

SJU'S DIAMOND SPORT



Baseball is the oldest sport at Saint Joseph's, as the first account of any athletic contest by the institution against an outside opponent is of an 1894 game against Roman Catholic High. That game, played in Philadelphia's Fairmount Park, ended in a 25-25 tie.

When official varsity sports were begun at the College in the 1909-10 academic year, baseball was joined by basketball and football as the first offerings. The athletes from that year were the first to be awarded varsity letters at the school.

Shortly thereafter, on April 10, 1912, came the most famous game of the early era of Saint Joseph's baseball. On that day, Saint Joseph's took on the defending world champion Philadelphia Athletics in an exhibition game at Shibe Park just prior to the opening of the A's regular season. Despite facing a star-studded lineup of professionals, including future Hall of Famer Eddie Collins, the collegians prevailed, 8-7.

The early years of Saint Joseph's baseball also produced the program's first-ever major leaguer. Frank (Fritz) Henrich, an outfielder for SJU from 1916-19, played one season with the Philadelphia Phillies in 1924.

The modern era of Hawk baseball began in 1946, when the sport was revived after a 15-year absence on Hawk Hill. Since then, the team has been coached by former big leaguers Pep Young and Al Brancato. Among the other legendary coaches to have led the team were Harry Booth, Marty "Peanuts" Pollock, Barry Kirsch, George Bennett, Chris Loschiavo and Jim Ertel. Hall of Fame basketball coach Jack Ramsay even served as head coach of the Hawk baseball team from 1956-58.

A pair of NCAA Tournament berths and Middle Atlantic Conference pennants in 1971 and 1974 serve as the pinnacle of the modern era. Since joining the Atlantic 10 Conference in 1983, the program has taken on a broadened scope, competing throughout the region and beyond. The team plays a full NCAA Division I schedule against many of the top teams in the country.

In the current era, SJU has produced numerous professional players, including its second major leaguer. In addition to Jamie Moyer (see below), another former Hawk, Gerry Hunsicker, serves as the Senior Vice President of Baseball Operations for the Tampa Bay Rays. Numerous other Hawk alumni have gone on to college and high school coaching careers.



The 1912 Hawks defeated the World Champion Philadelphia A's in an exhibition game at Shibe Park.

JAMIE MOYER



Only one number in the history of Saint Joseph's baseball has been retired, and that is the number 10 of Hawk baseball legend **Jamie Moyer**. Moyer spent three seasons on Hawk Hill from 1982 to 1984 and was drafted by the Chicago Cubs in the sixth round of the 1984 MLB Draft. He will pitch his 24th season in the major leagues in 2009 and his fourth season with his hometown team, the Philadelphia Phillies. The Sellersville, Pa. native was acquired in a trade in August of 2006 and has since become a steady presence both on the mound and in the clubhouse. He was the winning pitcher on the last day of the 2007 season as the Phillies won the National League East and returned to the postseason for the first time in 14 years. Moyer reached the apex of his sport in 2008 as he helped lead the Phillies to just the second World Series championship in franchise history.



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SJU BASEBALL HALL OF FAME

Below is a list of individuals inducted into the Saint Joseph's Baseball Hall of Fame
(Listed by year of induction):

Name	Position	Induction Year	Name	Position	Induction Year
Harry Booth '62	Outfield/Coach	1997	Jerry Benetatos '69	Infield	2002
Dave Landers '71	Outfield	1997	Scott Gilbert '88	Outfield	2002
Jamie Moyer	Pitcher	1997	Bob Polletti '49	Catcher	2002
Al Brancato	Coach	1998	Dave Thornton '79	Pitcher	2002
John DelMonte '79	Outfield	1998	Bill DeAngelis '68	Shortstop	2003
Gerry Hunsicker '72	Pitcher	1998	Ron Obermeier '93	Outfield	2003
John Barth '70	Pitcher	1999	Steve Alemi '77	Shortstop	2004
John Butz '66	Pitcher	1999	Rick Bickhardt '89	Pitcher	2004
Chris Loschiavo '85	Second Base/Coach	1999	Jerry Connors '65	Outfield	2004
Tom Wynne '63	Pitcher/Outfield	1999	Dennis Fabian '68	Outfield	2004
Mike Migliarese '90	Outfield	2000	Chuck Malloy '94	Pitcher	2004
Jim Moran '86	Catcher	2000	Tom McHugh '54	Pitcher	2004
Pep Young	Coach	2000	Ed Dempsey '83	Catcher	2005
Joe Capriotti '90	Pitcher/Outfield	2001	Kevin Quirk '81	Pitcher	2005
Jim Clouser '70	Outfield	2001	John Smithson '68	Pitcher	2005
Don Lamberto '82	Pitcher/Third Base	2001	Kevin Kirkby '01	Pitcher/Infield	2006

HAWKS PICKED BY THE PROS

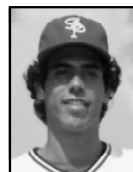
The following Saint Joseph's players were drafted by professional baseball clubs:

YEAR	PLAYER	POS.	RD.	TEAM
1924	Frank (Fritz) Henrich	OF	NA	Philadelphia Phillies
1924	Vince Mallon	1B	FA	Pittsburgh Pirates
1930	Paul Barrett	OF	FA	St. Louis Browns
1956	Jack Gallop	2B	FA	Under research
1965	Jack Cashman	RHP	14	Washington Senators
1967	Joe Grace	3B	24	Kansas City Athletics
1969	* Richard Kelly	2B	4	Philadelphia Phillies
1969	Jim Clouser	OF	43	New York Mets
1970	Dave Landers	OF	37	Chicago Cubs
1971	* Dave Landers	OF	8	Pittsburgh Pirates
1972	Joe Levins	SS	FA	Philadelphia Phillies
1973	Joe Neal	LHP	19	Pittsburgh Pirates
1973	Bill Miller	OF	FA	Pittsburgh Pirates
1977	Tim Brill	C	21	Cleveland Indians
1979	John DelMonte	OF	4	St. Louis Cardinals
1979	David Thornton	RHP	24	San Francisco Giants
1980	Kevin Quirk	RHP	26	New York Yankees
1984	Jamie Moyer	LHP	6	Chicago Cubs
1984	Chris Loschiavo	2B	FA	New York Yankees
1986	Jim Moran	C	19	Toronto Blue Jays
1989	Rick Bickhardt	RHP	45	Texas Rangers
1990	Joe Capriotti	OF	FA	Pittsburgh Pirates
1993	Jason Hamilton	1B	29	Detroit Tigers
1994	Chuck Malloy	RHP	16	Boston Red Sox
1998	Chris Heck	LHP	10	Florida Marlins
2000	Robbie Reed	C	FA	Boston Red Sox
2002	\$ Mike Minerva	RHP	FA	Berkshire Black Bears
2003	Mike Walls	3B	33	Houston Astros
2005	Ryan Stadanlick	RHP	10	Baltimore Orioles
2007	Jason Hessler	RHP	31	Cleveland Indians

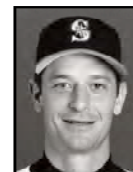
FA-Free Agent signer * -January draft \$-Independent Team



Righthander Jason Hessler '08 was selected by the Cleveland Indians in the 31st Round of the 2007 Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft.



DelMonte



Moyer



Stadanlick