

# Press Clippings - 4/17/2023

## – Daily Herald –

### Softball: Dundee-Crown responds, tops Larkin for Slugfest title

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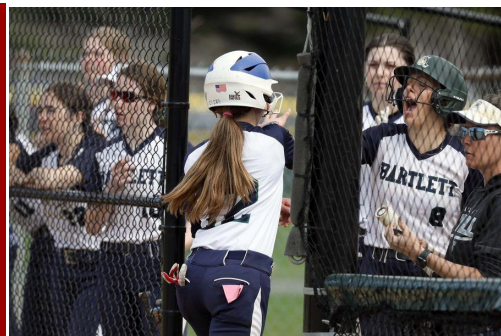
By Dave Hess



**Larkin's Chelsea Herrick, 10,** greets her coach at third base after hitting a triple during the **Larkin softball slugfest** Saturday April 15, 2023 at the Elgin sports softball complex. Brian Hill | Staff Photographer



**Larkin's Baylei Johnson, 32,** slides safely past St. Edward's Madelyn Freeman, 12, into home during the **Larkin softball slugfest** Saturday April 15, 2023 at the Elgin sports softball complex. Brian Hill | Staff Photographer



**Bartlett's Emma Engels 12** is greeted by teammates after scoring during the **Larkin softball slugfest** Saturday April 15, 2023 at the Elgin sports softball complex. Brian Hill | Staff Photographer



**Bartlett's Dani McCoy** reels in a long shot to left field during the **Larkin softball slugfest** Saturday April 15, 2023 at the Elgin sports softball complex. Brian Hill | Staff Photographer



**Bartlett's Elli Klein, 32,** digs up a ground ball during the **Larkin softball slugfest** Saturday April 15, 2023 at the Elgin sports softball complex. *Brian Hill | Staff Photographer*



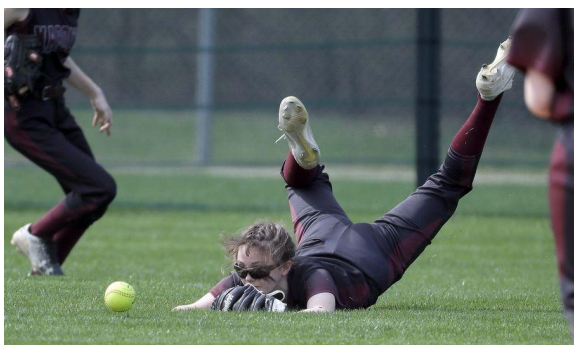
**Bartlett's Christina Stankus, 8,** delivers a pitch during the **Larkin softball slugfest** Saturday April 15, 2023 at the Elgin sports softball complex. *Brian Hill | Staff Photographer*



**Larkin's Baylei Johnson, 32, slides under the tag of St. Edward's Ashley Valdez, 1, during the Larkin softball slugfest Saturday April 15, 2023 at the Elgin sports softball complex. Brian Hill | Staff Photographer**



**Elgin's Madison Gschwend, 2, tries to pull in a long shot during the Larkin softball slugfest Saturday April 15, 2023 at the Elgin sports softball complex. Brian Hill | Staff Photographer**



**Elgin's Grace Tetrev, 9, makes a diving attempt to catch a shot to center field during the Larkin softball slugfest Saturday April 15, 2023 at the Elgin sports softball complex. Brian Hill | Staff Photographer**

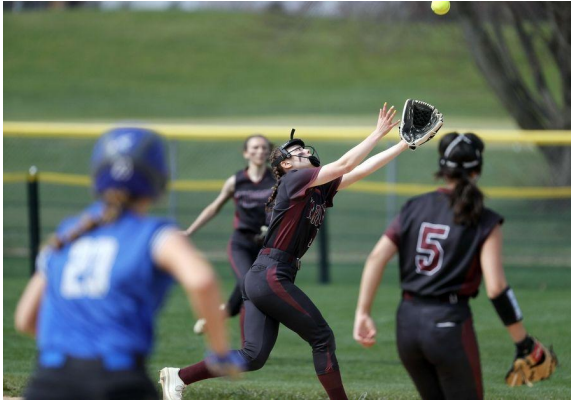




**Elgin's Grace Tetrev, 9, makes a diving attempt to catch a shot to center field during the Larkin softball slugfest Saturday April 15, 2023 at the Elgin sports softball complex. Brian Hill | Staff Photographer**



**Elgin's Naomi Anderson, 16, throws to first base during the Larkin softball slugfest Saturday April 15, 2023 at the Elgin sports softball complex. Brian Hill | Staff Photographer**



**Elgin's Braedyn Tetrev, 10, tries to reel in a pop up by Central's Makayla Larson, 23 during the Larkin softball slugfest Saturday April 15, 2023 at the Elgin sports softball complex. Brian Hill | Staff Photographer**



**Elgin's Madison King, 8, delivers a pitch during the Larkin softball slugfest Saturday April 15, 2023 at the Elgin sports softball complex. Brian Hill | Staff Photographer**

After surrendering three runs to Larkin in the top of the fifth, Dundee-Crown bounced back to score nine runs on nine hits in the bottom of the inning.

Game over.

The Chargers defeated the host **Royals** 11-4 to claim the championship of the **Larkin Slugfest** Saturday at the Elgin Sports Complex.

There was a 43-minute delay because of heavy rains and lightning.

"We responded," said Dundee-Crown coach Matt Goetz. "We got good swings at the plate. I am very proud of the way we played all day."

D-C junior pitcher McKayla Anderson was the recipient of the Chargers' (8-5) 9-run fifth inning onslaught.

Anderson, who hurled a complete game in a 3-1 semifinal win over Burlington Central, gave up 4 runs on 7 hits in the title game. The hard-throwing junior struck out 10 with a walk and 2 hit batsmen.

"Actually the delay helped a little," said Anderson. "I knew when I gave up the lead my team had my back. I was really pumped up after that. My drop curve was really working."

Goetz praised Anderson.

"She was amazing," said the D-C coach. "She had great stuff."

In the critical fifth when 14 Chargers came to the plate, Faith Dierwecter and Kendall Brents provided 2-run singles for Dundee-Crown.

Freshman Jordyn Jeffers supplied the power with a 2-run homer in the fourth.

The Chargers, who had 15 hits in the game, got 3 each from Dierwecter and Annabelle Pederson.

**Baylie Johnson** was 4-for-4 for the **Royals** (6-5) with a double and an RBI single. **Brynn Kerber** had a 2-run double for **Larkin**.

"We had one bad inning," said **Larkin coach Anne Vogt**. "With all the good competition in the tournament, we are happy with second place. Dundee-Crown beat us."

In the semifinals, Dundee-Crown beat Burlington Central 3-1. The Chargers scored all their runs in the third courtesy of a 2-run single by Casi Attapit and a run-scoring single Addison Pino.

Pino paced the Chargers attack with 3 hits.

Anderson, the complete game winner, struck out 7 with 1 walk. She allowed the Rockets 1 unearned run on 4 hits.

Emily Rafferty was the hard luck loser for Central. She struck out 4 without allowing a

walk.

Larkin beat Bartlett 5-3 in the other semifinal after Bartlett defeated Larkin 14-0 in Upstate Eight Conference action earlier in the week.

The Royals turned the tables with a semifinal win.

"We had a bad game, said Vogt. "We got revenge."

## – Daily Herald –

### Girls soccer: West Chicago rallies to tie Batavia, continues improved season

April 15, 2023

By Lou Nunez Jr.

As Cesar Gomez took his West Chicago girls soccer team to Batavia for a Saturday afternoon non conference matinee vs. the host Bulldogs, he had to take with him some positives that his squad's 5-2-3 start had brought them.

- Those five victories had surpassed the combined win total that West Chicago earned in the last two springs when it won just two games each season.
- It was also entering the second half of April in a three-way tie in the loss column in the Upstate Eight Conference standings as it was unbeaten (1-0-3) along with South Elgin (2-0-1) and Glenbard South (4-0).

Which made their contest with a host school that came into the match with a three-game win streak after dropping two of its first three to start the season as a huge measuring stick as to how far it had come and perhaps how far it needed to still travel to reach a position of prominence.

*To read the full article, click [here](#).*

## – Chicago Tribune –

### Baseball, softball and girls soccer scores for the Southland, Aurora, Elgin, Naperville and Lake County



**April 15, 2023**  
**By From Staff Reports - Daily Southtown**  
**FRIDAY'S RESULTS**

**HIGH SCHOOLS**

**BASEBALL**

Benet 10, Marmion 2

Benet (9-3): Marc Iozzo 3-for-3, double, HR, 3 runs, 2 RBIs.

Crete-Monee 6, Argo 3

Crete-Monee (6-5): Jermale Bailey 2-for-4, run, 2 RBIs.

Deerfield 9, Warren 8

Dundee-Crown 10, Burlington Central 9

Geneva 9, Metea Valley 1

Geneva (7-4): Joey Cosentino 2-for-3, triple, HR, 2 runs, 2 RBIs.

Glenbard South 9, **Larkin** 3

Grayslake Central 15, Grant 3 (5 innings)

Grayslake Central (9-3, 5-0 Northern Lake County): Chris Rogers 3-for-3, double, 2 runs, 4 RBIs.

Hinckley-Big Rock 21, Earlville 1 (4 innings)

Jacobs 3, McHenry 0

Jacobs (8-6, 3-3 Fox Valley): Christian Graves CG, 2 H, 8 Ks.

Hampshire 9, Crystal Lake South 2

Hampshire (7-6, 3-3 Fox Valley): Dominick Kooistra 4-for-4, double, HR, 2 runs, 4 RBIs.

Illinois Lutheran 17, Kankakee Trinity 2 (4 innings)

Indian Creek 6, Newark 5

Kaneland 12, Ottawa 9

Lakes 11, Round Lake 1 (5 innings)

Lakes (6-5, 4-2 Northern Lake County): Spencer Kennamann CG, 2 H, 10 Ks.

Lincoln-Way West 16, Minooka 8

Lincoln-Way West (11-4): Kaleb Wilkey 4-for-4, HR, 4 RBIs.

Mount Carmel 7, Joliet Catholic 4

Mount Carmel (8-3): Kevin Zanin 2-for-4, 2 RBIs.

Mundelein 8, Zion-Benton 4

Mundelein (7-2, 3-0 North Suburban): Evan Nirenberg HR, 3 RBIs.

Munster 6, Lincoln-Way Central 1

Providence 13, Marist 3

Providence (11-1): Gavin Gomez 2-for-2, 2 HRs (grand slam), 2 runs, 6 RBIs.

St. Rita 6, Montini 0

St. Rita (11-3, 4-0 CCL Blue): Chris McGrath CH, 4 H, 10 Ks.

St. Xavier (Kentucky) 3, Brother Rice 1

Sandwich 7, LaSalle-Peru 6 (10 innings)

Sandwich (6-6, 1-4 Interstate Eight): Tyler Lissman 3-for-5 double, 2 RBIs.

Sycamore 10, Plano 0 (5 innings)

Wauconda 10, Grayslake North 9

Wauconda (4-6-1, 3-2 Northern Lake County): Ryan Fostiak 3-for-4, 3 runs, 2 RBIs.

Wilmington 11, Beecher 1 (5 innings)

## **THURSDAY'S RESULTS**

### **HIGH SCHOOLS**

#### **BASEBALL**

Aurora Christian 17, Elmwood Park 7 (6 innings)

Aurora Christian (8-2): Conner Kendall 2-for-3, 2 triple, 3 runs, 2 RBIs.

Bartlett 10, Streamwood 6

**Bartlett** (5-8, 4-1 Upstate Eight): Jack Sharko 2-for-4, HR, 2 runs, 5 RBIs.

Burlington Central 3, Hampshire 0

Burlington Central (7-6, 3-3 Fox Valley): Chase Poworozek (W) 6.1 IP, 2 H, 9 Ks.

Coal City 7, Newark 1

Chicago Christian 5, Riverside-Brookfield 2

Chicago Christian (9-3, 2-2 Metro Suburban Red): Rafe Slager 2-for-2, 2 RBIs.

Crystal Lake South 21, Jacobs 10 (5 innings)

Jacobs (7-6, 2-3 Fox Valley): Jake Simpson HR, 2 runs, 3 RBIs.

Gardner-South Wilmington 6, Plano 5

Glenbrook North 17, Highland Park 1 (5 innings)

Grayslake Central 9, Grant 3

Grayslake Central (8-3, 4-0 Northern Lake County): Jordan Dumas double, 3 RBIs.

Hinckley-Big Rock 18, Earlville 3 (5 innings)

Illinois Lutheran 16, Grace Christian 1 (5 innings)

Lemont 10, Reavis 1

Lemont (9-4, 4-0 SSC Blue): Luke Wallace 3-for-4, HR, 2 RBIs.

Lincoln-Way Central 15, Bolingbrook 12

Lockport 13, Lincoln-Way West 8

Lockport (9-4): Jake Shindler 3-for-3, 4 RBIs.

Marian Catholic 10, Tinley Park 4

Marian (7-5): Nick Mangano HR, 2 RBIs.

Metea Valley 10, DeKalb 4

Mount Carmel 7, Ogden International 0

Mount Carmel (7-3): Patrick Hayes 2-for-4, triple, 3 RBIs.

Mundelein 11, Waukegan 6

Naperville Central 16, Waubonsie Valley 4 (5 innings)

Naperville Central (9-4, 2-1 DuPage Valley): Michael Boyce 3-for-3, 2 doubles, HR, 2 runs, 5 RBIs.

Naperville North 8, Neuqua Valley 7

Naperville North (5-2-2, 2-1 DuPage Valley): Tanner Malley GW single in top 7th.

New Trier 9, Deerfield 0

Oak Forest 18, Shepard 4

Oak Forest (8-2, 3-2 SSC Blue): Andrew Lucas 2-for-2, triple, HR, 4 RBIs.

Oswego 10, Joliet Central 3

Oswego (10-5): Cade Duffin double, 3 RBIs.

Oswego East 14, Plainfield East 0 (5 innings)

Oswego East (8-2): Liam Mitchell 3-for-4, triple, HR, 2 runs, 5 RBIs.

Plainfield South 18, Yorkville 3 (4 innings)

Reed-Custer 9, Beecher 5

Beecher (4-7): A.J. Snell 2-for-4, HR, 2 runs, RBI.

Rich Township 10, Crete-Monee 9 (6 innings)

Rich Township (2-4-1, 2-3 Southland): Brandon Bankhead 2-for-3, 2 runs, 2 RBIs.

Richards 21, Bremen 10

Richards (7-5, 4-1 SSC Red): Jacob Gonzalez 5-for-6, 2 doubles, HR, 3 runs, 4 RBIs.

Sandburg 4, Bradley-Bourbonnais 3

Sandburg (11-3-1): Colin Kissane, Charlie Snoreck HR each.

Stagg 12, Homewood-Flossmoor 4

Stagg (4-9): Spencer Sharp 4-for-4, 2 doubles, 3 RBIs.

T.F. South 25, Eisenhower 7 (4 innings)

T.F. South (8-6, 4-1 SSC Blue): Ali Rakim 4-for-4, 3 doubles, HR, 4 runs, 8 RBIs.

Trinity (Kentucky) 9, Brother Rice 5

Brother Rice (7-7): Bryce Nevils 2 RBIs.

Vernon Hills 1, Niles West 0

Vernon Hills: Dylan Eckrote CG, 3 H, 6 Ks.

Wauconda 18, Round Lake 3 (4 innings)

Wauconda (3-6-1, 2-2 Northern Lake County): Joey Lenz 2-for-2, 2 HRs, 3 runs, 5 RBIs.

Westmont 4, Aurora Central Catholic 3

### **LOCKPORT PORTER CUP**

Championship Bracket

Wheaton North 1, Lincoln-Way East 0, championship

Lockport 4, Lemont 0, third

Lockport (9-2-1): Bella Diorio, Brinlee McNabb goal each.

Consolation Bracket

Downers Grove North 6, West Aurora 1, fifth

**Streamwood** 2, Joliet Catholic 0, seventh

### **SOFTBALL**

**Bartlett** 11, **Larkin** 0 (5 innings)

Bradley-Bourbonnais 8, Sandburg 7

De La Salle 14, Adams-Friendship (Wisconsin) 4 (5 innings)

De La Salle (9-8): Samara Agredano 3-for-4, 2 HRs, 3 runs, 3 RBIs.

Deerfield 5, Maine West 3

East Aurora 18, **Streamwood** 5 (4 innings)

Geneva 19, St. Edward 0 (4 innings)

Jacobs 9, Burlington Central 7

Jacobs (4-9, 3-3 Fox Valley): Hope Hernandez 2-for-3, HR, 2 RBIs.



Joliet Catholic 19, Wilmington 2 (5 innings)

Lake Forest 17, Woodlands 2 (4 innings)

Lake Forest (3-4): Bella Ranallo 2-for-3, double, HR, 3 runs, 3 RBIs.

Lemont 12, Reavis 2 (5 innings)

Lemont (7-0, 2-0 SSC Blue): Frankie Rita triple, 2 RBIs.

Lincoln-Way Central 15, Bolingbrook 0 (4 innings)

Lincoln-Way Central (8-3): Teagan Berkshire 3-for-3, double, triple, 4 RBIs.

Lincoln-Way East 9, Andrew 7

Lincoln-Way East (9-4): Maddie Henry 2-for-3, 2 RBIs.

Lockport 4, Lincoln-Way West 3

Lockport (12-3): Giuliana Giordano 3-for-3, double, solo HR.

Metea Valley 4, Waubonsie Valley 3 (8 innings)

Metea (4-9, 2-0 DuPage Valley): Morgan Cleveland GW single in bottom 8th.

Minooka 6, Oswego East 3

Mother McAuley 4, Fenwick 2

McAuley (6-5): Cailyn Mclean triple, run, RBI.

Neuqua Valley 14, Naperville Central 12

Neuqua (4-6, 1-1 DuPage Valley): Izzy Ernest 3-for-3, HR, 4 runs, 3 RBIs.

Plainfield North 9, Oswego 8

Oswego (8-3, 1-1 Southwest Prairie West): Cori Kennedy 3-for-4, 3 HRs, 3 runs, 6 RBIs.

Providence 8, St. Laurence 6

Providence (7-6): Kailee O'Sullivan 2-for-3, 2 RBIs.

Richards 11, Bremen 0 (5 innings)

Richards (5-4, 2-3 SSC Red): Emily Chavosky CG, 2 H, 12 Ks. Milani Juarez 2-run HR.

Shepard 7, Oak Forest 5

Shepard (7-4, 4-1 SSC Red): Kailey Selvage 2-for-3, 2 RBIs.

Sycamore 13, Sandwich 2 (6 innings)

Somonauk 8, IMSA 1

Vernon Hills 6, Maine East 2

Vernon Hills (5-10, 1-0 Central Suburban North): Izzy Loiben 2 triples, 2 runs, 3 RBIs.

Wauconda 9, Grant 4

Yorkville 3, West Aurora 1

Yorkville (11-1, 2-0 Southwest Prairie West): Madi Reeves CG, H, 14 Ks.

Young 7, Marist 5

Marist (11-2): Isabel Cunnea, Camryn Lyons HR, 2 RBIs each.

*Compiled by Josh Krockey.*

To read the full article, click [here](#).

## — Daily Herald —

### Girls soccer notes: Metea Valley shines on St. Louis trip

April 12, 2023

By Chris Walker

Metea Valley, the defending Class 3A state champs, returned from its St. Louis tournament weekend still undefeated.

Competition was fierce, but the Mustangs were able to pick up victories against Granite City and Triad after opening with a scoreless draw against Nerinx Hall (Mo.).

Last year the Mustangs only lost twice all season before winning their first state title in program history. This year, they avenged a 4-2 loss to Nerinx Hall, getting 10 saves from Alyssa Gluting and outstanding play in back from Kaylee Bannack, Kyleigh Jannisch, Zoe Kirkman, Alyssa Parilli and Sydney Phillips.

"It was a good weekend on and off the field," Mustangs coach Chris Whaley said. "It was

good to not only see the starting 11 but also all the girls off the bench. Nerinx (Hall) was tough. And we were playing three games in three days. Triad just won a state title and we didn't know Granite City would be undefeated."

Lucy Burk scored twice during the three-game tournament while Tyra King, Jordan Lange and Lily Senese also found the back of the net.

The Mustangs have a big early conference battle against Neuqua Valley on Thursday leading up to the Bodyarmor tournament beginning this weekend.

Saints march on:

Apparently, if the shoe fits your feet, it is your opponents who you shall defeat.

St. Charles East senior tri-captain Tia Bernstein acknowledged that filling the void left by departed players from a season ago was a key reality heading into the season.

After an 8-0 start in which the Saints have outscored their opponents, 33-5, one must assume that those shoes are fitting pretty darn nicely these days.

"I think we are all coming together nicely," she said. "I think the hardest part was filling the shoes from those from last year and we've done a nice job. Each game we've learned something and continue to grow as a team."

Senior Grace Williams and Mia Raschke have scored 8 and 7 goals apiece respectively already. Williams also has 4 assists while senior Kara Machala leads the Saints with 6 assists and also had 5 goals. Junior Alli Saviano has scored 3 goals and added 3 assists, Mackenzie Loomis has scored 3 times already and Bernstein had scored twice and distributed 4 assists while quickly falling in love with her new leadership role.

"It's been everything I hoped for my senior season," she said. "And we've only played 8 games so I'm excited for the rest of the season."

The Saints will head down to Carbondale this coming weekend to compete in the Fralish Cup which will present an additional challenge of facing teams they know little about. The following weekend the Naperville Invitational begins.

"We're looking to find the best version of self," Saints coach Vince DiNuzzo said. "In Carbondale there will be a lot of unknowns, no comparable results, so we'll go in blindly at best. And then we'll have Sandburg and Neuqua Valley in the Naperville Invite which is the best tournament in the state. We're working on staying healthy and playing for a top four seed in the sectional."

Eye on the prize:

Kaneland is having so much fun this season that the Knights still haven't allowed a goal.

The Knights (5-0) will travel down to Morris (6-3-2, 2-0) on Wednesday.

"I'm pretty happy right now," Kaneland coach Scott Parillo said. "They're playing well. They're getting along well. They are just a fun group of girls."

They're also a group that remembers a less fun moment in time -- losing the Interstate 8 Conference tournament to Sycamore in PKs.

"They're still bitter about how the season ended last year," Parillo said. "Losing to Sycamore stung and they remember."

Senior Brigid Gannon already has scored 8 goals while junior Emily Kunzer has scored 5 goals and distributed 4 assists and fellow junior Jade Schrader has scored 3 goals.

"They are dialed in," Parillo said. "And this is still a young group with five freshmen on the team and we're a smaller group with only 18 on the varsity, but they're ready to go."

Bigger challenges await the Knights this week with Warren, an approximately 4,000-student school, followed by either St. Ignatius or St. Viator. Ultimately, these added tests will bode well for the Knights in the long run regardless of the immediate results.

"This is probably our best group since the 2015 Elite Eight team," Parillo said. "They're not afraid of anybody. They think they can win every game they play. And we do look to challenge them."

Sink or swim:

Huntley (5-1-1) has gotten off to a strong start, learning a great deal after an early 5-1 loss to Stevenson as well as most recently in a 1-1 tie to Burlington Central last week.

"We've learned a lot," Red Raiders coach Matt Lewandowsk said. "Crystal Lake Central is going to be our next big test and then we've got McHenry which has been tough the last three or four years with coach Drew Stegenga."

**South Elgin** (4-2-1) and Wheaton Academy (1-3-1) also loom in the Bodyarmor tournament that begins this weekend.

*To read the full article, click [here](#).*

