Fulton
grew close to those kids, and
was able to watch them grow. was able to watch them grow.
"He was a devoted husband, He was a devoted husband,
proud father and he lived for toproud father and he lived for to-
day. He was the greatest," said Mary Jo. "He enjoyed working
with the players, parents and coaching with Pat (McCue) at Dallas so much."
Fulton worked
Fulton worked as a correc
tions officer at the State Corre tional Institute at Dallas for the past several years, and is sur-
vived by his wife and daughter. In an interview with some of the players Fulton coached at Dalas, this is what they had to say:
"Coach Fulton is one of the strongest people I know. He showed up for practice everyday when he was sick, and his personality, confidence and strength to fight through his cancer inspired the team." Dan Mulhern,
Senior, guard
"Coach Fulton was a great guy. He would help anyone out no matter what they needed, and he was one of the nicest guys I've ever met."

Blake Saba
"He always told us to come to every game and be prepared, and was never afraid to tell us what we were doing right or wrong.

Herb Bressler
"I looked forward to practices and the games, because of Coach Fulton. I wouldn't want anyone else as my coach but him."

Jeff Dickson
Junior, guard
"He had a big impact on my life both on and off the court. I could always hear him on the bench talking to me during the game. He took great pride in everything he had."

Paul McCue
"You could talk to Coach Fulton about anything. He taught me a lot about basketball, and a lot of other stuff."

Mike English Junior, forward

## Bullpen

## Butcofski learned the team

 was also signing Nagle, who hewould have to compete with for would have to compete with for enough, in his first practice at Wilkes-Barre/Scranton's training camp, he suffered an ankle
${ }^{\text {injury. }}$ "I am really happy that Kevin Nagle) signed with the team but it does not help my chances to have to compete for one of only two linebacker spots open on the eam," said Butcofski.
Butcotski has until March 30
to impress his coaches enough


A's capture championship
Back Mountain Athletics recently received their trophies for winning the 2001 major league softball championship. The team had a league record of 10-2.
Pictured, from left, first row: Kristin Evans, Abby Baltimore, Amber Cahill, Shauna Phillips, Alicia Se bastian, Lisa Giacometti. Second row: Manager Jeff Pace, Kathleen Paley, Angela Wagner, Courtney Taylor, Amanda Frain, Stephanie Pace, Kelsey Moody, Jacqueline Thomas and assistant coach Kurt

'Boxing Baskethall' at Lehman-Jackson

The Lehman-Jackson Elementary basketball program recent-
ly ended the season with its annual "Boxing Basketball" game. Sixth grade boys and girls squared off against their team benefited from the added advantage that the adults had to wear Boxing gloves during the game Over 90 fifth and sixth grade
students took advantage of the PTA's sponsored program while Chairpersons Andrea Mitkus and Dwayne Poepperling coor dinated the numerous volunteer coaches and help needed
ordinate the program. Shown in photo: Chad Brudnic ki (grey), boys coach, Bob Mitkus, Justin Eimers (yellow).

## Gate of Heaven boys finish second in league

The Gate of Heaven boys var- against Holy Rosary of Duryea. sity basketball team recently Gate of Heaven's Chris DeRojas captured second place in the West Side Catholic Basketball League
The eighth-grade team ad-
vanced to the championship game before losing against undefeated Regis Academy Gold, 39-36, in a game played at
Bishop O'Reilly High School. Bishop O'Reilly High School. game-high 18-points for the Gators, who finished the season with a 14-4 record. He joined teammate Mike Clemente on the
league's all-star team, which was selected by the coaches. throw shooting contest during the league's skills competition. Gate of Heaven's Joe Bailey won a sportsmanship award, while former Gator coach Juan special appreciation award by league president Harry Kaskey. In the seventh grade league,
the Gators ended the regular led all scorers with 28 points. Brendan Delaney added 14 ished with a $7-8$ record whil playing against eighth-grad playing again
competition.
The Gators es in Gators posted three victoes in the last five games of the In a high-scoring game gainst St. Mary's of WilkesBarre, DeRojas poured in 46
points in an $80-73 \mathrm{win}$. Delaney added 20 points for the winIn a $46-43$ win against
Wyoming Area jas scored 16 points, Jeff Clemente added 13 and Keith Hizney chipped in 12 to lead the And in a 57-41 victory against Sacred Heart, the trio combined for 45 points. DeRojas led the way with 16 points, while Clemente and Hizney finished
with 15 and 14 points, resped with 15
tively.

Leadership Wilkes Barre golf tournament
Members of the 2002 Leadership Wilkes-Barre class are sponsorng a golf tournament on Friday May 24 at Blue Ridge Trail Golf with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Registration will be at 12 noon. There is a $\$ 90$ registration fee per player that includes greens fee
and cart, refreshments during play and dinner. Motorworld is co and cart, refreshments during play and dinner. Motorworld is con tll golfers will receive a gift for participeting
Sponsor names will be displayed prominently on the course ou would like to participate either as a player or a sponsor, please

Back Mountain Youth Soccer sets registration Back Mountain Youth Soccer Association will be holding registraion for the Fall 2002 Intramural Soccer Season from 9 a.m. to p.m. on Saturday, April 6 in the Dallas Senior High School Cafete
ia. Age groups U-8 through U-18 will be accepted. Eligible playe must be at least 6 years of age before August 1, 2002. A special introductory program will be available for children who will be 5 before August 1,2002 . Social Security numbers and proof of age required.

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Tickets avaitable for Dallas Youth
Basketball annual banquet Dallas Youth Basketball will
hold its annual banquet at 6
p.m. Sunday, April 14 at Genet-
ti's Best Western in Wilkes
Barre. All players receive a tick-
et at no cost with the purchase
of an adult ticket. Tickets are
$\$ 12$ for adults and $\$ 10$ for chil-
dren age 12 and under. There is
no admission charge for chil-
dren under age 4 .
The banquet will feature a
family-style dinner, and indi-
vidual and team awards for
boys and girls will be present-
ed.
Tickets may be purchased at
any DYB game or by calling
Peggy Lacey at $696-4603$.

Dallas Jr. Football registrations
you are a young man or
young lady and you will be be Yween the ages of $6-13$ bib tuge 1 las Twp. or Franklin Two. .areas you can be playing football or
cheering for the Dallas Jr. Mounts.
Registrations will be held from 10 a.m-2 p.m. on Saturday
March 23 and from 6-8 Friday May 10. You ned to bring copies of your Birth Certificate Health Insurance, a recent phoquestions call $674-5549$.
to get one of the Pioneer roster spots, and feels that his ankle it not a serious probiem. right now during the drills be cause of my ankle," said Butcofski. "These guys are getting reps and I'm not. It's not good for me,
but I think everything will be all but I think everything will be all
right." right. Athough his professional fu-
ture is uncertain, and his is to the wall once again, don feel sorry for Rich Butcofski -
he doesn't. He has been thr he doesn't. He has been through
all this before





King Crossword


