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Louisville, Ky. – The Missouri S&T Lady Miners struggled all day on the defensive end of the court and couldn't contain the Millersville offense as it saw its four game winning streak come to an end in a 78-61 defeat on Monday afternoon at Knights Hall in Louisville, Ky.

The Lady Miners (5-4) got off to fast start scoring the game's first six points and 10 of the first 14 and held 12-8 lead for the first eight minutes of the contest. The Maruader offense got on track and used a 13-0 run spanning four minutes to take a 21-12 advantage with seven minutes to play in the half. Katelyn Heil (Dexter, Mo./Dexter) snapped the run with a three, but S&T wouldn't get closer than six the rest of the contest.

Millersville (7-2) extended its lead to 31-20 with 4:03 /images/2012 Article Pics/Schools/College/Heil Mid3.jpg

left in the stanza, but the Lady Miners were able to whittle it down to six behind three points from Heil and a basket by Karli Sample (St. Joseph, Mo./Benton). The Maruaders answered though scoring seven of the last eight points of the frame to go into the locker up 38-26.

S&T was just 9-for-23 (39.1 percent) from the floor, made 1-of-2 from three and made 7-for-12 at the foul line. Kylie Cooper (Andover, Kan./Andover) and Heil led the way with nine and eight points respectively.

Millersville shot 52 percent (14-for-27) from the field, was 1-of-4 from three and 9-for-16

at the charity stripe. Aurielle Mosley led all scorers with 13 points. Miesha Cousins, Celeste Robinson and Senada Mehmedovic had five apiece. The Maruaders won the edge on the glass 19-to-15.

Millersville pushed its lead to 14 points right out of the gates before S&T trimmed it single digits on a three by Kyesha Hall (Dodson, La.) at the 16:14 mark. That would be the last time the game was in single digits. The Maruaders answered with a putback off a miss on the ensuing possession to move it back to double figures.

That proved to be a recurring theme in the second half as the Lady Miners were dominated on the glass getting outrebounded 20-9 in the frame and gave up nine offensive rebounds resulting in nine points for Millersville.

/images/2012 Article Pics/Schools/College/Heil Mid1.jpg The Maruaders extended their lead to as many as 18 points with less than five minutes to play. S&T battled back to get as close as 11 with 2:13 to play on Heil's second three of the contest. Millersville would score the last six points of the game for the final margin.

Mosley led all scorers with 29 points. She was one of four Maruaders in double figures. Mashira Newman, Robinson and Muhmedovic each added 10 points. Millersville shot 50 percent in the second half and 2 finished the game knocking down 28-off-55 (51 percent) from the floor. It was 3-of-10 from three and 19-for-29 at the foul line.

Heil led the way with 15 for S&T while Cooper added 14 more. The Lady Miners shot 45 percent (22-for-49) from the field, 3-of-6 from three and were 14-for-21 at the foul line.

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New High School Principal Named

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Written by Dee Loflin, SMT Writer

Bernie, Missouri - Gavin Miller has been named the new Bernie High School Principal beginning in the fall of 2013. Gavin is a native of Southeast Missouri with ties to the Dexter School District. He served on the Dexter School staff for eight years and then moved to the Sedalia, Missouri area where he served in administration at Smith-Cotton High School. He has taught Personal Finance, Marketing, and Computer Applications and has most recently been the assistant principal there for the past two years.

With the recent announcement that Bernie High School's current principal, Bryce Matthews was retiring the Bernie Board of Education began their extensive search. With Mr. Miller's ties to Southeast Missouri it seemed like a good fit for Bernie and with his 16 years of experience in education he will be a great asset.

While he was teaching at Dexter he was also the Girls Basketball Coach, and served as a defensive coordinator under our current coach, Aaron Pixley. He also served as athletic director.

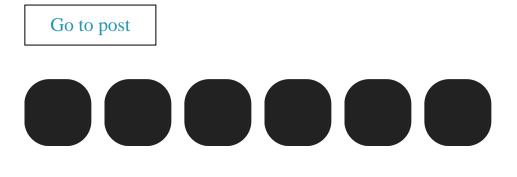
Gavin and his wife, Kristin, who is a sixth grade teacher at the Sedalia Middle School, have two boys, Jaxon and Maddox and one daughter, Madelyn. She will graduate from Sedalia in May and return with her family to Southeast Missouri to attend college.

Miller holds a bachelor's degree in business administration and obtained his teacher's certificate from Evangel University in Springfield, Missouri. He also holds a master's degree in secondary administration from William Woods University which he obtained in 2011.

We welcome Mr. Gavin Miller to the Bernie School System and hope he has a long lasting career as the new High School Principal.

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Three Rivers College Top Ten Safest in Missouri

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Submitted by Dee Loflin, SMT Writer

Poplar Bluff, Missouri - Three Rivers College has been named as one of the top ten safest college campuses in the state of Missouri for the second year in a row. The website, <u>StateUniversity.com</u> ranks the safety of colleges and universities in the U.S., based on incidents of campus crime as reported by campus safety officials.

"Protecting the safety of our students, faculty, staff, and visitors is of utmost importance, especially in light of the tragic shooting at Sandy Hook," said Dr. Devin Stephenson, President of Three Rivers College. "We must be effective in planning and prevention and, should there be an incident on campus, we must have effective protocol in place for response and recovery. The Campus Safety and Security Department is doing an excellent job in leading our college safety and security initiatives."

Chuck Stratton, Acting Chief of Campus Safety and Security, credits the entire Three Rivers community with the continued success of the college's public safety initiatives.

"Even though this award highlights our department, helping keep our campus safe is everyone's job," said Stratton. "This recognizes not only our officers, but the efforts of staff and students as well. We're only the facilitators."

In addition to Campus Safety's initiatives, Student Services at Three Rivers uses an emergency alert system through which warning voice mails, emails and text messages can automatically be sent to students and employees.

"The support we get from the entire campus and the administration plays a big role in our success," said Stratton. "Whenever we've proposed additional training or more officers to be added to our staff, we've always been met with a positive response. I'm also extremely proud of my entire staff, both the full-time and reserve officers." "Campus safety and security has always been a priority for me," Stephenson said. "That's the very reason I created a department of public safety at Three Rivers College. On any given day, our campus population is larger than many Missouri towns, and it is our duty to do everything possible to ensure the safety of our people."

The latest campus security report is available for review online at trcc.edu/publicsafety. Three Rivers College is committed to contributing to the quality of life in Southeast Missouri with affordable higher education opportunities and community services that support and encourage the economic, civic, and cultural vitality of the region. For more information about college and workforce programs and upcoming events, visit trcc.edu.

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Students Helping "Deck the Halls" at Sandy Hook

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Written by **Dee Loflin, SMT Writer**

Poplar Bluff, Missouri - Oak Grove Elementary students wanted to help the students of Sandy Hook Elementary in any way they could.

They decided to bring a little cheer to a community devastated by the recent tragedy of losing 20 children and 6 adults.

They chose to make paper snowflakes in Mrs. Shelly Tune's fourth grade class last week and then mailed them to the Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut.

The Parent-Teacher Association in Newtown were requesting students across the nation to help support each other during this time and as the educators prepare to continue the school year they will have to teach in an older facility.

These beautifully, hand-made snowflakes made from the hearts of so many children will help deck the halls of their temporary relocation. This is truly the season to give!

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Three Rivers College Registration

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Submitted by **Dee Loflin, SMT Writer**

Poplar Bluff, Missouri - Prospective students still have time to register for Spring semester classes at Three Rivers College in Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

On-site registration will continue January 8, 2013 through January 11, 2013 at the Poplar Bluff campus and full-service centers in Sikeston, **Dexter**, Kennett, Malden, and Cape Girardeau. The semester starts on January 14th.

New students must register in person; however current students can register online through the "myTRCC system." Those interested in enrolling can browse available courses by clicking "Search for Classes" at trcc.edu.

For registration assistance or to schedule an advising appointment, contact the Welcome Center at 573-840-9605; or Centers in Sikeston, 573-472-5223; **Dexter, 573-614-1081;** Malden, 573-276-3529; or Kennett, 573-888-6381.

"We try to schedule courses and classes so that it's just as easy for students to start in the spring semester as it is in the fall," said Dr. Angela Totty, Vice President for Student Success. "Some students wait until the fall to start because they have a misconception that the classes they need aren't available in the spring, and that simply isn't the case."

Totty advises new students needing financial aid to begin the application process as soon as possible, as the priority deadline for processing spring financial aid has already passed.

For more information on how to apply for financial assistance at Three Rivers, visit trcc.edu/financialaid.

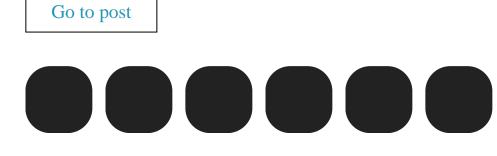
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