

DAILY NEWS



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MSBL Stadium PA Announcer Mike Gulatto Celebrates 30 Years with MSBL

By Mike Gulatto & Steve Lamontia

In my 30 years, I have announced at the following stadiums: Packard Stadium (ASU), Phoenix Municipal Stadium, Scottsdale Stadium, Sloan Park, Maryvale Stadium, Ho Ho Kam Stadium, and Tempe Diablo Stadium. I'll never forget announcing the morning games at Phoenix Muni. The Stadium is very close to the Phoenix Zoo so you could hear the monkeys squeaking and other animal noises during the MSBL game. That's some cool background noise for baseball. Lol! My love and passion for baseball runs deep as my career job is an online baseball card memorabilia business I started in November, 2001.



I have a B.A. in Broadcasting from ASU.

I also remember announcing as many as four games in one day several times at Packard Stadium. Games were at 8am, noon, 4pm, and 8pm. That's a lot of baseball in one day! But when you love the game of baseball...you can't get enough.

MSBL has allowed me to announce at many different venues throughout the years which gave me the opportunity to have a lot of fun and watch lots of entertaining baseball, but the best thing about MSBL thru the years has been meeting all of the wonderful people involved. From MSBL President Steve Sigler, son Brian, the MSBL staff, the umpires, and all of the MSBL players, it's been a blessing for me to be around such great people who all have one thing in common... their love for the game.

Every year it has been a very positive experience to walk down to each dugout before the game to get team rosters and meet players from all over the world who are excited to be playing baseball regardless if they are 18 or 80 years old. I love seeing the happiness on their faces knowing they are still getting to play the game they have loved for so many years. Being able to announce MSBL games thru the years has given me the opportunity to add something positive to each player's experience during their time in Arizona for the MSBL WS.

I am very grateful (continued on page 2)

OVER And OUT As Our 2023 World Series Concludes



45+ American Division Utah Rockies, defeated the Sacramento Redbirds 5-3 on Saturday morning to capture the championship trophy at Tempe Diablo Stadium.

Week 3 Championship Games Don't Disappoint As Tournament Wraps Up

By Tom Prendergast

The 2023 MSBL WS ended on a high note with eight championship games played. With the temperature in the 80's and not a cloud in the sky, the teams enjoyed Chamber of Commerce type weather. The results were a mixed bag, 5 out of the 8 games were close (3 of the games were nail biters), but all of them were competitive and typical MSBL games. Great comradery with high fives, hugs and fist bumps. Yesterday was a great example of why so many guys keep returning year after year. It's in our blood and the MSBL WS brings out our best!

45+ American Championship		60+ National Championship	
Utah Rockies	5	Envision NW Emeralds	5
Sacramento Redbirds	3	Boston Wolfpack	4
45+ Cactus Championship		60+ Mountain Championship	
So Cal Monarchs	7	Team Victory	10
Colt 45's	6	Chicago MAXX Cubs	4
75+ National Championship		60+ Central Championship	
USA Volkers	14	Mustang Baseball Club	12
Sacramento Solons	11	Sonoma County Cardinals	1
75+ American Championship		60+ Desert Championship	
Mudville 9	5	Red Deer Legends	17
Team Cambria	4	Racine Blues	2

WS Team Managers

A great big shout out to the guys that spend countless hours putting their teams together. Thank you and another job well done this year!



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to be involved with the MSBL World Series for three decades! After this week, I will have announced 25 MSBL games this year. I have announced anywhere from 25 to 40 every year for the last 30 years depending on field availability and rain outs. My other announcing experience includes five years doing P.A. for MLB's Arizona Fall League, two years doing P.A. in Spring Training in Peoria, AZ, for the Padres and Mariners, and one year doing play-by-play for a Minor League team in Pueblo, Colorado.

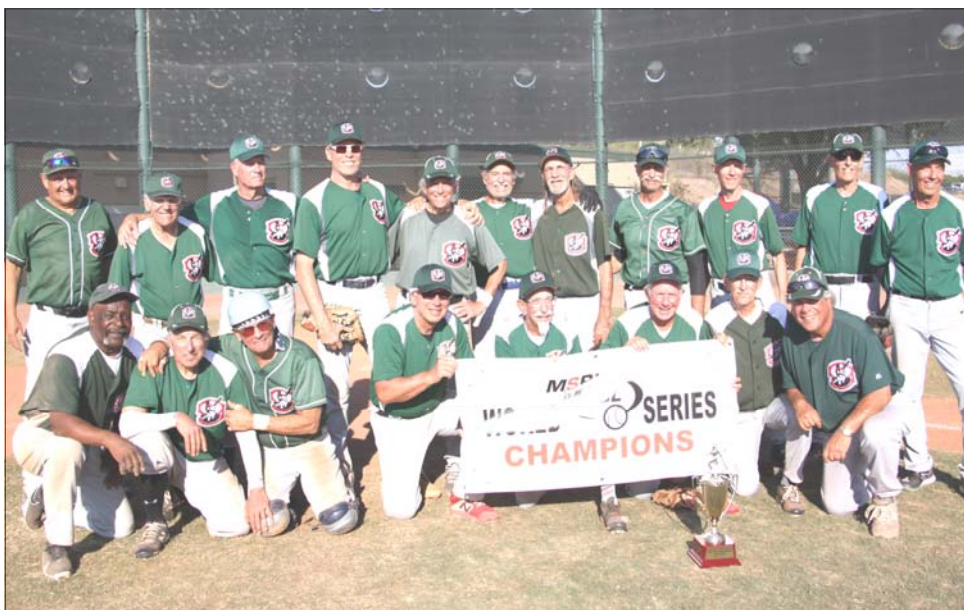
I am a die-hard Chicago Cubs fan. My greatest baseball thrill was seeing the Cubs finally win the World Series in 2016. My favorite players are Ryne Sandberg, Greg Maddux, Ben Zobrist, Paul Molitor, and George Brett. I grew up in Rockford, Illinois, home of the Women's Professional baseball team the Rockford Peaches as seen in the movie, "A League of Their Own." I went to see many, many games at Wrigley Field, Comiskey Park, and Milwaukee's County Stadium. The greatest sporting event I attended was game five of the 1982 World Series in Milwaukee.

Editors note: Mike congratulations on your 30 years as an announcer for us. You do a terrific job and really add an element of excitement to our stadium games! TP

60+ National Champions - Envision NW Emeralds



75+ American Champions - Mudville 9



60+ Mountain Champions - Team Victory



2024 MSBL World Series Dates

Week # 1

50+ Divisions	Sun - Fri	October 13th - 18th	6 games
70+ Divisions	Sun - Sat	October 13th - 19th	5 games
45+ Divisions	Mon - Sat	October 14th - 19th	6 games
25+ Divisions	Wed - Sun	October 16th - 20th	5 games

Week # 2

55+ Divisions	Sat - Thur	October 19th - 24th	6 games
65+ Divisions	Sat - Fri	October 19th - 25th	5 games
35+ Divisions	Mon - Sat	October 21st - 26th	6 games
73+ Divisions	Mon - Sun	October 21st - 27th	5 games
Father / Son	Thur - Sun	October 24th - 27th	4 games

Week # 3

75+ Divisions	Sun - Sat	October 27th - Nov 2nd	5 games
40+ Divisions	Mon - Sat	October 28th - Nov 2nd	6 games
60+ Divisions	Mon - Sat	October 28th - Nov 2nd	6 games

60+ Desert Champions - Red Deer Legends



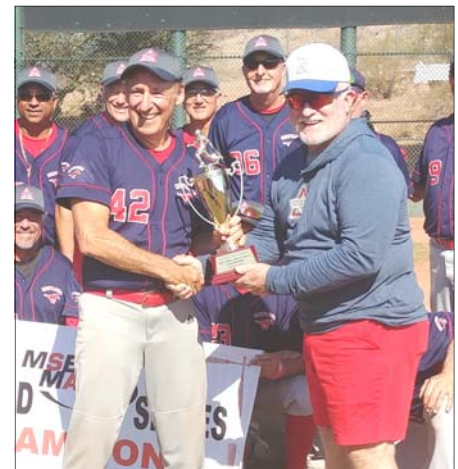
45+ Cactus Champions - So Cal Monarchs



MSBL Hall of Fame member (& Tempe Diablo stadium announcer, **Mark Gallo** behind the microphone on Saturday.



60+ Cactus Champions - Mustang Baseball Club



60+ Desert Division Red Deer Legends manager, **Craig Cory** receives his teams championship trophy from WS staff member, **Mike Holmes** on Saturday.

75+ National Champions - USA Volkers



45+ American Utah Rockies manager, **Mike Moore**, receives his teams championship trophy from **Sam Kayea**.



75+ American Division Mudville 9 pitcher, **Les Riell** was the unanimous MVP - as he won 3 of his teams games this week.



60+ Envision NW Emeralds batter/runner, **Alfred Alonzo** beats out this infield single as Wolfpack 1st baseman, **Mike Kalfopoulos** waits for the ball



MSBL World Series staff members, **Marvin Feldman** (left) and **Mike Holmes** (right) kept the tournament running smooth all three weeks.



60+ National championship game plate meeting included four 4 (would be) Division 1, college umpires. Boston Wolfpack vs Envision