

All-Lower Bucks H.S. Football Squad

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How can something have both a "familiar ring" to it and also a "new look"?

That's easy if you take a good look at the 1967 Courier Times All-Lower Bucks County Area Football Squad and compare it to last year's team.

The squad, which is published today, was selected by the Courier Times sports staff and Lower Bucks football coaches.

The "familiar ring" to this year's "dream team" is the domination again by players from Pennsbury and Bishop Egan high schools, who earned 12 of the 22 berths on the offensive and defensive units of the first team.

Last year, Pennsbury and Egan players captured 16 of 22

berths. Wilson's Rick Lewis and Egan's Pancho Micir tied in the voting for the quarterback post, bringing about the necessity for a 23-man squad, instead of 22.

Last year, only four schools were represented on the all-area team at all. In addition to Pennsbury and Egan, Wilson placed five and Neshaminy two.

The "new look" to this year's team is that eight schools are represented, which if nothing else, means there was more football balance among area high school teams.

This is borne out by the close races in both Section One and Section Two of the Lower Bucks County League and by the strong showing by the area's other schools. Bishop Egan won the Northern Division crown as the Philadelphia Catholic League and plays for the PCL title on Dec. 3.

Archbishop Wood, playing in the same conference, didn't win many games, but was in contention in almost all their contests.

George School surprised by winning the title in the Penn Jersey Conference.

Pennsbury won eight berths on the 1967 team and Bishop Egan took five positions, Neshaminy, Ricol, George School, Tennent, Bensalem and Archbishop Wood players nailed down the remaining berths.

Three players — Gordon Davies and Mike Farley of Pennsbury and Stu Steelman of George School — were named to the squad as two-way players.

Davies, the only junior to make the team last year as the middle guard on defense, repeated at that position again and also earned a post as a guard on offense this year. Dav-

ies, a 5-10, 205-pounder, is the son of the former Morrisville High Football coach.

Farley, who gained most of the rushing yardage for Penn-



sbury, was named as a running back and also as a defensive

halfback Steelman, a 6-3, 225-pounder, was named as a tackle on both offense and defense. He was an outstanding performer both ways and is headed for Penn.

Offensively in the backfield, along with Farley, are Tony Embessi of Bristol at quarterback and running backs Larry Marshall of Egan and Larry Miller of Bristol.

Embessi, an outstanding passer, was out in a close vote over Wood's Bob McGoldrick and Tennent's Wayne Cottman, Marshall, an explosive runner, was one vote shy of being a unanimous choice. Miller, a speed merchant, who is the area's leading scorer, and Farley won out over Farley's teammate, Bill Evans.

On the offensive line, in addition to Steelman and Davies, are Egan's Jose Quintero and Pennsbury's Rich Orwig at the ends; Neshaminy's Bruce Haynes at tackle; Bensalem's Mike Hoagland at guard and

Egan's Ray Bader at center.

Joining Steelman and Davies on the five-man defensive forward wall are Pennsbury's Dave Billy and Neshaminy's Bill Swenson at ends; and Pennsbury's Mark Lindenmuth at tackle. Lindenmuth, incidentally, nosed out Egan's Gary Blank in the balloting.

At the linebacking positions are Egan's Gary Gray, another near-unanimous selection; Pennsbury's Bob Belletiere and Tennent's Bob Wolfrum, who just edged Wilson's Bill Saren.

Greg Kugler, the third Egan griddler to be just one vote short of unanimous, and Archbishop Wood's Jim Dulin join Farley as the deep backs on the defensive unit.

The honorable mention list in the accompanying table includes all gridders who received at

least one vote in the balloting.

Offensively, there's beef in the middle of the line, speed in the backfield, a passer with an accurate arm and glue-fingered receivers.

Defensively, there's speed and size where needed.

And both ways, the players have something besides ability. They have "desire" to play football. Ask their opponents.

Pennsbury Coach Erle Baugher took a look at the squad list and said, "With this team, we could take on anyone in Pennsylvania."

All the players who were named to the 23-man All-Lower Bucks squad or to the offensive and defensive first units of the All-Section One and All-Section Two teams will be guests at the annual Courier Times football banquet next month. Details will be announced later.

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OFFENSE

Pos.	Name	School	Ht.	Wt.	Class
E	Jose Quintero	Egan	5-11	178	Senior
E	Rich Orwig	Pennsbury	6-1½	195	Senior
T	Stu Steelman	George	6-3	225	Senior
T	Bruce Haynes	Neshaminy	6-1	240	Senior
G	Mike Hoagland	Bensalem	5-9	170	Senior
G	Gordon Davies	Pennsbury	5-10	205	Senior
C	Ray Bader	Egan	6-0	195	Senior
QB	Tony Embessi	Bristol	6-3	210	Senior
B	Larry Miller	Bristol	5-9	150	Senior
B	Larry Marshall	Egan	5-10	188	Senior
B	Mike Farley	Pennsbury	5-9½	170	Senior

DEFENSE

E	Dave Billy	Pennsbury	6-1	190	Senior
E	Bill Swenson	Neshaminy	6-1	170	Senior
T	Stu Steelman	George	6-3	225	Senior
T	Mark Lindenmuth	Pennsbury	6-1	240	Senior
MG	Gordon Davies	Pennsbury	5-10	205	Senior
LB	Gary Gray	Egan	6-1	195	Senior
LB	Bob Belletiere	Pennsbury	5-10	185	Senior
LB	Bob Wolfrum	Tennent	5-10	190	Senior
HB	Greg Kugler	Egan	6-1	190	Senior
HB	Mike Farley	Pennsbury	5-9½	170	Senior
HB	Jim Dulin	Wood	6-0	180	Senior

HONORABLE MENTION

ENDS: Tom Martin, Tennent; Tony Magiaracina, Bristol; John Quarles, Council Rock; Mark Hallowell, George; John Phillips and Bob Melling, Egan; Rich Redick, Joe Janos and Bill Hughes, Wood.

TACKLES: Len Shober, Pennsbury; Rich Parente and Del Knauer, Wood; Ray Helbling, Joe Friel, Gary Blank and Joe Morrin, Egan; Nick Fizzano, Neshaminy; Bob Zefferi, Wilson; Bob Thompson, Bensalem; Mike Peterpaul, Bristol.

GUARDS: Tony Forino and Mike Clark, Wood; Duke Marquis and Jim Sheppard, Egan; Guy Hurrell, Tennent; Ernie Wakeman, Lower Moreland.

CENTERS: Joe Walsh, Wilson; John Pachuta, Jenkintown.

LINEBACKERS: John Fidler, Council Rock; Art Shannon, Lower Moreland; Bill Saren, Wilson; Joe Jaglowski, Bensalem; Bob Baez and Glen Galeone, Wood.

QUARTERBACKS: Bob McGoldrick, Wood; Jim Ryan, Egan; Wayne Cottman, Tennent.

BACKS: Rich Reith, Wood; Bill Daenz and Steve Sroba, Neshaminy; Art Sosnin, Jenkintown; George Connelly, Bensalem; Frank Yacovino, Mike Goetz, Bill Schoenwald, Bill Sweeney and Sonny Nagle, Egan; Rich Baker, Wilson; Bill Evans, Pennsbury.