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Elgin News Digest By: Michelle Mullins



The Gail Borden Public Library will forgive fines for overdue items in exchange for the donation of nonperishable foods, cleaning supplies or personal hygiene items through April 13.

Intersection work starts in Carpentersville

The Illinois Department of Transportation has started work to improve the intersection of Route 31 (Western Avenue) and Miller Road in Carpentersville.

A new northbound left-turn lane from Illinois 31 onto Miller Road is being built and wider shoulders, a bike path and drainage improvements are to be added. The work should be completed by the end of November.

Daytime lane closures and narrower lanes will be required as part of the construction.

Library district forgiving fines for food donations

The three branches of the Gail Borden Public Library District will be accepting nonperishable foods in exchange for its fines through April 13.

Each donated item will waive \$1 in overdue fines. In addition to nonperishable foods, the library will accept laundry detergent, hand soap, dish-washing soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes, paper towels, toilet paper, tissues, diapers and baby powder.

For more information, go to www.gailborden.info/foodforfines.

'So You Want to be a Referee' program

A lecture entitled, "So You Want to be a Referee," will be presented at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 11, at the Gail Borden Public Library's Rakow Branch, 2751 Bowes Road, Elgin.

NFL Replay Official Jim Lapetina will talk about his journey from grade school referee to Big Ten football to the NFL.

Registration is available online at <u>www.gailborden.info</u>.

Meeting on preparing kids for kindergarten

Residents can learn how to help young children prepare for kindergarten and beyond during an informational meeting at 8 a.m. Friday, April 12, at Gail Borden Library, 270 N. Grove Ave.

It is sponsored by the Elgin Partnership for Early Learning, the library, School District U46 and Alignment Collaborative for Education.

The meeting, which will include a small breakfast, will focus on how a child's brain develops in the first five years of life and what can be done to help further this development.

RSVP to amberpeters@elginpartnership.org.

Elgin set deadline for rehab grant applications

Applications for Elgin's 2019 Historic Architectural Rehabilitation Grant are due Friday, April 26.

The grant program provides residential property owners in designated historic districts with grants of up to \$20,000 for the restoration of exterior architectural features.

Applications are available at www.cityofelgin.org/historicgrants or can be picked up at the Community Development Department at City Hall, 150 Dexter Court.

Dundee Boys & Girls Club names new CEO

Andrew "Drew" Glassford has been named chief executive officer of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Dundee Township.

Most recently, Glassford was director of strategic initiatives with Boy Scouts of America and served as staff advisor to the National Foundation STEM Advisory Committee. He has also served as the executive director of Turning Pointe Autism Foundation in Naperville, a nonprofit group that serves children with autism and their parents.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Dundee Township is one of the largest such clubs in Illinois, serving nearly 3,000 members from seven community schools in District 300 and 220.

It offers after-school programs, summer programs and athletic leagues, and has a teen center in Carpentersville.

Women in business seminar in Batavia

Batavia Women in Business will offer an "Are You Bossy or a Powerful Leader?" program April 9 in Geneva.

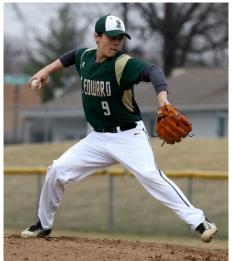
The seminar, which runs from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Eagle Brook Country Club, 2288 Fargo Blvd., will feature Jennifer Crimmins, who has spent 20 years in the health-care industry and has 10 years' experience in talent development.

Admission is \$30 for Batavia Chamber of Commerce members and \$35 for guests. To register, go to www.bataviachamber.org or call 630-879-7134.

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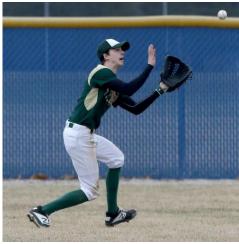
Baseball: St. Edward, Mandarino mow down Larkin By: Jerry Fitzpatrick



Above: St. Edward's Joey Mandarino makes an offering against Larkin in Elgin on Friday. Mandarino threw a 4-hit shutout.



Larkin's Edward Wisser reacts after striking out against St. Edward during varsity boys baseball in Elgin on Friday.



St. Edward's Ben Boydston tracks down a fly ball during varsity boys baseball in Elgin on Friday.



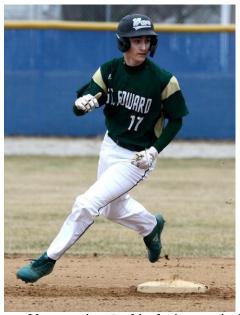
Larkin's Tayshon Erdman makes an offering against St. Edward during varsity boys baseball in Elgin on Friday.



Left: Larkin's Max Anderson makes contact against St. Edward. He had two of his team's four hits.



St. Edward's third baseman Jack Olson tosses to first for a force out against Larkin during varsity boys baseball in Elgin on Friday.



St. Edward's Joe Sacco rounds second base against Larkin during varsity boys baseball in Elgin on Friday.

St. Edward senior pitcher Joey Mandarino made it a successful homecoming for his new coach at Larkin Friday.

The right-hander used a mix of fastballs, curveballs and change-ups to handcuff the Royals on 4 hits in a 10-0, six-inning nonconference victory.

The three-year varsity player issued no walks and struck out six, including the last batter of the game, caught looking at an outside fastball on the black.

"I felt like I really had good control and being able to change up the speed helped a lot," said Mandarino (1-0).

The decisive victory made for a happy return for first-year St. Edward coach Mike Rolando, a 1991 Larkin graduate who played football and baseball. He pitched out of the bullpen for the '91 Royals, the only team in program history to qualify for the state finals.

Rolando has been St. Edward's football coach for the last 14 seasons. He also spent three seasons as the school's softball coach and coached against Larkin at the Elgin Sports Complex.

Friday was the first time Rolando coached a game on Larkin soil.

"It's fun coming back here," he said. "I see the Royal uniforms and I've still got some blue blood in me. I used to sit in that dugout. I used to warm up in that bullpen. I have such fond memories of being here and playing here. We had a great team. I had a fun career."

Senior Max Anderson, who hit .356 last year, singled twice for Larkin (o-8), which had to replace eight graduated position players from a 9-win team. The Royals did not have an extra-base hit and committed 5 errors behind junior starting pitcher Tayshon Erdman and senior reliever Kevin Duffy.

"Mentally, we just have to stay a little more focused, a little more in the game pitch by pitch and break the game down," said first-year Larkin coach Niko Morado, who, like Rolando, played baseball for the Royals before he graduated in 2013. "We need to focus on the small victories: winning an at-bat, then winning two or three at-bats and that's going to turn into a productive inning. Right now, it's about trying to get a better mental approach."

St. Edward (2-7) split 4 games this week following an 0-5 start to the season. Drew Tilche pitched 7 strong innings Monday in a 5-1 over Bishop McNamara.

Jack Olson sparked the Green Wave offense against Larkin with a 2-run single that keyed a 3-run rally, part of a 9-hit effort.

"It was like our whole team switched offensively," said Olson, a four-year varsity performer who will play for Elgin Community College. "We're playing like a team now and we're getting our pitchers runs."

The St. Edward attack was paced by Mike Lopez (2-for-3, 2 runs) and Jeff Mamrot, who went 2-for-3 with a double and 3 RBI.