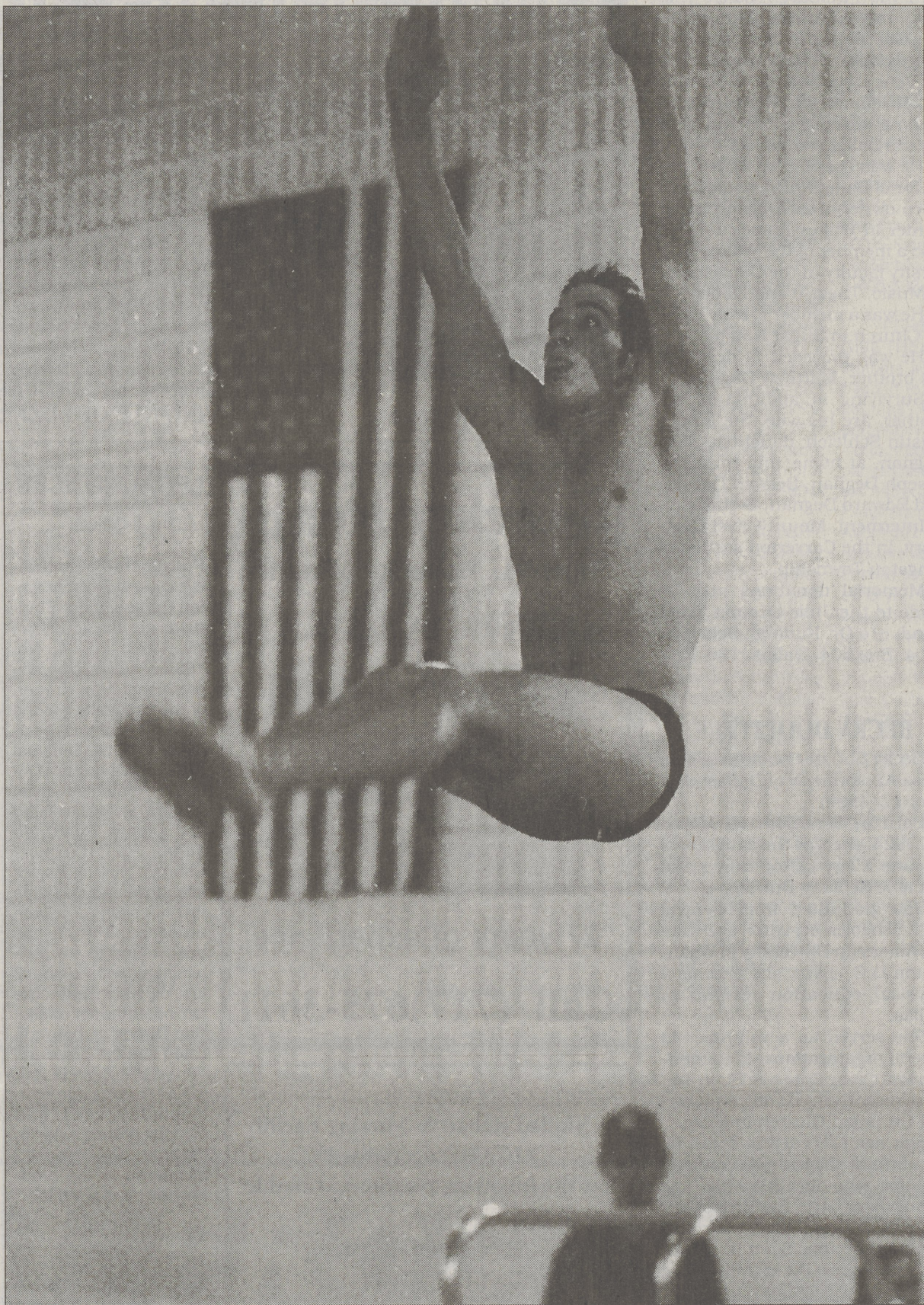
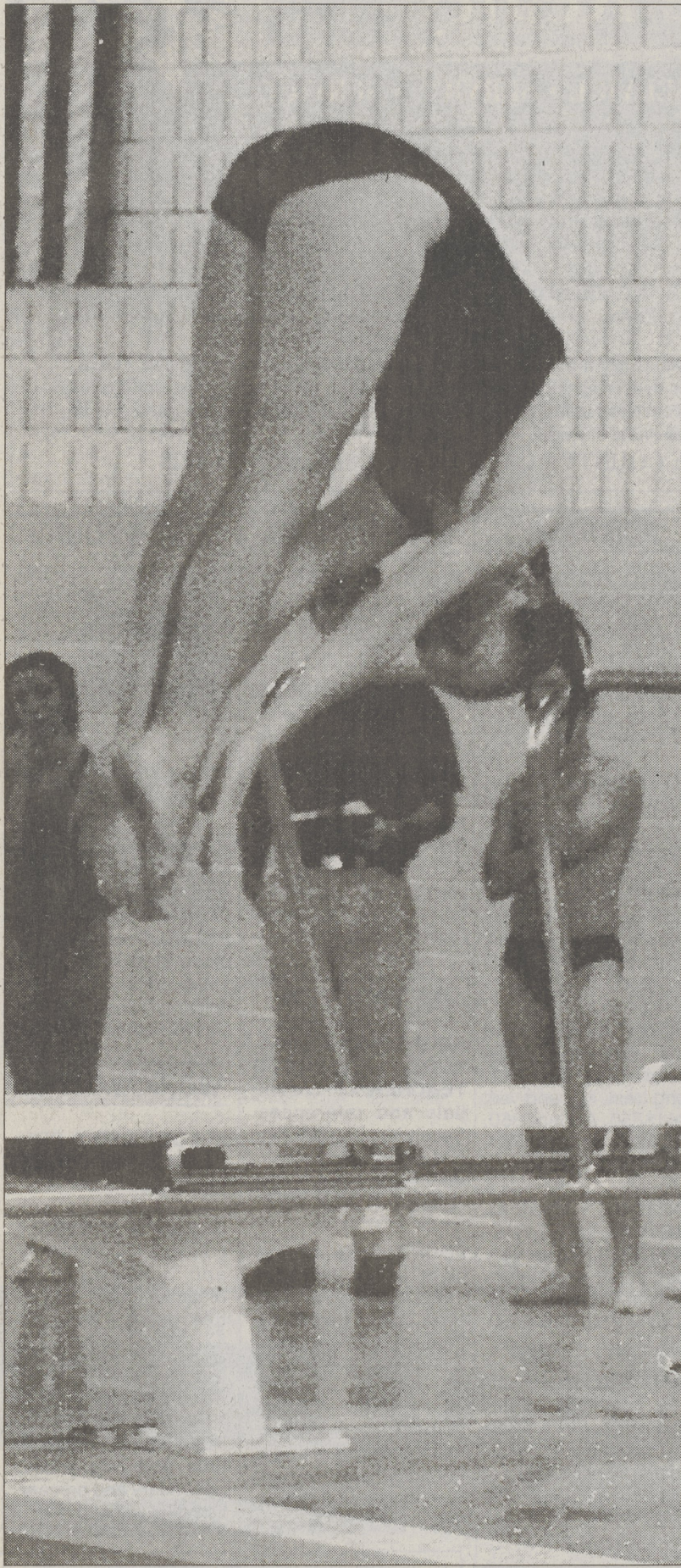


Sports Week

Section 2
January 27, 1999

Ups and downs of diving



Stephanie Potisek, left, and Matt Curtis took opposite paths during the diving competition at the Dallas/Valley View swim meet last week. Potisek won the girls diving segment.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

BOYS SWIMMING

Valley View 100, Dallas 83

Rich Dougal won the 200 free and 100 fly, and Matt Schweitzer took first in the 100 free and 500 free, but it wasn't enough in a meet held Jan. 22 at Kistler.

Wyoming Sem 56, Dallas 46

Rich Dougal won the 50 free and 100 fly, and was on the winning 200 medley relay team, but the Mounts came up just short of victory overall. Robbie Neil won the 100 back, joined Dougal, Matt Kertesz and Carl Wilcox in the 200 medley relay and was second in the 200 individual medley. Kertesz was second in the 100 fly and diving.

GIRLS SWIMMING

Dallas 147, Valley View 30

The Lady Mounts won all 12 events on the way to a lopsided victory. Jacey Peterson won the 200 individual medley and the 100 breast. Stephanie Potisek won diving.

Wyoming Sem 54, Dallas 48

Erin Allardyce won the 100 breast and was second in the 200 individual medley and Shannon Gaffney won the 500 free. Sem's Alana Anzalone edged out Stephanie Potisek off the board, with Erin Cooper third.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Dallas 86, Pittston 49

Dallas dominated on the way to scoring a season-high point total. Stephanie Simonitis led all scorers with 24 points, Katie Austin had 19 and Jenn Noon chipped in 17, including a 3-pointer.

Wyoming Valley West 72, Lehman 26

The Lady Knights were held below double figures in all but the third quarter. Melissa DeCesaris led Lehman with 15 points, Jen Frank had 7.

Dallas 55, Coughlin 50 (OT)

In a game that was even from halftime to the end of regulation, the Lady Mounts prevailed, outscoring the Crusaders 9 to 4 in overtime. Stephanie Simonitis led Dallas with 23 points, followed by Katie Austin's 15 and Jenn Noon's 14. Austin drained a 3-pointer.

Tunkhannock 63, Lehman 23

Melissa DeCesaris netted 25 points in a losing effort. Sarah Davis and Danielle Kern had 6 points each. Davis had one 3-point goal.

Dallas 59, Hanover 40

The scoring was balanced as the Lady Mounts built a four-point first half lead into a nearly 20 point win, outscoring the Hawks 18 to 7 in the third period. Stephanie Simonitis scored 17, Katie Austin had 15, Erika Turner 12, Jenn Noon 8 and Karla Blase 5. Austin canned two 3-pointers.

Lehman 57, GAR 51

The Lady Knights overcame a two-point deficit going into the final quarter and pulled off the win. Lehman never led until the final period. Melissa DeCesaris had 23 points, Danielle Kern scored 12, Jen Frank and Kieran Lucarino had 9 each.

Dallas 55, Lehman 44

In a game postponed one day by icy roads, the Mounts jumped out to a 19-7 first quarter lead and never looked back. Stephanie Simonitis led Dallas with 21 points followed by Jenn Noon's 18, Katie Austin with 7 and Erika Turner with 6. Melissa DeCesaris scored 17 for the Knights, Danielle Kern and Sarah Davis had 7 each, Kieran Lucarino scored 6 and Jen Frank had 5. Noon hit four 3-point shots and Austin, DeCesaris and Davis had one each.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Tunkhannock 76, Lehman 34

The Black Knights trailed all the way. Dave Hage led Lehman with 14 points, followed by Matt Dunn with 8.

Wentko dominates in III Guys win

Rosalyn Wentko dominated the inside game with 24 big points and a 44-35 win. Also scoring for III Guys were Kara Ringler 12 points, Meredith Lacey seven points and Amanda Reese one point, while the defense was held together by Danielle Mikolosko, Katie Smith, Lauren Noreika and Sylena Marmo. Leading the way for the Leader were Rachel Kukosky 31 points, Jaime Youngblood and Samantha Simonette two points apiece. Playing a good defense for the Leader were Julena Hains, Kimberly Touissant and Loni Piekanski.

DYB
7-8 GIRLS

Luzerne Bank 40 - Dallas Rotary 25

Caitlin Dukas came up with a half a dozen steals, a couple of assists and 16 points to lead the bankers to victory 40-25. Other scorers for Luzerne Bank were Jessica Karasek eight points, followed by four points apiece for Halli Williams, Brooke Blase, Jennifer Konopki and Nicole Martin. Erin Swebston played a big role

Chatham Technologies 22 - Dr. Jack Ellis 20

Jody Dickson led Chatham to another close win, pacing all scorers with 14 points. Sarah Piczynski led Dr. Jack Ellis with eight points, while Nikki Pisacano and Robin Razawich chipped in four points each. Jackie Arnaud, Jackie Opel, and Megan Baker contributed with excellent play on the defensive end.

DYB
5-6 GIRLS

Rosenn, Jenkins, Greenwald 16-The Fieldhouse 14

Rosenn, Jenkins, & Greenwald pulled out a close win with a great

defensively along with many big rebounds. Rotary was led by Sherry Senausky nine points, followed by Kelly Brzozowski six points, Krista Carpenter five points, Kristy Schmid four points and Mallory Carey two points. Also contributing for Rotary were Susan Banks, Nicole Macri and Lauren Macri.

Penn State Seed 31 - Josie Italian Water Ice 23

Shannon Thomas led all scorers with a game high 20 points to put Penn Seed at nine wins and 0 losses with one more week remaining in the regular season. Also contributing for Penn Seed were Nicole Bostock nine points and Jaime Sulewski two points. Laura Stark once again played a superior defense for Penn Seed, while Katie Tomek and Ashley Razawich also contributed for Penn Seed. Leading the way for Josie's were Jackie Hardwick 11 points, Lauren Suppon and Ashleigh King six points apiece. Playing a good defense for Josie's were Jessica Roberts, Gabriella Huh, Nicole Klepar and Alyssa Austin.

effort on both ends of the court by Rebecca Clay, leading the way with eight points. Assisting with fine defensive play were Sara Swebston and Melissa Evans. The Fieldhouse had another balanced scoring effort by Kim Durr, Katy Whalen, and Krystal Derhammer.

TGIFriday's 29 - Savage Eye Care Specialists 16

Shoshana Gitlin led TGIFriday's with 12 points, while Tam Morris scored 10 for Savage Eye Care Specialists. Strong defensive performances were turned in by Samantha O'Brien, Alyssa Retzena, and Holly Haddle.

Potisek, Droppers Killer Bees finalists

Stephanie Potisek and Kyle Droppers have been named finalists for the Student-Athlete awards, to be presented at the Killer Bees Athletic Club's annual banquet. They are among three male and three female finalists.

Potisek ranks first in the senior class at Dallas High School. She won the District 2 Class AA diving championship last year, plays field hockey in the fall and runs track in the spring.

Droppers plays football, basketball and baseball at Wyoming Seminary, where he is ranked near the top of the senior class.

The banquet will be held Saturday, Feb. 6, at the Genetti Hotel & Convention Center, beginning at 6 p.m.

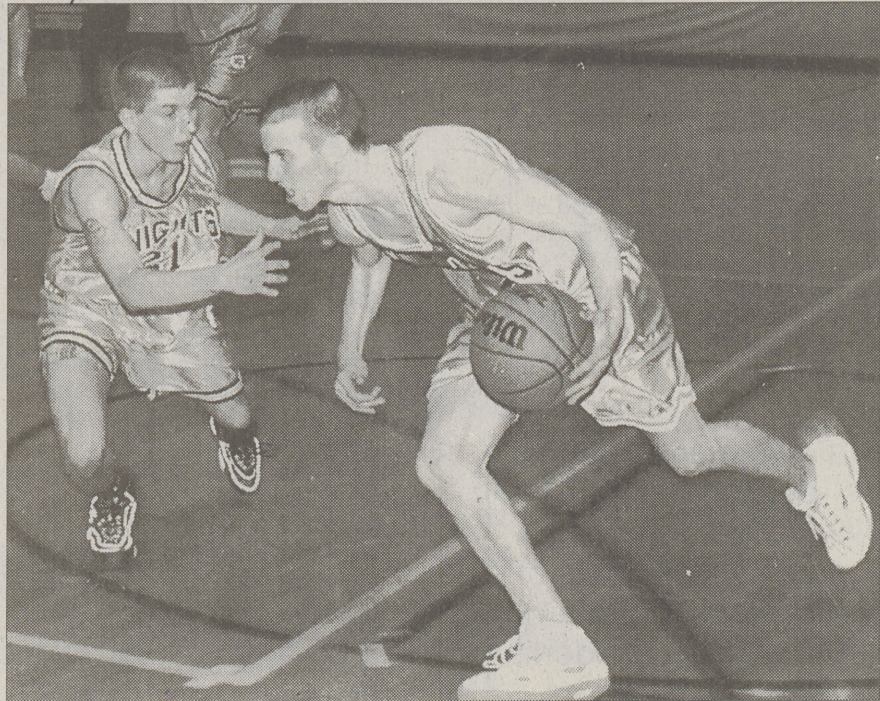
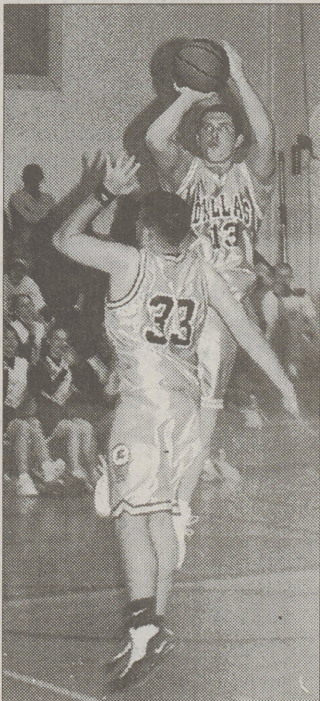
Tickets are \$25 each, and can be obtained by calling Ted Wampole at 675-7993 days or 823-2186 nights and weekends.

Back Mountain baseball, softball signups Feb. 6

Back Mountain Baseball and Softball will conduct player registration for the 1999 season for all players who have not yet registered on Saturday, Feb. 6 from 9 a.m.-noon at the Dallas Middle School.

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 pro-

grams 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 or Softball should bring his or her birth certificate to registration as proof of age. The cost of registration is \$35 for the first child in a family, \$15 for the second child and \$10 for each additional child.



Mounts win big

Dallas dominated when the team met Lehman last week. Above left, J.J. Smith put up a jumper over Dom Castrigano. Smith had eight points. Russ Eyt, right photo, drove on Bob Baird. Eyt scored 17.

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