

Sports Week

Lehman falls in shootout

The Black Knights managed an early lead, but eventually fell to Hershey in the second round of a shootout. The quarterfinal state playoff game was held Saturday on a field at the Lewisburg Middle School.

After the Knights struggled early on offense, Alyson Bevan scored the first

goal of the game as time expired in the first half. Hershey added the next two goals of the game. Colleen Mahon tied the game with about nine minutes remaining in the second half to send the game to overtime. After two sudden-death overtimes ended without a score, the teams played the mandatory shootout.

The first shootout ended 1-1, with Lake-Lehman getting a goal from Maureen White. The second shootout ended 3-0 in favor of Hershey, as the Hershey defender stopped solid shots by Janelle Perlis, Rachel Kasper and Alyson Bevan.

Lehman had beaten Villa Maria 2-1 in overtime to advance.



Alyson Bevan pushed in the first Lehman goal as time expired in the first half.



Melissa DeCesaris stole the ball from a Hershey player.



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The Black Knights fan club was on hand to cheer on their team. From left: Matt McMahon, Eric Messerle, Ricky Hislop, Matt Dunn, Brian McMahon (with banner), Dom Castrigano, Ryan Watson, Dave DeLong, Tony Van Scoy and Matt Kehler. More photos on page 10.

Intermetro edges Pace 43-41

John McGeehan scored 17 points and Carl Seitz 10 points to lead Intermetro to a 43-41 win over Pace in DYB 7th/8th grade action. Pat Harmon added 2 points while Jon Stephens led the defense for Intermetro. Pace was led by Elijah Miller with 17 points and Jeff Pace with 9. Chris Mounce had 6 points and led the rebounding, while Eric Dal Santo added 2 points.

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Fieldhouse 53 - Sneaker King 43

Matt Wilson's game high 26 points led the Fieldhouse to a 53-43 win over Sneaker King. Chris Kester added 12 points and Ryan Gower 4 points for the Fieldhouse, while Matt Tucker led the rebounding. Ken Regan led Sneaker King with 23 points, while Joe Bednash scored 3 points and Brian Gibbons and Jared Nothstein 2 each.

Gilroy Real Estate 34 - Eastern Penn Supply 22

Chris Higdon scored a game high 14 points and Gene Lispi added 9 as Gilroy defeated Eastern Penn 34-22. Also scoring for Gilroy were Ryan Murray with 5 points, Ryan Marascio with 2, and Adam Snider, 1 point. Eric Baltimore led Eastern Penn with 13 points, while Joe Austin and Matt Adler led the defense. The rebounding was led by Bruce Deeble.

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Rotary comes up big in final period

Meredith Lacey and Rebekah Clay led Dallas Rotary to a comeback 33-26 victory in a close game, with Lacey coming up with 13 points and controlling the game with assists while Clay had 6 points and owned the boards for the Rotary. Josie's Jackie Hardwick started the 1st quarter

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with 4 points and Jessica English added a field goal to lead after one period 6-2. Hardwick dominated the second quarter with 8 points, many rebounds and assists followed by a bucket by Samantha Decker. Kim Durr led the Rotary's second quarter scoring with 6 points, followed by Lacey and Clay 4 points apiece to end the half tied at 16. Hardwick started the third quarter where she left off chipping in with 5 points. Rotary kept it close with Lacey hitting for 4 points.

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Mounts host Valley View for district title game

Dallas scored 21 points in the second quarter as the Mountaineers cruised to a 31-7 win over Pittston in the District 2 Class AAA semifinals Saturday afternoon at home. Matt Acri was the offensive star, grinding out 135 yards on the ground including two touchdowns. His running partner in the backfield, Matt Jackson, added two touchdowns and 84 yards on the ground.

Quarterback Chuck Suppon was 6-for-10 for 112 passing yards. Matt Douglas tacked on a field goal of 47 yards in the third quarter. Dallas will host Valley View this Saturday for the district championship.

The Cougars advanced by beating Berwick 24-21, in a game that might have cost them their star quarterback Tony Pambianco, who suffered what coaches said was a severe ankle injury. If Pambianco doesn't play, Valley View will likely move Sean Castellani to the signal caller position, and that could be good news for Dallas. Castellani burned Berwick for 196 yards on the ground, running behind an offensive line that opened big cracks in the Dawgs' defense.

Valley View has had an up-and-down season, losing 6-0 to Honesdale in a game that saw them held to just 77 rushing yards. They come in with a 9-2 record to the Mountaineers 10-1 mark.



POST PHOTO/JIM PHILLIPS

Two Pittston defenders tried to pull down Matt Acri Saturday. The senior fullback ran for 135 yards in the 31-7 win.

Game tickets on sale

Advance tickets for the District II Championship Football game between Dallas and Valley View can be purchased Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 8-11 at the

Dallas Middle School and 11-2:30 at the Dallas High School Athletic Office located at the rear of the high school. Cost is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students.

Slocum stars for Pirates

Drew Slocum of Shavertown, stopped eight shots as the Pocono Pirates skated to a 2-1 victory over the Harrisburg Vipers in overtime Nov. 13. On Sunday, Slocum skated as a forward and scored one goal in a 4-2 loss.

Dallas Alumni soccer game Nov. 27

The Annual Alumni Soccer game between the 1999 Dallas High School soccer team and former Dallas soccer players will be held on Saturday, November 27 at 1 p.m. at the High School soccer field.

Defense holds line in state quarterfinal

Sophomore midfielder Paul Shiber scored on a pass from senior captain Jesse Williams 28 minutes into the game as Dallas advanced into the state AA semifinal against Octorara in Hershey. For the second consecutive state game, junior goalkeeper Nate Hoffman shut out the opposition, making five saves, all key. The defensive line in front of Hoffman, sophomores Andrew George and Tim Faneck and junior Adam Clay, played spectacular ball in the second half when Conrad Weiser was controlling the possession of the ball. Dallas played Tuesday afternoon, too late for results to be included in this issue. With a win, they would advance to the state title game Saturday.

Dallas 0, ELCO 0 (Dallas Wins 4-2 in Shootout)

Dallas advanced to the PIAA AA state quarterfinals with a shootout win over defending state champion ELCO. After a scoreless 80 minutes of regulation, the teams battled to four scoreless sudden-death overtime periods before the mandatory shootout. The first four Mountaineer shooters all scored, while ELCO had two misses, thus ending the shootout after four shooters from each team. Ricky Branco, Paul Shiber, Adam Clay, and Josh Katyl all converted for Dallas. Keeper Nate Hoffman made a huge save on the first shot of the shootout and added two saves in the time before the shootout.

Local riders place at State 4-H Horse Show

Twenty Luzerne County 4-H members received awards at the 40th Annual State 4-H Horse Show held October 8-10 at the State Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg.

County winners in 4-H performance classes were: Chelsea Andrews, Sweet Valley, 6th in Hunter Hack Horses; Sydney Guelich, Dallas, 3rd in Western Grooming and Showmanship, Jr., 4th in Stock Seat Equitation Jr., and 3rd in Western Pleasure Horses Jr. Rider; Jamie Laubenstein, Harveys Lake, 7th in Pleasure Pairs; Amber Lauri, Hunlock Creek, 10th in Pole Bending Ponies; Carrie Martin, Dallas, 1st in Draft Horse Driving;