

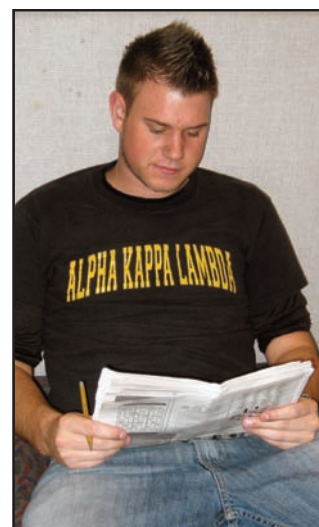
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All-American
Deon Thomas

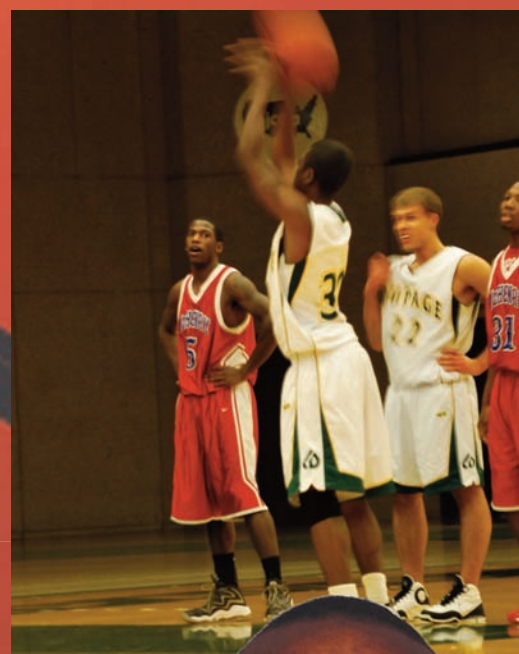
Top ten cagers tip-off season

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No. 4 ranked men's, no. 6 women's shut down McHenry on Klaas Court

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Left:
Sophomore point guard Martinice Price transferred from Waubonsee Community College and played her first game as a Chaparral on Tuesday night.



The apple doesn't fall far from the tree

Jaime Campos, starting sophomore guard for the Chaps' women's basketball team does whatever she can to play basketball. She has always strived to improve on and off the court. Campos has a slashing style

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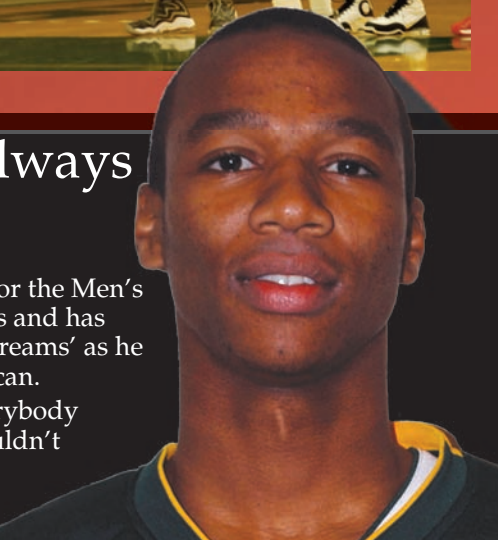


Thomas wasn't always an All-American

Deon Thomas, sophomore guard for the Men's basketball team has high aspirations and has proved they aren't 'pie in the sky' dreams' as he was named a pre-season All-American.

It wasn't always that way. "Everybody used to make fun of me that I couldn't play. Now I'm better than

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Walls fall at the BIC and plants go up at the TEC. Gas leak causes TEC building evacuation.

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Instructor Gib Egge throws students into all types of learning environments.

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A riot of their own

A look at the college's aspiring punk musicians.

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SPORTS

Chaps defend Klaas Court versus McHenry

By Matt Wells
Sports Editor

McHenry won the tip-off and had the first three-point shot of the game. Head Coach Don Klaas stood up and yelled, "That's not how we play!"

DuPage answered right back with a two-point shot by sophomore center Kenneth Ogbuokiri from inside the paint.

Ogbuokiri finished second on the team for the game with 10 points on five of eight from the floor. He also tied for the lead in rebounds with five.

Freshman guard Julius Staisunas hustled to save a ball with 15:30 left in the first half. At this point the Chaps led 8-5.

With just over 12 minutes remaining in the first half, McHenry hoisted up another

3-point shot that aggravated Coach Klaas. He reacted and said, "Where the hell are our wings at?"

Sophomore guard Wesley Love had the play of the first half near the eight-minute mark. He stole the ball, ran up court and then got an easy layup to increase the lead to 15-9.

Near the end of the half, Love had a similar play but he ended up passing to freshman guard Jeremy Parker for a layup. The half ended with DuPage on top, 28-22.

In the second half, the Chaps built their lead off improved offense, better rebounding and high-pressure defense. McHenry turned the ball over 12 times.

On one possession, one of the guards missed a shot, but Ogbuokiri was there to get the rebound and then the

layup to increase their lead to 56-35. A player on the bench said enthusiastically, "I told you he's a garbage man!"

With just over three minutes remaining in the game, and the score at 59-40, Coach Klaas called a timeout.

With 1:37 left and the score at 63-44, Coach Klaas called the final timeout of the game, and told the team, "I expect you guys to play smart and play well."

With 1:10 left, the lead was increased again by freshman forward Jontae Rogers to 65-44 for the Chaps' final basket.

The game ended on a missed shot by McHenry, followed by a rebound by Ogbuokiri, his fifth and final for the game.

The Chaps' defense allowed 24 points in the second half for a final score of 65-46.

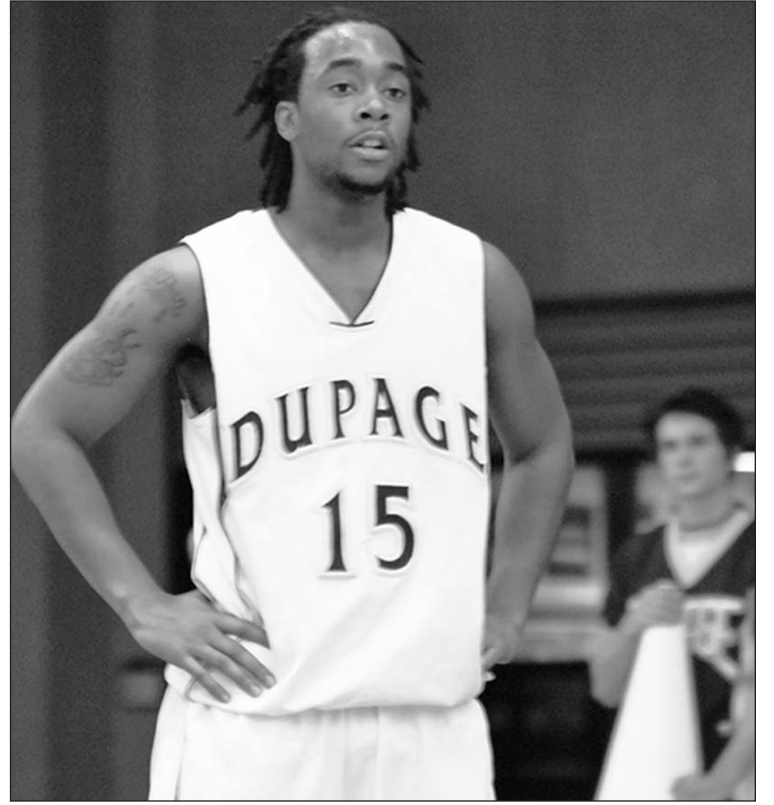


Photo by Amanda Kellermann

DeShawn Chambliss led the team with 12 points off the bench.

Defense is key in 65-46 win in men's home opener

By Matt Wells
Sports Editor

Defense was the key in the Chaps 65-46 rout of McHenry.

Head Coach Don Klaas did not look or sound surprised. He said, "Our strength is our

defense."

Klaas complimented sophomore guard Wesley Love and said, "He was at the top of his game." On defense, that was clear to everyone watching as Love led the team with six steals.

Freshman guard Julius Staisunas tied for second in steals with center Kenneth Ogbuokiri and forward Kaaran Singh, who are both sophomores. All three players had two steals.

Sophomore guard Patrick

Harper led the team in defensive rebounds with five in his limited minutes.

Sophomore guard Deon Thomas rounded out the defensive effort with the lone block for the Chaps. He also had four points, three re-

bounds and two assists.

As his teams do every year, Coach Klaas expects them to improve. Before this season he said, "I want this week's team to beat last week's team. I want this year's team to beat last year's team."



Photo by Amanda Kellermann

Sophomore transfer Martinice Price reads the defense.

Lady Chaps beat McHenry

By Matt Wells
Sports Editor

"It was a tale of two halves," Head Coach Chris Cotton said. "In the first half we started the game down 7-0... [then] in the second half we played much better."

After a 0-7 run allowed by DuPage, Coach Cotton called a timeout and asked the team, as they approached the bench, in an irritated tone, "What are you doing?"

After the timeout, freshman starting center Danielle Muhlena ended McHenry's run with an offensive rebound and followed that with a shot in the post for the Lady Chaps' first score.

Shortly after Muhlena's score, Coach Cotton replaced her with sophomore forward Yessenia Cabadas. Right after Cabadas took the floor for the first time in the game, she scored DuPage's second basket. She would go on to finish the game with six points, six rebounds and one block.

At 11:04, Cabadas blocked a shot near McHenry's baseline.

The top play of the first half came with 9:44 remaining in the first half. A defensive trap by the Lady Chaps enabled sophomore guard Martinice

Price to steal the ball and then jet down court for a right-handed lay-up. Although McHenry still had the lead, it shrunk to two points. The score was now 10-12.

The first half ended with a 7-0 run by the Chaps to put them in the lead 21-19. Despite the lead, Coach Cotton was visibly upset. He simply stated that, "It was not a good half."

Soon after the second half started, Coach Cotton called a timeout. During the timeout he told the Lady Chaps, "Our intensity is not what it was against Elgin."

Under fourteen minutes left in the game, Price had the play of the second half. She stole the ball at half-court and made a lay-up.

For the rest of the half, sophomore forward Emily Collins showed off her jump-shooting ability. Collins ended up leading the team with 13 points. She hit 60 percent of her 3-point shots, had four rebounds and one steal.

After the game, Coach Cotton spoke about Collins' performance and told how Monday was her first practice with the team, and how Tuesday night's game was her first this season. Coach Cotton

thought that was "extremely impressive."

Cotton was also impressed with Price. As a transfer from Waubensee Community College, Price was unable to play in the game against Elgin last Thursday because of a paperwork issue. Coach Cotton said, "That can be a huge blow, especially to a 17, 18 or 19 year old. I give her a lot of credit, a lot of kudos for taking advantage of her opportunity [in the game.]

Price finished the game with 12 points, three rebounds, five steals and four assists.

Coach Cotton stated that in the second half, "We forced turnovers, we scored on those turnovers and then our offense was not only getting wide open shots like we were in the first half, but we were knocking down those shots."



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Martinice Price runs up-court



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Winter '09 Sports Schedule

MEN'S BASKETBALL

NOVEMBER		
Thu., 5	at ELGIN	W 64-57
Tue., 10	McHENRY	W 65-46
Fri., 13	at South Suburban	5:00 p.m.
Tue., 17	KISHWAUKEE	7:00 p.m.
Thu., 19	ELMHURST JV	5:00 p.m.
Sat., 21	at Oakton	3:00 p.m.
Tue., 24	at Waubensee	7:00 p.m.
DECEMBER		
Tue., 1	at Moraine Valley	7:00 p.m.
Fri., 4	DuPAGE TOURNEY (Sauk Valley, Daley, North Central JV)	1:00 p.m.
Sat., 5	DuPAGE TOURNEY	1&3 p.m.
Tue., 8	MORTON	7:00 p.m.
Fri., 11 - Sat., 12	William R. Bear Classic	tba
JANUARY		
Sat., 2	PRAIRIE STATE	7:00 p.m.
Tue., 5	at Haper	7:00 p.m.
Thu., 7	BENEDICTINE JV	7:00 p.m.
*Sat., 9	ROCK VALLEY	7:00 p.m.
*Tue., 12	at Joliet	7:00 p.m.
*Sat., 16	TRITON	7:00 p.m.
*Tue., 19	at Wright	7:00 p.m.
*Sat., 23	at MATC-Milwaukee	3:00 p.m.
*Tue., 26	MATC-MADISON	7:00 p.m.
*Sat., 30	HARPER	7:00 p.m.
FEBRUARY		
*Tue., 2	at Rock Valley	7:00 p.m.
*Sat., 6	JOLIET	7:00 p.m.
*Tue., 9	at Triton	7:00 p.m.
*Sat., 13	WRIGHT	7:00 p.m.
*Tue., 16	MATC-MILWAUKEE	7:00 p.m.
*Sat., 20	at MATC-Madison	7:00 p.m.
Mon., 22 - Sat., 27	Region IV Tournament	tba
MARCH		
Thu., 11 - Sat., 13	NJCAA Division III Nationals	tba
	at Delhi, NY	

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

JANUARY		
Sat., 2	PRAIRIE STATE	5:00 p.m.
Tue., 5	at Harper	5:00 p.m.
*Sat., 9	ROCK VALLEY	5:00 p.m.
*Tue., 12	at Joliet	5:00 p.m.
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MARCH		
Thu., 11 - Sat., 13	NJCAA DIVISION III NATIONALS	tba
	at Rochester, MN	

SWIMMING AND DIVING

NOVEMBER		
Fri., 6 - Sat., 7	Maroon Invitational	6:00 p.m.
	University of Chicago	
	Chicago, IL	
Sat., 14	Monmouth Invitational	11:00 a.m.
	Monmouth College	
	Monmouth, IL	
Fri., 20 - Sat., 21	Phoenix Classic	6:00 p.m.
	University of Chicago	
DECEMBER		
Fri., 4	Wheaton Invitational	9:30 a.m.
Sat., 5	Wheaton College	
Sat., 12	at Oakton Invitational	9:00 a.m.
	Naperville Central HS	
	Naperville, IL	
JANUARY		
Fri., 15 - Sat., 16	Chicago Invitational	6:00 p.m.
	University of Chicago	
	Chicago, IL	
Fri., 22	at Lincoln College	6:00 p.m.
	Lincoln, IL	
FEBRUARY		
Fri., 12 - Sat., 13	REGION IV CHAMPIONSHIP	11:00 a.m.
	Lincoln College	
	Lincoln, IL	
Fri., 19	Midwest Invitational	tba
Sat., 20	University of Chicago	
	Chicago, IL	
MARCH		
TUE., 2 - Sun., 7	NJCAA Swimming and Diving Championship	
	at Indian River Community College	
	Fort Pierce, Florida	

* denotes conference games
HOME GAMES IN CAPS

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

NOVEMBER		
Thu., 5	at Elgin	L 41-48
Tue., 10	McHENRY	W 51-36
Thu., 12	SAUK VALLEY	5:30 p.m.
Tue., 17	KISHWAUKEE	5:00 p.m.
Thu., 19	ST. CATHERINE	7:00 p.m.
Sat., 21	at Oakton	1:00 p.m.
Tue., 24	at Waubensee	5:00 p.m.
DECEMBER		
Thu., 3	KENNEDY-KING	5:00 p.m.
Sat., 5	at Judson JV	5:00 p.m.
Tue., 8	MORTON	5:00 p.m.
Thu., 10	at Moraine Valley	5:00 p.m.
Fri., 18	HOLIDAY INVITATIONAL	
	Lake County	5:00 p.m.
	Elgin	7:00 p.m.
Sat., 19	HOLIDAY INVITATIONAL	
	Consolation game	1:00 p.m.
	Championship	3:00 p.m.

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Chaps lose District Final in 2OT

Co-captain Angel Pedraza looks back on the last game and friendships forged during the soccer season

By Matt Wells
Sports Editor

"We went down fighting," said co-captain Angel Pedraza, after the Chaps lost to Iowa Central. "I don't regret anything... when you give your all, there's nothing to be mad about."

With 14:16 into the first half, Iowa Central scored the first goal. "We weren't really into it... We let the ball bounce... we didn't react quick

enough," said Pedraza about the first half.

Pedraza described how normally you have one crowd that cheers for their team and taunts the other, but that at this game, it was a "great atmosphere on both sides."

Pedraza told how some bench players gave the team an "enormous boost. They definitely helped swing momentum back to our side."

Head Coach Jim Kelly was pleased with their effort. "We

know it was one game we could've won." Pedraza said.

Pedraza said the "outcome was bittersweet."

"Personally, it was the best team and season I've had my whole life. The chemistry and bond went beyond the field... Those friendships helped us to where we got this season. On the field it was time to work. Off the field it was time to goof off."

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on the court similar to NBA star Allen Iverson. On offense, she drives through the lane for easy layups and runs after balls headed out of bounds.

On defense, she creates turnovers for her team.

"Basketball has always motivated me to excel in school because if I didn't, I wasn't allowed to play," said Campos. She has always loved the feeling of accomplishment after a victory.

Before every game she contacts her Dad by either a call or a text message. Campos said her Dad has "never quit at anything and always strives to be the best."

Campos sees herself as "a

leader and a shooter." Campos seems to have applied that in every facet of her life. She told how she is driven.

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they are," said Thomas.

Thomas' mom has raised and supported Deon his entire life. "She drove me to all my AAU practices, to all my games and she paid for [me to participate on] all my travel teams."

Thomas looks like the perfect player for Head Coach Don Klaas' system. Klaas said how his teams get better as the season goes on. That only happens when everybody is on the same page. With Thomas leading the team, it's bound to happen.

Lady Chaps lose to Richland College in OT

Yellow cards and lack of execution were the culprits

By Matt Wells
Sports Editor

One week after capturing the Region IV Championship trophy versus Harper College, the team fell in the final two minutes of overtime to Richland Community College.

Poor officiating doomed DuPage from the start. 16:03 into the game, Richland was awarded a penalty kick on a "horrible call," according to Head Coach Jason Hunter.

Coach Hunter felt the officiating was unfair. It was clear

that the fouls helped Richland this game. "The fouls were 16 [for DuPage] to 8 [for Richland] with four yellow cards for us and one for them."

Despite all the adversity from the "poor" officiating, the team "played very well after we fought through [the penalty kick at 16:03]" according to Coach Hunter. He commended the physical and mental toughness displayed by the team.

In the final 1:04 Richland was finally given the one yellow card they had rightfully deserved. Striker Deena

Tillawi raced down the left sideline and was shoved by a Richland player.

Striker Ashley Collins set up a penalty kick near the spot of the foul and kicked the ball into a group of players. Defender Dana Frederick came up with the ball and kicked it over the Richland keeper's head into the goal. The crowd erupted.

Richland found a way to score again with 1:21 left in overtime. The final score was 2-1. Richland had nine shots on goal to the Chaps' four.



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Captain Ashley Collins watches from the sidelines.

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