

Rogers

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The only senior on Lake-Lehman's roster, Amy is the daughter of Theresa and Warren Rogers of Shavertown. She first started playing in an elementary school league in fifth grade. Her dad was one of the coaches and very instrumental in getting her involved in basketball.

"He got me interested," said Rogers. "I really liked it and kept on playing."

Amy has been contributing to the Lehman varsity squad for four years including the last three as a starter at her familiar forward position. Amy averaged six points a game as a sophomore and increased that to 9.4 last season. So far as a senior she's averaging just over 13 points and eight rebounds per contest.

Amy usually draws a crowd when she has the ball, but has also drawn rave reviews from coaches around the Wyoming Valley Conference. She was elected to the Yozwiak Tournament team each of the past two years. Only five girls are selected to this prestigious team which competes during the holiday break at Bishop O'Reilly High School.

While the awards continue to pile up, Amy is always looking for ways to improve by taking in a basketball game whenever she can. Rogers is always trying something new in practice, whether it's something she saw on television or at a camp.

"She's always the first one on the floor, with a ball in her hand," said Morgan.

While Amy appears to be a natural, some parts of her game came by way of hard work and the help of Morgan and assistant coach Michael Sharok.

"She's had to work on her shot," Morgan said.

"Mr. Morgan always tells me to go straight up because I like to fade away and no one can beat me the way I jump," said Rogers.

"This year I've also been working on three pointers. I haven't shot them a lot in the game, but I've been practicing a lot because we have mostly an inside game."

The team captain also takes her role very seriously and tries to lead the underclassmen by example.

"I had a lot of pressure on me being the only senior," said Rogers. "I had to step up another level. I didn't want to let them down. I had to pick up my game more; be a better player."

Amy's attitude spills over into the classroom.



Kelly Spenser drove for the basket past Kelly spenser's pick in Lake-Lehman's game against Hanover last week.

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"When you walk into a study hall she's (one of the students) that has her nose in a book," Morgan said.

Currently ranked number 17 in her class, Amy plans to study physical therapy in college. With a number of schools in mind, a lot of her decision depends on whether she'll be able to play basketball or softball.

"Amy is a very good basketball player, but even a better person."

Richard Morgan
Lake-Lehman girls' coach

Her number one concern, however, is physical therapy and the sport that wins out depends how well it fits in with her classwork. If neither sport is workable Amy will just participate in intramural activities.

Amy's softball career started in third grade, again with the help of her dad. An older sister, Leeann, was also quite a soft-

ball player for the Lady Knights. Amy plays third base and shortstop on the diamond and has twice been voted to the all scholastic team.

"My fielding is a little better," said Rogers. "I have a strong arm and I love diving."

That in itself is quite a statement: Amy was fifth in the league in batting average last season.

During the fall she also lettered in field hockey. Amy started a few games, but her main contribution was filling in at a number of positions.

It's easy to see why she was voted "Most Athletic Female" of this year's senior class.

Amy is very thankful for the support she has received at Lake-Lehman both in the classroom and on the court over the years. If she could change anything she would be a year younger and play basketball for Lehman in 1995-96.

"I wish I was here another year," said Rogers. "They (the underclassmen) have a lot of potential. They're really young and they're a great bunch of kids."

This year Amy has provided

Lake-Lehman with a marquee player, but her biggest contribution may be seen a year or two down the line. She's been an inspiration for Lehman's young squad.

"They appreciate her," said Morgan of his underclassmen.

"I had to step up another level. I didn't want to let them down."

Amy Rogers
Lake-Lehman team captain

And while the Lady Knights will be creating havoc for opponents over the next couple of years, it's pretty certain Amy Rogers will be somewhere dribbling a basketball, tossing a softball or participating in some sport.

It's an even safer bet that she'll be preparing for her contribution to society by studying physical therapy.

She'll also take the time to look up and give you a glimpse of the patented Amy Rogers smile.

Meyers' offense overpowers Dallas

By LEN KRYESKI
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On those occasions when the Meyers basketball team has had every part of their game functioning in top form, the Mohawks have stood out, far and away as the elite team of Division II in the Wyoming Valley Conference.

Unfortunately for the Dallas boys, the second half of Saturday night's contest in Wilkes-Barre was one of those occasions.

The competitive first half featured 10 lead changes, six ties and a 29-26 halftime lead for Meyers.

The Mohawks came out of the locker room a relentless bunch, however, scoring three easy buckets in the first 40 seconds of the third period. Meyers went on to scorch the nets for 43 second half points and came away with a 72-57 victory.

The Meyers offense was operating on all cylinders in the second half with Dave Januzzi and Josh Miracle shooting baskets from the outside and Damon Moore getting the points down low. All of their weapons were primed and ready to go as Kevin Gimble came off the bench to hit two three pointers and score twelve of his 14 points in the second half.

After the six point spot to begin the third quarter, Paul Bown and company called a time out and managed to get back to what was working in the first half. A couple of buckets inside from J.P. Cosgrove reduced the deficit to 35-30.

It was the closest Dallas would get in the second half as the Mohawk defense also remembered their half time adjustments by constantly denying the ball inside the remainder of the game and

grabbing every loose ball.

It also seemed the Mohawk flame would reignite whenever the Mounts chopped a couple of points off the lead or picked up any momentum. The final Dallas push came after Jason Pieczynski tapped in a missed three point shot by Ted Jackson and trimmed the lead to 50-43. Within seconds Meyers made three outside shots from the left of the key, two of them three pointers, and put the game out of reach.

The Dallas front court of Cosgrove, Pieczynski and Rich Klick supplied most of the heroics and points in the first half. The trio combined for 16 points, nine rebounds and a couple of steals in the opening sixteen minutes.

Trailing 15-14 Dallas grabbed the lead just before the conclusion of the first period when Ed Thomas stole the ball and passed it to Cosgrove. The 6'2" junior streaked the remainder of the court for an easy lay-up.

Dallas probably could have led at halftime as well, but missed a number of easy shots in the second quarter including some lay-ups.

Jackson once again took top scoring honors with 14 points. Fellow guard, Thomas chipped in three three pointers and 13 points.

Pieczynski finished with 10 points to go along with 12 rebounds. Cosgrove and Klick added 10 and eight points respectively.

Januzzi led all scorers with 17. Meyers now sits alone at the top of Division II and controls their own destiny in the second half.

A week earlier Dallas sat atop the standings, but now are hoping just to qualify for the post season. The Mounts are in third place with a 4-3 record in the second half and 11-14 overall.



Adrienne Camp was on the way to two points when Dallas met Meyers last Thursday. The Lady Mounts led at the end of the third quarter, but couldn't hang on for the win.

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Sports roundup

WRESTLING

Dallas 46 - W.S. Tech 18

The Mounts claimed 10 of 13 bouts in their victory over Tech Feb. 11. Chris Kuderka (140), Aaron Gingo (160) and Adam Hoover (171) all won by pins while Mike Heffron (119) won by major decision.

Dallas 24 - Pittston 39

Key bouts at the top weights leveled the Mount matmen Feb. 13 as they lost to Pittston 39-24. Mike Metz (112) and Mike Heffron (119) both secured pins early in the meet for Dallas but the bottom line could not overcome the power of the Patriots who won the final four bouts.

Lehman 63 - Wyoming Area 7

The Black Knights kept the winning tradition alive as the Lehman grapplers finished the regular season with a flawless 11-0 record. Lehman capped the season with a 63-7 victory over Wyoming Area Feb. 13. The win included seven pins from the Knights who advance to District II action.

Dallas 36 - Hanover 18

The Mount matmen decked four Hawks and tallied one major decision enroute to a 36-18 victory over Hanover, Feb. 8. Mike Heffron (119), John Crispell (130), Chris Kuderka (140) and Harry Hazeltine (Hwt.) each pinned their opponents while Steve Tomasura pulled out a major,

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Dallas 43 - Hanover 46

In their final regular season game the Lady Mounts fell to Hanover Feb. 13 as they lost 46-43. The game was highlighted by Robin Suda who stole the show for Dallas netting a game high 19 points and the 1,000th of her career. Despite the loss the Mountaineers will now advance to the Division II Class AAA playoffs at a date and time to be announced.

Lehman 37 GAR 49

Adrienne Miroslaw and Kelly Spenser combined for 25 points for the Knights but could not slow the GAR offense as Lehman lost 37-49 Feb. 13. Miroslaw and Spenser both sank two treys for

Lehman as they drop to 2-6 in the second half.

Dallas 34 - Meyers 40

The Lady Mounts dropped a 28-27 lead at the end of the third at the hands of Meyers Feb. 9. Both teams and Hanover entered the contest with identical 5-1 records and a tie for first in the Division II standings. The loss drops the Mounts to second as Hanover defeated Lehman that evening.

Hanover 47 - Lehman 36

Amy Rogers bucketed a game high 15 points for Lehman Feb. 9 as they fell to Hanover 47-36. The Lady Knights garnered eight of 11 from the line but could not sink the critical shots from the field to gain the lead.

Seton Hall, Georgetown, 'Nova tied for lead in Dallas youth basketball

This past Saturday Georgetown with a 9-1 record, entertained Seton Hall with a record of 8-2. At halftime the score was Seton Hall 20, Georgetown 11. In the third quarter Georgetown exploded with 14 points and played tight defense to hold Seton Hall to four points in the quarter. With 40 seconds left, John Lukasavage sank a 15 ft. jump shot to give Seton Hall the lead, which held on for the win.

For Seton Hall, Lukasavage had a game high 14 points, followed by Mike Domzalski with eight points. John Simonitis, Tony Van Horn, and Vito and Angelo Recchia played a fine defensive game.

Georgetown's attack was led by Matt Eyt with nine points, Patrick and Danny Mulhern seven points each. Seton Hall won by a score 30-29.

In other action, Villanova beat Pittsburgh 43-35. Leading the offense for Villanova was Justin Bicking with 18 points, followed by Pat Barnard with 13 points and Danny Fetko with six. Villanova improved its record to 9-2. Pittsburgh's well balanced offensive was led by John Nackley with 10 points, Paul Dougal with eight points and Chris Heister with seven points.

Other action had Miami beating Boston College. Jay Carroll

and Lloyd Droppers led the offensive for Miami. Tim Faneck and Andrew George led the attack for Boston College.

St. John's, led by Jared Karalunas, Herby Bressler and Jason Race, held Syracuse in check to record its fourth victory. Danny Krause had a fine defensive game for St. Johns. Syracuse offensive was led by Danny Laurenzi and T.C. Harding.

Last Wednesday Villanova beat Syracuse 46-17. Villanova's offensive was led by Justin Bicking with 19 points, followed by Danny Fetko with 12 points and Kevin

Piekara with six points.

Leading the defensive were Patrick Barnard in rebounds and Blake Saba in steals. Syracuse's offensive was led by Danny Laurenzi with seven points and T.C. Harding with four points. Steven Liperala and T.C. Harding were the defensive stars for Syracuse.

In other action, Georgetown won a hard fought 20-17 victory over Boston College. Matt Eyt led Georgetown's scoring with 10 points, followed by Fran Yanik with six points and Keith Sprau and Paul Saxon chipping with two points each.

Boston College was led by Andrew George with a game high

11 points followed by Tim Faneck with four points.

Seton Hall won a hard-fought victory in overtime to defeat St. Johns by a score of 34-28. The score at half time was St. Johns 15, Seton Hall 14. At the end of the third quarter it was St. Johns 27-17 over Seton Hall.

Buddy Shah and Mike Domzalski teamed up to score 11 unanswered points to take the lead late in the fourth quarter. With very little time remaining in the fourth quarter, Danny Krause tied the game, sinking one of two shots from the charity stripe.

The fourth quarter ended with

St. Johns and Seton Hall tied 28-28.

In the two minute overtime Seton Hall's Mike Domzalski and John Lukasavage combined for six points to seal the victory 34-28.

Seton Hall was led by a game high 15 points by Buddy Shah, followed by Mike Domzalski with 13 points and John Lukasavage with six points

St. Johns got a well balanced scoring attack from Jared Karalunas with nine points, Jason Race with six points, Herby Bressler with five points and Danny Krause with four points.