TIGERETTES

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The Lady Jets went on a scoring spree; however, in the second half, led by Miss Basketball Finalist Gracee Dishman who accounted for 15 of Cumberland County's 23 third quarter points. She led all scorers with a game-high 39 points.

DeKalb had trouble finding the hoop during the Lady Jet third quarter run, bucketing only nine points. By the end of the third, the Lady Tigers had been doubled up and were on the short end of a 48-24 score.

The DeKalb girls couldn't buy a three-pointer in the fourth quarter as they struggled to make one final run at Crossville. Meanwhile, Cumberland County hit four shots from beyond the arch, three of them by Kiara Wilson and one by Dishman. The Lady Tigers were outscored 21-8 in the fourth.

In the end, the Lady Tigers shot 67

percent from the charity stripe, making four out of six free throws. They made four shots from beyond the arch and hit eight field goals. Emme Colwell led the Lady Tigers with eight points with Mya Ruch second with six and Joni Robinson contributing two three-pointers. Lydia Brown and Kenzie France both put in four. Maddison Parsley had three and Malori Hart had

Fish believes another year of seasoning could be the key to turning the Lady Tigers into a force to be reckoned with

"All these kids will be a year older next year and that's where the rubber will meet the road," Fish said. "These kids have something really special in store for them. I love them, they worked hard. They got a champion work ethic and champion attitude. Now it's just trying to make championship shots."

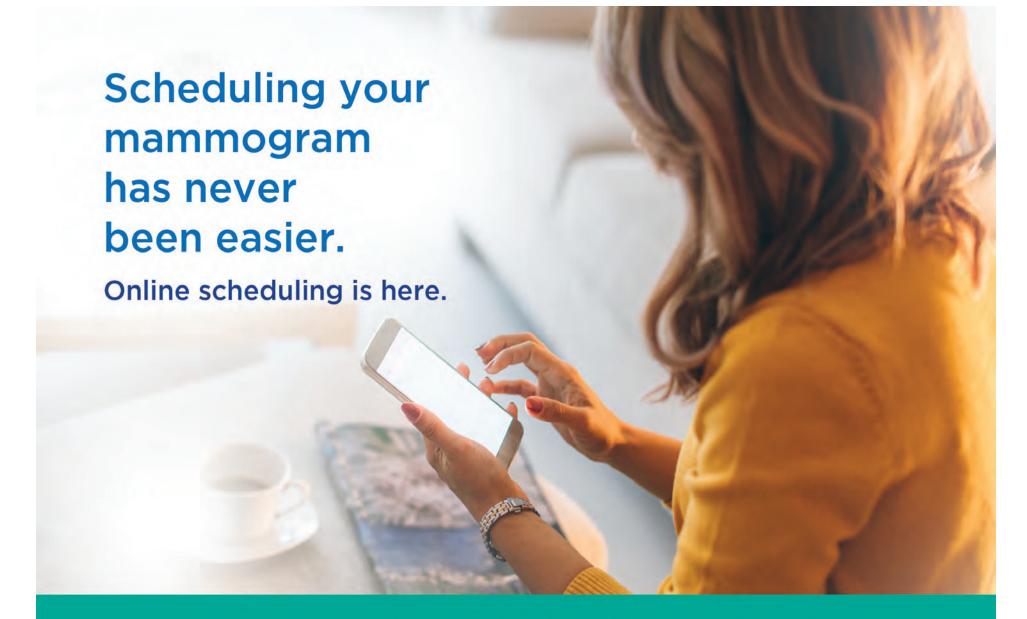




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Dekalb County guard Mya Ruch drives to the basket against Cumberland County defender Lauren Tabor on Friday night at Cumberland County High School. Ruch is this week's Athlete of the Week. All athletes of the week get a free t-shirt courtesy of the **Smithville Review** which can be picked up at our office just off the square.





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