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2014 KHSAA FINAL 4



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2014 40TH DISTRICT CHAMPS 10TH REGION CHAMPS

DRIVE FOR FIVE

40th District Champs

10th Region Champs



40th District Tourney at Montgomery County

GRC 67 Paris 27

GRC 63 Montgomery County 51



10th Region Tourney at Mason County

GRC 64 Harrison County 42

GRC 41 Mason County 37

GRC 56 Montgomery County 46

DIDDLE ARENA



KHSAA Sweet 16 Tournament

at Bowling Green

GRC 79 Corbin 70

GRC 45 Marshall County 37

GRC 56 Elizabethtown 71

2014 GRC HOOPS

40th District Champs 27-8 10th Region Champs



2013/2014 Roster

No.	Name	No.	Name
2	Lauren Welsh	20	Micah Kindred
3	Shelby Gilkerson	21	Sydney Anderson
4	Kaytlynn Williams	22	Lexus Graham
11	Paige Taylor	23	Sandra Skinner
12	Megan Terrell	24	Maleaha Bell
13	Maddie Hamlin	33	Elizabeth Hardiman

Coaching Staff

Head Coach - Robbie Graham

Asst. Coaches - Steve

Anderson, William Brown,

Teresa Palmer, Dennis

Wainwright, Willie Henry

Managers - Taylor Ritchie,

Ariana Daniel, Ashley Davis

2013/14 Season Results

Marion County	(L) 49 - 52
Collins	(W) 62 - 39
Campbell County	(W) 75 - 43
Madison Central	(W) 59 - 43
Owensboro Catholic	(L) 61 - 65
Warren Central	(W) 53 - 39
Holy Cross (Covington)	(L) 33 - 39
Whitley County	(L) 42 - 58
Marion County	(W) 60 - 53
Cumberland County	(W) 62 - 51
Male	(W) 67 - 49
Montgomery County	(W) 68 - 59
Mason County	(W) 56 - 54
Bourbon County	(W) 67 - 44
Tates Creek	(W) 78 - 43
Paul Laurence Dunbar	(W) 56 - 53
Clay County	(W) 56 - 50
Scott County	(L) 60 - 65
Lexington Catholic	(W) 73 - 62
Montgomery County	(L) 68 - 74
Paris	(W) 66 - 31
Bourbon County	(W) 55 - 41
Bracken County	(W) 75 - 62
Nicholas County	(W) 74 - 38
Nelson County	(W) 70 - 61
Ashland Blazer	(W) 57 - 51
Southwestern	(L) 45 - 65
40th District Tournament	
Paris	(W) 67 - 27
Montgomery County	(W) 63 - 51
10th Region Tournament	
Harrison County	(W) 64 - 42
Mason County	(W) 41 - 37
Montgomery County	(W) 56 - 46
Sweet 16 State Tournament	
Corbin	(W) 79 - 70
Marshall County	(W) 45 - 37
Elizabethtown	(L) 56 - 71

SWEET 16 FINAL 4

Unbreakable Bond

It isn't every day that your basketball team plays in the Final 4 of the Sweet 16. It isn't every day that throughout the season, your team becomes, not just best friends, but sisters bound together by one love: basketball.

Standing in the dark tunnel holding our balls tight to our jerseys, we waited. Only seconds stood in the way of our dream.

When the clock hit triple zero it was our time. Our time to show everyone what we are capable of, our time to let everyone know who GRC Hoops is.

As I dribbled into the light and listened to the roar of the crowd chanting "GRC, GRC," the goose bumps and chills rushed through me, and suddenly it was real.

As I looked at the faces of my teammates and saw their smiles and wide eyes, I knew they were experiencing the same emotions, and there was no doubt in my mind that the victory belonged to us.

Even though we weren't the last team standing on Sunday afternoon, making it to the Final 4 was incredibly magical and special.

Coach Graham used to tell us that if we made it to state we would be remembered as a great team, but if we kept winning, we would become a unique team. We did just that.

Knowing that our team will always be remembered as a Final 4 team is an unbelievable honor and an unforgettable way to end my senior year.

Leaving my sisters will be the only downfall of graduating. The 12 of us have survived through countless "get after it practices," horrific game performances, and too many inconvenient injuries.

Though there were days when there would be yelling and frustration on the court, off the court we had a sisterly bond so strong that it led us on a remarkable, unique journey to the Final 4.

I, unfortunately, won't have the opportunity to play with this incredible group of girls again, but I'm confident that they will repeat history again next season.

I would like to wish them the best of luck in the future and thank them for giving me an unforgettable memory and an unbreakable bond to hold on to forever. #D2B



Maddie Hamlin #13



PURE JOY!

Pure joy is true happiness with no blemishes. It is happiness not affected by any other feelings or circumstances in your life. We should really be thankful for those events in our life that result in pure joy. Of the hundreds of pictures that were taken during our magical run, this by far is my favorite. As Angie Gilkerson tagged it on Facebook, this photo truly captures what PURE JOY looks like. I thank everybody that is GRC Hoops for making this great season happen and I'm just glad that I got the chance to be a part of it.

Thanks,
Coach Anderson

2014 10TH REGION CHAMPS

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SPORTS

Kentucky falls at Florida,
Wildcats limp into SEC Tournament - B1

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DESTINATION: BOWLING GREEN!



The George Rogers Clark High School Lady Cardinals rush the Mason County gym floor to accept the 10th Region championship trophy Sunday afternoon. Presenting the team with the trophy and game ball is GRC's principal David Bolen and GRC AD James Kesse, right.



George Rogers Clark High School Lady Cardinal Mollie Hemin cuts a section from one of the nets after the Lady Card's 56-46 win over Montgomery County Sunday afternoon to win the 10th Region championship.

Lady Cardinals capture 10th Region title

By Keith Taylor
The Winchester Sun
MAYSVILLE — George Rogers Clark High School girls basketball coach Bobbie Graham didn't quit talking about Bowling Green until the Lady Cardinals got the message loud and clear. "We've talked about Bowling Green since the first of the year, and since each Graham (look over at each)," Clark student Susan Skinner said Sunday. Following disappointing losses to Campbell County in its past two appearances in the 10th Region Tournament, Clark gave Graham

his wish after beating rival Montgomery County 56-46 in the title of the 10th Region Tournament Sunday at The Pavilion at Mason County High School. The Lady Cardinals (25-7) will pack up this week and head to the state tournament as one of 16 teams vying for an elusive state championship. Clark opens the five-day event against 15th Region winner Corbin at 2:30 p.m. Thursday. Graham, in his second season as coach of the Lady Cardinals, knows what it feels like to win a regional championship after serving as an assistant coach on the

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Lady Cards celebrate title

Bobbie Graham joins the celebration with the George Rogers Clark High School Lady Cardinals after winning his first 10th Regional championship as the team's head coach, above. The Lady Cards defeated the Montgomery County Lady Indians 56-46 at Mason County Sunday afternoon to advance to the Girls' State 16 Basketball Tournament in Bowling Green. The Lady Cards will play the winner of Region 13 at 1:30 p.m. Thursday. At left, George Rogers Clark High School Lady Cardinal point guard Lexus Graham celebrates the team's win from the shoulders of GRC fan Styler True. Betty Clark, right, silently questions a call during the game. Clark's niece, Paige Taylor, is a starter for the Lady Cardinals.

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WASHINGTON

Survey: Uninsured rate drops; health law cited

WASHINGTON (AP) — With just three weeks left to sign up under President Barack Obama's health care law, a unique survey tracking the insured finds that the uninsured rate keeps going down.

The Gallup Healthways Well Being Index, released today, found that 35.9 percent of U.S. adults are uninsured, the lowest since the survey began in 2003, down from 37.1 percent for the last three months — or calendar quarter — of

2013. That translates roughly to 1 million to 4 million people getting coverage. Gallup said the share of Americans

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Sports briefs

College Basketball EKU beats Bruins for NCAA berth

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Corey Walden scored 22 in a career-high 28 points in the second half to help Eastern Kentucky upset top-seeded Belmont 76-73 Saturday night for the Ohio Valley Conference tournament championship and an NCAA tournament berth.

The Colonels (24-8) won their seventh straight game in clinching their first OVC tournament title since 2007 and their eighth trip to the NCAA overall.

Glenn Coovs added 25 points for Eastern Kentucky. Tarrus Johnson had 15 before fouling out.

Belmont (24-9) missed out on adding its second consecutive tournament title, and the Bruins will miss the NCAA tournament for the first time in the past nine years and first since 2010.

J.J. Mann, the OVC player of the year, led Belmont with 18 points. Evan Reynolds and Drew Winder each added 14, and Boere Chanlerlin had 11.

Kentucky never trailed, and Belmont led it only twice with the last time at 54. The Colonels scored the next eight points.

NASCAR Keselowski sweeps Las Vegas races

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Brad Keselowski swept ahead on the final lap when Dale Earnhardt Jr. ran out of fuel, claiming a dramatic victory Sunday in the NASCAR race at Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

Keselowski swept a weekend's races for the first time in his career with his first Cup victory at Las Vegas. He also won Saturday's Nationwide Series race.

Keselowski capitalized when Earnhardt's fuel gauge failed. The 2012 Sprint Cup champion earned a spot in the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship after missing it entirely last season.

Earnhardt was just a few inches off fuel shy of earning his second victory in three races to start the season. He also finished second last week at Phoenix.

Paul Menard finished third in front of Keselowski's teammate, pole-sitter Joey Logano. Carl Edwards was fifth.

PGA Reed takes Cadillac crown

DORAL, Fla. (AP) — Patrick Reed won the Cadillac Championship for this third PGA Tour title in seven months, and this was a big one.

Dressed in a red shirt he always wears on Sunday — with Tiger Woods in the group ahead of him — Reed made back-to-back birdies on Nos. 3 and 4 at Doral to pull away early. He played the 18th conservatively and made bogey for an even-par 72 and a one-shot victory over Bubba Watson and Jamie Donaldson of Wales.

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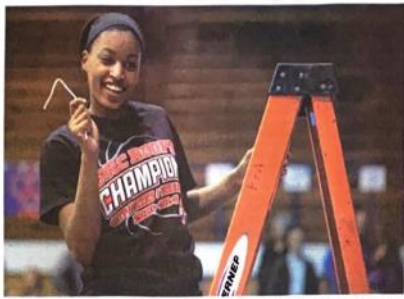
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10th Region tournament



Clark senior Lexus Graham is all smiles after cutting her piece of the pie after the Lady Cardinals defeated Montgomery County 56-46 to win the 10th Region championship Sunday at the Fellowship in Mayville. Clark takes on Corbin at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in the opening round of the girls Sweet Sixteen at E.A. Diddle Arena in Bowling Green.

Lady Cards 'D2B' Defeat Indians for title

By Keith Taylor
The Winchester Sun

MAYSVILLE — The last time the George Rogers Clark girls basketball team went to Bowling Green, they traveled through Mayville to get there. Four years later, the Lady Cardinals took the same path to the state tournament Sunday at the Fellowship.

Clark punched its ticket to the big stage with a 66-46 win over three-time defending champion Montgomery County Sunday for the school's first state tournament berth in four years. The Lady Cardinals defeated the Lady Indians 48-35 to win the region title in 2010.

"This has been our goal from Day 1," Clark coach Robbie Graham said. "We had a goal and we weren't going to let anyone keep us from (reaching) that goal."

Clark (25-7) took two of three games from the Lady Indians (15-15) in the three previous games between the two foes, including a 63-51 victory in the 6th District finals on Feb. 26 at the MCHS Arena in Mount Sterling.

"(Montgomery County) has dominated this region for so many years and they weren't going to go away (easily)," Graham said. "We knew that and they didn't go away easy today. We knew we had to battle and play away. It was a tremendous effort by our girls."

With a state tournament berth in hand, the Lady Cardinals will take a day off before preparing to play 19th Region champion Corbin at 2:30 p.m. Thursday at E.A. Diddle Arena in Bowling Green.

"This is the best feeling in the world," Sydney



Clark senior Muddie Hamlin battles for a rebound in a 56-46 win over Montgomery County in the finals of the 10th Region Tournament Sunday in Mayville.



Clark players celebrate after the Lady Cardinals beat Montgomery County 56-46 to win the school's first 10th Region title in four years.

Wildcats limping into SEC tourney

GAINESSVILLE, Fla. (AP) — No. 25 Kentucky is limping into the Southeastern Conference tournament.

Maybe even literally for one Wildcats star freshman.

John Beasley had 16 points and 10 rebounds, many of them after injuring his right knee in the first half, but it wasn't even close to being enough in an 84-65 loss at top-ranked Florida on Saturday.

The Wildcats (22-12, 12-6 SEC) have dropped three of four to slow the regular season, and the latest one was the program's largest margin of defeat in series history.

"We got to get this thing going," said Beasley, who had led the 19th district nine and seventh in the last eight games. "Every game is important to build our confidence and chemistry. The guys in the locker room, we all still believe. But there's a point where we have to put it into action. I still think we will."

James Young added 14 points, and Aaron Harrison chipped in 11 for Kentucky.

The team's biggest issue was on the defensive end, where it allowed Florida to shoot 60 percent from the field and 69 percent from the 3-point line.

The Gators (25-2, 18-0) became the first SEC team to go 18-0 in league play. Kentucky went 16-0 three times (1996, 2003, 2012), but never managed to stay perfect when the conference played an 18 game league slate.

"There's just a lot of pieces that we're missing," Beasley said. "It's a great team."

With Florida's ranking, the win for our writers, history at stake and Kentucky in town, it was the

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One point separates Vols, Cats

DELIGHT, Ga. (AP) — Kentucky's fourth SEC tournament championship appearance in the last five years produced its fourth loss.

"What was missing?" Just one point, according to Kentucky coach Matthew Mitchell.

Michigan State scored 17 points, including two go-ahead free throws with 1:45 remaining, and No. 4 Tennessee edged 12th-ranked Kentucky 71-70 on Sunday to win its 17th SEC tournament title.

Kentucky (24-8) has become a consistent championship contender in the SEC, but it still hasn't won the tournament since 1962.

"I don't know that anything was missing today other than they came up one point better than us," Mitchell said when asked what it would take to get the Wildcats over the hump.

"I can't tell you how much respect I have for this tournament. It's real special to all of us at Kentucky. Our players wanted to win it. I don't know what was missing. I don't look like a let. We just came up one point short today."

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Anderson said. "Just to know that we deserved this and we got it."

In a game that didn't feature a traditional dramatic finish, Lexus Graham sank three 3-pointers and led the Lady Cardinals with 16 points. Anderson and Sydney Rogers followed with 11 points each.

The Lady Cards scored the first five points before Montgomery County tallied seven straight for a 7-5 advantage. It was all Clark for the remainder of the first half. The Lady Cards scored seven in a row to close out the first quarter and nine straight to open the second frame for a 21-7 advantage.

During Clark's 16th scoring spree, Montgomery failed to score, getting 0-5 without a field goal. Despite the drought, the Lady Indians answered the Lady Cardinals 10-3 during the final three minutes of the first half and trailed 26-17 at the break.

"We've played focused, we talked on defense and played defense," Lexus Graham said. "That's what we've done all season."

Lexus Graham came up big for Clark in the first two quarters with three 3-pointers, including a clutch key in the closing minutes of the first half after Montgomery made a late run to end the half.

Graham led Clark with nine points in the first half.

Brian Rogers, Caitlin Cooper and Sarah Arzet paced the Lady Indians with the points apiece in the first two quarters. Montgomery made just six field goals and shot 25 percent in the first half, while the Lady Cardinals were successful on 33 percent of their attempts from the field in the first two quarters.

In the third quarter Clark outscored Montgomery 13-3 and led 39-29 going into the fourth quarter and cruised to victory the remainder of the way.

"We were very focused and ready to go," Robbie Graham said.

Rogers led the Lady Indians with 14 points.



Clark's Page Taylor, top photo, battles Montgomery County's Caitlin Cooper for the ball during the finals of the 10th Region Tournament Sunday at the Fellowship in Mayville. The Lady Cards defeated the Lady Indians 48-35 for their first region title in four years. At bottom left, Sydney Rogers battles in the post for a rebound, while teammate Sydney Anderson, bottom right, launches a 3-point shot from the corner. The Lady Cardinals will play Corbin in the first round of the girls Sweet Sixteen at 2:30 p.m. Thursday at E.A. Diddle Arena in Bowling Green.

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CLARK COUNTY vs CORBIN
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CLARK COUNTY 79 • 26-7

##	Player	f	Total			3-Ptr			Rebounds			PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG-FGA	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	FG-FGA	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot							
21	Anderson, Sydney	f	5-11	2-5	2-5	2	2	4	1	14	0	5	1	1	27			
23	Skinner, Sandra	f	9-11	0-0	7-8	1	6	7	3	25	4	4	2	0	29			
13	Hamlin, Maddie	c	3-5	0-0	2-4	3	4	7	3	8	0	3	2	2	25			
11	Taylor, Paige	g	3-6	2-4	4-4	0	2	2	3	12	3	3	0	0	31			
22	Graham, Lexxus	g	4-7	4-6	2-2	0	4	4	3	14	6	3	0	2	28			
02	Welsh, Lauren		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0+			
03	Gilkerson, Shelby		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0+			
04	Williams, Kaytlynn		2-2	2-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	10			
12	Terrel, Megan		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	8				
20	Kindred, Micah		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0+				
24	Bell, Maleaha		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0+				
33	Hardiman, Elizabeth		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2				
Team						0	2	2			1							
Totals			26-42	10-17	17-23	6	20	26	13	79	14	20	5	9	160			

FG % 1st Half: 13-22 59.1% 2nd half: 13-20 65.0% Game: 26-42 61.9% Deadball Rebounds 3,1
 3FG % 1st Half: 4-7 57.1% 2nd half: 6-10 60.0% Game: 10-17 58.8%
 FT % 1st Half: 6-8 75.0% 2nd half: 11-15 73.3% Game: 17-23 73.9%

CORBIN 70 • 26-8

##	Player	f	Total			3-Ptr			Rebounds			PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG-FGA	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	FG-FGA	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot							
21	Ashley, Sarah	f	0-5	0-0	0-0	2	2	4	5	0	1	3	0	0	24			
42	Gallagher, Natalye	c	3-5	0-0	2-2	4	3	7	2	8	0	0	0	1	18			
05	Ashurst, Brooklyn	g	4-4	1-1	1-1	0	0	0	10	0	2	0	0	20				
12	Wilson, Miranda	g	11-21	4-7	3-3	0	1	1	5	29	4	5	0	30				
24	Wilson, Kayla	g	3-11	0-4	0-0	0	2	2	4	6	6	6	0	31				
03	Blackburn, Meghann		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	6				
04	Jewell, Jaclyn		4-7	2-4	3-3	0	1	1	2	13	0	0	0	17				
10	Logan, Rachel		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0+				
15	Philpot, Morgan		2-3	0-0	0-0	1	1	2	1	4	0	0	0	6				
22	Waddle, Kaitlyn		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	8				
23	Gulley, Candice		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0+				
30	Baker, Tori		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0+				
34	Ashurst, Kameryn		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0+				
35	Schafer, Molly		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0+				
Team						1	1	2										
Totals			27-56	7-16	9-9	8	12	20	22	70	11	17	0	13	160			

FG % 1st Half: 11-27 40.7% 2nd half: 16-29 55.2% Game: 27-56 48.2% Deadball Rebounds 0,1
 3FG % 1st Half: 3-6 50.0% 2nd half: 4-10 40.0% Game: 7-16 43.8%
 FT % 1st Half: 5-5 100.0 2nd half: 4-4 100.0 Game: 9-9 100.0

Officials: Chris Bumps, Jason Reineke, Michael Pangallo
 Technical fouls: CLARK COUNTY-None. CORBIN-None.
 Attendance: 3993
 Alt-Scott Vaughn

Score by periods	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
CLARK COUNTY	18	18	21	22	79
CORBIN	15	15	16	24	70

	In Point	Off T/O	2nd Chance	Fast Break	Bench
Points	30	22	12	4	6
GRC	30	22	12	4	6
CORBIN	32	17	8	4	17

Last FG - GRC 4th-03:12, CORBIN 4th-00:25.
 Largest lead - GRC by 14 3rd-02:12, CORBIN by 2 1st-07:06.

Score tied - 2 times.
 Lead changed - 5 times.

FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 2014

SPORTS



Party at Memorial Coliseum

The UK women's basketball team is throwing an NCAA Tournament Selection Show party at 7 p.m. Monday in Memorial Coliseum. Visit Jennifer Smith's UK women's basketball blog to read all the details. ukwomens.blogspot.com

LEXINGTON HERALD-LEADER

SECTION B



Clark County's Lexus Graham (22) drove past Corbin's Brooklyn Ashurst (15) Thursday in the Girls' Sweet Sixteen in Bowling Green, Graham, the daughter of Cardinals Coach Robbie Graham, hit four three-pointers while scoring 31 points.

LSU's Hickey relishes a UK rematch

KENTUCKIAN WON'T CALL IT REVENGE

By Jerry Tipson
tipson@herald-leader.com
ATLANTA — After Kentucky beat LSU in overtime last month, Anthony Hickey stood in a tunnel area outside the Bumpy Arena court and made a wish. He asked — in quiet, measured tones — for another chance to play the Cats this season.
 "I'm glad things worked out for us," Hickey said after LSU beat Alabama 66-56 Thursday night in the Southeastern Conference Tournament. Again, Hickey spoke matter-of-factly, but with noticeable restraint, about the Tigers advancing to a quarterfinal game against Kentucky Friday night.
 But teammate Johnny O'Bryant III betrayed Hickey.

FRIDAY
Kentucky vs. LSU
 What: Southeastern Conference tournament quarterfinals
Where: Georgia Dome in Atlanta
When: 7 p.m. | TV: WMV1-27
Records: Kentucky 22-3, LSU 10-12
Series: Kentucky leads 94-35
Last meeting: Kentucky won 77-75 in overtime on Feb. 22 in Lexington.

John Clay's best shot during the game.
 The little man from Hopkinsville will bring passionate willpower against UK.
 "Oh man, it means a lot," O'Bryant said of Hickey's feelings. "He said Kentucky didn't even say a word to him. He definitely probably won't call it revenge."
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GIRLS' SWEET SIXTEEN

CLARK COUNTY 79, CORBIN 70

GIRLS' SWEET SIXTEEN

Cards pound Hounds by unleashing threes

TEN FROM OUTSIDE COMPLEMENT INSIDE GAME, PUSH CLARK TO QUARTERFINALS

By Mark Maloney
maloney@herald-leader.com
Clark County's modest offense is more inside than outside.
 But Thursday the Cardinals fired bombs away on route to a 79-70 victory over

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strong in the second half, pulling to within three (48-45) late in the third quarter.

Even now, the lead, though, and used an 8-0 run early in the fourth quarter to stretch the lead to 64-52. The lead was never less than eight after that.
 "We defended really well. We were very active," Mauld said. "The second half, I know we weren't as active defensively. And then they played with a sense of urgency. Their season was on the line and they made a run. I'm so impressed with my kids' composure."
 The Panthers finished 27 of 48 (56.3 percent) from the field and converted 19 of 28 free throws. They out-rebounded the Valleyites 33-23.
Marshall Co. 54, Perry Co. Central 38: The Lady Mams made five of nine three-pointers, won the rebounding battle 30-18 and kept six white Riley (16-16) points and five in the fourth quarter. "I'm not happy about that," Van Treese said. "I thought we was throwing it to me, and I didn't even see Montreal and he just dunked



Clark County's Sandra Skinner shot over Corbin's Natalya Gallagher on Thursday. Skinner, one of the Cardinals' inside threats, scored 25 points on 9-for-11 shooting from the field and 7-for-8 accuracy at the free-throw line.

GIRLS' SWEET SIXTEEN

At E.A. Diddle Arena in Bowling Green (All times Eastern)

Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday semifinals	Sunday's finals
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LOUISVILLE 92, RUTGERS 31

'Everything went really well' for Cards

By Teresa M. Walker
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MEMPHIS — The fifth-ranked Louisville Cardinals had everything working so well against Rutgers that even a near mistake turned into an amazing play.
 Stephen Van Treese went up for a lob pass looking for a dunk only to have Montreal Harrell fly in and slam the ball through.
 "I'm not happy about that," Van Treese said. "I thought we was throwing it to me, and I didn't even see Montreal and he just dunked

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No. 5 Louisville vs. Houston
What: American Athletic Conference tournament semifinal
Where: FedEx Forum in Memphis, Tenn.
When: 7 p.m. | TV: ESPN2
Records: Louisville 27-3, Houston 19-15
Series: Louisville leads 15-7
Last meeting: Louisville won 77-52 on Feb. 5 in Houston.

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"We were hoping they would have to double," Graham said. "Then when they started doubling our post, (we) would kick it out to the shooters and we'd get some uncontested, wide-open threes."
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the fourth quarter amounted to mop-up time, the outcome no longer in doubt.
Elizabethton 76, Sacred Heart 61: All five Lady Panther starters scored in double digits.
 Kevona Cleaver led E-town (30-4) with 20 points, five rebounds and four steals. Erin Boley added 19 points and 11 rebounds. There came Rachel Warden with 12 points and Livie Bowling with 11, each getting five assists. Darcia Huff scored 10 points.
 Dan Ruffin paired Sacred Heart (27-3) with 18 points and 10 rebounds. Raven Meriwether added 16 points and Getchell Samuel had 12.
 Krown made its first two on field-goal attempts. When it finally missed, they were there for a post-back.
 The Lady Panthers led 31-24 at halftime, getting 13 points each from Boley and Cleaver.
 "I thought the first half was probably one of the better halves that we've played this year," Coach Tim Mauld said. "I thought our execution was good. We took what they give us."
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Sports briefs

Baseball

Braves signs endorsement deal

Braves outfielder Ryan Braun agreed to an endorsement deal with baseball bat and apparel company LLC — his first since his suspension last year for violating Major League Baseball's anti-drug agreement.

Terms of the deal with the company based in Orlando, Fla., were not disclosed. ESPN.com first reported the agreement.

Company president Marty (Braun) said the agreement wasn't about the past, but focused on the future. He said the firm has done its research and strongly believes in Braun as an athlete.

Pro Basketball

Bryant done for season

EL SEGUINDO, Calif. (AP) — Kobe Bryant won't be back on the court for the Los Angeles Lakers this season.

Bryant expressed only mild frustration Wednesday after the official announcement of the long-expected decision to shut him down for the year. Bryant's broken knee in his left knee still hasn't healed enough for weight-bearing exercises.

With just five weeks left in his miserable season, the Lakers elected to preserve their superstar guard for next year, when he'll be 36.

The Lakers' mid-level competitor can't take much more inexperience from his 16-time NBA champion franchise.

"I feel like killing everybody every time I go to the arena," Bryant said. "I'm just on edge all the time. Yeah, I still feel it, probably more than anybody in the organization does. I probably feel it more, and it drives me absolutely crazy."

Pro Football

DeVries signs with Dallas Cowboys

Pass rusher DeMarco Ware got a \$30 million, three-year contract from the Dallas Cowboys on Wednesday, less than 24 hours after being released by the Dallas Cowboys.

Ware kept quiet about the nature of Day 1 of free agency. Day 2 did include the Buccaneers releasing cornerback Danielle Strain after failing to trade him; wide receiver Eric Decker bolting Denver to sign with the New York Jets; receiver Golden Tate leaving the Super Bowl champion Seahawks to play alongside All-Pro Calvin Johnson with the Lions; and the Browns cutting two quarterbacks, Brandon Weeden and Jason Campbell.

The Browns move saved the team a \$1.5 million bonus that would have been due if he remained on the roster with his \$10 million salary. It also freed up space under the cap for a continuing roster overhaul under new coach Leslie Smith and general manager Jason Licht.

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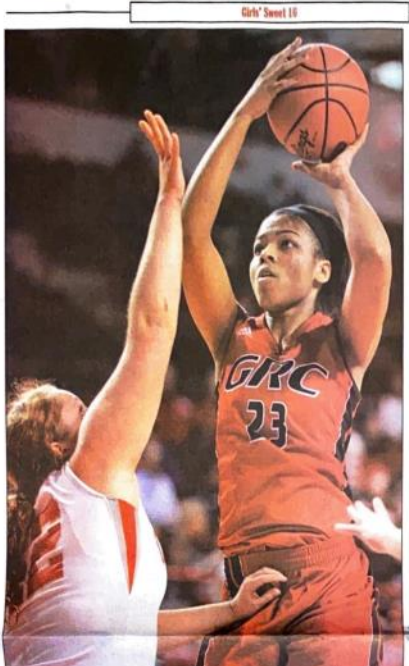
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George Rogers Clark's Sandra Skinner shoots past Corbin's Natalie Gallagher during their game in the first round of the Houschens Indoor/NKSA Girls' Sweet 16 at E.A. Diddle Arena in Bowling Green Thursday.

GRC tops 'Hounds'

Lady Cardinals advance with 79-70 win over Corbin

By Keith Taylor
The Winchester Sun

BOWLING GREEN — Once the George Rogers Clark High School girls basketball team got past the jitters, the Lady Cardinals led at ease in the opening round of the NKSA Girls' Sweet 16 Thursday at E.A. Diddle Arena.

The Lady Cardinals (26-7), making their first appearance in four years, advanced to the quarterfinals with a 79-70 win over Corbin. Clark overcame 20 turnovers by shooting 61.9 percent from the field, including a 68 percent clip from 3-point range.

"We've got some shooters," Clark coach Bobbie Graham said. "That's one of the things they're coming against."

Clark plays Marshall County at 7:30 p.m. today in the quarterfinals. The Lady Cardinals advanced with a 54-38 win over Perry County Central in the first game of the morning session Tuesday.

Although Clark had a decisive size advantage, the Lady Cardinals got the best of their game.

"My grandfather (watched me) last year and he was sick (and) he wanted to see me play," Lexus said. "It (their memory) is something because me and my grandfather, we were really close. She was stubborn as all get out in the way and independent. She would really raise me when I was young when my parents worked. She taught me how to tie my shoes, cook."

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Grahams honoring family

By Keith Taylor
The Winchester Sun

BOWLING GREEN — Lexus Graham has been living the dream.

Graham, daughter of George Rogers Clark High School girls basketball coach Bobbie Graham, achieved an item on her bucket list when the Lady Cardinals took on Corbin in the opening round of the NKSA Girls' Sweet Sixteen Thursday at E.A. Diddle Arena.

In her state debut, Graham scored 11 points and helped lead the Lady Cardinals to a 79-70 victory over the Lady Hounds to reach the state quarterfinals. Graham made four 3-pointers, dished out six assists and a pair of steals.

Although playing the state tournament in a dream arena for Lexus, it became a reality Thursday and she couldn't help thinking of her grandparents, the late Bert and Emma Boyd.

"Every game I play, I'm dedicating it to them," Lexus said. "They've always wanted me to achieve my goals and I know they (were) looking down on me watching me play ball at state."

The team's accomplishments this season has helped the Grahams enjoy with the love of both family members. Clark's path to Bowling Green included two wins over rival Montgomery County. The Lady Cardinals defeated the Lady Mustangs 65-51 Saturday in the first round of the 10th Region title in four years last Sunday in Mayfield.

Lexus has gone through a rough year, Bobbie said. "Seeing her grandfather and her grandmother. This has been a very good thing to help our family heal some wounds with the loss of my mother-in-law and father-in-law. It's just been special."

Lexus was close to her grandparents. Bert attended several games last season, while Emma helped create a path for Lexus during her childhood.

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Cats confident heading into SEC tourney

LEXINGTON — For a team that lost three of its past four regular-season games, Kentucky is confident going into the Southeastern Conference Tournament.

Despite the late tumble, the Wildcats (23-9) finished second in the league standings and received a first-round bye. Kentucky will play LSU (23-9) in its home in Lexington, Ky., on Saturday.

Kentucky split two games with LSU, losing 87-82 in Baton Rouge before rallying for a 77-70 overtime win over the Tigers on Feb. 22 in Lexington. Kentucky defeated Alabama, 55-48 at home on March 4. The Wildcats closed out the regular season with an 84-65 loss to top-ranked Florida last Saturday in Gainesville.

The team's postseason enthusiasm centers around a "break" in the team's offense that has the Wildcats feeling good about their chances of producing a solid showing in the conference tournament. A good run in the five-day event could bolster Kentucky's NCAA Tournament resume and improve the team's seeding status when bids are handed out Sunday. Kentucky has been mentioned as a possible first or nine seed.

"You'll see a different team when you watch Friday," Calipari said. "Everybody is pumped up about it. Like I said, everyone's confidence is up there too so we should be playing really well."

Calipari said the change in the offensive scheme helped change the team's confidence.

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according from the perimeter. Clark drained 10 3-pointers, with senior Lexus Graham connecting on four of those shots from long range. Despite the success from behind the arc, the Lady Cards turned to Sandra Skinner in the clutch.

The Clark junior forward scored 11 points in the final eight minutes to hold off a late surge by the Lady Hounds.

"It's a great feeling," Skinner said. "Lexus has been here before and I'm looking forward to the next game."

Clark senior full court guard Lexus Graham said the Lady Cardinals' emphasis on Skinner in the post game Clark opens looks on the perimeter of the Lady Cards stayed up to get the rebound.

Corbin coach Jason McDaniel praised Clark's effort despite the loss that ended his team's season.

"Clark County (has) a very nice team," he said. "They shot the ball exceptionally well. I give them a lot of credit. They made a lot of shots when they needed to. They've got a very nice team."

Skinner was named National Guard Player of the Game with 25 points. Skinner was 9 of 11 from the field and made seven shots on eight attempts from the free throw line. Skinner grabbed seven rebounds, dished out four assists and had two blocks.

Sydney Anderson also played a role down the stretch with seven points. Anderson drained a trey and had two assists and three 3-pointers remaining game the Lady Cards a double-digit lead. Anderson and Graham finished with 14 points each. Paige Taylor rounded out four players in double figures with 12 points.

Taylor gave the Lady Cardinals a boost in the first half with 10 points. She scored five of those in a 7-0 Clark run that gave the Lady Cardinals a 16-10 lead with 32 seconds remaining in the first quarter.

Taylor finished with nine points in the first half, followed by Madeline Rankin and Sandra Skinner with eight points each.

After a Corbin bucket by Brooklyn Clark to open the second quarter made the score 18-17, Clark got control and stretched the lead to double digits. The Lady Cardinals responded to the Lady Cardinals' surge with a 14-run for a 32-11 lead with three minutes remaining in the first half.

Despite the deficit, the Lady Hounds scored off the last eight points of the half, trimming Clark's lead to 36-30 at the break.

Miranda Wilson led the Lady Hounds with nine points in the first half.

Corbin pulled to within four points in the first three minutes of the first half but Clark sank five shots from long range, including two by Graham to create spacing between the two teams. The Lady Cards led 32-46 going into the final eight minutes, a margin that proved to be enough to hold off the Lady Hounds.

"We told the girls that no lead was ever going to be safe," Bobbie Graham said. "They only play one speed and they're going to play 110 miles per hour. They're some incredible athletes during the course of the game. Definitely, they're tough to guard."

"We had to dig in, nothing fancy, no miracle words and nothing on the chalk board. We had to dig in and guard."

Wilson led all scorers with 23 points.

Clark 18 32 21 79 — 79
Corbin 15 15 12 54 — 70
CLARK (26-7) — Anderson 14, Skinner 25, Rankin 8, Taylor 12, Graham 14, Williams 6, CORBIN (26-8) — Gallagher 8, Ashburn 10, Wilson 23, K. Wilson 6, Jewell 13, Phipps 4.

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write and everything."

In addition to dedicating her season in memory of her late grandparents, Lexus has enjoyed achieving the team's goals with her dad on the sidelines. In describing the feeling, Bobbie said, "She's a special young lady and she's a terrific daughter. As a daughter she's special, as a player she's special and for me to be able to share these moments with her, I just can't describe it. It's just a blessing from God, the feeling overwhelms me and I just get very emotional, just thinking about it and talking about it. It's special for our family."

After Clark won the region title nearly a week ago, Lexus and Bobbie and the rest of the family have relived the moment on a daily basis.

"I just keep telling my dad that we finally did it," she said. "Every time we talk about it, it brings tears to both of our eyes. My mom (Deanna Graham) cries, too. My little brother is excited and my sister, is excited too. After we win (the region), she ran to me and said, 'We're going to Diddle!'"

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George Rogers Clark's Lexus Graham drives past Corbin's Brooklyn Ashburn the first round of the Houschens Indoor/NKSA Girls' Sweet 16 at E.A. Diddle Arena in Bowling Green Thursday.

Marshall County uses hot shooting to advance



Marshall County's Toni Fehrenbacher, right, shoots past Perry County Central's Peri Coats and Kayla Rankin during a first round game Thursday, top photo. Marshall County's Bailey Greer, left, drives past Perry County Central's Whitney Evans during the NKSA Girls' Sweet 16 in Bowling Green, below photo.

By Zach Greenwell
The Daily News

Marshall County had no film of Perry County Central this season to watch and prepare for Thursday's state tournament game.

But because of emailed scouting reports, old game film and some past, old basketball games seen, the Lady Marshals knew they had to flank Perry County senior center Kayla Rankin.

Marshall County (21-6) frustrated the Miss Basketball final all game long and used a hot shooting (Clark) in the first half to earn a 54-38 win in the first round of the Houschens Indoor/NKSA Girls' Sweet 16 at E.A. Diddle Arena.

"We wanted to make sure we had two people around her all times," Marshall County coach Joseph Simmons said. "We wanted to make contact with her when she cut across the lane. We wanted to limit her touches... To hold her to 11 — she's a Division 1 player and Miss Basketball nominee — I don't know that many teams can do that."

The 6-foot Rankin, one of the state's top unsigned seniors, came into the game averaging 28 points and 14.5 rebounds.

She had just the points and two rebounds at halftime Thursday and finished her prep career with a team-high 11 points, eight rebounds and three steals. Marshall County consistently double-teamed her and made good use of its two starting points standing 5-free-11 inches or taller.

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how they thought and that's what we're trying to do."

Although the Wildcats are confident, Calipari isn't sure how his team will react in times of adversity with their backs to the wall. Throughout the season, early midseason pressure could result in the form of two losses to Arkansas and an embarrassing loss at South Carolina.

"The issue becomes for us, when adversity hits, how do we respond? Do we come together? And what we're looking for is, they make it, they back a shot, we miss two free throws or three, we turn it over in the zone and you see a team that just comes together."

Calipari believes the break in offense could affect how the Wildcats respond to adversity on both ends of the court.

"I hope all that we're doing (curries) over and I believe that it will, the Kentucky coach said."

Young has every reason to believe the Wildcats will succeed.

"We are either going to play or lay down," Young said. "We're going to come in and play. We're going to play physical, communicate. Our confidence level is up right now. We should be ready to go."

GIRLS' SWEET 16 BASKETBALL

MARSHALL COUNTY 54, PERRY COUNTY CENTRAL 38



Marshall County's Bailey Greer drives on Perry County Central's Whitney Evans in the Lady Marshals' first-round 54-38 win Thursday in the Girls' Sweet 16. PHOTOS BY ALEX SUTZTHER DAILY NEWS VIA AP

Lady Marshals corral Rankin, convert threes

Limit star who hurt them 2 years ago

By Jason Frakes
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BOWLING GREEN, Ky. — After winning the First Region championship Monday, Marshall County High School girls' basketball coach Joseph Simmons had little time to gather film on first-round Sweet 16 opponent Perry County Central.

So he showed his team film of Marshall County's 17-point loss to Perry County Central two seasons ago, when Lady Commodores star Kayla Rankin — then a sophomore — posted 25 points and 23 rebounds.

"Coaches don't forget those numbers," Simmons said.

Marshall County limited Rankin's impact in Thursday's rematch, holding her to 11 points and eight rebounds — a big factor in the Lady Marshals' 54-38 victory in the first round of the Houchens Industries/KHSAA Sweet 16 at E.A. Diddle Arena.

Rankin, among seven finalists for Kentucky's Miss Basketball award, entered the game averaging 28.4 points and 14.5 rebounds.

"We wanted to make sure we had two people around her at all times," Simmons said. "We wanted to make contact with her when she cut across the



Kayla Rankin of the Lady Commodores draws coverage from Marshall County's Allie York.

lane. We wanted to limit her touches, and we wanted to force her out on the perimeter a little bit more."

Bailey Greer had 20 points and four steals and Allie York added 16 points and nine rebounds as Marshall County (31-5) advanced to face Clark County in today's 7:30 p.m. EDT quarterfinal.

York hit two 3-pointers and Greer hit another as the Lady Marshals shot 5 for 7 from behind the arc in building a 30-16 halftime lead.

Marshall County entered the game shooting 26 percent from 3-point range.

"I'm sure the people they talked to from our region said, 'Let them shoot,'" Simmons said. "I'm a stats guy, and if I looked at our stats I'd say, 'Guard us and let us shoot the 3.'"

Perry County Central coach Randy Napier said that was, indeed, the plan.

"Sometimes you guess wrong," he said. "We felt like we matched up better if we made them make shots from outside. Unfortunately for us, they made them."

Rankin's tip-in with 1:06 left in the third quarter pulled the Lady Commodores (23-7) within 35-25, but that's as close as they could get.

Rankin said Marshall County's size — with three players 5 feet 10 or taller — was a big factor. "It affected me a lot because I'm not used to seeing that many tall people," she said.

Added Napier: "They made her work for everything, and she had a hard time getting her normal looks. I think their size and the number of big kids they threw at her had something to do with that."

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Marshall County	14	16	7	17	54
Perry County Central	8	9	9	13	38
Marshall County (13):	York 16, Mackley 7, Bernard 1, Greer 20, Fortenbacher 4, Ross 4, Langley 2.				
Perry County Central (23-7):	Corbin 3, Coe 8, Rankin 11, Coxe 4, Goshorn 6, Gray 4, Corbett 5.				
3-point goals:	York 2, Mackley, Greer, Ross, Corbin, Goshorn.				

CLARK COUNTY 79, CORBIN 70

Lady Cards find the range

Score from inside and beyond the arc

By Steve Jones
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The Courier-Journal

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. — The Clark County girls' basketball team shot 3-pointers with near-record success, and junior forward Sandra Skinner rarely missed in the paint. It was outside-inside excellence that sent the Lady Cardinals to the quarterfinals of the Houchens Industries/KHSAA Sweet 16.

Skinner had 25 points and seven rebounds, and her teammates shot 10 of 17 from 3-point range — tying for the second-most made threes ever in a state tournament game — in a 79-70 win over Corbin in the first round at E.A. Diddle Arena.

Clark County (25-8) advanced to face Marshall County, which beat Perry County Central 54-38, at 7:30 p.m. EDT today.

"We want to pound the ball inside to Sandra and Maddie (Hamlin)," Clark County coach Robbie Graham said. "We feel like we have an advantage on a lot of teams with our post players. ... We were hoping ... when they started doubling our posts, that there would be kick-outs to our shooters (to) get some wide-open threes."

Clark County, champion of the 10th Region, shot 61.9 percent (26 of 42 from the floor) and fell just one 3-point shy of tying the state tournament record of 11 made by Clinton County against Lexington Catholic in 2005.

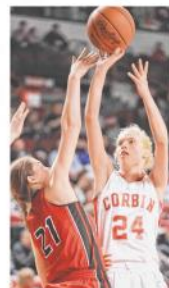
"We've got some shooters," Graham said.

Lexus Graham, who made four threes, and Sydney Anderson, who hit two, each added 14 points for Clark County. Graham, the coach's daughter, also had six assists.

Hamlin had eight points and seven rebounds.

Corbin (26-8), the back-to-back champion of the 13th Region, had a good shooting day, too, making 48.2 percent overall and 7 of 16 from 3-point range. Corbin hung around by forcing 20 Clark turnovers, including 13 off steals.

Senior guard Miranda Wilson had a huge game — 29 points, four assists and six steals — to lead the Lady



Clark County's Sydney Anderson shoots over Corbin's Kayla Wilson on Thursday. PHOTOS BY ALEX SUTZTHER DAILY NEWS VIA AP

Redhounds. Her identical twin, Kayla, had six points, six assists and four steals. Both have signed with St. Catherine College.

"Clark County is a very nice team with their size, and Skinner is a very good post player," Corbin coach Jason McDaniel said. "They shot the ball exceptionally well. In the film I reviewed, they didn't shoot the ball that well, but that's what happens when you come up here."

Clark County, which led 36-30 at halftime, made five threes in the third quarter to take a 57-44 lead late in the period.

Skinner, who is a recruiting target for multiple Ohio Valley Conference and other mid-major colleges, scored 11 points in the fourth quarter, including 6 of 7 at the foul line, to seal it. She finished 9 of 11 from the field and passed well out of the post, with four assists.

"We kind of know what she's got, but it's probably an opportunity to let the rest of the state (see), (to) play in front of them and showcase her skills," Robbie Graham said.

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Clark County	18	10	21	22	79
Corbin	15	15	16	24	70
Clark County (25-8):	Anderson 14, Skinner 25, Hamlin 14, Taylor 12, Graham 14, Williams 6.				
Corbin (26-8):	Gallagher 8, Johnson 10, M. Wilson 29, Wilson 6, Jewell 11, Pilgrat 4.				
3-point goals:	Anderson 2, Taylor 7, Graham 4, Williams 2, Johnson 14, Wilson 6, Jewell 2.				

LATE WEDNESDAY

Lafayette beats Glasgow with torrid start

No. 3 Generals will face No. 2 Butler next

By Steve Jones
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The Courier-Journal

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. — Freshman Kiara Pankins had 18 points and the Lafayette High girls' basketball team used a quick start to defeat Glasgow 61-47 in the first round of the Houchens Industries/KHSAA Sweet 16 at E.A. Diddle Arena.

Lafayette won in its first Sweet 16 appearance since 1984 and came out ready after a pre-game pep talk from former Generals' All-State player Lea Wise Prewitt, who played on the school's 1979 state runner-up team.

She told the team, "You've got to want it more than anyone else." Lafayette coach Allison Denton said, and was "talking basically about being tough and hard-nosed. And she was very proud of them."

Lafayette (28-3), No. 3 in The Courier-Journal's Likelihood Ratings, advanced to face No. 2 Butler at 2:30 p.m. EDT today in what should be a high-level quarterfinal.

No. 10 Glasgow (29-7), the champion of the Fourth Region,



Lafayette's Dee Givens steals the ball from Glasgow's Ashley Smith at E.A. Diddle Arena in Bowling Green. PHOTOS BY ALEX SUTZTHER DAILY NEWS VIA AP

had its state-best 18-game winning streak snapped.

The Lady Scotties, whose school is a 40-minute drive from Diddle Arena, had a big crowd on hand, but it was the Generals who started fast.

Lafayette took a 15-5 lead after just five minutes. The Generals started by hitting 13 of 20

from the floor as the lead grew to 35-18 midway through the second period.

"I think part of it was their focus, and part of it was the adrenaline," Denton said. "They had no fear."

Lafayette, which prides itself on the balance of its starting five, also got 15 points from

Kenyale Demus, nine points from Ashanti Thomas and seven from Sarah Cooley.

Pankins finished 4 of 10 from the floor and 9 of 10 at the foul line.

"I've heard that all season long. 'She's just a freshman,'" she said. But "I've been playing varsity since seventh grade, so I

feel like I have the experience."

Sophomore Breanna Glover had 20 points, seven rebounds and five blocked shots to lead Glasgow, which was trying to become the first All "A" Classic champion since Lexington Christian in 2007 to also win the Sweet 16.

Western Kentucky signee Shaika Smith, playing on her future home court, had 16 points and eight rebounds in her final high school game and battled early foul trouble.

Glasgow coach Justin Stinson heaped praise on his team in an emotional postgame news conference.

Afterward, some of the Glasgow players walked to the back of the Diddle media room to collect a dollar bill that they had tacked on the wall on the first day of practice this season and planned to retrieve when they made it back to the state tournament.

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Glasgow	11	10	21	27	69
Lafayette	22	14	7	18	61
Glasgow (29-7):	Smith 16, Alexander 7, Barley 6, Glover 20, Hill 10.				
Lafayette (28-3):	Cooley 7, Thomas 9, Demus 15, K. Demus 10, Pankins 9, Denton 10, M. Wilson 10.				
3-point goals:	Barley 1, Alexander 1, Glover 1, Hill 1, Demus 1, Jones 1, Pankins 1.				

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##	Player	f/c/g	Total			Rebounds			PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG-FGA	3-Ptr	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot							
21	Anderson, Sydney	f	3-5	1-2	4-4	1	1	2	3	11	1	6	0	1	23
23	Skinner, Sandra	f	6-8	0-0	3-4	1	11	12	3	15	0	3	2	0	29
13	Hamlin, Maddie	c	1-1	0-0	3-5	0	5	5	2	5	2	2	0	2	31
11	Taylor, Paige	g	1-6	1-3	0-0	1	1	2	3	3	1	1	0	0	30
22	Graham, Lexxus	g	3-5	2-4	1-2	0	2	2	2	9	2	7	0	2	31
02	Welsh, Lauren		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
04	Williams, Kaytlynn		1-3	0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	9
12	Terrel, Megan		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
33	Hardiman, Elizabeth		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Team						0	0	0							
Totals			15-28	4-11	11-15	3	23	26	14	45	6	19	2	5	160

FG % 1st Half: 8-15 53.3% 2nd half: 7-13 53.8% Game: 15-28 53.6% Deadball Rebounds: 2
3FG % 1st Half: 2-7 28.6% 2nd half: 2-4 50.0% Game: 4-11 36.4%
FT % 1st Half: 4-5 80.0% 2nd half: 7-10 70.0% Game: 11-15 73.3%

MARSHALL COUNTY 37 • 31-6

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			FG-FGA	3-Ptr	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot							
20	York, Allie	f	0-8	0-7	2-4	3	4	7	2	2	5	4	0	4	30
23	Manley, Michaela	f	5-13	1-1	1-2	2	2	4	3	12	1	2	0	2	25
43	Barnard, Alyssa	f	4-6	1-2	0-2	0	1	1	3	9	0	0	0	1	31
04	Greer, Bailey	g	2-8	1-4	0-0	0	0	0	2	5	1	3	0	0	32
21	Fehrenbacher, Toni	g	2-6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	3	4	1	1	0	2	22
12	Ross, Melissa		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
42	Langhi, Hannah		1-2	0-0	3-6	3	3	6	2	5	0	1	0	0	18
Team						2	1	3							
Totals			14-43	3-14	6-14	10	11	21	15	37	8	11	0	9	160

FG % 1st Half: 7-21 33.3% 2nd half: 7-22 31.8% Game: 14-43 32.6% Deadball Rebounds: 4,1
3FG % 1st Half: 0-4 0.0% 2nd half: 3-10 30.0% Game: 3-14 21.4%
FT % 1st Half: 4-10 40.0% 2nd half: 2-4 50.0% Game: 6-14 42.9%

Officials: Shaun Williams, Jason Reineke, Chris HOGUE
Technical fouls: CLARK COUNTY-None, MARSHALL COUNTY-None.
Attendance:
Alt-Jamie Gatewood

Score by periods	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
CLARK COUNTY	13	9	10	13	45
MARSHALL COUNTY	6	12	10	9	37

Points	In Paint	Off T/O	2nd Chance	Fast Break	Bench
GRC	20	16	2	0	2
MARSHA	14	14	3	6	5

Last FG - GRC 4th-04:21, MARSHALL 4th-00:32.
Largest lead - GRC by 10 4th-00:42, MARSHALL by 3 3rd-04:00.

Score tied - 3 times.
Lead changed - 3 times.



Sydney Anderson goes up for a rebound in the George Rogers Clark High School Lady Cardinals 45-37 win over Marshall County Friday evening.

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Taking advantage of seven Clark miscues in the quarter, Marshall County tied the score at 17-17, but Clark scored five of the final six points of the quarter and led 22-18 at the half.

The Lady Cards committed 11 turnovers in the first half. Although Marshall County's press bothered Clark, especially in the first half, the Lady Marshals shot just 33 percent from the field. The Lady Cards settled down and had just eight miscues in the second half.

"We turned the ball over way too much with careless turnovers," Graham said. "Because of their pressure, we were too tight, we weren't relaxed and weren't moving the basketball. We let them hang around and keep it a lot closer than what it should be."

Skinner paced Clark's offense with eight points in the first half.

The Lady Marshals opened the second half with a 7-3 run and regained the lead for the first time since scoring the first basket of the game. The sport gave Marshall County a 28-25 lead with 3:50 remaining in the third quarter.

Clark responded by scoring the final seven points of the quarter and led 32-28 going into the final eight minutes. Skinner scored four of Clark's 10 points in the third quarter.

Anderson scored just two points in the first three quarters but hit back-to-back shots including a 3-pointer to give Clark a 37-30 advantage with 5:41 remaining.

Clark 13 09 10 13 — 45
Marshall Co. 06 12 10 09 — 37

CLARK (27-7) — Anderson 11, Skinner 15, Hamlin 5, Taylor 3, Graham 9, Williams 2.
MARSHALL CO. (31-6) — York 2, Manley 12, Barnard 9, Clark 6, Johnson 4, Lantz 6.

Is it time conference

PAUL NEWBERRY,
AP National Writer

ATLANTA (AP) — Looking around at all the empty seats at the Georgia Dome, one can't help but wonder if conference tournaments have outlived their usefulness.

Sure, the Southeastern Conference postseason shindig is a bit of an anomaly — a tournament being played in a lame-duck city, at a domed football stadium with far more capacity than is needed, after a ho-hum year where no team stood out except for No. 1 Florida.

But given the massive conference shake-ups of the past few years, which have pushed together schools from far-flung places and broken up long-standing rivalries in the quest for the almighty football dollar, it's time to reconsider the way we use this time of year in college hoops.

Early round "crowds" in Atlanta amounted to family and friends. And dare I say, do we even need the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament, the granddaddy of these events. With the ACC now bloated to 15 teams, empty seats during its opening round at Greensboro were covered by a curtain.

How about in place of the conference tournaments, let's expand the NCAA field from 68 to 96 teams, with the 32 game opening round played out on this very weekend. Instead of focusing on a few bubble teams that are looking to bolster their credentials for the selection committee, every contest would determine whose season is over and which teams get to play on.

Plus, the top 32 teams — more specifically, the top eight seeds in each region — would be to the site of the Grand Slam tournament quality. Not all of them are new since 1962, and he might not be in New England much longer. After loss to a year as a Bucanoner, he was cut Wednesday and officially agreed to terms with the Patriots on Thursday — but only on a one-year deal, albeit worth about \$12 million.

The 28-year-old shutdown cornerback who's often being released has been with the Jets to the Patriots since last April, was the last bid name on the move. Versatile running back kick returner Sprioles will add some juice to Philadelphia's already high-energy offense after he was acquired from New Orleans. And someone — Baltimore, maybe — will grab veteran Smith after the stand-out wide receiver was released by Carolina.

As for Harrison, the 2008 Defensive Player of the Year was cut by Cincinnati, where he spent only the 2013 season after being released by Pittsburgh.

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Sports briefs

PRO FOOTBALL

Darrelle Revis and Darren Sproles found landing spots in the Northeast. Now Steve Smith and James Harrison are looking for new NFL homes.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

PHOENIX (AP) — A former longtime Fiesta Bowl chief executive was sentenced to eight months in federal prison after acknowledging he participated in an illegal campaign contribution scheme.

John Junker was sentenced after pleading guilty two years ago to a conspiracy charge in the scheme in which bowl employees made illegal campaign contributions to politicians and were reimbursed by the nonprofit bowl.

Bowl employees were reimbursed at least \$40,000 for such contributions.

NEW YORK (AP) — Chris Fowler is taking over play-by-play responsibilities for the marquee Saturday night college football game on ABC.

ESPN announced that Fowler had signed a nine-year contract extension through 2023. The network said a day earlier that Brent Musburger was leaving "Saturday Night Football" and doing games for SEC Network.

BASEBALL

GOODYEAR, Ariz. (AP) — Cleveland's Jason Giambi will be sidelined for about three-to-four weeks with a broken rib in his right side.

Giambi was hit by a pitch thrown by Edwin Jackson of the Chicago Cubs in the third inning of a March 7 game. X-rays at the time were negative, but Cleveland said the 43-year-old Giambi had felt increased discomfort over previous five days.

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Girls' Sweet 16



George Rogers Clark High School head coach Robbie Graham celebrates the Lady Cardinals' 45-37 win over Marshall County Friday evening in the Girls Sweet 16 State Tournament.

Halfway there
Lady Cards beat Marshall Co. to reach state semis

By Keith Taylor
The Winchester Sun

BOWLING GREEN — The George Rogers Clark High School girls basketball team is one game away from playing for a state championship.

The Lady Cardinals (27-7) advanced to the state semifinals for the first time since 1991 with a 45-37 win over Marshall County Friday night. Clark extended its winning streak to seven games, while the Lady Marshals' season came to a close at 31-6. Marshall County had won 12 straight games prior to the season-ending setback.

The Lady Cards will take on the winner of the Elizabethton, which defeated Anderson County, tonight at 6 p.m. EDT in Bowling Green. Ashland Blazer will play Louisville Butler in the first semifinal at 6:30 p.m. The winners will advance to finals set for 9 p.m. Sunday. The Lady Cards advanced to the quarterfinals following a 79-70 win over Corbin in the tournament opener Thursday.

Clark coach Robbie Graham pumped his fist toward the Clark contingent in excitement following the victory. Although his team wasn't talked about before the tournament, Graham's Lady Cards are the talk of the town.

"Our goal all year was to get here," he said. "I'm foolish enough to think we can come and win four games. I'm a big enough fool to think we can do that. We're halfway there. A lot of people were throwing out names, and who had a chance to win it and

who (the top) players were.

"I told the girls Marshall County is not there this year. Last year everybody was playing for second.

We've played about everybody in the state and we feel like we're a good basketball team. We feel like we can be right there. We make a trip to Bowling Green, let's try to win four."

Sandra Skinner led the Lady Cards with 15 points and 12 rebounds, including 11 on the defensive end. Skinner, named the National Guard Player of the Game, said the Lady Cards' defense made the difference.

"We just focused on rebounding and defense throughout the game," she said.

Teammate Sydney Anderson followed Skinner with 11 points. Anderson scored nine points in the fourth quarter and made four clutch free throws down the stretch.

"She responded really well in the fourth quarter," Graham said. Clark made four of its first seven shots and led 18-6 at the end of the first quarter.

Marshall County's defense rattled the Lady Cards in the second quarter, giving the Lady Marshals a chance to narrow the margin.

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When: Saturday
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Taylor beat the Marshall play guarding her for a layup during the George Rogers Clark High School Lady Cardinals 45-37 win Friday evening in Bowling Green.

Kentucky romps past LSU 85-67 in SEC quarterfinals

ATLANTA (AP) — James Young scored 21 points, Willie Cauley-Stein led a dominating performance in the middle with six blocks and Kentucky pulled away to beat LSU 85-67 in the quarterfinals of the Southeastern Conference tournament Friday night.

The Wildcats (23-8) closed the regular season with three losses in their last four games, prompting coach John Calipari to switch things up at practice and bench his team to find "his mojo." His talented group of freshmen headed the call.

Kentucky took control with a 23-3 run in the first half, withstood a rally by the LSU (19-15), and pulled away with the sort of dominating performance expected from a team that some thought could win every game.

Cauley-Stein teamed with fellow 7-footer Dakari Johnson to give the Wildcats a presence in the lane the Tigers simply could not match. Johnson had 9 points, 11 rebounds and three of Kentucky's 11 blocks.

Johnny O'Bryant III led LSU with 18 points, and Andre Stringer added 14. But the Tigers hurt themselves by making just 12 of 24 free throws.

Kentucky's Julius Randle had 17 points and 16 rebounds, Aaron Harrison had 14 points, and Andrew Harris contributed 11 points and eight assists.

Off the opening tip, LSU's Shavon Coleman quickly

silenced the Kentucky-dominated crowd at the Georgia Dome by knocking down two straight 3-pointers, leading Calipari to call a timeout just 91 seconds into the game. The Tigers built their biggest lead when Stringer's layup made it 22-14 approaching the midway point of the first half.

The enigmatic Wildcats took control from there, running the court with abandon and controlling with lane at both ends. They ripped off 12 straight points to start the run that put Kentucky firmly in control.

Cauley-Stein spatted the outburst with three blocks, each one drawing an even louder reaction from the crowd. Young scored seven points, including a thun-

derous dunk and a long 3-pointer, grabbed a couple of rebounds and doled out an assist. Rotating in with Cauley-Stein, Johnson did his part by pulling down four rebounds — two of them at the offensive end.

LSU couldn't do anything right during these decisive minutes, making just 11 of 11 shots and turning the ball over five times to compound their offensive woes.

Kentucky led 42-32 at halftime, having outrebounded the Tigers 25-17. More impressively, they crashed the offensive boards to reclaim 12 of their 18 misses, leading to an 18-2 dominance in second-chance points.

Of course, the youthful Wildcats have a way of making any game interesting. Down by 16 points in the second half, LSU got back in the game with a 14-3 run of its own.

The Wildcats called timeout after Jordan Mickey hit a jumper, Anthony Hickey stole the ball in the backcourt and led Stringer for a 3-pointer — essentially a five-point play.

But O'Bryant picked up with his fourth foul with more than 13 minutes remaining and went to the bench for an extended period, making it that much tougher for LSU to complete the comeback. Kentucky was soon rolling again, pulling away from the Tigers to set up a matchup against either Georgia or Mississippi in the semifinals Saturday.

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GIRLS' SWEET 16 BASKETBALL

LATE FRIDAY: CLARK CO. 45, MARSHALL CO. 37

Skinner lifts Lady Cardinals into semis

Double-double shuts door on Marshall

By Steve Jones
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BOWLING GREEN, Ky. — Clark County girls' basketball coach Robbie Graham has the Lady Cardinals in the final four of the state tournament for the first time in 23 years. The way he sees it, why not go even further? Junior post Sandra Skinner had 15 points and 12 rebounds and Clark County shot well for the second consecutive game in defeating Marshall County 45-37 on Friday night in the quarterfinals of the Houchens Industries/KHSAA Sweet 16 at E.A. Diddle Arena.

The Lady Cardinals (27-7) advanced to the semifinals Saturday night against Elizabethtown, No. 1 in The Courier-Journal's Litkenhous Ratings.

Clark County, which is back in the semifinals for the first time since a state runner-up finish in 1991, will be an underdog in the next round, but Graham likes his team's chances.

"Our goal all year was to get here," he said. "I told the girls once we won the (10th Region), I'm foolish enough to think we can come and win four games. ... We're halfway there."

Graham said he reminded his team there is no clear favorite like Marion County in 2013, which steamrolled the field en route to a 39-0 record last year, when "everybody was playing for second."

"We've seen about everybody play in the state, and we think we're a good basketball team," Graham said. "We feel like we can be right there."

A day after making 10 3-pointers and shooting 62 per-

cent in a 79-70 victory over Corbin, Clark County shot 53.6 percent from the floor, including 6 of 8 by Skinner.

Sydney Anderson scored nine of her 11 points for Clark County after halftime. She had five straight points early in the fourth quarter in a 14-2 run spanning the final two periods that gave the Lady Cardinals a 39-30 lead.

Meanwhile, the Lady Marshals (31-6) shot 32.6 percent and made only 3 of 14 3-point tries. They were 6 of 14 at the free-throw line.

Michaela Manley led Marshall County with 12 points. Coach Joseph Simmons said his team's full-court pressure was effective — helping force 19 Clark turnovers — but the Lady Marshals' struggles on offense prevented them from setting up the press as much as they wanted.

"We couldn't make a shot and couldn't make a free throw," he said.

Simmons noted that his team held Clark County to 34 fewer points than it scored against Corbin.

"If you'd have told me before the game that we'd hold them to 45 points, I'd have said we'd have won the game," he said.

... You can't shoot 33 percent in the state tournament and expect to keep advancing, but I couldn't be more proud of a group of girls."

It was Marshall County's third consecutive trip to the Sweet 16 and state-record 22nd overall.

Clark County	13	9	10	11	45
Marshall County	6	12	10	9	37

Clark County (27-7) — Anderson 11, Skinner 15, Manley 5, Taylor 3, Graham 8, Williams 2.
Marshall County (31-6) — Ford 2, Manley 12, Bernard 8, Green 5, Stephendexter 4, Langley 3.
3-point goals — Anderson, Taylor, Graham 2, Manley, Bernard, Green.

GIRLS' SWEET 16 TOURNAMENT

Through today at E.A. Diddle Arena, Bowling Green (all times Eastern)

Ashland Blazer	56	A. Blazer	64
Henderson Co.	48	Friday	A. Blazer
Danville	52	Danville	55
Shelby Valley	48	Saturday	
Newport Cath.	52	Butler	62
Butler	54	Friday	Butler
Lafayette	61	Lafayette	50
Glasgow	47	Saturday	
Perry Co. Cen.	38	Marshall	37
Marshall Co.	54	3 p.m. today	Clark Co.
Corbin	70	Friday	Clark Co.
Clark Co.	79	Saturday	
Elizabethtown	76	E'town	58
Sacred Heart	61	Friday	E'town
Anderson Co.	75	Anderson	37
Meade Co.	51	Saturday	

LATE FRIDAY: ELIZABETHTOWN 58, ANDERSON COUNTY 37



Elizabethtown's Livie Bowling is guarded by Anderson County's Kaci Currens during Friday night's game. AP

Panthers race to big lead, never look back

Boley, Cleaver lead top-ranked E'town

By Jason Frakes
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BOWLING GREEN, Ky. — After a slippery start for both teams, Elizabethtown High School was the only one to find its footing Friday night.

The Panthers raced to a 19-point halftime lead and Erin Boley and Reauna Cleaver both posted double-doubles in a 58-37 rout of Anderson County in a highly anticipated matchup of top-ranked teams in the quarterfinals of the Houchens Industries/KHSAA Girls' Sweet 16 at E.A. Diddle Arena.

Boley had 17 points and 14 rebounds and Cleaver added 10 points, 12 rebounds and five blocks as E'town (31-4) — No. 1 in the state in The Courier-Journal's Litkenhous Ratings — ran its winning streak to 16. The Panthers were to play Clark County (27-7) in a Saturday night semifinal.

It was a rematch of the championship game of the Republic Bank Holiday Classic held Dec. 23 at Lexington Catholic, which E'town won 51-42.

Anderson County coach Tony Kays said E'town is much improved.

"They look faster and

quicker, and their defense seems to be polished into a well-oiled machine," Kays said. "All championship teams start with defense, and it looks like they've bought in and believe in what they're doing. ... I don't see any glaring weaknesses in any part of their game."

No. 3 Anderson County (28-5) shot just 22.6 percent, was outrebounded 42-23 and posted a season low for points, the previous low coming in that December loss to E'town. Miss Basketball finalists Eriel McKee (13 points, six rebounds, four steals) and McKenzie Cann (eight points, seven rebounds) shot a combined 7 of 32 from the field.

"I thought tonight was about as good defensively as we could play," E'town coach Tim Mudd said. "We knew where Cann was at all times, and we wanted to stay on McKee's right hand and limit penetration. ... I hope it was because of our defense, but it could have just been a bad shooting night."

The game was delayed at the 7:40 mark of the first quarter after the E'town student section — in a move popularized by NBA star LeBron James — tossed baby powder in the air after the tipoff. The powder created a cloud over the court and eventually made it slippery.

As officials cleaned the

court, the teams were sent back to their locker rooms. They were allowed to warm up again for five minutes before play resumed. The delay lasted 25 minutes.

After the game, Mudd said he apologized to Kays.

"Some people maybe think it's a laughing matter, but it's not to me," Mudd said. "I take a lot of pride in E'town High School, and I hate that a select few can embarrass the whole district. I don't think it was very well thought out."

The delay didn't affect the Panthers, who bolted to a 29-10 lead and held a 35-16 halftime advantage. Boley hit 8 of 14 shots and had 17 points and 12 rebounds at the break.

Meanwhile, Anderson County hit just 20.7 percent (6 of 29) of its first-half shots and McKee went to the bench with her third foul at the 6:13 mark of the second quarter.

"We got a little smaller and a little slower and had less ability to score," Kays said.

Anderson County never got closer than 17 points in the second half.

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Anderson County	7	8	4	7	27
Elizabethtown	16	19	6	17	58

Anderson County (28-5) — Stewart 10, Rice 6, Cann 8, McKee 13, Stebler 1.
Elizabethtown (31-4) — Boley 17, Cleaver 10, Hall 8, Bernard 7, Manley 6, Reed 3, Brown 5.
3-point goals — Stewart 3, Rice 2, Cann 2, McKee.

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STATE TOURNAMENT

FINAL 4

ELIZABETHTOWN 71 GRC 56



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ELIZABETHTOWN vs CLARK COUNTY
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ELIZABETHTOWN 71 • 32-4

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02	Huff, Darien	g	5-9	2-3	5-5	1	1	2	3	17	2	0	0	2	30
03	Bowling, Livie	g	1-4	0-1	3-6	3	3	6	0	5	4	1	0	3	25
12	Warden, Rachel	g	4-7	3-5	4-4	1	0	1	3	15	3	3	1	0	28
04	Mudd, Kinsey		1-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	1	2	0	1	0	1	10
10	Stinson, Jada		0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
13	Pfeiffer, Toni		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
20	Thomas, Taylor		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Team						1	1	2							
Totals			20-44	6-11	25-31	10	16	26	10	71	10	6	3	8	160

FG % 1st Half: 14-27 51.9% 2nd half: 6-17 35.3% Game: 20-44 45.5% Deadball Rebounds: 5,1
 3FG % 1st Half: 5-6 83.3% 2nd half: 1-5 20.0% Game: 6-11 54.5%
 FT % 1st Half: 7-9 77.8% 2nd half: 18-22 81.8% Game: 25-31 80.6%

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02	Welsh, Lauren		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0+
03	Gilkerson, Shelby		0-1	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
04	Williams, Kaytlynn		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	7
12	Terrel, Megan		0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
20	Kindred, Micah		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
24	Bell, Maleaha		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
33	Hardiman, Elizabeth		1-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	9
Team						3	0	3							
Totals			20-43	11-20	5-7	8	14	22	25	56	9	13	2	3	160

FG % 1st Half: 11-21 52.4% 2nd half: 9-22 40.9% Game: 20-43 46.5% Deadball Rebounds: 0,1
 3FG % 1st Half: 4-7 57.1% 2nd half: 7-13 53.8% Game: 11-20 55.0%
 FT % 1st Half: 0-0 0.0% 2nd half: 5-7 71.4% Game: 5-7 71.4%

Officials: Jason Reineke, Anthony Ramsey, Jamie Gatewood
 Technical fouls: ELIZABETHTOWN-None. CLARK COUNTY-None.
 Attendance: 3320
 Alt-Davin Barnett

Score by periods	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
ELIZABETHTOWN	16	24	9	22	71
CLARK COUNTY	14	12	14	16	56

	In Point	Off T/O	2nd Chance	Fast Break	Bench
Points ETOWN	26	21	11	4	2
GRC	14	9	10	0	2

Last FG - ETOWN 4th-02:41, GRC 4th-00:49.
 Largest lead - ETOWN by 15 4th-06:03, GRC by 2 1st-07:10.

Score tied - 1 time.
 Lead changed - 5 times.

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The George Rogers Clark High School Cardinal cheerleader Abby Esterling couldn't watch as an Elizabethtown player hit her free throw to stop the fourth quarter rally by the Lady Cardinals in the semi-final game of the Girls Sweet Sixteen in Bowling Green Saturday evening. Grace Matthews, right, was able to watch the action. Andrew Penick is the GCHS Cardinal. The Lady Cardinals ended their season with a 71-56 loss.

KENTUCKY I-65 crash claims life of Clark Co. truck driver

Sun staff report
A Winchester man was killed Saturday in a tractor-trailer collision that shut down all three westbound lanes on Interstate 65 at the 38.4 mile point for hours, according to a press release from the Kentucky State Police.

The Kenneth burst into Bowling Green and was struck in the back end of a Freightliner tractor-trailer operated by Joe Rodriguez, 34, of Leitch Acres, Fla., according to the Kentucky State Police in Bowling Green.

The Kenneth burst into Bowling Green as a result of the collision and Black was pronounced dead at the scene by the Warren County Coroner's Office, according to KSP. Rodriguez was taken to The Medical Center at Bowling Green for treatment.

According to the Bowling Green Daily News, state police directed motorists to take I-65 south when the road was closed for 7-9 hours in order to traffic late Saturday night.

Sports briefs

Girls Sweet 16 Butler captures state title

BOWLING GREEN (AP) — Danielle Lawrence scored 13 points and grabbed 10 rebounds as top-ranked Butler beat No. 2 Elizabethtown 68-58 in the KISSAA Girls' Sweet 16 championship game Sunday.

Elizabethtown's Erin Foley hit two free throws to pull within one, 39-36, before Butler held the Panthers scoreless for the final 5:27.

Butler, No. 1 in The Associated Press final regular season poll, scored the final 10 points of the game and held Elizabethtown to 39 percent shooting to secure the school's fourth state title, its first since 2008.

Allowing just about 10 points for Butler (23-3), while Fontana-Johns scored nine and Lawrence had five steals. The Realties hit 75 percent on 11.1 run in the last 3:17 of the first quarter and went on to shoot 43 percent from beyond the arc in the game.

Foley had 16 points and 10 rebounds for Elizabethtown (23-5).

NASCAR Edwards takes rain-soaked race

BRISTOL, Tenn. (AP) — Carl Edwards claimed a rain-soaked win at Bristol Motor Speedway when weather wobbled him on the track Sunday.

The rain caused two delays lasting more than five hours. Just as Edwards closed in on the checkered flag, the yellow caution lights came on with two laps remaining.

No one was sure what the caution was for, and Edwards' crew chief even wondered if water damage might have inadvertently caused the lights to turn on.

Then the flag suddenly opened and NASCAR had no choice but to declare the race over.

Edwards led Ryan Newman, Ricky Stenhouse Jr. across the finish line. Aric Almirola from Richard Petty Motorsports was third as Ford drivers swept the top three spots.

PGA Soden ends winless streak

PALM HARBOR, Fla. (AP) — John Soden ended more than seven years without a victory by making two late birdies, including a chip-in from 70 feet on the toughest hole at Inlandbrook, for a one-shot victory on a wild and windy Sunday at the Valparaiso Championship.

Soden, 26, shot behind going into the final round, closed with a 1 under 70 for his first PGA Tour win since the 2006 John Deere Classic.

The timing couldn't have been better. Soden finished at 7 under 277.

Sports

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MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2014 - B1

Girls Sweet 16: E-Tom 71, Clark 56

Clark bows out in semis



Clark's Paige Taylor wraps up the ball during a scramble in the Lady Cardinals' 71-56 loss to Elizabethtown Saturday night at E.A. Diddle Arena in Bowling Green.



James Mann/jman@winchestersun.com

Memorable season ends in loss to Panthers in state semifinals

By Keith Taylor
The Winchester Sun
The state final Sunday at Diddle Arena, Clark finished the season at 27-4 and won 14 of the final 15 games.

There were times where we could have laid down, Coach Bobbie Graham said. "We didn't. We battled and battled and battled. We were diving on the floor for loose balls, and we were scrapping and clawing. We just played our hearts out and made it a competitive game. They're a good team. They're a good team."

See SEMIFINALS, B2

Seeing RED

Lady Cards reach Final Four before loss to Elizabethtown

By Keith Taylor
The Winchester Sun
BOWLING GREEN — Madeline Hamlin couldn't think of a better way to end her prep basketball career.

"There's no better way to go out as a senior than making it to the Final Four," she said following the Lady Cardinals' 71-56 loss to Elizabethtown Saturday night at E.A. Diddle Arena. "It's an amazing feeling. Although we lost and I wish we could have gone all the way, it's just amazing and I'm so happy."

For a team that hasn't been on the state's biggest stage in four years, the Lady Cardinals felt at ease under the bright lights.

"It means a lot to us that we've proved everyone wrong," senior Lexus Graham said. "No one thought we could make it this far."

Although the Lady Cardinals fell short of achieving their all-time goal, it didn't take away from the team's remarkable journey that ended with the school's first trip to the state semifinals since 1991. A trip to the finals would have been a bonus.

"Anything after the semifinals was being on the cake," Clark coach Bobbie Graham said. "Clark's transition into a 10th Region champion and state contender came a year after the Lady Cardinals finished 13-15

and lost to Campbell County in the opening round of the regional tournament for the second straight season. At one point in his first season at the helm, Graham, a longtime boys assistant coach at Clark, had his doubts about his decision to take over the girls program after South State stepped down to take a similar position at Lexington Catholic.

"I looked at my wife (Doreen) and thought, 'Good Lord, what did I do?'" he said. "I should have stayed with the boys."

One year after Graham started second-guessing his decision, he doesn't regret making the move and credited his players for "helping to" his philosophy.

"In the off-season, they worked really hard," Graham said. "They got stronger and tougher physically and mentally. Graham's second season didn't necessarily start off with a bang after Clark broke even at 4-1 following its first eight games. It was then "the light just came on."

"The practices got a little tougher, they started working a little harder each and every day," Graham said. "We talked about going to Bowling Green from Day 1. That was the goal — to get here. Once you get

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George Rogers Clark High School Lady Cardinal fan Sara Clark holds up a sign supporting Lexus Williams during the team semi-final game against Elizabethtown Saturday evening.

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EDUCATION Clark County BOE will serve as redistricting committee

By Casey Castle
The Winchester Sun
The Clark County Board of Education will hold the first meeting of its redistricting committee tonight at 6:30 at the Central Office.

The panel's members will serve as the redistricting committee as Superintendent Paul Chisley recommended. The board will ultimately make the decision on the redistricting process with input from a committee.

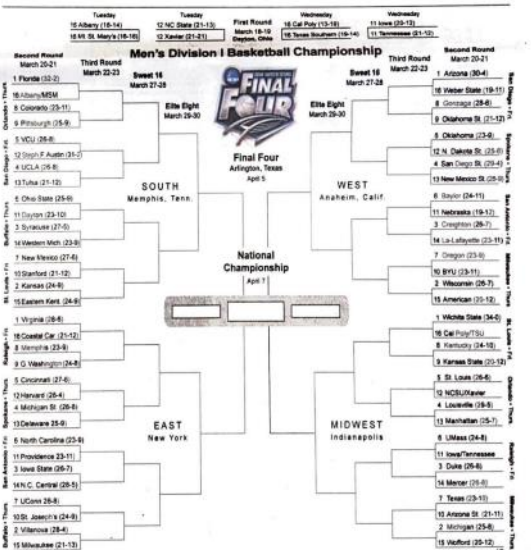
The decision allows the board to move quickly on the process.

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Cats get No. 8 seed in return to dance

By Keith Taylor
The Winchester Sun
Kentucky is back in the Big Dance. The Wildcats (24-10) received an at-large bid — a No. 8 seed in the Midwest Region — after missing the tournament last season.

Kentucky, which lost to overall No. 1 seed Florida in the Finals of the Southeastern Conference Tournament, will take on sixth-seeded

Kansas State at approximately 8:00 p.m. Friday in St. Louis.

Kentucky lost to Robert Morris in the opening round of the National Invitation Tournament last season, even though the Cats were the overall No. 1 seed in the event after being snubbed by the NCAA after winning the crown in 2012.

The winner will likely play top-seeded Wichita State Sunday in St. Louis. The Shockers won't be the winner of the Cal Pal and Texas South

ern play-in game.

Kentucky is 5-0 against Kansas State (20-12), including a 68-58 victory in the NCAA finals at Minneapolis in 1951 for the school's third national championship. Kentucky also defeated the Wildcats 91-78 during the 1975 NIT.

Despite Kentucky's two wins in the SEC Tournament, Kentucky coach John Calipari said his team's performance in the five-day event had no bearing on his team's placement

in the prestigious tournament. He added the selection committee was "not moving an arrow."

"They made their minds up that what this team was," he said. "The only way you can prove 'em wrong is go play ball. And we played today and I'm proud of the guys. We'll go play. We'll go to St. Louis and play."

Calipari wasn't surprised by the seeding, considering the team's 8-5

See NCAA, B2





GRC HOOPS 2023/24

Game Promotions

ALUMNI NIGHT

Friday, December 15th, 2023

(GRC Hoops vs. Frederick Douglass - 6:00/7:30 pm)

1989 TEAM 35-YEAR REUNION

(10th Region Champs/Sweet 16 Runner-Up)

Saturday, January 6th, 2024

(GRC Hoops vs. Montgomery County - 5:00 pm)

2014 TEAM 10-YEAR REUNION

(10th Region Champs/Sweet 16 Final 4)

Saturday, January 13th, 2024

(GRC Hoops vs. Covington Holy Cross - 5:15 pm)

1975 TEAM REUNION

(1st GRC Girls Basketball Team/10th Region Champs)

Friday, February 2nd, 2024

(GRC Hoops vs. Fleming County - 6:00/7:30 pm)

FUTURE STARS NIGHT

Monday, February 5th, 2024

(GRC Hoops vs. Christian Academy of Louisville - 6:00/7:30 pm)

HOOPS FOR HEART / ALUMNI NIGHT

Tuesday, February 13, 2024

(GRC Hoops vs. Dunbar - 6:00/7:30 pm)

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 VARSITY ASST./JV COACH..... STEVE ANDERSON
 VARSITY ASST. COACH..... WILLIAM BROWN
 VARSITY ASST. COACH..... ERICA JACKSON
 FRESHMAN COACH..... ANOVIA BYARS
 SUPPORT STAFF..... MAKHIA FOUNTAIN,
 DAZYRE HOOTEN, AALIYAH GRAHAM
 TRAINER..... CAITLIN CRUMP
 OFFICIAL SCOREKEEPER..... DAVID CRUMP
 PA ANNOUNCER..... TIM TAFOYA
 CLOCK OPERATOR..... ERIC SMITH
 BOOSTER PRESIDENT..... HILLARY TABOR
 BOOSTER VICE PRESIDENT..... MEGAN CHESTNUT
 BOOSTER TREASURER..... TAMIKA BYARS
 DIR. OF CONCESSIONS..... MARY ANN BOYD
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 COLORS..... RED AND WHITE
 NICKNAME..... CARDINALS
 DISTRICT/REGION..... 40TH/10TH
 GYMNASIUM..... GRC ARENA
 SUPERINTENDENT..... DUSTIN HOWARD
 PRINCIPAL..... LUKE TOY
 ATHLETIC DIRECTOR..... TERRY YEAST



2023-24 VARSITY ROSTER

NO.	PLAYER	HT.	CLASS
0	KENNEDY STAMPER	5'5"	9
1	KYLEIGH CHESTNUT	5'6"	8
2	TEIGH YEAST	5'8"	10
3	CIARA BYARS	6'1"	11
4	JAILENN GREEN	5'7"	11
5	KYLEIGH STAKELIN	5'8"	9
10	KHANIA JONES	5'10"	11
11	MADelyn SETTLES	5'5"	11
14	LEAH HOWARD	5'8"	9
13	JAYLYNN GOODWIN	5'3"	9
24	MAKILI TABOR	5'8"	12
25	ANAYA CHESTNUT	5'7"	10
30	ANNETTE MILLER	5'8"	9
42	EMMA CECIL	5'2"	9
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Kentucky vs Indiana All Stars

- 2023—Brianna Byars
- 2020—Kennedy Igo
- 2019—Hayley Harrison
- 2015—Sandra Skinner
- 2011—Preshia Rogers
- 1992—Stephany Davis
- 1991—Maisha Thomas
- 1990—Lea Robinson
- 1988—Jennifer Berryman
- 1981—Velma Jordan
- 1981—Cindi Clay

Ohio vs Kentucky All Stars

- 2019—Maleaha Bell
- 2019—Hayley Harrison
- 2016—Sydney Anderson

All-State Teams

Lexington Herald-Leader

- 2023—Brianna Byars (1st Team)
- 2023—Ciara Byars (1st Team)
- 2022—Brianna Byars (2nd Team)
- 2022—Ciara Byars (2nd Team)
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- 2017—Kennedy Igo (Honorable Mention)
- 2017—Shamaya Behanan (Honorable Mention)
- 2015—Sandra Skinner (Honorable Mention)
- 1991—Maisha Thomas (3rd Team)
- 1990—Lea Robinson (1st Team)
- 1988—Jennifer Berryman (2nd Team)
- 1981—Velma Jordan (2nd Team)
- 1981—Sally Malley (1st Team)

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- 1990—Lea Robinson (1st Team)
- 1988—Jennifer Berryman (2nd Team)

1,000 Point Scorers *

- 1 Brianna Byars—2,032 (2,255)
- 2 Sandra Skinner—1,978
- 3 Kennedy Igo—1,599 (2,496)
- 4 Sally Malley—1,552
- 5 Ashley Hewson—1,516
- 6 Ciara Byars—1,485
- 7 Lea Robinson—1,401
- 8 Jasmine Flowers—1,388 (1,534)
- 9 Preshia Rogers—1,338
- 10 Sydney Anderson—1,296
- 11 Velma Jordan—1,283
- 12 Jennifer Berryman—1,263
- 13 Hayley Harrison—1,260 (1,699)
- 14 Jewell Rogers—1,228
- 15 Tyra Flowers—1,189
- 16 Shelly Rye—1,183
- 17 Maleaha Bell—1,153
- 18 Stephany Davis—1,052
- 19 Mauricette Allen—1,049
- 20 Maisha Thomas—1,012

* Based on points scored at GRC. Overall total in parenthesis. Thru 2022/23 season.

Sweet 16 All-State Tournament Team

- 2023—Brianna Byars
- 2023—Ciara Byars
- 2022—Ciara Byars
- 2019—Hayley Harrison
- 2018—Kennedy Igo
- 2018—Shamaya Behanan
- 2017—Shamaya Behanan
- 2014—Lexus Graham
- 2014—Sandra Skinner
- 2010—Brittany Black
- 1995—Jan Vaughn
- 1991—Stephany Davis
- 1991—Maisha Thomas
- 1990—Lea Robinson
- 1989—Lea Robinson
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- 1981—Sally Malley
- 1981—Velma Jordan

10th Region

- Hall of Fame
- Dave Dening
- Dan Hempel
- Lisa Goodin
- Mike "Bear" Rogers
- Maisha Thomas
- Lea Robinson
- Sally Malley
- Velma Jordan
- Jennifer Berryman
- Cindi Clay
- Leola Jackson
- Lexus Graham
- Scott True
- Jan Vaughn
- Sandra Skinner
- Stephany Davis

KHSAA MOST WINS - ALL-TIME

Wins School (Years), Overall Record; 2022-23 Record

1. 1,202 Marshall County (1974-); 1,202-297; 19-15
2. 1,039 Sacred Heart (1974-); 1,039-466; 36-3
3. 963 George Rogers Clark (1974-); 964-472; 28-8
4. 930 Leslie County (1974-); 930-518; 21-9
5. 907 Marion County (1974-); 907-464; 9-14
6. 904 Henderson County (1975-); 904-n/a; 28-5
7. 857 Allen County-Scottsville (1974-); 857-n/a; 12-13
8. 850 West Carter (1974-); 850-n/a; 6-25
9. 807 East Carter (1974-); 807-537; 10-18
10. 767 Paris (1975-); 767-632; 19-9
11. 729 Woodford County (1975-); 729-568; 2-25
12. 724 Hart County (1975-); 724-595; 19-12

Season Records (1975 to 2023)

Season	Won	Lost	Season	Won	Lost	Season	Won	Lost
2022—2023	28	8	2003 - 2004	11	16	1987 - 1988	28	4
2021—2022	31	3	2002 - 2003	6	21	1986 - 1987	16	9
2020—2021	18	6	2001 - 2002	16	11	1985 - 1986	14	10
2019—2020	22	10	2000 - 2001	13	14	1984 - 1985	9	11
2018 - 2019	25	11	1999 - 2000	16	11	1983 - 1984	10	15
2017 - 2018	28	8	1998 - 1999	8	17	1982 - 1983	9	16
2016 - 2017	30	5	1997 - 1998	13	15	1981 - 1982	20	14
2015 - 2016	18	11	1996 - 1997	14	12	1980 - 1981	38	4
2014 - 2015	21	11	1995 - 1996	10	13	1979 - 1980	27	3
2013 - 2014	27	8	1994 - 1995	25	6	1978 - 1979	17	8
2012 - 2013	13	18	1993 - 1994	19	7	1977 - 1978	16	7
2011 - 2012	18	12	1992 - 1993	25	5	1976 - 1977	19	6
2010 - 2011	24	8	1991 - 1992	25	6	1975 - 1976	20	6
2009 - 2010	19	11	1990 - 1991	32	6	1974 - 1975	22	3
2008 - 2009	18	10	1989 - 1990	29	4	Total:	964	472
2007 - 2008	13	17	1988 - 1989	29	3			
2006 - 2007	17	11						
2005 - 2006	18	9						
2004 - 2005	19	12						

10th Region

Player of the Year

- 2023—Brianna Byars
- 2023—Ciara Byars
- 2022—Brianna Byars
- 2020—Kennedy Igo
- 2019—Kennedy Igo
- 2015—Sandra Skinner
- 2011—Prisha Rogers
- 1995—Jan Vaughn

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- 1981—Dan Hempel