Press Clippings for 1/18/2023

- Daily Herald -

Elisa Lara appointed to Gail Borden Public Library board

Jan. 16, 2023 Submitted by Gail Borden Public Library



Gail Borden Public Library District board president Jean Bednar, right, swears in new library board trustee Elisa Lara. Courtesy of Gail Borden Public Library



Elisa Lara

With her health care work in screenings, presentations, health fairs and clinics, she has valuable knowledge and relationships throughout the city. She is a member of the Elgin Hispanic Network, City of Elgin Human Relations Commision and the Latino Treatment

Center board. She has also served on the Coalition of Safe and Healthy Elgin Board and many more positive community organizations.

A graduate of Elgin Area School District U-46 schools, Elisa holds a bachelor of science degree in nursing from Northern Illinois University.

Lara was appointed to fill the term of trustee John Kokoris who recently resigned. The term expires in April 2023.

"We are so pleased to welcome Elisa Lara," said Jean Bednar, president of the Gail Borden Public Library District board. "Of course, we were sorry to lose John who was an outstanding trustee, but we know that Elisa will bring so much to the board, the library and the community."

Carole Medal, CEO of Gail Borden Public Library District, said, "Elisa has been such an important part of our recent Pandemic Team efforts and our 2020 Census campaign, we are happy that she has agreed to serve. The library district will benefit greatly from her connections throughout the community."

"I am honored and privileged," Lara said. "I look forward to collaborating with the community and board to advocate for the library and literacy."

- Elgin Courier News -

MLK drive collects more than 30,000 pounds of food Four people presented with Elgin humanitarian awards

Jan. 18, 2023 By Gloria Casas for Courier-News

The Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. food drive in Elgin collected about 30,000 pounds of donations from one church and is receiving monetary donations from others, organizers said.

It was the culmination of several Elgin events held to commemorate the life and actions of the civil rights leader for whom a holiday was celebrated Monday. It was clear the community responded to the call and the need, said Joe Wars, who organizes the food drive.

A final total on how much food was collected from all the groups involved was not available Tuesday but the numbers so far are estimable, said Danise Habun, vice chair of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Committee, which cosponsored the 38th annual MLK Day celebration with the Elgin Human Relations Commission.

In addition to the food drive, the weekend included a prayer breakfast and the Illinois premiere of the documentary film, "Invented, Before You Were Born," the story of two white siblings who discover they are the descendants of Kentucky plantation owner Richard Bibb, who also sired children with some of his Black slaves. One of their relatives is Elgin native Traci O'Neal Ellis, whose father was School District U-46's first Black principal.

At the prayer breakfast, four people received the 2023 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Humanitarian Award.

They were Elgin police detective Dan Rouse, Our Neighborhood Empowered Fitness Center owner Marcus Banner, African American Coalition of Kane County President Shirley Bassett and Mansi Patel, director of development, Equity and Human Relations for Family Service Association of Greater Elgin Area.

"They are all outstanding individuals," Habun said. "The commission said each person is worthy and deserved to win."

Scholarships were given to students who demonstrated an active interest and meaningful involvement in the areas of human rights, civil rights, social justice and/or world peace. The winners were Axel Magana, Larkin High School, Jalea McPherson, South Elgin High School, and Janiyah Taylor, Elgin High School.

Gloria Casas is a freelance reporter for The Courier-News.

Elgin Courier-News –

Renovate, refresh, re-imagine Lots of changes planned for Elgin Public Museum, including a new mural

Jan. 18, 2023 By Mike Danahey - Courier News

While it's closed for its annual January break, Elgin Public Museum will be undergoing a bit of a face-lift, with work refreshing and renovating some exhibits getting underway and a new mural being added to one of its walls, officials said.

"We're just getting started on revamping the endangered species exhibit, which will now focus on species from Illinois," said Sharry Blazier, who serves as the museum director and education coordinator.

The revisions are being funded with a grant from the Seigle Foundation and will include a mural being created by local artist Heather Dorsch.

"Heather used to come here as a child and took part in overnight programming the museum had," Blazier said. "The mural will be on an upstairs wall that is adjacent to a condor in our collection, which is her favorite part of the museum."

They're also working with local student and scouting organizations to create content about endangered species, she said.

Also on the second floor will be a new attraction looking at the variety of trees growing in or previously part of Lords Park, where the museum is located. It's being sponsored by the Davey Tree Expert Co., which is also helping to put the exhibit together, Blazier said.

Thanks to a grant from the Palmer Foundation, the museum also will be broadening and refreshing an exhibit about the LaSalle Expedition, the 3,300-mile journey undertaken by Frenchman René-Robert Cavelier, Sieur de La Salle and his party in 1681 and 1682.

The explorers followed the St. Lawrence River from Montreal to the Great Lakes and then used various waterways to reach the Mississippi River, which they took to the Gulf of Mexico.

Among those working as a volunteer on the exhibit is Rich Gross, a retired teacher and Elgin firefighter who undertook the same journey — led by Elgin Larkin High School teacher Reid Lewis — with a group of other Elgin-area residents in 1976. He has published papers on LaSalle over the course of his career.

Museum assistant Abigayle Rasmussen is doing additional research about the 17th century expedition. Rasmussen is fluent in French and has a degree in archaeology, so they'll be able to present the information to visitors in English, French and Spanish, Blazier said.

There also will be more information about the indigenous people the Europeans encountered along the way and how the technology used by the explorers and the native people helped influence both cultures, Gross said.

He will be lending the museum pieces from his own collection related to the expedition, including some from the 1976 trip.

New items from the museum's holdings will be put on display, Blazier said, and they're working with School District U-46 on ways to make the LaSalle exhibit relevant to what students are learning in classes today.

"The intention is to design the exhibit so that it can be used across various curricula," Gross said.

The final changes planned involve the museum's Discovery Room displays. They want to make them more simplified and interactive to better engage the younger visitors for whom they're designed, museum board President Judy Hayner said.

Some will be repurposed from other exhibits, with much of the work being undertaken by volunteer and former museum exhibit coordinator Mike McGrath.

The work with be completed in phases, with the tree exhibit finished by late April, Blazier said.

"We hope the endangered species exhibit will be finished in the spring so we can have the students who participated come for an unveiling party," she said.

"The Discovery Room, while always featuring changes, will have the bulk of its infrastructural changes completed by or during summer."

The LaSalle Expedition exhibit should also be done by summer, although it too will remain a work-in-progress with changes made periodically, Blazier said.

The museum reopens to the public Feb. 4.

Mike Danahey is a freelance reporter for The Courier-News.

Elgin Courier News – Elgin News Digest Elgin mobile market days increasing to twice a month

Jan. 18, 2023 By Mike Danahey - Courier News

Northern Illinois Food Bank is increasing its mobile market days in Elgin from one day to two, with the next being from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 24, in the parking lot at the Buena Vista Apartments, 1285 Fleetwood Drive.

The drive-up markets are for anyone in need of groceries and are held either at Buena Vista or in the parking lot of the former Sherman Hospital, 901 Center St., off Slade Avenue.

No ID, proof of income or referral is needed.

Both market days are held in collaboration with Elgin Partnership for Early Learning, Elgin Township, School District U-46, Siegle Foundation and other organizations.

For more information, including a complete schedule for January and February, go to www.solvehungertoday.org.

Elgin funeral home collecting Valentines for vets

A Valentines for Vets drive in which area residents are asked to provide signed hand-made or store-bought Valentine's Day cards for local veterans is being held by the Symonds-Madison Funeral Home in Elgin.

Cards can be dropped off through Monday, Feb. 6, at the 305 Park St. business for distribution to local veterans service organizations, nursing homes, hospitals, churches and senior living facilities during the second week of February.

Valentines can be dropped off Monday through Saturday during business hours in the special

A mailbox is set up in the funeral home lobby where cards can be deposited during business hours Monday through Friday. After hours, they can be placed in the mail slot.

For more information, go to bit.ly/valentinevets or call 847-741-1128.

- Examiner of Bartlett -

District U-46 considering new curriculum proposal

Jan. 18, 2022 By Seth Hancock

The Board of Education in School District U-46 will vote on a curriculum resource proposal at its upcoming meeting on Monday, Jan. 23.

The proposal would replace StudySync as a literacy and K-12 libraries resource with CommonLit Schools Essential PRO. The proposal was presented at the Jan. 9 board meeting.

CommonLit would be used for all secondary schools and would cost \$87,750, from the education fund if approved, for three years of textbooks and online licenses.

StudySync has been in use since at least 2015, but data on usage of the resource suggests it should not be renewed, the proposal stated. A free version of CommonLit is currently being used by several teachers who have found the resource helpful.

"CommonLit was identified as a resource that secondary teachers would like to use as the literature resource in the curriculum when several vendors presented their programs to a group of teachers who worked at updating the curriculum," the proposal states. "CommonLit is

a not-for-profit digital library of free, high quality literature in English and Spanish for students and staff to access."

The proposal added: "CommonLit School Essentials PRO is a package of tools that extends the free, high-quality library of CommonLit. The resource provides teacher access to an assessment series that includes three benchmark assessments that are administered on CommonLit.org and will assess students' reading comprehension. It also includes an administrator digital dashboard that allows administrators to track school-wide CommonLit usage and student performance. Teachers and administrators will have access to over 40 training modules in CommonLit's Professional Development Pack."

Professional development will be provided for implementation in this coming fall.

Measures to be used in evaluating CommonLit will be usage, teacher feedback and assessments.

- Examiner of Bartlett -

Vote planned for various District U-46 expenses

Jan. 18, 2023 By Seth Hancock

The Board of Education in School District U-46 is prepared to vote on \$3.3 million in expenditure items at its upcoming meeting on Monday, Jan. 23.

The items, presented on Jan. 9, included various fire alarm replacement projects, all to be paid for via the operations and maintenance fund.

Included is \$820,000 with Broadway Electric, Inc. for fire alarm replacement at Bartlett's Prairieview (\$440,000) and Elgin's Lords Park (\$380,000) elementary schools, \$557,016 with Low Voltage Solutions for replacements at Streamwood's Ridge Circle (\$308,000) and Elgin's Ronald D. O'Neal (\$267,016) elementary schools and \$298,960 with iWire Technologies, LLC for replacement at the Illinois Park Center for Early Learning in Elgin.

The proposals state life expectancy of the systems are 10 years while the current ones were installed between 1992 and 1999 at the schools receiving replacements.

"The fire alarm system is a crucial health, life, and safety system and it is essential that this critical building system operates without disruption," the proposals state.

The district will also seek \$255,000 (operations and maintenance fund) with Berglund Construction Company for another project at Illinois Park, a foundation waterproofing and regrading project.

Other operations and maintenance fund projects being sought include \$722,000 with Bear Construction Company for bathroom renovations at Elgin's Channing Elementary School and Kimball Middle School, \$298,000 with F.E. Moran, Inc. for cooling tower replacement at the Educational Services Center and \$98,531 with Commercial Kitchen Equipment and Supplies USA for a cooler/freezer replacement at Elgin's Abbott Middle School.

Costing \$120,750 from the education fund, the district is seeking a three year renewal with Panorama Education to conduct an "Equity and Inclusion survey" on students.

Two additional proposals would use federal tax dollars, \$94,356 with Action Fence Contractors, Inc. and \$57,222 with Alphaprime Communications.

An Action Fence contract, to be paid for by a Department of Justice's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) grant, will provide fencing at Bartlett High School, South Elgin's Clinton Elementary School and Hoffman Estates Timber Trails Elementary School.

"U-46 has been looking at fencing these areas over several years, and through the COPS grant, we can fund these projects as pricing has risen significantly due to the pandemic," the proposal states.

The Alphaprime proposal, to be paid through federal covid bailout funds, would purchase 204 two-way radios

- Examiner of Bartlett -

Four U-46 Board seats sought by six candidates

Jan. 18, 2023 By Seth Hancock

There will be at least two new members of the School District U-46 Board of Education as only two incumbents filed for reelection with four open seats, and six candidates in total filed.

Bartlett resident Sue Kerr, the board's president, filed on the first day of the filing period, Dec. 12, 2022 and Elgin resident Kate Thommes, the board's secretary pro-tem, filed on Dec. 14, 2022. Kerr was first elected in 2015 and reelected in 2019, while Thommes was elected in 2019.

Board members John Devereux and Eva Porter did not file for reelection with their terms expiring this year.

Four challengers filed including Bartlett resident Samreen Khan, Elgin resident Heather Manzella and Streamwood resident Maureen Morris who all filed on Dec. 19, 2022 and Bartlett resident Chanda Schwartz filed on Dec. 15, 2022.

"The Board of Education is responsible for determining the policies which guide the operation of School District U-46," the district's website states. "State law holds school boards responsible for policies in these areas: approval of courses of study and textbooks, adoption of an annual budget, construction, furnishing and maintenance of facilities, employment and evaluation of the superintendent."

The website adds: "Elected members serve four-year terms and are not paid for their services. To be eligible to serve, a school board member must meet the following requirements on the date of election: a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years old, a registered voter, a resident of the State of Illinois, and a resident of School District U-46 for at least one year immediately preceding the election. All seven U-46 Board members have completed the Open Meetings Act Training as required under the Illinois School Code, (5 ILS 120/1.06) and the Professional Development Leadership Training.

- Examiner of Bartlett -

Bond set for former coach arrested on child porn charges

Jan. 18, 2023

DuPage County State's Attorney Robert B. Berlin and West Chicago Chief of Police Colin Fleury announced late that bond had been set on Wednesday, Jan. 11, for a former Bartlett High School volleyball coach charged with disseminating and possessing child pornography. Gyula Finlon, 25, of the 200 block of N. President Street, Wheaton, appeared at a bond hearing where Judge Michael Reidy set bond at \$75,000 with 10 percent to apply. In all, Finlon has been charged with three counts of exhibit, reproduce, disseminate child pornography (Class 1 felony), one count of unauthorized video recording – victim under 18 (Class 2 felony) and three counts of possession of child pornography (Class 3 felony.

Through the ongoing efforts to combat child pornography, authorities with the West Chicago Police Department were made aware of the possible dissemination of child pornography. Following an investigation, it is alleged beginning in late 2020 through January of this year,

Finlon was in possession of child pornography and that he disseminated child pornography through social media.

"The allegation that Mr. Finlon was not only in possession of child pornography but also shared pornographic images with others is disturbing," said Berlin. "As I have said many times in the past, every image of child pornography represents yet another innocent victim of child pornography and my office will not hesitate to bring charges against anyone involved in such behavior. I want to emphasize that the allegations against Mr. Finlon are in no way connected to his work as a coach at Bartlett High School and the victim was not a student there. Throughout this investigation, authorities at Bartlett High School have been extremely cooperative and for that I thank them. I also thank the West Chicago Police Department as well as Assistant State's Attorney Grace Barsanti for their work not only on this case but also for their ongoing efforts to protect our children from child pornographers."

"The West Chicago Police Department takes allegations such as these extremely seriously and is committed to working with our law enforcement partners to bring those accused of such actions to justice," Fleury said. "I thank our detectives for their hard work on this intricate, delicate case as well as State's Attorney Bob Berlin's office for their legal guidance throughout the investigation."

Finlon's next court appearance is scheduled for Feb. 6, for arraignment. As the investigation is ongoing, anyone with pertinent information is asked to contact the West Chicago Police Department at 293-2222 or the local police department.

Members of the public are reminded that this complaint contains only charges and is not proof of the defendant's guilt. A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial in which it is the government's burden to prove his or her guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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Boys basketball: Top 20

Jan. 17, 2023

Boys basketball

Records through Jan. 17

Team Comment

1. Benet (19-1) Another test coming Saturday vs. Kenwood

- 2. Rolling Meadows (19-2) Can put away MSL E. Thurs. vs. Prospect
- 3. Libertyville (15-3) Buchert 20 pts, Boone 18 in key NSC win
- 4. Hinsdale Central (14-3) Red Devils 11-1 in last 12
- 5. WW South (18-2) Won own MLK tournament
- 6. Downers North (15-3) Hits Glenbard West with 26-0 run
- 7. Stevenson (16-3) Slow start costly vs. Libertyville
- 8. Geneva (17-3) Thirteen straight wins
- 9. Burlington Central (16-4) Lyons snaps 9-game win streak -- barely
- 10. Barrington (14-2) Only two losses came in overtime
- 11. Fremd (12-7) Second to Glenbrook North at Lakes MLK
- 12. Palatine (14-6) May 28 points in OT win over Barrington
- 3. Prospect (11-8) Don't be deceived by record
- 14. Glenbard West (11-7) Been a streaky stretch for Hilltoppers
- 15. Neugua Valley (16-5) Can't slow Scharnowski (32 pts) in MLK loss
- 16. Metea Valley (15-6) Went 3-1 at WW South MLK invite
- 17. Lake Park (11-7) 3rd in DuKane after 4-point Geneva loss
- 18. Grayslake Central (18-2) Lake Forest snaps 16-game win streak

20. Huntley (14-5) See No. 15 -- Scharnowski 31 pts, 15 boards

Others to watch: Naperville North 12-9, Hersey 13-9, West Aurora 14-8, Lake Zurich 11-7, Conant 10-8, Glenbard North 13-8, Marmion 12-7, Kaneland 17-4, South Elgin 11-8, Bartlett 13-6

- Daily Herald -

Fox girls basketball notes: Elgin City Classic going strong in 10th season

Jan. 18, 2022 By Craig Brueske



Baylei Johnson led Larkin into the championship game of the Elgin City Classic against rival Elgin. Both teams won their first three games of the 10th annual tournament. *Patrick Kunzer* | Staff Photographer

Celebrating its 10th anniversary this season, the Elgin City Classic highlights the best of high school girls basketball in what is called "The City In the Suburbs."

The 20-game event features 5 Elgin schools -- Elgin, Harvest Christian, Larkin, St. Edward, and Westminster Christian in a 2-week event held at rotating gyms in Elgin.

The idea originated more than a decade ago by Elgin girls basketball coach Dr. Nick Bumbales.

"It started in 2013," said Bumbales. "I like that the Elgin City Classic highlights each of the Elgin schools and the girls get to visit each facility and experience playing there. We have even played at "The Pit" at old Elgin High School in the past."

Larkin girls basketball coach Stephen Knapp credits Bumbales for his insightfulness in establishing the tournament and keeping the annual event on course.

"Doc (Bumbales) has done a great job organizing this tournament for years," said Knapp. "It creates an atmosphere within the girls (Elgin) high school programs to compete against each other year in and year out. It is good to see the growth of the programs and see the coaches every year."

There is an added benefit.

"It is a nice tournament that gives us many games to play before the state playoffs begin next month," said Knapp.

Through the first 3 games of the tournament, Elgin (7-15) and Larkin (10-10) own identical 3-0 records heading into Wednesday's 7 p.m. clash that will decide the 2023 Elgin City Classic champion.

Last Friday, Larkin edged Elgin 56-50 in Upstate Eight Conference action.

Larkin, which defeated Westminster Christian 42-10 last Saturday, began the tourney with a 54-32 victory over Harvest Christian on Jan. 9, as senior forward/center Baylei Johnson

scored a game-high 21 points and freshman guard Mia Carter had 10 points. Junior Gabrielle Ploche and freshman Sanaii McPherson added 7 points apiece.

Sophomore Daphne Brown led the Lions (6-10) with 13 points, 5 assists, 4 rebounds and 4 steals, while junior Katie McClure had 6 points.

Johnson scored 24 points and grabbed 17 rebounds in the Royals' 42-27 win over St. Edward on Jan. 11. The Green Wave (5-17) opened the tourney with a 44-12 victory over Westminster Christian on Jan. 7. St. Edward led 29-4 at halftime and 42-8 after 3 quarters.

Harvest Christian finished 2-2 in the Elgin City Classic following Saturday's 55-44 win over St. Edward. Brown led the Lions with 16 points, 5 rebounds and 5 assists, while Katie Dickman added 15 points and 8 boards.

Elgin began the tourney with a 55-36 win over Harvest Christian on Jan. 7, before clipping St. Edward, 42-33, on Jan. 9. The Maroons remained unbeaten in Elgin City Classic play with last week's 48-22 victory over Westminster Christian.

Elgin's leading scorers in the tournament include Alyssa Wysuph (14.3 ppg), Izzy Vidallo (7.3 ppg), Jocelyn Bardesi (6.0 ppg), Izzie Castro (5.7 ppg), and Kelly Taruc (3.3 ppg).

Mathitha Ratakonda, Trinity Evans and Aamiyah Dixon have also contributed for the Maroons.

Brown had 14 points, 7 rebounds and 3 assists for Harvest against Elgin.

St. Charles East celebrated the life of Lloyd Jones, the Saints' "Super Fan," during the Saints' Alumni Night game against Geneva on Jan. 10.

Former Saints standouts Katie Claussner and Ashley DiOrio spoke briefly before the game, talking about Jones, who passed away in February of 2021 at the age of 87. Jones was one of

the school's most loyal supporters who could be found sitting in his customary spot along the wall just to the right of the main entrance to the gym.

Claussner and DiOrio started a GoFundMe page that raised more than \$3,200 used to buy a customized stadium chair with Jones' name on it and "Forever A Saint" printed on the front cushion, as well as a plaque that hangs on the west gym wall above the chair. The remainder of the money was donated to Jones' sons, Kyle, and Glenn.

St. Charles East's athletic family also lost a genuine gem in Mike Harland, who passed away on Dec. 4 at the age of 74.

Harland, who worked as a dean's assistant at St. Charles East, also served as a freshman girls basketball assistant coach for the Saints. In addition, Mike served as an usher at Kane County Cougars games since 2006.

"Mike did everything here at St. Charles East," said Saints athletic director Mike Sommerfeld.

"He helped with parking at football games and was always lending a hand at our athletic events."

Prior to hosting its third annual MLK Showdown Monday, Batavia (12-10) split a pair of games at the New Year's Classic earlier this month in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Brooke Carlson scored 24 points with 4 assists, 3 rebounds and 3 steals in Batavia's 60-52 victory over Somerset Academy Silver Palms (Miami) on Jan. 6. Addie Prewitt chipped in with 12 points, 8 rebounds and 3 assists, while Kylee Gehrt added 7 points and 3 rebounds. Somerset (12-3) was ranked 21st in Florida, and 3rd in 3A.

The next day, the Bulldogs dropped a 68-52 decision to Westminster Academy (Fort Lauderdale), the 7th-ranked team in Florida and 2nd in 3A. Carlson led Batavia with 22 points, 3 assists and 3 steals.

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LOCAL SCOREBOARD

Jan. 18, 2022

MONDAY'S RESULTS

HIGH SCHOOLS

GIRLS BASKETBALL

BATAVIA MLK SHOWDOWN

Geneva 61, Glenbrook South 53

Neuqua Valley 56, Amundsen 27

St. Charles North 52, Lake Zurich 30

St. Charles North (17-4): Alyssa Hughes 23 points. Reagan Sipla 17.

South Elgin 39, Wheaton Warrenville South 38 (OT)

South Elgin (9-13): Chloe Kmiec 16 points.

Glenbard North 40, Kaneland 39

Kaneland (9-11): Kendra Brown 18 points.

Lake Park 46, Yorkville 39

Yorkville (13-9): Brooke Spychalski, Lainey Gussman 11 points.

Schaumburg 46, Hampshire 33

Hampshire (13-8): Lia Saunders 10 points.

Sycamore 51, Batavia 49

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

HIGH SCHOOLS

BOYS BASKETBALL

Barrington 65, Grant 55 (OT)

Brother Rice 61, Marmion 46

Christ the King 81, Yorkville Christian 68

Yorkville Christian (6-15): David Douglas Jr. 40 points.

Conant 47, Dundee-Crown 40

Elgin Academy 62, Rockford Christian Life 42

Hinckley-Big Rock 54, Pearl City 30

Hinckley-Big Rock (16-5): Martin Ledbetter 19 points, 9 rebounds. Ben Hintzsche 11 points, 4 assists.

Hinsdale Central 59, St. Charles North 41

Jacobs 47, St. Charles East 45

Lake Zurich 55, Palatine 50

Lake Zurich (11-7): Anton Strelnikov 14 points. Brendan Powers 13.

Larkin 58, Prairie Ridge 51

Libertyville 62, Stevenson 53

Libertyville (15-3, 4-1 North Suburban): Will Buchert 20 points. Aidyn Boone 18.

Stevenson (13-3, 5-1): David Sulnius, Aidan Bardic, Jack Dabbs, Christian Uremovich 11 points.

Oswego 53, Naperville North 51

Naperville North (11-9): Luke Williams 26 points.

Providence 48, Sandwich 27

West Aurora 74, Glenbard East 61

Vernon Hills 51, Cary-Grove 48

Vernon Hills (9-11): Milan Raval 21 points.

Yorkville 70, Kaneland 67

Yorkville (17-3, 7-2 Interstate Eight): LeBaron Lee 32 points.

Kaneland (17-4, 8-1): Johnny Spallasso 21 points. Gevon Grant 14. Troyer Carlson 13.

Geneseo 49, Mundelein 22

ROUND LAKE MLK TOURNAMENT

Round Lake 65, Lake Forest Academy 60

Round Lake (12-10): Lilli Burton, Aniyah Moody 22 points. Judy Cerroblanco 10.

Round Lake 47, Woodstock 32

Round Lake: Moody 17 points. Cerroblanco 16. Burton 11.

Lake Forest Academy 48, Waukegan 44

BOYS BOWLING SECTIONALS

KANELAND

Advancing local team: 4. South Elgin 5,894.

Top local individuals: 3. Andrew Rossini, South Elgin, 1,292; 7. Michael Rossini, South Elgin, 1,250.

Advancing local individuals: Nick Weaver, Streamwood, 1,213; Irhaan Iqbal, St. Charles North, 1,137; Dylan Bender, Dundee-Crown, 1,123; Joe Matuszak, Streamwood, 1,113.

WRESTLING

MELICHAR TOURNAMENT

Top local team: 6. Streamwood 77.

Local winner: 182: Max Dominguez, Streamwood.

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

HIGH SCHOOLS

BOYS BASKETBALL

Aurora Christian 67, Chicago Christian 43

Aurora Christian (14-5, 2-2 Metro Suburban Blue): Cam Morel 23 points. Victor Nyong 13.

Benet 72, Joliet Catholic 44

Byron 56, Genoa-Kingston 49

Crystal Lake South 51, Hampshire 43

Deerfield 46, Vernon Hills 37

Deerfield (12-4, 4-1 Central Suburban North): Miles Cohan 12 points. Drew Rodgers, Quinn Schimanski 10.

East Aurora 62, West Chicago 35

Fenton 64, Streamwood 27

Geneva 61, Belvidere North 47

Harvest Christian 60, Mooseheart 29

Hinckley-Big Rock 69, Earlville 45

Hinckley-Big Rock (15-5, 6-0 Little Ten): Martin Ledbetter 20 points, 15 rebounds. Ben Hintzsche 19 points, 6 rebounds.

Huntley 51, Dundee-Crown 50

Jacobs 64, Prairie Ridge 54

Kaneland 62, Sandwich 53

Kaneland (17-3, 8-0 Interstate Eight): Gevon Grant 21 points. Troyer Carlson 11. Brad Franck 10.

Larkin 67, Elgin 38

Maine West 59, Highland Park 58

Metea Valley 73, Naperville Central 49

Oswego 63, Plainfield South 47

Oswego East 72, Joliet West 59

Oswego East (17-4, 9-0 Southwest Prairie West): Mehki Lowery 18 points. Ryan Johnson 15. Bryce Shoto 12. Mason Blanco 10.

Ottawa 61, Plano 52

Plano (5-16, 1-7 Interstate Eight): Sam Sifuentes 13 points.

St. Edward 58, Westmont 34

Somonauk 69, Indian Creek 51

Somonauk (7-13, 4-2 Little Ten): Coleton Eade, Carson Bahrey 23 points.

Indian Creek (5-14, 1-5): Logan Schrader 12 points. Jeffrey Probst 10.

South Elgin 66, Bartlett 61

West Aurora 77, Joliet Central 45

West Aurora (13-7, 6-3 Southwest Prairie West): Terrence Smith 32 points.

Yorkville 56, Plainfield Central 39

Yorkville (16-3, 7-2 Southwest Prairie West): Jory Boley, Kaevian Johnson 12 points. LeBaron Lee, Jacob Homerding 10.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Deerfield 72, Vernon Hills 51

Deerfield (16-4, 7-0 Central Suburban North): Nikki Kerstein 21 points, 7 assists, 6 rebounds. Lexi Kerstein 18 points, 5 assists, 4 steals. Olivia Kerndt 14 points, 6 rebounds, 4 steals.

Vernon Hills (12-9, 5-2): Grace Koepke 26 points.

Geneva 70, Lake Park 51

Geneva (16-2, 7-0 DuKane): Leah Palmer 19 points.

Grayslake Central 61, Wheeling 48

Hampshire 46, Crystal Lake South 32

Hampshire (13-7, 7-1 Fox Valley): Whitney Thompson 14 points.

Huntley 55, Dundee-Crown 26

Larkin 56, Elgin 50

Elgin (7-14): Alyssa Wysuph 17 points. Izzie Castro 13. Izzy Vidallo 11.

Libertyville 40, Stevenson 38

Libertyville (17-3, 7-1 North Suburban): Emily Fisher GW basket as time expired.

Stevenson (15-7, 5-3): Emory Klatt 22 points.

Maine West 32, Highland Park 30

Naperville North 55, Waubonsie Valley 39

Prairie Ridge 38, Jacobs 28

Rockford Christian 55, Genoa-Kingston 48

West Aurora 51, Joliet Central 28

Compiled by Josh Krockey.

To read the full article, click <u>here</u>.

- Examiner of Streamwood -

Young Sabres boys hoops go 0-3 to begin new year

Jan. 18, 2023 By Seth Hancock

The Streamwood boys basketball team struggled to break through Fenton's pressure as the Sabres fell 64-27 to the Upstate Eight Conference leaders on Friday, Jan. 13 at Streamwood.

Facing a relentless press, Streamwood scored just nine points in the first half to fall behind 39-9 by halftime. The deficit grew to as large as 58-11 in the third quarter.

"I will definitely give Fenton credit, but I will also say that my guys just have to play harder," said Streamwood coach Quentin Ruff. "We've just got to play harder. We were prepping for the last two days, and we've just got to make sure that we use what we've been prepping."

Ruff added: "Fenton, they don't have crazy talent. They just play really hard, and that's why they're number one in the league. Well coached, good team and great work ethic."

Down 58-11, the Sabres did outscore Fenton 13-6 the rest of the game. Senior Dakota White (six points) hit back-to-back three-pointers and junior Francis Sagadraca (five points) hit a trey to end the third quarter, and Streamwood won the fourth 7-6 behind a five-point frame from sophomore Justin Ray.

Sophomore Joseph Calderon also had a three-pointer in the game.

Ruff did say playing a team of Fenton's caliber was a good learning experience for his young team. "We've just got to learn, we've got to get better and we have to play hard," Ruff said. "We'll make mistakes, but we've got to play hard."

Ruff added: "We've got to get these guys to compete for 32 straight minutes. When we are in these big deficits, we've got to keep playing hard and keep competing."

Streamwood was coming off UEC losses against Glenbard South and West Chicago, its first games in 2023. The Sabres fell 80-35 to Glenbard South on Friday, Jan. 6 at Streamwood and 63-55 at West Chicago on Tuesday, Jan. 10.

The Sabres are now 0-18 overall, 0-9 in the UEC.