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SUNDAY OCTOBER 23rd, 2022

#### Today's Championship Schedule

F/S American Championship Game San Jose Giants vs RI / PR Cardinals 9:00am Tempe Diablo Stadium

F/S Central Championship Game TABU vs Charros 9:00am Maryvale 4

F/S Cactus Championship Game Game 3 winner vs Game 4 winner 12:30pm Tempe Diablo Stadium

F/S Zona Championship Game **HEZ Team vs Utah BSD** 9:00am Maryvale 5

#### **Today's Playoff Schedule**

F/S Cactus Semi-final

Modesto Thunder vs San Antonio W Sox 9:00am Tempe 1 - Game 3

So Cal Gamecocks vs Team Hawaii 9:00am Tempe 2 - Game 4

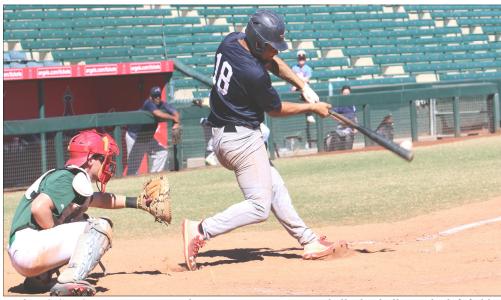
#### **MSBL Lifetime Achievement Award** Recipient: Joe Banasik, Houston

Steve LaMontia, Director of Communications Joe Banasik started playing baseball in Houston in 1993 while in his mid-20s. Fast forward 30 years and the 54-year-old Banasik is now running the show! The Houston Hardball League is under his wing and one of the most successful and productive leagues under the MSBL banner.

Because of Joe's hard work and dedication in running things there in Texas, and for his achievements on the field both in the league and at the MSBL World Series in Arizona, MSBL Founder and President Steve Sigler has named Joe the 2022 recipient of the MSBL Lifetime Achievement Award. "For many years I have taken on league duties day by day, month by month, year by year facing each challenge head on,' explained Banasik. "We have accomplished so many things, such as building new baseball fields, playing at some of the finest high school fields in our area, and even playing a game at Minute Maid Park. One of the biggest accomplishments, which totally goes unnoticed, has been preserving and maintaining our ongoing relationship with the city for so (continued on page 2)

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## **Week 1 Games Wrap Up** As Week 2 Games Begin!



Father & Son Sacramento Braves batter, Daunte Freeman drills this ball into the left field corner yesterday during the championship game at Tempe Diablo Stadium with Kansas City

#### Lou Myers - MSBL World Series UIC and Hall of Fame Member

Washington Generals Pro Basketball Player - Rubbed Elbows With Harry Truman By Tom Prendergast

We struggled getting umpires the first couple years until we found, Lou Myers. A Chicago native, Lou worked for Delta Airlines for 30+ years at their O'Hare hub. He was the go to guy and knew all of the celebrities in the city. When Mayor Daly needed a flight, he called Lou. So did Sam Giancona, Bobby Hull, Stan Mikita and Dick Butkus. One day, former President Harry Truman showed up and asked Lou for some liquid refreshment. Lou brought him a bottle of Jack Daniels and a glass, and talked with him for two hours. After he retired, he moved to Mesa and started scheduling basketball officials for Motorola. Tempe Diablo stadium director, Joel Weeks told us he knew a guy who would be perfect for the MSBL. We met with him the next day and offered him the job on the spot. In no time at all, Lou was able to recruit plenty of new officials for us and our umpiring issues were solved. Raised in the south, he was incredibly outgoing. Nobody did customer service better than he did. When he met you, the first thing he would say was; "Can I help you?" and he meant it. Lou was a remarkable fixture at the MSBL WS for 27 years and never met a person he didn't like!

70+ National Championship	Game
Sacramento Tribe	9
LA Athletics	2

70+ Central Championship Game Chicago North TSP Fire Colorado Cardinals



### 70+ Cactus Championship Game 2

Fresno Grizzlies

F/S National Championship Game Sacramento Braves Kansas City A's

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(continued from page 1) many years in such a volatile environment. I do, however, get about a dozen 'Thank You's' throughout the year, normally from the older guys, and that means so much to me as they appreciate the hard work that has gone into this. Although none of us do this for the money or recognition, receiving the Lifetime Achievement Award feels great knowing that in the big picture of all things MSBL, I am appreciated and recognized as

I am humble to share the spot light with so many other great league leaders that have kept this adult baseball program going year after year. Like thousands of others who played in leagues just like this, my baseball 'journey' has landed me hundreds of friends, relationships, and countless memories. You can never put a price on that."

The E-Commerce Developer from Spring, Texas is married to 'my best friend and wife' Misty and they share a teenage son, Joseph. Joe also has a son and daughter from a previous marriage who both recently graduated from Texas A&M and are both working as engineers. Joe also runs a baseball business in Spring, Texas called 'American Pastime Sports.' So, what about your baseball roots?

"I never had the opportunity to play organized baseball as a kid due to family logistics being able to get me to games and practices. My first opportunity to play was when I tried out and made my High School team as an outfielder. I was fast and could run down almost any ball hit in the gaps, as long as it 'hung up there.' I also tried to walk-on in college at SE Louisiana and Sam Houston State but was not selected. Fortunately, a few years later I found a local MSBL league in Houston and have been playing ever since. I still love playing the game today just as much as back then, although body parts hurt for about a week afterwards!" Joe's current baseball itinerary includes playing outfield and managing the 35+ Marauders in his league. In Arizona at the World Series, he has played for the 18+ Sky Sox, 35+ and 45+ Rockies, and the 50+ Skeeters.

"This year we are taking a Father/Son team for the first time. We will be the Yard Goats in the Central division. I've waited 15 years for my son to be of age for us to play together and we're both very excited."

What are some of the highlights of your baseball career?

"Being able to play ball on the MLB Spring Training fields is always amazing, but being able to play on the same field with my son for the first time will absolutely be the highlight of my MSBL participation. When my son was around one year old, we took him to Arizona for one of my MSBL tournaments

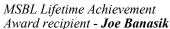
and I was hoping that one day we could do this tournament together, and here we are. One of the pictures we cherish is a picture of our son sitting on top of home plate at Maryvale from his first visit. Now looking at the schedule for Father/Son this year, the Father/Son Championship game is zoned at Maryvale so it would be amazing to play there and recreate that photo."

I asked Joe if there are any individuals he would like to thank in helping his baseball career take flight? "As the President of Houston Hardball League, I am always thankful to my Vice-President Steve Folk who keeps me grounded and realistic when it comes to decision making. Also, I would like to thank our League Commissioners Dean Cosme, Ward Brigham, and newcomer Cambo Nelson, who help us sort through the drama as it arises.

I appreciate all their help and support and would not be able to lead such a large organization without their help. Thank you, guys! As far as my amateur career as a washed-up has-been recreational baseball player, I am always grateful to my wife and kids for understanding and supporting my passion." Any final thoughts?

"MSBL has given us the structure and opportunity to maintain a successful organization throughout the test of time. We will always have competing leagues in Houston who will replicate the original MSBL process, tweak it here and there to appeal to a certain crowd normally by cutting corners for lower prices, and offer inexpensive shiny things. Regardless, our league remains strong based on overall value and we still provide the ability to travel and play against other teams abroad whereas others do not. We may not be the largest as far as volume of teams but as long we have support by guys who want to keep the dream alive then I would consider our league the very best there is!"







The Father & Son National Division Sacramento Braves won the championship title with an explosive 16-4 victory over the Kansas City A's, yesterday morning at Tempe Diablo Stadium.

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F/S Sacramento Braves pitcher, **Daunte Freeman** hustles over to the bag to snag the throw before KC A's batter/runner **TJ Klawitter** reaches first base yesterday.



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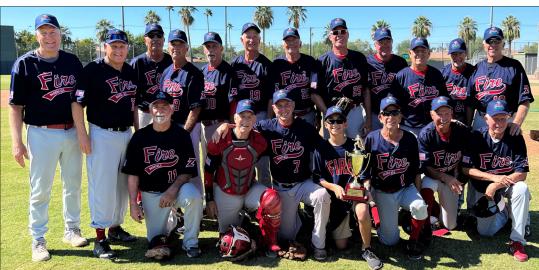
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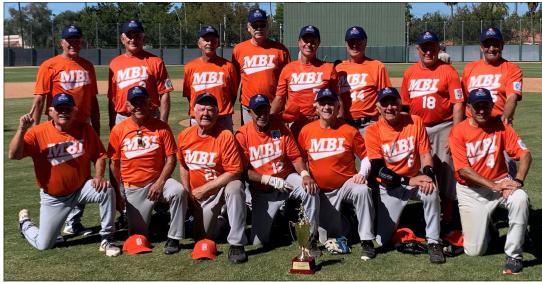
The Sacramento Tribe were certainly the underdogs going into the 70+ National championship game with the LA Athletics. But these guys showed some incredible resilience and came away with an impressive 9-2 win and another MSBL WS title!



F/S Sacramento Braves batter, Andy Layman went 4 for 5, and 2 rbi's!



The Chicago North TSP Fire have been in plenty of MSBL WS championship games including yesterday's 9-2 win over the Colorado Cardinals in the 70+ Central championship game at Fitch.



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F/S National Kansas City pitcher, **Kyle Barnett** delivers a pitch yesterday