

# MLC SportsPage



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## Women's Tennis Wins UMAC Opener

The women's tennis team earned its first win of the season with a 9-0 sweep at North Central at Baseline Tennis Center on Thursday, March 31.

The match was the Knights' first of the conference season, and MLC came out strong. In doubles, MLC won all three matches by the scores of 8-3, 8-0, and 8-0.

In singles competition, the Knights swept all six matches in straight sets. **Acacia Foss** (Saint James MN), **Rachel Riediger** (Luther), **Elizabeth Broring** (LPS), **Charis Goelzer** (LPS), and **Sophia Birner** (LPS) each won in both singles and doubles. **Melissa Stibb** (LPS) and **Mateja Epple** (LPS) accounted for the other two points.



Riediger goes for the backhand

## Weather Slows Start to Spring Season



Coach Pearson in the dugout

After a great month of March that allowed all spring sports teams valuable practice time outdoors, the weather was uncooperative last weekend as the track, baseball, and softball teams each saw games canceled.

The track and field teams were scheduled to open the season at Saint Mary's on April 2, but that meet was canceled due to inclement weather. The men and women will now open the season this weekend at Dordt College.

The softball team was looking forward to the start of conference play, but games scheduled at UW-Superior were postponed until this weekend, when it will also play at Northland. The baseball team also lost games last weekend against Crown and Bethany Lutheran, and is ready for the start of the UMAC season this weekend at UW-Superior.

## Schultz Unbeaten to Start Conference Play

Sophomore men's tennis player **Ethan Schultz** (LPS) started the conference portion of the schedule with 2-0 records in both singles and doubles.

### Upcoming Events at MLC

- 4/7 MT @Buena Vista
- 4/8 WT v. Bemidji State  
SB @UW-Superior
- 4/9 TK @Dordt  
BB @UW-Superior  
SB @Northland

Schultz teamed with **Nicolas Gartner** (MVL) to win both number three doubles matches last week against North Central and St. Scholastica by the scores of 8-6 and 8-4.

Schultz also won both his number six singles matches. On Thursday, he won in straight sets against NCU, and then came from behind to win against St. Scholastica in three sets Friday night.



Schultz hits the forehand