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**Vote for your favorite dance team at PADS of Elgin's  
'Stars Dance' benefit**

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The Fabulous Trio of Keeley Nauman, Sabrina Peterson and Tiffany Snyder



Tiffany and Larry Henderson



Don Konieczny and Cathy Trumbower



Holly and John Wiedmeyer



U-46's Ushma Shah, Suzanne Johnson, Melinda Leman, Mary Fergus, Ann Chan and Janet Greshock

Support PADS of Elgin at the annual "Winter Harvest for the Homeless" on Saturday, Feb. 1, at the Stonegate Banquet & Conference Centre, 2401 W. Higgins Road in Hoffman Estates.

The evening with the theme, "Stars Dance," will be 5:30 to 10 p.m. Tickets are \$100. Sponsorships are also available.

Enjoy food, games, silent and live auction items. There also will be live entertainment as local "stars" dance to raise funds for the nonprofit organization.

Cast \$1 votes for your favorite dance team at [www.padsfelgin.org/events](http://www.padsfelgin.org/events).

The teams are: Cathy Trumbower and Don Konieczny; U-46's Ushma Shah, Suzanne Johnson, Melinda Leman, Mary Fergus, Ann Chan and Janet Greshock; Tiffany and Larry Henderson; Keeley Nauman, Sabrina Peterson and Tiffany Snyder; Hollyce Mack and John Weldmeyer.

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Public Action to Deliver Shelter of Elgin provides safe shelter, support services, and advocacy to homeless individuals in northern Kane County and Hanover Township.

According to the 2019 annual report, PADS of Elgin served 27,196 meals to guests; provided 15,109 days and nights of shelter; and served 423 evening guests (256 men, 125 women and 42 children). Three hundred and ninety volunteers contributed more than 6,400 hours.

The exit shelter success rate is 73 percent, which is three times the national average. Ninety-two percent of those who exit retained their housing.

In December 2018, the new day shelter opened and the evening shelter is opening 365 nights a year. Case management services are available seven nights a week.

## **SPORTS**

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### **Glenbard South snaps Bartlett's 28-game home streak**

**By: Craig Brueske**

Despite being short-handed due to illnesses, Glenbard South's girls basketball team accomplished something Tuesday night that hasn't been done this season.

The Raiders (16-5, 9-3) handed Bartlett its first Upstate Eight Conference loss -- and first homecourt loss since 2017, scoring 43 second-half points on the way to a 59-58 victory.

Junior guard Lauren Cohen tallied 11 of her team-leading 20 points in the fourth quarter as the Raiders rebounded from Monday's nonconference loss to Marian Catholic.

"We really wanted this one," said Cohen, who added 4 steals and 4 assists while connecting on 11 of her 12 free-throw attempts. "We had a tough loss yesterday, so we really wanted to get back to it."

Bartlett (18-8, 11-1) led 22-16 at the half and opened a 29-21 advantage midway through the third quarter before the Raiders went on an 8-0 run to tie it at 29-29.

That run included 4 points from junior forward Alex Wilharm, who tallied 11 of her 16 points in the third quarter and finished with 9 rebounds.

"That was an impressive game for her," said Raiders coach Morgan Eufrazio. "She doesn't normally score a ton for us. She played a great game."

The Hawks answered with a 3-pointer from Lexie Sinclair and a 3-point play and 3-pointer from Mackenzie Hare to grab a 38-32 lead.

But the Raiders scored the final 7 points of the quarter, capped by Wilharm's 3-point play and basket inside, to take a 39-38 lead into the final period.

"We did a nice job handling their pressure," said Eufrasio. "We got a lot of open looks on that."

While Bartlett tied the game at 41-41 on a 3-pointer from junior Trinity Reyes (11 points, 3 steals) with 6:54 remaining, Glenbard South took the lead for good with Cohen's layup on its next possession.

A layup by Akayhla Dixon (16 points, 13 rebounds, 3 steals) and pair of free throws from Cohen extended the Raiders' lead to 47-41 with 5:31 left.

The Hawks trimmed the deficit to 1 on 2 separate occasions late -- the first at 49-48 with 3:30 left before Rocky LaPonte hit a 3-pointer on a second-chance look to make it 52-48 -- and the second at 56-55 on Hare's 3-pointer off an inbounds pass from Sinclair (18 points, 7 assists, 3 steals) with 45 seconds remaining.

"Bartlett is a good team -- they're very athletic," said Eufrasio. "We have opposite styles. They want to run and gun, and we want to go slow and take our time."

Cohen split a pair of free throws with 35 seconds left before LaPonte added 2 more free throws to make it 59-55 with 9 seconds left, rendering Hare's 3-pointer at the buzzer a moot point.

Cohen and LaPonte had the unenviable task of defending the Hawks' top 2 scorers -- Sinclair and Hare (20 points).

"They're asked to carry the bulk of our offensive load, too, but they're used to that," said Eufrasio. "They did a nice job tonight."

The loss snapped the Hawks' 28-game home winning streak dating back to a 51-40 loss to St. Charles East on Dec. 12 of 2017.

"We got killed on the boards," said Hawks coach Joe Eirich. "We just ran out of gas. We were a little slow in our rotations.

"We'll bounce back."

# Larkin knocks off UEC-leading Glenbard East

By: John Lemon



Glenbard East's Joe Hamilton, left, closes in on Larkin's Fernando Perez Jr. in varsity boys basketball Tuesday night in Elgin.



Glenbard East's Jack Rivas, right, and Larkin's Fernando Perez Jr. tip off to begin the game in varsity boys basketball Tuesday night in Elgin.



Glenbard East's LaDonis Rogers, left, and Daron Hall, right, sandwich Larkin's Jashon Johnson-Neals in varsity boys basketball Tuesday night in Elgin.



Larkin's Jashon Johnson-Neals heads to the hoop against Glenbard East in varsity boys basketball Tuesday night in Elgin.



Larkin's Damari Wheeler-Thomas gets revved up after nailing an outside shot against Glenbard East in varsity boys basketball Tuesday night in Elgin.



Glenbard East's Deon Cook heads to the hoop in varsity boys basketball Tuesday night in Elgin.



Glenbard East's Daron Hall sprints to the hoop in varsity boys basketball Tuesday night in Elgin.



Glenbard East's Daron Hall, left, battles Larkin's Jashon Johnson-Neals in varsity boys basketball Tuesday night in Elgin.



Glenbard East's Jack Rivas looks for an option in varsity boys basketball Tuesday night in Elgin.

Larkin needed a shot just like the one DJ Jones provided Tuesday night against Upstate Eight-leading Glenbard East.

The Royals junior guard buried a 3-pointer from the right corner with 13 seconds to go, giving Larkin a much-needed 57-55 win for its young team that starts three sophomores and brings more youth off the bench.

"I know a lot of people doubted us because of our record and stuff but when we come play as a team we play way better," Jones said. "We played as a team, put all the little stuff aside, and got the W."

Larkin (3-15, 3-6) started fast, taking a 22-17 lead after one quarter capped by a 3-pointer at the buzzer from Damari Wheeler-Thomas.

The Royals took their biggest lead midway through the second quarter at 33-23 before the Rams (11-6, 7-2) closed the first half with the final seven points.

LaDaylin Dew's conventional 3-point play midway through the third quarter put Glenbard East ahead, 39-37, and the Rams wouldn't trail again until Jones' shot in the final minute.

Every time the Rams extended their lead, the Royals responded including a putback basket by freshman Armani Ivy to end the third quarter down 46-45. A hesitation move by Wheeler-Thomas kept Larkin within 50-49 before the Rams scored five straight points, the final two on Daron Hall's putback, to take their biggest lead at 55-49 with 3:09 remaining.

Jones cut the deficit in half with a 3-pointer, and Jashon Johnson-Neals scored inside to bring the Royals within 55-54 with 1:10 left.

Hall misfired on a jumper for the Rams, the Royals grabbed the rebound and took timeout with 22 seconds left. They got the ball up top to Jashon Johnson-Neals who drove and kicked to Jones in the corner for the go-ahead 3.

"Everyone on the bench is confident in him shooting that shot," Royals coach Deryn Carter said. "It's a testament to the work he's put in."

"I don't get nervous," added Jones. "I just have the confidence because Carter gives me the confidence. I just have to trust in him."

The Rams still had a chance to win, and they ended up with a nearly identical play to Larkin's. Hall drove and passed to Joe Hamilton who fired a corner 3 that went just long.

Wheeler-Thomas pulled down the rebound as time expired and slammed the ball to the ground as the Larkin bench came on the court to join in the celebration.

"We've been talking to the guys that we are close, we are close," Carter said. "Eventually you just have to get it done. Proud of them. very proud of them. So young, so hungry. Hopefully this gets them going."



Larkin won despite getting outrebounded 39-23 including 26-10 in the first half. The Royals made up for it with their pressure defensively, forcing 16 turnovers and getting up in the Rams to contest almost every shot (20 for 49 shooting, 40.8%).

"We're starting to take pride in the defensive end and that's where it all starts," Carter said.

Johnson-Neals led Larkin in scoring with 14 points, Fernando Perez Jr. had 13 points and 8 rebounds, and Wheeler-Thomas added 12 points, 5 rebounds and 2 steals.

Hall paced the Rams with 15 points followed by Terrence Spencer with 9, Dew 8 and Deon Cook, Hamilton and Jack Rivas all with 7.

"You have to give Larkin all the credit in the world," Rams coach Scott Miller said. "They came out and punched us right away. Played with a lot more energy than we did. We were slow on our rotations and caused us to get in foul trouble early."

The Rams went from the outright UEC lead to a logjam with 2 conference losses along with Glenbard South, Streamwood and East Aurora.

"We told them that if you are going to win conference you have to go on the road and win games like this and take care of business and we didn't do it tonight," Miller said.