

Late Mask Of Horrors

For 3 1/2 quarters Friday night, Jan. 13, the Mulvane High School boys' basketball team played well enough to win their Homecoming game against league rival Rose Hill.

The last four minutes, though, turned into a nightmare straight out of "Friday The 13th", minus the hockey mask.

After leading for three quarters, the Wildcats went scoreless down the stretch, thanks in part to three consecutive turnovers, and the visiting Rockets pulled away late to hand Mulvane a 61-47 loss in front of a large and vocal Homecoming crowd. Mulvane heads into "Tournament Week" 0-5 in AVCTL Division III, 1-8 overall.

Scott Dunham's Wildcats got off to a hot start, taking an 18-12 lead after one quarter of play. The 'Cats led by as many as nine points, thanks in part to the outside shooting of Tyler Ruder, Dylan Donaldson, and

Brock Kendall, as well as the inside play of 6-7 senior center Adam Edwards. Mulvane held a seven-point lead at the half, 32-25.

Rose Hill fought back in the third quarter, eventually tying the game at 40-40 late in the period. Mulvane took the lead back, 44-40, before a Rose Hill three-pointer cut the lead to one by the end of the quarter. Rose Hill took the lead in the first minute of the fourth quarter, eventually leading by four. Kyle Womacks made a free throw to cut it to 50-47 with over four minutes remaining.

That's when the nightmare began.

Rose Hill's Trent Ubben made a three-pointer to make the lead six, 53-47. Then, Mulvane turned the ball over on their next three possessions, all resulting in Rocket layups, and the margin was suddenly 12 points, 59-47. Mulvane didn't score after Womacks' free throw while Rose Hill scored

the game's last 11 points. Rose Hill outscored the Wildcats 18-3 in the final quarter.

Edwards was the only Wildcat in double figures, scoring a team-high 13 points. Mulvane also got nine points from Ruder, eight from Donaldson, seven from Kendall, five from Ryan Herrig, three from Womacks, and two from John Knight. Rose Hill was led by Ubben with 22 points and Taylor Wilson with 16.

After nearly a week off, the Wildcats will play three games in three days at the Chaparral Roadrunner Invitational Tonight (Jan. 19). Mulvane will play their first pool game against Arkansas City at 6 p.m. The 'Cats will face top seed Conway Springs Friday night, Jan. 20, at 7:45 p.m. On Saturday, Jan. 21, the fifth-place game will start at 3 p.m., followed by the third-place game at 4:45 and the championship game at 6:30.

Chaparral Roadrunner Invitational

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 18

6 p.m.—Conway Springs vs. Arkansas City
7:45—Winfield vs. Chaparral

TONIGHT (JAN. 19)

6 p.m.—Mulvane vs. Arkansas City
7:45—Chaparral vs. Clearwater

FRIDAY, JAN. 20

6 p.m.—Winfield vs. Clearwater
7:45—Mulvane vs. Conway Springs

SATURDAY, JAN. 21

3 p.m.—5th place game
4:45—3rd place game
6:30—4th championship game

Varsity Boys

Rose Hill	12	13	18	18-61
Mulvane	18	14	12	3-47
Rose Hill—Taylor Wilson 16, Brayden Crowe 9, Graham Petersen 7, Trent Ubben 22, Josh Shirley 3, Blaze Foltz 2, J. J. Scott 2. FG 25 (6), FT 5-10				
Mulvane—Dylan Donaldson 8, Tyler Ruder 9, Ryan Herrig 5, John Knight 2, Brock Kendall 7, Kyle Womacks 3, Adam Edwards 13. FG 19 (5), FT 4-7				

Junior Varsity Boys

Rose Hill	14	14	12	18-58
Mulvane	7	3	17	9-36
Rose Hill—Chase Orhun 11, Jay Wisener 6, Taylor Stauffer 5, Casey Coates 9, Blaze Foltz 14, Tyler Engels 2, Mike Smith 11. FG 20 (4), FT 14-23				
Mulvane—Aaron Elston 7, Jared NeSmith 4, Devin Morton 3, Jesse Pierce 9, Danny Schneider 4, Zach Thiesing 6, Andrew Myers 1, Levi Heim 2. FG 12 (3), FT 9-17				

AVCTL III-IV Boys' Basketball Standings

DIVISION III

	League		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Buhler	4	1	4	4
Rose Hill	3	2	6	3
Augusta	3	2	5	4
Wellington	3	2	5	4
El Dorado	2	3	3	5
Mulvane	0	5	1	8

DIVISION IV

Andover	5	0	5	4
Andover Central	4	1	7	1
Circle	2	3	5	3
Andale	2	3	5	5
Clearwater	1	4	3	6
Kingman	1	4	3	6

This Week's Boys' Tournaments

Mulvane, Clearwater at Chaparral; Rose Hill, Andale at Halstead, Augusta at Baldwin, Buhler at McPherson, El Dorado, Wellington, Circle at El Dorado, Andover Central at Chanute, Andover at Neodesha, Kingman at St. John



Mulvane junior guard Ryan Herrig (11) scoots past two Rose Hill defenders on his way to the bucket