

The Champion Young Home Team: Kneeling, 1-r: John Seigla, Bob Zawidski, Brian Jette, Bob Montelione and Ernie Flores. Standing, 1-r: Manager Tom Erpelding, Dennis Colbert, Dennis LePore, Gene Granquist, Jeff Jay and Dennis Kennedy. (Courtesy of Lensation Photo Labs)

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YOUNG REALTY WINS LAKES DIVISION TOURNEY By Larry Wolfe

The Winter Softball League ended with a seeded double-elimination tournament. In the Lakes Division tournament opener, the number two-seeded Young Realty team edged third-seeded Wolfe & Associates 13-12. Jeff Jay and Dennis LePore paced the Realtors with three hits each while Doug Warwick had a walk and three hits for the Wolves.

In the second game, the fourth-seeded A-1 Golf Cart squad upset the number one-seeded Core Photography team by a 21-16 score. Bob Montelione had a perfect 5 for 5 game for the Golfers while Terry Zeltinger added four base

knocks; Mike Willits was 3 for 3 with two walks. Frank Rouse spearheaded the Photographers attack with four hits and a walk while Manager Gary Hillabolt added three singles and a double.

Two more games were played on the second day of the three-day tournament. The Young Realtors continued their winning ways with a 14-11 win over A-1 Golf Carts. Pitcher Gene Granquist was 4 for 4 with a single, two doubles and a triple to lead the way for the Realtors. (Who said pitchers can't hit?) Tom Lorgan and Mike Willits were both 3 for 3 with a walk for the Golfers.

In the losers bracket Core Photography eliminated Wolfe & Associates in a 19-18 nail biter. The Photographers were led by Dave Boone, Wayne Newman and Frank Rouse with four hits each. Gary Brinkman was 3 for 3 with a walk for the hard-luck Wolves.

On day three, the Photographers rolled over the A-1 Golfers by a 14-3 count. Frank Rouse again led the way for the Lensmen with two singles and a double while nobody did much for the Golfers.

In the championship game the Young Realty team beat the Photographers 18-11. In a well-balanced attack, the Realtors jumped off to a 10-0 lead and cruised to victory. Tom Erpelding, Jeff Jay, Bob Montelione, Gene Granquist and Brian Jette had three hits each for the winners. Jerry Smith had a perfect 4 for 4 day for Photographers while Wayne Newman was 3 for 3 with a walk.

Congratulations to Manager Tom Erpelding and his Young Home Team.