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Glenbrook South Titan Booster Club Newsletter

A weekly round-up of Glenbrook South High School Athletics



Titans end season with win over Evanston

From the [Glenview Lantern](#)

After an 0-4 start to the season, head coach Dave Schoenwetter wanted his players to regroup and and only focus on the game that was next.

Since starting conference play, South went 3-1 with a chance to finish second in the Central Suburban League South division with one last game against Evanston on Friday, Oct. 25. A win wouldn't qualify the team for the postseason, but the Titans wanted to prove they could turn this season around.

South players did just that against the Wildkits, making strong defensive stops and scoring when it mattered most to end the season with a 21-20 win.

"It was a great way to cap our season," senior Chris Demirlika said. "I think we did a great job. In the first half we started kind of slow but in the second half we really picked it up. We had a lot of confidence into this game, we didn't show it at the beginning, but we did a great job in the second half."

The Titans offense started the game slow, which forced the defense to face the task of stopping Evanston's Quadre Nicholson, one of the state's best rushers. South limited damage on its first defensive series but Evanston drove down the field and scored on a Sean Cruz 7-yard touchdown pass with 4:16 left in the first quarter.

Evanston recovered a fumble on the Titans' next drive but couldn't score more points when the Wildkits missed a field goal attempt near the end of the first quarter.

South started to move the ball and score late in the second quarter when Aidan Prikos drove in for a 1-yard touchdown rush to tie the game with 4:34 left in the second quarter. Evanston responded right back, rushing down the field and scoring on a Nicholson 20-yard touchdown rush just before halftime.

Just like in many games this season, the offense woke up in the second half. The Titans scored on their first drive of the second half on a Michael Bauer pass to Chris Demirlika, who lateral passed the ball to Andrew Gall, who rushed down the sidelines 43 yards to tie the game at 14.

"We worked on it a good amount," Demirlika said. "At first I thought it might've been a joke play but we ran it well and we scored in a crucial moment for us."

Evanston responded again on its next possession when the Wildkits scored on a Nicholson 12-yard run, but the Titans blocked the extra point, making the game 20-14.

The Titans scored again on a 23-yard pass from Bauer to Demirlika to make it 21-20 late in the third quarter and the defense held its own for the rest of the game, capped by Demirlika's second interception of the night when he picked a pass with over a minute left in the game.

"I know Evanston wants to throw it deep, so I basically play receiver out on defense," the wide receiver said.

The run capped an impressive conference portion of the season. After starting the season 0-4, many had the Titans out of conference consideration. But the Titans dropped a close game against Maine South in Week 8 for the CSL South and with the Evanston win finished second in the division, something Schoenwetter couldn't have been done without senior leadership.

"I thought our kids did an amazing job of turning this season around," the head coach said. "I complimented our seniors this week. We created a concept that we asked them to buy in to of being 1-0 in the last five weeks and while it was a good idea, it wouldn't mean anything if they didn't buy into it. It was our seniors who got this turned around."

The Titans will look to grow from their conference experience and apply it to the offseason and the start of next season. South will have some key players returning next year, including Bauer who impressed with strong play all season long.

But the head coach hopes his team learned from the different lessons a season of two different halves presented, and he's excited for what's next for his program.

"I think it was huge," Schoenwetter said of the conference play. "I think the thing that was lacking earlier in the year was just that confidence in play and being able to respond to something that doesn't go well.

"Hopefully we take this into the offseason and we'll be more confident in the first few games."





Join the Titan Booster Club: 2019-20 Membership

Membership registration is NOW OPEN for the **Glenbrook South Titan Booster Club** for the 2019-20 school year.

There are two ways to join. [Click here](#) to register on our web site, or choose the Booster Club as one of the activities you can select and pay for during the PowerSchool registration process starting July 15.

There are three levels of membership, starting at \$50. Gold membership for \$200 includes an **exclusive Titan premium gift** you can't get anywhere else: a Navy and gold nylon 21" wide **duffel bag** with padded handle, detachable strap, and GBS logo (see pic below).

100% of your membership fee is used to provide funds for:

- A retractable screen system that divides the Fieldhouse space between the indoor track and the three courts to ensure a safe and productive practice environment. EVERY GBS STUDENT will benefit since the screen will also be used during PE classes.
- Coaches' wish lists for equipment their teams need for training and competition. (Approximately \$15,000 in equipment purchased in 2018 and \$350,000 given to GBS to construct the outdoor bathroom/concession facility that benefits all students as well as the community.)
- Scholarships for GBS summer camps, CSL leadership conferences, and two deserving college bound athletes.
- Three code of conduct breakfasts throughout the year.

Don't wait! Register now for the 2019-20 [**Titan Booster Club.**](#)





Girls Cross Country compete at regional

Girls Cross Country competed at Prospect High School for their regional meet and came in fourth place overall.

Kate Jortberg was the champion of the course and has notably been the champion of every course she has run on this season. She came in with a time of 17:36, which is a 5:52 average mile pace.

Other standout performances were Maggie Jortberg, Kiki Patton, Molly Durow, & Mia Rojas who all came in the top 30!

Great job girls and good luck at your sectional meet next weekend. Please come out and support the cross country Titans next weekend if you can at Busse Woods! The girls will be running at 10 AM and the boys will be running a 11:15. GO TITANS!"







Boys Cross Country compete at regional

Great day for the Boys Cross Country Team today as the Titans advanced onto Sectionals by placing 2nd in the Regional meet at Prospect.

Will Kelly lead the team once again placing 2nd overall with a time of 15:29. Brian Hildebrand (6th), Will Houser (8th), James Kurtzweil (12th) and Jayson Stamm (34th) rounded out the top 5 to lead the Titans to their fifth straight Sectional appearance!

Sectionals will be held at Busse Woods in Schaumburg. Race times are 10:00 for the girls and 11:15 for the boys. Come out and cheer on the runners!







Girls Volleyball

Congratulations to all the lower level volleyball teams who finished up their seasons this week/weekend.

JV did well beating Maine South on Monday and GBN on Wednesday. They finished the conference tournament Saturday afternoon in fourth place. The freshman A team also had their conference tournament and finished in second overall after avenging an earlier loss to GBN! Amazing job ladies!

The girls also had their program banquet on Thursday where many of the athletes were honored for their exceptional academic and athletic careers thus far in the volleyball program.

The varsity honored the whole team with a special recognition for our five seniors; **Megan Lee, Abby Mowinski, Captain Emma Alberg, Captain Kendall Smith** and **Captain Vanessa Kuliga**. Megan, Abby and Emma are still undecided on where they will attend college but Vanessa Kuliga has committed to play at Daemon University! Kendall Smith earned the booster award this season and will continue her career at Howard University next year.

The varsity will enter the state playoffs starting on Tuesday at home against Maine East at 5:30 p.m. The team would love it if you could come out and support the girls as a make their state run!

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Titans Helping Titans Winter Clothing Drive

Titans Helping Titans is now **accepting donations** for the THIRD annual Winter Clothing Drive to assist GBS students and their families during the upcoming winter months. The event will be held at GBS November 18-26. Donations will be accepted until November 26 and can be dropped off at the front desk. Students may also drop off donations in the Dean's Office during school hours.

We are asking for donations of new or gently used winter outerwear:

--Jackets

--Hats

--Boots

--Gloves

--Scarves

--Spiritwear

We are also collecting everyday items, such as:

--Sweaters

--Sweatshirts

All sizes and styles for children and adults are greatly appreciated and we thank you, in advance, for your support!!



Busy week for Titans Hockey

GBS hockey won two of three games during a busy week. The week started with an impressive 4-0 victory over Barrington. Entering the game, Barrington led the Scholastic Hockey League with 10 points with a 5-1 record. The teams battled through a scoreless first period but GBS took control in the second period when Nick Botvinnik scored a pair of goals. Will Papalas and Max Ibarra added goals in the third period while the Titans defense led by Ibarra, Jack Muir and Hunter Niemann locked down the Barrington forwards. Connor Wall turned away all 18 shots for the shutout.

The Titans returned to the ice on Friday for a rematch with Carmel Catholic. In a penalty filled contest, GBS prevailed with a 6-2 victory. The scoring started early as Jack Pryzbylo scored a power play goal three minutes into the match. The lead was extended to 2-0 before the end of the first period with a goal from Hunter Niemann. The second period was filled with a steady stream of players to the penalty box which led to a power play goal by Carmel to narrow the Titans lead to 2-1 before Jack Muir scored to regain the two-goal advantage. Carmel scored again before the end of the period to put pressure on the Titans entering the third period. An early power play for Carmel backfired as Daniel McKay and Nick Botvinnik each scored short-handed goals to help GBS take control of the game. Frank Addante added a goal to complete the scoring preserve the 6-2 victory with Connor Wall in net.

Looking for a perfect week, GBS took on Stevenson Saturday evening. The game was filled with penalties and turned into a defensive battle. Stevenson gained the lead midway through the second period and took a 2-0 lead into the third period. GBS tried to claw back into the game with a power play goal in the third period as Daniel McKay put in a rebound off a shot by Hunter Niemann. The Titans squandered several opportunities to even up the score but Stevenson prevailed 2-1.



Girls Tennis

This weekend, the girls tennis team wrapped up their season with a wonderful performance at the state tournament.

Overall, the team finished sixth, which is an excellent way to conclude the seasons! Top performers were Jenna Horne and Elle Stewart as they finished 7th/8th as a doubles team.

What a wonderful season it has been for the girls and what a strong way to finish!

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2019-20 Booster Club Membership

Encourage your friends to sign up for the Titan Booster Club for the 2019-2020 school year!

Membership supports Titan athletes and includes free entry to all home varsity football and basketball games.

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Items are available for pick up at the school front desk.

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Cross Country Alumni Update: Jack Whetstone

GBS alum, Jack Whetstone is having an outstanding year for Emory University (Atlanta, GA). Jack was recently named UAA Cross Country Athlete of the Week and most recently ran a personal best of 24:40 (8k) at the Pre-National Meet in Louisville this past weekend. Congratulations, Jack!

<https://www.emoryathletics.com/sports/mxc/2019-20/releases/20190923nrh1b9>

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