

IN BRIEF

Kal. Central forfeits 10 girls hoops wins

Kalamazoo Central's girls basketball team has forfeited 10 victories after the Michigan High School Athletic Association ruled a player ineligible, according to MLive.com.

The player appeared in the Maroon Giants' first 11 games of the season, which included 10 victories and a loss to Lakeshore. Six of the games forfeited were Southwestern Michigan Athletic Conference West Division contests.

Benton Harbor gained a forfeit victory over Kalamazoo Central, which moves the Tigers into a first-place tie with Lakeshore atop the SMAC West. Both teams are now 11-1 in the division, and will play each other Feb. 21.

A forfeit victory over Kalamazoo Central also improves Brandywine's record to 15-0 this season. Other local teams receiving forfeit wins were St. Joseph and Niles.

LMC women rout Jackson 86-45

The Lake Michigan College women's basketball team continued its tear through conference play at Jackson Community College Wednesday night.

The Red Hawks jumped on Jackson early and didn't let up on their way to a convincing 86-45 win.

LMC (12-0 MCCA, 21-3) had five players in double figures scoring, headed by Lacorsica Metts and Nicole Decker who each had 13.

DeYahanna Styles scored 11, Sabrina Trijullo 12 and Kaitelyn Smith 10 in the win.

Smith finished with a double-double thanks to her 12 rebounds.

Red Hawk men get comeback win

Down by six at halftime, the Lake Michigan College men's basketball team tightened up on the defensive end against Jackson Community College.

Along with strong games from Ken Coates and Roy Napier, the Red Hawks came away with a 79-64 win.

Coates finished with a double-double, a game-high 26 points and 11 rebounds, and Napier finished with 17.

Terrill Johnson (11) and Loren Johnson (10) each scored in double figures, too.

LMC trailed by six at halftime, 42-36, but were able to limit Jackson's scoring opportunities in the second half.

"We really turned it up defensively in the second half and that's really the way we came away with a win," said Red Hawk coach Doug Schaffer, who's team is now 7-5 in conference and 15-10 overall.