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# More gates, separate box offices at this year's Nightmare in Elgin

**By Elena Ferrarin** 



This year's Nightmare on Chicago Street on Oct. 20 in downtown Elgin will depict an apocalypse during a homecoming parade. Here is a photo from last year's edition.

The city of Elgin is working to ensure this year's <u>Nightmare on Chicago Street</u> won't be bogged down by long lines at the entrances.

The city hired Ravenswood Event Services at a cost not to exceed \$19,000 to provide ticketing through <u>TicketWeb</u> and run security for the Oct. 20 event, said Barb Keselica, the city's special events and community engagement manager.

There will be four gates, instead of three, each with five lines. Ticket sales the day of the event will take place at three box offices outside the gates. Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$15 on Oct. 20.

Attendance will be capped at 18,500 people, last year's record-breaking crowd, officials said.

This year's Nightmare scenario will depict an apocalypse during a homecoming parade, Keselica said.

Maps will be in the format of a yearbook, and event T-shirts will be sold in four colors, each symbolizing Elgin High School, Larkin High School, Elgin Academy and St. Edward Catholic School. There will be a homecoming king and queen contest, and the

traditional costume contest will be moved inside the night club Medusa on Chicago Street, Keselica said.

The headliner will be the New Hampshire "junk rock" band <u>Recycled Percussion</u>, which finished third on the TV show "America's Got Talent" in 2009 and performed in Las Vegas and at an NFL Super Bowl preconcert.

"So many of Recycled Percussion's instruments look like the props we have on the streets at the event and their full-throttle energy fits in perfectly with the atmosphere we are trying to create," Keselica said.

This year's footprint will be the same, but retail vendors will be located in the parking deck on Chicago Street to make more room for the outdoor "Mad Max" area with cage matches, grinder vehicles and drag queen performances in the outdoor parking lot at Chicago and spring streets, she said.

About 275 volunteers will perform street theater entertainment for the event, which is estimated to net \$5,000 after an estimated \$260,000 in expenses, she said. Last year's event netted \$20,000, the first profit since the first Nightmare in 2011.

"We are continually trying to see where we can reduce expenses and increase revenues," she said. "So much of the profit is based on ticket sales (and) the committee has already increased sponsorships by over 200 percent."



This year's Nightmare on Chicago Street on Oct. 20 in downtown Elgin will sell event T-shirts in four colors, each symbolizing Elgin High School, shown here, Larkin High School, Elgin Academy and St. Edward Catholic School. *Courtesy city of Elgin* 

#### **SPORTS SECTION**

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#### Fox Valley Off at College



South Elgin graduate Rachel Priore leads California University of Pennsylvania in kills and is third in digs. Photo courtesy of California University of Pennsylvania

South Elgin product Rachel Priore continues to be a key cog for the California University of Pennsylvania women's volleyball team.

To start the week, Priore was leading the team in kills with 203 (3.12 per set). She's also tied for third on the team in digs with 181 (2.78 per set) and is third on the team in receptions with 279. Priore also is the team's leading point-scorer with 222 (3.42 per set).

Priore had 22 kills in a match against West Virginia Wesleyan and 20 against Pitt-Johnstown. She's already had nine double-digit kill matches and five double-doubles with kills and digs. Priore registered 28 digs and 9 kills against Bloomsburg.

A year ago, Priore was named to the all-PSAC third team while leading the Vulcans in points per set at 3.97, which ranked fourth in the conference. She also led the team in kills and ranked sixth in the PSAC in that category.

Dunner at Ball State: Dundee-Crown alum Malik Dunner is contributing for a Ball State University football team that was 2-3 after a recent win against Kent State.

Through the team's first 5 contests, Dunner has run the ball 21 times for 130 yards and 2 scores. He's also caught 8 passes for 88 yards and 1 touchdown.

In the 52-24 win against Kent State, Dunner scored the game's first points when he caught a short 3-yard touchdown pass with 13:10 left in the first quarter. Dunner ran 4 times for 20 yards and caught 2 passes for 12 yards against Kent State.

Kellett at Dayton: Rosary graduate Quincy Kellett picked a heck of a time to score her first collegiate goal.

Kellett, a senior on the University of Dayton women's soccer team, found the back of the net in the 38th minute to give Dayton a recent 1-0 win over visiting Saint Joseph's. Kellett scored on a cross from teammate Jordan Pauley.

Kellett, who holds the Rosary career goal-scoring record with 94, as well as the school's all-time assists mark, appeared in 19 games as a junior and had 5 assists, while making the University of Dayton Dean's List in the fall while also being named to the 2017-18 A-10 Commissioner's Honor Roll. Kellett played in 15 games as a sophomore and 2 games as a freshman.

Jones at Purdue: Cary-Grove alum Teagan Jones is a freshman forward-midfielder on the Purdue University women's soccer team.

Jones has provided immediate help for the Boilermakers, starting eight of the 9 games she has played in thus far. Jones has logged 457 minutes and has 1 goal and 2 points. She has taken 6 shots with three of them going on goal.

Jones scored that first collegiate career goal in the first game she played against Eastern Carolina. She had 5 shots (2 on goal) in that contest.

Roan earns head coaching opportunity: St. Charles East graduate Steph Roan recently was named the new head softball coach at the University of Mary.

Roan, a former standout on the diamond for the Saints, joins the Marauders after serving as assistant coach at NCAA Division II Fort Lewis College out of the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference. Prior to that, Roan coached at St. Cloud State University, her alma mater.

"Steph Roan has all the attributes needed to build our team into an upper echelon program," UOM Athlete Director Dale Lennon said. "She has had impressive mentors as

both a player and a coach and understands the importance to create a strong team culture. We are excited about Steph's passion for the game and ability to teach and communicate with student-athletes."

Roan starred collegiately both at St. Cloud State and Kankakee Community College. At St. Cloud State she started 78 games and had 55 hits, 29 runs scored, 26 RBI, 9 doubles and 5 home runs. At Kankakee, Roan ranks in the top 25 in career hits, home runs, batting average and at-bats. She helped Kankakee finish third in the nation in 2011.

Morton at Illinois Wesleyan: Marmion product Jimmy Morton is a member of the Illinois Wesleyan men's golf team. Morton has played in two contests thus far and is averaging 75 strokes per 18 holes.

At the Carthage Tim Kopka Memorial Tournament, Morton shot a 7-over-par 149 for two days and finished eighth out of 113 golfers in the field. He had a 72 and a 77 there.

Morton also tied for fifth out of 48 golfers at the CCIW preview event where he carded a 76 and finished 5-over.

Robinson at South Carolina: Harvest Christian Academy alum Mikayla Robinson has started all 14 matches she's played in thus far for the South Carolina women's volleyball team.

Robinson is third on the team in kills with 114 (2.28 per set) and ranks third in points scored with 147. Robinson is part of a balanced Gamecocks attack that features five players with 200 or more swings thus far. Robinson is hitting a solid .308 on 234 swings with only 42 errors.

Defensively, Robinson leads the team in total blocks with 55, including 11 solos. Robinson's play has helped South Carolina get off to a red-hot 13-1 start and a 4-0 beginning in SEC action.

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# Willowbrook responds, beats Streamwood

**By Stan Goff** 



Willowbrook's Kaitlyn Karcz, right, and Streamwood's Kaylee Angle, left, battle at the net during varsity girls' volleyball at WIllowbrook on Monday night.



Streamwood's Kaylee Angle, left, and Leandra Gottschalk celebrate a point during varsity girl's volleyball at WIllowbrook on Monday night

Things could have gone south for the Willowbrook girls volleyball team in the third set against Streamwood, and most people would have understand.

After all, the Warriors dropped the middle set 25-22 and then fell behind the visiting Sabres 6-1 in the decisive set Monday night in Villa Park. The hosts then rallied to draw even at 7-7 behind four consecutive aces from Willowbrook's Payton Ceh, a team captain. Ceh then put down a winner for an 8-7 lead only to land awkwardly and eventually leave the gym in a wheelchair with her left knee wrapped.

But rather than get down, Ceh's teammates responded in a big way, going on a 13-3 run following the injury to one of their leaders. The surge paved the way to a 25-16, 22-25, 25-16 victory for the Warriors, who improved to 8-14 on the year.

"Payton's, like, definitely one of the strongest players on our team and she's our best defensive player," said Willowbrook senior outside hitter Katelyn McCann, who had 6 kills and 8 digs in the match. "We knew after that that if she's not coming back in that, we have to go 100 percent all out. We have to win this, not just for her but for everyone. We knew we had to put out a hundred percent effort and it showed. When she went down it was scary for all of us."

After the stoppage following Ceh's injury, Streamwood (5-20-2) scored to make it 8-8 in the third set. But Emma Barrington's big swing on the right side was followed by a kill from McCann and it was 10-8 and the home team was starting what would be a matchwinning 12-1 streak. Caileigh Tuma rattled off a pair of aces in Ceh's absence as strong serving by the Warriors on Monday took its toll on the Sabres.

"It was a momentum breaker for us," Streamwood coach Sheryl Hettinger said. "We didn't take advantage (of Ceh's absence). They didn't (get down) and they had a couple strong servers that took it to us. Our serve receive tonight got us, but we were stronger in other areas than we usually are ... we did good for us but we didn't come away with a win."

With McCann tough on the outside and Kaitlyn Karcz a force in the middle, Willowbrook never trailed while claiming the first set. Young setters Katie Linnig and Grace Reckamp were solid, with the freshman Linnig recording 11 assists and 11 digs in the match.

But Streamwood evened things up by claiming the middle set. The Sabres led 21-12 following a kill from Corinne Angle and a hitting error by Willowbrook. The Warriors did battle back to tie the set at 21-21, but the Sabres claimed the equalizer 25-22.

Warriors coach Irene Mason was glad to see a close match go her team's way, especially under Monday's tough circumstances.

"(Ceh) was bringing us back with the energy, getting us the momentum," Mason said. "But the rest of the girls did come and pick her up. It was good to see them band

together and battle even when our leader went down. We're going to hope that she's OK as soon as possible, but we'll see."

Lillian Dewsnap and Mariely Sotelo each had 6 kills to pace Streamwood, while Ceh had 8 aces and 7 digs before her departure in the third set.



Streamwood's Lillian Dewsnap watches her hit sail over the net during varsity girl's volleyball at WIllowbrook on Monday night