

Cook's, Villa Roma absorb first losses

Cook's Store of Lehman and Villa Roma of Harveys Lake suffered their first defeats of the season last week in the Back Mountain Slo-Pitch Softball League to leave only the strong Noxen Rebels as the lone unbeaten squad among the 14 teams in both divisions of the league after four weeks of play.

Cook's beat Villa Roma a week ago Tuesday by the score of 12 to 4, then lost in one of Thursday's games, 7 to 6, at the hands of Joe's Grotto Pizza of Harveys Lake. Noxen Rebels kept on winning and now have ran their undefeated win streak to six games.

Scores of the June 5 games saw Columbia Porch Shades beat Pizza Bar, 10 to 8; Millers trounced Down Home Music, 21 to 8; Treat Drive-In of Shavertown scored its first win, beating the Whips 10-0; Noxen Rebels polished off their intra-town rivals, Noxen Texaco, 11-1, and Hilltop Inn of Harveys Lake beat Joe's Grotto Pizza, 7 to 3, in a hard fought game. Mr. Donut and Tupper's had the byes for June 5.

In Thursday's games, Grotto Pizza came back to beat Cook's, 7 to 6, for the first loss of the season for the Lehman entry; Tupper's nosed out Mr. Donut, 15-14, in a game that went nine innings; Pizza Bar beat the Whips, 16 to 7; Hilltop Inn beat Miller's, 13-6; Columbia Porch Shades trounced Treat Drive-In, 15 to 5, and Down Home Music barely beat Noxen Texaco, 8 to 7. Noxen Rebels and Villa Roma had the byes.

Good playing weather on Sunday had all teams making up the frame of games that was rained out on May 24. In Sunday's games, Noxen Rebels chalked up their sixth win of the season by defeating Hilltop Inn, 8 to 3; Cook's moved back into the win column, beating Millers, 15 to 9; Treat Drive-In scored the upset of the day, nosing out Tupper's Sporting Goods, 9 to 7, on back-to-back homeruns by Dick Nixon and Doug Smith; Noxen Texaco surprised Hilltop Inn, 11 to 9; Villa Roma stayed in the race for honors in the National Division by beating Down Home Music, 16 to 15; Columbia Porch Shades beat Mr. Donut, 11 to 1. Pizza Bar and the Whips had the byes for Sunday.

Tuesday evening's schedule had Tupper's playing Millers and Noxen Rebels going against Villa Roma on the Noxen diamond; Hilltop Inn vs. Cook's and Grotto Pizza playing Mister Donut on the front diamond at Lehman, and Columbia Porch Shades playing the Whips and Treat Drive. In going against Pizza Bar on the Lehman back field.

This evening's games will send Mister Donut against Hilltop Inn at 6 and Pizza Bar taking on Noxen Texaco at 7 on the Noxen diamond; Millers will play the Noxen Rebels at 6 and Down Home Music will take on the Whips at 7 on

the Lehman front field, while Villa Roma tangles with Grotto Pizza at 6 and Cook's take on Tupper's at 7 on the Lehman back diamond as Tupper's tries a comeback.

Tuesday's games will send the Noxen Rebels against Down Home Music at 6 and Hilltop Inn against Columbia Porch Shades at 7 on the Noxen diamond; Noxen Texaco takes on Cook's at 6 and Tupper's will be facing a strong Villa Roma squad at 7 on the front field at Lehman; Grotto Pizza will play

Miller's at 6 and Treat Drive-In will play Mr. Donut at 7 on the back diamond at Lehman.

Standings of teams in both divisions thru Sunday's games: American, Noxen Rebels 6-0, Tupper's 4-2; Grotto Pizza and Hilltop Inn 4-3 each; Noxen Texaco 2-3; Treat Drive-In 2-4 and Whips 0-7.

National, Cook's of Lehman 6-1; Villa Roma 5-1; Columbia Porch Shades and Pizza Bar 4-3 each; Down Home Music 3-4; Miller's 2-5, and Mr. Donut 0-7.

Theresa Baseski adds win

One of these days a member of the female sex will break the barrier and make it in the major leagues as a baseball player just like women are making it in other sports like race car driving, jockeys and other fields.

It very well may be that Miss Theresa Baseski, 14-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Baseski of Crown Hill Heights, Carverton, just might turn the trick. Theresa, known to her teammates on the Orange Teeners team by

the nickname of 'Tete', pitched all seven innings of Saturday's game against Kunkle of the Bob Horlacher Teeners Softball League, and came home with her second win in three starts with Orange trouncing the third place Kunkle Teeners, 16 to 11. The win kept Orange tied for first place with Centermoreland on a record of six wins and two losses each.

'Tete' has lost only once as a moundsman this year, dropping a close game to Kunkle by a one-run score. That was the day, she had played earlier with the Dallas Junior High softball team in a game at Plains and had been rushed by her mother to get into the game against Kunkle, a 'man-sized' job.

She is active in basketball and softball circles at Dallas Junior High, where she will enter the ninth grade come September. She pitched in one game during the 1978 season but has seen considerably more mound duty during the recent 1979 season when the Dallas junior softball squad went undefeated, chalking up six victories in school competition. She also is a member of the Dallas Junior High basketball team.

The Orange Yankees were down by a 7 to 2 score after two innings in

Saturday's game against Kunkle but rallied to score a 16-11 win. Orange hitters blasted a barrage of hits to account for the win with Art Coolbaugh getting three hits in four trips; Greg Kravitsky banging out three hits in three trips, one of them a double, and Bill Horn, who had a double and single in two trips to the platter, were the offensive stars for Kunkle.

Centermoreland Phillies scored a 20 to 4 win on Saturday over the Beaumont-Jenks Teeners, who haven't been able to break the win barrier. Jamie Kyttle hurled for Centermoreland and had good batting support from teammates, Art Faux, the loop's leading home run hitter, who connected for another roundtripper; Steve Yatsko who had a three-for-three day, including a triple and a double and Dale Faux, who banged out two triples.

Saturday's game in the Horlacher Teeners Division will send Kunkle to Centermoreland and the Beaumont-Jenks team will be guests of Orange. On Wednesday, Kunkle plays at Orange and Centermoreland will play at Beaumont Jenks in the next to the last games of the season. Standings of the teams, including Saturday's games: Orange and Centermoreland, 6-2, Kunkle 4-4, Beaumont-Jenks 0-8.



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Retreat planned at Gate of Heaven

According to John M. Baur, regional director of the Wyoming Valley Catholic Laymen's Retreat League in the Back Mountain there will be a rally of all retreatants in the area at Gate of Heaven School auditorium, Thursday, June 14 beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Father Andrew Costello of the St. Alphonsus Retreat House will speak. A slide show built around Retreat House activities is planned. The Back Mountain area includes all Catholic Churches in the Northwestern section of Luzerne County.

Swoyersville is the area's southernmost border. Directors in the area are Dennis Gravey, St. Ignatius, and Lawrence Kocik, Swoyersville-Luzerne. Captains are Gustave Faerber and Chester Czerwik. Faerber is in charge of arrangements for the rally.

Three lead Fellowship League

Dallas Baptist, Sweet Valley and Dallas Community teams had unblemished records in Bible Fellowship Softball League play through last week's games. Dallas Community eked out an 8 to 7 win over Noxen Independent Bible Church and Bloomingdale Baptist beat Roaring Brook, 10 to 4, in the only games played last week. The game between Sweet Valley and Northmoreland Baptist was setback to a

later date because of a conflict of activities at Northmoreland, and Dallas Baptist had the bye. Tuesday's games sent Northmoreland against Dallas Community; Roaring Brook was scheduled to play at Dallas Baptist, and Noxen was slated to play at Sweet Valley, with Bloomingdale having the bye. Next Tuesday's games will send Community of Dallas to Bloomingdale;

Roaring Brook will be guests of Noxen, and Dallas Baptist will tangle with Sweet Valley in a game that will see one of those teams drop from the unbeaten ranks. Standings of the teams thru last week: Dallas Baptist 3-0; Sweet Valley and Dallas Community 2-0 each; Northmoreland 2-2, Bloomingdale 2-3; Noxen 1-3, and Roaring Brook 0-4.

Kiwanis paper drive successful

The weekly meeting of the Back Mt. Kiwanis Club was held Saturday June 9th at the Mark II Restaurant, Dallas. President Joe McDonald presided. Visiting guests attending the meeting were Kiwanis Clubs from: Carbon Leighton Wilkes-Barre Kiwanis, and Dallas Kiwanis.

During the past week, on June 6th the Back Mt. Kiwanis Club had a double 'inter-club' in attendance at the Swoyersville Kiwanis, and also on that same night they had a inter-club visit in attendance with the Dallas Kiwanis. On Thursday, June 7, the Back Mt. Kiwanis Club had

another double inter-club visit, this one with the West Side Kiwanis held at Konefal's in Edwardsville. On Saturday, June 9, the Back Mt. Kiwanis held their bi-monthly paper drive at the back of the Offset Paperback Company, Dallas. The paper drive turned out to be a success.

Kunkle Indians lead Minors

Manager Bob Oeller's Kunkle Indians are headed for a perfect season in the Minors Division of the Bob Horlacher Memorial Little League as Minor division teams start into the home stretch with only four games remaining to be played on the straight season schedule.

Through Saturday's games the Indians had compiled a record of nine wins and had not tasted defeat. Kunkle's remaining games were scheduled against the Harveys Lake Bears last evening; on Saturday, Kunkle is slated to meet Centermoreland, then play the Beaumont Bombers at Beaumont on June 23, and windup their straight season schedule on Tuesday, June 26 against the second place Orange Yankees at Orange.

Orange is in second place in the league standings with a record of six wins and three losses. In games played last week, Harveys Lake Bears beat Noxen, 28 to 15, on Monday evening; Kunkle defeated the Beaumont Dodgers, 18 to 6; Harveys Lake Bears upended Beaumont's Bombers, 10 to 7, and Orange Yankees outlasted the Centermoreland Phillies, 18 to 11, on Wednesday. Saturday's results saw Beaumont Bombers win a 20-18 squeaker from the Orange Yankees; Harveys Lake Pirates beat Harveys Lake Bears, 8 to 5; Kunkle whitewashed Beaumont Dodgers, 7 to 0, and the Centermoreland Phillies fattened their batting averages, 22 to 14, in beating Noxen. Kunkle needs two wins

Noxen homecoming plans

The Noxen Fire Company Homecoming Committee will meet Thursday, June 14, at 7 p.m. at the Fire Hall. "A Magic Show by Mary" will open this year's three-day event at 6 p.m. on Friday evening July 13.

The Cub Scout Pack 530 will open Saturday activities at 11 a.m. with a Pine Derby Race against their fathers and any other challengers. Sunday will open at 1 p.m. with the annual dinner chaired by Harold Bennett.

Organ music by "Bobby" will be heard during Saturday and Sunday. Food stands will be open all three days under the direction of Audrey Lyons and Clara Lyons. Parade chairman Elmer Lyons announced that the parade will be on Saturday, July 14 at 2 p.m. with the line-up at 1 p.m. A special event for visiting firemen will be held and bunker equipment is needed.



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Assembly of God plans school

The Rev. Keith A. Holt announced today that there will be a Christian school meeting at First Assembly of God, 340 Carverton Rd., Trucksville, on June 18 at 7 p.m.

The Rev. and Mrs. Dennis Madeira, who have operated a Christian school for three years at the Westmoor Church of Christ, will be presenting a talk and a slide presentation explaining the Accelerated Christian Education program. Also, samples of the curriculum used in the school will be available for everyone to look at.

Holt said the meeting has been designed so that parents can fully understand the philosophy and goals of a Christian school and have all their questions answered. Parents who have been considering the option of sending their child to a Christian school are invited to this meeting.