## Sports

Wilkes-Barre Fats

## Irem pro thrilled with - outstanding turnout



## Basketball clinic

$\qquad$ Walt Konopke.

## PIAA wins football playoff battle

| to sponsor a football playoff to termine a state champion. The ling came on a motion for sumary of judgment filed by PIAA. <br> The suit, instituted as a class ction on behalf of high school otball players, their parents, and eir coaches, was an attempt by e Pennsylvania Scholastic FootCoaches' Association to force e establishment of a state football | playoff. PIAA football playoffs presently exist only in District 3 and District 7, which is also known as the Western Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic League. The Eastern Football Conference also sponsors a football playoff in which PIAA member schools participate. PIAA itself sponsors state championship playoffs in 13 sports. <br> The Pennsylvania Football Coaches' Association attempted for several years to convince the PIAA Board of Control to sponsor a state championship football playoff. | fter a continued lack of success, e coaches filed suit in September <br> 1981, seeking a court order mpelling PIAA to sponsor a state otball playoff. <br> Following a 1980 survey of its embers, the Pennsylvania School oards Association reported that 83 ercent of those responding were posed to a state football playoff. pposition was also expressed by e Pennsylvania Association of econdary School Principals. <br> The coaches asserted that PIAA as illegally discriminating against otball participants. |
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## Athletic

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letic Association (PIA A) letic Association (PIAA) to
prohibit a student from pronibit a student fron
participating in interscho
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PIAA determines that his or her transfer from one
school to another was ath letically-motivated,
Relying upon its decision Relying upon its decision
two years ago in a case involving Penn Hills High
School, the Commonwealth Court reiterated that a stu-
dent has no property right dent has no property right
to participate in interscho to participate in interscho
lastic sports, and tha without a property right, a
student is not entitled to procedural due proces from PIAA.
The Commonwealth Court stated that the PIAA rule concerning athleti-
cally-motivated transfers cally-motivated transfers
was "rationally
and
logi cally related to PIAA's
valid and legitimate intervalid and legitimate interest in preventing transte
and recruiting for athletic purposes." Referring generally to
the issue of challenges the issue of challenges to
PIAA rulings, the Com monwealth Court com
motated that "the remedy lies not
with the courts but within with the courts but within
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cedures of

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