



Mounts promote Breast Cancer Awareness through “Pretty in Pink at the Ballpark” Night vs. Garden Spot on May 7th at War Memorial Field

Throughout the week of May 3rd-7th, 21 of the 24 high school baseball programs from across the Lancaster-Lebanon League have joined up to participate in the first annual Breast Cancer Awareness Week to raise awareness and funding in the fight against breast cancer. Players, coaches, parents, and umpires are all supporting the cause by wearing pink wristbands imprinted with a specially-designed LL Baseball Logo at baseball games throughout the week. The wristbands were sold by each participating program for \$5 each with all proceeds going to a breast cancer non-profit organization of choice. The week was chosen in conjunction with Mother's Day, which is Sunday, May 9th.

The Ephrata Mounts baseball program is a proud supporter of the event and, with the help of the Ephrata Baseball Association, purchased the second largest amount of wristbands for players, coaches, and families to buy. The team sold 120 wristbands and raised over \$500, including in-kind donations, and chose the Pennsylvania Breast Cancer Coalition, headquartered in the Trout Run Business Center in Ephrata, as their beneficiary.

“Obviously, our goal was to help raise awareness and funding in the fight against breast cancer; however there was a bigger purpose. I felt this was an opportunity to participate in an event that exposed our young men to something much bigger than baseball. Cancer has impacted so many of our lives, and this was a chance to support a cause and an organization that every day is making a difference,” remarked Mounts head coach Adrian Shelley. “We are truly proud to be a part of this inaugural event.”

In addition to wearing the pink wristbands, the Mounts have designated their final home game of the regular season as "Pretty in Pink at the Ballpark" Night this Friday evening vs. Garden Spot at 7:00 PM at War Memorial Field. The Mounts are encouraging all fans in attendance to wear pink to the ballgame in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Week. Heather Hibshman, Executive Director of the PA Breast Cancer Coalition, will throw out the first pitch before accepting the lump sum donation from EBA on behalf of the Ephrata High School baseball program.

