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LADY KINGS ARE QUEENS OF THE DIAMOND IN CLASS 2A

The third trip to the finals was a charm for the Lady Kings of Lewis Cass as they defeated Frankton, 3-0, to capture this year s IHSAA Class 2A state championship.

After two lengthy rain delays that marred the game, Cass scored what would be the winning runs in the bottom of the sixth inning with two outs. Brittany LoCoco lined a single over a leaping Frankton shortstop scoring Ashley Snider and Danya Long to break open a scoreless tie. Frankton then misplayed a fly ball to leftfield by Haley Tolle that scored LoCoco.

Junior Ollmay Wilson (22-2) struck out eight batters and helped Cass win their final 23 games of the year to finish 28-2. They were coached by Brent Blinn.

Frankton, coached by Jeremy Parker, finished the season 27-3 and as the runner-up for the second straight year. Senior pitcher Kayla Powell recorded five strikeouts for the Eagles. Junior Samantha Hymes had both hits for Frankton.

It was only the second state championship in any sport for Cass, which also took the 2003 2A championship in boys basketball.

The first rain delay began in the bottom of the second inning and lasted three hours and five minutes; the second one which interrupted the sixth inning went for 35 minutes.

Frankton s Kayla Powell named Mental Attitude Award winner

Kayla Powell of Frankton High School was recognized by members of the IHSAA Executive Committee as this year so recipient of the Mental Attitude Award in Class 2A softball.

Powell finished as her class salutatorian this year and is a member and officer of the National Honor Society. She is also involved in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Spanish Club. FCCLA and the Prom Committee.

Athletically, she is a four-year letterwinner in softball in which was the starting pitcher on two consecutive state runner-up teams. She also won three letters in basketball.

She has earned a softball scholarship to Indiana-Purdue at Fort Wayne where she plans to study nursing.

She is the daughter of Jeremy and Angie Parker and Bob Powell.

Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance, the corporate partner of the IHSAA, presented a \$1,000 scholarship to Frankton High School in the name of Powell.