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Welcome To The Home of Winter Sports

Pride is not something that is developed overnight, nor can it be developed in a few months. Instead, it takes years of work, months of sweat, and hours of agonizing pain as you watch all the preparation unfold on the wrestling mat or basketball court and hope that the pride won't let the players quit. And quit they don't. For at Bellaire High School the winter season brings forth the ultimate pride in athletics. And who can argue with the results that have been accrued over the past three seasons:

BASKETBALL

1978-1979: OVAC AAAA Champions; Sectional Champions; District Runners-up; 19-2 record; 18 school records established; 4 school records tied; Freshmen League Champions.

1977-1978: OVAC AAA Champions; Sectional Champions; District Champions; Regional Runners-up; 19-5 record; Freshmen Tournament Champions.

WRESTLING

1976-1977: Sectional Champions; District Runners-up; 13-9 record.

1978-1979: Freshmen OVAC Champions.

1977-1978: Freshmen OVAC Champions; OVAC Dual Wrestling Champions; OVAC Tournament Champions; Sectional Runners-up; Third in District; 4 qualifiers to State.

1976-1977: OVAC Champions; Sectional Champions; Rodney Johnson capturing 2nd in the State.

Success like this can only develop a sense of pride that grows and insists on being maintained. Winter sports is no longer a filler between football and track. It has become a mania to both fans and athletes alike,

With this in mind, the basketball program of years past has been altered this year to become the WINTER SPORTS PROGRAM, covering both boys' and girls' basketball and wrestling. For the first time in Bellaire's history, all three sports will have programs sold at the games in an attempt to help the fans better understand the rules, meet the personnel involved, and learn the history behind the success.

Like the winter athletic program, the producers of this program have also developed a sense of pride, attempting to produce what they consider one of the most complete and informative programs produced in the Ohio Valley. Hours of work and preparation went into the assembling of this magazine.

Produced by the Bellaire High School Publications Department under the editorship of Lisa Adams and Dana DeLong, and printed by Bill Davies of the BARNESVILLE ENTERPRISE, the WINTER SPORTS PROGRAM is attempting to give the fans a part of this pride.

Area officials and coaches such as Jim Murray, Bill Welker, Jeff Stolz, and Gene Ammirante have worked to present clear interpretations of rules and regulations governing these sports so that you, the fan, can better understand what is going on during the game.

But perhaps the biggest reason for the success of winter sports at Bellaire High School is you, the fans. Loyal to the last game or match, your enthusiasm and support are continuously felt by the players and coaches alike. If this pride is to continue and grow, so must your support.

We hope that this season brings you as many memories as the past ones have, and that you continue the beautiful support that you've given us. Thanks for coming to tonight's contest. We hope you enjoy yourself.



A True Big Red
DENNIS
BOWMAN

Many coaches become great during their careers, but few become legends, and in the wrestling annals of the Ohio Valley, legends can be counted on one hand. When listing these men, the name of Dennis Bowman certainly has to be at the top. Starting his career in the late '50's at Bridgeport High School under the legendary George Kovalick, Bowman was an OVAC champion for two years and a member of the Bulldog squad that won the state wrestling title. Undeclared his senior year, Bowman incurred an elbow injury early in the tournaments that prevented him wrestling in the state. Enrolling at West Liberty State College, Bowman became a four-year letterman in both football and wrestling. He had the honor of wrestling in both the NAIA and NCAA national tournaments in 1962 and 1963 respectively. Upon graduating, Denny started coaching football and wrestling at St. Johns in 1965, where he started the wrestling program. During his five years there, his teams won two OVAC titles. From there, he went to Union Local coaching the same sports. In 1973, Bellaire was fortunate to get Bowman as a wrestling coach, and another wrestling legend, George Kovalick, as his assistant. Together the two men built Bellaire's schedule into a rigorous slate and gave the school their first OVAC title. Bowman had the unique pleasure of coaching Mike Kovalick, his coach's son, who won the state championship in his senior year. Although he "retired" from coaching for two years to build the OWE program, Bowman returned this year with the same intensity and desire he left. His inspiration and encouragement to coaches and athletes alike have made him extremely respected in athletic circles. Bowman resides at 221 Wagner Avenue with his wife, Loretta, and two daughters, Audrey, who is in the 8th grade, and Amy, a 3rd grader. It is to this man and legend that we proudly dedicate this first copy of Bellaire's Winter Sports Program.



Steve Kish, principal

Bellaire High School's principal is Mr. Steve Kish, who lives at 4 Hillcrest Drive, Martins Ferry, Ohio. He is married to the former Kathy Call of Wellsburg, West Virginia, and they have two children, Kelly, 3½, and Steve III, 1½. He has a bachelor's degree from West Liberty State College, a master's degree from West Virginia University in educational administration, and additional graduate credits from the University of Detroit and Dayton University. Mr. Kish has been on the Bellaire's administration staff for four years and is presently in his second year as principal.

"We are very proud of our academic and athletic tradition here at Bellaire High School. We are extremely proud of our young men, young women, and dedicated coaches who work so hard to represent Bellaire High School in the best possible manner. On behalf of the community of Bellaire, and our student body, we want to wish our athletes the best of luck tonight."

Frank Danadic, ass't. principal

A 1959 graduate of Bellaire High School, Mr. Frank Danadic returned to his alma mater as assistant principal in 1978 after spending seven years working in the Martins Ferry School District. He received his BA degree from West Liberty State College in 1970 and his MS from the University of Dayton. He is primarily in charge of attendance and discipline at Bellaire High School, as well as being the advisor for Student Council. Frank is married to the former Beverly E. Dutcher, also a former Bellaire graduate, and resides in St. Clairsville, Ohio.

"It's always a pleasure to welcome people to Bellaire High School, for this school has always been special to me. The reputation that Bellaire athletes and fans have established for their intensity and competitiveness is equalled no where in the Ohio Valley. I would like to take this opportunity to extend to the players and coaches best wishes for a successful season."



Harry Thompson, superintendent

Mr. Harry Thompson, superintendent of Bellaire City Schools, is certainly no novice in the field of educational administration. During his career, he has served as an elementary and secondary school principal, an elementary supervisor, an assistant superintendent, a clerk-treasurer, and has served in various college posts. He received his BSED degree from Ohio Northern University, his MA from West Virginia University, and has done post-graduate work at WVU and the Universities of Dayton and Detroit. He and his wife, Pat, have three children: Sam, 28; Marjorie, 26; and Penny, 15.

"I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the Board of Education and myself, to welcome you to another season of winter sports activities."

Your support of our young people and their athletic programs will contribute greatly toward the continued excellence of our teams and the outstanding reputation for skill, sportsmanship, and competitiveness of our athletes."

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The Bellaire Board of Education would like to extend a hearty welcome to all the fans and visitors at the home of the Big Reds for tonight's athletic contest.

The Big Reds' tradition is a deep-rooted one. Athletes from our school are known as fierce competitors.

We believe that athletics are an educational experience which all students should share. The educational value in athletics stems from the close parallel to adult life that is shared.

Both require hard work, dedication, sharing, working together, practice, long hours, sacrifice, and the putting aside of

jealousies, greed, indifference, envy, and biased attitude.

After all these things are accomplished there is no guarantee that any of us will be a winner in athletics or in life. This, in itself, is a valuable lesson.

Take what life deals you, handle each problem the best you can, and if you don't succeed, continue forward using your failures as valuable experience.

The Bellaire Board of Education hopes you enjoy tonight's contest and, win or lose, may you leave here realizing there is always another day.

Best wishes.

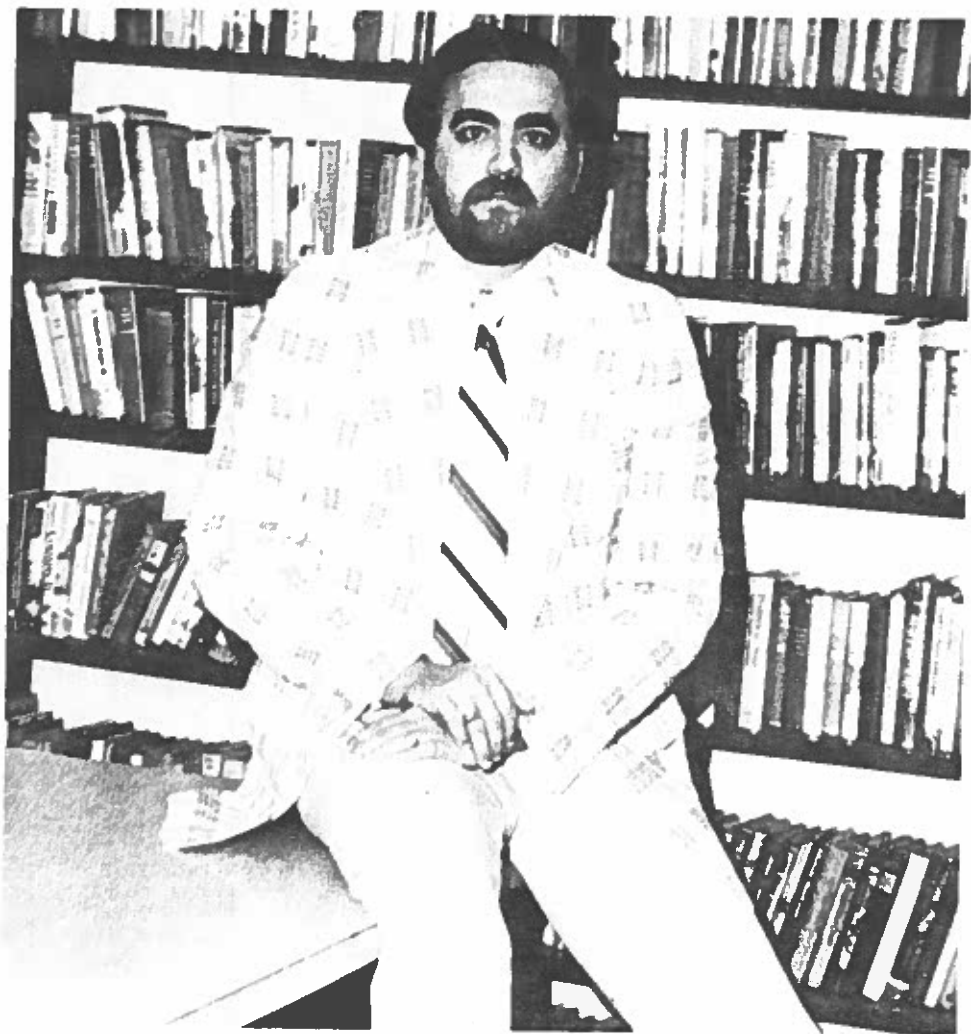
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MARK MATZ **Boys' Varsity** **Basketball** **Coach**



Growing up in Bridgeport made it necessary to get involved in athletics because there simply wasn't anything else to do. And that involvement was exceptionally rewarding. Success was all we knew during our high school days of 1965-1968.

As for me, I participated in varsity basketball and baseball at Bridgeport, with the greatest amount of personal success coming in baseball. I was selected to the all-conference team and was the MVP.

I attended Anderson College in Indiana for one year and then transferred to West Liberty where I graduated in December of 1972. I landed my first job as teacher and coach at Bishop Donahue High School in 1974.

Never did I expect to be a head coach my first year in the business. It was difficult at first, but things started to smooth out. In my first season at Donahue, my basketball team went 18-9, winning the state title. That same year my baseball team also won the state title. My second year (1975-76) was especially satisfying. Going 23-1 and winning the state title again was great. Besides the title, we were ranked second in the nation in small Catholic schools with DeMatha being the only one ahead of us with a better record.

Then I had the good fortune to come to Bellaire in 1976--an opportunity I cherish. Bellaire had always been the class of athletics around the Valley, and I was going to become a part of that. It was a big challenge to say the least. In my three years at Bellaire, we have accomplished: 51-16 record. 3 sectional championships, 2 OVAC championships (AAA and AAAA), 1 district championship, 1 district runner-up, 1 regional runner-up, and numerous school records.

If I were to have a philosophy of coaching, I guess it would be that "In order to live, a body must be united; in order to win, a team must pull in the same direction." It is much easier for five players to win than it is for one man to carry the team.

I hope the fans of Bellaire will enjoy the next three years as much as the last three. You have been a big part of our success in the past, and I hope it will continue in the future. Remember, these are only kids, so give them all the support that you can.



Gene Ammirante, reserve coach

No basketball program should be without a Gene Ammirante. Even those associated with Bellaire basketball don't fully realize the work this man does. "My number one job is the maintenance of the already successful program which we've established. To do this, there are three areas which I concentrate on every year: 1). solid instruction in the fundamentals of basketball; 2). developing disciplined junior varsity players who will step into the varsity scene making major contributions; and 3). instilling an enthusiastic attitude towards the game of basketball, making it conducive to players to sharpen their skills the year around." And no one in the Valley does it better! A graduate of Wheeling Central and West Liberty State College, Gene is entering his fourth year as a basketball coach at BHS. He has also worked with the Wheeling Recreation Department for eight years, directing their basketball program for the past two years. Gene is married to the former Pam Sowers and has one son, Jerry Michael, 1½ years of age.

Kim Clifford, freshmen coach

"Working with Coaches Matz, Ammirante, and Bonar along with great kids, makes coaching at Bellaire a great experience." Kim Clifford, entering his fourth year of teaching and coaching at Bellaire High School, has certainly proved an asset to Bellaire's basketball program. In charge of the foundation, the freshmen squad, Kim has consistently produced teams that know fundamentals first and how to win second, and has taught the yearlings the importance of the two going hand-in-hand. "To be successful on any level, the game must be fun to the players. Although we work extremely hard on fundamentals and the discipline that is necessary to be successful, I always try to show the players that basketball is a great game and that the players are extremely fortunate to be able to participate." Kim is married to the former Penny Gentile and has one son, Ryan, 1½ years old.



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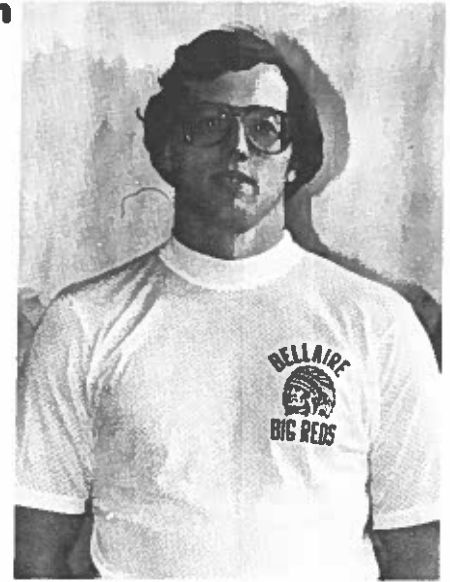
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Bill Bruney, reserve coach

Bellaire High School was fortunate this year in obtaining the services of one of the Ohio Valley's finest families of athletics -- the Bruney's. Bill Bruney was hired last summer as an assistant football and wrestling coach and to teach driver's education and physical education. Upon graduating from Ohio University in 1974 with a bachelor's degree in physical education and health, he went to Alliance High School where he coached junior high football. He then returned to the Ohio Valley to spend four years at Bridgeport High School where he coached varsity football and served as an assistant in wrestling. During his last year at Bridgeport, both his football and wrestling teams were OVAC AAA champions. He was also a member of the Ohio coaching staff that won the OVAC football game this past summer. Bill is presently working on his master's degree from the University of Dayton and plans to have certification in guidance and counseling this year. "My philosophy in coaching is that if a player can learn self-discipline and self-sacrifice from playing sports, then it has been a worthwhile endeavor."



Sophomore Wrestlers



SOPHOMORE WRESTLING TEAM - ROW 1: ERNIE BLAZEK, WAYNE CLARK, TODD GILBERT, TERRY ZONKER, RALPH HADLEY. ROW 2: TOM PAIGE, MIKE KOLAKOWSKI, CHARLES ROBBINS, GEORGE CROOKS, ROSS JOHNSON.



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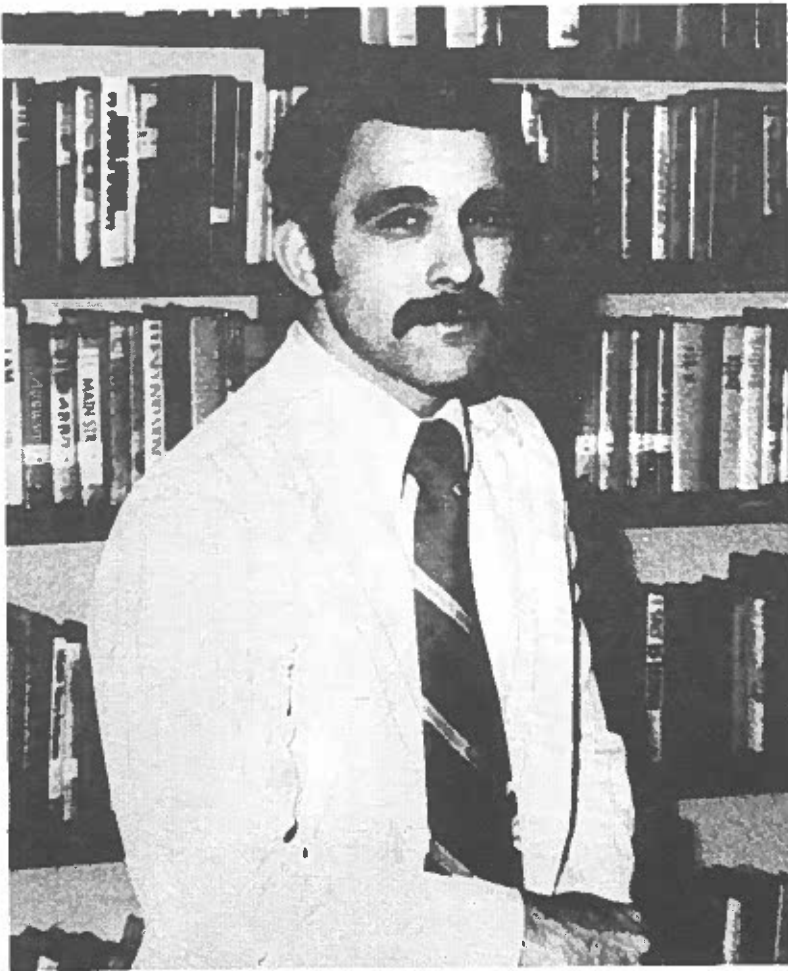
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JEFF STOLZ

Varsity Wrestling Coach

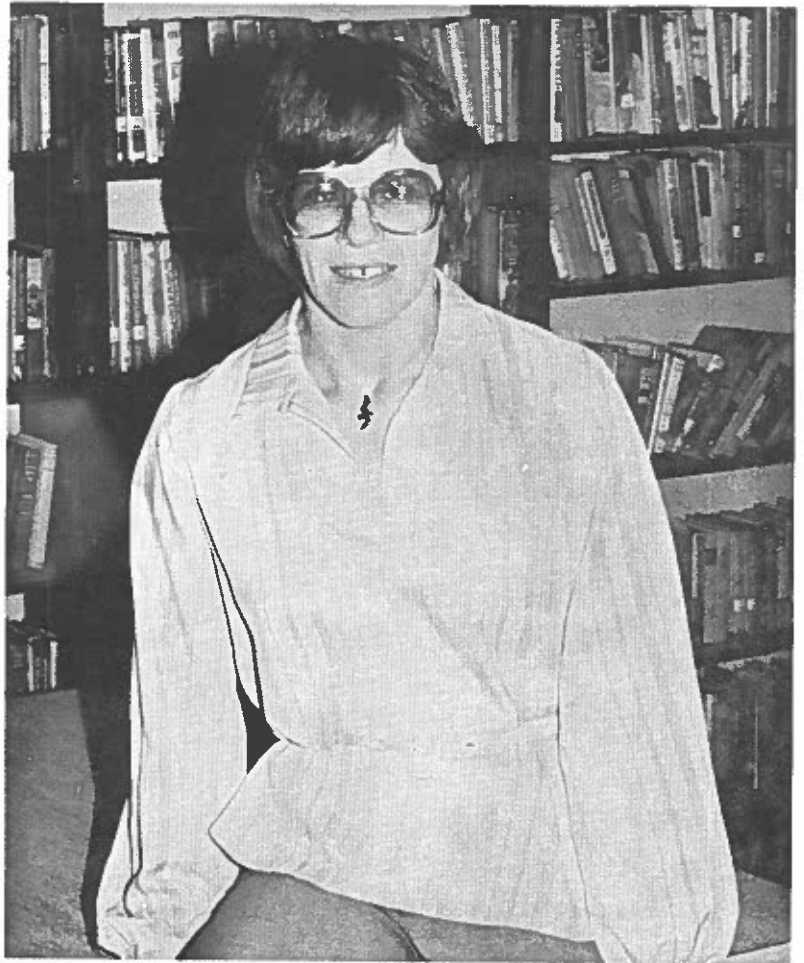
Born and raised in the rural community outside of Bellaire on Rock Hill, I was fortunate to participate in wrestling during its first years as a varsity sport at Bellaire High School. I was a three-year letterman and co-captain my senior year, earning Sectional and District championships and OVAC runner-up honors my junior and senior years. I have the distinction of being the first Bellaire wrestler to be entered in a state tournament to represent our school.

After graduating from Bellaire in 1970, I attended Bethany College in West Virginia where I earned four varsity letters, was co-captain my junior and senior years, and gained third and fourth place finishes in the President's Athletic Conference. I majored in physical education and health with a minor in biology. I have taught and coached in Bellaire since 1975.

My philosophy can best be summarized by "All good things come to he who waits, and while waiting--works!" No other sport is more demanding of the individual than wrestling. To become a champion means the strictest discipline in diet and training must be maintained twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. The practice session must be challenging enough to extract a high degree of work, yet flexible enough for all experimentation of new techniques. Road work must be squeezed into "spare" moments away from practice. The training and practice demands are gruelling, with most people unable to withstand the regimen. In the same token, the rewards and sense of accomplishment able to be reaped by the wrestler are unparalleled. There is no other sport like wrestling!

I would like to express my thanks to the school board and members of the community who backed and supported me when I needed them most. You will always be in my thoughts, and, hopefully, I will be worthy of your faith. I personally feel a special sense of pride in being accepted as a coach in the town and school I love. I will strive at all times to uphold the high standards of competition and tradition passed down through the years to me and pass them on in turn. Just as there is no other sport like wrestling, there is no town like Bellaire.

PAT FERRICK **Girls' Varsity** **Basketball** **Coach**



I grew up in the Bellaire-Shadyside area. While attending Bellaire High School, I was a member of our undefeated basketball team. After graduating from BHS, I attended Ohio University where I majored in mathematics and minored in government and history. I also received my masters degree from OU.

Before coming to Bellaire, I taught at two other schools, Garaway Local and Logan City. While at Garaway Local, I coached track for four years and produced four consecutive undefeated and county championship teams. I then moved to Logan City where I coached basketball for one year. There we were runners-up in our league. I next returned to Bellaire where I have taught since 1974.

My philosophy of basketball can best be summarized by "You can, if you think you can." For in the words of Shakespeare, "Your doubts and fears are traitors and oft cause you to lose the good you might have won for fear of trying." I believe there is no substitute for hard work, determination, and loyalty. Each player must develop self-discipline, be willing to sacrifice part of themselves, and be totally dedicated. My ideal is a well-conditioned, well-disciplined, and emotionally stable unit that functions efficiently. Each player on the team is special.

In this tremendous game of basketball, life is simulated in many aspects. It challenges the best in a person. Each player is a member of a team striving through cooperative effort and within a framework of a code of rules to attain a common goal--victory. But we must also remember that "our greatest glory consists not in never failing but in rising every time we fail."

I would like to express my thanks to the school board, the Touchdown Club, Mr. Kovalick, and the people in this area who have supported us in any way. We will do our best in order that you may keep your faith in us. So I conclude, "we're going to give this basketball season our best shot--dream a dream and then really work to make it come true, so all may have a sense of pride in our girls' basketball team."



Beth Powell, reserve coach

Coming from a long line of basketball greats, Bellaire High School is extremely fortunate to have Beth Powell as the assistant girls' coach this season. The daughter of former Big Red great, Duane Powell, Beth is a graduate of West Liberty State College holding a major in Physical Education and a minor in Health and Safety. In her first year as an assistant coach, Beth is also a registered volleyball and softball official.

"This will be a building year for the reserve basketball program at Bellaire High School. There are a few back from last year's team, so that means building from the ground up. It will be a difficult task to accomplish a winning season with so little experience, but if everyone works together, we can have a winning season. This will be our part in making the athletic program a complete success."

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BHS Pep Band

PEP BAND—ROW 1: TERRI DAVIS, JENNIE CONNORS, KELLI EIKLEBERRY, DIANA VALACHOVIC, NORMA FLETCHER, LORI COX. ROW 2: DANNY MCCORMICK, SCOTT RATAICZAK, SHERRY MCFEELY, THERESA STILLION, KATHY HADLEY, VICKI FLETCHER. ROW 3: SANDRA JOHNSON, BETSY BRUTCH- EY, MYRA MILLER, RALPH HADLEY, JOHN BRUCE, DEBBIE DONAHUE. ROW 4: LEE BLANCHARD, ROB STILLION, DEBBIE DUNFEE, CARL FANKHAUS- ER, SUE ANN GILBERT. ROW 5: RANDY RATAI- CZAK, TERRY KENNON, WILLIE MCFEELY.



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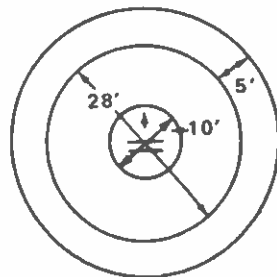
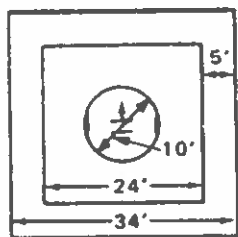
☆☆☆ History of Wrestling ☆☆☆

Wrestling is a hand-to-hand contest between two opponents in which each attempts to control the other by placing him on his back, with both shoulders touching the mat for a given number of seconds. The techniques used in wrestling have been passed down from ancient times. In fact, carvings on an ancient Egyptian tomb near Beni Hasen depicting wrestlers using holds still employed today indicate that scientific wrestling is not a new idea. Besides being probably the oldest sport known to man, it is also undoubtedly one of the most challenging.

Though many people think of wrestling as a sport in which the strongest man always wins, this is not always true. Wrestling does involve strength to a large degree; however, competitive wrestling has evolved into a number of athletic art forms in which precision of execution, reaction to the opponent's moves, scientific principles, and physical conditioning are more important than brute strength. In fact, modern amateur wrestling involves its participants more thoroughly than any other physical activity. Many times, a lean, wiry wrestler handles a more powerfully muscled opponent with apparent ease because of superior coordination, balance, timing, and speed.

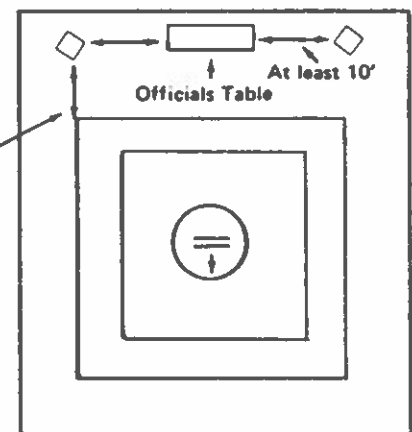
In a match, there are two wrestlers of approximately the same weight competing on a plastic-covered, foam-filled mat, which may have a marked-off square or circular wrestling area measuring 28' square or a circle 24' in diameter. High school matches are six minutes long and are broken down into three two-minute periods. Collegiate matches are eight minutes long with a two-minute opening period followed by two three-minute periods. There is no rest time between periods. A referee is on the mat with the wrestlers and is in total command of the match. He governs the action, awards all points, and insures against dangerous or illegal holds. A scorekeeper and timekeeper are posted at a table 10 feet from the wrestling area. All other persons must remain at least 10 feet from the mat. The mat is surrounded by a perimeter of 5 feet of safety mats.

MINIMUM MAT SIZE



At least 10'

The MAT AREA includes the mat and a space 10 feet wide surrounding the mat including the team benches and the officials' table.



A large number of people today have a misconception of just what amateur wrestling is and how a match is won or lost. This is due to a great extent because of television's version of so-called "professional" wrestling. Contrary to what you have been led to believe, wrestling does not consist of or condone gouging, biting, punching, stomping, or any of the practices of popular circus performances we've witnessed on television. We will attempt to clear up some of the confusion concerning wrestling in this and the articles that will follow in the center of the wrestling programs.

The best way to understand wrestling is to watch it, and the way to watch the best wrestling is by supporting the Big Reds matmen during the 1979-80 campaign. We hope to see you a lot.

Bellaire High Varsity Cheerleaders



VARSITY CHEERLEADERS - FRONT: RENEE FREY, JANE TOMLAN(CAPTAIN), MISSY WARNER, TERRI GIOFANI, DARLA PRICE. BACK: ROBIN SHOPPER, TRACY MAXWELL.

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Junior Wrestlers



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8th Grade Wrestlers



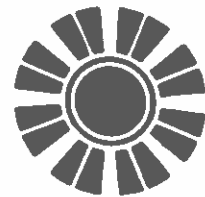
8TH GRADE WRESTLING TEAM - Row 1: JEFF TEKELY, DUB DOYLE, MARK ROSE, CURT HAMILTON, DARREN CLARK, DON KIDDER. Row 2: SCOTT HOWELL, TIM THARP, CHRIS FRY, JOHN SCHRAMM, JOE GIFFEN, MIKE CONNOLLY, JOE ARMSTRONG.

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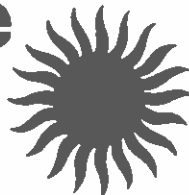


8th Grade Basketball



8TH GRADE BASKETBALL TEAM - Row 1: BRIAN BAUCUM, GLENN DAWSON, JOE MORAN, DIRK PICA, CURTIS GALLOWAY, DAVID RHODES, QUINTIN HELMS. Row 2: JOHN CIVIN, DONNIE GIFFIN, RAPHAEL JONES, MIKE BALSEI, JOHN SABINSKI, TODD WEEKLEY, SCOTT HUDSON, COACH JEFF SABATINO.

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the young man and his educational maturing process.*

*Because a wrestler's health and well-being are primary concerns,
and because the young man and his parents, along with the community,
have placed their confidence and trust in me and in the school. . .*

I WILL REMEMBER ALWAYS

*that the level of physical fitness and the pitch of mental attitude
are matters related to a competitor's lifetime needs
and, therefore, are more important than his or my personal
ambitions.*

*Because sportsmanship always rates priority over winning,
and because losing is a lesson which must be learned early in life. . .*

I WILL REMEMBER ALWAYS

*that fair play, moral obligation, and ethics are part of winning and losing,
that graciousness and humility should always characterize a winner
and that pride and honor do not desert a good loser.*

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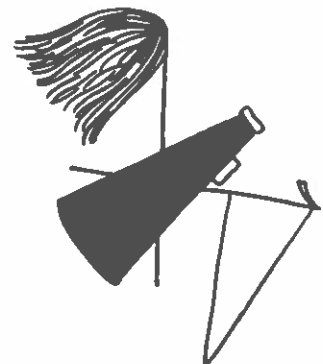
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"The finest in the Ohio Valley." Sound like a boast? Possibly, but not when you consider that this describes Bellaire High School's statisticians.

"The stats," as they have become known throughout the Ohio Valley, have worked hard over the past five years to become recognized for their beauty, their manners, and their accuracy. Area sports writers have come to depend on their ability to chart everything from rebounds and shots to steals and assists. Responsible for watching 19 categories of statistics for both squads, "the stats" have developed a high rate of accuracy.

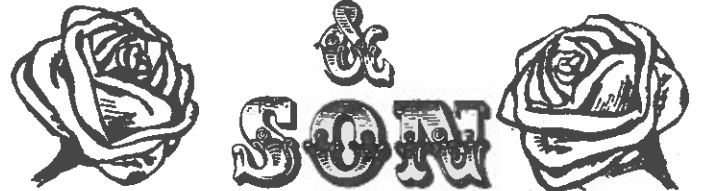
Started in 1974 by Thomas E. Rataiczak, varsity scorekeeper, the girls have also become an integral part of the "family spirit" promoted by Big Reds' basketball. Traditionally, the player's names around the Indian-head are done by "the stats." Last year, the girls also created the awesome graveyard and made each varsity player an 18" x 24" scrapbook of the season. Their avid support of the team is the only thing keeping them from being 100% accurate, as it is sometimes hard to keep from cheering during the game.

Belinda "Red" Caruth is now serving her fourth year as a stat, as "being a stat" has become something you do throughout high school. This past summer, Denise Piatt, who also keeps the reserve scorebooks, was honored by being a scorekeeper for the OVAC All-Star Basketball Classic.

Their willingness to promote basketball and their accuracy in recording statistics have helped the girls become accepted and recognized in basketball circles throughout the area.

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BASKETBALL PROGRAM EDITORS - LISA ADAMS, DANA DELONG.

BHS Publications Enjoy Continued Success in Work

In 1968, Thomas E. Rataiczak returned to Bellaire High School to teach at his alma mater and advise the BELJUAN, Bellaire High's annual. Little did he realize at that time that the 1969 BELJUAN would grow into the Bellaire High School Publications that it is today.

For five years, the yearbook staff worked to constantly upgrade the quality of the production, finally achieving a Medalist rating from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association in 1973, recognizing it as one of the top 10% of the books published in the U.S. Much of the success for this was attributed to the students' participation in two-week workshops at Indiana University where they were taught by some of the best instructors in the nation in correct methods of yearbook production.

In 1973, Rataiczak took a three-year sabbatical from journalism to pursue his masters degree and build his home. Returning in 1976, it was then decided to move into a new and unique phase of publishing annuals. The 1978 BELJUAN marked the first book in the school's history to be published "camera-ready," that is the entire book was made ready for the company's cameras by the students at the high school. At that time, no other book in the Ohio Valley was done this way, and only a handful of annuals throughout the nation attempted this method.

Once the students saw what could be accomplished, there was no turning back. The next publication to become overhauled. In 1978, the staff turned out a weekly paper, the first time this was ever accomplished at Bellaire, only to return this year to a monthly edition, once again, completely prepared by the students.

The high school paper, THE TRIBUNAL, was



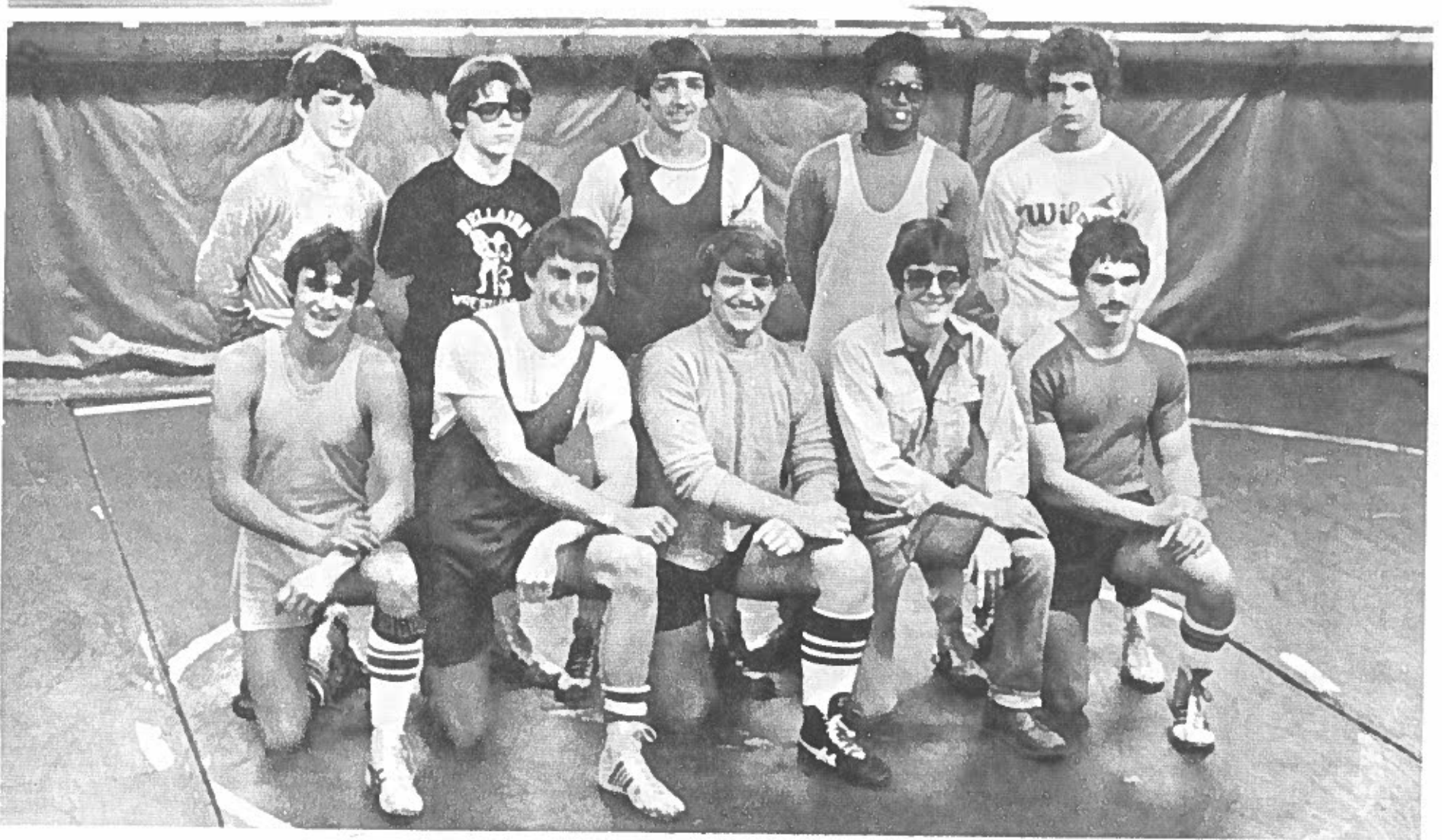
PRODUCTION - BOB DURIGG, BUSINESS MANAGER; JEFF NELSON, HEAD PHOTOGRAPHER; THOMAS E. RATAICZAK, ADVISOR.



PUBLICATIONS' EDITORS - JOLYNN TYLKA, TRIBUNAL; KEVIN GREENWOOD, THE BELLAIRE CITY SCHOOLS REPORT; BELINDA CARUTH, 1980 BELJUAN; BRENNAN VANNELLE, 1981 BELJUAN.

Last spring, at the publication's banquet, it was announced that the BELJUAN and TRIBUNAL staffs would combine to form the first Bellaire High School Publication's Staff. To date, they have produced the above two publications along with the Ohio Valley Basketball Classic program, the BHS basketball programs, the basketball stat sheets, play posters and programs, brochures and posters for the Ohio Valley Coaches' Clinic Association, the RED LEGEND, stationery and letterheads, and recently agreed to publish the school district's newspaper. For these students, the accomplishments are great, but the future is even greater. Their desire to excel will certainly produce even better publications in the future.

1979-80 VARSITY WRESTLING SENIORS

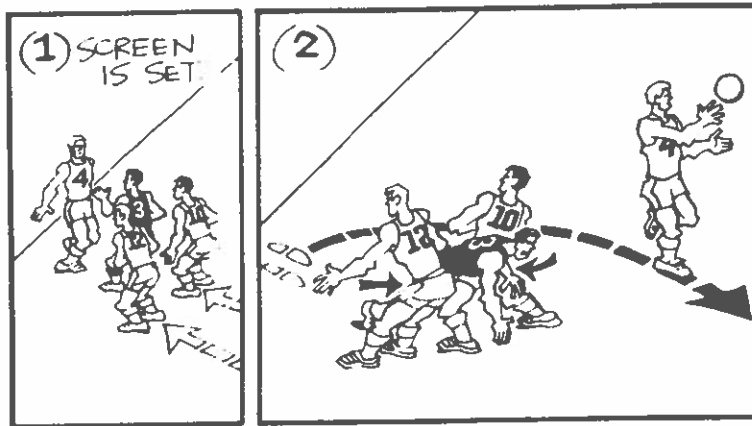


VARSIY WRESTLING TEAM - ROW 1: LARRY HARRIS, MARK DUNLAP, DON WEEKLEY, CHUCK MEHLMAN, MARK PROUT. ROW 2: BILL CHILDERS, JO LOCOCO, TONY MILLER, ARTIS JOHNSON, PETE PERZANOWSKI.

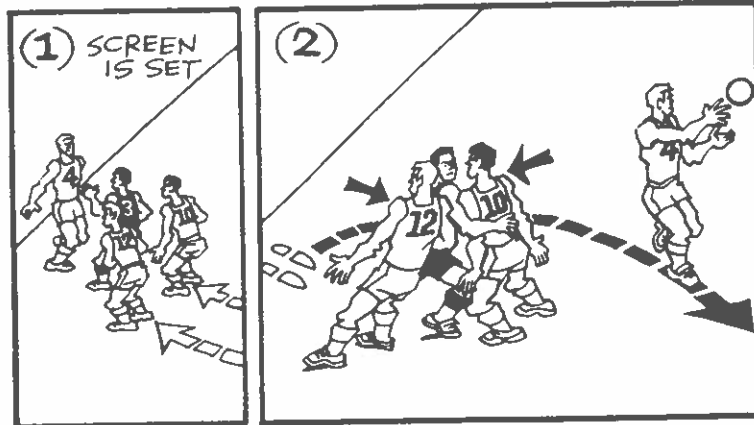
How Would You Call It?

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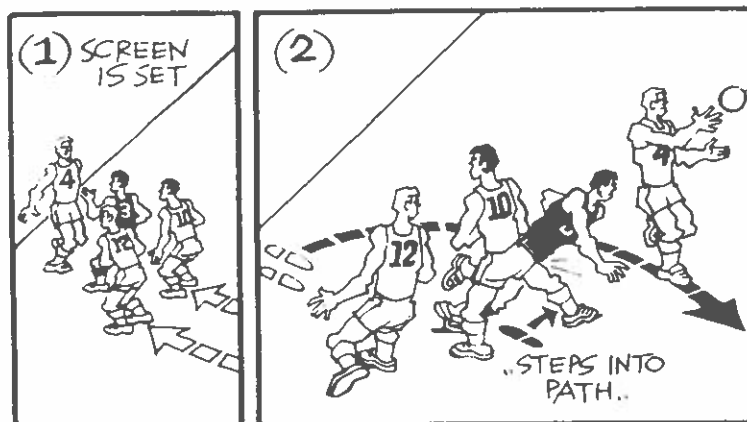
Number 12 and 10 leave a space for #3 to come through, but they pinch him by moving their hips in as he attempts to move through. The foul is on #12 or #10, whichever one contacted #3 first. If #3 were simultaneously fouled by #12 and #10, then action would result in a multiple personal foul.



Number 3 attempts to force his way between #12 and #10 when there is not enough room. The foul is on #3.



Number 10 fouls by stepping over into #3's path as he attempts to go around.



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No.		Year
10	RICK KRUPNIK	11
12	JIM SKETEL	11
14	SMOKER LIBERATI	12
20	CURTIS FELLER	12
22	CRAIG JENKINS	11
24	RON BUMGARDNER	12
30	DOUG ADAMS	12
32	DAVID GRAY	11
34	LOU FISHER	11
40	DAMON ANDERSON	11
42	JERRY KINNEY	12
44	CHUCK MEHL	12

Mark Matz, varsity coach

Gene Ammirante, reserve coach

Kim Clifford, freshman coach

Jeff Sabatino, 8th grade coach

VARSITY CHEERLEADERS

Terri Ciofani
 Renee Frey
 Tracy Maxwell
 Darla Price
 Robin Shopper
 Jane Tomlan (capt.)
 Missy Warner

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 Lori Dumas
 Sue LaRuffo
 Linda Marple
 Mimi Mitchell
 Michelle Porter
 Kim Williams

Harry Thompson, superintendent
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 George Kovalick, athletic director
 Melvin Swartz, assistant athletic direct



BIG RED STEUBENVILLE



No.		Year
11	BRADLEY YOUNG	11
21	VINCE DiMICHELE	11
23	MARK GRAVES	11
25	EDWARD GILLISON	11
31	FRED ALLEN	11
35	VIRGIL SANFORD	11
41	ROGER ROBINSON	12
43	CURTIS HARRIS	12
45	EDWARD WATTS	11
53	JEFF GILLIAM	12
55	CHARLES PERDUE	11

Charles Watt, varsity coach

Michael McVay, assistant coach

David Moitus, freshman coach

Thomas Mitchell, freshman coach

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 Terri Brooks
 Becky Bundy
 Lori Kane
 Lisa Kerr
 Michele Lucas
 Holly Zimmerman

RESERVE CHEERLEADERS

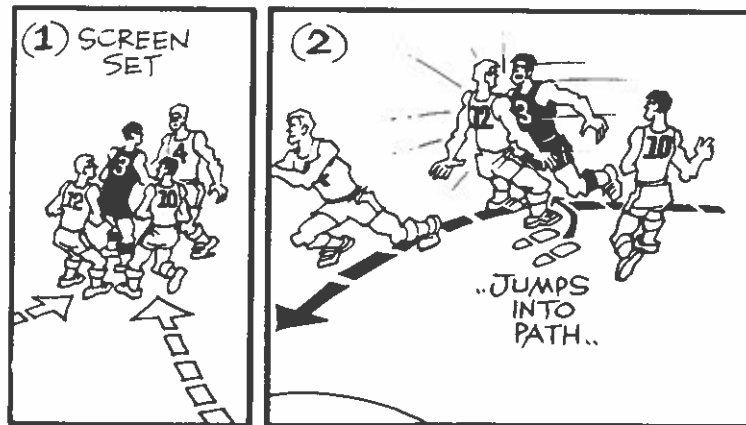
Laura Baker
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Dr. Dan Keenan, superintendent
 Jene Watkins, principal
 Norman Blanchard, assistant principal
 Bob Hedmond, athletic director

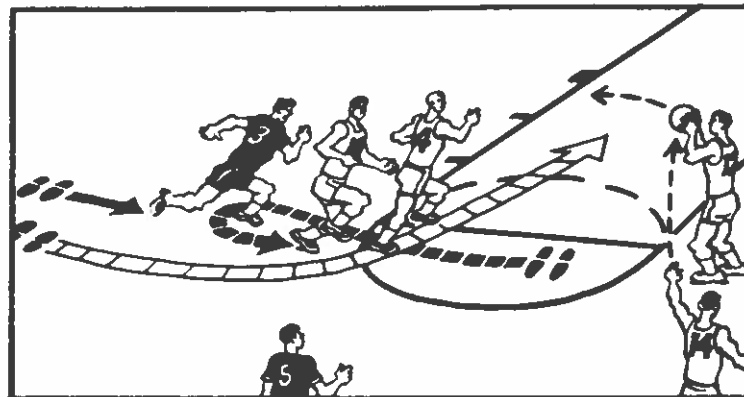
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You Call It (cont.)

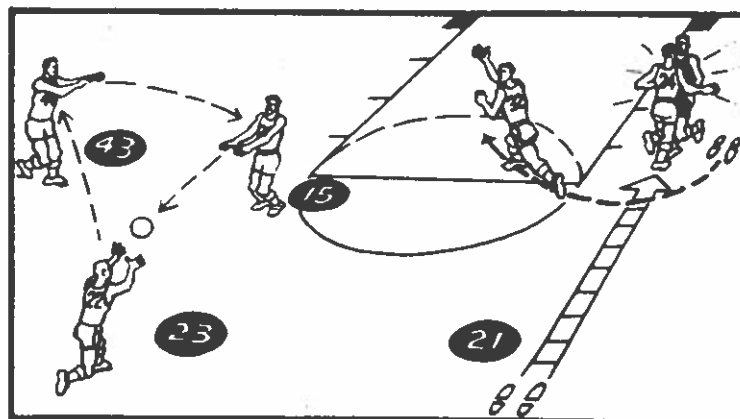
The foul here is on #12. He moved into the path of moving #3 too late for #3 to stop or change direction. Number 3 does not have the ball.



This is an example of a legal moving screen. There are not many opportunities to use a legal moving screen. Number 10 may continue in the path established at any rate he/she desires and any contact caused by #3 or #10 will be a foul on #3.



Here is a typical example of the screen off the ball. Both the officials frequently watch the ball, allowing #24 to establish a "perfect" moving screen illegally and bump B out of the way so #32 is now free for an unguarded try at the basket. The foul by #24 should be called. One official must be looking away from the ball at all times.



1979-80 BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM



VARSIY BASKETBALL TEAM - ROW 1: DOUG ADAMS, SMOKER LIBERATI, (CAPTAIN) CURTIS FELLER, (CAPTAIN) CHUCK MEHL, JERRY KINNEY, RON BUMGARDNER. ROW 2: JIM SKETEL, DAVE GRAY, LOU FISHER, DAMON ANDERSON.

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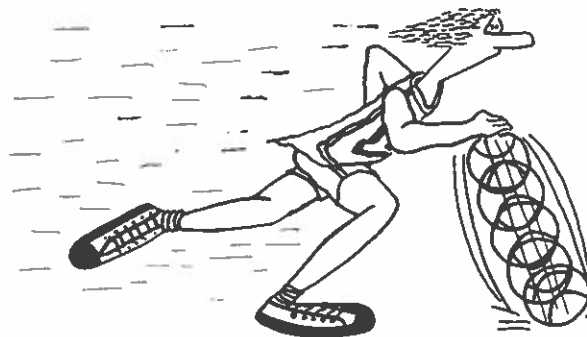
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with our local sister stations in providing duplicate services, but to provide Bellaire with services the local station cannot provide either timewise or financially. The cooperation between the local stations, especially WOMP, has been great.

WBHR is as well-equipped, if not better than, any station of 1000 watts or less, either commercial or non-commercial. And what is even more remarkable, it has been accomplished by the students raising the funds to purchase the equipment, programs, and music, maintain the equipment, and replace old, donated equipment.

"WBHR is an asset to our high school. I just can't understand why more people don't support it."
-Bob Durigg, senior

It is hoped the the Federal Communications Commission will come forth with a construction permit enabling the Radio Club to boost the output power from the present 10 watts to 100 watts. The move to 100 watts will increase the coverage of WBHR by approximately five miles, bringing outlying areas such as Neffs, Key Ridge, and Dixon Hill into good coverage. The cost to the Radio Club will be approximately \$1500.

Programming on WBHR includes music, sports, and public affairs.

During the football season, the Radio Club, in a gesture of community spirit, extended an invitation to neighboring St. Johns Central to use the facilities of WBHR to broadcast their home football games. St. Johns availed themselves to the offer, with a similar offer being made for the basketball season. WBHR also carries girls' basketball and plans to carry baseball and possibly softball in the spring.

In music, WBHR provides the contemporary "Top Forty" music plus some classical music in terms of "Keyboard Immortals," in addition to "Memory Lanes," featuring music from the fifties, sixties, and early seventies.

Public affairs are heard on such programs as "Conversation at Chicago," "Casper Criton Program," "Scope," "Waste Not," "NASA Facts," and "Man and Molecules."

Last year, the Radio Club formed an organization made up of parents and friends, called "WBHR Booster," to help with raising funds for the station and with other special projects. The group consists of over 30 persons interested in seeing WBHR "reach out" to Bellaire.

The group has been under the direction of Mr. Norman "Bud" Russell since its beginning, and recently received the assistance of Mrs. Linda Creamer as an assistant advisor.



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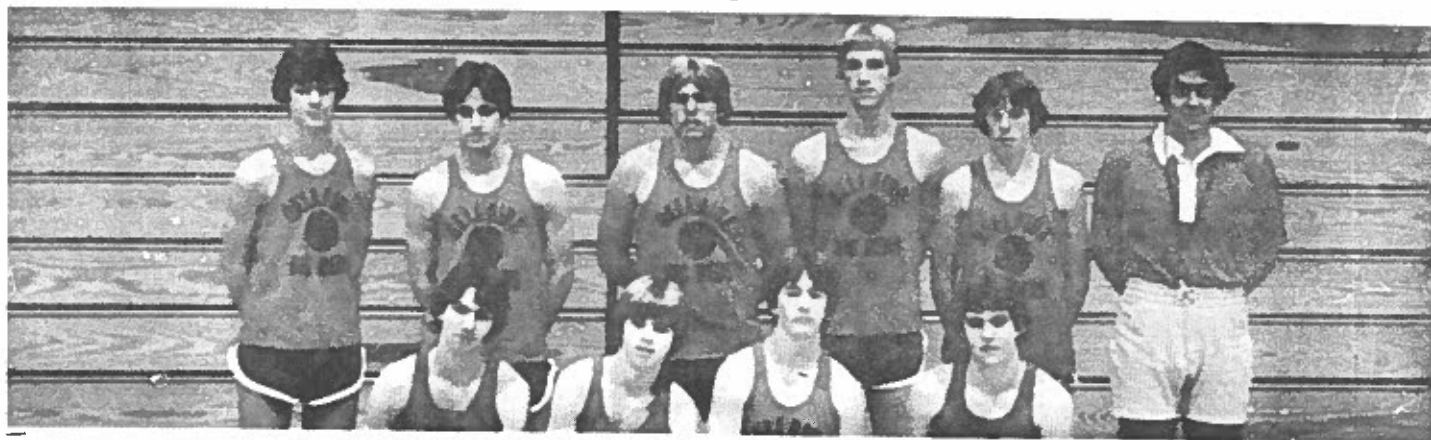
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Reserve Boys' Basketball



RESERVE BASKETBALL TEAM - ROW 1: MIKE McNABB, MATT THOMAS, TODD FITCH, JON BAUKNECHT. ROW 2: BILL VINKA, ALAN PUTINSKY, RICHARD LEIGH, BILL KAHL, RICK SHIMBLE. COACH: GENE AMMIRANTE NOT PICTURED: CRAIG JENKINS, ROGER LATHAM, KEVIN PITTS, JEFF HELMS, JAMES WESLEY.

Freshman Wrestlers

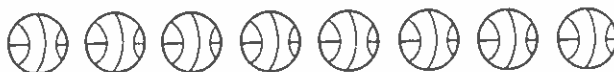


FRESHMAN WRESTLING TEAM - ROW 1: TONY CAVICCHIA, MARVIN CHILDERS, FRANK IMER, KEVIN JOHNSON, OKEY LEASURE, CHUCK MILLER, DAVE MELLOTT, PAT SADOWSKI. ROW 2: MIKE KURTH, STEVEN MAXWELL, THOMAS WILEY, CECIL HANSON, JIM EDGELL, JODY HARRIS, BLAINE BEALL, DAVE BOYERS. ROW 3: TERRY BAILEY, GARY KRSUL, MARK SHRIVER, JIM LOCOCO, ROGER KINDER, JIM FARNARIO, DOUG HAYNES.

Freshman Basketball



FRESHMAN BASKETBALL TEAM - ROW 1: DALLAS GRAY, GLENN YOHO, MIKE KAHL, JEFF CARMAN, MIKE MATERKOSKI, JEFF TEASDALE. ROW 2: TIM DUMAS, JIM PIATT, ANDY BOBKA, RANDY VASEY, BILL DALLISON, JAMES GALLOWAY.



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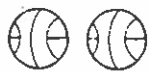
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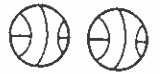
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1. Is dressed, on the floor, and ready for practice on time every day.
2. Works hard to improve himself without having to be forced. He is serious. He has fun without clowning.
3. Never leaves the floor without permission.
4. Gives the coach his undivided attention when talking.
5. Moves quickly to get into position to start a new drill. He runs to the water fountain to get a drink. He doesn't ever walk.
6. Always keeps a neat appearance.
7. Does things the way he has been told and does not have to be told everyday.
8. Is in the best possible condition -- PHYSICALLY, MORALLY, and MENTALLY.
9. Does not wear mustaches or have facial hair.
10. Has neatly trimmed hair.
11. Absolutely does not use drugs or alcohol.
12. Is never late. LATENESS IS A SICKNESS.
13. Wears dress pants, a dress shirt, and dress shoes to all games.
14. Never uses profanity. Profanity is dirty and cheap. BIG REDS ARE CLASSY AND GREAT.
15. Sees practice as a privilege. He doesn't ever miss practices, only in extreme emergencies.
16. Says three things to the officials -- "Yes sir," "No sir," "Thank you sir."
17. Does no hot-dogging or cheap talking to his opponents. Actions speak louder than words. He plays hard-nosed, aggressive, and intense basketball.

Big Reds pride doesn't begin with the student body. Big Reds pride does not begin with the coaching staff. BIG REDS PRIDE BEGINS WITH YOU! Your actions on the floor and off the floor reflect you as well as your school. Be proud. YOU ARE A BIG RED.



BHS Basketball Record Holders



CATEGORY	GAME INDIVIDUAL	GAME TEAM	SEASON INDIVIDUAL	SEASON TEAM	CAREER INDIVIDUAL
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	34 Darrell Ewart	105 River Local	492 Ricky Lee	1629 1975-76	993 Ricky Lee
FIELD GOALS	18 Ewart/Lee	45 River Local	226 Ricky Lee	721 1977-78	498 Ricky Lee
FIELD GOAL %	100% (5-5) Jerry Kinney	62% (24-39) Whg. Central	61% Frank Sabatino	51% (655-1275) 1978-79	54% (164-302) Bill Mehl
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	17 Brian Dawson	53 Triadelphia	171 Brian Dawson	454 1976-77	247 Darrell Ewart
FREE THROWS	14 H. Seabright	30 Triadelphia	102 Brian Dawson	264 1977-78	179 Darrell Ewart
FREE THROW %	100% (8-8) Ricky Lee	91% (20-22) River Local	81% (81-100) Darrell Ewart	59% (264-448) 1977-78	72% (179-247) Darrell Ewart
POINTS	59 Mike Sherwood	118 Mound./St. J.	767 Lee Patrone	1706 1977-78	1842 Lee Patrone
OFFENSIVE REBOUNDS	13 Brian Dawson	34 Barnesville	125 Wayne Chase	465 1975-76	229 Brian Dawson
DEFENSIVE REBOUNDS	13 Brian Dawson	31 Barns./St.J.	180 Brian Dawson	567 1977-78	337 Brian Dawson
TOTAL REBOUNDS	22 Brian Dawson	65 Barnesville	302 Brian Dawson	942 1975-76	681 Ricky Lee
STEALS	6 V. Mehl/Lipper	16 Tri-V/St. J.	43 JoJo Campbell	191 1978-79	77 Brian Dawson
ASSISTS	12 Jim Kinkade	26 Buck. South	123 Dickie Sketel	576 1977-78	148 Vince Mehl
BLOCKED SHOTS	7 Brian Dawson	13 Buck. South	43 D. Lipperman	138 1978-79	65 D. Lipperman
CAUSED JUMP BALL	3 D. Lip./J. Gray	6 Buck. South	23 K. Roseberry	80 1975-76	36 K. Roseberry
AVERAGE			33.3 Lee Patrone	87.8 1955-56	20.6 Darrell Ewart
POINTS IN A QUARTER	17 Darrell Ewart	35 St. Clairs.			

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A Champion Is Made, Not Born!

We often take for granted the little things in life. If you were to approach a very talented basketball player and ask him why he is so good, he probably may not be able to tell you why.

To a player, it started when, at some time in his life, he decided to be better than the rest. For some, the start might have been later than others; but for all, it was a day when a BOY had a DREAM to be the best!

It might have to do with seeing a superstar do his thing, and in most cases, as he would sleep at night, he would envision himself grabbing a shot in mid-air, racing the length of the floor past every obstacle one could imagine, and finishing up by rising high over the opposition for a spectacular slam-dunk at the horn for a one-point win in the championship game.

It is when he wakes up in the morning that the dreams become reality.

Dreams make you feel good, so why not try it for real? And the boy will go to the basketball court and, by himself, try to do what he did in his dream.

For some, discouragement sets in very fast. The little 5'8" fella can hardly perform the 360° dunk. And when he sets out to shoot his jumper, he draws nothing but air. Now it is decision time.

It is time to decide whether or not he will be a champion or perhaps play some other sport.

That night he has another dream, much like the one he had the other night.

And there he is, doing all of those outrageous things with the ball. So as he goes to play the following day, he comes up with the same results. And as he sits under the shade tree with his ball at his side, he hears two voices. One says "YOU CAN!"

The other says "YOU CAN'T!"

When you hear the voices talk to you, it is up to you to decide which one you will try to follow. The champion never says can't. And more surprisingly, the champion is an ordinary person like you and me, except for one thing -- HE HAS AN EXTRAORDINARY DESIRE

TO BE THE BEST!

You can do whatever you want to do, only if you realize that the secret is hard work alone.

Skill is something you must develop on your own. You can't wait for a coach to take you by the hand and teach you everything about the game. That is a luxury. But the real player will take his DREAM, along with his BALL, and you will see him work with excitement and enthusiasm that the young boy had in his dreams to turn them into realities.

There is no shortcut for hard work. Because what you might lack in size and skill, you will remember the days you spent on your own working hard. And when the moment of truth comes for you to prove if you can or can't, and you

know as much about the game as you possibly can, look for yourself in the spotlight. If you dedicate yourself to your dream, look for others to see you do what only you have seen so far.

And if in the game of basketball, you can learn what it is to be a WINNER, winning will always be your style, because once you get a taste of winning in any game, you will then be a winner in the game of life!

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If you'd like to win but think you can't
It's almost a cinch that you won't.
If you think you'll lose, you've lost.
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Success begins with a fellow's will-
It's all in the state of mind.*

— The Men on the Bench —

It takes more than five players to make a winning team. The starting five may win a game, but it takes the whole team to win the championship -- to go all the way. The team is really like an iceberg. You see the starting five, but underneath it all is that big, wide, strong base -- the rest of the team. This is the part of the team that builds the character of a lasting winner. The more dedicated the man on the bench, the harder he works, the more he pushes the starting player -- the higher he pushes this iceberg out of the water -- the bigger it gets -- the better the team. If he quits, doesn't give his all, or becomes complacent in his position, he erodes that strong base and erodes the character of the team. He contributes to an error in a tense, one point game, he is partly to blame for that mental lapse with four minutes to play in the big rivalry, he undermines the total effort necessary for the team to come back from a ten point deficit in a championship game. And yet this player on the bench must be there -- watching, waiting, and hoping -- sometimes agonizingly -- for that chance to use that special skill to better the team effort -- to make that base of that iceberg stronger -- to help build the character of the team. Yes, agonizingly because he knows there is a chance he won't play because he may be the smallest man waiting to break open a press or he may be the big man called in an instant to shut down the unusually big center who is hurting the team inside. He may even be the man that's hurt, but working twice as hard to be physically fit in time to play in the playoffs. He may be the man on the bench who demonstrates that this team really has character from the bench to the basket. But even more important he may be the whole bench that the player looks to late in the game when he is hurting, out of breath, and burning inside for that spirit, that push, and that enthusiasm, and that love necessary to make the big play and win the game for the whole team. When the game is over, when the season ends and all the fans and sportswriters are talking about the top of the iceberg, the stars and heroes, the players will know that the real winner is the team, the whole iceberg, especially the base -- the men on the bench who build the character to make the team a lasting winner.



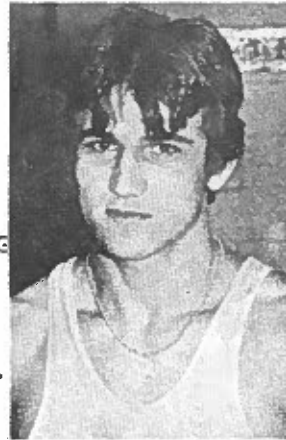
TONY MILLER
Wrestling
1 - Year Letterman



SMOKER LIBERATI
Basketball



TO LAUGH AFTER VICTORY IS NOTHING
TO GLOAT AFTER CONQUEST IS NAUGHT
BUT TO PICK YOURSELF UP WHEN YOU'VE
SUFFERED DEFEAT
IS A VIRTUE THAT CAN NEVER BE TAUGHT.
TO CHEER WHEN YOU SEE YOUR TEAM WINNING
TO APPLAUD WHEN THE SCORE IS WITH YOU
IS NOTHING COMPARED TO THE TEAM THAT
CAN SMILE
WHEN THEY'RE BEHIND BY A BASKET OR TWO.



LARRY HARRIS
Wrestling



PETE PERZANOWSKI
Wrestling

*All men want to succeed, but
some want to so much that they're will-
ing to work for it.*

*Temper is a valuable possession-
don't lose it.*

*If you have talent and patience,
you can accomplish anything.*



CHUCK MEHLMAN
Wrestling
1 - Year Letterman



ARTIS JOHNSON
Wrestling
2 - Year Letterman



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 Go Reds! Good Luck D.G. SJC Happy H.C. '79
 El Lorrel El Capition
 Scot Cob On The Corn? Good Luck Terri
 SS Eat At Calovinis? Phyllis Yarnevic
 Score A Point For R.H. Jo "Marked" to Success
 Sophs Do It Better NHS Loves Pizza Hut
 7th Per. Geo. Is Bad Good Luck Bill Kahl
 Scrubs Are The Best! AR-ROO-ROO-ROO!
 Mike -n- Sue Forever Italian Stallion S.L.
 Mark and Christine Karl Marx Lives (BC)
 Mooney & Williams TLA 'Kathy & Donnie 4 ever
 Crystal -n- Jeff Class of 80 No. 1!
 Psst; Tag; Whoops! Back Room Fun!
 Austin -n- Caitin Beth M. & Mark M.
 Funky Feet S. LaRuffo Let's Go Reds! -Teddy
 Josette Loves Mark "Charge!" Reds-Teddy
 Good Luck Bufford. I Love you C.F. - M.P.
 Good Luck Seniors Maovoureen Kennedy
 Meintel Yo Te Quiero Good Luck From Sandy
 Michele Who's Peter? The Tooth
 Molly And The Doctor Molly & Curtis
 Connie Hibbitts Wendy & Bob 4/ever
 Bumgardner & Planey Monahan & Davis TLA
 Lisa And Gary Dee Davis "84"
 Kisty Mennedy - 81 Bellaire High School
 Doug And Susan Georgia Dawson "84"
 Ron And Mern Tracy Maxwell "81"
 Beth And Bobby Good Luck Mascot!!!
 Shawn And Chris Class of "80" is #1
 Darla Price 81 Stella "80" Reds #1
 Mack is A Fox! '80 Sticks Together
 Good Luck Curtis Terri & Joey
 Do It On The Mat I Am A Friend OF Winter Sports
 We Love Sheperds Good Luck Reds SP
 Rat's A Turkey P.B. Dee S. -n- M. Rose TLA
 Jacquie C. n Mark R. Meintel -n- LaRuffo
 Helms -n- Kudlak Louie Fisher Is Mine
 Good Luck Ron! -MP

Get 'Em On The Mat
 Go Big Reds
 Go Wrestlers! Do It!
 Cindy T. -n- Mike M.
 Rachel Hughes
 Joe Tomlan
 Sheri Lyn Rataiczak
 Billy Morgan
 Scott Wells
 Terry Rataiczak
 Linda Rataiczak
 P. Palkovich Family
 Ann Hollingsworth
 Someone Stole My...
 Fellowship Of The Ring!
 Volleyball Is #1
 Paula Loves Russell
 Good Luck Smoker
 Sue Loves Smoker
 Missy And Jody
 Timmy & Michelle
 John And Dawn
 Lori Loves Scot
 Mitchell -n- Antonik
 Wendy S. And Doug H.
 Monahan & Davis 4 ever
 Bad News Big Reds B.K.
 Chuck Loves Diana TLA
 Good Luck Craig - Cuz!
 Good Luck Todd! Denise
 Denise -n- Todd
 Suzanne -n- Jim
 Susan Piatt
 Margaret Piatt
 Jim Piatt Sr.
 JoJo -n- Jodelle
 To DP all my love TF
 Good Luck Big Reds DP
 Trackmen do it faster
 BHS is the best ever
 Pin 'em Prout from sis
 Neffs is classy
 Jon & Jill Purteman



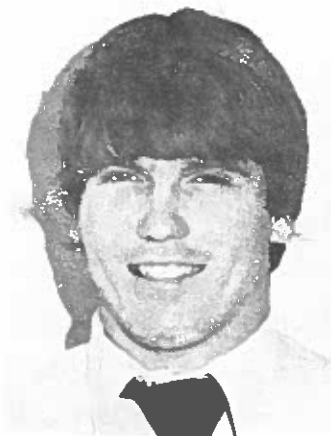
George Kovalick, athletic director
Melvin Swartz, assistant athletic director

For the past several years, Bellaire's athletic program has continued to steadily improve. Perhaps the key reason for this lies in the hands of Coach George Kovalick, Bellaire's athletic director. Known throughout the Ohio Valley for his tremendous knowledge of all sports, and very active in the OVAC circles, Kovalick has directed much of this experience into building a solid foundation for our athletic program. This year he is assisted by Melvin Swartz, now in his second year at BHS. Swartz replaced Coach Richard Mason in managing the ticket sales. Swartz also assisted this year in coaching the 8th grade football squad and scouting for the varsity.

Tom Rataiczak scorekeeper

Since 1973, Thomas E. Rataiczak, English teacher at Bellaire High School, has channeled much of his time and interest into Big Red's basketball. Not only has he served as scorekeeper for seven years but he has also been responsible for "the stats" and the collection of roundball records. He has also been honored by being the official scorekeeper for the OVAC Basketball Classic since its inception and has done public relations for both the OVAC Classic and the Ohio Valley Coaches Clinic Association.

Rataiczak has taught at Bellaire High School since 1968 and advises the newspaper and yearbook. He is married to the former Linda Sue Kahl and resides on Breezy Point Lane with his two children, Sheri Lyn, 10, and Terry Edward, 6.



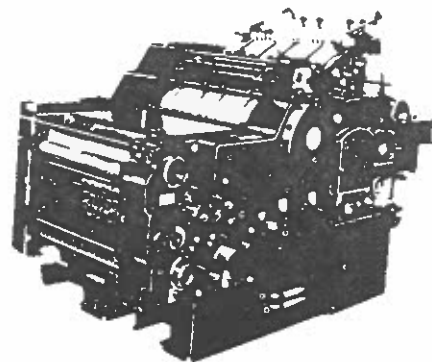
Mark Bonar, timer

One of the key ingredients for a successful sports program is the accumulation of energetic and knowledgeable young assistants, and since 1976, Bellaire High School has had such a person in the form of Mark Bonar. A 1972 graduate of Shadyside High School and a 1976 alumni of Bethany College, Bonar has instilled much enthusiasm into the entire sport's program, assisting in football, basketball, and baseball. Coaches Matz and Olsavsky can testify to the contributions made by Bonar. Last year, with the resignation of Mark Matz as head baseball coach, Bonar was elevated to the top position. An area standout for the Warwood Reds for the past several years, Bonar's first season was somewhat disappointing, but with a good nucleus of youngsters back this season, some of the enthusiasm should start to show.

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Composite History of the Big Reds Opponents

SCHOOL	No. of times met	Won	Lost	Greatest Win	Worse Defeat	Most Points Scored by BHS	Most Points Scored on BHS
BUCKEYE SOUTH Tiltonsville (1933) Yorkville (1944)	54	26	28	94-37 Tiltonsville 1955-56	64-34 Yorkville '46 56-26 Tiltonsville '47	94 Tiltonsville 1955-56	73 B. South 1978-79
CAMBRIDGE (1909)	42	17	25	52-32 1961-62	72-18 1917-18	80 1977-78	84 1976-77
CLAYMONT Urichsville Dennison (1966)	1	0	1	-----	71-86 1965	71 1966	86 1966
JOHN MARSHALL Moundsville (1909) Union (1916) Sherrard (1947)	117	74	43	53-2 Moundsville 1910-11	79-30 Union 1947-48	118 Moundsville 1966-67	105 Moundsville 1965-66
MARTINS FERRY (1908)	129	60	68 (1 tie)	57-16 1912-13	87-27 1943-44	104 1968-69	116 1967-68
RIVER LOCAL Powhatan (1931) Clarington (1938) Hannibal Sardis	29	17	12	109-63 1975	49-90 1968	109 1975	113 1968
RIVERVIEW (1976)	1	1	0	59-56 1976	-----	59 1976	56 1976
SHADYSIDE (1915)	79	65	14	78-32 1949-50	67-54 1964-65	106 1968-69	107 1976-77
ST. CLAIRSVILLE (1908)	65	49	16	109-57 1952-53	52-15 1912-13	109 1952-53	79 1975-76
ST. JOHNS (1948)	47	35	12	103-53 1958-59	114-65 1967-68	118 1966-67	122 1967-68
STEBENVILLE (1909)	59	24	39	53-23 1917-18	100-48 1968-69	90 1973-74	100 1968-69
WHG. CENTRAL (1970)	3	3	0	78-52 1970-71	-----	78 1970-71	52 1970-71
WHEELING PARK Wheeling (1911) Warwood (1920) Triadelphia (1920)	124	51	73	48-18 Wheeling 1916-17	61-13 Wheeling 1934-35	100 Wheeling 1971-72	127 Wheeling 1972-73
WINTERSVILLE (1950)	28	16	12	99-65 1976-77	97-67 1967-68	99 1976-77	97 1967-68

The dates in parenthesis after the school's name indicates the year the schools first met.

BELLAIRE HIGH'S



Gene Ammirante
Freshmen Football
Reserve Basketball



Mark Bonar
Assistant Football
8th Grade Basketball
Varsity Baseball



Dennis Bowman
Assistant Football



William Bruney
Reserve Football
Assistant Wrestling



George Kovalick
Athletic Director



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Kim Clifford
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Basketball



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8th Grade Football
Assistant Baseball



William "Jake" Olsavsky
Varsity Football



Beth Powell
Reserve Girls'
Basketball



John "Dixie" Purtiman
Varsity Boys' and
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Assistant Track



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	BUCKEYE SOUTH	H	SBB
3	STEUBENVILLE	A	GBB
4	SHADYSIDE	H	VBB
5	ST. CLAIRSVILLE	H	GBB
6	JOHN MARSHALL	H	VW
7	ST. JOHNS	A	VBB
10	WINTERSVILLE	A	GBB
	SHADYSIDE	A	FBB
11	MARTINS FERRY	H	VBB
13	SHADYSIDE	H	GBB
	ST. CLAIRSVILLE	A	FBB
14	ST. CLAIRSVILLE	A	VBB
15	BROOKE INVITATIONAL	A	VW
17	MARTINS FERRY	A	GBB
	MARTINS FERRY	H	FBB
18	WHEELING PARK	A	VBB
19	MARTINS FERRY	A	VW
20	BUCKEYE SOUTH	A	GBB
	ST. JOHNS	H	FBB
21	STEUBENVILLE	H	VBB
22	MARTINS FERRY	H	SBB
27	WHEELING PARK	A	SBB
28	BARNESVILLE INV.	A	VW
	HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT	A	VBB
29	HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT	A	VBB
	BARNESVILLE INV.	A	VW
	BISHOP DONAHUE	H	SBB

JANUARY

3	UNION LOCAL	A	GBB
	LINSLY	A	FBB
4	WINTERSVILLE	H	VBB
5	JOHN GLENN		
	ST. CLAIRSVILLE	A	VW
7	RIVER LOCAL	A	FBB
10	BRIDGEPORT	A	GBB
	BRIDGEPORT	H	FBB
11	MARTINS FERRY	A	VBB
12	CAMBRIDGE		
	RIVER	H	VW
	MARTINS FERRY	A	SBB
	WINTERSVILLE	A	GBB
14	BARNESVILLE	H	FBB
15	RIVER	A	VBB
	CADIZ	H	GBB
16	LINSLY	H	VW
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19	CAMBRIDGE	A	VBB
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21	SHADYSIDE	A	GBB
	LINSLY	H	FBB
22	JOHN MARSHALL	H	VBB
23	ST. JOHNS	H	GBB

24	OVAC		VW
	SHADYSIDE	H	FBB
25	OVAC		VW
	ST. JOHNS	H	VBB
26	OVAC		VW
28	ST. CLAIRSVILLE	H	FBB
29	MARTINS FERRY	H	GBB
30	UNION LOCAL	H	GBB
31	MARTINS FERRY	A	FBB

FEBRUARY

1	ST. CLAIRSVILLE	H	VBB
2	WEIRTON		
	STEUBENVILLE(WEIR)	A	VW
	JOHN MARSHALL	A	VBB
	WHEELING CENTRAL	A	SBB
4	ST. JOHNS	A	FBB
6	BARNESVILLE	H	GBB
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	ST. JOHNS		
	UNION LOCAL(SJC)	A	VW
18	ST. JOHNS	A	GBB
22	BUCKEYE SOUTH	H	VBB
23	BISHOP DONAHUE	A	SBB
29	SECTIONAL		VW

MARCH

1	SECTIONAL		VW
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CODE

VBB	VARSITY BASKETBALL
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FBB	FRESHMAN BASKETBALL
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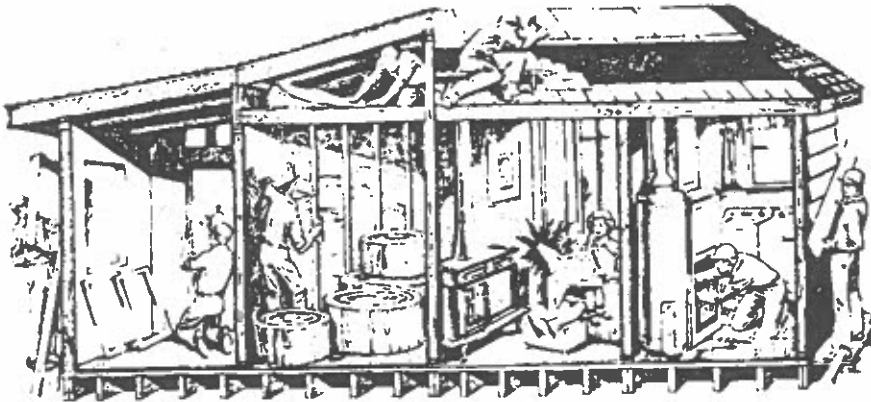
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