



Ithaca CYO basketball players are, left to right, front row: Pete Schwann, Tom Schwann, Dean Linscott, Richard John, Randy Smith, John Necheporek, Mike Beach. At rear, with Coach Randy Coon: Billy Grover, Mark Maliski, Andrea Capariccio, Dan Slattery, Kevin Killory, Bill LaRock, Bill Hollenbeck.

Ithaca's Hoop Coach Building Potential 'Spoiler'

Ithaca — The current season of the Ithaca Catholic Youth Organization's seventh and eighth grade basketball team could be called a "building year."

The squad, carrying a 2-6 record in the Auburn CYO Recreational League, is not going to be a title contender. However, according to Randy Coon, coach of the team and a physical education and science instructor at Immaculate Conception school, the season must be seen in perspective.

"The kids have worked hard in practice and have improved tremendously, particularly in the last few weeks," he said. "A lot of teams will have to watch out for us during the remaining games of the season. We will be playing them all on our home floor and the team could still figure in the race as a spoiler."

Results of recent contests support the coach's words. The team lost a 51-50 decision to league leading St. Francis of Auburn recently, and on Jan. 30, they battled a much bigger St. Alphonsus team on even terms through the second half, losing by a 68-51 score. The team's biggest problem is simply a lack of height. It sorely hampers their rebounding strength. In addition, former starter Bill Grover was sidelined for several weeks with a broken foot. He is now, however, ready for at least limited action.

Starters on the team include Mark Maliski, Captain Andrea Capariccio, Bill LaRock, Tom Schwann, and Dean Linscott. LaRock is the current scoring leader. Everybody on the fourteen-man squad sees action in nearly every game, however, according to Coach Coon, provided they attend practice regularly.

"If my only objective were to try to win games," Coon said, "I would probably only carry seven players. What is really important is that the boys learn the fundamentals of the game and have the chance to compete."

Looking down the line to see what kind of talent is moving up toward the "varsity" squad, the outlook is hopeful. This year's fifth and sixth grade CYO team is blazing a winning trail with a near perfect record. The remainder of this season as well as the next couple of years should offer some exciting basketball for fans who follow and support the CYO teams.

For those who cannot attend

the games, there is still an opportunity to support the team. The players and cheerleaders

are selling boxes of candy in the Ithaca area and the proceeds will help equip the team.

Ithaca Area Notes

Watkins Glen — St. Mary's of the Lake Church is sponsoring a Gay Nineties Dance Party on Saturday, Feb. 12, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., at the American Legion Home. The charge of \$1.50 per person includes a midnight buffet. "Don and Brad Street," a sing-along group from Rochester, will provide the music.

A Laymen's School of Religion will be held from Feb. 15 to March 21 at the parish house of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Montour Falls. Several courses are being offered. Anyone interested may call the rectory of St. Mary's of the Lake.

Ithaca — St. Catherine of Siena parish has scheduled First Communion meetings for Tuesday, Feb. 15 and 22 at 8 p.m.

Choir rehearsal is held every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in St. Catherine Church. All interest-

ed parishioners are invited to join the Choir.

The Parish Newsletter will be published in mid-February. Parishioners are invited to submit items of general parish interest through Barbara Tewey.

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