



Martin Luther College: Official Press Release

Nass leads Knights to victory; Holzhueter ties record

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Sometimes the ball just falls in the way you want it to. Excellent shooting in both halves lifted the Knights (7-12, 5-5 UMAC) over the Cougars of Minnesota-Morris (11-10, 6-4 UMAC), with a final score of 97 – 65. The Knights shot an excellent 66.7 % (24-36) from the field in the first half, giving them a 53 – 25 lead at the half. Senior captain Nathan Nass (New Ulm, Minn.) lead the offense, knocking in 26 points on 11-17 (4-5 3pt) shooting. Nass also contributed 3 rebounds and 3 assists on the night. Nass is the leading scorer for MLC, having recently surpassed 1000 career points and averaging 16.3 points/game, with 5 rebounds/game. Other scorers for the Knights include Jake Schwartz (New Ulm, Minn.) with 18 points, Aaron Schultz (Shakopee, Minn.) with 15 points, and Caleb Free (Plover, Wis.) with 14 points.

These scorers were not alone this evening. Freshman guard Greg Holzhueter (New Ulm, Minn.) tied the MLC assist record by contributing 13 assists. He joins the ranks of Jeff Dolan (MLC '07, against Crown on Feb. 4, 2005) and Joel Heckendorf (MLC '97, against Grinnell on Jan. 8, 1997). Holzhueter has played as the starting point guard for the Knights throughout this season, averaging 7.5 points/game, 4.6 assists/game and 4.1 rebounds/game.

Will Jenson (Eau Claire, Wis.) led the scoring for Minnesota-Morris, contributing 15 points off 6-14 shooting (3-7 free throws) and 4 rebounds. Phil Allen (Clarissa, Minn.) chipped in 11 points and both Corey Kelzenberg (Fridley, Minn.) and Jordan Noonan (Richfield, Minn.) put in 9 points. The Cougars will play the Vikings of Bethany Lutheran College tomorrow night.

This is the third straight win for the Knights. They hope to ride this momentum into tomorrow night's game against the Saints of Presentation College.

The Lady Knights (4-16, 3-7 UMAC) came through with an upset victory over the Cougars (13-8, 7-3 UMAC), maintaining a small lead throughout the second half to a 77-74 win. The Knights were led by Hannah Bode (Saginaw, Mich.), who posted a double-double of 23 points and 11 rebounds. Other leading Knights scorers were Brittany Jensen (Hortonville, Wis.) with 13 points, Katherine Kogler (Fallbrook, Cal.) with 11 points and 8 rebounds, and Nicole Lehman with 8 points and 9 rebounds.