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"IF I WERE TO CHOOSE BETWEEN A GOVERNMENT WITHOUT A NEWSPAPER OR A NEWSPAPER WITHOUT A GOVERNMENT, I WOULD NOT HESITATE TO CHOOSE THE LATTER." THOMAS JEFFERSON

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U-46 Board approves proposals, bills listing

By Seth Hancock

The Board of Education in School District U-46 approved \$531,670 in expenditures over 10 proposals as well as a personnel report and workers' compensation cases all under its consent agenda on Monday, Aug. 26.

The vote was 6-0, board member Melissa Owens was absent.

The personnel report and workers' compensation cases included two new positions, both elementary special education paraeducators.

The largest expenditure proposal

costs \$67,500 with Dell EMC for interactive boards and \$36,750 with PACE Systems, Inc. for interactive board stands to be used at elementary libraries. The item will be paid for by the education fund.

"This purchase will supply equal technology resources available to support the Information and Digital Literacy Curriculum across elementary sites," the proposal states.

With Gorbold Behavioral Consulting, Inc. the board approved a proposal costing \$75,000 for professional

development which will be paid for by the nation's taxpayers through grant funds.

A memo to the board elaborated what will be provided. Gorbold "will develop a functional assessment and behavior intervention plan (BIP) for any individual that The District agrees need services," "will provide BCBA (Board Certified Behavior Analyst) consultation and training to classrooms/teachers/students as needed or requested," will use U-46 systems "in order to produce a BIP and collect data on both target behaviors and adaptive behaviors," "will provide representation at Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or other clinical meetings as needed for those individuals receiving services," "will provide staff trainings as requested on various Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) topics" and "will maintain

at least monthly contact... with the District Representative to update the Representative on their services and any collaborative efforts that might be required."

The memo further stated: "The new system does not have a parent portal. IEPs will continue to be emailed to parents upon request and a hard copy will be provided at the end of the meeting."

With Northwest Illinois Association, the board approved a contract renewal costing \$70,462 (grant funds) "to help district staff identify and diagnose children with hearing, vision, orthopedic, and multi-impairments" according to the proposal.

Costing \$68,250 (grant funds), the board approved a contract renewal

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Board approves vendor for lift station overhaul

By Kristin Carreno

At the Village Board meeting on Thursday, Sept. 5, trustees unanimously approved a motion to accept the low bid of \$414,500 from Performance Construction, LLC., Plano, for the rehabilitation of the North Park Boulevard lift station. The highest of the four bids received was from The Bowa Group, Chicago, at \$1,000,000.

"The North Park Boulevard lift station needs rehabilitation," said Director of Public Works Matt Mann. "The station was built in the 1970s and was last rehabilitated 26 years ago."

The station serves approximately 320 acres north of Schaumburg Road and is 28 feet deep with 25 horsepower pumps that each pump over 1,000 gallons per minute, according to Mann.

Mann added that rehabilitation will include the existing wet well, valve vault and bypass pumping. Replace-

ment of the existing pumps, piping, valves, pump control, concrete, asphalt and electrical equipment will also be performed.

Funds for this work are available in the 2019 budget, according to Mann. The engineer's estimate was \$382,910 and there are some items in the bid that will be reviewed and revised by the public works department for cost savings.

"The low bid did come in a little bit higher than the engineer's estimate but we do believe that we can do some value engineering to get that price down a little bit after the project starts," Mann said.

Trustee Michael Baumer asked about the life span of the rehabilitation.

Mann said a "full rehab" should not be needed for another 15 to 20 years.

"We do repairs on an annual basis but this is a full rehab," Mann said.

District U-46 recognizes Special Olympic athletes

By Seth Hancock

A group of students were recently recognized at the School District U-46 Board of Education meeting on Monday, Aug. 26 for their accomplishments in Special Olympics events.

Natalie Gort, Constantina "Tina" Hondros and Laila Tran all earned event gold medals for the U-46 BlueStars in June at the Illinois Special Olympics summer games in Bloomington-Normal. Jackson Miller also won gold at the games for the Northern Illinois Special Recreation Association team.

Renee Grandstaff won gold in Orlando, Florida this past April at the International Cheer Union's World Championships on the U.S. National Special Olympics Unified Intermediate cheerleading team. She trains in Hanover Park and is a part of U-46's transition program.

Danielle Williams, Grandstaff's teacher, said for a district press release: "We are incredibly proud of Renee for all of her hard work, determination, and confidence. Renee is such an incredible student and an inspiration to many people around her."

Gort won the gold in the 200-meter run. She is a student at Bartlett's Nature Ridge Elementary School.

"Miss Natalie is a great little com-

petitor," BlueStars coach Lindsey Reynolds said for the release. "She may be one of our younger athletes, but she has shown that her athleticism is right up there with the more experienced athletes, and she has been so fun to watch interact with and formulate friendships with the other BlueStars. She started off quite shy, and has really grown to be quite the interactive teammate."

Hondros, a Bartlett High School freshman, won gold in the 25-meter freestyle swim, and Tran, a Streamwood High School senior, was a gold medalist in the 200 run.

"Tina has a constant smile, thoughtful disposition, and always, always demonstrates good sportsmanship," Reynolds said of Hondros. "In every event I have ever seen her compete in, she initiates kind conversations with the athletes she is sitting next to and competing against."

Of Tran, Reynolds said: "Laila is a bright light and is constantly positive and lifting each person up, including her coaches. She is never without a smile on her face and celebrates both victories and challenging events with the same vigor and positive attitude."

Miller, a junior at Larkin High School in Elgin, took gold in the 50 backstroke swim event.



Scampering into the secondary

The Royals' Steven Skeate, left, attempting to pull down Streamwood running back Sirrion Dixon from behind as he approached the goal line after breaking away for a big gain during the Sabres victory over the Larkin on Friday, Sept. 6. For story and more photos see page 12.

(Examiner photo by Bruce Leighty)

Remembrance event slated for Sept. 11

On behalf of the Veterans Memorial Commission, with the Streamwood police and fire departments, the Village of Streamwood invites the public to attend a 9-11 Ceremony scheduled to take place at the Streamwood Veterans Memorial

on Wednesday, Sept. 11, at 7 p.m.

The event is a remembrance for the innocent victims – civilians, police officers, firefighters and emergency medical personnel – who perished in the Sept. 11, 2001 terror attacks.

Emergency repair work ratified at two schools

By Seth Hancock
The Board of Education in School District U-46 approved a pair of emergency proposals totaling \$158,117 at its meeting on Monday, Aug. 26.
Both items were on work completed over the summer by Diemer Plumbing and Excavating, Ltd., and both were paid for by the operations and maintenance fund. The board voted 6-0 on both items, board member Melissa Owens was absent.
Costing \$108,577, Diemer performed work on Aug. 7 at Lowrie Elementary School in Elgin.

The proposal stated that there was trapped moisture in the wall of Lowrie’s library and Diemer was already performing work and “the area was excavated in an endeavor to weatherproof the exterior brick and fill in any gaps in the masonry.”
“During the excavation, however, it was discovered that a section of footing was missing and an emergency repair was needed to ensure the structural integrity of the building,” the proposal added. “This repair was completed and verified by the engineering firm as well as district staff.”
Sue Kerr, the board’s president, asked if the missing footing was part of the original building.

“It’s part of the original building,” said Bruce Phelps, senior business official. “Once they started digging, they had detected that the foundation has deteriorated more than what they thought, so they can only dig so many feet at a time and repair that back fill with concrete and then move on to the next section to do the whole wall.”
Board member Kate Thommes asked when Lowrie was built and U-46 CEO Tony Sanders said in 1896.
Diemer also performed emergency work at Tefft Middle School in Streamwood on July 31 costing \$49,540.
The proposal stated that water had been discovered flowing into one of Tefft’s classrooms at the end of the last school year, and the water was leaking below the floor tile. U-46 worked with Diemer “to diagnose the issue, re-grade the area, redirect the water, and install additional catch basins.”
Diemer was the only business to provide a quote.
“Due to the urgency of this needed repair, we accepted Diemer’s quote and proceeded with the repair in order to have the project completed before the return of students,” the proposal stated. “We also needed to expedite this project in order to monitor the space before reinstalling the flooring.”

Easement for sewer work approved at meeting

By Kristin Carreno
Trustees voted unanimously in favor of an ordinance accepting a temporary construction easement and a permanent utility easement for proposed storm sewer work at 521 Hillside Drive at the Village Board meeting on Thursday, Sept. 5.
According to Director of Public Works Matt Mann, there is an area on South Victoria Lane that experiences flooding during significant rain events.
“This flooding affects South Victoria Lane, Hillside Drive and Woodridge Lane,” said Mann. “There are times that a few houses downstream on Woodridge Lane are impacted.”
Storm water analysis determined installing additional inlets and a storm sewer from South Victoria Lane south to Hillside Drive and discharging the water into the Hillside reservoir will help reduce the risk of flooding, according to Mann.

“In general, there’s a pipe that drains that area that goes through 521 Hillside Drive into the reservoir that’s too small,” Mann said. “We need to put a new one in that’s a little bit bigger.”
A new 30-inch storm sewer will be installed in the new easement along the property line, according to Mann. A temporary construction easement is required to allow the access and proposed work along the property line.
The proposed work will require access to the property on Hillside Drive, according to Mann. The resident at 521 Hillside Drive has agreed to grant the easements to the village.
The disturbed areas will be restored as needed, Mann indicated.
Trustee William Harper asked if the resident has had any “water issues related to this.”
“He has not on his parcel but he does see some water sitting in the street sometimes,” Mann responded. “We’d like to get started as soon as possible.”

U-46 bills

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with Van Acker and Associates for a behavioral consultant.
To renew the district’s software for data management of 504 plans, a contract with EmbraceIEP costing \$51,490 (grant funds) was approved.
A proposal with Dale Carnegie Training for professional development of operations staff was approved costing \$48,300 (education fund).
A contract renewal with Unified Business Solutions was approved costing \$30,067 (education fund) for Microsoft Dynamics GP2016 software used for purchasing and financial operations.
With Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, the board renewed a contract costing \$29,025 (education fund) for READ 180 and System 44 programs.
A contract renewal with BMC Software, Inc. was approved costing \$28,536 (education fund) for its Foot-

prints software which the proposal says is “a flexible integrated IT service management platform which provides end-to-end flow for Incident and Problem Management.”
A bid with Wisco was approved to purchase 11 metal inert gas welding machines for Elgin High School costing \$26,290 (grant funds)
Also by a 6-0 vote, the board approved \$10.1 million in itemized bills.

Archery deer permits available OTC

Resident combination and antlerless-only archery deer permits are available over-the-counter (OTC) from DNR Direct license and permit vendors. Find a vendor link at <https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/LPR/Pages/LicensePermitVendors.aspx>.

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Letters

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Since Colorado legalized weed, fatal crashes whose driver tested positive for marijuana has doubled. There has been an increase in marijuana-related emergency room visits, hospitalizations, and violent crime. More than a fourth of Colorado's middle and high school students use pot more than once daily. Chronic use by those under 25 can lead to a permanent loss of up to 8 IQ points. Instead of making Big Marijuana richer, make your community a refuge for families seeking to shield their loved ones from this drug's destructive path. Talk to your local elected officials about opting your community out. The costs of legal pot to families, communities, and lives are not worth it.

Kathy Valente
Director of Operations
Illinois Family Institute

Pritzker promises budget stability from progressive tax, but can taxpayers trust him?
Dear Editor,

Gov. J.B. Pritzker wants to build up Illinois' depleted reserve fund to help stabilize the state's financial future, but that promise depends on voters approving a progressive income tax structure at the polls in November 2020. The governor really wants voters to trust that Illinois lawmakers will wisely spend the more than \$3 billion he says a progressive income tax would generate for the state (several outside organizations have questioned the governor's revenue estimates). He's said it's the only way to steady the state's finances. As it stands, Illinois has enough cash stashed away to operate for one-tenth of a day. That's about \$10 million. Other states have managed to put away much more over the past decade as the economy has continually improved. Michigan has socked away about \$1 billion, enough cash for that state to operate for 36.1 days. Wyoming has the biggest rainy day fund. It was holding about \$1.5 billion in reserve at the end of Fiscal Year 2018. That's enough cash for the state to operate for more than a year (366.9 days). Illinois' nearly empty Budget Stabilization Fund doesn't need to hold a year's worth of spending in reserve. A few months worth of cash on hand would go a long way toward reassuring creditors and taxpayers that Illinois' is on the right financial track. The fund, established in 2001, has never carried a big balance because elected officials in this state have never seen a nickle they didn't want to spend.

Twice. Lawmakers passed a resolution this spring to ask voters to change the state's constitution to allow for a progressive income tax that would have higher rates for higher earners. It would scrap the state's existing flat income tax and make it easier for the state's Democrat-controlled legislature to raise taxes on smaller groups of people. Hiking taxes on everyone at once is unpopular. It's much easier to carve up the state's residents into smaller groups based on income and hike taxes for a subset of the state's taxpayers. It's more politically palatable. But who can trust Illinois lawmakers? For the past 40 years, we've seen more of the same tax-and-spend policies that have left the state's pension systems dangerously underfunded and the state's credit just a notch above junk status. A temporary income tax increase passed in 2011 was going to fix the state's public pension debt problem. It didn't. Pension debt continued to grow. The permanent income tax increase in 2017 was going to solve much of the state's fiscal problems. It didn't. Pension debt ballooned to \$135 billion and Illinois continued to operate on deficit budgets. Illinois has the worst credit rating in the nation. Some investors won't even buy the state's bonds. Given the legislature's track record, a progressive tax is a particularly unpleasant prospect. Even more unpleasant is the realization that Pritzker knows it's good policy to put money into the state's Budget Stabilization Fund, but that he won't do it until he gets his tax hike. Cut spending elsewhere so he can fund his priorities? No thanks. He'd rather take more from taxpayers who already shoulder one of the highest tax burdens in the country. Pritzker promised to put \$100 million into the fund each year going forward. That's right. Of the more than \$3 billion in estimated new revenue from a progressive tax if the constitutional amendment passes, the governor would put just 3.3 percent of it into the fund designed to blunt the effects of future fiscal emergencies or economic downturns – the kind of economic events that bring the state's most vulnerable residents to their most vulnerable point. Let's face it. The state isn't going to tax its way out of the fiscal mess it's in. That's been tried many times before and has failed. And Illinois taxpayers are already fleeing to other states by the tens of thousands each year as a result. Pritzker needs to face reality and finally push his party to seek the spending reforms that would actually put Illinois on a path to stability.

Brett Rowland
The Center Square

Tidbits

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Anderson Animal Shelter is happy to offer the opportunity for children and teens to engage in service learning off-site. This convenient option gives students the ability to create and execute their own service project all while truly making a difference in the lives of animals. Some service project ideas include creating your own fundraising project, collecting items from the shelter's wish list, making cat or dog toys, shredding newspapers and making blankets. For more information call 847-697-2880 or visit www.andersonanimalshelter.org. The St. Charles Singles Club activities are planned, and singles 40-plus are invited to participate in the fun. There are many opportunities to meet friends for meals, to try new cuisines, to dance, bowl, play cards, volunteer and more. You can find a full listing of activities on the website: www.stcharlessinglesclub.com/. Visit

www.stcharlessinglesclub.com or call 630-665-0763 for more information. Open gym walking at The Salvation Army, 1710 S. 7th Ave., St. Charles. Variety of times, group meets Mondays 9 to 9:45 a.m. Fun and great exercise! Free, open to all. Cathy Winters for more information at 630-377-2769, ext. 210. Animal Shelter Supply Drive supporting various animal rescue groups. Kitten/cat/dog food of any kind, KMR-kitten replacement milk, cat litter/pans, collars, leashes, carriers/crates/cages, toys, scratching posts, cat condos, pet beds, old towels. No bedding please. Donation bin located at Heartland Animal Hospital on Stearns and Illinois Route 59. Sharpen those presentation skills for all of your social and professional interactions. Fox Valley Toastmasters combines incremental, self-paced practice with warm support—and guests are always welcome. Toastmasters—Where Leaders Are Made, second and fourth Thursdays, 7:15 to 8:45 p.m., second floor, St. Charles City Hall, 2 E. Main St.

The Examiner Asked

On Friday, Sept. 6, students at
Fox Meadow Elementary School:

What do you look forward to most about fall?



Olivia Ravsa: "I like to rake the leaves."



Haleigh Prill: "I like jumping in the leaves, jumping into the pile, and then raking them up again, and over and over."



Nathan Duddy: "I like dressing up for Halloween. This year I'm going to be a banana!"



Gianna Davis: "I like playing outside when the weather gets cooler."



Lia Aranda: "I love fall because it's so beautiful, with all the leaves changing color."



Olivia Rausa: "I like to rake leaves - I really do!"



Tyler Davis: "I like making a scary costume every year."



Aliya Edge: "Fall is fun because we can make purple candy cane, and make scary faces!"



Debbie Santos: "I love the fall because it's pumpkin season! Pumpkin cupcakes, pumpkin spice potpourri... everything pumpkin!"

(By Juli Schatz)

Annual village event returns to downtown

Friday through Sunday, Sept. 6, 7, and 8, the village hosted the 10th annual Bartlett Days event in downtown Bartlett. There were activities

for all ages, including live music, a kids fest at Banbury Fair, mini train rides and miniature golf, free trolley tours of historic places, a pet event

in Bartlett Park with more than a dozen adoption agencies. In addition, there was a display of the events of WWI at the Bartlett Histo-

ry Museum/Depot, arts and craft activities, artisans sharing their work, a magic show, food, and more.



Vendors promoted all kinds of products and services, from insurance to hand-tailored garments and jewelry.

(Examiner photos by Juli Schatz)



The Bartlett Historical Society offered free trolley rides to places of interest around the village.



Street vendors offered goods and handmade crafts along Oak Avenue.



Elijah Hopkins rang the train whistle in the depot museum.



The Bartlett High School cheer squad sponsored train rides.



Lisa Martin watched her daughter Taylor tie-dye a pair of socks.



Ann and Sean McGreal selected dress-up costumes for their granddaughters and grandson.



Carolyn Derango, left, performed karaoke with her mom Dr. Rosann Derango for passers-by.

(Examiner photos by Juli Schatz)



The band Character Fleadh played on the Town Center Sound Stage Sunday.



Hannah Davidson had her face painted by Jean Turten.

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Citizens' Advisory Council hosts 'Welcome Back' meeting Sept 12

Submitted by: Elgin Area School District U-46

Parents and residents who want to learn more about Elgin Area School District U-46, influence districtwide policies, and engage other parents and community members are invited to join the U-46 Citizens' Advisory Council, also known as "CAC."

The CAC's first meeting of the new school year is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 12 at Elgin High School, 1200 Maroon Drive, Elgin. It is open to the public and intended as an orientation for new members and those who may be interested in becoming members.

The council, which has been in existence for more than 60 years, is made up of volunteer parents and residents interested in local education who represent U-46 schools across 11 communities. CAC members help facilitate communication between District administration, the Board of Education, and individual schools. The CAC also provides meaningful feedback to U-46 on Districtwide issues and programs.

"The Citizens' Advisory Council is a unique and valuable group to the U-46 community. The feedback they have given on a variety of important issues, from finance to family engagement, has been valuable in helping the District and Board of Education gain a better understanding

of the hopes and priorities of U-46 families," said U-46 CEO Tony Sanders. "Together we are all working to provide outstanding educational opportunities for all students."

The CAC and its committees will be focusing this year on growing parental and community involvement to ensure everyone has a voice in the District, said CAC Chair Larry Bury.

Bury said in his eight years of involvement with CAC, notable highlights have included serving on various committees addressing a number of topics and representing the council as a member of the Alignment Collaborative for Education (ACE) Operating Board. As a co-chair

of the CAC Finance Committee, he became involved in early discussions of how to update U-46's college and career readiness efforts, which has evolved into the District's Educational Pathways plan.

Being a CAC member is a great opportunity to provide a voice for your students and your school," he said. "The networking with parents and community members, ability to interact with key District administrators, and ability to work on issues of concern on various committees is unique and valuable to your school community."

The CAC oversees five standing committees: Family and Community Engagement (FACE), Finance, Instructional Initiatives, School Safety, and Specialized Student

Services. The CAC's FACE committee seeks to strengthen family and community involvement within the District.

That committee started a popular outreach event to local real estate agents to educate them on services the District offers, so the real estate agents can better inform prospective home buyers.

The Finance committee is working to provide valuable input on infrastructure improvements and Instructional Initiatives committee members have helped U-46 staff determine and implement new educational programs and have been involved with the District's one-to-one technology rollout. The School Safety committee has updated the student handbook and improved the process to gather parent feedback on disciplinary policies.

The Specialized Student Services committee provides support and information geared mainly for parents of the District's special education students. The committee regularly brings in highly qualified experts who can help families better navigate common concerns and issues.

The Specialized Student Services committee will again this year present a series of programs aimed primarily at educating and supporting the special needs community within U-46, though the general public is invited. The programs for the 2019-20 school year are as follows:

SSI, SSDI, HFS, DHS, PUNS -- Understanding the Alphabet Soup.

Tuesday, Oct. 15 at 6:30 p.m. Gail Borden Public

Library

Unraveling Anxiety.

Tuesday, Jan. 14 at 6:30 p.m. Poplar Creek Public

Library, Meeting Room 1.

Each District

U-46 school can have up to five registered representatives on the CAC. Those who would like to volunteer as a CAC representative are asked to contact the principal at one of the schools in their attendance zone. Parents and/or community members may also apply

for two "At-Large-Membership" positions by calling the District's School & Community Relations Department at (847) 888-5000 ext. 5003.

CAC General Assembly meeting dates for the 2019-20 school year can be found below. All meetings are open to the public and Spanish translation is always available.

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Education nonprofit requests \$51K from U46 for services

By: Rafael Guerrero



The U46 Explore event, held last year at the Sears Centre in Hoffman Estates, was organized by Alignment Collaborative for Education and helped introduce U46 eighth-graders to a wide variety of job options.

The Alignment Collaborative for Education, the Elgin-area nonprofit group assisting School District U46 in implementing its career pathways plan, is requesting \$51,000 in funding for the 2019-20 fiscal year.

The amount is the same as had been provided last year, organization Chairman Peter Sikorski told U46 school board members Monday. The Elgin-area district is the largest funding source for the early education/trauma-informed care/pathways group, with 28% of its annual revenue coming from U46.

Sikorski and other officials said the nonprofit is playing an important role in helping the district create a new structure in which high school students will choose a career and follow a pathway providing the education needed to help them achieve their goal.

“We can continue to build momentum within the community — particularly the corporate organizations — so that it will continue to take U46’s piece of the pie down,” he said. “We are on the cusp of doing great things.”

The corporate sector provides about 43% of the nonprofit’s \$200,000 budget, either through grants or donations. Municipal governments, including the city of Elgin and the village of Hanover Park, contribute a combined 13%.

No vote was taken at Monday’s school board meeting, but Sikorski, Executive Director Nancy Coleman and other alignment board members did a presentation on what was accomplished in 2018-19.

More than 6,000 high school and middle school students attended Alignment events or benefited from services during the 2018-19 school year, up from about 1,100 in the 2017-18 school year.

Explore 2019, the career and curriculum expo the Alignment Collaborative coordinates with the district, is attended by more than 3,000 eighth-grade students. About 90

businesses and organizations at the event this week will provide students with information about career options in the Elgin area.

The group also helps students find internships or visit local employers, Coleman said.

“When two students get to go to Nicor and other students get to go to Elgin Sweeper and the village of Bartlett ... it’s hard to replicate that in a classroom,” she said.

“We don’t need the money, but we would love more internships,” U46 board President Sue Kerr said.

Alignment has recruited 135 business and community partners to support its work in three focus areas — early education, trauma-informed care and career pathways, Sikorski said.

Volunteers logged more than 3,200 hours, up from last year, and the number business/community partners has also increased, he said.

SPORTS

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Turnaround specialist

Leon scores tying goal as Bartlett rallies against South Elgin

By: Paul Johnson



South Elgin’s Jose Rangel, left, and Bartlett’s Edgar Leon battle for control of the ball during the first half of Monday’s game. The teams played to a 2-2 tie.

All that Bartlett’s Edgar Leon wanted was another chance.

After seeing a scoring opportunity come up short in the first half against South Elgin, the senior midfielder waited for his chance to strike.

Leon cashed in with 4:09 left in the second half, forcing a 2-2 tie in Monday’s Upstate Eight game, and that ended up being the final score.

“I was just waiting for my turn and it came to me,” Leon said. “I missed one in the first half. I came back and tied it for my team.”

Bartlett (3-1-2, 1-0-1) fell behind 2-0 early in the second half.

With 27:01 left in the second half, a free kick from Elijah Patrick was put in by Edwin Ayala to open the scoring for South Elgin (2-4-2, 0-1-1).

Four minutes later, Danny Quintana buried a 35-yard shot off a feed from Jose Rangel.

“Bartlett played very well and they kind of took us out of our element a little bit,” South Elgin coach Jerzy Skowron said. “They kind of got us having to think quickly.

“We had to figure out a way to break them down playing the ball out of the back, pull them out of position and hit them.”

Despite falling behind by two goals, Bartlett kept going.

“It hurts when that happens,” Leon said. “They took advantage. They scored another one and we kept getting our heads lower. Next thing you know, coach is screaming, ‘Intensity. Heads up.’ ”

It worked as Hernan Garcia sparked the comeback with 13:53 left, scoring to cut the lead to 2-1. Then Leon tied it.

“I’d like to talk about the missed opportunities of a possible win,” Bartlett coach Vince Revak said. “But the bottom line is the way things were going before the last 20 minutes, we definitely came out with a positive result.

“We told the boys, if they play with that intensity the whole game long, I think we would have pulled out the result.”

Leon had one more shot in the final minute, but it was saved, with South Elgin preserving the tie.

“Every player knows it’s panic time in the box,” Revak said. “He got the shot off and it’s on goal. As a coach, that’s what you want.

“But, man, you think back and those are the moments you wish as a player you could have back.”

The game introduced a new traveling trophy between the two rivals, which Skowron has tentatively titled the Thunder Hawk.

To determine who took it home, the two teams went to penalty kicks, with Bartlett winning, although the game was officially a tie.

“A positive spin on the rivalry between us — was a nice little touch,” Skowron said.

Paul Johnson is a freelance reporter for The Courier-News.

Hawks volleyball rallies to top Trinity in three sets

By Seth Hancock

The Bartlett volleyball team overcame a slow start to defeat Trinity 22-25, 25-23, 25-21 in nonconference play on Thursday, Sept. 5 at Bartlett. Although losing the first set, the match win started in that set as the Hawks rallied from a nine-point deficit to pull within one. Bartlett fell behind 13-4 early and still trailed by nine at 22-13 when the Hawks used an 8-0 run behind three kills from Riyana Chacko and two aces from Bella Diaz to pull to 22-21. Bartlett never went ahead in the opening set, but momentum carried over as the Hawks used another 8-0 run, led by four aces from Kirsten Munar, to take a 13-7 lead in Game 2. The Hawks held a 22-16 lead when Trinity rallied to tie it at 23-23, but a pair of errors ended the set in favor of Bartlett

which led throughout Game 3 that ended on a kill from Bria Lomax (eight kills, eight blocks). “Even though it was a loss, it was a win momentum-wise,” Bartlett coach Bob Schwantz said of Game 1. “We took that momentum into Game 2 and won it. They kind of did the same thing and took some of the momentum into Game 3 and told the girls to be aware of that, and they did a good job finishing the match.” Madison Hankins led the Hawks with 11 kills and three blocks, and she committed no errors on the night. Diaz had 10 digs, four kills and three aces and Schwantz called her the team MVP as she was on-point in every aspect of the game. “(Hankins) played much better tonight then she had been last week,” Schwantz said. “She had been making

a lot of errors, and tonight she had zero.” Of Diaz, Schwantz said: “If there was an MVP tonight, it was her. She did everything right tonight. Her serving was on, her back row was on, she was hitting the ball hard for some kills. If we can get all six players on the court to play like that consistently, we’re going to be a really tough team to beat.” Dakota Johnson (six kills, eight digs, ace), Taylor Leo (seven blocks) and Amanda Collier (four aces) all contributed. The win, which improved Bartlett to

6-1 overall, was a bounce back after the Hawks dropped their Upstate Eight Conference opener in a 25-22, 25-12 match against Glenbard South on Tuesday, Sept. 3 at Glenbard South. The loss was an early hit on the Hawks goal of a conference title, but Schwantz said his team can rebound. “(Glenbard South) had a lot of strong hitters,” Schwantz said. “It makes it a little harder to get that conference championship, but that’s our mulligan. We can’t afford another loss. We can still win it, but it’s just a bigger hill to climb now.”

Storm volleyball splits six matches during week

By Seth Hancock

The South Elgin volleyball team overcame some errors to defeat Streamwood 25-21, 25-12 in its Upstate Eight Conference opener on Tuesday, Sept. 3 at South Elgin. The Storm were locked in a tight Game 1 battle and it was tied 18-18 when a Streamwood miscue and an Angie Negrón kill gave them the lead for good with another Negrón kill later ending the set. In Game 2, South Elgin built an early lead and ran away late. “We realized that a majority of their points were from our errors in Game 1,” Negrón said. “We just focused on limiting those errors in the second game. We started picking it up and playing at our own game level.” Negrón had a big day with 13 kills and four digs as the Storm’s only returning senior this year, and she came up big late in Game 2 to help South Elgin pull away. South Elgin led 10-6 when it started to build a cushion. Negrón had three big kills as the Storm built a 22-10 lead and led by double-digits the rest of the set. “She does realize that it’s her last year here,” South Elgin coach Joni Plach said of Negrón. “She’s always positive. She likes to hit the ball hard, and it’s fun to watch her.” Allison Cuniffe (17 assists, two

aces), Alyssa Worden (five digs, ace), Maggie McGough (four digs), Isabella Tusa (three kills) and Emma Hunter (two aces) all contributed. For Plach, it was good competition to start the UEC and bounce back from a season opening loss. “Streamwood, I’ve never seen that program play as well in many years,” Plach said. “Their defense was solid. It was good competition for us.” Against Lake Park, the Storm dropped a 21-25, 25-23, 25-21 nonconference match on Thursday, Sept. 5 at Lake Park. Worden (14 kills, 14 digs, ace), Brooke Elders (seven kills, two blocks), Negrón (six kills, 15 digs, four aces), McGough (21 digs, three aces), Cuniffe (22 assists, six digs), Hunter (eight digs, ace) and Tusa (ace) led the effort. South Elgin went to 3-4 on the season after finishing the week with a 2-2 performance at the West Aurora tournament on Saturday, Sept. 7. The Storm defeated Plainfield South (26-24, 27-25) and Sycamore (25-14, 25-20) but lost to Vernon Hills (18-25, 25-17, 25-21) and Plainfield East (25-20, 28-26). Negrón (33 kills, 37 digs, three aces), Worden (32 kills, 47 digs), Tusa (18 kills, 11 digs), Elders (14 kills, four blocks), McGough (36 digs, three aces), Hunter (23 digs), Cuniffe (86 assists, three aces) and Maria Sierra (three aces) led on the day.

South Elgin football runs over East Aurora 57-0

By Seth Hancock

The South Elgin football team ran away with an easy Upstate Eight Conference victory after a 57-0 win over East Aurora on Friday, Sept. 6 in Aurora. It was the second lopsided victory for the Storm after defeating West Chicago 65-0, and South Elgin is 2-0 overall and in the UEC. “If we keep it up, we’re going to have a good season,” said Corve King, who finished with 58 rushing yards and was one of five different Storm players to find the end zone as he finished with two touchdowns. The game was primarily on the ground as South Elgin outgained East Aurora 442-85 for total yardage with 404 of those yards rushing. The Storm

had three different rushers score in the first quarter for a 22-0 lead, and they built a 43-0 lead by halftime. Marquis Gillespie II led the effort with four carries for 178 yards and three touchdowns. Quarterback Ben Karpowicz followed with 64 rushing yards and a TD. “This is the first time I had three touchdowns in a varsity game,” Gillespie II said. “Our coaches told us that they were going to be coming into the gaps. That was the game plan.” Arif Mahmudi and Vince Clinite both had a rushing touchdown, Andrew Bucaro was 7-for-7 on extra points and the Storm converted a two-point conversion. Karpowicz made just two passes and completed one, a 38-yard completion by Calin Gurau.

Law to require financial aid forms from all high school graduates

By Capitol News Illinois staff

Illinois high school students will soon have to complete some form of college financial aid application as a condition of graduation. Gov. J.B. Pritzker on Friday, Aug. 2 signed House Bill 2719, which requires that, starting in the 2020-2021 school year, high school students must fill out a Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA form, or an alternative form to be created by the Illinois State Board of Education, as a condition for receiving a high school diploma. The new law allows students and their families to opt out of the requirement by signing a document indicating they understand what the forms are and that they have chosen not to participate. Pritzker said the goal of the new law is to increase college participation rates among high school graduates by making sure they understand what options are available to them. “Beginning in the fall of 2020, this

law will help give students the freedom to choose the pathway that’s best for them — not the path they’re forced down because nobody gave them the information to explore other options,” Pritzker said in a statement. Sen. Andy Manar, D-Bunker Hill, is a lead sponsor of the bill. He said the new law should not be seen as a new barrier to high school graduation. “This measure would allow us to maximize the number of students who apply for and receive federal student aid without creating an undue burden that stops some students from graduating,” Manar said in a statement. The final version of the bill passed the Senate on May 28 by a vote of 39-13. The House concurred with the Senate version on June 1 by a vote of 71-39.



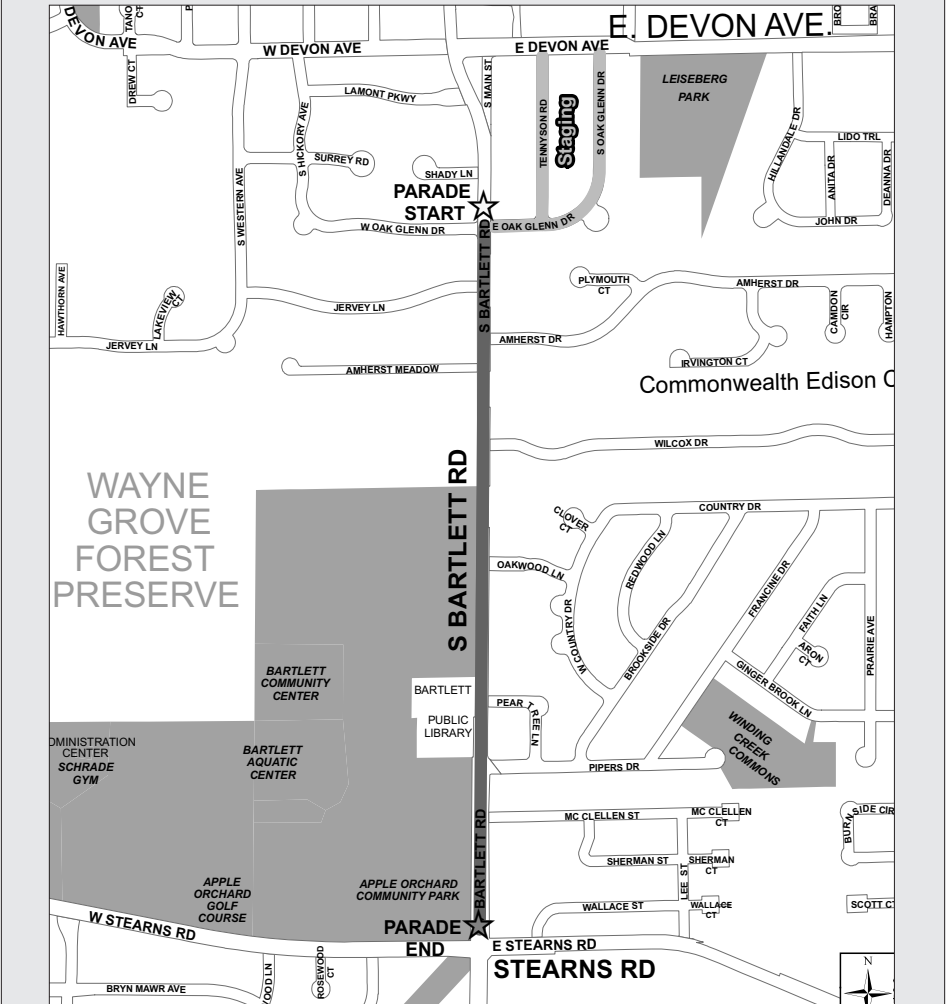
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Traffic advisory: BHS homecoming parade

Bartlett High School’s homecoming parade is Sunday, Sept. 15, at 1 p.m. A large number of students, vehicles and floats will be participating in this annual school event. The designated staging areas are on East Oak Glenn Drive and Tennyson Road. The parade will travel southbound on South Bartlett Road from East Oak Glenn Drive

and finish near the intersection of South Bartlett and Stearns roads. Please be aware side streets along the parade route will be closed and traffic will be diverted during the duration of the parade. Motorists should also be careful for parade participants and spectators walking to and from the event.



Homecoming parade route for Sunday, Sept 15. (Courtesy photo)

Dealing with in-laws that become outlaws

It probably sounds terrible but when I hear the word in-law it makes me think of the word out-law. Almost everyone has in-laws when they get married unless they are no longer alive. Some of the biggest complaints from women that are newlywed are that it is difficult to get along with the in-laws and while some may wonder why, others know exactly how it feels. This difficulty usually focuses on the mother-in-law and her daughter-in-law. When my mother-in-law was alive we weren't really close, mainly because there was such a long distance between us, but I can honestly say we got along and probably because she lived over 1,000 miles away. For many married women getting along with their husband's mother isn't always easy. Some brides will start out not being too fond of their in-laws and the groom's family will feel the same way. They both try to get along but unfortunately that doesn't always work out. It can create a problem when the families don't get along with each other and cause a rift between husband and wife. Often times, try as they may, mother-in-law and her son's bride just don't like each other and it becomes apparent they will never get along.

Over the years comedians have made a living making fun of in-laws, especially the mother-in-law who never believes any woman is good enough for her son. She doesn't like the way her daughter-in-law cooks her beloved son's meals, feels she isn't the greatest mom to the grandchildren and her house looks dingy. What she isn't thinking about is the fact that there's a big difference between her life-style and that of her son's wife because times have changed.

I don't believe that most in-laws plan on disliking their daughter-in-law, or son-in-law for that matter, but to the mom of a son, the new "daughter" may not be good enough in her opinion, and for that matter the daughter-in-law may dislike her new "mother" if she starts interfering and making too many comments. That could rub the new wife the wrong way and so, they barely speak to each other. It seems more daughters-in-law get along better with their father-in-law, but that might be because he doesn't care what the new wife cooks for his son or how she runs her home.

Suddenly, there is a new baby in the family and for a short time mother and daughter-in-law become allies working for the same goal which is keeping baby happy. After the glow and newness of the baby wears off granny starts giving mountains of advice to her daughter-in-law on how to raise the child believing she knows better and her son's wife is not capable of taking care of her grandchild. At this point, not only do the squabbles continue but new ones are in play as well. Wouldn't it be great if in-laws got along? So many families have been ripped apart because the women just didn't see eye to eye. Advice is great, especially from an older person, but most new brides and new mother's want to do things their own way. For the bride, even her own mom when giving advice is told that it's a new era and her old fashioned remedies don't work.


Some in-laws have had horrible experiences and ended up not ever speaking to each other again which causes sadness for the grandchildren who don't get to see grandma and grandpa, and even if they do these kids can feel the tension within the family. It shouldn't be that way and when your children marry, whoever they choose, the in-laws should ac-

cept them and try working with the newlyweds. It is also important that the new daughter-in-law understand that her husband's mother raised him since he was an infant and loved and nurtured him, so it may be difficult for her to let go. She wants the best for

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By Rachel

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him, and as for mother-in-law she needs to understand that he is an adult and that making decisions on his own, including the wife and mother he chooses for his children should be accepted with understanding and love.

Would you like to cheer up our troops during the holidays? The Auxiliary to Bartlett VFW Post 11018 will be at the Bartlett Public Library, 800 S. Bartlett Road, Bartlett on Saturday, Sept. 14, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the lobby. They will have a list of items to give you, to purchase, and bring back to the Bartlett Library by Sept. 30.

Sabres volleyball endures through difficult week

By Seth Hancock

The Streamwood volleyball team dropped its Upstate Eight Conference opener in a 25-21, 25-12 match against South Elgin on Tuesday, Sept. 3 at South Elgin.

After a close first set from start to finish, South Elgin controlled Game 2 most of the way. A kill from Vivian Sumoski (three kills) and a Natalie Stoch (three kills) ace helped the Sabres tie the second set at 3-3, but South Elgin took control with a 7-2 run for a 10-5 lead.

The host steadily added to its lead building a 22-10 advantage, and it led by double digits the rest of the set.

"We missed a lot of serves in Game 2, and Game 1 as well, but they've got a lot of weapons up front and credit to South Elgin," said Streamwood coach Shelly Mueller. "They're a good team."

Streamwood kept close throughout Game 1 which was tied 18-18 when South Elgin tallied the next two points to take the lead for good and went on a 6-2 run for game-point at 24-20. A Sumoski kill kept Streamwood alive

These items will then be brought to Operation Support Our Troops and used to stuff Christmas stockings for our military, which will begin in October! If you have any questions, please call 373-0422 or email BartlettVFWAux@gmail.com. Your support is very much appreciated!

Everyone is invited to the Tri-Village Garden Club of Bartlett, Hanover Park and Streamwood meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the Poplar Creek Public Library, 1405 S. Park, Streamwood, to hear Carol Cichorski's presentation, "Dahlias-Living Fireworks," The cost is free. For additional information, please contact Wally Groble 497-1958 or Sandy Swenson 837-0281 or visit the website www.trivillagegardenclub.org.

Immanuel United Church of Christ will hold its Family Fun Fest Saturday, Sept. 21, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the church, located at 1500 Old Church Road, Streamwood. All activities are free to the community. Activities include: face painting, inflatable houses and slides, live entertainment, petting zoo, free bicycle raffle, and more. Food and beverages from Tortuga Tacos will be available at family-friendly prices. For more information, call the church office at 837-0190 or visit their website at www.streamwoodiucc.org.

before South Elgin tallied the final point. Despite the loss, the Sabres fought throughout the night. "I was excited to see our fight," Mueller said. "They never gave up and kept going at it. Every point, they went all out."

Kaylee Angle tallied four kills and Mariely Sotelo three, and Mary Rackow added 10 assists. Hannah Jenig recently moved to libero for the Sabres, and she finished with seven digs.

"I loved her energy," Mueller said of Jenig. "She brings the confidence that we need to see that she's not going to let the ball hit the floor."

Over a long weekend, the Sabres went 0-7 to fall to 3-12 on the year.

Streamwood lost to Oswego East (25-14, 25-8), Wheaton Academy (26-24, 25-18) and Antioch (25-12, 25-15) at the Oswego East quad on Friday, Sept. 6. The Sabres fell to Naperville Central (25-6, 25-12), Plainfield South (28-26, 25-15), Romeoville (25-15, 25-10) and Genoa-Kingston (25-19, 25-13) at the West Aurora Invite on Saturday, Sept. 7.

Take time to give back to your local community by joining the Streamwood Woman's Club. Enjoy fellowship with members who work on local philanthropic projects to help the community become a better place to live. They meet at 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of every month, September through May, at the Streamwood Police Station. Membership is open to any woman who is 18 years and older. Not restricted to Streamwood residents. Contact Anita at 247-2359 for more information.

The Tri-Village Garden Club of Bartlett, Hanover Park and Streamwood holds general meetings at the Poplar Creek Public Library at 1405 S. Park, Streamwood, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month from February through November. For additional information, please contact Wally Groble at 497-1958 or Sandy Swenson at 837-0281 or visit the web site at www.trivillagegardenclub.org.

In the days before the American Revolution, patriots would gather in local taverns to discuss the issues of the day and consider remedies to their grievances. Continuing on this tradition, West Suburban Patriots invites you to Patriots' Pub. This is a casual get together with no guest speaker or structured program, just an opportunity to gather with like-minded citizens. Cash bar and pub food available for purchase. Patriot's Pub Nights will be held every other Tuesday at Chrissy's, 552 N. Gary Ave., Carol Stream from 7 to 10 p.m. For more details, see westsuburbanpatriots.com.

Interested in playing bridge? Join in at the Hanover Township Senior Center, Illinois Route 59, Bartlett. Bridge is played on the second and fourth Tuesdays (duplicate bridge on the first and third) from 1 to 4 p.m. Open to all residents in the area. For more information, call 483-5600.

Operation Airlift-Donations are being accepted at the following locations: VFW Post 5151, 520 S. Bartlett Road, 483-0055, email contact@vfw5151.org; and Streamwood Chamber of Commerce, 820 S. Bartlett Road, Suite 108, Streamwood.

Animal Shelter Supply Drive supporting various animal rescue groups. Kitten/cat/dog food of any kind, cat litter/pans, collars, leashes, carriers/crates/cages, toys, scratching posts, cat condos, pet beds, old towels. No human bedding please. Donation bin located at Heartland Animal Hospital on Stearns and Illinois Route 59.

Traffic advisory: Irving Park Road expansion

The long-awaited expansion of Irving Park Road is underway! The Illinois Department of Transportation is widening Irving Park Road.

This will be a multi-year project. Widening will occur west of the McDonald's (Winchester Drive) to the Fire Station (Madison Drive). The first phase of the project began with utility relocations. The north side of the road will be expanded this fall; the south side

in the spring. A pedestrian and bike path will be installed on the south side of Irving Park Road as part of this project along with sound walls placed in the right-of-way. Roadwork and lane modifications are expected throughout the fall and into the early-winter season.

Please use caution in the area. Be careful of the changes to speed limits in work zones and be mindful of workers along the road.

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Bartlett soccer finishes 2-1 at Best of the West

By Seth Hancock

The Bartlett soccer team came out of the Best of the West Invite hosted by Naperville Central with a winning mark following two victories games after opening with a loss.

Against Naperville Central, the Hawks dropped a 2-0 game after the host found the net once in each half on Tuesday, Sept. 3. Bartlett keepers Israel Cuautle (three saves) and Jeremy Taylor (three saves) split time in the net.

That loss was the first of the season for Bartlett, and the Hawks bounced back with a 3-1 victory over Plainfield North on Thursday, Sept. 5.

“Overall, we were inconsistent, we looked like two completely different teams when looking at each game

side-to-side,” said Bartlett coach Vince Revak. “We may have been a little under prepared for the speed of play on turf for the first time Tuesday.”

Revak added: “However, the bounce back on Thursday is a great sign. Our intensity, both on the attacking and defending side of things, was wholly improved. It was the most dangerous we’ve looked offensively this season so far.”

Amine Medmoun, assisted by Kamil Jarzabek, got the Hawks on the board in the first half before Sean Cox found the net twice in the second half to put the game away. Cesar Palomares assisted the first second half goal while the second was unassisted.

In goal, Taylor started but suffered an injury five minutes in. Cuautle made

five saves over the remainder of play. The key to the bounce back was confidence, according to Revak.

“We played quickly, aggressively, and directly--all things we lacked against Central,” Revak said. “We still made some mistakes against Plainfield, but I think we did a much better job recovering from those mistakes.”

Bartlett ended the tournament by using a first half goal to defeat Sandburg 1-0 on Saturday, Sept. 7.

The Hawks are now 3-1-1 overall,

Emergency repair work ratified at two schools

By Seth Hancock

The Board of Education in School District U-46 approved a pair of emergency proposals totaling \$158,117 at its meeting on Monday, Aug. 26.

Both items were on work completed over the summer by Diemer Plumbing and Excavating, Ltd., and both were paid for by the operations and maintenance fund. The board voted 6-0 on both items, board member Melissa Owens was absent.

Costing \$108,577, Diemer performed work on Aug. 7 at Lowrie Elementary School in Elgin.

The proposal stated that there was trapped moisture in the wall of Lowrie’s library and Diemer was already performing work and “the area was excavated in an endeavor to weatherproof the exterior brick and fill in any gaps in the masonry.”

“During the excavation, however, it was discovered that a section of footing was missing and an emergency repair was needed to ensure the structural integrity of the building,” the proposal added. “This repair was completed and verified by the engineering firm as well as district staff.”

Sue Kerr, the board’s president, asked if the missing footing was part of the original building.

and Bartlett hopes to build off the tournament.

“We love adding tougher tournaments to our schedules,” Revak said. “It gives the players confidence to know that minimizing a few mistakes often means the difference between being competitive with better teams and being run over. These tougher games also allow us to identify critical areas of improvement that we can work on during later training sessions.”

Hawks volleyball perfect in winning U-46 Invite

By Seth Hancock

The Bartlett volleyball team battled out a nonconference season opening victory with a 29-27, 18-25, 26-24 win over Willowbrook on Monday, Aug. 26 at Bartlett.

In both set wins, the Hawks had to rally from late deficits. Bartlett trailed most of Game 1 facing as large as a five-point deficit and trailing 23-19 heading into the final stretch, but it rallied eventually winning the set on an Amanda Collier kill.

Bartlett never led in Game 2, and it fell behind 6-2 early in Game 3 and again faced as big as a five-point deficit.

“It tells me that whoever we play against, they’re never going to give up,” said Bartlett coach Bob Schwantz. “There were times we were down but fairly large margins late, but they kept at it.”

Trailing 19-15 in the final set, the Hawks clawed back starting with a Bria Lomax kill and eventually an Abigail Weithofer kill gave them a 22-21 lead. Willowbrook fought back to reach game-point at 24-22 before the Hawks scored the final four points

ending with an error with kills by Lomax and Bella Diaz just prior.

Lomax, a freshman, had a big Game 3 tallying seven of her game-high 10 kills in the final set. Bartlett also got seven kills each from Diaz and Dakota Johnson (ace), four from Madison Hankins (21 digs) and Kirsten Munar contributed 17 digs and an ace.

“We obviously have to get Bria more touches,” Schwantz said. “She had a huge game in her first varsity match. But overall, it was a pretty balanced attack.”

Bartlett went on to go 4-0, improving to 5-0 overall, to win the U-46 Invite on Saturday, Aug. 31 at Streamwood. The Hawks defeated fellow U-46 teams Elgin, Larkin and Streamwood as well as Elgin Academy, which is not a U-46 school.

“Winning it all was number one, but I also wanted to get everybody in,” Schwantz said. “I wanted to see everybody as much as I could. Some of the matches started to get a little close so I couldn’t get people in as much, but we do have a pretty solid group of back-ups.”

Forest Preserve District to host fall Nature Tykes series

According to the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, insects, spiders and leaves, will be the themes for fall’s preschooler nature programs by the district.

In Nature Tykes, 3 year olds explore the natural world through a variety of activities with their parent or caregiver. Sessions include stories, nature hikes, songs, games or crafts. On Thursday, Sept. 26, “Insect Wonderland,” will be the theme. On Thursday, Oct. 25, “Spider Mania,” will be the theme, and on Thursday, Nov. 21, “Leaf-O-Rama,” will be the theme. Nature Tykes programs run from 9:30

to 10:30 a.m. at Creek Bend Nature Center. Registration is \$5 per child, per session.

Little Naturalists is the forest preserve district’s hour-long program for 4- and 5-year-old children where they will discover the wonders of nature through a variety of activities including songs, hikes, stories, games or crafts. This program is for the young participants. Parents, caregivers and siblings may enjoy the trails of LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve, or wait inside the nature center, during the program. On Thursday,

To register, call 630-444-3190 or email programs@kaneforest.com. Creek Bend Nature Center is located within LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve at 37W700 Dean St., St. Charles.

To see a full roster of Forest Preserve District nature programs, visit www.kaneforest.com. Find us on social media by searching @forestpreserve.

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they belong. Please help by donating food or funds to Brunos Pet Pantry: they believe no one should have to give up a dog or cat because of money. They need your help! Please call 926-3610, or www.brunospantry.com.

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lowed to direct traffic in Bartlett for emergency situations. My questions are: “Who is paying for this service”? “Why are we allowing another taxing body to service the Village of Bartlett, when we have other professional organizations to come to the aid of Bartlett?” For example, Streamwood Police Department, West Chicago Police Department, Hanover Park Police Department, Wayne Police Department, the Sheriff County of DuPage, and Cook County Sheriff Department, who have been properly trained in these emergency situations.

The community safety is a major concern. I encourage the Bartlett trustees to vote “no” to this agreement. As a former Bartlett Fire District Trustee, the Bartlett Fire District ceased using the Hanover Township Emergency Service in an emergency. “Why not the Village of Bartlett”? Jay Langfelder

Common sense, stop means stop
Dear Editor,

Stop means stop, cease moving as in stop for crossing guards, school buses, and pedestrians. It should not take a law to stop. Yes, bicyclists in Idaho can treat a stop sign as a yield sign, and bicyclists in Illinois have the dead red law at traffic lights, but let common sense and courtesy guide our safe operation. Please drive slower and stop for your neighbor.

Coincidentally our Village Board reviewed their Senior Survey. No surprise taxes and safety topped our list, it did mine. Mobility was on the list, as mine. We drive too fast. A speed limit is an invitation to plus five. As one of our seniors I feel safer pedaling 15

in a 35, than driving 30 in 35. One develops a sense of traffic the more you ride in it. Please slow down for old drivers, thanks for the three feet on my bike.

Terry Witt

Cost not worth the risks

Dear Editor,
The good thing about the new marijuana law is that communities can opt out of retail sales and limit drug traffic.

Don’t buy the “tax revenues” talking points. According to the Centennial Institute, “for every dollar gained in tax revenue, Coloradans spend approximately \$4.50 to mitigate the effects of legalization.”

Far from being an innocuous drug that the marijuana proponents portray as safe, marijuana has serious health risks that should alarm any community.

Cannabis use is likely to increase the risk of developing schizophrenia and other psychoses, including social anxiety disorder. People who used cannabis are almost three times as likely to use opiates.

Since Colorado legalized weed, fatal crashes whose driver tested positive for marijuana has doubled. There has been an increase in marijuana-related emergency room visits, hospitalizations, and violent crime.

More than a fourth of Colorado’s middle and high school students use pot more than once daily. Chronic use by those under 25 can lead to a permanent loss of up to 8 IQ points.

Instead of making Big Marijuana richer, make your community a refuge for families seeking to shield their loved ones from this drug’s destructive path.

Talk to your local elected officials about opting your community out. The costs of legal pot to families, communities, and lives are not worth it.

Kathy Valente
Director of Operations
Illinois Family Institute

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was transported to the police department for processing where she later posted bond and was released with an unspecified court date.

Wednesday, Sept. 4

★ At 9:59 p.m., police responded to Walmart, 850 S. Barrington Road for a report of retail theft. Maria Herrera De Bravo, 61, of Center Avenue, Hanover Park, was arrested for retail theft/under \$300. She was given a village ordinance citation and advised of the court date at the police department.

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a domestic in progress. The officer separated the parties and restored peace.

★ At 7:27 p.m., police responded to the Associated Bank in the 200 block of Oneida for a report of an activated alarm. The premises were checked with negative results.

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Saturday, Aug. 24

★ At an unspecified time, in the 300 block of Illini, Alberto Basilio, 20, of the 100 block of Quail Run, was arrested for DUI, consumption of alcohol by a minor and possession of alcohol by a minor. Basilio was transported to the police department for processing and later posted bond and was released with an unspecified court date.

★ At 5:51 a.m., in the 400 block of Schmale, Dennis J. Ostrowski, 68, of the 500 block of Thornhill, was arrested for DUI. Ostrowski was transported to the police department for processing and later posted bond and was released with an unspecified court date.

Thursday, Aug. 29

★ At 1:29 a.m., in the vicinity of Bennett and North, Daniel T. Mutton, 45, of the 1200 block of Kings, West Chicago, was arrested for DUI. Mutton was transported to the police department for processing and later posted bond and was released with an unspecified court date.

★ At 9:49 p.m., Cornell K. Brisco, 35, of the 200 block of East St. Charles,

was arrested on an out of state warrant. Brisco was transported to DuPage County Jail.

Saturday, Aug. 31

★ At 4:55 a.m., in the 300 block of North Silverleaf, Shelly J. Kelly, 41, of the Silverleaf address, was arrested on two counts of domestic batter. Kelly was transported to DuPage County Jail.

★ At 9:53 p.m., in the 500 block of North Gary, Bernice A. Cash, 27, of the 500 block of Gunderson, was arrested for endangering the life or health of a child. Cash was transported to the police department for processing and later posted bond and was released with an unspecified court date.

Sunday, Sept. 1

★ At 3:45 a.m., in the vicinity of Chestnut and Kuhn, Jilyn Miller-Contreras, 53, of the 200 block of Sype, was arrested for DUI, DUI-BAC>.08, improper lane usage and making an improper turn. Miller-Contreras was transported to the police department for processing and later posted bond and was released with an unspecified court date.

★ At 4:15 p.m., in the 500 block of East North, Kristi D. Marek, 40, of the 700 block of North Gary, was arrested for retail theft. Marek was transported to DuPage County Jail.

Monday, Sept. 2

★ At 9:55 p.m., in the 500 block of East North, Salvatore J. Mangialommi, 34, of the 1100 block of Lillian, West Chicago, was arrested on an outstanding warrant. Mangialommi was transported to the police department for

processing and later posted bond and was released with an unspecified court date.

Tuesday, Sept. 3

★ At 12:42 a.m., in the 500 block of North Gary, Matthew J. Reed, 36, of the 700 block of Cypress, was arrested for violation of bail bond. Reed was transported to DuPage County Jail.

SOUTH ELGIN

Wednesday, Aug. 28

★ At 8:36 a.m., police responded to Best Buy, 424 Randall Road, for a 911 investigation.

★ At 12:22 p.m., police responded to the 0 block of West Ellington for a report of an activated alarm.

★ At 1:24 p.m., police responded to the 800 block of Fulton for a request to assist fire department personnel.

★ At 4:29 p.m., police responded to the 0 block of Village for a missing person report.

★ At 6:09 p.m., police responded to the vicinity of Randall and Gyor for a report of a malfunctioning traffic sign or signal.

★ At 9:15 p.m., police responded to the 1400 block of south Pembroke for a report of telephone harassment.

★ At 9:20 p.m., police responded to Rhyso and Bowes, LLC, 705 Bowes Road, for a report of an open door or window.

★ At 10:40 p.m., police responded to the 0 block of Melrose for a fireworks complaint.

★ At 11:07 p.m., police responded to the 200 block of Paine for a report of an activated residential fire alarm.

Thursday, Aug. 29

★ At 2:03 a.m., police responded to Home Depot, 440 Randall Road, for a report of fire alarm line trouble.

★ At 4:38 a.m., police responded to the 300 block of Riverview for a request to assist fire department personnel.

★ At 10:58 a.m., police responded to the State Street Bridge for a truancy complaint.

★ At 1:03 p.m., police responded to the 100 block of Woodrow for a fraud complaint.

★ At 1:27 p.m., police responded to the 800 block of North Water for a fraud complaint.

★ At 2:29 p.m., police responded to the 300 block of Dublin for a keep the peace request.

★ At 2:32 p.m., at the police department, 10 N. Water, officers took a fraud complaint.

★ At 2:51 p.m., police responded to the 300 block of Woodridge for a keep the peace request.

★ At 6:44 p.m., police responded to 4 Wheel Parts, 474 Redington Drive, for a report of an activated alarm.

★ At 7:41 p.m., police responded to Dairy Queen, 712 N. McLean Blvd.,

for a report of a suspicious incident.

★ At 9:15 p.m., police responded to the 500 block of Concord for a report of a hit and run.

Friday, Aug. 30

★ At 6:37 a.m., police responded to the vicinity of Stearns and Randall roads for a report of a safety or health hazard.

★ At 11:43 a.m., police responded to the 300 block of Martin for a report of carbon monoxide.

★ At 12:11 p.m., police responded to Fifth Third Bank, 460 Randall Road, for a 911 investigation.

★ At 1:11 p.m., police responded to Spirels Yogurt Delites, 309 Randall Road, for a report of counterfeiting.

★ At 1:18 p.m., police responded to Best Buy, 424 Randall Road, for a fraud complaint.

★ At 2:44 pm., police responded to the vicinity of Division and Renee for a report of a drug law violation.

★ At 4:32 p.m., police responded to the vicinity of Juniper and North Lancaster for a report of a safety or health hazard.

★ At 5:56 p.m., police responded to AAA Auto Club and Insurance, 1940 Silver Glen Road, for a report of a suspicious noise.

★ At 6:11 p.m., police responded to the vicinity of Gyor and Randall for a report of a malfunctioning traffic sign or signal.

★ At 7:48 p.m., police responded to the 200 block of Windsor for a keep the peace request.

★ At 9:21 p.m., police responded to the 1500 block of Raymond for a report of a domestic in progress.

★ At 10:17 p.m., police responded to the 300 block of Valley Forge for a report of an activated alarm.

Saturday, Aug. 31

★ At 12:21 a.m., police responded to Speedway, 1775 N. LaFox, for a request to remove an unwanted subject.

★ At 12:25 a.m., police responded to the 200 block of Windsor for a report of a suspicious noise.

★ At 2:18 a.m., police responded to the 300 block of Dublin for a report of a domestic .

★ At 2:45 a.m., police responded to McDonalds, 100 N. McLean Blvd., for a report of disorderly conduct.

★ At 7:53 a.m., police responded to the 700 block of North McLean for a fraud complaint.

★ At 9:31 a.m., police responded to the 1400 block of South Pembroke for a report of criminal damage to property.

★ At 2:30 p.m., police responded to Innerspace CE, Inc., 625 Schneider Drive, for a report of an open door or window.

★ At 5:40 p.m., police responded to Sperry Park, 730 Dean Drive, for a report of shots fired.

Hawks football edged late in loss to Glenbard East

By Seth Hancock

The Bartlett football team battled but came up short in a 24-21 loss to Glenbard East in Upstate Eight Conference play on Friday, Sept. 6 at Glenbard East.

Midway through the fourth quarter, the Hawks had taken their first lead of the game when quarterback Michael Priami (12-for-31, 122 yards) threw a 17-yard touchdown pass to Mathew Young (three receptions, 56 yards). Kicker Xander Salyers' third extra point of the game made it 21-17 in favor of Bartlett.

Glenbard East did not score on its next possession, but it got another chance with just over three minutes left to play. The host went on to march 84 yards for the go-ahead and game-winning score with 1:27 left on the clock.

"That's a great team that we played,"

said Bartlett coach Matt Erlenbaugh. "So you knew there was a lot of football left in that game. We were aware of it, and they capitalized."

At halftime, Glenbard East held a 7-0 lead but Tyler Rivelli (nine carries, 162 yards) ran in a 54-yard touchdown dash to tie the game in the third quarter. After falling behind 14-7, Rivelli added an 85-yard TD run for a 14-14 tie entering the fourth.

Bartlett was edged 402-385 for total yardage but did outgain the host 235-148 on the ground. Nicholas Bucaro added 44 rushing yards, and Hayden Angell finished with 40 receiving yards on three catches.

On defense, Travis Clyde had an interception and Daniel Angelone a pair of sacks.

The Hawks are now 1-1 overall and in the UEC.

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Police Department releases traffic safety campaigns results

According to the Bartlett Police Department, from Aug. 16, through Sept. 3, police participated in the Illinois Department of Transportation's 2019 Labor Day DUI and Occupant Protection Traffic Enforcement campaigns. These statewide traffic safety initiatives were fully funded by federal safety funds through the Illinois Department of Transportation's Bureau of Safety Programs & Engineering.

Bartlett police conducted an additional 40 hours of specialized traffic enforcement to target intoxicated drivers. Two motorists were charged with driving under the influence and two motorists were charged with

driving while license suspended. Police also made two arrests for drug-related offenses. Additionally, police issued four traffic citations for operating an uninsured motor vehicle, 35 traffic citations for speeding violations, and 13 traffic citations for other moving or non-moving violations.

The police department also conducted an additional 20 hours of specialized traffic enforcement to target occupant protection violations. Police issued 14 traffic citations for seat belt violations, one traffic citation for operating an uninsured motor vehicle, and three traffic citations for other moving or non-moving violations.

Storm fall to Wildcats in active week of play



South Elgin's Anthony Sisler attempting a header behind the Wildcats' Tristan Alfaro.
(Examiner photos by Bruce Leighty)



The Storm's Angel Garcia Resendiz dribbling while pursued by West Chicago's Moisos Morfin.

By Seth Hancock
The South Elgin soccer team dropped its Upstate Eight Conference opener in a 1-0 game against West Chicago, but the Storm came away proud of their performance on Wednesday, Sept. 4 at West Chicago. For over 70 minutes, South Elgin held a potent offense from West Chicago scoreless until the host put the game winner in the net with 9:22 left in the game. West Chicago entered the game having scored on average 4.5 goals per game over four matches. That battle came a day after a rough loss in the Lake Park Invite, a 9-2 defeat to York on Tuesday, Sept. 3. Lucas

Reutimann scored both Storm goals, Daniel Quintana had an assist and goalies Christian Andrew (four saves) and Zachary Juszko (three saves) split time in the net. "I couldn't be prouder of these guys," said South Elgin coach Jerzy Skowron after the West Chicago game. "Yesterday was probably the worst game they've ever been a part of, so I'm proud of them for bouncing back and playing as well as they did." Skowron added: "Obviously, a win would have been great, but we came in and dictated the tempo. They might be the best team we've seen all season, and we held them to one goal."

Prior to West Chicago's goal, Angel Garcia-Resendiz had several strong opportunities for the Storm as did Grayson Downing. Juszko made five saves in the effort. "I would like to put two games in a row like this," Skowron said. "We have to build off of this starting tomorrow." The Storm did that in continuing the Lake Park tournament. South Elgin, in hosting the match, defeated Hoffman Estates 5-3 on Thursday, Sept. 5. Jeremy Castro (two goals), Reutimann (one goal, one assist), Garcia-Resendiz (one goal), Downing (one goal), Ryan Doherty (one assist), Jose Rangel (one assist) and Anthony

Sisler (one assist) led the offense. Juszko had five saves. The game represented the first athletic event at South Elgin's stadium to play under the new lights. "We're proud to be a part of that," Skowron said. "That's something special for them, but on the field we need to take the next step and keep this momentum going." South Elgin ended the Lake Park Invite with a 1-1 tie against St. Francis on Saturday, Sept. 7. Sisler scored a first half goal for a 1-0 lead at the break before St. Francis knotted it in the second half, and Juszko had five saves in the effort. The Storm are now 2-4-1 overall.



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Sabres finish third at Barrington tournament



Jose Banuelos delivering a pass in an effort to set up a successful rush for the Sabres against Marmion Academy.



While attempting to maintain control of the ball, the Sabres' Anthony Caldera was pinned between Marmion's Christopher Sowers, left, and Tyler Laurich.

By Seth Hancock

The Streamwood soccer team bounced back from a tough opening week to the season by finishing third in the Barrington tournament. The Sabres hosted all of their tournament games at Millennium Field. In the third place game, Streamwood defeated Lake Zurich 2-0 with a pair of first half goals from Leo Magana and Michael Garcia on Saturday, Sept. 7. Alejandro Morales and Angel Diaz both had an assist, and keeper Eduardo Del Rio got the shutout. The Sabres opened the week with a 2-1 victory over Mount Carmel on Tuesday, Sept. 3. Diaz, a freshman, tallied his first varsity goal in the final three minutes of play for the winner as his laser shot found the top

right corner of the net off a Magana assist. "He's been so good the first few games getting chance after chance and not finishing, and to score his first varsity goal in that fashion for the game winner I couldn't be more proud of his work ethic," Streamwood coach Matt Polovin said of Diaz. The game was scoreless through the first half but Streamwood had plenty of chances. The Sabres kept attacking and took advantage of two late red cards. Magana also assisted Streamwood's first goal scored by Edwin Peralta. Antonio Herrera was the winning goalie. "I told the team to keep attacking at their backs and get the ball in and behind them," Polovin said of his halftime message. "Keep them under constant pressure and create more chances to score. Mount Carmel was definitely dragging, and their play

started to show with two red cards in the final 20 minutes." The win was the first of the season for Streamwood after an 0-2-1 opening week, including a 1-0 tournament loss to Conant, in which the Sabres felt they could have gone 3-0. "We made a few tactical changes before the game and they worked as perfect as you can get with the amount of chances on goal we had," Polovin said. "We just needed to put those chances away and the game wouldn't have been anywhere near as close as it looked by the final score." Polovin added: "We gave Mount Carmel one shot on goal and they scored. I know the defense was definitely frustrated with that. They are such a tough group to crack, especially with the best defender in the state, Jose Ibarra." Streamwood tied Marmion Academy 0-0 to end group play in the tournament on Thursday, Sept. 5. Herrera earned the shutout. The Sabres are now 2-2-2 overall.



Marmion Academy's Drew Noecker, left, and Streamwood's Alejandro Morales competing for a header.



Joel Sandoval of the Sabres pivoting with the ball while pursued by Marmion's Nathan Sowers.

(Examiner photos by Bruce Leighty)

Streamwood rolls over Larkin in home opener



Streamwood linebacker T. J., Phan putting a hit on Larkin wide receiver Jamarion Stubbs. *(Examiner photos by Bruce Leighty)*



The Sabres' Sirrion Dixon breaking into the Larkin secondary while pursued by the Royals' Jamarion Stubbs.

By Seth Hancock

The Streamwood football team bounced back for a 33-13 win over Larkin in Upstate Eight Conference play on Friday, Sept. 6 at Millennium Field.

The win came after a tough 13-6 loss at Glenbard South in Streamwood's opener.

In Week 2, the Sabres also had to bounce back from a slow start as Larkin took a 7-0 lead with 6:27 left in the first quarter.

Quarterback Andrew Phan, who had 49 rushing yards, evened the score with a QB sneak from the one-yard line about three minutes later, and in the second quarter Buddy Martinez (eight carries, 113 yards) had an 11-yard touchdown run for a 14-7 lead.

From there, the Sabres controlled the game finishing with a 366-156 advantage in total yards with all of their offense on the ground. Defensively, Streamwood forced three turnovers including two interceptions from Jakobe Strong and Darrel Luce, and T.J. Phan had a sack.

"Offensively, we played better than we did last week obviously," said Streamwood coach Don Guindon. "Andrew Phan spent a lot of time



Sabres' running back Buddy Martinez during a long gain against Larkin that would set up a Streamwood touchdown.

preparing this week."

Guindon added: "On defense, they run quite a bit of stuff. T.J. Phan in the middle, Teavion Martin in the secondary, they really run stuff. I hardly make a lot of the calls. They do a lot of the stuff out there for us. A lot of senior leadership on defense."

Andrew Phan did most of the scoring adding a six-yard touchdown run as time expired for a 20-7 halftime lead, he added a one-yard TD run early in the fourth for a 26-7 lead and a three-yard TD run later for a 33-7 lead. Angel Acosta was 3-for-5 on extra point attempts while Larkin blocked a

pair of kicks.

The scoring was aided by strong field position from the defense and special teams. Phan's first touchdown was setup by a 68-yard run from Sirrion Dixon, who led with 26 carries for 193 yards, and Martinez's score was setup by a 70-yard punt return by Martin.

"It was just all the o-line tonight," Phan said. "They just kept pushing forward, and it was all them up front."

Phan added: "The defense also did a great job getting stops and we had some good returns. It was a great team win, a great win for the town and we hope a win we can build off of."

Streamwood is now 1-1 overall and in the UEC.



Defensive lineman Luis Torres of the Sabres pouncing on a Larkin fumble early in the game.