

# **Roundup: Calhoun girls move ahead; Marquette boys win on Senior Night; Metro East Lutheran notches victory**

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## **CLASS 1A OKAWVILLE SECTIONAL**

**HARDIN-CALHOUN 67, WEST CENTRAL (WINCHESTER) 30:** Hardin-Calhoun raced out to a huge lead by halftime and easily advanced to Thursday's IHSA Class 1A Okawville Sectional final by upending West Central (Winchester) 67-30 Tuesday night.

The Warriors, who won their 25<sup>th</sup> straight game in going to 29-3, will take on 28-1 New Athens, 57-51 winners over Lebanon in the other semifinal, for a trip to the Salem Supersectional at 7 p.m. Thursday. West Central was eliminated with a 23-9 record.

Emma Baalman led Hardin with a 28-point night, with Grace Baalman adding 13 points and Kassidy Klocke 11. The Cougars were led by Abby Lashment with 16 points.

## **CLASS 2A WILLIAMSVILLE SECTIONAL**

**ATHENS 44, PIASA SOUTHWESTERN 39:** Maddy Greeling's 23 points weren't enough as Piasa Southwestern fell to Athens 44-39 in the IHSA Class 2A Williamsville Sectional semifinals Tuesday night.

The Warriors will take on Litchfield, 22-21 winners over Pleasant Plains, in Thursday's sectional final and a berth in the Jacksonville Illinois College Supersectional. The Piasa Birds bowed out with a 28-4 record.

## **CLASS 3A JERSEY REGIONAL**

**TRIAD 56, JERSEY 44:** A 19-point night from Sophie Thompson put Triad into the IHSA Class 3A Jersey Regional semifinals past the host Panthers 56-44 Tuesday night.

The win advanced the Knights, 19-8, into a match against top-seeded Highland at 6 p.m. Wednesday, while Breese Mater Dei takes on Civic Memorial in the other semifinal at 7:30 p.m. The winners meet for a berth in the Highland Sectional at 7 p.m. Thursday. Jersey was eliminated with a 9-19 mark.

Abby Burroughs had 13 points and Sam Woods 12 for Triad; Lauren Davis led the Panthers with 15 points, with Bethany Muenstermann adding 11.

**ALTON MARQUETTE 39, WATERLOO GIBAULT 38:** A 9-0 run down the stretch was the difference as Alton Marquette came from behind to defeat Waterloo Gibault 39-38 on the Explorers' Senior Night Tuesday.

Marquette was behind the Hawks 38-30 midway through the final term before rallying.

Shandon Boone led the Explorers (18-9) with 17 points, with Max Goepel adding eight. Jacob Rueter led the Hawks (18-9) with 19 points, with Trevor Davis scoring 10.

**METRO-EAST LUTHERAN 87, EAST ALTON-WOOD RIVER 74:** Metro-East Lutheran's Teddy Fifer and Jason Johnson scored 28 points each as the Knights got past East Alton-Wood River 87-74 in a Prairie State Conference match-up at Wood River Tuesday night.

The Knights got out to a 42-37 halftime advantage and then won the third term 27-13 to pull away.

Kobe Krone added 11 points for MEL (17-10) and Conner Wallace had 10. The Oilers fell to 10-17 on the season with the loss.

**HILLSBORO 57, PIASA SOUTHWESTERN 54:** Hillsboro bounced back from 43-39 down at three-quarter time to end Piasa Southwestern's eight-game winning streak 57-54 in a South Central Conference game at Hillsboro Tuesday night.

Briston Johnson led the Piasa Birds (20-6) with 24 points, with Collin Baumgartner adding eight and Tyler Rose six.

**ROXANA 72, VANDALIA 59:** Trace Gentry's 27 points led Roxana to a 72-59 South Central Conference win over Vandalia on the road Tuesday night.

Zach Golenor had 18 points for the Shells, who went to 13-15 with the win. Chance Foss added nine and Randy Skiff eight for Roxana.

## **MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

**VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH 74, SAINT LOUIS 54:** Treveon Graham had 16 points as Virginia Commonwealth used suffocating defense to spark a 74-54 Atlantic 10 win over Saint Louis in Richmond, Va., Tuesday night.

The loss was the seventh in a row for the Billikens since defeating then-25th-ranked VCU in the 2013 A-10 tournament. The Rams are currently ranked 25<sup>th</sup> in the current Associated Press men's basketball poll.

Michael Gilmore added 10 points for VCM, now 20-6 overall and 10-3 in the A-10. SLU was led by Milik Yarborough with 17 points and fell to 10-16 overall, 2-10 in the league.

## **NHL**

**STARS 4, BLUES 1:** Jamie Benn had his first NHL career hat trick as the Dallas Stars upended the St. Louis Blues 4-1 at Scottrade Center Tuesday night.

Benn scored twice in a three-goal Star barrage in the first 8:48 of game, a barrage that got Blues goalie Brian Elliott yanked in favor of Jake Allen. Cody Eskin had the other goal for the Stars, who only had a goal from Patrik Berglund.

Kari Lehtonen had 27 saves for Dallas, who improved to 27-22-8 (62 points), good for sixth place in the Central Division. Allen had 15 saves for the Blues, who dropped to 37-16-4 (78 points), good for second in the Central; Elliott had three saves before being pulled.

The Blues' four-game home stand continues with a visit from the Boston Bruins at 7 p.m. Friday (Fox Sports Midwest).