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Mount Mercy Academy Sports Round-Up

Varsity Bowling

The Mount Mercy Academy Varsity Bowling team continued its winning ways, sweeping Sacred Heart Academy 4-0. Senior Samantha Batchev (Lackawanna) led the way with a 493 set, including a 198, 150 and 145. Fellow senior Allie Mazurkiewicz (Blasdell) rolled a 159 and 158. Sophomore Olivia Coleman (Lackawanna) had a 149, 146 and 140 and junior Allysyn Pajek (West Seneca) had a 160 and 144.

JV Bowling

The Mount Mercy JV Bowling team defeated the Blind (the team must beat an average score of (85 per person-340 total) 4-0. Freshman Annie Bernard (Orchard Park) had a 123, freshman Dominique Khoury (Buffalo) had a 119 and junior Bella Morcelle (West Seneca) had a 119.

Varsity Basketball

The Mount Mercy Varsity Basketball team opened its season with an impressive defensive showing, holding Maryvale to just seven first half points while opening up a 29-7 halftime advantage. Sophomore Hannah Fredo (Buffalo) led the team's offense with 11 points. Junior Tierney Ashe added nine points and two steals. The real story of the game was the impressive, tenacious team defense that the team used. The Magic utilized a full court press to set the tone. Coach John Glose said "This was a great start to our season. We look forward to an amazing season using all 12 girls. We have the strength, heart and passion to achieve our goals."

The Magic lost a close game to East Aurora 38-35. Mount Mercy jumped out to a 21-12 halftime advantage, but East Aurora outscored the Magic 28-14 in the second half. Senior co-captain Alesia Hamm (Buffalo) led Mount Mercy with 13 points, including three 3 point baskets. Fredo chipped in six points and sophomore Emily Kessler (West Seneca) added five points.

JV Basketball

The young and inexperienced Mount Mercy JV Basketball team suffered two losses in its opening contests. The team has only two returning players from last year, captains Megan Reilly (Hamburg) and Angelina Larivey (Lackawanna). The team has one new sophomore and ten freshmen. The team dropped non-league games to Maryvale and East Aurora.

The team played aggressive defense in its opener against Maryvale, forcing 20 turnovers but early foul trouble plagued the team. Freshman Desiree Diaz-Torres (Lackawanna) led the team with five points, three rebounds and three steals. Reilly added four points, four rebounds and three blocked shots. Freshman Grace Spero (Buffalo) had seven rebounds. New coach Peter Krug felt that the team displayed many positives for him to build on throughout the season.

Larivey led the team against East Aurora with four points and three rebounds. Krug singled Larivey out for her tenacious defense, forcing many jump balls throughout the game. Reilly added two points and two rebounds. The team struggled against East Aurora's full court press, turning the ball over too often. Krug felt that East Aurora was a formidable opponent and his team's youthfulness was a disadvantage.

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