

OCC cagers lose shootout at Alpena

A lack of size proved to be Oakland Community College's downfall Wednesday in its Eastern Conference basketball opener at Alpena CC.

The Raiders had three chances to overtake Alpena, but could not cash in and lost 101-98. The defeat left them at 3-7 overall. Alpena is 1-1 in the conference.

"Without (Bill) Knight, we couldn't contain them both," OCC coach Lynn Reed said, refer-

BASKETBALL

ring to the Lumberjacks' 6-foot-10 Scott Menzel, who scored 23 points, and 6-7 J.B. Gould, who netted 26.

Knight, the Raiders' starting center, suffered a bruise near his knee early last week. Reed was hopeful he'd return for Wednesday's game at Schoolcraft College. The Raiders led 40-36 at the

half and increased their advantage to 10 in the second half, but Alpena's size eventually wore them down. Trailing by six with a minute left, OCC's pressed and forced two turnovers — the Lumberjacks had 28 in the game — and converted both into baskets, one a three-pointer by Ray Moreland.

Two Alpena free throws kept the Raiders behind, but they had the ball with 15 seconds, trailing by three. They managed to get off

three three-point attempts in that span, but missed all three. Myron Banks turned in a strong performance for OCC, hitting 17-of-25 shots and scoring 35 points. He also grabbed 16 rebounds. Craig Martin added 22 points, Trey Coleman scored 13, and Kevin Woodmore and Moreland chipped in 12 apiece.

Two others reached double-figures in scoring for Alpena: Aaron Coven scored 19 points and Mono Miller led 18.

OUTDOORS

FISHING CLUB MEETINGS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Maplewood Center in Garden City, 477-3816.

Romeo B.A.S.S. Busters meet 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month at the Romeo Community Youth and Civic Center, 286-6469.

FOR THE DOGS

A dog weight pull begins at 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 19, at the Lakeview Mall in Whitmore Lake (exit 53 on US 23). Admission is free, 231-2269 after 5 p.m..

METROPARKS

SNACKS WITH SANTA

A program in which participants will have a snack with Santa and sing Christmas songs while enjoying a hayride, begins at 10:30

a.m., 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at Kensington.

SNOWSHOE TYING WORKSHOP

An opportunity to make a pair of snowshoes will be offered in a five-hour workshop which begins at 10 a.m. Saturday at Indian Springs. There is a \$50 fee per kit; bindings are extra and available from the instructor for an additional \$25. Interested participants should call ahead for a reservation and to order the correct shoe size.

CHRISTMAS CRITTERS

A nature program about animal myths and holidays begins at 1 p.m. Sunday at Stony Creek. The program also includes a simple craft.

HOLIDAY SONGS AND STORIES

A fireside sing-along including seasonal songs and stories begins at 2 p.m. Sunday at Kensington.

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free, while some require a nominal charge. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required, 1-800-47-PARKS.

OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

Participants will reflect on holiday traditions with a variety of crafts and activities in this miniclass which begins at 10 a.m. Saturday at Independence Oaks.

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS

Advance registration is required for all Oakland County Park programs and early registration is recommended. A motor vehicle permit is also required, 625-6473.

SWIMMING

Brown leads Falcons to first dual victory

The Farmington boys swimming team opened the 1992-93 dual meet season with a 98-88 win Thursday over visiting West Bloomfield.

The Falcons were led by Scott Brown, who won two events and also swam on the winning 200-yard medley relay team.

Brown placed first in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 24.41 seconds and he was first in the 100 backstroke in 1 minute, 00.75 seconds.

Brown, Kevin Yoder, Steve Scanlon and Don Boyer were victorious in the 200 medley relay in 1:56.52.

Boyer and Dan Belenger were the other individual winners. Boyer won the 100 freestyle (55.37) and Belenger took the 100 breaststroke (1:10.36).

The Falcons' 200 freestyle relay team of Craig Mathie, Boyer, Yoder and Rich Hammen also took first place (1:45.64).

UPCOMING EVENTS

AUCTION EVENTS

Annual Detroit Christmas Bird Count will be held Dec. 20, 525-8630 or 545-2929.

ARCHERY SHOTS

Royal Oak Archers will hold a 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 13, on its walk-through range in Lake Orion, 693-9799 or 693-1369.

DATES/DEADLINES

Ruffed Grouse season ends Jan. 1 in Zone II and Zone III. Squirrel season ends Jan. 1. Archery deer season ends Jan. 1. Muzzleloading deer season ends Dec. 13 in Zone I, Dec. 20 in zones II and III. Elk season ends Dec. 15. Bass season ends Dec. 31. Rabbit season ends March 31.

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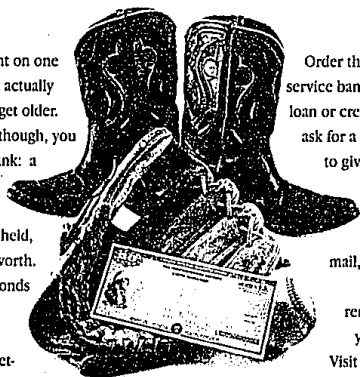


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