



## Girl's Windmill Pitching

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## While You Were Out, Honey



*Pacific Mutual Fuel Women's Fastpitch Team, AKA Tacoma Fuelerettes, 1948*

I had nothing to do one Saturday at approximately 1:57:05 in the afternoon, while my wife was out probably trying to support me and I started thinking. This seems to happen when I have nothing to do. Weird thoughts enter my mind like: "Are elves stealing my underwear?" Unable to answer that question I began to wax nostalgic and to consider how far Girl's (Women's) Fastpitch had come in a relatively short time. I thought about the way it had evolved since Title IX became the law of the land opening doors and providing opportunities that could have previously only been dreamed of by the female population, not only in sports, but any other areas once dominated by their male counterparts.

Prior to Title IX, female sports were less than an afterthought. Female management was unthinkable.

If girls played any sports they played them on fields that were about as safe as a cow pasture or pig pen.

Uniforms for female softball players consisted of what resembled left over baseball uniforms made for giants (see above photo). They were baggy, horribly fitting things that would certainly not identify the wearer as a girl by any means, which was probably the idea.

Boys got the little league fields that dads took care of with the utmost care and pride, preening the grounds until some resembled mini pro stadiums.

Girls played..well,..wherever. No preening, no fences (that is still a problem), no dugouts. Girls all used the same 2 or 3 wooden bats and practiced with balls that were spongy, lopsided, dirty white (moreover gray) balls that plopped like a cow patty when hit with a bat. There was no women's Fastpitch, even at the college level in most areas of the country. Those that offered softball, particularly East of the Mississippi, offered slow pitch only and girl's scholarships were not the norm.

How about we go back in time to find how women's softball got its start?

The year is 1895 and I am just a young coach (just kidding).

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The first women's softball team was formed in 1895 at Chicago's West Division High School. They did not obtain a coach for competitive play until 1899 and it was difficult to create interest among fans. However, only five years later, more attention was given to the women's game. The Spalding Indoor Baseball Guide 1904 issue fueled this attention by devoting a large section of the guide to the game of women's softball.

The Chicago National Tournament in 1933 also advanced the sport. At this competition, the male and female champions were honored equally. The International Softball World Championships in 1965 developed women's softball by making it an international game, a step towards the Pan-American Games and the Olympics. Eleven years later, women softball players were given the closest equivalent to Major League Baseball with the 1976 formation of the International Women's Professional Softball League. Player contracts ranged from \$1,000 to \$3,000 per year, but the league disbanded in 1980 because of financial ruin. Vicki Schneider, a St. Louis Softball Hall of Famer and former professional player, recalls this league as being the high point of her career.

The game of Fastpitch for women seems to have gained popularity on the West Coast and made its way east and as you can see by the 2008 National Team, the West Coast still has the largest share of Olympic caliber players.

JoAnn Graf, the 28-year Florida State Coach and winningest College Softball Coach in history combined slow pitch and fast pitch wins to achieve that status. In 1981 she won Florida State's first College National Slow Pitch championship. So, Fastpitch was not really featured on the East Coast and yet, since expanding its roots in the mid-eighties and later, it has really become a great game on the East Coast as well.

From the antiquated uniforms and equipment to fashion statement jerseys and shorts and now back to long pants and 3-button jerseys, the game, equipment, coaching, and players have changed tremendously.

At one time and still in some circles, girls were not allowed to strength train with equipment for fear they would look like "Arnold." Now, as soon as a kid signs with a college she receives their strength-training regimen and is expected to get on it right away. Lifting, plyometrics, sprints, and various training methods increase the speed, agility, conditioning and strength of girls playing Fastpitch

Composite material replaced the aluminum bat, which replaced the wooden bat. Softballs have taken on a new color called optic yellow and the COR .47 is the norm in compression when it used to be if the ball was still sort of round, use it.

Where it used to be a pastime to play a little softball, now it is big business, with wider television and Internet coverage, better newspaper coverage and colleges and universities trying to get those top players to sign earlier and earlier.

Do you realize that the mighty PAC-10 conference did not sponsor Fastpitch until 1987?

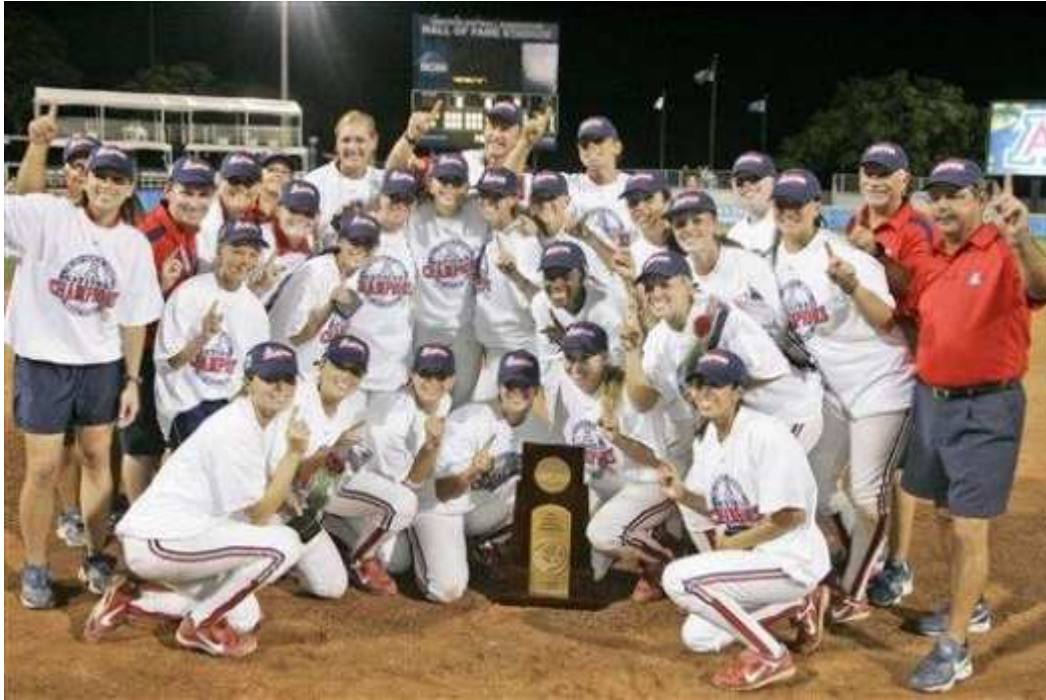
The University of California won the first PAC-10 Championship in that year.

The ACC first sponsored Fastpitch in 1992.

The Big Ten Conference began Fastpitch in 1983.

As you can see it is a recent sport.

I am very enthused about the way the game has evolved.



*The 2007 NCAA Champion University of Arizona*

I see young ladies who have pitching instructors, hitting instructors; personal trainers, speed and agility trainers and they work on one game all year. They earn their scholarships through hard work.

There was a time when they would have to put the glove down in July or August and do something else, but now the true Fastpitch player with a vision for her future in the sport can pursue it year-around.

The times have changed. Opportunities abound for the female athlete and for me that is a good thing. If not for this great game, I would probably be coaching rattlesnake roping or Munchkin tossing contests and we all know they are not *team* sports, but individual sports.

The things that can run through my mind on a Saturday at 1:57:05....while you were out, honey.

Check out the photo section below today if you feel nostalgic.

## *Delaware Diamonds (Wright)*

The Delaware Diamonds (Wright) are still looking for a couple of 2<sup>nd</sup> year 14U players. If you are interested contact Dan Wright at [danny.wright@state.de.us](mailto:danny.wright@state.de.us) or by calling (302) 854-6772.

## *Lady Orioles 18U 2007 Fall Schedule*

<u><b>Date</b></u>	<u><b>Tournament</b></u>	<u><b>Link</b></u>
10/13-10/14	New Jersey Sharks Pre-Freeze Classic Showcase	<a href="http://www.jerseysharks.com">http://www.jerseysharks.com</a>
10/26-10/28	Rising Stars, Plantation, Florida	<a href="http://www.risingstarsevents.com">http://www.risingstarsevents.com</a>
11/3-11/4	Baseliners East Coast College Showcase	<a href="http://www.baseliners.org">http://www.baseliners.org</a>
11/10-11/11	Myrtle Beach Early Signing Showcase	<a href="http://www.playwfc.org">http://www.playwfc.org</a>

## *Photos*



*Louise Mazzuca began pitching women's Fastpitch at age 14 in the early 50's and set all kinds of records through the 60's.*



*1958 Fillies Softball League Team*



*Ashamed to call it Softball?? This group was called the Paramount Electric Housewives and won the 1965 slow pitch championship*

## Tips

NCAA Division I, II, and III.

NJCAA Division I, II, and III

NAIA

If you are as good a player as you and your parents think you are, you had better know what the associations above mean and what it means to you as a player who may be looking for financial help.

The reason I come back to this every now and then is not because I am senile (but I probably am).

The reason is you forget about it because you say “my kid isn’t worried about college now.” You said that 2 years ago when she was a 7<sup>th</sup> grader. Oops! She’s a freshman and the colleges are making offers to sophomores and sometimes freshman. So, now you may need it.

Also, there are new readers of this newsletter who haven’t been told about this information.

In some cases they have been misled by people at recruiting seminars, some college coaches and even people who don’t know anything but convince you that they know everything.

See, you who read this, get the same information we give our own team, whereas some travel coaches and high school coaches don’t fool with it because it is too involved, requires research or they just don’t have time.

Anyway, here we go:

NCAA D-I can give full scholarships, partial scholarships, recruited walk-on where you don’t get money the first year.

NCAA D-II can do the same but with less scholarship money to go around.

NCAA D-III can give no athletic scholarships. Aid is based solely on academics and need.

NJCAA D-I can give full scholarships which include 1 round trip home each school year.

NJCAA D-II can give full tuition and full books.

NJCAA D-III is limited to academic and need based aid with no athletic scholarships.

NAIA can give as much athletic scholarship money as the school provides.

NCAA D-I and D-II contact: No initiated verbal contact with anyone before July 1 prior to their senior year. You can call them and talk to them. They can go through your coach or instructor.

They can send questionnaires and general information any time.

They can email or send letters beginning September 1<sup>st</sup> of junior year.

D-II may allow on campus tryouts for seniors.

NCAA D-III Although some D-III coaches do not realize it, they can make contact any time in any way no matter the age of the student

NJCAA are not limited on contact and visits and workouts can happen on campus even for underclassmen. Offers can be extended.

NAIA is much the same as the NJCAA. Contact is not limited and offers can be made anytime.

After clearing all that up for you let me muddy the waters.

Just because the NCAA says a D-I or D-II school may extend an offer of scholarship does not mean the school has allocated funds for the scholarships. The NCAA does not provide the money. The school must.

If the NCAA says you may have 12 full scholarships, the school may only allocate 3 and that will be used, as the coach deems necessary. He/she may use full scholarships to attract pitchers, catchers, and shortstops or the money may be divided among all of the players.

Such is the case for NJCAA and NAIA schools.

Each association tells the school the maximum number of scholarships allowed and it is up to the school to decide whether or how many to fund.

### *Who Leads the Fastpitch Pack, Academically*

Although Fastpitch leads the interest of this newsletter, remember that you should choose a school for its educational value above all else. At the end of 4 years most of you will not play Fastpitch professionally or have big endorsements and that degree is the key to your success.

The NFCA has released its list of Fastpitch sponsoring colleges, universities, and high schools and how the top ones stack up academically. Notice that of all 4-year schools the NAIA University of the Rio Grande has the highest GPA with a 3.648.

#### **Division I**

<b>Rank</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Head Coach</b>	<b>GPA</b>
1	St. Bonaventure University	Mike Threehouse	3.622
2	Southern Illinois University	Kerri Blaylock	3.557
3	Eastern Michigan University	Karen Baird	3.528
4	Gardner-Webb University	Thomas Cole	3.493
5	University of South Carolina	Joyce Compton	3.462
6	Valparaiso University	Randy Schneider	3.461
7	Robert Morris University	Craig Coleman	3.452
8	University of Detroit Mercy	Bob Wilkerson	3.448
9	Loyola University	Yvette Healy	3.432
10	George Washington University	Kim Staehle	3.420
11	Mississippi State University	Jay Miller	3.411
12	University of Florida	Tim Walton	3.410
13	Indiana State University	Brenda Coldren	3.398
14	Central Michigan University	Margo Jonker	3.382
15	University of North Florida	Sonya Wilmoth	3.380
15	Middle Tennessee State University	Leigh Podlesny	3.380
17	Bradley University	Buddy Foster	3.379
18	Iona College	Jaime Wohlbach	3.370
18	George Mason University	Joe Verbanic	3.370
20	East Carolina University	Tracey Kee	3.364

21	University of Tennessee at Martin	Donley Canary	3.359
22	Campbell University	Drew Peterson	3.354
22	Rider University	Tricia Carroll	3.354
24	Stony Brook University	Megan Bryant	3.350
25	Saint Louis University	John Conway	3.345
26	Bucknell University	Heather Rakosik	3.329
27	University of Evansville	Gwen Lewis	3.320
28	South Dakota State University	Joanna Lane	3.315
29	DePaul University	Eugene Lenti	3.310
30	Drake University	Rich Calvert	3.305
31	Winthrop University	Mark Cooke	3.287
31	Lehigh University	Fran Troyan	3.287
33	Tennessee Tech University	Tory Acheson	3.272
34	Baylor University	Glenn Moore	3.271
35	Seton Hall University	Ray Vandermay	3.267
36	Dartmouth College	Christine Vogt	3.260
36	Hofstra University	Bill Edwards	3.260
38	University of Hartford	Todd Randall	3.250
39	Eastern Kentucky University	Jane Worthington	3.245
40	Georgetown University	Pat Conlan	3.240
41	Harvard University	Jenny Allard	3.237
42	University of Dayton	Cara Clark	3.234
43	Sacred Heart University	Elizabeth Luckie & Pam London	3.230
43	Ohio University	Jill Matyuch	3.230
45	Jacksonville University	Amanda Lehotak	3.220
45	University of Arkansas	Jamie Pinkerton	3.220
47	Canisius College	Michael Rappl	3.210
48	Marist College	Erin Layton	3.204
49	Tennessee State University	Joyce Maudie	3.200
50	University of Alabama	Patrick Murphy	3.192
51	University of Nevada, Las Vegas	Lonni Alameda	3.190
51	Charleston Southern University	Jeff Aumend	3.190
51	University of Tulsa	John Bargfeldt	3.190
54	Villanova University	Maria DiBernardi	3.188
55	University of Louisville	Sandy Pearsall	3.186
56	North Dakota State University	Darren Mueller	3.185
56	Indiana University	Stacey Phillips	3.185
58	Drexel University	Kim Camara	3.184
59	University of Tennessee	Ralph & Karen Weekly	3.181
60	University of Toledo	JoAnn Gordon	3.179
61	Saint Joseph's University	Terri Adams	3.176
62	Stanford University	John Rittman	3.170
63	Pennsylvania State University	Robin Petrini	3.160
63	Kennesaw State University	Scott Whitlock	3.160
65	Mississippi Valley State University	Lee Smith	3.153

66	Marshall University	Shonda Stanton	3.152
67	Kent State University	Karen Linder	3.151
68	Centenary College of Louisiana	Mark Montgomery	3.145
69	Illinois State University	Melinda Fischer	3.140
69	University of Kansas	Tracy Bunge	3.140
69	Wichita State University	Mike Perniciaro	3.140
72	Missouri State University	Holly Hesse	3.138
73	Oakland University	Glenn MacDonald	3.126
74	University of South Florida	Ken Eriksen	3.123
75	St. John's University	Amy Kvilhaug	3.121
76	Stetson University	Frank Griffin	3.115
77	University of Virginia	Eileen Schmidt	3.113
78	University of Kentucky	Rachel Lawson	3.110
79	University of Central Florida	Renee Luers-Gillispie	3.098
80	Southeast Missouri State University	Lana Richmond	3.096
81	Appalachian State University	Willie Rucker	3.093
82	University of Delaware	B.J. Ferguson	3.090
83	University of South Carolina Upstate	Chris Hawkins	3.086
84	North Carolina A&T State University	Mamie Jones	3.085
85	Florida State University	JoAnne Graf	3.084
86	Long Island University	Roy Kortmann	3.080
87	University of Iowa	Gayle Blevins	3.079
88	The Ohio State University	Linda Kalafatis	3.060
89	Samford University	Lee Anne Ketchum	3.052
90	University of Pittsburgh	Michelle Phalen	3.050
91	University of the Pacific	Brian Kolze	3.049
92	University of Texas at Arlington	Debbie Hedrick	3.043
93	Cal Poly State University	Jenny Condon	3.040
94	Syracuse University	Leigh Ross	3.033
95	Florida Atlantic University	Joan Joyce	3.023
96	Oklahoma State University	Rich Wieligman	3.022
97	Siena College	Deanna Parks	3.021
98	Delaware State University	Jeff Savage	3.019
99	Fairfield University	Julie Brzezinski	3.013
100	Howard University	Tonja Braxton	3.010
101	Iowa State University	Stacy Gemeinhardt-Cesler	3.007
102	University of Oregon	Kathy Arendsen	3.004
103	Indiana Univ. - Purdue Univ. Indianapolis	Maggie Calcaterra	2.997
104	Norfolk State University	Kary Kankey	2.989
105	North Carolina State University	Lisa Navas	2.987
106	Saint Peter's College	Mike Pelegrino	2.973
107	University of Louisiana at Monroe	Rosemary Holloway	2.970
108	Auburn University	Tina Deese	2.963
109	University of Oklahoma	Patty Gasso	2.960
110	Towson University	Lisa Costello	2.957

111	Boston University	Shawn Rychcik	2.953
112	University of Maine	Stacey Sullivan	2.951
113	Indiana Univ. - Purdue Univ. Fort Wayne	Keith Fisher	2.935
114	University of Akron	Julie Jones	2.922
115	Central Connecticut State University	Mandy Rocznik	2.880
115	University of Houston	Kyla Holas	2.880
117	University of Alabama at Birmingham	Marla Townsend	2.830
118	Purdue University	Kim Maher	2.810

## Division II

Rank	School	Head Coach	GPA
1	Grand Canyon University	Ann Pedersen	3.633
2	Emporia State University	Kristi Bredbenner	3.631
3	Lewis University	George DiMatteo	3.570
4	Grand Valley State University	Doug Woods	3.507
5	C.W. Post - Long Island University	Jamie Apicella	3.490
6	University of Arkansas, Monticello	Alvy Early	3.480
7	Barry University	Danielle Penner	3.479
7	Wilmington College	Erin Harvey	3.479
9	Valdosta State University	Thomas Macera	3.471
10	Francis Marion University	Stacey Vallee	3.470
11	Lynn University	Cherene Castillo	3.446
12	Bentley College	Michele DeGregoris	3.432
13	Caldwell College	Dean Johnson	3.410
14	Wheeling Jesuit University	Stacey Schramm	3.400
15	University of Central Missouri	Susan Anderson	3.398
16	University of Minnesota, Duluth	Jennifer Banford	3.388
17	Missouri Western State College	Jennifer Bagley	3.383
18	University of California, San Diego	Patti Gerckens	3.357
19	Regis University	Dana Lillard	3.347
20	Adelphi University	Paige Smith	3.345
21	Missouri Southern State University	Aron Potter	3.330
22	Newberry College	Joe Elston	3.323
23	West Chester University	Diane Lokey	3.311
24	Minnesota State University, Mankato	Lori Meyer	3.306
25	California University of Pennsylvania	Rick Bertagnolli	3.304
26	Dixie State College	David Dwyer	3.301
27	Limestone College	Jimmy Martin	3.299
27	Wingate University	Michelle Caddigan	3.299
29	Delta State University	David Kuhn	3.296
30	Molloy College	Susan Cassidy-Lyke	3.288
31	The University of Findlay	Ron Ammons	3.287
32	Pace University	Claudia Stabile	3.285
33	Rockhurst University	Galen Struve	3.270

34	Wayne State University	Gary Bryce	3.259
35	West Liberty State College	Herb Minch	3.255
36	University of Colorado at Colorado Springs	Scott Peterson	3.254
37	Bellarmine University	Renee Hicks	3.242
38	Augustana College	Gretta Melsted	3.241
39	Rollins College	Michelle Frew	3.240
40	Saint Leo University	Christi Wade	3.228
41	University of Central Oklahoma	Genny Stidham	3.220
42	University of Missouri, Rolla	Don Kennedy	3.210
43	Ferris State University	Keri Becker	3.199
44	Southeastern Oklahoma State University	Ron Faubion	3.184
45	Nova Southeastern University	Lesla Bonee	3.180
46	University of Nebraska, Omaha	Jeanne Scarpello	3.177
47	Mount Olive College	Jaime Kylis-Higginbotham	3.175
48	Oklahoma Panhandle State University	Nikki Cothran	3.161
49	Catawba College	Nan Whitley	3.159
50	Abilene Christian University	Chantiel Wilson	3.156
51	Henderson State University	Richie Bruister	3.150
52	University of Southern Indiana	Sue Kunkle	3.133
53	Seattle University	Dan Powers	3.124
54	Northern Kentucky University	Kathy Stewart	3.102
55	Florida Southern College	Chris Bellotto	3.069
56	Tusculum College	Fred Gillum	3.065
57	Georgian Court University	Jeffrey Franquet	3.062
58	West Texas A&M University	Kevin Blaskowski	3.050
59	University of Hawaii at Hilo	Callen Perreira	3.038
60	St. Cloud State University	Paula U'Ren	3.006
61	Mesa State College	Kristin Mort	3.000

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### Division III

Rank	School	Head Coach	GPA
1	Emerson College	Phil McElroy	3.548
2	Webster University	Brett Swip	3.520
3	Springfield College	Kathy Mangano	3.487
4	Wartburg College	Kara Kehe	3.475
5	Lynchburg College	Dawn Simmons	3.465
6	Washington University - St. Louis	Leticia Pineda-Boutte	3.464
7	Lebanon Valley College	Stacey Hollinger	3.463
8	Maryville University of St. Louis	Charlie Kennedy	3.462
9	DePauw University	Bonnie Skrenta	3.447
10	College of St. Benedict	Dennis Johnson	3.432
11	MacMurray College	Shelley Whitaker	3.430
12	Hope College	Karla Wolters	3.425

13	Wesleyan University	Jennifer Shea	3.415
14	Oberlin College	Adrienne Davis	3.394
15	College of St. Scholastica	Jen Walter	3.391
16	Elmhurst College	Lori Brown	3.383
17	Saint Mary's College	Erin Sullivan	3.382
18	Rhodes College	David Hicks	3.380
18	Wheaton College	Chris Hudson	3.380
18	Grove City College	Chelle Fuss	3.380
21	Williams College	Kris Herman	3.374
22	Muhlenberg College	Ruth Gibbs	3.370
22	Clark University	Linda Wage	3.370
24	Colorado College	Tina Johnson	3.369
25	Ithaca College	Deb Pallozzi	3.360
26	Martin Luther College	Barbara Leopold	3.357
27	Emory University	Penny Siqueiros	3.351
28	Skidmore College	Kelly Schwarz	3.334
29	Clarke College	Cara Clark	3.328
30	University of Chicago	Ruth Kmak	3.319
31	Adrian College	Molly Moore	3.318
32	The College of New Jersey	Sally Miller	3.297
33	Kean University	Margie Acker	3.293
34	Augustana College	Kris Kistler	3.290
34	Piedmont College	Terry Martin	3.290
34	Spelman College	Joe Brown, Jr. Ph.D.	3.290
37	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	Brian Shearer	3.276
38	Nebraska Wesleyan	Lance Kingery	3.275
39	Luther College	Renaë Hartl	3.271
40	Hiram College	Kristin Tassej	3.270
41	Baptist Bible College	Bill Higley	3.268
42	Wittenberg University	Becky Hall	3.264
43	Kenyon College	Stephanie Monday	3.260
44	Smith College	Julie Perrelli	3.254
45	Gustavus Adolphus College	Jeff Annis	3.250
46	Hood College	Tricia Fiut	3.248
47	Coe College	Bob Timmons	3.247
47	King's College	Lisa Gigliello	3.247
49	Widener University	Fred Dohrmann	3.232
50	Augsburg College	Tim Gormley	3.231
51	College of St. Catherine	Madge Makowske	3.230
52	Eureka College	Karen Sweitzer	3.228
53	University of Texas at Dallas	Kimberly Sotomayor	3.223
54	Susquehanna University	Kathy Kroupa	3.210
54	Swarthmore College	Renee Clarke	3.210
56	St. Joseph's College	Al Sciangula	3.203
57	Saint Mary's University of Minnesota	Jen Miller	3.201

57	University of Rochester	Michelle Burrell	3.201
59	Bates College	Gwen Lexow	3.200
59	Ferrum College	Vickie Van Kleeck	3.200
61	Transylvania University	Michelle Manning	3.193
62	University of St. Thomas	John Tschida	3.189
63	Alma College	Denny Griffin	3.187
64	University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire	Leslie Huntington	3.173
65	Beloit College	Kim Zarling	3.172
66	Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham	Dante Fedeli	3.170
66	Ohio Northern University	Annette Hunt-Shepherd	3.170
68	University of Wisconsin - La Crosse	Chris Helixon	3.168
69	SUNY Geneseo	Tony Ciccarello	3.167
70	University of Wisconsin, Whitewater	Brenda Volk	3.165
71	Rowan University	Kim Wilson	3.162
72	College of Saint Elizabeth	Lisa Goddard Root	3.146
73	St. Olaf College	Ruth Neuger	3.120
74	Lawrence University	Kim Tatro	3.110
75	Hardin-Simmons University	Rita Jordan	3.108
76	Elizabethtown College	Kathy Staib	3.100
77	Messiah College	Amy Weaver	3.081
78	University of Texas at Tyler	Mike Reed	3.060
79	Bethany College	Jan Forsty	3.058
80	University of Pittsburgh at Bradford	Tina Phillips	3.050
81	Simpson College	Henry Christowski	3.044
82	DeSales University	Rachel Turoscy	3.040
83	Central College	George Wares	3.030
84	La Roche College	Oreste Gentile	3.020
85	Emory & Henry College	Shannon Farley	2.990
85	Centre College	Wendie Austin-Robinson	2.990
87	North Central College	Jim Kulawiak	2.891
88	University of the Ozarks	Elizabeth Caroscio	2.780

## NAIA

Rank	School	Head Coach	GPA
1	University of Rio Grande	David Pyles	3.648
2	William Woods University	Tracy Gastineau	3.533
3	Oklahoma City University	Phil McSpadden	3.494
4	Peru State College	Mark Mathews	3.491
5	Saint Xavier University	Myra Minuskin	3.470
6	Mt. Vernon Nazarene University	Jeana Howald	3.453
7	Lindenwood University	Don Loberg	3.420
8	Concordia University	Frank Greene	3.415
9	Tiffin University	Brian Campbell	3.403
10	Columbia College	Wendy Spratt	3.395
11	Grand View College	Lou Yacinich	3.360

12	Campbellsville University	Shannon Wathen	3.351
13	Central Methodist University	Pat Reardon	3.337
14	Iowa Wesleyan College	Mike Hampton	3.325
15	University of St. Francis	Dick Smith	3.303
16	Dana College	Marcy Roff	3.295
17	McKendree College	Evelyn Bean	3.290
18	Houston Baptist University	Mary-Ellen Hall	3.267
19	Spring Arbor University	Deb Thompson	3.265
20	Ursuline College	Susan Woodford	3.240
21	Ohio Dominican University	Marcella Vanlandingham	3.238
22	Judson University	Becky Bruns	3.230
23	Briar Cliff University	Heather Hupke	3.228
24	Savannah College of Art & Design	Terri Knecht	3.227
25	William Penn University	Mike Christner	3.217
26	Evangel University	Jerry Breaux	3.200
27	Emmanuel College	Ricky Sanders	3.170
28	Belhaven College	Rick Fremin	3.150
28	Robert Morris College	Megan Smith-Eggert	3.150
30	Olivet Nazarene University	Ritchie Richardson	3.149
31	Madonna University	Al White	3.135
32	Indiana Institute of Technology	Becky Norris	3.087
33	Georgetown College	Thomas Thornton	3.064
34	Morningside College	Jessica Jones-Sitzman	3.051
35	William Carey University	Wendy Hogue	3.026
36	Faulkner University	Hal Wynn	3.020

### Junior College

Rank	School	Head Coach	GPA
1	Western Texas College	Rome McNary	3.582
2	Coffeyville Community College	Chrystal Vega	3.547
3	Wallace State Community College	Jayne Clem	3.513
4	Phoenix College	Heinz Mueller	3.410
5	Lamar Community College	Craig Brooks	3.390
6	Chattanooga State Technical College	Beth Keylon-Randolph	3.389
8	Indian Hills Community College	Jennifer Sabourin	3.350
7	Sussex County Community College	Nick DeGennaro	3.351
9	Iowa Western Community College	Lana Ross	3.342
10	Parkland College	Chuck Clutts	3.326
11	Salt Lake Community College	Mary Kay Amicone	3.270
12	College of Southern Idaho	Nick Baumert	3.255
13	Northeast Miss. Community College	Jody Long	3.206
14	Triton College	Art Kasak	3.201
15	Vernon College	John Blair	3.180
16	Western Nebraska Community College	Maria Winn-Ratziff	3.150
17	Cleveland State Community College	Suzanne Bayne	3.094

18	Lansing Community College	Bob Every	3.021
19	San Jose City College	Debbie Huntze-Rooney	3.010
20	McLennan Community College	Manuel Ordonez	3.003
21	Johnson County Community College	Frank Barnes	3.000
22	Solano Community College	Terri Pearson-Bloom	2.969
23	Sacramento City College	Robert Maglione	2.920
24	Porterville College	Vickie Dugan	2.883
25	Meridian Community College	Robert Eakins	2.803
26	Gordon College	Ally Carter-Hatterman	2.800
27	Blinn College	Rick Church	2.780
28	Ancilla College	Scott Reese	2.641

### High School (weighted)

Rank	School	Head Coach	GPA
1	Splendora High School (TX)	Val Weldon	4.407
2	Belleville West High School (IL)	Bob Yagge	4.173
3	Adlai E. Stevenson High School (IL)	Larry Friedrichs	3.915
4	Washburn Rural High School (KS)	Brenda Holaday	3.912
5	Osceola High School (FL)	George Coffey	3.882
6	Keller High School (TX)	Moe Fritz	3.840
7	Ennis High School (TX)	Rodney McNeill	3.830
8	Rowland Hall - St. Mark's School (UT)	Kathy Howa	3.800
9	Union High School (NC)	Douglas Burley	3.797
10	Metro Christian Academy (OK)	Tanya Cerar	3.794
10	Gulliver Preparatory School (FL)	Mark Schusterman	3.794
12	Buffalo Grove High School (IL)	Laura Stock	3.792
13	Yorktown High School (VA)	Ronald Huling	3.779
14	Cinco Ranch High School (TX)	Kerry Simpson	3.753
15	Westmont Hilltop High School (PA)	Tina Morrow	3.744
16	Bishop Miege High School (KS)	D.J. Gemmill	3.731
17	Lassen High School (CA)	Paul Moore	3.726
17	Pearland High School (TX)	Laneigh Clark	3.726
19	Elyria High School (OH)	Kenneth Fenik	3.718
20	Moon Valley High School (AZ)	Tom James	3.707
21	Blythewood High School (SC)	Bucky Ware	3.691
22	Hilliard Davidson High School (OH)	Angelo Forte	3.690
23	Orangewood Christian School (FL)	Tim Covey	3.680
24	Reeds Spring High School (MO)	Scott Walker	3.637
25	Barrington High School (IL)	Perry Peterson	3.625
26	Easton High School (MD)	Jan Greenhawk	3.610
27	Southaven High School (MS)	Shane Staten	3.586
28	Olathe East High School (KS)	Jeff Hulse	3.572
29	Oklahoma Christian Academy (OK)	Becky Campbell	3.570
30	Glynn Academy (GA)	Robert Fortel	3.560
31	Kennesaw Mountain High School (GA)	Lisa Chapman	3.533

32	Prairie Heights High School (IN)	Terry Swick	3.530
32	Sandra Day O'Connor High School (AZ)	Melissa Shepherd	3.530
32	Vestavia Hills High School (AL)	Jennifer Brown	3.530
35	Garland High School (TX)	Cindy Mosteller	3.523
36	Belleville East High School (IL)	Natalie Peters	3.511
37	Pennsville Memorial High School (NJ)	Herb Bacon	3.510
37	Saint Francis De Sales High School (OH)	Julie Barber	3.510
39	Lutheran South Academy (TX)	Mark Shirley	3.508
40	Madison County High School (GA)	Doug Kesler	3.506
41	Armijo High School (CA)	Rick Newman	3.500
42	Talawanda High School (OH)	Melissa Metzger	3.494
43	Mount St. Dominic Academy (NJ)	Lorenzo Sozio	3.492
44	Pickerington North High School (OH)	Molly Feesler	3.490
45	Our Lady of Good Counsel H.S. (MD)	Paula Obal	3.477
46	Shawnee Mission South H.S. (KS)	Shaun Henry	3.450
46	Ooltewah High School (TN)	Norma Nelson	3.450
48	Storm Lake High School (IA)	Jason Stoltzfus	3.440
49	Olathe North High School (KS)	Sarah Hanson	3.433
50	Cajon High School (CA)	Jerry Tivey	3.420
51	Star City High School (AR)	Greg White	3.418
52	St. Amant High School (LA)	Scott Nielson	3.339
53	Redwood High School (CA)	Robert Rooney	3.326
54	St. Patrick-St. Vincent High School (CA)	Rich Gigliotti	3.269
55	Greenville High School (OH)	Jerrod Newland	3.266
56	Brenham High School (TX)	Wade Wilson	3.250
57	Broadneck High School (MD)	James Ware	3.247
58	Spencerport High School (NY)	Deborah Loughlin	3.207
59	Danville Community High School (IN)	Shirley Startzman	3.203
60	Cave Springs High School (VA)	Beth Mast	3.183
61	City View High School (TX)	Jeff Roberts	3.180
62	Austin-McCallum High School (TX)	Richard Fidelman	3.157
63	St. Pius X High School (NM)	Mark Rhoten	3.150
64	Dixon High School (CA)	Amy Circo	3.020

### High School (non-weighted)

Rank	School	Head Coach	GPA
1	Hopkins High School (MN)	Anne Campbell	3.934
2	Piedmont High School (OK)	Rick Scott	3.730
3	Seymour High School (TX)	Barbara Burnett	3.682
4	Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School (MN)	Julie Detjen	3.680
5	Milford High School (NE)	Tom McCall	3.667
6	Shadle Park High School (WA)	George Lynn	3.648
7	Rochester Adams High School (MI)	Fran Scislowicz	3.630
8	Hockinson High School (WA)	Ken Nidick	3.603
9	Lena-Winslow High School (IL)	Charles Born	3.600

10	St. Thomas Aquinas High School (KS)	Christine Orel	3.583
11	Bloomington Kennedy High School (MN)	Fred Wroge	3.569
12	Reese High School (MI)	Andrew Behmlander	3.531
13	Milwaukee Lutheran High School (WI)	Monica Smith Siebarth	3.528
14	Wayland-Cohocton High School (NY)	Dave Stewart	3.525
15	Owensboro Catholic High School (KY)	George Randolph	3.507
16	Benjamin Russell High School (AL)	Pamela Robinson	3.499
17	Winnetonka High School (MO)	Ken Steeples	3.479
18	Village Christian High School (CA)	Mike Delaney	3.468
19	Carmel High School (IN)	Emily Good	3.467
20	North Side High School (TN)	Bob Lay	3.465
21	Tyler Consolidated High School (WV)	Charlene Galluzzo	3.460
22	West Monroe High School (LA)	Amy Daigle	3.455
23	Albertville High School (AL)	Paul Woodruff	3.450
24	Easton Area High School (PA)	Edward McIntyre	3.431
25	Chamberlain High School (FL)	Bob Diez	3.406
26	Jefferson County High School (GA)	Anna Lush	3.386
27	Bishop Kelly High School (ID)	Wes Worrell	3.366
28	Holy Cross High School (KY)	David Frankrone	3.350
28	William Penn Charter School (PA)	Don Mittica	3.350
30	Sault Area High School (MI)	Linda Bouvet	3.340
31	Harvard-Westlake High School (CA)	Terry Elledge	3.337
32	Liberty High School (SC) (SC)	Sherry Haithcock	3.334
33	Flint Powers Catholic High School (MI)	Tom Stasik	3.330
34	Loogootee Community High School (IN)	Greg Clark	3.322
35	Brighton High School (MI)	Pam Lee-Campbell	3.320
36	Gettysburg High School (PA)	Max Liang	3.310
37	Mountain View High School (ID)	Judy Crandell	3.225
38	Georgetown-Ridge Farm High School (IL)	Lucas Grider	3.212
39	Trenton High School (MI)	John Biedenbach	3.207
40	Nemo Vista High School (AK)	Scott Perry	3.200
41	JH Rose High School (NC)	Chris Challender	3.110
42	Bell High School (FL)	David Halter	3.092
43	Huntingtown High School (MD)	Michael Johnson	3.051
44	Clovis High School (CA)	Mike Noel	3.050
45	Frederick High School (OK)	Miles Smith	3.042

## *Girl's Windmill Pitching Now On Line!*

Thanks to Jan Greenhawk, who is the Webmaster for the Lady Orioles 16U site, you won't have to miss an issue of my newsletter. I know that glitches in the email system occasionally occur or the computer crashes or maybe the CD's you save them to become unreadable. Help has arrived. Simply go to <http://ladyorioles.org/> and click on the link at the top of the page that says "Bill Dryden's Windmill Pitching" and follow it to the on line version and read it or download it or go directly to [www.windmillpitching.org](http://www.windmillpitching.org) You must have Adobe Reader (a free download from adobe.com) in order to read the latest ones (.pdf). Some of the older issues are done in Microsoft Word (.doc) and will appear differently when Jan has them uploaded to the site. They are also slower to download than the .pdf. Thanks to Jan for the idea and for setting it up. While you are there, check out the latest news on the Lady O's and the other fine links that Jan has included.

## *Andy Givens Private Hitting Instruction*

If you are in need of good hitting, bunting and slapping instruction contact Andy Givens at (302) 228-7960.

Andy has a nice indoor, heated facility near Georgetown, DE and is a patient, complete instructor for the serious student. His clear instruction and great sense of humor make him an ideal instructor and now, during the off-season, is the time to learn new techniques and work on correcting problem areas in your swing. Andy has worked as an Assistant Coach for the Delaware Tech JUCO baseball program, Assistant and Head coach for the Delaware Tech JUCO softball program and is the Head Coach of the Delaware Diamonds 14u Black.

Call him and get in before he fills up. Now is the time to do it.

*Clinic Time is Getting Nearer*



I am happy to announce that the Maryland Stars have asked me to conduct a pitching clinic again this year. This time Glen Warholic is bringing me in on Saturdays and Sundays beginning in mid-November. The starting date should be around November 17th. Saturdays should be 4:00-8:30 and Sundays will start at 1:00 and run through whatever we need to include everyone. A maximum of 4 pitchers will be allowed in each 45-minute session.. The Maryland Stars pitchers will get first choice for the clinics before pitchers outside the Star program fill any spots. Get your request in to Glen early to reserve any open spots the Stars do not take. Contact him at: [gawarho@marylandstars.org](mailto:gawarho@marylandstars.org)



I am scheduled to return to do the PA Intensity clinics in Hanover, PA again this fall and winter. These clinics will be held on Saturday mornings and each session will be 45 minutes with a maximum of 4 students. We are looking at 2 6-week sessions beginning with December 1, 8, and 15 and January 5, 12, and 19. Session 2 would be February 2, 9, 16 and 23 and March 8 and 15. Make up dates for weather, etc would be included. I enjoyed working with all of the talented girl in Southern PA and look forward to doing it again. Anyone wanting information can contact Stacey Mack at: [smack1@usa.com](mailto:smack1@usa.com)

### *Private Lessons*

Private 30-minute lessons are ongoing at the following locations:

I am in Bishopville, MD (near Ocean City, MD) Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Get your name on the list for any openings that arise.

I am in Georgetown, DE Tuesday evenings.

Again, if you are interested get your name on the list.

Email me for either at: [billdryden1@comcast.net](mailto:billdryden1@comcast.net)

### *News and Tournament Results.*

Remember last week I mentioned that in the Stephen Decatur vs. Colonel Richardson Volleyball match, freshman Holly Melson played a whole 3 minutes and got her photo in the Dailey Times? Well Holly's playing time for the SD Varsity is increasing all of the time as she proves herself. Check out the Dailey Times photo on the next page of the muscular Ms Melson.



*Melson Muscles: Dig the cuts in those deltoids!!*

Chuck Fisher moved his Lady Oriole team from 14U to 16U this fall and of course immediately went out and played an 18U tournament.

The coaches were very proud of how the team fared under 18U fire.

After driving 3 hours, they were delayed by rain another two hours.

Their first pool game was against eventual tournament winner North Penn 18U, a 2<sup>nd</sup> year 18U team which won the game 5-0. Kayla Mohr pitched well in the contest, walking 4 and allowing only 1 earned run.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> pool game allowed Sydnee Schorr to take the mound and come away with a 0-0 tie against Lower Mac-PA 18U. Rachel Prestridge made a fantastic backhand play at short with 2 outs and runners on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the top of the 7<sup>th</sup> to maintain the tie.

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> pool game Kayla took the mound again and the Lady Orioles lost to the Clifton Cobras.

In the elimination game against the Frenchville Her-a- canes Sydnee Schorr again took the mound in a 4-1 loss. Defensive miscues hurt the team in this game despite good pitching by Schorr.

The team hit the ball fairly well over the course of the weekend, but the key hits in clutch situations eluded them.

The coaches were happy with maturity and effort by the girls against the 18U teams.

The team will continue tournaments with the Scholastic Showcase in Glen Burnie when they take on the Ulster Fillies from NY, Gambrills's Angels from MD, Riviera Beach Spirit from MD and the SYA Xplosion out of VA.

This weekend the Lady Orioles 18U team took the field for the first time and had a good outing in Covington, VA.

In game one against the VA Class Action Scrappers 18U, we unfortunately fell 6-4.

However, Hayley Stueckler had a 3-run homer and a double.

A.J. Ponce' had 2 hits, scored a run and stole a base. Jordan Eades started on the mound, went 3 innings, allowing 3 runs (0 earned), had 3 K's, 0 walks, and allowed 2 hits. She was followed by Cassie Greenhawk who pitched 2 innings, allowing 3 runs (0 earned), allowing 4 hits with 2 K's and 0 walks. Next was Chelsea Ponce' who pitched 1 inning allowing 1 run (earned), 2 hits, 1 walk and 2 K's.

In game 2 we played the Lady Mustangs and managed a 5-4 win. Kayla Martinez had 2 hits, scored a run and had 2 RBI's. A.J. Ponce' had a hit and scored a run. Shannon Crather had a triple, 2 RBI's, and scored a run. Hayley Stueckler had a double and an RBI.

Chelsea Ponce' had 2 hits, while MaryAnn Becker and Stephanie Martin each had a hit and scored a run. Freshman Elspeth Schalk had her first 18U hit.

On the mound Hayley Stueckler started and allowed 4 runs in 2 innings (0 earned) and had 1 K and 2 walks. She was followed by Elspeth Schalk, making her first 18U pitching appearance, pitching 2 innings, allowing 0 runs on 1 hit with 5 K's. Kayla Martinez closed out the game, going 2 innings with 0 runs on 0 hits with 4 K's. Kayla Martinez also threw a runner out at 1<sup>st</sup> from right field.

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> game of the day, Kayla Martinez had a double, an RBI and scored a run. A.J. Ponce' had 2 hits, scored a run and had an RBI. Chelsea Ponce' had 3 hits, scored 2 runs and drove in an RBI. Cassie Greenhawk had 2 hits and scored a run, while MaryAnn Becker had 2 hits and scored a run, and Shelby Jones had a hit, stole 2 bases and scored a run. Kelly Trimble, in her first 18U tournament had a hit and an RBI. The Lady O's won 8-0. Kayla Martinez went 5 innings, allowing 4 hits with 9 K's and 1 walk. Jordan Eades closed the game with 1 inning, allowing 0 runs on 1 hit with 2 strikeouts.

In game 4 of the day against the Richmond Ruckus, the Lady O's lost 1-0 in a pitcher's battle. Chelsea Ponce' had 2 hits, while MaryAnn Becker, A.J. Ponce', and Hayley Stueckler had a hit each. On the mound Chelsea Ponce' pitched 7 innings allowing 1 run (earned), allowing 3 hits, with 5 K's and a walk.

Game 5 came on Sunday and the O's once again faced the Mustangs. This time we won 9-0. Chelsea Ponce' doubled and scored 2 runs. A.J. Ponce' had a hit and scored a run. Shelby Jones scored a run. Hayley Stueckler had 2 hits, including a double, scored 2 runs and had 3 RBI's. Shannon Crather had 2 doubles, scored a run and had 3 RBI's. MaryAnn Becker had a hit, and RBI and scored a run. Elspeth Schalk had a triple, an RBI, and scored a run. Kayla Martinez had a double and an RBI.

Jordan Eades pitched 5 innings, allowed 0 runs, on 1 hit, walked 1 and struck out 8.

In the last game of the tournament for the Lady Orioles, the Vienna Stars won 5-1. Chelsea Ponce' and Kelley Trimble had 2 hits each. A.J. Ponce', Cassie Greenhawk, Elspeth Schalk and Jordan Eades each hit a hit, while Eades had an RBI and Hayley Stueckler scored a run. Chelsea Ponce' started the game, went 3 2/3 innings allowing 4 runs (earned) with 3 walks and 3 K's. She was followed by Kayla Martinez who went 1 1/3 innings, allowing 4 hits and 2 walks. Next was Jordan Eades who went 2 innings with 0 runs, 1 hit and 2 K's.

We did have several strong defensive plays in this game. Shannon Crather, A.J. Ponce' and Shelby Jones combined for a double play at first and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Jones was the left fielder covering 3<sup>rd</sup>. Cassie Greenhawk made a diving catch in right center field where she had to cover a lot of ground from center.

For the first time out it was a nice outing with a talent-laden team showing a lot of promise as they begin to gel.

Unfortunately Jordon Degennaro injured her foot early crossing first base and had to exit the tournament early. She is going to the orthopedist today and we certainly wish her a speedy recovery.

Jan Greenhawk's Easton High School Warriors are listed in those top High School Academic teams above and we congratulate Coach Greenhawk for the honor.

Congratulations to Hayley Stueckler for her verbal to the University of Maryland. We are happy for you Hayley and glad you are a part of our team.