lose one

The Northern Valley Lady Huskies were defeated by Southern Valley 60-37 on Jan. 22, but beat Palco 60-49 on Jan. 23.

Southern Valley

"Southern Valley came out very aggressive and we did not respond very well," said Coach Bill Lowry. "Our execution on offense was not very good. We need to use this game to help us improve. The bright spot of this game is our 73 percent free throw shooting."

Lindsey Graham led scoring for the Huskies with 6 two-pointers and 4 free throws for 16 points. Also making Northern Valley points were Serena Woodside, 6; Regan Fessenden and Jena Jessup, 4 apiece; Kelli Cole and Alasia Eagleburger, 3 each; and Lindsey Jessup, 1.

Out of the team's 29 rebounds, Graham grabbed 10 and Eagleburger took 6.

Cole and Graham made Northern Valley's only two steals. Making assists were Fessenden,

L. Jessup and Graham with 1 apiece. Graham and Cole both made 1

blocked shot.

The Huskies' junior varsity lost

Leading scoring were Jessie Redeker with 7 points and J. Jessup with 4 points.

Palco

"This was a good way to start the league play — with a win," said Coach Lowry. "There were lots of fouls called and Palco shot the ball very well, but we did things at the end of the game to get the win."

Woodside led scoring with 4 two-pointers and 8 free throws for 16 points. She was followed by Graham, 14 points; L. Jessup, 12; Fessenden, J. Jessup and Eagleburger, 5 each; Jessica Holmes, 2; and Cole, 1.

Rebounding honors went to Graham with 11 and Woodside with 7. As a team, the Lady Huskies made 33 rebounds.



Lindsey Graham (No. 35) prepares to grab a rebound in the game Friday night against Logan. Also pictured is Kelli Cole for the Huskies. — Telegram photo by Susie Marble

Leading steals were Eagle-

Making assists were L. Jessup, who had 3, and Fessenden and Woodside, who both had 2.

Northern Valley had 14 turn- 22 4 11-4 60. overs to Palco's 18. The Huskies' junior varsity de-

feated Palco 27-20. Leading scoring were J. Jessup Palco

with 11 points and Cole with 4

S. Valley 60, N. Valley 37 Score by quarters:

S. Valley 17 22 13 8—60 N. Valley 7 13 8 9—37

Northern Valley (37)

Graham 604-416, Woodside 3 0 0-0 6, Fessenden 1 0 2-2 4, J. Jessup 2 0 0-0 4, Cole 1 0 2-1 3, Eagleburger 0 0 5-3 3, L. Jessup 0 0 2-1 1. Totals 13 0 15-11 37.

Southern Valley (60)

hit four baskets in the first quarter

and three in the second for 14

first half but scored four baskets

Norton held quarter leads of 20-

Newell, 5'5" sophomore guard,

guard Klaire Mann and 5'10"

had one assist each. Victoria had

shots for the Norton girls and they

responded with a high team shoot-

ing percentage. The Lady Jays

swished 3 of 7 shots from long

range for 43 percent, 29 of 44 two-

point shots for 66 percent and 32

of 51 overall for 54 percent accu-

trey tries for 25 percent, 18 of 41

From the free throw line, Norton

was just 6 of 17 for 35 percent and

the Lady Knights were 13 of 22 for

Berry hit three baskets in the

points in the first half.

fourth period.

12 assists.

8, 35-20 and 55-33.

Quinn 3 2 0-0-12, Janae Perkins burger with 4 and Fessenden with 502-111, Jenee Perkins 402-19, R. Perkins 3 0 5-2 8, Becker 3 0 0-06, Sechtem 200-04, Luther 01 0-03, Witte 010-03, Lueking 10 2-0 2, unknown 1 0 0-0 2. Totals

> Northern Valley 60, Palco 49 Score by quarters:

N. Valley 12 13 16 19 — 60 8 11 13 17 — 49 Northern Valley (60)

Woodside 409-816, Graham 4 0 7-6 14, L. Jessup 3 1 4-3 12, Fessenden 1 1 0-0 5, Woodside 1 1 0-0 5, Eagleburger 1 0 6-3 5, Holmes 0 0 4-2 2, Cole 0 0 2-1 1. Totals 14 3 32-25 60.

Palco (49)

Dopita 8 0 6-5 21, Lovelady 2 1 7-5 12, Balthazor 1 0 2-2 4, Wilkie 007-44, Darnell 100-02, Sandier 100-02, Keller 102-02, Lewis 0 02-22. Totals 14 1 26-18 49.

Blue Jays beat Victoria 55-26 By DICK BOYD 49 percent and 23 of 52 overall for

It took Coach Doug Reusink's Norton Community High School going but the visiting Victoria quintet never fired up as Norton defeated them 55-26 in Mid-Continent League play Friday night in the NCHS Memorial Gym.

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Norton played a little sluggish in the first half when the Javs took a 12-9 first quarter lead and were on top by just 19-14 at halftime. They stepped up their level of play several notches after intermission, outscoring the Knights 18-6 in the third period to take a 37-20 lead into the fourth quarter. The final stanza was a repeat of the third as another 18-6 quarter produced a 29 point victory.

With the win, Norton extended their season record to 11-1.

'We didn't come out with a lot of intensity in the first half and didn't hit shots at all early in the game but we came out in the secboth ends of the floor," said Coach

"We had to fight through a and some players being sick so I thought our bench did a nice job tonight."

Leading scorer for Norton was senior center Jered Sloan with 15 points distributed pretty evenly throughout the contest. Sloan hit 6 of 12 shots from the field for an excellent 50 percent accuracy and was 3 of 4 from the free throw line for 75 percent.

Junior guard Aaron Overlease scored 11 points, all of them in the last three quarters. He also had a 50 percent shooting night. He hit just 1 of 4 from beyond the arc for 25 percent but swished 4 of 6 twopoint attempts for 67 percent and was 5 of 10 overall.

Norton's third player in double scoring figures was junior center Ryan Maddy with 10. He hit 4 of 8 two-point shots for 50 percent and missed his only trey try. He was also 2 of 4 from the free throw line.

Leading scorer for Victoria was 6'4" senior Nathan Geist with 14, over half of his team's points.

As a squad, Norton tallied on 4 of 13 three-point tries for 38 percent, 19 of 39 two-point shots for

44 percent.

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Victoria was able to hit just 1 of boys basketball team a half to get 4 long range shots for 25 percent, 7 of 20 two-point attempts for 35 percent and 8 of 24 overall for 33

> From the free throw line, Norton hit 5 of 9 for 56 percent and Victoria connected on 9 of 13 for 69 percent.

> Norton grabbed 11 offensive and 13 defensive rebounds for 24 total. Victoria pulled down 5 offensive and 15 defensive caroms for 20 total.

Heath Vincent, 3 each; Brian Luft, 2; Jason Green, 1. The Blue Jays blocked 11 Knight shots. Maddy and Sloan begin at 4 p.m. in Memorial Gym had 4 rejections each, Vincent blocked 2 shots and Jared Foley

had 1 block. Norton stole the ball 16 times. ond half and picked things up on Maddy led with 6 thefts, followed by Kats, 5; Overlease, 2; Luft, Justin Shirk, Vincent, 1 each.

The Jays were credited with 6 00-02, Maddy 402-410, Sloan 6 starter (Dan Roeder) being gone offensive assists. Overlease led 03-415, Vincent 300-06. Totals with 2, followed by Charlie Foley, 19 4 5-9 55. Luft, Maddy, Sloan, 1 each.

> Norton had just 10 turnovers in the game compared to 25 for

Junior varsity won

Coach David Stover's Norton

junior varsity boys team defeated Victoria 44-31.

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Norton held quarter leads of 15-7, 23-16 and 30-24.

Leading scorer for Norton was Shirk with 12 points, followed by Nathan Morse, 9; Derek Volgamore, 9; Greg Wilson, Josh Jackson, Heath Vincent, 4 each; Nick Evans, 2.

Top scorer for Victoria was Skylon Flaska with 12.

Next action

The Norton Blue Jays will host Sloan and Maddy led Norton in Smith Center tonight. The freshmen boys game will be at 4 p.m. at rebounding with 6 each, followed the Wilmeth Kirk Memorial Gym, by Charlie Foley, Overlease, followed by the boys junior varsity game at 5 p.m.

The freshmen girls game will and will be followed by the junior varsity girls game at 5 p.m., the varsity girls contest and the varsity boys game.

Norton boys 55

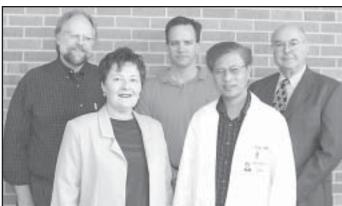
Kats 1 2 0-0 8, Jared Foley 0 1 0-1 3, Overlease 4 1 0-0 11, Luft 1

Victoria boys 26

VonFeldt 0 0 3-4 3, Hoffman 1 00-02, N. Geist 413-414, Rome 200-04, Sander 003-53. Totals 7 1 9-13 26.

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Lady Jays down Victoria girls 73-55

By DICK BOYD

Coach Kevin Jilka's Norton Community High School girls basketball team defeated Victoria for the second time in a week on Friday night in Norton, only this time both teams scored more as the Lady Jays prevailed 73-55.

On Sat., Jan. 24, Norton defeated Victoria 39-24 to earn fifth place in the Mid-Continent League Tournament. With the Friday win, the Lady Jays extended their record to 7-5.

"Our girls really played well on both ends of the floor," said Coach Jilka. "Offensively, we executed about as well as you can. We had great ball movement and really did a great job of finding the open person and finishing plays.

"Defensively, we did a good job also; our blocking out on rebounds was better.

"We just need to keep things going. Smith Center comes to town Tuesday and we will need our best effort."

Smith Center won the championship of the MCL Tournament a big factor in the victory. The and will provide a stiff challenge Lady Jays had a season record 27 for the Lady Jays.

In the win over Victoria on Friday, Norton scored big from inside the paint and from the perimeter. Anna Berry, 5'1" senior center, and Chelsea Cox, 6' sophomore center, were virtually unstoppable inside and Karlie Jones, 5'4" sophomore guard, had an exceptional shooting night from outside.

Cox hit 10 of 16 shots for 63 percent accuracy and 20 points. Berry scored on 9 of 12 tries from the field for 75 percent and hit 1 of 2 free throws for 19 points. Jones swished 2 of 3 shots from

beyond the arc for 67 percent, 4 of 5 two-point attempts for 80 percent and was 6 of 8 overall for 75 percent. She also hit 1 of 2 charities and finished with 15 points. Jones had all 15 of her points by

halftime. She hit two treys and a two-point shot in Norton's 20 point first quarter, then tallied seven more points in the Lady Jays' 15 point second quarter. Cox 59 percent. 25-22. The Lady Jays pulled down 0 0-1 2, Wolf 2 0 0-2 4, Jones 4 2 offensive and 18 defensive car- 1-215, Engelbert 110-15, Reeves oms while the Lady Knights grab- 1 0 0-0 2, Berry 9 0 1-2 19. Totals bed 8 offensive and 14 defensive 29 3 6-17 73.

Cox was the rebounding leader for Norton with 11 to give her a double-double for the game. Newell, Jones and Berry had 3 each, followed by Jessi Duscher, 2; Ebert, Engelbert, 1 each.

Norton had 11 steals and Victoria had 9. Cox was the leader with 4 thefts, followed by Berry, 3; Jones, Engelbert, 2 each.

Norton had 22 turnovers and Victoria lost the ball 27 times.

Junior varsity won

Coach George Rossi's Norton junior varsity girls edged Victoria 31-30.

Norton trailed by quarters 3-1, 13-11 and 23-19 but outscored the and a free throw in the third quarter and added two baskets in the Lady Knights 12-7 in the fourth quarter to get the win.

Leading scorer for Norton was Stacy Reeves with 8, followed by The Norton girls' teamwork was Ebert, 7; Dane'e Payne, 6; Mann, 5; Chelle Donovan, 5.

Jaree Basgall led Victoria with offensive assists. Whitney 8 points.

We really probably did not de-Cox and Jones each had six assists serve a win but we played well and Berry had five. Amber Engelenough at the end to pull out a vicbert, 5'8" junior forward, recorded tory," said Coach Rossi. "We did do a great job in the fourth quarter two assists and 5'4" sophomore of listening and running out of bounds plays that gave us the lead. sophomore center Becca Ebert

"We have taken a couple of steps back. We need to improve in tak-All the assists provided good ing care of the ball."

Next action Today's games with Smith Cen-

ter in Norton will begin at 4 p.m. with the freshmen girls game in the NCHS Memorial Gym, followed by the junior varsity girls contest at 5 p.m., the varsity girls game and Meanwhile, Victoria hit 2 of 8 the varsity boys game.

The freshmen boys game will be two-point attempts for 44 percent at 4 p.m. in Wilmeth Kirk Memoand 20 of 49 overall for 41 percent. rial Gym, followed by the boys junior varsity contest at 5 p.m. Norton girls 73

Newell 1 0 0-0 2, Cox 10 0 0-2

20, Mann 0 0 3-4 3, Overlease 0 0

Norton outrebounded Victoria 1-2 1, Donovan 0 0 0-1 0, Ebert 1

Victoria girls 55

C. Dinkel 2 0 0-0 4, L. Dinkel 3 2 3-4 15, Dreiling 4 0 3-3 11, A. Robben 0 0 3-6 3, K. Robben 4 0 1-3 9. Kuhn 0 0 1-4 1. Garner 1 0 0-02, Basgall 402-210. Totals 18 2 13-22 55.

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