Hello everyone.

I want to thank all of those who attended the Umpire-in-Chief (UIC) Clinic in Oklahoma City this past month. A big round of applause to Kevin Ryan and his National Umpire Staff and the National Office Staff who worked hard to make this a successful event. The UIC Clinic is a great opportunity to address important topics and provide further education to our umpires, and I hope that our attendees take what they learned and administer it at a local level. We pride ourselves on having the most knowledgeable and professionally trained umpires in the country, and our UIC Clinics and Umpire Schools are a great way to further your skills.

A hot topic that was discussed at the Clinic was the ever-growing need to grow with technology trends. The idea of using social media, smart phones and tablets might be intimidating, however these are all items that can greatly benefit your leagues and members. I strongly encourage those who are not using technology to better their association to do so.

In closing, thank you to all of those who help make ASA successful. Best of luck to those who will begin their seasons this month!
Hello and welcome to the February 2013 issue of The Inside Pitch, the official newsletter of the Amateur Softball Association of America (ASA) and USA Softball.

We are only a few weeks away from the official kick-off of events here at the ASA Hall of Fame Stadium. We have a calendar full of events for all ages, ranging from Junior Olympic (JO) qualifiers to the World Cup of Softball and Border Battle V. We hope that you'll be able to join us at the Stadium to enjoy the country and world's best softball.

Oklahoma City recently welcomed over 450 umpires for the 23rd Biennial Umpire-in-Chief Clinic, and it was a great opportunity for me to meet the attendees and discuss the hot topics within the umpire community. A big focus at the Clinic was “Recruit, Train... Retain.” It’s important to not only go out and find new umpires within your local associations, but to retain and train those new recruits. You can do this in a variety of ways: create a website or social media site, host an umpire school, advertise, etc...You can visit the UIC Clinic website for more information on how you can continue the ASA umpire program’s success.

Remember, if you would like to have a news item or photo included in the next issue, email it to me at cwarren@softball.org.

Talk to you next month!

To celebrate 80 years, ASA/USA Softball will feature a monthly segment in The Inside Pitch in which we give eight fun facts that you may or may not have known about our association. Do you have any interesting stories or moments from ASA’s history? Send them to Codi Warren, and you could be featured in the next issue of The Inside Pitch!

1. The double-elimination system was introduced in 1942 due to war-time restrictions on travel, which prompted a small field of competitors.
2. ASA adopted standard umpire uniforms in 1950.
3. Slow pitch softball was added to the National Championship program in 1953.
4. In 1967, the National Umpire Staff was founded.
5. The first instructional umpire film was produced in 1966.
6. 1957 marked the first year that a full-scale youth program was adopted.
7. Oklahoma City was named the National Headquarters for ASA in 1965.
8. 1982 was the first year that ASA’s youth program was designated at the Junior Olympic (JO) program.
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Designed using feedback from the ASA community and ASA Umpires, the new mobile rules app provides a searchable engine of the 2013 version of the Official Rules of Softball. Also listed are common key words found in the rulebook to serve as a guide to the user to search the necessary rule or rule reference.

In addition the rules app, the m.asasoftball.com site provides users with easy to access ASA tournament listings, ASA Certified Equipment, top headlines, local association contacts, and an event listing for the ASA Hall of Fame Complex.

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ASA/USA Softball at work around the country

February was a busy month for ASA/USA Softball! Check out some photos of ASA members in action!

The Arizona ASA held an Umpire Clinic in Yuma February 23-24.

Missouri UIC, Jack Walker, reviews ASA Rule and Code Changes at the Missouri ASA State Convention February 16.

Paul Tomazolli, Region 10 UIC, covers Rule Changes at an Indiana ASA State Umpire Clinic in Logansport on Feb. 24.

Bob Trower and Homer Griffith coordinating “Softball Jeopardy” during the St. Louis Metro Softball Umpire Association Clinic that was held Feb. 16-17.

So Cal ASA - The El Segundo Girls Softball League kicked off on Feb. 22.

The Florida ASA hosted the ASA Spring Fling Tournament Feb. 22-24 in Plant City, Fla.
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The Georgia ASA recently held an Umpire Development School (North) for both fast and slow pitch on February 16 in Cumming, Ga. Check out some of the photos below! For more information on Umpire Schools with the Georgia ASA, please visit GeorgiaASA.com.

School instructor Lee Gray demonstrates the proper plate stance in slow pitch.

School instructor Matt Aycock speaks to a group of students at the Georgia ASA Umpire School.

Georgia ASA Umpire Training Coordinator Jim Hiett helps work with a fast pitch umpire to see the differences between a ball and strike on the outside corner of the plate.

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"Watch List" unveiled for 2013 USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year

Oklahoma senior Keilani Ricketts (San Jose, Calif.), the 2012 USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year, and 49 other student-athletes have been selected for the "Watch List" for the 2013 USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year award. Now in its 12th year, the USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year award is designed to recognize outstanding athletic achievement by female collegiate softball players across the country.


The pre-season "Watch List" includes 27 seniors, 15 juniors and eight sophomores, with freshman ineligible for consideration. (Freshman can be considered for the USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year award once they have competed at the collegiate level.) Athletes named to the "Watch List" represent 34 NCAA Division I universities and 12 athletic conferences. While Tennessee leads the way among universities with four athlete representatives, the Pacific-12 (Pac-12) Conference and the Southeastern (SEC) Conference each have eight member schools represented.

The Top 25 Finalists for the 2013 USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year award will be announced April 10. While an athlete does not have to be on the "Watch List" to be considered for the Top 25, the eventual USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year will come from the Top 25 Finalists. The Top 10 Finalists will be announced May 8 and the Top 3 Finalists will be announced May 22. On May 28 prior to the start of the 2013 NCAA Women's College World Series (WCWS) in Oklahoma City, the 2013 USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year will be revealed.

2013 USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year Watch List

Emily Allard (Northwestern) – Senior – UT – Antioch, Calif.
Cassidy Bell (Penn State) – Senior – OF – Bakersfield, Calif.
Amy Buntin (Notre Dame) – Senior – C – Franklin, Tenn.
Whitney Canion (Baylor) – RS Junior – P – Aledo, Texas
Lauren Chamberlain (Oklahoma) – Soph. – IF – Trabuco Canyon, Calif.
J.C. Clayton (BYU) – Senior – IF – Hollister, Calif.
Mel Dumezich (Texas A&M) – Senior – P/IF – Whiting, Ind.
Rachele Fico (LSU) – Senior – P – Oxford, Conn.
Amber Freeman (Arizona State) – Soph. – C – Lakewood, Calif.
Olivia Galati (Hofstra) – Senior – P/DP – West Babylon, N.Y.
Teagan Gerhart (Stanford) – Senior – P – Norco, Calif.
Lauren Gibson (Tennessee) – Senior – IF – Pasadena, Md.
Jolene Henderson (Cal) – Senior – P/1B – Elk Grove, Calif.
Taylor Hoagland (Texas) – Senior – OF/3B – Flower Mound, Texas
Kylene Hopkins (Michigan State) – Senior – OF – Menifee, Calif.
Jessica Iwata (Hawaii) – Senior – SSS – Lihu’e, Hawaii
Stephany LaRosa (UCLA) – Soph. – IF – Diamond Bar, Calif.
Blaire Luna (Texas) – Senior – P – Austin, Texas
Hayley Miles (San Diego State) – Junior – UT – Antelope, Calif.
Jessica Moore (Oregon) – Senior – P – Sutter, Calif.
Nerissa Myers (Louisiana-Lafayette) – Senior – IF – Petal, Miss.
Sara Nevins (South Florida) – Junior – P – Pinellas Park, Fla.
Haley Oulton (Houston) – Junior – C – Pflugerville, Texas
Samantha Pappas (Oregon) – Senior – OF – Mission Viejo, Calif.
Keilani Ricketts (Oklahoma) – Senior – P – San Jose, Calif.
Hannah Rogers (Florida) – Junior – P – Lake Wales, Fla.
Jessica Shults (Oklahoma) – Senior – C – Valencia, Calif.
Tess Sito (Georgia) – Senior – P/UT – Elyria, Ohio
Chelsee Thomas (Missouri) – Senior – P – Pleasantville, Iowa
Kirsten Verdun (DePaul) – Junior – P/1B – Coal City, Ill.
Haylie Wagner (Michigan) – Soph. – P – Orange, Calif.
Devon Wallace (Arkansas) – Soph. – UT – Double Oak, Texas
Hannah Winter (Stanford) – Sophomore – IF – Camarillo, Calif.

In addition to bestowing the USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year award, ASA/USA Softball is now in its 11th season of presenting the ESPN.com/USA Softball Collegiate Top 25 Poll and the USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Week, which are announced Tuesdays during the regular season. The pre-season ESPN.com/USA Softball Collegiate Top 25 Poll was released Jan. 29 with Alabama, Oklahoma, California, Arizona State and Tennessee taking the Top 5 spots. The final poll of the 2013 season will be released on June 11 following the WCWS.
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ASA/USA Softball seeks Hall of Fame Complex Turf Manager position

ASA/USA Softball is now seeking applicants for the position of ASA Hall of Fame Complex Turf Manager. The individual’s primary responsibility will be working with the ASA Hall of Fame Complex’s four fields and the complex’s common grass areas in Oklahoma City.

Interested applicants should include a resume and a cover letter explaining why they wish to fill the position. Applicants will be screened and a select number will be invited to interview in Oklahoma City in mid-March. The successful candidate will be brought on board as soon as possible but no later than March 29.

Applications for the ASA Hall of Fame Complex Turf Manager Position will be accepted until **March 8**. Applications should be emailed or mailed to the following address:

ASA National Office
c/o Chris Sebren, ASA Complex Turf Manager
2801 NE 50th Street
Oklahoma City, OK 73111
[csebren@softball.org](mailto:csebren@softball.org)

**Duties and Responsibilities:**
1. Duties for this position include, but are not limited to, skin maintenance, clay repair on plates and mounds, painting, chalking, mowing, edging, irrigation work, aerating, topdressing, setting up and breaking down temporary fence, equipment repair and maintenance and all other jobs given.
2. Develops programming and plans for field maintenance according to Department and staff required standards.
3. Coordinates and performs work to ensure upkeep and maintenance of all fields for continuous use.
4. Cooperates and communicates with necessary staff members in providing safe, clean and well maintained fields for general use and scheduled events.
5. Must be willing to work extended hours, weekends, and holidays during the season.
6. Manages up to fifteen (15) seasonal maintenance employees. Responsibilities include interviewing, training, planning, assigning, appraising performance, and resolving problems.

**Required or Desired Skills:**
1. Advanced knowledge of agronomy and environmental turf grass management practices including pest/disease/weed management; an understanding of soil chemistry; a working knowledge of sports field
2. construction, principles, practices and methods; and a thorough understanding of softball requirements for field layout and marking
3. A high degree of administrative and executive ability, especially in terms of problem solving and decision making
4. Excellent oral and written communication skills
5. Knowledge of current federal, state and local laws and regulations affecting the management and operations of sports fields and facilities (including, but not limited to employment, safety and environmental standards, laws and regulations)
6. Participation in continuing education opportunities such as seminars, workshops, web based training courses, field days and trade shows
7. Current state certifications and licenses as a pesticide applicator.

The pay range for this position is $37,000 – $44,000. The statements herein are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by people assigned to this classification. They are not intended to be construed as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties and skills required of personnel so classified.
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Missouri ASA State Convention

The Missouri ASA recently held it’s 28th Annual State Convention at the Lakewood Resort in Osage Beach. The Convention concluded Saturday, February 16 with the 27th Annual Awards Banquet with Missouri ASA Vice President Mark Nelson presiding.

Award recipients (L to R): Dean Homan (Sedalia) - Hall of Blue; Ken Kwantes (Rolla Parks and Recreation) - Sponsor of the Year; Rich Mauzey (St. Joseph) - Hall of Blue; Lloyd Duke (St. Joseph) - Hall of Fame; Stacey Mahaney (Key Sport Shop) - Sponsor of the Year; Jimmy O’Donnell, for father James O’Donnell, deceased (Hannibal) - Hall of Fame.

Men’s fast pitch will return to Pan American Games in 2015

In a meeting last week in Jamaica, the Pan American Sports Organization (PASO) approved the reinstatement of Men’s Fastpitch to the Pan American Games to be played in Toronto, Canada in July 2015. With this reinstatement, Men’s Fastpitch will return to the Pan American Games for the first time since 2003 when the games were held in San Domingo, Dominican Republic.

“This announcement is a victory for the entire softball community,” said ASA/USA Softball Executive Director Ron Radigonda. “Men’s Fastpitch is a tremendous game and much credit goes to the Toronto Organizing Committee as well as Softball Canada as they have worked diligently to have Men’s Fastpitch reinstated to the Pan American Games since they were awarded the right to host the event.”

The USA Men’s Fastpitch National Team has been quite consistent in their seven trips to the Pan American Games dating back to their first appearance in 1979. In all seven appearances, Team USA found themselves on the losing side of a championships matchup with the Canadian National Team.

Despite never capturing Gold, the USA Men have compiled an overall record of 61-16 for a winning percentage of .792, with 15 of the 16 losses coming to Canada.

The USA Men’s National Team is slated to compete in next month’s International Softball Federation (ISF) World Championship in Auckland, New Zealand. They will open pool play against defending champion Australia on March 1. Follow all of the National Team’s games in the ISF World Championship at www.USAsoftball.com.
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ASA honors umpires at 23rd Biennial Umpire-in-Chief Clinic

Over 60 umpires were honored February 9, bringing the 23rd Biennial Umpire-in-Chief (UIC) Clinic, held at the Biltmore Hotel in Oklahoma City, to an end. With over 450 umpires in attendance at the Saturday evening banquet, the ASA Umpire family gathered to recognize years of service, awards of excellence as well as the Merle O. Butler National Award of Excellence. ASA/USA Softball also honored members of the National Umpire Staff who retired since the last UIC Clinic, which was held in 2011.

The evening was highlighted by the 15 Regional Awards of Excellence and the Merle O. Butler National Award of Excellence that was given to Wayne Vaught (Yukon, Okla.) who was honored for his time and service as the UIC and Umpire Coordinator for events at the ASA Hall of Fame Complex. Dick Gayler (Kennesaw, Ga.), Mark Ingrao (Falls Church, Va.), Walt Sparks (San Antonio, Texas) and the late Max Wilkes were also recognized for their retirement from the National Umpire Staff.

The following individuals received Awards of Excellence for their respective regions:
- Region 1 New England – Norm Davis (Auburn, Maine)
- Region 2 Mid Atlantic – Jim Peters (Linden, N.J.)
- Region 3 Central Atlantic – Mark Ingrao (Falls Church, Va.)
- Region 4 South Atlantic – Ed Rowe (Chattanooga, Tenn.)
- Region 5 Southern – Annette Pevy (Tallahassee, Fla.)
- Region 6 Southwestern – Dennis Wanzer (Enid, Okla.)
- Region 7 Texas – Danny Bowman (Lone Oak, Texas)
- Region 8 Great Lakes – Jim Mitchell (New Richmond, Wis.)
- Region 9 East Central – Tim Klemm (Harrison, Ohio)
- Region 10 Mid West – John Smart (Hardsinsburg, Ky.)
- Region 11 Northern – Keith Cook (Little Canada, Minn.)
- Region 12 Mid America – Greg Pohl (St. Louis, Mo.)
- Region 13 Rocky Mountain – Ralph Anderson (West Point, Utah)
- Region 14 Pacific Coast – Chris Drumm (Oceanside, Calif.)
- Region 15 Northwest – Jack Eppeley (Anchorage, Alaska)

The following individuals were recognized for their years of service:
- Kayleen Dunson 5 years – Seattle ASA
- Jeff Rice 10 years – Colorado ASA
- Ralph Anderson 15 years – Utah ASA
- Stan Finch 15 years – Hawaii ASA
- Steve Zawierucha 15 years – Maryland-DC ASA
- Mike Graber 20 years – Alaska ASA
- Mike Terlecky 20 years – Buffalo ASA
- Steve Huskins 20 years – Piedmont ASA
- Chad Mitchell 20 years – Wisconsin ASA
- Jack Mettler 25 years – Central California ASA
- Bill Gubel 25 years – Sacramento ASA
- Warren Collatt 25 years – Minnesota ASA
- Jack Walker 25 years – Missouri ASA
- Greg Pohl 25 years – St. Louis ASA
- Kathy Zifchock 25 years – New York ASA
- David Anderson 25 years – Oklahoma ASA
- Ed Rowe 25 years – Tennessee ASA

Steve Riswold 25 years – South Dakota ASA
Chuck Louie 30 years – San Francisco ASA
Tony Roberto 30 years – Connecticut ASA
Bobbie Seals 30 years – Nebraska ASA
Glenn Colburn 30 years – New Hampshire ASA
Newton Buckner 30 years – Southern New York ASA
Don Alexander 30 years – Oregon ASA
Terry Ryan 30 years – Memphis ASA
Ron Selph 30 years – Fort Worth ASA
Mike Bozeman 35 years – Alabama ASA
Wally Latall 35 years – Arizona ASA
Jill Suico 35 years – Oakland ASA
John Orlowski 35 years – Kansas City ASA
Johnny Campbell 35 years – New Mexico ASA
Mike Wolf 35 years – North Dakota ASA
Joe McGeever 35 years – Philadelphia ASA
Charlie Moss 35 years – Central Virginia ASA
Jerry Williams 35 years – West Virginia ASA
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Jim Craig 35 years – Buffalo ASA
Jerry Stewart 40 years – Mississippi ASA
Jim Peters 40 years – New Jersey ASA
Gene Harrison 40 years – Oklahoma ASA
Dave Epperson 40 years – Kansas ASA
Jerry Fick 45 years – Cincinnati ASA
Dave Maudsley 45 years – Sacramento ASA
Walt Sparks 55 years – San Antonio ASA
Ike Wheeler 60 years – Louisiana ASA

The following individuals were recognized for attending all 23 UIC Clinics:
- Les Novak- St. Louis Park, Minn.
- Kinard Latham- Columbus, Ga.
- Henry Pollard- Richmond, Va.
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Spring Community Grant Opens March 1!

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ASA Softball’s very own Texas Vipers99 won during the Fall Grant period. The Vipers99 team planned to use the community grant money to attend the annual Colorado Sparkler Showcase tournament.

This is a great opportunity for your organization to earn money. You can use it to purchase equipment, fix up fields, travel funds, player scholarship – whatever you may need!

Register your team today and you could be like the Vipers99 team and earn a $2,500 grant!

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Artifact of the Month!

Since softball has such a rich and vast history, we want to share with you some of the amazing artifacts we have deep within our collections. Stay tuned every month for a glimpse into our archives!

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ACE Coach Certification awards program continues

The ACE Coach Certification awards program continues as Warren Painter (Antioch, Calif.) was named the 1,000th certified ACE (Achieve, Certify, Educate) Coach and Robert Edmonds (Ossineke, Mich.) the 1,001st certified ACE Coach of the 2013 season. For a second-consecutive year, ASA/USA Softball has teamed up with sponsors Pocket Radar™ and Powerchalk™ to provide coaches like Painter and Edmonds with a prize pack. Every time the ACE Program reaches an odd-numbered 1,000th milestone, ASA/USA Softball will award that coach with a Pocket Radar ($200 value) and the next coach with a custom Powerchalk account ($100 value).

Painter, a coach in the Oakland ASA, grew up playing softball and eventually made the transition to coaching once his children took an interest in sports.

“The ACE program has taught me a lot in the short time I have been a member,” said Painter. “The Liberty Mutual Responsible Coaching approach has helped me in a lot of ways, particularly the ELM (Effort, Learning and Mistakes) method. The girls have to know that mistakes make us better, not just in softball but in life as well. The level of competition that ASA Softball provides makes our team and myself as a coach step up our game. You know that every time you step on the field, you are playing against elite level talent. This year, our team goal is to qualify for the ASA National Championship that will be held in Medford, Ore. this summer, while my personal goal is to continue to develop these young girls and help them play to the best of their ability in a positive, fun and aggressive style of play.”

Edmonds, a coach with the Michigan ASA, started out as a coach for his daughter’s local recreational softball league.

“There are numerous benefits of the ACE program,” said Edmonds. “The background checks provide our players with safety and give our parents comfort, while the ideas and tips that are provided by the Responsible Sports program help us coaches conduct a more organized and professional sports program. This year, our goal is to bring our level of play up and work together as a unit. My personal goal is to give each player the opportunity to excel and grow in softball through better instruction and to build good memories and have fun.”

This marks the second season that ASA/USA Softball has teamed up with Pocket Radar™ and Powerchalk™ to award the ACE Coaches. In 2012, 44 coaches were recipients of either a complimentary Pocket Radar or custom Powerchalk account.

Revisit the Missouri/Illinois Junior Olympic All-Star Game

Last July 11, Saint Louis University was the host of the ASA Junior Olympic (JO) Illinois vs. Missouri All-Star Game. Over 60 JO athletes participated in the event, with two divisions of play: a sophomore/junior All-Star squad and a senior All-Star squad. First up was the Missouri vs. Illinois sophomore/junior All-Star game, with the Missouri All-Star underclassman trumping the Ilinios All-Stars 7-2. The senior All-Star matchup ended with a 3-3 tie.

The rosters for the two games are:

**Team Missouri (seniors):** Kindra Henze, P, Palmyra; Sarah Williams, P, Timberland; Brianna Lore, P, Sullivan; Ellie Huffman, C, Westminster; Morgan Baer, C, Perryville; Whitney Richardson, IF, Troy; Brandi Kiel, IF, Howell North; Lauren Gerringer, IF, Zumwalt West; Jessie Wilmes, IF, St. Dominic; Carlyn Vachow, OF, John Burroughs; Emily Crane, OF, Troy; Mikala Torrence, OF, Hillsboro; Sarah Lindsey Heffner, OF, St. Charles West; Brittany Fortner, OF, Northwest and Bryn McKie, OF, Westminster.

**Team Illinois (seniors):** Jacqueline Flood, P, Mt. Vernon; Taylor Barnouski, P, O’Fallon; Lauren Halpin, P, Gillespie; Abbie Cline, C, Gillespie; Payton Anderson, C, Gillespie; Rachel Keller, IF, Civic Memorial; Caitlyn Nappier, IF, Valmeyer; Lauren Marlinghaus, IF, O’Fallon; Allie Hill, IF, Civic Memorial; Katelyn Gibson, OF, Mascoutah; Paige Pluster, OF, Roxana; Megan McNamee, OF, Edwardsville; Rachel Scrum, UT, Collinsville and Kylie Hofstetter, UT, Du Quoin.

**Team Missouri (juniors and sophomores):** Nikki Taylor, P, Zumwalt East; Liz Wiegand, P, Troy; Sheridan Sprague, P, Parkway South; Theresa Decosky, P, Francis Howell; Mollie Carter, P, Festus; Morgan Oliver, C, Troy; Miranda Thompson, C, Marquette; Lex Van Nostrand, C, Palmyra; Ashley Marks, IF, St. Pius; Casey Ward, IF, Orchard Farm; Lexie Thies, IF, Zumwalt North; Katie Hare, IF, Zumwalt West; Lyndsey Dawson, OF, Holt; Aimillia McDonough, OF, Notre Dame; Jamie Fowle, IF, Eureka; Taylor Nadler, OF, Borgia; Morgan Brown, OF, Howell; Alyssa Lilly, OF, Holt and Claire Wernig, OF, Lutheran South.

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A department store display shows the 1941 ASA National Championship trophy.

LEFT: Wilbur Landis (ASA President) presents the 1941 World’s Softball Championship Official Ford Mercury car to M.J. Pauly.

RIGHT: The manager and captain of Tip Top Tailors (Toronto, Canada) present the Friendship and Goodwill Award to ASA President Landis and Michigan Governor Murray D. Van Wagoner on the opening night of the 1941 World’s Championship.

BELOW: The Deep Rock Oilers of Tulsa, Okla., arrive in Chicago prior to winning the 1942 Men’s Fast Pitch National Champions.
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