Hurricanes Basketball Presses Forward In National Tournament

The Lady 'Canes basketball team opened up play at the 2013 NJCAA National Championship Tournament this Tuesday afternoon with a 66-49 win over New York's Erie Community College.

The 2nd-seeded Hurricanes controlled the game from the onset, as the Louisburg speed was too much for the 15th-seeded Kats team. Four Lady 'Canes put in double-digit scoring efforts with Justin Taylor of Gastonia, NC leading the way with 15 points on 5-7 shooting from the field. Tiffany Johnson (Philadelphia, PA), Latrice Phelps (Virginia Beach, VA), and Courtney Raiford (Greenwood, SC) each chipped in with 11 points, with Phelps just missing a double-double as she swiped nine boards.

The Lady 'Canes advance in the 16-team tournament and will take on the #10 seed, Community College of Rhode Island, Wednesday night at 9:00pm (ET). CCRI defeated 7th-seeded Owens Community College (Ohio) 76-68 in opening round play.

Outside of the tournament, season standout and Hurricanes guard Olivia Gaines has been named to the 2013 Women's Basketball Coaches Association Junior/Community College Coaches' All-America Team, and is one of three finalists for their Player of the Year award. Women's Basketball Head Coach Brett Vana has also been selected as one of eight finalists for the WBCA's Junior/Community College National Coach of the Year award.

The Louisburg College men's basketball team suffered an 88-86 loss in the opening round of the national tournament Tuesday evening. The #3 seeded Hurricanes jumped out to an early lead that slipped away as the #14 Scouts pulled ahead, extending their lead to 14 points at the break.

'Canes guard Kevin Williams of Franklinton, NC led all scorers with a 26-point effort as he shot 8-17 from the field, including a 5-10 performance from three-point range. LaShawn Alexander (Norfolk, VA) also had a very impressive effort, as he earned a double-double scoring 14 points and swiping 15 boards. Antonio Robinson (Winston Salem, NC) and Paul Stone (Danville, VA) put in double-digit efforts as they each helped out with 12 points in the loss.

Louisburg will continue with play at the championship tournament as they will now compete for a possible 7th place finish, among the 16 teams, in the single-elimination consolation bracket. LC's next game will be on Thursday when they take on New Jersey's Essex County College at 12:00pm (ET).

All of the NJCAA Tournament games will be broadcast live at www.ihigh.com/njcaatv.

SGA Sponsoring Food Drive for Easter

The Student Government Association has “adopted” a local family in need for Easter. Stop by the Student Life Office to donate non-perishable foods today through March 27!
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Meet Aspiring Architect Dalton DaCosta

Upon graduating from Louisburg this spring with his associate's in business, Charlotte, North Carolina native Dalton DaCosta will transfer back home to UNC-Charlotte, where he will be majoring in Architectural Engineering. After receiving his bachelor’s, he also plans to pursue a master’s degree.

Dalton credits Louisburg with instilling in him a strong self-confidence. “You always hear people tell you ‘you can do anything, or be anything,’” Dalton says, “but I really didn’t believe it until I came to LC. I never thought I would be able to talk on a stage in front of hundreds of my peers, but I did.”

Inspired by his parents and motivated by his high school job, Dalton chose Louisburg because it was a place away from home where he could concentrate on just his education.

When asked what advice he has to give to new and current Louisburg students, he encourages them to “get involved in your school – it will make your time here at LC more enjoyable, as well as open doors of opportunities for you.” Dalton practices what he preaches, having served as a Peer Leader and in SGA, and been involved as a member in the Phi Theta Kappa honor society and the Ultimate Frisbee Club.

Dalton’s favorite thing about being an LC student has been the College’s job shadowing program, through which he was able to learn from the architects working on the renovation of the E. Carroll Joyner Student Residence (pictured, left). All in all, Dalton wants to be remembered by his peers and professors as a leader, role model, and positive person.

Hurricane Advisors Chosen for 2013

Congratulations to the 17 students who were recently selected to be the College’s 2013 Hurricane Advisors! Hurricane Advisors help new students and their families make a positive transition to Louisburg College during SOAR (Student Orientation and Registration) and other events.

Aaron Adams  Kenyanna Haggans
Tanner Bradley  Ashley Harris
Jeff Bradley  Brishanta Irvin
Ambur Burse  (Head HA)  Caroline Knight
Vanessa Clayton  Ricky Penn  (Returner)
Todd Corbett  (Returner)  Kaitlyn Sitterson
Ni’kesha Credle  (Returner)  Jeff Sneed
My’Shaun Fogg  Samantha Wicks  Carsyn Yow

Girl on Fire

Last month, Residence Life staff led an empowerment program for all women on campus. With a title based on Grammy award-winning singer Alicia Key’s current album, the “Girl On Fire” program encouraged respect for each other and promoted positive approaches to building healthy relationships.
We Want to Hear from YOU!

To have your news included in the next Mid.Week.Message, please email your submission by Monday at 5PM to:

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