

# Sports



## BACK MOUNTAIN

### BASEBALL

#### WIND-UP

The tough and scrappy Red Sox came on during the week putting two wins in the win column. Emery Yurko and Pete Kerdesky shared the mound chores in an 11-8 win over the Indians. That game saw C.J. Kersey and Jack Baines go two for three and Larry Dymond bang out a triple and single. Other hitters were Kerdesky, Jamie Janosky and Fran Hoover. The Red Sox then went on to defeat the Pirates by a score of 4-3. Matt Balberchak turned in a fine pitching job, racking up five strikeouts and he also cracked a double to help his own cause. Peter Kerdesky chipped in with a perfect three for three while Larry Dymond nailed two hits in three trips to the plate. Emery Yurko, Bobby Luke and C.J. Kersey also cranked out hits for their team.

The Giants stayed close to the front running Astros with wins over the Yankees and Tigers. Todd Sallo was on the mound in the Yankee win, notching 13 strikeouts along with slamming a homer and a double. J.J. Konigus also homered in the contest. In downing the Tigers, the Giants came up with a total of 17 hits including home runs by Sallo, Konigus, Brian Hample and B. Pahler.

The Orioles upped their record by

first beating the Pirates by three runs and then downing the Phillies by an 8-5 score. Scott Brody got the win over the Phillies when he struck out seven batters and upped his pitching record to 4-0. Eric Zimmerman, Roy Phillips and Dave Grudowski all banged out hits for the fourth place Orioles.

#### MAJORS SCORES

Dodgers 6, Tigers 4; Orioles 8, Pirates 5; Red Sox 11, Indians 8; Giants 3, Yankees 1; Astros 13, Reds 6; Giants 27, Tigers 4; Red Sox 4, Pirates 3; Yankees 14, Indians 5; Orioles 8, Phillies 5; Astros 6, Dodgers 5.

#### STANDINGS

Gino's Shoe Stores Astros 9-1  
Daddow Isaacs Post 672 Giants 7-2  
L.A.D. Dodgers 8-3  
R.N. Fitch & Sons Orioles 8-4  
Mahaffey Oil Yankees 8-4  
Franklin's Restaurant Indians 6-7  
Suburban Propane Phillies 4-6  
Castle Inn Red Sox 3-9  
Arthur Shelley Reds 2-7  
Rita Busch Pirates 2-8  
Isaacs Chrys/GMC Tigers 2-8

#### MINORS SCORES

Indians 16, Reds 13; Giants 12, Pirates 3; Orioles 16, Tigers 5; Dodgers 14, Cardinals 1; Astros 11, Phillies 10.

**STANDINGS**  
Watkins and Medura Orioles 5-0  
D.A.G. Rentals Dodgers 4-0  
John Randolph Sr. Giants 5-1  
MacGeorge Auto Yankees 4-1  
Custom Management Pirates 3-1  
Hanover Bank of Pa. Cardinals 2-4  
Mark II Rest. Astros 1-3  
Jack's Collision Indians 1-3  
Bk. Mt. Police Assn. Reds 1-5  
Fay Broody Studio Phillies 0-4  
Kingston Twp. Lions Tigers 0-4

#### SENIOR SOFTBALL SCORES

Cardinals 13, Indians 12; Indians 11, Phillies 10; Cardinals 12, Braves 11; Yankees 9, Orioles 7; Dodgers 10, Northwest 8.

#### STANDINGS

American Asphalt Braves 7-1  
American Party Favor Yankees 4-2  
bonner Chevrolet Phillies 4-3  
Dallas Lion Indians 4-5  
Jim-Jon Tomato Cardinals 3-5  
Discount Office Supply Dodgers 3-5  
Mat Leasing Orioles 3-5  
Northwest 2-3

#### LITTLE LEAGUE SOFTBALL SCORES

Pittston Sewing Center Pirates 7-1  
Bk. Mt. Sporting Goods Dodgers 6-2  
Expos 6-2  
College Misericordia White Sox 2-4  
BJs A's 1-6  
Cards 0-5

## Wilkes-Barre Fats

# Lehman girls shouldn't have played so soon

By LEE L. RICHARDS  
Sports Columnist

Lake-Lehman's Lady Knights captured the District 2 softball crown last week. The very next day they were knocked from their quest for State laurels by a single run.

That's the one aspect of athletics I've always regarded as the most difficult.

Coach Flossie Finn's team was riding the crest of a long winning streak, had some superior talent, but fate wasn't with them. They jumped out to an early lead, but couldn't extend it.



While some folks were predicting a State crown, lady luck felt differently.

Looking at it realistically, it was too much to ask the team to perform up to its level in back-to-back contests, within 24 hours. For that matter, any team.

The PIAA, because of sorry weather recently, has to hurry-up its playoffs.

I'm not making excuses for the Lady Knights. I'm simply trying to point out some of the facts involved in championship playoffs.

I've always felt that in baseball or softball on any given day a team without a whole bunch of athletes could defeat a much superior team. That seems apparent in this case.

This time of year is not the best for coaches and athletes. There's simply too many distractions with exams, graduation and various other school activities.

I've always believed if coaches could overcome these obstacles they were something special. Athletes, too.



Dallas Post/Ed Campbell

## Track team honored

Members of the Dallas Junior High Track Team were recently treated to a pizza party at Joe's Grotto Pizza, Harveys Lake, for capturing the District 2 track title earlier this year. The party was hosted by Joe Paglianite, proprietor of Joe's Grotto; and Paul Gritman, manager, Joe's Grotto.

## Brown's in first

Brown's Oil is the only undefeated team in the Back Mountain Women's Softball League with Betty Newell being their star pitcher. Jody Crispell and Betty Newell are the big hitters as Betty cracked a grand slam in a close battle against the Waterfront. Roz Schmied had a grand slam home run for the losers.

Another close race is between Miller's Economy and American Legion, with just one loss a piece. Angela Biscotta had two home runs against Crispells Garage despite losing a close contest. American Legion has Felicia Tucker being one of their big hitters for the season.

Crispells Garage has just two losses with hitting behind Gladys Crispell and Brenda Zimmerman.

#### STANDINGS

Browns Oil 4-0  
American Legion 3-1  
Miller Economy 3-1  
Crispells Garage 3-2  
Waterfront Inn 2-3  
Lite Beer 2-3  
Grotto Pizza 2-3  
CAA 0-6

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