

Donegal's wrestling champs

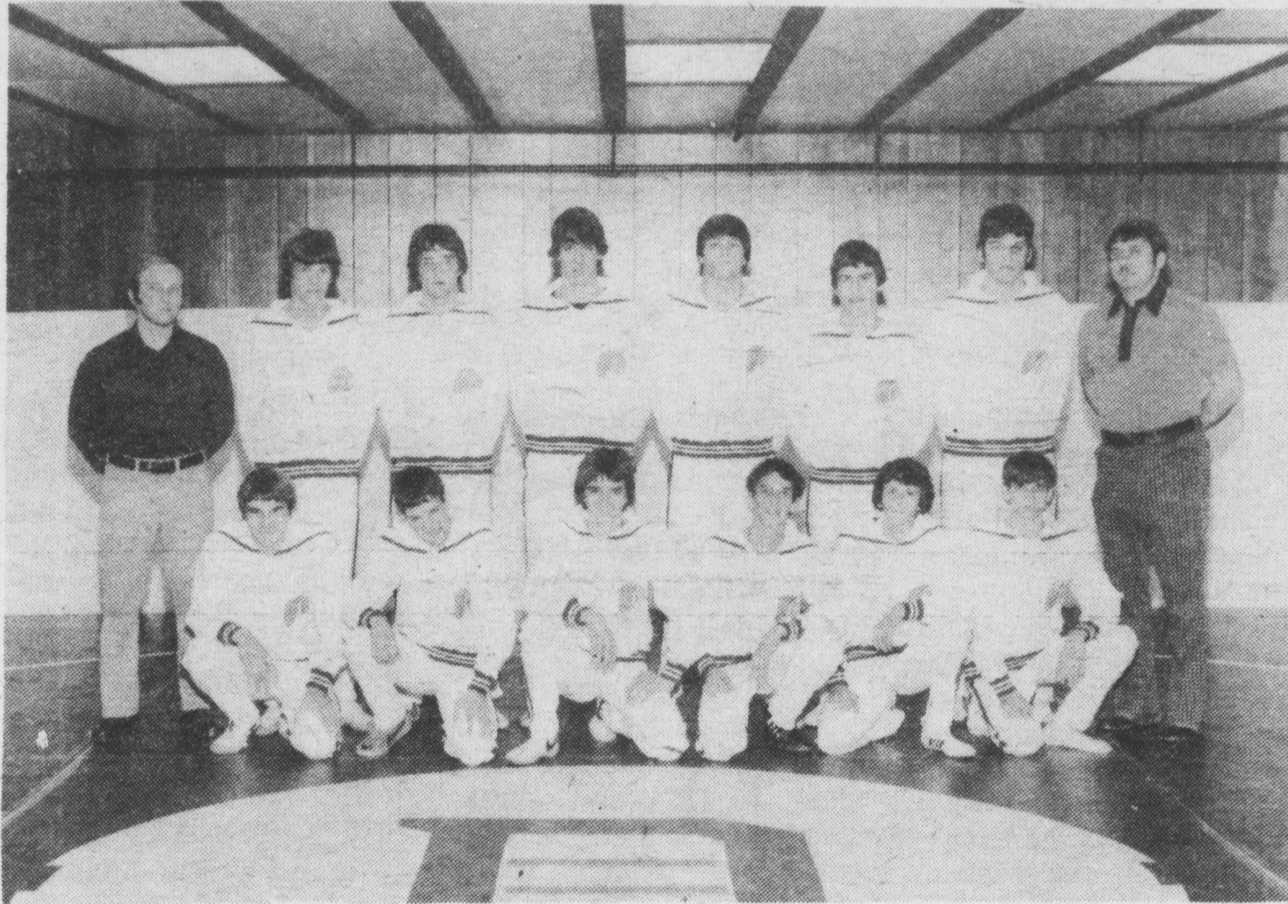


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First row (L. to R.) J. Behling, T. Landis, B. Smith, J. Shirk, T. Sweigart, J. Meszaros. Second row - Coach D. Iezzi, G. Morh, B. Bixler, T. Howell, J. Sheetz, C. Albright, J. Ruhl, Coach W. Price.

New spirit at Donegal

by Barbara Landis

A few years ago Donegal students didn't know the meaning of the words "school spirit." There was little pride and a general attitude of antipathy among students. This has all changed. Donegal has come from its pessimism into the full bloom of optimism. A good example of this positive attitude was exemplified at a pep rally held on Friday, February 14th.

The ideas for this, and all pep rallies, originated with Mr. Emil Swift and the Booster Club's pep rally committee chaired by Pat Brown. After the entire production was outlined came the difficult task of contacting band members, cheerleaders, athletes, etc. Class officers were advised as to the rules, and the contest to determine which class had the most school spirit began. About a week before the actual rally, students began lining the halls, creating "spirit signs" to be hung in designated areas of the gym and halls. The "wearing of the green" was held on the day of the pep rally. This is when students try to wear as much green and white clothing as possible. In the past, students have dyed hair, painted faces, and, one even had gone so far as to decorate his shaven head. Between classes was an impressive sight - green, green, everywhere! Right from the opening of classes, the school was abuzz with talk of the afternoon's events. When the time finally came, students entered the gymnasium to the tunes of the pep band.

The rally was opened with a special cheer by a group of male cheerleaders. The gym went wild with laughter at the antics of these mock cheerleaders. Next came the introduc-

tion of the basketball players and the wrestlers followed by cheers led by the wrestling and basketball cheerleading squads.

The finals of the girls' intramural basketball tournament was played on 4-wheel gym scooters propelled by pushing with the feet. The outcome of the junior/senior battle was victory for the latter.

Finally came the competition to see which class would gain possession of the 20-foot tomahawk, the rotating trophy for excelling in school spirit. Members of each class were to create and perform an original cheer. The freshmen had 2 girls lead their cheer while the sophomore class had a group of young athletes perform theirs. The juniors idea of a computer reading "Failure does not compute!" and "Stop Garden Spot and Cocalico," which accompanied their cheer was good enough to earn them a tie with the seniors whose cheerleaders consisted of girls in football jerseys and shoulder pads and guys in gym bloomers and bobby socks. The giant tomahawk was presented to Joe Meszaros and Jeff Sheetz, presidents of their respective classes. The students were dismissed, but the air of pride and a type of spirit never before shown at DHS lingered on. It is now an undisputed fact that Donegal has the most spirit and holds the best pep rallies in this area.

Since they have shown the desire to uphold their currently top grade reputation, watch out - The Indians are on the move and nothing can stop that "mean green machine!!"

Recent and upcoming events of interest to those who follow the Donegal winter sports are as follows:

Donegal's Basketball Team will have participated in their first play-off game

at York on Monday evening, February 24th. A win there will send them to

Cumberland Valley for a second game on Wednesday evening (game time 8:30 p.m.).

The District 3 Wrestling Tournament Class B, first round, which was held on Saturday, ended with five Donegal boys victorious in their weight classes: Tex Landis at 119 lbs.; Barry Bixler at 138 lbs.; Carey Albright at 155 lbs.; Jeff Ruhl at 185 lbs.; and Dick Daveler, Unlimited. These boys will again be competing next Saturday in the second round which is scheduled to be held at Franklin and Marshall college, 1st session, 12 noon, 2nd session, 7:30 p.m.

Cagers lose

Donegal's basketball team lost to York Catholic Monday night in the playoffs, 65-80.

MOUNT JOY TENNIS CLUB TO MEET

REMINDER: The Mount Joy Tennis Club will hold its first meeting of this year on February 26 at 7:30 in the Mount Joy Borough Building. All interested persons are invited.

Joycee-ette fashion show

An Easter Parade of Fashions will begin at 8:00 on Monday, March 10 at the Mount Joy Joycee-ettes' Second Annual Dessert-Fashion Show-Card Party. The event will take place at the Mount Joy American Legion.

The fashions from the Orange Owl will precede the playing of cards and games. Mrs. John Harnish revealed that tallies and score pads will be decorated in an Easter theme. The centerpieces for each table will serve as the prize for the table winner. Chairwoman for the door prizes, Mrs. Rudy Ney, has said that over 30 door prizes from area businesses will also be given away during the evening.

According to Mrs. Harold McCurdy, ticket chairwoman, tickets are selling rapidly and only a few tables remain unsold. Anyone still wishing tickets should call 653-1230 after 4:00, or 653-5714.

Those attending are reminded to bring their own

cards or table games. The doors will open to the public at 7:30 p.m. so that guests may select their tables as no tables will be reserved. The buffet-style dessert will also be served beginning at 7:30.

DID YOU HEAR...

Holly Baker, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Baker of Marietta, and a senior at DHS has been selected for the Regional Band which will perform at Carlisle High School, March 6 to 8.

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