MHS Magic Bats Go Silent As Gals Dumped In Regional

The clock struck midnight for the Mulvane High School softball team but the magic was gone.

The softball season ended Monday afternoon, May 14, in the first round of the Wichita Region III 4A-6A Softball Regional played at Two Rivers Park. Goddard scored early and often as the Lions moved on to the next round with a 17-7 triumph over the Wildcats.

Wichita Region III Regional

First Round

Mulvane 003 031--7 8
Goddard 258 002--17 12

Kendra Banzet, Terri Holman 3, and Shaunda Smith; Murray and April Jatzlau.

First Game

Mulvane (11)01 11--14 7
Bluestem 010 00--1 4
Kendra Banzet and Shaunda Smith; Gleason, Maryke
2, and Graves.

Second Game

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Term Holman and Shaunda Smith; Gleason, Maryke 3,

and Graves

Mulvane ended the season with a 7-12 record.

"Goddard's good, but we didn't look as sharp as we have the last couple of weeks," said Dale Landes, the MHS softball chief. "You get into this kind of situation and it's one game and your out. But you have to give Goddard credit. They hit the ball well and we didn't. We weren't as aggressive in

the field as we have been in the last few weeks, and it cost us."

The Lions scored two in the first, then shelled MHS starter Kendra Banzet for five in the 2nd and eight more in the 3rd to put the game away.

Mulvane didn't get on the scoreboard until the 3rd when Shaunda Smith tripled to right-centerfield after Kendra Banzet had singled and Holly Donaldson had reached on a fielder's choice. Smith scored when Tricia Turner grounded out.

In the 5th, Donaldson started a three-run rally with a single. After a walk to Smith and a single by Stacey Taylor filled the bases, Turner singled in two runs and Paula Cooke plated another run when she grounded out.

The only other Mulvane run scored when Shanda Vangas singled and Smith blooped an RBI hit in the 6th.

Landes' club finished the regular season with a doubleheader sweep of Bluestem Thursday, May 10, at Leon.

Mulvane pitchers Banzet and Terri Holman limited the Bluestem batters to only six hits—Banzet spinning a four-hitter and Holman a two-hitter in her first pitching outing.

"We took advantage of a lot of walks and some good pitching by us," said Landes. "Terri did a good job in her first game on the mound. We started working on her pitching earlier in the week and she finished with a complete game. I thought she did a solid job, and she pitched well in relief against Goddard."

Mulvane jumped ahead in the first inning with 11 runs against Bluestem. Six walks opened the game before Holman's single scored two. After the dust had cleared, there were 10 walks and singled by Vangas, Banzet, Donaldson and Holman, all bringing in runs.

In the second game, a bases-filled triple by Banzet was the big blow in a six-run 4th inning.

Five in the first got the Wildcats off and running. Banzet, Donaldson and Smith all walked in front of singles by Taylor and Turner, scoring three. A bunt single by Holman on a squeeze play scored another tally and Turner scored on a wild pitch.

Banzet scored four times as did Smith. Taylor, Turner and Holman all scored three times in the second game against Bluestem.

