

O'Reilly boys —

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Aciukewicz's three-point play gave Bishop O'Reilly a 61-58 lead. The Golden Lancers (19-9) cut it to 61-60 on two free throws by Ryne Mailen with 20 seconds remaining.

However, Podcasy hit a layup with 10 seconds left, extending the margin to 63-60. Bishop Hannan had a chance to send the game into overtime, but Jamie Bell's 20-footer glanced off the rim with two seconds left.

Bishop Hannan led most of the game, but the Queensmen drew even at 46 at the end of the third quarter.

O'Reilly came out strong in the final period, forging a 50-46 lead on a rebound basket by Aciukewicz. The Golden Lancers countered with a 5-0 run, taking a 51-50 lead at the 4:42 mark.

The Queensmen tied the score at 56-56 on two free throws by Aciukewicz. Hannan took its final lead at 58-56 before O'Reilly drew even at 58 on Kevin Della Rosa's 15-foot baseline jumper with 1:25 remaining.

Aciukewicz paced O'Reilly with a game-high 23 points, including a monstrous slam dunk in the third quarter. Junior guard Tim Crossin had 14 points, and senior guard Matt Flanagan added 12 points.

Crossin had a great floor game, and made a couple of circus moves to the basket. Flanagan hit a pair of treys, accounting for O'Reilly's only three-point baskets.

O'Reilly didn't expect to get bombarded by Hannan's outside shooting, Crossin said.

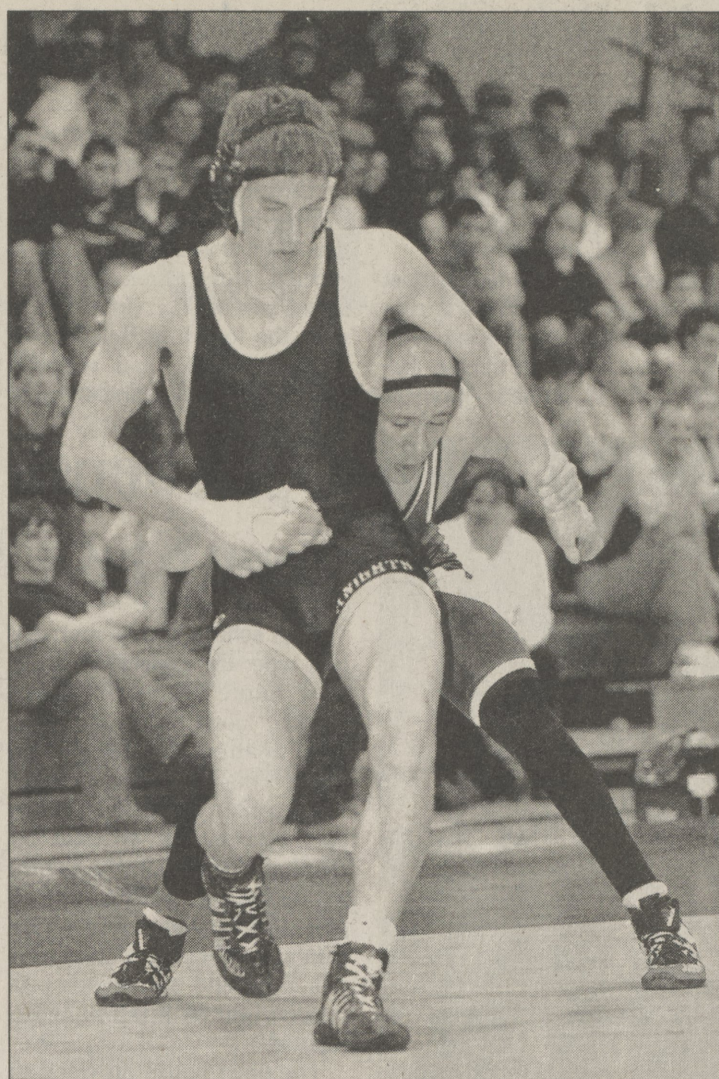
"They didn't shoot like that when we scouted them against Seton Catholic, but they were hot tonight," he said. "We knew entering the fourth quarter that we had to step up our game."

"We made some defensive adjustments in the second half. They pushed the ball up the floor, but they missed some shots."

O'Reilly coach Mark Belenski said the victory was a total team effort.

"We're not just a three-man team, everybody contributed. I'm proud of the way they fought back."

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Lake Lehman's Andy Josuweit got pushed by Blue Ridge's Harry Marvin in the 140 lb. final. Josuweit won a 15-0 technical fall.

Wrestling

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lost (in the quarterfinals), I just told myself to forget about the past and concentrate on getting the job done."

Schutz, Josuweit and Dragon scored with easy victories as the Black Knights sealed the team championship. Schutz recorded his fourth consecutive pin of the tournament, clamping Prep's Dan Muklewicz in 1:32. The Lake-Lehman junior used a cumulative time of 5:07

to record the four pins.

Josuweit worked over Harry Marvin of Blue Ridge, recording a technical fall (15-0) in 4:06 to successfully defend his district championship. Dragon completed the Lake-Lehman sweep with a convincing technical fall (16-0) of Mountain View's Greg Nixon.

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KT Raiders registration

Kingston Township mini-football/cheerleader registration will be held Saturday, March 6, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Shavertown fire hall, N. Main Street.

Children ages 5-13 living in Kingston Township, Franklin Township, Dallas Township, and Wyoming interested in playing football or cheerleading are invited to attend. There are four teams for 2004: A-team (12-13), B-team (10-11), C-team (8-9) and D-team (5-7).

Parents must bring birth certificate, proof of insurance and a small recent photo of their children.

For more information, call Lori Monk at 696-1307.

Sports Roundup

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Dallas 68, Honesdale 43

Feb. 23 — After a sluggish start, Dallas broke the game open in the second quarter and rolled to a 68-43 victory over outmanned Honesdale in a District 2 Class 3A quarterfinal game.

Roslyn Wentko paced Dallas with a game-high 20 points, followed by Shannon Thomas and Meredith Lacey with 15 points apiece.

Honesdale (16-10) played Dallas tough in the first quarter, which ended in a 12-12 tie. The Mountaineers took control in the second quarter, taking a 31-18 halftime lead on two baskets by Wentko at the end of the period.

Lake-Lehman 48, Tunkhannock 45

Feb. 20 — Lizzy Martin scored 18 points, all on three-point shots, as the Black Knights slipped past the host Tigers in a Class 3A game. Sheree Horvath scored eight points and Jess Turak had six.

Lake-Lehman led 39-27 at the end of three quarters and had to fend off a late Tunkhannock rally. Connie Ames (14 points), Alissa McMickens (11) and Jessica Wildrick (11) paced the Tigers.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Bishop O'Reilly 73, Susquehanna 37

Feb. 21 — Matt Flanagan scored a game-high 23 points and Tim Crossin tossed in 17 as the Queensmen rolled in quarterfinal action of the District 2 Class A playoffs.

Susquehanna stayed with the Queensmen in the opening minutes, but O'Reilly quickly took charge. Flanagan scored seven consecutive points, putting the Queensmen ahead, 17-8. O'Reilly extended the margin to 30-13 on a Crossin layup, and held an insurmountable 43-23 lead at halftime.

Center Josh Aciukewicz finished with 13 points.

Valley View 73, Dallas 59

Feb. 21 — Valley View eliminated Dallas in a Class 3A quarterfinal game at Carbondale Area High School. Matt Wilson led the Mountaineers with 17 points and Robbie Myers scored 16. Matt Kelly and Brad Fagula scored 10 each.

Dallas completed its season with a 7-19 record.

Abington Heights 55, Tunkhannock 30

Feb. 21 — Abington Heights eliminated Tunkhannock in a Class 4A quarterfinal game at Scranton High School. Kyle

Wilson and Colin Hopkins scored nine points each for the Tigers.

Tunkhannock completed its season with an 11-14 record.

Dallas 60, Wyoming Area 53

Feb. 19 — Sophomore center Robbie Myers scored 26 points and junior forward Matt Wilson produced the game's biggest defensive play, a steal with 22 seconds remaining, as the Mountaineers defeated Wyoming Area 60-53 in a District 2 Class 3A boys basketball playoff game.

Dallas led 56-53 when Wilson missed the front end of a 1-and-1, but as Wyoming Area's Tyrell George began heading up court with the ball, Wilson found the ball within reach. He plucked it away and scored on a layup for a 58-53 lead with 20 seconds to play.

Wilson and Matt Kelly each scored 11 points in the game.

Tunkhannock 59, Pittston Area 57

Feb. 19 — Kyle Wilson and Colin Hopkins led Tunkhannock with 15 points each as the Tigers slipped by Pittston Area in a 4A first-round game.

Andy Skrynski and Brendon Mulhern chipped in with 11 points apiece for the Tigers.

Dallas

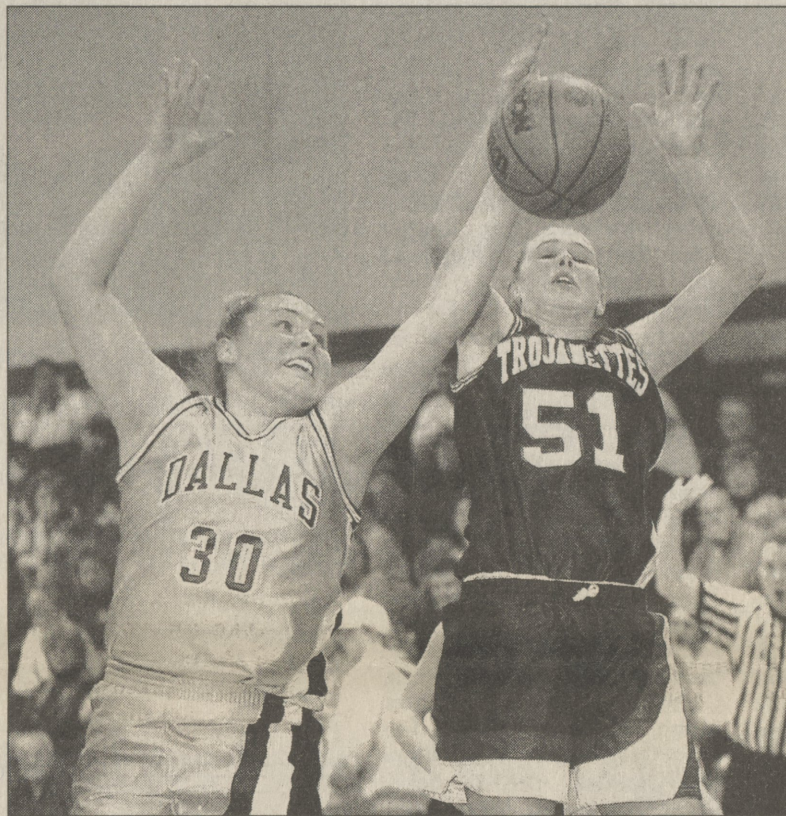
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the fourth quarter with some success. Trailing 44-34, Meredith Lacey opened the fourth with a three-point basket. Shannon Thomas then scored six consecutive points, moving the Mountaineers within 44-43 at 6:40. Naticoke, though, recovered with a 10-0 run.

Thomas was outstanding in the fourth, scoring 11 of her game-high 28 points. Some of the senior guard's shots appeared to have no chance of falling in, yet somehow went through the rim.

Thomas' heroics, though, couldn't get Dallas closer than eight points.

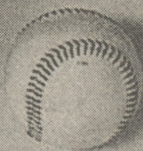
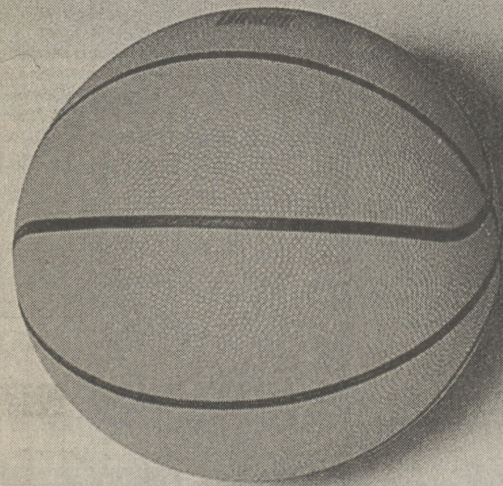
Jackie Hardwick scored eight points and Wentko finished with six for the Lady Mountaineers.



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Rosalyn Wentko battled Sara Acker of Naticoke for a rebound during last week's District 2 girls basketball playoff game, won by Naticoke 62-48.

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