

# Sports



ROBERT PEMBLETON



STEVE DAVIDOWITZ



DAVID SIMPSON

## Three BMT residents will run New York Marathon

All will run with Ryan's Run Team to raise funds for John Heinz, Allied Rehab Hospital.

Back Mountain residents Steve Davidowitz, David Simpson and Robert Pembleton will participate in the 2011 ING New York City Marathon on November 6 as part of Ryan's Run Team.

WNEP-TV's Ryan Leckey will lead the Allied Services team for the second consecutive year.

Due to the success of last year's effort, Allied moved up from a community level charity to a bronze level charity and will have 20 runners in this prestigious race. All funds raised will be used to update therapy, equipment and technology at Allied's Heinz Rehab Hospital in Wilkes-Barre and Allied Rehab Hospital in Scranton, which will benefit both children and adults in Northeastern Pennsylvania with disabilities and injuries.

Dallas resident Steve Davidowitz has run the NYC marathon five times, but his sixth will be his first as a member of Team Leckey.

He is a Registered Representative with Sammons Securities and serves on the Board of Governors of Generation to Generation and the Board of Trustees of Temple Israel.

He is the father of two children, Kim, a freshman at The Art Institute of Philadelphia; and Daniel, a sophomore at the School of the Art Institute of

Chicago.

His sister-in-law, Sherry Davidowitz, is on the Board of Directors of the John Heinz Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine.

David Simpson, also of Dallas, has competed in and finished several marathons, including the Philadelphia Marathon in 2009, but has always wanted to finish the "world's biggest and best marathon."

David and his wife, Tammy, have two sons, David, 13, and Dalton 11, who compete in

youth sports in the Back Mountain area.

Simpson will run the marathon in memory of his good friend and colleague at Diamond Manufacturing, Rusty Flack.

Robert Pembleton, of Shavertown Back Mountain, has been running for approximately two years with the ultimate goal of competing in a triathlon. He has run multiple 5K races and a half marathon in Washington, DC. Pembleton was sold on the idea

when given the chance to represent Heinz Rehab as a member of Ryan's Run Team.

Readers who would like to make a pledge in the name of Davidowitz, Simpson or Pembleton name can visit [www.allied-services.org/ryansrun](http://www.allied-services.org/ryansrun). For a pledge of \$26.20, donors will receive an official Ryan's Run 2011 exercise shirt and wristband.

For questions or to make an offline donation, call Allied Foundation at 348.1407.



Courtney Megargel, of Harveys Lake, gets ready to shoot a free throw at the Rock Center Elite Basketball camp for girls.



Cherokee Musto and Kirsten Durling, of Pittston, manage this practice machine that forces throws up higher into a net.



Erika Holweg, of Pittston, goes through rigorous conditioning at the Rock Center Elite Basketball Camp for girls.

## ROCK SOLID basketball

Rock solid Girls Elite Basketball Camp at the Rock Rec Center in Trucksville focused on making players more fundamentally sound with position specific drills for each player.

Sydney Strickland, of Dallas, and Lauren Golden, of Wyoming, have fun shooting baskets at a special camp for girls basketball held for elite players at the Rock Center in Trucksville.

