

IN BRIEF

Changes announced to BH hoops schedule

Benton Harbor's home boys varsity basketball game with Niles that was postponed Tuesday due to inclement weather will be played at 4:15 p.m. Friday at Farnum Gym. This is to allow fans an opportunity to travel to Dowagiac to watch the Class B girls basketball district final between Benton Harbor and Lakeshore.

Tonight's regularly-scheduled game against Kalamazoo Central has been canceled and will not be made up.

LMC men advance in district play

BENTON TOWNSHIP — Michael Bush had 17 points and nine assists as the Lake Michigan College men's basketball team defeated Kalamazoo Valley Community College 73-67 on Wednesday in the opening round of the NJCAA District 9 tournament.

LMC (23-7) advances to face Muskegon Community College at 1 p.m. Friday in the district semifinal at Delta College.

"KVCC really put us to the test tonight," said LMC coach Doug Schaffer. "Our offense really sputtered coming out of halftime."

LMC led 36-29 at halftime, but KVCC turned that deficit into a six-point lead at 46-40. But Bush took over from there,

scoring 15 of his 17 points in the second half.

Arsenio Arrington had 11 points and 12 rebounds for the Red Hawks. John Robinson added 12 points for LMC.

Pistons fall to playoff-bound Spurs

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Kawhi Leonard scored 27 points and LaMarcus Aldridge added 23 as the San Antonio Spurs beat the Detroit Pistons 97-81 on Wednesday night to clinch their 19th straight playoff berth.

San Antonio (51-9) won its 29th straight home game to open the season in its first game following a month-long road trip brought on by the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo.

San Antonio joins Golden State as the only teams to clinch spots in the post-season.

Leonard and Aldridge excelled against a Detroit team thinned by injuries to forwards Anthony Tolliver and Stanley Johnson. Aldridge added 10 rebounds and Leonard had six rebounds and five assists for San Antonio, which has won six straight.

Detroit center Andre Drummond had nine points and 14 rebounds, ending his career-high and the league's season-high of consecutive double-doubles at 13 straight.

Marcus Morris and Tobias Harris had 16 points each for the Pistons.