



Tom Archdeacon: A colorful night for Sinclair basketball

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Along with topping OSU-Lima 82-58, the Sinclair Community College women's basketball team – wearing pink warm-up shirts, pink socks and with most players sporting pink hair ribbons or headbands – hosted a Go Pink breast cancer awareness night Wednesday in front of a packed house at the Tartan Pride gym.

The event was organized by Sinclair coach Victoria Jones, the former Dayton Flyers basketball standout and a sixth-grade science teacher at Trotwood-Madison Middle School. She coached wearing pink sneakers, a pink shirt and pink fingernail polish.

The middle school students — guided by Jones' fellow sixth-grade teachers, Betty Caldwell (history), Tosha Johnson (math) and Leanetta Tyns (English) and principal Phillita Charlton — raised \$700 for the effort. Many students attended along with the Trotwood Madison High School band, the flag corps and the Dolls dancers, all of whom performed along with the middle school choir and cheerleaders.

Along with a pregame, indoor tailgate party, prizes donated by the Bob Ross Auto Group, one of the area's biggest breast cancer awareness backers, were given away throughout the game. At halftime, breast cancer survivor Elaine Hughley, a former TM Middle School assistant principal, was honored. Jones' mother Joyce Jones, a lung cancer survivor, was to be honored but is in the intensive care unit at Grandview Hospital with pneumonia.

The Sinclair women's team was led by Madison Schroder, the former Carroll High School standout, with 35 points. Ashton Brandon added 12.



The Sinclair Community College women's basketball team gathers around Elaine Hughley, a breast cancer survivor who was honored Wednesday night during ... [Read More](#)

The colorful night concluded with the Sinclair men, now 25-2 and ranked No. 3 in the nation, being upset by OSU-Lima, 79-75.



The Sinclair Community College women’s team makes a presentation to Elaine Hughley, a former Trotwood-Madison Middle School assistant principal who is a breast cancer survivor. She was honored Wednesday night during halftime of the Tartan Pride’s “Go Pink” game in which they defeated OSU-Lima 82-58. (Photo by Sam McConnell)

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