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MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE

Volleyball Defeats Storm in Four

The volleyball team moved to 2-0 with a 3-1 win at Crown in the final non-conference tune-up match of the season on March 4.

The Knights jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the match after taking the first two sets 25-17 and 25-13. After the Storm took the third game, the Knights closed out the match with a 25-16 win in the fourth and final set.

Kelsey Birschbach (*Lakeside*) led the team with 14 kills and 21 digs. **Kylie Wolf** (*FVL*) recorded a double-double of her own with a team-best 25 assists to go with 11 digs. **Rhianna Hunter** (*LPS*) and **Hannah Willems** (*Lakeside*) each recorded eight kills.



Wolf sets the attack

Women Show Growth in Defeat at BLC



Gosch pulls up for three

The women's basketball team saw its season come to an end in the opening round of the UMAC Tournament with a 75-64 defeat at Bethany Lutheran.

The sixth-seeded Knights battled the third-seeded Vikings throughout the game and played one of its best games of the season. MLC trailed by only four points (54-50) heading into the fourth quarter and hung within striking distance until the final minutes, when BLC finally put the game away at the free throw line.

Sophomore **Erika Gosch** (*GPLHS*) led the Knights with a career-high 23 points, while senior **Emily Witkowski** (*Michigan LHS*) scored 15 points to go with five assists and four rebounds. Witkowski finished her career fourth in program history with 1,025 career points.

Season Ends for Men at UNW

The men's basketball team played tough but could not muster enough offense to top Northwestern in a 71-60 defeat in the opening round of the UMAC Tournament.

The Knights trailed by seven at halftime and cut the deficit to one point near the midway point of the second half, but the Eagles used an 11-0 run to create distance down the stretch to secure the win.

Jack Heichelbech (*LPS*) led MLC with 15 points, while **Joseph Hirsch** (*LPS*) added 14 points on 6-8 shooting from the field. **Caleb Westra** (*LPS*) led the Knights with seven rebounds.



Heichelbech shoots the jumper

Upcoming Events at MLC

- 3/11 VB @Bethany Lutheran
- 3/13 VB @St. Scholastica
- 3/17 VB v. North Central
- 3/19 SB v. Finlandia (DH)