

IN BRIEF

LMC men use defense to beat Andrews

BERRIEN SPRINGS — The Lake Michigan College men's basketball team used a strong defensive effort to beat Andrews University 51-38 on Saturday.

"It was a defensive struggle all night," LMC coach Doug Schaffer said. "Fortunately our defense held serve, and we made a few buckets down the stretch to keep them from getting too close."

Terry Davis and Mike Bush scored 13 points apiece to lead LMC (2-0) and Ja'Mare Washington added 10. Bush also had five assists. Arsenio Arrington had nine rebounds and four blocks.

Robert Moon led Andrews with 10 points.

Dolphins take another step back in 33-17 loss to Bills

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP) — Bad snaps. Porous defense. And another loss to the Buffalo Bills.

The Miami Dolphins, under interim coach Dan Campbell, are starting to resemble the sluggish, sloppy team that led to former coach Joe Philbin getting fired five weeks ago.

After winning their first two games under Campbell, the Dolphins (3-5) showed signs of regressing in dropping their second in a row, a 33-17 loss on Sunday. And an extended rest didn't seem to help a team that was coming off a 36-7 loss at New England on Oct. 29.

"That was certainly not the way we wanted it to go, or expected it to go," said Campbell. "Yeah, we know all the negatives."

There were many on both sides of the ball during an outing in which Buffalo's Sammy Watkins had 168 yards receiving and broke the game open with a 44-yard touchdown late in the third quarter.

Miami's run defense was nonexistent. After allowing a combined 229 yards in its past three games, the Dolphins gave up 266 to Buffalo. LeSean McCoy had 112 yards rushing and a touchdown, while Bills rookie Karlos Williams has 110 yards rushing and two scores.

The Dolphins' offense sputtered at critical times.

The troubles began with the first snap from scrimmage, which slipped through the hands of quarterback Ryan Tannehill and through the end zone for a safety.

James scores 29 despite bruised quad as Cavs beat Pacers

CLEVELAND (AP) — LeBron James scored 29 points playing with a bruised quadriceps, and the Cleveland Cavaliers beat the Indiana Pacers 101-97 Sunday for their sixth straight win.

James took a knee to the leg Friday and said he would get round-the-clock treatment so he could play against the Pacers. The treatment paid off as James hit seven free throws down the stretch and found Kevin Love for two key baskets in the final 27 seconds.

Love scored 22 points and had 19 rebounds for the Cavaliers, who haven't lost since the season opener against Chicago.

Paul George scored 32 points for Indiana, which went scoreless for nearly four minutes after taking a 90-88 lead. George's 3-pointer with 18 seconds remaining cut the lead to 97-95.

The Cavaliers broke full-court pressure and James hit Love for a dunk with 8.2 seconds left. George Hill scored with 6.7 seconds remaining, but James made two foul shots at the 5.3 mark.

James remained in Friday's game after the injury and said he was hopeful he would play against the Pacers. He was 10 of 23 from field and came within two points of matching his season high, which he recorded Friday.

A third-quarter basket gave James 9,018 for his career, moving him past Jerry West into 19th place on the NBA's field goal list.

George, who scored a season-high 36 points Friday against Miami, had another outstanding game, making 11 of 21 from the field and grabbing 11 rebounds.

The Pacers had won three straight after losing its first three games.

The Cavaliers trailed through two quarters in three straight games, but used a 9-2 run to take a 40-36 lead at halftime.

Joey Crawford, one of the game's three officials, left the court in the third quarter with an injured right knee and didn't return.