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MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE

Men Looking for First Win of New Year

The men's basketball team finished 2018 with wins over UW-Superior and Marian, but it's still looking for its first victory in 2019.

The Knights opened the new year with a close loss at St. Scholastica, and followed that up with tough defeats against Maranatha and Minnesota Morris before falling to Northwestern-St. Paul on Saturday, January 12.

MLC leads the UMAC in points allowed per game (70.4) during UMAC play and has held opponents to just 28.6 percent from beyond the three-point arc during conference action. Junior forward **Ian Paulsen** (*LPS*) leads the UMAC in blocks per game (2.0) while ranking third in steals per game (1.9).



Paulsen lays it up and in

Softball Returns to Practice



Timm on defense in center

The softball team won't play its first game until February 16, but the Knights started getting ready for the season with their first official practice on Sunday, January 13.

MLC started slowly in 2018 as the weather made life difficult on every team in the conference, but it closed the season with a bang by winning six of its last seven UMAC games to finish in sixth place in the standings with an 8-8 league record.

Seniors **Audrey Timm** (*Luther*) and **Kayla Rosenbaum** (*Michigan LHS*) lead a host of returning talent, which includes junior pitchers **Rebecca Pruss** (*WLA*) and **Morgan Palubicki** (*Winona MN*). Timm earned First Team All-UMAC honors in centerfield in 2018 after hitting .396 with four home runs, 22 runs batted in, and 21 runs scored.

Women Looking to Get Back on Track

The women's basketball team is looking to get back on track after a tough start to the new year against strong competition.

Upcoming Events at MLC

- 1/16 WBB v. Crown
MBB v. Crown
- 1/19 WBB @Northland
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- 1/23 WBB v. Bethany Lutheran
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The Knights finished 2018 with defeats to the top two teams in the UMAC (UW-Superior and Bethany Lutheran), and added losses to open 2019 against the third- and fourth-place teams in the conference, Minnesota Morris and Northwestern.

Emily Witkowski (*Michigan LHS*) leads the Knights with 10.4 points per game this season.



Witkowski drives the base line