

Dallas trounces Lehman



Mountaineers Hunter Englehart dribbles past Lake-Lehman's Jared Brown.

Henry Messinger dumped in a game-high 22 points to lead the Dallas Mountaineers past the Lake-Lehman Knights, 48-33, in a Wyoming Valley Basketball Conference game Tuesday evening at the Lake-Lehman gymnasium.

In what was dubbed "an ugly game," both teams shot poorly from the floor — both at well under 50 percent — and both defenses created a number of turnovers.

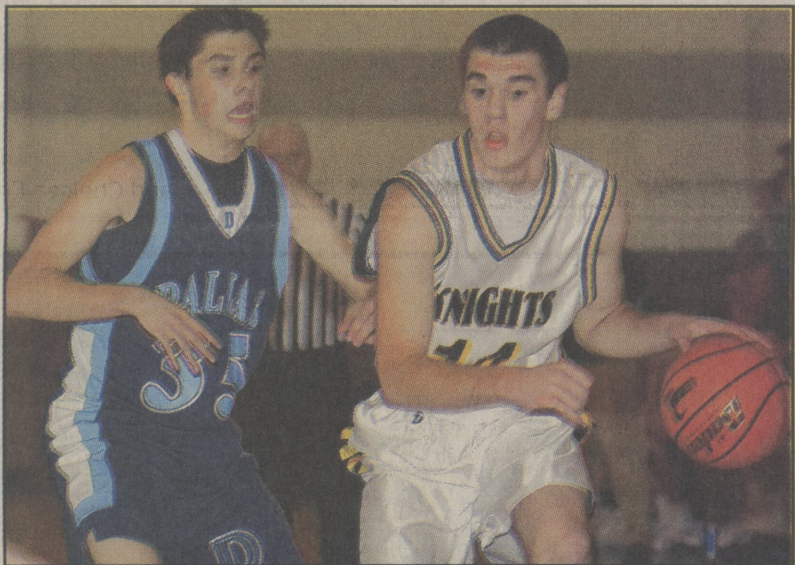
Messinger scored 10 of his points in the first quarter, allowing Dallas to jump out to a 25-17 halftime lead.

A three-point play by Mike Eckman, a three-pointer by Eoin Ellis and a layup by Eckman in

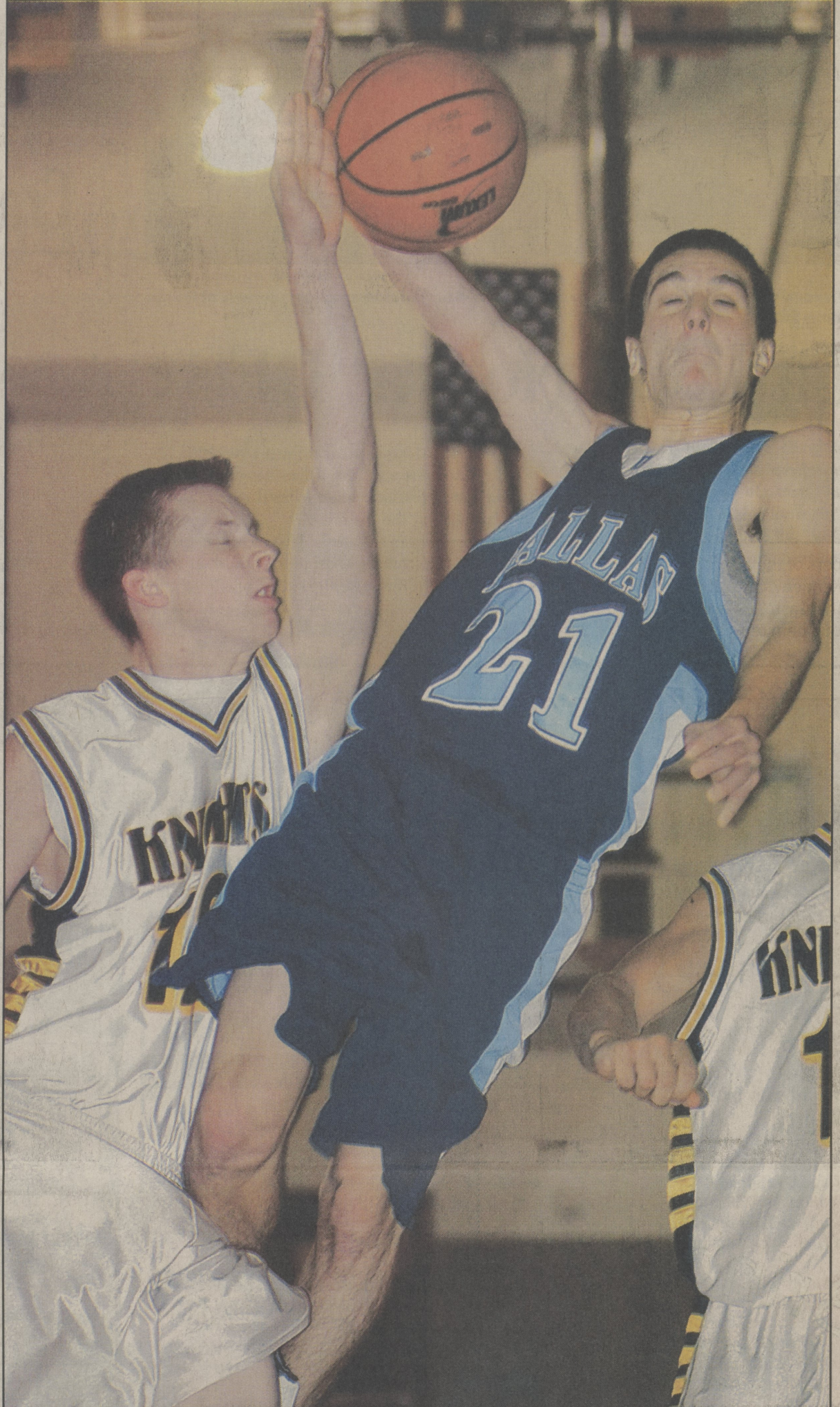
the final minutes of the third quarter, bumped the Black Knights to within four, 29-25, going into the game's final quarter.

But things changed drastically in the fourth quarter when Dallas went on a 12-0 run and its defense held Lake-Lehman without a field goal in the first 4:04 of the final quarter. Hunter Englehart scored six of his 10 points in a span of 81 seconds and Messinger dumped in five points during the run as the Mountaineers grabbed their biggest lead of the game, 41-27, with just 4:31 remaining.

Dallas outscored the Black Knights, 19-8, in the final eight minutes to seal the win.



Lake Lehman's Carson Baker looks for an opening as Mountaineer Mike Mazur covers him.



Jackie Ellis dumps in a layup for the Mountaineers as Lake-Lehman's Jared Brown attempts the block.

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DALLAS YOUTH BASKETBALL

Following are results from games played in the Dallas Youth Basketball League during the past week:

3rd/4th GRADE BOYS

Gattuso Group 21
Coon Industries 6
Gattuso Group's offense was led by Dalton Gattuso with 16 points while Mason Gattuso and Ricky Morgan combined for another five points. Frank Weaver anchored Gattuso Group's defense.

Coon Industries offense was led by Evan McClain with four points and JD Barrett with a basket. Elijah Chester put forth a strong defensive effort for Coon Industries.

DeLuca Law 21
Pizza Perfect 6
DeLuca Law's offense was led by Nico DeLuca 16 points and Colin Pertl with four points. Defensively for DeLuca Law, Stone Mannello and Mitch Winters were solid.

Gattuso Group 24
Drs. M&K Kovalick 16
Seven players scored for the Gattuso Group which was led by Dalton Gattuso with 10 points. Others getting baskets were Connor Phillips, Mason Gattuso, Jacob Serifin, Chris Allen, Josh Lydon and Ricky Morgan. Ryan Phillips led the defense.

Lee Eckert tallied a game-high 12 points for the doctors and Jacob Stritzinger dumped in four points.

DeLuca Law 28

Belrick Corp. 26
Nico DeLuca led DeLuca Law with 12 points while Colin Pertl had 10 points and Stone Mannello chipped in six points to cap off the scoring. Mitch Winters played great defense.

Gattuso Group 20
Pizza Perfect 12
Gattuso Group pushed its record to 3-0 with this win. Gattuso's offense was led by the tandem of Dalton and Mason Gattuso, combining for 17 points. Jacob Serifin and Frank Weaver capped off the scoring with three points. Ricky Morgan, Chris Allen, Ryan and Connor Phillips led Gattuso Group's defense.

Jay Bittner, Josh Farrell, Josh Lydon and AJ Spears all hit baskets for Pizza Perfect.

Grasshopper Lawns 20
Frontier 18
Ben O'Connell powered the offense for the Grasshoppers while Dalton Simpson, Sam Kravitsky and Adam Borton provided the stiff defense to secure the win.

Matt Mathers' 12 points led Frontier's offense while Malik Kaleta, David Chopyak and Garrett Pall each scored a basket. The Frontier defense was anchored by Michael Mesko and Larson Rice.

Drs. M&K Kovalick 36
Orthopedic Consultants 21
Alex Charlton led the Orthopedic Consultant Bone Crushers offense with 11 points while Collin Gleco hit a basket. Dylan

Shaver anchored the Crusher defense.

Long Real Estate 26
Coon Industries 22
Nick Kocher led Gordon Long with 16 points in this overtime game. Chris Murray added four points while Brody Strickland, Joshua Lypole and John Bynon each hit baskets for the winning team. The entire Gordon Long team played well offensively and defensively.

Coon Industries' offense was led by Kyle Besecker's six points and Evan McClain's four points. Coon Industries benefitted from the great passing of Matthew Dillon.

3rd/4th GRADE GIRLS

Corbett Insurance 27
Pike Law 16
The Corbett Insurance Tar Heels beat Pike Law Office, 27-16. Sara Lojewski paced the Heels with 20 points, with support from Sam Delamater with three points, Carley Perloff and Frankie Treslar with two points each. Rachel Maniskas, Megan Meyer, Mikayla Sowga and Jolie Treslar played strong defense for the 1-0 Heels.

Pike was led by Paige Evans with 10 points and Talia Kosierowski with six points. Courtney Devens, Megan Miller, Kim Manganella, MaKenna Bryant, Brianna Rinehimer, and Caitlyn Pike played awesome defense.

5th/6th GRADE GIRLS

Atty. Mike Bendick 26

Pro HVAC 20
Abby Bendick poured in a game-high 19 points and Malloxy Faux added six to lead the Atty. Bendick team.

Leading the way for Pro HVAC was Caroline Banas with six points while Amy Bolton chipped in five and Alexa Pelchar had four points.

Riders World 16
Banas, Byron and Kim 11
In a come-from-behind win for Riders World, Courtney Wagner scored eight and Tara Zukoski had six points. The defense was led by Lindsey Oremus and Julia Baloh.

Drs. Banas, Byron and Kim were led by Lindsey Jacobs with six points while Alexa Doziak added four.

Motorworld 20
Community News 17
Leading the way for Motorworld was Megan Roberts with five points who also led the team in rebounds. Emile Banta chipped in with two and played tough defense.

For the Community News team, Kaley Polachek was high scorer with 10, Danielle Walsh added five points while Katie Kravitsky led the team in rebounds.

Brace's Orchard 25
Arris Engineering 24
Talia Szatkowski was high scorer for Arris Engineering with 16 points and Nicole Wren added four points and six rebounds in this exciting game.

5th/6th GRADE BOYS

DeLuca Law Offices 30
Bishop Photo 23

Connor Macarty scored eight points and Jeff Stazdus added six to lead Vito DeLuca Law Offices over Bishop Photo, 30-23. James Fiorello added two points and played fine defense.

Omar Nijmeh led Bishop Photo with 16 points, followed by Chad Phillips with four. James Geiger and Jesse Goode played strong defense.

Dallas Rotary 27
Gattuso Group 22
Dallas Rotary handed Gattuso Group Accountants & Consultants its first defeat, 27-22. Game results were not provided by either team.

7th/8th GRADE BOYS

Grotto Pizza 50
DeLuca Law 37
John Murray scored 16 points and Greg Petorek added 11 to lead Grotto Pizza to a 50-37 win over Vito DeLuca Law Offices. Eric Yurko and Michael Carey added six points each for the league's first-place team.

James DelPriore and Mariano Medico led DeLuca Law with 10 points each while James Duffy added two.

Banas, Byron and Kim 44
Gallis Insurance 31
Jason Siminovich scored 20 points while brothers Matt and Danny Saba added 16 as Drs. Banas, Byron and Kim defeated Gallis Insurance, 44-31. Felix Doleman led the doctors with 14 points, followed by J.T. Carey with 11 and John Murray with

three.
Medico Industries 53
Dr. John Kish 51

Ryan Zapoticky scored a game-high 24 points as Medico Industries edged Dr. John Kish, 53-51, in one of the best games of the season. Nigel Stearns finished with eight points and made the game-winning shot for Medico Industries while Steven Wempa also added eight points.

John Kane led Dr. Kish with 23 points followed by Kyle Razawich with 17. Chad DeBona and Chris Reimard combined for an additional seven points.

Luxury Limousine 60
Bishop Photo 42
Nathan Kish scored 19 points and Chase Makowski added 16 to lead Luxury Limousine over Bishop Photo, 60-42. Carl Gross added 10 points for Luxury while Darren Lupole had six points and Rory Mullin two. Brian Stepniak led Bishop Photo with 18 points and Kyle Zumchack added 12. Rudy Georgetti scored 10 points and Alex Rubbico had two.

7th GRADE BOYS TRAVEL TEAM

DYB 35
St. Nick's/ St. Mary's 33
The DYB seventh grade boys tournament team began its season at the Plains-Solomon league with a 35-33 defeat to St. Nick's/St. Mary's. Kyle Razawich led Dallas with 14 points, followed by Chris Behm with eight. Jory Brezinski and Matt Saba added four points each.