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Mount Mercy Academy Sports Round-Up

Tennis

The Mount Mercy tennis team won two matches and lost one last week. The Magic lost to Niagara Catholic 4-1. First singles player sophomore Maddie DiGiore (Lakeview) won her match 6-3, 6-3, avenging the outcome of an earlier match. Seniors Sophie Robinson (Buffalo) and Paige Siebold (West Seneca) reunited as doubles partners for the first time and lost a highly contested match 5-7, 6-4 and 4-6.

The Magic defeated Park 5-0. DiGiore won at first singles 6-1 and 6-4. Robinson won at second singles 6-4 and 6-1 and Siebold won at third singles 6-4 and 6-0. Seniors Kayleigh Mighells (Lackawanna) and Kate Marabella (Cheektowaga) swept first doubles by scores of 6-2 and 6-1. Sophomores Emily Howard (Buffalo) and Lily Kasperek (Forestville) earned their first win at second doubles, 6-0 and 8-6.

Mount Mercy faced Park again and won 4-1. DiGiore won her match 6-3 and 6-2. Robinson won both of her sets 6-1 and Siebold won 6-0 and 6-1. The second doubles team of Howard and Kasperek won 6-1 and 6-0.

Lacrosse

The young Mount Mercy Lacrosse team lost three games last week, one in league play and two in non-league action. The team lost a non-league contest to East Aurora, 21-4. Senior Abby Hillery (Hamburg) led the way with two goals. Senior Mary Barnes (Fredonia) and freshman Gracee Donovan each added a goal.

The team faced Mount Saint Mary's in league play and had a hard time against the defending champions. Donovan had a goal and an assist, Hillery had another goal and sophomores Tierney Ashe (Buffalo) and Sara Geiser each added a goal. Junior Julia Orcutt (West Seneca) had 13 saves in net.

The team travelled to Seneca Falls to face Mynderse Academy. Donovan scored twice and Geiser netted one goal.

Softball

The Mount Mercy Softball team played three games last week, splitting two league games and losing a non-league game.

The Magic faced league foe Nichols in the first game of the week and won 19-9 in six innings. The offense started hot, scoring six runs and cracked six hits in the top of the first inning. Senior Fiona Danahy (Buffalo) started things off with a with a three run home run. The next batter senior Taylor Hoch (East Aurora) tripled and was driven in by senior Mary Bala’s single. Bala then scored on sophomore Tina Zambron’s (Lakeview) first of two home runs. Winning pitcher senior Laura Gregory (Buffalo) had two triples. Zambron ended the game going four for four at the plate and scoring four runs. Senior Emily Lewandowski (East Aurora) added three hits and scored four runs. Senior Allison Rogowski (West Seneca) added three hits.

The Magic’s offense stalled against Nardin, losing 3-1. The team managed only four hits. Rogowski had two hits and the lone RBI. Lewandowski had a double and scored on Rogowski’s single. Danahy added a single. Rogowski took the loss on the mound.
Mount Mercy travelled to face Royalton-Hartland, the leading team in their league and one of the top teams in WNY and fell 11-6. Zambron went three for three at the plate and drove in a run. Lewandowski and Gregory each had two hits. Lewandowski also had an RBI. Rogowski’s triple drove in one of the Magic’s runs. Danahy added a hit and two RBIs and Hoch also had a hit. Gregory took the loss on the mound.

Track

The Mount Mercy Academy track team finished its season with its best record in several years, earning three wins while suffering four defeats. In the Magic’s last tri-meet of the season the team defeated Park School and lost to Nardin. The team also competed in the Williamsville Invitational last week.

Senior Christina Billittier (Angola) was the lone first place finisher in the league meet. She won the triple jump with a leap of 30’ 5 1/2”. Freshman Gianna Lauciello (Orchard Park) placed second in the 200 meter dash with a time of 13.22. Senior Hellen Modi (Buffalo) placed third in the 200 meter dash and sophomore distance runners Grace Harrington (West Seneca) and Bella Morcelle (West Seneca) placed third in the 3000 and 1500 meter runs, respectively. Freshmen Rheanna Welsh (Lackawanna) took fourth in the 400 meter run and Megan Reilly (Hamburg) placed fourth in the 200 meter dash. Sophomore Olivia Seifert (Lakeview) finished fourth in the 800 meter run.

The team concludes its season with the All-Catholic Championships this weekend.