

Gaby and Gigi Linde voted North Jersey Softball Players of the Week for May 17-23

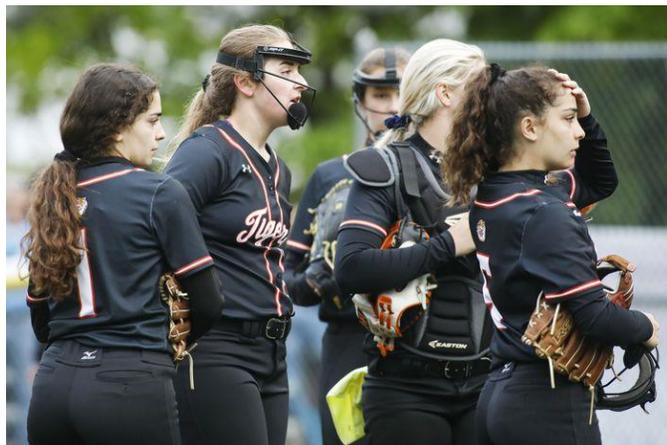
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After four days of voting, Tenafly's Gaby and Gigi Linde were selected as the North Jersey Softball Player(s) of the Week.

What were we going to do, separate the twins? The Tenafly tandem both had tremendous weeks as the Tigers reached the

Bergen County Tournament quarterfinals for the first time since 2006. Sunday in an upset win over Ramsey, Gaby had seven RBI and a homer and triple, while Gigi produced a double and RBI. Both had key hits in the comeback win



over Park Ridge in the first round. Friday against Teaneck, Gigi had two doubles, Gaby had a double and a triple. In a showdown with Top 25 Bergenfield Monday, it was Gaby with two doubles and five RBI, while Gigi went 3-4.

Here were the other nominees:

Mira Fish

Glen Rock

The pupil of former Ramapo star Julie Shaw had an amazing week for the Panthers, going 5-0 in five games, including two county tournament wins. She threw a perfect game against Elmwood Park and finished the week with 50 strikeouts. Glen Rock's number 0 was anything but at the plate, batting 5-for-12 with five RBI this week, including two key hits in the Panthers' win over Becton.

Raegen Germano

NV/Old Tappan

Germano went 5-0 in the circle this week, including 14 strikeouts Sunday in a Bergen County Tournament second round win over Dumont. Earlier in the week, she led the Golden Knights to a win over Top 5 Mahwah, holding the T-Birds to three hits and fanning 12. She allowed 16 hits in 31 innings of work and struck out 58.

Alayna Hoffman

Indian Hills

One of North Jersey's top hitters was raking again this week. In four games (not counting the Braves' win over Fair Lawn Sunday), Hoffman was 12-for-17, scoring eight runs, with three home runs, three doubles and three stolen bases.

D'Ani Morales

Passaic

The Indians junior pitcher went over 100 strikeouts for the season when the Indians took down Union City on Thursday. She did damage at the plate against Union City, finishing 4-for-4 with three RBI and a triple. She also had 11 strikeouts in a great effort against Clifton, a 6-2 defeat.

Ysabella Otero

New Milford

Defensively, Otero was called on to shift over from shortstop to behind the plate for the Knights this week and she responded with an outstanding effort. She was the pivot behind a key double play against Leonia and helped the Knights to a pair of wins with a great week at the plate. Otero was 9-for-15 with seven RBI and hit two dingers.

Sophia Payne

Passaic Valley

When you drive in the game-winning run to win your school's first county title in 33 years, you have definitely had a big week. The Hornets junior pitcher delivered the long double in the eighth inning to lift the Hornets to a 6-5 win over Passaic Tech and the Passaic County title. She also earned the win in the circle with six strikeouts.

Previous winners

Week 1: Sage Rizzi, Waldwick

Week 2: Gabby DeGroat, River Dell

Week 3: Kayla Porter, Bergenfield

Week 4: Natalia Danyluk, Glen Rock