Lovig, Bagby share Metro Spotlight Award

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Kassidy Lovig and Maddie Bagby of Cedar Rapids Kennedy are the co-winners of the Metro Spotlight Award for high school girls this week, the Metro Sports Report announced Sunday.

Lovig and Bagby won two events at the Mississippi Valley Conference swimming meet in Cedar Falls Saturday. The Cougars made a strong run for the championship and finished second behind Cedar Falls, 413.5 to 408.

Lovig, a freshman, captured the 200 freestyle and swam on the triumphant 400 freestyle relay with Bagby, MacKinzee Macho and Lydia Yang. She also finished second in the 500 freestyle and helped Kennedy place second in the 200 freestyle relay.

Bagby, a junior, claimed the 100 freestyle and swam on the victorious 400 freestyle relay. She also swam on the 200 freestyle relay that placed second and finished fifth in the 200 freestyle.

Both swimmers have battled ailments this season. Lovig has been bothered by bicep tendinitis and Bagby had walking pneumonia earlier in the year, but both feel much better now.

Kennedy is ranked seventh in the state. The Cougars will compete in the district meet at Linn-Mar on Saturday, Oct. 31.