**SPORTS** 

GOLF

## Medico, Makowski advance

**TOM ROBINSON** For The Dallas Post

Like the other 93 layers at Tuesday's District 2 Individual Golf Championships, Mariano Medico and Ryan Georgetti put up the best numbers they could under the circumstances, then hovered around the scoreboard at Elmhurst Country Club, waiting to learn their fate.

Medico knew his cautious approach had made advancing into state play very likely, but received the added bonus of learning that he had defended his Class AA championship. Georgetti battled with the hope of doing enough to at least get into a playoff to extend his season, only to learn after nearly an hour that he had fallen one stroke short in Class AAA for the second straight season.

The two seniors represented the range of emotions that go with the scoreboardwatching portion of the day that can provide even more stress than a six-foot putt to

Medico, a Holy Redeemer student from Shavertown, shot 3-over-par, 75 to win his title. Only a playoff loss as a sophomore, before the state split golf into two enrollment classifications, prevented the Monmouth University recruit from winning three District 2 championships.

The hopes of contending for a state championship after placing fifth a year ago made Medico place most of his concentration on avoiding the type of error that could

have kept him from advancing to the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic **Association East Regional** Tuesday at Golden Oaks Golf Club in Fleetwood.

"It makes me play very protective golf," Medico said. "... You want to win every event you play, but, of course, you just want to make sure you advance.

Georgetti, from Dallas, understands that goal.

The stronger large school competition in Class AAA meant his 77 was one stroke and one place away from going to regionals. Needing to place in the top six, he tied for seventh among 34 players who had already survived an early qualifying process.

"I think I'm going to be in a playoff," Georgetti said. keeping himself ready as the scores were being posted. Tm hoping.

Ultimately, he was disappointed. Medico birdied the par-five second hole, his starting hole for the day. He nearly reached the green in two, then got up and down from a bunker for his only birdie.

"I made a lot of good par saves and had a lot of looks at birdies that wouldn't go," Medico said. "I relied on my short game to get up and down in a couple of tough spots." Medico expected that to be the case in windy conditions that made scoring difficult. A year ago, he shot 68 while winning his district championship.

Chase Makowski, another Back Mountain resident playing for Holy Redeemer, also advanced in Class AA

while shooting 78. Another, Mike Boland, shot 82 to place ninth, three shots out of the playoff for the sixth and final berth. Holy Redeemer already made state play as a team when it won the District 2 Class AA title Oct. 4 with a 301-327 victory over Lackawanna League small school champion Holy Cross.

Medico shot 74 in that match at Fox Hill while Makowski added a 75 and Boland a 76, all beating the top player from the Crusaders.

Dallas was one step from reaching the District 2 Class AAA team championship match, placing second in a three-way playoff Sept. 27 to determine the Wyoming Valley Conference's representative. The Mountaineers had a four-player team score of 332, five behind Crestwood and five ahead of Coughlin.

Abington Heights ultimately won the District 2 Class AAA team and individual titles. Terry Hurst shot 72 Tuesday.

Dallas and Lake-Lehman each had three players qualify to participate in the individual championships.

Georgetti played the par-5s in 1-under with a pair of birdies in his 77.

Justin Brojakowski shot 86 to finish tied for 25th and Brendan Baloh shot 93 to finish 31st for Dallas in Class AAA.

Lake-Lehman's Egan shot 91 to tie for 28th, Ben Pilch shot 98 to place 37th and Adam Motovidlak shot 105 to place 43rd.



against Holy Cross at Fox Hill Country Club in Exeter.

Bill Tarutis photos|For The Times Leader Holy Redeemer's Mariano Medico reacts to a missed putt at the ninth hole during the District 2 Class 2A team championship



Holy Redeemer's Chase Makowski watches his putt on the ninth green during the District 2 Class 2A team championship against Holy Cross at Fox Hill Country Club in Exeter.



Bill Tarutis photos|For The Dallas Post The Misericordia Cougars football team stands for the national anthem before the Homecoming game against King's College.

### JUNIOR FOOTBALL RESULTS

## **Junior Mounts C team wins battle of unbeatens**

Dallas 28, WWWE 6

It was a battle of two unbeaten teams, both at 6-0, when the Dallas Junior Mounts C team took on the Wyoming/ Wyoming/Exeter Panthers.

Dallas received the ball and methodically moved the ball downfield with Alex Hajikowski scoring a touchdown behind punishing blocks from Nick Spencer, Jared Adamski and Mitch Burgess.

The 2-point conversion was good and Dallas led, 8-0.

The Panthers were unable to move the ball and Dallas took over returned the ball all the

on downs. Once again, the high octane Dallas offense put the ball in the endzone with Jared Adamski scoring the TD. The 2-point conversion was no good and Dallas led, 14-0.

The Dallas defense totally down shut WWWE's offense and the Junior Mounts offense scored again with Adamski tallying his second score of the day.

The 2-point conversion was good and Dallas raced out to a commanding 20-0 lead. On the Dallas kickoff, Panther returner Rocco Pizano way to the Dallas 20.

The Panthers punched the ball in the en zone and Dallas led, 20-6, at

In the second half, it was all Dallas defense as the Junior Mounts totally shut down the WWWE offense, limiting it to

minimal or no gains. Lucas Shultz and Mitch Burgess led the Mounts defense, making several key stops at or behind the line of scrimmage. T

he Junior Mounts tallied another score with Mitch Burgess getting into the end zone with a dazzling run.

Misericordia University wide receiver Kurt Kowalski rings the new Victory Bell prior to the start of the homecoming game against King's College at Mangelsdorf Field. Earlier in the day, members of the Class of 2012, donors of the bell, attended a dedication ceremony. The Cougars went on to lose to King's, 41-40, in double overtime.

## Schaub, Patel post major tennis upsets

STAFF REPORTS

Grace Schaub and Kajal Patel posted the two biggest upsets of the District 2 girls tennis doubles tournament in succession Tuesday, making the Dallas combination the only unseeded team in either classification to reach the semifinal round. District 2 seeded 16 teams for the Class

AAA and Class AA doubles tournaments. Of those seeded teams, 14 made the quarterfinals, with just the seventh and fourth seeds in Class AA falling short. Schaub and Patel knocked out fourth-seed-

ed Alex Cuddy-Megan Obeid of Wyoming Seminary, 6-0, 6-4, in the second of their three matches Tuesday. They followed that up with a 6-1, 6-3 vic-

tory over fifth-seeded Meghan McGraw and Emily Kabalka of Holy Redeemer. For the opening day of the tournament at Kirby Park, Schaub and Patel lost just nine

games in six sets while advancing through three rounds.

Schaub-Patel opened the tournament with a 6-0, 6-1 win over Veronica Siess-Taylir Evans. They each won their first match in District 2 Class AA singles before being elimi-

"Communication was big," Schaud told the Times Leader. "We started off pretty focused, and that's what we needed to do.'

The other Dallas doubles team won a match before being eliminated.

Maddie Ross and Lauren Butruce defeated Julia Gober-Sam Williams of Wyoming Area, 6-1, 6-3. Patel defeated Taylir Evans of Mid Valley, 6-1, 6-3 before losing to fifth-seeded Steph Pudish of MMI Prep, 6-2, 6-3.

Schaub defeated Vanessa Castillo of GAR, 6-1, 6-3, then was shut out by third-seeded Madison Nardone of Wyoming Semary, 6-0,

Dallas was one of six teams to qualify for the District 2 Class AAA tournament. The Lady Mountaineers were scheduled to begin district team tournament play Friday as the fourth seed of six teams.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

**GRAHAM ON** SOCCER TEAM

Jacquie Graham, of Shavertown, is a member of the Denison University women's soccer team.

A graduate of Scranton Preparatory Schoolo, Graham is a member of the Denison University Class of 2017. MARTIN SCORES HOLE IN

MaryAnn Martin, who resides in Zellwood, FL and summers at Mill Race Golf Camping and Resort in

Benton, scored her third career hole in one when she shot a hole in one at Newberry Country Club on Sept. 7 while golfing with her husband, Alfred.

In April of this year, she also shot a hole in one at Zellwood Station Country Club. In 2001, she scored another hole in one at Newberry Country Club by MaryAnn.

FLAG FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

An adult flag football tournament will be held on Sunday, Oct. 13 at the Noxen field. Eight team flag belts per team will be provided.

Prizes will be awarded to the winning team as well as a Most Valuable Player trophy.

For more information, call Dwight at 570-417-2797. LEGGIO'S FUNDRAISER

The Lake-Lehman cross country and track teams will hold a fundraiser from 5 to 8 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 14 at Leggio's in Dallas. Dinners, takeouts and gift certifi-

cates count towards the fundraiser. Baket Raffle and Candy Bar sale will be held during the fundraiser. HOCKEY CLUB

KaPow Hockey Klub is now accepting registrations for winter indoor hockey for players ges U6-U12. Registration closes on N. 1. For more information, call 570-266-2371.

KaPow Hockey Klub is under the direction of local olympian Lauren Powley.

# Ringing the Victory Bell

Members of the Misericordia Unviersity footblal team rang the new victgory bell at Mangelsdorf Field prior to the beginning of the Homecoming game against King's College on Oct. 5. Members of the Class of 2012, which donated the bell to the university, formed a line cheering on the football team.





'Above: Winning isn't everything - but wanting to win is,' a quote by legendary NFL coach Vince Lombardi, is shown on the plaque beneath the new Misericrodia Victory Bell, donated by the Class

Left: The Misericordia University football team leaves the field at halftime, passing a sign autographed by members of the Class of 2012 who donated the Victory Bell to the school.