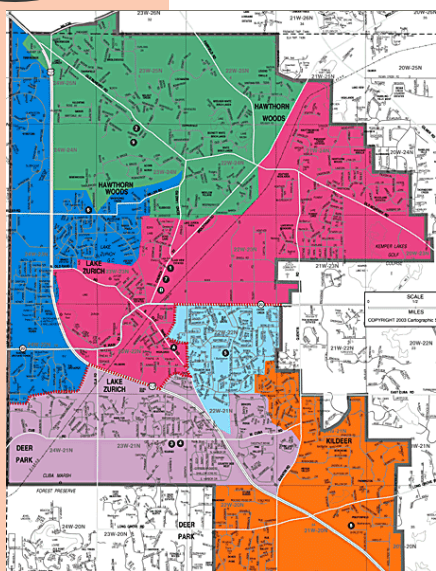




Awarded the
INSPIRA Award
of Excellence

Board to Hear School Boundary Proposal



Above: The current elementary school boundaries of District 95.

After more than 20 meetings and hundreds of hours research, analysis and discussion, the school district's Boundary Study Committee (BSC) submitted its boundary recommendations to Superintendent **Dr. Brian Knutson** by the December 16 deadline.

Having thoroughly reviewed the recommendation and relevant data, Dr. Knutson will publicly present his school boundary recommendation to the Community Unit School District (CUSD) Board of Education at the January 15 Committee of the

Whole (CoW). Because of the expected interest, the meeting will be held in the Performing Arts Center (PAC) at Lake Zurich High School beginning at 6 p.m.

In order to both inform and receive feedback from parents and other interested stakeholders, the Board of Education will hold three community forums from 7-8:30 p.m. on the following dates:

- January 28, 2009 - May Whitney School Gymnasium
- February 3, 2009 - Middle School South Gymnasium
- February 9, 2009 - Middle School North Cafetorium

Cont. on Pg. 2 -- see *School Boundaries*

Goldberg Named to Board of Education

Last night, January 8, during a special school board meeting where they interviewed the candidates, the Community Unit School District (CUSD) 95 Board of Education unanimously selected Lake Zurich resident **Douglas Goldberg** to fill the remainder of the term of school board member **Roger Tieman**, who stepped down to relocate outside of the school district's boundaries. Goldberg will be sworn in at the school board's January 15 Committee of the Whole (CoW) meeting, and will serve at least until the school board seat comes up for election in April 2011.

"We are very pleased to have Doug serve as a member of the school board," said Board of Education president **Kathy Brown**. "Doug's background in business, coupled with his school and community involvement and volunteerism, provides him with well-rounded experiences to bring to the Board of Education."

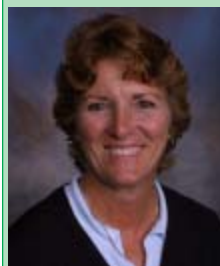
Goldberg, who is employed by Northrop Grumman Defense Systems in Rolling Meadows, IL, has served as a member of the 2007 District 95 Facilities Committee, a den leader for Cub Scout Pack 208, Foglia YMCA soccer coach, and girls' softball coach.

"I am a strong believer in active community participation and I sought this position as an opportunity to make a contribution in an area that is critical to the future of the students in our district," said Goldberg.

A total of eight community members submitted letters of interest for the school board seat.

"I want to thank all of the patrons who were interested in or applied for the open board position," said Brown. "I am appreciative of all of the individuals who sought to serve on behalf of District 95's students and schools."

Kolze Loses 'Interim' Part of Title, Now Principal



Lake Zurich High School lost its interim principal and gained a new leader without changing the person when the Community Unit School District 95 Board of Education changed **Kim Kolze's** title from interim principal to principal at its regular December school board meeting held just before the holiday break. The announcement, made by school board president **Kathy Brown**, was met with great applause from the audience.

"We have all been pleased with Kim's leadership at the high school as she has continued to try to raise the bar for student achievement and bring a very personal touch to her leadership style," said Superintendent Dr. Brian Knutson.

School Boundaries *cont.*

The community forums will consist of an administrative presentation, followed by



Above: Boundary Study Committee members receive an update from Superintendent **Dr. Brian Knutson**.

question and comment sessions from the general public. To help facilitate the many questions community members may have regarding

the issue of redistricting, the school district will accept questions in advance of the community forum via email at boundarycommittee@lz95.org.

Those questions that are not answered at the Community Forum will be answered in writing and posted on the district's boundary study website: www.lz95.org/lzboe/boundary.htm. Those who either cannot attend the Community Forum and/or would rather not speak publicly are encouraged to email their comments and questions to: boundarycommittee@lz95.org. All comments and questions will be shared with the Board of Education and district administration, as well as being posted on the school district's redistricting website: <http://www.lz95.org/lzboe/boundary.htm>.

For more information, contact the Office of Communications & Community Relations, (847) 540-5489, or email jim.jennings@lz95.org

Zaino Plays Lead in 'Hairspray' at State Fest



Lake Zurich High School student **Demi Zaino** captured the starring role of Tracy Turnblad in the Illinois High School Theatre Festival's All-State performance of 'Hairspray' running January 5-10, 2009. She heads an all-star cast from throughout the state. Demi was also selected for last year's show, 'Parade'.



Past LZHS performers to be selected for the all-state show cast include **Vicki Rodriguez** in 2004's 'The Arabian Nights', and **Will Angulo** and **Brad Walker** in 'A Chorus Line'

in 2006.

This is the same festival at which LZHS is performing 'The Wedding Singer'. In the past, LZHS has presented 'All My Sons' (2001), 'Quilters' (2003), 'The Diviners' (2005), and 'Urinetown' (2007).

Charity Bash Sets New Fund Raising Record

Even in a struggling economy, the students, staff and families of Lake Zurich High School (LZHS) and District 95 have shown their willingness to help others by raising **\$43,866** in this year's Charity Bash, another new record for the annual fund raiser. The proceeds from this year's fund raiser go to the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA).

With such activities as a penny war, talent show, auction, dodge ball, school versus school staff volleyball game, badminton tournament, and new hairstyles for the high school deans, raising money for a good cause was never so fun.

"The success of this year's Charity Bash would not be possible without the involvement of Lake Zurich area businesses, who donated to our auction and many events, and the many District 95 students, staff and parents who donated their time and their money to this year's bash," said **Christopher Bennett**, advisor to the LZHS Student Council.

The Charity Bash fun isn't over yet. On January 13, as part of the Cosmo Girl fundraiser, Dean of Students **Bryan Stortz** will get his head shaved, while the other Dean of Students, **Meghan Kolze**, will have her hair styled into a mohawk. The hair raising affair will take place between 12:30-1:30 p.m. in the LZHS Cafeteria.