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## FROM THE PUBLISHERS DESK...

Special thanks to go Jesse Goldberg-Strassler broadcaster and public relations director of Lansing Lugnuts Baseball Club of Midwest Baseball League for providing Chicago Sports Journal with pictures of the ball park and I appreciate it very much. Also, play-by-play broadcaster of Windy City Thunderbolts Baseball Club of Frontier Baseball League interview with Terry Bonadonna turned out to be awesome. We have fall and winter schedule of Barrington High School sports.

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# Barrington High School

## Boys Varsity Basketball

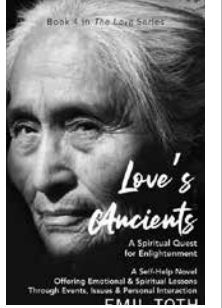
Date/Time	Opponent	Date/Time	Opponent
Mon, Nov 25 5:30 pm	Johnsburg Johnsburg, Waukegan, North Chicago, Buffalo Grove High School, Crystal Lake South High School Johnsburg Thanksgiving Tournament Away @ Johnsbury High School :	Sat, Jan 11 5:30 pm	Neuqua Valley High School Game Away @ Neuqua Valley High School :
Tue, Nov 26 7:00 pm	Johnsburg High School Game Away @ Johnsbury High School :	Tue, Jan 14 7:30 pm	John Hersey High School Conference Game Crossover Home :
Fri, Nov 29 10:00 am	Waukegan High School Game Away @ Johnsbury High School :	Fri, Jan 17 7:30 pm	Schaumburg High School Conference Game Divisional Home :
Sat, Nov 30 12:00 am	Tba Game Away @ Johnsbury High School :	Thu, Jan 23 7:00 pm	Hoffman Estates High School Conference Game Divisional Away @ Hoffman Estates High School :
Fri, Dec 6 7:30 pm	Hoffman Estates High School Conference Game Combo Home :	Sat, Jan 25 5:30 pm	Wauconda High School Game Home :
Tue, Dec 10 7:00 pm	Prospect High School Conference Game Crossover Away @ Prospect High School :	Tue, Jan 28 7:30 pm	James B Conant High School Conant High School Conference Game Game Home :
Fri, Dec 13 7:30 pm	Palatine High School Conference Game Combo Away @ Palatine High School :	Fri, Jan 31 7:30 pm	Palatine High School Conference Game Divisional Home :
Fri, Dec 20 6:00 pm	James B Conant High School Conant High School Conference Game Combo Away @ Conant High School :	Sat, Feb 1 5:30 pm	Huntley High School Game Home :
Sat, Dec 21 9:00 am	Jacobs Jacobs, Grant Community, Elk Grove High School, Cary-Grove, Bartlett, South Elgin, Geneva, Grayslake Central, Crystal Lake South High School, Waubensie Valley, Rockford Boylan, Naperville North, Prairie Ridge, Larkin, Johnsbury Game Away @ Jacobs High School :	Fri, Feb 7 7:30 pm	William Fremd High School Conference Game Divisional Away @ Fremd High School :
Mon, Dec 23 12:00 am	Jacobs Tournament Away @ Jacobs High School :	Sat, Feb 8 4:30 pm	Maine Township High School South Maine South Game Away @ Maine South High School :
Sat, Jan 4 3:30 pm	Hononegah High School Game Home :	Fri, Feb 14 7:30 pm	Schaumburg High School Conference Game Divisional Away @ Schaumburg High School :
Fri, Jan 10 6:00 pm	William Fremd High School Conference Game Combo Home :	Tue, Feb 18 7:00 pm	Elk Grove High School Conference Game Crossover Away @ Elk Grove High School :

## Girls Varsity Basketball

Date/Time	Opponent	Date/Time	Opponent
Wed, Nov 20 12:00 am	Buffalo Grove High School Tournament Away @ Buffalo Grove High School :	Sat, Jan 4 12:00 am	Mother McAuley, Mundelein, Normal University, O'Fallon Township, Oak Park & River Forest, Palatine, Plainfield South, Schaumburg, St. Charles East, St. Ignatius College Prep - IL, Stevenson, The Prairie, Thornton Fractional North, Trinity, Vernon Hills, Verona Area, Warren Township, Yorkville Shootout Away @ TBD :
Sat, Nov 23 12:00 am	Buffalo Grove High School Tournament Away @ Buffalo Grove High School :	Tue, Jan 7 7:30 pm	Schaumburg Conference Game Game Home :
Mon, Nov 25 12:00 am	Buffalo Grove High School Tournament Away @ Buffalo Grove High School :	Fri, Jan 10 7:30 pm	Fremd Conference Game Game Home :
Fri, Nov 29 12:00 am	Buffalo Grove High School Tournament Away @ Buffalo Grove High School :	Mon, Jan 13 7:30 pm	Carmel Catholic Game Home :
Sat, Nov 30 12:00 am	Buffalo Grove High School Tournament Away @ Buffalo Grove High School :	Fri, Jan 17 6:00 pm	Palatine Conference Game Game Home :
Tue, Dec 3 7:00 pm	Prospect High School Conference Game Game Away @ Prospect High School :	Sat, Jan 18 4:30 pm	Grant Community High School Game Home :
Wed, Dec 4 6:30 pm	Vernon Hills High School Game Away @ Vernon Hills High School :	Wed, Jan 22 7:30 pm	Hoffman Estates Conference Game Game Away @ Hoffman Estates High School :
Fri, Dec 6 6:00 pm	Hoffman Estates Conference Game Game Home :	Fri, Jan 24 7:30 pm	Schaumburg Conference Game Game Away @ Schaumburg High School :
Tue, Dec 10 7:30 pm	John Hersey High School Conference Game Game Home :	Sat, Jan 25 2:00 pm	Evanston Township High School Evanston Game Away @ Evanston Township High School :
Fri, Dec 13 6:00 pm	Palatine Conference Game Game Away @ Palatine High School :	Thu, Jan 30 7:30 pm	Fremd Conference Game Game Away @ Fremd High School :
Fri, Dec 20 7:30 pm	Conant High School Conference Game Game Away @ Conant High School :	Sat, Feb 1 4:30 pm	Lake Zurich Game Away @ Lake Zurich High School :
Thu, Dec 26 12:00 am	Dundee Crown Dundee Crown, Adlai E. Stevenson, Buffalo Grove High School, Fenwick, Hampshire, Hononegah, Huntley, Lake Forest, Lake Park, Maine South, Maine West, Naperville Central, New Trier, South Elgin, St. Charles North Game Away @ Dundee-Crown High School :	Tue, Feb 4 7:30 pm	Conant High School Conference Game Game Home :
Sat, Jan 4 12:00 am	New Trier New Trier, Alton, Buffalo Grove High School, Chicago (Whitney Young), Deerfield, Detroit Country Day, Elk Grove High School, Evanston, Fishers, Glenbard East, John Hersey High School, Highland Park, Joliet Central, Lyons Township, Maine South, Maine West, Metamora, Montini Catholic, Mother McAuley, Mundelein, Normal University, O'Fallon Township, Oak		

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Intrigued by the depth of love inherent in someone as young as Kaathi, some from the new races seek sanctuary with her to embrace love and alter their lives.

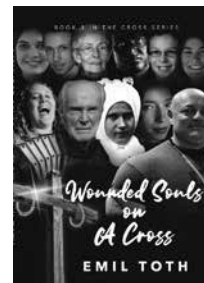
The meeting with Ancient Mother provides them the opportunity to discover hidden talents, while Ancient Father presents them with a glimpse into their future. For some, the future holds tragedy; for others a sense of purpose. The adventure continually provides Kaathi with the opportunity to demonstrate the power of love.

Love's Ancients is a courageous adventure about expanding consciousness and understanding. It shows how being centered in love can dissolve confrontations and overcome any obstacle.

If you enjoyed reading The Nightingale, The Celestine Prophecy, Sensible Shoes, The Shack and The Alchemist, you'll love reading The Love Series by Emil Toth.

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In book 3 of The Cross Series, a year after being shot on his cross admirers and people in need of help are still showing up on Paul Sentes' doorstep. He recalls an old woman who was not enthralled with him and his journey. She used a cane to walk up to Paul while he was on the cross and then used it to attack him.

An angry young man bitter at what life has dealt him paints his face and hands black and cloaks himself in black. He appears dramatically on the street, in front of Paul. Television reporters ask why he is there. He does not reveal his reason. The reporters sensationalize him and call him The Man in Black. The next day he confronts Paul in his home intent on killing the infidel.

A policeman who inadvertently killed an inmate while restraining him is made a sacrificial lamb by the department and they fire him. Suffering emotionally, he ends up at Paul's house in hope of giving his life meaning and direction.

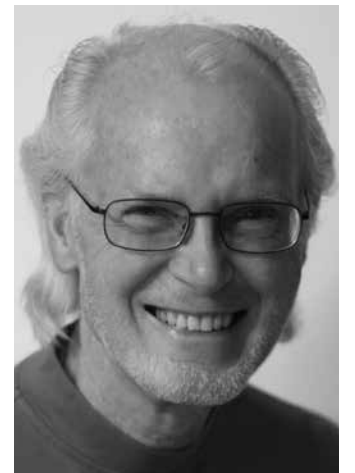
Maria, living in Italy, is the first person to copy Paul and build her own cross. She visits him after he has recovered and discusses why she built her cross.

Cassandra explodes into Paul's world arriving in a van with the words boldly painted on its side, Gypsy Woman. The van has replaced her parent's horse and buggy used to crisscross America. Cassandra is flamboyant, charming and charismatic and sweeps Paul and those dear to him off their feet.

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### EMIL TOTH'S BIOGRAPHY

In 2021, two of Emil's inspirational, spiritual, and dramatic novels, Seven Souls on a Cross and Love's Transformation, were awarded first and second place in the distinguished Golden Globe Awards. For the past four decades, he created and participated in spiritual support groups, meditation groups, spiritual seminars and workshops, and a church prayer group. He has given talks, posted internet articles, and been interviewed on radio and television and is currently working on videos where he will be describing his various experiences of bhakti and inspirational quotes from his books. He has worked with Healing Touch, Pilgrimage Healing, Chakra Energy Healing and Reiki healing modalities since the 1980s. In 2000 he co-founded Sacred Waters Spiritual Center and served as the facilitator, director, and caretaker helping people to further their awareness for over a year. Sacred Waters is still providing classes and seminars for the spiritual community.



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# COLLINS AND JOYCE

## Terry Bonadonna

*Born and raised:* Berwyn, IL

*Education:* Fenwick High School and Saint Xavier University

*Your position:* Director of Broadcasting and Media Relations

*How did you get started in baseball:*

When I was a student at Saint Xavier, the ThunderBolts came to our school's radio station looking for a radio broadcast of their games. The deal included having a student from the station working as an intern on the broadcasts. I got the gig and have been working with the ThunderBolts ever since.

The best thing about being professional play-by-play announcer;

The easy answer is that you get to watch baseball every day. Probably the biggest thing for me, though, is the knowledge that I am helping my audience appreciate the game they're watching/listening to. There are a lot of people who want to take in these games and they are able to experience them solely through the broadcasts I'm bringing them. In a small way, I get to take part in adding to others' enjoyment.

*What has been your most fond baseball moments:*

August 28, 2012 I got to call my first no-hitter. That's my favorite moment without question. I also love anytime I get to call games as part of a playoff race.

*Did you get any nicknames? If so, how did you get that nickname?*

I've been called a lot of things over the years but I don't know if I've ever had a nickname that stuck.

*Who were your mentors and what was the most valuable thing they taught you:*

I've had a lot of mentors over the years. I grew up listening to Pat Hughes call Cubs games on the radio. His style definitely influenced mine. I learned a lot from people I worked with in college. Professionally, Chad Cooper had a huge impact on me. He was the broadcaster when I was interning with the ThunderBolts and he probably taught me more than anyone else about how to conduct yourself as a professional broadcaster.

*Favorite baseball player (all time):*

That's tough but as a historian of Chicago baseball, I'll go with Gabby Hartnett.

*Favorite baseball memories:*

The no-hitter I called is a big one. As a spectator, I loved watching the White Sox win the 2005 World Series and the Cubs playing in the play-

offs in 2003.

*Favorite baseball movie:* Field of Dreams

*Favorite ball park food:*

I don't love ballpark food but I think hot dogs are too much a part of the game not to like them at the ballpark. I'm happy with a malt cup at Wrigley Field.

*Personal heroes:*

Certainly my parents on a personal level; professionally, I always idolized Pat Hughes and Vin Scully

*The one thing you can't stand (Pet Peeves):*

Littering... OK, that's one of many but for some reason, it's the first thing that came to mind.

*Most humbling Experience:*

I'm humbled every day. Especially when I'm on the air, my mistakes usually stick with me, so I can't let my head get too big.

*The three words that best describe you:* Curious, interested, raconteur

*Hobbies:* Reading, walking, running...I know, I'm a pretty boring guy.

*What do you do when you want to relax:*

I do a lot of puzzles. I'm not particular about what kind - crossword puzzles, jigsaw puzzles, any of them are a good way to relax.

*If you were the baseball commissioner for a week, what would be the first thing you do:*

None of the things I'd want to do would be too popular with most of the baseball world, so I'd probably be better off leaving the game alone. I'd love to get rid of some of the new rules, though - the extra inning one specifically, or automatic intentional walks. I'd love to see more day games too, though I don't think the commissioner has that kind of power.

*Favorite saying:* "A well tied tie is the first serious step in life."

*What's been the most popular attraction at Windy City Thunderbolts stadium:*

I'd love to say the baseball, but that's just one of many reasons to come to the park. People love fireworks on the weekends or wrestling on Thursday nights. Our theme nights are always fun.

If you could be on reality TV show, what one would you choose and why:

I know this sounds like a cop out, but I don't watch any reality TV, so I have no idea how to answer that. If there were a show about behind the scenes at a minor league ballpark, I'd want to be on that.

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