

# Press&Dakotan DAILY DOSE

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As I mentioned in this spot six days ago, I cast my ballot for the prestigious Jeremyan Trophy on Monday, the first time I have ever had that opportunity. After much discussion with assistant Jeremy Hoeck, I voted this way: 1, Robert Griffin III; 2, Montee Ball; 3, Trent Richardson. The final outcome was Griffin, Andrew Luck, Richardson.

Griffin was the one choice Jeremy and I did not debate about. The main reason we agreed on the Baylor quarterback was his impact on the team.

When I am weighing options for an award like this, I look at the impact that a player has on his or her team.

## RG3 Was My Vote For The Heisman. Here's Why

In looking at Baylor, you could not look at the Bears and feel that they win nine games without Griffin. One of those games — the one I had a chance to watch — was Oklahoma, where he made the plays down the stretch to give the Bears the win after his defense tried to give the game away.

When looking at the other individuals I considered, I felt each team involved would have had success without that particular star, though not quite as much.

Jeremy and I both had Montee Ball, the Wisconsin running back, on our top-three as well. Because we both agreed on him, we decided his 38 touchdowns were enough to put him second on the ballot.

The debate between us came between Luck and Richardson. Richardson's numbers, including over 150 yards combined against LSU, were enough for us to decide to give him the edge over the Stanford QB.

Agree? Disagree? That's what the comment section and my email are for. Have at it.

## SCOREBOARD

### BASKETBALL

#### SATURDAY'S S.D. BOYS

Brandon Valley 49, Huron 48  
Centerville 67, Newcastle, Neb. 36  
Custer 54, Hot Springs 30  
Dakota Valley 67, Tea Area 62  
Ethan 36, Hanson 21  
Harrisburg 47, McIntosh 24  
Fath 77, Kadoka Area 33  
Harding County 82, Tinney Topa 35  
Harrisonburg 68, Winsor 46  
Hawarden West Sioux, Iowa 46, Alee-Her-ter-Hudson 36  
Hemlock/Selby Area 43, Strasburg-Zeeland, N.D. 40  
Leola/Frederick 34, Groton Area 32  
Lynan 43, Gettysburg 23  
Mary Indian 84, Santee, Neb. 51  
McCook Central/Montrose 64, Parker 34  
McLaughlin 78, St. Francis Indian 50  
Milbank 87, Redfield/Doland 33  
Miller 63, Cheyenne-Eagle Butte 58  
Mortridge-Polkow 60, Britton-Hecia 55  
M. Vernon 71, Kimball/White Lake 54  
Phillip 54, Rapid City Christian 43  
Platte-Geddes 64, Dakota Christian 39  
Red Cloud 58, Spearfish 53  
Sioux Falls O'Gorman 53, Rapid City Central 38  
Sioux Falls Roosevelt 66, Rapid City Stevens 57  
Sioux Falls Washington 82, Sturgis 21  
Timber Lake 56, Scotland 23  
Sully Buttes 48, Northwestern Area 37  
Sunshine Bible Academy 65, Sanborn Central/Woonsocket 37  
Takini 60, Wakpala 40  
Timmer Lake 64, Newell 40  
Tripp-Delmont/Armour 47, Menno 13  
Wagner 59, Avon 40  
Wald 60, Edgemont 30  
Webster 65, Wader 56

#### SATURDAY'S S.D. GIRLS

Brandon Valley 67, Huron 48  
Crown Creek 68, Little Wood 48  
Edgemont 49, Wall 39  
Eureka/Bowdell 51, McIntosh 49  
Fath 77, Kadoka Area 36  
Freeman 54, Irene/Wak. 32  
Gettysburg 53, Lynan 23  
Groton Area 34, Leola/Frederick 22  
Harrisonburg 81, Winner 48  
Hemlock/Selby Area 81, Strasburg-Zeeland, N.D. 28  
Highmore-Harrold 54, Stanley County 49  
Hot Springs 51, Custer 38  
Manno 41, Tripp-Delmont/Armour 36  
Milbank 45, Redfield/Doland 42, OT

Miller 52, Cheyenne-Eagle Butte 50  
Mitchell Christian 55, Wessington Springs 31  
Mortridge-Polkow 61, Britton-Hecia 44  
Newell 48, Timber Lake 42  
Parker 70, McCook Central/Montrose 51  
Platte-Geddes 60, Dakota Christian 45  
Rapid City Central 46, Sioux Falls O'Gorman 41  
Rapid City Christian 38, Philip 36  
Sanborn Central/Woonsocket 44, Sunshine Bible Academy 39  
Sioux Falls Roosevelt 76, Rapid City Stevens 54  
Sioux Falls Washington 64, Sturgis 35  
Spearfish 66, Red Cloud 50  
Sully Buttes 35, Northwestern Area 29  
Summit 45, Aberdeen Roncalli 33  
Takini 71, Wakpala 26  
Upson, Wyo. 60, Oelrichs 20  
Wagner 53, Lennox 31  
Wagner 51, Webster 23

#### SATURDAY'S NEB. BOYS

Adams Central 75, Wood River 40  
Alliance 71, Bayard 41  
Anselmo-Merna 53, SMC 23  
Arlington 53, Archbishop Bergan 48  
Aquinas 53, Omaha Brownell-Talbot 23  
Ashland-Greenwood 68, Louisville 54  
Bellevue West 49, Grand Island 38  
Brady 46, Cody/Kigora 26  
Bridgport 50, Sutherland 44  
Bringing-Davenport/Shickley 65, Lawrence-Nelson 31  
Bunwell 68, West Holt 37  
Caliche, Colo. 64, Creek Valley 45  
Centennial 50, Tri County 30  
Centerville, S.D. 67, Newcastle 36  
Chadron 66, Gering 49  
Chase County 58, Ogallala 44  
David City 76, Filmore Central 53  
Deshler 37, John 36  
Elgin Public/Pope John 47, Cedar Valley 39  
Elm Creek 65, Litchfield 47  
Elmwood-Murdoch 37, Auburn 29  
Freeman 57, Johnson-Brock 38  
Gothenburg 66, Perkins County 34  
Grand Island Northwest 57, Seward 42  
Guardian Angels 28, Tekamah-Herman

against Lennox 63-31.  
Wagners Devon Brecke recorded 28 points and five assists. LaShawn Medicine Horn posted 15 points, seven rebounds and six steals. Jessa Doumad added eight rebounds.

Lennox's Kayla Plimpton scored 15 points.

Wagner hosts Tripp-Delmont-Armour Monday. Lennox travels to Hartford to face West Central Monday.

LENNOX.....10 22 32 53  
WAGNER.....10 22 45 61

**Platte-Geddes 60, Dakota Christian 45**  
PLATTE — Kelli Spirk recorded 21 points Saturday to help Platte-Geddes to a 60-45 win over Dakota Christian. PG's Shelby Rabenberg posted 17 points followed by Kelly Knudson who scored 11 points. Kellee Griese added five assists.

DC's Laurel Zomer scored 16 points and 10 rebounds. Brandon VanderPol recorded 11 points. Amber Bean Hoffman posted 11 rebounds. Amy Overmyer stole the ball five times.

PG hosts Kimball-White Lake Tuesday. DC travels to Gregory Tuesday.

PLATTE-GEDDES.....7 24 49 60  
DAKOTA CHRISTIAN.....8 17 29 45

**Laurel-Concord-Coleridge 64, Randolph 49**  
RANDOLPH, Neb. — Laurel-Concord-Coleridge had four players with at least 10 points in Saturday's 64-49 win over Randolph.

LCC's Katie Gubbeis scored 12 points followed by Mandy Nelson (11), Kielea Thompson and Jade Cunningham each had 10.

Randolph's Michaela Stratham posted 14 points. Emily Schnoor added 11 rebounds.

LCC hosts Ponca Tuesday. Randolph hosts Elkhorn Valley Friday.

LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE.....32 32 43 64  
RANDOLPH.....14 14 30 49

54, 20T  
Hanover, Kan. 56, Sterling 46  
Hastings St. Cecilia 44, Blair Hill 33  
Heartland Lutheran 61, Nebraska Christ-ian 36  
Hershey 43, North Platte St. Patrick's 38  
Howells 52, Oakland-Craig 46  
Humphrey 67, Shelby/Rising City 44  
Humphrey 57, Francis 56, Clarkson 35  
Kearney St. Francis 56, Clarkson 35  
Kearney St. Francis 56, Clarkson 35  
Kearney Catholic 70, Cambridge 40  
Kenesaw 42, Loup City 37  
Kimball 59, Morrill 37  
Lincoln North Star 62, Bellevue East 35  
Lincoln Plus X 61, Council Bluffs Jefferson 28  
Loomis 66, Bertrand 40  
Malcolm 61, Palmyra 56  
Marty Indian, S.D. 84, Santee 51  
Maxwell 47, Eustis-Farnam 33  
Mead 39, Cedar Bluffs 19  
Milford 64, Lincoln Lutheran 51  
Millard North 64, Omaha Burke 40  
Millard South 67, Lincoln Southwest 60  
Pardolls 72, Omaha North 49  
Minden 52, Aurora 47  
Mitchell 63, Hemingford 50  
Mullen 57, East Butler 57  
York 60, Leigh 40  
Wynd 64, Lexington 26  
Yutan 77, East Butler 57

**Blue Valley Tournament**  
7TH: Rayfield 52, Olathe North, Kan. 43  
**Cattle Trail Tournament**  
7TH: Southwest 44, Maywood 32  
5TH: Oberlin-Decatur, Kan. 44, Hitchcock County 37  
3RD: Hayes Center 63, Medicine Valley 61  
1ST: Arapahoe 47, Dundey County-Straton 39

**Giilette Tournament**  
Scottsbluff 73, Campbell County, Wyo. 63  
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5TH: Evergreen Lutheran, Wash. 69, Nebraska Lutheran 50

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Ainsworth 57, Gordon/Rushville 49  
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**S.D. STATE 92, N. DAKOTA 54: BROOKINGS (AP)**  
—Nate Wolters scored 16 points to lead six South Dakota State players in double figures as part of a 92-54 win over North Dakota on Saturday night.  
The Jackrabbits (8-3) led the whole way, shooting 57 percent from the field, including making 9 of 15 from 3-point range. Their largest lead was 41 points in the final minute of the game.  
Tony Fiegen added 13 points while Taevaunn Prince scored 12 and Jordan Dykstra (for the Jackrabbits, Brayden Carlson and Chad White each added 11).  
Troy Huff led the Fighting Sioux (4-6) with 13 points. North Dakota shot just 36 percent from the field.  
The Jackrabbits dominated on the boards, outrebounding North Dakota 45-21. Dykstra led South Dakota State on rebounds with nine.

**BASKETBALL, BOYS' Dakota Valley** at Akron-Westfield; Freeman at Bon Homme; Irene-Wakonda at Centercity; Marty at Chamberlain; Newcastle at Santee; Platte-Geddes at Andes Central; Viborg-Hurley at Scotland  
**BASKETBALL, GIRLS' Andes Central** at Plankinton; Parker, Dakota Valley at Akron-Westfield; Hanson at Parkston; Hartington Cedar Catholic at Norfolk Catholic; Newcastle at Santee; Tripp-Delmont-Armour at Wagner  
**GYMNASTICS, PREP YHS** at Wagner (6:30 p.m.)  
**Tuesday, December 13**  
**BASKETBALL, BOYS' S.F. Washington** at YHS (7:30 p.m.,

KYNT-AM, KVHT-FM); Avon vs. Corsica-Stickney at Corsica; Beresford at Dell Rapids; Centerville at Dell Rapids; St. Mary, Colome at Marty; Creighton at Osmond; Crofton at Hartington Cedar Catholic; Ewing at Niobrara-Verdige; Gayville-Volant at Wausa; Hartington at Allen; Lennox at Vermillion; Odham-Ramona-Rutland at Freeman Academy; Parkerville at Baltic; Ponca at Laurel-Concord-Coleridge; Tripp-Delmont-Armour at Parkston; Winnebago at Newcastle; Wynot at Bloomfield  
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p.m.)  
**BASKETBALL, GIRLS' YHS** at S.F. Washington (7:30 p.m.); Avon vs. Corsica-Stickney at Corsica; Bridgewater-Emerly vs. Viborg-Hurley at Hurley; Centerville at Dell Rapids; St. Mary, Colome at Marty; Creighton at Osmond; Ewing at Niobrara-Verdige; Gayville-Volant at Wausa; Hartington at Allen; Kimball-White Lake at Platte-Geddes; Odham-Ramona-Rutland at Freeman Academy; Ponca at Laurel-Concord-Coleridge; Scotland at Menno; Winnebago at Newcastle; Wynot at Bloomfield  
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**BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S MMC** at Dakota Wesleyan (6 p.m., KVHT-FM)  
**Wednesday, December 14**  
**BASKETBALL, MEN'S MMC** at Dakota Wesleyan (8 p.m., KVHT-FM)  
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Sutton 38, Lincoln Christian 30  
Thayer Central 54, Fairbury 51, OT  
Twin Loup 56, Summer-Eddyville-Miller 42  
Valentine 57, Cozad 35  
Wahoon 59, Logan View 36  
Wauwata-Palisade 73, Wallace 70, OT  
Wayne 64, Columbus Lakeview 20  
West Boyd 69, Elba/North Loup Scotia 28  
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## College

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Saint-Gelais 2-3 1-6 1-6, Grube 4-7 0-1-8, Westbrook 4-7 1-3 10, L. Krogman 6-13 3-5 19, Hillard IV 0-2 0-0 0, Boots 3-5 0-4 8, Tecker 2-5 1-2 3-5, Bos 0-0 0-0 0, Andreotti 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 21-27-12.  
**MOREHEAD ST. (4-7)**  
Kelly 1-3 4-5 6, Owens 2-3 3-7 7, Holden 3-11 0-0 8, Hill 5-13 2-2 13, Proffitt 2-9 2-2 7, Austin 0-0 0-0 0, Adkinson 0-0 0-0 0, Ferguson 0-1 0-0 0, Warner 0-1 1-2 1, Chavis 7-11 0-4 14, Totals 20-52 12-38 56.  
Halftime—S. Dakota 37-24, 3-Point Goals—S. Dakota 8-17 (L. Krogman 4-8, Boots 2-4, Saint-Gelais 1-1, Westbrook 1-2, Tecker 0-1, Hillard IV 0-1), Morehead St. 4-19 (Holden 2-9, Proffitt 1-4, Hill

## Invite

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biggest margin of victory coming against West Central 57-21. The closest match of the day for the Bucks was against Brandon Valley — 43-30 being the final. Yankton coach Ryan Hage spoke briefly after the tournament.

“We have work to do, but we are wrestling hard,” said Hage. Yankton’s well-rounded program stems from experience, but the Bucks also have young talent on the roster. Underclassmen such

as Spencer Huber (eighth), Michael Montoya (freshmen), Mason Strahl (freshmen), and Levi Davis (freshmen) are all being looked at to contribute to the Bucks’ program this season. Huber (106) walked away from Saturday’s Tournament going undefeated with a 5-0 record.

Also for Yankton, Skillingstad, Hisek and Warren went 4-1. Matt Huber and Thomas Kruse each earned three victories. Strahl, Davis, Smith and Adam Sealey each earned two wins on the day.

Yankton takes its 6-4 record into a home Eastern South Dakota Conference dual with Aberdeen Central, Friday at the Summit Center.

better in the second half,” Forsch said.

The Lancers had a 9-point lead sliced to 38-37 with 12:39 to play, and the Warriors were within 48-43 with 9:02 left — the closest they would come down the stretch.

That’s what MMC went on its offensive run.

By the time they were done scoring in that stretch, the Lancers were well on their way to the win — thanks to that defense.

“We’ve been talking about holding teams to 50 (points),” Schlimgen said. “That’s been a huge focus for us. We’re still seeing some mistakes, but this was much better.”

Mount Marty returns to the road Wednesday for a 6 p.m. GPAC matchup in Mitchell against Dakota Wesleyan.

“It’s no secret; it’s hard to win on the road in this league,” Schlimgen said. “This is a key point in our

season. If we want to be where we think we can, it’s time to get it done.”

The Lancers haven’t won a true road game this season, though they did beat William Penn on a neutral court. That’ll be the pick-up for MMC at Dakota Wesleyan, going up another much-needed win.

“It’s never fun going into a long break on a losing streak,” Forsch said. “We’re just thinking about winning a couple of times in the next few games.”

**MIDLAND (5-7, 85 GPAC)**  
Jam Thramer 3-8 4-4 10, Karen Liekhus 0-3 0-1 0, Jamilah Johnson 2-11 0-11 4, Darian Moon 1-3 0-0 2, Danielle Stephan 2-5 0-4 3, Shaylin Miller 1-3 0-0 2, Kristen Cameron 2-0 0-0 0, Sammy Huser 1-6 4-6 16, Shelby Rupprecht 4-7 0-0 8, Erin DeBoit 0-0 0-0 0, TOTALS 20-62 8-11 50.

**MOUNT MARTY (7-6, 2-3 GPAC)**  
Alexa Berg 2-9 4-4 9, April Wince 0-6 0-2 0, Taylor Forsch 8-13 4-5 26, Allison De Kam 1-6 2-4 4, Kylie Gross 6-14 2-2 14, Johanna Scheich 0-0 0-0 0, Alyssa Whetham 0-0 0-0 0, Hannah Youngberg 1-2 0-0 3, Kaylae Karst 0-2 0-0 0, Brittany Little 1-1 0-1 3, Holly Hegge 1-2 1-2 3, TOTALS 20-55 13-20 62.  
Halftime: MMC 26, MID 22. Three-Pointers: MMC 9-22 (Forsch 6-9, Little 1-1, Youngberg 1-2, Berg 1-5, Karst 0-2, Wince 0-3), MID 2-8 (Hispaz 2-4, Liekhus 0-1, Miller 0-2, Rupprecht 0-2). Total Rebounds: MMC 42 (De Kam 14), MID 40 (Hispaz 7). Assists: MMC 10 (Berg 4), MID 6 (Miller 3). Personal Fouls: MID 19, MMC 11. Fouled Out: None. Turnovers: MMC 17, MID 17. Attendance: 350.

## MMC Men

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throw and a Chevy Fischer runner in the lane to tie the game at 40 with 8:52 left.

So began the dominating finish. “All year we’re relied on the defense,” Odekirk said. “It seems like every game there’s a long time where we don’t score, but we’re scrappy enough to stay in it.”

After jumping out to a 16-6 lead to start the game, Mount Marty didn’t score again until the 3:26 mark — a span of nine minutes.

Even despite that drought, the Lancers still went into halftime tied at 26.

Joe Hieb drained a three to MMC up 16-6 at the 12:13 mark. Midland then went on its 16-0 run — with 10 straight points by Donald Jones — to lead 22-16 with 4:28 to play.

Hieb hit a pair of threes in the final 1:41 of the half, the last with 15 seconds to go to tie the game.

“When Joe hit that three for us, that was huge,” Thorson said. “We were able to start even in the second half, and not have to scramble.”

After that dunk by Midland’s Langford, the Lancers held the Warriors to seven points in the final 9:27, and in that span, put together a 21-7 run to close the game.

The exclamation point was a ferocious dunk by Odekirk in the lane with 1:09 remaining — sealing a crucial GPAC victory.

“That dunk was great, but those

free throws he hit (putting MMC up 50-42 with 3:29 left) were even better,” Thorson said. “He really picked it up when it mattered, and on both ends too.”

Discounting a Midland three-pointer with four seconds left, MMC’s final stretch is even more impressive.

Hieb also scored 13 points for Mount Marty, which out-rebounded Midland 43-28. The leading scorer for the Lancers, Mitch Ackelson, was held to three points on 1-of-5 shooting but he added 10 rebounds and seven assists.

Mount Marty, winners of three straight, will look to continue its momentum Wednesday night in Mitchell against Dakota Wesleyan.

“Everyone has confidence now; it’s growing each time,” Thorson said. “Every team throws something different at you, but we’ve been able to respond.”

Perhaps a victory Wednesday over the Tigers will attract more recognition for the Lancers, Odekirk said.

“We’ve been confident all year,” he said. “I think we’re a lot better than people think. We lost to Dordt and Northwestern, but we kept it close.

“If we can do that the rest of the season, we’ll be pretty good.”

**MIDLAND (7-6, 3-2 GPAC)**  
Ben Imig 2-10 1-2 5, Donald Jones 5-10 0-1 10, Alex Knobbe 3-4 7 10, Marcus Messersmith 0-5 0-0 0, Zach Rosenboom 4-8 1-1 9, Luke Bost 1-2 1-2 3, Galen Guille 0-4 0-0 0, Jerome Vaughn 0-0 0-0 0, Avery Langford 2-6 0-0 5, Jalen Huser 2-5 0-0 5, Gavin Blum 0-0 0-0 0, TOTALS 19-56 7-13 37.

**MOUNT MARTY (6-3, 3-2 GPAC)**  
Mitch Ackelson 1-5 1-5 3, Will Edlie 2-3 0-0 4, Tom Kahler 1-1 0-0 3, Scott Odekirk 4-5 0-10 13, Spencer Yackley 4-7 1-5 9, Tyler Payer 0-0 0-0 0, Joe Hieb 5-8 0-0 13, Chevy Fischer 2-4 1-2 5, Jeff Viereck 3-10 2-2 8, TOTALS 22-43 10-21 58.

Halftime: Tied at 26. Three-Pointers: MMC 4-8 (Hieb 3-5, Kahler 1-1, Ackelson 0-2), MID 2-6 (Langford 1-2, Huser 1-3, Jones 0-2, Imig 0-3, Messersmith 0-3, Guille 0-3). Total Rebounds: MMC 43 (Ackelson 10), MID 28 (three with 5). Assists: MMC 16 (Ackelson 7), MID 2 (Imig, Jones). Personal Fouls: MID 22, MMC 15. Fouled Out: None. Turnovers: MMC 21, MID 12. Attendance: 450.

## Hoops

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**Canisota.....10 22 32 53  
CIBOLA-HURLEY.....16 32 38 56**

**Parker 70, McCook Cen.-Mont. 51**  
PARKER — Three Parker Pheasant’s recorded over 15 points in Saturdays win against McCook Central-Montrose, 70-51.

Parker’s Micaleanna Handre led the scoring with 20 points followed by Tessa Weeldreyer who had 19 points and 11 rebounds. Anna Leloux added 16 points and 11 rebounds.

MCM’s Kelly Binder scored 14 points. Sierra Miles recorded 12 points and nine rebounds.

Parker hosts Baltic Monday. MCM hosts Sioux Valley in Salem Monday.

MCCOOK CENTRAL-MONTROSE.....10 27 43 51  
PARKER.....18 34 47 70

**Freeman 54, Irene-Wak. 32**  
IRENE — Freeman had three players with over 10 points in Saturday’s 54-32 win over Irene-Wakonda.

Freeman’s Dana Soulek recorded 14 points. Carley Vecker posted 13 points and six steals. Paige Herbold added 13 points and 10 rebounds. Kaitlin Stern added nine points.

IW’s Haley Hinseth scored 17 points and added 12 rebounds.

Freeman hosts Canisota Friday. IW travels to Viborg Friday.

**Wagner 63, Lennox 31**  
WAGNER — Devon Brecke and LaShawn Medicine Horn had a combined total of 43 points in Saturdays win

## Lancers

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cluding two 3’s from Forsch — over the next five minutes to take a commanding 61-43 lead.

From there, the Lancers (7-6, 2-3) held on.

“I thought in the second half, we had that really nice stretch,” MMC head coach Tom Schlimgen said. “That’s what got us going after they picked it up.”

Statistically, it was one of the best defensive performances of the season for the Lancers.

They limited Midland to 28 percent shooting (9-of-32) in the second half and got a combined 27 rebounds from post players Allison De Kam (14) and Kylie Gross (13).

“We didn’t double-team anybody, so it was pretty much straight-up stuff,” Schlimgen said. “Those did an amazing job not letting them (Midland) get second looks.

After taking an early 7-2 lead in the first half, the Lancers didn’t score again for the next six minutes — a drought marked by missed open shots and turnovers.

“Our first seven shots weren’t very good at all, but at least we were digging in on defense. Otherwise we could’ve been down 10 right away,” Schlimgen said.

Brittany Little drained a three at the 8:25 mark, kick-starting a 10-0 run for MMC to pull ahead 17-10.

The squads traded baskets from there, and the Lancers took a 26-22 lead into halftime. Neither team exactly lit up the nets, as both were under 34 percent from the field.