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Lady Argos Fall Twice At McKenzie Rotary Classic

McKenzie, TN – The University of Great Falls women's basketball team played some productive basketball over the weekend but came away with nothing to show for it as they fell to 0-6 on the season, dropping an 83-68 decision to the host Bethel Lady Wildcats, ranked #20 in the NAIA national poll, on Friday, as well as a 69-64 defeat on Saturday at the hands of the Martin Methodist Redhawks as part of the 2009 McKenzie Rotary Classic at Dishman Gymnasium.

"We played Bethel pretty tough and had the game tied at halftime but we just couldn't pull it out in the second half," said **UGF head coach Shawn Chaffin**. "It was a great atmosphere to play and to play them tough on their home court is encouraging because they are very good and they play in one of the toughest conferences in the country."

Chaffin continued, "Against Martin Methodist, I was really proud of the way we came out and battled early on. We made some good runs to take a three-point lead into halftime but in the end their quickness really hurt us as well as our lack of depth inside, as we continue to battle the injury bug."

In Friday's game against Bethel, the Lady Argos shot 47% from the field but the Lady Wildcats forced 17 UGF turnovers while committing only nine themselves. Bethel also won the battle of the boards, out-rebounding the Lady Argos 44-29, including 16-5 on the offensive end.

Sophomore guard **Kelsey Hamilton (Dickson, TN)** led four Lady Wildcats in double figures with 18 points in just 19 minutes of action. Senior **Tristian Johnson (Bolivar, TN)** added 17 points and junior **Anna Trull (McKenzie, TN)** chipped in with 16 points and seven rebounds.

The Lady Argos were led by junior guard **Kristy Henderson (Aurora, CO/Northeast Junior College)** who scored a game-high 23 points on 10-of-16 shooting from the field while also grabbing six rebounds and three steals. Senior guard **Kassie Holmlund (Great Falls, MT/Rocky Mountain College)** knocked down four three-pointers and finished with 14 points and junior forward **Marissa Skogen (Great Falls, MT/Great Falls High School)** chipped in with 10 points.

On Saturday, UGF knocked down five first half three-pointers and took a 33-30 lead into the break. The Redhawks picked it up in the second half, shooting 45% and out-scoring the Lady Argos 39-31 to take the five-point neutral court victory. Both teams struggled with turnover problems as they combined for 47.

Senior forward **Whitney Robison (Brighton, TN)** scored a game-high 20 rebounds and grabbed seven rebounds to lead the Redhawks. Freshman **Jessy Christopher (Lebanon, TN)** added 17 points.

Sophomore **Leslie Saunders (Bozeman, MT/Bozeman High School)** led UGF with 15 points while Holmlund added 14. Henderson and Skogen split 20 points between them. Skogen also had game-highs with 12 rebounds and six steals.

[BOX SCORE vs. #20 BETHEL](#)

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