

# SPORTS

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## Three County Gridders Get Honorable Mention On All-State Scholastic Team; Football Stars From Pittsburgh Head List

Three Adams County players are given honorable mentions on the All-Associated Press All-State Scholastic Football team announced today by The Associated Press.

Stan Hoover, Gettysburg and Steve Helwig and Jim Smith, Delone, were among the honorable mentions on the defense.

Hoover, a 5-9, 187-pound senior tackle, was a standout for the Warriors in virtually every game during the 1971 season.

Helwig and Smith are also seniors and were co-captains at Delone the past season. Helwig, 5-8, 152, was selected as an end. Smith, 6-0, 204, was among the linebackers.

### LIST SELECTIONS

According to the AP account Pittsburgh's Thomas Jefferson High placed two players, quarterback Jim Cramer and linebacker Jim Harchar on the 1971 Associated Press All-Pennsylvania Scholastic Football Team, released today.

Rick Knechtel, a 6-foot-2, 220-pounder from Hempfield High, is the only first team two-way player. He made it as an offensive guard and defensive tackle. The players were selected in a vote of sportswriters and sportscasters and in consultation with the state's major college coaches.

The competition for running backs was so close that four were named to the first team—Elwood Petchel of Pen Argyl, Art Owens of Stroudsburg, Larry Suhey of State College and Brian Baschnagel of North Allegheny.

Along with Knechtel on the line are ends Bob Thomas of Upper Merion, and Dale Forchetti of Neshaminy; tackles Jim Fehling of Wilson (Reading) and Ron Argenta of Greensburg-Salem; guard Dave Meier of Owen J. Roberts

Pottstown; and center Alvin Brown of Valley View.

### DEFENSE SQUAD

The first team defense was headed by Knechtel at tackle, and two ends that college scouts described as "Monsters." Sydney Sheppard tackled opposing quarterbacks 33 times from his defensive end post at Philadelphia's Mastbaum High School. Willie Smith, a 215-pound Scranton Tech end, averaged 6.3 unassisted tackles and 3.5 assisted tackles per game even though the opposition ran away from his side most of the time.

Walley Blackwell is Knechtel's running mate at defensive tackle, with Harchar of Thomas Jefferson, Frank Harsh of Blairsville and Cedar Cliff's Jeff McNelly the linebackers. Defensive backs are Daniel Crawford of Wilkes-Barre Coughlin, John Bush of Derry Area, Rich Hopstock of Lehighton, and Jeff Hite from Pittsburgh's North Catholic.

Kramer, a 6-1, 200-pounder is the apple of most every college scout's eye. He passed for 548 yards and 8 touchdowns and ran for 13 more TDs.

Petchel, 6-0, 185-pounder, became the first Pennsylvania high school back to score more than 500 points in a career, topping by 64 the 476 tallied by Charles Banks of Myersdale. He also set a new career rushing record of 4,541 yards. His 88 TDs were another state mark.

Owens scored 28 points in his final game with Stroudsburg to boost his one season TD count to 41. He amassed 248 points for the season. The speedy halfback gained 2,048 yards on 197 carries for a 10.4 average.

Owen's career totals include 418 points, 3,920 yards running and 606 receiving.

Baschnagel, a fullback at North Allegheny, is rated by many the best player in West-

ern Pennsylvania. He rushed for 1,825 yards, averaging 8 yards per try. He scored 21 touchdowns. In the game against Storox, he gained 409 yards.

Suhey, the State College High tailback, scored 17 TDs for the Little Lions, who were unbeaten in nine games. He gained close to 1,100 yards rushing, and also is a highly sought prospect by the colleges, including Penn State, where his dad starred some years ago.

Thomas is small at 5-9 and 155 pounds, but the Upper Merion senior end can catch the football with the best of them. He made 92 catches for 1,432 yards and 18 TDs, the yardage and TD's are state records for a pass receiver.

Forchetti was a brilliant receiver for the unbeaten Neshaminy High team. The six-foot, 175-pound split end caught 58 passes for 1,200 yards and 14 TDs as his team went 11-0.

Harchar is rated one of the top defensive players in the state, anchoring a line that allowed only 33 points per game.

## Warrior Mat Team Drubbed By Camp Hill

Only a draw in the 120-pound event prevented the Gettysburg High School wrestlers from being blanked as the Warriors absorbed a 43-2 defeat at the hands of Camp Hill here last night as both schools opened their Blue Mountain League season.

John Toggas, a freshman, gained the draw for Gettysburg. He developed a nose bleed late in the bout and after a brief intermission held on for the tie.

Camp Hill swept all of the remaining events although there