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## Teacher certifications recognized by U-46

By Seth Hancock

Several education-related recognitions have taken place at the national, state and local levels in recent weeks.

At the national and state levels, National School Choice Week (NSCW) was celebrated the week of Jan. 26 through Feb. 1. According to NSCW's website, schoolchoiceweek.com, there were nearly 1,700 events celebrating the week in Illinois.

"During NSCW, schools, home-school groups, organizations and individuals plan tens of thousands of independent events," the NSCW website states. "These celebratory events raise public awareness of the different K-12 education options available to children and families while also spotlighting the benefits of school choice.... NSCW recognizes all K-12 options, including traditional public schools, public charter schools, public magnet schools, private schools, online academies, and home-schooling."

Locally, School District U-46 recognized National School Counseling Week (Feb. 3 through Feb. 7) as well as teachers who have either earned or re-

newed their National Board Certifications. Both were recognized at the Board of Education meeting on Monday, Jan. 27.

The school counseling week is sponsored by the American School Counselor Association.

"We're really happy to serve our family and community members and represent you and make sure that we're preparing our students for life after high school and what that brings them," said Alexa Charsha, U-46's lead counselor.

One teacher was recognized for earning National Board Certification and five others for renewing their certifications. The certification is overseen by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards and takes up to three years for a teacher to go through the process according to a U-46 press release.

Bartlett High School social studies teacher Michael Bartos earned the certification in the area of social studies history/adolescence and young adulthood.

"Going through certification affirmed my abilities and dedication as

a teacher," Bartos said for the release. "I strongly recommend for teachers to go through certification. It may seem like a drawn-out process, but in the end it's worth it."

Otilia Garcia (second grade teacher at Streamwood's Oakhill Elementary

School), Trenie Gorak (instructional coach at South Elgin's Fox Meadow Elementary School), Julie Isham (first grade teacher at South Elgin's Willard Elementary School), Rebecca Narofski

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## Village code amended in reaction to new pot law

By Kristin Carreno

At the Village Board meeting on Thursday, Feb. 6, trustees voted unanimously to approve an ordinance amending village code regarding the possession of cannabis, cannabis products and cannabis paraphernalia.

"On Jan. 1, the cannabis regulation and tax act became effective," said Village Attorney Thomas Bastian.

According to Bastian, this code is being reviewed to put in certain thresholds due to the legalization of cannabis. The cannabis regulation and tax act authorizes Illinois residents over the age of 21 years to possess up to 30 grams of cannabis, 500 milligrams of cannabis-infused products

and five grams of cannabis concentrate under certain restrictions.

To ensure compliance with the new regulations the village code is being amended to address these changes, according to Bastian. The ordinance amends certain definitions related to drug paraphernalia. Cannabis paraphernalia in the possession of persons over the age of 21 years old is no longer illegal. Although the act authorizes the possession of cannabis in the stated amounts both state law and the ordinance restricts where it may be ingested and possessed.

"Cannabis cannot be possessed on school grounds, on a school bus or at a day care center," Bastian said.

## Varied items approved via Dist. U-46 consent agenda

By Seth Hancock

The Board of Education in School District U-46 unanimously approved of a personnel report and workers' compensation cases as well as 12 expenditure items totaling \$8.3 million under its consent agenda at its meeting on Monday, Jan. 27.

The vote was 6-0, board member Veronica Noland was absent.

The personnel report included one new position, Dawn Curran hired as the coordinator for the district's education foundation.

In September, a report to the board by the foundation included a request to hire a full-time executive director and U-46 CEO Tony Sanders said at the time the "administration intends to move forward" with the hire without a board vote. U-46 taxpayers will pay the salary at 100 percent to start with the foundation expected to pay 100 percent by 2025-2026.

The foundation has raised \$760,000 since 2006 according to the September presentation with the funds allocated to primarily scholarships for students and teacher grants. A survey of district parents showed that 76 percent were unaware of the foundation or how it spends funds.

The expenditure items included two items totaling \$1.5 million, both to be paid through the operations and maintenance fund, including one with Hargrave Builder's, Inc. to "modernize the Beacon Academy of Media and Digital Arts at South Elgin High School," the proposal states, and the other with Schroeder Asphalt Services, Inc. for a parking lot and drives project at South Elgin's Kenyon Woods Middle School.

Costing \$872,000 (operations and maintenance fund) with Mechanical Concepts of Illinois, Inc., the board approved of a replacement of a Dectron

unit at Bartlett High School which controls HVAC operations for dehumidification in the swimming pool area.

The board approved of the third phase of a water piping replacement project at Elgin High School with a price tag of \$807,588 (operations and maintenance fund) with Northwest Contractors, Inc.

A parking lot project at Elgin's Creek-side Elementary School was approved costing \$784,308 (operations and maintenance fund) with Schroeder Asphalt Services, Inc.

Two project proposals for Elgin's Larsen Middle School were approved, both from the operations and maintenance fund, including \$736,900 with Trico Mechanical, Inc. to replace the gymnasium's HVAC system and \$408,342 with A Lamp Concrete Contractors, Inc. for a site improvement project to improve the alley area and select staircases.

Also from the operations and maintenance fund, the district will spend \$707,961 with Correct Electric, Inc. for fire alarm systems replacements at Bartlett, Streamwood's Hanover Countryside and Bartlett's Sycamore Trails elementary schools, \$505,430 with Advantage Paving Solutions, Inc. for a parking lot and vault project at Elgin's Abbott Middle School and \$264,423 with Replacement Window Systems, Inc. for a window replacement project at Elgin's Channing Elementary School.

Two items from the education fund were approved including \$193,419 with Warehouse Direct to purchase replacement lunchroom tables (462 bench-style, 594 stool-style) and \$72,100 with School Health Corporation for a two-year contract renewal to keep the district's Automatic External Defibrillators (AED) compliant.



### Raining three-pointers

Streamwood's Kyle Maybrun in the process of draining a basket against West Chicago on Friday, Feb. 7. For story and more photos see page 12.

(Examiner photo by Caroline Hollis)



# After probationary stint police officers sworn

By Kristin Carreno

During the Village Board meeting on Thursday, Feb. 6, Village Clerk Kittie Kopitke swore-in Brian Bagrowski, Francisco Cabrera and Juan Campos as three new Streamwood police officers.

According to Village President Billie Roth, these individuals have successfully completed all of their probationary employment requirements after starting their careers with the police department in January 2019 and graduating from the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy.

Roth said Bagrowski attended Elgin Community College, served in the United States Air Force and resides in St. Charles; Cabrera attended Aurora University, currently serves in the United States Marine Corps Reserves and lives in Hanover Park ; and Campos attended Elgin Community College and resides in Elgin.

According to Police Chief Daryl Syre, the village has a long history of honoring officers with a badge ceremony to recognize the accomplishment of making it through the 12-month probationary period.

"It's important that our police officers out there on the street can do what they need to do and all three of you got through that," said Syre. "Then it was about making it through the process of becoming a Streamwood police officer which consists of a 14-week field training program. They're learning all aspects of the police department and they're put in situations that test their metal and make sure they can handle it. They're also on the street at this point. All three of you showed that you had the right stuff. This is a life choice. All three of you did phenomenal. You represent yourselves and the village well. I'm happy to officially welcome you to the force."

# Waiver renewal granted by village board vote

By Kristin Carreno

Trustees, at the Village Board Meeting on Thursday, Feb. 6, voted unanimously in favor of a request to renew a waiver of locational restrictions. The waiver permits live entertainment with the service of alcoholic beverages at Fiesta del Mar Restaurant, 190 N. Barrington Road.

According to Community Development Director John Peterson, the property is in a developed shopping center zoned C-2.

“The establishment has had a waiver of locational restrictions granted by the board since 2017,” said Peterson. “Each year the zoning code requires

the village to annually review of the status of the waiver.”

According to Peterson, petitioner Victor Soberanis has submitted the required application and supplemental information for the waiver renewal request.

"He contends he is in conformance with the standards of the code including the requirement to have at least 35 percent of total sales in food versus alcohol," Peterson added.

Food sales are the predominant use of the business, according to Peterson. Last year the business reported 81 percent in food sales and 19 percent in alcohol sales.

# Village Board approves lawn maintenance pact

By Kristin Carreno

At the Village Board meeting on Thursday, Feb. 6, trustees voted unanimously in favor of a resolution waiving competitive bidding and authorizing a two-year contract with Clauss Brothers, Elgin, based on agreed unit prices at a cost of \$48,336 per year for lawn mowing and grounds maintenance.

According to Director of Public Works Matt Mann, every three years Public Works seeks bids for lawn mowing and grounds maintenance.

"The mowing contract is for weekly mowing at approximately 31 locations including medians, shoulders, special service areas, vacant properties as needed and the three fire stations," said Mann.

According to Mann, full maintenance at the three fire stations including spring and fall cleanups, weed removal, bed edging, mulching and

bush trimming is also included in the contract.

"For the last few years Clauss Brothers has been under contract to perform this work after multiple low bidders were unable to meet the contract requirements from 2014 to 2016," Mann said.

Mann said Clauss took over the project in 2016 and were the low bidder in 2017.

According to Mann, due to the long history of past performance issues with the low bidders the public works department recommends accepting this offer which keeps the price the same for 2020 and 2021 and is still lower than the next lowest bid that was received in 2017.

According to Mann, Clauss remains a local qualified vendor that has demonstrated the ability to perform and meet the contract requirements.

# Teachers

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(music instructor at both Bartlett's Hawk Hollow and Hoffman Estate's Lincoln elementary schools) and Ryan Sims (social studies teacher at Streamwood High School) all renewed their certification.

Bartos, at the board meeting, described the certification process: "The main idea for the national board is to

show recognition for the teacher's understanding of his content of his field. Also, to consider some of the various methodologies and also to encourage the teacher to self-reflect in terms of making sure that he is evaluating his students in a way that makes him a better teacher but also makes sure his students also are improving as well."

Goarak added: "For the renewal, it's just a continuation of that process. You continue to reflect and teach and reflect and teach."



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# Police Reports

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241 E. Spring for a keep the peace request.  
★ At 10:06 p.m., police responded to 610 E. Thornwood for a report of an open door or window.  
**Thursday, Jan. 30**  
★ At 10:10 a.m., police responded to the vicinity of West Harvard and North Lancaster for a report of a suspicious vehicle.  
★ At 12:47 p.m., police responded to Waters Edge of South Elgin, 418 N. Center, for a 911 investigation.  
★ At 1:06 p.m., police responded to Country Cleaners, 1135 W. Spring, for a 911 investigation.  
★ At 2:37 p.m., police responded to

South Elgin High School, 760 E. Main St., for a report of an ordinance violation.  
★ At 2:46 p.m., police responded to 720 Sundown for a fraud complaint.  
★ At 3:39 p.m., police responded to 567 Williams for a missing person report.  
★ At 3:50 p.m., police responded to Burger King, 200 Sundown Road, for a request to remove an unwanted subject.  
★ At 3:57 p.m., police responded to 889 Barbara for a report of a domestic in progress.  
★ At 4:58 p.m., police responded to Lions Club, 500 Fulton, for a report of a safety or health hazard.  
★ At 5:10 p.m., police responded to 801 Fulton for a request to assist fire department personnel.

★ At 8:50 p.m., police responded to 1533 S. Pembroke for a report of a drug law violation.  
★ At 9:29 p.m., police responded to 15 Persimmon for a report of a suspicious vehicle.  
★ At 9:52 p.m., police responded to 669 Fieldcrest for a 911 investigation.  
★ At 9:53 p.m., police responded to 1265 Sandhurst for a report of mischievous conduct.  
★ At 10:34 p.m., police responded to Busch, LLC, 373 Joseph Drive, for a report of an activated alarm.  
**Friday, Jan. 31**  
★ At 4:05 a.m., police responded to Busch, LLC, 373 Joseph Drive, for a report of an activated alarm.  
★ At 8:26 a.m., police responded to the vicinity of McDonald and Randall for a report of an abandoned vehicle.  
★ At 8:51 a.m., police responded to the vicinity of Randall and Silver Glen roads for a report of an abandoned vehicle.  
★ At 10:17 a.m., police responded to the vicinity of Randall and Stearns roads for a report of an abandoned vehicle.  
★ At 10:21 a.m., police responded to 834 Chasewood for a report of a domestic in progress.

★ At 10:42 a.m., police responded to the vicinity of West Spring and Martin for a report of an abandoned vehicle.  
★ At 11:50 a.m., police responded to 396 Hickory for a report of a residential fire alarm.  
★ At 1:25 p.m., police responded to 1400 N. Blackhawk for a report of an abandoned vehicle.  
★ At 1:34 p.m., police responded to Coronado's Mexican Kitchen, 455 Redington Drive, for a report of an abandoned vehicle.  
★ At 1:43 p.m., police responded to 762 Concord for a report of an abandoned vehicle.  
★ At 1:52 p.m., police responded to the vicinity of Sunbury and Trenton for a report of an abandoned vehicle.  
★ At 2:52 p.m., at the police department, 10 N. Water, officers took a fraud complaint.  
★ At 5:13 p.m., police responded to 375 Woodridge for a report of a domestic.  
**Saturday, Feb. 1**  
★ At 10:56 a.m., police responded to 725 Fieldcrest for a 911 investigation.  
★ At 1:42 p.m., police responded to Caputos, 622 Randall Road, for a report of a hit and run.  
★ At 3:44 p.m., police responded to

## IEMA emphasizing earthquake preparedness

According to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA), while some hazards such as storms, tornadoes and floods can be forecasted in order to provide advance notice to residents in an area of danger, other hazards such as earthquakes cannot be predicted. Recent earthquakes in Puerto Rico and the Caribbean are perfect examples that earthquakes can happen anywhere and at any time, including while you are at work, at home or on vacation. The United States Geological Survey estimates that 500,000 detectable earthquakes occur in the world each year. The National Earthquake Information Center locates about 20,000 earthquakes each year, or about 55 earthquakes each day.

Records indicate Illinois, and several other states in the central United States, experienced some of the largest earthquakes ever measured in North America. In recognition of the earthquake risk still posed today by the New Madrid and Wabash Valley seismic zones, the IEMA and local emergency management agencies will promote earthquake preparedness throughout February.

"Creating an environment of education, awareness and preparedness will save lives in Illinois," said Alicia Tate-Nadeau, acting director of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency. "While we cannot predict when the next major quake will occur, we can help people learn how to protect themselves and reduce damage to their homes."

Learning how to "Drop, Cover and Hold On" can help people prevent in-

jury during an earthquake. The phrase reminds people to drop down to the floor, take cover under a sturdy desk, table or other furniture, and hold on to that object and be prepared to move with it until the shaking ends. Most casualties result from falling objects and debris caused by the earth shaking.

There are several steps people can take to help prevent injuries and property damage at home, including:

- Strapping water heaters and large appliances to wall studs;
- Anchoring overhead light fixtures;
- Fastening shelves to wall studs and securing cabinet doors with latches;
- Strapping TVs, computers and other heavy equipment to prevent tipping; and
- Learning how to shut off gas, water and electricity in case the lines are damaged.

Each year the Illinois Emergency Management Agency leads an initiative to register homes, businesses, schools and organizations in the world's largest earthquake drill. This year's earthquake drill will take place on Thursday, Oct. 15 at 10:15 a.m. It's never too early to register participation in this potentially life-saving event. Register at [www.shakeout.org](http://www.shakeout.org).

Learn more about how to prepare a home, business and family for an earthquake at [www.Ready.Illinois.gov](http://www.Ready.Illinois.gov). Earthquake safety tips will also be posted throughout February on the Ready Illinois Facebook ([www.facebook.com/ReadyIllinois](http://www.facebook.com/ReadyIllinois)) and Twitter ([www.twitter.com/ReadyIllinois](http://www.twitter.com/ReadyIllinois)) pages.

## South Elgin cheer team earns state championship

**By Seth Hancock**

The South Elgin cheerleading team is the state champion in 2020 after its two performances at Grossinger Motors Arena in Bloomington on Friday, Feb. 7 and Saturday, Feb. 8.

The Storm finished with a score of 96.11 in the coed division to earn the trophy.

"Both of their performances were absolutely incredible," said South Elgin coach Savannah Bennett. "They had so much energy, they were so fun to watch. I am so proud of all of them and am proud of what they put on the floor. I was in tears both days watching all of their hard work finally pay off."

Bennett added: "Being able to bring home the state title means everything to me and to my athletes. It still does not feel real, I feel like I'm in this incredible dream but I'm not waking up from it. It's really amazing."

The Storm squad is young with just six seniors including Mercedes Alexandre, Tristan Cruz, Abby Greco, Shannon Martin, Thomas-Justin Ramos and Alexandra Spires. Other upperclassmen include juniors Jovanna Anesi, Samantha Carlson, Andrea

Domin, Nicholas Domschke, Olivia Herak, Mya Lyons and Karly Mastangeli.

Also on the quad were sophomores Samantha Jimenez, Krista Martin, Kaitlyn Ramos, Mark Rundio, Alexis Salazar, Lexie Wrobel and Kendall York as well as freshmen Avery Jagers, Morgan Poole, Lillian Seifrid and Sydney Woertendyke.

"Over the last eight months, my athletes have put in hours of work to make this dream come true," Bennett said. "Every person on the team sacrifices so much to ensure that they are pulling their weight on the team. There are hard days, bad days, but they are so resilient and it has aided in their success throughout this season."

Bennett added: "They don't just put in physical work, but we work a lot on mentality, as well. There is a standard put in place so they always know what is expected of them. They are all incredibly talented, but the root of their success is that they all truly love, respect and value each other as humans, as teammates and as family. It's been amazing to be a part of their lives and experiences."

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# Hare’s 35 points lead Hawks in win over Storm



South Elgin’s Megan McClure headed for the baseline on a route toward the Bartlett basket while negotiating around the Hawks’ Cierra Thomas.

(Examiner photos by Bruce Leighty)



Bartlett’s Danielle Hedeeyeye eyeing the South Elgin basket and a possible score as the Storm’s Caroline Croft closed from behind to blunt the effort.



A determined Lexi Sinclair of the Hawks finishing off a drive on the basket on a scoring effort closely contested by the Storm’s Raina Yang.

Cierra Thomas.

“I would never expect South Elgin to give up,” said Bartlett coach Joe Eirich. “Dan’s (Mandernack) too good of a coach. He gets those girls ready for everything, but Mackenzie you can’t ask for a better person, better player, and she stepped up when we needed her. Everybody on this team is starting to understand their roles, understanding what is their responsibility and how they’re going to best contribute to the team.”

Sinclair scored eight points in the first quarter as Bartlett took an 18-9 lead which went to 19-9 to start the second, but five different Storm players scored during an 11-0 run capped by a Caroline Croft (13 points) bucket for a 20-19 lead with 5:06 left in the half.

Bartlett closed out the half with a 20-4 run for a 39-24 lead, and it led for good on the way to clinching the title.

“It means a lot to get the title,” Hare said. “We’ve worked so hard this season, and we knew coming in we had to win this game or we’re sharing the championship and we didn’t want to share.”

Hare, already having 15 points and three treys, added 10 more points in the third quarter and 10 more in the fourth adding five more treys while adding a four-point play with 1.4 seconds left in the third to take a 53-42 lead. South Elgin kept fighting in the fourth and pulled to 62-56, but Hare hit four straight from the free-throw line in the final 37 seconds to close out the win.

South Elgin did finish with more field goals, 23 to 20, but Bartlett hit 13 three-pointers to the Storm’s three and went 13-for-20 from the line compared to 7-for-11. Madison Waichunas had 14 points, Megan McClure 13 and Raina Yang nine for the Storm.

“We knocked down some more shots, tried every defense on (Hare) but she had a hell of a game and she’s a hell of a player,” Mandernack said. “We just couldn’t get over the hump, but I’m so proud of their effort and their fight tonight.”

Both teams were coming off UEC wins on Tuesday, Feb. 4. At Bartlett, the Hawks defeated Glenbard East 62-34. At Fenton, the Storm earned a 64-47 win.

By Seth Hancock

The Bartlett girls basketball team clinched its third straight Upstate Eight Conference title with a 66-56 win over rival South Elgin, which entered a game behind in the standings, on Friday, Feb. 7 at Bartlett.

The Hawks (22-8, 16-1 UEC) had a record-breaking night from sophomore Mackenzie Hare (35 points) who hit eight three-pointers to tie her single-game record, overtake her own single season record set last year at 105 and eclipsed her sister Kayla Hare for the program’s career record with 207 treys now.

South Elgin (22-8, 14-3) battled tough, but beyond Hare the Hawks got 13 points and 13 rebounds from Lexi Sinclair (two treys), nine points off three threes from Trinity Reyes and five points and 10 rebounds from



Late in the third quarter Bartlett’s Trinity Reyes congratulating Mackenzie Hare who had just netted one of her eight three-point shots and was fouled in the process. Hare made the free throw and the four-point play helped stem a second half run by South Elgin. Hare led all scorers in the game with 35 points.



# Sabres start fast, cruise to win over Wildcats

By Seth Hancock

The Streamwood girls basketball team bolted out to a fast start on the way to a 69-45 win over West Chicago in Upstate Eight Conference play on Thursday, Feb. 6 at West Chicago.

The final three frames were even, 41-41, but the Sabres won the game in the first quarter scoring the game's first 22 points and holding West Chicago scoreless until 56.1 seconds remained in the opening period.

West Chicago also hit a three-pointer in the final minute of the first quarter, but Sayuri Ishikawa (12 points) hit two of her three treys during the same time as Streamwood led 28-4 by the end and held at least a 20-point advantage the rest of the night.

"That was a great start," said Streamwood coach George Rosner. "That was one of the better starts we've had. We were hitting the threes and doing a lot of good things, and defensively we were pretty good."

Streamwood hit six of its 10 three-pointers in that opening period including two each from Peyton Hedger, who scored eight of her nine points in the frame, and Kaylee Angle (eight points). Idalyd Ocampo (seven points), Samantha DeMarco (seven points) and Alyssa Santiago (five points) all hit a three.

Mandy Mien (15 rebounds, seven steals) didn't get into the long-range scoring for the Sabres, but she led her

squad with 17 points including 10 in the first half as Streamwood took a 40-17 lead into the break.

"We talked about taking their crowd out because they had a pretty good, vocal crowd there," Rosner said. "I said we've got to get off to a good start and try and get that crowd out of the game. Mandy kind of keyed that with a couple steals, and then we spread the ball around and we were just hitting them."

"We just stuck to our game, didn't let the crowd just tear us down and we just stuck through it and finished it strong," Mien said.

Streamwood was coming off a 47-36 UEC win over Larkin on Tuesday, Feb. 4 at Larkin. Hedger (13 points, seven rebounds), Mien (10 points), Ocampo (nine points), Ishikawa (seven points) and Angle (six points) led the effort.

The Sabres have now won two straight while missing a pair of regular players, and they've won four of their last five games to improve to 11-16 overall, 8-9 in the UEC, heading into the final week of the regular season. Streamwood is seeded sixth in its nine-team sub-section of the Huntley Sectional.

"We feel good about the way we're playing," Rosner said. "We're playing some really good basketball right now. We started 0-8 and now we've got 11 wins. I think we're a tough team for anybody right now to play."



While drawing a pair of West Chicago defenders, the Sabres' Mandy Mien delivered a pass over the Wildcats' Jade Bucio, left, and Sadie Obenauer to a teammate to set up a score.  
(Examiner photos by Bruce Leighty)



Peyton Heger getting off a wide open three-point shot from behind the arc for the Sabres against West Chicago.



A driving Sayuri Ishikawa of Streamwood in the paint while surrounded by a trio of Wildcats, including, from left, Emily Toran, Shailee Patel and Sadie Obenauer.



The Sabres' Kaylee Angle caught in the middle of a battle for possession of the ball with West Chicago's Shelbie Steward, left, and Shailee Patel.



Streamwood's Vicki Kopko working to execute a short shot off the glass around the Wildcats' Sadie Obenauer.



# Storm seize game with late surge to tip Hawks

By Seth Hancock

In a defensive battle, the South Elgin boys basketball team came out on top of rival Bartlett with clutch plays in a 40-35 Upstate Eight Conference game on Friday, Feb. 7 at Bartlett.

The Hawks (8-16, 5-8 UEC) controlled play in the first half, but the Storm's (11-14, 7-6) Kendis Wiley helped lead a rally as he scored eight of his game-high 12 points in the second half.

Wiley was taken out of the game early by Storm coach Brett Johnson after missing a rebound opportunity. After that, he went on to add 10 rebounds and six blocked shots to go along with his scoring.

"He just told me that I had to be more aggressive, and he wasn't happy I gave up that rebound," Wiley said. I just thought about it, and that got me riled up and I knew I had to go after it from there."

Bartlett's George Betevis (10 points) hit his second three-pointer of the night to open the fourth quarter with a 31-26 lead, but South Elgin answered with an 8-1 run and Wiley's bucket with 2:16 remaining gave the Storm their first lead of the night at 34-32.

Over the final two minutes, Dylan Marquis (eight points) closed out the game with a 6-for-6 perform-

ance from the free-throw line, part of an 8-for-8 night for him, and he added a key rebound late. Bartlett trailed 38-35 with about 10 seconds to go when it had a three-point attempt for the tie rim out which Marquis rebounded and went to the line for the final points.

"It was a battle," Johnson said. Bartlett made it extremely tough on us to get any open shots, and we couldn't hit anything at all. Down the stretch, we had players step up and make plays. I'm proud of the effort and the fight from this group right now."

John Aaron Wafford added 10 points for the Storm.

Led by a pair of threes from Ian Smith (six points) and five points from Hayden Angell (10 rebounds) in the first half, the Hawks were able to build as large as a nine-point lead in the second quarter and a 21-16 lead at the break. Conrad Luczynski finished with eight points,

nine rebounds and five blocked shots.

Bartlett was 5-for-10 from the free-throw line compared to the Storm's 12-for-16.

"We've got to learn to finish games," said Bartlett coach Jim Wolfsmith. "It was a physical game. The refs let both sides kind of play more physical, and I thought we didn't respond well to that."

Wolfsmith added: "I thought we defended well and they defended well. The difference is we were 5-for-10 at the free-throw line. That's been a problem all season long, but that was a good game and a great atmosphere and we need that to grow."



During a scramble for the basketball under the South Elgin basket late in the third quarter, Bartlett's George Betevis came away with the ball in front of the Storm's John Aaron Wafford.



Hayden Angell attempting to score for the Hawks over South Elgin's Kendis Wiley, an effort that was blocked by Wiley.



Lane McVicar releasing a three-point shot from behind the arc over Bartlett's Nick Kantzavelos.  
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# Three-point shooting leads Sabres to 82-47 win



West Chicago's Jacob Lim kept, left, shadowing the Sabres' Jakobe Strong as he made his way down the court.



Streamwood's Luke Pentecost making a pass to a teammate in the first quarter.

(Examiner photos by Caroline Hollis)

By Seth Hancock

The Streamwood boys basketball team caught fire from behind the arc to run away with an 82-47 win over West Chicago in Upstate Eight Conference play on Friday, Feb. 7 at West Chicago.

The Sabres tallied 20 or more points in nearly every frame, other than a 19-9 fourth quarter, but were locked in a 20-20 tie after the first quarter. After that, Streamwood won every frame to build a 40-30 lead by halftime and 63-38 after three quarters of play.

Boosting the effort was the Sabres shooting from behind the arc as they knocked down 19 three-

pointers as a team led by four from Lorenzo Coney. Both Coney and Jakobe Strong, who hit three treys, finished with a game-high 19 points to lead the effort.

"We played outstanding in the second half," said Streamwood coach Kent Payne. "I think we broke the school record in threes, we made 19 as a team."

Payne added: "We were able to pressure West Chicago and force turnovers in the second half that propelled the speed of the game."

Zach Marquez (11 points) and Luke Pentecost (nine points) each had three treys, Darrel Luce (six points) and Kody White (six points) two each and

both Kyle Maybrun (seven points) and Richard Santiago hit one three-pointer.

The win improves Streamwood to 13-11 overall, 8-5 in the UEC. It snapped a two-game losing streak and a four-game losing streak within the conference which knocked the Sabres to fourth place after being in contention for the UEC title.

Moving forward, Payne said he wants to see his team maintain its energy as it heads into the final stretch of the regular season.

"We just want to continue to play with the same energy we've been playing with all season," Payne said.



Streamwood's Darrel Luce attempting a three-point shot during the Sabres win over the Wildcats Friday, Feb. 7.



Streamwood's Lorenzo Coney breaking away from the Wildcat's Ryan Schmidt.