## **Multi-Sport Athletes Lead Basketball Teams**

The basketball teams are once again filled with athletes who participated in fall sports at MLC. In total, 13 fall sport athletes are participating in basketball this season.

The men feature seven multi-sport athletes, including three football players, two soccer players, one golfer, and one cross country runner. Football players **T.J. Babinec** (*Luther*), **Josh Rathje** (*Little Rock AR*), and **Josh VonDeylen** (*LPS*) have all started at least two games for the Knights this season.

The women have six athletes from fall sports, including three volleyball players, two soccer players, and one cross country runner. Volleyball players **Moriah Hackbarth** (*Lakeside*) and **Grace Schultz** (*FVL*) have both started every game for MLC.



Babinec shoots the three

## **Women Split Opening Conference Weekend**



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Schultz goes up with the left

The women's basketball team split its opening weekend of conference play, defeating St. Scholastica 71-67 Friday night, but losing 63-47 to UW-Superior on Saturday.

In the win over St. Scholastica, the Knights finished with four players in double figures, led by 17 points from **Grace Schultz** (*FVL*). Schultz started the game slowly, but made five of her seven attempts from the field in the second half to help hold off the Saints down the stretch.

**Leah Nass** (*Manitowoc LHS*), **Erin Schmeling** (*SCLHS*), and **Mariah Schoof** (*MVL*) joined Schultz in double figures in scoring, while Schoof also added three assists, three steals, and two blocks. Nass led the team with seven rebounds and made seven of her ten field goal attempts.

## Men Fall to CSS and UWS

The men's basketball team fought against a pair of teams projected to finish near the top of the conference, but came up empty in losses to St. Scholastica and UW-Superior.

## **Upcoming Events at MLC**

12/12 MBB @Bethany Lutheran WBB @Bethany Lutheran

12/15 WBB v. St. Olaf

12/17 WBB v. Central MBB v. Central **Todd Brassow** (*MLS*) led four MLC players in double figures with 20 points in an 85-77 loss Friday night to St. Scholastica.

**Josh Rathje** (*Little Rock AR*) and Brassow each scored 20 points in Saturday's 84-67 loss to UW-Superior. **Michael Paulsen** (*LPS*) added 16 points and five assists in that game.



Rathje avoids the defender