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Girls battle Wildcats

Sequoits look to knock Libertyville out of first place

By Danielle O'Young and Liz Whitehurst

The Antioch girls basketball team needs to work on rebounding, and their game tomorrow against Libertyville will be a chance to do that. After a difficult loss to Warren last weekend, they will try to knock the Libertyville Wildcats out of the top conference spot.

When the Sequoits last met the Wildcats, they lost 28-43.

"We all felt that was a game we should have



won," said head coach Don Zeman. He felt that this push will motivate them in tomorrow's game.

This isn't the only one that will be on the Sequoits' minds. They suffered four losses in a row this month.

"We're going to be pumped up to win because we've had a couple tough losses lately," said Jennie Dewar, ACHS senior and the team's leading scorer.

After beating North Chicago, they fell to Warren last weekend, 39-46. This was a particularly difficult loss because they beat the Blue Devils earlier

in the season.

Also, Warren was one of the three teams who were tied with Antioch for third going into the game. Last Saturday was the Sequoits chance to knock them out of that spot. They led in the first half, but after being tied at halftime, they couldn't keep the lead.

"It came down to who wanted it more," said Gina Florian, ACHS junior and guard. "We really had it together in the first half...but we kind of broke down in the second half."

Still, Zeman felt good about their effort in the Warren game.

"Warren is the hottest team in Lake County right now, and we had opportunities to win all night," he said.

In order to rebound from their loss to Warren, the Sequoits will have to work on minimizing turnovers, according to Katherine Reynolds, ACHS senior and point guard. This has been a major weakness throughout the entire season.

"We need to work on taking care of the ball," said Katie Malcolm, ACHS senior and guard.

According to Florian, they also need

to work on communication and focus.

"It is more mental than physical," she said.

"We need to use our quickness," said Florian. "We can be an awesome team."

All the girls feel confident about their chances against Libertyville. Since they have chance to knock them out of the top spot, Zeman said, "Our team will rise to the occasion. We lost before but now know we can beat them."

The girls have personal motivation to beat Libertyville.

"I'm very excited about the game. They think they're better than us and we want to show them that we are just as good," said Reynolds.

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**-Katherine Reynolds
Sequoits Point Guard**



Photos by Danielle O'Young
Above: Jessica McWilliams attempting a rebound against Warren. The final score was 39-46. Left: Coach Zeman is confident the Sequoits will knock Libertyville out of first.

Wrestlers ready for Conference at Wauconda

By Korin Knutson

With the conference tournament tomorrow night, the Antioch Community High School wrestlers seem confident.

Libertyville and Lake Forest will be at the Conference tournament and are ranked first and second in state.

"It will be tough wrestling against Libertyville and Lake Forest. They're good teams and are ranked in state," said senior wrestler Taylor Pechauer.

Another team member has similar feelings.

"My only real threat at conference is Libertyville. If I can defeat them I believe I'll do well," said ACHS senior Drew Swanson.

The only school to beat ACHS senior Mike Campezzi in the North Suburban Conference was Warren.

"Warren poses a threat to me because it is the only school I lost to. As long as I push myself I'm pretty confident about winning," said Campezzi.

ACHS teacher and coach Ron Hatfield feels good about this season.

Hatfield said, "I have a feeling that four out of the six seniors will be all-conference."

The team's record this season is 3-16. The Sequoits were at a disadvantage because there are many younger wrestlers that were placed on varsity. Even with the younger team members, the Sequoits still can't fill all of their weight classes and have had to forfeit

many matches.

"We are at a huge loss not being able to fill all the weight classes. We lose at least 24 points every match because our team is so small," said Hatfield.

Although the team is small and has less experience, there are individuals that do stand out.

"The seniors have shown a great effort. It's tough not having many of them on the team," said Hatfield.

There are six seniors on the team this season. Their names and records are Swanson, 16-11, Campezzi, 30-2, Kyle Stigler, 16-11, Pechauer, 21-12, Phil Sehmer, 19-15, and Cory Mueller, 21-15. They all feel they've improved throughout the season and are

better than last year.

"I'm doing a lot better than last year. I'm winning close matches instead of coming up short like last year," said Pechauer.

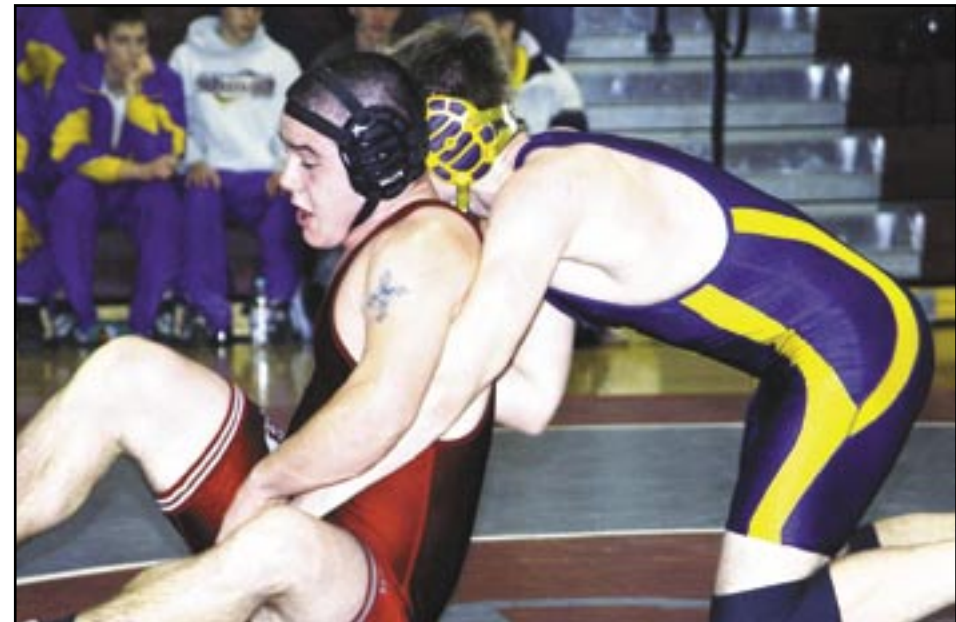
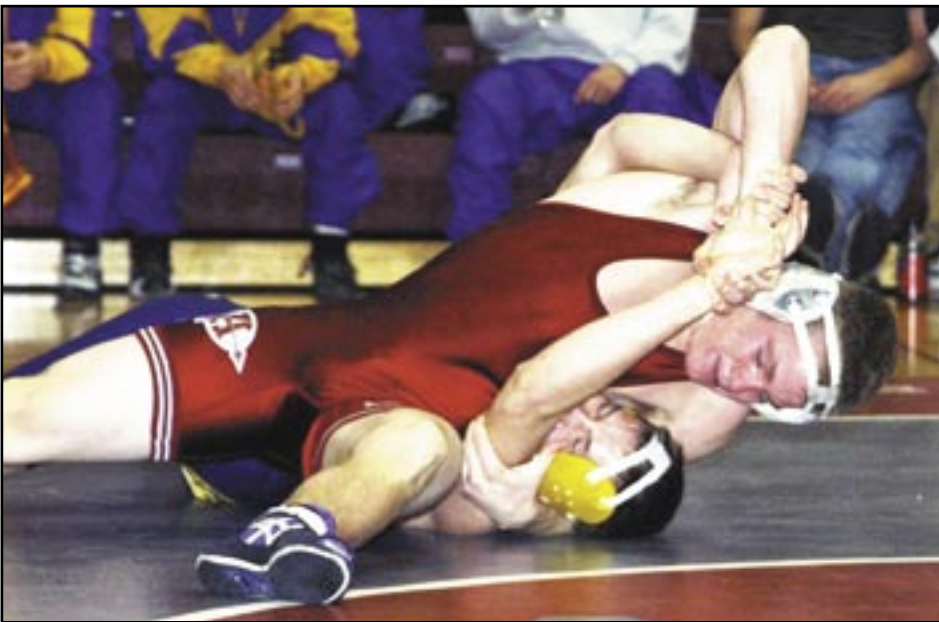
Senior wrestler Phil Sehmer said, "I have definitely improved since last year and from the beginning of the season."

The seniors credit most of their success to their coach Ron Hatfield.

"He helped all of us realize what our full potential was and helped us to reach it," said Swanson.

"Coaching these boys was great. There's some real talent on this team," said Hatfield.

The Sequoits will be wrestling in the North Suburban Conference Tournament tomorrow at Wauconda High School.



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Above left: Senior Phil Sehmer pins a Wauconda wrestler, his record is 19-15. Above right: Mike Campezzi matched up against Wauconda. His record is 30-2. Sehmer and Campezzi are two of the six seniors on the Varsity team this season. During the regular season the team finished with a 3-16 record.