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Tylar Hartfield, sophomore forward, drives around a University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma defender Nov. 14 during the women's 56-52 win at the Tara Patterson Memorial Coca-Cola Classic. Hartfield had five points and six rebounds. The team was led in scoring by Jasmine Manuel, junior guard, who had 16 points, five rebounds and two steals to propel the Lady Builders to 2-2 for the season. The women will play Washburn University in an exhibition game Saturday at 7 p.m. in Topeka.

Women take on Washburn

By Michelle Dreiling
Staff reporter

The women's basketball team will travel to Topeka to play an exhibition game against Washburn University at 7 p.m. Saturday.

The Lady Builders took on Doane College 7 p.m. Nov. 17 at home. The women were 2-2 going into Tuesday's game. Results of this game will be available online Nov. 18 at scollegian.com or scupdate.org.

They tied the record, 2-2 in an eventful weekend for the Lady Builders. The Tara Patterson Memorial Coca-Cola Classic tournament started for the Builders with a game against Hillsdale Freewill Baptist Friday night. Going into the game, the Hillsdale Saints' record was 0-3. The Builders led the whole game, but Dave Denly, head women's basketball coach, was very animated in his coaching during the first half, motivating the team to get up and down the floor. The team led 30-11 at halftime, but they didn't let up after the break.

Autumn Drake, Hillsdale head coach, started off the second half with a technical foul. Sara Maxwell, junior guard, made the foul shots, and the Builders sunk two field goals and a three-pointer in the next two minutes. With eight minutes to go in the game, the

Builders ran away with two more layups and another two field goals from Jacey Cullop, sophomore guard and Whitney Ward, junior forward. The final score of the game was 76-31. Jasmine Jackson, sophomore forward, was the lead scorer of the game with 14 points.

Denly was grateful for the win, but had points ready for the team to improve upon. "We should've had 40 to 45 points on the board in the first half. We just need energy." He praised the performance of Tylar Hartfield, sophomore forward, Amy Laible, senior forward, and Maxwell. "Hartfield played with the energy and explosiveness that we need to see her play with. I thought Amy and Max did a good job coming in."

The Builders' final game of the Tara Patterson tournament was against the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma Lady Drovers Saturday night. The Drovers' record going into the game was 2-1. The first half of the game was back and forth, with the Builders going into halftime trailing 25-28.

The lead continued to bounce back and forth after the half. With an intense six minutes to go in the game, Catherine Haikin, sophomore guard, drew two fouls, making all foul shots. Jasmine Manuel, junior guard, followed with a field goal and a three-point shot to tie the game at 46. Hartfield followed with a field goal, and USAO answered with another two goals, making the score

48-50 with three minutes to play.

Foul shots dominated the last three minutes' scoring, with Southwestern making eight out of ten shots, and USAO going two for four.

The Builders won the game with a final score of 56-52.

"I feel the team improved on a lot of things in the tournament, but the most important thing was proving to ourselves that even in tough situations we can overcome them if we come together as a team," said Haikin.

Jackson felt that the team really came together to get these two wins, but also sees areas to improve.

"During the tournament we showed mental toughness. We worked hard and put forth a great team effort. We definitely need to work on being consistent. Overall, we just have to work on being on the same page every night, knowing our role as a player, and that we need each other in order to get the job done," said Jackson.

Haikin credits part of the team's intensity to having many Southwestern fans. "I think having a home crowd was good for our team. There was a lot of energy and hype in the gym before the game started," said Haikin.

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Men lose heartbreaker, pack gear for road trips

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Men's basketball continues to fight through their early season non-conference schedule. The next seven games are all on the road before their Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference opener in December against the University of Saint Mary. Southwestern's next game takes place tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. in Seguin, Texas when the Builders clash with Texas Lutheran University.

They played Manhattan Christian College yesterday. Results were not available at press time.

On Nov. 14 the Builders took on Graceland University at home in one of the most heated games thus far. Southwestern gave their strongest

effort against the Jackets, but fell short in the final moments 80-78. "It was a good test," said Chris Collins, freshman forward. "It would have been a really good win to have."

Graceland led 45-40 at halftime. By the fourth quarter that lead was extended to nine and the chance for a Builder victory looked dim.

Southwestern fought back in the waiting seconds of the game to knot the score up at 78. That would be as close as they came, though, as a Builder foul sent Graceland's Jake Smith, junior guard, to the free throw line with less than five seconds remaining.

Smith hit both free throws and the purple and white could not answer before the clock expired.

Despite the disappointment,

O'Brien felt the Builders still performed at a high level. "I feel like our total team effort was good," said O'Brien. "We need to work a little harder on understanding the concepts." Southwestern shot 47.4 percent from the field and went 10-24 from beyond the arch. They also won the turnover battle, turning the ball over 13 times compared to the Jackets 17.

Marcus Batiste, senior forward, had a career day as he led the Builders in both scoring with 20 points, and rebounds with eight. Justin Diggle, senior guard, followed with 17 points and four assists.

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Jason McCormack, senior guard, looks for a pass during the men's basketball game against Graceland University Nov. 14. The men lost 80-78. They play Texas Lutheran University tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.

Football ends season with 3-7 record

By Clint Dick
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Southwestern entered this year looking like a team that wasn't going to be a threat in the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference. They were projected to finish in last place in the preseason polls, but ended in a three-way tie for seventh.

The Builders ended their season on a sour note Nov. 14. They traveled to Kansas Wesleyan with high hopes after a two-game winning streak. That dream was crushed quickly as the Coyotes cruised to 33-0 shutout of the Builders.

The first score came off a 12-yard run by Fielding Uhland, junior quarterback, early in the second quarter. From that point on, the Builders struggled to keep up with the Coyotes on both sides of the ball.

With just 14 seconds left in the half, Doug Webster, junior quarterback, connected with Corey Ham, junior wide receiver, for a 14-yard touchdown to extend the Coyote lead. The score not only gave Kansas Wesleyan a 13-0 advantage going into the locker rooms, but momentum coming into the second half.

The Coyotes continued to roll as Uhland hit Anthony Berry, junior wide receiver, for a big play midway through the third quarter. Berry hauled in the pass for a 28-yard

touchdown that capped off a 12-play, 99-yard drive that ate up 6:03 minutes off of the clock. "We stopped them in the run early on," said Tazkargy. "They started getting a lot of big passes, and our defense just got worn down and tired."

Kansas Wesleyan then scored on another long passing play as Tanner Giffin, freshman wide receiver, threw for a 34-yard touchdown to Daniel Reynolds, senior tight end. The touchdown increased the lead to 26-0 with 12:20 left in the game.

With just over three minutes to play, the Coyotes put the nail in the coffin as Aaron Miller, senior wide receiver, caught a 7-yard touchdown pass from Webster. The touchdown ended any hope of a Builder victory as Southwestern suffered its first shut out of the year.

The Builders, gained only 146 yards during the game. "We didn't make plays," said Jeff Schaefer, junior wide receiver. "We couldn't get it done offensively."

The ground game had a tough time getting anything going against a stingy Coyote defense as Southwestern had 34 yards on 30 rushes.

Jordan Barrett, freshman quarterback, struggled as well as he finished the day completing nine of 24 passes for 104 yards and an interception. Schaefer led the Builders in receiving with three catches for 82 yards.

On the offensive side of the ball, the Builders struggled early in the season. For the past few games, they have been able to find the offensive rhythm they lacked at the beginning of the year. In scoring offense and total offense, Southwestern finished last in the conference, scoring 13.6 points per game and averaging 233.5 yards per game.

It hasn't been a total loss, though. They proved to be a disciplined team as they finished with the fourth least penalties per game, with 59 penalties for 609 yards.

Defensively, the Builders had their moments. While they have given up their fair share of big plays to opponents, there have been some bright spots. The Builders finished third to Ottawa and Friends University in sacks, finishing with 27.5 total sacks. Southwestern also shut down opponents on third down, ending the season with an opponent third down percentage of 37.0 percent. That was good enough to earn them fifth in the KCAC.

"This year we had a lot of young talent," said Zak Tazkargy, sophomore linebacker. "I want to see how everyone matures and I think we will be a lot better next year."

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JV teams provide college opportunities, scholarships for average athletes



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Scoring the winning basket at the buzzer of the championship game is the dream of every basketball player. Children spend hours in

the gym or in their backyard playing imaginary basketball games in their heads. They count down the final seconds out loud and hoist up the "game winner." As they watch the ball swish through the net, they make the sound of the buzzer with their mouths. Basketball players everywhere have this vision. However, I wonder how many young athletes are imagining hitting the game-winning shot of a junior varsity game.

Until this year, the men's basketball team has consisted of a varsity team and a lesser-known junior varsity team. This season, however, the men's program dropped the junior varsity team.

While they are typically mentioned less, I feel that a JV team can really help out a college sports program. Having a JV team benefits many different people, including the players, coaches, families, schools and community.

A JV team can help out the players who are less likely to log several minutes at the varsity level. Some athletes love the game and do not get the chance to play at the college level. Having a JV team can help more athletes to achieve their goal of playing at the next level without as much pressure.

Coaches can benefit from a JV team because they are able to watch the players grow and become bet-

ter athletes. While they are playing JV, they are still playing games against college competition. If a varsity player was to get injured, a JV player would be able to move up and cover their spot.

Scholarships may also be given out to JV players. This can help more people to go to college. A college basketball team usually has 12 to 15 people on it. However, having a JV team can help 12 to 15 more students attend college.

Financial aid and loans may not be enough to get someone into college. Scholarship money may be exactly what they need to continue their education.

My roommate is a perfect ex-

ample of how college basketball changed his outlook on education. He had made up his mind that he wasn't going to attend college.

However, a few days before school started, he was called and offered a chance to play at a Junior College in Illinois. After playing two years at the Junior College, he was offered a scholarship from Southwestern. He is currently in his third year of college. If it wasn't for basketball, he never would have carried on his education past high school.

Adding a JV team also means adding more games to the schedule. This means that there will be more chances for the community

to watch basketball games, which in turn gives the school a chance to raise more money with admission, concessions, and paraphernalia. The people coming to the game will have the opportunity to see exactly what Southwestern College is like.

Bringing the JV team back to the men's basketball program will do nothing but help. Coaches would love for experienced players to play for them. Many athletes would love the chance to play college sports. The JV team would provide opportunities to many people.

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