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Freeze cools Scenics twice to open season

The Niagara Scenics lost twice to open their North American Junior A Hockey League season.

The Detroit Freeze dealt the Scenics a 6-3 loss Friday at West Seneca Recreation Center, despite two goals by Niagara's John Braun, then won again Saturday, 5-1. Chris Rurak netted the lone Scenics goal.

Niagara hosts the Saginaw Gears next Friday and Saturday.

Founder of baseball board games dies at 77

LANCASTER, Pa. -- John Richard Seitz, a baseball fanatic who turned his passion into board games that thousands enjoy today, died Saturday morning. He was 77.

Seitz, founder of the APBA Game Co., died unexpectedly at St. Joseph Hospital. Doctors say he apparently suffered a massive heart attack.

Seitz devised his first baseball board game in high school and formed the American Professional Baseball Club in 1931 with eight classmates.

He later formed APBA Game Co., then expanded to other professional sports and added computer versions.

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