

# MLC SportsPage



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## Football Wins Opener

The football team won its season opener at Minnesota Morris in a 14-7 thriller Saturday.

The teams were tied in the final minute until first-year quarterback **Zach Bloomquist** (*WISCO*) hit junior receiver **Josh Arndt** (*SCLHS*) over the middle for a 19-yard touchdown with 15 seconds left to give the Knights the seven-point win.

The defense was dominant all night, holding the Cougars to 17 rushing yards on 25 attempts. The Knights forced two UMM turnovers and also sacked the Cougars' quarterback four times in the game. First-year safety **Kenton Fabian** (*WISCO*) led the way with seven tackles, two tackles for loss, and one sack.



Arndt eyes the end zone

## Volleyball Splits Tournament to Open Season



Grev goes up for the kill

The volleyball team opened its season with a 2-2 finish at the 2017 St. Olaf/Carleton Volleyball Invitational last weekend.

The Knights started with a pair of defeats on Friday against Valley City State and St. Olaf, but came back to sweep the second day with a three-set win over Hamline and a four-set win over Crown.

Senior **Jade St. Germaine** (*LPS*) led the way against Hamline with ten kills and zero attack errors. Senior **Rylee Weisensel** (*MVL*) led the team with four blocks.

Senior **Kira Grev** (*SCLHS*) finished with a match-high 12 kills in the win against Crown, while senior **Taylor Weber** (*KMLHS*) led the team with 14 digs.

## Bitter Takes First at SMU

Sophomore cross country runner **Ben Bitter** (*WISCO*) took first place at the 2017 Saint Mary's Alumni Open 4-Mile Run on Saturday.

### Upcoming Events at MLC

- 9/6 MS v. Gustavus  
VB @St. Catherine
- 9/8 VB @UW-Oshkosh Tourn.
- 9/9 VB @UW-Oshkosh Tourn.  
VB @MacMurray  
WS @Saint Mary's  
MS @Saint Mary's

Bitter finished in a time of 21:32.2 and won the race by 15 seconds. Sophomore **Ryan Gurgel** (*KMLHS*) finished third, while senior **Justin Wilkens** (*Haymarket VA*) took tenth place.

The women took third in the team standings thanks to top ten finishes by first-year runners **Leah Miller** (*LPS*) and **Rebecca Boehlke** (*SCLHS*), as well as junior **Sydney Cody** (*Lakeside*).



Bitter leads the pack