

# TORNADO SPORTS WATCH FOR ALUMNI:



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**It is hoped that Tornado Sports Watch for Alumni will be a bi-annual report of the sports programs at Mount Carmel Area High School. Editions in January and June are planned.**

## **FALL SPORTS 2006:**

**GOLF:** The golf team under the direction of Dave Dallabrida won Division II of the Schuylkill League for the 3rd consecutive year with a 12-1 record. They then finished second to Mahanoy Area in the Schuylkill League Championship Meet for the 2nd consecutive year. Golfer David Dallabrida, son of the coach, qualified for the District IV Championships and finished 13th overall. Mark Costello finished 4th in the Schuylkill League Championships. Costello was named one of 8 Golf Stars by the Press Enterprise.

**CROSS COUNTRY BOYS:** The boys, under head coach Angela Farronato, ended their season with a fine 9-2 record in the always tough Schuylkill League. They took their 6th consecutive Schuylkill League Division Title. They only losses were to AAA Blue Mountain and Pottsville. Walter Watkins and Matt Kozlowski were named Schuylkill League All Stars.

**CROSS COUNTRY GIRLS:** With Coach Farronato serving double duty, the girls posted a 4-7 in SCIAL. The girls were young and a little undermanned, but will continue to get better in the upcoming seasons. Paige Schoffler was named a Schuylkill League All Star.

**GIRLS VOLLEBALL:** The girls, in only their third year of competition, ended a frustrating year with a 0-14 record in the always tough Schuylkill League. Under coaches Tina McClay and Tina Meredith, the girls showed steady improvement but were unable to dent the win column. The program was reinstituted in 2004 after a 20 year absence.

**BOYS SOCCER:** The boys soccer team under the tutelage of Harry Kolody and Dean Picarella. posted a 14-6 regular season record and qualified as a 4th seed in District IV competition. It represented the first time in school history that the boys posted a winning record since soccer was instituted in 2000. They also became the first boys team to qualify for district play. Unfortunately they were

defeated by Danville in the district opener by a 3-0 score. Following the season, Mike Latttore, Mike Fletcher, and David Albright were named to the Schuylkill League Division II/III All Star team Albright was named to the first team Pottsville Republican All Area Team. In addition, David Albright and Michael Fletcher were named to the Press Enterprise ALL Star Team. Shawn Collier, Mike Latorre, Dean Picarella, and Eddie Amarose were given Honorable Mention .David Albright was named the News Items Player of the Year while Fletcher, Collier, Picarella, and Latorre were selected to the team.

**GIRLS SOCCER:** The girls won their second consecutive Schuylkill League Division title and second consecutive Schuylkill League Title with a fine 17-2-1 record. As the number 2 seed in District IV play, the Tornadoes were upset by Danville by a 1-0 score, ending their hopes of playing in the state tourney for the third consecutive year. Danville ended up as the Dist IV runner-up. The girls soccer program has only been in existence since 1998 and are coached by Rich Miller and Chris Kozloski.. The Lady Tornadoes have won 56 games over the last three seasons and have established themselves as one of the premier programs in the area. Following the season, Holly Ibanez, Karisa Tocyloski, Sarah Novack and Atumn Zigarski were named to the Schuylkill League All Star team. In addition, Ibanez, Tocyloski, Novack,, Zigarski, and Jenelle Williams were named to the Division I All Star team of the Schuylkill League, while Hannah Kolody was given Honorable Mention. Ibanez, Tocyloski, Novack, and Zigarski were named to the Pottsville Republican All Area Team with Ibanez named Player of the year. Tocyloski, Ibanez, Novack and Williams were named to the News Item All Area team with Zigarski being named Player of the Year.

**FOOTBALL:** In what was perhaps the most frustrating year in recent history, the boys posted a 4-6 record - the first losing season at MCA since 1987, and only the 3rd since 1958 and 14th in the 114 history of MCA football. Mark Ambrose was listed as a 3rd team tight end on the Pennsylvania Football News AA All State team. Jonas Pachuski was given Honorable Mention. Pachuski was named a first team defensive back for the Reading Eagle All Anthracite Football Team. Pachuski was also named a second team Wide Receiver by the Pottsville Republican All Area team. James Haynes and Ryan Kogut were given honorable mention. Pachuski, Kogut, Marcus Kufta and Jacob Shinskie were all named to the first team News Item All Area Team. Ryan Kogut and Jonas Pachuski were named first team Dist IV all stars, while Mike McCollum and David Avellino earned second team spots, Jake Shinskie picked up an honorable mention. Jaymes Haynes, Mike McCollum, Jonas Pachuski, and Jake Shinskie were named the Press Enterprise All Star football time. Chris Steck, Ryan Kogut, James Goins, and Sean McCollum earned 2nd team honors..

NOTE: 2006 marked the first season since 1993 that MCA did not have a player named to the AP First team all state football team. It also marked the first time since 1991 that MCA did not have a player named to any AP all state football team

**MIKE BRENNAN'S RECORD AT MCA: 7 years - 65 wins - 19 losses**  
**MIKE BRENNAN'S OVERALL RECORD: 9 years - 72 wins - 35 losses**  
**MCA'S PLAYOFF RECORD: 41 wins - 13 losses**  
**MCA'S STATE PLAYOFF RECORD: 18 wins - 1 loss**  
**MCA'S HOME RECORD: 440 wins - 118 losses - 24 ties - 77.7%**  
**MCA'S AWAY RECORD: 319 wins - 161 losses - 35 ties - 65.3%**  
(Away represents all games played on neutral field but away from Mount Carmel)

**114 years - 131 opponents**  
**759 wins - 279 losses - 59 ties = 1097 games - 71.99%**  
NOTE: The 759 wins represents the most in Pennsylvania and 5th in the country

**GIRLS JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL:** As an addition to our varsity sports, the girls 7th grade basketball team went 20-0 and won the Schuylkill League Title. They duplicated the performance of the 1988 team when the girls 7th grade group went 14-0 in winning the Schuylkill League. Hopefully, it is a good sign for our future girls basketball program.

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