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### SAS signups now under way

Registration is now under way for spring Sewickley Area Soccer signups.

Forms can be picked up at United Men's Store, Sewickley. In person registration will be held Saturday, Jan. 29, from 10-2 p.m.

Registration will be officially over on Jan. 29 at 2 p.m.

Once again micro soccer will be offered for 6-year-olds.

There also will be under-8, under-10, under-12, under-14, under-16 and under-19 divisions for both boys and girls.

Anyone interested in coaching or becoming a certified referee can call Julie Rickert at 741-2366.

## Area athlete chosen to all-star team

Sewickley resident Kristin Griffin was named to the National Soccer Coaches Athletic Association Umbro All Ohio Team as a second team selection.

Ms Griffin, a sophomore forward for the Ohio Wesleyan women's soccer team, led the Lady Bishops and ranked fifth in the North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC) in scoring.

She had 12 goals and six assists for an average of 1.58 points per game.

She was second team All NCAC and a third team all region pick this past fall season. Ohio Wesleyan finished the season with an 11-8 record.

The Lady Bishops were 6-2 in NCAC competition - good for a second-place finish in the league standings.



Kristin Griffin

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**VIPs:** The Quaker Valley boys' soccer team was not finished winning awards after attaining the PIAA AA Championship. Seth Perkovich holds a resolution passed by Sewickley Borough honoring the achievement of the Quakers this past fall season. Perkovich was presented the plaque by former Sewickley Mayor Dick George (far right). Also in attendance were head coach Gene Klein (far left) and Justin Glessner.

## SA coach to play for pro indoor soccer team

It's a return to glory days for Sewickley Academy head boys' soccer coach Dave Kasper.

Kasper confirmed that he will play for the Pittsburgh Stingers professional indoor soccer team this summer.

The Stingers will play in the Continental Indoor Soccer League (CISL), which has teams from Charlotte and Washington, D.C., among others. Quaker Valley graduate and Bell Acres native Ken Pryor plays for the Canton Invaders of the National Professional Soccer League.

Kasper said most NBA and NHL owners own their indoor facilities, which have nothing going on in the summer months. He said they hope the World Cup, which will be occurring in the



Dave Kasper

United States this summer, will give the league a boost.

The CISL is a 16-team league and plays a 28-game schedule. It will start league play in June and conclude in mid-September.

Kasper, 28, played for the Los Angeles Lasers of the Major Indoor Soccer League. He said he has been training, having lost 10 pounds, and intends to be in top shape for the upcoming season.

When asked if those duties might conflict with coaching the SA boys' soccer team, because the Panthers' practice starts in mid-August, Kasper said the Stingers' games and practices will take place at night; therefore, he expects no problem. He also said he has been cleared by SA athletic director Ridge Diven.

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## Aleppo man to coach U.S. under-20 team

Aleppo resident John Kowalski has been named to head the United States Soccer Federation's under-20 national squad. In his new position, Kowalski will take a leave of absence from Robert Morris College, where he is men's soccer coach.

This summer, the under-20 team will try to qualify for the world championships set for 1995 in Nigeria.

Twice, Kowalski has served as the American

World Cup Team's interim head coach and twice as the U.S. Five a Side indoor head coach. His 1992 team won a silver medal at the FIFA World Championships.

This past fall, Kowalski, 42, guided the Colonials to its first-ever NCAA Tournament after winning the Northeast Conference. "We wish John luck with the national team," said Bob McBee, director of athletics at Robert Morris.



John Kowalski

## **SAS soccer holds field fund-raiser**

Sewickley Area Soccer (SAS) will sell tickets for prizes Saturday at the Edgeworth School and Sewickley Valley YMCA fields and Sunday at the Y and Quaker Valley Senior High School fields.

Tickets also will be sold the following Saturday and Sunday at the fields, and can be purchased at United Men's Store and Papier in Sewickley.

Two World Cup soccer tickets for the Saturday, June 18, game between the United States and Switzerland will go to the lucky winners.

Tickets are \$2. The winners will be announced Sunday, May 22.

Monies raised will go for field acquisition. SAS youths have been selling Snickers candy bars to raise money for more fields.

The World Cup tickets were donated by Snickers, an official sponsor of the World Cup and a major sponsor of youth soccer in the United States.

For more information, call Julie Rickert at 741-2366.

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# The Stingers to headline tournament at SporTrak

The Pittsburgh Stingers, the city's new professional indoor soccer league team, will headline the Challenge Cup Tournament this Friday and Saturday at SporTrak in Sewickley.

The Stingers will play the Carolina Vipers following the 6 p.m. contest between the Detroit Neon and the Washington Warthogs.

On Saturday, the Stingers will play Washington following the 6 p.m. game between Detroit and Carolina.

Tickets are \$5 per night, \$3 for children under 18. For more information, call 612-

1935 or SporTrak at 741-7707.

The Stingers will practice at both SporTrak and the Tri-County Soccer and Sports Center in Cranberry.

They start regular season play Sunday, June 18, at the Civic Arena against the Arizona Sandsharks.

Sewickley Academy head boys' soccer coach Dave Kasper, 28, is playing on the team. He is the new head men's soccer coach at Duquesne.

He once played professional indoor soccer for Los Angeles and Milwaukee.

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**SWEET TOOTH:**

Contest winners from Sewickley Area Soccer (SAS) are from the left: Leo Moss, Marilyn Vogel, Jason Kastrounis, Carl Unger, Jon Bikowski, Rachel Vogel, Doug Runyan and Larry Goldfarb. SAS youths sold more than 7,000 boxes of Snicker's candy bars to raise money for field acquisition. Gift certificates were donated by United Men's Store of Sewickley and Sol's of Ambridge.

# WORLD CUP '94

## Use of television crucial to sport's popularity in U.S.

(First in a series)

**T**urn on your television set in less than a month and a foreign sport - but not to Sewickleyans - will dominate the programming.

The world's most popular sport - soccer - is coming to the United States. Although it's the most popular sport on six continents, soccer never has caught on here.

And I know the reason why: Outdoor soccer is not television-friendly.

If you ever catch the sport on ESPN2 on Sunday mornings, you'll immediately see what I mean.

One of the most noticeable signs is that soccer is played on a space larger than a football field.

A camera man has difficulty keeping the entire view of the game on screen. If he opts to pan back, the 22 players scurrying around on the field look like ants, and the sport loses its human side.



By Frank Tiboni  
Staff writer

The speed of the game also detracts from the sport on TV.

Any skilled player can kick the ball 50 yards at will, so how can the camera keep up with the ball? It can't.

Even the South American teams, which employ a ball-control style, are tough to follow. That's because to keep the scope of play in view, the shot is too far back.

By far, the most significant drawback in making us into soccer fanatics is the sport's

continuous play.

Everyone knows an American's timespan is short. Following the soccer ball for 45-minute spans at a distance on the screen explains why we as a nation are turned off.

Consider this: In football, an average play takes no more than 15 seconds.

In that amount of time, the camera can zoom in on the line of scrimmage, getting a close-up of all the players digging in. As the play occurs, the camera

follows the man with the ball closely within the scope of field.

And baseball?

Played on a field larger in circumference than football, baseball would appear to be harder to follow. But one-on-one matchups of America's pastime plays to its strength on TV.

From centerfield, the camera zooms in behind the pitcher, with the batter, catcher and umpire all in sight. The viewer can closely see the catcher giving signs, the pitcher fiddling in his glove and winding up, the human expressions of the batter, the umpire making the call.

Yes, soccer has all that: physical contact and human emotions. Yet, from such a far distance on the television screen, that's virtually impossible to detect.

Gene Klein, head boys' soccer coach at Quaker Valley, agrees that soccer may not be at its best advantage on TV.

He concurs that the sport's inability to keep the game in full scope on TV is a problem. "But that's what I want to see," he admits.

And that's what we should

want to see, too.

When you watch the World Cup on television, focus on the game as it *is*. Check to see on which end of the field the primary play occurs - in other words, what team is doing the controlling.

Don't be turned off by the game from a distance. Ed Walters, head girls' coach at Sewickley Academy, sees soccer as a game of control.

Follow the short passes, how the team is working the ball, what side of the opponent it being pressured.

From the television perspective, give the viewer *petro* glimpses of the players showcasing their skills and exuding their emotions.

But most of all, just enjoy the game. The rest of the world does.

There must be something we Americans are missing.

**Next week: Nation's culture reflects style of play.**

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# Local players garner laurels in Western Pa. championships

A number of local soccer players competed successfully in the Pennsylvania West State Challenge Cup tournament, held June 3-5, at Edinboro University.

The Sewickley Hotspurs boys team advanced to the U.S. Regionals for the seventh consecutive year, and four girls teams with several local players advanced to the Region I Championships, at Princeton, N.J., which will be held in July.

## Boys

**Under-19:** Sewickley Hotspurs (wild card) 3, P.F. Rowdies 1. Local players: (S) Kevin Kross, Don Gebhardt.

**Under-16:** Pittsburgh Strikers 4, Penns Forest 3. Local players: (PS) Armand Fenger, Justin Glessner, Phil Oxendine, Seth Perkovich, Coach Dave Murray.

**Under-15:** Sewickley Hotspurs 4, Beadling 2. Local players: (S) Sam Chamovitz, Chris Church, Jobie Glessner, Brad Christoff, Mike Norris, Joel Perkovich, Wilson Pyle, Tim Walters, coaches Mark Perry, Leo Moss, Jeff Rob-



**WINNING GRINS:** Champions in the Pennsylvania West State Challenge cup are, front row from left - Molly Bushman, Laura Lynn, Heather Border, Jill Popovich and Kelly Keenan; middle row - Heather Friday, Karen Hill, Cara Coensich and Tina Jordan; back row - Coach Ted Perri, Liz Gaadt, Heather Orman, Jen Best, Kerry Vanvoris and Assistant Coach David Unico.

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**Under-14:** Beadling 4, Penn's Forest 3 (shootout). Local players: (B) Craig Madara, Eric Roub.

**Under-13:** Beadling 3, Pittsburgh Strikers. Local player: (B) Paul Polakoff.

**Under-12:** North Stars 4, Beadling 0 (wild card). Local players: (B) Clay Deutsch, Tyler Dewhurst and Shane Hogan.

## Girls

**Under-19:** Wafa-UB2, Erie Lakers 0. Local players: (W) Cara Coensich, Liz Gaadt, Tina Jordan.

**Under-17:** Pittsburgh Strikers 4, Beadling 3. Local players: (P) Rachel Stroup, (B) Jen Tedesco, Katie Hayes, Coach Jen Vesic.

**Under-16:** Beadling 3, Pittsburgh Strikers 0. Local player: (B) Mindy Ruprecht.

**Under-15:** Beadling 5, St. Thomas Moore 0. Local players: (B) Beth Coensich, Rouxy Vezza, Missy Smoley, Amy Havrilla, Stephanie Kirk, Melissa Tusick and Coach Dom Vezza.





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### CAS now holding fall registration

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Forms can be picked up and delivered back to the United Men's Store, Sewickley. In-person sign-ups have been set for Saturday, July 23, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Edgeworth School.

All boys and girls born between July 31, 1978, and Aug. 1, 1980, are eligible to play. Micro soccer will be held for youths 8 years of age.

For information, call Julia Rickert at 741-2206.



LOCAL NOT SHOTS who competed at the U.S. Region 1 Soccer Championships are from the left: Phil Oxendine, Liz Gaadt, Armann Fenger, Seth Perkovich, Kara Csensich and Justin Glessner.

Photo by George Gaadt

## Sewickley area players star at U.S. Region 1 Championships

### Three local teams advance to semi-finals

The Sewickley Valley area made its presence felt at the United States Region 1 Soccer Championships at Rider College in New Jersey this month.

Twenty-eight local players competed on 11 of the 18 Pennsylvania-West squads at the tournament.

The number of athletes from this area taking part in the event is remarkable, considering there were 252 teams and 5,000 players from 15 states attempting to advance to the National Championships to be held July 27-31 in Blaine, Minn.

Only three squads with local players made it to the semi-finals, but they lost to teams from New York and Connecticut.

Local athletes taking part in the tournament were:

- Under-19: Dan Gebhart, Kevin Kress, Kara Csensich, Liz Gaadt and Tina Jordan.

- Under-18: Armann Fenger, Justin Glessner, Phil Oxendine and Seth Perkovich.

- Under-17: Joe Christof, Rachel Stroup and Abby Wilcox.

- Under-16: Mindy Ruprecht.

- Under-15: Sam Chamovitz, Brad Christof, Chris Churchill, Jobie Glessner, Greg Modie, Mike Norris, Joel Perkovich, Wilson Pyle, Tim Walters, Bethany Csensich and Rochelle Vezza.

- Under-14: Craig Madara and Eric Rubb.

- Under-13: Ross Rickert.

- Under-12: Tyler Dewhurst.

# QV boys give soccer clinic in defeating PT, 1-0

By FRANK TIMONI  
Staff writer

Soccer is a game that is meant to be played on grass.

On Astor-Frost, fourth-grade teams around like a pinball, detracting from the ball-possession and ball-control style on which the sport is based.

But the Quaker Valley boys' soccer team was like a wizard this past Saturday as it gave a clinic on the fundamentals of soccer on the new, green carpet at Peters Township (PT), defeating the Indians 1-0.

Joe Christof's goal, a 20-yard low bullet at the 8:44 mark of the first

quarter, was the game-winner. "I was just standing there in support," commented Christof after the game. "I took a low, hard shot and it went in."

For anyone watching the game from the sidelines, the Quakers were more of a team than instrumentally than PT. However, according to Christof and QV Coach Gene Klein, that was not the difference.

"I think we wanted it more than them," Christof pointed out.

Said Klein: "We played very hard." Klein added that Quaker Valley's ability to rattle the ball in the midfield was another major factor in his team's victory.

QV dominated the first quarter of play, but PT started to exert pressure in the

QUAKER VALLEY.....1 0 0 0-1  
Peters Township.....0 0 0 0-0

First quarter: QV - Joe Christof, 8:44.

Second quarter: None.

Third quarter: None.

Fourth quarter: None.

Shots on goal: QV - 20.

Saves: QV - Gouker, 7.

Jobie Glessner handed out to prevent a goal. Glessner's save was the defensive play of the game.

Once again at 2:39, Gouker came up with a big save on Evans to take a 1-0 lead in the halftime.

And in both the third and fourth quarters, Gouker and the QV defense rose to the occasion off Evans to preserve the 1-0 non-overtime victory.

QV had 10 shots on goals, with Gouker's tallying seven saves.

In other games last week, the Quakers defeated Blackhawk 6-0 and Ambridge 1-0.

QV (6-0 overall, 3-0 in Section IV-AAA, first place) has its next game tomorrow at Beaver at 4 p.m.

next 20 minutes.

At 11:03 in the second quarter, Quaker Valley goalkeeper Phil Gouker was caught out of his box; then PT's star midfielder Justin Evans took a wicked shot that QV's

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### SA's Walters still looking for the skills

The Sewickley Academy girls' soccer team might have defeated Avonworth and Beaver last week, but wins are not enough for SA Coach Ed Walters.

He also wants his players to play the game correctly, which means proper positioning and making better runs. And Walters began to see his Lady Panthers progress, in those fundamentals against the Lady Lopes, winning 5-1.

Shelley Harris, Ashley Pyle, Danielle Miller, Jillian Miller and Meredith Daniels all scored in a well-balanced attack. "We're getting better," noted Walters. "We're controlling the ball better."

SA's star forward Abby Wilcox added four assists.

In the 4-1 win over Beaver, Danielle Miller scored two goals. Ms. Harris and Ms. Wilcox added the others.

In the two games, Walters lauded the play of Ms. Harris - "She's - controlling the



CONTROLLING THE ball for the Lady Panthers is Shelley Harris (right).

Photo by Ed Gallico

midfield" - defender Missy Lewis, and, of course, Ms. Wilcox.

Earlier in the week, the Academy lost to Hopewell in what Walters called a "disaster."

"We made some mistakes defensively," Walters admitted. "It's a game we should learn from."

SA (3-2 overall, 3-2 in Section II) has its next game today at Ambridge at 4 p.m.

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### SA/QV boys to clash at last on Saturday

The long-awaited matchup between the Quaker Valley (6-0) and Sewickley Academy (3-3) boys' soccer teams will finally take place this Saturday at 11 a.m. at Nichols Field.

Last year, the two teams did not play each other in the regular season.

But it looked as though the two teams would meet in the WPIAL AA Championship game. However, the Academy lost to South Fayette in the semifinals.

How does this year's SA squad stack up without 50-goal scorer Jason Smolc?

"Actually, I think this year's team is better," boasted Panthers' Coach Uwe Stender. "We have more depth and now have playoff experience."

Stender emphasized that the Ryan Froman/Wilson Pyle combination is one not to be taken lightly.

Sizing up QV, Stender sees it as a "very quick, very skilled team." When asked how he intends to play the Quakers,

Stender says he wants to play an open game utilizing Sewickley Academy's quick passing and to aggressively attack the net.

Stender would not go so far as to guarantee a victory, but conceded he does believe his team can beat the Quakers.

Asked for his comments on the game, Klein said the Academy will be "a good test."

This year's team may not be as explosive as in years past, he admitted, but it plays very well together and is well-balanced.

Earlier in the week, SA defeated Taylor 4-1, Urdorice 4-3, South Fayette 7-0 and Our Lady of the Sacred Heart 2-1.

Froman, assisted by Wilson Pyle, scored the game winner in the fourth quarter to defeat the Dragons.

Pyle also had a big day against the Lions, netting four goals.

Walker Modic scored the game winner against the Chargers.

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# Composed QV soccer boys stave off SA, 4-2

Finally.

Quaker Valley and Sewickley Academy met for a boys' soccer match on Saturday, a clash anticipated to have been played out for the WPIAL AA Championship last fall.

"The pressure's on them, not us," noted SA Head Coach Uwe Stender before the game. But QV Head Coach Gene Klein showed no signs of nerves.

"My thoughts before the game? I wish the benches were on the other side of the field (in the shade)," he quipped.

The game action saw temperatures rise, as a total of 31 fouls were called during the match, which QV took, 4-2.

"We wanted to try to control the ball in the midfield, but they did a good job to disrupt us," admitted Klein.

SA's Tim Walters booted a direct kick to give the Panthers an eye-opening 1-0 advantage in starting the second period.

"We just had to keep our composure," said Klein. "We did and were able to

QUAKER VALLEY.....0 1 3 0 - 4  
SEWICKLEY ACADEMY...0 1 0 1 - 2

3Q: None.

2Q: SA - Tim Walters, 6 (Bill Miller, 3), 23:00; QV - Armann Fenger, 9 (Jon Rickert), 11, 23:00.

1Q: QV - Brad Christof, 7 (Armann Fenger, 3), 4:00; QV - Andrew Marwaha, 1, 13:00; QV - Chad Churchill, 3 (Armann Fenger, 2), 23:00.

4Q: SA - Ryan Froman, 13 (Tim Walters, 12), 23:00.

Photo: QV - 11; SA - 0. Score: QV - 4; SA - 2.

capitalize on our opportunities."

And just in time, as QV's Armann Fenger re-directed a ball from Jon Rickert to tie it before the half.

A period later, the Panthers' valiant effort was a distant memory.

Minutes into the third, QV's Brad Christof lined a score just inside the right post. Then Andy Marwaha doubled the Quaker lead with a header.

At the 55-minute mark, QV's Chris Churchill lined a ball that appeared to be headed for the other sideline. It was

headed, at least: headed by a diving Chad Froman, who followed his shot with a picture-perfect slide into the SA goal.

"Since I'm so tall, I love using my head," shared Froman. "It's one of my best weapons."

"I had missed a corner (header) earlier in the game. I wasn't going to let that one go by."

Another Walters direct kick was finished by SA's Ryan Froman (no relation to Chad) midway through the fourth to end the scoring.

QV advanced to 9-0 (5-0 in Section 4). The Academy fell to 5-5 (4-2 in Section 8).

"Quaker Valley is a very good team," said Stender. "I don't want to take away from that. But it's very difficult to play against 13 people - and I mean the other team and two officials."

"I can't say I'm disappointed."

SA captain keeper Ganter Ludwig, out with a separated shoulder, won't play until the post-season, where Stender sees his team.

"I'm looking forward to possibly playing QV in the playoffs," mused Stender. "We're probably the only triple-A, double-A, any-A team that can beat them."

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# SA girls upset QV, 3-2

By FRANK TIBONI  
Staff writer

When Quaker Valley's Emily Parris scored a goal midway through the fourth quarter to tie the game at 2-2, Sewickley Academy attacker Ashley Pyle really got upset.

"I told Abby Wilcox, we're not going to lose this game," Ms. Pyle exclaimed.

Twenty seconds later, Ms. Pyle and Ms. Wilcox traded passes as they weaved through the QV defense, and Ms. Pyle took a shot 15 yards out. It sailed over the outstretched hands of goalkeeper Lori Gross to score the game-winning goal.

So how does it feel to beat

Quaker Valley for the first time? Coach Ed Walters, senior Stacy Pustkar, Ms. Pyle and Ms. Wilcox all said, "It feels great."

Added Walters: "If we could control the ball, thus play our game, I knew we could win."

QV Coach Dom Vezza summed up his team's loss after the game to poor shooting. "Two years ago, we scored 100 goals. Last year, we netted 60. This year we'll be lucky to score 30."

SA scored two goals in the first five minutes, the first by Shelley Harris with Ms. Wilcox assisting. Then Ms. Pyle netted another unassisted.

QV and SA now are both tied for second place in Section II with 5-2 records.

## Soccer

Local Pittsburgh Stingers' soccer players Dave Kasper and Ken Pryor have finished up their season.

The Stingers lost to the Dallas Sidekicks 5-3 in the CISL Eastern Division playoffs.

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## QV/SA girls battling for playoff spot

The Quaker Valley and Sewickley Academy girls' soccer teams are still battling for a playoff spot in Section II.

But the Lady Quakers now have a leg up on the Lady Panthers because SA lost to Moon 5-1 Monday night to fall to 6-3 in the section. "We were not prepared to play against Moon," Walters noted.

Danielle Miller scored the Academy's goal in the game, assisted by Ashley Pyle.

Earlier in the week, the Lady

Panthers defeated Center 3-1. Ms. Miller and Abby Wilcox netted goals for SA. Shelley Harris assisted on Ms. Wilcox's goal.

With a 2-0 win over Beaver Monday night, Quaker Valley upped its record to 7-2, two go a game ahead of the Academy, but trailing Moon and Hopewell by one game.

"It was a hard, physical game," QV Coach Dom Vezza pointed out.

Roey Vezza netted both goals for the Lady Quakers off free kicks.

Earlier in the week, Quaker Valley had to go to double overtime to defeat Ambridge, 3-1. Bethany Czencich, Christy Poluso and Ms. Vezza added goals.

Today, QV's play-off hopes rest on defeating Moon. "We're going to have to finish better in order to win," said Vezza. The match at Moon Stadium starts at 7:30 p.m.

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# QV boys bounce back after loss to Moon

By **DUTCH MAHER**  
Staff writer

Quaker Valley had a head-up on the competition last Thursday.

When QV's Armana Fenger headed a ball past Montour just two shots on goal Barefoot to initiate the scoring in the Section IV-AAA match, one fan downplayed the skills of the Quakers, the defending state AA champs.

"Come on, Montour, don't get intimidated. They're not Supermen."

Perhaps not, but if one Quaker deserves to sport an 'S' under his jersey, it would be Fenger, who ripped Montour for a hat trick before the first period expired.

QV went on to a 5-0 win.

"They played the high balls. We're not a team that can play in the air," said Montour Coach Bo Williams.

Montour players gave up several inches of height to the Quakers, including Fenger, a 6-foot-4 senior. Williams did his best to combat his team's shortcoming, matching midfielder Joe Garvin with the QV forward.

It did not matter, as the Quakers rebounded from their first setback of the season, a 3-1 loss at home to Moon.

"They were ticked off," QV Coach Gene Klein said of his players reaction to the Moon loss. "We knew we played

better and made some mental mistakes that hurt us.

The Quakers played keep-away from Montour the entire afternoon, allowing Montour just two shots on goal in the contest, from senior Tim Restellini and sophomore Bryan Dievies.

Fenger tallied three attempts of his own on the scoreboard within a 10-minute span of the first quarter.

At 10:53, the forward foot-wizard dribbled through the Montour defense and smoothly pushed the ball with the outside of his left foot and into the net.

Four minutes later, Barefoot batted down a head ball, only to have the rebound sent into the net by Fenger.

QV was held scoreless until midway through the third, when Quaker seniors connected, Andy Marwaha feeding Ryan Croyle.

Fenger was at it again in the fourth, assisting QV sophomore Brad Christaf.

The Quakers battled to a 1-1 deadlock with Upper Saint Clair on Saturday, QV's lone score coming on a Chris Churchill penalty kick, two minutes into the third period.

"We had some good chances and we could've won," said Klein. "But so could they. Unfortunately, we couldn't get the goals. It was a really good effort, though."

QV now stands at 10-1-1, 6-1 in Section IV-AAA.

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# SA boys have showdown with OLSH tomorrow

How sweet it is.

The Sewickley Academy boys' soccer team got its revenge against Carlynton this past weekend with a 4-0 victory to set up a match at section-leading Our Lady of Sacred Heart tomorrow that has certain playoff implications.

The Panthers received a tally in each period, from sophomore forward Wilson Pyle, sophomore midfielder John Nevin, sophomore midfielder Tim Walters and junior midfielder Walker Modic, to erase the memory of a 3-1, Sept. 6 loss at Carlynton.

"At the time, it was a big disappointment," said Stender of the loss. "They have one or two good players, but they are not a very good soccer team."

"They are just physical and they intimidated us in the first game," added the SA coach. "We're mentally and physically a tougher team now."

"Realistically speaking, they had no chance."

SA advanced to 7-5 overall, 6-2 in Section VIII-AA.

"I'm convinced our kids are motivated enough," said Stender. "We should be ready to play. We always get in trouble when we think our opponent is not worthy. We shouldn't have lost any games in the section."

"If we are ready to play, there's nobody in the section that can beat us."

SA looked unbeatable as sophomore sweeper Bill Pesce recorded a hat trick and Wilson Pyle, Ryan Froman and Ganter Ludwig added solo scores in the Academy's blanking of West Allegheny last week, 6-0.

"We played very well," said Stender. "The shots were, like, 43-2. We didn't finish well, but we played a very intense, well-played game."

Ludwig's return has the Academy primed for a post-season run.

"Unless we majorly mess up, we should make the playoffs," Stender teased.



## QV girls still in playoff mix

The Quaker Valley girls' soccer team is not out of the playoff mix yet, but the best it can do is finish in second place in Section II.

The Lady Quakers have to win the rest of their games, including a match against Hopewell Monday to finish with three losses. Because Hopewell defeated Moon 2-1 Monday night, Hopewell has one loss in the section and Moon two.

A win over Hopewell would give both the Lady Titans and the Lady Tigers two losses and would tie for first place. It is then possible the WPIAL would let QV into the playoffs because it finished in second place.

"That's what we're shooting for," admits QV Coach Dom Vezza.

Monday night, Quaker Valley defeated Montour 5-0 with Rachel Stroup, Christy Peluso, Jill Krieger, Beth Bogdewic, and Jen Potter netting goals.

Earlier in the week, the Lady Quakers lost a heartbreaker to Moon by a score of 1-0.

"We just didn't finish," Vezza said.

"We had 10 shots on goal, five corner kicks, but no goals to show."

## SA girls out

A 4-1 loss to Hopewell last week dropped the Sewickley Academy girls' soccer team out of the playoff picture in Section II.

Monday night, the Lady Panthers defeated Beaver 1-0 on a goal from Shelley Harris, assisted from Ashley Pyle. This past Saturday, SA lost to Taylor Allderdice in a non-section contest 2-1 with Danielle Miller scoring.

SA's next game is today at home against Montour. It starts at 4 p.m.



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## Academy boys' playoff hopes still alive despite loss to OLSH

By NUTCH MAHER and GARY WITT  
Staff writers

With four section matches, the chances are pretty good the Sewickley Academy boys' soccer team, 9-7 overall, 7-3 in Section VIII, can still make the playoffs.

After all, SA has four matches remaining in the section, all against teams ranked below them.

"We still own our own destiny," said SA coach Uwe Stender going into his team's match at South Fayette yesterday.

"The next matches should be wins." SA had a chance to win the section outright, but could not capitalize on its opportunities at Our Lady of Sacred Heart this past Thursday.

Prior to the Panthers' second go-around with OLSH, Stender was confident his team could win by three or four goals. The Academy had beaten the Chargers 2-1 in their prior meeting.

What Stender saw instead was his team's defensive errors during the game in losing 1-0. The win put OLSH in sole possession of first place at 8-1-1.

Some of SA's problems in catching up have been due to the absence of sophomore striker Wilson Pyle. Pyle received a red card in the Panthers' 5-0 win over Chartiers Houston on Oct. 4.

OLSH's goal came late in the fourth period when the middle of the Panther defense broke down and allowed Pat Michel to go one-on-one with Arbogast. Michel beat Arbogast with a fast-roller toward the right corner.

"Except making the same mistakes in the middle of our defense," said Stender. "Michel will score if you give him enough

The Panthers thought they had a goal in the third as a Ryan Froman shot was juggled and finally corralled just inside the right post. SA players begged for officials to signal a score, but the ruling was no goal.

The inexperience appeared again as SA lost 3-0 to Moon on Oct. 8 in a non-section match.

"All season, we've made the same mistakes," said Stender. "We don't communicate defensively and players get upset and lose concentration."

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## Sophomores stepping up for QV boys

Just because the Quaker Valley boys' soccer team has lost a key senior for the season, opponents know the Quakers are no softies.

They are more like soph-ties. Since Joe Christof went down with a blown anterior cruciate ligament, underclassmen, such as sophomores Chris Churchill and Brad Christof, have raised their game a level and the defending state champs have missed nary a beat.

"They're quality players," said QV Coach Gene Klein. "I'm not surprised in their ability to step up. They can play with anyone."

And not just anyone visits the QV field this Saturday, as the Quakers host 10-4 Fox Chapel.

Thomas Cavanaugh, a midfielder/striker, is one of the better players in the WPIAL, commented Klein of his opponent. "John Tabis, another quick little midfielder, is also pretty dangerous."

This past Thursday at home, QV flirted dangerously with letting Ambridge steal a win on the road, yet overcame the Bridgers, 3-0, on tallies by Churchill and Christof.

The Quakers failed to put any shots into the net in the first half, though most of the first 40 minutes of playing time was spent on the Bridger side of the field.

Finally, Churchill placed a direct kick in the upper left corner of the Ambridge goal to record the initial score of the game, mid-way through the third period.

And with less than 14 minutes to play in the contest, Quaker Chad Froman dribbled through the Ambridge goal box, only to be tripped up.

Teammate Brad Christof alertly took the ball like a football, deflected it off the Bridger goalie, and created the final margin of victory.

"I saw Chad fall down and the goalie coming, the ball popped up and I just got there first," said Christof. "I got real hungry around the box."

QV blanked Hopewell Oct. 4, 3-0, behind goals by Christof, Churchill and John Gleason. QV now stands at 10-4-1 overall, 7-1 in Section IV.

## QV boys tie Moon 1-1 to finish second in section Neshannock is playoff opponent

By FRANK TIBONI and CHUCK CURTI  
Staff writers

When Moon and Quaker Valley went to the fourth quarter tied at one, Tigers' Coach Arne Thomas decided he would settle for a tie.

A tie would give Moon an 11-0-3 section record and leave the Quakers at 12-1-1. Both teams would end section play with 25 points, but by virtue of its "0" in the loss column, the Tigers would be declared the section champs.

Thomas got what he hoped for, as both teams went scoreless in the fourth period, and two overtime periods, 1-1.

The Quakers dominated most of the early action, outshooting Moon 8-3 in the first two periods.

But Tiger senior forward Mike Daniele was in the right place at the right time to give his team a 1-0 lead at 7:02 of the second period.

Moon received a direct kick just outside the box, but QV keeper Phil Gouker was able to punch the shot away.

Unfortunately, he punched it right to Daniele, who beat an unsuspecting QV defense with a bullet to the middle of the net.

The lead held up at half-time.

The Tigers' defense, and in particular, Brent Segelen, held Quakers' star Armann Fenger to just one shot in the first half.

As the old saying goes, however, it is hard to keep a good man down. Midway through the third quarter, Fenger returned the favor by scoring off of a rebound to tie the

game at 1-1.

"They were tough on defense," said Fenger. "And we didn't capitalize when we should have."

The tale was in the shot totals: QV outgunned Moon 24-11.

Fenger said the Quakers aren't disappointed with the second-place finish. And he still maintains his team is the cream of the crop.

"In both games, I felt we outplayed Moon," said Fenger.

"The first game we lost 3-1, but we had some mental lapses. I feel we're the best team in the section."

Heading into the playoffs, the Quakers are feeling better about their play than they ever have.

The added competition of playing in a AAA section has been a benefit.

"Last year, our practices were so hard; that's how we stayed in shape," Fenger noted. "We showed up (at games), scored, and left. This year, we played soccer."

### Neshannock next

Quaker Valley returned to AA competition to play Neshannock yesterday in the WPIAL Quarterfinals at Moon Stadium.

Because of the Herald's Monday deadline, the score was not available.

A victory for Quaker Valley would advance the team to play the winner of the Southmoreland/South Park contest.

A site and time is still to be determined.

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## SA boys beats Shady Side in shootout; to play EA in AA quarterfinals tonight

By FRANK TIBONI and BUTCH MAIER  
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If Sewickley Academy hopes to beat East Allegheny on the road tonight at 7 p.m., SA Coach Uwe Stender says his team will have to neutralize EA's center.

"They have two good players by the name of Hopper and Kapril," noted Stender. "We will need to stop them to win."

The Panthers earned the right to play the Wildcats in the WPIAL AA Quarterfinals after defeating Shady Side Academy in a shootout Monday afternoon, 4-3.

With the game tied 3-3 in the shootout, SA's Bill Peseo scored, and keeper Ganter Ludwig made the next save, for the victory.

The Indians led 1-0 at the half, but in the third period, the Panthers' Eric Rubb found the nets from an assist from Jon Sadd to tie the game.

And that's the way the game ended in regulation. Neither team scored in the first over-

time or the sudden death overtime period.

"I've never seen better high-school goalkeeping than the way Ludwig played against Shady Side," added Stender.

• The Academy defeated West Allegheny 3-0 on Oct. 27, to finish the regular season 13-7 (11-3, good for second-place in Section VIII).

Wilson Pyle, Tim Walters and Tom Arbogast each found the net for SA.

"We got a young team to the playoffs," Stender continued. "My big goal is accomplished. Anything else we achieve is just a bonus."

Pyle and Ryan Froman each had a hat trick and combined for eight goals, as the Panthers blanked Canevin, 12-0, on Oct. 25.

"We're looking really great," Stender mused. "Wilson Pyle and Ryan Froman have found their scoring shoes, and Ganter Ludwig has recorded three consecutive shutouts in the three games he has played in goal."

Veranus Canevin, Ganter Ludwig left his keeper position to tally two scores, and Sadd and Arbogast each added a goal for SA.

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## Quaker Valley girls fail to make WPIAL playoffs

### First time in four seasons the Lady Quakers not in tourney

By FRANK TIBONI  
Staff writer

The Quaker Valley girls' soccer team will not see post-season action this year.

The Lady Quakers finished with a record of 11-3, which placed them in second place in Section II. In past years, a second-place ending would have been good enough to make the playoffs.

However, with Moon and Hopewell tying for first place, those teams will represent Section II.

Last week, QV Coach Don Vezza still left the door open that his team could still get in the playoffs. But WPIAL executive secretary Chuck Heberling confirmed that if two teams tie for first, only those squads will qualify for the playoffs. Heberling pointed out that if two teams finished the year tied for sec-

ond place, then both teams would make the playoffs.

The Quaker Valley girls' soccer team made it interesting till the end, though, by defeating Sewickley Academy 1-0, Hopewell 2-1, Center 6-6, and tying Center 6-6.

Against the Academy, QV's Jen Potter scored an unassisted goal with 10 minutes left in the third quarter.

Against Hopewell, the Lady Titans scored first when Aurora Veri found the net. But in the third period, the Lady Quakers' Roey Vezza tied the game on a penalty kick.

And in the fourth period, Kristen Norris scored with less than five minutes left in the game from an assist from Ms. Potter. QV keeper Lori Gross recorded three saves.

Against Center, Christy Peluso netted two goals, with Beth Bogdewic adding two assists.

By Frank About  
Staff writer



### QV/SA 'dream match' could occur this week

**T**his is the week the "Dream Match," as dubbed by Sewickley Academy boys' soccer coach Uwe Stender, could happen.

It will happen if Quaker Valley defeats South Park and if the Panthers can manage to get by Steel Valley and the Strom brothers, who act more like the "Odd Couple."

It is believed the AA championship game will take place tomorrow at either North Allegheny or Chartiers Valley. Call Quaker Valley or the Academy for game, location and time.

Last year, both teams made it to the semifinals with Quaker Valley advancing, and later winning, the AA title. SA lost to East Allegheny at Fox Chapel — ironically, the same field where the team will play the Ironmen this week.

QV and SA met earlier this year at Nichols Field, where the Quakers won the day, 4-2. But it was not an easy win for Gene Klein's team.

The Quakers had to come from behind in the Panthers' den for the win. So logic would say that QV should win again.

And that might well be the case. Of course, there will be some distinct differences this time around.

Stender, more aptly known as the "Blonde Boss" for his golden locks, predicts a marked change with Ganter Ludwig in the nets. In the first QV/SA encounter, Ludwig played the field while Tom Arbogast tended.

Ludwig has looked spectacular in the post-season, especially against Shady Side Academy.

Still, I don't think Quaker Valley is intimidated by the former spike-haired netminder. Two years ago, the Quakers touched up Ludwig for seven goals, five in the first quarter, as QV pounded SA, 7-1.

The other significant difference will be the absence of Joe Christof in the Quaker Valley lineup.

Sidelines by an injury to the ACL knee ligament, which required surgery, he will be watching the game from the bench. Nevertheless, the Quakers have survived without Christof, their playmaker.

Klein had no comment on the possible meeting, declining to look past the Eagles. Stender, excited about the matchup, did say if the main event happens, it would not be an easy one for the Quakers.

As of now, this is all speculation unless both QV and SA win.

I hope they do.

## Steel Valley defeats QV in finals

By FRANK TIBONI  
Staff writer

Quaker Valley senior forward Armann Fenger clutched the trophy awarded to the WPIAL AA boys' soccer runners-up last week after the Quakers lost to Steel Valley 1-0 in the finals.

And when he was asked if he enjoyed holding the silver consolation prize, the blonde-haired Fenger merely shook his head in disgust.

The Quakers were trying to become the first team in WPIAL history to win four consecutive titles, but it was not to be on that brisk Thursday night on the Astro-Turf at Peters Township.

The game-winning goal came at the 13:34 mark of the fourth period, when SV midfielder Tony Barron headed the ball past QV goalkeeper Phil Gouker.

A somber QV Coach Gene Klein said after the game that his team was beaten twice in the air on that play - a feat rarely accomplished against his team.

Klein talked to his team at length after the game. When asked what he said, he offered that he told his players that Steel Valley is a good team. Klein reminded his squad that if it wins in the PIAA AA tournament, the two teams could meet again.

This week, Quaker Valley plays Conemaugh Township in the first round of the tourney.

If it beats Conemaugh in Somerset, it will play the winner of the Sewickley Academy/Mercyhurst Prep match tomorrow.

• QV got to the finals by defeating South Park 5-1. Brad Christof and Fenger had two goals apiece.

## SA loses to SV in WPIAL AA semis

### Panthers to take on Mercyhurst Prep in PIAA AA tourney

The dream match-up of Sewickley Academy versus Quaker Valley in the AA boys' soccer final didn't materialize last week, as Steel Valley defeated the Panthers in the AA semis, 2-1.

SA Coach Uwe Stender described the loss to the Ironmen as "very disappointing." He said his team was very flat on the field, and simply did not come ready to play.

For the first 30 seconds of the game, though, the Academy was not flat. Eric Rubb scored. "I think after we scored that fast, the team thought it would be that kind of day," Stender pointed out.

But later in the first quarter, Steel Valley responded with a goal of its own by John Strom to tie the game at 1-1.

And as the match went on, the Ironmen became more confident. "I don't know if it was the weather, or that as a young team, we tend to lose some emotion. But Steel Valley became hungry and that is dangerous," added Stender.

In the third quarter, Strom netted his second

goal of the game, and that was the game-winner.

Despite Sewickley Academy's not reaching its goal of making it to the WPIAL AA Championship, the Panthers did qualify for the PIAA AA Tournament and plays Erie's Mercyhurst Prep this week at St. Gerard outside Erie.

Stender says that both his team and Mercyhurst are equal in talent and that the deciding factor will be whether his team is motivated for the match.

"I'll try to get them up by telling them they have a chance to play Quaker Valley and Steel Valley in subsequent rounds if they keep winning," said Stender. "It would be like playing for the WPIAL AA championship again."

If SA defeats Mercyhurst and QV defeats Conemaugh Township, the two teams would meet tomorrow at probably either Moon or North Allegheny. Call the schools today for team, site and time.

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## QV, SA lead voting on All-Coaches' team

### Quaker Valley High School's Armann Fenger voted MVP in Section IV

Both Quaker Valley and Sewickley Academy had an impressive number of players picked to be on the All-Coaches' team in boys' soccer.

The Panthers led Section VIII-AA in selections with five.

They are senior midfielder Ganter Ludwig; junior midfielder Ryan Froman; and sophomores Bill Pesce, a defender; Wilson Pyle, a midfielder; and Tim Walters, also a midfielder.

Named to the honorable-mention squad was sophomore defender Eric Rubb.

Quaker Valley had four players picked to the All-Coaches' team to lead Section IV-AAA-AA.

They are senior forward Armann Fenger, senior forward Chad Froman, senior midfielder Joe Christof and sophomore defender Chris Churchill.

Named to the honorable-mention squad was senior goalkeeper Phil Gouker.

Fenger was chosen Most Valuable Player in Section IV-AAA-AA.

Both Quaker Valley and Sewickley Academy finished in second place in their respective sections. Moon and Our Lady of the Sacred Heart finished first.

The two teams advanced to the quarterfinals of the PIAA AA state tournament before the Quakers eliminated the Panthers last week, 2-0.

# QV WINS

## Early goals lead Quakers to a 2-0 victory over Panthers in PIAA AA quarterfinals

By NEAL RILEY  
Staff writer

Sewickley Academy goalkeeper Garter Ludwig found himself defending a net infiltrated by the Quaker Valley offense this past weekend at Mason Stadium.

Ludwig played a great game, but his and his team's efforts were not enough, considering QV's defeating SA 2-0 in the PIAA AA quarterfinals.

Within the first few minutes of the game, the score board showed the Quakers ahead 1-0 as Chad Froman earned the first goal of the afternoon. And before the first quarter was up, Sewickley Academy was down 2-0, the second goal finding its way in off the head of Quaker Valley forward Armand Fenger.

"I think we played real well...we wanted to come out hard, set the tone for the game and try to get a goal early," Fenger said.

Fenger went on to describe his goal: "Froman had the ball on the flank, and it was pretty much open. I don't know who was in front of me; but he missed the ball, and I just put it in. Ludwig just couldn't have done anything about it."

Although two shots got through Ludwig early in the game, he allowed the Quakers to score no more.

To make the situation worse, the Academy was unable to get the ball past QV keeper Phil Gouker, who recorded six saves in the shut-out win.

QV Coach Gene Klein emphasized that Ludwig, who notched nine saves, was tremendous in goal.

"We didn't have a lot of shots, but I thought the ones we had were quality shots," Klein said. "We would have liked to have got the third to maybe put the stamp on it, but I was pleased with the way we were playing."

Sewickley Academy Coach Uwe Stender also was happy with the way his team played.

Stender admitted that more experience could have helped his team in its game with QV, but he felt his players had a good season.



HEADING THE soccer ball is SA's Eric Rubb (#18).

Photo by George Rollinitis

### Steel Valley rematch

The Quaker Valley win over Sewickley Academy advances the Quakers to the PIAA AA semis this week against Steel Valley—a rematch of the WPIAL AA final

in which QV lost 1-0.

If QV is victorious, the Quakers will play the winner of the Wyomissing (24-1-1) and Middleburg (23-2-1) semis' matchup.

Call the school today for team, day, site and time.



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## Local girls picked to all-section teams

### QV forward Rach Stroup finishes third in voting

The Section II All-Coaches and Honorable Mention girls' soccer team were released last week and both Quaker Valley and Sewickley Academy had players picked.

Selected to the first team from Quaker Valley were Rachel Stroup, Christy Feluso and Rochele Vezza. Picked from Sewickley Academy were Ashley Pyle, Stacy Faskar and Abby Wilcox.

Named to the Honorable Mention Team for the Lady Quakers were Bethany Cronch and Beth Bogdewic, while chosen from the Lady Panthers was Shelley Harris.

Ms. Stroup, a senior forward, led QV in points received with 65, followed by Ms. Feluso, a junior midfielder, with 55 points; and Ms. Vezza, a sophomore midfielder, with 30 points.

Likewise, Ms. Pyle, a freshman forward, led SA in points with 36, followed by Ms.

Parker, a senior defender, with 26 points, and Ms. Wilcox, a senior forward, with 24 points.

Leading the votegetters in Section II were freshman Amanda Smith of Moon with 77 points, followed by Kim Zikovich of Hopewell with 67 points and Ms. Stroup third.

The two goalkeepers selected to the All Coaches' Team were Sarah Wilson of Moon and Michelle Pittante of Hopewell.

Both Quaker Valley and Sewickley Academy failed to qualify for the WPIAL Playoffs. It was the first time in four years that the Lady Quakers did not qualify.

The Lady Quakers finished in third place, while the Lady Panthers finished fourth.

This year was the first year in its five-year program that the Academy defeated Quaker Valley in the regular season.

# QV LOSES

## Steel Valley defeats Quaker Valley 2-1 in semis to go on to PIAA AA final game

Sports pundits say the team that wins the rematch is the better team.

If that's the case, the Steel Valley boys' soccer team is better than Quaker Valley. The Ironmen defeated the Quakers for the second time this post-season this year 2-1 in the PIAA AA semifinals to go on to the state championship against Wyomissing.

In the WPIAL AA title game, Steel Valley's Tony Barron scored late in the game to defeat QV, 1-0.

In the rematch, Quaker Valley scored first in the first quarter, when

Clad Froman found the nets off of an assist from Brad Christof. Steel Valley tied it up in the second quarter, when Joe Strom scored on a header.

The two teams played even up for the next two quarters, with the game ending 1-1. But in the first overtime period, John Strom, from an assist from Barron, scored the game-winning goal.

"The difference in the game was that they made great individual plays," pointed out QV Coach Gene Klein.

In the WPIAL final, Klein said Steel Valley was able to control the midfield, so

his team strived to take that part of the game away this time around, and in his opinion, succeeded.

And what impact did the loss of Joe Christof for the season have on the two losses to Steel Valley?

Although Klein and the team did not dwell on the loss of Christof, he did admit that when you lose a player who is one of the best in the state and who can do so many things well, it did make a difference.

"But we're not using it as an excuse," Klein noted.

Rachel Stroup

Christy Peluso

## Two Lady Quakers picked to Finest 44 QV and SA players named to honorable-mention team

By FRANK TIBONI  
Staff writer

Two Quaker Valley girls' soccer players have been chosen to the WPIAL Finest 44 All-Star Team: senior forward Rachel Stroup and junior midfielder Christy Peluso.

Ms. Stroup garnered 11 goals and nine assists for 31 points this season. She completed her career at Quaker Valley with 43 goals and 39 assists for 103 points.

Ms. Stroup helped lead QV to WPIAL titles in 1991 and 1992. She is being recruited by Penn State.

Ms. Peluso recorded nine goals and seven assists for 25 points this year. In her three-year career, she has 16 goals

and 14 assists for 46 career points.

Selected to the honorable-mention squad were two players from Sewickley Academy and one from Quaker Valley.

Picked from the Lady Panthers were senior forward Abby Wilcox and freshman forward Ashley Pyle.

Sophomore midfielder Rochelle Veza was the Lady Quakers' lone choice.

All five girls were selected to the Section II All-Coaches' Team. Ms. Stroup finished third in the voting in the section.

The Quaker Valley girls' soccer team finished in third place in Section II.

Sewickley Academy came in fourth.

## SPORTS

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# QV, SA players on All-State team Quakers' Armann Fenger picked to the squad for the second-straight year

Quaker Valley and Sewickley Academy have five players picked to the All-State team.

QV players picked are senior forward Armann Fenger, senior midfielder Joe Christof and sophomore defender Chris Churchill.

SA players chosen to the team are senior goalkeeper Ganter Ludwig and sophomore forward Wilson Pyle.

For the Quakers' Fenger, it was the second-straight year he was tabbed to the all-state team. He finished this season with 26 goals and 11



Armann Fenger

assists to bring his career total to 93 goals and 50 assists.

Christof netted two goals and two assists before injuring his knee in October. Surgery was required. Churchill, a defender, recorded nine goals and added three assists.

Quaker Valley finished second in Section IV-AAA and was a runner-up in the WPIAL and semi-finalist in the PIAA AA tournament.

For the Panthers' Ludwig, he switched time in between the midfield and goal for before ending the season in the nets. Pyle netted 30 goals.

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## Sign-ups for SAS to begin in January

Registration for Sewickley Area Soccer (SAS) will officially begin the first week of January.

Forms will be mailed the first week of the month, or they can be picked up at the United Men's Store in Sewickley.

Sign-up in person will be held Saturday, Feb. 4, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., inside the Sewickley Academy cafeteria.

Registration will close at 2 p.m. on Feb. 4, and SAS will not guarantee participation in the program for those registering after this time.

Fee for SAS is \$30 per player and \$25 for each additional family member. Micro soccer is \$10.

The Jeffrey Perkins Scholarship Fund is available for those players requiring financial assistance.

For more information on the Jeffrey Perkins Fund, call Stephanie Rakowski at the Sewickley Valley YMCA at 741-YMCA.

Anyone interested in becoming a certified soccer referee may call Bernie Rubb at 741-6771.