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## Texans Are Favored To Win Tourney

# How Will The Teams Finish Is The Question For JUCO 2000

By Ray Coxa

When it comes to predicting the outcome of any sporting event, the prognosticators seem to shy away from putting their...well, neck on the line if anyone can trace 'who will win' back to them.

Consequently, the Program Editor took an informal poll and some obvious predictions were made. However, the predictions were made without the advantage of viewing the bracket or the match-ups of any of the teams that will be pitted against one another at the 43rd annual Alpine Bank National Junior College (JUCO) Baseball World Series.

Only five of the teams had qualified by Friday evening, May 19, which is typical of the District Tournaments held in the regions around the United States. The teams slowly dribble in while the media and the printers of the official program at Colorado Printing Company, await the final ten teams. One rookie fan cast his vote for California, but as everyone else knows, they will not be represented!

The team of choice was Texas, by those polled but then asked to distinguish which team....most of the fans said the Southwestern Region or really the northwest area in the state of Texas.

Texas is a logical, safe pick because during the past 42 years, a third of the championship crowns (14) have been won by a team from the Lone Star State. The dominance prevailed in 1999, when San Jacinto and Grayson met for the title. It was the first time in the history of the tournament when two teams from the same state clashed.

However, the poll favored San Jacinto because of the excellent spot in the 2000 bracket plus its track record over the prior 15 years, which landed them in the finals seven times....fans must also realize the Gators won the most championships (5) of any team in the history of the tournament.

Jacksonville is rated as number two because the 49-11 team from Florida was the first to qualify and should have the best rested team in the history of the tournament. The Stars will have 21 days, or three weeks, to get ready since winning the strong Gulf Region on May 5 and may be the earliest team to ever qualify for JUCO.

Defending champion Grayson, TX, is picked to finish third because of its long trip to Trinidad (CO) and all the pressure of winning last season.

The most interesting choice is Seminole State College of Oklahoma to finish in the top four.

The Trojans have had their share of chances to win in Grand Junction but after 12 trips to Colorado, Seminole may just get lucky on its 13th try. The Trojans first came to Grand Junction as Seminole Junior College in 1980 but never took the grand prize back home.

Dixie College of St. George, Utah is always a popular team with local fans because the Rebels play hard and display good sportsmanship. However, Dixie will have a tough opponent in the opening round (defending champ Grayson) but may be able to play the role of spoiler to finish in the top half of the bracket.

The remaining five teams are usually in the role of underdogs but are certainly capable of upending any team in the weeklong affair.

However, if tradition holds true, the Central, East Central, Southeastern, Eastern and Northern Regions represent 31 of the 50 states. If you exclude California, these five Regions have only won six of the 42 championships....with the most recent winner, Cowley County, Kansas (1997-98).

Of course, the poll was conducted and formulated for readership because the fans of the Grand Junction area and Colorado regard all teams as champions and consider each one among the ten best in the United States.

## TEAM PREDICTIONS OF THE 2000 JUCO WORLD SERIES:

TEAM	REGION	ODDS	COMMENTS
San Jacinto College, TX.....	Southern.....	2-1.....	Great Bracket Position/Plenty of Experience
Florida CC, FL.....	Gulf.....	3-1.....	1st To Qualify/Tough Region To Qualify From
Grayson County College, TX .....	Southwestern .....	4-1.....	Defending Champ/No. 3 in Poll
Seminole State College, OK.....	South Central .....	6-2.....	13th Trip To G.J./Never Won Title
Dixie College, UT.....	Western .....	7-1.....	Local Favorite/Always Scrappy
Allen County CC, KS.....	Central.....	9-1.....	Young Team/Good Hitters/Long Shot
Motlow State CC, TN.....	East Central.....	10-1.....	Always Good Hitters/Lacks Pitching Depth
Meridian CC, MS.....	Southeastern .....	11-1.....	Solid Team/Never Gives Up
Briarcliffe College, NY.....	Eastern .....	12-1.....	Aggressive Players/Region Won It All In '66
Triton College, IL.....	Northern .....	13-1.....	9 States in Region/None Ever Won JUCO Title





## JUCO Committee Heads Into 2000!



The JUCO Committee was formed in 1959 and continues to be one of the most powerful factions in western Colorado. The photo on the left was taken in 1977 and the most current photo is the 2000 committee shown below.

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## Fans Enjoy Wild, Wild, West Shootout As Texans Take Center Stage In Finale

By Ray Coca

It was a good, old, fashioned, wild, wild west shootout when the finals of the 42nd Alpine Bank JUCO World Series took place, as two teams from Texas battled for bragging rights.

When the smoke had cleared, the Vikings of Grayson County College had gunned down rival San Jacinto College North 12-7 before a packed house (estimated at 8,516) in Sam Suplizio Stadium.

For the history buffs, it was the first time in the 42 years of the tournament that two teams from the same state battled for the National Championship. In addition, Grayson County is relatively a newcomer to baseball and JUCO, as the Vikings dropped their program in 1977 before reinstating it for the 1997 season.

Grayson won its first national JUCO title and was the first team to finish undefeated since 1986 when San Jacinto turned the trick.....which means the tournament ended on a Friday night for the first time in

13 years! It was the fourth time in tournament history that statesmen have played one another, all four involving San Jacinto.

The game was a typical championship slugfest as Grayson County built up a nine run lead before San Jacinto could get on the scoreboard.

Most Valuable Player Matt Gawer held the San Jacinto Gators offense in check until they scored one in the fifth and was the winning pitcher after seven innings. A total of 22 runners were stranded on base during the three hour and eleven minute contest.

The 17-hit attack by the Viking hitters on Friday night put the game out of reach, and the Grayson

County College out of Denison, Texas was clearly the dominant team by averaging 9.4 runs per game.

San Jacinto College North is no stranger to the finals of the JUCO World Series, as the Gators have reached the finale seven times in the past 15 years and won the most titles of any team, with five.



## 1999 JUCO Tournament Results...

### SATURDAY, MAY 22

Wallace State (Alabama) **10** - Garden City (Kansas) **6**  
 Central Arizona College **10** - Muscatine (Iowa) **6**  
 Seminole State (Oklahoma) **13** - Manatee (Florida) **2**  
 San Jacinto (Texas) North **8** - Volunteer State (Tennessee) **5**

### SUNDAY, MAY 23

Muscatine **8** - Garden City **6** (Garden City eliminated)  
 Manatee **9** - Volunteer State **4** (Volunteer State eliminated)  
 Grayson County (Texas) **7** - Briarcliffe (New York) **4**

### MONDAY, MAY 24

Manatee **10** - Muscatine **0** (Muscatine eliminated)  
 San Jacinto **24** - Seminole **16**  
 Wallace State **2** - Central Arizona **0**

### TUESDAY, MAY 25

Seminole **4** - Briarcliffe **2** (Briarcliffe eliminated)  
 Manatee **9** - Central Arizona **7** (Central Arizona eliminated)  
 Grayson **14** - San Jacinto **0**

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 26

San Jacinto **16** - Seminole State **4**  
 Grayson **7** - Wallace State **5**

### THURSDAY, MAY 27

San Jacinto **5** - Wallace State **4** (Wallace State eliminated)  
 Grayson County **7** - Manatee **6** (Manatee eliminated)

### FRIDAY, MAY 28

**CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL**  
 Grayson County **12** - San Jacinto **7**

### HOW THEY FINISHED IN 1999:

1. Grayson County 5-0
2. San Jacinto 4-2
3. Manatee 3-2
4. Wallace State 2-2



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### SATURDAY, MAY 27 ... GAME 4

7:00 p.m. Introduction of coaches and dignitaries with  
Cheerleader escorts.  
National Anthem..... Barbershop singers  
Color Guard..... Boy Scout troop 345

### SUNDAY, MAY 28 .... GAME 7

7:00 p.m. Introduction of NJCAA Officials/w escorts  
National Anthem..... Common Thread -  
Deana Sullivan  
Color Guard ..... Boy Scout Troop 357

### MONDAY, MAY 29 (MEMORIAL DAY) .... GAME 10

7:00 p.m. National Anthem..... Barbershop Singers  
Color Guard ..... Cub Scout Pack 342

9:00 p.m. Memorial Day Salute .. Barbershoppers  
Fireworks Display

### TUESDAY, May 30 .... GAME 13

7:00 p.m. (Reserved for special introduction.)  
Norm Franke..... Alpine Bank Scholarships  
National Anthem..... Good Company -  
Donna Kendrick  
Color Guard ..... Cub Scout Pack 342

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 31 .... GAME 15

7:00 p.m. Bill Foster..... Quarterback Club Awards  
National Anthem..... Susan Rowland  
Color Guard ..... Girl Scout Troop 128

### THURSDAY, JUNE 1 .... GAME 17

7:00 p.m. (Reserved for special fan appreciation)  
National Anthem..... Junction Jazz Nola Stephens  
Color Guard ..... Scout Troop 316

### FRIDAY, JUNE 2 ....GAME 18 (CHAMPIONSHIP)

7:00 p.m. Introduce teams via P.A. System  
National Anthem..... Cares-A-Lot Preschool  
Color Guard ..... Boy Scout Troop & Pack 323

### SATURDAY, JUNE 3 .... GAME 19 (IF NECESSARY)

7:00 p.m. National Anthem..... Brad Leggett  
Color Guard ..... Scout Troop 328





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### Controversial Pine Tar Incident Resurfaces

# JUCO Committee Continues To Go First Class In Acquiring George Brett As Banquet Speaker

By RAY COCA

He was an All-Star 13 times, took his team to the World Series in 1985 and had a career .305 batting average, but he was best known for an incident during a game in 1983, between the New York Yankees and the Kansas City Royals.

Yes, we are referring to George Brett, the Hall of Fame third baseman who was the guest speaker at the 43rd annual Alpine Bank National Junior College Baseball World Series banquet.

Would George Brett be the most famous of the former JUCO Banquet speakers? You would have to poll the Grand Junction audience and have a ballot which would include such names as: Reggie Jackson, Bob Gibson, Lefty Gomez, Ernie Banks, Whitey Ford, Willie Mays and Duke Snider....to name but a few.

Paul Molitor was the speaker in 1999, and the fans were not disappointed while current Los Angeles Dodger Manager Davey Johnson entertained the 1200 fans at Two Rivers Convention Center in 1998.

The banquet is not 43 years old like the rest of the tournament because it started in 1959 when the first affair was held in Grand Junction, coming via Miami, Oklahoma which hosted the first ever in 1958. Actually, former football player Jack Curtis was the first speaker in Grand Junction for the 1959 banquet.

Fans remember the fiery Brett over the 20 years he played in the American League for the Royals. What lingers most in the minds of people who study the game is Brett's ability to hit for average, power and averaging only 45 strikeouts a season.

The six-foot, 200 pound Brett had a banner year in 1980 when he hit .390 and had a

chance to be the first player in 39 years to hit .400. He was hitting .400 until the final weeks of the season but fell short. To hit .400 he needed only five (hits) of his 274 outs to reach the goal.

During the post-season, when Kansas City fielded exceptional teams during the 1970's and 1980's, Brett's exploits were outstanding: in 163 at bats, he hit .344, had a slugging percentage of .638, hit 10 homers and knocked in 23 runs.

The exclusive 3,000 hit club, was reached by Brett who finished with 3,154 as well as 1,595 RBI, 317 home runs during 2,707 games and played his entire career with one team. He was only the third player in history with 3,000 career hits, 300 home runs and 200 stolen bases.

Winning batting titles in three different decades speaks volumes for Brett's consistency, 1977 (.333), 1980 (.390) and 1990 (.329).

Loyalty, longevity, competitive spirit and rated one of the best third basemen of all time....what else is there?

Well, back to the great 'pine tar incident' in 1983. Many fans remember the Yankees complaining about pine tar on the bat when a protesting Billy Martin (former JUCO banquet speaker) ran out of the dugout after Brett hit a two-run homer, with two out in the bottom of the ninth.

The bat was inspected by the umpires, then exercised baseball rule 1.10 (b) that states "a bat may not be covered by such a substance more than 18 inches from the tip of the handle". The home plate umpire (Tim McClelland) did not have anything to measure the bat with, so they placed it across home plate, which measures 17 inches across.



When they did, they realized that the pine tar exceeded the legal limit and Brett was called out.

Brett came storming out of the dugout, not just a little upset, but ready to level anyone or anything in his path. He turned into a ranging lunatic and was grabbed around the neck by umpire Joe Brinkman, and eventually the game was over and Kansas City lost (or did they?).

Then president of the American League, Lee MacPhail, later reversed the umpires and the game played under protest was replayed. In reality, "the rest of the story".... the game was won 5-4, by the Kansas City Royals. Incidentally, Colorado native Rich 'Goose' Gossage was the Yankee pitcher who served up the home run to Brett.

Tournament Chairman Sam Suplizio was instrumental in obtaining Brett as the speaker and commented. "We are very honored to have a Major League player of his stature as the banquet speaker."

In looking down the list of former speakers, next year's speaker selection will be a gigantic challenge for Suplizio and Grand Junction, but like everything else associated with JUCO, it should be 'first class'.



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1985	Joe Torre
1984	Lefty Gomez
1983	Bobby Winkles
1982	Sal Bando
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1980	Carl Erskine
1979	Eddie Stanky and Lefty Gomez
1978	Ernie Banks

1977	Bobby Richardson
1976	Whitey Ford
1975	Willie Mays
1974	Lefty Gomez
1973	Bob Hovsam
1972	Bowie Kuhn
1971	Emmett Ashford
1970	Billy Martin
1969	Bobby Richardson
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1967	John McHale

1966	Ed Doherty, James Gallagher, Hugh Finnerty
1965	Lefty Gomez
1964	Stan Musial
1963	Jocko Conlan
1962	Eddie Stanky
1961	William Eckert
1960	Presentation by Major League Scouts
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# Alpine JUCO: ..... "Reinvesting in our community"

Income from the tournament is used by JUCO to improve continuously Suplizio Field and Stocker Stadium as well as Canyon View Field. Shown are recent JUCO projects.



New seatbacks for the grandstands installed this year: **\$25,000.**



New souvenir stands will be completed for this year's tournament: **\$35,000.**



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By  
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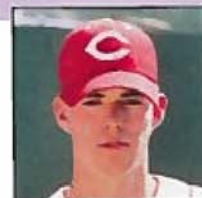


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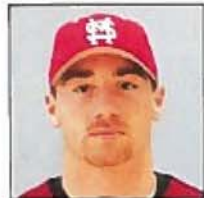
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Canyon View Field is a model of Coors Field, home of the Colorado Rockies.



A new major-league batting cage and protective fence have been added this year.



The track, football field and west stands at Stocker Stadium have been rebuilt this year: **\$350,000.**

**The JUCO Committee thanks the fans and the community for their support over the past 43 years which has made all these projects possible.**

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The lighting at Suplizio Field was replaced and upgraded two years ago: **\$300,000.**

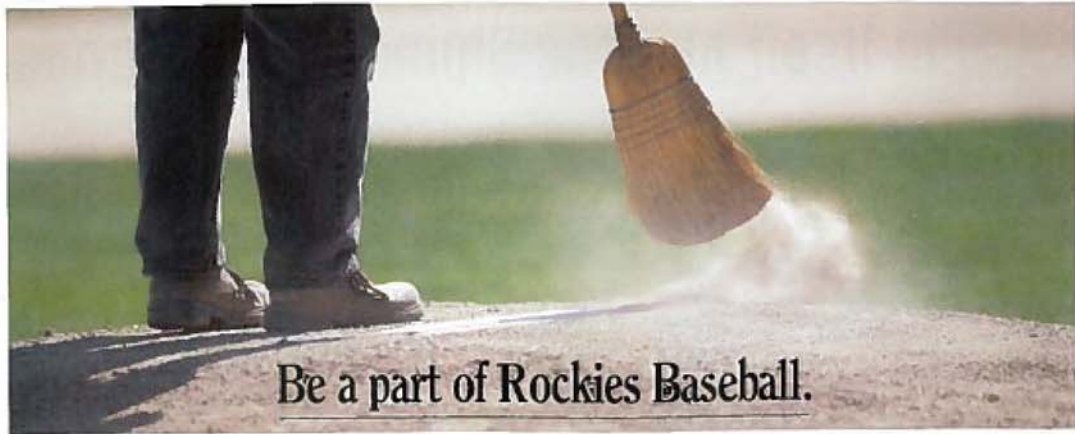


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# All You Ever Wanted To Know About JUCO But Were Afraid To Ask

By Ray Coca

Every year JUCO baseball teams roll into Grand Junction, Colorado, and individuals new to the area do not understand what is causing all the fuss.

Well, for starters, JUCO is the third largest event in the area next to the Rodeo and Country Jam. JUCO opens the Friday before Memorial Day with the pre-tournament banquet and games start play on Saturday.

Banquet speakers have been like an All-Star parade, with such baseball immortals as Willie Mays, Whitey Ford, Bob Gibson, Reggie Jackson, Tommy Lasorda, Joe Torre and Lefty Gomez.

The first pitch is thrown the following Saturday morning at 9 o'clock at Lincoln Park, on Suplizio Field, and the baseball marathon is off and running.

The JUCO (short for Junior College) Tournament involves one team from each of ten regions, who qualify from a variety of tournaments including league, state, district and then regional. They (teams) must win all of the tournaments in order to qualify for the national. One of the interesting aspects of the players is they do not know when to quit or when they are "out of a game" because that is how they qualified—"they never quit trying to win."

Because Grand Junction is such a large melting pot of people, newcomers usually pick the state (or regional area) from where they migrated, then proceed to follow that particular team.

If you are not tied to any particular team, the trick is to pick a team who will be around the longest, so you can attend all of their games. The players are very friendly and welcome any new fans because they are used to playing before a sparse crowd and truly appreciate all of the attention they receive from the 100,000 plus fans during the tournament.

So, whom do you pick? The Texans are always a good choice because they have won more JUCO titles than any other state and are now, the only state to qualify two teams. Stay with the year-round warm weather states such as Arizona, Tennessee, Florida and Georgia. If you pick a team from the east, please keep in mind that only one eastern team has ever won a JUCO title and that was Nassau Community College of Garden City, NY, in 1966, and teams from the northern region have never captured a title.

In addition, you can bet with your friends, that the California teams will not win a game (they are the only state which does not qualify and never has) during the tournament.

If the bracket is already out, and you know when the teams play, pick one of the teams in the winners' bracket who play the 7:30 p.m. game on Sunday. Why? Because they will be in Grand Junction (win or lose) for four days. The way the bracket is set up, the winner or loser does not play its next game until Tuesday, which means their pitching staff should be well rested.

Come prepared for long games because the pitching is not always strong and the offense uses aluminum bats. However, some strong pitchers have developed in junior college circles such as former JUCO players David Wells and Curt Schilling who were selected to the Major League All-Star team.

Scouts are looking for late bloomers on the mound because most of the high school phenomons are already selected in the Major League draft, then the rest of the hurlers are picked over by the NCAA Divisions, then the small colleges and what remains are the JUCO teams, looking for pitchers.

You can also bet that the teams in the finals will score more than ten runs in the finals and most likely, it will be played on Saturday night. Typically the teams are out of pitchers by the end of the week, and only one tournament has finished by Friday in the last 13 years.

Sam Suplizio Field is equivalent to most 'AAA' Minor League ball parks, and many thousands of dollars are poured into the facilities each year, mainly for improvements via the JUCO Committee.

If all of the press indicates that the 2000 JUCO World Series is going to be the 43rd annual, make a bet that it will be the 42nd annual held in Grand Junction. The first tournament ever held was in 1958 hosted by Miami, Oklahoma,.....consequently, it is the 43rd annual of JUCO and the 42nd held in Grand Junction.

When you are sitting in the stands exchanging JUCO trivia, you can ask the fans around you two questions, which they should not be able to answer (unless of course they are JUCO master trivia type fans):

**Question:** what do the states of Vermont, Nebraska, New Mexico, Nevada, Maine, Washington and Montana have in common with JUCO and how many championships have they won? None has ever won a tournament game in Grand Junction because none has ever qualified for JUCO. There are a few other states that have never qualified for JUCO, and you can look through the program to find the answers.

**Question:** How can the defensive team (in the field) record a triple play without touching the ball after a pitch is thrown? With no outs and two men on base, the batter hits a pop-up to the infield for the first out; the runner at first passes the runner at second for the second out and the ball hits the runner leaving second for the third out. Remember, the runners can advance at their own risk on the infield fly rule (with less than two outs, with runners on first and second or the bases loaded, the batter is out if the umpire determines the ball hit in the air will land in the infield).

Come prepared for cool evenings because JUCO week is traditionally cold and rainy late at night, and hot in the mid-afternoon. Get to the park early for the championship finals, or you will not find a seat; not even a bad seat. Some fans line up for the championship game four or five hours before the 7:30 p.m. start. Take your earphones and radio to the game because you will have a better account on what is going on; in addition, they play trivia and have many great prizes to give away! All of the 18 or 19 games are broadcast locally.

Which night is the best one to attend? Any night is great, but if you like fireworks, come to the late game on Memorial Day. Sorry teams, but the game will be stopped and the fireworks are discharged around 9 p.m. or when it gets dark. Alcohol is not allowed in the park as well as large coolers.

Last, but not least, you must remember that JUCO baseball is a family/social event and everyone who is anyone, will be seen at the ballpark. The children playing under the stands and the ones on the football side are out in force and noisy, but as one parent said: "At least I know where my children are and I'd just as soon have them at the ball game than anywhere else."





**EDITOR'S NOTE:** In an age when it is difficult to sell professional sports events, let alone a junior college or college event in a small market area, folks marvel at the continuing successful event in Grand Junction's JUCO World Series. For decades, visitors have been puzzled about the key to this extremely successful production. An integral part of the success has been, continues to be and in all likelihood will always be the efforts of countless Grand Valley citizens who are not in the media's spotlight. Following are a couple of examples identifying individuals who work hard behind the scenes to create one of the nation's best amateur sporting events.

## Cheerleaders

### Volunteers Are An Integral Ingredient To Continuing Success Of JUCO Tourney

By Dan MacKendrick

They are not playing their traditional role of cheering for the Wildcats, but Fruita Monument High School's Cheerleaders are displaying their award-winning spirit and contributing a major effort to help fill the stadium at Sam Suplizio Field with fans for the JUCO World Series. And they have been doing it for years, setting the pace for all area high schools in pre-tournament ticket sales. These young women have helped insure making this national event a major financial success through their well-organized ticket-selling campaign each spring.

Andy Rodriguez, tournament ticket chairman, said that the Fruita Cheerleaders play a huge role among the area high schools which sell about 40 percent of the combined total of 'Series ducats. The Fruita ladies out-distance all other sellers yearly. Rodriguez points to the Cheerleaders' team moms as the catalyst for the perennial success as leading sellers.

"The team moms just do a great job of organizing, coordinating, and setting up responsibilities and then follow through. There is no lapse as cheerleader's graduate; through the team moms, there are no transitional lapses.....that is the key to their consistency. The Fruita team consistently earns in the neighborhood of \$3,000.00 each year for their effort," continued Rodriguez, who was a former prep pitcher.



Current team moms are April Harrison and LeAnn Zetmeir who coordinate all the 'little details' which are so crucial in the overall success the Cheerleaders enjoy. "Reinventing" the strategy, these ladies meet with all the parents and cheerleaders to review the guidelines, lists of businesses, money-collecting process and record keeping.

LeeAnn developed a new form listing types of tickets, prices and number of tickets checked out so the final tabulation is accurate and easily processed. The tickets and money are returned to her office—Waddell and Reed—and at the end of the campaign, the entire group goes over the numbers before the final meeting with Rodriguez.

LeeAnn and April complement each other very well with April the driving force for sales and LeeAnn and her office staff, who pitch in whenever necessary, taking care of the details for accounting, money and tickets.

Ronda Clark, the cheerleaders' sponsor, says the girls get credit for their individual sales and that it is a great help in financing the expenses of uniforms and cheerleader camps. A few girls offset their entire expense each year. While Clark is very appreciative of the team moms' efforts, the moms feel while it may sound "Corny...it is the least we can do for someone who does so much for the girls."





## Welcome Visitors!

### "Tex" Tolman's Personal Touch Adds To The Total JUCO Experience

By Dan MacKendrick

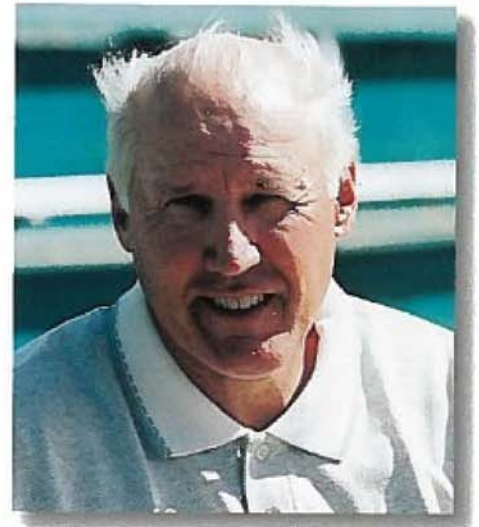
Imagine qualifying for the JUCO World Series in some community 2,000 miles from Grand Junction. Many tasks have to be completed in a short period of time—usually qualifiers have less than a week! When the team finally achieves its goal, going to a tournament to battle for the World Series title.....they realize it has been an exciting and grueling experience.

The team gets off the bus or plane; the coach and staff have arranged for lodging and food, and the team is ready to work out the kinks of the trip plus the anxiety of winning division and regional championship titles.

One of the most pleasant parts of the JUCO experience is next: meeting John "Tex" Tolman! Tex is there to meet the teams at the practice fields: Mesa State or Canyon View. Tex is a baseball person who not only greets the teams, he befriends the coaches, players and their families. Often he takes a coach or group to Grand Mesa...sometimes he even takes them fishing.

Tex, a JUCO committee member, starts his work 'way before he knows who's coming. He and his crew manicure the infields and make sure every need of the teams coming in is taken care of in advance. He personally constructed dugouts at the Canyon View site a couple of years ago. It is no small chore to work out a schedule accommodating all ten teams, and usually Tex takes care of teams' special needs for additional workouts when coaches feel they are necessary.

An all-tournament selection at Mesa Junior College (GJ) in 1963, Tex finished his collegiate career at the University of Utah before returning to Grand Junction where he currently owns and operates his own home construction business. When he is not building homes or working on JUCO, Tex can be found leading a group of boy Scouts, coaching a Little League team, working on one of the local baseball fields and occasionally slipping away for a few days of fishing or pheasant hunting.



**Tex Tolman ...**  
One of the most popular  
JUCO Committee members

The father of Tex, the late Jay Tolman, was instrumental in bringing the event to Grand Junction and served as the NJCAA secretary dating back to the 1950's.

*One area of agreement among those who discuss and argue about what is right and wrong about education today is the concept of the role parents can and should play in the process. The parental participation with Fruita's Cheerleaders has been identified as the key ingredient for their ticket-selling success. Tex Tolman's personal touch makes a big difference in how teams reflect on the JUCO World Series experience. It does not take much imagination to see how Tex' father, Hall of Famer Jay W. Tolman, influenced his son.*

Each year the JUCO Committee and The Daily Sentinel receive letters of thanks and congratulations for the wonderful tournament from players, coaches, parents, college presidents and others. Inevitably, somewhere in most messages, there is a special line telling how much they enjoyed the National Junior College World Series and "Be sure to give a special thanks and say hey to Tex!!"





## MYERS — OPPENHEIM — ZIMMERMAN Named To JUCO Baseball Hall of Fame



**EARNEST G. MYERS** – former athletic director and head baseball coach at C.S. Mott Community College, Flint, Michigan; coached at C.S. Mott from 1963 - 1990, winning 359 games while losing only 155. Myers won 8 Michigan Conference championships and made two trips to the JUCO World Series in Grand

Junction, CO, placing 5th in 1971 and 3rd in 1973. His team won the Sportsmanship Award at the 1973 championship. Myers served as a baseball clinician for the national teams of Canada, Holland, Belgium, Spain, Curacao, and St. Martens. He received Holland's highest baseball award in 1980.

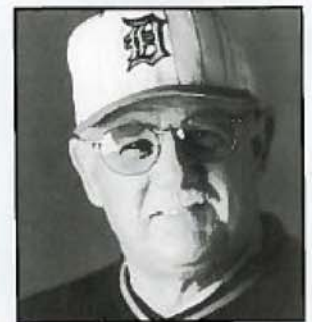


**RICK ZIMMERMAN** – head coach at Odessa College, Odessa, Texas; served as head coach at

Trinidad State JC (CO) for 12 years before moving to Odessa College; overall NJCAA coaching record stands at 886 wins and 371 losses over 21 years. Zimmerman was Region 9 Coach of the Year 10 times; Region 14 Coach of the Year 3 times; Assistant coach of the NJCAA All-Star Team in 1991 in Cuba; head coach of the NJCAA All-Star Team that played in Mexico in 1992; Assistant coach of the West team in the 1985 National Sports Festival. Rick currently serves as the Vice President of the NJCAA Baseball Coaches Association. Rick is a former JUCO player: Mesa State College, Grand Junction.

**ELLIOTT OPPENHEIM** - currently the head baseball coach at CC of Baltimore County, Dundalk Campus; previously served as head baseball coach at Baltimore City CC. Overall NJCAA record is 531 wins and 288 losses. Oppenheim also did a stint

at the University of Baltimore from 1978 - 81; was an NJCAA All-American player at Baltimore JC in 1961-62; Conference Coach of the year 10 times at Baltimore City College and Dundalk CC; Region Coach of the Year 5 times, District Coach of the Year 4



times. Oppenheim made two trips to the "JUCO World Series" in Grand Junction, CO and two trips to the NJCAA Division II World Series. He serves as a member of the Board of Directors of the NJCAA Baseball Coaches Association.

### Already Elected To The Hall Have Been:

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1	Alonzo Ruellas	C	6'1"	185	R/R	.352	F	04-02-81	El Paso
2	Justin Garcia	P	5'8"	150	L/L	5-2-3	S	03-14-80	Grand Prairie
3	Craig Bowser	OF/3B	5'9"	175	R/R	.300	S	10-08-79	Lufkin
4	Justin Davis	OF/2B	6'0"	195	R/R	.379	S	01-10-80	Farmington
7	Knick Davis	P	6'1"	170	R/R	0-0	S	12-20-78	Wichita
8	Cory Whitlock	SS	6'1"	165	R/R	.233	F	11-29-80	Desoto
10	Chase Lambin	3B	6'2"	190	S/R	.369	S	07-07-79	Houston
11	Chris Scarborough	P	6'1"	175	R/R	1-0	S	11-09-79	Garland
12	Adam Thomas	OF	6'1"	165	L/L	.328	S	12-07-79	Denison
13	Cedrick Robertson	OF	6'1"	185	R/R	.322	S	02-11-78	Garland
14	Brandon Shaw	P	6'4"	190	L/L	4-0	F	03-09-81	Cooper
15	Derrick Peoples	OF	6'1"	215	R/R	.318	S	02-06-78	Denton
16	Matt Thompson	C	6'1"	220	R/R	.222	F	04-09-80	Southlake
17	Kevin Thompson	2B	5'10"	185	R/R	.355	S	09-18-79	Ft. Worth
19	Brandon Fabey	SS	6'1"	160	L/R	.348	F	01-10-81	Duncanville
20	Carlos Hines	P	6'4"	190	R/R	2-1	F	09-26-80	Selma
21	Cory Horton	SS/OF	5'8"	145	R/R	.335	F	08-07-81	Sulphur Springs
22	Nathan Sturdivant	P	6'2"	185	P	5-2	S	09-18-79	Oklahoma City
23	Derrick Denman	P	6'3"	190	R/R	7-1-4	S	09-11-79	Eules
25	Craig Martel	P	6'4"	200	R/R	7-0	F	11-07-79	Lake Charles
26	Doug Lantz	P	6'1"	185	R/R	8-1-3	F	08-26-79	Southlake
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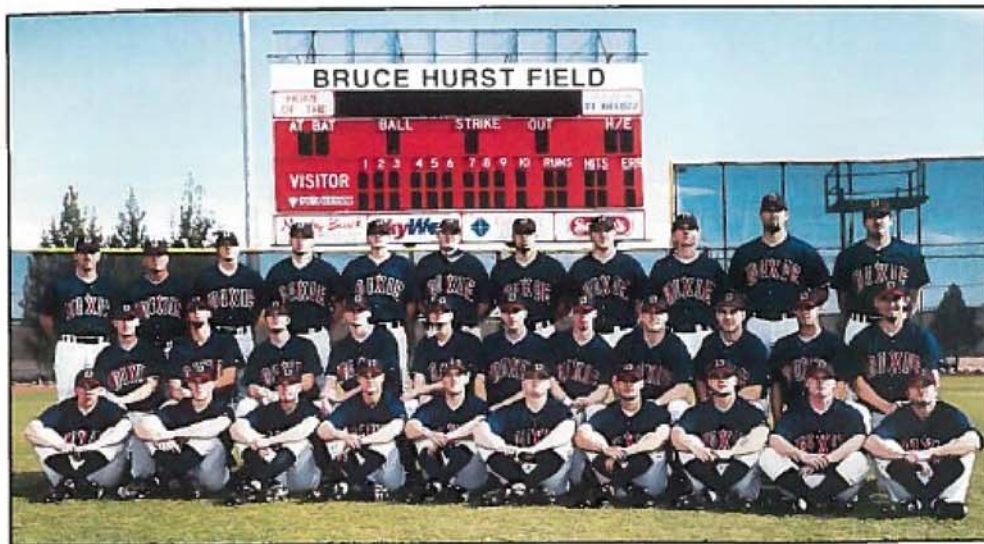
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1	Jared Colton	OF	6'0"	175	R/R		S		Sandy, UT
3	Trent Swallow	OF	5'9"	160	R/R		S		Taylorville, UT
4	Taylor Garrett	INF	5'10"	160	R/R		F		St. George, UT
5	Dan Polhamus	INF/P	6'0"	180	R/R		F		Taylorville, UT
7	Wallace Madsen	OF	6'4"	205	L/L		S		Salt Lake City, UT
8	Chris Nelson	C	5'8"	170	R/R		S		Sandy, Utah
9	Brandon Lyon	P/1B	6'1"	185	R/R		S		Taylorville, UT
11	Dallas Polarmo	INF	6'0"	170	R/R		S		Las Vegas, NV
14	Jeff Pitts	P	6'3"	215	L/L		F		Heber City, UT
15	Kade Boyer	INF	5'10"	175	R/R		F		Ogden, UT
16	Amos Burgess	OF	6'3"	205	R/R		F		Alpine, UT
17	Sean Mawhinney	P	6'2"	170	L/L		F		Sandy, UT
19	Chris Martinez	P	5'11"	185	R/R		S		Las Vegas, NV
20	J.R. Dimercurio	C/1B	6'4"	205	R/R		F		Highland Ranch, CO
21	Jason Gonzalez	INF/P	6'2"	200	R/R		S		Orem, UT
22	Phillip More	INF	5'10"	170	R/R		S		Cheyenne, WY
23	Tucker White	1B	6'0"	190	L/L		S		Sandy, UT
24	Ben Fox	OF/P	6'0"	170	S/L		F		Las Vegas, NV
28	Austin Berge	P	6'2"	190	L/L		F		Orem, UT
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	Anthony Mantico	INF	5'11"	180	R/R		S		Las Vegas, NV
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2	Kevin Banks	OF	6'0"	170	L/L	.328	S	11-02-79	Bellwood, IL
7	Lucas McKnight	C	6'0"	195	L/R	.416	S	02-19-80	Libertyville, IL
8	Grady Symonds	C	6'2"	180	R/R	.333	F	01-15-81	Buffalo Grove, IL
10	Pete Rasmusen	OF	5'9"	185	R/R	.362	F	10-30-80	McHenry, IL
11	Paul Sanchez	OF	6'0"	170	R/R	.311	S		Chicago, IL
12	Jared Koutnik	INF	6'2"	190	R/R	.313	S	11-09-79	Milwaukee, WI
14	Shawn Jacques	C	6'3"	200	L/L	.333	S	04-06-79	West Allis, WI
16	Chris Deleenheer	LHP	6'5"	230	L/L	2-0	F	05-21-79	Leawood, KS
18	Joe Ramirez	INF	5'10"	165	R/R	.375	F	04-13-80	Chicago, IL
20	Eric Perkins	RHP	5'11"	185	R/R	5-0	S	08-24-79	Bourbonnais, IL
21	Troy Doering	INF	5'10"	185	S/R	.356	F	09-10-79	Rhineland, WI
22	Pete Pirman	OF	6'0"	180	R/R	.345	S	06-25-79	Palatine, IL
23	Matt Krabbe	RHP	6'2"	185	R/R	3-2	S	11-09-80	Elgin, IL
26	Mike Mueller	RHP	6'4"	210	L/R	10-0	F	08-22-80	West Bend, WI
27	Dean Devine	INF	6'0"	175	R/R	.408	S	10-04-79	Seneca, IL
28	Len Montesano	OF	6'0"	185	L/L	.382	F	07-15-81	New York, NY
30	Jon Peacock	INF	6'1"	200	S/R	.445	F	08-23-79	Roselle, IL
31	Sam Shaw	LHP	6'1"	183	L/L	4-5	S	03-28-80	Lockport, IL
33	Eric Kraemer	OF	5'11"	195	L/L	.282	F	03-04-81	West Bend, IL
42	Mike Rolih	RHP	6'4"	200	R/R	5-1	S	11-06-80	Rockdale, IL

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NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	B-T	BA-PR	CLASS	D.O.B.	HOMETOWN
6	Matt McCleskey	IF	5'5"	140	R/R	.325	F	10-26-80	Hattiesburg, MS
7	Josh Raggio	IF	6'1"	145	R/R	.229	F	05-20-81	Raymond, MS
8	Barrett McCreary	IF	5'10"	170	R/R	.271	F	08-11-80	Slidell, LA
10	Antoin Gray	IF	5'9"	185	R/R	.358	F	05-19-81	Hattiesburg, MS
11	Temetric Thomas	IF	5'11"	180	R/R	.217	F	06-13-81	Starkville, MS
12	Ben Shannon	OF	6'0"	160	L/L	.306	F	02-24-81	Madison, MS
14	Martin LaRocca	P	6'0"	155	R/R	7-4	F	02-21-81	Metairie, LA
15	Curt McClellan	P	6'10"	155	R/R	3-0	F	08-01-81	Madison, MS
16	Daniel Stewart	P	6'3"	180	R/R	9-3	S	02-16-80	Collinsville, MS
17	Derek Miller	P	6'2"	165	L/L	4-1	F	12-30-80	Gulfport, MS
18	Robert Dagggett	IF	6'3"	190	L/L	.231	F	12-19-80	Meridian, MS
20	Travis Garner	OF	5'11"	180	R/R	.382	F	02-16-81	Sturgis, MS
21	Rory Thornton	OF	5'11"	175	L/L	.303	F	09-21-80	Amory, MS
22	Tyler Walker	IF	5'11"	210	R/R	.200	F	03-10-80	Natchez, MS
23	Casey Long	OF	6'0"	185	R/R	.333	S	06-09-78	Brandon, MS
24	Chris Knight	C	6'1"	210	R/R	.184	F	03-18-81	Toomsaba, MS
25	Brian Reed	P	6'1"	205	R/R	3-2	F	03-06-81	Amory, MS
26	Jason Rowan	P	6'2"	210	R/R	1-0	S	11-28-79	Lexa, AR
27	Josh Christian	IF	6'4"	220	R/R	.364	S	03-11-80	Clinton, MS
28	Allen Winningham	IF	6'1"	180	R/R	.378	S	03-07-80	Rainbow City, AL
31	Dustin Cliburn	IF	6'2"	215	R/R	.304	F	02-21-81	Jackson, MS
32	Anthony Rawson	P	5'11"	160	L/L	8-1	S	07-31-80	Kosciusko, MS
33	Justin Bounds	P	6'3"	210	L/L	7-3	F	07-11-81	Tupelo, MS
36	Jud Jones	P	6'2"	175	L/L	0-0	S	04-08-80	Columbus, MS
37	Rusty McDaniels	C	5'11"	197	R/R	.344	S	02-17-80	Centreville, MS
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NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	B-T	BA-PR	CLASS	D.O.B.	HOMETOWN
1	Willie Johnson	P/OF	5'8"	150	R/L		F	03-17-80	Neodesha, KS
2	Kevin Farmer	OF	5'10"	165	R/R	.457	S	03-28-80	Wichita, KS
3	Branden Stroth	OF	5'11"	175	L/R	.354	F	01-18-79	Topeka, KS
4	Justin Vanley	3B/2B/SS	5'9"	162	S/R	.238	S	04-06-80	Wichita, KS
5	Ryan Burdolski	P	5'10"	195	R/R		S	11-20-79	Lenexa, KS
6	John Lugo	2B	5'8"	161	R/R	.255	F	09-07-80	Junction City, KS
7	Donny Moore	SS/2B	6'1"	170	R/R	.256	F	03-02-79	Baton Rouge, LA
8	Craig Yocham	C/1B	6'0"	190	R/R	.274	S	02-25-79	Colony, KS
9	Jeff Sanford	1B	6'3"	225	R/R	.304	F	07-21-78	Houston, TX
10	Michael Shandler	IF/P	5'11"	175	R/R	.395	S	09-04-79	Topeka, KS
11	Kyle Peters	3B/P	5'11"	180	R/R	.394	F	01-10-81	Wichita, KS
12	Ryan Jakubov	SS	6'1"	160	R/R	.311	F	02-21-81	Maize, KS
13	William Polzin	P/C	5'11"	180	R/R		F	11-03-80	Wichita, KS
14	Clyde Shields	P	5'9"	170	L/L		F	03-24-81	Beggs, OK
15	Adam Honn	P	6'3"	193	L/L		F	09-12-80	Topeka, KS
16	Michael Poindexter	OF	6'4"	197	R/R	.227	S	08-28-79	Baldwin, KS
18	Ray White	P/SS	6'2"	187	R/R		F	10-04-80	Topeka, KS
19	Kyle Graham	1B	5'11"	210	R/R	.325	F	04-22-81	Rose, OK
20	Robert Burr	OF	5'10"	212	R/R	.300	F	10-03-80	Concord, NH
21	Jason Well	P	6'0"	155	R/R		F	10-19-78	Norman, OK
22	Brandon Pope	P	5'8"	170	L/L		S	11-09-79	Rose Hill, KS
23	Derek Santangelo	C	6'0"	200	R/R	.385	S	03-29-78	Baton Rouge, LA
24	Larry Branson	C	6'0"	180	R/R	.250	F	07-06-81	Begg, OK
25	Jeremy Mapes	P	5'11"	210	R/R		S	05-31-79	Newton, KS
28	Lance Kral	P	5'11"	150	R/L		S	07-29-80	Wichita, KS
29	William Rudd	P/OF/3B	5'9"	178	R/R		S	09-25-79	Ennis, TX
30	Brant Ansley	2B	5'8"	150	R/R	.435	F	04-20-81	Lamar, MO
31	Bobby Bartow	OF	5'11"	155	L/R	.304	F	02-03-81	Salina, KS
32	Kent Goodson	P	6'0"	160	L/L		F	09-19-80	Shawnee, KS

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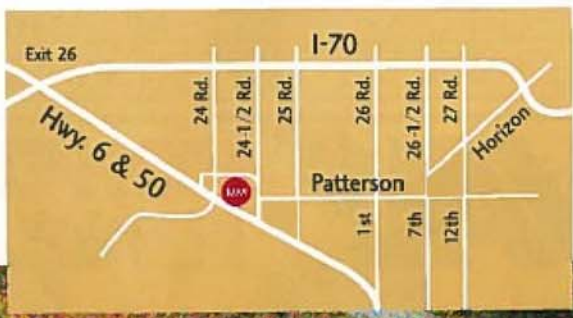
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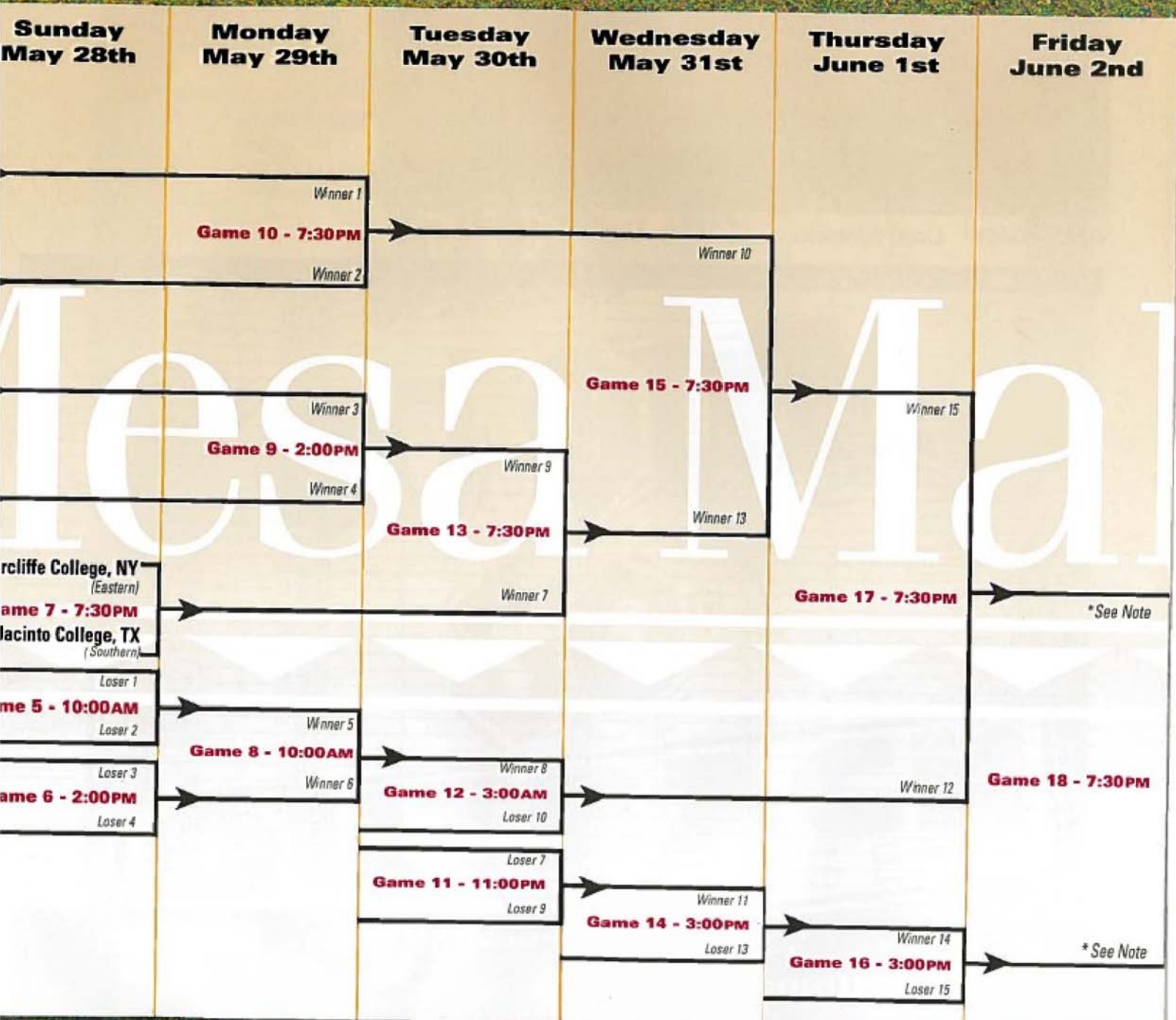
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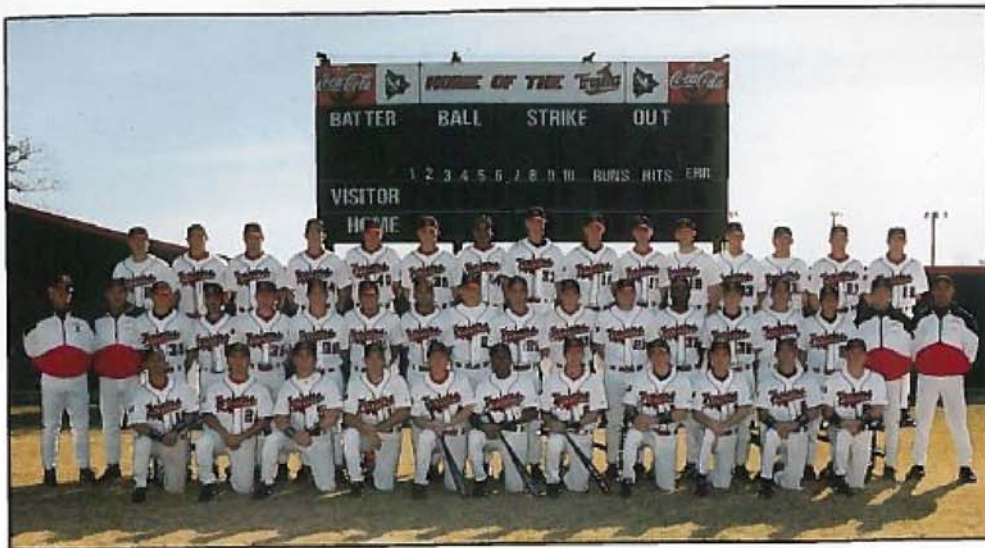
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NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	B-T	BA-PR	CLASS	D.O.B.	HOMETOWN
1	William Lewis Jr.	IF	5'10"	165	R/R		F	08-18-81	Texarkana, AR
2	Patrick Presley	SS	5'11"	160	R/R		F	01-24-81	Shawnee, OK
3	Chay Shockey	P	6'0"	165	R/L		F	01-21-81	Rattan, OK
4	Dustin Weaver	P	5'9"	165	R/R		S	08-15-80	Shawnee, OK
5	Chris Theriot	OF	5'9"	165	L/L		S	08-08-79	Beaumont, TX
6	Allen Clay	SS	5'11"	170	S/R		S	03-30-80	Rattan, OK
7	Reccie Willets	OF	5'10"	185	S/R		F	05-30-81	Fr. Cobb, OK
8	James Melancon	P	6'0"	190	R/R		F	01-13-81	Nederland, TX
9	Jeremy Rogers	C	5'11"	175	R/R		F	02-16-81	Morris, OK
10	Paul Hantrakul	IF	5'6"	165	R/R		F	03-20-81	Beaumont, TX
11	Jeremy Cannon	3B	5'10"	185	R/R		F	08-08-81	Baytown, TX
13	Jereme Haward	OF	6'0"	190	L/L		S	06-02-80	Nederland, TX
14	Robert Findlay	P	6'3"	190	R/R		F	10-14-80	Toronto, Ontario, Canada
16	Jacob Leba	OF	6'2"	200	L/R		S	10-13-79	Asher, OK
18	Tyler Beay	P	6'5"	210	R/R		F	02-12-81	Cashion, OK
19	Kyle Shoemaker	P	6'1"	180	R/L		F	09-15-80	Edmond, OK
20	Carlos Sanchez	IF	5'8"	175	L/R		S	04-12-77	Montreal, Quebec, Canada
21	Miguel Hernandez	IF	6'0"	195	R/R		S	08-05-80	Hato Rey, Puerto Rico
22	Scott Sanders	P	6'0"	205	R/R		F	11-08-80	Maud, TX
23	Doyle Idleman	IF	6'0"	195	R/L		S	08-05-79	Lone Grove, OK
24	Alberto Ramos	OF	5'11"	185	L/R		F	02-19-80	Luquillo, Puerto Rico
25	K.C. West	P	6'1"	190	R/R		F	01-07-81	Mesquite, TX
26	Brandon Norman	OF	6'0"	185	L/L		F	08-03-80	Purcell, OK
27	Blake McRay	C	6'2"	180	R/R		F	10-06-80	Baytown, TX
28	Joshua Ramos	P	6'0"	165	R/R		F	01-08-81	Midland, TX
29	Brendan Stafford	P	6'0"	160	R/R		F	10-09-80	Orleans, Ontario, Canada
30	Matt Pali	1B	6'2"	215	L/L		F	12-10-80	Houston, TX
31	Alex Groleau	P	6'2"	195	R/R		F	10-03-79	Longueville, Quebec, Canada
32	Chris Nauls	OF	6'0"	185	R/R		F	01-22-81	Houston, TX
33	Adam LaRoche	1B	6'3"	185	L/L		S	11-06-79	Fl. Scott, KS
34	Paul Powell, IV	OF	6'2"	200	R/R		S	12-26-79	Cushing, OK
35	Sam Cone	OF	6'3"	220	L/R		F	03-04-81	Tulsa, OK
36	Curry Ham	P	5'11"	185	L/L		F	08-17-80	Woodward, OK
37	Charles Tasiaux	P	6'6"	215	L/R		F	08-29-80	Cap Rouge, Quebec, Canada
38	Kenneth Mackey	C/OF	5'11"	180	R/R		F	10-22-80	Asher, OK
39	Gary Adair	P	6'0"	180	L/L		F	08-16-79	Muskogee, OK
40	Brandon Hart	P	6'3"	215	R/R		F	04-27-81	Lawton, OK
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1	Josh Veres	SS	5'9"	145	R/R	.280	F	12-14-80	Jacksonville, FL
2	Shaun Andrew	2B	6'0"	165	R/R	.262	S	10-17-78	Jacksonville, FL
3	Greg Nissen	P	6'0"	175	L/R	6-5	S	04-07-80	Fernandina Beach, FL
5	Josh Kitterman	P	5'9"	188	R/R	6-1	S	09-14-79	Dunedin, FL
7	Randy Hart	C/INF	5'9"	170	R/R	.143	F	04-02-81	Seminole, FL
8	Sean Light	P	5'9"	170	L/R	0-0	F	01-12-79	Kingston, Ontario
9	Clint Chauncey	C	6'0"	170	R/R	.351	F	01-01-81	Jacksonville, FL
10	Alex Crews	P	6'0"	150	R/R	0-0	F	09-24-81	St. Augustine, FL
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16	Braxton Fernald	P	6'3"	195	L/R	12-2	S	04-02-80	Live Oak, FL
17	Alden Watson	OF	5'10"	175	L/R	.271	S	11-26-79	Jacksonville, FL
18	Josh Todd	SS	6'3"	185	R/R	.278	F	12-10-80	Henderson, KY
19	Ricky Willis	OF	6'1"	195	R/R	.310	S	11-20-79	St. Augustine, FL
20	Adam Lingenfelter	P	6'4"	195	R/R	8-3	S	11-21-79	Gainesville, FL
21	Steve Bowerman	P	6'1"	190	R/R	3-5	S	10-26-79	Jacksonville, FL
22	Garris Gonce	C	6'0"	200	R/R	.302	S	09-08-79	Orange Park, FL
23	Alex Elfison	P	5'10"	185	R/R	0-0	S	11-02-79	Orlando, FL
24	Matt Brockway	OF	6'4"	190	R/R	.269	S	09-23-79	Stuart, FL
25	Brad Buckner	1B	6'2"	200	L/L	.333	S	07-04-79	Jacksonville, FL
26	Paul Newman	3B	6'0"	186	R/R	.219	F	01-20-81	Jacksonville, FL
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00	Tobias Kelley	OF	5'10"	170	R/R	.313	F	10-19-00	Huntsville, AL
3	Joshua Arteaga	IF	5'9"	163	R/R	.443	S	03-14-80	Homestead, FL
5	Travis Moore	OF	6'0"	176	L/L	.331	S	01-11-80	Tullahoma, TN
7	Dustin Hazlett	IF	6'1"	180	L/L	.375	F	11-18-80	Lewisburg, TN
8	Marvin Francis	OF	5'10"	180	R/R	.353	F	05-08-80	Plantantation, FL
9	Will Vaughn	OF/P	5'11"	160	L/L	.263	S	09-30-80	Eagleville, TN
11	Ashley Morgan	IF	5'11"	167	R/R	.350	F	12-22-80	Lewisburg, TN
12	Brad Basham	P	6'0"	190	R/R	8-3	S	12-12-79	Duhlap, TN
13	Nathan Grosch	P	6'0"	173	L/R	0-0	F	09-21-81	Manchester, TN
14	Jeremy Brown	IF	5'9"	135	R/R	.462	F	03-19-81	Shelbyville, TN
15	Steven Morris	IF	6'0"	173	R/R	.400	S	04-23-80	McMinnville, TN
16	Justin Nolen	P	5'10"	170	L/L	7-0	F	7-19-81	Ooltewah, TN
18	Brad White	OF	5'9"	170	R/R	.255	S	04-01-80	Lawrenceburg, TN
21	Joel Navarro	OF	5'11"	159	R/R	.419	S	10-01-80	Homestead, FL
22	Andy Blackwell	P	6'3"	189	L/R	1-0	S	09-01-79	Chapel Hill, TN
23	Adam Crum	IF	6'0"	185	R/R	.238	F	05-12-81	Huntsville, AL
24	Josh Reese	P	6'1"	190	R/R	3-1	S	03-31-79	Fayetteville, TN
25	Daniel Pery	P	6'1"	241	R/R	6-3	F	11-07-79	Gallatin, TN
26	Kenneth McGaha	OF	6'2"	200	R/R	.273	F	12-04-80	Lenoir City, TN
27	Randall Brown	P	6'1"	210	R/R	2-2	F	09-01-80	Lenoir City, TN
28	Rocky Evans	P	6'1"	205	R/R	9-0	F	03-01-81	Chattanooga, TN
29	Zwch Henderson	C	6'0"	209	R/R	.286	F	08-13-80	McDonald, TN
30	Robert Hazard	IF	5'11"	200	R/R	.250	S	09-15-79	Tullahoma, TN
31	Luke Vanwinkle	C	6'4"	235	R/R	.341	F	05-28-80	Tullahoma, TN
34	Dustin Smith	P	6'0"	210	R/R	1-0	F	08-27-79	Murfreesboro, TN
35	Wade Vincent	C	6'0"	198	R/R	.380	S	03-08-80	Estill Springs, TN
38	Derek Gagy	IF	6'4"	240	R/R	.296	F	10-16-80	Adamsville, TN



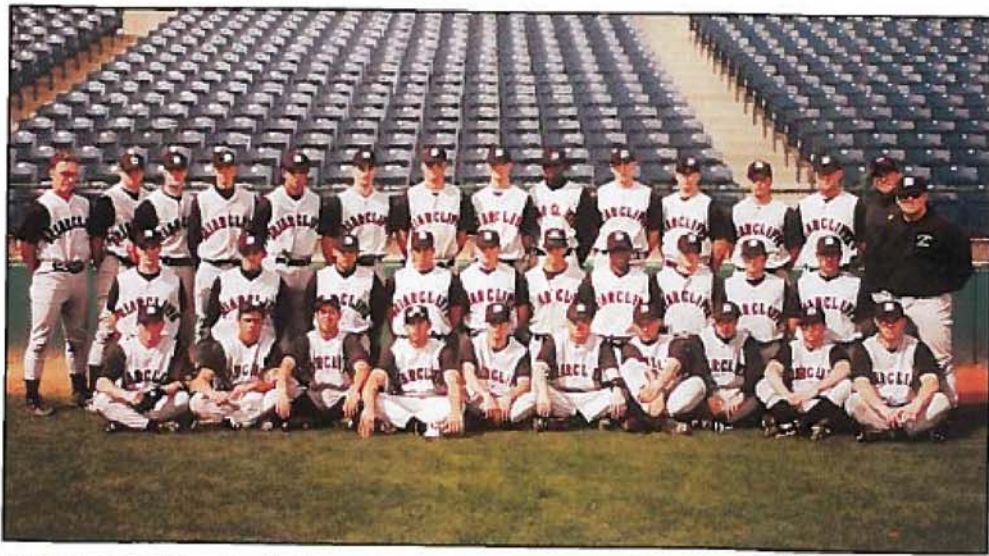
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NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	B-T	BA-PR	CLASS	D.O.B.	HOMETOWN
00	Johnnie Mazzeo	RHP	6'2"	190	R/R	5-3	F	1982	Ontario, Canada
3	Mike Sweeney	SS	5'11"	180	R/R	.166	S	1981	Westbury, NY
4	Brian Dorsey	RHP	6'2"	163	R/R	6-1	S	1981	Smithtown, NY
6	Steve Graham	SS	5'11"	180	L/R	.423	S	1981	Denver, CO
7	Frank Conte	2B	5'9"	170	R/R	.398	F	1982	Bronx, NY
8	Darren Ciraco	OF	6'3"	205	R/R	.396	F	1982	Pelem, NY
9	Pete Recupero	3B	6'0"	185	L/R	.274	S	1977	Smithtown, NY
12	Sean Briathwaite	DH	6'2"	195	R/R	.356	S	1981	Centermoriches, NY
13	Brian Huber	OF	5'8"	175	L/R	.296	S	1981	Bayport, NY
15	Ray Down	OF	6'0"	205	R/R	.411	F	1982	Westchester, NY
18	Rob Sandora	3B	6'0"	185	L/R	.366	F	1982	W. Babolyn, NY
19	David Rivera	LHP	5'10"	170	L/L	0-0	S	1980	Central Islip, NY
20	Bill Graiser	OF	6'2"	190	R/R	.455	F	1981	Miller Place, NY
22	David Castellano	LHP	5'10"	175	-/L	3-3	S	1981	
23	Chris Chenard	RHP	5'10"	175	-/R	11-1	S	1975	Quebec, Canada
24	Andrew Edwards	RHP	6'6"	205	R/R	5-4	F	1982	Jamacia, NY
33	Jeff Flegler	1B	6'5"	235	R/R	.444	F	1981	Gloucester, NJ
36	Mike Pelcher	LHP	6'1"	190	L/L	3-0	S	1981	Levittown, NY
38	Augusto Garcia	2B	5'10"	190	R/R	.276	S	1981	Bronx, NY
39	Nick Matte	C	5'10"	180	L/R	.326	F	1982	Quebec, Canada
53	Ivan Hall	C	6'4"	215	R/R	.318	F	1982	British Columbia, Canada
54	Mark Kipybida	RHP	6'4"	210	R/R	0-0	S	1979	Central Islip, NY
98	Anthony Caban	RHP	6'2"	215	R/R	3-4	F	1982	Bronx, NY
99	Fred Polchinski	RHP	6'3"	220	R/R	0-0	S	1979	Patchouge, NY
	Kyle Patten	RHP	6'2"	215	R/R	0-0	F	1981	Briarcliffe, NY

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NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	B-T	BA-PR	CLASS	D.O.B.	HOMETOWN
2	Robert Wade	OF	6'1"	175	R/R	.383	F	03-01-81	Humble, TX
3	Cody Farr	C	5'11"	175	R/R	.356	S	01-23-80	Humble, TX
4	Glenn Bott	P	5'11"	170	L/L	8-3	F	09-17-81	Scott, LA
5	Richard Vela	P	5'11"	175	R/R	4-1	S	09-15-79	Spring, TX
8	Drew Rogers	OF	5'11"	200	R/R	.341	F	02-26-81	Austin, TX
9	Justin Ruchti	C	6'2"	195	R/R	.323	F	12-11-80	Houston, TX
10	Chris Spencer	P	6'4"	220	R/R	4-3	F	10-12-80	Humble, TX
12	Zack Parker	P	6'2"	210	L/L	8-1	F	08-19-81	Austin, m TX
14	Joey Zigal	2B	6'0"	185	R/R	.317	F	09-26-80	Cedar Park, TX
15	Tony Palazzolo	1B	6'1"	200	L/L	.308	F	08-28-79	Katy, TX
16	Jesse Floyd	P	6'6"	185	R/R	8-5	F	01-02-81	Nederland, TX
17	Aaron Schroeder	SS	5'10"	200	R/R	.319	S	11-30-79	Deer Park, TX
18	Pat Holmes	1B	6'0"	205	L/L	.323	F	02-08-80	Baytown, TX
19	Travis Dean	3B	6'0"	205	R/R	.312	S	06-27-79	Point Blank, TX
21	Brad Abraham	OF	5'10"	185	R/R	.350	S	03-16-77	Houston, TX
22	Jesse Crain	SS/P	6'1"	185	R/R	.281/1-0	F	07-05-81	Louisville, CO
23	Kevin Theiss	3B	6'1"	210	R/R	.440	F	09-20-80	Spring, TX
25	Aaron Gureckis	OF	6'1"	180	L/R	.304	F	05-17-80	Nashua, NH
29	Brad Chambers	P	6'4"	200	R/R	4-0	S	11-23-79	Naps, CA
33	Patrick Penry	OF	6'0"	195	R/R	.350	F	11-25-79	Rosharon, TX
39	Clifton Fisher	P	6'4"	195	R/R	2-0	F	03-12-81	New Braunfels, TX
43	Kory Koehler	C	6'0"	205	R/R	.000	F	07-12-79	North Bay, NY
44	Russ Stoker	P	6'3"	195	R/R	2-1	F	12-09-80	Humble, TX

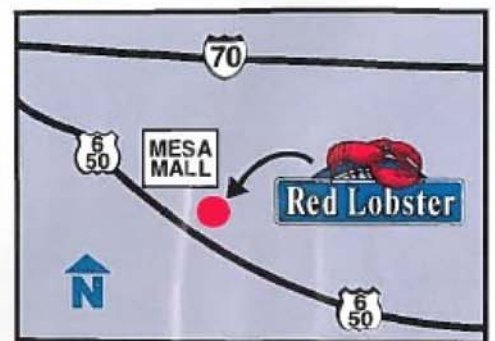


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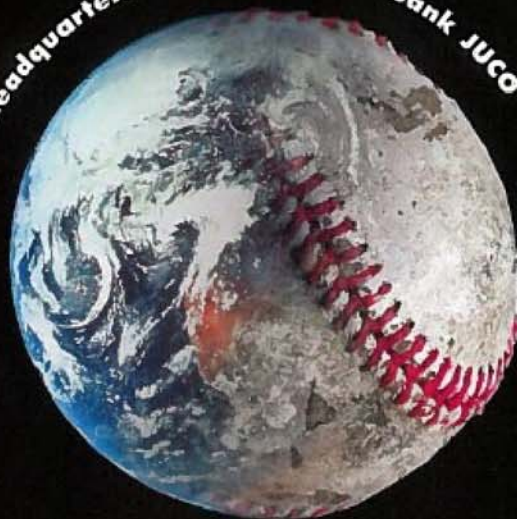
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## Reviewing Yesteryear's Champions 1993 - 1999

**1999** — Grayson County College of Denison, Texas won its first ever Alpine Bank JUCO World Series by sweeping through the ten team field undefeated. Grayson had the prime spot in the bracket, playing Sunday night, but averaged 9.4 runs per game to overwhelm the opposition. The Vikings became the first team in the history of the tournament to play against a foe from their own state in the finale, San Jacinto, Texas.

**1998** — Cowley County Kansas became only the fifth team in National Junior College World Series history to win two consecutive championships. Coach Dave Burroughs (same as last year) suffered one loss but strong depth, experience and a good draw in the bracket helped the Tigers successfully defend their title.

**1997** — Cowley County Community College of Arkansas, Kansas, played six consecutive games in Grand Junction, including three in the losers' bracket, to claim National Junior College honors. The Tigers, under Head coach Dave Burroughs, upended Seminole State of Oklahoma 4-2 in the finals and finished 5-1 overall.

**1996** — It was the first trip to Grand Junction for Coach Ty Harrington and his team made the most of it as the Eagles of Northeast Texas Community College won top honors. The Eagles lost their first game to Meridian, MS 13-4 on Wednesday but rebounded to defeat Arizona Western 11-1 on Friday, and avenged the loss to Meridian with a 4-3 decision in the finale.

**1995** — Middle Georgia did not start the tournament the way Coach Robert Sapp wanted but they finished strong and won the JUCO World Series by stopping a talented Indian River team 11-6 in the finals. Middle Georgia dropped its opener on Saturday 6-5 to Allegany but then played it one game at a time to win five straight. Coach Sapp was inducted into the JUCO Hall of Fame, prior to the tournament and then went out to prove why.

**1994** — The Whitecaps from Galveston, Texas won the 1994 JUCO World Series by nipping second year finalist Triton College of River Grove, Illinois 10-9. Triton defeated Galveston 8-4 on Friday night to push the tourney into the extra day, but the Texas team held on to win the final contest to turn the Trojans away from the title the second year in a row. Triton was making its eighth appearance in Grand Junction while Galveston made its second trip to Colorado and has only fielded a baseball team for three years.

**1993** — The 1993 JUCO Tournament was an exciting one for the fans and when the smoke had cleared, Yavapai College of Prescott, Arizona had defeated Triton College of River Grove, Illinois 6-3 for the national title. Coach Dave Dangler used everything from the bunt to the long ball to guide the Roughriders to a 4-1 mark and stay atop the field. Triton handed Yavapai its only setback 13-10 to take the tournament into a suspenseful Saturday night finale. It was Yavapai's third march down championship lane after winning titles in 1975 and 1977.





## JUCO Tourney Players Who Have Advanced To The Major Leagues

The Program Committee has assembled a list of players who have participated in the JUCO World Series and who have played on a Major League baseball team. There are 75 such JUCO players who have played in the Major Leagues. The definition of a Major League player is: to have played in a regular season game for any Major League team. If you know of any player who is not listed, please contact Ray Coca (970) 243-0504, with information which includes the college and which year. The list below includes when the individual played in Grand Junction and the first team/year he reached the Major Leagues.

Jim Brenneman	Mesa (CO)	1960-61	N.Y. Yankees	1965	David Wells	Middle Georgia	1982	Toronto	1987
Floyd Weaver	Paris J.C. (TX)	1961	Cleveland	1962	Steve Peters	Seminole (OK)	1982	St. Louis	1987
Pete Loverich	Mesa (CO)	1961	Kansas City A's	1963	Mike Dewereaux	Mesa (AZ)	1982	L.A. Dodgers	1987
Paul Dicken	Manatee (FL)	1963	Cleveland	1964	David Johnson	Baltimore (MD)	1982	Pittsburgh	1987
Oscar Zamora	Miami-Dade (FL)	1964	Chicago Cubs	1974	Lance Johnson	Triton (IL)	1982-83	St. Louis	1987
Barry Lersch	Mesa (CO)	1964	Philadelphia	1969	Alex Diaz	Middle Georgia	1982-83	Milwaukee	1992
Gary Gentry	Phoenix (AZ)	1965-66	N.Y. Mets	1969	Mike Fitzgerald	Middle Georgia	1983	N.Y. Mets	1983
Tom Robson	Phoenix (AZ)	1965	Texas Rangers	1974	Jay Buhner	McClennan (TX)	1983	N.Y. Yankees	1987
Kurt Bevacqua	Miami-Dade (FL)	1966-67	Cleveland	1971	Ken Patterson	McClennan (TX)	1983	Chicago White Sox	1988
Rich Folkers	Elsworth (NC)	1966	N.Y. Mets	1970	Dwight Smith	Spartanburg (SC)	1983	Chicago Cubs	1989
Bob Stinson	Miami-Dade (FL)	1966	L.A. Dodgers	1969	Ray Stephens	Middle Georgia	1983	St. Louis	1990
Gerald Pintle	Bacone (OK)	1967	Montreal Expos	1979	Jeff Reboulet	Triton (IL)	1983	Minnesota	1992
John Grubb	Manatee (FL)	1968	San Diego	1972	Shawn Hillegas	Middle Georgia	1984	L.A. Dodgers	1987
Ron Cash	Manatee (FL)	1968	Detroit Tigers	1973	Jim Leyritz	Middle Georgia	1984	N.Y. Yankees	1990
Dave Mates	Manatee (FL)	1968	Texas Rangers	1974	Kevin Ritz	Indian Hills (IA)	1985	Detroit Tigers	1989
Steve Foucault	Southern Georgia	1969	Texas Rangers	1973	Gil Heredia	Pima (AZ)	1985	San Francisco	1992
Pat Darcy	Mesa (AZ)	1969	Cincinnati	1974	Mike James	Santa Fee (FL)	1985	California Angels	1995
Roy Staiger	Bacone (OK)	1969	N.Y. Mets	1975	Nathan Hurst	Spartanburg (SC)	1986	Montreal	1992
Doug Ault	Panola (TX)	1969-70	Texas Rangers	1976	Curt Schilling	Yavapai (AZ)	1986	Baltimore	1988
Jim Otten	Mesa (AZ)	1970-71	Chicago White Sox	1975	Doug Lindsey	Seminole (OK)	1987	Philadelphia	1991
John Tamaro	Miami-Dade (FL)	1971	St. Louis	1977	Rick Williams	Florida C.C. (FL)	1987	Chicago Cubs	1991
Dave Collins	Mesa (AZ)	1972	California Angels	1975	Rheal Cormier	C.C. Rhode Island	1988	St. Louis	1991
Bill Nahorodny	St. Clair (MI)	1972	Philadelphia	1976	Chad Curtis	Cochise (AZ)	1988	California	1992
Rick Langford	Manatee (FL)	1972	Pittsburgh	1976	Jesse Hoffins	San Jacinto (TX)	1989	Chicago Cubs	1992
Donnie Moore	Ranger (TX)	1973	Chicago Cubs	1975	Albie Lopez	Mesa (AZ)	1990	Cleveland	1993
Pat Putman	Miami-Dade (FL)	1974	Texas Rangers	1975	Gary Ingram	Middle Georgia	1990	L.A. Dodgers	1994
John Butcher	Yavapai (AZ)	1979-80	Texas Rangers	1980	Kelly Stinnett	Seminole (OK)	1990	N.Y. Mets	1994
Tommy Dunbar	Middle Georgia	1979-80	Texas Rangers	1983	Shane Halter	Seminole (OK)	1990	Kansas City	1997
Oris Nixon	Louisburg (NC)	1979	N.Y. Yankees	1983	Frank Rodriguez	Howard (TX)	1991	Boston	1995
Craig McMurry	McClennan (TX)	1980	Atlanta Braves	1983	Mark Grudzielanek	Trinidad (CO)	1991	Montreal	1995
Earnie Riles	Middle Georgia	1980	Milwaukee	1985	Steve Kline	Allegany (MD)	1991	Cleveland	1997
Jeff Treadway	Middle Georgia	1980	Cincinnati	1987	Jason Dickson	N.E. Okla. A&M	1991	California Angels	1996
Jack Howell	Pima (AZ)	1981	California Angels	1985	George Arias	Pima (AZ)	1992	California Angels	1996
Nelson Santovenia	Miami-Dade (FL)	1981	Montreal Expos	1988	Chad Fornville	Louisburg (NC)	1992	Montreal	1995
Keith Miller	Seminole (OK)	1981-82	Philadelphia	1988	Rafael Carmona	Indian Hills (IA)	1993	Seattle	1995
Jose Tolentino	Seminole (OK)	1981-82	Houston Astros	1991	Jose Rosado	Galveston (TX)	1994	Kansas City Royals	1996
Kirby Puckett	Triton (IL)	1982	Minnesota	1984	Ryan Franklin	Seminole (OK)	1992	Seattle Mariners	1999
Kal Daniels	Middle Georgia	1982	Cincinnati	1986					

## Major League Rosters Feature 18 Former JUCO Players in 2000

Included on the 2000 rosters of 15 Major League teams are 18 former JUCO World Series Tournament participants. Individual players are listed according to positions, when they played in Grand Junction and which teams they played for in the tournament.

### ANAHEIM ANGELS -

Jason Dickson/RHP, 1991 Northeastern Oklahoma, A&M (OK)

### ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS -

Kelly Stinnett/C, 1990 Seminole Junior College (OK)

### BOSTON RED SOX -

Rheal Cormier/LHP, 1988 Community College of Rhode Island

### DETROIT TIGERS -

Shane Halter/IF, 1990 Seminole Junior College (OK)

### KANSAS CITY ROYALS -

Jose Rosado/LHP, 1994 Galveston College (TX)

Jeff Reboulet/IF, 1983 Triton College (IL)

### LOS ANGELES DODGERS -

Mark Grudzielanek/IF, 1991 Trinidad State Junior College (CO)

### MONTREAL EXPOS -

Steve Kline/LHP, 1991 Allegany Community College (MD)

### NEW YORK YANKEES -

Jim Leyritz/C, 1984 Middle Georgia College (GA)

Lance Johnson/OF, 1982-83 Triton College (IL)

### OAKLAND A'S -

Gil Heredia/RHP, 1985 Pima Community College (AZ)

### PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES -

Curtis Schilling/RHP, 1986 Yavapai College (AZ)

### SEATTLE MARINERS -

Jay Buhner/OF, 1983 McLennan Community College (TX)

Frank Rodriguez/RHP, 1991 Howard College (TX)

### ST. LOUIS CARDINALS -

Mike James/RHP, Santa Fee Community College (FL)

### TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS -

Albie Lopez/RHP, 1992 Mesa Community College (AZ)

### TEXAS RANGERS -

Chad Curtis/OF, 1988 Cochise College (AZ)

### TORONTO BLUE JAYS -

David Wells/LHP 1982 Middle Georgia (GA)



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## Most Valuable Players (1993-1999)

**1999** — Grayson County (Texas) College left-hander Matt Gawer only had two pitching victories during the JUCO World Series but both were against the second best team in the tournament: San Jacinto North! Grayson finished undefeated in the seven-day affair, and the 6-4, 230-pounder handed San Jacinto its only two losses....the second one for the championship.

**1998** — For the second straight year, a Cowley County player was voted the most valuable player as Josh McMillen won the honor. The 6' sophomore from Clearwater, KS, batted .412, hit two homers, three doubles and drove in two runs during the championship game to propel the Tigers to a second straight crown.

**1997** — Travis Hafner was a hero for Cowley County Kansas in the finals of the JUCO Tournament as the 6' 3", 215 pounder from Sykeston, ND, hit a three-run homer to defeat Seminole 4-2. During the tournament, the first baseman hit .328, knocked in ten runs, walked six times, and scored five runs.

**1996** — Not only did Robert Vaz have a "quick smile and warm demeanor," but he also carried a 'big stick.' The 185-pound sophomore from Northeast Texas won the Big Stick Award, .579; Sportsmanship Award; made the All Tournament team, and of course, was voted MVP of the tournament, plus his team won the National Championship. Not a bad week for someone who fought his way out of a drug-infested Brooklyn neighborhood.

**1995** — Brian Davis of Middle Georgia saved the best for last as the 6-1, 190 pound sophomore helped his team to the championship by pounding out three hits and four RBI's in the finale against Indian River. During the tournament, the outfielder tied a record with five doubles, scored eight runs, batted .481, pitched a complete game, hit two home runs (both in the championship) and had a total of seven RBI's.

**1994** — Jose Rosado of the national champion Galveston College Whitecaps was the MVP

award winner. The 6-0, 165-pound native of Dorado, P.R., was 2-0 as a pitcher in 17 2/3 innings plus recorded the save in the final game and drove in two runs. During the tournament, Rosado batted .500 and knocked in four runs. Rosado, who also played center field, was drafted by Kansas City of the American League during the JUCO Tournament. The Robert Purkey Most Valuable Pitcher award was also given to the lefthander.

**1993** — Kevin Pitts of Triton won almost every post-tournament award possible, but the championship eluded the Illinois team. The 6-3, 195-pound sophomore hit .461, had 11 RBI's, five home runs, scored 11 times and finished with 12 hits. Pitts led his team into the championship game with his offensive prowess but experienced an exceptional tournament at first base, where he was voted the outstanding defensive player and named to the all-tournament team. After the tournament, Pitts was assigned to a rookie camp in Vero Beach, Florida to be evaluated by the Dodgers who drafted him.





# Pro Baseball Teams Assigning Former JUCO Players As Coaches

By JOHN A. YBARRA

Grand Junction's JUCO World Series has produced many Major League (ML) players during its 41 year run, with some individuals returning as coaches and managers after their playing days were over.

Following are brief profiles of seven former JUCO players who are participating as coaches/managers at the professional level during the 2000 baseball season.

## DAVE COLLINS, 1972, Mesa Community College, AZ

Last year, Collins became the third JUCO player to reach the Majors both as a player and coach. The first was Tom Robson followed in 1999 by John Tamargo and Rick Langford.

Dave was the first base coach of the 96-67 Cincinnati Reds during the 1999 season and will return for the 2000 season.

During his 14-year ML career, he played for the Angels, Mariners, Reds, Yankees, Blue Jays, Athletics and Tigers.

## RICK LANGFORD, 1972, Manatee Junior College, FL

Langford was named by the Toronto Blue Jays to be their pitching coach for the 2000 season after coaching in all three levels of minor league baseball.

Playing ten years in the Majors, Langford pitched for the Pirates and the Athletics.

## TOM ROBSON, 1965, Phoenix College, AZ

Robson returns for his second stint as hitting coach for the Mets' 2000 season after holding the same position for the Rangers during the early development of Juan Gonzalez and Ivan Rodriguez.

Robson reached the ML in 1974 with the Rangers after leading the Phoenix Bears to their third JUCO championship.

## JOHN TAMARGO, 1971, Miami-Dade Community College North, FL

Tamargo was promoted to the ML after an outstanding 1998 season when he piloted his team to both the Pacific Coast League and Class 'AAA' World Series championship titles!

During 1976-1980, he played for the Cardinals, Giants and Expos as a catcher.

## SCOTT MAKAREWICZ, 1986, Grand Rapids Junior College, MI

Houston has chosen Makaewicz to be the hitting coach of its Martinsville, VA; Astros farm club of the Class 'A' Rookie Appalachian League. Last season, he was a hitting coach for the first time at baseball's pro level for the Class 'A' Kissimmee, FL Cobras.

Makarewicz retired as a player in 1998 and was a catcher with the Jackson, MS Generals in the Class 'AA' Texas league.

## DWIGHT SMITH, 1983, Spartanburg Methodist College, South Carolina

The Tampa Bay Devil Rays have selected Smith to be the 2000 season hitting coach of Class 'A' affiliate, Charleston, SC, RiverDogs of the South Atlantic League.

Smith spent eight years in the Majors playing for the Cubs, Angels, Orioles and Braves. In 1993, he became the Cubs' all-time pinch-hit leader with 50.

## JEFF TREADWAY, 1980, Middle Georgia College, GA

Treadway will return as Manager of the Macon, GA, Braves of the South Atlantic League for the 2000 season, which is a Class 'A' farm club of the Braves.

As an infielder, Treadway played nine years in the ML with the Reds, Braves, Indians and Dodgers. In 1994, while with the Dodgers, he thrived on road games by batting .357.

In 1980, Jeff along with future Major Leaguers Tommy Dunbar and Earnie Riles helped Middle Georgia capture their second straight JUCO World Series team championship.

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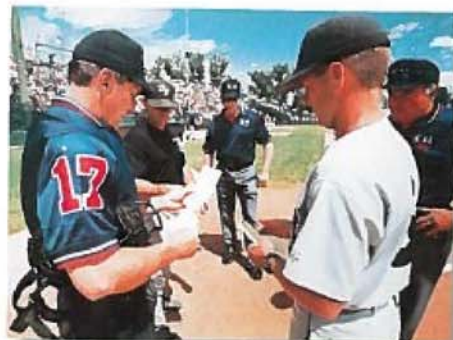
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- I.** Tournament Umpires are instructed to keep games moving and will strictly enforce charged conference/ pitcher removal rules.
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1958	Cameron College, Oklahoma
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1967	Bacone, Oklahoma
1968	Glendale Community College, Arizona
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1973	Ranger Junior College of Ranger, Texas
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1975	Yavapai College of Prescott, Arizona
1976	Central Arizona College of Casa Grande, Arizona
1977	Yavapai College of Prescott, Arizona
1978	Ranger Junior College of Ranger, Texas
1979	Middle Georgia of Cochran, Georgia
1980	Middle Georgia of Cochran, Georgia
1981	Miami-Dade South of Miami, Florida
1982	Middle Georgia of Cochran, Georgia
1983	McLennan of Waco, Texas
1984	Southern Idaho of Twin Falls, Idaho
1985	San Jacinto of Houston, Texas
1986	San Jacinto of Houston, Texas
1987	San Jacinto of Houston, Texas
1988	Hillsborough Community College, Tampa, Florida
1989	San Jacinto of Houston, Texas
1990	San Jacinto of Houston, Texas
1991	Howard of Big Springs, Texas
1992	Essex of Baltimore County, Maryland
1993	Yavapai College of Prescott, Arizona
1994	Galveston College, Texas
1995	Middle Georgia of Cochran, Georgia
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## Former JUCO Players Shine During 1999 In The Major Leagues

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### PLAYERS SELECTED TO THE 1999 ALL-STAR GAME

#### American League:

Jose Rosado / LHP, Kansas City Royals, 1994 Galveston College, Texas

#### National League:

Curt Schilling / RHP, Philadelphia Phillies, 1986 Yavapai College, Arizona

### INDIVIDUAL EFFORTS DURING THE 1999 SEASON

#### ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS

Kelly Stinnett / C

1990 Seminole Junior College, Oklahoma  
Stinnett continued to split catching duties with Damian Miller and played in 88 games last season with 284 at bats, hit 14 homers and knocked in 38 runs.

#### KANSAS CITY ROYALS

Jose Rosado / LHP

Former Kansas City Manager Bob Boone is a true believer in Rosado and said: "He reminds me of Whitey Ford. He uses both sides of the plate, changes speeds and doesn't overpower you but tricks you constantly."

Not only has Rosado been selected to the All-Star team twice but is only 25 years old. Current Manager Tony Muser is projecting Rosado to be the number one ace after the team named him their 1999 pitcher of the year.

#### LOS ANGELES DODGERS

Mark Grudzielanek / IF

1991 Trinidad State Junior College, Colorado  
Grudzielanek solidified his spot in the Dodger lineup because of offensive and defensive improvement last season. Mark's hefty .326 batting average, made him the first Dodger shortstop to hit over .300 since Maury Wills in 1963.

For the first time in his six-year Major League career, Grudzielanek will play at second base rather than his usual shortstop position. Last season, he had 159 hits in 488 at bats 46 RBI, 72 runs and 213 total bases.

#### MONTREAL EXPOS

Steve Kline / LHP

1991 Allegany Community College, Maryland  
Kline was traded from the Cleveland Indians to the Expos, where he spent the entire 1998 campaign. Steve blossomed last year under Manager Felipe Alou's leadership where he was frequently called on as a middle relief pitcher.....throwing in 78 games as a reliever, the highest total in the NL. Kline emerged as a competent set-up relief pitcher in 1998 as he recorded 76 strikeouts with an ERA of 2.76 and held lefties to a .178 average.

#### NEW YORK YANKEES

Steve Kline / LHP

1991 Allegany College, Maryland

Last season he led all Major League pitchers with 82 game appearances and continue to show steady improvement in his third year as a pro. His projected role for 2000 is the number one, lefty, set-up, reliever after a 7-4, 3.75 ERA last season.

#### NEW YORK YANKEES

Jim Leyritz / C

1984 Middle Georgia College

Last August, San Diego traded the much-traveled 35-year old utility man back to his beloved New York. Manager Joe Torre, wanted the former Yankee World Series hero mainly for his versatility during the team's 1999 stretch drive.

As if on demand, the so-called 'King of the Playoffs' hit a pinch-hit homer in game four of the World Series to help the Yanks sweep the Braves in four games. Leyritz has also played for the Angels, Rangers, Red Sox and Padres in his ten-year career.

#### OAKLAND ATHLETICS

Gil Heredia / RHP,

1985 Pima Community College, Arizona

Last season, Heredia compiled a 13-8 record, a personal career high and proved quite durable not missing one start in his 33 games.

Manager Art Howe, states, "He keeps the ball down and throws strikes. He has come a long way! Two years ago he couldn't make our club and now he's one of our keys."

#### PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES

Curt Schilling / RHP

1986 Yavapai College, Arizona

The 199 season was cut short in late July due to biceps tendinitis and shoulder tightness but Schilling was still able to post a 15-6 record in 24 starts. However, he earned the starting role in the All-Star team and ended the season with 180.1 innings pitched, allowed 159 hits, 44 walks, 152 strikeouts an ERA of 3.54.

#### TEXAS RANGERS

Chad Curtis / OF

1988 Cochise College, Arizona

In game three of the World Series, Yankee Curtis hit two home runs to help put the Braves on the ropes after his first start in the series.

The Rangers traded for Curtis this season, as they needed a versatile fourth outfielder, who is in his ninth season. In the past eight years, he has played with the Angels, Tigers, Dodgers, Indians and the Yankees.

#### TORONTO BLUE JAYS

David Wells / LHP

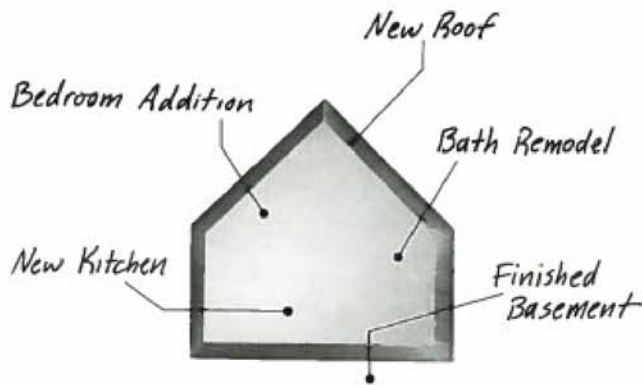
1982 Middle Georgia College

Wells rejoined his old team after traded by the Yankees and had an outstanding season.

In 1999, Wells was 17-10, in 34 starts, seven complete games, 231.2 innings pitched, 62 walks and 169 strikeouts. A relief pitcher in his first three seasons, he has since developed into one of the game's most durable starters.

In his 14-year career, he has also played with the Tigers, Reds, Orioles and the Yankees





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### BATTING

Average (15 or more at bat) - .688 Kirby Puckett, Triton, 1982 and Bill Losa, San Jacinto, TX, 1987.

Hits - 17, Shell Scott, Southern Idaho, 1984; (broke Chris Campbell, Panola, 1979 and Jose Tolentino, Seminole, 1982 records of 15).

Hits (one game) - 6, Tary Scott, Walters State Community College, Morristown, Tennessee, 1984.

Runs - 15, Scott Skripko, Middle Georgia, 1982; Bill Satterfield, Southern Idaho, 1988, Randy Brown, San Jacinto, Texas, 1990.

Runs-batted-in - 18, Greg Geren, Cleveland, 1980 (broke Dan Townsend's record of 15 set in 1977).

Doubles - 5, Mickey Dearstone, Columbia State, Tenn., 1973; Eric Smith, Panola, 1979; Brian Davis, Middle Georgia, 1995.

Triples - 4, Howard May, Gulf Coast, Florida 1965.

Home Runs - 6, Jeff Kipila, Brookdale, N.J. 1986, Shepherd, Middle Georgia, 1990.

Home Runs (one game) - Mike Peters, Essex, 1992; Steve Cook, Miami-Dade North, 1974; Darrel Higgs, Pima, Arizona, 1981; Joe Datin, Middle Georgia, 1984; Bill Losa, San Jacinto, Texas, 1987; Kevin Lofthus, Southern Idaho, 1986; Steve Coats, Louisburg Junior College, 1975; (All are tied with 3).

Stolen Bases - 11, Humberto Acosta, Miami-Dade Downtown, 1976.

Most at Bat in a Series - 36, Jim Kotkas, Southern Idaho, 1984.

Most Grand Slam Home Runs - 3, George Arias, Pima, 1992.

### PITCHING

Appearances - 6, Darrell Porter, Tarleton State, 1960.

Innings Pitched - 30 2/3, Joe Arnold, Miami-Dade, 1966.

Victories - 4, Donnie Moore, Ranger, Tex., 1973.

Strikeouts - Most strikeouts by Frank Rodriguez of Howard Tex., 1992, with 33, to tie Doug Slocum, Mesa, Ariz., 1972.

Strikeouts (one game) - 21, Floyd Weaver, Paris, Tex., 1961.

Bases on Balls (one game) - 15, Doug Ault, Panola, Tex., 1970.

No Hitter - Billy DeBruhl, Wilmington, 1959.

Walks (one game, both teams) - 25, Allegany, Maryland vs. Iowa Western, 1984; Normandale, Minn., vs. Mesa, Ariz., 1990.

### TEAM

Most Runs (tournament-seven games) - 79, Southern Idaho, 1984.

Most Runs (tournament-six games) - 73, San Jacinto North, 1986 (broke own record of 65, set in 1985).

Most Runs (tournament-five games) - 66, Miami-Dade South, 1981.

Most Runs (one game) - 36, Jefferson Davis (23) vs. Trinidad (13), 1994 (broke Normandale, Minn. vs. Mesa, Ariz. 1990 record of 26).

Most Hits (tournament) - 98, Galveston, 1994 (broke Panola 1979 record of 89).

Most Hits (one game) - 43, Jefferson Davis vs. Trinidad, 1994 (broke Louisburg, N.C. vs. Triton, Ill. 1990 record of 32).

Attendance - 123,285 - 1998 (eight day tournament)

Attendance - 119,280 - 1999 (seven day tournament)



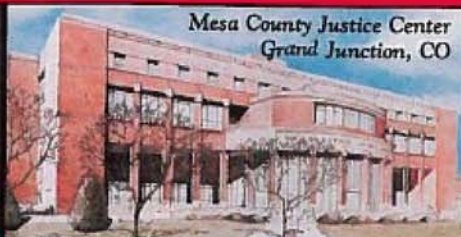
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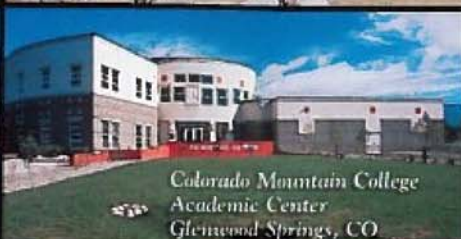
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## Time Out For JUCO Trivia

If you would like to rate yourself as a JUCO Trivia Master, you need to answer all 25 questions correctly. Between 18-24 is a pro, 12-17 is an expert and 11 or below is considered a novice.

- How many years has the JUCO World Series been held in Grand Junction?
- Where was the first JUCO Tournament held?
- What Major League record do Mark Grudzielanek (1998 Dodgers and 1991 Trinidad State Junior College) and Major League Hall of Famer, Honus Wagner share?
- Pitching is one of the essential elements of baseball and JUCO has been criticized for not having many pitchers. However, during two Major League seasons (1997-98), four former JUCO pitchers have been named to five All-Star Games; who are they?
- How many former JUCO Tournament players have reached the Major Leagues (incidentally, over 40% are pitchers), and how many are on 2000 active roster?
- During the 1960's, Major League scouts voted on which player was "Most Likely to Succeed." How many actually succeeded and made it to the Major Leagues?
- After the great 'pine tar' incident, who was the winner of the game?
- Many JUCO Tournament players have reached the Major Leagues but only three have reached the 'Show' as both a player and coach. Who are they?
- Four teams have only made one appearance in Grand Junction but they made it count, by winning the National JUCO championship. Can you name the one-week wonders?
- Which former JUCO player, is the only one in the history of the Major Leagues, to lead both leagues in base hits?
- Which JUCO record is the oldest and may never be broken?
- During the 1999 season, the Seattle Mariners had four JUCO World Series players on their roster, all at the same time. Can you name the players and their JUCO team plus when they played in Grand Junction?
- How many former JUCO banquet speakers have been elected to the National Baseball Hall of Fame?
- What is the record for the most runs ever scored in a JUCO game; by which teams; when?
- George E. Killian is the Executive Director of the NJCAA. In what City is his main Colorado office located?
- Which JUCO World Series participating team has sent the most players to the Major Leagues?
- Former Major League star Kirby Puckett holds the record for the highest batting average. Who shares the batting title with him?
- Walters State Community College only made the trip to JUCO one time in 1984; which town is the college located?
- Which team qualified and made the trip to Grand Junction more times than any other team?
- Bacone Junior College of Muskogee, Oklahoma, was a fixture in Grand Junction during the 1960's, making six appearances and winning one title. Bacone's campus was the movie location for the biography of which famous athlete?
- Out of the ten teams participating in the 1999 JUCO Tournament, which ones made their first appearance in Grand Junction?
- Almost everyone remembers a champion but which teams finished second in the 1998 and 1999 JUCO World Series?
- Only one record was established during the 1999 JUCO Tournament. What was it?
- Which member of the Grand Junction news media has covered each JUCO Tournament game since 1959?
- Which team was the first to qualify for the 2000 JUCO Tournament?



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## **Allegany Community College**

Cumberland, Maryland  
Years: 1984, 1990, 1991, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997

## **Allen County Community College**

Iola, Kansas  
Year: 1983

## **Anne Arundel Community College**

Arnold, Maryland  
Years: 1974, 1978

## **Arizona Western College**

Yuma, Arizona  
Year: 1996

## **Bacone Junior College**

Muskogee, Oklahoma  
Years: 1963, 1964, 1965, 1967, 1968, 1969  
Championships: 1

## **Belleville Area College**

Belleville, Illinois  
Year: 1984

## **Blinn Junior College**

Brenham, Texas  
Years: 1962, 1964, 1965, 1968, 1992

## **Boise State College**

Boise, Idaho  
Years: 1960, 1961

## **Briardliffe College**

Bethpage, New York  
Years: 1999

## **Brevard Community College**

Melbourne, Florida  
Years: 1986, 1989, 1994, 1998

## **Brookdale Community College**

Lincroft, New Jersey  
Years: 1979, 1983, 1986, 1988, 1989

## **Butler County Community College**

Eldorado, Kansas  
Year: 1994

## **Camden County College**

Blackwood, New Jersey  
Year: 1977

## **Cameron College**

Lawton, Oklahoma  
Years: 1958, 1966  
Championships: 1

## **Central Arizona College**

Coolidge, Arizona  
Year: 1976, 1999  
Championship: 1

## **Central Florida Community College**

Ocala, Florida  
Year: 1997, 1998

## **Cleveland State College**

Cleveland, Tennessee  
Year: 1980

## **Cochise College**

Douglas, Arizona  
Years: 1988, 1989

## **College of Eastern Utah**

Price, Utah  
Year: 1959

## **College of Southern Utah**

Cedar City, Utah  
Year: 1963

## **College of the Albemarle**

Albemarle, North Carolina  
Year: 1976

## **Columbia State Community College**

Columbia, Tennessee  
Years: 1970, 1972, 1973, 1978, 1982, 1997

## **Community College of Baltimore**

Baltimore, Maryland  
Years: 1973, 1975, 1980, 1982

## **Community College of Rhode Island**

Warwick, Rhode Island  
Year: 1988, 1991, 1992

## **Connors State College**

Warner, Oklahoma  
Years: 1962, 1985

## **County College of Morris**

Randolph, New Jersey  
Years: 1985, 1987

## **Cowley County Community College**

Arkansas City, Kansas  
Year: 1997, 1998  
Championship: 2

## **DeKalb Community College-South**

Decatur, Georgia  
Year: 1977, 1998

## **Delgado College**

New Orleans, Louisiana  
Year: 1985

## **Des Moines Area Community College**

Boone Campus, Boone, Iowa  
Year: 1982

## **Dixie College**

St. George, Utah  
Year: 1989, 1995, 1998

## **Dodge City Community College**

Dodge City, Kansas  
Year: 1958

## **Dutchess Community College**

Poughkeepsie, New York  
Year: 1990

## **Ellsworth Community College**

Iowa Falls, Iowa  
Years: 1958, 1962, 1964, 1966

## **Essex Community College**

Baltimore County, Maryland  
Years: 1992  
Championships: 1

## **Ferrum Junior College**

Ferrum, Virginia  
Year: 1968

## **Florida Community College**

Jacksonville, Florida  
Year: 1987

## **Gardner-Webb College**

Boiling Springs, North Carolina  
Years: 1967, 1969

## **Galveston College**

Galveston Island, Texas  
Year: 1993, 1994  
Championships: 1

## **Garden City Community College**

Garden City, Kansas  
Year: 1999

## **Genesee Community College**

Now known as C.S. Mott College)  
Flint, Michigan  
Years: 1967, 1971

## **Glendale Community College**

Glendale, Arizona  
Year: 1968, 1991  
Championship: 1

## **Grand Rapids Junior College**

Grand Rapids, Michigan  
Years: 1968, 1977, 1981, 1986, 1987

## **Grand View College**

Des Moines, Iowa  
Year: 1965

## **Grayson County College**

Denison, Texas  
Year: 1998, 1999  
Championships: 1

## **Gulf Coast Community College**

Panama City, Florida  
Years: 1965, 1973

## **Hagerstown Junior College**

Hagerstown, Maryland  
Year: 1970, 1993

## **Hill College**

Hillsboro, Texas  
Year: 1997

## **Hillsborough Community College**

Tampa, Florida  
Year: 1988  
Championship: 1

## **Hinds Community College**

Raymond, Mississippi  
Year: 1989

## **Housatonic Community College**

Bridgeport, Connecticut  
Years: 1979, 1981

## **Howard College**

Big Spring, Texas  
Years: 1991  
Championships: 1

## **Hudson Valley Community College**

Troy, New York  
Years: 1971, 1982

## **Indian Hills Community College**

Centerville, Iowa  
Years: 1973, 1981, 1985, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998

## **Indian River Community College**

Ft. Pierce, Florida  
Year: 1993, 1995, 1996

## **Iowa Western Community College**

Council Bluffs, Iowa  
Years: 1975, 1977, 1978, 1980, 1989, 1991

## **Iowa Western Community College**

Clarinda, Iowa  
Years: 1984, 1991

## **Jackson State Community College**

Jackson, Tennessee  
Year: 1996

## **Jefferson Davis Community College**

Brewton, Alabama  
Year: 1994

## **Kankakee Community College**

Kankakee, Illinois  
Year: 1974

## **Kansas City Kansas Community College**

Kansas City, Kansas  
Year: 1976

## **Kingsborough Community College**

Brooklyn, New York  
Year: 1972

## **Lakeland College**

Mattoon, Illinois  
Year: 1988

## **Lamar Community College**

Lamar, Colorado  
Year: 1958

## **Linn Benton Community College**

Albany, Oregon  
Years: 1979, 1980, 1981

## **John A. Logan College**

Cartersville, Illinois  
Year: 1992

## **Long Island University**

Brooklyn, New York  
Year: 1960

## **Louisburg Junior College**

Louisburg, North Carolina  
Years: 1971, 1975, 1977, 1979, 1981, 1987, 1988, 1990, 1992

## **Manatee Junior College**

(Now Known As Manatee Community College)  
Bradenton, Florida  
Years: 1961, 1962, 1963, 1965, 1968, 1972, 1991, 1994, 1999





# Participating Teams

**Maple Woods Community College**  
Kansas City, Missouri  
Year: 1998

**McLennan Community College**  
Waco, Texas  
Years: 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983  
Championships: 1

**Meramec Community College**  
(Now known as  
**St. Louis Community College -Meramec**)  
Kirkwood, Missouri  
Years: 1970, 1971, 1972, 1974, 1975, 1977,  
1978, 1979, 1986, 1995  
Championships: 1

**Mercer County Community College**  
Trenton, New Jersey  
Year: 1981

**Meridian Community College**  
Meridian, Mississippi  
Year: 1993, 1994, 1996, 1998

**Mesa Community College**  
Mesa, Arizona  
Years: 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1980,  
1982, 1990  
Championships: 3

**Mesa Junior College**  
Grand Junction, Colorado  
Years: 1959 - 1970, 1974

**Miami-Dade Community College**  
Downtown, Miami, Florida  
Year: 1976

**Miami-Dade Community College North**  
Miami, Florida  
Years: 1971, 1974

**Miami-Dade Community College South**  
Miami, Florida  
Years: 1978, 1981  
Championships: 1

**Miami-Dade Junior College**  
Miami, Florida  
Years: 1964, 1966, 1967  
Championships: 1

**Middle Georgia College**  
Cochran, Georgia  
Years: 1975, 1979, 1980, 1982, 1983, 1984,  
1990, 1995, 1996  
Championships: 4

**Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College**  
Perkinston, Mississippi  
Year: 1991

**Mitchell Community College**  
Statesville, North Carolina  
Year: 1974

**Monroe Community College**  
Rochester, New York  
Years: 1976, 1978, 1980, 1989

**Mott Community College**  
Flint, Michigan  
Year: 1978

**Mount Hood Community College**  
Gresham, Oregon  
Year: 1977

**Muscatine Community College**  
Muscatine, Iowa  
Year: 1994, 1999

**Nassau Community College**  
Garden City, New York  
Years: 1965, 1966, 1967, 1969, 1986  
Championships: 1

**Navarro Junior College**  
Corsicana, Texas  
Year: 1958

**New York City Community College**  
Brooklyn, New York  
Year: 1964

**New York State University**  
Farmingdale, New York  
Year: 1963

**Normandale Community College**  
Bloomington, Minnesota  
Years: 1979, 1983, 1986, 1988, 1990

**North Hennepin Community College**  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Year: 1987

**Northeast Texas Community College**  
Mt. Pleasant, Texas  
Year: 1996  
Championships: 1

**Northeastern Oklahoma A & M**  
Miami, Oklahoma  
Years: 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1989, 1993

**Odessa Junior College**  
Odessa, Texas  
Year: 1967, 1995

**Onondaga Community College**  
Syracuse, New York  
Year: 1987

**Paducah Community College**  
Paducah, Kentucky  
Year: 1959

**Panola Junior College**  
Carthage, Texas  
Years: 1963, 1969, 1970, 1979  
Championships: 1

**Par's Junior College**  
Paris, Texas  
Years: 1959, 1961, 1966  
Championships: 1

**Phoenix College**  
Phoenix, Arizona  
Years: 1958, 1959, 1960, 1962, 1964,  
1965, 1966, 1967  
Championships: 3

**Pima Community College**  
Tucson, Arizona  
Years: 1981, 1983, 1985, 1992

**Pueblo College**  
Pueblo, Colorado  
Year: 1961

**Quinsigamond Community College**  
Worcester, Massachusetts  
Years: 1977, 1983, 1984, 1985

**Rockland Community College**  
Suffern, New York  
Year: 1993

**Ranger Junior College**  
Ranger, Texas  
Years: 1973, 1975, 1976, 1978  
Championships: 2

**San Jacinto College**  
Pasadena, Texas  
Years: 1971, 1972, 1974

**San Jacinto College North**  
Houston, Texas  
Years: 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988,  
1989, 1990, 1997, 1998, 1999  
Championships: 5

**Santa Fe Community College**  
Gainesville, Florida  
Year: 1985

**Scottsdale Community College**  
Scottsdale, Arizona  
Years: 1974, 1984, 1987, 1997

**Seminole Junior College**  
(Now known as Seminole State College)  
Seminole, Oklahoma  
Years: 1980, 1981, 1982, 1984, 1987,  
1988, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1995, 1997, 1999

**South Suburban College**  
South Holland, Illinois  
Year: 1991

**Southern Georgia College**  
Douglas, Georgia  
Years: 1969, 1970

**Southern Idaho**  
Twin Falls, Idaho  
Years: 1972, 1973, 1975, 1978, 1983,  
1984, 1986, 1988, 1993  
Championships: 1

**Spartanburg Methodist College**  
Spartanburg, South Carolina  
Years: 1983, 1986

**St. Clair Community College**  
Port Huron, Michigan  
Years: 1970, 1972, 1976

**Tarleton State College**  
Stephenville, Texas  
Year: 1960

**Texas Southmost College**  
Brownsville, Texas  
Year: 1977

**Thornton Junior College**  
(Now known as South Suburban College)  
Harvey, Illinois  
Year: 1963

**Three Rivers Community College**  
Poplar Bluff, Missouri  
Year: 1973

**Treasure Valley Community College**  
Ontario, Oregon  
Years: 1976, 1990

**Trinidad State Junior College**  
Trinidad, Colorado  
Years: 1958, 1959, 1962, 1985, 1987,  
1991, 1992, 1994

**Triton College**  
River Grove, Illinois  
Years: 1979, 1980, 1982, 1983, 1985,  
1990, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996

**Umpqua Community College**  
Roseburg, Oregon  
Years: 1977, 1982

**Volunteer State Community College**  
Gallatin, Tennessee  
Year: 1995, 1999

**Wabash Valley College**  
Mt. Carmel, Illinois  
Year: 1989

**Wallace State College**  
Hanceville, Alabama  
Year: 1992, 1997, 1999

**Walters State Community College**  
Morristown, Tennessee  
Year: 1984

**Wilmington College**  
Wilmington, North Carolina  
Years: 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963  
Championships: 2

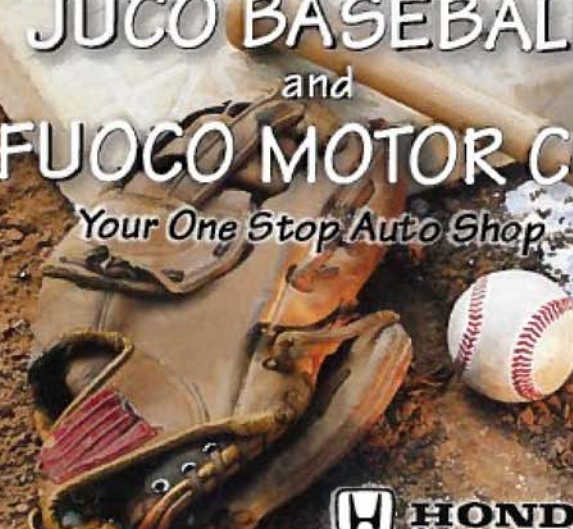
**Wingate College**  
Wingate, North Carolina  
Years: 1964, 1966

**Wilber Wright College**  
Chicago, Illinois  
Years: 1960, 1961, 1969

**Yavapai College**  
Prescott, Arizona  
Years: 1975, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1986,  
1993  
Championships: 3



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## Trivia Answers

- Forty-two years; the tournament started in Grand Junction in 1959.
- Took place in Miami, Oklahoma in 1958.
- They are the only shortstops in the 20<sup>th</sup> century to hit .300, collect 200 hits and steal 30 bases, all in the same season.
- In 1997, they were Jason Dickson, Jose Rosadeo and Curt Shilling. In 1998: David Wells and Curt Shilling (second straight year).
- A total of 75 players have reached the Major Leagues and 18 are currently on an active roster.
- Four is the correct answer: Floyd Weaver, Paris, Texas, 1961; Paul Dicken, Manatee, Florida, 1963; Bob Stinson, Miami-Dade, Florida, 1966 and Gerald Pirtle, Bacone, Oklahoma, 1967.
- The Yankees won the initial game, played under protest, but Kansas City won the final game when it was replayed.
- Tom Robson, John Tamargo and Dave Collins.
- Central Arizona College, 1976; Hillsborough.
- Community College, Florida, 1988; Howard College, Texas, 1991 and Essex Community College, Maryland, 1992.
- Lance Johnson of Triton College, Illinois.
- A 'no hitter' thrown by Billy DeBruhl, Wilmington, in 1959.
- Jay Buhner, OF, 1993, McLennan Community, TX; Rafael Carmona, RHP, 1993, Indian Hills, IA; Ryan Franklin, RHP, 1992, Seminole Junior College, OK and Frank Rodriguez, RHP, 1991, Howard College, TX.
- A total of 13, but one speaker appeared four times. Tom Seaver, Bob Gibson, Lefty Gomez, Ernie Banks, Whitey Ford, Willie Mays, Duke Snider, Stan Musial, George Brett and Jocko Conlan. (The speaker who appeared four times was none other than the late Lefty Gomez, who spoke in 1965, 1974, 1979 and 1984.)
- Jefferson Davis (Brewton, Alabama) beat Trinidad (Colorado) 23-13 in 1994.
- Colorado Springs.
- Middle Georgia has sent 11 players to the Major leagues, who played in the JUCO Tournament.
- Bill Losa, San Jacinto, Texas.
- Morristown, Tennessee.
- Seminole Junior College, now know as Seminole State College, made its first trip to Grand Junction in 1980 and appeared a total of 11 times. However, Seminole never took home the first place trophy.
- The movie "Jim Thorpe - All-American".
- Garden City of Kansas and Briarcliffe of New York.
- San Jacinto, Texas had the dubious honor of finishing runner-up, during the past two years.
- The attendance record for a seven day tournament was set at 119,280 for 1999.
- The Grand Junction Daily Sentinel (newspaper).
- Florida Community College at Jacksonville.





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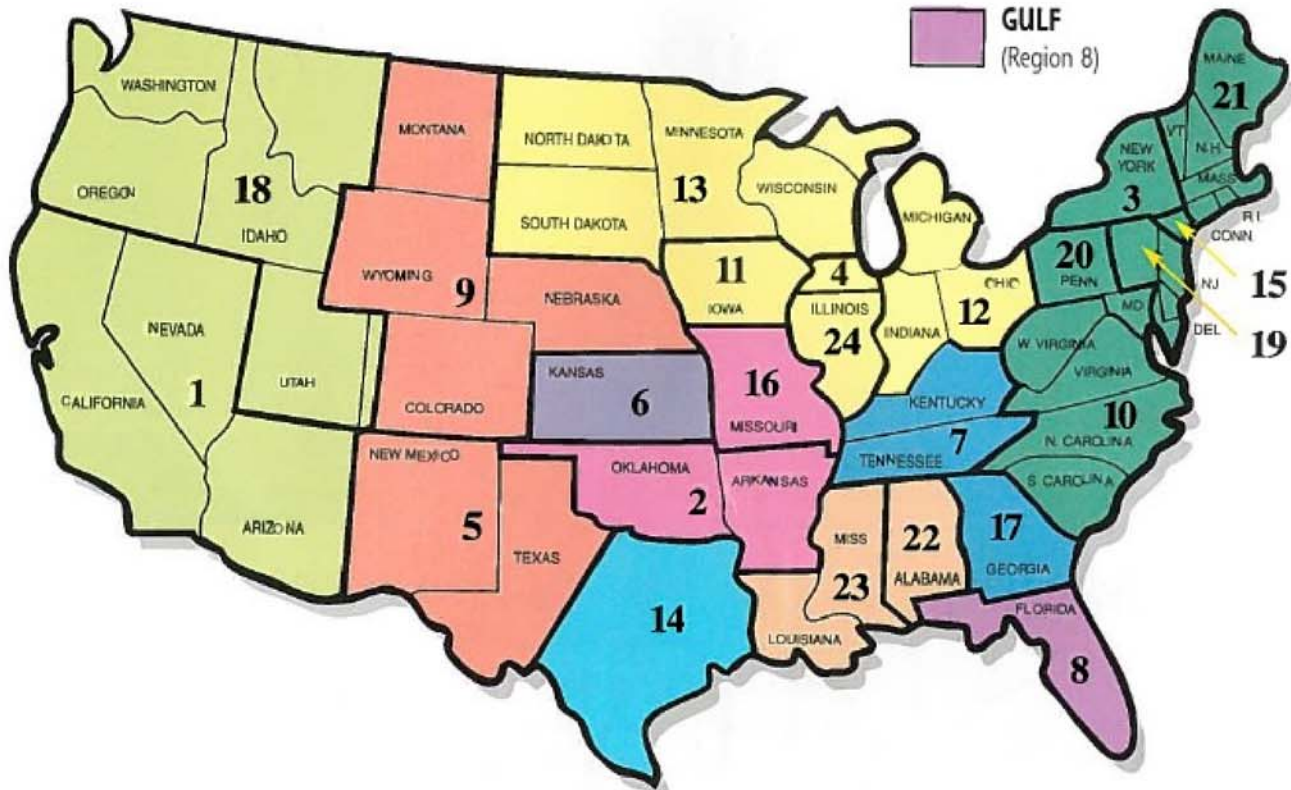
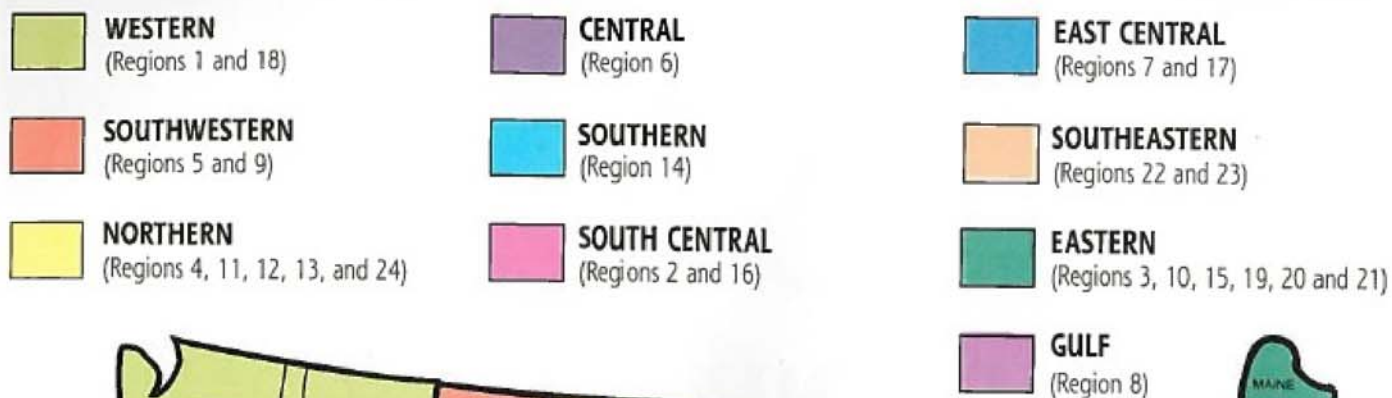
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Saturday 12:00 p.m.	N - SE	S - G	EC - W	C - E	N - SW	C - SW	EC - SC	SE - E	W - N
Saturday 3:00 p.m.	C - SC	SE - SW	SE - S	G - W	E - EC	S - W	N - E	EC - SW	G - SC
Saturday 7:30 p.m.	G - EC	W - E	C - N	SW - SC	S - SC	SE - SC	G - C	W - SC	EC - S
Sunday 7:30 p.m.	E - S	N - SC	G - SW	SE - EC	C - W	G - E	SE - W	C - S	E - SW

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