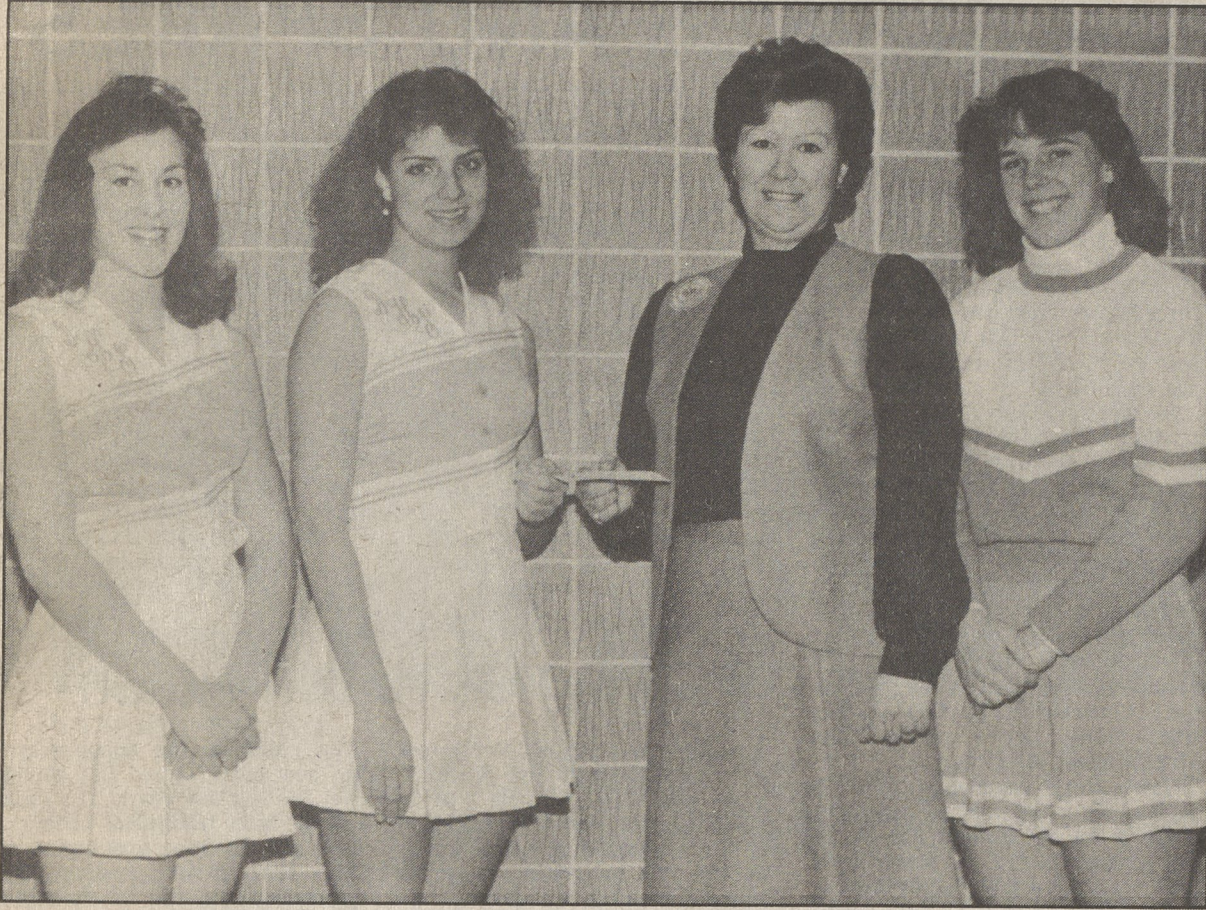




# Sports



## Check presented

The Dallas Area Federated Womens Club is one of several Back Mountain organizations and businesses who have made contributions to the Dallas High School Cheerleaders. In February the Senior Varsity and Junior Varsity Squads will be competing in Orlando, Florida, in the Universal Cheerleading Association's National Championship. Shown above receiving the donation from Shirley Smith, the President of the Dallas Womens Club, are from left to right, Lori Timek and Linda King, Co-Captains of the Varsity Cheerleaders, Mrs. Smith and Shaunna Griffin, Co-Captain of the Junior Varsity Squad.

## Comets scare Dallas girls

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
Staff Correspondent

Coach Kit Karuza's Dallas High School cagers held a 56-32 lead going into the fourth quarter of their game with Crestwood, Friday, at the Back Mountain school, but nearly lost the game as the Comets outscored them 18-3 and came within three points of tying the game and going into overtime.

The Dallas girls played a strong first three quarters with Karen Vloedman scoring 15 points and turning in what Karuza considers her best performance of the season. Vloedman was outstanding on both offense and defense. She had help from Joanne Cook, who connected for 12 points, seven of them in the second period, to play a major role in the Lady Mountaineers 34-21 half-time lead.

### HELD HIGH SCORERS

The Dallas girls also did a great job in holding two of Crestwood's leading scorers, Cassie Hudock and Kelli Rowker to only 13 points between them.

It was in the fourth period that Dallas nearly got burned. Leading 50-34 with nearly eight minutes remaining in the game, the Mountaineers began turning the ball over, giving the Comets the opportunity to score.

### COMETS RUN

With less than three minutes left in the game, Comet Lynn Coslett scored two points to cut the Lady Mountaineers lead to 51-44. The Comets began a run on the Mountaineers but began to miss shots. They came to within three points when Coslett put in another layup with four seconds on the clock.

Dallas took over and managed to hold the ball to run out the clock.

A key factor against the Comets was that Becky Cooper was out of the game most of the time because of fouls. She was out for good in the third period. That hurt the Comets on the boards since the Mountaineers are taller.

### COLD ON LINE

The Mountaineers were cold at the foul line hitting for only 15 of 36 and converting only 3-10 in the final period. The Dallas girls failed to make a field goal in the final quarter.

### DALLAS COOLED

In Tuesday's game with the Lady Grenadiers, the Mountaineers took a 32-26 lead into the lockerroom at halftime but a change in defense by the Grenadiers cooled down the Lady Mountaineers and the GAR girls took the game 64-54.

GAR's win was the first time the Grenadiers defeated the Dallas teams in the past five years. The win gave GAR a 2-0 record for the second half while Dallas dropped to 1-1.

### STYLE CHANGE

GAR Coach Evans changed his style of play in the game. He explained that he has always come out using a full court press but he noticed by the final quarter his girls were dying. He said they were missing shots and appeared tired so in the Dallas game he had them use a 2-3 in the first half then used the press in the second half.

Evans' strategy worked since his girls stayed close to Dallas in the first half, then poured it on in the second half. GAR's Carol Fiasick gave her team four points with two outside shots, then Kim Skrepnek stole the ball and converted a three-

point play to bring the Grenadiers within one point of Dallas. By the end of the third quarter, GAR was leading 44-42 but Tammy Daveski hit two for Dallas to tie the score at 44.

### USE PRESS WELL

The Grenadiers used the press which they use so well to force Dallas turnovers and soon went in front 55-48. Dallas fought back as Vloedman who led Dallas with 19 points, scored two points and Lori Brokenshire scored to bring Dallas to within three points with 2:21 left in the game. But the Grenadiers wanted the win too bad and used aggressive play to reel off nine points to put the game away.

Lori Brokenshire added 10 points to Vloedman's 19 in a losing cause.

### OVERTIME WIN

Lake-Lehman forced Northwest into overtime Friday night, and Pam Coolbaugh scored four points in the overtime period to give the Lady Knights a 48-46 win.

Coolbaugh redeemed herself for missing a shot in the final seconds of regulation time when she grabbed a rebound and dribbled the length of the court. Her converted layup did not beat the buzzer but she was fouled. She took her place at the foul line, took a deep breath and shot. She missed and the game ended in a 44-draw.

In the three minute overtime, Coolbaugh got another chance. On the Knights possession, Coolbaugh was at the top of the key, looking to pass. Instead, she drove down for an easy two points to put the Knights in front 46-44.

The Rangers Louise Chicerchia, who had 21 points, tied the score but with 1:13 left on the clock Coolbaugh was fouled again.

This time the young Knight was successful in blocking out the noise from the Rangers bench and she made both ends of the one-and-one to give the Knights the 48-46 win.

### KNIGHTS ROUTED

The Knights were routed 80-35 Tuesday in their game with Meyers. The Mohawks had their five starters hit in the double figures with Rosaline Reeves high scorer with 24 points and 23 rebounds. Donna Serafini hit 15 points and 13 rebounds and Karen Monko hit for 11 points. Jill McGuire and Cheryl Naessig each had 12 points.

## Walsh is honored at King's

A Back Mountain resident has been honored at King's College by the Eastern College Athletic Conference by being named to the weekly Division III honor roll.

Gaining the first selection of the season by a distaff cager was Kathy Walsh, 5'8" sophomore forward from Dallas.

Walsh, a steady influence on Coach Robin Cummins' squad when the going gets tough, became the first Lady Monarch honored by the ECAC this campaign.

She played a key role in King's 66-60 upset win over powerful Susquehanna last week and starred in two other wins over Wilkes at home in an 80-78 thriller and over Upsala in New Jersey.

A transfer from Kent State University, Walsh is majoring in communications at King's.

In WWC

## Back Mountain cage teams in six-way tie

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
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Dallas Mountaineers and Lake-Lehman Knights each won one and lost one last week to move into a six way tie with Crestwood, GAR, Wyoming Seminary and Hanover Area, all of them with a 2-1 record.

Dallas, after losing 62-35 to the GAR Grenadiers last Tuesday night, came back to play Crestwood Friday night and won a tight game 58-56 in the final nine seconds.

### STRONG GAME

The Mountaineers played a strong offensive and defensive game in the first half of the Crestwood game to take an 11 point halftime lead, 33-22. In the second half Crestwood came out with determination and played a more aggressive offense. They also improved their defense and cut the Mountaineers lead to 41-38 at the end of the third period. They went in front 51-50 in the fourth quarter when Comet Jim McGovern hit two points with only two minutes remaining.

A few seconds later, the Mountaineers took over the lead when Tim Lyons connected on two free throws to give his team a 52-51 lead. Then

Bob O'Donnell picked up two points with 32 seconds left in the game to give the Mounts a 56-51 lead.

### WITHIN ONE

Crestwood came within one point when McGovern hit for a deuce from the free stripe. With the Mountaineers leading 56-54, Mountaineer Mike Luksic hit for two points to move Dallas to 58-54.

The Comets Tom Benz hit on a jumper shot as the buzzer went off but it went uncontested with the final score 58-56.

### DACOSIN HIGH

Dennis Dacosin was high scorer for the Mountaineers with 18 points, eight of them in the first period and the Mountaineers took advantage of Comet turnovers to end the first period with a 20-7 score. O'Donnell had 12 points and Tim Lyons tossed in 10 points.

Dallas Coach Clarence Ozgo said it was a big win for his boys especially coming off their defeat by GAR earlier in the week. "For the boys to beat Crestwood on their floor is a big win. O'Donnell has been an outstanding foul shooter all year and we know we can count on him under pressure."

After losing to Crestwood last

week, GAR's Coach John Hopkins knew his Grenadiers were down but also knew they would play with a deep intensity, that they had to prove they earned their first half title.

There is no doubt that they proved it as they connected for 26 of 35 shots from the field led by their big center Greg Skrepnek who tossed in shots for 19 points.

### HALFTIME LEAD

GAR had a 21-10 lead at half time despite the Mountaineers playing their game plan to perfection. The only flaw in the first half was that the Dallas men were able to score only 10 points.

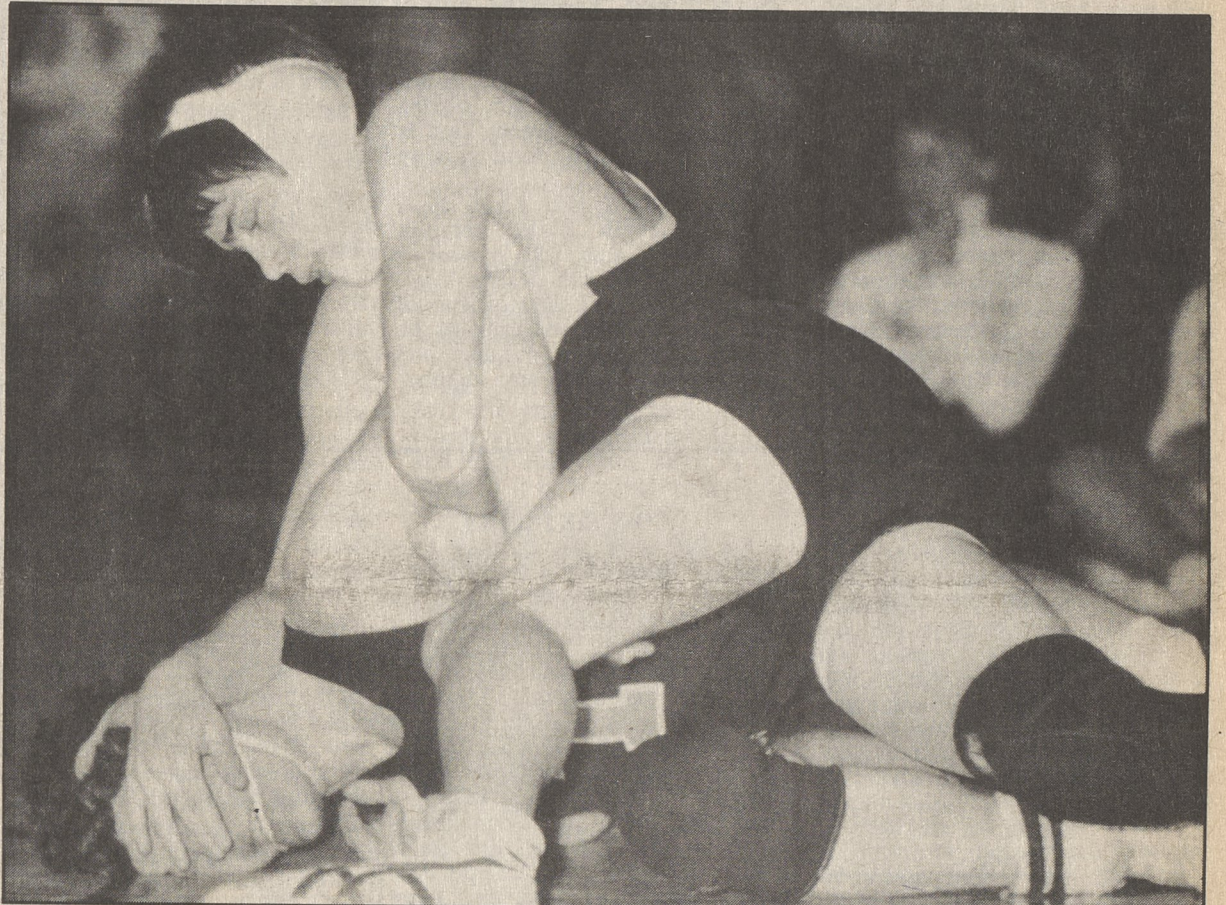
The Grenadiers did most of their scoring from the outside and in the second half took over full control. Skrepnek, Bill Callahan and John Snyder hit for 19, 14 and 12 points.

In the second half the Grenadiers played a zone defense which kept the Mountaineers from scoring.

Mike Luksic, coming off the bench, was high scorer for Dallas with 10 points. The Mountaineers played without forward Tim Moyer who was out with a virus.

Coach Ozgo gave no excuses for

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## In control

Lake-Lehman grappler Bob Guzinski is in complete control of his opponent, Charles Brooks of West Side Tech as Guzinski prepares to register a pin during Wyoming Valley Wrestling Conference action last week.

Dallas Post/Earl Weidner

## Knights win 10 bouts to defeat West Side Tech

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
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Lake-Lehman High School wrestlers won 10 of their 12 bouts with West Side Tech, Saturday, using six pins, a forfeit and three decisions to defeat the Titans 52-11. The win upped the Knights record to 8-1, their only loss to the undefeated Wyoming Warriors.

98-lb. Sean Wandel gave the Knights three points when he decided Paul Wishinski 9-6 and 105 Mark Roginski moved the team score to 9-0 by pinning Wishinski 9-6 and 105 Mark Roginski moved the team score to 9-0 by pinning Devan Mays in 22 seconds.

The Titans had some hope when their 112-lb. John Hopkins flattened Tony Monaco in 1:46.

### GUZENSKI WINS

With the score 9-6, 119-lb. Dave Guzinski moved the Knights to 15-6 by clamping Titan Heath Drake in 3:48. The Titans picked up five points in the next bout when their 126-lb. Bill Bower bested Chris Frederick in a superior 13-0 decision.

That was the end for the Titans as the middle and heavier weight Knights began to string out wins over their opponents. 132-lb. Joe Smith decided Titan Rick Bower 4-2 to move the score to 18-11 and 138 Knight Bob Guzinski turned over Charles Brooks in 3:38 moving the team score to 24-11. 145-lb. Mark Yaple gave the Knights six team points by upending Bob Tofer in 1:44.

### SPENCER WINS DECISION

Leading 30-11, 155-lb. Knight Don Spencer decided Paul Feeney 10-0 to move the team score to 34-11. 167-lb. Bill George barely stepped out of the middle of the mat when he took down and clamped John Spencer in 10 seconds to give the Knights a 40-11 team score.

185-lb. Scott Shafer flattened Titan Harry Loeffler in 3:13 and Hwt. Ed Stratford added six points to the Knights team score, 52-11 on a forfeit by the Titans.

### BEAT HOBAN

Earlier in the week, the score was almost identical as the Black Knights routed Bishop Hoban 52-9, taking all but two bouts four of them by pins. They also picked up 12 points on forfeits, six on a default and the rest on decisions.

98-lb. Matt Reinert started the winning for the Knights by pinning Jim Lamoreaux in 45 seconds and 105-lb. Mark Rogowski took a five point superior 14-1 decision from Mark Zweibel. 112-lb. Jeff Austin flattened Ed Ciprich in 5:21.

Leading 17-0 the Knights 119-lb. Dave Guzinski lost an exciting 3-2 bout to Hoban's Dan Minnaugh and 126-lb. Argent Dennis Zeveney was leading 16-0 at the time.

### LEHMAN WINS REST

The rest of the bouts went to the Knights with 132-lb. Joe Smith winning by forfeit, 138-lb. Bob Guzinski adding six for a technical fall, 15-0, over Jack Perfetto, 145-lb. Ty Shaw clamping Eric Haines in 3:15, and 155-lb. upending Bob Davison in 48 seconds.

167-lb. Bill George took a close 5-4 bout from Joe Sudo and 185-lb. Scott Shafer took a 7-5 decision from Joe's brother Dave Sudo. Hwt. Ed Stratford added the final six pins on a forfeit.

### LOSE TO BULLDOGS

In an exhibition meet with the Berwick Bulldogs, the Knights were in control of the meet, Friday, Jan. 31, until the Bulldogs took four bouts, 145 through 185 to clinch a win, 29-27 over the Lake-Lehman Knights.

It was C. Curry's 5-1 decision over 185-lb. Scott Shafer that insured the win for Berwick.

98-lb. Matt Reinert gave the Knights six points on a forfeit and 105-lb. Jeff Austin took a superior 16-4 decision from the Bulldogs Thrash. With the score 11-0, 112-lb. Dave Guzinski moved the Knights team score to 15-0 by defeating Bulldog Brian Beaver 17-8.

The Bulldogs put 12 points on the board after the next two bouts when 119-lb. Junior Lawalt took a technical 17-2 fall from Terry Smith and 126-lb. Frank Wallick flattened Chris Frederick in 3:44.

Leading 15-12 132-lb. Knight Joe Smith moved the team score to 18-12 by taking John McAfee 6-1 and 138 lb. Bob Guzinski made it 21-12 with a 13-6 over Len Armstrong.

### DISASTER SPELLED

The next four bouts spelled disaster for the Knights with 145-lb. Kurt Reider taking a major 13-3 decision from Ty Shaw, 155-lb. Bill Knorr taking a major 11-3 decision from Don Spencer, 167-lb. Bill Arbogast overturning Bill George in 2:38 and 185-lb. Coz Curry defeating Scott Shafer 5-1 to move the Bulldogs to 29.

Hwt. Ed Stratford clamped Carl Major in 3:10 but the best it did was give the Knights 27 for the final 29-27 win for Berwick.

### FIVE PINS WINS IT

In an exhibition meet, Thursday, Jan. 30, Coach Larry Schuler's Mountaineers used five pins and a technical foul to trounce the visiting Valley View Cougars 55-12.

The Mountaineers piled up a 33-0 lead by taking the first six bouts before 138-lb. Randy Kordish took a technical foul over Mountaineer Brian Maseychik in 4:19 leading 15-0 at the time.

98-lb. Jim O'Donnell gave the Mounts their first six points with a 20-5 technical fall over Tom Leach in

(See KNIGHTS, page 10)



Dallas Post/Ed Campbell

## Height advantage

Angie Kern of the Dallas girls' basketball team has the height advantage over her Crestwood opponent as the two battle for the ball here in a Wyoming Valley Conference game last week.