



# Lawrence University (8-12, 6-9 MWC)

at

# Beloit College (7-13, 6-9 MWC)

Tuesday, Feb. 10, 7:30 p.m.

Flood Arena, Beloit, Wis.



## 2014-15 LAWRENCE SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time/Res.
<b>11/15</b>	<b>Dominican (Ill.)</b>	<b>W, 66-49</b>
11/18	at Wisconsin Luth.	W, 68-65
<b>11/22</b>	<b>Ripon</b>	<b>L, 89-79 OT</b>
<b>12/3</b>	<b>Beloit</b>	<b>W, 64-53 OT</b>
12/6	at Illinois College	W, 87-59
12/9	at Lake Forest	L, 79-70
<b>12/13</b>	<b>UW-Stevens Point</b>	<b>L, 60-49</b>
12/17-18 Wisconsin Dells Classic		
12/17	vs. Grand View	L, 71-63
12/18	vs. Viterbo	L, 74-55
1/3	at Grinnell	L, 126-116
<b>1/7</b>	<b>St. Norbert</b>	<b>L, 81-72</b>
1/10	at Monmouth	L, 74-57
<b>1/13</b>	<b>Carroll</b>	<b>W, 69-62</b>
<b>1/17</b>	<b>Cornell</b>	<b>L, 72-61</b>
1/21	at Ripon	L, 72-63
1/24	at Knox	W, 76-54
<b>1/27</b>	<b>Lake Forest</b>	<b>L, 78-60</b>
<b>1/31</b>	<b>Knox</b>	<b>W, 76-60</b>
2/4	at St. Norbert	L, 81-63
<b>2/7</b>	<b>Illinois College</b>	<b>W, 100-67</b>
2/10	at Beloit	7:30 pm
2/18	at Carroll	7:30 pm
<b>2/21</b>	<b>Monmouth</b>	<b>3:00 pm</b>
2/27-28	MWC Tournament	TBA

Home games in bold



## PROBABLE STARTERS

### Lawrence

Forward	Trace Sonnleitner	Jr.	6-5
Forward	Andrew Borresen	Sr.	6-3
Guard	Ryan DePouw	Sr.	6-3
Guard	Jamie Nikitas	Jr.	6-0
Guard	Troy Miller	Jr.	6-0



### Beloit

Forward	Steve McAfee	Jr.	6-5
Forward	Alex Hade	Sr.	6-5
Guard	Rudy Bentley	Jr.	5-8
Guard	Andrew Bremner	So.	6-3
Guard	Sean Fancsali	Sr.	6-4

## SCHEDULE

►Lawrence travels south to Beloit on Tuesday for a 7:30 p.m. game with the Bucs at Flood Arena.

## VIDEO WEBCAST

►The game features a free video webcast at: <http://portal.stretchinternet.com/lawrence/>. Dick Knapinski and Anthony Totoraitis are on the call for Lawrence home games. A link for Lawrence webcasts is on the Lawrence basketball page.

## THE COACHES

►Joel DePagter (Lawrence 1998), the 1997 Midwest Conference Player of the Year and 2009 Midwest Conference Coach of the Year, is in his eighth season at Lawrence and has a record of 105-80 (.568).

►Brian Vraney (Wisconsin 1998) is in his eighth season at Beloit and has a record of 64-118 (.352).

## THE SERIES

►In a series that goes back to 1911, Beloit holds a 100-72 advantage. Lawrence has had the best of the play in

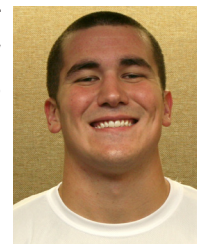
## LAWRENCE'S LONGEST SERIES WINNING STREAKS

Team	Streak	Years
Northwestern (Wis.)	19	1926-85
UW-Oshkosh	17	1918-54
Beloit	16	2002-09
Milton	16	1913-68

recent years with the Vikings winning 16 consecutive games from the 2001-02 season to the 2009-10 season. Lawrence has won three straight and 21 of the last 24 against Beloit.

## LAST GAME

Lawrence star Ryan DePouw topped 1,000 points as the Vikings routed Illinois College 100-67 in a Midwest Conference game at Alexander Gymnasium this past Saturday.



Ryan DePouw

DePouw, a senior guard from Oconto, Wis., scored 26 points and now has 1,001 points for his career.

DePouw is the 22nd player in Lawrence history to score 1,000 points. DePouw hit 8-of-13 shots from the floor, including 4-of-6 from 3-point range, and was a perfect 6-for-6 from the foul line.

Jamie Nikitas added 16 points and a game-high six rebounds for the Vikings. Connor Weas scored 15 points in just 16 minutes for Lawrence, and Trace Sonnleitner and Mitch Willer added 12 points apiece.

Cody Hildebrand and Max Stutsmann scored 12 points apiece to pace the Blueboys.

Lawrence actually trailed 18-8 after the Blueboys hit four of their first five attempts from beyond the arc. Lawrence then took command by going on a 13-2 run over the next 2:48 to grab a 21-20 lead. DePouw, Nikitas and Weas all hit 3-pointers during that run for the Vikings.

Lawrence led 29-24, but the Vikings really caught fire over the final 10 minutes of the first half. The Vikings outscored Illinois College 31-9 in the final 9:42 of the half to grab a 60-33 advantage at the half. DePouw had 14 points in the first half, and the Vikings had four players in double figures by the break.

Lawrence quickly pushed the lead to 34 at 72-38 just 3:42 into the second half and the rout was on. The Vikings would lead by as many as 37 points in the second half.

## VIKINGS UPDATE

►The Vikings hit the century mark in their win over Illinois College on Saturday. It was the first time Lawrence had scored 100 points in a game against an opponent other than Grinnell since they did it against Illinois College on Dec. 3, 2010. Jon Mays scored 26 points that day in Lawrence's 100-79 win over the Blueboys.

►Senior swingman Ryan DePouw (Oconto, Wis./Oconto) became the 22nd player in Lawrence history to



## MWC Standings

	MWC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
St. Norbert*	15	0	19	1
Monmouth	10	4	13	6
Ripon	10	5	13	7
Grinnell	10	5	12	8
Lake Forest	8	7	9	10
Lawrence	6	9	8	12
Beloit	6	9	7	13
Carroll	5	10	8	12
Cornell	5	10	6	14
Knox	4	11	6	14
Illinois College	3	12	4	16

\*Clinched MWC Tournament berth

## Games Tuesday

- Lawrence at Beloit
- Cornell at Monmouth
- Lake Forest at St. Norbert

## Games Saturday

- Grinnell at Lake Forest
- Carroll at Cornell
- St. Norbert at Knox
- Ripon at Illinois College
- Monmouth at Beloit

top 1,000 points when he passed the plateau against Illinois College. DePouw scored a season-high 26 points and fell one short of topping his career high of 27 vs. Cornell on Feb. 15, 2014. DePouw is just five points from passing Rob Cohen (1,005) for 21st on the career scoring list.

►DePouw has pushed his season scoring average to 13.8 points per game, which is second on the team and 14th in the Midwest Conference. DePouw is second on the team in rebounding at 4.9 per game and second at 2.9 assists per game.

## DEPAGTER'S RECORD

Lawrence head coach Joel DePagter is in his eighth season as the Vikings' coach. He is the only person in Midwest Conference history to be named both Player of the Year (1997) and Coach of the Year (2009).



Overall Record	105-80
Home	55-30
Away	47-41
Neutral	3-8

Midwest Conference Record	81-53
Home	45-25
Away	37-30

Nonconference Record	24-26
Home	11-5
Away	10-13
Neutral	3-8

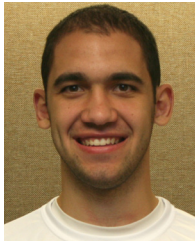
## DePagter vs. the MWC

Beloit	10-3
Carroll	9-8
Cornell	4-3
Grinnell	5-9
Illinois College	13-2
Knox	14-1
Lake Forest	8-6
Monmouth	12-1
Ripon	6-10
St. Norbert	5-12

## DePagter vs. Nonconference Opponents

Ashford	0-1
Cal Lutheran	0-1
Caltech	1-0
Coe	1-1
Concordia (Ill.)	1-0
Dominican (Ill.)	2-0
Elmhurst	0-2
Florida College	1-0
Grand View	0-1
Johnson and Wales (Fla.)	1-0
Lakeland	1-0
Manchester	0-1
Marian	2-2
Mount St. Vincent	1-0
Nova Southeastern	1-0
St. Mary's (Md.)	0-1
Southeastern (Fla.)	0-1
Trinity (Fla.)	1-0
Viterbo	0-1
Washington (Mo.)	0-1
Wheaton (Ill.)	0-1
Wisconsin Lutheran	4-0
UW-Oshkosh	1-3
UW-Stevens Point	1-7
UW-Whitewater	0-1

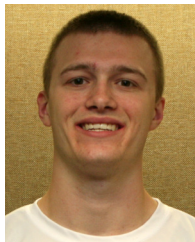
►Junior guard Jamie Nikitas (Glenview, Ill./Glenbrook South) has now scored in double figures in back-to-back game after going through a four-game stretch



*Jamie Nikitas*

where he averaged just 7.0 points per contest. Nikitas is tops on the team in scoring at 14.3 points per game, good for 11th in the conference. Nikitas is the team's top rebounder and is second in the league at 7.9 per game. Nikitas also tops the team at 3.0 assists per game.

►Sophomore guard Connor Weas (Whitefish Bay, Wis./Whitefish Bay) was the microwave last Saturday because he heated up in a hurry. Weas scored a career-high 15 points



*Connor Weas*

in just 16 minutes against Illinois College. Weas topped his previous career best of 10 points at Monmouth earlier this season. Weas went 5-for-6 from the floor, including 3-for-3 from beyond the arc against the Blueboys. Weas is now shooting 45.5 percent (10-22) from beyond the arc this season.

►Sophomore forward Mitch Willer (Sussex, Wis./Sussex Hamilton) has had a breakout second half of this season. Since the Vikings returned from the holidays, Willer has averaged 8.0 points while shooting 74.0 percent (37-50) from the floor over the last 11 games.

►Lawrence ranks sixth in the Midwest Conference in scoring offense at 70.8 points per game, and the Vikings are fourth in scoring defense at 71.2 points per contest.

►Lawrence ranks fourth in the league in field goal percentage defense at 44.7 percent, and the Vikings are shooting 45.0 percent, which is

## Lawrence University Basketball Facts

Location	Appleton, Wis.
Founded	1847
Enrollment	1,450
President	Mark Burstein
Affiliation	NCAA Division III
Conference	Midwest Conference
Nickname	Vikings
School Colors	Blue and White
Home Arena	Alexander Gymnasium (1929, capacity 1,100)
Director of Athletics	Mike Szkodzinski
First season of basketball	1896
Seasons of basketball	111
All-time record	960-1059-1 (.475)
Midwest Conference titles	8
	1924-25, 1942-43, 1996-97, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2007-08, 2008-09
MWC Tournament titles	6
	1997, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009
NCAA Tournament appearances	6
	1997, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009

eighth.

►Lawrence ranks fifth in the Midwest Conference in free-throw shooting at 71.2 percent. The Vikings have been great from the line in the last five games. Lawrence has hit 56-of-68 free throws for 82.4 percent in the last five contests. DePouw (19-22, 86.4 percent), Trace Sonnleitner (13-15, 86.7 percent) and Willer (9-11, 81.8 percent) are all shooting better than 80 percent in that stretch.

►Lawrence ranks fifth in 3-point shooting at 37.0 percent, and the Vikings are sixth in defending the 3-pointer at 35.7 percent.

### SCOUTING BELOIT

►Beloit saw its modest two-game win streak snapped this past Saturday with a 74-53 loss to ninth-ranked St. Norbert. Bryan Dalton came off the bench to pace the



### 1,000 POINT CLUB

Player	Points	Years
Chris Braier	1,565	2002-06
Joel Dillingham	1,554	1989-93
Ryan Kroeger	1,537	2005-09
Chris Siebert	1,360	2010-14
Doug Fyfe	1,342	1972-76
Adam LaVoy	1,273	1997-2001
Joel Ungrodt	1,247	1961-64
Matt Miota	1,246	1987-91
Joel DePagter	1,243	1995-98
Ben Zagorski	1,175	1994-98
Mike Fogel	1,175	1975-79
Reggie Geans	1,160	1985-89
John Dekker	1,117	2006-10
Shawn Koerner	1,115	1985-89
Richard Schultz	1,088	1964-67
Tom Steinmetz	1,073	1963-66
Jason Holinbeck	1,051	2001-05
Strat Warden	1,042	1969-72
Bob Townsend	1,031	1966-69
Jim Rasmussen	1,030	1958-61
Rob Cohen	1,005	1976-80
<b>Ryan DePouw</b>	<b>1,001</b>	<b>2011-now</b>

Green Knights with 22 points as he hit all eight of his shots from the floor and was a perfect 4-for-4 from the foul line. Steve McAfee led Beloit with 22 points on 9-for-14 shooting.

►McAfee, a 6-foot-5 junior, is fourth in the Midwest Conference in scoring at 19.0 points per contest while shooting 54.6 percent from the floor. McAfee is tops in rebounding on the squad at 7.2 per game.

►Guard Rudy Bentley also is averaging double figures in points at 10.4 per contest. Bentley also leads the squad and ranks fourth in the conference at 4.5 assists per game.

►Michael Gulve is the leading 3-point shooter on the squad. He has hit 29-

of-66 shots from beyond the arc for a 43.9 percent clip.

►Beloit is scoring 68.1 points per game, and that ranks eighth in the conference. Beloit is seventh in the league in scoring defense at 75.3 points per game.

►The Bucs are shooting 45.2 percent from the floor, good for seventh in the league. Beloit is 10th in field goal percentage defense at 48.9 percent.

►Beloit is last in the league in free-throw shooting at 64.2 percent.

►Beloit ranks 10th in the conference in 3-point shooting at 29.4 percent. The Bucs are last in 3-point defense at 41.4 percent.



### D3HOOPS.COM TOP 25

Rnk	Team	Rec.	Pts.	Pr.
1.	UW-Whitewater (16)	18-2	615	1
2.	St. Thomas (5)	17-1	597	2
3.	Marietta (4)	19-0	580	3
4.	Dickinson	17-2	542	5
5.	Randolph-Macon	17-2	510	8
6.	Augustana	17-3	472	4
7.	Albertus Magnus	17-1	458	9
8.	Virginia Wesleyan	16-3	432	11
9.	St. Norbert	17-1	409	14
10.	WPI	16-3	348	6
11.	Babson	17-2	347	17
12.	Washington U.	15-3	338	7
13.	Johns Hopkins	17-2	284	18
14.	Emory	14-4	256	12
15.	UW-Stevens Point	16-4	251	19
16.	Franklin and Marshall	17-2	246	20
17.	Richard Stockton	17-3	227	13
18.	Whitworth	17-2	222	21
19.	Elmhurst	16-4	208	16
20.	Wooster	15-4	169	10
21.	St. Olaf	15-3	105	24
22.	Chapman	16-2	85	15
23.	Catholic	17-3	84	--
24.	St. John Fisher	17-2	48	--
25.	William Paterson	16-3	47	25

**Dropped out:** No. 22 Eastern Connecticut; No. 23 NYU.

**Others receiving votes:** Ohio Wesleyan 45; NYU 38; Case Western Reserve 37; Illinois Wesleyan 29; Chicago 24; MIT 12; Eastern Connecticut 12; Centre 9; Hardin-Simmons 9; Penn State-Behrend 9; Amherst 7; Trinity (Conn.) 5; Cal Lutheran 4; Bates 2; North Central (Ill.) 2; Bethel 1.

**2014-15 Lawrence Basketball**  
**Lawrence University Combined Team Statistics (as of Feb 09, 2015)**  
**All games**

<b>RECORD:</b>	<b>OVERALL</b>	<b>HOME</b>	<b>AWAY</b>	<b>NEUTRAL</b>
ALL GAMES	8-12	5-6	3-6	0-0
CONFERENCE	6-9	4-4	2-5	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	2-3	1-2	1-1	0-0

#	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds				pf	dq	a	to	blk	stl	pts	avg		
					fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fa	ft%	off	def	tot	avg										
03	Jamie Nikitas	19-19	624	32.8	107-240	.446	18-70	.257	39-63	.619	27	124	151	7.9	46	0	57	43	0	40	271	14.3		
11	Ryan DePouw	18-18	593	32.9	72-161	.447	29-80	.363	75-95	.789	20	69	89	4.9	34	1	53	51	3	13	248	13.8		
25	Trace Sonnleitner	20-20	552	27.6	92-202	.455	35-91	.385	35-41	.854	11	60	71	3.6	41	1	30	34	20	9	254	12.7		
12	Jeremy Stephani	20-1	458	22.9	62-146	.425	39-93	.419	16-31	.516	12	40	52	2.6	28	1	37	22	1	20	179	9.0		
30	Troy Miller	20-20	546	27.3	46-115	.400	31-85	.365	13-15	.867	17	42	59	3.0	33	1	29	17	0	18	136	6.8		
04	Mitch Willer	20-0	252	12.6	46-76	.605	0-0	.000	15-21	.714	9	32	41	2.1	46	2	9	12	15	3	107	5.4		
33	Andrew Borresen	20-20	456	22.8	35-81	.432	22-47	.468	1-5	.200	9	46	55	2.8	33	1	32	14	6	9	93	4.7		
24	Connor Weas	20-0	189	9.5	17-37	.459	10-22	.455	7-9	.778	7	15	22	1.1	17	0	11	7	0	4	51	2.6		
23	Peter Winslow	19-2	246	12.9	14-37	.378	4-14	.286	13-19	.684	15	23	38	2.0	35	1	23	15	8	5	45	2.4		
21	Shane Cullian	10-0	46	4.6	8-12	.667	0-0	.000	0-2	.000	4	5	9	0.9	7	0	1	0	0	1	16	1.6		
10	Eric Weiss	6-0	22	3.7	2-4	.500	0-2	.000	2-2	1.000	0	1	1	0.2	1	0	5	4	1	0	6	1.0		
05	Evan McLaughlin	8-0	27	3.4	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	4-4	1.000	1	2	3	0.4	5	0	1	3	0	0	6	0.8		
32	Ben Peterson	8-0	21	2.6	2-7	.286	0-4	.000	0-2	.000	3	6	9	1.1	2	0	0	1	3	0	4	0.5		
00	Kalind Nash	6-0	18	3.0	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	0.2	2	0	2	4	0	0	0	0.0		
Team											19	21	40											
Total.....		20	4050		504-1121	.450	188-508	.370	220-309	.712	155	486	641	32.0	330	8	290	232	57	122	1416	70.8		
Opponents.....		20	4050		513-1148	.447	146-409	.357	252-367	.687	188	502	690	34.5	318	-	233	215	49	134	1424	71.2		

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>LU</b>	<b>OPP</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Att.</b>
SCORING	1416	1424	11/15/14	DOMINICAN (ILL.)	w 66-49	568
Points per game	70.8	71.2	11/18/14	at Wisconsin Lutheran	w 68-65	229
Scoring margin	-0.4	-	* 11/22/14	RIPON COLLEGE	Lot 79-89	867
FIELD GOALS-ATT	504-1121	513-1148	* 12/03/14	BELOIT COLLEGE	Wot 64-53	679
Field goal pct	.450	.447	* 12/06/14	at Illinois College	w 89-57	310
3 POINT FG-ATT	188-508	146-409	* 12/09/14	at Lake Forest College	L 70-79	463
3-point FG pct	.370	.357	12/13/14	UW-STEVENS POINT	L 49-60	912
3-pt FG made per game	9.4	7.3	12/17/14	at Grand View University	L 63-71	212
FREE THROWS-ATT	220-309	252-367	12/18/14	VITERBO UNIVERSITY	L 55-74	231
Free throw pct	.712	.687	* 01/03/15	at Grinnell College	L 116-126	1002
F-Throws made per game	11.0	12.6	* 01/07/15	ST. NORBERT COLLEGE	L 72-81	784
REBOUNDS	641	690	* 01/10/15	at Monmouth College	L 57-74	150
Rebounds per game	32.0	34.5	* 01/13/15	CARROLL UNIVERSITY	w 69-62	567
Rebounding margin	-2.4	-	* 01/17/15	CORNELL COLLEGE	L 61-72	878
ASSISTS	290	233	* 01/21/15	at Ripon College	L 63-72	455
Assists per game	14.5	11.7	* 01/24/15	at Knox College	w 76-54	455
TURNOVERS	232	215	* 01/27/15	LAKE FOREST COLLEGE	L 60-78	452
Turnovers per game	11.6	10.8	* 01/31/15	KNOX COLLEGE	w 76-60	681
Turnover margin	-0.8	-	* 02/04/15	at St. Norbert College	L 63-81	602
Assist/turnover ratio	1.3	1.1	* 02/07/15	ILLINOIS COLLEGE	w 100-67	681
STEALS	122	134				
Steals per game	6.1	6.7	* - Conference game			
BLOCKS	57	49				
Blocks per game	2.9	2.5				
ATTENDANCE	7300	3878				
Home games-Avg/Game	11-664	9-431				
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0				

<b>Score by Periods</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Totals</b>
Lawrence University	683	714	19	1416
Opponents	667	739	18	1424

**2014-15 Lawrence Basketball**  
**Lawrence University Points-Rebounds-Assists (as of Feb 09, 2015)**  
**All games**

Opponent	Date	Score		00	03	04	05	10	11	12
				NASH,KALIN	NIKITAS,JA	WILLER,MIT	MCLAUGHLIN	WEISS,ERIC	DEPOUW,RYA	STEPHANI,J
DOMINICAN (ILL.)	11/15/14	66-49	w	0-0-0	16-13-3	0-1-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	9-6-1
at Wisconsin Lutheran	11/18/14	68-65	w	DNP	23-11-4	2-2-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	5-2-0
RIPON COLLEGE	11/22/14	79-89	L	DNP	28-11-3	2-3-0	DNP	DNP	17-5-1	0-2-4
BELOIT COLLEGE	12/03/14	64-53	w	DNP	16-14-4	0-1-0	DNP	DNP	19-4-1	6-3-1
at Illinois College	12/06/14	89-57	w	0-0-1	14-15-3	0-1-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	19-8-7	8-2-1
at Lake Forest College	12/09/14	70-79	L	DNP	21-7-1	2-1-0	DNP	DNP	18-6-5	9-5-0
UW-STEVENS POINT	12/13/14	49-60	L	DNP	14-7-2	7-4-1	DNP	DNP	8-2-3	9-0-2
at Grand View Universit	12/17/14	63-71	L	DNP	8-13-4	4-2-0	DNP	DNP	6-5-2	18-2-2
VITERBO UNIVERSITY	12/18/14	55-74	L	0-0-0	DNP	2-0-0	2-0-0	0-0-1	7-6-1	12-4-4
at Grinnell College	01/03/15	116-126	L	DNP	19-8-4	3-1-0	DNP	DNP	18-8-7	22-4-4
ST. NORBERT COLLEGE	01/07/15	72-81	L	DNP	19-4-2	2-0-1	DNP	DNP	10-3-5	3-0-0
at Monmouth College	01/10/15	57-74	L	DNP	5-6-1	2-1-1	DNP	DNP	11-4-0	4-2-2
CARROLL UNIVERSITY	01/13/15	69-62	w	DNP	18-7-3	6-5-0	DNP	DNP	10-4-2	15-4-3
CORNELL COLLEGE	01/17/15	61-72	L	DNP	14-3-1	12-0-0	DNP	DNP	16-4-4	3-2-4
at Ripon College	01/21/15	63-72	L	DNP	6-7-3	8-3-1	DNP	DNP	16-5-3	7-1-1
at Knox College	01/24/15	76-54	w	0-0-0	8-6-8	10-2-2	2-2-0	2-0-1	8-3-0	17-3-1
LAKE FOREST COLLEGE	01/27/15	60-78	L	DNP	5-4-3	13-3-1	2-0-0	DNP	9-2-3	13-0-1
KNOX COLLEGE	01/31/15	76-60	w	0-1-0	9-6-0	8-4-0	0-0-0	0-0-1	10-8-5	10-5-1
at St. Norbert College	02/04/15	63-81	L	DNP	12-3-4	12-3-1	0-0-0	DNP	20-7-1	7-2-1
ILLINOIS COLLEGE	02/07/15	100-67	w	0-0-1	16-6-4	12-4-1	0-1-1	4-0-1	26-5-3	2-3-4

Opponent	Date	Score		21	23	24	25	30	32	33
				CULLIAN,SH	WINSLOW,PE	WEAS,CONNO	SONNLEITNE	MILLER,TRO	PETERSON,B	BORRESEN,A
DOMINICAN (ILL.)	11/15/14	66-49	w	0-1-0	11-4-4	0-1-0	7-4-4	21-3-2	0-1-0	2-3-3
at Wisconsin Lutheran	11/18/14	68-65	w	0-1-0	0-5-2	0-0-0	22-4-3	13-3-2	DNP	3-6-1
RIPON COLLEGE	11/22/14	79-89	L	DNP	0-4-0	0-0-0	23-6-1	9-2-3	DNP	0-3-3
BELOIT COLLEGE	12/03/14	64-53	w	DNP	1-2-1	2-3-0	10-7-2	10-1-2	DNP	0-2-1
at Illinois College	12/06/14	89-57	w	4-1-0	2-1-2	0-5-1	18-6-1	13-2-1	2-2-0	9-3-2
at Lake Forest College	12/09/14	70-79	L	DNP	0-2-2	1-0-0	8-5-1	8-2-0	DNP	3-3-0
UW-STEVENS POINT	12/13/14	49-60	L	DNP	3-3-1	3-0-0	5-2-1	0-4-0	DNP	0-1-0
at Grand View Universit	12/17/14	63-71	L	DNP	1-0-2	6-1-0	12-4-3	5-1-0	DNP	3-3-2
VITERBO UNIVERSITY	12/18/14	55-74	L	0-0-0	1-1-0	3-0-1	14-1-2	7-4-2	0-0-0	7-8-1
at Grinnell College	01/03/15	116-126	L	DNP	6-3-3	5-0-0	23-3-2	9-6-3	DNP	11-1-2
ST. NORBERT COLLEGE	01/07/15	72-81	L	DNP	2-1-0	0-1-0	21-3-1	6-2-3	DNP	9-1-2
at Monmouth College	01/10/15	57-74	L	DNP	1-3-0	10-2-0	12-5-2	6-4-1	DNP	6-0-2
CARROLL UNIVERSITY	01/13/15	69-62	w	DNP	0-0-2	3-1-1	11-5-0	0-2-5	DNP	6-2-1
CORNELL COLLEGE	01/17/15	61-72	L	DNP	0-0-1	0-1-1	11-2-2	2-5-0	DNP	3-5-0
at Ripon College	01/21/15	63-72	L	0-1-0	10-4-1	0-0-0	7-2-1	4-3-1	DNP	5-2-1
at Knox College	01/24/15	76-54	w	2-0-0	2-2-1	3-3-1	14-4-1	2-3-2	0-0-0	6-3-3
LAKE FOREST COLLEGE	01/27/15	60-78	L	4-3-1	DNP	0-1-1	5-2-1	3-2-0	0-1-0	6-4-1
KNOX COLLEGE	01/31/15	76-60	w	2-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	19-3-1	13-7-1	0-1-0	5-1-4
at St. Norbert College	02/04/15	63-81	L	2-1-0	2-0-0	0-1-4	0-1-0	2-0-1	0-0-0	6-2-1
ILLINOIS COLLEGE	02/07/15	100-67	w	2-1-0	3-3-1	15-2-1	12-2-1	3-3-0	2-4-0	3-2-2

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**November 15**

**Lawrence 66, Dominican (Ill.) 49**

APPLETON, Wis. -- Troy Miller enjoyed a stellar shooting night to lead the Lawrence University men's basketball team to a 66-



49 nonconference victory over Dominican (Ill.) University in the season opener on at Alexander Gymnasium.

Miller went 7-for-11 from 3-point range on his way to a career-high 21 points for the Vikings (1-0). Miller, who had never scored in double digits in a game, scored 15 points in the second half as the Vikings pulled away.

Jamie Nikitas had a double-double for the Vikings with 16 points and a game-high 13 rebounds. Peter Winslow, making his first career start for Lawrence, scored 11 points and tied for game-high honors with four assists. Trace Sonnleitner added seven points, four assists, four rebounds and three blocks for the Vikings.

Freshman Jeremy Stephani played 28 minutes and scored nine points and grabbed six rebounds in his Lawrence debut. The Vikings played without star swingman Ryan DePouw, who missed the game due to injury.

Tim Robertson paced Dominican (0-1) with 14 points, and Josh Mayberry added nine.

Lawrence built an early 13-point lead, but the Stars finished the first half on a 14-5 run to trim the margin to 25-21 at the break.

Miller then hit four 3-pointers as part of a 22-8 run over the first nine minutes of the second half that pushed Lawrence's lead to 18 points. The Vikings pulled out to a 47-29 advantage and would build that lead to as many as 23 points.

Dominican never got closer than 13 points over the final 10 minutes of the game.

**November 18**

**Lawrence 68, Wisconsin Lutheran 65**

MILWAUKEE, Wis. -- Jeremy Stephani hit a key 3-pointer and Trace Sonnleitner



made two clutch free throws to lift the Lawrence University men's basketball team to a 68-65 nonconference victory over Wisconsin Lutheran College at the Recreation Complex.

Jamie Nikitas recorded his second consecutive double-double to begin the season with 23 points and 11 rebounds for the Vikings (2-0). Sonnleitner poured in a career-high 22 points and Troy Miller added 13 points for Lawrence.

Jake Jarnigo led Wisconsin Lutheran (0-1) and all scorers with 29 points. Jim Marose added 14 points, and Brett Lubbe had a game-high 12 rebounds for the Warriors.

The teams swapped the lead throughout, and Andrew Borresen's 3-pointer with 4:08 left tied it at 59-59 for the Vikings. Lawrence followed that with a free throw from Nikitas and a Sonnleitner 3-pointer for a 63-59 edge.

Jarnigo countered with a 3-pointer for the Warriors to trim the margin to 63-62, but Stephani buried a 3-pointer from the left corner with 1:19 left.

The Vikings still led 66-62 when Marose went to the foul line with 47 seconds left. He missed both free throws, but the Warriors got the rebound, and Jarnigo buried a 3-pointer with 41 seconds left to cut the lead to 66-65.

Sonnleitner was fouled with just 7.4 seconds left and drained both free throws to put the Vikings back up by three. Jarnigo missed a 3-pointer at the buzzer that would have tied it.

**November 22**

**Ripon 89, Lawrence 79 (OT)**

APPLETON, Wis. -- Ty Sabin scored 34 points and the Ripon College men's



basketball team enjoyed a huge advantage at the foul line as the Red Hawks downed Lawrence University 89-79 in overtime in a Midwest Conference game at Alexander Gymnasium.

Sabin hit 9-of-18 shots from the floor and went 13-for-14 from the foul line to pace Ripon (3-1, 2-0 MWC). Kyle Loughrin had a double-double for Ripon with 21 points and 12 rebounds.

Jamie Nikitas recorded his third consecutive double-double to start the season with 28 points and 11 rebounds for the Vikings (2-1, 0-1). Trace Sonnleitner scored a career-high 23 points for the Vikings and added six rebounds.

Ripon won the game at the foul line where the Red Hawks connected on 29-of-39. Lawrence was just 9-of-15 from the line, and the Vikings were whistled for 30 fouls, compared to 15 for Ripon.

Ripon took charge in the overtime by scoring the first nine points of the extra period, highlighted by Loughrin's three-point play, to lead 83-74 with 2:09 left. Lawrence cut the margin to as close as five points at 84-79 on a pair of Nikitas free throws with 50 ticks left.

Ripon then connected on 5-of-6 shots from the foul line to seal the win.

Lawrence had built a 12-point edge at 50-38 with 13:56 left in the second half before Ripon rallied. The Red Hawks scored nine consecutive points before Nikitas' 3-pointer with 9:57 left gave Lawrence a 53-47 lead.

Ripon kept the pressure on and went on a 17-4 run to take a 64-57 lead with 4:29 left. Ryan DePouw quickly scored the next four points, Sonnleitner hit a 3-pointer and Nikitas got a driving layup to tie the game at

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66-66 with 2:51 left.

Ripon built the lead back to 72-67 with 48 seconds remaining in regulation before Sonnleiter drilled another 3-pointer. After a pair of free throws from Sabin, Nikitas answered with a layup to cut the lead to 74-72. The Red Hawks turned it over, and Nikitas drove uncontested to the basket for another layup and tied it at 74-74 with eight seconds left.

Sabin missed a jumper with two seconds left that would have won it in regulation.

### December 3

#### Lawrence 64, Beloit 53 (OT)

APPLETON, Wis.

-- Lawrence University men's basketball coach Joel DePagter picked up

win No. 100 at Alexander Gymnasium, but it took some drama in regulation and a superlative overtime to get to the century mark.

Jamie Nikitas got a layup with 0.7 seconds left in regulation to tie the game, and he then scored the first four points of the overtime to lead the Vikings to a 64-53 Midwest Conference victory over Beloit College.

Nikitas finished with his fourth consecutive double-double to start the season by scoring 16 points and grabbing 14 rebounds. Ryan DePouw paced Lawrence (3-1, 1-1 MWC) with 19 points, and Trace Sonnleitner and Troy Miller added 10 points apiece for the Vikings.

DePagter, in his eighth season as Lawrence's head coach, became just the fourth coach in Lawrence history to earn 100 victories. He joins John Tharp (204), Arthur Denney (151) and Mike Gallus (147).

Steve McAfee led Beloit (2-4, 1-2) with 15 points and 10 rebounds. Rudy Bentley and Sean Fancsali added 13 points apiece for the Bucs.

Beloit led by as many as seven points in the second half, but Lawrence battled back to tie it at 48-48 on Sonnleitner's 3-pointer with 5:49

left. Beloit finally took the lead back at 50-48 on a pair of Bentley free throws with 2:30 left.

Bentley could have sealed the win when he was fouled with eight seconds left, but he missed the front end of a one-and-one and Nikitas grabbed the rebound. He drove the floor and scored on a layup with less than a second left to tie it at 50-50 and force the overtime.

Lawrence then took control early in the overtime as Nikitas scored on another driving layup for a 52-50 lead, and he then knocked down a pair of free throws to put the Vikings up by four. After a Beloit miss, Sonnleitner's athletic, high-flying tip-in gave Lawrence a 56-50 lead with 2:39 left. DePouw followed with a layup and Lawrence led 58-50.

Beloit finally got on the board in the overtime with a pair of Bentley free throws, but Lawrence went 6-for-8 from the foul line in the final 1:24 to seal the victory.

### December 6

#### Lawrence 87, Illinois College 59

JACKSONVILLE,

Ill. -- The Lawrence University men's basketball team hit 14 3-pointers en route to an 87-59 Midwest Conference rout of Illinois College at Sherman Gymnasium.

The Vikings (4-1, 2-1 MWC) hit 14-of-33 shots from beyond the arc and constructed a 24-point halftime lead. Illinois College (1-4, 0-2) never got closer than the halftime margin and trailed by as many as 42 points in the second half.

Guard Jamie Nikitas posted his fifth consecutive double-double to start the season with 14 points and 15 rebounds for the Vikings. Senior swingman Ryan DePouw led Lawrence and all scorers with 19 points and he handed out a game-high seven assists to go with eight rebounds.

Trace Sonnleitner added 18

points, hitting 4-of-7 shots from 3-point range, to go with six rebounds for the Vikings. Troy Miller also was in double figures for the Vikings with 13 points.

Mitchell Patterson led Illinois College with 13 points.

Lawrence led by double digits just 4:14 into the game on Sonnleitner's layup that provided a 13-2 advantage. Illinois College managed to trim the lead to 20-14 with 11:50 left before halftime, but the Vikings answered back.

The Vikings hit six 3-pointers over the next 6:21 to break the game wide open. A 20-4 run was capped by Miller's 3-pointer and put the Vikings up 40-18 with 5:29 left in the opening half.

Lawrence led by as many as 26 points in the first half before settling for a 53-29 at the break.

### December 9

#### Lake Forest 79, Lawrence 70

LAKE FOREST, Ill. -- The

Lake Forest College men's basketball team led the entire game

and posted a 79-70 Midwest Conference win over Lawrence University.

Torrey Davis led four Lake Forest players in double figures with 20 points. Jim Schick posted a double-double for Lake Forest (3-4, 3-3 MWC) with 16 points and a game-high 11 rebounds.

Jamie Nikitas paced Lawrence (4-2, 2-2) with 21 points and seven rebounds. Ryan DePouw added 18 points, six rebounds and a game-high five assists for the Vikings.

Lawrence trailed from the opening minute and was down by as many as 11 points in the first half before the Vikings rallied. Lawrence scored nine consecutive points, including six on a pair of 3-pointers from Troy Miller and capped by a DePouw layup, to cut the lead to 26-24.

Lake Forest responded by finish-





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ing the half on a 9-2 run and led 35-26 at the half.

Lawrence trimmed the margin to four points twice early in the second half, but the Foresters pushed the lead to 48-36 with 15:12 left.

The Vikings trailed by as many as 15 points after that and got no closer than 77-70 with 36 seconds left. Lawrence had the ball at that point but missed its next three shots from the floor to seal its fate.

### December 13

#### No. 21 UW-Stevens Point 60

#### Lawrence 49

APPLETON, Wis.

-- The No. 21 UW-

Stevens Point men's basketball team

held off Lawrence

University 60-49 in a nonconference battle at Alexander Gymnasium.

Lawrence battled back from double-digit deficits in each half, but the Pointers rallied each time to post their fourth consecutive victory.

Jordan Lutz led four UW-Stevens Point players in double figures with 15 points. Stephen Pelkofer and Alex Richard added 14 points apiece for Stevens Point (7-2).

Jamie Nikitas paced the Vikings (4-3) with 14 points and seven rebounds, and Jeremy Stephani came off the bench to add nine points.

The Vikings were ice cold to start the game, and Stevens Point led by double figures at 11-1 with 12:54 left in the first half. Lawrence, which shot just 32.5 percent for the game, trailed by as many as 13 points in the first half, but the Vikings rallied late. Nikitas buried a 3-pointer and Mitch Willer added a layup to trim the margin to 26-19 at the half.

Stevens Point built the lead back to 38-28 on Lutz's 3-pointer with 11:38 left in the game, but Lawrence responded again. Nikitas and Connor Weas hit back-to-back 3-pointers and Stephani converted a free throw to cut the margin to 38-35 with 9:53 remaining.

The Vikings began attacking the basket and got their next seven points from the foul line. Stevens Point absorbed every punch and started to pull away. Three consecutive layups, two from Richard and another from Pelkofer, built the advantage to 51-39 with 3:12 left.

Sonnleitner countered with a pair of free throws for the Vikings, but Austin Ryf followed with a 3-pointer on the next possession for the Pointers to help seal the victory.

Stevens Point then made 4-of-5 free throws in the final 40 seconds to put the game away.

### December 17

#### Grand View 71, Lawrence 63

WISCONSIN DELLS,

Wis. — The Lawrence

University men's basketball team nearly came

all the way back from a

20-point deficit before

falling 71-63 to Grand View University

in a nonconference game on at Just A Game Field House.

Lawrence (4-4), which trailed 44-24 late in the first half, cut the lead to two points on two occasions in the second half before Grand View (5-5) pulled away.

Jeremy Stephani came off the bench to lead Lawrence with 18 points. A freshman guard, Stephani hit 6-of-9 shots from the floor, including 5-of-7 from 3-point range. Trace Sonnleitner added 12 points for the Vikings, and Jamie Nikitas had a game-high 13 rebounds to go with eight points and four assists.

Jjuan Hadnot led Grand View with 16 points, including 14 in the first half. Grand View big men Alex Welsch and Nick Lyon had 12 points apiece on a combined 12-for-15 shooting from the floor.

Grand View was red-hot in the first half, connecting on 61.8 percent of its shots from the floor.

Grand View led by double digits at 14-3 just 5:07 into the contest. Grand View built the lead to 44-24 with 3:04

left in the opening half.

Lawrence scored eight of the half's final 10 points, getting 3-pointers from Stephani and Sonnleitner and a layup from Connor Weas, to cut the lead to 46-34 at the half.

Lawrence trailed 58-45 in the second half, but the Vikings went on a 13-2 run, capped by Nikitas' layup, to cut the lead to 60-58 with 6:20 left.

Nathan Washington answered with a 3-pointer for Grand View, but the Vikings got the margin back to 65-63 on Weas' 3-pointer with 3:09 remaining.

Grand View answered with a layup from Welsch and a 3-pointer from Rodney Williams, his only points of the second half, to stretch the lead to 70-63 and seal the win.

### December 18

#### Viterbo 74, Lawrence 55

WISCONSIN

DELLS, Wis. — The

Viterbo University

men's basketball

team jumped out to

a 15-point lead in the first 10 minutes

and never looked back en route to a

74-55 nonconference win over Lawrence University at the Just A Game Field House.

Viterbo (8-7) led by as many as 22 points in the first half, and the Vikings (4-5) weren't able to get any closer than 16 points in the second half.

David Shepard scored 19 of his game-high 21 points in the first half to pace Viterbo. Pete Drummond added 15 points and went 4-for-5 from 3-point range for the V-Hawks.

Trace Sonnleitner scored 14 points to pace the Vikings, who played without star guard Jamie Nikitas due to injury. Freshman Jeremy Stephani started in Nikitas' place and added 12 points, four assists and four rebounds.

Andrew Borresen, Ryan DePouw and Troy Miller added seven points apiece for the Vikings, and Borresen had a team-best eight rebounds.

Viterbo shot 56.3 percent in the first half with Shepard scoring in the



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post, and Drummond knocking down a trio of 3-pointers.

Lawrence struggled to knock down open shots as the Vikings connected on only 5-of-25 shots from beyond the 3-point line.

### January 3

#### Grinnell 126, Lawrence 116

GRINNELL, Iowa — The Grinnell College men's basketball team pulled away in the final minutes and posted a 126-116 Midwest Conference victory over Lawrence University at Darby Gymnasium.



Jack Taylor led Grinnell (5-6, 3-3 MWC) with 21 points but hit just 5-of-15 shots from the floor.

Trace Sonnleitner led Lawrence and all scorers with 23 points as he hit 9-of-12 shots from the floor. Freshman guard Jeremy Stephani added 22 points for the Vikings (4-6, 2-3). Stephani went 6-for-7 from the floor, including 3-for-3 from beyond the arc, and was 7-for-8 from the foul line.

Jamie Nikitas added 19 points and Ryan DePouw had 18 for the Vikings, and both players had eight rebounds.

Lawrence shot 69.4 percent from the floor and shot 68.4 percent from beyond the arc as the Vikings hit 13-of-19 shots from long distance.

Grinnell led by as many as 16 points in the first half before Lawrence cut the lead to 63-54 at the half. Lawrence opened the second half on a 12-2 run and took a 66-65 lead with 16:38 left on Andrew Borresen's 3-pointer.

The teams traded the lead before Lawrence built a 94-86 advantage with 10:10 remaining. Grinnell rallied and took the lead back for good at 101-99 on Julian Marx's 3-pointer with 7:06 left.

Lawrence trailed 104-101 after Nikitas' layup with 6:32 left, but Grinnell hit its final seven shots from the floor to pull away for the win.

### January 7

#### No. 20 St. Norbert 81, Lawrence 72

APPLETON, Wis. — The 20th-ranked St. Norbert College men's basketball team battled to an 81-72 Midwest Conference victory over a scrappy Lawrence University squad at Alexander Gymnasium.



St. Norbert big man Steven Hofacker paced the Green Knights (11-1, 7-0 MWC) with 19 points and seven rebounds. Austin Elliott added 18 points and six assists for the Green Knights, who shot 65.1 percent (28-for-43) for the game.

Trace Sonnleitner led Lawrence (4-7, 2-4) and all scorers with 21 points. Jamie Nikitas added 19 points, and Ryan DePouw had 10 points and a team-high five assists.

Like a pair of heavyweight fighters, the teams traded haymakers in the first half. St. Norbert shot 17-for-24 from the floor in the first half, but Lawrence was 15-for-29 from the floor and hit eight 3-pointers in the opening 20 minutes.

Sonnleitner scored 17 points and went 3-for-4 from beyond the arc to keep the Vikings close in the first half. St. Norbert built a seven-point lead late in the first half, but Sonnleitner hit a jumper and Jamie Nikitas had a three-point play to trim the advantage to 43-39 at the break.

St. Norbert went on a 12-5 run to open the second half as Hofacker scored six points during that burst. Lawrence chipped away at the lead and cut it to 68-62 on a pair of Sonnleitner free throws with 5:34 left.

Mitch Winter answered with a 3-pointer for St. Norbert and Andrew Schwoerer hit a pair of free throws to push the lead back to 72-62 with 4:17 remaining. Lawrence cut the lead to seven on a pair of occasions after that, but St. Norbert hit six consecutive free throws in the final 58 seconds to seal the victory.

### January 10

#### Monmouth 74, Lawrence 57

MONMOUTH, Ill. — The Monmouth College men's basketball team rallied from a 10-point deficit in the second half to post a 74-57 Midwest Conference victory over Lawrence University at Glennie Gymnasium.



Andrew Mathison scored 25 points on 11-for-12 shooting from the floor to pace the Scots (9-3, 6-1 MWC). Will Jones added 12 rebounds to go with eight points for Monmouth.

Trace Sonnleitner led Lawrence (4-8, 2-5) with 12 points, and Ryan DePouw added 11. Connor Weas came off the bench to score 10 points for the Vikings and hit all four of his shots from the floor.

Lawrence trailed by as many as eight points in the first half, but the Vikings went on a 17-7 run over the final 7:51 to take a 32-28 lead at the break.

The Vikings then opened the second half on a 12-6 run, capped by a Jamie Nikitas free throw, to take a 44-34 lead with 14:37 remaining.

Monmouth then scored the game's next 13 points to take a 47-44 lead with 9:19 left. The Scots edged away from there, and Lawrence never got closer than 11 points the rest of the way.

### January 13

#### Lawrence 69, Carroll 62

APPLETON, Wis. — The Lawrence University men's basketball team turned back a Carroll University rally and posted a 69-62 Midwest Conference victory at Alexander Gymnasium.



Jamie Nikitas scored 18 points, including two on a clutch jumper in the final minute, and grabbed a team-high seven rebounds for the Vikings (5-8, 3-5 MWC). Jeremy Stephani came off the bench to add 15 points for Lawrence.

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Bryan Nagy had a double-double with 14 points and 11 rebounds for Carroll (7-6, 4-4). Kyle Keranen scored a team-best 18 points for the Pioneers.

Lawrence led 30-26 at the half but stretched that lead early in the second half. The Vikings scored eight consecutive points, including 3-pointers from Stephani and Trace Sonneleitner, to push the lead to 46-32 with 13:49 left.

Carroll responded with a 12-2 run, capped by a pair of Marcus Johnson free throws, to cut the lead to 48-44 with 9:37 left. The Pioneers kept reeling the Vikings in, and finally grabbed the lead at 61-59 on a pair of Keranen free throws with 2:15 remaining.

The Vikings broke Carroll's press on the next possession and got a dunk from Mitch Willer, who picked up six points, five rebounds and three blocks, to tie the game at 61-61.

After a Keranen miss, Willer was fouled and knocked down a pair of free throws to give Lawrence a 63-61 lead. Johnson then missed a contested layup, and Nikitas hit a 17-foot fadeaway jumper with the shot clock running out to put the Vikings up 65-61 with 38 seconds left.

Keranen was fouled on the next possession and hit one free throw to cut the lead to 65-62, but the Vikings hit four consecutive free throws in the final 20 seconds to seal the victory.

Sonneleitner added 11 points and five rebounds for the Vikings before fouling out, and Ryan DePouw chipped in with 10 points.

### January 17

#### Cornell 72, Lawrence 61

APPLETON, Wis. — The Cornell College men's basketball team rallied from an 11-point halftime deficit to post a 72-61 Midwest Conference win over Lawrence University at Alexander Gymnasium.

Nick Bobb scored 23 points and pulled down nine rebounds to lead Cornell (4-11, 3-7 MWC).



Ryan DePouw led Lawrence (5-9, 3-6) with 16 points, and Jamie Nikitas added 14 points. Mitch Willer came off the bench for Lawrence to score 12 points on 6-of-8 shooting in just 10 minutes of action. Trace Sonneleitner added 11 points for the Vikings.

Lawrence pulled away in the final three minutes of the first half to build a double-digit lead. The Vikings scored eight of the half's final 10 points, with six coming from Nikitas, to grab a 40-29 lead at the break.

The Rams scored the first six points of the second half before DePouw hit a 3-pointer with 14:35 left to push the lead back to 43-35.

Cornell kept chipping away at the advantage and took the lead at 53-52 on Bobb's layup with 8:05 remaining. The Rams steadily pulled away from that point and were up 65-58 after a pair of DePouw free throws with 1:55 left.

Lawrence was forced to foul at that point, and Cornell converted 7-of-8 free throws in the final 1:47 to seal the victory.

The Rams went 10-for-20 from the floor, including 4-for-8 from 3-point range, in the second half. Cornell's defense also limited Lawrence to just 21 second half points on 24 percent shooting (6-for-25). Lawrence also committed eight of its 12 turnovers in the second half.

### January 21

#### Ripon 72, Lawrence 63

RIPON, Wis. — The Ripon College men's basketball team rallied late in the second half and went on to a 72-63 Midwest Conference win over Lawrence University at the Storzer Center.

Justin Leistikow led Ripon with 21 points as he went 8-for-8 from the floor, including 3-for-3 from beyond the arc, and Kyle Loughrin added 19 points. Ripon's Ty Sabin, second in the nation in scoring at 29.3 points per game, was limited to 15 points and hit



only 4-of-13 shots from the floor.

Ryan DePouw paced Lawrence (5-10, 3-6) with 16 points, and Pete Winslow added 10 points as he connected on 3-of-4 shots from 3-point range. Mitch Willer had a perfect night as he added eight points on 3-for-3 shooting from the floor and 2-for-2 from the foul line.

Ripon had a 12-point advantage at 24-12 before Lawrence rallied in the first half. Lawrence went on a 15-2 run over the final 7:14 of the first half to take a 27-26 lead at the break. Winslow, Jeremy Stephani and Troy Miller had four points apiece over that stretch for the Vikings.

Lawrence led by as many as four points twice in the second half before Ripon rallied. In a four-minute stretch, the Red Hawks went on a 19-5 run to turn a 49-45 deficit into a 64-54 lead with 4:52 remaining. Loughrin scored seven points during the run for Ripon.

Winslow countered with a 3-pointer, and Vikings picked up a three-point play from Willer and a jumper from DePouw to cut the margin to 67-62 with 2:25 left.

Sabin then scored the game's next four points, sandwiched around a missed Lawrence 3-pointer, to push the lead back to 71-62 and seal the victory.

### January 24

#### Lawrence 76, Knox 54

G A L E S - BURG, Ill. — The Lawrence University men's basketball team



had one of its best shooting games of the season and rolled to a 76-54 Midwest Conference win over Knox College at Memorial Gymnasium.

The Vikings (6-10, 4-7 MWC) shot 55.1 percent from the floor, including 50 percent from beyond the arc.

Freshman Jeremy Stephani scored a game-high 17 points off the bench for the Vikings. Stephani was 6-for-8 from the floor, including 5-for-7 from 3-point range.

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Trace Sonleitner added 14 points for Lawrence, and Mitch Willer added 10 points on 5-for-5 shooting from the floor. Guard Jamie Nikitas had a career-high eight assists to go with eight points and six rebounds for the Vikings.

Caylab Herrera came off the bench to pace Knox (4-12, 2-9) with 10 points.

Lawrence got off to a fast start, hitting seven of its first nine shots from the floor to build a 20-10 with 12:59 left in the opening half. The Vikings cooled off a bit after that but led 39-27 at the half.

The Vikings then opened the second half on a 19-6 run to stretch the lead to 58-33 with 11:29 remaining. Sonleitner scored seven points in that stretch as the Vikings knocked down three consecutive 3-pointers.

Lawrence's largest lead would be 26 points as every Viking got to play in the second half. Twelve of Lawrence's 14 players scored at least two points.

### January 27

#### Lake Forest 78, Lawrence 60

APPLETON, Wis. — The Lake Forest College men's basketball team went on a 3-point shooting spree and downed Lawrence University 78-60 in a Midwest Conference game at Alexander Gymnasium.

Lake Forest went 15-for-24 (62.5 percent) from beyond the arc, and Danny Nikitas scored 24 of his game-high 27 points via the 3-pointer. Nikitas, the younger brother of Lawrence star Jamie Nikitas, went 8-for-12 on 3-pointers and shot 9-for-19 for the game.

Jim Schick added a double-double for Lake Forest with 15 points and 10 rebounds. Brian Madson also had 10 rebounds for the Foresters, who dominated on the glass with a 41-25 rebounding edge.

Lawrence's leading scorers both came off the bench as Mitch Willer

and Jeremy Stephani scored 13 points apiece. Willer was 5-for-7 from the floor, and Stephani went 5-for-9, including 3-for-5 from 3-point range.

Lawrence, which led only once in the game at 9-7, fell behind double digits after Lake Forest scored eight consecutive points to grab a 31-21 edge. Lake Forest would lead by as many as 13 points in the first half before settling for a 43-31 lead at the break.

The Vikings cut the lead to 45-35 on a Jamie Nikitas free throw early in the second half, but Lake Forest went on a 9-2 run to grab a 54-37 edge with 13:46 remaining.

Lawrence responded with a 9-2 run of its own, capped by Willer's dunk with 9:35 left, to cut the lead to 57-46. Danny Nikitas countered with a 3-pointer for the Foresters, Schick then scored on a conventional three-point play and Mason Zuniga hit a 3-pointer to push the lead back to 66-50.

Lawrence got no closer than 13 points the rest of the way.

### January 31

#### Lawrence 76, Knox 60

APPLETON, Wis. — Four Lawrence University men's basketball players scored in double figures, and the Vikings used that balanced attack to post a 76-60 Midwest Conference victory over Knox College at Alexander Gymnasium.

Trace Sonleitner led Lawrence (7-11, 5-8 MWC) with a game-high 19 points. Troy Miller added 13 points and seven rebounds for the Vikings, and Ryan DePouw and Jeremy Stephani scored 10 points apiece. DePouw also posted game highs with eight rebounds and five assists.

Mitch Murphy paced Knox (5-13, 3-10) with 14 points and five rebounds, and Deandre Weathersby added 10 points and four assists.

Lawrence grabbed the advantage early and kept the Prairie Fire at arm's length throughout the game. DePouw scored five points in a 10-0 Lawrence run that gave the Vikings a 20-10 lead with 9:16 left in the opening half.

Knox closed to six points late in the first half before Sonleitner's layup gave Lawrence a 34-26 lead at the break.

Sonleitner gave the Vikings a boost early in the second half as Lawrence went on a 12-2 scoring run. Sonleitner scored seven points in that run and Andrew Borresen hit a 3-pointer before Jamie Nikitas capped the outburst with a layup to give Lawrence a 46-30 edge.

Knox trimmed the lead to 46-34, but Lawrence immediately stretched the lead back to 56-37. Knox closed the margin to 64-52 with 6:41 left, but Stephani answered with a 3-pointer. Knox didn't get closer than 16 points the rest of the way.

### February 4

#### No. 9 St. Norbert 81, Lawrence 63

DE PERE, Wis. — The ninth-ranked St. Norbert College men's basketball team used a big scoring run in the second half to pull away for an 81-63 Midwest Conference win over Lawrence University at Schuldes Sports Center.

The Green Knights (18-1, 14-0 MWC) led 55-47 with 11:34 left in the contest after Mitch Willer's layup for the Vikings. St. Norbert then went on a 20-4 run over the next eight minutes to seal the victory.

Austin Elliott scored 20 points and handed out six assists and Steven Hofacker had 11 points and eight rebounds to pace the Green Knights.

Ryan DePouw poured in a season-high 20 points and grabbed a team-high seven rebounds for the Vikings (7-12, 5-9). Mitch Willer came off the bench to add 12 points, and Jamie Ni-



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Nikitas had 12 points and four assists for Lawrence.

St. Norbert, which never trailed in the game, led by as many as nine points late in the first half, but back-to-back layups from Willer and Troy Miller trimmed the Green Knights' lead to 35-30 at the half.

The Green Knights stretched the lead to 43-33 early in the second half, but a mini-run that featured a Jeremy Stephani 3-pointer and five points from DePouw trimmed the margin to 47-41. That was as close as the Vikings would get before St. Norbert put together its decisive scoring run.

St. Norbert enjoyed a huge advantage at the foul line where the Green Knights shot 12-for-19. Lawrence did not attempt a free throw as the Green Knights were whistled for only nine fouls.

Lawrence actually trailed 18-8 after the Blueboys hit four of their first five attempts from beyond the arc. Lawrence then took command by going on a 13-2 run over the next 2:48 to grab a 21-20 lead. DePouw, Nikitas and Weas all hit 3-pointers during that run for the Vikings.

Lawrence led 29-24, but the Vikings really caught fire over the final 10 minutes of the first half. The Vikings outscored Illinois College 31-9 in the final 9:42 of the half to grab a 60-33 advantage at the half. DePouw had 14 points in the first half, and the Vikings had four players in double figures by the break.

Lawrence quickly pushed the lead to 34 at 72-38 just 3:42 into the second half and the rout was on. The Vikings would lead by as many as 37 points in the second half.

### February 7

#### Lawrence 100, Illinois College 67

APPLETON, Wis.

— Lawrence University men's basketball star Ryan DePouw topped

1,000 points as the Vikings routed Illinois College 100-67 in a Midwest Conference game at Alexander Gymnasium.

DePouw, a senior guard from Oconto, Wis., scored 26 points and now has 1,001 points for his career. DePouw is the 22nd player in Lawrence history to score 1,000 points. DePouw hit 8-of-13 shots from the floor, including 4-of-6 from 3-point range, and was a perfect 6-for-6 from the foul line.

Jamie Nikitas added 16 points and a game-high six rebounds for the Vikings (8-12, 6-9 MWC). Connor Weas scored 15 points in just 16 minutes for Lawrence, and Trace Sonnleitner and Mitch Willer added 12 points apiece.

Cody Hildebrand and Max Stutsman scored 12 points apiece to pace the Blueboys (4-16, 3-12).

