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### Glenbrook South Titan Booster Club Newsletter

A weekly round-up of Glenbrook South High School Athletics

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## **Boys Basketball remains unbeaten, beats Niles West**

The Titans remains unbeaten as they rolled by Niles West 66-35. Dom Martinelli (19), Cooper Noard (13), and Stevon Boyd (11) led the way for the Titans.

Unfortunately, the Titans lost senior Joe Shapiro to injury. Joe was a starter and played a key role in the early season, leading the team with 18 points in a win last week over rival New Trier. We know he'll attack rehab and be back. The team will miss him.

On Saturday, the Titans beat St. Joe's College Prep from Sydney, Australia.

The Titans have a home non-conference game vs. Lake View (Chicago, IL) on Tuesday, December 17 @ 6 p.m.





## Wrestling rolling

The GBS wrestling team had a great weekend for all levels. On Friday, the varsity wrestling team beat New Trier 45-22

On Saturday, the varsity team took third out of 16 teams at the Prospect invitational. Leading the titans were Ryan Brown, Norbert Crecan, and George Papagiannopoulos placing 3rd at their weight classes. Tudor Usu and Matt Rubel took fourth place and Devonjae Hudson and Cam Mercer took fifth.

The Titans JV wrestling team won the 12 team Niles North Individual Tournament on Saturday. Sophomore Arnold Park, juniors Stefanos Lahanis, Eammon Wade and Johnny Trinidad were all champions in their weight classes. Trinidad was also named Most Outstanding Wrestler of the tournament.

The Freshmen team won the eight team Deerfield Individual Tournament on Saturday. Marcus Santos, Patrick Dowing, and Drew Duffy were all champions in their weight classes.

Next up for the Titans is a home dual meet against Evanston on Thursday night in the field house. On Friday, the varsity is hosting 20 schools for the 55th annual Russ Erb tournament on Friday and Saturday in the Titan Dome.

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### **GBS Hockey drops two**

Tuesday night in Vernon Hills, the Titans looked for a season sweep of Carmel Catholic. GBS failed to convert on an early power play despite pressure by Will Friedman, Gavin Miller and Jack Przybylo. Defensively, Max Ibarra and AJ Gnospelius helped withstand an aggressive start by Carmel before the host team scored midway through the first period. GBS responded when a long stretch pass by Jack Przybylo sprung Nick Botvinnik for a breakaway where he slid the puck below the goalie's pads. The tie was short-lived as Carmel scored seventeen seconds later on breakaway of their own following a puck at the Carmel blue line. The first period ended on a low point for the Titans when a penalty resulted in a power play goal by Carmel.

Another penalty in the second period put Carmel on the power play once again. Strong pressure by Daniel McKay pushed the puck out of the defensive zone ice where Theo Papalas picked up the loose puck, created separation between himself and the Carmel defense and deftly faked the goalie before depositing the puck in the net. Unfortunately, it was a short celebration as Carmel scored on the power play thirty seconds later.

The third period started with the Titans trailing 4-2. GBS hurt themselves with another penalty resulting in Carmel scoring a third successive power play goal. Although it didn't look good for the Titans, determined play by Friedman, Botvinnik, Papalas and Przybylo created two goals but it was not enough as Carmel held on for a 6-4 victory.

GBS returned to the ice on Friday night at Heartland Arena in Lincolnwood to take on defending state champions New Trier. Both teams played a strong, disciplined, scoreless first period. GBS fought off three power plays by New Trier before getting their own opportunity when two Trevians took penalties to give the Titans a five on three power play. Good puck movement put Jack Muir in perfect position to beat the New Trier goalie in a beautiful shot into the top right corner of the net. GBS maintained strong defense and took a 1-0 lead into the third period.

New Trier entered the third period with determination and scored twenty-six seconds into the period. The two teams continued to battle, creating scoring opportunities but neither able to score. Midway through the period, Nick Botvinnik received a pass which put him in the open for a breakaway. He was denied the scoring opportunity when the defender caught up to him and appeared to hook him to prevent a clean shot on goal. The play continued with a New Trier player picking up the puck and skating through GBS defenders from one end of the ice to the other and scoring the go-ahead goal.

New Trier added another goal late in the period for a 3-1 victory. Despite the loss to the top ranked team in the state, a very well played game by GBS and a phenomenal night in net by Connor Wall provides confidence heading into the last week prior to winter break.

The Titans get a rematch with GBN next Saturday at 4:20 at Northbrook Ice Center.

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### **Girls Gymnastics defeats Niles West, Maine South**

The varsity girls' gymnastics team had a good week defeating conference rivals Niles West 143.20 to 111.05 and Maine South 137.55 to 99.30. The team score against Niles West places the Titans comfortably among the top five teams in state.

Against Niles West, senior, Jenna Hartley won all four events and the all-around earning an average score of 9.35 leading the team in its stellar performance.

Against Niles west sophomore Thalia Skoulikaris won vault with a 9.3, senior Emily Wyngarden won bars with 8.8 and junior Elena Pauker won floor with a 9.0. Senior co-captain Jenna Hartley left the meet after sustaining a knee injury on the floor exercise event.



### **Boys Swimming & Diving defeats Stevenson, wins Spartan Classic**

The Boys Swimming and Diving Team continued to dominate this past weekend. The varsity beat powerful Stevenson on Friday night.

Double winners included Mike Hadjiivanov (50/100free) and Sami Moussally (200/500free) and contributing wins were Jackson Hogue (100 breast) and Nick Khatkovyy (100 fly).

Saturday saw a couple Team invite championships as the JV took the Warrior Sprint Classic with wins from Noah Walch, Matthew Noh, David Rugen and Andrew Crawford.

The Varsity traveled to Northbrook for the Spartan Sprint Classic. They started well with Nick Tarantino and Mitchell Mortenson going 1-2 in diving...and then the wheels came off with 2 DQ's and no wins in 7 straight events.

The Titans finished strong by winning 11 of the last 12 events and pulling away to win the invite. Great resiliency!

[Spartan Classic photo gallery](#)





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

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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 \$65,000 in equipment purchased in 2018 and 2019, as well as \$350,000 given to GBS in 2017 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.

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