

Sports Week

Section 2

December 27, 2000

Crossin's 37 points lead House of Nutrition to 8th win

House of Nutrition left off right where they were all season long, another close game and another win, 53-52 over Wyoming Valley Prosthetics and Orthotics. Tim Crossin once again led his team to 8 wins and 0 losses with a game-high 37 points, followed by Matt Empfield and Curtis Montz 4 points each, Jesse Swartwood 3 points, Justin Singer and Jonathon Baker each had 1 point for the Winners. WV Prosthetics and Orthotics were led by Chris Kester with 14 points, followed by Mike Lloyd 13 points, Jared Nothstein 12 points, D.J. Molino 9 points and Andrew Gramps 4 points.

DYB
7-8 BOYS

KELLY AUTO PARTS 77, FIELDHOUSE 64

Ryan Marascio and Matt Kelly exploded for 49 points, to upset Field House 77 to 146. Marascio led the way with a team-high 25 points, followed by Kelly 24 points, Jonathon Pall 14 points, Gracjan Kraszewski had 9 points, and Conor Judge finished with 5 points. Matt Wilson led the Fieldhouse with 36 points, followed by Ryan Murray 19 points, Steve Wengen 6 points. Sean McAndrew, Mike Wyberski and Josh Mounce all punched in a bucket.

APPLEWOOD GOLF COURSE 58 GILROY REALTORS 43

Eric Samanas and Jonathon Stephens led the wry with 21 and 20 points respectively, to guide Applewood Golf Course to victory 58 to 43. Other members of the winning team were Mike Race 11 points, Jeff Decker 4 points and Nick Samanas with 2 points. Leading the way for Gilroy Realtors were Jimmy Schwerdtman with 31 points, followed by Ben Thomas with 9 points and Brandon Wills with 3 points.

WILKES-BARRE PALLET 75, BONNER CHEVROLET 23

John Paul Parulski and Sean Leary looked for 20/20 and round 40 points, 20 points each to lead their team to victory 75-23. Matt Daube put in 17 points, followed by Bobby Lenahan with 10 points and J.J. Durr with 8 points for the winners. Leading the way for the car dealership was Robbie Tomko with a team high 8 points, followed by Jeremy Weinstock. Adam King, Eric Domzalski, all contributing with 4 points and Chris Parrish had 3 points.

Micheal Tonart leads Rotary to win

Michael Tonart scored a game-high 12 points to lead Dallas Rotary to a 37-17 win over Dallas Lions. Jason Darling and Ryan Konopki added 10 each for the winners while Josh Young and Mike Rutalis keyed the defense. Mike McAndrew and Paul Kowalek scored 8 each for the Lions, while Craig Nilsson added 1 point and Paul Shaver led the rebounding.

DYB
5-6 BOYS

LUZERNE BANK 37, PRIMERICA 17

Brad Fagula scored 25 points and Mike Gergel 6 as Luzerne National Bank Topped Primerica 37-17. Justin Rice and Peter Blanchard led the defense. Brendan Delaney led Primerica with 8 points while Josh Halbing added 2. Bruce Sobocinski pulled down 4 rebounds while David Bartos led the defense.

LLEWELLYN & MCKANE 51, COMMONWEALTH 28

Llewellyn & Mckane defeated Commonwealth Telephone 51-28. Commonwealth was led by Doug Harding with 16 points and Greg

Nothstein with 10. Ryan Phillips added 5 points while C.J. Yavorski led the defense. No results were reported by the coaching staff of Llewellyn & McKane.

QUALITY COLLISION 43, PENN STATE SEED 17

David Luksh scored a game-high 16 points and Guy Carpenter added 10 as Quality Collision, Inc. topped Penn State Seed 43-17. Max Millington added 8 points and Chris Larson 2 for Quality while Eric Butruce keyed the defense. Daniel Taroli led Penn State Seed with 8 points, while Dan Jacobs scored 6 and Chris Klais 5. Adam Besecker led the rebounding.

Travel team falls hard

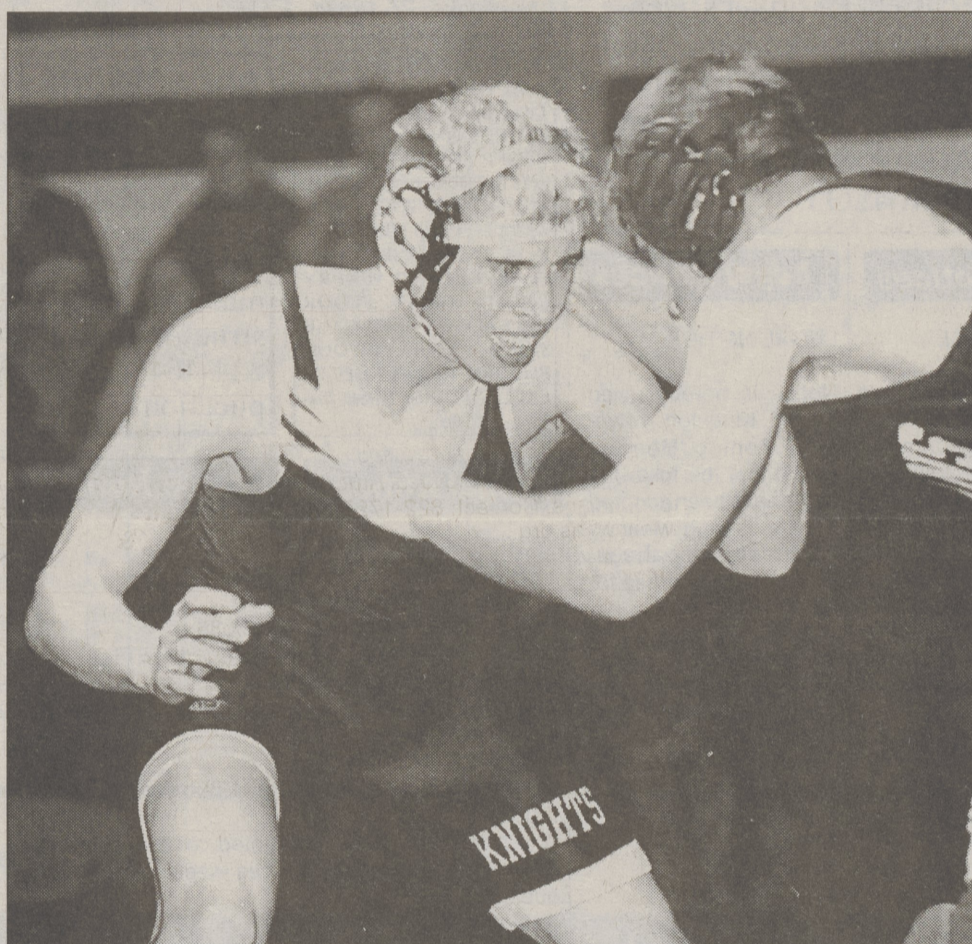
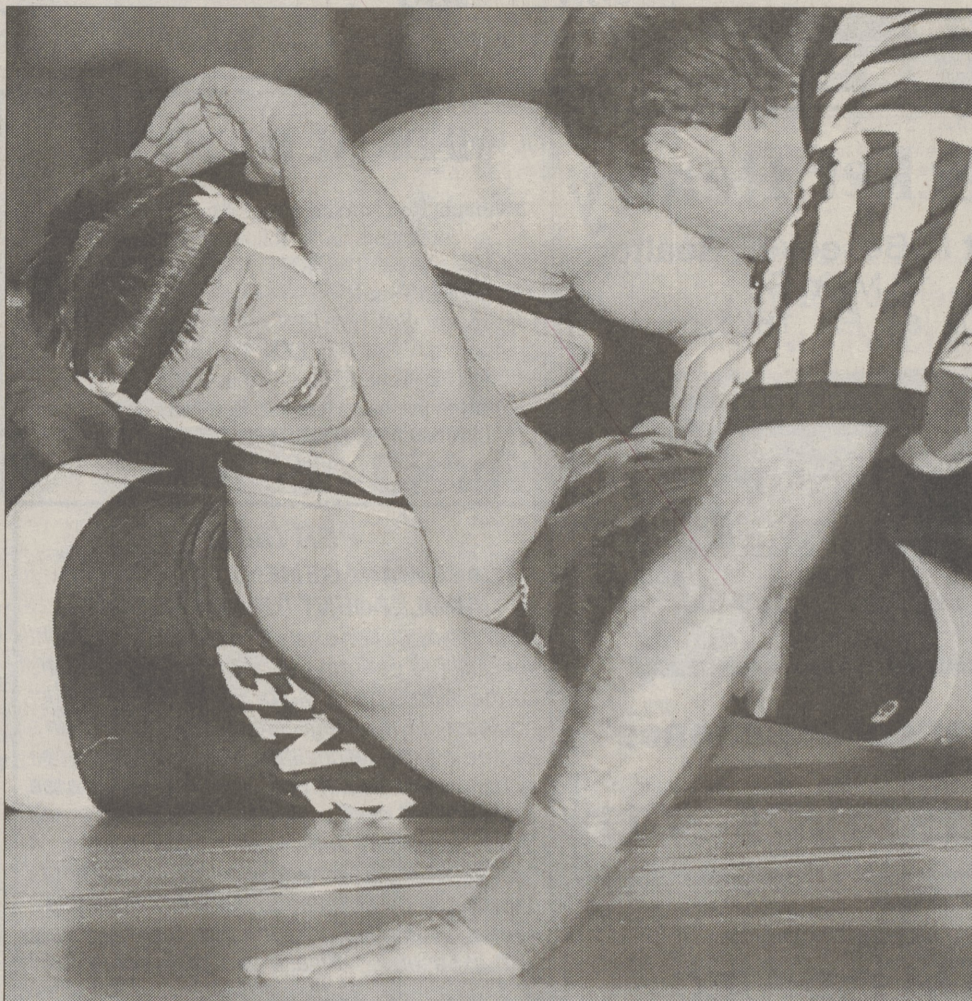
The 5th grade boys travel team lost their first game of the season to the Firm Athletic Club 41-19 at the Old Forge Holiday Tournament. Mark Covert led the scoring for Dallas with 9 points, while Kyle Arnaud and Michael Gross added 2 points each. Joe Kaiser led the rebounding. Dallas will next play Dunmore in the double-elimination event.

Pirates lose on last-minute goal

Drew Slocum, Shavertown, turned back 21 shots by the PA Predators, but one that got by with 37 seconds remaining was the difference as the Pocono Pirates Squirt Black team lost a heart-breaker 2-1 in King of Prussia. The Pirates had tied the game at 1-1 with six minutes to go.

Travel team takes first loss

Dallas Youth Basketball 7th & 8th grade travel team had their first lose of the season, by Chucks Auction 40 to 48. DYB remained in first place with a 6-1 record. Leading the way for DYB were Tim Crossin 17 points, Matt Wilson 15 points, Ben Thomas and Chris Kester 3 points apiece



Black Knights top Nanticoke

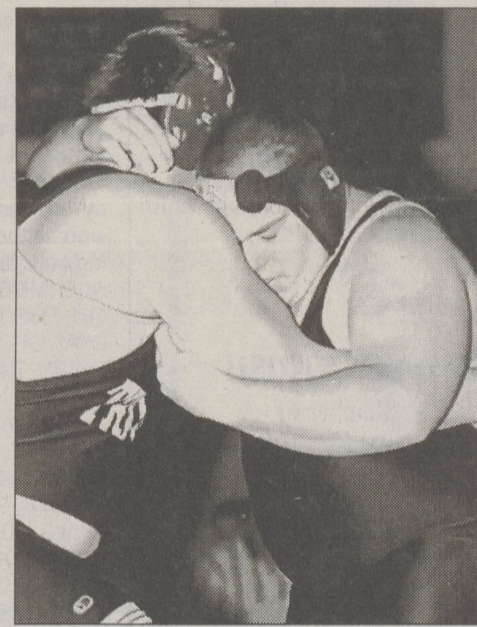
The Lake-Lehman wrestling team took a meet last week from Nanticoke 48-27.

In photos, from top: B.J. Lewis worked on Nanticoke's Dave Romanowski in the 189 lb. division. Lewis pinned his opponent seconds after this shot was taken. Jeff Taylor (135) and Aaron Moyer (140) also won on falls, while John Houssock, started Lehman off with a win at 103 lb.

Bobby Morris grappled at 160 lb. He ended up on the short end of a 7-3 score.

Below, Mike Hillman locked up with his opponent, but not for long. He suffered a pin in the first period.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

WRESTLING

Lake-Lehman 48, Nanticoke 27

Lake-Lehman used four falls and four forfeits to help its cause in beating the Trojans of Nanticoke Wednesday night. Jeff Taylor (135), Aaron Moyer (140), and B.J. Lewis (189) earned falls over their Trojan counterparts, while John Houssock at 103 pounds opened the meet with a pinfall victory for the Black Knights. Kelby Morgan (112), Aaron Kubasik (119), Jon Schultz (125), and Ed Becker (171) earned the forfeit wins.

Dallas 53, Scranton Prep 23

Dallas's strong performance was highlighted by Mitch Onzik's heavy-weight class pin in 25 seconds over his Cavalier opponent. Brian Parrish (125), Todd Jones (145), Lewis Spurlin (152), and Chuck Yurkon (171) also had Mountaineer pins. Perry Coolbaugh at 140 pounds earned a technical fall victory by a 15-0 margin. A.J. Musto (103) and Ryan Dimmick (119) won by forfeit.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Dallas 72, Coughlin 49

Shannon Thomas scored 20 points to lead four Mountaineers who scored double figures in Thursday's rout of Coughlin. Meredith Lacey was next with 14. Crystal Heffner netted 11. Thomas and Lacey each nailed two three-point baskets in the contest. After an even first quarter, the Mountaineers went on to outscore the Crusaders 57-34 the rest of the way.

Lake-Lehman 63, Pittston 59

A 31-19 edge in the middle two quarters enabled the Black Knights to knock off Pittston Area at home Thursday night. Danielle Kern's 21 points led the Lake-Lehman offense. The team also got a lift from Tracey Hudak, who scored a dozen points, and Tricia Coombs, who added 11.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Pittston 72, Lake-Lehman 56

The Patriots defeated the Knights by 16 Thursday night in Pittston. Matt Dun had 13 points and Walko had 23 in being the high scorer for Lake-Lehman.

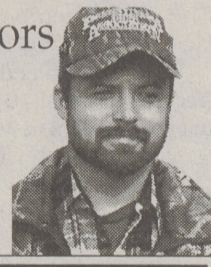
Dwayne Kalinay added eight points that included two three-pointers. The game was 46-41 heading into the fourth period, but Pittston dominated the quarter to win comfortably.



Most valuable at Sem

Mansee Patel, or Shavertown, left, and Samantha Lloyd, also of Shavertown, were named Wyoming Seminary's most valuable players in girls tennis and field hockey respectively. They are shown with their awards, and Gary Vandenburg, athletic director.

Back Mountain Outdoors



Chris Denmon

Lots of big bears taken this year

lowing only Carbon County with a phenomenal 550 percent increase.

In our region of the state the harvest was as follows: Bradford, 48; Carbon, 72; Columbia, 33; Lackawanna, 35; Luzerne, 72; Monroe, 101; Northumberland, 8; Pike, 170; Sullivan, 94; Susquehanna, 19; Wayne, 112; Wyoming, 50.

While Pike County only ranked fifth in terms of bear harvest it did take pride in producing some of the largest bears that were taken this year. Out of the top 10 bears that were taken this year, three of them were taken in Pike County. The largest harvested in Pike County was a 622 pounder that was taken by Rick Druckenmiller of Northampton. The county that boasts the most bears killed this year was Carbon County. Not only did this county harvest the most bears in the state, it also has the distinction of the largest bear taken, a 637 pounder taken by Lawrence Clow Jr. of Centerville, Maryland. The bear was taken on the second day in Gruen Township. There were five bears harvested that tipped the scales at over 600 pounds. The smallest of the top 10 bears was taken by Ken Snyder and weighed 571 pounds.

According to bear biologists, several bears have been tagged in Pennsylvania that would tip the scales at nearly 1,000 pounds and would become new world records if harvested. These bears however, have eluded hunters and are still roaming Penn's woods.

This year Pennsylvania bear hunters set a new record during the three-day bear season. The old record that was recorded in 1998 at 2,598 bears was shattered this year with an unbelievable harvest of 3,070 animals.

The three days of ideal weather conditions coupled with an excellent turnout of hunters and the availability of food made for the excellent bear harvest this year. Also, the relatively low bear harvest in 1999 when numbers were calculated at 1,740, made for an even better chance at left-over bears from last year.

This year there was significant numbers of nuisance bear reports and if it weren't for the available berry and mast crops in the forest those numbers would have been much higher, according to Pennsylvania Game Commission bear biologist Mark Ternent. "The harvest did more to stabilize the population than to impact future bear hunting in the commonwealth" Ternent said. "That's why we hold bear season in late November: it ensures a significant number of bears — particularly females — den prior to the hunting season."

Compared to last year the difference in harvest numbers is almost staggering. In Luzerne County alone bear harvest increased by 370 percent. It was the second largest county wide harvest increase in Pennsylvania, fol-

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