Sports

BACK MOUNTAIN BASEBALL WIND-UP

Pirates get twin victories

The Pirates picked up two wins during the past week by first shutting out the Tigers, 6-0 and then pounded the Reds, 15 -4. John Morris and Keith Kozel shared mount duties against the Tigers and combined to rack up 12 strikeouts, allowing only one hit in the contest.

Chuckie Finn banged out a triple, driving in two runs while teammate John Morris rapped three hits, including a double for what proved to be all the offense the Pirates would need. The Pirate bats exploded against the Reds after being down by a score of,4-1. Justin Reich and Eoin Ennis collected three big hits each, while Chuck Finn and Eric Paczewski both blasted homers with men aboard.

Other Pirate hitters included Todd Paczewski and Steve Gregor getting two hits apiece. Pitcher Eric Paczewski, in upping his record to 3-1, recorded 13 K's.

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Astro pitcher Mike Malak silenced the Orioles bats by firing 15 strikeouts in a hard fought 4-2 win. Mike Sholtis and Randy Parry both connected for doubles and Mike Malak banged a single with all three hits bringing runners across the plate. Jamie Moyer also cracked a double late in the contest for the winning Astros. Scott Bearley threw a fine game to keep the Orioles close.

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The Yankees remained undefeated at the midway point in the season when they squeaked out a 4-3 win over the scrappy Astros, and then scored an 11-6 win over the Phillies.

That game had Dave Fischer and Ray Russin sharing the pitching chores, recording 11 K's between them. Yankee hitters Jamie Janosky went a perfect 4 for 4, Pete Kerdesky nailed 3 hits in 4 attempts and Brian Miller went 2 for 4.

Russin cranked one over the fence while also going 2 for 4 at the plate.

MAJORS

Mahaffey Oil Yankees 11-0
L.A.D. Dodgers 9-1
Rita Busch Salon Pirates 7-4
Franklin's Family Rest. Indians 5-5
R.N. Fitch & Sons Orioles 5-6
Arthur Shelley Inc. Reds 4-6
Isaacs CYR-GMC Tigers 3-6
Drydene Oil Co. Astros 2-7
Daddow Isaacs 672 Giants 2-7
Suburban Propane Phillies 1-7

SCORES

Orioles 3, Reds 2; Dodgers 7, Giants 6; Indians 9, Giants 3; Dodgers 19, Tigers 4

MINORS

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

SCORES

Dodgers 9, Reds 2; Astros 13, Cardinals 7; Giants 1, Phillies 0; Orioles 21, Yankees 6; Tigers 12, Indians 11

The Braves victory over the Indians kept their undefeated record in tact and Joanna Garbush pitched her fourth victory of the season.

Noel Kuznicki led the Braves with a triple, two doubles and two singles. A double and a single in the hitting attack by Paula Sweitzer came in time to aid the team. Garbush helped her own cause with two singles. Key hits aiding the team were by Carol Kropp, Marcia McCarroll, Kelly Solinski, Lori Cannon and Sue Slocum.

SOFTBALL DIVISION II

American Asphalt Braves 7-0
American Party Favors Yankees 5-1
Dallas Lions Indians 3-4
Bonner Chevrolet Phillies 1-3
Mat Leasing 1-4
Jim Jon Tomatoes Cardinals 0-5

SCORES

Braves 19, Indians 2; Yankees 17, Orioles 7

SOFTBALL DIVISION I

Bk. Mt. Sporting Goods Dodgers 7-0
Pittston Sewing Center Pirates 5-2
Expos 4-3
Reds 4-3
BJS A's 4-4
College Misericordia White Sox 2-5
Cardinals 2-5
Phillies 0-6

SCORES

Pirates 18, Phillies 7; A's 3, Expos 2; Cardinals 10, White Sox 9

Tournament set

The Dallas High School Soccer Team is planning a trip to Scotland in the summer of 1986. In order to make this trip economically possible for all boys who are members of the varsity team or who will have been on the team for two years, the Soccer Club composed of parents of team members are sponsoring a Golf Tournament to help raise funds. A day of golf and comradery is planned at the Irem Temple Country Club in Dallas on June 21 beginning at 2 p.m. A shot gun start with the calloway system of scoring will be used. After play has been completed, dinner will be served and prizes will be awarded. Committee members are now in the process of obtaining sponsors for this event as well as registering players. Area golfers are invited to play this beautiful course and compete for over $600 in prizes. Trophies will also be awarded to low gross and low net golfers. Reservations to participate in this tournament may be made by calling 696-1343. Deadline for reservations is June 7. Shown here, from left, are Barry Fies, Irem Temple Country Club Golf Pro as he takes time out from golf tournament preparations to give some golf tips to Dallas High School Soccer Team membrs Jason Maniskas, Donald Hopkins and Ray Besecker.

Bosak ends basic training

Army Reserve Private Thomas R. Bosak, son of Theresa M. and John B. Bosak of 109 Elinore St., Shavertown, has completed basic training at Fort Dix, N.J.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

He is a 1984 graduate of West Side Technical High School, Pringle.

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Rodgers on sports

Today's youth want guidance, not just lectures on the don'ts

By JOHN RODGERS
Staff Correspondent

Let's talk turkey, let's throw the bull, let's compare notes and let's be honest. These were four starting lines I was approached with recently at a graduation party I attended. They were opening lines for conversation on a subject I was completely unprepared for by four high school seniors, three boys and one girl.

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The subject — what would you say to a child, especially concerning athletics? Wow! What can you say? I started with the "Old" cliche, just be honest and do your best, try and meet your goals, that kind of stuff. Well they didn't go for it. Let's get down to facts was their reply.

Here are some of their ideas on this and, boy, they make a lot of sense.

Obviously, we set goals, both academically and athletically and we try to reach them — sometimes with success, sometimes without — but doesn't anyone realize we have more fields to attain these goals than most people. This is the most important years of our lives now, everything we do is setting the stage for our adult lives. As one put it, we have to set goals in everything from the way we eat, who we hang around with, the way we dress, not to mention our grades and athletics. Well this is where I tried to limit the conversation to sports, realizing I didn't have enough experience in other areas.

This is where I searched and found their biggest complaint. That is that they are always reminded of the "dont's" — the bad things with little or no emphasis on their good qualities, qualities they could work on harder and perfect to use as their foundations.

Also they have no modern day heroes to look up to, to set examples. As one said, people in the generation ahead of them had some good books and movies like the Lou Gehrig Story or Brian's Song, something to make people think and relate to.

They say they have the movie, "The Natural," but for the most part all they hear about are drugs and drinking. They said they got the message, but how about the alternatives. Why doesn't someone stress this, they asked, and give us some guidelines instead of always telling us what we shouldn't do. Let us, as individuals, know what we're good at and give us ideas on how to use them.

Well, the conversation went on and on, the group got bigger, parents joined in, there were even a few coaches involved and when I get home, it had me doing some serious thinking to myself.

Do you realize all our sports programs around here are directly mainly for the age groups between 6 to 18, from roughly first grade to seniors? After that it's almost a lost issue, which puts post graduation sports at a near null. Oh yeah, there are few scattered amateur leagues around and there is college, but in many cases after high school, these leagues cannot satisfy everyone's schedules and not everyone will go to college which leaves things in somewhat of a neutral zone. So where do we go from here? I don't really have any answers for sure, but maybe someone else does.

As I stated, I have no sure solution to a very realistic problem that maybe we all didn't take notice of, but if anyone has any ideas no matter how small you think they may be, pass it on. As a well known commercial says, "It's the start of a new generation." Let's give it all we have to offer.

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