

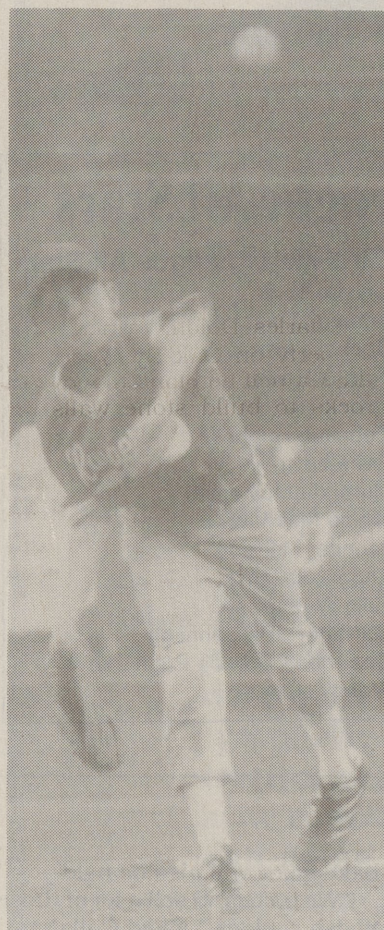
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David Walters stretched for the throw as the Rangers' Brian Whalen slid into second.



At left, Ricky Branco pulled up at third base. Center, The Astros' Pat Rother slid into second under a tab from Brian Dempsey, with Billy Evans backing up. David Rodgers was the umpire. At right, Tim Faneck started for the Rangers.



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Dragons plan to test their soccer skills in Europe

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BACK MOUNTAIN - Over the past seven years, Paul Callahan has become quite familiar with a group of girls known as the Dragons. He's watched them mature from grade school through high school. During that time he's seen the girls graduate from toy chests to automobiles while passing through numerous other phases and crazes in-between.

The Dragons are just one of a number of traveling soccer clubs that hail from the Back Mountain. Callahan's been teaching and coaching the game of soccer - year round - through the various age divisions to practically the same group of girls since 1989.

"We've seen them all grow up since the team started playing together in 1989," said Callahan, "and they're all driving themselves to practice now. It makes you turn around and wonder where did the time go?"

On occasion, the Dragons have lost a player or two, usually because of their parents relocating. Likewise, they've added some players along the way, but 10 members of the current roster of 16 have run the soccer gambit to-

"From what I've been told it's pretty physical over there. We'll find out next year."

Paul Callahan
Dragons coach

gether under Callahan each of the last seven years.

The majority of the girls will be seniors in high school come fall. This will be their last year playing together, but before it's over they'll embark on one final journey with coach Callahan.

The Dragons will visit Europe next July with plans to compete in at least one European tournament. The idea came as a result of a very successful showing in the United Junior League out of Philadelphia last fall.

"We won the league during our first year, which was pretty outstanding," said Callahan.

The Dragons played in the prestigious league to witness just how well their skills ranked against some prime competition. With a first place showing to their credit,

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Outside shooters rule in rec basketball play

Long range sharpshooters were on the loose in the Dallas Boro Summer Basketball League last Wednesday as 38 three or four point goals were scored.

Dallas High junior Dan Nichol scorched the nets with seven three-point goals and 29 points to lead Camp Orchard Hill to a 90-49 blowout of Athletic Image. Steve Smith added 22.

"Oldtimer" Chuck Wilson fired in 20 points including four treys to lead Woychick Acc. to a 69-58 win over The Lion Inc. in the middle game of the evening.

Frank Debona, another member of the "over 40 set," had six three-pointers and 20 points to pace the undefeated Hosey's A.C. over Olivers 82-63. Jerimiah Van Orden took scoring honors for the evening with 35 in a losing effort for Olivers.

Earlier in the week Olivers whipped the Knights 52-33. The

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Lion edged Athletic Image 46-43 and Hosey's outlasted Camp Orchard Hill 62-56. Play continues on Mondays and Wednesdays at 5:15 at the Rec. Center on Burndale Road.

League Standings:

Hosey's A.C.	3-0
Camp Orchard Hill	2-1
The Knights	1-1
Woychick Acc.	1-1
Olivers	1-1
Lion Inc.	1-2
Athletic Image	0-3

Schedule for 6/26

5:15 - Camp Orchard Hill vs. Woychick Acc.
6:15 - Lion Inc. vs. the Knights
7:15 - Athletic Image vs. Olivers
Bye - Hosey's A.C.

Astros end Rangers' run of Major League titles

The Rangers returned again to assert their dominance in the Major League championship game under the coaching of Tom Evans and staff, but instead were disappointed by the Astros' first appearance in the game since 1992, when the Rangers began their string of final appearances.

The Rangers got off to a fast start, holding the Astros scoreless with great defensive play and

the pitching of Tim Faneck, and scored two runs in the first inning when Faneck and Billy Evans got singles with Shawn Whalen smacking a single to send home the two runners.

In the second inning, the Astros' David Walters got the first of his three hits; a single double, and triple respectively, and landed on third base after an error in the outfield. He then scored as he stole home on a passed ball for the

only run in the inning.

Both teams put runs on the scoreboard in the third, making the score 6-4 in favor of the Astros. The Astros sent nine batters to the plate with Ricky Branco, Chip Harrison, Wally Karl, Walters, and Stephen Luksh provided the hitting behind the runs.

Evans provided the only hit for the Rangers and scored one of their two runs. Shawn Whalen

scored the second run off a hit from his brother, Brian, and an Astro error.

The Astros scored one more each in the fourth and fifth by Joe Yankoski and Walters to make the final score 8-4. Yankoski finished pitching the game with good defensive plays by Justin Sayre and Walters holding the Rangers scoreless for the remainder of the game.

Back Mt. Major League All Stars

American League All Stars	
Name	Team
Jeffrey Dickson	A's
Adam Tkaczyk	A's
Jeff Emanuel	Yankees
Bobby Gebhardt	Yankees
Todd Kerestes	Yankees
John Pambianco	Yankees
Billy Evans	Rangers
Tim Faneck	Rangers
Michael Fellingner	Indians
Edward Krasniak	Orioles
Ryan Gryskewicz	Orioles
Jimmy Jordan	Indians
David Lohin	Red Sox
Luke Miller	Red Sox
Manager: Joe Kerestes	
Coaches: Tom Evans, Jeff Dickson	

National League All Stars	
Name	Team
Chip Harrison	Astros
Jamie Rhodes	Astros
Ricky Branco	Astros
Andrew Dale	Cardinals
Brian Downey	Cardinals
Matt Metz	Cardinals
Jim Belles	Giants
Drew Suszko	Pirates
Jordy Spencer	Pirates
Eric Kowalek	Dodgers
Josh Bryant	Dodgers
Aaron Moyer	Dodgers
Joel Lesinski	Phillies
Colin Donnelly	Phillies
Coaches: Chris Harrison, Phil Dale, Andy Suszko, Tom Dougherty	

White Sox whitewash Cards, advance to softball finals

In a well-played game the White Sox beat the Cardinals 7-2 in the semi-finals of the Major League Softball Playoffs. Molly Guntli was the complete game winning pitcher, giving up only four hits. One of the four hits was a long triple by the Cardinals Katie Delaney.

The White Sox hitting was led by Katie Rhodes, Courtney Dombroski and Molly Guntli, with two hits each. The Cardinals com-

Girls basketball clinic at Dallas

A basketball clinic for girls entering grades 3-6 will be held at Dallas High School Mon., July 1 and Tue., July 2, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. Kim Barbacci, head coach of the Dallas High School team, is director of the clinic, which will teach the fundamentals of dribbling, shooting, passing, rebounding and cutting.

There is a fee of \$35 per camper, and campers must bring their own lunch and drinks. Deadline for registration is June 29. To register, mail a non-refundable payment to: Dallas Girls Basketball Boosters, c/o Kim Barbacci, RR 3, Box 294-B, Dallas PA 18612. Call 333-5341 for more information.

Softball Championship Thurs., June 27 - 7:45 p.m. Little League field

pleted a fine season finishing first in the regular season with a league record of 8-2.

The White Sox advance to the playoff championship on Thursday against the Red Sox. The game will be at 7:45 at the Little League field.

Shultz pitches, bats Red Sox to AAA playoff win

David Shultz pitched the win for the Red Sox while striking out 11 Yankees on the way to a 13-9 Sox playoff victory. Shultz had two hits at the plate along with teammate Pat Harmon. Other hits for the Red Sox were provided by Kevin Elston's double and Ryan Marascio and Jack Leahigh each collecting three hits apiece.

Cardinals 21 - Dodgers 14

Eric Kurello came in as a relief pitcher to pick up his win on the mound for the Cardinals. Hitting for the Cardinals were Steve Neiman, one homer, Craig Kasper, Alex Flack, Eric Kurello, Mark Mueller, Alan Putney, Ryan Ulblich and Kyle Hesson all collecting two or more hits at the plate. Dodgers hitters getting two hits were Nick Horvath and Patrick McMahon.

The Red Sox and Cardinals will meet Thursday, June 27 for the title game.

Regular season scores

Red Sox 11 - Yankees 0

Ryan Marascio was the win-

ning pitcher with eight strikeouts. Ken Chamberlain, David Shultz, and Pat Harmon all had singles in the game for the Red Sox. Matt Moser had a single for the Yankees.

Orioles 15 - Red Sox 14

Tom Van Horn and John Magehan had doubles along with Morgan Anderson hitting two doubles for the Orioles. Also, Brandon Sherlinski and Jonathan Baker had three hits apiece for their team. For the Red Sox, David Shultz cleaned the bases with one of his two hits along with Ken Chamberlain, Jonathan Morgan and Tim Crossin all getting two hits in the game.

Cardinals 6 - Reds 4

The Cardinals win gave them the best record for the National Division teams for the AAA playoffs behind the pitching of Ryan Ulblich. Pitching for the Reds was Luke Marchakitis striking out 11 of his opponents.

Cardinal hitters with extra bases were Stein Neiman, Alex Flack and Craig Kasper.

U-13 girls travel team tryouts

Northeast Attack Fall '96 U-13 Girls Travel Soccer team will hold its final tryout Tues., July 2 at 6 p.m. at the NE Attack home fields on 42nd Street in Dallas. All girls born between Aug. 1, 1983 and July 31, 1984 are eligible to try out. Any interested player unable to attend this tryout should contact coaches Rich and Joyce Dempsey at 696-2525 to arrange an alternate tryout date.