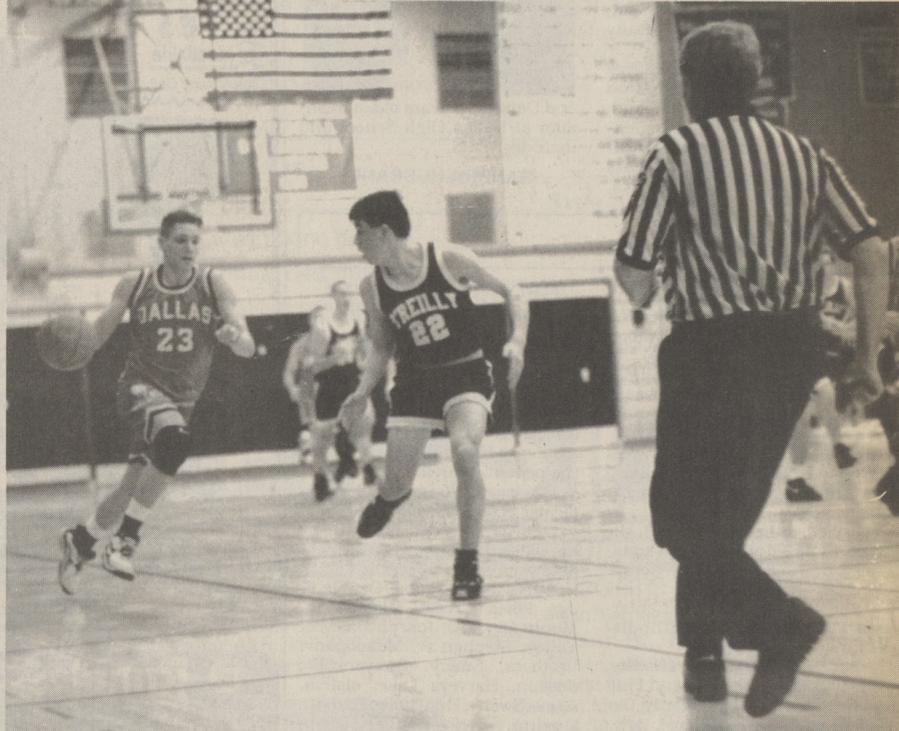


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The Dallas Mountaineers couldn't catch up against Bishop O'Reilly last week. In the action above, Jason Pleczynski brought the ball upcourt against O'Reilly pressure. At left, Jeff Kunkle is about to lay it in for two points. Kunkle scored eight points in the game.

Mounts start cold against O'Reilly

13-point first half is too much to overcome

The Dallas Mountaineers couldn't overcome a disastrous

first half, and fell 78-44 to Bishop O'Reilly last Thursday.

Dallas scored only six points in the first quarter and seven in the second, putting them in the hole 37-13 at halftime. The second half was better, although O'Reilly still outscored the Mounts 39-31 on the way to an easy win.

Rick Klick led Dallas with 15 points, including one 3-point goal, the only one for the team. He was followed by Jeff Kunkle with eight and J.P. Cosgrove with seven.

The Mountaineers will play in the Wyoming Valley West tournament Thursday, and will host Lake-Lehman Tuesday, Jan. 3.

Taroli takes last Power Points week

Garry Taroli of Dallas won the Power Points football contest for the second time, in the game's last installment. Taroli's score of 90 points was highest among local entrants.

The statewide winner was Jerry Klima of North Huntingdon, with a 106 point score, the lowest winner in several weeks. The average of 26 local winners in the state was only 88 points, the lowest of the entire contest.

As a local weekly winner, Taroli will receive \$25 cash from The Dallas Post, and a free month of HBO from contest co-sponsor Tele-Media.

The Power Points contest handed out a total of \$12,750 in prize money during the 17-week contest term, more than ever before. Locally, The Post paid out \$425 in prize money.

Barbacci named coach of year

College Misericordia field hockey coach Kim Barbacci has been named coach of the year in the Pennsylvania Athletic Conference.

In her seventh season at the helm of the Misericordia hockey program, Barbacci led the Cougars to their best season ever with a 15-3 record and the PAC championship.

Barbacci was a three-sport standout at Lake-Lehman High School and played field hockey and softball at Bloomsburg University.

College Misericordia x-country upgraded

After competing on a sub-varsity basis during the 1994 season, College Misericordia's men's and women's cross-country teams have earned varsity status, according to Dr. Michael Mould, Misericordia athletic director.

Misericordia athletics now sponsors 14 men's and women's varsity sports: cross-country, basketball, soccer and swimming, women's field hockey, volleyball, softball and cheerleading, and men's golf and baseball.



Renegades near perfect in Jersey Shore tourney

The U-14 Back Mountain Renegades soccer team recently participated in the Jersey Shore Halloween Clash Point Tournament held in Point Pleasant, New Jersey.

Out of a possible 30 points the Renegades scored 29. They scored 27 goals and had 1 goal scored against them. The team beat the Point Pleasant Yellow Jackets 8-0, Holmdel Stallions 13-0 and Drum Point Rangers 6-1, earning their first place in the tournament.

Members of the team from left are, first row, Josh Dukas, Brandon Cook, Johnathan Kanarr, David Walters, Jonathan Kertesz, Chris Natrass; second row, Rich Samanas, Daniel Nichols, Russ Wenrich, Nathan Walters, Matt Kertesz, Seth Moyer, Jeff Kernag and Neil Dymond; third row, assistant coach Chuck Kanarr and coach Joe Kernag.



Kiwanis tourney aids Geisinger

The Dallas Kiwanis Club members recently held its annual golf tournament to benefit the Pennsylvania Kiwanis Children's Heart Center at the Geisinger Medical Center in Danville. Watching Ed Wilson putt are team members Walter Roberts, Jack Barbose and Paul McCue.

Butcofski, Straigis named to AP all-state first team

Rich Butcofski and Marty Straigis were named to the 1994 Associated Press Pennsylvania Small School all-state first team last week.

Butcofski, a linebacker and fullback was picked for the defensive spot on the list. He had been selected the Most

Valuable Player in the Wyoming Valley Conference Division II, and was second team all-state selection last season.

Straigis, who also was on the second team last year, was chosen in the offensive tackle position.

Sports roundup

BOYS BASKETBALL

Dallas 39 - Seton Catholic 47

Despite a 21-18 lead at the half the Mounts allowed Seton to pull out a 39-47 win December 20. Juniors Ted Jackson and J.P. Cosgrove chipped in nine apiece for Dallas. Ed Thomas hit eight points including one three point shot.

Lehman 59 - Wyo. Sem. 67

It took two overtime periods for the Blue Knights to finally edge out Lehman 67-59 December 20. Tim Waslick drove in a whopping 30 points including three 3-point shots. Seminary shifted into high gear in the final overtime to outshoot Lehman 12-7 and capture the win.

Lehman 66 - W.S. Tech 49

Ray Bartosh hit the long shot December 21 aiding Lehman in a 66-49 win over Tech. Bartosh drilled 11 points including three 3-point shots. Tim Brislin led the Lehman attack racking up 14 points.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Lehman 56 - W.S. Tech 9

The Lady Knights ran up a 33-3 score at the half and never let up

as they crushed Tech, December 22, 56-9. Kelly Spenser dominated the court nailing 14 points including one from the 3-point range.

Dallas 43 - Bishop O'Reilly 59

Robin Suda was seven of 10 from the line and hit a game high 15 points on the night but could not lead the Lady Mounts to a victory December 22 against O'Reilly. Adrienne Camp and Holly Baseski contributed nine apiece for the Mounts who lost 59-43.

Dallas 34 - Abington Heights 64

The Lady Comets sailed past the Mount defense December 26 racking up 64 points to the Dallas 34, at the John Munley Tournament December 26. Sara Barlow and Adrienne Camp shared the high score honors for the Lady Mountaineers tossing in eight each.

WRESTLING

Lehman 71 - Nanticoke 0

The Knight matmen used five pins and five forfeits to claim victory over visiting Nanticoke 71-0, December 20. Eric Maciejczak, Mike Stuart, Brian Butler, Tony Tereska, Vito Pilosi all pinned their opponents to secure a victory.

Winter programs start at 'Y'

The Greater Pittston YMCA announces the beginning of the early winter programs for all ages. Special programs for youths and adults, including sports, crafts and nutrition will be offered. Call 655-2255 for more information.

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