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Message from the President Dave Niro

As President of the National AAABA, I would like to welcome you to Johnstown Pennsylvania, and the finest Amateur Baseball Tournament in the country. This will be my first Tournament as the President, and it is my pleasure to serve the AAABA in this capacity. I would like to thank all the Officers and Board of Directors of the AAABA for all the hard work they put in, and also for all their support.

I would like to offer my special thanks to all the board members of the Johnstown Old Timers, without them this would not be possible. A special thank you to George Arcurio, Jr. who does a lot of work behind the scenes in order for this Tournament to go smoothly as it does every year.

I would also like to thank the news media, both newspaper, and TV for their cooperation, in promoting and covering our great Tournament.

Good luck to all the players and coaches, and I hope everyone has a great week in Johnstown.

Yours in Baseball,

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As I write this letter in the bicentennial year of our City, I look around and I feel great pride in all that we have accomplished in the past century. I continue to envision our future in the new millennium as one with great promise and possibilities. Since 1944, for 56 years, the AAABA organization has been supporting and promoting the all time favorite pastime of America, baseball. That is a remarkable accomplishment and I sincerely commend you and your predecessors for the outstanding work you have done throughout the years in providing opportunities for amateur athletes and enjoyment and entertainment for fans everywhere. Our community of Johnstown has been privileged to host the AAABA games for many years. The City of Johnstown continues to support this worthwhile event and we applaud and encourage your efforts to bring outstanding athletic competition to our region.

Please accept my very best wishes as you conduct the opening games of the 21st Century in the City of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

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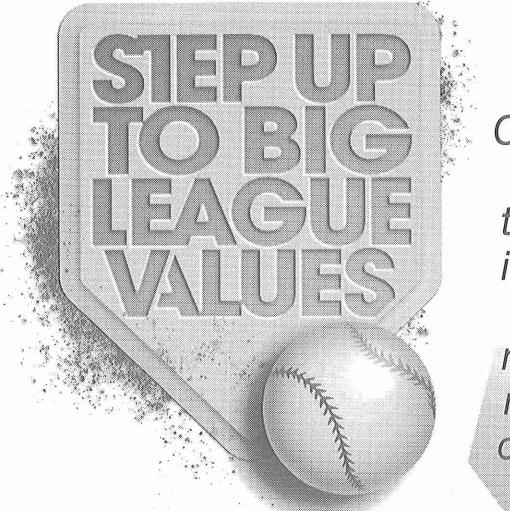
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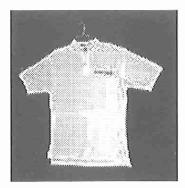
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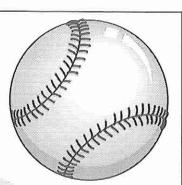
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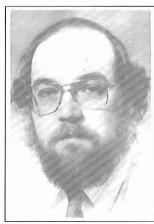


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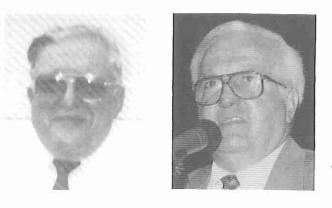


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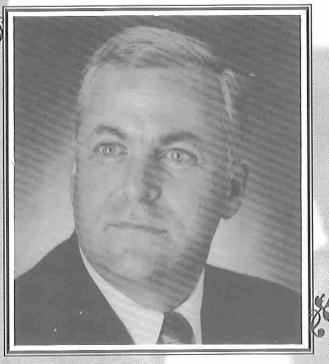
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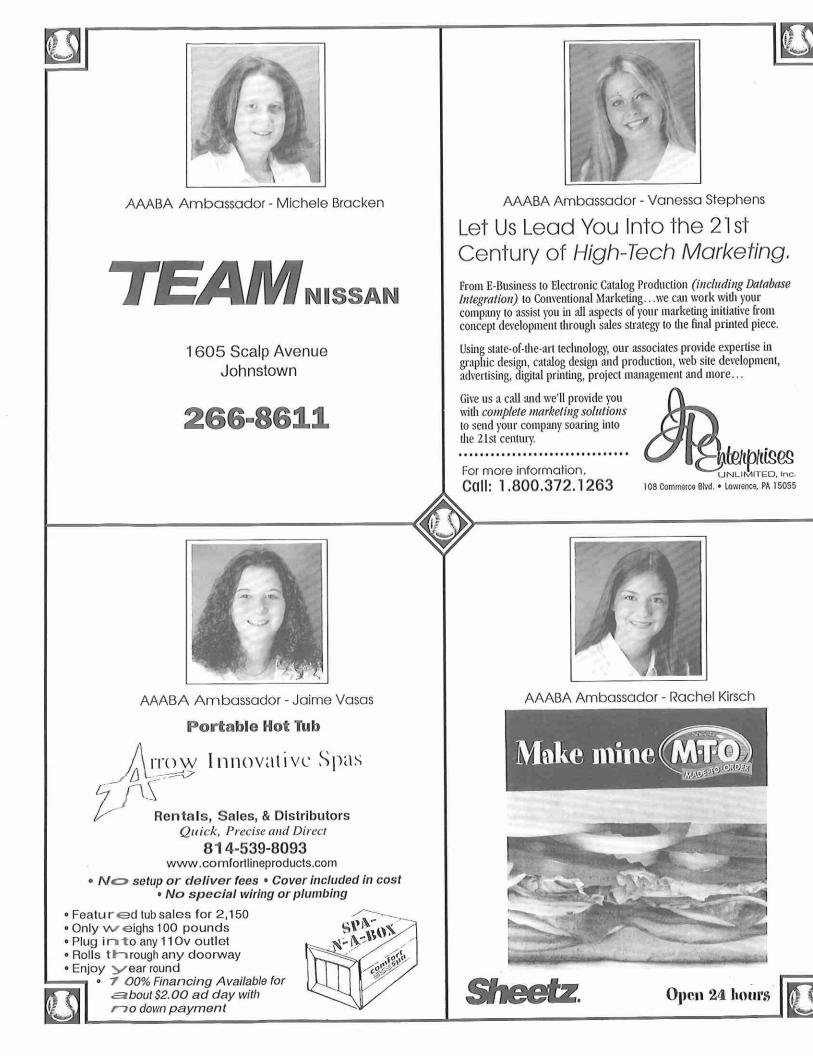
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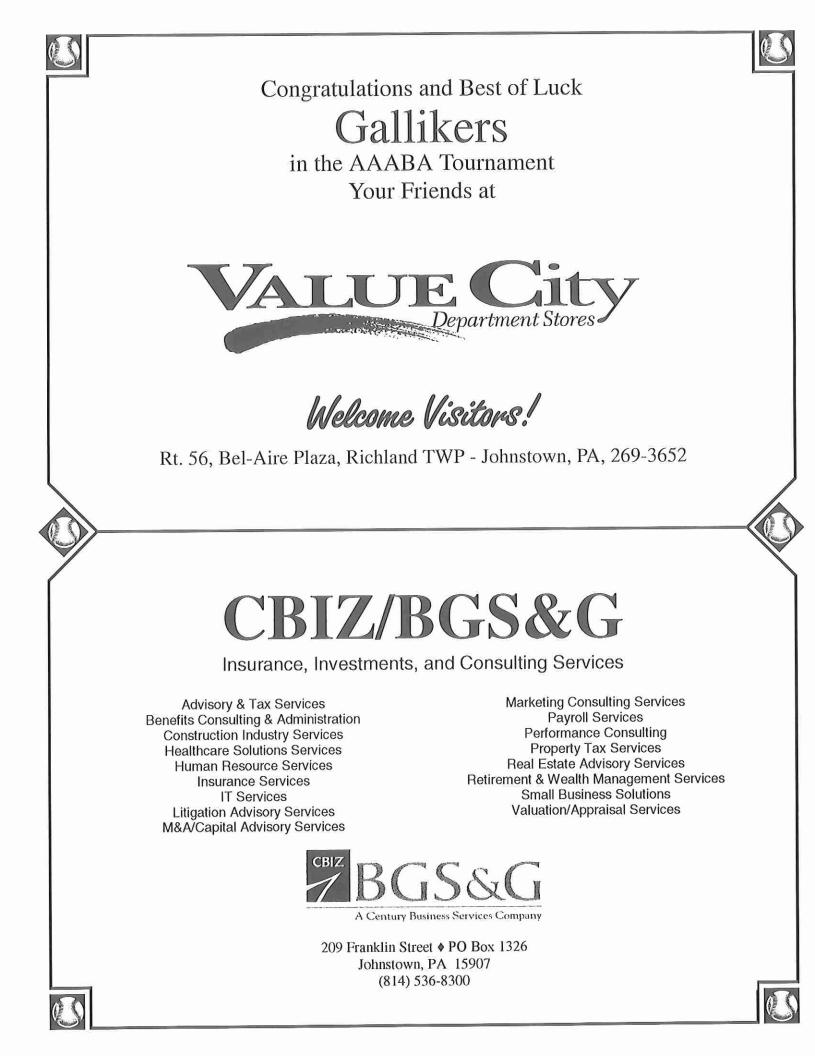
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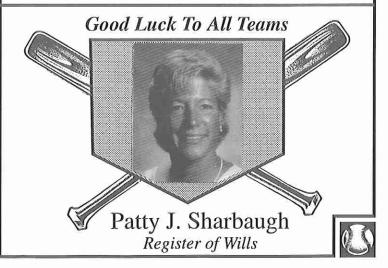
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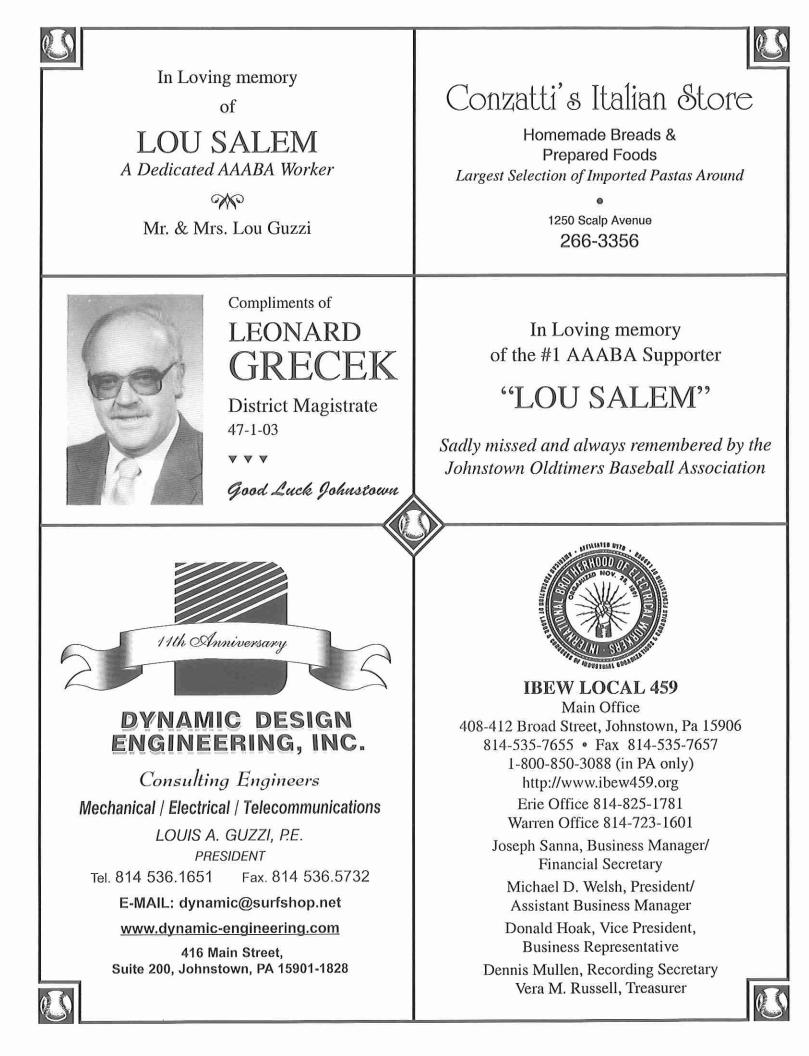


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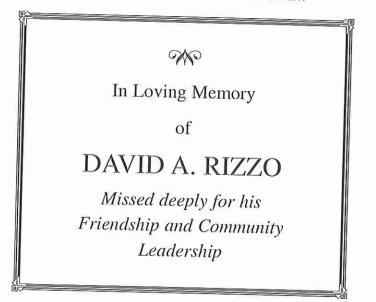




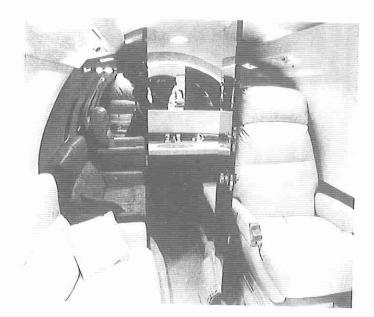
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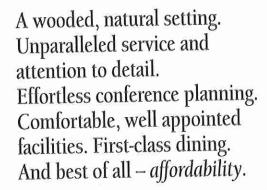








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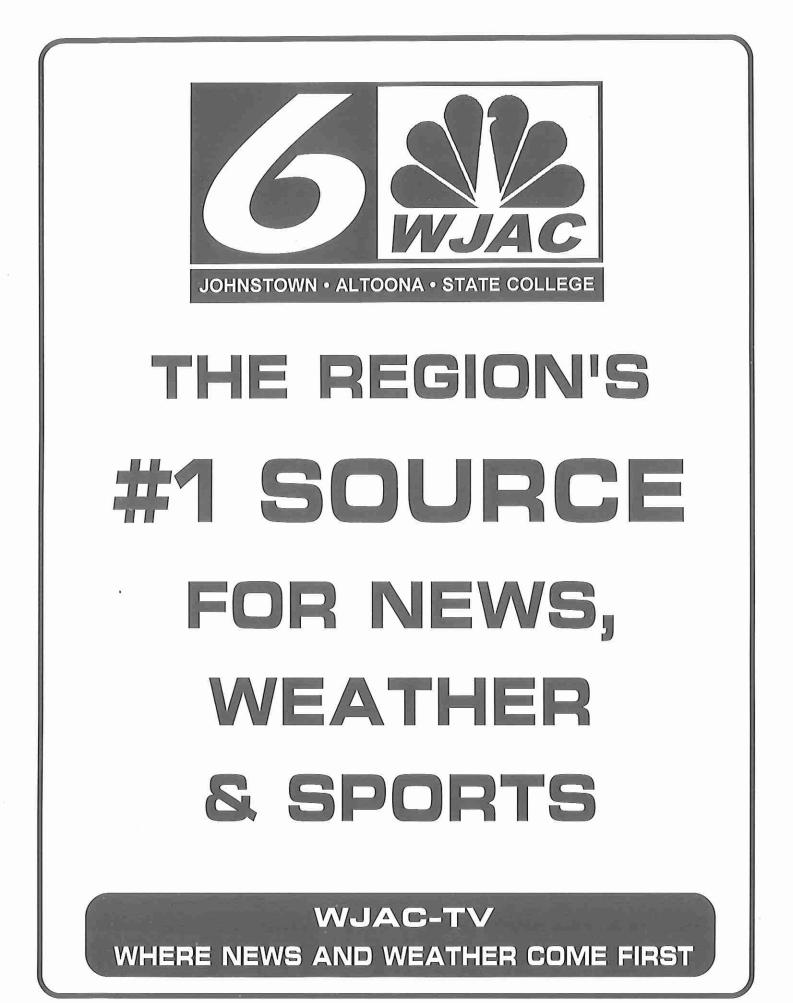
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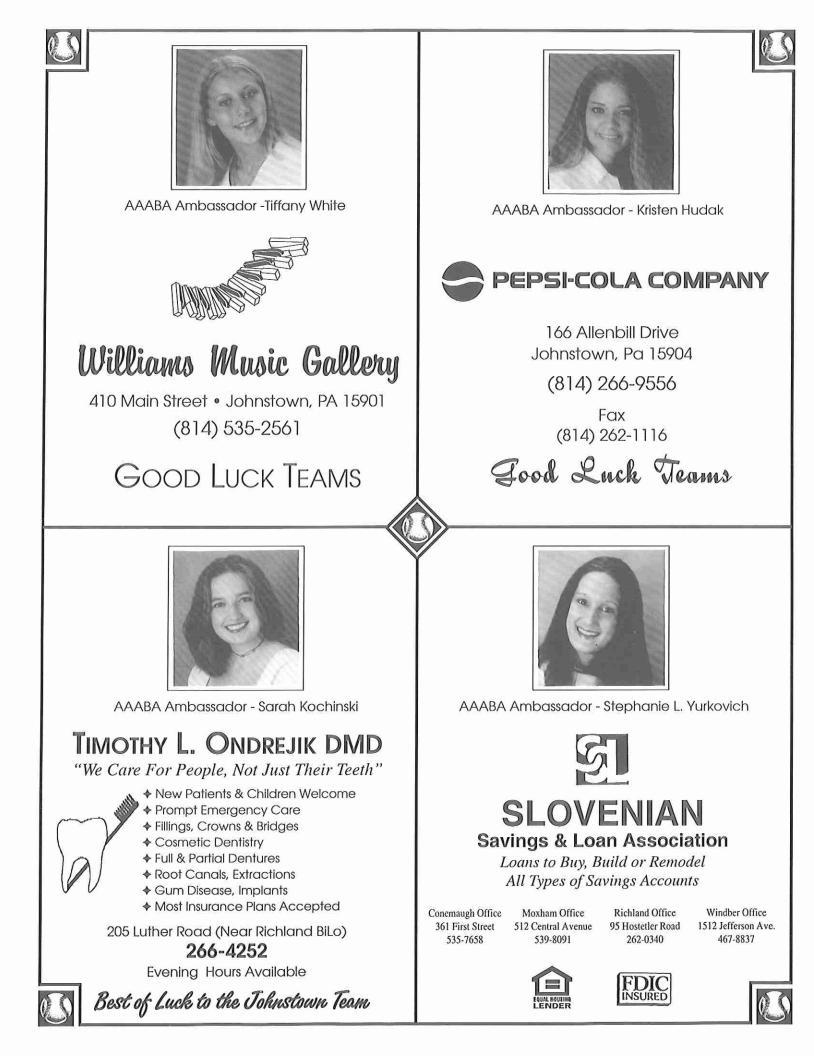


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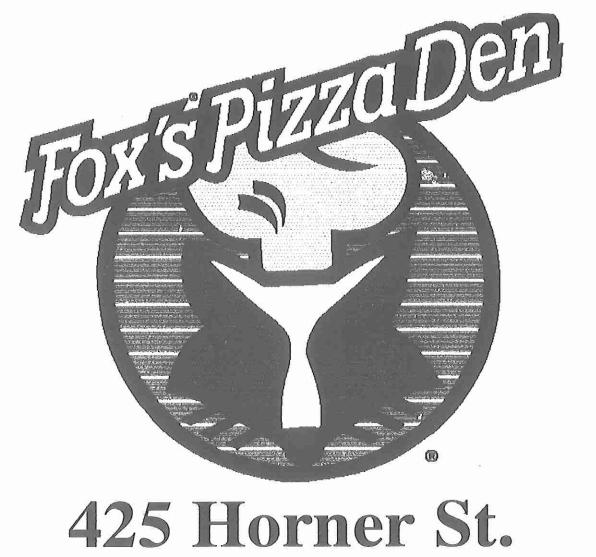
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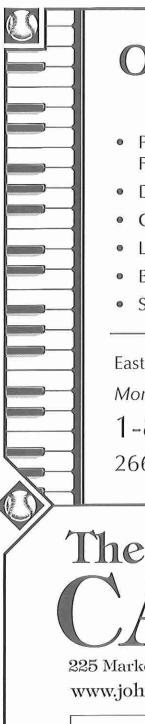


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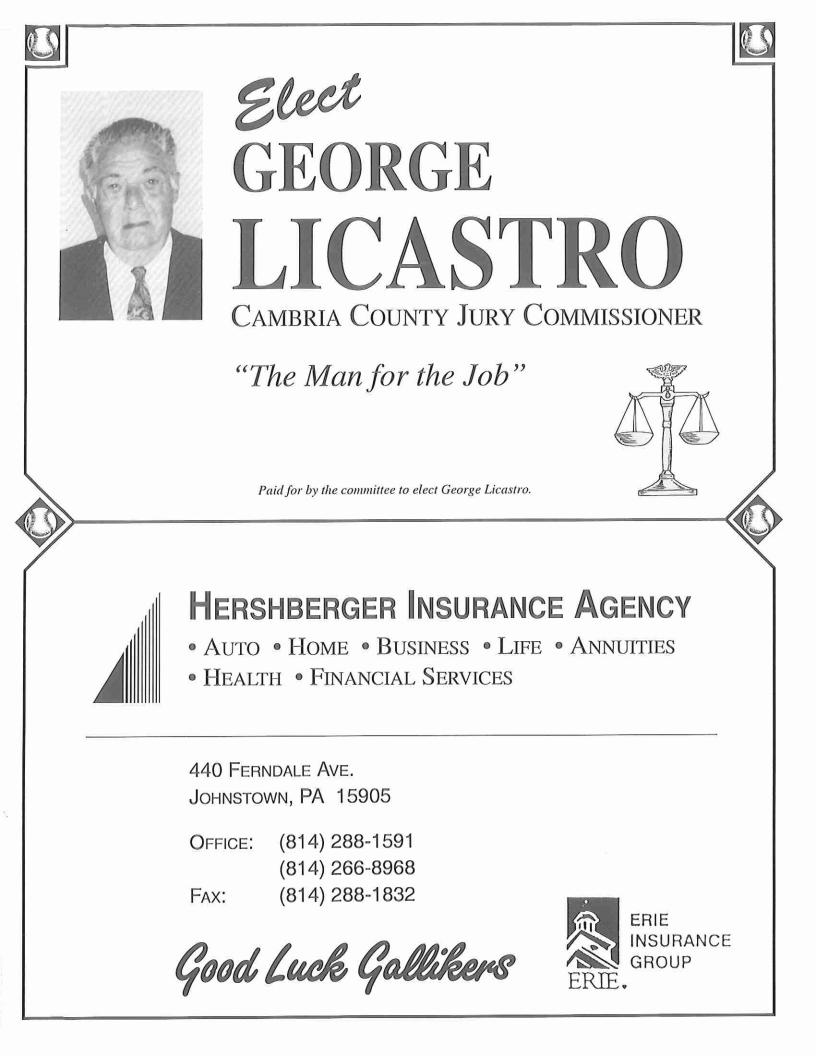


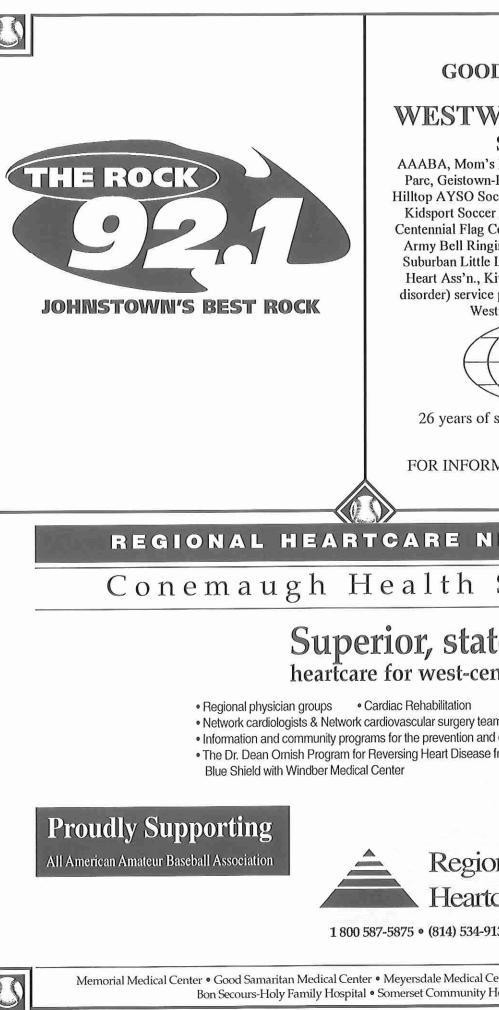
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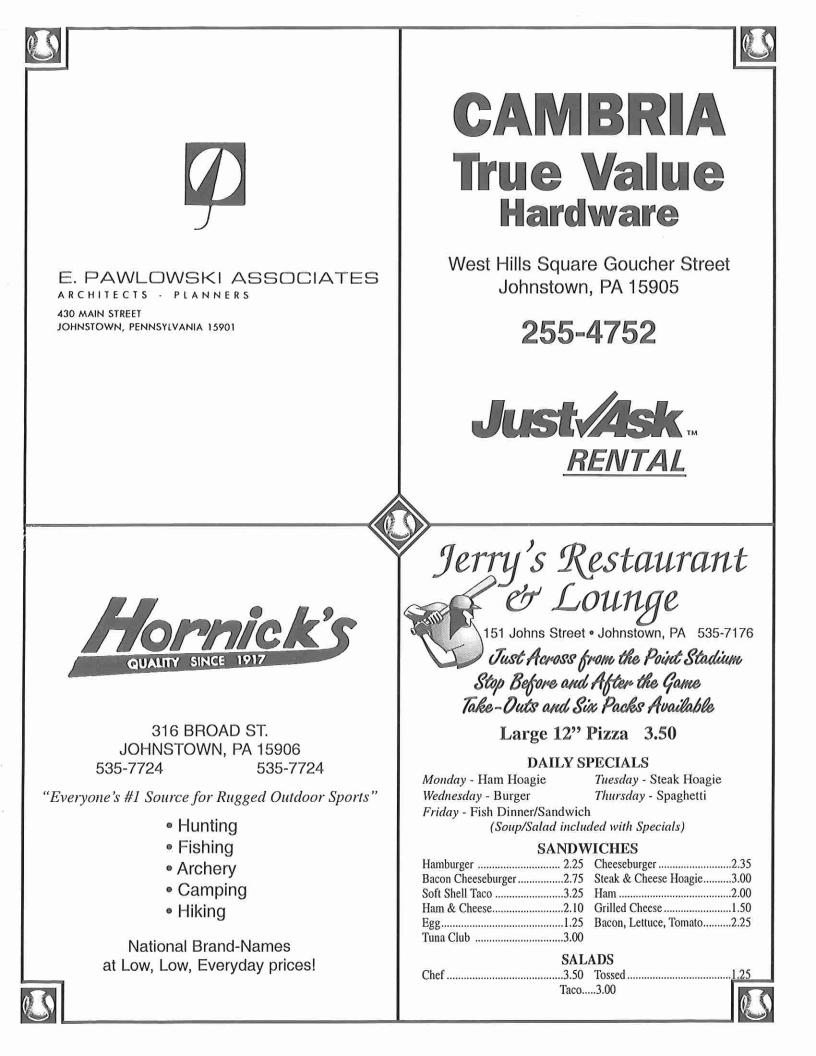
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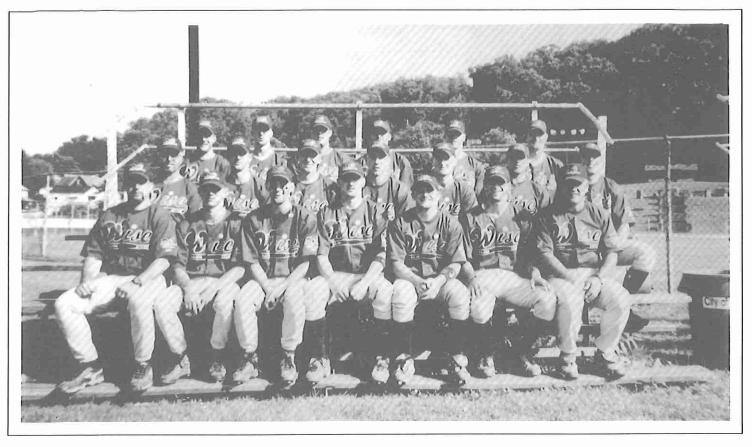
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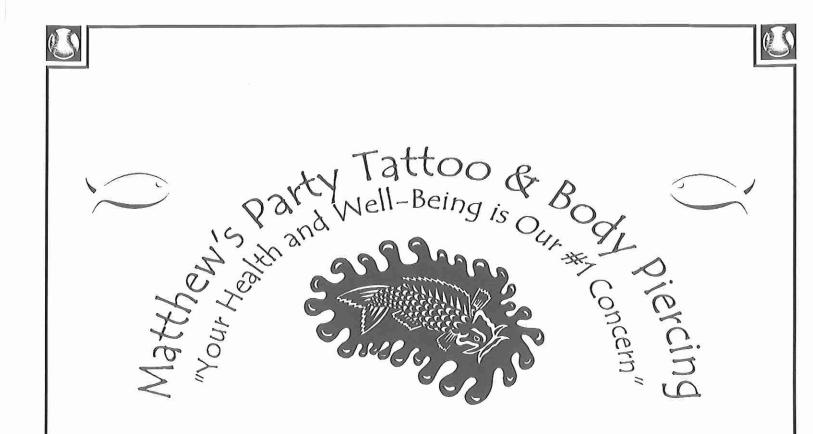
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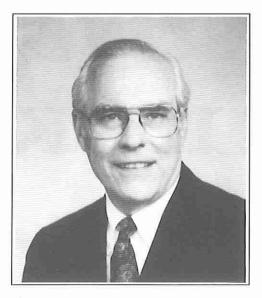
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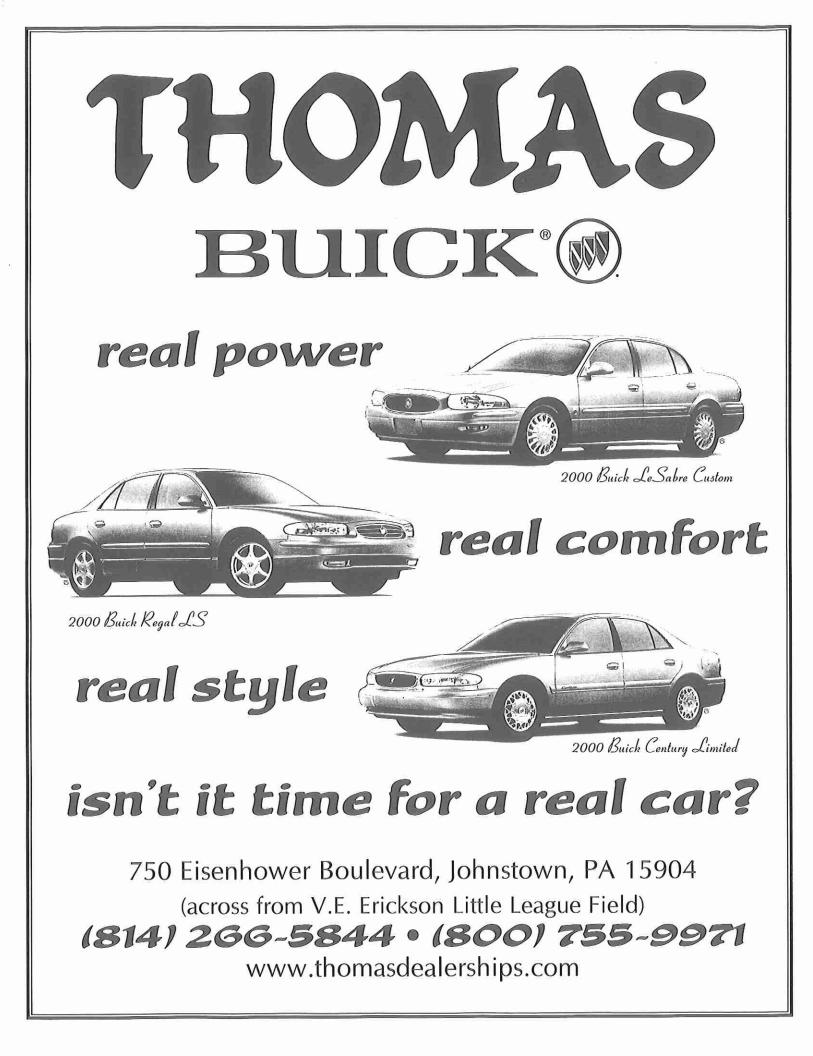


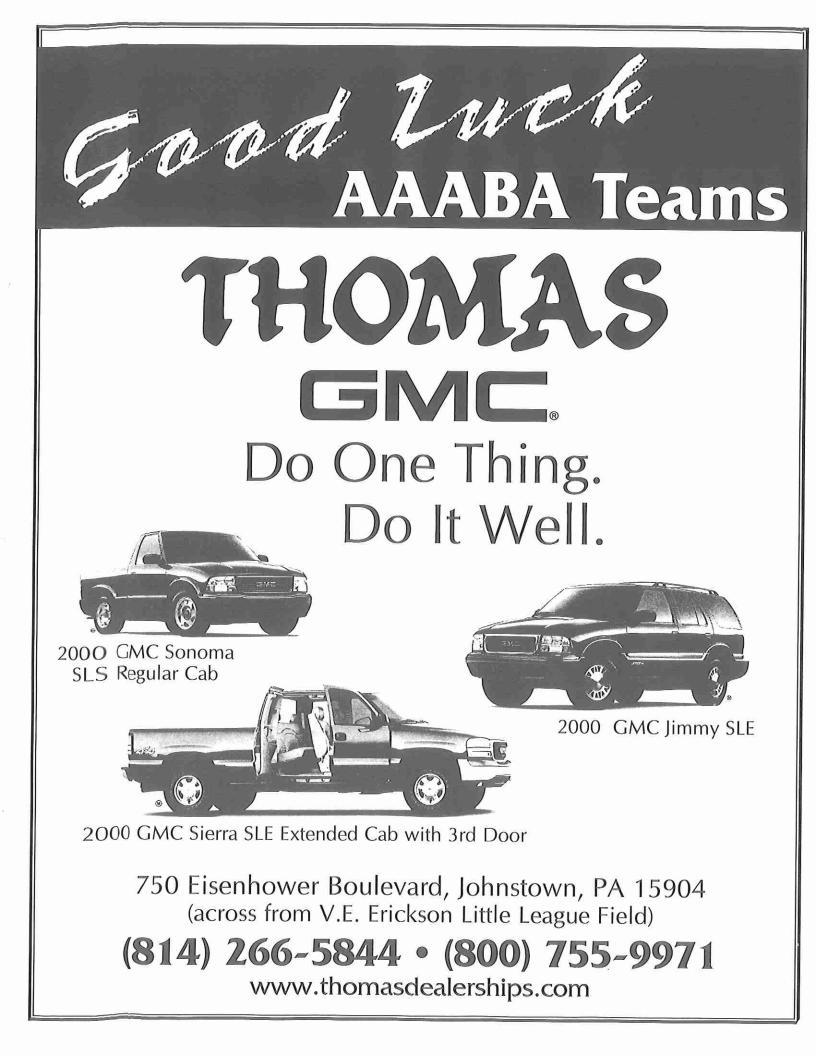
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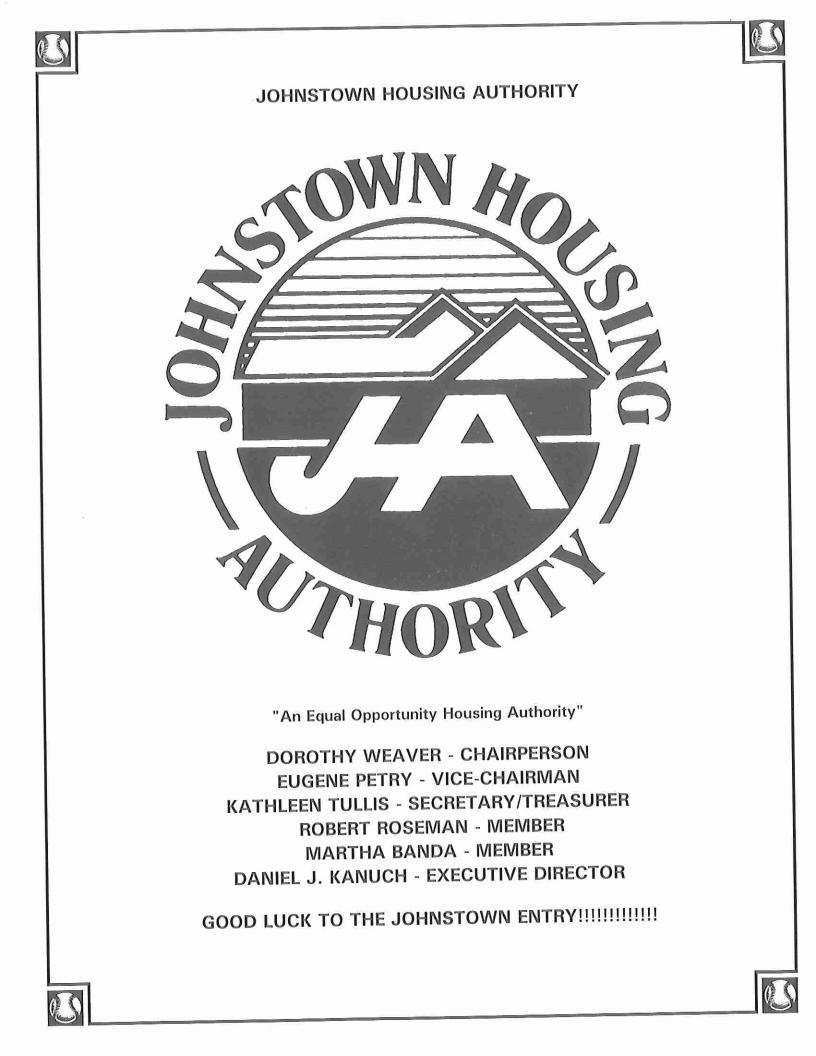


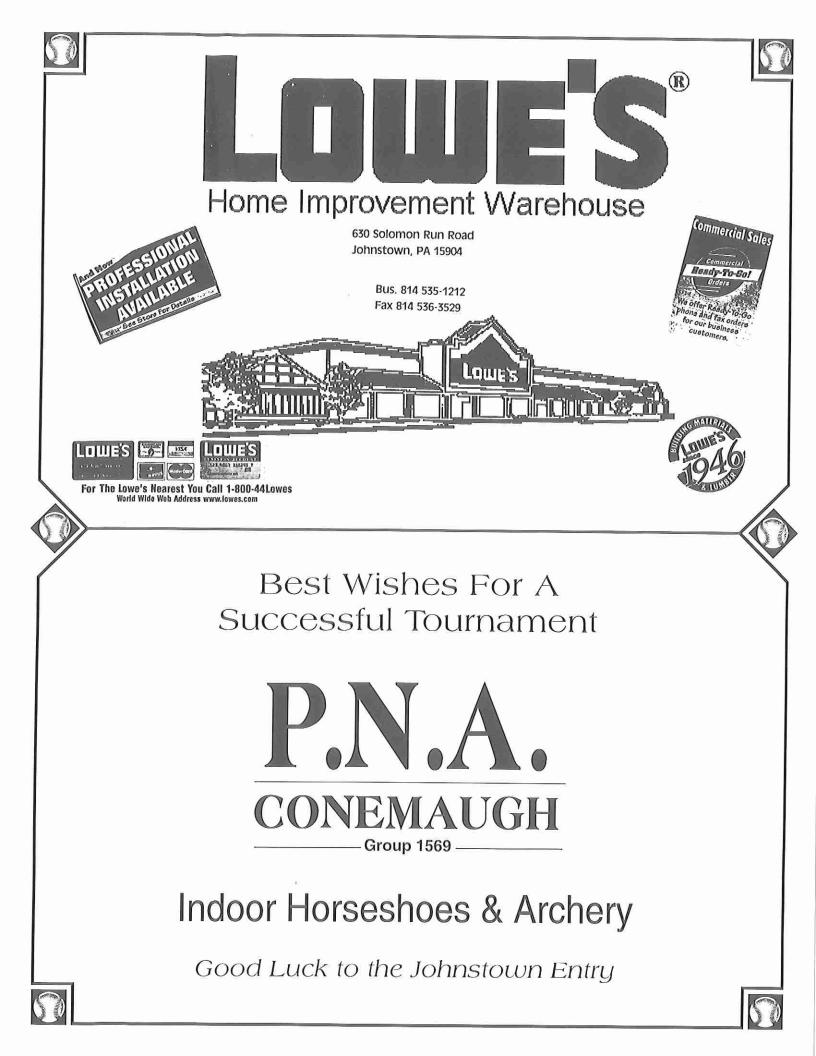
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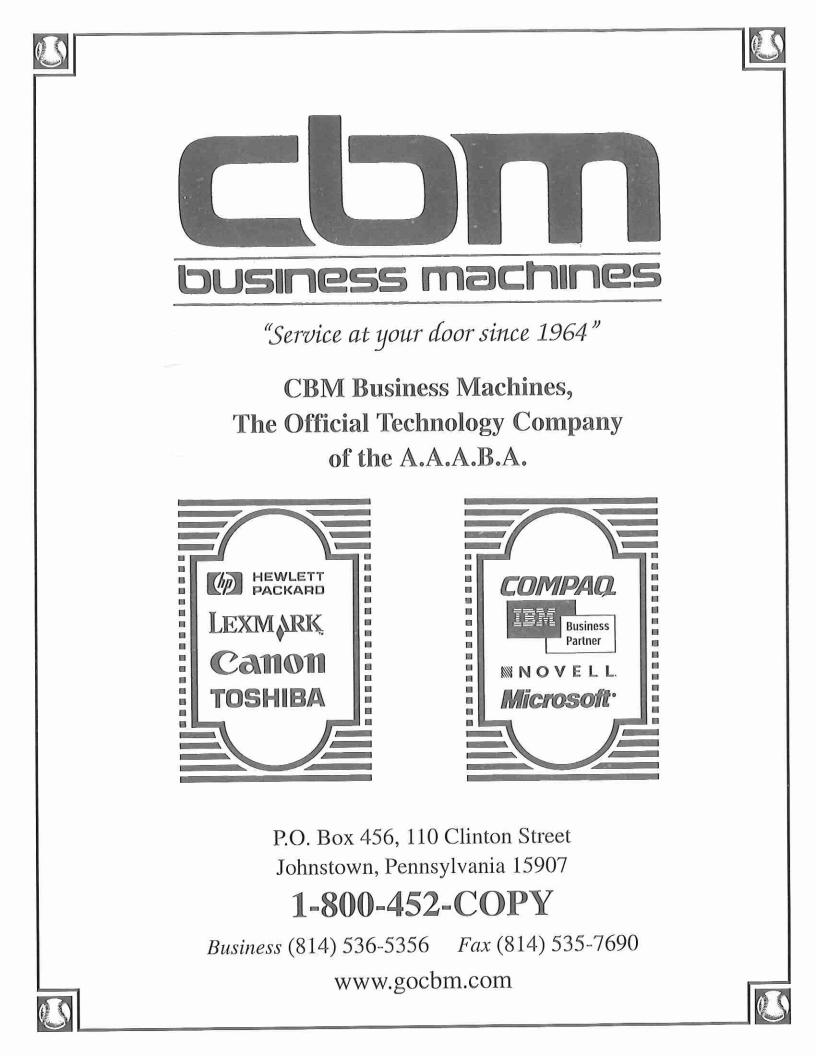
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Man had passion for baseball Friendship with Pirates star lasted decades

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Louis A. Salem of Conemaugh, who had a passion for baseball and politics, died Saturday May 20, 2000 at Atrium Manor in downtown Johnstown. He was 91.

Mr. Salem, known to his legions of friends as Lou, was an organizer of the All-American Amateur Baseball Association Tournament, which has been held each year in Johnstown since its inception in 1945, with the exceptions of 1946 and 1977.

Mr. Salem was proud to talk of the many future major league stars he befriended while they competed in the local tournament, said his daughter, Louise Peschock.

He was most proud of his friendship with the late Roberto Clemente, the Pittsburgh Pirates star who was killed on New Year's Day in 1972 when his plane crashed on a mercy mission to help earthquake victims in Nicaragua, Mrs. Peschock said in a telephone interview from her Vinco home.

Mr. Salem first saw Mr. Clemente play in 1953 while visiting Puerto Pico. The future Pirate was playing for Montreal, at the time the top farm club of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

On returning home, Mr. Salem passed along what he had seen of Mr. Clemente at a Pirates' banquet in Pittsburgh. Shortly after, two Pirates scouts were in Montreal to see Mr. Clemente, who was signed to a Pirates contract in 1955.

Mr. Salem was instrumental in Mr. Clemente's having his star-studded career in a Pittsburgh uniform, Mrs. Peschock said with pride in her voice.

She said Mr. Clemente and his wife, Vera, named their oldest son after her father.

Mr. Salem played first base in the PNA and Bethlehem Steel baseball leagues. His daughter said he turned down a chance to play first base for the former St. Louis Browns major league team in the 1930s because he did not want to uproot his wife and children for the \$75 a month the team was offering him to play.

Mr. Salem played a key role in starting a Little League in East Conemaugh Borough in 1950 and coached the team that won the league's first championship.

Mr. Salem was born in the Dominican Republic, which was and still is a baseball hotbed. His Lebanese parents had settled there for a time, with Mr. Salem born April 7, 1909, in Santo Domingo.

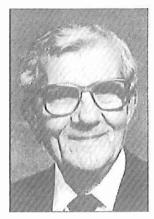
Mr. Salem was induced into the Pennsylvania Voter Hall of Fame in 1988 for voting in 50 consecutive general elections. But he went beyond that criteria, voting in every primary and special election.

His voting record remained unblemished. He cast his ballot in the spring primary, Mrs. Peschock said.

The Dominican Republic was a dictatorship when her father was born there, Mrs. Peschock said. She said he recalled soldiers with rifles on every street corner.

That is why he cherished his opportunities to vote, she said. He began voting, registering as a Democrat, after receiving his American citizenship in 1938. He remained a Democrat all of his life.

He was involved in local politics, starting as a committeeman in East Conemaugh Borough's Precinct No. 1. He later served for six years on East Conemaugh Borough Council and for 20 years on what then was East Conemaugh School Board.



Louis A. Salem

He was a member of many clubs and organizations throughout Cambria County.

He worked as a craneman for Bethlehem's Steel's Johnstown Plant before being hired in 1949 in the Personal Property Tax Office for Cambria County. He retired in 1974 as chief clerk.

"He was a dedicated person in whatever he would do," Mrs. Peschock said.

She said her father was mild-mannered and had the patience of Job. She said when people who needed something would seek help from her father, he responded with assistance. When he could not provide the help, he would find those who could she said.

He made it a habit to visit friends in hospitals and nursing homes, his daughter said.

She said her father continued to drive until April, when he became ill.

In addition to his daughter, mr. Salem is survived by another daughter, Shirley, of North Royalton, Ohio, widow of George Strippy; four grandchildren; and four greatgrandchildren.



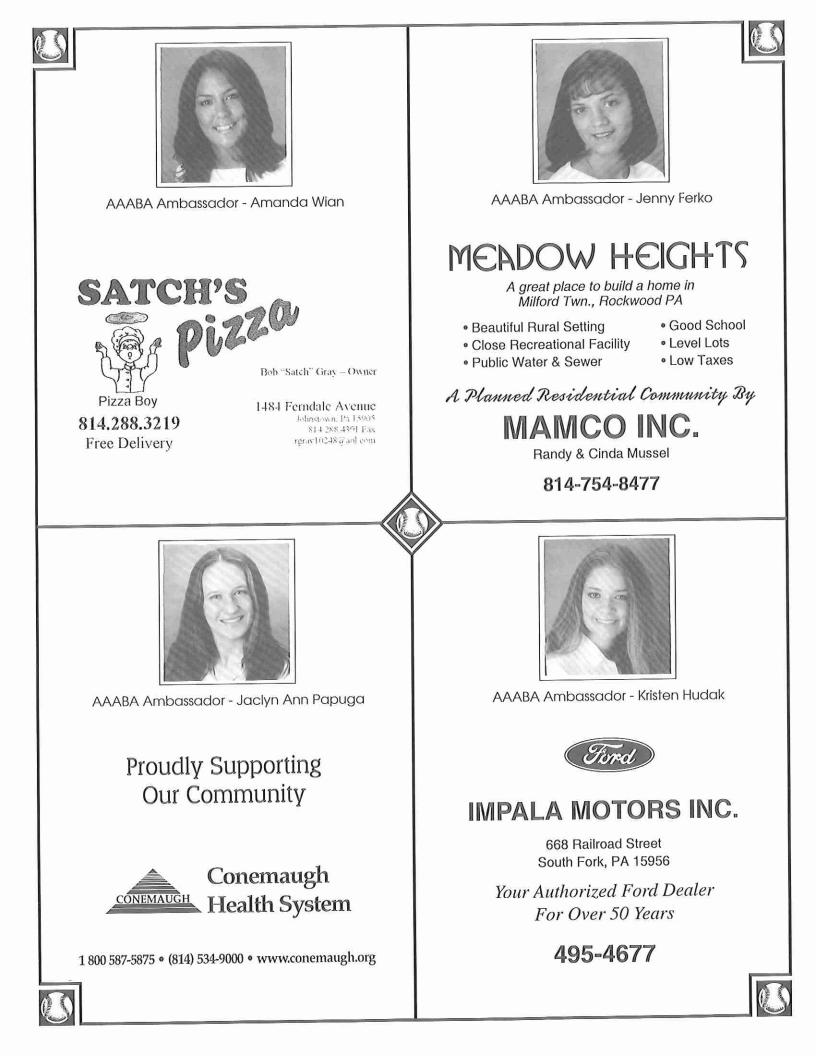


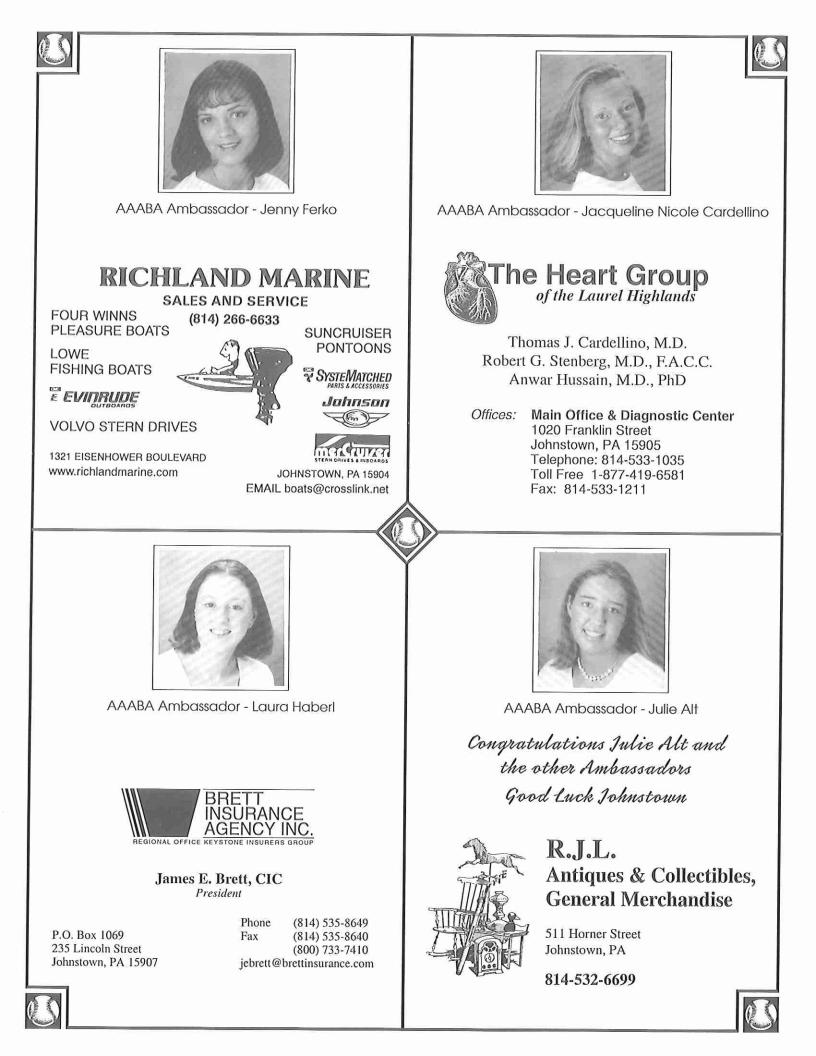
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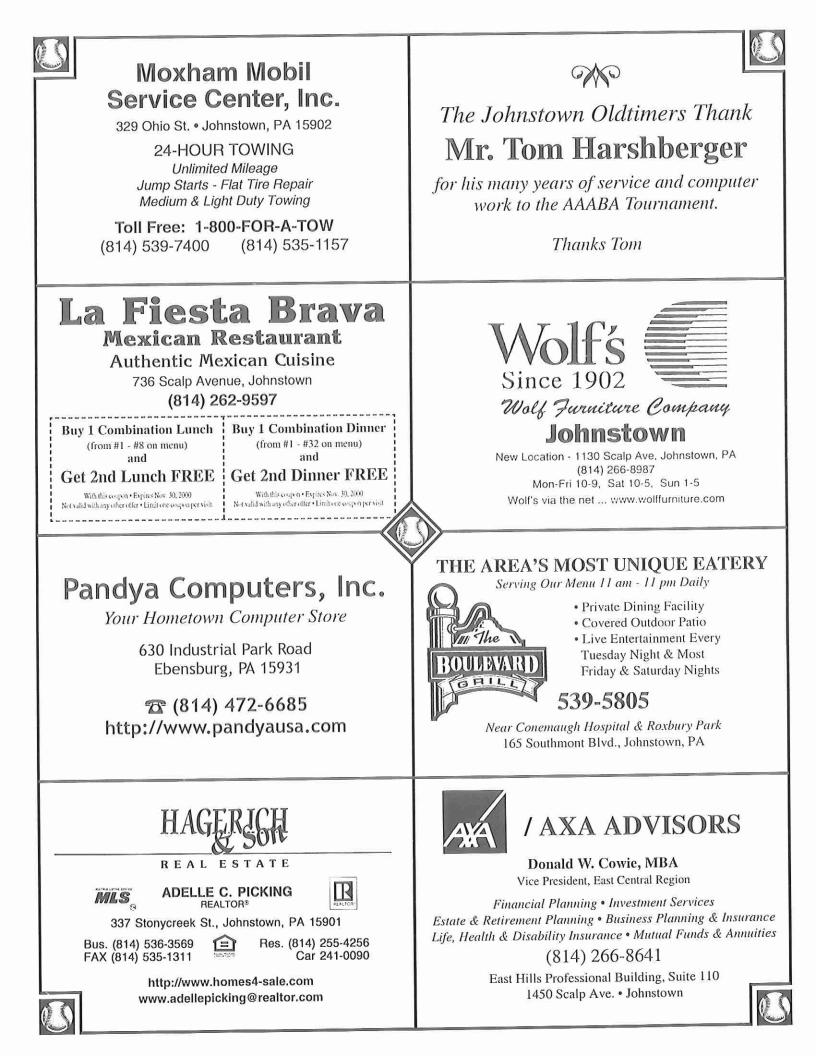
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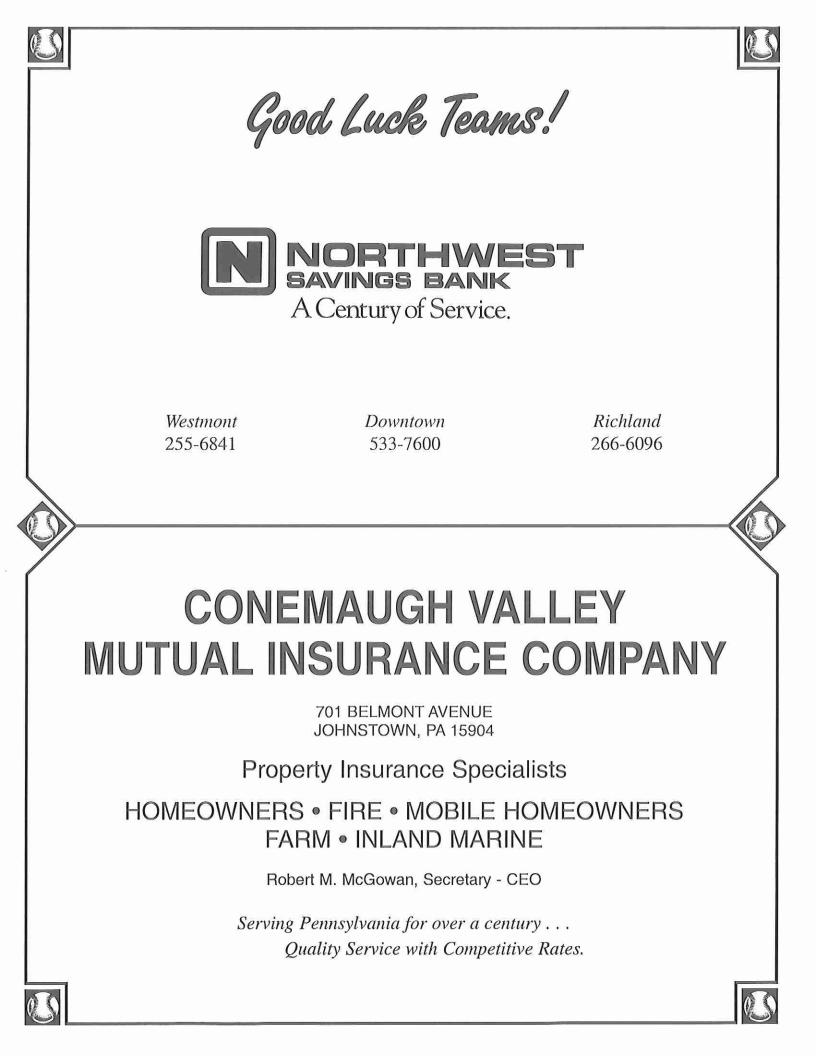
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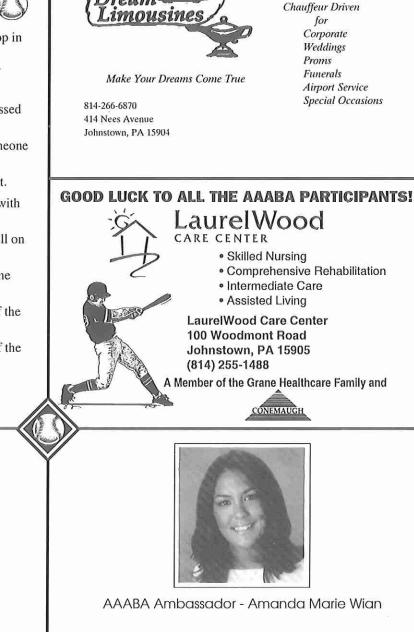
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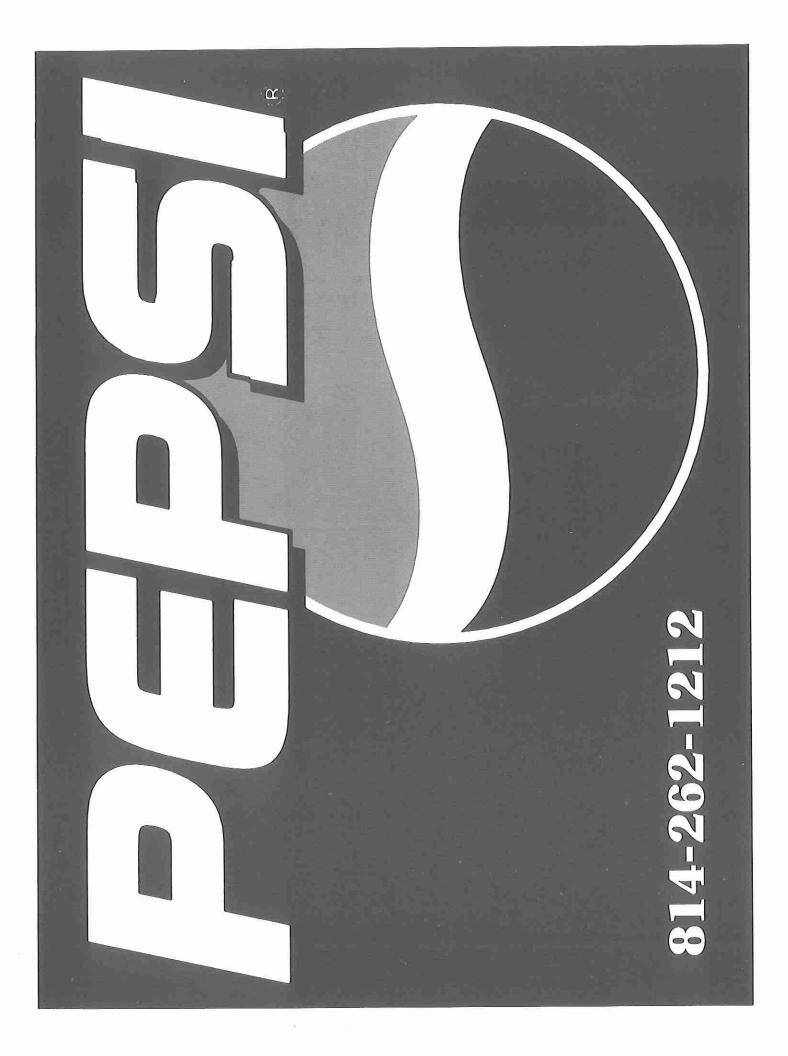
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ALL-TIME AAABA TOURNMENT TEAM STANDINGS

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Baltimore, Maryland	53	199	74	.729
Detroit, Michigan	31	120	53	.693
New Orleans, Louisiana	49	168	83	.670
Washington D.C.	51	190	91	.677
Pittsfield, Massachusetts	9	23	16	.590
Clarksburg, West Virginia	2	5	4	.556
Milford, Massachusetts	31	75	61	.552
Concord, New Hampshire	3	7	6	.538
Cincinnati, Ohio	7	15	14	.517
Amsterdam, New York	8	16	15	.516
Ann Arbor, Michigan	12	25	24	.510
Birmingham, Alabama	16	33	32	.508
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Garfield, New Jersey	i	2	2	.500
Marietta, Georgia	15	27	31	466
Livonia, Michigan	46	78	87	.473
Brooklyn, New York	18	27	36	.429
Youngstown, Ohio	41	42	82	.339
Buffalo, New York	40	69	80	.463
Maryland State	6	10	12	.454
Central Jersey	15	22	28	.440
Columbus, Ohio	23	36	46	.439
Schenectady, New York	18	23	36	.371
Lansing, Michigan		13	16	.448
Chicago, Illinois	8 55	79	110	.420
Johnstown, PA	0.707	8	12	.400
Waterbury, Connecticut	6	41	63	.392
Pittsburgh PA	32	56	88	.389
New York City, N.Y.	45	10	16	.385
Harrisburg, PA	8	10	18	.357
Cleveland, Ohio	9	67	76	.469
Philadelphia, PA	36	19	36	.345
Allentown, PA	18		54	.334
New Brunswick, NJ	27	27	2	.333
Nassau, New York	1	1	2	.333
Johnstown, PA (runnerup)	1	1 40	82	.328
Zanesville, Ohio	41		22	.313
Holyoke, Massachusetts	11	10	50	.334
Altoona, Pennsylvania	25	25	12	.294
Clifton, New Jersey	6	5		.234
Mt. Pleasant, Michigan	4	3	8 12	.275
Toronto, Canada	6	4	6	.250
Indianapolis, Indiana	3	2		.231
Springfield, Mass	5	3	10	.200
Chicago (So. Shore IL)	2	1	4	.138
Fort Wayne, Indiana	8	3	16	.138
Elmira, New York	3	1	6	.143
Cambria County, PA	3	1	6	.000
Newark, Ohio	4	0	8	.000
Wilkes Barre, PA	3	0	6	.000
Binghamton, New York	1	0	2	.000
Patterson, New Jersey	1	0	2	.000
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Bristol, Tenn-Virginia	1	0	2	.000
Elk Co., Pennsylvania	3	2	0	.000
Cranston, Rhode Island	0	0	0	.000

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ALL-TIME AAABA TOURNAMENT INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

BATTING - 800 Don Szen, Buffalo, 8 for 10 in 3, 1951. HITS - (one game) - 6 - Mike Culotta, New Orleans, 1969 Guy Hubert, New Orleans, 1979. Jim Leyritz, Detroit, 1983 Mark Leavitt, New Brunswick, 1985 HITS - 19, Joe Burnett. New Orleans, 1988. RUNS (one game) - 7, Mark Piehlman, Baltimore, 1976 RUNS BATTED IN (one game) - 9, John Orkis, Columbus, Ohio, 1978. RUNS BATTED IN - 23, Jim Crowley, Baltimore, 1989. (22 team field). 16, Jim Crowley, Baltimore, 1990. (16 team field). RUNS BATTED IN - 17, Steve Bourgeois, New Orleans, (16 team field). **STOLEN BASES** - (one game) - 5, Ron Golebiewski, Pittsburgh, 1962 Derek Lee, Washington, DC, 1985 STOLEN BASES - 10, Jeff Grantz, Baltimore, 1972. TWO BASE HITS - 7 - Art Cleassures, Baltimore, 1957. THREE BASE HITS - 4 - Art Ciany, New York City, 1977 Brian Stemberger, Detroit, 1977 HOME RUNS - 6 Bob Verseen. Maryland State, 1982 PITCHERS WINS - - 4 - Steve Mura, New Orleans, 1974, (all in relief). STRIKEOUTS (one game) - 24 -Roger Bowman, (twice) Amsterdam, 1945 Arnold Umbach, Birmingham, 1960. STRIKEOUTS - 71 - Roger Bowman (27-1/3 inns.) Amsterdam, 1945. BASE ON BALLS (one game) - 12 -Gene Pentz, Johnstown, 1970. BASE ON BALLS - 22 - Howie Stethers, Washington DC, 1960. NO HIT NO RUN GAMES - 5 - 1950 Hugh Waln, Washington DC, 1, Johnstown 0. 1960 Arnold Umbach, Birmingham 5, Johnstown 0. Howie Stethers, Washington DC 8, Baltimore 0. 1969 Bob Grossman, Washington DC 8, Maryland St, 0. 1973 Joe Kerrigan and Charles Porter, Baltimore 20, Newark, Ohio, 0.

AAABA TEAM RECORDS

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BATTING - Baltimore .422 (six games) 1990. FIELDING - Zanesville, 1,000 (2 games) 1963. HITS (one game) - 28 - New Orleans - 1981. TEAM HITS - 126, Baltimore, 1989 total RUNS (one game) - 29 - Baltimore, 1976. RUNS - 98 - Baltimore, 1989. RUNS BATTED IN (one game) - 25 -Baltimore, 1976 RUNS BATTED IN - 91 Baltimore, 1990. STOLEN BASES (one game) - 10 -Maryland State 1982, Washington, DC, 1985. STOLEN BASES - 23 - Pittsfield, 1952. TWO BASE HITS - 23 - Baltimore, 1989. THREE BASE HITS - 12 - Detroit, 1964. HOME RUNS (one game) - 10 -Washington DC, 1978. HOME RUNS - 16 - Baltimore, 1990. DOUBLE PLAYS (one game) -New York City, 5, 1988. DOUBLE PLAYS - 14 - Philadelphia, 1986. TRIPLE PLAYS - Schenectady, 1955; Clifton, 1961 Pittsburgh, 1965; Birmingham, 1975 Columbus, 1980 Lansing, 1985 Altoona, 1994. ERRORS - (one game) - 14 - Windber, 1947 ERRORS - 24 - Milford, 1959, Brooklyn, 1963. RUNS - (one inning) - 17 -New Orleans, 1979. SHUTOUTS - 3 - Birmingham, 1960; Baltimore. 1973 & 1977, Milford, 1978 SHORTEST NINE INNING GAME - 1:40 -Baltimore 1-0 over Detroit 1973. LONGEST NINE INNING GAME - 4 hours 19 mins. Youngstown 17, Johnstown 16, 1983. LONGEST GAME - (time and innings) - 4:45 15 innings - Maryland State 7, Buffalo 3 - 1985. CHAMPIONSHIPS - Baltimore - 20 (five in a row 1979 to 1983) 14 of last 19.

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AAABA Tourney Swings to Wood Bats v

BY MIKE MASTOVICI THE TRIBUNE-DEMOCRAT

The crack of the bat will return to the All American Amateur Baseball Association Tournament in August.

The national tournament will switch to wooden bats instead of aluminum during the 56th annual tournament, beginning on August 7 in Johnstown. The AAABA's national board voted to make the move during its meeting last weekend in Hollywood, Fla.

"I'm excited to see how the tournament comes out with the wooden bats," said outgoing AAABA national president John Austin of Altoona. "It's getting back to the way baseball should be played. From our experience in Altoona, using the wooden bats, I think the scores are going to be lower and the quality of play will be better. They are baseball scores now, not football scores."

Like Altoona, the Johnstown AAABA League already had switched to wooden bats for regular-season play in 1999, a move that made the league more competitive from top to bottom. Other AAABA franchises, such as threetime defending tournament champion Washington, D.C., have had success using wooden bats instead of aluminum during the summer.

Now teams participating at two AAABA regional tournaments and the national tournament will be required to use wooden bats.

"A lot of the decision was based on the fact that major league scouts like to look for prospects using wood bats," said Bob Wolfe, the AAABA national secretary and executive director, during a telephone interview from Florida, "The other main reason was to eliminate potential injuries resulting from the use of aluminum bats."

Hitters are at an advantage using the lighter aluminum bats. Baseballs typically are hit with more velocity coming off an aluminum bat.

The use of wooden bats will bring back fundamental baseball, Wolfe said. The disadvantage is the additional cost to replace wooden bats that break during the course of a season. One aluminum bat might last for years.

"If you're operating a team, this will add \$1,000 to your operation," Wolfe said.

In other developments at the league meetings:

An AAABA franchise has been added in Cincinnati, Ohio, Wolfe said. The Cincinnati team will compete in regional play with an opportunity to advance to Johnstown.

"They haven't been in the AAABA for years," Wolfe

said of Cincinnati, whose last appearance at Johnstown was in 1983.

"They used to come here years ago, but their sponsor died. Now they have a new sponsor."

Previously, Cincinnati appeared in seven tournaments and had a 15-14 record.

There will be two fourteam regional tournaments this season instead of the eight-team regional qualifier held in Altoona.



Altoona still will host a

regional, but there also will be a four-team regional in Schenectady, N.Y.

"With two regionals, it doesn't make one franchise have to go out and raise all the money," Austin said, "It makes it easier on us as far as fundraising. It's split up."

Altoona held eight-team regionals in 1999, 1996, 1995 and 1993. In 1998 both Zanesville and Altoona had fourteam regionals, and in 1997, Schenectady and Altoona were regional sites.

■ Wolfe announced the five inductees to the AAABA Hall of Fame Class of 2000.

They are Chester Goisovich, a longtime umpire from Johnstown; Austin, a past AAABA president and promoter of the Altoona AAABA franchise and regional tournament; George Arcurio III, a tireless tournament committee member responsible for overseeing numerous aspects of the national tournament each year; Vincent "Cookie" Lorenzo, a past national president and part of the Brooklyn franchise; and Jim Abbott, a former Detroit franchise pitcher who struck out 15 Johnstown batters in a 1986 game. Abbott, who was born without a right hand, had an inspirational career in the major leagues with the Anaheim Angels, Chicago White Sox, New York Yankees and Milwaukee Brewers.

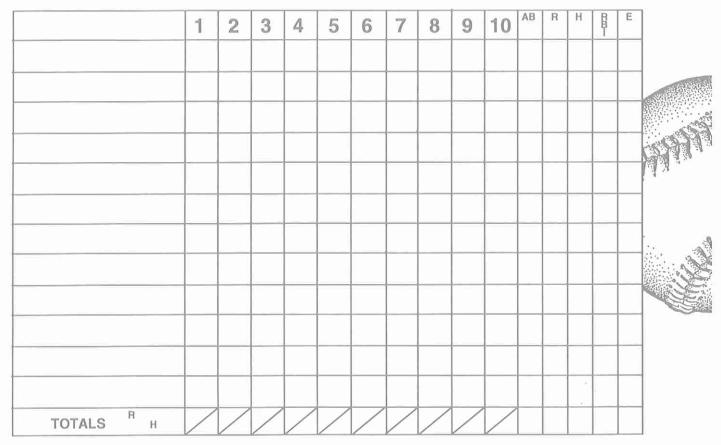
The 200 officers are: president Dave Niro of Milford, Mass; first vice president Bob Mingo of Youngstown, Ohio; second vice president George Arcurio III of Johnstown; third vice president Doug Poilock of Zanesville, Ohio; treasurer Bill Fertitta; and Wolfe. Altoona's Austin completed his term as president.



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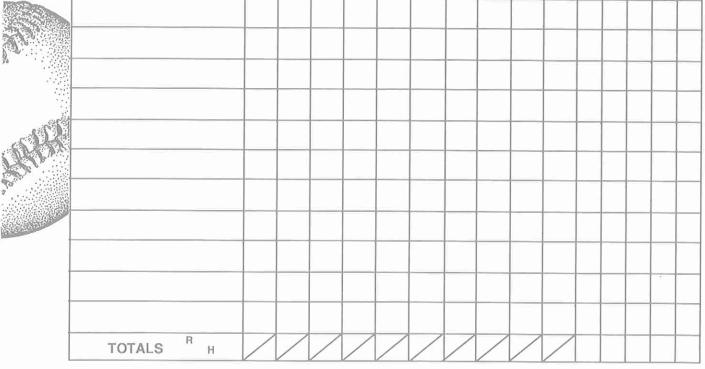
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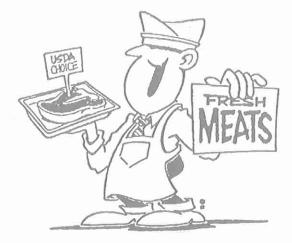




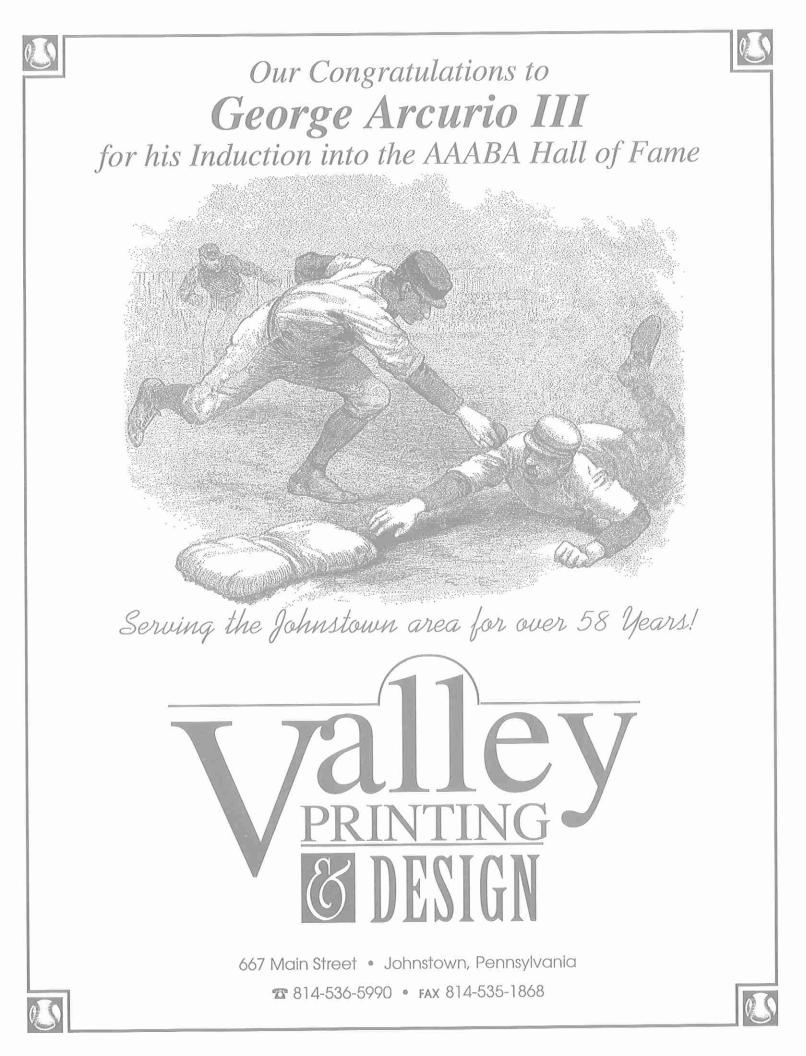
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1959 - Larry Nichols, Birmingham,	12
1960 - Paul Ciatti, Washington, D.C.	8
1961 - Wayne Pietri, New Orleans	13
1962 - Kevin Mahoney, Washington, D.C.	10
196e - Joel Dobrynski, New Brunswick	11
1964 - Bob Speer, Detroit	14
1965 - Mike Reilly, Pittsburgh	10
1966 - Glenn Redmon, Detroit	13
1967 - Wayne Scrivener, Baltimore	15
1968 - Dan Baker, Washington, D.C.	10
1969 - Mike Culotta, New Orleans	11
1970 - Leslie Littlejohn, Detroit	12
1971 - Joe Lang, Buffalo	11
1972 - Mike Pulaski, Baltimore	11
1973 - Jeff Grantz, Baltimore	11
1974 - Jeff Grantz, Baltimore	11
1975 - Rick Oliveri, Buffalo	12
1976 - Bill Yarbrough, Washington	15
1977 - Len Brown, Washington	12
1978 - John Orkis, Columbus	13
1979 - Phil Warner, Baltimore	13
1980 - Chuck Coker, Baltimore	12
1981 - Renard Brown, Baltimore	13
1982 - George Flowers, Baltimore 1983 - Dale Sklar, Detroit	15
1984 - James Martin, Mandard Okak	15
1984 - James Martin, Maryland State 1985 - Gary DesJardins, New Orleans	14
- David Ward, New Orleans	11
1986 - Derek Lee, Washington, D.C.	11
1987 - Mike Sarbaugh, Baltimore	12
1988 - Mike Couture, Baltimore	15
1989 - Jim Crowley, Baltimore, 23 in 22 team	13
1990 - Jim Crowley, Baltimore, 16 in 16 team	field
1991 - Stanley Wiltz, New Orleans	Tield
1992 - Steve Bourgeois, New Orleans	17
1993 - Robo Susey, Columbus	17
1994 - John Rodriguez, Brooklyn	12 12
1995 - Brian Huges, New Orleans	14
1996 - Tom Carroll, Schenectady	13
1997 - Liam Healy, Baltimore	12
1998 - Jake Daubert, Washington	12
- Chris Krusen, Philadelphia	12
1999 - Jared Dufault, Washington	12
	14

TEAM SPORTSMANSHIP WINNERS

1956 - Milford, Mass. 1957 - Washington, D.C. 1958 - Johnstown, PA 1959 - Washington, D.C. 1960 - Birmingham, Ala. 1961 - New York City 1962 - Clifton, N.J. 1963 - Zanesville, Ohio 1964 - Pittsburgh, PA 1966 - Detroit, Mich. 1967 - Toronto, Canada 1968 - Ann arbor, Mich. 1969 - New Orleans, La. 1970 - Toronto, Canada 1971 - Schnectady, N.Y. 1972 - Allentown, Pa 1973 - Brooklyn N.Y. 1974 - Maryland State 1975 - Ann Arbor, Mich. 1976 - Cincinnati, Ohio 1977 - Altoona, PA	1978 - Milford, Mass. 1979 - New Brunswick, N.J. 1980 - Phildadelphia, PA 1981 - Columbus, Ohio 1982 - Buffalo, N.Y. 1983 - Schenectady, N.Y. 1983 - Schenectady, N.Y. 1985 - Johnstown, PA 1986 - New York City 1987 - Lansing, Mich. 1988 - Brooklyn, N.Y. 1988 - Brooklyn, N.Y. 1989 - Livonia, Mich. 1990 - Zanesville, Ohio 1991 - Milford, Mass. 1992 - New Brunswick, N.J. 1993 - Lansing, Mich. 1993 - Lansing, Mich. 1995 - Washington, D.C. 1996 - Youngstown, OH 1997 - Eik County, PA 1998 - Livonia, Mi 1999 - New York City
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MOST HITS IN TOURNAMENTS
1955 Rosky & Lopreato, Maryland State
11 each, 7 games. 1956 Treon, Washington: L. Cassidy Milford
& Bryan, New Orleans, 11 each, 7 games. 1957 Copper, Washington, 16
1958 McCall and Azar, Johnstown,
12 each, 6 games
1959 Nichols, 12 in 5 games; Cunis, Milford, 12 in 7 games.
1900 Clattl, Washington 13 in 7 games
1961 Pietri, New Orleans, 14 in 6 games. 1962 K. Mahoney Washington, 11 in 7 games.
1963 Novick, New York City, 11 in 5 games
and Swoboda, Baltimore 11 in 7 dames
1964 Wohin, Buffalo, 17 in 7 games.
1965 Cooke, Pittsburgh, 16 in 7 games. 1966 T. Davis New Orleans, 11 in 7 games.
1967 Hines, Washington and Scrivener
Baltimore, 13 each in 6 games.
1968 Balsamo, New Orleans, 13 in 6 games.
1909 Oliver, Baltimore, 13 in 7 dames
1970 S. McGugan, Washington, 13 in 6 games.
19/1 Hrapmann, New Orleans 13 in 7 games
1972 Fulk, Baltimore, 16 in 7 games
1973 Hamann, Detroit and Grantz.
Baltimore, 12 in 6 games. 1974 Tony Tours, New Orleans
1974 Tony Toups, New Orleans, 18 in 7 games.
1975 Steve Morrison, Detroit, 12 in 6 games
1970 Duke Duncan, Washington and John
Crocker, Washington 15 in 6 games. 1977 Dick Fiala, Washington 12 in 6 games
1977 Dick Fiala, Washington, 12 in 6 games. 1978 Mike Olejarz, Detroit, 17 in 7 games.
1979 11 each - Dixon, Columbus in 4 games
Hubert and DeLaune, New Orleans
In 6 dames: Seid and Nash
Detroit in 7 games. 1980 Dave Spalt, Baltimore, 12 in 6 games.
1981 Renard Brown, Baltimore,
16 in 7 games.
1982 Ron Russell, Milford, 15 in 7 games.
1983 Jim Leyritz, Detroit, 18 in 7 games. 1984 Ron Mariany New Orleans
1984 Ron Marigny, New Orleans, 12 in 7 games.
1985 Dan Raley, Baltimore and Mike Weglein
Maryland State, each 14 in 6 games
1986 Bob Helm, Philadelphia, 12 in 7 games. 1987 Mike Sarbaugh Baltimore
1987 Mike Sarbaugh, Baltimore, 13 in 6 games.
1988 Joe Burnett, New Orleans.
19 in 7 games. 1989 Mike Bradley, Chicago, 17 in 6 games
1991 Lou Merloni, Milford, 16
1992 Brad Burckel, New Orleans, 14
1993 Thom Denney, Columbus, 16 1994 Julio Lugo, Brooklyn, 13
Bohert Ganroy Altoone 19
Stacey Kleiner, Altoona, 13
1995 Brian Hughes, New Orleans, 16
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TOURNAMENT BATTING CHAMPIONS Year Player and Team AB H Avg.

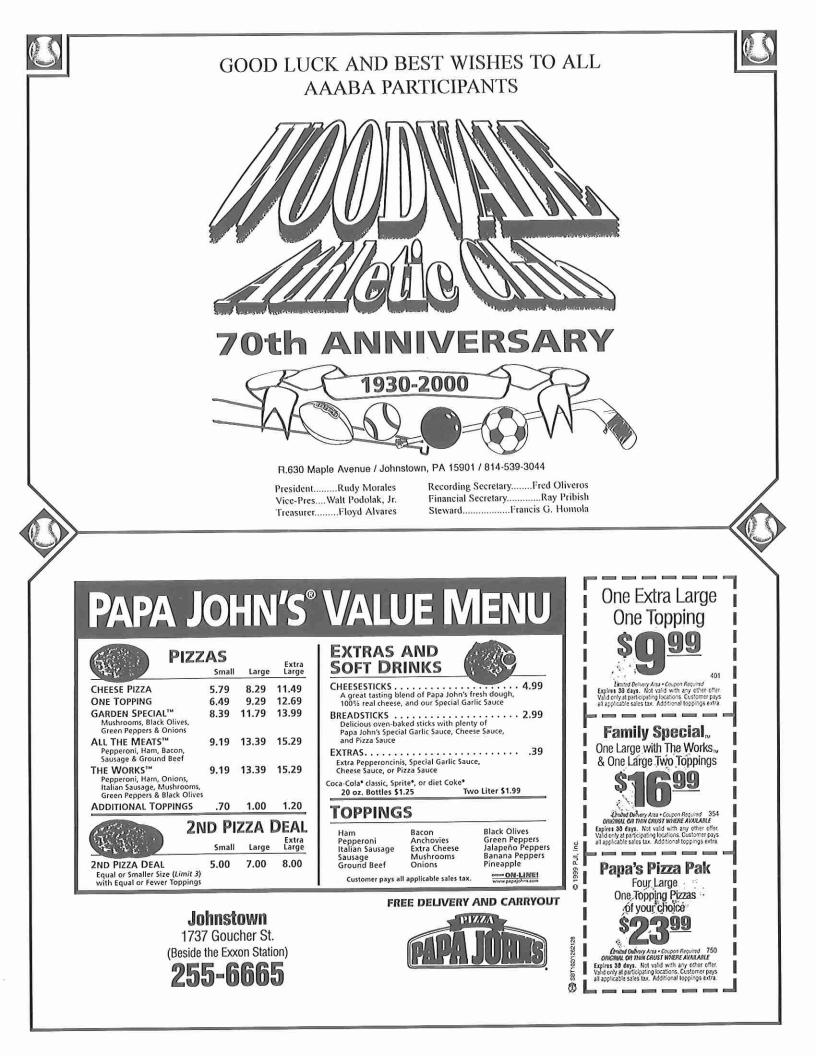
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Year	Player and Team	AB	Н	Avg.	
1945	Jerry Srevick, Md. State	21	11	.524	
1946	Bob Schultz, Brooklyn	13	8	.615	
1947	Pat O'Neill, Washington	24	15	.625	
1948	Ray King, New Orleans	15	9	.600	
1949	Frank Torre, Brooklyn	20	11	.550	
1950	Bill Maskill, Md. State	12	7	.583	
1951	Don Szen, Buffalo	10	8	.800	
1952	Charles Garivaltis, Pittsfield	29	14	.483	
1953	Charles Garivaltis, Pittsfield	16	10	.625	
1954	Tony Salem, Johnstown	12	8	.667	
1955	Gene White, Milford	11	7	.636	
1956	Louis Shiavo, Schenectady	14	9	.643	
1957	Frank Copper, Washington	26	16	.615	
1007	James Goodwin, Birmingham	13	8	.615	
1958	Joe Torre, Brooklyn	17	11	.647	
1959	Larry Nichols, Birmingham	20	12	.600	
1960	Wayne Pietri, New Orleans	12	6	.500	
1961	Larry Anderson, Birmingham	20	13	.680	
1962	Ray Papania, Pittsburgh	15	8	.533	1
1963	Jim Barfield, Birmingham	12	8	.667	
1964	Jim Monin, Buffalo	29	17	.586	
1965	Gene Bracken, New Orleans	14	9	.643	
1966	Bob Lawrence, Altoona	10	6	.600	
1967	Charles Hines, Washington	26	13	.500	
1907	Frank Cipot, New Brunswick	20	10	.500	
1968	Mike Eden, Detroit	16	10	.625	
1969	Jeff Harris, Zanesville	16	10	.625	
1909		14	9	.643	
1970	Bill Daniel, Washington	12	6	.500	
1972	Zigmond Brown, New Brunswich		6	.545	
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1974		14	8	.571	
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1998		24			
1990		26			
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MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS

951 - Bill Tanner, Baltimore, pitcher
952 - Bob Brennan, Holvoke, outfielder-pitcher
953 - Tony Chirmento, New Orleans, pitcher
954 - Ron Abel, New Orleans,
second baseman
955 - Frank Szymanski, Maryland State,
outfielder
956 - Gary Treon, Washington,
second baseman
957 - Art Cleassures, Baltimore, outfielder
958 - John Kulevitch, Milford, pitcher
959 - Dan Baier, Baltimore, third baseman
960 - Howie Stethers, Washington, pitcher
961 - Wayne Pietri, New Orleans,
nitcher-first baseman
1962 - Clay Bittinger, Washington, pitcher
1963 - Ken Wirell, Brookly, pitcher
1964 - Jim Monin, Buffalo, shortstop
1965 - Mike Reilly, Pittsburgh, outfielder
1966 - Dave Davis, New Orleans, pitcher
1967 - Wayne Scrivener, Baltimore, shortstop
1967 - Wayne Schvener, Dammore, Cherterep
1968 - Dan Camp, Ann Arbor, pitcher
1969 - Jim Burton, Detroit, pitcher
1970 - Gene Pentz, Johnstown, pitcher
1971 - Jim Chamberlain,
Washington, pitcher-first baseman
1972 - Brad Ful, Baltimore, third baseman
1973 - Paul Hartzell, Baltimore, pticher
1974 - Steve Mura, New Orleans, pitcher
1975 - Larry Sorenson, Detroit, pitcher
1976 - Tom Qualters, pitcher, Baltimore
Duke Duncan, outfielder, Baltimore
1977 - Frank Thomas, Baltimore,
second baseman
1978 - Ken Mehall, Detroit, outfielder
1979 - Phil Warner, Baltimore, catcher
1980 - Chuck Coker, Baltimore, first baseman
1981 - Benard Brown, Baltimore, outfielder
1982 - Richard Bosley, Baltimore, P-DH
1983 - Carlos Diaz, Baltimore, catcher
1984 - Wally Whitehurst, New Orleans, pitcher
1985 - Dan Faley, Baltimore, third baseman
1986 - Cary Grubb, Johnstown, third baseman
1987 - Mike Sarbaugh, Baltimore, shortstop
1988 - Joe Burnett, New Orleans, outfielder
1989 - Jim Crowley, Baltimore, third baseman
1990 - Dave Willman, Baltimore,
catcher-outfielder
1991 - Steve Bernhardt, Baltimore, shortstop
1991 - Steve Bermand, Balancie, Sheredep 1992 - Steve Bourgeois, New Orleans, outfielder
1992 - Steve Bourgeois, New Orleans, outload
1993 - Joe Kail, Baltimore, seond baseman
1994 - Julio Lugo, Brooklyn
1995 - Brian Hughes, New Orleans, catcher
1996 - Brian Foster, Baltimore, outfielder
1997 - Liam Healy, Baltimore, outfielder
1998 - Rich Thompson, Washington, outfielder
1999 - Taylor Wood, Washington, shortstop

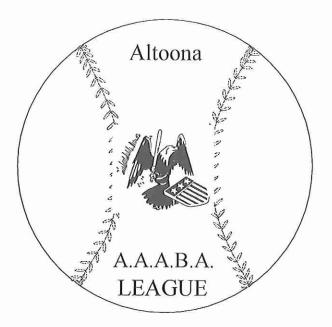
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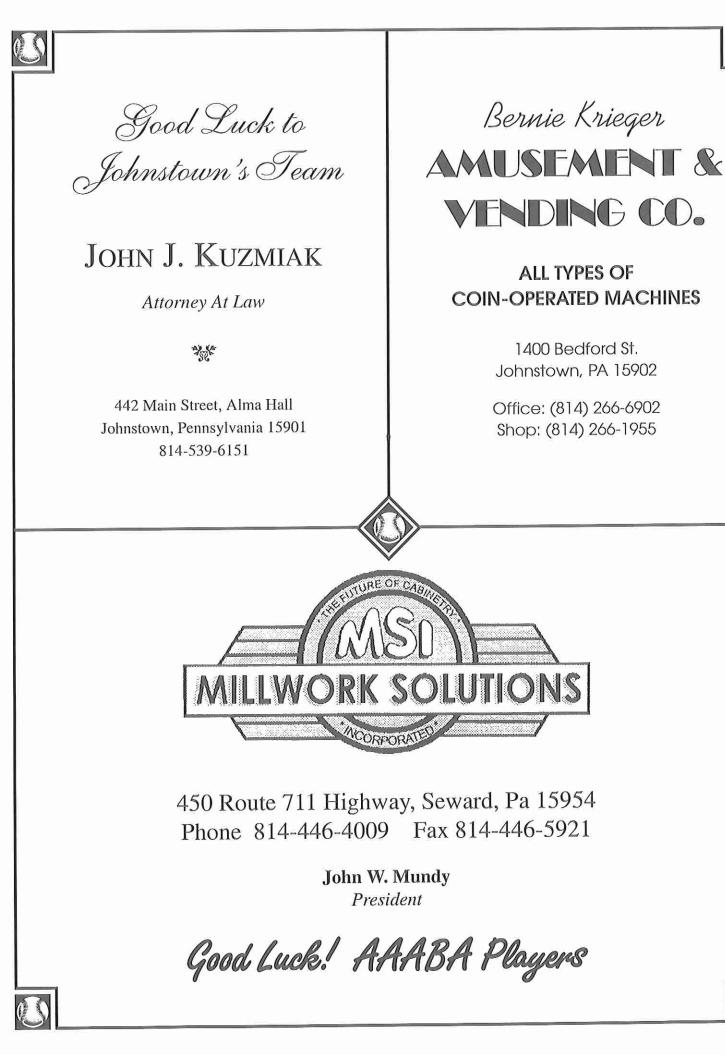


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AAABA Readers Reach to Kids

By JASON HORNICK THE TRIBUNE-DEMOCRAT

A bubbly group of 35 young women who act as city liaisons for Johnstown's AAABA tournament is branching out to create enthusiasm off the field - for reading

"Storytime with the AAABA Ambassadors" is hosted by Johnstown Oldtimers and The Galleria in Richland Township. Children can come and enjoy stories presented by guest readers every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. The 45-minute storytimes will run through August 1.

Guest reader Jack Michaels, a disc jockey at Key 95, sat on a bench Tuesday reading from the collection of works on hand.

In front of J.C. Penney at The Galleria, about 20 kids scrunched their way across the marbleized floor to get closer and better hear the readings over the commotion at the mall.

Some of the literary themes being tackled in the oversized books: Cows that say oink, corssspecies adoptions and bear family values.

Fidgeting children listened to takes of Stellaluna's bovine adventures, a bat adopted by a family of birds, the Berenstein Bears solving their family problems and the enigma of why mosquitoes buzz in our ears.

The ambassadors, who act as city liaisons

to out-of-town clubs at the AAABA competition in August, also tried their hands at storytelling, jumping in to read after Michaels was finished.

"The community is so good to the tournament, so we wanted to do something back," said Mark Critz, coordinator for the ambassadors. "I fell good about (storytime). I think the kids get something out of it."

The sessions have been a success for the most part during this, the first year the ambassadors hosted the reading hour.

Tuesday tends to be one of the mall's least



Michelle Birk (right) reads a book called "Why Do Mosquitoes Buzz in My Ear?" as another AAABA ambassador, Jaclyn Papuga, assists. The AAABA's story programs for children are held Tuesday evenings at The Galleria in Richland Township.

> busy nights. It is hoped the program will help bring in a few more people, Critz said.

The guest readers are usually from the local media, and organizers hope they will serve as a drawing card.

Since the mall closes early July 4, the next reader will be Mike Moore,

Johnstown Johnnies manager, on July 11. And the storytime stan-

dards of milk and cookies haven't been forgotten. Galliker Dairy and Pretzel Gourmet are two of the sponsors bringing treats to the kids.

"I think (storytime) is a good idea. We need to get more kids to come," said

Amanda Wilan, a 20 year old ambassador. "We are here for them." Becoming an ambassador is a community

honor and a worth while experience, the young women said.

The 35 ambassadors, ages 16 to 20, are picked from more than 100 applicants based on grades, activities and who seems to be the most community-oriented. Those who are selected, all volunteers, help promote the tournament through various activities throughout the summer.

Critz said the experience allows the ambassadors to branch out, meeting new people from different areas and backgrounds and leaving them "more mature for future endeavors."

Crystal Rickabough, 17, said the ambassadors program helps show that not all teenagers are apathetic, as many believe. "The ambassadors show how much teen-agers can get together," she said.

Michelle Birk, a 17-year-old Conemaugh Valley High School student, is an ambassador whose boyfriend plays on the Johnstown team. "People from all around come to the city for the games," she said. "I wanted to represent Johnstown."

"The community is so good to the tournament, so we wanted to do something back."

> Mark Critz, **AAABA** Ambassadors

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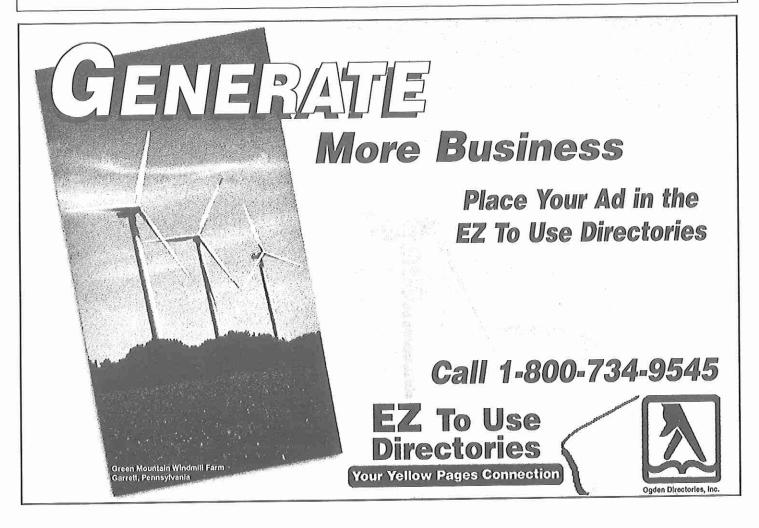
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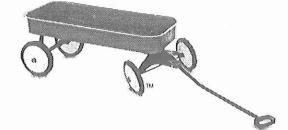
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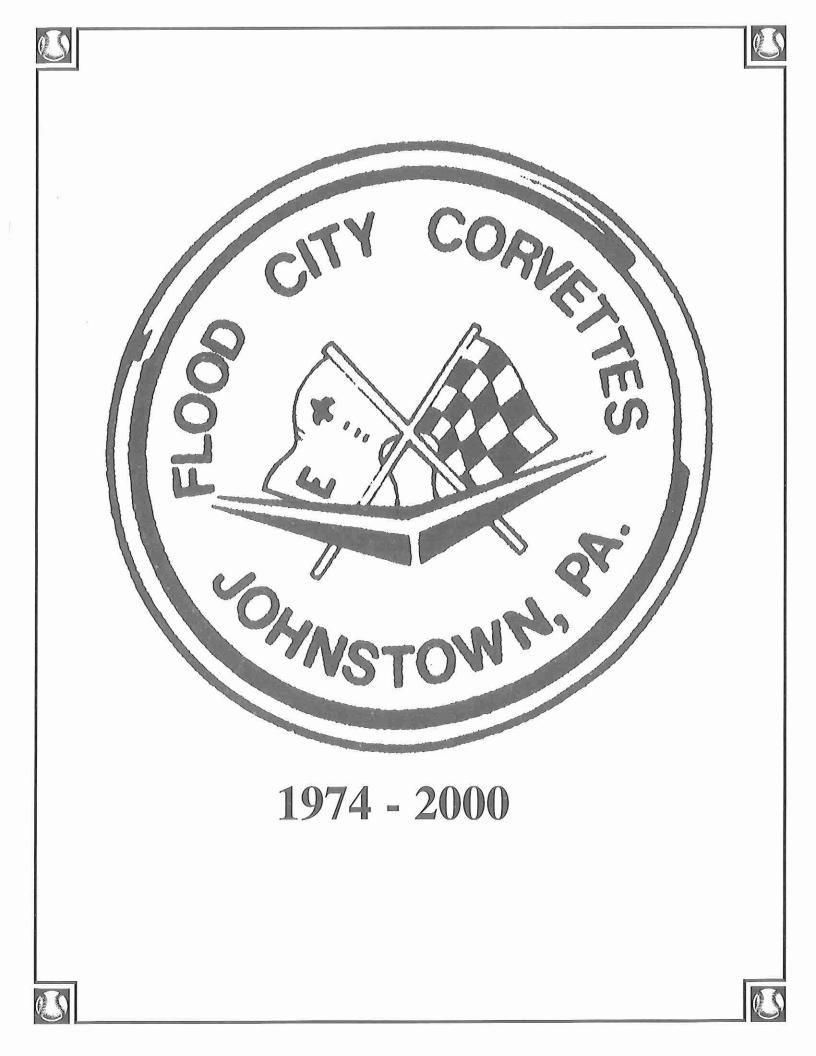
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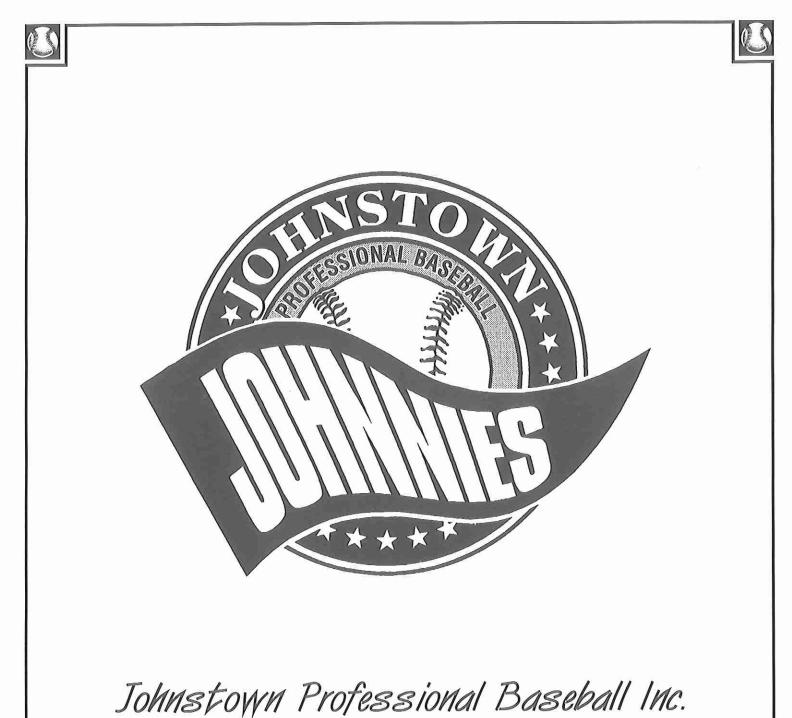
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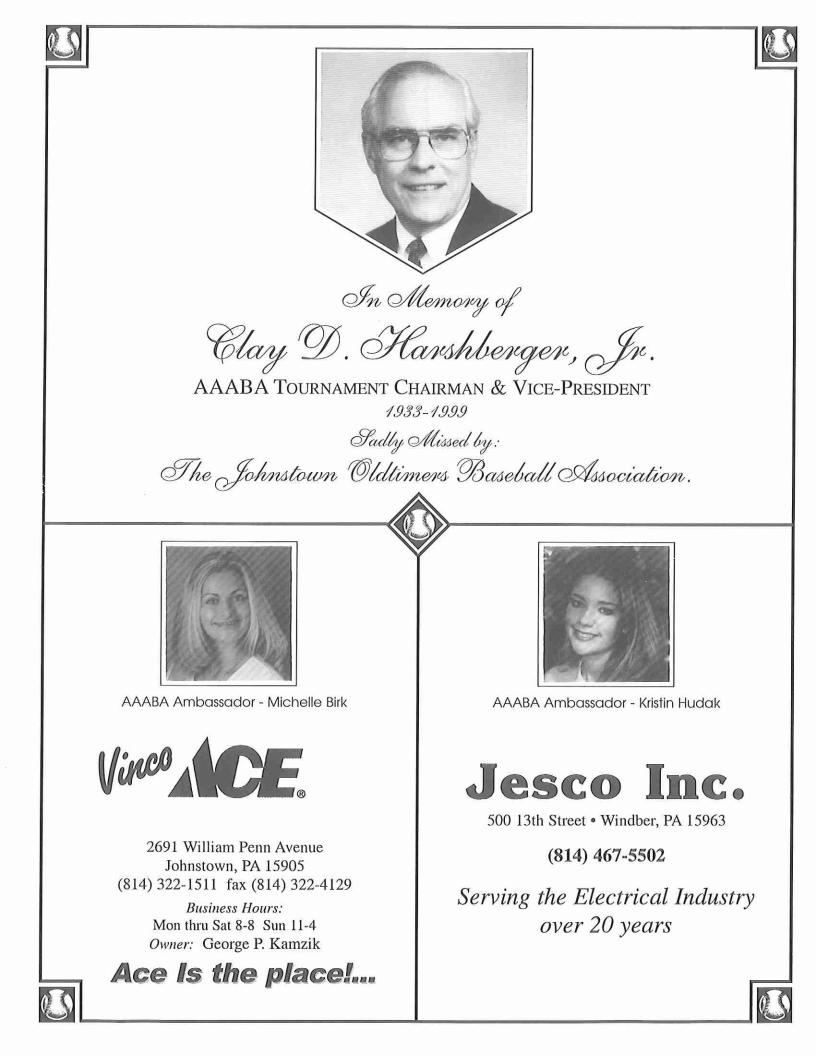


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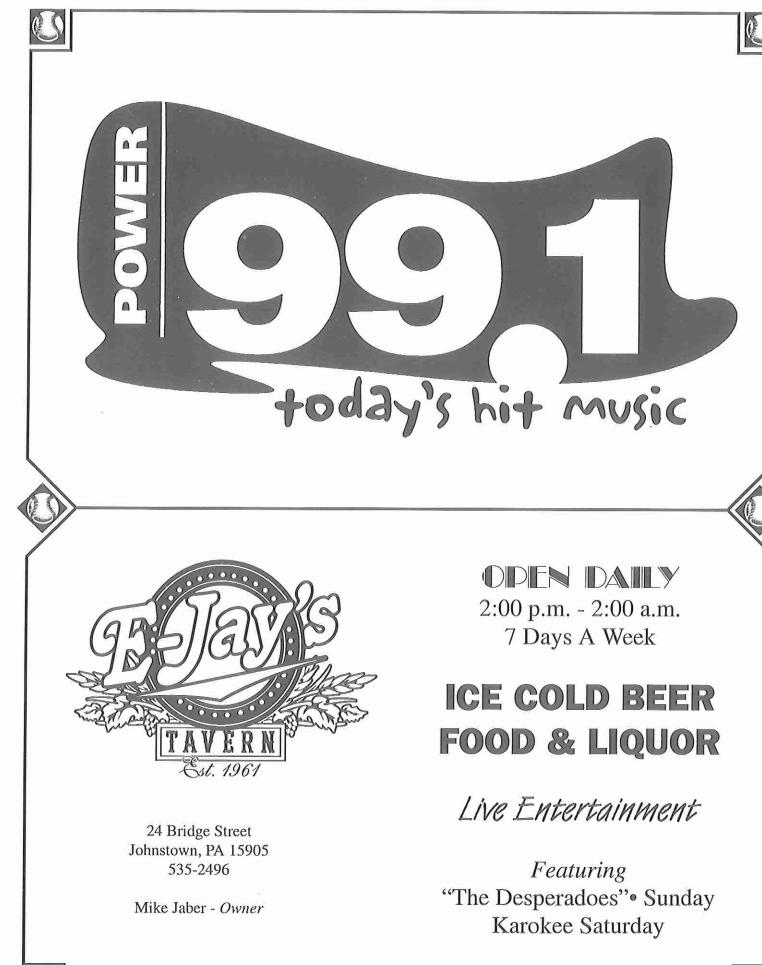
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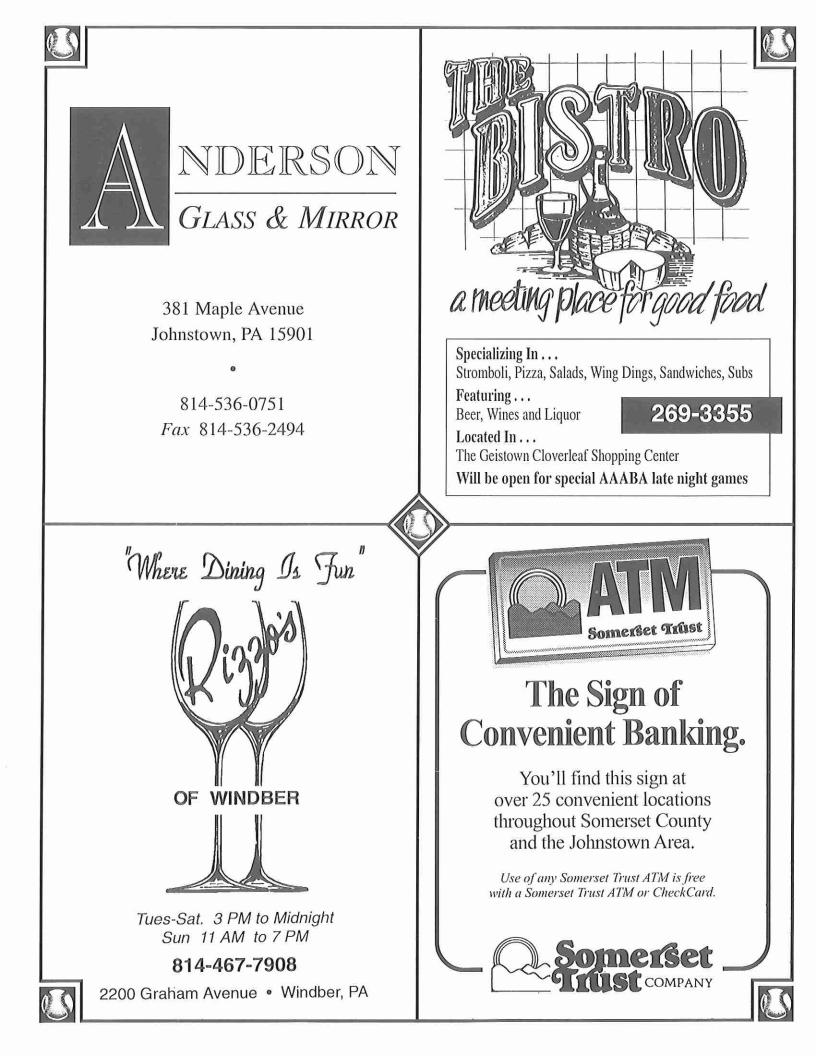
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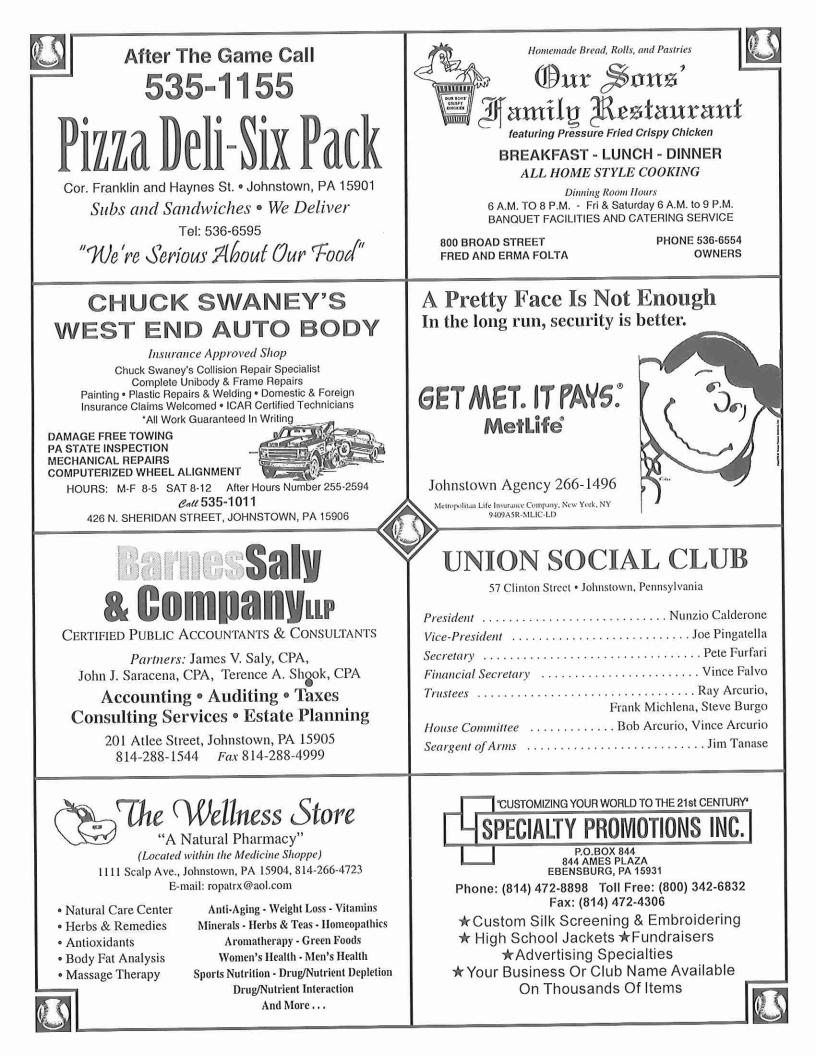
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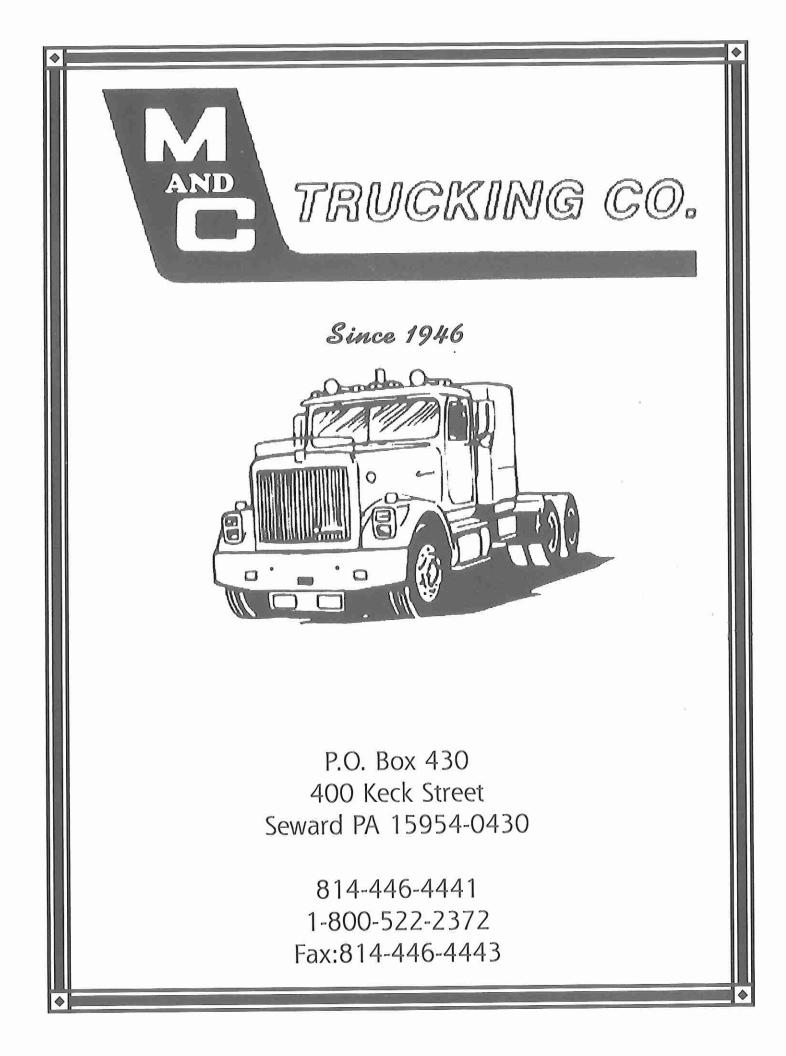
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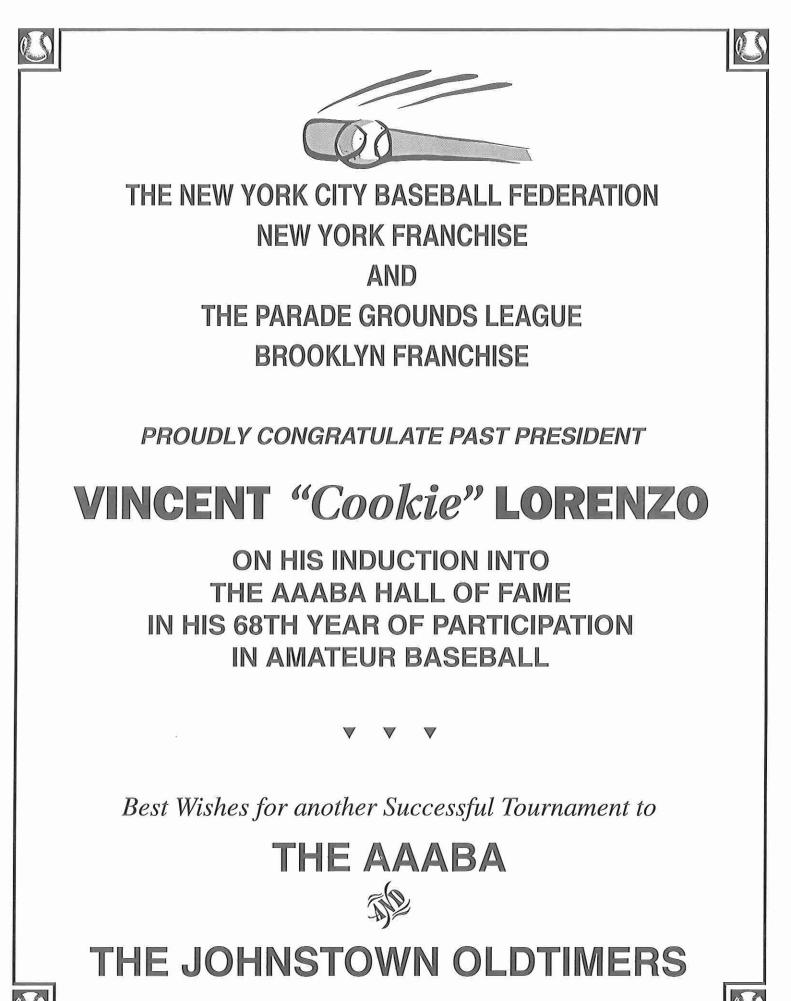
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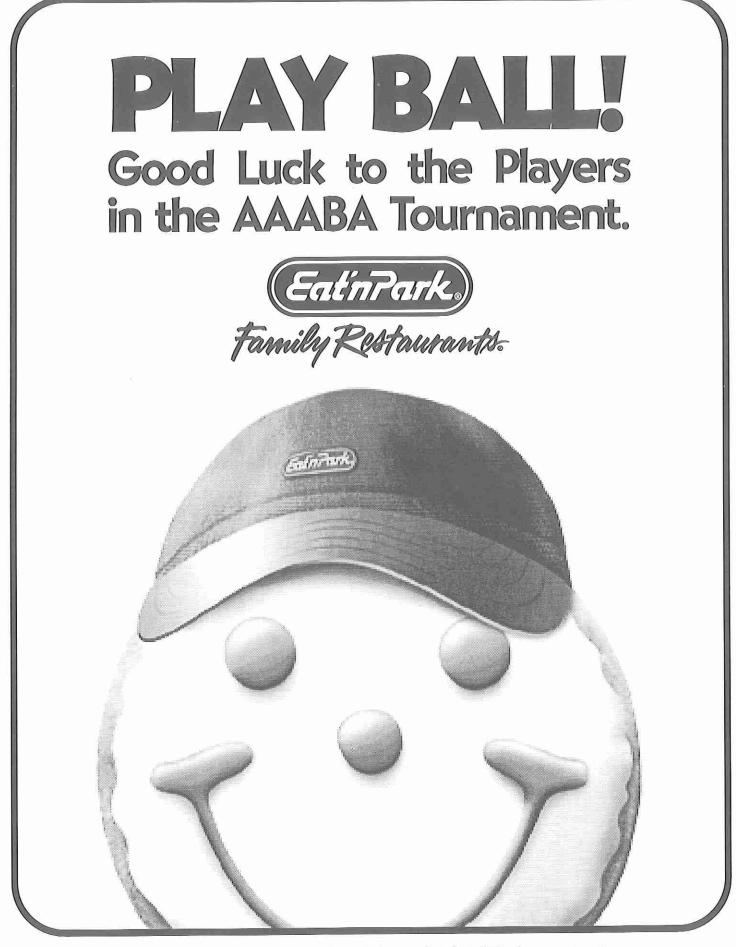
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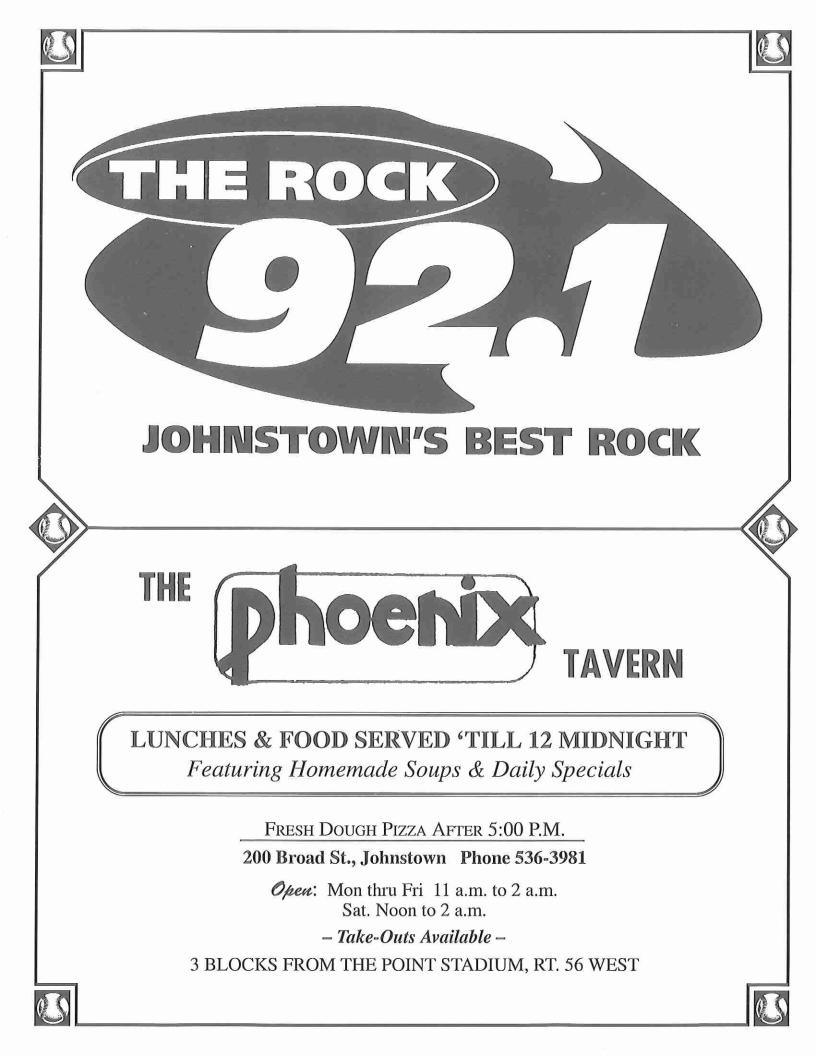


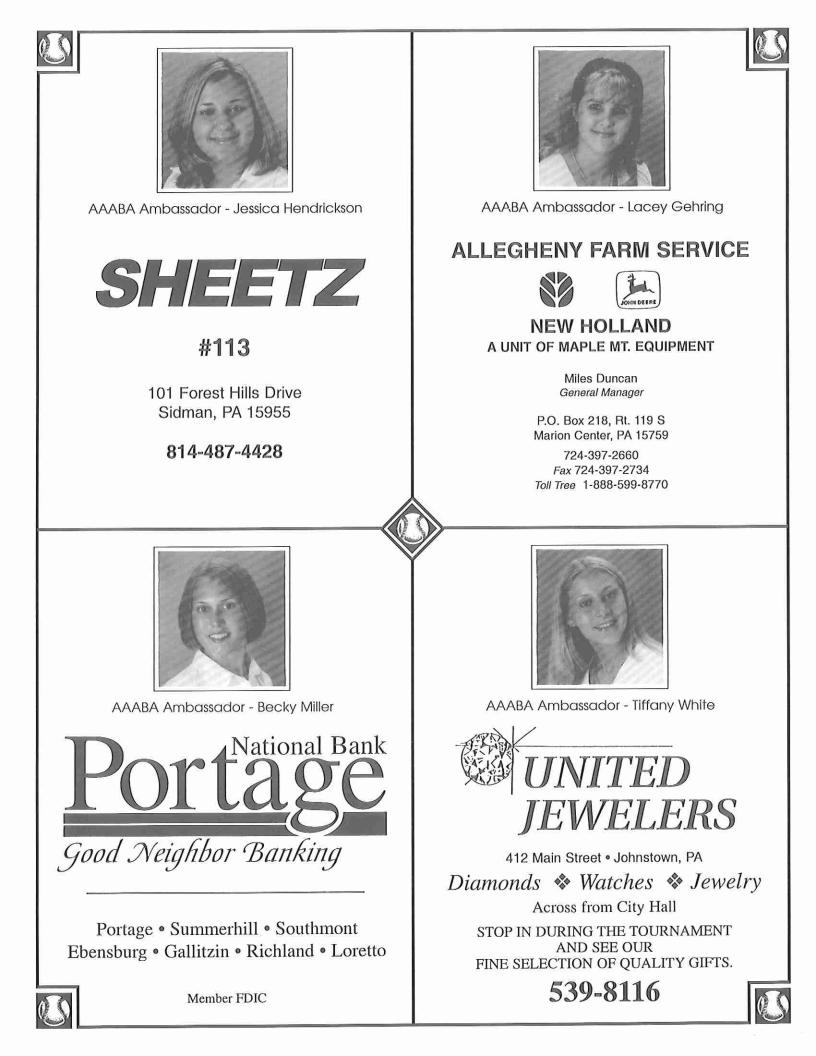






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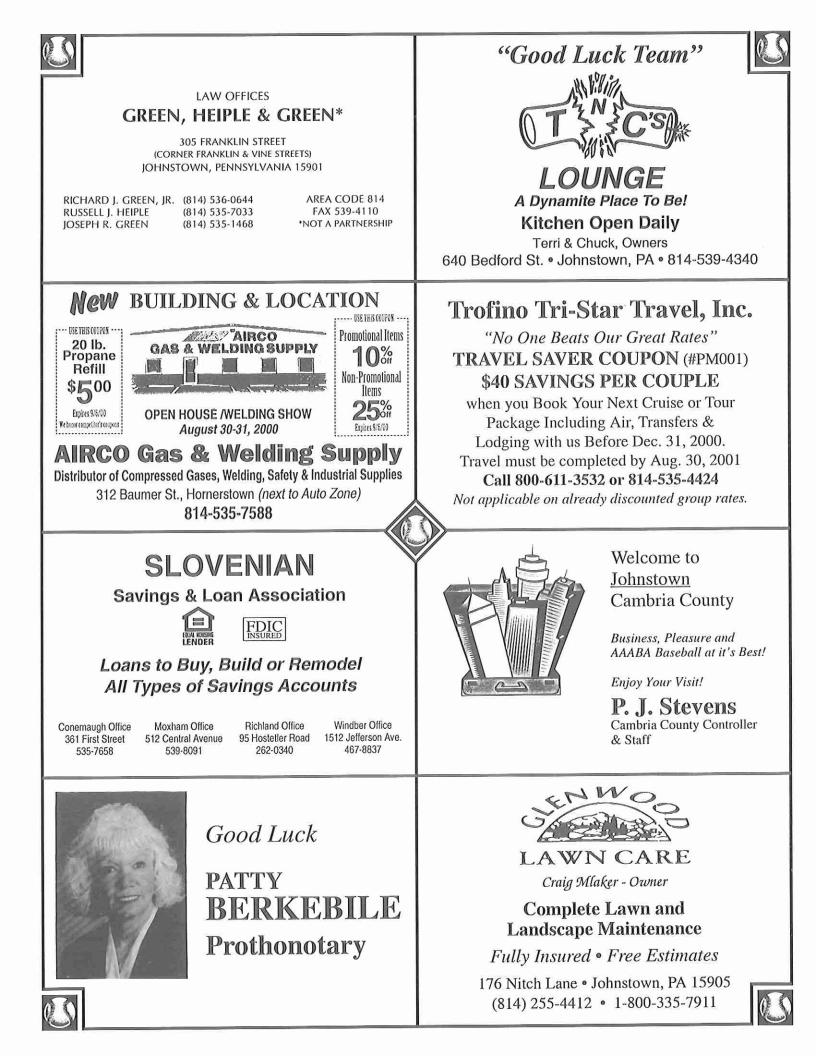
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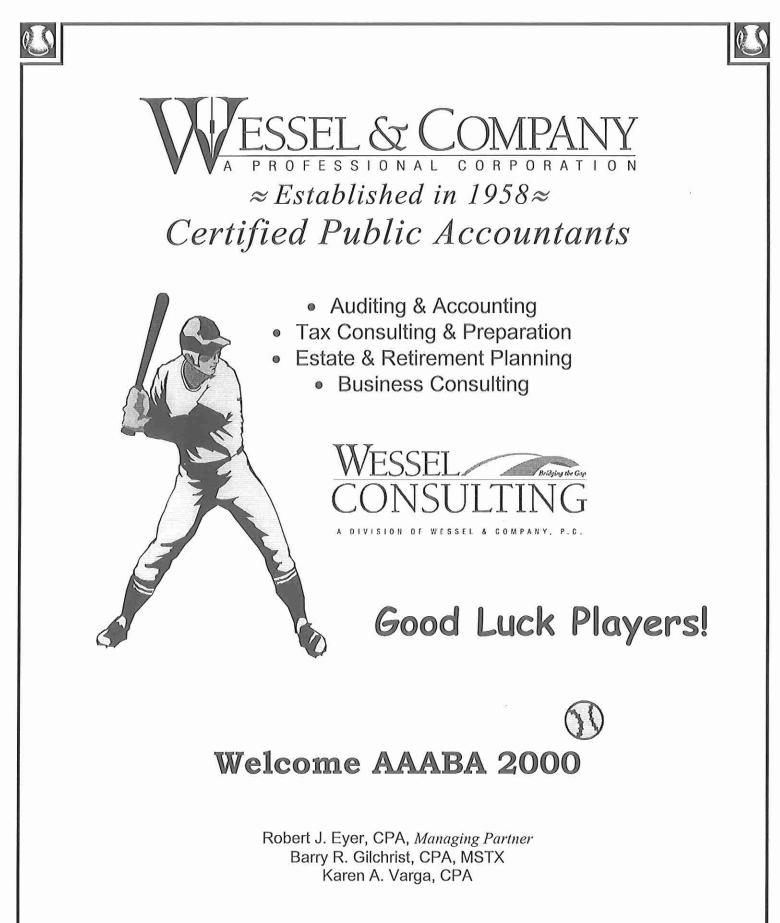








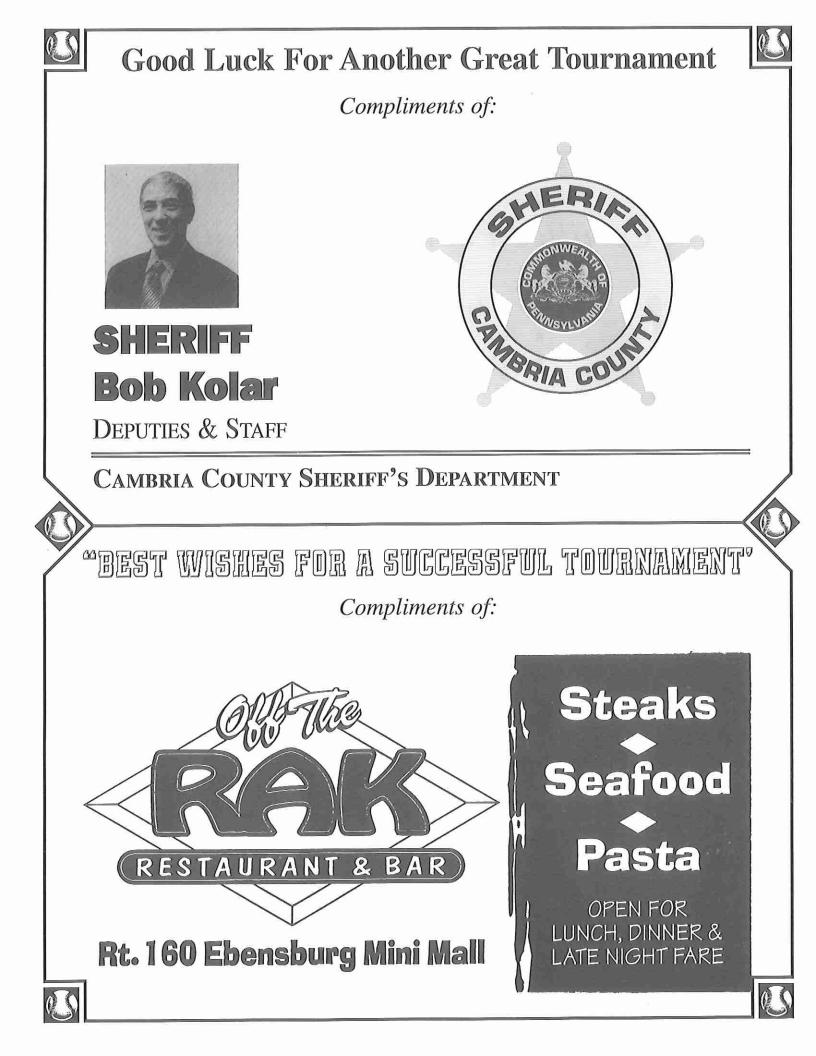


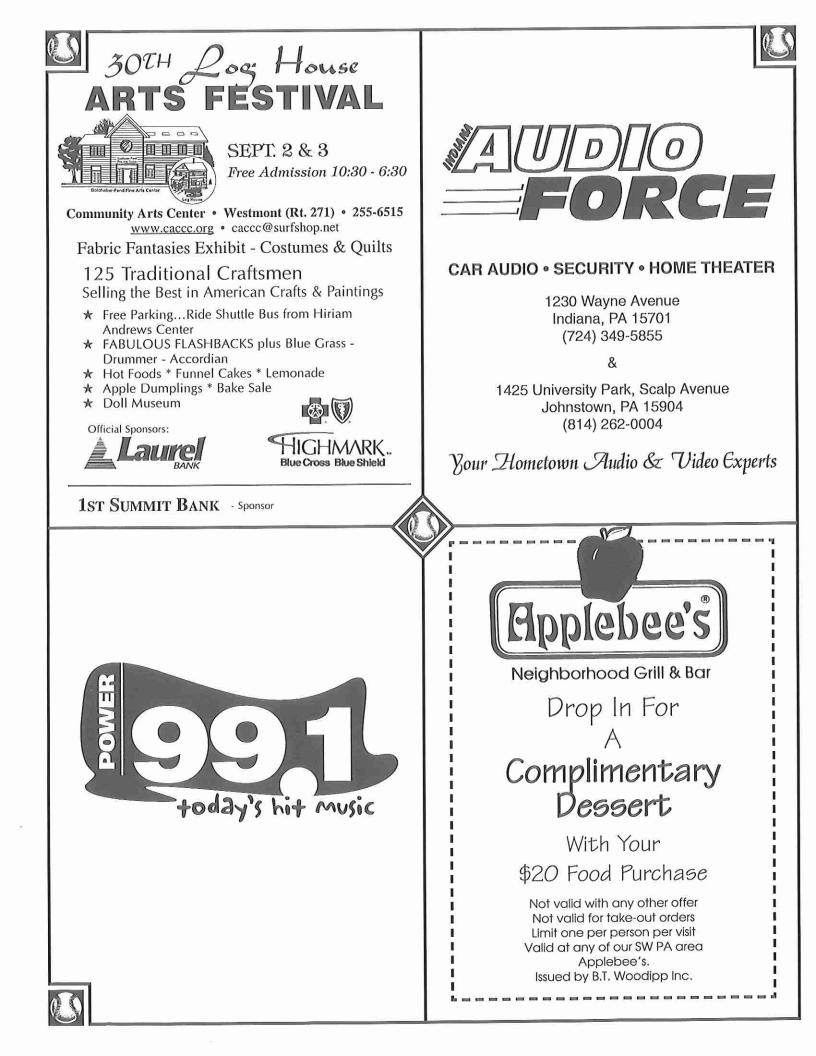


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DAVID RIZZO WAS KNOWN FOR HIS DEDICATION TO SOCCER

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David A. Rizzo of Johnstown, was a soccer referee for American Youth Soccer Organization and Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association in Cambria and Somerset counties, .

In addition to officiating for AYSO and PIAA, Mr. Rizzo refereed for Laurel Highland Futbol Club. "He coordinated referees, too," Mr. Leverknight said. "Everyone had the highest opinion of his administrative and officiating abilities."

In July, Mr. Rizzo was soccer referee coordinator for the Keystone State Games.

"He made a significant contribution to the Keystone Games," said Bill Horner, who was on the local organizing committee for the games and is president of Greater Johnstown Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Mr. Rizzo coordinated the 1,165 soccer players who participated in the games and helped handle the financial aspect of the games.

"Anything you asked him to do, he was there," Mr. Horner said.

Lisa Dailey, executive director of the convention and visitors bureau, worked

closely with Mr. Rizzo even before Johnstown was chosen as a site for the games.

She said Mr. Rizzo was involved with the Keystone games early on, serving on the finance committee and working with sponsorships.

"He was the kind of guy who, when he was involved in something, he was very committed," Ms. Dailey said. "He was an allaround good guy. It's a tremendous loss to th community."

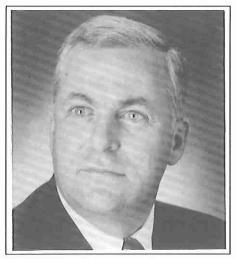
Mr. Rizzo also served on the board of directors of Johnstown Old Timers Baseball Association with Dennis Grenell.

"He and his wife always took care of the Ambassador program," Mr. Grenell said.

A certified public accountant, Mr. Rizzo helped the AAABA with his accounting knowledge.

"He'll be greatly missed," Mr. Grenell said. "He was one of the main cogs in the Old Timers."

Mr. Rizzo went to work as a certified public accountant at Wessel & Co. 215 Main St., after graduating from Shippensburg University 19 years ago. He was the



company's director of estate and retirement planning and a tax compliance partner.

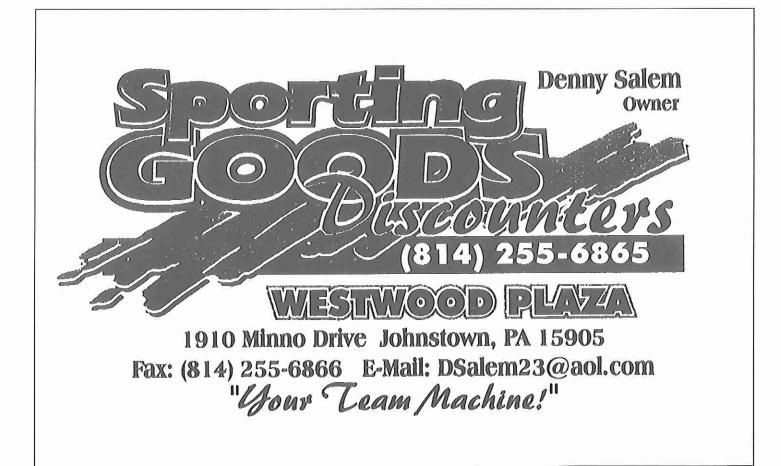
Karen Varga, also a partner in the company, worked closely with Mr. Rizzo at Wessel & Co.

"It's a personal and a business loss," Ms. Varga said. "He was dedicated to whatever he did. Soccer was his passion."

To honor Mr. Rizzo's dedication, a memorial fund will be set up at the Community Foundation to benefit soccer.

Mr. Rizzo, whose children all play soccer, became a referee when Hilltop AYSO started because no one else wanted to do it.

"He liked being involved with kids, helping out," said his wife.



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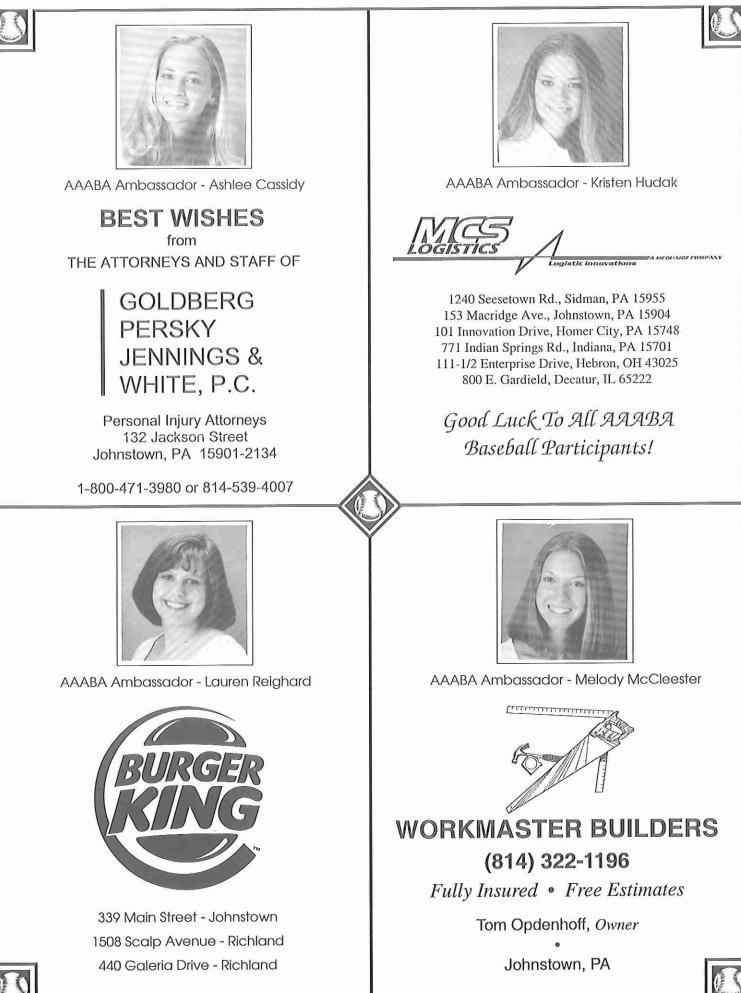
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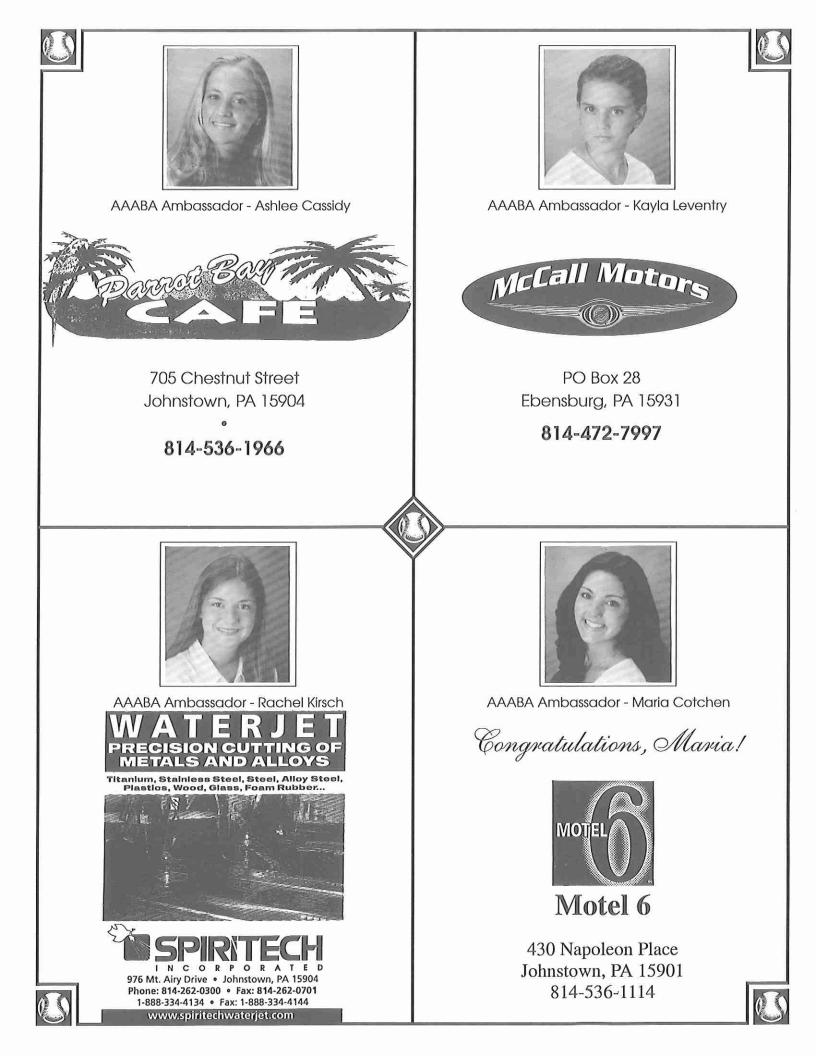
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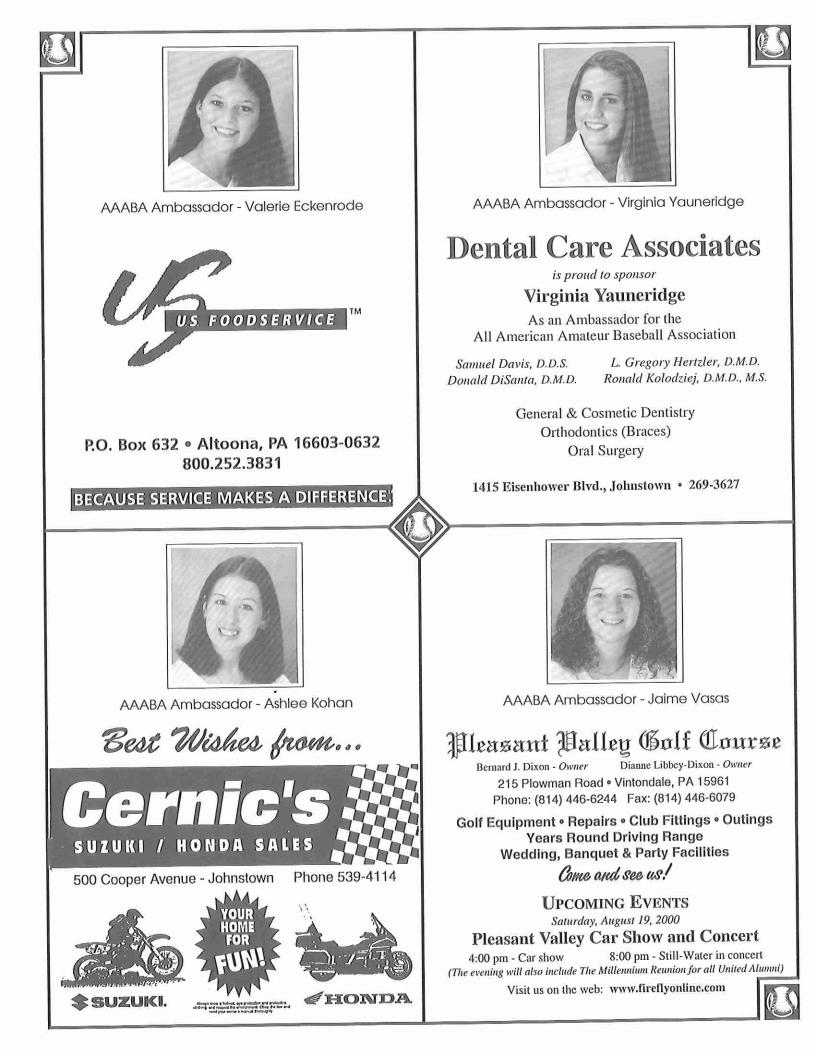
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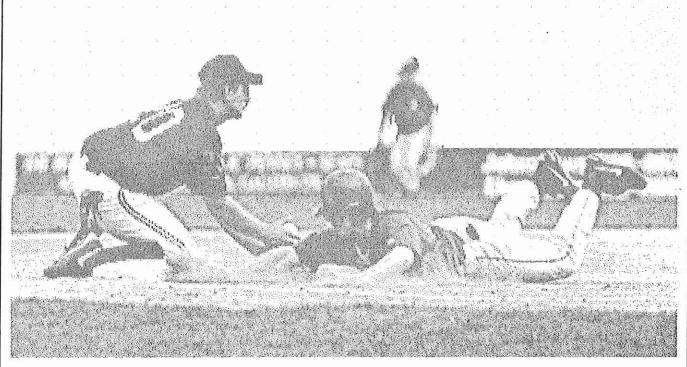
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REBECCA MILLER 17, is the daughter of Robert T. & Mary Miller of Ebensburg. She is a 2000 Graduate of Central Cambria High School and will attend Gettysburg College in the Fall.



JACLYN ANN PAPUGA 18, is the daughter of Francis & Christine Papuga of Conemaugh. She is a 2000 Graduate of Bishop McCort High School and will attend Penn State University in the Fall.



DANA PFEIL 18, is the daughter of Richard & Deborah Pfeil of Johnstown. She is a 1999 Graduate of Richland High School and currently is a Sophomore at Cambria County Area Community College.



CARLY RAGER 18, is the daughter of Evelyn D. Rager of Johnstown. She is a 2000 Graduate of Greater Johnstown High School and will attend Penn State University in the Fall.



LAUREN REIGHARD 17, is the daughter of Paul & Janice Reighard of Johnstown. She is currently a Senior at Richland High School.



CRYSTAL RICKABAUGH 17, is the daughter of Randy & Sue Rickabaugh of Johnstown. She currently is a Senior at Richland High School.



VANESSA STEPHENS 18, is the daughter of Robert & Tamela Stephens of Nanty Glo. She is a 2000 Graduate of Blacklick Valley High School and will attend The United States Air Force in the Fall.



JAIME VASAS 17, is the daughter of Joe & Rhea Vasas of Armagh. She is currently a Senior at United High School.



TIFFANY WHITE 17, is the daughter of Ruth Johns and David White, Sr. of Johnstown. She is currently a Senior at Greater Johnstown High School.



AMANDA MARIE WIAN 20, is the daughter of Edward & Gina Wian of Johnstown. She is currently a Junior at The Indiana University of Pennsylvania.



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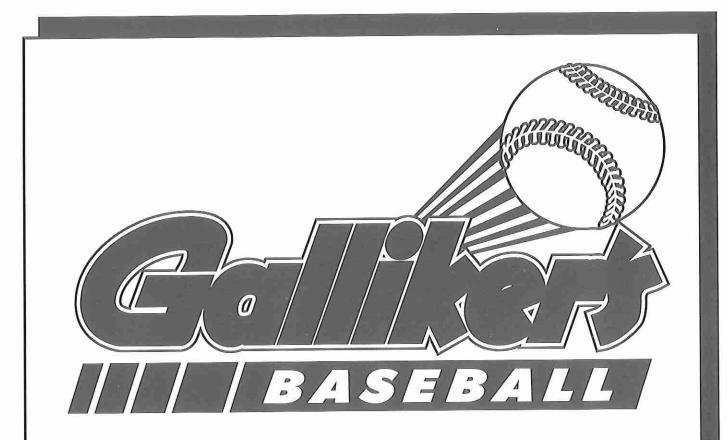
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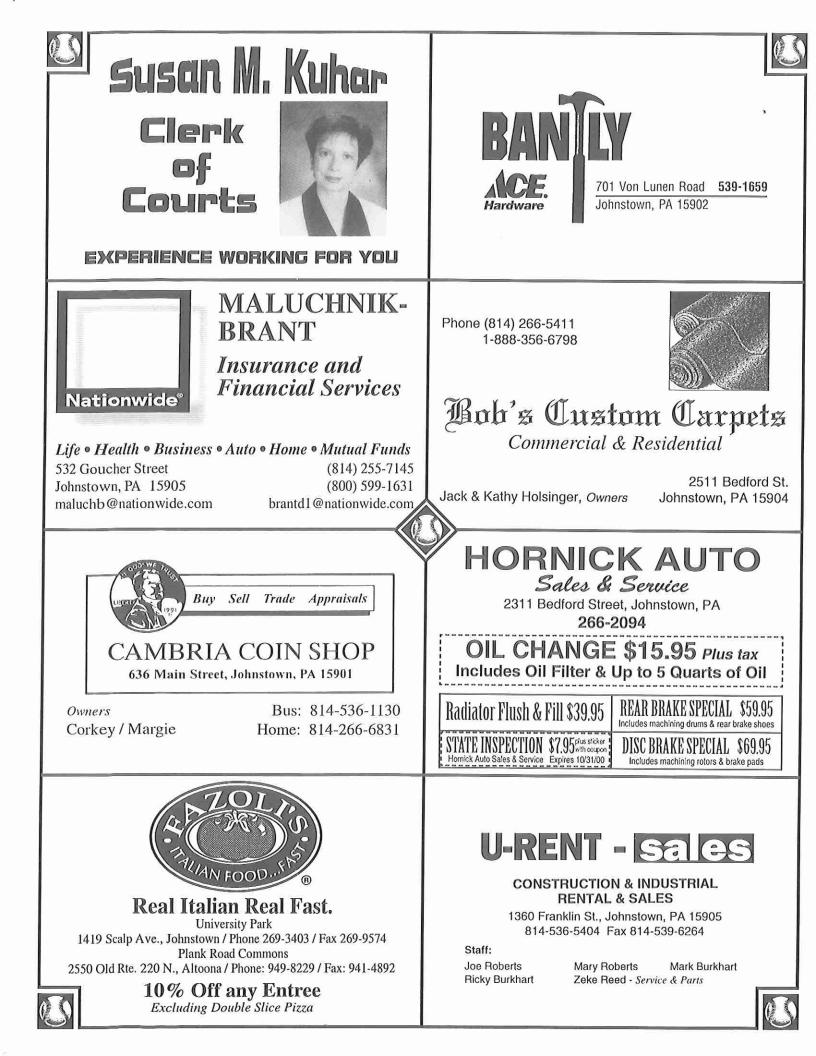


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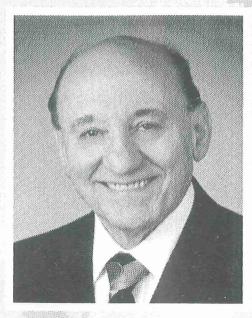
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