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## #13 Patriots Tame Tigers; Defeat St. Catharine College

The #13 University of the Cumberland (13-5; 2-0) Women's Basketball team hosted Georgetown College this past Thursday in the opening of Mid-South Conference (MSC) play. The Patriots handled their rival a 90-63 loss. Then on Saturday, Cumberland's played Mid-South Conference opponent St. Catharine College. The ladies had no trouble recording their second MSC win



defeating the other Patriots, 72-42.

Against Georgetown, the women got the lead early and never looked back. In the first half the Patriots held the Tigers to 22% shooting from the field. The impressive defense gave the women a 39 -19 lead going into half time.

In the second half, the Patriots shot a 58% from the field and won in easy fashion, 90-63. Cumberland's posted five players in double figures. Darnellia Russell

(Seattle, WA) had a great game with 22 points, 5 rebounds, 3 steals, and 7 assists. Sonia Thompson (Utica, MI) tallied 17 points and 8 rebounds while Autry Myah (Chicago, IL) chipped in with 13 points. The other two players in double figures were Stephanie Quattrociocchi (Windsor, Canada) and Laruen Martin (Detroit, MI). Quattrociocchi scored 12 points and Martin had 10 points.

The Patriot Ladies moved on to take on host St. Catharine College this past Saturday. At the half, the women were up 27-16.

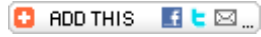
In the second, Cumberland's outscored the Purple Patriots 45-26 to give them the 72-42 victory. The Patriots continued their balanced scoring in the game with every player scoring seven points or more. Senior forward Lauren Martin led the Patriots with 17 points and 11 boards. Sonia Thompson had 12 points while Stephanie Quattrociocchi and Darnellia Russell both added 10 points apiece.

The Patriots will be back in action on January 21, 2010 as they host West Virginia Tech. Wear Maroon to the games to show your support of the Patriots and present the "Maroon Out". Tip-off is scheduled for 6:00 PM.



Brittanie Ware lays one up and in as the Patriots rolled past the Lady Tigers of Georgetown. Photo by Natalie Medders, UC Sports Information Student Photographer

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