

Sports



Rivals meet Saturday

Old Shoe is up for grabs

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The Old Shoe trophy will be up for grabs this Saturday when Dallas and Lake-Lehman play their annual football game at the Mountaineers' field.

The bronzed shoe, which is held for a year by the winner of each season's contest, is presently in the possession of the Lake-Lehman Knights who won last year's game by a 33-0 score. It originally belonged to a member of the 1948 Dallas Township team coached by retired Dallas Senior High School Principal Robert Dolbear.

The idea of the Old Shoe Game was initiated by Dallas Rotary Club member and president Francis "Red" Ambrose in 1948 to promote a friendly rivalry between the teams of the Back Mountain Schools. During the 1940's there was intense competition between Dallas Township, Kingston Township and Lehman Township and the Rotary Club members decided to do something to honor the Back Mountain team who took the township.

Ambrose discussed the idea with Dolbear and after gaining the approval of the other schools coaches, Dolbear had his team members throw their football shoes in a pile and he pulled a shoe from the pile and gave it to the Rotary Club members. They had the shoe bronzed and attached to a plate.

The first team to win the Old Shoe was Kingston Township in 1948,

reported to be coached by Thomas Jenkins. Lehman took the Old Shoe in 1949 and 1950, coached by Tony Marchakitis and in 1951, Dallas Township, coached by Robert Thomas, won the trophy.

During the years from 1952 to 1959, Westmoreland won the shoe twice, in 1952 coached by W. Seiple and in 1955 by Ted Poad; Lehman-Jackson-Ross won it three times, 1953 and 1954 coached by Tony Marchakitis, and in 1957, coached by Edw. H. Edwards. There was a three way tie in 1956 between Lehman-Jackson, Westmoreland and Dallas-Franklin with the teams coached by Edw. H. Edwards, Ted Poad and Tony Roan, respectively. Lake-Lehman, coached by Edward H. Edwards, won the shoe in 1958 and 1959 and Westmoreland, coached by Edward Brominski, took the Old Shoe in 1960.

Since that time, the Old Shoe has been played annually between Dallas Senior High School and Lake-Lehman Senior High School with Dallas, coached by Brominski, winning the shoe each year from 1961 through 1966.

In 1967, 1968, and 1969, Lake-Lehman coached by George Curry, now coaching at Berwick, regained possession of the coveted shoe.

During the years 1970 through 1977, Coach Jack Jones directed the Dallas team in taking the Old Shoe but in 1978, Lake-Lehman's Rich Gorgone coached his team to a win and possession of the shoe.

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Former Old Shoe winners

YEAR	TEAM	COACH
1948	Kingston Twp.	Tom Jenkins
1949	Lehman Twp.	Anthony Marchakitis
1950	Lehman Twp.	Anthony Marchakitis
1951	Dallas Twp.	Robert Thomas
1952	Westmoreland	W. Seiple
1953	Lehman/Jackson/Ross	Anthony Marchakitis
1954	Lehman/Jackson/Ross	Anthony Marchakitis
1955	Westmoreland	T. Poad
1956	Three-way tie	
	Lehman-Jackson	Edw. Edwards
	Westmoreland	T. Poad
	Dallas/Franklin	Tony Roan
	Lehman/Jackson/Ross	Edw. Edwards
1957	Lake-Lehman	Edw. Edwards
1958	Lake-Lehman	Edw. Edwards
1959	Westmoreland	Edw. Brominski
1960	Dallas Senior High	Edw. Brominski
1961	Dallas Senior High	Edw. Brominski
1962	Dallas Senior High	Edw. Brominski
1963	Dallas Senior High	Edw. Brominski
1964	Dallas Senior High	Edw. Brominski
1965	Dallas Senior High	Edw. Brominski
1966	Dallas Senior High	Edw. Brominski
1967	Lake-Lehman	George Curry
1968	Lake-Lehman	George Curry
1969	Lake-Lehman	George Curry
1970	Dallas Senior High	Jack Jones
1971	Dallas Senior High	Jack Jones
1972	Dallas Senior High	Jack Jones
1973	Dallas Senior High	Jack Jones
1974	Dallas Senior High	Jack Jones
1975	Dallas Senior High	Jack Jones
1976	Dallas Senior High	Jack Jones
1977	Dallas Senior High	Jack Jones
1978	Lake-Lehman	Rich Gorgone
1979	Lake-Lehman	Tom Hisiro
1980	Dallas Senior High	Ron Rybak
1981	Dallas Senior High	Ron Rybak
1982	Tie	
	Dallas Senior High	Ron Rybak
	Lake-Lehman	Mark Kirk
1983	Dallas Senior High	Ron Rybak
1984	Lake-Lehman	Mark Kirk



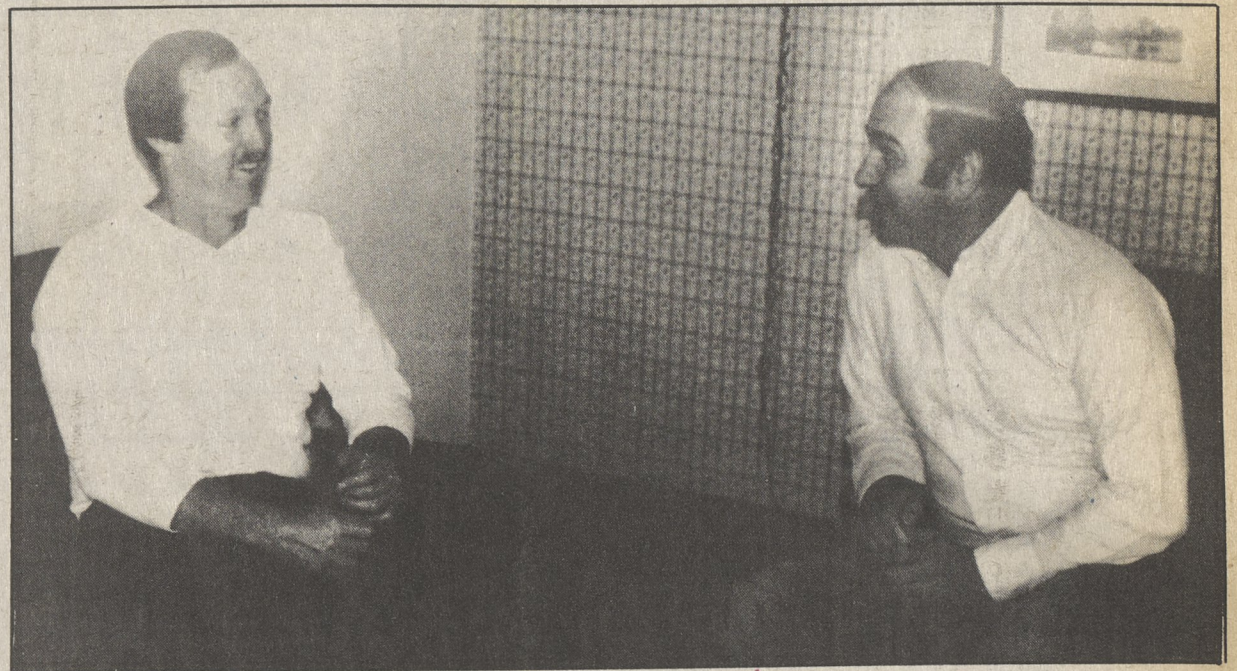
Dallas Post/Ed Campbell

Family squabble

Dallas varsity cheerleader Megan Gorgone battles with her dad, Lake-Lehman Football Coach Rich Gorgone, for the Old Shoe trophy. Megan is certain the Mountaineers will regain possession of the Shoe while her Dad is hoping the Black Knights can keep the trophy in the Lake-Lehman trophy case.

Annual Old Shoe Game

Dallas football field



Dallas Post/Charlot M. Denmon

Coaches are friends

Lake-Lehman Coach Rich Gorgone discusses the Old Shoe game with his friend and neighbor Dallas Coach Ted Jackson. Neither coach would predict the winner of this Saturday's contest.

	Dotty MARTIN (53-22)	Ed CAMPBELL (55-22)	John KILDUFF (35-40)	Charlot DENMON (55-20)	Joe GULA (55-20)	GoalPOST PETIE (54-21)
Dallas/Lehman	Dallas 7-6	Lehman 14-13	Lehman 17-10	Dallas 10-7	Dallas 17-14	Lehman 10-7
WWW/Coughlin	Coughlin 28-14	Coughlin 14-7	WWW 17-10	Coughlin 21-13	Coughlin 28-21	WWW 14-7
O'Reilly/Hoban	Hoban 6-0	Hoban 17-10	Hoban 12-7	Hoban 7-6	Hoban 26-13	O'Reilly 14-6
Penn State/Notre Dame	Penn State 28-21	Penn State 21-17	Norte Dame 24-21	Penn State 21-7	Penn State 24-21	Notre Dame 21-14

Prognosticators locked

Ed Campbell, Joe Gula and Charlot Denmon are all locked at 55-20, going into the final week of football predictions.

Campbell and Denmon scored perfect 7-0 records on last week's games while Gula slipped out of first place when he lost the Lake-Lehman-Bishop Hoban game. Gula, however, came rather close on the Notre Dame-Mississippi game, giving Notre Dame a 35-14 victory when the Irish actually defeated Mississippi, 37-14.

GoalPOST Petie, aka Joseph "Red" Jones of Lake-Lehman, also garnered a perfect week, picking seven of seven contests correctly. He is currently in second place with a 54-21 slate.

Dotty Martin falls into third place at 53-22, while John Kilduff continues to hold up the rear at 35-40.

The troops are split on the Old Shoe Game this weekend, with some going with the Mountaineers and others going with the Black Knights.

Tradition has always been that either team, regardless of seasonal performances, can win this rivalry.

Coughlin gets the edge over the Spartans of Wyoming Valley West while Hoban is expected to defeat O'Reilly in the Battle of the Bishops.

Kilduff is remaining true blue to the Irishmen of Notre Dame, however, the Penn State Nittany Lions are heavily favored to win that annual contest.

Kickoff set for 2 p.m.

Petie revealed

Now is the time for Back Mountain fans to meet GoalPOST Petie-the individual, who for the past 10 weeks has been predicting area football teams.

After keeping his identity carefully concealed he now makes himself known in time for the final games of the season. Who is GoalPOST Petie? None other than Joseph "Red" Jones, vice president of Great Northern Press and Llewellyn Bros. Inc.

Jones, who is currently the president of the Lake-Lehman School Board and was recently re-elected to another term, accepted the task of assuming the role of GoalPOST Petie cheerfully at the beginning of the 1985 football season.

He has played the role of GoalPOST Petie very capably for the past 10 weeks, studying the contests each week and selecting his choices very carefully.

GoalPOST Petie kept his identity a secret from most Back



JOSEPH "RED" JONES

Mountain fans but no doubt had many of them disagree with his predictions. His record to date in selecting winners each week attests to the serious consideration he gave to the task.

Who will win? Just try tossing a coin

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The contest for the Old Shoe will end the Wyoming Valley Conference competition for the Back Mountain Schools with the winning team taking possession of the Shoe until they play again next year.

Who will win the Shoe this Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Mountaineers Stadium? The Lake-Lehman Knights hold a 4-1 record in Division AAA of the Conference and the Dallas Mountaineers are 4-1 going into the Old Shoe Game. They are the Division AA Champions in the Conference. Last season the Knights completed the league season with a 3-4 record and the Mountaineers ended with a 1-6 record, both teams in Division AA.

The Knights took home the Shoe after last season's game by shutting out the Mountaineers 33-0.

Realignment of the Conference into three divisions rather than two resulted in the teams being placed in different divisions. Lake-Lehman was in Division AAA with Crestwood, Bishop Hoban, Bishop O'Reilly, Northwest and West Side Tech while Dallas was in Division AA with GAR, Meyers, Nanticoke, Tunkhannock and Hanover Area. Despite the fact that both teams outside of their divisions it would be impossible to predict the outcome of the Old Shoe game based on those results since, in most cases, the teams were not similar in number, size, experience, or strengths. Most Back Mountain fans are reluctant to predict because they know that the

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