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Mount Mercy Academy Sports Round-Up

Cross Country

The Mount Mercy Cross Country team picked up its first two wins of the season last week, narrowly defeating Mount Saint Mary 27-28 and Gow School 26-50. Senior Grace Harrington (West Seneca) won the race in a time of 23:05. Freshman Ellie Godsoe (Buffalo) placed fourth, finishing in a time of 24:53. Junior Rheanna Welsh (Lackawanna) was right behind her in fifth place with a time of 24:59. Junior Angelina Larivey (Lackawanna) and freshman Jillian Schneck (Buffalo) rounded out the top five for the Magic. Three Magic runners competed in the Alden Bulldogs Invite this weekend. Senior Katie Hughes (Orchard Park) and Schneck ran their best times of the year.

Varsity Volleyball

The Mount Mercy Varsity Volleyball team won one of two matches last week. The team lost in three games to Saint Mary’s of Lancaster. Junior Kate Ryan (Buffalo) had three kills, a block and seven strong digs. Senior Olivia Seifert (Lakeview) and junior Olivia Jarosz (West Seneca) served well for the Magic. For the second time this season, the Magic downed Olmsted in non-league action. The team won in three games, 25-8, 25-8 and 25-14. Injuries and illnesses did not slow down the Magic, as everyone stepped up their game. Ryan collected five kills and five aces. Junior Megan Quinn (Hamburg) had four assists and 11 aces. She served fifteen straight serves in the first game and collected ten of her aces during that run. Seifert had five aces and seven assists and senior Ally Pajek (West Seneca) had three kills and two blocks.

JV Volleyball

The Mount Mercy JV Volleyball team won one match and lost one match last week. The team showed improvement against Saint Mary’s of Lancaster but lost. Freshman Sofia Milosevski (Lakeview) had a kill, an assist and an ace and sophomore Kyra Soto (Buffalo) added a kill and two aces. The Magic defeated Olmsted 25-11, 25-14 and 25-13. Sophomore Mary Vattes (Buffalo) had a kill and two aces. Milosevski had three kills, an assist and connected on 29 serves, amassing 12 aces. Sophomore Grace Spero (Buffalo) had a kill, five assists and four aces.

Varsity Soccer

The Mount Mercy Varsity Soccer team won one of three games last week. The week started with a heartbreaking 1-0 loss to Olmsted. The teams battled hard with Olmsted scoring late in the
second half. The Magic’s offense exploded in its game against Central Christian, winning the game 7-1. Freshman Madelyn Hart (Buffalo) scored not only her first varsity goal, but tallied three goals. Junior Gianna Lauciello (Orchard Park) and sophomore Mya Wood each had a goal and two assists. Junior Emily Kessler and freshman Abby Mailloux (Buffalo) also scored once. Mount Mercy fell to Buffalo Seminary 5-1 in its final game of the week. Wood added the only goal on a header from Lauciello’s corner kick. Coach Brittany Myers credited Wood with playing with a lot of heart and having a great game.

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