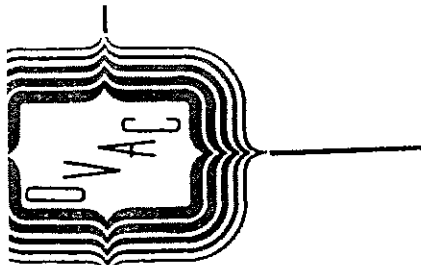




## Brooke High's OVAC Baseball Champions

After capturing the championship of the Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Friday at Shadyside by nipping St. John's Central in 10 innings, the Brooke Bruins look to the West Virginia Region One tournament which starts Monday at West Liberty. Coached by Ed Watkins, the Bruins will take a record of 28 victories in 30 starts into their regional game with Triadelphia. Kneeling, left to right, are Jim Elcessor, Ray Mitchell, Craig Sperlazza, Jim Bainbridge, Bob Pettini, Rusty Schwertfeger, Joe Pettini, Denver Ray, Bruce Morgan, and Dave Knight. Standing are Coach Watkins, Gary Freshwater, John Vincent, Rick Frankhouser, Eddie Joseph, Dan Andrews, Doug Fedak, Joe Evans, Rick Soiy, Charlie Dight, Mark Schwartfeger, Gary McClain, and Assistant Coach Ben Grogan.



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## Brooke Cops OVAC; Jewett, Devils Up

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Brooke is the OVAC baseball kingpin. Jewett and Beallsville captured Ohio district titles. Barnesville pocketed a league crown. And Bellaire was upended despite a stellar pitching effort from Ed Burgy. Those are the headlines on

Friday's schedule as the area prep season is rapidly coming to a halt.

Here's a game-by-game roundup:

—Brooke outlasted St. John's by 3-2 in 10 innings at Shadyside for the OVAC title. Using four pitchers, the Bruins (24-4-2) prevailed with two outs as Craig Sperlazza doubled in Bob Pettini, who walked, with the deciding tally.

The Irish, ending 38-4, jumped to a 2-0 upper hand in the first frame before Brooke evened the count with a two-run fourth in-