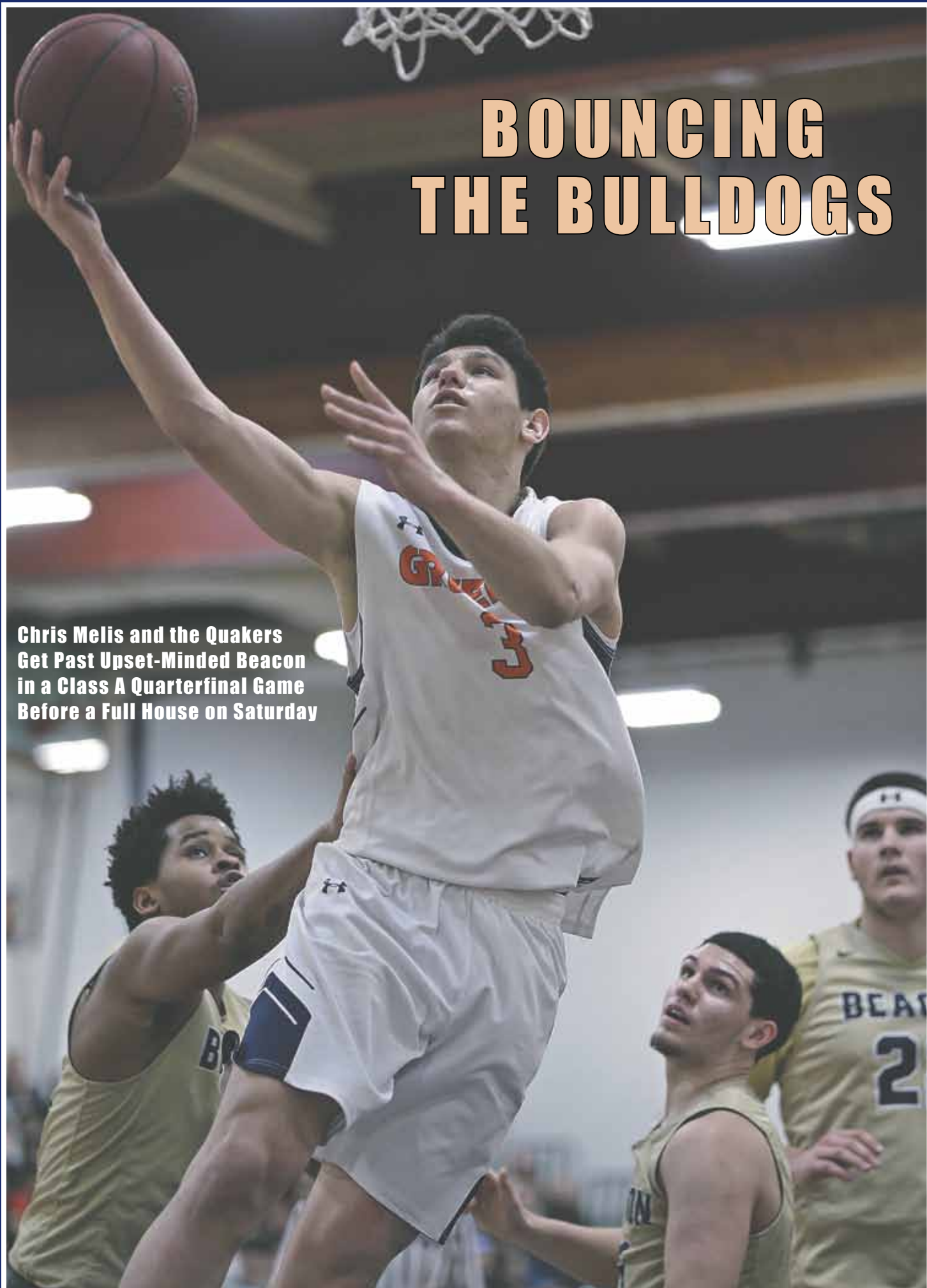


## BOUNCING THE BULLDOGS

**Chris Melis and the Quakers  
Get Past Upset-Minded Beacon  
in a Class A Quarterfinal Game  
Before a Full House on Saturday**



# Wildcats Cap Their Season With a Playoff Win Over Croton

By Andy Jacobs

The Westlake girls' basketball team didn't figure to have a very long stay in the sectional playoffs. After all, there was a quarterfinal matchup looming with top-seeded Briarcliff.

Even though their season came to a predictable end on the Bears' home floor, the Wildcats still managed to add one more highlight to a turnaround 2018-19 campaign in which they doubled their win total from a year ago.

With a barrage of 3-point shots, the eighth-seeded Wildcats earned a 51-43 home victory over ninth-seeded Croton-Harmon last Tuesday evening in the opening round of the Class B playoffs. Rebecca Lovett connected on half of Westlake's 10 treys and finished with a game-high 17 points to help the Wildcats extend their season for two more days.

"It's huge, it's huge" said Wildcats' head coach Sean Mayer about his team advancing past the first round in the playoffs. "It gives us 13 wins on the year from only six a year ago. So we're very happy."

Facing a Tiger squad against whom they had split their two regular-season games, the Wildcats needed a little while to get their offense going. They fell behind 5-0 and didn't score their first points of the night until Viktoria Hudd's put-back basket two and a half minutes into the game that started a 7-0 Westlake run. Jamie Perfito's second 3-pointer of



Westlake's Rebecca Lovett fires a jump shot in last Tuesday's Class B playoff win over Croton-Harmon.

the contest with 45 seconds left enabled the Wildcats to take a 10-9 lead after one quarter.

But Westlake only added three more baskets in the second quarter — 3-pointers by Emily Sardo and Lovett and a driving layup by eighth-grader Allie Castellone — and fell behind 19-18 at intermission after the Tigers' Anna Eng concluded the first-half scoring with a 3-point jumper.



Westlake senior Emily Sardo shoots the ball from near the foul line during the Wildcats' 51-43 playoff win over the Croton Tigers.



Viktoria Hudd gets inside for a shot at the basket in the first half of last Tuesday's playoff win by Westlake over visiting Croton-Harmon.

"At halftime, we only had 18 points. I told the girls we're gonna need to have more than that in the second half," said Mayer. "And we did."

Just 12 seconds into the third quarter, Perfito, one of the four Westlake seniors determined to make sure their last game on the home floor ended with smiles, connected on a 3-pointer from the left corner. A basket by Croton forward Kaitlyn Reynolds tied the game at 21 apiece, but then two free throws by Lovett with 6:42 left in the period gave the Wildcats a lead they never surrendered.

A 3-point shot by Lovett, who erupted for 11 points in the quarter, capped a 7-0 burst and stretched the Wildcats' advantage to 28-21. Her third basket of the period from beyond the arc, with 38 seconds to go, moved Westlake to a 36-30 lead before the quarter ended with a put-back by the Tigers' Sofia Tuman after Eng had just misfired on two foul shots.

Croton's Jane Lally scored on a fast-break layup just over two minutes into



Westlake eighth-grader Allie Castellone searches for an open teammate in last Tuesday night's opening-round Class B playoff game won by the host Wildcats.



The Wildcats' Jamie Perfito shoots a 3-pointer from the left corner in the second half of last week's first-round sectional playoff game.

the final quarter, cutting the Wildcats' lead to 37-34. But the Tigers were then held scoreless for three minutes, while Castellone provided two free throws and a 3-point shot from the top of the key. When Lovett drilled a 3-pointer from the left corner with exactly three minutes remaining to conclude the 8-0 spurt, the Wildcats took their largest lead all game, 45-34.

But the Tigers, who had lost at Westlake during the regular season on Lovett's game-winning layup at the final buzzer, were not quite finished yet. Eng, their talented sophomore guard who had been the focus of the Wildcats' defense all night, hit a 3-point jumper and followed it 30 seconds later by slicing through the lane for an old-fashioned 3-point play. Croton was suddenly within five points with just over two minutes remaining.

Croton could've closed to within three points with 1:13 on the clock, but a pair of missed free throws by Tamera Moore, the youngest player on its roster, all but doomed the comeback. The Wildcats made six foul shots in the final minute, three of them by Sardo, a senior, to seal the victory.

"This was a tough matchup," said Mayer, whose team finished the season with a 13-9 record. "Eight-nine game, Croton, who beat us a little bit the last time we played 'em there. This was an important win to come back. We just made a few more plays than they did. They're a good team and I knew it was gonna come down to the fourth quarter."



Westlake sophomore Nicole Karaqi pulls down a first-half rebound vs. the Tigers.

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# Greeley Withstands a Playoff Challenge From the Bulldogs

By Andy Jacobs

Just when it seemed the Horace Greeley boys' basketball team was well on its way to advancing to the Section One, Class A semifinals, there was an unexpected crisis for the Quakers to overcome on Saturday afternoon.

Star forward Chris Melis injured his left shoulder diving for a loose ball early in the fourth quarter and soon a Greeley lead once as large as 15 points began to shrink. The visiting Beacon Bulldogs closed to within six points with three minutes to go and appeared to have all the momentum they needed to knock the third-seeded Quakers right out of the sectional tournament.

But then Greeley's Noah Shar and Christoph Sauerborn stepped up to combine for 13 points during a game-deciding 14-1 burst that carried the Quakers to an 82-66 win over their 11th-seeded foe from Dutchess County. Despite a 41-point outburst from Beacon's star guard, Dayion Thompson, the Quakers extended their winning streak to 18 games and earned a berth in Wednesday's semifinal against undefeated Tappan Zee.

"We knew we were in for a tough game," said head coach Felix Nicodemo moments after all the bedlam in the Quakers' filled-to-capacity gym had subsided. "They're a dangerous team. They're tough against man, they're tough against zone. But one of the main things was being able to stay poised and to be able to handle their runs."

Greeley freshman center Nick Townsend scored 12 points before halftime and 12 after, finishing with a team high, to go along with 10 rebounds. Melis provided 17 points and eight rebounds before exiting with his injury 90



Greeley senior guard Noah Shar is pressured by Beacon's Dayion Thompson after crossing midcourt in the Quakers' 82-66 quarterfinal playoff victory on Saturday.

seconds into the final quarter. Sauerborn also finished with 17 points, while Shar, a senior who came through with two old-fashioned 3-point plays in the fourth quarter, added 16.

"We said when Chris went down, 'Who's gonna step up? And we've gotta remain poised.' We had two seniors on the court, and everyone else stepped up and bought into the role in these moments. This is what we were ready for all season. It's what we worked for, and we were able to capitalize. Our schedule up until this point the whole season has made us ready for this moment."

The lead changed hands five times before the game was barely three minutes old. A layup by Townsend with 25 seconds left in the first quarter gave Greeley a 20-17 edge heading to the second. Thompson's 3-pointer with 5:14 left in the half moved Beacon in front 27-26 before the Quakers answered with a 7-0 spurt sparked by Sauerborn, who had scored 26 points in Greeley's opening-round romp over Peekskill.

Back-to-back baskets by the Bulldogs late in the second quarter narrowed the Quakers' lead to 35-33, but a 3-point jumper by senior guard Michael Salore enabled Greeley, despite Townsend's inability to dominate on the offensive glass, to take a five-point advantage at the half.

"Yeah, I thought the first half it was



Freshman center Nick Townsend goes up for a bucket during Saturday afternoon's Class A quarterfinal game vs. visiting Beacon.

difficult sometimes," said Nicodemo about his prize ninth-grader's struggle to wreak havoc on the boards. "I thought they did a nice job on Nick in the first half. But second half, I thought we were able to take advantage down low because they were extended out a bit."

Consecutive layups by Beacon's Aaron Davis brought the Bulldogs to within 41-39 with 4:38 left in the third quarter. But then Townsend and Melis took turns scoring inside as Greeley went on a 15-2 blitz that opened up a 15-point cushion with 30 seconds remaining in the period.

Just before the quarter ended, the Bulldogs' Thompson provided a hint of things to come, connecting on an off-balance jumper near the foul line. In the final period, he exploded for 21 points, hitting shots from all over the court, sometimes as he was falling to the floor.

"He's got so much potential," said Nicodemo about Beacon's junior backcourt whiz. "He's a tremendous player. At certain points in the game, I looked over to my assistant, I go, 'What're we gonna do?' He said you can't do anything because he was just taking over the game. You know, that's what good players do."

The Quakers were leading 58-45 when Melis was forced from the game with 6:31 left after diving head first trying to get possession of the ball in front of the Quakers' bench. They were still ahead by 14 points when Shar converted on his conventional 3-point play with 4:20 to go. A trey from the left elbow by Sauerborn gave them a 68-54 margin 30 seconds later.

But a 4-point play by Thompson, who scored Beacon's first 15 points of the final quarter, cut the Greeley lead to 68-60 with 3:25 on the clock. A put-back



Greeley forward Chris Melis rises along the left baseline to score a basket in the Quakers' quarterfinal playoff win over Beacon.

basket by the Bulldogs' Kai Jacketti sliced the Quakers' edge to just six points as the contest headed toward the final three minutes.

That's when Greeley began its huge down-the-stretch blitz that was highlighted by a Sauerborn 3-pointer and then Shar's improbable, off-balance shot that he banked in along the right baseline as he was getting knocked to the floor. The Quakers wound up overcoming a huge Beacon fan turnout in their own gym, a phenomenal shooting display by Thompson and the unfortunate late-game absence of the indispensable Melis.

"We knew if we wanted to go to the County Center, it was gonna have to be earned and I wouldn't have it any other way," said Nicodemo before learning that Tappan Zee, as the higher seed, had opted to play the much-anticipated semifinal on its own home court. "We've been in dogfights. We hadn't been in one for a while, but it wasn't unfamiliar."



Greeley head coach Felix Nicodemo had something to smile about as the Quakers advanced to the Class A semifinals.



Horace Greeley's Michael Salore passes the ball up the court past Beacon's Aaron Davis in the first half of Saturday's Section One, Class A quarterfinal game.

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The Quakers' Christoph Sauerborn launches a 3-point shot in the second half of Saturday's Class A sectional quarterfinal win over the visiting Beacon Bulldogs.



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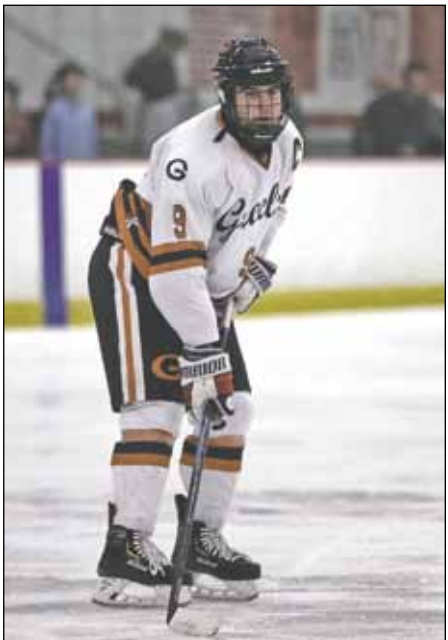
The Quakers' Liam Whitehouse battles for control of the puck along the boards in the third period of Thursday's Division 2 sectional semifinal against eventual champion John Jay.



Ethan Behar of Byram Hills controls the puck in the Bobcats' season-ending playoff loss at Rye Playland last Tuesday afternoon.



Jesse Rosenberg of Byram Hills draws a crowd as he tries to get to the goal in the Bobcats' 6-2 playoff loss to Rye last Tuesday.



Horace Greeley senior Tyler Kay awaits a faceoff in the sectional semifinal at the Brewster Ice Arena.



Horace Greeley senior Ryan Renzulli looks to send a shot on goal from the right wing during the Quakers' 4-2 semifinal loss to John Jay at Brewster Ice Arena.



Jack Cohen waits for the puck to drop during a faceoff in the Bobcats' final game of the season.



Greeley's Jake Potter moves the puck up the ice in last Thursday's sectional semifinal vs. the John Jay Indians.



The Bobcats' Will Cohen skates with the puck during last week's quarterfinal playoff game vs. host Rye.



Greeley freshman Charlie Spar controls the puck in the Quakers' 4-2 playoff loss to the Indians.



Ben Mautner and the Bobcats were brought to their knees in the Division 2 sectional quarterfinals last Tuesday afternoon.



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Sectional Playoffs



Marlin Wise of Valhalla snares a rebound in Thursday's 58-51 Class B playoff win over visiting Briarcliff.



Briarcliff freshman guard Jayden Larregue is guarded by Valhalla's John Lynch late in the second quarter of Thursday's Class B quarterfinal playoff game won by the host Vikings.



Aidan Hicks gets set to pass the ball in Fox Lane's Class AA opening-round playoff game against Mamaroneck last Thursday afternoon.



Trey DiCarlo of Fox Lane takes the ball to the basket in the Foxes' opening-round game.



Fox Lane forward Josh Olsen dribbles near the midcourt line during last Thursday's 49-39 playoff loss to the visiting Mamaroneck Tigers.



Valhalla's Sebastian Pacheco floats to the basket in the Vikings' quarterfinal win over Briarcliff.



Nick Reish of Briarcliff pushes the ball up the floor in the third quarter of Thursday's sectional playoff game vs. the Valhalla Vikings.



Valhalla's John Lynch dribbles the ball up the court as Briarcliff coach Nick Friedman shouts instructions to his team in last Thursday's Class B quarterfinal game.



Briarcliff sophomore Aidan Murnane takes the ball to the basket in the Bears' season-ending quarterfinal playoff loss last Thursday evening.



Fox Lane guard Jordan Alvarado fires a jump shot in Thursday's home playoff game vs. Mamaroneck.



Briarcliff senior guard Miles Jones shoots the ball from the foul line in the quarterfinal game against host Valhalla.



# Panthers Fall to Irvington After First Playoff Win in Five Years

By Rob DiAntonio

Recent years haven't been kind to the Pleasantville girls' basketball team, but with a talented youth movement and a first-year coach, the Panthers picked up their first playoff win in five years last week.

Seventh-seeded Pleasantville defeated visiting No. 10 Edgemont 51-42 to pick up that elusive victory in the Class B opening round last Tuesday. Freshman Tina Matica tallied 11 points to lead the Panthers.

Two days later, the Panthers ran into a buzz saw in the form of the three-time defending Section 1 Class B champions, Irvington. The towering second-seeded Bulldogs cruised to a 71-29 quarterfinal victory at home.

"Our girls battled hard, but sometimes, anatomically, it's just a mismatch that they can't overcome," Pleasantville coach Dillon Clark said. "The girls never quit. But kudos to Irvington. They make the right pass at the right time and the right decisions all the time. You've got to be able to match that."

It was 35-17 at halftime after Irvington's Abby Conklin nailed a three with 45 seconds to spare.

Conklin, who had a game-high 29 points and five 3-pointers, scored two quick baskets to start the third quarter, but was answered by a Lila Donohue three. Donohue nailed another long-



Pleasantville sophomore guard Jenna McAllister works her way into the lane in Thursday's sectional game at Irvington.

range bomb with 3:30 left in the third to get the deficit to 43-23.

But Irvington closed the third quarter on a 10-3 run to go into the fourth up 53-26. It was academic from there.

"There were a lot of girls that were on the sectional final group in soccer," Clark



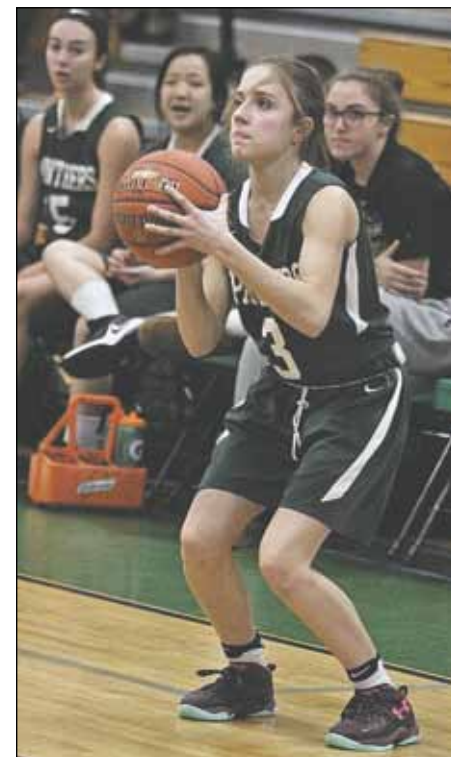
The Panthers' Abby McAllister dribbles past a pair of Bulldog defenders in Thursday's Class B quarterfinal playoff game.

said when asked if his team had some big-game jitters. "They've been on a big stage before, but obviously not in this sport. I think there's something to that."

Matica paced Pleasantville with 11 points. Donohue added nine points.

Pleasantville finished the season with a 16-6 record. It graduates just one senior in Paige Long and Clark is already excited about next season.

"We won our first playoff game in five years so that's a step in the right direction," he said. "We have a young program and hopefully we'll take the next step in the



Pleasantville freshman Tina Matica lines up a 3-point shot from the left wing in the Panthers' season-ending playoff loss at Irvington.

years to come. One senior, no juniors and all freshmen and sophomores. Age-wise, we're a JV team. I was most proud of that we won all the games that we should've won and we split with the more difficult opponents."

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## BYRAM HILLS BASKETBALL



Byram Hills senior Willy Samsen rises in the lane to shoot the ball in the fourth quarter of Saturday's Class A quarterfinal vs. visiting Rye.



The Bobcats' Michael Kalian pushes the ball up the court in the second half of Saturday afternoon's sectional game against Rye.



Byram Hills head coach Ted Repa pleads with the officials in the final quarter of the Bobcats' 50-42 quarterfinal playoff loss to visiting Rye on Saturday afternoon.



Byram Hills forward Mike Caporale concentrates at the free-throw line in the Bobcats' Class A quarterfinal game.

# Greeley's Wolk Earns a State Wrestling Championship

By Tony Pinciario

A young Aaron Wolk looked around the Horace Greeley wrestling room, saw all the names and accolades on the wall and made a decision.

Wolk told Greeley coach Mike DeBellis that he wanted to get his name on the wall with the Quakers' state champions – current John Jay-Cross River coach Bill Swertfager (1978) and Morgan Carey (1995).

“He told me it would require a lot of work in season and during the offseason,” said the Brown University-bound Wolk.

Wolk listened to what DeBellis said, dedicated himself to the sport and now he will take his place alongside Swertfager and Carey.

The four-year varsity wrestler and career-wins leader pinned Eastport-South Manor's Joe Gannone at 59 seconds to win the New York State Division I 170-pound championship up in Albany this past weekend.

Wolk was one of three Section 1 champions as New Rochelle's Jake Logan won his second consecutive Division I 182-pound title and Edgemont's Nick Meglino won the Division II 182-pound crown.

Matthew Schreiber, Wolk's teammate and friend, finished fifth in the 106-pound weight class. The duo led Greeley to an eighth-place team finish in Division I.

Even though Wolk, who went 45-1 this season, was the top seed, it did not phase him. He also came into the state tournament more relaxed.

“I knew more about the tournament and was more prepared and comfortable, especially going into the second day,” said Wolk, who finished his career at 145-26.

This comfort level showed as Wolk was dominant, pinning three opponents and recording a 3-0 victory. Wolk put three of his opponents to sleep, by cradling them. Wolk's ease at executing the cradle throughout the state championships against high-caliber competition was outstanding. And it was not as if Wolk was forcing it.

“I've been hitting the cradle since sixth grade and it's my number one move,” said Wolk, who finished fifth in the state at 160 pounds last year. “When I'm wrestling on top, I'm looking for the cradle and if it's not there, then I look for something else.”

When the official pounded the mat in the final, signifying a pin, the usually reserved Wolk let loose with emotion.

“I don't show much emotion after my matches, but when the official hit the mat, I was, ‘Wow, I'm a state champion,’” Wolk said. “It was really exciting. The first thing I did was look up to where my parents were sitting. They were cheering. My friends were cheering and my coaches were going crazy. It was a great experience and I'm definitely not going to forget this.”

Wolk was happy for Schreiber, also a two-time state place-finisher after taking

fourth at 99 pounds last year.

“It was great for Matt and that's really exciting that he has all-state honors for a second time and it's great that we finished eighth, as a team, two years in a row,” Wolk said.

Schreiber, seeded fifth, won his first match, then faced the wrestleback round where a loss in his next match would result in elimination.

“Once I couldn't become a state champ, I still knew that becoming a two-time state-placer would be a tremendous accomplishment,” said the Binghamton-bound Schreiber. “I just had to focus on one match at a time and stay calm in order to win.”

Schreiber lost to the second seed in the consolation semifinals, but closed out his career with a 4-2 overtime win against Zach Levy of Horseheads (Section 4).

“Going into overtime wasn't great, but I love to win the tight matches,” Schreiber said. “My coaches told me to go out and have fun and I did just that.”

Schreiber then sat back and watched Wolk win a state title.

“Watching Aaron win a state title was awesome,” Schreiber said. “I've never seen him that happy before, which made it really special. It's been his goal to win a high school state title ever since he started and now he finally accomplished it. When he won, I felt like I was out there with him on the mat.”

Greeley coach Anthony Tortora, a two-time sectional champion and state place-finisher for the Quakers, could not have been prouder of his two seniors.

“Aaron has worked extremely hard to reach his goal,” Tortora said. “He wrestled close with all of those guys earlier in the season at Eastern States, but he turned it up this weekend to show he was the man!”

“Matt and Aaron have both been leaders of this program for a long time. Them, along with Jacob Ferreira, have done everything right. They do great in the classroom, train year-round at Empire Wrestling Academy with me and set the example for the younger kids. Those two will be missed next year.”

Pleasantville capped its outstanding season with senior Victor Perlleshi placing second in the New York State Division II Championships 132-pound weight class and junior Len Balducci finishing fifth.

Sectional champions Aidan Canfield (138) and Quinn Egan (106) and wild-card entrant Jaden Kammer (182) also represented the Panthers.

Perlleshi registered the most successful season in Pleasantville wrestling history and became the first Panther to wrestle for a state title. The senior won his second consecutive Section 1 Division II title as well as a second straight Westchester County championship. Perlleshi was the Eastern States Classic 132-pound runner-up.

He finished with a 46-2 record this

season and a career mark of 167-37.

Perlleshi, seeded second at the state championships, decisioned Matt Laporte (Hoosick Falls-2), 5-2, Dylan Price (Onodaga Central-Tully), 10-4, and Matt Malhario (Highland-9), 8-6, on his way to the final.

Balducci finished fifth for the second time in three years. He also owns a third-place finish. He owns family bragging rights over father Lenny and his uncle, Chris (two), with the most sectional titles.

Balducci advanced to the state semifinals for a third consecutive year and finished the season with a 44-9 record.

“I achieved my goal of becoming all-state, again, and placing for the third time in a row,” Balducci said. “It's going to motivate me to work harder for my senior year. I know what I need to do to get on top of the podium.”

Balducci noted Perlleshi's graduation will impact the team.

“Victor had an amazing season and I am extremely proud of him,” Balducci said. “It's definitely going to hurt not having him in the room next season, from his leadership to also being my training partner for the last four years.”

Fox Lane had three representatives at the New York State Division I Championships – senior Amos Rivera (120 pounds), junior Quincy Downes (160) and freshman Jake Hoffman (99 pounds). Downes and Hoffman were sectional champs and Rivera received a wild card and went on to finish fifth for all-state honors.

For Rivera, a two-time sectional runner-up, earning the wild card was a second chance.

“After losing in the sectional finals, again, I basically gave up on wrestling,” Rivera said. “I was devastated and down and that match didn't let me sleep at night.”

When Rivera received a pre-dawn call from Fox Lane coach Anthony Rodrigues saying Rivera earned a wild card, it brought elation to the household.

“I jumped out of bed, told my mom and we were smiling from ear to ear,” Rivera said. “It was a blessing and I was more than excited that my season didn't end.”

Even though Rivera, seeded seventh, lost his first-round match, he showed determination and mental toughness, winning three straight matches to earn all-state honors -- top-six finish. Rivera faced archrival Ivan Garcia of Port Chester in the consolation semis. Garcia decisioned Rivera in the sectional final. Garcia won on a ride-out, but Rivera rebounded to beat third-seeded Marco Vespa of Monroe-Woodbury, 6-5, in the fifth-place match.

“After my first loss, I was reflecting on my career and realized that I didn't want to end it as a state qualifier,” Rivera said. “I know that I'm one of the best in the state, but I had to prove it.”

“During one of the state team meetings, Mr. Jamie Block told us that not all of us are going to be state champ and that if you lose one match, you must stay focused and wrestle back as far as you possibly can.”

Seniors are given an option to wear their school singlet for their final match at the state championships so Rivera was in his familiar Fox Lane colors.

“Winning my last high school match was a huge deal,” Rivera said. “Getting to wear the Fox Lane singlet one last time was emotional and I wanted to represent my school, coaches and myself in that match. To me, that was the most important match of my life.”

Downes established himself as one of Section 1's elite wrestlers this season, winning the Division I 160-pound title. Downes, who was seeded seventh, went 2-2 and came within a win of earning all-state.

“What I took away from this tournament is that I still have things to learn,” Downes said. “I see that as a positive because I'm ready to get back in the room and improve on what I lacked this weekend.”

“My success this season as well as my failures will definitely drive me to train harder and I am very excited for my senior year to try and reach my full potential as a wrestler.”

Downes was happy to see Rivera finish out his career as an all-state wrestler.

“It was amazing to see Amos get all-state,” Downes said. “This year we have worked together all offseason and have been side by side for years, and to see him reach one of his goals was great. Amos is like a brother to me and for him to succeed is fantastic.”

Hoffman, like Downes, went 2-2 and came within one win of finishing all-state.

Byram Hills' coach Joey Grippi was a two-time sectional champ for Fox Lane and has made Albany and the state championships a second home with younger brothers – Tommy and Matt – winning sectional titles and placing at states.

The eldest Grippi brother continued his annual trip to Albany for the state championships, but his first as coach as juniors John Fortugno (106 pounds) and Alex Behar (182 pounds) earned wild cards after sectional runner-up finishes.

“It was great to see John and Alex qualify as wild cards,” Grippi said. “They are both leaders on this team and work hard during the season and in the offseason, so I was happy for them.”

“I'm hoping this helps the program and shows the younger guys hard work does pay off in this sport. I already can't wait for next year and I'm sure the same is for them. It was a great experience for them to get up to the state tournament and experience that atmosphere. Hopefully, we can get even more guys up there next year.”



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## Bobcats Lose to Somers in the Class A Quarterfinal



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Action from Saturday afternoon's 55-38 sectional playoff loss by third-seeded Byram Hills to visiting Somers included, clockwise from top left, Jennifer Mui dribbling near the top of the key; Beth Corelli setting up the Bobcat offense in the first half; Maggie Walsh using her left hand to send up a shot just outside the lane; Olivia Gordon providing a defensive presence; head coach Tara Ryan watching from the sideline; Sophia Villani shooting the ball at the foul line; and Oliva Picca handling the ball in the backcourt.