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## Mount Mercy Academy Sports Round-Up

### Monsignor Martin League Hockey

The Mount Mercy contingent on the Monsignor Martin Hockey team had a big week. The team won two games and tied a third. The team defeated Iroquois-Depew-Lancaster 3-2 in its first game of the week. Senior Fiona Danahy (Buffalo) scored two goals and assisted on the third goal. Senior Sophia Robinson (Buffalo) also tallied a goal and sophomore goalie Grace Harrington (West Seneca) had ten saves and earned the victory in the net.

The team avenged its only loss in the second game, defeating Williamsville 4-2. Danahy scored a goal and added an assist. Robinson scored the game winner with 2:30 left in the third period and freshman Gracee Donovan (Orchard Park) added an empty net insurance goal. Harrington was in net for the seventh straight game and made 29 saves.

In its third game in three days, the team earned a 2-2 tie in overtime against Kenmore-Grand Island. Harrington was again in goal, recording 40 saves. Donovan scored one of the team's two goals. The team currently holds a 9-1-2 record and is in second place.

### Varsity Bowling

The Mount Mercy Varsity Bowling team lost to league leading Mount Saint Mary 4-0 last week. The team rebounded against Buffalo Seminary in the next match and won 3-1. Juniors Allison Mazurkiewicz (Blasdell) and Samantha Batchev (Lackawanna) led the team. Mazurkiewicz rolled a 457 set (169-148-140) and Batchev had high games of 156 and 141. Freshman Olivia Coleman (Lackawanna) had a high game of 141.

### JV Bowling

The Mount Mercy JV Bowling team lost both of their matches last week to the top two teams in the league, Sacred Heart and Mount Saint Mary. Senior Kate Marabella (Cheektowaga) totaled a 126 and a 135 and junior Breanna Sikora (Buffalo) had a 119 against Mount Saint Mary.

### Varsity Basketball

The Mount Mercy Varsity Basketball team had a successful week, winning both of its league contests. The team defeated Park School 48-27 and Niagara Catholic 56-38. The team currently has a record of 7-6 and is 2-1 in league play.

Junior Josslynn Strang (Westfield) led the way against Park with 18 points. The entire team contributed to the win with 9 of the team's 11 players scoring at least two points.

Balance was again the key against Niagara Catholic as the entire team again contributed to the victory with 9 players again reaching the score sheet. The future looks extremely bright for the Magic as two freshmen led the team in scoring. Cecilia Strang (Westfield) led the team 15 points and Hannah Fredo (Buffalo) added 12 points. The Magic took the lead early in the contest and never looked back. The team used full court pressure to force turnovers that led to easy baskets.

### JV Basketball

The Mount Mercy Junior Varsity Basketball team evened its league record with a 46-27 win over Niagara Catholic. The team holds an overall record of 6-5 and is 1-1 in league play. The team used an aggressive full court press to its advantage in the game. The team worked the ball around and drew fouls while driving to the basket. Sophomore Britney Meredith (Cheektowaga) led the team's offense with 16 points. Freshman Catherine Zak (Hamburg) chipped in with eight points and Erin Jackson (Buffalo) added five points. Coach Molly Gasuik was pleased with both her team's strong start and improved foul shooting, a focal point of recent practices, were keys to the win. She also praised the defensive play of freshman Angelina Larivey (Lackawanna). She helped slow down Niagara Catholic's top player and the entire team did well with its help defense.

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