

# Glendale girls ready for 2006-07 season

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FLINTON — After winning a Moshannon Valley League title and making a trip to the District 6 Class A playoffs last year, the Glendale girls basketball team finds itself in a much different predicament this season.

Last season, head coach John Matchock returned his entire starting five from the previous year. This year, Matchock will have to groom a whole new starting five after losing his top five scorers from last season.

"We lost all of the starters from last year to graduation," Matchock said. "I kind of put my eggs all in one basket last year, so the only time a lot of these girls got to play last year was when we were up by a lot or we were down by a lot. So, varsity experience-wise we aren't very deep right now. But the girls have been working hard in practice, so we are taking it game by game."

Only four returnees from last's year 12-13 team have seen some game experience. Seniors Brittany Boulton, Katee Budzinski, and juniors Cate Dick and Tiffany Twigg all came off the bench last season. Twigg played in all but one game last season as a reserve, while Budzinski is the lone player back to average over a point per game at 1.7 ppg.

But just because they have the most experience doesn't mean they are guaranteed starters. As in years past, Matchock will wait to name a starting five after the girls have had some time to showcase their talents on the practice court.

"I don't have a starting five," he said. "I don't even have a starting one yet. I like to give them something to shoot for, plus no one has really stood out to me right now. No one has impressed me enough to say they are starting. Everyone has a chance to start this year; freshmen all the way up to the seniors."

The Lady Vikings have five seniors on the roster this year, along with three juniors. All have seen significant time on the junior varsity level, but will have to step it up a notch to compete at the varsity level.

Still, Matchock sees one improvement from last year's squad — height. Aside from leading scorer and rebounder Ashlee McQuown, the Lady Vikings didn't have that height they needed to compete with some of the bigger teams in both the Juniata Valley League and Moshannon Valley League.

"Our height is really going to be key for us this year," Matchock said. "We have at least four girls that are 5-10 or above,

so that's really going to help us with our rebounding. We lost some of that speed from last year, but I think we gained a lot more with our height. We are just going to have to be smart with the basketball."

While the Lady Vikings have height on their side, Matchock is concerned that turnovers could pose a problem when the regular season kicks into gear. To try and avoid that, he and his assistants have been trying to help the girls make some better decisions when handling the ball.

"We need to work on our turnovers," said Matchock. "We played all summer and turnovers is what has killed us. We don't

have the speed this year, so we have to be smart with the basketball. We have to know when to shoot and when to pass. The girls can shoot, but when it comes to when to shoot, we haven't been making very good decisions. We have been working on that in practice, though."

With just 14 players on the roster, the Lady Vikings will have to buckle down and play smart if they want to repeat as Moshannon Valley League champs, something they have set as a goal this season.

"Our goal is to go back to playoffs again," Matchock said.

"Just to have the atmosphere in the school and at practice leading up to the playoffs, you could tell it was time to get serious and that was kind of fun. This year, I want to go back to the playoffs, and we want try and win another Mo Valley League title. But we are just going to take it game by game this year and see what happens."

The Lady Vikings open up their season on Dec. 1 at the West Branch Tip-Off Tournament. Glendale plays Austin in the opening game at 6 p.m.

Glendale won the tournament last year, topping host West Branch in the championship game, 49-33. The Lady Vikings went on to finish the season at 12-13 and undefeated in the Moshannon Valley League.

**Roster**

**Seniors**

\*Brittany Boulton, \*Katee Budzinski,

\*Tara Dick, \*Kristen Gates, \*Kim Kovach.

**Juniors**

Cate Dick, Katie Treese, \*Tiffany Twigg.

**Sophomores**

Brianna Dick, Michelle Gates, Justine Kovach, Samantha Noel, Whitney Strong.

**Freshmen**

Brooke Legrand.

\*Denotes returning letterwinners.

**Schedule**

**December**

1—vs. Austin at West Branch Tip-Off Tournament, 6 p.m.; 2—vs. West Branch/Grier at West Branch Tip-Off Tournament, TBA; 6—Moshannon

Valley; 8—at Southern Huntingdon; 12—at Williamsburg; 15—Penns Valley; 18—at Curwensville; 19—West Branch; 22—at Juniata Valley; 28—at Moshannon Valley.

**January**

3—Bellwood-Antis; 5—at Claysburg-Kimmel; 8—Mount Union; 15—Southern Huntingdon; 16—at Harmony; 18—Williamsburg; 23—at Penns Valley; 25—at West Branch; 29—Juniata Valley.

**February**

1—at Bellwood-Antis; 6—Claysburg-Kimmel; 9—at Mount Union; 12—Harmony; 14—Curwensville.

All games begin at 7:30 p.m. unless noted.



Lady Vikings letterwinners — The Glendale girls basketball team returns six letterwinners for the 2006-07 season. In front, from left, are Tara Dick and Kim Kovach. In back are Katee Budzinski, Tiffany Twigg, Brittany Boulton and Kristen Gates.

Photo by Jim Butler



December 1, 2006: Glendale 41 vs Austin 64 (WB Tourn.)

# Glendale girls fall to Austin, 64-41

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ALLPORT — The season didn't start off nearly as well as the Glendale girls basketball team wanted it to on Friday evening at the West Branch Tip-Off Tournament.

The Lady Vikings fell behind Austin, 17-0, in the first quarter en route to a 64-41 loss in the opening game of the same tournament. Glendale was crowned champs at last season.

"We started off slow," said Lady Vikings head coach John Matchock. "We got ourselves in a big hole. Once you do that, it's hard to get yourself out of it. We got open looks, but nothing fell in for us. We couldn't stand underneath the basket, which we were half of the time, and we still couldn't put them in. I don't know if it was first-game jitters or not."

The Lady Panthers jumped

out to the 17-0 lead thanks in part from 10 points by Rayna Valenti. Valenti scored a game-high 27 points in the game.

The Lady Vikings finally got on the scoreboard with just under 44 seconds to play in the first quarter when Tara Dick drained a three-pointer.

But, Glendale continued to struggle with the quickness of the Lady Panthers, looking sluggish early.

"I don't know what it is," Matchock said of his girls looking tired early in the game. "I don't know if we are out of shape or what. That's something we are going to have to work on. I knew coming in tonight that it was going to be a problem. I just didn't know it was going to be that big of a problem. We just didn't get anything on defense. Austin got the rebound, and they were down the court before our

girls turned around half of the time. We just didn't hustle down the court. So, that's something we have work on."

Austin took a 19-5 lead at the end of the first quarter and headed into the locker room with a comfortable 31-15 lead.

Glendale was unable to close the gap, as Valenti and Whitney Crosby scored nine and eight points, respectively in the third quarter, giving the Lady Panthers a 54-25 lead heading into the final frame.

The Lady Vikings did outscore the Lady Panthers in the fourth quarter, 16-10, but by then the gap was too much for Glendale to close.

Tiffany Twigg finished as Glendale's highest scorer with eight points. Austin's Crosby finished with 15, while Casey Boucher added 12.

"Luckily, we get to come back

and play tomorrow," said Matchock. "Hopefully, we will play a lot better tomorrow than we did tonight."

Glendale faces Grier in the consolation game at 6 p.m. today.

#### Glendale—41

C. Dick 2 0-0 5, Legrand 0 0-0 0, Noel 0 0-0 0, Treese 0 0-0 0, Twigg 4 0-2 8, Boulton 0 3-4 3, Budzinski 2 3-4 7, B. Dick 1 0-0 2, T. Dick 2 2-2 7, K. Gates 3 0-2 6, M. Gates 0 0-0 0, J. Kovach 0 0-0 0, K. Kovach 1 1-3 3, Strong 0 0-2 0. Totals: 15 9-19 41.

#### Austin—64

Jeffers 4 0-3 8, Kio 1 0-0 2, Valenti 12 0-0 27, Boucher 5 2-6 12, Crosby 6 3-4 15, Stuckey 0 0-0 0, Gordnier 0 0-0 0, Flory 0 0-0 0, Wambaugh 0 0-0 0, Niles 0 0-0 0, Van Horn 0 0-0 0, Orlovski 0 0-0 0, Fowler 0 0-0 0. Totals: 28 5-13 64.

Three-pointers: C. Dick, T. Dick; Valenti 3.

#### Score by Quarters

Glendale	5	10	10	16—41
Austin	19	12	23	10—64

December 2, 2006: Glendale 64 vs Grier 8 (WB Tourn.)

# Glendale routs Grier

By Jaelyn Yingling  
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ALLPORT — After struggling under the net on Friday evening against Austin, the Glendale girls basketball team fared a little better on Saturday evening in the consolation game of the West Branch Tip-Off Tournament in Allport.

The Lady Vikings put together four solid quarters of basketball, topping Grier, 64-8.

While Glendale still struggled under the basket, the Lady Vikings played good defense and got some help from their outside shooters to improve to 1-1 on the season.

"I had them come up early today before the game and practice their shots," said Lady Vikings head coach John Matchock. "It still was a problem tonight, but we did get a lot of rebounds, which was a plus. We did good boxing out as well."

"Still, we have got to learn to finish underneath. Tonight it didn't matter, but down the road, starting on Wednesday with Mo Valley, we are going to have to make those shots."

Glendale started out slow, needing nearly three minutes to get its first bucket. But once the Lady Vikings got rolling, there was no slowing them down.

Glendale pulled out to a 7-0 lead before Grier got a three-pointer from Courtney Beckett. The Lady Vikings finished off the frame with an 8-0 run. Glendale went on to pile up the next 25 points, before taking a 34-5 lead into halftime.

Whitney Strong had four points in the quarter, while Brooke Legrand added a three. Both Strong and Catie Dick went into the locker room with six points.

"Yesterday, I don't know if we were just nervous or what, said Matchock. "It was the first varsity game for most of those girls. They shot good tonight, though. I was pleased. They got a lot of those first-game jitters out. Hopefully, we are ready to go on Wednesday."

The Lady Vikings finished off the game with a 21-3 run, holding Grier scoreless in the final frame.

Catie Dick finished the night with 12 points, while Brittany Boulton notched 11 points and nine rebounds.

Tiffany Twigg added 10 points and eight rebounds. Twigg was named to the all-tournament team for her efforts.

Glendale returns to action on Wednesday when they host Moshannon Valley.

NOTES: Beckett was the Grier representative on the all-tournament team, after finishing the tournament by scoring 14 of the team's 26 points. ... Twigg had 10 rebounds and eight points in Friday night's loss to the Lady Panthers.

#### Glendale—64

C. Dick 4 1-4 12, Legrand 2 0-0 5, Noel 2 0-0 5, Treese 1 0-1 2, Twigg 5 0-0 10, Boulton 5 1-1 11, Budzinski 0 0-0 0, B. Dick 0 1-2 1, T. Dick 1 0-2 3, K. Gates 1 2-6 4, M. Gates 0 0-0 0, J. Kovach 1 0-2 2, K. Kovach 1 1-4 3, Strong 3 0-0 6. Totals: 26 6-22 64.

#### Grier—8

Senior 0 0-0 0, Nguyen 0 0-0 0, Luce 0 0-0 0, Beckett 2 0-0 6, Wehr 1 0-0 2, Cagle 0 0-0 0, Spoerer 0 0-0 0, Hughes 0 0-0 0, Almer 0 0-0 0, Su 0 0-0 0. Totals: 3 0-0 8.

Three-pointers: C. Dick 3, Legrand, Noel, T. Dick; Beckett 2.

#### Score by Quarters

Glendale	15	19	16	14—64
Grier	3	2	3	0—8

December 6, 2006: MoValley 38 at Glendale 29

# Moshannon Valley girls down Glendale

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FLINTON — The Moshannon Valley girls basketball team entered Wednesday's matchup with Glendale looking to rebound from a disappointing loss at Curwensville.

The Damsels led for three quarters before falling on Monday, but Mo Valley made sure that it wouldn't happen for the second time in as many games.

The Damsels opened up a comfortable lead in the first quarter against the Lady Vikings, and made it stand up, 38-29, for their first win of the season.

"We knew our kids just had to get over the hump mentally because they're so used to playing from behind, and, at times, they'd forget that they're ahead," said Mo Valley head coach Tom Tomasko. "We played like we were having to play catch up (on Monday), but hopefully they saw a little bit tonight where they were ahead and they had to be a little more patient and just take the good looks (at the basket)."

Mo Valley opened up a seven-point lead thanks to freshman Vanessa Rowley. Rowley opened the scoring by knocking down a three-pointer, before making a pair of layups from fastbreaks for the early cushion.

Rowley finished with a game-high 10 points, all of which were scored in the first half.

"We thought if we'd start out in man, with our quickness, that we could get a pretty good start, which, basically we did do," Tomasko said. "Rowley picked up a lot of points there early — mostly on steals and fastbreak situations. It gave us quite a bit of cushion for the rest of the game."

The Damsels kept the pressure on Glendale, forcing eight first-quarter turnovers en route to a 16-6 lead after one.

"It seems like we get in this routine of digging ourselves into this hole," said Lady Vikings head coach John Matchock. "I told them in the locker room that we're not a team, right now, that can dig ourselves out of a hole. We stepped up a little bit, but it was too late."

Neither team got their offenses in gear in the second, as Glendale outscored Mo Valley, 6-5, but still trailed 21-12 heading into halftime.

Tiffany Twigg netted four of her team-high eight points in the second, while teammate Katee Budzinski added the other two.

Rowley had three points in the quarter, while Jordan Cook added the other bucket. Cook finished the game with nine points.

Glendale committed 10 more turnovers in the third, but the Damsels were unable to capitalize on a majority of Lady Viking miscues.

Both teams netted six points in the quarter, and Mo Valley entered the fourth up 27-18.

"All of our passes seemed like they were to Mo Valley players," Matchock said. "I don't know if Mo Valley was playing good defense, or if we just weren't looking who we were passing to."

"Mo Valley came in and played well. I saw them Monday night against Curwensville, so I knew that they were small, but quick. I knew (their speed) would be a problem, and I was hoping that we'd be able to make our shots underneath and get back on defense. We just didn't do that tonight."

The Damsel offense began the fourth much like it did the first.

Mo Valley netted the first seven points of the quarter to open up a 34-18 lead with 6:03 remaining.

Amy Tomasko netted five of the seven, while Staci Godin added a layup to open up the double-digit advantage. Tomasko scored all of her eight points in the fourth.

"It seemed like we struggled offensively after the first quarter," said Coach Tomasko, "but sometimes that happens when you have a big first quarter. We knew Glendale would be very competitive and they always are up here. We knew they had a con-

siderable size advantage on us, so we wanted to make sure that we were trying to limit them to one shot."

Twigg netted four more points in the fourth, and Tara Dick added a three-pointer with under five seconds to play to set the final.

"For us to start performing better, I think we have to take better care of the basketball," said Matchock, whose team committed 32 turnovers. "We have too many turnovers, and a lot of them were unforced turnovers — picking up our dribble, getting trapped, throwing the ball away or throwing it to one of them. It's just the small things we have to work on, but those small things turn into big things when you keep adding them up."

The Damsels improved to 1-1 on the season and 1-1 in the Moshannon Valley League, while the Lady Vikings dipped to 1-2 and 0-1.

Both teams return to action Friday with Mo Valley hosting Juniata Valley and Glendale traveling to Southern Huntingdon.

## Moshannon Valley--38

Godin 3 0-0 6, Tomasko 3 1-2 8, Cook 3 3-7 9, Greslick 1 1-4 3, Rowley 4 1-4 10, Elder 1 0-0 2, Charney 0 0-2 0, Murarik 0 0-0 0, Davis 0 0-0 0. Totals: 15 6-19 38.

## Glendale--29

Budzinski 0 4-4 4, T. Dick 1 0-1 3, K. Kovach 0 2-4 2, C. Dick 1 0-0 2, Twigg 3 2-4 8, Boulton 1 0-0 2, Strong 0 0-0 0, Treese 1 0-0 2, Noel 0 0-0 0, K. Gates 3 0-0 6, Legrand 0 0-0 0, B. Dick 0 0-0 0. Totals: 10 8-13 29.

Three-pointers: Tomasko, Rowley; T. Dick.

## Score by Quarters

Moshannon Valley	16	5	6	11	38
Glendale	6	6	6	11	29

## December 8, 2006: Glendale 23 at Southern Huntingdon 73

### Glendale upended by SH

ORBISONIA — The Glendale girls basketball team fell to host Southern Huntingdon, 73-23, on Friday night.

Katee Budzinski paced the Lady Vikings with seven points.

The Lady Rockets won the junior varsity game, 42-18. Katie Treese scored six for Glendale.

Glendale (1-3) is back in action Tuesday, traveling to Williamsburg.

Glendale—23

Boulton 1 1-4 3, Budzinski 3 0-0 7, B. Dick 0

0-0 0, C. Dick 0 0-0 0, K. Gates 2 2-5 6, M. Gates 0 0-0 0, J. Kovach 0 0-0 0, K. Kovach 0 0-0 0, Legrand 0 0-2 0, Noel 1 0-0 3, Strong 1 0-0 2, Treese 0 0-0 0, Twigg 1 0-2 2. Totals: 9 3-13 23.

Southern Huntingdon—73

Schmidt 7 7-11 21, Hershey 6 0-2 15, Speck 2 0-0 5, Shields 4 2-2 11, Smith 1 0-0 2, Hockenberry 2 0-0 5, Hall 1 2-4 4, Hummel 1 0-2 2, Shope 2 0-0 5, Gamble 1 0-1 3. Totals: 27 11-29 73.

Three-pointers: Budzinski, Noel; Hershey 3, Schmidt, Speck, Shields, Hockenberry, Shope, Gamble.

Score by Quarters

Glendale	9	3	8	3—23
Southern Huntingdon	23	10	17	23—73

## December 12, 2006: Glendale 26 at Williamsburg 66

### Glendale upended 66-26

WILLIAMSBURG — The Glendale girls basketball team fell to host Williamsburg, 66-26, Tuesday.

The Lady Vikings dropped to 1-4 overall and 0-3 in the JVL.

Tiffany Twigg scored 10 points to pace Glendale.

Twigg also led the jayvees with 12. Williamsburg won that game, 54-40.

Glendale plays host to Penns Valley Friday.

Glendale—26

Boulton 1 0-0 2, Budzinski 1 0-1 2, B. Dick

0 0-0 0, C. Dick 1 0-0 3, T. Dick 1 0-0 3, J. Kovach 0 0-0 0, K. Kovach 0 0-0 0, Legrand 0 0-0 0, Noel 0 2-2 2, Strong 0 0-0 0, Treese 0 0-0 0, Twigg 5 0-3 10. Totals: 11 2-6 26.

Williamsburg—66

Zimmerman 4 0-0 11, Peck 6 0-0 16, Wyland 5 4-5 15, A. Speacht 1 1-2 3, L. Speacht 1 0-0 2, Mingle 0 1-2 1, Rhule 3 1-2 7, Rhodes 2 1-2 5, Fay 1 1-1 3, Beckley 0 1-2 1, Harkley 0 0-2 0, Saylor 1 0-0 2, Hileman 0 0-0 0, Brumbaugh 0 0-0 0. Totals: 24 10-18 66.

Three-pointers: Zimmerman 3, Peck 4, Wyland.

Score by Quarters

Glendale	10	2	10	4—26
Williamsburg	25	8	22	11—66

## December 15, 2006: Penns Valley 64 at Glendale 14

### Penns Valley upends Lady Vikings

FLINTON — The Glendale girls basketball team was upended by visiting Penns Valley, 64-14, on Friday evening.

Tiffany Twigg had five points to lead the Lady Vikings.

Glendale dropped to 1-5 overall and 0-3 in the Juniata Valley League. The Lady Vikings travel to Curwensville on Monday.

Penns Valley won the jayvee game, 52-12.

Penns Valley—64

Henry 2 0-0 4, Cloninger 2 2-2 8, Myer 1 0-0

2, McCafree 4 3-3 13, Myers 1 0-0 2, Darr 1 2-4 4, Frantz 1 2-4 4, Stover 1 1-2 3, Lee 2 3-4 7, Levan 5 2-2 12, Andrews 1 0-0 2, Packer 0 1-2 1, Jordan 1 0-0 2. Totals: 22 16-23 64.

Glendale—14

B. Dick 0 0-0 0, C. Dick 0 0-0 0, T. Dick 1 0-0 3, K. Gates 0 0-0 0, M. Gates 0 0-0 0, J. Kovach 1 0-0 2, K. Kovach 1 0-2 2, Budzinski 0 0-0 0, Legrand 0 0-0 0, Noel 1 0-0 2, Strong 0 0-0 0, Treese 0 0-0 0, Twigg 2 1-4 5. Totals: 6 1-6 14.

Three-pointers: Cloninger 2, McCafree 2; T. Dick.

Score by Quarters

Penns Valley	15	19	15	15—64
Glendale	7	2	2	3—14



# December 18, 2006: Glendale 34 at Curwensville 52

By Josh Woods  
Sports Writer

**CURWENSVILLE** — The Curwensville girls basketball team gave its first-year head coach Vic Gearhart a solid defensive effort on Monday evening and a stranglehold on the Moshannon Valley League with a 52-34 win over Glendale at Patton Hall.

"I think everyone is starting to pick it up," said Gearhart. "We were a lot more aggressive throughout the game defensively, and we're starting to grasp some of the concepts that we've been talking about."

"They're starting to cover their areas, and starting to learn our defense and what we're trying to do with it."

Jackie White scored 15 points, Hannah Walls knocked down three three-pointers, and Danielle Struble provided a second-half lift, as the Lady Tide improved to 4-0 in the MVL.



White

"I think they all did a good job tonight," said Gearhart. "It was a team effort — nobody dominated the game. It was just one of those games where whoever had the open shot took it."

The Lady Vikings also spread the ball around effectively, and got baskets from four different players in the first quarter. Brittany Boulton provided a layup and a foul shot to put Glendale up 3-2, and Tiffany Twigg, Cate Dick and Tara Dick scored consecutive field goals late in the quarter after the Lady Vikings had fallen behind 10-4.

"In the first half we played well," said Glendale coach John Matchock. "That may have been the best we played all year."

"But there was a point, with

like five minutes, left when they got a turnover and five quick points, and from then on it was all downhill. We just had too many turnovers — that was the story of the game."

Tara Dick's shot came from behind the arc, her first of three three-pointers, to give Glendale the lead at 11-10, but was countered by Holly Lansberry who threw up a desperation three at the buzzer that went in.

"Tara stepped up, which is nice to see. She's been in a little bit of a shooting funk, but she stepped up and made some big shots," said Matchock.

The Lady Vikings also did a nice job of offensive rebounding in the half to keep the score close. Kristen Gates scored a pair of field goals in the second quarter, including one after an offensive board.

"I thought we had a height advantage on them, so we tried to pound the ball inside, which we did in the first half, but we kind of got away from that in the second half," said Matchock.

Walls provided the biggest three-pointers of the night, knocking one down late in the half to give the Lady Tide a 23-18 lead at halftime, and hitting another in the third to answer back-to-back Tara Dick threes.

"Hannah had some big threes. She hit one in the second half right after they hit one, and it looked like they could start creeping back in it, and she hit one to answer," said Gearhart. "She got banged around a couple of times, but she toughed it up and went right back at it."

Struble (10 points) got the second half off to a good start for the Lady Tide, entering the game and making an immediate impact. Glendale began the half with possession, but Struble quickly produced a steal and found an open White for a layup.

Struble went on to score eight

points in the third quarter, as Curwensville outscored Glendale 17-11 in the frame to take a 40-29 lead.

"That was a bonus to get Dani playing time at all," said Gearhart. "She came through her surgery (broken nose) really well and got clearance."

"She was really itching to get in, but until we really needed her we didn't want to put her out on the floor. She made a difference out there — she got us a quick steal to start the second half, and she gives you that kind of effort every time out there."

White put the game away in the fourth quarter with five points to cap a stellar night in which the Lady Tide senior made several key plays, including a reverse layup in the third.

"I think that was Jackie's best overall game," said Gearhart. "She had a lot of assists. She found people open, and she passed up a few shots to get the

ball to teammates. She stepped up tonight when we needed her."

Glendale won the junior varsity game, 37-27. Cate Dick led the Lady Vikings with 11 points, while Alesia Bressler was the leading scorer for Curwensville with 10.

Curwensville (4-1 overall, 4-0 MVL) hosts Clearfield on Wednesday. Glendale (1-6, 0-2) hosts West Branch today.

## Glendale—34

Boulton 1 3-3 5, Budzinski 1 1-2 3, C. Dick 2 0-0 5, Strong 1 0-0 2, Twigg 2 1-2 5, T. Dick 3 0-0 9, K. Gates 2 0-0 4, K. Kovach 0 0-0 0, Noel 0 1-2 1, Treese 0 0-0 0, B. Dick 0 0-0 0. Totals: 12 6-9 34.

## Curwensville—52

Walls 4 0-2 11, Lansberry 2 0-0 5, Fink 2 0-1 4, White 6 2-6 15, Knepp 1 1-2 3, Desmett 2 0-0 4, Struble 3 4-5 10. Totals: 20 7-16 52. Three-pointers: T. Dick 3, C. Dick; Walls 3, Lansberry, White.

## Score by Quarters

Glendale	11	7	11	5—34
Curwensville	13	10	17	12—52

# December 19, 2006: West Branch 59 at Glendale 25

By Josh Woods  
Sports Writer

**FLINTON** — The West Branch girls basketball team suffered through a three-win season in 2005-06, but prevented any chance of a repeat this season with a convincing 59-25 win over Glendale on Tuesday.

"Coming into the season, we talked about becoming a team and understanding that great teams work hard," said West Branch coach Doug Myers. "They have to practice hard every day and be the same player every day. They're excited ... thrilled to death to win their first home tip-off tournament of their career, and now to get this fourth win already this season.

With the win the Lady Warriors improved to 2-1 in the Moshannon Valley League, bringing that excitement sooner, rather than later.

Brianna Parks gave her team an early 3-0 lead with a three-pointer, her first of two in

Misty has really picked her game up," said Myers. "I've tried to tell her to be the same player everyday, box out hard, get as high as you can for rebounds, and the last couple games she's picked it up and we're real, real proud of her."

The Lady Vikings repeatedly broke West Branch's full-court press in the quarter, but did little to capitalize, missing shots and turning the ball over on offense.

"We work on the press a lot in practice, and we kind of figured they would be throwing the press at us," said Matchock. "We broke the press pretty easily, but once we got the ball down inside we didn't score any points.

"I thought we should have scored more points there than we did. We just didn't take advantage of our opportunities."

As play moved to the second quarter, the Lady Warriors began to free up Larson (14

finished the evening with a team-high nine points.

"She's been coming along. At the beginning of the season she started out slow because she had knee surgery, but she's really becoming a dominant force inside," said Matchock.

The Lady Warriors shook off the second-half rust, however, outscoring Glendale 18-2 in the fourth. Rebecca Kephart (12 points) led the charge with six points, and the West Branch defense held Glendale scoreless in the quarter until the 1:50 mark.

"For a freshman we realize she's going to make some mistakes, but we've been really patient with her. She works so hard at practice, so hard in the gym, and when you work hard it pays off as we saw tonight," said Myers.

In junior varsity action Glendale defeated West Branch 34-18. Brooke Legrand led the Lady Vikings with 10 points, while Kephart recorded 10 for



**Kephart**

the opening quarter, and Jolene Wesesky tacked on another to go up 6-2.

"We told the girls if we're going to get beat, we're going to get beat by everyone except Larson,"

said Glendale coach John Matchock. "Then Brianna came in and hit a couple of threes, and they were on fire early on. And on defense they caused us to have a lot of turnovers, so kudos to them."

Tara Dick answered on Glendale's next possession with a three to cut to lead to 6-5, but a strong finish to the quarter by Misty Modzel — two field goals and two rebounds — helped West Branch build a 15-9 lead at the end of one. Modzel finished the evening with 10 points and six rebounds.

"The last couple of games,



**Larson**

points, 8 rebounds), who posted three field goals and a pair of free throws for eight points to aid a 17-6 run.

Brittany Boulton managed a pair of field goals for Glendale, but

West Branch pulled ahead 32-15.

"They came out in a diamond and one and tried to stop Larson and keep her out of the game," said Myers. "We've preached all season about team, team, team, and the other kids came out and they hit some big shots, and once everyone else started scoring they couldn't key on her."

Glendale picked things up defensively in the third, holding West Branch to nine points, but managed just eight of its own. Kristen Gates tallied five points in the quarter for Glendale, and



**Modzel**

the Lady Warriors.

Both teams hit the road on Friday, as West Branch (4-5 overall, 2-1 MVL) travels to Moshannon Valley and Glendale (1-7, 0-3) to Juniata Valley.

## West Branch—59

Perks 3 0-0 8, Parks 2 1-2 7, Larson 6 2-2 14, Modzel 5 0-0 10, Wesesky 2 2-2 8, Kephart 4 4-10 12, Jarrett 0 0-0 0, Fassnacht 0 0-0 0. Totals: 22 9-16 59.

## Glendale—25

Budzinski 0 0-2 0, T. Dick 1 0-0 3, C. Dick 0 0-0 0, Twigg 1 0-2 2, Strong 1 0-0 2, K. Gates 4 1-2 9, Boulton 2 0-1 4, Treeße 0 1-2 1, K. Kovach 1 0-1 2, Noel 0 0-0 0, Legrand 1 0-0 2, M. Gates 0 0-0 0, B. Dick 0 0-0 0. Totals: 11 2-10 25.

Three-pointers: Perks 2, Parks 2, Wesesky 2; T. Dick.

## Score by Quarters

West Branch	15	17	9	18—59
Glendale	9	6	8	2—25



December 22, 2006: Glendale 18 at Juniata Valley 58

## Lady Vikings fall to JV

ALEXANDRIA — The Glendale girls basketball team fell to Juniata Valley on Friday evening, 58-18.

Samantha Noel and Katie Treese each had five points to pace the Lady Vikings.

Glendale dropped to 1-8 overall and 0-6 in the Juniata Valley League. The Lady Vikings travel to Moshannon Valley on Thursday.

Juniata Valley also won the jayvee game, 51-36. Noel had nine points for Glendale.

### Glendale—18

Budzinski 1 2-4 4, B. Dick 1 0-0 2, C. Dick 0 0-0 0, K. Gates 0 0-2 0, M. Gates 0 0-0 0, J. Kovach 0 0-0 0, K. Kovach 0 0-2 0, Legrand 1 0-0 2, Noel 2 0-0 5, Strong 0 0-0 0, Treese 2 1-4 5, Twigg 0 0-0 0. Totals: 7 3-12 18.

### Juniata Valley—58

Keller 2 0-0 4, Borst 3 2-2 10, Gildea 7 2-6 16, Reed 8 6-8 22, Boyd 1 0-0 2, Morgan 0 0-0 0, McAllister 1 0-0 2, Stallman 1 0-0 2. Totals: 23 10-16 58.

Three-pointers: Noel; Borst 2.

### Score by Quarters

Glendale	8	4	2	4—18
Juniata Valley	18	13	21	6—58

## December 22, 2006: Glendale 18 at Juniata Valley 58

By Jon Christoff  
Sports Writer

AMESVILLE — The first time the Moshannon Valley girls basketball team faced rival Glendale, the Damsels used a big first quarter and held off the Lady Vikings for the win.

Thursday night's matchup at Monte Close Gymnasium was almost a mirror image of the first game, as Mo Valley's 19-point first quarter gave it a comfortable lead it wouldn't relinquish.

The Damsels defeated Glendale, 43-34, despite shooting 15-of-34 from the foul line.

"I thought we got out to a fantastic first-quarter start, offensively," said Mo Valley head coach Tom Tomasko. "We got some nice looks and knocked the shots down. After that, we didn't look real smooth on offense, and, obviously, we were horrendous at the foul line."

Amy Tomasko gave Mo Valley the lead from the onset, and it



Tomasko

was a lead the Damsels didn't lose. Tomasko knocked down three base-line jump shots in the quarter, while Shannon Greslick netted all eight of her points in the stanza.

Glendale's Katee Budzinski and Samantha Noel connected on three-pointers, but the Lady Vikings trailed by 10 after the first, 19-9.

"It was the same thing we had the first time — we got down early," Glendale coach John Matchock said. "Mo Valley's a good team, but I thought we hung right with them. We just dug ourselves too big of a hole."

Mo Valley connected on eight field goals in the first quarter, but struggled offensively from that point on.

Tomasko hit a jumper for the

Damsels, while Kierstin Elder knocked down a three for the only two field goals for Mo Valley in the second quarter.

The Damsels outscored Glendale 8-6 in the second and held a 27-15 lead at halftime.

"We kind of went into our second-quarter lull, offensively, and it seemed like we started fouling a little bit too much," said Tomasko. "The foul shots in the first half kept them within striking distance."

Brittany Boulton hit all four of her foul shots attempted in the second, while Kristen Gates and Budzinski accounted for the other two Lady Vikings points — both from the charity stripe.

Boulton finished 6-for-6 from the line and finished with a game-high 12 points, and added nine rebounds to her credit.

"We practiced yesterday and we told them today that we had to get the ball inside," said Matchock. "We had the height

advantage on them, and we tried to preach to them to get it inside. Mo Valley is small, but they're scrappy. They got a lot of rebounds themselves. I thought we could've rebounded better."

The offensive woes continued for Mo Valley in the third, as Elder's bucket at the 1:25 mark was the only field goal of the quarter for the Damsels.

While Mo Valley was struggling to connect from the field, the Lady Vikings were unable to make up much ground.

Boulton and Budzinski had hoops for Glendale, while Tara Dick made a three-pointer, but despite outscoring Mo Valley, the Lady Vikings trailed by 11 heading into the fourth.

"It just seems that, when we get down, we give up in my opinion," Matchock said. "Mo Valley came out on fire, but you've got to buckle down because it's a long game. It seemed like it was 10 or 11 the whole night."

With less than two minutes to play, trailing 37-28, Glendale was able to make a run.

Boulton connected on a layup in front of a steal and layup from Noel, as the Lady Vikings trailed by just five.

"She came out and played hard," said Matchock of Noel. "She hit a big three, came up with a big steal and cut it down to five. We just couldn't get it any closer."

Mo Valley responded, however, as Staci Godin knocked down a pair of foul shots and Jordan Cook completed a three-point play to extend the Damsel lead back to double digits with 43 seconds showing on the clock.

Elder added a foul shot and Boulton netted her final field goal to set the final.

"I think we did what we had to do to win," Tomasko said. "I don't think there was any over-confidence because it's a rivalry game. The kids knew they had to win it if they wanted to stay in contention for anything down the road."

Mo Valley improved to 4-5 overall, 3-2 in the Moshannon Valley League and 3-4 in the Juniata Valley League. Glendale dropped to 1-9, 0-4 and 0-7.

The Damsels return to action Wednesday when they travel to Penns Valley, while the Lady Vikings host Bellwood-Antis on the same night.

### Glendale—34

Budzinski 2 1-2 6, T. Dick 1 0-0 3, K. Gates 0 2-8 2, Noel 3 0-1 8, Twigg 0 0-0 0, Strong 0 0-0 0, K. Kovach 0 0-0 0, Treese 0 0-0 0, Boulton 3 6-6 12, C. Dick 1 0-0 3, B. Dick 0 0-0 0, M. Gates 0 0-0 0, Legrand 0 0-0 0, J. Kovach 0 0-0 0. Totals: 10 9-17 34.

### Moshannon Valley—43

Godin 1 4-6 7, Tomasko 4 3-6 11, Cook 1 3-5 5, Greslick 3 2-4 8, Rowley 1 1-5 3, Elder 3 2-8 9, Murarik 0 0-0 0, Charney 0 0-0 0. Totals: 13 15-34 43.

Three-pointers: Noel 2, Budzinski, T. Dick, C. Dick; Godin, Elder.

### Score by Quarters

Glendale	9	6	7	12—34
Mo Valley	19	8	6	10—43



## January 3, 2007: Bellwood 47 at Glendale 34

### Glendale defeated by BA

FLINTON — The Glendale girls basketball team dropped a 47-34 decision to visiting Bellwood-Antis on Wednesday night.

The Lady Vikings were led by nine points from Kristen Gates, while Tara Dick chipped in with eight.

Glendale is 1-10 on the season and 0-8 in the Juniata Valley League.

The Lady Vikings travel to Claysburg-Kimmel on Friday.

Glendale fell in the jayvee game, 26-23. Katie Treese netted

10 points in the loss.

#### Bellwood-Antis—47

Ingram 1 0-0 3, Webb 5 4-6 15, Young 0 0-0 0, Lombardo 1 2-2 4, Lechner 1 2-3 4, Lander 1 2-4 4, Derr 0 0-0 0, Hunter 2 1-2 5, Erickson 3 6-10 12. Totals: 14 17-29 47.

#### Glendale—34

Boulton 1 1-2 3, Budzinski 1 0-0 2, C. Dick 1 0-0 2, T. Dick 3 2-4 8, K. Gates 4 1-4 9, M. Gates 0 0-0 0, K. Kovach 1 0-0 2, Legrand 0 0-0 0, Noel 1 0-0 2, Strong 1 0-2 2, Treese 0 0-0 0, Twigg 1 2-4 4. Totals: 14 6-16 34.

Three-pointers: Ingram, Webb.

#### Score by Quarters

Bellwood-Antis	13	10	10	14—47
Glendale	3	10	5	16—34

## January 5, 2007: Glendale 21 at Claysburg 70

### Lady Vikings collared by Claysburg

CLAYSBURG — The Glendale girls basketball team fell to Claysburg-Kimmel, 70-21, on the road Friday evening.

Kim Kovach paced the Lady Vikings with six points.

Glendale fell to 1-11 overall. The Lady Vikings host Mount Union on Monday.

In junior varsity action, Glendale won 50-21. Katie Treese had 11 points for the Lady Vikings.

0 0-0 0, C. Dick 0 0-0 0, T. Dick 0 0-0 0, K. Gates 1 0-0 2, M. Gates 0 0-0 0, J. Kovach 0 0-0 0, K. Kovach 2 2-2 6, Legrand 0 0-0 0, Noel 2 0-0 4, Strong 1 0-0 2, Treese 0 0-0 0, Twigg 0 0-0 0. Totals: 9 3-4 21.

#### Claysburg-Kimmel—70

L. Claar 6 6-8 18, Leslie 9 2-2 22, Iachini 3 2-2 9, A. Claar 3 3-4 9, Luciano 0 2-2 2, Burket 2 0-0 4, Gerheim 0 0-0 0, C. Claar 0 4-5 4, Meissner 1 0-0 2. Totals: 24 19-23 70.

Three-pointers: Leslie 2, Iachini.

#### Score by Quarters

Glendale	4	8	6	3—21
Claysburg-Kimmel	22	9	18	21—70

#### Glendale—21

Boulton 1 1-2 3, Budzinski 2 0-0 4, B. Dick

## January 8, 2007: Mt. Union 54 at Glendale 38

FLINTON — The Glendale girls basketball team lost to visiting Mount Union, 54-38, Monday night.

Cate Dick and Tiffany Twigg paced the Lady Vikings with nine points each.

Glendale won the jayvee contest, 29-20. Whitney Strong scored six in the victory.

Glendale hosts Southern Huntingdon on Monday.

0-0 2, Kurtz 9 1-2 20, Woods 5 0-1 15, Inch 0 0-0 0, Courson 1 0-0 2, House 2 1-1 5. Totals: 21 6-12 54.

#### Glendale—38

Boulton 1 1-2 3, Budzinski 1 0-0 2, C. Dick 3 0-0 9, T. Dick 0 0-0 0, K. Gates 1 2-2 4, M. Gates 0 0-0 0, K. Kovach 0 1-2 1, Legrand 0 0-0 0, Noel 3 0-0 8, Strong 0 0-2 0, Treese 1 0-0 2, Twigg 4 1-2 9. Totals: 14 5-10 38.

Three-pointers: Woods 5, Kurtz; C. Dick 3, Noel 2.

#### Score by Quarters

Mount Union	14	18	5	17—54
Glendale	9	1	10	18—38

#### Mount Union—54

Stewart 2 3-6 7, Athenton 1 1-2 3, Walters 1

## January 3, 2007: Bellwood 47 at Glendale 34

By Jon Christoff  
Sports Writer

**WESTOVER** — Last season, the Glendale girls basketball team ran the table to win the Moshannon Valley League title and, during the season, the Lady Vikings handled Harmony on two occasions.

The Lady Owls were a young team, however, and returned all but one player from last season and turned the tables on Glendale Tuesday night.

Harmony used a 9-2 run to end the first half, which opened up a close game, and never looked back. The Lady Owls topped the Lady Vikings 53-38.

"Last year was my first year at Harmony, and they really put it to us twice," said Lady Owl head coach Chris Priester with a laugh. "It feels good to get a win against them because they came out and played well. They had a good game plan, and it worked very well for them."

Neither team was able to get much offense going in the first quarter and battled to a 7-all tie after the frame.

Harmony was able to build a 15-9 lead with just under five minutes left in the half before Glendale pulled to within two on field goals from Brooke Legrand and Katee Budzinski.

After that, it was all Lady Owls until halftime.

Kierstyn Kruse made a layup in front of a pair of foul shots from Alyson Leyo. Christine Harkleroad's basket put Harmony up 21-13, but the Lady Owls weren't done there.

Using a full-court press, Harmony came up with a steal on the inbound play after the Harkleroad field goal. Leyo made the basket and was fouled in the process, and connected on the foul shot to make it 24-13.

"We were pressing them the whole half, and I think it got to them just a little bit," Priester said. "They handled it pretty well, but we were able to get some turnovers and convert those into baskets."

Budzinski ended the run with the final hoop of the half and Glendale trailed 24-15 at the break.

Budzinski led all scorers with 14 points, including going a perfect 8-for-8 from the foul line during the fourth quarter.

Tiffany Twigg added 10 points and 14 rebounds for the Lady Vikings.

"I imagine we had more rebounds, but we didn't get the rebounds at the key times," said Glendale head coach John Matchock. "There were a couple of times where Harmony was able to get offensive rebounds and put it right back in. We're a fairly decent sized team, and we can't give other teams second and third opportunities."

The two teams traded buckets for a majority of the third quarter before Harmony scored the final four points of the frame to take a 32-21 lead into the fourth.

In the fourth, neither offense had any trouble generating points. The teams combined to score 38 points in the final stanza.

"It was a close game throughout, and the last couple of min-

utes we got some breakaway opportunities and scored some layups," Priester said. "I think that was the difference in the game. Other than that it was neck-and-neck because Coach Matchock had his girls ready to play."

Harkleroad opened the scoring for Harmony, but the Lady Owls went two minutes without a basket as Glendale was able to narrow the gap.

Budzinski netted four foul shots, while Twigg added a bucket to make it a 34-27 game.

Harmony got a bucket from Megan Brink, who spent most of the night in foul trouble, before Whitney Strong knocked down a three-pointer for the Lady Vikings.

The trey brought Glendale to within six, but it was unable to get any closer.

"We always play a strong second half, and that's what we wanted to do," said Matchock. "We did a little bit, but it goes back to all of our other games — we dig ourselves a hole, but it's so hard to dig yourself out

because you're battling uphill the whole time."

Sammy Gallaher paced Harmony in the fourth with eight of her 10 points, while Kruse and Brink each added multiple field goals. Kruse finished with a team-high 12 points, while Brink scored 10 before fouling out with 2:07 left in the game.

"I'm very pleased with (the balanced scoring) and I think the girls are pleased with it because some other girls got double figures," Priester said. "We had Megan out a large part of the second half, and she's one of our scorers that we like to go to. We had Christine Harkleroad come in and score a couple of baskets for us, and I think her, and Megan Wholaver, did well coming in for us in a backup role."

In all, Harmony had four girls notch double digits. Leyo was the fourth player, netting 11.

The Lady Owls improved to 6-10 overall and 1-4 in the MVL, while the Lady Vikings dropped to 1-14 and 0-5.

Harmony hosts Brockway on Friday, while Glendale hosts Williamsburg on Thursday.

The Lady Vikings won the jayvee game, 45-28, behind 12 points from Legrand and 11 from Kim Kovach. Harkleroad led the Lady Owls with nine.

### Glendale—38

Budzinski 3 8-11 14, C. Dick 1 1-2 3, Twigg 5 0-0 10, Noel 1 1-2 4, Strong 2 0-2 5, K. Kovach 0 0-0 0, Boulton 0 0-0 0, K. Gates 0 0-0 0, Legrand 1 0-0 2, Treese 0 0-0 0. Totals: 13 10-17 38.

### Harmony—53

Brink 4 2-3 10, Kruse 5 2-11 12, A. Leyo 4 3-3 11, E. Leyo 3 0-2 6, Gallaher 5 0-0 10, Harkleroad 2 0-0 4, Wholaver 0 0-0 0, Clark 0 0-0 0, Nevlins 0 0-0 0, L. Coble 0 0-0 0, Fox 0 0-0 0, K. Coble 0 0-0 0. Totals: 23 7-19 53.

Three-pointers: Noel, Strong.

### Score by Quarters

Glendale	7	8	6	17—38
Harmony	7	17	8	21—53



## January 18, 2007: Williamsburg 57 at Glendale 43

FLINTON — The Glendale girls basketball team dropped a 57-43 decision to visiting Williamsburg on Thursday evening.

Tiffany Twigg (15) and Samantha Noel (13) scored in double digits for the Lady Vikings.

Glendale fell to 1-15 overall and 0-12 in the Juniata Valley League. Williamsburg improved to 7-4 in the JVL.

The Lady Pirates won the junior varsity game, 30-20. Kim Kovach scored five for Glendale.

The Lady Vikings return to action Tuesday at Penns Valley.

### Williamsburg—57

Zimmerman 4 5-6 16, Peck 5 2-5 14, Wyland 3 2-6 9, A. Speacht 3 0-1 6, Mingle 1 1-2 4, Rhule 1 0-0 2, Fay 0 0-0 0, L. Speacht 1 0-0 2, Harker 1 0-0 2, Hileman 1 0-0 2, Becker 0 0-0 0. Totals: 20 10-20 57.

### Glendale—43

Boulton 1 1-2 3, Budzinski 1 1-3 3, C. Dick 1 1-2 5, T. Dick 0 2-2 2, Gates 0 0-0 0, Kovach 0 0-0 0, LeGrand 0 0-0 0, Noel 4 2-2 13, Strong 1 0-0 2, Treese 0 0-0 0, Twigg 7 1-1 15. Totals: 15 9-12 43.

Three-pointers: Zimmerman 3, Peck 2, Wyland, Mingle; Noel 3, C. Dick.

### Score by Quarters

Williamsburg	10	23	11	13—57
Glendale	7	11	12	13—43

## January 23, 2007: Glendale 26 at Penns Valley 58

SPRING MILLS — The Glendale girls basketball team dropped a 68-26 decision at Penns Valley on Tuesday evening.

The Lady Vikings were led by Samantha Noel's game-high 17 points. Noel connected on five three-pointers in the contest.

Glendale is 1-16 overall and 0-12 in the Juniata Valley League, and travels to West Branch on Thursday.

The Lady Vikings dropped the jayvee game, 56-20. Brianna Dick and Katie Treese each scored seven for Glendale.

### Glendale—26

Boulton 0 0-0 0, Budzinski 0 0-0 0, Cherish 0 0-0 0, B. Dick 0 0-0 0, C. Dick 0 0-0 0, T. Dick 0 0-0 0, K. Gates 1 0-0 2, M. Gates 0 0-0 0, J. Kovach 0 0-0 0, K. Kovach 1 0-0 2, LeGrand 0 0-0 0, Noel 6 0-2 17, Strong 0 1-4 1, Treese 1 0-0 2, Twigg 1 0-0 2. Totals: 10 1-6 26.

### Penns Valley—68

Collinger 2 0-0 5, Myer 2 2-2 6, McCaffrey 3 0-0 8, Myers 2 0-4 5, Darr 3 2-2 9, France 2 0-0 4, Stover 0 5-6 5, Lee 2 2-2 6, LeVan 4 4-7 13, Packer 1 0-0 2, Paolini 0 0-0 0, Andrews 0 0-0 0, Jordan 2 0-0 5. Totals: 23-15-23 68.

Three-pointers: Noel 5; McCaffrey 2, Collinger, Myers, Darr, LeVan, Jordan.

### Score by Quarters

Glendale	6	6	9	5—26
Penns Valley	19	18	13	18—68

# January 18, 2007: Williamsburg 57 at Glendale 43

By Jaclyn Yingling  
Sports Editor

ALLPORT — The West Branch girls got back on track after a tough loss on Monday, topping visiting Glendale, 44-29, on Thursday evening in Allport.

The Lady Warriors duo of Rebecca Kephart and Kari Larson had for 12 and 11 points, respectively, helping to lead West Branch to its eighth win of the season.

"We knew that they (Glendale) liked to shoot outside," said Lady Warriors coach Doug Myers. "They were quick to hit some three-pointers against some teams, so we really stressed that before the game. When we play our zone, we want to be in rebound position and box out really well. I thought the girls did a really good job."

West Branch put the pressure on Glendale early, pressing and aggressively rebounding. The Lady Warriors, who forced 35 Lady Vikings turnovers, held a 13-4 lead after the first quarter.

Misty Modzel had four of West Branch's points in the frame, as did Larson.

"Plain and simple, we did not box out tonight," said Glendale head coach John Matchock. "We have a height advantage on them, but we just didn't box out. We didn't get rebounds underneath offensively. We can't finish. They are making the same mistakes in Game 18 that they made in Game 1. You can't do that. You should learn from your mistakes, but we aren't."

The Lady Warriors increased their lead to start the second quarter, going on a 6-0 run before the Lady Vikings' Brittany Boulton hit a putback basket. Boulton and teammate Tiffany Twigg each had seven points in the game to pace Glendale.

West Branch rattled off two more baskets thanks to Kristin Perks and Modzel, giving the Lady Warriors 22-7 advantage.

Despite forcing a handful of turnovers before halftime, the Lady Vikings managed just four points the rest of the way, giving the Lady Warriors a 28-13 half-time advantage.

"I'm not taking anything away from West Branch," Matchock said. "They hounded us. The mistakes we made were bad passes. Kudos to West Branch. They played great."

"We practiced. We knew what they were going to do. We knew they were going to press, and we knew that they were going to play zone. We went over everything, our passing just wasn't there tonight."

While Glendale struggled to stop West Branch offensively, the Lady Warriors continued to ratchet up their defense as well.

West Branch's Brianna Parks had four steals in the game, including one that led to a break-away layup in the second half.

"She is a real aggressive player," Myers said of Parks. "She does everything you ask her. She loves to play defense. If you really like to do it, you are usually pretty good at it."

The Lady Vikings took advantage of some sloppy fourth-quarter play by West Branch, outscoring the Lady Warriors, 9-8, in the frame to set the final at 44-29.

Kephart and Perks had eight rebounds to lead all players, while Twigg had six rebounds for Glendale.

"Rebecca is in a really tough spot because she has to play the jayvee games," Myers said. "I think that wears her out a little bit. She comes in as the sixth player, and that's really important for our team. She gives the starters a break, and she plays really well for us."

Every West Branch starter scored at least four points in the game, something Myers was pleased to see.

"That was great," he said. "That is something we always talk about in practice, having balanced scoring. If all of our girls have four or more points in a game, we should be doing well."

The Lady Warriors improved to 8-10 overall, 4-1 in the Moshannon Valley League and 6-8 in the Juniata Valley League.

Glendale fell to 1-17 overall, 0-6 in the MVL and 0-14 in the JVL.

In junior varsity action, the Lady Warriors toppled the Lady Vikings, 17-14. Kephart led West Branch with 11 points, while Michelle Gates and Brianna Dick each had four points for

Glendale.

## Glendale—29

Boulton 3 1-2 7, Budzinski 1 0-0 2, C. Dick 1 0-0 3, T. Dick 0 0-0 0, K. Gates 1 0-0 3, K. Kovach 0 0-0 0, Noel 1 0-2 3, Strong 1 0-4 2, Treese 1 0-1 2, Twigg 2 3-4 7. Totals: 11 4-12 29.

## West Branch—44

Perks 1 2-6 4, Parks 3 0-1-6, Larson 4 3-8 11, Wesesky 2 1-2 5, Kephart 4 4-8 12, Modzel 3 0-0 6, Jarrett 0 0-0 0, Fassnacht 0 0-0 0, Miles 0 0-0 0. Totals: 17 10-25 44.

Three-pointers: C. Dick, K. Gates, Noel.

## Score by Quarters

Glendale	4	9	7	9—29
West Branch	13	15	8	8—44



## January 29, 2007: Juniata Valley 63 at Glendale 29

FLINTON — The Glendale girls basketball team fell to visiting Juniata Valley, 63-29, on Monday evening.

Tiffany Twigg's 12 points led the Lady Vikings.

Glendale fell to 1-18 overall and 0-15 in the Juniata Valley League.

The Lady Vikings won the jayvee game, 31-29, behind Whitney Strong's eight points.

Glendale returns to action Thursday when it travels to Bellwood-Antis.

### Juniata Valley—63

Keller 4 0-0 8, Borst 7 1-2 16, Gildea 3 6-6 12, Reed 7 5-6 19, Boyd 0 1-4 1, Morgan 0 0-1 0, McAllister 0 1-2 1, Taylor 1 0-2 2, Briggs 0 0-0 0, Stallman 0 0-0 0, Brennenman 1 0-0 2, Corn 1 0-0 2. Totals: 24 14-23 63.

### Glendale—29

Boulton 0 1-2 1, Budzinski 1 1-2 3, Cherish 0 0-0 0, B. Dick 0 0-0 0, C. Dick 1 1-2 4, T. Dick 1 0-0 3, K. Gates 2 0-0 4, M. Gates 0 0-0 0, J. Kovach 0 0-0 0, K. Kovach 0 0-0 0, Legrand 0 0-0 0, Noel 0 0-0 0, Strong 0 0-0 0, Treese 0 2-2 2, Twigg 5 2-4 12. Totals: 10 7-12 29.

### Score by Quarters

Juniata Valley	13	17	20	13—63
Glendale	3	10	11	5—29

## February 1, 2007: Glendale 41 at Bellwood 51

BELLWOOD — Glendale was topped by Bellwood-Antis, 51-41, in girls basketball action on Thursday evening.

Tiffany Twigg had 11 points to pace the Lady Vikings. Katee Budzinski and Samantha Noel chipped in with 10 points apiece.

Glendale dropped to 1-19 overall and 0-16 in the Juniata Valley League. The Lady Vikings host Claysburg-Kimmel on Tuesday.

In the junior varsity game, the Lady Blue Devils won, 34-27. Kristen Gates and Katie Treese each had six points for Glendale.

### Glendale—41

Boulton 0 3-4 3, Budzinski 5 0-1 10, T. Dick 2 0-0 5, K. Gates 0 0-0 0, K. Kovach 0 1-2 1, Legrand 0 1-3 1, Noel 3 3-4 10, Strong 0 0-0 0, Treese 0 0-1 0, Twigg 4 3-5 11. Totals: 14 11-20 41.

### Bellwood-Antis—51

Nevling 0 0-2 0, Ingram 0 2-2 2, Webb 1 1-2 3, Young 0 0-0 0, Lombardo 3 2-6 8, Lechner 2 0-0 6, Lender 0 0-0 0, Hunter 7 6-9 20, Erikson 4 4-6 12, Jones 0 0-0 0, Hippo 0 0-0 0. Totals: 17 15-27 51.

Three-pointers: T. Dick, Noel; Lechner 2.

### Score by Quarters

Glendale	13	5	9	12—41
Bellwood-Antis	6	20	13	12—51

## February 7, 2007: Claysburg 63 at Glendale 9 Glendale toppled by CK

FLINTON — The Glendale girls basketball team fell to Claysburg-Kimmel on Tuesday, 63-9, in Juniata Valley League action.

Tiffany Twigg led the Lady Vikings with four points.

With the loss Glendale fell to 1-20 overall on the season.

The Lady Vikes defeated the Lady Bulldogs in the junior varsity game, 35-28.

Kristen Gates was the high-scorer for Glendale with 13 points, while Brooke Legrand recorded 11.

### Claysburg-Kimmel—63

L. Claar 6 0-0 13, Leslie 6 0-0 14, Iachini 0 5-6 5, A. Claar 2 0-0 4, Luciano 5 2-2 14, Burkett 3 1-2 7, Gerheim 0 0-0 0, C. Claar 3 0-0 6. Totals: 25 8-10 63.

### Glendale—9

Boulton 0 0-0 0, Budzinski 1 0-2 2, Cherish 0 0-0 0, B. Dick 0 0-0 0, T. Dick 0 0-2 0, K. Gates 0 0-0 0, M. Gates 0 0-0 0, J. Kovach 0 0-0 0, K. Kovach 1 0-0 2, Legrand 0 0-0 0, Noel 0 1-2 1, Strong 0 0-0 0, Treese 0 0-0 0, Twigg 2 0-0 4. Totals: 4 1-6 9.

Three-pointers: Leslie 2, Luciano 2, L. Claar.

### Score by Quarters

Claysburg-Kimmel	23	24	4	12—63
Glendale	7	2	0	0—9

February 9, 2007: Glendale 37 at Mt. Union 49

## Glendale defeated by MU

**MOUNT UNION** — The Glendale girls basketball team fell to Mount Union on Friday evening, 49-37.

Brooke Legrand led the Lady Vikings with eight points.

Glendale fell to 1-21 overall and 0-18 in the Juniata Valley League.

The Lady Vikings host Harmony on Monday evening.

In jayvee action, Glendale defeated Mount Union.

### Glendale—37

Boulton 0 4-4 4, Budzinski 2 0-0 5, K. Gates 1 0-2 2, C. Dick 0 0-0 0, T. Dick 0 0-0 0, Legrand 4 0-2 8, Noel 2 3-4 7, Strong 1 2-4 4, Twigg 3 1-4 7. Totals: 13 10-20 37.

### Mount Union—49

Stewart 2 3-4 7, Atherton 1 0-0 2, Walters 7 2-2 16, Kurtz 5 6-7 19, Woods 1 0-0 3, Inch 0 2-4 2, House 0 0-0 0. Totals: 16 13-17 49.

Three-pointers: Budzinski; Kurtz 3, Woods.

### Score by Quarters

Glendale	5	14	9	9—37
Mount Union	20	7	9	13—49



# February 12, 2007: Harmony 58 at Glendale 38

By Jaelyn Yingling  
Sports Editor

**FLINTON** — When basketball teams play in close games with rivals, coaches often look to their leaders to step up.

Harmony head coach Chris Priester issued a challenge to his leaders in the locker room on Monday, as his Lady Owls led Glendale just 18-15 at the half.

The challenge worked, as Harmony went on to outscore the Lady Vikings, 40-23, in the second half en route to a 58-38 victory.

"I expected we would have a slow start after already having played three games in a row," he said. "We got the girls together at halftime and defensively, we really started to cut them down in the second half. We got some turnovers and some baskets off of that.

"We got some fast break and transition baskets after some rebounds, which is what we needed. We had to be faster, because we could not battle with them on the boards."

The Lady Owls' Alyson Leyo led all scorers, tallying 19 points, 15 of which came in the second half. Leyo also led all players with 13 rebounds.

"She is strong on the boards



A. Leyo

for us," Priester said of Leyo. "She goes after it hard. You can't ask anything more from her."

"We tried to stick to our zone to contain her," Glendale head coach John Matchock said of

Leyo. "We didn't want to play them man-to-man because they are a lot quicker than us. We still stuck with the zone, but Leyo kept penetrating. We told the girls that would happen, that she would drive to the basket.

"That's how they score a lot of their points — from underneath the bucket," he continued. "She just drove, and our girls just didn't step up to stop her. There's nothing you can do when she is making her layups."

Teammates Kierstyn Kruike and Megan Brink chipped in with 14 and 13 points, respectively, while Sam Gallaher added nine points in the victory.

"We had balanced scoring," Priester said. "I thought we came down the court a lot of times and had some girls standing wide open under the basket. We did a good job recognizing

that those people were open."

Glendale led early, taking a 5-0 lead after a three-pointer from Catie Dick and a bucket from Tiffany Twigg. The Lady Vikings held the lead until late in the first quarter until Alyson Leyo and Brink added two hoops to give the Lady Owls a 12-8 advantage.

"We knew we were bigger than them, and we got some rebounds underneath, especially on the offensive side," said Matchock. "We just couldn't finish tonight. When you can't finish two or three times and they get the rebounds, it kind of deflates you and you lose that momentum. The mistakes we did make, Harmony came right back down and capitalized on them."

Glendale retook the lead in the second quarter, but two foul shots from Gallaher and a layup by Kruike, gave Harmony back the lead heading into the half.

The Lady Vikings looked to have momentum coming out of the locker room, as Samantha Noel dropped in a bucket on the opening inbounds pass. Gallaher added a bucket between another Noel hoop, cutting the Harmony lead to 20-19.

But the Lady Owls fought back, going on a 6-0 run to extend their lead to 26-19. Alyson Leyo had five of the points. Harmony finished up the frame with a 11-0 run to take a 39-24 lead into the final quarter.

The Lady Owls continued their run into the fourth quarter, as Kruike, Gallaher, Alyson Leyo and Brink each added buckets to put Harmony up 47-24.

"Kierstyn did a great job tonight," Priester said. "She had a lot of steals and some easy layups. She was able to get a lot of transition baskets for us. She distributed the ball very nicely, too."

Glendale finally got on the scoreboard with 5:24 left to play when Kristen Gates hit a jumper. Brooke Legrand added a bucket off a Harmony turnover, but it was quickly answered by a Brink basket.

The last half of the first quarter saw both teams taking advantage of sloppy play on the court. The Lady Vikings scored seven points off turnovers in the final three minutes, while Harmony converted on three Glendale turnovers late in the game.

"It's kind of like a mirror image," said Matchock. "We are two aggressive teams. Both teams played extremely hard. I



Kruike

Harmony is a little bit quicker than what we are.

"We just didn't take care of the ball tonight," Matchock continued. "We had a lot of turnovers and they capitalized on them. You have to give credit to them too, because Harmony played some really good defense."

A Kristen Gates bucket set the final at 58-38. Gates finished the night with seven points, while Noel paced the Lady Vikings with 13 points.

"They have come a long way since the beginning of the season," said Priester. "Earlier in the season, when we had close games, we were always coming up a point or two short. Now, they are getting more mature on how they run the offense and how they play on defense. They know what we need to do."

Harmony improved to 12-12 overall and 4-4 in the Moshannon Valley League. The Lady Owls returns to action in the District 6 Class A playoffs on Tuesday night at Central Cambria High School. Harmony will face Ferndale in the first round.

Glendale fell to 1-22 overall and 0-7 in the MVL. The Lady Vikings end their season on Thursday evening when they host Curwensville.

The junior varsity game was won by Glendale, 41-12. Kristen Gates paced the Lady Vikings with 12 points, while Christine Harkleroad led the Lady Owls with five points.

## Harmony—58

Brink 5 2-3 13, A. Leyo 8 3-5 19, Kruike 5 4-5 14, E. Leyo 0 0-2 0, Gallaher 3 3-6 9, Harkleroad 0 0-0 0, Wholaver 1 0-0 2, Clark 0 0-0 0, Nevling 0 0-0 0, L. Coble 0 1-2 1, Fox 0 0-0 0. Totals: 22 13-23 58.

## Glendale—38

Boulton 1 0-2 2, Budzinski 2 0-2 4, Cherish 0 0-0 0, B. Dick 0 0-0 0, C. Dick 1 0-0 3, T. Dick 0 0-1 0, K. Gates 3 0-2 7, M. Gates 0 0-0 0, J. Kovach 0 0-0 0, K. Kovach 0 0-0 0, Legrand 1 0-0 2, Noel 5 1-4 13, Strong 1 0-0 2, Treese 0 0-0 0, Twigg 2 1-2 5. Totals: 16 2-13 38.

Three-pointers: Brink; Noel 2, C. Dick, K. Gates.

## Score by Quarters

Harmony	12	6	21	19—58
Glendale	8	7	9	14—38

## February 16, 2007: Glendale 33 at Curwensville 56

### Lady Tide top Glendale

FLINTON — The Curwensville girls basketball team traveled to Glendale for its final Moshannon Valley League contest on Friday, and defeated the Lady Vikings on their senior night, 56-33. With the win Curwensville finished with a perfect 8-0 mark in MVL play.

"It took us awhile to get going because we haven't played for almost a week," said Curwensville coach Vic Gearhart. "Ideally you don't want to play a game the day before the league championship, but I thought we needed a game to get back into game shape.

"It was good to just get back out on the floor and play some basketball."

Seniors Brittany Boulton, Katee Budzinski, Tara Dick, Kim Kovach and Kristen Gates participated in their final game for the Lady Vikings, who trailed just 24-20 early in the third quarter before faltering down the stretch.

Danielle Struble led the Lady Tide with a game-high 28 points, while Jackie White chipped in with nine.

Gates was the leading-scorer for Glendale with 12 points.

"Our team played hard, especially our seniors," said Glendale coach John Matchock. "I was hoping for a little bit better result, but they held true even though we only won one game this season.

"I wish Curwensville good luck in the playoffs."

Curwensville (19-4 overall) travels to the DuBois Middle School today for the Allegheny Mountain League Championship with Elk County Catholic. Glendale finished its season at 1-23.

#### Curwensville—56

Struble 10 6-8 28, Walls 3 0-0 7, Knepp 1 0-0 2, Fink 2 0-0 4, White 3 3-4 9, Lansberry 0 0-0 0, Hamm 2 0-0 4, Bressler 1 0-0 2. Totals: 22 9-12 56.

#### Glendale—33

Boulton 1 4-7 6, Budzinski 0 0-0 0, Cherish 0 0-0 0, C. Dick 2 0-0 6, T. Dick 0 0-2 0, K. Gates 6 0-1 12, K. Kovach 1 1-5 3, Legrand 0 0-0 0, Noel 1 0-0 3, Strong 1 0-0 3, Treese 0 0-0 0, Twigg 0 0-0 0. Totals: 12 5-15 33.

Three-pointers: Struble 2, Walls; C. Dick 2, Noel, Strong.

#### Score by Quarters

Curwensville	8	12	16	20—56
Glendale	8	5	9	11—33



# JVL basketball banquet held

LAKEMONT — The Juniata Valley League held a banquet at the Casino in Lakemont on Monday to honor its all-star basketball teams from this season.

Eight local players were named to the various teams with West Branch's Chris Dotts being the lone first-team selection.

Dotts was joined by teammate Tyler Ferguson on the third team. Moshannon Valley's Tom Rowley and Glendale's Sam Yingling were named to the second team, while Mo Valley's Tyler Neff joined Ferguson with a third-team selection.

On the girls side, West Branch's Kari Larson and Mo Valley's Amy Tomasko were selected to the third team, while Glendale's Katee Budzinski was named honorable mention.

Tomasko also won the Sportsmanship Award.

Penns Valley captured both the boys and girls titles, while Claysburg-Kimmel's Lacey Claar and Mount Union's Johnny Martinez were named the Outstanding Player for their efforts.



Photo by Jon Christoff

**Juniata Valley League All-Stars** — Eight area athletes have been named to the Juniata Valley League All-Star basketball teams. In front, from left, are West Branch's Chris Dotts, Moshannon Valley's Amy Tomasko, West Branch's Kari Larson, and Glendale's Katee Budzinski. Standing are West Branch's Tyler Ferguson, Mo Valley's Tyler Neff and Tom Rowley, and Glendale's Sam Yingling.

## 2006-07 Girls Basketball Honor Roll

All-Stars		
First Team		
Taylor Harpster.....	Phillipsburg-Osceola.....	Freshman
Kari Larson.....	West Branch.....	Junior
Alyson Leyo.....	Harmony.....	Freshman
Elizabeth Sopic.....	Clearfield.....	Senior
Danielle Struble.....	Curwensville.....	Senior
Jackie White.....	Curwensville.....	Senior
Second Team		
Megan Brink.....	Harmony.....	Sophomore
Erica Fetterman.....	Purchase Line.....	Senior
Juliana Howell.....	Clearfield.....	Senior
Heather Hudson.....	Purchase Line.....	Junior
Brooke Jordan.....	Clearfield.....	Senior
Rebecca Kephart.....	West Branch.....	Freshman
Honorable Mention		
Nikki Collins.....	Clearfield.....	Senior
Jordan Cook.....	Moshannon Valley.....	Junior
Kierstyn Kruike.....	Harmony.....	Sophomore
Rachel Struble.....	Purchase Line.....	Senior
Amy Tomasko.....	Moshannon Valley.....	Senior
Tiffany Twigg.....	Glendale.....	Junior
Hannah Walls.....	Curwensville.....	Sophomore
Jolene Wesesky.....	West Branch.....	Junior
Player of the Year		
Danielle Struble, Curwensville		
Coach of the Year		
Vic Gearhart, Curwensville		

## 2006-07 Stat Leaders

Individual Statistics					Three-Pointers Per Game				
Scoring					(20 GP minimum)				
(20 GP minimum)					Player	GP	3s	Avg.	
Player	FG	FTM	3s	Pts.	Avg.	GP	3s	Avg.	
Struble (Cu)	185	151	26	547	18.9	Howell (CI)	22	34	1.5
Harpster (PO)	136	101	23	396	16.5	Hudson (PL)	22	33	1.5
Brink (H)	139	110	10	398	15.9	Jordan (CI)	20	30	1.5
A. Leyo (H)	140	74	10	364	14.6	Struble (PL)	21	26	1.2
Hudson (PL)	114	32	33	293	13.3	Noel (G)	24	26	1.1
Howell (CI)	117	18	34	286	13.0	Tomasko (MV)	20	22	1.1
White (Cu)	115	95	5	330	11.8	Collins (CI)	25	26	1.0
Larson (WB)	114	59	9	288	11.5	Harpster (PO)	24	23	1.0
Jordan (CI)	73	45	30	221	11.1				
E. Sopic (CI)	100	61	0	261	10.4				
Free Throw Percentage					Team Statistics				
(50 attempts minimum)					Scoring Offense				
Player	FTM	FTA	FT%		Team	GP	Pts.	Avg.	
E. Sopic (CI)	61	75	81.3		Clearfield	24	1316	52.2	
Harpster (PO)	101	128	78.9		Curwensville	29	1402	48.3	
Struble (Cu)	151	193	78.2		Harmony	25	1151	46.0	
White (Cu)	95	142	66.9		P-O	24	1062	44.3	
Brink (H)	110	165	66.7		Purchase Line	24	1041	43.4	
Cartwright (PO)	55	83	66.3		West Branch	25	1077	43.1	
Jordan (CI)	45	69	65.2		Mo Valley	24	820	34.2	
Weslesky (WB)	48	75	64.0		Glendale	24	752	31.3	
Boulton (G)	32	50	64.0						
A. Leyo (H)	74	116	63.7		Scoring Defense				
					Team	GP	Pts.	Avg.	
					Curwensville	29	1266	43.7	
					Mo Valley	24	1112	46.3	
					Harmony	25	1172	46.9	
					Clearfield	25	1245	49.8	
					West Branch	25	1256	50.2	
					Purchase Line	24	1265	52.7	
					Glendale	24	1277	53.2	
					P-O	24	1518	63.3	
Rebounds Per Game					Free Throw Percentage				
(20 GP minimum)					(20 GP minimum)				
Player	GP	Reb	RBG		Team	FTM	FTA	FT%	
A. Leyo (H)	25	286	11.4		Curwensville	326	475	68.6	
Kephart (WB)	25	271	10.8		Clearfield	243	381	63.8	
Harpster (PO)	24	244	10.2		P-O	325	530	61.3	
White (Cu)	28	259	9.3		Purchase Line	208	363	57.3	
Yonushonis (PO)	24	198	8.3		Harmony	262	492	53.3	
Larson (WB)	25	189	7.6		West Branch	238	452	52.7	
Cook (MV)	20	147	7.4		Mo Valley	144	295	48.8	
Modzel (WB)	25	183	7.3		Glendale	126	297	42.4	
Weslesky (WB)	25	159	6.4						
Twigg (G)	24	141	5.9						
Rebounding totals for Clearfield and Purchase Line were not available.									



<b>Players</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Three's</b>
Tiffany Twigg	141	0
Samantha Noel	127	27
Katee Budzinski	88	3
Kristen Gates	88	2
Brittany Boulton	78	0
Catie Dick	77	18
Tara Dick	51	11
Whitney Strong	36	2
Kim Kovach	29	0
Brooke Legrand	22	0
Katie Treese	18	0
Justine Kovach	4	0
Brianna Dick	3	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>64</b>