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Dexter AAU wrestlers Mason Keena, Nate Weathers, and Storm Massey competed at St. Francis High School January 22, 2012. The boys did an excellent job representing the Bootheel.

Both Nate and Storm placed first and Mason placed third in his division. The boys compete most weekends in the St. Louis area in order to obtain experience and mat time. Good job guys!

Photo above, from left: Massey, Keena, and Weathers show off the hardware they earned in a recent AAU wrestling tournament.

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ROLLA – The Missouri S&T Lady Miners broke open a tight game at the break with a 9-2 run to start the second half en route to breaking a two game skid 68-54 on Thursday evening in Rolla. Julie Meyer (Marthasville, Mo./St. Francis Borgia) matched her career-high with 20 points while Hailee Parks (Sullivan, Mo./Sullivan) dropped in 16.

The opening frame was a game of runs as the two sides proceeded to trade leads through most of the half. Rockhurst (4-13, 2-8 GLVC) took its first lead of the contest on a three from Shelby Geiman at the 12:42 mark. S&T (12-5, 7-3 GLVC) responded with a layup from Senait McLeod (Miami, Fla./Coral Reef) and a three-pointer from Toni Knar (Mundelein, Ill./Mundelein) to regain and push the lead to five points by the 11:02 mark.

The Hawks responded with five straight of their own to regain the advantage. Susan Hohenadel knocked home a three and Chrissy Sarcone hit a jumper during that span.

Parks put the Lady Miners back ahead with a jumper at the 7:30 mark, but Rockhurst ran off the next seven points to take its biggest lead of the night at 21-15. Megan Cook started the run with a pair of free throws then Melanie Siscos and Katye Nash knocked home back-to-back threes.

S&T responded with 11 straight of its own to regain their five-point cushion. Karli Sample (St. Joseph, Mo./Benton) started the run with a three off an inbounds play. After a

Kyeshia Hall (Dodson, La.) layup made it a one-point game, Sample gave the Lady Miners the lead for good with a layup. Hall added two more on a pair of free throws and Parks capped it off with a fast break layup with 2:28 to play in the stanza.

The Hawks refused to yield as Taylor Skala converted on a fast break chance to make it 26-23. Skala committed a foul on the ensuing play sending Meyer to the line where she knocked down both free throws pushing it back to five.

Rockhurst wrapped a pair of three's from MaKayla Grahn and Geiman around a Parks bucket cutting S&T's lead to 30-29 at the intermission.

The Lady Miners shot the ball well in the opening frame knocking down 12-for-23 (52 percent), but turned it over 12 times. They were 2-of-4 from downtown and 4-for-7 at the foul line. Parks had 12 in the frame while Sample added five and Meyer and Hall dropped in four apiece.

The Hawks stayed in the contest thanks to their three-point shooting knocking home 5-of-9 (56 percent). As a whole they shot just 38 percent (11-for-29) and were just 2-of-5 at the foul line. Geiman and Sarcone had six apiece to lead Rockhurst.

S&T started the second half strong as Meyer keyed the charge scoring seven of the first nine points including the first five to open the frame. She started it on the defensive end rebounding a missed shot and streaked ahead to score on the break and was fouled for the old-fashioned three-point play. On the next possession she got a steal and scored on the break again to make it 35-29 less than two minutes into the stanza.

Rockhurst cut it to four but Parks and Meyer scored back-to-back baskets to make it an eight point contest. The Hawks to their credit continued to hang around cutting it down to four with 11:02 to play.

The Lady Miners put the game away over the next six minutes scoring 10 of 14 points in building a double digit advantage. Rockhurst got as close as nine with 4:29 to play, but S&T was solid at the foul line down the stretch building its largest lead of the night at 65-50 on a bucket by Hall with 1:38 to go. Meyer matched that lead with a pair of free throws a minute later.

The Lady Miners shot only 44 percent in the second half but were 17-for-21 at the foul line in the stanza. They finished the contest shooting 48 percent (22-for-46) from the field and went 21-of-28 (75 percent) at the charity stripe.

S&T held the Hawks to just 40 percent (21-for-53) shooting for the night. The Lady Miners held a 36-27 edge on the boards and outscored Rockhurst 32-18 in points in the paint.

Sarcone was the lone Hawk player in double figures with 10. Geiman added eight off the bench while Skala chipped in with seven as well.

S&T returns to action on Saturday afternoon traveling up to Liberty, Mo., to take on GLVC newcomer William Jewell beginning at 1 p.m.

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FULTON - The William Woods University women's basketball team led wire to wire as they rolled to a 24-point win over Harris-Stowe State University on Thursday night. Sharron Andrews (Oakland/Hayward, Calif.) led all scorers with 18 points and added five rebounds in the 68-44 Owls win.

After struggling from three-point range on Monday night, William Woods found its accuracy against Harris-Stowe, shooting 6-of-11 from long range in the first half en route to a 38-25 halftime advantage. The Owls hit on both of their attempts from distance in the second half as well, pulling away to the 24-point win.

The Owls posted a solid .397 shooting clip from the floor and a .615 mark from distance, adding 10-of-13 from the line. WWU pestered Harris-Stowe into a .240 shooting pace during the second half, with the Hornets finishing the contest at a .326 pace and a .313 mark from beyond the arc. The Owls owned a 42-36 rebounding edge as well, and picked up 11 steals to just five for the Hornets.

WWU moves to 14-6 on the year and 4-1 in AMC play. With the win, the Owls sit atop the conference standings in a three-way tie with Harris-Stowe and Columbia.

The Owls currently hold the tiebreaker seeds over both teams. WWU continues its conference slate on Saturday at Stephens College. Tipoff for the game is set for 2 p.m.

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- Kelly 46, Campbell 22
- Perryville 46, Woodland 31
- Cape Central 49, DeSoto 30
- Delta 41, Chaffee 35
- Scott City 44, Saxony Lutheran 37

Collegiate Men

- SEMO 65, Austin Peay 60
- Florida 64, Ole Miss 60
- Tennessee State 72, Tennessee-Martin 59
- Denver 66, Arkansas State 52
- Southern Utah 57, UMKC 47

Collegiate Women

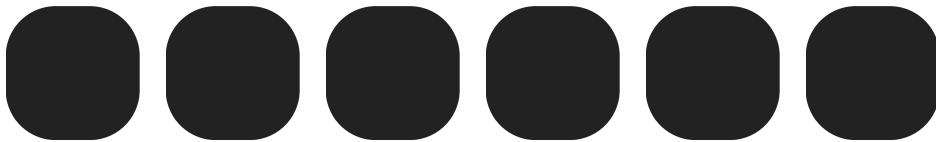
- Illinois 71, Michigan State 63

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Lee's Double-Double Leads Cats To Title Game

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By Andrew Cato, ShowMe Times Sports Editor

. The Dexter Bearcats put their No. 1 seed and undefeated SCAA record on the line Thursday night against the No. 4 Bloomfield Wildcats. Dexter utilized excellent perimeter shooting and a much-improved effort from the charity stripe to get a 71-59 victory and the right to defend their SCAA Title.

"We played pretty good offensively; we didn't have a lot of turnovers, and we shot the ball pretty well," head coach Rob Nichols said after the game. "We need to play better defensively. I didn't think we played really well defensively tonight, and that's been something we've done the last few games. We just haven't guarded well lately."

After a 4-0 Bloomfield run to start the game, Chase Young hit a three to wake up the Bearcat offense, and DHS took a 15-12 advantage into the second quarter.

Tyler Miller and Young combined for five threes in the second quarter, coupled with a seven point effort from Jake Lee, to extend their lead to 10 at halftime.

"[Bloomfield] went to that zone on us, and we've played well against the zone this year," Nichols said. "Every time we've seen it, we've shot the ball well. Tyler hit three big threes in the second quarter, and that really got us some momentum heading into the second half."

Both teams played better defense in the third quarter, but struggled offensively. Neither Dexter or Bloomfield could really put together any consistent offense, but the Bearcats were able to keep their lead intact. DHS led 50-39 heading into the fourth.

The Wildcats put on a three point parade of their own in the fourth, with Caleb Baker hitting one and Logan Cowart knocking down two. Young hit his fourth three of the night for the Bearcats, and great free throw shooting from none other than Lee (7-9 in the fourth) sealed the Bearcat victory.

Adam Vandiver led the Wildcats with 16 points; Brett Ruch, Zach Pounds, and Cowart had 13, 12, and 11 respective points.

The Bearcats were paced by Lee, who had 23 points and 13 rebounds. Young and Miller added 17 and 15 points.

"Jake just plays hard," Nichols said of the senior's second double-double in the tournament. "He gets everything out of his body he can get, I've been real proud of him this year."

Lee had struggled from the charity strip so far this season, but has shown great improvement as of late.

"He can make free throws," Nichols added he shot well last year, and he's getting better this year. I think collectively we've been better as a team lately."

The Wildcats will face Advance in the third place matchup; tipoff is set for 5:30 p.m. on Friday. The Bearcats will return to the Championship Game, where they look to defend their SCAA Title against the Bernie Mules.

"We expect a tough, hard-fought game; you always have to play well to beat those guys," Nichols said. "Botsch always has a great game plan. We'll have to play well. It's probably the game that most people wanted to see."

The Mules and Bearcats met exactly 14 days ago at the Bearcat Event Center on Dexter's homecoming; the 'Cats emerged with a 68-61 win.

Tipoff is set for 8:30 p.m.

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