

St. Jude 'Walks' Over St. Kilian, 9-8, in Eighth

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scored on Baldowski's single to left to give Kilian a 4-3 lead. "They only got one guys! Let's score. Line drives. They only have three outfielders," said Tony Perfilio as the Judes came in to bat. The Judes failed to score in the fourth, but did plate a run in the fifth on Perfilio's RBI grounder to third. As Kilian came to the plate in the fifth, sensing his team's string of bad luck, Baldowski commented, "We need an act of God to win."

The act almost happened as Kilian scuffed the plate four times in the inning to grab an 8-4 lead. Joe Nam-June (2 hits) tapped an RBI single, and Harry Semple (2 hits) followed with an RBI single. Grycan scribbled a two-run single past third. St. Jude matched Kilian's output to knot the score, 8-8, in the fifth. D'Arreca and Middleton hit back-to-back RBI singles, and Favorito lined a two-run single to center. "It's the battle of the Titans here,"

mumbled Semple. After St. Jude failed to score in the sixth, Bialos blurted as Kilian came in to bat in the seventh, "We are where we want to be in the lineup." Kilian ran into some misfortune though when Hackett, who was on third base, tagged up and scored on a lined shot off Baldowski's bat that Banasiak snagged in leftfield. An appeal play ensued and Hackett was ruled out for leaving the base too soon. "That was a game-saving catch. I thought I had him," Baldowski said of Banasiak's grab. Kilian got two singles in the eighth but failed to score. Jude's Miller hacked a leadoff single past second. Bob Cihanowyz (1 hit) lined out to left, and Fornoff lined out to Bialos. After a discussion on strategy, Bialos opted to give respective intentional free passes to D'Arreca and Middleton. Banasiak drew his walk, and Miller strolled home with the winning run.

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TRYING TO GET THE PICKOFF...Raider pitcher Nick McCormack fires to first baseman Jake Friedman in an effort to pickoff Miller Ben Bograd in the third inning at Gumbert 2 Field in Westfield.



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OUT ON A CLOSE CALL...St. Jude first baseman Daryl Fornoff makes the catch in time to get the putout on St. Kilian's David Hackett in the fourth inning at Jerseyland Field in Scotch Plains on July 6. St. Jude pulled out a 9-8 victory with a bases-loaded walk in the eighth inning.

Millburn Stings Raiders, 8-0

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stolen base, two RBI and two runs scored. Ben Bograd rapped an RBI single, stole two bases and scored once. Connor Lally walked twice, stole a base and scored once. Peter Serruto (run scored) and Kyle Mazur each singled. But it was Peter Gula, who put on the finishing touch. Not only did he single in the fourth, but he also blasted a two-run home run to cap a five-run fifth inning.

"Every game we played in was a dogfight, win or lose, including this one. We were in this game until the fifth inning. There were 13 solid teams. To take fourth out of 13 with these guys, I will take it. These guys gave it everything they had," Coach Higgins said. "We were excited about getting a second chance to stay alive in the tournament. I think they were determined to do everything in their power to keep this run going," Coach Ford said.

"We wanted to be more aggressive today. We kind of sat back in the last game and didn't take the game to them. Today, we decided that we were going to take the game to them," Coach Ford said.

Millburn scored three runs on three hits in the third inning but broke it open in the fifth with five runs on three hits, including Gula's home run, and two walks, four stolen bases and an RBI sacrifice fly from Mike Kologlu.

Throughout the Ripken District 12 Tournament, the Raiders and Millburn constantly faced fierce competition.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

BOROUGH OF FANWOOD PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that the PLANNING BOARD OF THE BOROUGH OF FANWOOD, after public hearing on May 23, 2012 granted approval for lot coverage, width and front setback. Property in question is owned by Lawrence Lester, at 172 Second Street, Fanwood, being Block 104 and Lot 1. Documents pertaining to this application are available for public inspection at Borough Hall during normal business hours. Mr. Lawrence Lester 172 Second Street Fanwood, New Jersey 07023 1 T - 7/12/12, The Times Fee: \$15.81

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TOWNSHIP OF SCOTCH PLAINS
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Township Council of the Township of Scotch Plains has scheduled a Special Meeting for THURSDAY, July 12, 2012. The meeting will begin at 11:30 a.m. and be held in the 2nd Floor Council Meeting Room of the Scotch Plains Municipal Building, 430 Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. The purpose for this meeting will be approval of a Bill List Resolution for June 20, 2012 through July 9, 2012. Formal action may be taken. This notice is given for the purpose of compliance with notice provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act NJSA 10:4-6 et seq. and will be posted, mailed and filed in accordance with the said provisions of the said Act at least 48 hours prior to said meeting. The Township of Scotch Plains does not discriminate against persons with disabilities. Those individuals requiring auxiliary aids and services must notify the ADA Coordinator of the Township of Scotch Plains as soon as possible in advance of the meeting. BOZENA LACINA, Municipal Clerk 1 T - 7/12/12, The Times Fee: \$27.03



The award-winning Westfield home, as photographed by Mike Mroz

Michael Robert Construction Receives First Place Award

WESTFIELD - Michael Robert Construction, a Westfield-based home construction company owned by Westfield resident and native, Mike Mroz, won an award during the Community Builders and Remodelers Association of New Jersey awards dinner last month.

The company won first place in the category of Best Historic Renovation for their work on remodeling, expanding and preserving the integrity of a Westfield home from the 1930s. This Colonial home underwent a complete renovation in 2011 by reworking the floor plan and adding a 1,500-square-foot addition. The project was designed and built by Michael Robert Construction. The goal of the seven-month renovation was to honor the house's Colonial roots and architectural integrity, while incorporating all the modern amenities to achieve a casual, comfortable feel. The performance of the home was enhanced by incorporating green features provided by Green Energy Improvements, a sister company of Michael Robert Construction. This is one of the only Energy Star Renova-

tions in Westfield, N.J.

The entire home was reworked, from the front to back and top to bottom. The front facade and three front rooms (dining room, foyer and formal living room) are the only original spaces. The addition was designed to mimic the existing structure and style. As the judges on the CBRANJ panel noted, this was so well achieved that visitors to the home often inquire about where the addition begins and the original home ends.

Mr. Mroz, a Westfield High School alum, founded Michael Robert Construction in 2003. The company specializes in high-end additions, renovations and new homes. Based on his Whole House Approach that is discussed at length on his website, Mr. Mroz incorporates energy audits and renovations in all of his projects, and offers energy audits and improvements to local residents through his sister company, Green Energy Improvements. For more information, please visit www.MichaelRobertConstruction.com.

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