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**Prosser’s ‘Prayer’ Finds Net As Magic Beat Lewis and Clark At Buzzer**

It was the “Hail Mary” of junior college basketball - sophomore Jake Prosser’s (Francis Howell North) desperation three point heave from the corner at the buzzer that found nothing but net, and a Meramec 46-44 win over a shocked Lewis and Clark Tuesday night.

"At first I didn’t believe it, I was stunned and then it all kind of hit me when all my teammates came and rushed up on me that we had just won," said a jubilant Prosser.

The see-saw battle had come to a head following a running one-hander by Lewis and Clark to regain the lead 44-43 with just four seconds left. The Magic called a time out to set up a play with forward Clay Zerr (St. Charles) inbounding to whoever was open. That "whoever" was Prosser in the far corner, well behind the three point line.

"I just kind of faded away and kicked my foot up and threw the ball to the basket and it went in," said Prosser. "I honestly just kind of threw it up - it was kind of just a prayer but it went in."

Center Bill Brandenburg (Kirkwood), who had a big night with eight points and seven rebounds, knew there would be no rebound needed on this shot heard round Godfrey, Illinois.

"I was going to the boards on the opposite side, I knew about midway it was in, so I was like 'oh my gosh,'" said Brandenburg. "You always know when those shots are going in."

Even for a veteran coach like Randy Albrecht with 34 years experience as a collegiate head coach, it was unusual. "I’ve only had a few times that we’ve made a shot that deep to win a game.,” said Albrecht.

Prosser was the lead scorer with 10 points (five of those in the final 43 seconds). Alonzo Wrickerson (Webster Groves) also had eight points.