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## SAINTS SPLIT NSL GAMES

It was a classic battle on Wednesday night in Dazzel, as the Saints hosted one of their #MBA100 partners, the Delano Athletics. It would end up being a Jordan Flick vs Mike Weber rematch on the mound.

The good guys struck first, taking a 1-0 lead, and would tack on two more as the game went on, including a solo bomb by Tyler Brandel. But after chipping away and finally busting out in the top of the 8th inning, The A's would end up winning the bout, 4-3. Delano is now 10-0 on the season and currently ranked #2 in the Minnesota Baseball Association.

The weekend kicked off on Saturday with a friendly matchup in Brownton for a great cause. It was "Townball Knocking Out Cancer" day, and the Saints would face off with the Brownton Bruins in the first of three scheduled games for the event. To say the game was a wild one would be the understatement of the century. This short summary simply won't do it justice, but the Saints had two separate double digit comeback efforts, scoring 10 and 12 runs in the 5th and 6th innings, winning potentially the weirdest baseball game in team history by a score of 24-20.

The weekend ended in much calmer fashion, with a 6-2 win over Maple Plain. Jacob Niemela was once again dialed in on the mound, pitching 7 strong innings. Clutch hitting in big spots, including 8th inning doubles by Tyler Brandel, Nikolai Niemela, and Collin Krick, secured the "W".

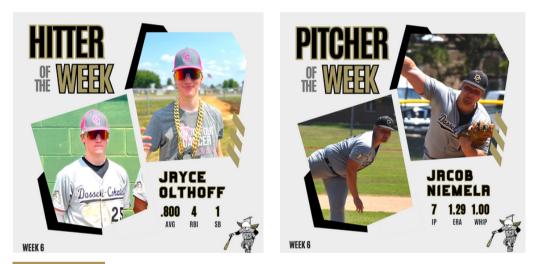
### HALL OF FAME NIGHT 6/16/23



#### UPCOMING >

## HOF NIGHT THIS FRIDAY!

Three league games this week, including road trips to Howard Lake on Wednesday and Rockford on Sunday. You won't want to miss Friday's home game with Loretto, however, because it's Dave Borg and Craig Wessman Hall of Fame Night! Come help us celebrate two great careers as we take on the visiting Larks!



#### POW >

## OLTHOFF AND NIEMELA TAKE WEEK 6 PLAYER OF THE WEEK HONORS

Saints young gun, Jayce Olthoff, made an impression in his first game of the 2023 season, tallying 4 hits, driving in 4 runs, scoring two runs, and swiping a base on Saturday to earn Hitter of the Week honors. Others in consideration were Graham Jacobson, who batted .400 on the week with four runs and 5 RBI, Jim Althoff batting .455 on the week, and Collin Krick batting .385 with 5 RBI.

Once again on the mound, Jacob Niemela shined earning another Pitcher of the Week honor, tossing 7 innings of one-run ball against Maple Plain, giving up just 4 hits and striking out 6. Josiah Bullivant was perfect on the week, throwing a clean inning of relief with a strikeout against Brownton to close out that game.

The Saints took two of three games on the week, splitting the North Star League contests, which sits them at 4-5 in league play. Another big week ahead with three NSL games on the docket.

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