



Sports



Rodgers on sports

Gorgone may get nod at Lehman

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A reliable source has informed me that Rich Gorgone, who has been an assistant football coach at Wilkes College under Bill Unsworth the past few seasons, will be the new head grid coach at Lake-Lehman.

Gorgone coached Lehman's squad several years ago, but resigned his position after a fallout with the administration. After a short sabbatical from coaching, he returned in an assistant's role at Coughlin under then head coach J.P. Meck. Doing a fine job for Coughlin, he moved on to be an assistant for the Wilkes College squad.

The return of Gorgone, as of this writing is only speculation, but is backed by evidence supplied to me, showing he placed the lone application so far for the vacancy left by the resignation of Mark Kirk. Also, a special session will be held by the board this week where it is said Gorgone needs but one vote to secure the spot.

It was stated, however, that the Lehman board would like to stay in the School District with its choice since the last two coaches, Kirk and his predecessor Tom Hisiro, were from outside the district. Gorgone is a teacher in the Lehman School system.

In Gorgone's previous experience as Black Knights' mentor, the team was, without a doubt, respected and competitive and his players showed great discipline and poise.

The question now, however, is can Gorgone do it again under new circumstances? He will, without a doubt, put together a fine group of assistants. He has as much respect for the coaching abilities of his peers as anyone in the surrounding area. He's a student of the game himself, never staying idle, always looking to learn more and improve on the old.

The question now lies in the adjustment from the college level, where players are bigger, stronger and a little more knowledgeable, back to the high school level where motivation is one of the biggest priorities. Also you are dealing with a smaller budget and a new set of rules.

Coach Gorgone does, without any doubt, possess all the tools required to adapt and produce a respected

program and it's a feather in Lehman's cap to have a chance at gaining these qualities. But we will have to wait for the decision and if the signing takes place one must remember to give Coach Gorgone, or whoever may become coach for that matter a chance.

Tonight it's football! Valley West's Spartan Stadium is the site for what you could call the start of high school football. Although the regular season is months away, the 34th annual Unico Classic takes place. The game features last year's seniors from the East and West, respectively.

The East is the heavy favorite in the game, but I predict an upset in a high-scoring affair. My prediction is: West 34, East 28.

No matter what the final result, it's a game worth seeing. It's a festive affair for all with the proceeds going to a very good cause. This is a game where everyone is a winner, especially the fans and no one ever goes home disappointed. Do yourself a favor, make it a family night and have yourself a ball.



Unico players

Representing the Dallas High School in the 34th Annual East-West Unico All Star Football Classic to be held tonight at 8 p.m. at Valley West's Spartan Stadium are, from left, Phil Brown, Matt Mihal, Gary Vincelli, Glenn Eyt. Former Pittsburgh Steeler back, Franco Harris, will serve as honorary game captain and sign posters for fans which will be supplied by Unico members.



Tournament winners

Winners of the golf tournament sponsored by the Dallas Soccer Club are shown here. From left, Dave Morris, co-chairman; Ray McDonald, low net; Barry Fies, golf pro, Irem Temple Country Club; John Bauman, low gross; and Jack Tinner, president, Dallas Soccer Club. The tournament was held Friday at the Irem Temple Country Club, Dallas.

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According to affiliated doctors of optometry, persons who jog or cycle on streets and roads during the afternoon and evening hours, could end up accident victims if they don't make themselves highly visible to drivers.

The name of the game is contrast and POA advises joggers and cyclists to put themselves in sharp contrast to their surroundings so that drivers will see them at safe distances.

Soccer

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had both soccer and football, soccer had no adverse effect on football but more effect on cross country. A few schools just starting a football program found that it had an adverse effect on their soccer program.

Enthusiasm in the sport at Lake-Lehman is high especially among the many students, who are not in any of the other sports. Approximately 35 students in ninth through 12th grade have shown an interest in participating.

Equipment and uniforms have already been ordered, uniforms consisting only of shirts, shorts, leg guards and shoes. It is also reported that parents are organizing a Lake-Lehman Soccer Organization.

High school administrators have already applied for admission to the Wyoming Valley Conference and although the schedule is tentatively set, they are hopeful that they will be admitted for league play in 1985-86. If not, the team will have to play an exhibition schedule with local teams and others outside of this area.

"I think it's great for the kids," said Dallas Soccer Coach John McCafferty. "I have already set aside dates to play Lake-Lehman in anticipation that they might have a team this year."

If Lake-Lehman is admitted to the conference for the 1985-86 season, it will make a total of nine teams. The teams, in addition to Lake-Lehman, are Dallas, Abington Heights, Bishop Hafey, Bishop Hoban, Bishop O'Reilly, Wyoming Valley West, Wyoming Seminary and Crestwood.

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