

Wearing the crown

Tom Chipego broke open a close game late in the second half and finished with a game-high 18 points as Lake-Noxen Elementary defeated Ross Elementary, 30-19, to capture the Lake-Lehman PTO fifth and sixth grade district championship. Josh Winters added six points for the winners. Josh Davenport scored eight points to lead Ross Elementary, while teammate Kyle Romanofski added five points.

LAKE-LEHMAN PTO ELEMENTARY GIRLS

Katie Yoniski scored seven points as Lehman-Jackson Black defeated Ross Elementary, 13-12, to win the overall district championship. Emily Sutton added four points for the winners. In a semifinal game, Yoniski scored a game-high 14 points as Lehman-Jackson Black defeated the Quality Collision Hustlers, 24-8. The Hustlers were champions of the Lake-Noxen division.

Lehman-Jackson Black outscored their opponents 99-47 in four playoff games en route to finishing the season with a perfect 14-0 record.

DALLAS YOUTH BASKETBALL

Tanner Gattuso scored 10 points, including three in overtime as Bishop Photo captured the Dallas Youth Basketball third and fourth grade boys playoff championship with a thrilling 29-26 win against regular season champion C&C Sheetmetal. The win was the second consecutive playoff win in overtime for Bishop Photo, which needed three overtimes to defeat The Fieldhouse Sporting Goods in a semifinal game.

Ryan Martin added 10 points for the winners, while Mitch Kelly and Frank Bevevino chipped in three and two points, respectively. Cody Long and Jimmy Barlow scored three points each for C&C, while Christian Wargo added two points.

C&C Sheetmetal reached the finals with a 26-17 win against Quad Three Group in a semifinal contest. Spencer Bowanko and Aleksey Gitelson led C&C with eight points each, while Eric Pincofski finished with seven. Jake Archer led Quad Three with 10 points, while Kyle Archer and Aaron Yurko added four and three points, respectively.

Ryan Martin scored a game-high 15 points as Bishop Photo survived to defeat The Fieldhouse, 36-33, in triple overtime. James Flores added six points and Kyle Piscorik also scored for the winners.

Brian Drouse led The Fieldhouse with 10 points. Jonathan Wilson added nine points, while Mikey Shutlock and Connor Motley added four and two points, respectively.



Justin Butler of Lake-Noxen defends as Aaron LeValley dribbles the ball for Ross Elementary.

Maranda Martin and Sarah Bedford, seated left, cheer for the Ross Elementary girls basketball team during a game against Lake-Noxen Elementary.



Kyle Romanofski, left, and Tom Chipego battle for a rebound during the boys championship game.

Ross Elementary's Emily Blaski takes a shot while being defended by Nicole Ford of Lake-Noxen.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Dallas softball holding clinic

The Dallas High School softball team will hold a clinic for girls ages 7-14 on Sunday, March 25 in the Dallas Middle School gymnasium. Instruction for offense and defense will be held from noon to 3 p.m., while in-

struction for pitchers and catchers will take place from 3-4 p.m.

The clinic will be under the direction of Dallas head coach Joyce Tinner, a former standout at Dallas and Penn State University. The cost is \$20 for the offense/defense clinic, \$10 for the pitchers/catchers clinic, or \$25 for both.

Participants should bring their own gloves and wear comfortable clothing. Sneakers are required on the gym floor. Food and sports drinks are prohib-

ited, but water is allowed. For more information, call 696-0951.

Basketball shootout being held March 18

The Kingston Township Recreation Commission will hold its 12th annual Back Mountain Basketball Shootout Competition at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, March 18 at the Dallas Middle School gym. The free throw and

three-point shooting competition is open to boys and girls between the ages of 7-14.

Each event will have multiple age flights with shooting distances modified accordingly. Prizes will be presented to the top finishers in each flight and overall champions. There will also be a parent-child team shooting competition giving parents and their children an opportunity to compete with each other.

Registration and warm-ups

will begin at noon. For more information, call Bob Zaruta at 675-0066.

Young athletes win free throw titles

Three local youngsters won free throw championships on the local and district level before competing at the regional level in competitions sponsored by The Knights of Columbus.

John Murray, a 12-year-old

from Dallas; Cody Cutter, a 13-year-old from Harveys Lake; and Michael Boland, a 10-year-old from Dallas won championships in their respective age groups at the local level at Gate Of Heaven School and the district level at West Side Vo-Tech School. The three competed on the regional level in Cresco, with Murray taking second place, Boland capturing third place, and Cutter finishing fourth.