

## Objections now in on settlement over unnecessarily harsh impact of roster limits

(AP) — Most of the objections posted Wednesday to the lawsuit settlement set to alter the college-sports model concerned the impact roster limits will have on players in so-called “Olympic sports,” some of whom have already been cut from their teams.

As part of the settlement, the NCAA proposed limits on ros-

ters that would be imposed for schools that choose to adhere to the terms of the deal. While the new roster limits expand the number of scholarships schools can provide, estimates are they could lead to the loss of 10,000 or more spots in “non-revenue,” or Olympic sports, across the NCAA because the limits will restrict the number of walk-ons

allowed on the teams.

“Our daughter ... has been informed — in a manner both unceremonious and unnecessarily harsh — that she will no longer have a roster spot for the 2025-2026 season,” Megan and Kevin Lang wrote about their daughter being cut from the Ohio University soccer program.

“This outcome starkly con-

trasts with the NCAA’s mission statement to provide ‘a world-class athletics and academic experience,’” for athletes, the Langs wrote.

The deadline is Friday for people to file objections to the House settlement. A hearing in federal court is set for April 7, where Judge Claudia Wilken will decide whether to issue fi-

nal approval to the terms.

The settlement will allow schools, in a revolutionary twist for college sports, to directly pay up to \$20.5 million to athletes for their name, image and likeness. Schools that choose to do so will also be subject to the roster limits.

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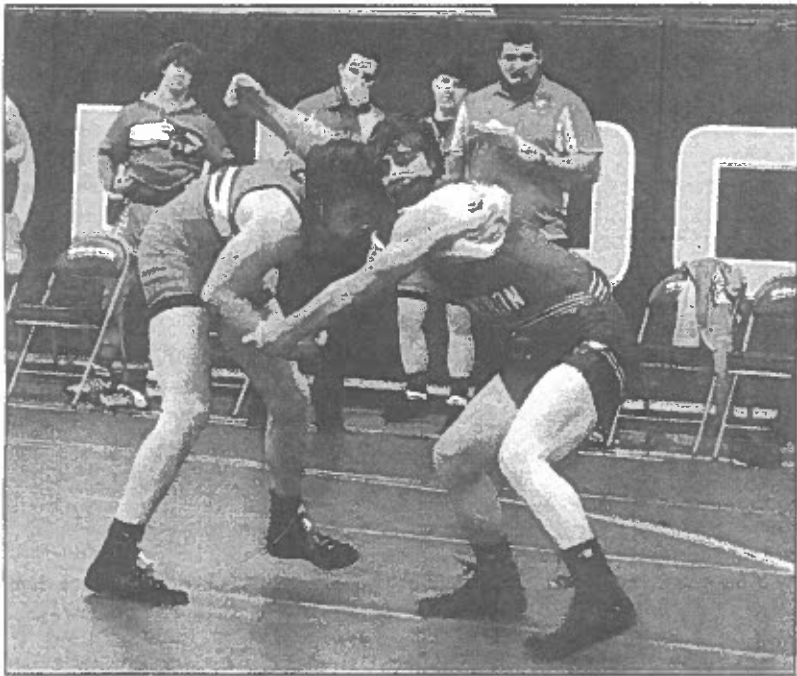


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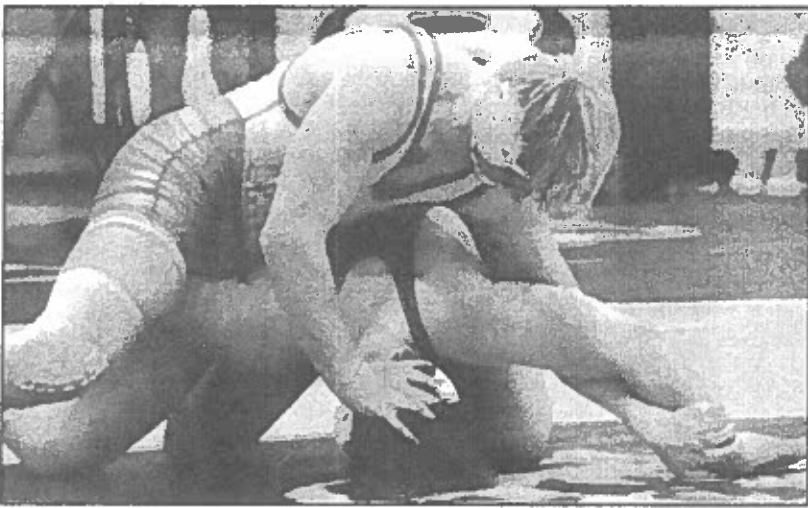


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## Thornton, Ohio State Buckeyes take on the Penn State Nittany Lions

(AP) — Ohio State Buckeyes (12-8, 4-5 Big Ten) at Penn State Nittany Lions (13-8, 3-7 Big Ten)

University Park, Pennsylvania; Thursday, 6:30 p.m. EST  
**BOTTOM LINE:** Penn State faces Ohio State in a matchup of Big Ten teams.

The Nittany Lions are 10-2 in home games. Penn State is 0-2 in games decided by 3 points or fewer.

The Buckeyes are 4-5 against Big Ten opponents. Ohio State has a 2-4 record in games decided by 3 points or fewer.

Penn State makes 48.8% of its shots from the field this season, which is 8.9 percentage points higher than Ohio State has allowed to its opponents (39.9%). Ohio State averages 8.1 made 3-pointers per game this season, 0.2 more makes per game than Penn State allows.

The Nittany Lions and Buckeyes match up Thursday for the first time in Big Ten play this season.

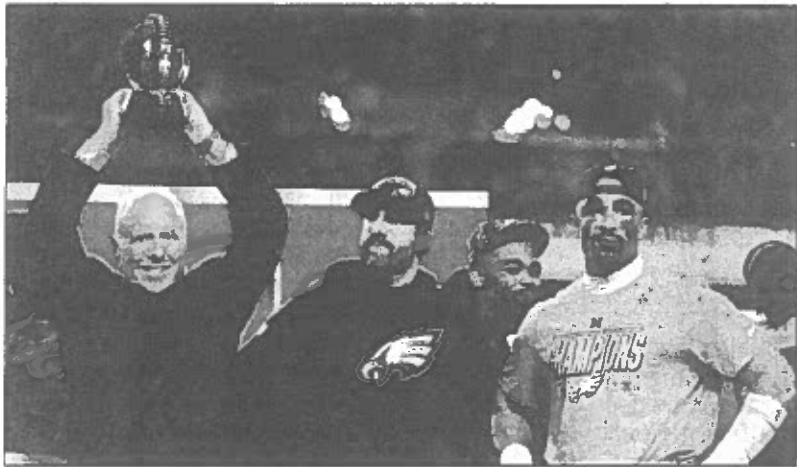
**TOP PERFORMERS:** Adrian Baldwin Jr. is averaging 14.3 points, 7.9 assists and 2.1 steals for the Nittany Lions. Nicholas Kern is averaging 14.6 points over the last 10 games.

Bruce Thornton is averaging 17 points and 4.2 assists for the Buckeyes. Devin Royal is averaging 12.2 points and 6.7 rebounds over the last 10 games.

**LAST 10 GAMES:** Nittany Lions: 4-6, averaging 76.1 points, 30.0 rebounds, 14.2 assists, 7.4 steals and 3.7 blocks per game while shooting 45.5% from the field. Their opponents have averaged 77.4 points per game.

Buckeyes: 6-4, averaging 80.4 points, 31.6 rebounds, 12.4 assists, 6.5 steals and 3.5 blocks per game while shooting 47.5% from the field. Their opponents have averaged 73.3 points.

## Eagles’ run to the Super Bowl vs. the Chiefs is fueled by changes after epic collapse last season



AP Photo

**PHILADELPHIA EAGLES** owner Jeffrey Lurie celebrates with the trophy after their win against the Washington Commanders in the NFC Championship NFL football game, Sunday, in Philadelphia.

**PHILADELPHIA (AP)** — The Eagles were indeed flying high as the best in the NFL, boasting a 10-1 record with a No. 1 seed, home-field advantage in the playoffs, and yes, a Super Bowl ring all ahead as credible goals.

This season? On the way to the Super Bowl on Feb. 9 in a rematch from two years ago against Kansas City?

No, try 2023, when coach Nick Sirianni and quarterback Jalen Hurts’ run at a Super Bowl instead turned into one of the more epic meltdowns in Philly sports history — and there have been scores of them.

The Eagles were 10-1 until they were clobbered by San Francisco at home by 23 points in an NFC championship game rematch. Dallas beat the Eagles by 20 points the next week and the losses — and finger pointing — snowballed from there. The Eagles limped to a 1-5 regular-season finish before they were

put of their misery in a wild-card loss to Tampa Bay.

Sirianni was on the hot seat despite three playoff appearances and a Super Bowl trip in three seasons. Changes were mandated — from the assistants to the game plan to drafting to repairing the loose connective tissue inside the locker room.

The harsh lessons learned from last season fueled the Eagles on their way to a 14-win regular season and three more wins in the playoffs.

Team owner Jeffrey Lurie and general manager Howie Roseman declined to move on from Sirianni and the Eagles made the moves needed to bring them back to the top of the NFL — and they are one win away from reaching the pinnacle.

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## As the Chiefs chase a 3-peat, DeAndre Hopkins and other vets finally get their Super Bowl chance

**KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP)** — DeAndre Hopkins was stuck on a downtrodden team in Tennessee headed for the No. 1

for NFL careers that had been long on personal success but short on team results.

“Words can’t really describe it,” admit-



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"It's been the story of the 2023 to the 2024 Eagles. As bad of a feeling we had about how last year ended, I think it makes you who you are," Sirianni said.

Now, it's off to try to win just the franchise's second Super Bowl.

"That's pretty dope," Sirianni said. "That's all my focus is on."

### Hurts and Sirianni

Perhaps a sign their rapport this season has turned more cohesive than taxing, Sirianni insisted Hurts was joking when the QB quipped after the NFC title game that he had been freed from the offense's "straitjacket."

Hurts had six wins this season when he threw for less than 200 yards passing before he threw for 246 yards and accounted for four touchdowns in the NFC championship game win over Washington.

"We've been winning a couple different ways this year. I think he was just having fun after the game," Sirianni said. "I know this, and he's said this plenty of times: He doesn't care how we win. I don't care how we win, as long as we win. We do everything we can do to be able to win."

The No. 1 storyline in training camp this season was just how thorny was Hurts and Sirianni's relationship last season and would any issues carry over into this one?

Hurts offered a lukewarm endorsement of Sirianni in the aftermath of the playoff loss at Tampa Bay.

He said days later his tepid response was only because he was caught off guard by questions about Sirianni's job status.

"We've been through a lot together, right? A lot of wins, some down times," Sirianni said this week. "That's what kind of forges relationships."

While some of the best Super Bowl winners in history have come with strained relationships between a QB and coach, Hurts has backed Sirianni publicly this season — even if it wasn't always a rousing endorsement. They are, through it all, only the first coach/QB pair in franchise history to make two Super Bowls.

"He's done a great job," Hurts said.

### The coordinators

One of the most distressing signs the Eagles were in free fall mode last season with no way out came when Sirianni made former Lions coach Matt Patricia the defensive play-caller and essentially stripped defensive coordinator Sean Desai of any true responsibility.

Desai and Patricia were jettisoned in the offseason, as was offen-

ceptions and with his passer rating dropping to 89.1 from 101.5.

The new guys couldn't be better.

Offensive coordinator Kellen Moore assumed play-calling responsibilities and has been one of the hottest head coaching candidates in the NFL.

The Eagles jumped on hiring 66-year-old Vic Fangio to run the defense and he's made it the top-rated one in the league.

The defense has allowed 10, 22 and 23 points and has 10 takeaways — including 21 points off three fumble recoveries against the Commanders — in the postseason.

"The players have to play well to play great defense, so it's a combination of what Vic does and how he motivates the guys to get them to play to the highest level that they can," Sirianni said. "Just got a ton of respect for him and sure glad he's here."

A former backup QB who played behind Dak Prescott with Dallas in 2017 before becoming his position coach the next year, Moore directed a Philadelphia offense that featured Barkley as the ninth running back in NFL history to rush for 2,000 yards in the regular season.

"There are different things that we've been doing that have really helped us. There are some things that are similar to what we've done in the past because we've been good at those things," Sirianni said. "And then there are things that are new to both what we've done and Kellen's system as well. Kellen's done a phenomenal job of handling all those things, putting our offense in positions that we've been successful in."

### Barkley arrives

Former Eagles running back Miles Sanders ran for a solid 1,269 yards in the 2022 Super Bowl season and Kenneth Gainwell was — and still is — a serviceable backup.

Hurts was the team's leading rusher with 70 yards in the Super Bowl and the Eagles had just 115 yards rushing overall.

The Eagles seem like a whole new franchise at times with Saquon Barkley.

Barkley is near the top of the short list of all-time great Philadelphia sports free-agent signings.

He ran for 2,005 yards, rips off 60-yard scoring runs with the ease of a Joel Embiid layup and has turned the offense into its most elite dual threat since the halcyon days of Donovan McNabb and Terrell Owens.

The Eagles aren't going to have a chance at beating the Chiefs if Barkley isn't at his

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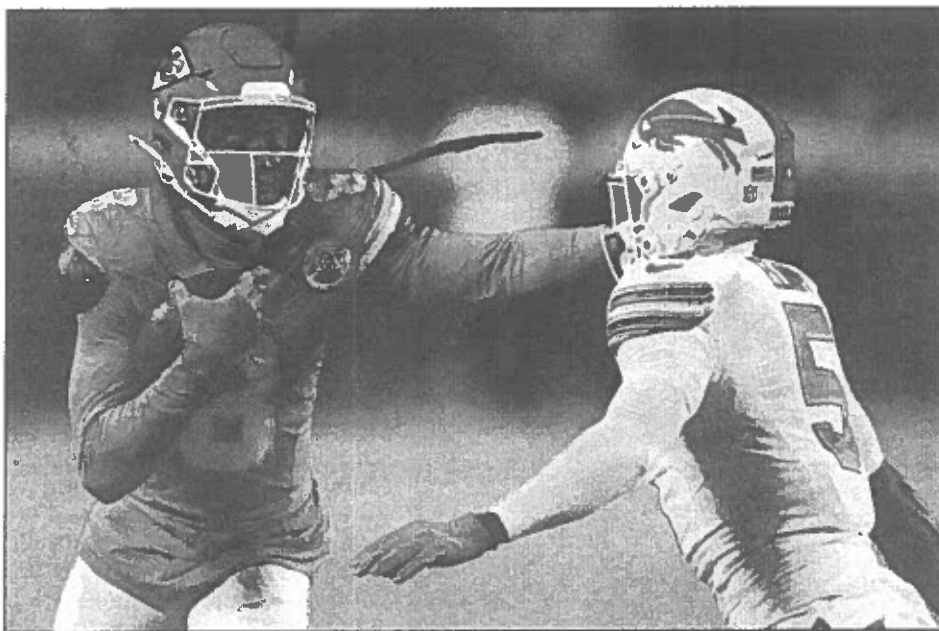
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**KANSAS CITY** Chiefs wide receiver DeAndre Hopkins (8) runs with the ball past Buffalo Bills cornerback Kaiir Elam (5) during the first half of the AFC Championship NFL football game, Sunday, Jan. 26, 2025, in Kansas City, Mo.

AP Photo

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They might as well start scheduling these February business trips.

But for most players, including Hopkins, making it is akin to a crowning achievement, a moment they worked for their entire career. In his case, that meant 178 regular-season games and eight more in the playoffs. His combined production has meant more than 1,000 catches and 13,000 yards, or roughly 7 1/2 miles worth of receptions. And it meant many wins, but just as many losses.

So it was quite the career lifeline for Hopkins when the Chiefs, who had lost Brown and Rashee Rice to injuries, asked the Titans about a trade. He joined a franchise with a championship pedigree from a team that finished 3-14 this past season.

"To get traded and try to learn the playbook overnight, it was tough. But this organization and these coaches, they're here for a reason, to get guys to be their best," Hopkins said. "I never went anywhere where they were talking about the Super Bowl."

Hunt joined the Chiefs under similar circumstances: They needed a running back after Isiah Pacheco got hurt.

He was sitting around at home when it happened, still recovering from a core muscle surgery that had scared many teams off from

signing him this season. Hunt picked up the phone and called Andy Reid, who had coached him in Kansas City — before off-the-field issues led to Hunt's release — and who had stayed in contact with him over the years.

"He just said he wanted to be there," Reid recalled. "He's got a good heart, even when he went through his deal. He has a good heart, and I had confidence he could jump in and help us, and I knew he wanted to redeem himself amongst the community."

Hunt immediately became the lead running back for Kansas City, picking up hard yards every time he touched the ball. When Pacheco returned from his injury, it quickly became apparent that Hunt was still the more productive of the two, and it showed in an AFC title win over Buffalo last week. Hunt ran 17 times for 64 yards and a touchdown.

Now, he's headed to his first Super Bowl after playing more than 100 regular-season games.

"It's always special to come full circle," Chiefs general manager Brett Veach said, "and to see the way he's grown and developed on and off the field is great. He's a phenomenal football player and I'm blessed that it worked out and he's back here."

Brown is likewise chasing his first Super Bowl ring, though his path to this point was a bit differ-

ent.

The fleet-footed yet injury-prone wide receiver signed a one-year deal with Kansas City prior to the season, hoping to be the No. 1 option for Patrick Mahomes on a team chasing a historic Super Bowl title.

Instead, on the very first play of the preseason, he sustained a shoulder injury that many thought would end Brown's season.

The Chiefs held out hope that he might return, though, and his rehab by November was ahead of schedule. Brown finally got on the field in December and has become a part of a wide receiver group that may be the best Kansas City has had in years.

Just like Hopkins and Hunt, Brown now finds himself playing for a championship on the biggest stage in the game.

"Just seeing Kareem standing there going, 'Wow, this is unbelievable,' or D.J. jumping up and down, who's been in this league a while and been through a few things, or DeAndre — he had a smile on his face, it was a mile wide," Reid said. "I mean, all those things, (Samaje) Perine goes and helps seals the (AFC title) for us — a new addition. All that stuff is great. That's why you do this, that's why you do this as a coach. To get to see those guys that have achieved like they've achieved here."

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A handful of swimmers — whose sport is heavy with walk-ons and is expected to endure heavy roster losses — wrote to Wilken. One parent said her son, William Woodall, had been cut from Utah's team.

"William would have chosen a different education path" had he not chosen to swim at Utah, wrote his mother, De Ann Woodall-Watson.

complain to the NCAA."

The NCAA says the roster limits are part of a broader strategy that includes schools offering core guarantees — better health care and other benefits, along with increased scholarship opportunities and protections for athletes who receive them.

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## Oak Glen, Dragons Win OVAC Duals

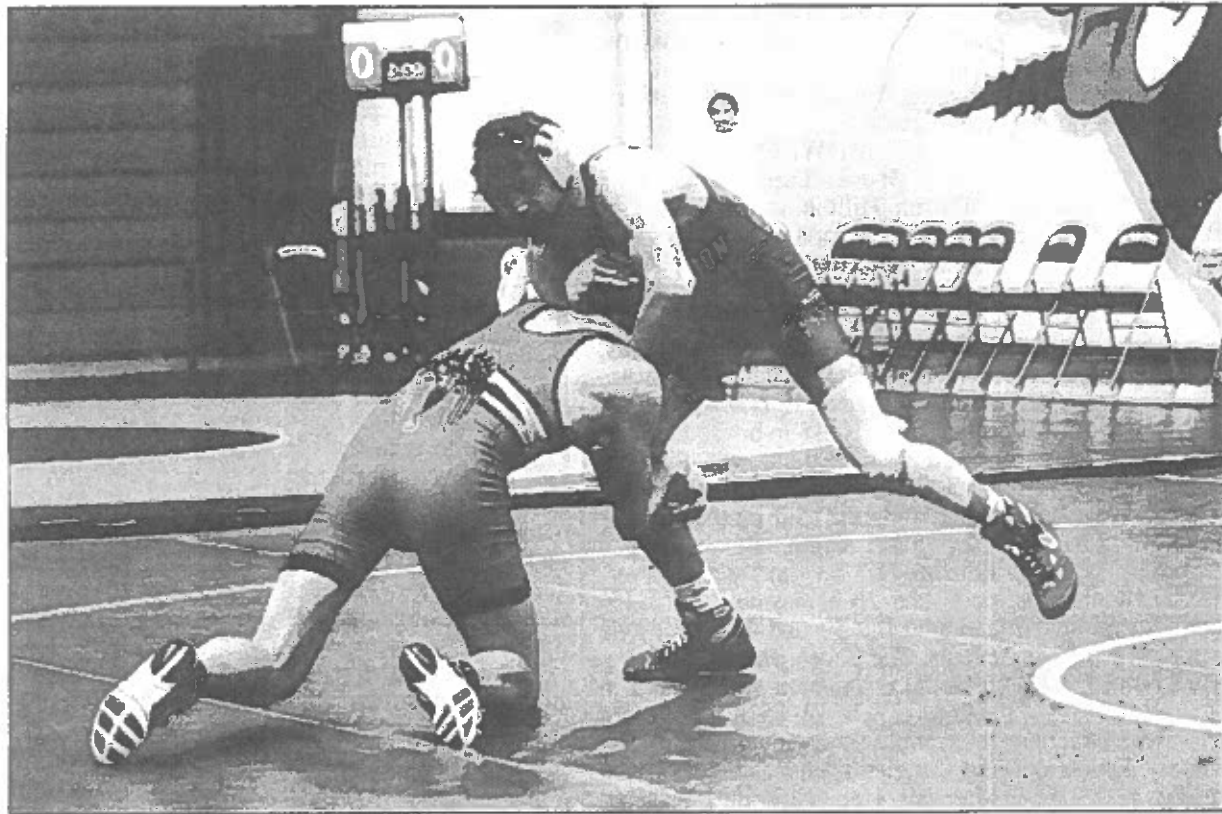


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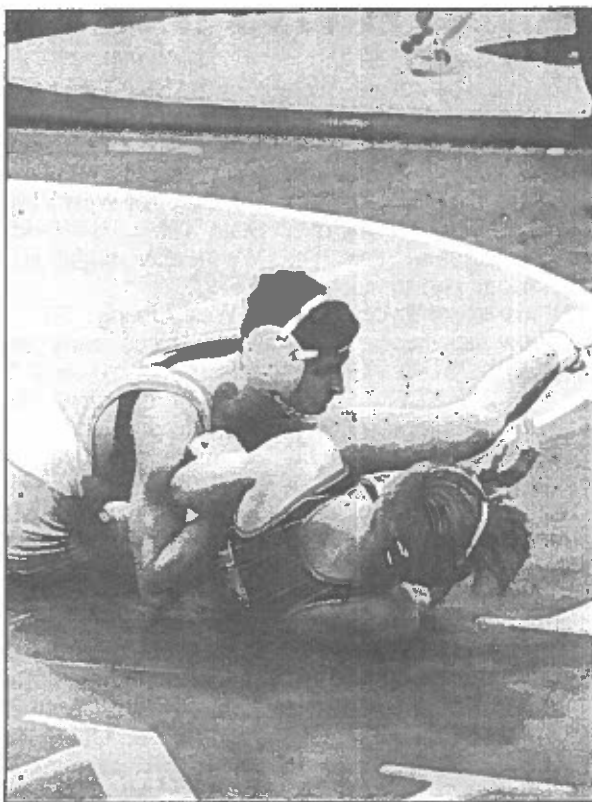


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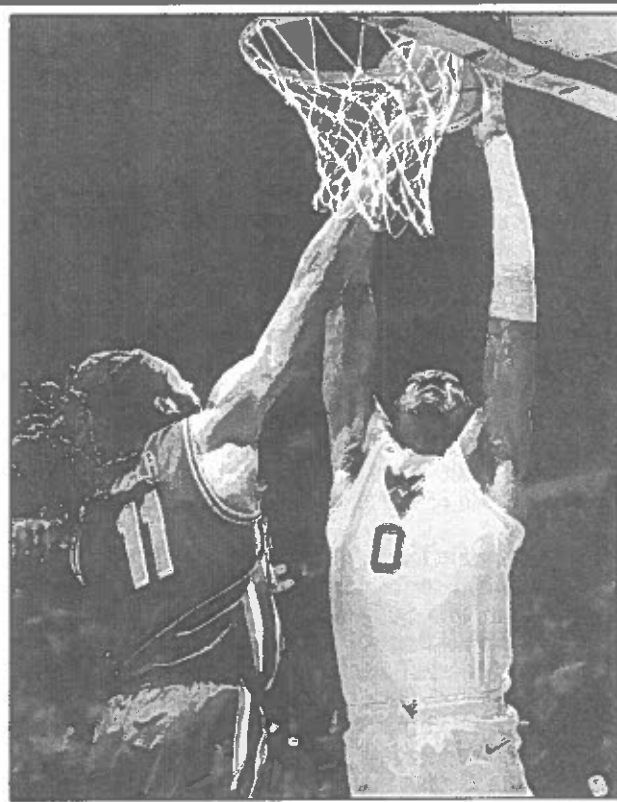
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## Big Red Gets Back On Track With Win vs. Patriots

By ANDREW GRIMM  
For The Intelligencer

STEUBENVILLE - Coming off its first loss since opening night less than 24 hours prior and off to a slow start against Wheeling Park on Wednesday, Big Red head coach Mike Haney was hoping to see his team get going.



AP Photo

West Virginia center Eduardo Andre (0) is defended by Houston forward Joseph Tugler (11) during the first half of an NCAA college basketball game, Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2025, in Morgantown, W.Va.

## Houston A Problem For Mountaineers

BY JUSTIN JACKSON  
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MORGANTOWN -

It's official. West Virginia has a big problem with Houston.

More to the point, the Mountaineers - much like everyone else in the country - haven't solved the Cougars defense.

The sixth-ranked Cougars shined in that part of the game Wednesday night inside the Coliseum, holding WVU to its lowest scoring total in nearly five years on their way to a 63-49 victory.

"The last eight years, that's probably what we've been known for," Houston coach Kelvin Sampson said. "This team is a little bit better offensively than some of the other teams, but we've had some really good defensive teams."

The Mountaineers (13-7, 4-5 Big 12) have to be a believer. In two games this season against Houston (17-3, 9-0), WVU hasn't scored more than 54 points.

It goes further than that.

No WVU player reached double figures in scoring on Wednesday. WVU leading scorer Javon Small didn't even get off his first shot of the game until it was nine minutes old. He didn't score his first basket until nearly 10 minutes had passed.

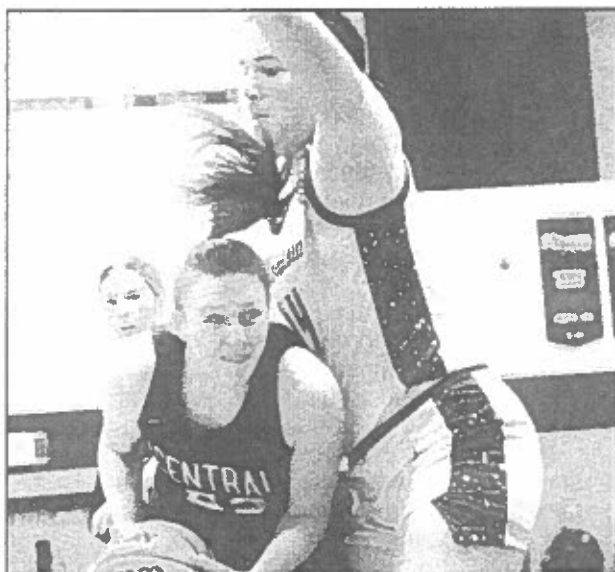
"Defensively, I mean they're just well-connected. They're very aggressive," WVU head coach Darian DeVries said. "They actually, tonight, were less aggressive in trapping ball screens, because they wanted to switch a little bit more to take away some of our pick and pops that Amani (Hansberry) had hurt them at their place with."

"But they do a great job. They really load to the ball. It's hard to really crack them and not many teams have."

Houston's defense led to an early 13-3 run to begin the game and a 39-19 lead at halftime.

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## Maroon Knights Dig Deep For 54-51 Road Win vs. Williamstown Yellowjackets



Bruins. Anna Kain led St. Clairsville with 16 points. Brooke was led by Hope Bowman with a dozen.

**BOYS BASKETBALL**  
**John Marshall 66, Magnolia 53**  
**MOUNDSVILLE** - The Monarchs repelled the visiting Blue Eagles on Wednesday, despite a torrid shooting display by the visitors. Kingston Christen made three 3-pointers on his way to 17 points and Hunter Oates made four 3-pointers on his way to 14 points. Dubale Greathouse led Magnolia with 18.

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"That's on the players," WVU forward Toby Okani said. "The coaches had us prepared. They put together a good game plan. It's on us to go out there and execute. We didn't do that."

There came a push in the second half, but it was not enough to keep WVU from dropping its third consecutive contest with a road game at Cincinnati on the horizon on Sunday.

WVU began the second half on a 14-2 run, and got as close as five points from the lead twice.

"The reason we got back into the game; I felt like our guys played defensively at a level that they're capable of," DeVries said. "For us, when we're good, it's our defense."

Those opportunities to draw closer only brought frustration, especially when points were so hard to come by.

WVU went 4 of 9 from the foul line and missed three front ends of a one-and-one. Jonathan Powell's miss from the line came with WVU trailing 49-44 with seven minutes remaining, when two free throws could have cut the lead to three points.

"I think they cut it to five and had a chance to cut it to three. They had someone at the free throw line,

MORGANTOWN - The Hawks held off the Patriots on Bakers' Ridge in their Tuesday outing.

Josh Huffman led all scorers with 20 points for Park, followed by Jay Bordas with 11.

Luke Byrer scored 14 for the Hawks and Zach Demidovich scored 13.

**GIRLS BASKETBALL**  
**Cameron 52, Valley 30**

**PINE GROVE** - The Dragons picked up a road victory against the Lumberjills on Tuesday.

The second quarter was pivotal

Liverpool 110-48 in boys' action as Sebastian Jayakumar won the 100 Breaststroke and the 200 Freestyle. Linsly finished 15-1 on the year.

In girls' action, Linsly topped Edison 103-53 and East Liverpool 115-26 as Jasmine Lourenco captured the 50 and 100 Freestyle events. The Cadets ended at 14-2.

Both Linsly teams will be back in action on Feb. 14-15 at the Eastern Interscholastic Swimming and Diving Championships at Franklin and Marshall University in Lancaster, Pa.

## West Liberty Erupts For 118 Points In Win vs. W.Va. State

West Liberty, W.Va. - The No. 14-ranked West Liberty men's basketball team put on an offensive showcase Wednesday night at the ASRC, rolling to a 118-76 victory over West Virginia State. The dominant performance secured a season sweep of the Yellow Jackets.

### EXPLOSIVE FIRST HALF

The Hilltoppers (16-3, 10-2 MEC) came out firing, pouring in 54 first-half points, fueled by eight three-pointers. They led by as many as 16, but West Virginia State (9-9, 6-6 MEC) managed to keep things within reach, trailing just 54-43 at halftime.

### SECOND HALF SURGE

Leading 66-55 early in the second half, West Liberty erased all doubt with a 14-1 run, surging to an 80-56 advantage with 10:16 left. From there, the Hilltoppers continued to pour it on, knocking down eight more three-pointers to finish with 16 for the game.

### STANDOUT PERFORMANCES

Kameron Tinsley - 22 points (6 three-pointers), 9 rebounds

JJ Harper - 22 points, 10 rebounds (double-double)

Dante Spadafora - 18 points

Kyler D'Augustino - 15 points

### WHAT'S NEXT?

West Liberty will look to keep the momentum rolling as they travel to Charleston on Saturday for a 7:30 p.m. matchup.

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East Liverpool took a 15-6 lead on the strength of three technical falls by Kyle Ingram (106), Tristan Eckles (120) and Wyatt McCune (126). Oak Glen's lone win in the first four bouts was a forfeit to Aiden Anderson (113).

Wyatt Wolanski (132) ignited a four-match win streak with a decision as the Golden Bears bolted to a 26-15 advantage. Isaac Cline (144), Logan Graham (150) and

Hayden Lamb (157) followed with pin, pin and technical fall, respectively.

The Potters stayed close when Jayden Shaw (157) notched a technical fall and Derion Carnes earned a 15-10 decision, setting the stage for the final dramatics.

East Liverpool held off Indian Creek, 39-27. The Redskins then fell to Weir, 38-31, in the third-place match.

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The West Liberty University women's basketball team secured a regular-season sweep of West Virginia State with a 76-69 victory Wednesday night at the ASRC.

West Liberty (7-12, 5-7 MEC) faced early struggles, shooting 0-for-8 from three in the first quarter while leading scorer Bailee Smith picked up three quick fouls. The Yellow Jackets (8-10, 4-8 MEC) capitalized, jumping out to a 16-7 lead after the first ten minutes.

The second quarter saw a momentum shift, as the Hilltoppers found their rhythm from beyond the arc. Olivia Baker caught fire, draining four three-pointers, leading a 22-10 WLU run that put the Toppers ahead 29-26 at halftime. Baker finished the half with 12 points.

West Liberty carried the hot shooting into the third quarter, opening on an 8-2 surge before an Anna Lucarelli three-pointer extended the lead to 40-28. The Hilltoppers continued to pour it on, outscoring WVSU 31-14 in the quarter to take a commanding 60-40 lead heading into the final frame.

West Virginia State didn't go down quietly, rallying in the fourth quarter to cut the deficit to just three points (72-69) with 17.3 seconds remaining. However, clutch free throws from Bailee Smith and Bailey Beckstedt sealed the win for West Liberty.

we told the girls, you have to take the ball and go. Even when they make it, which they only made one shot in the second quarter, you have to get out and go. And that started working very well for us."

The atmosphere inside Williamstown High School had all the makings of a regional contest. When Faith Pickens' last-second attempt from just inside half court hit the front of the rim, The third-ranked Yellow-jackets (11-4) and coach Bunch still felt they have something to say when the regional pairings play out.

Another game with high intensity occurs Friday when Williamstown hosts St. Marys.

"Losing this game is really going to hurt us for that top seed in the region," Bunch said. "I guess it's not out of the question, but I think we made it a lot tougher. I told the girls, even if it doesn't work out, that we aren't the top seed - last year we weren't the top seed and we still ended up at the state tournament and made the final game. So it's not the end of the world."

"We play Wheeling Central tonight, get one day off and play another tough team in St. Marys. That's exactly how the state tournament is going to be if you are lucky to make it."

Williamstown owned the first quarter from the opening tip as Quinn Bunch knocked down a pair of threes as part of her 11 points. Annabelle Haught's bucket with 21 seconds remaining in the opening period gave the Yellowjackets their largest lead at 13-6.

Over the next 11 minutes, Williamstown managed just one field goal and Wheeling Central was executing its run-outs, especially in the second quarter where it made 6-of-9 from the floor and a perfect 2-of-2 from beyond the 3-point arc.

Trailing 34-20 in the second half, Williamstown began its surge which consisted of a 12-4 run and brought the Yellowjackets to within 38-32.

At one juncture, Haught made the second of two free throws then stole the

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"They fly around and they have great split speed, it's tough to simulate that in a walk-through. They have a great team, they're guard oriented and it's a tough match up. Our kids I thought fought in the second half."

"You can't simulate playing teams like this in practice, there aren't many teams on our schedule, outside of Morgantown, that provide the kind of pressure they do, and they have five quality scoring options."

Big Red was led by 18 points and seven rebounds from Aiden Davis against his old team, while Wiggins netted 17 and Will Taylor tallied 10 points and nine rebounds.

Park, which made more 3s (seven) than shots for

and Haught contributed a bucket and Burt made both ends of a two-shot foul to close the deficit to 48-44. After a Heller free throw, pretty much the entire gym could hear Pickens calling for the ball atop the 3-point arc. The senior hit nothing but nylon and the Yellow-jackets now trailed 49-47 with 42 seconds showing on the clock.

Another two Heller free throws were followed by consecutive drives to the bucket for Haught, which tied the game at 51-51 at 23 seconds.

The Maroon Knights didn't waste much time as an open Payton stood on the right baseline. Wide open, she paused momentarily when she received the pass then buried the three at six seconds.

"Payton is a shooter for us," Olejasz said. "The last two teams we played did a really good job of taking her away, so we have been working on figuring out how to get her open."

"We were just in the locker room and she was like, 'Left, right, boom!'"

Wheeling Central took advantage of a dead ball to take its final timeout at six-tenths of a second and Haught in charge of the inbounds pass at half-court.

Bunch set a pick on Pickens' defender and Pickens rolled to the center of the court with Payton closely guarding. The shot was on line, but hit the front of the rim as time expired.

"I thought I was going to airball it," Pickens said. "Honestly, a game like tonight gives us confidence. We know we didn't play our best game and there's always room for improvement."

"So this leaves a little chip on our shoulder for Friday's game because that is another big game."

Earlier in the game, Pickens surpassed 1,000 rebounds for her career to go with her 1,000-plus points as a Yellowjacket.

"The 1,000 rebound - it's a goal I've looked for and aimed for since my freshman year," Pickens said. "It's something that very few people here have done here. It's just really special. It's a job that I know I have to do for my team."

14 and a pair of triples from Josh Huffman. Jay Bordas pulled down seven rebounds, though Big Red nearly doubled-up the Patriots (30-16) on the boards.

"We wish Steubenville nothing but the best the rest of the way," Jebbia said. "Aiden Davis was a great player for us, he led us to two state tournaments. We wish him the best and them the best moving forward."

"Hopefully this game will help us moving forward as we've got some more even games coming up on our schedule after being an underdog a few in a row here."

### UP NEXT

Wheeling Park: Returns home to host Wheeling Park on Friday night.

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• Game is scheduled for Saturday, July 19 at Wheeling Island Stadium

By KIM NORTH  
Staff Writer

ST. CLAIRSVILLE — The coaching staffs for the 79th annual OVAC Rudy Mumley All-Star Football Game have been announced.

Ohio will be led by Union Local and head coach Bernie Thompson, while Tim Brown and Cameron

will head up West Virginia. Neither are strangers to the star-studded game, which is scheduled for Saturday, July 19 at Wheeling Island Stadium.

Thompson will be making his third appearance in the mid-summer classic as he served as a team captain for the Buckeye State in 2010 and then was a member of Bruce Stiles' Union Local staff as an assistant eight years later.

"This is a very important game. It's a big game for the entire Ohio Valley. It's very special," Thompson said. "I'm just honored to be a part of it."

Thompson and his staff led Union Local to a school-record

nine victories in 2024 and a road upset of Nelsonville-York in the first round of the Division V, Region 19 playoffs.

"It means that all the hard work we've put in over the past few years is paying off and people are starting to take notice," he said. "I'm extremely grateful to have a group of guys around me that work extremely hard. A couple of years ago we were 0-10, and to now have a season that we had, win nine games and make it to the second round of the playoffs, it was truly special."

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BERNIE THOMPSON  
UNION LOCAL



TIM BROWN  
CAMERON

# Barnesville, Steubenville defend OVAC dual titles

• Barnesville continues dominance in OVAC dual meets

By KIM NORTH  
Staff Writer

MOUNDSVILLE — The names on the bout sheets may change but the results are mostly the same.

For the fourth consecutive season, Barnesville has flexed its muscles at the OVAC Bill Hinegardner Class 3A Dual Meet Championships. The top-seeded Shamrocks used its overall experience in gaining a 57-24 decision over No. 2 Union Local in a battle of talented western Belmont County squads. The Green Machine rolled by No. 4 Martins Ferry, 62-12, in the semifinals.

"We knew we could get a couple of wins here and there but that they were going to get a couple, too," Barnesville head coach Jayson Stephen said. "There were a couple in between that we thought we should get, and we did. We didn't wrestle outstanding, but it was good to get that out of the way now."

The Jets flew past short-handed No. 3 Wheeling Central, 60-17, in their semifinal match. However, they made a couple

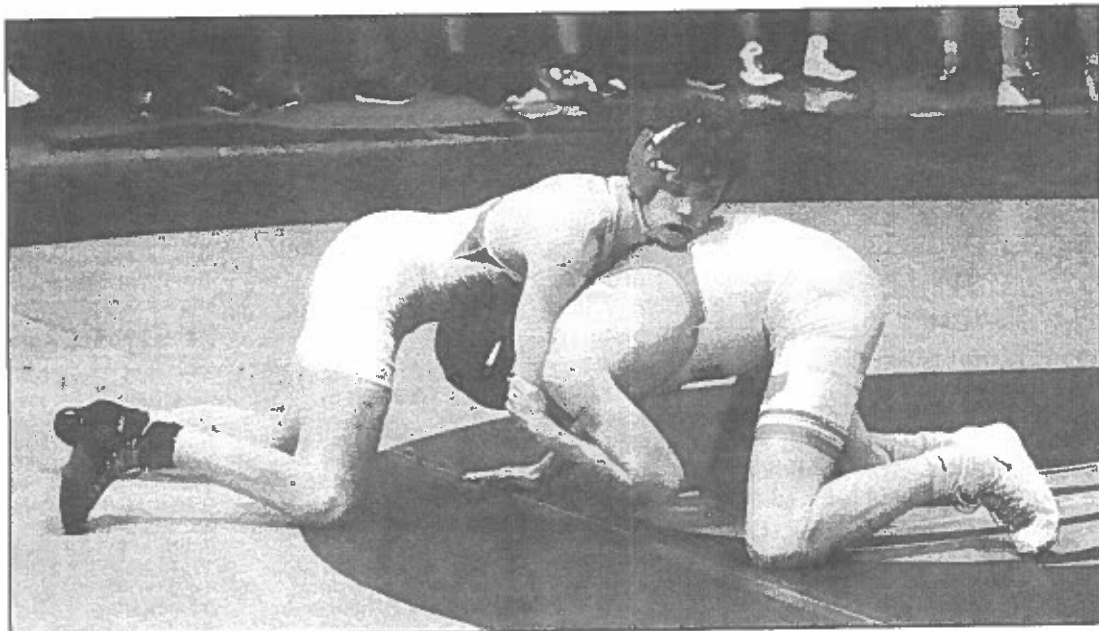


Photo by KIM NORTH

**BARNESVILLE'S LAYDEN** Loring, left battles with Union Local's Mason Kocher at 132 pounds Thursday night during the OVAC Bill Hinegardner Class 3A Dual Meet Championships inside the John Marshall Field House in Moundsville. Loring won by technical fall to jump-start the Shamrocks to their fourth consecutive title.

of mistakes during the middle-weight bouts that, according to head coach Nate Starkey, cost them.

"Stupid errors. There were a couple of matches there where

we gave our arms up in certain situations that led to us getting pinned," Starkey explained. "You can't give up pins in duals and expect to win. There were swing matches in there that went

their way. It was a close match and we were giving up pins. You just can't do that."

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## • Steubenville Big Red goes back-to-back in Class 5A

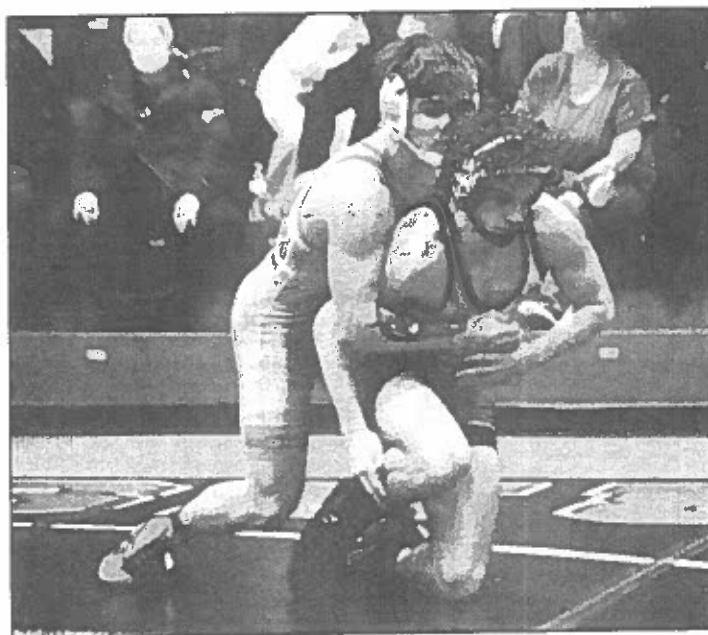
By KIM NORTH  
Staff Writer

MOUNDSVILLE — Steubenville made it back-to-back OVAC Bill Hinegardner Class 5A Dual Meet Championships Thursday night.

Big Red, the No. 2 seed, defeated No. 3 John Marshall, 46-20, in the semifinals before taking down top-seeded Wheeling Park, 53-23, in the championship match. Steubenville also downed Wheeling Park in last year's final.

"It feels good to go back-to-back. I'm proud of our team," Steubenville head coach Lucas Huffman said. "We've been battling some injuries and sickness this week. Our kids battled through some adversity and I'm very proud of them for that."

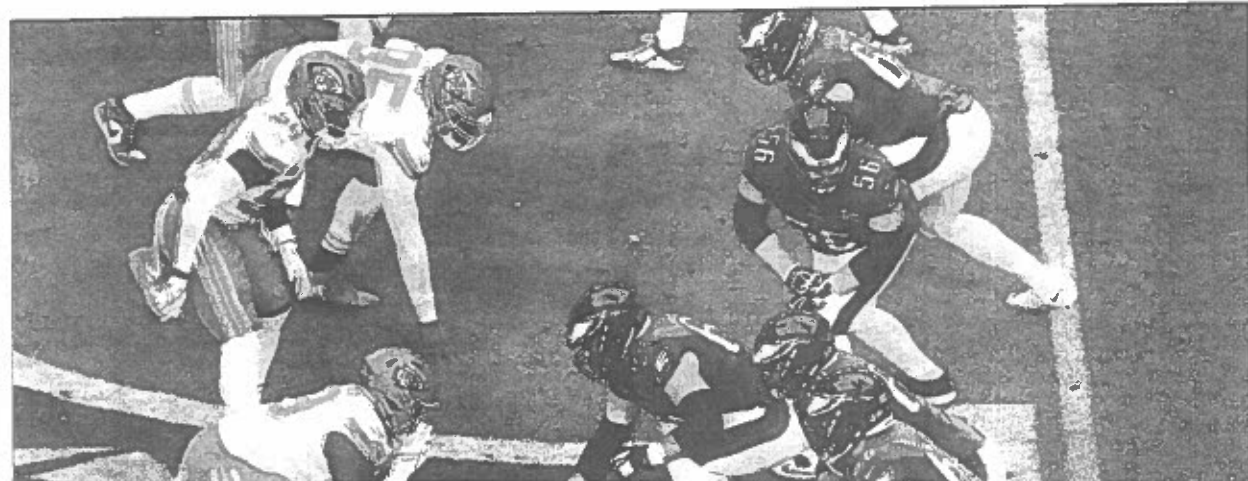
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**WHEELING PARK'S** Isaac Sands had a grip on Steubenville's Ethan Llewellyn during their 165-pound bout during the OVAC Bill Hinegardner Class 5A Dual Meet Championships Thursday night inside the John Marshall Field House in Moundsville. Sands posted a 16-9 decision, but Big Red won the title, 53-23.

Photo by KIM NORTH

## The Chiefs will seek another Super Bowl sweep in a title game rematch against the Eagles



(AP) — Patrick Mahomes and the Kansas City Chiefs keep finding themselves on one side of a Super Bowl rematch.

A year after beating the San Francisco 49ers for the second time in five seasons in the NFL's championship game, Mahomes and the Chiefs will square off against the Philadelphia Eagles for the second Super Bowl in the past three seasons.

Kansas City won the first meeting 38-35 in Glendale, Arizona, and will try to pull off another Super Bowl sweep on Feb. 9 in New Orleans.

"This is a great football team (that) we're playing," Mahomes said. "They're great on offense, they're great on defense and special teams. We played them in a close Super Bowl a couple years ago, but they've added players and got even better, so it'll take our best football to win."

54-20 after three.

**BOYS BASKETBALL**  
**Valley 76, Cameron 48**

**CAMERON** — The Lumberjacks surged in the second quarter to pull away from the Dragons.

Ahead 22-14 after the first quarter, Valley lurched ahead 38-22 going into the locker rooms.

Gavin Derby put in 25 while Trevor Stackpole had 23 for the Lumberjacks. Landen Jerico scored 11.

Cameron was led by 19 points from Mason Scott and 10 from Brayden Ma-

trioti topped the Red Riders 2,341 to 1,917. Alden Stauver added games 203 and 191 for a 394 series.

**(Late Wednesday)**  
**BOWLING**  
**Brooke Swept by East Liverpool Boys**

Darian Hilton had games of 173 and 167 for a 340 series but the Bruins fell to the Potteqrs 2,153 to 1,769.

**Girls**

Kaylee Tuttle rolled a 290 series with 147 and 143 games but the Bruins were out rolled 2,094 to 1,373.

## • Steubenville

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In the championship dual, Steubenville bolted to an 18-0 lead on the strength of a pin by Monte Guntrum (106) and back-to-back forfeits awarded to Cole Harvey (113) and Rowan Burnett (120).

The Patriots' Carington Polus (126) ended up pinning Kasyn Berkey in a back-and-forth bout to get Wheeling Park on the board, but Camden Greiner (132) and Cooper Smith (144) sandwiched forfeit victo-

ries around an overtime decision by the Patriots' Jacob Carman (138) for a 30-9 advantage.

The forfeits were part of five that Wheeling Park had in its injury-depleted lineup.

"I am very pleased with our performance," Wheeling Park head coach Danny Doyle said. "It's the same story as our entire season. We were short-handed but we did have a couple of come-from-behind wins. That was good."

"We had some kids step in the line up and

some kids step up tonight, but, overall, I'm happy with the way we wrestled as a team," Huffman added. "I think tonight can help us make another run in the OHSWCA State Duals which begin on Saturday at our place."

Jack Lowe (150) kept the Patriots hopes alive with a technical fall but Steubenville responded with a technical fall by Purdue University-bound Brody Saccoccia as the margin remained at 35-14.

Wheeling Park's Isaac Sands (165) earned a 16-9 decision to make it 35-17 but the fourth forfeit to Landon Crosier (175) sealed the deal.

Jameson Maynard (190) recorded a first-period pin but victories from Nolan Blackburn (215) and Beau Hudson (285) put the finishing touches on.

Wheeling Park defeated Brooke, 46-20, in the semifinals. The Bruins fell to the Monarchs, 44-23, in the third-place match.

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**11 p.m.**  
**MLBN** — Caribbean Series: Puerto Rico vs. Mexico, Round Robin, Mexicali, Mexico

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S)**  
**5 p.m.**  
**ESPN2** — Yale at Princeton  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**FS1** — Butler at Georgetown  
**7 p.m.**  
**CBSSN** — Akron at Kent St.  
**ESPN2** — Dayton at Saint Louis

**8 p.m.**  
**FOX** — Indiana at Purdue  
**9 p.m.**  
**ESPNU** — Siena at Marist

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S)**  
**7 p.m.**  
**ESPNU** — Columbia at Harvard  
**8:30 p.m.**  
**FS1** — Arizona at Utah

**COLLEGE GYMNASICS (WOMEN'S)**  
**7 p.m.**  
**SECN** — Alabama at Georgia  
**8:30 p.m.**  
**SECN** — Missouri at LSU  
**9 p.m.**  
**ESPN2** — Arkansas at Oklahoma

**COLLEGE WRESTLING**  
**7 p.m.**  
**BTN** — Iowa at Penn St.  
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**BTN** — Wisconsin at Nebraska

**GOLF**  
**11:30 a.m.**  
**GOLF** — PGA Tour: The HGV Tournament of Champions, Second Round, Lake Nona Golf Course, Orlando, Fla.

**3 p.m.**  
**GOLF** — PGA Tour: The AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-AM, Second Round, Pebble Beach Golf Links, Pebble Beach, Calif.

**NBA BASKETBALL**  
**7:40 p.m.**  
**ESPN** — Denver at Philadelphia  
**10:05 p.m.**  
**ESPN** — Phoenix at Golden State

**NHL HOCKEY**  
**7 p.m.**  
**NHLN** — Nashville at Buffalo

**TENNIS**  
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**TENNIS** — Davis Cup Qualifiers: USA v. Taiwan, Serbia v. Denmark; Montpellier-ATP, Linz-WTA, Singapore-WTA Quarterfinals

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**Tuesday, Feb. 4**  
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**GIRLS BASKETBALL**  
**Bellaire 54, River 33**  
**RIVER** — Hobbs 0 2-2 2; C. Trifinoff 1 0-0 2; Maddy 2 0-0 4; Isaly 0 1-2 1; Hagan 6 4-4 18; B. Trifonoff 0 0-2 0; Jones 0 0-0 0; Fox 3 0-0 6; Totaled: 12 7-10 33. **BELLAIRE** — Kendle 0 0-0 0; Edgar 2 0-0 6; Harveth 6 5-6 19; Mason 1 1-2 3; Morgan 7 1-2 17; O'Grady 3 0-0 6; Mayer 0 0-0 0; Hines 1 0-0 3; Kanyuch 0 0-0 0; Totals: 20 7-10 54

**Three-point goals:** River 2 (Hagan 2), Bellaire 7 (Harveth 2, Edgar 2, Morgan 2, Hines)

**Cameron 65, Valley 39**  
**VALLEY** — Dallison 2 5-7 11; Dawson 6 2-2 16; Pittman 1 0-4 2; Derby 1 3-6 5; A. Highley 1 2-2 5; Totals 11 12-21 39. **CAMERON** — Bertram 1 1-2 3; A. Thomas 1 0-0 2; Schrack 6 2-4 14; Neely 6 2-4 14; Littleton 5 1-2 11; K. Thomas 4 0-0 10; Scott 1 0-0 2; Marongiu 2 0-0 4; Dishman 1 0-0 2; Dobbs 1 1-2 3; Totals 28 7-10 65

**Three-point goals:** Valley 5 (Dallison 2, Dawson 2, A. Highley), Cameron 2 (K. Thomas 2).

**Barnesville 49, St. Clairsville 11**  
**ST. CLAIRSVILLE** — Powell 0 0-0 0; Kyre 1 0-0 2; Morgan 1 2-4 4; Padilla 0 0-0 0; Sall 0 2-2 2; Monteroso 1 0-0 3; Totals: 3 4-6 11. **BARNESVILLE** — Leasure 1 4-6 6; Stephen 2 1-1 5; Fuchs 0 0-0 0; Tyson 6 1-2 14; Fritter 1 0-0 2; Kiser 1 0-0 2; Loudin 3 3-4 9; Oliver 1 1-2 3; Welch 4 0-0 8; Totals: 19 10-15 49

**Three-point goals:** St. Clairsville 1 (Monteroso), Barnesville 1 (Tyson)

**BOYS BASKETBALL**  
**Valley 76, Cameron 48**  
**VALLEY** — Martin 1 0-1 2; Wichterman 1 0-2 2; T. Stackpole 8 3-3 23; Derby 10 1-2 25; C. Stackpole 1 0-0 2; Jerico 5 0-0 11; Kinkade 1 0-0 2; Rogers 2 2-2 6; Partridge 1 0-0 3; Totals 30 6-10 76. **CAMERON** — McCauley 1 0-0 2; Frye 3 1-3 9; Scott 6 6-7 19; Magers 3 0-2 6; Paczewski 1 0-0 2; Mahon 4 0-0 10; Totals 18 7-12 48

**Three-point goals:** Valley 10 (Stackpole 4, Derby 4, Jerico, Partridge), Cameron 5 (Frye 2, Mahon 2, Cameron).

**NHL**

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**Cols. Franklin Hts. 67, Cols. Patriot Prep 45**  
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# Steubenville, Barnesville Defend OVAC Wrestling Dual Meet Titles

## •Shamrocks Are Victorious For Fourth Straight Year

By KIM NORTH  
Staff Writer

MOUNDSVILLE

The names on the bout sheets may change but the results are mostly the same.

For the fourth consecutive season, Barnesville has flexed its muscles at the OVAC Bill Hinegardner Class 3A Dual Meet Championships. The top-seeded Shamrocks used its overall experience in gaining a 57-24 decision over No. 2 Union Local in a battle of talented western Belmont County squads. The Green Machine rolled by No. 4 Martins Ferry, 62-12, in the semifinals.

"We knew we could get a couple of wins here and there but that they were going to get a couple, too," Barnesville head coach Jayson Stephen said. "There were a couple in between that we thought we should get, and we did. We didn't wrestle outstanding, but it was good to get that out of the way now."

The Jets flew past short-handed No. 3 Wheeling Central, 60-17, in their semifinal match. However, they made a couple of mistakes during the middleweight bouts that, according to head

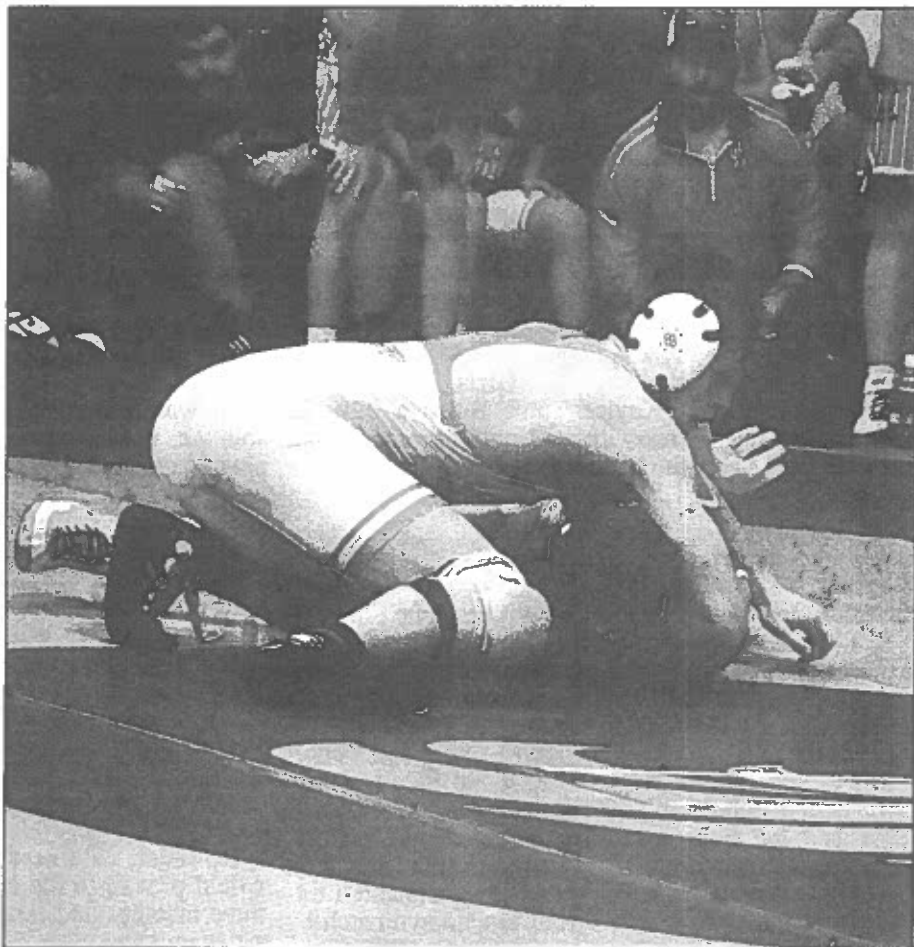


Photo by Kim North

Union Local's Gunnar Gossett controls Barnesville's Eli Messenger during their 150-pound bout Thursday night during the OVAC Bill Hinegardner Class 3A Dual Meet Championships inside the John Marshall Field House in Moundsville. Gossett recorded a pin, but the Shamrocks won their fourth consecutive title.

coach Nate Starkey, cost them.

"Stupid errors. There were a couple of matches there where we gave our

arms up in certain situations that led to us getting pinned," Starkey explained. "You can't give up pins in duals and ex-

pect to win. There were swing matches in there that went their way.

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## •Big Red Goes Back-To-Back In Class 5A

By KIM NORTH  
Staff Writer

MOUNDSVILLE

Steubenville made it back-to-back OVAC Bill Hinegardner Class 5A Dual Meet Championships Thursday night.

Big Red, the No. 2 seed, defeated No. 3 John Marshall, 46-20, in the semifinals before taking down top-seeded Wheeling Park, 53-23, in the championship match. Steubenville also downed Wheeling Park in last year's final.

"It feels good to go back-to-back. I'm proud of our team," Steubenville head coach Lucas Huffman said. "We've been battling some injuries and sickness this week. Our kids battled through some adversity and I'm very proud of them for that."

In the championship dual, Steubenville bolted to an 18-0 lead on the strength of a pin by Monte Guntrum (106) and back-to-back forfeits awarded to Cole Harvey (113) and Rowan Burnett (120).

The Patriots' Carington Polus (126) ended up pinning Kasyn Berkeley in a back-and-forth bout to get Wheeling Park on the board, but Camden Greiner (132)

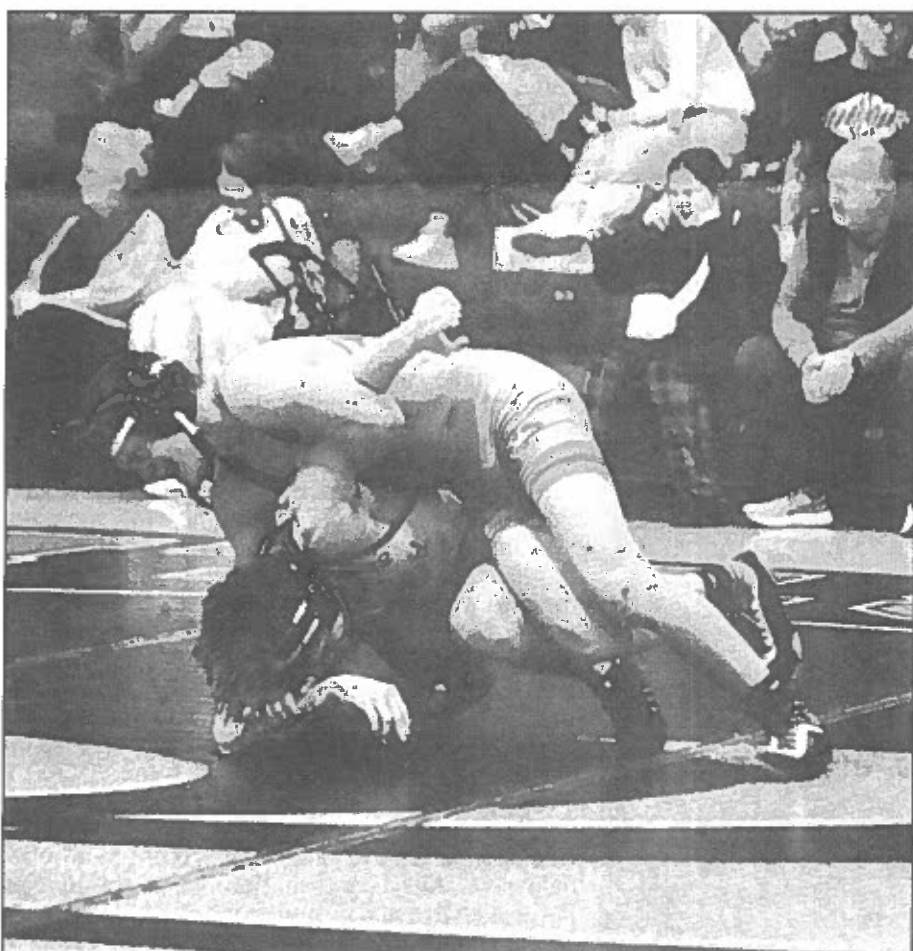


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Wheeling Park's Jacob Carman tries to turn Steubenville's Julius Mullins in their 138-pound bout during the OVAC Bill Hinegardner Class 5A Dual Meet Championships Thursday night inside the John Marshall Field House in Moundsville. Carman won 14-11 in overtime but Big Red won their second consecutive team title, 53-23.

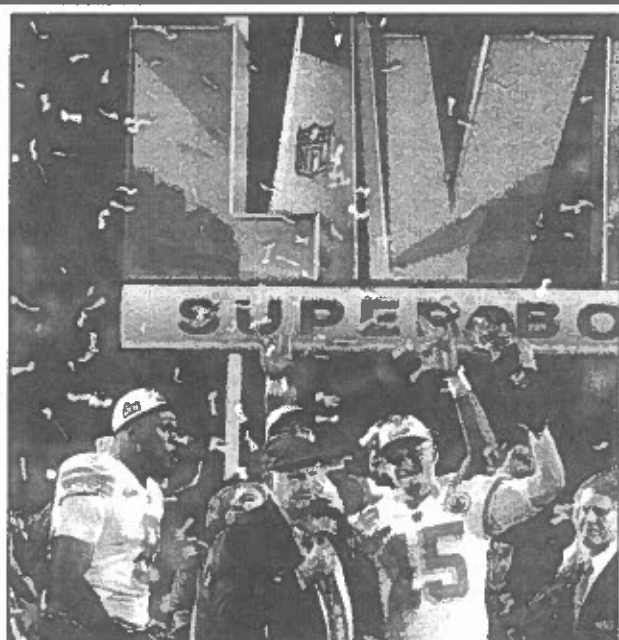
and Cooper Smith (144) sandwiched forfeit victories around an overtime decision by the Patriots' of five that Wheeling

Jacob Carman (138) for a 30-9 advantage.

The forfeits were part of five that Wheeling

Park had in its injury-depleted lineup.

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AP Photo

Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes (15) holds the Vince Lombardi Trophy while talking to Terry Bradshaw following the NFL Super Bowl 57 football game against the Philadelphia Eagles, Sunday, Feb. 12, 2023, in Glendale, Ariz.

## Chiefs Seek Another Sweep In Latest Super Bowl Rematch

By JOSH DUBOW  
AP Pro Football Writer

Patrick Mahomes and the Kansas City Chiefs keep finding themselves on one side of a Super Bowl rematch.

A year after beating the San Francisco 49ers for the second time in five seasons in the NFL's championship game, Mahomes and the Chiefs will square off against the Philadelphia Eagles for the second Super Bowl in the past three seasons.

Kansas City won the first meeting 38-35 in Glendale, Arizona, and will try to pull off another Super Bowl sweep on Feb. 9 in New Orleans.

"This is a great football team (that) we're playing," Mahomes said. "They're great on offense. They're great on defense and special teams. We played them in a close Super Bowl a couple years ago, but they've added players and got even better, so it'll take our best football to win."

More than 40 players who participated in that nail-biter two years ago are projected to be on the field next week including stars like Mahomes, Travis Kelce and Chris Jones for Kansas City and Jalen Hurts, Lane Johnson and A.J. Brown for Philadelphia.

Many played big roles in the last Super Bowl

Hurts rushed for three TDs and threw a 45-yard scoring strike to Brown, while Mahomes threw three TD passes, including one to Kelce. Nick Bolton returned a fumble for a touchdown and Harrison Butker kicked the game-winning field goal with 8 seconds left.

There have only been nine Super Bowl rematches in the previous 58 games, with just four happening in a five-year span before this rematch. The winners of those three rematches were the teams that won the first meeting.

Here's a look at the other times there was a Super Bowl rematch within five seasons of the first meeting:

### CHIEFS VS. 49ERS

Mahomes rallied Kansas City from a 10-point deficit in the fourth quarter for a 31-20 win in Super Bowl 54, with his biggest play being a 44-yard pass on third-and-15 to Tyreek Hill that sparked the comeback.

The 49ers kept it even closer last season in a back-and-forth game that featured three go-ahead scoring drives led by Brock Purdy in the fourth quarter or overtime. But it wasn't enough to topple Mahomes.

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## Darian DeVries Has Been A Great Mechanic, But The WVU Coach Is Out Of Parts

By JUSTIN JACKSON  
For The Intelligencer

MORGANTOWN — It's almost as if Darian DeVries is in charge of the worst auto parts store known to man at the moment.

Don't try and read

back to DeVries being one heck of a mechanic.

He had most of his parts in place in the wins against Gonzaga and Arizona, meaning WVU guard Tucker DeVries was still in the lineup.

Against Kansas and

# Patriots Defeat Visiting Jets; Cameron Builds Momentum vs. Lumberjills

WHEELING - The Wheeling Park Patriots scored a big win over visiting Union Local on Thursday, coming away with a 47-37 triumph.

Alexis Bordas led Park with 20 points, adding four steals. Maggie Hupp scored seven points and pulled down 13 rebounds.

Park won the rebounding battle 39-22 on Thursday, coming down with 23 offensive rebounds.

## CAMERON 65, Valley 39

CAMERON - The Cameron Dragons are rolling into OVAC tournament play after a homestand victory over the Valley Lumberjills on Thursday.

Devan Schrack (14 points, seven rebounds) and Maci Neely (14 points, five rebounds) finished with team-highs, while Shaleigh Littleton added 11 and Kendra Thomas 10. 10 Dragons scored in total.

Laken Dawson scored 16 for Valley and Kynnedi Dallison scored 11.

Cameron led 39-15 at halftime and 54-20 after three.

Martins Ferry 63, Cambridge 18

MARTINS FERRY - The Purple Riders scored early and often on their home floor Thursday in a win over the Bobcats.

Giana Chirpas scored 21 points for Ferry, followed by 15 for Lindsey Sidon and 12 for Lindsey Best.

Emma Krise scored a dozen for Cambridge.

Martins Ferry led 25-7 after the first quarter and 41-11 at halftime.

## Bellaire 54, River 33

BELLAIRE - The Big Reds received a big game from senior Zara Harveth on their way to a victory over the visiting Pilots.

Harveth scored 19 points, grabbed 10 rebounds and dished eight assists in the game. Tamya Morgan scored 17 points for Bellaire. Each made two 3-pointers.

## BOYS BASKETBALL

### Valley 76, Cameron 48

CAMERON - The Lumberjills surged in the second quarter to pull away from the Dragons.

Ahead 22-14 after the first quarter, Valley lurched ahead 38-22 going into the locker rooms.

Gavin Derby put in 25 while Trevor Stackpole had 23 for the Lumberjacks. Landen Jerico scored 11.

Cameron was led by 19 points from Mason Scott and 10 from Brayden Mahon.

## BOWLING

### Wheeling Park Rolls By Weir

Kaden Miller had games of 227 and 232 for a sizzling 459 series as the Patriots topped the Red Riders 2,341 to 1,917. Alden Stauver added games 203 and 191 for a 394 series.

## (Late Wednesday)

## BOWLING

### Brooke Swept by East

### Liverpool

### Boys

Darian Hilton had games of 173 and 167 for a 340 series but the Bruins fell to the Pottegrs 2,153 to 1,769.

### Girls

Kaylee Tuttle rolled a 290 series with 147 and 143 games but the Bruins were out rolled 2,094 to 1,373.

## BACK

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"I am very pleased with our performance," Wheeling Park head coach Danny Doyle said. "It's the same story as our entire season. We were short-handed but we did have a couple of come-from-behind wins. That was good."

"We had some kids step in the line up and some kids step up tonight, but, overall, I'm happy with the way we wrestled as a team," Huffman added. "I think tonight can help us make another run in the OHSWCA State Duals which begin on Saturday at our place."

Jack Lowe (150) kept the Patriots hopes alive with a technical fall but

Steubenville responded with a technical fall by Purdue University-bound Brody Saccoccia as the margin remained at 35-14.

Wheeling Park's Isaac Sands (165) earned a 16-9 decision to make it 35-17 but the fourth forfeit to Landon Crosier (175) sealed the deal.

Jameson Maynard (190) recorded a first-period pin but victories from Nolan Blackburn (215) and Beau Hudson (285) put the finishing touches on.

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## GIANTS VS. PATRIOTS

Eli Manning and the Giants spoiled New England's bid for a perfect season in 2007 and then pulled off the upset again four years later.

The Patriots came into Super Bowl 42 with an 18-0 record and were on the brink of match-

ing the perfect season of the 1972 Dolphins when Tom Brady threw a 6-yard TD pass to Randy Moss to make it 14-10 with 2:42 to go.

But Manning drove New York down the field — with help from David Tyree's helmet catch — and threw a game-winning TD to Plaxico Burress to stun New England.

Manning did it again in the 2011 season, driving to a game-winning touchdown with 57 seconds left for a 21-17 win.

## COWBOYS VS. BILLS

Dallas and Buffalo had the only Super Bowl rematch in consecutive seasons, meeting at the end of the 1992 and 1993 campaigns.

The Cowboys got the best of both.

They used nine takeaways and four TD passes from Troy Aikman to hand the Bills a 52-17 loss in Super Bowl 27.

The rematch was closer but had the same result. James Washington returned a fumble for a TD early in the third quarter to tie the game and Emmitt Smith ran for two TDs in the second half for a 30-13 win.

## STEELERS VS. COWBOYS

The Cowboys were on the wrong end of a Super Bowl rematch in the 1970s, losing to the Steelers following the 1975 and 1978 seasons.

Dallas became the first wild-card team to reach

the title game in Super Bowl 10 thanks to a desperation pass to beat Minnesota and a blowout against the Rams.

But they fell short against the Steel Curtain in the second second-half in Super Bowl history. Pittsburgh got a safety, two field goals and a 64-yard touchdown catch by Super Bowl MVP Lynn Swann in the fourth quarter of a 21-17 win to complete back-to-back titles for the Steelers.

Pittsburgh won again three years later in the first Super Bowl rematch to deny Dallas back-to-back championships.

MVP Terry Bradshaw threw four TD passes and Jackie Smith dropped a potential touchdown for Dallas. Roger Staubach's late rally fell short and the Steelers won their third Super Bowl title 35-31.

## COACH

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"I'm beyond proud of what our senior class achieved. They are special to me, and they know that," Thompson said. "They have set a new standard at Union Local. They will be missed, not only for their football talents, but for their leadership abilities."

"I'm just happy that people are noticing all the hard work we've been putting in here in Morristown," he added. "I'm so happy for my coaching staff."

That staff includes defensive coordinator Vaughn Butler, offensive coordinator Anthony Rocchio; offensive and defensive line coaches Ryan Kutcher and Tony Gregor; linebackers Tyler Grant; and defensive backs and wide receivers Jim Hess; along with UL Football Consultant Shawn Thompson, Bernie's father, who also played in the game.

Brown and his staff led the Dragons to an im-

probable appearance in the Class A state championship game last December in Charleston. Although they fell to Wabash, they represented the northern panhandle very well. They dropped the first game of the season before reeling off 12 straight wins, including a lop-sided 36-0 triumph at No. 1 ranked Tug Valley in the semifinals.

"The Cameron football staff and community members could not be more honored and grateful to have been selected to coach the OVAC All-Star game this summer. My sincere congratulations go out to all players nominated for the game from West Virginia and Ohio, and to those who will accept the invitation to play in the near future," Brown said. "Congratulations and good luck to the Ohio staff and team members."

"Having grown up in the Ohio Valley has given me a deep respect for

this All Star Game and its rich tradition of great players, coaches and athletes," Brown added. "I have been blessed to help coach this game in the past as an assistant coach with Jim Rogers. I have also been blessed to coach a few other all-star games in central Ohio in 2008."

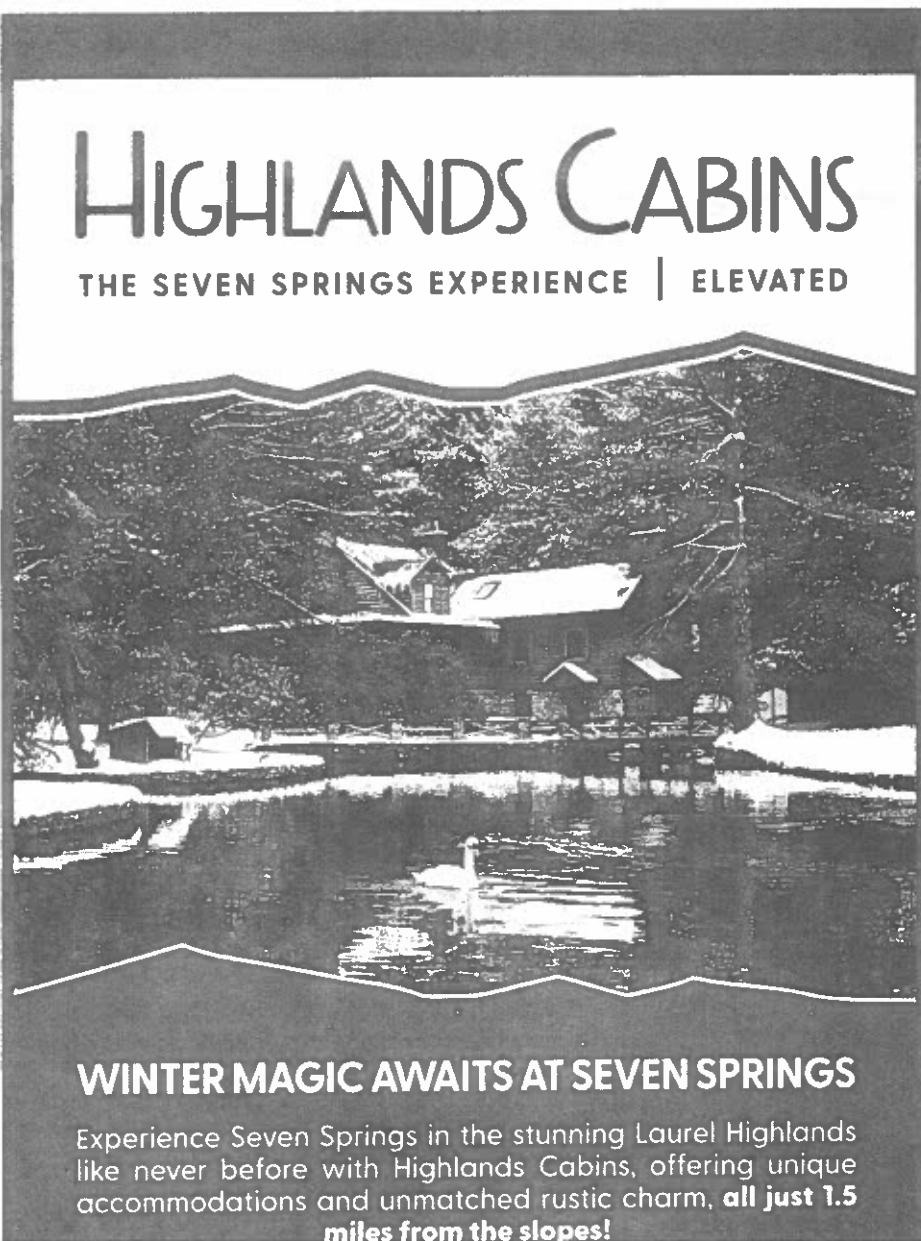
"This one will be special to me forever because our 2024 Cameron Dragons football team, with an amazing season, gave our staff this opportunity. Because of our players and the support of our community, we have this blessed opportunity to coach an amazing group of Ohio Valley athletes."

"Thank you Cameron, and the OVAC administration for believing in us."

The Cameron staff includes Gibbs Davidson, Jacob Berger, Derek Martin, Jim Rogers, Shawn Fullerton, Jason Dalesio, Matt Wiseman, Toby Brown and Tucker Brown.

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