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Carrie Fetterman, in center, has had to spend this athletic season on the sidelines after a serious knee injury. The knee's getting better, and she may be able to run track.

Injury steals Carrie Fetterman's season

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DALLAS - Carrie Fetterman is that rare high school athlete who has won a varsity letter in three sports. Considering the combination of ability, skill, game experience and this being her senior campaign, you might figure she'd be having the time of her life; perhaps even being a go-to girl for more than one of the Dallas athletic squads.

But Carrie's name hasn't appeared in a line score or box score since last June. That's not to say it hasn't shown up in an actual score book - it has. Instead of being listed as a defender for Ron Moran's field hockey team or a guard on Kim Barbacci's basketball squad, Carrie has only been listed as the official scorekeeper on a couple of occasions.

Carrie suffered a knee injury while practicing field hockey for the Keystone State Games last year, and ever since her athletic

season has been relegated to cheerleader and scorekeeper. While she tops the team in the spirit department and keeps one of the more accurate score books, she could be doing more for her team on the field.

"Just watching I know I could help and just wish I could play," she said, "especially in the big games and against the stronger teams."

Carrie's knee injury is one dreaded by coaches, athletes and physicians alike; she tore the anterior cruciate ligament in her right knee. The first sign of a problem occurred a few years ago when her knee felt weak during a basketball game against Hanover. It felt fine for about a year, but gave out on her briefly during the first Keystone practice last summer.

It was again good for about a week, but disaster struck during the very last practice session. Going to the cage at an angle, Carrie's foot went out from under her and pain set in.

"I realize sports isn't always everything and I've really be working on academics this year."
Carrie Fetterman
Dallas senior

"Everybody told me it looked like I was falling in slow motion," she recalled.

Because the muscles around the knee have been reduced to a mush like substance, doctors told Carrie she would probably need about a year off from sports to recuperate and build the muscle back up. Upon returning to athletics she'll need wear a knee brace.

"I was really disappointed," Carrie said. "My teammates have helped a lot, especially at the beginning of the school year. They've kept me laughing and made me

feel like a part of the team. My family has been very supportive."

She did receive some good news recently. With nature's season of regrowth only a few days away, Carrie's athletic career may be blooming again. The ligament is just about healed and doctors have told her she may be able to resume her athletic career in about a month. Right now she needs to build her right thigh to the same size as her left.

That's also good news for Dallas track and field coach Bill Kvashay. Carrie runs the 100 and 200 meters in the spring and is also a member of the 4 by 100 and 4 by 400 girls' relay teams. Her running had been reduced to a straight line, but now she's finally working on turns and cutting.

While her Dallas teammates may have churned out fine seasons without her, Carrie's contributions could have made them

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Dallas-Nazareth, the matchup

PIAA, Class AAA 2nd Round Girls Basketball Game
Wednesday, March 13, 6 p.m.,
at Bethlehem Liberty High School

First round results:
Dallas 54, Shamokin 37
Nazareth Academy 69, E. York 46

Game notes: The ever-improving Dallas defense has come up big numerous times during the '95/'96 season. They'll need to continue that progress if they hope to advance into the third round. Nazareth Academy likes to work the ball down low to both of the leading scorers, center Shannon McDade and power forward Nadia Wariner. The Snell sisters (Amy and Mary Beth) are no offensive slouches, however, as they also average in double figures. Theresa Bray leads the high-powered offense. The 5'3" point guard doesn't score often, but is considered one of the best players at her position for a girl her size.

Like Dallas, Nazareth likes to control the boards and won't allow too many second shots. The Lady Mounts will need to be patient on offense and work for the high percentage shot. The free throw shooting showed marked improvement in the win over Shamokin. Dallas hit 16 of 27 from the charity stripe including 10 in the final two minutes.

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Dallas (17-10)
Head coach: Kim Barbacci
Starting line-up:

Forward	#24	Stacey Suda	5-11	Sr.
Forward	#34	Sarah Barlow	5-8	Jr.
Center	#42	Robin Suda	6-1	Sr.
Guard	#21	Adrienne Camp	5-8	Jr.
Guard	#11	Holly Baseski	5-4	Sr.

Nazareth Academy (26-2)
Head coach: Maryjo Kelly
Starting line-up:

Forward	#30	Amy Snell	5-8	So.
Forward	#22	Nadia Wariner	5-10	Sr.
Center	#41	Shannon McDade	6-1	Jr.
Guard	#13	Mary Beth Snell	5-7	Sr.
Guard	#32	Theresa Bray	5-3	Sr.

Schweitzer 19th in state in diving

Emily Schweitzer finished 19th at the PIAA class AA diving competition held at Penn State University's main campus last Thursday. Emily totaled 132.80 points in five dives, but needed a top 16 ranking to qualify for the semi-final round.

Schweitzer's second place District 2 finish allowed her to become the first Dallas swimmer to make the trip to state competition. Swimming has been a varsity sport at Dallas for just the past two seasons with diving being added for the '95/'96 campaign.

Youth basketball players honored

During the recent DYB boys playoffs and year end awards, one individual from each grade level was recognized as "most improved." The award is given to a player, who through hard work and dedication, has demonstrated significant improvement since the beginning of the season. The players, nominated and elected by the coaches of their respective division were third grade, Tom Hadzor; fourth grade, Matt Rattigan; fifth grade, Eric Petrow; sixth grade, Chris Arnaud; seventh grade, Jared Karalunas; and eighth grade, Chad Woolbert.

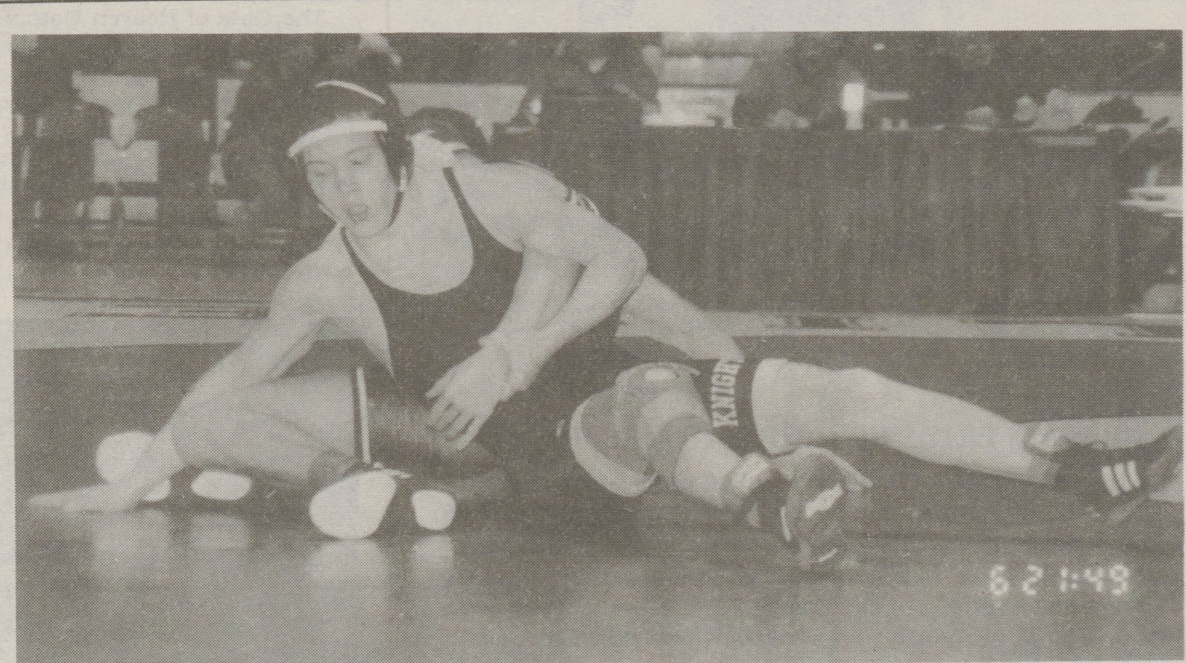


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Lake-Lehman senior Matt Raczkowski was the second-place wrestler at 112 pounds in last weekend's state meet at Hershey.

Raczkowski finishes 2nd at 112 pounds

Lake-Lehman senior wrestler Matt Raczkowski put together a fine effort at the PIAA Class AA wrestling championships this past weekend and earned himself a silver medal in the process.

Matt lost the 112 pound championship, 11-4 to Jody Strittmatter of Cambria Heights, after winning his first three bouts.

Matt posted an 11-2 major decision over Vince Pelesky of North Star in Thursday's opening round. Friday he won back-to-back decisions over Girard's Joe Ciotti 4-3, and 5-3 over Denver Harner of Forest Hills in the semi-finals.

The second place finish qualifies Matt for the National High School Wrestling Championships at Duquesne University the last weekend of this month.

Before that, Raczkowski, 95-14 at Lehman, will wrestle in the Challenge of Champions this Sunday at Chestnut Ridge High School. The Challenge of Champions allows the highest ranking seniors in class AA and AAA to face one another. Matt will take on Chuckie Connor out of District 1. Connor from Pennsbury High School, took the AAA gold and finished the season undefeated.

Mounts crush Shamokin

Playing their first playoff game at the state level, the Dallas girls basketball team came out on the winning end of a 54-37 score. The Lady Mounts defeated Shamokin, the number one seed out of District 4, at Susquehanna University in a Class AAA opening round game on Saturday.

Trailing by three halfway through the second period, Dallas took a 27-17 lead into the locker room by scoring 13 un-

answered points.

The vaunted Dallas defense allowed just seven third quarter points and finished the game with a 15-9 run, earning the right to play Nazareth Academy in the second round.

Robin Suda led the attack with 24 points and four blocked shots. Stacey Suda added 12 points while Katie Austin came off the bench to score nine.



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Adrienne Camp, in left photo, drove against a Shamokin opponent during the Mounts' win Saturday. Above, Katie Austin on the way to the hoop with Stacey and Robin Suda trailing.

SPORTS SHORTS

Final BMT baseball, softball tryouts

Back Mountain Softball will hold final tryouts Sat., Mar. 16 at the old Dallas Township School gym. All players not presently on a team must try out. Times are: age 8-9, 1 p.m.; age 10-12, 2 p.m.; age 13-15, 3 p.m.

Back Mountain Baseball will hold final tryouts for baseball players Sun., Mar. 17 at the Dallas Middle School gym. All players not on a major league team and interested in playing "A", "AA", "AAA" or major division must try out. Times for both American and National League are: age 11 & 12, 1 p.m.-1:30 p.m.; age 10, 1:30-2:15 p.m.; age 9, 2:15-3 p.m.; age 8, 3-4 p.m.

Jr. Knights registration Mar. 19

Registration for Mini Football players and cheerleaders for the Lake-Lehman Jr. Knights Football Club will be held March 19 at the Lehman Jackson Elementary School from 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m. There will be a monthly board meeting immediately following registration.

In order to register children for football or cheerleading, parents must have all of the following: A recent picture of the child; copy of the child's birth certificate; insurance information (including policy # and Drs. name; registrator and activity fees.

Registration is \$25 plus \$10 activity fee, a total of \$35 per child, or if you have more than one child, registration is \$40 plus a \$10 activity fee a total of \$50 per family.

Strikers place in two tournaments

At Sullivan County, Feb. 24, the following wrestlers placed:
Bantam: Rick Bower, 45 lbs., 3rd place; Adam Sulenski, 50 lbs., 4th place; Mike Stolarick, 60 lbs., 2nd place; Brian Goeringer, 65 lbs., 4th place; Matt Dragon, 80 lbs., 1st place. **Midjet:** John Houssock, 60 lbs., 2nd place; Eric Goeringer, 80 lbs., 4th place. **Junior:** John Houssock, 60 lbs., 2nd place; Dale Radginski, 75 lbs., 2nd place; Perry Coolbaugh, 80 lbs., 4th place.

At Lackawanna Trail on Feb. 25, the following wrestlers placed:
Bantam: Rick Bower, 45 lbs., 2nd place; Mike Stolarick, 60 lbs., 1st place; Matt Dragon, HWT., 1st place. **Midjet:** John Houssock, 60 lbs., 1st place; Mike Stolarick, 65 lbs., 3rd place. **Junior:** John Houssock, 64 lbs., 1st place; Matt Metz, 83 lbs., 1st place; Perry Coolbaugh, 83 lbs., 3rd place. **Junior High:** Matt Metz, 83 lbs., 3rd place; Matt Magee, 108 lbs., 1st place; Justin Harris, 133 lbs., 2nd place; John Pitcavage, 141 lbs., 4th place.

One wrestler was missed from the Tunkhannock Tournament: Midjet: Jared Hoyt, 60 lbs., 4th place.