Mount Mercy Academy Sports Round-Up

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Varsity Bowling

The Mount Mercy Varsity Bowling team swept Buffalo Seminary 4-0 in its only match of the week. Junior Allison Mazurkiewicz (Blasdell) had her best match, rolling a 512 with games of 200, 169 and 143. Fellow junior Samantha Batchev (Lackawanna) had a 435 with a high game of 175 and freshman Olivia Coleman (Lackawanna) had a strong match with a 429, including a best game of 160. The team has a record of 25.5-6.5.

JV Bowling

The Mount Mercy JV Bowling team had a strong match, defeating second place Sacred Heart 3-1. Senior Kate Marabella (Cheektowaga) led the way with a 380 series total and junior Breanna Sikora (Buffalo) followed closely with a 368. Marabella rolled games of 123, 142 and 115 while Sikora had a high game of 151. Senior Chloe George (Buffalo) added a 116 for the Magic.

Monsignor Martin League Hockey

The Monsignor Martin League Hockey team won its only contest of the week, defeating previously unbeaten Clarence-Amherst-Sweet Home 6-2. Senior Sophie Robinson (Buffalo) scored twice for the Monsignor Martin team, scoring the second and fifth goals for the team.

Varsity Basketball

The Mount Mercy Varsity Basketball Team split its two contests last week, defeating Nardin and losing to Nichols in non-league action. The Magic defeated Nardin 42-27 and fell to Nichols 34-28. The Magic started slowly against Nardin, trailing 4-3 after the first quarter. Coach John Glose turned to his bench to jump start his team and the strategy worked as the Magic took the lead 15-14 at the half. Mount Mercy employed a strong defensive effort and an offensive attack that hit six three pointers. Josslynn Strang (Westfield), a junior and Xoie Ferrentino (West Seneca), a sophomore, paced the offense with ten points each. Sophomore Katie Hughes chipped in with nine points, hitting 3 of 4 three pointers she attempted. Strang also added six rebounds and four steals. Senior Emma Fredo (Buffalo) hit both shots she took and added four steals and displayed great hustle, along with junior Alesia Hamm (Buffalo).

Mount Mercy had a 23-21 lead entering the fourth quarter, but was unable to sustain the lead. Ferrentino was the leading scorer for the Magic with seven points and Strang added six points, four steals and three rebounds. Sophomore point guard Tierney Ashe had five points and four rebounds. Cecilia Strang (Westfield) came off the bench and hit her first three pointer of the year. The coaches were pleased with the team’s defensive effort, holding Nichols to 34 points and accumulating 12 steals. Hamm was the team’s leading rebounder with seven boards.

JV Basketball
The Mount Mercy JV Basketball team won its only game of the week, defeating Nardin 34-22. The Magic started slowly, trailing 8-3 at end of the first quarter. The team played strong defense, holding Nardin scoreless in the second quarter and bounced back to take a 9-8 lead at the half. They added to the lead in the third quarter going ahead 22-16. Sophomore Britney Meredith (Cheektowaga) led the team with eight points and freshman Emily Kessler (West Seneca) added seven points. Lizzy Lang (Buffalo) scored six and Lily Kasperek (Forestville) had five. Coach Molly Gasuik thought that “Lizzy Lang and Emily Kessler outworked the Nardin forwards, they got position and got a lot of offensive boards and boxed out on the defensive end. I thought Lily Kasperek played awesome especially in the second half she took advantage and drove to the basket getting a few key baskets. I was very proud of the way our team responded especially after the first quarter. We played as a team and fought back and did not allow Nardin to take the lead.”

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