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Words in motion

Larkin High School dancers bring 'How Would It Feel?' book to life

SUBMITTED BY LARKIN HIGH SCHOOL VPAA DANCE PROGRAM

The Visual and Performing Arts Academy dance program at Larkin High School will present its annual "Bring a Book to Life" performance this week.

Public performances are 7 p.m. Friday and 3 and 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23-24, at the school, 1475 Larkin Ave., Elgin. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors.

This year's book is "[How Would It Feel?](#)" by Mary Beth Goddard. This book takes families on a fantastic journey, inviting them to imagine a playful interaction within the natural world.

"How would it feel to ride on a breeze, aloft in a cloud ship ... and taller than trees?" Yet the final stanza of the book provides reassuring closure, returning children to the safety of home. Local illustrator Anna Mycek-Wodecki brought the words to life through her artistry.

This dance adaptation aims to inspire the imaginations of all ages.

The VPAA dance program is under the direction of Margaret Palmer and Kelli Myhre-Bahwell.

Five professional guest choreographers were hired to work with the Academy dancers:

- Hanna Bricton, Larkin graduate and dancer with Visceral Dance Company
- Natalie Tursi, independent dancer/teacher/choreographer
- Tyler Nowotnick, Nomi Dance Company
- Danielle Wilson, Chicago Dance Crash!
- Jason Myhre, professor at Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, and director of Jazz with Jason

For details or to reserve tickets, contact Margaret Palmer, margaretpalmer@u-46.org. Tickets can also be purchased at the door.

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Speak Out

Ward supporter: Hats off to Jeanette Ward, who is about the only brains we have in our U46 board. School and religion should not mix unless it is a religious school. Let's get more people on the board like her. God bless her.

Enough of U46 controversy: This U46 religious controversy is just ridiculous. Jesus is our Christian God. If you don't believe he is the son of God, you have a different God. Plain and simple. Let's end the discussion. Enough already.

Editor's note

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SPORTS

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Buzzer beater

BY PAUL JOHNSON

St. Charles North has suffered its share of close Upstate Eight River losses this season. That's why senior point guard Zach Ludwig wasn't scared down the stretch in Wednesday's regular-season finale against Streamwood.

The Sabres, looking to salvage at least one conference win before the postseason, led 69-63 with 38 seconds left. But Ludwig and the North Stars didn't flinch.

Ludwig hit the tying jumper with 17 seconds left. After Streamwood missed a shot, he grabbed the rebound and raced down the court, setting up Brendan Dal Degan for the winning layup as time expired, allowing St. Charles North to escape with a 73-71 win.

"I know we just kept playing, kept getting stops and finishing," Ludwig said. "We just believed that we were going to come back. We've been through a lot this year, so we just kept our composure and didn't panic."

Ludwig let his instincts take over in the final seconds for St. Charles North (16-10, 9-3).

Ludwig grabbed the rebound off a miss by Sabres forward Keenon Cole and turned his head up the court. He saw Tyler Nubin on one block and Dal Degan on the other. He opted to dish to Dal Degan, who scored.

"I was waiting to either get the ball or for him to finish over Keenon or drop it off to Nubin," Dal Degan said. "He just gave it to me. I saw Keenon coming over, so I knew I had to get it up high. I just put it up, and thankfully it went in."

St. Charles North was on the other end of heartbreak three times this season. North Stars coach Tom Poulin said that prepared them for this situation.

“We’ve been through the fire,” Poulin said. “We’ve learned our lessons. We’re ready to go.”

The ending soured what had been one of the best performances of the season from Streamwood (11-18, 0-12). After Kyle King tied it at 60-60 for North with 3:29 left, Streamwood produced an 8-1 spurt to take a 68-61 lead.

“I thought the boys played really well,” Streamwood coach Paul Kowalyszyn said. “They played with some heart and got after the boards. Keenon had a great game.

“It just didn’t work out the way we wanted it to, but this gives us a little confidence going forward. I’m not into moral victories, but this shows that we can hang.”

Nikola Sinik scored 21 points for Streamwood, including five 3-pointers. Ludwig led North with 21. Dal Degan added 15 points, and King contributed 13 points and 11 rebounds.

Cole was the star of the game for the Sabres. He scored a game-high 32 points to go with 16 rebounds

“Inside, outside, long, active, athletic — we really don’t have an answer for him,” Poulin said. “He’s as good as anybody in the conference, if you ask me. We tried to keep the ball out of his hands, but it just seemed like he was getting the ball where he wanted pretty easily, so we have to figure out why that happened.”