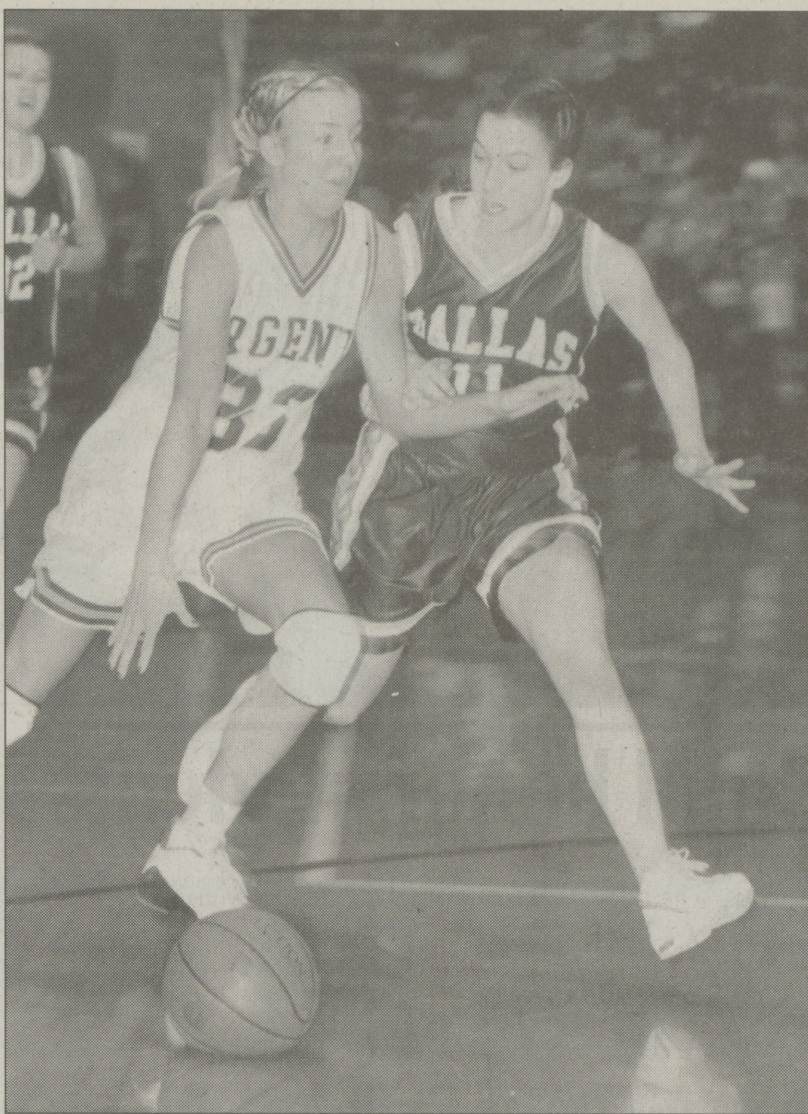


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Ashleigh King hangs on to a rebound, above. At right, Meredith Lacey played some tight defense.



Champions

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Hoban. "I don't want to forget this moment ever," an elated coach Joe Noon said in between hugs and handshakes from Dallas supporters. "That's why we're (still) here, we're enjoying it so much. This is just great for the girls. I'm so happy for the girls. I really am."

Dallas (22-5) meets District 3 No. 6 seed Palmyra (23-5) in the first round of the PIAA playoffs Friday at a site and time to be announced. Hoban (24-3) plays D-11 runner-up Southern high (19-9), also on Friday.

The Lady Mountaineers employed a seemingly perfect mix of up-tempo and patient basketball, with the goal of getting the 6-foot-2 Alexis in foul trouble.

"We knew we had to spread

"These kids played absolutely awesome."

Joe Noon
Dallas coach

'em out," Noon explained. "We had to keep the ball away from Alexis because she's gonna score, she's a dominant player."

Alexis, who scored a combined 72 points in the two earlier meetings, picked up two quick personals in the first quarter, then got fouls three and four — both of the questionable variety — within a few minutes of the third.

Junior Meredith Lacey led the Lady Mounts with 17 points, including two huge three-pointers during an 11-2 run in the third

quarter. Lacey had four of her team's seven treys on the day.

The slick guard was feeling it right from the bell, when she scored five of Dallas's first seven points.

"It's like as soon as it leaves your hand, there it is. It's a good feeling," Lacey said.

It appeared the rest of the Lady Mountaineers were "on" as well. Junior guard Shannon Thomas scored 13 points, thanks to some tough work inside; and sophomore Cory Patton ignited her team off the

bench with some long-distance shooting and ballhandling. Patton finished with 12, including a rainbow to start the fourth quarter.

"We were up by 11 and we just kept making everything," Patton said. "Everybody got hot."

And everybody contributed. Junior forward Jackie Hardwick had eight points, King, also a junior, chipped in seven while providing some tough defensive help inside on Alexis, sophomore Megan Savage added four points off the bench, and junior forward Rosalyn Wentko had two.

"I gotta say one thing," said Noon, still grinning. "There's no 'I' in team the way we spell it. We spell it with a 'W' — WE. These kids played absolutely awesome."



Dallas aquatic teams honor seniors

Dallas High School's Swimming and Diving Team recently honored their seniors at a home meet against Hanover.

From left, first row, kneeling: Annie Savage, Lynn Kirkwood, Megan Riny.

Second row: Steve Losh, Dan Smith, John Gilligan.

Third row: Coach Matt Stretanski, Jen Arthur, (Girl's Co-Captain); Peter Van Loon, Rob Guard, Dan Piccillo, Bobby Murphy, (Boy's Co-Captain); Joe Stredny, (Boy's Co-Captain); Mark O'Brien, Tom Wilcox, Lacey Cooper, (Girl's Co-Captain); Coach Jill McGinley.

KT Raiders begin signups

The Kingston Township Raiders Junior Football Organization announces registration on March 8, from 10 a.m.-12 noon, at the Shavertown Fire Department on Main Street in Shavertown. Any boy or girl, ages 6-14 as of August 1, who would like to be a football player or cheerleader should bring a copy of his or her birth certificate, a recent photograph, and medical insurance information. The Raiders are seeking football and cheerleading coaches for A, B and C Teams. Those interested should inquire about these positions at registration. For further information, contact Dorothy Backes at 696-0128.

Playoff tickets on sale

Tickets for the first round PIAA state playoff girls basketball game between Dallas and Palmyra will be on sale through Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Dallas High School Athletic Office. The advance price is \$6 for adults and \$3 for students. All tickets at the door will be \$6. The game will be played Saturday at 1 p.m. at Wilkes University.

Trout Unlimited chapter to present Joe Humphreys

The Stanley Cooper Sr. Chapter of Trout Unlimited will feature internationally known fly fisherman Joe Humphreys at its March 11 meeting.

Humphreys taught fly fishing at Penn State for over 20 years, hosted an ESPN series, wrote a column for Fly Rod and Reel magazine, and published two books: "Joe Humphreys's Trout Tactics," and "On the Trout Stream with Joe Humphreys." He has been a member of the U.S. national fly fishing team, and is considered to be one of the best fly fishermen in the country.

Vice President Dick Cheney has said the nymphing system Humphreys teaches on his video "A Casting Approach to Nymphing" is the best he's ever seen.

Humphreys' other videos are "A Casting Approach to Dry Flies in the Brush," and "Night Games."

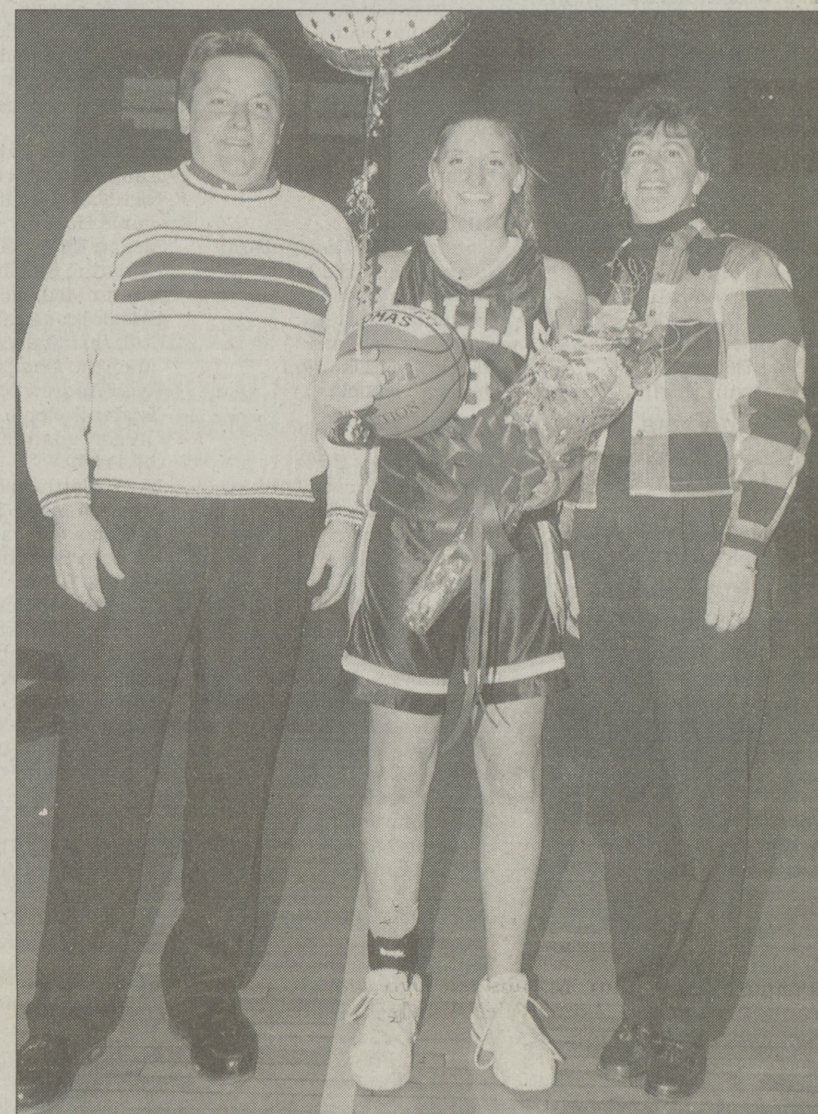
Humphreys will present a video program titled, "Nymphing Day and Night." In the video he will explain nymphing techniques, he's developed that will catch trout consistently, day or night.

The program will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the VFW Anthracite Post 283, 757 Wyoming Ave., Kingston. Admission is free and the public is invited to attend.

The mission of the Stanley Cooper Sr. Chapter of Trout Unlimited, based in Wyoming Valley, is to protect, preserve and restore area trout streams and their habitat. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month, except July and August.

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Thomas hits 1,000 point milestone

Dallas junior Shannon Thomas scored her 1000th point for the varsity team during the Mountaineers' 45-42 win over North Pocono last week. A starter since she first set foot on the Dallas court, Shannon has been a key element in the team's success this year, capped by a victory over Bishop Hoban last Saturday to win the District 2 Class 3A championship.

Shannon was honored for her accomplishment before the start of the game against Hoban. She is shown with her parents, Lew and Cindy.

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