

DALLAS YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE

# Ben O'Connell dumps in 13 points to lead UGI win

### 3rd & 4th GRADE BOYS

#### UGI/Penn Natural Gas 21 Gattuso Group 14

The UGI/Penn Natural Gas Magic defeated the Gattuso Group Accountant & Consultants Spurs, 21-13.

Ben O'Connell led the Magic with 13 points followed by Colin Bowanko with six points and Evan McClain with two points. Aiden Nelson did a nice job rebounding while David Smith was strong on the defensive side of the ball.

Mason Gattuso scored seven points for the Spurs while Jack Ziembra chipped in four points, Justin Finerelli had two points and Dole Wyffels scored the last point. Nate Maransky was a rebounding machine and Steve Finerelli and Parker Del Santo hustled on defense.

#### Apollo Group 20 Dr. Kovalick 11

The Apollo Group Knicks outscored the Dr. Kovalick Sixers, 20-11.

Derek Answini led the Knicks with nine points while Ethan Zawatski added seven points and Josh Lupole put in four points. Darren Kerdesky, Josh Wyandt and Zach Bloom played excellent defense.

Brody Strickland and Andrew Kovalick chipped in four points and three points, respectively, while Josh Lydon and Bernie Frantz added a bucket each. Joel Chacke led the defense while Rusty Coolbaugh and Vince Vespic grabbed some rebounds.

#### Wyoming Valley Auto Sales 31 Dallas Rotary 26

Mike and Tony Caravaggio,

Jake Weiland and Eric Berley combined for 11 points while Dylan Lisnow and Chris Murray played outstanding defense in a 31-26 win over the Dallas Rotary Timberwolves.

#### Burger King 25 Bishop Photo 24

The Burger King Suns beat the Bishop Photo Lakers, 25-24, in what was one of the best games of the Suns' season.

Chris Carver led the Suns with 14 points while Hunter Landon added six points. The game came down to the last seven seconds and the Suns, with an impressive full court press, were able to secure the win.

Defensive standouts were Joey Deyo, Daniel Hodle and Lane Hale. Josh Jarden had a great game with assistants and steals. Nick Matcho did an excellent job protecting and handling the ball.

Bradley Adams stole the ball in the final seconds and then was fouled and made one of two free throws to put the Suns up by two. The strong full court press then secured the win.

Scoring points for the Lakers were Thomas Marsola and Andrew Grabowski with two points each, Hunter Resavage with four, Adam Borton with six and David Schuster with 10. The Lakers' defense was led by Chris Banas and Dante Marianacci

#### Gordon & Long Real Estate 18 Quad Three Group 17

The Gordon & Long Real Estate Cavaliers defeated the Quad Three Group Celtics, 18-17, in a tough defensive battle.

Nick Kocher led the Cavs with 11 points. Jay Bittner scored four points, making two clutch free

throws with less than a minute remaining which proved to be the winning points.

Collin Gleco chipped in three points. Drew Patton returned to action and played solid defense. Zach Palfev and Jake Novitski hustled the whole game.

Leading the Celtic offense were Matt Mathers with 10 points and Chris Hadsall with six points. Anchoring the Celtic defense were Zach Miller and John Betzko.

#### Orthopedic Consultants 31 Fieldhouse Sporting Goods 23

The Orthopedic Consultants Bulls defeated the Fieldhouse Sporting Goods Hornets, 31-23.

David Chopyak had 17 points, including an amazing half-court buzzer beater. Blake Chopyak added five points. John Stashnik and Nick Solinsky led the defense.

The Hornets were led in scoring by Dalton Simpson with 13 while John Macey and Matt Dillon added two field goals a piece. Michael Luksic was the leading rebounder for the Hornets with 12 boards.

### 5th & 6th GRADE BOYS

#### Gattuso Group 38 Thirty-One Lake Street 21

Tanner Gattuso scored 26 points and Matt Harrison added eight as the Celtics overcame an 11-0 deficit to defeat the Thirty-One Lake Street Magic, 38-21.

Cody Coolbaugh and Cory Metz added two points each for the Gattuso Group while David Simpson had six points for the Magic. Colby Jimmie led the rebounding and Griffin Stone

keyed the defense.

#### Dr. Kovalick 33 Bishop Photo 21

Chad Phillips scored 17 points and Spencer Bowanko added eight as Dr. Kovalick's Cavaliers topped the Bishop Photo 76ers, 33-21.

Michael Kovalick had key rebounds for the Cavs while Chandler Caruso scored eight points for the Sixers and Steven Darling added seven. The defense was led by Andrew Matcho.

#### Gallis Insurance 44 Belrick Corp. 33

Aaron Yurko scored 13 points and Chris Mennig added 11 as the Lakers from Gallis Insurance defeated the Belrick Corp. Spurs, 44-33.

Conner Motley and Jason Anderson combined for an additional 13 points for the Lakers. Ray Ostroski had 16 points for the Spurs, followed by Paul Zablottney with eight. Connor Macarty added five points and Zach Charlton had a basket.

### 5th & 6th GRADE GIRLS

#### Geibs Sheetrocking 22 Brace's Orchard 20

Caroline Banas scored 12 points to give the Geibs Sheetrocking Sky a 22-20 win over the Brace's Orchard Monarchs.

Madison Goodwin and Jessica Blat both added four points to the Sky score.

Emilee Zawatski led the Monarchs' scoring with 10 points while Paige Evans added six and Arden Rice had four. Janelle Sherman and Ally Rome were defensive standouts for their teams.

#### Smith Insurance 11

Team Liberty from Bendick Law office defeated the Smith Insurance Storm, 14-11.

Brielle Brace led the scoring for Liberty while Leah Gorr, Alyssa Parente and Carly Clemente led the defense.

Catherine Dillon was high scorer for Team Storm while Madison Crawford and Miranda Roche both added two points. Courtney Devens played strong defense for the Storm, forcing several turnovers.

#### Gattuso Group 26 McCabe Mortgage 18

Nicole Wren led the Gattuso Group Silver Stars to a 26-18 victory over the McCabe Mortgage Group Shockby scoring 20 points.

Ivy Chamberlain and Emily Howell played their best defensive games of the season for the Silver Stars.

Lauren Dottor scored 14 points for the Shock while Emma Doran added four. Shayla Stuart played strong Shock defense and had three steals.

#### Amory Medical 23 Grasshopper Lawns 12

Courtney Hoats scored 13 points and Madison Kaminski scored eight when the Amory Medical Sparks defeated the Grasshopper Lawns Mercury, 23-12. Talia Kosierowski led Mercury scoring with eight while Katie Kravitsky added four.

Anna Lehane and Madison Slacktish played strong defense for the Sparks.

#### UPS Store 23 Central Clay 17

Megan Miller and Alexis

Wyandt led a well-balanced defensive attack for the UPS Store Sun to give it a win over the Central Clay Fever, 23-17.

Alexa Dosiak scored eight points and Breanna Coolbaugh scored two for the Sun.

Maddie Kelley led the Fever scoring with 13 points while Lia Barbacci tossed in two.

### SKILLS COMPETITION

#### Girls

Dallas Youth Basketball fifth and sixth-grade girls held their annual skills competition on Monday, Jan 25, at Wycallis Elementary School. Prizes were given in the categories of lay-ups and free-throws for each age group.

**Fifth-grade free-throw winners:** Leah Gorr, first place; Emily Heltzel, second place; Paige Evans, third place.

**Fifth-grade lay-up winners:** Sara Lojewski, first place; Maddie Kelley, second place; Talia Kosierowski, third place.

**Sixth-grade free-throw winners:** Courtney Hoats, first place; Katie Kapral, second place; Lauren Dottor, third place.

**Sixth-grade lay-up winners:** Caroline Banas, first place; Emilee Zawatski, second place; Katie Kravitsky, third place.

#### Boys

Dallas Youth Basketball recently held its annual fifth-grade boys skills competition.

**Free-throw winners:** Michael Farrell, first place; Paul Zablottney, second place; Colby Jimmie, third place.

**Lay-up winners:** Collin Pertl, first place; Ricky Morgan, second place; Zach Charlton, third place.

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tion when the family took a trip to Ireland in 2002. It is also coincidental, but two of us on the trip were my cousin Rosemary and myself. Since Molly is a nickname for Mary and "Ro" is our nickname for my cousin, it fit."

Garrity Slaby hopes the book will teach history to adolescents and give them a sense of peoples of previous generations experienced. Despite geared the book toward young people, the author has also received feedback from people in their 80s.

"A lot of people said, 'We're not Irish or Polish, but we remember those times. We remember how they were treated,'" she said.

Books for young adults are not foreign to Garrity Slaby as she has been a reading and language arts teacher for 20 years at Lake-Lehman Junior/Senior High School. Prior to that, she taught in Schuylkill County and in Virginia.

She and her husband, John, also have two grown children: John Garrett Slaby, of Philadelphia, who illustrated the cover

of her book; and Melissa Slaby, of State College.

Although "Call me Kate: Meeting the Molly Maguires" was Garrity Slaby's first non-academic publication, she doesn't intend to make it her last. In fact, she hopes the book will be the first in a trilogy.

Currently, Garrity Slaby is halfway finished writing the series' second book, "Sarah's Story: The Curse on Centralia." She thinks the third book will be centered in Philadelphia because that's where her father's family eventually moved and it is where she was born.

Garrity Slaby was also a contributor for the book, "Chicken Soup for the Soul: Teens Talk High School." The book features a true story she wrote about a girl she went to high school with who seemingly had everything, but eventually died at a young age from diabetes.

In addition, she is a member of the Endless Mountains Writers Group and Beta Sigma Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, a professional honor society for female educators. Last year, Garrity Slaby was selected as the woman of distinction for the Beta Sigma Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma.

### DALLAS MOUNTAINEER AQUATIC CLUB

# Mountaineer Club swimmers split meets

The Dallas Mountaineer Aquatic Club traveled to Tunkhannock on Sunday, Jan. 31, and split its meets.

The girls won their meet, 138-105, but the boys suffered a 125-103 loss in the Northeast PA Age Group Swim League.

The following swimmers placed in their events:

#### GIRLS

##### 8 & UNDER

25 Free - Madison Federici, first; Ava Baur, second  
50 Free - Ava Baur, first; Sydney Strickland, third  
25 Fly - Emma Berger, first; Julia Sabol, second  
25 Back - Hunter Kline, first; Giana Musto, second  
25 Breast - Madison Federici, first; Ava Baur, second; Emma Berger, third

##### 10 & UNDER

100 IM - Abby Zolner, second  
50 Free - Annalise Chesire, first; Rachel Habib, third  
50 Fly - Madison Hurst, first; Rachel Habib, third  
50 Back - Madison Hurst,

first  
50 Breast - Jessica Ravert, first; Taylor Cercone, second  
100 Free - Abby Zolner, second; Heather Shively, third

##### 12 & UNDER

100 IM - Kennedy Straitiff, third  
50 Free - Krista Vivian, first  
50 Fly - Amanda Schwertman, first; Sarah Fasulka, second; Julia Baur, third  
50 Back - Julianna Murray, third  
50 Breast - Sarah Fasulka, first  
100 Free - Amanda Schwertman, first; Krista Vivian, second

##### 14 & UNDER

200 IM - Bryanna Dissinger, second  
50 Free - Lucy Reilly, first; Lauren Finnegan, second  
100 Fly - Lucy Reilly, first

100 Free - Amanda Rando, first; Bryanna Dissinger, third  
100 Back - Lucy Reilly, first

#### BOYS

##### 8 & UNDER

25 Free - Louis Parente, first  
25 Fly - Kyle Greenwood, first  
50 Free - Louis Parente, first; David Lipinski, third  
25 Back - Bobby DeLuna, first  
25 Breast - David Lipinski, first; Louis Parente, second

##### 10 & UNDER

100 IM - Tyler Manzoni, second  
50 Free - Connor McAndrew, second  
50 Fly - Justin Butsavage, second  
100 Free - Thomas Manzoni, second; Tyler Manzoni, third  
50 Back - Troy Reinert, first

50 Breast - Evan Sabecky, second; Dominic Wright, third

#### 12 & UNDER

100 IM - Porter Luksic, first  
50 Free - Owen Kiluk, third  
50 Fly - Colin Masters, first  
100 Free - Jarod Willis, third  
50 Back - Dominic Augustine, third  
50 Breast - Porter Luksic, second

#### 14 & UNDER

200 Free - Drew Harding, third  
200 IM - Patrick Gelso, third  
50 Free - Samuel Giacometti, first  
100 Fly - Reid Luksic, second  
100 Free - Samuel Giacometti, second  
100 Back - Samuel Giacometti, second  
100 Breast - Drew Harding, first

## BOOKS

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orge Selden, "George Shrinks" by William Joyce, "The Egypt

Game" by Zilpha Keatley Snyder, "From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler" by E.L. Konigsburg, "The Witches of Worm" by Zilpha Keatley Snyder, "Harriet the Spy" by Louise Fitzhugh, "Mr. Popper's Penguins" by Florence and Richard Atwater,

"Fudge-a-Mania" by Judy Blume, "The Slave Dancer" by Paula Fox, "Matilda" by Roald Dahl, "The New Kid on the Block" by Jack Prelutsky "I Want Your Moo: A Story for Children about Self-Esteem" by Marcella Bakur Weiner and Jill Neimark.

## PUZZLE ANSWERS

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### King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 27 mins.

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answers

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### Super Crossword

Answers

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The Lake-Lehman girls varsity basketball team defeated Nanticoke, 41-34, to claim the first-half championship in the Wyoming Valley Basketball League. Members of the team are, from left, first row, Kati Yoniski and Marissa Moosic. Second row, Ashley Blazaskie, Alex Lubinski, Morgan Decker and Sara Brooks. Third row, Emily Leskowski, Devon Boyle, Nikki Sutliff, Selena Adamshick, Erica Johnson, Alexa Decker, Gaby Olshemski, Jessica Neare, Kristen Baker and Carol Mosier. The Lake Lehman girls basketball team will hold Senior Night between the junior varsity and varsity games against Wyoming Seminary on Thursday, Feb. 11.