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**2018 HIGH SCHOOL
FOOTBALL AND
SOCCER GUIDE**





2018 FOOTBALL BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Live on WSPY FM and streaming on WSPYNews.com

Fri, Aug 24	Plano at Aurora Central Catholic	7:00pm
Fri, Aug 31	Geneva at Kaneland	7:15pm
Fri, Sept 7	McHenry at Yorkville	7:15pm
Fri, Sept 14	Joliet Central at Oswego East (h)	7:30pm
Sat, Sept 15	Oswego at Joliet West	1:00pm
Fri, Sept 21	DeKalb at Kaneland (h)	7:15pm
Fri, Sept 28	Coal City at Sandwich (h)	7:00pm
Tues-Thu, Oct. 2, 4 ..	Little 10 Soccer at Hinckley-Big Rock	TBD
Fri, Oct 5	Sandwich at Plano (h)	7:00pm
Sat, Oct 6	Kaneland at Yorkville (h)	(td) 10:00am
Fri, Oct 12	Joliet Central at Oswego (h)	7:00pm
Fri, Oct 19	Ottawa at Yorkville (sn)	7:00pm
Sat, Oct 20	Football Play-off Pairings Show	7:45 pm
Fri/Sat, Oct. 26-27 ...	IHSA First Round Playoffs	TBD
Fri/Sat, Nov. 2-3	IHSA Second Round Playoffs	TBD
Fri./Sat, Nov 9-10	IHSA Quarter-Finals	TBD
Fri./Sat, Nov 16-17 ...	IHSA Semi-Finals	TBD
Fri/Sat, Nov 23-24	IHSA State Finals	TBD

Broadcast schedule could change throughout the season.

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Goose bumps time again

by Jim 'Teck' Teckenbrock



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**Jim "Teck"
Teckenbrock**

Every year I get goose bumps when things get rolling with fall sports. An exciting time in my world and around the high school campuses in our area. I have been so fortunate to cover so many great student/athletes and teams over the years. Fall sports get it all started in late August.

Football games mostly Friday nights take center stage for sure, but all the fall sports bring a new beginning to each school. Football brings out big crowds, the bands are ready to go and add to the excitement and most schools now shoot off fireworks as part of their pregame fanfare.

The Oswego Panthers won two playoff football games last fall making it to the quarterfinals. Oswego East once again was a playoff team as was Kaneland. Aurora Christian made the playoffs after getting a necessary fifth win and will be in a new conference this year. Marmion had another strong season even though they were short on numbers. Aurora Central won 5 games to get playoff eligible but came up short on playoff points.

Sandwich, Yorkville and Plano look to improve and fight for playoff spots in 2018. Plano won three games with Sandwich and Yorkville both winning twice. All three teams have a chance to get at least five wins and with their tough schedules playoff points should not be a problem. I hope they can all return to the playoffs.

Kris Cassie takes over at Sandwich as their head football coach. Cassie has been part of the football program for several years and he has added Dusty Behringer to the coaching staff. Behringer had a very successful run as the head football coach in Sandwich during his tenure.

There will be some changes after this fall as the Interstate-8 conference will end as it is now and reform with several teams joining Sandwich and Plano to form a new I-8 Conference. The Northern Illinois Big 12 will dissolve as well with several of their teams joining the new I-8. The Upstate 8 and the Southwest Prairie will likely see changes as well.

Soccer will continue to be strong in our area for the boys this fall. The Little 10 is a hotbed of quality boys soccer teams in the smaller schools. Indian Creek will be joined by Paw Paw in all sports for 2018-19 school year. Earlville-Leland will continue to co-op in boy's soccer, but in some other sports they will field their own teams at each school.

Please join WSPY as we keep you up to date with our local teams throughout the school year. I have daily sports reports Monday-Saturday many times a day. Join me for play by play broadcasts all year from August-June. The Saturday morning sports show each week goes from 8:25 a.m. to 10 a.m. features visit with area coaches and more.

Let's have fun and please stop and say hi when I am at your school!

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YORKVILLE FOXES.....

Friday, Aug. 24 Kankakee 7:15 p.m.
 Saturday, Sept. 1 Centrailia 4:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 7 McHenry 7:15 p.m.
 Friday, Sept. 14 Morris 7:15 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 21 Sycamore 7:15 p.m.
 Friday, Sept. 28 Rochelle 7:15 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 5 Kaneland (hc) 7:15 p.m.
 Friday, Oct. 12 DeKalb 7:15 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 19 Ottawa Township (sn) 7:15 p.m.

by Jim 'Teck' Teckenbrock

The Yorkville Foxes had a tough year in 2017 going just 2-7 and their opponents in the two wins are not on their schedule for 2018. The Foxes beat Marian out of Chicago Heights, 49-0, in Week 2 last season and ended the year with a 28-7 win over LaSalle-Peru.

Four new teams are on the Foxes schedule this season as they will play Kankakee High School at home in Week 1 and travel to Centrailia for a Saturday game in Week 2. McHenry will come to Campbell Field in Week 3 and Yorkville will host Ottawa in Week 9.

The Foxes had two games last season that could have gone in the win column

with a couple of plays in each of those losses being the difference. Those two teams from last season Morris and Sycamore follow the McHenry game this year.

Like other teams in our area this will be the last year for the Northern Illinois Big 12 East conference and foes like Kaneland and DeKalb would have to be non-conference games if they remain on the Foxes schedule.

Head Coach Dan McGuire told me that the Foxes defense should be a strong part of their team this year led by players like Cale Reeder, Zach Katula, Jake Polowy and Phil LoChirco leading the way at DB and LB. Keenan Ness and Josh Slavin will anchor the defensive line.

The offense returns some key players

YORKVILLE FOXES

Mon., Aug. 20 Plainfield Central 4:30 p.m.
 Aug. 22-23, 25 Barbfest Tourn. DeKalb TBD
Mon., Aug. 27 Romeoville 4:30 p.m.
 Thurs., Aug. 30 Aurora West 4:30 p.m.
 Sat., Sept. 1 Minooka 10:00 a.m.
 Tues., Sept. 4 Morris 4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 6 DeKalb 4:30 p.m.
 Mon., Sept. 10 Joliet West 4:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 11 Sycamore 4:30 p.m.
 Mon., Sept. 17 Plainfield East 4:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 18 Kaneland 4:30 p.m.
 Thurs., Sept. 20 Rochelle 4:30 p.m.
 Mon., Sept. 24 IMSA 4:45 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 25 Geneseo 4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 27 Morris 4:30 p.m.
 Mon., Oct. 1 Plainfield South 4:30 p.m.
 Tues., Oct. 2 DeKalb 6:00 p.m.
 Thurs., Oct. 4 Sycamore 4:30 p.m.
 Thurs., Oct. 11 Kaneland 4:30 p.m.

Home games are in bold; (h) = homecoming; (sn) = senior night

with Brandon Lee returning as the Foxes fullback who is a powerful runner and blocker. Jacob Brooks returns at tailback and newcomers Toran Harris and Tre Thomas will see action at tailback as well.

Returning receivers give more strength to the offense as well with Nico Medrano, Nick Stemmet and Brock Grimaldi all back. Brady Fisher returns as tight end as well.

The offensive line has some key players returning as well with the likes of Phil Anzelc, Josh Schroeder and Robby Isaacs among the returnees. Ben Stemmet and Josh Beetham are battling it out for the quarterback slot and Coach McGuire said, "Both have the capability to be outstanding quarterbacks."

Good luck to the Foxes in 2018!

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SANDWICH INDIANS



Friday, Aug. 24	Ottawa	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 31	Harvard	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 7	Manteno	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 14	Wilmington	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 21	Streator	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 28	Coal City (hc)	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 5	Plano	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 12	Lisle	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 19	Reed-Custer (sn)	7:00 p.m.

by Jim 'Teck' Teckenbrock

The Sandwich Indians football team will have a new head coach this season, but he is certainly not a new coach in the Indians system. Kris Cassie and long time assistant football coach and educator in the Sandwich District is taking over as the head football coach.

Coach Cassie hit the ground running when he was named head coach and he will have a former Indians head football coach among his coaching ranks as Dusty Behringer returns to the football scene at Sandwich.

The 2017 Indians finished 2-7, but they certainly were in just about every game they played losing by just one point in both Weeks

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**Good Luck
Sandwich!**



SANDWICH INDIANS



Tues., Aug. 21	Somonauk	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 23	Reed-Custer	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Aug. 25	Streator Invite	9:00 a.m.
Tues., Aug. 28	Herscher	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 30	Peotone	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 4	Westmont	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 6	Wilmington	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 8	Crossroads Academy	11:00 a.m.
Mon., Sept. 10	Genoa-Kingston	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 13	Coal City	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 15	Ottawa	9:00 a.m.
Thurs., Sept. 20	Indian Creek	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 22	Serena	12:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 25	Manteno	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 27	Plano	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 29	Hinckley-Big Rock	11:00 a.m.
Tues., Oct. 2	Lisle (sn)	6:00 a.m.
Thurs., Oct. 4	Streator	4:30 p.m.

1 and 2. Lisle just got by Sandwich in Week 1, 27-26, at Benedictine University and always tough Richmond-Burton squeaked out a 7-6 win at Sandwich in Week 2 action.

Graduation did hit the Indians fairly hard as some key players from the 2017 squad graduated this past spring, but several key players do return. Among those returning players are Dylan Baumbach, Jimmy Roop, John Conrad, Mike Frieders, Devin Carrera, Jacob Meyer, Wyatt Murphy and Bailey Thurber.

Coach Cassie pointed out some key newcomers as well to the varsity squad as full-time players at the top high school level for 2018. He mentioned Nick Lidinsky, Cole Frieders, Jack Theurer and Jacob Mosher.

Sandwich opens the season at Ottawa who will be guided by a new head coach. The Pirates and Indians each will be hoping to get

a win for their first-year head coaches to set a tone for the rest of the regular season. August 24 certainly has a big circle around it on the calendars of both schools.

Coach Cassie point out some other key games on his schedule noting that Wilmington and Coal City are always tough tests to use as a measuring stick. And he pointed out of course the Plano/Sandwich rivalry. Coal City will be the Indians homecoming game this year and one-week later Sandwich travels to Plano for the Reapers homecoming contest.

The returning Indians players know how close they came last season to winning several games and are committed to changing those Ls to Ws in 2018. Coach Cassie and his coaching staff will be working hard to get the Indians 2018 ready for the season.

Good luck to the Indians in 2018!

SOMONAUK BOBCATS



Tues., Aug. 21	Sandwich	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Aug. 25	ACC Breakout Tourn	8:00 a.m.
Mon., Aug. 27	St. Edwards	4:30 p.m.
Wed., Aug. 29	Hiawatha	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 30	Rochelle	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 1	Herscher Tourn	9:00 a.m.
Wed., Sept. 5	Hinckley-Big Rock	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 8	IMSA	10:00 a.m.
Mon., Sept. 10	Newark	4:30 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 12	Serena	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 15	Earlville	7:00 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 19	Indian Creek	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 20	Princeton	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 22	Stillman Valley	10:00 a.m.
Tues., Sept. 25	Bryon	5:00 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 28	Depue	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 1-2, 4-5	Little 10 Tourn	TBD

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NEWARK NORSEMAN



Mon. Aug. 20	Plano	4:30 p.m.
Wed., Aug. 22	Streator	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Aug. 25	Serena Tourn	9:00 a.m.
Tues., Aug. 28	DePue	5:00 p.m.
Wed., Aug. 29	Serena	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 30	Morris	6:00 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 4	Princeton	4:30 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 5	Indian Creek	4:30 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 7	Ottawa	4:30 p.m.
Mon., Sept. 10	Somonauk	4:30 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 12	Hiawatha	4:30 p.m.
Mon., Sept. 17	Earlville-Leland	4:30 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 19	Hinckley-Big Rock	4:30 p.m.
Mon., Sept. 24	Lisle	6:00 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 26	Kewanee	4:30 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 28	Aurora Christian	4:30 p.m.

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PLANO REAPERS

Friday, Aug. 24.....	Aurora Central	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 31	Marengo.....	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 7	Streator	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 14	Manteno.....	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 21.....	Coal City.....	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 28.....	Peotone	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 5.....	Sandwich (h).....	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 12.....	Herscher.....	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 19.....	Wilmington (sn)	7:00 p.m.

by Jim 'Teck' Teckenbrock

Head Coach Brad Kunz and the Reapers look to get back to their winning ways in 2018. Plano had a tough 3-6 season in 2017. They did win their final two games as their offense got on track against Reed-Custer and Westmont. Plano beat Reed-Custer 51-7 and Westmont 34-8 in Weeks 8 and 9.

Coach Kunz and the Reapers are not used to seeing their season end so soon. Coach Kunz said "We return a good core group of guys who have been working hard together all summer. We are looking forward to a tough schedule that will be our last with the Interstate 8 conference as is. We open up with two new opponents and three of our first four games are at home."

Aurora Central Catholic and Marengo are the Reapers Weeks 1 and 2 opponents. Both of these teams are quality programs and should be a good early test for the Reapers. Plano plays several strong I-8 teams with Coal City, Herscher and Wilmington. The Sandwich Indians and Plano always are tough hard-fought games featuring one of the best rivalries in the state.

Plano returning starters on offense, Demetri Coker at RB, Torry Jackson at RB, WR Eli Gonzales, Nick Woodhouse at TE, along with offensive lineman Dominic Esposito and Ernesto Roseles. Bryson Schmidt will be a full-time starter at QB after getting some time at QB last year.

Alec Sheehy and Cam Ward will be counted on to start on the offensive line.

PLANO REAPERS

Mon., Aug. 20	Newark.....	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Aug. 21	Earlville	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 23.....	Peotone	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Aug. 25.....	Somonauk Invite.....	8:00 a.m.
Mon., Aug. 27	Ottawa.....	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Aug. 28	Reed-Custer	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 30.....	Hinckley-Big Rock.....	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 4	Manteno.....	4:30 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 5.....	Aurora Christian	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 6	Coal City	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 11	Westmont.....	4:30 p.m.
Mon., Sept. 17	Rochelle.....	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 18	Crossroads Christian.....	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 20.....	Genoa-Kingston.....	4:30 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 21	Serena	7:00 p.m.
Mon., Sept. 24	Mendota.....	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 25	Lisle	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 27.....	Sandwich	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 29	Indian Creek	10:00 a.m.
Mon. Oct. 1.....	Herscher	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Oct. 2.....	Streator (h).....	7:00 p.m.
Thurs., Oct. 4	Wilmington.....	4:30 p.m.

Returning defensive standouts include DL regulars from 2017 in Drew Chernick and Jaden Wynn. Eli Gonzales and Robert Luckey are returning DB's. Two safeties return as well with Uriel Rodriguez and Gabriel Rodriguez counted on heavily to make big plays on 'D' consistently. Connor Kensel is expected to be a key defensive standout at LB.

Eight of the Reapers opponents this year had winning records during the regular season in 2017. This presents one of the strongest schedules in Reapers history. Coach Kunz and his staff will have the Reapers ready to meet the challenges that lie ahead of them in 2018.

Good luck Reapers in 2018!!!

SERENA HUSKERS

Tues., Aug. 21	Coal City	4:30 p.m.	Wed., Sept. 12	Somonauk.....	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 23.....	Aurora Central.....	4:30 p.m.	Sat., Sept. 15.....	Aurora Christian	10:00 a.m.
Sat., Aug. 25.....	Serena Tourn.....	9:00 a.m.	Mon., Sept. 17	Indian Creek	4:30 p.m.
Mon., Aug. 27	IMSA.....	4:30 p.m.	Fri., Sept. 21.....	Plano (h)	7:00 p.m.
Wed., Aug. 29.....	Newark	4:30 p.m.	Mon., Sept. 24.....	Hinckley-Big Rock	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 1	Reed-Custer.....	10:00 a.m.	Wed., Sept. 26.....	Crossroads.....	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 4	Hiawatha	4:30 p.m.	Sat., Sept. 29	Ottawa	10:00 a.m.
Wed., Sept. 5	Earlville-Leland.....	4:30 p.m.	October 1-2, 4-5	Little 10 Tourn.....	TBD
Mon., Sept. 10	LaSalle-Peru	4:30 p.m.			

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HINCKLEY-BIG ROCK ROYALS

Aug. 24-25	Stillman Valley Tourn	TBD	Mon., Sept. 17	Hiawatha	4:30 p.m.
Mon., Aug. 27	Aurora Central.....	6:00 p.m.	Wed., Sept. 19.....	Newark.....	4:30 p.m.
Wed., Aug. 29.....	Earlville.....	4:30 p.m.	Thurs., Sept. 20.....	Byron.....	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 30.....	Plano	4:30 p.m.	Sat., Sept. 22	Rochelle.....	10:00 a.m.
Tues., Sept. 4	Westminster	4:30 p.m.	Mon., Sept. 24	Serena	4:30 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 5	Somonauk	4:30 p.m.	Tues., Sept. 25	Oregon.....	4:30 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 7	Dixon	6:00 p.m.	Sat., Sept. 29.....	Sandwich.....	12:30 p.m.
Mon., Sept. 10	Indian Creek.....	4:30 p.m.	Oct. 1-2, 4-5.....	Little 10 Tourn.....	TBD
Thurs., Sept. 13	Princeton.....	4:30 p.m.			

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OSWEGO PANTHERS.....

Friday, Aug. 24Plainfield Central7:00 p.m.
 Friday, Aug. 31Minooka 7:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 7Plainfield North7:00 p.m.
 Saturday, Sept. 15.....Joliet West 1:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 21Plainfield East.....7:00 p.m.
 Friday, Sept. 28.....Romeoville 7:00 p.m.
 Friday, Oct. 5Oswego East..... 7:00 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 12.....Joliet Central (sn, h).....7:00 p.m.
 Friday, Oct. 19Plainfield South..... 7:00 p.m.

by Jim 'Teck' Teckenbrock

I have had some great moments covering the Panthers over the years including of course their championship season in 2003. But over the years since then some great Panthers teams have graced Ken Pickerill Stadium.

The 2017 Panthers gave us some great moments at the *Pick* including their round one win over powerful Naperville North 28-14. Several key players from last years team did graduate, but the cupboard never seems to be bare at Oswego High School.

The Panthers won their round two game last year over Glenbard West in a thriller played at Glenbard East as the Panthers prevailed 24-20. Charles Coleman did not run for 336 yards against Glenbard West like he did against the Huskies in round one, but he did once again give the

Panthers a great performance in their win.

The season did end in their quarterfinal loss at Lincoln-Way East 31-0, but another great season for the Panthers and their Head Coach Brian Cooney. Coach Cooney and his staff will surely have the Panthers ready for another great run in the Southwest Prairie Conference.

The SPC is a great conference with several strong teams each season with five teams making the playoffs in 2017. Rival Oswego East, Minooka, Plainfield North and Joliet West all made the playoffs along with the Panthers.

Other returning players for Oswego expected to return are Jamal Fomby, John Luke Patterson, Markus Tillmon, Justin Bensinger, Keaton Brown, Cortlund Adams and Noah Parker. Parker is joined in the quarterback battle with transfer Blake Yore who has transferred in from Montini.

This year the Panthers have only four regular season home games beginning with the

OSWEGO PANTHERS.....

Sat., Aug. 25Naperville Central5:00 p.m.
Mon. Aug. 27Wheaton-Warrenville South4:30 p.m.
 Aug. 28, 30, Sept. 1.....Best of the West Invite.....TBD
 Tues., Sept. 4Minooka.....4:30 p.m.
 Wed., Sept. 5Batavia 7:00 a.m.
 Sept. 8, 10, 13, 15 Plainfield Classic TBD
 Tues., Sept. 18Joliet West.....6:00 p.m.
Sat., Sept., 22.....Plainfield North..... 10:00 a.m.
Tues., Sept. 25Plainfield East4:30 p.m.
 Thurs., Sept. 27Romeoville.....4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 29.....Oak Park-River Forest 10:00 a.m.
 Tues., Oct. 2Oswego East4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Oct. 4Joliet Central.....4:30 p.m.
 Sat., Oct. 6.....Geneva1:00 p.m.
 Tues., Oct. 9Plainfield South4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Oct. 11Plainfield Central.....4:30 p.m.

season opener on August 24 against Plainfield Central. Plainfield North and Plainfield East additionally come to town. The final home game is

the Panthers Homecoming game, October 12, against Joliet Central.

Good luck to the Panthers in 2018!

AURORA CENTRAL CHARGERS.....

Friday, Aug. 24Plano 7:00 p.m.
 Friday, Aug. 31Richmond-Burton 7:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 7Aurora Christian..... 7:00 p.m.
 Friday, Sept. 14.....Chicago Christian 7:15 p.m.
 Friday, Sept. 21.....Richmond-Burton 7:15 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 28IC Catholic Prep 7:00 p.m.
 Thursday, Oct. 4Wheaton Academy..... 7:15 p.m.
 Friday, Oct. 12.....Bishop Mac 7:15 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 19.....St. Francis 7:00 p.m.

AURORA CENTRAL CHARGERS.....

Mon., Aug. 20Marian Central5:00 p.m.
Tues., Aug. 21Rockford East.....5:00 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 23.....Serena.....4:30 p.m.
 Sat., Aug. 25Somnauk Tourn..... 8:30 a.m.
 Mon., Aug. 27Hinckley-Big Rock 6:00 p.m.
Tues., Aug. 28Lincoln-Way Central...4:30 p.m.
 Aug. 31-Sept. 1IMSA Tourn..... TBD
Thurs., Sept. 6.....St. Edward4:30 p.m.
 Sat., Sept. 8Marmion 11:30 a.m.
 Tues., Sept. 11IC Catholic Prep 6:15 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 15.....Montini10:00 a.m.
Tues., Sept. 18Elmwood Park.....4:30 p.m.
 Thurs., Sept. 20Aurora Christian 4:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 25Bishop Mac5:00 p.m.
 Thurs., Sept. 27Chicago Christian 4:30 p.m.
 Sat., Sept. 29IMSA 10:00 a.m.
Tues., Oct. 2.....Guerin Prep.....4:30 p.m.
 Wed., Oct. 3.....Romeoville..... TBD

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KANELAND **KNIGHTS**

Friday, Aug. 24	Hinsdale South	7:30 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 31	Geneva	7:15 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 7	Rich Central	7:15 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 14	Sterling	7:15 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 21	DeKalb	7:15 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 28	Sycamore	7:15 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 5	Yorkville	7:15 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 12	Morris	7:15 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 19	Rochelle Twp.	7:15 p.m.

by Jim 'Teck' Teckenbrock

The Kaneland Knights football team did not make the playoffs in 2016 as they finished 4-5 and that did not sit well with the players, coaches and fans in Kaneland territory. The Knights and playoff football are pretty synonymous.

In 2017 the Knights got off to a big win in Week 1 as they blasted Chicago Brooks 56-16, but then they had a couple tough games in Weeks 2 and 3. Geneva knocked off Kaneland

in a close one 28-21 in Week 2 and Rich Central put up 60 points in Week 3 sending the Knights to a 60-29 defeat.

Kaneland put up 35 points in their Week 4 match-up against rival Yorkville in a 35-3 win. DeKalb then defeated Kaneland in Week 5, 31-13, in Week 5 leaving the Knights record at 2-3 heading to a tough game against powerful Sycamore next.

Kaneland would play tough defense against Sycamore, a shut out 21-0, to even their record at 3-3 on the season. Touch games remained

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LELAND-EARLVILLE **RED RAIDERS**

Tues., Aug. 21	Plano	4:30 p.m.
Aug. 23-25	War on 34	TBD
Tues., Aug. 28	Rochelle	4:30 p.m.
Wed., Aug. 29	Hinckley-Big Rock	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 30	Oregon	4:30 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 5	Serena	4:30 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 7	Byron	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 8	Streator Challenge	TBD
Mon., Sept. 10	Hiawatha	4:30 p.m.

Wed., Sept. 12	Indian Creek	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 14	Somonauk	7:00 p.m.
Mon., Sept. 17	Newark	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 20	Mendota	4:30 p.m.
Sat. Sept. 22	Princeton	10:00 a.m.
Fri., Sept. 28	Stillman Valley	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 29	Winnebago	11:00 a.m.
Oct. 1-2, 4-5	Little 10 Tourn	TBD

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KANELAND **KNIGHTS**

Mon., Aug. 20	West Aurora	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Aug. 21	Hampshire	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 25	St. Charles	10:00 a.m.
Tues., Sept. 28	Batavia	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 7	Morris	4:30 p.m.
Sept. 7-8	Baraboo, Wis.	TBD
Tues., Sept. 11	DeKalb	6:00 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 13	Sycamore	4:30 p.m.
Sept. 14-15	Milton, Wis.	TBD
Tues., Sept. 18	Yorkville	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 20	Geneseo	6:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 25	Ottawa Twp.	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 29	East Aurora	11:00 a.m.
Tues., Oct. 2	Morris	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Oct. 4	DeKalb	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Oct. 9	Sycamore	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Oct. 11	Yorkville	4:30 p.m.

against Morris and Geneseo for Weeks 7 and 8. In a close one the Knights would beat Morris on the road 20-14. Then a big home win over Geneseo 28-7 gave the Knights a big win making them playoff eligible.

Kaneland put up 55 points against Ottawa to end the regular season on a high in a 55-12 victory. Chicago Lindblom was 8-1 during the regular season and the Knights had to travel to Chicago to for their playoff opener. The Knights would leave no doubt on anyone's mind who the best team on the field was that windy, cold Friday night as they blasted Lindblom 47-7.

Sterling would be the Knights round 2 opponent at Peterson Field. On that night the Knights ran into a powerful buzz saw at Sterling won 46-20. Even with that season ending loss you knew the Knights were back and look for them to be back in playoff contention again in 2018.

Their will be a new starting quarterback as

Jack Douglas graduated, but two guys are battling for this seasons starting job as junior Joe Smith, who started twice last season, and senior Connor Buyck who transferred back from Aurora Central Catholic are both talented football players.

Jonathan Alstott returns in the backfield and is a talented powerful runner and several quality receivers bolster the offense. Max Gagne, Chris Angelotti and Colton Doll are all excelled receivers. Jackson Clark and Drew Hahn return as well offensively and will anchor the offensive line.

Head Coach Pat Ryan and the Knights will take the field August 24 as they travel to Hinsdale South to open the 2018 campaign. Geneva and Rich Central will come to Peterson Field in Weeks 2 and 3. The regular season will wind up at home for Kaneland as well as Morris and Rochelle will be the Knights opponents in Weeks 8 and 9.

Good luck Knights in 2018!

INDIAN CREEK **TIMBERWOLVES**

Mon., Aug. 20	Streator	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 23	Westminster Christian	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Aug. 25	Serena Tourn.	TBD
Mon., Aug. 27	Aurora Christian	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Aug. 28	Harvest Christian	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 1	Morris	10:00 a.m.
Wed., Sept. 5	Newark	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 8	Winnebago	10:00 a.m.
Mon., Sept. 10	Hinckley-Big Rock	4:30 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 12	Earlville	4:30 p.m.

Sat., Sept. 15	Oregon	10:00 a.m.
Mon., Sept. 17	Serena	4:30 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 19	Somonauk	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 20	Sandwich	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 22	IMSA (h)	Noon
Mon., Sept. 24	Hiawatha	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 27	North Boone	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 29	Plano	10:00 a.m.
Oct. 1-2, 4-5	Little 10 Tourn.	TBD

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OSWEGO EAST WOLVES

Friday, Aug. 24	Plainfield East	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 31	Joliet West	6:30 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 7	Romeoville	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 14	Joliet Central (h)	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 21	Plainfield South	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 28	Plainfield North	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 5	Oswego	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 12	Plainfield Central (sn)	7:00 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 19	Minooka	7:00 p.m.

by Jim 'Teck' Teckenbrock

When Head Football Coach Tyson LeBlanc first came to Oswego East High School he told me his job was to turn Oswego East into a football into a winning program that expects to make the playoffs each and every year. Well they are certainly that! In the last three seasons they have went 6-4, 9-2 and 7-3, awfully good!

In 2017 the Wolves had big regular season wins over Joliet West and Plainfield North who were playoff teams. They defeated two 4-5 teams in Plainfield South and Plainfield Central. The 7-6 thriller over Plainfield North who went 8-3 on the year was a big one for sure.

The Wolves played a very tough game against rival Oswego in a 13-0 loss as the Panthers were a 10-2 team in 2017. The Wolves did all this despite losing their top three quarterbacks to injuries during the season. Coach LeBlanc and his Wolves had a great season all in all.

The Wolves went 7-2 during the regular season and played a St. Charles East team that went 8-3 on the year very tough before falling 24-14 in their round one match-up. Very impressive that is for sure.

Two of the quarterbacks who suffered through injuries in 2017 are vying for the starting quarterback job this year in Brett Fern and Corey Provow. Fern is a senior and Provow is a junior and each is working hard to become the starter as the 2018 season gets underway.

Several guys are battling for time as skill position players in 2017 including Jordan Williams, Justin Clark, Keion Battle, Nick

Boissiere and Ian Kroemer. Those are just a few of the guys battling for playing time for the Wolves and Coach LeBlanc.

Since the Southwest Prairie Conference went to 10 teams all of your games are conference games and each week you play a quality opponent. The Wolves will have five home games this season with a Homecoming game September 14 against Joliet Central.

Another big home game is against down the road rival Oswego October 5. Always a big night and get their early that is for sure. The final game of the regular season will probably be a big one as well as the Wolves travel to always tough Minooka.

Good luck to the Wolves in 2018!

OSWEGO EAST WOLVES

Tues., Aug. 21	Hinsdale Central	5:00 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 23	Waubonsie Valley	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Aug. 25	Downers Grove South	noon
Wed., Aug. 29	Plainfield East	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 1	Batavia	2:00 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 6	Hinsdale South	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 8, 10, 13, 15 ..	Plainfield Classic	TBD
Tues. Sept. 18	Joliet Central	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 20	Romeoville	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 22	East Aurora	11:00 a.m.
Tues., Sept. 25	Plainfield South	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 27	Plainfield North	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 29	Metee Valley	11:00 a.m.
Tue., Oct. 2	Oswego	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Oct. 4	Plainfield Central	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 6	Providence Catholic ..	11:00 a.m.
Tues., Oct. 9	Minooka	4:30 p.m.

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MARMION CADETS

Friday, Aug. 17	Red and Blue Team Intro	6:00 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 25	De Paul Prep Academy	Noon
Friday, Aug. 31	DuSable Leadership Academy	7:30 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 7	Montini	7:30 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 14	St. Laurence	7:30 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 21	Mount Carmel (h)	7:30 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 28	De La Salle Institute	7:30 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 5	Brother Rice	7:30 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 12	Fenwick	7:30 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 19	St. Joseph	7:30 p.m.

by Jim 'Teck' Teckenbrock

The Cadets from Marmion Academy play a very tough schedule and if you qualify for the playoffs you certainly earn it. Indeed they did that in 2016 and 2017, winning six games in each season. Last year the Cadets finished 6-6 with an IHSA playoff win and a loss. Marmion did get an extra game as well as they qualified for a Catholic League playoff game.

Certainly, a highlight last season was a thrilling victory over Montini 28-27. That win was part of a season that saw the Cadets win five straight to open the season. After that Marmion would lose four straight before an opening round 34-7 win over an 8-1 Shepard team.

Varsity numbers have been an issue for the Cadets the last couple of seasons and that will be the case again this season with just 32 true varsity players making up the 2018 roster. Head Coach Dan Thorpe did point out that they have

a huge freshman class this year with 35 first year players out for the team.

There were several players lost to graduation from last year's playoff team, but there are some solid returning players that help makeup this year's squad. Quite a few players return as two-way starters including John Roche, Blake Kramer, Peter Ferraro, Miles Childers and Luke Reifsynder.

Declan McDonald will get the nod as the starting quarterback and Coach Thorpe said McDonald is an excellent thrower and reader of defense. Reifsynder will be the starting FB, with Major Hass and Patrick Daum both starting at RB. Nate Johnson will start at TE and DE as well.

Coach Thorpe said "MA hopes to be 5-4 and make the playoffs, but our schedule will be very difficult." Don't ever count the Cadets out as they have produced winners on the field and in the classroom consistently over the years under Coach Thorpe and his staff.

Good luck to the Cadets in 2018!

MARMION CADETS

Fri., Aug. 17	Red and Blue Intro	6:00 p.m.
Mon. Aug. 20	West Chicago	6:30 p.m.
Tues., Aug. 21	Plainfield East	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 23	East Aurora	6:00 p.m.
Aug. 27-28, 30, Sept. 1 ..	Barrington Tourn	TBD
Tues., Sept. 4	St. Rita	5:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 6	Providence	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 8	Aurora Central	noon
Tues., Sept. 11	Brother Rice	5:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 13	Loyola Academy	5:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 18	St. Ignatius	6:00 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 20	Mount Carmel	5:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 22	Huntley	noon
Tues., Sept. 25	St. Laurence	5:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 27	St. Joseph	5:30 p.m.
Tues., Oct. 2	Fenwick	5:30 p.m.
Thurs., Oct. 4	Wheaton Academy	6:00 p.m.

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