(continued from page 11) "We've been looking forward to coming together," said Reich. "We've been playing together since

freshman and we knew we could

become a tennis power." While the trio has been asked to carry the program at times, they'll be leaving it in good hands. Blase, the number one singles player will be back for two more seasons. There's also plenty of underclassman talent in Jeff Fancek, Rich Kurilla, Bryan Balutis, Marcus Sowcik and Mike Cleary. Cleary is the freshman who knocked Reich from his singles position and teams with Blase in doubles play.

Quinn Kavanagh, the son of Alan and Barbara Roberts of Dallas, also earned a letter as a starting midfielder for the Dallas soccer team. He's the number two singles player for Dallas, but is more or less considered 1-A by coaches around the league. He features a well-rounded complete game for a high school player.

"My serve has really come along," said Kavanagh. "My entire game has just gotten much better and I give Mr. Matysczak a lot of the credit."

According to the coach, it's Kavanagh's attitude that has helped him become a dominating player. Quinn is very determined, and confident; a good athlete that figures out a way to win.

"He may be down in the score," Matysczak, "but he doesn't get down on himself. You can never count him out of a match.'

Quinn will further his education at the University of Pittsburgh. His major is undecided, but he will enter the college of arts and sciences. This summer he's

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going to try out for the Panther soccer team and plans on playing intramural tennis.

Tennis coach

Dave is the son of David and Janine Germick of Dallas. In addition to playing tennis, he's a member of the National Honor Society. A smart player and student of the game, Dave's biggest improvement over his high school career has come in the development of his mental game and his tennis stroke.

"He has a nice stroke and he tries to outstudy the opponent," Matysczak explained. "He'll try to make fewer mistakes."

The team's number three singles player, Germick teamed up with Kavanagh to earn allscholastic status for doubles play last year. Because of the depth of this year's team, the duo hasn't had to go out and perform at both singles and doubles. Kavanagh appreciates the rest, but both love to compete.

"I love to play doubles," Germick said. "It's more fun for me because I put less pressure for myself. Quinn and I play so well together that it's a whole new ballgame.'

Next fall will find Dave on the campus of Wilkes University. He's enrolled in the school's pharmacy program and has his heart set on earning a spot on the tennis team.

Tim is the son of Harry and Elizabeth Reich of Dallas. In addition to tennis, he's a member of the National Honor Society, a member of student council and vice president of the senior class.

"I've improved all around on and off the court," said Reich. "I used to be a fireball - I've learned to control myself."

Tim has also earned points for unselfishness. After starting as a sophomore and junior, he was beaten out of a singles position by Cleary. Presently he's working extra hard to get his position back for the playoffs. Doubles is nice, but singles is even better, he said.

"He's getting a share of playing time at doubles," said Matysczak who added Reich missed some time early in the spring while visiting colleges. "He's given the younger guys a chance to play. It makes our team stronger."

Tim has made the University of Vermont his choice of schools to study engineering. He'll definitely play tennis at the intramural level.

The trio unanimously agree that the win over Wyoming Seminary has been the highlight of their tennis career. They've also seen the influence they've had on re-establishing the program. Practices became more intense, the drills have become more useful and the team is more confident. The Dallas tennis squad has truly become a team by getting together away from scheduled practices and playing together over the summer. The boys had the attitude to pick up on after receiving just a little encouragement from their

SPORTS SHORTS

"Mr. Matysczak has really helped with every aspect of the game," Kavanagh said. "I have a lot of confidence in this team. They were decent back in '88 or '89, but this team ever is the best ever at Dallas."

Matysczak doesn't believe in the concept of naming a team captain, but couldn't ask for more leadership than what he has received from the senior trio. Now he and his the team are just hoping that the splendid journey of the spring of continues right through the playoffs. Dallas was ousted in the first round of the NEPTC playoffs last year by Abington Heights. The only highlight of the 6-1 loss was an upset victory by Blase.

Quinn Kavanagh, Dave Germick and Tim Reich are mature and experienced enough to lead that tour further than it's been able to go in the past.

"It feels good having the younger guys look up to you, asking for help," Germick said. "We paid our dues when we were younger. We knew this year was going to be an opportunity."

Whatever the outcome for the Dallas netmen, their three leading seniors can rest assured that they made their marks and were vital cogs in helping boost the sport to a higher level. They've also proven to be class citizens.

"I just feel it's appropriate for me to thank Dave, Tim, Brian, Mike Cleary and Mr. Matysczak for their help and for the success we've had," Kavanagh said.

OBITUARIES

ALTA JONES

Alta R. Jones of RR 1, Dallas, died April 22, 1996, in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born Jan. 19, 1919, in Clifford, she was the daughter of the late Abner and Viola Cuddyback Cobb.

She was a member of the Community Church of Dallas and the Rebbekah Lodge 514 of Lehman

She and her husband, Donald. celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary on March 22.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Paul Cobb; sisters, Stella Ransom, Juanita Johnson, Irene Stevens and Leanthea Davis.

Surviving in addition to her husband, are her son, Doanld F. Jr., Rome, GA; daughters, Mrs. Benjamin Kirby (Gladys) Jones, Hamlet, NC; Mrs. Raymond (Joyce) Washicosky, Trucksville, Kingston Twp.; Mrs. Gail Smith, Ellsworth, ME; Mrs. Norman (Diane) Clancy, Harveys Lake; 13 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; sister, Mrs. Aleatha Grannick, Clifford; nieces and nephews.

Interment, Sandy Banks Cemetery, Clifford.

MARJORIE GARMAN

Marjorie Smiles Garman, 70, of Brown Manor, Kingston Township, died April 22, 1996 in Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center, Plains Township.

Born Sept. 4, 1925, in Scranton, she was the daughter of the late Thomas E. and Hazel Hunt Smiles.

She was retired from the Department of General Services of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and was a member of the West Pittston First United Methodist Church, the West Pittston Woman's Club and the Harveys Lake Yacht Club.

She and her husband, Richard A. Garman, would have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 14.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Barbara Smiles Barnes. Surviving in addition to her

husband, are her daughters, Cynthia Guthkelch, Avon, CT; Diane Jacobs, Orange Park, FL; three grandchildren; two nieces and one nephew.

Interment, West Pittston Cem-

G. DONALD HUGHES

G. Donald Hughes, 87, of Sutton Road, Shavertown, Kingston Township, died April 24, 1996, at home.

Born in Luzerne, he was the son of the late Gail and Nettie Shiffer Hughes.

He graduated from Luzerne High School and resided on Sutton Road, Shavertown, since 1968. Previously, he lived at New Goss Manor, Dallas, for many years.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. serving as tank commander under Gen. George Patton's Third Armor Division. He participated in the Battle of the Bulge and was wounded in combat twice. He received two Purple Hearts, two Bronze Stars, a Silver Star, six Armored Fleeces and a battlefield commendation.

Before retiring 19 years ago, he and his brother, Karl M. of Luzerne owned and operated Hughes **Brothers Masonry Contractors of**

He was a member of the American Legion Post No. 525 of Luzerne; Elks Club of Wilkes-Barre and the Harveys Lake Rod & Gun

He was preceded in death by his wife, the former Margaret Francis; brothers, Hugh B. Sr. and Gailard S. Hughes; sisters, Mrs. Alice Parry, Mrs. Florence Balcomb and Mrs. Romaine Smith.

Surviving in addition to his brother, Karl M., are his brothers, Robert R. Hughes, Harveys Lake; Dr. Marvin M. Hughes, Bloomsburg; sisters, Mrs. Cora Mutchler, Conestoga; Mrs. Annette Mooney, North Palm Beach, FL; nieces and nephews.

CORA WICHT

Cora E. Wicht, 77, of Country Club Road, Dallas, died April 24, 1996, in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Orangeville, she was the daughter of the late Robert A. Steele and Harriet Hartman Steele Thompson.

She graduated from Dallas Township High School and Nesbitt Hospital School of Nursing and attended College Misericordia, Dallas.

Before retiring, she was employed as a registered nurse by Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John, in June 1969. Surviving are her nieces and

Interment, Fern Knoll Burial Park, Dallas.

JOSEPH ELENCHIK

Joseph S. Elenchik, 81, of Layou Street, Shavertown, Kingston Township, died April 25, 1996 in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Jackson Township, he was the son of the late John M.

and Ann Chewey Elenchik. He attended Oakdale School, Jackson Township and resided in Shavertown for the past 50 years.

He was a self-employed carpenter before retiring and was a member of St. John Nepomucene Church, Luzerne.

He was preceded in death by his wife, the former Helen Evans; brother Frank J., Jackson Township; sisters, Anna Bebey, Wilkes-Barre; Katherine Hudak, Dallas; Agnes Manzoni and Frances Stash, both of Jackson Township; and Margaret Harrison, Bloomingdale.

Interment, St. Stephen's Cemetery Lehman Township.

LEWIS G. EVANS

Lewis Graham Evans, 73, died at his home in Lexington, KY. April 12, 1996.

He was the son of the late Helen Graham Evans and Lewis Evans of Shavertown.

He received his degree from the University of Kentucky and was retired General Manager of V.R. Wesson-Fanstell Co. in Lexing-

He was a member of the Faith Lutheran Church; Spring Lake Country Club; Lexington Masonic Lodge #1, Aleika Shrine, and the Welch Commandry. He served in the U.S. Air Force during WW II.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Ness Evans; daughter, Diane Gehlbach of Lexington; son, Erik N. Evans, of Louisville, KY; four grandchildren; brother, Paul A. Evans of Oak Ridge, TN. He was preceded in death by a brother, Milton J. Evans sister, Shirley Evans of Shavertown.

Memorial services were held at the Faith Luterhan Church, conducted by Rev. Ron Luchey.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Faith Lutheran Church or Hospice of the Bluegrass.

CHARLES MAYE

Charles R. Maye, 38, of Lake Township, died April 24, 1996, in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born June 24, 1957 in Wilkes-Barre, he was the son of Aileen Ransom Maye of Lake Township and the late Harold B. Maye.

He was a lifelong resident of Lake Township and graduated

from Lake-Lehman High School. He was the owner of Maye's Auto Service, Lake Township and was a partner in Maye's Used

Cars, Lehman Township. He was a member of the Lehman

United Methodist Church. Surviving in addition to his mother, are his wife, the former Patricia Mack; sons, Joshua and Ryan, both students at the Lake-Lehman Elementary School; brother, Richard, Fredericksburg,

VA; sister, Kathleen Miller, Dover. Funeral services were held from the Karl E. Blight Funeral Home, Kingston with the Rev. David Mansfield, pastor of the Huntsville Christian Church, officiat-

EMMA RICHARDS

Emma G. Richards, 94, formerly of Beaumont, died April 28, 1996, in the Mountainview Care Center, Scranton. Born Aug. 16, 1901, in Beau-

mont, she was the daughter of the late William and Abigail Weber Belles.

She attended Bowman's Creek and Beaumont schools.

She worked as a school bus driver and assisted her husband in his carpentry business. She also worked in Harrisburg from 1953-76 for the PA Dept. of Agriculture.

She was a charter member of the Beaumont Seventh Day Adventist Church; member of Dallas Chapter 396 Eastern Star, Beaumont Lend A Hand Club, Silver Leaf of Kunkle and Daughters of America.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Paul; son, Heber; daughter, Thelma Dietz.

Surviving are a son, Ralph "Sam" Richards, Meshoppen; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be 11 a.m.

Wednesday from the Nulton Funeral Home, Route 309, Beaumont, with the Rev. Gary Meyers, pastor of the Biblical Baptist Church, Meshoppen and Paster Paul Fisher of the Seventh Day Adventist Church, Beaumont, officiating.

Interment will be in Beaumont Cemetery, Beaumont.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Pittson 13 - Dallas 5

The late innings again proved disasterous for the Mounts as they gave up six runs in the bottom of the sixth and lost to Pittston 13-5, April 25. Getz was 2-4.

SOFTBALL Dallas 14 - Wyoming Area 4

Melanie Getz hit a grand slam in the park home run to key the Mounts to a 14-4 victory over Wyoming Area April 25. Getz's round tripper came during a nine run fourth inning which also included a triple by Lisa Tomaine.

SOCCER

Wyoming Sem 1 - Dallas 0 Seminary's lone goal at 17:43 in the third was the game winner for the Blue Knights as they shut out Dallas 1-0, April 25. Adrienne Camp tallied up 12 saves in the

VOLLEYBALL

Nanticoke 2 - Dallas 1

Your sports items are welcome

at The Dallas Post

victory over Hanover, April 25. Brian Blaze, Quinn Kavanaugh, Dave Germick and Mike Cleary all

without barely breaking a sweat.

played through their matches

cage for the Mounts.

Dallas nearly mounted a comeback but the Trojans put the game aay and narrowly defeated the Mounts 15-5, 13-15, and 15-10 April 25. Don Holdredge led the attack for the Mounts with 11 kills and 24 digs.

TENNIS

Dallas 6 - Hanover 1

Dallas kept their unblemished record in tact with a stunning

Noxen wresters place at Nationals

Noxen Wrestler, Mike Stolarick, 60 lbs., Bantam, took third place at Eastern Nationals held April 13 and 14 at the Jordan Center at Penn State University. Thirteen Middle Atlantic States were represented. Other Noxen wrestlers who placed were: Lynn MacMillan, 152 lbs., Advanced, second place, and Ned Walsh, 152 lbs. Elite took fifth place.

Reynolds named PAC Player of Week

College Misericordia golfer Jim Reynolds has been named "Player of the Week" in the Pennsylvania Athletic Conference for the week ending April 21. Reynolds, a senior from Trucksville, averaged a team-low 83.5 in four matches last week. As an encore, he earned All-PACS status for the third time by firing a 78 for a runner-up finish at Monday's PAC Championships at Shadowbrook.

Tournament aids Junior Leadership

The second annual Leadership Wilkes-Barre Invitational Golf Tournament to benefit the Junior Leadership Wilkes-Barre College Scholarship will be held May 10, at the Irem Temple Golf Course in Dallas. There will be a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. with a captain and crew

Cocktails and dinner will follow the tournament. The \$100 registration fee includes cart, green fees, registration gift and dinner. Registration must be received by April 26. Please call John Viercinski at 820-2307 or Maggie Webster at 831-4305 for further information.

Janosky helps LCCC take title

Dallas resident Kelly Janosky is a member of the Luzerne County Community College women's softball team which recently captured the Eastern Pennsylvania Collegiate Conference (EPCC) title, sweeping Penn State-Oguntz in a doubleheader to win the conference crown.

YOMING VALLEY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

WYOMING VALLEY HEALTH CARE RUN/WALK FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Saturday, May 18, 1996 Nesbitt Medical Arts Building Auditorium

534 Wyoming Avenue, Kingston

STARTING TIMES:

9:30 AM - Walkers 10:00 AM - Runners and Wheelchair participants

10:10 AM - FREE Children's Fun Run

• Ages 4-6 and 7-9 Pre-registration Fee: \$8.00 Postmarked by Tuesday, May 14

Registration fees include a free t-shirt and various event amenities. Race Day registration will begin at 8:00 AM

RACE DAY REGISTRATION FEE: \$10.00

Awards! Prizes! Refreshments! For more information, please call

283-7222 or 1-800-838-WELL.

Funds raised from the event benefit hospital and health services for children at Wyoming Valley Health Care System.

REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT Address:____ State: Zip:

Shirt Size:(L, XL, XXL)_ Please Check One: Walker Wheelchair Participant

Birthdate: _____Age: ____

□Runner □Fun Run Participant Are you a Wyoming Valley Health Care System employee?

□Yes ONO

In consideration of the acceptance of my entry, I, intending to be legally bound, do hereby, for myself, my heirs, my executors, and administrators, waive, release and discharge any and all rights and claims which I may have, or which may hereafter accrue to me against Wyoming Valley Health Care System and any and all sponsors or promoters, and any and all injuries suffered by me while participating

Signature (Parent's signature if entrant is under 18)

in and traveling to and from this event.

Date

Please detach and send with \$8.00 entry fee to: 5 Mile Run/Walk for Children's Services Wyoming Valley Health Care System, P.O. Box 1072, Kingston, PA 18704 Please make checks payable to: Wyoming Valley Health Care System