

# Hatch hammers Southern Choctaw

■ Uniontown team sweeps season series from Indians with another impressive win in boys' game

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GILBERTOWN — The Southern Choctaw Indians boys' basketball team is enjoying a revival. The run-and-gun, talent-laden Indians jumped out to an impressive 8-1 start this year with quality wins over area opponent Keith and near-by rival Washington County.

The high-flying start had fans thinking of past glory and deep playoff runs. Then state powerhouse R.C. Hatch showed up on the schedule twice in one week.

Now the Indians are 9-3 after back-to-back ugly 40-point losses to Hatch - including an 88-47 thumping in Gilberttown on Friday night - and reeling just a bit as they regroup and figure out a way to stop the powerful Hatch side.

In the first quarter of the Friday night game in Gilberttown, the Indians kept pace with No. 3 ranked R.C. Hatch by slowing the game down and basically holding the ball. The play worked, down just 15-7 at the end of one, the Indians were still in the game.

With the start of the second quarter the Indians suddenly tried to speed the game up and run with Hatch. The results were multiple turnovers that fueled an 11-2 Hatch run, sending the game to the half with the Indians now trailing 37-16.

Hatch would outscore the Indians by only three points in the third (21-18), but would post 30 in the fourth (30-13) to runaway with the area victory.

The win improved Hatch to 16-4 overall, but more importantly kept Hatch a perfect 3-0 in 2A Area 5 play.

The Indians (9-3) fell to 1-2 in area play with a remaining road game against Keith on January 26th.

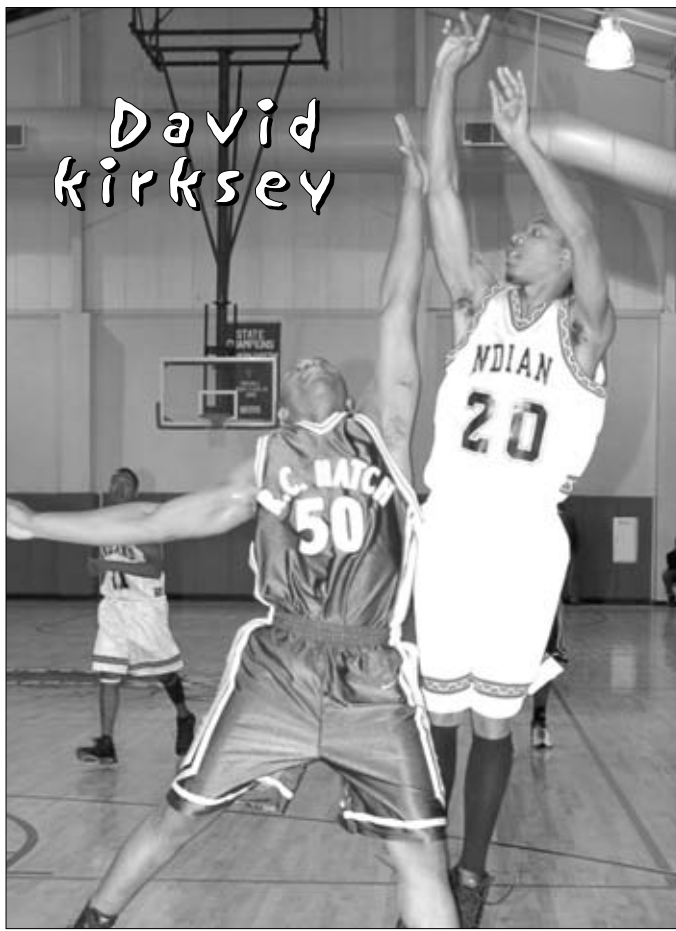
Skyler Gibson led the Indians with 11 points and five rebounds in the loss, while Jamison Stewart and Jerrell White each hit eight for the Indians.

Still bothered by a sore ankle, Marty Frost scored just six. Junior Frankie Sullivan paced R.C. Hatch with a game-high 31 points.

In the girls game, the Indians held their own before falling 39-23 to Hatch. Sophomore Brittany White and junior Bionca Boone led the Indians with seven each. Angelica Gibson added five for the Indians.

The B-team was beaten 51-15 in a game in which Hatch had eleven players score. Shaud Causey led the Indians with four points.

Southern Choctaw will travel to face area opponent Keith on Friday, January 26th.



David Kirksey



Brittany White

# Millry wins again

■ Lady Wildcats beat J.U. Blacksher for 7-6 overall record

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URIAH -- On Saturday night, the Millry Lady Wildcats managed to pull-off a road win against the J.U. Blacksher Bulldogs, pushing the Cats' record to 7-6 overall.

The Cats and Dogs were both a little slow getting into the game and went into halftime tied at 11.

The Cats improved their game in the second half, however, with better rebounding and free throw shooting. Although the score was tied 25-25 at the end of the third, the Cats really woke-up in the fourth, holding the Dogs to just five points, while almost doubling their score for the 45-30 victory.

The Millry boys' team fell to 1-11 overall despite a solid all-around effort in their 49-45 loss at Blacksher. The boys trailed by just three, 32-29, going into the fourth period, but were unable to pull ahead for the win.

Anthony Sullivan led Millry in rebounds in the game, while Ryan Taylor led the team in scoring. Wildcats' Head Coach Ronnie Hubbert said that the boys are "playing harder and better" and that he "expects them to put up another win soon."

They'll get that chance January 23rd-26th at the Washington County Tournament in McIntosh.

# Varsity Saints fall to Marion; J.V. wins

BUTLER -- Despite a 12-point night from Neal Cook (photo), the Patrician Saints lost, 48-27, to Marion in Butler on Friday night.

The Saints (2-15) trailed just 29-24 after three, but were outscored 19-3 in the fourth period. Jake Lill added eight point for the Saints in the loss.

The J.V. boys beat Marion for the second time this season to improve to 11-4 overall. Michael Gibson led PA with 12 points in the 30-24 win.



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press and score seven while holding Sparta to zero points to rally for the 29-27 win. Freshman Shelby Williams scored 14 for Patrician, while classmate Tori Walters added 11 points.

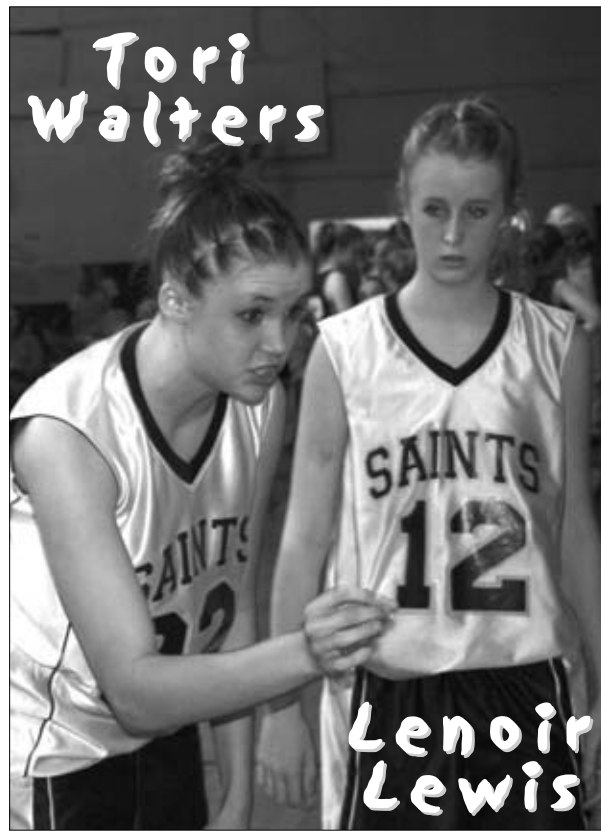
In the championship game against Lakeside, Patrician jumped out to a quick 16-8 first period lead in what at first appeared to be a mismatch.

However, Lakeside would rally from a double-figure third period deficit to tie the game early in fourth. Undaunted, the Lady Saints outscored Lakeside 10-6 in the fourth to hold on for the 43-37 victory.

Tori Walters led Patrician with 16 points and Harley Glass added seven. Eighth grader Lauren Bonner and freshman Scarlett Adams each had six, while Shelby Williams and Kameron Cook added four points in the win for Patrician.

Prior to the tournament, Patrician rocked visiting Marion 51-6 in Butler on Friday night. In the drumming, Walters scored 14, while Shelby Williams and Lenoir Lewis each has eight. Lauren Bonner scored seven for Patrician.

Although the Saints won the Invitational tournament, their season is still not over. Patrician will try to keep their 15-0 record perfect with season ending matchups left with Marengo in Butler on Tuesday (1/23) and at Sparta on Friday, January 26th.



Tori Walters

Lenoir Lewis



Kameron Cook



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