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Windy City Bulls to honor late U46 admin

Jerseys will be auctioned to raise money for district's foundation

By: Rafael Guerrero



The Windy City Bulls will wear the name of the late U46 administrator Ron Raglin on their jerseys for their 2019-20 home opener Nov. 9. The jerseys will be auctioned to raise money for the U46 Educational Foundation, which will also receive a portion of the game's ticket sales.

Windy City Bulls basketball players will wear the name of late School District U46 Assistant Superintendent Ron Raglin on their jerseys next month during the team's home opener at the Sears Centre Arena in Hoffman Estates.

The jerseys will later be auctioned and the proceeds donated to the U46 Educational Foundation, part of the minor league organization's commitment to efforts benefiting students and schools, officials said.

The team will also be giving the foundation a portion of every ticket sold to the Nov. 9 game, when the Bulls take on the Wisconsin Herd.

Raglin's first name will be on a patch that sits below the front neckline of the players' uniforms. The jerseys will also say "Los Toros" instead of Bulls as part of the team's Hispanic Heritage Night.

Raglin, 58, the district's assistant superintendent of educational support programs and alignment, died Aug. 26 after suffering a heart attack a few days after undergoing surgery.

Raising money for initiatives aimed at students and schools is the team's way of honoring Raglin, who had a strong connection with Windy City Bulls, said Mallory Eichhorn, group sales manager for the Chicago Bulls NBA G League affiliate team. Raglin had worked with Eichhorn to set up the game and they discussed mentoring students and finding ways to improve equity, she said.

"He wanted kids, regardless of where they came from, to have the same opportunities as someone who was more well off," Eichhorn said.

The Windy City Bulls held a similar U46 Night last season, which Raglin coordinated, she said.

Eichhorn said one of her last conversations with Raglin was about having the U46 night be part of the home opener and ways to get the word out about the event earlier.

"At his services, (Raglin's) family asked that instead of flowers, donations be made to the U46 Educational Foundation, and so that was a good fit for the Windy City Bulls fundraiser as well," U46 spokeswoman Mary Fergus said.

The foundation raises money that pays for student scholarships, mini-grants for teachers, the operational costs of the district's planetarium and observatory, and other initiatives.

District officials were touched the team decided to honor Raglin at the game, Fergus said.

"Everybody knew him (with the Windy City Bulls) and loved him," she said. "He was that type of guy, he built friendships wherever he went. Nobody was a stranger to him."

Raglin was a big supporter of the Windy City Bulls and a season ticket holder since the franchise's inception in 2016, Eichhorn said.

"He cared about the Bulls, he was involved and very much cared on the basketball side," she said.

Raglin's love for basketball was well known among friends and family. At his memorial service at Elgin High School last month, U46 CEO Tony Sanders spoke of how Raglin's first visit to Elgin was not as an educator but as a member of his high school basketball team in 1977.

For information on purchasing tickets to the Nov. 9 game, go to www.u-46.org .

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Football Bartlett 17, South Elgin 14

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Bartlett senior Rivelli recovers muffed punt to secure victory over unbeaten South Elgin

By: Paul Johnson



Bartlett's Tyler Rivelli, right, uses a stiff-arm against South Elgin's Jacob Cooper during an Upstate Eight Conference game on Friday.



Bartlett quarterback Michael Priami (6) scrambles away from South Elgin's Vince Clinite.

Bartlett needed one more big play Friday night to fend off unbeaten rival South Elgin, and senior running back Tyler Rivelli was right there.

With the Hawks clinging to a 3-point lead late in the fourth quarter, Rivelli came up with a muffed punt by South Elgin to keep possession.

Although the Storm ended up with another possession, they couldn't get into Bartlett territory as the Hawks hung on for a 17-14 Upstate Eight Conference victory.

Rivelli recalled the fortunate break he received as South Elgin linebacker Vince Clinite nearly recovered the muffed punt.

“Right when (the returner) dropped the ball I tried to catch it, but it rolled off my feet into the air,” Rivelli said. “(Clinite) almost landed on it. It was between his legs. I punched it out and ended up with the ball.

“It was amazing. I’m so hyped up right now.”

Rivelli also helped the Hawks (7-1, 7-1) take the early lead against South Elgin (7-1, 7-1).

On Bartlett’s first two plays of the game, Rivelli had runs of 11 and 24 yards, setting up an 11-yard touchdown pass from Michael Priami to Matt Young.

South Elgin threw an interception on its next possession and Jordan Snyder answered with a 9-yard TD run.

Bartlett held a 14-0 lead with 10:56 left in the second quarter. South Elgin had allowed only 7 points all season entering the game.

Junior linebacker Alec Palella, who had two sacks for Bartlett, confirmed how much scoring early meant for the Hawks.

“It was huge, especially against a team that only had 7 points scored against them,” he said. “Coming out and scoring on the first drive can get in their head.”

The Hawks added a 25-yard field goal by Xander Salyers to take a 17-0 lead into halftime.

“That was our game plan from the start,” Rivelli said. “They haven’t faced physicality like us all year. All week, we were just talking about hitting them in the mouth, and it paid off.”

After what appeared to be a three-and-out on its first possession of the third quarter, South Elgin pulled off a fake punt to change the momentum.

At that point, the Storm had only gained 49 yards.

Ben Karpowicz hit Clinite for a 25-yard gain on the fake punt. Karpowicz capped the drive off with a 21-yard TD run. With 4:51 left in the fourth, Karpowicz added a 2-yard TD run to cut the lead to 17-14.

“We were in big trouble,” South Elgin coach Dragan Teonic said. “We had two first downs in the first half. They stormed us, no pun intended. They did a great job coming after us.

“They really did an awesome job schematically of confusing us in the first half. I think we got it sorted out, but it took us a half to get it tight. By then, we had spotted them 17 points. You can’t do that.”

The Hawks, meanwhile, head into next Friday’s regular-season finale against Streamwood with a chance to share the Upstate Eight title before a probable home playoff game.

“We worked so hard for this,” Palella said. “I’m really proud of my teammates and my coaches. We’re ready for the playoffs, baby.”

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Elgin squeaks by Larkin, keeps playoff hopes alive

By: Jerry Fitzpatrick



Elgin's Alex West holds the Town Jug after a win over Larkin at Memorial Field in Elgin Friday night.

Elgin won the Town Jug trophy by a few links of chain at Memorial Field Friday.

With 84 seconds to play and his team trailing by 6 points, Larkin sophomore quarterback Dontrell Maxie stretched out as far as he could while diving for the marker on a fourth-and-5 scramble from the Elgin 12-yard line.

The chains showed his all-out effort came up just a few links shy and the Maroons celebrated a 27-21 victory over the Royals.

It was the first win for Elgin (4-4, 4-4 Upstate Eight) over Larkin (1-7, 1-7) since 2016.

It was also the fourth straight victory for the Maroons since an 0-4 start. They will host East Aurora (4-4, 4-4) next week with a chance to make the playoffs for the first time since 2010.

"We were playing for more than just the Jug," senior receiver Xavier Bonds said. "We're trying to go to the playoffs so we just made it happen."

Bonds made it happen when Elgin needed a play. The game was tied 21-21 when the Maroons got the ball back on a punt with 5:41 remaining.

Junior quarterback Jeffery Lomax threw a bubble screen pass to Bonds on the first play and he did the rest. He slipped one tackle and outran the Larkin secondary for an 82-yard touchdown. Elgin led 27-21 after the extra point was backed up by a penalty and subsequently blocked.

"We just needed a play," said Bonds, whose only other catch of the game was a 41-yard touchdown. "Coach (Anthony Mason) called it. It wasn't supposed to be a big play but, you know, players make it happen. I just had to make it happen for my team so we could bring home the Jug."

Elgin jumped to a 7-0 first quarter lead on a reverse flea flicker pass from Lomax to Alex West on Elgin's first play from scrimmage.

"It's something coach came up with in that big brain of his and we just had to execute," said Lomax, who completed 13 of 18 attempts for 277 yards and 3 touchdowns.

Elgin led 14-0 when the Royals roared back with a pair of touchdowns. Maxie scored on a 4-yard sneak and later found sophomore Jamarion Stubbs behind the defense for a 53-yard scoring strike.

Bonds gave the Maroons a third-quarter lead with a 12-yard scoring run on 4th-and-3 to cap a 51-yard, 10-play drive.

Larkin answered later in the quarter when Maxie finished a 70-yard, 11-play march with a 12-yard run of his own. Neither team scored again until Bonds turned a short pass into the game-winner.

Maxie completed 17 of 33 attempts for 227 yards, Marc Narvaez rushed for 95 yards on 19 carries and the Royals won the turnover battle 1-0. It still wasn't enough.

"It was really a hard fought game by both teams," Larkin coach Matt Gehrig said. "I thought it was a nice job of strategy and game planning by both coaching staffs, which is what a rivalry game is supposed to be. I just really feel for our players who left it all on the field tonight because we have a bunch of guys who absolutely played their hearts out."

The Royals moved from their own 18-yard line to the Elgin 12 in 13 plays on the final drive but came up a few links of chain short.

"I thought we showed great resilience against tough opposition," Larkin tackle Adam Maloy said. "I thought we played great. We left it all out on the field and we were just that close to bringing it home."

Bartlett hands South Elgin 1st loss, ties for UEC lead

By: Craig Brueske



Bartlett's Tyler Rivelli (20) carries the ball against South Elgin's Shiking Marshall (19) at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



South Elgin's Shiking Marshall (19) returns a kickoff against Bartlett at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



South Elgin's Shiking Marshall (19) returns a kickoff against Bartlett at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett students cheer on their team against South Elgin at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett takes the field before kickoff against South Elgin at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



South Elgin's Cristopher Mejia-Gomez (14) carries the ball against Bartlett at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett's Mathew Young (81) catches a pass for a touchdown against South Elgin's Anthony Viscuso (4) at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett's Mathew Young (81) celebrates after scoring a touchdown against South Elgin at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



South Elgin's Corve King (11) carries the ball against Bartlett at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett's Jordan Snyder (21) carries the ball for a touchdown against South Elgin at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett's Jordan Snyder (21) carries the ball for a touchdown against South Elgin at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett's Jordan Snyder (21) celebrates after scoring a touchdown with Tyler Rivelli (20) against South Elgin Friday in Bartlett.



Bartlett's Mathew Young (81) runs after the catch against South Elgin's Shiking Marshall (19) at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett's Max Nordlund (37) and Nathan Tomaso (57) tackle South Elgin's Ben Karpowicz.



Bartlett's Max Nordlund (37) celebrates after intercepting a pass against South Elgin at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



South Elgin's Ben Karpowicz (2) throws a pass against Bartlett at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett's Brenden Gran (40) hits South Elgin's Ben Karpowicz (2) in the backfield on a pass play at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett's Michael Priami (11) carries the ball on a keeper against South Elgin at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett's Nicholas Bucaro (6) carries the ball against South Elgin at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett's Michael Priami (11) throws a pass against South Elgin at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett's Michael Priami (11) runs the ball on a keeper against South Elgin at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett's Michael Priami (11) stands in the pocket and throws a pass against South Elgin at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett's Michael Priami (11) stands in the pocket and throws a pass against South Elgin at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



South Elgin's Ben Karpowicz (2) carries the ball on a keeper against Bartlett at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett's Nicholas Mangoni (12) celebrates with Thomas Hubbard (74) after intercepting a pass against South Elgin at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019



Bartlett's Michael Priami (11) tosses the ball to Nicholas Bucaro (6) on a running play against South Elgin at Bartlett High School in Bartlett, IL on Friday, October 18, 2019

The "Rivalry Bell" is staying in Bartlett for another season.

A year ago, Bartlett's football team rallied for three 4th-quarter touchdowns, including the game-winner with 52 seconds remaining, to stun South Elgin, 30-25.

This time, the Hawks (7-1, 7-1) held off a valiant 2nd-half comeback attempt by the Storm (7-1, 7-1) during Friday night's 17-14 Upstate Eight Conference victory before a standing-room-only crowd in Bartlett.

"It's huge," said Hawks coach Matt Erlenbaugh. "It gives us an opportunity to become conference champions. Obviously, we've got to take care of business next week, too (against Streamwood).

"It also puts us in a better place for playoff seeding but overall this is what the kids play for. They play for this experience."

Coming into the game averaging 54 points while having given up just 7 points in as many contests, the Storm had the tables turned on them early on.

After South Elgin's opening offensive series resulted in a 3-and-out, the Hawks struck first -- and fast.

Quarterback Michael Priami (10 of 19, 73 yards) capped the 4-play, 59-yard drive with an 11-yard touchdown pass to senior receiver Mathew Young, giving the Hawks a 7-0 lead.

Junior linebacker Nicholas Mangoni helped halt South Elgin's next possession with an interception.

Eight plays later, the Hawks extended their lead to 14-0 when Jordan Snyder capped a 78-yard drive with his 9-yard TD run through the middle of the Storm defense.

"That's what we said we had to do to win -- we had to be the more physical team and we definitely were tonight," said Erlenbaugh.

On the final play of the first half, Xander Salyers booted a 25-yard field goal to give the Hawks a 17-0 lead at the intermission.

"We came out hard and hit them in the mouth," said Hawks junior linebacker Alec Palella, who led the spirited defensive effort alongside teammates Max Nordlund, Brenden Gran, Joseph Latrofa, Nathan Tomaso, Alexander Becque, Jakub Maniak, Liam Gallagher, Abel Serrato and Mangoni.

"Nobody had done that to them."

The Hawks held South Elgin to 3 first downs and 46 total yards of offense, including 7 rushing yards, in the first half.

"They stormed us -- no pun intended," said Storm coach Dragan Teonic. "They did a great job at just coming after us. They scored on their first two drives.

"They did an awesome job schematically of confusing us in the first half."

That changed in the second half.

South Elgin got on the board midway through the third quarter on a 21-yard TD run by sophomore quarterback Ben Karpowicz (12 of 24, 108 yards).

Karpowicz added another touchdown run -- a 2-yard keeper -- as the Storm narrowed the gap to 17-14 with 4:51 remaining.

South Elgin's defense forced a punt on Bartlett's next possession but the Hawks' Tyler Rivelli recovered a fumble on the return with 3:27 left.

The Storm had one last chance, moving from their own 19 to near midfield before Karpowicz's desperation heave fell incomplete as time expired.

"It was just heart," said Palella, who added back-to-back sacks in the second half.

"We were 4 to 1 in turnovers -- that's minus 3," said Teonic. "When you do that, you don't deserve to win."