



Lawrence University (3-7, 1-4 MWC)

vs.

Ripon College (4-7, 4-2 MWC)



Saturday, Jan. 11, 3 p.m.

Alexander Gymnasium, Appleton, Wisconsin

2013-14 LAWRENCE SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time/Res.
11/16	Eureka	L, 51-48
11/22	at Mount Mary	W, 78-44
12/4	Carroll	L, 64-42
12/5	Mount Mary	W, 80-29
12/11	at Cornell	L, 85-42
12/14	at Knox	W, 93-92
12/16	Illinois College	L, 91-54
12/19	at Finlandia	L, 79-72
1/2	Finlandia	L, 65-51
1/4	at St. Norbert	L, 76-30
1/11	Ripon	3:00 pm
1/14	at Lake Forest	7:30 pm
1/18	Grinnell	3:00 pm
1/22	at Ripon	7:30 pm
1/25	Knox	3:00 pm
1/28	at Carroll	7:30 pm
2/1	Monmouth	3:00 pm
2/5	St. Norbert	7:30 pm
2/8	at Illinois College	3:00 pm
2/12	at Beloit	7:30 pm
2/15	Cornell	5:00 pm
2/19	Lake Forest	7:30 pm
2/22	at Grinnell	3:00 pm
2/28-3-1	MWC Tournament	TBA

Home games in bold

PROBABLE STARTERS

Lawrence



Forward	Patsy Kealey	So.	5-11
Forward	Katie Schumacher	So.	5-11
Forward	Andrea Wilkinson	So.	6-0
Guard	Alex Deshler	Sr.	5-8
Guard	Kassidy Rinehart	Jr.	5-9

Ripon



Forward	Jill VanEperen	Sr.	5-9
Forward	Nicole Herkert	Fr.	5-10
Center	Morgan Johnson	So.	6-0
Guard	Kacie Cullen	Sr.	5-7
Guard	Sia Gonyo	Sr.	5-6

VIDEO WEBCAST

The game can be viewed at: [http://client.stretchinternet.com/client/lawrence.portal?mode=link#](http://client.stretchinternet.com/client/lawrence.portal?mode=link#client/lawrence.portal?mode=link#) with Dick Knapinski on the call. A link for the broadcast is on the Lawrence women's basketball page.

THE COACHES

► Ashley Wellman (Alma 2008) is in her first season at Lawrence.

► Lauren Johnson (Clarke 2008) is in her first season at Ripon.



Ashley Wellman

THE SERIES

► In a series that dates back to 1975, Ripon has a 47-28 lead in the rivalry. The Red Hawks have won 12 consecutive games against the Vikings. Lawrence hasn't beaten the Red Hawks since sweeping the season series in 2006-07. Lawrence's best stretch against Ripon came early in Amy Proctor's tenure as head coach when the Vikings won 10 of 11 from the 1988-89 season

into the 1993-94 season.

LAST GAME

Brianna Byrne and Tasha Giese both scored in double figures to lead St. Norbert to a 76-30 Midwest Conference victory over Lawrence last Saturday at Schuldes Sports Center.

Byrne came off the bench to score a game-high 15 points, and Giese had a double-double with 14 points and a game-high 12 rebounds.

Twelve players scored in the game for St. Norbert.

Kanae Nishitani came off the bench to lead Lawrence with eight points.

Katie Schumacher and Kassidy Rinehart had six points apiece for the Vikings, and Schumacher added a team-high eight rebounds.

St. Norbert needed less than six minutes in the game to build a double-digit lead at 12-2. The Green Knights went on to lead 36-18 at the half. St. Norbert's biggest lead of the game was the final margin of 46 points.

VIKINGS UPDATE

▶Lawrence is looking to rebound from one of its most difficult games this season. The Vikings scored a season-low 30 points at St. Norbert last Saturday.



▶Lawrence endured a frigid week shooting the basketball. In losses to Finlandia and St. Norbert, Lawrence shot just 23.2 percent (26-for-112) from the floor. The Vikings hit just 4-of-24 (16.7 percent) of its shots from 3-point range.

▶Senior guard Alex Deshler (La Crosse, Wis./Aquinas) leads the team in scoring at 9.4 points per game. She ranks 29th in the Midwest Conference in scoring. Deshler also ranks second on the team at 6.4 rebounds per contest.



Alex Deshler

▶Deshler is tops on the team and ranks second in the league in free-throw shooting at 91.7 percent (22-for-24).

▶Senior guard Amber Lisowe (Chilton, Wis./Fond du Lac Springs) saw her season come to an end before it got started. Lisowe was injured in pre-season practice and had not played. She saw a few minutes of action in three games in December before shutting it down for good. Lisowe had surgery in late December. She also missed her entire freshman season due to injury.

▶Sophomore forward Katie Schumacher (Little Chute, Wis./Little Chute) earned Midwest Conference Player of the Week honors in mid-December.



Katie Schumacher



MWC Standings

	MWC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
St. Norbert	5	0	8	2
Illinois College	5	1	7	4
Cornell	4	2	8	3
Monmouth	4	2	8	3
Carroll	4	2	7	4
Ripon	4	2	4	7
Beloit	3	2	3	7
Lawrence	1	4	3	7
Lake Forest	1	5	1	10
Grinnell	0	5	1	9
Knox	0	6	2	9

Games Wednesday

- Carroll at Monmouth
- Knox at Grinnell
- Beloit at St. Norbert

Games Friday

- Lake Forest at Cornell

Games Saturday

- Ripon at Lawrence
- Beloit at Illinois College
- Carroll at Grinnell
- St. Norbert at Monmouth

Schumacher picked up the award after a career day in Lawrence's stirring 93-92 comeback victory at Knox on Dec. 14. She hit career highs with 23 points and 16 rebounds as she recorded her first double-double of the season. Led by Schumacher finishing on the fastbreak against Knox's pressure defense, Lawrence rallied from an 18-point deficit in the second half. Schumacher, whose previous career highs were 17 points against Marian University and 15 rebounds vs. Finlandia University last season, led Lawrence to its first Midwest Conference road victory since the 2006-07 season. Lawrence had not won a road game in the league since a 71-55 victory at Beloit College on Feb. 10, 2007, a stretch

of 54 contests.

▶Schumacher is tops on the team and ranks sixth in the Midwest Conference at 6.6 rebounds per game.

▶Lawrence is sixth in the Midwest Conference in scoring defense at 67.6 points per game. The Vikings are 11th in the conference in scoring offense at 59.0 points per game.

▶Lawrence is ninth in the league in field goal percentage at 35.9 percent. The Vikings rank fourth in field goal percentage defense at 38.7 percent.

▶Lawrence is seventh in 3-point shooting at 24.8 percent, and Lawrence is seventh in defending the 3-pointer at 26.6 percent.

SCOUTING RIPON

▶Ripon, like Lawrence, has a first-year head coach. Lauren Johnson took over the Ripon program last May. A former standout player at Clarke, Johnson was an assistant coach at Coe before taking the head coaching job at Ripon. Johnson takes over for long-time coach Julie Johnson, who served as the coach for 23 seasons. Julie Johnson now serves as Ripon's director of athletics.



▶Senior forward Jill VanEperen leads the team and ranks second in the Midwest Conference at 17.8 points per game. She also leads the team in field goal percentage and ranks fifth in the league at 55.3 percent.

▶VanEperen is tops on the team at 3.8 assists per game, and that ranks fifth in the conference. Guard Sia Gonyo has a team-best 41 assists and ranks sixth in the league at 3.7 per game.

▶Forward Nicole Herkert also is scoring in double figures at 11.4 points per contest. Herkert also is the team's top rebounder at 6.1 per game. VanEperen is second on the squad at 5.8



D3HOOPS.COM TOP 25

Rnk	Team	Rec.	Pts.	Pr.
1.	DePauw (24)	12-0	623	1
2.	Washington U.	10-1	578	2
3.	Amherst (1)	10-0	560	3
4.	Whitman	11-0	538	4
5.	Hope	12-0	498	5
6.	Thomas More	11-0	491	6
7.	Tufts	10-0	452	7
8.	George Fox	11-0	441	10
9.	St. Thomas	8-1	438	9
10.	Williams	12-0	382	12
11.	Montclair State	11-1	378	11
12.	Emory	11-0	363	13
13.	FDU-Florham	9-0	321	14
14.	Wheaton (Ill.)	10-1	305	15
15.	York (Pa.)	11-0	275	19
16.	Carthage	10-2	224	16
17.	UW-Oshkosh	12-0	222	21
18.	John Carroll	9-0	190	24
19.	UW-Whitewater	9-3	170	8
20.	Rhodes	9-1	115	17
21.	Christopher Newport	9-2	71	--
22.	Ferrum	6-0	56	--
23.	Randolph-Macon	9-2	53	20
24.	UW-Stevens Point	9-3	50	22
25.	Bowdoin	11-1	40	25

Dropped out: No. 18 Ithaca; No. 23 Vassar.

Others receiving votes: Elizabethtown 37; Haverford 35; Ithaca 32; Trinity (Texas) 29; Lebanon Valley 23; Ohio Northern 22; Texas-Tyler 19; Wheaton (Mass.) 17; Texas-Dallas 16; Vassar 15; Moravian 14; Baldwin Wallace 8; TCNJ 6; Hartwick 5; St. Norbert 3; Olivet 3; Transylvania 2; New York University 2; DeSales 2; Bethel 1.

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	1975-76
Seasons of basketball	38
All-time record	354-449 (.441)
Midwest Conference titles	2 1989-90, 1998-99
Lake Michigan Conference titles	1 1988-89
NCAA tournament appearances	1 1999

rebounds per game.

►Ripon ranks eighth in the Midwest Conference in scoring offense at 67.0 points per game. The Red Hawks are seventh in the league in scoring defense at 68.3 points per contest.

►Ripon is shooting 40.9 percent from the floor, which ranks seventh in the conference. The Red Hawks are sixth in the league in field goal percentage defense at 39.8 percent.

►Ripon is one of the top 3-point shooting teams in the league as they rank third at 30.2 percent. Ripon is second in 3-point shooting defense at 24.5 percent.

2013-14 Lawrence Basketball
Lawrence University Combined Team Statistics (as of Jan 08, 2014)
All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(3-7)	(1-4)	(2-3)	(0-0)
CONFERENCE.....	(1-4)	(0-2)	(1-2)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(2-3)	(1-2)	(1-1)	(0-0)

## Player	GP-GS	Min--Avg	---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		FT-FTA	Pct	---REBOUNDS---				PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
			FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct			Off	Def	Tot	Avg								
12 Alex Deshler.....	10-10	321 32.1	30-94	.319	12-40	.300	22-24	.917	14	50	64	6.4	16	0	27	32	0	14	94	9.4
20 Kanae Nishitani....	10-3	269 26.9	33-113	.292	8-44	.182	20-30	.667	6	13	19	1.9	22	0	30	47	1	22	94	9.4
40 Katie Schumacher...	10-10	240 24.0	34-83	.410	0-0	.000	22-30	.733	40	26	66	6.6	24	0	5	28	2	5	90	9.0
23 Andrea Wilkinson...	10-10	259 25.9	35-72	.486	0-0	.000	16-25	.640	24	35	59	5.9	27	1	11	17	5	7	86	8.6
14 Kassidy Rinehart...	10-10	292 29.2	26-69	.377	0-0	.000	24-47	.511	15	33	48	4.8	33	3	30	43	4	18	76	7.6
02 Patsy Kealey.....	10-5	222 22.2	29-73	.397	3-9	.333	6-8	.750	8	39	47	4.7	32	2	13	27	6	9	67	6.7
21 Courtney Schmidt...	10-0	144 14.4	11-34	.324	4-14	.286	6-9	.667	3	13	16	1.6	14	0	4	16	2	6	32	3.2
42 Jeannine Schulz....	10-2	129 12.9	9-33	.273	0-0	.000	12-18	.667	12	20	32	3.2	15	0	5	14	1	3	30	3.0
32 Margaret Johnson...	10-0	90 9.0	8-25	.320	0-0	.000	1-3	.333	1	15	16	1.6	15	0	3	6	0	1	17	1.7
22 Bethany Hoster.....	3-0	15 5.0	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	1	2	0.7	5	0	0	0	0	1	2	0.7
10 Amber Lisowe.....	3-0	19 6.3	0-4	.000	0-2	.000	2-2	1.000	1	1	2	0.7	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0.7
TEAM.....									24	26	50	5.0	0		2					
Total.....	10	2000	216-601	.359	27-109	.248	131-196	.668	149	272	421	42.1	203	6	128	234	21	86	590	59.0
Opponents.....	10	2000	229-591	.387	53-199	.266	165-230	.717	109	268	377	37.7	172	-	133	185	31	109	676	67.6

TEAM STATISTICS	LU	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
SCORING.....	590	676	11/16/13	EUREKA COLLEGE	L	48-51	221
Points per game.....	59.0	67.6	11/22/13	at Mount Mary University	W	78-44	170
Scoring margin.....	-8.6	-	*12/4/13	CARROLL UNIVERSITY	L	42-64	179
FIELD GOALS-ATT.....	216-601	229-591	12/5/13	MOUNT MARY UNIVERSITY	W	80-29	300
Field goal pct.....	.359	.387	*12/11/13	at Cornell College	L	42-85	230
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	27-109	53-199	*12/14/13	at Knox College	W	93-92	200
3-point FG pct.....	.248	.266	*12/16/13	ILLINOIS COLLEGE	L	54-91	101
3-pt FG made per game..	2.7	5.3	12/19/13	at Finlandia University	L	72-79	75
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	131-196	165-230	1/2/14	FINLANDIA UNIVERSITY	L	51-65	101
Free throw pct.....	.668	.717	*1/4/14	at St. Norbert College	L	30-76	310
REBOUNDS.....	421	377					
Rebounds per game.....	42.1	37.7					
Rebounding margin.....	+4.4	-					
ASSISTS.....	128	133					
Assists per game.....	12.8	13.3					
TURNOVERS.....	234	185					
Turnovers per game....	23.4	18.5					
Turnover margin.....	-4.9	-					
Assist/turnover ratio..	0.5	0.7					
STEALS.....	86	109					
Steals per game.....	8.6	10.9					
BLOCKS.....	21	31					
Blocks per game.....	2.1	3.1					
WINNING STREAK.....	0	-					
Home win streak.....	0	-					
ATTENDANCE.....	902	985					
Home games-Avg/Game....	5-180	5-197					
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	0-0					

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	Total
Lawrence University.....	262	328	- 590
Opponents.....	321	355	- 676

2013-14 Lawrence Basketball
Lawrence University Game-by-Game Points-Rebounds-Assists (as of Jan 08, 2014)
All games

Opponent	Date	Score										
			02	10	12	14	20	21	22	23	32	
			WL KEALEY,PA	LISOWE,AM	DESHLER,A	RINEHART,	NISHITANI	SCHMIDT,C	HOSTER,BE	WILKINSON	JOHNSON,M	
EUREKA COLLEGE	11/16/13	48-51	L	7- 9- 1	DNP	6- 9- 2	2- 7- 1	17- 4- 1	0- 0- 0	DNP	10-12- 0	0- 0- 0
at Mount Mary University	11/22/13	78-44	W	4- 4- 0	DNP	13- 3- 4	20-10- 6	10- 2-10	4- 4- 2	0- 1- 0	7- 6- 0	7- 2- 0
CARROLL UNIVERSITY	12/4/13	42-64	L	2- 1- 0	DNP	6- 4- 0	5- 2- 2	11- 0- 2	0- 0- 0	DNP	2- 1- 0	0- 0- 0
MOUNT MARY UNIVERSITY	12/5/13	80-29	W	10- 1- 4	DNP	13- 6- 3	11- 4- 5	9- 5- 5	7- 3- 0	DNP	11- 8- 1	4- 7- 2
at Cornell College	12/11/13	42-85	L	3- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	12- 5- 0	6- 5- 0	7- 2- 5	8- 0- 0	DNP	0- 2- 1	4- 3- 0
at Knox College	12/14/13	93-92	W	15-11- 4	0- 0- 0	10- 6- 2	10- 6- 6	6- 3- 3	4- 2- 0	DNP	21- 6- 6	0- 4- 0
ILLINOIS COLLEGE	12/16/13	54-91	L	6- 4- 2	2- 2- 0	5- 6- 1	2- 0- 0	15- 0- 2	3- 3- 0	2- 0- 0	9- 4- 2	0- 0- 1
at Finlandia University	12/19/13	72-79	L	11- 6- 2	DNP	13-11- 8	9- 4- 7	7- 2- 0	6- 0- 0	DNP	12-13- 1	0- 0- 0
FINLANDIA UNIVERSITY	1/2/14	51-65	L	5- 6- 0	DNP	11-13- 7	5- 6- 2	4- 1- 1	0- 4- 1	DNP	13- 6- 0	2- 0- 0
at St. Norbert College	1/4/14	30-76	L	4- 3- 0	DNP	5- 1- 0	6- 4- 1	8- 0- 1	0- 0- 1	0- 1- 0	1- 1- 0	0- 0- 0

Opponent	Date	Score			
			40	42	
			WL SCHUMACHE	SCHULZ,JE	
EUREKA COLLEGE	11/16/13	48-51	L	4- 8- 1	2- 0- 1
at Mount Mary University	11/22/13	78-44	W	13- 4- 1	0- 1- 0
CARROLL UNIVERSITY	12/4/13	42-64	L	9- 7- 1	7- 7- 0
MOUNT MARY UNIVERSITY	12/5/13	80-29	W	6- 2- 1	9- 6- 3
at Cornell College	12/11/13	42-85	L	2- 0- 0	0- 3- 0
at Knox College	12/14/13	93-92	W	23-16- 0	4- 4- 0
ILLINOIS COLLEGE	12/16/13	54-91	L	10- 5- 1	0- 1- 1
at Finlandia University	12/19/13	72-79	L	9-10- 0	5- 5- 0
FINLANDIA UNIVERSITY	1/2/14	51-65	L	8- 6- 0	3- 2- 0
at St. Norbert College	1/4/14	30-76	L	6- 8- 0	0- 3- 0

2013-14 GAME RECAPS

November 16

Eureka 51, Lawrence 48

APPLETON, Wis.

— The Lawrence University women's basketball team missed a game-tying 3-pointer at the buzzer, and Eureka College hung on for a 51-48 nonconference victory in the season opener at Alexander Gymnasium.



Kelsey Shoemake posted a double-double for Eureka (1-0) with 15 points and 11 rebounds.

Andrea Wilkinson had her first career double-double for the Vikings (0-1) with 10 points and 12 rebounds. Kanae Nishitani led Lawrence and all scorers with 17 points and also picked up a team-high three steals.

Eureka led by as many as seven points in the first half, but the Vikings rallied early in the second half to tie the game at 25-25. The teams swapped the lead, and Lawrence took its final lead at 41-40 on Katie Schumacher's layup with 4:54 left.

The Red Devils led by three at 46-43 when Nishitani was whistled for a foul against Caty Eeten. Eeten missed both free throws, but Lawrence was called for another foul boxing out Eeten. Given another chance, she made both free throws to give the Red Devils a 48-43 lead with 56 seconds left.

Nishitani drove to the basket, scored and was fouled. She converted the three-point play to cut the margin to 48-46. After Jenna Brooks converted 1 of 2 free throws, Patsy Kealey hit a driving layup to cut the margin to 49-48 with 28 seconds left.

Brooks was fouled again and converted both free throws with eight seconds left to put the Red Devils up 51-48. The Vikings broke the Eureka press and found an open Alex Deshler in the corner, but her 3-pointer was off the mark at the buzzer.

November 22

Lawrence 78, Mount Mary 44

MILWAUKEE,

Wis. — The Lawrence University women's basketball team played a strong second half and cruised to a 78-44 nonconference victory over Mount Mary University at the Bloechl Center.



Kassidy Rinehart had a double-double with 20 points and 10 rebounds to lead Lawrence (1-1). Rinehart also had six assists and six steals. Freshman guard Kanae Nishitani had a double-double with 10 points and 10 assists, which was just two shy of tying the Lawrence game record.

It also was the first coaching victory for Lawrence coach Ashley Wellman, who is in her rookie season with the Vikings.

Katie Schumacher and Alex Deshler added 13 points apiece for the Vikings.

Taylor Baumgart scored 18 points and Ashley Leverenz added 14 points to pace Mount Mary (0-3).

Lawrence led 12-10 midway through the first half when the Vikings scored seven consecutive points, capped by a Rinehart free throw, to take a 19-10 edge with 7:35 left.

The Vikings would go on to lead 30-23 at the break, but Mount Mary scored the first six points of the second half to cut the lead to 30-29 at the 18:41 mark.

Lawrence led 34-33 when the Vikings went on a 17-6 run to take command. Rinehart scored six points and Andrea Wilkinson had five during the run that gave Lawrence a 51-39 lead with 10:06 left.

The Vikings then went on a 23-2 run to finish the game as Lawrence held the Blue Angels without a field goal over the final 7:48.

Lawrence held Mount Mary to just 25.9 percent shooting (7-27) in the second half while the Vikings shot 50 percent (19-38) from the floor after the break.

December 4

Carroll 64, Lawrence 42

APPLETON, Wis.

— The Carroll University women's basketball team opened the second half with a 13-0 run and went on to a 64-42 Midwest Conference victory over Lawrence University at Alexander Gymnasium.



Breann Maryanski paced Carroll (4-1, 2-0 MWC) with 17 points and seven rebounds. Kanae Nishitani led Lawrence (1-2, 0-1) with 11 points and four steals, and Katie Schumacher added nine points and a game-high seven rebounds.

The Pioneers led 29-21 at the half, and Malory Christenson opened the second half by hitting her only 3-point attempt of the game. Carroll hit its first five shots from the floor in the second half, capped by Christenson's layup, to take a 42-21 lead with 17:14 left.

Nishitani finally stopped the run by hitting her only 3-pointer of game at the 16:54 mark. Carroll would go on to lead by as many as 22 points, and the Vikings never got closer than 17 the rest of the way.

Lawrence was strong for nearly all of the first half, and the Vikings tied the game for the eighth time at 20-20 when Kassidy Rinehart hit a jumper with 4:21 left. Carroll then finished the opening half on an 8-1 run to lead 29-21 at the break.

Lawrence committed a season-worst 27 turnovers and hit on only 11 of 38 shots (28.9 percent) from the floor.

December 5

Lawrence 80, Mount Mary 29

APPLETON, Wis.

— The Lawrence University women's basketball team streaked to a big early lead and rolled to an 80-29 nonconference victory over Mount Mary University at Alexander Gymna-



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Alex Deshler paced four Lawrence players in double figures with 13 points, and she added six rebounds, four steals and three assists.

Kassidy Rinehart and Andrea Wilkinson had 11 points apiece for the Vikings (2-2), and Wilkinson pulled down a team-high eight rebounds. Patsy Kealey came off the bench to score 10 points for Lawrence.

Emily Barker paced Mount Mary (0-6) with 13 points, and Ashley Leverenz had a game-high nine rebounds.

Lawrence scored the first five points of the game and never looked back. The Vikings led by double digits at 16-5 on Jeannine Schulz's layup with 9:27 left in the first half.

Lawrence went on a 19-0 run over a span of 6:47 to expand the lead from 12-5 to 31-5 with 3:43 left in the first half. Deshler scored six points during the outburst and Wilkinson, Schulz and Katie Schumacher had four points apiece.

The Vikings forced 17 Mount Mary turnovers in the first half, and held the Blue Angels to just 13.6 percent shooting (3-for-22) before the break. Mount Mary didn't get to double figures on the scoreboard until 1:26 was left in the opening half.

Lawrence then scored the first 13 points of the second half to build a 52-11 lead with 16:02 left. The Vikings would lead by as many as 53 points.

December 11

Cornell 85, Lawrence 42

MOUNT VERNON, Iowa — The Cornell College women's basketball team pulled midway through the first half and went on to an 85-42 Midwest Conference win over Lawrence University.



Rikki Mulloy led Cornell (6-1, 3-0 MWC) with 19 points, and Taylor Dicus, who came into the game averaging 19 points and 13 rebounds per game, was limited to 14 points and

five rebounds.

Alex Deshler paced Lawrence (2-3, 0-2) with 12 points and five rebounds.

The Rams went on a 13-0 run in the first half to stretch their lead from 14-7 to 27-7 with 6:42 left. Lawrence did manage to trim the margin to 37-22 at the half.

Cornell responded by scoring the first eight points of the second half to stretch the lead to 45-22. Cornell steadily built its advantage and the biggest lead of the game was the final margin of 43 points.

December 14

Lawrence 93, Knox 92

GALESBURG, Ill. — Kassidy Rinehart hit a free throw with 1.6

seconds left to lift the Lawrence University women's basketball team to a 93-92 Midwest Conference win over Knox College.

The Vikings (3-3, 1-2 MWC) rallied from a 12-point deficit in the final 5:28 to earn their first road victory in the league since the 2006-07 season.

Sophomore forward Katie Schumacher posted a double-double with 23 points and 16 rebounds to pace Lawrence. Sophomore forward Patsy Kealey also had a double-double for the Vikings with 15 points and 11 rebounds.

Andrea Wilkinson poured in 21 points for the Vikings, and Rinehart and Alex Deshler had 10 points apiece.

Lawrence, which trailed by as many as 18 points in the second half, scored 57 second-half points to complete the comeback.

The Vikings trailed 86-74 before going on an 11-1 run to close the gap. Deshler got the run started with a three-point play, and Schumacher capped it with a jumper at the 3:05 mark to cut the lead to 88-85.

Knox pushed the lead back to five points, but Lawrence finally tied it at 90-90 on a pair of Wilkinson free throws with 1:14 remaining.

Jodi Marver, who lead Knox (1-7,

0-4) with 22 points, hit a jumper to put the Prairie Fire up 92-90. Rinehart countered with a jumper for the Vikings with 36 seconds left to tie it again.

Rinehart then stole the ball from Marver on the ensuing possession and was fouled with 1.6 seconds left. She missed the first free throw but made the second to give Lawrence the win.

December 16

Illinois College 91, Lawrence 54

APPLETON, Wis.

— Five Illinois College players scored in double figures, and the Lady Blues forced 35 turnovers en route to a 91-54 Midwest Conference win over Lawrence University at Alexander Gymnasium.

Kelly Lonergan came off the bench to pace Illinois College (6-3, 4-0 MWC) with 17 points. Hannah McGinnis added 16 points and six rebounds for the Lady Blues, and Brittney Burgess had 13 points and six boards.

Reserve guard Kanae Nishitani led Lawrence (3-4, 1-3) with 15 points, and Katie Schumacher added 10 points and five rebounds.

Lawrence led 12-11 midway through the first half when Illinois College took the lead for good. Lonergan scored five consecutive points to put the Lady Blues ahead, and Illinois College then had a strong finish to the first half.

The Lady Blues led 21-16 when they went on a 16-6 run over the final 5:20 of the first half to grab a 37-22 lead at the break.

Illinois College then scored the first 12 points of the second half to stretch the lead to 49-22 with 14:37 left. Lawrence didn't score in the second half until Schumacher's layup with 14:03 left. Lawrence never got closer than 20 points the rest of the way.

Illinois College would lead by as many as 40 points.



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December 19

Finlandia 79, Lawrence 72

HANCOCK, Mich.

— The Finlandia University women's basketball team held on for a 79-72 nonconference win over Lawrence University at the Nurmi Center.



All five of Finlandia's starters scored in double figures, and Marissa Burke paced the Lions (3-8) with a double-double of 21 points and 10 rebounds.

Both Andrea Wilkinson and Alex Deshler had a double-double for Lawrence (3-5). Wilkinson had 12 points and 13 rebounds, and Deshler had a team-high 13 points to go with 11 rebounds. Patsy Kealey added 11 points for the Vikings, and Katie Schumacher had 10 rebounds to go with nine points.

Finlandia built a double-digit lead in the first half thanks to its 3-point shooting. The Lions went 8-for-17 from beyond the arc in the first half and finished the game at 14-for-37.

Finlandia, which led by as many as 14 points in the first half, had to hold off several runs by the Vikings after the break. Lawrence went on a 7-0 run, capped by Kealey's three-point play, to cut an 11-point lead to 46-42 with 14:58 left.

Lawrence got as close as three points before the Lions pushed the lead back to 68-58 with 6:22 left. The Vikings responded with a 12-5 run, with Wilkinson scoring six points and Deshler adding four, to cut the lead to 73-70 with 2:15 left.

Paige Yoho then hit a key 3-pointer that pushed the lead to 77-70 with 1:28 left. Lawrence didn't get closer than five points after that.

January 2

Finlandia 65, Lawrence 51

APPLETON, Wis.

— The Lawrence University women's basketball team endured a frigid afternoon of



shooting and dropped a 65-51 non-conference decision to Finlandia University at Alexander Gymnasium.

The Vikings (3-6) hit on just 23.6 percent (17-72) of their shots from the floor, including 12.5 percent (2-16) from 3-point range. Finlandia (4-9) won the game from beyond the arc by hitting on 42.3 percent (11-26) of its 3-point attempts.

Hailey Gervais came off the bench to score a game-high 18 points for Finlandia. Brierra Ruska added 15 points for Finlandia and was 4-for-6 on 3-pointers. Marissa Burke had a double-double with 13 points and 11 rebounds for the Lions.

Andrea Wilkinson scored a team-high 13 points for Lawrence, and Alex Deshler had a double-double with 11 points and a game-high 13 rebounds. Deshler was just three assists shy of a triple-double with a team-high seven assists.

Lawrence led by as many as six points in the first five minutes of the game, but Finlandia quickly erased that advantage and went on to lead by as many as seven points at 22-15. The Vikings went on a 10-2 run, with six points coming from Deshler, to take its final lead of the game at 25-24 with 1:20 left in the opening half.

Finlandia then scored the final six points of the half and led 30-25 at the break. Paige Yoho then scored the first eight points of the second half, including hitting a pair of 3-pointers, to give the Lions a 38-28 lead.

Finlandia built the lead to as many as 17 points, and Lawrence never got closer than 11 points the rest of the way.

January 4

St. Norbert 76, Lawrence 30

DE PERE, Wis. — Brianna Byrne and Tasha Giese both scored in double figures to lead the St. Norbert College women's basketball team to a 76-30 Midwest Conference victory over Lawrence Univer-



sity at Schuldes Sports Center.

Byrne came off the bench to score a game-high 15 points, and Giese had a double-double with 14 points and a game-high 12 rebounds. Twelve players scored in the game for St. Norbert (8-2, 5-0 MWC).

Kanae Nishitani came off the bench to lead Lawrence (3-7, 1-4) with eight points. Katie Schumacher and Kassidy Rinehart had six points apiece for the Vikings, and Schumacher added a team-high eight rebounds.

St. Norbert needed less than six minutes in the game to build a double-digit lead at 12-2. The Green Knights went on to lead 36-18 at the half. St. Norbert's biggest lead of the game was the final margin of 46 points.