# Saturday Sports Round-Up: Alton, McGivney Girls Lead Area Efforts With Titles, Alton Boys Fall In Fifth-Place Game

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#### **BOYS BASKETBALL**



Redbirds Split Centralia Holiday Tournament - Fall To Chatham Glenwood In Fifth-Place Game

At the Centralia Holiday Tournament at Arthur L. Trout Gym, Alton won in the fifth place semifinals over Champaign Central 51-47, but later in the day, lost the fifth-place game to Chatham Glenwood 40-33, The Redbirds are now 8-6 for the year.

In the consolation final, the Memphis Home Education Association, a home school team from Memphis, defeated Belleville West 59-51, while the host Orphans won the final over Chicago Marist Catholic 50-40.

# 10<sup>TH</sup> EFFINGHAM-TEUTOPOLIS CHRISTMAS CLASSIC

In Saturday's fifth-place game at the Effingham-Teutopolis Christmas Classic, Highland won over Effingham St. Anthony Catholic 56-53. Highland is now 9-7, while St. Anthony goes to 11-3.

In the consolation final, Newton won over Mattoon 53-40, the seventh-place game was won by the co-host Wooden Shoes, who defeated Oak Lawn 56-46, and Dixon defeated St. Louis Lutheran North in the third-place game 69-63.

# 62<sup>nd</sup> BREESE MATER DEI CATHOLIC CHRISTMAS TOURNAMENT

In the ninth-place game of the Breese Mater Dei Catholic Christmas Tournament, McCluer High of Ferguson, Mo. Defeated Metro-East Lutheran 58-32. The Comets are now 3-9, while the Knights fall to 1-8.

In other games on the final day of the tournament, Orchard Farm, Mo., won over Chicago Bowen for seventh place 79-55, Mascoutah defeated the host Knights for fifth place 51-48, and Trenton Wesclin won the third place game over Nashville 64-38.

#### GIRLS BASKETBALL



### CENTRALIA CHRIST OUR ROCK LUTHERAN WINTERFEST

### **Griffins Win Holiday Tournament In OT For Second Year Straight**

Father McGivney Catholic captured the championship of the Centralia Christ Our Rock Lutheran Winterfest 39-34 over Greenville in overtime.

In the third place game, Staunton bounced back nicely from their first loss in the semifinal to defeat Pinckneyville 55-32, Trenton Wesclin won the fifth place game over Louisville North Clay 47-31 and Chester won the consolation final over Sandoval 69-49.



#### MORTON COLLEGE HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT

<u>Alton Lady Redbirds Soar High Again - Capture Morton College Tournament</u> With Four Wins

Alton's girls defeated Batavia 57-39 to win the Morton College Tournament Saturday evening.

#### **MVCHA HOCKEY**

In recent Mississippi Valley Club Hockey Association results, starting on last Tuesday, Dec. 26, at the McKendree Rec-Plex in O'Fallon, Edwardsville defeated Columbia 7-0, while Granite City and O'Fallon ended in a 3-3 stalemate. At the East Alton Ice Arena, Alton won over Bethalto 8-1 and East Alton-Wood River defeated Highland 6-1.

On Thursday, Dec. 28, at the RP Lumber Center in Edwardsville, Edwardsville won big over St. John Vianney Catholic 10-0, while Freeburg/Waterloo defeated Triad 9-4. At the Wilson Park ice rink in Granite City, Belleville won over O'Fallon 3-2, while the host Warriors turned back Collinsville 8-3,

In the only game scheduled for Friday, Dec. 29, at the McKendree Rec-Plex, Columbia took a 6-2 decision over Collinsville.