SUNY Cortland Women's Basketball

SUNY Cortland vs. Keuka College
Saturday, January 7, 2006; Weed Physical Arts Center; Keuka Park, N.Y.

FINAL SCORE: Cortland 68, Keuka 55

KEUKA PARK, N.Y. – Cortland overcame an 11-point first half deficit and used a 10-0 run midway through the second half to erase a four-point Keuka lead and the Red Dragons pulled away for a 68-55 win over the Storm in a non-league matchup.

Senior Kaylin VanDusen (Schuyler/West Canada Valley) paced Cortland (7-2) with 20 points, eight rebounds and four assists. She made four of the Red Dragons’ 10 three-pointers in the contest and improved her career scoring total to 952 points. Freshman Ali Canale (Oswego) finished with 12 points, five rebounds and three assists and freshman Megan Assmus (Syosset) pitched in 10 points, including three treys, along with four assists and four rebounds.

Senior Dani Maye (Kirkwood/Windsor) and sophomore Sara Cavanaugh (Hastings-on-Hudson/Hastings) each finished with eight rebounds and three assists. Senior Chrissy DeHay (Clay/Cicero-North Syracuse) scored six points and matched a career high with five blocked shots.

Keuka (1-5) was led by senior Lindsay Baker’s (Scranton, PA) 21 points and seven rebounds. Junior Alison Berwanger (Silver Spring/Letchworth) added 11 points and four steals, sophomore Erica Golden (Whippleville/Franklin Academy) scored seven points and pulled in six rebounds and junior point guard Sarah Dorman (Batavia/Elba Central) handed out 11 assists, grabbed five rebounds and made three steals.

The Storm led 22-11 with 7:18 left in the first half, but Cortland responded with a 17-2 run over the next seven minutes, led by six points each from VanDusen and Canale. The Red Dragons led 37-32 on a VanDusen basket with 15:36 remaining before Keuka fashioned a 9-0 run over the next three minutes. Berwanger’s two free throws with 12:24 left put the Storm ahead 41-37, but Assmus answered with a three-pointer 20 seconds later to start the decisive run. Cavanaugh hit a shot with 11:29 left to give Cortland the lead for good, followed by a Maggie Byrne (Pearl River/Albertus Magnus) three-pointer and a VanDusen bucket.

Keuka was still within 49-46 with 8:20 left, but a 9-0 run by the Red Dragons pushed their lead to double-figures and the Storm was unable to get any closer than 10 points the remaining five minutes.

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