

Skylights win two

The MSU-Northern Skylights picked up two wins prior to Christmas Break. On Wed. Dec. 16, the Skylights defeated Menlo College from Atherton, CA 77-66 at the Carroll College PE Center in Helena.

MSU-Northern had four players score in double figures led by Samm Schermele with 23 points. The 5-9 junior from Great Falls was 11-12 from the foul line and 6-13 from the field.

Taylor Keller, a 5-6 junior from Custer, added 18 points and 5 assists while Zivile Gaizutyte, a 6-2 junior from Vilnius, Lithuania added 17 points and 10 rebounds.

Laramie Schwenke, a 5-8 sophomore from Malta, scored 10 points and handed out six assists.

The Skylights led 34-26 at the half and ended the game shooting 50% from the field (24-48). MSU-Northern was 26-33 from the foul line.

Menlo was led by Katelyn Guild, a 6-0 senior from Eureka, CA, with 18 points and seven rebounds. Brittany Taylor, a 5-3 guard from Hayward, CA added 14 points and Gianna Covarelli, a 5-8 guard from Discovery Bay, CA chipped in with 11 points.

On Friday, Dec. 18, the Skylights defeated Concordia (AB) 73-46 in Havre. Schermele again paced the team in scoring with 22 points. She also pulled down eight rebounds and had three steals. Schermele was 5-9 from the field, 10-10 from the foul line and 2-3 from the three- point line.

Gaizutyte added 14 points and 10 rebounds and Taylor Keller 10 points for MSU-Northern. Casceal Swaggard, a 5-10 junior post from Oakland, CA, scored eight points and pulled down a game-high 13 rebounds. Kori Bingham, a 5-7 junior guard from Shoshone, ID, scored eight points and pulled down five rebounds.

MSU-Northern (6-6) held a 51-31 rebounding advantage. The Skylights, who have won five of their last six games, led 36-21 at the half.

Concordia was led the Jordan Anstice, a 6-0 post from Sherwood Park, AB, with 21 points and 10 rebounds. Cailin Lissel, a 5-7 guard from Hinton, AB, added 11 points for the Thunder.