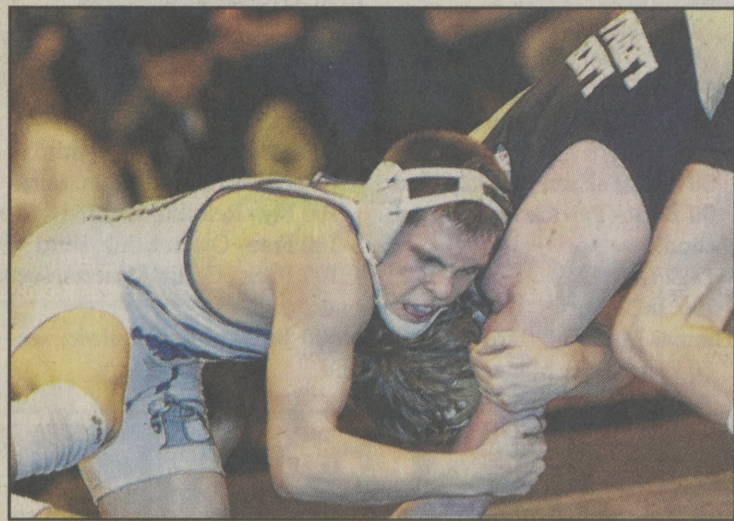


Sports



Jim Roccograndi tries pulling down Josh Winters in the 145 lb. weight class.



Zack Macosky and Jake Winters grapple in the 140 lb. weight class.



Adam Goering, right, of Dallas, pins Black Knight Derek Elard in the 189 lb. weight class.

Dallas grapplers get big rival win

The Dallas Mountaineers ended more than 40 years of wrestling at the current Dallas Senior High School with a 66-8 drubbing of rival Lake-Lehman on Jan. 26.

Dallas used six pins, including one in the final contested wrestling match in the gymnasium's history, en route to the Wyoming Valley Conference Division II win.

Dallas had one home meet remaining on this year's schedule but the following week's meet against Hanover Area was held at the Dallas Middle School.

The Dallas School District is building a new high school and the current one will be torn down in June. The current high school was built in 1962 when Dallas Township, Dallas Borough, Kingston Township and Westmoreland high schools merged to form the Dallas School District.

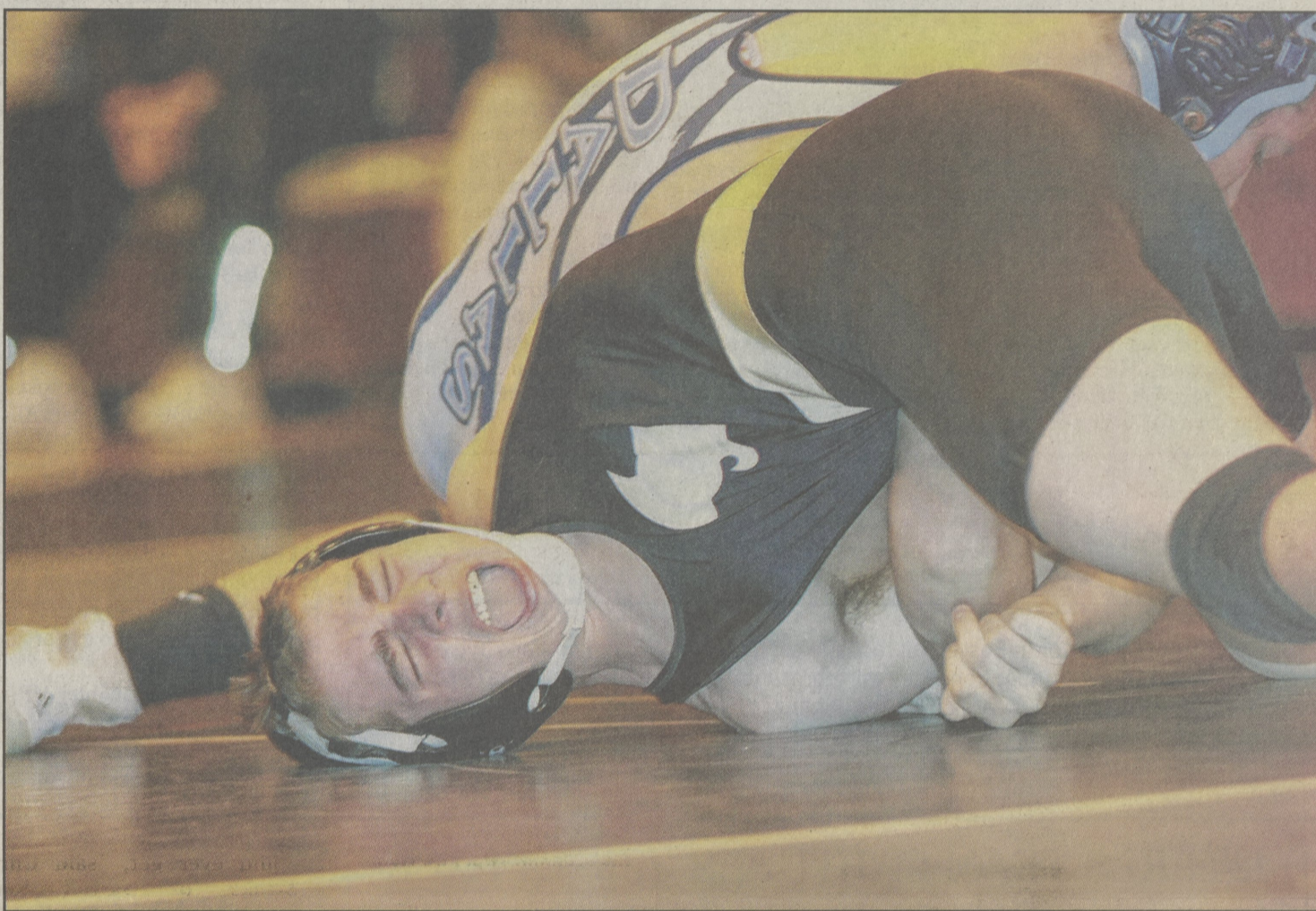
After Lake-Lehman took a 3-0 lead with a Jake Winters' decision at 140 pounds, the

Mountaineers reeled off 10 consecutive wins and 54 unanswered points.

Jim Roccograndi (145 pounds) and Shawn Sekelsky (160 pounds) each won by fall before Adam Goering (189 pounds), Jeremy Roberts (285 pounds) and Dominick De-Graba (103 pounds) also pinned their opponents.

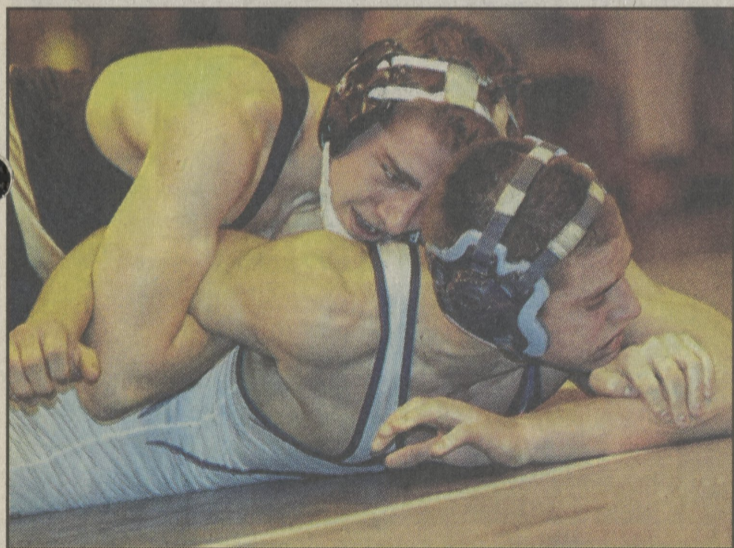
Sekelsky, Goering and De-Graba's pins each took place in the first period. In addition to Sekelsky's pin at 160, Billy Dixon and Dominick Chopka posted wins by decision at 152 and 171, respectively.

Lake-Lehman freshman Austin Harry was impressive in a 16-0 technical fall win at 125 pounds. In the last contested match, Dallas sophomore Zach Macosky and Lake-Lehman senior Branden Vitack took the mat. The two wrestlers battled in a close contest but with a little more than a minute remaining, Macosky was able to turn Vitack over on his back.



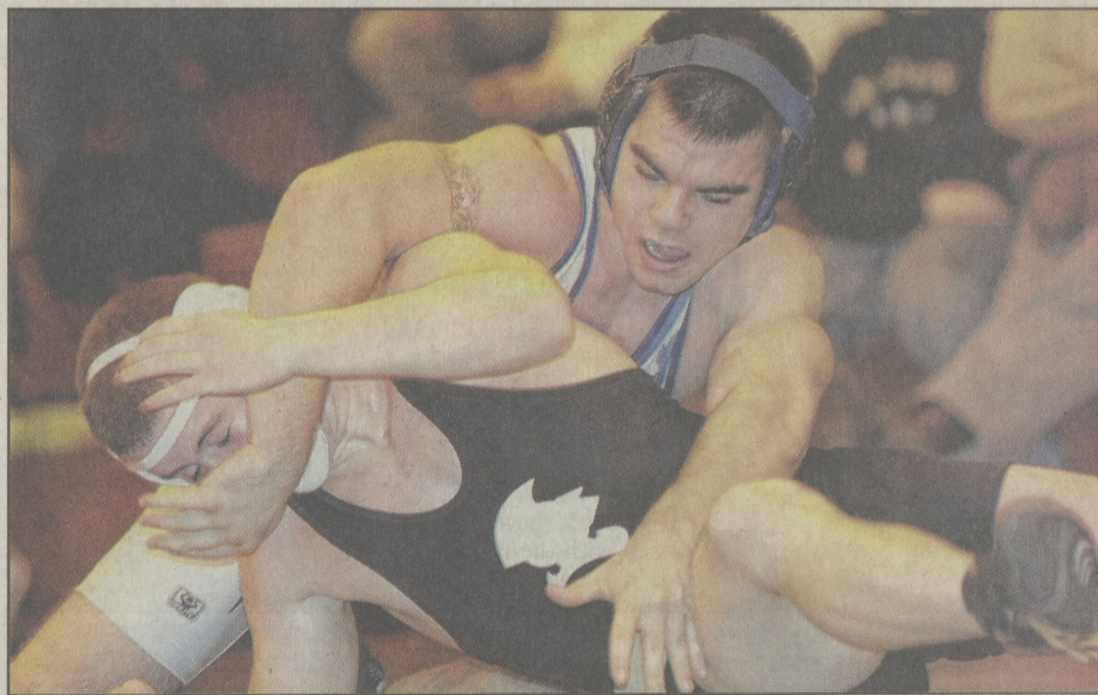
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Mountaineer Bill Dixon has the advantage over Lake-Lehman's Bryan Carter in the 152 lb. weight class.



RIGHT PHOTO: Mountaineer Dominic Chopka, top, and Brady Butler of Lake-Lehman do battle.

LEFT PHOTO: Lake-Lehman's Bill Dixon, top, and Mountaineer Bryan Carter grapple in the 152 lb. bracket.



Lady Mounts gets 16th season win

The Dallas High School girls basketball team picked up its 16th victory of the season with a 51-24 drubbing of Wyoming Area on Monday night.

Katie Darling led the Lady Mountaineers with 10 points.

The Dallas girls scored 17 goals and shot 11 for 17 from the free throw line.



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Dallas' Allison Hardwick (No. 25) shoots in heavy traffic against Wyoming Area in a WVC Division 2 girls basketball game.



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Juston Brobst gives his mother, Susan, a rose during Senior Night at Dallas High School.

Mountaineer senior wrestlers honored

Senior members of the Dallas High School wrestling team were honored on Jan. 26 in ceremonies prior to the Dallas/Lake-Lehman match. The Mountaineers won the match, 66-8.