

# On the West Side



**FAMILY DINNER**—Principals at the Family Dinner sponsored by the Senior Holy Name Society of St. John Nepomucene Church, Miller St., Luzerne, seated, left to right, are Prof. Robert Alexander, Joseph Kurpis, Rev.

Edward Shoback, pastor; John Voytek, president. Standing, Joseph Novak, chairman of the breakfast; Thomas Smith, secretary of the society; Joseph Sampson, vice president of the society.

## Here and There

Swoyersville was deeply saddened this past week over the passing away of several of its citizens: Carl Baron, Hughes St., Mrs. Elizabeth Lyons St., Juliana Pastelak, Main St. Stephen Marcin, a former teacher at Swoyersville High, passed away in Maryland.

Many of Bob Booth Sr., friends in Swoyersville, Luzerne and Forty Fort were greatly shocked over the death of his son Bob Jr. of Forty Fort in an unfortunate drowning accident last weekend. Bob Sr. and his late wife, Louise were two of Stack's greatest softball boosters. Bob Sr. served as scorekeeper for many years.

Paul Pasek, head football coach of the Swoyersville Jr. Sailors, announced that final registrations will be held this coming Saturday, July 10 from 10-1 p.m. at the Swoyersville Borough Building.

Coach Pasek stated that a \$5.00 registration fee will be charged and all boys entering must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. He also said that physicals are being planned and arranged and will be at a later date.

Rev. Martin Dacey,

pastor of Holy Name of Jesus Church, Shoemaker Street, Swoyersville announced that the parish will hold their Annual Bazaar this coming Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 8, 9 and 10 at the parish grounds on Wyoming Avenue in Forty Fort between Tripp and Yeager Ave.

The bazaar will feature games, fine food and live entertainment. The affair will begin at 6 p.m. each evening, Thursday evening, July 8, Pat Ward, well known clown will appear between 7 and 10 p.m. TV's Uncle Ted will present his magic show at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Live music will be provided nightly by the Last Minit Band. There will be the best of foods, refreshments, prizes and surprises.

Co-chairmen are Neal Bennett and Ray Rovinsky.

All these years, Dean Piazza, borough workers of Chestnut Street, Swoyersville and a top athlete at West Side Tech., has been just about the only Atlanta Braves rooster. Now that the Braves are playing respectable ball and leading the West Division of the National League it seems that quite a few others are beginning to get on the band wagon.

## Surgan graduates cum laude

Cheryl Ann Surgan, a 1978 graduate of Wyoming Valley West High School, recently graduated cum laude, from King's College, Wilkes-Barre with a Bachelor of Science in Marketing and Business Administration.

At present, Miss Surgan is employed at Jewelcor Inc. in the Gateway Shopping Center in Kingston.

Cheryl is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al Surgan of Jay Street, Swoyersville.



## with Joe Gula

The Plug is one of these fence jumpers but Max Chiago won't accept the change because the Plug has been a Phillie fan all of his life.

Two of the most surprised men last weekend were Virgil Furnar and Vince Piazza while they were sipping a few suds at the Italian Ruinita Hall on Oliver Street, Swoyersville when a large gentleman entered the establishment and sat down to have a cool brew. The two men just looked in amazement as bartender Max Chiago served the gentleman and proceeded to strike up a conversation. The two young men knew that they saw this big gentleman but couldn't place him out of uniform or jacket.

Max introduced Walt Michaels, coach of the New York Jets to Virgil and Vince. Lo and behold, Vince had a Phillie Eagle shirt on and Walt called him a traitor. The two men were in awe when Walt left as he autographed photos for them and Max, and Walt left a reminder of a lingering bet for the Plug.

Congratulations to Bob Ontko Jr., on the fine game he played in the recent Unico football game at Wyoming recently. Bob will be getting ready to play in the Big 33 game at Johnstown, on Saturday, July 24. After this game, young Bob will be on his way to Penn State University where he will spend the next four years and everyone is rooting for him to make good and with the guts and fortitude that young Bob has, he will do good.

Patte's Sportsmen Bar of Hollenback Avenue, Wilkes-Barre made their annual baseball weekend trip. This year's trip was to Boston where the club members saw a terrific game on Saturday as

Milwaukee edged out the Red Sox by 11-10. Nine homers were hit. On Sunday, they saw the Brewers beat the Sox again by a 7-5 score. The men left early Saturday morning and got back late Sunday night.

Local members who made the trip were John Foglietta, Vince Savoca, Mike Simko, Joe Patatore, Angelo Siracuse, Chick Sikora, Bill Boney and Pluggy Piazza.

Their next trip will be to see the Yanks play the Red Sox on Saturday in New York and on Sunday, they will see the Jets play the Houston Oilers.

Did you ever pay \$108.50 for French fries? Well the six men who made the trip to Boston from Patte's Sportsmen Bar in Wilkes-Barre did. Pluggy Piazza was hungry and he asked John Foglietta where a good place to eat was and John said he knew the best. They went into this restaurant and ordered a whole lobster, clam chowder and French fries. They tasted the soup, pushed it aside, did the same with the lobster, pushed it aside and ate the French fries which cost them \$108.50 besides the tip. Pluggy and John won't live this one down.

Steve Adamchak Jr. said that his Shanky's team of the Thursday Nite at the Coal St. Diamond in Wilkes-Barre record is 7-2 and will be playing for the top spot this coming week. They will also participate in the tournament at the new Drifton Complex in Hazleton. Shanky's is one of the teams that was asked to participate for the top record of last year.

The Clover Club, Swoyersville held their annual baseball trip to Veterans Stadium last weekend to see the game between the Phillies and the Mets with the Phillies sweeping the five game series. Everyone had a hit no time, especially the president of the Yankee fan club.

The Holy Name Society of Holy Trinity Parish of Hughes Street, Swoyersville will hold an Old Fashion Family Picnic this coming Sunday, July 11 at the Sacred Heart Park in Dallas.

## Waselewski pitches no-hit, no-run game

WSP Milius' protege duplicates his no-hit, no-run game after 14 years.

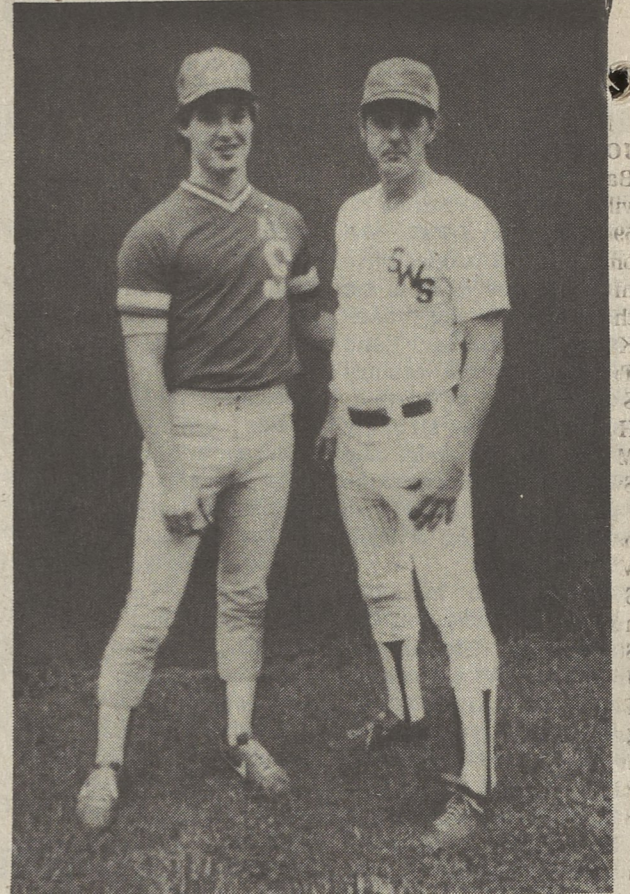
Fourteen years ago, John Milius, manager of Swoyersville-Bayo's semi pro team of Scranton Association League, pitched the last no-hit, no-run game in the league and two weeks ago, Tom Waselewski of Kingston, duplicated the feat of his manager. Young Tom since then also pitched a no-hitter and no-run game with the Swoyersville Legion Team and a few one hitters. He is a graduate of Wyoming Valley West and starred for Jerry Storz' baseball teams helping to take the Wyoming Valley Conference.

In the no-hitter in the Scranton Association League, Tom struck out 21 of 25 batters as the Swoyersville team won by a 11-0 score, 10-run rule after eight innings. They

defeated Bangor Heights.

Manager Milius, manager and first baseman for the Swoyersville Club in the Central League and the Scranton League, was also a top pitcher in his younger days until he hurt his arm going for a foul fly.

John hurled for Coach George Shendock's Swoyersville High baseball teams and took several championships for Coach Shendock and Swoyersville. He went to King's College and helped pitch Coach John Dorish Jr.'s teams to a few pennants. While pitching for King's, Milius faced the following players who are now in the big leagues, Gary Lavelle and Ed Halicki, both with the San Francisco Giants, Ed Ott with California, Randy Martz, Detroit, and John Milner of Montreal.



It should also be known that Milius was one of the youngest players to begin semi-pro ball at the age of 14.

He is married to the

former Elizabeth Evans of Plains and they are the parents of a daughter, Janelle. Milius is associated with Connolly Inc. of Luzerne.

## West Side Little League Results

### Minor League results:

Hose Co. No. 1 lost a close 9-8 game to the first half champs, Varsity Sod team. Steve Willison was the winning pitcher over Dave Powell of the Hose Co. On the mound also for Varsity Sod were Dennis Kelly and Russ Singer with Gary Miller catching. Tony Lipinski started on the mound for the Hose Co. Catching were Dave Powell and Bill Quinn. Umpires were Joe Suda and Russ Singer Sr.

The United Pants team unleashed a big attack against the Buccaneers by taking a 10-3 win. Lou Marcin was the winning hurler with Tim Wojnarski catching. Joe June, Eric Pollick and Gerard Emershaw were on the mound for the Bucs with Joe June taking the loss. His brother George, did the catching. Doubles were hit by Lou Marcin, two for the UP and Gerard Emershaw for the Bucs. Umpires were Joe Suda and Tony Strish.

Bednarski's had their hitting shoe on as they trimmed the Hose Co. No. 1 by a 10-4 score. Dave Ash took the win with relief from Joe Amato. Mark Sincavage did the receiving. Bill Quinn and Dave Powell shared the pitching and catching chores with Quinn taking the loss. Extra base hits all by Bednarski's, three bagger by Mark Sincavage and doubles by Joe Amato, Ted Wozniak, Dave Ash and John Demko. Umpires were Joe Suda and John Powell.

The June brothers combination did it again as brother Joe hurled his Buccaneers team to a 7-6 win over the Varsity Sod as George did the receiving. Pitcher Joe had 12 strikeouts. Dennis Kelly had 10 strikeouts for Varsity Sod but the losing hurler was Steve Willison who came in to relieve. Catcher was Gary Miller. Dennis Kelly had two



**BUCCANEERS**—Members of the Buccaneers team of the Swoyersville Minor League managed by Joe Pollick Sr. and assisted by Jerry Emershaw Sr. The team ended the first half in second place and are now leading the league in the second half. The youngsters play at least two games a week and are always eagerly awaiting to get the chance to play. Above, first row, left to right, Joe June, Alan Parente, Gery Marcin, James Reilly, George June; second row, Jason Stoodley, Chris Besarmin, Erick Pollick, Jay Stoodley, Gerard Emershaw; third row, Joe Pollick Sr., manager; Jerry Emershaw, coach.

doubles and a single for Varsity Sod. Getting to singles apiece for the Bucs were Eric Pollick, Jason Stoodley and Gerard Emershaw. Umpires were Joe Suda, Tony Strish and Russ Singer.

The Bucs record for the second half is 4-2 and the first half champs Varsity Sod 1-5.

### Major League results:

Swoyersville Branch, Luzerne Bank 7 and Kiwanis 5. Scott Cywinski was the winning hurler for the Bank with Dave Schwenk catching. Damien Cavuto and Nathan Santos did the pitching for the Kiwanis with Damien Cavuto and Carl Sprague dividing the catching. Santos took the loss. Extra base hits by the Bank, doubles by Joe Pollick, Dave Schwenk and Don Saltz. Mark Chiazza had a triple for Kiwanis. Umpires were Norm Salus, John Antall, John Dushanko and Ozzie Williams.

The Swoyersville Bank came back to take their second game in a row as they beat Cicero's by a 6-4 score. Chris Barbose was the winning hurler with Ken Smith catching. Mark Romanowski took

the loss with Tom Casterline catching. Doubles were hit by Joe Pollick and Ed Manarski of the Bank team and Mark Romanowski of Cicero's. Umpires were Mike Romanowski and John Dushanko.

Rich Verry with a strong pitching game giving up three hits and striking out 17 batters led the CWV leaders to a 10-0 win over the Swoyersville Bank. Verry's battery mate was Rich Burda. Joe Pollick hurled for the Bank with Ken Smith catching. Extra base hits were by Rich Burda, 3, Mario Maffei and Mark Krajnak. Umpires were Mike Romanowski, Vince Krajnak, and John Dushanko.

The Kiwanis young team came back to take a close 4-3 win over the Lions Club. Jim LaNunziata took the win with help from Damien Cavuto caught for the Kiwanis. Umpires were Ozzie Williams and Vince Krajnak.

Standings for the Major League: CWV 6-0, Swoyersville (Luzerne) Bank 4-2, Lions and Kiwanis 2-4 and Cicero's 1-5.

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