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Back Mountain student-athletes dominate award finalists

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WILKES-BARRE - One thing will be certain when the Killer Bees Athletic Club names student-athlete award winners Saturday night — at least one will be from the Back Mountain.

The Killer Bees Athletic Club will hold its 14th annual sports banquet at the Ramada Plaza Hotel in Wilkes Barre Feb. 1. Among the awards being given, the student-athlete award is in its inaugural season. The award honors high school students who have excelled in sports and the classroom.

All three male finalists are from Dallas and Lake-Lehman: Joe Halowich and Mike Woronko of Lake-Lehman, and Justin Jumper of Dallas. Debbie White, who also attends Lehman, is one of three female finalists.

Scott Townsend and Emily Schweitzer, both from Dallas, were

named semi-finalists in the male and female categories.

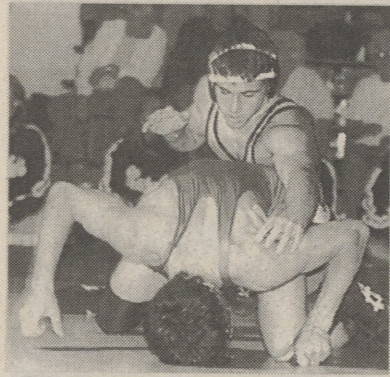
Joe Halowich ranks in the top 10 in his senior class at Lehman. He is also a member of the school's golf, wrestling, and baseball teams.

Justin Jumper ranks ninth in a senior class of 153 at Dallas, which is in the top six percent. While competing on the school's golf team this fall, Jumper qualified for states. During the spring and summer, he plays baseball.

Being nominated meant a great deal to Jumper. "Every school

selects a student in the male and female category and it's great that I was picked out of the large number of students in my class," Jumper said. He would like to attend Boston College this fall. He was quick to add that he would definitely play golf at the college if he is accepted.

As far as juggling sports practices and games with studies, he



JOE HALOWICH
in control earlier this year.

has used a rather simple technique. "I usually call a schedule that allows me to get in two to three hours of homework and studying each night after practices and games," adds Jumper.

Mike Woronko also ranks in the top 10 of his senior class at Lake-Lehman. Mike is very dedicated to both athletics and his school work and it shows. He



DEBBIE WHITE
at state championship celebration.

plays on the football, wrestling, and baseball teams, and has excelled in the classroom. "It's quite an honor to be nominated for the award," Woronko said. "It shows I work hard both on and off the playing fields."

Mike's greatest influence has come from his parents, who make sure his work is always done. "They are always checking that

my school work is completed. If I have an activity after school, I am studying right after dinner," adds Mike, who would choose Bucknell University over the other schools he applied to. "They offer my intended major, chemical engineering, and their football coach has expressed a great deal of interest in me."

Debbie White ranks 3rd in a senior class of 138 students. She is very active in the school and its activities. White not only plays on the school's field hockey and soccer teams, she also is a cheerleader and helps out as a manager on the wrestling team. Not all of her time is spent in these activities. Debbie is involved in community and volunteer efforts and shows her leadership by staying busy with the student government.

Rich Klick, a former baseball standout for Dallas who is attending the University of Pittsburgh

on a baseball scholarship, shares the Pete Gray award for overcoming adversity with Mike Bellas of Bishop Hoban. KBAC has announced.

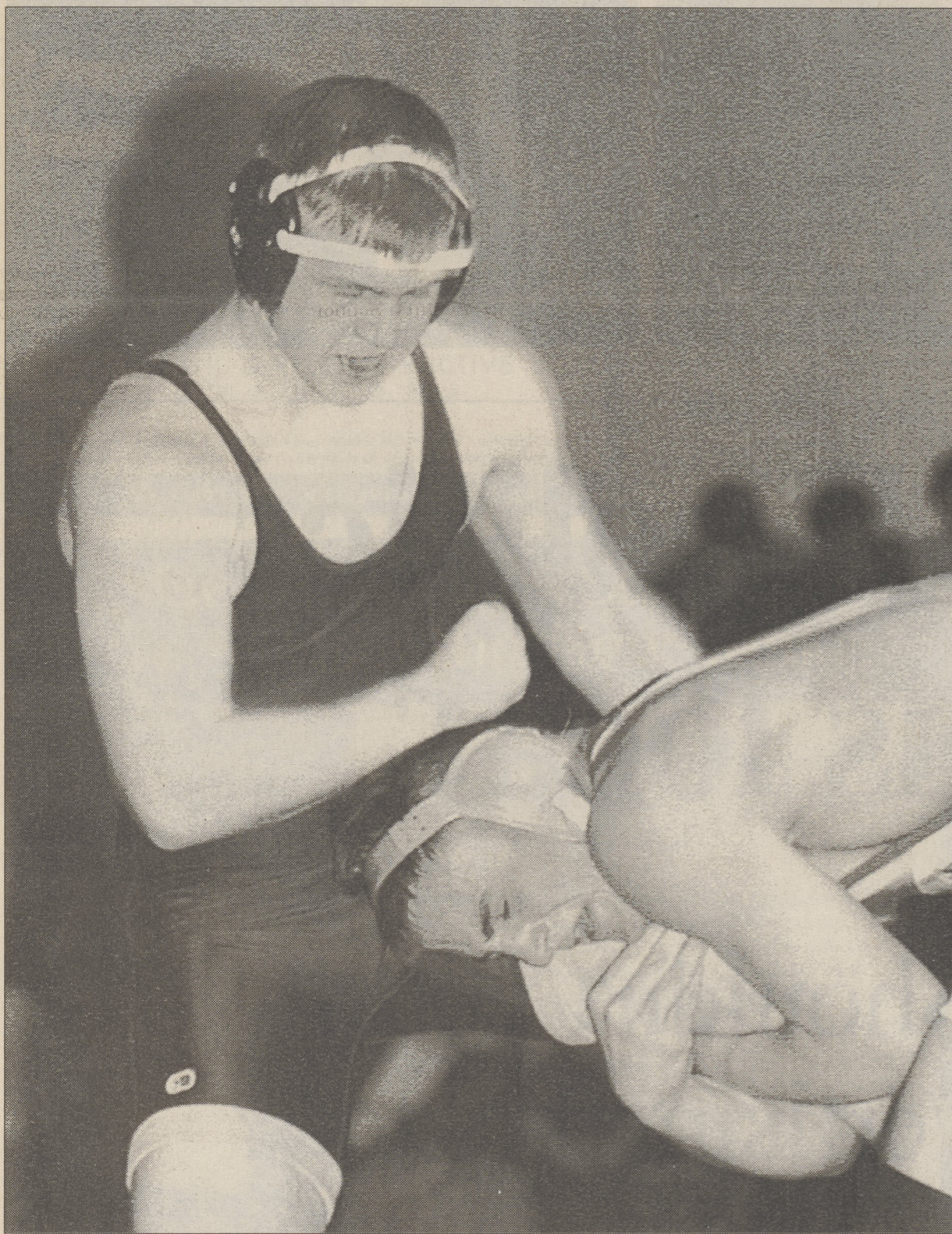
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Mike Woronko
Up for student-athlete award

Klick fractured several bones in his leg at the beginning of the 1995 football season. After extensive and dedicated rehabilitation, Rich returned in the spring to become an all-star short stop in baseball for the Mountaineers.

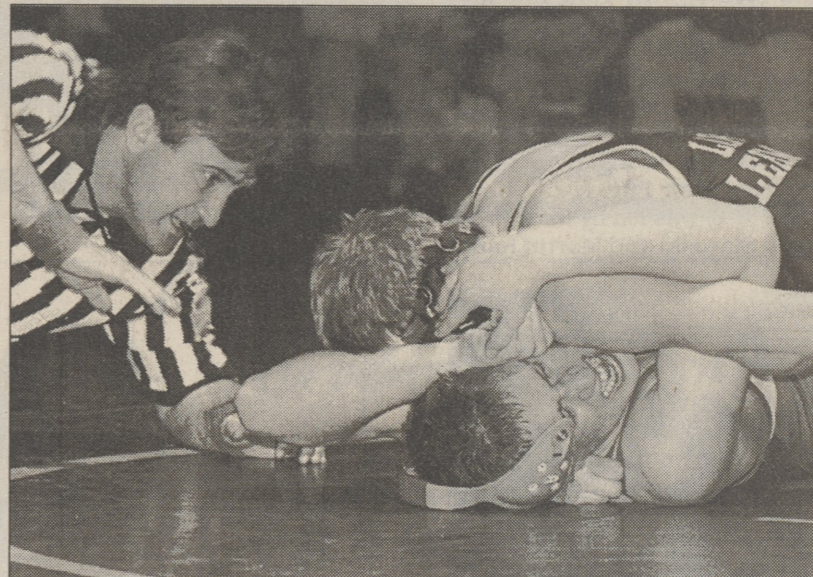
Tickets for the banquet can be purchased at \$25 each by contacting any KBAC member.

GREAT GRAPPLING



Lake-Lehman crushed Wyoming Area 67-3 last weekend, winning all but one match against the Warriors. Below, Sam Saylor was about to pin his opponent at 140 pounds. At left, and bottom right, Pat Rogowski struggled gamely, but eventually became the only Knight to lose during the match, on a 9-8 decision.

POST PHOTOS/JIM PHILLIPS



Sixers, Heat share top spot

The four teams that were tied for first place, paired off and last weekend played each other. After the dust settled, the Sixers and Heat share the first place spot going into week number 10.

SIXERS 53 - MAGIC 30

In the first game of the afternoon, the Sixers soundly defeated the Magic by a score of 53-30. In the first quarter both teams played fine defense and traded baskets. The quarter ended with a 6-6 score. The second quarter was much the same, however the Sixers outscored the Magic 12-8 to take a 18-14 halftime lead. The third quarter saw each team putting on scoring spurts, but at quarter's end it was still the Sixers up 27-21. The Sixers' big man David Finn caught fire in the final stanza and scored 12 of his game high 19 in this quarter. The Sixers ran away with it in the final quarter by outscoring the Magic 26-9. The Sixer offense was led by Finn with 19 points, followed by Danny Fetko with 12 points with Danny Krause and Buddy Shah each chipping in with 7 points. Nate Hoffman played a fine defensive game for the Sixers. The Magic offense was led by Jay Carroll with 16 points, followed by Herb Bressler with 6 points. The Sixers record goes to 7-2, while the Magic record drops to 6-3.

BLAZERS 37 - HORNETS 34

In the second game of the afternoon the Trailblazers squeaked by the Hornets by a score of 37-34. The Hornets started the game off strong by outscoring the Trailblazers 16-6 at the end of the first quarter. The second quarter had each team matching baskets with the Hornets holding a 24-14 halftime lead. The third quarter had the Trailblazers turning the tide and outscoring the Hornets 8-6 to narrow the Hornets third quarter lead to 30-22. Down by eight going into the third quarter, the Trailblazers didn't quit. They put on a well balanced attack and played a fine defensive fourth quarter to outscore the Hornets 15-4 to seal the win. The Trailblazers offense was led by Blake Saba with a game high 13 points followed by Andrew George with 11 points and John Nackley with 7 points. The Hornets' offense was led by Patrick Barnard with 12 points, followed by Andrew Dale and John Simonitis with 6 points apiece. The Trailblazers record goes to 2-7, while the Hornets record drops to 2-7.

BULLS 58 - WARRIORS 33.

In the third game of the after-

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DALLAS YOUTH BASKETBALL 3-4

MARYLAND 26 - FSU 13

Maryland defeated Florida State to remain undefeated. Maryland was led by Ryan Murray with 11 points, Matt Daube 7 points and Steve Brett with 6 points. Florida State was led by Ken Regan, Eric Domzalski and Matt DiBiase all with 4 points each. Defensively Florida State was led by David Harding and Mike Wyberski.

GA TECH 34 - VIRGINIA 10

Georgia Tech improved his record to 5-0 with a win over Virginia. Georgia Tech's offense was led by Ben Thomas with 9 points, Bobby Lenahan 7 points, Ronnie Shiner 6 points, Timmy Crossin 6 points, Robbie Tomko 4 points and Justin Orlandini 2 points. The defense played a strong game led by Mike Hazleton, Ronnie Shiner, Justin Orlandini, and Robbie Tomko. Virginia was led by Nick Varela 4 points, John

Pall Yanik 4 points and Andrew Gramps 1 point and three rebounds. The defense was held together by John Pall Yanik.

DUKE 31 - NO. CAROLINA 22

Matt Kelly had a game high 21 points to lead Duke to win and go up on their record to 3-2. Sean Leary contributed 10 and Colin Baird had 8 points. Defensively Duke was led by Brian Gibbons. Tommy Hadzor led North Carolina with 16 points. Adam King 4 points and Nick Samanas had 2 points and 10 big rebounds.

WAKE 28 - CLEMSON 17

Wake Forest continued its winning ways over Clemson. They were led by Matt Wilson with a game high 18 points. Mike Race poured in 6 while Justin Singer and Ian Van Kryk had 2 points each. Wake Forest defense was led by Matt Adler, Ryan Gilroy and Jonathan Baker.

SPORTS SHORTS

WRESTLING

Lehman 34, Coughlin 21

The Knights' middle weights tallied three consecutive pins as Lehman leveled Coughlin 34-21 Jan. 22 in Wilkes-Barre. Eric Maciejczak (135), Sam Saylor (140) and Joe Halowich (145) each dropped their opponents. Nick Raczkowski (103) also scored a pin for the victors.

Lehman 67, Wyoming 3

The Knights muscled out seven pins en route to a 67-3 whipping of Wyoming Jan. 25. Jason Maciejczak, Bill Brea, Matt Magee, Sam Saylor, Tom Patton, Ned Walsh and Mick Konigus all registered falls.

Pittston 54, Dallas 16

Dallas forfeited four of the thirteen bouts to Pittston Jan. 25 as the Patriots rolled past the Mounts 54-16 in Dallas. Dallas also took two to forfeit but were only able to

scrape out one decision. Matt Gingo a major decision at 160.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Dallas 50, Seton 48

The Lady Mounts outscored Seton 13-7 in the final quarter to squeeze out a 50-48 win Jan. 23 in Pittston. Adrienne Camp and Nicole Nackley lead the way for Dallas each hitting 14 points. The win increases Dallas' record to 3-0 in the second half standings.

Lehman 58, Hafey 47

Kim Spencer dished out 20 points including two three-pointers as Lehman dumped Hafey 58-47 Jan. 23. Darby Wolfe chipped in 13. The Knights share a three way tie for second place in Div. II with a 2-1 record.

Dallas 66, Meyers 53

Adrienne Camp was the big gun for Dallas hitting a game high 31 points as Dallas downed Meyers

66-53 Jan. 27 to keep their second half win streak alive at 4-0. Katie Austin also delivered for the Mounts with 14 and Nicole Nackley hit 10.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Dallas 70, Seton 48

The Mounts never looked back from a 55-16 lead at the half and went on to dump Seton 70-48 Jan. 23. J.J. Smith bucketed a game-high 27 points followed by Jonathan Saba with 12. Seton contributed to the Mounts lead as Dallas drew 31 fouls converting 19.

Bishop Hafey 62, Lehman 53

James Lyons and Matt Morris combined for 31 points but it wasn't enough to take Hafey as Lehman gave in to their guests 62-53 Jan. 23. Seton outscored the Knights 22-13 in the final quarter.