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Mount Mercy Academy Sports Round-Up

Softball

The Mount Mercy Varsity Softball team lost its first league game of the year, falling to Mount Saint Mary's 3-1 in the team's final regular season game. Despite the loss the team finished as co-Champion of the league and earned the first seed in the playoffs.

The Magic's offense which had consistently been strong faltered against Mount Saint Mary. The team managed only five hits over seven innings. Junior Allison Rogowski (West Seneca) had two of the team's five hits. Senior Mallory Ashe (Buffalo) and juniors Emily Lewandowsk (East Aurora) and Chloe Manikowski (Depew) had the other three hits. Rogowski took the loss on the mound, giving up seven hits and three runs while striking out six.

The Magic will play Sacred Heart in the play-off semi-finals.

Tennis

The Mount Mercy tennis team finished its regular season with a 4-6 record, losing its last match 3-2 to Niagara Catholic. The first doubles team of juniors Sophie Robinson (Buffalo) and Emma Fredo (Buffalo) and the second doubles team of juniors Olivia Andriaccio and Maggie O'Malley both won their match in straight sets. Singles competitors seniors Marisa May (Buffalo) and Sheryl Little (Cheektowaga) and sophomore Breanna Sikora (Buffalo) all lost close matches.

The tennis team closed its season competing in the All-Catholic Championships. Singles competitors May and freshman Maddie DiGiore (Lakeview) lost to the top players in the league. The doubles team of Robinson and Sikora won their first round match but fell to a strong Mount Saint Mary's duo 6-3 and 6-2.

Lacrosse

The Mount Mercy Lacrosse team won two of three last week to finish with a 7-3 league record. The team will face Sacred Heart in the semi-finals of the League Playoffs.

The Magic played their final home game against Saint Mary's of Lancaster and had no trouble defeating the Lancers. The team raced out to a 12-2 halftime lead and cruised to a 17-4 victory. Senior Arielle Brown (Buffalo) led the offensive attack with six goals and two assists. Junior Mary Barnes (Fredonia) added four goals and three assists. Senior Brigid Lempko (West Seneca) contributed three goals. Seniors Sam Lawicki and Anne Bamrick of Buffalo both added a goal and an assist. Sophomores Mariah Rullan (Buffalo) and Julia Orcutt (West Seneca) each scored a goal. It was Orcutt's first goal of the season. Freshman Tierney Ashe (Buffalo) had two assists and sophomore Madeline Szwed (Cheektowaga) earned an assist. Senior goalie Brianna Gawronski (Dunkirk) had ten saves and her first assist of the season.

The team's lone loss came against Sacred Heart. The team had a hard time getting untracked, losing 15-5. The game was close at halftime, with the Magic trailing 6-3 but they were outscored 9-2 in the second half. Bamrick led the scoring with a goal and two assists. Brown, Barnes, Lempko and Lawicki each added a goal. Lempko and senior Clare McKeone (Hamburg) each tallied an assist.

The Magic played their third game in four days and defeated Buffalo Seminary 5-4. The game was tied at two at the half. Bamrick continued her strong offensive play, scoring twice. Barnes, Lempko and Rullan each found the net once. Lempko also had two assists and Barnes had one.

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