

# Big men stand tall for Eagles

St. Mary's College of Orchard Lake got something additional in its basketball game Saturday against Northwood Institute, and it helped end a two-game losing streak.

The added element was points from the post position. Brian Koscielski, the lone offensive threat among the Eagles' big men, and Marvin Morrison combined for 30 points in St. Mary's 68-73 victory over Northwood in the consolation game of the Grand Valley State Tournament Saturday.

In Friday's tourney opener, the Eagles lost to Ashland University — ranked second in the NCAA Division II — 116-108. That defeat came two days after St. Mary's was thumped 92-45 at Oakland University.

The win over the Northmen pushed St. Mary's record to 6-3 and helped convince coach Glen Donahue changes were indeed necessary. The Eagles have been starting a three-guard offense featuring Jimmy Bolden, Garth Howard and Jeff Suspeck, with Jeff Szczepanski at forward and either Koscielski or Morrison at center.

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THAT MEANS both Koscielski, who stands 6-foot-9, and Morrison (6-8, 250) will be on the floor at the same time. Donahue hasn't decided who will be coming off the bench, but whoever it is, their playing time shouldn't suffer.

The guards did their jobs at Grand Valley. Against Northwood, Bolden got 22 points and 10 assists and Howard finished with 21 points and nine rebounds. Morrison and Koscielski each scored 15 points, with Morrison

making all five floor shots, 5-of-7 free throws and grabbing nine boards.

Mike Peck's 18 points was best for the Northmen (now 1-5). Brian Briggs had 14 and Steve Ryan 13. Against Ashland, the Eagles wasted a 12-point, first-half lead. They were still ahead by eight with five minutes left in the first half when Ashland started hitting its three's — six in the last 4:30, turning the tables on St. Mary's to force a 44-51 half-time lead.

The Eagles pulled to within 98-97 with four minutes left and were still only two down — 110-108 — with 1:20 left, but went scoreless the rest of the way. Suspeck netted 30 points to pace St. Mary's; Howard had 23, Bolden 20 and Koscielski 15. Bolden also had 10 rebounds and nine assists.

Gary Watkins led six Ashland players in double-figures with 21 points. Michael Young had 16, Ashland lost to Grand Valley in the final to drop to 2-1.

St. Mary's plays at Findlay University Thursday.

ender, scored two goals and had one assist.

## HOOP ADDITION

The name of Barry Regan was inadvertently omitted from a story about the North Farmington boys basketball team in the Monday edition of the Farmington Observer. Regan is a 6-foot junior forward on the North varsity.

## ELKS HOOP SHOOT

Farmington-Farmington Hills competition in the 20th Annual Elks Hoop Shoot — the national free-throw shooting contest for youths age 8-13 — will be 9 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, at Farmington High School.

Each contestant will have 25 shots in the hoop. The boy and girl in each age group (8-9, 10-11 and 12-13) with the best score will advance to the district level at Livonia Churchill High School on Saturday, Jan. 4.

## the week ahead

**BOYS BASKETBALL**  
Friday, Dec. 13  
Luth. Westland at Del. Luth. West, 7 p.m.  
Don. Divine Child at Bluff, 7 p.m.  
Garden City at Luth. Stevenson, 7:30 p.m.  
Dearborn at Luth. Franklin, 7:30 p.m.  
Monroe at Pky. Canton, 7:30 p.m.  
Trenton at Pky. Salem, 7:30 p.m.  
Farmington at Bedford Union, 7:30 p.m.  
Farm. Hamilton at Oak Park, 7:30 p.m.  
Westland Green at Ypsilanti, 7:30 p.m.  
Wayne Memorial at Bedford CC, 7:30 p.m.  
Taylor Kennedy at Red. Thurston, 7:30 p.m.  
Huron Valley at D.H. Fanning, 7:30 p.m.  
St. Agatha at Ham. St. Florian, 7:30 p.m.  
Pky. Christian at Clarenceville, 7:30 p.m.

**PREP HOCKEY**  
Wednesday, Dec. 11  
Luth. Franklin vs. St. Edward's  
Luth. Churchville vs. Bloomfield Lakes  
at Livonia's Edgar Avenue, 8 p.m.  
Bedford CC at A.A. Pioneer, 7:30 p.m.  
Friday, Dec. 13  
Luth. Stevenson vs. Luth. Franklin  
at Livonia's Edgar Avenue, 8 p.m.  
Saturday, Dec. 14  
Luth. Churchville at Bedford, 5:30 p.m.  
Bedford CC vs. Bloomfield Lakes  
at Bedford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

**WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
Thursday, Dec. 12  
Spring Arbor at Madonna, 7 p.m.  
Friday, Saturday, Dec. 13-14  
Schoolcraft at Glen Oaks CC Tourney, TBA.  
Saturday, Dec. 14  
Madonna at Olivet College, 1 p.m.

**WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
Saturday, Dec. 14  
Oakland CC at Schoolcraft, 7:30 p.m.  
TBA — times to be announced.

# OCC women defeat SC

It was a game Schoolcraft College women's basketball coach Jack Grenan had feared since before the season opened — the Lady Ocelots first Eastern Conference contest, against defending champion Oakland CC.

But SC never really got into the game. Fouls plagued the Ocelots throughout as OCC romped to an easy 78-58 victory Saturday at OCC's Highland Lakes campus.

"The refs took us out of the game in the first half," said Grenan, whose team fell to 6-3 overall. "I know you've got to play over the refs, but this time it would have been difficult."

As proof, Grenan offered the free throw discrepancy: OCC, 15-of-19 in the first half; SC, 2-of-4. It was no different in the second half — OCC finished with a 31-of-38 night at the line (82 percent), while SC was 6-of-17 (35 percent).

DANA HUDSON fouled out for the Ocelots; five others had three fouls. OCC led 38-20 at the half and was never seriously threatened. The closest SC got in the second half was 12, with 11 minutes left.

The Raiders, now 7-3 overall, had three players score 14 points: Leslie Catanzarite (from Livonia Ladywood), Kim Walker and Dana Sevech. Walker had nine rebounds, Catanzarite had eight.

Donna Galli's 21 points paced SC (including four three-pointers). Sis Guth had 16 points and nine rebounds. But the Ocelots other inside threat, Nicole Dapprich, was limited to one point and six boards.

The win was the 200th (against 92 losses) in coach Larry Hojna's 11-year career at OCC.

# 2nd half helps Madonna

A strong second half enabled Madonna University to pull away to a 59-46 triumph at Grand Rapids Baptist Tuesday in a NAIA District 23 women's basketball game.

The game was tied at 20-20 at the half, before the Lady Crusaders erupted. Jill Burt led Madonna with 19 points; Cheryl Sangregorio added 16 and nine rebounds. Baptist (now 9-5 overall, 0-1 in the district) got 11 points from both Jan Hillaker and Laurie Crawford.

The win improved the Crusaders' record to 2-7 overall, 1-1 in the district. Last Saturday, Madonna got 13 points and 11 rebounds from Burt but couldn't beat host Adrian College, losing 69-47.

## SPORTS SALE

North Farmington High School will have its annual winter sports sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, in the cafeteria.

Sellers can bring their sports equipment to the school 2:30-4 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 2:30-6 p.m. Friday and 7:30-9 a.m. Saturday. Twenty percent of the profit goes to the senior class. Unsold items can be picked up 12 p.m. Saturday or 2:30-5 p.m. Monday.

## EAGLES FINISH 2ND

The Farmington Eagles, an under-12 girls soccer team, captured second place in the Western Suburban Soccer League's First Division. The Eagles were undefeated at 5-0-3 and lost the division title by one point to Novi.

Team members were Ellen Adams, Kellie Williams, Theresa Bahns, Ruthann Bindon, Laura Dunniffe, Annie Curran, Emily Cur-

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