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Montini Catholic crowns Prom King and Queen

Congratulations to seniors Patrick O'Connor and Lexi Ream who were crowned Montini Catholic's Class of 2021 Prom King and Queen on Saturday, May 1. The event, themed - A Night at the Carnival - featured carnival style games, karaoke and food trucks and was held this year in the Field House. King O'Connor and Queen Ream are center with their court (from left) - Francesca Gabriel, Jack Sebben, Mia Chlada, Cooper Petersen, Allvia Glanataslo, Antoine Harris and Rosalie Moraga. (Not pictured: Jalen McBride).

District 88 earns two state-level INSPRA Distinguished Service Awards

Award of Merit given in memory of Dr. Scott Helton

On Friday, May 21, District 88 will be honored with two Distinguished Service Awards from the Illinois Chapter of the National School Public Relations Association (INSPRA). The statewide program recognizes public education advocates for their support of local schools and districts. The late District 88 Superinten-

dent Dr. Scott Helton, who passed away on Dec. 10, 2020, will be honored in memoriam with an Award of Merit in the Administrator category. Dr. Helton had more than 33 years of experience in education and served in a variety of capacities, including as Principal of Addison Trail for 11 years and as Superintendent of Dis-

trict 88 since 2012. He was incredibly ingrained in the District 88 community and helped build positive futures for countless students through his contributions to public education and coaching football, wrestling and track.

More about Dr. Scott Helton
The following was written into the

recommendation that the Award of Merit be presented posthumously to Dr. Scott Helton:

When envisioning the characteristics that comprise an ideal school district superintendent, the following attributes come to mind: Someone who will advocate for all students - even when what's right might not be

what's popular; someone who connects with stakeholders; and someone who champions moving education and student success forward.

DuPage High School District 88 Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton, who passed away on Dec. 10, 2020,

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Addison Trail presents President's Award for Educational Excellence

Fifty-four Addison Trail senior students were recently named as recipients of the President's Award for Educational Excellence. The school hosted a virtual event on May 4 to recognize the honorees, which included: Andrea Alexandra Acosta, Israr Ahmed, Khayr Ahmed, Zain Ghazi Ahmed, Fawzan Ali, Gerardo

Alvidrez, Isabel Marie Aramburu, Elizabeth Ann Bernar, Juliza Anaïs Bonilla, Justine Audrey Buendia Bugante, Tiffany Denise Cuevas, Ashley Maria Dela Cruz, Easton Dietz, Emma Diorio, Luis Erazo, Juan Escobedo, Ryan Ficarra, Ray Fischer, Nalysa Garcia, Angel Hernandez, Yaquelin Hernandez, Rabia Khan,

Hamza B. Kittaneh, Jessica Michelle Krause, Ezekiel Lopez, Sameer Maheed, Peter Dimitrios Markopoulos, Gabriela Reece Mendoza, Lesley Montes Hernandez, Cristal Moreno Aguilar, Britney Nakhammouane, Iman Afya Naseeruddin, Yusra Nida Naseeruddin, Nancy Rose Obrzut, Esheida Olasoaga, Kamila Pajer-

ski, Kathan Parikh, Jina K Patel, Tirth Patel, Nell Pawlowski, Leslie Pelaez, Tiffany Perez, Natalia Poniatowski, Patrick Ptasznik, Michelina Pulice, Mahid Qaiser, Syed Quadri, Anna Ruffolo, Huda Siddiqui, Andrea Simko, Emily Stevenson, Alexis Theodore, Christine E. Thomas, Sara Marie Walis.

Sen. Cullerton honors Illinois State Scholars from Addison

State Sen. Tom Cullerton (D-Villa Park) recently honored 31 high school students from Addison

Trail High School who were named 2021-22 Illinois State Scholars by the Illinois Student Assistance

Commission.

Illinois State Scholar winners rank in approximately the top 10% of the state's high school seniors from 676 high schools in all 102 counties.

"I want to congratulate all the hard-working students who are recognized as Illinois State Scholars this year," Cullerton said. "After such a difficult and unprecedented year, these students really went above and beyond to achieve this recognition."

Recipients of the award will receive a congratulatory letter from ISAC, and a Certificate of

Achievement. State Scholars will also receive a digital badge issued by ISAC that can be displayed on online profiles, exhibited on social media, and shared with prospective colleges and employers.

"As students start applying to colleges, this recognition will help their applications stand out and might even assist them in securing financial aid," Cullerton said. "The hard work and recognition does not go unnoticed. I encourage the soon-to-be incoming class of juniors to look up to these high achievers and strive for success, too."

Students named 'State Scholars'

The Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) recently announced the 2021-22 State Scholars, and 31 Addison Trail students have earned that honor. The school hosted a virtual event on May 3 to recognize the honorees, which included the following: Israr Ahmed, Khayr Ahmed, Zain Ahmed, Fawzan Ali, Gerardo Alvidrez, Elizabeth Bernar, Juliza Bonilla, Easton Dietz, Ryan

Ficarra, Ray Fischer, Nalysa Garcia, Thomas Housley, Mia Johnson, Rabia Khan, Hamza Kittaneh, Jessica Krause, Ezekiel Lopez, Sameer Maheed, Peter Markopoulos, Gabriela Mendoza, Cristal Moreno Aguilar, Britney Nakhammouane, Katharine Obrien, Jina Patel, Tirth Patel, Patrick Ptasznik, Anna Ruffolo, Huda Siddiqui, Emily Stevenson, Christine Thomas, Sara Walis.

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possessed all of these qualities — and more. Dr. Helton had more than 33 years of experience in education and served in a variety of capacities, including as Principal of Addison Trail High School for 11 years and as Superintendent of District 88 since 2012. He was incredibly ingrained in the District 88 community and helped build positive futures for countless students through his contributions to public education and coaching football, wrestling and track.

"Dr. Helton had a passion for ensuring all students had access to the most rigorous curriculum and the supports they needed to succeed," said Dr. Jean Barbanente, District 88 Interim Superintendent. "He continued to implement more Advanced Placement (AP) and dual-credit courses, as well as workplace experiences, to provide valuable opportunities for all students."

Dr. Helton was laser focused on ensuring the district connected with and cared for each child and family in the district. He took the time and went above and beyond to build trust and genuine relationships with students, staff, parents and community members — regardless of their language and cultural background. Leading a school district with student demographics of nearly 50-percent Hispanic and more than 45-percent low income can be overwhelming and intimidating, but Dr. Helton met this challenge head on. He implemented ongoing equity work and culturally responsive and trauma-informed teaching and shared that work at the local, state and national levels.

"This work was natural for Dr. Helton," said Dr. Barbanente. "He loved kids and had a heart for those who were underprivileged or had suffered hardships. He specialized in

valuing each student and his or her unique background. He was famous for telling their stories. He bragged about the students who were the first in their family to go to college, how many received scholarships, how many AP credits they earned, how many went off to the Ivy League, how many were state champion athletes and musicians and the challenges they overcame to get there."

Becky Serna, an alumna of Addison Trail (class of 2012), knows firsthand the dedication and commitment Dr. Helton had in ensuring his students' success. Serna is now a Registered Nurse at Penn Medicine, University of Pennsylvania Health System.

"My parents didn't attend high school and primarily speak Spanish, so they were unfamiliar with the school structure," Serna said. "Dr. Helton made significant efforts to ensure my parents were aware of the resources available and that our needs were being met. He really was a lifelong educator and an inspiration. I'm confident his legacy will live on through the lives of the students he has touched — including mine."

"Dr. Helton was a true agent of change," said Eric Veal Jr., a junior at District 88's Willowbrook High School, who serves on the Illinois State Board of Education Student Advisory Council and is part of District 88's Youth Equity Stewardship (YES!) series. "Many students around the country do not get the chance to say they worked with their superintendent, but Dr. Helton made it a priority to change that. He made everyone feel like they had a seat at the table, and they are valued in that conversation. People like Dr. Helton were put on this planet to light up the world."

Award given to Food Distribution Program

The Community Food Distribution Program will receive an Award of Merit in the Team category. Through that program, District 88

partnered with Addison School District 4, School District 45, Salt Creek School District 48, Arbor Management, Chartwells and Cottage Hill Operating Company to offer free meals at various locations in Addison and Villa Park for all residents up to the age of 18. As a result of staff members, administrators and community members stepping up to prepare and distribute the food items, 385,952 meals were provided.

The award was presented based on the following nomination:

"In March 2020, Illinois public school districts received unprecedented news — Illinois Gov. JB Pritzker issued a mandate to transition to an online E-learning environment as a result of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic.

"As schools worked to implement a virtual learning environment, another concern became abundantly clear — how were we going to provide meals to our students in a remote setting? At DuPage High School District 88, we knew we needed to make sure families received the necessary nutrition — and we immediately got to work. We partnered with Addison School District 4, School District 45, Salt Creek School District 48, Arbor Management, Chartwells and Cottage Hill Operating Company to provide a community food-distribution program. From March 17 to Aug. 18, we offered free meals at various locations in Addison and Villa Park for all residents up to the age of 18.

Arbor Management and Chartwells supplied a variety of breakfast and lunch items (which included frozen vegetables, frozen pizzas, breakfast bars, snacks, milk and more).

Cottage Hill Operating Company transported the items to and from District 88's two high schools (Addison Trail and Willowbrook).

Addison School District 4, School District 45, Salt Creek School District 48 and District 88 served as pickup locations.

"It was a tremendous undertaking that involved hundreds of volunteers.

As a result of the Herculean efforts of staff members, administrators and community members stepping up to prepare and distribute the food items, we provided 385,952 meals. This team collaboration is an example of how these organizations connect with and care for students and families.

"One of those volunteers was Willowbrook alumna Emma Jessen, class of 2020.

"When I heard about this program, I reached out right away to see how I could help," Jessen said. "I wanted to give back to the community that has supported and done so much for me."

"It was amazing to watch as the volunteers came together to make the meals, organize the boxes, load and unload the buses and hand out the items to the community.

"As we faced the challenges of dealing with a pandemic, this event showed the pride and spirit of our communities," said Dr. Jean Barbanente, District 88 Interim Superintendent. "It was incredible to see so many people take time out of their lives during a crisis to help with this event each week."

"The distributions also provided an opportunity to connect with community members to check in and find out what else they needed, and the team was then able to hand out information about available resources. The program showcased the importance and strength of establishing intergovernmental relationships. Because of the partnerships developed through the years among members of this team, we were able to give out Easter bags from the local park district, as well as COVID-19 kits from the village.

"Within a matter of a few days, we were able to develop and implement a communitywide program to feed our youth," said Ed Hoster, District 88 Chief Financial Officer. "It was truly a team effort that was successful because of all involved."



Dr. Scott Helton

Addison Trail principal recommended for D88 Assistant Superintendent of HR

During the May 10 District 88 Board of Education meeting, the District 88 administration will recommend the Board appoint Addison Trail Principal Michael Bolden as the district's new Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, effective July 1, 2021.



Michael Bolden

Bolden has served as the ninth principal of Addison Trail since 2014 and has played a valuable role in expanding rigorous college and career opportunities for students; coordinating safety and equity initiatives for the benefit of Addison Trail students, families and community members;

and overseeing various areas of personnel.

He was chosen based on the recommendation of District 88 Superintendent Dr. Jean Barbanente, who issued the following communique to the Board and Addison Trail stakeholders:

"I am pleased to recommend Michael Bolden for the position of Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, effective July 1, 2021. Mike has served as the ninth principal of Addison Trail High School since 2014. During that time, he worked to support the District 88 initiatives of expanding rigorous college and career opportunities for students through his collaborative leadership with staff, students, parents and community partners.

"Mike played a valuable role in

the coordination of several school/community initiatives for the benefit of Addison Trail students, families and community members, including the Youth Equity Stewardship (YES!) series, the Student School Safety Forum, providing workplace experiences and mentor opportunities, serving on the Addison Workforce Development Committee and most recently, the COVID-19 food-distribution program and vaccine clinics, which provided more than 5,000 vaccines to staff, students and local residents. In partnership with the Addison Police Department, Mike coordinated the ALICE safety protocol training for staff and students. He also helped secure a grant to install a rapid emergency response system in school facilities through BluePoint Alert Systems.

"Prior to the principalship, Mike

served as an Assistant Principal at Addison Trail during the Building The Future project, where he oversaw the construction and renovation of Addison Trail's facilities with great care and ownership. In his time as a building administrator in District 88, Mike has had the opportunity to oversee all areas of personnel, including the hiring process, teacher and staff evaluations and labor relations in compliance with state and federal laws. He builds strong, authentic relationships with staff and has faithfully implemented the policies of the Board of Education, while earning the respect of the staff and faculty.

"Before joining District 88, Mike served as Assistant Principal and Math & Science Division Curriculum Coordinator at Bloom Trail

High School and Science Department Chairperson at Thornridge High School. He also has experience as a Staff Development Instructor with several education organizations. He received his master's degree in educational administration from Governors State University and also earned his Secondary Certification Type 09 from Saint Xavier University and his bachelor's degree in biology from Northern Illinois University.

"Mike is a trusted, supportive leader of the highest integrity. He has the experience, work ethic and talent to excel in the role of Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources. He will be a tremendous asset to the District 88 team."

Signed Dr. Jean Barbanente
District 88 Superintendent

Elmhurst Hospital's straight-A streak continues in Leapfrog 'Grades'

Elmhurst Hospital earned an A in The Leapfrog Group's Spring 2021 Hospital Safety Grades. It is one of only 27 hospitals in the entire U.S. to achieve straight A's since the Hospital Safety Grades began in 2012.

"The Leapfrog straight A's certainly are a testament to the dedication and professionalism of our nurses, physicians and staff," said Pamela Dunley, president & CEO, Elmhurst Hospital. "The commitment to safety is our priority, it's something that's ingrained in our culture."

The Safety Grade assigns letter grades of A, B, C, D and F to hospitals across the country based on their performance in preventing medical errors, infections and other harms.

The Leapfrog Group's grading system is peer-reviewed, fully transparent and free to the public.

Hospital continues to receive awards

The extension of Elmhurst Hospital's straight-A streak in the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grades is one of several honors, awards and recognitions related to quality and safety achieved by Edward-Elmhurst Health over the last year:

- For the third year in a row, Fortune/IBM Watson Health named Edward-Elmhurst Health one of the nation's 15 Top Health Systems (2021). (See story elsewhere in this issue.)

- For the second year in a row, Fortune/IBM Watson Health named Edward Hospital and Elmhurst Hospital to its list of 100 Top Hospitals in the U.S. Elmhurst Hospital was ranked No. 1 and Edward Hospital was ranked No. 7 in the Large Community Hospitals category (2021).

- Elmhurst Hospital achieved

redesignation as a Magnet hospital for nursing excellence from the American Nurses Credentialing Center (2020). Its original designation was in 2015.

- Edward Hospital and Elmhurst Hospital Emergency Departments were named 2020 recipients of the Emergency Nurses Association Lantern Award. Edward is one of only two hospitals in the country to be honored four times (2011, 2014, 2017, 2020).

This is Elmhurst Hospital's first Lantern Award.

- Edward-Elmhurst Health was named among the "Most Wired" hospitals and health systems in the country by the College of Healthcare Information Management Executives (2020).

To learn more about patient safety and quality of care at Edward-Elmhurst Health, visit EEHealth.org/about-us/awards.

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Elmhurst Choral Union's virtual concert to debut May 15

Elmhurst Choral Union (ECU) and Elmhurst Choral Union Chamber Singers present a "Mutual May Music: A Virtual Performance to Bring Us Together," an on-demand concert debuting Saturday, May 15, at 8 p.m.

Artistic Director Scott Uddenberg will lead both groups and professional soloists in this positive concert experience, featuring music that reflects joy, peace, and the beauty and rebirth of spring. Musical selections will also represent a diverse array of composers.

The virtual, on-demand format may be new, yet the concert nods to the eclectic tradition of Elmhurst Choral Union: Haydn and Mozart will be performed, along with more modern works from Ola Gjeilo, Jennaya Robison, and Victor C. Johnson. The ECU Chamber Singers will sing music ranging from Gilbert and Sullivan to Broadway and a spiritual.

"Mutual May Music" will feature accompaniment by ECU's Kevin

Wong and the internationally-known Kontras Quartet, the Chicago-based string ensemble recognized for its vibrant, nuanced performances and crisp precision. Two members of the Kontras Quartet are faculty members at Elmhurst University, where ECU has its roots.

Professional guest soloists will be: Kim Jones, Soprano; Amy Pickering, Mezzo Soprano; Madison Bolt, Tenor; Cole Seaton, Tenor; and Lee Lichamer, Bass. Pickering is also an Elmhurst University faculty member.

Tickets are \$20 at elmhurstchoralunion.org/tickets, and will be available through 12 noon Saturday, May 15.

There will also be opportunity to make an optional free-will donation to ECU at time of ticket purchase.

A link to the online concert will be sent by email from the app Eventbrite.com shortly before the event opens at 8 p.m. on May 15. The link will be good for repeated viewing.



Members of the Elmhurst Choral Union rehearses for their upcoming on-demand concert, "Mutual May Music: A Virtual Performance to Bring Us Together," debuting Saturday, May 15, at 8 p.m.

Addison Trail hosts SkillsUSA National Signing Day

On Tuesday, May 4, Addison Trail participated in the SkillsUSA National Signing Day. That event celebrates high school seniors and college/postsecondary students who have chosen to pursue a career in any of the skilled trades. The goal is to help close the skills gap and raise awareness of options available in the skilled trades.

Five Addison Trail seniors were recognized as they signed letters of intent, in a style similar to National Signing Day events for student-athletes.

They were celebrated among school administrators, teachers, SkillsUSA advisers, family members

and friends (following policies and procedures in place regarding social distancing and other health/safety measures).

Below are the students who were recognized, along with their postsecondary plans.

- Konrad Nowak: College of DuPage (Fire Science)
- Wai Wha Dam: Maserati / College of DuPage (Automotive Service Technology program)
- Ivan James: SWD Inc.
- Javier Castillo: College of DuPage (Automotive Service Technology program)
- Sebastian Ruiz: Lincoln Tech (Automotive Technology Training).

Bluejay Tank winner cleans up with hot idea

Similar to Shark Tank, winning competitors meet with venture capitalist

At Elmhurst University's second annual Bluejay Tank competition, students demonstrated their entrepreneurial spirit by pitching business concepts ranging from a startup music production company to an app designed to help college students keep track of their wallets.

Mallory Burke, an Elmhurst U. junior from Evergreen Park, won first place for GrillGirly, a barbecue grill deep-cleaning service that she started last summer with a \$120 loan from her parents. With nine employees, all women, the business is on track to earn a net profit of more than \$18,000 this year.

Modeled loosely on the popular TV show Shark Tank, the Bluejay Tank competition gives students the chance to pitch their business ideas to a panel of experienced en-

trepreneurs in exchange for feedback and a shot at \$3,000 in cash prizes.

With her \$1,500 prize, Burke plans to trademark her business, provide safety training to employees, build a website and expand to other states.

"Before the competition I was at a point where I wasn't sure where to take my business," she said. "Winning gave me the confidence to push forward. And as a participant, I've made connections with people who can help me succeed."

Matthew Gans, a senior from Batavia, Ill., won second place and \$1,000 for MGProductions, a photo and video marketing company that has produced ads for Aston Martin and other top businesses. Third place and \$500 went to

Luis Chavez, a junior from Rolling Meadows, Ill., for Scanology, an online tool that helps high school students find the right college.

"As a first-generation student, I didn't have much help with my college and scholarship search," Chavez said. "I remember staying up all night looking for colleges while I juggled graduation requirements, homework assignments and other extracurricular activities. By creating Scanology, not only can we help students thrive, we can help them through their journey."

As part of their prize, all three winners will have the opportunity to meet with venture capitalist Larry Hayward, partner and co-founder of Independence Equity, to get tips on presenting their business plans to investors.

College news

• Keara Schmitt of Addison made the Dean's List for the Fall 2020 semester at the Georgia Institute of Technology.

• Addison resident Diamond Pikulyk has been named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2020 semester at Edgewood College. Edgewood is located in Madison, Wis. Diamond also earned Semester Honors for the Fall 2020 semester. Fulltime students who achieve a 3.5 grade point average for the semester are eligible for this honor.

• A total of 13,128 students enrolled during the fall 2020 term at The University of Alabama made the Dean's List with academic records of 3.5 or above (on a 4.0 scale), or the President's List with academic records of 4.0 (all A's). Addison residents Aleksander Grabowski and Nicholas Savinos were named to the Dean's List, while Quincy Gunner-son, also of Addison, was named to the Presidents List.

• About 1,600 students were honored on the Lewis University Dean's List for the 2020 Fall Semester, including the following Addison students: Danielle Cusumano, who is studying Criminal Justice; Molly Drogosz, Accounting; Michal Kania,

Computer Science; Lourdes Romero, Elementary Education; Lydia Tausz, Early Childhood Special Education; and Robert Vogel, Aviation Flight Management.

• More than 1,000 students have been named to the Carthage College dean's list for the fall 2020 semester. Among them are the following Addison residents: Annalisa Bucaro, Alyssa Kasprak, McKenna Gayon and Andreja Duncevic.

• Michael Tulke, of Addison, earned dean's list honors at The University of Tampa for the Fall 2020 semester. Tulke is a junior majoring in Sports Management.

• Jake Schiele was named to the Miami University fall 2020-21 President's list. Schiele, from Addison, is majoring in Accountancy.

• Illinois Wesleyan University's Dean's List for the fall semester of the 2020-21 academic year consisted of 771 students including the following from Addison: Shannan Abraham, a senior majoring in Finance; and, Lilia Garcia, a senior majoring in Biology.

• The following Addison residents were inducted into Phi Kappa Phi at Elmhurst University: Luceana Luna, Ismet Mehmeti and Itzel Mota.

Nearly 62 percent of eligible DuPage County residents vaccinated against COVID-19 with at least one dose

As of May 5, over 37 percent, or 346,628, of DuPage County residents have been fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

Of the DuPage County residents currently eligible, nearly 62 percent, or 458,162, have received at least one COVID-19 vaccine dose. Additionally, 89 percent of DuPage County residents ages 65 years and older have received at least one COVID-19 vaccine dose. In the past week, more than 36,000 vaccine doses were administered into the arms of DuPage County residents for a total of 804,790 doses administered to date.

"We encourage everyone who is eligible to get vaccinated to protect

themselves and their loved ones," said Karen Ayala, executive director of DuPage County Health Department (DCHD). "The sooner we all get vaccinated, the sooner we can put an end to this pandemic and get back to the people and places we love."

Last week, the DCHD COVID-19 Community Vaccination Clinic at the DuPage County Fairgrounds began offering walk-in vaccinations to provide convenient opportunities to anyone 16 years and older. Walk-in hours have been extended and will be available Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. To save time, individuals are encouraged to register at the following link

any time before their visit. For information about what to expect and how to prepare, visit www.dupagehealth.org/688/COVID-19-Vaccination-Clinic-DuPage-Count.

DCHD continues to work towards achieving the goal of vaccinating 80-percent of eligible DuPage County residents by July 1. To help do so, DCHD is partnering with municipalities, businesses, and community-based organizations to bring smaller COVID-19 vaccine clinics closer to individuals who have not yet been vaccinated. These smaller COVID-19 vaccine clinics can administer a scalable number of vaccines depending on the demand at a particular event and day/time.

Sports

Willowbrook's offense comes to life against Hinsdale Central

Warriors bash 16 hits, including three homers, in an 11-2 win

The Willowbrook softball team split a pair of games last week. Playing for the first time in seven days, the Warriors lost 7-3 at Downers Grove South in Friday's West Suburban Gold Conference contest. One day later, Willowbrook earned an 11-2 win at Hinsdale Central.

Saturday's non-conference win over the Red Devils (of the West Suburban Silver Conference) lifted the Warriors' overall season record to 3-4.

Willowbrook took an early 2-0 lead over Downers Grove South on freshman Calli Kenny's two-run single in the top of the first inning. The Mustangs scored two runs in the bottom of the first inning to tie the score at 2-2.

Downers Grove South added two more runs in the third inning to take a 4-2 lead. A solo home run in the fourth inning and a two-run homer in the sixth inning pushed the lead to 7-2.

Willowbrook loaded the bases in

the top of the seventh inning. The Warriors scored one run in the inning on a bases-loaded groundout by junior Kayla Neff.

Junior Caitlyn Kulczynski pitched a complete game for Willowbrook. She allowed eight hits and three earned runs over six innings. At the plate, Kulczynski went 2-for-4 and scored one run.

The Warriors pounded 16 hits, including three home runs, in Saturday's victory at Hinsdale Central. Senior Annemarie Knudtson went 3-for-4 with a home run and two runs batted in. She scored three runs. Sophomore Kayleigh Dennison went 2-for-4 with a solo home run.

Willowbrook bashed all three of its homers against Hinsdale Central during the second inning. Freshman Isabella Dugo, who went 2-for-4 in the game, homered to lead off Willowbrook's six-run outburst in the inning.

Knudtson launched a two-run homer later in the second inning.

Dennison then stepped to the plate and connected for a solo homer to give the Warriors back-to-back home runs.

The Warriors scored three runs in the top of the first inning of Saturday's game. The six-run eruption in the second inning gave Willowbrook a 9-0 lead.

Junior Grace Hayes went 3-for-5 and drove in one run for the Warriors in their win over the Red Devils. Kenny went 2-for-5 and drove in one run. Neff went 1-for-2 with two runs batted in.

Senior Caroline Dooley pitched a complete game for Willowbrook on Saturday to earn her second victory of the season.

Dooley gave up five hits and one earned run over seven innings. She recorded nine strikeouts and didn't allow any walks.

The Warriors' schedule this week includes West Suburban Gold Conference games against Morton, Leyden and Addison Trail.



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Willowbrook's softball team played its first game in seven days on Friday, when it played a West Suburban Gold Conference contest at Downers Grove South. The Mustangs defeated the Warriors 7-3. One photo from Friday's game shows freshman Isabella Dugo (above left) of the Warriors connecting for a double. Another photo shows sophomore Kayleigh Dennison (above right) hustling toward first base after hitting a ground ball. Willowbrook bounced back from Friday afternoon's loss to beat Hinsdale Central 11-2 on Saturday morning in Hinsdale. The Warriors hit three home runs in the second inning of the non-conference game against the Red Devils. Dugo led off the inning with a solo home run. Senior Annemarie Knudtson bashed a two-run homer later in the inning. Dennison, who batted after Knudtson, went deep to give Willowbrook back-to-back homers for the second time this season. Freshman Calli Kenny and junior Kayla Neff hit back-to-back home runs during the Warriors' April 28 loss to Addison Trail. Saturday's win over Hinsdale Central gave the Warriors an overall season record of 3-4.

A win for the Warriors

The Willowbrook girls soccer team improved to 4-2 with last week's 5-0 home victory over Hinsdale South. Senior Gracie Tumilty (No. 13-top) and sophomore Molly Brennan (No. 15-middle) both scored two goals for the Warriors in the May 6 match in Villa Park. Tumilty and Brennan provided first-half goals to give the Warriors a 2-0 halftime lead. Tumilty's penalty-kick goal in the second half increased the lead to 3-0. Brennan scored her second goal of the match to push Willowbrook's lead to 4-0. Junior Erin Fitzgibbon (No. 18-right) netted Willowbrook's fifth goal. Sophomore goalkeeper Maddie Aderhoit delivered a shutout performance. Two days before beating Hinsdale South, Willowbrook earned an 8-0 win at Proviso West. Tumilty scored three goals against the Panthers. Fitzgibbon added two goals. Brennan and freshman Grace Soltys both scored one goal. Proviso West allowed one own goal. The Warriors' schedule this week includes matches Proviso East, Leyden and Hinsdale South.



Answers

PUZZLE 1

6	8	9	1	3	4	7	2	5
3	7	1	5	6	2	9	8	4
4	5	2	9	8	7	6	3	1
7	9	5	8	2	3	4	1	6
2	4	8	6	5	1	3	7	9
1	3	6	7	4	9	8	5	2
5	1	7	3	9	6	2	4	8
8	6	4	2	7	5	1	9	3
9	2	3	4	1	8	5	6	7

PUZZLE 2

7	8	9	2	3	5	4	6	1
5	4	2	6	1	8	9	3	7
6	3	1	7	9	4	8	5	2
8	2	7	4	6	9	5	1	3
3	1	6	8	5	2	7	9	4
9	5	4	1	7	3	6	2	8
2	9	5	3	4	7	1	8	6
1	7	3	9	8	6	2	4	5
4	6	8	5	2	1	3	7	9

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Warriors vs. Dukes

The Willowbrook boys volleyball team faced York in last week's match in Villa Park. The visiting Dukes defeated the Warriors 25-14, 25-12 in the May 4 contest. Willowbrook's overall season record dropped to 1-4. One photo from the match shows senior John Donovan (top) at the net. Another photo shows senior Jack Walsh (bottom) receiving a York serve. The Warriors earned their first victory of the season on April 29, when they prevailed in a West Suburban Gold Conference match at Morton. Willowbrook's schedule this week features conference matches against Hinsdale South and Proviso East.

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Notice is hereby given that the Committee of the Whole meeting of the Bensenville Community Public Library will be held on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, at 6:00pm, in the Board Room of the Bensenville Community Public Library, 200 S. Church Rd., Bensenville, IL 60106.
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