



Swartz Led Neshaminy To Finest Season

Jackie Swartz, former Carbondale High star athlete and coach, has led Neshaminy High School to its finest football season in history.

Saturday afternoon Neshaminy defeated Pennsbury High, 21-17, at Neshaminy. It was the 11th straight win for Swartz's club and gave it the Big Seven League championship as well as the Lower Bucks Country Conference crown. The 11 wins in a single season set a record for the school.

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Neshaminy, while based in Langhorne, had had closed regional association through the years. John Petercuskie, an Old Forge native who served as an assistant to Elio Ghigiarelli, coached the Neshaminy team for many years before moving on to Dartmouth and Boston College.

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Pete Cordelli, a Blakely native and a former assistant to Johnny Henzes at Blakely, succeeded Petercuskie.

Swartz, who played his collegiate ball at East Stroudsburg, has been at Neshaminy since 1955. He gave up the job of head basketball coach to take the football job.

Ed Romanowski, who coached at Lackawanna Trail in its earliest years in football, is on the Neshaminy faculty and serves on the intra-mural football program. His youngster was a Neshaminy quarterback.

Last year Swartz's son served as the team quarterback. He is now attending Penn State.

This year the star of the team is Pete Cordelli Jr., who was born in Peckville before his parents moved to Langhorne. In Saturday's big game he scored one touchdown on a five-yard run and passed for a second score. The game attracted 18,000 people.