

## Heick stars as Mustangs split

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OLATHE, Kan. - Jess Heick had a big game to remember Saturday as the Mount Mercy softball team topped MidAmerica Nazarene, 11-5, in the second game of their Heart of America Conference doubleheader.

MidAmerica Nazarene won the first game, 7-4.

Heick went 4-for-5 with two homers and six RBIs in the 11-5 victory in Game 1. The Mount Mercy third baseman had belted only one homer all season before connecting twice on Saturday.

Jaicee Lyons went 2-for-2 with three RBIs for the Mustangs in the victory. Payton Bruner, Jessica Miller and Jolona Shield had two hits. Tawny Menster drove in two runs.

Jayna Witzany (11-7) pitched a complete game for the victory.

Shield and Anna Stenberg had two hits for the Mustangs in the opener. The game was tied, 4-4, with one out in the bottom of the seventh when Kaleigh Bayless hit a three-run homer for MidAmerica Nazarene to end the game.

Mount Mercy finished the regular season at 30-20 overall and 20-16 in the conference. MidAmerica Nazarene is 18-24 overall and 14-20 in the league.

Mount Mercy will host the Heart of America Conference tournament at Busse Field from May 1-4.

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### GAME 1

**Mount Mercy** 001 300 0 - 4 8 0  
**MidAmerica Nazarene** 011 020 3 - 7 9 1

Menster and Miller. Robinson and Ryan. W - Robinson. L - Menster (12-4). 2B - Shield. SB - Bruner. RBI - Miller, Stenberg, Braughton.

### GAME 2

**Mount Mercy** 200 023 4 - 11 16 1  
**MidAmerica Nazarene** 100 003 1 - 5 7 5

Witzany and Miller. Smith, Al.Denges (6) and Au.Denges. W - Witzany (11-7). L - Smith. 2B - Bruner. HR - Heick 2. SB - Menster, Bruner 2. RBI - Heick 6, Lyons 3, Menster 2.