

MEN'S BASKETBALL: Jones 75-foot shot caps sweep over CSI

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North Idaho College sophomore point guard from Seattle, Wash., Melvin Jones made an improbable 3/4-court shot as the buzzer sounded to defeat Scenic West Athletic Conference rival the College of Southern Idaho 69-66 in a nail-biting game Saturday, Jan. 31.

In the game clincher, freshman forward Renado Parker inbounded the ball to Jones, who took one dribble and threw up the prayer shot from at least 75 feet out to hit nothing but net as the crowd stormed the court.

View video of the final moments of the game at <http://www.nic.edu/download/NorthIdahoCollege75Footer.mp4> or on YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/user/NorthIdahoCollege>

In another close game Jan. 30, the Cardinals defeated CSI 69-67. Melvin Jones, 5-foot, 10-inches from Chief Sealth High School, led the Cards with 23 points and Shawn Henderson, a sophomore guard from Seattle, Wash., added 20 points and five assists. Jay Watkins led CSI that night with 16 points and 13 rebounds.

The Cardinal men are ranked 18th in the nation and improve their record to 20-2 on the season (5-2 conference).

Earlier this month, Jones committed to play for Portland State University next year. Jones averaged 10 points per game for the Cardinals in the 2007-2008 season placing him third on the team. He also led Chief Sealth High School in Seattle with 18.8 points per game his senior season while being named first team All-Metro League. He is the son of Jennifer Annable.