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The Sixteenth Annual Cotillion presented by the Tri-State Area of Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World, (I.B.P.O.E.W.) was a thing of beauty.

Held at the Lord Baltimore Hotel on Saturday evening, March 22, this year's cotillion presented twenty-one lovely young ladies who made their formal bow into society in style.

The debutantes were selected by their sponsors on the basis of their scholastic achievement and came from places located in the Tri-State Elk Area — Maryland, Delaware and The District of Columbia.

Dr. Charles E. Johnson was emcee for the occasion. Introduction of sponsors and parents was done by William S. Fountain, one of the Tri-State presidents.

Presentation of the debutantes was by Nikki Randolph, also choreographer for the cotillion.

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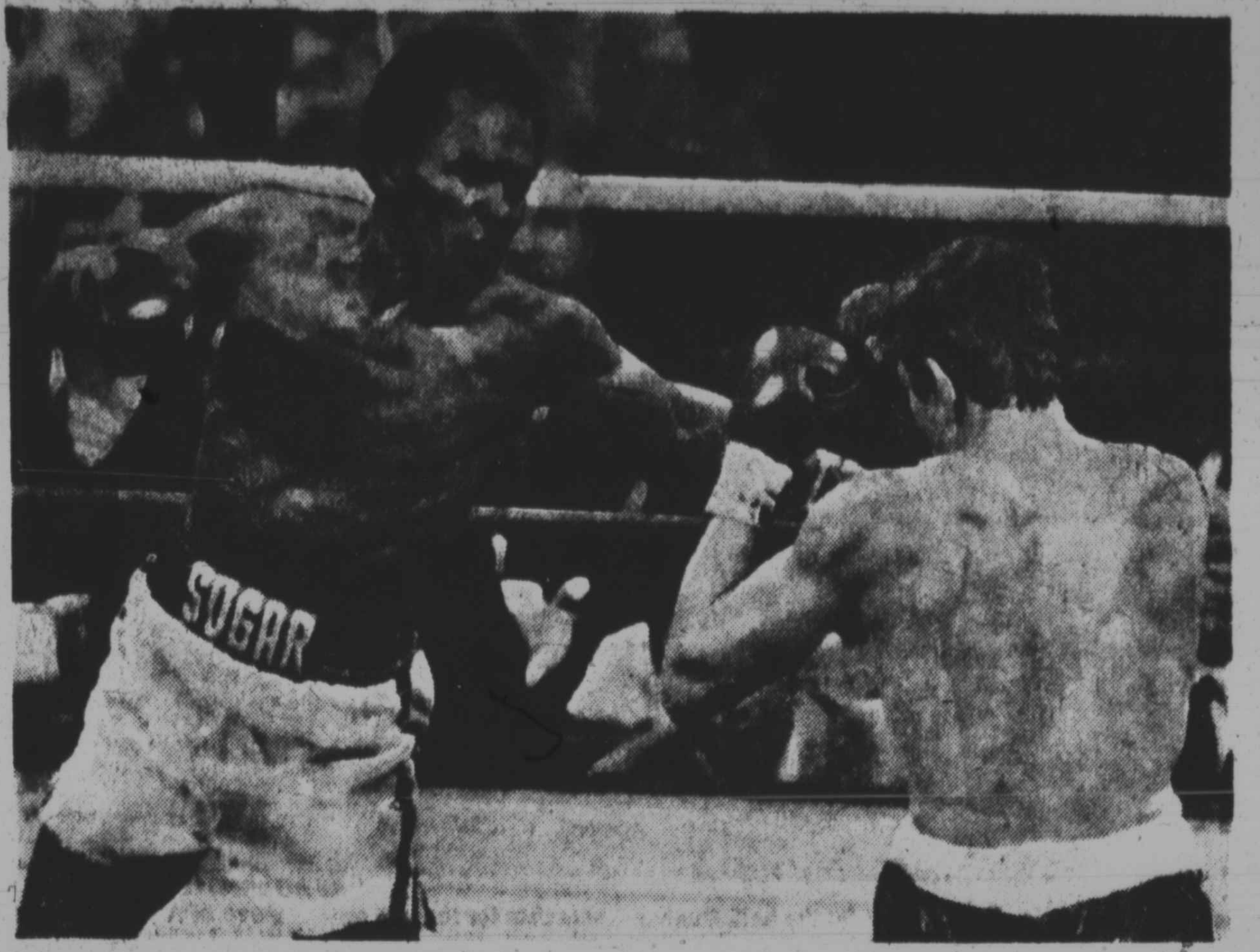
To tempt the palate there was tossed salad, a delicious gelatin mold, rice, mouth-watering chili, munchies and wine.

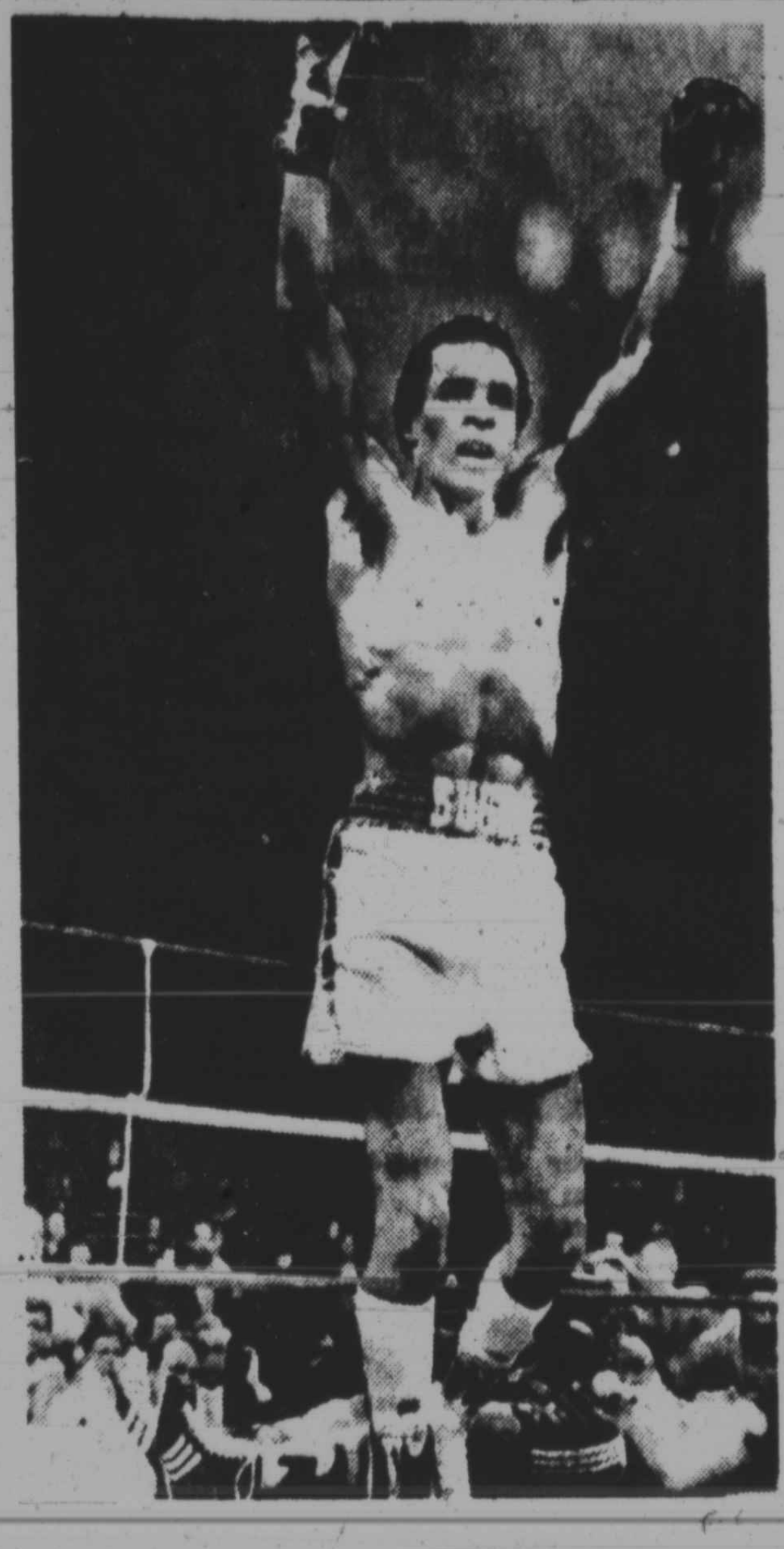
Guests who attended came not only from Baltimore, but from Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia as well.

They chatted, sipped, feasted - and then topped the evening off with a round of dancing before taking their leave to prepare for that Monday morning job rush.

Among those about were: Jackie Hall, Doris Roseborough, Earl A. Pace of Philadelphia, Pa.; Wilburt McReynolds, Randall Marshall and Sharon Espeut of Washington, D.C.;

Also James P. Wilson, Mrs. Vivian Bailey, Camille Blackwell, Jessica Harper, Avon Evans, Cari Cannon and Mel Scott.





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GREAT BIG PUNCH — Sugar Ray Leonard winds up with his right in the third round as he goes after British fighter Davey "Boy" Green in a title fight Monday, March 31 in Landover. In the photo at (R) the welterweight champion raises his arms victoriously after knocking out Green 2:27 into the fourth round. Green is shown lying on the mat in the background.

Lake Clifton, Edmondson lacrossers eye 'C' title

By Samuel Davis

Both Lake Clifton's and Edmondson's lacrosse teams are happy about the same thing this season, Southwestern, three-year "C" conference champ has moved to the "B" conference.

Redskin and Laker stickers have continuously been right behind Southwestern in its title seasons, and last year both ended the year 7 - 3, tying for second place behind Southwestern.

There have been changes in "B" conference. City has joined the conference and it has been broken down into two divisions.

Lake Clifton and Edmondson are in separate divisions, and the two could meet in a title game at season's end as well as the showdown scheduled for April 25.

Edmondson coach Dave Mintzer gets back 11 of last year's squad, eight seniors, which the coach says is an important factor.

"All 11 of these guys played last year, so that should make a big difference," he explained.

The eight Mintzer has that are in the senior class are led by goalie Raymond Newman, who alternated with another goalie last year, averaging better than seven saves.

The defense which held opponents under two goals in all but three losses, has three of the seniors — Raymond Newman, Ernest Leach and Keith Williams.

Attackmen Allen Eaton and Tim Wright, along with midfielders Kevin Cox and Eaton's brother Kevin, are the remaining four.

The Lakers have a new head coach, Richard Young, last year's junior varsity coach.

Under the 29-year-old tutleage, the JV won eight contests and lost none, earning them "B" conference championship. Included the eight wins were two over Edmondson's JV.

For Young, the only black varsity lacrosse coach in the public school' system, six of last year's team return. They are midfielders Wilbur Carter and Gary Burrell; attachmen Wilbur Strickland and Raymond Daughtery and two borthers on defense, Dorain and Tony Gray.

With only six lettermen, Young, a graduate of Towson University and Forest Park Senior High, realizes that the nucleus of his team will be the newcomers from the junior varisty.

"We don't have much back in terms of experience, so our success depends upon the guys who are moving up," said Young, who also coached at Southwestern. "When they jell, we will."

From the junior varsity, which averaged five goals a contest, and shut out opponents three times, comes a very impressive goalie, Craig Fulton, who averaged doubled figures in saves on the JV last year.

With him come standouts Ricky Harris, William Long and Mike Rurnell (midfielders); Milton Conway, Joe McKinney and Bernard Hughes (attackmen) and Bernard Hughes (attackmen) and Kevin Buie and Leonard Dawson (defendsemen).

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Philly wins playoff opener

Bullets succumb to Jones, 76ers

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Lionel Hollins scored 21 points and Caldwell Jones had 26 rebounds and 18 points last Wednesday night to give the Philadelphia 76ers a 111 - 96 victory over the Washington Bullets and a 1 - 0 lead in their best-of-three NBA playoff series.

Game 2 of the mini-series is Friday night, April 4, at the Capital Centre.

The 76ers capitalized on excellent free throw shooting, hitting their first 17 foul shots and 29-of-31 for the game. They broke open a close game in the last 3:07 of the first half after the Bullets came within 43 - 41 on Wes Unseld's follow-up basket. Hollins hit 4 points in a 13 - 4 tear and Philadelphia led 56 - 45 at halftime.

The Bullets slowed the tempo in the third quarter, but never came closer than 7 points even though Kevin Grevey hit 11 of his game-high 34 points in the period. Hollins answered with 10 points for the 76ers, who twice led by 12 and were up 78 - 66 entering the final quarter.

Philadelphia built its Maurice Cheeks capped an 8 - 0 streak on a jumper with 6:10 remaining. The Bullets quickly scored 7 points in a row, including a three-point field goal by John Williamson, to cut the deficit to 10 with 4:48 left.

But from a 99 - 89 advantage with 2:30 to play the 76ers pulled away with 8 straight points, including two dunks by Julius Erving and one by Darryl Dawkins that made it 107 - 89 with 1:26 to play. The lead was as high as 21 points.

Cheeks, who finished with 13 points as did Erving and Dawkins, made a steal and layup to give the 76ers their first lead, 19 - 17, with 3:58 left in the first quarter.

The 76ers, who trailed 8 - 0 in the first 2:07, held a 25 - 24 advantage at the end of the quarter and led 41 - 31 with 17:16 left in the half. But the Bullets went on a 10 - 2 tear and cut the deficit to 43 - 44, but never came closer.

Elvin Hayes finished with 14 points for Washington, but scored just 2 points in the final quarter Williamson

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CCB 'Red Devils' older, wiser, better in '80'

By Samuel Davis

If one were to mistake the Community College of Baltimore's baseball team for "Johnny's," a summer league team from Baltimore, which won a national championship this past summer, the mistake would be understood.

Last seasons the Red Devils were a very young team so coaches George Henderson and Norm Gilder, recruited not only for talent during the off-season, but experience.

High school players offer plenty of talent, but the experience is on a much lower level than college baseball, even junior college. This is where "Johnny's" comes in. The players on the team's range in ages from 16 - 19 and the competition is up to par.

From "Johnny's," which compiled a record of 75 - 12,, comes players like Tony Maggard, a third and first baseman, who batted .375 and was voted the team's most valuable player; Wayne King, an all-MSA outfielder from Cardinal Gibbons; Mark Hamilton, a graduate of Poly, who batted .360 for the national champs and Dave Thrift, a pitcher.

Ron Caldwell, who pitched in the championship game for "Johnny's," is also a member of the Red Devil squad as he was last year. As the ace of last season's 13 - 10 club, he showed a recod of 5 - 1.

Returning with Caldwell, but not a member of "Johnny's" is this year's captain, Terry Little. On defense, Little works from the shortstop position. At the plate last year, he batted .330. The Edmondson graduate has had to sit out most of the team's games thus far with a groin injry.

In seven games, the team had compiled a 3 - 3 - 1 record. A major reason for the wins is another returning player, Ray McCoy. He along with catcher Mark Eckrel, centerfielder Charles Hawkins and designated hitter Jim Dipino are the only starters from last year, along with pitcher Reggie Smith, who will be in the regular rotation. The only remaining letterman is infielder Derrick Brown, who's speed enabled him to rank second on the team in stolen bases last year.

"Last year we had a young club, almost all freshman and they were very inexperienced," explained head coach Henderson." How we have guys who have been in national tournaments and championships, which means plenty of experience."

"I also see a lot of good traits in this team," he went on to say." They're dedicated, and they have a desire to win. These guys really want to play."

The remainder of the 1980 Red Devils, all freshman, with the exception of a transfer student, Gary Wallace, are: Neil Beller, Jim McGuire, Steve Regner, Tim O'Malley, Mike Trent and John Wainright. The latter was a member of Carver's baseball team, last year's "B" conference champs. Wainright, who batted .525 for Carver, will hold down the shortstop position until Little returns. He also has the ability to pitch. His record last year was 7 - 0.

Western softball team trying to keep win streak alive

By Samuel Davis

When Western's basketball team lost to Edmondson in the finals of the Public School's Tournament a month ago it not only ended a streak for the basketball team, but it also ended a winning streak other teams at the school had built up.

One such team is the softball team, which has compiled a 28 - 0 mark over the past two seasons, fortunate two championships.

This year, the team hopes to be more fortunate than the basketball team, and keep its personal streak alive, but if it does, it will be the play of newcomers from last season's junior varsity, also city champs, showing a 9 - 0 record.

Head coach Joni Scholwin gets back seven members from last season's varsity, two seniors; but only one a starter, Diane Alston, a good defensive player who batted well over .300 last year.

The only other returnee who has adequate experience on varsity is Terri Shrader, who was the team's second pitcher last year.

"The newcomers will surely help," Ms. Scholwin said. "They are very earger, quick to pick up and enthusiastic."

Three of the 10 players who moved up from the JV that the team will depend upon are basketball standout Sauncirae Alexander, Sherri Lewis and June Daniels.

The returnee's mentioned earlier, with the exception of Pam Willie, an outfielder, are Karen Speaker, Pilar Rodriquez, Diana Eckart and Debbie Brashewitz, all juniors.

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'Magic' is close to clearing $1M in rookie year

LANSING, Mich. (UPI) — Magic Johnson, the Los Angeles Lakers' rookie sensation, says he's come close to clearing $1 million since he turned pro.

But he won't let it change him.

"I don't want to turn Hollywood," Johnson, 20, said during a recent visit to his hometown. "I just want to be me."

The former Michigan State star has contracts with at least nine businesses, including Magic 1000 copying machines, the Magic Cookie Company and more traditional firms such as Seven-Up and Oldsmobile.

Even though he anticipated his celebrity status, Johnson said he never expected the flood of deals.

"We've been doing so very well it even scares me a little," he said. "Opportunities just keep coming along, and my lawyer has been doing a great job of picking the right ones. It's really kind of mind-boggling."

While other young stars have been ruined by the shock of hitting the big time, Johnson said it has made him grow up a little faster.

"I've had to," he said. "I'm close to clearing a million dollars, and I've had to take on a maturity that wasn't there before."

Also caused a privacy problem — one solved by his connection with Oldsmobile. Fans in Los Angeles recognize Johnson's baby blue Mercedes-Benz, but not his other car.

"So when I want to get away by myself, just go somewhere without people noticing, I use the Olds," he said, laughing.

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