

Sports Week

Section 2

Wednesday January 21, 1998

SPORTS ROUNDUP

WRESTLING

Lehman 34, Hazleton 28

Lehman survived a scare from Hazleton and emerged with a slim 34-28 victory Jan. 14. The Knights jumped out to an early lead winning five of the first seven bouts including a pin by Matt Magee (130) and decisions by Nick Raczkowski (119), Jason Maciejczak (125) and Eric Maciejczak (140) before the Cougars turned the tables and won four straight. Mick Konigus (189) and Matt Kehler (hwt) sealed the win with pins in the upper weights.

Dallas 47, Bishop Hoban 22

Joe Saraka (125), Damian Temperine (130) and Brett Larson (145) each recorded pins as Dallas cruised to their first win of the season Jan. 14 with a 47-22 win over Bishop Hoban. The Mounts also got points from a decision by Jamie Raub (160) and three forfeits. Matt Gingo (189) and Frank Perkoski (hwt) increased the margin as each scored a major decision in the final bouts.

Dallas 46, West Side Tech 24

Thanks to five pins Dallas won their second in a row with a 46-24 victory over W.S. Tech Jan. 17. Chalking up pins were Joe Saraka, Bill Duda, Jake Walter, Matt Gingo and Frank Perkoski. Dave Spurlin aided the cause with a 9-1 major decision.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Dallas 60, Wyo. Seminary 51

Katie Austin scored a game high 20 points followed by Stephanie Simonitis with 17 as Dallas sank Seminary 60-51 Jan. 16. Jen Noone drained 14 points of her own. The win puts Dallas at 1-0 in the second half standings after ending the first half at 3-5.

Lehman 64, Wyo. Sem. 34

Mandy Kehler lit up the boards with 12 points as Lehman battered Seminary 64-34 Jan. 19. Kelly Spencer added 10 while Faith O'Dell sank nine.

Bishop Hafey 59, Dallas 52

Behind 40-36 entering the fourth quarter Hafey showed their determination down the stretch by outscoring Dallas 12-23 in the final period to take a 59-52 victory Jan. 19. Katie Austin led all scorers with 23 points.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Dallas 77, Wyo. Seminary 44

The Mounts never looked back from a 38-10 advantage at the half and cruised to a 77-44 victory over Seminary Jan. 17. J.J. Smith lead the Mounts with 16 points followed by Jonathan Saba with 14 and Jay Carroll with 12. Dallas also won the J.V. game 64-63.

Seton Catholic 48, Lehman 40

James Lyons and Matt Morris combined for 30 of the Knights' 40 total points as Lehman lost to Seton 48-40 Jan. 17. Lyons ended the night with 17 points and Morris bucketed 13 including two three-pointers.

SWIMMING

Dallas 116, Pittston 72

Lacey Popson was a three time winner in the Lady Mounts 116-72 victory over Pittston Jan. 16. Popson swam a leg in the 200 medley relay team and had individual victories in the 50 freestyle and 100 backstroke races. Aliciah Kvashay showed her stamina with wins in the 500 freestyle and 400 free relay while Shannon Gaffney anchored the 400 relay and also won the 100 fly.

Baseball, softball signups Saturday

Back Mountain Baseball and Softball will conduct its player registration for the 1998 season on Sat., Jan. 24 from 9 a.m. to noon in the Dallas Middle School cafeteria. All children age 6 and older who wish to participate in T-ball, major and minor league baseball, major and minor league softball and all teen programs should register at that time. All prospective players should bring their Social Security numbers to registration. Any child who has not previously participated in Back Mountain Baseball and Softball should bring his or her birth certificate to registration as proof of

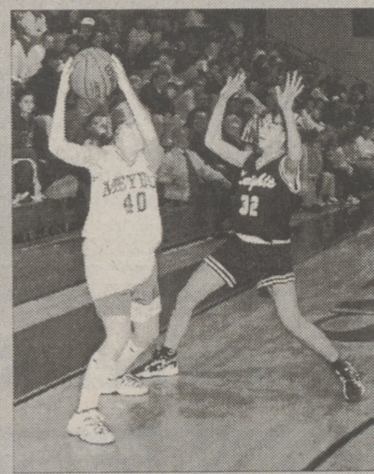


FIRST HALF CHAMPS

Lake-Lehman turned a four-point lead late in the game to a 16-point romp over Meyers Saturday for the first half championship. The Black Knights avenged a loss to the Mohawks earlier in the season.

In left photo, Faith O'Dell drove around the defense. Melissa DeCesaris (below) played a Mohawk tightly.

POST PHOTOS/JIM PHILLIPS



Harding's double/double leads Family Practice

Family Practice 32 - Franklin First Savings 29

David Harding's first career double/double (22 points and 17 rebounds) helped spark a second half comeback for Dallas Family Practice over Franklin First and the 32-29 victory. Harding's second half effort of 18 points and 11 rebounds helped erase a 12 point second half deficit. Chris Parrish chipped in with 8 points and 3 rebounds, along with Tom Parrish with 2 points and 3 rebounds. Robbie Justice pulled down 4 rebounds with 3 coming in the pivotal third quarter. A fine defensive effort was put forth by Eric Riley, Joey DeGrava, Sean McMahon and Bobby Redinski.

Central Clay 30 - American Legion 15

American legion jumped out to a 9-0 score at the end of the first quarter on the shooting of Adam King, Sean McAndrew and Darrell Rodgers. Central Clay countered in the second quarter and outshot the Legion 10-0, on the shooting of Adam Singer and Eric Domzalski. At half-time, Central Clay held a 10-9 lead. Central Clay opened the game up in the third quarter with Domzalski and Singer combining for 10 points.

Balanced scoring gives Team #3 win

Team #3- 32 - Team #2-14

Team #3 was victorious with a balanced scoring attack. Jonelle Dickson, Sam Lloyd and Whitney McOwen each scored 8 points. Sheree Senausky, Jill Youngblood and Erin Swepston added 4, 3 and 1 points respectively.

Team #2 was led by Rachael Kukosky's 10 points, Krista Carpenter and Casey Noreika both added a bucket.

Team #1-38 - Team #4-13

Karla Blase led the offense for Team #1 with 28 points. Kelly Brzozowski scored 6 points and Nicole Bostock added 4.

Brandy Rickaby was high scorer for Team #4 with 7 points. Jamie Sickler, Jamie Sulewski and Renee Lavin each added 2 points.

Correction

Due to incorrect information on a team roster, Erika Turner (15) was identified as Beth Carey in a photo that appeared on last week's sports page.

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Robbie Tomko chipped in 4 to keep the Legion in the hunt. Central Clay kept up the scoring attack in the fourth quarter for the win.

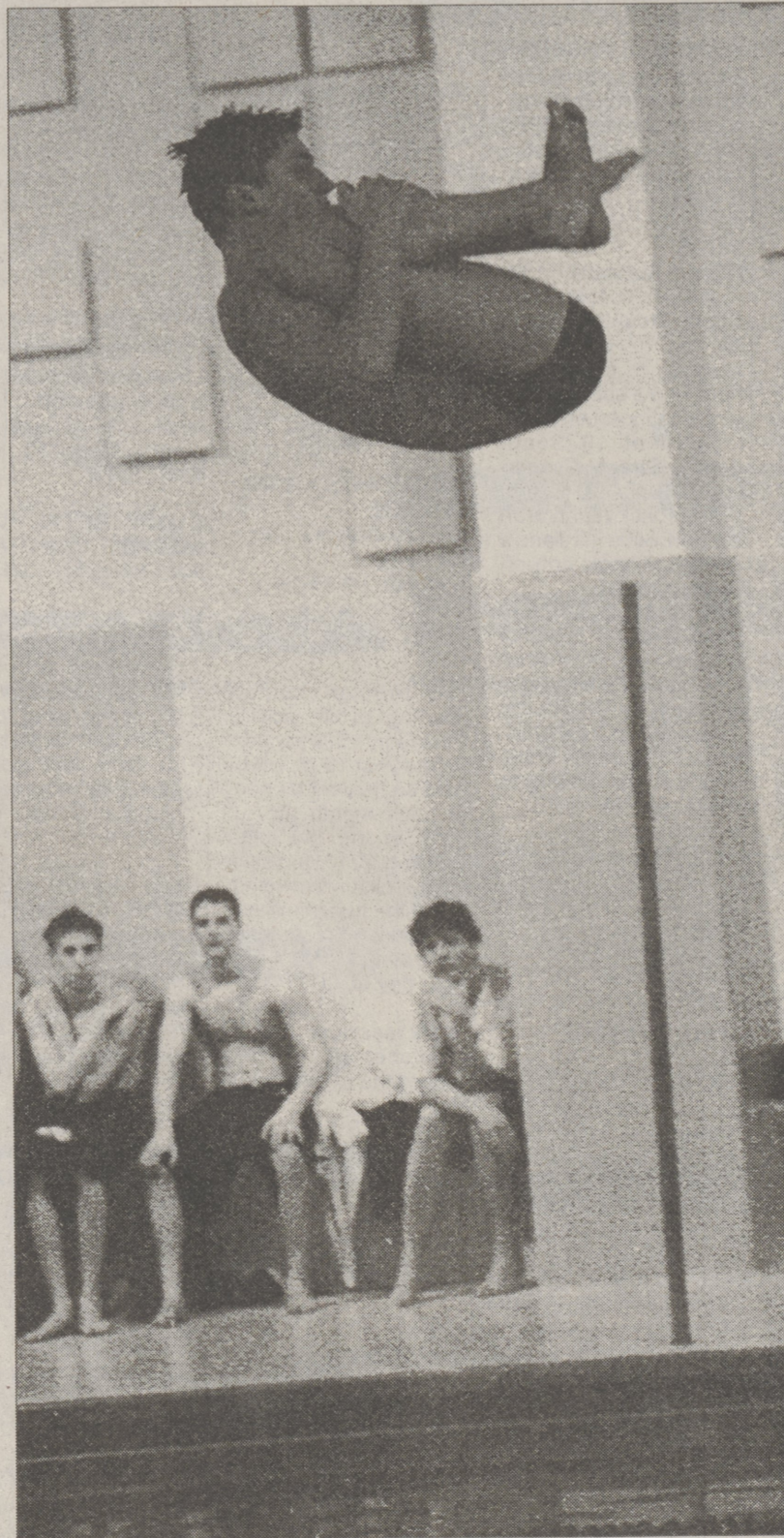
DYB 3-4 BOYS

Central Clay's offense was led by Singer with 15 points followed by Domzalski with 12 points and Ryan Konopki with 2 points. Jesse Swartwood, Brandon Rice, Stephen Zubko and Brian Karpovich had a fine defensive game for the Claymen. American Legion's offense was led by Adam King with 5 points, followed by Robbie Tomko and Sean McAndrew with 4 points apiece

and Darrell Rodgers with 2 points. King and Sean McAndrew controlled the boards for the Legion, while Mike Wyberski, Darell Rodgers and Robbie Tomko had defensive steals, followed by good defensive play by Charles Young and David Murphy.

Commonwealth Telephone 36 Dallas Hardware 32

Dallas Hardware came up 4 short but played hard. Bradley Fagula led the offensive surge for Dallas Hardware, followed by Kyle Mahle 10 points and John Durr with 4 points. Zackery Luzzi played a strong defensive game for Dallas Hardware.



POST PHOTO/MONICA MARZANI

FLIPPING OUT

Dallas diver Matt Kertesz tucked into one of his dives against Abington Heights last week. He finished second in the event.

Bressler cans 27, Friday's stomps Kingston Metals

T.G.I. Friday's 78 - Kingston Metals 38

T.G.I. Friday's exploded in the first quarter, on the shooting of Herb Bressler, Donny Murray and Ryan Love. At the end of the first quarter T.G.I.F. was up 17-2. It was much the same in the second quarter with Mike English and Charlie Stajewski leading the way for T.G.I.F. Kingston Metals' Bobby Zaruta and Jeff Dickson combined for 10 second quarter points to keep the game close. T.G.I.F. led at halftime 35-15. Both teams shot the eyes out of the basket in the third quarter, with T.G.I.F.'s Doug Yeager, William Siglin and Josh Rice leading the way. Kingston Metals' Greg Mascioli, Jeff Dickson and Brett Sprau led the offense. T.G.I.F. outscored Kingston Metal 27 to 20 in the quarter. T.G.I.F. continued the scoring attack in the fourth quarter, enroute to an easy win. T.G.I.F. offense was led by Bressler with 27 points, followed by Murray and Love with 12 points apiece and Charlie Stajewski with 10 points, Kingston Metals offense was led by Greg Mascioli with 13 points, followed by Bobby Zaruta with 12 points and Jeff Dickson with 8 points.

DYB 7-8 BOYS

Peter Miller. Mellon Bank's Brian Dempsey had the hot hand for his team, recording 5 points in the quarter. Dr. Jack continued the attack in the second quarter, with Tim Faneck and Andrew Dale combining for 9 points. Mellon Bank's Matt Mark and Ryan Grysevicz led the offensive attack in the second quarter. At halftime it was Dr. Jack Ellis 28, Mellon Bank 15. In the third quarter both teams traded baskets, and it was Dr. Jack Ellis up 35-23 at quarters end. It was much the same in the fourth quarter with Frank Oatridge leading the way for Dr. Ellis's team. Dr. Ellis's offense was led by Dombroski with 12 points, followed by Dale with 11 points, Faneck with 10 points, Peter Miller with 9 points and Oatridge with 7 points. Mellon Bank's offense was led by Dempsey with a game high 17 points, followed by Matt Mark with 4 points.

Dallas Lions 46 - NAPA Auto Parts 37

Both teams came out shooting in the first quarter, with NAPA Auto's Paul McCue scoring 8 of his game high 23 points, while the Dallas Lions' Jeff Singer, and Jonathon Barbose led their offense. NAPA Auto held a 10-8 lead at quarter's end. The Lion's Jonathon Barbose caught fire in the second quarter, scoring 9 points and give his team a 21-16 lead at halftime. The Lions continued the scoring attack in the third quarter with Adam Tkaczyk, Bobby Gebhart and Mike Yurchak leading the way. McCue kept the game close for NAPA Auto. The Lions extended their lead at the end of the third quarter 36-23. NAPA Auto's Josh Bryant and McCue combined for 12 fourth quarter points, but their rally came up short. Dallas Lions' Chase Susko and Jeff Singer played a fine defensive game. The Lions offense was led by Barbose with 21 points followed by Gebhart with 8 points, Susko with 7 points and Tkaczyk with 6 points. NAPA was led by McCue with a game high 23 points, followed by Josh Bryant with 6 points and Mike Fehlinger with 4 points.

Quality Collision 46 - Grotto Pizza 21

Quality Collision outscored Grotto Pizza in the first quarter 9-6 on the shooting of Jordy Spencer and Chris Arnaud. Quality's John Simonitis and Angelo Recchia combined for 10 second quarter points and gave Quality a 26-10 lead at halftime. Quality Collision continued the attack in the third and fourth quarters to coast to an easy 46-21 victory. Quality Collision's offense was led by Simonitis with a game high 17 points, followed by Spencer with 12 points and Arnaud with 6 points. Chris Yale and Kevin Arnaud played a fine defensive game. Grotto Pizza's offense was led by Christian Cobleigh with 5 points, followed by John Pambianco, Joe Puczko and Arthur Redmond each chipping with 4 apiece. Ryan Morgan and Stephen Luksh had a fine defensive game for Grotto Pizza.

Dr. Jack Ellis 53 - Mellon Bank 29

Dr. Jack Ellis jumped out to a 12-6 lead at quarter's end on the shooting of Mike Dombroski and

InterMetro over Rosenn, Jenkins behind Droppers' 22 markers

Inter-Metro 30 - Rosenn, Jenkins and Greenwald 25

Tyler Droppers scored 22 points, including 10 of 12 from the foul line, to lead Inter-Metro to a 30-25 win over Rosenn, Jenkins and Greenwald. Chris Mounce added 4 points for Inter-Metro. Rosenn, Jenkins was led by Elijah Miller, Ryan Marscio, and Joe Bednash.

DYB 5-6 BOYS

Dough Company 37 - Fieldhouse 25

Mitch Mitchell and Joe Wyberski each scored 12 points to lead the Dough Company to a 37-25 win over the Fieldhouse. Also scoring were Carl Seitz with 7 and Michael Weaver with 4 points. Eric Baltimore led the Fieldhouse with 6 points while Brian Gibbons led the defense.

Eastern Penn Supply 37 - Herbie's Autobody 33

Tim Kerestes scored 14 points and Gene Lispi 10 as Eastern Penn Supply topped Herbie's Autobody 37-33 in overtime. Herbie's was led by Frank Buzin, Steven Wengen and Jason Demnicki.

American Legion 28 - Luzerne National Bank 25

Erich Mahle scored a game high 16 points to lead the American

DYB GRADE 7-8 STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	Pct.
Dr. Jack Ellis	8	1	.889
Mellon Bank	6	3	.667
Quality Collision	6	3	.667
TGIFriday's	6	3	.667
Kingston Metals	5	4	.556
Dallas Lions	4	5	.444
Napa Auto Parts	1	8	.111
Grotto Pizza	0	9	.000

Legion over Luzerne National Bank 28-25. Also scoring for the Legion were Chris Higdon, Joe Austin and Curtis Montz; Ryan Murray led Luzerne National with 12 points while Steven Fritz led the rebounding.

Fahnestock 48 - Pace Physical Therapy 37

Matt Kelly had 14 points and Tom Hadzor 13 to lead Fahnestock over Pace Physical Therapy 48-37. A.J. Musto and Nathan Yoh led the defense. Pace was led by Kevin Domzalski with 12 points, Jeff Pace with 8, Matt Rattigan with 5 and Danny Retzena with 2.

American Legion 43 - Dough Company 18

The Play of Chris Higdon, Ben Barbose and Colin Baird led the American Legion to a 43-18 win over Dough Company. Michael Lloyd and Mike Haines led the way for the DoughCo.

DYB GRADE 5-6 STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	Pct.
InterMetro	5	1	.833
Fahnestock	5	1	.833
American Legion	5	2	.714
Luzerne Nat'l Bank	4	2	.667
Fieldhouse	3	3	.500
Eastern Penn	3	3	.500
Herbie's Autobody	3	3	.500
Dough Co.	2	5	.286
Pace Therapy	1	5	.167
Rosenn, Jenkins	0	6	.000