



Eric Dettler tries to maneuver clear of Salem's Jake Baker, who scored 17 points in leading the Rocks to a 55-47 victory Tuesday.

OCC gets assist from Lady Luck vs. Alpena

By C.J. Fleak staff writer

Living proof: That's what Oakland Community College's men's basketball team was Monday.

The Raiders were perfect examples of the better-to-be-lucky-than-good theory. Toine Murphy provided the proof when he threw a 10-foot, off-balance baseline shot off the glass that caught the rim and somehow fell through the basket.

No soft touch on this one. But a hoop is a hoop, and Murphy's gave OCC the winning points in its 72-71 victory over Alpena in the opening round of the Eastern Conference playoffs at OCC's Orchard Ridge campus in Farmington Hills.

Whatever spirits were guiding the Raiders' fortunes did not stop with Murphy's basket. There was still 25 remaining; after a timeout, Alpena worked the ball to Bobby Allen, who had already shredded the OCC defense for 25 points. Allen drove the baseline and put up a short shot that rimmed the basket and fell out.

"I thought he was fouled," said Alpena coach Frank McCourt. "But we didn't get the call. Don't get me wrong. The officials didn't cost us the game. What cost us the game was when we had the ball with a minute left and we didn't run our offense."

WHAT McCOURT referred to was a mental mistake by guard Emory Pope. Pope slighted and sank his first free throw in a one-and-one with 1:22 left, giving Alpena its first lead of the game, 71-70. Pope's second shot missed, but the rebound was batted back to him.

Instead of running the clock, Pope drove into the paint and put up a 12-foot jumper that missed with 1:14 to play. OCC rebounded, called timeout and got the ball to Murphy, who had already scored eight second-half points. He finished with 16.

"The kid's a sophomore," said the Lumberjack coach of Pope. "He should have known better."

OCC never should have been in such a desperate situation. The Raiders led 70-58 with 8:25 left, thanks to Jerry Prieskorn and Murphy. Prieskorn used his 6-foot-9 1/2 bulk to post up and score a team-high 19 points, 10 in the second half.

But in the last 8:25, it was Alpena that did all the scoring — except for Murphy's game-winner. The Jacks outpointed OCC 13-2 that stretch. Allen had six and Scott Olsen netted five in the run, with Olsen tying the game at 70 with a 15-footer. He finished with 10. Mike Kollien had 12.

OCC got 11 from Tim Roberson and eight each from Mike Bailey and Ed Whitaker.

"We've got to learn how to play the close ones," said OCC coach Lynn Reed. "I want to my bench and they didn't come through like they have all year. I broke up my (starting) combination too soon."

But the Raiders did manage to pull it out. Alpena bows out of the state tournament with a 10-13 overall record.

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North bows to defending champ

By Dan O'Moara staff writer

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For a time Tuesday night, it looked like shades of 1988 in the Western Lakes Activities Association basketball playoffs.

In the end, the Plymouth Salem-North Farmington semifinal game more resembled 1988 with the defending champion Rocks taking a 55-47, home-court victory in a game that got quite chippy.

The Rocks, who are in the final for a fourth straight year, will try to repeat at 8 p.m. Saturday when they play Livonia Stevenson for a third time at Salem.

The Lakes Division champs, rated No. 8 in the state and 18-1 overall, were in danger of not advancing that far as the Raiders, who beat Salem in the '88 championship game, held the hot hand early.

Behind Jake Baker's game-high 17 points, the Rocks came around late in the first half and led throughout the second, though a championship berth wasn't assured until the final minute.

"IN THE FIRST half, we didn't hit the boards that hard, and we were giving them second shots," Salem senior Ryan Johnson said. "We got to the glass in the second half and boxed out a lot harder. When we bust like that, that's when we score a lot of our points."

Salem extended a 36-35, third-quarter lead to a rather comfort-

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North basketball coach

able, nine-point margin of 48-39 with two minutes left. Matt Hoffman, however, sandwiched a pair of triples around a Johnson layup to keep North in the ball game at 50-45 with 1:13 to play.

Baker, who was 10-of-12 shooting free throws, scored the team's last four points that way, and the Raiders made two costly turnovers on consecutive possessions when the score was 53-47.

"We felt, if we could keep the score in the 50s, we'd have a real good shot at it," North coach Tom Negoshian said.

"Not only did we have to hold them down, we needed to shoot the ball much better than we did tonight."

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The Raiders, 10-9 overall, held the lead until a late first-half spurt, including a trey by Mike Mulder that broke a 22-22 tie, put Salem on top 29-24 at halftime.

NORTH SHOT 7-of-24 in the second half, and the Rocks, maintaining their halftime momentum, kept the cold-shooting Raiders off the boards. K.C. Kirkpatrick and John Hoffmeyer pulled down eight rebounds apiece.

"In the first half, we made some poor decisions as far as throwing the basketball away," Salem coach Bob Brodie said.

"In the second half, we made a point of denying the Rocks, maintaining their halftime momentum, kept the ball inside out against their zone. It didn't work very well, because they still stole the ball because of their quickness. Eventually, it kicked in and worked for us."

Hoffmeyer backed up Baker's scoring with 10 off the bench, and Jeff Gold added eight. Baker also led the Rocks with four assists. Hoffmeyer was the lone North player in doubles with 16 points. Center Eric Carlson tossed in eight, too.

"I call John my garbage man," Brodie said. "If the ball is loose and John has it, it's in the hole. That's the role he has, and he does a great job of it."

While the Rocks head to the cham-

plionship game, North will play Western Division co-champ Farmington Hills Harrison in the consolation game at 6 p.m. Saturday, also at Salem.

THE RAIDERS were at full strength again Tuesday, with Brian Temple starting at the off guard again and Jon Sturtz coming off the bench.

"We feel we've gotten some momentum by just playing better," Negoshian said. "We think we've played (Salem) tough the last two games."

Temper flared three times in the second half. Negoshian thought the officials were in danger of losing control, but Brodie thought they took the steps necessary to maintain control.

In the first incident, North center Bill Chwalk was given an intentional foul when he ran into Kirkpatrick from behind while he attempted a layup.

Negoshian became upset when Johnson wasn't called for a foul when he later tumbled on top of Chwalk. Chwalk was cited again for elbowing Baker when play moved to the other end.

"The game, for high school basketball, almost got out of hand, and that scares me," Negoshian said. "I worry about young kids keeping control of themselves. Basketball is supposed to be a non-contact sport. My kids are just as much at fault, but you can't let it get that way."

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GREENS FEES

It'll cost \$13.50 for residents and \$16 for non-residents to play 18 holes of golf on the weekend this year at the Farmington Hills-owned San Marino Golf Course, Halsted Road at I-596.

The city council, acting on a recommendation from the park and recreation commission and the department of special services, approved a new daily greens fee structure Monday night.

The weekday cost will be \$12.50 for residents and \$15 for non-residents.

The cost for 9 holes will be:

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 - Weekdays — \$7.25 for residents and \$9.50 for non-residents.
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 - 9 holes — \$4.25 for residents and \$5.75 for non-residents.

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SOFTBALL NEWS

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Canton hopes to break even in regular season

One more win. That's all Plymouth Canton basketball coach Dave Van Wagoner wants — at least until the state district tournament starts.

Van Wagoner's Chiefs — or as he referred to them, his "Diaper Dandies" — moved closer to that goal by routing Farmington 67-49 in a Western Lakes Activities Association consolation game Tuesday at Canton.

The victory was the third straight for the Chiefs, now 9-10. Farmington fell to 5-14.

"I want to get one more (win before districts)," said Van Wagoner. "I feel we're peaking at the right time, with a lot of young players."

"We played smart offensively, we hit our free throws and we knocked down some shots. And we played good man-to-man defense."

According to Van Wagoner, it was the first time Canton hit better than 50 percent of its floor shots this season — which is why the Chiefs led virtually all the way. They were up 20-14 after one quarter and 37-27 at the half.

Farmington tightened it a bit with a 13-10 third-quarter advantage, making it 47-40 entering the final period. But Canton took control after that, outscoring the Falcons 20-9 in the last eight minutes.

Canton, which made 15-of-24 free throws (Farmington was nine-of-11), was led by junior forward Brett Howell's 20 points. Ryan Halliday added 15 and Mike Stafford got nine and eight rebounds. Both Halliday and Stafford are freshmen.

Brian Browne collected 17 points for Farmington. P.J. Green chipped in with 11.

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