

# McQuaid enjoys banner week in trio of sports

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Getting motivated for a rematch with Wilson might have been the simplest task ever for the McQuaid Jesuit swim team.

Back on Jan. 9, the Knights outswam the Wildcats but lost 44-42 when their 200-yard freestyle relay was disqualified when one swimmer left his starting block too soon.

On top of that, the return trip to the Wilson pool last Tuesday, Feb. 4, would determine whether Knight Coach John Tobin would continue his long, long string of City-Catholic League championships.

It wasn't even close this time. The Knights blew Wilson right out of the water, 56-30. McQuaid went on to a 52-33 win at East on Feb. 6 to finish 7-1 in league competition and tie for first place with Wilson.

McQuaid turned in eight first-place finishes against Wilson, including double victories from sophomores Mike Byerts (200 individual medley, 100 backstroke) and Doug Kazley (50 freestyle, 100 free).

Another MCQUAID team looking in peak condition is the hockey squad, which recorded its sixth straight win, 4-2 over host Batavia, on Feb. 8.

The Batavia victory, which followed a 7-6 triumph over Irondequoit in a game played at Lakeshore Rinks three nights earlier, gave the Knights a 10-5 record.



McQuaid Coach John Tobin celebrates after his Knights' win over the Wildcats.

Freshman forward Marty Reasoner had a hand in all seven goals against Irondequoit, finishing with three goals and four assists. The Knights featured four different goal-scorers against Ba-



McQuaid's John Halligan races to a first-place finish in the 500-meter freestyle against Wilson Feb. 4.

tavia. MCQUAID also had a strong week on the ski slopes: the Knights took first place overall against four other schools at Brantling on both Feb. 5 and Feb. 7. Joe Huss led the Knights by winning both the slalom and giant slalom in the Feb. 5 meet, and teammate Brian Foster placed first in the giant slalom on Feb. 7.

The BISHOP KEARNEY hockey team (5-11) recorded one of its best wins of the year, 7-3 over high-scoring Hilton on Feb. 5 at Brockport State. According to Coach Rob Liberatore, defenseman Cory Tinsley, Todd Smith and Dave O'Neil as well as goalie Alex Vigneri — an eighth-grader who stopped 29 shots — all played outstanding.

AQUINAS INSTITUTE (13-2) con-

tinued its hold on first place in Monroe County Division 1 hockey by winning 7-3 over Batavia on Feb. 5 at Lakeshore. Senior forward Grady Monks became the school's all-time leading point-getter with his three-goal, two-assist outing, bringing his career total to 155.

The ELMIRA NOTRE DAME wrestling team (12-1) won 61-12 over host Hornel on Feb. 5 and 47-18 over visiting Trumansburg on Feb. 7.

Crusader sophomore Dan Wilson recorded two pins last week at 177 pounds to improve his dual meet record to 13-0, including 12 pins. And senior 126-pounder Brad Seymour, who recently picked up his 100th career victory, won twice by major decision.

## Mercy edges AQ for third time to remain undefeated

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Cliche-bashing is in for the Our Lady of Mercy girls' basketball team.

With their 45-44 win over Aquinas Institute last Thursday night, Feb. 6, the Monarchs dismissed the notion that you can't beat a good team three times in the same season.

And by going 10-for-13 from the foul line in the fourth quarter, they obviously didn't buckle under to the mounting pressure that undefeated teams are supposed to feel as their winning streak grows.

The Private-Parochial League game packed the McQuaid Jesuit High School gym, which has a seating capacity of 800. In addition to their victory over Aquinas, Mercy won three games last week to raise its record to 15-0: 67-50 over host Wilson on Feb. 3, 69-16

over visiting Nazareth Academy on Feb. 4 and 63-51 at home over Franklin on Feb. 8.

The Mercy-Aquinas contest was tight from start to finish. Mercy went on a decisive five-point run in the closing minutes as Sheila Doyle made a three-point play and Mimi LaMagna added a basket to turn a 39-38 deficit into a 43-39 lead.

AQ's Amy Reynders scored with 20 seconds to go, but Mercy's Amy Martin answered with two free throws for a 45-41 edge. The game's final points came on a Reynders three-point basket as time ran out.

Mercy's balanced offense featured Doyle and Martin with 13 points each and LaMagna with 10. Reynders topped the Irish with 18.

Aquinas (14-3) rebounded quickly from the Mercy loss, taking first place in last weekend's Wellsville Tourna-

ment. The Irish won 35-32 over Allegany on Feb. 7 and 40-33 over Wellsville in the Feb. 8 finals. Reynders gained tournament Most Valuable Player honors, scoring 24 points in the title game.

The ELMIRA NOTRE DAME boys (7-9) made a stirring comeback in their Feb. 8 road game against Trumansburg, coming from 13 points down in the fourth quarter to win 56-53.

Senior forward Bryan Woodworth was the key performer, scoring a season-high 20 points and pulling down 19 rebounds. Senior guard Andy Cain also hit his season high with 13 points, including eight in the final period.

How important is Joe Raniewicz to the BISHOP KEARNEY boys' offense? The junior guard scored 20 points in a 63-54 home win over Syracuse Bishop Ludden on Feb. 3, the sixth straight

time he's totaled 20 or more. Raniewicz has reached the 20-point plateau on 10 occasions this season; nobody else on BK has done it even once. The Kings (9-8) are 8-2 in those games and 1-6 in the others.

The GENEVA DESALES boys (10-4) won their second game in a row — and fourth in its last five — with a 65-58 home win over Naples on Feb. 7.

The KEARNEY girls (9-6) picked up two wins last week: 54-34 over visiting Rush-Henrietta on Feb. 4 and 48-41 over host Franklin on Feb. 6. Senior forward Jenny Lynch was BK's top point-getter both times, scoring 14 points against R-H and 22 against Franklin.

NAZARETH ACADEMY freshman forward Dionne Robinson made a great effort in a losing cause, totaling 24 points and 13 rebounds during a 59-51 home loss to Pavilion on Feb. 7.



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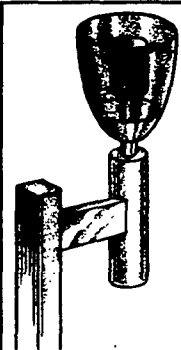
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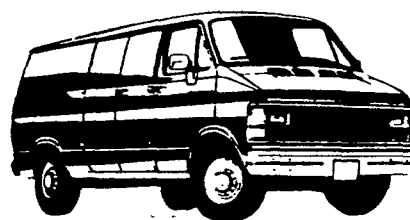
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