

*This season marks the 25<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> anniversaries of the memorable 1984 Cubs and 1959 White Sox teams, respectively. Each week the Chicago Baseball Museum chronicles the significant events that took place at a similar time in their dramatic seasons.*

### **This time it's Reuschel to the rescue, as Cubs edge Expos to keep lead**

CHICAGO, Aug. 3 – Another day, another hero.

That has been a familiar formula for the Cubs this season, and they used it again in a 4-3 victory against the Montreal Expos at Wrigley Field on Sunday afternoon.

None other than 35-year-old pitcher Rick Reuschel stepped up to play the role. Two weeks after the veteran right-hander was lifted from the rotation, he pitched three innings of one-hit, no-run relief in his best performance of the season.

A crowd of 34,142 fans watched the Cubs maintain their one-half game lead over the New York Mets in the East Division chase.

In the third inning, Keith Moreland slugged a grand slam home run to stake starter Rich Bordi to a 4-1 lead. The four-bagger off rookie pitcher Rick Grapenthin was his 13<sup>th</sup> of the season.

The Expos cut the difference to 4-3 on an Andre Dawson homer and a Doug Flynn RBI single in the fourth inning, after which Reuschel came in to protect the lead.

Reuschel (5-5) was credited for the victory, while Lee Smith pitched the final two innings to earn his 24th save.

National League East standings: 1. Cubs 64-45 --; 2. New York 62-44 0.5; 3. Philadelphia 58-50 5.5; 4. St. Louis 55-55 9.5; 5. Montreal 52-56 11.5; 6. Pittsburgh 47-64 18.

### **White Sox gain doubleheader split, maintain American League lead**

BALTIMORE, Aug. 3 – When veteran Dick Donovan left the rotation because of a shoulder problem two weeks ago, the White Sox were hopeful that Barry Latman would help fill the void. What they couldn't imagine was that the kid pitcher would seize the opportunity to this extent.

The 23-year-old Latman pitched his best game of the season on Wednesday, when he blanked the Baltimore Orioles on three hits in a 2-0 victory at Memorial

Stadium. The Orioles earned a split of the two-night doubleheader, 7-1, as Arnie Portocarrero (2-6) went the distance on a five-hitter.

In his last three starts, Latman has a 2-1 record and 1.93 earned run average.

The White Sox provided Latman (5-4) the only run that he would need in the second inning. Jim McAnany stroked a two-out single off Orioles starter Jack Fisher (0-3) that scored John Romano from third base.

In the second game, veteran Early Wynn (14-7) encountered control problems en route to his first setback in the last four decisions. He walked seven batters before he was lifted after 3 2/3 innings.

The White Sox kept pace with the second-place Cleveland Indians, who split a twin bill versus the Senators in Washington.

American League standings: 1. White Sox 63-42 --; 2. Cleveland 62-45 2; 3. Baltimore 55-54 10; 4. Kansas City 52-53 11; 5. New York 51-53 11.5; 6. Detroit 52-56 12.5; 7. Boston 47-59 16.5; 8. Washington 44-64 20.5.