

SPORT SHORTS

Sumner, McQuaid thrive at Penn Relays

McQuaid senior Brad Sumner finished third in the scholastic Championship of America 1,500 meters at the Penn Relays in Philadelphia Friday, April 28, establishing a Section 5 record with a time of 3:53.71.

Sumner broke the sectional mark set by another McQuaid runner, Todd Warth, who finished the distance in 3:58.9 at the 1982 Penn Relays.

Sumner also played a key role in helping McQuaid finish fourth in the final of the 3,200-meter relay on Saturday at the Penn Relays. McQuaid's time was 7:51.63, marking the school's best performance since 1975, when a McQuaid team set the Section 5 record with a time of 7:45.5.

The team of Scott Romanowski, Jason Fahy, Mickey Stone and Sumner finished first in the qualifying heat, and ran the third-fastest time in Section 5 history with a time of 7:49.48.

In the April 24 issue of *Sports Illustrated* magazine, Sumner was featured in the "Faces in the Crowd" segment for his shattering of the national high school indoor record for the 600-meter run by .78. The Penfield resident ran a 1:19.56 at the state championships. He was also cited for winning the national title in the 800 meters in 1:55.29.

10th 'Run for Rehab' set for Elmira venue in May

The 10th annual "Run for Rehab," which is co-sponsored by the Twin Tiers Rehabilitation Center and the Elmira Rotary, will take place on Saturday, May 6 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The event is held on a quarter-mile circuit at High and East Market streets, directly across from the main entrance of St. Joseph's Hospital in Elmira.

The course is designed to accommodate runners and walkers of all ages. Each participant solicits sponsors to donate money for each lap completed within one hour. Money raised through "Run for Rehab" goes toward the rehabilitation center's purchase of therapeutic equipment used in the treatment of handicapped individuals.

Awards, including the Brad Quinn Memorial Trophy for the participant who demonstrates the most courageous spirit, as well as medals and gift certificates will be distributed after the run. A T-shirt will be also given to each participant with five or more sponsors.

Call the Twin Tiers Rehabilitation Center at 607/733-6541, ext. 7911 for forms or information.

McMail delivers big for ND softball team

By Richard A. Kiley
Staff writer

The "McMail Connection" is providing big dividends for the girls softball team at Elmira Notre Dame High School this season.

Bobbi McMail, the pitcher on a team coached by her father, Bruce, has been the catalyst in making the Crusaders a surprising contender for the Sullivan Trail Conference title this season.

Not many people expected the inexperienced Crusaders (3-1 league, 6-2 overall) to be where they are at the mid-point of the season. This was supposed to be a rebuilding year for ND, which lost a wealth of talent to graduation last June.

But McMail — Bobbi, that is — has helped lead Notre Dame to four consecutive victories, most recently a 4-2 win over Class B Susquehanna Valley at Notre Dame on Saturday, April 29.

Susquehanna Valley had beaten Notre Dame, 7-3, in the first meeting of the season between the two teams back on April 19. "It's always nice to beat a team that you lost to the first time around," Bruce McMail said. "It shows how much we're improving."

Sophomore Erin Kernan, who platoons at second base, had a two-run single for ND. McMail doubled in another run, struck out seven batters and walked just one to improve her record to 6-2 for the season.

"I'm very proud of her. She's really pitched and hit well for us, and the rest of the team has taken her lead," said Bruce McMail, who took over the program this year from Wayne Coburn.

In what may probably be the biggest win of the season so far, Notre Dame trounced host Southside, 17-6, on Friday, April 28. McMail tossed an eight-hitter and collected six RBI to propel Notre Dame.

Both of McMail's hits came with the bases loaded.

Kathy Lynch was 3-for-5 with 3 RBI for

the Crusaders, and Melanie Crisco was 2-for-3.

The win moved Notre Dame to within a half-game of first-place Horseheads (4-1). Horseheads has been slumping of late after losing all-league pitcher Linda Coburn — the daughter of the former Notre Dame softball coach — to a broken wrist. Southside blanked Horseheads, 2-0, earlier in the week.

"I think we caught Southside sleeping," Bruce McMail said. "They beat Horseheads earlier in the week, and I think they were looking past us."

Notre Dame's other win last week came against Corning East, 11-10, at home on Wednesday, April 26. The score was 10-10 as the Crusaders came to bat in the seventh.

Lynch walked with one out, stole second and then scored all the way from second base on a fielder's choice.

DeSales' softball team (3-0 Finger Lakes West, 5-0 overall) was unbeaten heading into this week's action after beating Dundee, Romulus and South Seneca last week.

Against host Dundee on Friday, April 28, Danielle Boncaro had two hits and three RBI in four trips to the plate to help the Saints win, 9-3. Boncaro was also the winning pitcher to improve her record this season to 4-0.

The Saints broke the game open with five runs in the first inning. Senior Lee Ann Breen was 2-for-3 with one run batted

in for DeSales. Breen has been playing left field for Pat Luzzi's Saints since Stacy Cook was injured.

DeSales came from behind to beat visiting Romulus, 16-15, in eight innings on Wednesday, April 26. The Saints, who trailed much of the game, scored one run in the sixth and five more in the seventh to tie the game, 12-12, after seven innings.

Romulus, which lost to DeSales 13-6 in the championship game of the Romulus Tournament back on April 8, then scored three runs in the top of the eighth to take a 15-12 lead into the bottom of the inning.

But the Saints scored four runs in their half of the inning to win the game in dramatic fashion. Mary Kelly Sullivan scored the winning run when she scored on a wild pitch from third base.

Boncaro allowed 13 hits, struck out three and walked four. Boncaro and Breen paced DeSales with three hits each.

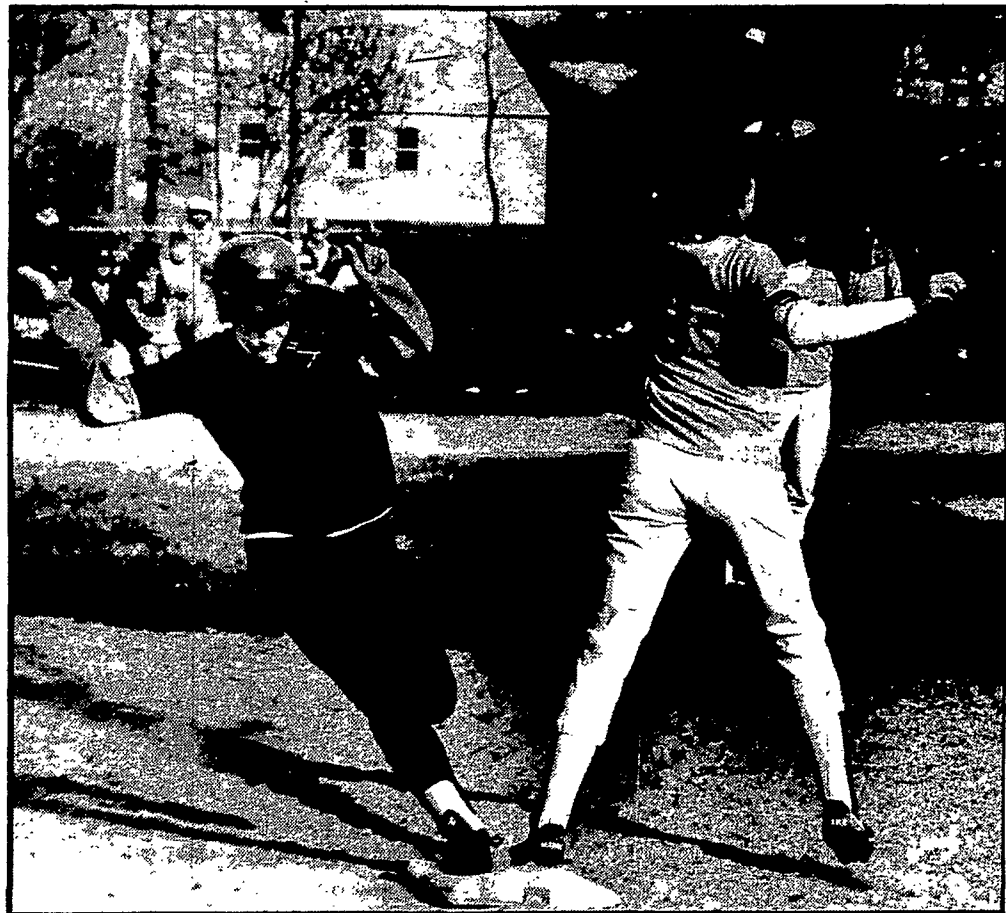
Luzzi's team won a sloppy game against visiting South Seneca on Monday, April 24. Sullivan had a triple for DeSales, which benefited from 14 walks by South Seneca, to win, 19-11.

Breen leads the team with a .583 batting average (7-for-12). Boncaro was hitting .389 (7-for-18) at the beginning of the week.

DeSales will be more severely tested this week with league games against Honeoye (4-0 league) and Red Jacket (3-0).



Nazareth softball coach Dave Pisano discusses a call with the umpire during the Friday, April 28, Private-Parochial League game.



Nazareth's Amy Attridge beats the throw to Kearney first baseman Kris Laboski (9) during sixth-inning action of the Kings' 20-10 loss.

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