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Jerry Klemm, DCMSBL National

Hall of Fame Inductee
By Steve LaMontia,
Director of Communications
67-year-old Jerry Klemm
resides in Falls Church,
Virginia, a mere seven miles
from our nation's capital.



He is the commissioner of the long-standing and amazingly successful 42-team DCMSBL and is league president Larry Lombardi's right-hand man. His association with the league began in 1991 and his baseball resume also includes being a multi-year participant in the MSBL World Series in Arizona. Because of Jerry's lengthy association with MSBL and his dedication to the task of assuring that the DCMSBL remains one of the crown jewels in the MSBL family, MSBL Founder and President Steve Sigler has inducted Jerry into the 2022 class on the MSBL National Hall of Fame.

"This award means that I must be doing something right, though I don't know what that may have been," expressed Klemm. "It is very humbling. While it is a wonderful honor, it was never a goal. I did not expect this at all. I'm very thankful to Steve Sigler and others with the vision to find ways for grown men to play hardball. I have always been content to just get people locally to play ball. People are my focus and have always been." Jerry is a chiropractor, which generally makes him the most popular man in the league! He and Mariana have two sons, Jeremy and Chistopher, and two grandchildren, Caileigh and Max. They are understandably Jerry's biggest supporters and have shared in his trips to Arizona for the World Series. He last participated in 2012 after beginning the journey in 1999. "I do miss Arizona. A lot of it is the simple fact that I did not have to schedule things, arrange umpires, make sure the supplies are all there, field complaints, or repair fields. I could just show up, play, spend quality time with Mariana and the family, and not organize. Yes, I surely miss that." Back in DC, his plate remains full as Larry Lombardi's sidekick as commissioner. "I get the nasty stuff, like dealing with (continued on page 2) suspensions,

35+ Teams Begin Pool Play As 45+ / 60+ Reach Midway



60+ Cactus Mustang Baseball Club batter, **Steve Kleinpeter** gets good wood on this ball as he drives in a run with the bases loaded at Tempe Diablo Stadium yesterday afternoon.

MSBL WS Games "Live Internet Broadcast" Debuts at the 2007 Tourney 20th Anniversary Year For the MSBL In Arizona / We Embrace The World Wide Web By Tom Prendergast

We've certainly come along way when it comes to embracing technology at the MSBL World Series. In years 3 and 4, the novelty shop (inside Tempe Diablo stadium), was where we posted all of the division standings. We did this by using big boards, with velcro team names and stick on numbers. Similar to how they would change the scoreboard at Wrigley field in Chicago. In 2001, we started using Scorebook.com (which allowed us to post game scores in real time) and allowed our players to view the up to the minute standings. So this was huge and it really gave our team managers information they needed based on how the other teams were doing in their division,

But the biggest transformation we made took place in 2007 (at our twentieth anniversary) when we started using the internet, to stream a game every day from Tempe Diablo Stadium. Joel Becker, did the play-by-play and Ken Vanderpoel was his color commentator. Each day of the tournament, the "live" broadcast opened with an informative pregame show, in which Joel and Ken would report on the morning games and then give a preview of that day's game (which included a dugout interview with each manager). And of course, just like any radio broadcast, they would conduct - in game interviews (from the booth), with MSBL league presidents and dignitaries. In addition to being available through the MSBL national website, you could also tune in to a local AM channel, but it could only be heard in the stadium.

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(continued from page 1) ejections, and rule interpretations and challenges. I leave all of the administrative stuff to Larry. I am very proud in helping to create a league committee, comprised of five veteran players who determine what to do as a group so that I am not doing it alone. There are times it can slow the process if there are votes tied or something, but it's not about speed. It's about doing it right. I stay out of their discussions and I don't vote unless needed. Their discussions are always very worthwhile." Jerry has since hung up the spikes (2012) and is purely administration, which is his way of staying close to the game. His resume includes playing a year of college ball at George Mason University. After his first practice with the Mudhens in 1991 in the then 30-over DCMSBL, he was told he was the starting shortstop and clean-up hitter. He was officially back in the game! "I miss the dugout craziness and interactions on the field but I can't say I miss playing. I've been playing since I was five years old. I played long enough that I accomplished everything I wanted to so I'm satisfied that I left it all on the field. I also miss playing all those years in the Father/Son division of the World Series. We made some lasting memories there." Speaking of the World Series, are there any crazy moments? "I first went in 1995 and was told I was going to catch. OK, no problem. Then I found out I was catching ex-pro Bill Lee! That was certainly a thrill. Afterwards he told me I could have gone somewhere in the game. Maybe he said that to everyone but it made me feel good. I also ended up catching every inning of the tournament. Welcome to Arizona, Jerry!" Regarding the DCMSBL playbook, is there a directive that you and (continued on page 3) Larry strive to

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adhere to? "We try very hard to give everyone a 'level playing field' and do whatever we can to make our coaches' jobs as easy as possible. The late Roger Stanley and Jim Beck laid the groundwork for DCMSBL and allowed me to help run the league. he passionate players and coaches of the DCMSBL, under Larry's guidance, are why we succeed. I thank them for putting up with me! Also, the league benefits from the influence of current veterans like Garland Cooper and Tim O'Brien. Garland is about 75 now and keeps himself in remarkable physical shape and actually hit a wood bat home run at 70! Tim is 73 and a rubber-armed pitcher. We are great friends. They are very solid people who are very supportive and an inspiration to all of us." I asked Jerry to share any final thoughts based on his over 30 years of involvement with MSBL. "We are all out there to play baseball and none of this goes into our permanent file. If you can't have fun on a baseball field, you can't have fun anywhere. Yes, there is something about the elusive goal of wanting a championship ring. I was fortunate to get a ring with our Father/Son team in 2002. But once I had it, the drive was gone. There was suddenly no sense of urgency so I was now out there to enjoy the experience. If you win, wonderful. But at the end of the day, you want to laugh with the other team, umpires, and even the concession people. Enjoy the ride and understand how fortunate you are to still be able to play our great game."

Note: All 35+ and 45+ Mountain teams will play under MSBL WS American division ex-professional rules for this week's tournament.



	35+ Mountain Division	W	L	Т	Pts	RA	Win %
1	Lakeville Lobos	1	0	1	3	5	500
2	Oklahoma Biscuits	1	0	1	3	12	500
3	Minnesota Mammoth	1	1	0	2	11	500
4	Yanese Bandits	1	1	0	2	21	500
5	Utah Dodgers	0	2	0	0	18	0
	35+ Cactus Division 1	W	L	Т	Pts	RA	Win %
1	Utah Blues	2	0	0	4	5	1000
2	California Dirtbags	2	0	0	4	8	1000
3	Tucson White Sox	2	0	0	4	9	1000
4	Connecticut Navigators	2	0	0	4	15	1000
5	Minnoka Grays	1	1	0	2	15	500
6	Ohio / California Reds	1	1	0	2	15	500
7	San Diego North Co Brewers	0	2	0	0	11	0
8	Arizona Naturals	0	2	0	0	34	0
9	Chicago Cyclones	0	2	0	0	15	0
10	San Antonio Bombers	0	0	0	0	0	0
	35+ Cactus Division 2	W	L	Т	Pts	RA	Win %
1	Tucson Tribe	2	0	0	4	2	1000
2	Kansas City Astros	2	0	0	4	4	1000
3	Redwood Empire Blue Jays	2	0	0	4	11	1000
4	Seattle Ravens	1	0	1	3	5	500
5	Long Island Twins	1	0	1	3	12	500
6	East Bay Jaxx	0	2	0	0	34	0
7	Minnesota Bruins	0	2	0	0	17	0
8	Ireland Buccaneers	0	2	0	0	39	0
9	Nuevo Mexico Conquistaores	0	2	0	0	22	0



35+ Mountain Utah Dodgers batter, **Garrett Chatwin** drills this pitch down the left field line for a stand up double on Tempe 2.



60+ Cactus So Cal Angels pitcher, **Mike Learakos** gets ready to deliver a knuckleball to the plate in his teams game with the Cubs.



60+ Cactus Chicago Maxx Cubs pitcher, **Danny Kraiss** delivers a pitch to the plate during his teams 15-0 victory over So Cal Angels.



60+ Desert LA Sharks batter, **Gary Nash** delivers a crucial hit in their 6-4 victory over the Mudville 9. Photo courtesy of Joe Doherty



25+ Central Division Champions - Roseland Warriors at Tempe Diablo stadium after the game.



60+ Desert LA Sharks pitcher, **John Larson** pitches a complete game
against the Mudville 9 on Monday.
Photo courtesy of Joe Doherty