The Pfeiffer University women's basketball team outscored Lees-McRae College by a 45-29 margin in the second half, utilizing a 24-7 run over the final seven minutes en route to a 64-57 win in Conference Carolinas play on Saturday

afternoon in Williams Gymnasium. Pfeiffer (15-3, 10-3 CC) posted a field goal percentage of 37.7 percent on the afternoon, including a 48.1 percent clip in the second half, while holding Lees-McRae (7-10, 5-9 CC) to a 25.4 percent clip from the floor. The Falcons won the battle on the glass by a 48-38 margin, including a 35-22 advantage on the defensive boards, as the Bobcats converted 16 Pfeiffer turnovers into 20 points.

Lauren Lewis (Concord, N.C.) paced the Bobcats with 20 points on 6-of-14 shooting, including a 4-for-8 clip from behind the arc, as Candace Flowers (Charlotte, N.C.) added 10 markers. Alyssa Munson (Summerfield, N.C.) chipped in team-highs of eight rebounds and three blocks, while Kabrina Truesdale (Wilmington, N.C.) dished out a contest-best six assists. Kerri Belcher (Roanoke, Va.) also added seven boards and six points for the Bobcats.

Brittany Cox led the way for Pfeiffer with a double-double, posting game-highs of 26 points and 12 rebounds with a 9-for-20 night from the floor. Cox also recorded a contest-best four blocks, as Christina Harvey added a double-double with 22 points and 12 boards. Jodie Lemons chipped in 11 points and six rebounds for the Falcons.

Pfeiffer struck first in the opening half, starting off the game with a 6-2 spurt before the Bobcats responded with a 16-7 run, claiming an 18-13 advantage following a Flowers triple with 4:22 to play in the period. The Bobcats would continue to dictate play over the final four minutes, closing out the half with a 10-6 spurt to take a 28-19 lead into the intermission.

The Falcons answered quickly in the second half, closing the gap to 28-24 with a Cox trifecta at the 18:27 mark. Lees-McRae would counter with a 7-2 spurt, pushing the lead to 35-26 when Lewis knocked down her second triple of the day with 15:49 left on the clock.

Pfeiffer responded once again with a 6-0 spurt, cutting the margin to 35-32 before Lewis answered with a trey to kick-start a 15-8 run, which gave the Bobcats a 50-40 advantage with 7:10 to play following a pair of De Souza freebies.

The Falcons countered with a 20-6 surge, taking a 60-56 lead on a Harvey lay-in with 1:07 to play. Pfeiffer would close out the win from there, converting a quartet of free throws over the final 30 seconds to cap the 24-7 run and complete the comeback.

Lees-McRae returns to the court on Monday when the Bobcats host Converse College in league play at 5:30 p.m. in Williams Gymnasium.

PFEIFFER 64, LMC 57

Score By Periods 1st 2nd Total

Pfeiffer	19	45	64
Lees-McRae	28	29	57

Pfeiffer Lees-McRae

Pts: Brittany Cox - 26, Pts: Lauren Lewis - 20
Reb: 2 Players (Cox, Harvey - 12), Reb: Alyssa Munson - 8
Ast: Brittany Cox - 4, Ast: Kabrina Truesdale - 6

Team Statistics	**Pfeiffer**	**Lees-McRae**
Field Goal %	37.7% (20-53)	25.4% (17-67)
Rebounds	48	38
Assists	9	13
Turnovers	16	10
Pts off Turnovers	8	20
2nd Chance Pts	9	15
Pts in the Paint	24	14
Fastbreak Pts	2	11
Bench Pts	4	16

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