SUNY Cortland Women’s Basketball

SUNY Cortland vs. Nazareth College
Thursday, December 4, 2003; Corey Gymnasium; Cortland, N.Y.

FINAL SCORE: Cortland 85, Nazareth 40

CORTLAND, N.Y. – Senior Michelle Ciquera (Massapequa) scored 16 points, grabbed eight rebounds, dished out six assists and recorded seven steals as Cortland (5-0) defeated visiting Nazareth College, 85-40, in a non-league game. The teams were meeting for the first time since the 1990-91 season, and the series between the schools is now tied at 5-5.

All 13 Cortland players scored in the contest. Freshman Andrea Wilkinson (New Paltz) finished with 10 points. Junior Deirdre Zimmerman (Almond/Alfred-Almond) and freshman Liz Cornell (Union Springs) each scored eight points and sophomore Dani Maye (Kirkwood/Windsor) and junior Karen Thompson (Ulysses, PA/Northern Potter) added seven points apiece.

Zimmerman also finished with four assists and four steals and Maye pulled down a game-high nine rebounds. Sophomore Kaylin VanDusen (Schuyler/West Canada Valley) contributed four steals and junior Kristen Egan (Oyster Bay) recorded six rebounds and three assists.

Nazareth (1-2) was led by junior Kadi Burgess (Newark), who scored nine points and grabbed four rebounds. Junior Sarah Russ (Schenectady/Guilderland) and sophomore Kathleen Thomas (Herndon, VA/Robert E. Lee) each scored seven points and junior Sara Shipley (Macedon/Palmyra-Macedon) finished with five rebounds.

The Golden Flyers led 6-3 before the Red Dragons went on a 19-0 run from the 14:23 mark of the first half to the 8:16 mark. Cortland led 39-19 at halftime and went on a 15-0 run midway through the second half to extend a 25-point lead to 40. Cortland shot 51 percent from the field and 83 percent from the foul line. Nazareth was held to 33 percent shooting from the floor and committed 31 turnovers.

Cortland will host Fredonia on Friday at 6 p.m. in a SUNYAC matchup.