

# PINSTRIPLE TIMES

RECAP >

## EXTRA INNINGS THRILLER

After Friday night's game with Anoka was washed out by rain, the Saints would end up just playing once last week. This one game, though, would end up being ESPN "Instant Classic" worthy.

Optimist Park was in pristine condition on Sunday afternoon as the Saints took the field to face the hometown Litchfield Blues. Right-handers Jordan Flick and Joey Hyde would go toe-to-toe on the mound. Flick pitched 7 innings of 2-run ball, but Joey Hyde would outduel him, going a strong 8 shutout innings of his own.

Offensively, neither team could string much together. At different times in the game, both teams would get a runner or two on, only to be foiled by the pitching and leather-flashing defense. A bevy of diving catches and strong throws kept scoring threats at bay.

In the 9th inning, down 2-0, Jack Ramthun would come on to attempt to close out the game for the Blues. The Saints rallied back, however, with a Michael Leffler pinch-hit single and a Jordan Flick HBP. Jacob Niemela grounded in to a fielder's choice before Nikolai Niemela would single, scoring a pinch-running Gus Flick. Graham Jacobson delivered the game-tying run on a single, scoring Josiah Bullivant.

Knotted at two, Jacob Niemela threw very well in relief for the Saints, but the Blues would eventually walk-off the Saints in the bottom of the 10th for the 3-2 victory.

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 17TH - 7:00PM

SAINTS FIELD

FREE POPCORN COUPON - RUN THE BASES  
50/50 "BASEBALL BLAST" - PICTURES WITH THE PLAYERS

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UPCOMING >

## ELEMENTARY NIGHT TOMORROW!

Tomorrow night is "Elementary Night" as the Saints take on the Glencoe Brewers. All D-C elementary students and their families get free admission to the game, free popcorn, and more! Visit dcsaints.com for more details. The Saints are on the road this weekend with a Friday friendly in Cold Spring and an important NSL matchup on Sunday in Waverly.

**HITTERS OF THE WEEK**

NOAH HALONEN  
JIM ALTHOFF

|      |      |    |
|------|------|----|
| .500 | .600 | 1  |
| AVG  | OBP  | SB |

WEEK 2

**PITCHER OF THE WEEK**

JORDAN FLICK

|    |      |      |
|----|------|------|
| 7  | 2.57 | 1.00 |
| IP | ERA  | WHIP |

WEEK 2

POW >

## THREE PLAYERS TAKE THE HONORS FOR WEEK 2

Both Noah Halonen and Jim Althoff stood out as Hitters of the Week in Week 2. With identical 2-4 performances, Halonen added a walk and Althoff was hit by a pitch. Both hitters tallied a stolen base in the one contest this past week. Other hitters of note include Michael Leffler, who delivered a pinch-hit single that would start a 9th inning comeback rally, and Graham Jacobson, who knocked in the game-tying run.

Jordan Flick picks up Pitcher of the Week honors, throwing 7 strong innings, giving up just two runs, striking out three, while issuing zero walks. Jacob Niemela looked solid in relief as well, throwing 2.1 innings while striking out two batters of his own.

With just one game last week, it was tough to pick the top performers. Things should get interesting with three games slated for this week.