelos, Samantha Bartosik, Lana Bastian, Daniel Bastida, Ray Angelo Bautista, Christian Benitez, Jayra Benitez, Morri Bernardo, Monserrat Berrum, Bailey Beyer, Anthony Biancalana, Sara Bojczuk, Christopher Bonilla, Jason Borova, Sean Brink Jr, Antonio Bruno, Charlotte Cahill, Vincent Calzante, Angelina Camaci, Joseph Carrizales, Luciana Casucci, Kitiiana Chanvhanphen, Enzo Ciacia, Jasmine Cosio, Karime Cosio, Kimberly Cruywells, Domenico Cucinella, Miguel Cuevas, Sabrina Culotta, Salvatore Culotta, Dylan Cummins, Natalia Dabrowska, Analise D'Alessandro, Jacob Daniels, Mayra De Loera, Beatriz Delgado, Sneha Dhandapani, Madison Dorn, Maria Angela Doudalis, Alan Espinoza, Heron Eugenio, Yousef Farooqui, Galilea Felix, Isabella Fernandez, Abigail

Ficarra, Chris Flores, Melody Flores, Briana Florian, Madelyn Ford, Mia Fotopoulos, Gisselle Galeana, Michael Gamboa, Lesley Garcia, Angeles Garcia Moreno, Marcos Garnica, Delaney Gayon, Mia Giometti, Joshua Gloms, Taylor Gloms, Mateo Gomez, Mireya Gomez, Maideli Gomez Gomez, Karen Gonzalez, Tina Gonzalez, Emilee Groer, Celeste Gutierrez, Wendy Gutierrez, Madisen Haskell, Brianna Hernandez, Daniel Hernandez, Lilyanna Hernandez, Moises Hernandez, Patricia Hernandez, Amaria Hunt, Ryan Ing, Jovanna Jimenez, Martin Johnson, Hailee Konrad, Maciej Koper, Matthew Koufalias, Gerald Legaspi, Alicia Lloveras, Isiah Look, Deana Lopez, Selvin Lopez Mares, Julia Lopresto, Luis Luna-Banda, Lauren Macaraeg, Yasmin Macedo Hernandez, Nayla Mahesh, Abrar Makki, Andrea Marquez, Ivonne Marquez, Alexander Martinez, Cristian Martinez, Maria Martinez, Christopher Milewski, Ixcel Mondragon, Stephany Mondragon, Lineh Monterroso, Julio Montes De Oca, Ana Dalay Mora, Giovanna Mosely, Ariela Muhaj, Olivia Mutia, Cindy Nakhmouane, Iman Naseeruddin, Jonathan Nasti, Juliana Nasti, Paul Nguyen, Michal Niemirski, Max Ojeda, Anthony Olavarria, Ethan Oliva, Joel Olvera Lopez, Estevan Onorato, Isacc Ortiz, Joshua Osornio, Leslie Ozuna Cortez, Fernando Padua III, Giuseppe Paladino, Amalia Panos, Marco Pantaleo, Andrea Parent, Nico Parente, Kyle Parker, Dev Patel, Shan Patel, Yana Patel, Evan Penczek, Jonathon Peralta, Leonor Perez, Malek Perez, Nancy Perez, David Peters, Grace Prainito, Suzzane Ramirez, Isaia Ramos, Jackson Regan, Michael Retondo, Moncerrat Reveles, Jaclyn Rivera, Melissa Rodarte, Daniela Rodriguez, Luis Rodriguez V, Isabella Rojas, Krystal Rojas, Gabriela Rojo, Frank Ruggieri, Maricelio Ruiz, Adam Sakleh, Natalie Sanchez, Alex Sandoval, Sebastian Sawina, Jason

Schneider, Andrea Serrano, Celeste Servin, Farooq Siddiqui, Kennedy Smith, Matthew Sobus, Zachary Soderberg, Dimitra Spyrtatos, Kostadino Stavropoulos, Lindsay Stevenson, Juan Talavera, Melany Tinajero Monroy, Mayra Tiscareno, Dominik Trendyk, Atziqi Valbuena, Maximiliano Valdez, David Valencia, Basile Vassos, Eliseo Venuti, Anthony Vidales, Roanda Villalobos, Victoria Villalreal, Jessica Villaseñor, Leonardo Villegas, John Voinea, Emma Walis, Luke Werderich, Cami Whitaker, Zubair Yacob, Hannah Zacharia, Deniz Zamora, Carly Zaprzal, Sidney Zhao, Daniel Zielinski, Daniel Zink, Daniel Zuniga Jr.

Grade 11 Merit Honor Roll

Justin Addante, Jennifer Alvarez Padilla, Elijah Aquino, Alexander Azpeitia, Brenda Berrum, Caroline Bielsk, Patrick Campbell, Jonathan Campos, Juvenio Carrera Jr, Anthony Colorato, Manuel De La Cruz, Ruby De La Cruz, Julisa Diaz, Erik Dominguez, Octavio Estrada, Nathaniel Figueroa, Adolfo Galvez, Uriel Garcia, Michael Godenius, Alexander Gomez, Daniel Guerrero, Emily Guevarra, Mayra Hernandez-Flores, Jason Houser, Karla Juarez, Will Keller, Patrick Lacni, Franc Roberto Llanto III, Neela Lugo, Roselynn Martinez, Alyssa Matthews, Ivette Medina, Trinity Michura, Gracie Muccianti, Misael Munoz, Erica Myrda, Gia Napoli, Brianna Novak, Ariella O'Donnell, Pedro Olascoaga, Maria Peralta, Naydelin Perez, Rachel Petrbok, John Finns, Ruben Ramirez, Emily Rivera Perez, Cassandra Rodriguez, Erick Rodriguez, Angela Rojas, Alejandro Roman, Victoria Rubio, Heriberto Salcedo Jr, Liliana Sanchez, Peter Savinos, Kayla Soukup Twomey, Marian Soza, Zachary Strauss, Brian Tran, Jazmin Valdez, Jennifer Valdez, Mariangely Velez Capo, Diana Villegas-Hernandez, Michael Zimmermann, Marissa Zuccherro.

County, SCARCE host Sustainable Design Challenge for high school students

On Monday, Feb. 8, DuPage County and SCARCE announced that they were now accepting project proposals from local high school students for the 15th annual Sustainable Design Challenge. The Sustainable Design Challenge, which encourages students to construct building and landscape models using environmental and conservation-friendly design practices, will be held virtually with project submissions due in April.

"The Sustainable Design Challenge is something we look forward to each year, and, despite recent hardships, I'm so pleased it has continued with minimal interruption," said DuPage County Stormwater Management Committee Chairman Jim Zay. "Through virtual means, the students are still able to interact with and learn from industry professionals as they research, design and construct their own innovative building concepts."

In addition to inspiring students to explore careers in urban planning, architecture and

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DuPage County Stormwater Management Committee Chairman

engineering, the competition promotes environmental and stormwater management education within Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) curricula in local high schools.

SCARCE Founder and Executive Director Kay McKeen emphasizes the importance of applying STEM education learned in school to real-life scenarios.

"The Sustainable Design Challenge

provides invaluable real-life experience for students," said McKeen. "In school, they learn about the importance of sustainable concepts, including green infrastructure and energy-efficiency, but actually incorporating these practices into building designs makes a long-lasting impression. Inspired by the competition, some students then go on to pursue STEM-related fields in college and beyond."

All DuPage County high schools are encouraged to participate. Past competitors include students from Wheaton Warrenville South (Wheaton), Wheaton North, Naperville North, Glenbard South (Glen Ellyn), Glenbard East (Lombard), Addison Trail, College Preparatory School of America (Lombard), Neuqua Valley (Naperville), York Community (Elmhurst), Willowbrook (Villa Park), Downers Grove North, Downers Grove South, Hinsdale Central, Hinsdale South (Darien), Metea Valley (Aurora), Waubonsie Valley (Aurora), Montini Catholic (Lombard), St. Francis (Wheaton) and Lake Park (Roselle) high schools.

Registration will be open through April 16, and final projects are due April 23. For information on participating in this year's challenge, visit scarce.org/sustainable-design2021/.

SCARCE will post all submissions in late April with winners announced in May.

SPORTS

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Warriors begin their season with a virtual meet against Downers Grove South

Naumovsky takes first in two events; Placek earns the team's top all-around score

STAFF REPORT

The Willowbrook girls gymnastics team opened its winter season with last week's unique dual meet against the Downers Grove co-op team.

Instead of competing against each other in the same location, the two teams squared off in a virtual meet. The Warriors performed at their school in the Feb. 11 meet, while the Downers Grove gymnasts performed at the same time in Downers Grove.

"As long as they are happy and competing, and as long as we can keep it going, we'll do whatever we need to do to keep them in the gym," said Willowbrook coach Deanna

Zuchowski after the meet. Zuchowski also noted that the Warriors, who usually have up to three weeks of practice before their first meet of the season, had only seven practices before this year's season opener.

The Downers Grove team, which consists of gymnasts from both Downers Grove South and Downers Grove North high schools, earned a team score of 133.35 in the event. Willowbrook posted a team score of 121.7.

Junior Bella Naumovsky provided the Warriors with first-place finishes in two events—the balance beam and floor exercises. Naumovsky's routine

on the balance beam received a score of 8.7. Downers Grove's best performance on the beam yielded an 8.5.

Naumovsky earned her victory in floor exercises—the final event of the meet—with a performance that earned a score of 8.8. Downers Grove's top scorer in that event received an 8.75.

Willowbrook junior Tess Placek turned in her team's top all-around score—a 30.6. Placek earned the Warriors' best individual score on the vault (8.6) and the uneven bars (7.5). She received scores of 7.0 on the balance beam and 7.5 in floor exercises.

Sophomore Sarah Ball of the War-

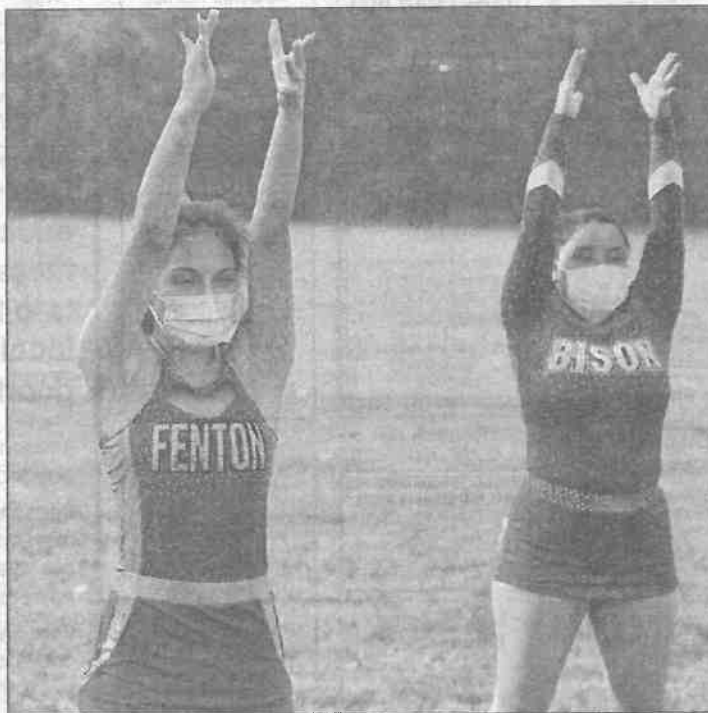
riors earned an all-around score of 30.3. Ball opened the meet with 8.0 on the vault. She added scores of 7.2 on the uneven bars, 6.9 on balance beam and 8.2 in floor exercises.

Willowbrook sophomore Ha Mitrick earned an all-around total of 27.95, which featured an 8.3 on the vault and a 7.1 in floor exercises. Sophomore Molly Morris posted an all-around score of 27.5 for the Warriors. Her total included an 8.2 on vault. Willowbrook senior Ma Costello contributed a score of 27.5 on the vault.



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Willowbrook's girls gymnastics team began its season with last week's meet against the Downers Grove co-op team. The two teams competed at the same time in different locations. The Warriors performed their routines at Willowbrook, while the Downers Grove gymnasts performed in Downers Grove. The photo from Willowbrook's performance in floor exercises shows junior Tess Placek, who earned the Warriors' top all-around score (30.6).



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Fenton Cheer Squad seeks members

The 2020-21 Fenton Cheerleading season has begun! Come be part of Fenton's program! Girls and guys who are interested in joining the team can contact Coach Cademartori by sending an email to cademartori@fenton100.org. Practices will be held every Monday, Tuesday and Friday in the fieldhouse, once arrangements are complete.

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Warriors start their season

Willowbrook's girls basketball team opened its season with a 51-50 loss to York on Friday night in Elmhurst. Senior Grace Tumilty (No. 21) of the Warriors is pictured while driving toward the basket late in the fourth quarter. Tumilty drove to the hoop and scored to break a 47-47 tie. She was fouled on the shot and made the subsequent free throw to complete a three-point play that gave Willowbrook a 50-47 lead with 1:08 remaining. The Dukes made a free throw a few seconds later to cut the Warriors' lead to 50-48. York delivered a three-point play of its own to take a 51-50 lead with 12.8 seconds to play. Junior Sophie Sullivan made six 3-point shots and poured in 25 points for Willowbrook. Senior Taris Thornton added 10 points. Tumilty, who missed her junior basketball season with a knee injury, contributed nine points. For more about the Warriors' game against York, see Page 12.

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Warriors pick up first win of the season by edging Addison Trail

Sophomore Noah Campbell provides a team-leading 18 points in the win

STAFF REPORT

The Willowbrook boys basketball team earned its first victory of the season when it defeated Addison Trail 65-59 on Friday night in Villa Park. The Warriors, who trailed the Blazers 40-39 through three quarters, made 11 field goals, including one 3-point shot, during the fourth period.

Willowbrook improved to 1-2 with Friday's win over Addison Trail. The Warriors dropped to 1-3 following Saturday afternoon's 58-47 loss at Proviso West.

In its first game of last week, Willowbrook dropped a 68-34 decision at Glenbard West on Feb. 16. The talented Hilltoppers held a 19-9 lead after one quarter. The lead grew to 31-12 by halftime. Glenbard West held a 50-25 advantage at the end of the third quarter.

Senior Amaris Hughes scored a team-leading 11 points for the Warriors in the loss at Glenbard West. Junior Marquel Saleek scored seven points, while juniors Ryan Pegler and Alexander Simmons provided six and five points, respectively.

Willowbrook sophomore Noah Campbell scored a team-high 18 points in Friday's win over the Blazers. Campbell scored eight points in the third quarter and added six more points during the final period.

"We were up early, then we fell

behind," said Willowbrook coach Ryan Tyszkiewicz, speaking moments after the victory over the Blazers—his first win as the Warriors' coach. "We kept fighting. We turned up the energy on defense and made a few steals."

Simmons scored 11 points during Friday's win. He tallied nine of those points during the fourth quarter, when he drained three baskets and made three of five free-throw attempts.

Hughes and senior Haven Pryor each contributed four points in the decisive fourth quarter. Saleek, who finished the game with nine points, connected on a 3-point shot in the final period.

Hughes and junior Evan Stubblefield both scored eight points in Friday's win over Addison Trail. Stubblefield netted a pair of 3-point shots

during the first quarter.

The Warriors had more than one reason to celebrate Friday's exciting win over the Blazers. In addition to giving Tyszkiewicz his first win, the result marked a triumph for this season's new-look team, which doesn't include any starters from last season's squad.

While it's fun to win, the Warriors, along with most other high school basketball teams in Illinois, are simply happy to be playing.

"To be honest, I wasn't even expecting to have a season," said Tyszkiewicz in noting that a few weeks ago, it appeared the COVID-19 pandemic might wipe out the entire 2020-21 high school basketball season throughout the state. "Being back together in the gym has been awesome for our guys."

Willowbrook fell to an early deficit in Saturday's battle at Proviso West. The Panthers held a 13-2 lead at the end of the first quarter. The lead grew to 28-9 during the second period, but the Warriors cut Proviso West's lead to 28-16 by halftime. The Panthers' lead stood at 42-30 at the end of the third quarter.

Hughes made four baskets and sank all four of his shots from the foul line to provide 12 points for the Warriors in Saturday's game. He also snared a team-leading nine rebounds. Campbell, who made five of eight shots from the field, including two of four attempts from 3-point territory, also scored 12 points. Saleek contributed nine points and eight rebounds.

The Warriors' schedule this week features games against Proviso East, Leyden and Downers Grove North.

Warriors roll to three straight decisive victories

Freshman Calli Kenny averages 13 points per game during winning streak

STAFF REPORT

The Willowbrook girls basketball team rebounded from its season-opening loss at York by posting

three straight home wins last week.

The Warriors opened their successful week with a 56-27 victory

over Glenbard West on Feb. 16.

Three nights later, Willowbrook defeated Addison Trail 57-33. The

Warriors followed Friday night's win against the Blazers with a 67-38 victory over Proviso West on Saturday afternoon.

"Everyone is kind of getting used to each other," said Willowbrook coach Terry Harrell after Saturday's win. "The group is working as a unit. We haven't played a complete game yet. Hopefully we can get to where we play four full quarters."

The Warriors led Glenbard West 15-11 after one quarter and 28-19 at halftime. Willowbrook buried the Hilltoppers in the third quarter, outscoring the visitors 26-5 to take a 54-24 lead by the end of the period. The lead of at least 30 points triggered a running clock throughout the fourth quarter.

Freshman Calli Kenny made all six of her attempts from the field, including a pair of 3-point shots, to tally 14 points for the Warriors in their win over Glenbard West. Kenny also grabbed 10 rebounds in the contest, which marked her second varsity game.

Senior Gracie Tumilty scored 14 points and pulled down eight rebounds for the Warriors in the Feb. 16 win. Freshman Elle Bruschuk provided 10 points and seven rebounds. Senior Stephanie Dasbach grabbed 10 rebounds and scored three points. Senior Tavis Thornton and junior Sophie Sullivan scored eight and seven points, respectively.

The Warriors needed a little time to get rolling in Friday's game against Addison Trail. Willowbrook held an 11-10 lead at the end of the first quarter. Sullivan and Thornton accounted for all 11 of the team's first-quarter points—Sullivan provided six points with a pair of 3-point shots, while Thornton made one 3-point shot along with a 2-point field goal. Willowbrook extended its lead to 31-16 by halftime. Sullivan scored eight points during the second quarter. Kenny made three baskets, including a 3-point shot, during the period.

Willowbrook outscored Addison Trail 22-8 in the third quarter to extend its lead to 53-24.

Sullivan, who made four 3-point shots against the Blazers, led the Warriors' scoring attack with 22 points. Kenny finished with nine

"The group is working as a unit. We haven't played a complete game yet. Hopefully we can get to where we play four full quarters."

—Terry Harrell, Willowbrook coach

points, while Thornton scored seven points. Tumilty scored all six of her points during the third period.

The Warriors outscored Proviso West 24-4 during the third quarter of Saturday's game. Willowbrook led the Panthers 20-10 after one quarter and 38-22 at halftime. The third-quarter surge gave the Warriors a 62-26 lead and produced a running clock for the entire fourth quarter.

Three Warriors—Sullivan, Thornton and Kenny—shared the team's high-scoring honors in Saturday's win, which pushed Willowbrook's record to 3-1. Each player scored 16 points. Sullivan made one 3-point shot and sank three of four attempts from the foul line. Kenny, who also drained one 3-point shot, scored 14 of her points during the first half. She scored seven points in each of the first two quarters.

Sullivan and Thornton both recorded nine rebounds. Dasbach provided eight points and eight rebounds.

The Warriors' schedule this week includes games against Proviso East, Lyons Township and Leyden. Willowbrook and the 13 other teams in the West Suburban Conference are playing exclusively against conference opponents during the current abbreviated winter season, which ends on March 13—two weeks from this Saturday. Harrell said the conference's 14 teams are planning to conclude the season with a tournament.

"We're looking forward to that," said Harrell of the upcoming conference event. "The girls have something to play for."



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Willowbrook's girls basketball team won three straight home games last week to improve its record to 3-1. The Warriors earned their victories over Glenbard West, Addison Trail and Proviso West. Freshman Calli Kenny (above right - No. 35) scored 14 points in the victory over Glenbard West on Feb. 16. She connected on all six of her attempts from the field; those six attempts included a pair of 3-point shots. Kenny scored nine points in Friday's win over Addison Trail and provided 16 points in Saturday's win over Proviso West. Kenny and another freshman—Elle Bruschuk (above left - No. 33)—are already major contributors to the varsity lineup. Bruschuk scored 10 points and grabbed seven rebounds in the Warriors' win over Glenbard West. "They are both playing heavy minutes," said Willowbrook coach Terry Harrell of the two freshmen. "The future is extremely bright for both of them."

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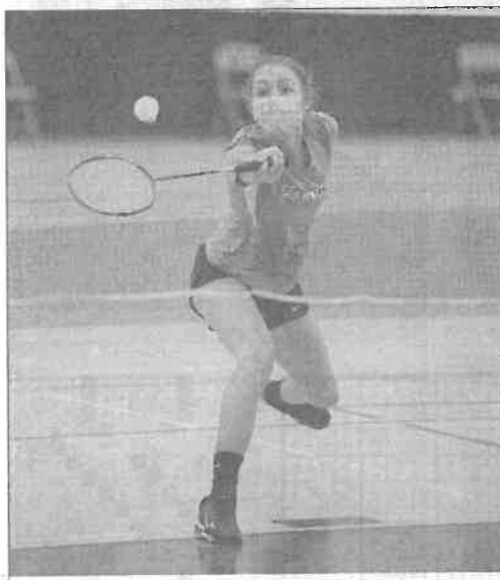
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Blazers vs. Warriors

(Above): Addison Trail senior Mia Johnson (No. 9, left) and Willowbrook senior Stephanie Dasbach (right) battle for a rebound during Friday's girls basketball game in Villa Park. The Warriors defeated the visiting Blazers 57-33. Johnson scored a team-leading 10 points for Addison Trail. Dasbach grabbed a team-high 10 rebounds and scored four points for Willowbrook. Another photo from the game (right) shows Addison Trail junior Gia Napoli (No. 2), who scored seven points, and Willowbrook sophomore Angle Lizasualn (No. 22), who scored three points.



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Winning Warriors

The Willowbrook badminton team, which lost its first two dual meets of the season, earned its first win during last week's home meet against Leyden. The Warriors earned a 6-1 victory in the Feb. 17 dual meet against the Eagles in Villa Park. One photo (left) shows Willowbrook senior Katy Abbott during her 21-7, 21-12 win in the No. 1 singles match. Another photo (right) shows junior Becca Lopez Egan, who earned a 21-17, 21-12 victory in the No. 2 singles contest. Abbott and Lopez Egan teamed up to capture a 21-13, 21-12 win in the meet's No. 1 doubles match. Freshman Lily Caron earned a 21-12, 21-16 victory at No. 3 singles. The Warriors' other winners in the dual meet included junior Annabelle Romero, who battled to a 22-20, 21-15 victory in the No. 5 singles match.



Pritzker outlines \$41.6 billion budget with flat spending

By Jerry Nowicki
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CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

Gov. JB Pritzker outlined a \$41.6 billion budget proposal last week that would hold most state agencies at flat funding levels but which relies heavily on changes to the state's corporate tax structure that lawmakers have not yet approved.

The budget proposal, which is only the governor's request for lawmakers in the General Assembly, does not call for income tax increases. Over the next four months, lawmakers will work on an operating budget of their own to send to the governor which may or may not address all of his requests.

It also does not rely on any federal funding increases that have not yet been passed into law, although a federal Medicaid reimbursement rate increase that is already in place does account for a \$638 million reduction to the state's expenditures.

It was Pritzker's third budget message since taking office in 2019. And unlike others that were delivered from

the House chamber in the Capitol, this year's message was delivered remotely through a prerecorded video due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

The address was recorded at the Illinois State Fairgrounds, which now serves as a COVID-19 vaccination site.

In his speech, Pritzker had harsh rhetoric for "far right" Republicans at all levels of government, describing them as "carnival barkers," for lobbying against federal relief to states and for defying health guidelines. He also once again made note of the two-year budget impasse presided over by Republican former Gov. Bruce Rauner, calling it a "self-inflicted" period of suffering which saw the state's backlog of unpaid bills balloon to over \$16 billion.

He said in the past 20 years, as pension payments have become an increasing burden on state finances, Illinois' number of government employees has shrunk by 30 percent, the Illinois State Police force has shrunk by 40 percent, and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency work force shrunk by 60 percent, he said.

"If there is anything the last year should have taught us, it is that we need a reliably well-funded government," he said. "Many on the far right have made their name in politics by touting cuts to unemployment programs and health insurance coverage. They called anyone who sought unemployment benefits 'takers.' They demonize state employees. And they fought unrelentingly to eliminate any state or federal funds designed to make health care more accessible, equitable and fair."

The budget proposed for fiscal year 2022 relies on more than \$900 million in corporate tax changes that will require action from the General Assembly. Those include a reversal of previous General Assembly action to repeal the corporate franchise tax, a cap on net operating losses for the fiscal year that would allow for \$314 million in savings and a cap on a retailer's discount to \$1,000 per month, and other changes.

GOP, Illinois Chamber criticize proposed budget

But Republicans and business groups lambasted the governor's plan as a tax increase on businesses and a betrayal of a bipartisan compromise budget which members of both parties celebrated in Pritzker's first year.

Republican House Minority Leader Jim Durkin, of Western Springs, accused the governor of seeking "payback" in his effort to repeal some corporate tax incentives passed by lawmakers in 2019, alleging that it was in response to the November failure of the graduated income tax.

Senate Minority Leader Dan McCortie, R-Hawthorn Woods, called the budget an attempt to "move money around" and raise corporate taxes.

While the governor characterized his corporate tax changes of closing "corporate loopholes," Republicans characterized it as an elimination of important incentives aimed at keeping job creators in the state.

Illinois Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Todd Maisch characterized the tax changes as "a massive tax increase."

"We understand that the state has fiscal problems to address, however, the

governor's plan will have a long-term negative impact on job creation and tax revenues for the state as it produces an unfair increase on taxpayers after they resoundingly defeated the graduated income tax," Maisch said in an email statement. "This not only will expand what will get taxed, but will also reduce key tax credits for vital sectors of the economy."

Toll of pandemic on state finances

Much of Pritzker's speech was dedicated to demonstrating the toll of the pandemic both on society and state finances.

"I had bolder plans for our state budget than what I am going to present to you today. It would be a lie to suggest otherwise," Pritzker said. "But as all our families have had to make hard choices over the last year, so too does state government."

Senior budget officials, in a briefing before the address was streamed, noted the governor will still seek to decouple the state tax code from changes allowed in the federal Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security, or CARES, Act. That change would keep revenues flat from a year ago by providing that the CARES Act cuts passed last year would not automatically reduce Illinois state tax burdens for businesses.

The measure failed in the lame duck session as Republicans blasted it as a more than \$500 million tax increase on businesses, but Democrats at the time said it was a way to prevent revenue loss by maintaining the status quo.



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District 88 hosts vaccinations

District 88, which includes two schools—Willowbrook High School and Addison Trail High School—secured partnerships with Jewel-Osco and Genoa Healthcare to provide about 4,600 doses of Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine. Inoculations were administered recently (on Feb. 17, 18, 20 and 21) at Addison Trail to staff members from school districts 4, 45, 48 and 88, as well as to staff members from local parochial schools, preschools and Technology Center of DuPage. Some senior citizens (65 and older) from Addison, Lombard, Villa Park, Oakbrook Terrace and surrounding communities were also included in last week's inoculations at Addison Trail. Visit www.dupage88.net/ReturnToSchoolPlan for more information about District 88's Return to School Plan.



Answers

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LEGAL NOTICES

Notice of Intention of School District Number 4, DuPage County, Illinois to Issue \$500,000

Working Cash Fund Bonds
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that on the 24th day of February, 2021, the Board of Education (the "Board") of School District Number 4, DuPage County, Illinois (the "District"), adopted a resolution declaring its intention and determination to issue bonds in the aggregate amount of \$500,000 for the purpose of increasing the Working Cash Fund of the District, and it is the intention of the Board to avail of the provisions of Article 20 of the School Code of the State of Illinois, and all laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, and to issue said bonds for the purpose of increasing said Working Cash Fund. Said Working Cash Fund is to be maintained in accordance with the provisions of said Article and shall be used for the purpose of enabling the District to have in its treasury at all time sufficient money to meet demands thereon for expenditures for corporate purposes.

A petition may be filed with the Secretary of the Board (the "Secretary") within thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice, signed by not less than 2,045 voters of the District, said number of voters being equal to ten percent (10%) of the registered voters of the District, requesting that the proposition to issue said bonds be authorized by the provisions of said Article 20 be submitted to the voters of the District. If such petition is filed with the Secretary within thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice, an election on the proposition to issue said bonds shall be held on the 15th day of March, 2022. The Circuit Court may declare that an emergency referendum should be held prior to said election date pursuant to the provisions of Section 2A-1.4 of the Election Code of the State of Illinois, as amended. If no such petition is filed within said thirty (30) day period, then the District shall thereafter be authorized to issue said bonds for the purpose hereinabove provided.

By order of the Board of Education of School District Number 4, DuPage County, Illinois.

DATED this 24th day of February, 2021.

Serge Ruffolo
Secretary, Board of Education,
School District Number 4,
DuPage County, Illinois
Dave Williams
President, Board of Education,
School District Number 4,
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Boys basketball teams take to the courts

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The boys basketball season is underway. Here are previews of teams in the Suburban Life coverage area.

Benet

Coach: Gene Heidkamp (13th season)
Last year's record: 24-9, third place in East Suburban Catholic Conference

Top returners: Tyler Van Eekeren, sr., F, 6-5; Sam Hennessy, sr., G, 6-2
Worth noting: The Redwings have topped 20 wins in 11 consecutive seasons under Heidkamp, who last year recorded his 300th career win. Benet has big shoes to fill with Colin Crothers, a four-year starter who averaged 14.8 points and 8.2 rebounds, now at Johns Hopkins. Jack Prock, who averaged 11 points and made 79 3-pointers, also graduated. Van Eekeren, committed to Division III power Washington University in St. Louis, averaged 8 points, 4 rebounds and 2 assists and shot 42% from 3-point range for a Benet team last year that had its season cut short in the sectional semifinal when the postseason was canceled. Hennessy is the Redwings' other returning starter.

Downers Grove North

Coach: Jim Thomas (14th season)
Last year's record: 14-15, 6-6 West Suburban Silver, third place

Top returners: Jack Mielke, sr., F, 6-6; Kyle Engstler, sr., F, 6-5; Kevin Bozeman, sr., F, 6-6; Matt Schellbach, sr., F, 6-6; Eli Carter, sr., G, 6-2; Jake Demos, sr., G, 5-11; Nate Demos, sr., G, 5-11; Jake Morgan, sr., G, 6-1; Will Reimer, sr., G, 6-1; Aiden Stephens, sr., G, 6-2; Griffin Ilyavi, jr., G, 6-3

Worth noting: The Trojans return all but one starter. Mielke averaged nearly 15 points in a breakout junior season and gained 15 pounds during the offseason. He committed to Division II Southern Indiana in November. With 10 seniors, it's a successful group that went 43-3 as underclassmen and were battle-tested as juniors in the tough West Suburban Silver.

Downers Grove South

Coach: Kris Olson (ninth season)
Last year's record: 9-19, 6-6 West Suburban Gold

Top returners: Jake Dimovski, sr., G, 5-10; Kobe Jones, sr., F, 6-4; Kyle Fenner, sr., G, 5-10; Nathan Waterman, jr., F, 6-7; Michael Rheintgen, sr., F/C, 6-7
Key newcomers: Chris Bell, jr., G, 6-0; Harold Dismukes, jr., G, 5-11; Patrick Laurich, jr., F, 6-6; Keaton O'Leary, jr., F, 6-4; Jaylen Montgomery, jr., G, 5-8

Worth noting: The Mustangs return their starting five from last season. Dimovski averaged 10 points and 3.5 assists, Waterman 8.6 points and 6.4

5 boys basketball players to watch

Jeff Grace, York, senior, guard: Four-year varsity guard is one of the elite defenders in the area. Grace averaged 7.8 points, 4.1 rebounds and 2.7 rebounds as a junior for York, a 28-game winner and West Suburban Silver champion. Expect Grace to have a breakout year offensively.

Josh Harris, Timothy Christian, senior, guard/forward: Big-time scorers led the Trojans in points the past two seasons. Harris averaged 14 points, 5 rebounds and 2 assists per game last year. Harris last year was a key part of Timothy Christian's first state team since 1980. A 6-foot-3 wing, Harris is closing in on 1,000 career points.

Bryce Hopkins, Fenwick, senior, guard/forward: Kentucky recruit is ranked the No. 2 senior in Illinois and a top 35 recruit nationally. Physical 6-foot-7 wing with guard-like skills can go inside and outside with a sensational combination of power and athleticism. A matchup nightmare at the high school level. Hopkins averaged 24 points and 10 rebounds a game as a junior.

Braden Huff, Glenbard West, junior, forward: Stretch forward is part of a Hilltoppers junior class with a ton of talent and potential. Huff, 6-foot-10 with shoes on, averaged 15.7 points, 7.5 rebounds and 2.5 assists as a sophomore and might be just scratching the surface with his ability. Has offers from Northwestern, Creighton, Virginia Tech and Wisconsin. Added muscle should help Huff against defenses that try to get physical with him.

Jesus Perez, Morton, senior, guard: A wizard with the ball in his hands. Small in stature, Perez is a giant on the court with his ability to break pressure, find teammates and break down opponents off the dribble. Averaged 13 points, close to 7 assists and almost 3 steals per game last season for a Morton team that won 23 games and its first regional title in five years. Perez also is a stellar soccer player.

Dylan Crowe, jr., G, 6-0; Tyrese Buffkin, jr., G/F, 6-2
Worth noting: One Hall of Fame coach replaces another as Biancalana takes the reins from retiring Scott Miller. Biancalana has won 416 games in 22 seasons, most recently at DeKalb, and also was a collegiate assistant for 10 years at Bradley and UIC. He joins a program with three starters back from a 22-win regional champion. Rogers averaged 7.8 points and a team-high 6.5 rebounds as a junior. Hamilton averaged 5.6 points and was second on the Rams in 3-pointers. Rivas added 5.1 points. The Rams have to make up for the production of graduated DaRon Hall, the Upstate Eight MVP who averaged 21.4 points and scored 41 points in the regional final win over Batavia.

Glenbard South
Coach: Wade Hardtke (15th season)
Last year's record: 25-5, 16-2 Upstate Eight Conference, first place

Top returners: Ayrton Temcio, sr., F, 6-3; Cade Hardtke, sr., G, 6-1; Trevor Burnett, jr., G, 5-8; Yazan Blan, sr., F, 6-1
Key newcomers: Louie Esposito, jr., G; D'Manual Payton, so., G; Armon Yarbrough, jr., G

Worth noting: The Raiders return two starters and two all-conference players in Temcio and Hardtke. Glenbard South has posted back-to-back 25-wins seasons, the best two-year stretch in 20 years. Cade Hardtke averaged 8 points, 5 rebounds and 4 assists last season, the assists being sixth all-time at Glenbard South for a single season. Hardtke needs 24 assists to climb into

the top 10 in career assists in program history. Temcio averaged 13 points and 7 rebounds as a junior. Burnett, who averaged 4 points and 3 rebounds, is a returner who got minutes as a sophomore. Blan, who averaged 3 points and 2 rebounds, also saw some action.

Glenbard West

Coach: Jason Opoka (second season)
Last year's record: 16-14, 3-9 West Suburban Silver

Top returners: Braden Huff, jr., F, 6-9; Caden Pierce, jr., G, 6-5; Paxton Warden, jr., G, 6-3; Aidan Murphy, sr., G, 6-6; Daniel Mulcare, sr., F, 6-6; Troy Glover II, sr., C, 6-8

Key newcomers: Ryan Renfro, jr., F, 6-7
Worth noting: Few teams have the potential and length across the board as the Hilltoppers. Huff, who averaged 15.7 points and 7.6 rebounds and shot 39% from the 3-point line as a sophomore, has offers from Wisconsin, Northwestern, Creighton and Virginia Tech. Pierce, a versatile guard who played the point out of necessity last year, is a stellar passer and strong rebounder for his position. He averaged 3.5 assists and 7 rebounds as a sophomore and has offers from UIC and Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Warden, an active defender, already has made big shots with the game on the line. Murphy, primarily Glenbard West's sixth man last year, has improved his ball handling, has a standing vertical of 35 inches and is committed to Carnegie Mellon. Mulcare, an inside presence who has improved his ball skills, is being recruited by several Division III schools. Renfro started on the sophomore team as a freshman, moved to Dallas last year, but now is back and adds a physical low post threat. Glover is a raw prospect who just started playing basketball two years ago.

Hinsdale Central

Coach: Nick Latorre (11th season)
Last year's record: 14-17, 7-5 West Suburban Silver, second place

Top returners: Charlie Sessa, sr., F, 6-5; Quinn Cain, sr., G, 6-3; Charlie Herbst, sr., G, 6-1

Key newcomers: Ben Oosterbaan, so., G, 6-4; Jake Quast, jr., G, 6-2; Matt Hughes, jr., G, 6-7

Worth noting: Latorre enters his 20th season as head coach. The Red Devils have big shoes to fill with the graduation of three-year varsity player Ryan Isaacson, who averaged 18.1 points last year. Sessa, who averaged 8 points and 4 rebounds as a junior, will play football at Columbia. Cain is committed to play at Tufts. The Red Devils took a hit in the fall when 6-foot-8 sophomore Matas Buzelis, one of the state's top prospects, transferred to Brewster Academy prep school in New Hampshire.

Hinsdale South

Coach: Brett Moore (eighth season)
Last year's record: 30-3, 11-1 West Suburban Gold, first place

Top returners: Bobby Durkin, Jr., G, 6-5; Garrett Bolte, Jr., F, 6-5; Trey King, Sr., G, 5-8; Maurice Houston, Sr., G, 5-9; Ahmad Tins, Sr., F, 6-4

Worth noting: The Hornets were one of the best stories in the area last year, winning a program record 30 games and a West Suburban Gold championship with four senior starters. A ton of experience graduated, but Durkin made 72.3 pointers as a sophomore and enters his third varsity season.

IC Catholic Prep

Coach: TJ Tyrrell (ninth season)
Last year's record: 17-16, 3-7 Metro Suburban

Top returners: Johnny Falduto, Sr., PG, 5-9; Danny Roberto, Sr., G, 5-9; Michael Hilgart, Sr., G/F, 6-1; Jake LaSpisa, Sr., G/F, 6-0; Antonio Richardson, Jr., F, 6-2; John Hilgart, Jr., F, 6-3; Augie Wassmann, Jr., G, 5-11

Key newcomers: Darius Ezell, Sr., G/F, 6-2; Justin Hall, Sr., F, 6-0; Liam Johnson, Jr., G, 6-0

Worth noting: Roberto, Falduto and Michael Hilgart, each with three years of varsity experience, lead a balanced squad. The Knights get a boost with the return of athletic senior Justin Hall, who missed last season with an injury. Tyrrell expects that Ezell, who had to sit out last season after transferring to IC Catholic, will make an immediate impact. Richardson and John Hilgart also are expected to receive big minutes.

Lemont

Coach: Rick Runaas (12th season)
Last year's record: 17-11, 8-5 South Suburban Blue

Top returners: Kyle Kostas, Sr., G, 6-2; Luke Logiurato, Sr., F, 6-2

Key newcomers: Nojukas Indrusaitis, Jr., G, 6-4; Matas Castillo, Sr., G, 5-10; Rokas Castillo, Sr., G, 5-10

Worth noting: The Indians will be young, with two sophomores and a freshman likely starting. Kostas averaged 16.3 points, 4.9 rebounds and 3.4 assists as a junior, Logiurato 5.3 points and 4.6 rebounds.

Lyons Township

Coach: Tom Sloan (13th season)
Last year's record: 21-9, 6-6 West Suburban Silver, fourth place

Top returners: Christian Desimone, Sr., G/F, 6-4; Cade Nelson, Sr., G, 5-11; Tommy Asleson, Sr., G/F, 6-2; Miles Kaminski, Sr., G, 6-0; Danny Clecko, Sr., G, 6-1; Emmett Spolar, Sr., F, 6-2

Key newcomer: Tavari Johnson, Jr., G, 6-0

Worth noting: The graduation of All-Area guard Grant Niego, who averaged 19.5 points last season, leaves a void. The Lions return three players with varsity experience in Desimone, Nelson and Asleson.

Montini

Coach: Adam DeMong (first season)
Last year's record: 9-22

Top returners: Jemari Moore, Sr., G, 6-3; Andrew Stokes, Jr., F, 6-4; AJ Ashford, Sr., G, 6-0; Antoine Harris, Sr., G, 6-0; Tyler Leeberg, Jr., G, 5-11

Worth noting: Knox College recruit Moore was honorable mention all-conference as a junior, averaging 13.1 points, 5.2 rebounds and 1.8 assists. Stokes, who DeMong said is a potential Division I player, averaged 12.6 points, 5.3 rebounds and 2.1 assists. Harris averaged 10.8 points and 3.7 rebounds, and Ashford averaged 6.3 points and 2.4 rebounds.

Morton

Coach: Tony Martinucci (21st season)
Last year's record: 23-9, 10-2 West Suburban Gold, second place

Top returners: Jesus Perez, Sr., G, 5-6; Joshua Dowdell, Sr., F, 6-1; Eliseo Gonzalez, Jr., G, 5-10; Matthew Rivera, Sr., G, 6-0; Alex Cortes, Sr., G, 5-8

Key newcomers: Dakari Durham, Sr., F, 6-5; Victor Garrett, Sr., F, 6-4; Aaron Miramontes, Sr., F, 6-4; Armoni Flowers, Jr., Anthony Martinez, Jr.; Darnell Usry, Jr.; Adrian Anderson, Sr.

Worth noting: The Mustangs come off a stellar season, their 23 wins the most since 2009. Perez, also a star soccer player, is electric with the ball in his hands. He averaged 13 points and close to 7 assists and 3 steals last season as the catalyst of Morton's high-octane offense. Gonzalez, memorably, scored 27 points with five 3-pointers in the second quarter of an overtime win over Downers Grove South. Durham, Garrett and Miramontes bring great size to work off Perez's drive-and-dish game. Dowdell was the Mustangs' sixth man last year.

Riverside-Brookfield

Coach: Mike Reingruber (fourth season)

Last year's record: 22-11, first place in the Metro Suburban

Top returners: John Paul Hanley, Jr., G/F, 6-3; Michael Bloodgood, Sr., G, 6-0; Deandre Harris, Sr., G/F, 6-3

Key newcomers: Joe Gilhooley, Jr., G/F, 6-4; Cory Baker, Jr., G, 6-0; Jeevonn McCottry, Jr., G, 6-2; Brady Vaia, Jr., G, 5-9; Dahmarion Murrell, Jr., G, 5-7; Julian Colon, Sr., G, 6-1; Will Gonzalez, Jr., G/F, 6-3; Eddie Melidis, Jr., G, 6-0

Worth noting: The Bulldogs' program has won three straight conference titles and 18 league championships in 19 years. R-B also has won two consecutive regional titles. Hanley, the only returning starter, averaged 7 points and 3 rebounds a game.

St. Francis

Coach: Erin Dwyer (sixth season)
Last year's record: 21-13, third in Metro Suburban Conference

Top returners: Sebastian Miller, Jr., G, 6-2; Brendan Yarusso, Jr., G, 6-1

Key newcomers: Jack Brennan, G;

Jack Locasio, F; Brian Zulauf, F; Nick Ciombor, F; Sean Killian, F; Nick Rowan, F; Colin Kiesler, G

Worth noting: The Spartans last year won their second regional title in three years and eighth in program history. Starting guards Miller and Yarusso both averaged 10 points as sophomores.

Timothy Christian

Coach: Scott Plaisier (fourth season)

Last year's record: 28-5, 12-0 Metro Suburban Conference, first place

Top returners: Josh Harris, Sr., G/F, 6-3; Ben VanderWal, Jr., G/F, 6-6; Ben Jones, Sr., G, 5-9; Trey Keizer, Jr., G/F, 6-3; Mattia Marinkovic, Sr., G/F, 6-2

Worth noting: The Trojans had a magical run last year, qualifying for state for the first time since 1980. They were unable to play in Peoria, as the state tournament was canceled because of the pandemic. Harris has led the Trojans in points the past two seasons. He averaged 14 points, 5 rebounds and 2 assists last year and is nearing 1,000 career points. VanderWal, who averaged 10 points and 9 rebounds, led the Trojans in rebounding last year. Jones is a good shooter and quick defender. Keizer is a good shooter with range. Marinkovic is a strong defender and passer.

Westmont

Coach: Craig Etheridge (22nd season)

Last year's record: 14-19, 5-7 Metro Suburban

Top returners: Qati Dalipi, Sr., P, 6-6; Tyler Jarvis, Sr., G, 6-2; Leo Requiron, Sr., G, 5-7

Key newcomers: Caleb Kleinz, Jr., G, 6-0; Nikola Bagdanovic, Jr., P, 6-6; Ryan Domin, Jr., P, 6-2; Joey Dooley, Sr., G, 5-10

Worth noting: The Sentinels have size and good shooters. Dalipi was an honorable mention all-conference pick last year.

Wheaton Academy

Coach: Steve Thonn (fourth season)

Last year's record: 22-11, second place in Metro Suburban

Top returners: Jack Oswald, Sr., F, 6-3; Bryce Swift, Sr., F, 6-3

Key newcomers: Sam Anderson, Sr., G, 6-0; Cole Andrews, Jr., F, 6-4; Josh Oswald, Jr., G, 6-0; Gabe Sams, Sr., G, 6-2

Worth noting: The Warriors are a young team with only two players that received playing time - Jack Oswald and Swift - back from last year's regional champion.

Wheaton North

Coach: Dave Brackmann (ninth season)

Last year's record: 16-15, 5-9 DuKane Conference, sixth place

Top returners: Connor Haake, Sr., G, 6-2; Sam Cascella, Sr., G, 5-6

Key newcomers: Robbie Bonga, Jr., F; Troy Hegranes, Sr., F; Tristan Mackay, Sr., F; Mark Forcucci, Jr., G; Hugh

Werner, Sr., F; Seth Kortenhoeven, Jr., G; Noah Froebe, Jr., G; Braden Pariente, Sr., G

Worth noting: The Falcons are shooting for their eighth straight winning season. Haake started at times last year, averaging 3.9 points. He shot 39% from the 3-point line and 47% from the field. Cascella also received starts and averaged 2.4 points while shooting 39% from the 3-point arc and 90% from the free-throw line.

Wheaton Warrenville South

Coach: Mike Healy

Last year's record: 20-12, 7-7 DuKane Conference

Top returners: Parker Brown, Sr., G, 6-0; Yonatan Algerwerash, Sr., G, 5-11; Tyler Fawcett, Jr., F, 6-5; Jaylen Brown, Sr., G, 5-11; Micah Kim, Sr., G, 5-10; Brandon Schnack, Sr., 6-4, F; Michael McCann, Sr., 6-4, F; Aidan McCoyd, Sr., 6-0, G

Key newcomers: Danny Healy, Jr.; Rourke Robinson, Jr.; Matt Sommerdyche, Jr.; Sam Michalak, Jr.

Worth noting: Brown, an all-conference pick last year, leads the Tigers' returners. Algerwerash and Fawcett were both honorable mention all-conference selections.

Willowbrook

Coach: Ryan Tzszkiewicz

Last year's record: 13-20, 4-8 West Suburban Gold, sixth place

Worth noting: It will be tough to replace Everett Stubblefield III, who graduated as Willowbrook's all-time leading scorer with 1,414 career points and averaged 21.2 points last year with 89 3-pointers. The Warriors also graduated second-leading scorer Sam Tumilty. Sean Paige, a 6-foot-7 forward, showed potential as a sophomore.

York

Coach: Mike Dunn (first season)

Last year's record: 28-5, 11-1 West Suburban Silver, first place

Top returners: Jeff Grace, Sr., G, 6-3; Nick Hesch, Jr., F, 6-5; Denton Rhode, Sr., F, 6-6; Luke Malaga, Sr., G, 6-0; Drew Kircher, Jr., G, 6-1

Key newcomer: Alex Sherman, Sr., G, 6-1

Worth noting: Dunn previously was the head coach at Yorkville for five seasons. Dunn is the great-grandson of Clarence D. East, York's first athletic director and basketball coach. The Dukes graduated Suburban Life Player of the Year Nate Shockey, but five key players return. York's 57 wins the past two years is the best two-year run in program history. Grace is a four-year varsity player and a returning all-conference selection who averaged 7.8 points and 4.1 rebounds. Hesch is a two-year varsity starter who averaged 6.2 points and 4.3 rebounds as a sophomore. Rhode, Malaga and Kircher all played important minutes off the bench last season and will now step into starting roles. Sherman will be a spark off the bench.

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Girls basketball teams ready for the hoopla

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The girls basketball season is underway. Here are previews of teams in the Suburban Life coverage area.

Benet

Coach: Joe Kilbride (seventh season)
Last year's record: 29-3, 7-0 East Suburban Catholic Conference, first place

Top returners: Kendall Moriarty, sr., G, 6-0; Morgan Demos, jr., P, 6-2; Lenee Beaumont, so., G, 5-11; Olympia Kokkines, jr., G, 5-10; Margaret Temple, jr., G, 5-10

Key newcomers: Emma Webb, jr., G, 5-10; Samantha Trimberger, so., P, 6-0; Emilia Sularski, jr., G, 5-10; Maggie Sularski, jr., G, 5-10

Worth noting: The Redwings graduated six seniors who are now playing college basketball from the team that won the ESCC for the third consecutive year and reached a sectional final before an upset loss to Bolingbrook. Suburban Life Player of the Year Kendall Moriarty is now at DePaul, and Brooke Schramek is at Wisconsin. Molly Sheehan graduated early and is at Valparaiso. Moriarty, a Nebraska recruit, and Demos, who has DI offers, are the lone returning starters. Kilbride is expecting big things from Beaumont, who has multiple DI offers and got significant time on varsity as a freshman.

Downers Grove North

Coach: Stephan Bolt (ninth season)
Last year's record: 28-7, 9-3 West Suburban Silver, tied for second place

Top returners: Ryan Wendt, jr., G, 5-10; Kate Gross, jr., G/F, 5-10; Ella Sebek, jr., G, 5-6; Eleanor Harris, jr., F, 6-0; Vanesa Linke, jr., F, 6-0; Maggie Fleming, so., G/F, 5-9

Key newcomer: Violet Mitchell, so., G, 5-8

Worth noting: The Trojans are coming off a banner season, a program-record 28 wins and postseason run to a sectional final. Several players return who saw significant minutes last year. Wendt averaged 7 points, 2 rebounds and 2 assists as a sophomore, and Kate Gross averaged 6 points and 4 rebounds and shot 36% from the 3-point line. Harris averaged 6 points and 5 rebounds, and Fleming averaged 4 points and 3 rebounds.

Downers Grove South

Coach: Lyndsie Long (eighth season)
Last year's record: 11-16, 8-5 West Suburban Gold, third place

Top returners: Meghan Stapleton, sr., G/F, 5-9; Jordin Grant, sr., G/F, 5-7; Ashley Lang, sr., F/C, 6-0

Key newcomers: Emily Petring, so., G; Allison Jarvis, fr., G

Worth noting: Stapleton, a Loras College commit, has played on varsity

5 girls basketball players to watch

Lauren Cohen, Glenbard South, senior, guard: Illinois State recruit was a key part of Raiders teams that made Class 3A state in 2018 and 2019. She stepped up her scoring last season. She's one of the best defenders in the area for a Glenbard South program that hangs its hat on how well it guards. Cohen, an All-Area pick last year, averaged 13.7 points, 4.5 rebounds and 3 assists.

Stephanie Dastbach, Willowbrook, senior, forward: Winona State recruit is a double-double machine. She averaged 14 points, 13 rebounds and 3 blocks as a junior. She was an honorable mention All-State pick by the Champaign News-Gazette. A highlight of her junior season came against Plainfield Central, when Dastbach scored 34 points and grabbed 22 rebounds.

Lauren Huber, Glenbard East, senior, guard: Huber, who after last season was on pace to become Glenbard East's all-time leading scorer, is closing in on 1,000 career

points. An honorable mention All-State and All-Area pick, she averaged 17.5 points, 7.8 rebounds and 3 steals last season for a Rams team that made a huge improvement to 18 wins.

Brenna Loftus, Riverside-Brookfield, senior, guard: Washington University commit is already R-B's all-time leading scorer with more than 2,000 career points, 1,000 of them last season. She established a single-game program record with 48 points last season against Eisenhower and scored 27 against KC Catholic Prep.

Kendall Moriarty, Benet, senior, guard: With standouts Kendall Holmes and Brooke Schramek graduated in a loaded 2020 senior class, it's Moriarty's time to lead. An athletic 6-foot Nebraska recruit and honorable mention All-State pick, Moriarty shot 45% from beyond the 3-point line, 50% from inside the arc and 72% from the free-throw line last year. She's one of two returning starters for the Redwings.

season, both are returning starters. Hansen is a two-year varsity player.

Glenbard East

Coach: Nicole Miller (third season)
Last year's record: 18-14, 12-6 Upstate Eight Conference

Top returners: Lauren Huber, sr., G, 5-9; Emily Ryan, sr., F, 5-11; Kendall Crackel, sr., G, 5-8; Katie Mulatz, sr., G, 5-5; Denise Navar, sr., F, 6-2; Brooke Hernandez, sr., G, 5-8; Madison Ziemer, sr., G, 5-7; Aubrey Wendorff, sr., F, 6-2

Key newcomers: Maddie Weltin, sr., F, 5-10; Catey Carney, fr., G, 5-7; Ciara Johnson, fr., G, 5-7

Worth noting: The Rams made a remarkable improvement last year, going from 8-25 to 18-14 – the program's most wins since the 2003-04 season and two wins shy of the program record. Huber has been the Rams' star point guard for three seasons. The honorable mention All-Stater and All-Area guard averaged 17.5 points, 7.8 rebounds and 3 assists as a junior and is 76 points away from 1,000 for her career. Ryan's emergence last season took the pressure off Huber. Ryan, a two-year starter, averaged 9 points and 8 rebounds for a team that won eight of its last 11 regular-season games. Crackel and Mulatz both are two-year varsity starters. Crackel is a top defender.

Glenbard South

Coach: Morgan Eufrazio (sixth season)
Last year's record: 23-6, 13-3 Upstate Eight Conference, second place

Top returners: Lauren Cohen, sr., G, 5-9; Alex Wilharm, sr., F, 5-10; Iman Sellars, sr., F, 5-8; Gianna Coluzzi, jr., F, 5-8

Key newcomer: Sophia Alcala, fr., 5-9

Worth noting: The Raiders have become a model of consistency, topping 20 wins in four straight seasons and seven in the past eight years. Eufrazio is 12-34 in her first five seasons. All-Area guard Cohen, an Illinois State recruit averaged 13.7 points, 4.5 rebounds and 3 assists as a junior and is an exceptional defender. Wilharm averaged 3.1 points and 3.7 rebounds last year. Sellars 3.6 points and 3.8 rebounds and Coluzzi 2.9 points and 4.5 rebounds.

Glenbard West

Coach: Kristi Faulkner (fourth season)

Last year's record: 19-11, 8-4 West Suburban Silver

Top returners: Renee Seaney, sr., G, 5-9; Emmie Roberts, jr., G, 5-3; Kendall Walch, jr., G/F, 5-10; Sophia Brown, so., G, 5-8; Mackenzie Cater, so., G/F, 5-10

Key newcomers: Kennedy Brandt, jr., G/F; Anastasia Adrianopoulos, so., G/F; Tess Farnum, jr., G; Emily Miranda, jr., G; Allie Murphy, fr., G; Sydney Nimakont, fr., G; Carina Cudzilo, fr., F

Worth noting: The graduations of Taylor Huff, now at New York University, and Maggie Stutzelberg, who graduated early to enroll early at Western Michigan, leaves a huge void. Huff and Stutzelberg did the lion's share of Glenbard West's scoring last year, combining for 30.3 points and 12.6 rebounds per game. Roberts started most of last season. Seaney is a three-year varsity player.

Hinsdale Central

Coach: Karen Persinger (fourth season)

Last year's record: 10-18, 4-8 West Suburban Silver, fifth place

Top returners: Maria Rivera, sr., P, 5-9; Maddie Ward, sr., G, 5-3; Eleanor Monyek, jr., F, 5-11; Lanie Randle, jr., G, 5-6; Nina Sarros, jr., F, 5-11; Tessa Howe, jr., G, 5-6; Angie Conley, so., G, 5-3; Amelia McLaughlin, so., G, 5-9

Worth noting: The core of last year's team returns and looks to build on the progress made at the end of last season, as the Red Devils won four of their last six games. Leading scorer Monyek averaged 10.7 points. Leading rebounder Sarros averaged 6.8 boards.

Hinsdale South

Coach: Scott Tanaka (third season)
Last year's record: 4-20, 2-10 West Suburban Gold, seventh place

Top returners: Mary Lavorato, sr., G/F, 5-6; Ellie Urbanski, sr., F, 5-6

Key newcomers: Madeline Gamboa, jr.; Jenny Pantoni, jr.; Molly Savage, jr.; Gabby Baranaukas, jr.; Natalia Vasilevski, jr.; Makena Camden, so.; Amelia Lavorato, fr.; Amerie Flowers, fr.

Worth noting: The Hornets struggled last season with injuries and sickness. Mary Lavorato and Urbanski both are three-year returning varsity players.

man Calli Kenny (above right - No. 35) scored 14 points in the victory over Glenbard West. She connected on all six of her attempts from the field; those six attempts included a pair of 3-point shots. Kenny scored nine points in Friday's win over Addison Trail and provided 16 points in Saturday's win over Proviso West. Kenny and another freshman—Elle Bruschuk (above left - No. 33)—are already major contributors to the varsity lineup. Bruschuk scored 10 points and grabbed seven rebounds in the Warriors' win over Glenbard West. "They are both playing heavy minutes," said Willowbrook coach Terry Harrell of the two freshmen. "The future is extremely bright for both of them."

Trail 22-8 in the third quarter to extend its lead to 53-24.

Sullivan, who made four 3-point shots against the Blazers, led the Warriors' scoring attack with 22 points. Kenny finished with nine

ence's 14 teams are planning to conclude the season with a tournament.

"We're looking forward to the said Harrell of the upcoming conference event. "The girls have something to play for."

IC Catholic Prep

Coach: Todd Fisher (second season)
Last year's record: 19-13, 9-3 Metro Suburban, second place

Top returners: Claire Wagner, jr., F, 5-11; Alia Johnson, sr., F, 5-10; Gia Gaudio, sr., F, 5-9

Key newcomers: Frances Cook, jr.; Caterina Calabria, jr.; Lilliana LoCascio, jr.; Vincenza LoCascio, jr.

Worth noting: The Knights return their three leading scorers - Wagner, Johnson and Gaudio - from a team that reached a Class 2A regional final. Wagner, an all-conference selection last year, averaged 10.9 points, 9.2 rebounds and 2.3 steals. Johnson, also an all-conference pick, averaged 11.1 points, 6.9 rebounds and 3.3 steals. Gaudio averaged 7.9 points and 4.5 rebounds.

Lemont

Coach: Tracy Rainey (fifth season)
Last year's record: 13-13, 8-5 South Suburban Conference

Top returners: Bella Kedryna, so., G, 5-9; Kaya Stropus, jr., G, 5-8; Nora Grubisic, sr., F, 5-9; Maya Abdo, sr., G, 5-8; Sami Hinkle, jr., G, 5-10

Key newcomers: Jackie Wencil, jr., G, 5-8; Nina Pavlica, jr., G, 5-9; Peyton Kelly, jr., G, 5-8; Emmy Horn, jr., G/F, 5-9; Alyssa Cronski, jr., G, 5-6; Brooke Panush, so., F, 5-10; Jess Beasley, so., F, 5-9

Worth noting: Kedryna was Lemont's leading scorer as a freshman. She averaged 12.2 points. Stropus averaged 6.2 points and Grubisic 4.5 points.

Lyons Township

Coach: Meghan Hutchens (eighth season)

Last year's record: 19-10, 9-3 West Suburban Silver, tied for second

Top returners: Lindsey Hahn, sr., G, 5-8; Elli Kosanovich, sr., G, 5-7; Hailey Markworth, jr., G, 5-10

Key newcomers: Olivia Mezan, jr., G, 5-7

Worth noting: Winona State recruit Hahn leads six seniors returning from a team that reached a regional final last year. Hahn made 68 3-pointers at a 39.3% clip as a junior. Kosanovich, scrappy and the Lions' toughest defender, shot 35% from the 3-point line last year. Hutchens called Markworth a rising star. Mezan, a transfer from Montini who came off the bench for the Lady Broncos' state team last year, brings another element to the Lions' offense with her explosiveness to the basket and as a 3-point threat.

Montini

Coach: Shannon Herold Spanos (first season)

Last year's record: 33-5, 5-0 GCAC Conference, first place

Top returners: Shannon Blacher, so., G, 5-9; Sawyer White, jr., G, 5-8; Samantha Mogilinski, jr., G, 5-8

Key newcomers: Alyssa Epps, fr., F, 5-9; Victoria Matulevicius, fr., G, 5-9; Riley White, fr., G, 5-7; Maren Hoovel, so., G, 5-7

Worth noting: Things will look a lot different in Lombard this year, with Jason Nichols moving on to Morton College after winning four state titles and 10 state trophies in 17 seasons. The Lady Broncos graduated just two seniors off the team that took third place in Class 3A last year, but a number of talented underclassmen transferred to public schools. It leaves Montini with zero returning starters for first-year coach Spanos, a 1999 Montini graduate who previously was the sophomore coach at Glenbard West. Blacher and Sawyer White are the lone returners with varsity experience. Hoovel, a transfer from Glenbard West, will see significant floor time at guard.

Morton

Coach: Kristeen Anthonson (second season)

Last year's record: 7-21, 4-8 West Suburban Gold, fifth place

Top returner: Laura Valdez, sr., PG, 5-4

Key newcomers: Alondra Reyes, so., G; Saniyah Richardson, jr., G

Worth noting: The Mustangs, who return just one starter, are young with eight juniors and three sophomores. Valdez, who averaged 7 points and 4.2 assists last year, is the program's leader. Reyes and Richardson both are transfers who could make an impact.

Nazareth

Coach: Ed Stritzel (fifth season)

Last year's record: 21-13, 3-4 East Suburban Catholic Conference, tied for fourth place

Top returners: Caroline Workman, jr., F, 5-11; Grace Carstensen, so., G, 5-8; Mackenzie Hylund, so., F, 5-11; Melisa Hadzic, so., G/F, 5-11; Sarah Brongiel, sr., F, 5-9

Key newcomers: Amalia Dray, fr., G, 5-8; Dannie Scully, fr., F, 6-0; Olivia Austin, fr., F, 6-0; Mary Bridget Wilson, fr., PG

Worth noting: The Roadrunners won 21 games and a regional title last year in their first season in Class 4A, a nifty accomplishment given injuries and youth. Workman missed all of last season with a torn labrum in her hip and should provide scoring and defense. Carstensen, a strong shooter, started every game for Nazareth as a freshman, and Hylund also gained experience as a freshman. Hadzic hit the game-winner in last year's regional final win over Lyons. Added to that group is a freshman class that Stritzel believes is the best and deepest in the Chicago area.

Riverside-Brookfield

Coach: Dallas Till (10th season)

Last year's record: 30-4, 12-0 Metro Suburban Blue, first place

Top returner: Brenna Loftus, sr., F, 5-8

Worth noting: Loftus, committed to Washington University, is already R-B's all-time leading scorer with more than 2,000 points for her career. She scored over 1,000 points last year.

St. Francis

Coach: Jeff Gerdeman (first season)

Last year's record: 17-15, 9-4 Metro Suburban, fifth place

Top returners: Kate Chaparro, sr., PG, 5-4; Maggie Culver, sr., SG, 5-7; Katie Anne De Craene, jr., F, 5-10

Key newcomers: Lauren Bruce, jr., G/F, 5-7; Katherine Lilly, so., F, 5-10; Dolly Smith, fr., G, 5-5

Worth noting: The Spartans return three starters and have a deeper bench, which should allow them to play a more up-tempo style. Chaparro, a four-year varsity player, averaged 11 points and led the team in steals and assists last year. Culver, also an all-conference pick, averaged 14 points and led St. Francis in rebounding.

Timothy Christian

Coach: Jill Groenewold (second season)

Last year's record: 23-7, 12-2 Metro Suburban Conference Red

Top returners: Hannah Schuringa, sr., F, 6-0; Sureya Alex, sr., G, 5-4; Sarah Carstensen, sr., F, 6-0; Grace Roland, so., C, 6-2; Maddie Drye, so., G, 5-8; Christina Swiech, sr., F, 5-10; Greta Hoogstra, sr., C, 6-2

Worth noting: The Trojans return their entire starting lineup, centered around Schuringa, the MVP of the Metro Suburban Red last year who averaged 16.7 points, 6 rebounds and 2 steals and became the fifth Timothy Christian player to reach 1,000 career points. Carstensen was a finalist in the 3-point shootout at state.

Westmont

Coach: Ryan Pattison (first season)

Last year's record: 2-27

Top returners: Diella Dalipi, so., F; Jordan Karesh, jr.

Key newcomers: Aleksa Sekularac, sr., G

Worth noting: Westmont will be young with four freshmen and two sophomores playing for a varsity team that returns two starters. Sekularac is back after missing all of last season with an injury.

Wheaton North

Coach: Dave Eaton (17th season)

Last year's record: 23-7, 10-4 DuKane Conference, second place

Top returners: Claire Hyde, jr., G, 5-5; Julia Simon, sr., G, 5-6; Ellie Hubbard, sr., G, 5-9; Caroline Gaither, jr., G, 5-9; Ella Kocher, sr., G, 5-10; Courtney Craig, sr., F, 5-10; Eden Pearson, so., G, 5-6; Lindsey Shanahan, jr.; Kayla Shebar, sr., G, 5-2; Allie Whitmer, jr., G, 5-9

Worth noting: The Falcons bring back everybody from a team that took second place in the DuKane Conference and reached a sectional semifinal. Hyde, entering her third varsity season, is one of the area's best point guards. She averaged a team-high 15 points, made 60 3-pointers and led the Falcons in minutes played as a sophomore. Simon averaged nearly 5 steals a game and led Wheaton North in assists.

Wheaton Warrenville South

Coach: Rob Kroehnke (20th season)

Last year's record: 6-21, 2-12 DuKane Conference

Top returners: Lily Huntzinger, jr., G, 5-10; Mia McCoyd, sr., G, 5-8; Katie Kroehnke, sr., G/F, 5-10

Worth noting: WW South has won 20 or more games 11 times in Kroehnke's 19 seasons, with nine regional titles. Huntzinger was an all-DuKane Conference pick last year, averaging 9 points. Also back is McCoyd, who averaged 6 points, and Kroehnke, who averaged 4 points.

Willowbrook

Coach: Terry Harrell (12th season)

Last year's record: 15-13, 9-3 West Suburban Gold, second place

Top returners: Stephanie Dasbach, sr., F, 6-1; Gracie Tumilty, sr., G, 5-6

Key newcomers: Tavis Thornton, sr., F, 6-1; Sophie Sullivan, jr., G, 5-7; Calli Kenny, fr., G, 5-9

Worth noting: The Warriors return leading scorer and rebounder Dasbach, a Winona State recruit who averaged 14 points and 13 rebounds as a junior and is a tremendous rebounder. She'll be helped out in the paint by Thornton, a transfer from Montini and Eastern Illinois recruit who led the Lady Broncos in rebounding. Also coming aboard from Montini is All-Area guard Sullivan, who was third on the Lady Broncos in scoring and led them in 3-point shooting. Tumilty led the Warriors in assists as an all-conference sophomore and is back after missing last season with a knee injury. Spada, a returning starter, is a dependable shooter.

York

Coach: Brandon Collings (fourth season)

Last year's record: 26-8, 10-2 West Suburban Silver, first place

Top returners: Amaya Rufus, sr., G, 5-9; Sydney Molis, sr., G/F, 6-0; Kaitlyn Khome, sr., G/F, 6-0; Megan Juneman, sr., F, 6-0; Emma Kluth, sr., G, 5-3; Sophie Schoonveld, sr., G, 5-8

Key newcomers: Mariann Blass, so., G, 5-8; Lizzy Baldrige, so., G, 5-9

Worth noting: Four starters - Khome, Juneman, Molis and Rufus - return from a Dukes team that won the program's first regional championship since 2009 and had York's most wins since 2003. All-Area forward Khome was third on York in scoring at 7.2 points per game and averaged a team-high 5.8 rebounds. She's a strong, athletic player who can dominate down low, step out and hit the open shot and attack the basket. Rufus, who recently signed with Indiana University-South Bend, led York in assists last year. She is perhaps the area's best on-ball defender. Molis averaged 7.8 points last year, second on the Dukes. Juneman got a late start to last season because of a bad ankle but had a great second half as a dominant low-post force, averaging 7.2 points and 4.5 rebounds.

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Battle for the ball

York's Lizzie Baldrige (left) and Willowbrook's Sophie Sullivan battle for possession of the ball Feb. 12 at York Community High School in Elmhurst. **Story: Page 29.**

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• ROBBERIES

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magazine, walked behind the counter and told the clerk to open two cash registers, which she did.

Williams allegedly took about \$1,033 from the registers. He ordered the clerk to lay on the ground, and he secured her hands behind her with a zip tie he brought with him. He then fled the store.

During the investigation, police learned a similar robbery took place Dec. 19 at a 7-Eleven at 28651 Lloyd Ave. in Lombard. In that incident, a man, later identified as Williams, allegedly entered the store at 3:05 a.m., went behind the sales counter and told the clerk "do what you're told and you won't get hurt" as he pulled out a gun with an extended magazine.

Williams allegedly demanded access to two cash registers and took about \$500 from the registers. He ordered the clerk to lay on his stomach, at which time Williams struck the clerk two times in the shoulder area before tying his arms behind his back. Williams then fled the store with the cash and 55 packs of cigarettes, according to the release.

The investigation into the Wood Dale incident revealed a similar robbery in Addison that took place Jan. 28. About 10 p.m., a man with dreadlocks, later identified as Wil-

liams, allegedly entered the Speedway gas station at 701 E. Lake St., poured himself a cup of coffee and approached the front counter. He allegedly walked behind the counter, displayed a gun and told the clerk to open the register. As the clerk attempted to open the register, Williams allegedly shoved the gun into her waist and told her "Do you want to die? Open the drawer and give me all the money."

After the clerk opened the register and gave Williams the money, he ordered her to open the safe. When the clerk told Williams she could not, he allegedly again put the gun to her waist and asked her multiple times if she wanted to die. Williams allegedly ordered the clerk to put cigarettes into a bag and then fled the store.

On Feb. 9, a search warrant executed at Williams' residence yielded a gun with an extended magazine, which appeared to be the same weapon used in the robberies, ammunition, zip ties, a dreadlock wig and clothing and shoes believed to be worn by the offender in the robberies.

"It is alleged that Mr. Williams' two-month violent crime spree terrorized DuPage County residents and businesses as he went from town to town committing armed robberies," DuPage County State's Attorney Robert Berlin said in the release. "The number of resources dedicated to the apprehension of Mr. Williams sends the message that we will use every tool at our disposal to

hold those who commit violent crimes, as alleged in this case, responsible for their actions. Mr. Williams' alleged crime spree was put to an end; however, thanks to the outstanding, cooperative efforts of the DuPage County Sheriff's Office; the Addison, Wood Dale, Bensenville, Elmhurst and Schiller Park police departments; the DuPage County Metropolitan Emergency Response and Investigation Team; and the DuPage County Metropolitan Enforcement Group."

"I am extremely proud of the detectives handling this case," Wood Dale Deputy Chief of Police William Frese said in the release. "From the date that this occurred to the day of the arrest they worked continuously, gathering enough evidence to put an end to Mr. Williams' alleged crimes throughout the western suburbs. I also cannot express the gratitude that we have for all of the other agencies involved in this case from beginning to end. Without the resources provided, we would not have come to such a quick resolution in this case."

"I would like to thank all the law enforcement agencies involved in this case, particularly the State's Attorney's Office," Addison Chief of Police Bill Hayden said in the release. "DuPage County remains one of the safe places to live in the country because their efforts to protect our citizens and administering a full measure of justice to those who would prey upon society

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Amaya Rufus takes center stage late for York

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ELMHURST – Sophie Sullivan delivered a smashing debut in her first game playing for Willowbrook on Feb. 12.

York sophomore guard Mariann Blass nearly matched Sullivan's production in her varsity debut.

But it was York senior guard Amaya Rufus who stole the spotlight from the two dueling point guards. After not scoring a point for the first 31-plus minutes, mainly because of early foul trouble, Rufus scored the game-winning points on a hard drive to the basket and free throw after being fouled to lift York to a 51-50 victory.

Coming out of a timeout, Rufus drove hard to her right, laying the ball off the glass over two defenders and crashing to the floor with 12.8 seconds left for the decisive points.

Rufus, an Indiana University South Bend recruit, picked a good time to score her first basket after missing her first three shots. Blass led the Dukes (1-0) with 16 points, hitting two 3-pointers.

"It was tough, and I was feeling the rut after getting two fouls early and just couldn't really do anything,"



York's Amaya Rufus dribbles against Willowbrook's Sophie Sullivan on Feb. 12 in Elmhurst.

Rufus said. "We ran a play for Mariann in the corner because she was hitting them, but I saw the open lane and took it."

"I kind of threw it up and didn't even know it went in. It's really important to get a win against a really good team."

Sullivan and senior forward Tarris Thornton, who scored 10 points, both transferred from Montini. Sullivan had a game to remember, hitting six 3-pointers – most of them via the no-dribble, standstill variety – for a game-high 25 points

to go with six rebounds and three steals.

"Sophie had a great night shooting, and she shoots like that if you give her space," Willowbrook coach Terry Harrell said. "Our problem was we looked like we had just

eight practices."

Sullivan said the Warriors can learn from the emotional and close loss.

She's yet to attend a class inside her new school because Willowbrook is in remote learning.

"It was really fun, and I'm excited to be with these girls," Sullivan said.

The back-and-forth game had wild momentum swings. The Dukes slowly sliced a seven-point deficit behind a key 3-pointer from Lizzie Baldrige at the third-quarter buzzer.

York coach Brandon Collings said he was happy with his team's comeback effort against an experienced and talented Willowbrook team that has at least three college-bound players.

"It's a special game for me because I know how talented they are and we are," Collings said. "Amaya made a really big shot. Mariann really played well. She's improved so much from last year. She's worked hard getting into that scorer's mentality. She's put in a lot of time into her game, and it showed. She's one of the best players in the area that people have no clue about because she didn't play on varsity last year."

GIRLS BASKETBALL NOTES

Glenbard East senior Lauren Huber's milestone night emotional

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Lauren Huber's milestone game was an emotional night for the people who were there to celebrate her achievement.

It also was emotional because of one person who could not be there.

When Huber, Glenbard East's senior guard, raced in for a layup during the Feb. 11 win over Larkin, she tallied her 1,000th career point and promptly was mobbed by teammates under the basket and cheered by the limited fans in attendance.

"It really made things extra special, knowing that it maybe could not have happened this season," Huber said. "Getting to experience that on our home floor, we had 50 spectators able to come,

it was nice to have a crowd. COVID has kind of brought things in perspective. We can always control the attitude and energy we bring into things."

The past year certainly has brought Huber perspective.

In September, she lost one of her biggest fans, her grandmother Barbara Hardtke, who died from heart complications. Hardtke, mother of Glenbard South boys basketball coach Wade Hardtke, went to all of Huber's games. When Glenbard East would play Glenbard South, she'd wear red, a mutual school color. After Glenbard East's first game this season, Rams coach Nicole Miller gave Huber a framed portrait of four pictures of Hardtke watching Huber's games. Rams coaches and teammates came to Hardtke's wake to offer

Huber support.

"It really meant a lot to know you have those girls by your side," Huber said. "It really reinforces that they're there for you on the court and off. It's much more than just a game."

Sports mean a great deal to Huber. Even during a pandemic, Huber is determined to maximize her opportunities in her last year in high school.

She plans to play volleyball in the spring and run track after that, aiming for the school record in the 800 meters. With volleyball postponed last fall, Huber tried tennis. She's even joined Glenbard East's bowling team, all while playing at a high level on the basketball court.

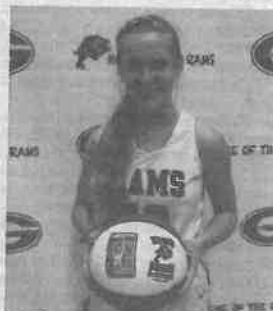


Photo provided
Glenbard East senior Lauren Huber reached 1,000 career points Feb. 11.

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