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District seeks public input on how to spend \$22M from state

Discussions needed on how to reinvest in schools, U46 CEO says

BY RAFAEL GUERRERO

The District U46 school board is likely to hold multiple meetings to get public input on how to spend \$22 million in new state education funding, board President Donna Smith said at Monday's meeting.

Illinois school districts learned last week how much more they would be receiving in additional money under the state's new funding formula.

"It's a good problem to have as a school district, as a board, to start having the discussions about how to reinvest in our schools," U46 CEO Tony Sanders said.

Ten years ago, the board was dealing with how to cut \$25 million from the district budget when it lost state revenue, making tough decisions to increase class sizes, cut art and music from kindergarten classes, eliminate most middle school and some high school sports, and make other changes, Sanders said.

Smith called the infusion of cash a welcome change, but it's not money the board will not spend immediately. Instead, there will be "at least one, if not more than one meeting" to get residents' feedback on how the funding should be spent, she said.

For the most part, board members offered few opinions Monday on how the funding should be allocated. Member Jeanette Ward suggested using it to pay off U46 debt, which Smith said was likely to be one of the options discussed at future meetings.

No meeting dates have been set.

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U46 ups classroom science time for elementary students

BY RAFAEL GUERRERO



Next Generation Science Standards logo (www.nextgenscience.org)

District U46 elementary school students are now receiving 90 minutes of science instruction a week, an improvement being credited to the district's decision to adopt a new curriculum and teaching resources, officials said at Monday's school board meeting.

Prior to this school year, teachers were not required to meet a minimum in how much science was taught at the elementary level. The mandate that a minimum be taught was tied to the school board's decision to spend \$5 million on new elementary and secondary grade courses and resources to teach them.

Deb Perryman, U46's science and planetarium coordinator, said the changes align with the Next Generation Science Standards, which have been adopted by several states, including Illinois.

The standards are intended to challenge students and teachers more, Perryman said. Assessments go beyond multiple-choice tests and may require students to do planning work and conduct investigations, she said.

"What I learned about cells when I was in school is considered level 1 now; it's rote memory," Perryman said. "It's all a building block of how do those parts move together. (Next Generation Science Standards) is really exciting and it's a big shift for everyone."

Students in grades K-6 are now receiving 90 minutes of weekly instruction, officials said. The increase required teachers to participate in "boot camps" to teach them how to set up more elaborate lab exercises and meet curriculum requirements.

"We were able to sit down, look at the resources, look at the curriculum, align them, and show them all the different tools that were purchased for them that maybe they didn't have enough time to sit down and have someone guide them through it," said Vince Fosco, a science instructional coach who helped with a boot camp for first-grade teachers.

Fosco said he believes providing student instruction in 45-minute sessions over two days works best. However, teachers have the freedom to decide how to split the time, he said.

Among the highlights in the new curriculum shift was February's STEM expo at Bartlett High School, which showcased 300 student projects from across the district and attracted more than 1,000 attendees, officials said. Elgin High School's National Biodiversity Teach-In webinars attracted more than 25,000 participants from 26 states and 12 countries, Perryman said.

The district's planetarium will host two public sky shows on May 9.

Perryman said officials are re-evaluating resources for high school science courses and electives and may request the school board purchase new resources in the future.

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Algonquin-based School District 300 to offer welding accreditation

Student able to take test at Hampshire High School for certification

BY MEGAN JONES

A new program at Community Unit School District 300 will allow students to become certified welders upon graduation.

Hampshire High School houses a welding technology career pathway program that students from District 300 can apply and transfer into, said Kristin Corriveau, assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction.

District 300 and **Elgin Area School District U-46** are the second and third fully accredited programs in the U.S. at a high school level, behind a high school in California.

Students will be able to test at Hampshire and earn credentials to become a certified welder from the American Welding Society.

The program was prompted by industry demand, with the total number of jobs for welders, solderers, cutters and brazers anticipated to grow by 6 percent through 2026, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Hampshire's pathway program has existed for dual credit in conjunction with Elgin Community College for the past three years.

"Just having the accreditation puts them at a huge step up because they can go and immediately find employment when others will have to find further education before getting to the accreditation stage," Corriveau said.

Hampshire High School senior Leela Edwards plans to pursue a career in welding, and she hopes to attend a NASCAR welding training program once she graduates, Corriveau said.

"Our students are very committed to the program, and this opens big doors for career paths," Corriveau said. "They see the benefits of it and hope to hone skills in even further."

Corriveau said she is unsure whether current seniors will be able to test at the facility, but all future grades will.

The two schools serve as the only accredited testing facilities for welding from the society in the region. Corriveau said the district is deciding whether to allow outside participants to test at the school site for a fee.

The test is rigorous, Corriveau said, with a mock test taking two and a half hours to complete. Upon receiving accreditation, a student has six months to get a job before having to take the test again.

In the future, students would enter the program as a sophomore with one period class and then double periods as juniors and seniors.

District 300 offers 11 pathway programs – including early childhood development; electrical technology; information technology and computer science; entrepreneurship; and science, technology, engineering and math – designed to give students real-world career experience and provide college-bound students a baseline for their preferred fields.

SPORTS SECTION

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Cooper again in demand after title run

Elgin grad sought after by division I colleges after Triton's junior college championship

BY BOB NARANG



Freshman center Courtesee Cooper, an Elgin graduate, averaged 10.1 points during the Triton's run to the NJCAA Division II title. (James Smith)

Once again, Courtesee Cooper is in big demand by college coaches.

Cooper, a 2017 Elgin graduate, started all but one game this season for Triton (33-4). The freshman center averaged 10.1 points, 6.8 rebounds and 2.8 blocked shots to help the Trojans win their first NJCAA Division II championship.

The 6-foot-9 Cooper finished with seven points, four rebounds and four blocked shots in Triton's 89-85 win over Pima, Ariz., in the March 24 title game.

Because of his solid academic standing, Cooper is eligible to transfer immediately to a four-year school. He's exploring his options, with LSU, New Mexico State and Canisius — all offering a scholarship.

Cooper said Cincinnati and Arkansas also are interested.

"It's been like a dream of mine when I was younger to play in a major conference like the SEC or ACC," Cooper said. "I'm definitely going to look at these schools and plan my visits to see where I will play next year. This whole month will be pretty busy for me."

As a senior center at Elgin, he was in a similar position a year ago. He had narrowed his decision to play college basketball to three schools.

Triton coach Steve Christiansen, a Hinckley-Big Rock product, wanted to show the slender Cooper he was a big priority for the Trojans' recruiting class. Cooper also played volleyball in high school.

"I was holding off on my decision, and I really wanted to take a visit to one of the schools in Texas," Cooper said. "Coach (Christiansen) was trying to get me to go to his school hard.

"He started showing up at a couple of my volleyball games, so I knew right then that he was serious about me. I was like, 'He really wants me to go to his school.' "

Christiansen put a plan in place to allow Triton to stand apart from the other schools.

"Courtesie became a focal point to me," Christiansen said. "I knew he was in demand, so I took it one step further and started going to his volleyball games. I figured any chance I have to show this kid love, I would do it.

"I knew he would be a game-changer at our level. I saw the upside he had. We won a long drawn-out recruiting battle against some well-respected programs."

Cooper then made an immediate impact at Triton. He scored 15 points in his fourth game against Vincennes and contributed 26 points and nine rebounds on Nov. 21 against Oakton. Cooper said he plans on adding about 20 pounds before next season to bulk up to 230. He credited the Elgin and Triton coaching staffs for helping speed up his development.

Elgin coach Mike Sitter said Cooper was a raw prospect after playing his first season on Streamwood's freshman B team.

Cooper was called up to the varsity at Elgin halfway through his sophomore season, but he had a limited role.

"His hands were so bad that we did not allow the other players to pass him the ball offensively," Sitter said. "He was only there to block shots and rebound. He worked so hard that by his junior year, he was an integral part of our offense.

"The coaches at Triton have done an amazing job of getting him stronger and improving his back to the basket moves. The sky is the limit for him."

---Daily Herald--- 4/11/18

Baseball: Anderson, Larkin, stymie Streamwood

DAILY HERALD REPORT

Max Anderson allowed just 4 hits and 1 earned run in 6⅓ innings Tuesday to lead Larkin to a 5-2 win over Streamwood in Upstate Eight River baseball action.

Anderson also had a double and 2 RBI for the Royals (4-2).

Max Wiskirchen added a double for Larkin and Cy Kerber had 2 hits and an RBI.

Max Alanis tripled for Streamwood (5-2).

Batavia 10, Elgin 0: Brad Niedzwiedz gave up just 2 hits and had 3 strikeouts and no walks in six innings for the Bulldogs in their UEC River win. Leading Batavia (4-2) offensively were Michael Niemiec (2B, 3B, RBI), Jared Martin (3 hits, 2 doubles, 3 RBI), Carter Gette (2 hits, 2B, 2 RBI), Justin Pelley (2B, 2 RBI) and Blake Carlson (2B, RBI).

Burlington Central 6, Woodstock 2: Ryan Knowlton had 2 RBI and pitched 6 innings, allowing 5 hits with 7 strikeouts and 2 walks for the Rockets (5-4) in their Kishwaukee River win. Paddy McKermitt added 2 hits and an RBI for BC while Colton Wallace had a double and an RBI and Zach Schutta 2 RBI.

Jacobs 4, CL Central 3: Braeden Wegner had a home run, Daniel Murray 2 hits with a double and an RBI and Daniel Klein a double for Jacobs, which scored twice in the top of the sixth inning to earn this Fox Valley Conference win. Murray was also the winning pitcher for the Golden Eagles (3-2, 1-0), allowing 4 hits and no earned runs in 5 innings on the hill.

Prairie Ridge 10, Hampshire 6: Benjamin Corcelles had 3 hits with an RBI, Andrew Krajecki a double and 2 RBI and Nicholas Tenny 2 hits for Hampshire (7-4) in its FVC loss.

McHenry 4, Cary-Grove 3: McHenry scored in the bottom of the seventh inning to beat Cary-Grove (6-2-1) in the FVC. Billy Blank had 2 hits with a double and 2 RBI for the Trojans and Tristan Atkins added 3 hits.

Harvest Christian 5, Westminster Christian 3: In the Northeastern Athletic Conference, Zack Pawelek (2 hits, RBI), Brock Wilken (2 hits, 2B, RBI), Grant Young (2B) and Dayne Frederick (3B) helped Harvest to the win. Young was the winning pitcher in relief for the Lions (6-2). Nathen Martinez had 2 hits and an RBI and JT Stoll added a double for Westminster (3-7).

Yorkville 7, Kaneland 5: Luke Gomes (2 hits, 2B, RBI) and Robbie Dudzinski (2 hits, 2 RBI) led Kaneland (5-3) in this Northern Illinois Big XII East loss.

Elgin Academy 7, Latin 3: CJ Carani had 2 hits with a double and 3 RBI for EA (7-2) in the Independent School League. Jonathan Cruz, who added 2 hits, was the winning pitcher after going 6½ innings and allowing 5 hits with 9 strikeouts and 3 walks.

Benet 4, West Aurora 3: Alberto Martinez (2 hits, 2B, RBI) and Alec Losselyoung (2 hits, RBI) led West Aurora (6-1) in a nonconference loss.

Aurora Christian 28, South Beloit 0: In the NAC, MJ Stavola had 4 hits with a double, triple and 4 RBI for Aurora Christian (5-1). Also productive for the Eagles were Trey Madsen (3 RBI), Sam Tickel (2 doubles, 4 RBI), Zach Zavasnik (2 hits, RBI), Clark Turek (2 hits, 2B, 3 RBI), Jake Kuntzendorf (2B, RBI), Hunter Thompson (2B, 2 RBI), Nick Ports (2 hits, 2 RBI) and Eric Hernandez (3 hits, 3 RBI). Kuntzendorf was the winning pitcher, one of three AC hurlers who combined on a 1-hitter.

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Softball: St. Charles North breaks loose, downs Bartlett

BY CRAIG BRUESKE

1When you haven't played a game in more than two weeks, patience is a virtue.

After hitting into unconventional double plays in the fourth, fifth and sixth innings, St. Charles North's softball team finally broke a 4-4 deadlock with a clutch hit against Bartlett Tuesday afternoon.

Senior pitcher Jillian Waslawski helped her own cause by smacking a 3-run double to deep left with 2 out in the top of the sixth while helping lift the North Stars (4-1, 1-0) to an 8-5 Upstate Eight Conference crossover victory over the host Hawks (3-2, 0-1).

Marilyn Webb led off the sixth with a double before Laine VandeHei singled and Jessica Wilson walked to load the bases with nobody out.

For a brief time, however, it appeared that the North Stars were going to waste another golden scoring opportunity after hitting into a 1-2-3 double play -- with the batter heading to first called out for running inside the baseline.

But after Ashlyn Jozefowicz walked to load the bases, Waslawski came through with the bases-clearing double on a 2-1 pitch from Hawks reliever Amber Pagan.

"I know Amber is a great pitcher so I had to be smart with what I had in front of me," said Waslawski, who drove in 4 runs and pitched a complete game with 3 strikeouts. "With everyone on base, I just had to find my pitch and take it where I wanted it to go."

North Stars coach Tom Poulin was happy to see Waslawski get the opportunity.

"We want Jill up in that situation," said Poulin. "I know they walked (Jozefowicz) to get a force at any base but I was very pleased to see Jill come up with the bases loaded. She's a very good hitter. That's who we want up there."

Webb (2-for-3) added an RBI single for the North Stars in the seventh before Taylor Rotondo drove in the Hawks' final run with a sacrifice fly in the bottom half of the frame.

"Two-out RBIs in the sixth and seventh -- that's the difference," said Poulin. "We've been talking a lot about that because we've had a lot of time to walk. It's one of the things that we track and it's what separated us today."

Grace Quinn, Waslawski, VandeHei and Webb enjoyed multihit games for the North Stars.

"I thought we made some mistakes and missed some signs but a lot of those things won't happen in a week," said Poulin. "They shouldn't happen now but we'll clean all that up. We knocked a little bit of the rust off and did enough to win."

Annamarie Bucaro led the Hawks with 3 hits, including a pair of doubles, while Charlotte Linnartz added 2 doubles and Pagan drove in a pair of runs.

"Offensively, we did a good job against a real good pitcher," said Hawks coach Jim Wolfsmith. "It was like the start of the season -- part two. Realistically, we haven't been on a field practicing either for a while."

"There were some physical and mental errors that we've got to clean up if we want to beat teams at that level."

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to District U-46?
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Free speech, transparency at issue within U-46

By Seth Hancock

"If freedom of speech is taken away, then dumb and silent we may be led, like sheep to the slaughter."-George Washington.

A complaint filed with the Illinois Attorney General's (AG) office alleging Open Meetings Act violations against the School District U-46 Board of Education during a Feb. 3 board self-evaluation meeting has raised issues on the district's fidelity to upholding First Amendment rights, transparency and the objectivity to uphold standards.

The Feb. 3 meeting was facilitated by the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB), and was held in closed session.

Board member Jeanette Ward filed the complaint alleging the board spent "about an hour discussing" how to censor her, and the AG's office has "determined that further action is warranted" and is investigating. Ward said the AG's office told her it is "indeterminate" on how long it will take for a ruling to be made.

Ward did not attend the board self-evaluation meeting but later listened to the recording. She previously told the board she would not attend the self-evaluation unless it were held in public because at past meetings conversations were had making false accusations against her as well as members of the public while the IASB officials allowed those conversations to persist.

As part of the complaint, which *The*

Examiner obtained through a Freedom of Information Act request with the AG, there was a partial transcript which showed Donna Smith, the board's president, as well as board members Traci Ellis, Veronica Noland and Melissa Owens and U-46 CEO Tony Sanders discussing how to silence Ward. Board members Phil Costello and Sue Kerr were in attendance at that meeting but did not appear to take part in trying to silence Ward.

In the transcript the board's majority blames Ward for causing poor board dynamics, Ellis saying she is "112 [percent] of the problem." Sanders said that the board's work should be done "behind the scenes" without public debate.

The Examiner asked the four board members involved in the discussion what the motivation was for that discussion, if they actually believe Ward is solely to blame for poor board dynamics while they take none of the blame and if they support a free exchange of ideas? They did not respond.

Regarding the free exchange of ideas, Ellis explicitly said she does not support that according to the transcript in which she said regarding a board agreement: "I don't agree to 'I will encourage and respect the free expression of opinion.' I don't and I won't."

Sanders was asked why he, as the CEO and not an elected official, would take part in a board self-evaluation

and if he believes that debates should only be done "behind the scenes" and if so, how is that fair to the taxpayers for their government to deliberate behind closed doors? His response: "It would not be appropriate for me to respond to anything alleged to have been said in closed session."

The IASB was also contacted and asked if certain discussions are allowed to be held during closed session board self-evaluations and was asked for simple yes or no answers to examples. The IASB would not or could not answer.

"IASB is not a regulatory agency and does not comment upon pending litigation or complaints before the Ill. Attorney General's Public Access Counselor or any other regulatory agency," Kara Kienzler, IASB's associate executive director of communications and production services, responded.

Of note, *The Examiner* did not reference U-46 or any complaint when contacting the IASB.

Ward told *The Examiner* "our CEO and certain board members were conspiring to try and limit my speech," and she called it "unconscionable" that such discussions as well as past deliberations have been held behind closed doors because "the public has a

right to know."

"In general, I would like this kind of meeting held in public," Ward said. "I just think it would be better for everyone involved if they were held in open session."

Ward added: "It's in the interest of transparency. I believe the public has a right to hear these discussions.... When it's behind closed doors, the public does not have a chance to participate."

Asked about board dynamics and if she communicates with other board members, Ward said she does but "Ms. Ellis does not speak to me."

Ward said to help improve board dynamics she feels the self-evaluations should be held in open as a rule as well as other deliberative discussions that have been held behind closed doors, and she said existing rules regarding regular meetings need to be enforced such as not interrupting others and respecting the opinions of colleagues.

Asked if the board's majority has the objectivity to equally uphold standards to allow a free exchange of ideas to take place, Ward said "clearly given their discussion... clearly no." She said "they clearly see one side," and they

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Fatal accidents occur in Bartlett only hours apart

By Bruce Leighty

Sunday, April 8 was a fateful day for the Bartlett Police Department as they responded to the scenes of accidents with fatalities about two hours apart.

According to the Bartlett Police Department, the first was at approximately 10:40 a.m. as police responded to Illinois Route 59 between Auburn Lane and Santa Fe Street to investigate a fatal motor vehicle crash. Police allege a 49-year-old female, later identified by the Cook Cook County Medical Examiner's office as Katheryn Wirsing of Winfield, was driving a 2015 Ford Fiesta northbound on Route 59 when her vehicle crossed over into the oncoming lane of traffic and struck a 2016 Subaru WRX traveling southbound on Route 59. The driver of the Ford Fiesta was transported to St. Alexius Medical Center in Hoffman Estates, where she was pronounced dead. The driver of the Subaru was transported to Central DuPage Hospital in Winfield with non-life threatening injuries.

According to a police department press release, Route 59 was closed between Stearns Road and West Bartlett Road for over four hours while police and the Major Case Assistance Team's Serious Traffic Accident Reconstruction Team investigated the motor vehicle crash.

Then at approximately 12:45 p.m. police reported responding to Lake Street/U.S. Route 20 near the Route 59 overpass to investigate a fatal single-

vehicle rollover crash. Police allege a 25-year-old male was driving a 2005 Ford Escape with six passengers westbound on U.S. Route 20/Lake Street. He lost control of the vehicle, causing it to rollover. The vehicle then left the roadway and struck a chain-link fence and a ComEd utility pole.

According to police, the driver of the vehicle and a female passenger were pronounced dead at the scene. Five other passengers suffered non-life threatening injuries and were transported to Advocate Sherman Hospital in Elgin and St. Alexius Medical Center in Hoffman Estates.

"None of the deceased were Bartlett residents," said Deputy Chief Geoffrey Pretkelis.

The victims were also later identified by the Cook County Medical Examiner's office. Killed, were the driver, 25-year-old Darion Garner and the 31-year-old passenger, Latasha Lawson, both from Streamwood.

According to Pretkelis, the westbound lanes of Lake Street/U.S. Route 20 were closed between Route 59 and Naperville Road were closed until approximately 10 p.m. Sunday while Bartlett police and the Major Case Assistance Team's Serious Traffic Accident Reconstruction Team investigated that motor vehicle crash.

"As a result of the accident, ComEd had to shut off power to Streamwood residents north of the scene," Pretkelis added.



Hanging out with the bunny

Sisters, from left, Lynda, Emma and Julia Varner with the Easter Bunny at the Park District's Bunny Brunch on Saturday, March 21 at Hoosier Grove Barn. For story and more photos see page 7.

(Examiner photo by Juli Schatz)

What is the cost, impact of U-46 'equity' work?

By Seth Hancock

The Board of Education has been updated at two recent meetings on Jan. 22 and March 12 on "equity" numbers as the administration has been working on behalf of one board member, Traci Ellis, despite U-46 CEO Tony Sanders previously admitting a discussion by the entire board is required to direct staff work. *The Examiner* submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to attempt to get a cost of the work so far, but the district was not forthcoming.

Although the district did not provide the amount of staff hours or cost of its work on the "equity" policy/plan, it did release how much has been spent on professional development mostly surrounding "Equity and Social Justice" workshops with professors James Cohen, Beth Hatt, Pamela Hoff and Pamela Twyman. The FOIA showed that U-46 has spent \$61,271 since 2013 on such workshops.

Some of the workshop titles include "Constructions of Identity and Difference," "Making the blind spots visible-Normalizing Implicit Bias" and "Introducing culturally sensitive pedagogy in the classroom."

Board member Phil Costello made a public statement regarding the recent presentations which showed "data regarding the disproportionate suspensions and expulsions for certain minorities" which he said "are factual and disturbing," but "the allegations of rampant or systemic racism as a root cause are premature and reckless admissions."

Ellis questioned the competency of U-46 teachers and staff at the March 12 meeting and Sanders said "we're doing something wrong," but neither provided any evidence of wrongdoing but rather suggested the data is evidence. Ellis claimed she had anecdotal stories of wrongdoing but would not share them with the board or public.

Costello, on the other hand, says district staff has been professional in handling disciplinary issues.

"To my knowledge, there has not been one credible, evidence-based claim of a racially-motivated incident," Costello said. "Frankly, I have only seen that our District teachers and administrators demonstrate compassion and professionalism where students are accused of violating the student code. Furthermore, our team that deals specifically with investigating these felonious incidents has done a stellar job of objectively investigating and presenting data from all sources for the Board's deliberations."

Ellis suggested at the March 12 meeting that Costello was drawing conclusions that there was no discrimination

in America for simply asking for evidence, to which Costello responded: "I didn't suggest that by the way. I'm just looking for evidence, objective data."

For Ellis, she said there's an "American system problem" and she blames white people for social ills saying the "American systems were built and constructed by white people with a Eurocentric lens for white people." Ron Raglin, assistant superintendent, said that "whiteness" is "a system that we all fall victim to."

In his public statement, Costello said he believes racism does exist in America but "I also believe that we all face challenges from others stemming from ignorance, greed, and array of socio economic factors" and "finger pointing" won't help solve any problems.

"Our systems have given us appropriate paths of recourse that protect individual rights when exercised," Costello said. "There are several constructive ways to deal with inequitable challenges with the preferred behavior to find the inner strength, confidence, and supportive resources to confront the source rather than passively accepting the injustice or employing the ever-popular finger pointing. I implore all students and their families to engage in thoughtful discourse to achieve your own success rather than blaming others for your failure."

The administration is now working on an "equity" plan and further presentations will be coming. Board member Jeanette Ward said at the March 12 meeting that "I hate dividing people up by ethnic groups," but since the district will continue this work she wanted information regarding what leads to success noting that the numbers for Asian students showed they were disciplined less than any other ethnic group and had the largest numbers across all honors programs.

"If we did a plan like that, I'd like to see some study of what causes success.... Let's study success... in addition to studying problems," Ward said.

Ellis responded "So, I'm not looking to compare of Asians. They have an entirely different experience in this country, and you can hardly compare with the Asian experience and the black experience."

The administration did not respond to Ward's request and it is unclear if it'll be honored.

While neither Ellis nor the district administration offered evidence for their claims, Ward has made social media posts supporting her worldview including a *Wall Street Journal* opinion piece written by Jason Riley, a black

journalist, who provided data from the Manhattan Institute that shows in schools that have implemented practices to artificially lower suspensions and other disciplinary rates, the environments in those schools have vastly deteriorated. U-46 has implemented such practices in recent years.

"A Chicago teacher said her school became 'lawless' after the new discipline policy was implemented," Riley wrote.

Roger Clegg, president of the Center for Equal Opportunity, predicts that districts that implement such practices that "school officials will either start disciplining students who shouldn't be, or, more likely, will not discipline some students who ought to be."

Ellis said at the March 12 meeting that "I'm not saying that kids aren't

doing what they are being accused of doing" but "black male children do not act out more than white children, they act differently." That philosophy is one that Aaron Benner, a black teacher from Minnesota, and Walter Williams, a black economist and professor, believe is harmful and racist.

"They're trying to pull one over on us. Black folks are drinking the Kool-Aid; this 'let-them-clown' philosophy could have been devised by the KKK," Benner publicly stated after his St. Paul school implemented such practices in 2015.

"I can't think of a more racist argument than one that holds that disruptive, rude behavior and foul language are a part of black culture," Williams wrote in a townhall.com article titled "Equality in Discipline."

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Sabres volleyball beaten by Geneva in straight sets

By Seth Hancock

The Streamwood volleyball team was competitive but fell short in a 25-18, 25-23 Upstate Eight Conference River Division contest against Geneva on Tuesday, April 3 at Streamwood.

The Sabres kept both sets close most of the night but struggled to place kills against a solid backline from Geneva.

"Overall, I felt my team was very competitive with Geneva," said Streamwood coach Sheryl Hettinger. "Geneva has a good offense with a few big hitters and right along with their defense."

Senior Jack Maybrun (three kills, one block) and junior Joshua Araga (two kills) led the Streamwood hitters, senior Sam Enno led with five assists and two aces and junior Abraham

Martinez led the Sabres' defense with three digs.

To win close matches, Hettinger said defense and teamwork are key to pull out the victories.

"We have to work on all aspects of the game," Hettinger said. "To win games we have to work on our defense. We also have individually talented players who need to come together and become a unit, so communication will be crucial."

The Sabres are still searching for their first win as they fell to 0-7 overall, 0-2 in the UEC River Division, but early in the season Hettinger said her squad has the drive to keep improving.

"My team is very driven," Hettinger said. "They will get right back in the gym and practice what they learned from the game."

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Maintenance pact ratified for natural area services

By Kristin Carreno

At their meeting on Thursday, April 5, village trustees voted unanimously to approve a resolution for professional services for vegetation management in natural areas and wetlands. The contract is with Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick (HLR) at a cost of \$75,900 per year. The pact is for two years with an option for a third year. According to Director of Public Works Matt Mann, the purpose of the contract is to maintain quality native plants in special service areas, reduce algae, improve storm water quality and improve the appearance of the areas. Work will include herbiciding, inva-

sive plant removal, seeding and mowing in various special service areas. "There's 19 special service areas in this contract," said Mann. The prices in the proposal are based on a minimum of two visits per growing season for vegetation species identification and assessment, herbiciding and weed control with additional unit prices for plant installation, seeding, mowing, controlled burning and additional crew time as needed, according to Mann. "They've done a very good job for us," Mann said prior to the board's vote. "We're hoping we can continue to use them."

Sabres soccer logs first win at PepsiCo, fall to Bulldogs

By Seth Hancock

The Streamwood soccer team earned its first win of the season in its PepsiCo Showdown opener, a 5-1 victory over Von Steuben on Saturday, April 7 at Olympic Park in Schaumburg. The Sabres had to shake off a little rust after an over three-week break between games due to spring break and weather cancellations. The game was knotted 1-1 at half-time, Melanie Ramirez scoring off a Kaila Ford assist for the Sabres, but Streamwood dominated the second half scoring four unanswered goals. "We haven't played in a while because of weather," said Streamwood coach Kristin Duffy. "This was our first game back, and I think second half we started communicating as a team and working together." Duffy added: "It's a big confidence

booster with a win. This was our third game, and having a win I think will give us good motivation going into the tournament." Ford went on to net a hat trick with the Sabres first three goals of the second half with the first unassisted while Lesley Jimenez and Alex Meza added helpers. Paulette Carranza scored unassisted for the game's final goal. Streamwood goalkeeper Candy Nava finished with eight saves. "I felt good about our performance," Duffy said. "We were moving off the ball and making offensive efforts as well as played great defense." The Sabres did go on to drop their Upstate Eight Conference River Division opener with a 7-0 loss against Batavia on Monday, April 9 at Batavia. Streamwood is now 1-3 overall.

ISP to provide receptacles for unwanted prescription drugs

The Illinois State Police (ISP) is teaming up with the Save a Star Drug Awareness Foundation to help decrease prescription and over-the-counter drug abuse. Gov. Bruce Rauner has announced that five ISP district headquarters across the state will house receptacles for people to drop off their unused and unwanted prescription medications. "Many people experiment with prescription drugs before turning to more dangerous, illegal drugs," said Rauner. "These receptacles offer people a smart and safe way to get potentially addictive drugs out of their homes and off the streets." Save A Star Drug Awareness Foundation provided the receptacles for the initiative. The foundation was created by David and Gail Katz, whose son died in 2007 from an overdose of prescription medication. "Each day, about 2,500 teens use prescription drugs for non-medical use for the first time. Prescription pills are now killing more of our youth than cocaine, heroin and methamphetamine combined," David Katz said. "Save A Star is pleased to partner with the Illinois State Police to help avoid future tragedies." ISP Director Leo P. Schmitz said the receptacles will be placed at their district headquarters in Des Plaines, Elgin, Joliet, Collinsville and LaSalle. "Prescription drug abuse is a real issue and unfortunately, it's all too often the gateway to opioid drug addiction," Schmitz said. "These receptacles will help us keep drugs out of the wrong hands and will reduce the odds for accidental overdoses and future drug dependency."

People will be able to drop over-the-counter and prescription medications into the receptacles, including controlled substances, pet medications, drug samples, vitamins, liquids and creams. For safety reasons, needles, thermometers, IV Bags, bloody waste and hydrogen peroxide cannot be accepted and should not be deposited into the receptacles. The initiative is another step in the state's effort to reduce opioid-related deaths in Illinois by 33 percent in three years. "Our teams are working hard to combat the opioid crisis and get people the help they need," said Lt. Gov. Evelyn Sanguinetti who co-chairs the Governor's Opioid Overdose Prevention and Intervention Task Force. "Members of our Opioid Task Force have toured this state and listened to people who are impacted by these dangerous drugs. More than 2,200 people have called our Opioid Helpline since its launch in December, and our Prescription Monitoring Program is limiting peoples' ability to get access to more prescription medicine than they need."

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District U-46 to receive additional state funding

By Seth Hancock

The Board of Education in School District U-46 will likely hold special meetings to discuss how to spend additional funding that will be coming from the state as the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) recently released numbers on how a new funding formula will affect districts.

U-46 will receive \$22.5 million in additional funding from the state according to the ISBE numbers which comes from a so-called “evidence-based” funding formula approved by the General Assembly and signed by Gov. Bruce Rauner last August.

Donna Smith, U-46 board president, said at the Monday, April 9 board meeting that she and U-46 CEO Tony Sanders had discussions about the additional funding prior to the meeting and they decided the board should have “at least one,” maybe more, special meetings to discuss it. No dates were set at the meeting.

“This is not money we just want to spend. We want to have discussions around it,” Smith said.

“It’s a good problem to have as a school district, as a board to start having the discussion about how to reinvest in our schools,” Sanders said.

Board member Jeanette Ward said she hopes that alleviating the burden on local taxpayers will be part of the future discussions and that the focus should be on “long-term stability.”

“Given the unreliability of the state funding to our district, which we’ve seen in the past, I think that this money should be spent on one-time expenditures and to paying down the debt so we can have some long-term stability,” Ward said.

Ward noted that the most recent property tax levy increase approved in December by the board, which both she and Phil Costello voted against,

was \$8 million which is “not even half of the additional dollars coming from the state.”

“My question is there any reason why we can’t have a truly flat levy next year or even decrease it, and we can talk about that during these meetings you’re suggesting,” Ward said. “We could have a truly flat levy and still have an increase in funding overall.”

Ward added: “Property tax relief was one of the stated reasons for that legislation. So we should at least contemplate a flat or decreased levy, especially in light of projected declines of student population.”

Smith said “that’s going to be part of the discussion” but “we have to look at all different” options for spending the additional funds.

U-46 has consistently increased its property tax levy by the maximum amount allowed by law but has employed an abatement the last three years which has a stated effect to keep the levy flat. Ward has called the abatement a “sleight of hand” as the district is “in fact increasing the levy extension in a permanent manner while we abate back the money on a temporary basis, and that’s disingenuous to the taxpayers.”

The Fiscal Year 2018 budget approved by the board in September, Costello and Ward both voting against it, planned for spending and tax increases despite enrollment declines for the foreseeable future.

Regarding the enrollment declines noted by Ward, the budget projected enrollments to drop to 36,360 by 2020-21, which if that comes true, would represent a 10.6 percent decline from a 2012 high in enrollment while expenditures will have increased by 22.6 percent over that same period.

Costello was asked if the board’s leadership need to do a better job of fostering a more open environment allowing opinions to be freely expressed without being subjected to personal attacks and what can be done to improve the board dynamics?

“Your question of ways to improve the District should have been the only question asked at the Board Evaluation meeting,” Costello said. “We should embrace lively and challenging debate rather than suppressing it and keeping to a guided narrow script. There should be a discussion of what goes on the Board agenda-to my knowledge that’s never happened as it’s crafted by the Board President and District CEO. I also know from parents and teachers that many subjects are presented to the Board without weighing contrarian positions.”

IDNR turkey hunting safety reminder

Visitors to Illinois state parks, fish and wildlife areas, and other IDNR-managed sites with spring turkey hunting programs in April and May are reminded that hunting areas are closed to activities other than spring wild turkey hunting from one-half hour before sunrise until 1 p.m. daily during the spring turkey season.

The hunting area safety restrictions apply to all visitors, including mushroom collectors. For turkey season dates, check the IDNR website: <https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/hunting/turkey/Documents/Spring%20Turkey%20Hunting%20Information.pdf>.



Connections

Poplar Creek Public Library

Community Crisis Center

Wednesday, April 11

10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Stop by the lobby of the main library where the Elgin Community Crisis Center will have resources for survivors and family members of sexual assault. In addition, they provide services to domestic violence victims and those in economic crisis, offering a food pantry and shelter.

Job Seekers Training Seminar

Saturday, April 14 at 9:30 a.m.

Meeting Room 3

Join speakers from the Illinois WorkNet Center, who will discuss smart strategies to land your next job, or a better job, in 90 days! Registration is recommended, but walk-ins are also welcome. Register online at www.worknetncc.com. Questions? Call Scott at 483-4754.

Titanic: The Ship of Dreams

Saturday, April 14 at 2 p.m.

Meeting Room 1

Please join local Titanic historian, Greg Ellis for a lecture and slide presentation to discuss “Titanic: The Ship of Dreams”—whose dreams were they, how were they different, and how did they end? Register online or call 483-4910. Walk-ins also welcome! Also, don’t forget to view Greg’s display in our Art Gallery hallway now until the end of May.

Coffee with the Trustees

Sunday, April 15 from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Do you have questions, concerns or compliments regarding your library? The library trustees want to hear from you! Join trustees in our main hallway for cookies and a cup of coffee immediately following our Family Concert Series.

Remnants of the Illinois Wilderness

Wednesday, April 18 at 10:30 a.m.

Meeting Room 3

Three-hundred years ago Illinois was a wilderness of prairies, forests and wetlands, untouched since the retreat of the last ice sheet thousands of years earlier. Today, most of that wilderness is gone, but remnants survive, preserved today as state parks, nature preserves and wildlife refuges. Relax and enjoy this scenic slide presentation by photographer James Rowan. Register online or call 483-4910. Walk-ins also welcome!

Eerie Similarities: JFK and Lincoln

Monday, April 16 at 6 pm

Meeting Room 1

John F. Kennedy and Abraham Lincoln. Though different moments in time, both men’s lives ran directly parallel in time to each other. Historian Jim Gibbons will present the similarities between our 35th and 16th Presidents of the United States and their twin paths to a tragic destiny. Register online or call 483-4910. Walk-ins also welcome!

‘Library of Things’ Survey

Would you like to be able to check-out a karaoke machine, card table, cake pans or other unique items from the library? Stop by and fill out a survey and let us know what items you would like to see available in your library. Surveys located in the current newsletter or at public service desks at the main and branch libraries. We look forward to hearing from you!

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

Free speech

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want to only debate behind closed doors.

Costello agreed with Ward that self-evaluations should be held in open session and told *The Examiner* that the “voters should know the Board’s dynamics since we are accountable to only the voters-not the District-not the employees-not Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) and-not each other.”

“Unfortunately, the most recent closed session that was led by the IASB took a diverted course that could only be described as a roast of Mrs. Ward’s politics and tactics rather than how the Board could become more effective,” Costello said. “Interestingly, no one else’s politics or tactics came under any scrutiny. That is exactly what Mrs. Ward publicly expressed as her concern and rationale for boycotting the meeting. In fact, criticism by the majority of the Board has been prevalent in most prior closed-session ‘Board evaluation meetings’ including meetings that preceded my term where Frank Napolitano was ostracized.”

Costello added: “As to the overall performance of the Board, I think that this Board is stagnant since we’ve shown marginal independence and muted innovative thinking. We let status quo be the norm and defer all direction and pass-thru authority to administration officials due to the Board’s void of accountability and our collective inability to represent the taxpayers who fund the District with over \$500-million dollars of entrusted public funds.”

Annual program at Fermilab slated for Sunday, April 29



Annual Wonders of Science program at Fermilab.

(Courtesy photo)

Experience weird science, a fast-paced series of demonstrations on chemical and physical phenomena that will involve guests and young scientists mentally and at times, physically!

Wonders of Science is an annual program provided by the Office of Education and Public Outreach at Fermilab. Each family with at least one child will receive a kit of materials that will enable them to continue their science explorations at home or in the classroom.

The event will be held on Sunday, April 29 the Ramsey Auditorium, Wilson Hall, at Fermilab in Batavia and is recommended for families with children ages 7 through 12. Children must

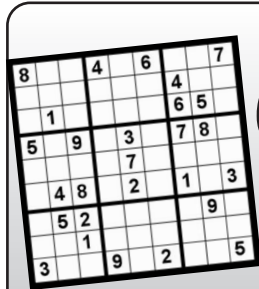
be accompanied by an adult with at least one adult per five children.

Registration fee is \$5 per person (non-refundable). Reservations are required and space is limited. To register for this event:

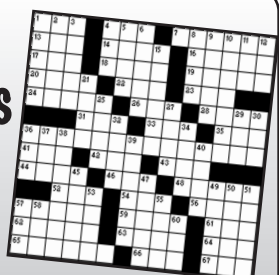
Register and pay online (preferred) at <http://eddata.fnal.gov/lasso/registration/wos-form-select-db.lasso>.

Print and mail the registration form or visit the Lederman Science Center.

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South Elgin falls to Bartlett in straight sets



Adam Deguzman returning to the floor after a block of a Bartlett shot.

By Seth Hancock

The South Elgin volleyball team struggled to pull ahead against rival Bartlett as the Storm dropped their Upstate Eight Conference Valley Division opener 25-23, 25-17 on Wednesday, April 4 at South Elgin.

The Storm fell behind early in Game 1 and had to chase the rest of the set, and they did rally eventually knotting things up at 20-20 and 21-21. Bartlett would score three straight points for a 24-21 lead, and eventually finished the set.

"When your team can fight back, that's something I'm glad to see," said South Elgin coach Adam Plach. "We have to get a little more out of our serve. We're

missing some of our zones."

Plach added: "Bartlett is a very well-rounded team, and that's why we can't give them such simple serves because they have hitters on the pins, the middles, and they take some good swings."

Jacob Ozga (three blocks) opened Game 2 with a kill and a Bartlett error made it 2-0, but that was the Storm's only lead. South Elgin kept it close through a 14-13 deficit before the visitors started pulling away.

Vincent Miskiewicz finished with six kills, King Thomas four kills, Christian Ayar 10 assists and Daniel Skrzypchak five digs.

"We've got a young team, and they're still trying to find their identity," Plach said. "What I'd like to see

out of my team a bit more is some fire. Guys move from spot to spot very lackadaisically."

The Storm opened the week with a tough 27-25, 25-22 nonconference loss to Hoffman Estates on Monday, April 2 at Hoffman Estates.

Plach said like the Bartlett match, a little fire in his team could have helped the Storm prevail in the tight match.

"It's just that spark that could put us over the edge," Plach said. "I'm seeing them figure some things out in terms of playing, but I'm still not sure they've figured out the importance of playing with that intensity."

South Elgin is now 4-4 overall.



The Storm's King Thomas, left, and Jacob Ozga at the net with Thomas successfully blocking the Bartlett shot.

(Examiner photos by Bruce Leighty)



South Elgin's Christian Ayar back-handing a drop shot against the Hawks.



The Storm's Mandeep Sangha bracing for a Bartlett serve as the two teams battled on Wednesday, April 4.

Public Works to obtain truck replacement

By Kristin Carreno

During the Village Board meeting on Monday, April 2, board members voted unanimously in favor of an ordinance to authorize the trade-in of a surplus vehicle and the purchase of a 2019 Kenworth T370 Cab Chassis from CIT Trucks, LLC, Loves Park, Illinois.

According to Director of Public Works Richard Gallas, this purchase would replace truck #29 which is a 10-year-old vehicle.

Gallas indicated the purchase cost is \$88,349, however, the vendor offered

a trade-in value of \$43,800 for the older vehicle, a 2008 International 7400. The trade-in lowered the cost to \$44,752 that included a \$203 title cost.

According to Gallas, the department uses the National Joint Purchasing Alliance (NJPA) to guarantee the lowest price. NJPA is an organization that competitively bids items for the benefit of member communities that belong to the alliance.

“We’re very pleased with this new type of vehicle and getting over \$40,000 for a trade in,” said Gallas.

South Elgin soccer topped by Elgin in frosty match

By Seth Hancock

The South Elgin soccer team struggled to get its offense going in a 3-0 loss to Elgin in Upstate Eight Conference crossover play on Thursday, April 5 at Elgin.

Elgin scored its first goal early in the game and again early in the second half for a 2-0 lead. The host added the final score with 11:57 left to play.

“I think in the first half, we just got caught up in it being our first time on a field in a while,” said South Elgin coach Laura Szwaja. “We were playing too much long ball on offense, and we were fragmented. A couple of their goals were unfortunate.”

Weather wreaked havoc on area teams the entire week, and the game started with some snowfall on a frigid day.

However, Szwaja said the playing conditions were not a factor.

“The conditions were actually better than what we thought they would be,” Szwaja said. “It was a nonfactor. If you’re playing spring soccer, it’s something you’re used to.”

After falling behind 2-0, the Storm had a few chances first on an attack by Nikki Nguyen and Isabella Tusa, and with about 17 minutes left to play Madeline Freitag had a pair of corner kicks with the second leading to a shot that went wide by Sarah Boghossian.

Elgin would finish with a 12-6 shot on goal advantage. Storm goalkeeper Corinne Figueiredo finished with nine saves.

“We’re trying to play the long ball, and that’s something that’s not going to work for us,” Szwaja said of her offense. “We need to be able to build up our attack. We’ve got some speed, but not enough that we can consistently beat opposing defenses.”

The Storm are now 0-3-2 overall.

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prove the board dynamics?

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Fox Valley Wildlife Center has received 1,500 animals since Jan. 1, 2014! Almost all of these animals have been babies. Due to this, they are in much need of Kleenex. They are asking for donations of non-scented Kleenex boxes. They are also in much need of fruits and vegetables, mainly grapes, melon, zucchini, squash and greens. If you are able to donate these items, please drop-off at the center any day between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

The Examiner Asked

On Monday, April 9, students at Clinton Elementary School:

What is the greatest invention ever, and why?



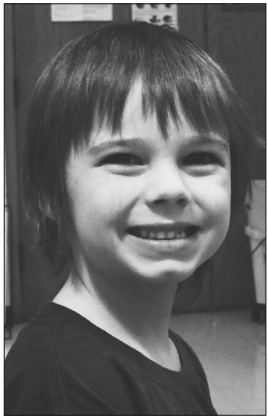
Sydney Smith: “Puppies and kittens because they’re so cute.”



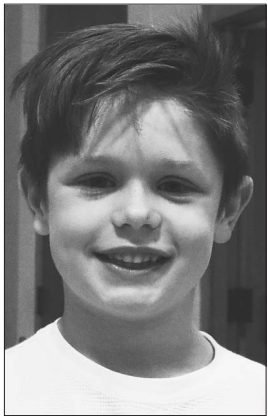
Alice Mall: “Radios are the best because you can listen to music in the car.”



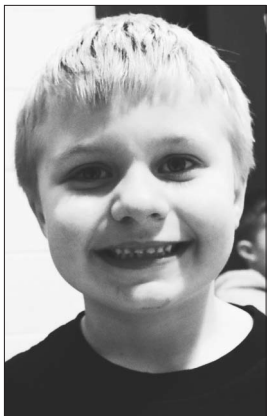
Kyla Dieter: “Video games because they’re so fun and there’s so many kinds.”



Michael Kllien: “Captain Underpants books because they have pictures and words.”



Oliver Johnson: “Video games, because they’re fun to play and you can play them with other people.”



Caden Bailey: “I think helicopters because they have two propellers so they can go up and down, or sideways.”

(By Juli Schatz)

Tidbits

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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.

The South Elgin Methodist Church Food Pantry welcomes anyone in need, and they also take donations. Currently, they could use cereal, condiments, paper products, cake mixes, crackers (assorted and/or saltines), pickles, pickle relish and salad dressings. There is a barrel in the entrance near the parking lot of church, which is open for drop-offs Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9 a.m. to noon or Monday through Friday evenings from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Seated exercise classes at The Salvation Army, 1710 S. 7th Ave., St. Charles, on Wednesdays for fun and great exercise! From 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Free and open to all in the community.

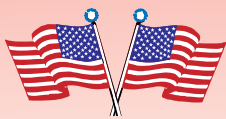
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Split vote approves
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Bartlett soccer plays
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Village repealing gas, electric utility taxes

By Seth Hancock

The Village Board of Trustees unanimously approved of the elimination of utility taxes at its meeting on Tuesday, April 3 which comes after approving of a new 1 percent home rule sales tax on March 20.

The board approved of two measures to repeal both the natural gas and electricity use taxes.

"With the approval of the sales tax, the Board committed to repealing the Municipal Natural Gas Use Tax and the Electricity Use Tax," Finance Director Todd Dowden said in a memo

to the board. "These taxes combined after senior rebates generated about \$600,000 annually."

Dowden estimated that the new sales tax will generate \$1.6 million annually.

Trustee Vince Carbonaro asked if a separate vote will be needed to eliminate the senior rebate portion of the utility taxes. Bryan Mraz, village attorney, said "that is coming" after the repeal of the taxes.

"With the repeal of the taxes, senior rebates will be issued for the last time in the summer of 2018 for taxes paid

during the 2017/18 fiscal year," Dowden wrote in his memo.

The elimination of the utility taxes will take effect on June 1 while the sales tax will take effect on July 1.

The sales tax was approved by a 4-1 vote in March, Trustee Aaron Reinke voting no while Trustee Kristina Gabrenya was absent. The board was given two options, either a 1 percent or a 0.75 percent sales tax, and Trustee Raymond Deyne made the motion for the 1 percent tax.

Trustee Adam Hopkins said the elimination of the utility taxes repre-

sents the fulfillment of campaign promises he and other trustees made.

"I just want to say I am excited to have this repealed," said Hopkins who added: "I think taxing something that is a necessity, that's just wrong."

"I too agree with this move. It took us five years to do it," said Kevin Wallace, village president, and Deyne said "it's been a long battle."

Carbonaro said after the meeting it's been a "five-year war" and "we've got a little bit of a victory."

Fatal accidents occur in village only hours apart

By Bruce Leighty

Sunday, April 8 was a fateful day for the Bartlett Police Department as they responded to the scenes of accidents with fatalities about two hours apart.

According to the Bartlett Police Department, the first was at approximately 10:40 a.m. as police responded to Illinois Route 59 between Auburn Lane and Santa Fe Street to investigate a fatal motor vehicle crash. Police allege a 49-year-old female, later identified by the Cook County Medical Examiner's office as Katheryn Wirsing of Winfield, was driving a 2015 Ford Fiesta northbound on Route 59 when her vehicle crossed over into the oncoming lane of traffic and struck a 2016 Subaru WRX traveling southbound on Route 59. The driver of the Ford Fiesta was transported to St.

Alexius Medical Center in Hoffman Estates, where she was pronounced dead. The driver of the Subaru was transported to Central DuPage Hospital in Winfield with non-life threatening injuries.

According to a police department press release, Route 59 was closed between Stearns Road and West Bartlett Road for over four hours while police and the Major Case Assistance Team's Serious Traffic Accident Reconstruction Team investigated the motor vehicle crash.

Then at approximately 12:45 p.m. police reported responding to Lake Street/U.S. Route 20 near the Route 59 overpass to investigate a fatal single-vehicle rollover crash. Police allege a 25-year-old male was driving a 2005 Ford Escape with six passengers

westbound on U.S. Route 20/Lake Street. He lost control of the vehicle, causing it to rollover. The vehicle then left the roadway and struck a chain-link fence and a ComEd utility pole.

According to police, the driver of the vehicle and a female passenger were pronounced dead at the scene. Five other passengers suffered non-life threatening injuries and were transported to Advocate Sherman Hospital in Elgin and St. Alexius Medical Center in Hoffman Estates.

"None of the deceased were Bartlett residents," said Deputy Chief Geoffrey Pretkelis.

The victims were also later identified

by the Cook County Medical Examiner's office. Killed, were the driver, 25-year-old Darion Garner and the 31-year-old passenger, Natasha Lawson, both from Streamwood.

According to Pretkelis, the westbound lanes of Lake Street/U.S. Route 20 were closed between Route 59 and Naperville Road were closed until approximately 10 p.m. Sunday while Bartlett police and the Major Case Assistance Team's Serious Traffic Accident Reconstruction Team investigated that motor vehicle crash.

"As a result of the accident, ComEd had to shut off power to Streamwood residents north of the scene," Pretkelis added.

Car strikes empty bus, none injured in accident



A District U46 school bus was rear ended by a 2007 Lexus with sufficient impact to lift the bus' rear wheels off the ground. The accident occurred on Tuesday, April 3 at the intersection of Devon Avenue and South Main Street.

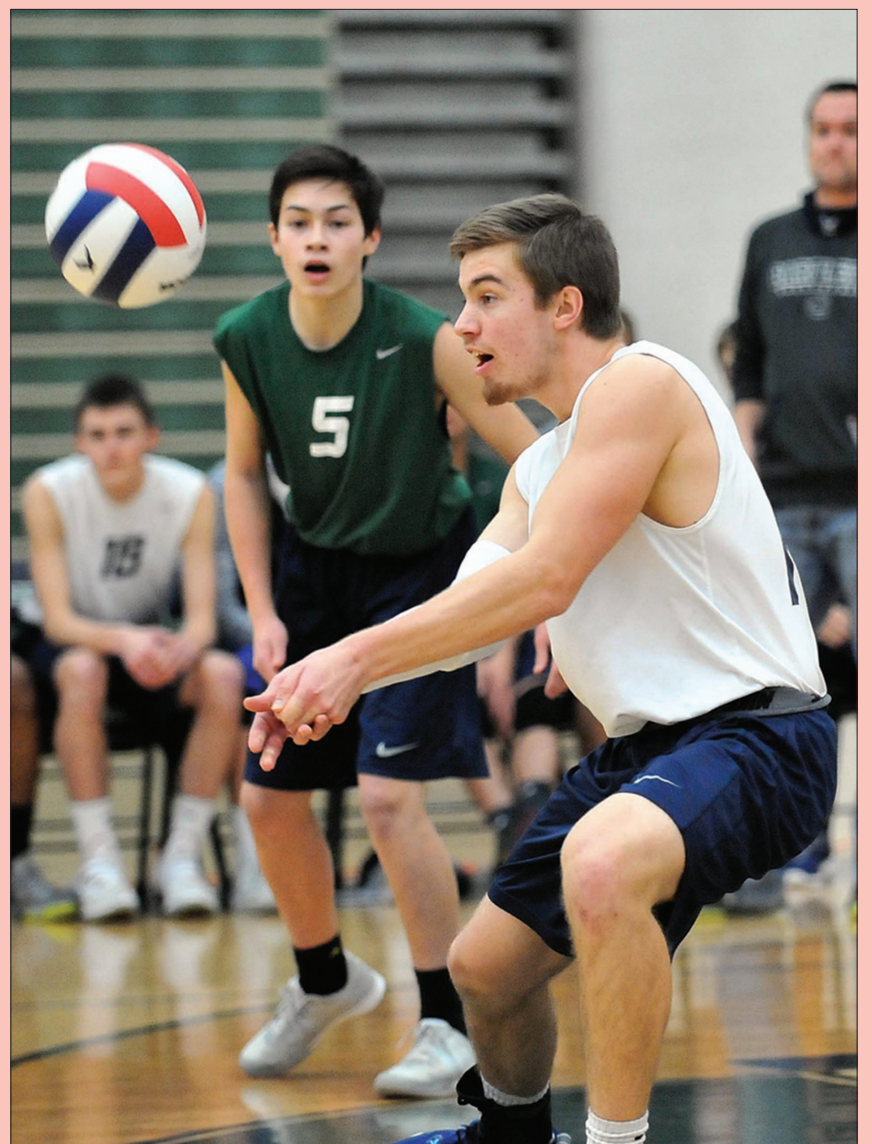
Story and photo by Bruce Leighty

On Tuesday, April 3 at approximately 2:30 p.m., Bartlett police were called to the scene of a two-vehicle accident involving a School District U-46 school bus at the intersection of Devon Avenue and South Main Street. A white 2007 Lexus, driven by a 74-year-old woman had struck the school bus from behind and with sufficient impact to force the rear driver-side wheel off the roadway. Both vehicles were

traveling westbound on Devon Avenue at the time of the accident.

According to Deputy Chief Geoffrey Pretkelis there were no students on the bus at the time of the accident and the Lexus was occupied by the driver and one passenger. No one was injured in the accident.

"The driver of the Lexus was ticketed for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident," said Pretkelis. "Her car had to be towed from the scene."



Setting for a win

The Hawks Mark Repiscak accepting a Glenbard North serve during Bartlett's three-set victory over the Panthers Monday, April 2. For story and more photos see page 10. (Examiner photo by Bruce Leighty)

Hawks’ week includes wins over North, Storm



Bartlett’s Martin Radomski receiving a Glenbard North shot to begin a volley that resulted in a Hawks point against the Panthers.



Carter Burzlaff delivering a winning kill shot for the Hawks against the Panthers.

By Seth Hancock

The Bartlett volleyball team has rival South Elgin’s number twice within five days.

After winning the U-46 invite the previous week-end, which included a win over the Storm, the Hawk defeated South Elgin (4-4 overall) 25-23, 25-17 in both team’s Upstate Eight Conference Valley Division openers on Wednesday, April 4 at South Elgin.

“It feels pretty good especially since they came to our house and beat us last year,” Toiyon Walton,

who had seven kills, said of beating their rival.

The win was the ninth straight for the Hawks who opened the year 0-4, and they opened the night leading most of Game 1. The Storm did tie the set at 20-20 and 21-21, but the Hawks prevailed eventually winning on a Walton kill.

The Storm opened Game 2 with a 2-0 lead behind a Jacob Ozga (three blocks) kill and a Hawks error, but that was their only lead. The game remained tight through a 14-13 Bartlett lead when the Hawks pulled away eventually using a Jacob Bush (four kills) ace and Storm error to end it.

Bartlett has high hopes for the year after returning most of last season’s squad.

“Now with a year under our belt, I think we’re a lot more prepared for every team on the other side of the net,” said Garrett Jurina who had two kills and two blocks. “We’re hoping for big things in the playoffs too.”

Carter Burzlaff (11 assists), Jonathan Ruge (nine assists) and Sohum Desai

(nine digs) contributed for Bartlett.

Bartlett was coming off a 25-20, 18-25, 25-22 non-conference win over Glenbard North on Monday, April 2 at Bartlett. The Hawks built a 19-9 lead to take momentum in Game 1 and led the entire Game 3 after a 5-2 start.

Walton (nine kills, three blocks), Bush (five kills), Burzlaff (12 assists, seven digs), James Ballance (seven digs), Ruge (two aces) and Martin Radomski (two aces) led the Hawks, and Bartlett coach Bob Schwantz said it was their first victory over Glenbard North in his seven years with the Hawks.

“We kind of like to circle this one on our schedule,” Schwantz said. “We know it’s going to be a good fight. My guys kept their composure. We made some mistakes, but they didn’t dwell on them.”

The Hawks ended the week 12-6 overall after a 3-2 performance at the Rolling Meadows Invite on Saturday, April 7. Bartlett defeated Rolling Meadows (18-25, 25-20, 15-11), St. Viator (25-19, 25-22) and Buffalo Grove (25-14, 25-22) but lost to Fremd (20-25, 25-19, 15-10) and Addison Trail (25-18, 25-21).



Connor LaFerle extending to set for the Hawks in the team’s three set victory over Glenbard North.



Jacob Bush with a successful block of would-be Glenbard North kill shot.

(Examiner photos by Bruce Leighty)

Police Reports

the 300 block of Hickory for a warrant service.

★ At 3:44 p.m., police responded to Thornton Oil, 900 N. LaFox, for a report of an activated alarm.

★ At 4:14 p.m., police responded to the 300 block of Thornwood for a report of an activated alarm.

★ At 4:53 p.m., police responded to the 700 block of East Main for a report of theft.

★ At 5:09 p.m., police responded to the 300 block of Woodridge for a missing juvenile report.

★ At 9:01 p.m., police responded to the vicinity of Bowes and LaFox for a report of an intoxicated subject.

Tuesday, April 3

★ At 3:23 a.m., police responded to Chilis, 620 Randall Road, for a report of an activated alarm.

★ At 3:59 a.m., police responded to Chilis, 620 Randall Road, for a report of an activated alarm.

★ At 2:30 p.m., police responded to 760 E. Main St., South Elgin High School, for an ordinance violation.

★ At 3:47 p.m., police responded to the 700 block of Dean for a report of a suspicious incident.

★ At 6:22 p.m., police responded to the 300 block of Adam for a request to assist fire department personnel.

★ At 7:14 p.m., police responded to the 700 block of Fulton for a report of a domestic in progress.

★ At 7:39 p.m., police responded to the South Elgin Municipal Annex, 1 W. State, for a report of a suspicious person.

STREAMWOOD

Sunday, March 25

★ At 5:30 p.m., Zacharian L. Jackson,

22, South Elgin, was arrested and charged with possession of cannabis, possession of drug paraphernalia, driving while license suspended. He was released on bond and faces an undetermined court date.

Thursday, March 29

★ At 12:09 a.m., Yazmin Cruz, 20, Streamwood, was arrested and charged with possession of cannabis. She was released on bond and faces an undetermined court date.

Friday, March 30

★ At 4:17 p.m., Roberta M. Pizzimenti, 90, Hoffman Estates, was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct. She was released on bond and faces an undetermined court date.

★ At 8:25 p.m., Alexandra J. Banks, 32, Carpentersville, was arrested and charged with aggravated DUI for no insurance, no valid driver's license, expired registration, failure to yield to an emergency vehicle and transport of open alcohol. She was released on bond and faces an undetermined court date.

Tuesday, April 3

★ At 5:37 p.m., Addrian Moreno-Marandra, 41, Elgin, was arrested and charged with DUI and an outstanding warrant. He was held awaiting bond call.

★ At 10:34 p.m., Brian A. Benitez, 20, Streamwood, was arrested and charged with possession of cannabis. He was released on bond and faces an undetermined court date.

Wednesday, April 4

★ At 11:05 p.m., Errol S. Asnaz, 37, Bartlett, was arrested on warrant and charged with failure to appear. The subject was held awaiting bond call.

★ At 4:22 p.m., Jose Bernardo Mejia, 23, Dundee, was arrested and charged

with operating an uninsured motor vehicle, driving while license suspended, and operating a motor vehicle while registration is suspended for no insurance. He was released on an I-bond and faces an undetermined court date.

Thursday, April 5

★ At 1:10 a.m., Julian D. Pope, 39, Madison, Wisconsin, was arrested and charged with manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance. The subject was released on bond and faces an undetermined court date.

★ At 5:54 p.m., Cathy L. Loy, 56, South Elgin, was arrested and charged with retail theft. She was released on bond and faces an undetermined court date.

WAYNE

Thursday, March 29

★ At 7:55 p.m., in the vicinity of Army Trail and Grove, an officer observed a vehicle on the side of the road with a flat tire. The driver advised she was waiting for AAA.

Monday, April 2

★ At 2:28 p.m., in the vicinity of Army Trail and School, a vehicle driven by Jonathan Cabrel, 25, address withheld, was stopped for doing 43 miles per hour in a 25 miles per hour zone. Cabrel was found to have a suspended license and arrested. He was transported to the police department, where he was issued his citations and later released with an unspecified court date.

Hawks baseball betrayed by defense in 12-6 setback

By Seth Hancock

Defensive miscues doomed the Bartlett baseball team in a 12-6 non-conference loss against Conant on Monday, April 2 at Conant.

The Hawks outhit Conant 12-10 but couldn't rally after falling behind 12-0 after two frames. Bartlett starter Tyler Yang went one-plus inning on the mound allowing 10 runs, but only three of those runs were earned as the Hawks defense committed six errors on the day.

Bartlett did post a four-run top of the third inning to pull to 12-4 and then added two more in the fifth for the final scores of the game.

Matthew Angelone led the Hawks of-

fense going 4-for-4 with a double and three RBI and both Ben Fisher (3-for-4) and Joey Allen (2-for-4) added multi-hit performances. Geno Frieri (RBI) and Yang each had a double, Jacob Chowanec had a single and an RBI and Caleb Ercoli stole two bases.

Bartlett has now allowed 9.8 runs per game over its opening six, something Bartlett coach Devin Rosen says needs to be improved upon.

"Pitching is our biggest Achilles' heel right now," Rosen said. "We've got to go out there and get quality innings and quality starts. We're giving up too many runs."

The Hawks are now 1-5 overall.



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at Villa Olivia
Sunday, May 13, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Let mom sit back and relax while enjoying a delicious selection of her favorite foods without lifting a finger in the kitchen. Brunch includes: breakfast items, entrees, homemade soup, and of course desserts. Reservations are required and taken at 289-1000. Villa Olivia is located at 1401 W. Lake St., in Bartlett.

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Open Mic Night
Friday, April 20 and Saturday, May 5,
7 to 9 p.m.

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tion information. Open Mic is for Youth through Adult. Free to performers and \$2 for audience members. Held at the Bartlett Nature Center, 2054 W. Stearns Road.

Earth Day
Saturday, April 21, 12 to 4 p.m.
Celebrate Earth Day with the Bartlett Nature Center and the Bartlett Parks Foundation as we hold our annual environmental awareness event. Everyone is invited to this free family-friendly celebration where you will see a variety of demonstrations, educational exhibits and participate in hands-on activities. The world around us is always changing, and so is our Earth Day celebration. One thing that hasn't changed is that this event is free to the public. No reservation required. This is open to all ages and held from noon to 4 p.m. at the Bartlett Nature Center, 2054 W. Stearns Road.

Ladies Night Out
Thursday, April 26, 6 to 9 p.m.
This night offers a great opportunity for ladies to enjoy socializing shopping, and sipping! Held in the BCC Oak Room, 700 S. Bartlett Road. Free to attend. Includes shopping, cash bar, and free food. Interested vendors should call Nick 540-4895.

Special Open Swim Times
May 4
Spend your school day off at Splash Central swimming on May 4 from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Splash Central is located in the Bartlett Community Center Bartlett, 700 S. Bartlett Road.

Hawks soccer forges draw with Glenbard East

By Seth Hancock
The Bartlett soccer team settled for a 0-0 tie with Glenbard East, but the Hawks came away with some confidence after their Upstate Eight Conference Valley Division opener on Tuesday, April 3 at Glenbard East.

Last year the two teams shared the conference title after a 2-2 tie. Although scoreless, this year's matchup saw plenty of offensive chances from both sides on a frigid day.

"Overall, it was the best team performance up to this point in the season considering the opponent's level, weather conditions and two of our starting players unable to start," said Bartlett coach Victor Marquez.

Bartlett's defense and goalkeeper Teagan Noesen preserved the Hawks third shutout of the season against a Glenbard East squad that was averaging 3.4 goals per game. Helping the Hawks' defensive cause were Kelsey Sniatynsky, Miranda Hedeon, Paige Bednarke, Alyssa Modugno and Makenna Hughes.

Noesen made multiple diving stops and athletic saves in the game including maybe the biggest with less than four minutes to play when she leapt to knock away a shot looking to squeeze through under the crossbar.

"Our defensive performance was solid across the board, however, our last line of defense did an outstanding job reducing the space and challenging 50-50 balls," Marquez said. "Noesen had three very important saves to keep the shutout."

Offensively the Hawks had their chances led by the attack of Jenna Dombrowski while Bednarke had multiple set piece chances as did Modugno.

However, Marquez said his team could have done a better job near the net after producing solid attacks.

"While on the attack, the team was able to move and keep the ball often, however, in the last 20 meters we couldn't create clear scoring opportunities," said Marquez who added that in "game situations inside the box" his team needs to create more "one-on-one chances with the opponent's goalkeeper."

Bartlett ended the week with a 1-2 performance at the St. Louis Classic where the Hawks offense again struggled producing just one goal, which came in a 1-0 victory against Cor Jesu (Missouri) on Saturday, April 7. The Hawks fell 5-0 against Nerinx Hall (Missouri) on Saturday and 1-0 against Parkway South (Missouri) on Friday, April 6.

The Hawks are now 4-4-1 overall.

Free speech

Continued from page 9

the District should have been the only question asked at the Board Evaluation meeting," Costello said. "We should embrace lively and challenging debate rather than suppressing it and keeping to a guided narrow script. There should be a discussion of what goes on the Board agenda to my knowledge that's never happened as it's crafted by the Board President and District CEO. I also know from parents and teachers that many subjects are presented to the Board without weighing contrarian positions."

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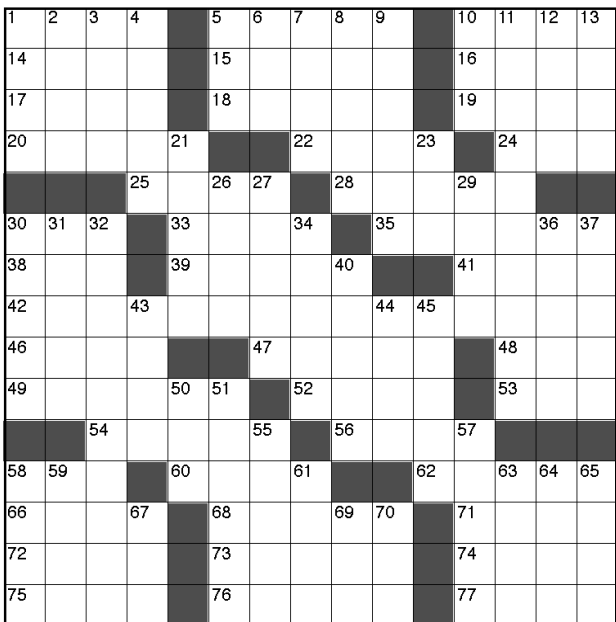
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REAL ESTATE SALES

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DUPAGE COUNTY WHEATON, ILLINOIS

Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper PLAINTIFF

Vs.

Richard A. Ross; et. al. DEFENDANTS

2017CH 001355

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 1/29/2018, John Zaruba, the Sheriff of DuPage County, Illinois will on May 10, 2018 at the hour of 10:00AM at DuPage County Sheriff's Office 501 North County Farm Road Wheaton, IL 60187, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of DuPage and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

PIN 01-10-306-007

Improved with Single Family Home

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1187 Independence Drive, Bartlett, IL 60103

Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-17-13839.

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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DUPAGE COUNTY WHEATON, ILLINOIS

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, PLAINTIFF,

Vs.

LOUIS METROPULOS; ORCHARDS OF BARTLETT HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, DEFENDANTS.

2017CH 001496

512 ORCHARD PASS BARTLETT, IL 60107

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on March 13, 2018, Sheriff of DuPage County will on May 10, 2018, in 501 North County Farm Road, Wheaton, IL 60187, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of DuPage, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

TAX NO. 01-10-228-008

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 512 Orchard Pass, Bartlett, IL 60107

Description of Improvements: single family frame att 2 car garage

The Judgment amount was \$41,876.10.

Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay

the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For Information: Visit our website at <http://ilforeclosuresales.mrplic.com>.

Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St. Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 264710

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DUPAGE COUNTY WHEATON, ILLINOIS

GSR MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2005-AR7, PLAINTIFF,

Vs.

KARL E. JOHNSON; LISAA. JOHNSON, DEFENDANTS.

11 CH 003427

1391 NEWCASTLE LANE BARTLETT, IL 60103

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on June 14, 2012, Sheriff of DuPage County will on May 3, 2018, in 501 North County Farm Road, Wheaton, IL 60187, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of DuPage, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

TAX NO. 01-11-404-004

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1391 NEWCASTLE LANE, BARTLETT, IL 60103

Description of Improvements: TWO STORY SINGLE FAMILY HOME WITH TWO CAR ATTACHED GARAGE

The Judgment amount was \$402,376.29.

Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

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Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St. Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 677

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

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