

# Charity stripe tough on Warriors during conference contest

By Lenny Sementi

The Tuscola boys' basketball team went toe to toe with the top team in the Central Illinois Conference, but for the second consecutive game the Warriors fell prey to a hot shooting team at the free throw line.

State ranked Central A&M hit 12 of 12 from the charity stripe in the second half Tuesday, Jan. 15, which allowed the Raiders to erase a third quarter Warrior lead and secure the CIC victory, 63-47, despite a huge outing by senior post Brayden VonLanken.

The big man dominated the paint scoring a team high 16- points on 5 of 9 from the floor, including a three. He finished off a pair

of and one opportunities while going 5 of 8 from the free throw line and grabbed a team best eight rebounds. Five of his points came in the final three minutes of the first quarter and fueled a Warrior 10-2 run that cut a double-digit Raider lead to just one 17-16 by the first buzzer. Jacob Kibler hit a three to start the run, and Jalen Quinn hit a runner. Kibler opened the game with a three as well, adding eight points in all to his season resume.

Both teams turned up the heat on defense, but the Raiders still had no answer for VonLanken who hit a pair of buckets and a three ball with less five seconds left on the clock in the first

half to knot the game at 28-28 entering break. Ben Dixon stepped outside the arc for coach Justin Bozarth in the period also. The junior wing was two for two on threes, delivering six points to the cause while hauling in five rebounds.

Cade Kresin put Tuscola on top with a quick bucket, but the well went dry for a five-minute period as A&M ran off a 15-0 run to take control of the game. Quinn stopped the bleeding with an offensive put back, and Will Little drained a three, which allowed the Warriors to keep it in striking distance entering the fourth down by nine, 45-36. Quinn had nine points in the game on 4 of 9 from the

field. He also came through with three assists and five rebounds.

Dixon sank his second trey of the game only to watch A&M answer, forcing the Warriors to foul in an attempt to save clock, but the Raiders didn't miss handing Tuscola its sixth loss of the season. The Warriors fall to 11-6 overall and 1-2 in the CIC.

"We played really well versus A&M for three and a half quarters," stated the coach. "They made plays when they needed them and proved why they are one of the best teams in the state. We're trending in the right direction against some of the best teams in central Illinois, and we're confident by

regionals that we will hang with those teams for four quarters, giving us an opportunity to be very good."

Threes were wild in the JV contest for coach Jacob Hilgendorf's squad. The Warriors connected on six three's in all, four in the second half, helping them pull away late in a 43-28 victory. Max Wyninger hit a pair of the deep balls in the fourth en-route to a game high nine points. Cole Cunningham was next up with eight points also notching a pair of treys. Cameron Homann ended the night with four points and led Tuscola on the boards, corralling a team best eight rebounds.

TUSCOLA (59)									
fg-fga	ft-fta	3-3a	reb	a	s	pf	tp	pts	tr
VonLanken	6-10	2-3	0-1	2	0	1	2	14	1
Little	2-4	0-0	1-3	3	1	2	5	5	0
Kresin	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	3	2	0
Kibler	3-10	0-1	0-1	7	3	1	2	6	0
Quinn	7-19	6-7	3-9	9	3	3	4	23	2
Dixon	1-2	0-0	0-1	4	2	1	2	2	0
Hardwick	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cunningham	2-5	2-3	1-3	3	0	0	3	7	0
Totals	22-51	10-14	5-18	29	9	8	21	55	16
FG%	43%	FT%	71%	3-FG%	28%	Turnovers	16		

WARRENSBURG-LATHAM (63)										
fg-fga	ft-fta	3-3a	reb	a	s	pf	tp	pts	tr	
Ingram	10-20	9-13	1-4	30	11	2-4	3	35	5	
Hortin	2-5	0-0	0-2	4	1	1	0	4	0	
Cunningham	3-7	0-2	2-5	8	1	0	0	4	0	
Leathers	2-4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	4	0	
Yaroch	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Totals	fg-fga	11-33	(33%)	ft-fta	2-6	(33%)	3fg	3fga	2-6	(13%)
TO-22	REB:	(25)	Dixon	7						
Homann	5		Cunningham	3		Calderon	3		W-L JV	
Patel	2		Hardwick	1		Williams	1		Hortin	
Hortin	1		Chester	1		Patel	1		W-L JV	
fg-fga	16-45	(36%)	ft-fta	2-2	(100%)	3fg-3fga	7-16	(44%)	Reb:	
18			18			18			11	

TUSCOLA (47)									
fg-fga	ft-fta	3-3a	reb	a	s	pf	tp	pts	tr
VonLanken	5-9	5-8	1-2	8	1	1	5	16	1
Little	2-6	1-1	1-4	1	0	3	4	6	0
Kresin	1-4	0-0	0-0	3	0	0	2	2	0
Kibler	3-9	0-0	2-5	2	0	0	4	8	0
Quinn	4-9	1-2	0-3	5	3	0	2	9	0
Dixon	2-5	0-0	2-2	5	0	1	1	6	0
Hardwick	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cunningham	0-3	0-0	0-2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	17-45	7-11	6-18	24	5	5	18	47	17
FG%	38%	FT%	64%	3-FG%	33%	Turnovers	17		

CENTRAL A&M (63)									
fg-fga	ft-fta	3-3a	reb	a	s	pf	tp	pts	tr
Paradee	8-12	7-8	2-5	25	11	20	3-4	30	4
Andricks	4-10	4-4	0-3	12	1	0	0	16	0
Hutchins	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fenton	0-2	0-0	0-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	fg-fga	12-24	(50%)	ft-fta	11-14	(79%)	3fg-3fga	4-13	(31%)
Reb:	22		22		10		10		10
Central A&M	17	11	17	18					63
Tuscola	16	12	8	11					47

TUSCOLA JV (57) CENTRAL A&M JV (25)									
fg-fga	ft-fta	3-3a	reb	a	s	pf	tp	pts	tr
Dixon	2-3	2-2	0-0	6	0	0	0	4	0
Hortin	1-7	0-0	1-4	3	0	0	0	4	0
Cunningham	3-11	0-0	2-8	11	2	0	0	11	0
Calderon	2-5	0-0	0-1	4	0	0	0	4	0
Wyninger	3-5	1-2	2-4	9				16	49
Totals	fg-fga	16-49	(33%)	ft-fta	5-10	(50%)	3fg-3fga	6-21	(29%)
TO-7	REB:	(28)	Homann	8		Hortin	4		Cunningham
Hardwick	3		Williams	3		Wyninger	3		Calderon
Dixon	1		Chester	1		CENTRAL JV:	fg-fga	8-30	(27%)
						ft-fta	8-12	(75%)	3fg-3fga
						1-9	(11%)	Reb:	18
						18			11

# Cardinals escape with a win, edge Warriors 63-59 at home



Warrior Cole Cunningham during CIC basketball action with the Warrensburg-Latham Cardinals Friday, Jan. 18. The Cardinals edged the Warriors 63-59.

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For the third straight game the Warriors weren't able to hold on to a lead in the third quarter falling to a good Warrensburg squad by six points 63-59. The visiting Cardinals took advantage of a Warrior scoring drought in the second quarter to stay in the game and, simply, outscore the home team down the stretch. The two teams combined for 74 points in an entertaining second half.

"The game was close throughout; we put ourselves in a few holes but dug ourselves back out," commented Bozarth. "We fought our way back and had really good looks at the basket late, but the shots didn't go down for us tonight."

Jalen Quinn hit a three in the first and three in the game on his way to a team high 23 points. Quinn took full advantage of the attention directed toward Brayden VonLanken in the post to step outside the arc, giving the Warriors a 13-10 lead with 1:25 left on the clock in the first. The big man added 14 points to the mix after some damage down low with a pair of early buckets then hit one

more to cap of the period making it 15-12 Warriors heading to the second.

Warrensburg utilized a 13-2 run to build a double-digit lead, but an offensive put back by Cole Cunningham and late jumper from Cade Kresin coupled with baskets from Quinn and VonLanken got the Warriors right back in it heading to the break behind by just two points 25-23. Quinn hit threes on back-to-back possessions in the third to put the Warriors in front only to see the Cardinals crank out a 10-point run that ultimately proved to be too much to overcome. Warrensburg ended the third period up by five and kept it there throughout the final eight minutes of the contest.

Will Little hit a three in the final stanza as did Cunningham, but it was not enough as the Cardinals' Jarrius Ingram closed the door with a 6 for 9 effort at

the line. Ingram was held in check in the first half scoring just two points but exploded in the second half scoring 28 points by continually finding his way to the basket.

"We held Ingram in check early, but, simply put, Ingram took over the game for them in second half," Bozarth said.

Tuscola drops to 1-3 in the CIC with the loss and 11-8 overall. The Warriors leave the conference for a pair traveling first to Arthur Christian on Tuesday the 21st before heading to Paxton-Buckley-Loda on Friday the 25th. The game with the Panthers looms large. The Panthers are in the Warriors' sub sectional, and both teams are jockeying for seeding positions.

Tuscola fell in the JV prelim falling to the Cardinals 41-26. Cunningham hit two treys in the first stanza and led coach Jacob Hilgen-



Warrior bench players applaud during CIC basketball action with the Warrensburg-Latham Cardinals Friday, Jan. 18. The Cardinals edged the Warriors 63-59.

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## AROUND the Halls

By Caleigh Parsley

The Tuscola Class of 2020 is currently fundraising for Prom in April with mini-baked cookies and fan flags - MLB, NFL, and NCAA. You can also order online and find a bigger selection of items that can be shipped right to you. Make sure to find a TCHS Junior to buy something before Tuesday, Jan. 29!

On Tuesday, Jan. 15 the Tuscola FCCLA Officers planned FCCLA Week, which is quickly approaching in February. The next day, the whole Chapter had their monthly meeting and

signed up for the exciting upcoming events!

Wednesday the 16th Tuscola FFA Officers met to plan National FFA Week, also in February. This year officers are planning to add even more to the week-long celebration. There's still one more week left to purchase strawberries; to place an order call 253-2377 ext. 134. Four FFA members will be competing in the public speaking career development event on Jan. 23, and two will participate in the job interview contest. Feb. 4, Tuscola FFA Officers will travel to Decatur to meet with the National FFA Officers who are scheduled to be in Illinois part of the national tour.

On Wednesday, Jan. 16 Kiwanis had a Game Night with the TCHS Key Club members who enjoyed Monical's Pizza and a Desert Survival Scenario. They had three teams: four or five Kiwanians and three

Key Club members in each.

Their plane crashed - do not worry, everyone (but the pilot and co-pilot) survived, and each individual member had to rank 15 items from most important to least. Then, the team discussed their rankings and agreed on what they deemed appropriate. Finally, the expert rankings were then given, and the team with the least amount of points won, which just happened to be "The Winners." But everyone really left a winner that night!

Key Club members worked concessions for the boys' basketball game against Warrensburg on Friday, Jan. 18.

Thursday, Jan. 17, cheer, dance, boys' and girls' basketball, scholastic bowl, FFA, SADD, and Student Council took pictures.