

Turnovers, fouls sink Christian

By TOM BAER

Southfield Christian's hopes for a long run in the Class D state basketball tournament ended Thursday, but coach Bruce Calderwood plans to build a winning team at the Cary school remain alive.

"We're already excited about next season," said Calderwood after his Eagles dropped a 76-70 decision to Royal Oak St. Mary in the Class D Kimball district. "Our schedule will be about 20 times tougher than it was this season, but we're sure looking forward to it."

Christian, a mostly junior team, compiled an 18-1 regular-season record. Most Christian victims were small church-operated schools without developed basketball programs. But the Eagles drew a tough opponent for the district. St. Mary entered the tourney with a 9-9 record, and then beat Pontiac Oakland Christian in the district opener.

Christian trailed by a point (13-11) after one quarter, and by two (19-20) at half-time. The Eagles took a 45-44 lead at the three-quarters mark, but the strappy St. Mary crew refused to go down.

St. Mary's Walter Gorski made a 16-foot jump shot with four seconds left to tie it 44 all and force the overtime. Christian's Tom Marks dropped in two free throws six seconds earlier to give the Eagles a two-point lead, 44-42.

Christian-St. Mary

Royal Oak St. Mary (76): Dave Christie 5, 8-4, 10; Gerard Reed 6, 4-9, 16; Tom Villaret 3, 3-4, 11; Terry Rudenour 2, 2-3, 6; Walter Gorski 6, 8-9, 12; Tim Richards 7, 7-8, 21; Ralph Sherman 0, 0-0, 0; Totals: 29, 18-28, 75.

Southfield Christian (79): Eric Larson 26; 13-5, Tom Marks 7, 2-8, 21; Steve Knowles 6, 1-3, 1; Graham Nash 1, 0-0, 2; John King 6, 3-5, 13; Bill Barclay 5, 3-4, 13; Greg Quiggle 1, 1-4, 3; Ben Lampe 4, 2-3, 10; Totals: 58, 18-32, 70.

Total Fouls: St. Mary 28, Christian 26
 Fouled Out: For Christian: Larson, King, Lampe, For St. Mary: Tom Villaret, Richards, Terry Rudenour
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THE THREE-MINUTE overtime period was a disaster for Christian, which managed just six points on a built and four free throws in six tries. St. Mary rained 13 points on four buckets on four of six free throws.

Fouls were a factor in Christian's demise. The Eagles were forced to play the overtime without starters Eric Larson, Ben Lampe and John King.

"Our fouls really hurt us," Calderwood said. "We're a good team, but we're not that deep. When Ben was in, there, they controlled the boards."

Christian made 18 turnovers in the first half, and they helped the Irish say close.

"We were beating ourselves with these turnovers," Calderwood said. "St. Mary pressed us into most of them. We were bringing the ball down the sideline getting double teamed and trapped."

"Sometimes, because of the tournament pressure, you get into a groove and it's hard to get out of it. Normally, when we get pressured like that, it helps us. We're usually quick enough to beat it, but we weren't on that night."

Christian shot well (65.6 percent) from the field. Marks led the Eagles with 21 points. King added 15, and junior guard Bill Barclay had 13. Larson, the team's tallest player, at 6-5, scored 10 points and grabbed 12 rebounds.

Tim Richards scored 21 points for St. Mary. Gerard Reed and Gorski added 16 and 12 points respectively.

ST. MARY'S TOURNAMENT play will probably be short lived. The Irish were scheduled to play powerful Detroit DeForest, the No. 1 Class D team in the state last Saturday.

Christian won't have to wait for next year's state tournament to get another crack at St. Mary. Coach John Durr's Irish are on the Eagles' regular-season schedule. Waterloo Our Lady of the Lakes, Pontiac Catholic, Cranbrook and Country Day also will be testing Christian next season.

will return. Calderwood can look for some help from coach Dave Sink, whose reserve team turned in an impressive 18-1 record, losing to Pontiac Northern and Lathrup North.

"It'll be a good schedule, and we'll have a good season," Calderwood said. "We're looking forward to it. Everything's starting to roll for us."

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Noted surgeon to address LIT engineers

Dr. Adrian Kantowitz, noted heart surgeon, will speak at Lawrence Institute of Technology (LIT) 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 11 to engineering students on "Engineering Aspects of Modern Surgery."

Chairman of the Department of Surgery at Sinai Hospital of Detroit, Kantowitz was one of the first surgeons to implant pacemakers and transplant a human heart. He pioneered work with the heart lung machine, a chest developer of the temporary balloon heart pump and is researching the use of a complete mechanical heart.

Dr. Kantowitz's talk, sponsored by Sigma Xi LIT student engineering honor society, will be in the Science Building auditorium. Anyone interested is invited to attend free of charge, according to David Filkins, chairman of the society's activities committee. Additional information is available from Dr. Steven Davis, 336-0720.

Area students on dean's list

Three Southfield students were among 100 students at Michigan Tech in Houghton who were named to the school's fall quarter dean's list.

They were David L. Bigelow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Bigelow, 2800 Bedford North, Richard C. Ruffen, son of Mr. Harold J. Hupfer, 3034 Woodgate, and Clarice R. Wickman, daughter of Mrs. Violet Wickman, 21174 Stahlens.

Volleyball tourney

Rochester High School will host the 1974 Oakland A League volleyball tournament on Monday and Tuesday nights, March 8 and 9. The Falcons are currently tied with rivals Madison Heights Lamphere and Clawson atop the "A" standings with one match remaining.

Tournament action will begin on Monday at 4 p.m. with six matches and continue on Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. with three final round bouts. Admission is set at \$1 per person on both nights. The two-day affair will include all 18 league teams and will be conducted on a one-game elimination basis.

Rochester Adams High School will host pre-regional competition on March 11. The Highlanders will play Birmingham Seaham at 8:30 p.m. after Rochester's 7 p.m. match with Birmingham Groves. The two winners will advance to the Clarkston regional on March 13.

This is the first year of postseason play for volleyball and the state finals will be held at Schoolcraft College on March 20.

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