

SOFTBALL

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Giddens did open the game with a bunt single. She later stole second with one out but was left stranded at second. In the third, Giddens hit into a fielder's choice and then moved up on a walk to Grace Sander. Both base runners then stole a base, but Mingus induced Jordyn Oaks to pop out to catcher Alivia Cooper and then struck out Jaelynn Oaks.

In the top of the fifth, Giddens had a one out single, but was erased on a fielder's choice. In the top of the seventh, the senior was the second out on a lazy fly ball to right fielder Kylee Willis.

Perhaps the biggest question mark coming into the game was how would Bullitt East handle Assumption freshman pitcher Madison Wood. She had been a teammate with the Lady Chargers before enrolling in the Rockets' program. Wood had little success in the regular season meeting against her former team, but she had become a force as Assumption rolled to the Seventh Region title. Wood had been named to the All-Tournament team after pitching the Rockets past Ballard and Atherton in the last two games.

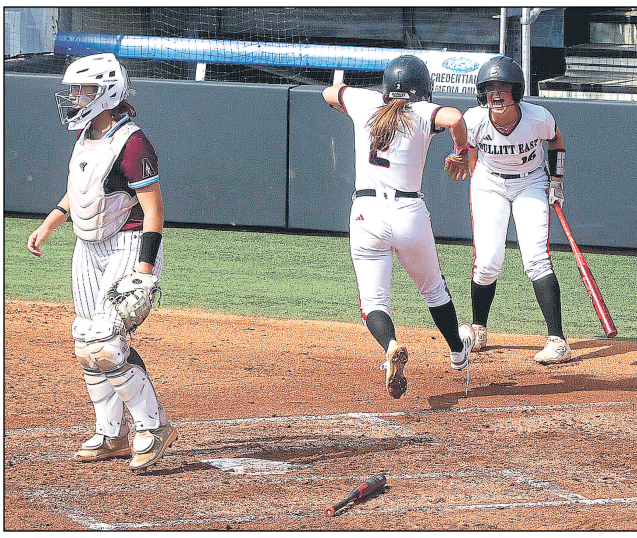
Early on, Wood was the equal of the Lady Charger batters. Bullitt East scored a run in the bottom of the first with a single but then Wood allowed only two hits over the next four innings. The freshman even worked out of a bases loaded jam in the fourth inning by striking out Mollie Johnston.

But the Lady Charger bats finally produced in the fifth frame when the red and gold scored four times on five hits.

Bullitt East finished the game with nine hits. All five of the runs against Wood were earned as she walked three while striking out four. She also hit a batter.

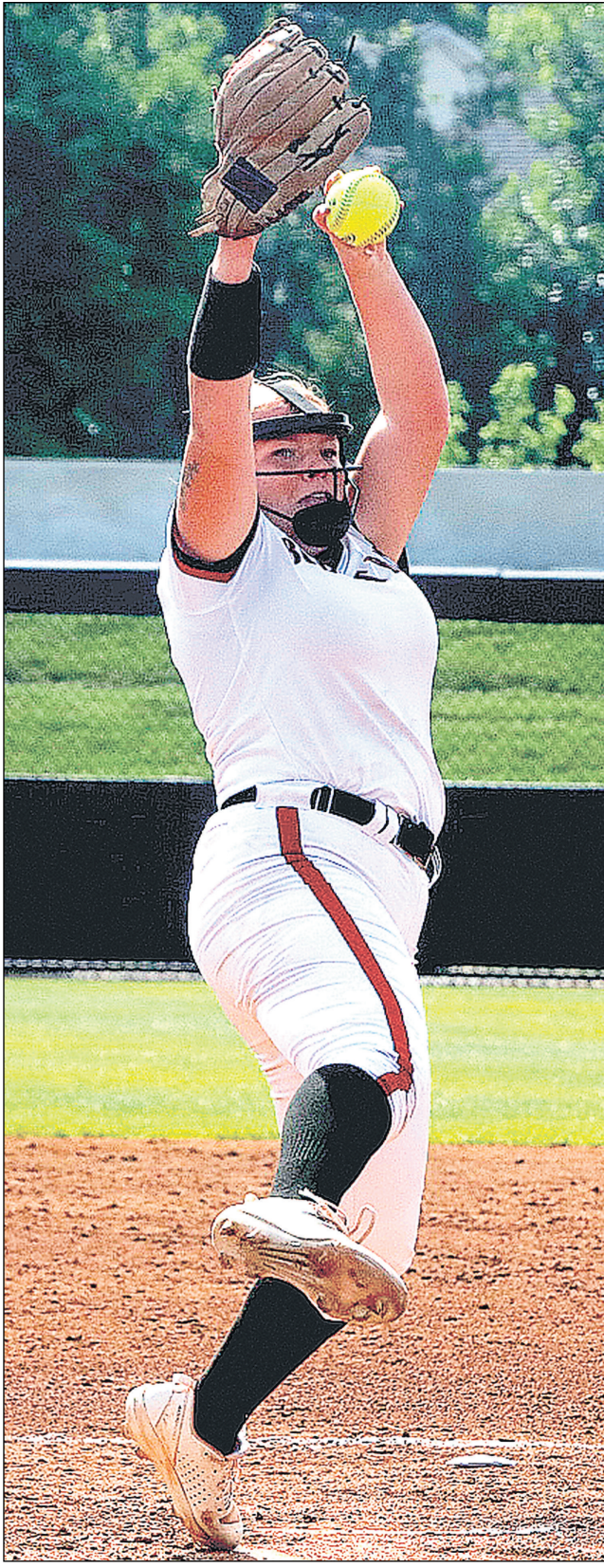
That first Lady Charger run was generated when Cooper was hit by a pitch to open the bottom of the first. Cooper then moved up on a passed ball, but Wood then got Johnston to pop out before striking out Allie Carter. Mingus walked on a full-count. That brought sophomore Kinnley Murphy to the plate and she singled back up the middle, scoring Cooper.

Bullitt East left two runners stranded in the third inning and in the fourth inning Bullitt East loaded the bases with singles by Watrous and Payton Holt. Assumption coach Suzanne Cates took to gamble to intentionally walk Cooper, but Wood got the strike out of Johnston.



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Alivia Cooper is greeted by Ryleigh Watrous after scoring the first run of the game against Assumption.



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Mackenzie Mingus was too much for Assumption to handle in the 5-0 victory for the Lady Chargers.

The constant pressure from Bullitt East finally paid off in the fifth inning. That frame started with a single by Carter and a walk to Mingus. Murphy then had another big play when she got the sacrifice bunt down to move both runners into scoring position. Watrous then plated the first

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Stephen Thomas

Downey continues career at Brescia University

HEBRON ESTATES – In a family that all played basketball, Kylie Downey really had no choice but to follow in their footsteps.

However, the daughter of Christopher and Jessica Downey went a step further.

She graduated recently from North Bullitt High School as the Lady Eagles' all-time leading scorer and she was named the Bullitt County Player of the Year after her junior and senior seasons – only the second female in the county to accomplish such a feat.

The guard will be taking her talents to Owensboro as she enrolls in Brescia University. This came after considering offers from a number of other schools, including Bellarmine University.

"When my mom and I took my visit, I fell in love with the campus and the area it was in," said Downey. "I also really liked the coach."

Basketball started at the age of 4. She loved to play and to watch. And she quickly began to play travel ball, as well as her career at Hebron Middle prior to crossing the parking lot to play for the Eagles.

Throughout, Downey has focused on playing basketball, a sport she loves.

And she expects to be competing for minutes on the court when play begins this fall.

In a career full of highlights, she said the best memory will be on the night she broke the school's all-time scoring record. Ironically, she eclipsed the previous mark set by her aunt, Katie Downey.

Looking back, she credited her father, who also served as head coach for the Lady Eagles.

"He always pushed me to be the best I can be," said Downey. "And he's always believed in me."

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Budget Hearing Regarding Proposed Use of County Road Aid and Local Government Economic Assistance Funds

A hearing will be held by the Bullitt County Fiscal Court at the Bullitt County Courthouse at 300 South Buckman Street in Shepherdsville, Kentucky on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. for the purpose of obtaining citizens' comments regarding the possible uses of the County Road Aid (CRA) and Local Government Economic Assistance (LGEA) Funds. All interested persons in Bullitt County are invited to submit oral or written comments on possible uses of the CRA and LGEA Funds to crenfrow@bullittky.com. Any person(s) who cannot submit written comments but wish to submit comments should contact the Office of the County Judge/Executive at (502) 543-2262 no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, June 15, 2026, so that arrangements can be made to secure their comments.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE FAMILY COURT OF WAYNE COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

TO:

Khalid Fahed Alshaheen. Magistrate Court Case No.: 26-M50D-00052
967 HENSLEY ROAD Family Court Civil Action No.: 26-DV-40
SHEPARDVILLE, KY 40165
Respondent's Date of Birth 11/12/1994

ORDER OF PUBLICATION (PROTECTIVE ORDER/HEARING DATE)

1. The object of this suit is to obtain protection from the Respondent

2. The object of this publication by Class 1 legal advertisement is to notify Respondent of the PROTECTIVE ORDER prohibiting the above-name Respondent from having contact with certain individuals. This Order may affect property and other rights of the Respondent. Violating this Order may subject the Respondent to criminal sanctions. The Respondent is strongly encouraged to obtain a copy of this Protective Order and Petition from the Circuit Clerk of the county listed above.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

If appearing by evidence duly taken in this action that you could not be found in or that you have left the State of West Virginia, you are hereby notified of the ORDER referenced above, a copy of the Petition and Order may be obtained at the WAYNE County, Circuit Clerk's office. This PROTECTIVE ORDER will remain in effect until July 1, 2026.

A Final Hearing is scheduled for the 1st day of July, 2026, at 1:30 P.M., before the WAYNE County Family Court.

Issued this 06-03-2026 2:50pm

Regina K. Thompson
Circuit Clerk