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NINTH WEEK BIRDS EYE FOODS-SECTION V SOFTBALL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

One girl, a freshman pitcher, threw a seven-inning no-hitter with 17 strikeouts and one walk in her team's quarterfinal sectional win. She was among those that have been named Birds Eye Foods-Section V Softball Players of the Week*. Here are the players that earned this honor in the ninth week of this season.

ALLEGANY I: Susie Black of Fillmore ... Senior first baseman *Black*, outstanding on defense, is batting .480 this season with 40 RBI's.

ALLEGANY II: Kelby Harvey of Canasraga ... Sophomore pitcher *Harvey* pitched a three-hitter against Andover in the Sectionals. She also had four stolen bases. She is hitting .498 for the season.,

CITY-CATHOLIC: No Candidate Submitted.

FINGER LAKES EAST: No Candidate Submitted.

FINGER LAKES WEST: Megan Hotchkiss of Red Jacket and Jen Alden of DeSales ... *Hotchkiss*, a freshman pitcher, threw a seven-inning no-hitter with 17 strikeouts and one walk in her team's quarterfinal sectional win over Cuba –Rushford. She also was one-for-two at the plate with a double and two RBI's.

Alden, a senior pitcher, threw a seven-inning one-hitter with 15 strikeouts in her team's quarterfinal sectional win over Friendship. At the plate she went one-for-three with a two RBI single.

GENESEE: No Candidate Submitted.

LIVINGSTON I: Sarah Wolcott of Wayland-Cohocton ... Sophomore *Wolcott* was two-for-two with a double, walk and two RBI's in a first-round sectional game against Midlakes. She also had two assists.

LIVINGSTON II: Alex Flint of Keshequa ... Eighth grade pitcher *Flint* struck out seven, walked no one and gave up just two hits and one earned run in her team's Class DD quarterfinal win over Arkport. She also scored the tying run, going one-for-three at bat.

MONROE I: Alissa Dixon of Webster Schroeder... Freshman pitcher *Dixon*, had a no hitter with 12 K's and only two walks in a quarterfinal sectional win over Penfield. She also was one-for-three with a run scored.

MONROE II: Erika Hoppner of Webster Thomas and Riley Johnson of Greece Athena ... Senior pitcher *Hoppner* gave up only four hits, one run and struck out 11 in a 2-1 quarterfinal sectional win over Churchville-Chili.

Johnson, a freshman pitcher, making only her second start of the season due to an injury, pitched seven innings giving up five hits, one earned run and striking out eight in a quarterfinal win over Canandaigua.

MONROE III: Bethany Wolff of Brighton and Lacey Clark of Victor ... Senior pitcher *Wolff* won two sectional games with a 0.00 ERA, 19 strikeouts and two walks in 12 innings. She also batted .667 with a home run, double and a .750 on base percentage.

Clark, an eighth grade second baseman, was five-for-10 this past week with three doubles and four RBI's in Victor's two sectional victories.

PRIVATE-PAROCHIAL: No Candidate Submitted.

STEUBEN I: Autumn Stone of Campbell Savona ... Senior pitcher *Stone* had 19 K's and one walk in 13 innings while giving up only one unearned run. At bat she had four RBI's including a three-run triple. Further, she drove in the winning run in the eighth inning of the game that resulted in her team moving to the sectional semifinals.

STEUBEN II: Beth Bentley of Prattsburgh ... Senior pitcher *Bentley* capped her three-year varsity career by pitching complete games in a 17-4 victory over Scio and a 2-0 loss to two-time reigning Class D champion Northstar. In 13 innings pitched, she gave up five earned runs and totaled 15 strikeouts.

WAYNE COUNTY: Sarah Johnson and Maria Stowell of Sodus ... Pitcher *Johnson* struck out 10 and had two put outs in a win over Marcus Whitman. She also singled and scored the winning run.

Stowell, a first baseman, made several game-saving plays in the Whitman game. In the fourth inning, she fielded a bunt down the first baseline with runners on second and third. She made a great decision to hold the ball so the run would not score. In the seventh inning, she caught a line drive and doubled a Whitman runner at first. Then she fielded a ground ball and beat the runner to first base to end the game.

**Players of the week will receive certificates from Birds Eye Foods.*