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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Blackhawk Friends, Fans, and Supporters,

Welcome back to another exciting winter season. The beginning of a new sports season is always challenging, but yet exciting. What does the new season bring? How will we do? How are the other schools we compete against going to do? These are just some of the things that coaches, players and fans think about as the new season approaches. On behalf of the West Aurora Sports Boosters, I would like to express our sincere thanks for all the support you, our fans and alumni and family have shown through the years. The Boosters organization has been supporting all the sports teams here at West since 1970.

The Sports Boosters look forward to your continued support in helping out the athletic programs here at the BIG WA. In addition to your generous financial support, we look forward to meeting new friends by volunteering your time and talents in a variety of ways. Maybe it's working concessions, or maybe selling programs or 50/50 tickets at our events is up your alley. Whatever you would like to do, we can find a spot for you. If your student athlete is participating in a sport, you will probably be here anyway, so you can volunteer in some small way while still being able to watch your son or daughter.

All of us who support the West Aurora Athletic programs appreciate your continued support and look forward to seeing you at all the events this winter season.

Go Blackhawks, Greg Jackman President, Blackhawk Sports Boosters



BOOSTERS GRANT WISHES

The West Aurora Blackhawk Sports Boosters is the official athletics fundraising organization of West Aurora High School. Since its inception, the Boosters have raised more than one million dollars toward support of athletic scholarships, equipment and supplies. This year, thanks to your contribution, the Boosters have proudly provided more than \$65,000 to support our coaches' 'Wish List' requests!





Save These Dates

November 14
Winter Sports Jamboree
5:15 PM in Auditorium



November 21



Winter Sports Picture day

November 24,25, 28

Girls WarHawk Tournament 7:15 PM (1:00 PM on Nov. 28)



December 6

Boys Basketball vs. East Aurora 6:00 PM

December 11

Wrestling vs. Neuqua Valley 6:30 PM



The strength of the team is each individual member. The strength of each member is the team."

– Phil Jackson

Check out the athletic website at http://ii.8to18.com/WestAurora/



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It's not too late...

You can still be a part of the West Aurora Sports Boosters! Visit our new website at www.BlackhawkSportsBoosters.org

To register online go to: Online Membership For a membership form, go to: Form

Yard signs are available for athletes!
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Give a shout-out to your favorite winter athlete or team! Order a personal ad for the winter sports brochure by Nov. 16th. To order online go to: Winter Personal Ad For an order form, go to: Form

Volunteers are needed for the Warhawk Girls Basketball tournament!

Full or partial shifts are needed!
You do not need to be a WABSB member to help!!

Dates and times are:

Monday November 24 from 5:00PM to approx. 7:45 PM Tuesday November 25 from 5:00PM to approx. 7:45PM Friday November 28 from 9:30AM to approx. 2:00PM

Please contact Greg Jackman at GJackman@aurora-il.org or Sharon Bulley at wkinghard4u@gmail.com if interested.

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West Aurora defeated East Aurora 62-14 in the 122nd meeting in the oldest football rivalry in Illinois.

This was the most points scored by either team in the history of this long-standing rivalry.

The Blackhawks got 141 yards rushing from junior running back Drake Spears, 118 from sophomore DaQuan Cross and 91 from senior T.J. Jackson contributing to a total of over 470 offensive yards for the game.

Chalk Talk

Time with Tony

Meet Anthony Rizzo, West's Boys' Cross Country Coach

By Tom Herget

Tony is in his second year as West's cross country coach and his ninth as English instructor.

Having graduated from Schaumburg High School in 1995, this Saxon was a key performer on state finalist teams in track and cross country. His striding skills got him onto the team at North Central College where he majored in English.

Later, Tony earned his Master's in Education from the University of Phoenix. He applied there hoping he could also be a roadrunner.

Being born in Des Plaines, it's only natural his avocation deals with running on the open plains.

He and wife Janette met in college. Janette is a math teacher in a Lisle middle school. The couple found a lovable track of land in Millbrook and have homesteaded there. They have two children who love the outdoors too.

Tony spent three years in the U.S. Marine Corps. His survival skills were enhanced by his tour of duty in Iraq.

Tony's first teaching job was at Neuqua Valley but the attractiveness of much-closer West lured him to the Blackhawks' campus. At West, Tony teaches five classes a day. His juniors and seniors learn writing skills. Another class focuses on science fiction. Tony has thus become an expert on zombies and is keen to cultivate the next Isaac Asimov, Robert Heinlein or Ray Bradbury.

Tony likes commuting on two wheels, as his Harley gets a good workout, weather permitting. His favorite foods? How can one go wrong with pizza or burritos?

Tony's typical cross country squad will have nearly 50 members. There are two teams, frosh/soph and varsity. On Mondays, they train at Lincoln Park. Wednesdays find them on south Randall Road, testing the incline near the country club. Fridays are a trek to Rosary and back. Tuesdays and Thursdays find them pounding pavement on various streets in the neighborhood. Saturdays are for meets. These contests comprise four flights, the frosh/soph varsity and boys/girls teams.

Tony and his assistants usually run with the team during practice. The coaches bring up the rear, encouraging stragglers and keeping an eye out for those who have taken a wrong turn. The coaches need to do a modest bit of recruiting, but the appeal of the program brings out plenty of runners. These athletes need to eat everything to replace the calories they burn off. They must stay hydrated too, but no high-sugar drinks.

Tony likes watching the kids grow and mature over the four years under his tenure. We hope Tony is a long-distance fixture at West.



2014 Girls' Volleyball

2014 was our first year back in the Upstate Eight conference!

We had four returning letter winners in Kristin Fick, Mallory Jones, Lucy Currie, and Kelly Townsend. We finished the season 10-26-1 and sixth in the Upstate Eight. We played some phenomenal games against Glenbard East, West Chicago, Bartlett and Genoa Kingston (just to name a few), and had some close losses against Naperville Central, and West Chicago. We also had success at our own West Aurora Varsity Tournament, finishing 1st in the Silver Medal round.

2014 Program Highlights:

Sophomore finished undefeated in the Upstate Eight!!

Freshmen Red finished 1st in our Freshmen Ouad Tournament!

Sophomores came in first at the Oswego East and Plainfield North tournaments!

Sophomores Gillian Jones and Natalie Jones were names to the Plainfield North Sophomore All-Tournament Team!

Freshmen Red finished 4th at the Dundee Crowne Sophomore Tournament!

With the success of our lower level teams in our program, we are VERY excited about the future of our program and what is to come! Stayed tuned for the 2015 season!

Not only did our teams do well, but we also had some of our individual players recognized:
Mallory Jones:

Upstate Eight All Conference Team Jordyn Poppen:

Upstate Eight Honorable Mention All-Conference Kayla Battle:

Upstate Eight Honorable Mention All-Conference

One event that our program participated in this season was a Volley 4 a Cure match. We again teamed up with East Aurora on October 14, 2014. This really was a wonderful night of charity and volleyball!

This has been a good season for our program! Looking forward to the 2015 season!

2014 Boys Golf

The West Aurora Boys Golf team finished the season with an overall record of 4-5. In the Upstate 8 Valley Division, we finished 3-4 and tied for 6th. We beat East Aurora, Waubonsie Valley, Bartlett, and Elgin Larkin. We also participated in nine 18 hole tournaments.



Our best finish was a 4th out of 20 teams at the Aurora Central Invite with a score of 328. Junior, Dean Lavery had the low scoring average for the season with an average of 42.12 and he scored in all 18 of the events the team played in. Senior, Adam Spooner was all-conference and also, a Sectional qualifier. Adam also scored in all 18 events that the team played in this season. Dean and Adam were chosen as the team's Co-MVPs. Juniors, Kerry Taylor and Sam Lawless also played in all 18 team events this season and scored in most of them.

The future looks bright for next season with seven Juniors and one sophomore returning as varsity letter winners. The Frosh/Soph team had an overall record of 4-8 with seven sophomores looking to compete at the varsity level next year. A huge thank you must be extended to Adam Spooner and Jacob Foote for being graduating seniors who were in the golf program for four years.



2014 Boys Soccer

Our return to the Upstate 8 brought us a successful season for all squads.

Varsity had a 13-8-1 overall record, with a 3rd place finish in Upstate 8 Valley Division.

Oscar Gaytan, Jose Gallegos, and Luis Gallegos were all conference players.

Oscar Gaytan and Jose Gallegos were named IHSSCA All Sectional players.

Our JV1 team had a 12-1-2 overall record, and finished the season taking 2nd place in Upstate 8 Valley Division.

Our JV2 team finished the year with a 4-2-2 overall record.

2014 Girls Cross Country

This season started out with the addition of many new girls to the sport along with several returners. It has been enjoyable. Miranda Gollwitzer (sr.) has qualified for sectionals for her four

(sr.) has qualified for sectionals for her fourth time.

The team finished 7th on the River side of the Upstate 8 Conference and the F/S team finished 4th. The annual West Aurora Stampede (17 girls' teams) moved locations to Stuart Sports complex and was a great success earning rave reviews for the course. Miranda finished 30th and Riley McCabe (fr.) finished 35th, both earning metals. They all worked hard – many earning repeated PR's (personal records) throughout the season.

There are high hopes for next season because the girls worked well running as a group. Thank you to all of the parents who volunteered to host the pasta parties and helped out at the Stampede.

To the seniors: Miranda, Vicky DelRio, Hannah Pealstrom, Amber Hatcher, Lauren Barry, Audrey Moore, Jessie Wayzer, and Celine Galarza thank you for all you have done.

2014 Girls Golf

Girls Golf Varsity finished the season with a record of 6-8 and 2-6 in the Upstate Eight Conference. We finished overall 5th in the UEC. Our Varsity was not

able to advance as a team or any individuals to Sectionals this year. We did have several personal goals achieved this year and the girls were able to take away 3rd place at the Galesburg Invitational in September.

Girls Golf J.V. finished with an overall record of 10-4 with a 4-3 record in the UEC. JV finished 3rd place overall in the UEC and Taylor Ullrich finished in the top 10 at the Conference Tournament.

Our team had the highest participation in team history with 22 girls competing this year.



2014 Girls Swimming and Diving

We had 40 girls this year try out for the swimming and diving team. This has been one of the largest groups we have had in quite sometime. The girls have been training extremely hard and with their hard work and dedication they have seen consistent time drops in the water. The divers have also seen their scores rise due to the hard work and dedication.

In its first Upstate Eight Conference Meet since return after nearly two decades in the DuPage Valley Conference, West Aurora finished eighth. Annika Ness finished 10th for the Blackhawks in the 100 butterfly.

Sectionals this year will be held at Metea Valley High School on Saturday November 15th starting at 1 pm. We are keeping our fingers crossed that we have a great taper and some great time drops.

2014 Boys Football



Here are our highlights:

- Beat Waubonsie Valley when they were undefeated and ranked #10 in the Chicagoland area.
- Finished the Season 4-5 and 4-1 in our last 5 games
- Best Conference Finish since 1995 and most conference wins since 1995
- Most points scored in a game 62 vs. East Aurora during week 8
- Most rushing yards in a game 486 vs. East Aurora during week 8
- All Conference athletes: Jovontte Bolden, Karl Fowler, Drake Spears, DaQuan Cross
- Congratulations to West Aurora Blackhawk football player Daryl Watkins! He has been chosen to be the Allstate Athlete of the Week for Week 7 and was recognized on the Comcast Sports Network program High School Lites on Friday October 17th. Daryl had an outstanding performance as our kicker and helped lead the Blackhawks to a win against Waubonsee Valley on October 10th. Way to go Daryl!!
- Football coach Nate Eimer was named Chicago Bears High School Coach of the Week. This honor was due in part to the Blackhawks' double-overtime win over previously unbeaten Waubonsie Valley in week 7 of the season. The Bears will make a \$1500 donation to the WAHS football program. Coach Eimer is invited to attend the Bears game on Sunday December 21 against the Detroit Lions and will join his fellow honorees for an on-field photo during the pre-game activities. Congrats Coach Eimer!
- West High football player DaQuan Cross is up for November athlete of the month in the Chicago Tribune. We need all of you to help him achieve this honor by voting online. Computers will be set up during all lunches, stop by and cast your VOTE for DaQuan. Voting will end Tuesday, Nov 11 and everyone can cast a vote every 12 hours.

http://www.chicagotribune.com/suburbs/naperville-lisle/athletes/chi-naperville-athlete-of-month-november-20141022-htmlstory.html



2014 Girls Tennis

Below are some highlights from the girls tennis season:



5th place in UEC conference tournament 5th place in Sectionals Liz Stefancic-3rd place finish at UEC conference tournament for 1st singles Carley Frauenhoff-3rd place finish at UEC conference tournament for 2nd singles Liz Stefancic-3rd place finish at the Lockport Invitational

Individual Winning Records:

Liz Stefancic-1st singles: record was 23-7 Carley Frauenhoff-2nd singles: record was 18-5



Congratulations to Boys Cross
Country runner Connor McCue
who will be competing in the State
Meet on Saturday November 8th!
GOOD LUCK CONNOR!!



In memory of Kathy Baumann, a memorial tree was placed outside the entrance to the Main Gym at West Aurora High School on Friday November 7th.

Kathy passed away suddenly and unexpectedly on August 5th of this year. She was a longtime Sports

Booster, Board Member of the Sports Boosters for many years, and was known to help wherever needed for concessions, ticket sales, and program sales as well as at our annual Golf Outing and other special events. She was a tireless volunteer for the Sports Boosters and would know what was needed long before she was asked to help.

A brief memorial service for Kathy will be held on Saturday November 15 at 4:00 PM at West High outside the Main Gym where the tree has been planted. We will gather afterward at Hounds Blue Moon for drinks and appetizers.

If you wish to join us, please contact Donna Olson at 630-244 -8221 or via e-mail at BlackhawkSportsBoosters@gmail.com

Donations to the Sports Boosters in memory of Kathy can be made at: https://sd129.revtrak.net/tek9.asp?
pg=products&specific=jogopqk8

More Dates to Remember:

<u>December 20</u>
Girls Bowling Blackhawk Invite at Home (Funway) 9:00 AM





January 22
Boys Swimming & Diving vs.
Bartlett at Home
(IMSA Pool) 5:00 PM

Support your favorite winter athlete!

For personal ads (due 11/16)

and yard signs go to:

<u>www.blackhawksportsboosters.org</u> /<u>fund-raising/</u>

Chalk Talk

Stanley Standards

Re-established by Bill, West's Boys' Tennis Coach

By Tom Herget

Does the name Bill Stanley ring a bell? Stan Musial? No. Stanley Tools? No. Stannis Baratheon? No again. How about Bill Stanley himself? Yes, that's it. Bill Stanley is back as West High's boys' tennis coach.

Bill's first tour as courtmaster at West was from 2002 to 2009. Bill headed to the sidelines to advance his career and pursue his Master's in School Counseling at NIU. Now with his degree under his belt, Bill is willing and able to resume the position of head tennis coach for the boys' program.

Speaking of resurfacing, West starts out the 2014 season with new tennis courts. This coincidentally commemorates the Blackhawks' return to the Upstate Eight conference. Bill is expecting fewer faults on this new asphalt.

Coach Stanley is an Oswego native. He played Little Seven tennis for the Panthers, then pursued his athletic interests at Waubonsee CC and then at SIU. The former Chief and Saluki returned to his native land and found his first job as business teacher at Neuqua Valley High School.

Bill's wife Shawna is a guidance counselor as well. She was at Neuqua too where the pair shared at one time the same classroom and office area. Well, as you might imagine, 24/7 might be a bit much so they arm wrestled to see who would seek new horizons. That is one of the reasons that Bill found himself at West in 2002, first as a business teacher, then counselor, specializing in surnames starting in C, D, E and F, and as tennis coach.

Bill and Shawna have three children, ages ten, eight and six. Bill enjoys following their athletic activities. Other interests include his lake cabin in Indiana, boating, water sports, golf, motorcycling and country music.

For vacation travel, the Stanleys like Kiawah Island and Myrtle Beach in South Carolina. Back home, you may see them dining at Chipotle and Maggiano's.

Bill has enjoyed applying his business education and education administration degrees (as well as his school counseling one) at West. We hope he continues to help and inspire Blackhawk students here for many years to come.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Monday November 10

Monday December 8

Monday January 12

Monday February 9

All meetings (unless otherwise noted) are held at 7:00 PM in WAHS Room B140 on the 2nd Monday of each month.

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Visit our online store for spiritwear at:

http:// www.8to18lockershop.com/ Booster-Store c44.htm

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

For concessions during basketball season.

Please contact Michelle at michellesak@hotmail.com

A small amount of your time can make a big difference for our athletes!!

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Over 1300 students participate in West Aurora Sports! That means parents, grandparents, siblings, friends, neighbors as well as the incredibly loyal and deep West Aurora Alumni, come out to support our teams!

Support our Winter <u>West Aurora Sports Teams</u> in a beautiful 4 - color 24+ page Official Souvenir Program. Programs feature all Winter Sport Team Photos, Coaches Information, Personal Player Ads and your Advertisement and Support!

Ads Starting at \$300









Ad Size	Winter Cost	Spring Cost	Both Winter & Spring (Save 25%)	
Full Page	\$900	\$900	\$1350	
½ Page	\$600	\$600	\$900	
½ Page	\$425	\$425	\$640	
1/8 Page	\$300	\$300	\$450	

Circle Ad Selection above

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Password: client

All ad files must be submitted by Nov 15, 2014

With the exception of the center spread and back cover, Kelmscott controls ad placement

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FALL 2014 NEWSLETTER

Chalk Talk with Coaches Bill Stanley and Anthony Rizzo

Wrap-up from East-West Football and all Fall Sports

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