



## Lawrence University (4-1, 2-1 MWC) at Lake Forest College (2-4, 2-3 MWC)

Tuesday, Dec. 9, 7:30 p.m.

**vs. No. 23 UW-Stevens Point (5-2)**

Saturday, Dec. 13, 3:00 p.m.



### 2014-15 LAWRENCE SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time/Res.
11/15	<b>Dominican (Ill.)</b>	<b>W, 66-49</b>
11/18	at Wisconsin Luth.	W, 68-65
11/22	<b>Ripon</b>	<b>L, 89-79 OT</b>
12/3	<b>Beloit</b>	<b>W, 64-53 OT</b>
12/6	at Illinois College	W, 87-59
12/9	at Lake Forest	7:30 pm
12/13	<b>UW-Stevens Point</b>	<b>3:00 pm</b>
12/17-18 Wisconsin Dells Classic		
12/17	vs. Grand View	5:30 pm
12/18	vs. Viterbo	7:30 pm
1/3	at Grinnell	3:00 pm
1/7	<b>St. Norbert</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>
1/10	at Monmouth	3:00 pm
1/13	<b>Carroll</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>
1/17	<b>Cornell</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>
1/21	at Ripon	7:30 pm
1/24	at Knox	3:00 pm
1/27	<b>Lake Forest</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>
1/31	<b>Knox</b>	<b>3:00 pm</b>
2/4	at St. Norbert	7:30 pm
2/7	<b>Illinois College</b>	<b>3:00 pm</b>
2/10	at Beloit	7:30 pm
2/18	at Carroll	7:30 pm
2/21	<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

#### Lake Forest



Forward	Jim Schick	So.	6-5
Forward	Torrey Davis	Jr.	6-4
Forward	Brian Madson	Sr.	6-6
Guard	Danny Nikitas	Fr.	6-0
Guard	Andrew Toth	So.	6-4

#### UW-Stevens Point



Forward	Jordan Lutz	Sr.	6-4
Forward	Alex Richard	Sr.	6-4
Guard	Austin Ryf	Sr.	6-0
Guard	Stephen Pelkofer	Jr.	6-1
Guard	Joe Ritchay	Sr.	6-3

### SCHEDULE

►Lawrence travels to Lake Forest on Tuesday for a 7:30 p.m. Midwest Conference game. The Vikings then host a tough nonconference opponent when UW-Stevens Point comes to Alexander Gymnasium for a 3 p.m. game on Saturday.

### VIDEO WEBCAST

►Both games feature 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 101-69 (.594).

►Ken Davis (Arizona State) is in his first season as head coach at Lake Forest after serving on the staff since 2007.

►Bob Semling (UW-Eau Claire 1981) is in his 10th season at UW-Stevens Point and has a record of 220-51 (.812).

### THE SERIES

►In a series that goes back to 1915, Lawrence holds a 57-47 edge over Lake Forest. Lawrence has won 16 of the last 22 games against the Foresters.

►The series with UW-Stevens Point stretches all the way back to 1896 and the Pointers hold a 31-13 advantage. Lawrence, which has played UWSP

ever year since 2003-04, hasn't won since a 75-59 victory at Alexander Gymnasium back in 2008-09.

### LAST GAME

Lawrence hit 14 3-pointers en route to an 87-59 Midwest Conference rout of Illinois College at Sherman Gymnasium on Saturday.

The Vikings hit 14-of-33 shots from beyond the arc and constructed a 24-point halftime lead. Illinois College never got closer than the half-time 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.

### VIKINGS UPDATE

►Lawrence coach Joel DePagter became the fourth coach in school history to notch 100 wins when the Vikings defeated Beloit last



### MWC Standings

	MWC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
St. Norbert	4	0	6	0
Carroll	3	1	4	2
Monmouth	3	1	4	2
Lawrence	2	1	4	1
Ripon	2	1	4	2
Grinnell	2	3	4	4
Lake Forest	2	3	2	4
Beloit	1	2	2	5
Cornell	1	3	2	3
Illinois College	0	2	1	4
Knox	0	3	1	6

### Games Tuesday

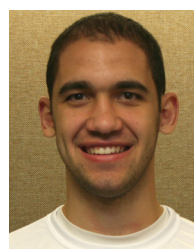
Lawrence at Lake Forest  
Grinnell at William Penn  
Ripon at Beloit  
Illinois College at Knox  
Coe at Cornell

### Games Saturday

UW-Stevens Point at Lawrence  
Simpson at Grinnell  
Illinois College at Ripon  
Cornell at Millikin  
St. Norbert at UW-Eau Claire

Wednesday. DePagter joins John Tharp (204), Arthur Denney (151) and Mike Gallus (147) as coaches with at least 100 victories. DePagter was the quickest to the century mark, accomplishing the feat in just 169 games. Tharp did it in 195 games.

►Junior guard Jamie Nikitas (Glenview, Ill./Glenbrook South) was named the Midwest Conference Player of the Week after a pair of outstanding games



Jamie Nikitas

### 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	101-69
Home	52-25
Away	46-38
Neutral	3-6

Midwest Conference Record	77-46
Home	42-22
Away	36-26

Nonconference Record	24-23
Home	11-4
Away	10-13
Neutral	3-6

### DePagter vs. the MWC

Beloit	10-3
Carroll	8-8
Cornell	4-2
Grinnell	5-8
Illinois College	12-2
Knox	12-1
Lake Forest	8-4
Monmouth	12-0
Ripon	6-9
St. Norbert	5-10

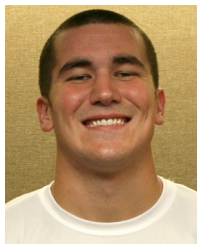
### DePagter vs. Nonconference Opponents

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
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
Washington (Mo.)	0-1
Wheaton (Ill.)	0-1
Wisconsin Lutheran	4-0
UW-Oshkosh	1-3
UW-Stevens Point	1-6
UW-Whitewater	0-1

against Midwest Conference foes. Nikitas averaged 15.0 points and 14.5 rebounds per game in a pair of Lawrence wins. Nikitas scored 16 points and grabbed 14 rebounds in Lawrence's 64-53 overtime win over Beloit. He hit a game-tying shot with 0.7 seconds left to force the OT and then scored the first four points of the extra period to put the Vikings in command. Nikitas followed that with 14 points and a career-high 15 rebounds in Lawrence's 87-59 win at Illinois College. Nikitas had 11 points, five rebounds, two assists and two steals in the first half as Lawrence blew out to a 24-point halftime advantage.

►Nikitas has now run his streak of double-doubles to five to start the season. Nikitas leads the Midwest Conference in rebounding at 12.8 per game, and he ranks fifth in scoring at 19.4 per contest.

►Senior swingman Ryan DePouw (Oconto, Wis./Oconto) appears to be back to form after missing the first two games due to injury. DePouw is second on the squad in both scoring and rebounding at 18.3 points and 5.7 rebounds per game.



Ryan DePouw

►With his 19 points against Illinois College, DePouw moved past the 800-point mark for his career and now has 808.

►With his length inside and shooting ability outside, junior Trace Sonnleitner (Appleton, Wis./North) has proven to be real inside-outside threat. Sonnleitner, who scored 18 points at Illinois College, was 4-for-7 from beyond the arc against the Blueboys and improved to 16-for-37 on the season.

►Junior guard Troy Miller (Lake In The Hills, Ill./Huntley) leads the squad with 17 3-pointers and ranks third in the conference at 3.4 3-pointers per

## 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	956-1049-1 (.477)
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

game. Miller is averaging 13.2 points per contest.

►Lawrence ranks sixth in the Midwest Conference in scoring offense at 73.2 points per game, and the Vikings are second in scoring defense at 62.6 points per contest.

►Lawrence ranks first in the league in field goal percentage defense at 36.8 percent, and the Vikings are shooting 42.7 percent, which is ninth.

►Lawrence ranks first in 3-point defense at 25.0 percent, and the Vikings are fourth in 3-point shooting at 35.8 percent.

### SCOUTING LAKE FOREST

►The Foresters are in a new era after the retirement of long-time coach Chris Conger. Conger stepped away from coaching completely after leading the Forest-



### 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

ers for 18 seasons and compiling 201 victories and two Midwest Conference championships. The new face on the bench isn't new as associate head coach Ken Davis took the reins from Conger. Davis has been on the Lake Forest coaching staff since 2007.

▶Lake Forest is coming off a 90-75 win at Knox this past Saturday. Freshman guard Danny Nikitas paced the Foresters with 24 points.

▶Danny Nikitas, the younger brother of Lawrence star Jamie Nikitas, leads Lake Forest in scoring at 14.2 points per contest.

▶The Foresters have a balanced attack with Brian Madson (12.8), Andrew Toth (11.2) and Torrey Davis (11.2) all averaging double figures in points.

▶Forward Jim Schick ranks third in the league in rebounding at 9.5 per contest.

▶Lake Forest ranks second in the Midwest Conference in scoring offense at 85.7 points per contest. The Foresters are 10th in scoring defense at 87.2 points per game. Those numbers are skewed a bit because the Foresters have played Grinnell once and had a triple-overtime game with St. Norbert.

▶Lake Forest is fourth in the league in field goal percentage at 47.6 percent and seventh in field goal percentage defense at 47.4 percent.

▶Lake Forest is shooting 36.2 percent from beyond the arc, and that ranks

third in the conference. The Foresters are seventh in field goal percentage defense at 36.1 percent.

### SCOUTING UW-STEVEN'S POINT

▶ UW-Stevens Point picked up a pair of Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference victories this past week following at loss to North Central (Ill.). The Pointers defeated UW-Eau Claire 64-50 and then topped UW-Superior 77-54.



UW-STEVEN'S POINT  
**POINTERS**

▶Forward Alex Richard leads the Pointers in scoring at 14.9 points per game. Richard is one of four players averaging in double figures for the Pointers.

▶Sean McGann leads the team in rebounding in his role coming off the bench at 5.3 per game. The Pointers are a minus-4.5 in rebounding margin on the season.

▶Stevens Point ranks sixth in the WIAC in scoring offense at 68.9 points per game. The Pointers are third in scoring defense at 60.3 points per contest.

▶Stevens Point is shooting 47.1 percent from the floor, which is third in the league. The Pointers are seventh in field goal percentage defense at 47.3 percent.

▶The Pointers are hitting at 33.0 percent from beyond the 3-point line, and that ranks seventh in the WIAC. Stevens Point is eighth in field goal percentage defense at 40.2 percent.



### D3HOOPS.COM TOP 25

Rnk	Team	Rec.	Pts.	Pr.
1.	Augustana (17)	5-0	616	1
2.	Amherst (4)	3-0	567	2
3.	UW-Whitewater (4)	4-1	561	3
4.	Washington U.	6-0	542	4
5.	St. Thomas	4-0	502	6
6.	Emory	4-0	458	9
7.	Virginia Wesleyan	4-0	427	12
8.	Richard Stockton	6-0	417	15
9.	Illinois Wesleyan	5-1	411	8
10.	Wooster	3-1	377	5
11.	MIT	4-0	349	16
12.	Dickinson	4-1	304	7
13.	WPI	4-1	300	14
14.	Ohio Wesleyan	5-0	271	21
15.	Centre	5-0	236	20
16.	Albertus Magnus	3-1	221	17
17.	Chicago	5-1	179	23
18.	DePauw	4-0	174	22
19.	Calvin	4-2	143	10
20.	St. Olaf	4-0	106	--
21.	Scranton	4-1	105	24
22.	North Central (Ill.)	4-0	91	--
23.	UW-Stevens Point	3-2	87	11
24.	St. Norbert	4-0	77	--
25.	Eastern Connecticut	7-1	74	--

**Dropped out:** No. 13 Randolph-Macon; No. 18 Cabrini; No. 19 Texas-Dallas; No. 25 Springfield.

**Others receiving votes:** Randolph-Macon 64; Claremont-Mudd-Scripps 58; Babson 47; Bowdoin 42; Marietta 39; Williams 30; Lynchburg 29; Chapman 29; Rhode Island College 25; Dubuque 24; Misericordia 23; Cabrini 19; Springfield 15; Christopher Newport 15; Marymount 12; Ohio Northern 10; Franklin and Marshall 10; Bates 8; Wheaton (Ill.) 8; Widener 6; Rutgers-Newark 3; Texas-Dallas 3; Gettysburg 4; Whitworth 3; Stevenson 2; Keene State 1.

**2014-15 Lawrence Basketball**  
**Lawrence University Combined Team Statistics (as of Dec 08, 2014)**  
**All games**

<b>RECORD:</b>	<b>OVERALL</b>	<b>HOME</b>	<b>AWAY</b>	<b>NEUTRAL</b>
ALL GAMES	4-1	2-1	2-0	0-0
CONFERENCE	2-1	1-1	1-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	2-0	1-0	1-0	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-fga	ft%	off	def	tot	avg								
03	Jamie Nikitas	5-5	181	36.2	37-79	.468	7-24	.292	16-27	.593	13	51	64	12.8	13	0	17	15	0	12	97	19.4
11	Ryan DePouw	3-3	105	35.0	18-39	.462	6-20	.300	13-15	.867	3	14	17	5.7	7	1	9	11	0	4	55	18.3
25	Trace Sonnleitner	5-5	161	32.2	31-69	.449	16-37	.432	2-3	.667	6	21	27	5.4	12	0	11	8	6	1	80	16.0
30	Troy Miller	5-5	178	35.6	23-45	.511	17-35	.486	3-3	1.000	4	7	11	2.2	12	1	10	2	0	6	66	13.2
12	Jeremy Stephani	5-0	110	22.0	10-31	.323	6-21	.286	2-4	.500	3	12	15	3.0	8	1	7	3	1	3	28	5.6
33	Andrew Borresen	5-5	114	22.8	6-20	.300	2-9	.222	0-0	.000	3	14	17	3.4	8	0	10	1	2	2	14	2.8
23	Peter Winslow	5-2	88	17.6	5-12	.417	0-2	.000	4-5	.800	7	9	16	3.2	13	1	9	7	4	1	14	2.8
21	Shane Cullian	3-0	11	3.7	2-2	1.000	0-0	.000	0-2	.000	2	1	3	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	1.3
32	Ben Peterson	2-0	5	2.5	1-3	.333	0-1	.000	0-2	.000	1	2	3	1.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1.0
04	Mitch Willer	5-0	46	9.2	2-13	.154	0-0	.000	0-2	.000	1	7	8	1.6	8	0	0	4	1	0	4	0.8
24	Connor Weas	5-0	34	6.8	0-2	.000	0-2	.000	2-2	1.000	3	6	9	1.8	4	0	1	0	0	0	2	0.4
00	Kalind Nash	2-0	7	3.5	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	0.0
05	Evan McLaughlin	2-0	5	2.5	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.0
10	Eric Weiss	2-0	5	2.5	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.5	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0
Team											5	8	13				3					
Total.....		5	1050		135-316	.427	54-151	.358	42-65	.646	51	153	204	40.8	90	4	76	59	14	29	366	73.2
Opponents.....		5	1050		110-299	.368	26-104	.250	67-105	.638	49	141	190	38.0	76	-	44	55	13	33	313	62.6

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>LU</b>	<b>OPP</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Att.</b>
SCORING	366	313	11/15/14	DOMINICAN (ILL.)	W 66-49	568
Points per game	73.2	62.6	11/18/14	at Wisconsin Lutheran	W 68-65	229
Scoring margin	+10.6	-	* 11/22/14	RIPON COLLEGE	Lot 79-89	867
FIELD GOALS-ATT	135-316	110-299	* 12/03/14	BELOIT COLLEGE	Wot 64-53	679
Field goal pct	.427	.368	* 12/06/14	at Illinois College	W 89-57	310
3 POINT FG-ATT	54-151	26-104	* - Conference game			
3-point FG pct	.358	.250				
3-pt FG made per game	10.8	5.2				
FREE THROWS-ATT	42-65	67-105				
Free throw pct	.646	.638				
F-Throws made per game	8.4	13.4				
REBOUNDS	204	190				
Rebounds per game	40.8	38.0				
Rebounding margin	+2.8	-				
ASSISTS	76	44				
Assists per game	15.2	8.8				
TURNOVERS	59	55				
Turnovers per game	11.8	11.0				
Turnover margin	-0.8	-				
Assist/turnover ratio	1.3	0.8				
STEALS	29	33				
Steals per game	5.8	6.6				
BLOCKS	14	13				
Blocks per game	2.8	2.6				
ATTENDANCE	2114	539				
Home games-Avg/Game	3-705	2-270				
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	163	184	19	366
Opponents	136	159	18	313

**2014-15 Lawrence Basketball**  
**Lawrence University Points-Rebounds-Assists (as of Dec 08, 2014)**  
**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

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

## 2014-15 GAME RECAPS

**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.

