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BK Names Two Lancers

By JOHN DOSER

A pair of substitute teachers trying to earn a living from pro soccer have been named soccer coaches at Bishop Kearney High School.

Nelson Cupello and Craig Reynolds of the Rochester Lancers took over as varsity and junior varsity soccer coaches at BK last week, according to athletic director Don Della Vella.

Both are defenders with the Lancers and both played with the 1974 Brockport State NCAA Division III championship team.

Cupello coached junior soccer under Rochester Juniors head coach Vic Carlson for three years before he signed with the Lancers. Last year he helped out head coach Sy Davis at Eastridge, his Alma Mater, where he still owns the school's single season scoring record.

It was back in his sophomore year at Eastridge when he broke loose for 23 goals; he continued his scoring achievements at Monroe Community College before transferring to Brockport State.

Ironically, his older brother Bob set several scoring records at BK in the mid-1960s, but Nelson chose to go to Eastridge in order to do his own thing and not to have to play in the shadow of his older brother.

Cupello says he wants to teach his BK kids how to really play soccer.

"What I learned in soccer, I didn't really learn in high school. I learned a lot from Vic Carlson when I played on the Rochester Juniors.

"As I moved on to college soccer and later amateur soccer, plus playing with and watching the pros, I learned a lot more and it's from these experiences I hope I can help teach these kids to play the right way," Cupello explains.

He won't be able to simply transfer pro soccer styles and methods of play down to the high school level, he agrees.

"Somehow we must find out where their level is and try to reach it. Some things the pros do will be able to be done by some kids, but not others. We're going to try to reach that level with every possible player."

Cupello won't be teaching at Kearney, at least not for now. He substitute teaches at a number of other schools including East and West Irondequoit and Rush-Henrietta.

He asked Della Vella if he had the choice of selecting his own JV coach, and Della Vella gave him a free pass.

Reynolds, also a substitute teacher in the Webster District, accepted. Cupello teaches health and physical education. Reynolds only teaches phys ed.

Cupello says there may be a Lancer flavor to Kearney's practice drills and exercises, which he adds will be good for the players.

"I'm going to try to think of all the good things (drills, exercises etc.) that I've had in the past few years with the Lancers and Brockport and try to put it all together in terms of what's best for the players," Cupello says.

"We do want to develop a good soccer program at Kearney," he adds.

Last year Kearney finished 7-4-1 and in fifth place in the City-Catholic League under Rick Eichner, according to Cupello.

Reynolds says the JVs were 8-3 and both agree it appears that the Kings will have better than average soccer talent on the field this fall.

"That's what everyone says," Cupello adds. "Most of the coaches I've spoken with tell me we're going to have a pretty good team. I haven't seen Kearney in years, but from what they say, hopefully we can put something together."

As for the Lancers, both say they believe the Lancers will make the playoffs. "We're going to surprise a few people," Cupello says.

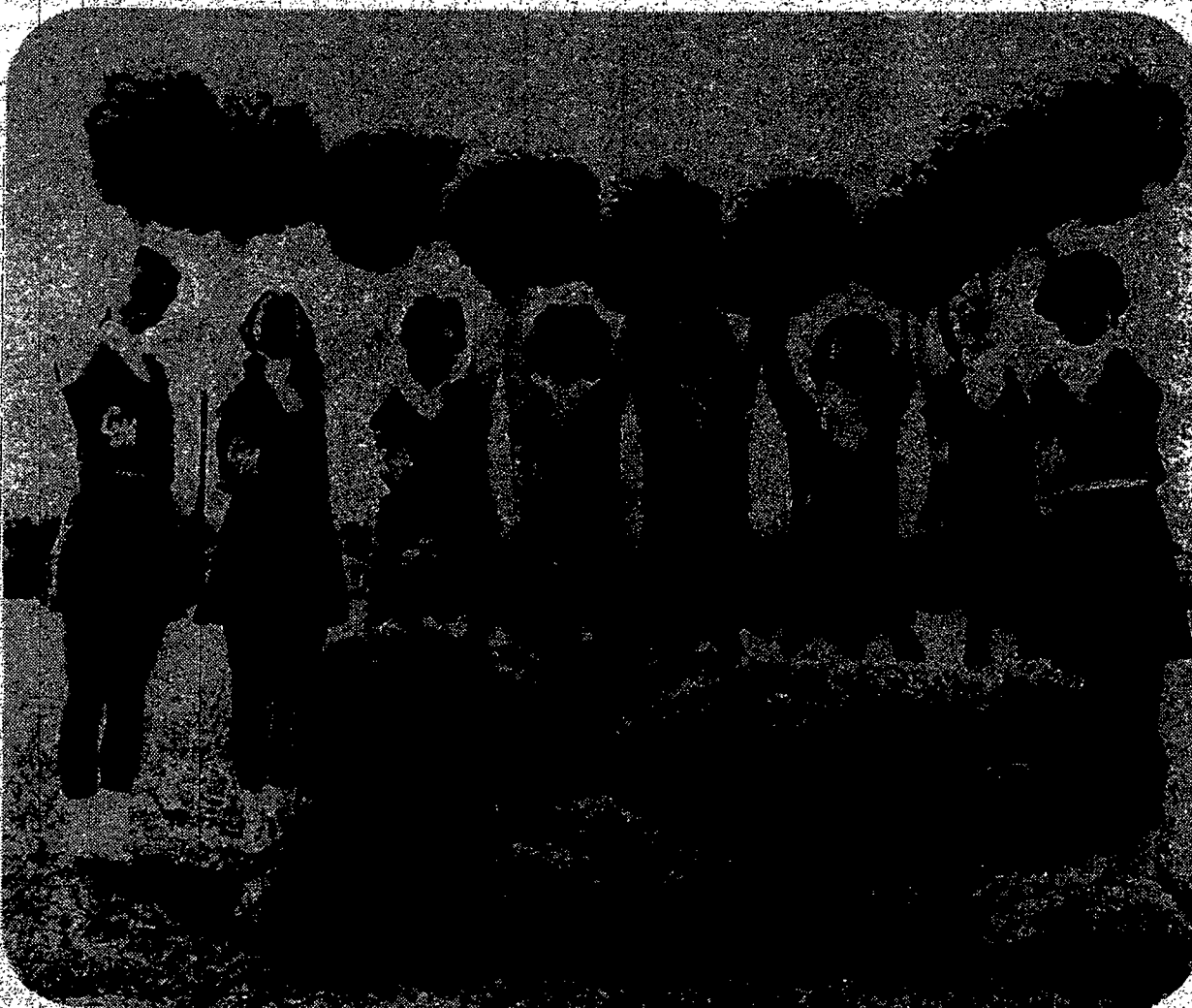


Photo by Ben Susso

Wednesday, Aug. 11, will be a night to remember for the Cardinal Mooney cheerleaders. They will be executing their routines for the Rochester Lancers during the Lancers' last game of the Soccer season. Seated, from left: Julie Lerch, Michelle Sofia, Kathy Young and Judy Cupo. Standing are Beth Krasavage, Laurie Myers, Barb Polle, Patty Yahn, Mary Pat Lally, Sheila Dugan, Sue Blum, Sue Kroubalkian.

Something to Cheer About



Patty Yahn

By JOAN M. SMITH

There is added gusto in the Cardinal Mooney cheerleader practices these summer days. The girls have a special performance coming up and they are determined to display the professionalism which has been their hallmark in performing for school games and state competitions.

They will cheer for the Rochester Lancer Soccer team in their game against the Tampa Bay Rowdies on Aug. 11. It will be the first time the squad will perform their routine, plus new cheers worked out especially for the occasion, before a professional sports crowd.

This is the first season the Lancer organization offered invitations to area school cheering teams. Though the Mooney group was the only one to respond, the Lancers are hopeful the program will attract more teams next season.

It's an event the girls are more excited than nervous about. They see the chance of professionally performing as giving them tremendous experience.

During the school year the

cheerleaders practice three times a week — one evening and at 7:30 on two mornings when, as they laughingly agreed, "Sometimes we're awake enough to go through the cheers."

In the summertime, they have a two-hour practice session once a week. For the first 10 or 15 minutes it's basic warmup exercises then it's down to the grueling job of coordinating their tiger jumps, c-jumps, mounts, and splits into a harmonious routine.

It's the girls' anticipation of each

KEUKA SCHOLARSHIP

Penn Yan — St. Michael's School, in cooperation with Keuka College, is offering a partial scholarship to any qualified parishioner who will attend the college on a full-time basis. This scholarship is available as a result of the cooperative student-teaching program between St. Michael's School and Keuka College. Applications for the scholarship are available at St. Michael's Rectory or at the office of David Durkee, Penn Yan Academy.

CYO JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The CYO summer day camp Junior Olympics will be held at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow at the Rochester Institute of Technology track. Anyone interested in attending is invited free of charge.

other's moves which result in their smooth execution. This harmony is achieved even though teammate Mary Ellen Haisch is unable to practice because of a summer job. But when performing she easily links up with her comrades in executing a polished routine.

The cheerleaders agree that it's working together which makes cheerleading great fun and as Patty Yahn emphasized, "It helps school spirit."

The girls' dedication not only to their cheering endeavors but to their moderator, Sister Marlene McQuenny, is shown in their meeting practice schedules in her absence. Sister who is attending a summer program at Georgetown University needn't worry about her crew. They are preparing with relish for their professional debut on Aug. 11.

Teen Politics

Albany — In keeping with the Spirit of '76, a mock presidential nominating convention will be the highlight of the annual Teen Age Republican Week, (TAR), Aug. 16.

More than 100 young people from throughout New York State are expected to attend the program at Union College in Schenectady. The event will take on a special significance this year in gearing future candidates and conventioners toward the Republican National Convention and the local statewide and national campaigns that could benefit from youth involvement.

In addition to campaign seminars and the mock convention, TAR Week will feature a mock primary for United States senator, a mock session of the State Legislature at the Capitol, and addresses by prominent Republicans, government officials and civic leaders.