

# Brodar tosses three-hit shut-out at Cougars

In a classic pitching dual between the team's aces, Delphi senior pitcher Ashley Brodar needed only one run to overcome an also brilliant performance from Cougar hurler Leann Cossairt, who allowed just four Oracle hits in the 1-0 contest played Monday night in Delphi.

In a rematch of a game just one week ago at Flora (won by Delphi 6-1), which Cossairt missed due to illness, both teams provided solid defensive efforts behind their star pitchers this time around as no batter from either team even reached base until a two-out single in the bottom of the third inning by Delphi's Erika Hawn.

The Oracles (5-9) scored the only run of the game the next inning when Allison Cook singled with one-out and stole second base, her team-leading sixth steal of the season.

Alyssa Lewis followed with another single, scoring Cook with what proved to be the game-winner.

It was all that Brodar would need as she cruised the rest of the way, striking out six Cougars in the

game, while allowing only three hits en route to her second shut-out of the season and her third consecutive victory.

The Lady Oracles have also now won three in-a-row, and four of their last five with the only loss a 2-1 nail-biter at Pioneer last Wednesday.

But the pitching battle was the story of this one with Cossairt (6-4) also fanning six in suffering the hard-luck complete game loss.

Brodar was in control throughout, allowing only one base-runner to safely reach as far as second base during the game and that batter only got on as a result of the lone Delphi error.

With the victory, Brodar's record on the season improves to 5-6, which includes three tough one-run losses.

Cossairt collected two hits for Carroll (6-7) with singles in both the fourth and seventh innings, with Lucia Zook accounting for the only other Cougar hit, a single in the fifth.

Emily Kayser had the only other Oracle hit, a single in the bottom of

the fifth inning.

Delphi will travel to Frankfort on Thursday for a 6 p.m. start, before going to Twin Lakes for a double-header conference battle on Saturday beginning at 10 a.m.

The Cougars traveled to conference-rival Central Catholic on Tuesday (too late for print), before hosting the Knights on Wednesday at 4:45 p.m. They will then play at Pioneer on Thursday starting at 4:30 p.m.

## Oracles sweep Rensselaer

In action on Saturday, Delphi swept a double-header from conference-foe Rensselaer by scores of 11-0 (5 innings) and 11-5 (12 innings).

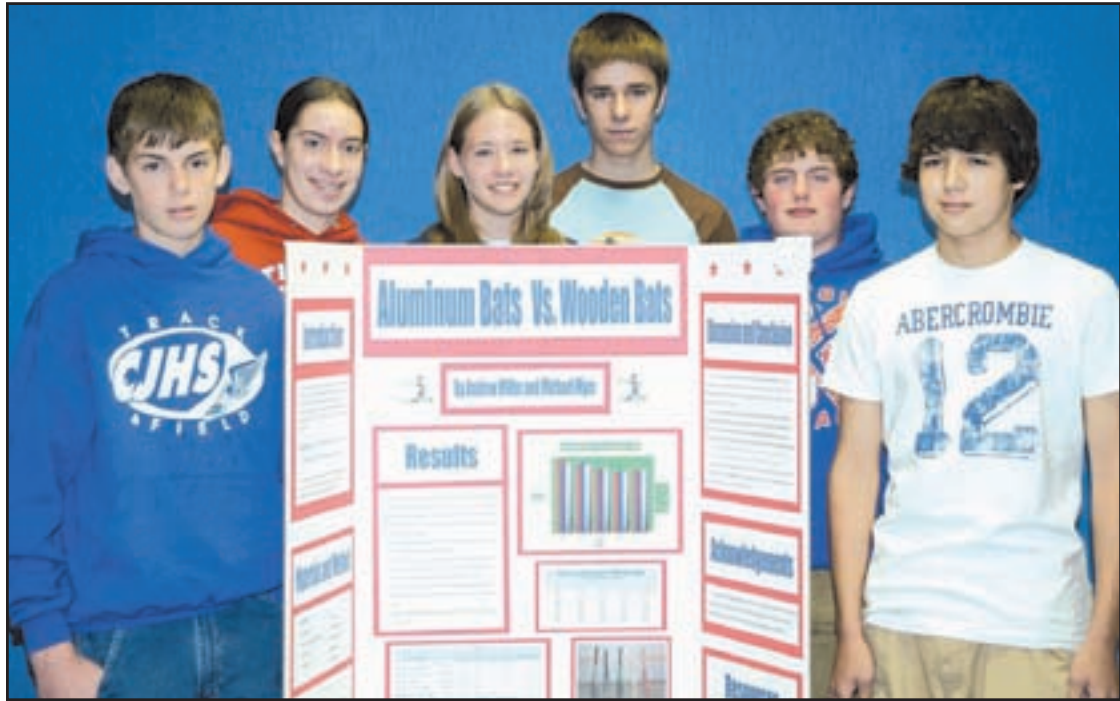
Brodar earned both victories on the mound, striking out 9 in a one-hit shutout in the first game. She entered the second contest in relief in the second inning to shut down the Bombers after they had taken a 4-0 lead with a career-high 15 strikeouts, allowing only 2 hits in 10 innings.

Kayla Yates had two hits and two RBI's in the first contest, with Lewis and Brodar each also adding two hits, while both Brittany Tyner and Cook added two RBI's.

In the second game, Yates, Cook and Kristina Barnard each collected three hits to lead the Oracles, while Cook produced a team-leading 3 RBI's. Hawn's two-out single in the top of the 12th inning drove in Cook and Barnard with the go ahead runs to jump-start a six run inning to put the game out of reach.

In the 2-1 Pioneer loss, Cook, Barnard and Sam Grimes each had singles, with Lewis collecting the lone Oracle RBI. Brodar suffered the loss, despite allowing only three Panther hits and striking out six.

## Science Fair top winners



Overall winners in Carroll Jr.-Sr. High School's Science Fair are pictured above, l-r - Andrew Miller, Sarah Griffin, Lucia Zook, Kevin Knaus, Chandler Keown, Michael Myer. Working in teams of two, Miller and Myer won first place (project shown); Griffin and Zook won second, and Knaus and Keown won third. There were 152 projects in the fair. Comet photo by Jennifer Archibald

## Carroll Science Fair winners named

Carroll Jr.-Sr. High School had a Science Fair last Friday.

There were 152 projects entered. Judging was in two divisions - junior, grades 7 and 8, and senior, grades 9-12. The students had to follow the scientific method and meet other project criteria. They entered projects as individuals or in teams of two or three.

Overall winners were:

First place - Andrew Miller and Michael Myer, "Aluminum bats vs. wooden bats." They also received first place in the junior division, in the category of Engineering.

Second place - Lucia Zook and Sarah Griffin, "Growing rabbits - small cage vs. large cage." They also received first place in the senior division in Zoology.

Third place - Chandler Keown and Kevin Knaus, "The viscosity of biofuels." They also received first place in the senior division in Engineering.

Other winners are listed below, along with their chosen science category.

## Oracles drop two to Taylor

Delphi baseball team dropped two over the weekend to Taylor, 6-1 and 6-4.

The Oracle bats could not get going in game one. Kory Banes had two of the four hits for the Oracles. Scott Brothers took his third loss on the mound.

In game two, the Oracles led most of the game behind strong pitching from Kyle Bender and Kyle Schwarzkopf. Banes led the hitters, going 3 for 3.

The Oracles began Hoosier conference play Tuesday against Twin Lakes at home.



## Lady Cougars softball off to 6-6 start

Carroll Cougar Softball has had a strong start for the 2006 season. With a record of six wins and six losses, the Cougars' record does not reflect the impressive play that has been an accepted standard for this season.

Early in the season, the Cougars defeated Pioneer 1-0.

Carroll has never beat Pioneer, so the win was that much sweeter. Twice this season, play has extended into extra innings. The ninth inning loss to fourth ranked Frontier, 0-1, was an outstanding game for the Cougars even though they missed the win. After ten innings of play, the Cougars beat Tri-Central 9-8.

## George returns to Carroll football program

### Comet staff report

Carroll's football program is back under the leadership of 59-year-old Rick George.

George was Carroll's varsity football coach from 1979 through the 1986 season, compiling a 59-win, 24-loss record in eight seasons.

Carroll did not have a teaching position open to go along with the coaching position. But because George retired from teaching in 2002, that was not a

problem.

George brings with him a wealth of experience and knowledge of Carroll football.

After leaving Carroll, George was head coach at Indianapolis Pike from 1987-88, Lafayette Central Catholic from 1989-1991, and Tri-County from 1992-2001. Since 2003 he has been West Lafayette's offensive coordinator.

His overall win-loss record over 22 varsity seasons is 130-99.



## Carroll wrestling awards



Meyer



Holda



Scharer



Fritz



Herron

Awards were presented recently to members of Carroll's varsity wrestling team. Recipients were, from left: Nate Meyer, Most Valuable, One Bad Cat of the Year, most pins, and team captain; Josh Holda, most improved; Sam Scharer, mental attitude, most take downs, and most escapes; Andy Fritz, most aggressive and most reversals; Garret Herron, One Bad Cat Lifetime Achievement Award and fastest pin. Photos provided

## Call outs

### Youth Soccer

Registration for the Fall 2006 Carroll County Youth Soccer League season has begun. Any child age four and over is encouraged to play. Teams are being formed for fall recreational and travel teams.

Rec games will be played Saturday mornings from Aug. 26 through Oct. 14.

Information and forms are available at county schools, pre-schools, day care centers, and libraries, or by calling Pat Hickner at (574) 967-0115.

CCYSL is also in need of volunteers to be coaches, referees, assistants, and to help with fields and equipment. Registration deadline is June 14.

## Delphi youth baseball to celebrate 50 years on Saturday

By John Dunn

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The Delphi Youth Baseball organization's 'Opening Day' of the season will be on Saturday with the traditional parade of activities through downtown to Paul Goyer Field.

League officials will then commence with the opening day ceremonies including the recognition of last season's 10-and-under Town and Country state championship team, top fundraiser sales awards, and guest speakers before the first-pitch is thrown at noon.

As a special highlight to the ceremony, this season marks the 50<sup>th</sup> year of existence for the Delphi Youth Baseball League, officially organized in 1956.

It was on March 28 of that year that a group of concerned parents and business

leaders recognized a need for the youth in this small community and held a meeting, presided over by Tony Berto, to discuss the possibility of a Little League franchise for Delphi.

Approximately 40 people were in attendance at the REMC meeting hall, including guest speakers Wayne Hall, president of the Flora Little League, and Al Moss, the secretary-treasurer.

From that discussion, committees were appointed to move forward with this program in the Delphi community. Other individuals involved were: Leo Craig, Bob Clawson, Frank Fitch, Joe Coomey, Harvey Harris, Myron Johnson, Mayor Ray Clauser, Stan Cornelius, Maurice Clifford, Ralph Melin and Paul and Harold Goyer, to name a few.

An application was then sent to Williamsport, PA for a franchise, as

Craig was named president, Morris Skiles the vice-president, William Riley, Treasurer and Armond 'Bill' Soper the player agent and umpire-in-chief.

Sponsors and coaches of the league's first four teams were: the Jack Brown Buick Braves (coached by Harold Goyer), the Globe Valve White Sox (coach Harold Welch), the Delphi Lions Club Cubs (Paul Goyer), and the Eikenberry Funeral Home Indians (Coomey).

On May 10, 1956, the dream became closer to reality when a tract of land located north of the Deer Creek levee on the east side of Hamilton Street was purchased from Roger Mayhill for \$1.

With 168 boys that had signed consent forms to play, many volunteers, including Tom Vianco and the Goyers, spent countless days clearing the land to make

a field, while practices were held at Riley Park.

REMC dug postholes, while Burkle & Campbell's Delphi Products built the backstop and screens along the baselines and erected the flagpole.

After a census card was distributed in the local papers seeking volunteers interested in assisting the league and an 'auction' was held to help offset costs, June 23 was set for the original Opening Day.

The community came out in great numbers to support the new league as the four teams showcased their skills in exhibition games.

Fifty years later, Opening Day is being celebrated again, with a special thanks to the "pioneers" of the cause, who gave their work and efforts towards making this dream a reality for many youth over the years.

Some of the people directly responsible have passed on, but the legacy they built and left to this community is alive and well at Paul Goyer Filed on Hamilton Street.

Action on Saturday includes Major League (age 12-&-under) games at noon featuring the Indiana Packers Astros vs. the Peters-Revington White Sox, and at 2:00 pm with the Auto Glass Experts' Nationals vs. the Dick Krieg Motors Shockers.

Minor A (age 10-&-under) games will then follow at 4:00 pm featuring the Norman Eyecare Rockhounds vs. the Save-A-Lot Muckdogs, with the Sand Ridge Bank Redwings facing the Pearson's Marina Riverdogs at 6:00 pm.

Teams from the Delphi Girls Softball leagues will also take part in the parade activities.

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