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FOUR *for* HELIO

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Four-time 500 winner Helio Castroneves accepts traditional winner's drink of milk and pours it over his head during victory celebration.

(IMS PHOTO BY JOE SKIBINSKI)

Castroneves celebrates victory with his traditional Spiderman-style victory climb of the frontstretch fence.

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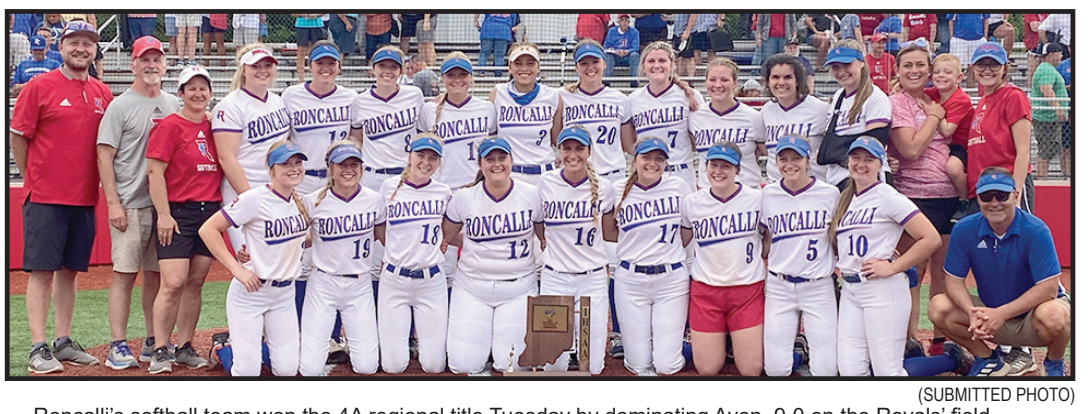
SOFTBALL

No. 1 Roncalli defeats Avon, semistate Saturday at CG



(SUBMITTED PHOTO)

Roncalli's softball team won the 4A regional title Tuesday by dominating Avon, 9-0 on the Royals' field. Pitcher Keagan Rothrock pitched her seventh no-hit game this season against the Orioles. The Royals, in photo, are shown after capturing the 4A New Palestine Sectional championship Saturday. Team members are, from left, front row kneeling, Lyla Blackwell, Cate Lehner, Abby Tillar, Kaelin Cash, Chloe Parks, Kate Curtis, Abbey Hofmann, Lauren Marsicek, Dani Gebhart, head coach David Lauck, back row, asst. coaches Joe Mulinaro, Rick Burkhardt, and Dawn Burkhardt, Courtney Keller, Abbie Carr, Caroline Leister, Gracie Holok, Gabbie Evans, Sofie Carr, Keagan Rothrock, Kylie Freije, Ally Walesky, Tori Candler, and asst. coaches Maria Poteet, MJ Poteet, and Maddie Mulinaro. Roncalli plays Saturday at 1 p.m. in the Center Grove Semistate with the final game at 7 p.m.

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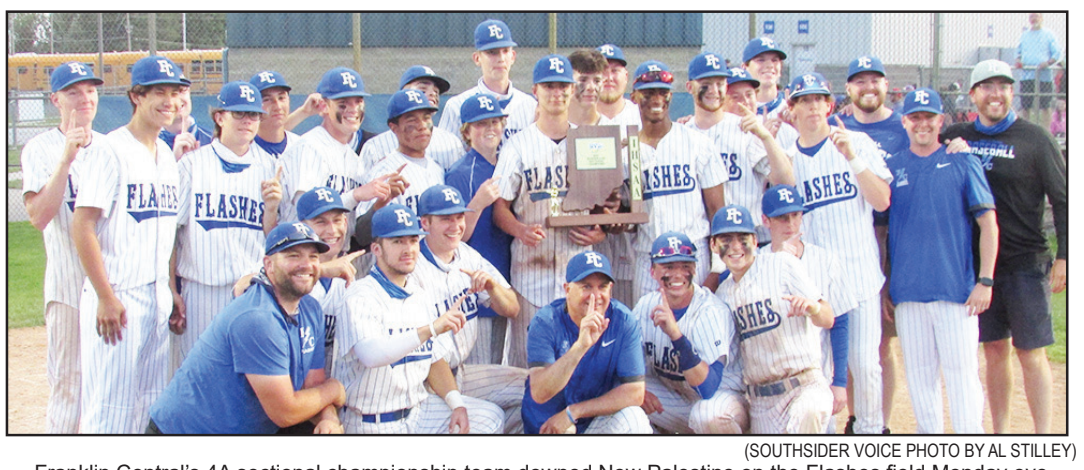
BASEBALL

Flashes win two crazy games and sectional championship



(SOUTHSIDER VOICE PHOTO BY AL STILLEY)

Franklin Central's 4A sectional championship team downed New Palestine on the Flashes field Monday evening for their first title under current coach Greg Schoettle. Team players are, not in order, Clayton Mouzon, Taylor Mann, Evan Lapsley, Ethan Palmer, Curt Moriarty, Tyler Brown, Caleb Burke, Max VanMeter, Gavin Haltom, Chris Huffman, Sam Mettert, Cyrus Robinson, Cooper Mills, Aidan Ewers, Levi Stephens, Josh McCormick, Jeffery Pang, Bran Lockhart, Caleb Richards, Phil Pritchett, Tanner Dudley, Mason Cook, and Corbin Napier. Asst. coach Brett Massengale, kneeling, left, and head coach Greg Schoettle are on the front row. Assistant coaches, standing far right, are Devin Anderson, Tommy Rockey, and Ben Kennedy. The Flashes are 9-19 after entering the IHSAA playoffs with only six wins during the regular season.

By **Al Stilley**
Editor

Franklin Central baseball coach Greg Schoettle and the Flashes experienced two of the craziest games Monday that they have ever played in the same day.

The Flashes upended rival Roncalli 4-3 in eight innings in a weird semifinal game in the morning and then defeated New Palestine 10-6 to win the program's eighth sectional championship at Franklin Central.

"Two of the craziest games I've ever been involved in," exclaimed Schoettle. "Our kids battled all day."

The Flashes won each game in vastly different and somewhat strange ways.

Against New Palestine in the championship game, the Flashes who like to score first did. They pushed across five runs in the first inning by going to the plate 10 times. Junior third-baseman Gavin Haltom cleared the bases with a three-run double to left field.

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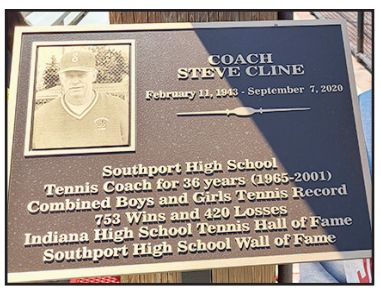
Southport tennis courts named for coach Cline

(SUBMITTED PHOTOS)

Beloved Southport High School tennis coach Steve Cline, above, is also honored with a plaque at the courts.



The Southport High School tennis courts are named in honor of beloved former coach Steve Cline, who passed away last year.

The high school's athletic department appropriately has renamed the outdoor facility as the Coach Steve Cline Tennis Courts. Family, including his widow Beth, friends, and former players were on hand for the dedication of the courts last month.

A plaque in his honor was placed by the courts as well as a red-and-white sign on the fence of the courts.

Cline coached tennis and taught business classes for 36 years (1965 to 2001) at the high school. His combined boys and girls team's record was 753 wins and 420 losses. He was named tennis coach of the year by his peers in the state. He served as the head coach of the inaugural Indiana vs. Kentucky all-state tennis match.

Cline was inducted into the Indiana High School Tennis Hall of Fame in 1993. In 2006, he was honored into the Southport Wall of Fame.

Cline died of Alzheimers on Sept. 7, 2020.

Coach Cline's family, above, including his widow Beth, pause for a photo in front of the commemorative sign that honors him at the Southport High School tennis courts. Cardinals who played boys and girls tennis for coach Cline also attended the special dedication ceremony last month that included a ribbon cutting.

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Kelly's Korner

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DAR CHAPTER AT 120TH CONFERENCE

(SUBMITTED PHOTOS)

Mary Bryan Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution attended the 120th state conference last month at the Marriott East in Indianapolis. Top photo: Chapter regent Vicki Kurtz, right, and historian Carolyn Ferraro greet state delegates at the entrance to the conference. Middle photo: Honorary state regent JoAn Nichols, far right, meets with Ferraro, left, and Kurtz. Bottom photo: A memorial wreath honored deceased DAR members in Indiana, including chapter member Jackie Evans, who passed away Sept. 7, 2020. Not pictured, Cathy Pollachek and Melinda Griesemer also represented the Mary Bryan Chapter. The Southside chapter was among several Hoosier chapters recognized for their accomplishments throughout the year.

MARY BRYAN DAR OFFICERS INSTALLATION

(SUBMITTED PHOTO)

Honorary state regent JoAn Nichols, far left, recently installed new officers of the Mary Bryan Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). The officers are, from left, regent Vicki Kurtz, vice regent Denise Arie, chaplain Sandy Baughn, recording secretary Becky Meyer, corresponding secretary Lindy Smith, registrar Linda Buff, treasurer Pam Clements, historian Carolyn Ferraro, librarian Jo Ann Gates, and parliamentarian Kay Coomer.

DAR HONORS 39-YEAR MEMBER

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DAR Mary Bryan Chapter regent presents 39-year member JoAn Nichols with a certificate of recognition for being an outstanding chapter member who demonstrates leadership, integrity, and commitment at a recent chapter meeting.

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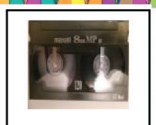
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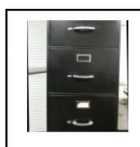
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Perry Township Schools

Our 2021 graduates

(SUBMITTED PHOTOS)

Perry Township Schools and the community congratulate the Class of 2021. On Friday, 485 Southport High School seniors were celebrated in a commencement ceremony at Southport Fieldhouse. On the following day, Saturday, May 29, Perry Meridian High School awarded diplomas to 480 graduates at the fieldhouse. This is the first time PMHS held its graduation at the Fieldhouse, where the number of attendees was limited due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Best of luck to all of the graduates as they start the next chapter of their lives!

STUDENTS TO NAME CRAZY ZOO ANIMAL

(SUBMITTED PHOTO)

A crazy zoo animal – half hippopotamus and half giraffe – sporting a bow tie was made out of LEGOs by Southsider Doug Davis, left, owner of It's a Block Party, 6025 Madison Ave. The students at New Beginnings Day Care, 2132 West Michigan St., will be naming the 6', 75 lbs. of LEGOs this week. Director Evelyn Evans, right, hired Davis to build the character based on stories the kids were reading and their love for LEGOs. Davis said this was the first time glue was used for this type of project. *Watch for it's new name in next week's publication.*

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Personal Recollections
By Fred Shonk

REMEMBERING MEMORIAL DAY

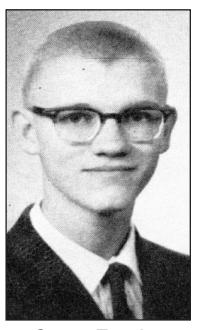
Memorial Day and Indy 500 race weekend always bring back so many memories. This year the race was shown live on television with no local telecast delay. The crowd at the Speedway was limited to 135,000 spectators due to the pandemic.

I have memories of seeing live coverage of the Indianapolis 500 by a local television station, WFBM-TV Channel 6. This was before it was connected to a national network and was shown all over the country. My memories include riding with my father on his country milk route on race day and watching the race on TV after stopping at farms to pick up large metal cans of milk to deliver to a local dairy.

I have always enjoyed the Indy 500 radio network broadcasts of the race. For many years, I enjoyed spending the day washing and waxing my car while listening to the race on the radio. I would drive my car into our backyard. I'd have a radio handy and stuff to eat and drink.

I knew one of the radio announcers, Tom Peden, who was part of the 500-radio network. The Peden family lived on the Southside and were customers at my father's service station. Peden's son, Mark, was a member of my senior class at Southport High School.

Speaking of my Southport High School class, I want to remember one of our classmates who lost his life while serving in the military. I think of him quite often but especially at Memorial Day. Stuart Ernhart lost his life while serving in Vietnam. I didn't know Stuart very well while we were in school. I remembered him as being a very good chess player. His was a very quiet polite young man.



Stuart Earnhart, a 1960 graduate of Southport High School, lost his life while sering in Vietnam.

I believe that Stuart was the only member of the Class of 1960 that we lost in Vietnam. He has been gone since 1966. He only had six years after graduation. I have grown to celebrate Memorial Day, Veterans Day and Armed Forces Day more and more every year. I have so many friends and classmates who served.

Our next-door neighbor is former military. We have exchanged a couple of stories about our time in the service. We tend to salute now from a distance when we spot each other in our yard or driveway. A couple of guys that he served with and their wives will visit with them in a couple of weeks.

This year's race was fantastic. I think almost everyone was excited to see Helio Castroneves join the "Four Wins" group of drivers. It was fun to watch all of the people share their excitement with him. It was a very fast and safe race. It will be interesting to see if Helio will try to start a "Five Wins" gang of winners.

Don't forget about the monthly car show Friday, June 4 on the parking lot of Beck's Service Center at Madison and Edgewood avenues. Also please remember that there will be a "Drive-Thru Drop Off" that will help fill a wish list for The Southside Animal Shelter. This will happen at the same location just before the start of the car show.

Stuart and I are looking forward to seeing lots of our friends.

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Stuart with his owner (Dad), Fred Shonk

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Reminiscing

By B. Scott Mohr
A retrospective glance at the Southside
From *The Spotlight* and *The Southsider Voice* archives

60 Years Ago This Week - 1961

Harry's Hamburgers opened at 3445 S. U.S. 31 and featured burgers for 15 cents. Eight sandwiches, four shakes and four orders of fries cost $1.99.

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Perry Township residents were questioning the $2.8 million cost of a new junior high school, especially when a Lawrence Township school with twice the amenities -- a swimming pool, air conditioning, a full gym and a 1,000-seat auditorium -- was priced at only $3.5 million.

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G.C. Murphy's in Fountain Square celebrated its 55th anniversary with many specials: bath towels, 42 cents; boys polo shirts, 55 cents; tennis shoes, $1.79; bedspreads, $2.99; women's swimsuits, $3.98; and small swimming pools, $5.99.

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The following quip was published: A man frequently complained that his wife had a bad habit of staying up until 1 or 2 a.m. "What is she doing," a friend asked. "Waiting for me to get home," the man replied.

50 Years Ago This Week - 1971

The average monthly Social Security check for a retiree was $126; the average payment for a couple was $199, and the average benefit for a widow with two children was $324.

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Central Hardware opened at South U.S. 31 and Shelby Street.

40 Years Ago This Week - 1981

Steve Burch and Jamie Bales, seniors at Southport and Perry Meridian, received $400 scholarships from the Southport chapter of Kappa Kappa Kappa.

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Perry Meridian English teacher Gary Demes replaced Chuck Robbins as football coach at Southport. Demes, a graduate of Indiana University and a former Marine, previously coached at Hanover College.

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Spotlight Publisher Jerry Cosby reported on some of the "sights" he saw while visiting "The Snakepit" at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway: an extremely pregnant woman sporting a string bikini; young ladies passed out in lawn chairs, women exposing their breasts; and a million empty beer cans. "The place has become a hellhole," he said.

30 Years Ago This Week - 1991

Southport High School named David Frick as its Alumnus of the Year. Frick, a 1962 graduate, served as deputy mayor under William Hudnut from 1977-81.

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Larry Harrell, who owned Harrell's Car Wash, won $8,000 on the 'Hoosier Millionaire" show.

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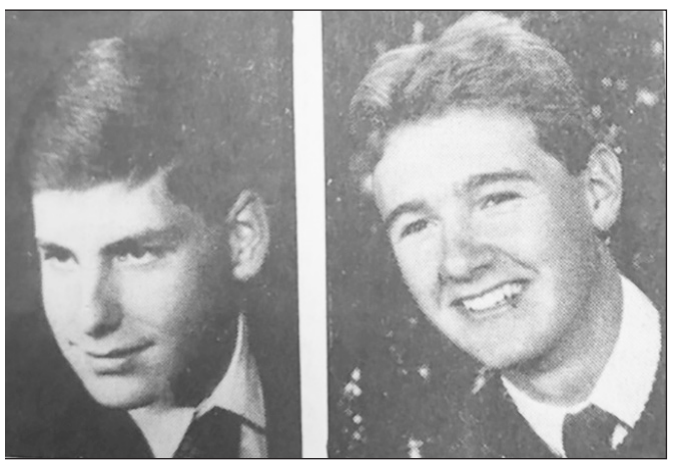

Roncalli recognized Mark Craney as its valedictorian and Jeffrey Utnage as salutatorian. Craney, son of Ronald and Frances Craney, planned to major in aeronautical engineering at Purdue. Utnage, son of Richard and Cynthia Utnage, intended to pursue a degree in business at Indiana University.

20 Years Ago This Week - 2001

Elda Dale (left) and Sarah Stoel were honored as Volunteers of the Year for South Group Women's Committee of the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra. They are seen with Kevin Garvey, ISO vice president of development.

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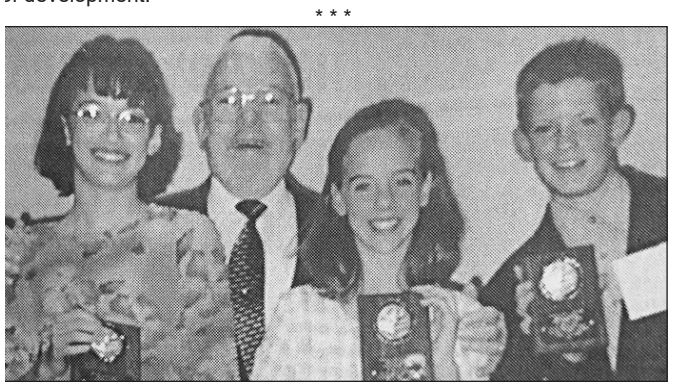

Lincoln Elementary School students Krista Davis, Emily Herron and Todd Welcher were named recipients of the Keith A. Brown Achievement Award, presented for outstanding achievements in academics and citizenship. Brown was the school's first principal.

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Commencement ceremonies were held at Southport High School.

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Gasoline cost $1.70 a gallon.

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Southport's Alumni Association awarded its $2,500 Margaret Davis memorial scholarships to Christine Garrabrant and Sarah Montgomery.

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Ann Puckett-Harpold, principal of Jeremiah Gray Elementary, set to open in the fall, was named a Sagamore of the Wabash, the honor that the governor could bestow upon a Hoosier.

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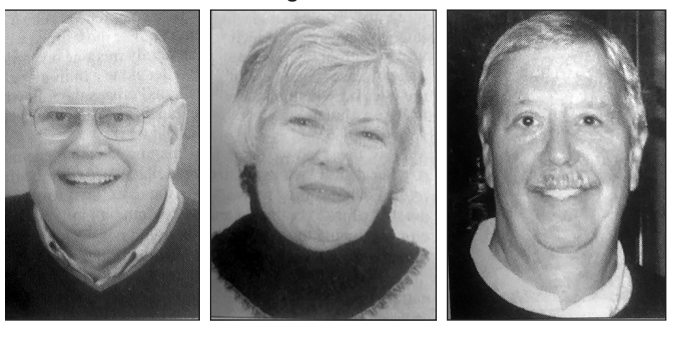
Brian Bock was named valedictorian of Lutheran High; Erika Willig and Jennifer Batteiger shared salutatorian honors.

10 Years Ago This Week - 2011



Beech Grove High School named Ron and Mary Ann Nelbert as its Teachers of the Year and Steve Yeager as Alumnus of the Year.

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Franklin Central's girls track and field team won the Shelbyville regional behind the first-place finishes of Meredith Jackson in the 300-meter run and Jasmine Al-anzi in the 3,200-meter run.

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Winners in the Southport Artistry Committee's arts show were Roy Boswell, Nicholai Shaver, Craig Hensley, Theresa Taylor, Melodie Ramey, Travis Own, Duane King, Brooke Taylor, B.T. Sang, Ben Lopez, Noah Dillehay and Lizzy Flanigan.

SOUTHSIDE DEATHS

RICHARD ALLISON, 88, wife, Catherine Allison; children, David, Mark, Daniel, Michelle, Matthew; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sister, Erma.

DAVID E. ALSPAUGH, 81, wife, Sharon Alspaugh; children, Jeff Alspaugh, Toni Huff, Cheryl Davis, Monte, Rex and Brad Suddeth; sister, MaryAnn Weddle; 13 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren.

ALFRED H. BACKEMEYER, 93, widower of Geneva; children, Lynn McCauley and Gregg Backemeyer; one great-granddaughter.

BETTY LOUISE BAER, 90, widow of Garland Baer; children, Rebecca Simon, Rachel Myers, Timothy and Thomas Baer; two grandchildren.

LOUIS LYNN BALDWIN, 78, wife, Sharon Baldwin; children, Richard and Amanda Baldwin; stepchildren, Marty and Anthony Edwards; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren.

LOIS JEAN BROWN-CLANTON, 84, widow of Howard Clanton Sr.; brother, Rudolph Williams; children, Rhonal Peacher, Jeannie, Edward and Eric Clanton Sr.; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

LINDA FAY BURNS, 72, widow of Dane Burns; children, Shawn Woodward and Jason Coons; stepchildren, Dana Johnson-Russell, Kenneth and Dexter Burns; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; siblings, Roger Inabnitt and Shirley Cottrell-Cropper; former spouse, David Coons.

RANDY JOE CARTER, 58, fiancé, Roberta Hole; children, Candi Barnes, Brittany Lawson and Austin Carter; father, Bobby Carter.

LINDA CATHERINE COPE, husband, Michael; children, Kimberly Adams, Jennifer Williams, Matthew Cope; nine grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; brothers, John and Michael Day.

KIMBERLY RAGER DEBOOR, 61, daughter, Amanda Rager; two grandchildren.

STEVEN DOUGLAS DICKEY, SR., 76, wife, Jackie Dickey; children, Stacy Craft, Shelly Savage, Shawn Smith, Bill Estes, Vince Blevins, David Craft and Bart Jolly; sister, Dolores Firkins; 18 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren.

JOHN E. GREIN, 87, widower of Glenda; children, Joanna Colson and Dr. Andrew Grein; three grandchildren.

LEOMA HADLEY, 76, widow of Ralph Hadley; sons, Steve and Roger Hadley; four grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren.

MARIE ELLEN "MICKEY" HAMILTON, 84, widow of Dwain Hamilton; children, Lee Hamilton, Carol Brown; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

CHARLES CLAY "CHUCK" HEAGY, 57, children, Brandon and Leslie Heagy; siblings, Debbie Miller, Charlene Spicer, Gloria Courtney, Michelle Williams, Sheryl Beach, David, Ralph and Keith Heagy; father, Ralph Heagy; three grandchildren.

SHARON MARIE SLEETH HEERINGA, 76, husband, Edward "Pete" Heeringa; children, Mark Heeringa and Angie Kolman; five grandchildren.

LADONNA M. KAUFFMAN, 90, widow of Carl Kauffman; sons, Russ and Rick Kauffman; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild.

CLARENCE "JOE" KESLER, 74, wife, Sandra Kesler; children Sandra Long, Troy Hines, Jody Kesler; six grandchildren; one great-grandson; siblings, Charlie Kesler, Peggy Hodge.

THOMAS LEE LAMAR, 74, children, Brandi and Chrishon Lamar; one grandson.

MARY ANN "MOLLY" O'RILEY LASSUY, 98, widow of Albert "Art" Lassuy; children, Mary Pat McCarter, Margaret "Peggy" Snead, Suzanne Whalen, Teresa Caldara, Elizabeth, Dennis and Joseph Lassuy; brother, Fr. Dennis O'Riley; 13 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren.

CANDY LEE LEPAK, 51, children, Ashley McKenzie, Bobbie, Debbie and Jennah Gordon, Courtney Schatz, Dustin and Michael Lepak II; 10 grandchildren.

JEFFREY D. LEVENHAGEN, 71, wife, Beverly; children, Lora Hopp, Paul, Josh and Tim Levenhagen; two grandchildren.

JAMES BRYAN LONG, 51, wife, Karen Long; children, Kathy Barker, Katie Barker-Sullivan and Adam Hansel; four grandchildren; parents, Gerald and Pamela Long; brother, Michael Long.

ADDIE DEAN LOWE, 76, widow of Billy Lowe; children, Anthony Lowe, Deanna DeBruler and Virginia Mounts; 10 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.

THOMAS A. MCKINLEY, 68.

DONALD MORRIS MILLER, 105, widower of Margaret Miller; children, Betty Hoffmeyer, Donald Miller; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson.

MAX E. MILLER, 91, widower of Geraldine; children, Mary Bomar, Edward, James "Jim" and Don Miller; brother, William Miller; 13 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren.

TERRY LEE MURPHY, 70, wife, Barbara Murphy; children, Monica Allen and Luke Murphy; sisters, Cathy Heller and Patty Meyers; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

PERICILIS "PERRY" PANAGOS, 83.

ANTONIO FEDERICO PIZZI, 85, wife, Antoinette Pizzi; children, Carmelina Pizzi-Mills, Gino and Paolo Pizzi; six grandchildren; sisters, Francesca Pizzi-Giunta and Domenica Pizzi Marino.

ERICA GROMMECK PREY, 77, husband, John Prey; children, Jennifer Wargel, Michael Prey, Michelle Corbin; stepdaughter, Robin Lanford; brother, Herbert Grommeck; five grandchildren.

JUANITA SIMPSON, 90, widow of Harold Simpson; children, Edna Francis, George and Paul Simpson; 10 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; siblings, Tom Coates and Sarah Jane Barnett.

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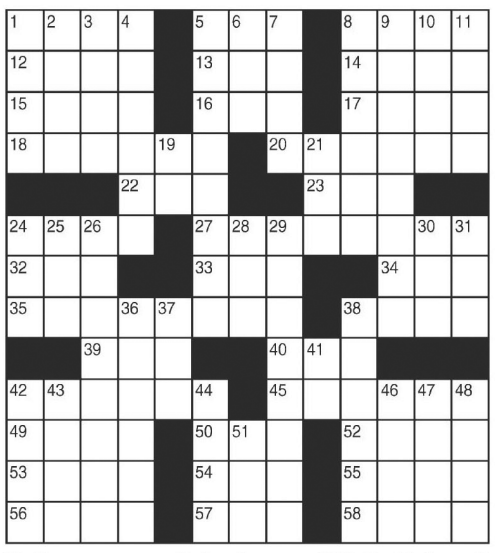

ACROSS
1 Move rapidly
5 Pirates' quaff
8 EPA concern
12 World's fair
13 Detergent brand
14 Hardy cabbage
15 Tolerate
16 Whatever number
17 "— have to do"
18 Release
20 Heart lines
22 Sauce source
23 Prickly seedcase
24 Scenery chewers
27 Afternoon shows
32 Biz deg.
33 Journalist Tarbell
34 "Erie Canal" mule
35 Math tables, e.g.
38 Ratio phrase
39 Auto
40 Hr. portion
42 Religious retreat
45 Declare
49 See 38-Down
50 A billion years
52 Lotion additive
53 Faraway fleet?
54 Blackbird
55 Palm variety
56 Libretto
57 Meadow
58 — off (angry)

DOWN
1 Hump-backed animal of India
2 Kin of 1-Down
3 Colorful fish
4 Swamp
5 Easily prepared product
6 Grecian vessel
7 Poet Angelou
8 Slalom slope
9 Futon, for one
10 — podrida
11 Solidifies
19 "When pigs fly!"
21 Japanese sash
24 "Let me think ..."
25 "The — Daba Honeymoon"
26 Compact car maker?
28 Citric beverage
29 Devil's home?
30 Chow down
31 — -mo replay
36 Toughest to find
37 Gershwin or Glass
38 Young one
41 Kipling poem
42 Touch
43 Protected
44 Repast
46 Nastase of tennis lore
47 Lasso
48 Anthropologist Margaret
51 Individual

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: **S** equals **T**

FIBM C VYUSNMCSB DIJDHBM

FJMZ SIB AYSSBUR, J FYNAX ZCR

JS JZ XNB SY SIB DANDH YV

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Southsiders' Bulletin Board

INDYPL SUMMER READING PROGRAM

The annual Indianapolis Public Library (IndyPL) summer reading program begins Monday, June 7 at all branch locations. Youths and teens can track the time spent reading books, listening to audiobooks or having someone read to a young child. The program continues through July 31 with readers eligible for prizes after reading one, five, 10, 15, and 20 hours. Southside branches are at: 1102 Main St., Beech Grove; 5550 S. Franklin Road, 2502 Shelby St., and 2630 E. Stop 11 Road. To register, visit an IndyPL branch or online at: indypl.beanstack.com.

ART LEAGUE FEATURED ARTIST

The featured artist this month is Amy M. Townsend at the Southside Art League Gallery, 299 E. Broadway St., Greenwood. Townsend's presentation of her pastel paintings is her first solo show. She will meet patrons at an opening reception Saturday, June 5, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Gallery hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Info: 317-882-5562.

GREENWOOD PRIDE BLOCK PARTY

Greenwood's Craig Park will be the site of a Greenwood Pride Block Party, Saturday, June 5, noon to 5 p.m. Donations at the event will benefit Trinity Haven. The party features live music, local artists, Hoosier Brewing Company beer, food vendors and a kids corner. Health protocols will be in effect. Craig Park is located at 10 E. Smith Valley Road with additional access from Surina Drive.

ADULT CRAFT WEEK AT GPL

Adults can take part in adult craft week at the Greenwood Public Library and make polymer clay stars and stripes earrings during the library's adult craft week. To make the earrings, adults can attend in person Tuesday, June 8 at 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday, June 9 at 6 p.m.; Thursday, June 10 at 12:30 p.m., or Saturday June 12 at 1:30 p.m. Health protocols will be in effect. Registration is required. Info: greenwoodlibrary.us.

BEECH GROVE BREAKFAST CLUB

The next breakfast club at Hornet Park Community Center is Thursday, June 3 at 9 a.m. A hot breakfast is served along with various games and prizes. The breakfast is free but donations are welcome. The breakfast is each Thursday at the center at 5245 Hornet Ave. To sign-up, call 317-788-4986 or RSVP by email to: communitycenter@beechgrove.com.

'CARTOONS IN THE PARK'

Greenwood Public Library is the host for a free public showing of "Cartoons in the Park," outdoors at the Old City Park at 8:30 p.m., Friday, June 11. The featured cartoons consist of favorite Looney Tune episodes. Popcorn and a kids craft are available. The monthly teen movie series also begins Friday, June 4 at 2 p.m. with The Hunger Games shown in the TeenHQ room at the library, 310 S. Meridian St. Info: 317-881-1953.

NJTL SUMMER TENNIS SIGN-UPS

Registration is underway for the National Junior Tennis League's annual summer tennis lessons for ages 5 to 18 years old. Southside sites for lessons include courts at Beech Grove High School, Garfield Park, and Perry Meridian High School. Cost is $75 for beginners with scholarships available. Lessons continue through July 15. To register, call 317-429-9965 or visit online at indynjtl.org.

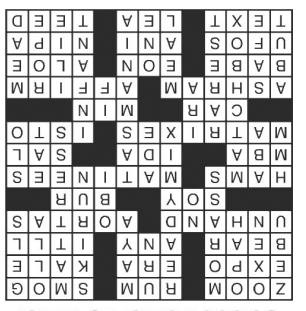
PERRY SENIORS EUCHRE AND BINGO

The euchre club and bingo are among the activities at the Perry Senior Services Center, 6901 Derbyshire Road in Southport, Wednesday, June 9. The monthly second Wednesday features an informational speaker sponsored by Forest Creek Village at 10 a.m., euchre club at 11 a.m., a pitch-in lunch at noon, and bingo, sponsored by Dave Cable of United Healthcare, at 1 p.m. Health protocols are in effect. To make the required reservation or for info, call 317-783-9231.

PERRY KIWANIS GOLF OUTING

The sixth annual Perry Kiwanis Golf Outing will be held Thursday, June 17, at Smock Golf Course. The fundraiser will help Kiwanis support Hunger Inc., Riley Hospital, Baxter YMCA and Perry Township Schools and others. Hole sponsorships are $500 and include four rounds of golf and four "super tickets." Beverage cart sponsorships are $750 and are limited to two. Golf is $75 for individuals and $300 per foursome and includes lunch, a round of golf, cart, unlimited practice balls and drinks on the course (including beer). Each "super ticket" includes two mulligans, one skirt, a putting contest entry, and a raffle ticket for four-day lodging at a Wyndham resort. A silent auction also will raise funds. Health protocols are to be followed. To enter or for info: call 317-319-9345 or email, pickle7310@gmail.com.

CryptoQuip answer
When a fortunate chicken wins the lottery, I would say it is due to the cluck of the draw.



— King Crossword —
Answers
Solution time: 25 mins.

HOROSCOPE: It's in the stars!

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your creative side is enhanced by indulging yourself in as much artistic inspiration (music, art, dance, etc.) as you can fit into your schedule. Bring someone special along.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Take a little restorative time out of your busy life. Go somewhere quiet this weekend. Or just close the door, turn on the answering machine and pretend you're away.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your advice might be much in demand by family and friends this week. But reserve time for yourself to investigate a project that could have some unexpected potential.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Work-related issues demand your attention in the early part of the week. Family matters dominate Thursday and Friday. But the weekend is yours to spend as you please.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Try to keep your temper in check as you deal with someone who seems to enjoy showing disrespect. Losing your Leonine cool might be just what the goader hopes to see.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A heated confrontation needs some cool-off time before it boils over. Better to step away than to try to win an argument where emotions overrule the facts.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Someone very special in your life finally sends that reassuring message you've been hoping for. You can now devote more time to the tasks you had put aside.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Job pressures begin to ease by week's end, leaving you time to relax and restore your energy levels before you face next week's emerging challenges.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your spiritual strength helps calm a friend who might be facing an unsettling change in their life. An offer to help comes from a surprising source.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) By midweek you could learn some surprising facts about an associate that might cause you to reconsider a long-held view about someone in your past.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) One of those rare-for-you darker moods sets in in the early part of the week. But by Thursday, the clouds lift and you're back doing nice things for people in need.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Use that sharp Piscean perceptiveness to reel in more information about a promising offer so that you have the facts to back up whatever decision you make.

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By **Al Stilley**
Editor

After shaking hands Sunday with Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, the top-elected state official said, "Our prayers have been answered."

Indeed! After a pandemic forced the first Indianapolis 500 to be held in August 2020 and without spectators, 135,000 or more flowed into the Speedway for the 105th running of the world's greatest race.

They came dressed in checkered shirts, pants, and socks; some guys without shirts with ambient temps in the upper 40s; they mingled by the hundreds behind the pagoda; the Gordon Pipers and the Purdue University band played on; soldiers marched; and there were two flyovers.

This was the day that signaled some semblance of normalcy in Indiana with the largest crowd assembled for any sports event in the U.S. since the pandemic struck in early 2019.

It turned out to be one of the greatest days in motor racing history as Helio Castroneves became a four-time 500 winner, joining legends A.J. Foyt, Al Unser, and Rick Mears. Castroneves won in 2001, 2002, and 2009 with Team Penske. He's the first to win four times with two different teams, (Jim) Meyer/(Mike) Shank Racing this year.

His fourth win touched off the most boisterous winner's celebration in Speedway history.

Known as Spiderman, the 46-year-old driver climbed the fence; fans climbed the fences, too. He ran all over the frontrstretch; received hugs from family, team members and fellow drivers plus former team boss Roger Penske; and drank milk, kissed a brick at the start-finish line and was kissed by Marion Andretti. He was still wearing the victory wreath in the winner's post-race conference in the media center.

He compared his fourth 500 win to the successes of Super Bowl winning quarterback Tom Brady, 43, and recent PGA champion Phil Mickelson, 50, against younger competitors.

"The older guys are still kicking the younger guys' butts," Castroneves exclaimed.

No doubt, the thousands in attendance Sunday adore Castroneves and he adores the Indy fans.

"I love Indianapolis," the Brazilian driver beamed. "The fans, they give me energy!"

Castroneves won the fastest Indy 500 (2 hours, 37 minutes, 19 seconds; 190.690 miles per hour). The race was slowed by only two cautions. He dueled against Alex Palou of Spain for the final 25 laps, taking the lead at the end of the frontstretch with less than two laps to go. He led 20 laps total.

"I was doing everything to catch him," Palou said. "I gave it everything, I went into Turn 4 almost too hard."

Simon Pagenaud, Pato O'Ward, and Speedrome Legends Cars graduate Ed Carpenter were among the top five. Twenty-two cars finished on the lead lap with the top four within less than one second of each other.

(IMS PHOTO BY MATT FRAVER)
Dreyer Reinbold crew works fast during pit stop by driver Sage Karam, who started 31st and finished a career-high seventh Sunday in the 105th running of the Indianapolis 500.

DRR TEAM SEVENTH

Dreyer Reinbold team driver Sage Karam raced to his best-ever finish Sunday by coming from 31st to seventh in the No. 24 AES Indiana Chevrolet. He led two laps.

"We are a little one-off race team and we were battling with the big dogs all day," Karam said. "Dennis (Reinbold) has had faith in me and today I was able to bring home a good finish in the biggest race in the world."

Karam continued, "I think I drove the most patient ever here at Indy. You couldn't force things, and that was the key today."

Reinbold, who owns an auto dealership in Greenwood, founded the team in 1999.

DAPPER PIT DUTIES

Royal Spa owner Bob Dapper was in the pits as a volunteer crewmember on the No. 18 Dale Coyne Vasser Sullivan entry driven by Ed Jones who finished 28th, one lap down, after eight pit stops. This was his 26th 500 to serve on a pit crew. Most teams made five pit stops, so Dapper was one of the busiest in the pits Sunday.

He provided one of two front tires during each of Jones' pit stops, pre-checking each tire for the right temperature, and then taking the stack of used tires from the pit area near the start-finish line to the Firestone garage in Gasoline Alley.

HARD LUCK TRIO

Good luck was not riding with former winners Scott Dixon and Alexander Rossi and always hopeful Graham Rahal. Due to Stefan Wilson's spin near the entrance to pit lane, Dixon and Rossi had to make an emergency stop for fuel and rejoined the fray in 31st and 32nd position, one lap down. Dixon managed to finish 17th, but Rossi remained two laps down. Rahal was on target to win with fuel mileage but lost the left rear wheel in the egress lane after a pit stop. His race car turned sharply right across the south chute and hit the outer wall.

"We were in the perfect spot," Rahal said afterward. "We were cruising. We had them today."

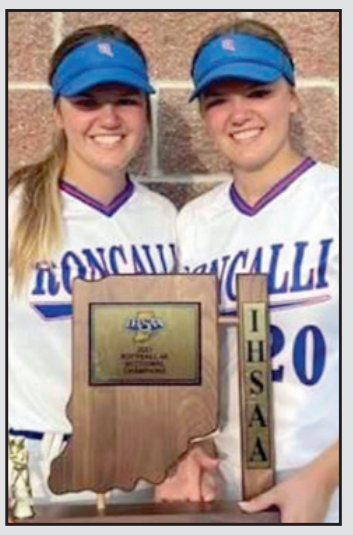
Instead, Castroneves had them and made history on that same day.

Royals combine defense and pitching to earn title

Timely hitting, great pitching, and stout defense propelled Roncalli to its 17th softball sectional championship Saturday at New Palestine.

The newly-named Royals (4A No. 2) ended No. 7 Franklin Central's title hopes with a 5-0 win for Roncalli's first sectional title since 2015.

(SOUTHSIDER VOICE PHOTO BY GREG ROTHROCK)
Roncalli junior Courtney Keller rounds third base and is congratulated by head coach David Lauck after she hit a solo home run to give the Royals a 1-0 lead in the second inning Saturday against No. 7 Franklin Central in the championship game of the New Palestine Sectional. The No. 2-ranked Royals scored four more runs and shut out the Flashes for the sectional title. Roncalli defeated No. 1 New Palestine in a semifinal game earlier in the week. The three top-seven ranked teams made the sectional the toughest to win in Class 4A.



Roncalli twin softball players Abbie, left, and Sophie Carr, both seniors, proudly hold the 4A New Palestine Sectional championship trophy Saturday. They are among nine seniors on this year's Royals team that avenged regular season losses to New Palestine and Franklin Central by defeating both teams in the sectional.
(SUBMITTED PHOTO)

Sophomore pitcher Keagan Rothrock struck out 17 Flashes in seven innings and allowed only one hit. Junior Courtney Keller brought Roncalli's bats alive with a two-out solo home run in the second inning. Senior speedster Chloe Parks and soph Lyla Blackwell had two hits apiece.

"Our seniors are a solid group who have been trying to win a sectional for three years," coach David Lauck said. "This title is a feather in their cap and it's a huge deal for our program."

Roncalli added runs in the third on Rothrock's fielder's choice, in the fourth on senior Abbie Carr's two-out double, and in the fifth with a sacrifice fly by senior Kaelin Cash and a single by Keller

The No. 1 ranked Royals (27-2) were hosts to Avon (22-6) Tuesday in the regional. The winner advances to the 4A semistate Saturday at Center Grove.

Roncalli reached the championship game by defeating Southport 8-1, and then shutting down No. 1 New Palestine, 4-0 on May 26.

Franklin Central, in its 42nd season under coach Kathy Stricker, reached the title game by dominating Warren Central, 10-0.

Roncalli's two losses during the season came against New Palestine and Franklin Central.

Rothrock struck out 41 batters in the three sectional games.

DEFENDING CHAMPS ROLL

Center Grove, the 2019 4A state champions, rolled to its fourth straight sectional title with a 5-1 triumph May 24 against Mooresville to avenge a regular season loss to the Pioneers. It is the fourth straight sectional title for the Trojans.

Junior Jazi Courtney and freshman Riley Janda led the attack with two hits apiece. Pitcher Alexis Rudd, Trojans' lone senior, struck out seven Pioneers and gave up only four hits.

Under coach Alyssa Coleman, the Trojans were at home Tuesday for its own regional against Columbus North.

(Note: Roncalli sports information director Rob Brown contributed to this article).

(SOUTHSIDER VOICE PHOTO BY GREG ROTHROCK)
Sophomore Lyla Blackwell lays down a perfect bunt against Franklin Central in the championship game Saturday of the 4A sectional at New Palestine. The Royals claimed their first sectional trophy since 2015. The Royals met Avon in a 4A Regional game Tuesday night at Roncalli.

Flashes

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But no matter how big a lead FC had, the Dragons kept threatening to take it away. Thanks to three walks, only one hit, and one costly FC error, the Dragons pushed across two runs each in the second and third innings

FC went ahead 8-4 but the Dragons scored solo runs in the fifth and sixth innings, this time helped by three errors by the Flashes. The Dragons scored all six runs on only one hit.

Leading 8-6, the Flashes two insurance runs on singles by sophomore catcher Corbin Napier and senior leftfielder Evan Lapsley. Relief pitcher Cyrus Robinson shut down the Dragons in the seventh inning.

The sectional title, for all practical purposes, was decided in the opening game Monday.

Roncalli had opportunities at the plate - loading the bases three times and only scoring one run from it. Overall, 17 Royals reached base, but they stranded 13 runners.FC fared just slightly better with 11 Flashes reaching base and stranding eight.

The Flashes posted two runs in the second inning and held Roncalli scoreless until doubles by Nicholas Beckman and Ben Kenney finally produced a run in the sixth. They tied it 2-2 on Dylan Craig's double in the seventh. Then coach Aaron Kroll's squad went ahead 3-2 on Dominic Brown's double.

Then in the bottom of the eighth, FC's Aiden Ewers and Mason Cook drew walks and scored from second and third to win on two successive throwing errors on the same play.

"I told them going into the bottom of the eighth that we had to get baserunners on and make them make plays," Schoettle recalled. "We really got lucky."

FC junior Phil Pritchett, who put the ball in play for the game-winning sequence, said, "I'm really happy for the team but we didn't know it would have such a crazy ending."

The Flashes advance to the 4A Plainfield Regional against Mt. Vernon at 11 a.m., Saturday with Cathedral meeting Terre Haute North at 1 p.m. The winners meet later at 8 p.m.

CG CLAIMS SECTIONAL

At Mooresville, 4A Center Grove defeated upset-minded Greenwood, 6-1 for the sectional title Monday.

The Trojans will meet favored Columbus North in the Jasper Regional at 11 a.m. Saturday with Jasper and Floyd Central playing at 1 p.m. The title game is at 8 p.m.

Greenwood, winners of only four games, struck first on an RBI single by Josh Miller but the Trojans came back with two runs with a triple by Sam Griffith and a double by Mitchell Evans. Trojans pitcher Jacob Wilson held the Woodmen scoreless after that and struck out 11 Woodmen.

CG won a tense nine-inning semifinal against Franklin and Greenwood upset rival Whiteland

Southside athletes reach IHSAA track state finals

Center Grove's boys and girls track and field teams each won regional championships last week.

The boys' team dominated the Warren Central Regional by winning four individual events and two relays. The Trojans out-scored the host Warriors, 142-96.

The Trojans' champions included: Brandon Wheat, 200 dash: James Schott, 110 hurdles; Connor Delp, 300 hurdles; and Jackson Schott, long jump. The 4x100 relay of Delp, Micah Coyle, Drew Wheat, and B.Wheat and the 4x400 relay of Zach Greller, Delp, Tayven Jackson, and D. Wheat also brought home blue ribbons for Center Grove.

Schott (long jump), Griffin Hennessy (1,600 run), Parker Mimbela (3,200), Doyle (110 high hurdles), and Amar Singh, pole vault, also qualified for state.

More state finals qualifiers include: Franklin Central - Justin Healey, 800; Alex Evans, discus and 4x400 relay of Joseph Coney, Joseph Ashman, Usman Kamara, and Healey and 4x800 relay of Coney, Brayden Henkle, Ashman, and Alex Parkhurst. The Flashes were fourth with 44 points.

Roncalli Royals reaching the state finals are: Zander Hooten, 300 hurdles; Eli Crouch, high jump; and 4x100 relay of Collin Newett, Hooten, Kyle Lockard, and Michael Gallagher.

Ben Davis High School is the site of the IHSAA state finals with boys Friday and girls Saturday. Prelims are at 3 p.m. with finals at 6:10 p.m. Admission is $12 per person.

Center Grove's girls team edged runner-up Columbus North, 109-104 to pick up the Franklin Regional title.

Regional championships were won by CG's Kate Henselmeier, 400; Makensie Kramer, 100 hurdles; and Taylor Tarosinski, pole vault. Kramer missed qualifying for the 300 hurdles by a mere two-thousands of a second.

Trojans also going to state are: Kramer, 200; Mary Hodges, 800; Skyler Sichting, 100 hurdles; Shelby Wingler, shot put and discus; and 4x100 relay of Kramer, Kristen Lavergne, Sichting, Carolynne Schott. Lutheran's Katie McKinley, 300 hurdles, and Franklin Central's Rebecca Uhlik, pole vault qualified for state.

At Ben Davis, Southport's Modupe Awosanya won the long jump.

Roncalli Salutes Our Boys Volleyball State Runners-up

The Roncalli varsity boys volleyball team, under the direction of head coach John Kesterson, captured the regional championship and are state runners-up.

The 2021 regional championship is the program's 12th regional title and the eighth consecutive trip to the state finals.

Congratulations to the coaches and the Roncalli varsity boys volleyball team!

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