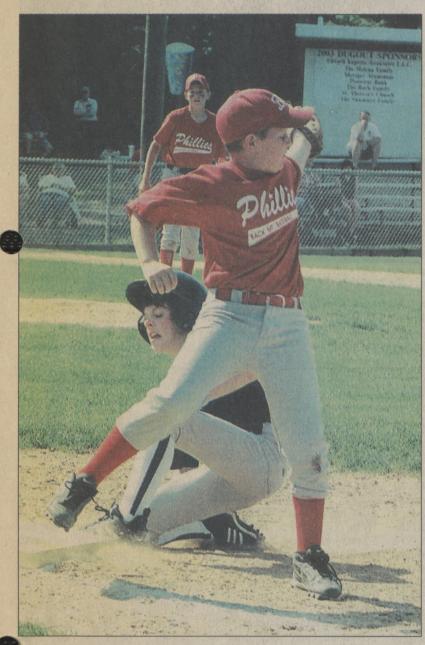
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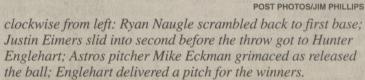
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The Phillies npped the Astros 2-1 in a first-round Back Mountain Baseball championship playoff game Tuesday night. In their next game, Wednesday, the Phils beat the Giants 10-3 to win the National League championship. In photos above,







Rain washes away hope of LL also-rans

First, the endless rain was a blessing to Back Mountain Little League baseball teams that had struggled in the regular season. That was when league officials decided to cancel the final Saturday of the season and let every team have a chance to become the 2003 champion.

Then it rained again, and washed away the hopes of all but the top four teams in each division, who began playoff action Tuesday night.

"Until last week we weren't too bad," said Jack Snyder, President of Back Mountain Baseball. He and other officials had decided at that time to let every team play for the championship, since none had been able to make up all their rained out regular-season games.

All-Star schedule

Baseball 2 p.m. - Exeter at BMT American 4 p.m. - Jenkins Twp. at BMT National Winner plays second round game Sun., June 29, 6 p.m. Softball 6 p.m. - BMT at Duryea Winner plays second round game Sunday at 6 p.m. 9-10 Softball 4 p.m. - BMT vs. Avoca/Dupont at Mountain Top Tues. July 1 Junior Baseball 5:30 p.m. - Fort Swoyer-Ed/Lark at Harveys Lake BMT has a bye Wed. July 2 Senior Baseball 5:30 p.m. - BMT at Duryea

But last Saturday's deluge made it impossible to squeeze in enough playoff rounds to crown a champion before the start of allstar play. As a result, only the top four teams in the American and National divisions were included in games that started Tuesday. In the American League, the Yankees, A's, Red Sox and Orioles made the cut, while the National League playoff teams were the Phillies, Dodgers, Giants and Astros.

On Tuesday night, the Yankees defeated the Orioles 7-6 to advance to the American League championship game.

On the National League side, the Phillies nipped the Astros 2-1 and the Giants beat the Dodgers 7-6 Tuesday.

The A's defeated the Red Sox 8-3 Wednesday to move to the American League championship game, which followed immediately. Derek Martin pitched a complete game for the win.

The Yankees held on to beat the A's 9-8 for the championship. The Yanks were up 9-3 in the fifth when Martin hit a grand slam to

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Back Mountain Baseball names 2003 All-Stars in baseball and softball

American Major League All-Stars

Darius Fetchko, David Fetchko, Brian Haughwout, Patrick Healey, Derek Martin, Steven Meskers, Henry Dessinger, Cody Plesnar, Joshua Shaver, Ryan Urzen, Thomas Youells Jr., David Zurek. Thomas Horn, Russell Jenkins, Casey Judge, Ryan Naugle, Stephen Olshemski, Joseph Osick, Robert Peron, Stephen Schilling, Cory Shaver, T.J. Stepanski,

Seniors All-Stars

Kenny Chamberlain, David Harding, Matthew Kapitula, Gracjan Kraszewski, Ryan Marascio, Lukas Marchakitus, Eric Samanas, Nicholas Samanas, Matthew Shiskowski, Matthew Shumbris, Matthew Straub, Jacob Stryjewski. ins, Marc Noyalis, Adam Paulauskas, Joshua Ryan, Drew Schaub, Jason Schilling, T.J. Shultz, Spencer Youngman, Zachary Yursha.

Major League Softball All-Stars

Ellen Arnaud, Stephanie Ashley, Erin Belles, Sara Flannery, Danielle Harding, Konopki, Meghan Martin, Kori McGee, Mary Kate Osick, Emily Prater, Sara Skammer, Emily Spring.

National Major League All-Stars

Michael Eckman, Justin Eimers, Hunter Englehart,

Junior All-Stars

Steven Cornia, Bradley Fagula, John Giampietro, David Hanadel, Greg Harris, Jonathan Janerich, Greg Jerzak, Ryan Konopki, Tom Parrish, Michael Prater, Matthew Ruch, Dylan Seeley.

National League 9-10 Year Olds

Matthew Bevan, Austin Carr, Kevin Gilbert, Hayden Jenk-

American League 9-10 Year Olds

Travis DeBona, Zack Dirsa, Adam Goeringer, Brandon Harding, Marc Malloy, John McCarthy, Scott Napkora, Aaron Perez, Brandon Roberts, Stephen Ruch, Robert Saba, Devon Taylor. Jill Jackson, Kylie Kustrin, Rachel Miller, Gaby Olshemski, Katie Pelleschi, Jillian Spring, Taylor Trudgen.

Minor League Softball All-Stars

Tori Cramer, Alexa Decker, Ashley Headman, Alexander Jayne, Sara Kohli, Sarah

Softball All-Stars

Junior League

Tara Domzalski, Julianne Pettit, Megan Youells, Ally Evans, Courtney Besecker, CC Besecker, Brittney Allan, Becca Banks, Brittany Rice, Ellen Morgan, Kelsey Moody, Kasey Corbett, Megan McDonald.

Aston-Rome romps at lake

Staff Report

HARVEYS LAKE — Amy Rome continued her domination of the area road racing scene with a win in the Harveys Lake (8.1 mile) Victory Run on June 21.

Kip Hoffman, Watsontown, led a field of 408 runners and oke the tape in 43 minutes d 10 seconds to claim the men's and overall titles.

Rome, a 36-year-old from Dallas and former Penn State standout runner, already is held in high regard locally with many wins during the past few years.

Rome crossed the finish line in 49:34, easily outdistancing second-place finisher Emily Bilbow, 23, of Wilkes-Barre, by 4 1/2 minutes.

"It was a good day for a run," Rome said. "I had a couple of slow miles in the middle of the race. I was just trying to keep an even pace because I wasn't being challenged. And we beat the rain!"

Shortly after Rome completed the course, the rain began to fall and continued steadily while the rest of the field made its way to the finish line.

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Stars shine

Three Dallas High School softball players and two from Lake-Lehman were on the roster for the victorious West team in the 24th annual Dallas Kiwanis Senior Softball All-Star Game, played Monday at the Back Mountain field. In top photo, Sam Oschman, Lauren Patton and Camille Valvano posed for the photographer. At far left, Tiffany Hettes watched the flight of her hit. Near left, Sam Oschman watched for a throw as she took off for second base.

POST PHOTOS/JIM PHILLIPS

Cheerleading camp at Lake-Lehman July 14-16

The Lake-Lehman Cheerleaders will host a Communter Cheerleading Camp at the high school in Lehman. The camp will be held July 14, 15, 16 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. It will involve elementary, junior high and high school cheerleaders throughout Pennsylvania.

Instruction at the camp will be provided by the Universal Cheerleaders Association (UCA); the leaders in cheerleader instruction and skill for the last 25 years. UCA Championships have been seen on ESPN, and information about the company can be obtained through www.varsity.com

Students attending will receive concentrated trining in cheers, stunting, and dance. Contests for giveaways will take place each day.

Camp is open to teams or individuals. Registration can be made by calling 1-888-CHEERUCA or contact the lake-Lehman Cheerleading Coach, Sandy Dobrowolski at 477-3979.

Dallas School District slates sports physicals

Dallas High and Middle Schools Summer Physical Schedule are as follows:

Thursday, July 17: 8 a.m. - High School Field Hockey; 8:30 a.m. - Middle School Field Hockey; 8:45 a.m. - Middle School Soccer (girls); 9 a.m. -Cross Country HS/MS (girls).

Tuesday, July 22: 8 a.m. - High School Soccer; 8:30 a.m. - Middle School Soccer (boys); 8:45 a.m. - Cross Country HS/MS (boys); 9 a.m. - Golf.

Cross Country HS/MS (boys); 9 a.m. - Golf. Thursday, July 24: 8 a.m. - High School Football; 9 a.m. - Middle School Football.

Tuesday, August 5: 8 a.m. - HS/MS Cheerleading; 8:30 a.m. - Volleyball; 8:45 a.m. - Tennis.

All physicals will be done at the high school in the nurses office on the second floor. All paper work must be completed and signed by parent before physical will be done.