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2023 Greater St. Louis Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame Inductees



2023 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

2023 Greater STL Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame Inductees:

Front Row (L to R): Steve Overbey (Jack Buck Award), Kent Weisenstein, Brian Boehringer (Bob Burnes Award), Aaron Jaworowski, Sean Loggins (on behalf of Vince Loggins).

Middle Row (L to R): John Schnurbusch, Kevin Jett, A.J. Koenig, Doug Schaefer, Joe Mehallow

Back Row (L to R): Mike Jockish, Mike Tallis, Al Spector, Ed Wheatley, Jr., Marty Stein.

2024 || ►

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BASEBALL HALL OF FAME.

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TO THIS YEAR'S INDUCTEES!



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GREATER ST. LOUIS **HALL OF FAME** AMATEUR BASEBALL



To all 2024 Inductees:

Welcome to the Hall!



Congratulations from the
Greater St. Louis Amateur Baseball
Hall of Fame Board of Directors

PROGRAM

Master of Ceremonies.	Voice of the SLU Billikens, Bob Ramsey
Invocation.	Marty McCabe
Presentation of Bob Broeg Award.	Keith Schildroth
Presentation of Jack Buck Media Award.	Keith Schildroth
Presentation of J. Kim Tucci Legacy Award	Bob Ramsey
Presentation of Bob Burnes Award.	George Csolak
Presentation of Rising Star Award	Bob Ramsey
Inductions	Bob Ramsey

2024 INDUCTEES

PLAYERS:

Brad Bollinger
Matt Boxdorfer
Pete Delkus
Tom Franke
Lonnie Maclin
John Parke
Dave Pregon

PLAYERS:

Wayne Rohlfing
Lance Schuermann
Bob Wilber
Brent Wood

MANAGERS/COACHES:

John Meyer
Jim Wright

CONTRIBUTORS:

Bob Blank

UMPIRES:

Tom Swoboda

DINNER MENU

~~Westport Salad: Mixed greens, roasted red peppers, sliced onions,
honey-peppered walnuts, fresh shaved Parmesan cheese
& herb vinaigrette dressing

~Assorted Warm Breads & Butter

~Chicken Marsala: sautéed boneless breast of chicken
served with a Marsala wine mushroom sauce

~Garlic Mashed Potatoes

~Green Beans

~Carrot Cake

Freshly Brewed Regular & Decaffeinated Coffee & Selection of Fine Teas

The Greater St. Louis Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame was founded in 1973 to honor those players, coaches, umpires and contributors who have helped amateur baseball flourish in the Gateway City. The STL ABHOF celebrates the rich history of St. Louis amateur baseball by recognizing those individuals who have contributed on the field as an outstanding player, coach or umpire or off the field as an organizer or contributor. The STL ABHOF is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to promoting and recognizing individuals who have excelled in St. Louis amateur baseball during their career. Over 800 individuals have been honored since the first class of inductees in 1974.



Along with honoring past players, coaches, umpires and contributors, the STL ABHOF has expanded recognition to an even wider playing field:

In 1995, the Rising Star Award was born. This award honors high school baseball players and their coaches for outstanding play.

In 2001, the STL ABHOF created the Bob Broeg Award to honor a high school baseball coach who excels as a teacher, coach and mentor for their respective high school team.

The Bob Burnes Lifetime Achievement Award, established in 2004, honors a player from the Greater St. Louis Area who has achieved success at the professional level.

In 2012 the STL ABHOF created the Jack Buck Media Award, which is presented to a distinguished member of the St. Louis media who has promoted, reported, broadcast, provided analysis or play-by-play about the game of baseball in a professional manner during their career.

In 2018, the inaugural STL ABHOF Legacy Award was created to recognize a person or organization that has a proven track record of dedication to the great game of baseball in the Greater St. Louis area. This award recognizes people and /or organizations at all levels of competition – professional, amateur and youth baseball. In 2020, the award was renamed the J. Kim Tucci Legacy award in honor of the late owner of The Pasta House Company.

ABHOF ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

To be eligible for induction, candidates must have the following minimum qualifications for consideration:

- Have reached the age of 40
- Have participated in an STL ABHOF approved level of amateur baseball for at least eight (8) seasons after high school. Each college season and summer season counts individually. Minor league playing time will be accepted. Appearances in the major leagues shall be limited to 120 or fewer AB's and five (5) or fewer pitching appearances.
- Have participated for at least one (1) year in the Greater St. Louis area.

All candidates must complete an application and submit it to the board no later than October 1 annually. For applications go to: www.stlabhof.com or contact: stl.abhof@gmail.com.

PREVIOUS INDUCTEES

	Year	Status		Year	Status
Bob Abeln	2016	PI	Robert Boehlow	1985	PI
Jon A. Adamson	2006	PI	Urban J. Boehmer	1977	PI
Tom Ahrens	1995	PI	Louis J. Boggiano, Jr.	1975	PI
John F. Ailworth	1985	PI	Jess Ray Bolen	2013	Co
Norman Albrecht	1989	Co	Thomas J. Bond	1993	Co
John Michael Amoroso	1991	Um	Pat Bone	2015	PI
Vincent J. Androlewicz	1997	Um	Ronald P. Bone	1992	PI
John J. Archibald	2003	Co	William Boswell	1980	Co
George A. Arft	1980	Co	Kevin Bowers	2017	Co
Allen Wayne Armstrong	1996	PI	Herbert Bracken	1977	PI
Dick Armbruster	1987	PI	Ken Braden	1990	PI
Jack Arnold	1976	PI	William Bradley	1990	PI
Jesse Askew	1981	PI	Jim Brady	2008	Co
Ron Auer	2005	PI	Joseph G. Brady	1975	PI
Mike Austerman	2004	PI	Thomas G. Brady	2006	PI
Kevin Austin	2019	PI	Norman Roger Brauss	1997	Um
Edward (Ed) Baeumker	1982	PI	Glen L. Brickey	1997	PI
Raymond A. Bahr	2001	PI	Jim Brickey	2000	Um
Hubert (Dickey) Ballentine	1977	PI	Robert P. Briner	1985	PI
Roger Banze	2019	PI	Terry L. Broccard	2000	PI
Richard J. Barr	1986	Ctr	Ken Brockmann	1991	PI
Edward J. Barry	1986	PI	Bob Broeg	1995	Co
Gene Barth	1988	PI	Lynn Broemmelsick	1993	PI
Bert Barth	1992	PI	Thomas E. "Tom" Brooks	1979	Co
Tony Barylski	2015	PI	John W. Brown	1975	PI
Lee Basso	1995	Co	Ivory Brown	1991	PI
Garrett Bauer	2022	PI	Scott Brown	2016	PI
Joseph A. Bauer	1987	PI	Robert W. Brueggeman	1978	Co
Earl J. Bayer	1994	PI	William Ray Buchanan, Jr.	2012	Um
Theodore A. Beck	1988	PI	Robert Buschmann	2011	PI
William Becher	2022	Co	Henry A. Buffa	1991	Co
Dave Beckering	2014	PI	Billy Joe Bullock	1987	PI
Ralph "Red" Beckering	2012	PI	Bill Bunton	2012	PI
Adolph G. Beckmann, Jr.	1986	PI	Bob Bunton	2018	Co
Bert Beckmann	1999	PI	Harold Burbach	1989	PI
Bradford "Doc" Beckwith	2012	PI/Co	Jerry Burbes	2012	PI
Joseph A. Beelek	1988	PI	Milton C. Burkhardt	1990	Um
Patrick Beilsmith	2013	PI/Co	Frank Burkhardt	2016	Co
Bob Benben	2007	Co	Donald E. Burrus	1997	Co
John P. Bender	2002	Co	James A. (Jack) Caito	1988	PI
Sheldon A. Bender	1984	PI	Wally Cammarata	2009	PI
Paul H. Benne	1988	PI	Robert J. Cannon, Sr.	2008	PI
Ken Bennett	2001	PI	Tony Caradonna	2009	PI
William H. Bereitschaft	1992	PI	Vic Caradonna	1991	PI
John L. Bernard	1993	PI	Joseph S. Carenza	1982	Co
Louis A. Bertani	2004	PI	Joel C. Carr	1978	PI
Steve Biederman	2019	PI	Richard R. Carr	1985	PI
August Bieg	1998	PI	Orville P. Carter	1988	PI
Howard "Hank" Biermann	2022	PI	Don Carter	1992	PI
Bill Binsbacher	2000	PI	Ezell Carter	1994	PI
Tom B. Bishop	2003	Co	Scott Cepicky	2022	PI
Leo Blandina	1992	PI	Brannon (Boo) Champagne	2017	PL
Julius D. Blanke	1997	Co	Babe Champion	2017	Co
Fred Blasberg	1996	PI	Keith Champion	2017	PI
Joseph W. Blessing	1977	PI	Kirk Champion	2019	Co
Fred A. Blumberg	2012	Co	Ed Chard	1999	Co

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Elijah (Little Chris) Chism	1979	Pl	Charles C. Diering	2005	Pl
Bob Christian	2006	Co	Robert Diering	2006	Pl
Darin Cissell	2020	Ctr	Douglas Dietz	2018	Pl
Jack H. Clark	1982	Co	Frank Dinyer	1996	Pl
Leonard E. Clark	1989	Pl	Jim Dix	1998	Pl
William Clark	2000	Pl	Thomas Dix	1998	Pl
Willie Roy Clay	2001	Co	Jim Doerr	2000	Pl
Ray Cliffe	1989	Um	Ed Dixon	1982	Pl
Ron Clifton	2010	Co	Harry L. Donovan	1975	Um
John H. Coburn	1994	Um	Larry Donovan	2001	Um
Lewis P. Cochran	2005	Pl	David D. Drake	2004	Pl
Terry Cochran	2020	Pl	Dr. Bill Droege	2005	Pl
Charles Coe	2002	Pl	William Harvey Drummond	1983	Pl
Darrell Collins	2015	Pl	Mark Drury	2015	Pl
Garrett Collins	2014	Co	Anthony W. (Sam) Dueker	1982	Pl
Julius "Ken" Collins, Jr.	2016	Pl	Joseph A. Dueker	1982	Pl
Pete Colombatto	2009	Pl	Tony Duenas	2023	Pl
Charles A. Conners	1977	Pl	Bobby Dunahue	2013	Co
Donald G. Cooksey	2002	Pl	Gary Dunahue	2013	Um
Arnold Copeland	2018	Co	Steve Dunahue	2019	Um
John Corcoran	1974	Pl	Robert Dunard	2012	Pl
Jim Crane	2020	Ctr	R. Dennis Duncan	2009	Um
John W. Creamer	1979	Pl	Robert Duncan	2000	Pl
Jack M. Cronin	1996	Co	Mike Dunnigan	2011	Pl
Kit Crooks	2019	Pl	Wilbert Easter	1991	Pl
Nathaniel L. Crump	1992	Pl	Arthur E. Eberwein	1992	Pl
George Csolak	1995	Pl	Kenneth A. Eckardt	1996	Co
Jerry Cunningham	1991	Pl	Thomas Eckelman	1998	Pl
Harry J. Curdt	1976	Co	John Eckmayer	2007	Pl
Warren H. Currier	1975	Pl	James Economon	2014	Ctr
Chuck Curry	2020	Pl	Ron Edgar	2001	Pl
John Dangos	1996	Pl	Frank (Teanie) Edward	1976	Pl
Raymond M. Danner, Sr.	1976	Pl	Curtis W. Edwards	2000	Pl
C.W. Bill Dark	2004	Pl	William Edwards	1985	Pl
William Daum	1974	Pl	James K. Ehlmann	2011	Pl
William Daues, Sr.	2007	Pl	Bernard Eisenbath	1974	Pl
William Daues, Jr.	2009	Pl	Clifford (Doc) Elliot	1996	Pl
Ross Davis	1985	Pl	Raymond G. Elliot	2000	Co
William M. Davis	2004	Um	Byron (Barney) Elser	2011	Pl
Walter B. DeBaets	1979	Pl	Norman (Smokey) Engelmann	1994	Pl
Anthony F. DeFilio	1990	Co	Lee E. Engert	1990	Pl
Ray DeGreef	1979	Pl	Rodney Epps	2011	Pl
Rev. Clarence Deloch	2013	Pl	Thomas J. Erbe	1981	Um
Francis DeLong	1974	Um	Harry W. Eschenbrenner	1974	Pl
Johnny Denmon	2015	Pl	J. Edwards Evans	1976	Pl
Gene DeSalme	1977	Pl	Robert Everett	1992	Pl
Ches Deuser	1989	Pl	Bob Faron	2013	Pl
(Bing) Devine	1995	Pl	Joseph J. Faron	2005	Pl
Henry (Red) Diaz	1981	Pl	Jules J. Faron	1984	Pl
Joseph (Red) Dickens	1987	Co	Nelson J. Faron	1993	Pl
Dave Dickens	1991	Pl	Mario (Mike) Farotto	1982	Pl
Spencer Dickerson	1981	Co	Louis Farotto	1985	Pl
George J. Dickherber	1987	Pl	John Faszholz	2009	Pl
Louis R. Dickherber	1990	Pl	Paul Fauks	2000	Co
George L. Dickherber, Sr.	1975	Pl	Charles Fayne	2001	Pl
Ron Dieckmann	2004	Pl	Walter Ferguson	1992	Pl

PREVIOUS INDUCTEES (CONTINUED)

	Year	Status		Year	Status
Joseph (Apples) Fernandez	1990	PI	John W. Green	1978	PI
Richard Fiala	2009	PI	Leslie (Chin) Green	1982	PI
Neil A. Fiala	1987	PI	William Green	1998	PI
Neil Fiala	2007	PI	James J. Greenwald	2005	PI
Charles (Charlie) Fichter	1983	PI	Brent A. Gregston	2005	Co
Walter Finke	2007	PI	Henry Greifzu, Jr.	1980	PI
Frank Finnegan	1987	PI	Harold Grice	2018	PL
Pete J. Fix	1974	Co	Stanley Gromacki	1975	Um
Edward L. Flier	1985	PI	Albert G. Grosch	1976	Co
Stephen Folle	2010	PI	Milton W. Gruber	1996	PI
Mark Forchee	2022	PI	Monte F. Gummels	1979	PI
Martin J. (Bud) Foster	1990	Co	Joe Gummersbach	1991	PI
Robert Foster	1998	PI	Harry W. Gurley	2001	PI
Thomas J. Franey, Jr.	1977	PI	Keith Guttin	2016	Co
George P. Frank	1985	PI	William Haberthier	1986	Co
Bill Franz	2006	Um	Steve Hacker	2020	PI
Aaron Franzen	1993	Co	Frederick W. Hackmann	1980	PI
Harry C. Freise	1974	PI	Clarence H. Hackmann	1981	PI
Paul M. Frese	2003	Um	Ed Haefler	1978	PI
Roy C. Frick	1979	PI	Elbert (Gabby) Haenssler	2010	Um
Lonnie Fulte	2006	PI	Mark Hahn	2014	PI
Paul L. Fultz	1974	Co	Walter C. Hammermeister	2002	PI
Bill Funkhouser	2001	PI	Sylvester E. Hanebrink	1976	PI
Tim Funkhouser	2019	Co	Leroy F. Hankins	1975	Co
John C. Fussner	1979	PI	Hubert C. (Bert) Hannum	1979	Co
Don Gabbert	1985	Co	Bob Hantak	1989	PI
Elmer P. Gabel	1978	PI	Robert B. Hardcastle	1994	PI
William (Willie) Gabel	1997	PI	John L. Harness	1986	PI
Louis A. Gabris	1984	PI	Larry Harris	2019	PI
John Galimberti	1984	PI	Luke E. Hart, Jr.	1985	Co
Thomas Gallagher	2014	PI	Edmund Harty	1994	PI
Ron Garn	2004	Co	Harry L. Haskins	1990	PI
Steve Garrow	2019	PI	Johnie Hasmer	1978	PI
Ed Gasaway	2016	Ctr	George V. Hasser	1981	Co
Charles G. Gateley	2003	Co	Lester Hatchard	1976	Um
William A. Geary	2005	Co	Bert Haug	1982	Co
Joseph Gegg	2018	PI	Dennis Hauswirth	2014	PI
Morton L. Gelber	1990	PI	Jerry B. Hawkins	1994	PI
Fred C. Geldmacher	1985	Co	William J. Hawley	1983	PI
Charles (Lefty) George	1986	PI	Al Hedrick	1998	PI
Matthew Giegling	2017	PI	Harry Heinemann	1977	PI
Walter Giesler	1982	Co	Mel Heinkel	1981	PI
Larry Giovanni	2003	PI	Armin Hemsath, Jr.	2011	PI
Carl Glaser	1997	PI	Norbert Hemsath	2008	PI
Gary Glasscock	2018	PI	Raymond W. Henderson	1997	PI
Cliford Glenhorn	1989	PI	Richard P. (Percy) Henderson	1979	PI
Bill Goff	2005	PI	Darin Hendrickson	2017	Co
Harold Gold	1978	PI	John L. Hennerich	1980	PI
Jack (Yogi) Gold	1988	PI	Bernard Hennessy	1992	PI
Donald Gonzalez	2008	Um	Joseph R. Hermen	1979	PI
Garland Goodwin	1996	PI	John Herzing	2022	PI
Robert Granda	1996	Um	Renard H. Heydt	1984	PI
Bob Graves	2008	PI	Charles Hezel	2001	PI
Rich Grawer	1994	PI	Victor Hezel	1992	PI
Jack Gray	1982	PI	Richard A. (Dick) Hibbeler	1991	PI
Harold (Tug) Gray	1995	PI	Arthur E. Hill	2011	Co
Albert C. Green	1985	PI	Charlie Hillemann	2020	PI

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Ralph W. Hochgrebe	1988	Pl	Justin T. (Jinks) Keenoy	1983	Pl
Raymond L. Hodge	1993	Co	Robert V. Kehoe	1999	Pl
Frank F. Hoerig	1990	Pl	Joseph D. Keller	1976	Co
Arthur Hofer	1976	Pl	Ray Keller	1989	Pl
George W. Hoffmiester	1977	Co	Jerry Kelly	2009	Pl
David Holder	2015	Pl	Clay L. Kerley	1986	Pl
Orville Hollrah	2016	Pl	Edward Kestler	1982	Pl
Vance E. Hollrah	1983	Pl	Earl Kestler	1991	Pl
David Hoolan	2010	Pl	George Khoury, Sr.	1974	Co
John W. Horn, Jr.	1997	Co	James Kick	2002	Pl
John W. Horn, Sr.	1999	Co	Ron Kinney	2014	Pl
Robert L. Horneyer	1979	Pl	Louis W. Kissel	1986	Pl
Joel Housewright	2015	Pl	Leonard G. Klaus	1982	Pl
Frank R. Houston	2012	Pl	Leonard Klaus, Jr.	2014	Pl
Hy Hovack	1983	Pl	Bob Kleen	2003	Pl
Raymond Howard	2014	Pl	Jerry Kleeschulte	2017	Pl
Raymond P. Hrabovsky	2008	Pl	Al Kleier	1994	Pl
Donald J. Hrebec	2001	Pl	Ollie Klosterman	1989	Co
Palmer Hubbard, Sr.	1987	Pl	Ken Klump	2022	Pl
Lee C. Hudson	1990	Co	Ollie Klund	1987	Pl
Bob Hughes	2003	Pl	Wilfred A. Klutho	1993	Pl
Harold Hummel	1978	Co	Erwin A. Knueppe	1988	Co
John Lee Hundley	1980	Pl	John Koeber	2006	Co
Leonard Hunt	1997	Pl	Louis E. Koeneman	1987	Pl
Norvall M. Hunthausen	1977	Pl	A.J. Koenig	2023	Ctr
Donald A. Hurt	1987	Pl	Wilson C. Koewing	1975	Pl
Clarence Huster	1980	Co	Charles J. Kohler	1979	Pl
Cowan (Bubber) Hyde	1994	Pl	Sel Kohrs	1980	Co
Dominic Italiano	1986	Pl	Gus G. Konrad	1988	Pl
Harold Jackson	2009	Pl	Ed Kopff	2017	Pl
Vernell Jackson	2001	Pl	Brian Korbesmeyer	2001	Pl
Ernest (Turk) Jacobs	1996	Pl	Kenneth J. Kortum	1993	Pl
Roy K. Jaeger	1993	Pl	Mike Kraft	2018	Pl
Warren N. Jaeger	1993	Pl	Carl A. Kramer	1984	Pl
Paul James	2016	Pl	Anthony (Tony) Kreft	1974	Pl
Aaron Jaworowski	2023	Pl	John Krifka	1985	Pl
Larry Jennewein	2002	Co	Robert A. Krueger	1976	Pl
Kevin Jett	2023	Pl	Richard Krueger	1994	Co
Mike Jockish	2023	Pl	Clifford Kruse	1995	Um
Webster C. Johnson	1985	Pl	George (Marty) Kunkler	2013	Pl
Everett P. Johnston	1977	Pl	Thos Kutis	1974	Co
Brenda Joyce Jones	2011	Ctr	Robert Lee Ladd	2004	Pl
David C. Jones, Jr.	1990	Co	Terry L'Ange	1997	Pl
Frank M. Jones	2001	Pl	Irl Lake	1999	Co
George K. Jones	1989	Co	Larry Lalumondiere	2019	Pl
Robert (Fox) Jones	1983	Pl	Henry Laminger	1989	Pl
Timothy S. Jones, Sr.	1997	Pl	Alfred (Dutch) Laminger	1990	Pl
Ed Joyce	2010	Pl	Jack Lane	1999	Pl
Frank Paul Joyner	2002	Pl	Edward W. (Red) Lanfersieck	1988	Um
Jim Kahlmeyer	1997	Pl	Jim Laws	2020	Pl
Harry A. Kahre	1990	Pl	Frank X. Lederle	1983	Pl
Victor Kalinowski	1991	Pl	Myrl Lee	2003	Co
Mike Kalist	1995	Co	Roy E. Lee	2012	Co
Terry Kasper	2010	Co	Ken Lehrmann	2010	Pl
Rick A. Kavanagh	2013	Pl	Vernon K. Lehrmann	1980	Pl
Richard Keefe	2011	Pl	Pete Leinicke	1983	Um
John A. Keenoy	2000	Pl	Harry Lemakis	2017	Pl

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Walter J. Lembeck	1997	PI	Paul (Lefty) McKee	1983	PI
Robert J. Lemmon	1977	PI	William McKenna	1975	PI
Ed Lepping	1982	Co	Dale J. McMullin	1988	PI
Robert W. Lesslie, Jr.	2013	PI	Thomas J. McPheeters	1983	PI
Ric Lessmann	1992	PI	J. Mickey McTiernan	1981	PI
Harrison J. Liebrum	1986	PI	James Medlock	1995	Co
Marvin Little	2007	PI	Charles Meeker	2022	Co
Norbert Litzinger	1991	PI	Gibbie (Gib) Meeks	1984	PI
Robert L. Loddeke	1985	PI	Joe Mehallo	2023	PI
Edgar Loehr	1974	PI	Richard Meisemann	1993	PI
Donald (Red) Loehr	1984	PI	Forrest Messel	2016	Co
Dick Loeser	1989	PI	Edward M. Metzger	1985	PI
Vince Loggins	2023	PI	Donald Joseph Meyer	1999	PI
William T. Lohmar, Jr.	2012	PI	Joe Meyer	1984	PI
Gus F. Lombardo	1996	Co	Rev. Monsignor Louis F. Meyer	1988	Co
Robert L. Long, Jr.	1999	PI	Harry W. Meyers	1974	PI
John Lonsberg	1989	PI	Gus Mezinis	2009	PI
Dave Loos	1997	PI	Al J. Mick	1974	Co
Robert (Bob) Louis	1991	PI	Tony Miles	2012	Co
David M. Lowman	1985	PI	Marvin G. (Bud) Miller	1999	Um
Gerald S. Lowther	1986	PI	Steve Miller	2020	Co
Fred Ludwig	1976	PI	Anderson (Andy) Minor	1997	PI
Frank Ludwig	1993	PI	Leslie Mitkos	1998	PI
Mark Ludwig	2014	PI	Carl (Butch) Modzinski	2003	PI
William Mackay	1981	PI	Clay Moehrs	2017	PI
Gordon F. Maguire	1978	Co	Vernell Moehrs	2003	PI
Ned Mahon	2014	Ctr	Bruce Monrotus	1987	PI
Robert E. Mallon	1996	PI	Joseph N. Montalbano	1980	Co
John Malagliati	1993	PI	Lee Moody	1993	PI
Matt Malone	2020	Um	Bennie Moore	2000	PI
Don Mana	2018	PI	Francis V. (Frank) Moore	1979	PI
Frank J. Mana	1981	PI	James P. Moore	2002	PI
Leo "Skip" Mann	2022	PI	John (Dinty) Moore	1984	PI
Gerald J. Mann	1990	PI	Don Moore	1995	Co
Stanley C. Mann	1984	PI	Edmund F. (Big Ed) Moran	1979	Co
Albert J. Marchand	1980	PI	Kenneth Morganstern	2002	Um
Greg Marecek	2002	Co	Edward Morgenthaler	1975	PI
Randy Martz	2016	Co	Frank A. Mormino	2002	Co
Jay Mason	2002	PI	Wilbert L. Mosby	1988	PI
William D. Matan	1997	PI	Jack Moser	1993	PI
Martin L. Mathews	1974	Co	Ray Mossman	1995	PI
Robert Matzenbacher	2014	PI	Alvin W. Mueller	1994	PI
John L. May	1999	PI	Charles E. Mueller	1999	PI
Willie T. Mayes	2020	Co	Charles O. Mueller	1980	PI
John A. McArthur	1984	Um	Earl D. Mueller	1991	Co
John McArthur, Jr.	2007	Co	Ed Mueller	2010	PI
Gene McArtor	1998	Co	Jerry Mueller	1995	PI
Eugene T. McAuliffe	1985	PI	Leroy W. Mueller	1983	PI
Martin R. McCabe	1999	PI	Les R. Mueller	1984	PI
Robert L. McCarron	1980	PI	Roy Mueller	2011	PI
Fred McConnell	2003	Co	Joseph M. Muich	2004	PI
Thos M. McConnell, Sr.	1975	PI	Donald E. Mumm	1986	PI
Thomas McCormack	1998	PI	Harry Munari	1980	Um
C.W. (Pat) McCready	1976	PI	Raymond Munari	1990	Um
John McDermott	2018	PI	Rick Mundy	2020	PI
Tom McDermott	2018	PI	Dan Murphy	2019	PI
Joe McDonnell	2005	PI	John Murphy	2014	PI

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Mal Murphy	1988	Pl	Fred H. Pohlmann	1977	Pl
Mike Murphy	2006	Pl	Mike Potthoff	2020	Pl
James R. Muskopf	2001	Co	Clifford Charles Poliette	1984	Pl
Anthony Musso	2007	Pl	Scott Posey	2005	Pl
Charles M. Nash	1994	Co	Nicholas (Dutch) Poth	1995	Um
Lonie Neeley	1995	Pl	Evan Pratte	2022	Pl
Roy R. Netzeband	1975	Pl	Mike Pratte	2009	Pl
Jack L. Netzeband	1988	Pl	Bill Pruneau	2011	Pl
Rusty Newman	2005	Pl	Ray Pujol	1992	Co
Roy D. Newsom	1974	Um	Kenneth Queen	1988	Co
Albert A. Nicolai	1974	Pl	Stephen (Steve) Raab	1983	Co
Ernest N. Nicoletti	1987	Um	William Radermacher III	2018	Um
Steve Nicollerat	2015	Co	Sylvester Raftery	1978	Pl
Kenneth L. Nieters	1987	Co	Charles Rathmann	1976	Co
Joe W. Nolan, Sr.	1978	Pl	Harold G. Rathmann	1991	Pl
Fred G. Naumann	1997	Pl	Lester W. Rauscher	1991	Pl
Robert Norris	1997	Pl	Greg Ready	2022	Pl
Hy Novack	1983	Pl	Sterling M. Redfern	1993	Co
Morris L. Novack	1976	Pl	Rich Reiker	2017	Um
Morris Joe Novack	1984	Pl	Jack Reiter	2015	Pl
Patrick (Steve) O'Reilly	1986	Pl	Harold (Beans) Reitz	1978	Pl
Norm Ochsner	2019	Co	Ed Relling	2017	Pl
August H. Ochterbeck	1977	Pl	Marvin Renken	1981	Pl
Andrew Olenyik	1991	Co	Terry Repp	2022	Pl
Frank G. Ollinger	1986	Pl	Edmund C. Richards	1980	Pl
Tilmon Olive	1998	Co	Billy Joe Richardson, Sr.	1998	Co
Eugene F. Orf	2013	Pl	Brian Richardson	2007	Pl
John J. Orlando	2003	Pl	Marshall Riddle	1988	Pl
Richard Orms	2014	Pl	Arthur W. Rinderknecht	1976	Pl
William Ortmann	1977	Pl	Francis (Jim) Robben	1984	Pl
Frank C. Ortmann	1981	Pl	Bob Robben	1995	Pl
Edward Osiek	1998	Um	Fred Roberts	1983	Co
David M. Ostapowicz	2012	Pl	Chris Robertson	2020	Pl
Dave Oster	2005	Co	Frank Robinson	1998	Pl
Robert Oster	2012	Co	Rogers Robinson	2005	Pl
Elmer M. Otey	2002	Pl	Richard Rogers	1995	Pl
Raymond O. Owens	1983	Co	Allyn Rohlfing	2011	Pl
William F. Panos	1985	Um	Ronald P. Rollings	2000	Pl
Tony Parise	1989	Co	Frank S. Rossner	1987	Pl
Mel Patton	2008	Pl	Milton Roth	1986	Co
Ron Paul	1989	Pl	Mike Roy	2022	Pl
Roy Payne	2006	Pl	Robert R. Ruck	2011	Pl
Lee Pelligreen, Sr.	1983	Co	Dan Rudanovich	1995	Pl
Joseph Raymond Perez	1999	Um	Jim Rudolph	1989	Pl
Tony Perkins	2015	Co	Walter C. Ruesch	1997	Pl
Edward J. Perniciaro	2004	Co	Ben Rufkar	2019	Pl
Mario A. Pertici	1982	Pl	Norbert (Norb) Rufkahr	1986	Pl
Roy Pfund	2017	Co	Ben Rufkahr	1987	Pl
Steve Pfund	2020	Co	Andrew Runzi	2018	PL
Rich Phillips	2013	Pl/Co	Lloyd G. Rupp	1979	Pl
Dennis L. Pieper	2011	Co	Michael D. Russell	2017	Co
Robert Pietroburgo	2011	Pl	Neal Russo	2002	Co
Tom Pile	2019	Co	Robert E. Ryan, Sr.	1996	Pl
Charlie Pilz	2022	Ctr	Rusty Ryan	2004	Pl
Douglas H. Pipes, Sr.	2002	Pl	Joe Saguto	1989	Pl
Mike Pisarkewicz	2007	Pl	August G. Salg	1979	Pl
Martin Ploussard	1994	Pl	Harry (Feet) Sanders	1976	Um

PREVIOUS INDUCTEES (CONTINUED)

	Year	Status		Year	Status
Vernon Sandusky	1974	Um	Mike Sinovich	2011	PI
John Sappington	2020	Co	John Slattery	1978	PI
Tom Sarsfield	2006	PI	Dave Slemmer	2020	PI
Rich Sauget	2010	PI	Buck Smith	2018	Ctr
Osbie Savage	1996	Co	Eugene (Gene) Smith	1984	PI
Jack Scanio	2022	Ctr	John A. Smith	1995	PI
Kevin Schaefer	2014	PI	Wayne L. Smith	2006	PI
Marvin J. Schaefer	2001	PI	Ron Snider	2018	PI
Mel Schaefer	1974	Co	Gene Sococco	1979	PI
Doug Schaefer	2023	PI	Joseph Sotolar, Jr.	1991	Co
John H. Schaller	2000	PI	Jasper J. Sottile	1999	PI
Theodore G. Schamburg	1988	PI	John T. Sparks	1983	PI
Dave Scheer	2016	Co	Al Spector	2023	Ctr
Jay Schicker	2008	PI	Henry W. Spellmeyer	1976	PI
Keith Schildroth	2010	Co	William R. Spencer	1985	PI
Rudy Schildroth	1996	PI	Dennis Spitzer	2018	PI
John Schilling	2019	PI	Thomas J. Stankey	1984	Co
Martin J. Schlereth	1977	PI	Jean C. Stapenhorst	1980	PI
Gene Schlereth	1984	PI	Norm Stauder	1990	PI
George Schlobohm	1989	Co	Warren Stecher	1998	PI
Jan A. Schmidt	2013	PI	Richard A. (Dick) Steger	1983	Co
Bob Schnietz	2008	PI	Marty Stein	2023	Ctr
John Schnurbusch	2023	PI	Tyler Steinbach	2018	PI
Gary B. Schoen	2000	Co	Joe Steiner	2006	PI
Joseph M. Schoenberger	1976	Co	Mark Steiner	2019	PI
Albert C. (Butts) Schroeder	1982	PI	Harold (Cap) Steinhoff	1982	PI
Dan Schuchardt	2003	PI	Melvin W. Steinkiste	1987	PI
Richard Schuchardt	1986	Co	Edward G. Stelmach	1980	PI
Leonard E. Schueler	1997	Co	Marvin B. Stendel	1983	PI
Lee Schulte	2013	Co	Ralph H. Stephenson, Jr.	2001	Co
Gus Schulteheinrich	1974	PI	Mercial (Mike) Stewart, III	2011	PI
Mark Schwarz	2017	PI	John H. Stilwell	1990	PI
Robert Schwarz	2014	PI	Chuck Stimac	1998	PI
Delmar J. Schwinke	1992	PI	Don Stovall	2022	PI
John Scully	1974	Co	Dennis E. Strickland	2013	PI
Mike Sears	2016	Ctr	Gary Stroot	2011	PI
Bill Seamon	2013	Ctr	Robert Strothkamp	1993	PI
Frank H. Seiler	1977	PI	Bill Struharik	1999	PI
Rudy Serot	1993	PI	Howard F. Strunk	1992	Co
Walter G. Shannon	1982	PI	Roland Stuckmeyer	1999	PI
William Shanks	2016	PI	Richard Sturm, Sr.	2015	Co
Bob Sharp	1999	Um	Scott Sullivan	2015	PI
Barry Shelton	1998	PI	Thomas Sullivan	2007	PI
Herman Timothy Shelton	2000	PI	Tim Summers	1994	Co
Larry Shikles	2017	PI	Timothy F. Summers	2008	PI
Greg Shipman	2015	PI	Patrick Sweeney	1999	PI
Charles Shinabargar	1989	Um	Mike Tallis	2023	PI
Virgil Siemer	1975	PI	Mickey Talton	1995	PI
Mike Sigler	2016	Co	Joe Taormina	2010	PI
Joe Silkwood	2017	PI	Norman A. Tarantola	1978	PI
George J. Silvey	1980	PI	James F. Taylor	2003	Co
Roy Anthony Simmons	2012	PI	Marvin J. Tebeau	1988	PI
Anton (Tony) Simonich	1981	Co	William (Gil) Tesreau	1981	PI
Kenneth W. Simpson	2008	PI	Phil Thomann	1992	PI
Raleigh Singleton	1989	PI	Harold E. Thomas	2005	Um
Marc Sinovich	2009	PI	Marvin Thomas	2016	PI

Key

Pl=Player; Co=Coach; Ctr=Contributor; Um=Umpire

	Year	Status		Year	Status
Herb Thompson	1978	Pl	Barbara Washington	2009	Ctr
Phil Thomann	1992	Pl	William Earl Washington	1999	Pl
Henry Threlkeld	1978	Co	Russ G. Waterson	1975	Co
Joe Thurman	2015	Co	Courtney F. (Buck) Weast	1981	Pl
Lawrence G. Tiefenbrun	1981	Pl	Normal C. (Tweed) Webb	1974	Pl
Randy Tiefenthaler	2019	Pl	Kent Weisenstein	2023	Pl
Bill Tipton	2012	Pl	David Weiss	2010	Co
Grayling Tobias	2010	Pl	Kenneth Weissflug	2013	Pl
David Todd	2022	Pl	Scott Weissman	2008	Co
Eddie (Ray) Tolliver	1986	Pl	Jim F. Wennemann	1988	Co
Sam Tomlinson	2000	Co	Roger Wenzel	1973	Pl
Terry Tomlinson	1981	Pl	Douglas V. Werle	1993	Pl
Leonard Toms	2020	Pl	Kenneth T. Werne	1986	Um
Melvin H. Tonnsen	1992	Pl	Leo B. Werne, Sr.	1980	Um
Edward Tourville	1981	Pl	Joseph H. Wessels	2013	Pl
Pete J. Traina	1993	Pl	Bill Wessler	1991	Pl
John Tramelli	2009	Pl	Lloyd West	1992	Um
Mike Trapasso	2015	Pl/Co	Bill (Billy) Westbrooks	2000	Pl
Harold Travis	1989	Pl	Dale Westerholt	2018	Pl
David Tritz	2016	Pl	Ed Wheatley	1989	Pl
Rudolph (Rudy) Trubacik	1978	Co	Ed Wheatley, Jr.	2023	Ctr
Edward Tschannen	1994	Co	Robert B. White	2012	Pl
Al Tucci	2015	Ctr	Ken Whitehead	1999	Pl
Larry Tucker	2000	Pl	James M. Whiteside	1981	Co
Ed Turek	1998	Pl	Carl E. Whitney	1986	Pl
Ernest (Skip)Turner	2014	Pl	Harold J. Wies	2012	Pl/Co
Frank T. Tusinski	2000	Pl	Leonard Wiesner	1994	Pl
Thom Tusinski	2019	Pl	Ken Wild	1977	Pl
Tom Twellman	2018	Pl	George G. Wiley	1982	Co
Michael Tysdal	2004	Pl	Fred Wilke	2018	Ctr
William J. Vadalabene	1992	Um	Scott Wilkerson	2014	Um
Ollie C. Vanek	1983	Pl	Frank (Chub) Williams	1994	Pl
John Vallina	1993	Um	Charles Wilmes	2007	Pl
Rich Van Gilst	2017	Co	Bob Wilson	2020	Pl
Mike Vasquez	2000	Pl	Emmett Wilson	1987	Pl
Will Vasser	2017	Pl	James Wilson	1998	Pl
Steve Viefhaus	2016	Pl	Jim Winkelmann	2008	Pl
Albert (Red) Villa	1984	Co	Fred H. Winkler	2003	Co
Mike Villa	2003	Pl	Wilfred Winters	1995	Pl
Pete Vitale	1990	Pl	Leroy Witherspoon	2015	Ctr
Gregory Vittello	2005	Co	Fred H. Witte	1984	Pl
Art Voellinger	2013	Ctr	Jim Wolfe	2007	Co
George Vogel	2017	Pl	Russell A. Wood	1977	Um
Mark Vogel	2022	Co	Gary Woods	2009	Pl
Raymond J. Vogler	2006	Pl	Alvin "Bud" Yates	2016	Pl
William Volz	1992	Co	David Yeast	2011	Um
Fred J. Wahl	1997	Co	Terry Yochum	1998	Pl
James Wahlig	2010	Pl	H. Milton Young	1994	Co
Steve Walsh	2014	Pl	Milton J. Zenson	1978	Pl
William J. Walsh	1979	Um	Ronald B. Zetcher	1997	Pl
Oscar (Red) Walterman	1979	Pl	John Ziegemeier, Jr.	2008	Pl
Walter (Wimpy) Walters	1978	Um	Edward S. Ziegler	1981	Pl
Fred Walton	2007	Pl	Russell A. Zingrich	1994	Pl
Mike Waluska	1987	Co	Edward J. Zitko, Jr.	1987	Co
Gus Wamhoff	1978	Co	Charles Zomphier	1976	Co
Stephen A. Ward	2003	Pl			

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS



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Dan Benoist	2023-Current	
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Larry Donovan	2005-Current	
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Ed Wheatley, Jr.	2019-Current	

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MEMBER	YEARS OF SERVICE	OFFICERS
Carl Baum	1974-1975	
Ed Fogarty	1974-1975	
Walter Giesler	1974-1977	
Ben Hopgood	1974-1977	
Lee Engert	1974-1978, 2001-2016	
Don Gabbert	1974-1986	Founder/Co-Chairman 1974-1986
Tom Dix	1974-1984	
Chuck Foulke	1974-1984	
C.C. Johnson Spink	1974-1984	
Roger Wenzel	1974-1984	
Bob Broeg	1974-1986	
Bob Burnes	1974-1986	
James Eisenbath	1974-1986	
Gideon Elmore	1974-1986	
Tony Kreft	1974-1987	
Leroy Hankins	1974-1989	
Raymond Owen	1974-1989	
Greg Maracek	1974-1994	Co-Chairman 1995-2009
Steve Raab	1974-1996	
John Corcoran	1976-1993	
Mel Schaefer	1976-1993	
Ken Queen	1980-1994	Co-Chairman/Chairman 1982-1994
Clarence Huster	1982-1984	
Terry Bryan	1982-1984	
Hank Greifzu	1982-2009	Co-Chairman 1995-2009
Tom Lange	1985-1987	
Harold Mitchell	1985-2000	Treasurer 1996-2000
Al Grosch	1985-2010	
Les Mueller	1985-2017	
Marv Schaefer	1987-1992, 2002-2005	

MEMBER	YEARS OF SERVICE	OFFICERS
Rich Barr	1988-2017	Secretary 1996-2017
Jack Netzeband	1990-1991	
Norman Albrecht	1990-1991	
Mel Heinkel	1993-1996	
George Schlobohm	1994-1996	
Ray Probst	1994-1998	
Jerry Vickery	1994-2000	
Joe Sotolar	1994-2002	
Mike Eisenbath	1996-1997	
Jerry Mann	1997-1998	
Lee Basso	1997-2010	
Ray Cliffe	1997-2012	
Ed Chard	2000-2001	
Marty McCabe	2000-2015	Treasurer 2001-2014
Jim Moore	2003-2005	
Bob Kleen	2003-2009	Vice-Chairman 2010-2016
Pat Sweeney	2010-2017	
Brian Richardson	2010-2019	Treasurer 2014-2019
Armin Hemsath Jr	2011-2012	
Joe Faron	2011-2013	
Pat Beilsmith	2012-2013	
Steve Walsh	2016-2019	
Jay Mason	2010-2022	
Jerry Mueller	1997-2023	
Andy Minor	1999-2023	
Nate Crump	1993-2023	
Jerry Kleeschulte	2014-2023	



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BOB RAMSEY

Bob Ramsey, a two-time local Emmy award winner and a five-time Missouri Sportscaster of the Year Award winner, is our emcee tonight for the 50th St. Louis Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony. He was presented the Jack Buck Award by the Greater STL Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame in 2020.

The St. Louis University Hall of Famer started his long career broadcasting Louisiana Tech basketball. He gave Tech player Karl Malone, a future NBA star, his nickname "The Mailman."

Ramsey has over 30 years on the call for St. Louis University Billikens basketball. He is the longest tenured play-by-play man in the history of St. Louis University. Ramsey also broadcast Cardinal baseball on Fox Sports Midwest and on the St. Louis Cardinals Radio Network.

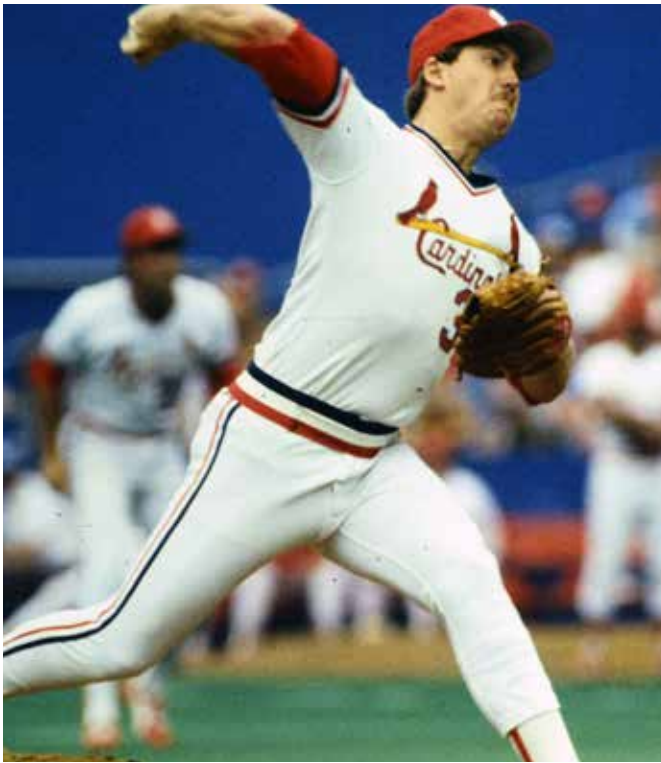


THE BOB BURNES AWARD

*Sponsored by **Bob Hardcastle** and **Money Talk on 550KTRS**,
The Bob Burnes Award honors a St. Louis Area resident for
Lifetime Achievement in Professional Baseball.
Congratulations 2024 Recipient:*



JOE BOEVER



An overpowering right-handed relief pitcher, Boever played in Major League Baseball from 1985 to 1996. His MLB debut was with the St. Louis Cardinals on July 19, 1985, as the Redbirds were closing in on the National League pennant. He contributed to the Cardinals pennant winning drive during their stretch run in 1985. That Cardinals team advanced to the World Series. He pitched for the Cardinals in 1985 and 1986, the Atlanta Braves from 1987 to 1990, the Philadelphia Phillies from 1990 to 1991, the Houston Astros in 1992, the Oakland Athletics in 1993, the Detroit Tigers from 1993 to 1995, and the Pittsburgh Pirates in 1996.

In 1992, he led the league in appearances for a pitcher, playing in 81 games for the Houston Astros. Known for his devastating palm ball, he was a closer for the 1989 Atlanta Braves, collecting 21 saves.

In 1985, Boever pitched for the Double A Arkansas Travelers and the Triple A Louisville Cardinals before being called up to the Major Leagues with the St. Louis Cardinals.

In 1982, Boever pitched for the Springfield Cardinals and the Erie Cardinals. He was with the St. Petersburg Cardinals in 1983 and 1984. He wrapped up his playing career in 1997 with the Calgary Cannons and the Edmonton Trappers in the Pacific Coast League.

In the late 1970s, Boever pitched for Lindbergh High School, and he was inducted into the Lindbergh Athletics Hall of Fame in 1993.

Before signing with the Cardinals in 1982, Boever pitched for Meramec Community College, Crowder College, and the University of Nevada at Las Vegas.



THE BOB BROEG AWARD

*Created by the Greater St. Louis Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame and sponsored by **Bob Hardcastle** and **Money Talk on 550KTRS** is presented to the high school baseball coach for his commitment to coaching excellence and lifetime of service to high school baseball in the greater St. Louis area. Congratulations 2024 Recipient:*

JERRY BURBES



(Awarded Posthumously) A third baseman, pitcher, and outfielder, Burbes was the lead-off hitter for Francis Howell High School from 1962 to 1964. In 1963, the Francis Howell baseball team made it to the Missouri State tournament for the first time in the school's history. During the three years he played for Francis Howell, Burbes had 40 stolen bases, and he was never thrown out.

Four years later, in 1968, he started teaching in the Francis Howell School District. He retired in June of 1998. During his 30 years at Francis Howell, he served as a teacher, coach, athletic director, district activities coordinator, interim superintendent of schools, and he concluded his career as the associate superintendent of schools.

Burbes was the head baseball coach at Francis Howell High School from 1970 to 1980. During those ten years, he won six conference championships, and three district championships. Three of his teams made it to the state quarter finals. Three of his players advanced to professional baseball. Burbes is in the Francis Howell Baseball Hall of Fame.

He played 20 years in the Eastern Missouri Baseball Association and had a composite batting average of .340 with 120 home runs. He was on the Cottleville & Harvester team for 19 years, and the Flint Hill team for one year. His C&H team won the EMBA championship seven times.

In 1980 and 1981, he received the Eastern Missouri Baseball Association's Most Valuable Player Award. He was selected to the EMBA all-star team six times. He had 12 consecutive years of stolen bases without being thrown out.

Burbes was the manager of the C&H junior baseball team, and he also coached little league baseball in the New Melle area. In 1990, he helped organize the Daniel Boone American Legion baseball program, and he coached the Daniel Boone American Legion team for three years.

In 2005, Burbes was inducted into the St. Charles County Amateur Sports Hall of Fame.

Burbes died on March 10, 2020 at the age of 73.

THE JACK BUCK MEDIA AWARD

*The Jack Buck Media Award, sponsored by **Bob Hardcastle** (Money Talk on 550KTRS), is presented for service to baseball as a distinguished member of the St. Louis media whose work embodies the principles of Hall of Fame legend, the late great Jack Buck.*
Congratulations 2024 Recipient:



JOHN ROONEY



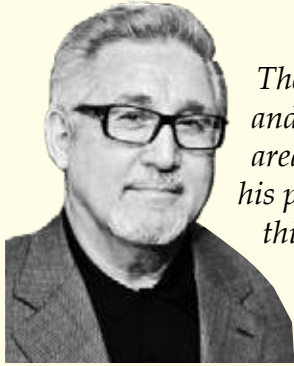
He has been the play-by-play radio announcer for the St. Louis Cardinals since 2006. He came to St. Louis after broadcasting games for the Chicago White Sox for eighteen years. His final broadcast for the White Sox was Game 4 of the 2005 World Series, which ended in the first World Series championship for the White Sox since 1917. The Cardinals won the World Series in 2006, and Rooney has the distinction of broadcasting for two different championship teams in consecutive years. In 2006, Rooney joined the Cardinals radio crew on KTRS, teaming with former player and veteran broadcaster Mike Shannon. Cardinal broadcasts returned to KMOX Radio in 2011, and Rooney has been there ever since.

Rooney was an announcer for the Minnesota Twins in the mid-1980s. In 1988, he joined the broadcasting team of the Chicago White Sox. He was a basketball announcer for the Chicago Bulls from 1989 to 1991. For many years, he was a broadcaster for Missouri Tigers basketball.

Rooney worked for CBS Radio from 1984 to 2003, nationally broadcasting various sports. He was an announcer for Major League Baseball, the National Football League, college football, and college basketball. He called Saturday baseball telecasts for Fox Sports from 1996 to 1998. In 2003 and 2004, he worked postseason Division Series games for ESPN Radio. He also announced NFL games on the Sports USA Radio Network.

Rooney was born in the Kansas City suburb of Richmond, Missouri. He began his broadcast career in the 1970s with assignments for various radio stations in Missouri and Oklahoma. In 1980, he began calling play-by-play for the Oklahoma City 89ers, a minor league baseball team. He was a broadcaster for the Louisville Redbirds beginning in 1983.

In 2004, Rooney was inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame.



J. KIM TUCCI LEGACY AWARD

The J. Kim Tucci Legacy Award was created in 2018 to honor individuals and organizations who are outstanding supporters of baseball in the St. Louis area. It is named for the late Kim Tucci of The Pasta House Company to honor his prolific support of amateur baseball and the city of St. Louis. Each year this award recognizes a person and their organization that has a proven track record of dedication to the great game of baseball at all levels of competition – professional, amateur and youth baseball in the Greater St. Louis area. Congratulations to the 2024 recipient:

ST. LOUIS AMATEUR BASEBALL ASSOCIATION



The St. Louis Amateur Baseball Association was founded in 1987 by a group of St. Louis area baseball coaches that included Jim Muskopf who became SLABA's first president. Muskopf was the longtime manager of the Johnny Mac Thunder. Every year, SLABA presents the Muskopf-Sears Distinguished Service Award.

SLABA was established to give teenage boys in St. Louis a greater opportunity to play baseball at a competitive level where they would be seen by college coaches and professional scouts. All of the SLABA teams have multiple affiliations with nationally recognized and sanctioned youth baseball programs, providing St. Louis area high school

players with maximum exposure to the toughest competition. SLABA currently has national affiliations with PONY Baseball, the American Amateur Baseball Congress, and the National Amateur Baseball Federation. SLABA sends teams from each age group to postseason playoff tournaments throughout America.

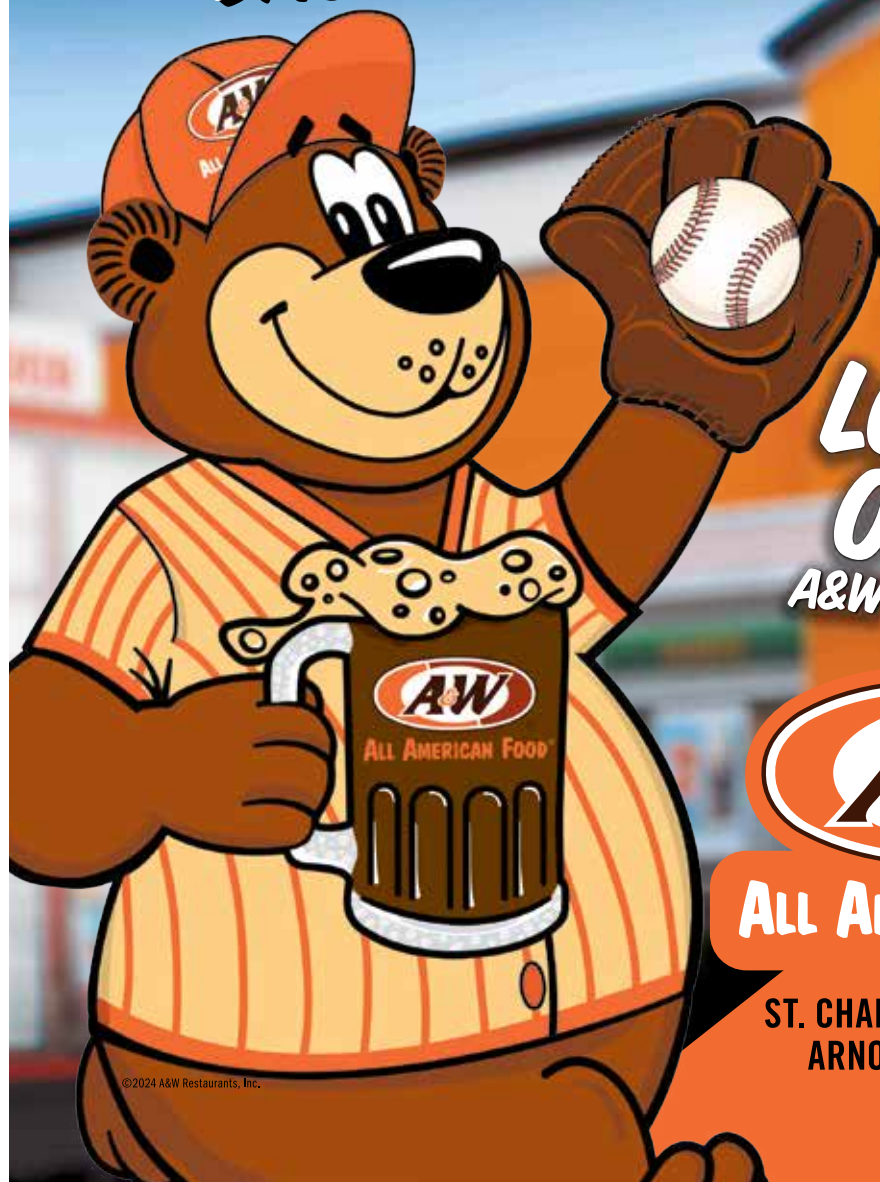
Hundreds of former SLABA players have gone on to play at every level of college and pro baseball. Currently, former SLABA players in Major League Baseball include Ross Detwiler, Peter Fairbanks, Tanner Houck, Michael Plassmeyer, Max Scherzer, and Luke Voit.

David Freese and Ryan Howard are a few of the most famous SLABA alumni and both men have SLABA leagues named in their honor.

Former Cardinal pitcher Kyle McClellan also has a SLABA league named for him. He is part of our St. Louis Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame, having received the Bob Burnes Award in 2016.

Longtime SLABA president Fred Wilke was inducted into the St. Louis Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame in 2018. Chad Fix is the current president of SLABA. The SLABA Executive Board includes Fix, Vice-President Mike Buda, Secretary Kirk Hawkins, and Treasurer Mike Sears.

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1974	Mayor John Poelker, Bob Buck-KMOX
1975	Mickey Owen, France Laux, Ray Blades
1976	Walker Cooper, Buddy Blatner, Bob Broeg
1977	Carl Erskine, Andy High
1978	Enos Slaughter, Don Gutteridge
1979	Ned Garver, Paul Dean
1980	Wilmer (Vinegar Bend) Mizell, Joe Schultz, Jr.
1981	Tom Poholsky, Ted Savage
1982	Ron Hunt, Tom Gorman
1983	Joe Hoerner
1984	Tom Gorman
1985	Lefty Gomez
1986	Tom Gorman
1987	Augie Donatelli
1988	Ellis Clary
1989	Dick Groat
1990	Bob Feller
1991	Wally Moon
1992	Terry Moore, Stan Musial
1993	Lou Brock
1994	Bill "Moose" Skowron
1995	Whitey Herzog
1996	Gaylord Perry
1997	Del Wilber
1998	Tommy Lasorda
1999	Jack Clark
2000	Darrell Porter
2001	Ferguson Jenkins
2002	Todd Worrell
2003	Al Hrabosky
2004	Bob Forsch
2005	Danny Cox
2006	Dave Phillips
2007	Jay Randolph, Sr.
2008	Ricky Horton
2009	Lee Thomas
2010	Dan O'Neill
2011	Whitey Herzog
2012	Tom Ackerman
2013	Jerry Reuss
2014	Dave Phillips
2015	Kirk Rueter
2016	Kyle McClellan
2017	Rich Rieker

2018	TJ Matthews
2019	Al Nipper
2020	Scott Cooper
2022	Jacob Turner
2023	Brian Boehringer

Bob Burnes Award:

2004	Rolland Stiles
2005	Don Mueller
2006	Roy Sievers
2007	Buddy Blattner
2008	Lee Thomas
2009	Babe Martin
2010	Bob Wiesler
2011	Whitey Herzog
2012	Frank Baumann
2013	Jerry Reuss
2014	Dave Phillips
2015	Kirk Rueter
2016	Kyle McClellan
2017	Cliff Politte
2018	T. J. Matthews
2019	Al Nipper
2020	Scott Cooper
2022	Jacob Turner
2023	Brian Boehringer

Bob Broeg Award:

2001	Bob Swift
2002	Lee Engert
2003	Bob Robben
2004	Charlie Gateley
2005	Edward Tschannen
2006	Ray Cliffe
2007	Henry Buffa
2008	Ed Perniciaro, Sr.
2009	Bob Christian
2010	Marty McCabe
2011	Jim Lemen
2012	Rich Rogers
2013	Bob Benben
2014	Bobby Dunahue
2015	Harry Gurley
2016	Jim Taylor

2017	Steve Nicollerat
2018	Rich Van Gilst
2019	Michael D. Russell
2020	Tony Perkins
2022	Ed Chard
2023	Kevin Bowers

Jack Buck Media Award:

2012	Mike Shannon
2013	Rick Hummel
2014	Jay Randolph
2015	Ron Jacober
2016	Bernie Miklasz
2017	Frank Cusamano
2018	Tom Ackerman
2019	Mike Claiborne
2020	Bob Ramsey
2022	Al Hrabosky
2023	Steve Overbey

J. Kim Tucci Legacy Award:

2018	Ed Wheatley - St. Louis Browns Historical Society
2019	Martin Mathews - Mathews-Dickey Boys and Girls Club
2020	J. Kim Tucci - The Pasta House Company
2022	Tom Kutis Family- Kutis Funeral Homes
2023	Missouri American Legion-Tom Rhoads Commisioner

Triple Crown Award:

2023	Bob Hardcastle
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Congratulations

To All Of The 2024 Greater STL Amateur Baseball Hall Of Fame Inductees



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RISING STAR AWARD



The Rising Star Award was created by the Greater St. Louis Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame in 1995.

The award is sponsored by **Pinnacle Hospitality** (A&W Restaurants) and the **St. Louis Cardinals**. The Rising Star Award honors local high school baseball players for achievements on and off the field.

Five finalists are selected by the Greater St. Louis Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame Rising Star Committee from nominations by high school coaches throughout the greater St. Louis area. The Rising Star Award is presented to the player who is considered "best of the best" in the greater St. Louis area.

The five finalists for 2024 are:

ETHAN BAGWELL – Collinsville (IL) High School
Nominated by Head Coach – Brett Swip

HAYDEN BATES – Festus High School
Nominated by Head Coach – Jeff Montgomery

BRADY COON –Traid (IL) High School
Nominated by Head Coach – Jessie Bugger

CHARLIE KARLOVIC – John Burroughs High School
Nominated by Head Coach – Scott Deken

JACK KNOBE – St. Francis Borgia High School
Nominated by Head Coach – Robert Struckhoff

2024 RISING STAR FINALISTS



ETHAN BAGWELL RHP, *COLLINSVILLE (IL) HS*

Three-time All-Southwestern Conference selection (2020-2022)

Cincinnati Reds Scout Team (Fall 2023), Invited to two Pro Scout Days (FL, MO)

- Member of CHS Student Leadership Class, Kahok Football Leadership Council
- Baseball Youth Camp volunteer, Volunteers at local events (Italian Fest, BBQ on Main)
- 3.40 grade point average entering senior year

Parents: Kayce and Mike Bagwell

Head Coach: Brett Swip

Committed: UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI - COLUMBIA



HAYDEN BATES 3B/SS, *FESTUS HS*

2022 and 2023 First Team All-Conference, All-District, All-Metro and All-State.

- Led Festus to 2022 Class 5 State Runner-Up and 2023 Class 5 State Championship.
- Set school record for hits (43) in 2023 and Runs Scored (47) in 2022
- Earned All-Conference, All-District, All-State in Football (RB) and All-Conference Basketball (honorable mention), also 2023 Jefferson County Player of the Year.

Volunteer/Service Work – Festus Library, Local food pantry & “Buddy” for Challenger Baseball.

Parents: Amy and Tyler Bates

Head Coach: Jeff Montgomery

Committed: JOHN A. LOGAN COLLEGE

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2024 RISING STAR FINALISTS



BRADY COON OF, TRIAD (IL) HS

Four-year Varsity Starter, All-MVC OF (2022-23), All-State OF (2023), All-Metro 2nd Team (2023)

- Ranks 78 in class of 275, 3.40 GPA, member National Honor Society & Triad Knights Council
- Served as a Buddy in Challenger Baseball program, Triad Baseball/Basketball Camp volunteer
- Participated in Unified Basketball program at Triad

Parents: Betty and Bob Coon

Head Coach: Jessie Bugger

Committed: SIU-EDWARDSVILLE



CHARLIE KARLOVIC C/1B, JOHN BURROUGHS HS

2022-2023 1st Team All-Conference, 2023 1st Team All-State. 2022 Honorable Mention All-State

- Led team to the Class 4 MO State Championship in 2023
- 2022 - .419 BA with 1.063 OPS, 2023 - .392 with an OPS of 1.205
- Earned a 3.62 GPA, volunteer work at Challenger Baseball, Sports for Charity, Mission Continues.
- Active in the Business Club and Debate Club at John Burroughs HS.

Parents: Stacey and Eric Karlovic

Head Coach: Scott Deken

Committed: OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE



JACK NOBE RHP/SS, ST. FRANCIS BORGIA HS

2023 MO Class 5 – First Team All-State (Pitcher) and Third Team All-Metro

2023 AAA Conference Player of the Year / Lead Borgia to Class 5 State Runner-up

Pitched two consecutive 2-hit Games in State Playoffs in 2023

- Volunteer Work – Immanuel Lutheran Grade School and Borgia Youth Baseball
- 3.67 GPA – Leader, Healthy Lifestyles Retreat

Parents: Diane and Matt Nobe

Head Coach: Robert Struckhoff

Committed: XAVIER

PREVIOUS RISING STARS

Rising Star Award finalists: *Winners are indicated with * before name.*

1996: *Justin Buck

Shane Allen
Chris George
Danny Huesgen
Jon Lewis

1997: *Jon Lewis

Shane Allen
John Mayer
Alvin Morrow
Nick Wilfong

1998: *Alvin Morrow

Ben Hutton
Ken Lutz
Mick Weiss
Nick Wilfong

1999: *Ben Hutton

Brett Katz
Ken Lutz
Justin R. Neel
Jared Theodorakos

2000: *Ken Lutz

Matt Bogle
Cliff House
Andy Schutzenhofer
Nick Seibert

2001: *Brent Lacy

Dan Jackson
Joe Simokaitis
Pat Steinhoff
Derek Stratman

2002: *Dan Jackson

Matt Buschmann
Devin Collis
Ronnie Ray
John Sternberg

2003: *Greg Rodgers

Nathan Culp
David Kramer
Ron Martin
Lucas May

2004: *Justin Ellrich

Andrew Cella
Jeff Sargent
Shaun Seibert
T.J. Sinovich

2005: *Jeff Sargent

Evan Button
Tim Clubb
Aaron Cox
Andy Marks

2006: *John Lyons

Jason Hagerty
Phil McCormick
Jeremy Rahman
Blake Slagle

2007: *Jonathan Schmidt

Todd Baumgartner
Adam Gliebe
David LeResche
Dan Sandbrink

2008: *Tim Melville

Preston Aldridge
Ethan Jaeger
Conner Mach
Ben Turner

2009: *Jacob Turner

Brannon Champagne
Ryan Huck
Alex Larkin
Scott Sommerfeld

2010: *Danny Brennan

Jake DePew
Michael Failoni
Kevin Pohle



2023 Rising Star Finalists accepting their awards.

PREVIOUS RISING STARS

2011: ***Brett Graves**

Sasha Kuebel
Tate Matheny
Jake Mavropoulos
David Schmidt
Mike Wilson

2012: ***Tate Matheny**

William DuPont
Danny Holst
Sam Hopkins
Jake Walters
Alex Winkelman

2013: ***Matt Brown**

Drew Curtis
Brent Gibbs
Lex Kaplan
Ben Lovell

2014: ***Shane Benes**

Jake Burger
Keith Grieshaber, Jr.
Nic Perkins
David Prost

2015: ***Logan Andersen**

Austin Bennett
Luke Matheny
Ryan Sosnowski
Brock Weimer

2016: ***Ryan Perkins**

Chris Cornelius
Brad Harrison
Jordan McFarland
Cameron Touchette

2017: ***Kyle Grantham**

Harry Hegeman
Erik Kaiser
Luke Vallandingham
Dennis Yingling

2018: ***Luke Mann**

Patrick Conner
Kevin Graham
Hayden Juenger
Austin Schmitt

2019: ***Noah Jacobsen**

Jimmy Obertop
Kolten Poorman
Jeremy Schork
Cole Schroeder
Shane Wilhelm

2020: ***Drake Westcott**

Nathan Beaton
Jordan Duncan
Jacob Hager
Bryce Mayer

2022: ***Daniel Wissler**

Tyler Charlton
Eli Hoerner
Josh Newell
Spencer Stearns

2023: ***Brett Norfleet**

Dane Bjorn
Riley Iffrig
Sean Kang
Kaden Peer



Brett Norfleet accepting the 2023 Rising Star award.

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Brett Norfleet

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Head Coach Tony Perkins



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2024 CLASS OF INDUCTEES



BRAD BOLLINGER (60)

He was a left-handed pitcher and first baseman who played for the University of Missouri at Columbia from 1982 to 1985. He was co-captain of the 1985 team that was ranked eleventh in the nation. That year, he hit thirteen home runs to set a new single season record at Mizzou. He had 56 RBIs. In 1982, he hit a three-run homer the first time he came to bat for Mizzou.

In 1981, Bollinger was captain of the Lindbergh High School team that finished second at the Missouri State Tournament. That year, he was named to the All-Conference and All-Metro teams. He had a batting average of .389. In 1980, he was selected to the All-Conference team, and he received honorable mention on the All-Metro team. That year, he hit three home runs in a game plus a double while playing for Lindbergh. In 2010, Bollinger was inducted into the Lindbergh High School Sports Hall of Fame.

In 1980, Bollinger guided the Crestwood American Legion team to a fifth-place finish at the American Legion World Series in Ely, Minnesota.

In 1981, he was named the St. Louis District 10 American Legion Player of the Year. He was a runner-up for the "Best in Decade" team.

In the 1980s, Bollinger pitched and played first base in the St. Louis Metro Collegiate League. He was with the St. Louis Browns and the West County Royals. He played for Russell Sports in the National Amateur Baseball Federation. Bollinger was a power hitter with a high batting average. He was also a good defensive first baseman.

Bollinger has coached amateur baseball teams in the St. Louis area for the past twenty years, primarily in Ellisville and Chesterfield.



MATT BOXDORFER (47)

He was a right-handed pitcher for St. Louis University from 1984 to 1987. At St. Louis University, Boxdorfer ranks third all-time in career complete games with twenty. He started 38 games for SLU which ranks in the Top 15. He pitched 249.1 innings which is eleventh on the all-time list. His eight complete games in 1987 ranks third all-time. He had 153 career strikeouts at SLU which ranks eighteenth. He was the team leader at SLU where he was part of the rebuilding process. St. Louis University played against some of the top teams in the nation. In a game with Oklahoma State, Boxdorfer struck out future Major Leaguer Pete Incaviglia who had just set the all-time collegiate home run record. Boxdorfer picked Craig Counsell off twice at first base in a game against Notre Dame. He was a two-sport letterman at SLU. In addition to his accomplishments on the baseball field, he also participated as a member of the SLU Rifle Team.

Boxdorfer pitched for St. Mary's High School before attending St. Louis University.

He pitched for the Sotolar Pointers in the CYC Senior Major League in 1985 and then again in 1988.

He played in the St. Louis Metro Collegiate League for Centerre Bank in 1986 and Interco in 1987. He was selected to the Metro Collegiate all-star team both years.

Boxdorfer coached CYC baseball teams at St. Roch School for seventeen years.

Inductees are listed in same order as seen on Page 2



PETE DELKUS (58)

He was a right-handed side submarine style pitcher who played in the Minnesota Twins farm system from 1987 to 1991. He started out with the Twins farm team in Elizabethton, Tennessee. He pitched for the Kenosha Twins in 1988 where he received the Rolands Relief Man Award with 33 saves and an ERA of 0.26. He was named the Minnesota Twins Minor League Player of the Year. He was on the Orlando Twins in 1989 and then again in 1991. In 1990, he advanced to the Triple A level with the Beavers in Portland, Oregon. He also pitched for the Beavers in 1991. That year, he wrapped up his minor league career with the Orlando Twins. He posted a career professional stat line of 25-20 W-L record, 56 saves in 270 games and 431 innings pitched.

Delkus was an All-American pitcher for Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, and he still holds several pitching records. He ranks first all-time in saves with 19, second all-time in appearances with 78 and tied for first in career wins with 26. In 1985, he pitched in the College World Series with the SIUE Cougars.

He pitched for the Sauget Wizards from 1984 through 1986 where he was a top line closer for the Wizards in the

Delkus is an Emmy-Award winning chief meteorologist at WFAA-TV (ABC) in Dallas.



TOM FRANKE (66)

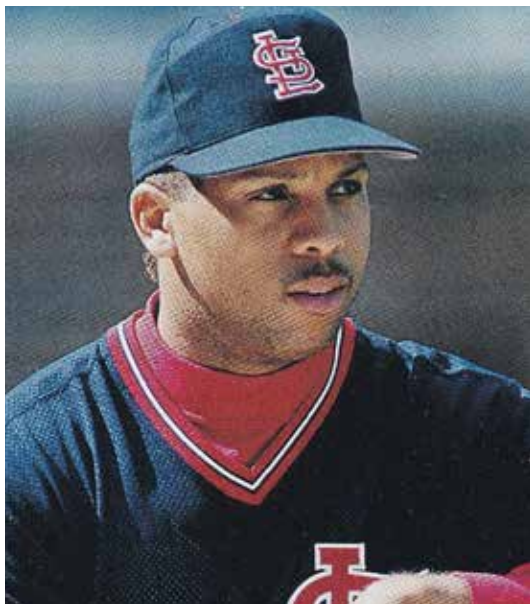
A strong right-handed pitcher, Franke played in the Baltimore Orioles farm system in 1980 for the Miami Orioles in the Florida State League.

He starred for Northwest Missouri State University from 1978 to 1980. In 1978, Franke received honorable mention as an All-American at Northwest Missouri State. That year, he had the third best ERA in the nation. He had an undefeated record. He was named to the All-Conference and All-District teams. Franke was selected to the All-Conference second team in 1979 and 1980. He led his Northwest Missouri teams to conference titles in 1978 and 1980. His team advanced to the regional tournament every year from 1978 to 1980. He was team captain in 1980. Franke set several records while pitching for Northwest Missouri, and still holds the record for career wins and complete games. He is in the Top 10 for strikeouts and ERA. In 2008,

Franke was inducted into the Northwest Missouri State University Athletics Hall of Fame.

He pitched for McCluer North High School and was named to the All-Suburban North district team in 1976. That year, he received honorable mention on the St. Louis All-Metro team. He had two no-hitters in high school. He also played football and basketball at McCluer. In 1977 and 1978, he was pitcher for the Bloomington Bobcats in the Central Illinois Collegiate League. In 1979, Franke pitched for the Clarinda, Iowa team that finished fourth at the NBC tournament in Wichita, Kansas. In 1981, he led the Red Oak, Iowa team to a second-place finish at the Iowa State NBC tournament. His team advanced to the national NBC tournament in Wichita. From 1983 to 1986, Franke pitched for Emporia, Kansas in the Missouri-Kansas League. He played for Ballwin in the St. Louis County League from 1988 to 1992.

Franke has played and coached amateur baseball for 58 years. He has been playing in senior baseball leagues since 1998. He pitched in the CYC Senior Major League for seven seasons. From 2012 to 2015, he pitched for the Black Sox in the National Amateur Baseball Association. He played in the Denver Baseball Forever League from 2017 to 2021. Since 2022, he has been with the Bud Light team in the St. Louis Baseball Forever League.



LONNIE MACLIN (57)

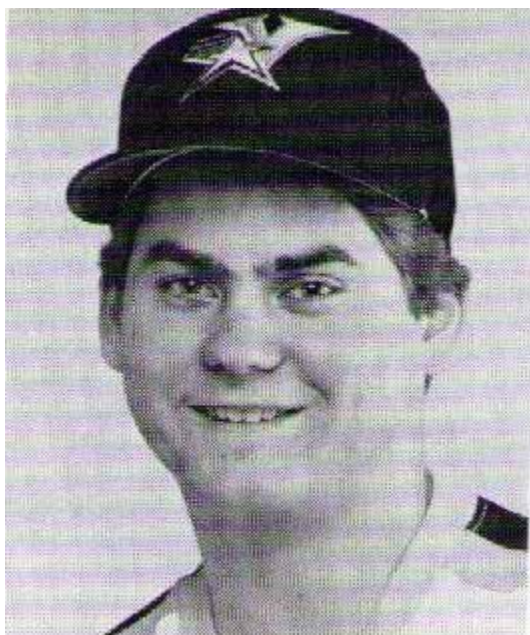
A left-handed outfielder and first baseman, Maclin played for the St. Louis Cardinals at the end of the 1993 Major League season as September call-up. He had 14 plate appearances in 12 games and registered one hit, one RBI and one stolen base in his brief stay in the big leagues.

He spent seven years in the Cardinals farm system, beginning in 1987. He started out with the Cardinals rookie farm team in Johnson City, Tennessee in the Appalachian League. In 1988, he played for St. Petersburg in the Florida State League and Savannah in the South Atlantic League. He was on the Springfield Cardinals in 1989. He played Double A ball for the Arkansas Travelers. In 1990, he advanced to the Triple A level with the Louisville Redbirds, remaining with them until 1993.

In 1994, Maclin played for Veracruz in the Mexican League. He left Veracruz in 1995 and joined Amarillo in the Texas-Louisiana League. He remained with Amarillo until 2001. He played for Tabasco in the Mexican League. He wrapped up his

minor league career in 2003 with the Jackson Senators.

Maclin was an outfielder and first baseman for Meramec Community College when he was drafted in the 3rd round of the June Draft by the Cardinals in 1986. He played (1986-87) and managed and coached in the St. Louis Metro Collegiate League. He also played for Ritenour High School.



JOHN PARKE (58)

A right-handed pitcher, he was captain of his Vanderbilt University team in Nashville. He pitched for Vanderbilt in 1985 and 1986.

In 1984, he pitched in the St. Louis area for Jefferson College where he was team MVP. He was named All-Conference and All-Region.

In 1983, Parke pitched for Mineral Area College in Park Hills, Missouri.

He was an outstanding pitcher at Northwest High School in House Springs.

Parke starred for Eureka Post 177 in the early 1980s, helping his team win the American Legion District 9 championship. He pitched three no-hitters and was undefeated on the mound. He had a composite batting average of .408. He was selected for two American Legion all-star teams.

Parke pitched in the St. Louis Metro Collegiate League for Centerre Bank in 1984 and 1985, and Anheuser-Busch in 1986. He was the top pitcher for both of those league championship teams. He was among the league leaders in ERA, wins, and

strikeouts. He was named to the all-star team every year. He was on two league championship teams and one runner-up. He had sixteen strikeouts in two of the playoff games.

In 1987, Parke played semi-pro ball for the Moose Jaw Astros in Saskatchewan.

From 1988 to 1991, he pitched for the Sauget Wizards in the Mon-Clair League. He was among the league leaders in ERA, wins, and strikeouts. He helped the Sauget Wizards win several Mon-Clair League championships. He received two MVP awards and played on two Mon-Clair League all-star teams.

Parke coached youth baseball teams for twelve seasons in West St. Louis County.



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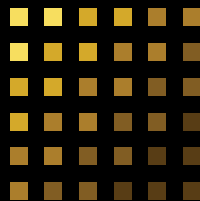
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DAVE PREGON (62)

He was a power hitting first baseman and third baseman who was drafted by the Montreal Expos in 1984. That year, he played for the Calgary Expos in the Pioneer League. He received the Top Hitter Award with a .310 batting average. He led the Pioneer League in fielding with a .990 percentage. In 1985, he moved to the farm system of the St. Louis Cardinals. He started out with the Savannah Cardinals in the South Atlantic League. In 1986, he was presented with an Inspiration Award while playing for the Springfield Cardinals in the Midwest League.

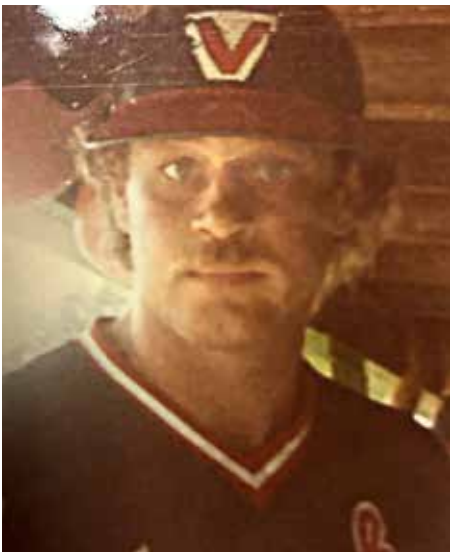
Pregon played for Georgia Southern University from 1982 to 1984. During those three years, he hit 50 home runs and his teammate Ben Abner hit 59 home runs. Together, they established the NCAA record for most home runs by two players on the same team. Pregon is ranked fourth in career home runs at Georgia Southern and he is ranked sixth in career RBIs. He was named All-Conference in 1982 and 1984. He was selected to the all-tournament team in 1982. Pregon is Number 10 on the NCAA list of all-time most prolific home run hitters. In 1984, he received the Georgia Southern Senior Award.

In 1980 and 1981, Pregon played for the very successful Meramec Community College team. In 1981, he was the team leader in home runs, runs scored, and

total bases. He had the second highest batting average at .366.

During the summer of 1980, he played in the St. Louis Metro Collegiate League. During the summer of 1981, he was a first baseman for the Winchester Royals in the prestigious Valley League in Virginia. In 1982, Pregon played for the St. Louis Sotolar Pointers in the CYC Senior Major League. He was a first baseman and third baseman for Vianney High School in the late 1970s.

Pregon was the Director and Coach of one of the top Travel Baseball Programs in the Midwest, working with thousands of young people. He took his baseball teams to foreign countries. Several of his players made the USA National team. He conducted baseball camps and clinics. Pregon coached amateur baseball teams in the St. Louis area for over 25 years.



WAYNE ROHLFING (67)

He was an outfielder, catcher, and first baseman who played in the Chicago Cubs farm system from 1978 to 1980. He started out with the Cubs farm team in the Gulf Coast League. In 1979, he moved to the Quad Cities farm team in the Midwest League. In 1980, he helped Quad Cities win the Midwest League championship. He advanced to the Triple A level in 1980 with the Wichita Aeros. Later that year, he became an all-star catcher for the Geneva Cubs in New York-Pennsylvania League.

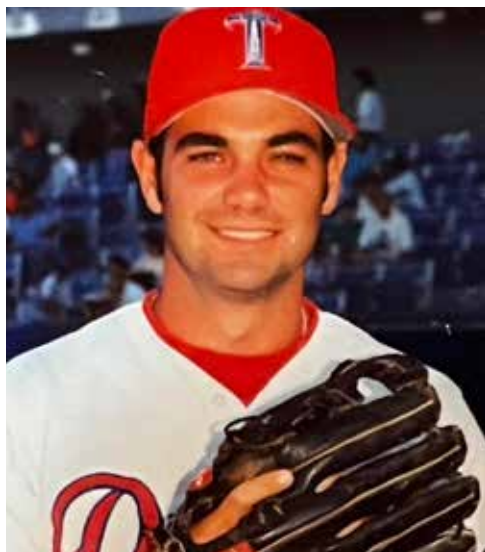
Rohlfing played for Valmeyer High School in the early 1970s.

He starred for Belleville Area College in 1975 and 1976. In 1976, he was named MVP after Belleville Area College won the JUCO state championship.

From 1976 to 1978, Rohlfing played for Centenary College in Shreveport, Louisiana.

Rohlfing played for the Valmeyer Lakers in the Mon-Clair League for almost twenty years. He was an outfielder, catcher, and first baseman. He was with the Lakers from 1973 to 1978 before playing minor league ball. He returned to the Lakers in 1981 and remained with them until 1993. He was the power hitting leader of numerous Valmeyer championship teams. He was selected to ten Mon-Clair League all-star teams. He was MVP of the 1978 Valmeyer Fourth of July tournament. Valmeyer won three Mon-Clair League championships. In 1998, Rohlfing was inducted into the Mon-Clair Baseball League Hall of Fame.

From 2008 to 2016, he worked for Rick Strickland's St. Louis Pirates as a catching coach and traveling team coach. Rohlfing was also an instructor at Ric Lessmann's baseball clinic.



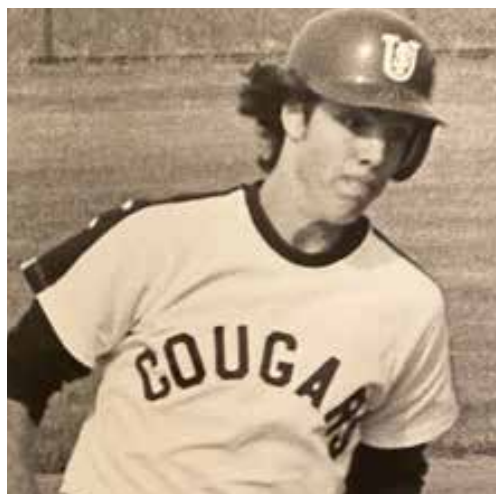
LANCE SCHUERMANN (54)

An outstanding left-handed pitcher, Schuermann was drafted by the Texas Rangers in 1991, and he played five years in their farm system. He pitched in the farm system of the Baltimore Orioles for one season. In 1991, Schuermann joined the Butte Copper Kings, the Rangers farm club in the Pioneer League. He pitched in the Florida State League for the Fort Myers Miracle in 1992 and the Port Charlotte Rangers in 1993. Schuermann was an all-star pitcher for the Tulsa Drillers in 1994. He was named Texas League Pitcher of the Week four times. He advanced to the Triple A level in 1995 with the Oklahoma City 89ers in the American Association. In 1996, he joined the Bowie Baysox, a farm team of the Baltimore Orioles in the Eastern League. That year, he wrapped up his minor league career with the Abilene Prairie Dogs in the Texas-Louisiana League. His team won the league championship.

Schuermann was pitching for the University of Nevada at Las Vegas when he was drafted by the Texas Rangers in 1991. The head coach at UNLV was Fred Dallimore, one of the winningest coaches in college baseball history.

From 1988 to 1990, Schuermann pitched for Meramec Community College and played summer baseball in the St. Louis Metro Collegiate League. He was on Neil Fiala's St. Louis Yankees and also Dan Rudanovich's strong Educational Employees Credit Union team. Schuermann played for the Oakville High School baseball team from 1985 to 1988. He was a baseball coach at Meramec Community College for three years and Harris-Stowe State College for two years.

In 2011, Schuermann founded the St. Louis Naturals Baseball Club. The Naturals Baseball Club provides a premier environment for both youth and high school athletes.



BOB WILBER (67)

A right-handed outfielder and pitcher, Wilber signed a free agent contract with the Detroit Tigers in 1978 and played two years in their farm system. He also played in the farm system of the Oakland Athletics. In 1978, Wilber joined the Paintsville Hillanders, the Tigers farm club in the Appalachian League in Paintsville, Kentucky. In 1979, he played for the Lakeland Tigers in the Florida State League. Later that year, he wrapped up his minor league career with the Medford A's, the Oakland Athletics farm team in Medford, Oregon.

Wilber played three seasons for St. Louis University High School. He received a four-year baseball scholarship to the University of Southern Illinois at Edwardsville. He played center field for the SIUE Cougars from 1975 to 1979, helping his team advance to the College World Series in 1976 and 1977. He hit a key home run in the NCAA Finals to send the Cougars to the 1977 College World Series. The 1976 team and the 1977 team were both inducted into the SIUE Athletics Hall of Fame.

During the summers of 1975 and 1976, Wilber was a center fielder for SIUE in the St. Louis MO-IL Collegiate Baseball Instructional League. He batted .406 in 1976 and led his team in every hitting statistic.

Wilber played semi-pro ball in the summer of 1977 for the Cheney Studs in Seattle, and the Danville Roosters in the Central Illinois Collegiate League. He hit .363 for Danville in a strong league with many future Major Leaguers like Andy McGaffigan and Charlie Leibrandt.

In 1984, Wilber joined the Sauget Wizards in the Mon-Clair League and played six seasons. He was with the Wizards from 1984 to 1986 and then again in 1988 and 1989. He returned to the Wizards in 1992 as a player-manager. He was voted MVP in 1985. The Wizards won the Mon-Clair League Championship in 1988. Wilber helped the Wizards defeat Team USA. In 1992, the Wizards won the Valmeyer Fourth of July Tournament. That year, he was a player-manager in the Mon-Clair League all-star game.

In 1987, he played semi-pro ball while working in the District of Columbia. His Fairfax team was crowned the Eastern Seaboard Champion. Fairfax defeated the Korean National team.

From 1980 to 1984, Wilber was a professional baseball scout for the Toronto Blue Jays. He covered six Midwest states and also traveled to California and Florida. His greatest discovery was Mike Henneman of St. Charles who pitched in the Major Leagues for ten years.

In 1980, Wilber was a coach for the Blue Jays farm team in Utica, New York. Wilber was an executive with the Major Indoor Soccer League. He was Vice President of the St. Louis Storm and General Manager of the Kansas City Attack indoor soccer club.

His father was Cardinal catcher Del Wilber who played in the Major Leagues for eight years.

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BRENT WOOD (62)

A right-handed center fielder, Wood played in the Mon-Clair League for sixteen seasons from 1979 to 1994. His team reached the playoffs in twelve of those years. He was with the Shiloh Blue Sox from 1979 to 1982. He played for Highland-Pierron from 1983 to 1987, guiding his team to the league championship series in 1983 and 1984. He won the league batting title in 1983 with a .466 average. He was on the Highland Merchants from 1988 to 1991 and the O'Fallon Merchants from 1992 to 1994. He was a player-manager for both those teams. Wood was selected to thirteen Mon-Clair League all-star teams. He was a .370 career hitter in the Mon-Clair League. In 2010, Wood was inducted into the Mon-Clair Baseball League Hall of Fame.

From 1980 to 1983, Wood was a star center fielder for Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau. His career batting average at SEMO was .345 and his on-base percentage was .459. The SEMO Indians won the division championship in 1982 and 1983, advancing to the NCAA tournament in 1983. Wood was named to the All-Conference team in 1983. He was also a Scholar-Athlete at Southeast Missouri State. Wood was an All-Conference player on the baseball team at Lebanon Community High School in Lebanon, Illinois.

For the past fourteen years, he has been connected with the Beckemeyer Eagles baseball team in the Clinton County League in Illinois.

Wood still plays competitively in senior men's leagues including the St. Louis Baseball Forever League and the St. Louis Men's Baseball League. He regularly competes in national tournaments in various locations around the country.



JOHN MEYER (54)

He is currently the head baseball coach at Marquette High School, a job he has held since 2003. During his 22 years as the head baseball coach at Marquette, he has 337 wins and 213 losses. He won seven district titles and five conference championships. Marquette finished second in the state of Missouri in 2019. In 2023, Meyer was inducted into the Missouri High School Baseball Association Hall of Fame.

In 2019, he was named Baseball Coach of the Year by the Missouri Coaches Association after Marquette finished second at the Missouri State Tournament. That year, he was also named the Midwest Sectional Coach of the Year. In 1999, he was the St. Louis Amateur Baseball Association Coach of the Year. He was the Suburban West Conference Coach of the Year in 2007, 2013, 2014, and 2017.

Meyer served as president of the Missouri State High School Baseball Association from 2012 to 2015, and he was vice president from 2008 to 2011.

Meyer was the assistant baseball coach at Marquette High School for one year before becoming head coach.

From 1999 to 2001, he was the assistant baseball coach at Eureka High School. During that same time, he was the head baseball coach for Meramec Valley in the St. Louis Amateur Baseball Association.

He coached American Legion baseball in Nebraska before moving to St. Louis. Meyer has over 500 wins during his 30-year baseball career. He won numerous championships.



JIM WRIGHT (75)

He was the head baseball coach at Fox High School for 27 years from 1971 to 1998. He guided his Warriors team to the Missouri State Championship in 1973 and 1975. The Warriors finished second in 1974 and 1978. They were third in 1977. The Warriors advanced to the Missouri State Tournament every year during that time. Wright was named Coach of the Year twice.

He was a very successful baseball coach who enjoyed teaching the fundamentals of the game. He conducted numerous baseball clinics in the St. Louis area. He was one of three high school coaches who assisted former Cardinal pitcher Sonny Siebert at the Siebert Baseball Camp in Affton.

Wright played baseball for Central High School in Cape Girardeau, and also for Southeast Missouri State University.

He played three seasons for the strong Cape Girardeau Capahas Baseball Club. The Capahas are a widely respected baseball team with an impressive history.



BOB BLANK (70)

A powerful right-handed pitcher, Blank was drafted in the 18th round of the amateur baseball draft by the Houston Astros in 1975. That year, he pitched for the Astros rookie farm club in Covington, Virginia in the Appalachian League.

He was the all-time ERA leader at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock where he played in 1974 and 1975.

Blank pitched for Southern Illinois University at Carbondale from 1971 to 1974. He pitched for Columbia High School from 1968 to 1971. During that same time, he played American Legion ball for Dupon and Cahokia.

From 1969 to 1982, Blank pitched in the Mon-Clair League for Columbia and Valmeyer. He played on some outstanding Valmeyer Laker teams managed by Dennis Pieper.

Blank has been an administrator of the Mon-Clair League for the past 35 years, helping to sustain and support league operations. He is currently the Secretary-Treasurer of the Mon-Clair League, a job he has held since 1988. He is a member of the committee that

manages the Valmeyer Fourth of July Tournament. tournament.

In 1998, Blank was inducted into the Mon-Clair Baseball League Hall of Fame.

A special thank you to

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~ ABHOF Board of Directors



TOM SWOBODA (47)

He has been a member of the Greater St. Louis Association of Umpires for 31 years, beginning in 1993. During that time, he has worked high school, college, SLABA, and American Legion games in the St. Louis area. He has also been a member of the Frontier League's umpiring staff for the past 24 years.

Swoboda has umpired numerous post season and championship games. He has been an umpire in the Missouri Valley Conference, the Ohio Valley Conference, the American Association, and the Alaska Baseball League. He worked the NCAA regional tournament for several years.

Since 2017, Swoboda has been the Assistant Assigner for Umpires in the St. Louis area. He assigns and schedules umpires for high school, American Legion, and SLABA games.

In 2020, he was honored by the Missouri State High School Activities Association for his work in the St. Louis Region.

Swoboda graduated from the Harry Wendelstedt Umpire School in 1996. That year, he received the Ray Perez Most Promising Umpire Award from the Greater St. Louis Association of Umpires.

Swoboda enjoys teaching newcomers the fundamentals of umpiring.

He played baseball in Washington, Missouri for St. Francis Borgia High School, American Legion Post 218, and East Central College.

Swoboda is an active member of Legion Post 218 where he is a guest speaker at baseball events.

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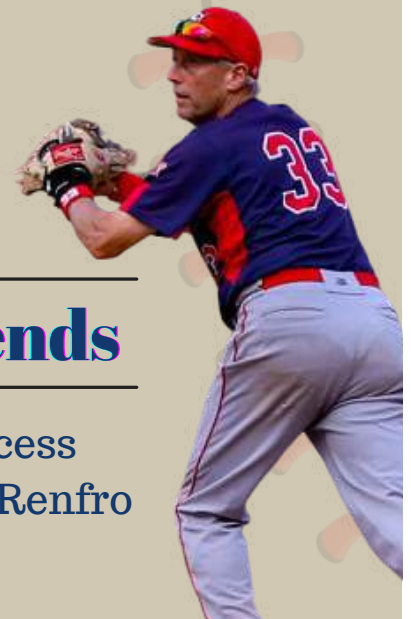
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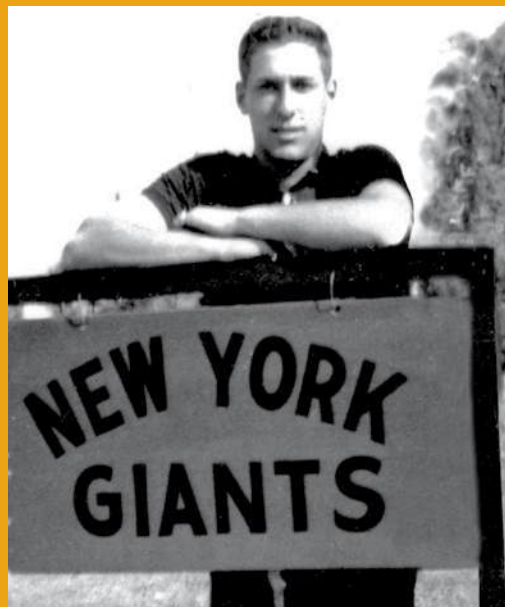
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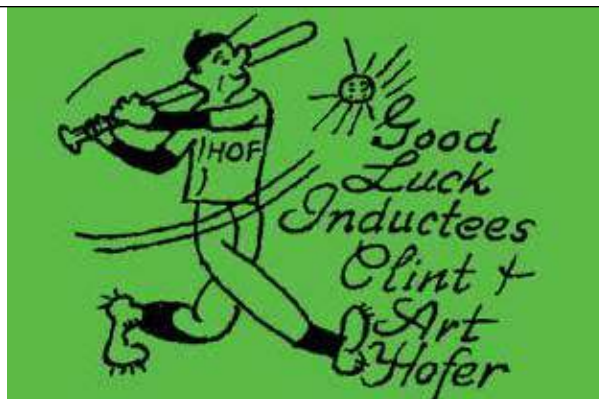
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The display is available to Cardinal fans throughout the baseball season. An auxiliary display is located at the Mathews-Dickey Boys and Girls Club located at 4245 North Kingshighway in St. Louis and is accessible to the public during regular business hours. Members of the Greater STL Amateur Baseball



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Preparing to celebrate its 36th anniversary of summer baseball, the league now boasts 18 member organizations in Missouri and Illinois. In 2023, this includes nearly 45 teams and more than 600 players competing in the 12U through 18U age levels, with league and playoff championships as well as all-star games part of a nearly three-month season.

SLABA offers maximum exposure to top-notch competition as its teams participate in select tournaments across the Midwest each summer.

The league also seeks all available opportunities to connect its players with the region's college coaches so young men can continue their playing careers beyond the high school level. Thousands of SLABA players have played professionally or in college since the league's inception, including:

- Three-time Cy Young Award winner Max Scherzer;
- 2011 NLCS and World Series MVP David Freese;
- 2006 National League MVP Ryan Howard; and
- Current and former MLB players Cody Asche, Morgan Burkhardt, Matt Buschmann, Ross Detwiler, Peter Fairbanks, Tanner Houck, Kyle McClellan, David Phelps, Michael Plassmeyer, Cliff Politte, and Luke Voit.

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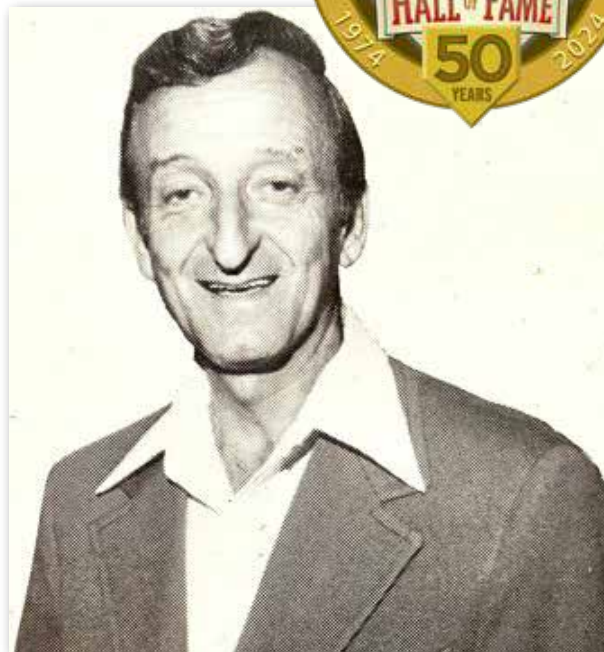
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St. Louis is regularly called “the best baseball town in America.”

But that descriptor is not solely due to the success of its professional baseball teams. What truly makes St. Louis baseball so special is its rich history at the amateur level—a history that dates back to July 9, 1860, when two amateur teams, the Cyclones and the Morning Stars met in the region’s first documented organized baseball game played at Fairgrounds Park, in north St. Louis at Grand and Natural Bridge Avenues.

Amateur baseball is the very root of the game we play, love, and watch. It’s where all baseball players begin. Everyone is an amateur the first time they pop a mitt or take a swing. How many youngsters playing in organized baseball realize that the Khoury League was founded in St. Louis in 1934 and today still calls its National Organization’s home St. Louis? Within this baseball greatness, there was a time when more players were in the Major Leagues from one St. Louis high school than any other in America. Few recognize the significant role that a St. Louis African American amateur league played as a turnstile to the Negro Leagues in the days prior to the integration of Major League Baseball. Beyond high school, there were decades where the region’s teams were regular finalist in the American Legion National Championship games. And for those who could not give up their love of the game, senior amateur baseball has flourished for decades at a level as competitive as many Minor League affiliates. It is this history, the moments, and players that make St. Louis amateur baseball so special. To honor their accomplishments, the Greater St. Louis Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame was established in 1973 to recognize and preserve the memories of those players, coaches, umpires, and contributors who have helped amateur baseball flourish in the Gateway City. Every year since 1974, an induction dinner and ceremony has been held to recognize the newest class of honorees.



*Don Gabbert, Founder and
Chairman of the Board of Directors.*

Tonight is the 50th Anniversary and Induction Ceremony of the Greater St. Louis Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame. The HOF was organized in July 1973, when Don Gabbert initiated discussions to honor those individuals that have made the region’s amateur baseball history so special. Over the next month, Gabbert formed a special committee consisting of himself, Bob Burnes, Gideon Elmore, Ed Fogarty, Chuck Foulke, Walter Giesler, Leroy Hankins, Ben Hopwood, Steve Raab, and Roger Wensel. On August 9, 1973, these men met and formally laid out the qualifications necessary for induction, the awards to be given, and the other necessary items to form and to establish the Greater St Louis Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame.

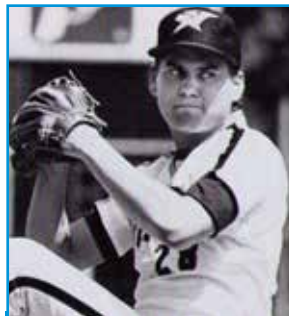
With Don Gabbert elected Chairman, four others, Greg Maracek, Ray Owen, Tom Dix and LeRoy En-

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Pete Delkus



John Parke

Pete and J.P., it was a joy to play with you and it's an honor to be inducted with you!

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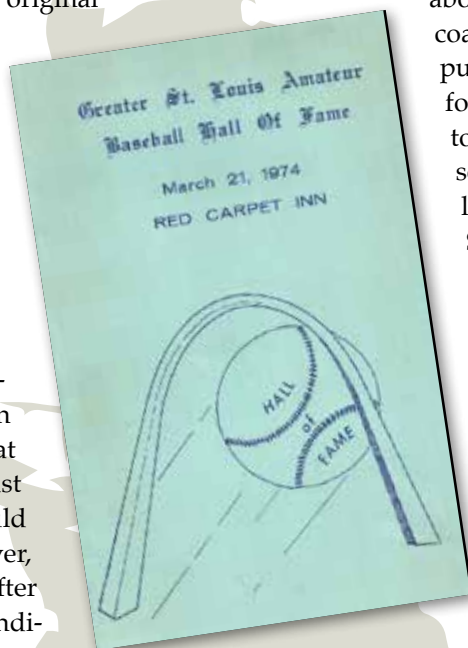


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gert, were added along with the original committee to form a diverse Board of Directors that would represent the many decades of St. Louis amateur baseball. In developing the first class of inductees, the Board put forth the guidelines that no Major League player would be nominated for the award and no director would be eligible for the first year's induction. To be eligible for induction, candidates must have been involved in amateur baseball for at least 10 years and must be at least 50 years old. The inductees would fall into three categories: Player, Contributor, and Umpire. After months of reviewing potential candidates and finalizing their selections, 22 individuals were selected for induction at an awards ceremony scheduled for March 21, 1974, at the Red-Carpet Inn.

The Post-Dispatch called that first ceremony "a smashing success." More than 900 people attended the banquet to pay tribute to the first inductees into the new Hall of Fame. Don Gabbert summoned up the turnout by saying, "It just goes to show that this is a tremendous baseball town...It's a tremendous sellout, that's all." The Master of Ceremonies that night was Bob Burnes, sports editor of the St. Louis Globe Democrat, alongside two other guest speakers Bob Buck of KMOX-TV and France Laux, the former voice of the Browns and Cardinals. From its inception, the induction dinner has always been a very special, well attended, and formal evening.

Honored in the first class of inductees were 22 men whose contributions distinguish themselves



Program and ticket from first induction ceremony.



above all others. While having played, coached, or umpired decades ago, we publish this original class so as not to forget their legacy and what it meant to our region. These are the men that set the bar for all those who would later be inducted into the Greater St. Louis Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame:

- **Tony Kreft** a second baseman and shortstop that played on three St. Louis city championship teams and was president of the Heine Meine League.
- **Gus Schulteheinrich** a triple hitting first baseman who played for Wentzville and managed the first St. Charles American Legion team.
- **Harry Meyers** pitched in national amateur baseball from 1929 through 1939 and managed at Fairgrounds Park and in the Khoury League through 1957.
- **Harry Freise** was a third baseman named to three Muny League all-star teams after it was organized in 1913 and also played with the Ben Millers of the Trolley League.

• **Bernard (Boobie) Eisenbath** was a shortstop second baseman who spent thirty-one years in amateur baseball including the 1930 and 1931 seasons playing with the House of David team as it toured across the country and even played against Babe Ruth's and Lou Gehrig's New York Yankees.

• **Al Nicolai** was an infielder and pioneer in the early years of the Muny League with the Yucatan Chewing Gum team before managing the Monsanto team for nine years.

• **Bill Daum** was a second baseman who began his over 50 years in amateur baseball with a team

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in Centralia, Illinois and was the Khoury Manager of the Year in 1962 for leading the Khoury senior team and the Kutis team in the Ban Johnson League to pennants.

- **Hap Eschenbrenner** was an infielder on seven County League championships (six in Ballwin and one at Manchester) and helped organize the Eastern Missouri Night Baseball League in the 1950s as well as the Ballwin and Manchester Athletic organizations.

- **Tweedy Webb** was an infielder who played on the Tandy League's St. Louis Black Sox, Broomers, and Pullman Shop teams as well as being the area's leading African American baseball historian.

- **John Corcoran** was a shortstop and third baseman that spent eighteen years with the Hellrung and Grims team which competed three times in the national amateur tournament.

In addition to these players in attendance, the following received Sponsors Awards:

- **Thomas Kutis** began picking up the tab for amateur sports in 1930. Today he sponsors sports teams in eight sports.

- **Paul Fultz** managed the Southwest Pros, who traveled more than 10,000 miles across the country playing a challenging 80 game schedule.

- **Martin Mathews** a former amateur baseball star, he formed the Mathews-Dickey Boys Club in 1960.

- **Al Mick** managed 14 years in the Muny League, 12 years in the Heine Meine League and won three pennants and two championships.

- **Mel Schaefer** a player for 17 years, he is a mem-

ber of the board of directors of the ABC League in St. Louis County and headed a fund drive to raise money for St. Louis University's baseball program. Posthumously inducted were:

- **George Khoury Sr.** who founded the Khoury League in 1936 with eight teams. At his death

in 1967, the Khoury Association had grown to 50,000 baseball teams, 700 girls softball teams, and 276. Total participants were close to 1,000,000 players.

- **John Scully** a druggist by trade, he devoted his life to coaching young players in the Muny League and the American Legion.

- **Pete Fix** President of the Muny Association and won acclaim as a manager in 1932 when he guided Muny champion Sentinel De Molay to second place in the national tournament.

- **Edgar Loehr** played amateur baseball and later helped organize a team and helped build a field in Ballwin.

- **Roy Newsom** a catcher and a member of the Schenberg Market championship teams of 1922-23-24, while also playing for Frank Smith's Market Championship team in 1925.

- **Francis (Pete) DeLong** one of the most admired and respected umpires in St. Louis amateur baseball history.

- **Vernon Sandusky** an active umpire from 1922-55, he was known as the dean of umpires in St. Louis. He was the director of the Columbus Playgrounds at Tenth and Carr Streets.



Bob Burnes at the podium of the first induction dinner.

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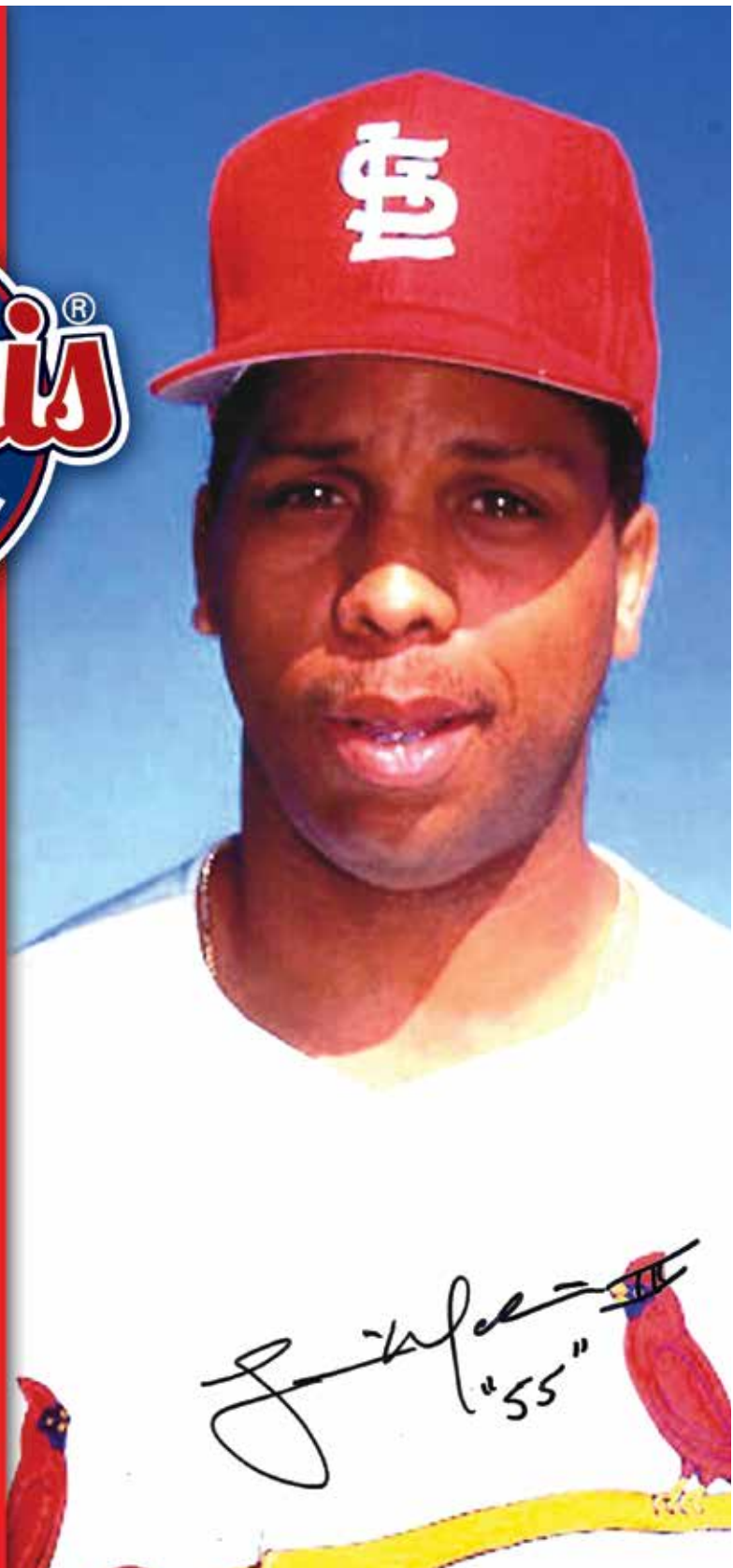


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At that first ceremony, the precedent of honoring inductees with framed certificates and a unique and special Hall of Fame ring was established. They represent each individual's special contributions to the region's amateur baseball experience. When the organization initially decided they couldn't afford them, Don Gabbert used his salesmanship to convince Falstaff Brewing to underwrite the \$525 cost.

To all inductees, these are rings of honor. To date just over 800 individuals have been inducted in the fifty years of the HOF's existence. When looking back over time and recognizing how many hundreds of thousands and more likely "millions" of people have either played or contributed to amateur baseball over the past century, it truly is a very special honor to be one the few chosen to wear these special rings.

Since that first dinner in 1974, the Annual Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies have been held in multiple locations ranging from the Henry VIII Hotel on North Lindbergh Blvd at Highway 70 and then down the interstate to the Marriott St. Louis Airport Hotel. In recent years, the Westport Sheraton Chalet has been home to the annual induction and awards ceremonies. The induction dinners have always been a night of dressing up and remembering the past. As shown in the 25th Anniversary program

from 1998, there was much more to these evenings than just dinners and awards. The celebration went on "For Your Dancing And Listening Pleasure" with Russ David and his Orchestra featuring Doty Bennett that would keep the party going from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.



Inaugural class members Gus Schultehenrich, Tweedy Webb, Harry Freise, and Al Nicolai admire the blue sapphire and silver rings commemorating their induction.

How special have these ceremonies been? All you have to do is look at the list of those who have stepped up to the dais to speak at each year's dinner. From Stan Musial, to Enos Slaughter, to Cool "Papa" Bell, and Bob Feller, these are just a few of the biggest names in baseball history that have come to offer their personal stories and memories to the attendees. While nearly a dozen of our speakers received their own induction into Cooperstown's HOF, the others have all have left mark in St. Louis baseball history.

There have been many other changes to the ceremony over the course of five decades. The earlier induction programs were simply a folded sheet of paper with the evening's details and honorees listed inside. Today's programs now exceed 75 pages, printed in brilliant color detailing past inductees and award winners, while also providing special biographies of the current inductee class. To further recognize the legacy of amateur baseball and their achievements within the sport across the region, there has been an expanded roster of awards beyond each year's annual individual inductees. These awards are named after key alumnus of the St. Louis

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baseball community and display the testament and dedication of each.

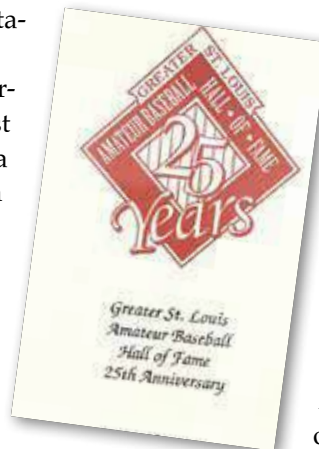
- In recognition of our first Master of Ceremony, the **Bob Burnes Award** was first give out in 2004 to honor a St. Louis area resident for Lifetime Achievement in Professional Baseball.

- The **Bob Broeg Award** was first awarded in 2001 to the high school baseball coach for his commitment to coaching excellence and a lifetime of service to high school baseball in the greater St. Louis area.

- The **Jack Buck Media Award** was first presented in 2004 for service to baseball as a distinguished member of the S. Louis media whose work embodies the principles of Hall of Fame legend Jack Buck.

- The **J. Kim Tucci Legacy Award** was created in 2012 to honor individuals and organizations who are outstanding supporters of baseball in the St. Louis area.

- The **Triple Crown Award** was first awarded in 2023 to recognize an individual who over a sustained period of time has supported the game of baseball and the St. Louis Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame by either financial assistance, sponsorship, or contribution of time and effort.



Program cover and inside page from the 25th ceremony.

- In 1996, the **Rising Star Award** was first presented to honor high school baseball players for achievements on and off the field. Each year with five finalists selected from nominations by high school coaches throughout the region. From those five nominees, the Rising Star is awarded to the player who is considered the "best of the best" in the greater St. Louis area.

As we celebrate fifty years of the best of St. Louis amateur baseball tonight, we can say five decades is truly a long period of time. In reality it is not. When considering all the amateur baseball that has been played across the region since the game first came to town after its birth in Hoboken, New Jersey in 1845, the inductees and award winners of this Hall of Fame represent, over time, the best of the best within our region's game. **Let us all honor those individuals on this stage tonight while also remembering all of the previous inductees and award winners who helped contribute to the legacy of amateur baseball across the greater St. Louis region that helped make ours "the best baseball town in America."**



Congratulations to all 2024 Inductees!

**Larry Donovan
2001 Inductee**

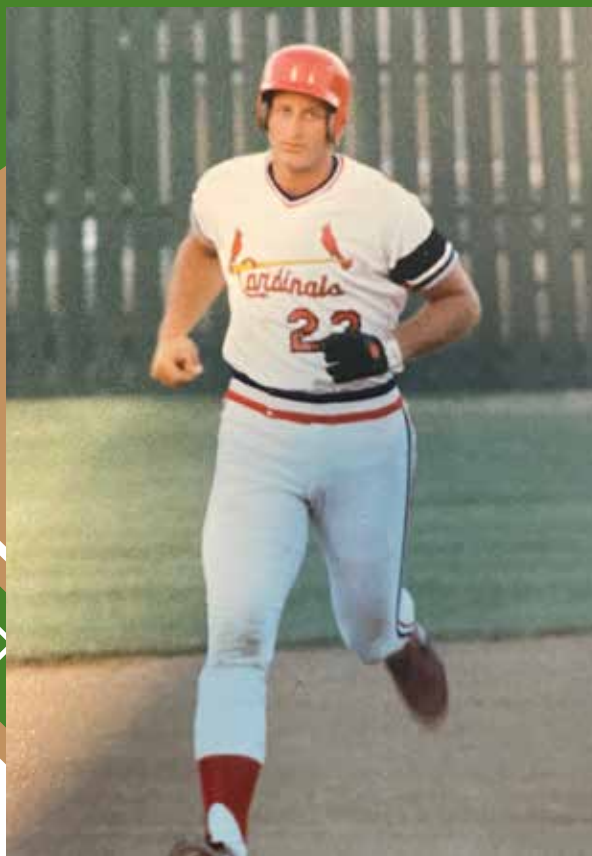
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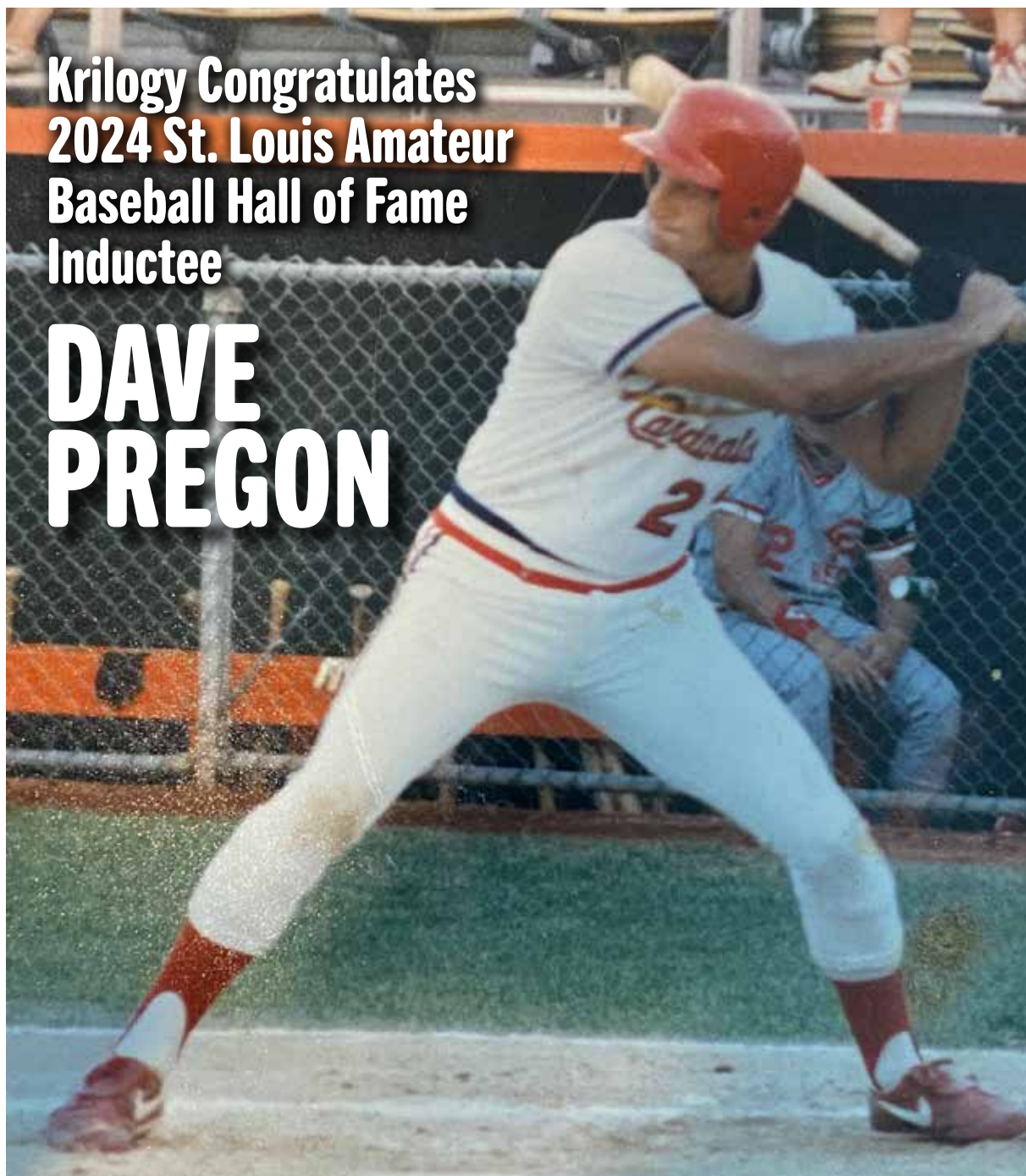
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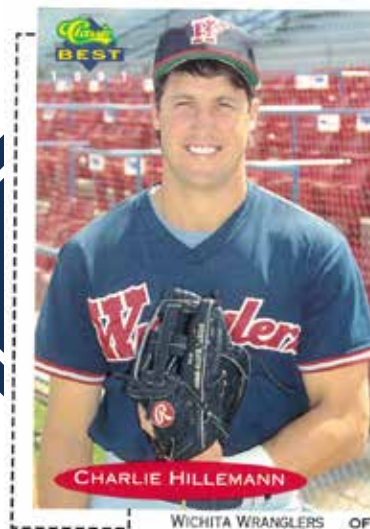
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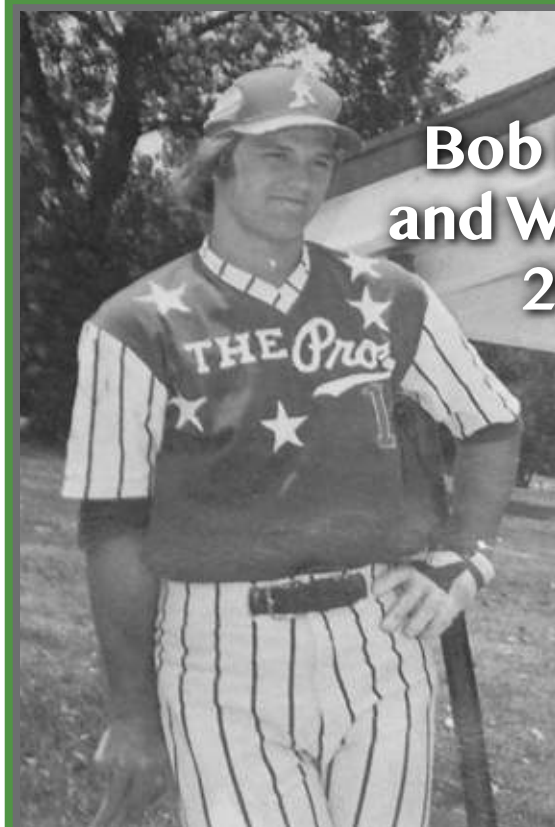
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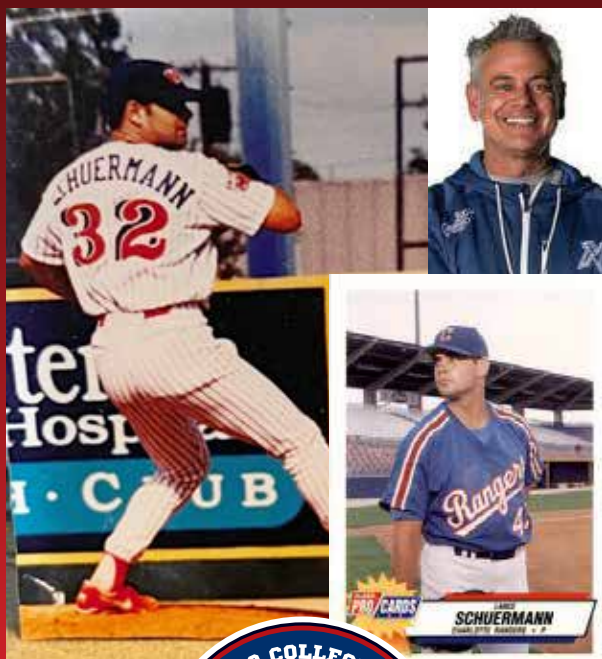
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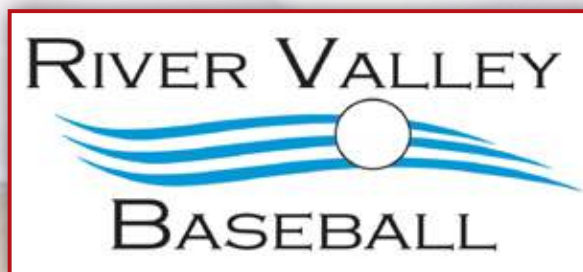


Nothing says baseball like the crack of the bat. Along with the aroma of hotdogs and a lush, green outfield, it is fundamental to our baseball experience. The teeth-grating “tink” of the metal bat just doesn’t rise to the same level. Sure, metal bats are used by practically every amateur, high school and collegiate league. It’s the new norm. So why do some leagues - like the St. Louis Metro Collegiate Baseball League - exclusively use wooden bats? Is it just to honor tradition?

Hardly. For reasons that transcend the sentimental, the wooden bat plays a key role in the pursuit of fine baseball. The wooden bat is one of the most important tools in a player’s development. Hitters hone their swing more precisely and pitchers learn to use the inside corner, challenging hitters. Even coaches are put to the test, as the importance of defense is greatly elevated - thus changing a team’s offensive strategy. That’s why major league scouts pay closer attention to a player’s stats in wooden bat leagues. They are a much more accurate gauge of the player’s level of talent.

For all of these reasons and more, baseball-minded people are returning to wood. The Bridgeton Athletic Association, which hosts River Valley Baseball at its BMAC facility in Bridgeton, has taken that step. RVB now offers an exclusive wooden bat league in its spring/summer session for the 13u and 14u divisions. The early results have been fantastic. The real benefits, however, will be realized as these boys try out, and perhaps play, for their high school teams. Who knows? Perhaps we’ll see some of them a few years hence...playing for the St. Louis Metro Collegians.

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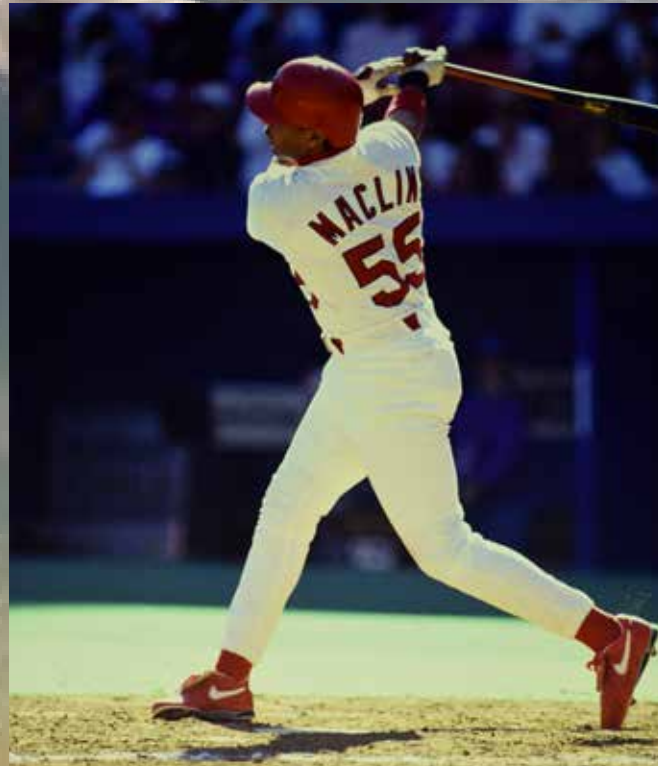


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