

Big Second Half Brings 'Cuse By Canisius

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SYRACUSE, N.Y. – A strong second half propelled the #4/4 Orange (9-0) to an 85-61 victory against Canisius (6-2) on Saturday evening in the Carrier Dome. SU used a 50-point second half, while limiting the Golden Griffins to 29, to secure the triumph.

The Orange extended its home court winning streak to 29 straight games, the longest active Division I span in the nation. SU also stretched its regular-season, non-conference victory stretch to 51.

The victory was the 899th for Syracuse coach [Jim Boeheim](#). Only two coaches -- Mike Krzyzewski and Bob Knight -- accumulated 900 wins in the Division I ranks.

Senior [James Southerland](#) led the Orange offense with 21 points, including 16 in the second half, and contributed five rebounds. Senior [Brandon Triche](#) notched 19 points, his ninth double-digit point outing of the campaign.

Sophomore [Michael Carter-Williams](#) tallied his fifth consecutive game with a double-double, totaling 12 points and 14 assists. He had 13 assists after the intermission.

The two squads were involved in a close struggle throughout the opening period. The lead changed hands three times and neither squad led by more than seven in the first half. With Syracuse ahead by two, the Orange created some space thanks to a three-pointer from Southerland and two free throws by Triche to make it 30-23. Canisius answered with nine straight points, including consecutive three-balls from Isaac Sosa and Jordan Heath. Down 32-31, Syracuse got two free throws from Carter-Williams and a layup by Triche with one second left to enter the intermission ahead, 35-32.

The Orange regrouped and opened the second frame on a 14-3 run to command a 15 point advantage at 50-35, featuring a three and a dunk from Southerland. From there, SU went on one final scoring streak, recording 11 unanswered points to widen the lead to 23 before finishing with an 85-61 win against the Griffins.

