



POST PHOTOS/IRON BARTIZEK

Dallas beat Gate of Heaven for the 6th grade championship in action Sunday at the Gate of Heaven gym. In left photo, Shannon Herman. Blake Bradley, right in right photo, tried to stop Meredith Lacey's shot late in the first half.

5-6 boys

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pionship in the 6th Grade Division.

Brian Stempien added 12 points and Nick Buerger 6 for the winning team. Also enjoying fine tournaments for Northwest were Vince Scalzo, Jason Hinz, Ryan Yaple, Mark McCabe, Paul Schuckers and Tracy Blaine. The team was coached by Tony Mazonkey and Randy Yaple.

Dallas was led by Erich Mahle with 17 points, Tyler Droppers and Mitch Mitchell with 6 each and Jeff Pace with 4.

Dallas 54 - Tunkhannock Orange 36

Dallas advanced to the championship game with a 54-36 win over Tunkhannock Orange. Tim Kerestes scored 13 points for Dallas while Elijah Miller had 4 points. Also playing well in the tournament were Kevin Domzalski, Sam Brown and Chris Higdon. The team was coached by Joe Kerestes, Guthrie Mitchell and Jeff Pace.

Tunkhannock was led by Andy Soltis with 7 points, Mike Fuller with 6, Brendan Mulhern with 5 and Kyle Johnson with 4.

Tunkhannock 50 - St. Hedwig's 48

Tunkhannock topped St. Hedwig's 50-48 in overtime as Jon Clemens scored 17 points and Patrick Kashinsky 13. Adam Pascoe added 6 points. Also playing well in the tournament were Justin Parchosky, Ryan Rowe, Mark Fetzko, and E.J. McCormick. Tunkhannock was coached by Pat Mulhern and Scott Fuller.

Tournament director George Gracely would like to thank all of the players, coaches, parents, and volunteers who helped make our tournament a success.

Soccer signups Mar. 28

The Back Mountain Youth Soccer Association is announcing registration for fall 1998 Intramural Soccer Program, Sat., March 28 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Dallas Middle School Cafeteria.

Social Security numbers are required for all registrants and proof of birthdate for new registrants. Beginning players must be at least 6 years old by July 31.

Due to the uncertainty concerning playing field availability, the Association reserves the right to limit player registration.

Gate of Heaven tournament crowns champions in grades 4-8

The sixth annual Gate of Heaven Girls' Basketball Tournament was held during the past week. This is the sixth year for the tourney which features all of the girls' teams from the Back Mountain. The format pits four teams in five divisions, from 4th grade up through 8th grade. A total of 22 teams played in games which concluded with the championship games in each division Sunday.

8th grade

In the eighth grade division, Wyoming Valley West was the champion after a victory over Gate of Heaven by a score of 43-27. Jessica Ohrin was high scorer with 16 points. Sarah Armand led GOH with 12 points. In the consolation game, Regis Academy beat Dallas Youth Basketball by a score of 42-29 for third place. Leading scorers were Amber DelPriore (Regis) with 13 points, Karla Blase (DYB) with 10 points.

In first round games, Gate of Heaven beat Dallas Youth Basketball by a score of 42-34 and Wyoming Valley West beat Regis Academy by a score of 51-41. Leading scorers were Sarah Armand and Katie Delaney for GOH with 12 and 11 points respectively, Carla Blase with 14 for DYB, Jessica Ohrin WVV with 17 points and Alison Zekoski (Regis) with 16 points.

7th grade

The seventh grade championship went to Gate of Heaven. The Gators beat Regis in the championship game by a score of 35-23. Ten girls for GOH scored with Molly Guntli leading the way with 10 points. Regis was led by Lauren Patton with 15 points. In the third place game, DYB downed Wyoming Valley West, 37-21. Leading scorers were Rachel Kukosky DYB, with 23 points and Cassie Sailor, WVV with 11 points.

In the first round, GOH topped DYB, 37-27, and Regis beat WVV by a score of 38-30. Leading scorers were Molly Guntli, GOH, 13 points, Rachel Kukosky, DYB, 23 points, Lauren Patton, Regis, 12 points, and Sarah Perchach, WVV, 10 points.

6th grade

In the sixth grade division, DYB took first place with a victory over GOH by a score of 53-14. Shannon Thomas had 22 points for DYB while Steffanie Galleano had 4 points for GOH. In the third game, Regis beat Lehman 27-19. Jamie Hasiak for Regis and Kara Makarewicz, Lehman with 6 points., Halli Willams, DHB with 12 points.

5th grade

In the fifth grade division, Regis held off a furious comeback by Gate of Heaven and won by a point, 31-30. GOH was down by 7 points with 40 seconds to go

and came back and tied the game with 6 seconds left. Sarah Armaghan from Regis hit a free throw with 3 seconds to go to win the game for Regis. Leading scorers were Cory Patton for Regis with 13 points and Jonelle Zabresky for GOH with 14 points. In the third place game, DYB beat Lehman 25-14. Jodie Dickson and Megan Savage led the way for DYB while Janine Mitkus and Samantha Pankratz scored 6 points each for Lehman. In the first round, Regis downed DYB, 32-27 while GOH beat Lehman 22-10. Leading scorers were Cory Patton, Regis with 12 points, Jodie Dickson DYB, with 8 points, Jonelle Zabresky, GOH with 10 points and Samantha Pankratz and Kristin Sumam from Lehman with 4 points each.

4th grade

In the fourth grade division, St. Nick's/St. Mary's were the champs

with a 26-8 victory over GOH White. Leading scorers were Lauren Davis of St. Nick's with 10 points and Regina Martin of GOH with 4 points. In the third place game, DYB won by a score of 10-9. Joanna Williamson of DYB had 4 points while Maggie Guntli of GOH had 9 points. In the first round games, GOH White beat DYB 23-11 and St. Nick's/St. Mary's beat GOH Green 19-3. Leading scorers were Regina Martin, GOH White, 11 points, Joanna Williamson, DYB, 5 points, Rebecca Horlick, St. Nick's, 5 points and Maggie Guntli GOH Green, 3 points.

Also this year, there was an exhibition game featuring the 3rd grade team from Gate of Heaven versus Dallas Youth Basketball. In that game, which was played Saturday morning GOH came out on top, 18-6. Top scorer for GOH was Kathleen Paley with 6 points.

Basketball Shoot-Out Sunday

The third annual Back Mountain Basketball Shoot-out sponsored by Kingston Township Recreation will be held Sun., March 15 at the Dallas Middle School Gym between 12 and 5 p.m. The Shoot-out is a Free Throw and 3-Point (Lay-ups for the first age group) shooting competition open to boys and girls ages seven through 16. There will also be a parent/child team shooting competition. Age Groups and approximate start times are as follows: Age Groups 7-8 and 9-10 at 12:30; Age Groups 11-12 and 13-14, at 1:45; Age Group 15-16 at 3 p.m. Parent/Child teams at 4 p.m. All participants must report 30 minutes before scheduled start time to register. First, 2nd and 3rd place prizes will be awarded per age group. There is no fee for residents of Kingston Township and a \$5 fee for non-township residents. For additional information, call Bob Zaruta at 675-0066.

BMT soccer registration March 28

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Strikers place at two tournaments

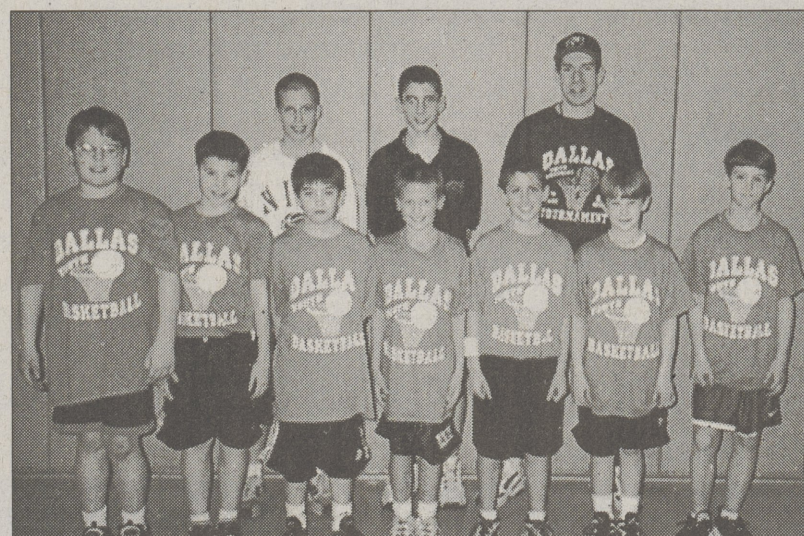
In the Hazleton Tournament on Sat. Feb. 28: Pee Wee: Tyler McDonald, 60 lbs., 3rd place. Bantam: Chris Barbacci, 45 lbs., 1st place. Midget: Matt Dragon, 90 lbs., 3rd place. Junior: Eric Goeringer, 100 lbs., 3rd place. YMCA Tournament-King's College on Sun., March 1 Pee Wee: Tyler McDonald, 60 lbs., 2nd place; Ethan Shaw, 50 lbs., 4th place. Bantam: Tom Parrish, 62 lbs., 3rd place. Midget: Brian Goeringer, 77 lbs., 3rd place. Other Local Wrestlers-Junior High Division: John Houssock, 70 lbs., 2nd place; Ryan Post, 100 lbs., 3rd place; Aaron Kubasik, 105 lbs., 1st place; Jason Mitkowski, 115 lbs., 2nd place; Richie Maciejczak, 154 lbs., 4th place.



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Kasper commits to Penn State

Sara Kasper, a senior at Lake-Lehman High School, made it official when she signed a letter of intent to Penn State University last week. Kasper is the daughter of Craig and Judy Kasper. She plans to continue her career in field hockey at PSU's main campus. Pictured at the signing, from left, seated, Sandy Boyle, field hockey coach; Sara Kasper and Jean Lipski, field hockey coach. Standing, John Oliver, principal; Judy Kasper, Rachel Kasper and Craig Kasper.



Dallas Hardware DYB grade 3-4 team

Dallas Hardware recently completed play in Dallas Youth Basketball's 3rd/4th grade division. Team members are, from left; front row; Daniel Anderson, J.J. Durr, Zach Luzzi, Glen Bynon, Kyle Mahle, Mike Gergel, Brad Fagula. Back row; coach Paul McCue, coach Erich Mahle, head coach George Gracely. Missing from photo, Ian Vankuyk.



Pictured from left, 1st row, seventh grade girls, 1st place, Laura Matzel, 2nd place, Melissa Robinson, 3rd place, Deidre Wengen, and 4th place Tracey Hudak; 2nd row, eighth graders, 1st place, Danielle Kern; 2nd place, Janna Elston; 3rd place, Angie Harris and 4th place, Ashley Yanchik.

L-L Hot Shot hoopsters

The Lake-Lehman Middle Level Education Building recently held its annual hot shot basketball contest. The contest consisted of several rounds in which each student had 45 seconds per round to shoot from different spots on the basketball court to gather points. In each gym class the top 12 students went on to become the champions. This was based on

the number of points that they received, their age, and their gender. Participants would then continue on to play the other class champions. The students pictured successfully completed these rounds. In addition they also had to complete the final round to become champion. The others competed for third and fourth places.



Pictured from left, 1st row, seventh grade boys, 1st place, Brad Baird, 2nd place, Dustin Kapson, 3rd place, Brian Cornia and 4th place, Ryan Mully; 2nd row, eighth graders, 1st place, Jim Belles, 2nd place, Dwayne Kalinay, 3rd place, Jeff Taylor and 4th place, Colin Martinson.

DYB 7-8 girls take 2nd in playoffs

Dallas Youth Basketball 7th and 8th Grade Travel Team recently took second place in 8th Grade WVV League Play offs. 1st row, Brandy Rickaby, Jonelle Dickson, Jill Youngblood, Nancy Levinson, Jamie Sickler; second row, Head coach, Janene Kasarda, Amanda Donahue, Krista Carpenter, Rebecca Rowett, Whitney McOwen, Karla Blase, Rachel Kukowsky.

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