

*Central Columbia
School District
Athletic Hall
of Fame
Induction Ceremony*



*October 2020
1993 Baseball Team*

1993 Baseball Team

Head Coach: Don Engle

Assistant Coach: Gerry Devlin and Harry Mathias

Team Members:

Nick Adams
Chris Beck
Bryan Claytor
Joe Crawford
Mike Dietterick
Shawn Evans
Stu Hartman
Brad Keller
Mike Lackner
Shawn McCabe
Brian O'Keefe
Frank Resse
Matt Ritter
Danny Ruckle
Lance Seesholtz
Robert Shaffer
Keith Smith
Jody Sorber
John Vezendy
Jeremy Winn
Daniel Yeager
Neil Yost
Jeremy Zeisloft

INDUCTEE INFORMATION

Don Engle

COACHING ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Head Baseball Coach:

1969-1997

1979-1982 PIAA District IV Baseball Champions

1981 PIAA State – 4th Place

1982 PIAA State – Runner Up

1991 PIAA District IV AA Champions

1991 PIAA State AA Champions

Career Record: 555-114

Assistant Baseball Coach:

2004 – Present

Head Football Coach:

1975

Assistant Football Coach:

1969 – 1974, 1980 - 1982

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Press Enterprise Top 50 Greatest Sports Figures of the 20th Century

Coach of the Year – Several Times

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Graduate of Juniata College

Football

Basketball

Baseball

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Teacher:

1968-1986

Assistant Athletic Director

1984 – 1986

Athletic Director:

1987 - 2001

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Married – Wife: Judy

Daughters: Susan & Tracy

INDUCTEE INFORMATION
Gerald Devlin

GRADUATION YEAR: 1964

COACHING ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- 1968- Started coaching Central Columbia Baseball team with Coach Don Engle as Assistant Coach
- Won 20 League Titles
- Won 12 District Titles
- State Championship Title in 1991

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Played Baseball at Bloomsburg University from 1965 to 1968
- Received a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary School Education in 1968
- Received a Master's Degree in Elementary School Education in 1972

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Taught 6th grade at Mifflinville Elementary School from 1968 to 1972
- Taught 5th and 6th grade Math and Science at Central Columbia for 35 years
- Coached at Central Columbia School District for 35 years (Assistant Coach to Don Engle for 28 years, Head Coach for 7 years)
- Now retired and coaching little league and teener league teams

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Spouse-Jean
Son-Kyle
Daughter-in-Law-Alycia
Grandchildren-Wyatt, Londyn and Myles

INDUCTEE INFORMATION

Harry Mathias

COACHING ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Head Football Coach 1990-1994 (48-15-1)
District IV Champions 92, 93, 94
Central Susquehanna Conference Champions 90, 91, 93
CSC Coach of the Year 90, 91, 93, 94
Reading Eagle Anthracite Region Coach of the Year 1992
Assistant Football Coach 1984-89; 1998-99
Central Susquehanna Conference Champions 1986, 1989
Eastern Conference Football Champions 1998
Bloomsburg University Assistant Football Coach 1995-97 (27-5-1)
Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference East Champions 1995, 1996, 1997
1996 National Playoffs with Bloomsburg University
Assistant Baseball Coach 1989-94
District IV Baseball Champions 1985, 1991, 1992, 1993
PIAA Baseball State Champions 1991
Mid-Penn Baseball League Champions 1991, 1992, 1994
Columbia County League Baseball Champions 1986, 87, 89, 90

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Bachelors of Science, Masters of Science Bucknell University
United Way of Columbia County Board 1997-2003
 President 02-03
 Campaign Chair 2005
Columbia-Montour Chamber of Commerce Board
Columbia Alliance Economic Development Board
Chairman Foundation of the Columbia Montour Chamber of Commerce
Orangeville Little League Board, Coach
Personnel Committee – St. Luke Lutheran Church
Warrior Run High School Hall of Fame 2006

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Math/Computer Teacher 1984-94
Curriculum Coordinator 1994-2000
Superintendent 2000-2019
Superintendent of Record Columbia Montour Area Vo-Tech School 03-04, 07-08, 12-13
Three Strategic Planning Committees
Established Central Columbia Educational Foundation
Established Pennsylvania Heartland Coalition of Schools
Helped Establish Pennsylvania Heartland Athletic Conference
Helped Establish STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) Magnet Program
Adjunct Instruction Bloomsburg University/ University of Scranton
Pennsylvania Department of Education- Math Standards Task Force
Pennsylvania Department of Education-Keystone Examination Task Force

Pennsylvania Association of School Administrations
IU 16 Board of Governor's Representative

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Married in 1986

Spouse: Bridget G. Mathias

1980-Central Columbia Graduate

11-time Varsity Letter winner

Head Coach-Field Hockey

Assistant Coach-Girls Basketball

Head Coach-Girls Track and Field

Athletic Director

High School Health and Physical Education Teacher

Physical Education Department Head

Son: Nathaniel Aaron Mathias

2019-Central Columbia Graduate

Two-year letter winner-Baseball

Three-year letter winner-Golf

2016 PIAA District IV Champions-Golf

INDUCTEE INFORMATION

Nick Adams

GRADUATION YEAR: 1995

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ATHLETICS:

Football: 3 year-Varsity Letterwinner
Basketball: 4 year-Varsity Letterwinner
Baseball: 4 year-Varsity Letterwinner

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON:

Football:
1992, 1993 and 1994-Central Susquehanna Conference and Eastern Conference Champions
1993 and 1994-District IV Champions

Baseball:
1992, 1993 and 1994-Mid-Penn Champions
1992, 1993 and 1994-District IV Champions

INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM RECORDS:

HONORS AND AWARDS RECEIVED:

Senior Year-Male Athlete of the Year
Three Time Tri-Athlete Award

Football:
Third Team-All-State-Inside Linebacker-Senior Year
First Team-All-Conference Inside Linebacker-Senior Year
Second Team-Linebacker-Daily Item
Second Team-All-Conference-Linebacker-Junior Year
Two Time Press Enterprise All-Star

Basketball:
Honorable Mention-All-Conference-Junior and Senior Year

Baseball:
Three-Time Mid-Penn-First Team
Three-Time Press Enterprise-First Team
Two Time Most Valuable Player-Central Columbia Tournament
First Team-All Tournament Team-Riverdale Baptist Tournament-Senior Year

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Northampton CC-Ranked 23rd in country Division II College
Team Championship-Conference Champions-Won Regional Championship
Individual-First Team-All-Conference-1B
Second Team-All-Region
Bloomsburg University-On two teams ranked in Top 25 in nation
Played Outfield, First Base, and Pitcher
Batted over .300 for career
Honor Roll-Dean's List-Senior Year
Two Year starter
Graduating class had most wins for career

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Taught math and science-elementary education-11 years
2014-present-Physical Education (elementary education)
Teach at Patriots S.T.E.M. Elementary Cabarrus County Schools

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Spouse-Kristin Adams
Daughters-Caroline and Sarah

INDUCTEE INFORMATION
Joe Crawford

GRADUATION YEAR: 1995

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ATHLETICS:

Football-4 years

Baseball-4 years

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON:

Football:

1991-1994 PIAA District 4 Champions

1991-1993 CSC Champions

Baseball:

1993-PIAA District 4 Champions

1993-Mid-Penn Champions

1995-Mid-Penn Champions

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Football:

1995- Press Enterprise 1st Team Defensive Back

1995- All Anthracite Region 1st Team Defensive Back

1995- Daily Item 1st Team All Star

1995- CSC 1st Team Defensive Back

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Pennsylvania College of Technology- Associate Degree in Heavy Equipment Technology

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Equipment Operator for J.D. Eckman Inc. - Lancaster PA

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Wife- Rebecca

Daughter- Abbey

Sons- Brady and Carter

INDUCTEE INFORMATION

Michael Dietterick

GRADUATION YEAR: 1994

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ATHLETICS:

Football: 4 years

Wrestling: 1 year

Basketball: 1 year

Baseball: 3 years

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON:

Football:

1992- District IV Champions

1993- District IV Champions

1993- CSC Eastern Conference South AA Champions

HONORS AND AWARDS:

1993 Yonker Scholarship given to a senior linemen

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

INDUCTEE INFORMATION
Shawn Evans

GRADUATION YEAR: 1993

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ATHLETICS:

Football: 3 years

Baseball: 4 years

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON:

INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM RECORDS:

HONORS AND AWARDS RECEIVED:

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Bachelor of Arts Degree: Bloomsburg University-1993-1998

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

18 years with Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as Operations Manager

Six years coached Bloomsburg Little League

Three years coached Bloomsburg Youth Basketball

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Spouse-Rebecca "Becca" Evans-16 years

Daughter-Braylin Evans

Son-Anderson Evans

INDUCTEE INFORMATION
Stu Hartman

GRADUATION YEAR: 1993

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ATHLETICS:

Football- 3 years
Wrestling- 3 years
Baseball- 3 years

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON:

Individual

WRESTLING:

2 time Section Champion
District Champion (93)
Regional Champion (93)

Team:

FOOTBALL:

1990 Columbia County League Champions
1990, 91, 92 Eastern Conference Southern Division Champions
1992 District IV Champions
1992 and 93 Mid-Penn League Champions
1992 and 93 Central Susquehanna Conference Champions
1992 and 93 Sectional Champions

BASEBALL:

1991 State Champions
1991, 92, 93 District IV Champions

INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM RECORDS:

2 time State Qualifier
109-32 career record

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

1999 Graduated I University School of Chiropractic with honors

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

1999-2006 Owned and operated Open Hart Chiropractic Center
2006- Present-owner and operator of Catawissa Chiropractic Center

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Wife: Erin Hartman
Daughter: Olivia, Eva and Ginny

INDUCTEE INFORMATION

Brad Keller

GRADUATION YEAR: 1994

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ATHLETICS:

Football- 3 years

Basketball- 2 years

Baseball- 4 years

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON:

Football:

District IV Championships 1992, 93, 94

1992-1994- Central Susquehanna Conference Championship

Eastern Conference Championship

Baseball:

1992-1994- District IV Championship

1991- Mid-Penn Championship

1991- State Champions

INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM RECORDS:

Participated in baseball coach, Don Engle's 500th win

HONORS AND AWARDS RECEIVED:

Football:

1st Team All-State (1993-1994)

MVP (1994)

Reading Eagle All-Star

Central Susquehanna Conference Selection 1st Team, 2nd Team

Big 33 Game Participant

Outstanding Athletic Achievement Award for Football (1994)

Basketball:

District IV All-Star

Baseball:

District IV 1st Team Mid-Penn All Star (1992-1994)

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Attended Lackawanna Jr. College and received a 2 year Associate's Degree

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Juvenile Corrections Counselor- Berks County (12 years)

Yannuzzi Inc

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Wife- Bethanne Keller

Children- Stone and Dominic

INDUCTEE INFORMATION
Shawn McCabe

GRADUATION YEAR: 1993

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ATHLETICS:

Baseball: 4 years

Basketball: 4 years

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON:

Basketball: 1991-Central Susquehanna Conference Champions
1991-District IV Champions

Baseball: 1991-Mid-Penn Champions
District IV Champions
State Champions
1992-Mid-Penn Champions
District IV Champions
1993-District IV Champions

INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM RECORDS:

Baseball Records:

1991 30-1

1992 26-1

1993 25-1

Individual Pitching records

1991 1-0

1992 14-0

1993 13-2

Fourth Single Season Runs Batted In: 44

HONORS AND AWARDS RECEIVED:

Baseball: First Team Mid-Penn League -1992-93
Press Enterprise First Team All-Star-1992-93
Spring Athlete of the Year-1993-Baseball
Fourth Single Season Runs Batted In: 44

Basketball: 1991 Second Team All-Conference
1992 First Team All-Conference-Fifth Team All-State
1993 First Team All-Conference-Fifth Team All-State
Fourth Leading Scorer-All Time-1,123 Points

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Lackawanna Junior College: Associate Degree
2 years Baseball
Clarion University: 1 year Baseball

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Sergeant: Columbia County Prison

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Fiancée: Corinne Arruzzo

INDUCTEE INFORMATION

Frank Reese

GRADUATION YEAR: 1993

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ATHLETICS:

Golf: 3 years

Basketball: 3 years

Baseball: 4 years

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON:

Baseball:

1991, 1992 and 1993-League Champions

1991, 1992, and 1993-District IV Champions

1991-PIAA State Champions

INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM RECORDS:

HONORS AND AWARDS RECEIVED:

Baseball:

1992-All-Conference-Honorable Mention

1993-All-Conference-Second Team

1993-Press Enterprise-All-Star

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Bachelor of Arts Degree-History Secondary Education-Grove City College

Master of Science Degree-Curriculum and Instruction-Kutztown University

Doctoral Education Degree-Educational Leadership-Immaculate University

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Wilson School District-West Lawn, PA

Social Studies Teacher

Social Studies Supervisor

Gifted Support Teacher

Assistant Principal

Lebanon Valley College:

Adjunct Professor

LaSalle University:

Adjunct Professor

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Spouse-Jennifer

Sons-Jake and Sam

INDUCTEE INFORMATION

Danny Ruckle

GRADUATION YEAR: 1994

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ATHLETICS:

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON:

INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM RECORDS:

HONORS AND AWARDS RECEIVED:

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

INDUCTEE INFORMATION
Lance Seesholtz

GRADUATION YEAR: 1994

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ATHLETICS:

Football- 4 years
Basketball- 2 years
Swimming- 1 year
Baseball- 4 years

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON:

Football:

1991- CSC Champions
1991- Eastern Conference II Champions
1992- District IV Champions
1992- Eastern Conference Champions
1993- CSC Champions
1993- District IV Champions
1993- Eastern Conference Champions

Baseball:

1993 District IV Champions
1993 PIAA AA Eastern Finalist
1994 Mid Penn League Champion

Swimming:

1994 Susquehanna Valley Conference Boys Champions
1994 District IV Qualifier

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Football:

1992 Central Susquehanna Second Team - Defense
1993 Press Enterprise All Star - First Team - Defense
1993 Big 33 Nomination

Senior Awards – Tri Athlete

Scholar Athlete
4 Year Athlete
Football Team Academic Scholarship
Richard Grozier Memorial Outstanding Athlete Award

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Juniata College

-Football – 4 Years

-B.S. Biology

New York Chiropractic College

-Doctor of Chiropractic – Cum Laude

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Seesholtz Chiropractic 2003 – present

Volunteer Central Columbia Football Coach -2003 to 2004

Assistant Coach-Central Columbia Cross Country

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Wife: Nikki

Children: Eli and Evan

INDUCTEE INFORMATION
Robert Shaffer

GRADUATION YEAR: 1994

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ATHLETICS:

Football: 2 years

Wrestling: 1 year

Baseball: 4 years

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON:

INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM RECORDS:

HONORS AND AWARDS RECEIVED:

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

INDUCTEE INFORMATION
Keith Smith

GRADUATION YEAR: 1995

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ATHLETICS:

Golf: 4 years

Basketball: 4 years

Baseball: 4 years

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON:

Baseball:

1992-District IV Championship

1993-District IV Championship

INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM RECORDS:

HONORS AND AWARDS RECEIVED:

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

1999-Bachelor of Science Degree-Accounting-Bloomsburg University

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

1999-2012-Massey Energy-Accounting Manager/Director

2012-2018-Car Max-Accounting Manager

2018-Present-Capital One-Accounting Project Manager

2018-Present-Capital One-Card Small Business Agile Delivery Lead

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Spouse-Ali Smith

Daughter-Audrey Smith

Step-Daughter-Emma Peterson

Son-Carter Smith

INDUCTEE INFORMATION
Jeremy Winn

GRADUATION YEAR: 1995

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ATHLETICS:

Football – 4 years

Baseball – 4 years

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON:

Football:

1992- District IV Champions
Eastern Conference II Champions

1993- District IV Champions
Central Susquehanna Conference Champions
Eastern Conference II Champions

1994- District IV Champions

HONORS AND AWARDS:

1994- 1st Team CSC

Press Enterprise Honorable Mention

Unsung Hero Award

32-7 Team Record over 3 years

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Bloomsburg University – Football (lettered 2 years)
Member of the Dean's List

Won Scholar-Athlete Award as Junior & Senior

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Danville High School – Head Football Coach 2003-2008

Head Coach of District IV All Star Team – 2006

Mount Carmel High School – Assistant Football Coach 2000-2003

Currently: Danville High School Principal

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Wife: Erin

Son: Hayden

INDUCTEE INFORMATION
Dan Yeager

GRADUATION YEAR: 1994

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ATHLETICS:

Football: 1 year

Golf: 1 year

Swimming: 1 year

Baseball: 4 years

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON:

Mid-Penn Championship

District IV Championship

INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM RECORDS:

HONORS AND AWARDS RECEIVED:

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Bachelor-Degree-Penn State University

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Industrial and Medical Sales-21 years

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Spouse-Amy

Son-Max

INDUCTEE INFORMATION
Jeremy Zeisloft

GRADUATION YEAR: 1993

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ATHLETICS: ✓

Soccer: 2 year-Varsity Letterwinner

Football: 2 year-Varsity Letterwinner

Basketball: 2 year-Varsity Letterwinner

Baseball: 2 year-Varsity Letterwinner

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON:

Football:

1992-Central Susquehanna Conference Champions

1992-District IV Champions

Baseball:

1991: PIAA State Champions

1991, 1992, and 1993-Mid-Penn Champions

1991, 1992, and 1993-District IV Champions

1993-PIAA State Semifinalist Team

INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM RECORDS:

HONORS AND AWARDS RECEIVED:

Various positional awards for football and baseball through the Press Enterprise and Reading Eagle

POST-SECONDARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Finance Degree-Susquehanna University-1997

MBA Degree-University of Toledo-2001

Current member Toledo Zoo Board of Directors

Chairperson-Northwest Ohio Junior Achievement Board of Directors

Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS) Man of the Year Award-Raised \$79,000 annual campaign

Past recipient-Toledo 20 under 40

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Spouse-Kara Flick-Zeisloft (Class of 1995)

Children: Arison, Avary and Alivia



Virginia Dent



Michael Devaney



Allison Ditty



Justin Domer



Michele Bafile at the Fair. (Bishop photo)



Michael Dower



Jill Dunne



"What's in your locker, Heather?" (Bishop photo)



Meg Eisenhower



Tracy Engle



Shawn Evans



Phillip Farber



Todd Farrell



Blake Felker



Kiersten Filmore



Scott Finucan



Gary Fisher



Robert Flick



Tracy Flick



Tiffany Forbes



Jason Foura



Jonathan Fuller



Carrie Garringer



Abbey Garrison



Kevin Gearhart



Angela Graves



Kevin Griäser



Julie Halye



Peter Hart



Stuart Hartman



Brooks Lawton



Cheryl LeVan



Butch Litwhiler



Tracey Loff



Meredith Mulka helps set up the '92 Home Ec Fair display. (Forsythe photo)



Brian Lowthert



Stacie Maximiek



Mark Klinger and Neil Yost discuss the game plan.



Shawn McCabe



Hollie McGilloway



Michael McIlvaine



Nathan Meek



Theresa Mertz



Meredith Mulka



Ryan Murphy



Dawn Nieman



Matthew Novak



Brian O'Keefe



Maggie Olexa



Rajiv Panikkar



Jennifer Passek



Heather Patrick



David Peckham



Catherine Pelletier



Janine Penman



David Pitchford



Steve Puterbaugh



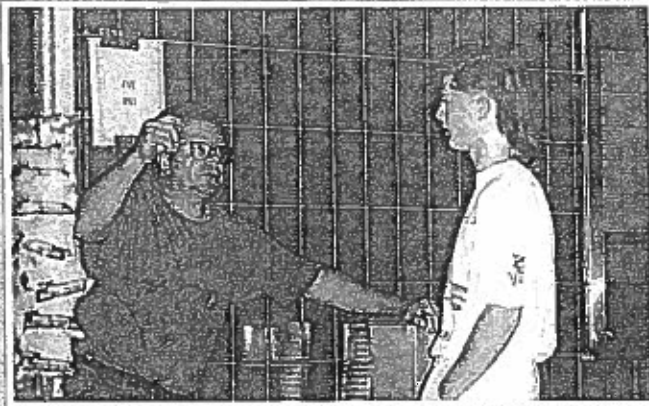
Franklin Reese



Meredith Reese



Andrea Reinbold



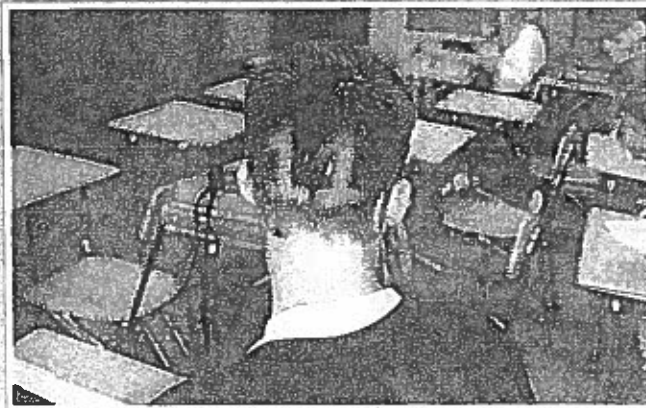
Dale Albertson and Dave Shaffer discuss cafeteria problems.



Matthew Ritter



Nathan Roberts



Jeremy Zeisloft wants everybody to have his number.



Kelby Ryman



Salvatore Salamone



Timothy Sarnoski



David Shaffer



David Sheranko



Michael Sileo



Gregory Slusser



Jody Sorber



Marianne Spengler



Kevin Spring



Christopher Steiner



Amanda Thomas



Todd Thomas



Melissa Ulrich



Lisa Wagner



Emilee Wise



Kurt Witchey



Jennifer Yerges



Neil Yost



Jeremy Zeisloft



Chad Zimmerman

Class Flower: Red rose

Class Color: Black

Class Motto: "Remember the good times
and remember the bad times, but always remember
these are the best of times."



Nicholas Adams



Seth Allen



Frank Arcella



Jason Bartholomew



Christopher Beck



Kelly Beyers



Jocelyn Bishop



Elizabeth Bixler



Joshua Blue



Brandy Boyer



Eric Brennan



Angela Bronzberg



Amanda Brosious



Cynthia Brown



Brian Bucher



Ryan Bucher



Andrew Campbell



Amber Carlson



Rosa Cheuk



Alex Clatch



Keelan Cleary



Lisa Cooper



Joe Crawford



James Cunningham



Charles Dower



Michelle Drick



Melissa Edwards



Harry Featherman



Cara Fenstermacher



Tom Fenstermacher



Rebecca Fernster



Nicole Pink



Jessica Sitter



Kristel Sixma



Daniel Smith



Keith Smith



Lauren Smith



Rowdy Spuesens



Aaron Stauffer



Amy Steffenauer



Melanie Stewart



Michael Sutton



Amy Thomas



Gayle Thomas



Jeremy Tingley



Carrie Traugh



Dawn VanHouten



Lindsey VanHouten



William VanLiew



Jon Vezendy



Sacha Viel



Cheryl Wenner



Shelly Wesstrom



Tonya Whitnure



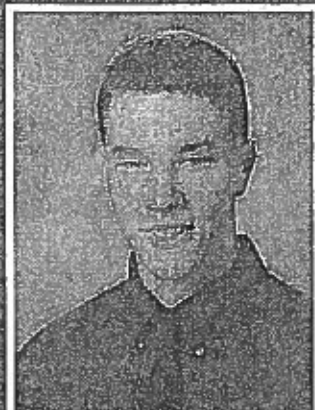
Andrew Wlist



Jeremy Winn



Robert Yerger



Kenneth Yerges



Eric Zeisloft



Above: Nick Adams smiles as he gets his homework for study hall.



Left: Aaron Flook gets a hit from Ryan Bucher, Aaron Rowe, Frank Arenella, and Jon Vezendy.



Joseph Wright



Daniel Yeager



Patricia Yohey



James Young



Michael Zwolinski



Shelley Webster and Sarah Neiswender work diligently on inventory.



Jesse Forshey can't believe anything Dawn Lewis and Brian Stere tell him.



Lance Seesholtz



Brian Seidel



Darren Shaffer



Robert Shaffer



Jesse Sheehan



John Shelhamer



Thomas Shultz



Laura Siesko



Alan Sittler



Pamela Smith



Tawny Smith



Max Snyder



Shawn Stair, Tim Horne, and Brian Myers in Classic Concentration.



Brian Nevel measures up to expectations. Remember, measure twice; cut once.



Beth Price



Trina Rankin



Erin Reffeor



Walter Remley



Christopher Rider



John Roberts



Gwen Roush



Amber Rubenstein



Daniel Ruckle



Melanie Rupert



Amie Schreier



Thomas Schrope



Kerry Johnson



Navin Kamath



Ginger Karnes



Yuko Kawashima



Shawn Keenan



Bradley Keller



Jamie Keller



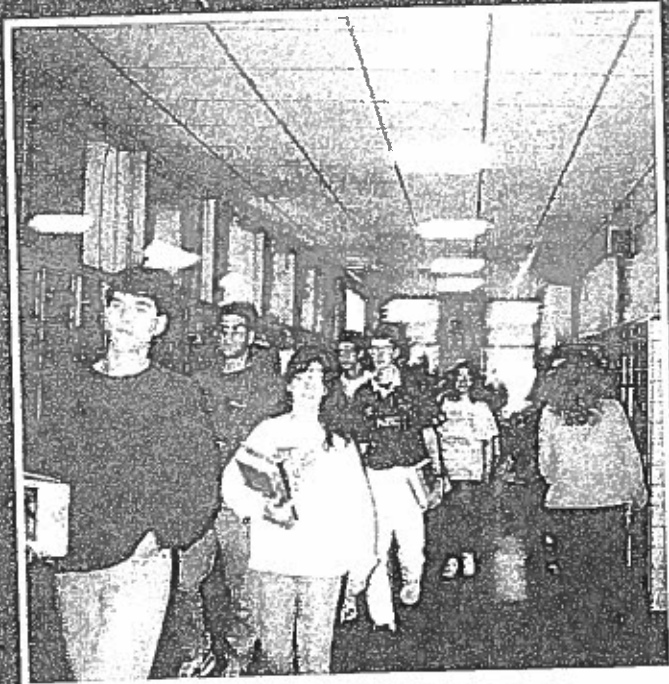
Valerie Keller



Roberta Kennedy



Russell Kester



A herd o' seniors stampedes down the hall.



Cortney Laubach



Eric Laubach



Melissa DeMent



Valerie Dent



Shawn Devlin



Suzanne DeVore



Michael Dietterick



Terry Dietterick



Phillip Disidoro



Joy Ditty



Gwen Roush and Navin Kamath sing the "I Love You" song with Barney (Michael Miller).



Rebecca Ent



Levi Ergott



Holly Eyerly



Paul Fenstermacher



Jonathan Breisch



Tara Brobst



Karen Campbell



Justin Caspersen



Lydia Chamberlain



Kelly Charies



Andrea Christianson



Bryan Claytor



Tara Clements



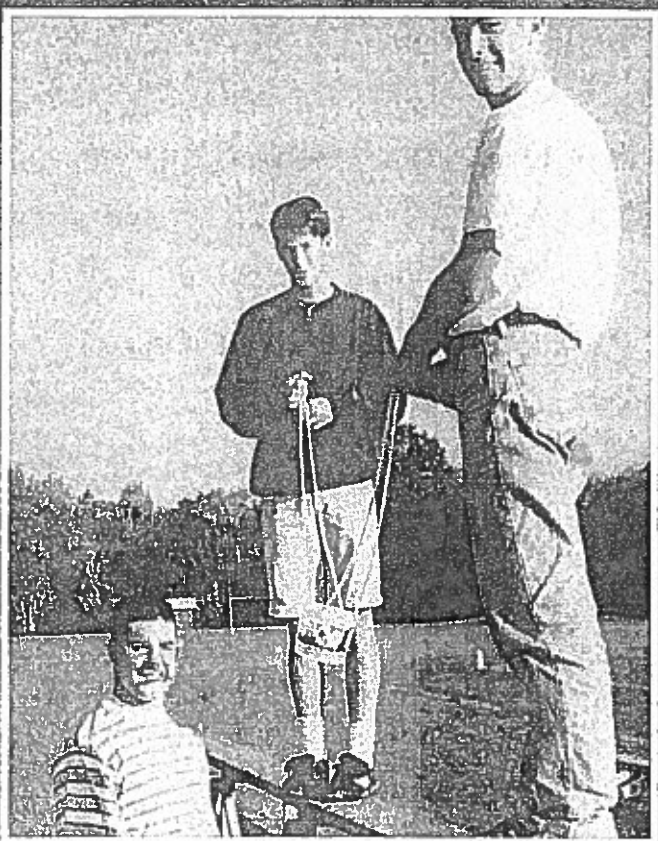
Jared Clossen



Megan Davis



Patrick Davis

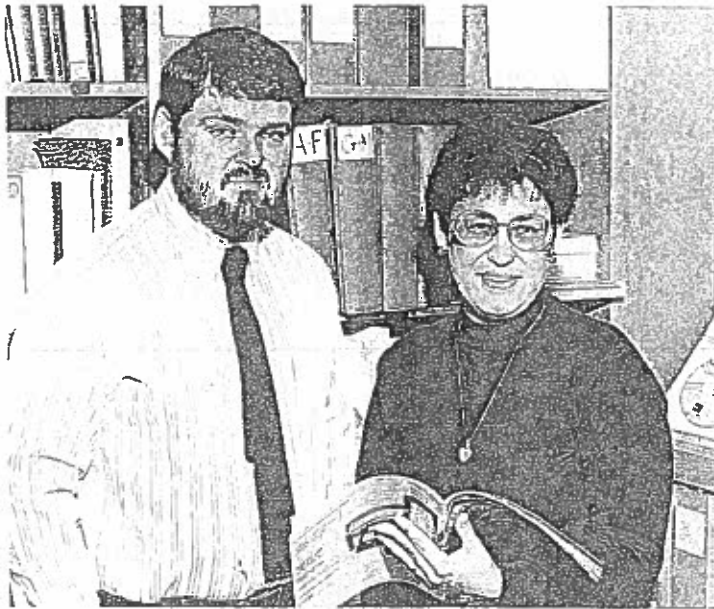


Michael Williams, Eric Laubach, and Shawn Keenan participate in one of Mr. Gill's spectacular demonstrations.

John Grabert, Principal

Any Questions? Office Staff Has Answers

Guidance Counselors: Michael Currey and Malinda Price.



Left: Don Engle, Dean of Students and Athletic Director.
Above: JoAnn Johnson, Receptionist and Attendance Secretary, Nancy K. Secretary to the Athletic Director, Sharon Seesholtz, Secretary to the Principal, Eileen Lewellyn, Guidance Secretary.



ADMINISTRATION



John Grabert
High School Principal



Donald Engle
Dean of Students and Athletic Director



Sharon Seesholtz
Secretary to Principal



Nancy Kline
Secretary to Athletic Director



Joann Johnson
Receptionist and Attendance Secretary



Michael Currey
Guidance Counselor



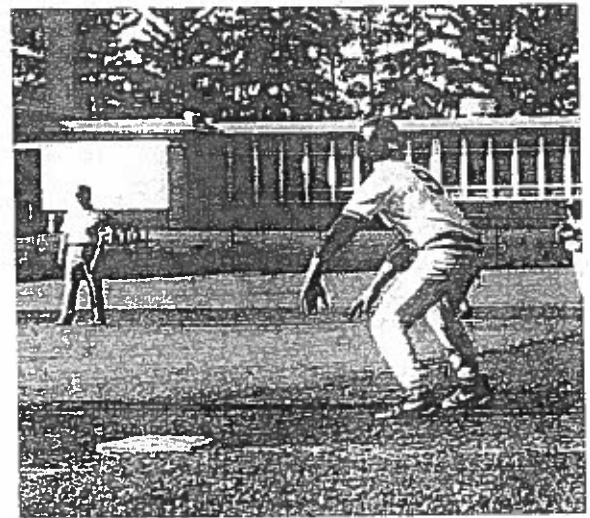
Eileen Lewellyn
Secretary to Guidance Counselors



Emily Weaver
Guidance Counselor



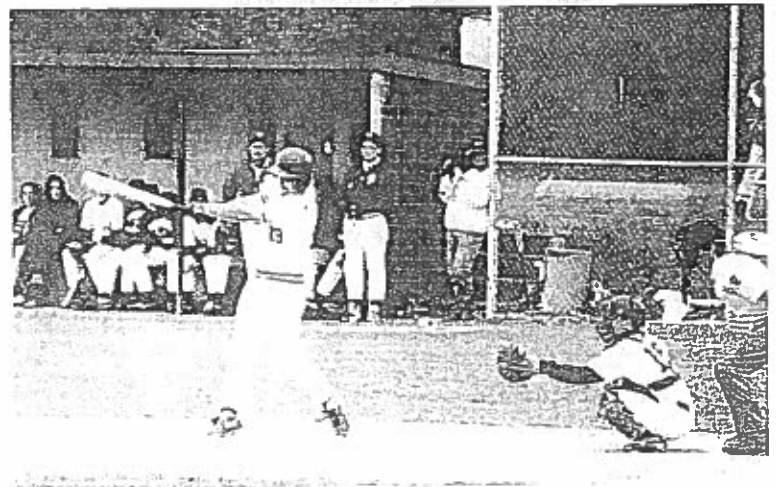
Keith Smith rounds the bases.



Joe Crawford anticipates a steal.



Nate Klingerman winds up for the pitch.



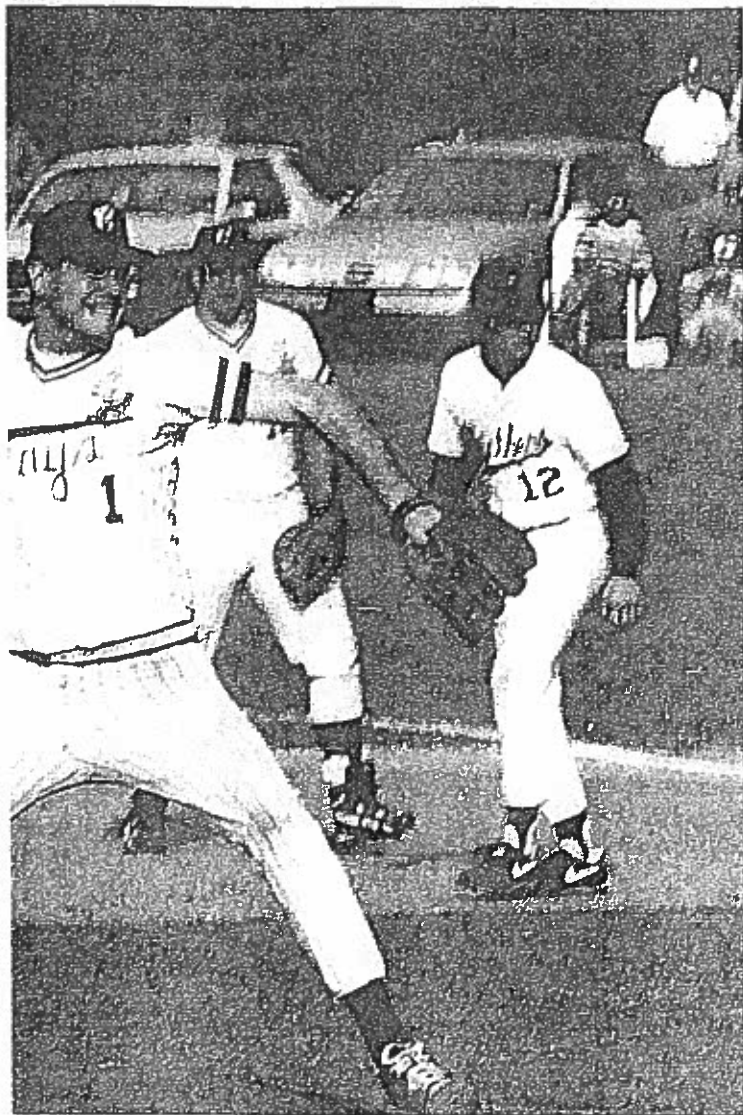
Nick Adams swings for another homerun.



Coach Engle meets with the starters for some pre-game prep.



Jon Vezendy makes the play at third.



Baseball Team Surpasses Expectations

The 1993 baseball season proved to be a rewarding surprise. Picked by most to be headed for a mediocre season, the Jays surprised everyone by winning 21 games and losing only four. In the meantime, they captured the District 4 championship and advanced to the PA State Final Four before losing 1-0 to Wyomissing. No one can deny that this determined group of Blue Jays played up to their potential and above.

This year's seniors will be sorely missed. Gone are pitcher-sluggers Shawn McCabe (8 wins, 37 RBI), pitcher Frank Reese (7-0), and Jody Sorber (3-0). A quartet of scholar-athletes, who each lettered in three sports (Jeremy Zeisloft, Mike Lackner, Matt Ritter, Stu Hartman), are also off to college careers. Leading reserve outfielder Shawn Evans and Brian O'Keefe also will be sorely missed. — Coach Don Engle

Playoff Scores: Central 6, Southern 5 (District Final); Central 11, Biglerville 10; Central 12, St. Plus X 1; Wyomissing 1, Central 0 (Eastern Final).



SENIORS. Row 1: Jody Sorber, Stu Hartman, Jeremy Zeisloft, Matt Ritter, Shawn Evans. Row 2: Mike Lackner, Frank Reese, Shawn McCabe, Brian O'Keefe, Neil Yost. (photo by Jim Fiedler)

Brad Keller winds up for the pitch. (photo by Art Steiner)

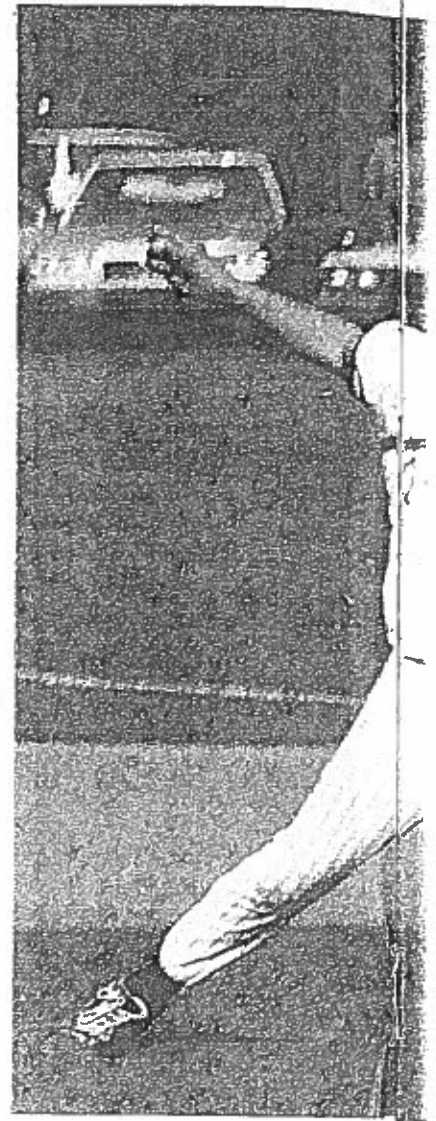


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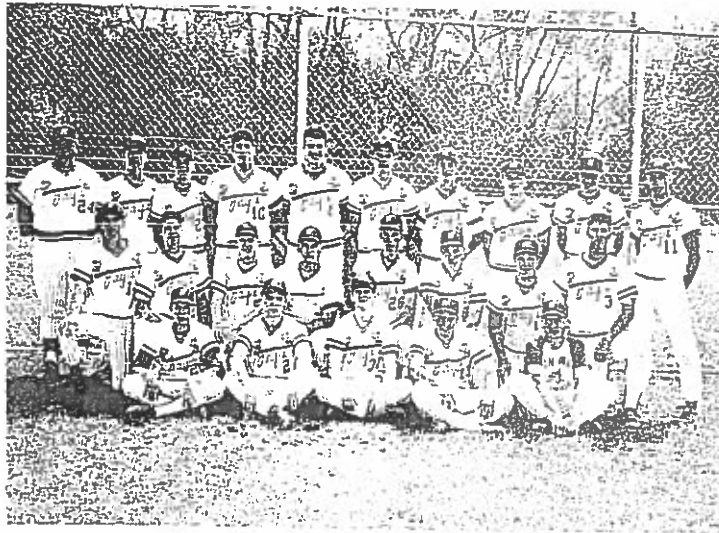
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17-3	Bloomsburg
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11-1	Millville
5-6	Southern
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17-1	Vo-Tech
4-5	Bloomsburg
13-5	Athens
12-2	Oley Valley
5-2	Millville
8-3	Southern
11-0	Montgomery
10-2	Muncy
5-6	Williamsport
11-1	Sullivan
11-0	Benton
34-1	Montgomery
6-1	Bishop Neuman
10-3	Towanda
2-0	Loyalsock

Dan Yeager, Jody Sorber, Brian O'Keefe take a break.
(photo by Art Steiner)

Shawn McCabe hurls a pitch to home plate. (photo by Art Steiner)



Michael Lackner makes it safely to first base during the Bloomsburg game (Central 17, Bloomsburg 3).
(photo by Art Steiner)



VARSITY. Row 1: Joe Crawford, Daniel Yeager, Lance Seesholtz, Nick Adams, Danny Ruckle. Row 2: John Vezendy, Jeremy Zeisloft, Stu Hartman, Jeremy Winn, Keith Smith, Shawn Evans, Neil Yost, Frank Reese. Row 3: Coach Don Engle, Robert Shaffer, Jody Sorber, Brad Keller, Shawn McCabe, Brian O'Keefe, Matt Ritter, Mike Dietterick, Chris Beck, Mike Lackner. (photo by Jim Fiedler)



Matt Ritter gives it his all in an attempt to catch the ball. (photo by Art Steiner)

Jays survive pitchers' duel

Central's Keller fans 11 in win

BY SCOTT DUDINSKIE
Enterprise Writer

Bloomsburg pitcher Dave Wintersteen threw a great game against Central Columbia Friday, except for a wild pitch in the first inning. But that was all it took, because Central's Brad Keller was throwing a great game of his own on the other side. The Blue Jays took what Wintersteen gave them, and Keller held the Panthers down with a four-hitter and 11 strikeouts for a 3-1 Central win. On a day when only singles were hit, Bloomsburg's Wintersteen pitched his best game of the season, allowing just three hits and striking out six batters, but his control problems in the first inning did him in.

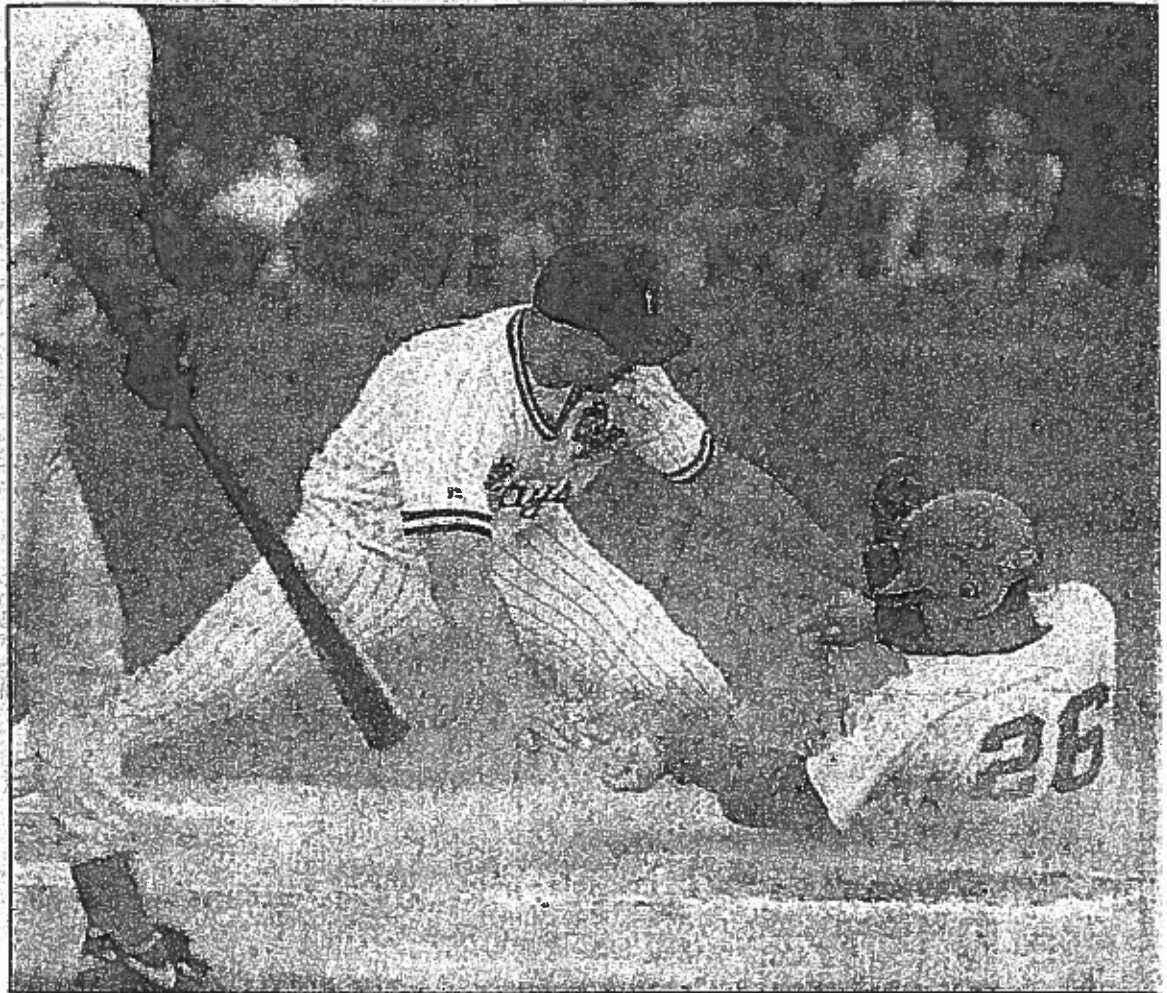
The Blue Jays came up in the bottom of the first wanting to put runs on the board. "Bloomsburg is a hot-hitting team," said Central's catcher, Rob Shaffer. "We wanted to jump on them early and play a solid defense."

Wintersteen threw nothing but balls to the first and third batters, Bryan Claytor and Rick Adams, breaking only to the second batter, Keith Smith, with a pitch.

Keller, Central's cleanup man, struck out, but Shaffer stepped up and blasted a round ball into left field that was caught by Nathan Kreisler and earned the bases, with Shaffer popping at second.

The Blue Jays made those three runs stand up to earn their 14th victory against just one loss.

"We have a young team," said Central coach Don Engle, referring to six junior starters, and 14 wins at this point in



Press-Enterprise/David J. Maize

HOMEcoming — Central's Brad Keller, left, tries to tag out Bloomsburg's Hank Clarke at the plate on a passed ball in the second inning. Clarke was safe, scoring his team's lone run.

the season is terrific. Whatever we accomplish the rest of the season will be gravy."

The Panthers scored their only run in the second inning and threatened to score more before a controversial two-out third strike was called.

Hank Clarke, who had walked and advanced to third on Jason Doby's single and a fielder's choice, scored on a passed ball.

Keller then hit Brian Mummey and walked Chris Poust to load the bases for Panther third baseman Mark Kreisler.

Kreisler, with a 3-2 count, took what looked to be a high pitch for ball four; instead, he was called out, and the Bloomsburg threat was dead.

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"I would never blame an umpire for the outcome of a game," said Bloomsburg head coach Dick Klingerman.

Wintersteen and Keller then traded shutout performances for the final five innings.

"This was Brad's best game of the year," said Shaffer, Keller's catcher. "He was confident on the mound, and if Brad's confident then I'm confident."

Engle agreed. "Brad pitched very well

tonight," he said. "(He) had some minor control trouble early on, but he pitched well in the last three innings."

"Rob Shaffer had a great game and Keith Smith made a great play in the seventh to keep (Chris) Poust, the fastest runner in the league, off the basepaths."

Poust hit a sharp grounder in the hole between third and shortstop that Smith collected and fired to nip the runner at first.

Keller then caught the final two batters looking for his 10th and 11th strikeouts.

"This team was playing emotionless games a few weeks

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Glad to see you...

Athletes of the week

Pair of Blue Jays honored

By the Press-Enterprise staff

Central Columbia's Shawn McCabe and Brad Keller had one big week for the Blue Jays in the PIAA Class AA baseball tournament.

Each had three hits, including a home run apiece, and they combined to drive in 13 runs to help push Central to the Eastern final.

For their performances, McCabe and Keller have been selected as the Press-Enterprise Athletes of the Week.

McCabe went 2-for-5 with a homer and four RBI in the Blue Jays' 11-10 come-from-behind win over Biglerville. He was also the winning pitcher. He went 1-



BRAD KELLER

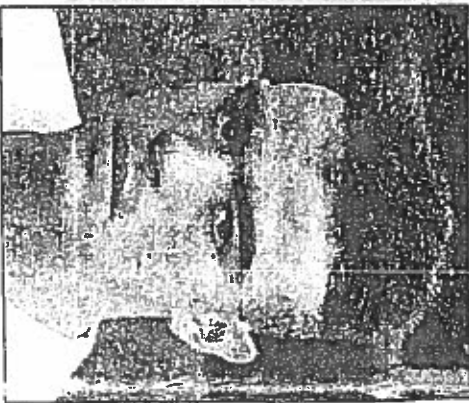
for 2 with a homer and three RBI in a 12-1 over St. Pius X.

Keller was 1-for-3 with a home run and an RBI against Biglerville and went 2-for-4 with a homer and 5 RBI against Pius X.

Honorable mentions:

■ Frank Reese, Central Columbia, threw a six-inning one-hitter in a 12-1 playoff victory over St. Pius X. He walked one and struck out seven.

■ Jeremy Zelsloff, Central Columbia, had three hits in five official at-



SHAWN MCCABE

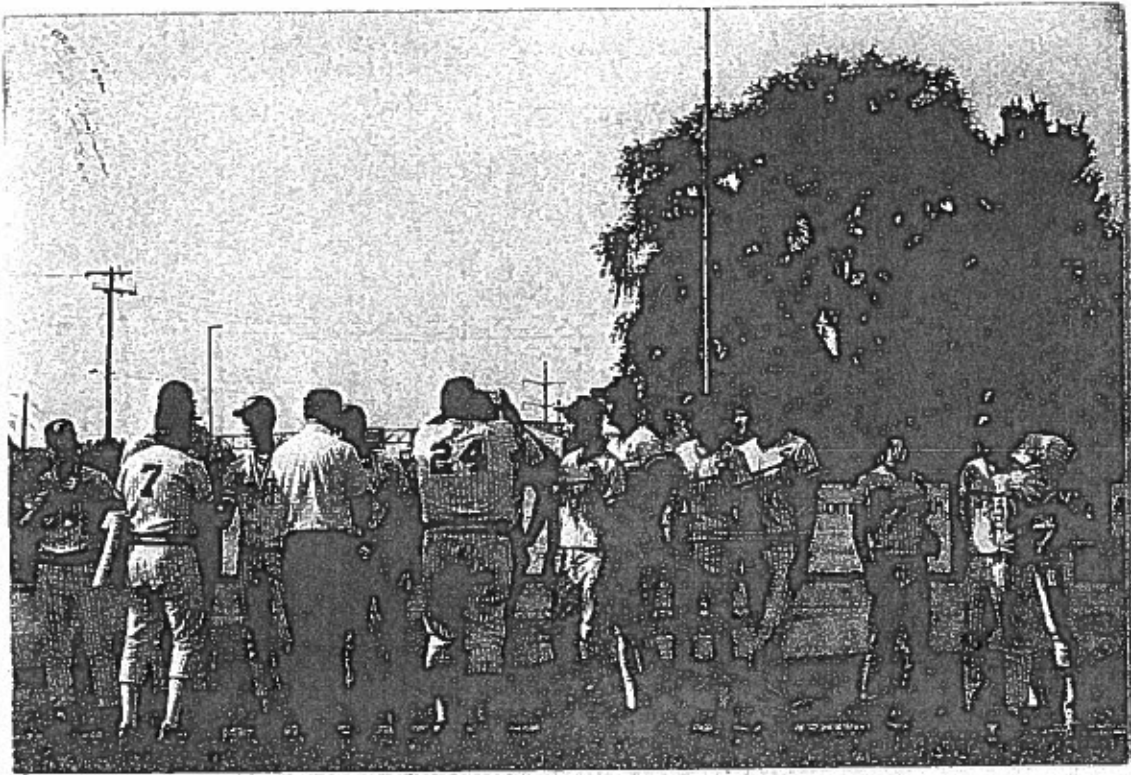
bats in the Blue Jays' two victories last week. He also scored seven runs.

■ Harvey Fatterolf, Southern Columbia, had a one hit and scored the Tigers' only run in a 9-1 PIAA Class AA playoff loss to Wyoming. He also threw 1 2/3 innings of hitless and scoreless relief.

■ Matt Rittler, Central Columbia, had two hits in six at-bats, scored twice and drove in three runs in a pair of playoff victories.

■ Nate Ryan, Southern Columbia, had a hit and the Tigers' lone RBI in a 9-1 playoff loss to Wyoming.

in the news!



Lost sluggers won't hit Central too hard Power still in the pitching

By DAVE SHULTZ,
Press-Enterprise Staff

Talk about respect: Central Columbia's baseball team lost the top six hitters in its batting order from last year's 52-1 team, but the consensus among most Mid-Penn. League coaches is that the Blue Jays are the favorite to win yet another league title this season.

And with their pitching, it would be hard to argue.

Central returns three key ingredients from last year in junior Brad Keller and seniors Frank Reese and Shawn McCabe.

"I would certainly have to pick Central off the fact that they have their three starting pitchers back," said Benton coach Hubie Kline, who some think will also challenge the strength of his returning Tiger pitching.

Bloomsburg coach Dick

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Klingerman knows that Central coach Don Engle has a program that doesn't rebuild; it just reloads.

"Of course we'd like to be able to challenge Central for a league title, but we're going to have to have an exceptional season," Klingerman said. "Don Engle has an exceptional program and he never seems to have any trouble replacing his starters."

Last year's Blue Jays won 22 in a row before finally being stopped by Old Forge in the PIAA Interdistrict playoffs.

Engle said he always expects his team to be competitive, but this year there are definitely others to give his Jays a run. Please see **PREVIEW** page 16



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PRACTICE — Central junior Brad Keller, here pitching at Monday practice, returns as pitcher with seniors Frank Reese and Shawn McCabe.

Preview

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"I think Benton's the team to beat. They have both pitchers (Lon Record and Scott Bogart) and most of their team back," said Engle. "Bloom has most of their team back, and Southern has a lot of good athletes back."

Southern Columbia, unlike Benton, Bloomsburg and Central, lost most of its pitching from last year, with only No. 3 starter Jon Fetterman coming back to the rotation. Southern will turn to outstanding catcher Harvey Fetterolf for another arm.

"I think Bloom and Benton, they're both very good teams . . . but Central's the team to beat," Southern coach Andy Mills said.

Bloomsburg appears to be able to hit with anybody, with center fielder Chris Poust and third baseman Ryan Girton, both of whom hit around .500, back in the lineup.

"I think without a doubt we can legitimately compete for a league title this year," said Klingerman.

Meanwhile, in the Susquehanna Valley League, Danville is also looking to dethrone a team with great baseball tradition — Montoursville.

Head coach Harold Albertson is excited about his chances this season, especially with seniors Chris Coombe and Brett Hampton and sophomore Todd Wertman on the mound.

"That pitching staff — Wertman, Coombe and Hampton — is one of the best pitching staffs we've had here in a while," Albertson said. "We've had some great pitchers, but not three like that."

Offensively, the Ironmen have plenty of team speed and are as "good defensively as we've ever been," Albertson said.

Benton

Head coach: Huble Kline (38th season)

Last year: 14-9 overall.

Key players lost: Brian Swieczkowski, lf; Bobby Hess, cf; Tony Walters, rf; Mark Yapple, 1b.

Key players returning: Lon Record, jr, p-3b; Damien Yarnell, sr, of; Jeremy Gordon, sr, ss; Scott Bogart, sr, 3b; Paul Randall, jr, 2b.

Remaining roster: Jared Dressler, jr, 1b; James Schiers, jr, c; Paul Seltzer, jr, of; Tim Thoyk, jr, cf; Matt Patterson, so, lf; Matt Michael, so, rf; Dan Jankowski, jr, of; Andy Steiner, jr, of; Josh Roberts, jr, 2b.

Outlook: The Tigers return two of the Mid-Penn's top pitchers in Record and Bogart, but Kline feels they have depth beyond that on the mound.

"We have five pitchers if we need them," he said, including Randall, Thoyk and Gordon. "We won't use all those fellows. Probably the three that will do all the pitching are Record, Bogart and Randall."

Kline's problem is that the four key players he lost were his top offensive threats a season ago.

"Hitting is one of the big question marks," he

said. "Defensively we should be pretty good. We return all but one of our infielders. The outfield we're not sure about."

Berwick

Head coach: Gene Fink (35th season).

Last year: 5-12.

Key players lost: Matt Gofa, 1b; Jeff Hancock, 2b; Greg Harkins, p-of; Mike Daddio, lf; Chad Labour, c; Chris Suit, 3b; Rob Kishbaugh, ph; Steve Molaski, c.

Key players returning: Chris Orlando, sr, cf.

Remaining roster: Tony Dilmo, so, rhp; Jason Shaffer, jr, rhp; Mike Bennett, so, p-of; Dan Arment, jr, c; Matt Kishbaugh, so, c; Troy Kishbaugh, so, p; Josh George, so, 1b-p; Chris Kinney, sr, 1b; Dave Nash, sr, inf; Justin Deltterick, jr, inf; Tom Lipkey, jr, of; Mike Spalde, jr, of; John Stokar, jr, 1b-of; Rob Cole, so, inf; Tim Hess, so, inf; Adam Kosar, fr, p-ss; Jim Schultz, fr, p-of; Jared Starvatow, fr, p; Ryan Welch, fr, p-ss.

Outlook: Orlando, a Wyoming Valley Conference all-star who hit .371 from the leadoff spot last year, is the only returning letter-winner for the Bulldogs, forcing Fink to go deep into his sophomore class for help.

That's not a bad place to turn, however, as many players from Berwick's district champion Senior Division all-star team should see varsity action.

"I think the fact that these kids have played a lot of baseball will help," said Fink.

Berwick's top returning pitcher would have been Jamie Patton (2-3, 2.33 ERA) who led the Bulldogs in innings pitched as a freshman, but he's already out for the season after having back surgery.

Fink was also hoping to have Ron Powlus at shortstop, but Powlus elected not to play this season.

Bloomsburg

Head coach: Dick Klingerman (4th season)

Last year: 13-7.

Key players lost: B.J. Austin, ss; Brian Laldecker, p-1b; Steve Lavan, p.

Key players returning: Chris Poust, jr, cf; Dave Klingerman, jr, 2b; Ryan Girton, sr, 3b; Chopper Schlauch, jr, c; Dave Wintersteen, jr, p-inf; Chris Long, jr, 1b-of; Joe Kline, sr, of; Keith Crossley, sr, of-p; Devin Rosentreter, so, dh.

Remaining roster: Randy Longenberger, jr, p-1b; Scott Barnes, sr, ss.

Outlook: The Panthers should be as ready as anybody to contend for the Mid-Penn League title as they return several top hitters and key pitchers. Klingerman is optimistic.

"Our kids have worked harder to prepare for this season than any I've ever had," Klingerman said. "I know they're expected to win and I know they're going to do everything they have to."

"The key for us is our pitching. We lost B.J., Lavan and Laldecker but we do have our number one starter, Wintersteen (10-2, back)," Klingerman said. "Crossley, Longenberger and Long all look like they're going to be able to pitch at the high school level."

On paper the Panthers look impressive offensively, with Girton and Poust having hit around .500 and catcher Schlauch .400 with 20 RBIs.

Central Columbia

Head coach: Don Engle (24th season)

Last year: 22-1, lost to Old Forge in interdistrict game.

Key players lost: Brad Fenstermacher, 2b-p; Tony Shaffer, 3b; John Williams, of; Brian Klingerman, dh; Jim Kagenski, c; Shane Devlin, lf.

Key players returning: Shawn McCabe, sr, p; Frank Reese, sr, p; Brad Keller, jr, p; Jeremy Zelsch, sr, ss; Mike Lackner, sr, cf; Rob Shaffer, jr, inf; Matt Ritter, sr, c-dh.

Remaining roster: Nick Adams, so, of; Brian O'Keefe, sr, of; Shawn Evans, sr, of; Joe Crawford, jr, of; Lance Seesholtz, jr, 2b; Keith Smith, so, 2b; Stu Hartman, sr, 3b; Dan Yeager, jr, 3b; Jody Sorber, sr, p.

Outlook: Engle lost the top six hitters in his order from last year, including league MVP Fenstermacher and leading hitter Shaffer.

The strength of this year's squad, however, was also one of the strengths of last season's — the pitching of Keller, Reese and McCabe.

"I think all three have improved, which I was hoping for," Engle said. "What we're missing is the closer last year we had in Fenstermacher . . . we're probably going to go with a three- or four-man rotation."

Engle said Keller was around the plate in an exhibition outing, a good sign.

While Engle fears his hitting may not be as consistent as in years past, the power is still there with McCabe, Adams and Keller, among others.

Col.-Mont. Vo-Tech

Head coach: Jim Huntley (17th season)

Last year: 1-18.

Key players lost: Alan Maustellar, lf; A.J. Ziller, c; Loren Stewart, cf.

Key players returning: Eric Lawton, jr, p-of;



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BIG DAY — Central's Shawn McCabe (21), left, is greeted by teammates at home plate after hitting his second homer against Benton. McCabe smashed a three-run HR in the first inning and a two-run HR in the second to lead the Jays' 11-0 win.

Mccabe hurls shutout for Jays, 11-0

By **STEVE HICKS**
Press-Enterprise staff

BENTON — On Election Day, Central Columbia's Shawn McCabe cast a ballot for himself as Mid-Penn Player of the Year by pitching a three-hit shutout and blasting two home runs in an 11-0 victory over Benton.

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Mccabe gave himself all the runs he needed with a three-run rocket off Jim Shires in the top of the first. The shot almost took out a window in the Benton Elementary School beyond the left-field fence. Central's Brad Keller added to that lead two batters later.

with a shot of his own, making the score 5-0 with one out.

That sent Benton's Shires behind the plate while Jeremy Gordon, a senior who had never pitched a varsity game, took over on the mound.

Mccabe worked quickly through Tuesday's rain,

allowing only one base runner in the first three innings, including stranding Tim Thyork in the second after a one-out triple.

In the fifth, McCabe allowed two base runners, but got Benton's Lon Record on a grounder to first base and Paul Randall on a grounder to second. Please see **JAYS** page 15.

BASEBALL



AARON JAYMAN

Mount Carmel
After a sluggish start, senior Red Tornado shortstop really came around in May, going 13-for-27 ... Finished at .354 ... Hit pair of home runs.



BRAD KELLER

Central Columbia
Was vital part of the Blue Jays' run to the PIAA Eastern Final in Class AA ... A junior ... Hit .462 .. Played first base and served as closer behind Frank Reese and Shawn McCabe when needed.



MATT KITTLE

Millville



DON ENGLE

Coach of year
Central Columbia



FRANK REESE

Central Columbia
Blue Jays' No. 2 starter ... Threw a one-hitter in the second round of Interdistrict play against Plus X.



SETH ROSENCRANCE

Northwest
Became the all-time single-season hits leader at Northwest by racking up 28 in his senior season ... Hit .412 with 21 RBIs ... Played a strong second base, committing just two errors during season.



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DON ENGLE

Coach of year
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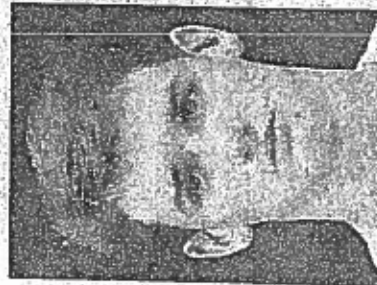
Despite losing the top six hitters in his batting order from last year, Engel managed to pull enough strings and work enough magic to guide his team to a District Four Class AA crown ... Jays then advanced to PIAA Eastern Final ... District title was team's third in row ... Veteran coach with stellar 481-101 record.



MATT KITTLE

Miliville

A junior ... Hit lofty .422, despite being pitched around quite often as a member of the 7-10 Quakers ... Drove in 10 runs ... Went 6-4 on the mound with 70 strikeouts and just 18 walks in 48 2/3 innings.



CHRIS POUST

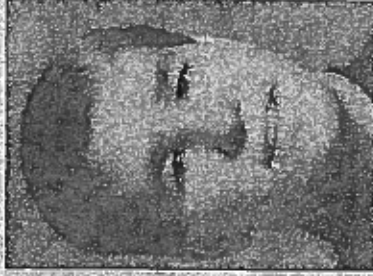
Bloomsburg

One of better centerfielders in area ... A junior ... Hit .542 in the Mid-Penn Conference, with three doubles, two triples and a homer ... A .585 on-base percentage ... Scored 12 runs.

CHOPPER SCHLAUCH

Bloomsburg

A junior catcher ... Did most of his damage at the plate with runners on base, knocking in 13 runs in 25 at-bats ... Double, triple and pair of home runs this season.



DAVE WINTERSTEEN

Bloomsburg

Panthers' big-game pitcher, and often their closer ... 6-0 with a 1.14 ERA in eight-game Mid-Penn season ... A junior ... Struck out 44 batters in 30 2/3 innings while walking just 15 ... Also picked up a save.



Blue Jays notch third straight crown Central slips past Southern, 6-5

By STEVE HICKS
Press-Enterprise staff

WILLIAMSPORT — It was business as usual for both teams Friday when Southern Columbia challenged Central Columbia for the District Four title.

Southern hit like the '61 Yankees, but fell victim to a familiar failing — errors — while Central took advantage to take its third straight district crown with a 6-5 win.

"I never gets old hat," Central coach Don Hagle said of the district championship, his 11th. "I was thrilled. We were just hanging on. I was afraid they'd come back and beat us."

But sophomore relief pitcher Brad Keller made five-run Blue Jay second inning stand up, retiring Tiger cleanup hitter Layne Rarig for the final out with the tying run on third and lead run on first.

"Historically, we give them one big inning," said Southern coach Andy Mills. "They put together a walk, a bunch of hits, and we make an error or two. And that's what happened."

The Tigers took a 1-0 lead in the top of the second on a single, a stolen base and Nate Ryan's RBI single.

Central retaliated. Nick Adams doubled. Brad Keller popped out, but Rob Shaffer singled. Adams, Keith Smith walked, and Stu Hartman

beat out a punt to load the bases.

Then Southern made its first mistake. Jeremy Zeisloff grounded to Rarig at third, but, instead of throwing home, Rarig tagged third and tried to get Zeisloff at first. Shaffer scored as Zeisloff beat the high throw to make it 2-1.

Mike Lachner singled to load the bases again, and Matt Rutter walked to force in Hartman and knock out Tiger hunter Dan Yost.

Southern pitcher Nate Roadarmel came on to face Shawn McCabe, who hit a hard ground ball that looked like the third out. But Tiger shortstop Steve Snyder let the ball slide under his glove for a two-run error to give the Blue Jays a 5-1 lead.

Southern began pecking away at the lead immediately, scoring in the third on a one-out double by Jon Fetterman and Harvey Fetteroff's first of three RBI hits to make it 5-2.

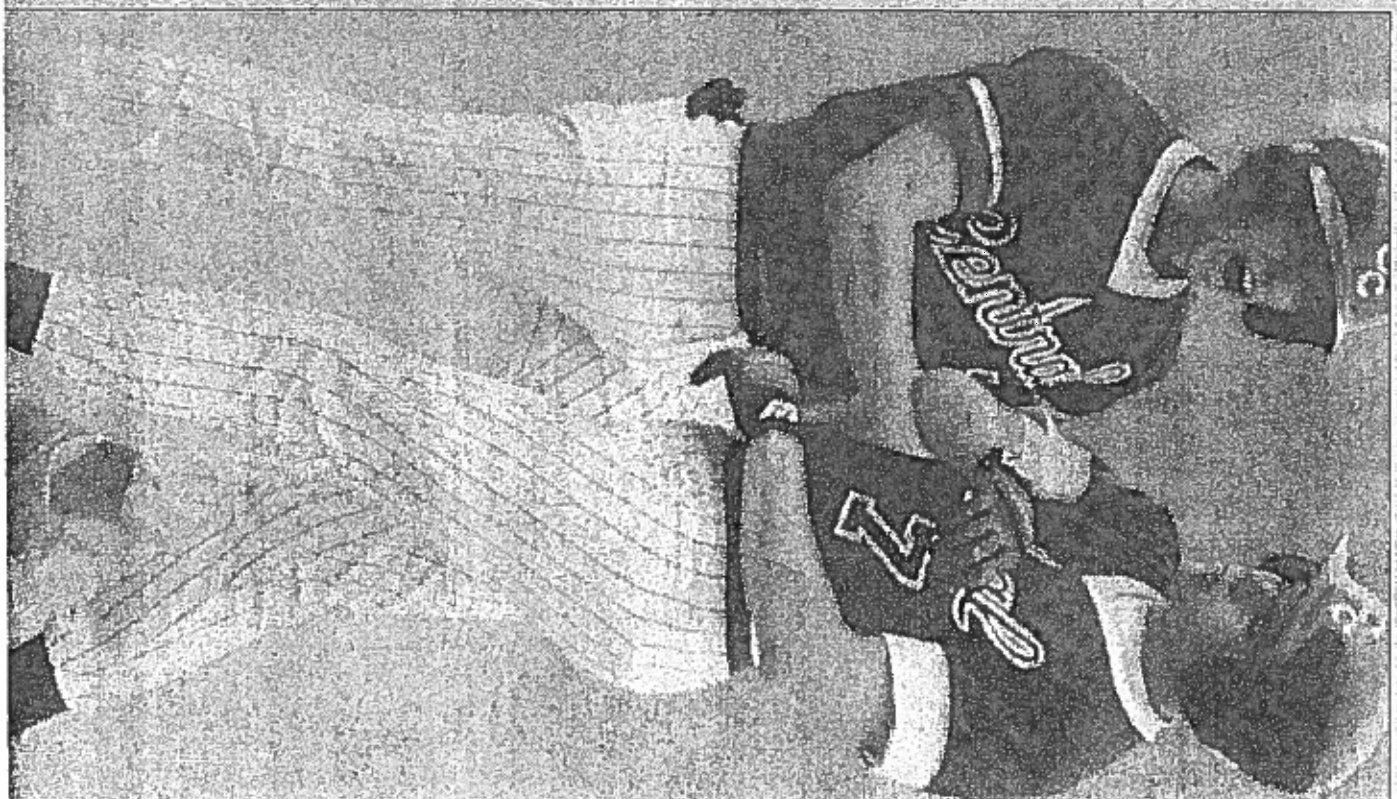
But Southern made a mistake there, too. Dave Wojtowicz was on third after Fetterman's double, having reached on a fielder's choice, but Reese picked off Wojtowicz for the second out.

"We've worked that play quite a bit," Engle said. "Reese has a good move."

Central took advantage of another Southern miscue in the bottom of the third, when Roadarmel threw a Hartman punt away. That scored Shaffer, who had walked, to build the lead to 6-2.

Southern kept coming back. With two outs in the fifth, Fetteroff doubled in

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Central's fortunes in pitcher's hands

By ERIC STRAUSS
For the Press-Enterprise

Central

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error is Redding, who has struck out 38 in his 21 playoff innings. "They have an excellent left-handed pitcher (Redding) who's averaged about two strikeouts per inning," Engle said. "He has thrown three straight shutouts, and had 15 or 16 strikeouts in his last game."

"We have our best pitcher on the mound," Biglerville coach Fred Hibbs said. "Hopefully, he'll throw some strikes. He's kind of streaky."

"Some days, when he's in his groove, he doesn't walk anybody; other days, he'll walk six or eight batters. Hopefully he'll be in his groove. He's had some stellar performances, and we'll need one tomorrow."

Redding struck out 117 in 78 regular season innings, but walked 53. He has walked 15 in his 21 playoff innings so far.

Central also has to deal with the problem of graduation. The school's commencement is this evening and nine of Engle's 22 players, including five starters — McCabe among them — will graduate.

"We have the distraction of graduating, and I don't know what that's going to do," Engle said, while figuring out the intangibles for the game. He did have one positive in that respect — playing in his backyard at Bloomsburg University.

"I think it'll be a positive, there. It's better than the alternative of playing down in District Three," he said. "It's close to home, and we'll definitely have more of our fans there than they will."

The key to success against Redding is, according to Engle, one of the basics of baseball: hitting the ball.

"We're going to have to make contact, and play our game — bunt and run, steal," he said.

Fast facts

■ **WHERE:** Bloomsburg University's Danny Litwhiler Field, on the upper campus near Nelson Field House.

■ **WHEN:** 1 p.m., today.

■ **RECORDS:** Central Columbia, the District 4 champion, is 19-3, while Biglerville, the runner-up in District 3, is 12-6.

■ **AT STAKE:** The winner will play the winner of the Mountain View-Notre Dame game in the second round of the PIAA state tournament. The loser is eliminated.

■ **PITCHING MATCHUPS:** Central Columbia will start Shawn McCabe (7-2). Biglerville ace Keith Redding (10-1) will start for the Cannons.

LINEUPS:

CENTRAL COLUMBIA BLUE JAYS

Jeremy Zelsion, SS, 359
Mike Lackner, CF, 477
Matt Riltar, LF, 254
Shawn McCabe, P, 362
Nick Adams, RF, 418
Brad Keller, 1B, 491
Rob Shaffer, C, 357
Keith Smith, 2B, 256
Stu Hartman, 3B, 317

BIGLERVILLE CANNERS

Nell Weigle, 1B, 308
Bret Black, SS, 391
Tony Fetters, 3B, 367
Keith Redding, P, 361
Tony Johnson, LF, 207
Brian Miller, 2B, 263
Chad Charles, CF, 340
Nat Tuckey, RF, 388
Donny Asper, C, 271

■ **INJURIES:** Both teams enter the game healthy.

■ **COACHES:** Central Columbia coach Don Engle is 480-102 in his 24-year career. Biglerville coach Fred Hibbs has been coaching for 25 years.

Two red-hot pitchers will take the mound today when Central Columbia takes on Biglerville in the first round of the Class AA state playoffs.

The 1 p.m. game will be played at Bloomsburg University's Danny Litwhiler Field on the upper campus.

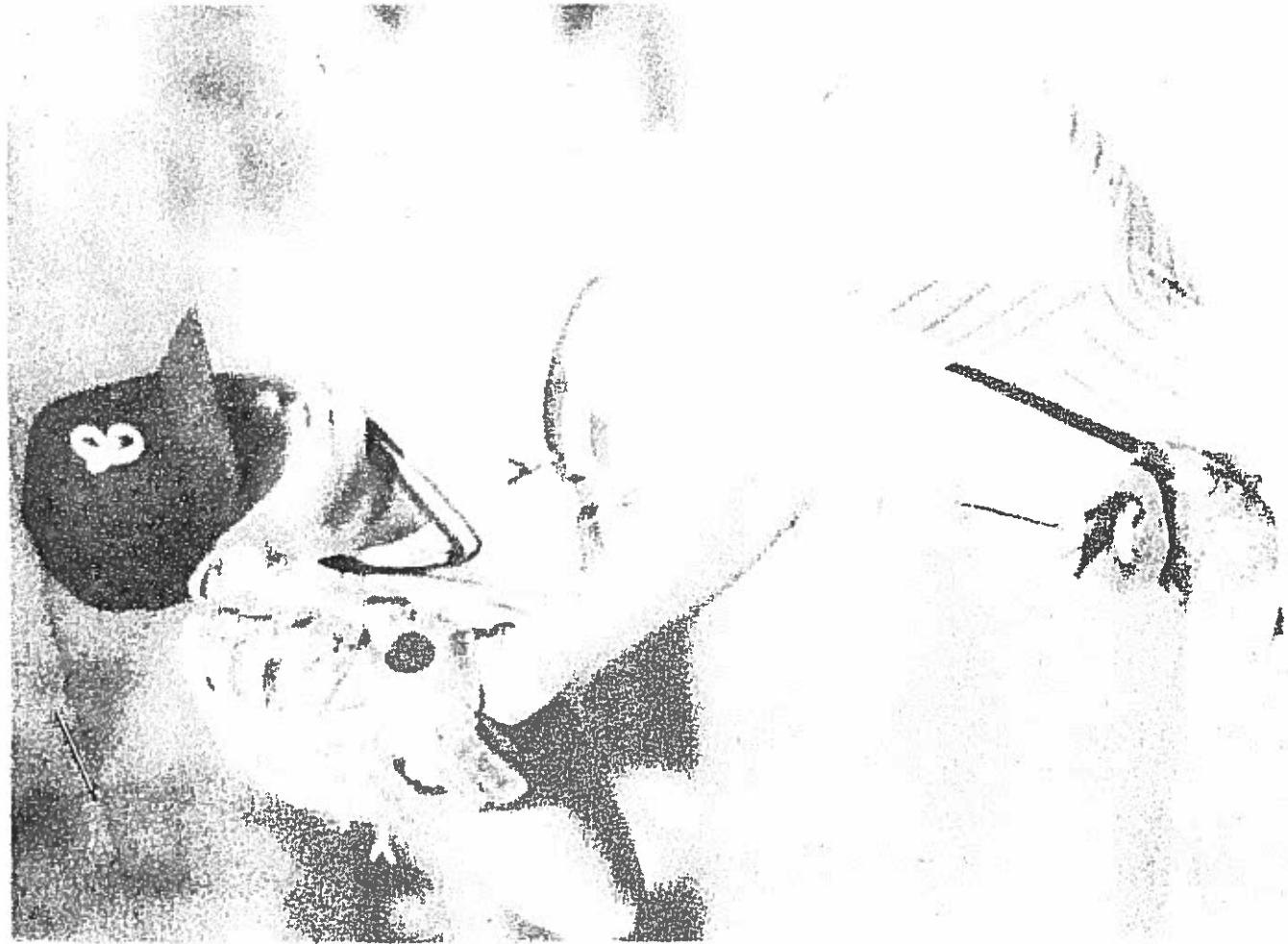
District Four champion Central will send Shawn McCabe, 7-2, to the hill, while District Three runner-up Biglerville will counter with Keith Redding, 10-1, who pitched three shutouts in the district tournament.

"We're hoping Shawn continues to pitch like he's been pitching," Central head coach Don Engle said of McCabe, who's coming off a one-hitter against Loyalsock in the district semifinals. "He's done really well, and we can't afford to give up many runs."

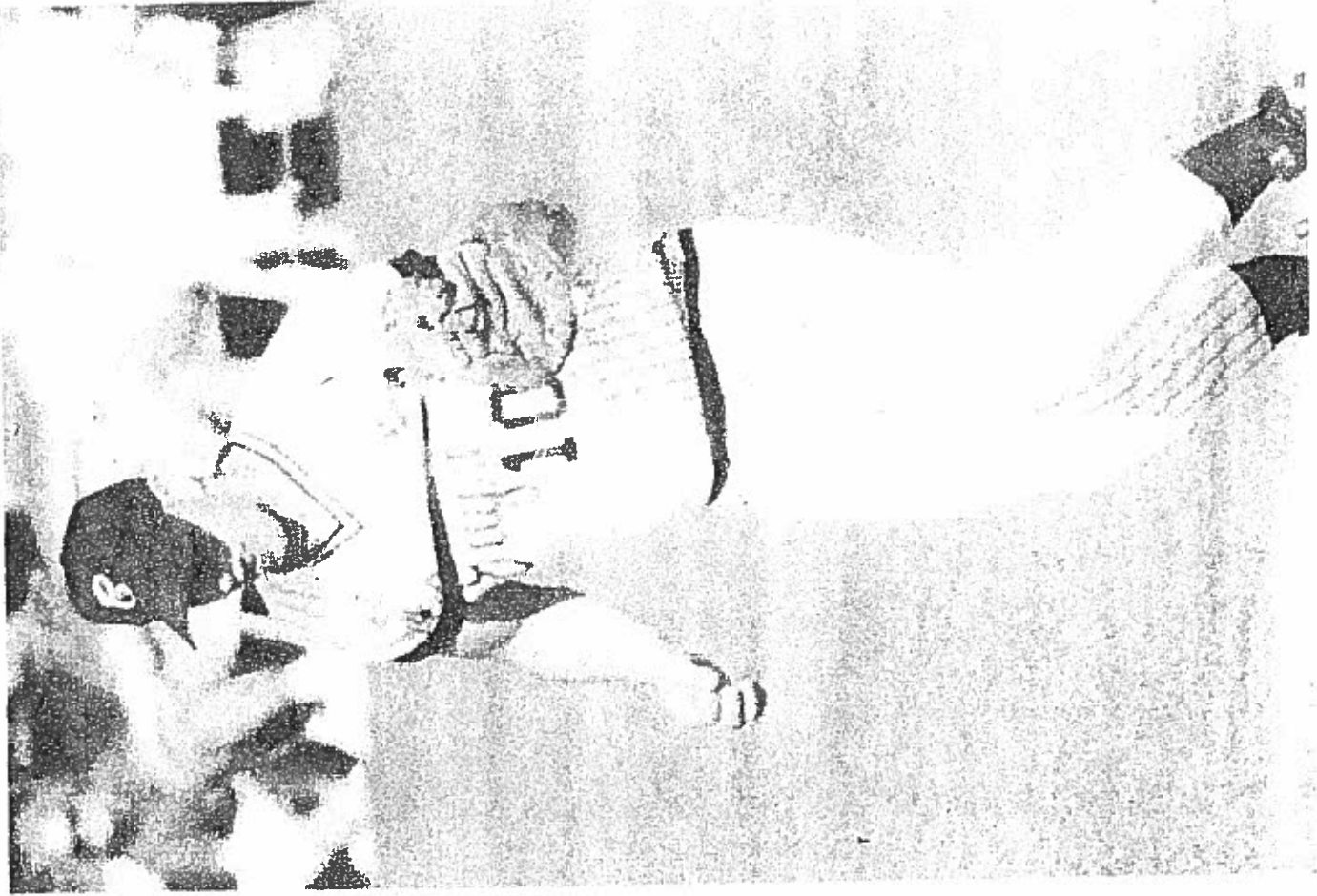
"He beat Towanda, 10-3, and he did a good job against a very good team. In the one-hitter, he was superb. That's the best game he's ever pitched in high school."

Should McCabe falter, Brad Keller, the team's closer with five saves on the year, including one in the district championship game against Southern Columbia, will be available to finish.

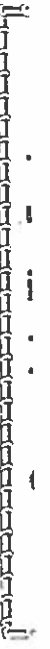
Of course, the reason McCabe won't have much margin for Please see **CENTRAL** page 20



Frank Reese (3) gets a good, high kick as he comes down out of the wind-up and stretches towards home plate.



Brad Keller (10) picks up and unassisted out at first base.



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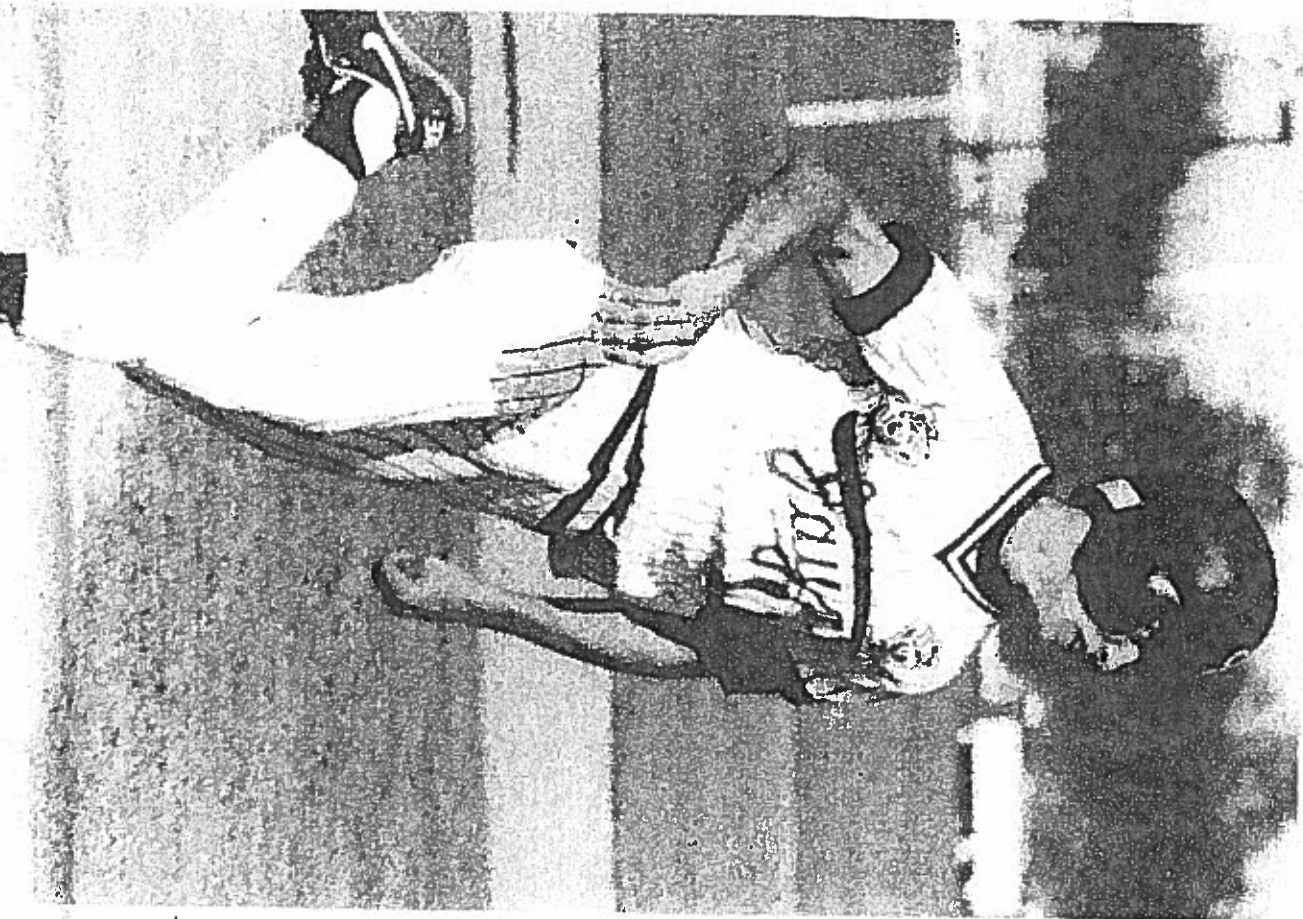
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Chris Beck (7) follows the ball with his eyes as it drops into shallow right field for a base hit.



Mike Lackner (11) 'rounds third base and heads for home.

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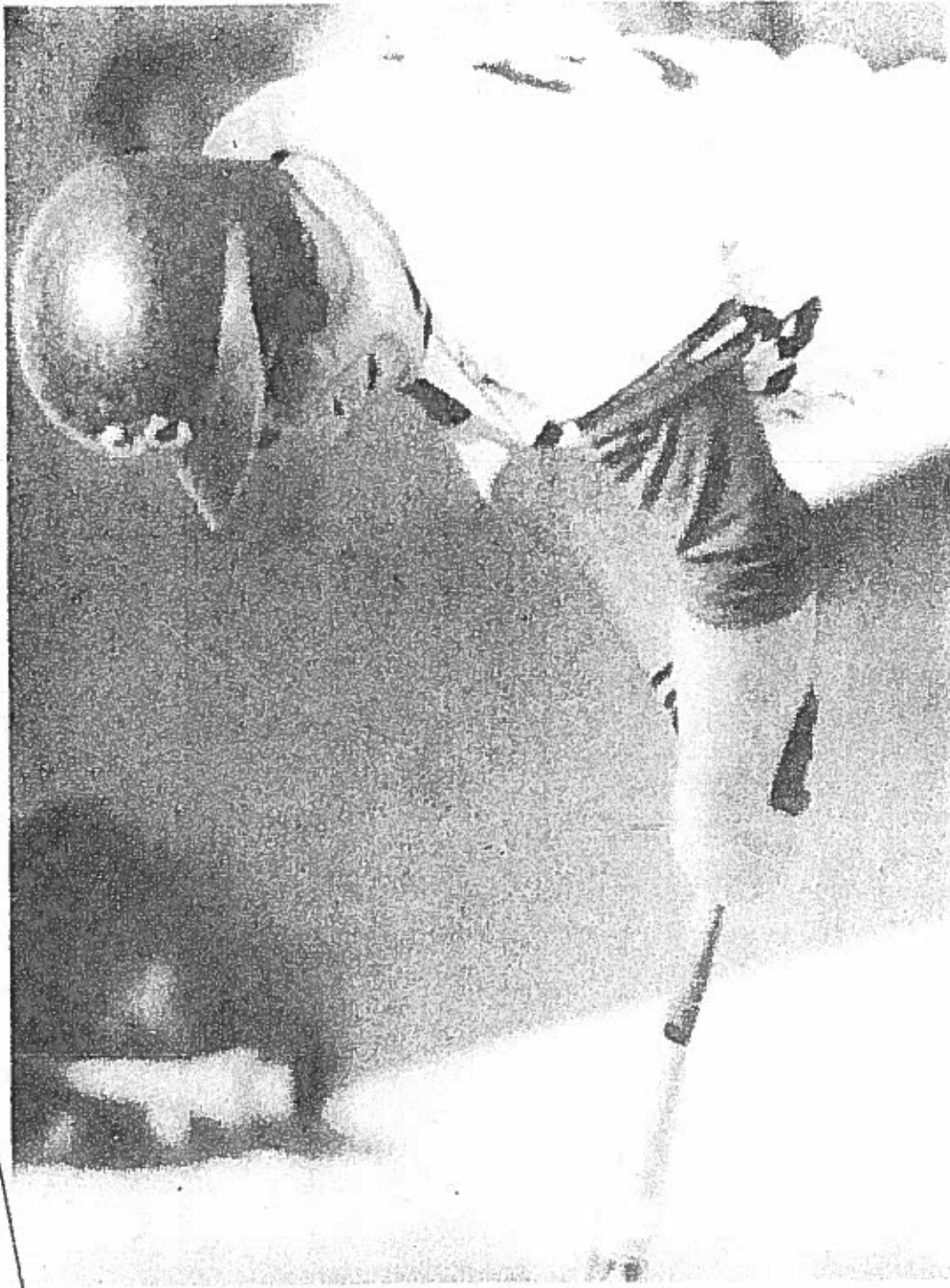
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Nick Adams (33) smacks a clean single into right/centerfield.

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TELEPHONE

Jays steal win from Tigers

By DAVE SHULTZ
Press-Enterprise staff

Southern Columbia dropped the ball Thursday, and Central Columbia took it and ran.

The Blue Jays stole five bases, including home three times on double-steal attempts, and watched the unpredictable Tiger defense make seven errors but turn a triple play in an 8-3 Jay win.

Central (12-2 overall) knocked Southern (7-3 overall) from the ranks of the unbeaten in the Mid-Penn League, while Bloomsburg took sole possession of first place with a 4-0 win over Benton.

"We played the worst game we've played all year and unfortunately it happened this game," said Southern coach Andy Mills. "I just told them they gotta refocus . . . the worst we'll do, if we win the rest of them, is finished tied for first (in the league)."

After pitching a strong game against Oley Valley Saturday, when he allowed just three hits, Central starter Frank Reese gave up only five over six innings to Southern. Then Brad Keller came out in the sixth and seventh, striking out three of the six batters he faced.

"I had a lot better control today than I did Saturday," said Reese, who walked two and struck out five. "I thought I did my best, and had Keller to close the door."

The Central fireballer did just that, getting out of a one-out situation with men on first and second in the sixth.

He ran the count to 3-0 on the first batter he faced, Dan Yost, but battled back to strike him



RUNDOWN — Southern Columbia's Steve Snyder puts a tag on Central Columbia's Mike Lackner in a rundown in the first inning between second and third base.

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Engle said the likes having Keller previously a starter ready to go in the late innings. "We're probably going to do that the rest of the year. Both

about it and I think he finally developed the mentality for it. It takes a special kind of person."

that helped get Central back to its style of baseball. "We worked very hard the last week, executing it (the double steal) and we got a chance to do it tonight . . . the kids did really well. We ran the bases intelligently," Engle said.

Central's train keeps on rolling

But tough test comes today

By STEVE HICKS
Press-Enterprise staff

■ ON PAGE 20: A look at Central's opponent — St. Pius X

■ ON PAGE 21: Fast facts on today's playoff game

Maybe Central Columbia baseball coach Don Engle knows that trick for turning lead into gold.

A lot of the surprising success his Blue Jays have enjoyed this season can be traced to lineup changes Engle made in the face of bad breaks.

The first came last year, when Brian Klingerman was injured late in the season and Jeremy Zeisloft, then a junior, stepped in at shortstop.

The second came this season, when junior Rob Shaffer said he wanted to put off surgery for an intestinal problem so he could play ball. He moved to catcher, senior Matt Ritter went from behind the plate to left field, and both prospered.

And the Blue Jays took off, going 20-3, winning the District Four Class AA title and taking on another interdistrict opponent today.

Engle gives Zeisloft and Shaffer plenty of the credit.

Shaffer has a medical condition known as Crohn's disease, which affects the colon, causing frequent diarrhea, nausea, weakness and weight loss.

He decided not to have a partial colostomy that was scheduled for March 24, the day before the team was to go south on its annual season-opening trip.

"I was feeling better than I had for quite a while, so I talked to my doctor and we decided (the operation) could wait," Shaffer said.

"I knew that this team had a shot at doing something. And we won District Four, and that was one goal."

"He didn't tell us that he'd decided to put it off," Engle said. "So we didn't plan on him playing. He wasn't even on the roster to make the trip to Maryland" on the last weekend in March.

"The day before he came to us and said, 'I decided I want to play this year.' So we scrambled around and put him on the traveling roster."

The difference of having an experienced and spirited Zeisloft at short and the defensive prowess of Shaffer behind the plate proved to be a big one for the Jays.

"Jerry's definitely the team leader," Engle said of his senior leadoff hitter. "He really looked up to Brian (Klingerman), and he was the same kind of fiery competitor. Sometimes he'll go overboard, but I'd rather have that than someone you can't get motivated."

Zeisloft agrees he has assumed the role of team leader. "I was nervous some last year (during the playoffs), but this year I know I've been there and I have to show the younger guys who haven't played in these kind of games before what you have to do. This year I haven't been

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Central

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nervous at all.

Zeisloff said winning the District Four Class AA football title was an important guide to him.

He also said that basketball season, in which the Blue Jays were expected to do so well, was disappointing for Shawn McCabe and Mike Lackner, two seniors who are now the leading hitters on the baseball squad.

"We worked our butts off in basketball and we felt like we didn't have anything to show for it. They seem determined to make sure that doesn't happen in baseball," Zeisloff said.

Shaffer's determination is of a quieter variety. Although he has to struggle with his health problem, he shrugs it off.

"I missed a couple days of school — but no games — during the season, and sometimes I get lightheaded behind the plate, mostly on really hot days," he said.

He also has an unusual situation at home. Both his parents are deaf.

But he simply notes, "I'm just an ordinary student at Central, out for baseball."

"This year's been so much fun. We've had a good season . . . no, I wouldn't say I'd be satisfied with it if we lost (today). It'd be all right. But a couple of us guys think we can win the whole thing. That'd be great."

His play behind the plate is vitally important to the Blue Jays' success.

"The change (at catcher) was important two ways," Engle said. Matt (Ritter) was having problems, and Rob has the stronger arm. Matt then responded with the bat — after a slow start, he's begun to come on."

At a glance

■ **WHAT:** PIAA Class AA baseball quarterfinal playoff game.

■ **WHERE:** Balliet Field, Coplay.

■ **WHEN:** 2:30 p.m. today.

■ **DIRECTIONS:** Take I-80 east to Northeast Extension of Pennsylvania Turnpike. Go south on turnpike to Route 22. Take Route 22 east to Route 145. Head north on MacArthur Road. Go about three miles to Columbia Street. Turn right to Balliet Field.

■ **RECORDS:** Central Columbia District Four champion, is 20-3. St. Pius X, District 1 champ, is 14-8.

■ **AT STAKE:** Berth in Eastern finals Monday against Wyoming-Saucon Valley winner.

■ **PITCHING MATCHUPS:** Central will go with senior Frank Reese (6-0, 2.24 ERA). Pius X will go with senior righthander Paul Erwin, who won two games in the District 1 playoffs without surrendering an earned run.

PROBABLE LINEUPS:

Central Columbia Blue Jays
Jeremy Zeisloff, ss, .342
Mike Lackner, cf, .488
Matt Ritter, lf, .246
Shawn McCabe, dh, .373
Nick Adams, rf, .394
Brad Keller, 1b, .462
Rob Shaffer, c, .357
Keith Smith, 2b, .223
Stu Hartman, 3b, .328
Frank Reese, p, 6-0, 2.24 ERA
St. Pius X Lions

Paul Erwin, p
Ken Yergey, ss
Mike Hairfeman, 1b
Bryan Blinski, c
E. J. Winters, 2b
Pete McGann, 1
Paul Marsh, dh
Matt Famous, 3b
Steve Stroble, cf
Ron Kryman, rf

■ **COACHES:** Central's Don Engle is 480-100 lifetime; Pius's Jack Yergey is in his twelfth year.

Softball

Jays hand Southern first loss

Central moves within half-game of league-leader

By Harold Raker
Sports reporter

ALMEDIA — The last time Brad Kelleraced the Southern Columbia High baseball team, he gave up a game-winning eighth-inning home run. The Central Columbia pitcher couldn't wait to meet the Tigers again.

Keller got his chance Thursday and made the most of it, preserving a 5-3 Mid-Penn Conference victory for starter Keith Smith. Keller doubled his pleasure, as the Blue Jays became the first team to beat Southern Columbia this season.

Central Columbia moved within a half-game of the MPC-leading Tigers. Central is 16-1 overall, 12-1 MPC) has three league games remaining. Southern Columbia (14-1, 3-1 MPC) has two.

No decision has been made about a playoff game if the teams finish in a tie.

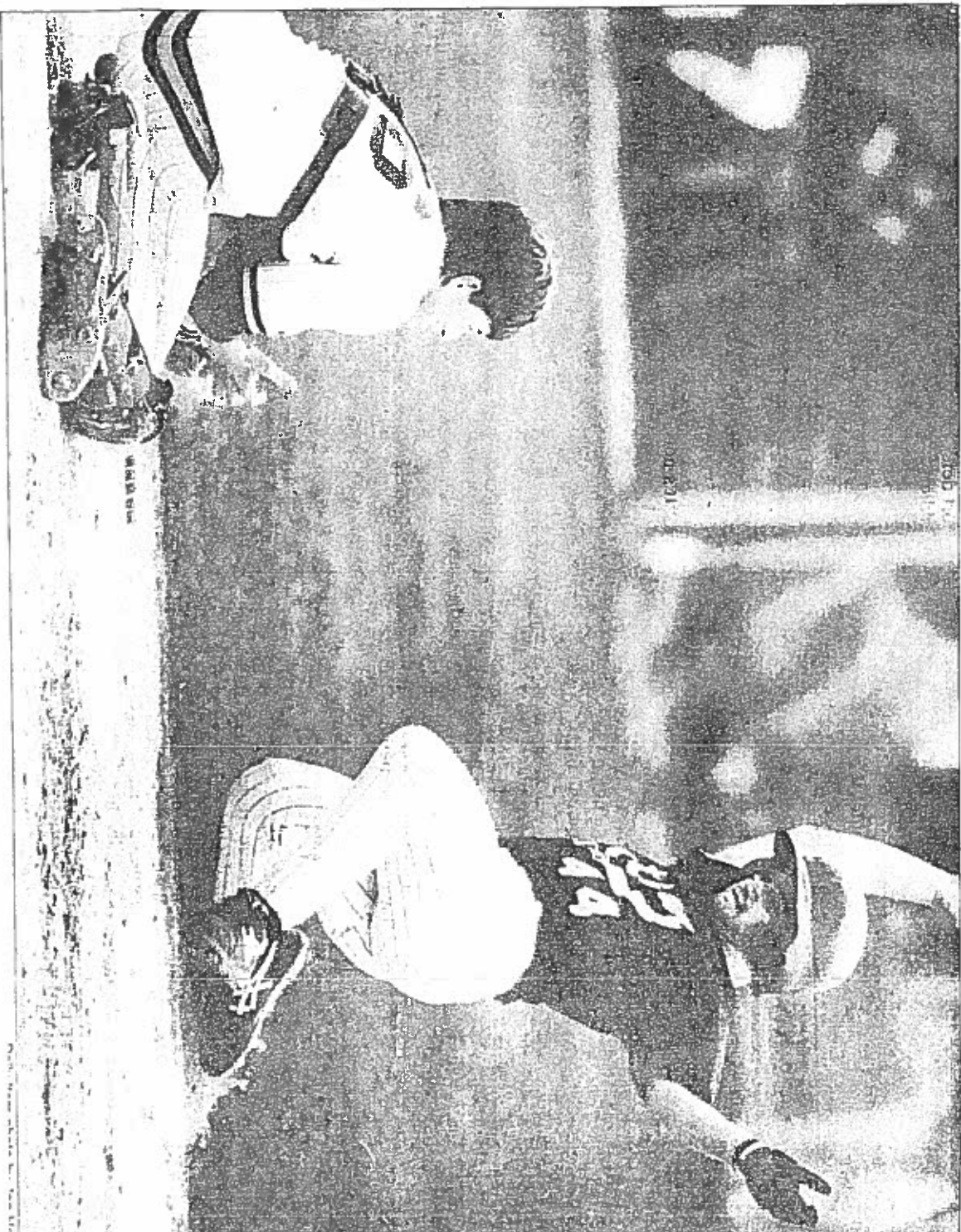
Central Columbia's plan was for Smith to pitch four innings and for Keller, who had just four innings of eligibility remaining for the week, to finish.

But Smith was pitching so well that Central Columbia Coach Don Engle delayed making the change until the Tigers put a runner on third with no out in the fifth.

"I really wanted to get in," said Keller, who added that Smith did well on the mound.

"Keith did a great job," Engle said.

Keller got out of the inning with a groundout to shortstop — Nate Klingerman gunned down Dave Woiłowicz at the plate — a fly

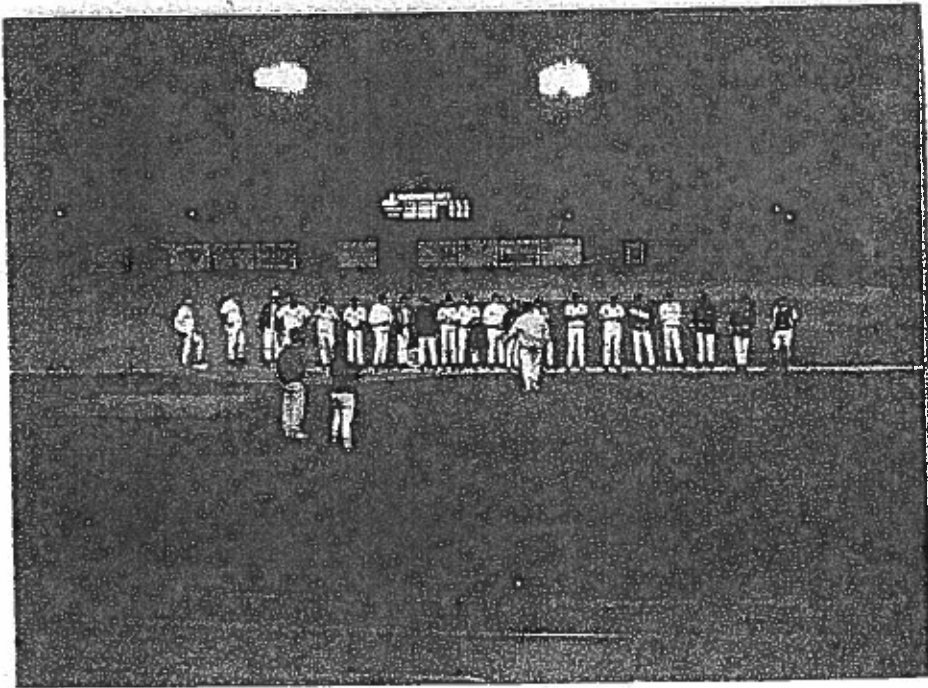


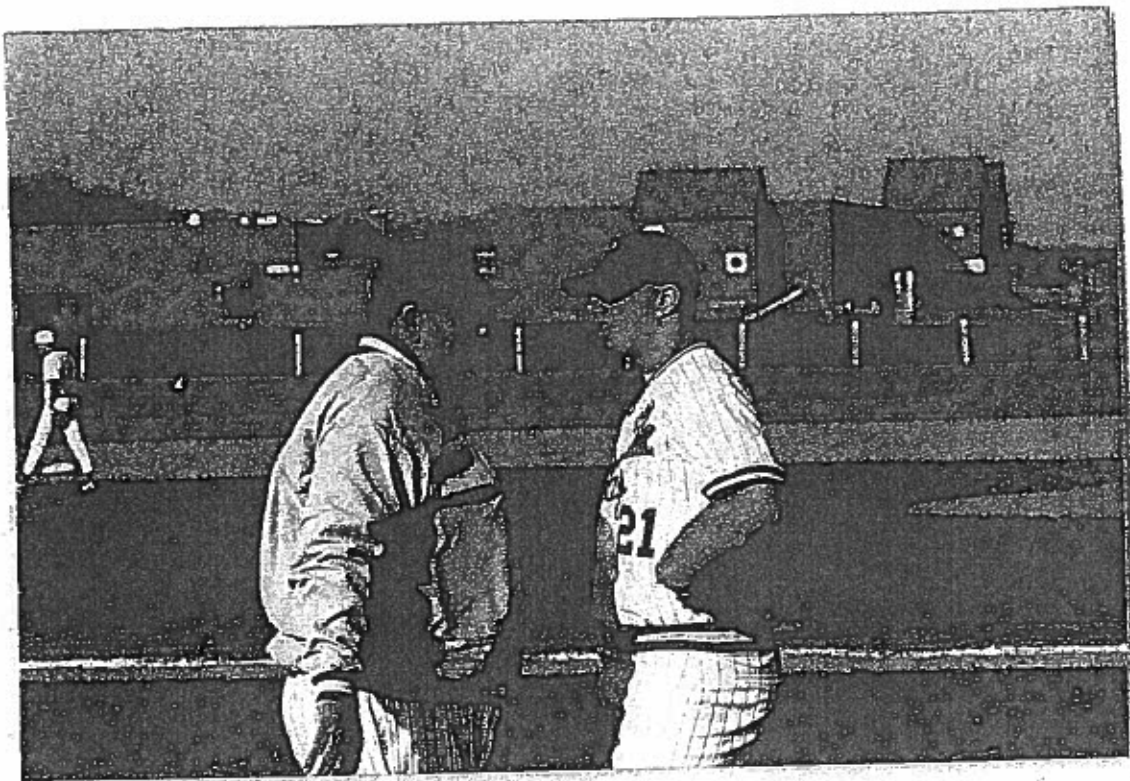


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Safe slide

Central Columbia's Brad Keller slides safely into second base as Sullivan County shortstop Bennett can't get a handle on the throw during the Blue Jays' victory over the Griffins Wednesday afternoon.





High school athlete of the week

Brad Keller

By the Press-Enterprise staff

Central Columbia's Brad Keller is one of the reasons the Blue Jay defense has five shutouts in seven games this season.

The 6-foot, 3-inch junior made the big plays for the Blue Jays last Friday against Lewisburg.

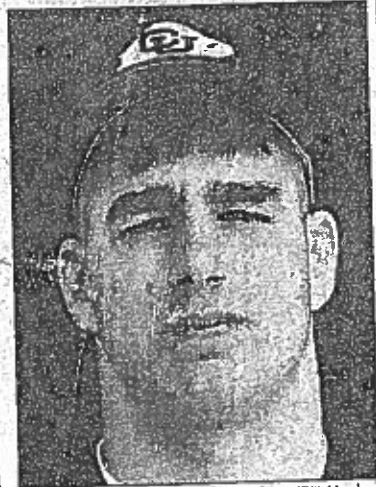
Keller intercepted a pair of passes and ran both back for touchdowns to send the Blue Jays on their way to a 28-0 Central Susquehanna Conference victory.

For his efforts, Keller has been named the Press-Enterprise Athlete of the Week for Oct. 12-18.

Keller, the leading tackler for the Blue Jays, picked off a Steve Dreese pass early in the second quarter and returned it 37 yards for the touchdown. Minutes later he did it again, this time going 18 yards for the touchdown to give Central a 14-0 lead.

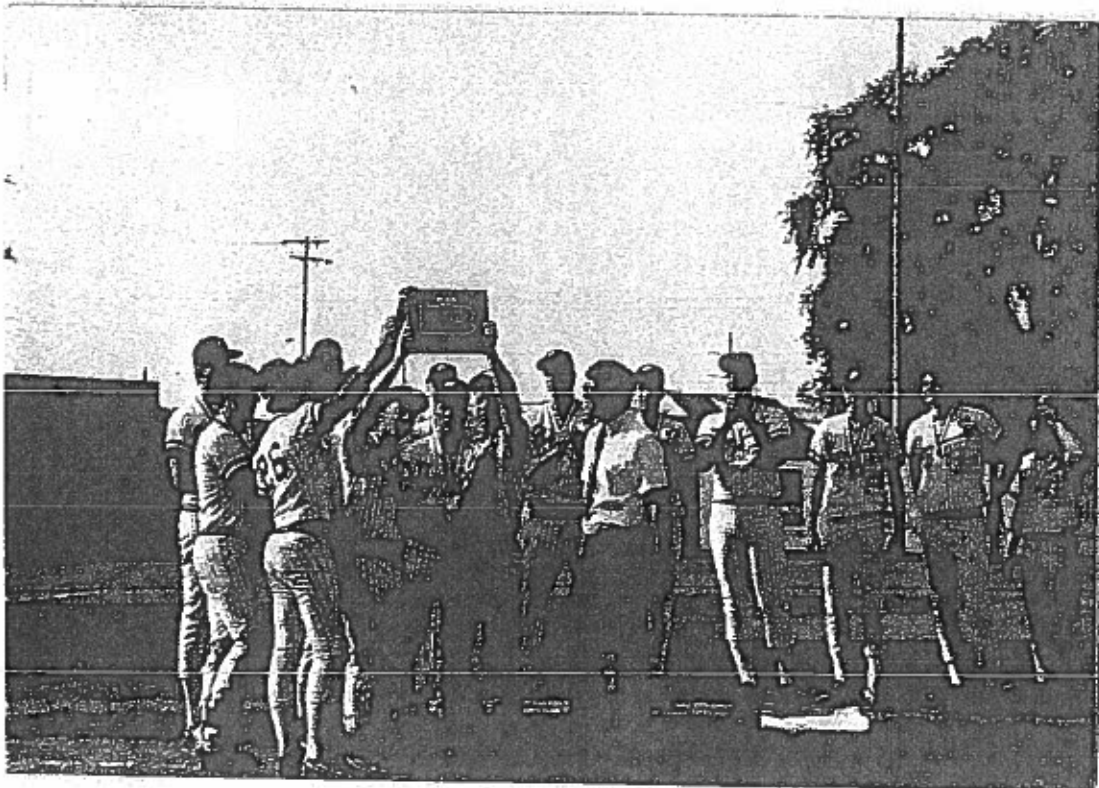
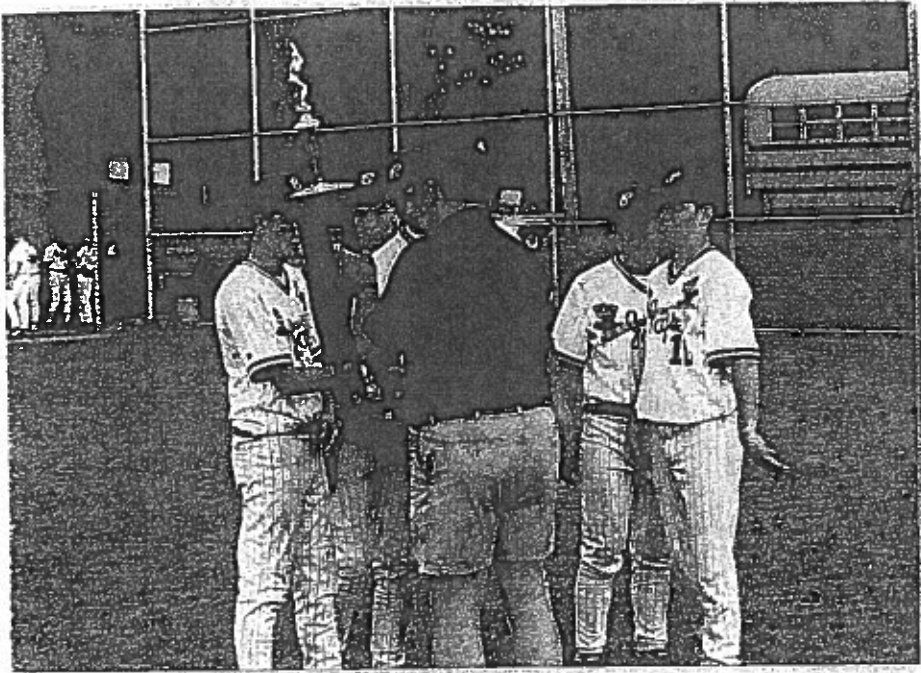
Honorable mentions:

■ **Scott Kurtz**, Shamokin, gained 282 yards rushing on 29 carries and Please see **ATHLETE** page 20



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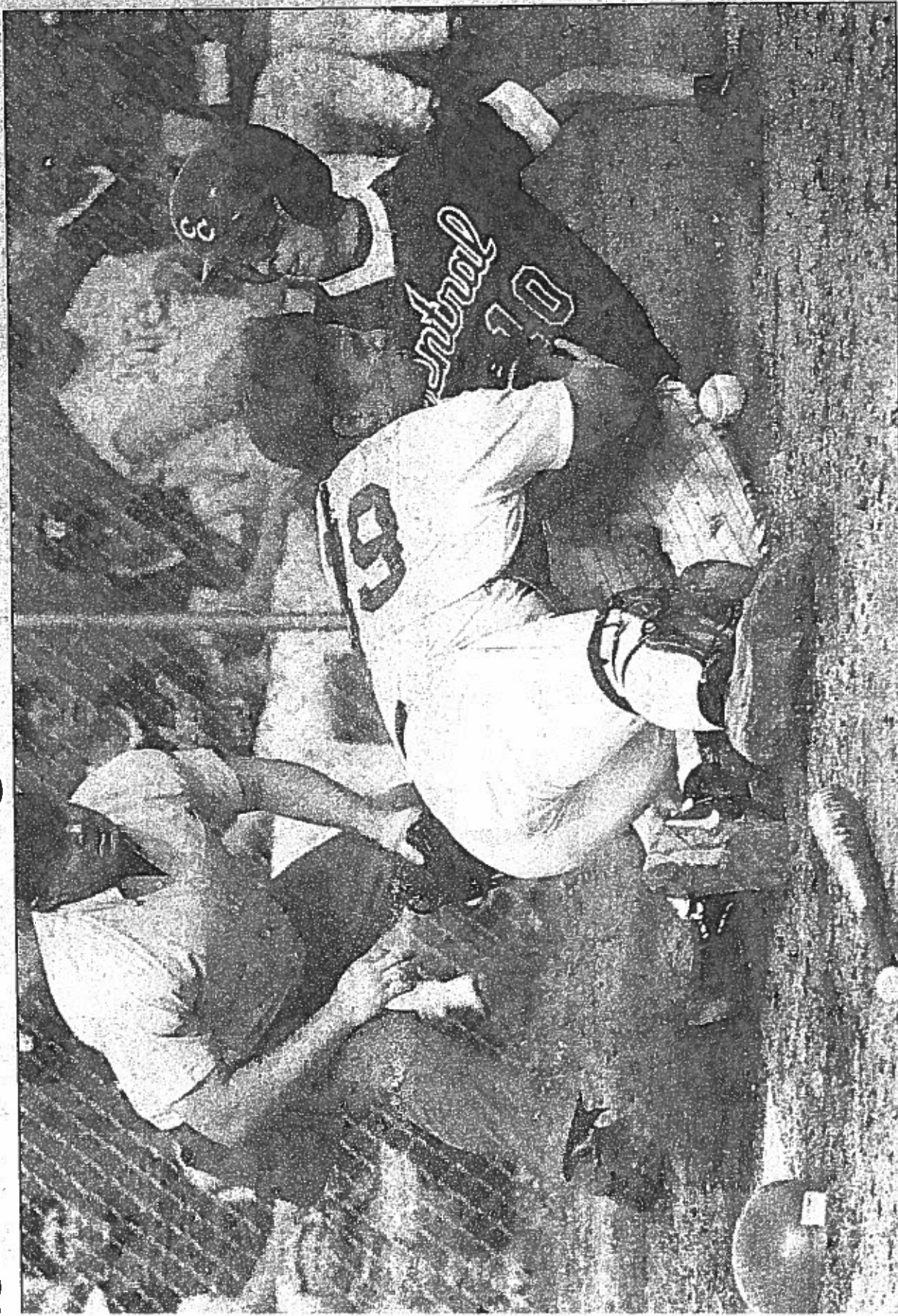
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D TO HOLD — Bloomsburg catcher Chopper Schlauch can't hang during the third inning of the Blue Jays' 10-5 victory over Bloomsburg
the ball as Central Columbia's Keith Smith slides into home plate Friday afternoon.

as big ending to Jays win over Bloom

Central senior too much for Panthers

By DAVE SHULTZ
Press-Enterprise Writer

BLOOMSBURG—The Central Columbia baseball story was starting to look like the Brad Keller story Friday.

Keller hit a monster home run in the first inning, then came in to bail out starter Nick Adams in the fourth and shut down Bloomsburg the rest of the way as the Blue Jays posted a 10-5 win in a Mid-Penn. League contest.

That sets Central up for a showdown with arch-rival Southern Columbia, which beat Bloomsburg 3-0 earlier in the week, on Monday afternoon.

For Keller, it was just another day at the office.

His homer in the first was a 3-run blast on a curveball from Panther starter Dave Wintersteen. Keller nailed a line drive that hit halfway up a large tree in left field before landing on Fort McClure Boulevard, down by the Susquehanna River. Luckily, trees can't scream.

"It came in flat and I had to go after it," said Keller.

He said he likes to go after the first pitch.

"Sometimes it helps me, sometimes it hurts me."

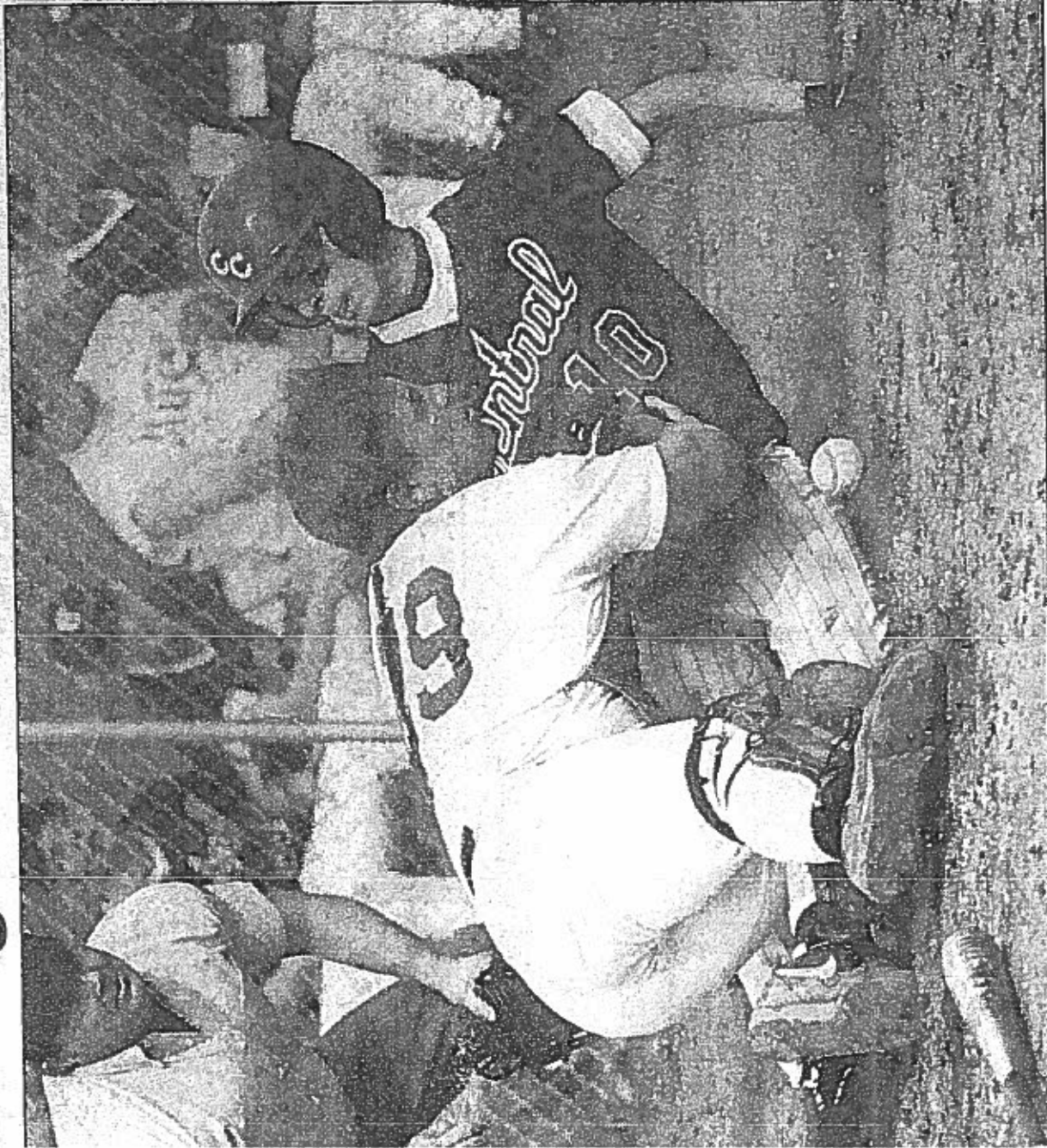
Surprisingly, it didn't seem to hurt Wintersteen much. He went on to give up just three singles, but was hurt by seven Panther errors, including one of his own.

"I think the thing that upsets me the most is we came in unfocused," said Bloomsburg coach Dick Klingerman.

Central raised its lead to 7-0 in the third inning when Bloomsburg committed five errors. One was on catcher Chopper Schlauch, when he dropped a throw from shortstop Brian Mumme that would have cut down the fourth run at the plate.

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Chopper Schlauch can't hang during the third inning of the Blue Jays' 10-5 victory over Bloomsburg
Smith slides into home plate Friday afternoon.

Central falls in Eastern final, 1-0

Wyomissing's Lytle quiets Jays' hitters

BY STEVE HICKS
Enterprise staff

PLAY — "If you don't hit, you don't win." That's how Central Columbia coach Don Engle summarized his team's 1-0, one-hit loss to Wyomissing's left-hander Matt Lytle in Monday's PIAA Class 3 Eastern final.

Lytle, who came in touted as the toughest pitcher Central has had in years, quieted the Jays' hitters by striking out three, walking seven, and giving up only one run in the off's two-out triple in the eighth inning.

However, the left-hander was outplayed by Blue Jay pitcher Shawn McCabe, who walked up one unearned run in the eighth inning.

Central's Andy Wolfrum grounded out to first baseman Stu Hartman, who threw low to first baseman Keller. Keller stretched out to catch the ball, but it fell loose for an error. The Spartans had new life. Don Eisenhower, the No. 9 pitcher in the lineup, followed with an opposite-field single to runners on first and

who finished the day with a perfect 3-for-3 and a walk, then stroked a single right through the middle as Wolfrum scored easily.

"We just wanted to put the ball in play," said Wyomissing coach Bob Wolfrum. "It was a nubber, a grounder, and a well-hit single strung together, and that was it."

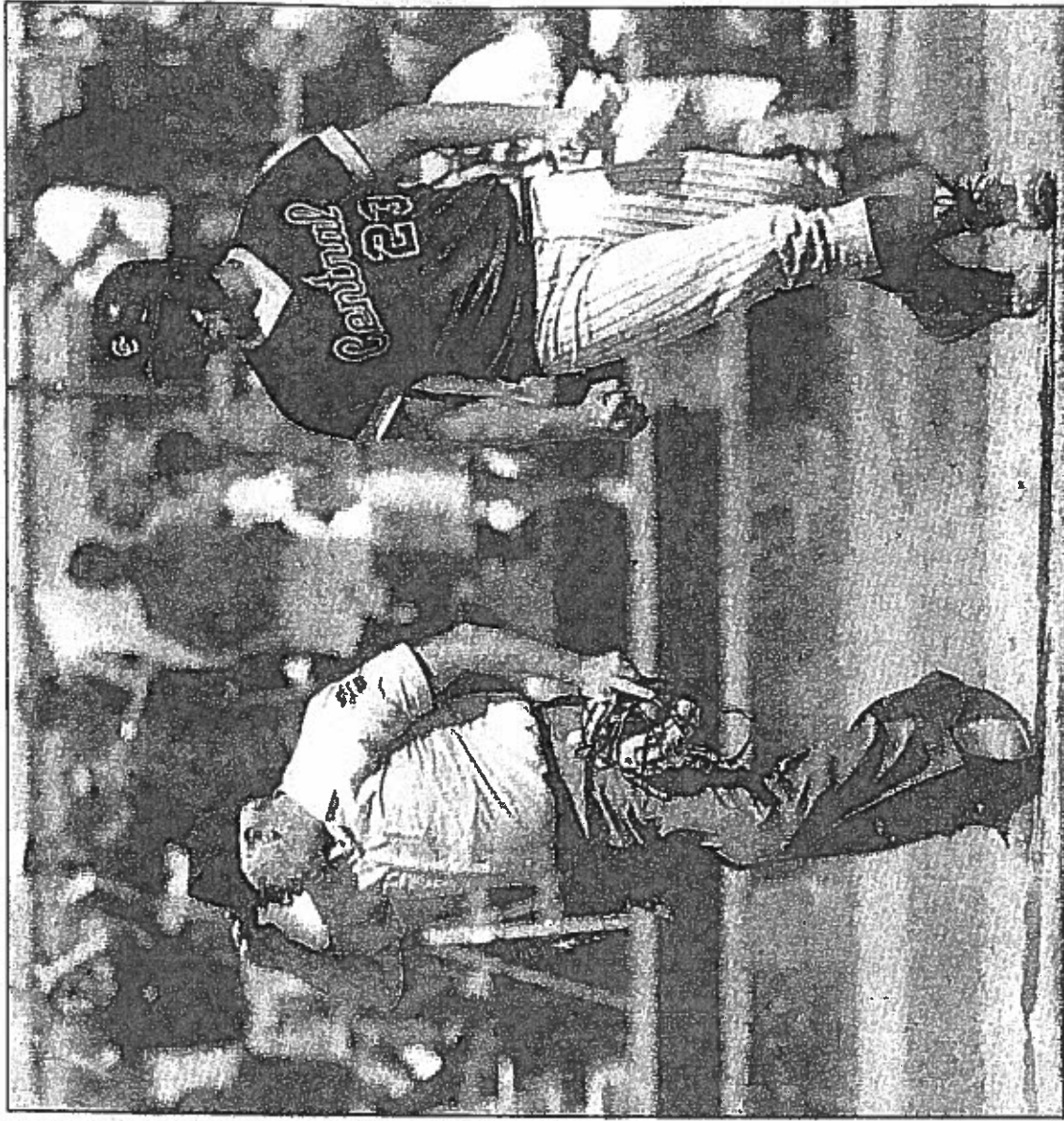
Central turned desperate at the plate against Lytle, who didn't allow a ball to be put in play until Mike Lackner's sacrifice bunt with one out in the third.

McCabe's lazy fly ball for the first out in the fourth was the first time the Blue Jays got the ball out of the infield.

Until then, Lytle had struck out seven — including his first six outs — and walked four. He walked Hartman and Zeisloff back-to-back in the third, but he used his pick-off move to catch Hartman off first for the first out.

Zeisloff's hit was the first time the Blue Jays hit the ball well. On a 3-2 pitch in the fifth, he stroked the ball to right field. Outfielder Bill Houck didn't get in front of the ball and it scooted past him, with Zeisloff running hard.

From deep in right Houck hit the cutoff man and Engle held



UNHAPPY BLUE JAY — Central Columbia's Brad Keller is unhappy after being called out on

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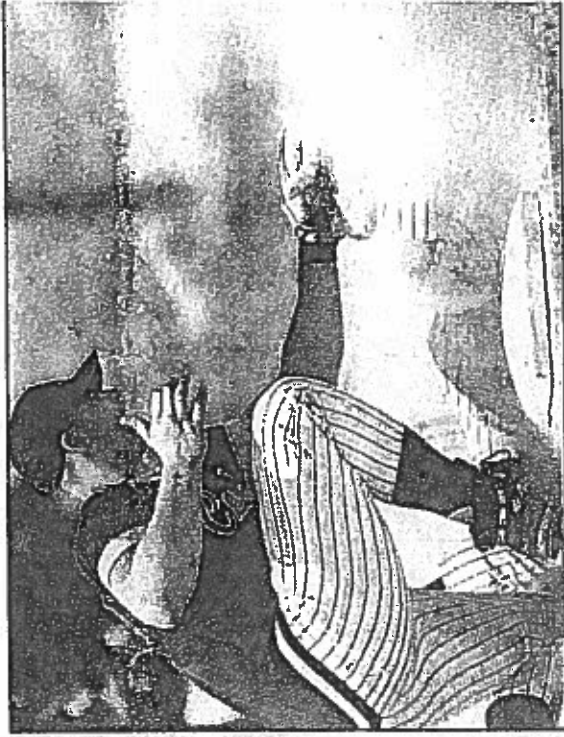
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Leadoff hitter Joe Torcolini,
Zeisloft at third.
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strikes in the sixth inning of the Blue Jays' 1-0 loss to Wyoming Monday in the PIAA Class A Eastern final. At left is home plate umpire Bill Stains, who made the call.

McCabe and Blue Jays lose a 'hot' duel



Press-Enterprise/Keith Haupt
SWING AND A MISS — Central's Shawn McCabe is ready to throw his bat after striking out in the Blue Jays' 1-0 loss in the Class AA Eastern final.



Press-Enterprise/Keith Haupt
NOT IN TIME — Central Columbia first baseman Brad Kell puts the tag on Wyoming's Joe Torcolini on a pick-off attempt in the first inning. Torcolini got back in time.

By STEVE HICKS
Press-Enterprise staff

COPLAY — It was a classic pitcher's duel in a big state tournament game.

Monday's PIAA Class AA Eastern final between Central Columbia and Wyoming was a showdown on the mound. Blue Jay right-hander Shawn McCabe and Spartan left-hander Matt Lytle did everything they could to keep their teams in the game in near 90-degree heat under a blazing summer sun.

Lytle survived, 1-0, as McCabe gave up a two-out RBI-single to Penn State-bound senior Joe Torcolini in the second inning that scored an unearned run.

Lytle struck out 13, McCabe 6; Lytle walked six, McCabe two. Lytle hit a batter and balked twice, but picked off one runner. McCabe also picked off a runner and didn't walk nor hit anyone.

Central stole three bases off Lytle, while Wyoming got one off McCabe.

And, despite all the closeness in statistics and scoring, the pitchers struggled.

"Both teams had their chances," Wyoming coach Bob Wolfrum said. "But neither one could get that hit to score. And that's a tribute to both pitchers."

Lytle struck out the first two batters he faced, then walked Matt Ritter, who stole second and went to third when the catcher's throw went into centerfield. Lytle then struck out McCabe to end the first-inning threat.

That was the way the left-hander pitched all day. He'd strike out several, then put himself in trouble with a walk. Only Jeremy Zeisloft hit him, knocking a hard outside pitch to right field for a triple in the fifth inning.

"It was tough," McCabe said of working with so little room for error. "I just tried to throw strikes and let the defense do its job."

Of his opponent, he said, "I threw hard. Not as hard as (Pat) Daneker (from Loyalsock, who McCabe beat 0 in the district playoffs), but he came from the left side and that spin or whatever makes difference."

Bloomington University baseball coach Matt Haney said
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WIN NO. 500

Central presents Engle with milestone victory

By SCOTT DUDINSKIE
Press-Enterprise Writer

Central Columbia baseball coach Don Engle got win No. 500 Wednesday, and then he got a soaking.

His Blue Jays had just made short work of Sullivan County, 14-2 in five innings, to perch Engle on that amazing milestone, and then big senior Brad Keller doused the coach with a bucket of water.

"He got me in a district championship game, too," the damp Engle said of Keller. "I think his aim was a little better this time. He's getting better, a little less water and a little less ice."

Keller joked, "I wanted to get him the 500th win because I'm sick of hearing him complain about it."

But Keller was a gentleman, waiting until Engle had finished an interview with a TV crew before delivering the shower.

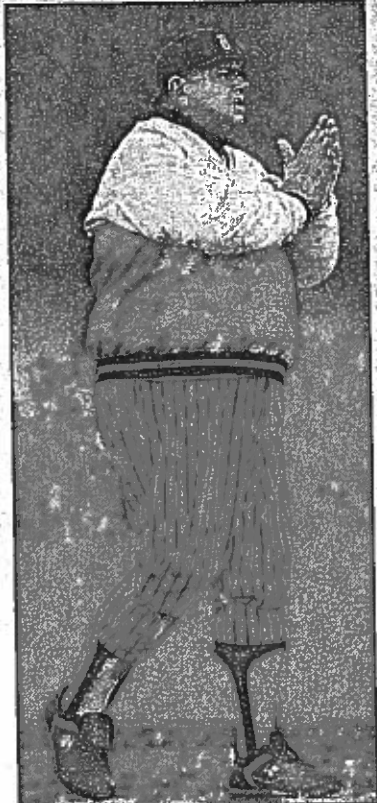
Keller had also dampened Sullivan County's day, going 2-for-2 with a double, 2 runs batted in and 3 runs scored.

Sullivan coach Bill Boatman was gracious in defeat.

"Congratulations to Don. He's a great coach," said Boatman. "I wish we could have made them earn it, and I also would have liked to help pour the water."

On the occasion of his milestone, Engle thought back 499 wins to remember the game that started it all.

"Two of my best pitchers were Paul Hartzell and Cherif Zaher — both of them signed minor league



Press-Enterprise/Kelth Haupt

MILESTONE WIN — Central Columbia baseball coach Don Engle notched his 500th career coaching victory Wednesday.

contracts — (they) pitched in an early season game against Milton and pitched a no-hitter," said Engle. "The score was four or five to nothing, and it was the first game I had ever coached in my life. It was a good way to start."

Central got win No. 500 off to a

good start by scoring three runs before making an out. Even the first out was a good one, as Dan Yeager knocked in a run on a sacrifice fly to left field.

With Central leading 4-0 in the bottom of the second, Blue Jay Bryan Claytor reached base on a dropped third strike. Freshman starting pitcher Jason Laubach followed with his second hit — a two-out single.

Claytor scored when Keller's smash to left took a bounce, hit the foul pole and landed on the other side of the fence for a ground-rule double. Rob Shaffer, knocked in both runners with a grounder that got by Sullivan second baseman Matt Fritsch.

"We finally hit the ball," said Engle. "That was my concern: We didn't hit the ball against Southern and we didn't hit the ball against Muncy at all. But we're going to need that hitting. We have a really difficult game on Friday (at Benton), and we're going to have to hit the ball."

Central continued to hit in the third, doubling its production of the first two innings with seven more runs by singling, stealing a base and singling again.

"We wanted to get some runs early and put them away early because we haven't been hitting the ball well this week," said Keller.

Chris Beck got a base hit with one out and stole second. Claytor knocked Beck in with a single, and then he stole second, a feat that was duplicated by the next hitter, Laubach.

Nick Adams broke up the conti-
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Danville's staying power downs S. Columbia, 7-5

By GARY SMITH For the Press-Herald

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DANVILLE — If Saturday's South Columbia-Danville game is any indication, this year's Eastern CS Area I tournament will not be an easy one to win.

And, it's going to be exciting to watch Matt Lewczyk, winning pitcher Chris Coombe and Terry Croft each had key hits as Danville, which scored five times in the ninth inning, hung on to outlast South Columbia 7-5 in the opening round of the Senior Division bracket.

"The comeback shows a lot of guts," said Danville manager Jim Cero, whose

team had trouble getting a key hit through the first five innings.

"We tried to stress in practice the importance of being in a position to win and to be able to come back. It was a very good win."

Even though Danville advanced into the winners' bracket, it could just as easily have dropped into South Columbia's losers' bracket position.

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South Columbia was not finished, though, rallying for three runs in the bottom of the ninth — two on a home run by McCabe — before Chris Pehowic, who relieved Coombe with two outs, issued a walk before retiring Reese on a grounder to third to end the game with runners on second and third.

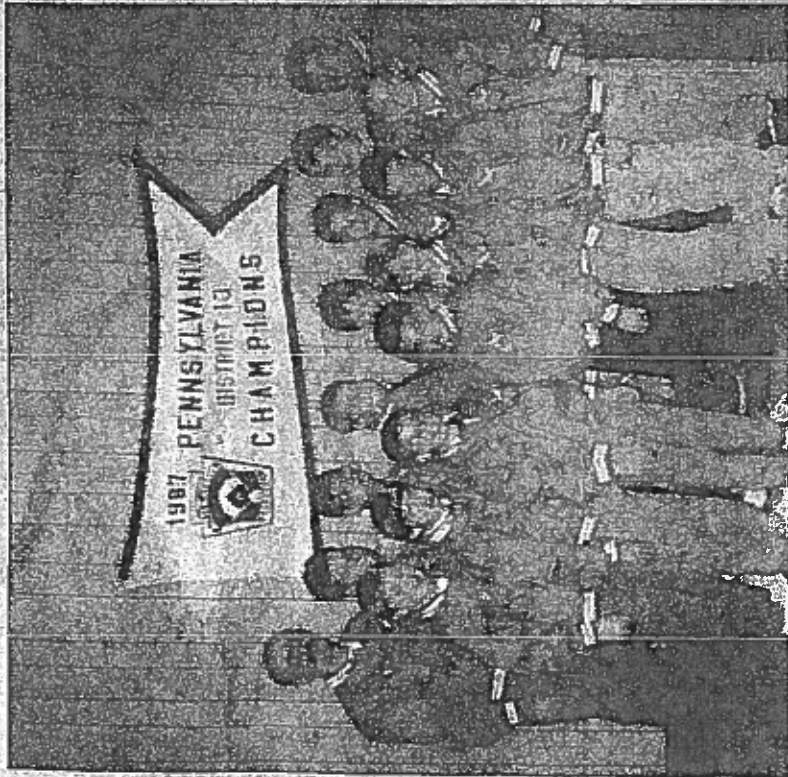
"Keller pitched one heck of a game," added Bucher, "and we had the chances, but (Coombe) shut it down."

Coombe went 8½ innings, giving up 10 hits and four earned runs. He walked three and struck out nine, throwing 148 pitches.

Keller was just as good, giving up five hits, three earned runs and six walks, striking out eight in eight-plus innings and 121 pitches.

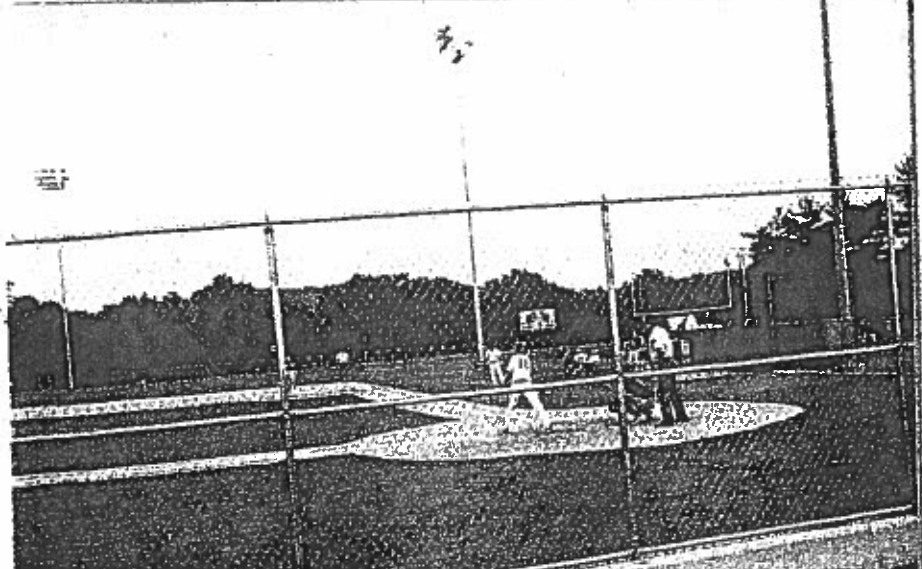
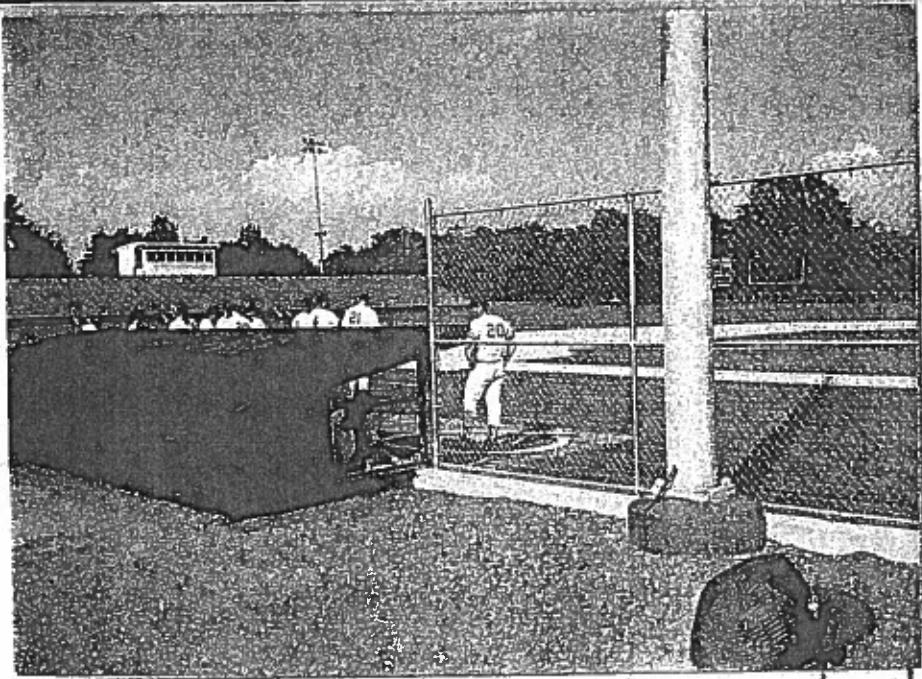
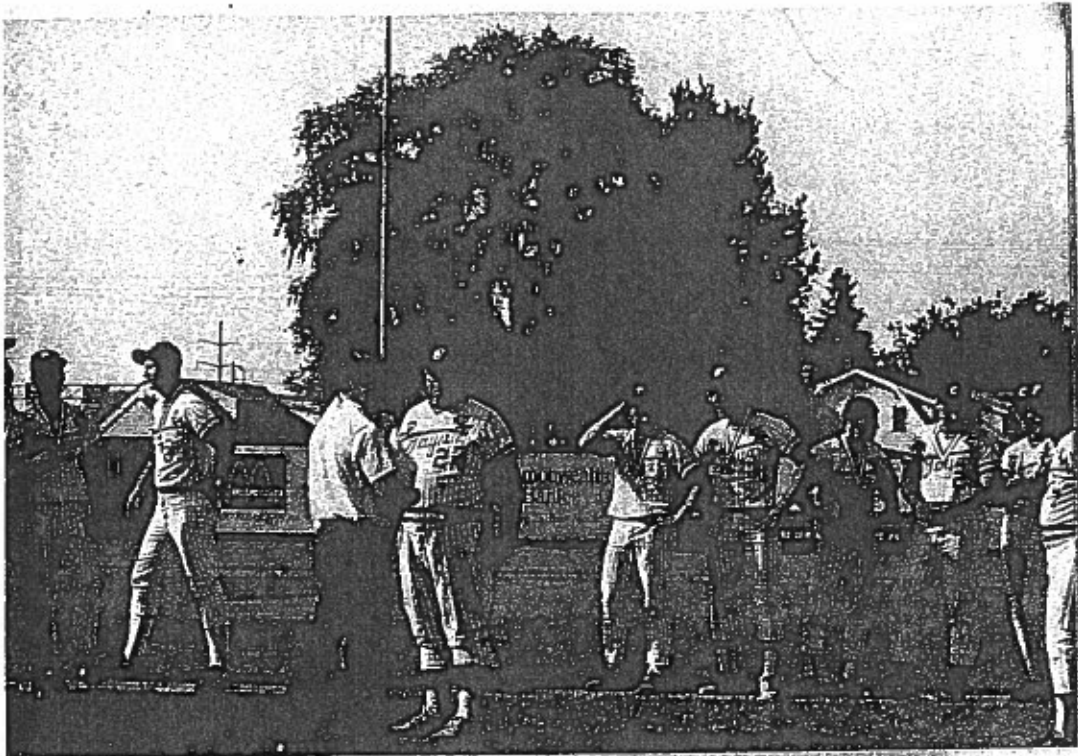
Danville is at Bloomsburg while South Columbia hosts Watson

Champions honored



South Columbia 1987 Major Division District 13 Little League Champions recently received honors and awards. Team members, front row, from left: Jon Fetterman, Phil Carpenter, Brian Graboski, Scott Mayernick, Robert Shaffer, Brad Fenstermacher, Mike Lackner. Back row; Coach Garry Reese, Dave Michaels, Frank Reese, Dan Yost, Brad Keller, Aaron Vezendy, Shawn McCabe, and Tom Williams, manager.





OFFERED CALL? Josh Roberts of Benton isn't handle a ball hit to deep centerfield ...

... which then appears to bounce over the wall. The play was ruled a two-run homer.

NO HITS: Jays' Force hits another perfect game/Page 12

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and it made a better life for and my family." Stephens said the condition diagnosed as a non-compliant ventricle or "stiff heart," vented sufficient oxygen to being pumped to muscles tissues.

Blue Jays remain unbeaten

Make escape against Seals

SCOTT DUDINSKI
Sports-Enquirer Writer

ELINGROVE — Central Col-
dia's Burt Reese, no slouch
he had a crystal ball.

mid-match, Reese looked
the near future and saw
trials' 4-3 win over Selins-
/e.

think Kevin (Baird) and I
win at No. 2 doubles to win
overall match," said Reese
after his No. 3 singles win
Selinsgrove's Andreas Fries,
5-7, 6-0.

at's what they did.
intrial coach Lee Ercolani was
ing the match's outcome

■ Danville rolls 'Cats/Page 13

wouldn't hinge on doubles play.
"I wanted to win the match in
singles because I felt our doubles
learn might be overmatched,"
said Ercolani.

With the overall match tied at
3-3, Baird and Reese were in a
position to lock up a Central win
after an almost flawless 6-1 win
in the first set.

"Kevin and Burt played a
sound first set, but lost their

concentration in the second,"
said Ercolani.

Selinsgrove's Charles Hagen-
buck and Fries surprised the
Blue Jay tandem by breaking
service and holding their own
serve in a 6-0 demolition.

"We played a strong second
set," said Selinsgrove coach
Dave McCarthy. "I knew it would
be hard to put to strong sets back
to back."

With Central leading the third
set, 5-4, Reese dove to his right
for a service return and hit a
perfect passing shot that lounded
just inside the endline to give the
Blue Jays their 11th win against
no losses.

Selinsgrove is 8-2.
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Former Husky's in

COMMENTARY

From five-time NCAA All-
American at Bloomsburg State
College to manager of the
International Swimming Hall of
Fame Aquatic Complex, Stu
Marvin continues to reap
awards.

Marvin was recently one of
11 people to receive
Community Service Awards
from the Greater Fort
Lauderdale, Fla., Convention &
Visitors Bureau.

The complex, in Fort
Lauderdale, was the site of the
recent YMCA National
Swimming/Diving
Championships, where
members of the Bloomsburg Y
Barracudas swim team



HEISTER BITTENBEND

competed.
Marvin, a member of the
Bloomsburg University Sports

SPORTSLINE

ISTS

ABOVE-PAR TEENS
WHO CADDIED REGULARLY

- Pat Buchanan
 - Bill Clinton
 - Bill Murray
 - Robert Wagner
 - Tip O'Neill
 - Charles Schulz
- Source: Golf Digest

ON THE AIR

TODAY'S PICK:

The Philadelphia Phillies
take on the Dodgers in Los
Angeles at 10:30 p.m. on
ESPN.
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SCORES

MAJOR LEAGUES

American	National
O's 10, A's 4	Expos 7, Giants 3
Angels 6, Yanks 3	Reds 8, Cubs 2
Indians 11, Twins 3	Padres 6, Mets 3
White Sox 3, Brewers 0	Cards 2, Rockies 1

NHL PLAYOFFS
Leads 1, Blackhawks 0

QUOTE OF THE DAY

You can't get much
better than perfect

... **Manager Joe Torre**
Mike Perez, who is 6-for-6 in save
opportunities with a 1.29 ERA

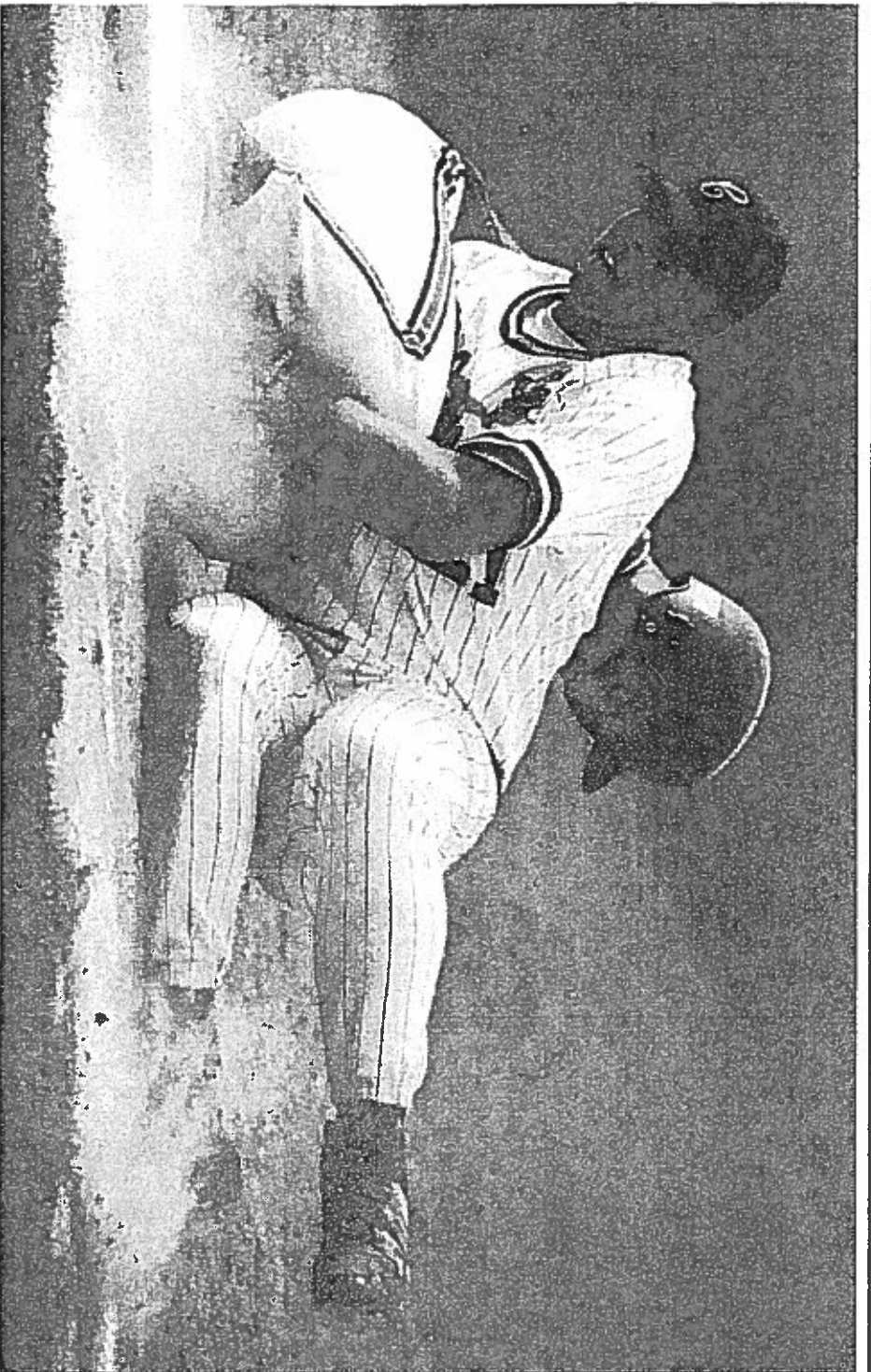


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/Wilkes-Barre since
sent him down a
ched seven scoreless
ombined with relief-

...the ...
enth in their last 10 games.
The victory boosted the Barons'
record to 7-8, while the Mud Hens
lost their ninth straight and fell

...the ...
"Bobby showed a consistent
curveball tonight," Thomas said.
"He throws a good fastball and
hard slider, but I'd throw the

...the ...
now, and I don't think I've ever
seen him pitch better than he did
tonight," Quade said.
"I can't complain," Munoz



Press Enterprise photo/Keith Haupt

ELY — Benton baserunner Jared Dressler (with
tes safely back to first base after a failed pickoff

attempt in Tuesday's game. Covering the bag is Central
Columbia first baseman Brad Keller.

... draw fire in Tiger loss

...the ...
"It was nice to see him get out
of that after six innings and 75
pitches and the long inning,"
Quade said.

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Holyfield exits r cites h His life 'not i

By TOM SALADINO
AP Sports Writer

ATLANTA — Even before he
knocked out Buster Douglas for
the heavyweight title almost four
years ago, Evander Holyfield
knew something was wrong with
his body.

On Tuesday, four days after
losing his title to Michael Moorer
on a 12-round decision, Holyfield,
31, was diagnosed with a congeni-
tal heart condition, forcing his
retirement.

Holyfield's personal physician,
Dr. Ronald Stephens, said the
condition was manifested by
severe fatigue and was diagnosed



Keller keeps Jays loose with humor

By STEVE HICKS
Press-Enterprise staff

Listen to Central Columbia's Brad Keller long enough, and you want to spell colorful character with two K's.

Keller, a junior right-handed pitcher and first baseman, leads the team in home runs with eight, three in post-season. He's also the closer on the three-man Blue Jay pitching staff, with a save in the District Four championship game against Southern Columbia and a 1.37 ERA in 35 1/2 innings.

Keller was also the tight end and rush linebacker-defensive end on the Blue Jay district champion football team, and he looks it — he's 6-foot-5 and 250 pounds.

His size is one explanation for his nickname of "Meat." But there's more to that story.

Keller says Central baseball coach Don Engle had in mind the behemoth basketball player in the movie "Porky's" — the one who was barely good for a monosyllable.

Keller says Engle regrets associating his bull-like slugger with the movie character, since Keller is by no means dumb.

'He's one of a kind. 'J

Central's Mike Lackner
on teammate
Brad Keller

"He's not that bad," Central senior pitcher-first baseman Shawn McCabe said of his close buddy. "When he needs a good grade in school, he does some work and gets it. . . . I think he likes the attention."

The attention Keller gets is the kind that Yogi Berra and Casey Stengel were famous for drawing.

As McCabe put it, "Brad's unique." Senior center fielder Mike Lackner adds, "He's one of a kind."

So, remembering that both Berra and Stengel won world championships while regaling reporters with witticisms, here are the classic Kellers.

■ From McCabe: "Last year, Brad pitches and comes out of the game. As he comes into the dugout, past coach Engle, (Engle) says, 'Get your jacket and some ice.'"

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High School Athlete of the Week

Brad Keller

By the Press-Enterprise staff

For Central Columbia junior Brad Keller, this just might be a sign of things to come.

Keller drew five walks as the Blue Jays clobbered arch-rival Bloomsburg, 17-3, last week. It either means he has a great eye for good pitches or he's just not getting many good pitches.

In any case, Keller also finished the week with four hits and seven RBI as the Blue Jays rolled to three victories. For his performance, Keller has been selected as the Press-Enterprise Athlete of the Week for April 4-10.

Keller banged out a double and single and drove in four runs in an 11-1 win over Millville. He came back with a home run and single and drove in three runs in a 14-4 win over Columbia-Montour Vo-Tech.

Honorable mentions:

■ Kelly Smith, Berwick, scored four goals in a 5-0 victory over Seton



BRAD KELLER
Central Columbia's multiple baseball threat

Catholic.

■ Stacey Force, Central Columbia, threw the sixth no-hitter of her career in a 10-0 victory over Millville

and combined with Tonya Gunther on a one-hitter in a 20-0 victory over Vo-Tech.

■ Devon Knorr, Southern Columbia, belted a game-winning home run in an 8-7 victory over Shamokin.

■ Blake Falter, Central Columbia, swept the long, triple and high jumps in an 82-68 win over Danville and an 80-70 loss to Lewisburg.

■ Jeremy Jarosky, Shamokin, won the 110- and 300-meter hurdles and captured the long and triple jumps in the Indians' 68-63 victory over Blue Mountain.

■ Bobbi Lynn Monroe, Berwick, won the 300 hurdles and long and triple jumps in the Bulldogs' 74-67 loss to Crestwood.

■ Lon Record, Benton, threw a three-hit shutout and rapped a triple and two singles in a 10-0 victory over Columbia-Montour Vo-Tech. He added a pair of hits in an 11-4 loss to Sullivan County.

■ Darrin Johnston, Warrior Run, was the winning pitcher in a 12-2 victory over Lewisburg. He helped his own cause by cracking a triple. Please see **ATHLETE** page 16

SPORTSLINE

Lists

REVOLVING DOOR

Major League Baseball teams that change managers the most*

1. Seattle Mariners — 1 year, 8 months
2. Texas Rangers — 1 year, 10 months
3. San Diego Padres — 1 year, 11 months
4. Minnesota Twins — 2 years, 1 month
5. Chicago Cubs — 2 years, 1 month

*Dodgers fewest changes with average of 5 years, 10 months

Source: World Features Syndicate

On the Air

SUNDAY'S PICK:

The National Hockey League makes its return to network television with an opening round playoff game on ABC at 1 p.m.

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double and single to drive in four runs.

■ Christy Kittle, Northwest, ripped a double and single and picked up the pitching victory in relief in a 5-4 win over Dallas.

■ Chris Moscatello, Bloomsburg, swept the 1600- and 3200-meter runs in a 94-56 win over Danville and a 126½-23½ loss to Selinsgrove.

■ Scott Bogart, Benton, belted a double and two singles in a 10-0 win over Vo-Tech and added a pair of hits in an 11-4 loss to Sullivan County.

