

Lady Oracles continue hot streak

The Delphi Lady Oracle softball team won three of four games last week, and have now won eight of their past 11 games.

Delphi took a pair from Hoosier Conference foe Sheridan, winning 8-0 at home last Tuesday night, before traveling to Sheridan on Thursday for the back-half of the home-and-home series, winning 5-1.

The Lady Oracles then split a double-header on Saturday at Tipton against another conference rival, winning the first game by a score of 8-0, before dropping the second contest 7-2.

Against the Blackhawks last Tuesday, senior Ashley Brodar continued her superb pitching of late, throwing a complete game 1-hit shutout - her second of the season - while striking out 9.

Sheridan's only hit of the game came on Hope McGowan's two-out single in the top of the third inning, as Brodar allowed only four Sheridan hitters to reach base safely, the other three aided by Delphi fielding errors.

McGowan stole both second and third bases, but would be left stranded at third as Brodar struck out Beth Musgrove to retire the side.

The Lady Oracles jumped in front of the Blackhawks early, scoring 2 runs in the bottom of the first inning, despite not having any hits. Kayla Yates and Brodar led off with consecutive walks and scored the game's first two runs after Yates stole both second and third, scoring on Allyssa Lewis' RBI grounder to shortstop.

Brodar later scored on a wild pitch for essentially all of the run support that she would need on the mound to record her eighth victory of the season.

Yates led a balanced offensive attack with two hits an RBI and three runs scored, while Emily Kayser also had two hits and two runs scored. Allison Cook led with 2 RBIs, while Erika Hawn contributed the Oracles only extra-base hit, an RBI double in the fifth.

Thursday, sophomore Amanda Schultz took the start on the mound

and earned her first career varsity pitching victory, going 4 innings, allowing only one run and one hit, before Brodar came on in relief with the bases loaded in the bottom of the fifth. She shut the door on the Sheridan rally and closed the game to earn her first save of the season.

Sam Grimes got things started for the Lady Oracles, leading off the second inning with a triple, Delphi's first of the season. She then scored the first run of the game on Hawn's RBI groundout to the pitcher.

Delphi added three more runs in the top of the fourth inning, highlighted by a Brodar 2 RBI single to right field, scoring Brittany Tyner and Schultz.

Grimes was the only Oracle with more than one hit as she later singled in the seventh inning, going 2-of-4 on the game. Brodar's two RBIs and Tyner's two runs scored also led Delphi in the victory.

At Tipton on Saturday, Brodar again took the mound and proceeded to throw her fourth shutout of

the season, striking out four while scattering only six hits.

The Blue Devils were never able to put anything together offensively as only two base runners reached as far as third base, compliments of both Brodar and the Delphi defense.

The Lady Oracles again used three walks and two Tipton miscues to score three runs without a hit in the top of the second inning, before scoring five more in the fifth inning to put the game out of reach.

Delphi sent nine batters to the plate in the fifth, with both Yates and Brodar starting the inning with consecutive base hits. After Yates was thrown out at third on a sacrifice bunt attempt, Brodar scored on Kayser's RBI double blasted over the left fielder's head. Schultz added an RBI single, scoring Kayser, while Kristina Barnard, Brittany Atwood and Kirsty Flora each batted in a run.

For the game, Yates, Cook and Schultz each had two hits, while Flora led with two RBIs.

The second game of the double-header did not go as well. The Lady Oracles (10-12) jumped in front in the first inning as Brodar drew a one-out walk and scored on Kayser's RBI single to right-center. However, Tipton (8-12) struck back in the third inning, scoring four runs, led by a 2-RBI single from Megan Harper, to take a 4-1 lead off of Atwood, the starting pitcher in game two.

Delphi's only other run came in the bottom of the third inning when Kayser singled to center, scoring Yates who had led-off with a single. Kayser recorded two of Delphi's only four hits and drove in the only two runs.

Delphi will next host North White on Tuesday (too late for print) before hosting Frontier on Thursday at 4:30 p.m. The Lady Oracles travel to Winamac for a double-header on Saturday at 10 a.m. before returning home to face Northwestern on Monday and Clinton Prairie on Tuesday, both slated for 4:30 p.m. starts.



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Pony Express remain undefeated

Delphi Pony Express baseball team is 4-0 after beating Sheridan and Rossville. On Wednesday, the Express got by Sheridan 6-1. Neil Snoeberger picked up the win with 13 strikeouts and 4 walks, while Tanner Cripe got the save with 2 strikeouts. Justin Snider had a hit and scored 2 runs, Adam Cunningham and Tanner Cripe, each had a hit, a run and an RBI and Braden Atwood had a hit and a run.

At Rossville Saturday, it was a close game until the top of the seventh, when the wheels fell off Rossville's defense and Delphi scored 8 runs, to win 14-2. Dustin Salyer gave up 3 hits, with 6 strikeouts, 2 walks for the win. Salyer also had 3 hits and 3 runs, Will Draper had 3 hits, 3 runs and 2 RBIs, Cunningham had a hit, 2 runs and 2 RBIs, Cripe had a hit, 2 runs and a RBI while Neil Snoeberger had 2 doubles, a run and 2 RBIs.

For Rossville, Charlie Nichols pitched all 7 innings, giving up 12 hits, striking out 5 while walking 7. Umel had a hit and a run, Hack had a hit and an RBI, Griffey, a run, and Gochenour, an RBI.

In a game earlier last week, Delphi Pony Express beat Rossville 14-4 in 5 innings. Kris Bender got the win, allowing 2 hits, with 2 strikeouts and a walk. Cunningham relieved Bender in the third and had 4 strikeouts and a walk. In the 5th inning, Tyler Smith got the save, even though he gave up 4 walks with the help of good defense. A double play started by shortstop Salyer, to second baseman Cripe, to first baseman Bender and a popfly to Salyer put the game away. Cunningham had 2 hits, 3 runs and an RBI, Cripe had a hit, 3 runs and 4 RBIs, Snider, 2 runs and an RBI, Atwood and Landon Garrison each had a hit, a run and an RBI.

For Rossville, Cupp took over for Hack, who had a rough start, giving up 6 hits and walking 4. Griffey had a hit and a run, Gochenour a hit, Umel a run, Hack a run and Stingley a run.

The Express's next game is today, Wednesday, at Flora against Carroll White.

4-H News

4-H livestock

All 4-H members taking livestock projects are reminded that livestock forms are due at the 4-H Office by May 15.

Rabbit workshops

The 4-H Rabbit leaders have scheduled a workshop on May 16 at 7:30 p.m. on the eastside of the 4-H building. 4-H'ers should bring rabbit project books. 4-H'ers should bring their rabbits for tattooing.

Poultry workshop

4-H poultry members should plan to attend a workshop on May 16 at 6:30 p.m. at the 4-H building (east side). 4-H members should bring their project book. Anyone wanting to show broilers, contact leaders by May 8 so the order can be placed. Birds that need to be blood tested should be brought to this meeting.

Motorized tractor workshop

Come and work on your motorized tractors on the following three Wednesday nights, May 10, 24, and 31. The workshops will be held at Pavilion #3 in the Flora park from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Art - the legacy continues



Jack Sanders established art as a priority in the Delphi schools, believing that "art touches everyone." It was his vision that created a premier art show featuring both student and professional art in a gallery setting. That concept is still unique today. Art teachers in the Delphi Community School Corporation have followed in his footsteps, and each year strive for a bigger and better show. Current and former DCSC art teachers are pictured above, l-r: Robin Walker Allbaugh, Sherri Cripe, Barb McCain, Sanders, Don Brothers, Kathy Need, Sandy Esserman, Cary Griffiths Rush, Sandy Cox. Not pictured is current DCHS art teacher Judi Brummett. Comet photo by Jennifer Archibald

Oracles split with Benton Central

The Delphi Oracles split games in a Hoosier Conference double header over the weekend with Benton Central. The Bison came to play, defeating the Oracles 11-0 in game one. Kyle Bender got the loss on the mound for the Oracles.

In game two the Oracles won 2-1 behind another strong pitching performance by Scott Brothers. Brothers struck out 12 and allowed only four hits in seven innings. He gave up a run in the first inning and shut the Bison down the rest of the game. He also had two hits, as did Kory Banes. The game was tied going into the seventh inning. Josh Mullin singled to right to start the inning. Brock Zarse bunted back

to the pitcher, who forced Mullin at second. The second baseman tried to double off Zarse at first and threw the ball away. Zarse ended up at second.

On a wild pitch Zarse ended up at third and Banes walked leaving the two at first and third. Scott Seabolt was the batter. The BC coach entered his ace left hander to close the door. On the second pitch to Seabolt the Oracles' plan was to squeeze bunt the run home. The lefty threw to first. Zarse broke for home and beat the throw from the first baseman at the plate, scoring the winning run.

The Oracles are now 2-2 in Hoosier Conference play and 6-10 on the season.

Vs. Tri County

The Oracles dropped another game earlier last week to Tri County 11-10. The Oracles' season record is now 5-9 with some big Hoosier Conference games coming up.

Scott Brothers and Kory Banes led the Oracles in offense with a couple of hits each. Ryan Replogle had three runs batted in. Mike Myers had his first start of the year on the mound, but Kyle Swartzkopf took the loss on the mound.

The Oracles fell behind in the seventh when a Tri County batter hit a three-run home run to put them up 11-7 in the seesaw game. The Oracles came right back to score in their half of the seventh, but just did not score enough.

Carroll names eight coaches

By Jennifer Archibald
Staff writer

Coaches and summer employees were approved at the May 2 Carroll School Board meeting.

Cheerleading coaches named were: Patsy Bosley, freshman; Cassandra McLaughlin and Elizabeth Peck, junior high; and Tondra Brewster, junior varsity.

Other coaches approved were: Breann Falkenberg, varsity volleyball; Tom Hedde, volunteer assistant varsity golf; Katie Seward, volunteer assistant softball.

Summer employees were approved, based on the recommendation of junior-senior high school principal Charles Huckstep.

Amanda Schneckloth was hired as summer swim team coach and summer swim instructor, and Chase Richardson was hired as assistant summer swim instructor.

Other summer employees will be Dillon Carter, Kyle Miller, Cameron Stout, Allison Allbaugh, and Lori Smith.

Superintendent John Sayers said another class will be added to summer school. World History will be taught from May 31 to June 27, at \$80 per student. The class will be taught by Glen Dillman. Huckstep said at least 21 students have signed up. Sayers added that taking the class in the summer will free up a period for those students during the school year, and it will allow Dillman to teach another section.

Sayers announced the resignation of Roger Mahrling as tech-

nology coordinator. He has accepted a position at Purdue University. His resignation is effective after the end of school, May 23.

The board approved a 25-year warranty on the new football lights that will be installed this summer. The cost of the warranty is \$4,500. Sayers said this not only includes replacing burned out bulbs as they occur, but replacing all of the bulbs after seven years.

Miriam Robeson, school attorney, announced that the Advertising/Fund Raising Policy Committee has met over the past several months, and has come up with a draft that includes four policies: Sponsorship policy, Student and Student Organization Fund Raising, Advertising Program, and Raffles and other Fund Raising Games. The proposed policies will be posted on the corporation Website, and public comments are welcome.

Robeson chaired the committee. Other members were Kristen Arnett, Scott Ayres, Alice Benson, Mike Eikenberry, Charles Huckstep, Joe Moss, John Sayers, Carolyn O'Connell, Fred Schnarr, Desiray Simmons, and Jennifer Spesard. Board president Sam Zook also attended the meetings.

The superintendent announced two sports clinics. A softball clinic for third through eighth grades will be held May 20, with a cost of \$20 per student. An elementary girls' basketball clinic will be held June 5-9, with a cost of \$25 per student.

Huckstep said 118 students in grades four through eight came to the school for their sports physicals. Conducting the physicals were Dr. Mark Meyer, Dr. Alvan Eller, and Dr. Jordan Dutter. Huckstep said volunteers also helped. The physicals were also offered for grades nine through twelve, but they hadn't taken place by the time of the board meeting.

The board approved the textbook adoption for elementary music and art.

The following conference and field trips were approved:

- Kathy Sanders, Safe and Drug Free Schools Conference May 3 in West Lafayette.
- Jessica Rankin to take all band members to King's Island on May 20.
- Myron Compton, Linda Mylet, and Sandy Kistler to attend the Sixth Annual Literacy Academy Conference June 11-13 in Lebanon.
- Natalie McQuade to attend the Indiana Principal Leadership Academy Conference June 12-14 in Nashville, Ind.
- Pat Spence to take three yearbook staff students to Butler University to attend leadership, layout, and design classes June 19-21.

The board approved the use of two school buses to take Flora Little League players and coaches to Indians games (dates not yet specified).

The next board meeting will be May 16 at 8 p.m. in the Administration Building.

Warm reunion



Former Delphi art instructor Jack Sanders greeted many of his former students at the opening of the 50th annual Jack Sanders Delphi Art Show on Sunday. He is shown here with Lois Powlen, Class of 1958. She said Mr. Sanders was one of her favorite teachers. She is one of 18 alumni whose work is exhibited at this year's show. Comet photo by Jennifer Archibald

PTO shows teachers they're appreciated

Last week was Teacher Appreciation Week at Carroll Elementary. The school's PTO planned activities all week to show their appreciation to the 62 teachers and staff.

On Monday, a catered lunch was served, and the teachers were notified there would be no lunch room duties or recess duties for the entire week.

On Tuesday, the theme was "You're so Sweet." Dozens of cookies and a couple hundred candy bars were set out as treats. Wednesday was finger food

day. Shrimp cocktail was served along with meatballs, cheese-cake squares, fruit, and many other goodies. Parents also washed the teachers' and staff cars.

Thursday was "Pamper Yourself Day." The YMCA's Denise Davis came and gave neck massages to all the staff. Beauty consultants Becky Enoch and Wendy Wickersham gave satin hand treatments and facials.

Friday, the staff members were greeted with homemade cinnamon rolls and sheet cakes.



Showering teachers with kind deeds PTO member Jennifer Gear and other parents washed teachers' and staff cars last week as part of Teacher Appreciation Week. Photo 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.