## Clarke shuts down Mustangs in MCC opener

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DUBUQUE - Kea Whittington scored 16 points and pulled down eight rebounds as Clarke defeated Mount Mercy 58-50, in the Midwest Collegiate Conference opener for both teams Wednesday night.

Makenzie Zeitler led Mount Mercy (9-10, 0-1) with 13 points and six rebounds. Christa Oldham added 12 points and six boards while Alisa Weiland finished with 11 points and six rebounds. Abby Herb did not play for Mount Mercy due to the flu.

Clarke is 10-7, 0-1.

MOUNT MERCY (50): Herdliska 2 0-0 6, Oldham 3 6-6 12, Thompson 0 0-0 0, Weiland 3 3-4 11, Sexton 0 0-0 0 Last 1 0-0 3, Zeitler 4 4-4 13, Dolan 0 0-0 0, Timms 1 3-4 5. Totals 14 16-18 50.

**CLARKE (58):** Whittington 5 4-6 16, Hamilton 3 2-2 9, Werner 0 0-0 0, Petkoff 2 1-2 6, Needham 0 0-0 0, Hoppman 2 0-0 4, Kleppin 2 2-4 6, Aasen 2 2-3 6, Ernst 2 3-4 7, Hahn 2 0-0 4. Totals: 21 12-19 58.

Halftime: Clarke 34, Mount Mercy 29. 3-point goals: Mount Mercy 6 (Herdliska 2, Weiland 2, Last 1, Zeitler 1), Clarke 4 (Whittington 2, Hamilton 1, Petkoff 1).