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Williams Dominates Paint, Leads Lady Wildcats to 75-59 Victory over Morrisville State

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SUNYIT junior Tamara Williams (Rome, NY/Rome Free Academy) finished with game highs of 24 points and 18 rebounds to lead the SUNYIT women's basketball team to a 75-59 victory over the visiting Morrisville State Mustangs in their final home game of the regular season at the Campus Center Gymnasium Wednesday. The Lady Wildcats have won six straight contests and are 15-8 overall, while Morrisville fell to 3-21 on the year.

Morrisville had no answer inside for the 6-foot-1 Williams, who got all 11 of her buckets within the paint area and grabbed 13 defensive and five offensive boards to record her ? double-double of the season. She even contributed when being double teamed in the post, finding her teammates for easy baskets and finishing with six assists on the night.

Despite Williams' big game, Morrisville had control of the contest early, as the Mustangs never trailed through most of the first half and built an eight-point lead, 25-17, with 9:32 left before the break. SUNYIT

would rally from there, using a 19-6 run to close out the half and go into intermission up five, 36-31.

The Wildcats kept the momentum going in the second half, as they never relinquished their lead and would go by as much as 16 en route to the victory.

Freshman Kayla McNeil (Stillwater, NY/Stillwater) scored 13 points, grabbed seven boards and blocked two shots for SUNYIT, while junior Taylor Topping (Bronx, NY/Preston) registered 10 points, eight rebounds and three steals. Sophomore Caitlin Cottell (Eaton Town, NJ/Red Bank Catholic) had 10 points, four rebounds and three assists, while fellow classmate Kwanisha Jones (Philadelphia, NY/Indian River) dished out a game-high seven assists and added three steals. Senior Michelle Taylor (Rome, NY/Cayuga CC), who was honored before the game for Senior Night, contributed to the last two baskets of the game for SUNYIT, hitting a layup and then assisting Williams on the final play of the contest.

Katrina Brown scored 17 points to lead Morrisville, while Tekesha Hanson finished with 13 points, 11 rebounds and game-high four steals and Irena Longworth scored 13 points.

Seniors Shine on Their Night, Lead Wildcats to Program-Record Eleventh Straight Victory with 78-58 Win over Morrisville

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On a night used to honor seniors Diloo Brown (Harlem, NY/Technical Careers Institute), Floyd Fitzpatrick Thorne (Brooklyn, NY/Paul Smith's College) and Aaron Swancott (Boonville, NY/Adirondack), the trio did not disappoint, combining for 37 points and leading the SUNYIT men's basketball team to its program-record eleventh straight victory with a 78-58 win over the visiting Morrisville State Mustangs in the team's final home game of the regular season Wednesday night. The Wildcats finished 12-1 at home and are currently 19-4 overall, while



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Morrisville fell to 6-16 on the year.

After the upperclassmen were honored before the game for Senior Night, the trio came out and made the first three plays of the contest, as Brown hit a three-pointer off an assist by Fitzpatrick Thorne and would be followed by Swancott assisting on a three by junior Kevin Capiello (Youngsville, NY/Sullivan West) on the team's next possession.

The trio flourished the rest of the game as well, as Brown led all scorers with 18 points while adding four assists and three steals, Fitzpatrick Thorne had 12 points, five assists and three steals and Swancott registered seven points, four assists and two steals.

The Wildcats, who never trailed in the contest, built a 10-point lead, 18-8, in the first six minutes of action and would eventually take a 15-point lead into the break, 42-27. They would cruise in the second half, extending their lead by as much as 25 before ultimately picking up the 20-point victory.

Junior David Golembowski (Barneveld, NY/Holland Patent) had 15 points and six boards, while Capiello finished with 14 points and game-highs of six assists and five steals.

Bryan Eddy scored 17 points for Morrisville, while Ron Tarver chipped in 14 points.

Hanson nets career high on senior night to lead Morrisville State to 78-42 victory

Senior guard, Tekesha Hanson (Queens, NY), netted a career high 38 points and grabbed 10 rebounds to lead host Morrisville State College women's basketball as the Mustangs dominated Wilson College for the 78-42 victory Friday night in Morrisville.

Hanson, who nailed 7-of-12 from behind the arc on the night, paced the Mustangs with 22 in the first half as they raced out to a commanding 36-13 lead at the break.

Six additional Mustangs contributed to the victory, including Katrina Brown (Queens, NY) who chipped in 18 while adding four steals and assists, and teammate Irena Longworth (Galway, NY) who added nine points and eight boards.

Wilson's Tara Fields (Berryville, VA) tallied 20 points and seven boards, hitting 11-of-15 from the free throw line, to lead the Phoenix in the loss. Megan Dennis (Cooperstown, NY) added 10 points, while teammate Alaina Hofer (Duncannon, PA) netted nine points while grabbing a game high 13 boards.

Morrisville State skates to 4-2 win over Bengals

Morrisville State College freshman forward Matt Salmon (Orillia, ON) scored twice and assisted another to lead the Mustangs to the 4-2 State University of New York Athletic Conference (SUNYAC) victory over host Buffalo State College Friday night in Buffalo.

Morrisville State took advantage of the 5-on-3 opportunity midway through the first half, netting two power play goals within 26 seconds, the first from Tom Longland





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(Dunnville, ON) at 15:13 with assists to Rob Sgarbossa (Campbellville, ON) and Salmon. Salmon then converted the Mustangs second power play score off a blue line pass from Longland at 15:39 for the 2-0 lead.

D'Arcy Thomas cut the lead to one for the Bengals nearly eight minutes into the second period, but another Buffalo State penalty proved costly as Dana Calderone (Bronx, NY) put away Morrisville State's third power play score at 9:29 to regain the two goal lead for the Mustangs.

In the third, Nick Petriello pulled Buffalo State to within one for the second time of the night with 14 minutes to go in the contest, but Morrisville State's Caylin Relkoff (Grand Forks, BC) made six stops in the period to hold off the Bengals.

Salmon secured the win netting an empty net score with seven seconds left on the clock.

Relkoff tallied 29 saves in the contest, as Morrisville State improves to 8-15-0 overall, 5-9 in SUNYAC action.

Buffalo State's Johnathan Sourwine made 28 stops in 58:41, allowing three goals, as the Bengals drop to 6-18-1 overall, 2-14-0 in conference play.

Morrisville State wrestling concludes season at ECWC Championships

The Morrisville State College wrestling team concluded its 2009-10 season Saturday evening at the Empire Collegiate Wrestling Conference Championships held at RIT in Rochester. Morrisville State finished eighth overall in team standings with 27 points; Cortland claimed the title with 141.5 points.

Sophomore Justin Delamothe (Cross River, NY) was top finisher for the Mustangs, placing fourth at 125 pounds. Other place finishers included freshman Brian Latham (East Greenbush, NY) who finished sixth at 141 and sophomore Nate Cross (Hudson Falls, NY) who was fifth at 157 pounds.

Morrisville State finished with an overall record of 4-12 in dual matches and had several place in various tournaments throughout the season.

Men's basketball nets 77-75 overtime win over Wildcats

Release courtesy of Heather Foster, Student Assistant SID

After a five-minute overtime period, sophomore Kyle Gordon (Riverhead, N.Y.) netted a tie-breaking layup at the buzzer, giving the Mustangs a 77-75 victory over the visiting Cazenovia Wildcats, and an overall record of 7-16.

The Mustangs tipped-off to a rough start, dropping by five to the Wildcats in the first three minutes. At 13:31 in the first, Gordon hit a three-pointer assisted by senior Andrew VanDyke (Bronx, N.Y.), making it 9-9.

The Wildcats answered with a three-point basket from Bryant Winans (Afton, N.Y.) with an assist from Darnell Sampson (Syracuse, N.Y.) to regain the lead.

With a minute left in the first half, Bryan Eddy (Brooklyn, N.Y.) put down two layups, followed by another from VanDyke, giving the Mustangs a three-point lead at halftime.

At the start of the second half, Cazenovia's Cameron Smith (Honeoye Falls, N.Y.) shortened the Morrisville lead by two, with assist from Matt Vescio (Fulton, N.Y.). At 12:56, Gordon tallied another three-pointer for the Mustangs, giving them a seven-point lead over the Wildcats.

Andrew Jensen (Endicott, N.Y.) added two layups for the Wildcats, putting them ahead again by two with 54 seconds remaining. With 42 seconds left on the clock, Eddy grabbed an offensive rebound and took it to the basket for two, pushing the game into overtime.



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After four minutes of overtime-play, the Mustangs trailed by a basket. With 13 seconds left, Eddy stepped to the line for the Mustangs, netting both of his foul shots and tying the game at 75-75. Just as it looked like another overtime was up ahead, Gordon netted a layup from VanDyke, giving the Mustangs a two-point win.

Ron Tarver (Utica, N.Y.) put up big numbers in today's game, scoring 18 for the Mustangs, while Gordon tallied 16 points and 13 rebounds. Brandon Henry (Bronx, N.Y.) had 11 points and 10 rebounds along with Eddy and Larry Bowers (Inwood, N.Y.) both netting 10 points apiece.

Morrisville State western riders remain at top of competition

The Morrisville State College western equestrian team claimed high point team honors in two shows on Saturday, with rider Catherine Howland (Rutlandtown, VT) earning high point rider honors in each show.

Howland, in the morning show, placed first in both the reining and open western horsemanship class, following with a first in reining and second in open horsemanship in the afternoon show to lead the team to the victory.

Six additional riders earned the blue ribbon in the morning show: Bryan Moylan (Mastic, NY) in advanced

horsemanship, Erin Moseley (Cazenovia, NY) and Janae O'Brien (Woodstock, IL) in novice horsemanship, Christine Towne (Rutland, VT) in intermediate II horsemanship, and Breann Schwarting (Earlville, NY) and Jamie Nelson (Bemus Point, NY) in intermediate I horsemanship.

Jill Featherly (Hilton, NY) was reserve high point rider for the morning show, earning second place in both reining and open horsemanship.

In the afternoon show, seven riders claimed the blue in their respective classes. Hillary Huttleson (Greene, NY) took first in open horsemanship with Heather Vaughn (Angellica, NY) and Shawna Kraeger (Port Leyden, NY) taking the top honor in the advanced horsemanship class.

Moseley and Shauna Latincsics (Wayne, NJ) were winners in the novice horsemanship class, while Towne and Tabitha Fargo (Ripley, NY) were top finishers in the intermediate II and I class, respectively.

Featherly repeated as reserve high point rider in the afternoon show.

Cobleskill was reserve high point team in the morning show and Cornell in the afternoon. Currently Morrisville State has tallied 253 points for the year in team standings to Cobleskill's 161, Cornell's 74 and Colgate's 72.

Morrisville State is host of the Regional Championships,

scheduled for Saturday, March 7th at the riding arenas on Swamp Road.

Morrisville State hunt seat fourth at Cornell

The Morrisville State College hunt seat equestrian team tallied 35 team points to tie for fourth place overall in team standings at the Cornell University show held Sunday in Ithaca.

Grace Falconer (Port Washington, NY) and Nicole Hallenback (Fonda, NY) qualified for the regional show in the intermediate over fences and novice equitation on the flat classes, respectively.

Three finished in the top spot for the Mustangs, Emma Monte (East Rochester, NY) in intermediate equitation on the flat; Jill Featherly (Hilton, NY) in the novice equitation over fences class and Kathryn Curto (Bohemia, NY) in the novice equitation on the flat class.

The hunt seat team returns to the riding arenas Saturday at Skidmore College.



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Hanson named NEAC Women's Basketball Player of the Week

The North Eastern Athletic Conference (NEAC) has recently announced its student-athlete of the week selections, naming Morrisville State College's Tekesha Hanson (Queens, NY) the Women's Basketball Player of the Week for the week ending February 21, 2010.

Hanson, senior guard, led the Mustangs to a 1-2 record over NEAC opponents this week. She finished the week with a total 70 points (23.3 per game), 28 rebounds (9.3 per game), 10 steals, five assists and five blocks. Hanson also went 14-for-29 from beyond the arc, hitting .483 percent of three's attempted.

In the win over Wilson on Friday, Hanson tallied a career high 38 points, hitting a collegiate best seven three-pointers.

Hanson currently leads the team in scoring (16.3 points per game) and rebounding (8.1 per game) and has tallied a team high 40 three's this season.

The 2005 graduate of John Bowne High School is majoring in journalism at Morrisville State. She is the daughter of Novelette Hickling and Jean Claude of Queens, New York.

Morrisville State hockey stuns Fredonia with overtime play-off victory

Junior Nick Kulas (Parma, MI) scored the game winner 4:05 into the sudden victory overtime period to give Morrisville State College men's ice hockey the stunning 3-2 upset win over third seed SUNY Fredonia in the quarterfinal round of the SUNYAC tournament Tuesday night in Fredonia.

Scoreless after the first period, Morrisville State was whistled for a penalty early in the second and Fredonia's Jeff Aonso took advantage, giving the Blue Devils the one goal lead at 1:55. Nearly 10 minutes later, Morrisville State's Jonathan Cristini (Mississauga, ON) evened the contest, netting the score off assists from Joakim Cedin (Spanga, SE) and Dave Shultz (Trucksville, PA).

Jordan Oye put the Devils back on top 2-1, notching Fredonia's second score of the night just 44 seconds later.

In the third, Morrisville State's Rob Sgarbossa (Campbellville, ON) notched his eighth score of the season, netting the lone score of the period as Bobby Cass (Burlington, ON) and Derek Matheson (Durham, ON) were credited with the assists.

In overtime, Morrisville State took advantage of a failed clearing attempt by the Blue Devil defense, and Sgarbossa

found Kulas for the game winning score, giving the Mustangs their first post-season win.

Morrisville State goaltender, Caylin Relkoff (Grand Forks, BC) tallied five of his total 39 saves on the night in the overtime period to secure the win for the Mustangs.

Kody Van Rentergem had 40 saves as Fredonia ends their season with a 17-7-2 overall record.

Morrisville State improves to 9-16-0 overall and will face tournament top seed, Oswego, in the semi-final round Saturday, February 27th at 7 p.m. in Oswego.

Abington advances to NEAC Championship quarterfinal round with 77-74 overtime win over Morrisville State men

William Alton (Hopewell Valley, NJ) scored eight of his total 24 points in the overtime period to lift visiting ninth seed Penn State Abington men's basketball to the 77-74 conference victory over eighth seed Morrisville State College Tuesday night in Morrisville.

Morrisville State opened the contest with an 11-0 run over the first six minutes of the game before Alton hit a three to put the Nittany Lions on the board. Abington chipped



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away at the Mustangs lead throughout the remainder of the first half and took their first lead with 3:20 to go for the 27-23 advantage at halftime.

In the second, Morrisville State led by as many as seven, but again, Abington wouldn't go away as they regained the one point advantage with less than six minutes remaining in the contest.

Exchanging leads throughout the final minutes of the game, Morrisville State's Hodges Sneed (Syracuse, NY) hit the second of two free throw attempts with eight seconds to go to send the game into the overtime period.

In overtime, Morrisville State's Andrew VanDyke (Bronx, NY) forced an Abington turnover and hit the back end of two free throws to cut the Lions lead to one with 16 seconds to go, but Alton hit 2-of-4 free throws over the final seconds to secure the play-off win for Abington.

Corey Curtis (Philadelphia, PA) led all scorers with 34 on the night, adding six rebounds, three steals and three assists for Abington as Alton chipped in 24, with six boards and five assists. Francis Hennessey (Philadelphia, PA) added 11 points to the Lions tallies on the night.

Kyle Gordon (Riverhead, NY) led the Morrisville State efforts with a team high 16 points and 11 rebounds while teammate Bryan Eddy (Brooklyn, NY) contributed 15 points and 10 rebounds. Sneed added 14 while grabbing eight boards as Morrisville State concludes the season with

a 7-17 overall record.

Abington shot 45.9 percent from the floor, including 55.6 from beyond the arc and 68.8 percent from the free throw line as Morrisville State struggled in three-point shooting, hitting just 20 percent while finishing just 14-of-25 free throws on the night.

Abington (6-19 overall) advances to the quarterfinal round of the NEAC Championship tournament, facing top seed SUNY IT Friday night at 8 p.m. at tournament host Penn State Harrisburg.

Hanson named ECAC Women's Basketball Player of the Week

Morrisville State College's senior guard, Tekesha Hanson (Queens, NY), has been named the ECAC Division III Upstate Women's Basketball Co-Player of the Week for the week ending February 21, 2010.

Hanson, senior guard, led the Mustangs to a 1-2 record over NEAC opponents this week. She finished the week with a total 70 points (23.3 per game), 28 rebounds (9.3 per game), 10 steals, five assists and five blocks. Hanson also went 14-for-29 from beyond the arc, hitting .483 percent of three's attempted.

In the win over Wilson on Friday, Hanson tallied a career high 38 points, hitting a collegiate best seven three-pointers.

She was recently named the NEAC women's basketball player of the week for her performance.

The 2005 graduate of John Bowne High School is majoring in journalism at Morrisville State. She is the daughter of Novelette Hickling and Jean Claude of Queens, New York.

Women's basketball ends season at NEAC Championships

Release written by Heather Foster, Student Assistant SID

After a 78-42 win over Wilson College on Feb. 19, the Mustangs fall short in the first round of the NEAC Championships, ending their 2009-2010 season with a 77-43 loss to the Cazenovia Wildcats.

The Wildcats netted an 11-point lead over the Mustangs within the first five minutes of play, with baskets from senior Christine Nichols (Syracuse, NY) and freshman Megan McDermott (Greene, NY).



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At 16:22, freshman Irena Longworth (Galway, NY) put the Mustangs on the board with two, assisted by freshman Bette Davis (Bronx, NY). After two good free throws from junior Katrina Brown (Queens, NY), the Mustangs trailed by 20 with less than four minutes left in the half. The Wildcats lead by 19 at halftime with a score of 42-23.

Brown added another two points for the Mustangs nine seconds into the second half, assisted by senior Tekesha Hanson. The Wildcats lengthened their lead to 36 points before the end of the game. With eight seconds left, Morrisville's Jenna March (Munnsville, NY) netted a layup assisted by Nefertere Smith (Bronx, NY), ending the game with a final score of 77-43.

Brown tallied 14 points for the Mustangs along with seven rebounds. Hanson added 11 points and 11 rebounds for Morrisville State, while Davis netted 5 points.

The Mustangs end their season with an overall record of 4-22 recording big wins against Penn-State Harrisburg ending the game with a final score of 55-54 and Penn-State Abington, 65-60.

Time Warner Cable to broadcast SUNYAC men's ice hockey semifinal game

#6 Morrisville State takes on #1 Oswego Saturday

Release courtesy of Adele Burk, Oswego SID

SUNY Oswego and the Oswego State Athletic Department are pleased to announce that Time Warner Cable Sports will be broadcasting the SUNYAC men's ice hockey semifinal game between top-seed Oswego State and sixth-seed Morrisville on Saturday, Feb. 27 beginning at 7 p.m. The Lakers come into the contest at 23-2-0 overall and are the second-ranked team in Division III, while the Mustangs enter at 9-16-0.

Time Warner's broadcast area of the game will include Central New York, Buffalo, near the New York City area, and possibly Albany. The Rochester viewing area will be able to watch the game on a time delay. Check your local listings to find the Time Warner Cable Sports channel in your area.

Other viewing options include a live webcast, which can be found at www.oswego.edu/athletics/live, campus channel WTOP-10, and local access channel 96 with commentary provided by WTOP personnel. A live radio broadcast will

provided by WNYO (88.9 FM) and is available at www.wnyo.org, as well as live stats, which can be accessed at www.sidearmstats.com/oswego/mhockey.

Tickets are still available for the game and may be purchased by calling the Campus Center Box Office at 315-312-3073 from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Ticket prices are \$8 for adults and \$3 for SUNY Oswego students with college ID.

Upcoming Action:

Saturday, February 27

Hunt Seat Equine @ Skidmore College	9 a.m.
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