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STATE SLOW PITCH STATE TOURNAMENT SATURDAY

The 2007 KHSAA Slow Pitch Softball State Tournament is set for Saturday, May 19 at the RiverShore Sportsplex in Hebron. Eight teams, including two-time defending champion Holy Cross-Covington, will battle for the title in the double elimination event with play beginning at 9 a.m.

General Admission will be \$6 each, with those under six years of age admitted for free. Fans are invited to bring their lawn chairs and are reminded that pets and outside coolers are not permitted inside the park facility.

Results of the event will be posted on the Association website at the conclusion of the event. To view the tournament bracket, use the following link <u>http://www.khsaa.org/slowpitchsoftball/</u>.

REGIONAL TENNIS THIS WEEK

Tennis enters postseason play this week with Regional Tournaments slated for May 14-19. The 2007 Fifth Third/KHSAA State Tennis Championships are slated for next Thursday through Saturday, May 24-26. On Thursday, boys' doubles action will be held at Madison Southern High School and boys' singles action at Berea College. Both girls' doubles and singles action will be held at the UK Boone/Downing Tennis Complex in Lexington. Thursday's admission at all venues is free.

On Friday, all play will be held at the Boone/Downing Tennis Stadium. General admission, good for the entire day, will be \$3 each with those under six admitted free. Saturday's play will also be UK and all-day general admission will be \$6 each – those under six are free.

FIRST CORBIN FINANCIAL CORPORATION/KHSAA SPORTSMANSHIP WINNERS

Kristina Kirk of Woodford County and Zack Wright of Trigg County were name overall statewide winners at the 2007 First Corbin Financial Corporation/KHSAA Sportsmanship Recognition Banquet held May 6, at the Embassy Suites in Lexington.

KHSAA member schools each selected one boy and one girl as the local school sportsmanship winner. School winners were then eligible to be selected as the regional winner. From the 32 regional winners, one boy and one girl was selected as the state winner and received a one-time \$3,000 scholarship courtesy of First Corbin Financial Corporation. Selection criteria included: Grade-Point-Average; letters of recommendations; leadership roles/honors; response to case study essay; verification of no game disqualifications.

Each regional winner received a plaque, a mantle clock from the KHSAA Officials Division and a windbreaker and \$200 book scholarship courtesy of First Corbin.

Following are the regional winners:

- Region 1- Samantha Workman (Hickman County); Michael Gossum (Graves County)
- Region 2 Tredene Davis (Madisonville-North Hopkins); Zack Wright (Trigg County)
- Region 3 Ashley Prince (Owensboro); Brad Bilbro (Muhlenberg North)
- Region 4 Erika Murphy (Cumberland County); Marcus Steele (Warren Central)
- Region 5 BreAnna Milby (Green County); Troy Meno (Ft. Knox)
- Region 6 Kathleen Thompson (Bullitt East); Nicholas George (Pleasure Ridge Park)
- Region 7 Haley Kilgore (Jeffersontown); Jared Stafford (Christian Academy-Louisville)
- Region 8 Rachel Sipp (South Oldham); Joshua Shipp (Grant County)
- Region 9 JoAnn Vrabel (Covington Latin); Nathan Dilts (Dayton)
- Region 10 Katie Robertson (Bourbon County); Collin Jones (Montgomery County)
- Region 11 Kristina Kirk (Woodford County); Cory Kays (Madison Central)
- Region 12 Donald Walker (Mercer County); Ashley Dollins (Rockcastle County)
- Region 13 Ariel Robinson (Williamsburg); A.J. Jusino (Williamsburg)
- Region 14 Tabitha Crane (Estill County); Matthew Williams (Hazard)
- Region 15 Olivia Harris (Pikeville); Aaron Warren (Belfry)
- Region 16 Clerrinda Walker (West Carter); Chris Harris (Raceland)

SIX STUDENTS SELECTED TO ATTEND NFHS NATIONAL STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Six students have been selected to represent the KHSAA and attend the 2007 National Federation of High School Associations' Student Leadership Conference. The Conference is scheduled for July 19-22 and will be held in Indianapolis, Ind.

Over 300 students from throughout the United States will be in attendance. Attendees will hear from motivational speakers, perform community service and experience breakout sessions on topics such as hazing, leadership and safe practices. The students will also return to serve as advisors and staff the KHSAA HYPE Student Leadership Conference scheduled for August 29.

Congratulations to the following selected to attend:

Raven Price (Henry Clay), Lauren Duvall (Bourbon County), Lauren Forsythe (Paris) Alex Boswell (Logan County), Trey Edwards (Lincoln County), Matthew Schumann (Model)

The entire trip is funded by T-Mobile through a corporate sponsorship with the NFHS.

UPCOMING KHSAA EVENTS

- May 14-19 **Regional Tennis Tournaments** KHSAA Slow Pitch Softball State Tournament May 19 May 21-26 **Regional Track Meets** District Baseball & Fast Pitch Softball Tournaments May 21-26 Fifth Third/KHSAA Boys' & Girls' State Tennis Tournaments, Lexington May 24-26 May 28-June 2 Regional Baseball & Fast Pitch Softball Tournaments State Track & Field Meet, Lexington June 1-2 June 6-8 Semi-State Baseball Series Fast Pitch Softball, Jeffersontown June 8-9 June 13-16 Fifth Third/KHSAA State Baseball Tournament
- June 19 Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame Golf Scramble (for 2008 Class)