SPORTS



OFF TO A GOOD START - The Penn State Wilkes-Barre Baseball team enjoyed a successful Spring Training trip to florida where they finished 7-3, with a whopping .357 batting average. The team opens at Penn State Hazleton on March 25, at 12 noon. Shown front row, from left, Tommy J. Kashatus, Tom Palfey, Gary Scruitsky, Randy Coolbaugh

Standing, Coach Joe Phillips, Dennis Butler, Stefan Strauser, Shawn Williams, Troy Creech, Rick Vargason, and Brett Wambold. Missing from photo is Brad Harvey.

Penn State team off to strong start

The Penn State Wilkes-Barre Baseball Team this week returned from a 10-game spring training trip to Cocoa Beach, Florida. Head Coach Joe Phillips' team finished 7-3 overall, outscoring their opponents 95 to 57, and connecting for 17 homeruns. The team batting average was a whopping .357 (96 for 269) on the road. The team also stole 33 out of 36 bases. The games were played against teams from Penn State's Capital, Ogontz, Shenango Vallev and Berks campuses.

Penn State was the smallest team having only 12 players. Each played a major role in their

led the team with a .538 batting average, going 14 for 26, with 3

Sophomore Tom Palfey led the team with four homeruns and went 12 for 26 at the plate to finish with a .462 batting

Strikes 'n' spares

Fashion Vending took three points

from Grotto Pizza in the Ladies Coun-

try League led by C.I. Smith's 191-183 (526) and V. Patton's 182. J.

Lamoreaux's 170 (487) was high for

the pizza team. M. Faux rolled 199

(496) to lead Back Mountain Bowl to three games from Faux Inn whose

high scorer was L. Cyphers with 171.

Castlettes copped three from G.H.

Harris with no one on either team able

In the Charlie Williams Memorial

Pague Mountain Stream Construc-

tion shut out Roth Novelty paced by R.

Clemow's 237-247 (661) and S. Vigo-

rito's 228 (618). K. Orkwis gave 248 (604), F. Cornell hit 545 and J. Brady

scored 531. R. Shoemaker's 557 was

high for Roth and L. Coolbaugh con-

tributed 549. Monk Plumbing picked

up three points from Jedidia's sparked

by F. Tregan's 572, B. Bolton's 564

and T. Considine's 226 (546). C.

Greeney hit 545 for the restaurant

men. R. Andrasko knocked down pins

for 231 (598) and T. Ruger rolled 244

(552) to lead Offset Paperback's to

three points from G.H. Harris. C. Ka-

zokas hit 577 and D. Purvin 222 (573)

for the Harris five. Back Mt. Auto Body

Shop picked up three points from the

Back Mt. Bowl led by a. Parrish's 222

(610) and R. Orkwis' 520. R. Harris

rolled 562, D. Moore posted 554 and

B. Searfoss hit 238 (547) for the Bowl

five. Cross Country Restaurant copped

three from Varsity Lawn Care aided by

B. Fisher's 601 and S. Wickard's 575.

D. Wickard added 560. D. Thomas hit

543 for the lawn care team.

to hit high scores.

average and 10 RBI's.

lowed with a .407 batting average, 9 RBI's, and 3 homeruns.

added a .381 batting average (8 for 21) with 3 home runs and led the team with 12 RBI's.

Sophomore Ric Vargason had a .375 batting average (9 for 24) and led the team in doubles

.391 batting average (9 for 23) led the way to victory in the first game against Capitol campus where he went 4 for 5 with a homerun.

added a .304 batting average (7 for 23) and stole 5 out of 5

the way to victory in the eighth game where he went 3 for 3 with two stolen bases

Freshman Gary Scruitsky

Bad News Bowlers blanked Taft

Market in Native Textiles League

paced by R. Clemow's 559 and B.

Clemow's 170 and the Road Runners

shut out the Alley Cats paced by H.

Sidorek's 170. R. Shoemaker knocked

down pins for 179 (616) and D. Miller

hit them for 226 (599) to lead the

Ballbusters to four points from the Wild

Pins. Karen Schooley added 554. Beer

Bowlers picked up three points from

the Sandbaggers despite their Terri

Williams rolling 183-205-180 (568).

Hopeless Cause split 2-2 2ith Pin-

In the Sunday Night Couples

League Moore's took all from Wilson's

helped by Ann Wilson's 170 (474) and

D. Moore's 531. Donna Booth hit 471

for the losing team. Barb Strazdus'

204 (504) paced Matthews to three

points from Booth's whose team could

not hit high scores. Shaver's and Nice's

divided equally with H. Shaver scoring

582 for his team. P. Nice rolled 232

(513) and Marcia Matthews hit 222

the Sunday Night Mixed League with

Larry hitting 548 and Destroyers took

four from the Eagles led by Bonnie's

182 (492). Twice Shy copped three

from Noctur De Force sparked by Joe's

223 (555) and Lou rolled 511 for the

out Porky, Wheezer blanked Mickey,

Buckwheat took all from Stymie, Al-

falfa picked up three points from Butch

and Chubby divided 2-2 with Spanky. High scorers were K. Bevan 225 (585),

In Our Gang League Spike shut

The Saints blanked the Toads in

(475) for the Nice's team.

Noctur team.

heads whose G. Strazdus hit 559.

added two homeruns and a .292

Freshman Troy Creech was tied for the team lead in walks (9) and added a .294 batting average (5 for 17).

Freshman Stefan Strauser tied Scruitsky for the team lead in walks (9). His best day came in a key performance in the second game against Shenango Valley campus where he drove in 3 RBI's to break the game

Freshman Randy Coolbaugh sparked a rally in the fifth game versus Shenango in which he hit a grand slam and drove in 5

The team enjoyed a once-inlifetime moment as they observed the space shuttle Atlantis blast off from its launching

The team will open on Sunday, March 25, at Penn State Hazleton with a doubleheader starting at 12 noon.

F. Mihalick 217 (547), Donna Pifcoski

178, Doris Smith 181, Annette Tregan

178-193-203 (574), Marie Carkhuff

170, M. Carkhuff 549, Doreen Jenkins

189 (499), E. Dingle 544, Dorothy

League, all teams but two swept their

series. Black Sheep shut out the Mules,

Longhorns blanked Thoroughbreds,

Barn Cats took all from the Chickies

but the Ugly Ducklings managed only

Connie Doty 178-180 (501), Arlene

Hospodar 173, W. Wesley 222 (594),

M. Delaney 568, W. Lathrop, J.

Grohowski 540, L. Coolbaugh 524,

Barbara May 204 (486), B. Neiman

202, D. Neiman 520, J. McAndrew

Native Textile League the Wild Pins

took four from Taft Market with the aid

of W. Ide's 236 (567) and D. Edmun-

son's 549. Hopeless Cause picked up

three from the Alley Cats led by E.

Engleman's 510 and the Ball Busters

copped three from the Roadrunners

paced by G. Schooley's 591, R. Shoe-

maker's 573. Helen Sidorek hit 184

(473) for the Runners. Bad News

Bowlers took three from the Sand-

baggers aided by R. Clemow's 591. K.

Clemow's 518 and Camille Jones 170.

Terri Williams rolled 473 for the losing

five. The Beer Bowlers split with the

Pin Heads with Dale Swan posting

515 for the Pin Heads and Robin

Teetsel scoring 228 for the Beer

In a second week of bowling in the

three from the Turkeys.

High rollers were

522, and L. Lanning 188.

Larson 180 and Cindy Olson 170.

Ray Rosencrans and J. J. Konigus going on to state wrestling meet

By CHARLOT M. DENMON Staff Writer

Lake-Lehman Junior Ray Rosencrans won the 189-lb. Northeast Regional wrestling crown Saturday night at Williamsport by defeating GAR's Joe Ebert 10-2 in the final bout.

Rosencrans moved into the finals when he defeated Hughesville Kevin Breneisen 15-8 in overtime Saturday afternoon in the semi-final. Friday night he defeated Darryn Ryder of Line Mountain 7-2 to move ahead.

The win qualifies Rosencrans for the state competition which begins at Hershey this Thursday.

Senior J.J. Konigus also made it to the finals but lost 6-0 to Hwt. Rich Snyder of Mifflinburg to settle for second. Konigus made it to the finals by taking a major 15-2 decision from Central Columbia's Steve Lewis in the semi-finals and

in the preliminaries he took a major 15-4 decision from Hwt. Chris Fabian of Liberty.

Both Rosencrans and Konigus will go to the states since the top three in each weight class ad-

Co-coaches Tom Williams and Phil Lipski are proud of the showing made by their wrestlers this

"We have a young squad, most of them undergraduates, who will be back next year. Regionals are very tough; the kids are going against the best in their weights. We had a good showing in the opening round with 10 of our boys advancing to Saturday's competition. Eight of those boys will be back next year," Williams said.

"Six of the 10 who advanced won at least one match which gives them the experience they need. If you have one or two win or place in regionals, you can be proud of them. Some of our boys were freshmen or sophomores and we are very proud of them.

We knew we had a bunch of dedicated and hard-working kids when the season started but they surprised us by going as far as they have," Williams explained. "Now with a lot of hard work and a little luck, we hope we can bring back a state champ. This weekend will tell."

Knights who advanced to the semi-finals last week at regionals were 112-lb. Charley Roper; 135lb. Jason Naugle; 140-lb. Dave Konopke; 152-lb. Mike Geurin; 189-lb. Ray Rosencrans and Hwt. J.J. Konigus.

Also advancing to wrestle back and make the consolations were 125-lb. Charlie Jacoby and 171lb. P.J. Goodwin. Both lost in the

outstanding performance.
Freshman Shawn Williams

homeruns and 11 RBI's.

Freshman Brad Harvey fol-He also stole 6 out of 7 bases. Sophomore T.J. Kashatus

Freshman Jeff Towle with a

Freshman Brett Wambold

Freshman Dennis Butler led

batting average (7 for 24).

Lady Mounts, Knights fall in playoffs

By CHARLOT M. DENMON Staff Writer

The Dallas and Lake-Lehman girls basketball teams did no better than the boys in the district playoffs last Wednesday night.

The Dallas Lady Mounts bowed to Tunkhannock in the final quarter when the Tigers dumped in 11 of 17 attempts from the foul line at Wyoming Area High School.

Both teams were even on goals from the field with each picking up 19, but the game was won from the free throw stripe with the Tigers making 14-for-22 while the Lady Mountaineers hit only 8-for-17.

The Tigers made a number of turnovers in the first half, but regrouped at the half and played a much more physical game. Pam Yanora and Sherri Grigas each tossed in 17 points, but it was Jodi Williams who surprised the Mountaineers by hitting the double figures column with 10 points for the

In the fourth quarter Grigas gave the Tigers the lead but freshman Tara Lisnow's scoring, including a

B'ball teams sought for CYC tourney In the Back Mountain Farmers

The Wyoming Valley CYC is now accepting teams for their Sixth Basketball Tournament. This year's action will begin on Saturday, March 31. Games will be played throughout the following week. The finals are set for the weekend of April 7 and 8.

The tourney will be single elimination with the first place team in each division receiving a team trophy and individual trophies. A most valuable player will also be awarded in each division.

Rosters should be turned in by Wednesday, March 28. A limited number of teams are being taken so register early to ensure your team a spot. Players can be added to your roster throughout the tourney provided they have not played for another team in the tourney. Rules and roster can be picked up at the CYC, 36 S. Washington Street, Wilkes-Barre. For further information call 823-6121.

three-point shot, brought Dallas zur scored two points to tie the within three points.

The Lady Mounts, however, were unable to overtake the Tigers who were hot on free throws and went down 52-46 ending their season, while the Tigers advanced to meet Pittston Area Friday night at Bishop Hoban court.

LADY KNIGHTS BOW TO **DUNMORE IN OVERTIME**

Lake-Lehman's Lady Knights ran their game into overtime against Dunmore but Dunmore's JoAnn Fanning gave the Bucks the win by scoring seven points in the extra period to overtake the Knights lead. Fanning hit a gamehigh 29 points.

With only 36 seconds remaining in the regular game, and the Knights trailing 45-43, D.D. Ma-

score and send the game into over-

In overtime, Jen Smith scored to give the Knights a 47-45 lead but Fanning hit a three-point shot to give Dunmore a one-point lead. Then she hit a two point shot to give her team a 50-47 lead. But Wendy Skibitsky gave the Knights two points by hitting both ends of a one-and-one. With Dunmore leading by only one, the Knights Heidi Wenrich failed to make a one-and-one and Dunmore took the ball and began to stall, but Fanning gave the Bucks the win by scoring on a one-and-one with only seconds on the clock.

Dunmore advanced to play Riverside Friday and the Knights advanced to play Carbondale for the No. 3 seed Friday night.



Back Mountain boys place in tourney

The Back Mountain Wrestling Club held their tournament on Sunday, Feb. 25. Despite the weather the turnout was great. Total wrestlers were 355. The following boys from the Back Mountain Wrestling Coub placed:

First row, left to right, Ron Hartman, 50-lb. Pee Wee, 4th place; Paul John Walter, 40-lb. Pee Wee, 4th place; Brett Larson, 80-lb. Bantam, 4th place.

Second row, Bobby Duris, 62-lb. Junior, 4th place; Nick Raczkowski, 55-lb. Midget, 2nd place; Aaron Kubasik, 40-lb. Pee Wee, 1st place; Matt Gingo, 105-lb. Midget, 4th place; Mike Dombroski, 55lb. Pee Wee, 3rd place.

Third row, Harry Hazleton, Heavyweight Midget, 1st place; Allen Mosca, 74-lb. Junior; Matt Raczkowski, 62-lb. Junior, 1st place; Joey Farber, 130-lb. Junior, 1st place; Eric Maciejczak, 74-lb. Junior, 3rd place.

Absent from photo, Daniel Gurdock, 65-lb. Bantam, 4th place.

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