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HORSEMEN HONORED--Evan Brown, left, and Bill Van Auken, right look on as Frank Bedman, president, and Joyce Redmond, secretary-treasurer, accept a placque

presented to them for their outstanding service to the Western Horsemen's Club.

### Mike Williams plans youth sports program

Sports fans in the Mountaintop area as one of the best baseball players to ever graduate from Old Fairview High Area Basketball League.

Now Mike lives in Shavertown, still loves remember Mike Williams sports and is aiding a new organization for the young people of the area.

School. He was also the for youth" program which founder of the Mountaintop will provide fundamental instruction and programs in various sports for youth

Sem field hockey begins season

Wyoming Seminary's were lost, including their

field hockey coach has a hustling captain, Debbie

problem all coaches should Murray, of Wilkes-Barre,

team is five and six girls Kingston, who scored 26

dee some positions, and season goals, Coach

Mike's idea is a "sports

would be divided into age groups, 5-8, 9-12, 13-16, and have the opportunity to participate in sports clinics, field trips, officiating schools, and fundamental training in such pasttimes as football,

punch.

age 5 to 16. Youngsters flag football, volleyball, tennis, bowling field hockey, arts and crafts, baton, cheerleading, cross country, wrestling and golf, baseball, softball and basketball.

The program would be developed by a non-profit volunteer organization Mike proposes to call "Sports for Youth." The organization would provide each participating most of this year's scoring youngster with Sem's second and third membership card, colored tee-shirt and insurance contests of the season should decide the whole coverage for the program. There would be a small campaign. An away membership fee to cover contest with Lackawanna

He has served as commissioner of the Back Mountain Girls Softball Program and works with the Back Mountain Baseball for Boys and girls.

Mike graduated from Fairview High School in 1960, with four years of varsity experience in both baseball and basketball. At one point in his career he took spring training with the Boston Red Sox organization and appeared to be about to win third or fourth spot in the batting order for the Red Sox minor league club in the costs of the program. Winston-Salem, N.C. when Mike hopes to finance the a management change passed him by. Mike is inviting persons interested in the "Sports ofr Youth'' concept to contact him for further information at his home at Grace 61 Shavertown.

## Jones: 'Meyers tough'

"Meyers will be a tough game," said Coach Jack Jones of Dallas High School. "They are a young team but quick and strong.

It is their swiftness and speed which are of most concern to Jones. He is impressed by two of the Mohawks' running backs, Lavan and DeGraffenreid. He also told the Post that Meyers' quarterback Jerry Goss throws well and has a good receiver at split end. Although Meyers does not have an unusually large defense, they are husky and strong which Jones feels is a tribute to their off-season weight lifting program.

The Dallas coach is more concerned about the outcome of the game this week than he was earlier.

"I don't know what the week's layoff will do to my boys. There was also a lot of nervous tension in school the early part of the week over the Pittston situation. Tension takes a lot out of a boy...I hope it hasn't done any harm. But I am count-

#### Western Horsemen honor officers

At the second annual Western Horsemen's Club Jamboree, the Club members surprised President, Frank Redmond and Secretary, Joyce Redmond by presenting them with a plaque for outstanding service in organizing and maintaining the Western Horsemen's Club.

They organized the club on Nov. 19, 1974 with a membership of 21. The club

ing on the team being up for Saturday's game.'

Where does Jones place the blame for cancellation of the Pittston game? In several areas. Just how strong is the Wyoming Valley Conference, he wonders, when the president of the conference cannot make a decision.

He feels passing it to Bob Thomas, league secretary, who is at Valley West, put Thomas on the spot. Jones said he felt that no matter how hard one tries to be neutral it is difficult to remain so when someone close to you is involved. Jones said he believed the president had an obligation to settle the problem of

scheduling instead of passing it to the schools. He criticized Valley West to the extent that they could move their game to Saturday without doing themselves harm. He explained that the Spartans forget the favors done by Pittston in moving a basketball game, and the generosity of Dallas in letting them use the Mountain-

eers' tennis courts following the 1972 flood.

Jones said he also feels Pittston had a contract to play and should have lived up to the contract. He cited Hanover who played Meyers Monday night and will play Coughlin Friday night. It was a similar situation.

As far as Jones is concerned, the cancellation by Pittston throws the conference wide open. In the future, any team who wishes to cancel out at the last moment will feel free to do so

**PS** alumni to see Syracuse

The Penn State Club of Wyoming Valley is sponsoring a bus trip for slumni to the Penn State vs. Syracuse football game on Saturday, Oct. 18: Reservations, priced at \$21.00 per person and including transportation, lunch and game ticket, are available by contacting Professor Jack Kolesar at the Penn State Campus, Lehman, Pa., 18627, or telephone 675-2171.



has grown in one year to 145 members conducting and taking part in many activities throughout the year of its existence.

The Western Horsemen's Club will hold a rummage sale on Oct. 25 and 26 at the Harding Fire Co. on Rt. 92. On Oct. 5 the club is holding its third horse show of the year, at the club's horse show ring on Sutton Creak Road in Harding.

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start. Her problem will be to the group that plays together best.

have. Karen Klassner's and

The seminary squad started the season Sept. 22, with a 2-0 win over Nanticoke. Coach Klassner feels she is fielding the best seminary team she has seen since coming to the school ir. 1971

From 1971 to the present Seminary hockey teams have compiled a 6-5-2 record. Last year's squad was 11-1-1 on the season, and 9-1 in the Wyoming Valley League. Their sole loss was at the hands of Lake-Lehman's excellent 1974 squad.

Although seven seniors

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any one of those could Klassner feels her young team has already taken up Trail, Sept. 26, and another the slack and more. at Wyoming Valley West, Janet Murray, Wilkes-Sept. 30, should make for

Mary Shafer,

their toughest competition Barre, and Tracy Innes, Shavertown, should supply of the season.

#### Gamelands tour planned

Sportsmen and other be in charge of the tour, states that the tour will interested persons are invited to participate in an traverse an area of State automobile caravan tour of Game Lands No. 57 which is normally closed to State Game Lands No. 57 on Oct. 5. All vehicles to vehicular traffic.

Participants are transportation rather than have one or two individuals in a vehicle. Since the tour will last until late refreshments along.

remainder of the project with a baseball calendar he has just developed for the vear 1976. He hopes the new project will reach 300-500 children with the year-round sports

emphasis, which he said would be similar to boys and girls clubs in larger metropolitan areas. The new program would be designated to avoid conflict requested to double up in with existing youth sports programs.

A former PIAA football and basketball official, Mike is presently afternoon, it might be employed by the U.S. advisable to take some Postal Service in Dallas.

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