



Members of the Redeemed Team having fun at the Field of Dreams. Front, team sponsors Michelle Hudak & Suzy Steinmann; second row: Kelly Anderson, John Castro & Dave Platt; Back row: John Cooper, Rick Oien, Greg Lemmon, Mgr. Larry Kaufmann & Mark Durben. Absent: Mark Alop

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Winter Softball Update By Larry Wolfe

At press time, the Skyview Digital Media team, managed by Bill McCoy, had clinched the Lakes Division title with a record of 12 wins, seven losses and one tie. The Sun Division pennant race was too close to call, with Wolfe & Associates, managed by Ron Carmichael, and the Spooner PT squad, managed by Randy Neumann, battling down to the wire.

The top average hitters in the Lakes Division were Vern Rodgers (.745), Manny Verduco (.730), Dennis LePore (.721), Tim Loeffler (.720) and Brian Brockman (.698). Brockman (17), Rodgers (10) and Loeffler (8) were the leaders in homeruns.

Over in the Sun Division, Marty Hobby was leading the league with a robust .852 average, followed by Dan Melosi (.808), Tom Bersano (.778), Bob Wicks (.761) and Larry Kaufmann (.760). Top homerun hitters were Hobby (26), Greg Lemmon (25), Wicks (23), Bersano (21) and Mike Lebet and Tom Stephens (both with 20 taters).

We'll recap the final Winter Sessions standings and stats in the next edition of the *Splash*.

Our Chief Statistician, Jim Entwistle, pointed out that we recently had a rarity down at the field. In the Lakes Division, The Skyview Digital Media team shut out the Young Realty Team 12-0. That was the first shutout in that division in nearly three years. The last shutout in the Sun Division was two years ago when the Brenden Financial squad shellacked Farmers Insurance 22-0! Since the average score is 17-11 in the Lakes Division and 21-16 in the Sun Division, a shutout is truly an uncommon occurrence.

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Our softball family experienced some very sad times recently. Bill Maxwell's wife, Doris, passed away after a years-long struggle with several health issues; Jeff and Connie Jay's son lost his long battle with cancer and Dave and Anita Boone's son passed away unexpectedly. Our thoughts and prayers are with them and their families and friends.