



**2015 Ohio Valley Conference Women's Basketball Championship  
Game 1 – First Round - #1 UT Martin 68, #8 Eastern Illinois 35  
March 4, 2015 – Municipal Auditorium (Nashville, Tenn.)**

**Post-Game Quotes**

**UT Martin Head Coach Kevin McMillan**

*Opening Statement*

"I thought that both teams were tight at the beginning of the game. Then, I thought Eastern did a really good job for the first 10 minutes, and we were struggling getting some rhythm. Katie's [Shubert] three [at the 7:37 mark] was the point where the game changed... It was a really good win for a young UT Martin basketball team."

*On holding Oroszova to zero points*

"[Sabina] Oroszova is an unbelievable basketball player and for Ashia [Jones] to do what she did on the offensive end and then asked to turn around and guard her on the defensive end was a chore... Oroszova is so crafty with the ball and was able to beat Ashia a few times, but our guards were defending the ball well enough that EIU couldn't get it to her. She is a great player and has been hard to play against for four year."

**UT Martin Sophomore Ashia Jones**

*On her performance*

"I am just happy we got the win. We have to prepare for Friday's game, now. I am excited that we won, but we have to go. I never look at the scoreboard, I just play hard and if someone tells me that [Oroszova] has zero points then that's just good for the team."

**Eastern Illinois Head Coach Debbie Black**

*Opening Statement*

"UT Martin beat us in every aspect of the game. We kept it close early but they snuck away and we couldn't come back. They didn't do anything special to stop (Sabina Oroszova). They didn't double team her or anything different; she just had an off day. We tried to move her around and get her different looks because as she goes, we go, but we just couldn't get her going today. Sabina is a terrific person and has been huge for our school. It's just a shame she went out like this."

**Eastern Illinois Freshman Grace Lennox**

*On the season*

"We had a good team this year. We're going to take this game in and work hard in the offseason to build our team up for next year. We'll do a lot to improve our defense and make that our focus for the offseason."

**Post-Game Notes**

UT Martin improves to 18-11 in OVC Tournament contests

The Skyhawks are now 10-1 in the Municipal Auditorium

Coach McMillan is 11-1 in OVC Tournament games

UT Martin moved to 3-0 this season against EIU and leads the all-time series 27-17

UT Martin held EIU to 35 points, the fewest allowed since Jan. 31, 1978 against Middle Tennessee

The Skyhawks are a perfect 16-0 when starting Jackson, Jones, Roberts, Shubert and Ward

UTM's Ashia Jones recorded her ninth 30-point plus game this season, setting a new program record. Heather Butler had eight last season.

UT Martin moves on to face the winner of tomorrow's 4/5 matchup of Jacksonville State and Belmont. The Skyhawks will next take the court on Friday at 12 p.m. CT.

EIU exits the OVC Tournament in the first round for the second year in a row.

EIU falls to 6-12 all-time in the OVC Tournament.

Coach Black is 0-2 at the OVC Tournament for her tenure at EIU.

EIU is now 1-6 all-time at Municipal Auditorium.

The 35 total points is the least amount of points scored in a game by the Panthers this season.