

PREP BASKETBALL

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BY THE NUMBERS

Boys

Warriors 67
Trojans 63

CENTER GROVE — Tyler Kitchel 11-26 7-8 34, Corey Gray 4-9 3-4 12, Jason Kaylor 2-4 2-2 8, Louis Kamo 1-5 0-1 3, Danny Gill 1-1 0-0 3, Kyle Beltz 1-1 1-2 3, Andrew Bowman 0-2 0-0 0, Jared Hawkins 0-0 0-0 0. **Totals:** 20-48 13-17 63.

WARREN CENTRAL — Walter Offutt 10-16 6-8 28, Josh Jones 4-9 0-2 11, Jarrin Forte 1-4 4-6 8, Adrien Robinson 1-3 3-4 5, Antwone Rogers 1-6 3-6 5, Donovan Jones 2-4 0-0 5, David Lane 1-3 0-0 3, Jason Clardy 1-2 0-0 2, Ed Hazelett 0-2 0-0. **Totals:** 21-49 16-26 67.

CENTER GROVE (13-2) 7 11 12 33 — **63**
W. CENTRAL (13-3) 9 16 14 28 — **67**
Three-point shooting: Center Grove 10-21 (Kitchel 5-10, Kaylor 2-4, Gill 1-1, Kamo 1-2) Gray 1-4, Warren Central 6-16 (J. Jones 3-6, Offutt 1-1, D. Jones 1-1, Lane 1-3, Forte 0-3, Rogers 0-2).

Rebounds: Center Grove 21 (Kitchel 7), Warren Central 25 (Clardy 7, Robinson 6).
Fouls: Center Grove 22 (Bowman and Kamo fouled out), Warren Central 18.

Reserve score: Warren Central 58, Center Grove 32.

Golden Eagles 59
Braves 52

INDIAN CREEK — Kyle Ray 8-15 5-9 25, Kyle Bradley 1-8 0-0 3, Logan Scott 0-3 0-0 0, Zach Poindexter 1-3 0-0 2, Brett Brunson 6-11 5-6 18, Drew Hogue 2-3 0-0 4, Weston Wray 0-3 0-2 0, Michael Jordan 0-0 0-0 0. **Totals:** 18-46 10-17 52.

GUERIN CATHOLIC — David Mazanowski 0-2 2-2 2, Ryan Nowicki 7-13 2-3 18, Sam Titus 2-3 0-0 4, Dan Payntor 4-6 2-2 10, Sam Gardner 2-7 4-4 8, Tyler Dolan 5-9 0-0 12, Alex McPeak 0-0 0-0 0, Dan Iafra 0-0 0-0 0, Evan Denari 0-1 0-0 0, Nick Jonathan 0-0 0-0 0, Bradley Yust 2-3 0-0 5. **Totals:** 22-43 10-11 59.

INDIAN CREEK (6-9) 7 20 13 12 — **52**
G. CATHOLIC (7-10) 16 13 13 17 — **59**
Three-point shooting: Indian Creek 6-16 (Ray 4-7, Brunson 1-2, Bradley 1-5, Poindexter 0-1, Wray 0-1), Guerin Catholic 5-17 (Dolan 2-6, Nowicki 2-7, Yust 1-1, Gardner 0-1, Payntor 0-1, Denari 0-1).

Rebounds: Indian Creek 16 (Bradley 6), Guerin Catholic 30 (Gardner 9, Payntor 5).
Fouls: Indian Creek 13, Guerin Catholic 14.

Reserve score: Guerin Catholic 54, Indian Creek 31.

Hawks 50
Warriors 44

DECATUR CENTRAL — Pat Sharpe 1-6 0-0 2, Alec Dye 2-4 5-8 9, Ryan Root 7-12 12-15 28, Derrek Stator 3-5 0-1 6, Chris Bartlett 0-1 0-0 0, Blake Beasley 1-6 1-1 3, Ryan Carlton 0-1 0-0 0, Phillip Cash 0-0 0-0 0, Andrew Park 0-0 2-4 2, Sean Gregorson 0-0 0-0 0. **Totals:** 14-35 20-29 50.

WHITELAND — Marcus Hanger 5-13 1-4 14, Michael Kirkham 3-10 0-0 6, Adam Money 1-4 2-2 4, Darin Munn 3-5 3-4 9, Billy Patrick 2-5 0-0 6, Mitch Meador 1-1 1-2 3, Reid Meador 1-2 0-2 2, Tony Couch 0-0 0-0 0, Matt Smerdel 0-0 0-0 0, Bryan Webb 0-0 0-0 0. **Totals:** 16-40 7-14 44.

D. CENTRAL (7-11) 10 9 11 20 — **50**
WHITELAND (6-9) 11 18 7 8 — **44**
Three-point shooting: Decatur Central 2-10 (Root 2-5, Stator 0-2, Beasley 0-2, Carlton 0-1), Whiteland 5-15 (Hanger 3-9, Kirkham 0-1, Money 0-1, Patrick 2-4).

Rebounds: Decatur Central 17 (Beasley), Whiteland 36 (Munn 11). **Fouls:** Decatur Central 13, Whiteland 22. **Technical fouls:** Root, Patrick.

Reserve score: Whiteland 33, Decatur Central 27.

Quakers 83
Woodmen 53

GREENWOOD — Daniel Lipp 6-19 0-0 16, Craig Edwards 3-3 1-1 7, Tony Robey 1-5 4-4 7, Patrick Kinman 2-5 0-0 6, Nick Baughman 3-4 0-0 6, Corbin Mitchell 2-5 0-0 5, Ian McLaughlin 1-4 2-3 4, Brad Shirrell 0-2 2-4 2, Matt Heller 0-3 0-0 0, Chris Delorme 0-1 0-0 0, Alex Smith 0-0 0-0 0. **Totals:** 18-51 9-12 53.

PLAINFIELD — Brock Cox 6-9 0-0 13, Blake Cox 5-11 2-4 12, Jason Smeathers 4-8 3-3 11, Nathan Ellis 3-3 2-2 9, Jameson Wheeler 4-5 0-0 8, Blake Metcalf 3-5 0-0 6, Michael Uberto 3-5 0-0 6, Zane Fakes 1-2 3-4 5, Brian Mucho 1-1 2-2 5, Grant Tolver 2-4 0-0 4, Terrell Lee 2-4 0-0 4, Matt Steward 0-0 0-0 0. **Totals:** 34-57 12-17 83.

GREENWOOD (3-12) 17 8 7 21 — **53**
PLAINFIELD (12-3) 21 15 20 27 — **83**
Three-point shooting: Greenwood 8 of 25 (Lipp 4-11, Kinman 2-5, Mitchell 1-4, Robey 1-3, McLaughlin 0-1, Heller 0-1), Plainfield 3 of 8 (Mucho 1-1, Brock Cox 1-2, Ellis 1-1, Blake Cox 0-1, Fakes 0-1, Smeathers 0-2).

Rebounds: Greenwood 27 (McLaughlin 7, Baughman 4), Plainfield 38 (Metcalf 9, Smeathers 5). **Fouls:** Greenwood 16, Plainfield 12.

Reserve score: Plainfield 43, Greenwood 42.

Girls

Saints 66
Lancers 40

LUTHERAN — Erin Moeller 0-3 2-2 2, Sarah Neibold 2-2 2-2 6, Amanda Korb 1-4 1-3 3, Casey Delk 1-7 0-0 2, Katie Dyke 9-18 0-2 18, Anna Leaver 7-11 1-3 17, Chelsea Driver 0-0 0-0 2 0, Morgan Robinson 5-8 2-2 12, Caitlin McMullen 1-5 1-2 3, Jessica Myers 0-1 0-0 0, Ashley Jarvis 1-1 0-0 3. **Totals:** 27-59 9-18 66.

EDINBURGH — Chelsea Montgomery 2-6 1-3 5, Heather Dowell 6-18 1-2 15, Emilee Owens 4-20 5-13, Hilary Stinson 0-2 1-2 1, Courtney Dragoon 1-4 0-0 2, Lindsay Bryant 1-3 0-2 2, Brittany Stalets 0-0 2-2 2. **Totals:** 14-53 10-16 40.

LUTHERAN (7-13) 16 18 18 14 — **66**
EDINBURGH (4-16) 7 14 12 7 — **40**
Three-point shooting: Lutheran 3-8 (Moeller 0-1, Delk 0-3, Dyke 0-1, Lewer 2-3, Jarvis 1-1), Edinburgh 2-13 (Dowell 2-9, Owens 0-3, Stinson 0-1).

Rebounds: Lutheran 30 (Robinson 11, Lewer 7), Edinburgh 34 (Owens 9, Montgomery 8). **Fouls:** Lutheran 17, Edinburgh 17 (Montgomery fouled out).

FRIDAY'S STATE SCORES

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Columbus East 57, Jennings Co. 50
Culver Academy 65, N. Miami 61
Danville 74, Frankfort 67
Decatur Central 50, Whiteland 44
E. Central 68, Lawrenceburg 51
Eastern Greene 51, White River Valley 45
Eastern Hancock 62, Tri 53
Elwood 74, Eastern (Howard) 69
Ev. Reitz 67, Jeffersonville 56
Fairfield 114, Howe Military 36
Franklin Central 46, Lawrence Central 37
Franklin Co. 49, N. Decatur 48
Frankton 52, Missisissinewa 41
Fort Wayne Blackhawk 78, Adams Central 33
Fort Wayne Luers 66, Fort Wayne Wayne 60, OT
Fort Wayne Snider 60, Fort Wayne Northrop 40
Glenn 49, Culver 32
Greencastle 72, Monrovia 56
Greenfield 61, Delta 55
Guerin Catholic 59, Indian Creek 52
Hamilton Southeastern 58, New Palestine 46
Hammond Gavit 51, Whiting 28

Anderson 55, Richmond 50
Argos 46, Caston 32
Arlington 70, Tech 52
Barr-Reeve 69, Springs Valley 42
Batesville 65, S. Dearborn 49
Bedford N. Lawrence 53, Floyd Central 32
Ben Davis 80, Terre Haute South 35
Benton Central 75, N. Montgomery 54
Bethany Christian 54, Elkhart Christian 51, OT
Bloomington South 79, Columbus North 51
Brebeuf 80, Park Tudor 56
Broad Ripple 77, Manual 75
Brownsburg 69, Westfield 49
Carroll (Carroll) 58, Delphi 56
Cascade 66, Bethesda Christian 65
Charlestown 87, Austin 62
Clinton Central 70, Tri-Central 63

Hauser 78, Southwestern (Shelby) 39
Henryville 64, Medora 49
Jen-Cen-Del 72, S. Decatur 42
Jay Co. 56, Eastbrook 44
Jimmotown 45, Bremen 30
Kokomo 61, Huntington North 49
Lafayette Jeff 82, Avon 66
Lakeland 67, Churubusco 42
Lanesville 88, New Washington 45
Lapel 47, Mt. Vernon (Hancock) 45
Lebanon 71, Rossview 46
Linton 90, Eminence 79
Maconaquah 53, Hamilton Hts. 52
Madison 70, Seymour 63
Madison Shawe 81, Gordon 59
Marion 56, New Castle 54
Martinsville 69, Mooresville 59
McCutcheon 49, Fishers 35
Mishawaka 63, Mishawaka Marian 59
Mt. Vernon (Posey) 65, Princeton 55
Muncie Burns 50, Fort Wayne Canterbury 40
Muncie Central 56, Logansport 55

Munster 100, Griffith 56
N. Central 63, Terre Haute North 54
N. Daviess 36, Bloomfield 34
N. Judson 60, Winamac 46
N. Putnam 53, S. Putnam 33
Noblesville 50, Laf. Harrison 39
Northeastern 62, Hagerstown 44
Northfield 66, Manchester 42
Northwestern 60, Tipton 57, OT
Oak Hill 61, Blackford 44
Orleans 57, Paoli 37
Pendleton Hts. 35, Yorktown 34
Penn 49, Elkhart Central 47
Peru 55, Cass 53
Pike 47, Bloomington North 42
Plainfield 83, Greenwood 53
Plymouth 49, Goshen 39
Providence 40, New Albany 38
Randolph Southern 51, Daleville 50
Rising Sun 77, Milan 66
Rochester 82, Southwood 70
Roncalli 65, Chatsard 38

Rushville 90, Greensburg 69
S. Bend Adams 69, New Buffalo (Mich.) 51
S. Bend Clay 53, S. Bend Riley 50
Scottsburg 67, Southwestern (Jefferson) 57
Seeger 47, Riverton Parke 37
Shenandoah 50, Clinton Prairie 48
Silver Creek 62, Salem 40
Southport 56, Perry Meridian 50
Southridge 68, N. Posey 38
Tippecanoe Valley 56, W. Central 36
Tri-County 61, S. Newton 53
Valparaiso 76, Chesterton 38
Vincennes Rivet 60, Wood Memorial 59
W. Lafayette 69, Covington 54
Waldron 49, Covenant Christian 46
Warren Central 67, Center Grove 63
Warsaw 45, Elkhart Memorial 39
Washington 69, Mitchell 41
Western 74, Taylor 73, OT
Western Boone 57, Crawfordsville 42
Westview 70, W. Noble 56
Winchester 64, Monroe Central 58

Girls games

Angola 37, Fremont 28
Bellmont 73, S. Adams 39
Crawfordsville 42, Western Boone 40
Eastside 37, Hamilton 22
Fort Wayne Concordia 32, Fort Wayne North 24
Fort Wayne Luers 81, Fort Wayne Wayne 33
Fort Wayne Snider 65, Fort Wayne Northrop 61
Fort Wayne South 71, Fort Wayne Elmhorst 47
Garrett 52, Carroll (Allen) 38
Glenn 38, Culver 33
Hauser 73, Southwestern (Shelby) 54
Homestead 60, Leo 59
Knox 47, New Prairie 22
Lakeland 60, Churubusco 29
Lutheran 66, Edinburgh 40
N. Putnam 37, S. Putnam 34
NorthWood 57, Concord 30
Owen Valley 78, Sullivan 52
Triton 27, LaVile 21
Valparaiso 44, Chesterton 38
Wawasee 41, Northridge 37

Warriors let lead slip away

Decatur Central holds Whiteland to 15 points in second half for conference win

By GREG DODDRIDGE

DAILY JOURNAL SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

As the Whiteland Community High School boys basketball team was losing its double-digit lead in the second half, coach Marty Johnson needed somebody to step up.

Sophomore Ryan Root did, but he played for the wrong team.

Root scored 28 points on 7-of-12 shooting from the field and 12-of-15 shooting from the free-throw line to lead visiting Decatur Central to a 50-44 victory against the Warriors on Friday night in a Mid-State Conference game.

The Hawks (7-11, 2-4 Mid-State) held Whiteland to 15 second-half

Hawks 50, Warriors 44

points as they snapped a four-game losing streak.

Whiteland (6-9, 1-4) led 31-19 early in the third quarter before Root started to take over. He had nine points in the third quarter and 12 in the fourth.

Root converted a three-point play with 3:41 to go in the game to pull Decatur Central within one at 41-40, and he followed that with a 3-pointer less than two minutes later to give the Hawks a 43-41 lead. They never trailed again.

"Give Decatur Central credit," Johnson said. "The Decatur Central sophomores came after us



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hard with heart. We had 15 second-half turnovers, and we can't step up and score."

Whiteland had trouble getting into its offense with dribbling and passing. While Whiteland outbounded the Hawks 36-17, it committed 23 turnovers in the game. Meanwhile, the Hawks benefit-

ed from 22 Whiteland fouls, shooting 20 of 29 from the foul line.

The game got heated in the fourth quarter as Root and Whiteland senior Billy Patrick were each called for a technical foul with six minutes left in the game during a scramble on the floor. The Hawks finished the game on a 17-7 run following the technical fouls.

"We need guys to step up and change gears, and we don't do that," Johnson said. "We're fairly athletic, but we have competitive lapses. We stand around. We need somebody to make a play."

His team has taken just two charges all year, a statistic he wants changed.

"That's a glaring weakness," Johnson said. "We need to develop the character for that."

Still, he is optimistic.

"We get out of the game what we put in it," Johnson said. "I have confidence that in the future we'll be fine."

Senior Marcus Hanger led Whiteland with 14 points. Junior Darin Munn finished just shy of a double-double, recording nine points and 11 rebounds.

Whiteland was without starting point guard junior Cam Richards, who is out with a nose injury. Johnson said Richards is day-to-day.

The Warriors play at Mount Vernon (Fortville) at 7:30 tonight.

Braves can't overcome Eagles' size

By KEN SEVERSON

DAILY JOURNAL SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

NOBLESVILLE

A lack of rebounding hurt the Indian Creek boys basketball team in its game against Guerin Catholic on Friday night.

Guerin Catholic used its size to grab 30 rebounds and pull away from a weary Indian Creek 59-52.

The Braves put up a good fight, but coach Rex Wilson said rebounding hurt Indian Creek's chances late.

"Offensively we had some good looks, but on defense we don't have the animals to go to the board," Wilson said. "We struggled on the boards, and physically it took a lot out of us."

Golden Eagles 59, Braves 52

Indian Creek was coming off its worst defeat of the year, a 19-point loss to Triton Central that damaged the Braves' chances of getting a share of the Mid-Hoosier Conference championship.

Things didn't start out well for the Braves on Friday as they fell behind 12-0, missing their first six shots before a Kyle Ray 3-pointer put them on the board at the 2:17 mark.

Fortunately for the Braves, Guerin Catholic was having trouble getting its offense going.

The Golden Eagles had no trouble later on in the half, maintaining a 12-point lead before frittering it away,

thanks to Ray's shooting and more Eagle turnovers.

"We would go down, come back, then go down again," Wilson said. "We didn't give up and had no problem there."

Indian Creek took its first and what turned out to be only lead midway through the third quarter at 33-31, but then Guerin Catholic went on another run thanks to the rebounding of 6-4 junior Sam Gardner. Gardner hauled in nine rebounds total, all in the second half.

"I like him," Wilson said. "I saw him in their previous game against Pendleton Heights, and he's a strong player. I know he would give us trouble."

Indian Creek could get no closer than

five points the rest of the way. Missed free throws hurt the Braves as they missed six in the fourth quarter alone.

Ray led all scorers with 25 points. Sophomore Brett Brunson added 18 for Indian Creek (6-9).

"It's nice to have one or two guys to go to, but we need more balance," Wilson said.

The Eagles were led by Ryan Nowicki's 18 points. Corey Dolan came off the bench to add 12 for Guerin Catholic (7-10).

Indian Creek returns to Mid-Hoosier Conference action tonight at Edinburgh, the second time this season the two Johnson County rivals have played. The Braves beat the Lancers 62-59 last month.



Indian Creek senior Kyle Ray scored 25 points in the Braves' loss Friday against Guerin Catholic. Ray was 4 for 7 from 3-point range during the loss to the Golden Eagles.

Woodmen lose after giving up lead to Quakers

By ERIC KILMARK

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PLAINFIELD

In the first 12 minutes of his team's game at Plainfield on Friday, Greenwood boys basketball coach Bruce Hensley must have been pleased to see his team leading the more physically dominating hosts.

The Woodmen grabbed a slim 25-23 lead when senior guard Daniel Lipp hit a 3-pointer with about 3:45 to play in the second quarter.

Suddenly, Greenwood's offense chilled, and Hensley found his team down 11 points, 36-25, at halftime.

The Woodmen's offense never recovered until well after the damage had already been done, as they fell 83-53.

Quakers 83, Woodmen 53

The win guarantees the Quakers a share of the Mid-State Conference crown. Plainfield is undefeated in the Conference (5-0, 12-3 overall) with Franklin its only remaining foe.

The loss drops Greenwood to 3-12 overall and 1-4 in the Mid-State.

"We played the game the way we wanted to play during the first half," Hensley said. "The last few minutes of the first half was really where we lost the game. We were two up and right level with them, but then we go to 11 down at halftime."

Hensley knew at that point that it was going to be difficult in the second half.

"We're not the type of team that is

going to come back from 11 down, especially against a team like Plainfield," Hensley said. "That took its toll, because we tried to play fast and play their tempo to try to catch up."

The up-tempo game favored the Quakers, as they outscored Greenwood 20-7 during the third quarter. Eventually, the lead ballooned to more than 30 points early in the final quarter.

Plainfield's hot shooting from the field (34 of 57) and size advantage secured any chance of a comeback. The Quakers held a 35-27 rebounding edge.

In addition, Plainfield executed its offense with few problems, committing only six turnovers in the game.

The Woodmen managed to find their

offense touch late in the game by scoring 21 points in the fourth quarter, but they could get no closer than 26 points.

"I thought our kids played the way that we had talked about playing against Plainfield," Hensley said. "As a coach you've got to be pleased with that. We still make mistakes and we get down, and it's hard for us to come back, but I was really proud of our kids in the first half."

Lipp scored a game-high 16 points, including four 3-pointers, while senior Craig Edwards and junior Tony Robey each scored seven.

Guards Brock and Blake Cox scored 13 and 12 points, respectively, to lead the Quakers.

Greenwood returns to action at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Columbus North.

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Bruce Hensley Greenwood boys basketball coach

Lancers girls fall on senior night • Loss

By STEVE McCCLURE

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Visiting Lutheran spoiled Edinburgh's senior night with a 66-40 girls basketball victory Friday night.

The Lancers, although outmanned, played with spirit, demonstrating their support for the four outgoing seniors, who were honored in pregame ceremonies.

Starters Heather Dowell, Chelsea Montgomery and Hilary Stinson, along with reserve Britany Stalets, played their final game on the Lancers' home court.

Dowell said she couldn't believe her four years at Edinburgh were coming to an end.

"It's really depressing, actually," she said. "It all went by so fast. Now, I'll never play in this gym again."

Lutheran's victory was spearheaded by senior Katie Dyke, who had a game-high 18 points on 9-of-18 shooting.

Dyke, a 6-foot forward, is currently undecided on where she will attend college but wants to

"We'll try and spread our offense and play transition defense. And, if we keep working like we have in practice lately, we'll tear them up."

Heather Dowell Edinburgh senior on girls basketball team's practice for the sectional opener

stay in Indiana, according to her coaches.

From start to finish, Dyke was a deciding factor in the game's outcome. She posted up in paint, rebounded, played aggressive defense and diverted or blocked shots.

She picked up her second foul with 5:52 left in the second quarter and was forced to leave the game. However, another dominating forward, senior Morgan Robinson, hit the boards and directed the Saints' fast break.</