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## Carmel 8th Grader Wins Hoosier Heroines Essay Contest

Winning essay focused on women in the field of science

Indianapolis, IN (March 30, 2016) – The Indiana Treasurer of State Kelly Mitchell is pleased to announce the winner of the 2016 Hoosier Heroines Essay contest for grade 8 is Maddie Nagel from Clay Middle School.

Each year, students in grades 5-9 have the opportunity to complete an essay challenge for a chance to visit the Indiana Statehouse as a special guest of First Lady Karen Pence and Indiana's statewide female office holders.

For the 2016 Hoosier Heroines contest, the 8<sup>th</sup> grade contestant's essay topics were to be regarding Hoosier women in the field of science. From many great submissions, Treasurer of State Kelly Mitchell has chosen Maddie Nagel as the winner of her category.

Maddie's essay titled <u>Janice E. Voss: A Leading Women in Science and Space</u> describes the incredible journey of Janice E. Voss. Born in South Bend, Ms. Voss's work for NASA and in the fields of space and science have made an everlasting impact on the world. Maddie also describes how Ms. Voss directly has influenced her in various ways.

On March 30th, Maddie will visit the Statehouse where she will read her essay aloud and visit with Treasurer Mitchell and her office.

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