

IN BRIEF

LMC men get past Hope JVs 81-67

HOLLAND — The Lake Michigan College men's basketball team defeated the Hope College junior varsity 81-67 on Tuesday night.

Alec Brown had 17 points and four assists for the Red Hawks, who led most of the game.

LaBradford Sebree had 15 points and Kevion Morse added 10 points and eight rebounds for LMC (5-2).

Montel Green had nine rebounds for the Red Hawks, who return to action Friday against Wayne County in the Kalamazoo Valley Community College Classic.

Blackhawks' Crawford sidelined with injury

CHICAGO (AP) — Blackhawks goaltender Corey Crawford hurt his left foot when he missed a step while leaving a recent concert and is expected to be sidelined two to three weeks.

Crawford says he is "pretty embarrassed about it, frustrated." He says he won't talk about the details and is focused on returning quickly.

Antti Raanta replaced Crawford in goal for Wednesday night's game against St. Louis, and the Blackhawks recalled Scott Darling from the minors on Tuesday. It was Raanta's first start since Oct. 25 at St. Louis.

Crawford was off to a strong start before the injury. He is 12-5-1 with a 1.87 goals-against average and a .929 save percentage.

Crawford had made 14 consecutive starts. He made 19 saves in Saturday's 4-1 victory at Los Angeles in the finale of a 5-1 road trip.

Big third period boosts Blackhawks

CHICAGO (AP) — Kris Versteeg scored 59 seconds into the third period, Patrick Kane added two more goals, and the Chicago

Blackhawks beat the St. Louis Blues 4-1 on Wednesday night for their fourth consecutive victory.

Marcus Kruger also scored for Chicago, and Antti Raanta had 40 saves in his first start since Corey Crawford was sidelined by a left foot injury. Versteeg also had the primary assist on each of Kane's goals as the Blackhawks' second line enjoyed another big performance.

Back at home after a 5-1 road trip, Chicago killed off each of St. Louis' five power plays.

Ian Cole scored in the second for the Blues, who had won four of five.

Ravens say they didn't write script for Rice

OWINGS MILLS, Md. (AP) — The Baltimore Ravens say they didn't write a script for Ray Rice and Janay Rice during their joint news conference on May 23.

In an interview this week on the "Today" show, Janay Rice said the team suggested to her that she apologize for her involvement in the February incident in which Ray punched her in an elevator.

Janay Rice also said the Ravens gave the couple "a general script" for the news conference.

Kevin Byrne, Senior Vice President of Public and Community Relations for the Ravens, said in a statement Wednesday that the team provided talking points to Ray Rice, but not Janay.

He said, "At no time prior to the May 23 session did we provide talking points, a script or suggested script to Janay or speak with her about the press event."

Byrne also said, "We did not recommend or suggest to Ray or Janay that she apologize in any way."

After Ray Rice told the Ravens he wanted Janay to speak to the media at the news conference, Byrne said he asked the running back "on two different days if Ray wanted me to speak with Janay in advance of the press session."