

# Sports

## Little League news

The Giants picked up a win outscoring the Reds, 6-1. Paul Klemunes was credited with the win with fine relief help coming from Donny James, Ken Miroslaw and Ernie Chamberlain allowing just two hits by the Reds. On offense for the Giants, Don James batted out 4 hits in 4 bats, Rob Spencer and Ken Miroslaw went 3 for 4 and Ernie Chamberlain, Shawn Kelly and Klemunes ripped a hit a piece.

The Pirates ran their record to 5-0 by first downing the Yankees 8-7 and then upending the Orioles 18-13. In the Yankee win, John Morris did the mound chores recording 11 strikeouts to run his record to 3-0. Morris came thru with two hits while teammate Chuck Finn led the way with three solid hits including a double and triple. Jason Kaylor chipped in with three hits to help the Pirate cause. Brian Miller and Ned Palka pitched a tough game for the Yankees. While downing the Orioles, Jason Kaylor had 3 hits, including 2 doubles and Joe Kristan, Chuck Finn, Todd Paczewski and John Morris each slammed two hits.

### STANDINGS MAJORS

- Rita Busch Salon Pirates 5-0
- Dryden Oil Co. Astros 3-2
- Mahaffey Oil Yankees 3-2
- Franklin's Family Rest. Indians 2-3
- R.N. Fitch & Sons Orioles 2-3
- Suburban Propane Phillies 2-3
- Arthur Shellin Inc. Reds 2-3
- Isaacs-CYR-GMC Tigers 2-3
- Daddow Isaacs 672 Giants 1-4

**SCORES FOR THE WEEK:** Dodgers 7, Giants 0; Orioles 9, Reds 5; Tigers 21, Astros 9; Phillies 9, Astros 5; Pirates 8, Yankees 7;

Astros 5, Dodgers 3; Tigers 7, Phillies 3; Indians 12, Yankees 6; Pirates 18, Orioles 13; Giants 6, Reds 1.

### MINORS

- D.A.G. Rentals Dodgers 2-0
- Custom Management Pirates 2-0
- MacGeorge Auto-Truck Yankees 2-0
- John M. Randolph Sr. Giants 1-0
- Jack's Collision Service Indians 1-0
- Cardinals 1-1
- Dr. Watkins & Medura Orioles 0-2
- Fay Broody Studio Phillies 0-2
- Back Mt. Police Assn. Reds 0-2
- Kingston Twp. Lions Tigers 0-2.

**SCORES FOR THE WEEK:** Yankees 18, Tigers 11; Dodgers 7, Cardinals 4; Indians 19, Phillies 7; Giants 7, Orioles 3; Pirates 15, Reds 7.

### DIVISION II SOFTBALL

- American Party Favors Yankees 1-0
- Dallas Lions Indians 1-0
- Jim Jon Tomatoes Cardinals 2-1
- Wyoming-West Wyoming Eagles 1-2

Bonner Chevrolet Phillies 0-2  
**SCORES FOR THE WEEK:** Yankees 16, Eagles 6; Yankees 8, Indians 8, called after 6 innings darkness; Cardinals 11, Phillies 10.

### DIVISION II SOFTBALL

- Pittston Sewing Center Pirates 3-0
- BJSJA's 2-1
- Gunn Bros. Garage Cardinals 2-1
- Red Sox 1-1
- Misericordia White Sox 1-2
- Bk. Mt. Sporting Goods Dodgers 1-3
- Phillies 1-3

**SCORES FOR THE WEEK:** Pirates 14, Phillies 11; A's 22, Dodgers 2; Cardinals 11, White Sox 0; Phillies 23, Dodgers 8.



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### Givin' it her all!

Tracy Cave of the Dallas girls' softball team gives it her all as she prepares to release a pitch during last week's game against Meyers High School.

## Lady Knights bounce back for three wins

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
Staff Correspondent

After losing to Dallas in the seventh inning last Monday, the Lady Knights of Lake-Lehman went on to win three games to run their record to 3-2, defeating Coughlin 11-5, Thursday; Hanover 10-6, Wednesday; and took Nanticoke 5-3, Tuesday afternoon.

In Thursday's game with the Coughlin Crusaders, the Lady Knights uses errors by the Crusaders to their advantage in the third inning, scoring six runs to increase their lead to 9-1.

In the first inning the Knights scored two runs on two walks and a single by pitcher Beth Finn which drove home Kelly Wandel and Cindy Slocum. They scored a third run in the second inning.

In the six-run third inning, Finn, Debbie Levi, Lori Cannon and Noel Kuznicki scored. Kuznicki advanced to third on singles by Lori Pantle and Susie Slocum and scored on a balk by the Crusaders pitcher. Pantle and Slocum came home for the fifth and sixth runs of the inning.

Coughlin scored one run in the third and one in the fourth, then made a strong effort in the seventh pushing across three runs before they were put out.

The Knights came on strong in the sixth inning when they scored two runs on singles by Levi and Susie Slocum.

Finn went all the way for the Knights striking out seven and walking five. Laura Vissotski was the losing hurler for the Crusaders, striking out one, walking 11 and giving up 11 hits.

Cindy Slocum's three-run homer in the sixth inning helped the Knights take a 10-6 from the Hanover girls.

The Knights pushed across four runs in the first inning and scored three in the fifth and three in the sixth to move their lead to 10.

The Hawkeyes scored two runs in the fifth inning on a two-run homer by Leigh Lahr, scored one run in the sixth and added three more in the seventh led by Leigh Lahr, who went 4-for-5 at the plate.

Cindy Slocum had two for three for the day and Lori Pantle drove

out a long triple for the Knights.

Finn pitched five innings, fanning eight and walking seven and earned the win. Pam Coolbaugh pitched the final two innings striking out one and walking two.

The Knights were leading 3-0 going into the bottom of the sixth when Nanticoke scored three runs. Trojan Kelly Levix grounded out then Finn walked two batters and Denise Bertrand drove in a run with a single. Lori Lewis singled to drive in a second run and Bertrand scored the third run when Maria Lutz' bunt single was thrown over first base, before the Knights got one Trojan out on a ground ball and threw out Lewis trying to score.

Coach Flossie Finn's Knights took back the lead in the top of the seventh picking up two unearned runs. In the bottom of the seventh, Finn walked the first two Trojans and Coach Finn pulled her from the game replacing her with Pam Coolbaugh. Coolbaugh walked two batters with one out to load the bases. Finn came back in the game and struck out Karen Belles, then got Denise Bertrand on a weak ground ball to first base to end the game with the Knights winning 5-3.

On Monday Knight hurler Beth Finn had a two-hit shut out going into the seventh inning with a 3-0 score behind her when the Dallas Mountaineers exploded, took advantage of walks, two hits and scored eight runs to win the game 8-3 and continue undefeated while the Knights dropped to 11-2.

Finn turned in an outstanding performance before she lost control in the seventh inning. After the sixth run crossed the plate, Coach Finn pulled Beth and sent in Lori Cannon to the mound.

Cannon had control problems and walked Lisa Gabel and Chris Legenz to move the score to 7-3. Beth Finn returned to the game and pitched to Heidi Scholz, who singled to drive in Tracy Cave. Tracy Hunter hit into a fielder's choice to end the inning.

In the bottom of the seventh, Tracy Cave put out Pam Coolbaugh at first with Coolbaugh's grounder to the pitcher's mound. Noel Kuznicki hit a fly to left field and Beth Finn grounded out to shortstop to end the game.

## Rogers on sports

Last week Gene Upshaw, Executive Director of the National Football League Players Association, said the drug problem in the NFL is being painted as a 'black issue.'

Upshaw pointed out that since 1980, 37 of the 43 NFL players who have been tied to drugs have been black; furthermore, the seven players that have been suspended for drug abuse have all been black.



RICK ROGERS

To underscore Upshaw's point, former Viking great Carl Eller, himself a one-time drug addict and now a drug consultant to the NFL, said that he knows of cases where teams protected white drug users while making public similar cases about black players.

Although an argument for the discrepancy in numbers can be based upon the fact that there are more blacks in the NFL than whites, the numbers seem way out of line with the reality of the situation.

It is only too believable that white owners and coaches would protect white drug users from the wrath of public outrage, a public that is predominantly white and one that fills their stadiums every Sunday — while at the same time, use black players as the pound of flesh the public wanted as proof that drug users are not getting off scott-free.

But the drug problem in sports is a color problem. It's just that the colors aren't black and white.

The colors of the flag of drug abuse are: white, green and gray. White because that is the color of cocaine; green because cocaine is expensive and the only way these guys can afford it is to make the huge amounts they do; and gray because after the green is paid and the white is cut, the trip is a short one to the brain.

The NFL clubs must be consistent with how they handle drug users in their ranks. Since the drug problem is not black or white, coaches and owners who view it as such are just asking to be turned two colors themselves—black and blue, very blue.

## Run slated

The Fifth Annual Mercy Hospital Five Mile Run to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Clinic of Northeastern Pennsylvania will be held this Saturday, May 17 beginning at 10 a.m. The start and finish point is at Mercy Hospital. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m.

The first 300 registered runners will receive free racing singlets. Olympic style medallions will be presented to the top three finishers in each of 22 categories. Special awards will be presented to the top overall male and female runners. The Mercy Hospital Youth Award will be given to the youngest first place finisher, and the Mercy Hospital President's Award to the oldest first place finisher.

Registration forms are available at local sporting goods stores or by calling the Mercy Wellness Center at 826-3553, Monday thru Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

## Mountaineer boys suffer through slump

By RICK ROGERS  
Staff Correspondent

The Dallas baseball team is on a roll. Unfortunately, it's the wrong way — downhill — and at the worst time — the end of the season when teams are gearing up for the playoffs.

The Mountaineers lost to Lake-Lehman on Tuesday, 7-5, and the week got worse as they lost two more games.

On Thursday in a game against Meyers, Dallas rallied for four runs in the last inning, but it wasn't enough to overcome the 8-1 advantage Meyers held by the fourth. Dallas lost 9-7.

On Friday, Dallas, with its star pitcher Mark Konopki on the mound, lost a 5-3 game to Bishop Hoban, who had just won four games all year.

The only bright spot for Dallas in that game was Tim Moyer's two-run homer in the fourth which momentarily tied the game at 2-all.

Hoban scored three times in the fifth for all the runs it needed.

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