

# Lumberjack Coaches Talk

Starting the ACC basketball program back up again is a tremendous challenge for all of us. The players on this team and myself have taken on this challenge. We are committed to making the mens basketball program a success. We realize, however, that this will not happen overnight. Our main goal for this season is to be a team that the school and the community can be proud of regardless of our win-loss record.

Because of our youth and inexperience we really have no way of knowing exactly what lies ahead of us. We want to show continued improvement as the season goes on. We will work to become the best, as a team, that we are capable of becoming. Hopefully we will use our eight non-conference games to prepare us to be competitive once the conference games begin.

Personnel consists of all rookies this year. Every player on this team will improve a tremendous amount before he leaves this program but, this takes time. We do have some players who have the potential to become very good players. We will need good perimeter play from Alton Hardy, Keith Arbuckle, Andrew Lewis and Todd Marlatt. We will need

Dwayne Houston, Steve Ramos and Troy Somers to be our floor generals.

Our lack of size could really hurt us but we will try to make up for it with desire and team play. The key to our success will depend on our ability to play defense.

Our philosophy is "tempo". By that we mean that we want to control the tempo of the game. We will fastbreak, slow down, apply pressure, run patterns, or in general, do whatever we have to do to be in control of the game.

Our schedule will be very tough. We will start our non-conference season by hosting Madonna, Lansing and Mott in our tip-off tournament. Madonna is a four year school from Detroit, while Lansing and Mott are considered to be the two top junior college teams in the state this year. Our other non-conference games will be against Jordan, Michigan Christian and Gogebic. On January 5 we start the always tough MCCA Eastern Division Conference games which include Highland Park, Delta, Mott, Henry Ford, Schoolcraft, Oakland and Macomb.

Back after a two year absence, the 1984-85 version of the Lady Lumberjacks will have great difficulty duplicating the success of the past few teams. "Green" will be the key word of this year's squad with twelve new players including two sophomore transfers and ten freshmen. In addition, the coaching staff will also be different with Sheila Parkinson and Cindy DeRocher joining Coach McCourt in place of departed assistant coach Bob Holup.

Successful starts are often a key to a successful season and this year's squad will have great difficulty with a "murderous" pre-conference schedule. Opening at home in the annual "Thunder Bay Classic" opposition will be provided by Region XII defending champion Lakeland C.C. of Mentor, OH; Region XII runner-up Lansing C.C. and traditional Eastern Conference power Oakland C.C.

The Lady Jacks then hit the road for three games in three days with Western Conference power Kalamazoo Valley C.C. and then a two day tournament in Lansing with Shawnee State (Ohio), Lansing and Schoolcraft. After playing Kalamazoo Valley C.C. at home the Lumberjack women hit the road again for a three day tournament in Cleveland, OH; featuring games with Hilbert of New York; Sonclair of OH and defending Region XII Champion Lakeland.

Commenting on this year's squad, Coach McCourt says the following: "Although we have pretty good size, we lack the experience, speed and court savvy of my previous squads. At this time we are looking for one of our guards to show some floor leadership in the tradition of DeRocher and Parkinson. We will have severe problems first semester because of injuries and our lack of experience."

However, if everybody gets healthy and everybody is eligible the second semester, it could be a different story. The coaching staff is hoping everybody having some experience playing against very good non-conference foes that this year's team should finish in the top half of the conference.

In conclusion, Coach McCourt states "Our team goal this year is easy. We are just going to try to survive our non-conference schedule and try to be over .500 for the total season. If we can do that we should be very competitive in the state tournament." All in all, this year should be a very interesting one for the Lady Lumberjacks.

## Intramural Sports

By Mitch Repke

Last Tuesday nights Intramural Basketball action saw the 1-1 Jammers increase their record to 2-1 by clobbering the 0-2 Cavaliers. At the end of the game the scoreboard read 69 to 42, dropping the Cavaliers record to a dismal 0-3.

In the second game the red-hot Blanks upped their unblemished record to 3-0 by downing the hard-nosed 69ers, 59 to 53. The score was neck and neck right down to the last few seconds of the game. Unfortunately, in the end the scrappy 69ers could not catch up. Their record now stands at 1-2 into the young season.

## Law Enforcement cont.

tests. Afterwards the students retired to the Holiday Inn for the evening.

The next day the law enforcement students proceeded to Oakland County Sheriff's Department where they observed a larger jail and more complex operation than our county jail; Oakland has its own crime laboratory and public relations department. Later the students eagerly found themselves in the Oakland County Morgue observing x-rays and slides used to determine the penetration of inflicted wounds, and bodies in the cooler awaiting autopsy. In the final tour at the Flint Police Department students divided into four groups and went on foot patrol with Flint police. This new program allows police to get closer to the public by assigning a policeman to a neighborhood where each policeman is responsible for his own station. This program has proved to be very effective, states Bordewyk.

The law enforcement students provided their own funds and transportation for the field trip, and all felt it was a significant educational experience.

Alpena Community College  
MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE  
1984 - 85

Date	College	Place	Time
Fri., Nov. 16, 1984	Mott vs. Lansing Madonna vs. Alpena	East Campus	6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 17, 1984	Consolation Game Thunder Bay Classic Championship Thunder Bay Classic	East Campus	6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 24, 1984	Jordan	Flint	3:00 p.m.
Thur., Dec. 6, 1984	Madonna	Detroit	6:00 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 8, 1984	Michigan Christian	East Campus	3:00 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 15, 1984	Michigan Christian	Pontiac	3:00 p.m.
Thur., Dec. 20, 1984	Gogebic	East Campus	7:30 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 22, 1984	Jordan	East Campus	3:00 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 5, 1985	Highland Park	Higland Park	8:00 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 9, 1985	Delta	East Campus	8:00 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 12, 1985	Mott	Flint	7:30 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 16, 1985	Henry Ford	Dearborn	8:00 p.m.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE  
1984 - 85

Date	College	Place	Time
Fri., Nov. 23, 1984	Oakland vs. Alpena at ACC Lansing vs. Lakeland at ACC	East Campus	7:30 p.m. 9:30 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 24, 1984	Consolation at ACC Championship at ACC	East Campus	6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
Thur., Nov. 29, 1984	Kalamazoo Valley	Kalamazoo	8:00 p.m.
Fri., Nov. 30, 1984	Shawnee vs. Alpena Lansing vs. Schoolcraft	Lansing Lansing	2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 1, 1984	Consolation Championship	Lansing	2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 8, 1984	Kalamazoo Valley	East Campus	7:00 p.m.
Thur., Dec. 13, 1984	Hilbert C C, NY	Lady Laker	9:00 p.m.
Fri., Dec. 14, 1984	Sinclair C C	Invitational	4:00 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 15, 1984	Lakeland	Mentor, Ohio	12:00 NOON
Sat., Jan. 5, 1985	Highland Park	East Campus	8:00 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 9, 1985	Delta	Univ. Center	6:00 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 12, 1985	Mott	East Campus	3:00 p.m.
Wed., Jan 16, 1985	Henry Ford	Dearborn	5:30 p.m.