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South Elgin overtakes St. Edward in 4th quarter

BY JOHN LEMON

If there was supposed to be a little rust after a couple days off over New Years, somebody forgot to tell South Elgin and St. Edward.

The Green Wave opened the nonconference matchup Wednesday sinking 8 of their 15 shots in the first quarter only to be outdone by the Storm who made 9 of 14.

While that hot shooting didn't last, the intensity continued until the final buzzer with South Elgin holding on for a 55-53 victory on its home court.

"That first quarter was crazy, neither team could miss a shot," South Elgin coach Dan Mandernack said. "St. Edward has a really good program, they went downstate last year, they have a lot of the girls back, they are playing the big school in the area and they are going to come out with a sense of urgency. And they did."

St. Edward (10-5) scored its first 9 points on 3-pointers, one by Yssa Sto. Domingo and the other two from Madison Knott. The score was tied at 19 after one quarter.

South Elgin (6-7) only turned the ball over nine times, but five of them came in a second quarter when the Storm were held to 8 points to fall behind 34-27 at halftime.

Trailing 38-31 midway through the third quarter, the Storm started their comeback on a spin move by Megan McClure. Catora Brown scored on a backdoor cut, then was fouled with no time on the clock and made one free throw to bring South Elgin within 41-38 going to the fourth.

Another backdoor basket, this one by Lexi Roberts on a feed from McClure, gave the Storm a 44-43 lead.

"Our defense wasn't the greatest tonight but we all came together and had good passes and good backdoors," Storm point guard Casey Brennan said.

Roberts nailed a 3 for a 51-45 lead, and the Storm were still up 55-48 in the final 10 seconds before St. Edward nearly pulled off a miraculous finish. Sto. Domingo drilled an NBA-range 3 with 5.7 seconds left, then Mariel Franco stole the inbound pass and scored with :2.8 left to make it 55-53. South Elgin was able to inbound to Brennan who dribbled out the clock.

"That got a little scary at the end but really proud of them," Mandernack said. "This was probably our best overall team win this year."

Brown led the Storm with 18 points and Roberts scored 10.

"I knew we just needed to work together more," Roberts said. "They blew us out by a lot last year and I was really looking forward to this game."

Franco (18 points, 7 rebounds), Knott (13 points) and Sto. Domingo (11) all reached double figures for St. Edward while Mallory Rejman grabbed 10 rebounds.

"We needed to have a better defensive effort," St. Edward coach Michelle Dawson said. "Second half we weren't our normal selves on defense disrupting passes and rebounding like we normally do. That's what the letdown was."

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Bartlett PTB to receive grant computers, finally

By Seth Hancock

The School District U-46 Board of Education approved a \$32,880 expenditure to purchase 60 laptops for Bartlett Elementary School on Monday, Dec. 18, but questions lingered over the process the Parents and Teachers of Bartlett (PTB) had to go through to complete the purchase.

The PTB, Bartlett's Parent Teacher Organization, will reimburse the district with funds it received through a grant. The U-46 board approved the purchase with a 6-0 vote, board member Traci Ellis was not in attendance.

At the previous meeting on Dec. 4, co-presidents of the PTB Terea Eid and Sara Lippold addressed the board and described what they felt was an overly arduous process for the PTB to purchase the technology for their school. They said in summer 2016 the PTB applied for a grant offered by a local business, and after approval Lippold said the PTB went on "an 11-month endeavor" to spend the grant funds but was given little help from both the district and school ad-

ministrations.

Board member Jeanette Ward asked prior to the vote that the district "offer some kind of an explanation" on why the process seemed so difficult. She also later questioned if the PTB's intentions for use of the technology were being followed.

"Constituents contacted me worried that the funds may be revoked because they've been in their possession for so long," Ward said.

Lorelei Keltner, principal at Bartlett Elementary, said she asked the PTB if there was a timeframe in which the group needed to spend the funds.

"They indicated that there was not a timeline, there was no deadline for them or no committed timeline for them to spend these funds," Keltner said.

Keltner added: "We considered several options for how these funds might be spent to best serve the students of Bartlett Elementary School, and through the process of engaging the faculty and staff in this decision we came to the conclusion that stu-

dents would best be served with the addition of laptop technology distributed equally amongst classrooms."

Board member Phil Costello responded: "I understand that you say they gave you no timeline, but obviously sooner than later would be preferable. Were they involved in this discussion and did they give any guidance? Frequently grants or funds given are given with criteria with what they should be used for. Was any of that criteria given to you?"

Teachers were asked to be a part of the decision making process by the PTB according to Keltner who said it went to a school committee and staff was surveyed on how best to use the funds.

"They made the determination that they would best serve our students by placing them equally among the classrooms," Keltner said. "So the PTB relinquished that discussion, more or less, to what the teachers were wanting as far as technology to serve the student needs."

Ward asked if "equally among classrooms" meant classes such as physical education (P.E.) would be included? She said that P.E. classrooms had already received technology from the district which U-46 CEO Tony Sanders later confirmed saying "we did purchase additional technology with our latest rollout so there would already be resources in the P.E. classroom for our students."

Keltner said there would be "additional" and "ongoing" discussions on how the technology would be used and ultimately it could include P.E. classes as well as music and art.

Ward said: "I guess what I'm getting at is my understanding that the original intention was for the classroom teachers, so not the special teachers like P.E. and so on to get them, but the classroom teachers to get them. Is that correct?"

"That is actually not correct," Keltner replied. "Recently we reviewed in school committee minutes the lan-

guage that was chosen that was written in the minutes when this decision was made, and the language was that the computers would be distributed equitably or equally among classrooms. Technically, art has a classroom, music has a classroom and P.E. has a classroom. So what we agreed to do was bring that back for further discussion once we knew the final number of the purchase."

Ward said that since the PTB is giving the funds to the district to make the purchase, "I would think that they would have a say. They would have the say about that, correct?"

Keltner said that "we certainly want to value the generosity of the Parents and Teachers of Bartlett in providing this technology for our school" but "once it's purchased it becomes the possession of the school district's and we can't always guarantee that on any given year that number could change. So we have to be flexible to be able to move these items around each year to best serve the needs of the students."

Ward said she understands the need for flexibility but "at first I would think that it would start out where the PTB wanted them to be."

Sanders said: "This is not aligned to any curriculum, therefore it can be used anywhere within the building."

Costello, who said he also understood the need for flexibility, said ultimately "it seemed like there was a communication breakdown."

"I would just encourage you to be more, at least from what I'm hearing, conversing with the parents as to 'this is where we are' so that they have a fine and firm understanding that this money will be spent, within U-46 policy, to the betterment of the school," Costello said.

Also approved that evening by unanimous votes were \$7.4 million in itemized bills as well as a \$119,603 expenditure with TransChicago Truck Group, out of the education fund, to replace a 2004 refrigerated truck.

Village again recipient of financial reporting award

By Joe Hyland

The village received something of an early Christmas present at the Thursday, Dec. 21 Village Board meeting. The present came in the form of an announcement that the village had been awarded the Certificate for Achievement in Excellence in Financial Reporting.

The certificate of achievement is given out annually by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). It was awarded by the GFOA in recognition of the village's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

"This certificate is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment," said Trustee Mary Thon, who announced the award as part of her finance committee report. "The village's CAFR was judged by an impartial panel, and

found to demonstrate a spirit of full disclosure and transparency."

Village Manager Sharon Caddigan explained what the CAFR is, possibly for the benefit of a number of Streamwood High School students who were attending the meeting as part of a class assignment.

"The CAFR is actually how we did use our money," Caddigan said.

Caddigan said that winning the award was a testament to the board's financial prudence as well as the finance department's efforts in monitoring revenue and expenses. She noted that receiving the award was something of a rarity for a municipality.

"Less than 5 percent of governments receive this award," Caddigan said.

While the award may be something of a rarity for municipalities, this is hardly the case for the village as the current award represents the 29th consecutive year that the village has been so honored.



Driving for a win

Streamwood's Lamont Cole driving on the Lakes basket and the Eagles' Wade Parmly on Thursday, Dec. 28. For story and more photos see page 5.

(Examiner photo by Bruce Leighty)

Making an effort to do the things on a bucket list

Recently, I've been hearing people talk about making a bucket list, especially among some of my closest friends. I heard of the term before but never really paid much attention to what it meant but recently I find myself wondering if this is something I should be considering. I never thought about making a bucket list for anything, especially when I wanted to do something later down the road. I'd just make plans and when time permitted I'd go and do it. I love to travel, so often times I'd consider a vacation to a location I'd never been, such as taking a cruise or visiting Alaska and go for it. As a youngster right after coming to the USA I always had a vision that one day I would go back and visit my homeland to see my family and friends again, and to see how things changed over time. I did eventually make the trip across the ocean and felt disappointed because things that mattered to me were no longer in sight and progress had taken place everywhere. Countries change over time as do people who want to do things later in life, but then never do it. They think about going someday but then put it in the back of their minds not realizing that someday may never come. So, some people then decide to make their bucket list and keep adding on things they wish to do one day.

I tend to go with the flow so having a bucket list wasn't a priority for me because I didn't need a "list" to remind myself that one day I wanted to visit my homeland or anywhere else for that matter. For now I try not to plan too far ahead because it works for me, but some people have a great big list of things they've always wanted to do, especially those close to retirement since it's then they realize they've got a lot of time on their hands. During their working days they talked about putting one more thing on their bucket list and then another and another until it's a full bucket. However, I find for most of my friends that once they have the time, they don't pursue all the plans on the list.


Jared, one of our friends always said he was going to visit Norway when he retired and look up his relatives. At the top of his list was the visit to Norway where his grandparents were raised and when they came to America they never had enough money to go visit so it was something Jared really wanted to accomplish. While he was still working his wife and children decided to travel to Norway, but Jared didn't go because of work and announced he would go when he retired. Even after retirement he didn't make the trip and as he got older it became harder for him to consider it. For some reason Jared kept putting it off until one day he realized it was too late for him to make the journey to see his family's homeland. He had lost his wife and became too ill to travel overseas. Did he have any regrets? I imagine he did and even though it was something he put on his bucket list long ago it never happened and unfortunately he died without having the chance. His bucket was still full and his plans unrealized.

So, regardless of how you approach life, either by making a bucket list or just being spontaneous, make sure you do attempt to accomplish what you hope to do someday. While it's true you may not be able to do everything you'd like, if you don't go for it, you will never get to any of the places you hope to see. If you really want to do something you've never done in your life just do it, with or without a bucket list.

Congratulations to Connor Cordone and Khamla Khoxayo of Streamwood who were named to the dean's list for the 2017 fall semester at the Elgin campus of Columbia College.

The Tri-Village Garden Club of Bartlett, Hanover Park and Streamwood invites everyone to hear presenter Ed Max speak on Spring Ephemerals, Wednesday, Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. at the Poplar Creek Public Library at 1405 S. Park, Streamwood. Max will be show-

Tidbits...



By Rachel

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ing photos of Spring ephemerals, which are very early flowers that bloom first thing in spring. Often times you can even see them in the snow! For additional information, please contact Wally Groble 497-1958 or Sandy Swenson 837-0281 or visit: [www.trivillagegardenclub.org/word](http://www.trivillagegardenclub.org/wordpress) press.

The Streamwood High School automotive program is in desperate need of car donations. They would accept any running vehicle. Please contact Dan at 372-4700 ext. 4099 if you are able to help.

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 Jennifer at 773-787-9854 for more information.

West Suburban Patriots Patriots Breakfasts are held on the second Saturday of each month from 9 until 11 a.m. at Wheaton Bowl banquet room in Wheaton. There is no charge to attend their meetings. An a la carte breakfast is available for a nominal fee. Wheaton Bowl is located at 2031 N. Gary Ave. For more details, see westsuburbanpatriots.com.

Are you looking for a fun way to cele-

brate your child's birthday party while also supporting a good cause? Consider having your child's birthday at Anderson Animal Shelter! Parties can now be booked on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. Please contact Carrie Frost by phone at 847-697-2880 x51 or by email at cfrost@andersonanimalshelter.org for additional information. Parties must be booked in advance by speaking directly with the coordinator; limitations apply.

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.

Sabres girls hoops goes winless at holiday tourney

The Streamwood girls basketball team struggled to get into the win column as the Sabres went 0-4 at the Libertyville Christmas Tournament. Against host Libertyville, the Sabres opened with a 64-48 loss on Tuesday, Dec. 26. After falling behind 9-0 at the start, 14-4 after one quarter, Streamwood was chasing the rest of the game. "We didn't have a good start, and that was the key," said Streamwood coach George Rosner. Led by a 13-point effort from Monica Brown and 10 from Maddi Exline, the Sabres were able to play relatively

even over the final three frames. Streamwood trailed 29-19 by halftime, but never pulled closer than nine in the second half. "We managed to come back by making our free throws to get to a reasonable score," said Rosner whose team was 17-for-19 at the charity stripe. "Every time we would cut it, they would go on a run. I really didn't think we had legs left at the end." Mandy Mien had eight points and both Riya Patel and Alexis Rojas five. Streamwood followed with a 57-49 loss against Vernon Hills on Wednesday, Dec. 27. The Sabres jumped to an 11-5 lead after one quarter before Vernon Hills used a 20-point second to pull ahead 25-20 by halftime.

Brown hit three treys and led along with Exline with 12 points each. Mien added nine points, and both Andrea Bracy and Rebecca Roncone added six. Streamwood lost 56-44 against the Indianapolis Home School Trailblazers on Thursday, Dec. 28. The Sabres fell behind 34-20 by halftime. Against Conant, the Sabres ended the tournament with a 52-42 loss as they saw a 24-18 halftime lead turn into a 39-34 deficit after three quarters on Friday, Dec. 29. Roncone scored 11 points, Mien nine, Exline six and Brown five. Streamwood dropped to 3-12 overall, and despite going 0-4 the Sabres saw Rosner reach a milestone by coaching his 1,000th game coming in the tournament opener. "It's a lot of years and a lot of games," Rosner said. "I've never expected it, and just took it a year at a time. I never expected to get to 1,000, or even thought about 1,000." Rosner added: "I guess it means that I've put in a lot of time, and it's been worth it."



Connections

Poplar Creek Public Library

Winter Reading Challenge
"Blizzard of Books"
Jan. 8 to Feb. 23

Join our Winter Reading Challenge for a chance to win prizes, gift baskets, and even \$10 in Library Bucks! Registration begins online and in person on Jan. 8.

Save The Date!
Blizzard of Books Kick-off Event
Saturday, Jan. 13 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Join us at the Main Library to kick off our Winter Reading Challenge! There will be an ice sculpting demonstration on our front lawn, a hot chocolate and cookie bar inside, as well as fun winter crafts, and more!

Winter Coat and Clothing Drive
Jan. 8 to Feb. 9

Help those in need in our community stay warm this winter season. Beginning Jan. 8, drop off new or gently used (and freshly laundered) coats, glove, scarves, hats, boots and other cold weather items to our donation box, which will be located in our main lobby. All items will be donated to the Hanover Township Welfare Services.

Smash Brothers Tournament
Saturday, Jan. 6
Meeting Rooms 1/2/3

Check-in starts at 10:30 a.m. and tournament play starts at 11 a.m. Consoles available for non-tournament players. Refreshments will be served. Register online or call 483-4928.

Feature Film at the Library
Sunday, Jan. 7 at 1 p.m.
Meeting Room 1

Come to the library and watch a feature film on our big screen! Movie begins promptly at 1 p.m. No one under 13 admitted without parent/guardian. Doors open 15 minutes prior, snacks and water provided. For specific movie information, please call 483-4626. No registration necessary!

Hunger Games
Monday, Jan. 8 from 2 to 4 p.m.
Meeting Room 1

Calling all teens! Sign up to volunteer as a Tribute in our live Hunger Games! Register online or call 483-4928.

ESL Conversation Club
Monday, Jan. 8 at 6:30 p.m.
Meeting Room 3

Practice your English skills while meeting new friends. This group is for English learners of all levels. For more information email Lynn at ldonahue@pclib.org. Registration is preferred, but drop-ins are also welcome! Register online or call 483-4910.

Give Every Dollar a Job
Monday, Jan. 8 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.
Meeting Room 2

At this workshop you will learn the four core rules for budgeting, as well as what you should be paying yourself as you start your business. We review budgeting software, and demo one which works for planning out your business (and your personal) financial future! Presented by Holly Bach, SCORE. Register online or call 483-4927. Space is limited!

Properly Protecting Your Family
Tuesday, Jan. 9 at 6 p.m.
Meeting Room 3

Topics discussed are: How to have a strong protection plan for building wealth and meeting financial responsibilities, different types of life insurance, and how to choose the most suitable insurance for your family. Register online or call 483-4927.

For a complete listing of scheduled programs at Poplar Creek Public Library, 1405 S. Park Avenue in Streamwood or Sonya Crawshaw Branch, 4300 Audrey Lane in Hanover Park, visit www.poplarcreeklibrary.org. Questions? Call 837-6800.

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Sabres streak to tourney consolation bracket title



The Sabres’ Nick Droll, left, came up empty handed in a battle for a rebound with the Eagles’ Ethan Greenfield.

By Seth Hancock

The Streamwood boys basketball team finished the Jacobs Christmas Tournament strong winning three straight after dropping its first two and winning the Consolation C bracket title game.

In their finale, the Sabres defeated Lakes 61-42 on Thursday, Dec. 28. Streamwood broke away in the middle two frames turning a 10-10 tie after the first into a 42-28 lead heading into the fourth quarter after a 17-11 second and 15-7 third.

Keenon Cole had a big game scoring 28 points and both he and Nikola Sinik (11 points) hit three three-pointers while Zack Marquez, a freshman, hit two for his six points. Kevin Bauer added five points in

ed pool play with a 35-34 victory over Dixon on Tuesday, Dec. 26.

“We need any kind of win we can get,” said Streamwood coach Paul Kowalyszyn. “We tend to hurt ourselves a lot more than other people hurt us, but when we stay focused on what we have to do we’ll be successful.”

Against Dixon, it was a slow-paced, back-and-forth game that saw the Sabres clinch it in the final 30 seconds as Sinik hit a bucket to pull ahead 35-34 and Cole blocked the potential go-ahead bucket by Dixon on the other end to finish the game.

Sinik, who hit a pair of treys, led the effort with 12



Jack Maybrun bringing the ball up court and into the Lakes end while encountering the Eagles’ Michael Behrendt. *(Examiner photos by Bruce Leighty)*

points and Cole added nine.

The Sabres escaped a defensive first half with a 16-14 lead before Dixon opened the second half with an 8-0 run to pull ahead 22-16. Brendon Marton hit a pair of threes and scored eight of his 10 points as Streamwood finished the third quarter with an 11-4 run for a 27-26 lead.

“[Dixon] did exactly what they like to do,” Kowalyszyn said. “They keep it in the 30s, keep it low and slow and that’s what they did.”

Streamwood defeated Kennedy 74-62 in the semi-finals of the Consolation C bracket on Wednesday, Dec. 27. The Sabres withstood a 27-point rally by Kennedy in the fourth quarter by building a 42-21 lead by halftime and 61-35 after three quarters.

Sinik knocked down four treys on the way to 19 points, and Lamont Cole added 17 points. Keenon Cole and Marton each had eight points, Bauer seven and Jack Maybrun six.

The Sabres are now 7-8 overall.



Keenon Cole taking a three-point jumper over the Eagles’ Leighsean Triplett.



While surrounded by the Eagles trio of, from left, Jeffrey Milostan, Ethan Greenfield and Wade Parmly, Zack Marquez was able to win an offensive rebound for the Sabres by deflecting the ball to a teammate which resulted in two points for Streamwood.

Storm builds experience at holiday tourney



Bracketed by Hampshire's Morgan Haefling, left, and Ally Cermak, the Storm's Madison Waichunas forces a whistle and jump ball call late in the game with South Elgin attempting to rally and needing a possession.



Megan McClure attempting to secure an elusive rebound for the Storm against Hampshire.
(Examiner photos by Bruce Leighty)

By Seth Hancock

The South Elgin girls basketball team ended the Dundee-Crown Christmas Tournament with 14th place, ending the week with a 64-45 loss to St. Charles North on Friday, Dec. 29.

North had built a four-point advantage over the Storm by halftime before pulling away in the second half, using an 18-13 third quarter for a 46-37 lead before winning the fourth 18-8. Casey Brennan, who was all-tournament, led South Elgin with 10 points and Megan McClure added nine, Catora Brown eight and both Erika Burns and Alexis Roberts five.

The Storm finished 1-3 at the tournament and South Elgin coach Dan Mandernack said it was an experience builder for his young squad.

"At Christmastime, you see different teams with different styles," Mandernack said. "We just told

our girls to embrace it and have fun with it."

In its opener, South Elgin dropped a 68-40 game against New Trier on Tuesday, Dec. 26.

The game featured six ties and six lead changes early, but New Trier pulled away in the middle frames starting late in the second quarter when it turned a 20-18 lead into a 31-20 halftime lead. New Trier outscored the Storm 19-8 in both the second and third quarters for a 50-28 lead.

New Trier shot 45.5 percent from the field, compared to the Storm's 35.9 percent, and was 12-for-23 from behind the arc. McClure (15 points, seven rebounds) was 2-for-3 from three-point range for the Storm, but her team was 2-for-8 overall.

"We threw the first punch but eventually their press took over, and we had way too many turnovers," Mandernack said. "Then they started raining threes, and that got contagious."

Miah Galvin (four rebounds) and Brown each had six points.

The Storm went on to lose 39-32 against Hampshire, who built a 17-9 lead after the first quarter and never looked back, on Wednesday, Dec. 27. McClure (11 points), Brown (eight points) and Roberts (six points) led South Elgin.

South Elgin's lone win came against Barrington as it rallied from a 32-29 deficit after three quarters for a 47-44 victory on Thursday, Dec. 28. Brennan had 14 points, McClure 13, Galvin nine and Roberts five.

Mandernack said his inexperienced team is growing as the Storm enters 2018 with a 5-7 record.

"We have a lot of inexperienced players that are realizing the intensity and speed of varsity games, and they are adjusting and improving nicely," Mandernack said.



South Elgin's Lexi Roberts protecting the ball from Morgan Haefling of Hampshire while mounting an assault on the Whip-purs basket.



Casey Brennan leaving the floor to release a shot between the Whip-purs' Jessie Heine, left, and Sarah Bowen.

Hawks split four in holiday tourney play



Danielle Kleeman battling for a rebound for the Hawks between the Raiders' Mady Carli, left, and Ally Daga.

By Seth Hancock

The Bartlett girls basketball team went 2-2 at the Wheaton North Christmas Tournament to finish sixth.

The Hawks were knocked out of the championship bracket in the second round after dropping a 53-36 game against Glenbard South on Wednesday, Dec. 27.

Kayla Hare, who eventually made the all-tournament team, scored 10 of her team-high 14 points in the first half as the Hawks kept things close, the game seeing six lead changes and the game was tied 22 late in the second quarter. Glenbard South would score the last five points of the half for a 27-22 lead and led for good.

In the second half, Justina Hernandez (eight points) hit a three-pointer early in the third quarter to pull to 29-25 when Glenbard South went on a 16-2 run for a 45-27 with 6:33 left to play. Glenbard South finished with 34 points in the paint compared to 10 for Bartlett, and the Hawks were out rebounded 30-16.

"There were two possessions at the end of the first half where we lagged on defense, and they made us pay," said Bartlett coach Brad Hunt. "Good teams make you pay, and after that they controlled the second



Teagan Noesen of Bartlett beginning a drive around Glenbard South's Mady Carli.
(Examiner photos by Bruce Leighty)

half."

Hunt added: "Glenbard South is a really, really good team. They were having some problems with our defense in the first half, but they made adjustments."

Lexi Sinclair added seven points and four rebounds.

Bartlett eventually made the fifth place game which it lost 44-34 to Glenbrook South, the Hawks falling behind 23-3 in the first half, on Friday, Dec. 29. Sinclair (14 points) and Danielle Kleeman (six points) led the Hawks.

The Hawks opened the tournament defeating Jacobs 54-47 on Tuesday, Dec. 26.

Hare struggled through the first half but went on to score 18 of her game-high 20 points in the second half allowing Bartlett to rally from a 24-19

halftime deficit and 42-35 after three quarter. Sinclair added 10 points, Teagan Noesen nine, Shelly Banks eight and Hernandez five.

"My teammates really encouraged me to keep going, that something will fall," Hare said. "Maybe if my threes aren't falling, I'll get to the rim and shoot free throws to help us."

Bartlett also defeated Palatine 60-53 on Thursday, Dec. 28. Hare (22 points), Sinclair (12 points), Hernandez (eight points) and Noesen (six points) led the effort.

The Hawks are now 8-7 overall.

"I think after these four games, the hope is they've improved their mental focus," Hunt said. "It's taxing, it's tiring to play four straight days like that. If we can come out better focused, it's a success."



Bartlett's Shelly Banks bringing the ball into the Raiders end of the court while negotiating around the defense of Glenbard South's Mady Carli.



The Hawks' Alexis Sinclair releasing a shot after driving between Glenbard South's Maggie Bair, left, and Raquel LaPonte.

Police Reports

★ At 1:35 p.m., police responded to the 600 block of Waterford for a report of theft.

★ At 2:07 p.m., police responded to the vicinity of Randall and Stearns roads for a 911 investigation.

★ At 2:10 p.m., police responded to the 1100 block of Mancheter for a threats complaint.

★ At 3:47 p.m. police responded to 760 E. Main St., South Elgin High School, for a report of criminal damage to a vehicle.

★ At 4:12 p.m., police responded to the vicinity of Randall and McDonald roads for a report of a two-vehicle collision. Nancy J. McMillan, age and address withheld, was issued a citation.

★ At 4:38 p.m., police responded to the 600 block of Fieldcrest for a report of a suspicious noise.

★ At 4:41 p.m., police responded to the 900 block of Kane for a fraud complaint.

★ At 5:40 p.m., police responded to the 700 block of Fieldcrest for a fraud complaint.

★ At 6:47 p.m., police responded to the 2100 block of Brookwood for a report of a burglary.

★ At 7:30 p.m., police responded to

the 300 block of Dublin for a report of a disturbance.

★ At 7:50 p.m., police responded to Epic Air Trampoline Park, 1675 N. Lancaster Road, for a failure to pay complaint.

★ At 10:51 p.m., police responded to the 1200 block of Sandhurst for a report of a domestic in progress.

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★ At 12:45 a.m., police responded to the vicinity of Kingsport and Spring for a report of a suspicious vehicle.

★ At 1:33 a.m., police responded to the 200 block of North South Elgin for a report of a domestic in progress.

★ At 4:52 a.m., police responded to the 100 block of Beck for a threats complaint.

★ At 11:38 a.m., police responded to the 0 block of Lake Ridge for a report of mischievous conduct.

★ At 11:52 a.m., police responded to the Buffalo Wild Wings, 402 Randall Road, for a report of theft.

★ At 1:16 p.m., police responded to the Randall Road Animal Hospital, 207 Randall Road, for a report of a suspicious person.

★ At 2:06 p.m., police responded to the vicinity of Randall and Stearns

roads for a report of a two-vehicle collision. Alfredo Munoz-Lopez, age and address withheld, was issued a citation.

★ At 2:12 p.m., police responded to the 0 block of Melrose for a report of a domestic.

★ At 2:46 p.m., police responded to TJ Maxx, 352 Randall Road, for a report of theft.

★ At 4:05 p.m., police responded to the 500 block of Dean for a report of a drug law violation.

★ At 4:14 p.m., police responded to the Fifth Third Bank, 460 Randall Road, for a report of an activated alarm.

★ At 5:12 p.m., police responded to the 300 block of Thornwood for a report of a suspicious vehicle.

★ At 6:17 p.m., police responded to the 500 block of Lake Ridge for a report of criminal damage to property.

★ At 7:57 p.m., police responded to the Speedway, 1775 N. LaFox, for a report of a disturbance.

★ At 11:46 p.m., police responded to Premise Alert Record, 896 Sundown Road, for a report of a domestic in progress.

Friday, Dec. 22, 2017

★ At 9:26 a.m., police responded to the vicinity of South East and Lor Ann for a report of an abandoned vehicle

★ At 10:33 a.m., police responded to the 0 block of Melrose for a keep the peace request.

★ At 10:57 a.m., police responded to the Walgreens, 1201W. Spring, for a report of battery.

★ At 11:26 a.m., police responded to Critters Pet Shop, 566 Randall Road, for a fraud complaint.

★ At 12:31 p.m., police responded to the 1100 block of East Main for a report of a collision. Alejandro G. Rincon, age and address withheld, was issued a citation.

★ At 4:17 p.m., police responded to the 1200 block of Sandhurst for a threats complaint.

★ At 4:24 p.m., police responded to TJ Maxx, 352 Randall Road, for a report

of theft.

★ At 4:59 p.m., police responded to the 1200 block of Sandhurst for a keep the peace request.

★ At 5:55 p.m., police responded to the 700 block of West Thornwood for a report of a suspicious person.

★ At 10:01 p.m., police responded to the 700 block of Waterside for a liquor law violation.

★ At 10:47 p.m., police responded to the 400 block of East Thornwood for a report of mischievous conduct.

Saturday, Dec. 23, 2017

★ At 9:19 a.m., police responded to the Towerhill Care Center, 759 Kane, for a commercial fire alarm.

★ At 9:20 a.m., police responded to the 0 block of Melrose for a keep the peace request.

★ At 9:28 a.m., police responded to Home Depot, 440 Randall Road, for a threats complaint.

★ At 12:04 p.m., police responded to the vicinity of West Thornwood and Lansbrook for a report of a suspicious person.

★ At 12:28 p.m., police responded to the vicinity of Randall and McDonald roads for a report of a two-vehicle collision. Katelyn K. Olsem, age and address withheld, was issued a citation.

★ At 12:29 p.m., police responded to the 300 block of Ann for a report of a domestic in progress.

★ At 1:06 p.m., police responded to the 1200 block of North LaFox for a 911 investigation.

★ At 2:16 p.m., police responded to the vicinity of Gyor and Stearns roads for a report of a two-vehicle collision. Howard Knoll, age and address withheld, was issued a citation.

★ At 5:49 p.m., police responded to the 300 block of Sandhurst for a report of a suspicious incident.

★ At 6:30 p.m., police responded to the vicinity of Randall and Stearns roads for a report of a two-vehicle collision. Robert H. Nunes, age and address withheld, was issued a citation.

★ At 6:32 p.m., police responded to Jewel, 375 Randall Road, for a

South Elgin boys hoops takes fifth at tournament

By Seth Hancock

The South Elgin boys basketball team had to settle for fifth place despite garnering the top-seed at the DeKalb Christmas Tournament.

The Storm finished 3-1 and won the fifth place game 65-59 over West Chicago on Saturday, Dec. 30. Drake Montgomery scored 21 points, Trace Ashby 13, Vincent Miszkiewicz 11, Noah Rohr nine, Latrell Lamarca six and Christopher Hankins five to lead the Storm.

The title hopes were dashed for the Storm in the second round where they dropped a 61-56 game to Lemont on Thursday, Dec. 28.

A Montgomery basket in the final two minutes put the Storm up 54-53, but then Lemont finished on an 8-2 run for the win.

“I thought we played really hard, but toward the end of the game we couldn’t execute our offense crisply and correctly,” said South Elgin coach Brett Johnson. “They were able to take advantage of it and go down and score when they needed it.”

Montgomery finished with 23 points, including four three-pointers, and Miszkiewicz added nine points and 12 rebounds. Rohr had eight points and Kyle Sy six.

South Elgin struggled against the size of Lemont’s top two players but kept thing close all the way. The Storm trailed 33-27 at halftime but rallied for a 45-44 lead after three quarters.

“Their size affected us,” Montgomery said. “We were kind of timid to take it into the lane.”

In their tournament opener, the Storm defeated ACE Tech 75-46 on Wednesday, Dec. 27. Miszkiewicz (eight rebounds) and Rohr each scored 13 points, Hankins and Lamarca eight each, Montgomery and Jace Warrick seven apiece and both David Binion and Mohammed Rahman six as South Elgin built a 27-8 lead after the first quarter and didn’t look back.

“I didn’t know what we were going up against, so we just had to do what we do best and push the ball,” Johnson said. “We started the game just like that and that got us in the flow we wanted to be in.”

The Storm also defeated DeKalb 65-59 on Friday, Dec. 29. South Elgin led 27-25 at halftime and 41-35 after three quarters before both offenses lit up in a 24-24 fourth.

Miszkiewicz scored 21 points, Ashby 11, Montgomery 10 and both Binion and Rohr nine to lead the Storm.

South Elgin is now 9-3 overall.

Hawks boys hoops takes third place at tournament

By Seth Hancock

The Bartlett boys basketball team finished strong to take the third place game of the Jacobs Christmas Tournament 57-39 over Crystal Lake South on Thursday, Dec. 28.

Although the Hawks never trailed, Crystal Lake South would keep things tight after three quarters. Bartlett built a 29-20 lead by halftime before Crystal Lake South rallied to within five, 38-33, heading into the fourth, but the Hawks put the game away with a 19-6 final frame.

Austin Gates led the effort with 18 points and six steals and the Hawks got double figures in scoring from Ben Fisher (11 points), Byron Price (10 points, five steals) and Tomas Vikonis (10 points). Garrett Jurina added six points.

“I thought our press really messed with them, creating chaos,” Gates said. “We all played good, played as a team, and we’re happy to bounce back after a bad performance. It feels great to get a quality win.”

Gates referenced the Hawks only loss of the tournament the previous night, falling 76-70 in the championship bracket’s semifinals against Barrington on Wednesday, Dec. 27.

Barrington shot 77 percent from the field in the second half to pull away after a tight first half. Fisher scored 16 of his game-high 27 points in the first half which helped the Hawks rally

from a nine-point deficit after one quarter to look prepared to take a 31-28 lead into halftime, but Barrington hit a buzzer beating three from near half court to tie.

Late in the third quarter, Bartlett trailed just 45-44 when Barrington scored the last five points of the period for a 50-44 lead which grew as large as 12 in the fourth. Vikonis scored nine of his 20 points in the final frame and both Fisher and Jurina (eight points) added six as the Hawks made a late push, but they never pulled closer than six.

“We had moments where we played really good,” said Bartlett coach Jim Wolfsmith. “We got out-physicaled in the second half though. They beat us on fundamentals, and we were a little inconsistent.”

Gates and Price each finished with six points.

Bartlett finished pool play 3-0 capping it with a 53-42 victory over Prairie Ridge on Tuesday, Dec. 26. Fisher (25 points, 15 rebounds), Gates (10 points, five assists), Price (eight points) and Vikonis (six assists, four points) led the effort.

Fisher and Vikonis both were named to the all-tournament team, and the Hawks are now 7-7 overall after entering 3-6.

“I like the way we’ve played here,” Wolfsmith said. “I think we’ve grown. I like the way we are trending.”

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North Stars go 2-2 at holiday tournament



The North Stars' Leilauni Chanthaboury driving along the baseline while trying to beat Dundee-Crown's Kennedy White to the basket.

By Seth Hancock

The North girls basketball team went 2-2 and took 13th at the Dundee-Crown Christmas Tournament. Against one of the tournament's top seeds, North opened with an overtime thriller but fell 58-51 to Maine South on Tuesday, Dec. 26.

After falling behind 11-2, the North Stars would be chasing the rest of the game but eventually tied the game three separate times in the fourth quarter. North's deficit never grew larger than nine but it wouldn't pull even until 1:48 remained in regulation when Leilauni Chanthaboury (five points, six rebounds) hit a three-pointer to make it 43-43.

Anna Davern (12 points, 10 rebounds) scored eight points in the fourth quarter including buckets to make it 45-45 and 47-47, which is where the score sat going into overtime. Maine South never trailed on

the night and won the OT 11-4.

"I think we're getting there," said North coach Mike Tomczak. "We're frustrated with the result, but we definitely took a step forward."

Tomczak added: "We felt like we got better tonight. You don't get better playing teams below you. You get better against teams above you."

Anna Tate had a big game scoring a game-high 22 points and adding seven rebounds, and Caroline Jakaitis had six points and eight rebounds.

"Anna was great tonight and for a while she was all we had," Tomczak said. "Other girls stepped up though and hit some big shots."

In the consolation bracket, North dropped a 62-30 game to host Dundee-Crown on Wednesday, Dec. 27 as the North Stars fell behind 16-3 after one quarter and were unable to counter. Davern (16 points), Tate (eight points) and Megan Gunnink (six points) led the effort.



North's Annie Tate battling to maintain control of the basketball and away from the Chargers' Madilyn Tripp near the charity stripe.

The North Stars bounced back by winning their final two games with a 59-45 victory over Buffalo Grove on Thursday, Dec. 28 and a 64-45 win over South Elgin on Friday, Dec. 29. North jumped to an 18-9 lead in the first quarter against Buffalo Grove to grab control early, and it gained distance in the second half against South Elgin winning it 36-21 after leading by just four at halftime.

Davern led both games with 22 and 20 points respectively and Gunnink scored 17 points and hit five treys in both games. Tate had 12 points and Chanthaboury six against Buffalo Grove, and Tate added 14 and Jakaitis seven against South Elgin.

"It's a good way to end the tournament, good way to enter next year," Tomczak said. "I think we've gotten better."

Davern and Tate made the all-tournament team, and the North Stars are now 9-7 overall.



Fiona Gleeson firing off a shot from along the baseline near the corner against Dundee-Crown.



Anna Davern posting up for the North Stars while being defended by the Chargers' Anna Kieltyka.

(Examiner photos by Bruce Leighty)

Police Reports

Road, for a report of an activated alarm.

★ At 3:47 p.m., police responded to the Dominos Pizza, 1944 McDonald Road, for a report of an activated alarm.

★ At 7:23 p.m., police responded to Premise Alert Record, 663 Dean Drive, for a request to assist fire department personnel.

★ At 10:46 p.m., police responded to the 500 block of Dean for a loud music complaint.

Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2017

★ At 7:03 a.m., police responded to CPM Motors, 1145 N. LaFox, for a report of an activated alarm.

★ At 7:05 a.m., police responded to the 300 block of Pleasant for a report of an activated alarm.

★ At 9:09 a.m., police responded to the 300 block of Randall for a commercial fire alarm.

★ At 1:37 p.m., police responded to El Grande Burrito, 1282 W. Spring, for a 911 investigation.

★ At 3:35 p.m., police responded to the vicinity of Concord and Hancock avenues for a report of criminal damage to property.

★ At 6:21 p.m., police responded to the 900 block of Medford for a fraud complaint.

★ At 8:29 p.m., police responded to the Taco Bell, 490 Randall Road, for a report of a disturbance.

★ At 8:30 p.m., police responded to the 700 block of Kateland for a report of an activated alarm.

★ At 9:25 p.m., police responded to the vicinity of Hobart and Bowes for a report of a suspicious vehicle.

BARTLETT

Thursday, Dec. 21, 2017

★ At 1:19 p.m., a complainant in the 800 block of Kingston Lake reported

receiving a phone call from an unknown subject claiming affiliation with a credit card protection service company. She reportedly refused service and hung up but continues to receive additional phone calls from multiple numbers. Police attempted to call the number in question with negative results.

★ At 4:26 p.m., a complainant in the 200 block of Little John Court reported that her identity was stolen and two accounts were opened at North Riverside Mall using her information. The complainant contacted her insurance and a fraud protection provider.

Friday, Dec. 22, 2017

★ At 12:36 a.m., Eddie Rojo, 28, Hanover Park, was arrested and charged with driving while license revoked and speeding. He was released on an I-bond and faces an undetermined court date.

★ At 2:32 a.m., Lukasz Aniszewski, 35, Bartlett, was arrested and charged with domestic battery and criminal damage to property. He was transported to bond call.

★ At 2:38 p.m., Joshua Spooner, 36, Elburn, was arrested and charged with driving while license revoked and use of an electronic communication device while operating a motor vehicle. He was released on an I-bond and faces an undetermined court date.

★ At 9:35 p.m., Jamie P. Lauwers, 37, Elgin, was cited for possession of drug paraphernalia. He faces a Jan. 17 hearing date.

Saturday, Dec. 23, 2017

★ At 2:32 a.m., Hyder S. Baig, 21, Bartlett, was cited for possession of cannabis. He faces a Jan. 17 hearing date.

★ At 4:55 a.m., a complainant in the 300 block of South Prospect Avenue reported a suspicious vehicle but was

unable to determine if there was an occupant in the vehicle. Police spoke with the occupant of the vehicle who advised he was trying to get a ride home. Police transported the subject to await a taxi.

★ At 6:18 a.m., Armando Almanza Arellano, 39, Hanover Park, was arrested and charged with DUI, illegal transport of alcohol and no rear registration plate light. He was released on an I-bond and faces a Jan. 26 court date.

Sunday, Dec. 24, 2017

★ At 12:35 a.m., a complainant in the 800 block of Lakeside Drive reported that a known offender repeatedly texts her and she wants the contact to stop. Police called the number provided and left a message to cease contact.

★ At 12:56 a.m., Erika P. Gonzalez, 34, Bartlett, was arrested and charged with hit and run of an unattended vehicle, operating an uninsured motor vehicle and failure to reduce speed to avoid a crash. She was released on an I-bond and faces a Jan. 8 court date.

★ At 2:10 a.m., a complainant in the 1000 block of Hummingbird Way reported that a vehicle pulled into his neighbor's driveway, appeared to hit something and drove away. Police checked the area for damage as well as the offending vehicle with negative results.

★ At 2:56 p.m., Ryan M. Zachman, 25, Bartlett, was arrested on warrant out of Peoria County. He was released on a D-bond and faces a Jan. 31 court date.

Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2017

★ At 8:10 a.m., police on patrol responded to a vehicle crash with injuries at Munger Road and Stearns Road.

Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2017

★ At 7:41 a.m., a complainant in the 100 block of Fountain Grass Circle reported that an unknown offender stole money from his wife's wallet that was left in an unlocked vehicle parked outside of their residence. Police searched the area with negative results. Estimated loss \$150.

★ At 9:02 a.m., Gilbert F. Romero, 42, Belvidere, was cited for possession of cannabis and speeding over the post-

ed limit. He faces a Jan. 17 court date.

★ At 10:19 a.m., Jeffrey A. Battiato, 57, Plainfield, was arrested and charged with DUI, BAC over .08 and improper lane usage. He was released on an I-bond and faces a Jan. 23 court date.

★ At 2:20 p.m., Matthew C. Wolter, 22, Bartlett, was arrested and charged with DUI, BAC over .08, operation of an uninsured motor vehicle, illegal transport of alcohol, failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident and improper lane usage. He was released on an I-bond and faces a Jan. 23 court date.

★ At 3:51 p.m., Jeffrey M. Jaskoske, 28, Elgin, was cited for possession of cannabis and operating a vehicle with expired registration. He faces a Jan. 17 court date.

WAYNE

Friday, Dec. 22, 2017

★ At 8:50 p.m., police responded to the 35W block of Maple for a request to assist Kane County Sheriff's Office personnel with a report of a suspicious person. The subject could not be located.

Saturday, Dec. 23, 2017

★ At 12:30 p.m., at the police department, an officer took a report of a suspicious incident that had occurred at a residence in the 34W block of Country Club Road. Complainant advised that a package had apparently been stolen from the porch. The complainant had been advised by an employee at the Wayne Post Office that a number of packages had apparently been recently stolen in similar fashion. Extra watch will be assigned.

Sunday, Dec. 24, 2017

★ At 2:40 p.m., police responded to the 5N block of Curling Pond for a report of a suspicious vehicle. The officer located the vehicle. The owner advised he was in the process of buying a vacant lot in the area.

★ At 3:36 p.m., police responded to the Wayne Post Office, 5N Railroad Street, for a report of an activated burglar alarm. The alarm was determined to have been caused by a new driver who had accidentally set it off.

North boys split four at holiday hoops tournament

By Seth Hancock

The North boys basketball team had some highs and lows at it went 2-2 and finished sixth at the Pontiac Christmas Tournament.

In the fifth place game, the North Stars couldn't overcome a rough second quarter as they fell 59-40 against Bloomington on Saturday, Dec. 30. They defeated Benet 49-39 earlier in the day.

North led by one after the first quarter but Bloomington used a 20-5 second to take a 33-19 lead at halftime which the North Stars were unable to rally from. Bloomington out rebounded North 39-24 and had 17 points off of turnovers compared to two for North.

Kyle King (18 points, nine rebounds, three assists), Cade Callaghan (nine points, five rebounds), Brendan Dal Degan (eight points, two three-pointers) and Zachary Ludwig (four assists) led North.

Against Benet, North rallied late for the victory to earn a spot in the evening games.

"To be playing in the evening on the third day at Pontiac is an accomplishment," said North coach Tom Poulin. "We will definitely be a better team because of Pontiac."

Locked in a 30-30 tie, the North Stars won the fourth quarter 19-9 and used

a 13-3 finish for the win. North shot 43.6 percent from the field and Benet 29.2 percent.

Callaghan (15 points, six rebounds), King (13 points, seven rebounds), Dal Degan (10 points, two treys) and Luke Scheffers (five rebounds) led the effort.

"We did a much better job boxing out in the fourth quarter," Poulin said. "I thought that was the difference."

The North Stars opened the tournament by defeating Bloom 65-40 on Thursday, Dec. 28. North shot 52.2 percent including 9-for-20 from behind the arc including a pair of threes each from Callaghan (19 points, six rebounds, three assists), Dal Degan (eight points) and Ludwig (six points, three assists).

Erik Larson had 13 points, King 10 points and five rebounds and Tyler Nubin five points.

North went on to lose 61-36 against Simeon on Friday, Dec. 29. Simeon built a 33-10 lead by halftime.

"We didn't execute the way we can," Poulin said. "They didn't get our best. That's the disappointing thing."

King (10 points), Callaghan (seven points), Larson (six points), Scheffers (five points) and Dal Degan (three assists) led the effort.

North is now 9-5 overall.



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For Kids

Thinking about learning a new language with your kids in the New Year? The library has online and app-based language learning resources for both kids and adults. **Muzzy Online** for kids uses immersion-style cartoon shows and games to teach language. Pronunciator has courses for preschool and elementary-aged kids as well as adults. **Mango Languages** has comprehensive courses and also offers chances to learn through foreign films. Eighty languages are offered among the different resources, including ESL content, and resources are free to access with your St. Charles Public Library card.

Family Read-Aloud Book Club registration is now open. The Family Read-Aloud Book Club encourages lifelong literacy and motivates families to share reading aloud as a daily tradition. Book club will run for 10 weeks. Record time spent as a family reading aloud and receive rewards! Rewards include books dedicated to the family, autographed children's books, certificates to local businesses and canvas book bags. Receive your family book log and details when you enroll.

Puppets with the Junior Friends is a

puppet show presented by our Junior Friends student storytellers for infants through age five with caregiver. Sessions are Thursday, Jan. 4 at 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. These twenty-minute puppet shows are for drop-in attendance and have limited seating.

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Stories Live! Tortoise and the Hare is Sunday, Jan. 7 at 1 and 2 p.m. This story time for infants through age five with their caregivers nurtures early literacy skills by looking at one story through storytelling, song and more; register now to save your spot.

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