

Arizona Gets Revival Signs

PHOENIX, ARIZ. (By Ray Anderson) — For quite a few years Arizona and particularly the Phoenix area, was blessed with topflight major men's teams. There were such teams as Turquoise Kings, Schaefer & Smith, Southern Truck Raiders. These teams were often in the thick of national championship tournaments. The last couple of years the prestige of teams from this area has become a little faded. However, the game still prevails here and there are a few new leaders who are trying to revive the interest in the sport. Among these is Ron James. Last year he was more or (On Page 13)

Tim Reynolds Fights Back; Needs Help

ST. JOSEPH, MO. (Jan. 5)—"I just left the Methodist Medical Center where Tim Reynolds continues to be struggling against all of his problems," Edwin Christgen, manager of Walnut/Woods team writes The Bulletin. "The doctors assure (On Page 18)



TIM REYNOLDS

1981 All-American Needs Help

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Home Names Smith; Signs Top Pitcher

AURORA, ILL. (By Dan Murr, Sports Editor, Aurora Beacon-News, and submitted by Ed Kirner) — Yes, Aurora Home Savings and Loan will have a major team in 1984! I just want to clear that up," said Home General Manager Bill Paul, Thursday, Dec. 8, at a special press conference in



CLIFF SMITH

returns as manager of Aurora Home Savings

his office. "Home will have a team. There have been rumors that we wouldn't—Cliff Smith will be the manager." Paul and Smith also announced jointly that the new pitcher will be 6-2, 210-pound righthander Chris Nicholas, a New Zealander, who pitched for Dave Frye Plastering of Bakersfield, Calif., last season and posted a 28-12 record and 0.90 earned run average. He is built along the same mold as Decatur ADM's righthander David Scott. "Pitching was the big thing," (On Page 12)



CHRIS NICHOLAS

New Zealander to pitch for Aurora

Cal State Fullerton Wins Cypress Meet

WHITTIER, CALIF. (By Roland Sheldon) — One would think they were watching the 1982 Cypress Thanksgiving Holiday women's open tourney, as the finalists were the same in 1983. However, the outcome was reversed. In '82 it was the Fullerton Arrows fighting off Cal State Fullerton Titans as the latter tried coming out of the losers' bracket to win the tourney. However, the past turkey day it was the Titans winning the crown, beating the Arrows, 2-0, in title game. The Arrows were knocked into the losers' bracket in the first round by NCAA Division II champion, Cal. (On Page 23)

LATE NEWS:

WAUKESHA, WIS. — Les Cigel of Antigo, Wis., has had a good team for several years, known as All-Car, ranking just behind Rod Peterson's Madison Farm in Wisconsin. But, this year Les wants his team to equal or better than The Farm, at least. So, he decided upon a rebuilding program. The first thing he did was to get Jim Melville as manager. Now Melville has been a topflight infielder and clutch hitter for years. He has been as- (On Page 17)

Answers Plea

CON BROWN, FORMER MINNESOTA PLAYER, NOW OF COLORADO, HAS SEVERAL IDEAS ON HOW TO MAKE BULLETIN MORE ACCEPTABLE TO AVERAGE PLAYERS; SUGGEST CATEGORIZING ACCORDING TO CLASS

LAKEWOOD, COLO. (By Con Brown) — On Page 2, November issue of Bulletin, requesting input and ideas on how to improve your publication. If your circulation has plateaued the last few years, it is quite possible that most ardent fastpitch players (mostly major, class AA) have subscribed. Those that are going to! So, you need to expand — change your reach and approach. Granted, you have

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Novak's would be in a section (category) of its own. Also, an index would let the reader know what and where the info he or she wants to read is... Many readers (I think) feel beaten or frustrated to read all 36 pages to find maybe 10 pages that interests or pertains to them....You also have ASA or ISC — men or women — adults or juniors. Break it up for simplicity....It isn't that they are not impressed with your efforts, it's that people want convenience. That's what sells, holds them, or produces growth interest. Convenience!Don't give up — you have done something no one else that I am aware of, has done! 2). RAISE THE PRICE to \$10 or whatever is needed. People will pay for something wanted and fills a need. But, make your reorganizational changes first—then raise (On Page 6)

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box seats for the tournament here in September, 1981, and they were given first chance to purchase same seats. That deadline was Nov. 30 and beginning Dec. 1, the tickets were open for sale to general public. The price of box seats are \$200 per box, four seats to a box. Bennett also pointed out that grandstand prices will be \$30 for the 21 sessions in advance. Parking for the entire tournament is \$10. Recreational vehicle parking near the stadium is \$25. Those who wish to buy tickets in advance may do so by sending checks payable to National Tournament Committee, P.O. Box 521, Station F, St. Joseph, Mo. 64506. Bill France is to serve as tournament manager and in charge of housing. He can be reached at Seville Motor Inn, I-29 and Fredricks, St. Joseph, Mo. 64504 and can be reached by phone at 1-816-232-2311....The local Walnut/Woods team has been selected the host team of the national meet by the tournament committee in their meeting Oct. 12. This committee, under the direction of Missouri ASA Commissioner Fred J. Hoffman, went over plans for the fall classic's second visit here in four years. Walnut/Woods was the host team in 1981 tourney held at Phil Welch Stadium, playing under the Walnut Products banner, and surprised practically everyone in accomplishing a fourth place finish behind the great southpaw Tim Reynolds. Walnut Products' success under the managership of Edwin Smith contributed heavily to the approximately 90,000 who attended to watch the first national meet staged here. Ken

Christgen, owner of host team, thanked the committee for their support and stated the move will give him time to make preparations. "Now, we're going to make plans to have the top teams in the nation here for two or three tournaments this summer prior to the nationals." Christgen admitted the franchise was

Searching for

More Pitchers

looking to improve its lineup for the '84 tournament, including a front-line pitcher to team with Tim Reynolds. Christgen referred all other questions to his son Edwin Christgen, manager of Walnut/Woods. Edwin Christgen, who merged the Walnut Products and his old St. Joseph Woods team into a state championship unit this past summer, already is looking for that second pitcher. Although the managers have changed and the name has been altered, the quality of talent remains in the franchise. Reynolds put together a string of scoreless innings and achieved first team All-American honors as a reward for his achievements here in 1981. It was a personal high for the 6-foot-6 southpaw. Walnut Products finished third in the 1982 National Sports Festival and went to Midland, Mich., to compete in the national. Last year Reynolds had to overcome cancer surgery to regain his old ability. He wasn't 100 per cent most of the season, but he made up for it with "guts" and "savvy." He developed Hepatitis prior to the regionals in Topeka, Kan., but still hung in as the local team failed to reach the national tournament for the first time since 1970. (Edwin Christgen told The Bulletin recently that Reynolds had more followup surgery Dec. 12 and as soon as he could have visitors, he asked Christgen if he had located another hurler to help him this coming summer. "He's a 'gutty' pitcher," Christgen stated. "And on top of that(On Page 4)

ST. JOSEPH, MO. (By Bob Martin, Sports Editor Gazette, and submitted by John Younger) — Box seat sales for the 1984 ASA national men's major tournament to be staged here Sept. 7-15, are moving along well, according to Ellary Bennett, ticket chairman. Bennett's group several weeks ago, sent out letters to people who purchased reserved

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SALES GOING WELL (From Page 3) he's one of the nicest guys you can meet. I just wish there were more players like him!" Further, Christgen told the Bulletin he was negotiating with Alan Colglazier of Pueblo, Colo., but he has family ties there and a good job. Colglazier is a nationally famous pitcher.) Charles Blakley and Tom O'Brien are All-Americans who will be in right and centerfield as they were in 1981. Charles Pusateri, long regarded as one of the top defensive shortstops in the game as well as the franchise's leading hitter for years; Leo Blakley, catcher; Jerry McDaniel, third base, and Bobby Blakley are still with the Walnut team. Bobby Blakley took over the leftfield position on a regular basis this last season and was one of the leading hitters. He played a major role in the team's state tournament success. Herb Lucas pitched in the 1981 national for Walnut and returned to the team in 1983. But, after having back surgery, Lucas never achieved his 1981 level of accomplishment. Vince Kafka, second base, and Rich Loehnig, first base, played feature roles in their first seasons in Walnut/Woods uniforms....Five teams already are in the 1984 tourney. Besides the host team, Walnut/Woods, there are the top four finishers from 1983 that qualify automatically. These are and order in which they finished: Franklin Cardinals, Decatur ADM, Home Savings & Loan, Aurora, Ill., and Bank of Pennsylvania Sunners with Ty Stoffley. The remainder will qualify from regional tournaments, from the 15 regional areas throughout the country.

WHY WAS STEVE KERIAN ST. JOSEPH, MO. (By John Younger) - One note about the 1983 ASA men's major national tournament, staged at Decatur, Ill.: MISSED ALL-AMERICAN? It surprised me to see that someone who had 29 at bats, scored seven runs, had 11 hits, four runs batted in and batted for a sensational .379 average for the second place ADM team of Decatur, but wasn't named on any of the three All-American teams??? I think Steve Kerian at least deserves a congratulations!....Received the November Bulletin Dec. 1, and you and your wife, plus all your helpers, continue to thrill me with your work. Read your editorial relative to Bulletin's financial prospects. Wish I had the answers. I have told you before that I can't understand why anyone, who is involved in fastpitch in any way, that wouldn't be interested in The Bulletin. I have passed out copies to players, managers, umpires and fans. Also, I have subscribed to The Bulletin for several people. Some show interest, others don't. Perhaps a corporation like ADM could help. Why not ask them and lay it on the line. It couldn't hurt to ask, could it? Anyway, I would hate to see The Bulletin stop. All I can say is "keep your chin up" and do what you have to do. (Thanks, John. You have helped in many ways and we thank you! - The Editor.)

NEED ONE MORE ENTRY ST. JOSEPH, MO. (By Carl Wilson) - The Tri-State Fastball league actually will have teams from four states for 1984 seasons as the IN TRI-STATE LEAGUE Texas Kings from Fort Worth, the 1982 champions, have returned for the 1984 year. League Commissioner Jim Allen is looking for one more team to join with Tulsa, Okla., Firebirds, Olathe, Kan., Eudora, Kan.; St. Joseph, Mo., Walnut/Woods; Kansas City, Mo., and Lexington, Mo., for an 8-team league. The league's big weekend schedule will be played in Tulsa, Okla., May 19-20; Kansas City, June 16-17; Lexington, Mo., June 23-24, and St. Joseph, Mo., July 14-15. At our last meeting in St. Joseph Dec. 3, hosted by Ken Christgen, we named Lainey Linblad as public relations director for upcoming season. Her address is 146 Garfield, Bohner Springs, Kan. 66012. Other officers renamed are Jim Allen, St. Charles, Mo., commissioner; Carl Wilson, Tulsa, Okla., president; Ron Clawson, Warrensburg, Mo., vice president; Edwin Christgen, St. Joseph, secretary, and Sam Potter, Springfield, Mo., treasurer. Any team interested in league membership should contact Commissioner Jim Allen at 1-314-946-8835 or Carl Wilson at 1-918-437-9334.

TWO BIG MEETS SIOUX CITY, IOWA - Gale Kurtz is planning two tournaments for the top-flight teams of the country at Penn Corp. park here. On May 18-19-20 AT SIOUX CITY he plans a 12-team major men's tourney, then on June 8-9-10 he is to stage a 6-team meet made up of best clubs in midwest. Entry fee for each is \$200 plus ball per game. Penn Corp. park here is one of the best and is an ideal tournament location. Team managers should contact Gale Kurtz, 335 Davidson Bldg. Sioux City, Iowa 51104 or call 1-712-255-5021 or 1-712-239-3802.

DURING THE 1983 season The Bulletin instituted a feature that proved to be amazingly popular among our readers. It was "LET'S RATE TEAMS" feature for men's major teams. In this, readers were asked to rate teams each month as to their quality and indicate how these would finish at year's end. We tabulated their selections and published the results each month. This proved most interesting for our readers and did much to maintain and promote interest in the great game of fastpitch softball, which we are convinced is the greatest amateur team sport played today! So, The Bulletin is to repeat this feature again in '84. Only this year, we are to add the women's major teams to this rating feature as well....To tabulate and rate teams, those selected as first or top choices, are given 10 points; the second choice receives nine points, and so on down through your top 10 choices. We will receive and tabulate your selections that you send us, using blanks below, and each month we will print the results. Should be interesting and fun and will give readers a chance to express their own opinions!.... Most of the major teams have already reorganized for '84 season. California Kings of Merced, Calif., have signed the great Peter Finn, so that team will be a power. The Bloomington, Ill., Bidweisers have added a great pitcher, Graham Arnold. The two powers in Iowa, Modern Piping of Cedar Rapids and Butt'r Topp of Clear Lake, have merged and that team will have to be reckoned with this year. Oh, there are a lot of changes which will make this, "LET'S RATE TEAMS!" very interesting! Start now! Blanks below:

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ROCHESTER FINDS SPONSOR:

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (By Otto Steger) - Rochester's tournament team has found a new sponsor and the team will be called

PROMOTER SMITH MAY LEAVE

TheFiero's. They also signed an excellent pitcher, who is 27-year-old Chris Breezy, who throws extremely hard. Also,

he will help with his bat as he is a great hitter and will be a great asset to the team. Their other pitchers will be John Dumaw and Dubby Herman, who is coming out of retirement, and, hopefully, they will have Chuck Smith. But we might lose Chuck this season, because he has been out of work for over a year. He has five job offers as of now, but out of town. There are three offers from Ohio and one each in Maryland and New Jersey. I hope we don't lose him, not only because of his hitting and pitching, but he is a fine person. Chuck has helped build fastpitch in Rochester and if he leaves it surely will be a great loss to fastpitch in Rochester....Our team will be having a meeting soon to decide what players we want to try out for this team....Two of the top teams in our region have folded. The Interstate Battery men from Massachusetts and the Linden Merchants of New Jersey. Rumors are that the Battery men pitching staff, Tony Hunhoff, went to Ashland, Ohio, and Dennis Amell went back to his old team in Portland, Maine. Linden's pitching staff, Nelson Walker is with Reading, Pa., and Larry Walker went back to Canada and Rich Hoppe will be pitching for HIOP from New Jersey. With the loss of these two teams that makes it easier for Rochester to try and win the ASA regionals and ISC regionals. I think this coming season will be our year to win....To everyone that reads The Bulletin, I wish a happy holiday season!

THEY WRITE: "I see by The Bulletin the fastpitch players are on the move again. I guess that is one thing that makes the game so exciting. It's always such a surprise to see where they will play the next year. Keep up the good work," Frank Porth, treasurer of ISC, El Paso, Texas...."Please renew my subscription and keep the great game of fastpitch alive and well," Scott Norris, Rockford, Ill...."Please renew and you're doing great job, as usual," Gordon Anderson, Nottan, Mass.

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ALL-AMERICAN BAR ST. PAUL, MINN. - The Bulletin editor called Jim Rubbelke, manager of St. Paul All-American Bar, on Dec. 19, to inquire if he planned to reorganize his team for 1984. "Sure we are," he replied, and he told us who we were before we had a chance to identify ourselves. "I'd know your voice any time even though I haven't seen you in several years." He went on to say his club, one of the oldest in the St. Paul-Minneapolis area, was to have an organizational meeting right after the first of the year. His team has been in existence for many years under different sponsors. The first we remember was Whitaker Buick. Then there was the Arctic Cats. It has been the All-American Bar for the last few years and he is to have the same sponsor again this year.... "We would like to land a good, young pitching prospect with lots of ability that we could train," he told The Bulletin. "We have enough old timers to serve as excellent teachers. Also back for mound duty will be the veterans Gary Watland and Don Olson. Then, if he is able to recover from last year's injuries, we have the famous Al DeWall, for years one of the better pitchers in the country. (DeWall and Darwin Tolzin pitched Rubbelke's team to the championship of the ISC back in 1976 at Long Beach.) And then we have my brother, Tom Rubbelke, who gets better each year. But age is taking its toll on DeWall and we'll have to wait until warm weather to see if Al's joints will operate.... Speaking of weather," Jim continued, "it was 29 degrees below zero here this morning and the wind chill factor was away down to the '40's and '50's."... Jim stated that he assumed most of his 1983 club would be back. That included Bill Saazer, an outfielder who hit in the .360 range. Also, coming back, Jim said, will be many veterans, including Tim Egan, Steve Lanier and Steve Schmidt.... As to last year, Jim said, "We had a pretty fair year. We qualified for the ASA nationals at Decatur, Ill., but we fell a little flat, winning one and losing two." In their first game, St. Paul nosed out Ed Novak Trucking of Midland, Mich., 4-3, on Tim Egan's solo shot in fifth. Hall of Famer Dick Brubaker of Aurora, Ill., Home Savings then handed St. Paul its first loss, 6-2. In their next national tournament game, the All-American Bar faced one of the greatest pitchers who ever threw a softball, Ty Stofflet and his Reading, Pa., Sunners and Ty prevailed on a 3-hitter and won 10-0 to send Jim Rubbelke and his All-American Bar team back to St. Paul. "Nevertheless, it was a good season," said Rubbelke. "Reaching the national tournament is a goal that few teams attain. We are looking forward to 1984!"... Teams or players wanting to contact Jim Rubbelke can do so by writing him at 1176 Jessamine Ave., St. Paul, Minn. 55106, or call him at 1-612-771-7406.

FAULTLESS RUBBER WILL ASHLAND, OHIO (By Bill Van Dine) - In 1981 the Ashland Faultless Rubber team fought its way to the finals of the ASA men's major national tournament at St. Joseph, Mo. The team has not fared that well since, but this is another year. We have added four new players, which we hope will be the injection we need. The new additions are Randy Reile, Willy Geiser, Kevin Markel and Dick Riley. Reile is probably the best outfielder in Ohio - a good switch hitter, very dangerous on the bases and gets you that extra base when you need it.... Geiser, first baseman-outfielder from Orville is a good defensive player, has power at the plate and a dandy long-ball hitter.... Kevin Markel, a competent young catcher has been added and is a welcome addition. This will be Kevin's first year in major fastpitch and his hitting could be a question, but he is a good receiver and will strengthen the ball club.... Dick Riley needs no introduction as he was with Faultless several years before joining Ashland Merchants/EBB for the '83 season. In 1981, Dick was a star outfielder for Faultless in the ASA nationals at St. Joseph, and was named on the second All-American team. He is a top-flight outfielder, one of the best hitters in Ohio, and can walk to the mound and beat any team on a given night.... Mike Stillings, top pitcher, is returning for his third year with Faultless. Also, Larry Fox, former manager of Marysville and a long time player, has been added for coaching duties, and will bring a new dimension to the coaching staff. Scheduling is still not complete, but we will be appearing in 1984 ADM Memorial day tournament at Decatur, Ill. Team managers can contact Mike Van Dine, 868 Howry Drive, Ashland, Ohio 44805, for information about the Faultless team, or the team manager, Tom Zappone, 141 Lilac Lane, Ashland, Ohio 44805 or call him preferably at 1-419-289-0613.

A.P.O. News

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Johnson (UK champions, USAFE runner-up), Mildenhall, England, Pitcher Larry Moore (UK runner-up), Slangdahlem, Germany, Pitcher Guadalupe Valenzuela (CSC runner-up), and Camp New Amsterdam, Holland, Pitcher Shorty Dozier. Our loss is the states' gain as I'm sure we'll be reading about their exploits with civilian teams in upcoming issues of The Bulletin. (Editor's note: You stateside teams crying for pitchers, here's your chance. Look these fellows up at the nearby service base.)...All is not bad news in Europe. I have heard of many quality pitchers and players being shipped to Europe... With the help of The Bulletin, many military people are finding out what excellent leagues we have throughout Europe - being able to travel and play fastpitch all over Europe - what more could anyone want?...The Ramstein Rams again look to be one of the

Ramstein Rams

best teams in Europe (1981-82-83 champions). Led by the pitching of Jeff Kepner and Wendell Parsons, the Rams have compiled a 171 win-12 loss record over last three years. The Rams have lost their starting

Still Favored

catcher and two outfielders from last year....Ron Ball's Rhein Main (Frankfurt) team has received a big boost when they learned they're getting the No. 2 pitcher from Phoenix, Ariz., B&D Supply. I didn't get his name, just that he's left-handed and had Manager Ron Ball smiling. (Bulletin checked with Tony Faranacci, 1983 manager of B&D, and he thinks the T-Bird does not have the right information, "and I know him, too, as I formerly played with the T-Bird.")...The Camp New Amsterdam Wolfhounds are hoping for some good news concerning pitching. They've lost their "hose," Shorty Dozier, and are hoping they another gem. Shorty will be missed throughout the Continental Sports Conference...Iraklion, Greece (Crete) Coach Tim Wise told me they were going to start working out in January. He's all fired up about his new complex being built right off the ocean....We would like players who are shipping to Europe to write to the following people if they would like news about fastpitch at your next base or Fastpitch Softball News throughout Europe: For news/information about England, write: Jerry Chase, Box 1226, A.P.O., New York 09127....For news/information about fastpitch throughout Europe: Terry Thompson, Box 8322, A.P.O., New York 09012....I'll have more news next month. Many bases are changing coaches/managers and many have not made their selections at this date 12/12.

ONLY FOUR OPEN DATES

TULSA, OKLA. (By Carl Wilson) With playing dates established for Tri-State league and agreeing to play in Sioux City, Iowa, tourney June

ON FIREBIRD SCHEDULE

8-10, the Tulsa Firebirds have only four open weekends on their '84 schedule. Teams wishing to play home-and-home series with Firebirds should contact Carl Wilson, 1-918-437-9334 or Gary Harp, 1-918-245-8888. It looks like we'll have all our players back for coming season. Our pitchers will be Cal Oxford and Bob Childress. We could use one more, especially during the heavy big weekend schedule in Tri-State league, when all teams gather in one city and play a round robin....We wish to thank Ann and Ray Anderson for work they do publishing Bulletin.

RAMSTEIN, GERMANY (By the T-Bird) - With the season only a few months away, anticipation would be the best word to describe the fastpitch winter wait in Europe. I've traveled to six countries and 17 bases in the last month and at each base they're waiting to see who's shipped in. We lost no less than four of our top 10 pitchers to stateside assignment. Gone are Bentwater's England Pitcher Rodney

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ANOTHER EXPANDING

SPRINGFIELD, ILL. (By Larry Harnly, Sports Editor Springfield Journal-Register) - The 1982 formation of Central Illinois Fastpitch League was the start - a good one. But league play among quality fastpitch teams has surpassed the CIFPL and caused it to fold after two years. However, the better teams in that league - Brandt's Chemical, Bloomington Budweiser and Taylor Springs - have joined with Stewardson-Strasburg and Casey to form a 6-team southern division of the Illinois International Softball Congress Travel League. There will be a northern division consisting of two teams from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, one from Elgin and Woodstock, Ill., Muscatine, Iowa, and perhaps one from Dubuque, Iowa, according to Dave Dorris, Bloomington Budweiser general manager and a league organizer. One major difference between the two leagues is that the new ISC league (the old one was ASA) will offer tangible reward of considerable influence - a trip to the ISC nationals for the winner of the playoff between the two divisions. Those teams not qualifying for the nationals still will have a chance to advance by entering the ISC state tournament July 28-29 which will be hosted by Decatur ADM, the No. 2 finisher in Amateur Softball Assn. (ASA) major national tournament last season at Decatur. The southern division might have an additional quality team - the Bloomington Hearts.

Hearts May Enter

"We did not ask the Hearts to join, but they asked the league," said Dorris, who added that ADM was not invited, either. "It's undecided which division they will be in. I prefer them in southern. Dorris said each team in a 6-team division will play 20 league games....A major off-season coup was pulled off by the Budweiser team, which added Graham Arnold, 30-year-old pitching veteran who is nationally famous. "Graham quit the Hearts in the middle of last season," Dorris said. "He said he was not happy with them but he went back and finished the year with them. The final straw was when they brought in Peter Finn (giving the Hearts five pitchers) and didn't pitch Arnold enough. Graham is a finesse pitcher and has to pitch a lot of games to be effective. Arnold was 83-34 in three years with the Hearts. Budweiser's other two pitchers are Ken Pauli and Ed Durdan. Pitcher Jack Burkhart, who was with Budweiser part of last year, has moved to Kansas City, Mo. Budweiser has lost Jeff Collins to the Hearts....OTHER NOTES: The team known as Wood River-Gillespie Budweiser Kings will operate in 1984, but will have a different home base, said Russ Boice, King's general manager. "It will be based in Missouri," said Boice, who added that he may run the team. Denry Bruckert, who managed the Kings last year and formerly managed ADM and was a coach with the Hearts, will not return as manager. Boice said Pitcher Rich Tillitt, former Highland basketball coach, wants to return. Boice would like to have Pitcher Pete Kulenkamp of Gillespie back after he pitched for the Hearts last year. Boice added that Mike Hopkins will be back but that Mark Burris is a question mark....ADM has announced one addition - James Noffke, who played third and rightfield and caught for Stewardson-Strasburg. He's 26 and played baseball for Southern Illinois-Edwardsville, batted .428 for Stewardson-Strasburg last year and then hit .500 for Bloomington Beer Nuts in midwest regional tournament....Kevin Henderson has left Aurora Home Savings and returned to New Zealand. He has been replaced by another Kiwi, Chris Nichols, who had a great year with Bakersfield Frye last year. Dale LaGow has resigned as manager and been replaced by former manager Cliff Smith....Decatur will host the ASA women's major state tournament this year.

NEW SOFTBALL MAGAZINE

STARTED BY JERRY FORD

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA - On Jan 17 a brand new softball magazine was scheduled to hit the news stands and is known as Softball Insight. It is produced here by Jerry Ford, the founder of Softball Capitol News, who sold his interest in the tabloid. The first issue will have 100 pages and a half million copies are reported to have been printed. It is a sophisticated slick paper magazine, somewhat similar to Sports Illustrated, the popular sports magazine. It will cater to all types of softball and Joe Swanson, former player, is to help Mr. Ford as associate editor. "Such a publication is an expensive proposition," Ford told The Bulletin, "but I think we have ample financial backing." He said one of the magazines features will be to conduct an annual awards program to name the best players each year. If the magazine cannot be found on the news stands, write Softball Insight, 1500 2nd Ave. S.E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52403. Mr. Ford did not report the subscription price or single issue cost.

Savers Rebuild!

CLIFF SMITH BACK AS MANAGER; SIGN CHRIS NICHOLAS
AS PITCHER; NEED CATCHER AND COUPLE OF OTHER NEW
FACES; LOYAL AURORA FANS GRATEFUL TEAM TO RETURN

AURORA, ILL. (By Dan Murr, Sports Editor Aurora Beacon-News, and submitted by Ed Kirner) - If you ask Cliff Smith about the excitement of returning as Home Savings and Loan's manager, he'll talk about the Rose Bowl game, or his wife's broken foot and their 30th wedding anniversary. But maybe it was like Cliff

Smith had never really gone from the Savers' third base coaching box. He'll be back on the field in March, but his presence will be felt immediately. Home General Manager Bill Paull made the announcement Dec. 8 at a press conference.... "We need another catcher," Smitty said, "someone who can do a respectable job, maybe someone from the area who has aspirations to play big league ball." "Yeah, but he won't name names," said one observer about Smith, who apparently had someone in mind.... "Pitching and catching are the two spots where we needed help," Paull said. "We've got the pitchers, now we need a catcher." Paull also named Chris Nicholas, the big righthanded New Zealander, who has pitched in California last four years, as the replacement for Kevin Henderson, who returned to his native land after last season.... In four years he has pitched in U.S., Nicholas has been tournament MVP 10 times and named to numerous all-tourney teams; in the ISC World last year he beat Houston on a 1-0 shutout; in the Brewer-Bishop Classic last season, he was 5-0 and beat Lancaster Chameleons (1983 champs) three straight, on final day, while Paul Magan received most of the press because of his 1982 ISC awards but he lost three to Seattle, while Nicholas beat that national powerhouse three times.... "It's really sad to think we will not have a team next year," said Bakersfield Manager Ron Chambers, "but all good things must come to an end. If I were to have a team, the first person I would want to play for me would be Chris Nicholas. He's a topflight pitcher and more than that, he's a fine person. I have never heard him complain about the play of his teammates and he never talks against an opponent. He's a class guy. I'm happy he'll be with a team that has the reputation Aurora has," Chambers said. "I've heard nothing but good news pertaining to the entire Aurora organization. I wish Chris and Aurora the best.".... Smith indicated that it's likely Home will have a couple of new faces in 1984, that while some positions might be locked up, others are wide open. "Just because someone who played last year had a uniform doesn't mean they'll have one this year," Smitty said. "Some may come and some may go, but they'll have to go out and do the job and work hard."... Paull and Warren Bachert, Home's chairman of the board, are both happy about Smith being back. "He knows the game as well as anyone," said Paull, "and we know he'll do the job."... But everyone breathed a little easier when Home Savings and Loan General Manager Bill Paull made it official that the Savers will be back in action here again in 1984.... Smith isn't anticipating anyone quitting now. Veteran Pitcher Dick Brubaker, who said he pitched his last game in the ASA nationals at Decatur last fall, is the only one retiring. "But we'll begin building again," Smith said. (Editor's note: We thank Dan Murr for two stories about Home Savings & Loan.)

CHANGE SPONSORSHIP:

HANNIBAL, MO. (by Gary McCarty) - The O'Donnell team, formerly Milt's Buds-C.D. & Dogs of Hannibal will have an improved team in 1984. We have added four new players and two quality pitchers in Phil Wilkerson and Kirk Wilson. Also, we will stage two

ADD QUALITY HURLERS

men's tournaments here. The annual George Dryden meet will be held June 16-17. This is to be a 12-team double elimination. Brandts of Springfield, Ill., is the defending champion. On July 21-22 we will hold the annual Bud Lite double elimination tourney, and the best teams in the midwest have been invited. For information team managers are asked to contact Gary McCarty at R.R.#1, Hannibal, Mo. 63401 or call 1-314-221-8854. Early entry is urged to be sure and be included.

THEY WRITE: "Although I haven't played fastpitch for a few years, your publication helps me keep current with the game," J. Larry Vowell, Cincinnati, Ohio. "Please renew subscription and keep up good work," Donald Tacke, Crystal Lake, Ill.

HOME NAMES SMITH (From Page 1) Paull said., "and I think we've got a good one. We have been talking to pitchers all winter and he has the credentials." Paull said he hoped to work Ronnie Sterkel into the No. 2 spot with Bobby Sterkel also available along with Steve Sterkel to handle some weekday pitching (the Sterkels are sons of Aurora's former great pitcher, Harvey Sterkel). Smith, meanwhile will be returning to Home after a 5-year absence as manager. He replaced Dale LaGow, Home's player-manager since 1979 when Smith spent six weeks managing the U.S. team in Pan-Am games in Puerto Rico....Smith produced some exciting teams and was inducted into ASA Hall of Fame last season. Dick Brubaker, star pitcher for Home for many years, also made it to the ISC Hall of Fame last season. He announced his retirement in 1983 after he pitched in the 25th national tournament at Decatur last year....The veteran field general's most notable accomplishment was guiding the Savers to four consecutive runner-up finishes in ASA nationals....Nicholas, who returned to New Zealand on the day of the announcement and will come back to Aurora in February, has been pitching in the U.S. for four years, the first three with Hubbard Construction in Bishop, Calif., where he set quite a reputation. "I like the people in Aurora," Nicholas said. "Aurora is not just a team, it's an organization and I think that's what makes the team win. The teams in California are just put together, not really built. There's some talent, but there's more tradition in Aurora." Nicholas began

Likes Organization his pitching career in New Zealand at the age of 10, but when someone stole his glove and gear, "I said, 'That's it for me'." He was 15 and took up deer hunting. Nicholas didn't play for five years, then began pitching again when he was 20 years old. "Guys I worked with played," Nicholas said, and finally decided I'd like to start playing again. I still liked the game and watched it during the time I didn't play. He went to Bishop in 1980, but the last two years he pitched there, the team, he said, was not very good. "We couldn't hit the really good pitching," he said. Even though he pitched fairly well in 1982, "Bishop wasn't really molded," Nicholas said. "At Bakersfield, we had about the same sort of team, but I was pitching better my first two years at Bishop...Last year, I wanted to get my consistency down a lot more. But, sometimes you don't feel you're playing enough and sometimes you do. Some games are over a short period of time and then you didn't pitch for two weeks. It won't be that way in Aurora." Nicholas expects to be pitching on a much more regular schedule, which, he believes, will help develop his strength and quickness. "And I'd like to reach a peak and hold it," he said. "I've been pitching for four years in a row all year long, so I'm taking this season (in New Zealand) off. I need the rest and that should help...In Bakersfield, the season started out pretty good, but we went into a slump toward the end of the year," he said. But Bakersfield still won the co-championship of the Northern California Travel loop. They had a spot in the ISC world tournament at home, but finished a disappointing 17th with a 2-2 record.

ASHLAND, OHIO, TEAM COLUMBUS, OHIO (By Paul Seymour) — Our team, Ashland Merchants/ESS, recently had our organizational meeting for the 1984 season and we are proud to announce we have signed Tony Hunhoff of Worcester, Mass., Interstate Battery team. He is a young right-hander, who had a 20-5 record with the Batterymen in 1983. He will be a great addition to our pitching staff and will join with the well-known Jim Doyle, who compiled a 40-10 record with us last year. (It is reported with the loss of Hunhoff, the Batterymen team has folded.) We have also added Third Baseman Jim Messner, who formerly played with Ashland, Ohio, Faultless Rubber in 1982 when that team was runner-up in the ASA men's major nationals. He did not play last year. Our outfield will include Mike Gasser, who led team in batting with a .357 average, and Jeff McFarlin and Mike Zakutry. Our infield will be Matt Arminis at short, Bill Goth at second, Dan Saull at third, and Nick McCurry at first. Our catching will be handled by Jeff Banks and Dino Neptune. Our DH will be Loren Green. We still need another outfielder. We are losing Dick Riley, who will move over to Ashland Faultless Rubber....Also, we will be holding the Rick Fugate memorial tournament June 20-21-22, a 16-team double elimination meet....The veteran Hank Miller will be pitching for Kidron Merchants in '84. He was with Findlay Marlesta last year....Team managers can contact me by writing 68 North Sylvan Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43204, or phone 1-614-279-6934.

Arizona Revival

MANY OLD TEAMS GONE, BUT REPLACED BY SEVERAL NEW

HOPEFUL ORGANIZATIONS; RON JAMES AND DON KELLAND

APPEAR LEADERS; CHUCK SEYMOUR LEAVES DEFUNCT B&D

tournament. Seymour was sensational in the ISC nationals last year, pitching a no-hitter as B&D shutout Scotts Bluff, Neb., 3-0....Mr. James has had teams many years and started all his kids playing the game. Another of the James boys is Lewis, a real good centerfielder. His daughter, Windy, is a good pitcher, too. She pitched her local Alhambra high school team to the championship, giving up only two earned runs in 15 games. (The first time the writer ever saw the "James Gang" perform several years ago was in a tournament in Long Beach, Calif. Daddy James was the catcher and he had three sons in the lineup and daughter Windy was the bat girl. They were a young team but held their own among the major team in the meet.) Other members of the James' 1984 team are Rick Watson (1b), veteran Jerry Kellerhausl (2b), Steve Betz (ss), Mike Strausser (3b) who made second All-American team in ISC World. Outfielders, besides Lewis James, will be Larry Eubanks in left and Bob Ramsey in right and young Jeff Crowley will be a valuable utility player. Joe Bockowitz will catch. And, of course, there is the "old man," Mr. James was a very good left-handed catcher in his prime...

Kelland's Better

Don Kelland team, based in Yuma, Ariz., has had a good club for several years and it seems to get better each campaign and enthusiastic Don is looking for a good '84. Lonnie Brooks seems to be his No. 1 thrower. After a knee operation, he seems to be in great shape. Don has that very effect old veteran Jim Sperry, who keeps himself in excellent shape and despite his age (in his '40's) still is difficult to beat. To back these up Kelland has a hard throwing Kiwi, Greg Patience, who will be heard from this year. The rest of his team will include son Don Kelland at first. Second base is open as yet. Another son, Steve Kelland, at short, and veteran Dennis Christophersen at third. In the outfield Alex Villa will be in left, Steve Roberts in center and Ralph Silva, another veteran, in right and John White will be DH/outfielder. Mark Kelland, another son, has spent two years at West Point Military Academy and may be available part of the summer. "We participated in the Joe Pagan tournament in Hawaii over Thanksgiving and we took only 10 players with veterans Gil Aragon and Jim Sperry as sub pitchers, but we managed to finish third. Magna Playing of Burbank, Calif., won it," Kelland reported. (See Page 27-28 for report on this meet.)...Hank Phyle, the Arizona ISC commissioner, told us,

Another Family Team

"Dave Harris down at Wilcox, Ariz. (near Tucson) has a dandy, young team. That team, known as Freeway Exxon, finished second in our state league last year," So, we contacted Mr. Harris and he said his was a "family" team, too. "My son, Kirk, is our pitcher, and he's real good. Tray Harris is our catcher," senior Harris reported. "And Scott Harris is our first baseman and Hoak Harris plays centerfield. Greg Hodgeson of Tucson is our other pitcher and he's very good when available. We have a very quick double-play combination at second and short," reported Mr. Harris. "Billy Lackey plays short and Eddie Clements at second. They are real 'rabbits' and nothing gets past them," Dave continued. "We have Russ Bethel at third. In left we have Bo Hall, former leading hitter for Grand Canyon college, who was tops in nation for small colleges. Then we have Tony Davis in right and Bobbie Fortner in center." Dave Harris is a veteran pitcher. "We sure like playing in the Arizona State League," said Mr. Harris, "even though it does mean much travel. However, there's not much room for us in Tucson, where we formerly played," Harris said. "Because of the squeeze on playing fields they have a time limit and many times we'd drive the 66 miles to Tucson and then get to play only 55 minutes. That was discouraging."...One of the top teams in Phoenix last year was B&D Supply, but it probably will not operate this year. Their sponsor is very willing, but The Bulletin was told it all depended upon Tony Faranacci, the veteran player and manager. "I'm tired and all worn out," Tony told us. "I'd like (On Page 14)

(From Page 1)less on the sidelines, but this year is coming back strong. He has a new sponsor in Cosvoy Trucks and has signed one of the best pitchers in the state, Chuck Seymour, who, along with his son, Ron James, will give this team the pitching that can take this club a long way, maybe to a national

ARIZONA REVIVAL (From Page 13) to take a rest," he stated. "If I did come back I wouldn't have my star pitcher, Chuck Seymour, who I started pitching and trained. He has joined Cosvoys Trucks."...Then there is the 7th Ave. Auto Parts, which has been in the forefront in Phoenix last few years. "But," Mr. Phyle told us, "Their manager, John Dutton, tells us he's not going to go through the hassle of managing in 1984. But, when the hot weather comes, maybe John will have other ideas."... Then there is the supreme leader of fastpitch, A.C. Williams of Prescott, the ASA Arizona commissioner, who is in contact with more foreign teams and players than any other person that I know. He's going to have his two top quality tournament again this year, the Memorial on May 26-28 and Western Holiday Classic, June 30-July 3, he told The Bulletin. He can be reached at P.O. Box 1850, Prescott, Ariz., 85640 or call 1-602-445-5286 or 445-5725...Herb Wisdom, the veteran former catcher with Long Beach, Calif., Nitehawks, and now of Tumacacori, Ariz., has been advertising in The Bulletin a new world tournament to be staged there Aug. 13-19 for championship teams. Contact Herb Wisdom at 1-602-398-2397...Veteran Stu Zink is expected to have a meeting soon to reorganize the Arizona State Men's League. Also, girls' and women's fastpitch is very popular in Arizona, too, but we have not contacted these leaders as yet.

HURLER PRAISES CHENDALE, ARIZ. (By Chuck Seymour) - I'd like to express my thanks for something he gave me. This man gave me hard work, blisters, torn fingers, callouses, but most of all he gave me love! For years I beat on his shins, broke his fingers, wore out his legs and probably hurt his feelings a thousand times. Through all this he continued to give! His name is Tony Faranacci. Tony is getting out of fastpitch. He has a natural son that needs his special type of love and help in baseball. Good luck, Tony! If you ever decide to get back into fastpitch, call me. One more thing, "dad," I love you! Your "Son" Chuck....To the publishers of The Bulletin: Tony is someone very special to me. It's going to feel funny playing fastpitch without having "Dad" around to yell at me. Four years ago he began teaching me how to pitch and I guess only time will tell if I did a good job or not...I just felt I needed to tell someone. Thanks for lending an ear and happy New Year! (Editor's note: Tony Faranacci, a fine player and manager, ran the B&D Supply team the last few years and trained Chuck who became his star pitcher. Apparently they had great respect for one another.)...Here's my subscription renewal, and am very pleased with its coverage of the game. Thanks for all the info and fastpitch from around the country and the world!

"FARM" WRITER CHIPPEWA FALLS, WIS. (By Steve Larson) - Thought I'd let you know we are still "alive and kicking..." I plan to keep the readers of Bulletin **PLUGS BULLETIN** informed this coming season on the exploits of our team from Madison, Wis. (The Farm). I think we have some changes coming and when we do I'll let you know, and it sounds like something is "brewing."...Another subject is the future of The Bulletin. I, too, cannot believe that anyone who is interested in fastpitch is not a subscriber to The Bulletin! Therefore, it is my goal to get as many subscriptions as I can. I plan on making copies of The Bulletin subscription blank and pass them out to all fastpitch players and fans in my immediate area as well as where we travel during the summer. Hopefully this will help. I challenge all fastpitch players, fans, and Bulletin readers to do the same for the future of The Bulletin and fastpitch softball. We as players and fans cannot afford to let The Bulletin go by the wayside. What do you say? Let's give a little back to the game we love! I think with a little effort from each of us, we can secure the future of The Bulletin and fastpitch as well...I hope this finds all of you in good health. Happy holidays from wonderful wet, wild, cold winter in Wisconsin!...If anyone out there in fastpitchland have any other ideas? Let's hear 'em!

CLASS A HOST LANCASTER, PA. (By Dave Brandt) - Merry Christmas from Lancaster, Pa.! Our team, Hershey Equipment of Millersville, will host the men's Class A regionals (Central Atlantic) in Strasburg, Pa., next August. Strasburg, near Lancaster, has two, well-lighted fields and is ideal for the regionals. Charles (Chub) Kauffman manages the Hershey team and last year compiled a 58-19 record. Please renew my subscription to The Bulletin for another year - first class!



ALL-AMERICANS ATTEND WSC BANQUET - Four distinguished ISC All-Americans who attended the recent Western Softball Congress league banquet are former members of the Long Beach, Calif., Nitehawks, and helped that club in winning 10 ISC titles. They are from left to right, Cleo Goyette (infielder), Jack Randall (pitcher), Irwin "Red" Meairs (catcher), and Clint Herron (infielder). Meairs now owns the Nitehawks. All of the above were outstanding stars and won many awards during their careers in league and tournament play. (Photo by Larry Eads of The Bulletin.)

WSC Banquet

JACK RANDALL, NAMED ISC MOST VALUABLE HURLER

THREE T MES AND NOW PRESIDENT MT. SAN ANTONIO

COLLEGE, FASCINATES AUDIENCE AS GUEST SPEAKER

softball, retired Long Beach Nitehawk, Jack Russell. Randall ended a great career in 1963, after guiding the 'Hawks to five world championships, being named most valuable pitcher three times and notching four no-hitters in world tourney play. During the evening festivities, Randall was seated with three former teammates. All-world Catcher and current Nitehawk Owner "Red" Meairs; three world tourney leading hitter, Cleo Goyette, and all-world Clint Herron. The four of them last played together in 1963, and all retired from fastpitch, last playing for the Nitehawks. Randall is now president of Mt. San Antonio College in southern California....Shaheen kicked off the ceremonies by reading a letter sent by ISC Executive Director Milt Stark (who was out of town on ISC business) congratulating the WSC on its longevity and constant success, citing the fact that the WSC has been in continued existence for 25 years and claiming 14 world championships....Helping Mr. Shaheen with trophy presentations were Tom Morris, owner of 1983 world champion Lancaster Chameleons, and Ken Carroll, owner of Conejo Valley Seahawks. The 1984 league officers were named with no changes from 1983. They are Ned Shaheen, president; Tom Morris, vice president; Ken Carroll, treasurer; Lynn Avery, secretary; Jack Carouso, umpire-in-chief, and Betty Stout, the statistician....The all-league team then was announced, with Lancaster landing five places, Dave Kramer (DH), Alan Rohrbach (of), Eric Maiden (c), Kevin Herlihy and Jim Smith, pitchers. The Camarillo Kings placed two players on the first team, Outfielder Larry Nolan and Second Baseman Chad Corcoran. Also named as an outfielder was Conejo Valley's Warren Pemberton, also named rookie of the year, coming over from the U.S. Navy team, where he was a Class A All-American in 1982. Filling out the all-stars was San Bernardino Third Baseman Harry Munoz, Santa Ana Shortstop Greg Sepulveda and Long Beach (On Page 16)

MONTEREY PARK, CALIF. (By Larry Eads) - The Western Softball Congress, which is the oldest sanctioned ISC travel league in the nation, held its annual banquet Oct. 22 at the Lumanaria's restaurant here. Under the direction of League President Ned Shaheen, the packed banquet room with seating for 192, were fascinated by the guest speaker, one of the greatest pitchers to ever pick up a

WSC BANQUET First Baseman Jerry Hoffman. The stolen base king was Warren Pemberton. Home Run trophy went to Camarillo All-World Outfielder Floyd LaVergne. The RBI award was shared by Hoffman and Maiden. The league leading hitter was Alan Rohrbach at .411. Hoffman also was presented (very deservedly) the sportsmanship award. Manager of the year went to Lancaster's Tom Lauer, as Herlihy and Rohrbach won the MVP pitcher and player awards, respectively. Mr. Shaheen presented the Presidential Award to Ken Carroll, which exemplifies the person who has helped the league in many ways with his dedication and comitment....Music was supplied by a great young singing trio, The Graduates.

WSC TO HAVE ONLY SIX TEAMS IN '84 HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. (By Betty Stout) - The Western Softball Congress is forming this year with just six teams that will be returning. Money and no pitching were cited as the reason one team disbanded and one went to a Class A league. The returning teams are the '83 world champions, Lancaster Chameleons. Led by Pitchers Kevin Herlihy and Jimmy Smith, there will be only a few changes on this team. Manager Tom Lauer and Coach Bill Hardy are looking for a first baseman. Rumor has it that Jerry Hoffman of Long Beach Nitehawks, who played with Chameleons in ISC world, and who stated he was going to retire, may come back to play with Lancaster. Dave Garcia, their sensational outfielder, who was out most of last season with an Achilles tendon problem, says he's ready to return. And Stah Baker, who came in when Bill Jochum became ill, and played second base will continue with Lancaster in '84....The Camarillo Kings will definigely field a team and Larry Nolan and Floyd "Blue" LaVergne will be with them again. Rumors fly every year these two will leave the Kings, but they continue to return. Dick Jaquez, who has coached and managed the team will now own it. Dr. A.DeWayne Jones gave the team to Jaquez this year....The Long Beach Nitehawks are alive and well - rumor again: They have signed Outfielder Steve Capps and Catcher Steve Turgiliatto, both of whom played with Lakewood Jets and Santa Ana Brewers last year. Cargy Weiler, Alan Wishart and Jim Sander will be their pitching staff....The Lakewood Jets are out hunting ball players and some pitching. Darwin Tolzin is reported to have signed with an A team and Chub Tangora is nat sure he will return to the states from New Zealand this year. The Jets' owner, Howie Juarez, always ends up with a good team, and is expected to have another one in 1984....The Santa Ana Brewers are forming and have signed Harry Munoz, Pat Dominguez and Rick Medrano formerly of the San Bernardino Stars. Their Kiwi Pitcher Dave Berridge will be back. He really was hot most of last season. Also Sam Turner and Dan Woods will help with the pitching chores....The San Bernardino Stars released all their players and Manager Joe Baca is rebuilding. Jim Knott should sign again to pitch and Rich Casitas is coming over from the Brewers and will do the ctaching....Ned Shaheen, the WSC president, said the league may be down in size, but it is a very tough league and will produce another world champion again next year....At the league's annual banquet Oct. 22, Dr. Jack Randall, president of Mt. San Antonio College, Los Angeles, was the principal speaker as related above by Larry Eads. But, not many remember that as a 17-year-old he began pitching for the Long Beach Nitehawks, and set many records.. For instance, we was an seven ISC all-tournament teams. Also, he has pitched a perfect game, striking out every batter he faced. His pitched is alleged to have been clocked at 100 miles per hour. In his speech, Dr. Randall said, "Fastpitch softball is still the best game in town." He remembers when 7,000 people watched the Nitehawks play and he urged the league to promote the game more by better newspaper and TV coverage. This event gets better each year, thanks to the efforts of President Ned Shaheen and Vice President Tom Morris.

THEY WRITE: "Now that the holidays are over, it's time to start thinking fastpitch again. I'll see what I can do to help promote subscriptions to The Bulletin in my area and try to get a few articles on northern California tourneys. Please renew my subscription with the enclosed check (and there's a little extra to help," Mitch Rusconi, Santa Cruz, Calif...."Enclosed is check to cover cost of renewing my husband's subscriptipn (Bill Ramirez) (and his Unale Tony's). We all thoroughly enjoy reading The Bulletin and are looking forward to another year's reading about fastpitch softball," Connie Ramirez, Riverside, Calif.

Late News:

PITCHER ROD JARVIS GOES TO ALL-CAR;

SUNNERS ADD TOPFLIGHT YOUNG HURLER;

ADM WILL TRY FOR BOTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

(From Page 1) sociated with The Farm last couple of years. He has always been regarded as a "thinker" on the diamond and well respected by the players. To have a good team, you must have pitching and Jim and Les went out and secured the services of a top-notch hurler in Rod Jarvis, last year with Bank of Pennsylvania Sunners, that great team that has been among the top teams for years because it has the legendary Ty Stofflet as its star hurler. In addition,

All-Car is bringing in two Canadian pitchers, one a well-known veteran and the other a promising rookie. Melville didn't want to reveal their names to The Bulletin as yet. As a basis for his rebuilding program, Melville has returning Bob Steigerwald, first baseman; Pete Joas, second baseman; Mike Van Lanen, shortstop, and Catcher Rick Peshk. "We also have added Dino Amundsen, a catcher from last year's Farm team," Jim told The Bulletin. "With these players I think we have the basis to build a topnotch team," he continued. "We are arranging a dandy schedule that will include tournaments at Decatur and Aurora, Ill., and Cedar Rapids, Iowa, topped off by a 10-day tour through Canada." The team again will appear in the ISC Travel League based in Kimberly, Wis., with the winner guaranteed a berth in the ISC world tournament in Allentown, Pa. The team will operate out of Green Bay this season and plans its own open tournament July 13-14-15 at the ISC diamond in Kimberly. Managers interested may contact Jim Melville at 21205 Mary Lynn Drive, Waukesha, Wis. 53186 or call 1-414-786-4101. He indicated they plan to compete in both ASA and ISC qualifying tournaments, hoping to be the first team to ever win both national championships....Ray Oswald, who aids

Jarvis Replaced

With Young Star

Rocky Santilli direct the Bank of Pennsylvania Sunners, which has been national champion in the ASA several times and one of the better teams in the country for years, tells The Bulletin that "the Sunners are really looking forward to 1984, after their fourth place finish in the ASA nationals last year at Decatur, Ill. Our schedule

is just about complete, including the ISC World Tournament in Allentown, Pa., Aug. 10-19," Oswald said. This will be the first time the Sunners will have competed in the ISC's national tournament, confining their efforts to the ASA nationals in the past. No team has ever won both the ISC and ASA nationals in the same year. "So far there are few player changes on the 1984 Sunner team. (He did not mention that Pitcher Rod Jarvis had left and joined the Wisconsin team as mentioned above.) "One of our new acquisitions is Nelson Walker," Oswald stated. "He pitched last year for Linden, N.J., and we think he is one of the top five pitchers under 25 years of age in the country!" Oswald exclaimed. "I will write later this month with schedule and full roster after our Jan. 15 meeting," Oswald continued. "As for me, it's going to be a big and busy spring. I was just appointed head women's coach at Franklin and Marshall college!" (He did not indicate if he was to resign as Santilli's assistant with the Sunners.) He concluded: "Enclosed find check for 1984 subscription and Happy New Year!".....

ADM to Go for Both

ASA and ISC Titles

"Our ADM (Decatur, Ill.) schedule is practically completed for '84 season," writes Jim Nicol, former great pitcher, who serves as the team's scheduling manager, "And I am sending you a rough draft. You will notice the ADM management will seek to win both the ISC and ASA national tourneys and be the first team ever to

do that." ADM is going to host the ISC state tournament July 12-15 at its Borg-Warner field in Decatur. Assuming they qualify, Nicols has set aside Aug. 10-19 to compete in ISC nationals at Allentown, Pa. Because they finished in second place in last year's ASA nationals held at Decatur, they get an automatic bid to the ASA nationals in St. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 7-15. Nicol has scheduled a 7-team round robin tournament for his team over the Memorial Day holidays, May 25-26-27, that will include Bloomington, Ill., Hearts, Denham Springs, La., St. Louis Budweiser, Ashland, Ohio, Merchants, Indianapolis, Ind, and Green Bay, Wis., All-Car. He's arranged another 8-team tournament at home over July 4 holidays. This will include Mankato, Minn., Jefferson City, Mo., Cedar Rapids, Iowans, Madison Farm, Odessa, Texas, St. Joseph, Mo., Walnut/Woods, Bloomington, Ill., Budweiser with its new pitcher Graham Arnold, as well as ADM....A feature of the schedule will be the appearance at Decatur of the ASA de- (On Page 18)

LATE NEWS (From Page 17) fending champion Franklin Cardinals of New Haven, Conn., on June 15 and 16. A week later the Bank of Pennsylvania Sunners from Reading, Pa., with the great Ty Stofflet will appear at Decatur June 22 and 23. ADM has one 10-day tour that will take them to Madison, Wis. (The Farm), St. Paul, Minn. (All-American Bar), Mankato, Minn. (Happy Chef), Cedar Rapids, Iowa (The Iowans) and New Haven, Conn. (Franklin Cardinals), meeting some of the best teams in the country. On Aug. 3-4-5 they will be at Bloomington, Ill., where the Hearts will host the annual Tri-I tourney made up of ADM, Aurora Home and Hearts plus three other teams at the selection of the Hearts. "As of Jan. 1, there has been little activity with team personnel," Nicol tells The Bulletin. "But, I'll keep your readers posted," Jim concluded.

TIM REYNOLDS (From Page 1) us that the malignancy has been completely removed and now battling against serious side effects caused by eight weeks of cobalt, Chemotherapy and radium treatments. We all are optimistic that Tim will be playing ball again by early spring through not only the doctors' tremendous treatments and care, but through Timmy's unbelievable determination and spirit." Although handicapped in 1983 because of treatments and operations, Reynolds was the mainstay of the Walnut/Woods pitching staff and helped the team to a respectable finish. In 1981, when the ASA men's major nationals was held here, Reynolds pitched the local host team to a sensational fourth place finish, that had the local fans in a frenzy of excitement to the very end and broke all attendance records up to that time for ASA nationals. As a result Reynolds was named on the All-American team of the meet. The tournament is to be staged here again this year, Sept. 7-15, and Reynolds is hoping to lead the Walnut/Woods to the title this time.... "In December," Christgen continues in his message to The Bulletin, "we held a raffle here in St. Joseph to raise funds for the Reynolds family. As you probably know, Tim is a teacher for one of the high schools and by early November all of his sick leave had been used up and consequently had no salary coming in. To compound their problems even more his wife, Wnda, had a fairly serious knee operation in mid-December and has been off work several weeks. In our raffle we had hoped to sell at least \$1,000 worth of tickets to provide Tim and Wnda some money for Christmas and other mounting expenses. I am more than elated to report that in 10 days in selling tickets, we brought in something over \$8,000! This furthers my belief that nearly all people are really super if they know they are needed and this definitely was the case with St. Joseph folks in general and various fastpitch teams in the area. As Timmy's condition continues to improve I will let your readers know," Mr. Christgen concluded. Anyone wishing to aid this worthwhile cause, can contact Edwin Christgen at 2801 Walnut Drive, St. Joseph, Mo. 64503.... Another well-known St. Joseph player and a great helper of The Bulletin in that area, John Younger, is trying to do his part, too. He has set up a Tim Reynolds Hospital Fund. "Anyone wishing to contribute can send their donations to me and I will forward same to Tim Reynolds and his family," Younger writes The Bulletin. Checks and money orders should be made out to the Tim Reynolds Hospital Fund and sent to John Younger, 2407 Dewey St., St. Joseph, Mo. 64505. His phone number is 1-816-233-3809. Christgen's number is 1-816-279-8020.

CHANGE DATE WITH ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (By Bob Day) - Albuquerque Classic men's open) will be held June 15-16-17, one week later than usual as we swapped

COLORADO SPRINGS dates with Colorado Springs (Pikes Peak), who had a conflict with the Olympic Village facilities. For some of you this would make a great vacation and fastpitch combination as you could plan a trip through some of best scenic mountains and fishing country of Colorado and New Mexico. We will help with maps and info if you consider this. All games of this meet will be played at USS Bullhead Park, 4-field complex where the 1982 ASA men's class A nationals were held. Format is 6-team round robin divisions with all teams playing five games - one Friday night, three Saturday and one Sunday morning. The division winners then playoff early Sunday afternoon and still get an early start home. This is an ASA sanctioned tournament and travel permits are required. The fee is \$150. Jim Meyers is tournament director and Bob Day is field coordinator. Umpires are ASA trained and professional in ability. Hotel headquarters will be Roi Grande Inn and reasonable rates have been arranged. For information write Bob Day, 1621 Eubank N.E., Albuquerque, N.M. 87112 or call 1-505-292-2264. If you're looking for a great tournament, try this one!

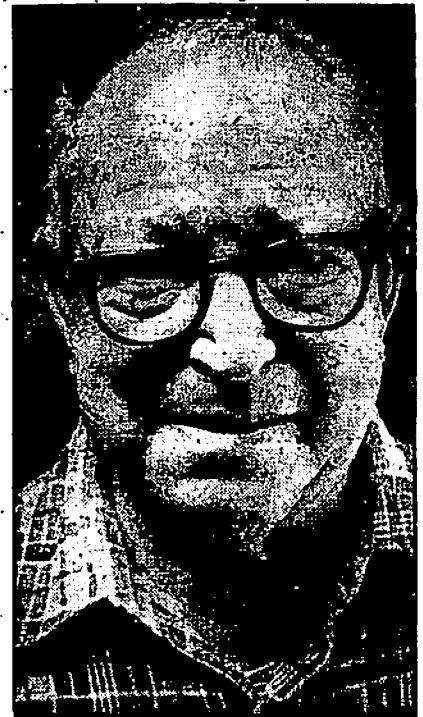
Softball way of life for Floyd

COVELL, ILL. (By Jim Benson of Bloomington Pantagraph) Art Floyd may have never played on a softball team in his 83 years of life, but there are few people who have served the sport so well. Last month when most people were busy sending out Christmas cards and other yuletide greetings, Floyd and his wife, Lottie, were preparing to mail out forms to various Illinois Amateur Softball Association officials across the state. It's been that way for Floyd ever since he stopped at Bloomington, Ill., O'Neil Park in 1948 to watch a softball game. "I went to O'Neil Park to watch a game on a Saturday night and after I parked the car, someone came up to me and said they need you to announce the game," said Floyd in his home in rural Bloomington. "I kept a little score in the doghouse they had in those days behind the screen and gave my account of the game. Afterward they asked me to come back." He has been coming back now going on 35 years and he hasn't slowed up one bit — witness the fact that last summer there were only two nights he didn't "call" a game since there were no games those nights. During his career, Floyd estimates that he has announced more than 10,000 games, including 400 last summer. He doesn't show any discrimination either — men, women, fastpitch, slowpitch, church league and youth leagues all get the same treatment. Floyd has also been involved with the Illinois ASA since 1952 and currently holds the title of senior vice president....His house is full of awards and other mementos of appreciation for his years of service. Recently, Floyd was awarded a certificate of merit for outstanding contribution to softball by the National Softball Media Association. Only four awards were given nationally to softball people not directly involved in the media....Floyd credits his involvement in softball to his days as a semi-pro baseball player for Bloomington's Costello and O'Malley's team in the 1920's. In his many scrapbooks is the game Floyd rapped out three doubles to help his team to a 4-1 victory. There is a small chain with a baseball around it for winning the Pantagraph tournament. "Brick" Fred Young came up to me before the game was (On Page 20)

AN OLD SOFTIE: Art Floyd got involved in softball purely by accident in 1948 when he was asked to be field announcer. At 82, Floyd is still involved, purely out of love for the game.

Floyd, of Covell, Ill., is chairman of the board and assistant to the commissioner of the Illinois Amateur Softball Association. He oversees nine softball tournaments in the state.

"I'm always one to keep busy," Floyd said. "I don't want to sit around feeling sorry for myself I like to keep going."



ARTHUR O. FLOYD
83 and still going strong

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Softball group honors Floyd

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — Long-time O'Neil Park field announcer Arthur O. Floyd was recently awarded a certificate of merit for "outstanding contribution to softball" by the National Softball Media Association.

According to William Plummer III, communications coordinator of the Amateur Softball Association, the award was one of only four given nationally this year to softball people not directly involved in the media.

Floyd, the 82-year-old Covell resident who began announcing part-time at O'Neil Park in 1948, estimated that he did over 400 games this year and has done more than 10,000 games in his 34-year career.

Besides his duties as head announcer at O'Neil Park last year,

Floyd also announced six Illinois Amateur Softball Association state tournaments. The most memorable of those was the rain-plagued Men's Slow Pitch State Tournament in Kankakee that finished at 6 a.m. on a Monday morning.

True to his dedication, Floyd was at O'Neil Park at 5 p.m. that evening ready to do four games of women's slow pitch.

Floyd was one of three field announcers selected to do the Men's ASA National Tournament in Decatur in 1980 and will be the chief announcer for the Men's ASA Class A National Tournament at O'Neil Park next September.

He also serves as Senior Vice-President of the Illinois ASA and was inducted into its Hall of Fame in 1972.

ARTHUR FLOYD (Continued from Page 19) over and said, "Art, yiu might as well take it now, you've got it won!" Floyd recalls....There was no "ball" for Floyd as he calls it from 1930-47. "I left for my work for the insurance cpmpany on Monday morning and didn't get back until Friday night," he recalled. But Floyd returned to the sports scene in late '40's, organizing a township team for the Farm Bureau League and setting the g round for the old Mackinaw Valley League in 1950....A heart attack in 1949 may have slowed Floyd's business for the Industrial Casualty Insurance company, but not for softball. In 1952, Floyd's team was supposed to have qualified for the Illinois ASA state tournament, but the team's fee was not forwarded by the representative at Normal. This led to Floyd's long-term relationship with the ASA. "I headed down to Springfield to see Bus Hogan, the state commissioner at that time and asked what was going on," Floyd said. "He didn't know what to do since the tournament was all over. He said we needed someone to take over here and said we'll give you the job. That's how I started to organize my territory I was given. I built it up from nothing to quite a few teams."...Floyd's been an ASA state vice president since 1954 and has announced at several state and national tournaments in addition to nightly duty at O'Neil Park, Bloomington. This past summer was just as hectic for Floyd, who turned 83 last October. He was chief announcer at the ASA men's Class A national tournament at O'Neil Park and also assisted with the men's ASA major tournament at Decatur immediately afterwards. As always, Floyd directed the fans to the refreshment stands because, in his own famous words, "What's a ball game without something to eat and something to drink." And what's a softball game without Arthur Owen Floyd?...

Chairman Mr. Floyd is senior vice president of the Illinois ASA and serves as chair-
Of Board man of the board under well known Illinois Commissioner Chuck McCord (Who is the leading candidate for national ASA president as this edition goes to press). During the season he oversees nine of McCord's many state and regional tournaments. The day before a state tournament you can find Art in his hotel room looking over a huge stack of papers. "I have the rosters, schedules, lineup cards, statistics - everything right here," he says pointing to an overflowing orange folder and bulging brown binder. "This is my bible," Floyd said. "We pick the all-star teams from this. We update the schedules with this. We check all the rosters to make sure teams aren't trying to slip in any extra players - we don't want any of that happening at a state tournament." This wealth of information also helps Art when he sits down behind the microphone - he is well qualified and knows all the necessary facts about players and teams, which makes him such a popular PA announcer.... But all this is not easy, as Floyd is on the road 36 days from July 12 through Aug.30. While he bounces around the state - he has put 30,000 miles on his new car in only 15 months - his wife, Lotie, takes a vacation. "While I'm doing this, she's in California visiting relatives," Art says, laughing. "She comes home Aug. 30 when I come home. With a situation like this I can work as much as possible. I don't know how many hours I put in - it's a year-round job," he says. "My boss (Commissioner McCord) says I know more about softball than anyone in the state."...In a letter to The Bulletin recently, Mr. Floyd said he worked seven state and two national tournaments this past season. "Already, I am schedu'ed to help with five state and maybe a regional tournament this coming season. (Editor's note: We ran into Mr. Floyd only once back in 1974 and that was at Maroa, Ill., where he was the scorer and PA annluncer and doing his usual competent job. The tournament manager was his old side-kick, Jim Nicol of Decatur, who nowis the scheduling manager for Decatur ADM, one of the best teams in the country. Nicol has a illustrious background, too, once one of best pitchers in Illinois.)

THEY WRITE: "Our team plays mostly in northwest Illinois, southern Wisconsin and eastern Iowa about 70-90 games per year. Because we come from a rural area in northwest Illinois we find it difficult to get sufficient funds to travel very far from home. But if any teams wants to book us, write Rich Buckley, Box 216, Thomson, Ill. 61285,"..."Please renew my subscription to one of best softball news sources, The Bulletin. Our team had a very productive year in '83 and think we'll be better this year. We play all the teams in southern California," Robert G anados, El Monte, Calif. ...Please renew my subscription for 1984. It's a great informative magazine. Thanks for your work," Michael M. Dodd, Blaine, Wash.

Objects!

YAKIMA, WASH. (By Terry Meyer) -- Morrison-Knudsen/Lumbermen's of Olympia won the Washington men's ASA Class A state title here Aug. 12-13-14, defeating

MORRISON-KNUDSEN/LUMBERMEN, OLYMPIA, WINS.

WASHINGTON MEN'S "A" TITLE; CORRESPONDENT

COMPLAINS ABOUT ALL-STAR SELECTION SYSTEM

Lumbermen's/M.K. placed only two. Third place Lynden Merchants placed one. The selections were based on the "famous" Yakima point system, which is based three points for a RBI, one point for a run, one point for a home run, etc. A grand slam home run gets

you 11 points. It makes no difference whether you already are ahead 9-0, or behind 3-0, and the grand slam won you the ball game. The more games you play, the more points you accumulate. Based on this system, a team which loses its first game (Wagner Roofing) has much more opportunity to gain points, than a team which goes through a tournament undefeated (Lumbermen's/M.K.). Basically, you get penalized for winning. I believe this is a grave misjustice on the way a real all-tournament selection should be made. I would appreciate any comments. Please write me, Terry Meyer, 2306 S. Capitol Way, Olympia, Wash. 98501 or call 1-206-943-5079 or 753-8380. This system has been in effect here since 1974 and has caused many problems and controversies. Jim Williamson as Yakima's softball association president. I asked him if he was going to cover this tournament for The Bulletin. He said no, so I did it....Now, a chronological report of the tournament: Game #1: Jollies of Vancouver, 5; Riverside Timber (Everett) 4 (8 innings):

ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM:

c Tom Root (Wagner)
1b Mark Burroughs (Jollies)
2b Bryan Powell (Wagner)
3b Mike Sutton (Wagner)
ss Tim Speer (Wagner)
ut Marty Mayberry (Lynden)
ut Ron Tait (Gaber)
of Mike Maxin (Lumb./M.K.)
of Dan Duffy (Graber)
of Rick Richardson (Wagner)
of Howard Hall (Wagner)
p Doug Sutton (Wagner)
MVP pitcher: Greg Fallon
(Lumb./M.K.) 4-0, 2.07 ERA
MVP player: Mike Moore
(Wagner).407, 13 RBI, 7 HR

Ken Hippach hit 2-run single in 8th to win it. Mark Burrough went 3/3, Dan Turner 2/4 while Riverside's Art Nixon was 2/4 and triple. #2: Vic's (Wenatchee) 8, Graber Insurance (Everett) 2. Marty Spaeth's 3-run homer in first was enough to win. Kent Gerber hit 2-run homer, while Dan Duffy 3/4 for Gaber. #3: Merchants (Lynden) 9, Sharkey's Tavern (Everett) 2. Mike Lewis 3/4 and homer and Marty Mayberry 3/4 for Lynden. #4: Everson Merchants (Bellingham) 11, Doc's/Gine's (Wenatchee) 0. Rich Hendrickson tossed 3-hitter and Bruce Beard and Neal Kamphouse hit homers. #5: Retreats (Brenerton) 2, Wagner Roofing (Yakima) 1. Catcher Tom Root put Wagner ahead 1-0 on homer in top of seventh, but Retreat scored in bottom two runs to win. The Big blow was double by Jim Spencer. #6: Evergreen-Olympic/Lemon's (Olympia) 5, Downtown Paint (Longview) 4. Bob Jesson was 3/4 with 3-run homer for Downtown in losing cause. A game-winning single by Al Stantz in bottom of seventh won it. #7: Budweiser (Port Angeles) 7, Betti Industries (Olympia) 0. Forfeit. Betti lost a player (throwing bat), had only eight players left. #8: Seven Sisters (Mt. Vernon) 5, K&L Logging (Bellingham) 4 (8 innings). Lefty Dave MacNiel tossed nifty 3-hitter, retiring last 11. Teammate Jerry Thomas was 2/3, 2-run homer and 4 RBIs. #9: Jollies 9, Manke Lumber (Shelton) 4. Jim Jollie went 3/4 with H.R. and 3 RBIs. Mark Burroughs 2/4, H.R. and 3 RBIs. #10: Morrison-Knudsen/Lumbermen's (Olympia) 5, Vic's, 4. Dave Leight had RBI double to win. Greg Fallon winner. #11: Lynden Merchants 11, Vancouver Merchants 1. Defending state champs Lynden scored five in second, enough to win. Chuck and Jeff Price both 2/3. Chuck had 2 RBIs. #12: Jones & Jones (Wenatchee) 3, Everson, 2. (8 innings). Rod Cobb tossed 5-hitter, while Everson's Rich Hendrickson threw 4-hitter in losing. Greg Duncan walked with bases loaded in bottom of eighth for win. #13: Retreats, 11, Shuksan Frozen Foods (Bellingham) 7. Shuksan had eight errors. Jeff Spencer was 2/3 and Mike Mollison had 2-run triple for Retreats. Jeff DeGraaf hit solo homer in loss. #14: Downtown Paint 11, Sharkey's 1. Steve Shumway tossed 2-hitter and Les Goeman was 2/3 and Ernie Schaffran, 2/3 for winners. #15: Doc's 8, Manke Lumber 0. Doc's led by grand slam homer by Mark Neel who had 2/4 and 5 RBIs. #16: Wagner Roofing 7, Betti Indus--(On Page 22)

OBJECTS! (From Page 21) tries 1. Tim Speer hit 2-run H.R., which was all Scott Wagner needed as he threw 3-hitter in Wahger win. #17: Everson Merchants 9, Riverside Timber 1. Neal Kamphouse pitched 4-hitter and hit H.R. Teammate Kelly Heutink 2/3 with 2 H.R. and Bud Weidkamp hit solo H.R. #18: Graber Insurance 1, K&L Logging 0. Lee Canary and Dave Groves each had 3-hitters. Rich Myer hit RBI single to win if for Garber and Canary was winner. #19: Downtown Paint 6, Doc's 5. Downtown's Bob Jessen went 3/4 and 3 RBIs. Teammate Bob Koenig hit H.R. to win for Pitcher Dave Taylor. #20: Wagner Roofing 3, Vic's 0. Wagner continued trip through losers' bracket behind 1-hit pitching of Doug Sutton. Tim Speer hit 2-run homer. #21: Vancouver Merchants 7, Everson Merchants 0 (Forfeit). Everson used ineligible player (he played in Class B district), automatic forfeit. #22: Graber Insurance 9, Shuksan 0. Bill Acklus tossed 3-hitter, striking out 14. Jim Leechner 2/4 and 1 RBI. #23: Jollies 3, E.O.R. Lemons 0. Fifty-four-year-old Warren Dunn tossed a nifty 4-hitter. Dan Meyer hit solo H.R. for Jollies, all that was needed. #24: Lumbermen's/M.K. 3, Budweiser 2. Duncan Sinclair hit 2-run double, while Teammate Rick Meyer hit RBI single for win. Howard Sommer was winner. #25: Lynden Merchants 6, Jones & Hones 5 (9 Innings). Marty Mayberry hit RBI single in bottom of ninth for win. He was 3/5, 2 RBI. Terry Dekoster 2/3, 2 RBI. #26: Seven Sisters 3, Retreats 1. Veteran Rudy Toth tossed 2-hitter for Seven Sisters, while Teammate Ed Eliason 2/2. 2 RBI. Frank Bjornson 2/4, 1 RBI. #27: Graber 3, E.O.R./Lemon's 2. (8 innings). Graber's Dave Duffy's single in bottom of eighth won it. Mark Sigl went 3/3 and 1 RBI for Garbers. #28: Budweiser 20, Vancouver Merchants 0. Bud's Tim Lusk was 4/5 and 2 RBIs. Bill Tideman 2/3 with 4 RBIs. Scott Brodhun 3-run double, Bob Botero was 4/4, 3 RBI, all for Bud who made 15 hits. #29: Wagner Roofing 6, Jones & Jones 1. Mike Sutton pitched the win and hit 2-run H.R. Tim Speer was 2/2. Mike Moore hit 2-run H.R. for Wagner. #30: Downtown Paint 9, Retreats 8. Home runs by Retreats' John Scheer and Jack Watson was not enough as Downtown scored six in bottom of sixth to win. Les Goeman 3/3 and Bob Jesson's 3-run homer in sixth keyed win. #31: Lumbermen 6, Jollies 6. Lumbermen insured regional berth with win. Mike Maxin hit two homers including a grand slam and 6 RBIs. Jay Kammer 3/4 and two triples for losers. #32: Lynden Merchants 5, Seven Sisters 4 (8 innings). Lynden became other team to qualify for regionals with win. Marty Mayberry singled in eighth and scored on Terry DeKoster's double for win. #33: Wagner Roofing 7, Downtown Paint 1. It was Wagner's fourth win on Saturday. Doug Sutton tossed 2-hitter and teammates collected 12 hits. Mike Moore hit two homers and Bryan Powell and Howard Hull hit solos. #34: Graber Insurance 5, Budweiser 3. Grabers Dan Duffy went 3/3. Teammate Ron Tait was 2/3 with 1 RBI in win over Bud. #35: Wagner Roofing 6, Jollies 3. Wagner won their fifth straight after opening game loss. Mike Moore hit 3-run homer in first. Dave Jollie was 2/3 for losers. #36: Garber Insurance 12, Seven Sisters 1. Lee Canary tossed a 2-hitter and was 3/3 with 4 RBIs. Graber's Ron Tait hit solo home run. Teammate Mark Sigl was 4/4. #37: Lumbermen's/M.K. 6, Lynden Merchants 5 (8 innings). This matched the two unbeaten teams. Mike Maxin's RBI single in eighth won it for Lumbermen's/M.K. Maxin was 3/4 and 3 RBIs. Rick Meyer 3/5 and 1 RBI. Lynden had Dick VanBeck 4/5 and Terry DeKoster had 2-run homer. #38: Wagner 8, Graber 0. Mike Sutton tossed the shutout on a 4-hitter. Wagner had home runs from Rick Richardson, Mike Moore, Bryan Powell, Ron Gregson and Dan Murphy to account for all their runs. #39: Wagner Roofing 9, Lynden Merchants 2. The

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME				R	H	E
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Lumbermen's/M.K.	001	020	x	- 3	6	0

defending state champions (Lynden) was eliminated and finished third this year. Mike Moore hit solo H.R. for winners. Dan Murphy 3/3, Ron Gregson 2/3. #40: First championship game. Wagners 11, Lumbermen's/m.k. 0. Wagner won eighth in row. Doug Sutton pitched 2-hitter. Brother Mike Sutton led 13-hit attack with homer and double. #41: (Championship). Lumbermen's/M.K. 3, Wagner's Roofing 2. After winning eight in a row, each won very decievly, it looked like Wagner would win title. With score tied 1-1, Tim Speere hit solo home run giving Wagner's 2-1 lead. In fifth with two out, Steve Fuller walked, Rick Meyer singled. Mike Maxin then stepped to the plate and delivered a 2-run double for the victory. Most Valuable Pitcher Greg Fallon tossed a 7-hitter for the win. Fallon ended the tournament with a 4-0 record and a 2.07 ERA. Mike Moore of Wagners was declared the MVP player. He hit .407 in the tournament with 13 runs batted in and had seven home runs. -- Terry Meyer.

NEVADANNES (From page 31) a lot of people, who were rewarded with 12 players being named to the all-tourney team. They were: Bobby Madrid, Macy's Tigers; Kevin Nagles, A&P; Bob Sickles, A&P; Barry Roberts, L.V. Raiders; Paul Turner, L.V. Raiders; Billy Willingham, L.V. Raiders; Ron Clifton, L.V. Raiders; Ken Mitchell, Nellis AFB; Marv Mitchell, Nellis AFB; Mike Moya, Nellis AFB; Stan Berreras, Nellis AFB, and Terry Laurent, Nellis AFB.... Most valuable pitcher honors

ORDER OF FINISH:	W	L	
Nellis AFB.....	5	0	went to Ken Morrell of Nellis AFB with a very fine 4-0 record. Most valuable player award was presented to Bob Richards of A&P Plumbing, who had a 3-0 pitching record and maintained an above .400 batting average.... It was a good tournament and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. In closing, I would like to say we all appreciate what Ray Anderson and his wife do to help fastpitch with the Fastpitch Softball News Bulletin and hope that you will carry on for the good of the game - Frie in fastpitch, Bubba Luke.
Las Vegas Raiders....	4	1	
A&P Plumbers.....	3	2	
Macy's Tigers.....	3	2	
Lowry AFB.....	2	1	
Centurians.....	2	1	
Yerrington.....	2	1	
Wait 'n' Room.....	2	1	
Veta Grande.....	1	2	
Cannon AFB.....	1	2	
Peterson AFB.....	1	2	
Hill AFB.....	1	2	
Genes Dist.....	1	2	
El Toroo MAS.....	0	3	
Beal AFB.....	0	3	
Fly Ash.....	0	3	

ROY STOUT NALED ALHAMBRA, CALIF. (By Betty Stout) - The Southern California Softball Association A League met recently to organize for 1984 and elected officers as follows: Roy Stout, president; Vince Garcia, vice president; and Mitch Cannon, new secretary-treasurer. Returning teams include Culver City Graders, managed by Vince Garcia; the Devastators from East Los Angeles, led by Greeko Fregozo; Los Angeles Eagles, headed by Tom McLaughlin, who replaces Bob Rozzi, who is new deputy ASA commissioner in charge of fastpitch in southern California; the Compton Phillies, who won the league last year, headed by Manager Fred Quinn; the Bold Bulls from Inglewood, managed by Otis Maynard, and Southern California Dons, managed by Willie and Jimmy Farfan. Two new teams have been added that will add prestige to the league. These are Louder Electric from Bakersfieldm Calif, who finished third in the A nationals in 1982, led by Les Bazemore. Another Bakersfield team that is to be added is Bakersfield Hudson Supply, owned by Jim Boone. The team from the Western Softball Congress that is being added is the Conejo Valley Seahawks, headed by Ken Carroll. He says they are dropping out of the WSC because of costs and will play A ball this year. Their pitchers will be Felise Tupuola and Darwin Tolzin. Tupoula was most valuable pitcher in 1982 Class A nationals. Tolzin has been a star pitcher in major fast pitch for many years, winning All-American honors in 1976, pitching for All-American Bar of Minneapolis, Minn., when he helped that team with the ISC world tourney.... The Graders have two fine players in Tony Coppin (ss) and Mitch Cannon (2b). Norm Collins will help McLaughlin run the Eagles. Manager Fred Quinn of the champion Phillies says his team will be just as strong this year. The Bold Bulls have as pitcher John Herderson, who was a well known hurler in the WSC for years. The two Bakersfield teams and the WSC club will give Stout's league much more respect and this could well be the best Class A league in southern California. This title was claimed last year by the Pacific Coast League, which operates in the Long Beach area. However, Chuck Vranich says his Inland Valley league teams will challenge any of the teams in both loops.

TEAMS ENTER JEFFERSON CITY, MO. (By Dave Whittier) - Entries are being accepted for both men and women teams in the Capital City Classic tournaments here June 9-10. Teams that have entered the men's division include Marshfield Mills, Missiuri Horbell of Springfield, Moberly an the Juic of Berger, Mo. Entry fee is \$110, and each team is guaranteed five games. Women teams entered include Perennial Missouri power Hamilton, Mo.; Bears; Rosettes of Kansas City; Jim Rafflers Hair Center of Springfield, Mo. and Citton Transportation of Jefferson City. Entry fee is \$85. Interested parties should contact Stan Ochsner, superintendent of recreation, 320 E. McCarty St., Jefferson City, Mo. 65101 or Dave Whittier, 908A Broadway, Jefferson City, Mo. 65101.

THEY WRITE: "Keep up the good work. We all appreciate more than you know the efforts you and Ann put forth on behalf of fastpitch softball with The Bulletin," Ken Hackmeister, Bountiful, Utah.

Nevada News

ASA CLASSIFIES BARRY ROBERTS "A" PITCHER;

PUSH SUNRISE CEDARS TOURNAMENT APRIL 7-8;

NELLIS AFB WINS TOURNEY, BOB RICHARDS MVP

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA (By Bubba Luke) — The new year presents some changes in Nevada fastpitch. At our state ASA meeting, the veteran Barry Roberts, was unanimously classified as an "A" pitcher. With this action that leaves the whole state without a bonafide major open pitcher. As for the Las Vegas Aces at this time, I'm not sure who they will have returning, several

of their veteran players have indicated they are going to take a year off. They leave a big void and will be missed. Coach John Lilly of Superior Wash Raiders has been approached to assume duties as field boss with Don Benton remaining as general manager....Our City League will probably remain the same, about six teams. We are uncertain about our defending state "A" champs, Nellis AFB. They lost their very fine pitcher Ken Morrell, who was shipped out to Florida. He was a tireless worker for the game. When leaving he promised to take a team from Florida to the ISC world meet in Pennsylvania. If anyone can do it he can....Our Class A state will be hosted by Reno Aug. 4-5 with the regionals in Phoenix, Aug. 17-18-19. Hopefully the winner will be from Las Vegas and then on to nationals in Fargo, N.D....There also is talk that Ray "Hog Body" Perry and Larry Ray will also be back in Vegas this year. If this is true then our local team should prove formidable for any team they play....We are really promoting the Sunrise Cedars round robin Class A tourney here April 7-8.

Pushing This, their third year of sponsorship and it should be their best. It will be restricted to A/B teams only, with each team guaranteed three games and Tourney four if we get the full 20 teams. The winning team will receive a set of 12 uniforms and a very fine sponsors trophy. There will be sponsors trophies

for first four teams along with MVP pitcher and player awards. As usual, the Sunrise Cedars will host a dance and provide some good old draft beer for participants. Write Bubba Luke, 2627 S. Lamb, #207, Las Vegas, Nev. 89121 or call 1-702-457-2643....I hope all my friends enjoyed a happy holiday season and wish for all a prosperous new year. Also, please say hello to Terry Thompson, who provides the Bulletin with APO news from Europe. He played on my "A" team that went to the '79 nationals....Also, the Memorial Day tournament hosted here last year was never reported in The Bulletin, so I am presenting herewith a brief resume: There were 16 teams divided into four divisions, four teams each. Each team played three games in their respective divisions with the winner advancing to championship round. The four advancing teams were A&P Plumbing, Lakewood, Calif., Macy's Tigers, Lakewood, Calif., Las Vegas Raiders, and Nellis AFB of Las Vegas. A coin flip determined who would play who in semi-finals. Play

Nellis AFB began with L.V. Raiders vs. A&P Plumbing and Nellis AFB playing Macy's Tigers. In a hard-hitting contest the Raiders, behind Barry Roberts, finally subdued A&P by a score of 8-3. In the other semi, Nellis seemed

Undeafated to be rolling with a 4-0 lead over the Tigers behind the outstanding pitching of Ken Morrell and defensive play of Dave King, Stan Barreras, Mike

Moya and Terry Laurent. However, with Morrell trying to save a little for the Raiders, he took himself out of the game in the sixth only to see the Tigers jump on his relief for three runs. With runners on second and third, Morrell re-entered the game to put the fire out and preserve the victory for Nellis by a 4-3 score....With this hard-earned victory under their belts, the Airmen were more than ready to take on their old friends the Raiders and Barry Roberts. The first four innings saw outstanding pitching by both Morrell and Roberts. The fifth inning saw Nellis string together three hits, two stolen bases and a sacrifice fly to go up 3-0 on the Raiders. The Raiders, however, were not to be denied, coming right back in the sixth and scoring two runs to close the gap to 3-2. The bottom of the sixth saw the Thunderbirds push across an insurance run, which was dearly needed to preserve this well deserved victory as the Raiders came right back with a final run to make it 4-3. This is where T-Birds and Ken Morrell bowed their heads and with runners on second and third Morrell struck out the last batter to win the championship. A&P Plumbers and Macy's Tigers hooked up in a real marathon in the consolation bracket with A&P finally pulling it out, 8-7, for third place....The tourney was high-lighted with some outstanding play by (On Page 32)

'83 REVIEW (From Page 29) of John Charles and Rick Ferry did a great job. These two young hurlers should be heard from for a long time to come. Tommy'd received great pitching from veteran Diz Neitzel and another veteran Ray Keller at his tender young age of 53 (Madison Hall of Famer). Tournament records: Tommy's, 5-1; Merry-O, 5-2; Wausau Marksmen, 6-2; All-Car, Antigo, 5-2. Although Rhinelanders population is only 8,000, large crowds turn out there for this tournament, but if only they had some grass in the outfield....**WISCONSIN ISC STATE:** Here's a report on the 1983 ISC Wisconsin tournament held at Denmark, Wis. It was a two weekend event with 26 teams participating. You certainly can have your cake and eat it, too. This was proven by John Charles and Rich Ferry of Merry-O Bar of Green Bay. They pitched and hit their team, their first year in operation to the '83 ISC world tourney at Bakersfield, Calif., where they finished in a tie for 25th place with a 1-2 record. Merry-O came through the losers' bracket to defeat Wausau Marksmen twice, 2-0, and 8-5. John

Charles allowed only three hits in first game with Mike Williquette's 2-run homer all John needed. Merry-O scored five runs in first inning of second game to put things away. Charles threw first three and Rich Ferry came in third to sew up the victory. Tom Raimer, loser of both games, did a great job in tourney. Merry-O won four games the final day. Earlier they beat Box Office of Green Bay, 4-1, with Charles getting a 3-hitter and a home run. Then they beat All-Car Automotive of Antigo, 8-7, on Rich Ferry's grand slam and 4-hit pitching performance. This was the first time in 10 games they beat All-Car this year. Box Office Bar of Green Bay beat Chief Auto Parts of Madison, 1-0, for fourth place. Ev Reimer had a no-hitter and his sacrifice fly was game for Box Office. Rich Ferry and John Charles of Merry-O shared MVP honors. Ferry, 4-0, had .522 batting average, and Charles was 3-1 on mound and batted .333. The rest of the all-tourney team was: Bruce Thurs (1b) and Pete Susens (ss) of Marksmen; Ken Ferry(p) brother of Rick, Chief Auto; Bill Baum (p) Andres, Sturgeon Bay; Denny Bess (p) of Gin Mill, Clark Mills, Wis. (Denny has pitched for Gin Mill as well as Tommy's Angels of Oshkosh, in previous world tournaments), and Bob Steigerwald (1b) of All-Car....Merry-O is a good young team with many good years ahead....The latest news I have is that All-Car of Green Bay has signed Rod Jarvis for the '84 season (see Page 1). Jarvis pitched for Johnstown, Pa., in the 1978 and '82 ISC World tournament at Kimberly, Wis.

Jarvis threw for Pennsylvania Sunners out of Reading, Pa., last year and was a teammate of the legendary Ty Stofflet. According to Sponsor **Sign Jarvis** Les Cigel, the team also has been strengthened by addition of Deno Amendson from Madison, Wis., Farm. Cigel plans to add two hurlers from Canada, Terry Bone and Kelly Neals. Cigel has a rebuilding job to do and wants to better the Farm, their biggest opposition, and Merry-O Bar....Final note to the editor: Have you ever printed a picture of yourself in The Bulletin? Your many followers might like that since many don't get to see you. I'll certainly keep the info coming from Wisconsin. - Tom Feck. (Editor's note: We are very grateful to Tom Feck for his help in Wisconsin. Wish we had more like him in every state. His articles are short, interesting, to the point and full of personal names - and no, we have never published our picture.)

BAKERSFIELD GOING PALMDALE, CALIF. - As The January edition of The Bulletin was going to press, reports out of Bakersfield, is that Lowder Electric is going to make a strong bid to host the ASA men's Class A national tournament for 1985 in Bakersfield. Adequate facilities are available (ISC world was held there last year) and Mr. Lowder is anxious to land the meet. Roy and Betty Stout, along with Mr. Lowder) are to head the delegation to Albuquerque, N.M., where the ASA commissioners will hold their annual meeting Jan. 23-28, and where the national tournament bids will be accepted and acted upon. It's being staged in Fargo, N.D., this year. This is rapidly becoming one of the most popular tournaments in the ASA program because of the many Class A teams throughout the country. Les Bazemore, manager of the Lowder Electric team of Bakersfield, tells The Bulletin that he is entering his popular Class A team in the Southern California Softball Association League, headed by Roy Stout. Bazemore had his team in the Central California league last year. Another Bakersfield team, Hudson Supply, also has entered Stout's loop. It is reported that Ron Chambers, former manager of defunct Dave Frye team, plans to head a team that will seek entrance in the same league.

'83 Review

TOM FECK REPORTS WISCONSIN ACTIVITIES

HE ATTENDED; MERRY-O TAKES ISC STATE;

ALL-CAR WINNER OF NORTH CENTRAL EVENT

Bar of Green Bay, 3-2, for title of Classic division. Pete Waddington (Canadian product) "hummin'" for All-Car was named MVP pitcher. He had 5-hitter with 10 K's

CLASSIC FINISH:	W	L	
All-Car, Antigo.....	4	2	Ken Mulry, world meet pitcher last year, took the loss for Box Office, Green Bay.....
Merry-O Bar, Green Bay....	4	2	fice. Bob Johnson of China Steel, Canada.....
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1	5		team of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada,
Chief Auto, Madison	0	6	attends this tourney

every year and gives a good showing....In the Class A division of this meet Kelly Athletic Club of Schfield, Wis., beat Wausau Marksmen, 9-1, for the title. Ed Klimmek threw 5-hitter for win

CLASS A FINISH:	W	L	
Kelly Athletic Club	3	1	Mike Witter of KAC was best hitter. Roger Binkowski homered in title game that saw Kellys get 12 hits off two Marksmen hurlers. Marksmen were '82 Class A runners-up
Marksmen, Wausau....	3	1	
Konop, Green Bay....	2	2	
Denny's, Marathon...	1	3	
East Town, Green Bay	1	3	

to Wilbur Lime of Galesville, Wis., who took fifth in national Class A tourney....KELLY-COCA-COLA CLASSIC at Schofield, Wis. (10th) went off with a bit of an upset. All-Car of Antigo, Wis., was beaten in "if" game by Wilbur Lime of Galesville. All-Car downed Wilbur, 4-2, to force the "if" game, which Wilbur won, 4-2. Pete Waddington had the win with 11 K's, while Bob Steigerwald homered for All-Car in their win. In the "if" game John Ernster threw a 5-hitter for Wilbur. Bruce Weaver took the loss. All-Car used three pitchers, including Pete Waddington of Canada and Bruce Fowler of New Zealand, now living in Green Bay. Tom Raimor of Service Drugs, Portage, Wis., was best pitcher. Ron Pelischek of All-Car was MVP. Musson's-Pats of Rhinelander, Wis., was third and Merry-O Bar of Green Bay was fourth.....HODAG INVITATIONAL (24th) was held in Rhinelander, Wis., which I attended. This tourney is used by many teams as a warm-up for the state ISC meet. It also attracts teams from northern Michigan. The tourney was won by Tommy's Angels of Oshkosh, Wis. In the past they have made many very good showings in the World ISC tournaments. Tommy's defeated Merry-O Bar of Green Bay, 2-1, for the title. Merry-O forced the "if" game with an 18-inning 6-5 win over Tommy's earlier. Merry-O lost to Tommy's, 4-2, in finals of winners' bracket. They played five games in a row. Their pitching staff (On Page 30)

WAUSAU, WIS. (By Tom Feck) - The 14th annual North Central was held at Antigo in '83 as a round robin. All-Car of Antigo (second last two years) beat the Box Office

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Cal State

FULLERTON WINS WOMEN'S MAJOR MEET
OF FIVE COLLEGE, THREE ASA TEAMS;
TERRY KEASLING HAS ONLY NO-HITTER

matadores in the meantime scored one run off the Arrows' Terry Keasling on a Sacy Lim triple and a squeeze bunt for 1-0 win....Cal State Fullerton's 2-0 win over Fullerton Arrows in championship game came about without hitting the ball out of the infield - in fact without a base hit as Keasling lost her composure in the fifth innings, she walked in a run and in the sixth, wild pitched in the second run. Cal State breezed through its bracket, beating Long Beach Sundowners in opener, 2-0, and the University of California, Santa Barbara in second game before encountering Northridge and Kathy Slaten....Fullerton Arrows alternated Pitchers Jeanette Tjaarda and Keasling, beating Inland Cities Sikver Streak, 3-1, in their opener. Kim Nutter and Laura Myers each getting two hits. Kim Nutter played her usual All-American style of ball both at bat and with heads-up base-running. The California Crude, the Arrows' next opponent from San Jose, Calif., was no match for Terry Keasling as she hurled the tournament's only no-hitter, winning 3-0 while striking out 10 batters. Tjaarda and Keasling hurled a 2-hit shutout over Cal University Santa Barbara Gauchos in Arrows' third game, winning 1-0 as Cheri Ertel doubled home Catcher Judy Henneman with the only run in the ninth inning....This set up the meeting of the Fullerton Arrows against another fine southern California team, the Free Agents. The Arrows scored one run off Cindy Bristow in second on Myers' single, Keasling's sacrifice, Liz Mason's single and Tjaarda's pinch hit squeeze bunt. Kathy Van Wyk hurled the final three innings for Free Agents, allowing one hit, while Terry Keasling was limiting the Free Agents to four hits....While the Arrows were eliminating the Free

Championship Game:

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Keasling and Henneman; Baker, LeFebvre (6) and L. King, Richards (6).
2B - E. King (CSF).

Agents, Cal State Fullerton's Titans were knocking Cal State Northridge into the losers' bracket, setting up a re-match with Northridge and the Fullerton Arrows. Jeanette Tjaarda pitched by far her best game of the tournament with the Arrows winning, 4-0, although Northridge didn't throw Kathy Slaten in this game. While not having Slaten

to contend with in that second re-match, the Arrows pounded out six hits, two by Jamie McCandlish, advancing to the championship game....In the final game, Cal State Fullerton's Lisa Baker started, going five and one-third innings with Susan LeFebvre relieving, allowed the Arrows just a seventh inning single by Annette Jones. In the meantime, Cal State managed two hits off Terry Keasling - one Leslie King's bunt and the other an opposite field slap by Elsie King. However, seven walks and the hit batter in the final three innings were Keasling's misfortune....In this writer's opinion the tournament sponsor, the Gamblers' Bill Frampton and the entire ground crew deserve a big pat on the back. The fields were in excellent condition in spite of heavy rains.

THEY WRITE: "An awful lot of fastpitch fans would be left out in the 'cold' if The Bulletin should be discontinued. I hope the financial problems work out some how. I'd like to renew my subscription for '84," Ed Duffy, Allentown, Pa..... "Please renew my subscription to most informative paper anywhere. We had great year in '83 and it looks better for '84. I will carry three pitchers on my 4-man squad. Keep up the good work," Trino Palacios, manager California Cuties, Lakewood, Calif. "It's quite an adjustment when for 20 years your life revolves around fastpitch and then not be involved anymore. I recently had eye surgery. Please renew my subscription as I still enjoy the news," Lonnie Wood, Lakewood, Calif..."Season's greetings," Gary Larson, Appleton, Wis.

CALIFORNIA COLLEGE TITLE

WON BY GOLDEN WEST GIRLS

FULLERTON, CALIF. (By Roland Sheldon) - Golden West College of Huntington Beach won the California community college women's fastpitch championship held here late last fall, when their hard-hitting Catcher Donna McElrea hit a towering home run in bottom of fourth inning to give the Rustlers a 1-0 win over a talented Sacramento City College. After the two state finalists split 1-0, 9-inning games the day before, Golden West Coach Mickey Davis thought the climax was appropriate. "It was a fitting ending to the season we've had. We've become accustomed to close games," Davis said. Golden West finished the season at 37-11. Sacramento was 32-9. Also, it was the first loss by Sacramento Panther Pitcher Stephanie Price (18-3) to a community college team during the 1983 season....Throughout the season it was Donna McElrea's battery mate, Pitcher Tina Kyler who received much of the credit and attention for the Rustlers' South Coast conference and southern California championships. Kyler entered the state championships against Sacramento City College with a 30-6 record, 23 shut-outs and an 0.22 ERA. She pitched the two games against Sacramento, winning and losing 1-0 decisions. But in the third game the next day at Fullerton College, McElrea was just as much a hero as Kyler with her booming homer. In three games, McElrea threw out four runners and picked off three others at first base. The highly touted Sacramento Panthers, who had stolen 155 bases in 172 attempts prior to the championship series, did not steal one base off McElrea. In addition, McElrea tripled and scored the winning run in first game, all of which added up to her being named the MVP player of the tourney. McElrea's homer was all the support Pitcher Tina Kyler needed. After allowing two singles in first, she retired 18 straight batters and 19 of the last 20. Kyler didn't allow an earned run in her last 83 innings. McElrea added: "As long as we get a run for Tina Kyler, she buckles down and does her best. She's so good and it's so much fun catching her." Seventeen of Kyler's 32 victories were 1-0 decisions.

NAME MICKEY DAVIS

COACH OF THE YEAR

HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIF. (By Roland Sheldon) - Golden West Fastpitch Coach Mickey Davis, for the second time in three years, has been selected 1983 community college coach of the year by the California Coaches Assn. Coach Davis, who is a graduate of Winthrop college in her native South Carolina and earned her masters from Whittier College in California, has compiled a 4-year head coaching record at Golden West of 157 wins and 43 losses for an outstanding .785 average. During the past nine years, the Golden West Rustlers have accomplished more than any community college team in the country - national champions four successive years - 1975-'78; California state champions 1979, '81 and '83; state runners-up in 1980 and '82. All this despite a complete lineup change every two years and a change in head coaches after the first state championship. Judi Garman, who built the Golden West Dynasty after taking over the program in 1971 left after guiding the Rustlers to the school's first state crown in 1979. (Garman is now leader at Cal State Fullerton.) Garman's assistant and former Orange Lionette, Mickey Davis, took over the coaching job and built her own dynasty....Davis' coaching philosophy is not win at all cost. In her office hangs a plaque which describes part of her philosophy. It reads: "When you're being run out of town, get in front and make it look like a parade."

SOFTBALL CLINIC

FULLERTON, CALIF. # Cal State Fullerton will conduct its fifth annual softball clinic for players Feb. 25 and 26 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Expanded this year to two days, players will register for one day only and numbers will be limited. Pre-registration is a must as over 2,500 past participants have found this a great way to begin their season. The clinic is both motivational and instructional. Players will participate (with emphasis on fundamentals) as well as attend lectures. Topics include "Obtaining Scholarships," "Understanding the Rules," "Being a Team Player," and "Conditioning to Prevent Injuries." Sessions will be conducted by Don Sarno (Hall of Fame pitcher), Judi Garman and Kathy Van Wyk (Cal State Fullerton coaches), Denise Yeomans (national official), Julie Dukellis (CSUF and Olympic trainer), assisted by other college coaches and athletes. Bob Davies (hypnotherapist, coach and magician) will entertain and motivate each player to "reach her potential." Cost of the clinic is \$10 per player. A team rate of \$8 per player will be given if there are 12 or more from a school. For information call 1-714-773-2677, athletic dept.

New Zealand Report

TAKANINI, NEW ZEA*
LAND - Alf Whelan
was in the perfect
spot when New Zea-

BRIEF CAREER OUTLINE OF ALF WHELAN, WHO TOOK
NEW ZEALAND INTO THE INTERNATIONAL FASTPITCH
ARENA; SERVED ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT 11 YEARS

land's fastball authorities decided to enter the 1966 men's world series and take fastball side out of the country for the first time "We were like babes in the wood, going into the unknown," he remembers. "No one knew how much we

knew, or how much we didn't know." What nobody knew was the Whelan had a world-class pitcher in Kevin Herlihy, then only 18 years old and fresh out of high school. In Mexico, then on Oklahoma in 1968 and Manila in 1972, Herlihy gave the side respectability. In 1972 Herlihy conceded only five runs in the whole competition to lose four games 1-0 because the New Zealand batters just could not hit well enough. It is still the problem in New Zealand where pitchers start at eight or nine years old and make the big clubs at 17 or 18. Whelan was the man who started it all. Starting as a first baseman in his early days, he always had the brains to out-fox the opposition. When his first club Eden became too powerful, he started the United with players from all over Auckland City....New Zealand softball clubs are not 1-team affairs. United started

Trevor Rowse, dedicated
fastball writer, inter-
viewed Alf Whelan re-
cently and I am submit-
ting it herewith. - Eu-
gene Shepherd from Ta-
kanini, New Zealand.

WITH JUST the one team and, to fulfill association require-
ments, soon grew to four. Last season United had 17 teams
from youngsters to veterans, with a powerful organization,
which makes it one of the most influential in the country.
Whelan was an Auckland all-star, playing for the country's
biggest city for many years. Dropped from the side one year
he ended up master-minding the side. By the end of that sea-
son he was the selector-manager of the North Island team,
which thrashed the South for two years. Because the South
was demoralized, Whelan was switched to coach the South Is-
land and the trend reversed. The "little guys" bounced back

in the all-star game at the end of the annual series every year....When international
fastball came, Whelan was the only man with the full qualities to take the national
all-star selection. "It was then that I realized my strength was that I could have a
team for a very short time and yet mould it into a fighting unit. It was the same
with the New Zealand team. We always had great team spirit....We would have gone in-
ternational before, but to go to the U.S. nationals would have been too great a fi-
nancial burden in a two-life system. So, when the U.S. agreed to round robin play we
were in right away....Our first international was against Mexico in Mexico City, with
15,000 screaming fans. We lost, 3-1, but we learned. Unfortunately we faced the U.S.
Salmasters (Aurora, Ill.) next and lost, 5-0. But then we won 13 in a row, lost nar-
rowly to U.S. in semi-final and beat Mexico for third. Our key match was the third,
when we came of age by beating Canada, 9-4, in the ninth."...Back home, Coach Whelan
was moving about the country. Most of the time he was selling fabrics for business he
started and still continues with his wife and sons forming the company....But, he also
encouraged the country town boys to get in there pitching and batting.

Encourage There was plenty of defense going on as Kiwis specialize in going to prac-
tice two nights a week and throwing the ball from base to base to keep the
Town Boys score down. They also have plenty of pitchers, but the batting was ne-
glected. The country boys responded and the domination of the big cities

was dented, if not altered....After his third world event, when New Zealand finished
third (after being fifth in 1968), Whelan retired. He had seen his New Zealand team
beat Mexico and the Phillipines for the first time - and take a run off the U.S.A.!....
"We worked so hard to beat the speedballers in 1968 and came unstuck against the junk-
ies. In 1972 we toured South Africa first and worked against both kinds, Whelan said.
"I was going to retire from the game completely, but the New Zealand Softball Assn. head
gave up the position and I was asked to stand. Since then I have worked hard to
get every part of the country involved - and succeeded! We are fully involved interna-
tionally with men, women and age group sides in world events. We have toured China
and Australia, held a world series for men (in 1976 when torrential rain (On Page 26)

NEW ZEALAND REPORT (From Page 25) in mid-summer caused the tournament to be abandoned on the last day with U.S., Canada and New Zealand tied for first place amid a great controversy), and will host the women's event in Auckland in 1986. "...Since the international era, New Zealand has shown that it is a country full of young pitchers, many of them single and available to go to North America for the northern summer (Their summer is our winter). Herlihy held out for many years because of an excellent job in Hamilton, but United sent Graham Arnold to Seattle (now with Bloomington, Ill., Budweiser) with great success and Arnold was named on the All-American selection at one stage. A great connection with Arizona's ASA Commissioner A. C. Williams in Prescott has seen pitchers such as Michael White, Steve Jackson, Loren Algar, John Dawson, Kevin Henderson, Jimmy Fowler, Paul Magan, Brent Stevenson, Alan Wishart and Gordon King playing all over the United States (and all well known in the United States). Herlihy, White and Jackson are the most likely for the 1984 New Zealand team to participate in the world tournament at Midland, Mich., June 29-30-July 1....New Zealand has developed the game at national and international levels under Whelan's guidance. "We have now reached the stage where we can attract top overseas sides to tour here," says Mr. Whelan. "We now pay seventy-five percent of a visiting team's fares and all internal expenses, so we are getting some good offers and so can pick and choose. And we can compete as batters such as Jimmy Cotter and Ian Stringer have led the way in hitting over the fence." Alf Whalen, who is now International Softball Federation's vice president for the South Pacific, has left New Zealand fastball in fine shape....and the replacements for King Kevin Herlihy are already lining up.

SAYS VICTORIA, B.C., PORT ANGELES, WASH. (By Don Schlemmer) - The Bulletin's coverage of the Canadian nationals through Bert Bertola, was good. **IS FASTPITCH CAPITOL** I attended in Victoria, B.C., and the capacity crowds were something to behold. My team, Port Angeles Budweisers, plays in Victoria and I would have to rate it the fastpitch capitol of all North America. So many leagues, etc., and even though I don't like to say it, they have the most educated fans I have ever seen. They love fastpitch and truly understand the game. It is amazing!...I just finished reading your November edition and your editorial three times. I know what a problem you have and feel badly about the situation. I hope you will be able to continue. After all your Bulletin is the best thing that ever happened to fastpitch. I have been in fastpitch 36 years and have managed for 24. We are not big time, but we have always enjoyed the game and I have always tried to do a good job coaching. I am just a wage earner, but I would be willing to pay a higher price for your Bulletin, just to keep it going. It looks like some of us coaches should ask our players to subscribe. During the summer months I let several of our players read my copy and they enjoy it.

HAPPY CHEF MANKATO, MINN. - Marley Lloyd, who serves as manager of well known Happy Chef team, is now printing and mailing out a newsletter pertaining his **NEWSLETTER** team periodically. In his last issue he reports that Lee Jolstad and Denry Yeskie will be back as pitchers in 1984. He also reports that Steve Lanier and Tim Egan (formerly of All-American Bar of St. Paul, are to join the Happy Chef team for 1984. Both are left-handed hitters and will add power to the batting order. Others who have stated they will be back are Mark Ramlo, Dan Nessler, Jeff Nessler, Bill Menke, Craig Lloyd, Lynn McAllister, Marley Lloyd, Scotty Christensen, as well as Coach Dick Lyons and Rich Otto as publicity man. Vern Schoolmeester and Bill Johnson have indicated they will retire. Lloyd also states that "We have been assured that the sponsorship by the Happy Chef organization is secured again for 1984. The schedule has not been finalized but nearly so. Teams we generally play will be as tough as ever. The merger of Butt'r Topp and Modern Piping in Iowa, will make this team a real toughie, according to Lloyd. He also reports that The Farm of Madison, Wis., will be back stronger than ever and have Peter Meredith and Loran Algar back as pitchers. Lloyd also states he is working on a California trip, but it's still tentative. California teams and any others who might be receptive should get in touch with Marley Lloyd at 172 Mary Circle, North Mankato, Minn. 56001 or call him at 1-507-338-6782.

plates Kaleos

MAGNA PLATING, BURBANK, CALIF.,

WINS JOE PAGAN MEMORIAL TOURNEY

AT WAILUKU; RAY CHASE NAMED MVP

Memorial tournament staged here over Thanksgiving holiday, at War Memorial Stadium. They were the Kaleos, who brushed aside a pair of Kauai teams, the Astros and Budweiser Eagles, to suddenly find themselves in the winners' bracket semi-finals against Don Kelland's team of Yuma, Ariz., a major team that was ranked first in its state. They're the Kaleos, who somehow found a way Saturday night to win a 6-4 thriller from Kelland's in a game that will be remembered by players and fans as a victory for the reputation of Maui fastpitch softball.....But the magic wore off Sunday afternoon. Locked in a 1-1 tie against highly-rated Magna Plating of Burbank, Calif., Kaleos watched the club from the mainland push three runs across in top of seventh of championship game. When the dust had cleared and the Californians finally recorded final out after a pair of 2-out hits by Kaleos in bottom of seventh, Magna was on its way

WAILUKU, HAWAII. The teams from California, Arizona and island of Kauai probably asked same question about the Kaleos. "Who are these guys?"

They were group of players put together by Rodney Jarnesky as Maui's other entry in annual Joseph M. Pagan

Memorial Softball Tournament. They were the Kaleos, who brushed aside a pair of Kauai teams, the Astros and Budweiser Eagles, to suddenly find themselves in the winners' bracket semi-finals against Don Kelland's team of Yuma, Ariz., a major team that was ranked first in its state. They're the Kaleos, who somehow found a way Saturday night to win a 6-4 thriller from Kelland's in a game that will be remembered by players and fans as a victory for the reputation of Maui fastpitch softball.....But the magic wore off Sunday afternoon. Locked in a 1-1 tie against highly-rated Magna Plating of Burbank, Calif., Kaleos watched the club from the mainland push three runs across in top of seventh of championship game. When the dust had cleared and the Californians finally recorded final out after a pair of 2-out hits by Kaleos in bottom of seventh, Magna was on its way home with a 4-1 victory and the championship trophy...."Well, we gave it a good shot," said Kaleos Pitcher Bo Ellison, whose pinch single in sixth frame ignited a rally that briefly breathed life into Kaleos' chances. Trailing, 1-0, to Magna's hard-throwing righthander, Adrian Downs, Kaleos tied the game when Paul Racadio re-entered the game for Ellison, took

second on a grounder by Jimmy Hall and scored when Player-Coach Jarnesky lined a solid single to center...The celebration was short-lived; however, as Magna's Randy Kutcher hammered a pinch-double to drive in the winning run in top of seventh. When Shortstop John Medina capped the rally with his tournament-leading 12th hit, Kutcher came in with the third run of the inning and Kaleos' fate was all but sealed. "They're a spunky bunch of guys," said Magna Pitcher Tracy Saterfield, who pitched his team to a 6-3 vic- (On Page 28)

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JOSEPH M. PAGAN MEMORIAL SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT Friday's Results (Winners' Bracket)

Budweiser Eagles (Kauai) 2, California Dons 0
Kaleos (Maui) 4, Kauai Astros 3
Kelland's (Arizona) 5, Island Boys (Kauai) 2
Magna (California) 4, Laulima (Kauai) 0
Kaleos 9, Budweiser Eagles 0

(Losers' Bracket)
National Amusement (Oahu) 5, Alram's (Oahu) 0

Maui Braves 6, All's (Oahu) 0
Kauai Astros 1, California Dons 0

Saturday's Results
(Winners' Bracket)

Kelland's 3, Magna 2
Kaleos 6, Kelland's 4

(Losers' Bracket)
National Amusement 2, Budweiser Eagles 1

Maui Braves 2, Laulima 1
Kauai Astros 3, Island Boys 2
National Amusement 1, Maui Braves 0
Magna 4, Kauai Astros 3
Magna 2, National Amusement 1

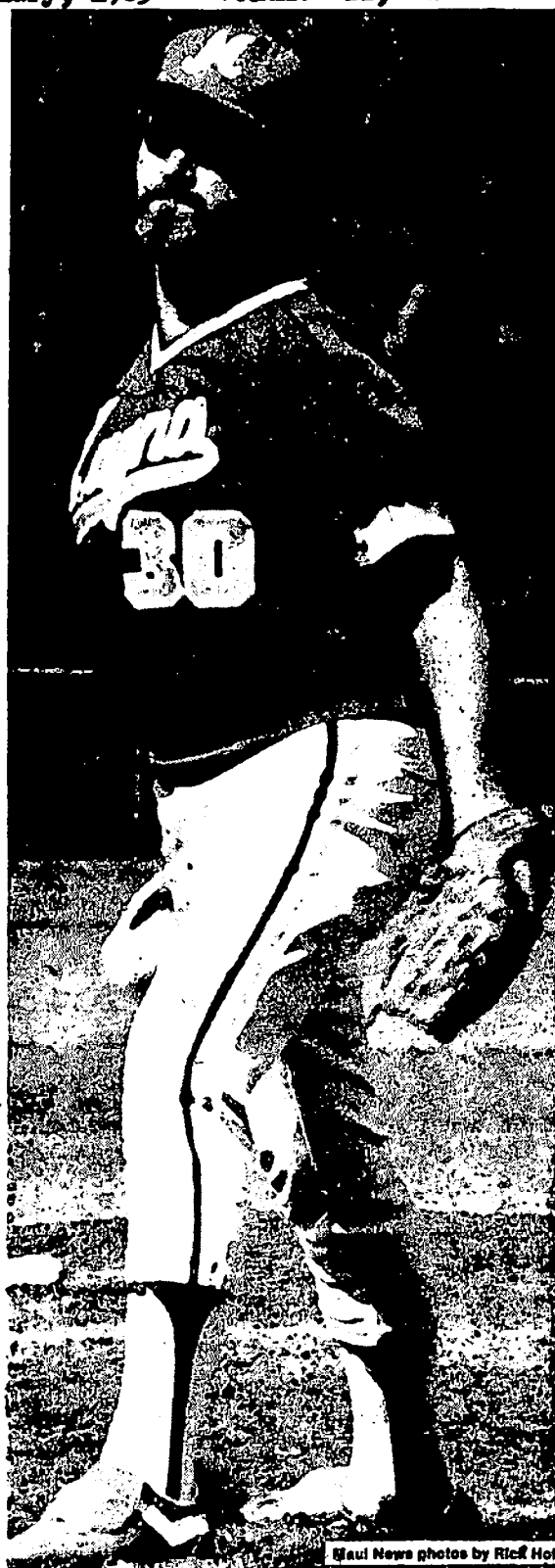
Sunday's Results
(Losers' Bracket Final)

Magna 5, Kelland's 3
(Championship Finals)

Magna 6, Kaleos 3
Magna 4, Kaleos 1

Awards

Most Stolen Bases — John Medina (Magna), 3
Most Hits — John Medina (Magna), 12
Most RBI — Steve Cates (Magna), 7
Highest Batting Avg. — Rodney Jarnesky (Kaleos), .563
Best Pitcher — Ron Thompson (Maui Braves), 0.25 ERA
Best Sportsmanship — Budweiser Eagles
Most Valuable Player — Ray Chase (Magna)



ADRIAN DOWNS stops Kaleos for title

Maui News photos by Rick Holt

PLATES KALEOS (From Page 27) tory over Kaleos in Sunday's first game of championship finals. Satterfield, who struck out 10 in a 3-hit, 4-0 shutout in Magna's win over Laulima of Kauai and also pitched his team to a much-needed win over Astros, 4-3, after Kelland's dropped Magna to losers' bracket, 3-2, was posted to a 5-0 lead in Sunday's first game over Kaleos, who scored three runs but not enough for its first loss to force the "if" game. It was that game that Adrian Downs's hard stuff proved effective. Only three Kaleos runners reached base until sixth. "I just throw hard and high," Downs noted, who displayed a blistered right index finger from pitching a flurry of hard rise balls. Another pitcher who had high praise for the Kaleos was Ron Thompson of host Maui Braves. "They were aggressive," said Thompson, who was a hard-luck loser when the Braves were ousted from the meet by National Amusement of Oahu, 1-0. The Braves, who dropped a 2-1 decision to Magna in opening round, came back with wins over Alii's (6-0) and Laulima (2-1) before facing National Amusement. A 1-out triple by Craig Hall and a suicide squeeze bunt by Dean Kashiwabara accounted for the only run of the game. Despite the defeat, Thompson was lauded for his pitching efforts when he was named tournament's top pitcher with an 0.25 ERA in 28 inning. The Braves' loss left it up to Kaleos to represent the Valley Isle rest of tourney and they fulfilled the task well. Undoubtedly the highlight was their win over Kelland's

on Saturday night. The winners scored an unearned run in second and Beat Kelland's added three more in third on doubles by Bernie Ricardio and Larry Pacheco, who stole third and came into score when a surprised Kelland catcher threw the ball into leftfield. The Arizona team rebounded with three runs in fourth, but Kaleos regained it in sixth when Pacheco's third hit started a 2-run rally that was aided by three Kelland errors. "Winning Pitcher Bernie Ricardio, a lefthander, retired final nine batters to finish with 3-hitter. "We made the hits we needed," beamed Jarnesky, "even though Kelland's brought in their best pitcher, the veteran Jim Sperry, who had thrown a 1-hitter and a 3-hitter in earlier wins over Magna and National Amusement."...Rodney Jarnesky, who won trophies for being tournament's batting champion (.563 average on 9-16 hitting) and most inspirational player. said his club could do even better if it had more playing experience. "We only get together for three or four tournaments a year, and then we practice just three times before each tourney," said the Kaleos player-coach. "We have a good group of guys and it would be nice to play at least once a week. I'd like to be able to go over to the mainland for

for tournaments, but funds are hard to come by." As it is, the Play Very Little next action for any of the Maui teams won't happen until Feb. 17-20 in Hilo for the Bob Rapp tourney, on the big island....The records and rosters for teams like Kelland's and Magna Plating speak for themselves. Kelland's was led by Jim Sperry who has played the game so 30 years (and keeps himself in excellent condition, according to Don Kelland, his sponsor), and Magna's roster includes former professional baseball players like Catch Bob Adams, who spent six years in the Detroit baseball club organization, who spent three months in big leagues, and Steve Cates, who spent time in the Phillies organization as a pitcher....But the Kaleos let their playing do the talking on the field. Their roster includes Pitchers Bo Ellison and Bernie Ricardio, Catcher Jimmy Hall, Infielders Rodney Jarnesky, Bob Sipe, Glen Fernandez and George Bartholomew, and Outfielders Ricky Ricardio, John Delima, Wally Mederios, Larry Pacheco and Paul Ricardio, and Designated Hitters Kelvin Verzoza and Don Ball....No need to ask just who these guys are any more! (This report by Rick Hoff of the Maui News is the best one ever written since all the tournaments I have seen here in the islands. So I war t Rick to have the credit for such a fihe job as well as the photos. My son, Bob Batson's playing days are probably over as he was thrown by a horse while rounding up cattle on the ranch that employed him and has two herniated discs - fourth and fifth. Consequently the owner of the ranch terminated him Dec. 1 and Bob and his family have to move out of his house, whcih was part of his wages. I think the owner, Pardee Erdman, should let Bob stay until he is able to get another job. Bob plans to sue the ranch, but Erdman is a big man in Hawaii and Bob may have trouble getting a lawyer. Bob claims he worked for the ranch for nine years and put \$6,000 in repairing and improving the house he has been living in, but this don't count and I guess he's going to get kicked out....I plan to cover the Bob Rapp tournament for the Bulletin on Feb. 17-20. I didn't attend the Fil-Am tourney last July 4 and that's why no report. - Thurston "Al" Batson, Maui H^Aole from Long Beach, Calif.

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- Feb. 3-4-5 - San Fernando Valley Raiders men's Class A dbl.elim.at Burbank,Calif.\$150. Burbank Rec.Dept.,275 E.Olive St.,Burbank,Calif.91502. 1-223-847-9560, 843-4340.
- Feb. 17-18-19 - L.A.Devastators & Greeko's men's open/A dbl.elim.at Evergreen Pk.\$150. Greeko Fregozo, 2334 Charlotte Ave., Rosemead, Calif. 91770. 1-213-571-7669.
- Feb. 17-18-19-20 - Bob Rapp Memorial men's dbl.elim. at Hilo, Hawaii. Contact Gerald Pereira, 39 Pakalana St., Hilo, Hawaii, 96720. 1-808-935-0351.
- Feb. 25-26 - Bill Urbanec's spring men's Class C dbl.elim.at Santa Ana,Calif. \$125. Chris Pilios, 1601 W. Santa Clara, Santa Ana, Calif. 92706. 1-714-541-4019.
- Mar. 2-3-4 - Magna Plating men's Class A dbl.elim.at Burbank,Calif. \$150; 16 teams. Ray Chase,1401 E.San Jose Ave.,Burbank,Calif.91501. 1-213-843-8152, 243-1101.
- Mar. 9-10-11 - Nitehawks pre-season men's open dbl.elim.at Joe Rodgers field. \$140. Red Meairs, 1365 Bennett Ave., Long Beach,Calif. 90804. 1-213-498-0221.
- Mar. 16-17-18 - 8th Carson men's open/A dbl.elim.at Carson Parks. \$160. Limit 24 teams. Mike Pino,Rec.Dept.,701 E.Carson, Carson,Calif.90749. 1-213-830-7600 ex. 259.
- Mar. 23-24-25 - 2nd Slick Davis Memorial men's open dbl.elim.at Vista,Calif. \$170. Cory Davis, P.O.Box 154, Vista,Calif. 92083. 1-619-726-5129 after 5 p.m.
- Mar. 24-25 - Lake Elsinore men's spring Class B dbl.elim.at Lake Elsinore. \$130+ball. Chuck Vranich, 15885 Brenda Lane, Riverside, Calif. 92506. 1-714-780-2506.
- Apr. 7-8 - Sunrise Cedars 3rd men's A/open rnd.rbn.at Cheyenne complex. \$185+ball game. Bubba Luke, 2627 S.Lamb #207, Las Vegas, Nev. 89121. 1-702-457-2643.
- Apr. 27-28-29 - Royals Men's Class B dbl.elim. at San Bernardino,Calif. \$150.B hurlers. Jimmy Quiroz, 7938 Juniper Ave., Fontana, Calif. 92335. 1-714-823-3529.
- May 4-5-6 - San Bernardino Stars men's open dbl.elim.at San Bernardino. \$160. Contact Joe Baca, 1850 N. Magnolia Ave., Rialto, Calif. 92376. 1-714-875-4940.
- May 11-12-13 - Lowder Electric men's open dbl.elim.at Bakersfield,Calif. Limit 14. Les Bazemore, 2205 Earlene Ct., Bakersfield, Calif. 93304. 1-805-833-8535.
- May 12-13 - Budweiser men's open/A dbl.elim.at Las Vegas,Nev. complex. \$150. Contact Don Benton, 4325 Via Vaquero, Las Vegas, Nev. 89102. 1-702-871-0383.
- May 18-19-20 - Penn Corp. men's open rnd.rbn.for 12 teams at Sioux City, Iowa.\$200. Gale Kurtz, 335 Davidson Bldg., Sioux City, Iowa 51104. 1-712-255-5021, 239-3802.
- May 18-19-20 - Elkton men's open dbl.elim.at Pine Grove,Elkton,Md. \$150. 16 teams. Jack Cooke,2205 Oldfield Point Rd.,Elkton,Md.21921. 1-301-398-2379,302-731-5519.
- May 19-20 - Budweiser men's Class B dbl.elim.at Las Vegas, Nev. \$150. Many trophies. Don Benton, 4325 Via Vaquero, Las Vegas,Nev.89102. 1-702-871-0383.
- May 25-26-27 - Elsie Snyder-Dick Oliver women's/grils rnd.rbn.classic at Chattanooga. J.F.Straussberger,P.O.Box 1082, Chattanooga,Tehn.37401. 1-615-892-8446.
- May 25-26-27-28 - Art Miguel Memorial men's Class B dbl.elim.at Corona. \$115+ball. Jim "Chayo" Rodriguez,804 W. 8th St., Corona,Calif.91720. 1-714-737-7629.
- May 25-26-27-28 - ADM Memorial Classic men's open rnd.rbn./playoff at Borg-Warner. Jim Nicol, 840 Sarah Drive, Decatur,Ill.62526. 1-217-877-2121. (Entries filled).
- May 25-26-27-28 - Tournament of Champions open rnd.rbn./playoff at S-A field,Aurora. Bill Paull, 77 S. Broadway, Aurora, Ill. 60507. (All entries are filled.)
- May 25-26-27-28 - Patriots spring men's open dbl.elim. at Patriots,Bicentennial Parks. Don Hunsicker,2409 S.10th St.,Allentown,Pa. 18103. 1-215-797-6039.(MSC wrkd parks)
- May 26-27-28 - A hland Memorial men's open rnd.rbn.by Ashland Merchants/ESS. \$110. Paul Seymour^S, 68 N. Sylvan Ave., Columbus,Ohio 43204.1-614-279-6934(At Ashland).
- May 26-27-28 - 9th Miller men's open rnd.rbn./playoffs at Kirkwood complex. \$200. Jim Caviness, 1745 Hillside Drive N.W., Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52405.1-319-396-6082.
- May 26-27-28 - Prescott Memorial men's rnd.rbn./playoffs at Prescott. \$125. 12 teams. A.C.Williams, P.O.Box 1850, Prescott,A iz.86302. 1-602-445-5286 or 445-5725.
- June 2-3 - Clear Lake men's open rnd.rbn./playoffs at Clear Lake, Iowa.4 games. \$200. Paul Espinosa, 1001 N. 24th, Denison,Iowa 51442. 1-712-263-5716, 263-5073.

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- June 8-9-10 - Philadelphia Metro men's Class A invitational. Committee selects 10 teams
Walt Lucas, 102 Village Dr., Feasterville, Pa. 19047. 1-215-355-8245.
- June 8-9-10 - Mid-America men's open rnd.rbn 6 teams at Penn Corp Park, Sioux City, Iowa.
Gale Kurtz, 335 Davidson Bldg., Sioux City, Iowa 51104. 1-712-255-5021, 239-3802.
- June 9-10 - Men's Capital City Classic, \$110. Limited to 12 teams. Guaranteed 5 games.
Stan Ochsner, 320 E. McCarty, Jefferson City, Mo. 65101. 1-314-634-6482.
- June 15-16-17 - Rice Lake Boys League men's Class A dbl.elim. Limit 20 teams. \$85/balls.
Loren Lathrop, P.O. Box 202, Rice Lake, Wis. 54868. 1-715-234-9235.
- June 15-16-17 - Philadelphia Metro men's open invitational. Committee slects 10 teams.
Walt Lucas, 102 Village Drive, Feasterville, Pa. 19047. 1-215-355-8245. Trophies.
- June 15-16-17 - Penn Corp. women's open rnd.rbn.at Penn Corp.Park. \$125+ balls.16 teams.
Gale Kurtz, 335 Davidson Bldg., Sioux City, Iowa 51101. 1-712-255-5021, 239-3802.
- June 15-16-17 - Wasatch Bank men's Class A dbl.elim.at Pleasant Grove, Utah. \$125.
Earl Green, 701 E. 400 N., Lindon, Utah 84062. 1-801-785-6238. Deadline May 1.
- June 15-16-17 - Albuquerque's men's open/A rnd.rbn./playoff at USS Bullhead Park. \$150.
Bob Day, coordinator, 1621 Eubank N.E., Albuquerque, N.M. 87112. 1-505-292-2264.
- June 16-17 - Geo. Dryden Memorial men's open dbl.elim.at Jones complex. \$100.16 teams.
Gary McCarty, R.R. #1, Hannibal, Mo. 63401. 1-314-221-8854. \$600 travel allowance.
- June 16-17 - Happy Chief's men's Class A dbl.elim.at Sibley Park, Mankato, Minn. \$200,ball.
Craig Lloyd, P.O. Box 451, Elmore, Minn. 56027. 1-507-943-3225. Expense allowance.
- June 22-23-24 - Rick Fugate Memorial men's open dbl.elim.at Ashland, Ohio. \$100.16 teams.
Paul Seymour, 68 N. Sylvan Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43204. 1-614-279-6934. Trophies.
- June 22-23-24 - Eau Claire men's open dbl.elim. Limit 20 teams. \$125+ball per game.
Ken Van Es, 1300 1st Ave., Eau Claire, Wis. 54703. 1-715-839-6032. Travel expense.
- June 23-24 - Women's Capitol City Classic. Limit 12 teams, guaranteed 5 games. Stan
Ochsner, Rec. Dir., 320 E. McCarty, Jefferson City, Mo. 65101. 1-314-634-6482.
- June 29-30-July 1 - Northeastern ISC regional men's open at Rochester, N.Y. Contact
Otto Steiger, 3902 Brick School House Rpad, Hamlin, N.Y. 14464. 1-716-964-8621.
- June 29-30-July 1 - 20th Firecracker men's open dbl.elim. Limit 16 teams. \$130. Terry
Stewart, P.O.Box 1608, Kissimmee, Fla. 32741. 1-305-847-2388 or 847-4844. Trophies.
- June 29-30-July 1 - ADM July 4 Classic men's open rnd.rbn.at Borg-Warner. Limit 8 teams.
Jim Nicol, 840 Sarah Drive, Decatur, Ill. 62526. 1-217-877-2121. Entirees filled.
- June 29-30-July 1 - Queen City men's Class A dnl.elim. at Buffalo, N.Y. \$165.16 team lim.
David Florko, 43 N. Park Ave., Buffalo, N.Y. 14216. 1-716-835-3960. Trophies.
- June 29-30-July 1 - Stars and Stripes men's open rnd.rbn./playoff at S-A field, Aurora.
Bill Paull, 77 S. Broadway, Aurora, Ill. 60507. (All entries have been filled.)
- June 29-30-July 1 - Patriots 19th July 4 men's open rnd.rbn./playoff. \$150.Travel Exp.
Don Hunsicker, 2409 S. 10th St., Allentown, Pa. 18103. 1-215-437-3402. of \$1,000.
- June 29-30-July 1 - Women's open dbl.elim. at Omaha, Neb.
Carl Kelley, 3712 N. 53rd St., Omaha, Neb. 68104. 1-402-451-7795.
- June 30-July 1-2 - Girls Firecracker. Limit 24 senior & 16 junior teams. \$85. 5 games.
Bob Stremmel, 12707 W. 57th Drive, Arvada, Colo. 80002. 1-303-420-0203.
- June 30-July 1-2-3 - Western Holidays men's rnd.rbn./playoffs. Limit 12 teams. \$125.
A.C. Williams, P.O.Box 1850, Prescott, Ariz. 86302. 1-602-445-5286, 445-5725.
- July 6-7-8 - Ohio ISC regional men's open at Findlay, Ohio. Larry Fisher, area comm.,
615 Central Ave., Apt. B, Findlay, Ohio 45840. 1-419-423-3002.
- July 6-7-8 - Nitehawks 16th Joe Rodgers-Chuck Medick men's open dbl.elim. \$150.12 teams.
Red Mairs, 1365 Bennett Ave., Long Beach, Calif. 90804. 1-213-498-0221. Trophies.
- July 6-7-8 - Fastball Blaster men's open rnd.rbn. at Nogales, Ariz. \$100. Special awards.
Herb Wisdom, Box 25, Tumacacori, Ariz. 85697. 1-602-398-2397.
- July 13-14-15 - All-Car men's open dbl.elim.at ISC World Tournament park in Kimberly.
James Melville, 21205 Mary Lynn Drive, Waukesha, Wis. 53186. 1-414-786-4101.
- July 14-15 - Fastballers men's open 6-team rnd.rbn.at Mote Park, Piqua, Ohio. \$100.
Gordon L. Wise, 1115 Broadway, Piqua, Ohio 45356. 1-513-773-1084. Trophies.
- July 13-14-15 - Southern ISC regional men's open at Newark, Del. See ISC commissioner or
Wayne Knerr, 609 Elizabeth Road, Glen Burnie, Md. 21061. 1-301-768-4205.
- July 20-21-22 - West Virginia ISC regional at Fairmont, W.Va. See ISC commissioner or
Lew Mott, 816-Johnson St., New Martinsville, W.Va. 26155. 1-304-455-2255.

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- July 13-14-15 - Pennsylvania ISC regional men's open at Allentown, Pa. Winner to ISC. to Bob Walsh, 1255 Kistler Ave., Bethlehem, Pa. 18015. 1-215-867-7642. World Tourney.
- July 13-14-15 - Washington-N.W. area ISC qualifying men's open dbl.elim. at Linden, Wash. Mike Dodd, P.O.Box "U", Blaine, Wash. 98230. 1-206-332-8721 or 1-206-345-4254.
- July 13-14-15 - Bomber's men's open rnd.rbn./playoff at Ed Moore complex, Clearwater. Mike Hazel, 2029 MacArthur Court, Dunedin, Fla. 33528. 1-813-734-3447. Entry \$100.
- July 20-21-22 - Pioneer Days men's open dbl.elim. at Cottonwood complex, Salt Lake City. Ken Hackmeister, 429 W. 500 South, Bountiful, Utah 84010. 1-801-205-9465, 295-8588.
- July 21-22 - Bud Lite men's open dbl.elim. at Hannibal, Mo. bu O'Connell team. Gary McCarty, R.R. #1, Hannibal, Mo. 63401. 1-314-221-8854.
- July 21-22 - Santa Barbara men's Class B-C rnd.rbn. at City Parks. \$150. limit 16 teams, Clyde Bennett, 6600 Stagecoach Road, Santa Barbara, Calif. 93105. 1-805-964-2114.
- July 27-28-29 - Wisconsin ASA men's Class A state qualifier at Roce Lake, \$462 travel. Ronn Kopp, P.O.Box 202, Rice Lake, Wis. 54868. 1-715-234-9235. Trophies top four.
- July 27-28-29 - Colorado ISC men's open qualifier dbl.elim. at Colorado Springs, Colo. Russ Callahan, 1825 N.Yuma St., Colorado Springs, Colo. 80909. 1-303-636-5753.
- July 27-28-29 - Missouri Area ISC men's qualifier open dbl.elim. at St. Charles, Mo. \$120. Bob Welby, #8 Edgestone Court, Florissant, Mo. 63033. 1-314-831-8432, 383-5700.
- July 27-28-29 - Cgicago ISC Metro men's open dbl.elim. All teams welcome at Aurora, Ill. Ed Kirner, 31 Briarcliff Road, Montgomery, Ill. 60538. 1-312-896-1080.
- Aug. 3-4-5 - Bob Caravan Memorial Girls under 18 tourney at Allentown Parks. \$90. Brian Neefe, 2409 S. 10th St., Allentown, Pa. 18103. 1-215-868-9137.
- Aug. 9-10-11-12 - Girls Under 15 ASA national tournament at Salt Lake City, Utah. See Ken Hackmeister, 428 W. 500 South, Bountiful, Utah 84010. 1-801-295-9465, 295-8588.
- Aug. 9-10-11-12 - Girls under 12 ASA national tournament at Las Cruces, N.M. See your local ASA commissioner for details.
- Aug. 10-11-12 - Missouri men's state ASA tournament for Class A teams. To be staged at Springfield, Mo. See your local ASA commissioner for details.
- Aug. 10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-18-19 - ISC World tournament at Allentown, Pa. Earl Hunsicker, tournament manager, 844 S. 11th St., Allentown, Pa. 18103. 1-215-437-3402.
- Aug. 13-14-15-16-17-18 - A new world tournamennt for men. Open dbl.elim. For champs. Herb Wisdom, P.O. Box 25, Tumacacori, Ariz. 85640. 1-602-398-2397. Entry \$100.
- Aug. 16-17-18-19 - Girls under 18 ASA national tournament at Lodi, Calif. See your local ASA commissioner for details.
- Aug. 16-17-18-19 - Men's Class AA major state tournament (ASA) at Jefferson City, Mo. Bill Byrd, 320 E. McCarty, Jefferson City, Mo. 65101. 1-314-634-6482.
- Aug. 17-18-19-20-21-22-23-24 - Women's Class AA major national tournament at Buffalo, N.Y. See your local ASA commissioner for details.
- Aug. 23-24-25-26 - Women's ASA Class A national tournament at Albuquerque, N.M. See your local ASA commissioner for details.
- Aug. 24 - Sept. 3 - Patriots Class B men's rnd.rbn./3 divisions at Allentown. \$100. Bob Krupa, 2409 S. 10th St., Allentown, Pa. 18103. 1-215-965-9493.
- Aug. 30-31-Sep. 1-2-3 - Men's ASA Class A national tournament at Fargo, N.D. See your local ASA commissioner for details.
- Aug. 31-Sep. 1-2 - 4th World Tournament at Kissimmee, Fla., men's comb. \$130+ball. Terry Stewart, P.O.Box 1608, Kissimmee, Fla. 32741. 1-305-847-2388, 847-4844.
- Aug. 31-Sep. 1-2-3 - Chicano's 7th men's Class B dbl.elim. at City Park, Corona. \$115+. Jim Chayo Rodriguez, 804 W. 8th St., Corona, Calif. 91720. 1-714-737-7629. ball.
- Sep. 7-15 - Men's major ASA national tournament to be staged at St. Joseph, Mo. See your local ASA commissioner for details.
- Sep. 15-16 and 22-23 - Rick Ruiz memorial men's Class A rnd.rbn./playoff at Elsinore. Chcuk Vranich, 15885 Brenda Lane, Riverside, Calif. 92506. 1-714-780-2506. \$135+.

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