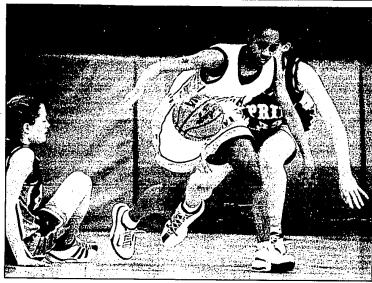
sketball: Madonna University's Mahogany Fletcher, a former star at Farmington Harrison High School, chases down a loose ball in the team's victory over Spring Arbor.



## Crusaders even record at .500 with victory

Shooting well is the key to winning a basketball game — or at least one key, as last Wednesday's Madonna University-vs.-Spring Arbor women's game proved.

The Cougars outshot the host Crusaders, converting 31 of 66 from the floor (47 per cent) compared to Madonna's 25-6-78 (32.1 percent). But Spring Arbor didn't outseore their opponents, Iosing 97-92.

The win evened Madonna's record at 9-9; the Crusaders are 4-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. Spring Arbor is 10-11 overall, 1-4 in the WHAC.

Two factors offset the Cougars' considerable advantage in shooting accuracy: First, Madonna had a significant rebounding edge – 67-37, including a 30-10 margin on the offensive boards — and second, the Crusaders shot 21 more free throws.

It was an up-and-down game most of the way. Spring Arbor scored the first 11 points before, with 6:30 elapsed, Madonna scored its first basket.

The Crusaders did manage to turn it up a notch and led 36-35 at halftime. From their

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The game remained close until, with 3:14 remaining, freshman Mahogany Fletcher (from Farmington Harrison) nailed at three-pointer to put Midonna up 69-66. The Crusadors never again surrendered the lead.
The Crusadors' persistence paid dividends, particularly on the boards; two of them reached double-figures in rebounding and a third had eight.
Kathy Panganis led Madonna with 23 points; she also had 10 rebounds and three steals. Panganis converted 10-0f-20 shots from the floor; the only other Crusader to hit 50 percent of her shots or better was Lori Enfield 63-67-3, 10 points and two blocks).
Fletcher finished with 14 points, eight boards and six steals, and Kristi Forensi (Plymouth Canton) had 13 points, 10 rebounds and three steals.
For Spring Arbor, Kristin Dankert led with 17 points, six rebounds and four steals.

Portin Reilly ndded 16 points.

SCHOOLCRAFT MEN'S HOOP: A faces late in the game mared a 11.79 titumeh by the Schoolcraft College men's basketball team Wednesdey night against visiting Detts. Officials stopped play with 11.0 remaining when a scuttle broke out on the floor.

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As far as the game was concerned, Schoolcraft overcame a sleggish start to Improve its overall record to 14-2 and 4-1 in the Eastern Conference of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association.

Schoolcraft point guard Dave McGlown finished with a season-high 20 points, while Sam Hoskin (Reddord Bishop Borgess) added 19 off the bench.

Others in double figures for the Occior included Nick Evols and Javon Clark, 37 each; Weir, 16; egg fair Medurjalani (North Familyadon), 11.

Dotta, which slipped to 2-13 overall and 1-4 in the conference, get a game-high 23 points from Chartes Underwood.

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"We feel good about the win, but we have two big games next said, adding the Heavis lost junior post exek," Mikel said, adding the Falcons plays host to Northville Falcons plays host to Northville Lake Central Friday.

"Those are two of the better teams in the (WLAA) this year, and we happen to get both of them in the sume week."

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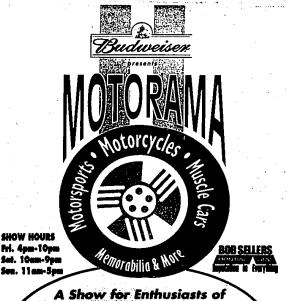
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