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# Georgetown Prep edges St. Stephen's/St. Agnes in triple overtime in boys' lacrosse

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In a 6-5, triple-overtime victory over host St. Stephen's/St. Agnes Tuesday in Alexandria, Georgetown Prep senior defenseman Robert Posniewski had more goals than the players he guarded.

Posniewski scored a goal in transition and the players he guarded scored none. That included Posniewski's matchup against junior David Solomon, an All-Met last year who entered with 27 goals and 21 assists. Posniewski guarded Solomon for much of the fourth quarter and all three overtimes. Solomon had an assist in the matchup but no goals.

The defensive effort led to the winning goal, by senior midfielder Fern Murias, with 2 minutes 48 seconds left in the third overtime. The game pitted two of the top teams in the area, if not the country. Between them, top-ranked Georgetown Prep (9-2, 1-0 Interstate Athletic Conference) and No. 3 St. Stephen's/St. Agnes (9-1, 0-1) have players who have committed to Maryland, Syracuse, Georgetown, Princeton, Notre Dame and Virginia, among others.

"It was like the NCAA basketball championship game where it was tough to see Butler lose," Georgetown Prep

Coach Kevin Giblin said. "Both teams left it on the field today and it was tough to see one of them lose."

The Saints had a celebration of their own with 27 seconds left in the second overtime. Solomon fed junior Peter Milley in front of the cage and Milley scored the apparent winning goal. As the Saints players and fans began to storm the field, the referees disallowed the goal and ruled that Milley had stepped in the crease before he scored.

In the third overtime, the Saints won the faceoff but Georgetown Prep senior defenseman Alex Blonsky intercepted a pass and fed Murias in transition. Murias took advantage of the unsettled situation and scored past senior Ben Levy (13 saves).

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Murias scored two goals and Posniewski added three takeaways. Milley scored three goals, sophomore Brent Armstrong added two and Solomon had two assists for the Saints.

"I'm proud of our effort," Saints Coach Andy Taibl said. "We're exhausted. I'm proud we played so hard with three goals in the fourth quarter. I'm hoping we can learn a lot from our losses."

Posniewski quarterbacked the defense and the man-down unit. His first goal as a high school player came in the third quarter yesterday and gave the Little Hoyas a 5-2 lead.

"This was a huge game," Posniewski said. "For my first high school goal to come in a big game like this is awesome."

*Beating the best:* The Saints and Little Hoyas helped the IAC to an 8-1 record against the MIAA, Baltimore's elite conference. *A lot of points:* Including Tuesday's game, Milley has 26 goals this year.

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