

Women's Sports

Women's sports have changed drastically throughout the years. The changes have been anywhere from the uniforms to the ways the girls perform. It is a rough life for athletes, especially women, but it is greatly enjoyed by many. The following information is all about the changes that have taken place in women's sports at Dallastown since they first were allowed to show how much game they have.

To start off the long journey of changes, we need to know when the first teams were put together. "In 1965, Ruth Ann Arnold started out a little shaky when she stepped foot into the world of coaching. She was the first coach for field hockey and was followed by Sue Koller, then myself," quoted Jerri Meyers.

"Another coach was Paulette Henry, whom coached the first girls basketball team. And Miss Arnold did not sell herself short when it came to sports. Not only did she coach field hockey, she topped it all off with volleyball," mentioned Larry Adams.

Before the coaches had talked about which girls would be apart of the teams, of course, you need to know the number of teams you can have before you can pick the players. Mr. Adams stated, "At first there were only nine girls teams and now there are over twenty-four girls teams. The number of teams seem to grow from year to year because the skill level in the girls is raising tremendously."

The next item that is extremely important in any sport is the uniform. They all look different, but make everybody feel like a part of the team. "In field hockey, the uniforms, in the early 1900's, were about only twelve inches above the toes. They were later shortened to above the knees so the girls could run faster and easier," replied Mrs. Meyers.

Mr. Adams added, "In basketball, during the first couple years, girls had to play in kilts (those like field hockey uses). After about two or three seasons the uniforms were changed to shorts and sleeveless jerseys."

Football

Dallastown football has changed quite a bit over the years. Dallastown football is not just about winning, but definite teamwork. Football in Dallastown was started in 1946. "1997 was celebrated as the 50th year, but technically it was the 51st," recalled Mr. John Pitzer. Yet surprisingly, few people are aware of that.

In 1946, there was only a varsity program. "But now," stated Mr. Lou Orndorff, "We have a 7th & 8th grade program, 9th grade program, and that's the junior high, and then there's a J.V. and Varsity program." That's just one of many changes. Many people don't realize how many divisions have been added. It's a great way for kids of all ages to get involved in activities.

Another change Mr. Mike Ketterman brought up was, "The overall commitment to playing football is down. In the 70's and early 80's people enjoyed playing football and enjoyed coming out. Now there are a lot of kids that are allowing themselves to focus on one sport and it has really hurt sports in general." More sports are getting popular, and people are getting involved in more than one sport. And some are finding other extra circular activities to get involved with.

Mr. Orndorff added, "Football equipment has changed a lot for the better. The cleats have gotten smaller and they're made out of a new product. They used to be larger and steel tipped, which could cause more accidents. Training techniques have changed. There is more year round weight conditioning. And our kids now have more specialization, such as camps, and others leagues."

Our rivalry with Red Lion has always been there since football started. "In 1969, Dallastown beat Red Lion for the first time since 1958 and ever since then, the rivalry has

Mrs. Meyers commented, " The goalies used to only wear the gloves and face masks for their protection. Today they wear a glove, a chest protector, a mouth guard, and shin guards. The other players have just a stick and shin guards.

" They started with tunics. Under the tunics the girls wore tights and over the tunics the girls wore belts. A tunic is a white blouse with a black jumper. Now the girls, for volleyball, wear the shorts and shirts," continued Miss Arnold.

Other than the gigantic change in uniforms, the sports in general have many changes. The biggest change that was mentioned is the skill level of the girls. "They have been getting stronger and more aggressive on the courts and fields," uttered Mr. Adams.

Miss Arnold reported, "The girls show their aggressiveness well. They seem to be putting more power and energy into the games today. They also show their higher skill levels at practices more now than ever. They are more willing to practice on their own time other than the scheduled practices, which are everyday after school."

" After knowing all they had to go through, just to be on the team, the following girls wanted to be part of the very first volleyball team coached by myself," started Miss Arnold. "Their names are Fran Hershey, Karen Knaub, Jean Krieger, Diane Zarfoss, and Sue Koller. It's easy to remember these names because most of these girls played all of the sports and not just one."

" The girls that wanted to show their athletics side could start playing field hockey, volleyball, and basketball in the early 1970's. The first junior high teams were started at about 1984-85," answered Mrs. Meyers.

As a whole, Dallastown girls have very impressive athletic skills. They have almost every sport to play. Even though it started out a little shaky, a million women play sports to this day. It is easier for girls to play sports today because of a thing called equality. That means that if there are ten guys teams there has to be ten girls teams. This allows women to be more selective when they are picking which sport they want to play.

really reactivated itself," Mr. Pitzer replied. Mr. Orndorff explained, "Red Lion came into the York Area League in the middle to late sixties and there was some pretty good competition. Not just in football but in other sports between Dallastown and Red Lion in the late sixties, early seventies. Many people feel it started then and continued until today." "It's always been a back yard rivalry," Mr. Ketterman said.

A great thing about Dallastown football is that there are no tryouts. "Football is a sport that can handle numbers because of the nature of the sport. There are many team positions to be played in the game. There are kicking teams, and many other types of teams. In football, we can dress as many as sixty some. So we don't get into cutting kids unless there is an unusual circumstance that we may be aware of," replied Mr. Orndorff.

Dallastown basically has always been well supported by their fans. Mr. Pitzer commented, "It depends on how well the team is doing, because when I go back to 1969 and 1971, when we won the championship, we had huge crowds. The last game in 1971 was against West York and that place was just absolutely packed. If you're winning people are going to come and see you. People love a winner!"

When asked about the cheerleaders, Mr. Orndorff added, "Cheerleaders as far back as I can remember. There were cheerleaders as far back as the fifties." They had cheers, but they were very different. And now the cheerleaders aren't just cheering, they're entertaining the crowd.

Dallastown football has some great history. Many changes and many positive things have occurred from the football programs. Winning is not just about the star players and scores, its about teamwork, something Dallastown has. Many people are

involved in its success. Coaches, teammates, and definitely the fans deserve thanks for their efforts.

Basketball

Dallastown basketball has changed a lot over the years. Many very talented athletes have played here and taken their game to the next level. Not only has the game differed from the past, but the uniforms, coaching styles, transportation, and the league in general have all changed mostly for the better.

One of the major changes in Dallastown's basketball program was the way the league was set up. Mr. R. S. Orwig, who played in the mid forties while World War II was going on, said "there were actually three divisions in this league, the Northern division, the Central division, and the Southern division. Dallastown was in the Central division with York Catholic, Wrightsville, Spring Grove, West York, Red Lion, and North York."

You might wonder how Dallastown got the kind of uniforms they had. Mr. Gerber, who coached the varsity boys from 1969-1992, has an answer for that. "We picked new uniforms to look like whatever college team was good back then. In the eighties we went with Georgetown uniforms because Georgetown was the powerhouse school. Then in the nineties we bought Duke uniforms because Duke had just won the national championship."

Before the scoreboards were invented, how do you think they kept score? Mr. Gerald Miller said, "faculty members used to take turns writing the score on paper." Mr. Miller was the varsity head coach from 1959-1961.

Where did Dallastown play before the new high school was built? Mr. Orwig responded, "the first place, our gym was a converted market house, where the gym is now across from the South Charles Street Elementary School, that was the high school, the barn as we called it."

Dallastown now is a big rival with Red Lion but how did that rivalry start? Mr. Orwig who was on the team at the time said, "contrary to popular belief Red Lion has always been a rival since I played. But in my senior year it was West York, because all our games were very close with them."

You might want to know what happened to the basketball team when the new high

school was built. Mr. Miller said, "different students came from different schools and had to play together because of the new high school. It made a very hostile gym."

How did people travel to get to their games? Mr. Orwig commented, "in our junior year and sophomore year we car pooled during the war and that helped fan support. Then when we got to our senior year the war was over so we got buses. During the war there wasn't enough gasoline to fuel all of the buses."

There have been a lot of changes in the rules in basketball from then till now. One of the biggest changes is the jump ball. Mr. Orwig said, "when we played every time there was a tie up it was a real jump ball. That's no longer the way they play."

You might wonder where the players got dressed. Mr. Orwig said, "we had to dress in the elementary school and run across the street into the high school. This probably was not nearly as dangerous as it is now a days because there were so many less cars on the road."

Was there a lot of fan support? Mr. Orwig answered, "we did in 1945 which was my junior year and in 1946 we were in the district playoffs. That's when basketball really caught fire, because we started going into the playoffs and then they had to buy us uniforms, so we looked presentable."

Dallastown has always been a big powerhouse school for basketball . Hopefully in the future Dallastown players will keep the strong play and continue to succeed and keep the basketball tradition going. Before you know it that too will be history.

BASEBALL

It's going... going... gone, homerun! The history of Dallastown baseball was common to that of the past of Major League Baseball. From heavy wool uniforms and wooden bats to light cotton and aluminum, Dallastown's baseball has changed and progressed. The sport has been nicknamed America's pastime, and it is easy to see how it has become Dallastown's pastime as well.

Of course Dallastown baseball has changed a lot in many areas. First of all bunting, was used a lot more in the past. "Players don't bunt anymore because now Dallastown has designated hitters, also more people are interested in power hitting now, it's more fun to score a run than it is to lay down a bunt," states Mr. Dick Shoff previously a Dallastown Baseball coach for nearly thirty years.

Bunting is not the only thing that has changed, what about uniforms? "The uniforms were similar to what the Major Leaguers used to wear, but even those have changed a lot," claims Mr. Harold Berger also a previous coach. "The uniforms were heavy, hot wool, not the light weight cotton used today," comments Mr. Joe Ropp who played Dallastown baseball in the past, and has kept up with it to date.

There was also a change in Dallastown Baseball's rules. "There's only one change in the rules I know of," begins Mr. Ropp, "I know that metal cleats were allowed up until the late 1970's. They changed the metal cleats rule for the main purpose of preventing injuries, when players would slide into bases."

Dallastown's home field location also has changed. "They first had the field up on the hill in front of the schools, and that was really small, so they then built the diamond in back of the school and that, of course, has been there up until now," notes Mr. Berger.

Dallastown Baseball has had many changes, but what is the biggest? This question was answered by the interviewees. "They do play a lot more games," proclaims Mr. Berger. Mr. Ropp explains, "They went from wooden to metal bats. I understand that the batting averages are a lot higher with metal bats, because sometimes the wooden bats would break preventing what could have been a hit." Mr. Shoff agrees with Mr. Ropp but adds, "The athletes now are overall, a little bit stronger. Also, Dallastown Baseball, in the last couple of years, has become more important to the players than in the past. Back in previous years, baseball was just something to do. Since it comes in the spring, and most athletes had already played football and basketball. Now, there are more dedicated players, who are devoted to baseball as there only sport."

From 1928, when Dallastown baseball began, to now and beyond, Dallastown Baseball has proven itself to be a growing, popular sport. It is one of the oldest Dallastown activities and has experienced many all-star moments and great plays in it's history. With all of the sports and activities that have come into play throughout the years Dallastown Baseball has remained at the top.

Dallastown Wrestling

Winning. A tradition Dallastown Wrestling has carried out for over thirty years. What made the team so successful? Coaching, talent, an spirit and drive are only a few reasons why winning became a great wrestling tradition at Dallastown. But what are some others? In the year 1960, I believe was the first year of Dallastown wrestling," Mr. Jim Beck stated. Though the wrestling team was established in 1960, the first three years of it were only intramural "We just wrestle amongst ourselves and didn't compete against any other schools," Mr. Beck pronounced.

When Mr. Murray Davidson asked Mr. Beck to help get an official team started, he gladly accepted. "Murray Davidson was very interested in wrestling and at the time there were only three main wrestling teams which were York High, Hanover, and West York so he wanted to get wrestling started at Dallastown," exclaimed Mr. Beck. "Winning here at Dallastown became consistent in the year of 1964," Mr. Beck declared, "that was only four years after the team was established!" Training and coaching are a big part of why the team became so good. "Back then we practiced in the cafeteria or high school front lobby," said Mr. Beck. "We did a lot of conditioning but it was more like calisthenics because we did not have the weight room at time," Mr. Beck had mentioned. Talent was also a big factor then too. As time went on things changed, all except the tradition. "People then and now are interested in wrestling, I think mainly because people like to be part of a winning tradition," remarked Mr. Dave Gable, 'also it's a sport that allows participation for a variety of people regardless of their size."

The worst season from 1982 to 1998 might have been second or third in the league. "We were so consistent in winning because of devotion in the community, coaches, parents, and also the wrestlers, believes Mr. Gable.

Some training methods have been changed through the years but the main thing that changed was the techniques and time spent practicing. "We've modified techniques

basically on a year to year term based upon the most current training methods being used by top Division 1 wrestling programs and as well as the Olympians,” Mr. Gable declared, ‘ A need to weight train has increased dramatically because most kids aren’t through summer employment. Mostly now they find jobs at fast-food restaurants which isn’t very physical.”

Along with training methods, the wrestling suit has changed to. “ Wrestling suits are a little nicer now, when we competed we wore tights underneath the uniforms that looked like leotards,” Mr. Gable opinionated. Nowadays, wrestling suits are now made of comfortable lucre instead of cotton-polyester singlets back then. “ There is just more things available now compared to the 70’s and 80’s, sighed Mr. Gable.

Winning, dedication, great coaching, talent and devotion made winning a tradition at Dallastown. Not only that, training was great at that time. As well as their facility. But will to win made it a tradition. And now it is part of history and the future of Dallastown forever.

Dallastown Track and Field

Some people may think that the Track and Field team at Dallastown did not start before 1930 but it did. Also, the Track and Field Team at Dallastown did not become coed until the early 1970's. Three people who were very involved with Track and Field over the past thirty years were interviewed. They are Mr. Ray Geesey, Mr. Tim Barshinger, and Mr. Tim Barkdoll. Coach Geesey and Coach Barshinger were not only members of the Track Team but later became the Head Coach. Mr. Barkdoll has not yet been a coach here because he is in the Navy.

When asked about the coaches that he had when he was in school and a member of the team, Coach Barshinger remembered Coach Geesey, Coach Noll, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Smith and Mr. Stepka, some of whom are still at Dallastown. Coach Barshinger said that Mr. Stepka "is just down at Susquehannock" and is their track and field coach there. He also is excited about being the new Head Coach of Dallastown's Track and Field Team or as he said, "It's kind of neat in some respect too, ... , just that Coach Geesey was my coach and now I'm in his shoes. I think that that's kind of neat! Sort of the passing of the torch. Coach Geesey's head coach had been Mr. Beck. He did the same thing that I am doing in that he had been one of Coach Beck's athletes and then he came back and took the torch from him and I had been one of Coach Geesey's athletes and now I am doing the same thing so it's kind of neat".

When asked if they thought that the team had changed since they were members, Coach Geesey felt that "there had been some major changes, mostly in the talent." He felt that "a lot of athletes today are physically able to do more things over all, not that there

weren't some outstanding athletes then who did some great things, but the major change is that there are more talented kids and that a lot of that has to be with them being physically strong." Coach Barshinger felt that "it has changed in the respect that kids are asked to do a little more these days than they were" when he was a team member which was only 7-8 years ago. He feels that "athletes used to be solely one thing and in the spring, they would just do track or just do basketball but now we have kids who come to track practice and then go play soccer in the evening so they are involved a lot more than they used to be." "Obviously, the people and the faces change" but Mr. Barkdoll felt that the most significant change for Dallastown was the change in the type of track that they ran on. "I was the last year of the cinder track ... they got the new one right after I graduated." Mr. Barkdoll also "thinks that Dallastown has a really good track program that has a long tradition and they never have a problem with having people come out (for the team)."

When asked how events have changed, Mr. Barkdoll said that the "biggest change in the complexion of the high school track in York County has been that everybody now has all-weather tracks (instead of cinder tracks). Coach Geesey felt that "the first thing that changed was that we went from all of the events (measured) in yards to all of the running events (measured) in meters. They have added "the hurdle races we now run ... and some different relays." One other change according to Coach Geesey is that "the broad jump is now called the long jump." Coach Barshinger stated that "the girl's pole vault is new and that this will be the first year that it's an official sporting event."

Each of the interviewees had an interesting story that they remembered either from their days as athletes themselves or from their time as a coach. Coach Geesey told the

story of “ a young man in the early 1980’s who was running junior high track. He was a little, short guy who had real big, thick glasses and when we ran junior high races, he’d run the mile and he’d always be the last guy and he’d always come running just about every time real hard to the finish line so throughout junior high, 7th, 8th, and 9th grade, he never won a race. In 9th grade, he placed second or third because he was getting better. He went out for cross country and made cross country and he continued to run and he worked real hard. He would go to the weight room and lift, he’d run every day and get going and by the time he was a Senior, he won the State Indoor two mile Championship. And then, he went and won the State Outdoor 3200 meter Championship, set a school record of 9 minutes and 13 seconds which was an excellent time and went on to the U. S. Naval Academy and, at one time, was ranked 25th in the world at 5000 meters. He is now a successful officer in the Navy. He is going back to school to get his degree in education and he would like to come back to York County to coach track.” Coach Geesey said that “encouraging yourself and encouraging the other young people in junior high who aren’t doing as well as they would like to, that there is always a chance if you just keep working real hard - Mr. Barkdoll is a good example of that.” Coach Barshinger recalled when he ran a race “the 3200 relay, that had made a big difference for me ... at the Invitational of my senior year, Spring of ’92, that we were in the relay and it was a situation where it came down to the wire and I was the anchor leg and we ended up winning and it was really neat!” Mr. Barkdoll told the story of how Coach Geesey told him the incorrect record time and how he ran to beat the record and thought he missed it by two seconds but actually beat the record by four seconds, “so I got the record by like 4 seconds but that was his big joke on me.”

This shows that there are some good and bad changes but mainly the team is still the same. It is nice to know that those who eventually got to be the champions started off on the wrong foot and closer to the bottom than the top. A lot can be learned by listening to those who have experienced the earlier times in the sport.

History Of the Tennis Team

To be on Dallastown's Tennis Team is a privilege, considering how much Dallastown is into sports. Many tennis team member work hard and show great leadership and teamwork. Was expectations so high back awhile ago? And was tennis so big then as it is now? During the following interviews many of these questions were answered.

During the matches, the spectators were mainly family and friends, but there were no bleachers. Dallastown is lucky though, because it has more courts then other schools. Did you also know that the seasons were different? The Girl's Team was in the spring and the Boy's Team was in the fall, which caused Coach Pat White to resign, even though he enjoyed coaching.

Now what you might not have known was that there was a girl on the Boy's Team. The girl was Jenni Goodling. There were no complaints of the parents or the guys mainly because she won most of her matches. Jenni played #1 on the Boy's team. The reason she was on the Boys Team was because she could beat most of them, and had more competition there. Coach White commented "at times I didn't want Jenni to practice anymore, she practiced too much". Ms. Goodling made it to finals in the Boys County Tournament.

There are many changes that occurred with Dallastown tennis. Uniforms, balls, equipment, and aggressiveness are some of them. As Ms. Goodling states "Technology has changed, there are more instructors and more opportunities" Rackets have changed to; they use to play with wooden ones. Jenni Goodling said "new rackets

are great, especially for players not as good because there's a bigger sweet spot". But not everyone liked these new rackets. Coach White told me he prefers wood because "he likes the feel, you could hit anywhere on the racket and get power." The training and effort may be the same; it just depends on the person and their goals. The coaching is really similar, working a lot of conditioning and running. Coach White also commented that "some boys put more effort into practice than others." Mrs. Jill Rexroth said she didn't do that much conditioning she left that up to the players to do on their own. Another change Coach White pointed out was he thinks that "there are more year-round players and more amounts of indoor facilities now."

What about uniforms? Well the uniforms have been changed (which is probably not a bad thing.) They use to be a blue and white striped shirt, a white skirt for girls and shorts for girls. Now, there's a fancy white shirt saying Dallastown Tennis and a blue skirt, for girls. Also they have warm-ups.

Perhaps the biggest change is tennis balls use to be white! Yes, not the bright yellow\green balls today. The purpose for this was for visibility. The white balls didn't stay as fresh. Mrs. Rexroth says, "the white balls lost their bounce faster". Plus, there are different covers on the balls. Different balls for clay, grass, and indoors.

Dallastown Tennis is very lucky to have so many dedicated players, coaches and fans. Tennis in general is just a great sport. It has changed for the better just like most things do. Although through all the changes no one ever will forget the history of Dallastown Tennis.

Swimming

Every student who attends Dallastown Area Schools at some time throughout their educational experience will spend time in the swimming pool. The pool was not part of the original school district, but it was added sometime after the district was established. Not only do the students of Dallastown get to enjoy the pool, but at times the pool is available for anyone who lives in the Dallastown School District. Although the pool has been very functional it has seen many changes in its history.

"The construction of the pool took place in 1971, but the first swim team was not established until 1974", explained Mrs. Christine D'Orsie. Mrs. D'Orsie was the Swim Team coach in 1975, and from 1983 to 1984. She also recalls holding practices everyday after school until 5:30 p.m., and three mornings a week during months of November through March. This may be the reasoning behind them placing first in the county in 1985. "Now the practices run two to five nights a week, and three to four mornings a week", states the 1998-99 swim coach Mrs. Hedi Fye. The meets are on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The meets are held against every school district in York County that has a pool. Mrs. Fye was also on the high school swim team from 1989 to 1993.

Already there have been various alterations made to the pool for safety reasons. Mrs. D'Orsie recalls, "The diving tank was deepened from nine feet to twelve feet, to meet state regulation of safety, and the starting blocks were moved to the other end of the pool, because of the pool depth." "There is also new construction being done to the pool area now." "They are adding more spectator space above the pool, two more locker rooms, and this time making the pool itself deeper because Dallastown is barely meeting the new safety regulations." Mrs. D'Orsie commented. She also added, "You have to be

in the high school to join the swim team. And there was no Wildcat Swim Program for middle schoolers, but there was an intramural program for them. There are now more people in the swim programs than in the past."

Miss Wendy Miller, who was on the swim team her sophomore year, 1977-78, remarked to the question on other changes. She remembers, "At every meet a school record was broken, and the 1976-77 season ended early due to the energy crisis". Miss Miller also commented about the change in the swimsuits. "Not only has the style, and design changed, but the material used to be nylon, now they are made from lycra."

"Some things the pool is now used for", states Mrs. Fye, "Are family and community swims, Aqua Aerobics, the Learn to Swim Program, Adult Education Classes, the Swim Club, which was started in 1987 by Mr. Richard Howley, Lifesaving classes, and the diving team." It is also used for the third grade swimming program, which teaches younger students the basics in how to swim, this began in 1972. Gym classes are sometimes held at the pool too. At first it was not coed, but in 1971 Pennsylvania State Law required physical education classes to be with boys and girls.

As you can tell, since the pool was constructed in 1971, it has been a great asset to the people living in the Dallastown Area School District. The new construction and current changes happening at the pool, only enforces just how much of an advantage the pool has become to the community it serves. The first 28 years of the pool's history has been full on changes, records, broken records, and many memories for many people. The future of the pool is sure to see more changes, and create many new memories for many years to come.

Golf At Dallastown

Golf has been a growing sport at Dallastown High School. As a sport, golf is growing in popularity across the country and in other nations of the world. As you soon will see, Dallastown High School is feeling the effects. Many changes have taken place since golf became a sport in the high school, changes in playing format, equipment, and courses. The following information was gathered from present time coach, Mr. Richard Kehr and former players Mr. Doug Keener and Mr. Scott Frey.

“The golf team was started in the spring of 1963”, said Mr. Richard Kehr. The head coach at that time was Charles Spangler who had once been a professional golfer himself. “The team played at the Red Lion country club the course was shared with Red Lion because most of the players on the two teams were members there and at the time there weren’t that many places to go and play,” stated Mr. Kehr. “The teams that were in our division were, York Catholic, Red Lion, West York, North Eastern, Central, Dover, York Suburban, Susquehannock, and Dallastown,” said Mr. Kehr. “The best player on the team that year was Tim Rojahn, Tim went to the state tournament at Hershey that year and finished in sixth place,” Mr. Kehr said. “We played fourteen holes of match play where one point was earned for the first seven, one point for the back seven and one point for all fourteen. Now the playing format has been changed to stroke play to speed up the matches,” said Mr. Kehr.

“Back then we didn’t have any graphite shafts or oversize club heads, the grips were just leather strands wrapped around the shafts,” stated Mr. Scott Frey. “The equipment has really changed since he played on the team.” said Mr. Frey. “Technology is really starting to change, the ball is being hit further than ever now,” said Mr. Kehr. “As a teaching professional I have also seen the sport as a whole grow,” Mr. Frey said. “Back when I played there were real low turnouts and we were called sissies.” Mr. Kehr also that noted that in the years he has been teaching he sees larger turnouts each year. “The

larger turnouts are definitely an indication to golfs growing popularity,” said Mr. Doug Keener.

“Dallastown has a tradition of winning,” said Mr. Kehr. Since beginning in 1962 Dallastown has won eleven championships. Up until this season, when the format was fourteen hole match play Dallastown won 264 matches lost 151 and tied 11. They have also won 9 championships. “Winning is not all our tradition,” says Mr. Frey, “We also routed for every one on our team to show team spirit.” “We were the first in the county to do a lot of things. We were the first to have team bags, and first to wear polo,” said Mr. Kehr.

When asked who the best player was to go through Dallastown, Mr. Kehr responded by saying, “Steve Goodley was probably the best. Steve was the league player of the year four years in a row from 1989 to 1992.” Mr. Kehr’s most memorable moment was in 1989 when Dallastown was in a playoff with Central High School for Dallastown’s first league championship at Briarwood Golf Course. Mr. Kehr said, “ We lost three out of five matches on the front nine. On the back nine everybody won their match. Ben Rojan came from six holes down after nine holes to win eight of the last nine to win his match and to the stroke play leading Dallastown to it’s first league championship. “My most memorable moment was when we defeated York Catholic High School. The victory was special because they had had a very long winning streak and it felt good to break that,” said Mr. Keener.

The information gathered shows that at Dallastown High School, golf is gaining a lot more of respect. This is due to the larger turnouts for the Golf Team and Dallastown’s winning tradition. It should be known that Dallastown was not always a power house in York County. In its early years the golf team really struggled and was lucky to have winning seasons. But now the team is the complete opposite. Golf’s popularity at Dallastown should continue to grow along with a special winning tradition.

Rivalry With Red Lion

The definition of rivalry is an intense competition between two teams. The rivalry between two towns could be as great without the field. Not only does every team have this intense rivalry but the towns alone provide for the rivalry. The rivalry between Dallastown and Red Lion is an excellent example. There may not be two other towns this close together in which a rivalry thrives this great.

Football is a highly intense sport. There seem to always be an injury. There must be some serious injuries. "I, myself have never seen any serious injuries, just a sprain or something minor," replied Mr. Ron Fitzkee, a former Red Lion head football coach. "Although injuries come with the game not always does the injury have to be serious. Football can be a sport of injuries but with the comes the joy of playing," commented Mr. Jake Sowers, a former Dallastown football player.

The rivalry between Dallastown and Red Lion has become more of a bond between the two teams. Although they are constantly fighting for some reason they have become good friends. The towns have supported it. "These towns can always have a close friend to compete with. Well at least to some extent," snickered Mr. Fitzkee.

The rivalry between Dallastown and Red Lion has obviously been deep-rooted for many years but it did not just start with the teams. "In the early nineteen hundreds the towns began. It wasn't until around the nineteen forties that the teams really got involved," replied Mr. Fitzkee. The history to the reason of the rivalry was not known to any of the men. "The only reason I may know is that the towns were just close enough

to get something started," answered Mr. Mike Ketterman, the head coach of Dallastown's football team today.

Women's sports are just as important as the male and all the sports teams are rivals with Red Lion. From field hockey to volleyball they all have equal share in the rivalry. One sport must have the greatest rivalry. "In my personal opinion I believe that the field hockey team has the greatest out come to see the rivalry." said Mr. Fitzkee. No matter what sport you go to watch there will always be a great rivalry.

"In the earlier years of the football team we had police escorts to Dallastown from Red Lion and than from Dallastown back to the Red Lion high school," stated Mr. Fitzkee. "There was too much friction between the teams to allow just the buses to enter the rivals ground. The police always stayed with the buses to reduce the chance of vandalism."

The rivalry between Dallastown and Red Lion will last for a long time to come. Whether the greatest rivalry be in football or in field hockey the friction between the two towns will be great no matter what. Even if the football team was taken away, there would always be another team to see that the rivalry still thrives. Nothing will ever stop these two towns from there endless battle to keep in front of the other. If one of these towns changed leagues, the chances are that a new rival would be found, but never will there be such a great rivalry between those two towns as there is in the towns of Dallastown and Red Lion.

The Future of Dallastown Schools

"If you were to leave now and not come back until the construction was finished, you would find very little to be the same as it is now," said Dr. William Thompson Dallastown's Superintendent. Many changes will be taking place through the next few years. The Middle and High School will be changed to meet many needs of the students. By the end of this report you will know and understand the changes occurring in the Dallastown School District.

Technology is a big issue for the schools. Dr. Thompson said, "If we ran the cable for the Internet now, it is very expensive." "The construction would just tear it apart." "When the construction is finished the schools will have cable access, four drops, and a teacher station in each classroom." "Also Distance Learning with Millersville college may start before the construction is over." "If you are a Sophomore or Junior and real good at Math you could take a college course from Millersville through Distance Learning."

"The gym in the Middle and High School will be renovated." Both gyms will be doubled in size," commented Dr. Thompson. "The High School will also be getting an additional weight room, training room, and wrestling room put in."

"There are going to be many changes done to the Middle and High School," replied Dr. Thompson. "The High School will be separated into departments. The library will be moved to the central core of the building. There will be eighteen to twenty new classrooms put in. This means about twenty five additional kids in each grade or five hundred more kids in the school," commented Dr. Thompson.

"As for the Middle School, the office will be moved to the new entrance which will be where the cafeteria lobby is now," stated Dr. Thompson. "All the music will be moved together. (Band, Strings, Chorus.) The Middle School will be separated into teams, now they are split up."

The population of the Dallastown Schools has been studied closely the past few years. Dr. Thompson recalled, "The paper here shows the population will in fact increase as we move closer to the year 2000."

"We so far have a Master Technology Plan headed by John Sherwood," replied Mr. Niles Morton who is in charge of the construction project.

"The plan will take us well into ten years. All buildings will be linked together and we will have access to the World Wide Web." The High School and Middle School have contracts to take care of fiber technology and work stations."

"It is an intense and expensive program," recalled Mr. Morton.

"The pool will be changed immensely," replied Mr. Morton. "It will be made one third deeper for safety regulations, there will be a new roof put over the pool, and the seating in the pool area will also be increased roughly by five hundred people."

"The cat walks in the Middle School will eventually be removed," commented Mr. Morton. "The entire space will have new buildings put in with more class rooms. The cat walk closest to where the busses park now will probably be taken down in January of 1999."

Everything that regular students can do in the Middle and High School will be made so Handicap people can use these things also. "By State, Local, and Federal law these new facilities have to be handicap equip," replied Mr. Morton. "This means if someone is hearing impaired there will be special seats or stations in the auditorium where there will be special ear phones to listen. There will also be special areas in the auditorium for people in wheel chairs. The building will be rebuilt automatically to accommodate everything a handicap person needs," explained Mr. Morton.

For the many activities held at the football field/track there will be some changes done to meet those needs. "The visitor bleachers will be replaced with new bleachers," commented Mr. Morton. "On the home side of the field the two metal bleachers will be replaced and meet all handicap needs."

The parking lots will be increased for the many activities held at the field. "Parking lots basically stay where they are but we are increasing the number of parking spaces by twelve hundred," replied Mr. Morton.

There will probably be many more changes done to the schools. We are fortunate to be involved in such an exciting process. As students in the buildings, we're lucky to see the changes happening before our very eyes.