

**Metro Detroit
Amateur Softball Association
Hall of Fame and Honor
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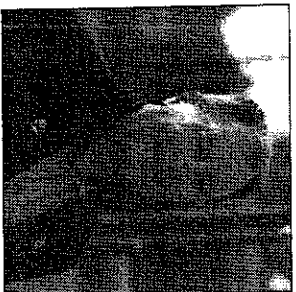
"The history of sports has been marked by the occasional appearance of an athlete who seems to have been touched by a magical hand, whose extraordinary skills are embellished by an intangible spark of greatness, an athlete who seems destined to leave an indelible stamp on his or her chosen avocation. Greatness assumes many shapes and forms, like subtle colors blending into a deep blue hue, but in any form, greatness separates the legends from the mere mortals in the arena of sports. Proficiency and skill can be honed by practice and dedication but the really outstanding athletes, the Hall of Famers, come to the arena with greatness already programmed into their personalities. The purpose of the Metro Detroit Amateur Softball Association Hall of Fame and Honor is to recognize and honor those metro Detroit men and women who have played so brilliantly and competed so well during their careers, managed, umpired, sponsored, or provided that special touch to the game of softball, and who at the same time have contributed to the development and growth of their sport."

Categories are as follows:

Player, Umpire, Manager, Sponsor, Commissioner, Meritorious Service

**Special Recognition Award – 2002
Carol Hutchins, University of Michigan
Softball Head Coach**

Carol Hutchins has been affiliated with Michigan softball since 1983 when she joined the staff as an assistant. She was promoted into the head coaching position in 1985. During her 17 years as head coach, Hutchins has claimed eight of the last 11 Big Ten regular-season championship and earned trips to 10 NCAA National Championship Tournaments; and has advanced to the College World Series eight times. Before becoming Michigan's third softball coach, Hutchins spent one year as the head coach at Ferris State University (1982), an assistant coach at both Indiana (1981) and Michigan (1983-84). Under Carol Hutchins' guidance, the Michigan softball program has both maintained and exceeded Michigan's tradition of softball success. Through her leadership and guidance, the game of softball continues to grow and prosper in the state of Michigan. **GO BLUE!**



**Mike Deleo
Umpire**

Mike Deleo has climbed the ladder of success throughout his illustrious career as an umpire. His most recent accomplishment came in 2000 when he was appointed to the Amateur Softball Association National Umpire staff as UIC for the Great Lakes Region (8). Prior to being the Regional UIC, Mike was the MDASA UIC for 11 years and served as a deputy UIC for 10 years. Mike has umpired in five ASA National Championships, all in slow pitch and this includes the major and super slow pitch divisions of play.

Mike is a member of the National Indicator Fraternity, the Medals program, and is a certified International Softball Federation umpire in slow pitch and received the Region 08 "Award of Excellence" in 1995. He has provided clinics throughout Region 8 and served as National Championship UIC for 10 nationals. Deleo has also served as assistant UIC and umpire coordinator for several other national championships. While serving as the MDASA UIC, 102 metro umpires were selected to work national championships. Mike was the first MDASA umpire to receive his NIF and ISF certifications. He is the first MDASA umpire to serve as Region 8 Umpire-in-Chief.

Mike has been instrumental in further developing the MDASA umpire program throughout the years making it one of the best in the country.

Scott Grace Sponsor

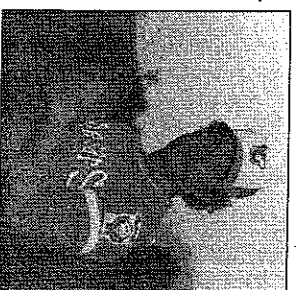


When one thinks of women's fast pitch in the metro Detroit area, there is one name that is synonymous with the game – Daly Restaurant. Scott Grace, owner and sponsor of Daly Restaurant, has been instrumental in building the foundation for women's fast pitch softball in metro Detroit. The Daly Restaurant women's fast pitch team was formed in 1967 and competed for 33 seasons. Sponsored by the Grace family, owners of Daly Restaurant in Livonia, the team was managed by 2002 MDASA Hall of Fame inductee Bob and Sandy Thompson of Westland.

The national renowned team sported a winning percentage of .723 while playing 1196 games (865 wins and 331 losses). Daly Restaurant won the class D state championship in 1975, followed by a runner-up finish in 1977 in class C. They then added a pair of class B state championships in 1981 and 1983. Moving up to the class level soon after, Daly appeared in 13 national championships between 1986 and 1999. Their eight top-five finishes included runner-up four times (1986, 1989, 1995, and 1997). Thirty-one Daly team members earned 53 different ASA All-American honors.

The Daly team also won or shared 15 league titles playing in the Livonia, Waterford and Ann Arbor leagues from 1967-1998. Sponsor Scott Grace of Daly Restaurant is extremely proud of the team's accomplishments throughout the years. Managers Bob and Sandy Thompson are also extremely grateful for the outstanding relationship with their sponsor. It was a natural bond between the managers, players, and sponsor.

Tom Kaminski Slow Pitch Player

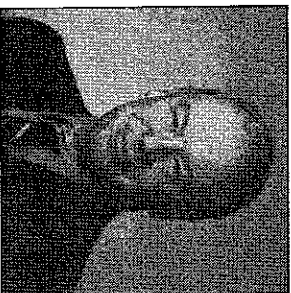


Tom Kaminski was quiet and unassuming but blessed with great talent and a burning desire to excel. He starred in football and baseball for Detroit PSL powerhouse Denby High School, earning All State honors in football and All City in baseball. Following high school, Tom played football for Bill Yeoman at the University of Houston on a scholarship. After a tour in Vietnam with the US Army, Kaminski began his softball career with Dee's Sport's Shop in 1971, and quickly established himself as a premier power hitter in the nationally recognized, Major Metro Travel League from 1972-76 playing for some of Detroit's finest softball clubs including Michael Lounge, Stroh's Brewery, Uniroyal, Miller High Life and Softball City.

In 1977, Kaminski signed a professional contract with Detroit Red Wing and Tiger owner Mike Ilitch. Kaminski joined a talent laden team including ASA Hall of Famers Mike Gouin, Tex Collins, Bert Smith and former Tiger stars Norm Cash and Jim Northup, to bring Ilitch his first ever professional title. Caesars won the APSPL World Series in 4 games and is considered to be one of the best softball teams ever assembled. In 1984, Kaminski began an impressive national title run with the Budweiser team, winning the 35 and over ASA national championship titles in 1985, 1986, and 1987. Kaminski was named All World and tournament batting leader in the 1987 national tournament in Iowa, hitting .850. Kaminski continued winning ASA titles with Nothdurft Tool, winning the national crown in 1988, 89, 90, 92, and 93. TK was named to 6 ASA All American teams in Master's competition including the 1991 Nothdurft Tool 45 & over championship team.

Following his playing days, Kaminski shared his love of softball and knowledge by managing Detroit area teams to national softball titles in 1994 and 1997.

Don Stuckey **Meritorious Service**



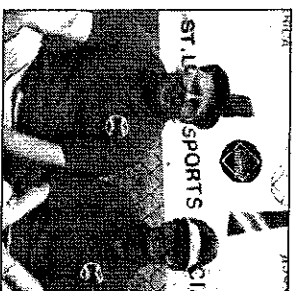
Don Stuckey has been an umpire for 30 years. His association with the ASA began as a player for a Detroit Parks and Recreation slow pitch team, managed by the late and former MDASA commissioner Bill Svochak.

Don began working for the Sterling Umpire Association and later became its secretary. During that time, he joined the MDASA family. Umpire former MDASA Umpire-in-Chief George Gillies and his successor Mike DeLeo, this group became one of the fastest growing regional ASA umpire organizations in the country. The hard work paid off as it strengthened and improved umpire education and training.

Don served as a Deputy UIC for 18 years. As a member of the staff, he continued to work with a quiet demeanor, consistency in preparation, and dedication to its goals. He made presentations, instructed umpires in proper mechanics and techniques at various seminars and camps, and served as a consultant in rule interpretations in individual situations, which arose during the course of each season. He also supervised many ASA tournaments, assigning and evaluating umpires, and resolving any disputes.

Don was born and raised in Detroit, graduated from Detroit Denby High School, and Wayne State University. He has been married for 44 years to his wife, Maxine, and has four sons.

Bob and Sandy Thompson **Managers**



Bob and his wife Sandy became involved in ASA softball in 1960 when Sandy joined a women's fast pitch team. Bob went along to help out and was eventually drafted as their manager. Sponsored by Daly Restaurant of Livonia since 1967, the Daly team worked its way up from class D fast pitch state runner in 1971, to the class D state champion in 1975, a runner-up finish in class C in 1977, and a pair of class B state championships in 1981 and 1983 before jumping to the class A level.

By the time Bob and Sandy retired from softball in 1999, the Daly team had attained an impressive 865-331 record with a winning percentage of .723. They had competed in 13 women's class A fast pitch national championships and garnered four second-place finishes (1986, 89, 95, 97); two third-place finishes (1994, 96); one fourth-place finish (1999); and two fifth-place finishes (1991, 98). The team won three class A Great Lakes regional titles and seven class A national qualifying tournaments, in addition to dozens of invitational tournaments while competing in 85 cities throughout the United States and Canada. Thirty-one Daly players earned 53 national ASA All-American Awards including pitcher Shelley Larned, a MDASA Hall of Famer, received MVP awards at the national tournament in 1986 and 1989.

In addition to the Daly team, Bob and Sandy had a slow pitch team that played in Westland from 1970-75. They captured three league titles and three runner-up finishes compiling a 77-22 record. Bob also coaches a girl's youth team (16-Under) that played in Livonia and participated in some metro tournaments from 1967-71, earning a 38-22 record. Both are truly dedicated to the game of softball.