

Lady Cats lose two to Paola on Senior Night



Louisburg catcher Reilly Ratliff-Becher receives a throw home Thursday against Paola. Ratliff-Becher hit her first home run, but the Lady Cats lost both games on Senior Night.

It wasn't the Senior Night the Louisburg softball team was hoping for when it hosted rival Paola last Thursday at Lewis-Young Park.

Paola dominated both games in a pair of 15-0 and 16-1 victories over Louisburg. Despite the outcomes, the Lady Cats still had something to celebrate as they honored their three seniors for their commitment to the program.

Karson Griggs, Molly Rison and Madison Svoboda were all recognized with their parents in-between games and have been a big part of the Wildcat team the last four seasons.

All three have been All-Frontier League players for the Lady Cats, while Rison was a first-team all-state selection a year ago.



Louisburg seniors (from left) Molly Rison, Karson Griggs and Madison Svoboda were honored in-between games Thursday on Senior Night.

Paola's offense was just too much for the Lady Cats as the Panthers got a pair of home runs from Halle Schindler and Hannah Menefee to lead the way in the opener.

In the nightcap, Schindler again caused more problems for Louisburg as she hit two more home runs and Jenna Collier added another for Paola as the Panthers jumped out to another big lead.

Louisburg got a run of its own late in the second game as junior Reilly Ratliff-Becher hit her first career home run to left field that gave the Lady Cats their lone score.

EUDORA DOWNS LOUISBURG IN MAKE-UP GAME

On May 6, the Louisburg softball team traveled to Eudora for a make-up contest and the Lady Cats couldn't keep up with the Cardinals in a 10-1 loss.

Alyse Moore and Reilly Ratliff-Becher each recorded two hits each to lead the Lady Cats, while Karson Griggs added a double. Moore also had the team's lone RBI.

Madison Svoboda, Paige Eccher and Brooklyn Diederich also had hits for Louisburg.